

Installation / Operation Manual

Nitrate / Sulfate Water Treatment System

(5600 Control Valve)

For Model Numbers :

- TN15-56**
- TN25-56**

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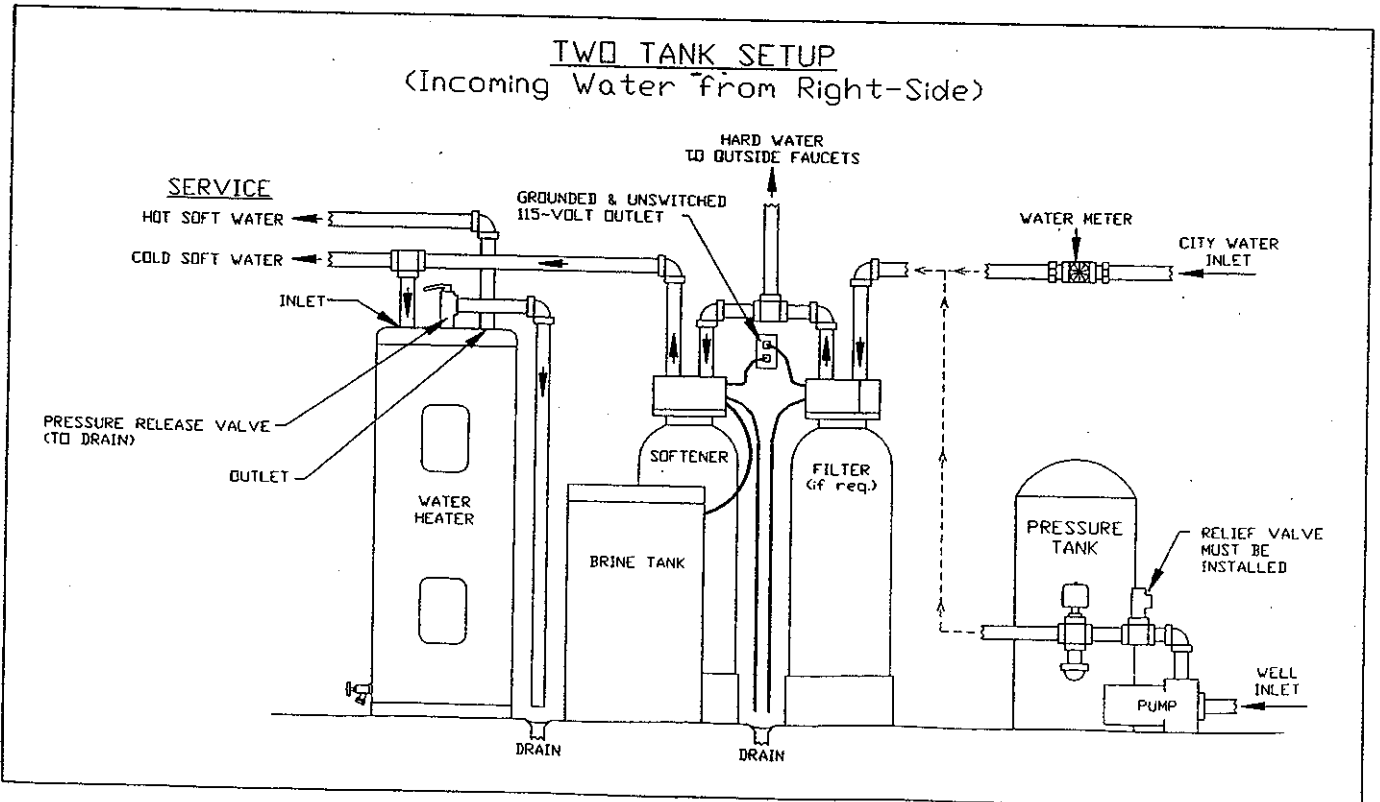
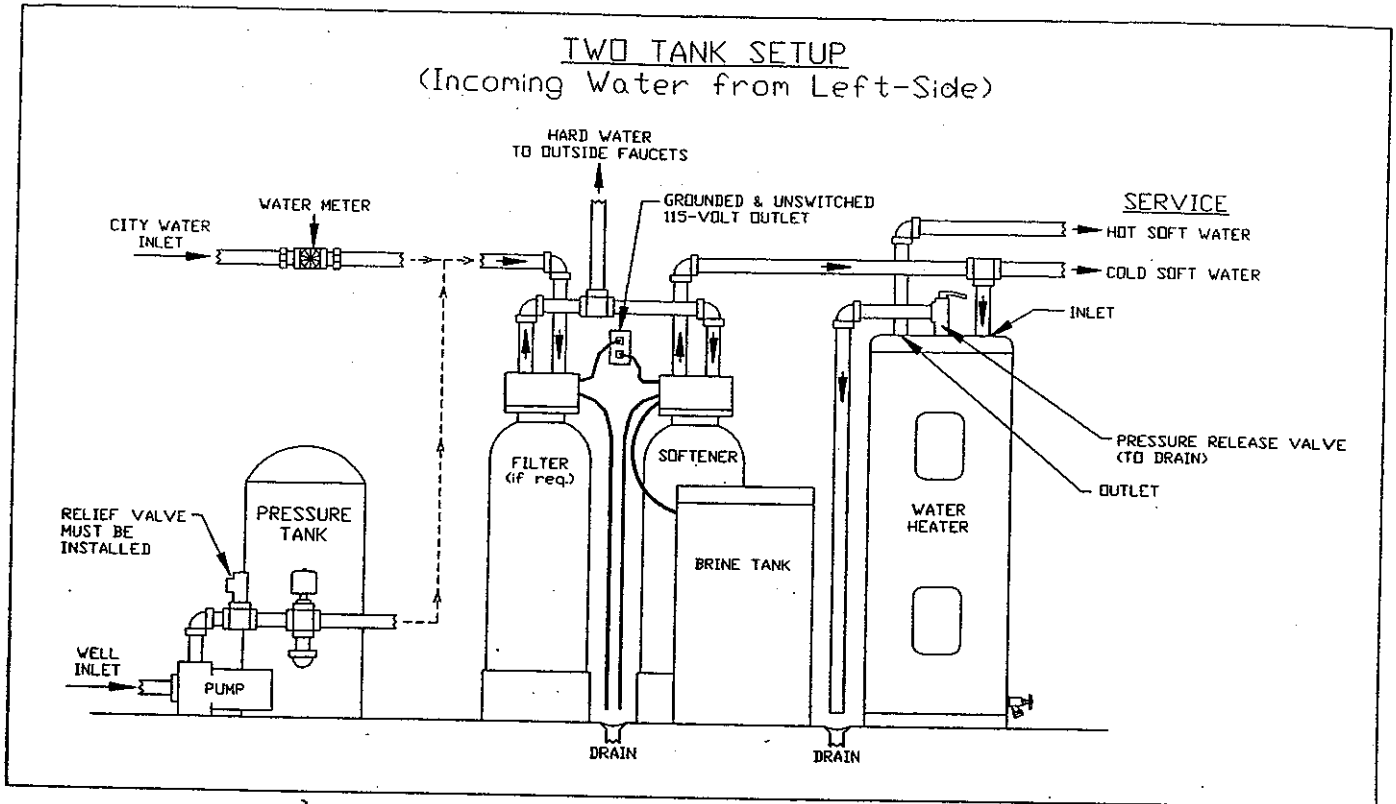
| General Specifications | TN15-56 | TN25-56 |
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| Grains Capacity / Regeneration | 15,000 | 25,000 |
| Maximum Raw Water Nitrate (mg/l) | 100 | 100 |
| Maximum Clear Iron / Manganese (ppm) | 0 | 0 |
| Salt Used / Regeneration (pounds) | 18.0 | 30.0 |
| Exchange Resin (cu. ft.) | 1.5 | 2.5 |
| Mineral Tank (Polyglass) | 10 x 54 | 13 x 54 |
| Brine Tank (Polyethylene with Grid & Safety) | 18 x 33 | 18 x 33 |
| Service Flow Rate (gpm)* | 5.0 | 8.0 |
| Backwash Flow Rate (gpm) | 1.2 | 2.0 |
| Space Required (D x W x H inches) | 18 x 28 x 62 | 18 x 30 x 56 |
| Approximate Shipping Weight (pounds) | 133 | 225 |

*** The pressure drop does not exceed 15.0 psi at Service Flow Rate.**

Installation Requirements

- A level floor position ahead of piping into water heater.
- Unit must be installed at least 10' ahead of the inlet to a water heater to prevent damage due to back-up of hot water.
- DO NOT install the unit in an area of direct sunlight or where freezing temperatures may occur! (See Installation Diagram for proper placement and plumbing connections.)

Typical Installations



Nitrate Filter Location / Other Requirements

- Locate the unit near an unswitched, 120 volt / 60 Hz grounded electrical outlet.
- Check for distance and proper drain installation (e.g. floor drain, washing machine standpipe).
- Determine type and size of piping required for filter connection (e.g. copper, galvanized, PVC plastic).

Note : Where the drain line is elevated above the control valve or exceeds 20 feet in length to reach the drain, use 3/4" I.D. drain line tubing instead of 1/2" I.D. Drain line tubing is not included.

Caution : If sweat soldering copper pipe, (remember to always use lead free solder and flux), cover yoke and bypass valve with wet rags to prevent heat damage to connections and control valve! If using PVC or plastic pipe, primers and solvent cements specifically recommended for use with potable water are required.

Note : All plumbing lines not requiring "soft" water should be connected "upstream" of the filter. (See Typical Installation Diagrams.)

Installation Procedure

- Water Supply Connections and Bypass Valve -

To allow for filter servicing, swimming pool filling and lawn sprinkling, a manual bypass valve has been installed at the factory. The bypass allows hard water to be manually routed around the filter.

1. Position filter at desired location for installation. (See Installation Diagrams.)
2. Turn OFF main water supply and OPEN nearest faucet to relieve pressure.
3. Loosen clips on each side of valve body. Lubricate O-ring on adapters and firmly press bypass assembly onto valve body. Align clips and tighten (packaged separately).
4. Cut main line and install appropriate elbows and extensions. Inlet and outlet connections on the control valve are 3/4" FNPT.

Note : An optional 1" FNPT yoke is available.

Caution : Raised arrows located on the sides of control valve body and bypass valve indicate proper direction of water flow. Install inlet and outlet piping in direction of arrows.

5. Rotate inlet and outlet knobs on bypass valve to the bypass position (position of bypass knobs are at right angles to inlet / outlet piping).
6. Turn the main supply line on to restore water service to the home.
7. OPEN nearest faucet to evacuate air and repressurize plumbing lines.
8. Check for leaks!

- Drain Line Connection -

1. Pull out clip and remove drain line assembly located on the left side of control valve. Remove drain line hose barb and wrap threads with Teflon tape. Reinstall drain line hose barb. **Caution :** Hand tighten only!! Replace drain line assembly and reinstall clip.
2. Install 1/2" I.D. drain line tubing (not included) from hose barb to an open drain. A 4" gap between the end of the drain line and the open drain is required to prevent waste water backflow. Keep the drain line as short as possible. An overhead drain line can be used if necessary but should discharge below the control valve. A syphon trap (taped loop) at the outlet of the drain line is advisable to keep the drain line full and assure correct flow during regeneration. Elbows or other fittings must be kept at a bare minimum.

Note : Where the drain line is elevated above the control valve or exceeds 20' in length, 3/4" I.D. drain line tubing should be used.

- Brine Line and Overflow Connection -

1. Position brine tank on smooth level surface near the filter resin tank. If necessary, the brine tank can be placed at a higher level than the resin tank, but **never at a lower level**. (See Installation Diagrams.)
2. Install on end of 3/8" O.D. by 1/4" I.D. brine line tubing (included with unit) to compression fitting located on right side of control valve.
3. Remove brine tank cover.
4. Remove cap from brine well.
5. Insert opposite end of brine line through outer hole in brine tank.
6. Connect brine line to compression fitting on safety brine valve located inside brine well.
7. Install 1/2" I.D. drain line tubing (not included) to the overflow fitting on brine tank located just below the brine line.
8. Run the opposite end of brine tank drain line to a suitable drain.

Note : The brine tank drain line is gravity flow and must discharge below the overflow fitting.

Caution : Do not TEE to the main drain line from control valve.

Note : The brine overflow is provided as a back-up in the event the safety float shut-off should fail, allowing the brine tank to overflow. This drain connection would then carry the excess water to the drain and prevent flooding of the floor. Therefore, no liability will or can be assumed by the manufacturer of the softener should this occur.

- Electrical Connection -

1. Plug the cord from the control valve into a standard 115 volt / 60 Hz receptacle.

Note : DO NOT plug into an outlet controlled by wall switch or pull chain that could inadvertently be turned off.

2. For your protection, this unit is equipped with a 3-prong plug and should be plugged into a grounded receptacle. If the receptacle is designed only to accept 2-prong plugs, obtain a 3-prong adapter and secure the ground wire to the receptacle plate mounting screw.

Warning : DO NOT remove the grounding plug! An improperly grounded unit could cause injury from electric shock!

- Pressurizing The System -

1. Remove control valve cover. (See Figure 1.)
 2. The control valve **must be in the SERVICE position!** The word **SERVICE** is imprinted in the notch on the manual regeneration knob. (See Figure 1.) If needed, rotate manual regeneration knob **CLOCKWISE** to this position.
- Warning :** NEVER turn regeneration knob counterclockwise as this will cause damage to the control valve!
3. Slowly rotate inlet knob of the bypass valve to the **SERVICE** position. Slowly rotate outlet knob to the **SERVICE** position (position of bypass knobs are parallel to inlet / outlet piping).
 4. Open the nearest faucet to evacuate air from plumbing line.
 5. Check for leaks!

- Control Valve Operation -

Each control valve position can be manually selected by rotating the regeneration knob **CLOCKWISE** until the desired position appears in the knob notch.

1. Manually index regeneration knob to **BACKWASH** position and allow water to run to drain for 3 - 4 minutes.
2. Manually index regeneration knob to **BRINE REFILL** position and allow the brine tank to fill just over the salt grid plate.
3. Manually index regeneration knob to **BRINE & RINSE** position and allow the control valve to draw water from the brine tank until it stops.
4. Manually index regeneration knob to **SERVICE** position.

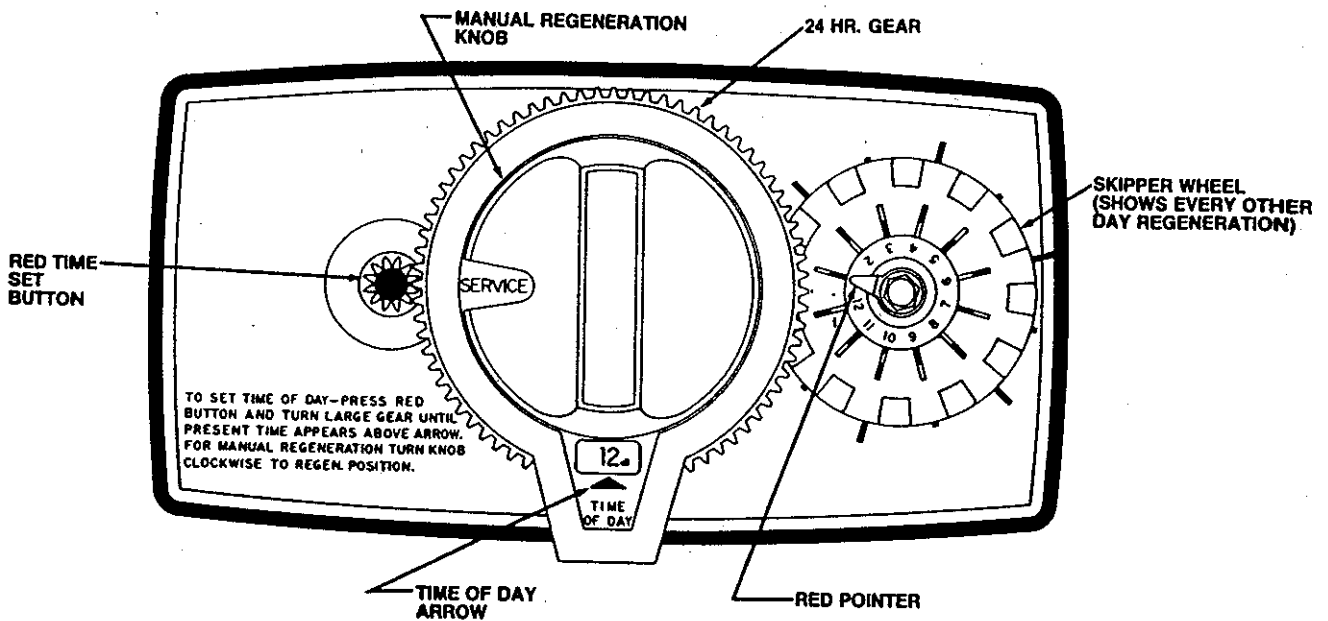


Figure 1

- Setting The Regeneration Schedule -

1. Locate the skipper wheel just to the right of the manual regeneration knob. (See Figure 1.)
2. Rotate skipper wheel until the red pointer covers the number "1".

Note : The red pointer represents "tonight" in the regeneration program. (See Figure 1.)

How To Calculate Regeneration Frequency

Note : The quantity of both nitrate and sulfate must be known for proper regeneration calculations.

$$\frac{\text{NO}_3 \text{ (Nitrate)}}{\text{NO}_3 \text{ (Nitrate)} - \text{SO}_4 \text{ (Sulfate)}} = \text{Ratio}$$

Example :

| | |
|---|---|
| <p>Step 1 Nitrate = 50 mg/l</p> <p>Sulfate = 75 mg/l</p> <p>Salt Setting = 12 lbs. / cu. ft.</p> | $\frac{50}{50 + 75} = \frac{50}{125} = .40 \text{ Ratio}$ |
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Step 2

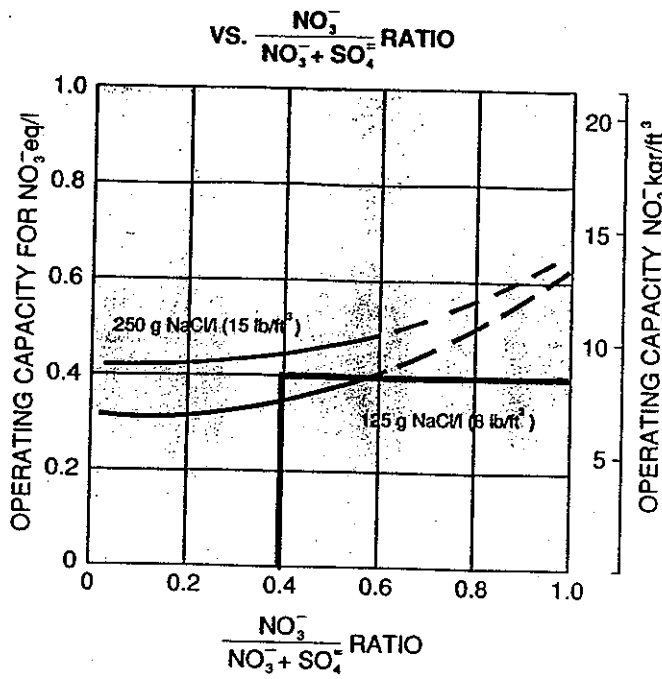


Figure 2

Step 3 Operating Capacity = 9,500 grains / cu. ft. media (Refer to Figure 2.)
 TN25-25 = 2.5 cu. ft. x 9,500 grains
 = 23,750 grains capacity

Step 4 50 mg/l (nitrate) ÷ 17.1 = 2.92 grains

Step 5 23,750 grains capacity ÷ 2.92 grains (NO_3^-) = 8,133 gallons between regeneration

Step 6 75 gallons usage per person / day
 x # of people in family
 75 x 4 = 300 gallons usage per day

Step 7 8,133 ÷ 300 = 27 days

Step 8 Since the program wheel can be set for a minimum of every 12 days, the number 12 tab should be slid outward exposing the tab end. The system will regenerate every 12 days. Refer to Figure 3 for other frequency tab combinations.

Figure 3

| Regeneration Frequency (# of Days Between) | Slide Out TAB NUMBER | | | | | | | | | | | |
|--|----------------------|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|----|----|----|
| | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 | 6 | 7 | 8 | 9 | 10 | 11 | 12 |
| 1 | . | . | . | . | . | . | . | . | . | . | . | . |
| 2 | | . | | . | | . | | . | | . | | . |
| 3 | | | . | | | . | | . | | | | . |
| 4 | | | | | | | | . | | | | . |
| 6 | | | | . | | . | | | | | | . |
| 12 | | | | | | | | | | | | . |

Note : Figure 1 shows the skipper wheel set for this example (Every 2 days.)

- Setting The Time Of Day -

1. Depress the red button on left side of 24 hour gear. (See Figure 1.)
2. Rotate the 24 hour gear on the manual regeneration knob until the time of day is aligned with time of day arrow. (Note a.m. and p.m.)
3. Check that red button has engaged in the 24 hour gear.
4. The starting time for regeneration is factory pre-set to occur at 2:00 a.m. on each day for which a skipper tab is extended.

Start-Up Procedure

- Disinfection -

The material used in the construction of the modern nitrate filter will not support the growth of bacteria. However, the conditions existing during shipment, storage and installation are unknown and thus dictates the disinfecting of a filter after installation, before it is used to treat potable water. With this in mind, your newly installed nitrate filter should be disinfected using the recommended procedure described in this section. Ordinary laundry bleach is an excellent disinfecting agent for this purpose. The proper dosage for your particular softener model is listed below.

Figure 5

| Model Number | Cubic Feet of Resin | Chlorine Dosage |
|--------------|---------------------|-----------------|
| TN15-56 | 1.5 | 1.8 ounces |
| TN25-56 | 2.5 | 3.0 ounces |

1. Measure the proper amount of chlorine bleach as shown above.
2. Pour the chlorine directly into brine well located inside brine tank.
3. Replace brine well cap.

- Filling The Brine Tank With Salt -

To expect a high level of performance and reliability, a salt manufactured specifically for water softeners must be used. Salt of this grade is virtually free from dirt and other particulates that would eventually cause the filter to malfunction. A pellet type salt is recommended, although any high quality water softener salt (such as solar salt) will suffice. If iron is present in raw water, use of iron inhibiting salt is recommended. The salt level will decrease after each regeneration cycle. Consequently, the salt compartment will need to be checked and replenished periodically.

1. Fill the brine tank with water softener salt as described above. This will be approximately 250 lbs. of salt.
- Warning :** Do not fill salt above level of the brine well.
2. Replace brine tank lid.
 3. Start manual regeneration by rotating the manual regeneration knob one (1) or two (2) "clicks".
 4. Replace control valve cover.

- Final Check -

1. Be certain the bypass valve is in the **SERVICE** position.
2. Make sure the electric cord is connected to an uninterrupted 115 volt outlet.
3. Check that the time of day is set.
4. Double check regeneration schedule.
5. Make final check for leaks!
6. Fill out and mail warranty card.
7. Leave this manual with the unit.

Operation, Care and Cleaning

When the inlet / outlet knobs on the bypass valve are in the **SERVICE** position (position of bypass knobs are parallel to the inlet / outlet piping), water is directed through the nitrate filter. Water may be bypassed by turning the inlet / outlet knobs to the bypass position (position of bypass knobs are at right angles to inlet / outlet piping). Water to the home will bypass the filter and be "untreated".

You should manually bypass the filter if :

1. The outside lines do not bypass the nitrate filter and water is to be used for lawn sprinkling or other similar uses.
2. Servicing the nitrate filter.
3. A water leak from the nitrate filter is evident.
4. "Shock treating" water well and piping with chlorine or other disinfectant.

- Extra Regeneration -

If soft water demands are unusually heavy, an extra regeneration can be initiated manually :

1. Remove the control valve face cover to access control panel.
2. Rotate manual regeneration knob **CLOCKWISE** one (1) click.

Caution : Do not rotate the regeneration knob **COUNTER CLOCKWISE** as this will cause damage to the control valve!

3. Regeneration will begin immediately and the softener will automatically return to the **SERVICE** position.

Note : Water will not start flowing for several minutes.

4. Replace control valve face cover.

- To Skip A Regeneration -

1. For vacations or extended periods of absence, the electric cord can be pulled from the receptacle.
2. Upon return, plug in cord and reset time of day.

- General Care And Cleaning -

1. Do not place heavy or sharp objects on water softener or cabinet.
2. Use only mild soap and warm water to clean exterior of the unit. Never use harsh, abrasive cleaners/
3. Protect the water softener and drain line from freezing.
4. Reset the time of day on the control valve after any interruption of the electrical power occurs in order to keep the unit on the proper regeneration schedule. Also, reset time for daylight saving time periods.
5. Inspect and clean the brine tank when sediment appears in the bottom of the salt compartment.
6. Always keep the brine tank supplied with good quality salt, a type designed for use in water softeners.