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Arranged by Trades and Tasks				
(Attach pages as addenda to contracts & work-orders.)				
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This manual contains important instructions on designing for, installing, starting, operating, and maintaining your DRY-O-TRON® and system. Please read the entire manual carefully and if you have any questions contact your local Dectron representative.

Your warranty is valid only if conditions explained in this manual are met.

#### To the Installer:

This manual contains vital instructions for installing and starting up the DRY-O-TRON® and system. Please read the entire manual carefully and if you have any questions contact your local Dectron representative. Your customer's satisfaction is at stake and the DRY-O-TRON® warranty may be void if conditions explained in this manual are not met.

#### Heating, Cooling, or Dehumidifying Construction Sites

The DRY-O-TRON<sup>®</sup> unit is not a convenience air conditioner. Its capacity is carefully matched to the expected load. Errors of installation, damage to the unit, and other performance reductions will be obvious once the building begins normal use.

Never use the unit to heat, cool, or dehumidify a construction site. The air coils must be protected against construction dusts until all construction dusts have been removed from the space. Construction dusts bind to the cooling coil permanently and cannot be removed. Once bound, the dusts reduce heat transfer and airflow rate. Filters will not prevent this.

The resulting performance reduction and possible component damage are **<u>not</u>** covered by the Dectron warranty.

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#### **Product Description**

### DRY-O-TRON<sup>®</sup> DA3 Series Energy-Recycling Dehumidifiers

DRY-O-TRON<sup>®</sup> is the original energy recycling dehumidifier. Tens of thousands of units have been installed throughout the world, and DRY-O-TRON<sup>®</sup> has become synonymous with quality, reliability and energy savings.

Dectron Inc., the inventor of DRY-O-TRON<sup>®</sup>, is a company committed to being the absolute best at what they do - providing leading expertise and quality products to customers who need to control high humidity efficiently.

Today's DRY-O-TRON<sup>®</sup> represents years of intensive research and development by a team of highly qualified experts. Dectron has the only large-scale dehumidifier testing and environmental simulation laboratory in the industry. Every DRY-O-TRON<sup>®</sup> model line has been developed in this laboratory, and every customer's unit is factory tested before shipment.

The DRY-O-TRON<sup>®</sup> is available in a broad range of standard products for industrial and commercial applications. We also have a team of highly skilled engineering and manufacturing professionals who are dedicated to custom design projects.

#### Humidity Control Solutions

Your DRY-O-TRON® DA3 Series energy recycling dehumidifier is a precision engineered product, finely tuned to the conditions in your application to achieve maximum performance and energy savings.

The installation of this state-of-theart equipment must be performed by an experienced heating, ventilating and airconditioning technician, preferably trained by Dectron.

The DA3 Series remove moisture from the air therby reducing the relative humidity level and the roomair dew-point temperature. Proper building design is also important to help control problems associated with high relative humidity and condensation.

The DA3 unit has been designed for medium- and hightemperature industrial and commercial applications (64 -100°F) (18 - 38°C).

The DA3 Series:

Δ helps eliminate condensation,
 Δ improves product/proccess quality,
 Δ helps reduce building repair and production maintenance costs,
 Δ provides a comfortably dry

working environmen,t  $\Delta$  contributes to space heating, and  $\Delta$  contributes to space cooling.

The DA3 Series Features:

- $\Delta$  ease of installation
- $\Delta$  low maintenance
- $\Delta$  simplicity of operation
- $\Delta$  remote operator panel
- $\Delta$  energy efficiency
- $\Delta$  optional air conditioning

#### **Sources of Humidity**

Sources of humidity in commercial and industrial facilities include:

- $\Delta$  intentional ventilation air
- $\Delta$  air infiltration through openings
- $\Delta$  permeation through surfaces  $\Delta$  moisture produced by occupants
- $\Delta$  moisture produced by products or processes.

Moisture migrates from areas of higher concentration to areas of lower concentration. In summer, with warm and humid outdoor air, moisture will find a path to the interior of a structure. Such path may be via opening likes doors, windows, gaps, and cracks, or may be via permeation where vapor retarders are inadequate or even missing.

In many instances, the primary source of humidity is from outdoor air purposely brought in to maintain air-quality standards.

Occupants can contribute to the moisture load depending on the number of people and their activity. A worker involved in heavy lifty can generate seven times as much moisture as someone seated and at rest. In agricultural and vetinary buildings, animals also produce a moisture load.

Some processes give off moisture, e.g.

- $\Delta$  open tanks
- $\Delta$  the handling or storing of wood, fruits, or vegetables
- $\Delta$  cooking.

The moisture inside a building will condense onto any surface which has a temperature below the dew point temperature of the room air. This can lead to quality and productivity problems and even to damage of to the building or equipment. Rust and other corrosion can affect metal surfaces and electrical components. These can lead to higher costs and even to potentially hazardous conditions.

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#### How the DRY-O-TRON works

In the DRY-O-TRON®, warm humid air passes through the dehumidifying coil and is cooled below its dew point, causing moisture to be released. The heat captured by this process is combined with compressor heat. The recovered heat is available for recycling back to the supply air, contributing to space heating as needed.

The DA3 unit is also capable of rejecting this heat to an air-cooled (standard) or water-cooled (optional) condenser, resulting in space cooling.

DRYO-TRON® DA3 Series units feature standard microprocessor control. For the owner this means precise automatic control, high reliablility, and ease of use. For the installer and service person, this means simpler installation and startup with built-in diagnostics and troubleshooting should service be required.

When proeprly installed according to Dectron's instructions, the DRY-O-TRON® will give years of trouble-free operation.

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**Unit Nameplate** 

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#### Lifting and Locating

### **Select Air Handler Location**



#### Risk of falling. Can cause injury or death.

Depending on the size and location of this product, some installation, service, and maintenance procedures could expose personnel to the risk of injury or death by falling. Designs should include adequate service and maintenance access. Use fall-protection equipment as appropriate.

Select a suitable location for the unit, where the unit will not be subject to damage.

- 1. Indoor units may not work correctly if the equipment-room temperature goes below 70°F (21°C).
- 2. The location must not contain corrosive-chemical storage, or connect to any space that contains corrosivechemical storage.
- 3. The location must not be in a natatorium or spa room, or any space where the exterior of the unit would be exposed to chloramines outgassing from a pool.
- 4. There are other requirements for suitability see other pages in this section.

Allow working clearances as shown below. Inadequate working spaces may compromise workplace safety. Inadequate working spaces may preclude proper maintenance, such as filter and belt replacement. Inadequate working space may prevent component replacement should that become necessary.

Spacing requirements are also subject to applicable electrical and mechanical codes. This is particularly true where optional built-in electrical disconnects are provided. Check with your local code-enforcement authorities.

Where access doors are hinged, all doors must be able to open at least 90°.

For units with hooded air intakes allow at least 3 feet (1 meter) of clear space around the hood for smooth intake airflow. Intake air hoods should be suitably separated from such sources of contamination as drain vents and burner flues. See appropriate codes and standards.

Some horizontal units may have condensate-drain connections on the bottom of the unit. Clearances and pipe connections should be completed before the unit is actually placed.

#### Working Clearances



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# Lifting and Locating Air Handler Underside Piping

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Risk of leaking water. Can cause property damage.

This product requires a free-flowing drain. Freezing or other abnormal conditions could cause leakage or overflow. Do not locate this product above any equipment that could be damaged by water.

#### Bottom Condensate Drain Connection(s)

Note: Units with the SmartSaver® heat-recovery option may have more than one condensate drain.

Allow a minimum 12-inch clearance for the bottom drain connection. On horizontal units, a P-trap must be installed and filled with water to prevent air from entering the unit (which is under negative pressure) and to assure proper drainage of the condensate. Failure to do so will cause the drain pan to overflow.

Use schedule 40 PVC or standard ABS plastic drainage pipe and slope the condensate drain line in the direction of flow at least 1/4 inch per foot (0.2cm/m). The drain line must discharge through an air gap to a vented non-freezing point.

If a condensate pump is used, it must have sufficient pump head to overcome vertical lift, check valve cracking pressure, and water pressure if pumped into a pressurized pipeline. When connecting to a pressurized pipeline, a check valve and normally-closed solenoid valve should be installed in the condensate pump discharge line, with the valve only opening during pump operation. Do not connect the condensate drain to a pipe with negative pressure.



#### **Underside Pipe Chases**

Some units may have pipe chases in the base of the unit. These chases may be intended to enclose conduits, heating-water pipes, steam pipes, etc.

In this case, locate the chase and arrange any required connections before setting the unit.

**IMPORTANT:** Use the included chase cap to assist in sealing any pipe chases. Air must not be allowed to move through a chase.

**IMPORTANT:** In some cases, pipes chases may be subject to fire-stopping requirements. Consult applicable codes.

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#### Risk of electric shock. Can cause injury or death.

Some installation and service procedures could expose personnel to the risk of electric shock. Electric shock can cause injury or death.

The unit controller does not disconnect electrical energy from the unit, even in the OFF condition. Use only approved devices (e.g. locking safety switch), to disconnect, lockout, and tagout all sources of electrical energy before working inside the unit cabinet. Follow all applicable safety regulations.



#### Risk of explosive pressure release. Can cause injury or death.

This product contains refrigerant liquid and vapor under high pressure. Some installation and service procedures could expose personnel to the risk of explosive discharge. Some installation and service procedures could expose personnel to the risk of frostbite from release of refrigerant.

Reclaim refrigerant to reduce the pressure to atmospheric before working on pipes, valves, heat exchangers, compressors, pressure switches, etc.

Once opened, do not close any manual refrigerant valves that might isolate refrigerant from the relief valve. If necessary, install relief valves (by others).



**Risk of top-heavy units tipping over. Can cause property damage, injury, or death.** Some units and some ancillary equipment may be shipped in crates that are top heavy. Follow the instructions in the **Lifting and Locating** section, along with all appropriate codes and procedures.



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#### Risk of contact with moving parts. Can cause injury or death.

This product contains rotating parts and V-belt drives. Some installation, service, and maintenance procedures could expose personnel to the risk of injury or death from contact with these parts.

Using only approved devices (e.g. locking safety switch), disconnect, lockout, and tagout all sources of electrical energy before working inside the unit cabinet. Allow adequate time for rotating parts to stop. Follow all applicable safety regulations.

Do not operate the unit until ductwork or a screen is installed at each blower outlet.



#### Risk of falling. Can cause injury or death.

Depending on the size and location of this product, some installation, service, and maintenance procedures could expose personnel to the risk of injury or death by falling. Designs should include adequate service and maintenance access. Use fall-protection equipment as appropriate.

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	<b>Risk of frostbite. Risk of eye damage.</b> Improper handling of refrigerants and refrigerant hoses can allow release of liquid refrigerant. Exposure to liquid refrigerant can cause frostbite and severe eye damage. Wear gloves, eye protection, and any other appropriate protective equipment. Follow all safety procedures.
	<b>Risk of suffocation.</b> Improper handling of refrigerants and refrigerant hoses can allow release of refriger- ant gases. In a confined space, these heavier-than-air gases may accumulate and displace oxygen, leading to suffocation. Confirm adequate ventilation before proceeding.
	<b>Risk of contamination of breathing air. Can cause injury or death.</b> Application of this product may involve the intake of outdoor air. The point of intake must be carefully chosen to prevent intake of contaminants. Application of this product may involve air-handling equipment, e.g. ducts, cabinets, plenums, etc., which operate below atmospheric pressure. Such equipment must be carefully located and installed to prevent the intake of contaminants. Follow the instructions in this manual and all applicable codes.
	Risk of contact with hot surfaces. Can cause injury. This product contains surfaces which can cause burn injury. The compressor, refrigerant-discharge tubes, and heat exchangers can become extremely hot during operation. Compressor crankcase heaters can be extremely hot at any time electrical power is applied. Turn off the unit and allow time for these parts to cool before working inside the unit cabinet. Wear protective clothing (gloves, sleeves, etc.) while working on these parts.
	<b>Risk of contact with hot surfaces. Can cause injury.</b> Brazing of tubes produces temperatures that can cause blistering and burns. Wear protective clothing (safety glasses, gloves, sleeves, etc.) while working on these parts.
NOTICE	Risk of leaking water. Can cause property damage. This product may use circulating water under pressure. This product requires a free-flowing drain. Freezing or other abnormal conditions could cause leakage or overflow. Uncontrolled water can cause expensive damage to buildings and other equipment. Do not locate this product above any equipment that could be damaged by water.
NOTICE	<b>Risk of uncontrolled condensation. Can cause property damage.</b> This product is intended to control relative humidity and temperatures. Improper design, installation, and/or operation can lead to uncontrolled condensation of water, with associated property damage. Read and follow the instructions in this manual. Optional material will be noted as
	being optional. All other material should be considered as important to the proper function of the product.

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### **Component Overview**



- 1. Outdoor air filter & manual damper
- Optional motorized damper actuator
- Seven-day time clock

# 2. P-Trap and Condensate Drain (by others)

- Must be installed and filled with water
- Failure to install the P-trap will cause the drip pan to overflow and flood the area beneath the DRY-O-TRON®.
- Optional side connection available

#### 3. Air Conditioning (OPTIONAL)

- Pipe must be same size as the connection on the DRY-O-TRON®.
- Optional water-cooled or drycooler heat rejection.

# 4. Flexible Duct Connection (by others)

- · For vibration isolation
- For attenuation of sound due to vibration
- Required on any return, supply, outdoor air, and exhaust connections to the DRY-O-TRON®

#### 5. Duct Heater (by others)

- Size to cover the building heat losses and the outdoor air load
- Optional unit-mounted hot water, steam or electric coils
- Controlled by the DRY-O-TRON®'s microprocessor

#### 6. Operator Panel

- Mounted on the electrical panel door
- Optional remote mounting

#### 7. Refrigerant Access Valves

- Service gauge connection
- Refrigerant charging access
- Upper access valve is head pressure
- Lower access valve is suction pressure
- Compressor oil-pressure port may also be present.

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#### **Preparation**

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Note: Before proceeding, tape a paper or plastic sheet over all components in the electrical enclosures. This is essential to protect the components from metal chips produced during installation. Remove the sheet before applying power.

#### List of recommended equipment and tools:

NOTE: This list may not be comprehensive for any particular job. <u>Use your judgement</u>.

Safety glasses
Lockout/tagout equipment, as appropriate
Dectron owners manual
Test and Balance Report (or air-flow measuring instruments) to compare air flows to nameplate values
Copy of Start-up Report form (to fill out and send in for warranty)
Pen (for filling out forms)
Paper (for making notes)
Plastic trash bag, kraft paper, etc. (to cover controls while conduit is being installed)
Duct tape (to tape plastic over controls)
Knife (to cut duct tape, trim bushes and grass around remote condenser, if any)
Tape measure
Flashlight
Spirit level
Flat screwdrivers
Phillips screwdrivers
Needle-nose pliers
Open-end or combination wrenches, socket wrenches
Allen wrenches, including 1/4" and 5/16"
Metric Allen wrenches
Volt - Ohm meter
Clip-on ampmeter
Pack of 10kohm 1/4W resistors, (e.g. Radio Shack 271-1335)
Refrigerant gauges, manifold, hoses
Vacuum pump
Electronic micron-level vacuum gauge (Compound bourdon-tube gauges on manifolds are not even close to adequate.)
At least two schraeder-valve core-removal vacuum adapters
Refrigerant scale
Adequate refrigerant as specified on unit nameplate and in submittal
Remote-reading electronic thermometer with probe and minimum 6-foot cable
Brazing torch, fuel, etc., flux, filler rod, sandpaper, tube brush
Nitrogen (or other inert gas) tank, regulator, delivery hose
Tube cutter
Tube and fittings adequate to install air-cooled condenser, if any
Pipe and fittings adequate to install condensate drain
Pipe-joint compound
Bucket (to pour water into condensate pan)
Wire and cable as needed
Belt tension gauge
(optional, recommended) Refrigerant recovery machine and tanks
(optional, recommended) Alligator-clip jumper wires
(optional) Drill and bits, including masonry bits for wall anchors, if needed
(optional) Wall anchors and screws, as needed
(optional) Hoists, lifts, etc., as needed
(optional) Extension cords
(optional) Stepladder and other ladders, etc., as needed
(optional) Dectron submittal or other sales documents
(optional) Torque wrench, with sockets and other wrenches, as needed
(optional) Torque screwdriver (for electrical connections)
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### **Air Distribution**





- 1. Locate the return air inlet 8 to 15 ft. (2.5 to 4.5 m) above the floor. Arrange for suitable air distribution. Arrange to prevent accidental blockage.
- 2. Where an elbow is required, use acoustic insulation up to the elbow to eliminate air movement noise. (Also see the guidelines in **Standard Practice for Ducts**.)
- 3. Always install flexible duct connections at the unit.
- 4. Linear diffusers must cover entire width of window.
- 5. Blanket entire window with supply air.
- 6. Skylights are not recommended since condensation on skylights is difficult to control.
- 7. A vapor barrier in all walls and ceilings is necessary. Dehumidification will not prevent the condensation of liquid water inside cold walls.
- 8. Direct air at glass surfaces from close range for glass mounted high on walls.
- 9. Temporarily cover return grille(s) with paper or plastic to prevent entry of construction dusts.
- 10. See other requirements elsewhere in this section.

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### Air Distribution

Underfloor Supply

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Installations with sliding glass doors and/or windows set low in the wall should use under-floor perimeter supply air distribution with the supply air directed vertically upward along the glass surfaces. This configuration allows high air velocity and large air volumes.



- Locate the return air inlet 8 to 15 ft. (2.5 to 4.5 m) up an interior wall. Allow for proper air circulation and arrange to prevent blocking of the inlet. Where an elbow is required, use acoustic insulation up to the elbow to eliminate air movement noise. (See also Installation - Duct Design guidelines.)
- 2. Diffusers must be linear and must cover the entire width of each window.
- 3. Blanket each entire window with supply air.
- **4.** A vapor barrier in all walls and ceilings is necessary. **Dehumidification will not prevent the condensation of liquid water inside cold walls.**
- 5. Where duct is installed below the floor, use PVC-coated round metal duct.
- 6. Duct installed beneath the floor should be insulated with styrofoam insulation.
- 7. Always install flexible duct connections at the unit.
- 8. Under-floor perimeter air distribution for low windows
- **9.** Install 90° elbow and use acoustic insulation up to elbow only to eliminate air movement noise (see also Duct Design guidelines)
- **11**. Temporarily cover return grille(s) with paper or plastic to prevent entry of construction dusts.
- **12.** See other requirements elsewhere in this section.



- **3.** Always install flexible duct connections at the unit.
- 4. Linear diffusers must cover entire width of window.
- 5. Blanket entire window with supply air. Tall windows may require diffusers at top and bottom.
- 6. Skylights are not recommended since condensation on skylights is difficult to control.
- 7. A vapor barrier in all walls and ceilings is necessary. Dehumidification will not prevent the condensation of liquid water inside cold walls.
- 8. Direct air at glass surfaces from close range for glass mounted high on walls.
- 9. Temporarily cover return grille(s) with paper or plastic to prevent entry of construction dusts.
- **10.** See other requirements elsewhere in this section.

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# Air Distribution

**Very Tall Windows** 

#### Multiple Distribution for Very Tall Windows or Windows with Cross-Members

Installations with a) very tall windows, or b) windows separated by beams, or c) windows with wide interior frames may require multiple ducts and diffusers to assure air distribution that covers all window surfaces. Multiple return grilles may also be required.

Also see other requirements elsewhere in this section.



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# **Supply Diffusers**

### **Air Distribution**

# Installation

Direct 3 - 5 CFM of supply air per square foot (15 - 26 l/s per square meter) of glass to all exterior windows and doors, or other surfaces that might reach dew point.





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# Air Distribution

# **Fabric Duct**

Where fabric duct is used, it should have a two-row support system, or have other means of preventing rotation. Because of the necessary one-sided slots, fabric duct with a loose singlerow support system tends to rotate away from the window when supply air is flowing. This allows the supply air to miss the upper part of the window.





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Ducts

### **Standard Practice for Ducts**



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#### General

#### **Ducts**

### Installation

### **IMPORTANT!**

This unit is not a convenience air conditioner - it is a process dehumidifier, which has been carefully sized to balance the required dehumidification load.

To be sure that the load will be balanced, it is essential to deliver the correct amount of air evenly distributed over the heat exchangers. Ductwork can have a marked effect on performance.

- Failure to set the airflow rates to within 10% of the specified values will result in performance reduction.
- Duct design must conform to the ASHRAE low-pressure, low-velocity duct standards. If there is a question concerning duct design, sizing, choice of materials, air velocities, or static pressures, contact your Dectron representative for assistance.
- Air velocities should be kept low to allow good air movement and low noise. Higher static pressures result in higher power requirements and increased noise. The maximum external static pressure is specified for each unit. Static pressures higher than specified may reduce airflow below the minimum acceptable value.
- Select grilles, registers, and diffusers for low static pressure loss, required throw, and specified airflow. If the unit is to be used in a natatorium, choose hardware resistant to deterioration due to chemicals in the pool enclosure.

#### $\Delta$ Duct material

- The unit is suitable for use with any duct material, subject to the requirements of this section and standard practice. Standard galvanized steel duct is recommended. Use external duct insulation where necessary. If insulation must be used inside the ducts, use only moisture-resistant types.
- All elbows near the unit must be equipped with aerofoil turning vanes and acoustic insulation.
- Where located in areas below room temperature, ductwork must be insulated on the outside with 2- inch fiber glass wrap with FSK facing. All ducts must be designed to be dry. All seams must be sealed. If a belowgrade duct system is used, transite or PVC-coated, round metal ductwork should be used.

#### $\Delta$ Flexible duct connectors

- Use flexible duct connectors to attach the ducts to the DRY-O-TRON<sup>®</sup>.
- Install the flexible duct in such a way as to prevent mechanical loads from being applied to the unit, and to prevent unit vibration from being transmitted to the ductwork.

Arrange all ducts so as to leave adequate working clearance and access to the unit. See Lifting and Locating - Select Air Handler Location.

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#### Ducts

#### **Return Duct**

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#### Risk of carbon-monoxide poisoning. WARNING Can cause death.

**Horizontal Units** 



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#### **Return Duct**

#### Ducts

#### Installation

#### **NOTICE** Risk of unit damage.

Do not allow construction dusts to enter a unit.

#### COVER RETURN GRILLE DURING CONSTRUCTION.

#### **IMPORTANT!**

Unless the ductwork is to be installed after all construction dusts have been removed, care should be taken to prevent dust from entering the ducts, **especially the return duct**. If concrete or plaster dusts are allowed to enter the unit, they may permanently bind to the coil surfaces, reducing airflow and heat transfer. **Filters will not prevent this.** 

If concrete, plaster work, or cleanup will be ongoing after the return duct is installed, tape paper or plastic sheeting over the return grille(s) to prevent dust from entering the duct. The DRY-O-TRON<sup>®</sup> <u>must be OFF</u> until all dusts are removed. Remove the cover only after all concrete and plaster work is complete and the dusts have been cleaned up and removed.

Do not operate the unit when dusts are present or while the grille cover is still in place.

#### Important!

<u>Never</u> use the DRY-O-TRON<sup>®</sup> as a construction-site dehumidifier, cooler, or heater. Do <u>not</u> operate the unit while construction dusts are present.



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#### **Ducts**

### **Supply Duct**

# **Supply Duct Near Unit**

Refer to AMCA<sup>1</sup> guidelines for system-effect considerations.

To prevent unexpected reduction of airflow, a section of the supply duct should be full-sized and straight as it leaves the blower. This section should be straight for a distance of at least five times the blower width. There should be no elbows, transitions, offsets, duct heaters, or other flow interruptions closer than 5 X the width (W) of the blower.

- **NOTE:** On special order, Dectron may be able to provide bottom-, top-, or sidedischarge blowers, and/or reversed blower rotation. Minimum straight duct lengths still apply.
- **NOTE:** Minimum straight supply-duct lengths are not required for units equipped with plenum blowers for supply air.

#### All installations should have space heat available year-round.

At some sites, the heating requirement may be met by external duct heaters (by others). To prevent hot spots and the resulting heater failures, locate the heater at least 5 times the duct width downstream from the blower, or from any airflow interruptions such as elbows and transitions.

On special order, for some models Dectron may be able to provide special close-coupled duct heaters that do not require the minimum straight length of duct. The minimum straight length before an elbow, tee, offset, transition, or other flow interruption will still apply.

- **NOTE:** The basic DRY-O-TRON® does not produce significant heat - it recycles heat. A dedicated space heater must be ordered with the unit or must be provided by others. When ordered with the unit, the heater may be inside the cabinet.
- **NOTE:** Building heat losses are calculated by others and consequently space heaters are sized by others. Dectron does not select space-heater capacities.



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**NOTICE** Optional Equipment

#### Ventilation, Method 1

This ventilation method is not subject to the minimum temperatures or maximum flow rates for entering outdoor air listed elsewhere in this manual, since the outdoor air does not enter the unit. In this case, heater sizes and maximum flow rates are determined by others.

The mechanical system must ensure that adequate ventilation, including the introduction of outdoor air, is provided according to the applicable building codes. The quality of the indoor air is extremely important to ensure user comfort.

Make-up air requirements should conform to ASHRAE Standard 62.1-2004 or its latest revision.

DRY-O-TRON® units are available in a number of configurations which will easily accept the introduction of controlled quantities of outdoor air. Some units are equipped with a standard make-up air intake (may ship separately) which will allow up to 15% (30% with air-conditioning option) outdoor air. Units with the economizer option come with a built-in mixing box for the introduction of up to 100% make-up air during cooling mode.

Standard units can also be used with external mixing boxes and damper arrangements. Some units may have control contacts for ventilation systems by others. Some units may have a 24VAC/80VA power supply for ventilation to operate the damper motors.

During outdoor-air ventilation modes the moisture load in the room will vary according to the outdoor air conditions.

#### **IMPORTANT!** All outdoor air inlets must have a separate air filter.



- 1. Return air
- 2. DRY-O-TRON® as return air blower
- 3. Exhaust air
- 4. Modulating damper control, (Sizes 080 and larger) Power supply for ventilation
- 5. Make-up air (provide air filters)
- 6. Modulating thermostat (by others)

- 7. Supply blower (by others)
- 8. Auxiliary space heater (by others) controlled by DRY-**O-TRON®**
- 9. Space temperature and humidity sensed and controlled by DRY-O-TRON®

# Ducting Checklist

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A copy of this checklist should be left with the unit.			
Supply diffusers are arranged to wash any building surface (usually exterior) that might reach dewpoint. Return grille is opposite the supply diffusers. Ducts are sized for the specified air flow rates and do not exceed maximum external pressure drops.	Duct heaters (if any, by others) are installed more than 5 duct diameters downstream from the blower, unless labeled for closer installation. Ducts carrying air that may go below the dew point of the surrounding air have been covered with insulation and vapor retarder.	your initials your initials	
Any fabric duct is held by dual-rail supports or is other- wise restrained from rotating.	our ials		
Minimum straight lengths of duct at full filter-box size were installed at the filter-box connection to produce even airflow across the heat exchangers, and to minimize energy losses.	bur ials		
Minimum straight lengths of duct at full blower-width size are installed at the blower- outlet connection to minimize system effect and other airflow problems.	our ials -		
Flexible duct connectors are installed between the unit and all connected ducts.	our ials		
Outdoor-air is not delivered into the return-air duct.	pur ials		
No concrete, plaster, or other construction dusts or spills are present inside the ducts.	bur iials		
A paper or plastic sheet has been installed over the return grille to prevent dust from settling inside the duct.	our tials	Date: Model No Serial No	
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WARNING	<b>Risk of falling. Can cause injury or death.</b> Depending on the size and location of this produ maintenance procedures could expose personnel Designs should include adequate service and m protection equipment as appropriate.	uct, some installation, service, and to the risk of injury or death by falling. naintenance access. Use fall-
	<ul> <li>Risk of contamination of breathing air. Can Unexpected release of refrigerants can contami to insure adequate clean air.</li> <li>Risk of frostbite. Can cause injury. Contact with leaking refrigerant can cause frost safety goggles.</li> </ul>	cause injury or death. inate breathing air. Take precautions bite. Wear protective clothing and
	<b>Risk of contact with sharp edges, flying chip</b> Cutting of tubes can produce flying chips and s glasses, and other protective equipment as app cutting.	<b>ps. Can cause injury.</b> harp edges. Wear gloves, safety propriate. Debur sharp edges after
	<b>Risk of contact with hot surfaces. Can caus</b> Joining tubes by brazing produces hot surfaces other protective equipment as appropriate. Allo	<b>se injury.</b> 5. Wear gloves, safety glasses, and 5w parts to cool before handling.
	<b>Risk of explosive depressurization. Can caus</b> Do not open, cut, or heat tubes or refrigeration d relieved to atmospheric pressure.	<b>se injury or death.</b> levices until pressure has been
DANGER	<b>Risk of explosion. Can cause injury or death.</b> Shielding gas for brazing should be commercial other non-reactive gas. <b>Do <u>not</u> use oxygen</b> To prevent the build-up of pressure, remove the condenser tubes inside the unit, and limit the flow gas to force the air out of the tubes.	dry nitrogen, carbon dioxide (CO <sub>2</sub> ), or <b>Do <u>not</u> use any fuel gas.</b> e cores from the access valves in the v of gas. Use only enough shielding
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#### Risk of leaking water. Can cause property damage.

This product may use circulating water under pressure.

This product requires a free-flowing drain.

Freezing or other abnormal conditions could cause leakage or overflow. Uncontrolled water can cause expensive damage to buildings and equipment. Do not

locate this product above any equipment that could be damaged by water.



#### Risk of uncontrolled condensation. Can cause property damage.

This product is intended to control relative humidity and temperatures. Improper design, installation, and/or operation can lead to uncontrolled condensation of water, with associated property damage.

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#### **Required Clearances**

Ducts, pipes, tubes, conduits, etc., must be arranged not to obstruct access to the unit or to its internal parts. All doors and/or panels must be accessible and must be able to open to at least 90°. The minimum working clearances must be maintained. (See section Lifting & Locating - Select Air Handler Location.)

Unless specified for single-side access, there are access doors and/or panels on the front and back sides and for the electrical panel.

Pipes, conduits, etc., should not be routed along the floor near a unit. Where this must be done, construct a working platform (by others) to allow access without damage.

#### **NOTICE** Optional Equipment

#### **Special Requirements for Optional Equipment**

Optional equipment may have special piping requirements.

- If your unit is equipped with the optonal DryCooler feature, request and refer to <u>Dectron OM Appendix M1 - DryCooler</u>.
- If your unit is equipped with the optional Heatco gas furnace, request and refer to <u>Dectron OM Appendix H2 - HTCO Furnace</u>.
- If your unit is equipped with the optional TEGA gas furnace, request and refer to <u>Dectron OM Appendix H9 - TEGA Furnace</u>.
- If your unit is equipped with an optional Raypak Hi-Delta gas boiler (models 122-322), request and refer to Dectron OM Appendix H6 - Raypak 1000.53E HiDelta Boilers 122-322.
- If your unit is equipped with an optional Raypak Hi-Delta gas boiler (models 302B 902B), request and refer to Dectron OM Appendix H7 Raypak 1000.501C HiDelta Boilers 302B-902B.
- If your unit is equipped with an optional Raypak Hi-Delta gas boiler (models 992B-2342B), request and refer to <u>Dectron OM Appendix H8 Raypak 1000.511B HiDelta boilers 992B-2342B</u>.

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Do not allow pipes, tubes, conduits, etc., to obstruct access panels or doors.



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### UNITS WITH AIR-COOLED AIR CONDITIONING ONLY ASSEMBLING CONDENSER TUBES

**NOTICE** Optional Equipment

**NOTICE** Risk of property damage. Where remote condenser is present, follow the instructions in this manual and in all applicable codes.

### **IMPORTANT:**

Contact Dectron before exceeding the maximum tube length specified on the unit nameplate. Contact Dectron before changing the tube size specified on the unit nameplate. (See Product Description - Unit Nameplate.)

**IMPORTANT (R-410A units):** 

Where the specified tube O.D. is larger than 7/8", applicable codes may require Type K tube. Consult your local code-enforcement office.

#### **IMPORTANT:**

Use only clean copper tube. Never allow dirt, water, or other foreign materials to enter the remote condenser or the tubes connecting it to the DRY-O-TRON®. Foreign material may damage valves and other components.

If the insides of the tubes are contaminated with dirt, oil, sludge, rust, or other materials, then they <u>must</u> be thoroughly cleaned or replaced.

### **IMPORTANT:**

Never allow liquid water to enter the remote condenser or the tubes connecting it.

Water <u>must</u> be removed from the remote condenser and the tubes that connect it to the DRY-

# O-TRON<sup>®</sup>. Evacuation will take much longer if liquid water is present.

Vertical-lift hot-gas tubes should be segmented into lifts of not more than 20 feet (9 m) with P-traps between each segment. The total lift for one hot-gas tube should not exceed 50 feet (15 m).

**Note:** Some DRY-O-TRON® units may have several pairs of tubes to the remote condenser.

Further piping details are discussed on following pages.

Brazing requirements are discussed on a following page.



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Protect the condenser mani-

folds from brazing heat by

towels, or by coating with a

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ASSEMBLING CONDENSER TUBES



**Optional Equipment.** Where an air-cooled condenser(s) is present, follow the instructions in this manual and in all applicable codes.

### BRAZING

Brazing tubes while they contain air will produce damaging copper-oxide scale inside the tube.

Before beginning to braze tubes, set up an arrangement like the one illustrated below. A small flow of shielding gas will purge the air out of the tubes, and protect them from scaling.



### Risk of explosion. Can cause injury or death.

The shielding gas should be commercial dry nitrogen, carbon dioxide  $(CO_2)$ , or other

non-reactive gas. Do not use oxygen. Do not use any fuel gas. To prevent the build-up of pressure, remove the cores from the access valves in the condenser tubes, and limit the flow of gas. Use only enough shielding gas to force the air out of the tubes.

Required

supports are

not shown.

Use commercial dry nitrogen, carbon dioxide, or other dry inert gas. WARNING: DO NOT USE OXYGEN.

DO NOT USE ANY FUEL GAS.



NOTE: Some DRY-O-TRON® units may have several pairs of tubes to the remote condenser. Only one pair of tubes is shown here.

Before starting flow of shielding gas, remove and retain the cores from these access valves. **Isolation valves** 

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should remain closed.



### Risk of contact with hot surfaces. Can cause injury.

Joining tubes by brazing produces hot surfaces. Wear gloves, safety glasses, and other protective equipment as appropriate. Allow parts to cool before handling.

Beginning at the joints nearest the shield-gas fill point, braze the copper tube ioints using an AWS<sup>1</sup> BCuP filler. If flux must be used, use only enough flux to braze. Excess flux can contaminate the refrigeration system and damage components. When brazing is complete, stop the flow of shield gas and replace the cores and caps of all access valves.

### **IMPORTANT:** Check carefully for leaks.

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### UNITS WITH AIR-COOLED AIR CONDITIONING ONLY EVACUATION AND REFRIGERANT CHARGING

**NOTICE Optional Equipment.** Where an air-cooled condenser is present, follow the instructions in this manual and in all applicable codes.

### **IMPORTANT:**

Check for leaks before attempting to evacuate the condenser and tubes.

### **IMPORTANT:**

Some DRY-O-TRON® units may have several pairs of tubes to the remote condenser. <u>Each pair must</u> <u>be evacuated and charged</u> <u>independently</u>.

- Set up an arrangement like the one shown below, with vacuum pump, electronic vacuum gauge, refrigerant, and refrigerant scale, all by others.
- (2) Using core-removal adapters, (by others) temporarily remove the access-valve cores.
- (3) Evacuate the condenser and tubes.

### **IMPORTANT:**

The remote condenser and the tubes connecting it to the DRY-O-TRON® must be evacuated to a pressure below 250 microns of mercury as measured by an electronic vacuum gauge.

### <u>Compound gauges as found on</u> <u>refrigeration manifolds are not</u> <u>adequate.</u> Do not attempt to use a manifold compound gauge to determine evacuation pressure.

To insure a correct reading, install the electronic vacuum gauge far away from the vacuum pump.

After proper evacuation:

- (4) Weighing the amount added, break the vacuum with as much liquid refrigerant as possible.
- (5) Open the condenser isolation valves (2 per circuit) located inside the DRY-O-TRON®. (See next page.)

**CAUTION:** Once these valves have been opened, they should <u>not</u> be closed again unless 1 pound (500g) of refrigerant is reclaimed from the condenser and into the receiver (or the pressure is reduced below 10 PSIG (69kPa)) immediately after closing the valves. (6) Locate and open the refrigerantreceiver isolation valves (2 per circuit). (See next page.)

**CAUTION:** Once these valves have been opened, they should <u>not</u> be closed again unless 1/2 pound (250g) of refrigerant is reclaimed from the filter-drier and into the receiver (or the pressure is reduced below 10 PSIG (69 kPa))

immediately after closing the valves.

- (7) Pump refrigerant into the remote condenser access valves until the entire weight given in **BOX E** of the preceeding page has been added. If necessary, a refrigerant pump or a refrigerant-recovery machine may help.
- (8) Replace valve cores.



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<b>NOTICE</b> Optional Equipment. Will Leave a copy of the check All pipes and tubes (by others) are arranged so as not to block service access to the unit.	here an air-cooled condenser is present, inspect and verify these conditions. list with the unit. During brazing, valves were protected from overheating by wrapping with wet towels or by your initials
For units with air-cooled air conditioning, the maximum external tube length specified on the unit nameplate has not been exceeded. For units with air-cooled air conditioning, the tube sizes specified on the unit name- plate were used to connect the voir initials	During brazing, adequate heat was applied to allow the brazing filler to penetrate all joints completely. For units with air-cooled air conditioning, the hot-gas tube(s) have been insulated as appropriate to prevent accidental contact.
For units with air-cooled air conditioning, the remote con- denser is not located below the DRY-O-TRON®, unless Dectron has been consulted. P-traps have been provided (by others) at the specified	For units with air cooled air conditioning, the remote con- denser and the connecting tubes were evacuated to a pressure below 250 microns of mercury, as measured by an electronic micron-level vacuum gauge.
All refrigerant tubes (by others) have been sloped downward in the direction of flow. All refrigerant tubes (by others) are supported (by others) so as not to apply any torque or axial loads on the DRY-O-TRON® or on the remote condenser, if any.	<ul> <li>conditioning, the condenser isolation valves have been opened.</li> <li>For units with air-cooled air conditioning, the correct amount and type of refrigerant has been added.</li> <li>For units with air-cooled air conditioning, any specified amount of oil has been added.</li> </ul>
Where refrigerant tubes penetrate a building surface, P-traps (by others) have been provided to prevent condensa- tion or icing inside the building.	
During brazing, the interiors of refrigerant tubes were protected by flooding with an inert gas.	Date: Model No Serial No
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# Water- or Fluid-Cooled A/CPipingInstallationUNITS WITH WATER-COOLED OR FLUID-COOLED AIR CONDITIONING ONLY<br/>FLOW-SWITCH INSTALLATIONFLOW-SWITCH INSTALLATION

**NOTICE** Optional Equipment. Where the unit has water-cooled air conditioning, follow the instructions in this manual and in all applicable codes.

NOTE: Some units may be provided with a DryCooler. In this case, refer to <u>Appendix M1</u>.

### **IMPORTANT:**

Contact Dectron <u>before</u> changing the temperature range or flow rate of the water or fluid. (See Product Description - Unit Nameplate.)

#### **IMPORTANT:**

Never allow dirt or other foreign materials to enter the tubes connecting to the DRY-O-TRON®. Foreign material may cause damage to valves and other components.

If the insides of the tubes are contaminated with dirt, oil, sludge, rust, or other materials, then the pipes must be thoroughly cleaned. Where connection must be made to metal tube other than copper tube, install a dielectric union between the different tubes to reduce corrosion.

Where flux must be used, use only enough flux to solder. Excess flux can contaminate the heat transfer fluid.

### **IMPORTANT:**

Constant water or fluid flow is essential. All pumps, cooling towers, fans, etc., involved in cooling the water or fluid must be enabled whenever the DRY-O-TRON® is operational. Do not allow a timer or other device to inhibit operation at any time the DRY-O-TRON® is operational.

#### **IMPORTANT:**

Cooling water must be protected from freezing if the water flow could be interrupted during low ambient temperatures.

### **IMPORTANT:**

If a fluid other than water is used for condenser cooling, use only the type and concentration specified on the unit nameplate. (See Product Description - Unit Nameplate.)

### Water or Fluid Flow Switch

The flow switch (see field wiring diagram) <u>must</u> be installed. See details below and on following pages.

- **NOTE:** The maximum fluid pressure should not exceed 140 PSI (0.98 MPa).
- **NOTE:** Refer to information shipped with flow switch.



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#### **DA3/RA3 Series Dehumidifier Owner's Manual** Installation Piping Water- or Fluid-Cooled A/C UNITS WITH WATER-COOLED OR FLUID-COOLED AIR CONDITIONING ONLY **NOTICE** Optional Equipment. Where the unit has water-cooled air conditioning, follow the instructions in this manual and in all applicable codes. Water-flow switch (supplied by Dectron, installed by others) screws 1/2" (12 cm) into a pipe tee (by others). All tubes, pipes, conduits, etc., must be NOTE: The switch may be factory installed, in which case no installation is needed. separately supported by others. Do not NOTE: Pipe locations may vary. See labels on unit. apply a torque or axial load to the unit NOTE: Directional arrow on flowswitch body must correspond to direction of flow. tube connections. **NOTE:** When testing for leaks, do not apply more than 140 PSI to the flow switch. **NOTE:** See next page for pressure drops and required flow rates. Contact Dectron before applying water or fluid of a temperature or flow rate other than DRY-O-TRON® that specified on the unit nameplate. The water or fluid flow must be constant. Any, pumps, fans, cooling towers, etc., must be enabled whenever the DRY-O-TRON® unit is enabled. D 5D The minimum straight length on each side of the 5D flow switch is 5 times the pipe diameter. Port locations may vary? Install flexible connectors to prevent See the unit port labels: the application of torques or axial loads WATER IN to the DRY-O-TRON® connections. WATER OUT Max. Flow Paddle Max. Adjust. Pipel Min. Adjust. NPT GPM I L/min GPM L/min GPM I L/min 1" 4.8 11.9 **NOTE:** See next page for required flows. 11/2 **NOTE:** Installing the flow switch in a pipe 1+2 that is not horizontal may change the expected set point ranges. 21/2 1+2 **NOTE:** Installing the flow switch other than paddles-down may change the 1+2+3expected set point ranges. 1+2 1+2+31+21+2+31+2 1+2+31+2Data subject to change without notice. © 2011 Dectron, Inc. April 2011



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# **Condensate Drain**

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### NOTICE Risk of leaking water. Can cause property damage.

This product requires a free-flowing drain.

Freezing or other abnormal conditions could cause leakage or overflow.

### Important!

### The condensate drain must be installed and the P-trap must be filled before starting the unit.

### $\Delta$ Select materials

Ordinary schedule 40 PVC or ABS plastic pipe is adequate in most cases. Do not reduce the pipe size below that provided on the unit.

### $\Delta$ Install P-trap

For horizontal units, an adequate P-trap must be installed. If a P-trap is provided with the unit, use it. If one is not provided, use the recommended size P-trap. The P-trap must be sized for negative 1.5 inch water column pressure (or lower) in the DRY-O-TRON<sup>®</sup> cabinet. For long runs or possible unintentional traps, a vent on the outlet side of the P-trap may be necessary. Follow standard procedures.

### $\Delta$ Route drain pipe

Route the drain pipe so that the only trap is the P-trap. In horizontal runs, slope the pipe downward at least 1/4" per foot (2 cm per meter).

Deliver the condensate to a suitable non-freezing point. Where installed for a natatorium, condensate may be returned to the pool for water savings, or it may be sent to a drain. Check local codes for allowable procedures. Expect many gallons of water per hour, <u>year-</u> round.

### **∆** Pipe Support

All tubes, pipes, conduits, etc., <u>must</u> be separately supported by others. Do <u>not</u> apply a torque or axial load to the unit tube stubs.

### $\Delta$ Fill P-trap

To prevent air from being drawn through the condensate drain pipe, the P-trap must be filled with water <u>before</u> starting the unit blowers. Failure to do this will cause the drain pan to overflow during operation.

### $\Delta$ Condensate pump

If a condensate pump must be used, be sure it has enough pressure and volume capability. If the condensate is to be delivered to a pipe that might be pressurized above atmospheric pressure, install a check valve to prevent backflow.

Some DRY-O-TRON<sup>®</sup> units have bottom condensate drains. Bottomdrain arrangements may have to be made before the unit is placed.

- **NOTE:** Units with the gas furnace option may have more than one condensate drain. Refer to appendices H2 or H9.
- **NOTE:** The unit can be expected to operate year-round. Depending on conditions, bottom drains may have to be protected against freezing.
- NOTE: Any required drain vents may not be shown here.

Some DRY-O-TRON<sup>®</sup> units have side condensate drains. Use the same pipe materials and methods used for bottom condensate drains.

- **NOTE:** Since the unit operates year-round, side drains on outdoor units <u>must</u> be protected against freezing where freezing is possible. This may require heat-tracing and insulation. Condensate <u>must</u> be delivered to a non-freezing point.
- **NOTE:** For locations that may experience outdoor temperatures below freezing, select a non-freezing point of discharge for condensate since the unit operates year round. Even the smallest units will release hundreds of pounds of condensate per day.

Where outdoor temperatures below freezing may occur, releasing condensate onto a roof is <u>not</u> recommended.

**NOTE:** Any required drain vents may not be shown here.



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For units with water-cooled or luid-cooled air conditioning, exclusive of units with the optional DryCooler, a) confirm that the flowswitch (supplied by Dectron, installed by others) has been properly installed. b) confirm that the tubes have been properly installed and supported so as not to apply a torque or axial load to the unit tube stubs. c) confirm that the pipes, tubes, pumps, expansion tanks, etc., are sized to provide the specified temperature and flow rate. For <u>indoor</u> units with hot-water, not-glycol, or steam heating coils internal to the unit, a) confirm that the heating diverting valve has been properly installed. b) confirm that adequate piping supports and flexible joints have been provided (by others) to prevent the application of any torque or axial loads to the unit connections. c) confirm that any pipes, tubes, pumps, expansion tanks, etc. (by others) are sized to provide the specified temperature and flow rate.	Regarding condensate drains -         a) confirm that the condensate drains installed and filled with water.         b) confirm that the condensate drains are pipe slopes downward away from the unit at least will be delivered to an appropriate non-freezing location.         *         For outdoor units with side drains, and for other units as needed, confirm that the condensate drain pipe is protected from freezing temperatures, and/or reliably heat-traced as necessary.         For sites requiring a condensate.         *
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WARNING

### Risk of electric shock. Can cause injury or death.

The unit controller does not disconnect electrical energy from the unit, even in the OFF condition. Use only approved devices (e.g. locking safety switch), to disconnect, lockout, and tagout all sources of electrical energy before working inside the unit cabinet. Follow all applicable safety regulations.

Some installations may incorporate remote air-cooled condensers. Where this is the case, wire the condenser as shown in the condenser wiring diagram.



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### UNITS WITH VOLTAGE MONITOR ONLY



**Risk of contact with moving parts. Can cause injury or death.** This product contains rotating parts and V-belt drives. Some installation, service, and maintenance procedures could expose personnel to the risk of injury or death from contact with these parts.

Using only approved devices (e.g. locking safety switch), disconnect, lockout, and tagout all sources of electrical energy before working inside the unit cabinet. Allow adequate time for rotating parts to stop. Follow all applicable safety regulations.

Identify the type of voltage monitor present.





### For TYPE 2 monitors, skip to next page.

#### Type 1 Voltage Monitor

After power wiring is complete, and when safe to do so, turn on the branchcircuit disconnect switch. In some cases the blower may start. Some DRY-O-TRON® units may have voltage monitors that prevent operation in the event the branch circuit has voltage that is too high, too low, has lost a phase, or has reversed phase sequence.

#### If the green LED -

is not lit, confirm that the applied voltage is within  $\pm 10\%$  of the nameplate voltage (NEMA MG-1), that all three phases are present, and that the phase sequence is correct. Be sure that the knob(s) are set correctly.

The over-voltage setting should be at nominal voltage plus 10%.

The under-voltage setting should be at nominal voltage minus 10%.



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### Normal

When the green LED is on steady, the voltage is within normal range, all phase voltages are present, and the phase sequence is correct. No action is needed.

### Incorrect Phase Sequence

When the green LED alternates with both red LEDs, the branchcircuit phase sequence is wrong, and the DRY-O-TRON® cannot operate.

Disconnect electrical power from the branch circuit, follow all safety procedures, and remove any two branch-circuit conductors from the input lugs. Exchange their places and re-connect. Tighten as appropriate. Do not change any factory-installed wires.

Following all safety procedures, re-apply electrical power. The voltage monitor should be normal as shown above.

### Phase Loss

When the green LED is flashing and both red LEDs are off, the branch circuit does not have all three phases, and the DRY-O-TRON® cannot operate.

Have a qualified electrician fix the problem and re-apply electrical power. The voltage monitor should be normal as shown above.

### Incoming Voltage Below Minimum Allowable

When the green LED is flashing and the lower red LED is on, the incoming voltage is too low, and the DRY-O-TRON® cannot operate. Voltages below this level will result in motor overheating. Do not adjust the voltage monitor without explicit instructions from Dectron. Have a qualified electrician fix the problem and re-apply electrical power. The voltage monitor should be normal as shown above.

### Incoming Voltage Above Maximum Allowable

When the green LED is flashing and the upper red LED is on, the incoming voltage is too high, and the DRY-O-TRON® cannot operate.

Voltages above this level will result in motor overheating. Do not adjust the voltage monitor without explicit instructions from Dectron. Have a qualified electrician fix the problem and re-apply electrical power. The voltage monitor should be normal as shown above.

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Where DRY-O-TRON<sup>®</sup> units are mounted outdoors, it is best **NOT** to mount electrical disconnect switches or circuit breakers on the DRY-O-TRON<sup>®</sup> cabinet, because the resulting holes allow rainwater to be drawn into the insulated walls by the pressures inside the unit.

Where such mounting must be done, use care to seal all penetrations to stop the movement of air and water vapor. Caulk around the top and sides of such devices to keep rainwater water from getting behind them.

### All conduits entering outdoor units should be sealed.

Units with housed blowers, as shown at right, may have strong negative air pressures inside the unit cabinet, including inside the electrical enclosure. Rainwater may be drawn into a disconnect box that is exposed to this negative pressure.

In some situations, fumes from chemical storage or combustion products from boilers, etc., may be drawn into the DRY-O-TRON<sup>®</sup> unit from remote locations via the conduit system. This **MUST** be prevented.

Units with plenum-type supply-air blowers will have a strong positive air pressure inside the blower compartment. There may also be a strong positive pressure inside the electrical enclosure. A conduit seal is required to prevent condensation throughout the conduit system.



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# **Optional Remote Display**

The communication system between the controller and a remote display (if any) is based on ANSI/IEEE RS-485. For best results, proper RS-485 wiring and splicing methods should be used. These include, but are not limited to the use of shielded RS-485 cable ( $Z_0$ =120 $\Omega$ , e.g. Belden 7202A), the use of connectors designed for RS-485, minimized untwist of conductors, etc.

In some cases, shorter lengths of cable may allow approximations to RS-485 methods. These methods are shown on the following pages. Methods for longer cables will work for shorter cables also.

All conduits connected to a dehumidifier should be sealed.

NOTE: Any remote display must be located in a space where it will not be exposed to the natatorium atmosphere or to the fumes from stored chemicals. Do not locate it in the same space where chemicals are stored.

### For cable lengths not exceeding 160 ft (50m) -





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### Assembling data (reversed) modular telephone cable

Note that the lock tabs of the plugs are on <u>opposite sides of the cable</u>. (Colors are for example only, colors may vary by cable vendor.)



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#### **Control Signals** Wiring Installation **Optional Remote Display** Insert 6P6C modular tele-Unit Controller phone plug (by others) into the 000 For cable lengths not modular Y (by Dectron). Use RX+/TX+ GND 0 0 C the port not already used for exceeding 650 ft (200m) -J12 J11 the in-unit display (if any). Expansion Memory Loop the modular telephone Modular cable to round cable adapter, (by cable once as shown others), two required through clamp-on split fer-Ex: Carel<sup>1</sup> TCONN6J000 (shown) rite EMI core (by others). Ex: Leviton 40276-I, (not shown) The cores should have an available as Grainger<sup>2</sup> 5C381 impedance near 240 $\Omega$ at 100MHz. ex: Steward 28A0640-0A0 Where TCONN6J000 (shown) is used, available as Digi-Key<sup>4</sup> jumpers J14 and J15 must be on pins 1 & 2 240-2065-ND as shown. Cable conductor-terminal assignment Short six-conductor data 0 (reversed) modular telephone terminal function cable pair | conductor cable (by others). See previ-0 GND SHIELD ous page for cable details. 1 +VRL (~30Vdc) 1 А Keep pairs together. DO 2 GND В 1 NOT SPLIT PAIRS. Rx/Tx-2 А Minimize untwist. 3 Minimum 24 AWG copper 3-pair 4 Rx/Tx+ 2 В shielded RS-485 cable, $Z_0 = 120\Omega$ 3-gang wallbox, 3 5 GND А by others) ex: Belden<sup>3</sup> 7202A +VRL (~30Vdc) 6 3 B Maximum length 650 ft (200m) Clamp-on split ferrite EMI Keep pairs together. DO $\otimes$ $\bigcirc$ $\bigotimes$ core (by others), as NOT SPLIT PAIRS. above. Minimize untwist. 1. CAREL USA LLC Ph: (717) 664-0500 Where TCONN6J000 0 0000000 0 Fax: (717) 664-0449 (shown) is used, jumpers. www.carelusa.com J14 and J15 must be on 2. pins 1 & 2 as shown. USA W.W. Grainger $\bigcirc$ $\bigcirc$ Ph: 1-888-361-8649 www.grainger.com Short six-conductor data (reversed) modular. Canada Acklands Grainger telephone cable (by others). See previous Ph. 1-800-668-8989 page for cable details. Allow at least 10 inches www.acklandsgrainger.com of free cable for connection to the display. 3. Belden The six-pin modular telephone plug (by others) Ph. 314-854-8000 is to be inserted into the display jack. www.belden.com 4. Digi-Key Corp. 1-800-344-4539 www.digikey.com

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# **OPTIONAL EXTERNAL ON/OFF SPACE HEATERS**

### **NOTICE** Optional equipment

Risk of building damage.

All installations <u>must</u> have space heat available year-round. Failure to control space temperature can lead to unexpected changes in evaporation rate and humidity.

In the case of external ON/OFF space heaters, the spaceheater controls must be wired to the DRY-O-TRON® controls (see unit field-wiring diagram in the unit information package). For ON/OFF controls, the installer must arrange the connections so that a dry-contact switch closure in the DRY-O-TRON® will enable the space heater. When the dry contacts are open, the space heater should be disabled.

NOTE: External space heaters should be provided with a airflow-proving switch (by others).

If possible the heater should be divided into as many stages as there are ON/OFF heating outputs on the DRY-O-TRON®. This will help in tuning the system to prevent over- and undershooting of space temperature.

The DRY-O-TRON® dry contacts are rated 5A at 24VAC 60Hz. Do not overload these outputs. Do not attempt to use an internal DRY-O-TRON® power source unless so directed by Dectron.

# OPTIONAL REMOTE GAS BOILER

**NOTICE** Risk of building damage.

All installations must have space heat available year-round. Failure to control space temperature can lead to unexpected changes in evaporation rate and humidity.

Some units may be equipped to control a remote Raypak gas boiler for space heating. Where this is the case, connect the boiler controls as shown at right.

The DRY-O-TRON® dry contacts are rated 5A at 24VAC 60Hz. Do not overload these outputs. Do not attempt to use an internal DRY-O-TRON® power source unless so directed by Dectron.



Similar circuits are used for any other space heaters. See the unit field-wiring diagram in the unit information package.



Seal all conduits attached to dehumidifiers.

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### **OPTIONAL FAN-INTERLOCK OUTPUT**

Some DRY-O-TRON<sup>®</sup> units may have a fan interlock output coincident with blower operation.

The DRY-O-TRON® dry contacts are rated 5A at 24VAC 60Hz. Do not overload these outputs. Do not attempt to use an internal DRY-O-TRON® power source unless so directed by Dectron.



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# OPTIONAL REMOTE CONDENSER OR DRYCOOLER

Some DRY-O-TRON<sup>®</sup> units may be provided with an air-cooled condenser or a DryCooler. In this case the remote air-cooled condenser controls or the DryCooler controls must be wired to the DRY-O-TRON<sup>®</sup> controls (see unit wiring diagram). The remote condenser or the DryCooler has its own power supply so there is a dry-contact switch closure to enable the remote condenser or the DryCooler.

The DRY-O-TRON<sup>®</sup> dry contacts are rated 5A at 24VAC 60Hz. Do not attempt to use an internal DRY-O-TRON<sup>®</sup> power source unless so directed by Dectron.

In some cases the size of the control wire may have to be increased to allow for contactor inrush. See the chart at right.

Some condenser control transformers may not rated for Class 2 wiring methods. (See NEC Art. 725, CEC Art. 16.) In this case, use Class 1 wiring methods.

In some cases temperature switches inside the remote condenser or the DryCooler may have to be adjusted. See **Startup - Adjustments.** 



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### **OPTIONAL REMOTE PUMP FOR COOL-ING WATER / FLUID CIRCULATION (BY OTHERS**)

Some units may be equipped for the control of a remote pump (by others) which circulates water or glycol fluid to cool the air-conditioning system.

In this case, connect the pump control as shown in the unit wiring diagram or as shown at right.

Refer to unit wiring diagram.

The DRY-O-TRON® dry contacts are rated 5A at 24VAC 60Hz. Do not overload these outputs. The DRY-O-TRON® does not provide output voltage for ventilation, except with the option "Power Supply for Ventilation". Do not attempt to use an internal DRY-O-TRON® power source unless the option "Power Supply for Ventilation" is present.

# **OPTIONAL REMOTE VENTILATION**

### (BY OTHERS) (POWER BY OTHERS)

Some units may be equipped for the control of a ventilation system by others. Unless the optional ventilation power supply was ordered, the ventilation system must have its own power supply so that a circuit closure will enable ventilation.

The DRY-O-TRON® dry contacts are rated 5A at 24VAC 60Hz. Do not overload these outputs. The DRY-O-TRON® does not provide output voltage for ventilation, except with the option "Power Supply for Ventilation". Do not attempt to use an internal DRY-O-TRON® power source unless the option "Power Supply for Ventilation" is present.

# **OPTIONAL REMOTE VENTILATION**

### (BY OTHERS) (OPTIONAL POWER BY DECTRON)

Some units may be equipped with a line-item option called "Power Supply for Ventilation", where up to 80 VA at 24 VAC is made available for the control of a ventilation system (by others).

In this case, there will be a 24VAC ventilation signal derived from the internal control-power system of the unit.

NOTE: The electrical power supply for the "Power Supply for Ventilation" option is not suitable for Class 2 wiring methods.

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DRY-O-TRON® terminal 38 To ventilation control (by others) terminal 39 Seal all conduits attached to

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### **GENERAL ALARM**

DRY-O-TRON<sup>®</sup> units are provided with an output for a general alarm. A dry-contact switch closure is provided to trigger an alarm (by others) in the event of a condition that prevents the normal operation of the unit. The DRY-O-TRON<sup>®</sup> dry contacts are rated 5A at 24VAC 60Hz. Do not overload these outputs. Do not attempt to use an internal DRY-O-TRON<sup>®</sup> power source unless so directed by Dectron.

# DIRTY-FILTER ALARM (OPTIONAL)

Some DRY-O-TRON® units may have an optional alarm to indicate that the pressure drop across the return-air filters is excessive, indicating dirty filters. A dry-contact switch closure is provided to trigger an alarm (by others) in the event of excessively dirty filters. The DRY-O-TRON® dry contacts are rated 5A at 24VAC 60Hz. Do not overload these outputs. Do not attempt to use an internal DRY-O-TRON® power source unless so directed by Dectron.



### FIRESTAT CONNECTION



For units requiring a firestat interlock, remove the jumper between the firestat inputs or as shown on the unit wiring diagram. In the jumper's place substitute an isolated normally closed switch closure from the fire alarm (by others).

If the fire alarm is triggered, the resulting open circuit between these terminals will cause the DRY-O-TRON® to execute an orderly shutdown, including blowers.



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### OPTIONAL OUTDOOR AIR-TEMPERATURE SENSOR (IF ANY)

Some units may have an outdoor air-temperature sensor.

Units with the Economizer, EconoPurge, and/or the Intelligent Energy Saver option must have the outdoor-air temperature sensor.

For some units, the remote outdoor air-temperature sensor may ship uninstalled, and thus must be installed in the field.

### **NOTICE** Risk of component damage.

Sensor must be properly installed.

Select a location for the sensor that will be:

- 1. always in representative outdoor air,
- 2. out of direct sunlight during all seasons and all times of day
- 3. out of other abnormal temperature conditions such as ventilation exhaust streams,
- 4. protected from rain, sleet, ice, etc.,
- 5. within 350 ft (106 m) of the DRY-O-TRON®, and
- 6. protected against damage or vandalism.

Route the cable to avoid sources of electrical noise. Wire the sensor as shown on the unit field-wiring diagram in the unit information package. Connect any cable shields at the DRY-O-TRON<sup>®</sup> end only.

Seal all conduits attached to dehumidifiers.

If an outdoor temperature sensor is unexpectedly connected or disconnected in the field, the controller configuration may have to be changed.



Install outdoor sensors where they will **NOT** be damaged and will **NOT** be exposed to rain or direct sunlight.



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# OPTIONAL WATER FLOW-SWITCH INPUT

For units with water- or fluid-cooled air conditioning, remove the jumper between terminals 60 and

- (a) terminal D12 for single-compressor units,
- (b) terminal 2D2 for two-compressor units, or
- (c) as shown on the unit wiring diagram.

In the jumper's place substitute the output of the fluid flow switch (supplied by Dectron, possibly installed by others). An open circuit between these terminals will cause the

DRY-O-TRON® to execute an orderly shutdown, including blowers.



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#### **OPTIONAL OCCUPIED-PERIOD OUTPUT**

Some DRY-O-TRON® units may have an isolated switchclosure output that closes during occupied periods.

The DRY-O-TRON® dry contacts are rated 5A at 24VAC 60Hz. Do not overload these outputs. Do not attempt to use an internal DRY-O-TRON® power source unless so directed by Dectron.



#### **REMOTE BLOWER SWITCH INPUT**

#### Risk of contact with moving parts. Can cause injury or death.

This product contains rotating parts and V-belt drives. Some installation, service, and maintenance procedures could expose personnel to the risk of injury or death from contact with these parts. Where service tasks might expose a person to moving parts or other stored energy,

Where service tasks might expose a person to moving parts or other stored energy, opening the remote-blower switch input is <u>not</u> a sufficient safeguard. Using only approved devices (e.g. locking safety switch), disconnect, lockout, and

tagout all sources of electrical energy before working inside the unit cabinet. Allow adequate time for rotating parts to stop. Follow all applicable safety regulations. Do <u>not</u> operate the unit until ductwork or a screen is installed at each blower outlet.

*NOTICE* Risk of building damage.

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Risk of condensation on unprepared surfaces. Risk of freezing damage. Risk of biological fouling. Risk of unit damage.

**NOTE:** Be very careful when using this input. Do <u>not</u> stop the unit except briefly for service as long as the humidity load is present. Stopping the unit while the humidity load is present may lead to condensation of water inside the building or inside the unit, with resulting water damage.

#### NOTE: Do not use this input to stop the unit during un-occupied periods.

For units requiring a remote blower switch, remove the jumper between terminals 60 and D7, or as shown on the unit wiring diagram. In the jumper's place substitute an isolated normally-closed switch closure (by others).

An open circuit between these terminals will cause the DRY-O-TRON® to execute an orderly shutdown, including blowers.



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## **Completing and Fire Stopping**

Some units may have motorized damper sections that ship separately. In this case, the damper section(s) must be installed in the field.

Note that these motorized damper sections may require the connection of several wires at installation. Match wire numbers and splice

together carefully.



#### Risk of fire and smoke propagation.

Pipe chases, where present, <u>must be sealed</u> around the pipes, conduits, etc. A metal cap is provided with the unit to assist with closure. In some cases, pipes chases may be subject to fire-stopping requirements. Consult

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applicable codes and the local code-enforcement authority.

#### NOTICE Risk of unexpected air flows and pressurizations.

Air must not be allowed to flow through a pipe chase. Such air flow could lead to contamination of air and to unexpected pressurization of spaces. A pipe chase must be sealed.

#### **Underside Pipe Chases**

Some units may have pipe chases in the base of the unit. These chases may be intended to enclose conduits, heating-water pipes, steam pipes, etc.

**IMPORTANT:** Use the included chase cap to assist in sealing any pipe chases. Air must not be allowed to move through a chase.





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For units equipped with the optional Man-Machine Interface feature, confirm that connections described in <u>Dectron OM Appendix C5 - MMI</u> have been accomplished For units equipped with the optional http, BACnet Ethernet, or BACnet IP communications features, confirm	your initials	322 have been accomplished. For units equipped with an optional Raypak Hi-Delta gas boiler (models 302B - 902B), confirm that connections described in <u>Dectron OM</u> <u>Appendix H7 - Raypak</u> 1000.501C HiDelta Boilers <u>302B-902B</u> have been accomplished.	your initials	
hat connections described in <u>Dectron OM Appendix C6 -</u> <u>LANLink2</u> have been accomplished.	your initials	For units equipped with an optional Raypak Hi-Delta gas boiler (models 992B-2342B), confirm that connections described in <u>Dectron OM</u> <u>Appendix H8 - Raypak</u>		Date:
		<u>1000.511B HiDelta boilers</u> <u>992B-2342B</u> have been accomplished.	your initials	Model No

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**INSTALLATION** 

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# Wiring Checklist A copy of this checklist should be left with the unit.

	Confirm that the unit is con- nected to a branch circuit with voltages which will always be within ±10% of the unit	For outdoor units, confirm that all conduits connected to the unit have been sealed.	your initials		
	nameplate value.	For units with the optional remote controller display			
	Confirm that the unit is con- nected to a branch circuit with the proper current ratings, as specified on the unit nameplate.	confirm that the wiring has been done using the materials and methods specified in this manual.	your initials		
	Confirm that <u>only</u> copper wire your initials	For units with fire/smoke alarm inputs, confirm that the input has been properly wired and that the circuit has been	your initials		
	Confirm that branch-circuit and feeder (if any) wiring were sized to allow at least the	tested.			
_	minimum voltage during compressor starting.	sensor and control-signal circuits have been connected as described in this manual.	your initials		
NSTALLATI	Confirm that all power-lug screws, including factory- tightened ones, were checked for tightness and proper torque.	Confirm that any outdoor relative-humidity transducer has been installed with the sensor pointing downward.	your initials		
NO	Confirm that the unit and any remote condenser, DryCooler, etc., have been properly grounded.	For units with air-cooled air conditioning, confirm that the proper control-wire sizes have been used to enable the remote condenser or	your		
	Confirm that electrical components were covered	DryCooler.	initials		
	against drill chips, etc.	modules on the controllers, confirm that any remote			
	For $3\Phi$ units, confirm that all three phases are present, balanced within 2%, and that the phase sequence is correct.	transducers have been configured for the correct signals.	your initials		
	For units equipped with service light and receptacle, confirm that a suitable branch				
	connected to the service-			Date:	
	power lugs.			Model No	
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#### Risk of unit damage.

Applying an incorrect voltage can cause damage to important parts of the unit. Be sure the branch-circuit voltage to be applied to the unit corresponds to the rated voltage stated on the unit nameplate.



#### Risk of unit damage.

Compressor crankcase heaters must be ON for at least 12 hours before enabling a compressor. Any damage resulting from a failure to allow this heat-up time is not covered by the Dectron warranty.



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#### Risk of property damage.

This unit is not a convenience air conditioner - it is a process dehumidifier that is closely sized to the expected load. Any errors in installation, balancing, or startup will be obvious in operation.

The information presented in this section represents Dectron's best effort as of the time of issue. Compliance with the requirements and recommendations in this section should produce a proper startup of the equipment.

Where any steps are not clear, Dectron offers technical assistance at 1-800-667-6338 or 1-800-676-2566.

Dectron does not warrant that the information herein is complete for any particular application. In some cases job-specific requirements may cause modifications which may not appear in this section. Such modifications will be documented in addenda.

Follow all applicable safety rules and regulations, and all applicable codes. Where any recommendation in this manual conflicts with legal requirements, the legal requirements take precedence.

Dectron, Inc. does not engage in Startup contracting. All costs, risks, and responsibilities of properly starting the equipment are borne by others.

Dectron does offer on-site factory personnel to supervise of the startup process. There is a fee for this service. See details later in this section.

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## Safety Warnings



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#### Risk of electric shock. Can cause injury or death.

Some startup procedures could expose personnel to the risk of electric shock. Electric shock can cause injury or death.

The unit controller does **not** disconnect electrical energy from the unit, even in the OFF condition. Use only approved devices (e.g. locking safety switch), to disconnect, lockout, and tagout all sources of electrical energy before working inside the unit cabinet. Follow all applicable safety regulations.



This product contains rotating parts and V-belt drives. Some startup procedures could expose personnel to the risk of injury or death from contact with these parts.

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Using only approved devices (e.g. locking safety switch), disconnect, lockout, and tagout all sources of electrical energy before working inside the unit cabinet. Allow adequate time for rotating parts to stop. Follow all applicable safety regulations. Do not operate the unit until ductwork or a screen is installed at each blower outlet.



#### Risk of flying liquids, gases, particles. Can cause eye injury.

Many tasks involve risk of exposure to flying materials which can cause eye injury. Always wear protective safety glasses or goggles, as appropriate.



#### Risk of blistering. Can cause injury.

Some surfaces inside an operating unit may be at elevated temperatures. The compressor, refrigerant-discharge tubes, and heat exchangers can become extremely hot during operation.

Compressor crankcase heaters can be extremely hot at any time electrical power is applied.

Turn off the unit and allow time for these parts to cool before working inside the unit cabinet. Wear protective clothing (gloves, sleeves, etc.) while working on these parts. Use gloves and other protective equipment to prevent injury.



#### Risk of pinching or crushing. Can cause injury.

Depending on the size of this product, some startup procedures could expose personnel to the risk of injury by pinching or crushing.

Access doors and panels are under a strong negative pressure when the blower(s) is running. Opening doors may be difficult. Closing doors must be done with a tool to prevent hands from being caught.



#### Risk of falling. Can cause injury or death.

Depending on the size and location of this product, some startup procedures could expose personnel to the risk of injury or death by falling.



Designs should include adequate service and maintenance access. Use fallprotection equipment as appropriate.

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Do not attempt to defeat the fan guards. Do not insert foreign objects through fan guards.

#### CONDENSER FAN ROTATION

#### (units with air-cooled air-conditioning option only)

Units with optional air-cooled air conditioning will have a remote condenser. The condenser fans must rotate so as to produce airflow away from the heat exchanger.

Single-phase fans will inherently turn the proper direction. If three-phase fans turn the wrong way, a qualified person should disconnect the branch circuit and interchange any two wires on the power inlet lugs in the condenser control enclosure. Do not move any factory-installed wires.



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#### Risk of electric shock. Can cause injury or death.

Exposed electric terminals may be present inside electrical and control enclosures. Disconnect the branch circuit, and lockout and tagout sources of electric energy before opening covers. Follow all safety regulations.

#### CONDENSER FAN THERMOSTATS (units with air-cooled air-conditioning option only)

Units with optional air-cooled air conditioning will have a remote condenser. Some remote condensers may have more than one fan. Condensers with multiple fans have a minimum number of fans that run continuously whenever the DRY-O-TRON<sup>®</sup> is in cooling mode. Any other fans will be controlled by thermostats sensing outdoor air temperature.

The thermostats must be adjusted at installation, using the diagrams below and on the next page.



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Print your initials in the boxes to indicate completion. Print "N/A" for items which are not applicable to the installation.

#### Space

Confirm that space heat is available and that the room temperature can be held near nameplate value.

Confirm that the walls and ceiling have been adequately insulated and have a proper vapor barrier (see **Building -Moisture Migration**).

Confirm that any windows are installed and so constructed as to allow proper airflow over the glass (see **Building -Moisture Migration**).

#### **Air Distribution**

Confirm that all ducts have been sized and installed correctly to limit the external static pressure to no more than the specified amount at full rated flow. See Installation - Ducts.

Confirm that no construction dust or other debris is in the return duct or the outdoor-air intake duct (if any).

Confirm that no construction dust or other debris will be drawn into the return duct or the outdoor-air intake duct (if any).

Confirm that the plastic or paper covers over all return grille(s) have been removed.

Confirm that all grilles and diffusers are unobstructed.

Confirm that air distribution is arranged to cause proper flow in all parts of the space. See Installation - Air Distribution

Confirm that air distribution is arranged to cover all surfaces that might reach dew point. See Installation - Air Distribution.

Confirm that arrangements have been made for any tall or very tall windows. See Installation - Air Distribution.

Confirm that supply diffusers are arranged to deliver air to windows, doors, or other possibly cold surfaces at a sharp angle and from a short distance. See **Installation -Air Distribution - Supply Diffusers**.

For fabric duct, confirm that	
the duct is supported in such a	
way that it will not rotate. See $_{\sqcap}$	VO
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#### Piping

Confirm that pipes, conduits, etc., will not interfere with the opening of access doors or panels. See Installation -Piping - General.



Confirm that any external refrigerant tubes are installed in compliance with the recommendations of this manual and published standards. See

#### Installation - Piping -Refrigerant.

For air-cooled units, confirm that refrigerant piping is installed and free of leaks.

For air-cooled units, confirm that remote-condenser tubes have the outside diameters specified on the unit nameplate.

For air-cooled units, confirm that the remote condenser and its connecting tubes have been evacuated as described in this manual. See

#### Installation - Piping - Adding Refrigerant.

For air-cooled units, confirm that the condenser tubes are not longer than specified on the nameplate.

For air-cooled units, confirm that the hot-gas riser tubes (if any) are properly trapped. (See Installation - Piping -**Refrigerant**.)

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For air-cooled units. confirm that the correct amount of oil (if any) has been added. See See Installation - Piping - Oil your Charging.

Confirm that the refrigerantrelief tube (if any) on indoor units has been extended and terminated as appropriate. See Installation - Piping -Refrigerant - Relief Tube.

For units with water-cooled air conditioning, confirm that the pipes for cooling water have been installed per published standards and the recommendations in this manual. See Installation - Piping - Wateror Fluid-Cooled A/C.

Units with water-heat, glycolheat, or steam-heat only: Confirm that the pipes for heating water have been installed per published standards and the recommendations in this manual. See Installation - Piping -Heating.

Confirm that the heating fluid system (if any) is installed and free of leaks.

Confirm that the condensate drain has been installed per published standards and the recommendations in this manual. See Installation -

Piping - Condensate Drain.

Confirm that the condensate



For units with boilers or furnaces, confirm that the fuel gas piping is correctly sized.



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Confirm that all special piping arrangements specified in appropriate appendices have been made. See Installation - Piping - General.

#### **Remote Condenser or Dry-Cooler**®

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Confirm that the condenser or Dry-Cooler® is located properly for good airflow (see Installation-Locate Condenser).

Confirm that the voltage to be applied corresponds to that specified on the nameplate and NEMA MG-1.

Confirm that the remote condenser or Dry-Cooler is properly grounded.

Confirm that only copper conductors are connected to the input lugs. Confirm that the fan cycling thermostats (if any) are adjusted. (See Startup - Pre-

Startup Adjustments.) Confirm that the condenser top and side clearances are at least as large as specified in

Installation-Locate Condenser.

that the correct amount of refrigerant (if any) has been added. See See Installation - Piping - Adding Refrigerant. Date:	drain has been tested by pouring a bucket of water into it. See <b>Installation - Piping -</b> <b>Condensate Drain</b> . For units requiring a conden- sate pump, confirm that the pump is operating.	your initials your initials
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#### Wiring

Confirm that the voltage to be applied to the unit is within ±10% of the rated voltage stated on the unit nameplate and to the other requirements of Installation - Wiring -Power.

For units with air-cooled air conditioning, confirm that the voltage applied to the remote condenser corresponds to that specified on the condenser nameplate.

Confirm that the size of the wire supplying electric power to the DRY-O-TRON® is adequate for the circuit ampacity shown on the nameplate.

For long lengths of power wiring or marginal voltage, confirm that the wire size is adequate for less than 10% voltage drop under compressor starting current.

Confirm that only copper wire was used for any connections to the DRY-O-TRON®.

Confirm that the unit is properly grounded.



Confirm that all electrical connections have been checked for tightness and re-torqued as necessary.

Confirm that all electrical enclosures are clean and dry.

For 3-phase units, confirm that

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the phase sequence is correct for proper blower rotation. See Setup - Airflow.



Confirm that all conduits entering units have been sealed. See Installation -Wiring - Power and Installation - Wiring -**Control Signals.** 



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For units with optional remote controller displays, confirm that the remote displays are wired per the recommendations in this manual. See Installation - Wiring - Control **Signals - Optional Remote** Display.

Confirm that all control signals are wired per published standards and the recommendations in this manual. See Installation - Wiring - Control initials Signals.

Confirm that any special wiring has been accomplished per the instructions in any applicable appendix. See Installation - Wiring -Special.





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#### Test, Adjust, and Balance

Confirm that the balance report shows all airflows to be within ±10% of the required values. See Test, Adjust, Balance.

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For water-cooled units, confirm that the balance report shows cooling-water flow within ±10% of the required values. See Test, Adjust, Balance.

For units equipped with a Dry-Cooler, confirm that the balance report shows glycol flow within ±10% of the required values. See Test, Adjust, Balance.

For units equipped with hotwater or steam heat, confirm that the balance report shows flow within ±10% of the required values. See Test, Adjust, Balance.

Confirm that the T.A.B. checklist is completely and suitably filled out. See Test, Adjust, Balance.

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heaters for at least 12 hours.

Confirm that any dampers, actuators, hoods, etc., shipped

installed. See Installation -

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Pre-Assembly.

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Unit preparation Confirm that adequate space has been left around the DRY- O-TRON® (see Installation - Unpacking and Locating).	your initials	Other For units with duct heaters by others, confirm that all settings allow space heating when so commanded by the unit.	your initials
For indoor DRY-O-TRON® units, confirm that the unit is supported on vibration isola- tors (see Installation - Isolators and Drain).	your initials	For units with hot-water or steam space heat, confirm that all settings allow space heat- ing when so commanded by the unit.	your initials
Confirm that all shipping blocks, shipping braces, com- pressor locks, etc., have been removed or released for normal operation.	your initials	For units with gas furnaces or gas boiler space heat, confirm that all settings allow space heating when so commanded by the unit.	your initials
Confirm that all blower belts are properly aligned and tensioned. See <b>Test, Adjust,</b> <b>Balance</b> .	your initials	For units with water-cooled air conditioning, confirm that cool- ing water will be immediately available when commanded by	your initials
Confirm that all blowers turn in the correct direction. See <b>Test</b> , <b>Adjust, Balance</b> .	your initials	For units with air-cooled air condenser(s) or DryCooler(s),	
For units with an outdoor air intake, confirm that the intake hood is unobstructed.	your initials	confirm that the device is powered and ready to operate.	your initials
Confirm that the air heat exchangers are clean.	your initials		
Confirm that all air filters are clean and in place. See <b>Test</b> , Adjust, Balance.	your initials		
Confirm that power has been			

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#### **Pre-Startup Adjustments** Startup Risk of electric shock. Can cause injury or death. WARNING Exposed electric terminals may be present inside electrical and control enclosures. Disconnect the branch circuit, and lockout and tagout sources of electric energy before opening covers. Follow all safety regulations. On some units, the motors have internal overload protectors. On other units, motor protection involves external overload protectors in the electrical enclosure. Using the unit wiring diagram, determine if the blowers and/or compressors have external overload protectors in the electrical enclosure. If so, locate the overloads for each blower and for each compressor. Units with optional built-on boilers may also have overloads for glycol pumps. Where external overload protectors are present, select the type of protector below and follow the instructions for that type. Other protector types are possible. To enable the motor or to reset the overload protector, turn To enable the the knob clockwise to motor or to reset the START position. the overload To enable the protector, press motor or to reset To enable the motor or to To disable a motor, START. the overload proreset the overload protector, turn the knob to the tector, press push in the blue button. STOP position. To disable a START. motor, press STOP. To disable a $\oslash$ $\bigcirc$ $\bigcirc$ $\bigcirc$ motor, press STOP. START $\bigcirc$ $\bigcirc$ $\otimes$ (#) STO STOP STAR STOP START $\langle 0 \rangle$ $\langle 0 \rangle$ Π

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**NOTICE** Risk of unit damage.

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Call Dectron before changing the trip points.

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#### **DA3/RA3 Series Dehumidifier**

### **Controller Interface**

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## **Controller Interface**

**NOTE:** In the images and the discussion, "aaa", "bbb", "ccc", "ddd", and "xxxxxxx" are placeholders. Your screen will actually show the current values for your unit.





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## **Determine Compressor & Refrigerant Types**

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## Prepare to Adjust Expansion Valve(s)

The expansion valve(s) must be adjusted at startup, since airflow affects the evaporator loading. To obtain proper operation and long life, it is important to adjust the expansion valve(s) as described here.

Do not attempt to adjust the expansion valve based on evaporator superheat.





#### Risk of contact with moving parts. Can cause injury or death.

This product contains rotating parts and V-belt drives. Do not approach any moving parts while electric power is applied to unit. Use only approved devices (e.g. locking safety switch), to disconnect, lockout, and tagout all sources of electrical energy before working inside the unit cabinet. Allow adequate time for rotating parts to stop. Follow all applicable safety regulations.

- 1. For units with air-cooled air conditioning, be sure that the specified additional refrigerant has been added. See Product Description - Unit Nameplate, Installation - Piping - Refrigerant, and Startup - Add Refrigerant.
- 2. Be sure that the airflows have been adjusted as described previously in this section.
- 3. Be sure that the room temperature and relative humidity are near the values shown on the unit nameplate. (See Product Description - Unit Nameplate).
- 4. If the evaporator-bypass damper is manually operated, be sure that it is fully open.

- 5. Locate the compressor for the circuit being adjusted.
- 6. Attach the probe of a remote-reading electronic thermometer (by others) to the compressor-discharge tube approximately 6 inches from the compressor shell. The thermometer should have a range including 100 to 250°F (38 - 120°C).
- 7. Wrap 1/2 inch (1cm) thick insulation around the tube-probe assembly. The insulation should go all the way around the tube, and extend at least 3 inches (8 cm) along the tube on both sides of the probe end.
- 8. Wrap the insulation with foil or foilbacked tape. Close the foil tightly (especially the ends) against the turbulent airflow that will form inside the cabinet.

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Insulation Foil Wrapped Probe Around Insulation

Probe should be 6 inches (15 cm) from the compressor.

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Cable must be able to reach outside the unit cabinet.

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## Prepare to Adjust Expansion Valve(s)

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#### Risk of contact with moving parts. Can cause injury or death.

This product contains rotating parts and V-belt drives. Do not approach any moving parts while electric power is applied to unit. Use only approved devices (e.g. locking safety switch), to disconnect, lockout, and tagout all sources of electrical energy before working inside the unit cabinet. Allow adequate time for rotating parts to stop. Follow all applicable safety regulations.

If there are two or more expansion valves <u>for</u> <u>each refrigeration circuit</u>, then follow the steps below. Otherwise, skip to next page.

- 8a. Attach the probes of remote-reading electronic thermometers to the evaporatorsuction tubes 6 to 18 inches from the evaporators. The thermometers should have a range including 32 to 80°F (0-27°C).
- 8b. Wrap 1/2 inch (1cm) thick insulation around the tube-probe assembly. The insulation should go all the way around the tube, and extend at least 3 inches (8 cm) along the tube on both sides of the probe.
- 8c. Wrap the insulation with foil or foil-backed tape. Close the foil tightly (especially the ends) against the turbulent airflow that will form inside the cabinet.
- 8d. Route the probe cables through the door or access panel to allow temperatures to be read with the unit running.

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## Check / Add Oil



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#### Risk of flying liquids, gases, particles. Can cause eye injury.

This task may involve risk of exposure to flying materials which can cause eye injury. Always wear protective safety glasses or goggles, as appropriate.



#### Risk of contact with moving parts. Can cause injury or death.

This product contains rotating parts and V-belt drives. Do not approach any moving parts while electric power is applied to unit. Use only approved devices (e.g. locking safety switch), to disconnect, lockout, and tagout all sources of electrical energy before working inside the unit cabinet. Allow adequate time for rotating parts to stop. Follow all applicable safety regulations.

For units without oil-level sight glasses, any needed additional oil was added under "Add Pre-Determined Amount of Oil" on a previous page.

For units with oil-level sight glasses,

the oil level <u>must</u> be monitored carefully during the startup phase.

Be sure that the room temperature is within  $4^{\circ}F$  (2.2°C) and the relative humidity is within 10% of the unit-nameplate values. Check the oil level

- 1. 30 minutes after starting the compressor,
- 2. each hour for the four (4) hours after starting the compressor ,
- 3. before leaving for the day, and
- 4. on the second startup day.

Add or remove oil to keep the level as near the middle of the sight glass as possible, and in any case between 1/8 and 3/4 full. **NOTICE Risk of compressor damage.** 

#### DO NOT OVERFILL OR UNDERFILL.

For semi-hermetic compressors, oil can be added through the oil fill plug. -Use standard procedures per compressor manufacturers.

For scroll compressors and hermetic reciprocator compressors, add oil through the low-pressure convenience access valve, mounted on the unit cabinet.

The oil may appear slightly foamy until 30 minutes after the expansion valve is properly adjusted. After the expansion valve(s) is adjusted, the oil should not appear foamy. If the oil appears to be foaming after 30 minutes of operation after the expansion valve is adjusted, contact Dectron.

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#### **Enable Operation**

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#### **IMPORTANT!**

This energy recycling dehumidification system has been tested under design conditions at the factory.

Start-up must be performed by a qualified factory-trained service and installation technician.

Once startup is completed, all portions of the "Startup Report and Warranty Registration" form <u>must</u> be completely filled in and a copy <u>must</u> be sent to the Dectron factory in order to register and validate the warranty. A copy can be faxed to the factory office at 514-334-9184.

#### **NOTICE** Risk of equipment damage.

Do NOT turn on the electric power unless the branch-circuit voltage matches that specified on the unit nameplate.

#### **NOTICE** Risk of equipment damage.

Indoor units require a minimum equipment-room temperature of 70°F (21°C). Units may not start reliably at lower equipment-room temperatures. Contact Dectron if this temperature cannot be maintained.

#### *NOTICE* Risk of equipment damage.

Where compressors are equipped with oil-level sight glasses, the oil level should be monitored closely during the first 10 hours of operation.

#### NOTICE

#### **IMPORTANT!**

#### Heating, Cooling, or Dehumidifying Construction Sites

#### Risk of equipment damage. Risk of property damage.

The DRY-O-TRON<sup>®</sup> unit is <u>not</u> a convenience air conditioner. Its capacity is matched to the expected load. Any damage to the unit and any performance reduction due to abuse or improper installation will be obvious once the building begins normal use.

<u>Never</u> use the unit to heat, cool, or dehumidify a construction site. The air coils must be protected from construction dusts until all construction dusts have been removed from the space, from the return duct, and from the outdoor-air intake (if any). Construction dusts bind to the cooling coil permanently and <u>cannot</u> be removed. Once bound, the dusts reduce heat transfer and airflow rate. <u>Filters will not prevent this.</u>

The resulting performance reduction and possible component damage are <u>not</u> covered by the Dectron warranty.

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**NOTE:** The evaporator pressure may not be stable for a few minutes. This is normal. If instability persists, it should be corrected when the expansion valve is adjusted (see following instructions).

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## **Read Sensors**



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## **Adjust Expansion Valve**

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- 1. Be sure the compressor(s) of the circuit being adjusted is running. If not, return to **Startup Enable Operation**.
- If the unit does not operate in dehumidification mode (status message DEHUMIDIFY ON, see Operation -Controller Messages.), then temporarily decrease the humidity set point to cause it to do so. (See Startup -Adjust Set Points)
- 3. Be sure that the refrigerant sight glass is completely full of liquid, with no bubbles. If bubbles are present, return to step 1 or contact Dectron.
- 4. Check that the room air dry-bulb temperature is approxiately 82°F with a wet-bulb temperature of approximately 68°F. Operate the unit in dehumidification mode for at least 30 minutes. There should be no bubbles in the sight glass. The suction temperature should be 34 45°F (1 7°C). The condensing pressure should in one of the following ranges:

Determine Refrige	erant Type, on a	a previous page.)
R134A	R407C	R410A
145 - 170	245 - 295	295 - 400
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 Allow the unit to run in dehumidification mode for at least 20 minutes, then read the compressor discharge-gas temperature using the remote-reading thermometer (by others) set up under Prepare to Adjust Expansion Valve. The temperature should be in one of the following ranges:

(See Startup- Determine Refrigerant Type, on a previous page.)								
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60 - 80°F	50 - 70°F	50 - 70°F	40 - 60°F					
33 - 44°C	28 - 39°C	28 - 39°C	22 - 33°C					

- (a) If the compressor discharge-gas temperature is too low, close the expansion valve(s) 1/2 turn at a time, allowing at least 15 minutes between adjustments, until the compressor discharge-gas temperature is in the proper range for the compressor type.
  - (b) If the compressor discharge-gas temperature is too high, open the expansion valve(s) 1/2 turn at a time, allowing at least 15 minutes between adjustments, until the compressor discharge-gas temperature is in the proper range for the compressor type.
  - (c) Where each refrigeration circuit has two or more expansion valves, adjust the expansion valves together as much as possible. Complete the adjustments by referring to the previous page, and, using the thermometer probes discussed there, adjust the associated expansion valves to keep the <u>average</u> expansion-valve-bulb temperatures as near the same as possible, while meeting the requirements of (a) and (b) above.
- 7. Allow the DRY-O-TRON® to operate continuously for at least 1 hour after the last adjustment, then check to be sure the compressor discharge-gas temperature is in the correct range for the type of compressor.



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#### Startup

The Start-up Report and Warranty Registration form must be completed and a copy must be sent directly to Dectron within one week of starting a compressor.

NOTE: Some compressors and electric motors may have part-winding start or Y-∆ start. In this case, the compressor currents to be recorded are the total phase currents, not the currents for each individual winding.

#### The startup form can be faxed to Dectron at 1-514-334-9184.

Dectron provides training for installers and service technicians for a nominal fee. Contact the Dectron service department for details, or download the information at http://dot-library.dyndns.org.

In some cases Dectron may be able to provide Dectron personnel to **supervise** the startup procedure for a fee. In this case, the Dectron employee will travel to the site and supervise, guide, and assist the contractor in the startup. The Dectron employee <u>does not do the start-up</u>, he or she supports and trains the contractor as the contractor does the start-up. This service is referred to as "factory startup **supervision**".

Factory startup supervision must be purchased in advance to allow for scheduling personnel. Before Dectron personnel can be assigned to the task, the Dectron service department must receive:

- the completed pre-startup checklist found in Startup Pre-Startup Checklist. Each applicable item of the checklist must be initialed (use "N/A" where an item is not applicable) and both sides of all pages of the checklist must be signed and dated by the responsible party. The responsible party must be authorized to obligate his company to pay for the factory startup assistance.
- telephone confirmation from the responsible party to the Dectron service department that all applicable steps of the installation and startup procedure, along with any other steps specified by the Dectron service department have been completed.

The responsible party may request a specific date for the factory startup supervision. The Dectron service department will then schedule factory startup supervision with the responsible party.

Upon accepting the scheduled date for factory startup supervision, the responsible party accepts the responsibility to:

1. provide a qualified and licensed (as necessary) refrigeration technician to be on site for the duration of the factory startup supervision,

The technician will accomplish the startup while being instructed as necessary by the Dectron employee. This training will be of great value in any future service to the equipment.

- 2. provide and install any extra material such as refrigerant, wire, or other,
- 3. provide any necessary equipment such as hand tools, instruments, pumps, ladders, etc., and
- 4. make available as necessary any other personnel necessary to the startup, such as plumbing and electrical contractors.
- NOTE: If upon arrival the Dectron employee sees that installation steps have been neglected he will return to Dectron and the full price of the factory startup supervision will be billed. Examples of such neglected steps include, <u>but are not limited to</u>:
  - incomplete connection of electric power,
    - incomplete ductwork,
    - incomplete connection of remote condenser (if any), and
    - incomplete control wiring.

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NOTE: To obtain a	dequate readings	s, a delay of ten (10) minute	s is required after every operation or adjustment.	
	Standby (Blowers Only)	Dehumidification Only	Cooling Only Pag	ge 3
Entering-Air Temp. °F			of	14
Leaving-Air Temp. °F				
Room Humidity %				
			Unit	Ref.
			Nun	nber
Outdoor-Air Temp. °F				
Condenser Pressure (PSIG) (By Compressor #)		1     5       2     6       3     7       4     8		
Suction Pressure (PSIG) (By Compressor #)		1     5       2     6       3     7       4     8	1     5       2     6       3     7       4     8	
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Sight Glass Clear (Yes, No, or N/A) (By Compressor #)		1     5       2     6       3     7       4     8	1     5       2     6       3     7       4     8	
Average TX Valve Bulb Temperature (°F) (By Compressor #)		1     5       2     6       3     7       4     8	1     5       2     6       3     7       4     8	
Compressor Discharge-Gas Temperature (°F) (By Compressor #)	1         5           2         6           3         7           4         8	1     5       2     6       3     7       4     8	$ \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 5 \\ 2 & 6 \\ 3 & 7 \\ 4 & 8 \end{bmatrix} $	
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	Heating				Unit Ref.
Entering-Air Temp. °F					Number
Heated-Air Temp. °F					
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Outdoor-Air Temp. °F					
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Attach copies of the com	pleted and s	signed Pre-Startup Check	list.	5.	
Attach any desired furthe	r comments	or explanatory material.	Send all of the abo	ove to:	
4300 Poirier Boulevard		10898 Crabapple Road			
Montreal, QC.	OR	Suite 103			
H4R 2C5 Canada		Roswell, GA 30075			
Fax: 514-334-9184		Fax: 770-649-0243			
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# Safety Warnings



#### Risk of electric shock. Can cause injury or death.

Some operation and maintenance procedures could expose personnel to the risk of electric shock. Electric shock can cause injury or death.

The unit controller does not disconnect electrical energy from the unit, even in the OFF condition. Use only approved devices (e.g. locking safety switch), to disconnect, lockout, and tagout all sources of electrical energy before working inside the unit cabinet. Follow all applicable safety regulations.



#### Risk of contact with moving parts. Can cause injury or death.



This product contains rotating parts and V-belt drives. Some operation and maintenance procedures could expose personnel to the risk of injury or death from contact with these parts.

Using only approved devices (e.g. locking safety switch), disconnect, lockout, and tagout all sources of electrical energy before working inside the unit cabinet. Allow adequate time for rotating parts to stop. Follow all applicable safety regulations. Do not operate the unit unless ductwork or a screen is installed at each blower outlet.



#### **Risk of flying liquids, gases, particles. Can cause eye injury.** Some operation and maintenance procedures involve risk of expos

Some operation and maintenance procedures involve risk of exposure to flying materials which can cause eye injury. Always wear protective safety glasses or goggles, as appropriate.



#### Risk of blistering. Can cause injury.

Some surfaces inside an operating unit may be at elevated temperatures. The compressor, refrigerant-discharge tubes, and heat exchangers can become extremely hot during operation.

Compressor crankcase heaters can be extremely hot at any time electrical power is applied.

Turn off the unit and allow time for these parts to cool before working inside the unit cabinet. Wear protective clothing (gloves, sleeves, etc.) while working on these parts. Use gloves and other protective equipment to prevent injury.



#### Risk of pinching or crushing. Can cause injury.

Depending on the size of this product, some operation and maintenance procedures could expose personnel to the risk of injury by pinching or crushing.

Access doors and panels are under a strong negative pressure when the blower(s) is running. Opening doors may be difficult. Closing doors must be done with a tool to prevent hands from being caught.

# WARNING

#### Risk of falling. Can cause injury or death.



Depending on the size and location of this product, some operation and maintenance procedures could expose personnel to the risk of injury or death by falling. Designs should include adequate service and maintenance access. Use fall-protection equipment as appropriate.

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### Safety Warnings Operation Risk of contamination of breathing air. Can cause injury or death. WARNING Application of this product may involve the intake of outdoor air. The point of intake must be carefully chosen to prevent intake of contaminants. Application of this product may involve air-handling equipment, e.g. ducts, cabinets, plenums, etc., which operate below atmospheric pressure. Such equipment must be carefully located and installed to prevent the intake of contaminants. Follow the instructions in this manual and all applicable codes. Risk of uncontrolled condensation. Can cause property damage. NOTICE This product is intended to control relative humidity and temperatures. Improper design, installation, and/or operation can lead to uncontrolled condensation of water, with associated property damage. Read and follow the instructions in this manual. Optional material will be noted as being optional. All other material should be considered as important to the proper function of the product. Risk of leaking water. Can cause property damage. NOTICE This product may use circulating water under pressure. This product requires a free-flowing drain. Freezing or other abnormal conditions could cause leakage or overflow. Uncontrolled water can cause expensive damage to buildings and other equipment. Do not locate this product above any equipment that could be damaged by water. Risk of unit damage. NOTICE This product uses refrigerant and oil. If the unit has been without electric power for more than two days, a period of 12 hours with electric power applied is required before operating the compressors again. This is necessary to allow compressor crankcase heaters to heat the compressor oil, thus reducing the concentration of refrigerant dissolved in the oil. Risk of unit damage. NOTICE If service or repair requires the closing of manual refrigerant valves, follow the procedures in Service-Closing Manual Valves.

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► Check the Air Filters

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### Maintenance

### The following steps are important to the proper function and long life of the unit.

#### Every Month

# See subsequent task descriptions for safety warnings, etc.

- All units have return-air filters. The unit cannot work properly with dirty filters. Units with outdoor-air intakes must have filters for the outdoor-air intake also. Units with the Economizer, Purge, or EconoPurge options may have filters before the reheat coil also.
- All dirty filters should be replaced with identical new filters. Filters for outdoor air should be moisture resistant.
- Some units may have airflow options as described in Product Description at the front of this manual. For these options, refer to filter requirements in the appropriate manual appendix.
- Units with boilers may have an intake-air filter. This filter should be checked and cleaned even in cooling season.
- Do not operate the unit for any amount of time without all filters in place.
- Check the compressor(s) oil level, if compressor(s) is equipped with an oil-level sight glass.
- Check the lubrication schedules for the blower(s) and motor(s). Lubricate as appropriate.
- Check the belt(s) (if any) on all blower(s)
- Check for excessive wear. Be sure the belt(s) will operate another month.
- Check the blower-belt tension and alignment. Belts should not be so loose as to cause increased slip, nor so tight as to cause excessive shaft-bearing wear. <u>CAUTION:</u> Never open a sheave to remove, install, or adjust a belt use the belt tensioning screw <u>only</u>. Only a qualified technician should change sheave settings.
- Check that the temperature and humidity set points are near those specified on the unit nameplate.
  Check that the condensate drain pan(c) is clean
- Check that the condensate drain pan(s) is clean.
- For units with air-cooled air conditioning or DryCooler air conditioning, check for free airflow in the remote heat exchanger.
  - Clean any trash or leaves that might interfere with proper airflow.
  - Remove any vegetation or other material that might interfere with airflow at the bottom, sides, or top.
- Eliminate chemical fumes
  - For indoor units, remove all chemicals from the DRY-O-TRON® equipment room.
  - For all units, remove all chemicals from any space that allows fumes to leak into the space served by the DRY-O-TRON®.

### **Every Six Months**

Check that there are no bubbles in the sight glass after 10 minutes of compressor operation.

- See Startup Adjustments.
- Check the compressor discharge temperature.
- For units with gas-fueled boilers, check the heat-transfer fluid properties.
- See the fluid properties later in this section.

### **Every Twelve Months**

- Check for blower bearing wear.
- ► Grease the blower bearings.
  - Use a high quality grease for HVAC applications.
  - Do not over-grease. Add grease until just a little oozes out from the bearing shield.
- Check the condensate drain pan for any accumulated residue. Clean as necessary.

#### Check the air heat transfer coils for dirt and/or trash.

- If the coils are dirty
  - $\Delta$  Clean the coils with a solution of mild soap in warm water. Do not use corrosive cleaning agents.
  - $\Delta$  Increase the frequency of filter replacement. Dirty filters leak dirt onto the coils.

#### In the event of an extended shutdown, contact Dectron for a copy of Appendix M4 - Storing Units.

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Each year, photostat this page and the following page and post them near the unit for use by maintenance personnel.

Use the maintenance list from the preceding page and the task descriptions from subsequent pages to accomplish each maintenance task, then record that accomplishment in the maintenance record.

		Initial each completion box.	
YEAR			
Date			
Space Temperature			
Space Temperature Set Point			
Space Humidity			
Space Humidity Set Point			
Equipment room and all connecting rooms clear of all chemicals?			
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YEAR	CTRON	
Air filters clean and in place?		
Unit not exposed to chemical fumes?		
Set points near nameplate values?		
Blower belt wear and tension OK?		
Condensate drain-pan clean?		
Remote heat- exchanger clean?		
Remote heat- exchanger fans OK?		
Compressor oil levels OK (where possible)?		
Sight glass clear?		
Compressor dis- charge temperature NOTE: Compressors 2 through 8 are optional and may not be present on all units.	Compressor #1 °F Compressor #2 °F Compressor #3 °F Compressor #4 °F Compressor #5 °F Compressor #6 °F Compressor #7 °F Compressor #8 °F	Compressor #1 °F Compressor #2 °F Compressor #3 °F Compressor #4 °F Compressor #5 °F Compressor #6 °F Compressor #7 °F Compressor #8 °F
Electrical terminals tight?		
Fleat-transfer fluid OK? Electric motors		
lubricated? Blower bearings OK and greased?	For specific schedules, see Operation- Maintenance-Blower Lubrication	
Air-side heat- transfer coils clean?		
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### **Air Filters**

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#### Risk of contact with moving parts. Can cause injury or death.

This product contains rotating parts and V-belt drives. Some procedures could expose personnel to the risk of injury or death from contact with these parts. Using only approved devices (e.g. locking safety switch), disconnect, lockout, and

tagout all sources of electrical energy before working inside the unit cabinet. Allow adequate time for rotating parts to stop. Follow all applicable safety regulations. Do not operate the unit until ductwork or a screen is installed at each blower outlet.



#### Risk of falling. Can cause injury or death.

Depending on the size and location of this product, some installation, service, and maintenance procedures could expose personnel to the risk of injury or death by falling. Use fall-protection equipment as appropriate.

### CHECK THAT ALL FILTERS ARE CLEAN AND IN PLACE



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### **Blower Belts**



#### Risk of contact with moving parts. Can cause injury or death.

This product contains rotating parts and V-belt drives. Some procedures could expose personnel to the risk of injury or death from contact with these parts. Using only approved devices (e.g. locking safety switch), disconnect, lockout, and tagout all sources of electrical energy before working inside the unit cabinet. Allow adequate time for rotating parts to stop. Follow all applicable safety regulations. Do not operate the unit until ductwork or a screen is installed at each blower outlet.



Belts should not be frayed, glazed, or excessively worn. Follow standard belt-inspection procedures recommended by the belt manufacturer.

To check belt tension, first disconnect electric power from the unit and follow all recommended safety precautions. **Obtain and use a V-Belt tension gauge according to the instructions provided with it.** Most major belt manufacturers provide or recommend a suitable gauge for their belts.

**In an emergency**, the guidelines below may help <u>until</u> a belt tension gauge is obtained.

Measure the distance in inches between the shaft centers. Multiply the number of inches by 1/64. This will be the deflection (D) in the diagram at right.

ex: For S=32 inches,

- $D = S \times 1/64$
- D= 32in x 1/64 = 1/2 in.

Measure the diameter of the smaller sheave.

Read the V-belt cross-section size from the belt label or from the unit nameplate.

Adjust the belt tension to cause the force needed to produce the deflection D to be near that shown in the table on the next page.

ex: For the above example of 32 inches between shaft centers, assume that the belt is a new B60 and that the smaller sheave is 7 inches in diameter. From the table on the next page, a new B60 belt with a 7 inch small sheave should require 6.3 pounds of force to produce the 1/2 inch deflection.

Adjust the belt tension until the measured force necessary to produce the 1/2 inch deflection is about 6.3 pounds.



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### **Blower Belts**

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Risk of contact with moving parts. Can cause injury or death.

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V-Belt Tensioning				
Belt	Small	Deflectior	n force (	lbs.)
size	sheave	Initial	Re-ten	sioning
	(in)	Installation	Max.	Min.
	3.0 - 3.4	3.3	2.9	2.2
A	3.6 - 4.2	3.5	3.1	2.4
	4.6 - 6.0	3.7	3.3	2.5
	4.6 - 5.4	6.0	5.1	4.0
	5.6 - 7.4	0.3	5.5 5.7	4.Z
	70-85	13.2	11.5	9.9
С	9.0 - 12.0	13.9	12.1	9.3
	13.0 - 16.0	14.6	12.6	9.7
	12.0 - 15.5	26.5	22.9	17.6
D	16.0 - 18.0	27.8	24.3	18.7
	22.0 - 27.0	29.1	25.6	19.6
	17.7 - 23.6	39.7	34.4	26.5
E	23.7 - 31.5	41.7	36.2	27.8
	31.6 - 39.3	43.7	37.9	29.1
	2.1 - 3.4	4.4	3.7	2.9
	3.6 - 4.2	4.6	4.0	3.1
	4.0 - 0.0	4.9	4.2	3.3
BY	3.7 - 5.4	1.1	6.6	5.1
	86-94	0.Z 8.6	7.1	5.5 5.7
	50 95	17.0	1.0	0.7
cx	9.0 - 12.0	17.Z	15.0	11.5 12.1
	13.0 - 16.0	19.0	16.5	12.1
	2.65 - 3.35	5.5	4.8	3.0
3V	3.65 - 4.12	6.4	5.7	4.4
	4.5 - 5.6	7.5	6.6	5.1
	6.0 - 10.6	8.6	7.5	5.7
	7.1 - 8.5	19.2	16.7	13.0
5V	9.0 - 11.8	23.3	20.3	15.6
	12.5 - 16.0	27.3	23.8	18.5
0.4	12.5 - 16.0	50.9	44.3	34.4
<sup>8</sup> V	17.0 - 20.0	57.1	49.8	38.6
<u> </u>	21.2 - 24.8	01.3	53.3	41.4
31/2	2.2 - 3.35	5.5	4.8	3.9
344	3.05 - 4.12	0.4	5.7	4.4 5.0
	60-106	8.6	7.5	5.0
<u> </u>	44-85	10.2	16.7	12.0
5VX	9.0 - 11.8	23.3	20.3	15.0
	12.5 - 16.0	27.3	23.8	18.5
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Where sheaves carry more than one belt, never replace only one belt. If any belt must be replaced, replace all the belts with new ones. When replacing multiple belts use only new belts from the same manufacturer and the same lot number, or use matched belts. Failure to do this will result in severe belt wear.

When removing or replacing belts, always relieve the belt tension to position the belts. Severe belt damage and reduction of belt life can be caused by prising or walking a belt onto a sheave.

Belt sheaves must be properly aligned, as shown below.



While the sheaves were aligned at the factory, future adjustments may cause varying degrees of misalignment. A common problem is parallel misalignment, as shown below. Parallel misalignment causes excessive belt, sheave, and bearing wear.



Another common problem is angular misalignment, as shown below. Angular misalignment causes excessive belt, sheave, and bearing wear.



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### **Blower Lubrication**

**Maintenance** 

### Operation

#### Risk of contact with moving parts. Can cause injury or death. WARNING

This product contains rotating parts and V-belt drives. Some procedures could





expose personnel to the risk of injury or death from contact with these parts. Using only approved devices (e.g. locking safety switch), disconnect, lockout, and tagout all sources of electrical energy before working inside the unit cabinet. Allow adequate time for rotating parts to stop. Follow all applicable safety regulations.

Some smaller blowers may be permanently lubricated. Other blowers may have bearings that have grease fittings or oil ports and require lubrication. Where this is the case, use the lubricating instructions provided on the blower nameplate or in accompanying documents. If no instructions are available, then until the proper instructions can be obtained

- a) Use a high-quality NLGI No. 2 or No. 3 multipurpose ball-bearing grease with rust inhibitors and antioxidant additives. Examples are:
  - Shell Alvania No. 2
  - Gulf Gulfcrown No. 2

Mobil - Mobilith AW2 / Mobilith SHC100

- American Rykon Premium 2
- b) Follow the schedule below, based on size and speed of blower shaft.

Initial Relubrication Schedule (Months)

**Ball Bearing Pillow Blocks** 

Speed (RPM)	500	1000	1500	2000	2500	3000	3500	4000	4500
Shaft Diameter									
1/2 " through 111/16"	6	6	5	3	3	2	2	2	1
1 <sup>1</sup> <sup>5</sup> / <sub>16</sub> " through 2 <sup>7</sup> / <sub>16</sub> "	6	5	4	2	2	1	1	1	1
2 <sup>1</sup> <sup>1</sup> / <sub>16</sub> " through 2 <sup>1</sup> / <sub>16</sub> "	5	4	3	2	1	1	1		
37/16" through 315/16"	4	3	2	1	1	1			

1. Be sure the electric power to the unit is OFF, locked out, and tagged out.

- 2. Clean all grease fittings or plugs to remove any paint, dirt, or dust.
- 3. If possible and safe to do so, slowly turn the blower by hand while adding grease.
- 4. Add grease just until a small amount of grease oozes from the seals.
- 5. Repeat for the bearing on the other end of the shaft.

6. When safe an practical to do so, return the blower to operation.

- NOTE: Some units have more than one blower. See Product Description for suggested search locations.
- **NOTE:** The frequency of lubrication may have to be changed, based on hours of operation, temperature, surrounding conditions, and the condition of the purged grease.
- **NOTE:** Grease the bearings before an extended shutdown or storage.
- NOTE: During an extended shutdown, rotate the blower shaft monthly.

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# Check Refrigerant Level

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Be sure there are no bubbles or droplets in the refrigerant sight glasses after ten minutes of compressor operation.

If bubbles or droplets are noted, contact Dectron or a Dectron-certified technician.



Some units have sight glasses located behind transparent windows in access panels.

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Oil droplets in the sight glass may indicate severe problems such as loss of refrigerant.

Bubbles in the sight glass indicate problems such as a

possible loss of refrigerant.



After 15 minutes of compressor operation, the sight glass should be clear and full of liquid refrigerant.

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**Check Oil Level** 

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#### Risk of contact with moving parts. Can cause injury or death.

This product contains rotating parts and V-belt drives. Do not approach any moving parts while electric power is applied to unit. Use only approved devices (e.g. locking safety switch), to disconnect, lockout, and tagout all sources of electrical energy before working inside the unit cabinet. Allow adequate time for rotating parts to stop. Follow all applicable safety regulations.

For units without oil-level sight glasses, oil levels cannot be checked.

For units with oil-level sight glasses,



the oil level <u>must</u> be monitored as part of schedule maintenance.

Be sure that the room temperature is within 4°F (2.2°C) and the relative humidity is within 10% of the unitnameplate values. Check the oil level after 30 minutes of compressor operation.

The oil level should be as near the middle of the sight glass as possible, and in any case between 1/4 and 3/4 full.

If the oil level is incorrect after 30 minutes of compressor operation, contact a Dectron-certified technician.

**NOTICE** Risk of compressor damage. DO NOT OVERFILL OR UNDERFILL.

The oil may appear foamy until 30 minutes after the expansion valve is properly adjusted. After the valve is adjusted, the oil should <u>not</u> appear foamy. If the oil appears to be foaming after 30 minutes of operation after the expansion valve is adjusted, contact Dectron.

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### **Fire/Smoke Alarm Testing**

Some DRY-O-TRON® units may be connected to fire/smoke alarms, which may be tested periodically. In this case, activation of the alarm will cause an immediate shut-down of the unit. Activation of the fire/smoke alarm may also cause fire dampers (by others) or other devices to close.

After the test, and when safe to do so, restarting the unit requires:

For units with automatic fire/smoke-alarm reset

- 1. Reset the fire/smoke alarm system (by others). Be sure that the alarm's isolated output to the DRY-O-TRON® is closed.
- 2. Confirm that any fire dampers or fire doors are back to the normal operating position.
- 3. The unit should re-start automatically.

For units with manual fire/smoke-alarm reset

1. Reset the fire/smoke alarm. Be sure that the alarm's isolated output to the DRY-O-TRON® is closed.

- 2. Confirm that any fire dampers or fire doors are back to the normal operating position.
- 3. Reset the DRY-O-TRON® unit as shown below.



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#### Check Discharge Temps. **Maintenance** Operation Risk of contact with hot surfaces. Can cause injury. CAUTION This product contains surfaces which can cause burn injury. The compressor, refrigerant-discharge tubes, and heat exchangers can become extremely hot during operation. Turn off the unit and allow time for these parts to cool before working inside the unit cabinet. Wear protective clothing (gloves, sleeves, etc.) while working on these parts. 1. Determine the type of compressor present, as noted in **Startup - Determine Compressor Type**. Determine the type of refrigerant from the unit nameplate. 2. Check that the room air dry-bulb temperature is approxiately 82°F with a wet-bulb temperature of approximately 68°F. Operate the unit in dehumidification mode for at least 30 minutes. The refrigerant sight glass should be full of liquid; there should be no bubbles. The suction temperature should be 34 - 45°F (1 - 7°C). (See Startup-Determine Refrigerant Type.) R-22 R134A R-407C R-410A (degrees above (degrees above (degrees above (degrees above condensing temperature) condensing temperature) condensing temperature) condensing temperature) 60 - 80°F 50 - 70°F 50 - 70°F 40 - 60°F 33 - 44°C 28 - 39°C 22 - 33°C 28 - 39°C NOTE: In the images and the discussion below, "aaa", "bbb", "ccc", "ddd", and "xxx" are placeholders. Your screen will actually show the current values for your unit. Default Screen HUMIDITY aaa / bbb % ROOM AIR ccc / ddd F MAIN MENU SCROLL DOWN FOR OPTIONS Press | ↓ | repeatedly to reach screen below. GO TO INDOOR HUMIDITY |₽ SENSOR READINGS READING. . . XXXF repeatedly to reach screen below. Press | | DISCHARGE 1 TEMP Compressor No. 1 READING. . . xxxF **Discharge Temperature** Press | repeatedly to reach screen below. DISCHARGE 2 TEMP Compressor No. 2 (if any) READING. . . xxxF **Discharge Temperature**

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### **Check Drain Pans**



#### Risk of contact with moving parts. Can cause injury or death.

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Horizontal units may have one or more drain pans to collect condensate and deliver it to the drains.

Drain pans should be checked to be sure they drain completely and to be sure material is not accumulating.

Drain pans may collect dirt or other foreign materials.

Keep them clean by washing them out as necessary. Be sure the condensate drain works.

Units with the SmartSaver option<sup>2</sup> will have a drain pan under the exhaust heat exchanger.

Units with the pumped- SmartSaver option may have a drain pan under the intake-air heat exchanger.



All horizontal units will have a drain pan(s) under the cooling heat exchanger(s).

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# Heating and Cooling Availability

#### Heating Availability

Room-temperature control is an important part of humidity control.

- The dehumidifier capacity is matched to the rated pool-evaporation rate. The pool-evaporation rate will increase if
- 1. the pool temperature remains the same while room temperature is decreased, or
- 2. the pool temperature is increased while the room temperature remains the same.

Space heat must be under the control of the DRY-O-TRON®. All installations must have space heat available year-round. The DRY-O-TRON® will command only enough heat to keep the evaporation rate within a workable range.

- **NOTE:** Where space heaters are by others, the space heaters must heat the supply air. Do not install a heater in the return duct.
- NOTE: For units with hot-water or hot-glycol space heaters by Dectron, unless otherwise noted, full heating capacity requires the water or fluid temperature to be between 160°F (71°C) and 180°F (82°C).
- NOTE: Unless equipped with a space heater, the DRY-O-TRON® does not produce significant heat it recycles heat. A dedicated space heater must be ordered with the unit or provided by others.
- NOTE: Building heat losses are calculated by others and consequently are sized by others. Dectron does not select space-heater capacities.



#### COOLING AVAILABILITY

Where the DRY-O-TRON® unit has the cooling option and any required cooling water or other fluid is provided by others, it is essential that the cooling water or fluid be available at any time the DRY-O-TRON® may be operating.

Do not turn off cooling water or fluid based on time-of-day, time-of-year, outdoor temperature, or other considerations.

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#### $\Delta$ Dehumidification

On a call for dehumidification only, DRY-O-TRON® operates in dehumidification with minimum waterheating mode.

#### $\Delta$ On a call for cooling

The A/C hot gas solenoid valve is energized and the outdoor condenser fan is operating. The DRY-O-TRON® runs in air-conditioning mode.

#### $\Delta$ Pool Water Heating

Pool water temperature is maintained by minimum and maximum water heating modes. On a call for pool water heating, the pool water hot gas solenoid valve is energized. The DRY-O-TRON® operates in maximum water-heating mode.

#### $\Delta$ Space Heating

On a call for space heating, the DRY-O-TRON® operates as above for dehumidification and pool-water heating. In addition, the auxiliary space heating system is activated by contacts provided.



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**Logical Flowchart** 



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### **Read Status Messages**

If it is desired to check the current status messages, using the controller-interface map below access the STATUS MESSAGES screen.

Press from view all status messages.



**NOTE:** In the images and the discussions, "aaa", "bbb", "ccc", "ddd", and "xxx" are placeholders. Your screen will actually show the current values for your unit.

Press f or as necessary to see all the status messages.

Refer to the following page for a list of status messages and their meanings. Some units may have special status messages. In this case, refer to the Sequence of Operation supplied with the unit.

Press  $\lfloor Esc \rfloor$  repeatedly to return to the main menu or the default screen.

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### Set-Point Adjustment



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### **Read Sensors**

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The values of some sensor signals are displayed on the default screen, as at right. To read all sensors, follow the steps below.

**NOTE:** In the images and the discussion below, "aaa", "bbb", "ccc", "ddd", and "xxx" are placeholders. Your screen will actually show the current values for your unit.



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### Alarms



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ALARM	POSSIBLE CAUSES	CHECKS & CORRECTIONS		
A/C LOW WATER FAULT	Reduction of cooling water flow. Water pressure switch incorrectly adjusted.	<ul> <li>Be sure the correct water flow is present.</li> <li>Adjust switch. See section Startup - Adjust Flow Switches.</li> </ul>		
BLOWER OVERLOAD	Cabinet doors left open	Close all cabinet doors. Reset overload.		
	Excessive airflow	<ul> <li>Be sure airflow is as specified on unit nameplate.</li> </ul>		
	Overload device manual switch is OFF	<ul> <li>Check switch position visually.</li> <li>Press the OFF switch, then press the ON switch.</li> </ul>		
	Blower motor current too high	<ul> <li>Check that the blower motor current is not higher than the unit nameplate value.</li> <li>Adjust the branch circuit voltage to the nameplate value ±10%.</li> <li>Adjust the blower sheaves to produce design airflow.</li> </ul>		
	Unexpected open switch circuit	<ul> <li>Check for loose terminals on overload device auxiliary switch.</li> <li>Tighten as necessary</li> <li>Check for continuity of overload device auxiliary switch</li> <li>Replace as necessary</li> </ul>		
	Defective overload device	Replace overload device as necessary. Contact Dectron or your Dectron representative for referral to a Dectron-certified technician.		
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COMPRESSOR X HIGH PRESSURE FAULT,	Manual isolation valves not opened at installation	Be sure all isolation valves are opened.
where "X" is a place- holder. Your display will actually show a number associated with a partic- ular refrigeration circuit.	Loss of cooling water on water- cooled units	<ul> <li>Be sure water flow is correct. See Startup - Adjust Flow Switches.</li> <li>Be sure the cooling water temperature is not above that stated on the unit nameplate.</li> </ul>
	Loss of airflow in remote condensers on air-cooled units	<ul> <li>Be sure the remote condenser safety switch is ON. Be sure that all fuses (if any) are good.</li> <li>For polyphase condensers, be sure that all phases are present. Be sure the fans turn the proper direction.</li> <li>Be sure that there are no walls, fences, bushes, or other airflow interruptions near the remote condenser. See Installation - Locate Remote Condenser.</li> <li>Be sure the remote condenser is clean.</li> </ul>
	Improperly adjusted pressure control valve(s)	<ul> <li>Consult Dectron or a Dectron-certified technician.</li> </ul>
	Return air temperature too high	<ul> <li>Be sure set points correspond to those shown on the unit nameplate.</li> </ul>
		<ul> <li>Be sure controller outputs are not calling for heating. See unit wiring diagram.</li> </ul>
	Fouled or damaged reheat coil	<ul> <li>Be sure reheat coil is not coated with foreign materials such as dirt from unfiltered outdoor air or scum from spas / hot tubs.</li> </ul>
		<ul> <li>Be sure reheat coil is not corroded. Corrosion is due to poor chemical storage or excessive chloramine production.</li> </ul>
	Excess refrigerant	• This will be most common in warm weather. Be sure the total refrigerant charge corre- sponds to the amount shown on the unit nameplate.
	Defective high pressure switch	<ul> <li>Consult Dectron or a Dectron-certified technician.</li> </ul>
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COMPRESSOR X HIGH DISCHARGE FAULT, where "X" is a place- holder. Your display will actually show a number	Improperly adjusted refrigerant expansion valve(s) Excessive return airflow	<ul> <li>Consult Dectron or a Dectron-certified technician.</li> <li>Contact an air-balance service to be sure the airflow is within tolerance.</li> </ul>
associated with a partic- ular refrigeration circuit.	Inadequate refrigerant	• With the compressor running, check for bubbles in the sight glass(es). If bubbles are present contact Dectron or a Dectron- certified technician.
	Defective temperature sensor	<ul> <li>Consult Dectron or a Dectron-certified technician.</li> </ul>
COMPRESSOR X LOW DISCHARGE FAULT,	Improperly adjusted refrigerant expansion valve(s)	<ul> <li>Consult Dectron or a Dectron-certified technician.</li> </ul>
where "X" is a place- holder. Your display will	Inadequate return airflow	<ul> <li>Contact an air-balance service to be sure the airflow is within tolerance.</li> </ul>
actually show a number associated with a partic- ular refrigeration circuit.	Improperly adjusted pressure control valve(s)	<ul> <li>Consult Dectron or a Dectron-certified technician.</li> </ul>
COMPRESSOR X LOW PRESSURE FAULT, where "X" is a place- holder. Your display will actually show a number associated with a partic- ular refrigeration circuit.	Manual isolation valves not opened at installation Inadequate refrigerant charge Low room air temperature Low room humidity Inadequate return airflow Clogged refrigerant filter-drier Improperly adjusted pressure	<ul> <li>Be sure all manual isolation valves are open.</li> <li>The refrigerant sight glasses must be completely full whenever the compressor has been running for at least five minutes. If this is not the case, consult Dectron or a Dectroncertified technician.</li> <li>Be sure set points correspond to those shown on unit nameplate. Be sure room heater is working properly.</li> <li>Be sure set points correspond to those shown on unit nameplate. Be sure outdoor makeup airflow rate is not excessive.</li> <li>Contact an air-balance service to be sure the airflow is within tolerance.</li> <li>Consult Dectron or a Dectron-certified technician.</li> </ul>
	control valves Defective refrigerant expansion valve Defective pressure switch	<ul> <li>Consult Dectron or a Dectron-certified technician.</li> <li>Consult Dectron or a Dectron-certified technician.</li> <li>Consult Dectron or a Dectron-certified technician.</li> </ul>

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COMPRESSOR X OIL FAILURE, where "X" is a place- holder. Your display will actually show a number	Low oil level in compressor crankcase	<ul> <li>Check oil level in compressor oil sight glass.</li> <li>Be sure the evaporator pressure does not operate below 50 PSI for significant periods.</li> </ul>		
associated with a partic- ular refrigeration circuit.		• For units with air-cooled air conditioning, be sure the refrigerant tubes to the remote con- denser are not longer than the length specified on the unit nameplate.		
		• For units with air-cooled air conditioning, be sure the refrigerant tubes to the remote con- denser are the same O.D. as specified on the unit nameplate.		
		• For units with air-cooled air conditioning where the remote condenser is more than 20 feet above the DRY-O-TRON®, be sure the hot- gas riser tube(s) have P-traps as specified in this manual.		
	Excessive compressor wear	<ul> <li>Consult Dectron or a Dectron-certified technician.</li> </ul>		
	Compressor oil pump failure	Consult Dectron or a Dectron-certified technician.		
	Compressor oil pressure switch failure	<ul> <li>Oil pressure should be more than 10 PSI above evaporator pressure.</li> <li>Consult Dectron or a Dectron-certified technician.</li> </ul>		
COMPRESSOR X OVERHEAT, where "X" is a place- holder. Your display will actually show a number	Applied voltage out of tolerance or out of balance	• A qualified person should be sure that the average applied voltage is within ±10% of the nameplate value and that the individual phase voltages are within ±1% of the average voltage (See NEMA MG-1).		
associated with a partic- ular refrigeration circuit.	Low oil level in compressor crankcase	See "OIL PRESSURE FAILURE" above		
	Evaporator pressure too low or hot gas bypass valve open too long (when so equipped).	• Be sure the evaporator pressure does not operate below 55 PSI for significant periods. Be sure HGBV is properly adjusted.		
	Defective refrigerant expansion valve	Consult Dectron or a Dectron-certified technician.		
	Defective compressor overheat detector	Consult Dectron or a Dectron-certified technician.		
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COMPRESSOR X OVERLOAD, where "X" is a place- holder. Your display will actually show a number associated with a partic- ular refrigeration circuit.	Applied voltage out of tolerance or out of balance	• A qualified person should be sure that the average applied voltage is within ±10% of the nameplate value and that the individual phase voltages are within ±1% of the average voltage (See NEMA MG-1). Reset overload.
	Evaporator bypass damper closed when room is above 78°F and 40%rh.	• Be sure evaporator-bypass damper is fully open when the room temperature is above 78°F and the room relative humidity is above 40%.
		• Manual dampers should be locked in the open position when room is above 78°F and 40%rh. Automatic dampers have a motorized actuator to open the damper when the temperature of the air leaving the evaporator is above 50°F. Reset overload.
	Room temperature too high	• Be sure that the room temperature set point is near the value specified on the unit nameplate. Reset overload.
		• Be sure that the space heater is responding to signals from the DRY-O-TRON®. Reset overload.
	Room humidity too high	• Be sure that the room humidity set point is near the value specified on the unit nameplate. Reset overload.
	Defective compressor overload device	• Compare trip current to maximum current specified on unit nameplate. A qualified person should adjust or replace the overload as necessary.
COMPRESSOR X PUMPDOWN TOO	Leaking liquid line solenoid valve	Consult Dectron or a Dectron-certified technician.
where "X" is a place- holder. Your display will actually show a number associated with a partic- ular refrigeration circuit.	Leaking hot gas bypass valve(s) shutoff solenoid valve(s) (where so equipped)	Consult Dectron or a Dectron-certified technician.
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EVAPORATOR X SENSOR FAULT, where "X" is a place- holder. Your display will actually show a number associated with a partic- ular refrigeration circuit.	The signal from the evaporator leaving air temperature sensor is out of range.	<ul> <li>Be sure the sensor cable is properly connected to both the sensor and the controller.</li> <li>Disconnect the cable from the control check the resistance of the sensor and combination. Compare to the chart are end of this section.         <ul> <li>If the resistance is outside the allor range, disconnect the cable from the and be sure the resistance of the cable from the the cable wires together and be sure the resistance of the sensor is either condition fails, replace cable.             Compare the resistance of the sentence is less than 5 ohms.</li> <li>either condition fails, replace cable.</li> <li>Compare the resistance of the sentence of the sentence of the sensor if necessary.</li> </ul> </li> </ul>	e oller and d cable t the wable sensor le is nds of the If nsor Replace
EXPANSION MODULE COMMUNICATION FAILURE	Cable or addressing problem	<ul> <li>Consult Dectron or a Dectron-certifie technician.</li> </ul>	d
FIRESTAT ALARM Where so equipped, the DRY-O-TRON® will shut down.	Fire or smoke present Fire alarm (by others) has been tested but not completely reset Broken fire alarm wiring (by oth- ers) Shorted fire alarm wiring (by oth- ers)	<ul> <li>Be sure there is no fire.</li> <li>Contact your fire alarm technician.</li> <li>Contact your fire alarm technician.</li> <li>Contact your fire alarm technician.</li> </ul>	
FREEZESTAT ALARM The signal from freeze- stat (where so equipped) indicates imminent freezing of the heating coil. Where so equipped, the DRY-O- TRON® will shut down.	Heating fluid (water or steam) too cold Inadequate flow of heating fluid (water or steam) Excessive outdoor airflow rate Outdoor air temperature unex- pectedly low. Return air filters too dirty Defective freezestat	<ul> <li>Be sure heating source is operating a properly adjusted.</li> <li>Be sure flow rates are as specified.</li> <li>Be sure the outdoor air intake rate is specified.</li> <li>Outdoor air intake rate may have to b reduced during coldest weather.</li> <li>Replace with clean filters.</li> <li>Check that the air temperature at the coil is approximately 40°F when the firtrips.</li> </ul>	and as be heating reezstat
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GAS BOILER ALARM	A general failure of an associated gas boiler supplied by Dectron.	Consult the boiler manual.
GLYCOL PUMP OVER- LOAD The motor protection device for the glycol	Excessive glycol viscosity	• Be sure the glycol is of the proper type and concentration.
oump (where so equipped) has tripped.	Glycol temperature colder than expected.	<ul> <li>Be sure glycol temperature is above -30°F.</li> </ul>
	Applied voltage out of tolerance or out of balance	• A qualified person should be sure that the average applied voltage is within $\pm 10\%$ of the nameplate value and that the individual phase voltages are within $\pm 1\%$ of the average voltage (See NEMA MG-1). Reset overload.
HUMIDITY SENSOR FAULT	Sensor cable disconnected	• Be sure the sensor cable is properly connected to both the sensor and the controller.
Humidity sensor signal is out of range.	Sensor cable broken or shorted	• Disconnect the cable from the sensor and from the controller and be sure the resistance of the cable is above 1 million ohms. Connect the ends of the cable wires together at the sensor end and be sure the cable resistance is less than 5 ohms. If either condition fails, replace the
	Defective sensor	cable. Compare the output signal of the sensor itself to the expected value. Replace sensor if necessary. Connect sensor and cable to controller.
MAX. EXHAUST BLOW- ER OVERLOAD (Purge mode equipped	Excess Maximum Exhaust airflow rate	• Be sure the Maximum Exhaust airflow rate is as specified. Excess airflow can overload some blowers.
The motor protection device for the larger exhaust air blower has tripped.	Applied voltage out of tolerance or out of balance	• A qualified person should be sure that the average applied voltage is within ±10% of the nameplate value and that the individual phase voltages are within ±1% of the average voltage (See NEMA MG-1). Reset overload.
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MIN. EXHAUST BLOW- ER OVERLOAD (Purge mode equipped units) The motor protection device for the smaller exhaust air blower has tripped.	Excess Maximum Exhaust airflow rate Applied voltage out of tolerance or out of balance	<ul> <li>Be sure the Minimum Exhaust airflow rate is as specified. Excess airflow can overload some blowers.</li> <li>A qualified person should be sure that the average applied voltage is within ±10% of the nameplate value and that the individual phase voltages are within ±1% of the average voltage (See NEMA MG-1). Reset overload.</li> </ul>
OUTDOOR HUMIDITY SENSOR FAULT Outdoor humidity sensor (where so equipped) sig- nal is out of range.	Sensor cable disconnected Sensor cable broken or shorted Defective sensor	<ul> <li>Be sure the sensor cable is properly connected to both the sensor and the controller.</li> <li>Disconnect the cable from the sensor and from the controller and be sure the resistance of the cable is above 1 million ohms. Connect the ends of the cable wires together at the sensor end and be sure the cable resistance is less than 5 ohms. If either condition fails, replace the cable.</li> <li>Compare the output signal of the sensor itself to the expected value. Replace sensor if necessary. Connect sensor and cable to controller.</li> </ul>
OUTDOOR TEMPERA- TURE SENSOR FAULT The signal from the out- door air temperature sensor is out of range.	Sensor cable disconnected Sensor cable broken or shorted Defective sensor	<ul> <li>Be sure the sensor cable is properly connected to both the sensor and the controller.</li> <li>Disconnect the cable from the controller and check the resistance of the sensor and cable combination. Compare to the chart at the end of this section. If the resistance is outside the allowable range, disconnect the cable from the sensor and be sure the resistance of the cable is above 1 million ohms. Connect the ends of the cable wires together and be sure the cable resistance is less than 5 ohms. If either condition fails, replace cable.</li> <li>Compare the resistance of the sensor itself to the sensor resistance chart. Replace sensor if necessary.</li> </ul>

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POOL 1 IN SENSOR FAULT or POOL 2 IN SENSOR FAULT The signal from the inlet pool water temperature sensor is out of range.	Sensor cable broken or shorted Defective sensor	<ul> <li>Be conne</li> <li>Dis check combined of this lifthe disconsure to the disconsure to the replace</li> <li>Control to the if nece control to</li></ul>	sure the sensor cable is properly incided to both the sensor and the controller and the resistance of the sensor and cable ination. Compare to the chart at the end a section. The resistance is outside the allowable range, meet the cable from the sensor and be the resistance of the cable is above 1 mil- thms. Connect the ends of the cable wires her and be sure the cable resistance is han 5 ohms. If either condition fails, the cable. The resistance of the sensor itself sensor resistance chart. Replace sensor sessary. The the sensor and cable to controller.
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POOL 1 LEAVING WATER TOO HOT or POOL 2 LEAVING WATER TOO HOT The temperature of the water returning to the pool has exceeded 120°F. The unit will shut down.	Inadequate pool water flow rate Pool water temperature too high	<ul> <li>Be sure the pool water flow rate is as specified in this manual.</li> <li>Be sure the pool water set point is as specified.</li> <li>Be sure the pool water heating solenoid valve closes. Check the solenoid valve signal. Replace the valve as necessary.</li> </ul>
POOL 1 LOW WATER FAULT or POOL 2 LOW WATER FAULT The flow detection pressure switch circuit is open. Pool water heat- ing is inhibited.	Inadequate pool water flow rate Pool water pressure switch is not adjusted Defective pool water pressure switch.	<ul> <li>Be sure the pumps are working.</li> <li>Be sure the valves are in the correct position.</li> <li>Check and set water flow rate as discussed in Startup - Adjustments.</li> <li>Set as discussed in Startup - Adjustments.</li> <li>Set as discussed in Startup - Adjustments. If the switch cannot be adjusted, contact</li> </ul>
POOL 1 OUT SENSOR FAULT Or POOL 2 OUT SENSOR FAULT	Sensor cable disconnected Sensor cable broken or shorted	<ul> <li>Be sure the sensor cable is properly connected to both the sensor and the controller.</li> <li>Disconnect the cable from the controller and check the resistance of the sensor and cable combination. Compare to the chart at the end</li> </ul>
The signal from the inlet pool water temperature sensor is out of range.		of this section. If the resistance is outside the allowable range, disconnect the cable from the sensor and be sure the resistance of the cable is above 1 mil- lion ohms. Connect the ends of the cable wires together and be sure the cable resistance is less than 5 ohms. If either condition fails, replace cable.
	Defective sensor	• Compare the resistance of the sensor itself to the sensor resistance chart. Replace sensor if necessary. Connect sensor and cable to controller.

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POOL 1 PERFOR- MANCE ALARM or POOL 2 PERFOR- MANCE ALARM The pool water temper- ature difference is less than 8°F after 5 minutes	Pool water flow rate too high Pool water temperature sensors not calibrated Loss of refrigeration capacity	<ul> <li>Be sure the pool water flow rate is as specified.</li> <li>Consult Dectron or a Dectron-certified technician.</li> <li>Be sure the refrigerant sight glass is full. There should be neither bubbles nor droplets.</li> </ul>	
of heating.	functioning	Consult Dectron or a Dectron-certified technician.	
POWER FAILURE The voltage monitor circuit is open.	Input voltage out of range	<ul> <li>A qualified person should be sure that the average applied voltage is within ±10% of the nameplate value and that the individual phase voltages are within ±1% of the average voltage (See NEMA MG-1).</li> <li>Note that the input voltage can go below nominal ±10% at the moment of compressor startup. A qualified person should measure the input voltage at the moment of compressor startup.</li> </ul>	
	Input voltage phase rotation reversed	• A qualified person should interchange any two wires of the branch circuit. Do not move any factory-installed wires.	
	One or more phases of the input voltage are missing	• A qualified person should determine that all phases are present. Check fuses and/or circuit breakers.	
	For 460 V units, there is a crack in the socket of the voltage moni- tor	• A qualified person should inspect the socket. Replace as necessary.	
	Defective voltage monitor	<ul> <li>Consult Dectron or a Dectron-certified technician.</li> </ul>	
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#### UNITS WITH VOLTAGE MONITOR ONLY



This product contains rotating parts and V-belt drives. Some installation, service, and maintenance procedures could expose personnel to the risk of injury or death from contact with these parts.

Using only approved devices (e.g. locking safety switch), disconnect, lockout, and tagout all sources of electrical energy before working inside the unit cabinet. Allow adequate time for rotating parts to stop. Follow all applicable safety regulations.

Identify the type of voltage monitor present.



#### For TYPE 2 monitors, skip to next page.

#### Type 1 Voltage Monitor

After power wiring is complete, and when safe to do so, turn on the branchcircuit disconnect switch. In some cases the blower may start. Some DRY-O-TRON® units may have voltage monitors that prevent operation in the event the branch circuit has voltage that is too high, too low, has lost a phase, or has reversed phase sequence.

If the green LED ·

is not lit, confirm that the applied voltage is within  $\pm 10\%$  of the nameplate voltage (NEMA MG-1), that all three phases are present, and that the phase sequence is correct. Be sure that the knob(s) are set correctly.

The over-voltage setting should be at nominal voltage plus 10%.

The under-voltage setting should be at nominal voltage minus 10%.





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OUTPUT

18.8%

NOM

NOM

- 8%

12.5%

NOM

NOM

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4%

NOM - 12.5%

+ 6.3%

NOM

+ 25%

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#### Normal

When the green LED is on steady, the voltages are within normal range, all voltages are present, and the phase sequence is correct. No action is needed.

#### Incorrect Phase Sequence

When the green LED alternates with both red LEDs, the incoming branch circuit phase sequence is wrong, and the DRY-O-TRON cannot operate.

Disconnect electrical power from the branch circuit, follow all necessary and proper safety procedures, and remove any two branchcircuit conductors from the input lugs. Exchange their places and reconnect. Tighten as appropriate.

Following all safety procedures, re-apply electrical power. The voltage monitor should be normal as shown above.

#### Phase Loss

When the green LED is flashing and with both red LEDs are off, the incoming branch circuit does not have all three phases, and the DRY-O-TRON cannot operate.

Have a qualified electrician fix the problem and re-apply electrical power. The voltage monitor should be normal as shown above.

#### Incoming Voltage Below Minimum Allowable

When the green LED is flashing and the lower red LED is on, the incoming voltage is too low, and the DRY-O-TRON cannot operate. Voltages below this level will result in motor overheating. Do <u>not</u> adjust the voltage monitor without explicit instructions from Dectron. Have a qualified electrician fix the problem and re-apply electrical power. The voltage monitor should be normal as shown above.

#### Incoming Voltage Above Maximum Allowable

When the green LED is flashing and the upper red LED is on, the incoming voltage is too high, and the DRY-O-TRON cannot operate. Voltages above this level will result in motor overheating. Do <u>not</u> adjust the voltage monitor without explicit instructions from Dectron. Have a qualified electrician fix the problem and re-apply electrical power. The voltage monitor should be normal as shown above.

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RETURN AIR SENSOR FAULT The signal from the return air temperature sensor is out of range.	Sensor cable disconnected Sensor cable broken or shorted	<ul> <li>Be sure the sensor cable is properly connected to both the sensor and the controller.</li> <li>Disconnect the cable from the controller and check the resistance of the sensor and cable combination. Compare to the chart at the end of this section.</li> <li>If the resistance is outside the allowable range, disconnect the cable from the sensor and be sure the resistance of the cable is above 1 million ohms. Connect the ends of the cable wires together and be sure the cable sure the cable resistance is less than 5 ohms. If either condition fails, replace cable.</li> </ul>
	Defective sensor	• Compare the resistance of the sensor itself to the sensor resistance chart. Replace sensor if necessary. Connect sensor and cable to controller.
SUPPLY AIR SENSOR FAULT	Sensor cable disconnected	• Be sure the sensor cable is properly connected to both the sensor and the controller.
The signal from the sup- ply air temperature sen- sor is out of range.	Sensor cable broken or shorted	• Disconnect the cable from the controller and check the resistance of the sensor and cable combination. Compare to the chart at the end of this section. If the resistance is outside the allowable range, disconnect the cable from the sensor and be sure the resistance of the cable is above 1 mil- lion ohms. Connect the ends of the cable wires together and be sure the cable resistance is less than 5 ohms. If either condition fails, replace cable.
	Defective sensor	• Compare the resistance of the sensor itself to the sensor resistance chart. Replace sensor if necessary. Connect sensor and cable to controller.
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WALL SENSOR FAULT The signal from the wall temperature sensor (where so equipped) is out of range.	Sensor cable disconnected Sensor cable broken or shorted	<ul> <li>Be sure the sensor cable is properly connected to both the sensor and the controller.</li> <li>Disconnect the cable from the controller and check the resistance of the sensor and cable combination. Compare to the chart at the end of this section.</li> <li>If the resistance is outside the allowable range, disconnect the cable from the sensor and be sure the resistance of the cable is above 1 million ohms. Connect the ends of the cable wires together and be sure the cable resistance is less than 5 ohms. If either condition fails, replace cable.</li> </ul>
	Defective sensor	Compare the resistance of the sensor itself to the sensor resistance chart. Replace sensor if necessary.     Connect sensor and cable to controller.
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SYMPTOM	POSSIBLE CAUSES	CHECKS & CORRECTIONS
Unit not cooling	A/C solenoid valve is stuck in dehumidification position	<ul> <li>Verify that the three-way valve may be jammed:</li> <li>1. Force the suspect valve to operate and check for changes in operating temperatures and pressures. If no changes occur, then the valve is completely jammed and must be replaced.</li> <li>2. If the unit runs fine in A/C, trips on high pressure in dehumidification mode, and also runs with higher than normal pressures in A/C alone, then the three-way valve is not shifting completely out of air conditioning. (This is assuming that no other cause for a high pressure trip can be found.</li> <li>Replace the defective valve.</li> </ul>
	The return air sensor is out of calibration.	<ul> <li>Verify actual air temperature and compare with what is displayed on the controller.</li> <li>If the difference is less than 10°F re-calibrate sensor. See configuration and calibration page of service manual for</li> </ul>
	Incorrectly adjusted head pres- sure bypass valve ORI-6 (5/8)	return air sensor calibration. If more than 10°F replace sensor. Check whether the hot gas is going to both the outdoor condenser and the reheat coil at the same time.
		<ul> <li>All DS units have a head-pressure valve that allows the hot gas to circulate through the reheat coil during air conditioning should the head pressure exceed 325 PSIG. This could occur on abnormally hot days and prevents the unit from tripping on high pressure. This valve is an ORI-6 (5/8 inch) valve located in the compressor section of the unit. To check the valve adjustment:         <ol> <li>Close the isolation valves for the outdoor condenser.</li> <li>Run the unit in A/C mode.</li> <li>The head pressure should rise to approximately 325 PSI.</li> </ol> </li> </ul>
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SYMPTOM	POSSIBLE CAUSES		CHECKS & CORRECTIONS
Unit not cooling (continued)	Wrongly adjusted head pressure bypass valve (ORI-6 5/8) (continued)		4. To adjust this valve, close it completely and then open it one turn.
		•	Replace defective valve.
	Closed isolation valves for outdoor condenser		Check position of ball valves.
		•	Open valves.
	Defective relay on S5 relay board		Check whether the A/C three-way valve is energized.
		•	Replace defective relay.
	Room load exceeds the cooling capacity of the unit		Check the air temperature differential through the DRY-O-TRON®.
		•	If the differential is 8°F - 10°F (4.5°C - 5.5°C) the unit is cooling properly.
Compressor will not start	No demand	•	Adjust the set points to the values on the unit nameplate.
	Anti-short-cycle timer prevents startup for 3 minutes.		Wait.
	Compressor overload is turned off or has tripped (three-phase units only)	•	Turn the overload on (where so equipped).
status messages.	Compressor thermal protector is open	•	Allow one hour for compressor to cool.
	Open water-pressure switch circuit	•	Check circuit continuity. Check for water flow. Check pressure switch adjustment.
	Loose control or power wiring	•	Check for electrical continuity under load.
	Water exit temperature above 120°F	•	Check the water flow rate.
L		•	Clear the fault code.
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SYMPTOM	POSSIBLE CAUSES	CHECKS & CORRECTIONS
Compressor will not start (continued)	Compressor crankcase full of liquid refrigerant	• Be sure the crankcase heater has been warm for at least 12 hours prior to starting the compressor.
	Low voltage may cause failure to start (Long inadequately-sized branch circuit conductors may	<ul> <li>Use adequate branch circuit conductors. Consult Dectron for the use of a hard-start kit (single phase units only).</li> </ul>
	cause low voltage at inrush.)	Consult Dectron for recommendations.
	Defective start capacitor (single phase units only)	Replace capacitor.
	Defective capacitor relay (single phase units only)	Replace relay.
	Defective contactor	• Check that the contactor is getting power.
		Replace contactor.
	Defective compressor	<ul> <li>Check compressor for shorts, open windings, and locked rotor.</li> </ul>
		Replace compressor.
High humidity in the space	Incorrect duct design can produce stratification of room air.	See the Installation section of this manual for proper duct design.
		Correct duct design as necessary.
	Incorrect duct design can cause improper evaporator air velocity.	See the Installation section of this manual for proper duct design.
		• Correct duct design as necessary.
	Incorrect duct design can reduce airflow below operating range.	See the Installation section of this manual for proper duct design.
		Correct duct design as necessary.
	Incorrect blower speed can cause improper total airflow	Assure proper total airflow by testing.
		• Adjust blower speed as appropriate.
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SYMPTOM	POSSIBLE CAUSES	CHECKS & CORRECTIONS
High humidity in the space (continued)	Dirty air filters can seriously reduce the total airflow.	• Be sure that the unit is always operated with clean air filters.
	Room air temperature being too high can reduce the dehumidifi- cation effect.	Adjust set point to range stated on unit nameplate.
	Insufficient refrigerant can reduce the refrigeration effect. Excessive length of tube connecting to remote condenser (if so equipped) can cause refrigerant undercharge.	• Be sure there are no bubbles in the sight glass under any conditions.
	Excessive amounts of refrigerant can reduce the refrigeration effect.	Be sure the right amount of refrigerant is present.
	Air-side clogging of the air reheat heat exchanger can reduce total airflow and heat transfer.	• Be sure the unit is only operated with clean filters in place. Always filter any outdoor air brought into the unit. If used in a natatorium do not locate the return grille near a spa or hot tub.
	Reduced heat transfer of a remote air-cooled condenser (if so equipped) can cause excessive condenser pressure.	• Be sure the remote condenser is clean and the fans are operating properly in cooling mode.
	Non-condensable gases in the refrigeration system can reduce the refrigeration effect.	• Always evacuate to 250 microns of mercury or better.
	Closed manual shut-off valves can reduce the refrigeration effect.	Be sure all manual valves that should be open are open.
	Clogged filter-driers can reduce the refrigeration effect.	• If bubbles are visible in the sight glass, measure the liquid temperature on either side of the filter drier. A drop of more than 2°F is unacceptable.
		Replace the liquid line filter-drier.
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SYMPTOM	POSSIBLE CAUSES		CHECKS & CORRECTIONS
Room temperature too low	Set point too low	•	Adjust set points to values shown on unit nameplate.
	Excessive outdoor-air intake	•	Adjust outdoor intake rate to no more than 15% of total airflow.
	Failure of auxiliary duct heater (by others)	•	Verify proper heater operation. Correct as necessary.
	There is no space heater or space heater has inadequate capacity.	• NC	The DRY-O-TRON® does not produce significant heat - it recycles heat. A dedi- cated space heater must be ordered with the unit or provided by others. DTE: Building heat losses are calculated by others and consequently are sized by others. Dectron does not select space- heater capacities.
Room temperature too high	Set point too high	•	Adjust set points to values shown on unit nameplate.
	Excessive outdoor-air intake	•	Adjust outdoor intake rate to no more than 15% of total airflow.
	Outdoor condenser dirty or fan(s) not operating	•	Be sure heat exchangers are clean. Assure fan operation.
	Auxiliary duct heater ON with no heating demand	•	Verify proper heater operation. Correct as necessary.
	Air-conditioning diverting valve stuck		<ol> <li>The three-way valve may be jammed:</li> <li>Force the suspect valve to operate and check for changes in operating temperatures and pressures. If no changes occur, then the valve is completely jammed and must be replaced.</li> <li>If the unit runs fine in A/C, trips on high pressure in dehumidification mode, and also runs with higher than normal pressures in A/C alone, then the three-way valve is not shifting completely out of air conditioning. (This is assuming that no other cause for a high pressure trip can be found.</li> </ol>
		•	Replace the defective valve.
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SYMPTOM	POSSIBLE CAUSES		CHECKS & CORRECTIONS
Supply-air temperature too low	Unit is in air-conditioning mode	•	<ul> <li>Check set points. Verify operating of airconditioning diverting valveit may be jammed:</li> <li>1. Force the suspect valve to operate and check for changes in operating temperatures and pressures. If no changes occur, then the valve is completely jammed and must be replaced.</li> <li>2. If the unit runs fine in A/C, trips on high pressure in dehumidification mode, and also runs with higher than normal pressures in A/C alone, then the three-way valve is not shifting completely out of air conditioning. (This is assuming that no other cause for a high pressure trip can be found.</li> </ul>
		•	Replace the defective valve.
	Excessive outdoor-air intake	•	Adjust outdoor intake rate to no more than 15% of the total airflow.
Low compressor oil pressure	Compressor crankcase full of liquid refrigerant Expansion valve incorrectly adjusted	• set	<ul> <li>Be sure the compressor crankcase heater is warm. Allow at least 12 hours for it to heat up before initial startup.</li> <li>The compressor discharge temperature must be in the correct range. See Startup ction.</li> <li>There are only a limited number of ways in which liquid refrigerant can return to the compressor: <ol> <li>The return air is too cold and/or dry and is not vaporizing the refrigerant in the evaporator.</li> <li>The thermal expansion valve is misadjusted or defective and is not metering the refrigerant properly.</li> <li>The pumpdown valve ( on units so equipped) is leaking during the off cycle, allowing the evaporator to accumulate liquid. Oil failures caused by this problem will only occur the first 5 minutes after the compressor starts.</li> <li>Allow at least 12 hours for the crankcase heater to warm up at initial startup. This will remove from the crankcase any liquid refrigerant that has accumulated during shipping and storage.</li> </ol> </li> </ul>

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SYMPTOM         POSSIBLE CAUSES         CHECKS & CORRECTIONS           Low compressor ou (continued)         Low oil level in crankcase (continued)         • Check for and correct any refrigerant leaks. Assure that proper steps have been taken to assure oil return. See installation diagram.           Low condenser pressure (continued)         Room air temperature too low         • Adjust set point to value shown on unit nameplate.           Low condenser pressure         Room humidity too low         • Adjust set point to value shown on unit nameplate.           Pool temperature too low         • Reduce water flow rate slightly until a reasonable temperature is achieved.           ORI valve (water heating intensity) incorrectly set         • Reduce water flow rate slightly until a reasonable temperature is achieved.           Insufficient refrigerant in system         • Reduce water flow rate slightly until a reasonable temperature is achieved.           High suction pressure         Room air temperature above normal can cause an increased load on the evaporator.         • Adjust set point to value shown on unit nameplate.           High suction pressure         Room relative humidity above normal can cause fligh air velocities in the evaporator.         • Adjust set point to value shown on unit nameplate.           • Adjust set point to value shown on unit nameplate.         • Adjust set point to value shown on unit nameplate.           High suction pressure         Room relative humidity above normal can cause increased load on the evaporator.         • Adjust set point to	Problems not indicated by Supervisaire <sup>®</sup> Controller			
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SYMPTOM	POSSIBLE CAUSES		CHECKS & CORRECTIONS
High suction pressure (continued)	A worn or damaged compressor may produce less refrigerant pumping.	•	Compare compressor current to value shown on value shown on unit nameplate.
Evaporator icing	Dirty air filters reduce airflow	•	Replace dirty filters.
	Low room temperature	•	Adjust set points to value shown on unit nameplate.
		•	Close evaporator-bypass damper when air is below 78°F.
	Low airflow	•	Assure blower turns proper direction (three- phase units only).
		•	Assure blower belt tension is right.
	Low refrigerant charge	•	Add refrigerant to eliminate bubbles in the sight glass in all modes.
	Improper duct design	•	See the Installation section of this manual for proper design.
Excessive noise	Lack of unit support isolators allows vibration to be transmitted to floors, etc.	•	See the Installation section of this manual for proper design.
	Lack of duct isolators allows vibration to be transmitted to the ducts.	•	See the Installation section of this manual for proper design.
	Loose blower belts and/or pulleys can produce unexpected noise.	•	Check blower belts and pulleys for proper tension and alignment.
	Improperly closed access panels can produce a whistling noise as air leaks into the cabinet.	•	Be sure that all panels are closed tightly and that all gaskets are in place.
	An incorrectly set expansion valve can cause liquid refrigerant flood back to the compressor with accompanying noise.	•	Adjust the expansion valve to produce at least 160°F compressor discharge gas temperature.
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SYMPTOM	POSSIBLE CAUSES	CHECKS & CORRECTIONS
Excessive noise (continued)	Liquid refrigerant in crankcase can cause excessive noise on startup.	• Be sure that the compressor crankcase heater is functioning. Allow at least 10 hours for the crankcase heater to warm up before initial startup.
	Failure of a blower bearing can produce a rumbling noise.	• Examine blower bearing for play or loose- ness. Replace as necessary.
Unit runs continuously (no damage will result)	Set points are out of range	Adjust set points to values shown on unit nameplate.
<b>NOTE:</b> The blower is intended to run 100% of the time.	Heavy pool use can cause the water evaporation rate to increase dramatically.	• Conditions will return to normal after peak use subsides.
sor has a minimum run time of 20 minutes. <b>NOTE:</b> Failure to pump down will stop the com- pressor and produce an alarm message.		• Be sure the original design activity factor has not been exceeded. This can be changed by the addition of water features (fountains, slides, etc.) or by changing the number of people using the facility, or by changing the activities the people engage in.
Auxiliary air heating sys- tem stays on	Relay failure	• This is indicative of a relay failure on the S5 board. Adjust the set points to be sure there is no heating demand. Check that the control voltage to the heating relay (see unit wiring diagram) is zero. if heat remains on, replace the relay.
Corrosion or clogging of heat exchangers	Missing or dirty filters	Replace as needed.
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Evaporator pressure Compressor-discharge gas is too • Adjust expansion valve(s). See Startup - Adjust Expansion Valve	
8 PSIG for more than 15 minutes after compressor starts	sor
Condenser pressure oscillates more than 5 PSIG       Normal for up to 3 minutes after compressor starts. <ul> <li>If oscillation continues more than 10 minute after compressor starts, contact Dectron or a Dectron-certified technician.</li> <li>Dectron-certified technician.</li> <li>If oscillation continues more than 10 minute after compressor starts, contact Dectron or a Dectron-certified technician.</li> <li>If oscillation continues more than 10 minute after compressor starts, contact Dectron or a Dectron-certified technician.</li> <li>If oscillation continues more than 10 minute after compressor starts, contact Dectron or a Dectron-certified technician.</li> <li>If oscillation continues more than 10 minute after compressor starts, contact Dectron or a Dectron-certified technician.</li> <li>If oscillation continues more than 10 minute after compressor starts, contact Dectron or a Dectron-certified technician.</li> <li>If oscillation continues more than 10 minute after compressor starts, contact Dectron or a Dectron-certified technician.</li> <li>If oscillation continues more than 10 minute after compressor starts, contact Dectron or a Dectron-certified technician.</li> <li>If oscillation continues more than 10 minute after compressor starts, contact Dectron or a Dectron-certified technician.</li> <li>If oscillation continues more than 10 minute after compressor starts, contact Dectron or a Dectron-certified technician.</li> <li>If oscillation continues more than 10 minute after compressor starts, contact Dectron or a Dectron-certified technician.</li> <li>If oscillation contact Dectron contact Dectron or a Dectron-certified technician.</li> <li>If oscillation contact Dectron contact Dectron or a Dectron-certified technician.</li> <li>If oscillation contact Dectron or a Dectron-certified technician.</li> <li>If oscillation c</li></ul>	S
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### **Closing Manual Valves**

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#### Units with Liquid-line Solenoid Valves

Some units may have liquid-line solenoid valves. Should one of these units need service that requires closing the receiver-outlet isolation valve, follow these steps:

- 1. Locate the refrigerant liquid line associated with the circuit to be serviced.
- 2. There will be an access valve either in the filter-drier itself, or in the tube near the filter drier.
- Set up a refrigerant reclaim machine (by others) on the access valve. Prepare to reclaim 1/2 pound of refrigerant.
- 4. Close the receiver-outlet isolation valve associated with the circuit to be serviced.
- Immediately reclaim refrigerant from the liquid line filterdrier. One-half pound (by weight) or a reduction in pressure to less than 10 PSIG should be adequate.

This will allow any remaining liquid refrigerant to expand without damaging components.

6. If refrigerant is removed from the system, retain it for return to the unit after service is complete.



#### Units with the Air-Cooled Air Conditioning Option Only

Should it be necessary to isolate the remote condenser (if any) from the unit, follow these steps:

- 1. Some units may have multiple refrigeration circuits. Determine which circuit must be isolated.
- 2. Determine which refrigerant-tubes on the unit connect that circuit to the remote condenser. These tubes are labelled.
- 3. Locate the remote-condenser access valves for the tubes of the circuit in question.
- 4. Set up a refrigerant-reclaim machine (by others) on the remote-condenser access valves for the circuit. Prepare to remove at least one pound of refrigerant, by weight.
- 5. There will be a manual isolation valve just inside the unit cabinet behind each tube. Close the two valves associated with the circuit.
- 6. Immediately reclaim one pound of refrigerant (by weight). This will provide enough volume for the remaining refrigerant to expand without damaging components.
- 7. Retain the reclaimed refrigerant for return to the unit after the service is complete.



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## Adjust Display Contrast

Over time, or in some adverse lighting situations, it may become necessary to adjust the contrast of the LCD display. To maximize LCD life, use only the minimum amount of contrast necessary.	
To increase the contrast, simultaneously press and hold the $\boxed{R}$ and $\boxed{P^{rg}}$ and $\boxed{\bullet}$ buttons until the contrast is correct.	
To decrease the contrast, simultaneously press and hold the $[a]$ and $[a]$ and $[a]$ buttons until the contrast is correct.	
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#### Warranty

## Terms of Limited Warranty DRY-O-TRON<sup>®</sup> Energy Recycling Dehumidifiers (packaged units) and Factory Supplied Accessories

#### General

Dectron Inc. warrants as set forth and for the time periods shown below that it will furnish to the original owner, through a Dectron Inc. authorized installing contractor or service organization, a new or rebuilt part for a part which has failed because of a defect in workmanship or material. Dectron Inc. reserves the right to apply handling and inspection charges in the case of parts or equipment improperly returned as defective whether under warranty or not.

#### **Registration and Start-Up Report**

Warranty void unless upon start-up of the unit the "Start-Up Report and Warranty Registration" is completed and sent to the factory within one week of initial start-up. This will also register the compressor warranty with the compressor manufacturer.

#### **Initial 30-Day Warranty**

During the first 30 days from initial startup and subject to prior approval from the factory, Dectron Inc. will provide and/or reimburse the approved labor, materials, and shipping costs incurred in the replacement of a defective part.

#### **Remainder of 25-Month Warranty**

Upon expiry of the initial 30-day warranty, and until completion of the twenty-fifth month from date of shipment from Dectron Inc., if any part supplied by Dectron Inc. fails because of a defect in workmanship or material, Dectron Inc. will furnish a new or rebuilt part F.O.B. factory. No reimbursement will be made for expenses incurred in making field adjustments or replacements unless specifically re-approved by Dectron Inc. in writing beforehand.

#### Applicability

This warranty is applicable only to products that are purchased and retained in the United States and Canada. This warranty is not applicable to:

- △ Products that have become defective or damaged as a result of the use of a contaminated water circuit or operation at abnormal water temperatures and/or flow rates.
- ∆ Parts that wear out due to normal usage, such as air filters, belts, fuses and refrigerant.
- $\Delta$  Products that have been moved from the location where they were first installed.
- $\Delta$  Any portion of the system not supplied by Dectron Inc.
- △ Products on which the model and/or serial number plates have been removed or defaced.
- $\Delta$  Products on which payment is in default.
- △ Products which have become defective or damaged as a result of unauthorized opening of refrigerant circuit, improper wiring, electrical supply characteristics, poor maintenance, accidents, transportation, misuse, abuse, fire, flood, alteration and/or misapplication of the product.
- $\Delta$  Products operated without clean, properly installed air filters.
- △ Products not installed, operated, and maintained as per the applicable Dectron Inc. Owner's Manual.

#### **Transportation Costs**

After the initial 30-day warranty period has expired, charges covering transportation of the defective part(s) to Dectron Inc. from the customer site and replacement part(s) from Dectron Inc. to the customer site are not covered by this warranty.

#### Limitations

This warranty is given in lieu of all other warranties. Anything in the warranty notwithstanding, any implied warranties of fitness for particular purpose and merchantability shall be limited to the duration of this express warranty. Manufacturer expressly disclaims and excludes any liability for consequential or incidental damage for breach of any express or implied warranty.

Where a jurisdiction does not allow limitations or exclusions in a warranty, the foregoing limitations and exclusions shall not apply to the extent of legislation, however, in such case the balance of the above warranty shall remain in full force and effect.

This warranty gives specific legal rights. Other rights may vary according to local legislation.

#### Obtaining Warranty Service

Normally, the DECTRON INC. AUTHO-RIZED CONTRACTOR who installed the products will provide warranty service to the owner. Should the installing contractor be unavailable, contact your local Dectron, Inc. representative or the factory.

#### **Force Majeure**

Dectron Inc. will not be liable for delay or failure to provide warranty service due to government restrictions or restraints, war, strikes, material shortages, acts of God or other causes beyond Dectron Inc.'s control.

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#### Optional Third to Fifth Year Compressor Warranty

Under this warranty a new or re-built compressor will be supplied at Dectron Inc.'s expense, F.O.B. factory, provided the failed compressor is returned to the factory with transportation prepaid. This extended compressor warranty is subject to all the terms of the standard DRY-

O-TRON<sup>®</sup> warranty but applied to the compressor only.<sup>1</sup> This extended warranty must be purchased before shipment of the unit.

<sup>1</sup>Does not cover labor costs.

## Optional Third to Fifth Year Coil Warranty

Under this warranty a new or re-built coil will be supplied at Dectron Inc.'s expense, F.O.B. factory, provided the failed coil is returned to the factory with transportation prepaid. This extended coil warranty is subject to all the terms of the standard DRY-O-TRON<sup>®</sup> warranty but applied to the coil only.<sup>2</sup> This extended ed warranty must be purchased before shipment of the unit.

<sup>2</sup>Does not cover labor costs.

#### **Optional Delayed Start-Up Warranty**

Under this warranty upon expiry of the initial 30-day warranty, and until completion of 34 months from date of shipment from Dectron Inc., if any part supplied by Dectron Inc. fails because of a defect in workmanship or material, Dectron Inc. will furnish a new or rebuilt part F.O.B. factory. No reimbursement will be made for expenses incurred in making field adjustments or replacements unless specifically re-approved by Dectron Inc. in writing beforehand. The optional delayed start-up warranty is only valid if all of the following conditions are met:

- ∆ Water or condensation are not allowed to enter the electrical panel.
- $\Delta\,$  Indoor units are stored in a dry and protected area.
- ∆ Electrical power must not be connected.
- ∆ Unit not tampered with or vandalized in any fashion.
- ∆ Start-Up Report and Warranty Registration is completed and sent to the factory within one week of initial start-up.

This optional delayed start-up warranty is subject to all the terms of the standard DRY-O-TRON<sup>®</sup> warranty. This extended warranty must be purchased before shipment of the unit.

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