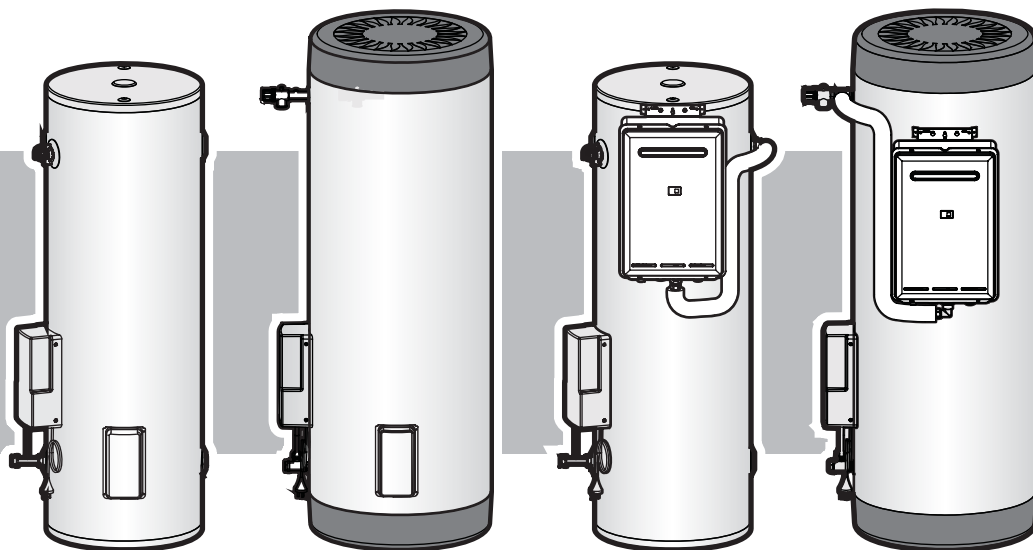
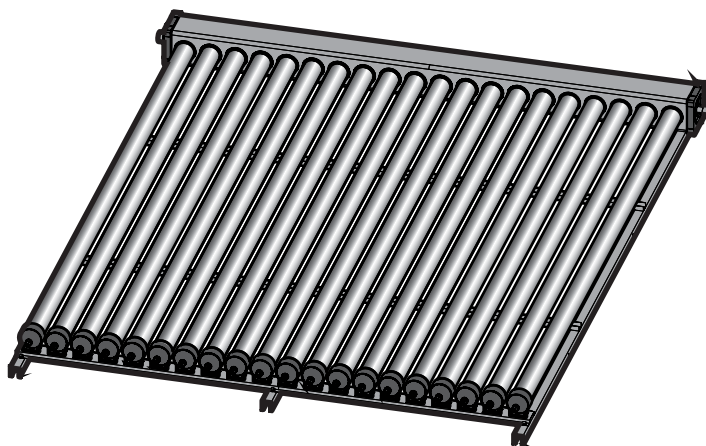


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## Operation Installation Manual Rinnai Evacuated Tube Split Solar Hot Water Systems



This system shall be installed in accordance with:

- Manufacturer's Installation Instructions
- Current AS/NZS 3500
- All applicable local rules and regulations including local OH&S requirements

This system must be installed, commissioned and serviced by an Authorised Person.

The collector flow and return pipework should be 15 mm copper tube or alternative tube supplied by Rinnai. Plastic pipe must not be used as it is not suited to the high water temperatures and pressures that may occur.

Certain systems may require some components to be supplied by the installer

**NOT SUITABLE AS A POOL OR SPA HEATER**



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All Rinnai gas products  
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This manual is applicable to:

- Rinnai 'Prestige' ® Stainless Steel, Split, Evacuated Tube Solar Hot Water Systems;
- Rinnai 'Sunmaster' ® Glass Lined, Split, Evacuated Tube Solar Hot Water Systems; and
- 'Equinox' ® Stainless Steel and Glass Lined, Split, Evacuated Tube Solar Hot Water Systems.

**This manual must be used in place of the split system manual for flat plate collectors that is provided in the pump kit.**

**Please use that the latest version of the warranty booklet and STC form. Older versions may be included in the pump kit**

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# WARNINGS AND IMPORTANT INFORMATION

## SAFETY AND REGULATORY INFORMATION



DO NOT operate this system before reading the manufacturers instructions.

This appliance must be installed, commissioned and serviced by an authorised person in accordance with all applicable local rules and regulations.

Access covers of water heating system components will expose 240V wiring and MUST be removed by an authorised person.

This appliance is not intended for use by persons (including children) with reduced physical, sensory or mental capabilities, or lack of experience and knowledge, unless they have been given supervision or instruction concerning use of the appliance by a person responsible for their safety.

For continued safety of this appliance it must be installed, operated and maintained in accordance with the manufacturer's instructions.

Children should be supervised to ensure they DO NOT play with the appliance.

Any power leads from the water heater system components MUST BE plugged into an external weatherproof electrical outlet. If the power supply cord of any water heating components is damaged, it MUST BE replaced by an authorised person in order to avoid a hazard, using genuine replacement parts available from Rinnai. Take care not to touch the power plugs with wet hands.

Care should be taken not to touch the pipe work as it may be HOT! The pipes between the solar collectors and storage cylinder MUST BE copper or alternative material pipes that may be supplied by Rinnai. Plastic pipe is NOT suited to the water temperatures and pressures that may occur in the system.

DO NOT place articles on or against this appliance.

DO NOT store chemicals or flammable materials near this appliance.

DO NOT operate with collectors or covers removed from this appliance.

DO NOT activate pump unless cylinder is full of water.

NEVER use a flammable spray such as hair spray, lacquer, paint, etc near this unit as this may cause a fire.

### NOTICE TO VICTORIAN CONSUMERS

This appliance must be installed by a person licensed with the Plumbing Industry Commission.

Only a licensed person will have insurance protecting their workmanship.

So make sure you use a licensed person to install this appliance and ask for your Compliance Certificate.

For Further information contact the Plumbing Industry Commission on 1800 015 129.

SCALD HAZARDS



**HOT WATER CAN CAUSE SCALDS.**

**CHILDREN, DISABLED, ELDERLY AND THE INFIRM ARE AT THE HIGHEST RISK OF BEING SCALDED.**

**FEEL WATER TEMPERATURE BEFORE BATHING OR SHOWERING.**

**SCALDS FROM HOT WATER TAPS CAN RESULT IN SEVERE INJURIES TO YOUNG CHILDREN.**

**SCALDS OCCUR WHEN CHILDREN ARE EXPOSED DIRECTLY TO HOT WATER WHEN THEY ARE PLACED INTO A BATH WHICH IS TOO HOT.**

**ALWAYS.....**

**Test the temperature of the water with your elbow before placing your child in the bath, also carefully feel water before bathing or showering yourself.**

**Supervise children whenever they are in the bathroom.**

**Make sure that the hot water tap is turned off tightly.**

**CONSIDER.....**

**Installing child proof tap covers or child resistant taps (both approaches will prevent a small hand being able to turn on the tap).**

**Installing tempering valves or thermostatic mixing valves which reduce the hot water temperature delivered to the taps. Your local plumbing authority may already require that these be fitted. Contact your installer or local plumbing authority if in doubt.**

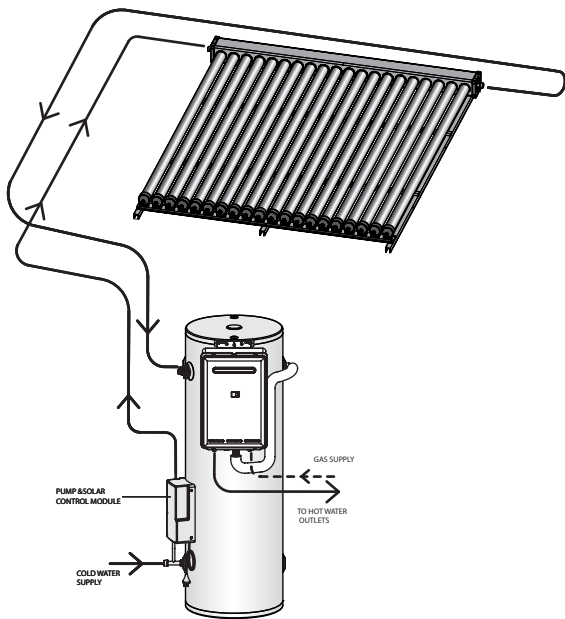
**NEVER....**

**Leave a toddler in the care of another child. They may not understand the need to have the water temperature set at a safe level.**

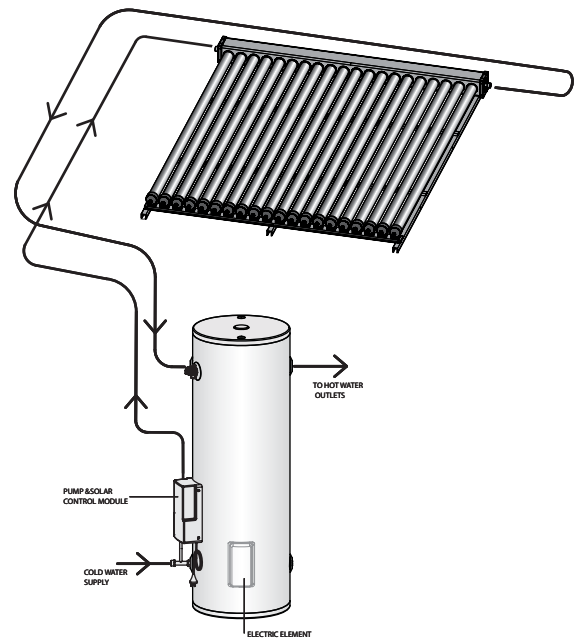
## OPERATION PRINCIPLE

This system is designed to have the solar collectors on the roof and the storage cylinder installed at ground or floor level. Electric and Gas boosted models are available. The system comprises a hot water storage cylinder, evacuated tube solar collectors, pump, controller and temperature sensors. The solar control unit ensures water circulates between the solar collectors and the storage cylinder to transfer heat from the solar collectors to the water in the cylinder if enough heat is available from the sun.

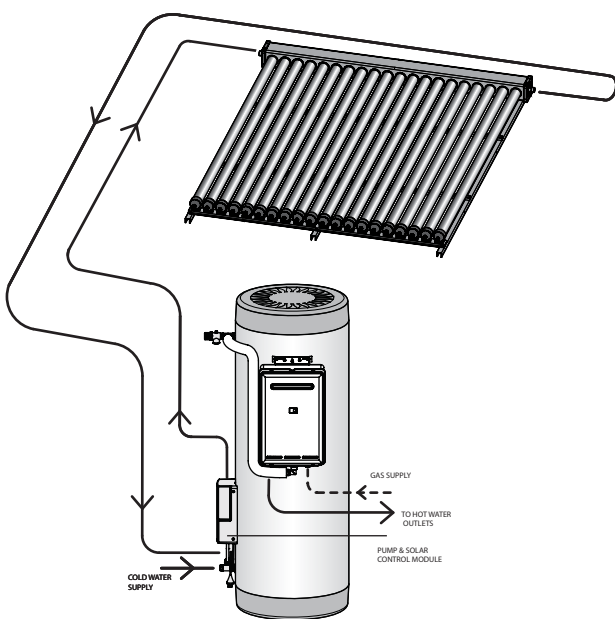
Supplementary heating is provided if insufficient heat is available from the sun (such as during cloudy or rainy weather or during winter months) either via an electric heating element(s) located inside the storage cylinder or via an in-line Gas booster located external to the storage cylinder. The following diagrams illustrate the Split Solar Hot Water System set up with both Electric and Gas boosting.



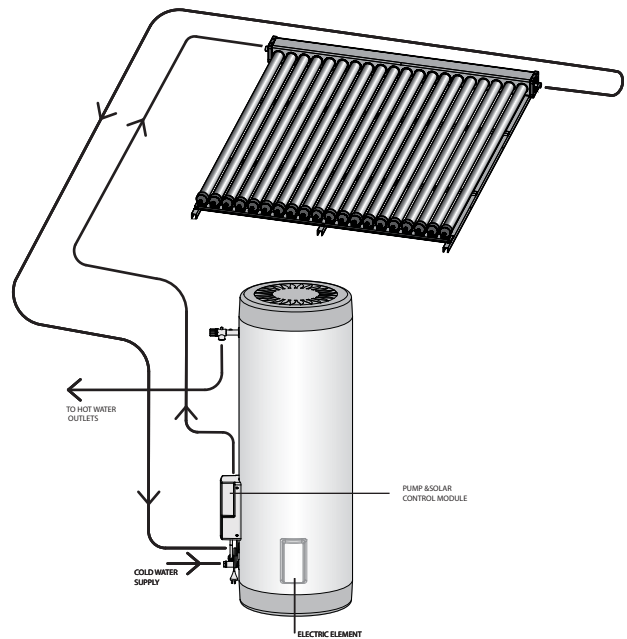
Glass Lined Gas Boosted Solar Hot Water System



Glass Lined Electric Solar Hot Water System



Stainless Steel Gas Boosted Solar Hot Water System



Stainless Steel Electric Solar Hot Water System

## SAFETY DEVICES

The water heating system is supplied with various safety devices including temperature sensors, overheat sensors and switches and a Pressure & Temperature Relief (PTR) valve. These devices must not be tampered with or removed. The water heating system must not be operated unless each of these devices is fitted and is in working order.



**DO NOT tamper with or remove safety devices.**

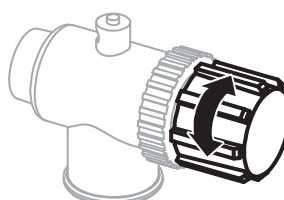
**DO NOT operate the water heater unless all safety devices are fitted and in working order.**

**DO NOT block or seal the PTR Valve and drain pipe.**

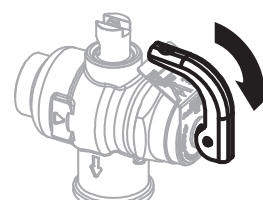
### Pressure & Temperature Relief (PTR) Valve

This valve is located near the top of the water heater and is essential for safe operation. It is normal for the valve to release a small quantity of water through the drain line during heating.

However, continuous leakage of water from the valve and its drain line may indicate a problem with the water heater.



Twist cap until water flows from drain line



Lift lever until water flows from drain line (Lower lever gently!)



**Never block the outlet of the PTR valve or it's drain line for any reason. The easing gear must be operated at least every 6 months to remove lime deposits and verify that it is not blocked. Failure to do this may result in the water heater failing.**

**If the valve does not discharge water when the easing gear lever is opened, or does not seal again when the easing gear is closed, attendance by an authorised person must be arranged without delay. The PTR valve is not serviceable.**

## EXCESSIVE DISCHARGE FROM SAFETY DEVICES

### Pressure & Temperature Relief (PTR) Valve

It is normal and desirable that this valve allows a small quantity of water to be discharged during the heating cycle. If it discharges more than a bucket of water during a 24 hour period or discharges continuously there may be another problem.

If the valve dribbles continuously, try easing the valve gear for a few seconds as described above. This may dislodge any foreign matter and alleviate the problem.

If the valve discharges at high flows, especially at night, it may be as a result of the water pressure exceeding the design pressure of the water heater. Ask your installer to fit a Pressure Limiting Valve (PLV).



**NEVER replace the PTR valve with one which has a higher pressure rating than is specified for your water heater.**

### Expansion Control Valve (ECV) - if fitted

It is normal and desirable that this valve allows a small quantity of water to be discharged during the heating cycle. If it discharges more than a bucket of water during a 24 hour period or discharges continuously there may be another problem.

If the valve leaks continuously, try easing the valve gear for a few seconds. This may dislodge any foreign matter and alleviate the problem. If this does not alleviate the problem contact Rinnai.

Operate the easing gear regularly to remove any lime deposits and to verify that it is not blocked.

## GAS BOOSTERS

Do not touch the flue outlet or do not insert any objects into the flue outlet.

- Keep flammable materials, spray cans, fuel containers, trees, shrubs and pool chemicals etc, well clear of the flue outlet.
- Do not use the gas types other than those designated on the data plate. For example, do not use Propane/ Butane gas mixtures on appliances marked Propane Gas.
- Do not use Propane Gas on appliances marked as Natural Gas and vice versa.

## HYDROGEN GAS

In the case of systems using a vitreous enamelled lined cylinder, if the hot water unit is not used for two weeks or more, a quantity of hydrogen gas, which is highly flammable, may accumulate in the water heater. To dissipate this safely, it is recommended that a non electrically operated hot tap be turned on for two minutes at a sink, basin, or bath, but not a dishwasher or other appliance. During this procedure there must be no smoking, open flame or any electrical appliance operating nearby. If hydrogen is discharged through the tap, it will probably make a sound like air escaping.

## WATER TEMPERATURE

The solar control unit and pump ensure water circulates between the solar collectors and storage cylinder until the water at the base of the cylinder reaches approximately 65°C. Under these conditions water at the hot outlet may exceed 85°C. During periods of low solar gain supplementary heating occurs to a minimum of 60°C for electric boosted systems and 70°C for gas boosted systems.



**To meet Australian regulatory requirements, supplementary heating must be operational.**

## TURNING OFF THE WATER HEATING SYSTEM

If you plan to be away for only a few nights, we suggest you leave the water heating system switched on. If it is necessary to switch off the water heater, do so as outlined below:

### **Electric Boosted Systems**

- Switch off the electrical supply to the supplementary heating element. The switch is usually marked and located in the electricity meter box of the dwelling.
- Switch off the electric supply to the solar controller and pump.

### **Gas Boosted systems**

- Switch off the electric supply to the gas booster.
- Switch off the electric supply to the solar controller and pump.

## TURNING ON THE WATER HEATING SYSTEM

### **Electric Boosted system**

- Switch on the electric supply to the supplementary heating element(s). The switch is usually marked and located in the electricity meter box of the dwelling.
- Switch on the electrical supply to the solar controller pump. Electric and solar water heating will now occur as required. It may take a number of hours before hot water is available.

### **Gas Boosted systems**

- Switch on the electrical supply to the gas booster.
- Switch on the electrical supply to the solar controller and pump. Solar water heating will now occur. Hot water is available immediately from the gas booster when hot water tap is opened, irrespective of solar heat gain.

## WATER QUALITY

The water quality of most public supplies is suitable for the water heating system. The water quality from bore wells is generally unsuitable for the water heating system. Refer to separate 'Warranty Terms and Conditions' document for water quality parameters and how they affect the warranty conditions. If in doubt about the water quality, have it checked against the parameters listed in the warranty conditions. The system is not suitable as a pool or spa heater.

## DRAINING AND FILLING THE WATER HEATING SYSTEM

Draining or filling normally occur only during installation or servicing and must be carried out by an authorised person.

## MAINTENANCE AND REGULAR CARE

Operate the easing gear of the PTR as described in the section 'Safety Devices' on page 4.

The overflow tray (supplied by installer) and drain underneath the storage cylinder (if fitted) should be periodically checked to ensure there are no blockages.

## SERVICING AND REPAIR

Our Servicing network personnel are fully trained and equipped to give the best service on your appliance. If your appliance needs service, ring one of the service contact numbers on the back of this booklet.

It is recommended that the system be serviced at least every 5 years.

The pressure and temperature relief valve and expansion control valve must be checked for performance or replaced by an authorised person at intervals not exceeding 5 years or more frequently in areas where the water is classified as scaling water (refer to the supplied warranty booklet).

It is recommended that the sacrificial anode fitted to Glass Lined cylinders be inspected every 5 years or more frequently in areas where there is a high incidence of water deposits. This does not apply to Stainless Steel cylinders. Anodes suited to hard and soft water, are available from Rinnai.

If the electric conduit, power supply cord or plug to the water heater is damaged, they must be replaced by an authorised person in order to avoid a hazard. The power supply cord and plug (if fitted) must be replaced by a genuine replacement part available from Rinnai.

## SAVE A SERVICE CALL

Before contacting Rinnai for service, please follow the fault finding guide. If the problem persists or this information doesn't answer your questions, contact Rinnai on the phone number on the back of this manual

Service call outs attending to any condition or fault that is not related to Rinnai product or components may be chargeable.

| INSUFFICIENT OR NO HOT WATER  |  |
|---|--|
| <b>Excessive hot water consumption</b>  | <b>Electric Boosted Systems:</b><br>Often people are surprised at the amount of hot water used, especially when showering. If the amount of hot water used during the day exceeds the storage capacity of the cylinder, it is likely that there will be insufficient hot water.  |
|   | <b>Gas Boosted Systems:</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Insufficient flow may occur if multiple outlets are in use at the same time and exceed the rated flow capacity of the gas booster. If so, reduce the number of outlets in use.</li> <li>Consider discussing with your installer, fitting water saving fixtures and/or flow control or pressure limiting valves to reduce consumption.</li> </ul>  |
| <b>Incorrect solar system size</b>  | The system may not have been adequately sized to suit the household.   |
| <b>Temperature and pressure relief valve / expansion control valve discharging water continuously</b> | <b>PTR Valves &amp; ECV Valves (if fitted)</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>It is normal and desirable that this valve allows a small quantity of water to be discharged during the heating cycle. If it discharges more than a standard bucket of water during a 24 hour period or discharges continuously there may be another problem</li> <li>If water continuously dribbles from the valve, try easing the valve gear for a few seconds as described in the section 'Maintenance and Regular Care' on page 6. This may dislodge any foreign matter and alleviate the problem.</li> <li>If the valve discharges at high flows, contact your installer or Rinnai to discuss.</li> </ul> |
| <b>Booster heating not operating or insufficient gas supply for gas boosted heating system</b>        | <b>Electric boosted Systems:</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Check to ensure the electric isolating switch(es) at the switchboard (usually marked "Hot water" or "water heater") is switched 'ON'.</li> <li>Check to ensure that the electric fuses for hot water at the switchboard are intact</li> <li>If running on Off-Peak, discuss boosting times with electricity supplier.</li> <li>Booster heating not operating or insufficient gas supply for gas boosted heating system</li> </ul>  |
|   | <b>Gas Boosted Systems:</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Check to ensure the power cord of the gas booster is plugged in and switched 'on'.</li> <li>Check gas is available and the isolation valve is opened</li> <li>Close the hot tap and wait for 10 seconds and open it again. The hot tap must be opened enough to ensure that the flow rate is sufficient to light the gas booster</li> <li>Check if there is gas supply to other appliances in the rest of the house</li> </ul>  |
| <b>Booster thermostat settings</b>  | <b>Electric Boosted Systems:</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Check the temperature of hot water delivered with a thermometer placed under the closest outlet (usually the kitchen sink) on a non-tempered hot water line</li> <li>This test should be done early in the morning after overnight electrical boosting before any hot water is used. The temperature of the water delivered should be at least 55°C (allowing for heat losses in pipe work)</li> <li>If this is not the case or the temperature may need to be increased. Contact your installer or Rinnai to discuss adjusting the thermostat.</li> </ul>   |
| NO WATER FROM THE HOT TAP   |  |
| <b>Restriction in the hot tap or failure of the cold water supply to the heater</b>                   | Check for water flow at the other hot taps and that the cold water isolation valve is fully open   |



| HIGH ELECTRICITY OR GAS BILL  |  |
|---|--|
| <b>Hot water usage patterns</b>   | <p><b>Electric Boosted Systems:</b></p> <p>If using an off peak (overnight) boosted electrical system, the time of use of the water may affect whether heating is done by electric element or solar energy. This is because both solar heated water and electrically heated water are stored in the same cylinder. (This is not a problem with gas boosted systems, and is less of an issue with mid element storage cylinders).</p> <p>If the bulk of hot water is used in the morning, there will be cold water in the cylinder for the sun to heat during the day leading to lower electricity usage.</p> <p>If the bulk of the hot water is used in the evening, the electric element will reheat the water overnight. In the morning there will be no cold water in the storage cylinder for the sun to heat.</p> <p>Consider changing your usage pattern to optimise solar energy usage.</p> |
| <b>High electricity cost</b>  | <p><b>Electric Boosted Systems:</b></p> <p>The electricity tariff will determine the running costs of the system. Contact the electricity supplier to confirm what these tariffs are.</p>  |
| <b>Solar control unit switched off</b>  | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• If the solar control unit is switched off there will be no solar pre- heating of water resulting in the water being heated entirely by electricity or gas' boosting'</li> <li>• Check the power outlet for the solar control unit is switched on</li> </ul>   |
| <b>Temperature and pressure relief valve / expansion control valve discharging water continuously</b> | See entry under 'Insufficient or No Hot Water'   |
| <b>Lack of solar gain</b>   | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Reduced sunlight due to overcast weather in summer or low solar contribution in winter will result in an increased dependence on electricity or gas boosting. Higher electricity or gas bills under these conditions, especially in winter, are normal.</li> <li>• If the solar collectors are shaded by trees or other objects, or the glass is dirty, the effectiveness of the collectors is greatly reduced. Arrange for trimming of the trees or relocation of the solar collectors if the obstruction is permanent. Arrange for cleaning of the collector glass</li> <li>• Solar collectors incorrectly positioned will also severely affect the solar gain. Check that positioning and alignment of solar collectors is in accordance with the section 'System Orientation and Inclination' on page 21.</li> </ul>                                  |
| BROKEN OR DAMAGED EVACUATED TUBES   |  |
| <b>Broken Evacuated Tubes</b>   | <p>If any of the evacuated tubes have a clear or white bottom this may indicate that the vacuum within the tube has gone and the tube will not be performing properly. The tubes are normally a silver colour.</p> <p>If the vacuum in the tube is gone or the tube is obviously broken, the system can still be used. The remaining tubes will still be fully operational. However the system performance will be reduced.</p> <p>If a tube is broken or damaged it should be replaced. Contact Rinnai to discuss.</p>  |
| NOISY SOLAR COLLECTORS  |  |
| <b>Noise from solar collectors</b>  | Occasionally on days of high solar gain, the water temperature in the collector may become very high. The noise may be similar to a boiling kettle, or an expanding contracting metallic sound. The collector is designed to withstand these conditions, and no action is needed, unless it is extreme. Contact Rinnai to discuss if you have any concerns.  |
| SOLAR PUMP CONTINUOUSLY OPERATING   |  |
| <b>Temperature sensor leads not in place</b>  | The system will not operate correctly if the temperature sensor leads are not correctly positioned (dry well on storage cylinder and in the evacuated tube header). Contact your installer or Rinnai to discuss.   |
| WATER HAMMER  |  |
| <b>Hot and cold water plumbing in the premises</b>  | Contact your installer or a plumber to discuss checking the clipping of hot and cold water pipe work and install a pressure limiting valve or water hammer arrestor as required  |



## GENERAL

Split solar hot water systems are specified according to the grade of storage cylinder material, cylinder capacity, number of solar collectors and boost type and capacity. Boost capacity for gas boosted system depends on the gas booster model selected. Boost capacity for electrically boosted systems depends on the power rating of electric heating elements and whether one or two electric heating elements are fitted.

## SYSTEM

Specifications for the various components are shown below.

| <b>System Type</b>  | <b>Glass Lined<br/>Cylinders<br/>175, 215,<br/>160, 200</b> | <b>Glass Lined<br/>Cylinders<br/>270, 320, 340,<br/>250, 315</b> | <b>Stainless Steel<br/>Cylinders</b> |
|---|---|--|--------------------------------------|
| Solar flow and return connection:                                     | Rp ½  | Rp ½   | Rp ½                                 |
| PTR valve connection:   | Rp ½  | Rp ½   | Rp ¾                                 |
| Cold inlet connection:  | Rp ¾  | Rp ¾   | Rp ¾                                 |
| Hot outlet connection:  | Rp ¾  | Rp ¾   | Rp ¾                                 |
| PTR valve setting   | 1000 kPa  | 850 kPa  | 850 kPa                              |
| Rating of PTR Valve supplied  | 10 kW   | 10 kW  | 10 kW                                |
| Expansion Control Valve (ECV) setting                                 | 850 kPa   | 700 kPa  | 700 kPa                              |
| Max supply pressure with ECV  | 680 kPa   | 550 kPa  | 550 kPa                              |
| Max supply pressure without ECV                                       | 800 kPa   | 680 kPa  | 700 kPa                              |
| Pressure limiting valve rating<br>(supplied by installer if required) | 500 kPa   | 500 kPa  | 500 kPa                              |

### Flow Control Valve

A flow control valve is fitted to the pump and controller assembly.

It's purpose is to allow the water flow rate through the collectors and storage cylinder to be controlled to optimise the performance of the system.

### Differential Temperature Controller

The primary task of the differential temperature controller is to control the operation of the pump to optimize solar energy collection. This task is performed by measuring the temperature differential between the hot sensor and the cold sensor. When the differential exceeds 9°C the pump is activated and water passes through the collectors collecting solar energy. When the differential falls below 5°C the pump turns off.

A secondary task of the controller is to stop energy collection when the cylinder is full of hot water. This is referred to as no load protection and the pump is shut down if the temperature of the water going to the collectors exceeds 65°C. At such a temperature in the base of the cylinder, the temperature of water in the top of the cylinder is expected to be about 85°C.

When the controller is in low temperature mode it will also circulate water through the evacuated tube header when the roof temperature becomes cold. This is to prevent damage to the system due to freezing. See 19 for more details.

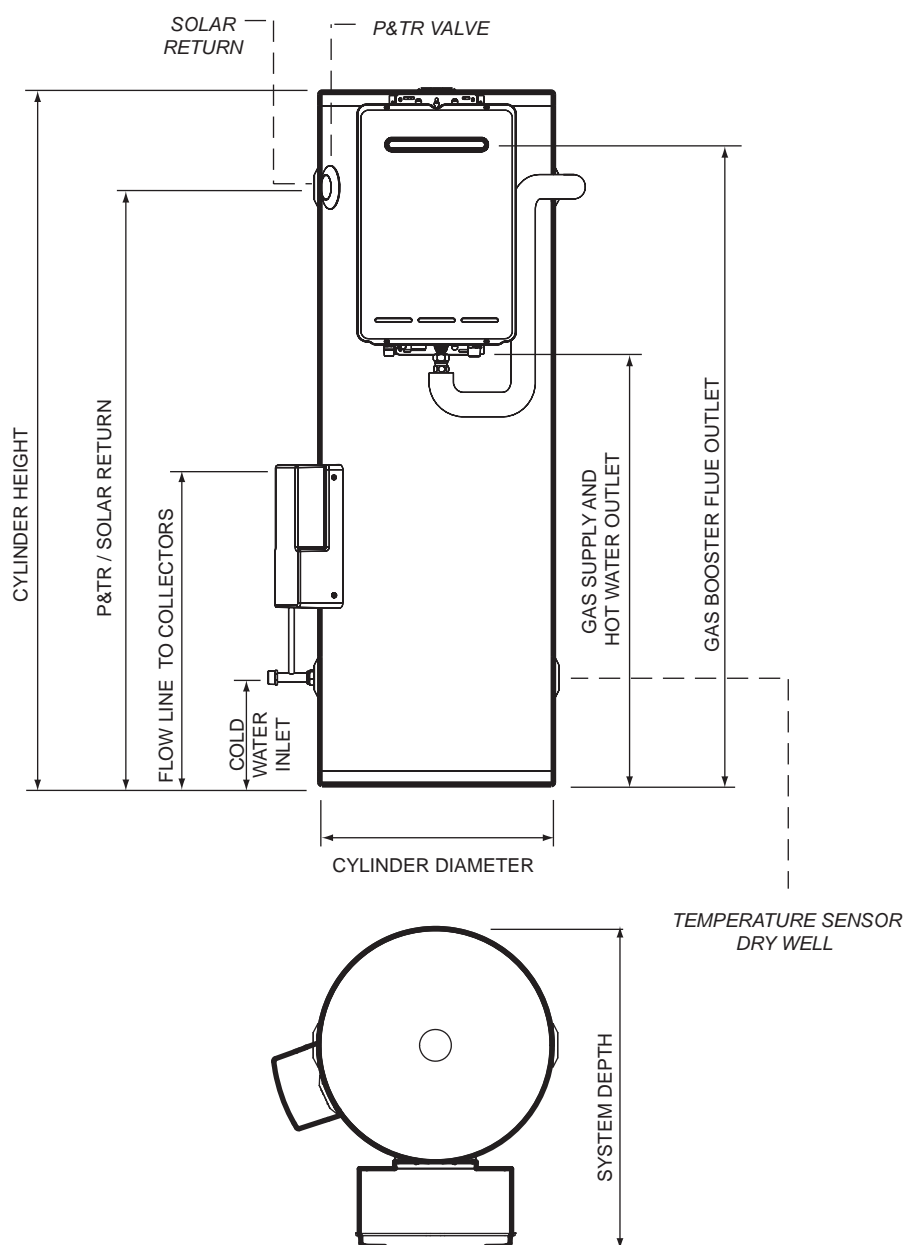
## EVACUATED TUBE SOLAR COLLECTORS

|   | <b>EVT20A</b>  | <b>EVT25A</b>     | <b>EVT30A</b>     |
|---|--|-------------------|-------------------|
| Number of tubes                                 | 20   | 25                | 30                |
| Waterways                                       | Copper   | Copper            | Copper            |
| Threaded Connections                            | R $\frac{3}{4}$  | R $\frac{3}{4}$   | R $\frac{3}{4}$   |
| Maximum operating temperature                   | 850 kPa  | 850 kPa           | 850 kPa           |
| Frame material                                  | Aluminium  | Aluminium         | Aluminium         |
| Overall dimensions                              | 1980 x 1692 x 145  | 1980 x 2082 x 145 | 1980 x 2472 x 145 |
| Weight empty                                    | 80 kg  | 100 kg            | 120 kg            |
| Potential solar output at PTR relief conditions | 1.30 kW  | 1.63 kW           | 1.96 kW           |
| Frost Protection                                | Frost Protection to -12 °C.<br>Power must be on at the pump, and the solar controller must be in low temperature mode. See page 19<br>For more information on frost protection, refer to the warranty booklet. |                   |                   |

## STORAGE CYLINDERS

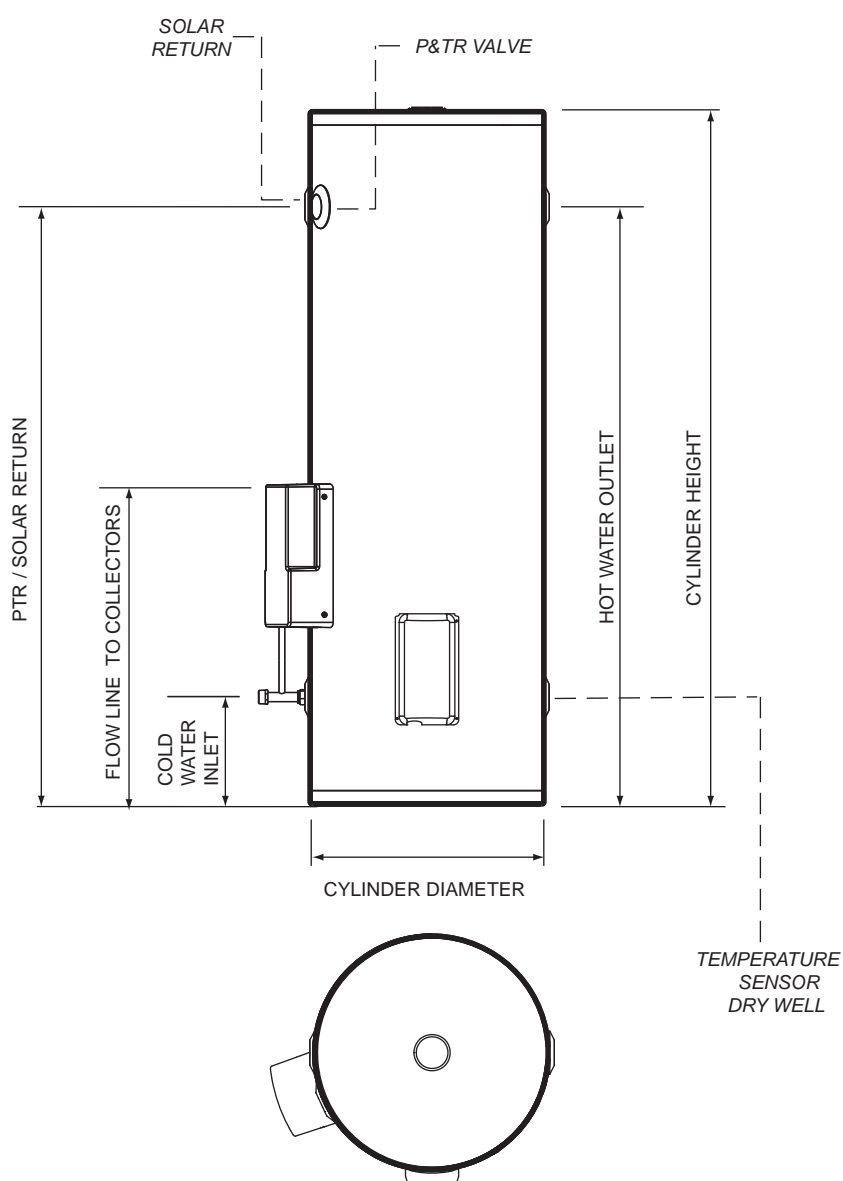
**Glass Lined Gas Boosted Cylinders**

|                              | <b>SG175<br/>ESG175</b> | <b>SG215<br/>ESG215</b> | <b>SG270SL<br/>ESG270SL</b> | <b>SG320SL<br/>ESG320SL</b> |
|------------------------------|-------------------------|-------------------------|-----------------------------|-----------------------------|
| Cylinder height              | 1530                    | 1825                    | 1475                        | 1695                        |
| PTR / solar return           | 1310                    | 1605                    | 1215                        | 1430                        |
| Flow line to collectors      | 665                     | 665                     | 540                         | 540                         |
| Cold water inlet             | 225                     | 225                     | 90                          | 90                          |
| Gas supply and hot water out | 940                     | 1235                    | 885                         | 1105                        |
| Gas booster flue outlet      | 1400                    | 1695                    | 1345                        | 1565                        |
| Cylinder diameter            | 515                     | 515                     | 625                         | 625                         |
| Weight empty                 | 66 kg                   | 88 kg                   | 91 kg                       | 107 kg                      |
| System Depth                 | 710                     | 710                     | 820                         | 820                         |



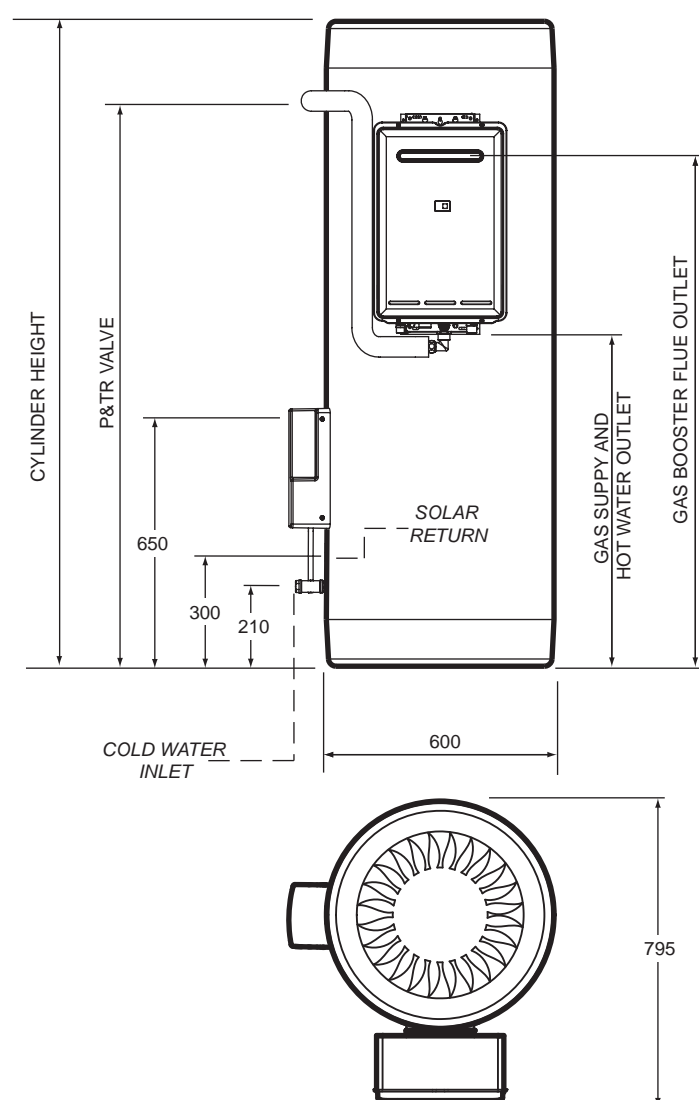
# Glass Lined Electric Boosted Cylinders

|                                       | SE200<br>ESE200 | SE250SL<br>ESE250SL<br>SM250SL<br>ESM250SL | SE315SL<br>ESE315SL<br>SM315SL<br>ESM315SL |
|---------------------------------------|-----------------|--|--|
| Cylinder height                       | 1825            | 1475                                       | 1695                                       |
| PTR / solar return / hot water outlet | 1605            | 1215                                       | 1430                                       |
| Flow line to collectors               | 665             | 540  | 540  |
| Cold water inlet                      | 225             | 90   | 90   |
| Cylinder diameter                     | 515             | 625  | 625  |
| Weight empty (kg)                     | 88              | 91   | 107  |



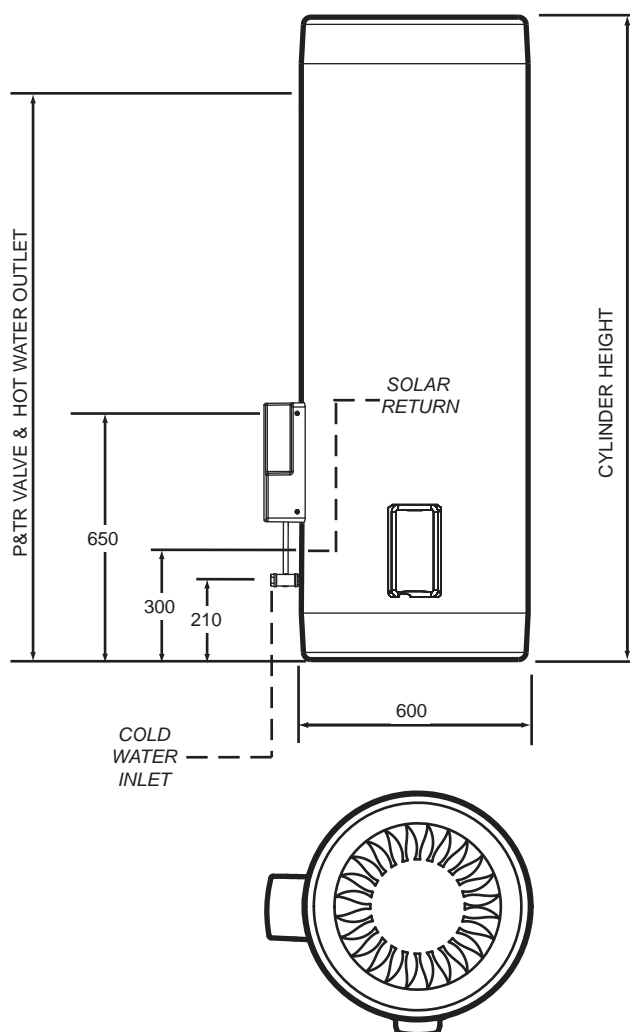
**Stainless Steel Gas Boosted Cylinders**

|                                       | 250  | 315  |
|---------------------------------------|------|------|
| Cylinder height                       | 1700 | 2090 |
| PTR / solar return / hot water outlet | 1490 | 1880 |
| Gas supply and hot water outlet       | 880  | 1270 |
| Gas booster flue outlet               | 1345 | 1735 |
| Weight empty (kg)                     | 56   | 68   |



# **Stainless Steel Electric Boosted Cylinders**

|                                       | 160  | 250  | 315  |
|---------------------------------------|------|------|------|
| Cylinder height                       | 995  | 1700 | 2090 |
| PTR / solar return / hot water outlet | 1205 | 1490 | 1880 |
| Weight empty (kg)                     | 46   | 56   | 68   |



## GAS BOOSTERS

| Model Name   | S20             | S26 | S26i * | S32 *           |
|--|-----------------|-----|--------|-----------------|
| Boost capacity at 20°C rise (l/min)  | 20              | 26  | 26     | 37              |
| Boost capacity at 25°C rise (l/min)  | 16              | 24  | 24     | 32              |
| Maximum rated flow (l/min)   | 20              | 26  | 26     | 37              |
| Minimum water supply pressure for maximum rated flow (kPa) <sup>1</sup>  | 120             | 200 | 200    | 180             |
| Frost protection   | Yes             |     |        |                 |
| Gas consumption maximum (MJ/h)   | 125             | 188 | 188    | 250             |
| Gas consumption minimum (MJ/h)   | 18              | 23  | 14     | 21              |
| Hot water delivery temperature (°C) <sup>2</sup>   | 70              |     |        |                 |
| Dimensions - height x width x depth (mm)   | 530 x 350 x 194 |     |        | 600 x 470 x 244 |
| Weight (kg)  | 15              | 21  | 15     | 29              |
| <p>1 Units will operate at lower pressures but the rated flow will not be achieved.</p> <p>2 Gas boosters for Solar hot water applications must be set by Rinnai to deliver a minimum temperature of 70°C. Solar Gas boosters will be marked as Solar. Units not marked 'Solar' MUST NOT be used.</p> <p>* These models are made to order.</p> |                 |     |        |                 |

# INSTALLATION - ALL SYSTEMS

## REGULATIONS AND OCCUPATION HEALTH AND SAFETY (OH&S)



Installation and commissioning must be performed by authorised persons.

Solar systems must be installed in accordance with these instructions and all regulatory requirements which exist in your area including those in relation to manual lifting, working at heights and on roofs. Applicable publications and regulations may include:

- AS/NZS 5601 Gas Installations
- AS/NZS 3500 National Plumbing and Drainage
- AS/NZS 3000 Wiring rules
- Building Codes of Australia (BCA)
- Local Occupational Health and Safety (OH&S) regulations

This appliance is not suitable for use as a domestic spa pool or swimming pool heater.

Solar collectors are heavy and bulky items and are usually positioned on the roofs of buildings. Australian State and Territories have a principal Occupational Health and Safety (OH&S) Act which contains requirements relating to the handling of large, bulky or awkward items and the prevention of falls from elevated surfaces. Persons installing solar collectors must be aware of their responsibilities and be adequately trained and qualified, in accordance with local OH&S requirements.

## LOCATION - GENERAL INFORMATION

All system components must be in an accessible location. The storage cylinder must be accessible without the use of a ladder or scaffold. Sufficient clearances shall allow access to, and removal of, all serviceable parts. Ensure the PTR valve, pump kit, drain lines and thermostat and elements for electric systems have sufficient clearances and are accessible for service and removal. The information on any data plates must also be readable. In the case of vitreous enamel lined cylinders, leave a clearance of the height of one storage cylinder above the cylinder being installed so the sacrificial anode can be inspected and replaced. This does not apply to stainless steel cylinders.

Select suitable areas of roof on which to install the solar collectors as close as practicable to the cylinder. Ensure that the area is even and without cracked or damaged tiles. Collectors should be positioned for optimum solar benefit. Refer to the section 'Installation - Evacuated Tubes' on page 21 for more information.

The solar pump kit and gas booster heater require an AC 240V power supply. A weatherproof 240V, 10A earthed power point must therefore be provided adjacent to these.

All electrically boosted solar hot water heating elements must be connected to an independent, fused, AC 240V 50 Hz power supply with an isolating switch installed at the switch board.

## STORAGE CYLINDER LOCATION

The storage cylinder should be placed as close as practicable to the most frequently used hot water outlet point or points to minimise the delay time for hot water delivery. This will usually be the kitchen tap.

The solar storage cylinders have an ingress protection rating of IPX4 making them suitable for internal or external installation. Rinnai 'external' gas boosters are suitable for external installation only.

Storage cylinders must be installed in freestanding mode on a level and stable base. For external installations, storage cylinders should be mounted on a concrete base at least 50mm thick or on well seasoned, evenly spread hardwood slats with a thickness of at least 25mm. Where property damage can occur, storage cylinders should be installed with an approved safe tray (overflow tray).

Ensure the cylinder does not stand on wet surfaces.



## GAS BOOSTER LOCATION

The gas booster is designed for 'Outdoor' Installation only. As such, it must be located in an above ground open air situation with natural ventilation, without stagnant areas, where gas leakage and products of combustion are rapidly dispersed by wind and natural convection.

## WATER PIPES

All hot water pipework should be insulated with sealed Polyethylene foamed or equivalent insulation to optimise performance and energy efficiency. Such insulation may also be mandatory under local regulations. Rinnai recommend insulation to achieve an R value of 1.0 K.m<sup>2</sup>/W. With the exception of solar collector flow and return pipes, water pipe sizing should be performed in accordance with AS/NZS 3500. All external pipework **MUST** be insulated to prevent frost damage.

The collector flow and return pipes should be a minimum of 15 mm copper tube. Plastic pipe must not be used. Plastic pipe is not suited to the high water temperatures and pressures that may occur in the collector flow and return system.



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The maximum recommended combined lengths of the solar flow and return pipes are as follows:

|                          | EVT20A and EVT25A | EVT30A and 2 x EVT20A |
|--------------------------|-------------------|-----------------------|
| Copper Pipe DN 15 (1/2") | 60 m              | 50 m                  |
| Copper Pipe DN20 (3/4")  | not recommended   | 60 m                  |

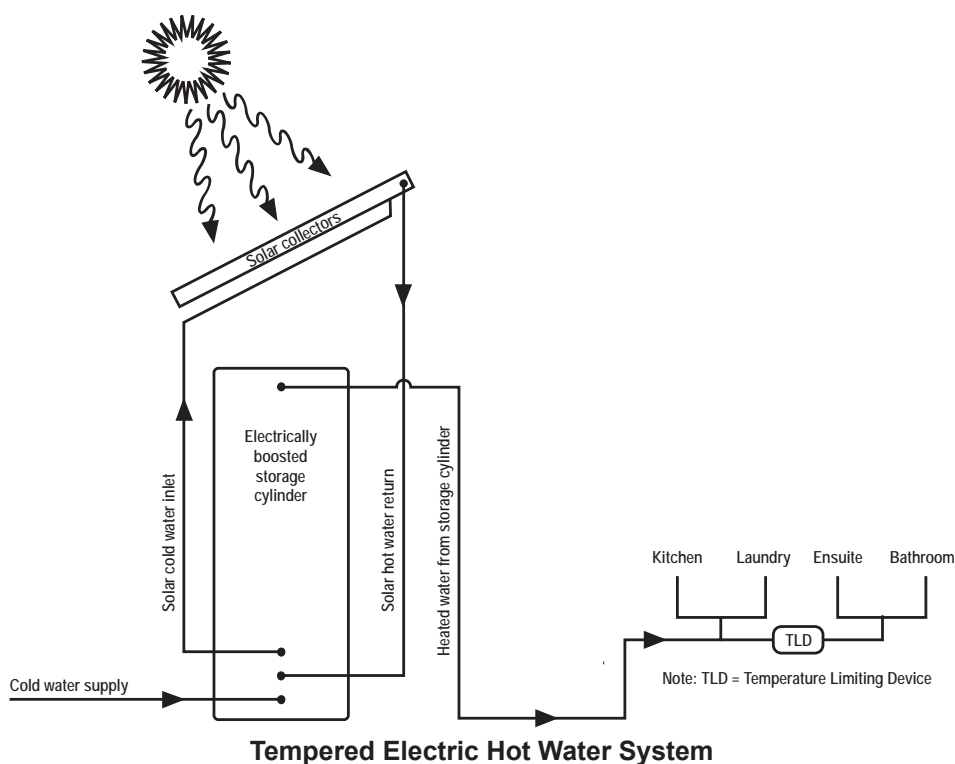
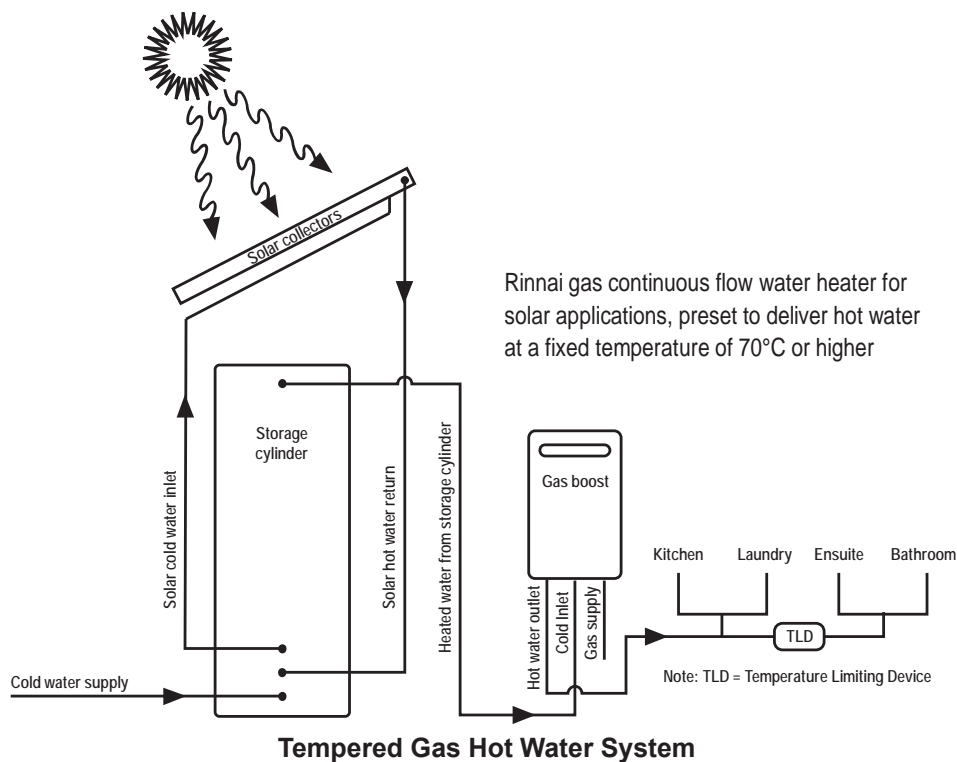
## WATER SUPPLY

The maximum water pressures for the various systems are listed on page 9. Approved pressure limiting valves may be required if the 'Maximum' rated water supply pressures are exceeded. For gas boosted systems to achieve the rated flow through the outlet of the continuous flow water heater, the minimum water supply pressures must be supplied. The systems will operate at lower pressures but the rated flow will not be achieved.

Water chemistry and impurity limits are detailed in the separate Warranty document. Most metropolitan water supplies fall within these requirements. If you are unsure about water quality, contact your water authority. If sludge or foreign matter is present in the water supply, a suitable filter should be incorporated in the water supply to the storage cylinder.

## HOT WATER DELIVERY TEMPERATURE

Local regulations and/or the requirements of AS/NZS 3500.4 must be considered regarding the temperature limitations of hot water supplied to areas used primarily for personal hygiene. The temperature of water to these areas is limited to 45°C for early childhood centres, primary and secondary schools and nursing homes or similar facilities for young, aged, sick or people with disabilities and 50°C for all other buildings. To comply with these requirements, a temperature limiting device, such as a thermostatic mixing or tempering valve, will be required on all solar hot water systems as detailed below.

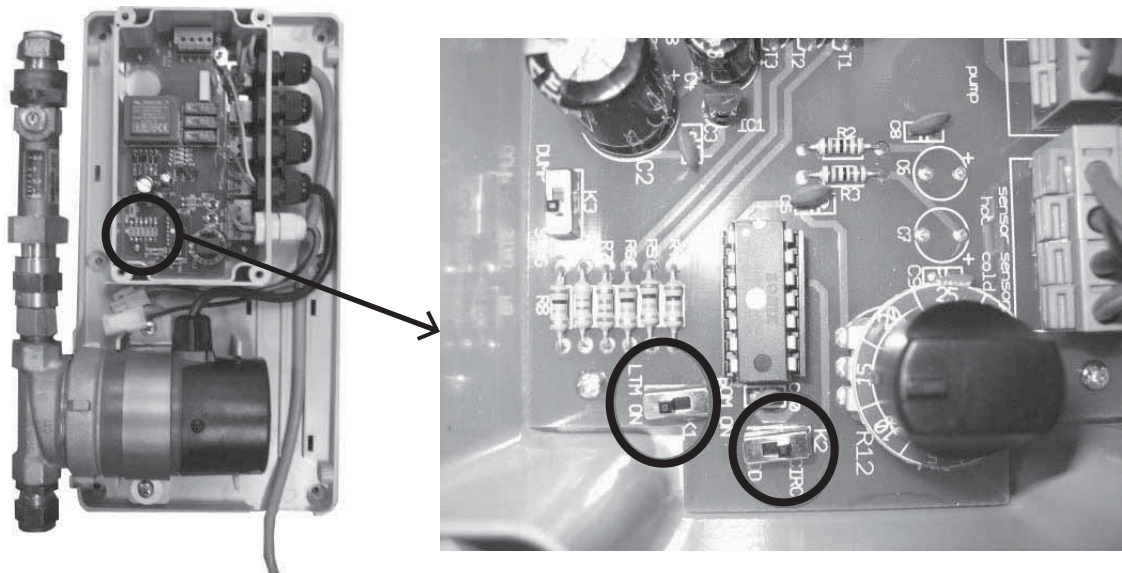


FROST PROTECTION MODE

The Solar Controller has two different temperature modes. Low temperature mode and standard operating mode. When the controller is in low temperature mode, the pump will circulate water to the collectors when the temperature on the roof drops low enough, to prevent freezing of the collectors.

For systems installed with evacuated tube collectors, the controller **MUST** be set to low temperature mode for the warranty on the collector to be valid. Refer warranty booklet for more details.

The factory default is Low Temperature Mode.



Frost protection dipswitches on solar controller

| Mode                    | Dip Switch K1 | Dip Switch K2 |
|-------------------------|---------------|---------------|
| Standard operating mode | SOM 'ON       | CIR           |
| Low temperature mode    | LTM           | CIR           |



Power **MUST** be turned OFF to the Controller before opening the controller box.  
Power **MUST** be OFF when adjusting Dip Switches

## VALVES AND FITTINGS

The following valves and fittings are supplied with your solar hot water system:

- A combined pressure and temperature (PTR) relief valve, capacity 10 kW. Relief valve pressure settings vary with models. This valve is fitted at the top of the storage cylinder. The PTR valve is a safety device and it is mandatory that it is fitted by the installer in all installations.
- A non return valve fitted on the solar pump outlet to prevent backflow through the pump from the solar collectors. This valve is factory connected.
- For gas boosted systems, elbow connections for the hot, cold and gas supply are fitted at the bottom of the gas booster.
- Fittings as shown on pages 36 to 41 or 48 to 51.

The following valves & fittings are to be supplied by the installer:

- A cold water expansion control valve (ECV). An ECV must be fitted in Western Australia and South Australia to the cold water supply to the storage cylinder to comply with local regulations. An ECV is recommended in all other geographical areas where the water supply has a tendency to cause scaling. This will reduce hot water discharge from the pressure and temperature relief (PTR) valve which minimises wear on this valve.
- A stop cock, non return valve and line strainer. Combination valves incorporating two or more of these functions (such as 'Trio' valves) are suitable. These are fitted to the cold water supply to the storage cylinder by the installer.
- Cold water supply and hot water discharge pipework to and from the storage cylinder.
- Solar collector flow and return pipes and storage cylinder connections.
- An isolating valve and connection union for the gas supply to the gas booster.
- An approved pressure limiting valve (supplied with some systems) is required if the maximum rated water supply pressure on page 9 is exceeded.

# INSTALLATION - EVACUATED TUBES

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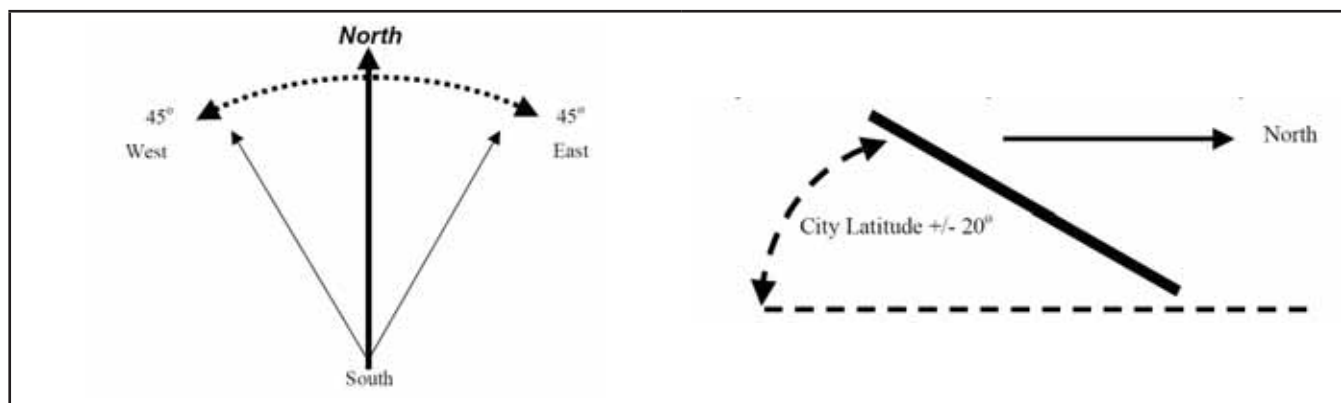


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## SYSTEM ORIENTATION AND INCLINATION

The performance of any solar hot water system is determined by the way that the system is installed. In Australia, the solar collectors ideally should face the equator (North) as shown below. Where this orientation is not practical, collectors facing within 45 degrees from North (between North-East and North-West) are acceptable and will only reduce efficiency by approximately 5%.

The inclination of the solar collectors should ideally be the same as the latitude angle of the site. Inclinations within 20 degrees of the latitude angle of the site will only reduce efficiency by approximately 5%. Most roofs within Australia have a slope of between 20° and 25° and provide an appropriately angled mounting surface.



Orientation and inclination of collectors

**Installers must ensure they comply with relevant local regulations in regards to inclination and orientation.**

**In some instances adding extra collectors may allow more flexibility in orientation.**

| City          | Latitude | City      | Latitude | City         | Latitude |
|---------------|----------|-----------|----------|--------------|----------|
| Adelaide      | 35°S     | Canberra  | 35°S     | Melbourne    | 38°S     |
| Albany        | 35°S     | Darwin    | 12°S     | Perth        | 32°S     |
| Alice Springs | 24°S     | Dubbo     | 32°S     | Port Hedland | 20°S     |
| Brisbane      | 27°S     | Geraldton | 28°S     | Rockhampton  | 24°S     |
| Broken Hill   | 31°S     | Hobart    | 42°S     | Sydney       | 34°S     |
| Cairns        | 17°S     | Mildura   | 34°S     | Townsville   | 19°S     |

Latitudes of Australian Cities

## SOLAR COLLECTOR ROOF MOUNTING OPTIONS

Rinnai evacuated tube solar collectors may be installed on the following roof types:

- Pitched tile roof
- Flat roof
- Pitched metal roof

Roof construction must be checked to ensure that the roof timbers are capable of supporting the additional load. (Refer to AS/NZS 3500.4 Appendix G).



Rinnai Evacuated tube systems are NOT certified for installation in cyclone areas.







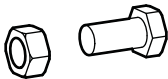
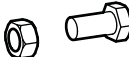
## COMPONENTS

### Evacuated Tube Collector Components

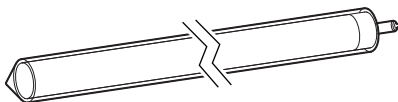
Each evacuated tube collector installation requires several components packaged within different boxes. Please ensure you have all the relevant boxes before starting installation

|                                       |             | TILED PITCH ROOF |    |    |    | FLAT ROOF |    |    |    |
|---------------------------------------|-------------|------------------|----|----|----|-----------|----|----|----|
|                                       |             | 20               | 25 | 30 | 40 | 20        | 25 | 30 | 40 |
| Manifold, base frame and "Tail Stock" | EVTMAN20R5A | 1                |    |    | 2  | 1         |    |    | 2  |
|                                       | EVTMAN25R5A |                  | 1  |    |    |           | 1  |    |    |
|                                       | EVTMAN30R5A |                  |    | 1  |    |           |    | 1  |    |
|                                       | EVTFRM20R5A | 1                |    |    | 2  | 1         |    |    | 2  |
| Pitch Roof Mounting Kit               | EVTPIT20R5A | 1                |    |    | 2  |           |    |    |    |
|                                       | EVTPIT25R5A |                  | 1  |    |    |           |    |    |    |
|                                       | EVTPIT30R5A |                  |    | 1  |    |           |    |    |    |
| Flat Roof Frames                      | EVTFRF20R5A |                  |    |    |    | 1         |    |    | 2  |
|                                       | EVTFRF25R5A |                  |    |    |    |           | 1  |    |    |
|                                       | EVTFRF30R5A |                  |    |    |    |           |    | 1  |    |
| Evacuated Tubes                       | EVTUBE10R5A | 2                | 1  |    | 4  | 2         | 1  |    | 4  |
|                                       | EVTUBE15R5A |                  | 1  | 2  |    |           | 1  | 2  |    |
| Additional Installation Components    | EVTRFBRKT   | 1                | 1  | 1  | 1  |           |    |    |    |
|                                       | IKEVTR5A    | 1                | 1  | 1  | 1  | 1         | 1  | 1  | 1  |


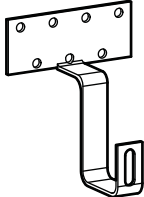

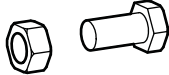
### Manifold, Base Frame and Bottom Support Assembly Kit Components

| EVTMAN20R5A | EVTMAN25R5A | EVTMAN30R5A | EVTFRM20R5A | Item   | EVTMAN20R5A | EVTMAN25R5A | EVTMAN30R5A | EVTFRM20R5A |  |
|-------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|--|-------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|--|
| 1           | 1           | 1           | -           | <br>Manifold Header<br>(to suit required number of tubes) | 1           | 1           | 1           | -           | <br>Bottom Support Assembly<br>(Single Tube Cap 40011214)                   |
| -           | 2           | 2           | 2           | 1980 mm long<br><br>Base Frame Rail A-                    | -           | 2           | 2           | 2           | EVT20A 1560 mm<br>EVT25A 1950 mm<br>EVT30A 2340 mm<br><br>Base Frame Rail B |
| 20          | 25          | 30          | -           | <br>Dust Caps 40011210                                  | 1           | 1           | 1           | -           | <br>Heat Transfer Paste 40011212  |
| 6           | 6           | 6           | -           | <br>M8-16 Nut and Bolt                                  | 9           | 9           | 9           | -           | <br>M6-12 Nut and Bolt  |





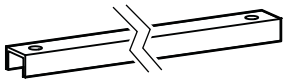

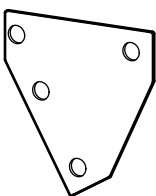
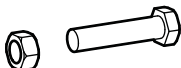
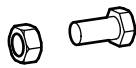
### Evacuated Tubes

| EVTUBE10R5A | EVTUBE15R5A | Item   |
|-------------|-------------|--|
| 10          | 15          | <br>Evacuated Tube (including heat pipe) |

### Pitch Roof Mounting Kits

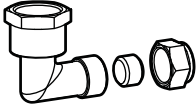
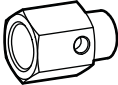




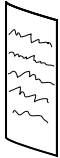
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|-------------|-------------|-------------|-----------|--|-------------|-------------|-------------|-----------|---|
| 2           | 2           | 2           | -         | <br>Pitch Roof Rail           | -           | -           | -           | 4         | <br>Tiled Roof Mounting Hook |
| -           | -           | -           | 4         | <br>Tiled Roof Mounting Clips |             |             |             |           |   |
| -           | -           | -           | 20        | M6 Screws  | -           | -           | -           | 8         | <br>M8-16 Nut and Bolt       |

### Flat Roof Frame Kits

| EVTRFRF20R5A | EVTRFRF25R5A | EVTRFRF30R5A | Item  | EVTRFRF20R5A | EVTRFRF25R5A | EVTRFRF30R5A | Item   |
|--------------|--------------|--------------|---|--------------|--------------|--------------|--|
| 1            | 1            | 1            | <br>FRF Leg Mid          | 2            | 2            | 2            | <br>FRF Leg Side        |
| 3            | 3            | 3            | <br>FRF Side Brace Short | 3            | 3            | 3            | <br>FRF Side Brace Long |
| 4            | 4            | 4            | <br>FRF Back Brace       | 6            | 6            | 6            | <br>FRF Foot            |
| 3            | 3            | 3            | <br>FRF Bracket          | 2            | 2            | 2            | <br>M6-25 Nut and Bolt  |
|              |              |              |   | 39           | 39           | 39           | <br>M6-12 Nut and Bolt  |

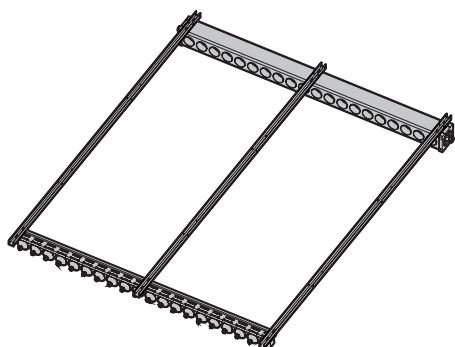


# Other Installation Kits

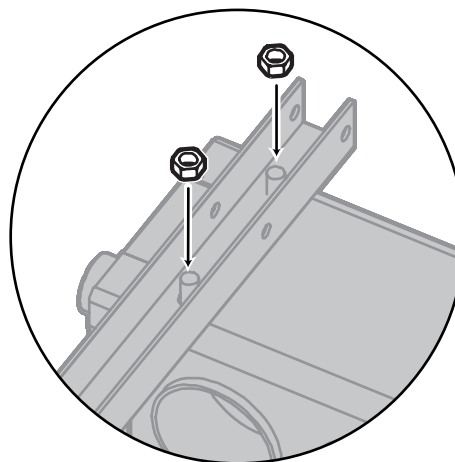
| Item | Item   | Item | Item  |
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| 2    | <br>Elbow 21201071            | 1    | <br>Air Bleed Valve Adaptor 16601100 |
| 1    | <br>Air Bleed Valve 11007701  | 1    | <br>Hot Sensor Lead 31002706         |
| 1    | <br>Warranty Booklet 15401041 | 1    | <br>Instruction Manual 15401100     |
| 1    | <br>STC form 15401023        |      |   |

## ASSEMBLY INSTRUCTIONS

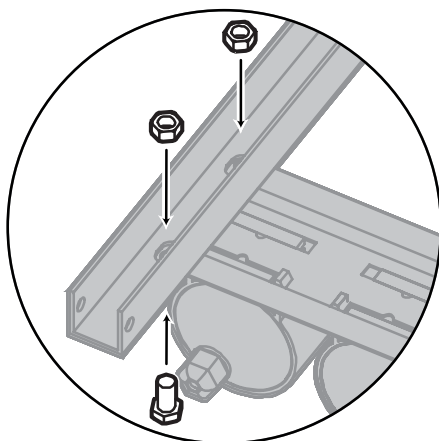
### Assemble Base Frame



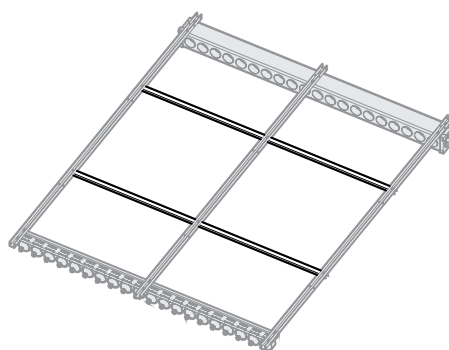
Step 1. Place the manifold header and the bottom support assembly upside down. Place the three Base Frame Rail A as shown in the diagram.



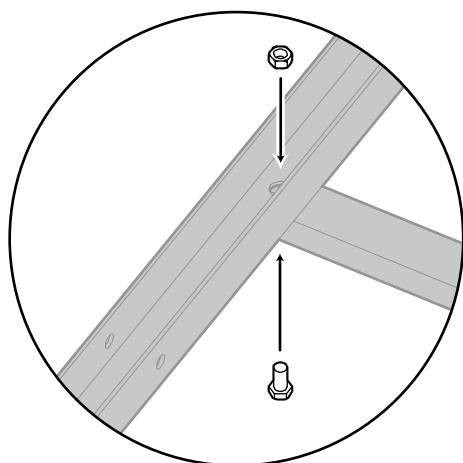
Step 2. Fasten the rails to the header using the nuts supplied with the header.



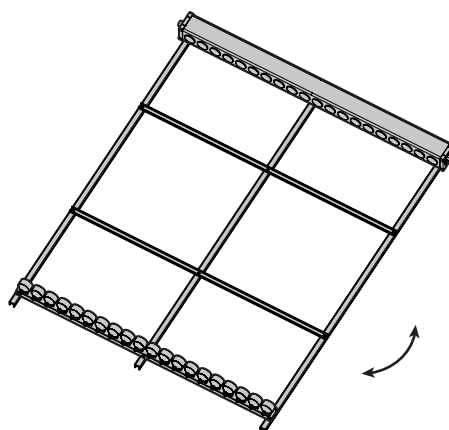
Step 3. Fasten the rails to the bottom support assembly using the M8 nuts and bolts supplied.



Step 4. Position the two Base Frame B rails under the existing components

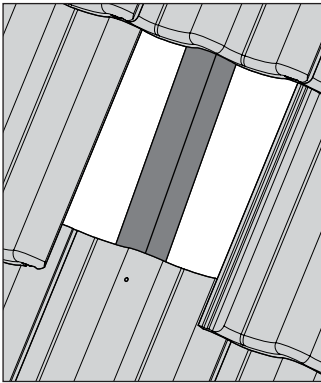


Step 5. Fasten using the M6 nuts and bolts supplied.

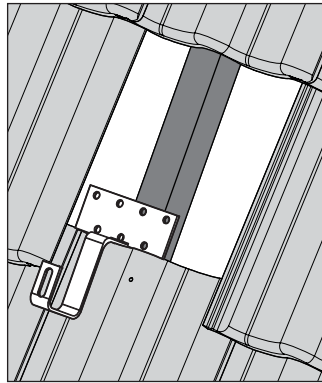


Step 6. Turn assembly up correct way

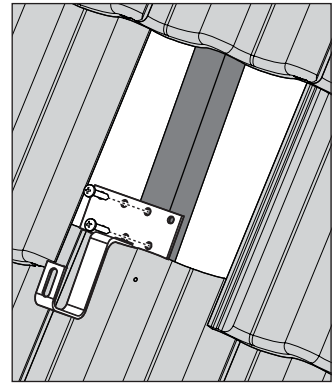
### Installation on a Pitched Tile Roof



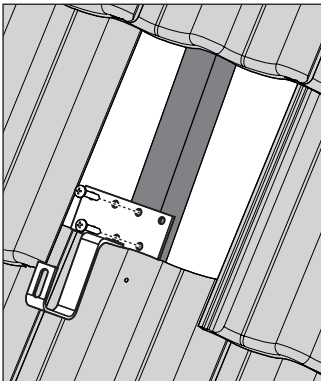
Step 1. Carefully remove a roof tile.



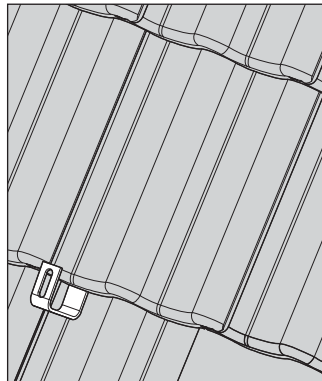
Step 2. Position the mounting bracket as shown.



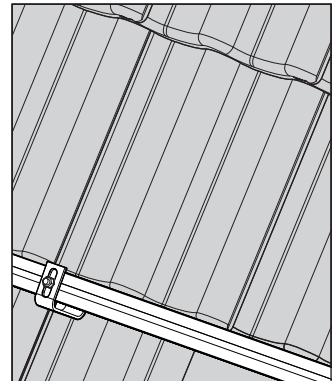
Step 3. Fasten the bracket to roof structure using suitable screws.



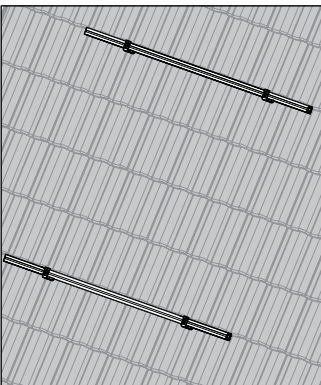
Step 4. Fasten the bracket to roof structure.



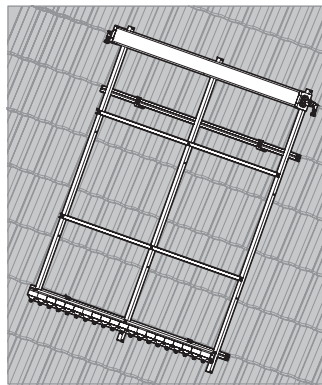
Step 5. Replace the roof tile.



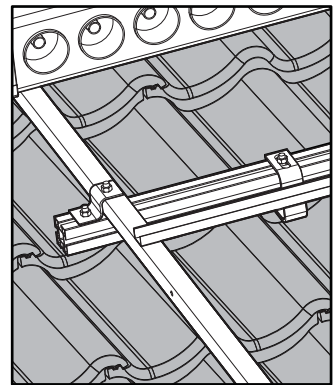
Step 6. Fit the mounting rail in bracket and fasten



Step 7. Repeat steps 1 to 6 for the remaining brackets and rail.

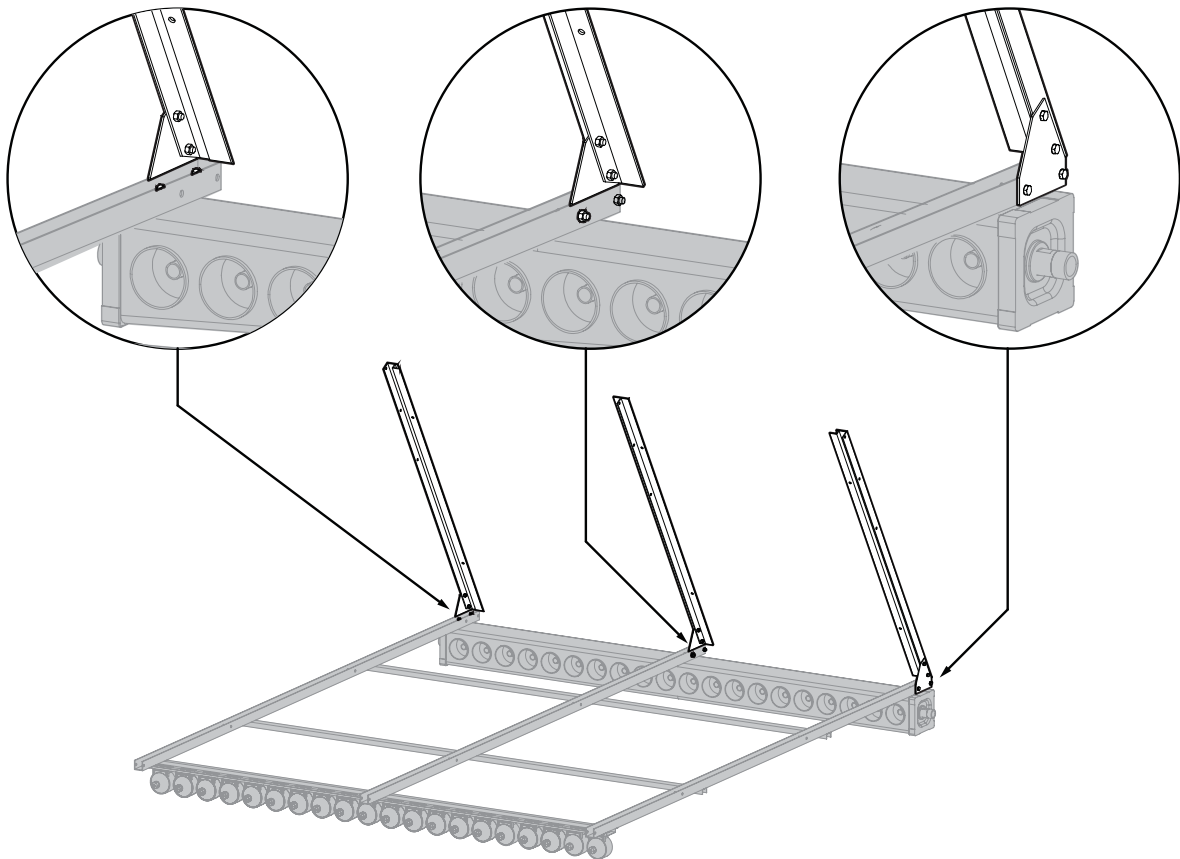


Step 8. Position the base frame on the rails.

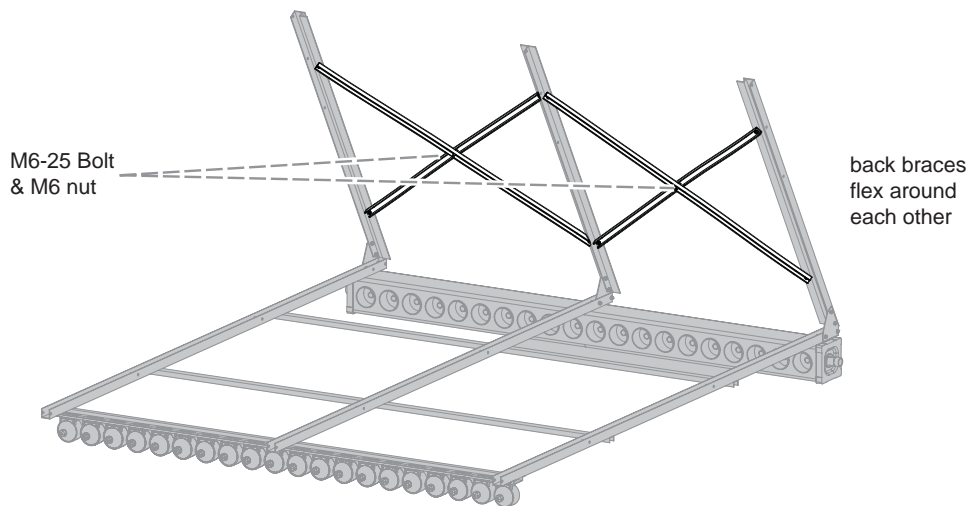


Step 9. Fasten the assembly using the mounting clips

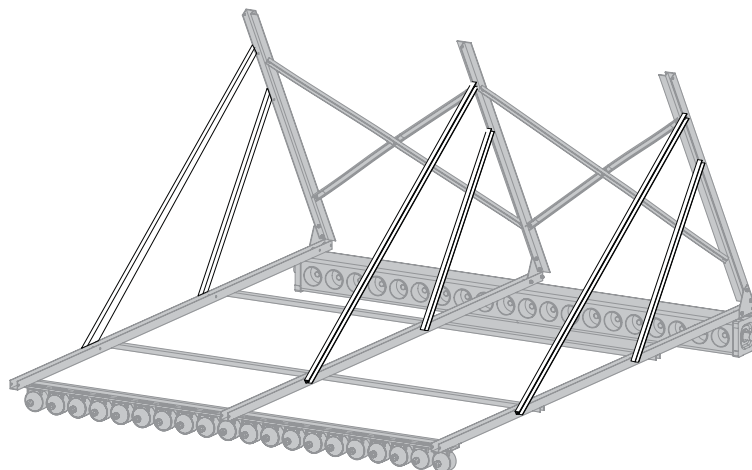
## Flat Roof Frame



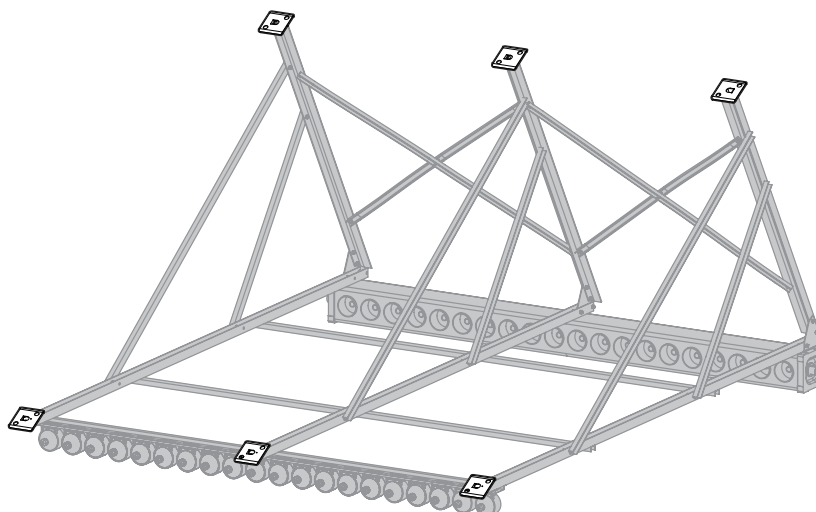
Step 1. Turn the complete base frame upside down and connect the rear legs and brackets using the M6-12 bolts and M6 nuts as shown.



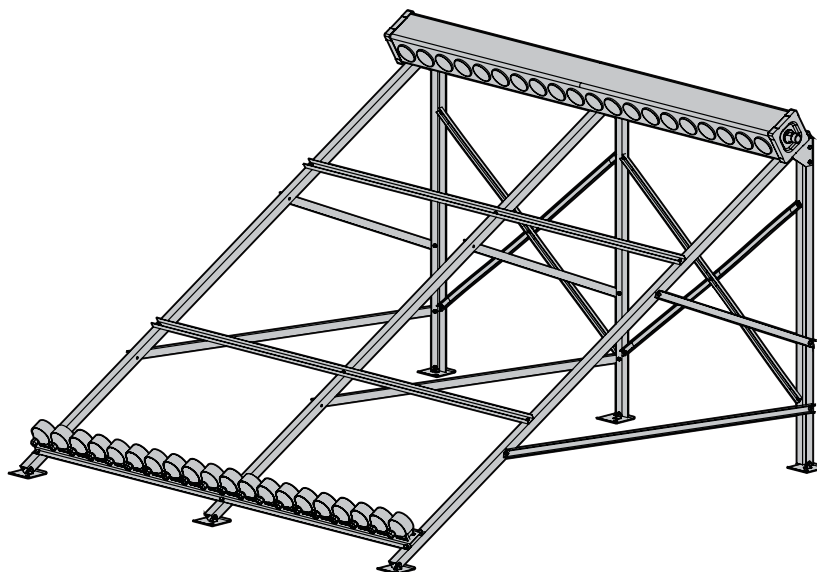
Step 2. Connect the back braces as shown. Attach with M6-12 bolts and M6 nuts except where shown otherwise in image.



Step 3. Connect the side braces as shown. Attach with M6-12 bolts and M6 nuts.



Step 4. Connect the feet as shown. Attach with M6-12 bolts and M6 nuts.

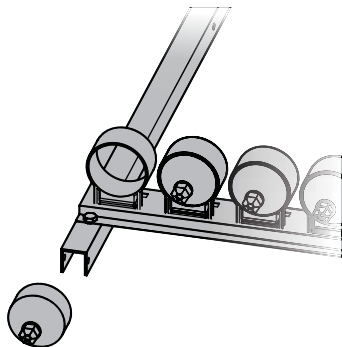


Step 5. Turn frame over. Fasten to roof using suitable fasteners (not supplied).

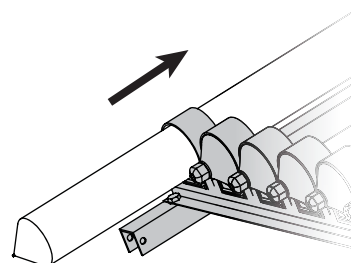
### Fitting the Evacuated Tubes



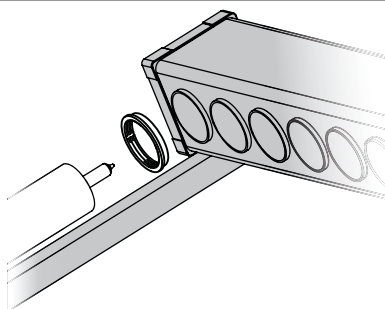
The fin and bulb on the evacuated tube will become hot when exposed to sunshine. Take care when handling to prevent burns.



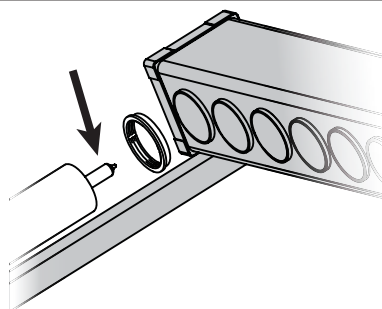
Step 1. Unscrew the tube cap as shown



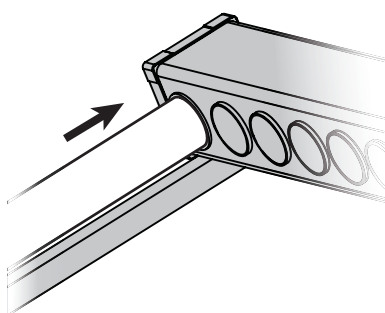
Step 2. Slide the evacuated tube through the tube cap.



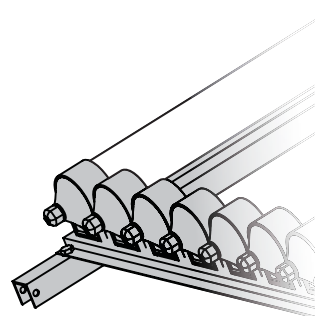
Step 3. Position the dust cap into the header



Step 4. Apply heat transfer paste to heat pipe bulb.



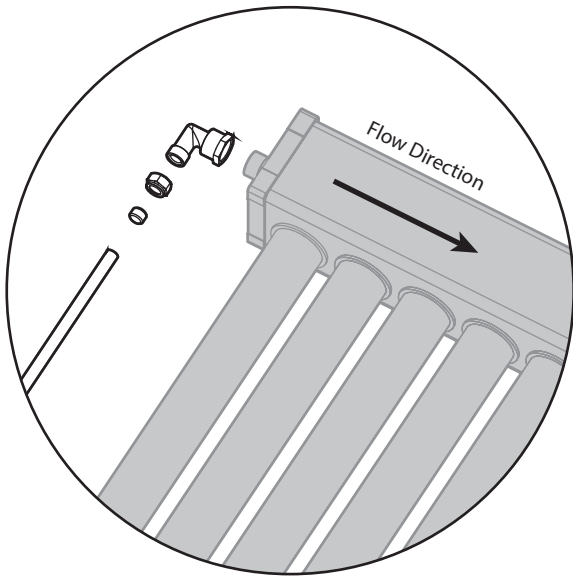
Step 5. Slide the tube into the header. Soapy water around the outside of the glass will make this easier



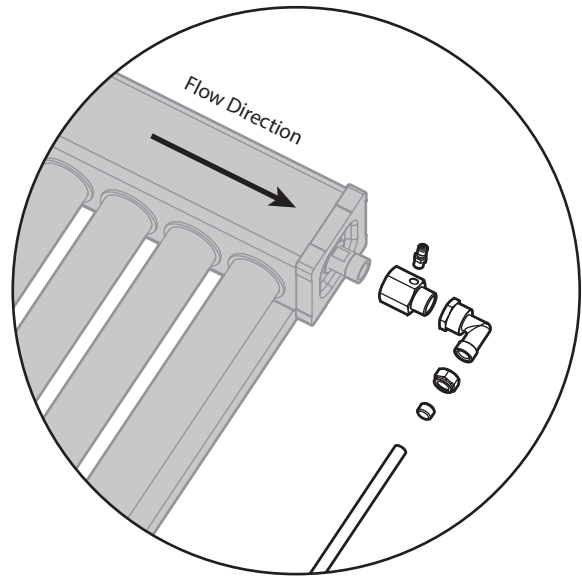
Step 6. Replace the tube cap.

Step 7. Repeat steps 1 to 6 for the remaining tubes

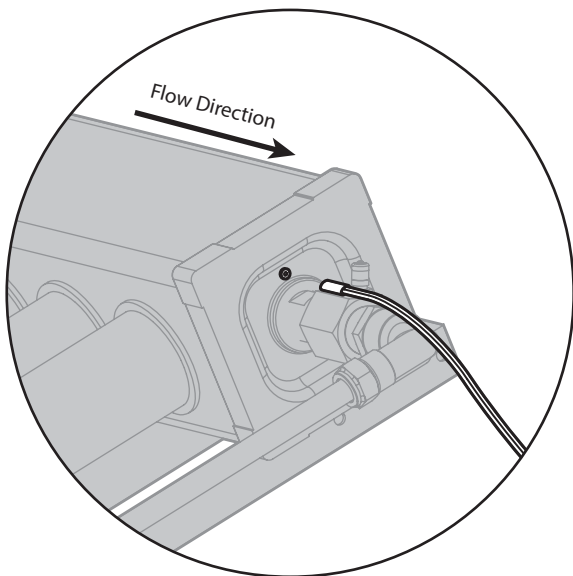
## Connecting plumbing connections and Temperature Sensor



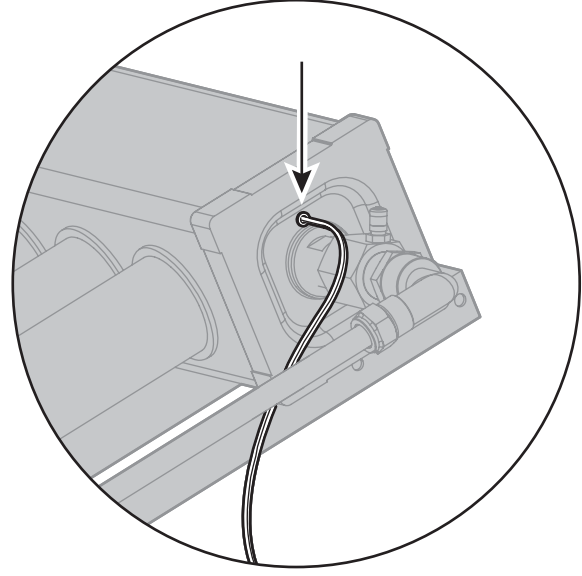
Step 1. Connect fittings to cold water side of header. Copper flow and return pipework is supplied by installer.



Step 2. Connect fittings to hot water side of header. Copper flow and return pipework is supplied by installer.



Step 3. Connect temperature sensor lead into header at the **hot water end**. Ensure that the lead is pushed all the way into the pocket.



Step 4. Secure the lead to the header using silicone to ensure it will not come loose. Connect the plug end to the solar controller as described on page 43 and page 53.

Step 5. Insulate all exposed fittings and pipework as described in the section 'Water Pipes' on page 17.

## Joining Two Collectors

Two EVT20A collectors can be joined together for a 40 tube system, An Rp 3/4 x Rp 3/4 barrel union is the suggested connection method. Ensure Connection is well insulated.



# INSTALLATION - GAS BOOSTED SYSTEMS

## OVERVIEW OF SYSTEM COMPONENTS

The range of gas boosted solar hot water systems include all the components shown on pages 36 to 40 (refer to the appropriate diagram depending on cylinder type/size).

The pump kit and associated plumbing connections are factory pre-assembled. All other components and fittings will require connection on site. The gas booster and pump/controller kit may be mounted to the front of the storage cylinder casing or in an alternative external location. In all cases the heated outlet of the cylinder is connected to the cold water inlet of the gas booster.

## GAS BOOSTER LOCATION

The gas booster is designed for 'Outdoor' Installation only. As such, it must be located in an above ground open air situation with natural ventilation, without stagnant areas, where gas leakage and products of combustion are rapidly dispersed by wind and natural convection. The location must comply with the clearances specified in AS/NZS 5601.

The gas booster must be mounted on a vertical structure with the water and gas connections on the underside pointing downwards. In most installations the gas booster is mounted directly on the storage cylinder using two custom made mounting brackets (supplied). In all cases the heated outlet of the cylinder is connected to cold water inlet of the gas booster.

## GAS SUPPLY

The maximum gas consumption of the gas booster and the required gas pressure are shown on the appliance data plate. If the gas pipe sizing is insufficient the customer will not get the full performance benefit. Gas pipe sizing must consider the gas input to the gas booster as well as all the other gas appliances on the premises. The gas meter and regulator must be specified for this gas rate. An approved sizing chart such as the one in AS/NZS 5601 should be used. An approved full flow isolation valve and disconnection union must be fitted to the gas supply inlet of the gas booster. Isolation valves must not be fitted directly to the booster.

## HOT WATER DELIVERY TEMPERATURE

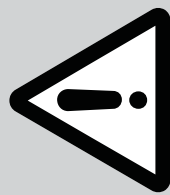
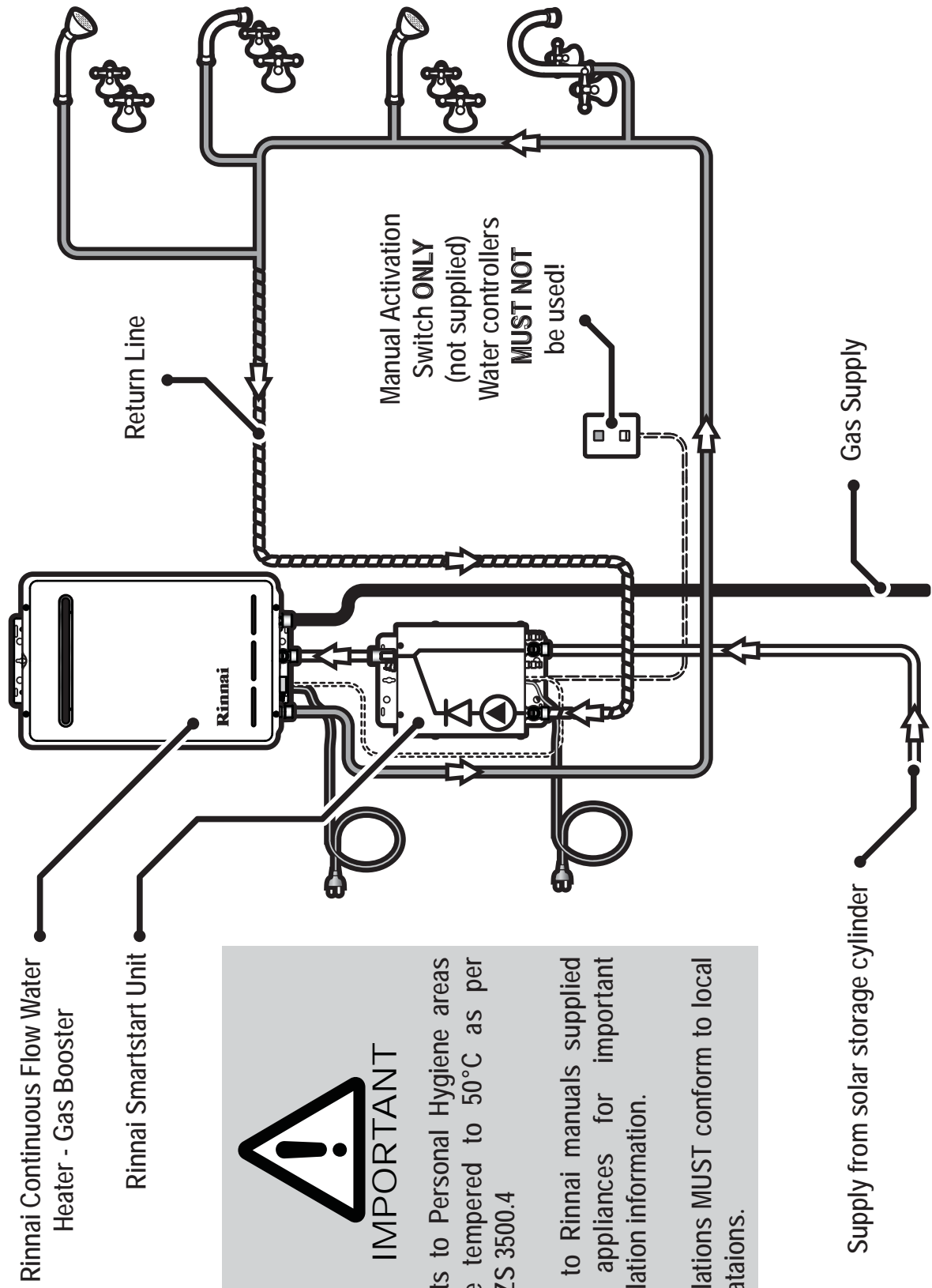
Gas boosters for use in solar hot water systems are preset to deliver a fixed temperature of 60°C in accordance with plumbing regulations. In addition, they contain the warning stating "Rinnai Water Controllers are NOT compatible with solar hot water installations and MUST NOT BE USED in the vicinity of the temperature controller connections inside the appliance."



Gas Boosters other than models designated "S20", "S26", "S26i", "S32" or "Solar" must not be used. Gas Boosters marked with the text: "THIS APPLIANCE DELIVERS WATER NOT EXCEEDING 50°C IN ACCORDANCE WITH AS 3498" are incompatible with solar hot water systems and must not be used.



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IMPORTANT

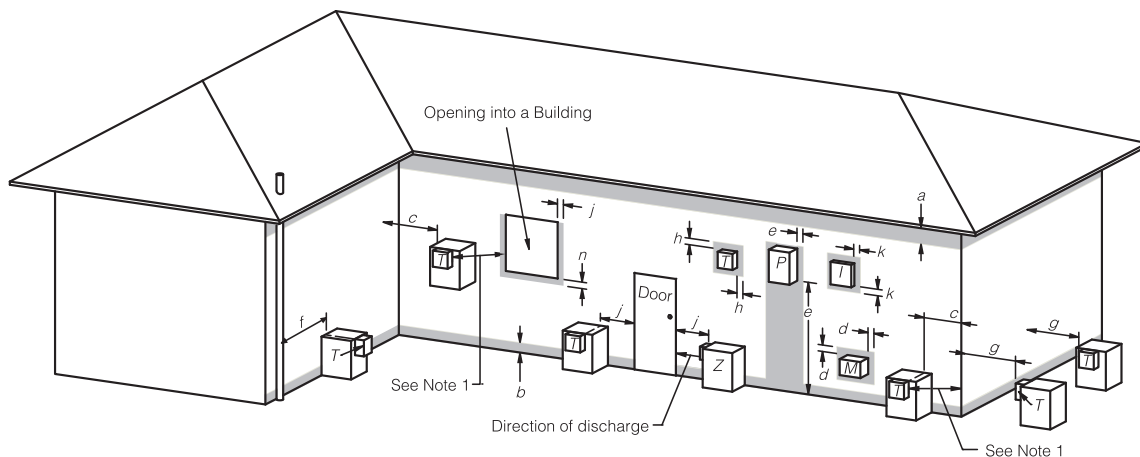
Outlets to Personal Hygiene areas to be tempered to 50°C as per AS/NZS 3500.4

Refer to Rinnai manuals supplied with appliances for important installation information.

Installations MUST conform to local regulations.

## GAS BOOSTER CLEARANCES

Figure 6.2 from AS/NZS5601 is reproduced below. It was current at the time of printing, but may have been superseded. It is the installer's responsibility to ensure that current requirements are met.



T = Flue terminal    Z = Fan assisted flue appliance only    M = Gas meter    P = Electricity meter or fuse box    I = Mechanical air inlet

Shading indicates prohibited areas for flue terminals

| Ref. | Item  | Min. clearances (mm) |              |
|------|---|----------------------|--------------|
|      |   | Natural draft        | Fan assisted |
|      | Below eaves, balconies and other projections:   |                      |              |
| a    | • Appliances up to 50 MJ/h input  | 300                  | 200          |
|      | • Appliances over 50 MJ/h input   | 500                  | 300          |
| b    | From the ground, above a balcony or other surface *   | 300                  | 300          |
| c    | Front a return wall or external corner *  | 500                  | 300          |
| d    | From a gas meter (M) (see 5.11.5.9 for vent terminal location of regulator) (see Table 6.6 for New Zealand requirements)                                | 1000                 | 1000         |
| e    | From an electricity meter or fuse box (P) †   | 500                  | 500          |
| f    | From a drain pipe or soil pipe  | 150                  | 75           |
| g    | Horizontally from any building structure* = or obstruction facing a terminal  | 500                  | 500          |
| h    | From any other flue terminal, cowl, or combustion air intake †  | 500                  | 300          |
|      | Horizontally from an openable window, door, non-mechanical air inlet, or any other opening into a building with the exception of sub-floor ventilation: |                      |              |
| j    | • Appliances up to 150 MJ/h input *   | 500                  | 300          |
|      | • Appliances over 150 MJ/h input up to 200 MJ/h input *   | 1500                 | 300          |
|      | • Appliances over 200 MJ/h input up to 250 MJ/h input *   | 1500                 | 500          |
|      | • Appliances over 250 MJ/h input *  | 1500                 | 1500         |
|      | • All fan-assisted flue appliances, in the direction of discharge   | -                    | 1500         |
| k    | From a mechanical air inlet, including a spa blower   | 1500                 | 1000         |
|      | Vertically below an openable window, non-mechanical air inlet, or any other opening into a building with the exception of sub-floor ventilation:        |                      |              |
| n    | • Space heaters up to 50 MJ/hr input  | 150                  | 150          |
|      | • Other appliances up to 50 MJ/hr input   | 500                  | 500          |
|      | • Appliances over 50 MJ/h input and up to 150 MJ/h input  | 1000                 | 1000         |
|      | • Appliances over 150 MJ/h input  | 1500                 | 1500         |

\* - unless appliance is certified for closer installation

† - Prohibited area below electricity meter or fuse box extends to ground level.

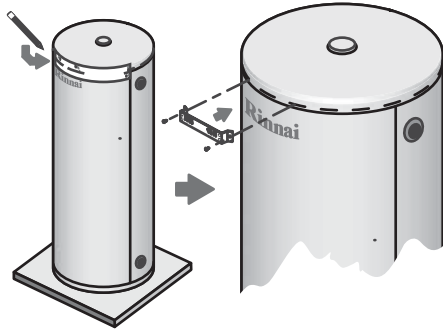
### NOTES:

- Where dimensions c, j or k cannot be achieved an equivalent horizontal distance measured diagonally from the nearest discharge point of the terminal to the opening may be deemed by the Technical Regulator to comply.
- See Clause 6.9.4 for restrictions on a flue terminal under a covered area.
- See Figure J3 for clearances required from a flue terminal to an LP Gas cylinder. A flue terminal is considered to be a source of ignition.
- For appliances not addressed above acceptance should be obtained from the Technical Regulator.

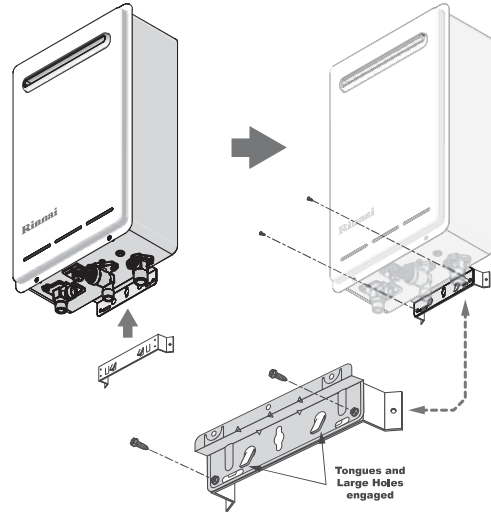
**FIGURE 6.2 (in-part) MINIMUM CLEARANCES REQUIRED FOR BALANCED FLUE TERMINALS, FAN-ASSISTED FLUE TERMINALS, ROOM-SEALED APPLIANCE TERMINALS AND OPENINGS OF OUTDOOR APPLIANCES**

# GAS BOOSTER MOUNTING

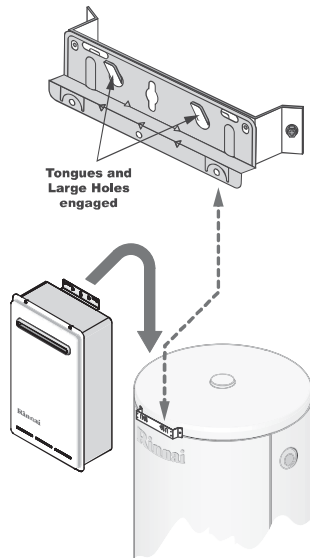
Step 1. Mount upper mounting bracket using template provided. (SG175, ESG175, SG215 & ESG215 are factory mounted).



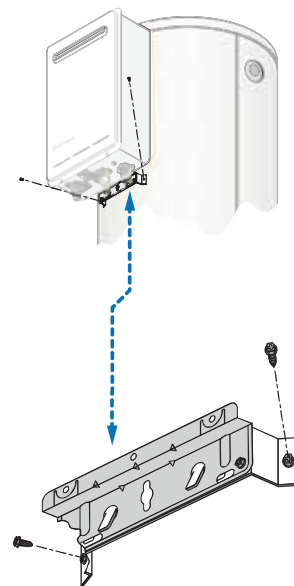
Step 2. Fix lower mounting bracket to Booster using screws provided.



Step 3. Hang booster on bracket and secure with screws provided.



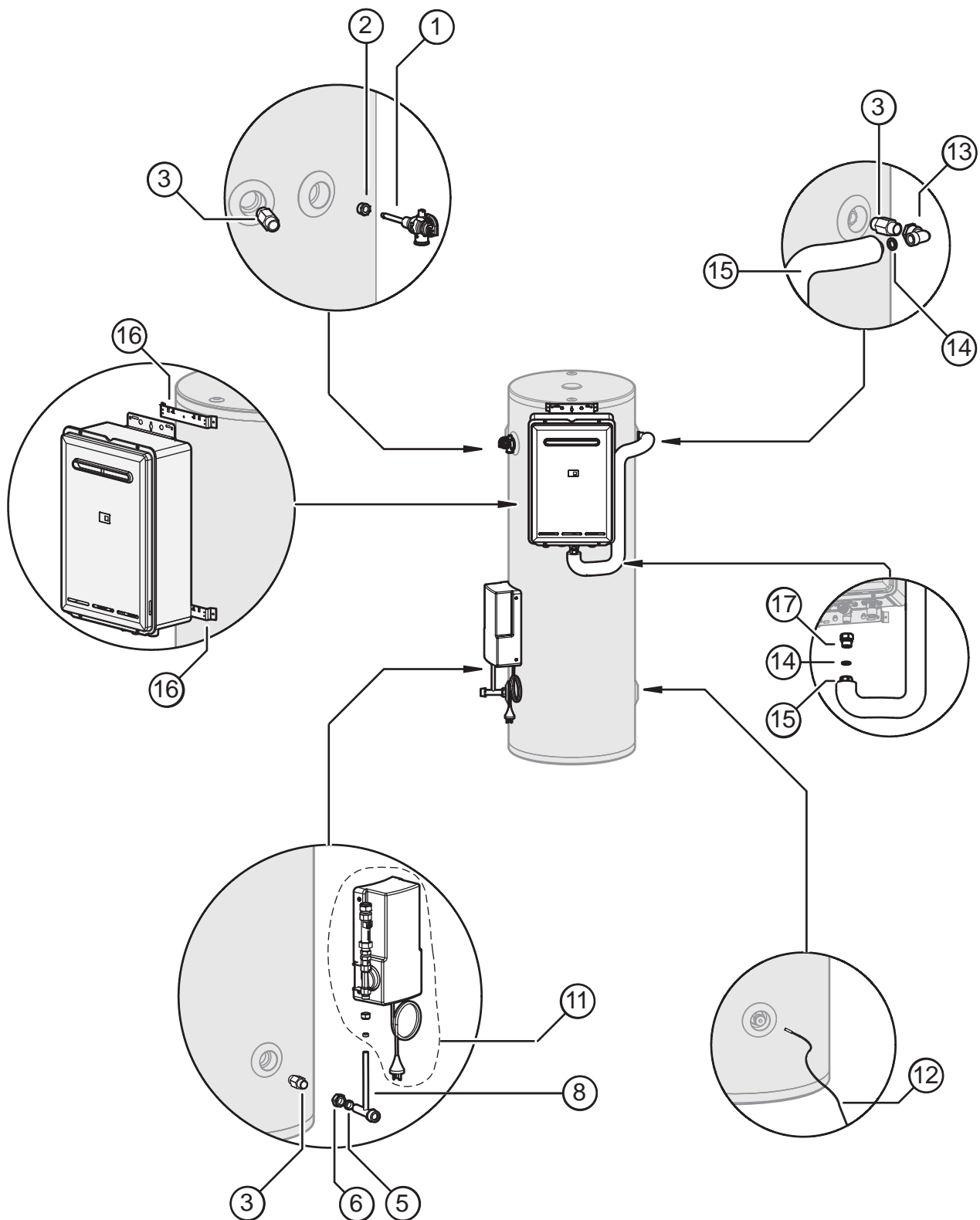
Step 4. Secure lower mounting bracket to cylinder using screws provided.



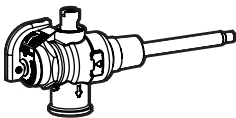

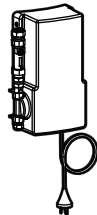
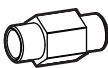
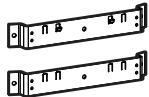






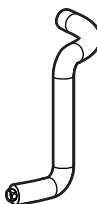

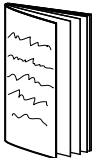

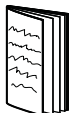
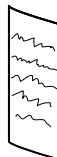
If the gas booster is not mounted on the storage cylinder, ensure that the wall or structure on which it is to be mounted is capable of supporting the weight of the appliance and associated pipe work. Refer to the table on page 15 for individual gas booster weights. For gas boosters installed on elevated structures or under floors specific requirements apply, refer to AS/NZS 5601 for details. Location of gas booster flue terminal must be in accordance with AS/NZS 5601. Refer page 34.

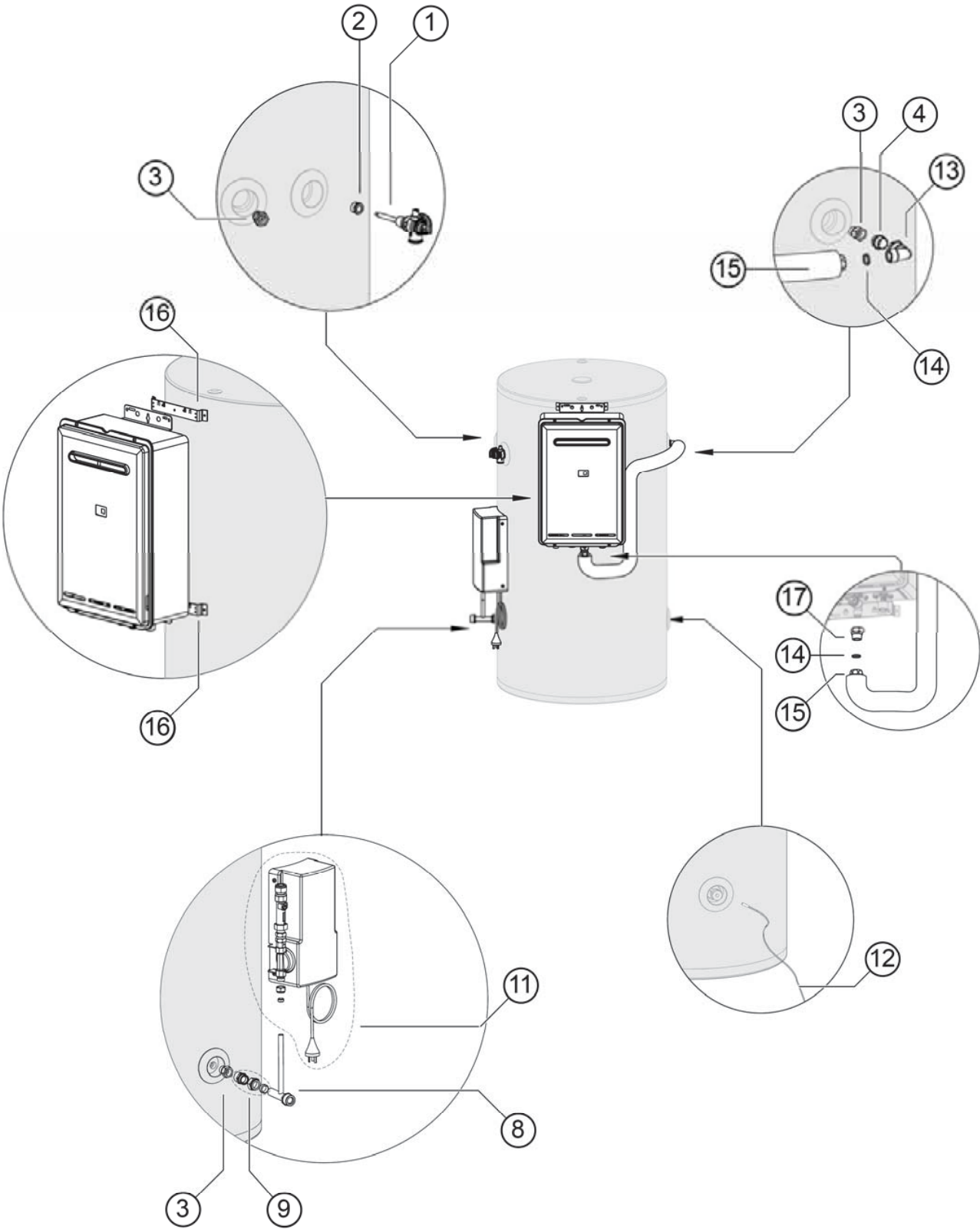
COMPONENTS AND INSTALLATION DIAGRAMS

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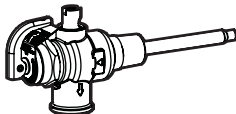




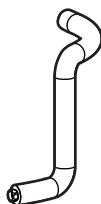

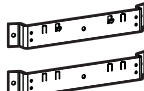



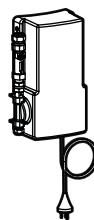

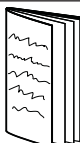






**Glass Lined SG175, ESG175, SG215 or ESG215 with SGPKIT2A**

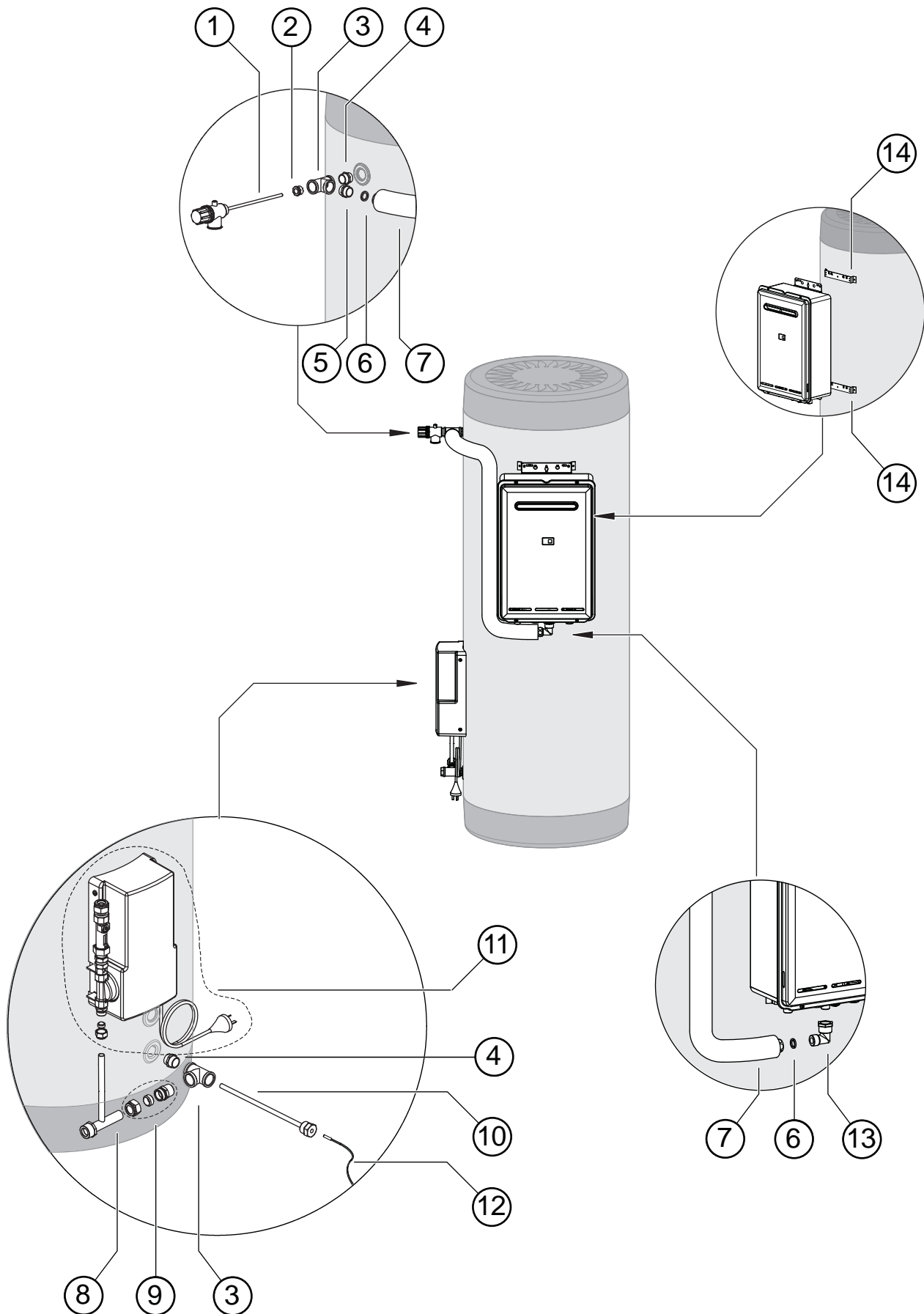
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| 2                                   | 1  | <br>Adaptor R 3/4 x Rp 1/2   | 11                                  | 1 | <br>Pump & Controller Assembly 39001738<br>includes:<br>• 2 x 1/2" Kinco nut & olive 11001042<br>• Flow control valve 27801713<br>• Non return valve 31002710<br>• Temperature sensor lead 30001754<br>• Pump 31002703<br>• Control Box |
| 3                                   | 3  | <br>Nipple R 3/4   |                                     |   |  |
| 16                                  | 2  | <br>Gas Booster Mounting Brackets<br>1 x tabs bent 26601098<br>1 x tabs unbent 26601096                  | 12                                  | 1 | <br>Temperature Sensor with 2 m lead<br>Part of Pump and Controller Assembly,<br>but shown separately for clarity in diagrams 31002710  |
| <b>Items Supplied with SGPKIT2A</b> |    |   |                                     |   |  |
| 5                                   | 1  | <br>3/4 Kinco Olive 33001011   | 13                                  | 2 | <br>Elbow 3/4 Rp x 3/4 G flexi 21201012  |
| 6                                   | 1  | <br>3/4 Kinco Nut 16801018   | 14                                  | 2 | <br>Fibre Washer 3/4 17401008   |
| 8                                   | 1  | <br>Cold Inlet Copper T 11603921   | 15                                  | 1 | <br>Insulated Flexi Pipe 890 mm 11601070  |
| -                                   | 10 | <br>Screws 22601048  |                                     |   |  |
| -                                   | 1  | <br>Operation and Installation Manual 15401023<br>USE MANUAL 15401100 INSTEAD                          | 17                                  | 1 | <br>Adaptor Rp 3/4 x G 3/4 (flexi) 16601006   |
| -                                   | 1  | <br>Warranty booklet 15401041<br>MAY BE OLD VERSION - USE BOOKLET<br>SUPPLIED IN EVAC TUBE INSTALL KIT | -                                   | 1 | <br>STC form 15401023<br>MAY BE OLD VERSION - USE FORM<br>SUPPLIED IN EVAC TUBE INSTALL KIT   |

Glass Lined **SG270SL, ESG270SL, SG320SL, or ESG320SL with SGPKIT3A**

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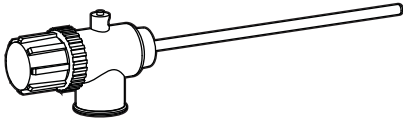


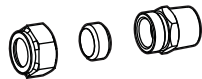

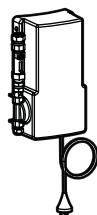



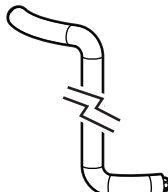





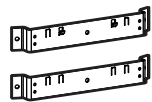
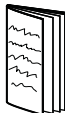

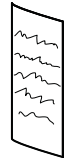

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| 1                            | 1 | <div></div> <div>PTR Valve92501190</div>  | 13                                  | 1 | <div></div> <div>Elbow 3/4 Rp x 3/4 G flexi21201012</div>  |
| 2                            | 1 | <div></div> <div>Adaptor R 3/4 x Rp 1/2</div>   | 14                                  | 2 | <div></div> <div>Fibre Washer 3/417401008</div>  |
| 3                            | 3 | <div></div> <div>Adaptor R 3/4 x Rp 3/4</div>   | 15                                  | 1 | <div></div> <div>Insulated Flexi Pipe 1080 mm11601069</div>  |
| Items Supplied with SGPKIT3A |   |  |                                     |   |   |
| 4                            | 1 | <div></div> <div>R 3/4 Nipple17201005</div>   | 16                                  | 2 | <div></div> <div>Gas Booster Mounting Brackets<br/>1 x tabs bent26601098<br/>1 x tabs unbent26601096</div>                  |
| 8                            | 1 | <div></div> <div>Cold Inlet Copper T11603921</div>   |                                     |   |   |
| 9                            | 1 | <div></div> <div>G3/4 (Comp) x R 3/4 union32201713</div>  | 17                                  | 1 | <div></div> <div>Adaptor Rp 3/4 x G 3/4 (flexi)16601006</div>  |
| 11                           | 1 | <div></div> <div>Pump &amp; Controller Assembly39001739</div> <div>includes:<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• 2 x 1/2" Kinco nut &amp; olive11001033</li><li>• Flow control valve27801713</li><li>• Non return valve31002710</li><li>• Temperature sensor lead30001754</li><li>• Pump31002703</li><li>• Control Box</li></ul></div> | -                                   | 4 | <div></div> <div>Screws22601048</div>  |
|                              |   |  | -                                   | 1 | <div></div> <div>Operation and Installation Manual15401023<br/>USE MANUAL 15401100 INSTEAD</div>                           |
|                              |   |  | -                                   | 1 | <div></div> <div>Warranty booklet15401041<br/>MAY BE OLD VERSION - USE BOOKLET<br/>SUPPLIED IN EVAC TUBE INSTALL KIT</div> |
| 12                           | 1 | <div></div> <div>Temperature Sensor with 2 m lead<br/>Part of Pump and Controller Assembly,<br/>but shown separately for clarity in diagrams31002710</div>  | -                                   | 1 | <div></div> <div>STC form15401023<br/>MAY BE OLD VERSION - USE FORM<br/>SUPPLIED IN EVAC TUBE INSTALL KIT</div>            |
|                              |   |  | -                                   | 1 | <div></div> <div>Gas Booster Mounting Template15401034</div>   |

**Stainless Steel Gas Boost with USKIT1A**





# Stainless Steel Gas Boosted with USKIT1A

| Items Supplied with Cylinder |   |  | Items Supplied in USKIT1A |   |  |
|------------------------------|---|--|---------------------------|---|--|
| 1                            | 1 | <br>PTR Valve 11004784  | 8                         | 1 | <br>Cold Inlet Copper T 11603921  |
| 2                            | 1 | <br>Adaptor R 3/4 x Rp 1/2 19801004   | 9                         | 1 | <br>G3/4 (Comp) x R 3/4 union 32201713  |
| 3                            | 2 | <br>T 3/4 Rp 19001011   | 11                        | 1 | <br>Pump & Controller Assembly 39001739<br>includes:<br>• 2 x 1/2" Kinco nut & olive 11001033<br>• Flow control valve 27801713<br>• Non return valve 31002710<br>• Temperature sensor lead 30001754<br>• Pump 31002703<br>• Control Box |
| 4                            | 2 | <br>R 3/4 Nipple 17201005   |                           |   |  |
| 5                            | 1 | <br>Adaptor R 3/4 to G 3/4 (flexi) 17201006   |                           |   |  |
| 6                            | 2 | <br>Fibre Washer 3/4 17401008   |                           |   |  |
| 7                            | 1 | <br>Insulated Flexi Pipe 1080 mm 11601069   | 12                        | 1 | <br>Temperature Sensor with 2 m lead<br>Part of Pump and Controller Assembly,<br>but shown separately for clarity in diagrams 31002710  |
| 10                           | 1 | <br>Temperature Sensor Sheath 250 mm 10204721   | -                         | 6 | <br>Screws 22601048   |
| 13                           | 1 | <br>Elbow 3/4 Rp x 3/4 G flexi 21201012   | -                         | 1 | <br>Operation and Installation Manual 15401023<br>USE MANUAL 15401100 INSTEAD   |
| 14                           | 2 | <br>Gas Booster Mounting Brackets<br>1 x tabs bent 26601098<br>1 x tabs unbent 26601096 | -                         | 1 | <br>Warranty booklet 15401041<br>MAY BE OLD VERSION - USE BOOKLET<br>SUPPLIED IN EVAC TUBE INSTALL KIT  |
| -                            | 8 | <br>Screws 22601048   | -                         | 1 | <br>STC form 15401023<br>MAY BE OLD VERSION - USE FORM<br>SUPPLIED IN EVAC TUBE INSTALL KIT   |
| -                            | 1 | <br>Gas Booster Mounting Template 15401040  |                           |   |  |

## INSTALLATION PROCEDURE

### 1. Install Solar Collectors

Position and install the solar collectors in accordance with the section 'Installation - Evacuated Tubes' on page 21.

### 2. Position Storage Cylinder

Position the hot water storage cylinder on a level base in accordance with the section 'Storage Cylinder Location' on page 16.

### 3. Connect PTR Valve

Connect the PTR Valve in the location shown in the relevant diagram on pages 36 to 41. Leave the valve outlet pointing down. Tighten the valve using the spanner flats - never use the valve body.

The PTR Valve must be adequate for the thermal loading applied to the storage cylinder. In the case of gas boosted systems, the thermal load is applied only by the solar collectors. The continuous flow hot water heater does not apply thermal load to the storage cylinder. The potential solar output for the solar collectors at PTR Valve relief conditions is listed in the table on page 9.

The PTR Valve pressure ratings vary according to the cylinder specifications. The maximum heater input rating is 10.0 kW. The PTR valve rating **MUST EXCEED** the total input from the solar collectors. If it does not, the PTR valve **MUST** be exchanged for a model of higher capacity.

For example, for a gas boosted solar system with 2 x EVT20A collectors, the thermal load is  $2 \times 1.63 = 3.26$  kW. This is less than 10.0 kW, hence the supplied PTR valve is of sufficient capacity.

Use Teflon thread tape on the valve, never use hemp or other sealing materials. Ensure the tape does not protrude past the end of the thread, which could result in it hanging over the end of the thread and blocking the water passage through the valve.

### 4. Mount Gas Booster

Mount the gas booster in accordance with the section 'Gas Booster Mounting' on page 35.

### 5. Connect Fittings and Mount Pump Assembly

Connect fittings and pipe work as shown in the relevant diagram on pages 36 to 41. Remove cover of pump box and attach pump box to cylinder using screws provided. **DO NOT** connect the power lead to power supply at this stage.

### 6. Set Frost Protection Mode

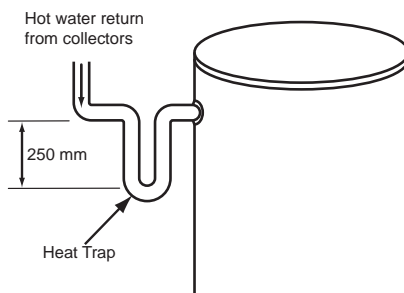
Adjust Dip Switches on Solar Controller to give the required frost protection. (Refer page 19).



### 7. Install and Connect Flow and Return Pipe Work

Connect flow and return pipe work between storage cylinder and solar collector. Ensure that suitable pipe and insulation is used as described in the section 'Water Pipes' on page 17.

A heat trap is recommended on the return line from the cylinder if the pipework is to rise vertically to prevent heat losses due to the thermosyphoning of hot water from the tank.



## 8. Connect Temperature Sensor Leads

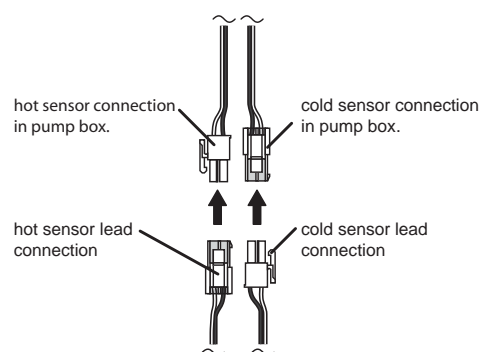
The hot (longer) temperature sensor lead should be fitted into the air bleed / hot sensor lead assembly at the collector hot return connection as shown on page 31. It must be sealed in place with thermoplastic putty or silicone.

Run the lead down the solar return pipe and connect it to the connection within the pump and controller assembly as shown in the diagram. Ensure the lead is protected from light.

The cold (shorter) temperature sensor lead should be fitted as shown in the relevant diagram on pages 36 to 40.

Ensure the lead is protected from light. It must be sealed in place with thermoplastic putty or silicone. The plug is then connected to the pump and controller assembly as shown in the diagram.

Replace Pump Assembly Cover.



IT IS IMPORTANT THAT THESE PROBES ARE INSTALLED AS SPECIFIED. FAILURE TO DO SO WILL LEAD TO MALFUNCTION OR LACK OF HOT WATER

## 9. Cold Water Supply

Connect cold water supply to the inlet 'T'. Ensure that the relevant valves are fitted as described in the section 'Valves and Fittings' on page 20.

Purge the cold water supply lines to remove air and swarf before final connection.

## 10. Relief Drain Lines

Independent 15 mm copper pipes must be fitted to the drain outlets of the PTR and ECV. Each pipe must be open to atmosphere and run with a continual downward grade in a frost free environment to a visible discharge point. Drain lines must not exceed 9 metres in length.

Valves or other restrictions must not be placed in the relief valve drain outlet line.



Some water will drip from the drain lines during heating of the water in the storage cylinder. It is recommended to discharge directly above a drain.

## 11. Hot Water Discharge

Connect the hot water outlet of the gas booster to the pipe work supplying hot water to the premises.



A temperature limiting device may be required as detailed in the section 'Hot Water Delivery Temperature' on page 18.

## 12. Connect Gas to Booster

Connect a suitable gas supply and isolating valve to the gas booster. Follow instructions supplied with gas booster. Keep gas booster isolated at this stage.

## FILLING THE SYSTEM



Ensure building occupants are warned to stay clear of the solar system components, building perimeter and roof since hot water or steam may be discharged from pipes or components.

1. Ensure the electric power supplies to the water heater and pump kit are switched 'OFF'.
2. Ensure the gas supply to the continuous flow water heater is isolated.
3. Turn 'ON' the hot water tap at the sink. Open the stop cock in the cold water mains supply line.
4. The entire system will now be filled with cold water. Most air will be dispelled through the tap. Some air needs to be bled from the air bleed valve on the collectors.
5. Turn 'OFF' the hot tap at the sink when water flows freely without air bubbles or air bursts. Check all connections for leakage and tighten if necessary. This applies especially to fittings in positions not easily accessed such as near the solar collectors. Operate the easing gear of both the PTR and ECV valves at the storage cylinder to ensure these valves are functional.



If leaks are detected the system must be drained and leaks repaired before the system is refilled. If this is necessary, cover the solar collectors with packaging cardboard or a tarp to prevent them from heating which could result in steam or hot water being discharged from fittings..

## CHECKING SOLAR PUMP OPERATION

1. Ensure hot and cold sensors are connected as shown on page 43.
2. Activate power supply.
3. Pumps will operate when solar energy is available to be collected. Pump operation can be checked by placing the end of a screw driver to the pump body and the other end of the screw driver near your ear.

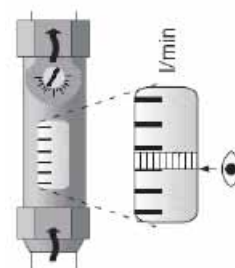
## ADJUSTING FLOW CONTROL VALVE



If the solar pump does not activate the system can still be commissioned as detailed in these instructions, but solar preheating will not be available until the pump and controller operate.

The purpose of the flow control valve is to allow the water flow rate through the evacuated tube header and storage cylinder to be controlled to optimise the performance of the system. The optimum flow rate for the system will depend on the number of evacuated tubes and the type of storage cylinder.

The flow control valve needs to be adjusted while the pump is operating. The flow rate valve is read at the bottom of the baffle float as shown. Using a flat bladed screw driver turn the screw on the valve until the value from the table below is achieved



| Number of Evacuated Tubes | Suggested Flowrate (l/min) |
|---------------------------|----------------------------|
| 20                        | 0.5                        |
| 25                        | 0.55                       |
| 30                        | 0.6                        |
| 40                        | 0.65                       |

## PRE SOLAR HEATING CHECKS

Before commencing solar heating of the water in the system ensure the following actions have been completed:

### Solar Collectors

1. Are the solar collectors installed with the correct slope and orientation to the sun?
2. Is the installation finished neatly with the roof made good, all tiles and flashings in place?
3. Are the bolts tight on the roof framework?
4. Are all solar collector straps fitted and correctly anchored to the roof structure?
5. If leak testing completed and successful, have any covers been removed from the solar collectors?
6. Has operation of the solar pump been checked?
7. Have the hot and cold sensors and leads been positioned and connected correctly?

### Gas Booster

1. Ensure the gas supply is isolated. Remove the test point screw located on the gas inlet connection and attach a pressure gauge.
2. Turn on the electrical power to the gas booster only (not the solar pump kit) and turn on the gas supply.
3. Ensure the cold water inlet ('trio') valve on the storage cylinder inlet is open. Open all available hot water taps.
4. Operate ALL other gas appliances at their maximum gas rate, in accordance with manufacturers instructions.



Ensure building occupants do not have access to hot water outlets during this procedure.

5. With all gas appliances in operation at the maximum gas rate, the pressure should read between 1.13 - 3.0 kPa on Natural Gas. On LPG the pressure should be 2.75 - 3.0 kPa. If the pressure is lower, the gas supply is inadequate and the appliance will not operate to specification. It is the installers responsibility to check the gas meter, service regulator and pipe work for correct operation/ sizing & rectify as required. Note that the gas regulator on the appliance is electronically controlled and factory pre-set. Under normal circumstances it DOES NOT need adjustment during installation. Make adjustments only if the gas booster is not operating correctly and all other possible causes for incorrect operation have been eliminated. Instructions for gas pressure setting are located in the pocket behind the front cover of the gas booster.
6. Close the hot water taps including the shower.
7. Close the cold water inlet ('trio') valve on the storage cylinder inlet and inspect and clean the strainer. Repeat for the strainer connected at the inlet of the gas booster. This procedure may need to be repeated to ensure the strainers remains clear, especially on new installations.
8. Confirm the hot water delivery temperature from the gas booster. This is done by checking the hot water delivery temperature at an untempered outlet close to the water heater. This is usually the hot water outlet in the kitchen. The untempered hot water delivery should be between 65°C & 70°C.

### Temperature Limiting Devices

1. Commission any temperature limiting devices in accordance with the instructions supplied by the manufacturer.
2. Confirm the hot water delivery temperature at a tempered water outlet. Tempered water outlets should be those supplying areas primarily used for the purposes of personal hygiene such as bathrooms. The hot water delivery temperature should not exceed 50°C or 45°C as detailed in the section 'Hot Water Delivery Temperature' on page 18.

## SOLAR HEATING

1. Remove any cardboard or tarp covers that may have been placed over the solar collectors to prevent them from heating water during installation and commissioning.
2. Activate electrical power to both the gas booster and solar pump and controller. Solar heating of the water in the cylinder will now commence when sufficient solar radiation is available.

## FINISHING THE INSTALLATION

1. After testing is completed explain to the householder the functions and operation of solar water heater components and the importance of carrying out Maintenance as per separate warranty document.
2. Complete the installation record at the back of the manual.
3. **Leave this manual and the warranty booklet with the householder.**

## DRAINING INSTRUCTIONS

1. The power supply to the gas booster and pump controller must be switched off and fuse(s) removed.
2. Close the cold water mains supply stop cock.
3. Open a hot tap to relieve pressure.
4. Disconnect the hot outlet near the top of the storage cylinder.
5. Disconnect the cold inlet near the bottom of the storage cylinder.
6. Disconnect the connection between the solar 'flow pipe' and solar pump.
7. Disconnect the connection between the solar 'return pipe' and the cylinder.
8. The cylinder and solar collectors will now drain completely

# INSTALLATION - ELECTRIC BOOSTED SYSTEMS

## OVERVIEW OF SYSTEM COMPONENTS

The range of electric boosted solar hot water systems include all the components shown on pages 48 to 51. (refer to the appropriate diagram depending on cylinder type/size and kit).

The pump kit and associated plumbing connections are factory pre-assembled. All other components and fittings will require connection on site.

## ELECTRIC SUPPLY



Electrical connection must be carried out by a qualified person and in accordance with AS/NZS 3000 'Wiring Rules' and local authority requirements.

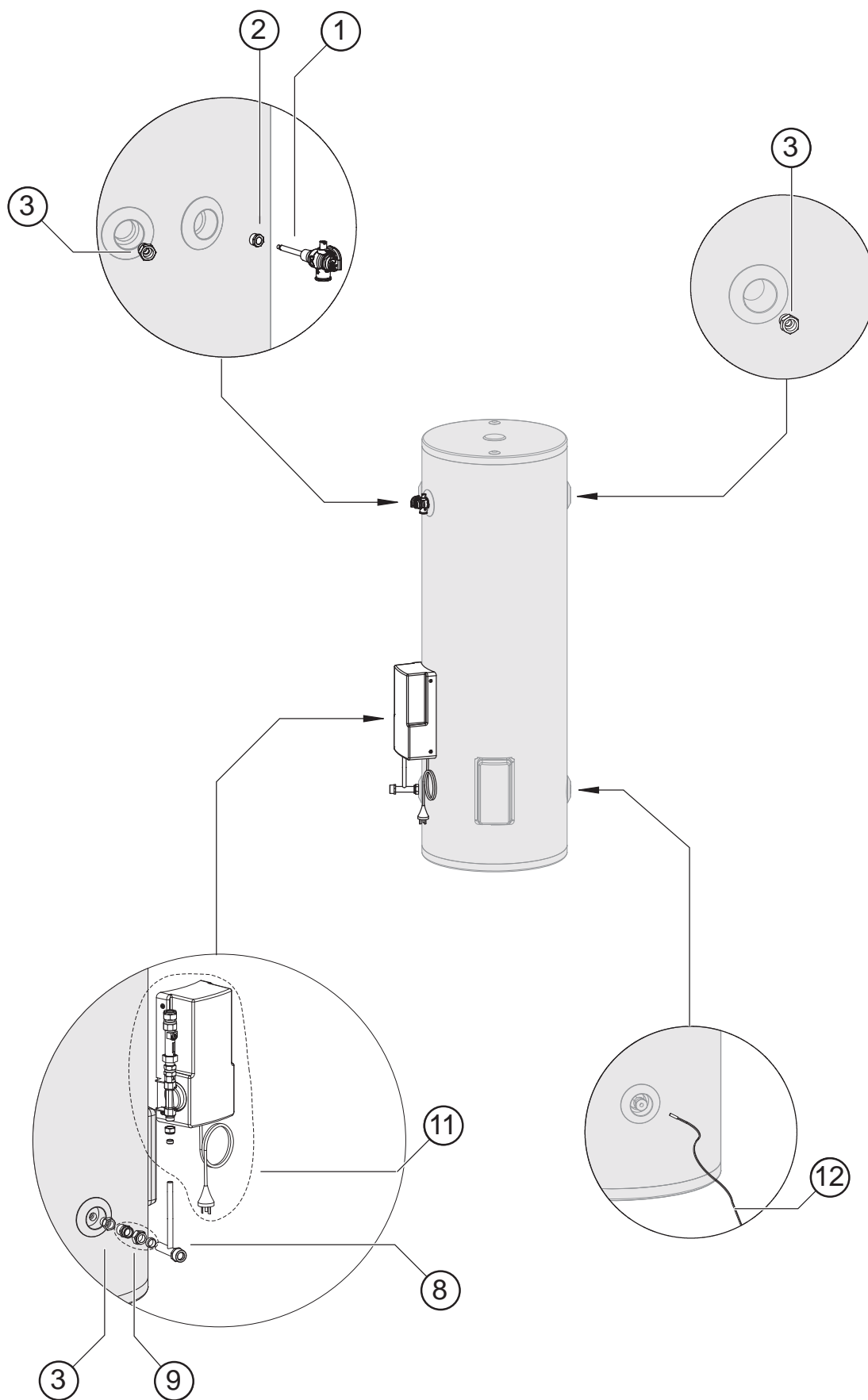
All electrically boosted solar hot water heating elements must be connected to an independent, fused, AC 240V 50 Hz power supply with an isolating switch installed at the switch board. Ensure the household wiring to the system is capable of withstanding the system electrical load (refer to specifications for electrical load details). Twin element models are factory wired for 'non' simultaneous operation.

The solar pump kit requires an AC 240V power supply from a 10A earthed power point adjacent to the storage cylinder. For outdoor installations this power point must be weatherproof. This power supply must be independent from the power supply to any heating elements.

## HOT WATER STORAGE AND DELIVERY TEMPERATURE

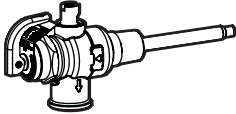




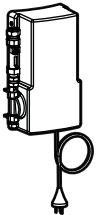


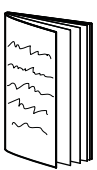
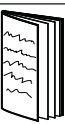
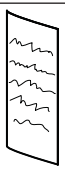
Australian Standards require a minimum storage cylinder thermostat set point of 60°C.

# **Glass Lined Electric Boosted Systems with USKIT1A**

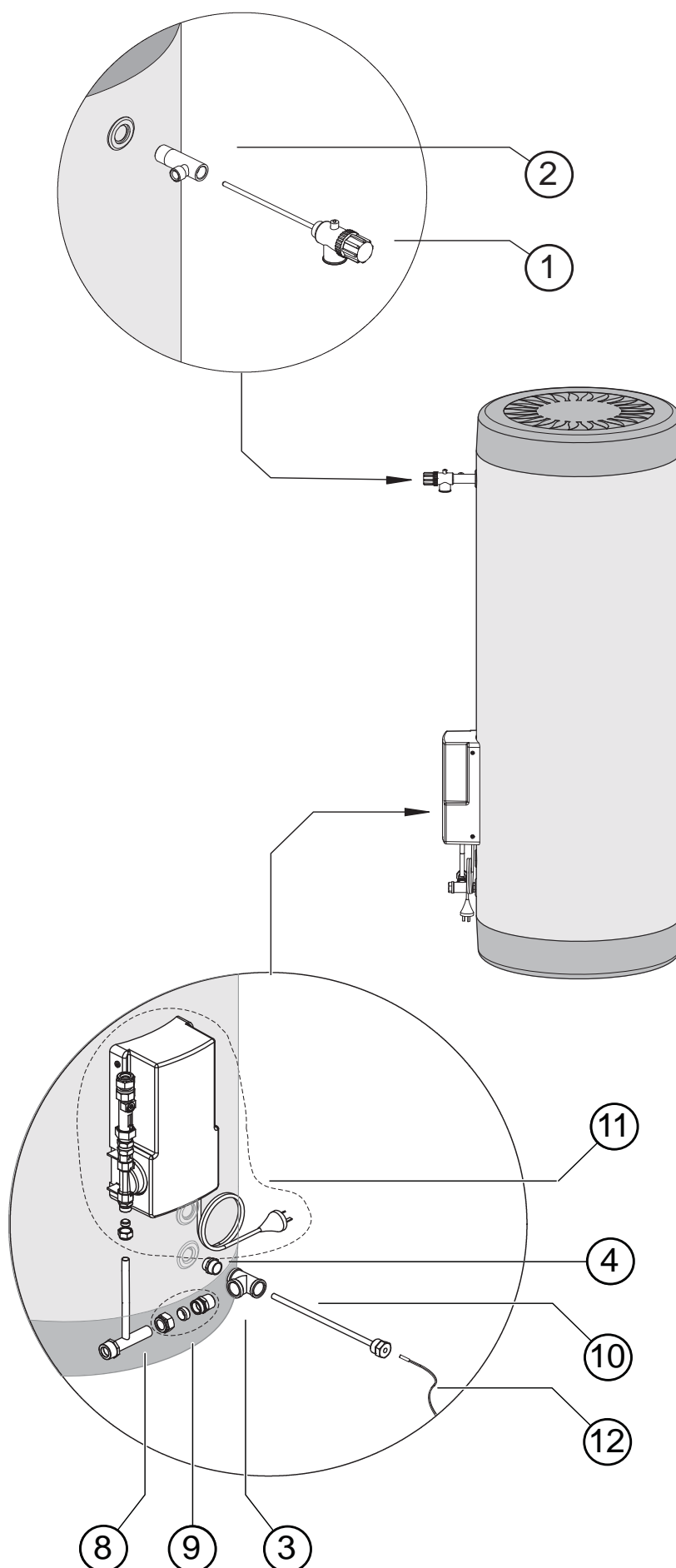




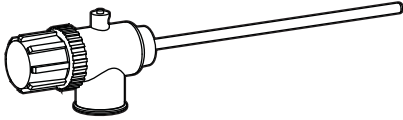

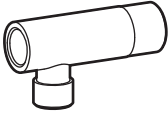
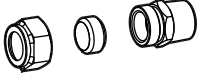

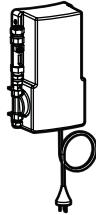




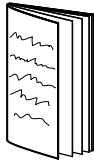
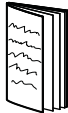
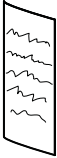
# Glass Lined Electric Boosted Systems with USKIT1A

| Items Supplied with Cylinder |   |   | Items Supplied in USKIT1A |   |  |
|------------------------------|---|---|---------------------------|---|--|
| 1                            | 1 | <br>PTR Valve 92501190     | 8                         | 1 | <br>Cold Inlet Copper T 11603921  |
| 2                            | 1 | <br>Adaptor R 3/4 x Rp 1/2 | 9                         | 1 | <br>G3/4 (Comp) x R 3/4 union 32201713  |
| 3                            | 3 | <br>Adaptor R 3/4 x Rp 3/4 | 11                        | 1 | <br>Pump & Controller Assembly 39001739<br>includes:<br>• 2 x 1/2" Kinco nut & olive 11001033<br>• Flow control valve 27801713<br>• Non return valve 31002710<br>• Temperature sensor lead 30001754<br>• Pump 31002703<br>• Control Box |
|                              |   |   | 12                        | 1 | <br>Temperature Sensor with 2 m lead<br>Part of Pump and Controller Assembly,<br>but shown separately for clarity in diagrams 31002710  |
|                              |   |   | -                         | 6 | <br>Screws 22601048   |
|                              |   |   | -                         | 1 | <br>Operation and Installation Manual 15401023<br>USE MANUAL 15401100 INSTEAD   |
|                              |   |   | -                         | 1 | <br>Warranty booklet 15401041<br>MAY BE OLD VERSION - USE BOOKLET<br>SUPPLIED IN EVAC TUBE INSTALL KIT  |
|                              |   |   | -                         | 1 | <br>STC form 15401023<br>MAY BE OLD VERSION - USE FORM<br>SUPPLIED IN EVAC TUBE INSTALL KIT   |

# **Stainless Steel Electric Boosted with USKIT1A**



# Stainless Steel Gas Boosted with USKIT1A

| Items Supplied with Cylinder |   |  | Items Supplied in USKIT1A |   |  |
|------------------------------|---|--|---------------------------|---|--|
| 1                            | 1 | <br>PTR Valve 11004784                        | 8                         | 1 | <br>Cold Inlet Copper T 11603921  |
| 2                            | 1 | <br>Hot Outlet T 19001018                     | 9                         | 1 | <br>G3/4 (Comp) x R 3/4 union 32201713  |
| 3                            | 1 | <br>T 3/4 Rp 19001011                         | 11                        | 1 | <br>Pump & Controller Assembly 39001739<br>includes:<br>• 2 x 1/2" Kinco nut & olive 11001033<br>• Flow control valve 27801713<br>• Non return valve 31002710<br>• Temperature sensor lead 30001754<br>• Pump 31002703<br>• Control Box |
| 4                            | 1 | <br>R 3/4 Nipple 17201005                     |                           |   |  |
| 10                           | 1 | <br>Temperature Sensor Sheath 250 mm 10204721 |                           |   |  |
|                              |   |  | 12                        | 1 | <br>Temperature Sensor with 2 m lead<br>Part of Pump and Controller Assembly,<br>but shown separately for clarity in diagrams 31002710  |
|                              |   |  | -                         | 6 | <br>Screws 22601048   |
|                              |   |  | -                         | 1 | <br>Operation and Installation Manual 15401023<br>USE MANUAL 15401100 INSTEAD   |
|                              |   |  | -                         | 1 | <br>Warranty booklet 15401041<br>MAY BE OLD VERSION - USE BOOKLET<br>SUPPLIED IN EVAC TUBE INSTALL KIT  |
|                              |   |  | -                         | 1 | <br>STC form 15401023<br>MAY BE OLD VERSION - USE BOOKLET<br>SUPPLIED IN EVAC TUBE INSTALL KIT  |

## INSTALLATION PROCEDURE

### 1. Install Solar Collectors

Position and install the solar collectors in accordance with the section 'Installation - Evacuated Tubes' on page 21.

### 2. Position Storage Cylinder

Position the hot water storage cylinder on a level base in accordance with the section 'Storage Cylinder Location' on page 16.

### 3. Connect PTR Valve

Connect the PTR Valve in the location shown in the relevant diagram on pages 48 to 51.

Leave the valve outlet pointing down. Tighten the valve using the spanner flats - never use the valve body.

The PTR Valve must be adequate for the thermal loading applied to the storage cylinder. In the case of gas boosted systems, the thermal load is applied only by the solar collectors. The continuous flow hot water heater does not apply thermal load to the storage cylinder. The potential solar output for the solar collectors at PTR Valve relief conditions is listed in the table on page 10.

The PTR Valve pressure ratings vary according the cylinder specifications. The maximum heater input rating is 10.0 kW. The PTR valve rating **MUST EXCEED** the total input from the solar collectors. If it does not, the PTR valve **MUST** be exchanged for a model of higher capacity.

For example, for an electric boosted solar system with a 3.6 kW element and 2 x EVT20A collectors, the thermal load is  $2 \times 1.63 + 3.6 = 6.86$  kW. This is less than 10.0 kW, hence the supplied PTR valve is of sufficient capacity.

Use Teflon thread tape on the valve, never use hemp or other sealing materials. Ensure the tape does not protrude past the end of the thread, which could result in it hanging over the end of the thread and blocking the water passage through the valve.

### 4. Connect Fittings and Mount Pump Assembly

Connect fittings and pipe work as shown in the relevant diagram from page 48 to 51. Remove cover of pump box and attach pump box to cylinder using screws provided. **DO NOT** connect the power lead to power supply at this stage.

### 5. Set Frost Protection Mode

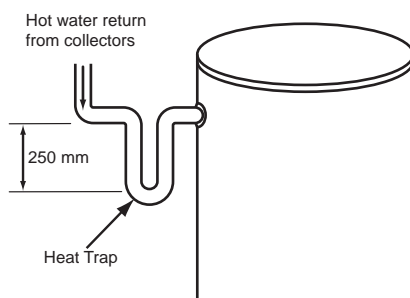
Adjust Dip Switches on Solar Controller to give the required frost protection. (Refer to the section 'Frost Protection Mode' on page 19.).



### 6. Install and Connect Flow and Return Pipe Work

Connect flow and return pipe work between storage cylinder and solar collector. Ensure that suitable pipe and insulation is used as described in the section 'Water Pipes' on page 17.

A heat trap is recommended on the return line from the cylinder if the pipework is to rise vertically to prevent heat losses due to the thermosyphoning of hot water from the tank.



## 7. Connect Temperature Sensor Leads

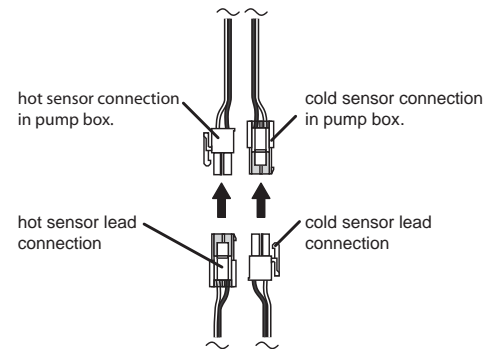
The hot (longer) temperature sensor lead should be fitted into the pocket on the evacuated tube header as shown on page 31. It must be sealed in place with thermoplastic putty or silicone.

Run the lead down the solar return pipe and connect it to the connection within the pump and controller assembly as shown in the diagram. Ensure the lead is protected from light.

The cold (shorter) temperature sensor lead should be fitted as shown in the relevant diagram on pages 48 to 51.

Ensure the lead is protected from light. It must be sealed in place with thermoplastic putty or silicone. The plug is then connected to the pump and controller assembly as shown in the diagram.

Replace Pump Assembly Cover.



IT IS IMPORTANT THAT THESE PROBES ARE INSTALLED AS SPECIFIED. FAILURE TO DO SO WILL LEAD TO MALFUNCTION OR LACK OF HOT WATER

## 8. Cold Water Supply

Connect cold water supply to the inlet 'T'. Ensure that the relevant valves as described in the section 'Valves and Fittings' on page 20. are fitted.

Purge the cold water supply lines to remove air and swarf before final connection.

## 9. Relief Drain Lines

Independent 15 mm copper pipes must be fitted to the drain outlets of the PTR and ECV. Each pipe must be open to atmosphere and run with a continual downward grade in a frost free environment to a visible discharge point. Drain lines must not exceed 9 metres in length.

Valves or other restrictions must not be placed in the relief valve drain outlet line.



Some water will drip from the drain lines during heating of the water in the storage cylinder. It is recommended to discharge directly above a drain.

## 10. Hot Water Discharge

Connect the hot water outlet of the gas booster to the pipe work supplying hot water to the premises.



A temperature limiting device may be required as detailed in the section 'Hot Water Delivery Temperature' on page 18.

## 11. Connect to Electrical Supply



Twin element storage cylinders are wired for non simultaneous operation. The electric supply should be 'Off-Peak' (overnight) to the bottom heating unit and continuous to the top heating unit.

The power supply to a single lower element model should be Off-Peak (overnight).

The power supply to a single mid element model can be either Off-Peak (overnight), extended Off-Peak (overnight and day) or continuous, depending on the tariffs available from the local electricity supply authority. The Off-Peak (overnight) power supply minimises the cost of any required electric boosting, but may not provide sufficient hot water in periods of low solar gain. Discuss power supply requirements with the end user and electricity supply authority as required.

The image contains two wiring diagrams for electric heaters. The left diagram, titled 'Single Element', shows a heater with a main supply (240 V AC) connected to a thermostat (ST1301133) and a resistive load (240VAC 35A). The thermostat is connected to the active and neutral lines. The main supply is connected to the element. The diagram is labeled 'THERMOSTAT MAY VARY'. The right diagram, titled 'Twin Element', shows a heater with a main supply (240 V AC) connected to a thermostat (ST1301133) and two resistive loads (240VAC 35A). The thermostat is connected to the active and neutral lines. The main supply is connected to the element. The diagram is labeled 'THERMOSTAT MAY VARY'. The diagram also shows the connection of the element to the main supply and the connection of the thermostat to the element.

**Single Element**

ACTIVE  
NEUTRAL  
MAINS SUPPLY  
240 V AC

ST1301133  
ECD-83 DIFF-8  
RESISTIVE LOAD  
240VAC 35A  
THERMOSTAT MAY VARY  
ROBERTSHAW  
20  
2  
ELEMENT  
EARTH

**Twin Element**

RED  
BLACK  
BLUE  
TOP/BOOSTER ELEMENT

NOTE! THERMOSTATS  
MAY VARY

BLACK  
BLUE  
RED  
DAY TARRIFF  
NIGHT J TARRIFF  
NEUTRAL  
MAIN SUPPLY  
240 V AC  
EARTH  
BOTTOM/MAIN ELEMENT

## FILLING THE SYSTEM



Ensure building occupants are warned to stay clear of the solar system components, building perimeter and roof since hot water or steam may be discharged from pipes or components.

1. Ensure the electric power supplies to the water heater and pump kit are switched 'OFF'.
2. Ensure the gas supply to the continuous flow water heater is isolated.
3. Turn 'ON' the hot water tap at the sink. Open the stop cock in the cold water mains supply line.
4. The entire system will now be filled with cold water. Most air will be dispelled through the tap. Some air needs to be bled from the air bleed valve on the collectors.
5. Turn 'OFF' the hot tap at the sink when water flows freely without air bubbles or air bursts. Check all connections for leakage and tighten if necessary. This applies especially to fittings in positions not easily accessed such as near the solar collectors. Operate the easing gear of both the PTR and ECV valves at the storage cylinder to ensure these valves are functional.



If leaks are detected the system must be drained and leaks repaired before the system is refilled. If this is necessary, cover the solar collectors with packaging cardboard or a tarp to prevent them from heating which could result in steam or hot water being discharged from fittings..

## CHECKING SOLAR PUMP OPERATION

1. Ensure hot and cold sensors are connected as shown on page the section 'Connect Temperature Sensor Leads' on page 53.
2. Activate power supply.
3. Pumps will operate when solar energy is available to be collected. Pump operation can be checked by placing the end of a screw driver to the pump body and the other end of the screw driver near your ear.

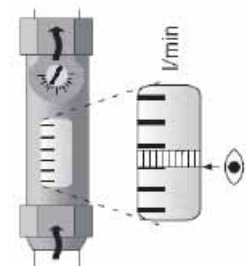
## ADJUSTING FLOW CONTROL VALVE



If the solar pump does not activate the system can still be commissioned as detailed in these instructions, but solar preheating will not be available until the pump and controller operate.

The purpose of the flow control valve is to allow the water flow rate through the evacuated tube header and storage cylinder to be controlled to optimise the performance of the system. The optimum flow rate for the system will depend on the number of evacuated tubes and the type of storage cylinder.

The flow control valve needs to be adjusted while the pump is operating. The flow rate valve is read at the bottom of the baffle float as shown. Using a flat bladed screw driver turn the screw on the valve until the value from the table below is achieved



| Number of Evacuated Tubes | Suggested Flowrate (l/min) |
|---------------------------|----------------------------|
| 20                        | 0.5                        |
| 25                        | 0.55                       |
| 30                        | 0.6                        |
| 40                        | 0.65                       |

## PRE SOLAR HEATING CHECKS

Before commencing solar heating of the water in the system ensure the following actions have been completed:

### Solar Collectors

1. Are the solar collectors installed with the correct slope and orientation to the sun?
2. Is the installation finished neatly with the roof made good, all tiles and flashings in place?
3. Are the bolts tight on the roof framework?
4. Are all solar collector straps fitted and correctly anchored to the roof structure?
5. If leak testing completed and successful, have any covers been removed from the solar collectors?
6. Has operation of the solar pump been checked?
7. Have the hot and cold sensors and leads been positioned and connected correctly?

### Electric Heating Elements

1. In systems with a single heating element only has the thermostat set point been set to at least 60°C and no greater than 70°C.
2. In systems with both a lower and upper (or booster) element, has the thermostat set point of the lower element been set to at least 60° and no greater than 70°. Has the upper element been set to 10° less than the lower element?.

### Temperature Limiting Devices

1. Commission any temperature limiting devices in accordance with the instructions supplied by the manufacturer.
2. Confirm the hot water delivery temperature at a tempered water outlet. Tempered water outlets should be those supplying areas primarily used for the purposes of personal hygiene such as bathrooms. The hot water delivery temperature should not exceed 50°C or 45°C as detailed in the section 'Hot Water Delivery Temperature' on page 18.

### Solar Heating

1. Remove any cardboard or tarp covers that may have been placed over the solar collectors to prevent them from heating water during installation and commissioning.
2. Activate electrical power to both the gas booster and solar pump and controller. Solar heating of the water in the cylinder will now commence when sufficient solar radiation is available.

## AUXILIARY ENERGY SUPPLY

1. Connect the electrical element to the power supply (off peak if available).
2. When the system is full of water turn on electrical supply to element.

## FINISHING THE INSTALLATION

1. After testing is completed explain to the householder the functions and operation of solar water heater components and the importance of carrying out Maintenance as per separate warranty document.
2. Complete the installation record at the back of the manual.
3. **Leave this manual and the warranty booklet with the householder.**



### DRAINING INSTRUCTIONS

1. The power supply to the element and pump controller must be switched off and fuse(s) removed.
2. Close the cold water mains supply stop cock.
3. Open a hot tap to relieve pressure.
4. Disconnect the hot outlet near the top of the storage cylinder.
5. Disconnect the cold inlet near the bottom of the storage cylinder.
6. Disconnect the connection between the solar 'flow pipe' and solar pump.
7. Disconnect the connection between the solar 'return pipe' and the cylinder.
8. The cylinder and solar collectors will now drain completely.



# INSTALLATION - GAS BOOSTED SYSTEMS

## Installer Details

Installers Name: \_\_\_\_\_  
Company Name: \_\_\_\_\_  
Company Address: \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

## Company Contact Details

Telephone: \_\_\_\_\_  
Mobile Phone: \_\_\_\_\_  
Certificate of Compliance / Certification Number: \_\_\_\_\_  
Authorised Persons - Licence Number: \_\_\_\_\_  
Installers Signature: \_\_\_\_\_  
Installation Date: \_\_\_\_\_

## System Details

|                    |                |       |
|--------------------|----------------|-------|
| Storage Cylinder   | Model Number : | _____ |
|                    | Serial Number: | _____ |
| Solar Collector(s) | Model Number : | _____ |
|                    | Serial Number: | _____ |
| Gas Booster        | Model Number : | _____ |
|                    | Serial Number: | _____ |

Installation Address: \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

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