Commercial Reverse Indirect Water Heater

Installation & Operation Manual Model: STU150-(N/A)





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Hazard definitions

The following defined terms are used throughout this manual to bring attention to the presence of hazards of various risk levels or to important information concerning the life of the product.



DANGER indicates an imminently hazardous situation which, if not avoided, will result in death or serious injury.



WARNING indicates a potentially hazardous situation which, if not avoided, could result in death or serious injury.



CAUTION indicates a potentially hazardous situation which, if not avoided, may result in minor or moderate injury.

CAUTION

CAUTION used without the safety alert symbol indicates a potentially hazardous situation which, if not avoided, may result in property damage.

NOTICE

NOTICE indicates special instructions on installation, operation, or maintenance that are important but not related to personal injury or property damage.

Please read before proceeding

WARNING

Installer - Read all instructions before installing. Perform steps in the order given.

Have this storage tank serviced/inspected by a qualified service technician, at least annually.

Failure to comply with the above could result in severe personal injury, death or substantial property damage.

NOTICE

When calling or writing about the appliance - Please have the model and serial number from the tank rating plate.

Consider piping and installation when determining appliance location.

Any claims for damage or shortage in shipment must be filed immediately against the transportation company by the consignee.

Factory warranty (shipped with appliance) does not apply to appliances improperly installed or improperly operated.

If the information in this manual is not WARNING followed exactly, a fire or explosion may result causing property damage, personal injury or loss of life.

> This appliance MUST NOT be installed in any location where gasoline or flammable vapors are likely to be present.

WHAT TO DO IF YOU SMELL GAS

- Do not try to light any appliance.
- Do not touch any electric switch; do not use any phone in your building.
- Immediately call your gas supplier from a neighbor's phone. Follow the gas supplier's instructions.
- If you cannot reach your gas supplier, call the fire department.

• Installation and service must be performed by a qualified installer, service agency, or the gas supplier.

WARNING

Failure to adhere to the guidelines on this page can result in severe personal injury, death, or substantial property damage.

When servicing the Commercial Reverse Indirect -

• To avoid severe burns, allow the appliance to cool before performing maintenance.

Appliance operation –

• Do not use this appliance if any part has been under water. The possible damage to a flooded appliance can be extensive and present numerous safety hazards. Any appliance that has been under water must be replaced.

The following chart details the relationship of water temperature and time with regard to scald injury and may be used as a guide in determining the safest water temperature for your applications.

APPROXIMATE TIME / TEMPERATURE RELATIONSHIPS IN SCALDS						
120°F	More than 5 minutes					
125°F	1 1/2 to 2 minutes					
130°F	About 30 seconds					
135°F	About 10 seconds					
140°F	Less than 5 seconds					
145°F	Less than 3 seconds					
150°F	About 1 1/2 seconds					
155°F	About 1 second					



Hot Water Can Scald!

- Water heated to temperatures for clothes washing, dish washing, and other sanitizing needs can scald and cause permanent injury.
 - Children, elderly, and infirm or physically handicapped persons are more likely to be permanently injured by hot water. Never leave them unattended in a bathtub or shower. Never allow small children to use a hot water tap or draw their own bath.
 - If anyone using hot water in the building fits the above description, or if state laws or local codes require certain water temperatures at hot water taps, you must take special precautions:
 - Use lowest possible temperature setting.
 - Install some type of tempering device, such as an automatic mixing valve, at hot water tap or water heater. Automatic mixing valve must be selected and installed according to valve manufacturer's recommendations and instructions. Water passing out of drain valves may be extremely hot. To avoid injury:
 - - Make sure all connections are tight.
 - Direct water flow away from any person.

Protection Must Be Taken Against Excessive Temperature and Pressure! --Installation of a Temperature & Pressure (T&P) relief valve is required.

1 General information

The Lochinvar Commercial Reverse Indirect tank (FIG. 1-1, page 5) is designed to use a Hydronic Heating System to generate domestic hot water. This tank consists of a spherical heat exchanger attached to an unlined tank containing a corrugated 316L stainless steel coil. Tank components and specifications are detailed in FIG.'s 1-1 and 1-2 (pages 5 and 6), as well as Tables 1A - 1C.

The tank may be used to heat domestic potable water which runs through the stainless steel coil. In addition to generating domestic hot water, this tank can have many other applications including indirect pool heating and space heating. Consult the factory if your specific application is not covered in this manual. The tank is not intended for use in gravity water heating applications.

Operating Restrictions:

- Maximum domestic hot water temperature is 194°F.
- Maximum boiler water temperature is 210°F.
- Maximum working pressure for the vessel is 125 psig.

Table 1A Commercial Reverse Indirect Tank Component Materials					
Component	Material				
Tank	Steel SA414-G				
Coil	316L Stainless Steel				
Insulation	Polyurethane Foam				
Jacket Pre-paint Sheet Metal					

1 General information (continued)





Table 1B Commercial Reverse Indirect Tank and Coil Specifications									
Model	Tank Diameter (in.)	Jacket Diameter (in.)	Domestic Water Inlet/ Outlet (NPT)	Boiler Supply/ Return (NPT)	Stainless Steel Coil Length (ft.)	Stainless Steel Coil Surface Area (ft ²)	Tank Water Volume (gal.)	Domestic Water Volume (gal.)	Full Weight (lbs)
STU150-(N/A)	24	28	1-1/2"	2"	82	69	125	12.0	1715

1 General information

Figure 1-2 Commercial Reverse Indirect tappings



C	commercial Reverse Indirect Elements
A	Drain Valve
В	Domest Water Inlet
C	Heat Source Return
D	Space Heat Supply
E	Relief Valve / Air Vent
F	Domestic Hot Water Outlet
G	Sensor Location
н	Sensor Location

Table 1C Tapping Measurements								
Model A B C D E F G (in.) (in.) (in.) (in.) (in.) (in.) (in.) (in.)								
STU150	2 1/4	12 1/4	21 1/4	50 3/4	55 1/4	71	76 3/4	

2 Pre-installation

- 1. The installation must conform to the instructions in this manual and all applicable local, state, provincial, and national codes, laws, regulations, and ordinances. Installations in Canada must conform to B149.2 Installation Code.
- 2. Ensure that the domestic water supply to the stainless steelcoil has physical and chemical characteristics that fall within the limits shown in Table 2A. Where questions exist as to the composition of the water on the job site, a qualified water treatment expert should be consulted.
 - CAUTION

Water with characteristics outside the limits shown in Table 2A may severely shorten the life of the domestic water coil due to corrosion. Damage in such cases is not covered under warranty.

3. Read and understand all installation requirements in this manual.

Table 2A Water Chemistry Requirements							
Domestic potable water must have characteristics falling within the following limits:							
Characteristic Min. Max.							
рН	6.5	9.5					
Chloride (PPM)		200					

Locating the Tank

- 1. Choose a location for the Commercial Reverse Indirect centralized to the piping system. You must also locate the Commercial Reverse Indirect where it will not be exposed to freezing temperatures. Additionally, you will need to place the appliance so that the controls, drain, and inlet/outlets are easily accessible. This appliance must not be installed outdoors, as it is certified as an indoor appliance, and must also be kept vertical on a level surface.
- 2. Table 1B on page 5 shows the weight of the tank filled with water. Ensure that the location chosen for the tank is capable of supporting the weight.
 - **CAUTION** This appliance must be placed where leakage from the relief valve, leakage from the related piping, or leakage from the tank or connections, will not result in damage to the surrounding areas, or to the lower floors of the building. A water heater should always be located in an area with a floor drain or installed in a drain pan suitable for water heaters. Lochinvar shall not be held liable for any such water damage.
- 3. The tank may be located some distance from the heat source provided that the pump is designed to to provide enough flow for both units to perform properly. The further the distance from the tank to the heat source, the longer the response time will be to provide sufficient heat to the tank. Insulate piping between the heat source and the tank.



Failure to properly support the tank could result in property damage or personal injury.

Recommended Clearances

The installation location must provide adequate clearances for servicing and proper operation of the appliance. A 12-inch vertical clearance is recommended from the top of the appliance. A zero clearance is allowed for the sides of the appliance. However, boiler and servicing clearances must be figured when locating the appliance.

3 Domestic side piping

Basic domestic piping

The stainless steel coil requires properly sized piping to maintain adequate domestic hot water delivery. Refer to Tables 3A and 3B on page 10 for domestic coil pressure drop. The functions of the components shown are as follows:

- a. Shut-off valves (recommended) Used to isolate the appliance for servicing.
- b. Backflow Preventer (required by some codes) Used to prevent water from backing out of the indirect coil and into the main potable water supply in the event that inlet water pressure drops.
- c. Expansion Tank (required for thermal expansion) Tank absorbs the increased volume caused by heating water.

Use an expansion tank designed for use on domestic water systems. Refer to the expansion tank manufacturer's instructions for proper sizing and use.

NOTICE

If an expansion tank is used, do not put any valves between the expansion tank and tank inlet.

- d. Shock Arrestor (required by some codes) Used to allow water to accelerate or decelerate without a sudden change in pressure.
- e. Circulation Pump (recommended) Used to circulate and maintain hot water within the piping system.
- f. Check Valve (required by some codes) Used to allow water to flow in only one direction, preventing back-flow.
- g. Drain (required) Used to drain the tank for inspection or servicing.
- h. Mixing valve (required) Used to mix hot water with cold water to ensure constant, safe outlet temperatures.
- i. Unions (optional) Used to disconnect the tank in the unlikely event that this is necessary for service.

NOTICE

Be sure to field-install plugs or caps on any tank tappings that are not in use.

Domestic water piping for distant fixtures

In some cases the furthest fixture may be located far from the tank. This may result in an unacceptable delay before hot water reaches these distant fixtures. Even if all the fixtures are located relatively close to the tank, it may be desired that hot water be instantly available to all fixtures.

To prevent delays, return circulation piping with a check valve that allows flow to the domestic hot water outlet. This should be installed on each branch circuit at the farthest fixture or device, so that hot water is supplied upon demand. Traditional recirculation piping is illustrated in FIG. 3-3, page 13.

Because hot water is always circulating in the hot water branch, the entire branch should be insulated to prevent excessive heat loss.

NOTICE

When connecting the unit to piping made of a different material, use of a dielectric fitting or a dielectric union conforming to ASSE 1079 is recommended to prevent corrosion and potential subsequent water leaks at or near the connection. Dielectric fittings may be required by local plumbing codes.

3 Domestic side piping (continued)

Multiple tank domestic water piping

Multiple tank installations must be done in the reversereturn arrangement. This helps maintain the same flow and pressure drop through the coil of each tank. Multiple tank domestic piping is illustrated in FIG. 3-4 on page 14.

When high volume supply of hot water at a constant outlet temperature is required, the Commercial Reverse Indirect can be paired with a large capacity storage tank (FIG. 3-5, page 14). In this configuration the Commercial Reverse Indirect will be able to meet high demands with its instantaneous delivery rate. An Aquastat control is used to control the water temperature between the two tanks with a circulation pump. If a building recirculation system is installed, the return water is brought back to the storage tank so as not to disturb the stratification of the Commercial Reverse Indirect.

Anti-scald mixing valves

Anti-scald valves used with water heaters are also called tempering valves or mixing valves. An anti-scald valve mixes cold water with the outgoing hot water to assure that hot water reaching a building fixture is at the correct temperature.



ASSE1017 and ASSE1070 certified mixing valves are required.

The temperature of water going to the fixtures may be more carefully controlled through the use of a thermostatic mixing valve. This device blends a controlled amount of cold water with the hot water leaving the tank so that water at a more constant temperature exits the mixing valve. Anti-scald mixing valve piping is illustrated in FIG.'s 3-3 thru 3-5, pages 13 - 14. Always consult the mixing valve manufacturer's instructions and guidelines for correct piping and usage.

WARNING Hot water can scald! To avoid scalding potential, mixing valves must be selected and installed according to valve manufacturer's instructions and recommendations. Mixing valves should be installed by a licensed contractor.

An anti-scald mixing valve does not eliminate the risk of scalding.

- * Feel water before bathing or showering.
- * If anti-scald or anti-chill protection is required, use devices specifically designed for such service. Install these devices in accordance with their manufacturer's instructions.

3 Domestic side piping

Table 3A										
Domestic Coil Pressure Drop Values										
PRESSURE DROP (PSI)										
MODEL	2 GPM	2 6 10 14 18 22 26 30 34 36 GPM GPM								
STU150	0.1	0.6	1.6	2.8	4.4	6.2	8.3	10.7	13.3	14.7



3 Domestic side piping (continued)

Temperature & Pressure (T&P) Relief Valve

For protection against excessive temperatures and pressure, install temperature and pressure protective equipment required by local codes. A T&P relief valve must be certified by a nationally recognized testing laboratory that maintains periodic inspection of listed equipment or materials. The equipment and materials must meet the requirements for Relief Valves and Automatic Gas Shutoff Devices for Hot Water Supply Systems, ANSI Z21.22, as well as the standard CAN1-4.4, Temperature, Pressure, Temperature and Pressure Relief Valves and Vacuum Relief Valves. The combination T&P relief valve shall be marked with a maximum set pressure, not to exceed the maximum working pressure of the water heater. It shall also have an hourly rated discharge capacity not less than shown in Table 3C.

The T&P relief valve is installed in the vertical position and mounted in the outlet of the indirect coil as shown in FIG. 3-1. Do not place a valve between the relief valve and the coil. To prevent water damage, the discharge from the relief valve shall be piped to a suitable floor drain for proper drainage when relief occurs. Do not install reducing couplings or other restrictions in the discharge line. The discharge line shall allow complete drainage of the valve and line. Relief valves should be manually operated at least once per year.

Pressure Only (POV) Relief Valve

A connection is provided for a pressure relief valve on the top of the tank. The tank containing the hydronic water shall have a pressure only relief valve in addition to the T&P relief valve installed in the stainless steel coil. The POV should be sized in accordance with the maximum working pressure of the tank and the BTU output of the backup heat source. It is recommended to have a relief valve sized in accordance with ASME Boiler and Pressure Vessel Code, Section IV "Heating Boilers". ASME states in Section VIII, Division 1, paragraph UG-125 (a) "All pressure vessels within the scope of this division, irrespective of size or pressure, shall be provided with pressure relief devices in accordance with the requirements of UG-125 through UG-137."



NOTICE

Verify that the combination temperature and pressure relief valve complies with local codes. If the combination T&P relief valve does not comply with local codes, replace it with one that does. Follow the installation instructions in this section.

Do not place a valve between the combination T&P relief valve and the tank.

Table 3C Minimum Domestic Coil Relief Valve						
Model	ASME Btu/hr	Pressure psi	Lochinvar Part No.			
STU150	2,610,000	125	RLV20015			

3 Domestic side piping

Standard Installation

 Connect a factory-supplied straight tee, reducing bushing and close nipple to the coil opening provided. Install the T&P relief valve vertically (FIG. 3-2). Install a field-supplied POV into the nipple provided.

T&P Relief Valve and POV Discharge Piping

Relief valve discharge piping MUST be:

- made of material serviceable for a temperature of 250°F or greater
- directed so that hot water flows away from all persons
- directed to a suitable place for disposal
- installed so as to allow complete draining of the T&P relief valve and discharge line
- terminated within 6" of the floor

Relief valve discharge piping MUST NOT be:

- excessively long. Using more than two (2) elbows or 15 feet of piping can reduce discharge capacity
- directly connected to a drain (Refer to local codes)
- subject to freezing

Do not install any valve between the relief valve and its connection or on the relief valve discharge piping. Improper placement and piping of relief valve can cause severe personal injury, death or substantial property damage.

A CAUTION

The T&P relief valve or POV is not intended for constant duty, such as relief of pressure due to repeated normal system expansion. Correct this condition by installing a properly sized expansion tank in a domestic water system. Refer to the expansion tank manufacturer's installation instructions for proper sizing.

Failure to install and maintain a new, listed and properly sized relief valve will relieve the manufacturer from any claim which might result from excessive temperature and pressure.



Figure 3-2 Relief valve Assembly

3 Domestic side piping (continued)



NOTICE

Please note that these illustrations are meant to show system piping concept only, the installer is responsible for all equipment and detailing required by local codes.

SHOCK

DOMESTIC HOT WATER

SHUTOFF VALVE

3 **Domestic side piping**





Figure 3-5 Domestic Piping with Storage Tank





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4 Boiler side piping

Figures 4-1 and 4-2 show typical boiler piping for single and multi-tank situations. A pressure relief valve must be installed on each boiler and each tank, as regulations require. The tank pressure relief valve should be sized to meet the working pressure of the tank according to local codes.

Multiple tank connections (boiler side)

Boiler piping works most efficiently when it is done in the reverse-return application. This method uses more piping than direct return systems, but the pressure drop and boiler flow are more balanced throughout each tank. To ensure even charging and discharging of each tank, it is recommended that only tanks of the same size are placed in the same manifold. It is recommended that each tank be equipped with its own isolation valves, unions and drains so that one tank may be removed from the system, if necessary.



NOTICE

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4 Boiler side piping

Figure 4-2 Multiple Tank Heat Source Piping



NOTICE

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5 Startup and maintenance

System startup

1. Make sure the system is free of leaks and that air is purged from the system.

CAUTION

Fix any leaks found before proceeding further. Leakage from the heat source and solar piping can result in severe damage to the system.

- 2. Many soldering fluxes contain Zinc Chloride which can cause severe corrosion damage to stainless steel. After completing all domestic water connections, flush the Commercial Reverse Indirect tank and indirect coil thoroughly before leaving the installation. This is particularly important if the Commercial Reverse Indirect will be unused for an extended period of time after installation. Flush the storage tank by drawing at least three times its volume from the tank.
- 3. Make sure that each zone valve or circulator operates when, and only when, its thermostat calls for heat. Let each zone operate long enough to purge any remaining air from the system.

Refer to the heat source and solar Installation and Operation Manuals for additional start-up information.

Maintenance Schedule

The Lochinvar Commercial Reverse Indirect solar tank is an extremely simple device and as such requires very little maintenance. There are, however, several items which should be inspected on an annual or as needed basis to ensure a reliable supply of hot water:

- * Ensure that the boiler and solar water piping are free of leaks.
- * If there is an oil lubricated circulator in the system, make sure it is lubricated as called for by the circulator manufacturer.
- * Make sure that the heat source is maintained in accordance with the manufacturer's instructions.
- * If a water treatment system is required to keep the water chemistry within the parameters shown in Table 2A (see Section 2 - Pre-Installation), make sure that this system is properly maintained.

Annual service by a qualified service technician should include the following:

- □ Any procedure required by local codes.
- Verify system pressure. Air venting procedure may require adding water to bring boiler system up to pressure, typically 12 psig minimum.
- □ Manually operate T&P relief valve at least once a year. This will release some hot water.
 - **WARNING** Before operating a T&P relief valve, make sure no one is in front of or around the T&P relief valve discharge piping. Hot discharge water can cause severe personal injury or substantial property damage.
- □ Verify that expansion tank pressure is equal to system pressure.

Move operating lever to open position for a few seconds and then move it back, allowing it to snap closed. After the T&P relief valve is operated, if it continues to release water, close the cold water inlet to the water heater immediately. Follow the draining instructions, and replace the T&P relief valve. If the T&P relief valve weeps periodically, it may be due to thermal expansion. Do not plug the T&P relief valve or discharge piping. In this case, ensure that the expansion tank is properly sized and charged to the appropriate pressure.

A DANGER

Plugging the T&P relief valve or discharge piping can cause excessive pressure in the water heater, resulting in severe personal injury, death, or substantial property damage.

5 **Startup and maintenance**

- Follow instructions on circulator to oil, if required.
- Check mixing valve, valves, pipes, and fittings for leaks.
- Check function of the field-installed controls and valves. See component manufacturer's instructions.
- Review owner's maintenance responsibilities and their frequencies, including any not listed in the following section.

Owner monthly maintenance to include:

□ Visually check valves, pipes, and fittings for leaks. Call a qualified service technician to repair leaks.

Winterizing the system

Drain the tank and coil if it will be off and exposed to freezing temperatures. Freezing water will expand and damage the water heater.

- If the tank and heat source water contain sufficient antifreeze, then only the domestic coil water needs to be drained.
- If the tank and heat source water do not contain sufficient antifreeze, they must be drained in addition to domestic water.

If antifreeze is used in the heat source water, check the concentration. Heat source water (including additives) must be practically non-toxic, having a toxicity rating or class of 1, as listed in the "Clinical Toxicology of Commercial Products". A maximum 50/50 mixture of inhibited propylene glycol is recommended. Follow the antifreeze manufacturer's instructions.

WARNING

Do not use automotive, ethylene glycol or petroleum-based antifreeze. Do not use any undiluted antifreeze. This can cause severe personal injury, death, or substantial property damage.

To drain/flush the system

- 1. Turn OFF main electrical power to the tank, solar collectors and any other heat source connected to the tank.
- 2. Turn OFF the main manual gas shutoff for any heat source connected to the tank.
- 3. Turn OFF electrical power to the circulating pump (if used).
- 4. Close off the boiler or heat source inlet connection.
- 5. Ensure that the drain (located on the bottom of the tank) is routed to a floor drain with adequate capacity to allow the tank to be flushed.
- 6. Open the drain valve and allow the incoming cold water "Boiler Return" to flush the soft sediment out of the bottom of the storage tank.



Hot water will be released under pressure. Avoid contact with hot discharge water to prevent the risk of severe scald injury.

- 7. Observe the color of the water initially discharged from the tank drain. This water will generally be milky or slightly discolored by the sediment discharge. Allow the drain to run until the water runs clear.
- 8. Close the drain valve on the tank.
- 9. Open the hot water relief/air valve on the top of the tank.
- 10. Turn ON main electrical power for the heat source, solar collectors, tank and circulating pump.
- 11. Turn ON gas supply to the heat source(s).
- 12. Observe heat source and solar piping to ensure that all components are functioning properly.



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 - Install some type of tempering device, such as an automatic mixing valve, at hot water tap or water heater. Automatic mixing valve must be selected and installed according to valve manufacturer's recommendations and instructions. Water passing out of drain valves may be extremely hot. To avoid injury:

 - Make sure all connections are tight.
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- Protection Must Be Taken Against Excessive Temperature and Pressure! --Installation of a Temperature & Pressure (T&P) relief valve is required.

Notes



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