## FILTER CARTRIDGE CHANGE INSTRUCTIONS



- 1. Turn off the water supply to the filter.
- 2. If fitted, depress the pressure relief button to relieve the pressure in the filter housing.
- Unscrew the housing bowl using the bowl spanner originally supplied with your system.NOTE: When opening the filter housing to change the cartridge, it is common for the O-ring to lift out of the housing and stick to the housing lid.
- 4. Remove the used cartridge and discard. Rinse out the housing and fill about 1/3 full with water. Add about 2 to 3 tablespoons of bleach and scrub thoroughly with a brush or sponge. Rinse thoroughly.
- 5. Remove the O-ring from the sump and wipe the groove & O-ring clean. Lubricate the O-ring with a coating of clean petroleum jelly (Vaseline). Place the O-ring back in place and press the O-ring down into the groove with two fingers.

**NOTE:** This step is important to ensure a proper filter seal. Make sure the O-ring is seated level in the groove.

**CAUTION:** If the O-ring appears damaged or crimped it should be replaced at this time. Please consult your supplier.

- Insert the new cartridge into the housing bowl making sure that it slips down over the sump standpipe in the bottom of the housing bowl.
- Screw the bowl onto the housing lid, making sure that the cartridge slips over the lid standpipe. Hand tighten the bowl to the lid - DO NOT OVER TIGHTEN.
- 8. Turn on the water supply slowly to allow the housing to fill with water.
- 9. Depress the pressure release button (if fitted) to release any trapped air from the filter housing.
- 10. Check for leaks before leaving the installation.

WARNING: Do not use with water that is microbiologically unsafe or of unknown quality without adequate disinfection before or after the unit.

NOTE: An activated carbon cartridge (Taste/odour) may contain a small amount of carbon fines (very fine black powder) and a new cartridge, after installation, should be flushed with sufficient water to remove the fines before using the water.

Each time you use water from your filtered water tap for drinking or cooking purposes, it is recommended that you run (flush) the tap at least 10 seconds prior to using the water. This is particularly important if the water tap is not used daily.

NOTE: Certain types of harmless bacteria will attack cellulose material. Cartridges containing cellulose may seem to disintegrate, produce a 'sewer' or 'rotten egg' odour, or form a black precipitate due to the bacteria. If you notice any of the above problems while using the cellulose media cartridge, switch to a synthetic media cartridge or consult your supplier.

NOTE: This replacement cartridge has a limited service life. Changes in taste, colour and flow of the water being filtered are signals that replacement of the cartridge is soon or may be necessary.

CAUTION: The filter must be protected against freezing. Failure to do so may result in cracking of the filter housing and water leakage.

CAUTION: All filtration systems contain other parts that have a limited service life. Exhaustion of the service life of those parts often cannot easily be detected.

Commonly, it is only after leakage has been observed or water damage has occurred that one is made aware that the service life has been exhausted. IMPORTANT NOTE: To prevent costs repairs or possible water damage we strongly recommend that the bowl of all plastic filter housings be replaced periodically: every <u>five</u> years for clear bowls, and every <u>ten</u> years for opaque bowls. If your bowl has been in use for more than the recommended period, it should be replaced immediately. Be sure to date any new or replacement bowl for future reference and indicate the next recommended replacement date.

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