Installation & Operation Manual

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VRP® Variable Refrigerant Packaged Heat Pump

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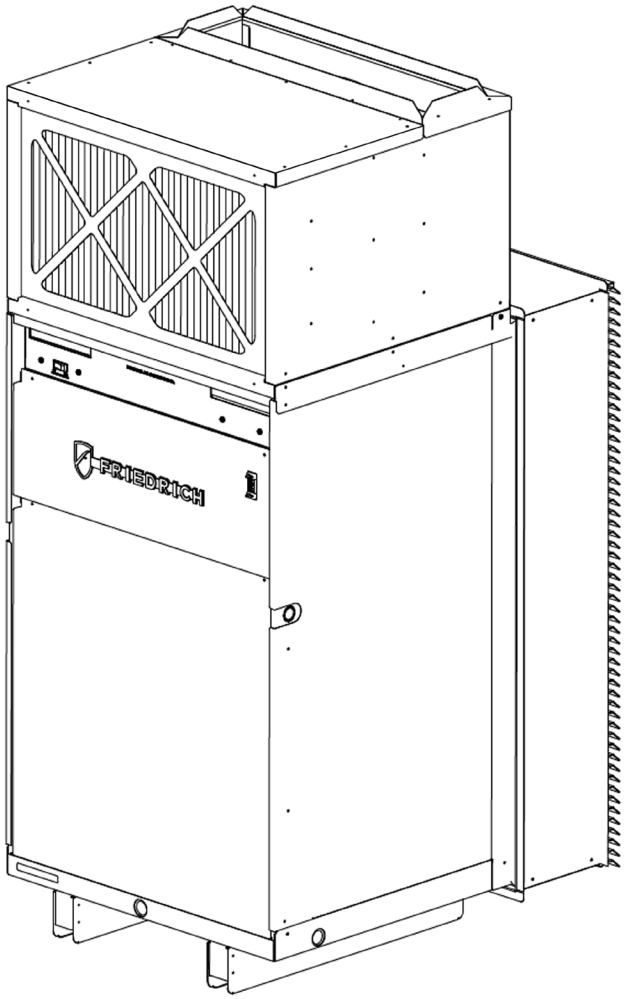

VRP12K/R
VRP24K/R

For Commercial and Residential Applications

One or more of the following patents may apply:

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Additional patents pending

LOW GWP Refrigerant

PRECISION INVERTER™ FreshAire™ ETL LISTED c US Intertek AHRI CERTIFIED™ www.ahridirectory.org Unitary Small HP AHRI Standard 210/240 Certification applies only when the complete system is listed with AHRI

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⚠ WARNING

Disconnection from supply voltage for all poles must be incorporated into the fixed wiring. It is the installer's responsibility to thoroughly read the manual and to properly install the equipment in conformance with NFPA 70-2008 National Electric Code or current edition, International Mechanic code 2009 or current edition and any other applicable local and national codes.

⚠ WARNING

Refrigeration system under high pressure. Do not puncture, heat, expose to flame or incinerate. Only certified refrigeration technicians should service this equipment. R32 systems operate at higher pressures than R22 equipment. Appropriate safe service and handling practices must be used. Only use gauge sets designed for use with R32. Do not use R22 gauge sets. Failure to do so can result in property damage, personal injury, or death.

⚠ WARNING

This appliance is not intended for use by persons (including children) with reduced physical, sensory or mental capabillities, or lack of experience and knowledge, unless they have been given supervision or instruction concerning use of the appliance by a person responsible for thier safety.

Children should be supervised to ensure that they do not play with the appliance.

⚠ WARNING

The maximum altitude for this appliance is 2,000m (6,562 ft).

Do not use above an altitude of 2,000m (6,562 ft)

⚠ WARNING

Electric Shock Hazard

TURN OFF ELECTRIC POWER BEFORE SERVICE OR INSTALLATION.

Unit must be properly grounded. Other methods of grounding are permitted if performed in accordance with the "National Electric Code"(NEC)/"American National Standards Institute" (ANSI)\National Fire Protection Association (NFPA) 70 and Local/State Codes.

In Canada, Electrical Grounding is to be in accordance with the Canadian Electrical Code CSA C22.1.

Unit must have correct Fuse or Circuit Breaker Protection. Unit's supply circuit must have the correct wire conductor size. All electrical connections and wiring must be installed by a qualified electrician and conform to the National Electrical Code and all Local Codes which have jurisdiction. Failure to do so can result in property damage, personal injury and/or death

Your safety and the safety of others are very important.

We have provided many important safety messages in this manual and on your appliance. Always read and obey all safety messages.

This is the safety alert symbol.
This symbol alerts you to potential hazards that can kill or hurt you and others.
All safety messages will follow the safety alert symbol with the word "WARNING" or "CAUTION".
These words mean:

WARNING

Indicates a hazard which, if not avoided, can result in severe personal injury or death and damage to product or other property.

CAUTION

Indicates a hazard which, if not avoided, can result in personal injury and damage to product or other property. All safety messages will tell you how to reduce the chance of injury, and tell you what will happen if the instructions are not followed.

NOTICE

Indicates property damage can occur if instructions are not followed.

This symbol indicates that this appliance uses flammable refrigerant. If the refrigerant is leaked and exposed to an external ignition source, there is a risk of fire.

This symbol indicates that the Operation Manual should be read carefully.

This symbol indicates that a service personnel should be handling this equipment with reference Installation Manual

This symbol indicates that information is available such as a operationing/Installation manual

THINK SAFETY FIRST	⚠ WARNING	⚠ AVERTISSEMENT	⚠ ADVERTENCIA
	Do not remove, disable or bypass this unit's safety devices. Doing so may cause, fire, injuries or death.	Ne pas supprimer, désactiver ou contourner cette l'unité des dispositifs de sécurité. faire vous risqueriez de provoquer, le feu, les blessures ou la mort.	No eliminar, desactivar o pasar por alto los dispositivos de seguridad de la unidad. Si lo hace podría producirse fuego, lesiones o muerte.

Important Safety and General Information

CAUTION : Risk of fire flammable materials
Important Note : Read this manual carefully before installing or operating your new air conditioning unit.Make sure to save this manual for future reference

R32 **A2L**

Warning

Do not use means to accelerate the defrosting process or to clean, other than those recommended by the manufacturer.

The appliance shall be stored in a room without continously operating ignition sources like open flames, operating gas appliance or an operating electric heater.

Do not pierce or burn

Be aware that refrigerants may not contain an odour.

Importance of Quality Installation

FOR INSTALLATION ONLY IN LOCATIONS NOT ACCESSIBLE TO THE GENERAL PUBLIC

Optimal system performance and longevity depend upon a quality and proper installation. Failure to properly install this unit could result in undesirable operation and subsequent faults and potential failures.

Carefully follow all guidelines listed in the manual and industry best practices. Conform to all local code requirements. Contact your local technical representative with any questions or concerns.

Upon receiving the unit, inspect it for any damage from shipment. Claims for damage, either shipping or concealed, should be filed immediately with the shipping company. IMPORTANT: Check the unit model number, Cooling size, electrical characteristics, and accessories to determine if they are correct.

WARNING: If the unit appears damaged, or if a refrigerant leak is suspected, do not install . Contact a licensed repair person to per form a leak check on the unit.

Scan this QR code to be linked to the Friedrich support page where you can locate the Service Manual.

Unventilated areas

WARNING : APPLIANCE shall be stored in a room without continuously operating open flames (for example an operating gas appli ance) or other POTENTIAL IGNITION SOURCES (for example an operating electric heater, hot surfaces).

WARNING:"Auxiliary devices which may be a POTENTIAL IGNITION SOURCE shall not be installed in the duct work. Examples of such POTENTIAL IGNITION SOURCES are hot surfaces with a temperature exceeding 700 F and electric switching devices".

WARNING: Do not use of install unapproved devices in the ductwork. Only use auxiliary devices approved by Friedrich or declared suitable with R-32 . If in doubt, Friedrich should be consulted.

WARNING: Do not drill on panels. Before any progress, Friedrich should be consulted.

Important Safety and General Information

Qualification of Workers

WARNING: Any person who is involved with working on or breaking into a refrigerant circuit should be documented by a current valid certificate from a national training organization or manufacturers that are accredited to teach the relevant national competency standards that may be set in legislation to handle refrigerants safely in accordance with an industry recognized assessment specification.

Every working procedure that affects safety shall only be carried out by a competent person.

Examples for such working procedures are:
- breaking into the refrigerating circuit;
- opening of sealed components;
- opening of ventilated enclosures.

Cabling

WARNING: Check that cabling will not be subject to wear, corrosion, excessive pressure, vibration, sharp edges or any other adverse environmental effects. The check shall also take into account the effects of aging or continual vibration from sources such as com pressors or fans.

Detection of Flammable Refrigerant

WARNING: Under no circumstances shall potential sources of ignition be used in the searching for or detection of refrigerant leaks. A halide torch (or any other detector using a naked flame) shall not be used.
The following leak detection methods are deemed acceptable for all refrigerant systems. Electronic leak detectors may be used to detect refrigerant leaks but, in the case of FLAMMABLE REFRIGERANTS, the sensitivity may not be adequate or may need re-calibra tion. (Detection equipment shall be calibrated in a refrigerant-free area.) Ensure that the detector is not a potential source of ignition and is suitable for the refrigerant used. Leak detection equipment shall be set at a percentage of the LFL of the refrigerant and shall be calibrated to the refrigerant employed, and the appropriate percentage of gas (25 % maximum) is confirmed.
Leak detection fluids are also suitable for use with most refrigerants but the use of detergents containing chlorine shall be avoided as the chlorine may react with the refrigerant and corrode the copper pipe-work.

Examples of leak detection fluids are
– bubble method,
– fluorescent method agents.
If a leak is suspected, all naked flames shall be removed/extinguished.
If a leakage of refrigerant is found which requires brazing, all of the refrigerant shall be recovered from the system, or isolated (by means of shut off valves) in a part of the system remote from the leak. Removal of refrigerant shall be according to national training organization or manufacturers.

Charging Procedures

The following requirements shall be followed.
- Ensure that contamination of different refrigerants does not occur when using charging equipment. Hoses or lines shall be as short as possible to minimize the amount of refrigerant contained in them.
- Cylinders shall be kept in an appropriate position according to the instructions.
- Ensure that the REFRIGERATING SYSTEM is earthed prior to charging the system with refrigerant.
- Label the system when charging is complete (if not already).
- Extreme care shall be taken not to overfill the REFRIGERATING SYSTEM.

Prior to recharging the system, it shall be pressure-tested with the appropriate purging gas. The system shall be leak-tested on completion of charging but prior to commissioning. A follow up leak test shall be carried out prior to leaving the site.

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Recovery

WARNING: When removing refrigerant from a system, either for servicing or decommissioning, it is recommended good practice that all refrigerants are removed safely. When transferring refrigerant into cylinders, ensure that only appropriate refrigerant recovery cylinders are employed. Ensure that the correct number of cylinders for holding the total system charge is available. All cylinders to be used are designated for the recovered refrigerant and labelled for that refrigerant (i.e. special cylinders for the recovery of refrigerant). Cylinders shall be complete with pressure-relief valve and associated shut-off valves in good working order. Empty recovery cylinders are evacuated and, if possible, cooled before recovery occurs.

The recovery equipment shall be in good working order with a set of instructions concerning the equipment that is at hand and shall be suitable for the recovery of all appropriate refrigerants including, when applicable, FLAMMABLE REFRIGERANTS. In addition, a set of calibrated weighing scales shall be available and in good working order. Hoses shall be complete with leak-free disconnect couplings and in good condition. Before using the recovery machine, check that it is in satisfactory working order, has been properly maintained and that any associated electrical components are sealed to prevent ignition in the event of a refrigerant release. Consult manufacturer if in doubt.

The recovered refrigerant shall be returned to the refrigerant supplier in the correct recovery cylinder, and the relevant waste transfer note arranged. Do not mix refrigerants in recovery units and especially not in cylinders.
If compressors or compressor oils are to be removed, ensure that they have been evacuated to an acceptable level to make certain that FLAMMABLE REFRIGERANT does not remain within the lubricant. The evacuation process shall be carried out prior to returning the compressor to the suppliers. Only electric heating to the compressor body shall be employed to accelerate this process. When oil is drained from a system, it shall be carried out safely.

The recovery equipment shall be in good working order with a set of instructions concerning the equipment that is at hand and shall be suitable for the recovery of the flammable refrigerant. If in doubt, the manufacturer should be consulted. In addition, a set of calibrated weighing scales shall be available and in good working order. Hoses shall be complete with leak-free disconnect couplings and in good condition.

The recovered refrigerant shall be processed according to local legislation in the correct recovery cylinder, and the relevant waste transfer note arranged. Do not mix refrigerants in recovery units and especially not in cylinders.
If compressors or compressor oils are to be removed, ensure that they have been evacuated to an acceptable level to make certain that flammable refrigerant does not remain within the lubricant. The compressor body shall not be heated by an open flame or other ignition sources to accelerate this process. When oil is drained from a system, it shall be carried out safely.

General work area

Warning: All maintenance staff and others working in the local area shall be instructed on the nature of work being carried out. Work in confined spaces shall be avoided.

Presence of fire extinguisher

Warning: If any hot work is to be conducted on the refrigerating equipment or any associated parts, appropriate fire extinguishing equipment shall be available to hand. Have a dry powder or CO2 fire extinguisher adjacent to the charging area.

Checks to the refrigerating equipment

Warning: Where electrical components are being changed, they shall be fit for the purpose and to the correct specification. At all times Friedrich AC maintenance and service guidelines shall be followed If in doubt, consult Friedrich AC technical department for assistance.
The following checks shall be applied to installations using FLAMMABLE REFRIGERANTS:
– the actual REFRIGERANT CHARGE is in accordance with the room size within which the refrigerant containing parts are installed;
the ventilation machinery and outlets are operating adequately and are not obstructed;
– if an indirect refrigerating circuit is being used, the secondary circuit shall be checked for the presence of refrigerant;
– marking to the equipment continues to be visible and legible. Markings and signs that are illegible shall be corrected;
– refrigerating pipe or components are installed in a position where they are unlikely to be exposed to any substance which may corrode refrigerant containing components, unless the components are constructed of materials which are inherently resistant to being corroded or are suitably protected against being so corroded.

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Checks to electrical devices

Warning: Repair and maintenance to electrical components shall include initial safety checks and component inspection procedures. If a fault exists that could compromise safety, then no electrical supply shall be connected to the circuit until it is satisfactorily dealt with. If the fault cannot be corrected immediately but it is necessary to continue operation, an adequate temporary solution shall be used. This shall be reported to the owner of the equipment so all parties are advised.
Initial safety checks shall include:
• that capacitors are discharged: this shall be done in a safe manner to avoid possibility of sparking;
• that no live electrical components and wiring are exposed while charging, recovering or purging the system;
• that there is continuity of earth bonding.

Repairs to sealed components

Warning: Do not repair. Sealed components must be replaced

Repair to intrinsically safe components

Warning: Do not repair. Intrinsically safe components must be replaced.

Decommissioning

Warning: Before carrying out this procedure, it is essential that the technician is completely familiar with the equipment and all its detail. It is recommended good practice that all refrigerants are recovered safely. Prior to the task being carried out, an oil and refrigerant sample shall be taken in case analysis is required prior to re-use of recovered refrigerant. It is essential that electrical power is available before the task is commenced.
a)Become familiar with the equipment and its operation.
b)Isolate system electrically.
c)Before attempting the procedure, ensure that:
- mechanical handling equipment is available, if required, for handling refrigerant cylinders;
- all personal protective equipment is available and being used correctly;
- the recovery process is supervised at all times by a competent person;
- recovery equipment and cylinders conform to the appropriate standards.

d)Pump down refrigerant system, if possible.
e)If a vacuum is not possible, make a manifold so that refrigerant can be removed from various parts of the system.
f)Make sure that cylinder is situated on the scales before recovery takes place.
g)Start the recovery machine and operate in accordance with instructions.
h)Do not overfill cylinders (no more than 80 % volume liquid charge).
i)Do not exceed the maximum working pressure of the cylinder, even temporarily.
j)When the cylinders have been filled correctly and the process completed, make sure that the cylinders and the equipment are removed from site promptly and all isolation valves on the equipment are closed off.
k)Recovered refrigerant shall not be charged into another REFRIGERATING SYSTEM unless it has been cleaned and checked.

Labelling

Warning: Equipment shall be labelled stating that it has been de-commissioned and emptied of refrigerant. The label shall be dated and signed. For appliances containing FLAMMABLE REFRIGERANTS, ensure that there are labels on the equipment stating the equipment contains FLAMMABLE REFRIGERANT.

General Specifications

Nomenclature

V	R	P	2	4	K	2	5	S	S	A	S	C	- A00

Series

VRP Heat Pump

Nominal Capacity (Btu /Hr.)

12 = 5,400- 16,000 Operating Range

24 =14,500 - 28,000 Operating Range

Voltage

K = 230/208 V

R = 265 V*

Heater Watts

25 = 2.5 kW VRP12 Only

34 = 3.4 kW

50 = 5.0 kW

75 = 7.5 kW VRP24 Only

10 = 10.0 kW

Outdoor Air/ Ventilation

S= Standard No FreshAire™

F= Single OA Fan 35 CFM

D= Dual OA Fans 70 CFM

S= Standard

R= Reheat

Plenum and Louver Configuration

A= Compact (VRP12 Only)

B= Standard

S= Standard

L= Basepan Heat

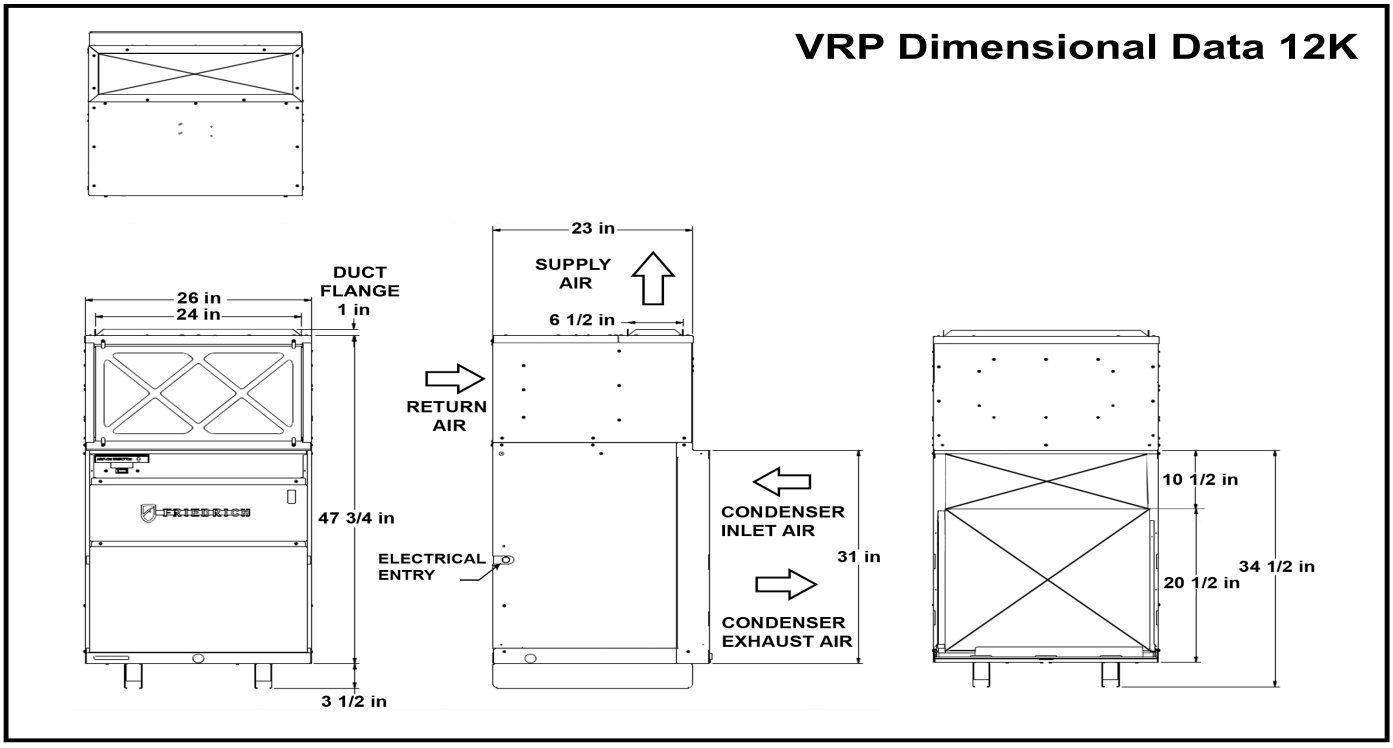
Marketing Revision

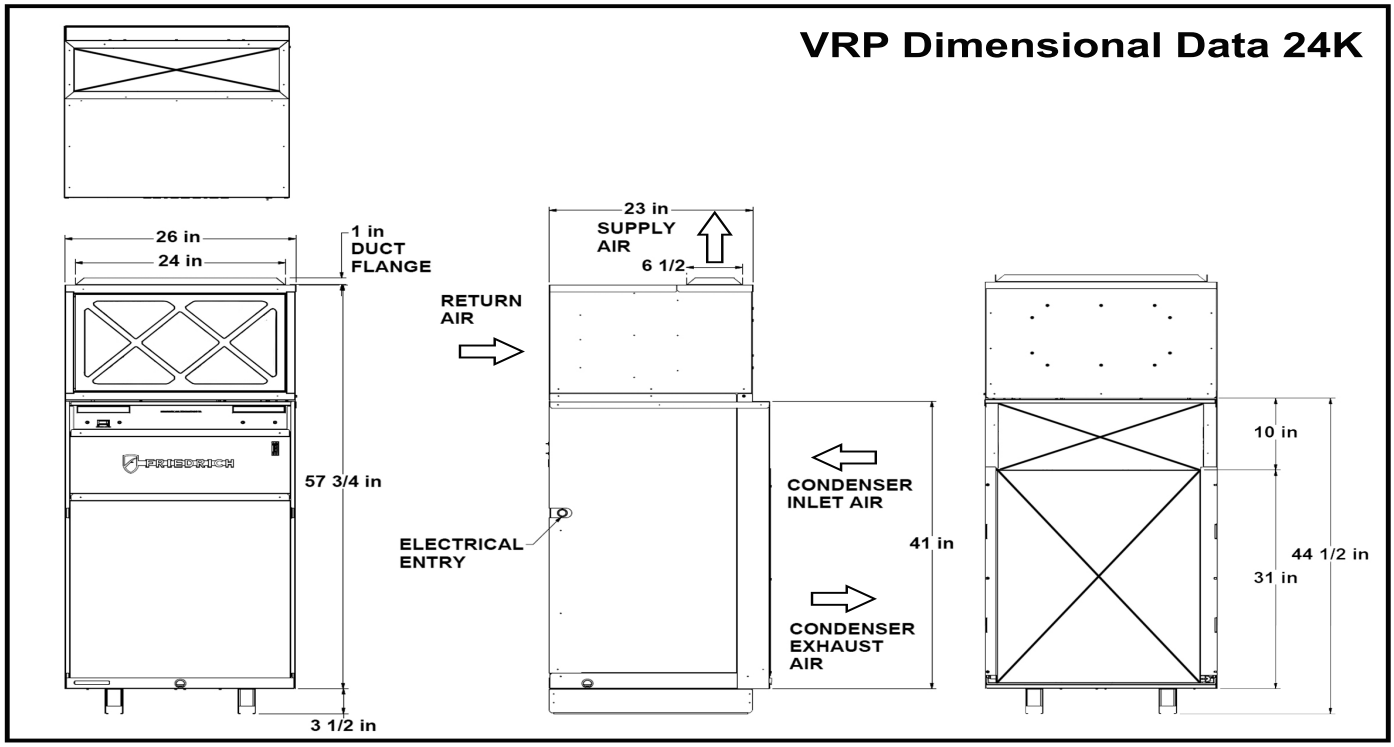
Engineering Revision

Model	VRP12K		VRP24K	
Cooling Performance Data (Cooling Standards: 95°F DB/75°F WB outdoor, 80°F DB/67°F WB indoor)				
Voltage	230/208*		230/208*	
Cooling Capacity (Rated)	11,500 Btu/h	3,370 W	23,300	6,829 W
Cooling Range (Min. - Max)	5,400 - 16,000 Btu/h	1,583 - 4,689 W	14,500 - 28,000 Btu/h	4250 - 8206 W
Outdoor Operating Range	55 - 115 (°F)	12.8 - 46 (°C)	55 - 115 (°F)	12.8 - 46 (°C)
Power (W)	1,000		2,198	
SEER2	18.0		17.5	
EER2	11.5		10.8	
Sensible Heat Ratio	0.8		0.75	
Cooling Amps	4.3		9.5	
Heat Pump Performance Data				
Voltage	230/208		230/208	
Heating Btu (Rated @ 47° F)	11,500 Btu/h	3,370 W	22,000 Btu/h	6448 W
Heating Btu (@ 17° F)	6,200 Btu/h	1,817 W	13,000 Btu/h	3810 W
Heating Btu (Min. - Max.)	4,000 - 14,000 Btu/h	1,172 - 4,103 W	12,000 - 26,000 Btu/h	3517 - 7620 W
Heat Pump Outdoor Operating Range	0 - 70 (°F)	-18 - 21 (°C)	0 - 70 (°F)	-18 - 21 (°C)
HSPF2	7.6		7.6	
Heating Power (W)	991		1,810	
Heat Pump Amps	4.3		9.0	

*265v specs will be released soon

Dimensions





Model	VRP12K / VRP12R	VRP24K / VRP24R
Dimensions (W x D x H)	26 1/8" x 25 1/8" x 52"	26 1/8" x 25 1/8" x 62"
Shipping Dimensions (W x D x H)	28 1/8" x 27 3/8" x 54 1/2"	28 1/8" x 27 3/8" x 64 1/2"
R32 Charge (oz.)	40	59

Electrical Data

VRP Model	Electric Heater Size	Voltage	Electric Heater Watts	Electric Heating Btu	Total Electric Heating Amps	ID Blower FLA/HP	OD Blower Amps	MCA	MOP / MOCP
VRP12K	2.5 kW	230	2500	8525	10.6	0.52/0.2	0.4/0.1	14.7	15
	2.5 kW	208	2261	7710	9.6	0.57/0.2	0.47/0.1		
	3.4 kW	230	3340	11389	14.5	0.52/0.2	0.4/0.1	19.5	20
	3.4 kW	208	3021	10302	13.1	0.57/0.2	0.47/0.1		
	5.0 kW	230	4940	16845	21.5	0.52/0.2	0.4/0.1	28.3	30
	5.0 kW	208	4467	15232	19.4	0.57/0.2	0.47/0.1		
VRP24K	3.4 kW	230	3340	11389	14.5	1.13/0.25	1.1/0.1	23.6	25
	3.4 kW	208	3021	10302	13.1	1.16/0.25	1.19/0.1		
	5.0 kW	230	5000	17050	21.7	1.13/0.25	1.1/0.1	29.9	30
	5.0 kW	208	4522	15420	19.6	1.16/0.25	1.19/0.1		
	7.5 kW	230	7500	25575	32.6	1.13/0.25	1.1/0.1	43.5	45
	7.5 kW	208	6783	23130	29.5	1.16/0.25	1.19/0.1		
	10.0 kW	230	9800	33418	42.6	1.13/0.25	1.1/0.1	56	60
	10.0 kW	208	8863	30223	38.5	1.16/0.25	1.19/0.1		

MCA = Minimum Circuit Ampacity
MOP / MOCP - Maximum Overcurrent Protection / Breaker Size
Minimum Circuit Amps (MCA) and MOCP values in the above table are calculated in accordance with The NEC.Article 440

Note to Specifying Engineers: please ensure that your electric heat kit selection is sufficient for your area/application and takes into account the utilization voltage. Please refer to the electrical data section above for electric heat capacities versus utilization voltage.

Friedrich recommends ASHRAE 99.6 when sizing electrical heaters. VRP does not have simultaneous heat pump/heater kit operation. During single digit temperatures, heat pump operation will likely not satisfy the heating demand unless the specifying engineer has designed the BTU output for heat. At times when the load is within 5% of the calculated output, it is recommended that the heater kit be upsized.

Electrical Requirements	
Wire Size	Use **ONLY** wire size recommended for single outlet branch circuit.
Fuse/Circuit Breaker	Use **ONLY** type and size fuse or HACR circuit breaker indicated on unit's rating guide. Proper over current protection to the units is the responsibility of the owner.
Grounding	Unit **MUST** be grounded from branch circuit to unit, or through separate ground wire provided on permanently connected units. Ensure that branch circuit or general purpose outlet is grounded.
Wire Sizing	Use recommended wire size given in tables and install a single branch circuit. All wiring must comply with local and national codes. NOTE: Use copper conductors only.

Electrical Rating Table

NOTE: Use copper conductors **ONLY.** Wire sizes are per NEC.

Recommended Branch Circuit Sizes*	
Nameplate Maximum Circuit Breaker Size	AWG Wiring Size**
15A	14
20A	12
30A	10

AWG - American Wire Gauge
* Single circuit from main box.
** Based on 100' or less of copper, single insulated conductor at 60° C

NOTE: All field wiring must comply with NEC and local codes. It is the installer's responsibility to ensure that the electrical codes are met.

Air Flow Data

Indoor CFM & External Static Pressure*

Air Flow Data												
Model	Speed Select	Airflow Setting	Static Pressure (in. WC)										
			0.00	0.05	0.10	0.15	0.20	0.25	0.30	0.35	0.40	0.45	0.50
VRP12K/R*	1	High	540	480	430	400	340	270	200	140	100		
		Low	350	290	220	120							
	2	High	630	580	535	480	420	370	330	290	240	180	100
		Low	390	330	260	200							
	3	High	650	620	575	540	490	455	420	355	330	280	200
		Low	425	370	315	260	195	130					
	4	High	710	670	610	580	535	490	470	440	415	320	240
		Low	490	430	400	320	290	220	120				
	5	High	780	750	700	655	620	570	540	515	470	440	400
		Low	540	480	430	400	340	270	200	140	100		
VRP24K/R*	1	High	780	750	710	670	635	610	580	550	510	460	415
		Low	585	540	490	460	420	370	310	260	200	130	
	2	High	810	770	740	710	670	640	615	580	555	510	480
		Low	630	580	535	480	420	370	330	290	240	180	100
	3	High	910	880	860	810	795	780	755	730	695	650	590
		Low	680	650	620	560	520	480	435	380	340	280	220
	4	High	980	940	915	890	860	835	805	790	770	750	705
		Low	770	740	690	650	610	560	530	500	460	420	390
	5	High	1060	1020	1000	980	965	940	925	900	880	845	800
		Low	810	770	740	710	670	640	615	580	555	510	480

* Subject to Change. Rated to 0.3” ESP High and includes factory provided filter

VRP Configurator

All units are shipped with Speed Select 1 High as the default airflow. In higher static applications, it is necessary to increase the airflow to a higher Speed Select setting. Using the VRP Configurator tool and associated instructions, the speed settings can be changed on units with a firmware 3.7.0.0 or later and will be available later in the year.

Condenser CFM & External Static Pressure

VRP is designed to install through an exterior wall with a plenum (VRPXWP*-8, VRPXWP*-14) and a Friedrich external louver .

If the Friedrich designed plenum and louver combinations are not used, the selections and design must be evaluated by Friedrich to ensure the total pressure drop does not exceed the maximum allowable limits.

Condenser External Static Pressure			
VRP Model	Design		Max
	CFM	ESP ("WC)	ESP (“WC)
VRP12K/R	700	0.03	0.1
VRP24K/R	1150	0.02	0.11

VRP® Required Minimum Clearances

Building Exterior Unit Opening Requirements

VRP units must be installed on an outside wall. Confined spaces and/or covered areas should be avoided. Units must be installed no closer than 12" apart when two units are side by side. If three or more units are to operate next to one another, maintain a minimum of 60" between units or pairs of units (Figure B). If more than two units are sharing a floor with adjacent, outset units, a minimum distance of 64" must be kept between units (Figure C). Also, a vertical clearance of 60" must be maintained (Figure A) between units. Units installed on the bottom floor must be mounted at least 6" off of the ground. If two units are facing each other, a minimum distance of 108" must be kept between units (Figure D).

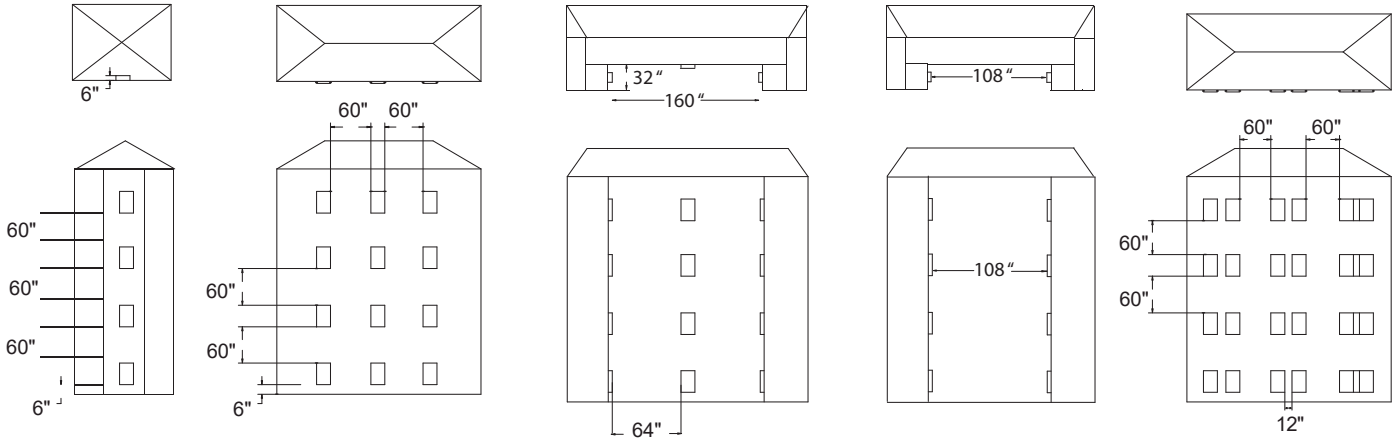


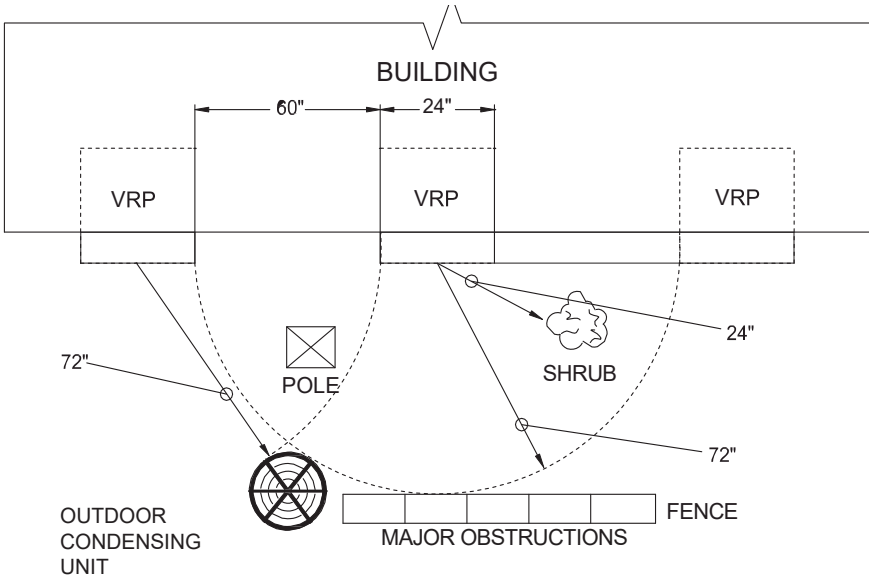
Figure A Figure B Figure C Figure D Figure E

Grill Clearance Requirements

Where obstructions are present use the following guidelines for proper spacing from the VRP exterior louvered grill. Friedrich reccomends that ALL obstructions are a minimum of 72" from the exhaust.

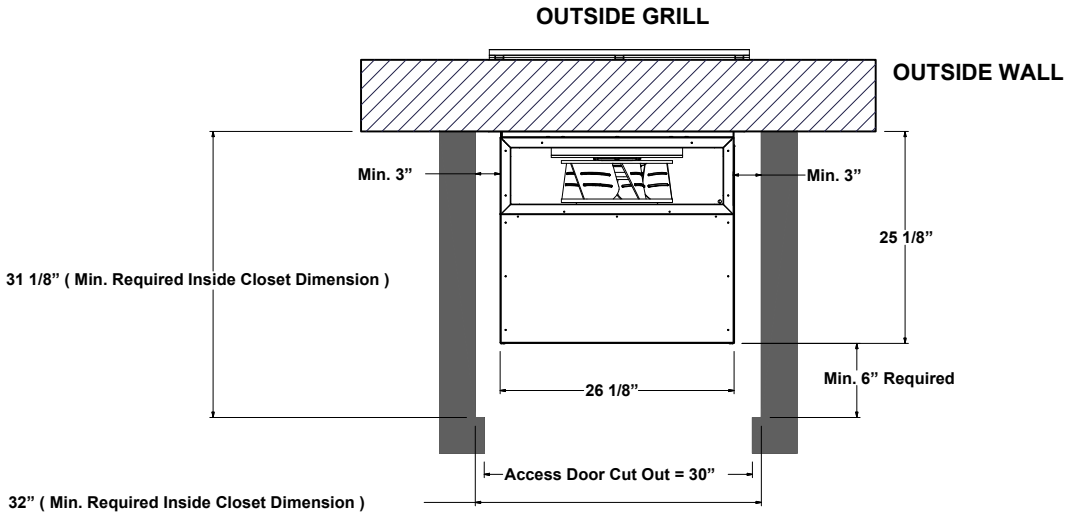
For minor obstruction(s) such as lamp poles or small shrubbery, a clearance of 24" from the outdoor louver must be maintained.

For major obstructions such as a solid fence, wall, or other heat rejecting devices like a condensing unit, a minimum distance of 72" must be kept.

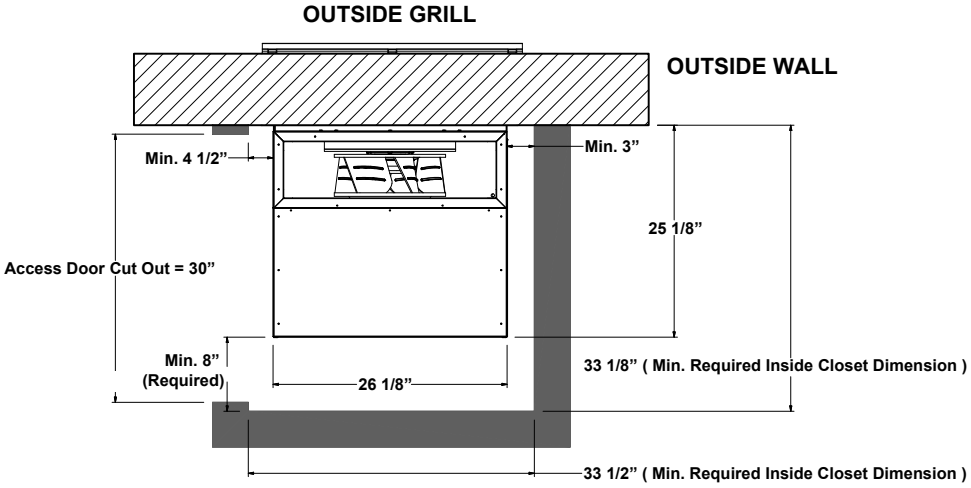


The the example pictured above is for reference only and does not represent all possible installations. Please contact Friedrich Air Conditioning for information regarding effects of other installation arrangements.

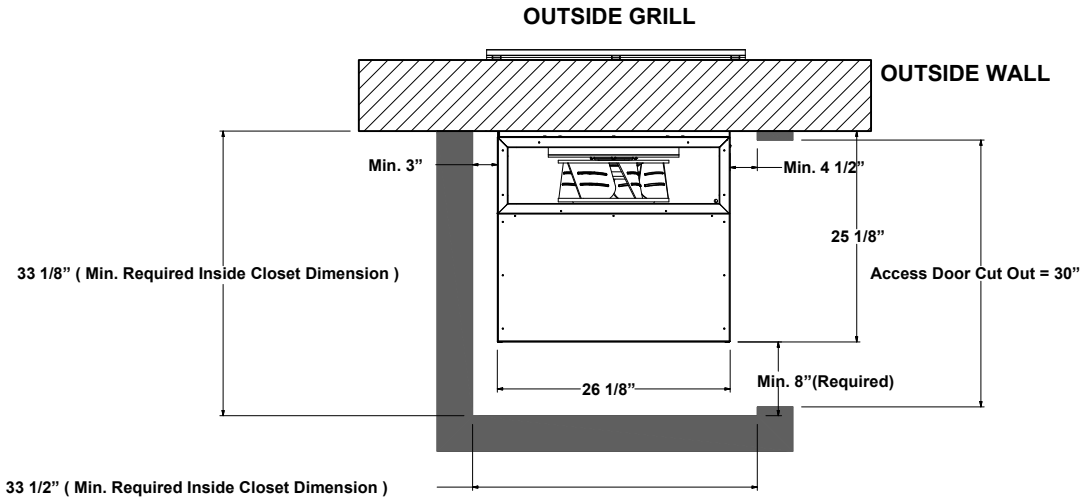
Installation Orientations



Front Installation-Top View



Left Installation-Top View



Right Installation-Top View

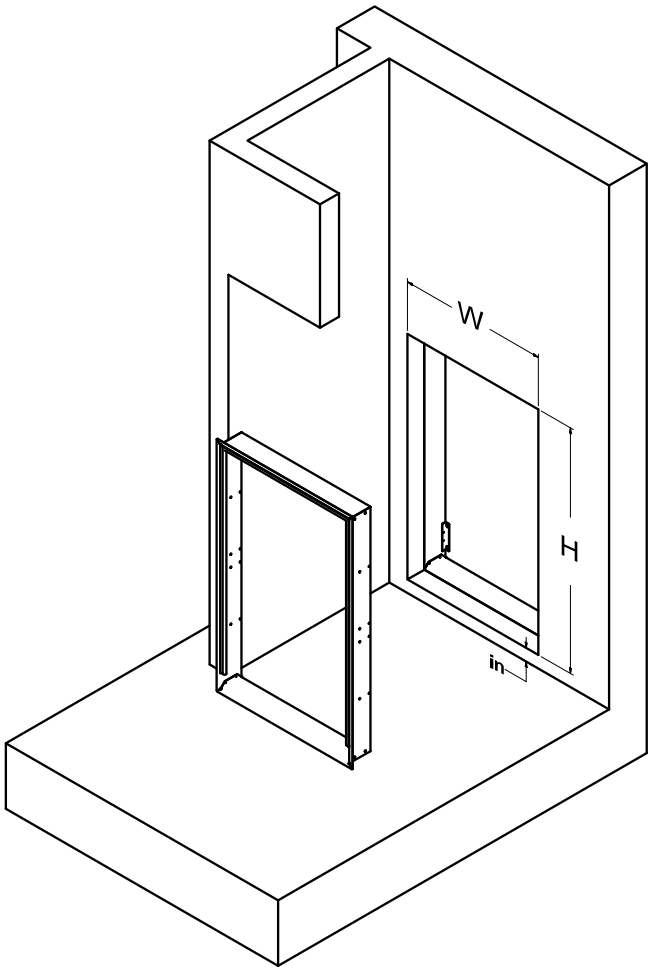
While all installation orientations are feasible, for the ease of installation and serviceability, Friedrich recommends Front Installation.

Exterior Wall Opening Dimensions

Exterior Wall Rough Opening Dimensions		
Unit	Width	Heigth
Compact (VRPXWPA-*)	28 1/8"	32 1/4"
Standard (VRPXWPB-*)	28 1/8"	42 1/4"

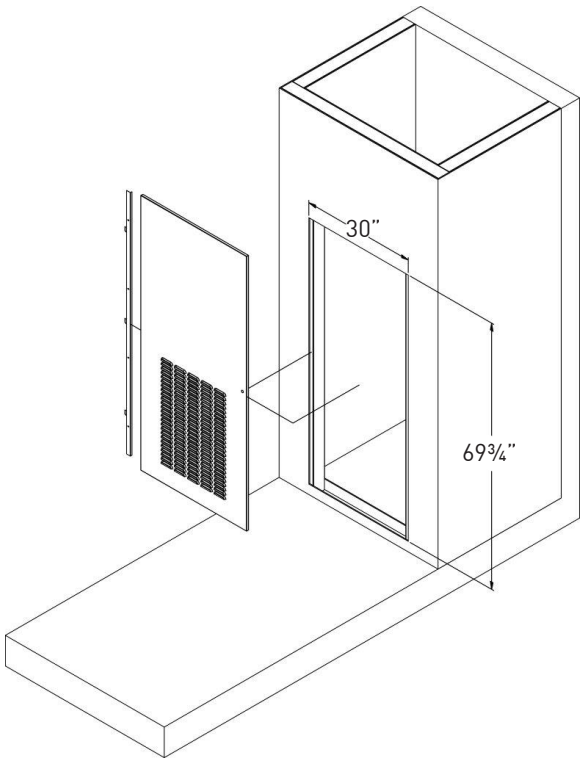
Compact (A) configuration is for VRP12K/R units only. Standard (B) configuration is for VRP12K/R and VRP24K/R units. VRP12K/R unit can be adapted to a Standard plenum with a factory provided adapter. Ensure that the correct wall plenum is selected based on unit configuration.

NOTE: The distance between the rough opening and the finished floor/platform must be 3".



Interior (Closet) Wall Opening Dimensions

Return Air Access Door Wall Cut-Out



NOTE: To maintain ease of removal and serviceability, if the unit is installed on a platform ensure that the total height of the unit from the floor does not exceed the height of the interior rough opening.

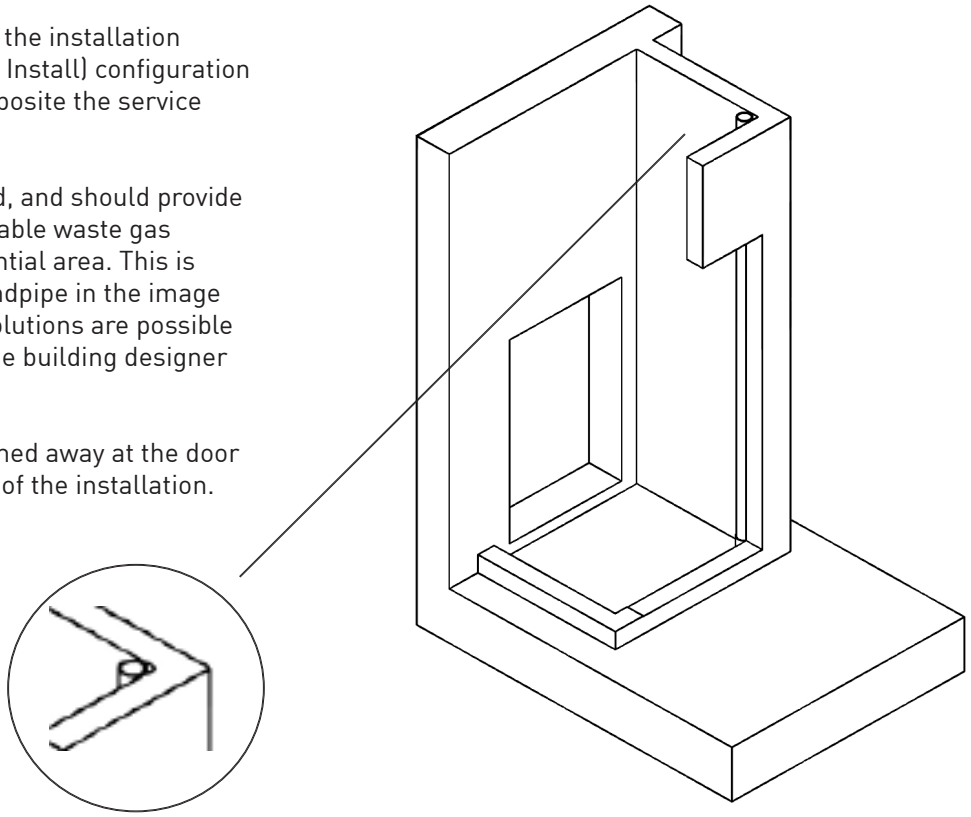
Preliminary Plumbing

Standard (Front Install)

The image to the right shows the installation closet for the standard (Front Install) configuration (where the wall plenum is opposite the service access door).

A drainage system is required, and should provide a "P-trap" to prevent undesirable waste gas from entering into the residential area. This is represented by a vertical standpipe in the image shown (Detail A), but other solutions are possible and are at the discretion of the building designer and contractor.

The near wall has been trimmed away at the door centerline to permit full view of the installation.

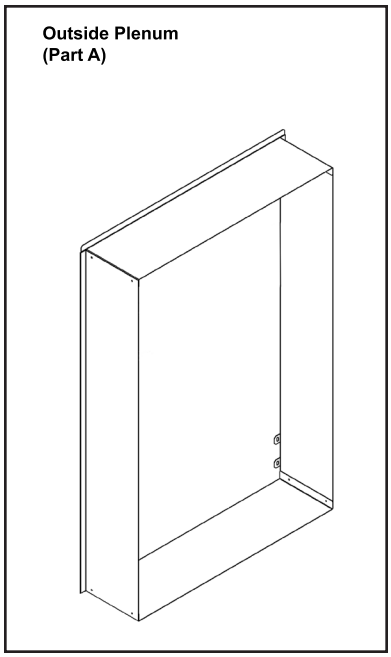


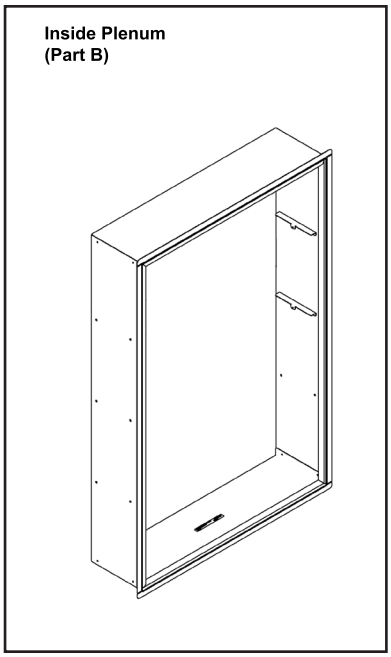
Detail A

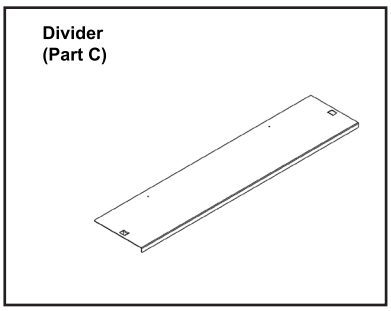
Wall Plenum Installation

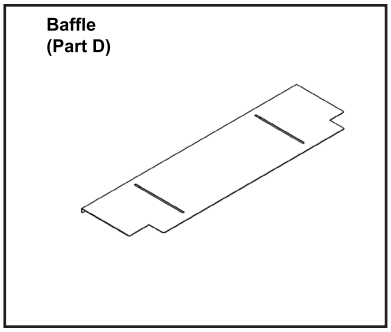
Parts included in Plenum kit:

Outside Plenum (Part A)
Inside Plenum (Part B)
Divider (Part C)
Baffle (Part D)









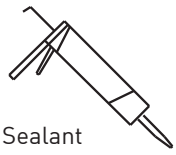
Field Supplied Parts:

Sealant, attachment screws, and flashing
are field supplied. Silicone sealant is recommended.

VRPXWPA-8, VRPXWPB-8 adjust for walls up to 4”- 8” thick.

VRPXWPA-14, VRPXWPB-14 adjust for walls up to 8” - 14” thick

All installations are similar.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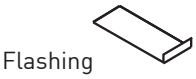
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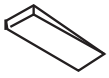
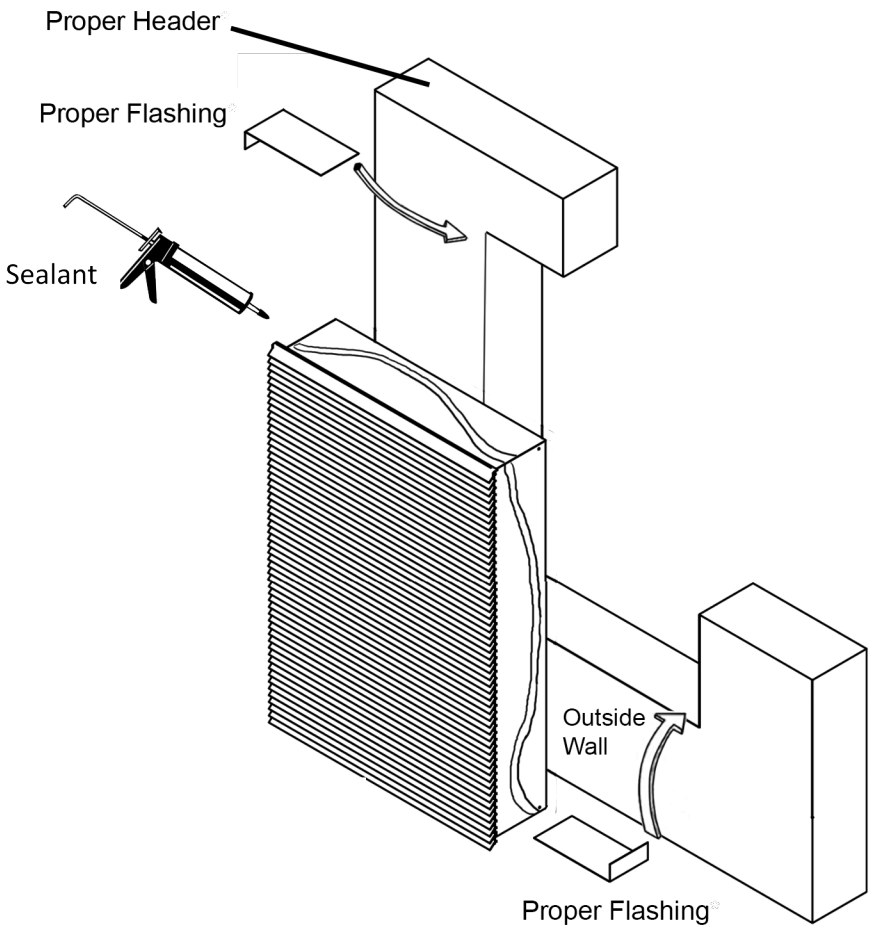

Shim


1”-3” Screws to attach the plenum assembly to the wall studs

Wall Plenum Installation

Step 1 - Outside Wall Plenum Half

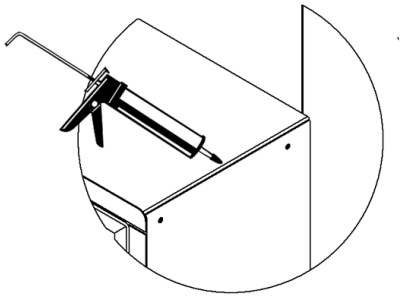


Note: The wall plenum is not designed to carry any structural load. A load bearing header must be built above the rough opening.

1) Prepare the rough opening. The rough opening should be lined with metal or wood. The plenum will warp if sealed against concrete or brick.
2) Dry fit the outside plenum half into the rough opening and check the fit and level.
3) Remove the outside plenum half, flash the rough opening to ensure proper fit and level.
4) Pre-installing the exterior louver (VRPXALA/B) as shown above is optional (See Page 17).
5) Apply sealant to the outside plenuem half and insert into the rough opening to ensure a water-tight seal. Ensure that the oustide plenum half is securely attached to the framed opening.
6) Place the plenum divider (Part C) on the appropraite divider mounting tabs located on the inner perimeter of the outside plenum half based on unit size (Compact/Standard).

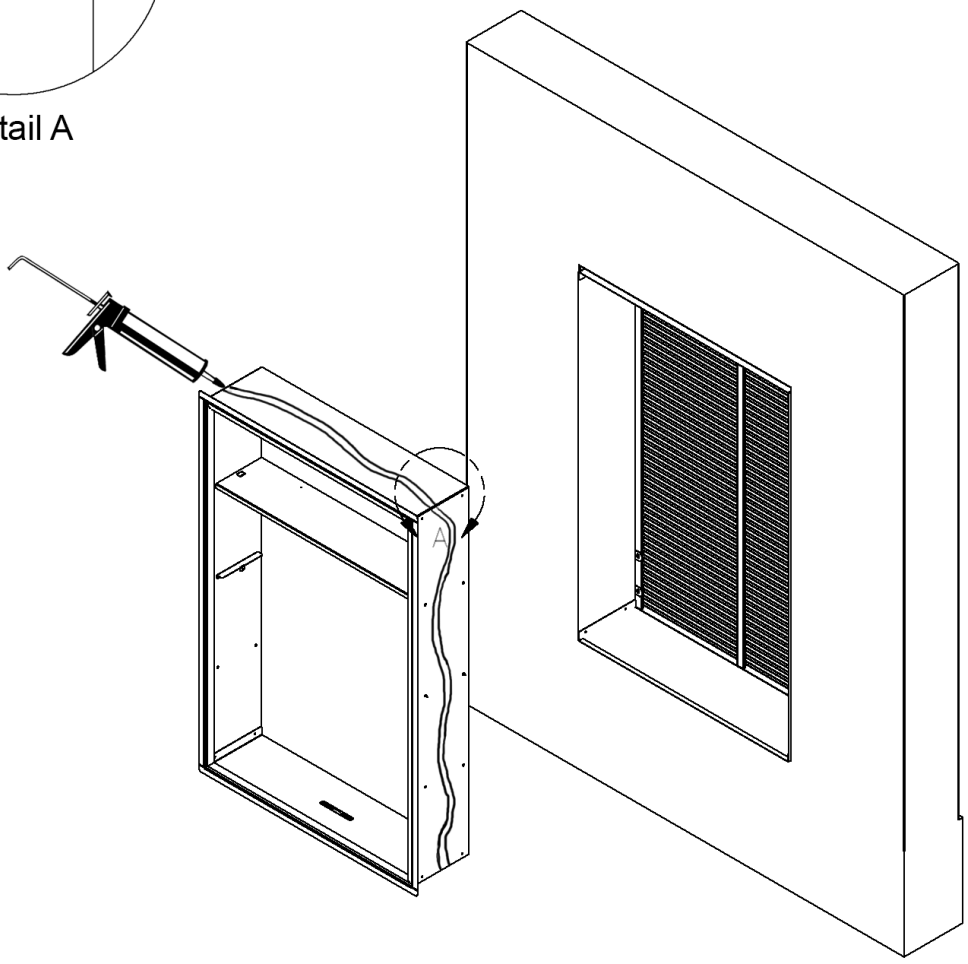
Wall Plenum Installation

Step 2 - Inside Wall Plenum Half



Apply Sealant to all
4 flange corners and
unused holes.

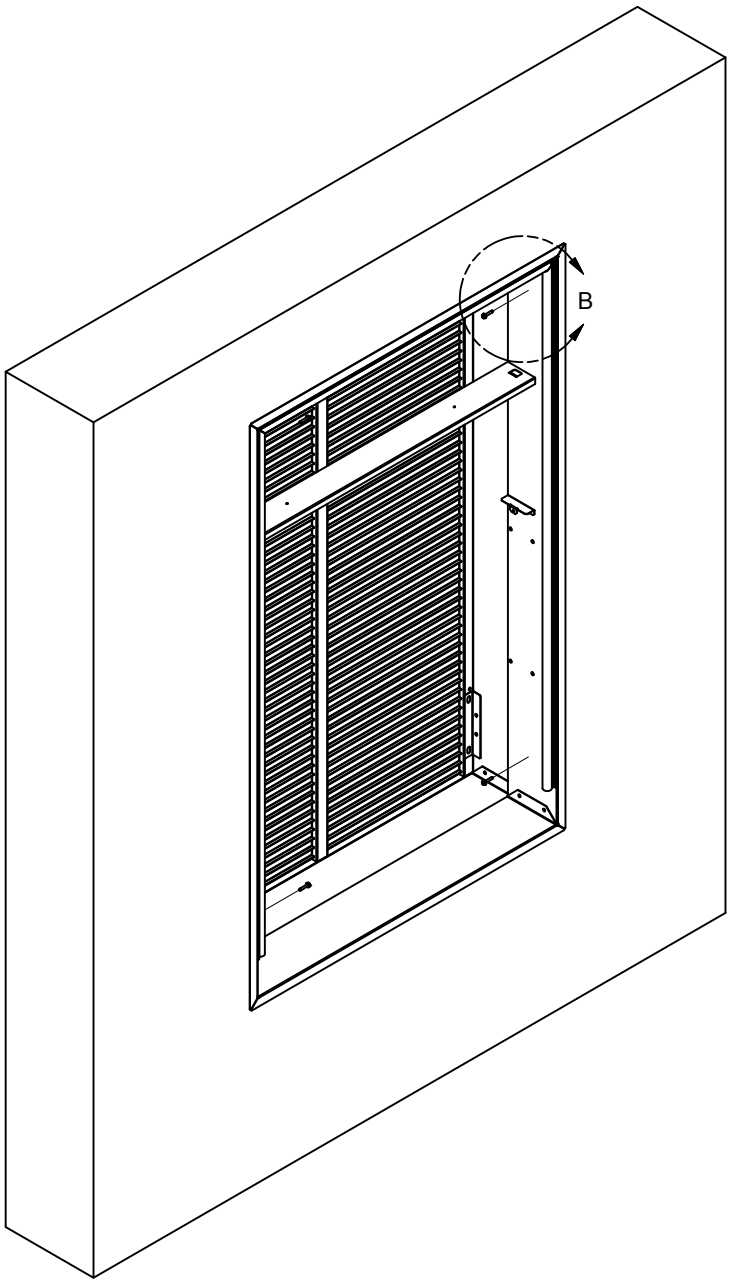
Detail A

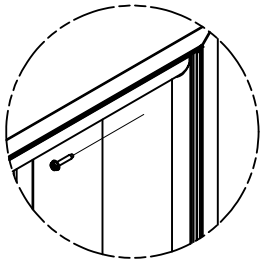


1) Apply sealant to all 4 flange corners and unused holes. See Detail A.
2) Place the baffle (Part D) on the approprate baffle mounting tabs located on the inner perimeter of the inside plenum half based on unit size (Compact/Standard).
3) Flash the inside of the rough opening to ensure the proper fit and level.
4) Insert inside plenum half (Part B) into Outside Plenum Half (Part A). Ensure that Part A does not back out of the rough opening.
5) Remove the inside plenum half.
6) Apply sealant to the outside plenuem half and insert into the rough opening to ensure a water-tight seal.

Wall Plenum Installation

Step 3 - Inside Wall Plenum (cont.)





Detail B

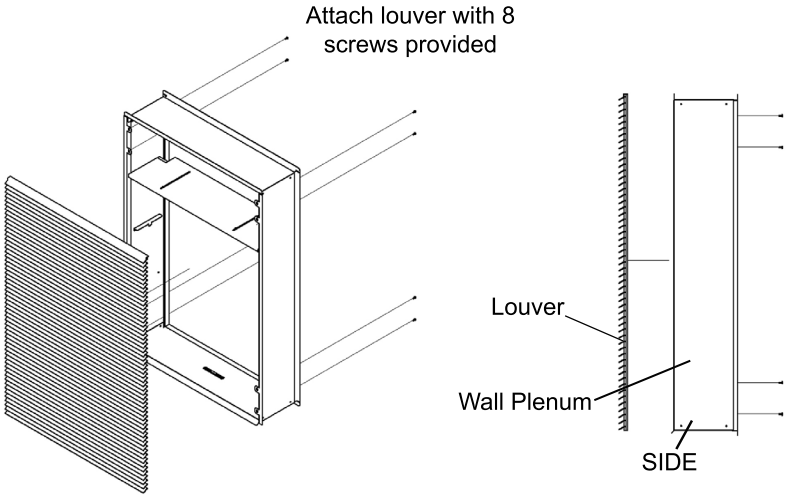
Note: Do not place any screws, fasteners, or penetrating holes through the top or bottom of the plenum assembly.

1) Drill pilot holes on the interior of the inside plenum half (Part B) as show in Detail B. Pilot holes should be located approxiamtely 4" from the top and bottom of the inside plenum half, on both the left and right sides.

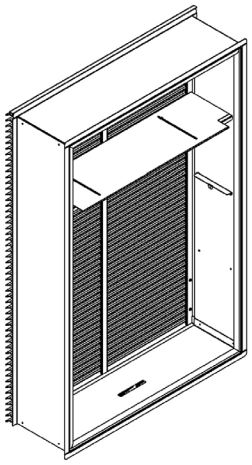
2) Install fasteners through each pilot hole. Fastener must pass through both Part A and Part B. If the inside and outside plenum halves do not overlap at fastening point, be certain to drill extra holes where needed to secure both Part A and Part B to the rough opening.

Louver Installation

Installation of the louver PRIOR to Wall Plenum Installation



NOTE: Louvers & Drip Ledge orientation is down



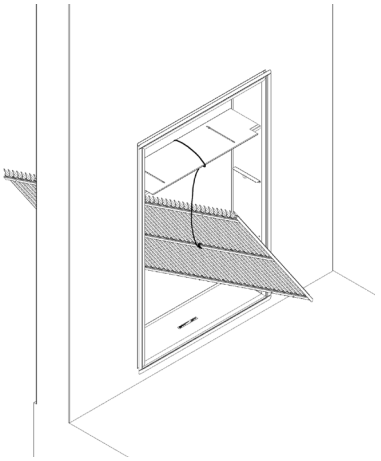
Optional Pre-assembled Outside Element (Grill and Plenum)

1) Hold the louver up to the outside plenum half (Part A) and line up the louver top with the very top edge of the ¾" flange.
2) Line up the wall plenum holes with the threaded holes in the louver and securely tighten fasteners.

Installation of the louver AFTER the installation of wall plenum on elevated floors

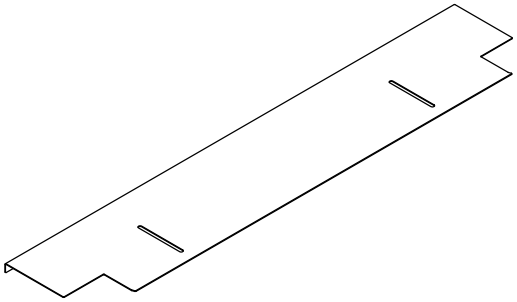
From the interior of the utility closet:

1) Tie a rope or tether to the architectural louver and the divider in the wall plenum to prevent it from falling if dropped.
3) Turn the louver sideways and push the louver out below the divider in the wall plenum.
4) Pull the louver back against the wall plenum and align the holes.
5) Insert and tighten all eight provided fasteners. When the louver is secured, remove the safety tether.

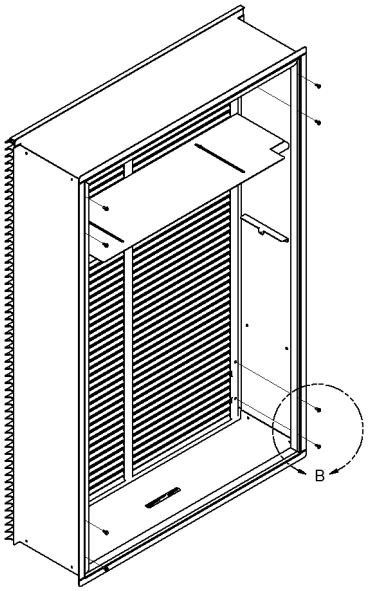


Final Wall Plenum and Architectural Louver Installation

Plenum Divider Extension Plate (Baffle)



Plenum Divider Extension Plate Installed into Full Plenum Assembly



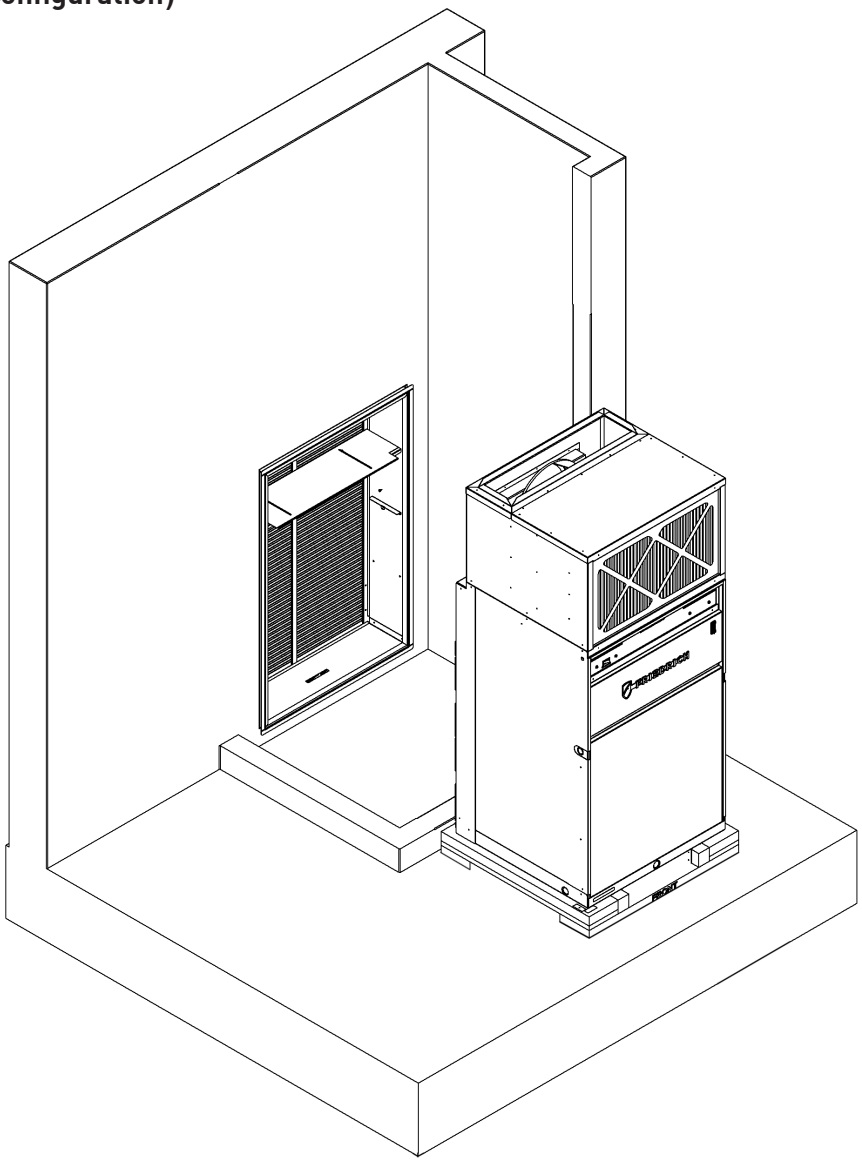
Ensure that the weather strip is undamaged and provides a continuous seal around the inner perimeter of the plenum.

Apply silicone grease or other non-petroleum-based lubricants to the weather strip to enhance the sealing capability of the weather strip and ease installation of the air conditioner chassis.

1) Install the plenum adjuster plate. Ensure the exterior edge is seated against the inside of the archetiectural louver.
2) Secure the plenum divider extension plate to the archetiectural louver using the two provided screws.
3) Use tape and sealant to seal any gaps.

Unit Installation

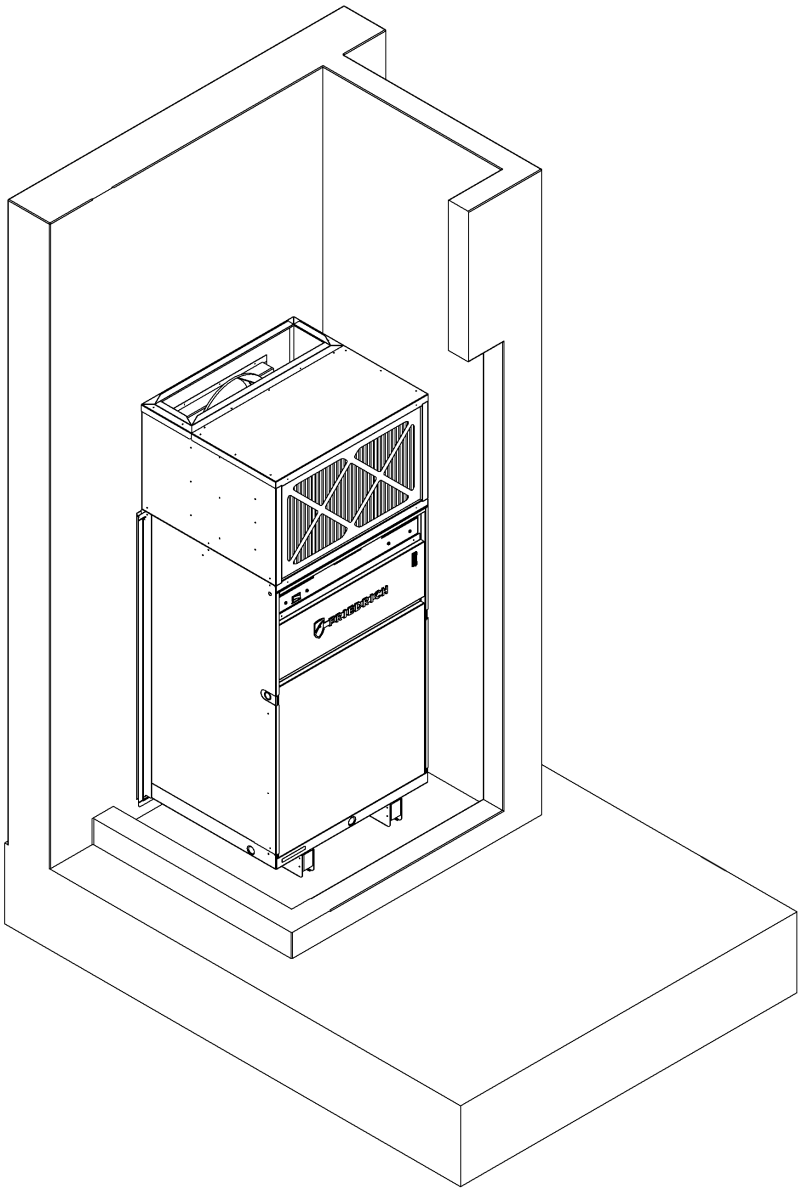
Unit Placement Prior to Installation (Front-Install Configuration)



All louver, plenum, rough plumbing, and rough wiring steps must be complete prior to final installation of the air conditioning chassis.

Final Unit Installation Overview

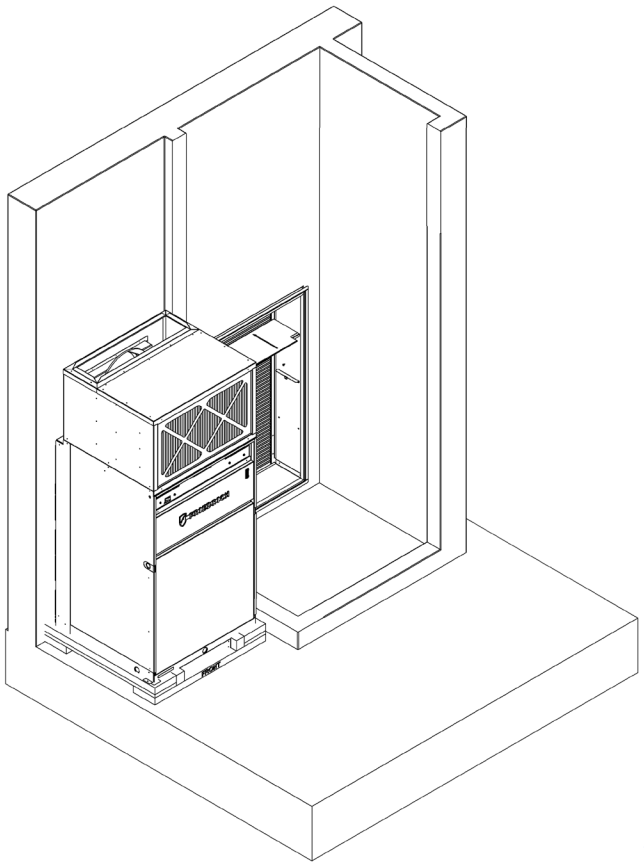
Unit Final Placement - Front Install



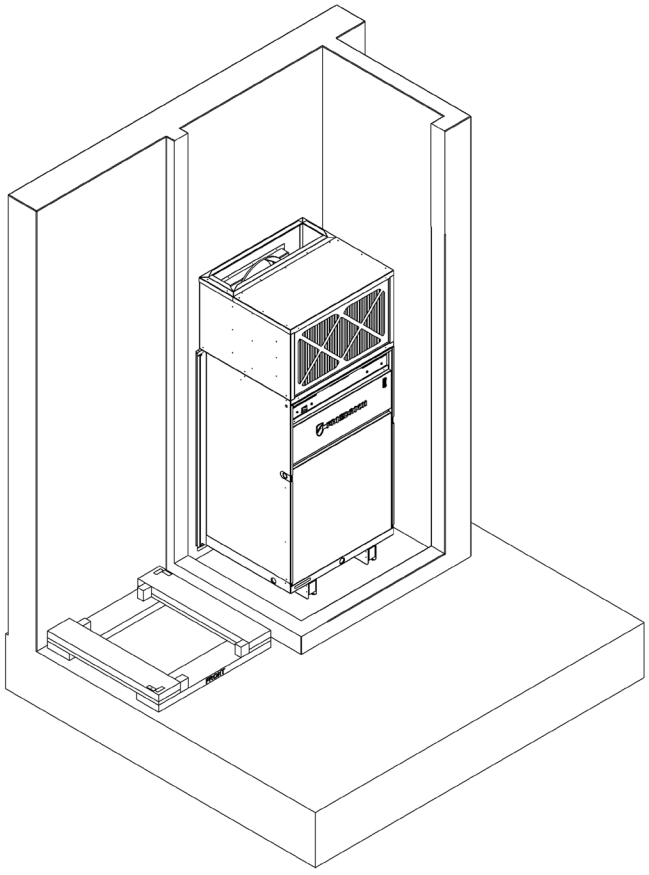
1) Ensure that power if off at the junction box feeding power to the air conditioner until all process steps are completed.
2) Move the unit from the shipping base and onto the installation site.
3) Insert the unit's rear extension into the wall plenum. There should be approximately 2" of penetration of the unit into the wall plenum, resulting in a complete seal all around.
4) Identify the appropriate drain port to use and complete plumbing (See Page 26).
5) Attach the ductwork to the unit at the supply-air outlet and ensure the seal is air tight (See Page 27).
6) Wire and connect the wall controller (See Pages 28).
7) Connect the main power (See Page 29).

Side Configuration Installation

Left Install VRP Unit
Prepared for Installation



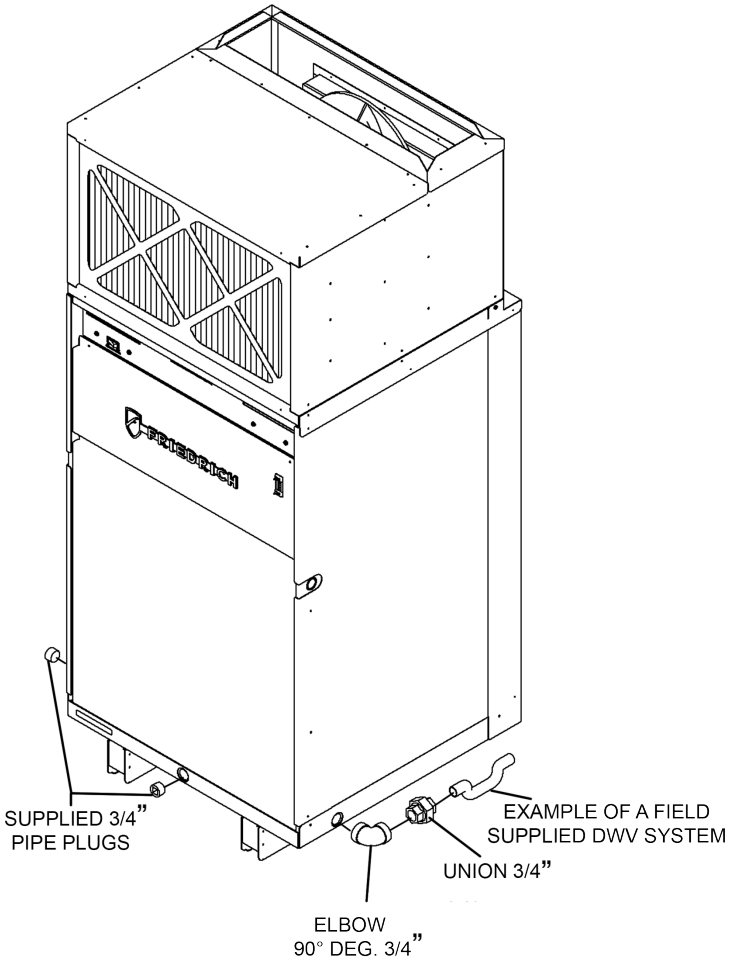
Left Install VRP Unit
in Closet (Fully Installed)



For side-install applications, place the unit adjacent to the closet and slide it in. Then, slide the unit backwardward into the plenum.

Final Drain Installation

Unit Drain Installation



NOTE: Failure to follow the following procedures may result in serious property damage. A field supplied secondary condensate pan may be required. Check with local codes. In case of drainage system blockage, the unit base will allow excess water to flow out of the unit through the plenum and the architectural louver. It is critical to ensure that the drainage path is not blocked or obstructed in any way during installation.

1) Connect the supplied drain kit must be connected to one of the three (left, right or rear) 3/4" FPT connections on the unit basepan. Use of rear fitting without connection to DWV system (drain, waste, vent) may result in staining of the outside wall.

2) Insert the provided 3/4" nipple into the determined connection using field-supplied Teflon tape or pipe joint compound.

3) With the slip end of a 3/4" union, connect to the nipple with Teflon tape or pipe joint compound.

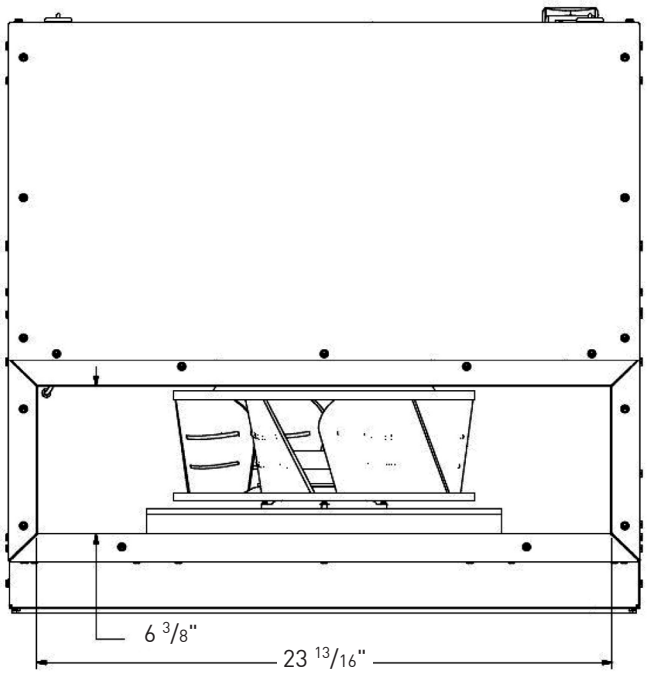
4) Hand-tighten all fittings to prevent damage to unit or fittings.

5) Install a field-supplied drain system to the slip end of the union. A trap is required and drain connections should be connected to building DWV system. Pitch the drain line of a 1/4" downward slope for every foot (1') of lateral horizontal run to the DWV.

6) Plug the two unused connection ports with the two provide 3/4" pipe plugs and field-supplied Teflon tape or pipe joint compound. High tighten to prevent damage to the unit or fittings. Do not thread metal or copper pipe fittings directly into unit.

7) Check the system for leaks.

Ductwork Installation



Supply air duct connection is the responsibility of the installer and should be installed per industry best practices.

Sheet metal or duct board may be used for the transition from the discharge to 10" or larger diameter flexible ducting.

Avoid sharp transitions in the ductwork to ensure optimal indoor blower performance.

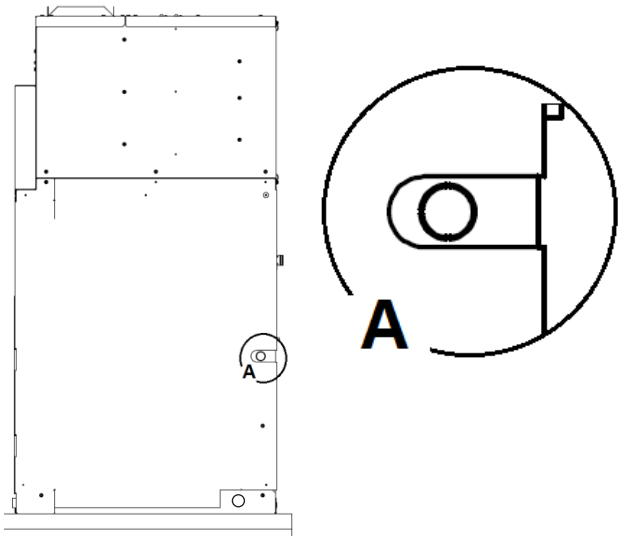
Allow at least 12" (18" preferred) from the discharge of the unit to the final reduced-size transition to support optimal efficiency of the blower system.

Wall Controller Installation

Please check the Instruction and Operational manual of the VRPX*4 Thermostat for detailed installation. All units are equipped with a RJ-45 connection in front to be able to connect to a wired or wireless thermostat.

VRP units are only compatible with Friedrich VRPX*4 controller.

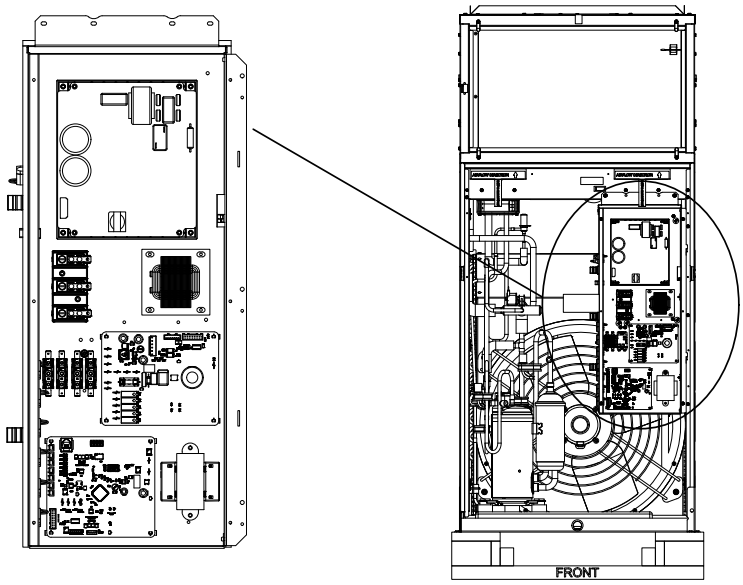
Electrical Installation

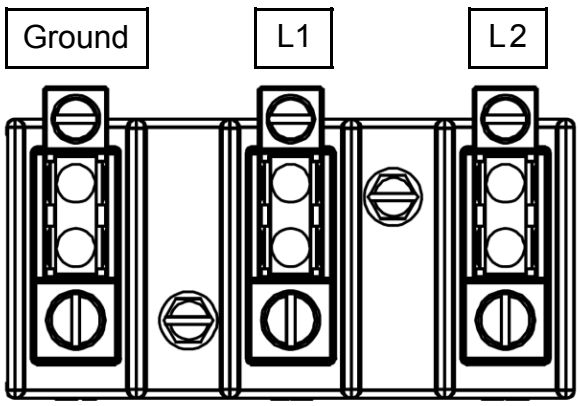


Remove and discard hole knock-out from the side of the unit (Detail A)

Remove the electrical access panel to expose the incoming Power terminal block (Detail C, see below)

NOTE: Replaceable Fuses must be Time-Delay/Slow Blow, 3AB 1.0A, 400VDC

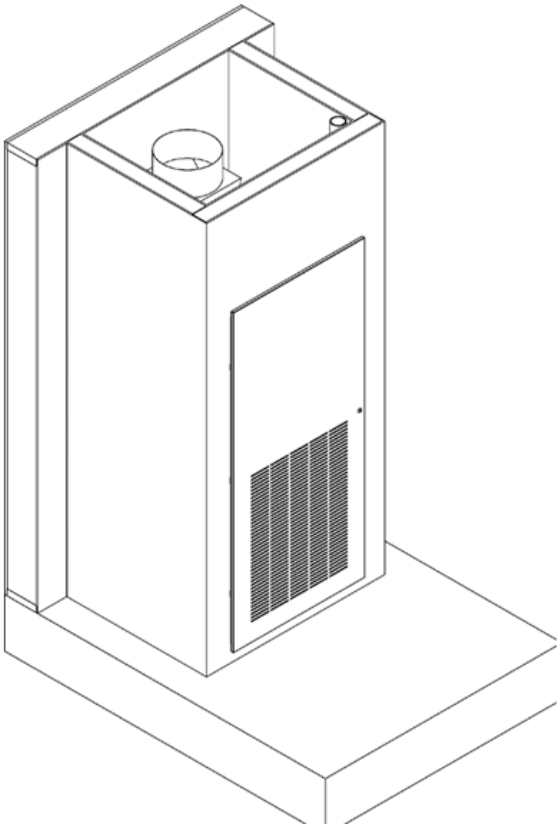




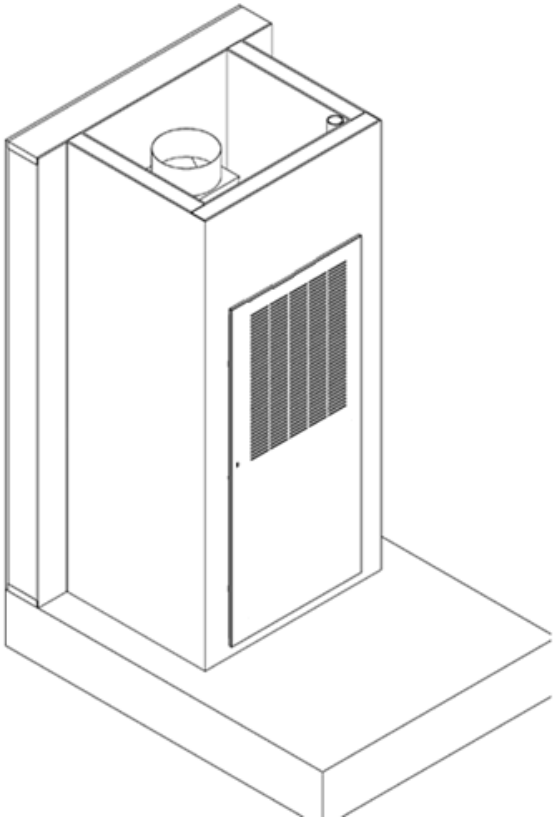
Insert all wires through the punched out hole and fasten wires as follows:

Return Air Door Installation

Option 1



Option 2



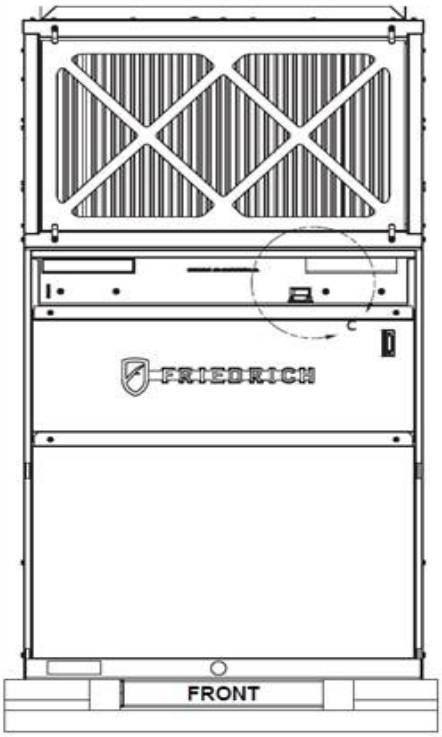
The door panel is supported along one edge by the provided hinge. The opposite edge has a latch which secures the panel to the adjacent framed structure.

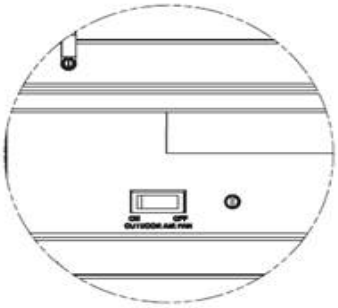
The kit contains hinge bracket for mounting the door with the return air openings low (shown in option 1) or high (shown in Option 2) on the door. For increased sound reduction, it is recommended to install the door with the return air opening in the high position.

The door panel has a provision for filter installation on the door. This feature is only usable when the door is installed in the lower orientation (Option 1) and the unit filter has been removed.

The unit should not be operated with both the unit filter and the door filter installed.

FreshAire™ System Set-Up and Operation





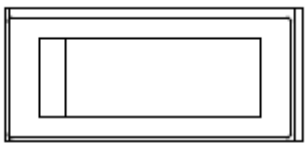
DETAIL C

If equipped with the FreshAire™ System, the unit will come with a FreshAire filter and blank-off plate.

Remove the blank-off plate prior to turning the unit on.

To remove the blank off plate, pull the attached tab shown in Detail A. The blank-off plate can be discarded or retained for future use.

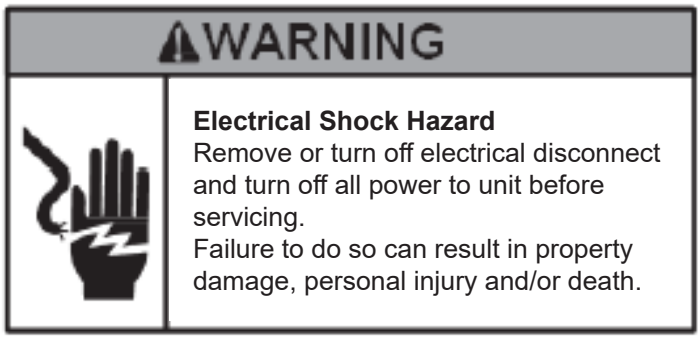
To engage the FreshAire™ System, flip the switch into the On Position.



Basepan Heater

Basepan Heat Thermostat
VRP model numbers that end with the 'L' character will come equipped with a basepan heater. The basepan heat engages and disengages automatically based on outdoor ambient and base-pan temperatures.

Final Installation Checklist



- Inspect and ensure that all components and accessories have been installed properly and that they have not been damaged during the installation process.
- Ensure that all installation instructions concerning clearances around the unit have been adhered to.
- Check to ensure that the unit air filter, indoor coil, and outdoor coil are free from any obstructions.
- Ensure that the circuit breaker(s) or fuse(s) and supply circuit wire size have been sized correctly.
- Check the condensate water drain(s) to ensure that they are adequate for the removal of condensate water and that they meet approval of the end user.
- Ensure that the entire installation is in compliance with all applicable national and local codes and ordinances having jurisdiction.
- **ENSURE THAT THE SUPPLY VOLTAGE TO THE UNIT IS WITHIN THE OPERATING RANGE**
- Secure all access panels (i.e. front cover and/or control box), apply power to the unit.
  The unit commissioning should be done at this time to ensure unit function.

  NOTE: Maintaining a log for recording the dates of maintenance and/or service is recommended, and should be suggested to the owner or operator of the equipment.

- Present the owner or operator of the equipment with the Installation & Operation Manual, all accessory installation instructions, and the name, address and telephone number of the Authorized Friedrich Warranty Service Company in the area for future reference if necessary.

Chassis Operation

Cooling Operation

The set point must be at least 3°F below room temperature to ensure compressor operation.
In the cooling mode, when demand is present, the indoor blower and outdoor fan will operate. The compressor will vary operating speed to maintain desired set point.

Heat Pump Operation

The set point must be greater than 3°F but not greater than 6°F above room temperature to ensure compressor operation.
In the heating mode, when demand is present, the indoor blower and outdoor fan will operate. The compressor will vary operating speed to maintain desired set point.

Electric Heat Operation

If the set-point is greater than 5°F - 15°F (depending on outdoor conditions) above room temperature, the heat pump operation will be terminated and the electric heater will be energized to satisfy the heating demand.
If heat pump operation is not available due to defrost or error, the electric heater will be used to satisfy heating demand.

FreshAire™

The FreshAire™ System (optional) delivers outside air to the indoor space. The system has a fan that draws outdoor air into the system. The outdoor air enters the system through a filter and enters the indoor space in front of the indoor conditioning coil. The outdoor air mixes with the return air and is drawn through the indoor conditioning coil. The optional system can be configured to have either a single (F option) outdoor air fan and filter, or dual (D option) outdoor air fans and filters.

The FreshAire™ System uses a 6 x 6 x 1 filter (quantity of 1 for option F and 2 for option D). The filters are accessed through the front of the unit just below the main unit filter. Slide the filter straight out to remove and straight in to replace.

Service & Warranty

Servicing / Chassis Quick Change Outs

The chassis is designed for quick disconnect and change out. For minor electrical service, the Electrical Access Panel is easily removable once the screws are removed. For major electrical,refrigeration and fan service the chassis may be removed from utility closet.

⚠WARNING

Electrical Shock Hazard
Remove or turn off electrical disconnect and turn off all power to unit before servicing.
Failure to do so can result in property damage, personal injury and/or death.

Routine Maintenance Performing Routine Maintenance

With proper maintenance and care, your system will operate economically and dependably. Maintenance can be accomplished easily by referring to the following directions. However, before performing any maintenance, see above stated WARNING.

⚠CAUTION

Cut/Sever Hazard
Some edges may be sharp, use gloves or other hand protection when handling unit.
Failure to do so can result in minor to moderate personal injury.

Replace Air Filter

A dirty air filter reduces the efficiency of your VRP unit and allows lint and dirt to accumulate on the indoor-air coil. Lint and dirt on the indoor- air coil can damage your unit.
The air filter should be replaced as it becomes dirty.
To replace the chassis mounted return air filter:

1. Slide the holders away from the filter.
2. Remove the filter.
3. Install a new disposable filter.
4. The unit filter size is 14" x 24" x 1"

NOTE: DO NOT OPERATE YOUR SYSTEM WITHOUT A FILTER IN PLACE OR BLOCK THE FRONT OF THE UNIT RETURN AIR OPENING.

To Remove the Chassis from the Closet:

A. Switch the wall controller off.
B. Disconnect the power coming into the unit from the main breaker panel or the closet mounted disconnect.
C. Disconnect the electrical connection.
D. Disconnect the duct work.
E. Slide the chassis out of the wall plenum.
F. Slide and slightly lift the chassis out of the utility closet.

Inspect and Clean Indoor Air Coil

Eventually, minor amounts of lint and dirt may pass through the filter and collect on the indoor-air coil. These minor accumulations can be carefully vacuumed away with a brush attachment on a vacuum cleaner. Care must be taken to avoid bending the aluminum fins on the coil. Bent fins should be straightened using a special fin tool available from most HVAC supply depots.

Inspect Outdoor Air (OA) Intake and Exhaust

The unit's outdoor-air intake and outdoor-air exhaust paths must remain clear. Keep it free of all debris, snow, or ice. The OA intake should also be kept free of obstructions. Blocking the OA exhaust or OA intake opening will reduce the efficiency of your unit and could damage it.

Inspect and Clean Condensate Drain

The condensate drain must be routed to a suitable drainage area. Check the unit condensate drain periodically. Keep it free of anything that may block or impede the flow of condensate water. If there is any accumulation of foreign matter in the drain pipe, it should be removed and cleaned. The entire drain line must be protected from freezing.

Warranty

All warranty service work must be done by an authorized servicer. See Product Warranty, and consult your dealer or contractor for details.

Electronic Control Error Code Diagnostics and Test Mode

Error Code Diagnostics

The VRP electronic control continuously monitors the unit operation and will store error codes if certain conditions are witnessed. In some cases the unit may take action and shut the unit off until conditions are corrected.
Refer to the service manual for fault codes and troubleshooting

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VRP Variable Refrigerant Packaged Heat Pump

LIMITED WARRANTY

1. A) ONE YEAR PARTS WARRANTY - FRIEDRICH AIR CONDITIONING CO. (FRIEDRICH) warrants to the original end-user of this product that should it prove defective due to improper workmanship and/or material under normal use for a period of one year commencing from the date of installation or 120 days after original end-user purchase, whichever comes first, FRIEDRICH will repair or replace, at its option, any defective part without charge for the part. Replacement parts are warranted for the remainder of the original warranty period.

B) THIS WARRANTY DOES NOT INCLUDE LABOR or other cost incurred for servicing, repairing, removing, installing, shipping, or handling of either defective or replacement parts, or complete unit. Such cost may be covered by a separate warranty provided by the installing contractor.

C) SECOND THROUGH FIFTH YEAR (Sixty (60) months commencing from the date of installation or 120 days after original end-user purchase, whichever comes first). On the sealed REFRIGERATION SYSTEM. Any part of the sealed refrigeration system that is defective in material or workmanship will be repaired or replaced free of charge (excluding freight charges) by our authorized service center during normal working hours. The sealed refrigeration system consists of the compressor, metering device, evaporator, condenser, reversing valve, check valve, and the interconnecting tubing. LABOR IS NOT INCLUDED FOR INSTALLING REPLACEMENT PARTS.
These warranties apply only while the unit remains at the original site and only to units installed inside the continental United States, Alaska, Hawaii, Puerto Rico, and Canada. The warranty applies only if the unit is installed and operated in accordance with the printed instructions and in compliance with applicable local installation and building codes and good trade practices. For international warranty information, contact the Friedrich Air Conditioning Company - International Division.

D) NOTICE: To obtain service and/or warranty parts replacement, you must notify an authorized FRIEDRICH Air Conditioning Co. distributor, dealer, or contractor of any defect within the applicable warranty period.

2. Any defective part to be replaced must be made available to FRIEDRICH in exchange for the replacement part. You must present proof of the original date of installation of the product in order to establish the effective date of the warranty. Otherwise, the effective date will be deemed to be the date of purchase plus thirty days. The return of the owner registration card is not a condition of warranty coverage. However, please detach and return it so that we can contact you should a question of safety arise which could affect you.

3. TO OBTAIN WARRANTY SERVICE, please contact your authorized FRIEDRICH distributor, dealer, or the contractor who installed the equipment. If your dealer or contractor needs assistance, the authorized FRIEDRICH distributor is available for consultation, and FRIEDRICH supports the efforts of the distributor.

4. This limited warranty applies only to units remaining at the site of the original installation (except for mobile home installations) and only to units installed within the continental United States, Alaska, Hawaii, and Canada. This limited warranty applies only if the unit is installed and operated in accordance with FRIEDRICH instructions and in compliance with applicable local installation and building codes and good trade practices.

5. THIS WARRANTY DOES NOT COVER damages caused by: (a) accident, abuse, negligence, or misuse; (b) operating the product in a corrosive atmosphere containing chlorine, fluorine or any other damaging chemicals; (c) modification, alteration, poor service practices; (d) improper matching or application of the product or components; (e) failure to provide proper maintenance and service to the product according to manufacturer's instructions; (f) installation or operating of the product in a manner contrary to the instructions of the manufacturer; (g) lightning, fluctuations in electrical power or other Acts of God; (h) operation of the unit during construction. This LIMITED WARRANTY also excludes all cost of installation, disconnection or dismantling the product, parts used in connection with normal maintenance such as air filters or belts and owner-required maintenance. Consult the instructions enclosed with the product for information regarding recommended maintenance.

6. No one is authorized to change this LIMITED WARRANTY in any respect, or to create any other obligation or liability in connection with this product.

7. YOUR ONLY REMEDIES ARE PROVIDED IN THIS LIMITED WARRANTY. ANY EXPRESS WARRANTY NOT PROVIDED HEREIN, AND ANY REMEDY WHICH, BUT FOR THIS PROVISION, MIGHT ARISE BY IMPLICATION OR OPERATION OF LAW, IS HEREBY EXCLUDED AND DISCLAIMED. THE IMPLIED WARRANTIES OF MERCHANTABILITY AND OF FITNESS FOR ANY PARTICULAR PURPOSE ARE EXPRESSLY LIMITED TO A TERM OF ONE YEAR FROM THE DATE OF ORIGINAL INSTALLATION. UNDER NO CIRCUMSTANCES SHALL FRIEDRICH BE LIABLE TO THE OWNER OR ANY OTHER PERSON FOR ANY INCIDENTAL, SPECIAL OR CONSEQUENTIAL DAMAGES IN CONNECTION WITH THIS PRODUCT, WHETHER ARISING OUT OF BREACH OF WARRANTY, BREACH OF CONTRACT OR OTHERWISE.

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

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

10. This warranty is valid in the U.S.A. and Canada and is not transferable. (1-2024)

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