

# STEAM GENERATOR

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## FOREWORD

Please take the time to read these instructions before you begin as they contain important information about the installation operation maintenance requirements.

OC-B Series steam generators are available in specifications from 6kw, 9kw, 13.5kw & 18kw and are equipped with our OC-B intelligent controller. With this not only you can control the temperature and time duration of the steam bath but also the light and fan of the steam room if installed, the automatic drain valve, automatic descaling, alter the working mode, as well as displaying the steam generator's status by means of the 8 LEDs on the panel. Please note also that one "OC-B" controller can control multiple OC-B Series steam generators.

Every OC-B Series steam generator is thoroughly tested before leaving the factory so there may be the remains of water inside the boiler.

### IMPORTANT:

- ★ read the manual before installation and operation.
- ★ This appliance must be connected to an all pole isolator.
- ★ This equipment must be installed by competent person.
- ★ Disconnect the power supply before exposing electrical connections.
- ★ Confirm the right voltage to your steam generator 1 or 3 phase.

### SAFETY PRECAUTIONS FOR STEAM BATHING:

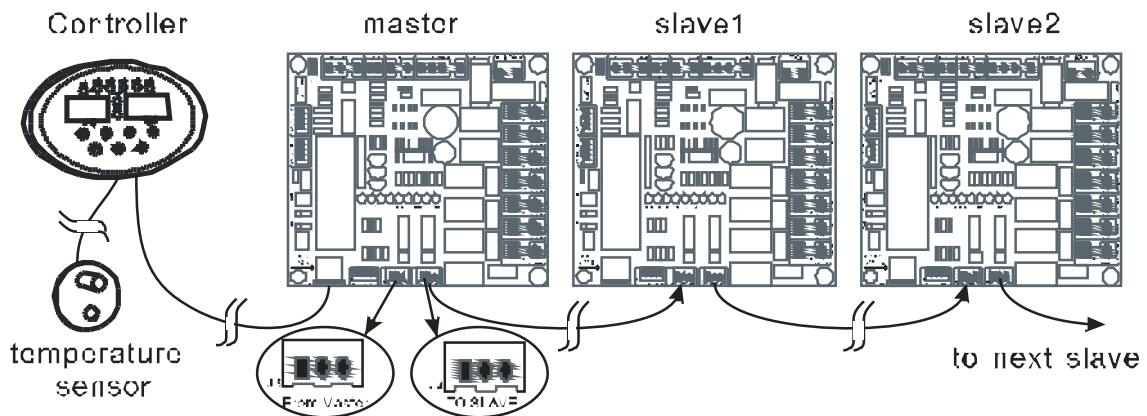
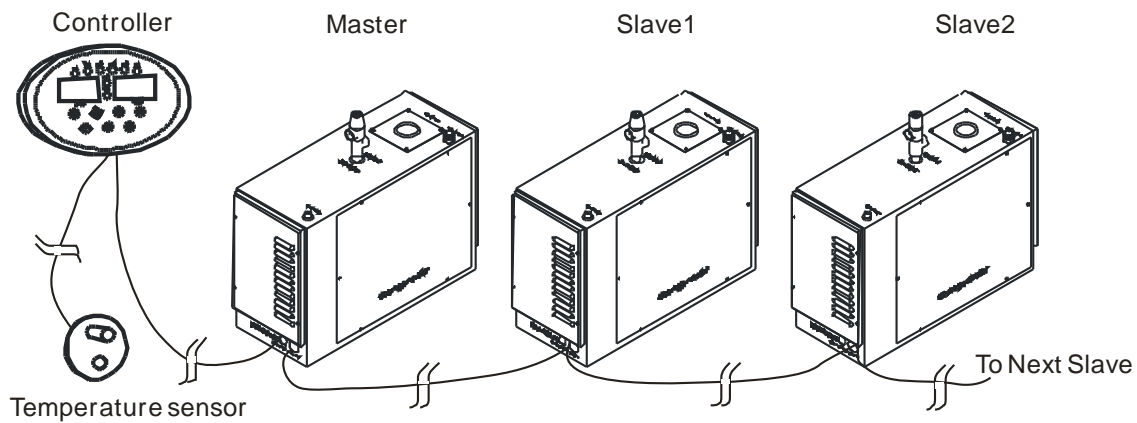
- ★ Elderly persons, pregnant women, or these suffering heart disease, high blood pressure, diabetes or not in good health are advised to seek medical advice before using a steam room.
- ★ Do not smoke in the steam room.
- ★ Avoid using the steam room immediately after strenuous exercise.
- ★ Do not use the steam room when under the influence of alcohol.
- ★ Leave the steam room at once if you feel sleepy, sick or uncomfortable.
- ★ Ensure good ventilation through the steam room – 10cubic meters per bather per hour recommended.
- ★ We do not recommend this product is used by children under the age of 16 years.
- ★ Commercial operators should post a notice of these precautions in a prominent position.

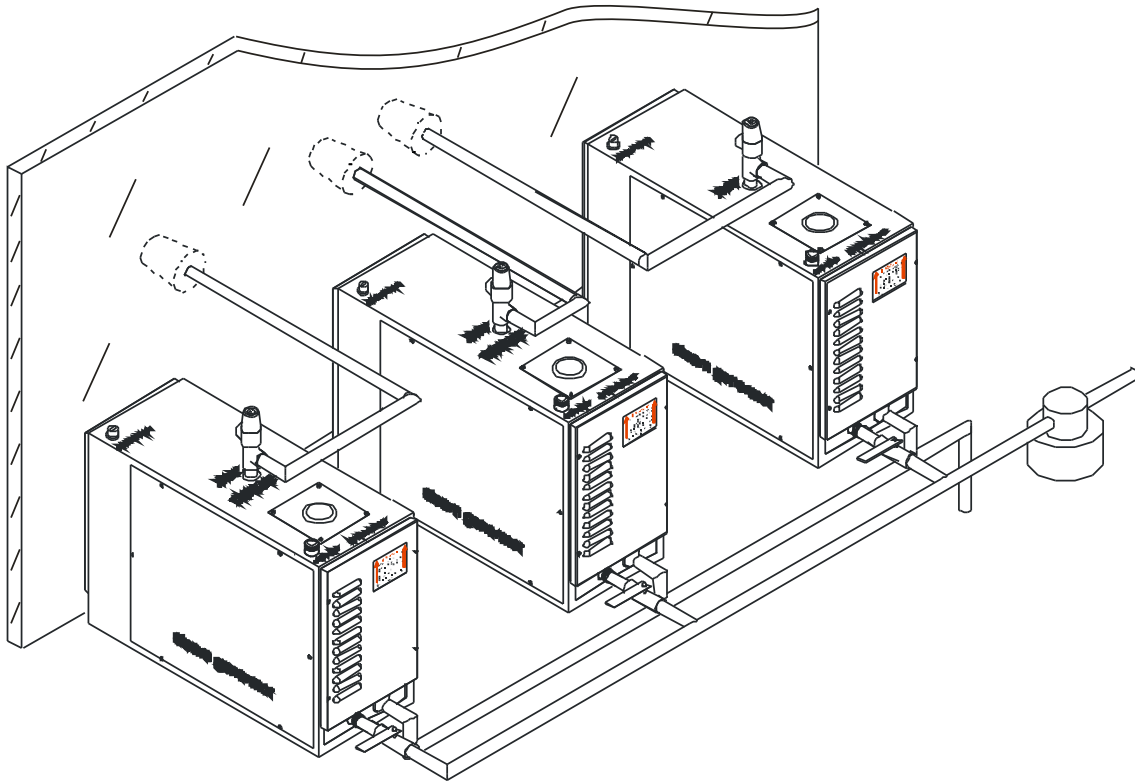
## Chapter one: Specification

Available Models:

Model	Power(KW)	Voltage (V)	Phase(N~)	Current(A)	Dimensions(mm) (L×W×H)
OC-90B	6.0	230/400	1/3	26.4/13	530×210×370
OC-90B	9.0	230/400	1/3	39/13	530×210×370
OC-135B	13.5	230/400	1/3	56.0/19.5	530×230×460
OC-180B	18.0	230/400	1/3	78.0/26.1	530×230×460

Remarks if greater more power is required, one **OC-B** controller may be used to control two or more steam generators, e.g. if you need a 30KW steam generator you can use one OC-B controller to control two 15kw steam generator or three 10 kw steam generators .





1. Parameters and dimensions of OC-B and OC-S controller: (chart 2)

model	working time (minutes)	Temperature	Dimension(mm) (LxWxH)	remarks
OC-B	10-240	30-60°C 86-140°F	150x92x22	When the time widow displays "Long" the generator will operate continuously until it is switched off.
OC-S	30		<b>60x60</b>	Steam on demand switch, press once it will work 30 minutes , press again ,it stop works , special for commercial user

## Chapter two: the frame and functions of the OC-B series steam generator

Parts description of the steam generator:

1. The frame of steam generator (Figure 4)

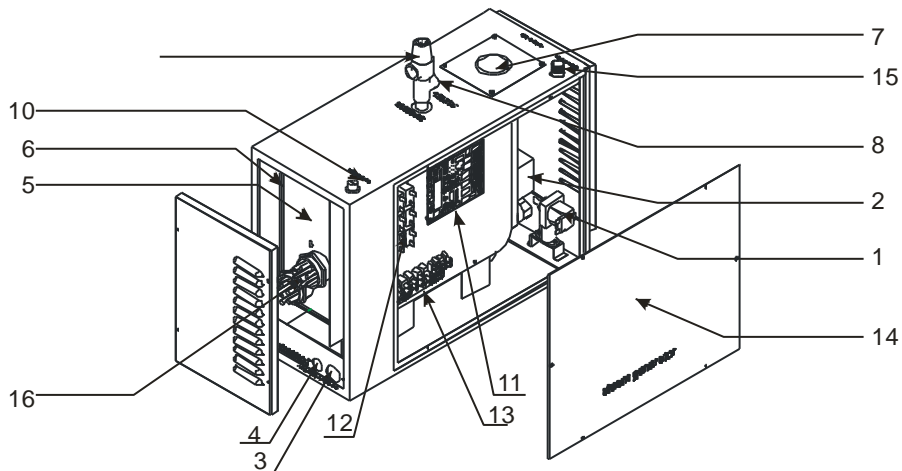


Figure 4

(2) Parts instruction (chart 3):

No.	Part	Description
1	Water inlet valve.	Automatically controls the water flow (maximum pressure 2bar).
2	Drain valve.	Controlled by controller .turn on or turn off to drain water.
3	Power entry.	The route of power wire.
4	Control cable entry.	The route of control cable.
5	Stainless steel tank.	Boiler.
6	Insulation material.	Reduce the loss of the boiler heat.
7	Water lever probe.	Detect the water level.
8	Steam outlet.	Steam outlet.
9	Pressure relief valve.	Operates if the pressure in the boiler exceeds 0.12MPa.
10	Overheat switch.	Boil dry protector operates at 110 °C.
11	Main circuit board.	Control center.
12	Accessorial circuit board.	Connect and control the heat element.
13	Terminal.	Connection for power supply.
14	Earth wire plug.	Connection for earth wire.
15	Descaling liquid inlet.	Descaling liquid inlet (1/2 inch).
16	Heat element.	Heat element.

Parts description of OC-B controller:

1. OC-B controller (Figure 5A)

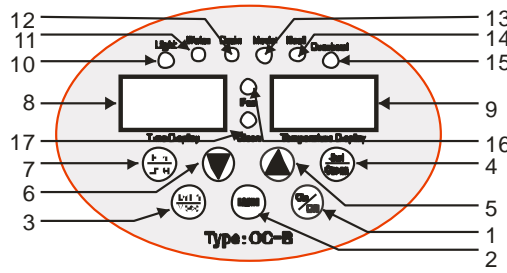


Figure 5A

No.	Part	description
1		Push to operate.
2		Push to operate.
3		Dual function button push to select steam on demand mode or to drain the generator manually when not steaming.
4		Dual function button used when steaming to set the time/temperature and when not steaming to begin the automatic descaling.
5		Increase button.
6		Decrease button.
7		Dual function button switches a fan on and off also used to confirm changes in temperature settings.
8	Time Display Window.	Display the resting and operating time of the steam generator.
9	Temperature display window.	Display the detected temperature of steam room.
10	Light LED.	Indicator LED for the lamp of steam room (if applicable).
11	Water LED.	Indicator LED for water level. Red means water is filling. Green means water level has reached control point. Note: If the LED always in red (exceed 5 minutes), check water supply and check if the water level inlet valve is block. Otherwise the water level inlet valve may also be faulty.
12	Drain LED.	Indicator LED for draining – shows red for manual draining and green for automatic draining at the end of the cycle.
13	Mode LED.	Shows red is for steam on demand mode and green for conventional timing.
14	Heating LED.	Green indicates heating is on, red indicates the required temperature has been reached and the heating has stopped.
15	Overheat LED.	Red LED Indicates that the steam generator was cut off as the heat element is too hot (due to lack of water the heat elements may have run dry).

16	Fan LED.	Indicator LED for Fan (if applicable).
17	Clean LED.	Indicator LED shows descaling in operation.

**Please note, for the generator to operate in steam on demand mode the steam on demand button must be connected.**

## **2. OC-S Steam on demand switch**

The steam on demand switch can be located inside or outside of the steam room.

When the switch is pressed, the LED indicator inside the switch engages red and steam will be generated for 30 minutes. At the end of 30 minutes or if the switch is pressed again, the light will go out and the steam will stop.

## **3. Commercial mode instruction (OC-B+OC-S)**

If OC-B is under domestic mode then the unit can only be controlled by the OC-B controller and not by the OC-S controller.

When OC-B is set to commercial mode, then the steam generator status will change to waiting status (the time window will show “Long” and the LED will flash) , then press OC-S it will operate steam generator.

Every press will set the steam generator to work for 30 minutes. The temperature control will rely on the OC-B controller’s setting before it was set to commercial mode.

## Chapter three: installation

- ★ Isolate the power supply before installation.
- ★ Confirm the model you have selected is suitable for your steam room, please refer to chart 5.
- ★ Mount the steam inlet nozzle approximately 150mm up from the floor and it should be at least 200mm from the seating.
- ★ If the steam generator is installed in an inaccessible place ensure that both the electrical power and water supply can be isolated in an emergency.
- ★ The minimum water inlet pressure is 0.25bar and the maximum is 8bar, we advise that the water pressure not exceed 5bar
- ★ The steam pipe from steam generator to steam room should be kept to a minimum, pipes longer than 5 meters should be insulated to prevent heat loss. Steam pipes will be hot during use and must be protected against accidental contact.
- ★ Keep the number of right angle bends to a minimum and ensure that in the run of the pipe, one does not create a trap into which condensation can gather and cause a blockage. I.e. the pipe must not go down and then up.
- ★ There must be no valve or other blockages/gate devices in the steam pipe.
- ★ The steam pipe should be copper or of other material which can endure 150° C temperature, copper.
- ★ The Steam generator should be level side to side and front to back and should be installed so that the arrows on the case point up.
- ★ Do not install the steam generator in close proximity to hazardous substances.

The following table should be referred to for guidance only. Please note that the size of heater required to heat a particular size of steam room will vary according to a number of factors including the type of material used for construction, the height of the steam room and the ambient temperature.

For lightweight materials such as plastics and laminates 1 KW will heat up to 1 cubic meter of air. For dense materials such as stones and ceramics which will conduct the heat away more rapidly allow for up to 2KW per cubic meter of air. Hot air rises so restricting the height to around 2 meters will ensure the user is sitting in the steam for higher ceilings you may need to increase the power requirement.

The following table is given as a guide, ambient air temperatures and frequency of use (number of door openings) can also affect the power requirements.

Model		Steam room volume (m3)
OC-60B	6KW	4 -7
OC-90B	9KW	7 - 10
OC-120B	13.5KW	10-15
OC-180B	18KW	15-20



**Installation:**

The steam generator should be installed in dry well ventilated place in close proximity to the steam room. It can be placed on the floor or hung on the wall.

In order for installing and maintenance, please refer to Figure-6B to ensure that you have prepared enough space.

To hang the generator on a wall drill 3 holes 8mm in diameter in accordance with the table below and use the wall plugs and screws provided. Fix the top 2 screws in place first then hang the generator by the 2 keyhole shaped holes in the back plate. Then with the front cover removed fix the 3rd screw to secure the unit in place. Refer to Figure 6A.

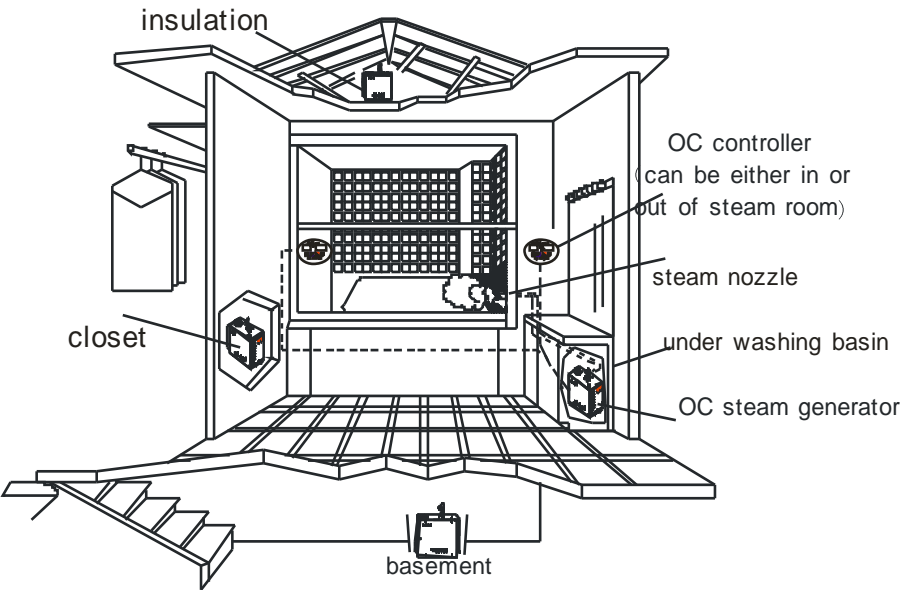


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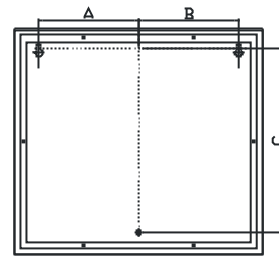


Figure 6A

Model	A	B	C
OCB-09B	215	215	315
OC135B, C180B	215	215	405

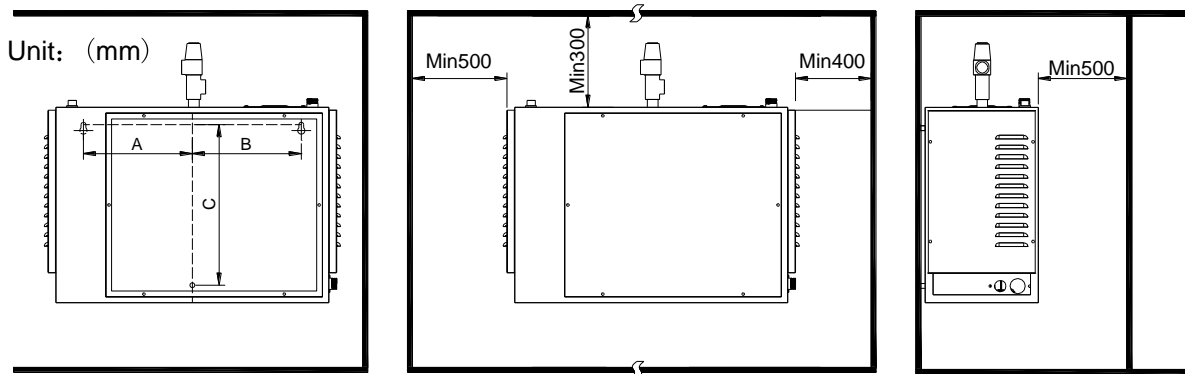
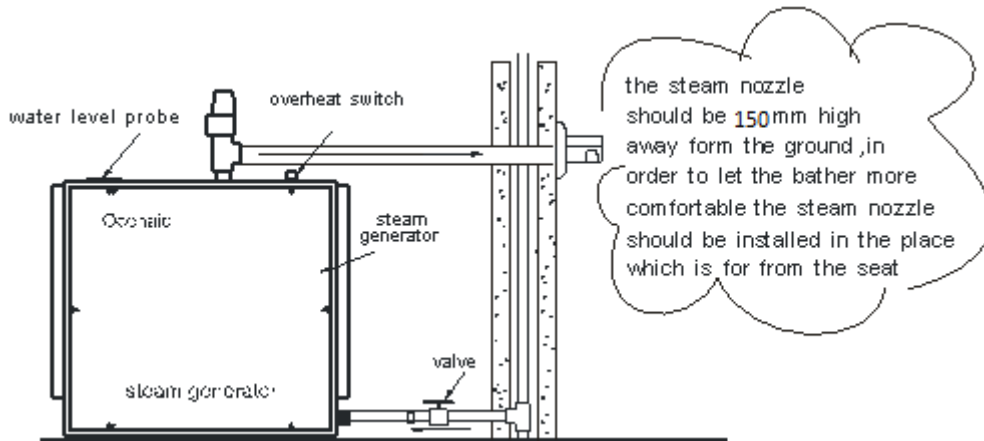


Figure 6B

**Water and steam connection:**

1. The water supply pipe and steam pipe should comply with local standards.
2. Connect the water inlet valve of the generator to the 15mm mains water supply using a flexible hose with 1/2 inch fittings.
3. Steam outlet (1/2 inch or 3/4 inch) use the same dimension copper pipe to connect it, if the steam pipe is longer than 5 meter it should be insulated. During use the steam pipe will be very hot and must be

protected against accidental contact. Note that according to the location it may be necessary to attach an additional length of pipe to the pressure relief valve in order to divert the steam flow to a safe direction should the valve operate.

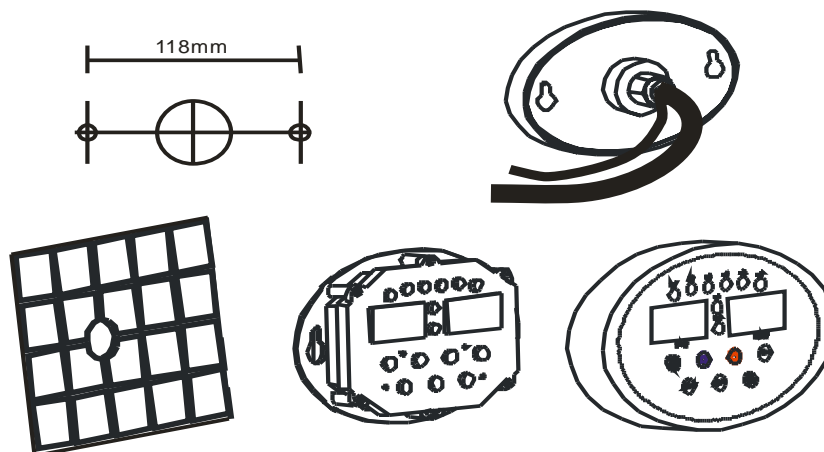


4. Connect the drain outlet to a suitable drain via a grey hose or copper pipe with the appropriate fittings.
5. Make a secure connection between steam nozzle & steam pipe.
6. Use non corrosive hose with ½ inch unions to connect between the descaling liquid container and the inlet valve. Note that the descaling liquid container must be mounted at least 500 mm above the steam generator.

Installation for controller and temperature probe:

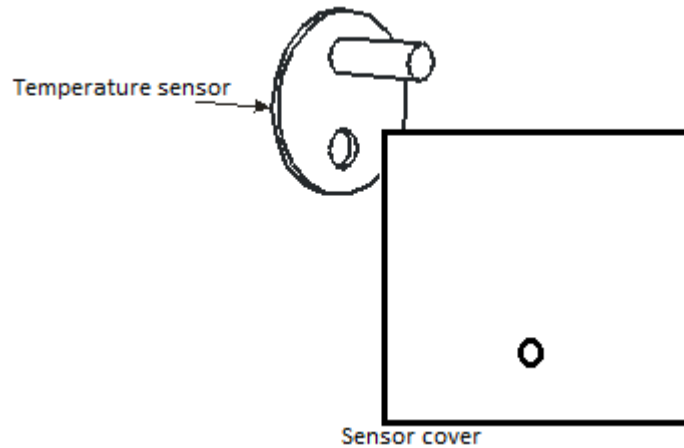
OC-B controller is water proof and can be installed inside or outside the steam room.

1. Ideally the control panel should be installed at a height of approximately 1500mm for ease of use.
2. Installation method: Insert a conduit round box into the wall at approximately 1500mm.  
Open the front cover of the OC-B Controller. Put the protuberant back of the controller inside the round box on the wall , then fix it to the wall replace the cover.
2. Pin one end of the controller cable (6 core) to the circuit board ports in steam generator and connect the other end to the controller's cable.



4. Temperature probe installation:

The temperature probe is installed inside the steam room between 1.2 to 1.5 meters high and away from the door. Use silicone to fix it to the sensor cover and connect to the wire from the controller (2Pin), then fix the sensor cover in place with silicone.

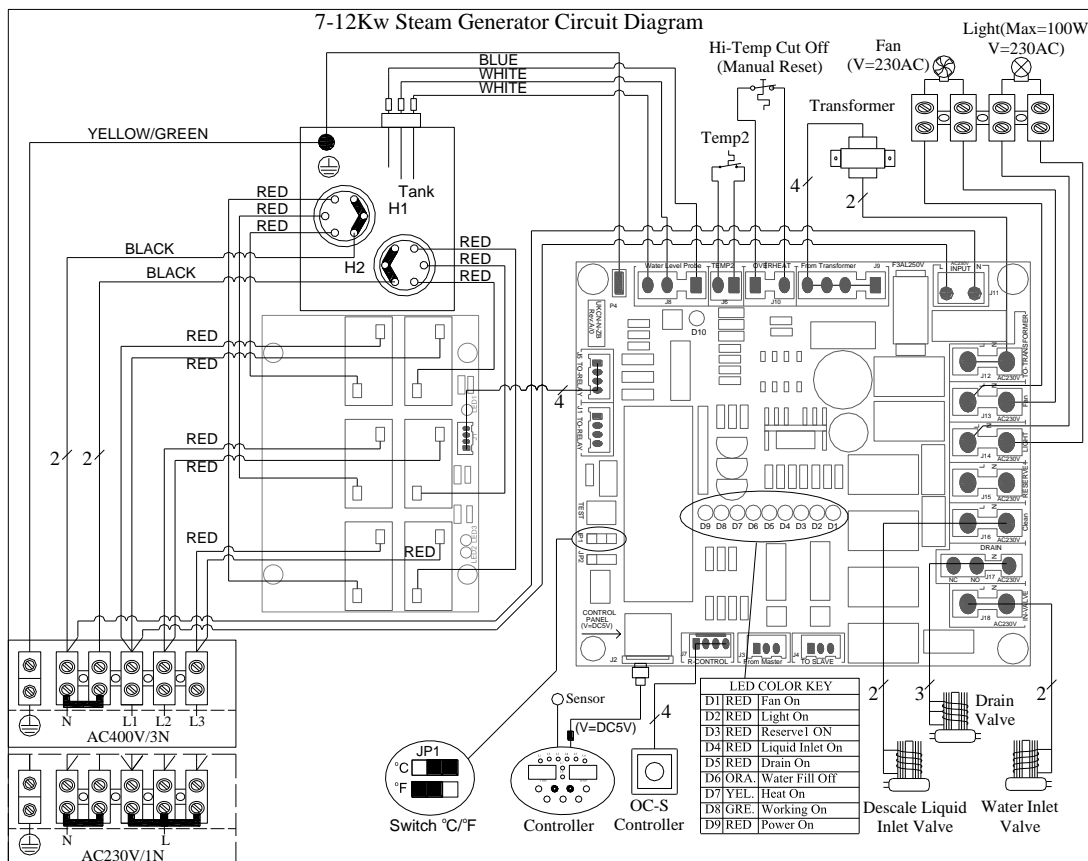


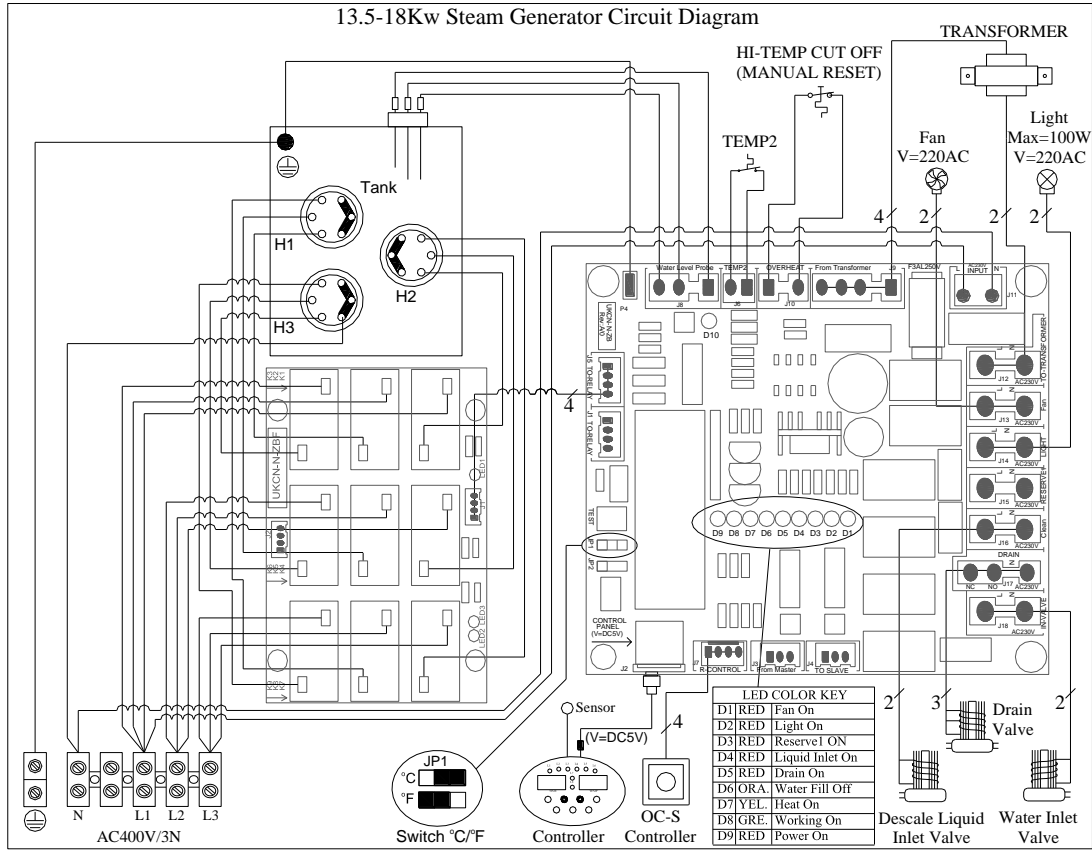
Installation for power supply and control cable:

Confirm the correct voltage of power supply and wires.

Remove the knock out for the power cable entry and use a rubber grommet to protect the cable. Connect the conductors to the correct terminals. For a single phase power supply use the copper bridge connectors, for 3 phase supply remove them.

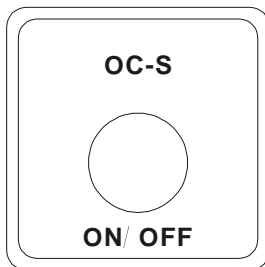
Ensure the power supply wire and control cables remain separated to prevent magnetic field of power supply wire from disturbing control cable signal.










**Steam on Demand Function:**



Commercial operators may wish to take advantage of the steam on demand function which will allow customers to press the steam on demand button located inside the steam room after which the generator will operate for 30 minutes then stop until activated again.



To operate the steam on demand function install the controller inside the plant room alongside the generator then fit the push button supplied in a convenient location inside the steam room and connect to the controller with the cable provided.









## Chapter Four: Testing and operation

1. Once the installation has been completed and checked turn on power and water supplies and carry out the following test.
2. On the control panel press the “” key, (the key has a time-lapse function, press it for 1 second), the time and temp windows display the data.
3. The water inlet valve turns on & water enters the boiler, the indicator LED is now red. When the water level rises to the low water sensor level the elements switch on and the heating indicator LED will switch on, several seconds later when the high water sensor is reached the water inlet indicator LED changes to green and the water inlet valve will turn off.
4. After a few minutes of operation it will begin steaming, for small steam generator 2-3 minutes, for larger generators 3-5 minutes.
5. Press the “” key again the controller turns off, there will be no data on display and the generator will stop - no more steam.
6. Press the “” key once more (temp and time display again) after a few seconds the generator will begin steaming again, let the generator operate for a short while - the water level will fall to the low water level, check that the water inlet valve opens automatically (the water inlet indicator LED becomes red) During the cold water enters boiler, the steam generator still produce steam. Once the high water level is reached again the water inlet valve will close the and the LED will go back to green.
7. The time display counts down to show the remaining time, when it reaches 0 the steam generator will stop heating.
8. If the steam generator has operated for 10 minutes or more, when it is turned off (manually or automatically) it will enter the automatic drain down cycle. This means that once the temperature of the water in the boiler falls below 80 °C it will drain and then flush before it can start steaming again.  
Note: when the steam generator is off you can drain it manually (flush boiler and drain) by pressing the “drain” button – drain LED starts flashing - note that the water will only start draining once the temperature has fallen below 80 °C.
9. “” This button has 2 functions if the generator is off this button can be used to drain the generator manually. If the generator is switched on it is used to select the steam on demand operating mode.
10. When the preset temperature for the steam room is reached 2 of the 3 element banks will switch off allowing just the 1 bank to continue heating to maintain the temperature. Elements will cycle on and off to maintain the temperature to within approximately 2.5 degrees above or below the preset requirement.
11. Boil dry protection – if the water supply fails the water level indicator LED will change to red and the steam generator will stop.
12. The “” can output 230V AC to power the transformer for a 12V steam room lamp.




13. “” this button has 2 functions it can be used to power a fan if fitted and is also used during the temperature or time setting procedure to confirm the settings (see further details below)
14. “” this button has 2 functions it is used to set the time and temperature settings and to start the descaling operation (see further details below).
15. To change the display temperature from Celsius (default) to Fahrenheit, alter the settings of the JP1 pins on the circuit board, please refer to chapter 3 for circuit diagram.

### Setting time and temperature

When the steam generator leaves the factory the default settings are 40°C and 1 hour of operation these can be adjusted as follows;

1. Time setting: press “” key the time display window will flash - press “” “” to adjust the time, every press will increase or reduce the time by 5 minutes, once the desired setting is reached press “” and the window will stop flashing. You can adjust from the time from **10 to 240 minutes** ,exceed 240 minutes it display “No” which means no time limit. Note the controller has a memory function, if the power supply is not cut off, the next time you turn on the steam generator the time you selected will be the default time.
2. Temperature setting: if you press “” once after you finish setting the time or otherwise twice the temperature window will flash, enter the required temperature by pressing “” “” to adjust - every press will increase or reduce 1°C. You can adjust from 30°C-60°C (85-140°F under Fahrenheit display) once the required temperature has been set press the “” key and the window will stop flashing.
3. Auto-descaling can only operate when the steam generator is in the OFF mode i.e. the boiler has finished steaming, the water has drained and flushed and the drain LED is off.  
Before auto-descaling can commence a supply of dilute citric acid liquid must be connected from a storage vessel positioned at least 500mm above the steam generator. For the dilution ratio please refer to the information supplied with the citric acid.

**IMPORTANT** do not use strong acids or high concentrations as these may attack and destroy the element or other metal parts of the boiler.

To start the process press the “” key for 5 seconds, “Clean” LED will switch on and the time window will display last setting time (default setting is 8 hours), press “” or “” for 5 seconds, the time window will display only hours, increase or decrease to set the required time. Each button press will increase or decrease by 1 hour. The maximum is 24 hours and the minimum is 1 hour. Once the setting has finished the flashing will stop and the process will begin automatically by opening the inlet valve for the boiler to fill with the descaling solution, the inlet valve will then close and the solution will remain inside the boiler for the preset time. At the end of the sequence the drain valve will open and the boiler will drain and then flush with clean water. When the cycle is complete the drain LED will switch off.

**Important notes**

1. Ensure there is sufficient descaling solution in the container to completely fill the boiler – when the liquid level reaches the required level the D4 LED on the circuit board will switch on.
2. If the power supply is interrupted during the descaling process, do not operate the steam generator until either the descaling process has been reset or the acid solution has been drained and the boiler flushed with clean water – minimum 3 flushes.

## Chapter Five: Troubleshoot guide

Please note that we recommend all repairs are carried out by a suitably qualified person.

Trouble description	cause	solution
<p>When the generator is turned on there is no display on control panel.</p>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Power supply.</li>   <li>2. Transformer.</li> <li>3. Main circuit board.</li>   <li>4. Controller.</li>   <li>5. Control cable or port.</li> </ol>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Check power supply voltage.</li>   <li>2. If the indicator LED which indicates power supply to the circuit board isn't on in red then check transformer.</li>   <li>3. If the LED is red then remove the controller and use the circuit board to turn on the steam generator. If the steam generator still doesn't work then the circuit board is faulty and must be replaced.</li>   <li>4. If turning the unit on via the circuit board works, then the controller or controller cable could be faulty.</li> </ol>
<p>When the controller is on, however the heating LED does not light up and no steam is produced.</p>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Water supply valve is closed.</li>   <li>2. Water inlet magnetic valve.</li>   <li>3. Water level probe.</li>   <li>4. Main board.</li>   <li>5. Earth wire of boiler and circuit board.</li>   <li>6. Circuit board.</li>   <li>7. Heat element.</li> </ol>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. If the indicator LED for water level is red then check the water supply and water inlet valve.</li>   <li>2. Check the connection of the water level probe.</li>   <li>3. Check earth wire connection of circuit board and boiler.</li>   <li>4. If the indicator LED for water level is green then check circuit board.</li>   <li>5. Check if overheat switch is disconnect.</li>   <li>6. Check heater elements.</li> </ol>



Steam generator is turned on, control panel is normal and the indicator LED for heating is on but there is no steam.	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Main circuit board.</li> <li>2. Relay circuit board.</li> <li>3. Heat elements.</li> </ol>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Replace main circuit board.</li> <li>2. Replace relay circuit board.</li> <li>3. Replace heater elements.</li> </ol>
Temperature window displays "LC".	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Water level probe Connection.</li> </ol>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Check connection or change temperature probe.</li> </ol>
Temperature window displays "HC".	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Water level probe or sensor is short circuiting.</li> </ol>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Check water level probe connection.</li> <li>2. Check the controller for short circuits.</li> <li>3. Check sensor wire for short circuits.</li> </ol>
When the steam generator is switched off, water starts to flow out of the steam nozzle.	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Water inlet valve.</li> </ol>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. The water inlet valve may require cleaning or replacing.</li> </ol>
When the main power supply is turned off, water starts to flow out of the steam nozzle.	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Water inlet valve.</li> <li>2. Circuit board.</li> </ol>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Replace circuit board or water inlet valve</li> </ol>
Steam generator dose not cut off after it has been switched off.	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Circuit board.</li> <li>2. Controller.</li> <li>3. Relays on accessorial circuit board.</li> <li>4. Water level probe.</li> </ol>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Cut power supply and contact your local dealer.</li> </ol>

## Chapter six: Maintenance

The most common cause of problems with steam generation is the build up of scale resulting from dissolved solids within the water. Scaling can cause the elements to fail, the water level sensors not to function and premature failure of the O rings resulting in leaks from around the elements. The extent of the problem will vary according to the degree of hardness in the local water supply.

For all commercial operators we recommend the use of a water softener.

All users commercial and domestic must ensure a regular maintenance routine to descale the generator, the frequency of which will vary according to the degree of hardness in the local water supply and the amount of time the generator is used for. Check the water for hardness and arrange the descaling routine accordingly.

- High levels of hardness descale once every 50 to 100 hours of operation
- Medium levels of hardness descale once every 100 to 250 hours operation
- Low levels of hardness descale once every 250 to 1000 hours of operation.

To descale the generator use a solution of weak acid crystals (such as citric acid) mixed with water.

Citric acid crystals are available in sachets for descaling kettles from most hardware stores.

Commercial operators in hard water areas may wish to purchase larger quantities from specialist outlets. Follow the instruction supplied with the crystals and allow sufficient time for the solution to dissolve the scale before flushing out the generator.

Faults arising from a result of failure to descale the generator are not covered under warranty.

Because heating and cooling cause expansion and contraction it is important to inspect all the water and steam inlets and outlets as well as their pipes and connectors on a regular basis to ensure there are no leaks.

Clean the filter net in the magnetic valve according to the water quality in the location.

The condition of the wiring and electrical integrity of the generator should be checked regularly - for commercial operators this should be at least once a year.

### Guarantee:

All generators are guaranteed for 12 months from the date of purchase. This guarantee excludes consumable items such as the electrical elements and failures resulting from misuse or abuse such as a failure to descale as above.

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