

Cyan Water Softener

Product Manual



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Planning Your Installation

Please observe the regulations concerning the installation of your water softener. For guidance check out the water regulations advisory service web site (www.wras.co.uk). Check that you only have one rising main, that you have allowed space for access to the unit for possible future maintenance and salt replenishment. Check the water pressure; locate the rising main (stop cock), a drain facility and a power supply. Unless you are replacing an existing water softener, this installation will require you to carry out plumbing work and may require an electrical outlet to be fitted near the softener. You should only attempt this if you have the necessary skills.

The softener should be used for treating tap water or other qualified raw water.

Positioning The Softener

Where possible the softener should be placed close to the rising main. Take care to allow hard water take off points for a drinking water facility and /or an outside tap.

The distance between the drain and the softener should be as short as possible. Ensure that both the drain and overflow will not freeze or reach a temperature above 40°C. If putting the softener within a cupboard ensure that the base is adequately supported. If the softener is being installed within your loft etc it is recommended to house the softener within a tank capable of storing at least 100 litres with an overflow fitted. The overflow on the tank should be below the softener overflow and be a minimum of ¾" in size.

Single Check Valve

A suitable check valve should be fitted. This is usually inside the installation kit that can be ordered separately at <https://ultra-soft.co.uk/product/water-softener-installation-kits/>

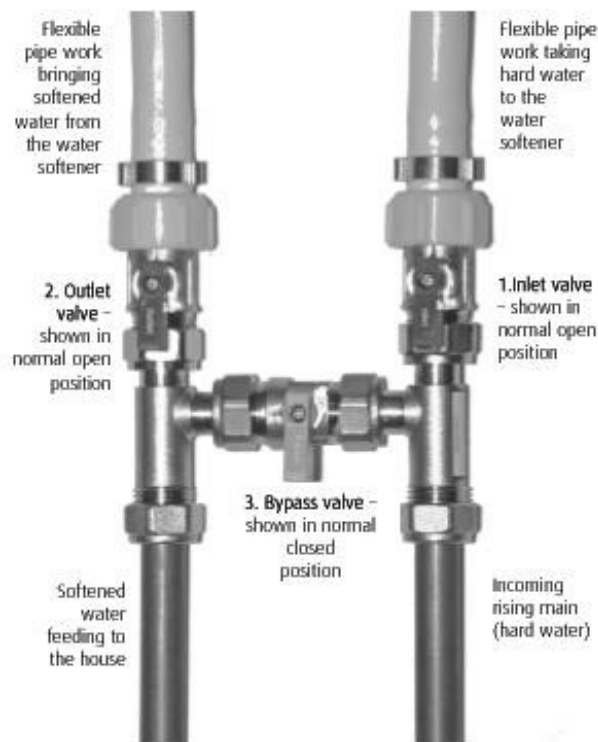
Before you start the installation make sure that you have all the necessary fittings. The purchase of one of our standard installation kits will normally ensure that you have everything that you need for a typical installation.



Water Pressure Test

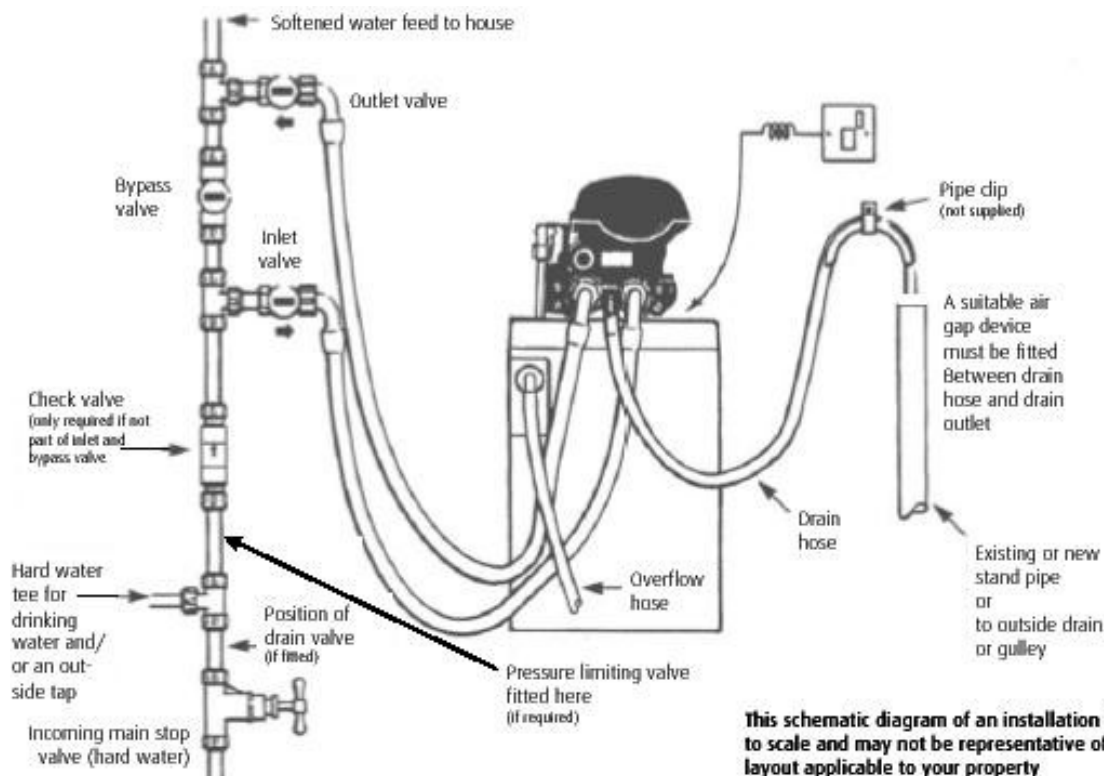
It is important that a pressure test is carried out. High and low water pressure can result in either damage to or failure of the softener. Although the water softener is tested to a pressure of 6 bar (87psi), we recommend the fitting of a pressure limiter should your pressure exceed 4 bar (58 psi).

The minimum working pressure is 1.5 bar (21.7psi).



Starting The Installation

Before starting the installation please ensure the stop cock is in the closed position





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Connecting The Softener

Once you have completed the installation of the valves set the valves as follows:

Softener Inlet And Outlet Valve CLOSED

Bypass Valve OPEN

You can now safely return the stop cock to the open position. Using the hoses provided (if installation kit ordered) connect the straight end of the hose having first inserted the washer provided to the softener inlet and outlet valves.

Connect the angled end to the water softener. The softener inlets and outlets should be indicated either with the words inlet or outlet or with an embossed directional arrow on the softener tails. Normally the softener tails are in a configuration of three with the centre normally being the waste outlet.

Waste Pipe Installation

Connect the waste pipe to the waste outlet on the softener and run the hose to either an up stand or outside drain, a minimum air gap of 20mm must exist at the end of the drain line. Softened water will have no adverse effect on a septic tank. Should you need to extend the drain hose this can be done by connecting to a 15mm copper tube for a maximum run of 8 meters with a minimum daytime pressure of 40 psi. Ensure the drain hose is not kinked or obstructed in any way as this will lead to an overflow of the softener.

The drain pipe can run uphill to a max of 1 meter with a min water pressure of 40 psi

Overflow Connection

The overflow connection is the white ½” hose spigot on the rear or side of the cabinet. The overflow must be run downhill through an outside wall without kinks or restrictions. It is recommended the overflow hose be visible when it exits the outside wall.



Commissioning The Softener

Put approximately 5 litres of water into the brine tank. You may also at this point put a quantity of salt into the tank. Do not allow the salt level in the brine tank to exceed the height of the overflow. You should keep the salt level above the water level and check the salt level on a regular basis until a usage pattern has been established.

Programming The Valve

When the softener is first plugged in the valve type will display (F79) then a few seconds later show the time setting screen. Use the up and down arrows to set the time and then press confirm (all settings except time of day are pre-programmed but should be adjusted where suitable, such as water hardness).

Capacity Settings

The capacity will have a default setting based on 300ppm hardness. If you wish to change this, please follow these instructions. Using the up and down buttons, scroll to 'Advanced Settings' and Press CONFIRM. Scroll down to 'Set Residual Water' and press CONFIRM. This will show you the total amount of treated water the softener can achieve before regeneration. For reference the Cyan has a resin capacity of 12.5 litres.

If you need to change capacity settings, follow this calculation:

$$\text{“Resin Capacity”} \times 50 \div \text{“Water Hardness In PPM”}$$

$$\text{Example } (12.5 \times 50) \div 300 = 2.08\text{m}^3$$

Regeneration

With the softener fully plumbed in and the valve programmed, final commissioning can now start. When the softener is fully functional the regeneration will happen at the pre-set time (see programming the valve in case of memory loss section below).

To initiate an immediate regeneration press and hold the RETURN button until the valve motor starts to turn. If during a regeneration cycle you need to skip through the cycle, this can be done in the following way. To skip to the next stage press the RETURN button and this will take it to the next stage of the regeneration, this can be repeated to get to the end of the regeneration cycle.



Service

Water flows into the valve at the top, down through the resin and then up through the 'riser' tube in the middle of the vessel. As the water travels through the resin the ion exchange takes place. The controllers are set to automatically regenerate on capacity. The display on the control will show the following; In service and the remaining capacity.

Routine Maintenance

To ensure the reliability of your softener it is important to follow routine maintenance steps:

- Check salt level (this may need to be done regularly dependent on consumption)
- The salt level should always be kept above the water level
- Check there is no sign of damage or leaks

Programming The Valve In Case Of Memory Loss

Should the programming have been lost in transit the following instructions in conjunction with the setting sheet will allow you to re set it. When the power has been connected the valve will display the valve model and initialise itself and then display TIME; you can then start to program the valve. Selections are made using the UP and DOWN buttons until the required setting is displayed. After each setting press CONFIRM to continue.

Set Time of Day

If the time of day is not already showing on the screen, press CONFIRM, scroll to 'Set Clock' and press CONFIRM. Adjust the hours and press CONFIRM to adjust the minutes, press CONFIRM to take you back to the menu, then press RETURN to show main display.

Step 1: Cycle Sequence

Press CONFIRM to bring up the menu. Scroll down to 'Advanced Settings' and press CONFIRM. Scroll down to find the following options; Set Backwash Time, Set Brine & Rinse, Set Brine Refill, Set Fast Rinse. Press CONFIRM on the option you would like to change.

Suggested Default Settings: Backwash Time - 3 Mins. Brine Draw & Rinse - 45 Mins, Brine Refill - 1.5/2.5 Mins, Fast Rinse - 4 Mins

You can now change the time on each option by using the up and down arrows to select the minutes and seconds required. Once finished, press RETURN, until the main display shows.



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Step 2: System Setup

Change Override Days (Default 14 Days)

Press CONFIRM to show menu, scroll to 'Advanced Settings' and press CONFIRM. Then scroll down to 'Set Max Days/Rchg' and press CONFIRM. You can now scroll up and down to change the amount of days for the override.

Change Regeneration Time (Default At 2:00am)

Press CONFIRM to show menu, scroll to 'Advanced Settings' and press CONFIRM. Scroll down to 'Set Recharge Time' and press CONFIRM. You can now scroll up and down to change the time your request for the regeneration to be performed.



Troubleshooting

Following the below as a guide you can find the most common problems that may arise; please consult this section before contacting us as most problems are easily cured by following this information.

Problem	Cause	Correction
Softener fails to regenerate	<ul style="list-style-type: none">A. Electrical service to unit has been interruptedB. Regeneration cycles set incorrectlyC. Controller is defectiveD. Motor fails to work	<ul style="list-style-type: none">A. Assure permanent electrical service (Check fuse, plug, pull chain or switch)B. Reset regeneration cyclesC. Replace ControllerD. Replace Motor
Regeneration time is not correct	<ul style="list-style-type: none">A. Time of day is not correct.B. Power failure more than three days	Check program and reset time of day
Softener supplies hard water	<ul style="list-style-type: none">A. Bypass valve is open or leakingB. No salt in brine tankC. Injector pluggedD. Insufficient water flowing into brine tankE. Leak at oring on riserF. Internal valve leakG. Regeneration cycles not correctH. Shortage of resinI. Bad quality of feed water or turbine blockedJ. Adjusting bolt open	<ul style="list-style-type: none">A. Close or repair bypass valveB. Add salt to brine tank and maintain salt level above water levelC. Change or clean injectorD. Check brine tank refill timeE. Make sure riser is not cracked. Check oring and tube pilotF. Change valve bodyG. Set correct regeneration cycles in programH. Add resin to mineral tank and check resin leaksI. Reduce the inlet turbidity, clean or replace turbineJ. Close the adjustment bolt



Softener fails to draw brine	A. Line pressure is too low B. Brine line is plugged C. Brine line is leaking D. Injector is plugged E. Internal control leak F. Drain line is plugged G. Sizes of injector and DLFC do not match with tank	A. Increase line pressure B. Clean brine line C. Replace brine line D. Clean or replace injector E. Replace valve body F. Clean drain line flow control G. Select correct injector and DLFC size
Unit used too much salt	A. Improper salt setting B. Excessive water in brine tank	A. Check salt usage and salt setting B. See excessive water in brine tank
Excessive water in brine tank	A. Overlong refilling time B. Water remaining after brine draw C. Foreign material in brine valve and plug drain line flow control D. Not installed safety brine valve and power failure while salting E. Safety brine valve breakdown	A. Reset correct refilling time B. Check the injector and remove foreign matter from brine pipe C. Clean brine valve and brine line D. Stop water supply and restart program install with safety brine valve in salt tank E. Repair or replace safety brine valve.
Pressure loss or rust in pipe	A. Iron in water supply pipe B. Iron mass in the softener C. Fouled resin bed D. Too much iron in raw water	A. Clean water supply pipe. B. Clean valve and add resin cleaning agent C. Check backwash, brine draw and brine tank refill. Increase frequency of regeneration and backwash time D. Iron removal equipment is required to install before softening
Loss of resin though drain	A. Air in water system B. Bottom screen broken C. Improperly sized DLFC	A. Assure that well system has proper air eliminator control B. Replace new screen C. Check for proper drain rate
Control valve cycles continuously	A. Locating signal wiring breakdown B. Controller is faulty C. Foreign material stuck in driving gear D. Time of regeneration steps set to zero	A. Check and connect locating signal wiring B. Replace controller C. Take out foreign material D. Check program setting and reset
Drain flows continuously	A. Internal valve leak B. Power off when in backwash or fast rinse	A. Check and repair valve body or replace it B. Adjust valve to service position or turn off bypass valve and restart when electricity supply



Interrupted or irregular brine	<ul style="list-style-type: none">A. Water pressure too low or not stableB. Injector is plugged or faultyC. Air in resin tankD. Floccules in resin tank during backwash	<ul style="list-style-type: none">A. Increase water pressureB. Clean or replace injectorC. Check and find reasonD. Clean the floccules in resin tank
Water flow out from drain or brine pipe after regeneration	<ul style="list-style-type: none">A. Foreign material in valve which stops valve closing completelyB. Hard water mixed in valve bodyC. Water pressure too high which results in valve in wrong position	<ul style="list-style-type: none">A. Clean foreign material in valve bodyB. Change valve core or sealing ringC. Reduce water pressure or use pressure relief connector function
Salt water going to service	<ul style="list-style-type: none">A. Foreign material in injector or injector fails to workB. Brine valve cannot be shut-offC. Time of fast rinse too short	<ul style="list-style-type: none">A. Clean and repair injectorB. Repair the brine valve and clean itC. Extend fast rinse time
Circle water treatment capacity decreases	<ul style="list-style-type: none">A. Not regenerating properlyB. Fouled resin bedC. Salt setting not correctD. Softener setting not correctE. Raw water quality deteriorationF. Turbine has stuck	<ul style="list-style-type: none">A. Regenerate according to manualB. Increase backwash flow rate and time, clean or change resinC. Readjust brine draw timeD. According to the test of outlet water, recount and resetE. Regenerate unit manually then reset regen cycleF. Disassemble flow meter and clean or replace turbine