Basic safety precautions should always be followed, including the following: Failure to follow instructions can cause severe injury and/or death.

⚠️ This is the safety-alert symbol. When you see this symbol on your equipment or in this manual, look for one of the following signal words and be alert to the potential for personal injury.

⚠️ **WARNING** warns about hazards that could cause serious personal injury, death or major property damage and if ignored presents a potential hazard.

⚠️ **CAUTION** warns about hazards that will or can cause minor or moderate personal injury and/or property damage and if ignored presents a potential hazard. It can also make consumers aware of actions that are unpredictable and unsafe.

The **NOTICE** label indicates special instructions that are important but not related to hazards.

**SAVE THIS INSTRUCTION MANUAL**

Use only High Rate Sand No. 20 Silica Sand (.45mm - .55mm)

**HAYWARD POOL PRODUCTS**

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**WARNING** READ, UNDERSTAND, AND FOLLOW ALL SAFETY AND OPERATION INSTRUCTIONS. FAILURE TO FOLLOW SAFETY AND OPERATION INSTRUCTIONS CAN RESULT IN SEVERE PERSONAL INJURY OR DEATH.

**WARNING – SUCTION ENTRAPMENT HAZARD.**
Suction in suction outlets and/or suction outlet covers that are, damaged, broken, cracked, missing, or unsecured can cause severe injury and/or death due to the following entrapment hazards:

- **Hair Entrapment** - Hair can become entangled in suction outlet cover.
- **Limb Entrapment** - A limb inserted into an opening of a suction outlet sump or suction outlet cover that is damaged, broken, cracked, missing, or not securely attached can result in a mechanical bind or swelling of the limb.
- **Body Suction Entrapment** - A negative pressure applied to a large portion of the body or limbs can result in an entrapment.
- **Evisceration/ Disembowelment Entrapment** - A negative pressure applied directly to the intestines through an unprotected suction outlet sump or suction outlet cover that is damaged, broken, cracked, missing, or unsecured can result in evisceration/ disembowelment entrapment.
- **Mechanical Entrapment** - There is potential for jewelry, swimsuit, hair decorations, finger, toe, or knuckle to be caught in an opening of a suction outlet cover resulting in mechanical entrapment.

**WARNING** TO REDUCE THE RISK OF ENTRAPMENT HAZARDS:
- A minimum of two functioning suction outlets per pump must be installed. Suction outlets in the same plane (i.e. floor or wall), must be installed a minimum of three feet (3') [1 meter] apart, as measured from near point to near point.
- Dual suction fittings shall be placed in such locations and distances to avoid “dual blockage” by a user.
- Dual suction fittings shall not be located on seating areas or on the backrest for such seating areas.
- The flow system shall be designed to comply with the flow rating of ASME/ANSI A112.19.8-2007 and ANSI/APSP-7 2006.
- Never use Pool or Spa if any suction outlet component (cover/grate) is damaged, broken, cracked, missing, or not securely attached.
- Replace damaged, broken, cracked, missing, or not securely attached suction outlet components immediately.
- Installation of a vacuum release system, which relieves entrapping suction, is recommended.
- Failure to remove pressure test plugs and/or plugs used in winterization of the pool/spa from the suction outlets can result in an increased potential for suction entrapment.
- Failure to keep suction outlet components clear of debris, such as leaves, dirt, hair, paper and other material can result in an increased potential for suction entrapment.
- Suction outlet covers and grates have a finite life. They should be inspected frequently and replaced periodically.

**WARNING** COMPONENT SEPARATION HAZARD
Pool and spa water circulation systems operate under hazardous pressure during start up, normal operation, and possibly after pump shut off. Pressure in system can cause violent separation of the pump and/or filter components if safety and operation instructions are not followed. Component separation can result in severe personal injury or death.

- Do not operate water circulation system if a system component is assembled improperly, damaged, missing, or not a genuine Hayward component.
- Before performing maintenance on the water circulation system, verify all system and pump controls are in OFF position and filter manual air relief valve is in the OPEN position.
- Before starting the system pump, verify that all system valves are set in a position to allow water from the filter to return back to the pool.
- Before starting the system pump, the manual air relief valve must be in the OPEN position.
- When starting system pump, stand at least 10 feet away from filter.
- Return to filter to close manual air relief valve only when a steady stream of water (Not air or air and water mix) is discharged from the manual air relief valve.
- Do not change filter control valve position while system pump is running.
**WARNING** EXCESS PRESSURE HAZARD
Pressure testing of the pump and filter system in excess of the 30 PSI can cause violent separation of the components. Component separation can result in severe personal injury or death.

**WARNING** ELECTROCUTION HAZARD
High Voltage electricity is present in the pool and spa equipment. High voltage electricity can cause shock and electrocution. Shock and electrocution can result in severe personal injury or death.
- All electrical wiring MUST be in conformance with applicable local codes, regulations and the National Electrical Code (NEC)
- Before performing any service or maintenance on electrical equipment turn off all electrical power.
- Contact a licensed electrician or building inspector for information on local electrical codes for bonding requirements.
- Verify water discharge from the filter manual air relief valve is directed away from electrical devices.

**CAUTION**
To reduce risk of injury, do not permit children to use or climb on this product. Closely supervise children at all times. The ANSI/NSPI-4 Standard (above-ground and on-ground pools) advises that components such as the filtration system, pumps, and heaters be positioned to prevent their being used as a means of access to the pool by young children.

**WARNING** — Failure to remove pressure test plugs and/or plugs used in winterization of the pool/spa from the suction outlets can result in an increase potential for suction entrapment as described above.

Your Hayward Pro Series high-rate sand filter is a high performance, totally corrosion-proof filter that blends superior flow characteristics and features with ease of operation. It represents the very latest in high-rate sand filter technology. It is virtually foolproof in design and operation and when installed, operated and maintained according to instructions, your filter will produce clear, sparkling water with only minimal attention and care.

**HOW IT WORKS**
Your filter uses special filter sand to remove dirt particles from pool water. Filter sand is loaded into the filter tank and functions as the permanent dirt removing media. The pool water, which contains suspended dirt particles, is pumped through your piping system and is automatically directed by the patented filter control valve to the top of the filter tank. As the pool water is pumped through the filter sand, dirt particles are trapped by the sand bed, and filtered out. The cleaned pool water is returned from the bottom of the filter tank, through the control valve and back to the pool through the piping system. This entire sequence is continuous and automatic and provides for total recirculation of pool water through your filter and piping system.

After a period of time, the accumulated dirt in the filter causes a resistance to flow, and the flow diminishes. This means it is time to clean (backwash) your filter. With the control valve in the backwash position, the water flow is automatically reversed through the filter so that it is directed to the bottom of the tank, up through the sand, flushing the previously trapped dirt and debris out the waste line. Once the filter is backwashed (cleaned) of dirt, the control valve is manually resequenced to Rinse, and then Filter, to resume normal filtering.

**INSTALLATION**
Only simple tools (screwdriver and wrenches), plus pipe sealant for plastic adapters, are required to install and/or service the filter.

1. The filter system should be installed, not more than 6 feet above pool water level, on a level concrete slab, very firm ground, or equivalent, as recommended by your pool dealer. Position the filter so that the piping connections, control valve and winter drain are convenient and accessible for operation, service and winterizing.
2. Assemble pump and pump mounting base, to the filter according to instructions packed with the base.
3. Loading sand media. Filter sand media is loaded through the top opening of the filter.
   a. Loosen flange clamp and remove Filter Control Valve (if previously installed).
   b. Cap internal pipe with sand shield to prevent sand from entering it. Be sure pipe is securely in place in bottom underdrain hub.
   c. We recommend filling tank approximately 1/2 way with water to provide a cushioning effect when the filter sand is poured in.
   This helps protect the underdrain laterals from excessive shock. (Be sure the winter drain cap is securely in place on drain pipe).

   NOTE: Check to confirm all laterals are in the down position before loading with sand. (See Figure A.)

   d. Carefully pour in correct amount and grade of filter sand, as specified. (Be sure center pipe remains centered in opening). Sand surface should be leveled and should come to within 6" of the top of the filter tank. Remove sand shield from internal pipe.

4. Assemble Filter Control Valve to filter tank.
   a. Loosely pre-assemble both halves of the clamp with one screw and one nut, turning the nut 2 or 3 turns. Do not tighten. Wipe filter flange clean.
   b. Insert Filter Control Valve (with valve/flange O-ring in place) into the tank neck, taking care that the center pipe slips into the hole in the bottom of the valve. Install clamp around tank and valve flange and assemble second screw and nut. Tighten just enough so that the valve may be rotated on tank for final positioning.
   c. Carefully screw pressure gauge, with pipe tape, into 1/4″NPT tapped hole in valve body. Do not over tighten.
   d. Wrap two turns of Teflon pipe sealant tape manufactured for plastic pipe, on the Straight adapter (12 on Fig B) and the Elbow adapter (11), starting in the clockwise direction at the first full thread with a half width overlap for the full effective thread length.
   e. Carefully start the threaded Straight adapter (12) into the pump (16) discharge (Top Port) and hand tighten. Further tightening may not be needed to make a leak-proof joint. However, never tighten more than 1/2 to 1 1/2 turns past hand tight to avoid failure due to over tightening the joint.
   f. Carefully start the threaded Elbow adapter (11) into the Control Valve (1) port marked PUMP and hand tighten. Further tightening may not be needed to make a leak-proof joint. However, never tighten more than 1/2 to 1 1/2 turns past hand tight to avoid failure due to over tightening the joint.
   g. Place two hose clamps (14) over clear hose (13). Fit hose over straight and elbow adapters and secure with the clamps. (HINT: If it is difficult to fit hose over adapters, place hose in hot water for several minutes. Be Careful HOT WATER can burn you). After the hose connections are made, tighten valve flange clamp with screwdriver, tapping around clamp with screwdriver handle to help seat valve flange clamp. Please be sure to place the vinyl protector caps over the ends of the screws.

5. Make return to pool pipe connection to control valve opening marked RETURN and complete other necessary plumbing connections, suction lines to pump, waste, etc.
7. To prevent water leakage, be sure winter drain cap is securely in place and all pipe connections are tight.

INITIAL START-UP OF FILTER
1. Be sure correct amount of filter sand media is in tank and that all connections have been made and are secure.
2. Depress Vari-Flo control valve handle and rotate to BACKWASH* position. (To prevent damage to control valve seal, always depress handle before turning.)
3. Prime and start pump according to pump instructions (be sure all suction and return lines are open), allowing the filter tank to fill with water.

   ▶️ WARNING: ALL SUCTION AND DISCHARGE VALVES MUST BE OPEN WHEN STARTING THE SYSTEM. FAILURE TO DO SO COULD CAUSE SEVERE PERSONAL INJURY.

Once water flow is steady out the waste line, run the pump for at least 2 minutes. The initial back-washing of the filter is recommended to remove any impurities or fine sand particles in the sand media.
4. Turn pump off and set valve to RINSE position. Start pump and operate until water in sight glass is clear—about 1/2 to 1 minute.
   Turn pump off, set valve to FILTER position and restart pump. Your filter is now operating in the normal filter mode, filtering particles from the pool water.
5. Adjust pool suction and return valves to achieve desired flow. Check system and filter for water leaks and tighten connections, bolts, nuts, as required.
6. Note the initial pressure gauge reading when the filter is clean. (It will vary from pool to pool depending upon the pump and general piping system). As the filter removes dirt and impurities from the pool water, the accumulation in the filter will cause the pressure to rise and flow to diminish. When the pressure gauge reading is 8-10 PSI (0.55-0.69 BAR) higher than the initial "clean" pressure you noted, it is time to backwash (clean) the filter (see BACKWASH under Filter Control Valve Functions.)

NOTE: During initial clean-up of the pool water it may be necessary to backwash frequently due to the unusually heavy initial dirt load in the water.
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NOTE: The system Base has provisions for mounting optional timer and optional Hayward chlorine feeder.
**KEEP SAFETY LABELS IN GOOD CONDITION AND REPLACE IF MISSING OR DAMAGED.**

**IMPORTANT:** To prevent unnecessary strain on piping system and valving, always shut off pump before switching Filter Control Valve positions.

To prevent damage to the pump and filter and for proper operation of the system, clean pump strainer and skimmer baskets regularly.

**FILTER CONTROL VALVE FUNCTIONS**

**FILTER**—Set valve to FILTER for normal filtering. Also use for regular vacuuming.

**BACKWASH**—For cleaning filter. When filter pressure gauge rises 8-10 PSI (0.55-0.69 BAR) above start-up (clean pressure):
Stop the pump, set valve to BACKWASH. Start pump and backwash until water in sight glass is clear.
Approximately 2 minutes or less depending on dirt accumulation. Proceed to RINSE.

**RINSE**—After backwashing, with pump off, set valve to RINSE. Start pump and operate for about 1/2 to 1 minute. This ensures that all dirty water from backwashing is rinsed out of the filter to waste, preventing possible return to the pool. Stop pump, set valve to FILTER, and start pump for normal filtering.

**WASTE**—To bypass filter for draining or lowering water level and for vacuuming heavy debris directly to waste.

**RECIRCULATE**—Water is recirculated through the pool system, bypassing the filter.

**CLOSED**—Shuts off flow from pump to filter.

**VACUUMING**—Vacuuming can be performed directly into the filter. When vacuuming heavy debris loads, set valve to WASTE position to bypass the filter and vacuum directly out to waste.

*NOTE: For new concrete or gunite pools, or where there is a large amount of plaster dust or debris—start filter in FILTER position (not BACKWASH) to prevent clogging of underdrain laterals.

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**HAYWARD® LIMITED WARRANTY**

This equipment was inspected before shipment from our plant. To original purchasers of this equipment, Hayward Pool Products, 620 Division Street, Elizabeth, New Jersey, warrants its products free from defects in materials and workmanship for a period of **ONE (1)** year from the date of purchase.

Parts which fail or become defective during the warranty period, except as a result of freezing, negligence, improper installation, use, or care, shall be repaired or replaced, at our option, without charge, within 90 days of the receipt of defective product, barring unforeseen delays.

To obtain warranty replacements or repair, defective components or parts should be returned, transportation paid, to the place of purchase, or to the nearest authorized Hayward service center. For further Hayward dealer or service center information, contact Hayward customer service department. No returns may be made directly to the factory without the express written authorization of Hayward Pool Products, Inc.

To original purchasers of this equipment, Hayward Pool Products, Inc. warrants its vacuum release systems to be free from defects in materials and workmanship for a period of **ONE (1)** year from the date of purchase.

Filters which become defective during the warranty period, except as a result of freezing, negligence, improper installation, use or care, shall be repaired or replaced, at our option, without charge.

All other conditions and terms of the standard warranty apply.

Hayward shall not be responsible for cartage, removal and/or reinstallation labor or any other such costs incurred in obtaining warranty replacements.

The Hayward Pool Products warranty does not apply to components manufactured by others. For such products, the warranty established by the respective manufacturer will apply.

Some states do not allow a limitation on how long an implied warranty lasts, or the exclusion or limitation of incidental or consequential damages, so the above limitation or exclusion may not apply to you.

This warranty gives you specific legal rights, and you may also have other rights, which vary from state to state.

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WINTERIZING

1. Completely drain tank by unscrewing drain cap at base of filter tank. Leave cap off during winter.
2. Depress Vari-Flo control valve handle and rotate so as to set pointer on valve top between any two positions. This will allow water to drain from the valve. Leave valve in this “inactive” position.
3. Drain and winterize pump according to pump instructions.

SERVICE & REPAIRS
Consult your local authorized Hayward dealer or service center. No returns may be made directly to the factory without the expressed authorization of Hayward Pool Products.

PLEASE REALIZE:

Pure, clear swimming pool water is a combination of two factors—adequate filtration and proper water chemistry balance. One without the other will not give the clean water you desire.

Your filter system is designed for continuous operation. However, this is not necessary for most swimming pools. You can determine your filter operation schedule based on your pool size and usage. Be sure to operate your filtration system long enough each day to obtain at least one complete turnover of your pool water.

To properly sanitize your pool, maintain a free chlorine level of 1 to 3 ppm and a pH range of 7.2 to 7.8. Insufficient chlorine or an out of balance pH level will permit algae and bacteria to grow in your pool and make it difficult for your filter to properly clean the pool water.

PROBLEM SOLVING LIST

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<td>2. Check for restrictions in intake and discharge lines.</td>
<td>2. Be sure chlorine and pH levels are in proper range (adjust as required).</td>
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<td>3. Check for air leak in intake line (indicated by bubbles returning to pool).</td>
<td>3. Check surface of filter sand for crusting or caking (remove 1” of sand if necessary).</td>
<td>3. Operate filter for longer periods.</td>
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<td>4. Backwash filter.</td>
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MAXIMUM RECOMMENDED SYSTEM FLOW RATE BY PIPE SIZE

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**TABLE 2**

PRODUCT REGISTRATION
(Retain For Your Records)

DATE OF INSTALLATION ________________________________
PURCHASED FROM ____________________________________
MODEL ____________________________________________
SERIAL NUMBER ____________________________________

▲ Retain this Warranty Certificate in a safe and convenient location for your records.

SUGGESTED POOL CHEMISTRY LEVELS

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Warranty Registration Card

Name__________________________________________________
Address_______________________________________________
City______________________ State_________ Zip____________
Purchased from:________________________________________
Company name________________________________________________
Address_______________________________________________________
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□ New Installation □ Replacement

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