

Installation

All plumbing must conform to local codes.

Inspect unit carefully for carrier shortage or shipping damage.

Location Selection

1. The distance between the unit and a drain should be as short as possible.
2. If it is likely that supplementary water treating equipment will be required, make certain adequate additional space is available.
3. Since salt must be added periodically to the brine tank, the location should be easily accessible.
4. Do not install any unit closer to a water heater than a total run of 10 feet (3 m) of piping between the outlet of the conditioner and the inlet to the heater. Water heaters can sometimes overheat to the extent they will transmit heat back down the cold pipe into the unit control valve.

Hot water can severely damage the conditioner. A 10-foot (3-m) total pipe run, including bends, elbows, etc., is a reasonable distance to help prevent this possibility. A positive way to prevent hot water from flowing from heat source to the conditioner, in the event of a negative pressure situation, is to install a check valve in the soft water piping from the conditioner. **If a check valve is installed, make certain the water heating unit is equipped with a properly rated temperature and pressure safety relief valve. Also, be certain that local codes are not violated.**

5. Do not locate unit where it or its connections (including the drain and overflow lines) will ever be subjected to room temperatures under 34°F (1°C) or over 120°F (49°C).
6. Do not install unit near acid or acid fumes.
7. The use of resin cleaners in an unvented enclosure is not recommended.

Water Line Connection

The installation of a bypass valve system is recommended to provide for occasions when the water conditioner must be bypassed for hard water or for servicing.

The most common bypass systems are the Autotrol® Series 256 bypass valve (Figure 1) and plumbed-in globe valves (Figure 2). Though both are similar in function, the 256 Autotrol bypass offers simplicity and ease of operation.

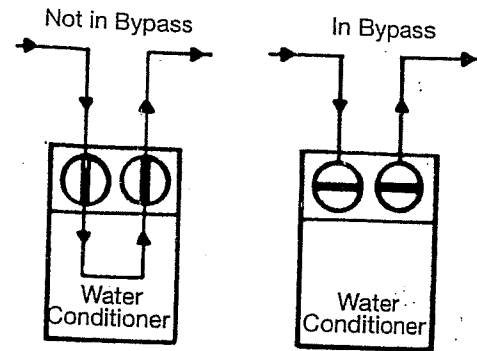


Figure 1 Autotrol Series 256 Bypass Valve

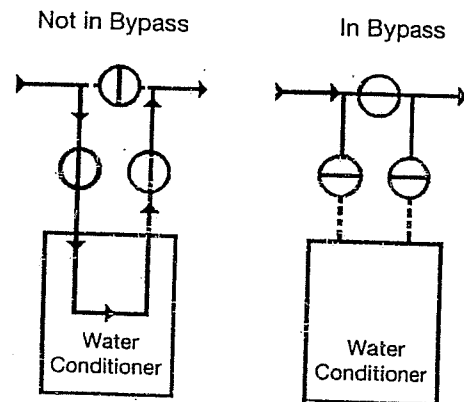


Figure 2 Typical Globe Valve Bypass System

Drain Line Connection

1. Ideally located, the unit will be above and not more than 20 feet (6.1 m) from the drain. For such installations, using an appropriate adapter fitting (not supplied), connect 1/2-inch (1.3-cm) plastic tubing to the drain line connection of the control valve.
2. If the unit is located more than 20 feet (6.1 m) from drain, use 3/4-inch (1.9-cm) tubing for runs up to 40 feet (12.2 m). Also, purchase appropriate fitting to connect the 3/4-inch tubing to the 1/2-inch NPT drain connection.
3. If the unit is located where the drain line must be elevated, you may elevate the line up to 6 feet (1.8 m) providing the run does not exceed 15 feet (4.6 m) and water pressure at conditioner is not less than 40 psi (2.76 bar). You may elevate an additional 2 feet (61 cm) for each additional 10 psi (0.69 bar).
4. Where the drain line is elevated but empties into a drain below the level of the control valve, form a 7-inch (18-cm) loop at the far end of the line so that the bottom of the loop is level with the drain line connection. This will provide an adequate siphon trap.

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5. Where the drain empties into an overhead sewer line, a sink-type trap must be used.

IMPORTANT: Never insert drain line into a drain, sewer line or trap. Always allow an air gap between the drain line and the wastewater to prevent the possibility of sewage being back-siphoned into conditioner.

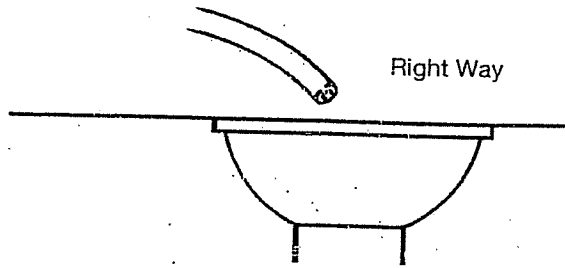
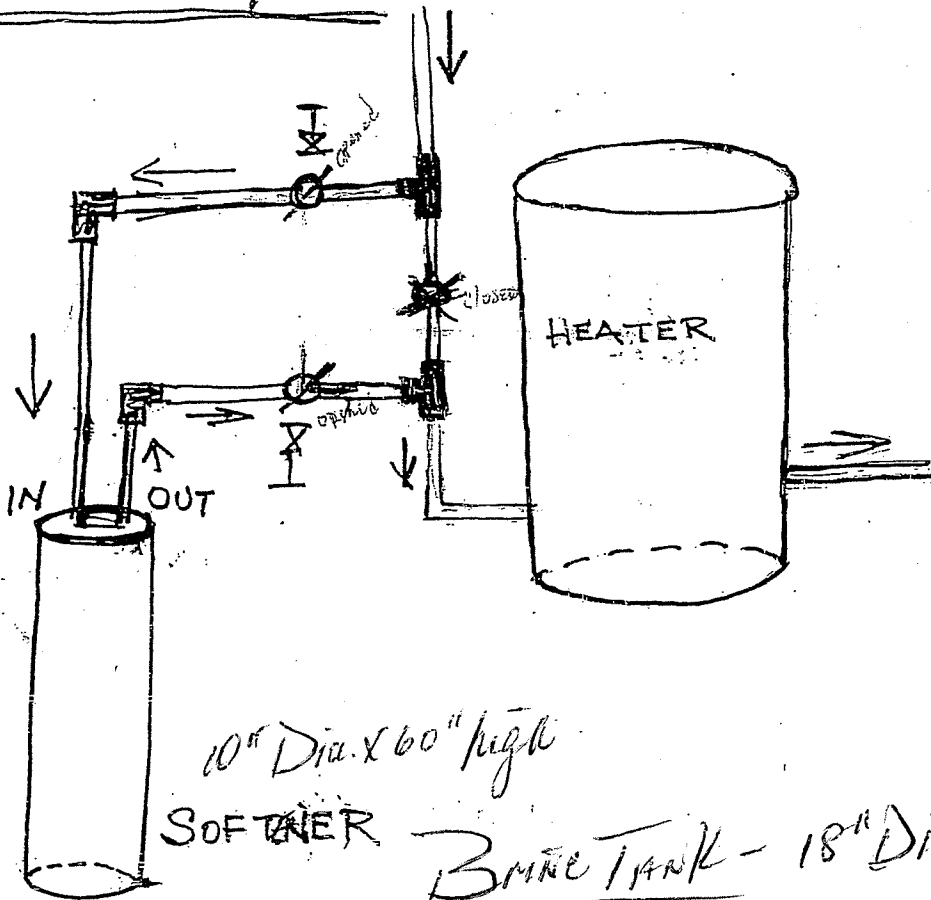


Figure 3

Note: Standard commercial practices have been expressed here. Local codes may require changes to these suggestions.

INLINE BYPASS



10" Dia. x 60" high
SOFTNER

Bypass Tank - 18" Dia. x 33" high

H PATTERN BYPASS

