SLE 130 – 300





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INTRODUCTION

Intended users of these instructions:

- The specifying engineer.
- The installation engineer.
- The owner or user.
- The service engineer.

Warnings.

IMPORTANT: Always isolate electrical supplies and if necessary the water supply before working on the unit.

IMPORTANT: Always fill and pressurise the secondary (domestic) tank first, filling and pressurising the primary (heating) tank may result in crushing damage to the domestic tank.

IMPORTANT: ACV recommends the use of a corrosion inhibitor in the primary (heating) system. The warranty will be invalidated if upon inspection it is found that a tank has failed due to corrosion caused by the lack of an inhibitor.

IMPORTANT: Under no circumstances can the immersion heater be switched on before the primary tank is filled.

Serious damage may result to the heater in addition to danger of personal injury and damage to property if the heater is switched on when dry.

These instructions form an integral part of the equipment to which they refer and the user must be provided with a copy.

The product must be installed and serviced by qualified engineers, in compliance with current standards.

ACV cannot accept liability for any damage resulting from incorrect installation or from the use of components or fittings not specified by ACV.

Any failure to follow the instructions regarding tests and test procedures may result in personal injury.

ACV reserves the right to change the technical specifications and components of its products without prior notice.

1. OPERATION



Principle:

ACV Tanks (tank in tank) comprise of two concentric water cylinders. Tank (A) is manufactured in solid stainless steel and contains the domestic water for use at the sanitary hot water outlets. The exterior tank (B) is manufactured from STW 22 carbon steel, this tank holds the primary heating fluid which is circulated from the boiler, as the primary fluid passes between the two tanks the heat is transferred to the domestic water.

Operation:

When the thermostat (I) calls for heat the primary pump is activated (or motorised valve is opened) and primary fluid is circulated in the outer tank and transfers its heat to the domestic water. Once the thermostat set temperature is achieved it will open and deactivate the primary pump (or close the motorised valve). Initial heating from cold will take between 10 and 20 minutes (depending on tank size and boiler output) – when operating temperature is achieved the recovery becomes faster.

Operational Cycle:



2. CONSTRUCTION



Internal tank:

This tank is the heart of the assembly, as it has to withstand the corrosive nature of mains water and the temperature variations of stored water whilst working at high pressures. It is manufactured from solid stainless steel and welded in an inert Argon atmosphere (Argon Arc). Before being assembled the tank material is subjected to a rigorous cleaning and passivation process to increase its resistance to corrosion. The inner tank is also corrugated which allows it to freely expand and contract with the temperature and pressure variations shrugging off any lime scale deposits. Due to this, the tank does not require an inspection cover to facilitate the removal of lime.

Insulation:

High density injected polyurethane foam - 50mm thick. Containing no CFC's.

Jacket:

The tank is covered in a co-polymer polypropylene jacket, this is a plastic material that offers a high resistance to impact and is also aesthetically pleasing.

Controls:

The tanks come complete with a control and high limit thermostat built into the top cover of the jacket.

Thermostat control:

The control is graduated from 1 to 5, 1 is minimum = 65° C and 5 is maximum = 90° C.

In the case of a prolonged absence precautions must be taken to ensure there is no risk of freezing. The tank is delivered with the thermostat pre-set to a minimum of 65°C to eliminate the risk of legionella bacteria forming and complies with the recommendations of the World Health Organisation. The thermostat control dial can be removed to allow lower temperature settings, see sketch and description below.

Modifying the IMIT thermostat:

- 1. Remove the control dial.
- 2. Take out the metal spring stop.
- 3. Replace the control dial.



3. INSTALLATION (130 to 300 Smart Paks)

Domestic:



Wiring the thermostat:

To comply with 'The Building Regulation 1991 G3.6' the manual reset high limit thermostat must be wired to a self-closing motorised value or some other suitable device to shut off the primary flow to the cylinder.

The thermostatic controller should be used to regulate the temperature of the tank by controlling the heating pump or zone valve supplying the unit (note that a spring return valve must be connected to the high limit stat for normal operation, i.e. the valve will be energised to open by the thermostat and then spring closed when the circuit is broken). The switch wire from the pump or valve can be wired to the tank controls via the 6 pin plug. See diagram below.

Thermostat wiring schematic.





Primary system connections:

The primary flow and return connections to the tank should be made using the appropriate sized fittings with a male BSP component that will allow the disconnection and removal of the unit. A self-closing motorised valve or some other suitable device must be fitted to shut off the primary flow to the cylinder. Care must be taken to ensure that the connections are watertight to avoid any leakage that may go undetected and cause external corrosion damage to the tank.

Distribution Pressure

The mains water supply must be fed to the unit via the supplied mains kit, this will maintain a maximum distribution pressure of 3.5 Bar.

Purging

After filling and before using it will be necessary to purge air from both the primary (heating) and secondary (domestic) tanks. The domestic can be purged by opening a hot outlet at the highest point (or by venting the temperature and pressure relief valve), the primary (heating) tank can be vented using the air vent located on the top of the tank (ensure vent is tightened after use).

Maintenance and Dismantling

The safety valves must be manually operated at least once a year to check their operation and reseating. The tank must be fitted by means of screwed couplings or flanges to allow dismantling and removal of the unit. These should be fitted in such a way as to allow easy access.

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Immersion Heater

The SmartLineE range of tanks have the facility for fitting a 3 or 6kW immersion heater for backup emergency use when the primary heating fails not as a permanent form of summer time heating, this heater must be wired to its own 13 Amp fused spur and as described in the installation instructions for Thermtec immersion heaters.

Installation Instructions for Thermtec Immersion Heaters Series AF, BF, CF, AD, BD, CD.

- 1. Ensure mains voltage corresponds to the voltage rating of the heater as shown on the rating label on the terminal cover.
- 2. Install the heater into the water tank, using the gasket or 'O' ring supplied (the use of sealing compounds is not recommended). Use a shaped spanner to tighten (stillsons should not be used).
- 3. It is essential that water fully covers the heating element to a depth of at least 100mm. Under no circumstances must the heater be permitted to run dry – serious damage may result to the heater in addition to danger of personal injury and damage to property.
- 4. Check for possible leakage before wiring.
- 5. Wire the heater in accordance with the diagram below. The heater should be wired through a double pole isolating switch or controller, having contact separation of at least 3mm using 1.5sqmm flexible cable, 85°C rubber insulated HOFR sheathed, complying with BS6141 Table 8. It must be fully earthed. Ensure all terminals are securely made, however do not use excessive force when tightening.
- 6. BEAB approval will only apply to this heater if rod type control thermostats Sunvic VKL or Diamond H WT and resettable thermostats Sunvic VKL or Thermtec SK are used.
- 7. In the event of the manually resettable cut out operating, isolate the heater from the mains, investigate and identify the cause of cut out, rectify before resetting and then reenergise the heater. Replace the terminal cover securely before reenergizing.
- 8. All heaters conform to EEC directive 76/889 for radio interference and comply with BS 800:1977.



WARNING!

UNDER NO CIRCUMSTANCES CAN THE IMMERSION HEATER BE SWITCHED ON BEFORE THE PRIMARY TANK IS FILLED. SERIOUS DAMAGE MAY RESULT TO THE HEATER IN ADDITION TO DANGER OF PERSONAL INJURY AND DAMAGE TO PROPERTY IF HEATER IS SWITCHED ON WHEN DRY.

4. COMMISSIONING

Characteristics:

Maximum water supply pressure to the reducing valve	16 Bar
Operating pressure	3.5 Bar
Expansion vessel charge pressure	3.5 Bar
Expansion valve setting	6 Bar
Maximum primary working pressure	3 Bar
Temperature & pressure relief valve pressure setting	7 Bar
Temperature & pressure relief valve temperature setting	92-95 °C

1. Flush the tank with fresh mains water then fill, vent and pressurise domestic water circuit as previously described.

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- 2. Fill the primary circuit taking care not to exceed 2 Bar.
- 3. Purge the air from the primary tank.
- 4. Switch on and operate.

IMPORTANT NOTE:

ACV recommends the use of a corrosion inhibitor in the primary (heating) system. The warranty will be invalidated if upon inspection it is found that a tank has failed due to corrosion caused by the lack of an inhibitor.

5. TECHNICAL DATA



Туре	SLE 130	SLE 160	SLE 210	SLE 240	SLE 300		
Code	06604801	06604901	06605001	06605101	06605201		
Unvented Kit		Smart Pak1 (12ltr)					
Total Capacity (Itrs)	130	161	203	242	293		
Heating Fluid Capacity (Itrs)	55	62	77	78	93		
Domestic Water Capacity (Itrs)	75	99	126	164	200		
Primary press. drop (mbar)	17	22	37	45	51		
Immersion heater connection	11⁄2″ BSP	11⁄2″ BSP	11⁄2″ BSP	11⁄2″ BSP	1½″ BSP		
Primary fluid connections	1" BSP	1" BSP	1" BSP	1" BSP	1" BSP		
Domestic water connections	1" BSP	1" BSP	1" BSP	1" BSP	1" BSP		
Dimension: A (mm)	525	725	997	1244	1550		
B (mm)	960	1160	1435	1680	1988		
C (mm)*	1460	1660	1935	2180	2488		
Weight empty (kg)	55	65	75	87	102		
Weight full (kg)	185	226	278	329	395		
Heating surface (m ²)	1.03	1.26	1.54	1.94	2.29		
Primary fluid flow (Itrs/hr)	2100	2600	3500	4200	5300		
Absorbed Power (kW)**	23	31	39	53	66		
Start-up time from 10 to 85°C(min)	22	22	20	20	20		

- * Dimension C is the approximate total height with mains kit fitted including expansion, please be aware that this kit is adaptable should there be a restriction on the height. Please contact ACV UK Ltd technical support for any assistance.
- ** The boiler outputs shown are the minimum to provide the domestic performance figures detailed. Should a lower capacity boiler be used the performance will be reduced.

6. PERFORMANCE

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Туре		Peak output (I/10min)			hour out trs/60mii		Continuous output (Itrs/hr)		Boiler Output (kW)*	Primary flow rate (Itrs/hr)	Heat up time 10°C–85°C (min)			
	40°C	45°C	60°C	40°C	45°C	60°C	40°C	45°C	60°C					
SLE 130	236	202	117	784	672	384	658	564	320	23	2100	22		
SLE 160	321	275	161	1063	911	549	890	763	465	31	2600	22		
SLE 210	406	348	209	1349	1156	689	1132	970	576	39	3500	20		
SLE 240	547	469	272	1820	1560	913	1527	1309	769	53	4200	20		
SLE 300	700	600	337	2319	1988	1165	1943	1665	994	66	5300	20		

Operating conditions: primary fluid 85°C cold inlet 10°C

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7. SYSTEM SCHEMATICS

Typical un-vented application.



Typical open vented application.



8. DISCHARGE PIPE

The discharge pipe (D2) from the tundish should terminate in a safe place where there is no risk to persons in the vicinity of the discharge, be of metal and:

- a. be at least one size larger than the nominal outlet size of the safety device unless its total equivalent hydraulic resistance exceeds that of a straight pipe 9m long i.e. discharge pipes between 9 and 18m equivalent resistance length should be at least two sizes larger than the nominal outlet size of the safety device, between 18 and 27m at least 3 sizes larger, and so on. Bends must be taken into account in calculating the flow of resistance. Refer to Diagram 1, Table 1 and the worked example overleaf.
- b. have a vertical section of pipe at least 300mm long, below the tundish before any elbows or bends in the pipework.
- c. be installed with a continuous fall.
- d. have discharges visible at both the tundish and the final point of discharge but where this is not possible or is practically difficult there should be clear visibility at one or other of these locations. Examples of acceptable discharge arrangements are:
 - i. ideally below a fixed grating and above the water seal in a trapped gully.
 - ii. downward discharges at low level; i.e. up to 100mm above external surfaces such as car parks, hard standings, grassed areas etc. are acceptable providing that where children may play or otherwise come into contact with discharges a wire cage or similar guard is positioned to prevent contact, whilst maintaining visibility.
 - iii. discharges at high level; e.g. into a metal hopper and metal down pipe with the end of the discharge pipe clearly visible (tundish visible or not) or onto a roof capable of withstanding high temperature discharges of water and 3m away from plastic guttering system that would collect such discharges (tundish visible).
 - iv. where a single pipe serves a number of discharges, such as in blocks of flats, the number served should be limited to not more than 6 systems so that any installation discharging can be traced reasonably easily. The single common discharge pipe should be at least one pipe size larger than the largest individual discharge pipe (D2) to be connected. If un-vented hot water storage systems are installed where discharges from safety devices may not be apparent i.e. in dwellings occupied by blind, infirm or disabled people, consideration should be given to the installation of an electronically operated device to warn when discharge takes place.

Note: The discharge will consist of scalding water and steam. Asphalt, roofing felt and nonmetallic rainwater goods may be damaged by such discharges.





Table 1 Sizing of copper discharge pipe 'D2' for common temperature relief valve outlet sizes

Valve outlet size	Minimum size of discharge pipe D1*	Minimum size of discharge pipe D2* from tundish	Maximum resistance allowed, expressed as a length of straight pipe (i.e. no elbows or bends)	Resistance created by each elbow or bend
G1/2	15mm	22mm 28mm 35mm	up to 9m up to 18m up to 27m	0.8m 1.0m 1.4m
G 3/4	22mm	28mm 35mm 42mm	up to 9m up to 18m up to 27m	1.0m 1.4m 1.7m
G 1 *see 3.5. 3.9. 3.9(a) a	28mm	35mm 42mm 54mm	up to 9m up to 18m up to 27m	1.4m 1.7m 2.3m

Worked example:-

The example below is for a G'/2 temperature relief valve with a discharge pipe (D2) having 4 No. elbows and length of 7m from the tundish to the point of discharge.

From Table 1:

Maximum resistance allowed for a straight length of 22mm copper discharge pipe (D2) from a G¹/₂ temperature relief valve is: 9.0m

Subtract the resistance for 4 No. 22mm elbows at 0.8m each = 3.2m

Therefore the maximum permitted length equates to: 5.8m 5.8m is less than the actual length of 7m therefore calculate the next largest size.

Maximum resistance allowed for a straight length of 28mm pipe (D2) from a G1/2 temperature relief valve equates to: 18m

Subtract the resistance for 4 No. 28mm elbows at 1.0m each = 4m

Therefore the maximum permitted length equates to: 14m

As the actual length is 7m, a 28mm (D2) copper pipe will be satisfactory.

9. PARTS LIST

Description	Code
300mm Immersion Heater 11/2" BSP 3KW	OI300
Thermostat pocket	438027
Manual air vent	445006
Control thermostat	442045
Manual reset high limit thermostat 90°C	
Sparge pipe dia 25mm, length 870mm Smart 130	410116
Sparge pipe dia 25mm, length 1070mm Smart 160	410020
Sparge pipe dia 25mm, length 1340mm Smart 210	410043
Sparge pipe dia 25mm, length 1590mm Smart 240	410169
Sparge pipe dia 25mm, length 0000mm Smart 300	000000

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