## **Polaris QT Blower Installation Instructions**

# IMPORTANT SAFETY INSTRUCTIONS

When installing and using this electrical equipment, basic safety precautions should always be followed including the following:

## READ AND FOLLOW ALL INSTRUCTIONS.

Installation of this equipment should be performed by a licensed electrician and conform to all National Electric Code (NEC), state and local codes. Installations in Canada must comply with CEC requirements.

#### WARNING - To reduce risk of electric shock.

- Install at least five (5) feet (1.5 m) from water using non-metallic plumbing. Install blower no less than one (1) foot (305 mm) above the maximum water level to prevent water from contacting electrical equipment. Install in accordance with the installation instructions.
- Mount blower vertically, preferably in a shaded area in hot climates.
- Accurately size blower to prevent motor overheating.

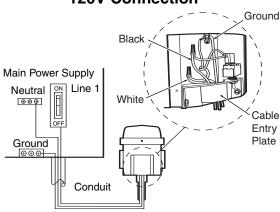
To reduce the risk of injury, do not permit children to use this product unless they are closely supervised at all times.

## SAVE THESE INSTRUCTIONS.

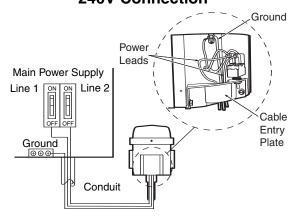
## **Wiring Instructions**

- 1. Pull in voltage source and ground wire from main supply.
- 2. Connect ground wire from supply to ground wire (green) supplied with the blower.
- 3. Connect remaining line wires individually to remaining wires in the blower.

## **120V Connection**



## 240V Connection



## **Installation Guidelines**

- Refer to Blower Sizing section to properly size blower for application.
- Pressure test the system prior to installation.
- Use 2" PVC pipe from the blower to the spa inlet fitting.
- Ensure check valves are accessible for servicing.
- Do not install adjustable jets with the Polaris blower as these can cause excessive back pressure.
- Do not glue the blower to the air line. Glue fumes can explode. Install a 1/4" self-tapping screw to secure joint, if necessary.
- Do not glue or otherwise permanently attach blower to plumbing.
- Do not remove the surge protector.
- Measure the current draw under load using an amp meter. The maximum acceptable amp reduction due to back pressure is:

1.0 amp for 120V 0.5 amp for 240V

To install the blower above water level, the blower airloop or standpipe must stand at least 12" above the maximum water level of the spa to prevent possible water damage to the blower. See Diagrams 1 and 2.

Hydrotherapy jets naturally aerate when installed correctly. Do not use Polaris blower to improve aeration on improperly installed jets. This will damage the blower and void the warranty.

When using the Polaris blower to super-charge jets, install a 1/2 lb. U.L. listed check valve between the blower and the jets to prevent water damage to the blower. See Diagrams 1 and 2.

If blower is installed more than 25 feet from the spa, install a loop to prevent the blower line from filling with water and overworking the blower. The loop should be 12" above the spa level, as close as possible to the spa. See Diagram 2.

To install the blower below water level, or if the blower air line drops below the bottom of the spa, use the Hartford Loop plumbing configuration (see Diagram 3) to prevent the air line from filling with water. Plumb a 1/2 lb. U.L. listed check valve as shown.

Diagram 1 - Typical Installation (5' - 25' from Spa)

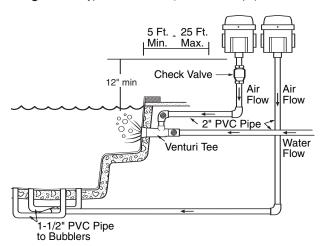


Diagram 2 - Long Run Installation (Over 25' from Spa)

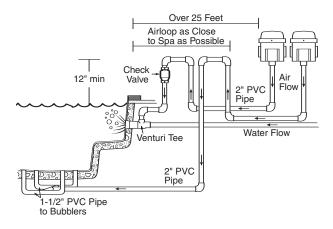
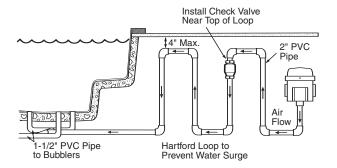


Diagram 3 - Blower Below Water Level



## **Blower Sizing Worksheet**

Accurately sizing the blower for the application is crucial for proper blower function. Damage caused by improperly sized blowers is not covered under the warranty. To calculate blower size:

#### Step 1 – Calculate Back Pressure

Use the formula below to determine the spa's back pressure as an "inches of water" measurement. If available, use an Inches-of-Water gauge.

Measure from water surface to air line (in inches) + No. of feet of 2" pipe divided by 10 + No. of 90° elbows \_\_\_\_ x .5 + No. of 45° elbow \_\_\_\_ x .125 + No. of 1/2 lb check valves \_\_\_ x 4 = \_

**Total Back Pressure** (Inches of Water) =

#### Step 2 - Determine the Airflow

Locate the Total Back Pressure on the left side of the **Blower Performance Chart** and draw a horizontal line. Note where the line intersects each dashed line. Reference the Airflow requirement listed directly below the intersection for each size blower.

#### **Total Airflow SCFM**

(Standard Cubic Feet per Minute)

## Step 3 – Calculate Number of Air Holes

Determine how many air holes are needed to achieve the necessary airflow. Installing less than the required number of holes will increase back pressure. Do not increase back pressure beyond minimum airflow for the blower. Too many holes will result in reduced blower action.

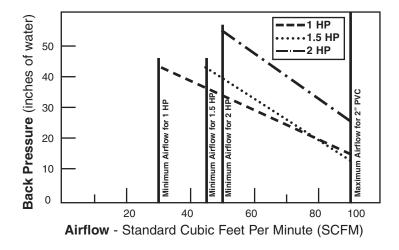
Choose an air hole size from the chart below and apply the adjacent conversion factor in the formula to determine how many holes are required.

Air Hole Size	Conversion Factor	
1/8"	2.4	
5/32"	1.5	
3/16"	1.1	
1/4"	0.6	
3/8"	0.27	
1/2"	0.15	
Jet	0.1	

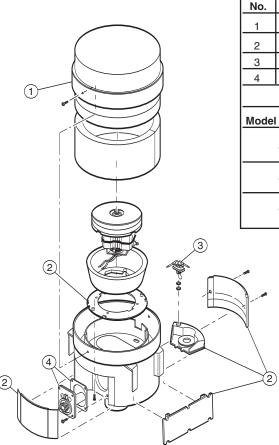
Total Airflow (SCFM) From Step 2 Conversion Factor Χ **Number of Holes Required** 

For more information, contact Polaris Customer Service at 1-800-822-7933 (USA and Canada only) or (760) 599-9600.

## **Blower Performance Chart**



## Polaris QT Blower Exploded Parts Diagram



1	1-400-10	Blower Top	Blower Top			
2	1-400-20	Cover Plate	Cover Plate Set			
3	1-400-30	Switch 120	Switch 120V			
4	1-400-60	Thermo Va	Thermo Valve and Gasket			
Blower Specifications						
Model Number Horsepower Amps Volts				Volts		

Description

Part#

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Blower Specifications						
Model Number	Horsepower	Amps	Volts			
460	1.0	6.8	120			
	1.0	3.8	240			
470	1.5	7.5	120			
	1.5	4.0	240			
480	2.0	9.0	120			
	2.0	5.6	240			

## **Polaris QT Blowers Limited Warranty**

This limited warranty is extended to the original consumer purchaser of this Polaris QT Blower manufactured by Zodiac Pool Care, Inc. ("Zodiac"), 2620 Commerce Way, Vista, California 92081-8438, USA, for one year from the date of purchase. Zodiac warrants the unit it manufactures, including all parts and components thereof, to be free of defects in material and workmanship.

Parts returned under this warranty will be inspected. Damage which, in our judgment, occurred because of misuse, negligence, accident or installation in a commercial application is not covered by the warranty. This warranty is void if the product has been altered or tampered with in any way, including, but not limited to the removal of the accessible wire connector or if the date stamp has been effaced, altered, or removed. Normal wear because of ordinary usage, including motor brushes, is not covered under this warranty.

The consumer may deliver or ship the unit or warranty parts, freight prepaid, to the nearest authorized service center or return it freight prepaid (after proper authorization is obtained from Zodiac Customer Service) to the plant of manufacture. Zodiac will repair or replace, at its option, a unit or part proved to be defective within the warranty period and under the conditions of the warranty.

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