

## INTRODUCTION

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To the owner or user: The service manual you are reading is intended to provide you, and the maintenance or service technician, with the information needed to install, start up, clean, maintain, and service this ice system.

The NME1250 features: front service for the evaporator, gearmotor, control box, water reservoir and bin control; electronic circuitry for monitoring ice and water level; a thermostatic expansion valve; and HP62 as the refrigerant.

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***Parts Lists and Wiring Diagrams are located in the center of this manual, printed on yellow paper.***

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## FOR THE INSTALLER

These machines are designed to fit the following Scotsman storage bins:

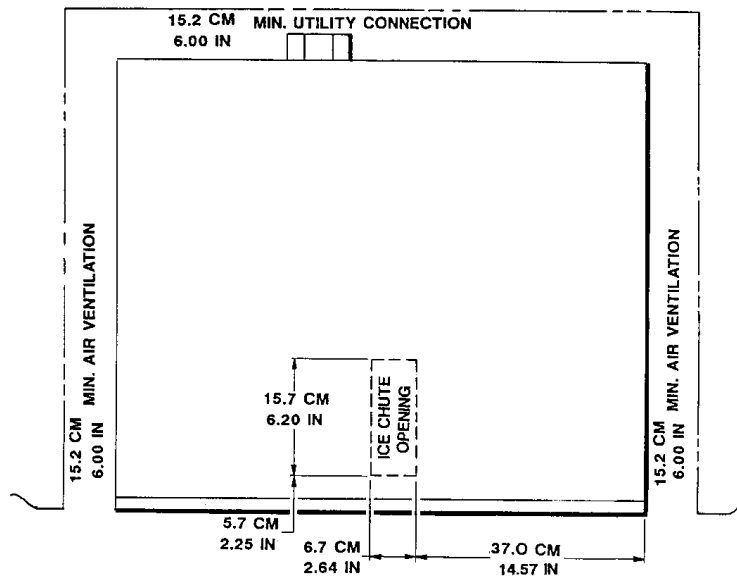
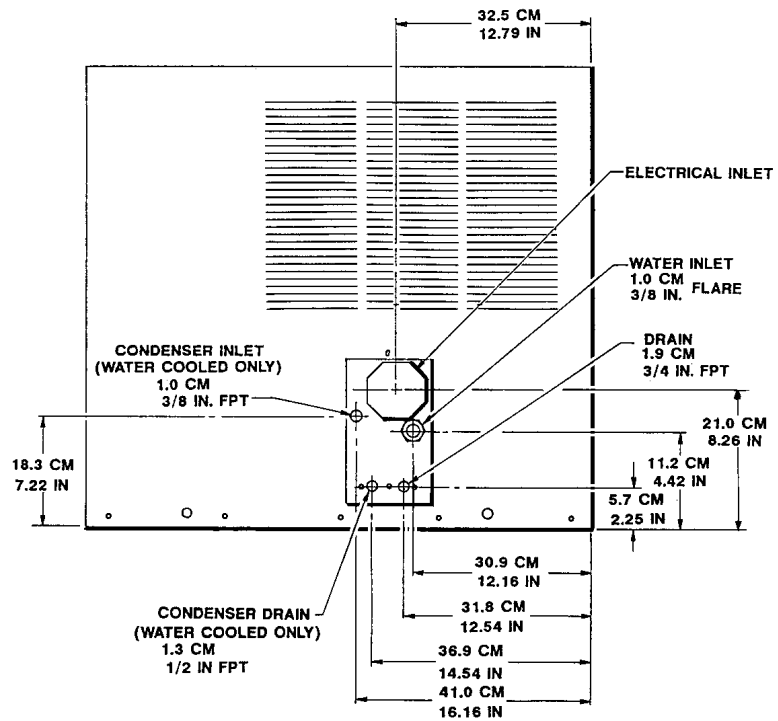
- B90 and extensions  
(with bin top KBT18)
- HTB555 or BH550
- BH800 using bin top  
KBT23
- BH900 using bin top  
KBT22

The normal finish for the machine is enamel, but an optional stainless steel panel kit (SPKCMD-1) may be added to the machine.

When installing a new system, check to be sure that you have everything you need before beginning:

- Correct Bin
- Correct Ice Machine
- Correct Bin Top (if required)

All kits, legs, and information required for the specific job.



### SPECIFICATIONS: ICEMAKER

Model Number	Cabinet Dimensions W" x D" x H"	Basic Electrical	Condenser Type	Refrigerant Charge (R-404A)	Minimum Circuit Ampacity	Maximum Fuse Size
NME1250AE-32A	30 x 24 x 27	208-230/60/1	Air Cooled	36 ounces	15.0	20
NME1250WE-32A	30 x 24 x 27	208-230/60/1	Water Cooled	24 ounces	14.3	20

Minimum Circuit Ampacity is used to determine wire size per National Electric Code.

**FOR THE INSTALLER: Environmental Limitations**

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**Installation Limitations:**

This ice system is designed to be installed indoors, in a controlled environment:

	Min.	Max.
Air Temperature	50 <sup>0</sup> F	100 <sup>0</sup> F
Water Temperature	40 <sup>0</sup> F	100 <sup>0</sup> F
Water Pressure	20 psi	80 psi
Voltage	-5%	+10%

(Compared to the nameplate)

Operating the machine outside of the limitations is misuse and can void the warranty.

**Water Limitations**

An ice machine is a food manufacturing plant; it takes a raw material, water, and turns it into a food product, ice. The purity of the water is very important in obtaining pure ice and in maximizing product life. This section is not intended as a complete resource for water questions, but it does offer these general recommendations:

1. Filter the water used to produce ice. That is the water going to the "potable" water connection. Water filters vary in ability and function. Install one that filters out suspended solids to a dimension of 5 microns or smaller. The finer the filter the better, but finer filters will clog sooner than course ones. It may be necessary to add a course filter ahead of the fine filter to prolong filter life.
2. Check with a water treatment specialist for a water test, and recommendations regarding filters and treatment.

Scotsman Ice Systems are designed and manufactured with the highest regard for safety and performance. They meet or exceed the standards of UL, NSF, and CSA.

Scotsman assumes no liability or responsibility of any kind for products manufactured by Scotsman that have been altered in any way, including the use of any part and/or other components not specifically approved by Scotsman.

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### Location

After uncrating and inspection, the unit is ready for installation. It is important that the machine be installed in a location where it has enough space around it to be accessible for service, and minimum of 6" be allowed to the left, right and top for air circulation on air cooled models. Try to avoid hot, dirty and crowded locations. Be sure that the location for the machine is within the limitations described on page 3.

### Storage Bin

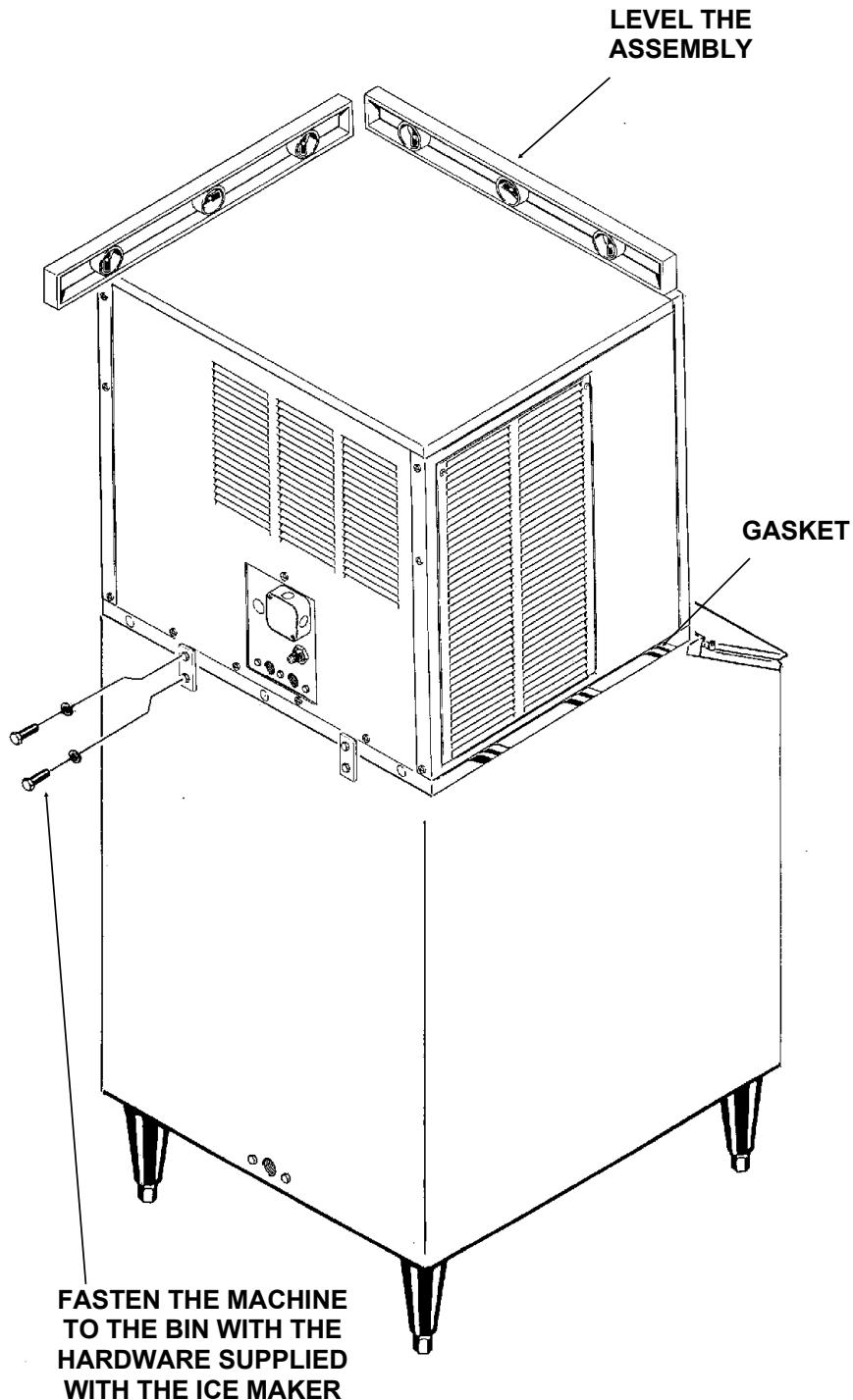
Tip the storage bin on its back, using parts of the carton to protect the exterior finish. Install the legs into the threaded holes in the bottom of the bin. Turn the leg levelers all the way in preparation for leveling later. Return the bin to the upright position, remove paper covering the bin gasket.

Install bin top if required.

Note: Do not push bin into position, but lift it there. Pushing a bin, especially one with ice in it, can cause damage to the legs and the leg mounts.

### Ice Maker

The machine is heavy, so the use of a mechanical lift is recommended for lifting the machine high enough to install on top of the bin. After the unit is placed on the bin, line it up so it is even with the back, left, and right sides. Secure the machine to the bin with the hardware provided with the machine.



## FOR THE PLUMBER

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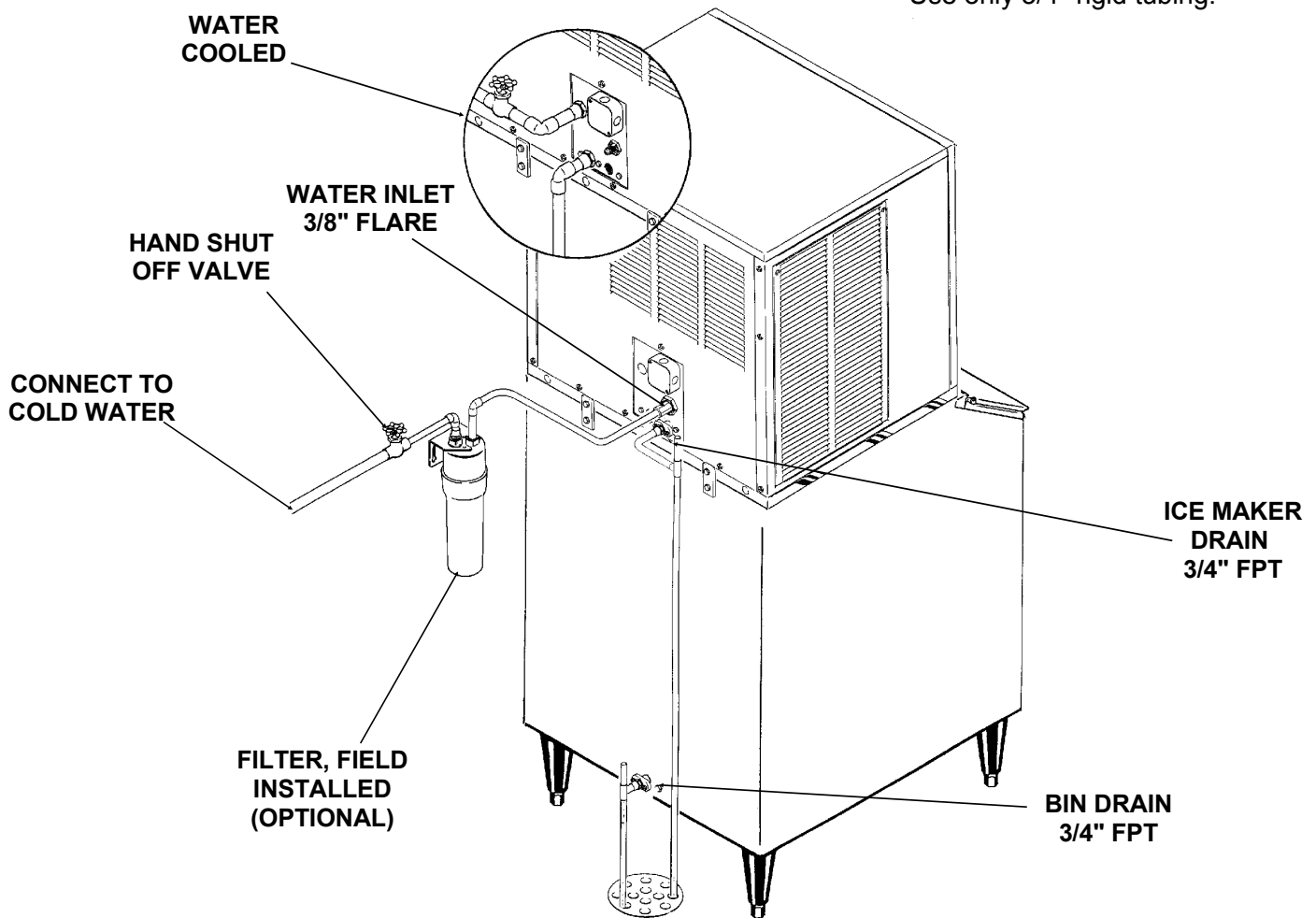
#### Water Inlet

**Air Cooled Models:** The recommended water supply is cold water. Use 3/8" O.D. copper tubing, connect to the 3/8" male flare at the back of the cabinet. Install a hand valve near the machine to control the water supply.

#### Drains

**Air Cooled Models:** There is one 3/4" FPT drain at the back of the cabinet, the drain line is of the gravity type, and 1/4 inch per foot fall is an acceptable pitch for the drain tubing. There should be a vent at the highest point of the drain line, and the ideal drain receptacle would be a trapped and vented floor drain.

Use only 3/4" rigid tubing.



**Water Cooled Models:** A separate 3/8" O.D. copper line is recommended, with a separate hand valve to control it. It is connected to a 3/8" FPT condenser inlet at the back of the cabinet. The water pressure to all lines must always be above 20 psig, and below 120 psig.

**Water Cooled Models:** In addition to the above mentioned drain, a separate condenser drain must be installed. Connect it to the 1/2" condenser drain connection at the back of the cabinet.

**Storage Bin:** A separate gravity type drain needs to be run, similar to the air cooled drain. Insulation of this drain line is recommended.

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## FOR THE ELECTRICIAN

### CONFORM TO ALL APPLICABLE CODES

The electrical power to the unit is supplied through the junction box at the rear of the machine.

Check the nameplate (located on the back panel) for the voltage requirements, and for the minimum circuit ampacity. The machine requires a solid chassis to earth ground wire.

The ice maker should be connected to its own electrical circuit so it would be individually fused.

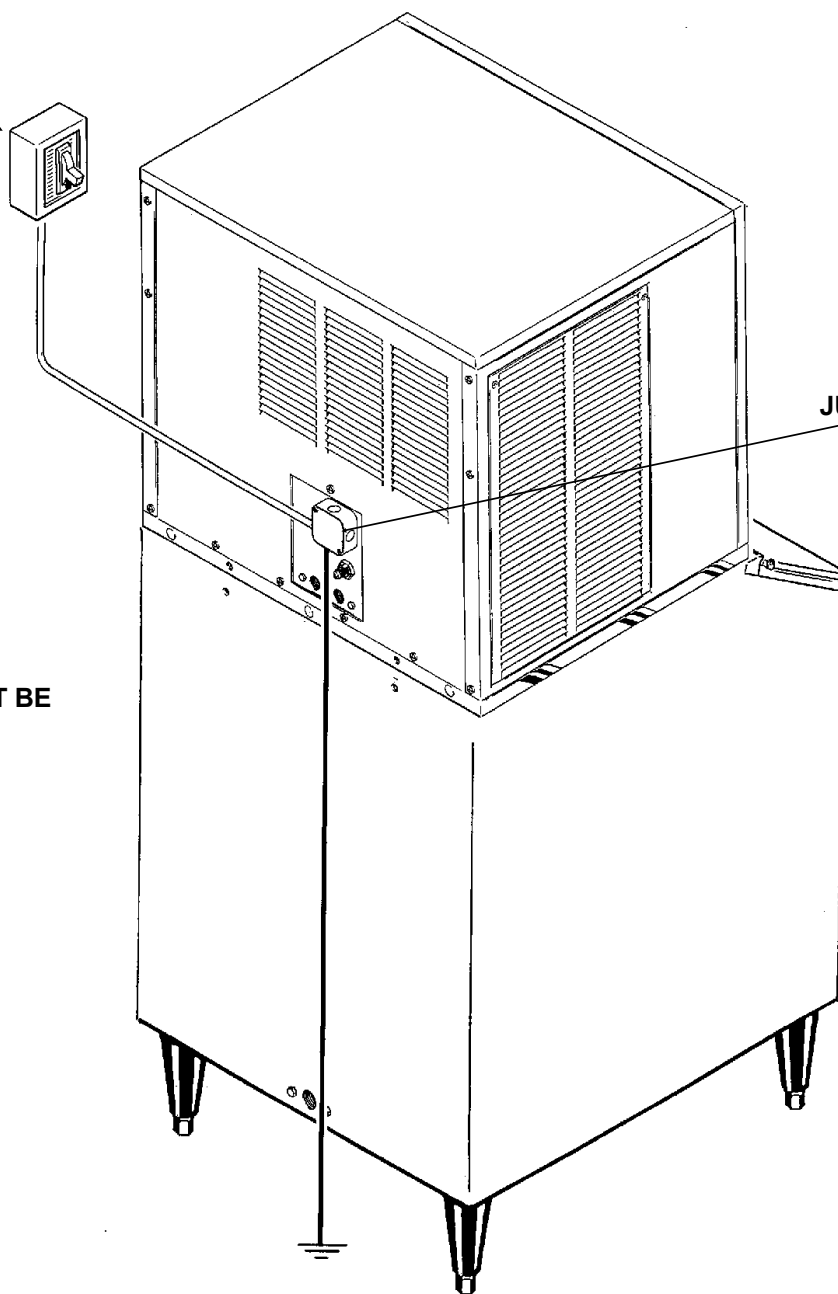
Voltage variation must remain within design limitations, even under starting conditions.

**All external wiring must conform to national, state, and local electrical codes. The use of a licensed electrician is required to perform the electrical installation.**

POWER  
SUPPLY

ICE MAKER  
JUNCTION BOX

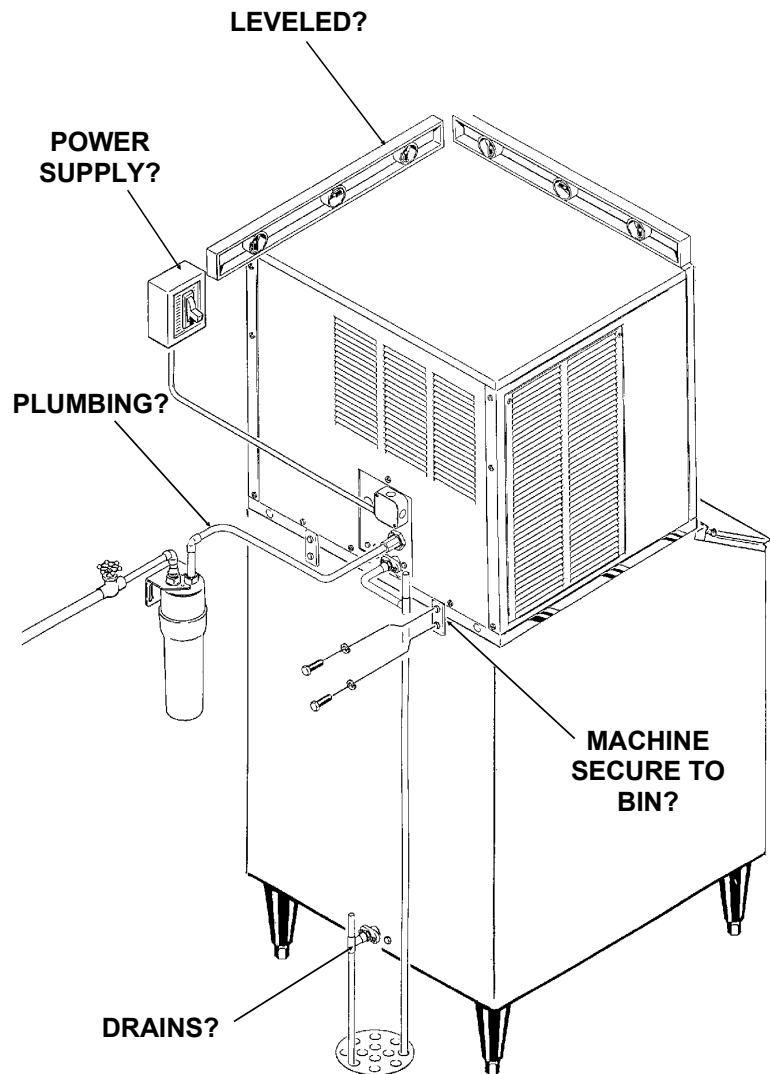
THIS UNIT MUST BE  
GROUNDED



## FOR THE INSTALLER: Final Check List

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1. Is the ice system installed indoors in a location where the air and water temperatures are controlled, and where they do not exceed the design limitations?
2. Is there an electrical service disconnect within sight of the installed machine? Has the voltage been checked, and compared to nameplate requirements?
3. Have all the plumbing connections been made and checked for leaks?
4. Has the machine and bin been leveled?
5. Is there a minimum of 6" clearance at the rear, left, and right of the machine for proper service access and air circulation?
6. Is the water pressure a minimum of 20 psig?
7. Has the machine been secured to the bin?
8. Is there a water shut off valve installed near the machine?
9. Have the shipping blocks been removed from under the gearmotor, the top of the ice chute, and from between the gearmotor and the right side panel?



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## START UP

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### Pre-Start Inspection

1. Remove the front, and left side service panels.
2. Check that the styrofoam shipping blocks under the gearmotor, on top of the ice discharge chute, and between the gearmotor and the right side panel have been removed.
3. Inspect the interior of the machine for loose screws or wires. Check that no refrigerant lines are rubbing each other. Check that the fan blade turns freely (air cooled).
4. Check that the unit is installed correctly according to the final check list (page 8).

### Start Up

1. Go through the prestart inspection.
2. Open the hand valve, observe that water enters the water reservoir, fills the tube from the reservoir to the evaporator, and then shuts off. Check for leaks.
3. Switch the master switch on.  
The electrical start up sequence is now on automatic.
  - A. There should be a short (15 second) delay before the gearmotor starts.
  - B. After the gearmotor starts, the compressor will start.
4. On air cooled models, the condenser will begin to discharge warm air, on water cooled models, the water regulating valve will open, and warm water will be discharged into the drain.
5. The unit should soon be making ice, if desired, the low side pressure can be checked: it should be between 30 and 32 psig. Low side pressure may be lower than 30 PSIG when the ambient is under 70°F. and higher than 32 when ambient is over 90°F.
- The suction line temperature at the compressor is normally very cold, nearly to the point of frost up to the compressor body, but not on it.  
The air cooled discharge pressure will depend upon air and water temperatures, but should be between 220 psig and 330 psig.  
The water cooled discharge pressure should be constant at about 245 psig.  
The above numbers are for new, clean machines, you can expect to see some values higher, and some lower between different units.
6. **THERE ARE NO ADJUSTMENTS TO MAKE**, so replace the panels.
7. Clean and/or sanitize the storage bin interior, wipe off the exterior with a clean, damp cloth.
8. Give the owner/user the service manual, instruct him/her in the operation of the unit, and make sure they know who to call for service.
9. Fill out the Customer Evaluation and Registration form, and mail it to Scotsman.



## COMPONENT DESCRIPTION

**Control Box:** Contains the electrical controls that operate the machine.

**Low Pressure Cut Out:** "A" models only: A manual reset switch set to shut the machine off should the low side pressure go below 0-4 psig.

**High Pressure Cut Out:** A manual reset switch sensing the high side refrigeration pressure. It is set to shut the machine off at 450 psig.

**Evaporator:** A vertical stainless steel tube, refrigerated, and water filled. In it, there is a stainless steel auger.

**Reservoir:** Float operated, it maintains the water level in the evaporator at a constant level, it also contains the water level sensor.

**Water Level Sensor:** Senses if there is water in the reservoir to make ice out of. Will shut the machine off if there is none.

**Ice Discharge Chute:** Directs the ice made by the evaporator into the storage bin.

**Ice Level Sensor:** An electronic "eye", it senses the presence of ice in the bottom of the ice discharge chute. Operates to turn the ice machine on and off automatically as the level of ice in the bin changes.

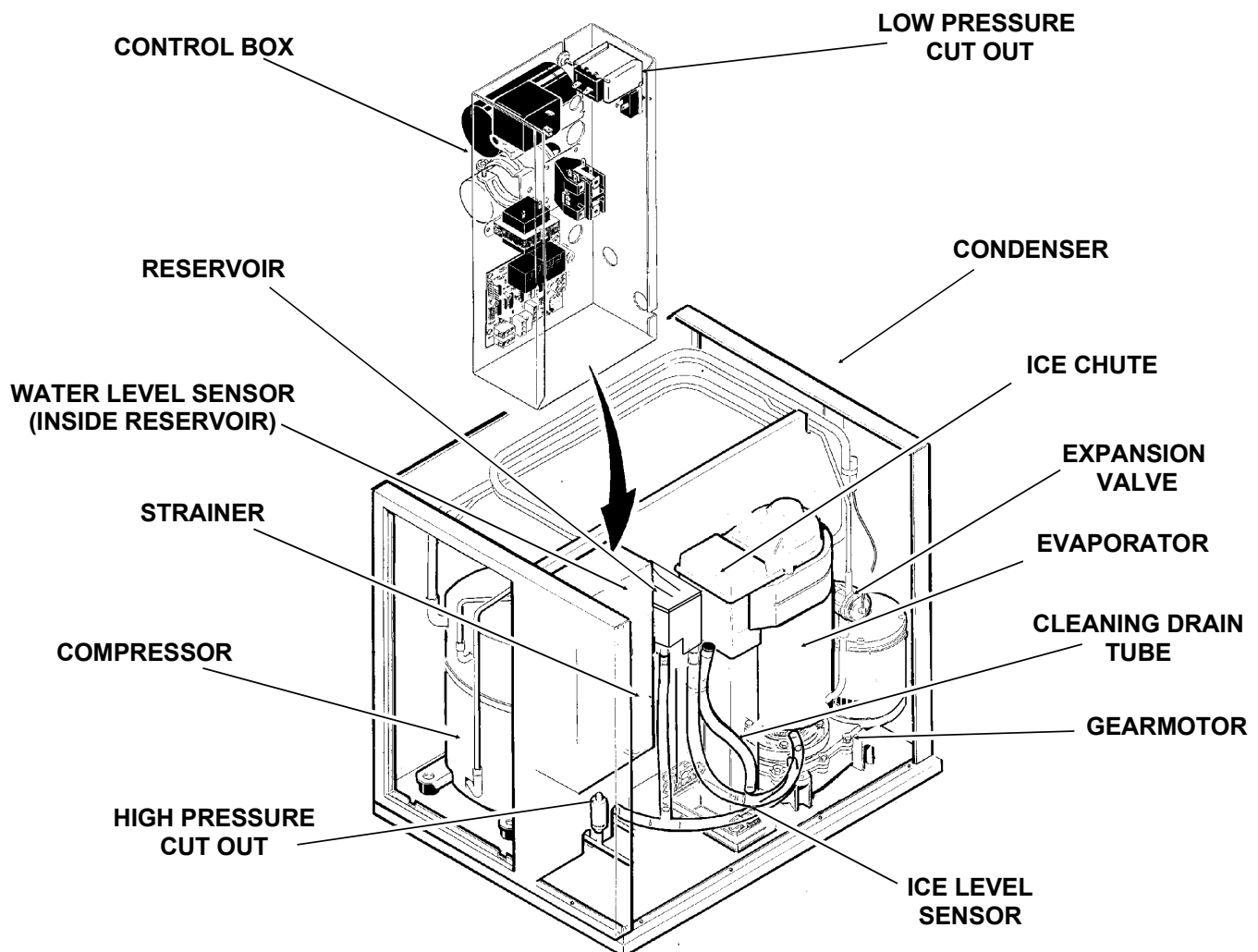
**Gear Motor:** An oil filled, speed reduction gearbox, driving the auger.

**Cleaning Drain Tube:** When uncapped and lowered, drains the evaporator.

**Compressor:** The refrigerant vapor pump.

**Condenser:** Air or water cooled, where the heat removed in ice making is discharged.

**Expansion valve:** The refrigerant metering device.



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## COMPONENT DESCRIPTION: Control Box

**Contactors:** A definite purpose contactor connecting the compressor to the power supply.

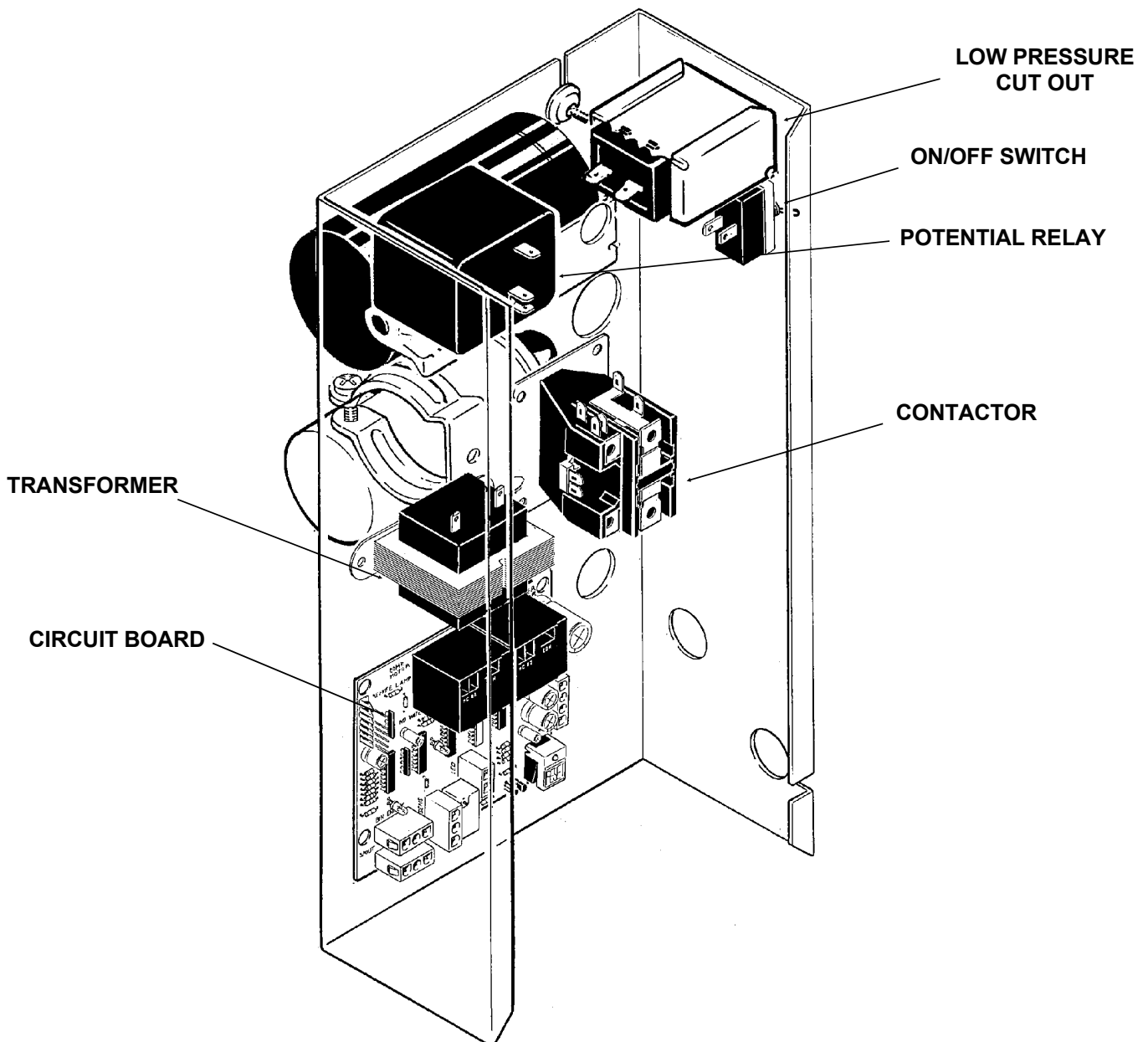
**Circuit Board:** Controlling the ice machine through sensors and relays. The sensors are: ice level, and water level. The relays are for the gear motor (with a built in time delay to clear the evaporator of ice when the unit turns off) and for the compressor.

**Transformer:** Supplies low voltage to the circuit board.

**Low Pressure Control (Cut Out):** A manual reset control to shut off the ice machine when the low side pressure drops below a preset point, 0-4 psig.

**Potential Relay:** The compressor start relay.

**On/Off Switch:** Manual control for the machine.



## COMPONENT DESCRIPTION

**Evaporator:** A refrigerated vertical tube filled with water and containing a water seal and auger.

**Auger:** A solid stainless steel double spiral auger, it pushes the ice crystals up to the top of the evaporator.

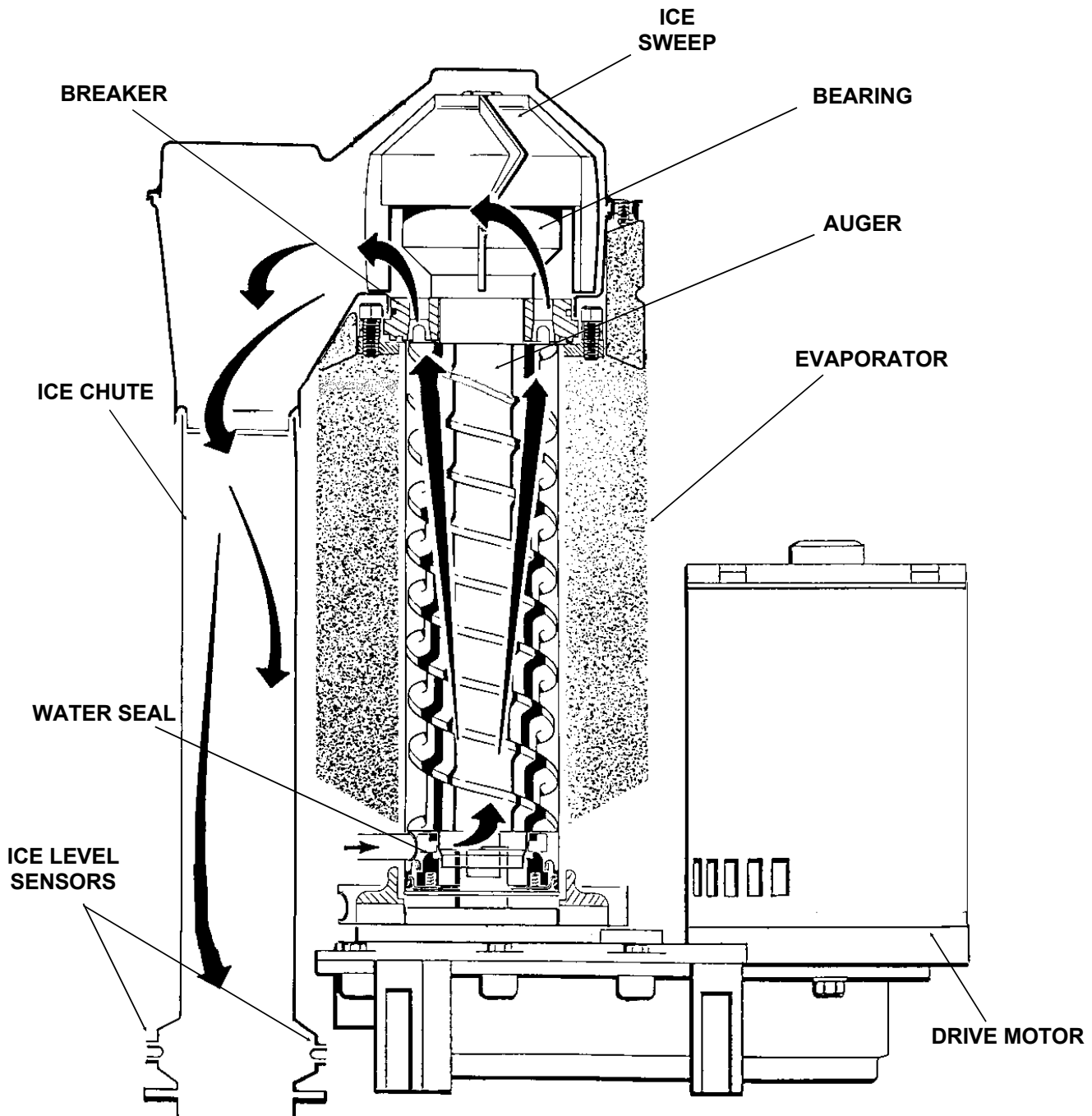
**Water Seal:** A two part "face" seal, the top half rotating with the auger, the bottom half stationary, the sealing action being where the two seal "faces" meet.

**Ice Sweep:** A plastic cap with "fingers". It revolves with the auger to "sweep" the ice into the ice chute.

**Breaker:** Where the ice is compressed and much of the extra water is squeezed out of it before it is discharged into the bin.

**Motor:** A split phase motor that drives the gear reducer.

**Bearing:** As the ice is pushed up the evaporator, the auger is thrust down, and pressure from the auger thrust is taken up by this bearing.



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## ELECTRICAL SEQUENCE: "A" Models

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Refer the wiring diagram as needed.

If the machine is switched off at the master switch, but is otherwise ready to go, switching the master switch to on and pressing the start reset switch does the following:

- The bin empty light on the circuit board goes on
- There is a 15 second delay
- If there is enough water in the reservoir, the circuit board will allow the machine to start up.

### **Start up consists of:**

- The compressor relay and auger motor relay become energized, connecting power to the windings of the auger motor.
- The auger motor starts, and the centrifugal switch closes, connecting power to the compressor contactor coil.
- The contactor is energized, connecting power to the compressor, and the compressor starts.
- As ice goes past the ice level sensors, the bin empty light will stay on, and the machine will continue to run, unless the ice stays between the sensors for more than 15 seconds (bin full). At that point, the bin empty light goes out, and the machine shuts down.

### **Shut Down consists of:**

- The compressor relay opens.
- The compressor contactor opens
- The compressor stops
- The auger motor is run by the circuit board for 2 more minutes, clearing out ice in the evaporator, and then
- The auger motor relay opens, and the auger motor stops.

If the ice level sensor is clear (bin empty) for more than 15 seconds, the machine will start up again.

Another purpose of the circuit board is to turn the machine off if there is not enough water in the machine.

- When the water level in the reservoir falls below the water level sensor, the machine will "shut down"
- When the water refills the reservoir, the machine will start up again.

### **Separate from the circuit board:**

- If the high pressure control (cut out) opens, the machine will stop immediately (through the relays on the circuit board). It must be manually reset.
- If the low pressure control (cut out) opens, the machine will stop immediately (through the relays on the circuit board). It must be manually reset.
- The master switch is the manual control for the complete machine, but it is not a service disconnect.

## OPERATION

### Water

Water enters the machine through the 3/8" male flare at the rear of the cabinet, goes to the water reservoir which it enters through the float valve.

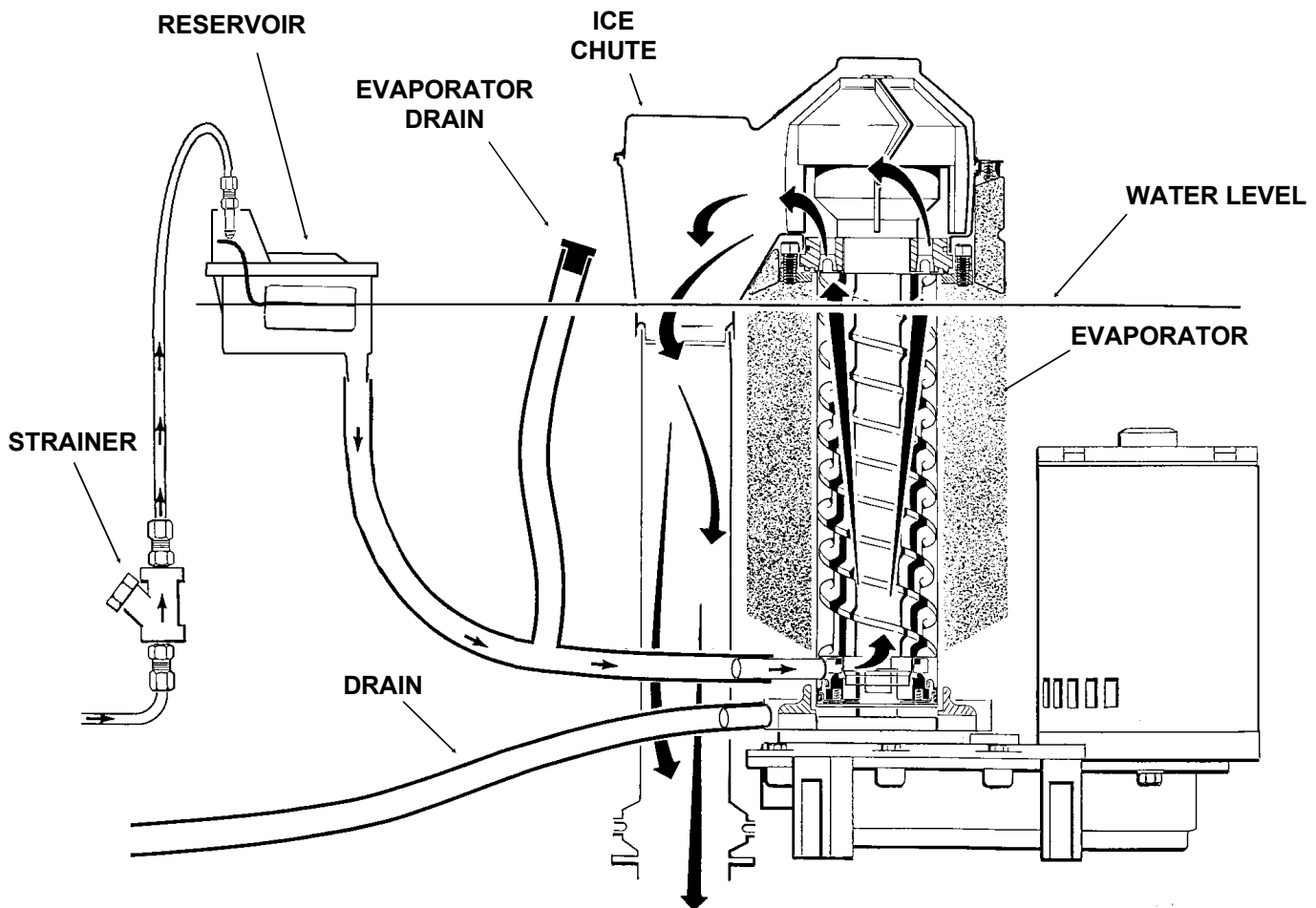
The water then goes out the bottom of the reservoir tank to the bottom of the evaporator.

Reservoir overflow or evaporator condensation is routed to the drain.

Water cooled models have a separate water circuit for the cooling water: it enters the fitting at the rear, goes to the water regulating valve, then to the water cooled condenser and then down the drain.

**Note:** The water level may be checked by comparing the level of water in the reservoir to the line molded into the side of the reservoir. The water level should be between 1/8" above and 1/4" below the line.

The water level may be adjusted by bending the arm of the float as needed.



**WATER SCHEMATIC**

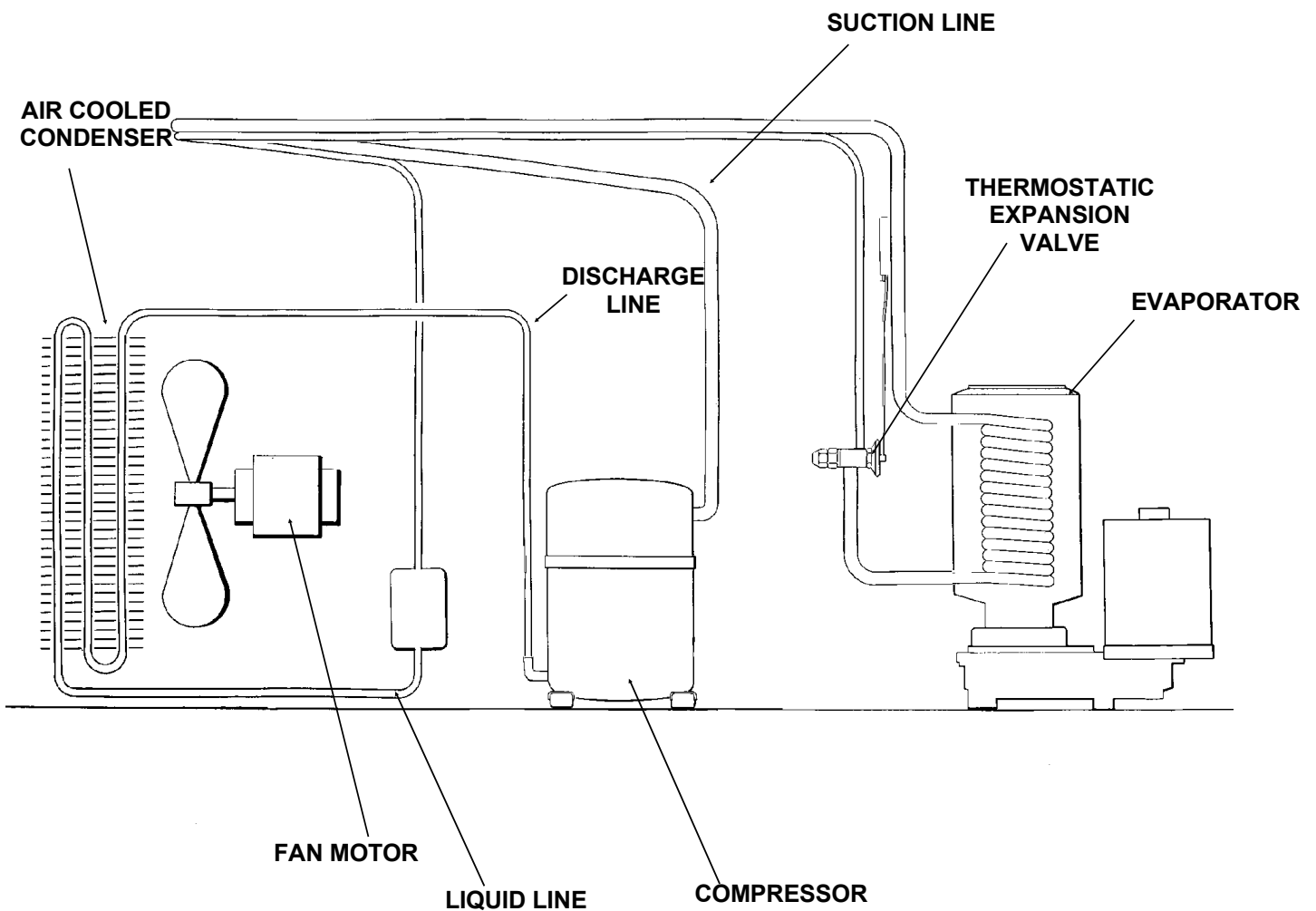
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## OPERATION: Refrigeration

Beginning at the compressor, the refrigerant is compressed into a high temperature gas. The discharge line directs this gas to the condenser. At the condenser (air or water cooled) the gas is cooled by either air or water and it then condenses into a liquid. This high pressure liquid then goes through the liquid line to the expansion valve. The thermostatic expansion valve meters liquid refrigerant into the evaporator, the volume of liquid refrigerant depending upon the temperature of the evaporator; warmer evaporators get more refrigerant and colder evaporators get less.

At the evaporator, the refrigerant enters an area of relatively low pressure, where it can easily "boil off" or evaporate. As it evaporates, it absorbs heat from the evaporator and whatever is in contact with it (such as the water inside it). After the evaporator, the refrigerant, now a low pressure vapor, goes through the suction line back to compressor, where the cycle is repeated.

**REFRIGERATION SYSTEM SCHEMATIC**



**CLEANING & SANITIZING**

A Scotsman Ice System represents a sizable investment of time and money in any company's business. In order to receive the best return for that investment, it **MUST** receive periodic maintenance.

It is the **USER'S RESPONSIBILITY** to see that the unit is properly maintained. It is always preferable, and less costly in the long run, to avoid possible down time by keeping it clean; adjusting it as needed; and by replacing worn parts before they can cause failure. The following is a list of recommended maintenance that will help keep the machine running with a minimum of problems.

Maintenance and Cleaning should be scheduled at a **minimum of twice per year.**

**Electrical power will be ON when doing in place cleaning.**

**ICEMAKING SYSTEM: In place cleaning**

1. Check and clean any water treatment devices, if any are installed.
2. Pull out and remove the front panel.
3. Move the ON-OFF switch to OFF.
4. Remove all the ice from the storage bin.
5. Remove the cover to the water reservoir and block the float up.
6. Drain the water reservoir and freezer assembly using the drain tube attached to the freezer water inlet. Return the drain tube to its normal upright position and replace the end cap.
7. Prepare the cleaning solution: Mix eight ounces of Scotsman Ice Machine Cleaner with three quarts of hot water. The water should be between 90-115 degrees F.

9. As the ice maker begins to use water from the reservoir, continue to add more cleaning solution to maintain a full reservoir.

10. After all of the cleaning solution has been added to the reservoir, and the reservoir is nearly empty, switch the master switch to OFF.

11. After draining the reservoir, as in step 6, wash and rinse the water reservoir.


**To Sanitize:**

Repeat steps 8-11, except use an approved sanitizing solution in place of the cleaning solution. A possible sanitizing solution may be made by mixing 1 ounce of household bleach to 2 gallons of warm (95°F. to 115°F.) water.

12. Remove the block from the float in the water reservoir.

13. Switch the master switch to ON

14. Continue ice making for at least 15 minutes, to flush out any cleaning solution. Check ice for acid taste - continue icemaking until ice tastes sweet.

	<p><b>▲WARNING</b></p> <p><b>Scotsman Ice Machine Cleaner contains acids. These compounds may cause burns.</b></p> <p>If swallowed, <b>DO NOT</b> induce vomiting. Give large amounts of water or milk. Call Physician immediately. In case of external contact, flush with water.</p> <p><b>KEEP OUT OF THE REACH OF CHILDREN.</b></p>
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**DO NOT USE any ice produced from the cleaning solution.**

**Be sure no ice remains in the bin.**

8. Slowly pour the cleaning solution into the water reservoir until it is full. Wait 15 minutes, then switch the master switch to ON.

15. Remove all ice from the storage bin.

16. Add warm water to the ice storage bin and thoroughly wash and rinse all surfaces within the bin.

17. Sanitize the bin interior with an approved sanitizer using the directions for that sanitizer.

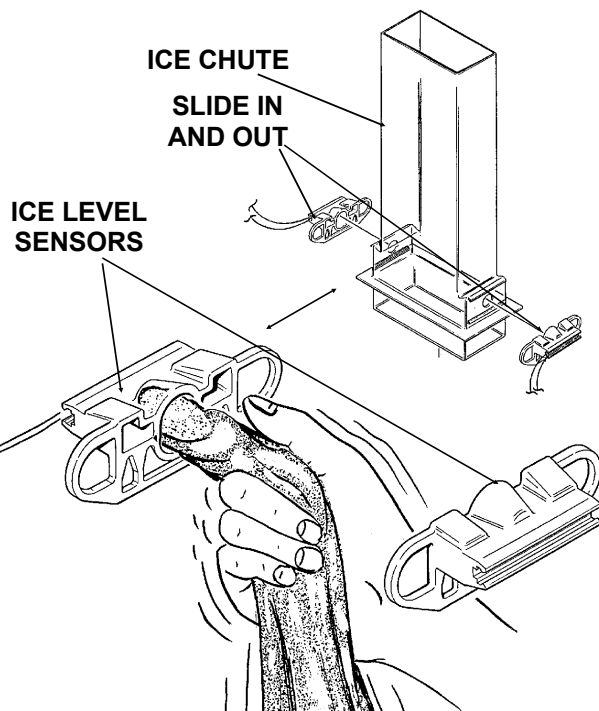
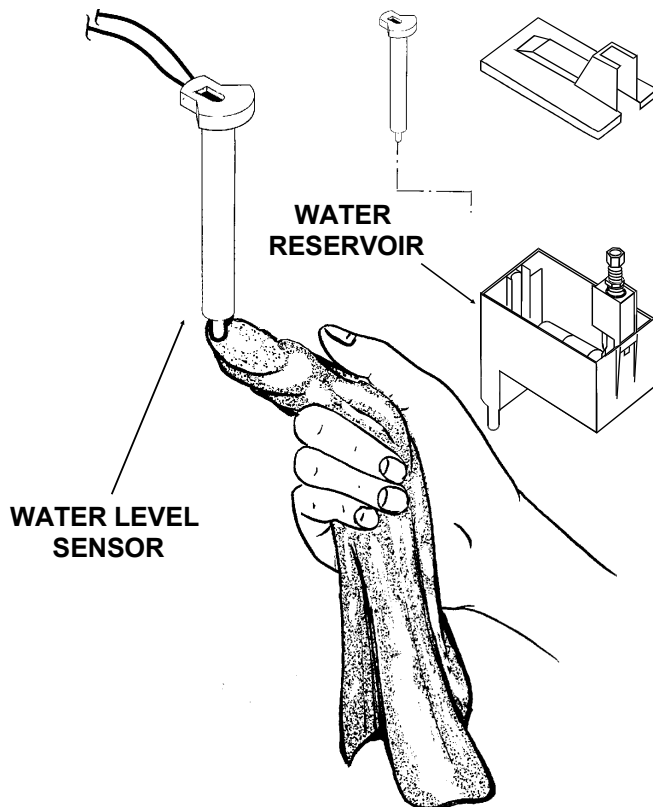
18. Replace the front panel.

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## MAINTENANCE

1. The bin control uses devices that sense light, therefore they must be kept clean enough so that they can "see". At least twice a year, remove the bin control sensors from the base of the ice chute, and wipe the inside clean, as illustrated.

2. The ice machine senses water level by a probe located in the water reservoir. At least twice a year, the probe should be removed from the reservoir, and the tip wiped clean of mineral build-up.



Inspect the assembly, looking for wear. See Removal and Replacement to replace bearing or seals. Reverse to reassemble.

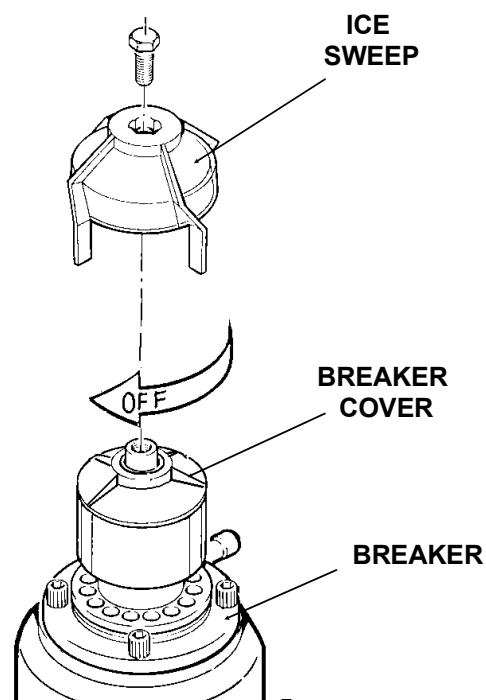
4. Clean or replace the air cooled condenser filter. Clean the air cooled condenser. Use a vacuum cleaner or coil cleaner if needed. Do NOT use a wire brush.

5. Check and tighten all bolts and screws.

3. The bearing in the breaker should also be checked at least **two times per year**.


Check the bearing by:

- removing the ice chute cover
- unscrewing the ice sweep
- removing the water shed
- unscrewing the breaker cover
- unscrewing the auger stud





## MAINTENANCE: Auger

	<p><b>⚠ WARNING</b></p>
<p><b>Hazardous Moving Parts.</b>          Moving auger can cause personal injury.          Disconnect electrical power before beginning.</p>	

In some installations the water supply to the icemaker will be so concentrated with dissolved minerals, (such as calcium carbonate) that as ice is made, the evaporator and auger become coated with the minerals, requiring a more frequent cleaning than twice per year. If in doubt about the condition of the evaporator and auger, the auger can be removed so the parts can be inspected.

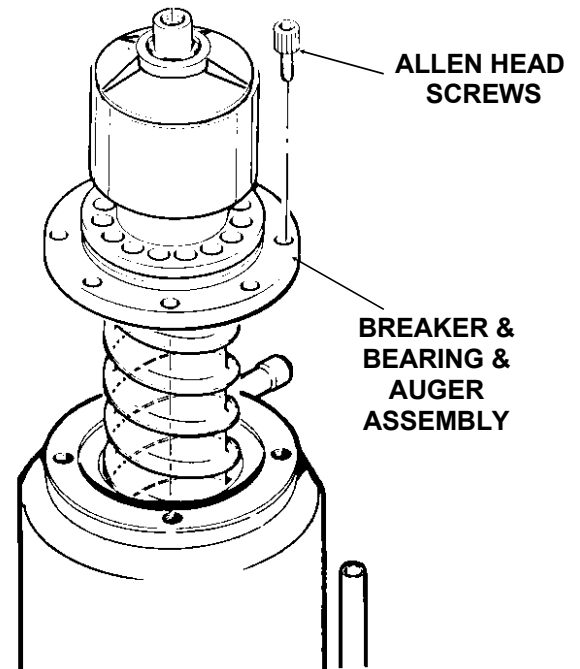
Note: Water filters can filter out suspended solids, but not dissolved solids. "Soft" water may not be the complete answer. Check with a water treatment specialist regarding water treatment.

**For more information on removal of these parts, see REMOVAL AND REPLACEMENT.**

1. To remove the auger, remove front and top panel.
2. Remove bail clamp holding ice chute cover to ice chute, and remove cover.
3. Unscrew and remove ice sweep.
4. Remove ice chute from evaporator.
5. Remove 4 allen head screws holding breaker to evaporator.
6. Pull up on breaker to remove auger.

Allow the auger to dry, the stainless steel of the auger and evaporator **must** be clean and bright. Clean the auger and evaporator as required. **DO NOT HONE THE EVAPORATOR.**

7. Replace the water seal.



8. Reverse to reassemble.

**Handle auger with care, it has sharp edges.**

### Air Cooled Models:

Clean the Air Filter and Condenser as needed to keep the machine operating efficiently. A minimum of 2 times per year is recommended.

1. Disconnect power.
2. Remove the right side service panel.
3. Remove the filter pad, wash it out with water and/or replace it.
4. Check the fins for dirt, clean as needed until light can be seen through the condenser.
5. Replace panel and reconnect power.

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## SERVICE DIAGNOSIS: Condition - No Ice Being Produced

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### STATUS: *NOTHING OPERATES*

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**A. Check: Voltage** to the unit, restore it if there is none. Compare to the nameplate.

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**B. Check:** The **master switch**, switch ON if off.

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**C. Check:** The **reset switches**, (high and low pressure): depress and release each switch. If the still does not start, check the high and the low side pressures.

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**D. Check the low pressure cut out**, if closed go to **E**, if it is open, it could be due to:

- Low refrigerant charge
  - The auger not turning
  - Restricted system
  - TXV not opening
1. Check the low side pressure, the low pressure cut out opens at pressure below 4 psig.

If open, reset and:

- a. Check if the **auger** is turning, if it is not, remove the **gearbox** and:  
Check for internal damage, repair and replace in the machine.
  - b. Check for low charge, add some refrigerant, if the unit will operate, (normal low side pressure being about 30-32 psig) stop and look for a leak, repair, replace the drier, evacuate, and weigh in the nameplate charge. If, with added charge, the unit does **not** operate:  
Check for a restricted system, replace the drier, evacuate, and weigh in a nameplate charge.  
Check for a **Thermostatic Expansion Valve** that does not open, if defective, replace it. Replace the drier, evacuate, and weigh in the nameplate charge.
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**E. Check the high pressure cut out**, if closed go to **F**, if open check:

1. The pressure control opens at 450 psig. **Check** the high side pressure, reset the control, and observe: on water cooled, that water soon begins to flow from the condenser drain; or, on air cooled, that the fan is forcing air through the condenser. If the unit trips out on pressures below 450 psig, replace the control. If the pressures rise above the trip out point, and the unit shuts down:

- a. Check for adequate water flow on water cooled, if adequate, clean the interior of the condenser. If the pressures are still too high replace the water regulating valve.
  - b. Check for adequate air flow on air cooled. Clean the condenser and (if used) the filter. If the air flow is poor because of the installation, advise the user that the unit should be moved, or the air around it kept cooler.  
Check the fan motor for tight bearings and proper rotation.  
Check that the fan blades are clean, and the fan secure to the fan motor shaft.
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**F. Check the water level** in the reservoir. The machine will not run if there is not enough water in the reservoir.

1. Restore/adjust water level. See the next step.

**SERVICE DIAGNOSIS: Condition - No Ice Being Produced**

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**STATUS: NOTHING OPERATES**

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**G. Check:** The gear **motor**, if it will not run, the compressor will not run. If no power to it:

Check: The **indicator lights** on the circuit board, the **bin empty** light should be ON, the **no water** light should be OFF .

1. If the **bin empty** and **no water** lights are off, check the **transformer**.
  - a. Transformer "load" side should have 12 to 15 volts. If not, check the "line" side. The line side should have between 208-230 volts. If the line side has the correct voltage and the load side does not, replace the transformer.
2. If the transformer is good, and the **bin empty** light is OFF, check the **ice level sensors**.
  - a. Remove sensors by sliding them sideways out of the ice chute. Visually inspect them, clean if needed.
  - b. Look through the ice chute "eye" hole for something blocking the ice chute.
  - c. If the unit still does not run, replace the ice level sensors.
  - d. If the bin empty light is still OFF, check the **circuit board**.
    1. Unplug "opto trans" and "LED" connectors from the circuit board.
    2. Plug "opto trans" and "LED" connectors from the Scotsman Electronic Control Tester Model NM1 into the circuit board.
      - a. Move the "bin full" switch on the tester to the full position. The bin full light on the tester should be ON, if not, replace the circuit board.  
If the bin full light on the tester is ON, move the tester switch to "bin empty" the light on the tester should go OFF and the bin empty light on the circuit board should go ON. If not, replace the circuit board. If it does as above, and the machine still does not run, replace the ice level sensors.
3. If the transformer is fine, and the "no water" light is ON, check the **water level sensor**.
  - a. Check the water level in the **reservoir**, restore if low. If the water level is ok:
  - b. Remove the water level sensor from the reservoir and clean the tip if dirty.  
**CAUTION: THE TIP IS MADE OF GLASS**
  - c. Replace the water level sensor. If the no water light is still on, check that the "water sen" plug is firmly plugged into the circuit board.
  - d. If the no water light is still on,
    1. Unplug the "water sen" connector from the circuit board.
    2. Plug "water sen" connector from the Scotsman Electronic Control tester into the circuit board.
      - a. Move the water switch on the tester to "no water" and the no water light on the circuit board should go on. If not, replace the board.
      - b. Move the water switch to the "water" position, the no water light should go off, if not, replace the circuit board.
      - c. If after the above, the machine still will not run, replace the water level sensor

**MORE INFORMATION ON THE TESTER MAY BE FOUND ON THE LAST PAGES OF THE MANUAL.**

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## SERVICE DIAGNOSIS: Condition - No Ice Being Produced

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### **STATUS: *GEARMOTOR OPERATES, COMPRESSOR DOES NOT***

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#### **A. Check the compressor relay.**

The relay is on the circuit board, if it does not supply power to the contactor coil, the compressor will not run.

1. Check for power at the contactor coil, if none:

a. Check for power at the compressor relay at the circuit board.

If there is power at the relay, but none at the contactor coil,

Check for an open wire between the relay and the contactor.

2. Check the contactor coil. If the coil is open, replace the contactor.

3. Check the auger drive motor centrifugal switch. If, when the drive motor is running, contact 4 (black wire removed) has no power, and all of the above switches have been checked, replace the centrifugal switch, or the drive motor.

4. If the compressor relay on the circuit board has power on the NO contact, but not on the COM contact, replace the circuit board.

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#### **B. Check the compressor**

1. Check the compressor start relay.

2. Check the start capacitor.

3. Check the windings of the compressor for open windings or shorts to ground.

Replace those items found defective.

**SERVICE DIAGNOSIS: Condition - Low Ice Production**

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**STATUS: *EVERYTHING IS OPERATING***

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**A.** Check the air cooled condenser for dirt. Clean as required. Check the head pressure on water cooled. Adjust as required. If the head pressure is very high:

1. Air cooled. Check for high air temperatures, or restrictive air flow. Correct as needed.
2. Water cooled. Check for high water temperatures, or low water pressure. Correct as needed.
3. The refrigerant may contain non condensable gases, purge, evacuate, and recharge per nameplate.

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**B.** Check the evaporator

1. Clean the evaporator, the mineral build up will adversely affect the ice machines production.
2. Check the evaporator for water leaks, replace the water seal if found to be leaking.
3. Check the low side pressure; normal is about 30-32 psig. If low, assume a refrigerant leak, locate, repair and recharge.

If no leak, the TXV may be restricted, defective or not adjusted properly. If needed, replace the TXV, evacuate, and recharge per nameplate.

4. Check the insulation on the evaporator. It should be dry, with no wet spots or frost. If the insulation has failed: replace the evaporator or add extra insulation in the form of foam tape to the evaporator.

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**C.** Check the compressor.

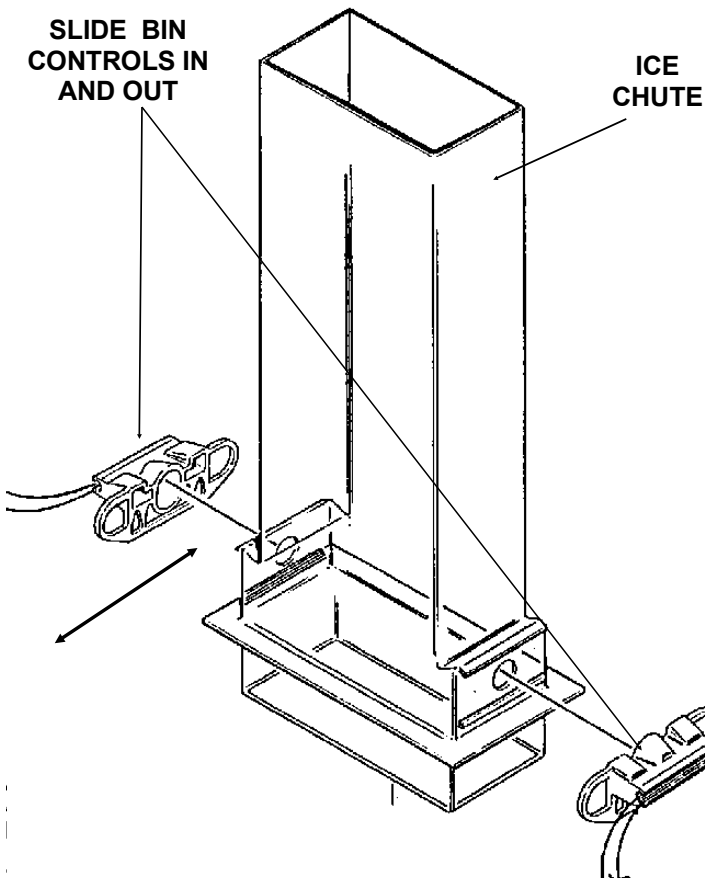
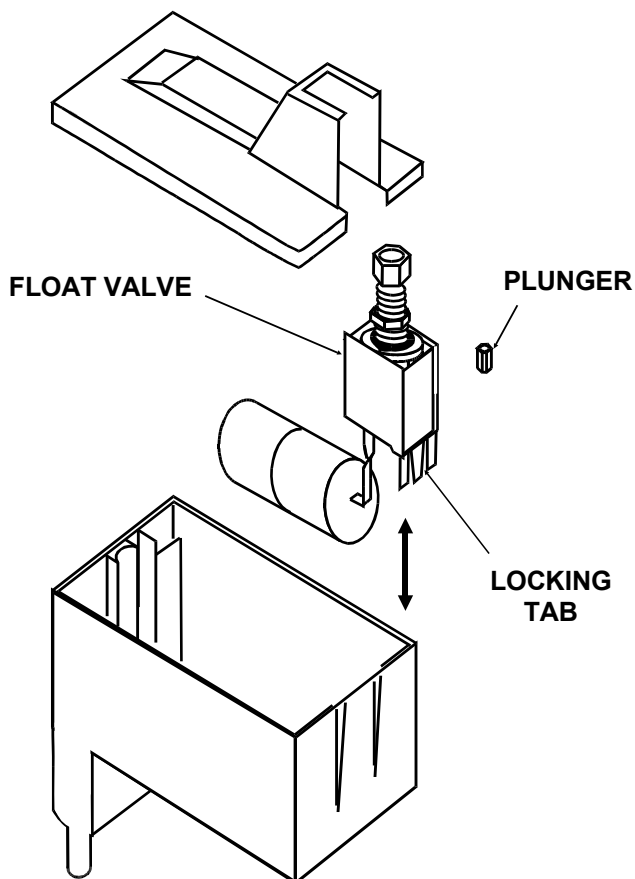
1. The compressor may be inefficient.
  - a. Check the amp draw, normal is about 5.7 to 6.4. If low change the compressor.
  - b. if the amp draw is normal, pinch off the suction line to check the pull down capability of the compressor. The compressor should pull down to 25 inches of vacuum and hold there for three to five minutes

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## REMOVAL AND REPLACEMENT: Water Reservoir & Bin Control

### WATER RESERVOIR

1. Shut off the water supply to the icemaker.
  2. Remove front panel and reservoir cover.
  3. Disconnect water inlet compression fitting at reservoir inlet.
  4. To remove float valve, push in on locking tab and lift float valve out of reservoir tank.
- Note: there is a plunger inside the float valve that is available separately.
5. To remove reservoir, remove drain hose from reservoir.
  6. Remove evaporator inlet hose from reservoir.
  7. Remove mounting screws from reservoir bracket, and remove reservoir from icemaker.
  8. Reverse to reassemble.

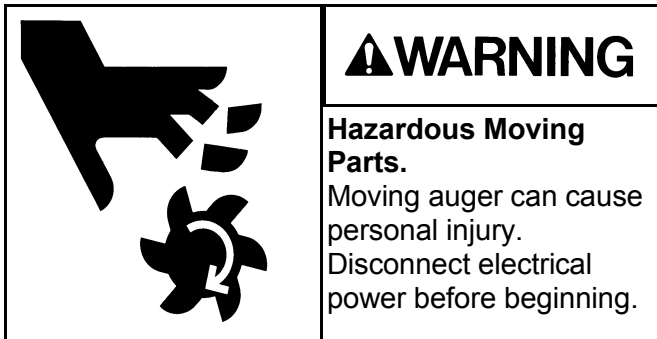


### BIN CONTROLS (Ice Level Sensors)

1. Disconnect electrical power.
2. Remove front panel.
3. Remove control box cover.
4. Locate ice chute, at the base of the chute, in front of and behind it are two plastic bin control mounts.
5. Slide each bin control to the left, and in the control box, disconnect the electrical leads connecting the bin control to the circuit board.
6. Reverse to reassemble, be certain that the bin controls are aligned so that the ice level sensors are visible (centered) through the holes in the cube chute.

## REMOVAL AND REPLACEMENT: Bearing And Breaker

Note: Removal of the auger, water seal, evaporator and gearmotor must begin at the top of the assembly.



### To Remove the Breaker Bearing Assembly:

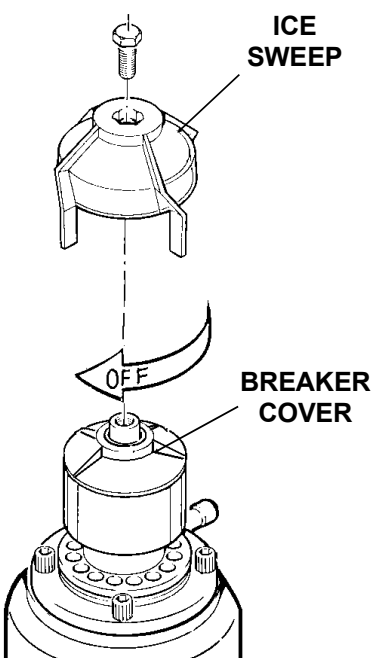
1. Remove panels and disconnect electrical power.
2. Push back bail clamp and remove ice chute cover.
3. Unscrew and remove ice sweep.
4. Remove insulation halves from outside of ice chute, loosen band clamp under ice chute, lift up and remove ice chute.
5. The breaker may be removed from the auger and evaporator without disturbing the auger.
  - a. Unscrew breaker cover from breaker (left hand threads)
  - b. Unscrew auger stud from top of auger.

- c. Unscrew 4 allen head cap screws holding breaker to evaporator.
  - d. Lift up, and remove breaker/bearing assembly from auger & evaporator.
  6. Service the bearing. Check for rust, rough spots and damage.
    - a. The bearing is pressed into the breaker, to remove the bearing and replace it an arbor press is needed.
    - b. Replace lower seals before installing new bearing in breaker.
- Note: seals must be pressed in with a tool pushing against the outer edge only, they will not install by hand.

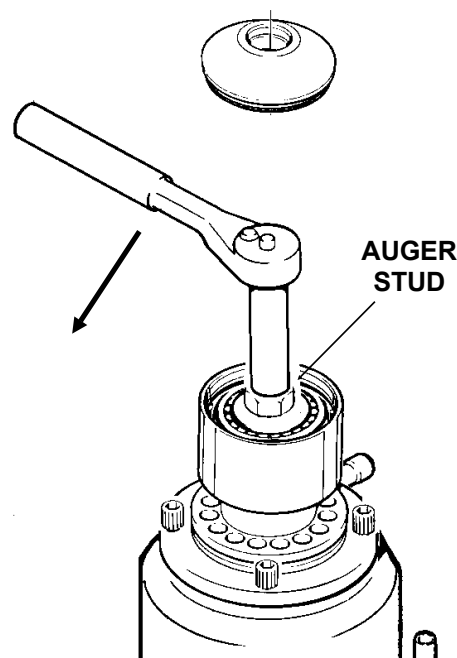
Replace parts as required. Re-grease bearing with Scotsman part no. A29123-001 bearing grease. Replace top seal, and check the o-rings, replace if cut or torn.

7. Reverse to reassemble: specific tools and materials are required to install properly.
  - a. Add food grade grease such as Scotsman part number 19-0569-01 to the seal area before installing on the auger.
  - b. Check the seal to shaft areas for cuts, or rough spots: none are permitted.

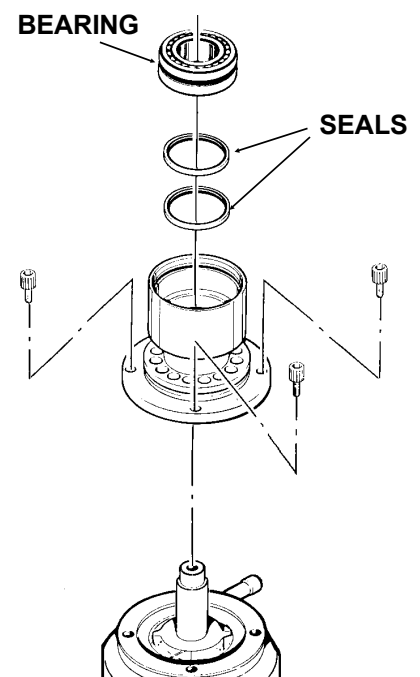
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Step 5-b



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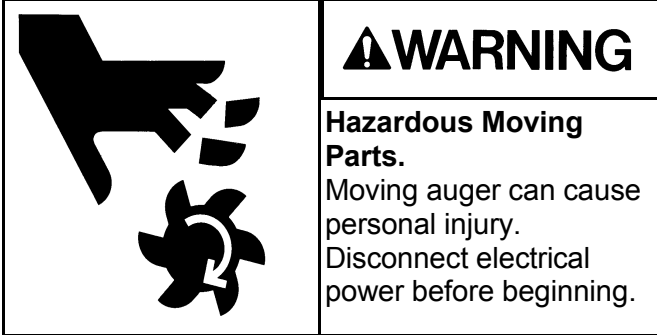


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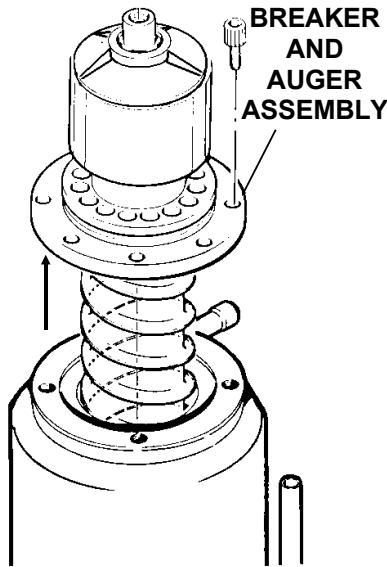
## REMOVAL AND REPLACEMENT: Auger

### To Remove the Auger:

Turn off the water to the machine, and unclip the evaporator drain hose, pull it down and drain the evaporator into the bin or a container.



1. The top panel must be removed.
2. Push bail clamp off of ice chute cover, remove ice chute cover.
3. Unscrew ice sweep.



4. Remove ice chute body.
5. The auger and breaker/bearing may now be removed as an assembly.
  - a. Unscrew 4 allen head cap screws holding breaker to evaporator.
  - b. Lift up on breaker and remove auger from evaporator.

*Note: If the auger is stuck, the breaker must be removed from the auger.*

The breaker may be removed from the auger and evaporator without disturbing the auger.

- a. Unscrew breaker cover from breaker (left hand threads)
- b. Unscrew auger stud from top of auger.
- c. Unscrew 4 allen head cap screws holding breaker to evaporator.
- d. Lift up and remove breaker from evaporator.

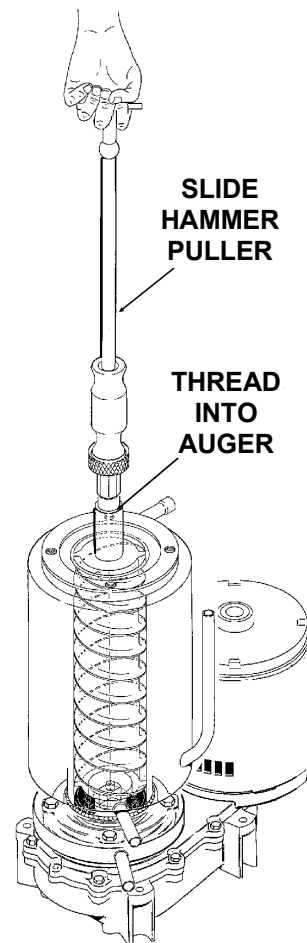
e. If the auger is stuck use a slide hammer type puller to pull on the auger at the threaded hole. The size of that hole is 5/8"-18.

Inspect the auger, the critical areas of the auger are:

1. The auger body. It should be clean and shining. Sometimes an auger will appear clean when wet, but after it is dry it will be seen to be stained. Scrub the auger with ice machine cleaner and hot water.

**Ice machine cleaner is an acid. Handle it with extreme care, keep out of the reach of children.**

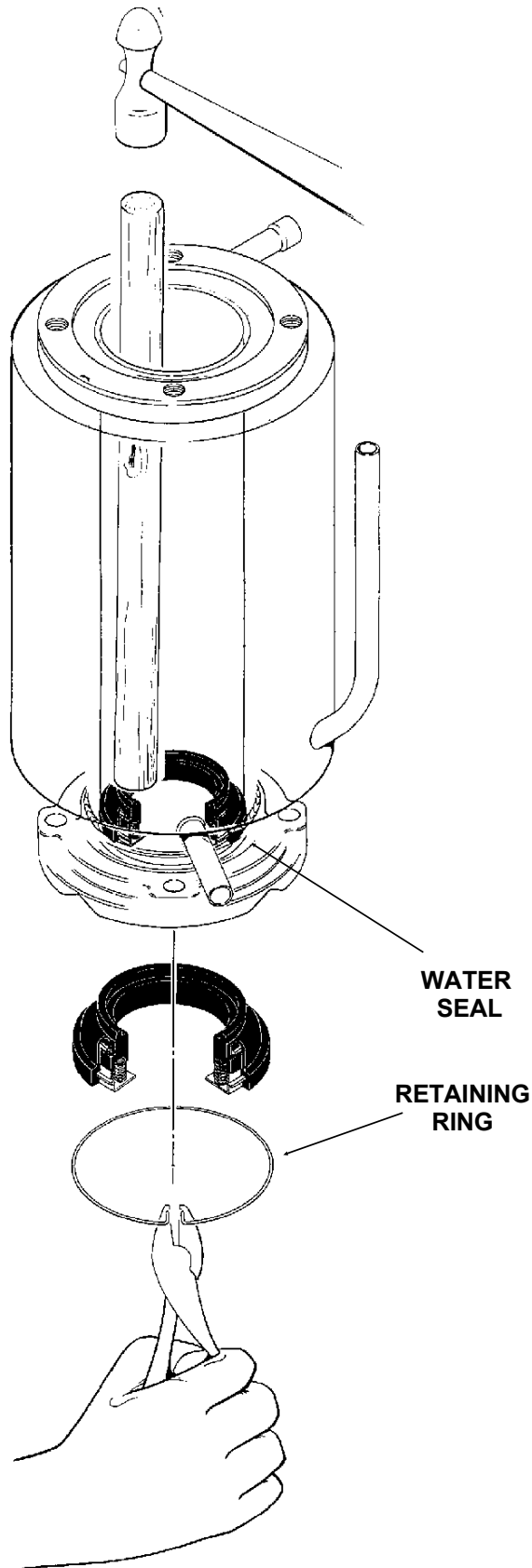
2. The water seal area. Because the auger has been removed, the water seal will have to be replaced. Remove the water seal top half from the auger, and inspect the auger for minerals clean as required.





**REMOVAL AND REPLACEMENT: Water Seal**

**REMOVAL OF THE WATER SEAL**



**To Remove the Water Seal:**

(Assuming all steps to remove the auger have been performed.)

1. The gearmotor/evaporator assembly will have to be exposed.
2. Remove the 4 hex head cap screws holding the evaporator to the gearmotor assembly. Lift the evaporator up and off of the gearmotor.
3. Remove the snap ring or wire retainer from the groove under the water seal.
4. Pull or drive out the lower half of the water seal.

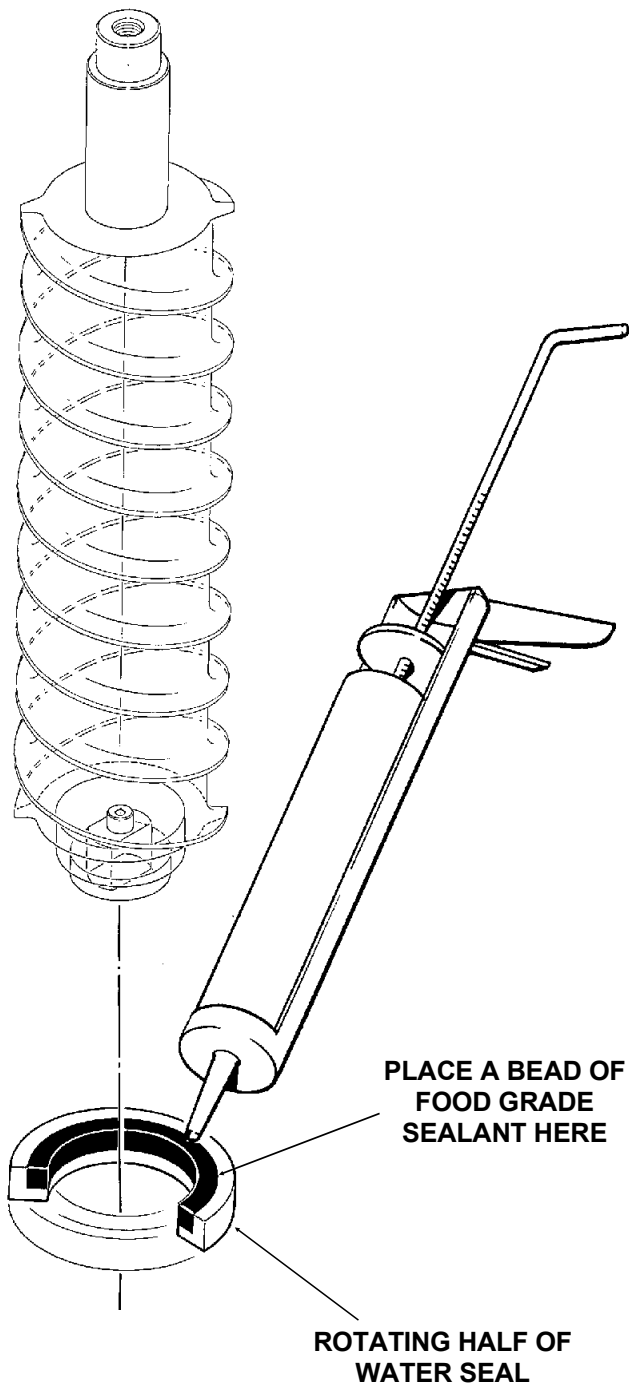
**To Replace the Water Seal:**

1. Lubricate the water seal with water, and push the water seal into the bottom of the evaporator slightly past the groove for the snap ring.
2. Replace the snap ring and pull the water seal down against it.
3. The part of the water seal that rotates with the auger must also be replaced. Remove the old part from the auger and clean the mounting area.
4. Place a small bead of food grade silastic sealant (such as 732 RTV or Scotsman part number 19-0529-01) on the area of the auger where the water seal is to be mounted.
5. Carefully push the water seal (rubber side against the auger shoulder and the silastic.)  
 //CAUTION//  
 Do not get any silastic onto the face of the seal.  
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6. Allow the auger and seal to air dry until the silastic is dry on the surface.
7. If the original water seal was leaking, it would be a good idea to inspect the interior of the gearmotor.

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## REMOVAL AND REPLACEMENT: Evaporator

### REPLACING THE WATER SEAL



### To Replace the Evaporator:

(Assuming all the steps for removal of the thrust bearing, breaker, auger, and water seal have been performed.)

1. Recover the refrigerant from the ice maker.
2. Unsweat the refrigerant connections:
  - a) At the thermostatic expansion valve outlet.

//////////////////////////////////**CAUTION**//////////////////////////////////

**Heat sink the TXV body when unsweating or resweating the adjacent tubing.**

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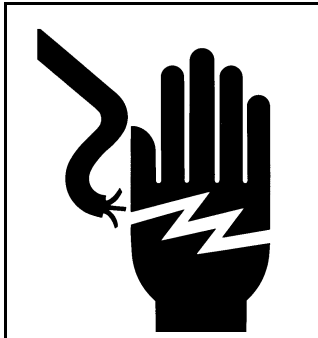
- b) At the suction line at the joint about 3" from the evaporator.

3. Remove the evaporator.
4. Unsweat the drier from the liquid line.
5. After installing a new water seal in the new evaporator (see "To Replace the Water Seal") sweat in the new evaporator at the old connections.
6. Install an new drier in the liquid line.
7. Evacuate the system until dehydrated, then weigh in the nameplate charge. Check for leaks.
8. Install auger, breaker, breaker bearing assembly, and ice discharge chute in reverse order of disassembly. See "To Reassemble Evaporator and Auger"

### To Reassemble the Evaporator and Auger

1. After the gearmotor has been inspected, fasten the evaporator to the gear motor, be sure that the number of shims indicated on the gear case cover is in place between the gearcase cover and the drip pan gasket. Torque the bolts to 110 inch pounds.
2. Lower the auger into the evaporator barrel, slightly turning it to match up with the drive end. Do Not Drop Into the Evaporator.
3. Complete the reassembly by reversing the disassembly for the breaker & thrust bearing assembly.

## REMOVAL AND REPLACEMENT: Gearmotor



### ⚠ WARNING

#### Electrical Shock Hazard.

Electrical power can cause personal injury. Disconnect electrical power before beginning.

#### To Remove and Repair the Gearmotor Assembly:

(Assuming that the procedures through removal of the water seal have been performed.)

1. Remove the electrical wires from the gear drive motor.
2. Unscrew the 4 cap screws holding the gearmotor to the gearmotor plate.
3. Remove the gearmotor from the icemaker.

#### To Inspect the gearmotor.

A) Remove the cap screws holding the gearmotor case halves together and pry the two cases apart.

B) To lift off the cover, lift up until you can feel internal contact, then pull the cover towards the output gear end, and then lift the cover (with drive motor attached) up and away from the gear motor case.

Note: The case cover output gear, bearings, and shaft are one pressed together assembly. Replace as a unit.

C) Inspect the oil, gears, and bearings. If the oil level and condition is acceptable, quickly check the gears and bearings. They are likely to be fine if the oil is.

If there is evidence of water in the oil (rusty bearings and gears; the

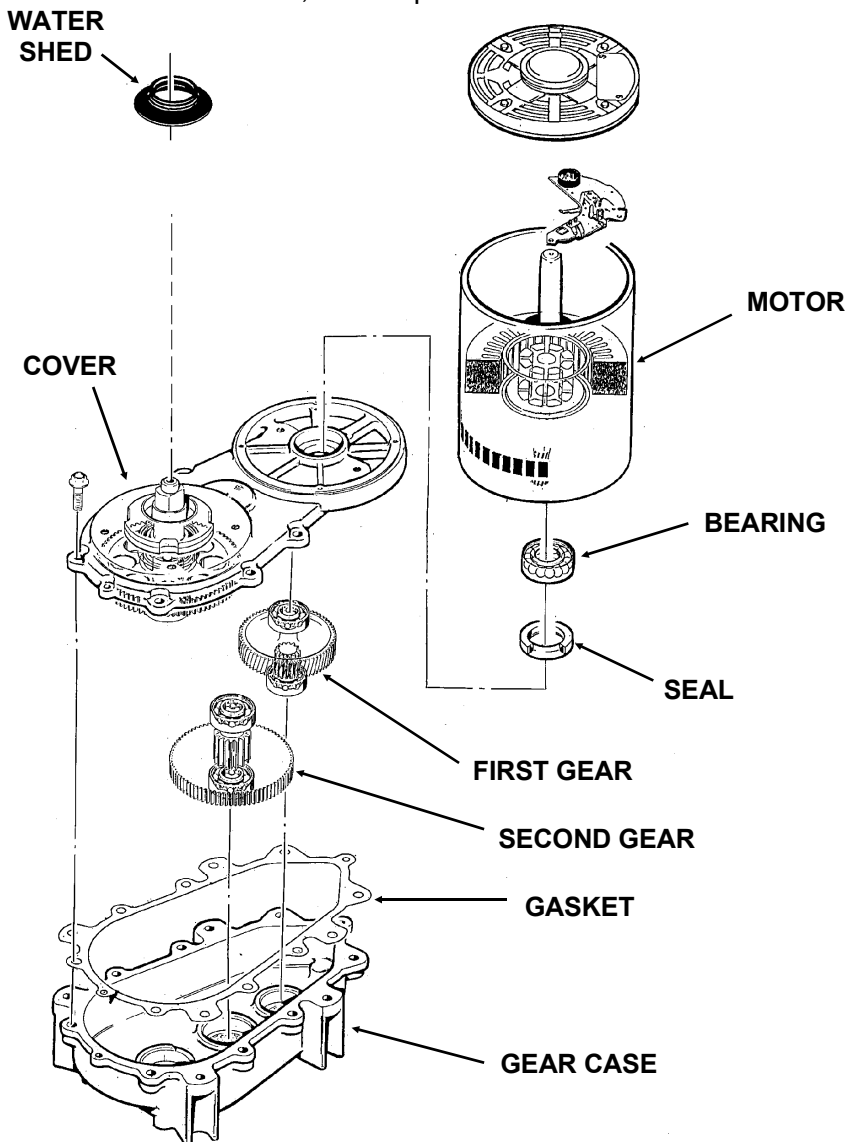
oil having a creamy white appearance; oil level too high) carefully inspect the bearings and gears. If in doubt about the condition of a part, replace it. The oil quantity is 14 fluid ounces, do not overfill.

Note: The gears and bearings are available only as pressed together sets.

D) After replacing parts as required, (if any) reassemble the gearcase. The two smaller gears and the oil should be in the lower case, the output gear will be with the cover. As you lower the cover onto the lower case, cover will have to be moved closer to the second gear after the output gear has cleared the second gear top bearing.

E) After the case is together, and the locating pins are secure in both ends, replace all cap screws.

4. Bench test the gearmotor, check for oil leaks, noise, and amp draw.



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## REFRIGERATION SERVICE: R-404a

**THIS ICE MACHINE USES R-404a (HP62)  
REFRIGERANT AND POLYOLESTER  
COMPRESSOR OIL.**

**DO NOT USE MINERAL OIL IN THIS  
REFRIGERATION SYSTEM.**

- HP62 is a "Near Azeotrope", and therefore liquid charging is preferred.
- When the system is serviced, a special liquid line dryer is required.
- Polyolester oil absorbs water very easily, and therefore when the system is opened for service, it must be re-sealed as soon as possible (15 minutes maximum).
- Special leak detection equipment is required to locate small refrigerant leaks. Usually a leak detector capable of detecting a Halogenated refrigerant or HFC-134A will work. Check with the leak detector manufacturer if in doubt.
- As with any other refrigerant, do NOT mix HP62 with pressurized air when leak testing.

### Pressure-Temperature Chart for HP62

VAPOR		VAPOR	
TEMP.	PRESSURE	TEMP.	PRESSURE
(DEG F)	(PSIG)	(DEG F)	(PSIG)
-20	17	70	146
-18	18	72	150
-16	20	74	155
-14	21	76	161
-12	23	78	166
-10	24	80	171
-8	26	82	177
-6	28	84	182
-4	29	86	188
-2	31	88	194
0	33	90	200
2	35	92	206
4	37	94	212
6	39	96	219
8	41	98	225
10	43	100	232
12	46	102	239
14	48	104	246
16	50	106	253
18	53	108	260
20	55	110	268
22	58	112	275
24	60	114	283
26	63	116	291
28	66	118	299
30	69	120	307
32	72	122	316
34	75	124	324
36	78	126	333
38	81	128	342
40	85	130	351
42	88	132	360
44	91	134	370
46	95	136	379
48	99	138	389
50	102	140	399
52	106	142	409
54	110	144	420
56	114	146	430
58	118	148	441
60	123	150	452
62	127	152	464
64	132	154	475
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68	141	158	499

## REFRIGERATION SERVICE

### General Information:

Work on the refrigeration system should only be done when it is certain that the system needs repair.

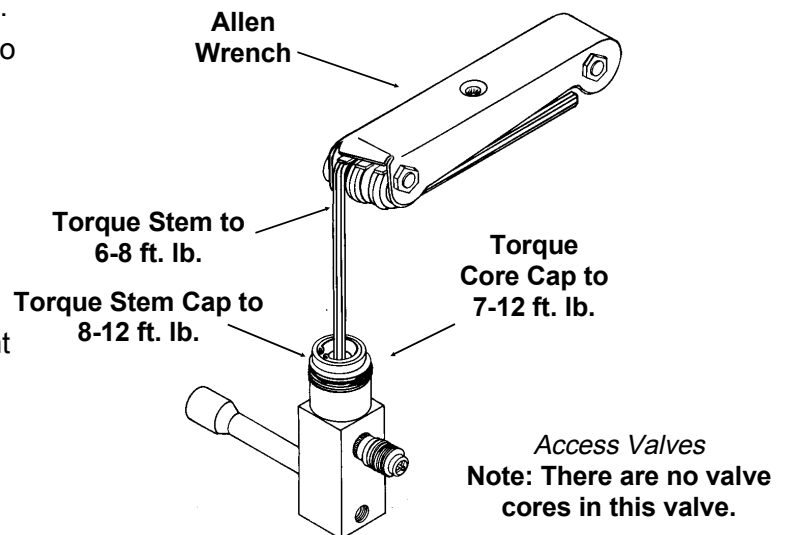
- **Refrain from checking refrigeration pressures without reason.** Visual inspection of the water system, observation of the ice formation, amp draw, voltage, and other techniques will lead to proper diagnosis. Scotsman also recommends that, at the time of initial start up, gauges not be used.
- If gauges must be used, don't always check the high side pressure. If the condenser is clean and seems to be operating correctly, it most likely is. The low side pressure is more important on an ice machine than the high side.
- If gauges must be used, use very short hoses to minimize refrigerant discharged into the air.
- Refrigerant should not be added except as a way to determine the proper operation of the product. If the system was low on refrigerant, there is a leak, and it must be found and repaired.
- This system has a critical charge, it must be recharged with the correct amount of refrigerant as listed on the nameplate of the ice machine, or performance will suffer.
- Anytime the refrigeration system has been opened, the dryer should be replaced. **Note: Only a HFC type dryer should be used.**
- When brazing the tubing connections to components such as the TXV, the component must be protected by heat sink material.

**Recover, reclaim or recycle refrigerant.** The method chosen is up to the service company. Any refrigerant placed into a Scotsman ice machine must meet ARI spec 700-88. Reclaim programs are available through most refrigerant wholesalers.

**Access Valves:** To use the access valves:


Remove the cap from the stem, use a 3/16" allen wrench to check that the valve is CLOSED. Then remove the core cap.

**Close the valve and replace the caps when the job is finished. The valve must be closed and the caps must be on or the valve will leak.**



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## CIRCUIT BOARD TESTING

	<b>⚠ WARNING</b>
	<b>Electrical Shock Hazard.</b> Electrical power can cause personal injury. Disconnect electrical power before connecting tester.

### INSTRUCTIONS FOR USING TESTER, (Optional, order part no. A33942-001)

(These instructions assume that the unit **will not run**, and prior investigation of electric power, controls, and mechanical parts indicates that the electronic circuit may be at fault.)

If the "NO WATER" indicator is lit, but inspection shows that the water level in the reservoir is above the top of the water level sensor, OR the "BIN EMPTY" indicator is off while inspection shows that the ice level sensors are properly aligned, clean and not obstructed, use the tester as follows:

**Bin Control Note:** All testing is done with the electrical power on, the master switch on, and all reset switches "reset".

1. Unplug "photo trans" and "LED" connectors from the circuit board.

2. Plug "photo trans" and "LED" connectors from the tester into the circuit board.

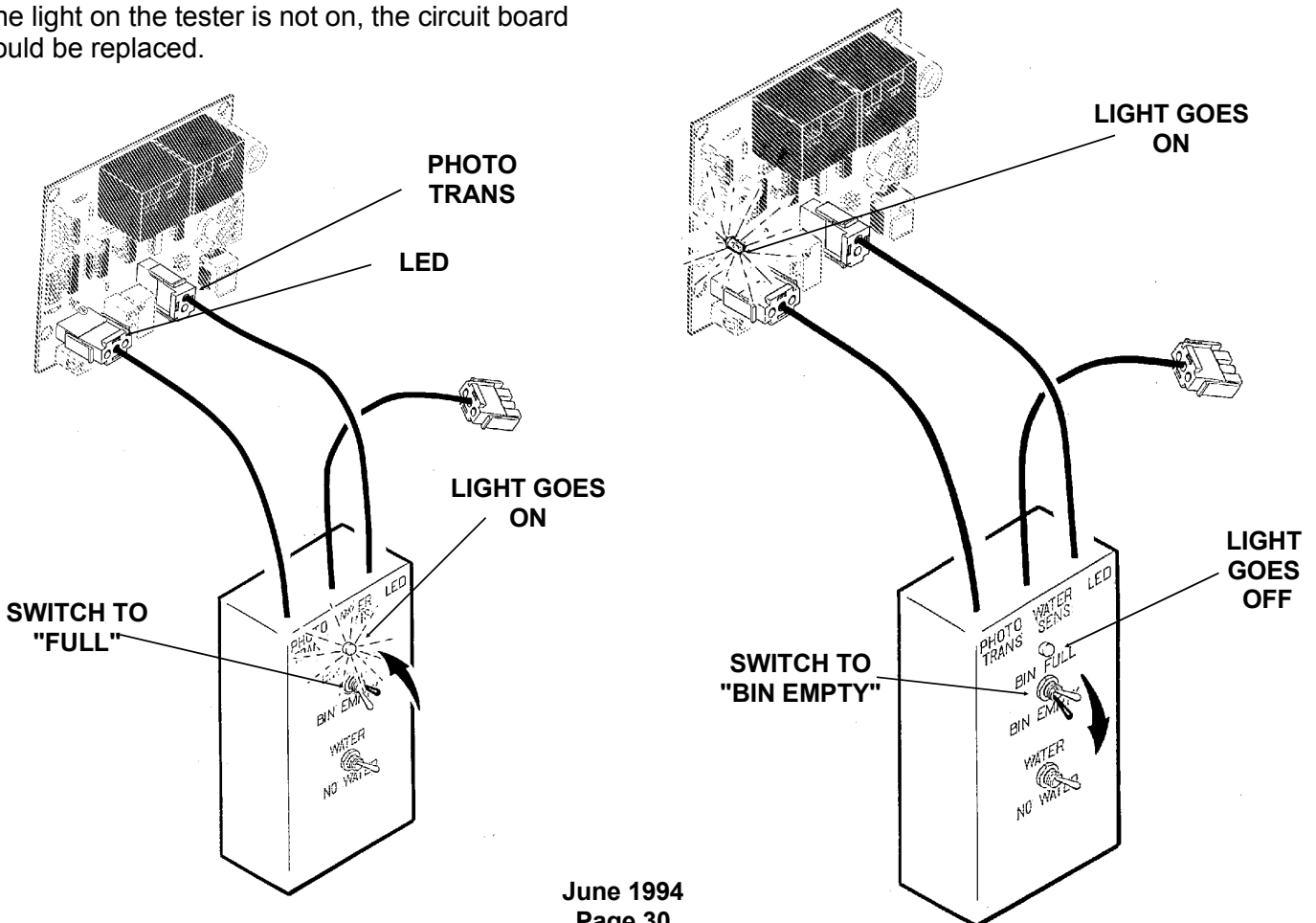
a. Move the "bin full" switch on the tester to Full. The light on the tester should be ON.

If the light on the tester is not on, the circuit board should be replaced.

b. If the light on the tester IS on, move the "bin full" switch to Bin Empty. The light on the tester should go OFF, and the Bin Empty light on the circuit board should go ON.

If the Bin Empty light is ON, wait 10-20 seconds for the machine to start, if the machine starts, replace the ice level sensors.

If the Bin Empty light does not come ON, the circuit board should be replaced.



## CIRCUIT BOARD TESTING

### Water Level

1. Unplug "water sen" connector from control board.

2. Plug "water sen" connector from Scotsman tester into circuit board.

a. Move "water" switch on tester to No Water position. The No Water light on the circuit board should go ON. If not, replace the circuit board.

b. Move the "water" switch on the tester to the Water position. The No Water light on the board should go OFF. If not replace the circuit board. If the light does go off, replace the water level sensor. If the Bin Empty light is ON, wait 10-20 seconds for the machine to start. The machine should start.

