Installation, Care & Use Manual

TOOLS AND MATERIALS YOU WILL NEED:
Slotted Screwdriver, Adjustable Pliers, Plumber’s Putty, Electrical Tape

TOOLS, MATERIALS, AND ACCESSORIES YOU MAY NEED:
Phillips Screwdriver, Drain Auger, 3/8" Electrical Clamp connector, Wire Nuts (2), Second 1 1/2" Drain Trap, Hammer, Hacksaw, Water Hose Clamp, Pipe Wrench, Copper Ground Wire, dishwasher Drain Connection Kit, Air Gap, Electrical On/Off Switch, Drain Tube Extension, 1/4" Allen Wrench

⚠️ Read through the entire Installation, Care & Use manual before installing the disposer. Determine which of the tools, materials, and accessories you will need before you begin. Make sure you have all necessary disposer parts before installing the disposer (see part identification diagram below).

Mounting Assembly
A: Stopper
B: Sink Flange
C: Fiber Gasket
D: Backup Ring
E: Mounting Ring
F: Screws (3)
G: Snap Ring

Disposer
H: Mounting Gasket/Splash Baffle
I: Lower Mounting Ring
J: Dishwasher Inlet
K: Discharge Outlet

Discharge
L: Bolts (2)
M: Discharge Tube (1-1/2" Diam.)
N: Flange
O: Gasket

SAFETY SYMBOLS

⚠️ WARNING ⚠️ Warning indicates a hazardous situation which, if not avoided, could result in death or serious injury.

⚠️ CAUTION ⚠️ Caution indicates a hazardous situation which, if not avoided, may result in minor or moderate injury.

⚠️ NOTICE ⚠️ Notice is used to address practices not related to personal injury.
1 CHECK INSTALLATION DIMENSIONS

A: Disposer Height
B: Distance from bottom of sink bowl to centerline of discharge outlet. (Add 1/2” when stainless steel sink is used.)
C: Distance from centerline of the discharge outlet to end of discharge tube.
D: Disposer Width
E: Distance from disposer vertical centerline to centerline of P-trap connection.
F: Centerline of disposer discharge to centerline at waste pipe entering wall.

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If this is a first time installation, continue with Instruction 2.

2 DISCONNECT SINK DRAIN

1. Loosen nut (A) at top of “P-trap” with pipe wrench (see Figure 2-1).
2. Loosen nut (B) at top of extension pipe. Remove extension pipe.
3. Loosen nut (C) at base of sink flange. (If nut is corroded or too tight, apply penetrating lubricant.)
4. Push sink flange up through sink hole and remove it (see Figure 2-2).
5. Clean sink flange area of any putty or other debris.

3 DISASSEMBLE NEW DISPOSER MOUNTING ASSEMBLY

1. Insert 1/4 inch allen wrench (or screwdriver) into one mounting lug and hold lower mounting ring securely with one hand (see Figure 3-1). With your other hand, turn mounting assembly counterclockwise to remove mounting assembly from lower mounting ring.
2. Turn mounting assembly over (see Figure 3-2) and loosen three mounting screws (A) until you can access snap ring (B).
3. Use screwdriver to pry snap ring off of sink flange. Mounting assembly will now come apart.

4 INSTALL FLANGE IN SINK HOLE

1. Roll 1/4 pound (4 oz.) of non-hardening plumber’s putty to make 3/4" thick rope to seal around sink flange.
2. Apply putty evenly around sink hole (see Figure 4-1).
3. Press sink flange slowly but firmly into sink drain hole to seat evenly on putty (see Figure 4-2). Use screwdriver or putty knife to scrape all putty from edge of sink hole.

NOTICE

Do not use plumber's putty on any other disposer connection - it may harm disposer and cause property damage.

5 ATTACH UPPER MOUNTING ASSEMBLY TO SINK FLANGE

You may wish to place a weighted object in the sink to hold the sink flange in place. (Place a towel under object in sink to prevent scratching.) Reference Figure 5-1 for part identification.
1. Working from under sink, slip fiber gasket and metal backup ring over sink flange.
2. Holding fiber gasket and backup ring in place, slip mounting ring over sink flange so it seats against backup ring.
3. With the fiber gasket, backup ring, and mounting ring tight to sink bottom, slide snap ring onto sink flange until it pops into groove on flange*.
4. Tighten three mounting screws up to sink until mounting assembly is seated tightly and evenly against sink.

* Placing a thick, wide rubber band around the sink flange (above the snap ring groove) may help hold parts in place while installing snap ring. (Remember to remove rubber band after snap ring is installed.)

If you are replacing an existing disposer, go to Instruction 6. If this is a first time installation, skip ahead to Instruction 7.
6  REMOVE EXISTING DISPOSER

1. Turn off electrical power at fuse box or circuit breaker.

**WARNING**

**Personal Injury**
- Do not position your head or body under disposer; unit could fall during removal or installation.

**WARNING**

**Electric Shock**
- Turn off electrical power at fuse box or circuit breaker before removing electrical cover plate.
- Disposer must be grounded. Improper connection can result in electric shock.

2. Disconnect drain trap from disposer waste discharge tube with adjustable pliers (see Fig. 6-1). (Also disconnect dishwasher drain connection, if req'd.)

3. Support disposer with one hand and insert end of 1/4 inch allen wrench or screwdriver into right side of one mounting lug on lower mounting ring (see Figure 6-2). Lift disposer slightly and loosen lower mounting ring by pushing or pulling allen wrench or screwdriver to left until disposer is free from mounting assembly. (Disposer may be heavy - provide support.)

4. With electrical supply turned off, turn disposer upside down and remove electrical cover plate (see Figure 6-3). Loosen green ground screw and remove wire nuts (see Figure 6-4). Disconnect disposer wires from electrical supply wires. Loosen screw(s) on electrical clamp connector and remove wires from disposer.

- If the new disposer mounting is the same as old one, remove mounting assembly from disposer (Instruction 3) and go to Instruction 7.
- If the new disposer mounting is different from the old one (or you wish to replace the old sink flange) you must complete Steps 5 - 6 and Instructions 2 - 5, then continue with Instruction 7.

5. Loosen three mounting screws, pry snap ring off with screwdriver, and remove old mounting assembly (see Figure 6-5). (Some mounting assembly removal requires additional tools.)

6. Push old sink flange up through sink hole (see Figure 6-6). Use screwdriver or putty knife to scrape all old putty from edge of sink hole.

7  CLEAN SINK DRAIN LINE

Failure to clean sink drain line may result in drain line blockage.
1. Remove P-trap.
2. With drain auger, clear all hardened waste material in horizontal drain line.

If you are not connecting a dishwasher to disposer, go to Instruction 9.

8  PREPARE DISHWASHER DRAIN CONNECTION (IF APPLICABLE)

The knockout drain plug should only be removed if you are connecting a built-in dishwasher to the disposer.

**NOTICE**

If the dishwasher connection is made without removing the plug, the dishwasher may overflow. (Connections must comply with local plumbing codes.)

**Remove Knockout Plug**
1. Lay disposer on its side and insert screwdriver into dishwasher inlet so tip rests on outer edge of knockout plug.
2. Tap end of screwdriver handle with hammer until molded plug breaks loose (see Figure 8-1).
3. REMOVE LOOSE KNOCKOUT PLUG FROM INSIDE DISPOSER.

**Attach Dishwasher Drain Connector**
If your dishwasher drain hose is 7/8" diameter, go to Instruction 9.
If your dishwasher drain hose is not 7/8" diameter, you must attach a dishwasher drain connector to the dishwasher drain inlet. Follow the installation instructions with the connection kit. (You will connect the dishwasher drain hose to the connector in Instruction 12.)
There are two ways to connect electrical power to your disposer:
1.) Direct wire
2.) Plug in cord

Disposer Circuit Requirements
Ensure the following electrical requirements are met before connecting disposer to switch (see Figure 9-1 for typical direct wired electrical circuit diagram):
- Remove fuse (or open the circuit breaker) before connecting disposer to circuit.
- If junction box is used, connect the junction box to the switch on a separate 15 or 20 Amp, 115 Volt circuit with the appropriate cable. (Use 14 gauge wire with 15 Amp circuit, and 12 gauge wire with 20 Amp circuit).
- If you install a double receptacle to handle other small kitchen appliances, include a wall switch in disposer receptacle circuit and wire other receptacle directly to power source.
- This disposer requires a switch with a marked "Off" position (wired to disconnect all ungrounded supply conductors) installed within sight of the disposer sink opening (1 HP minimum rating).

Connect Disposer to Electrical Supply/Ground Disposer
Follow these instructions to direct wire the disposer. (If adding a cord and plug, follow the directions included with the cord and plug).
1. Remove electrical cover plate from bottom of disposer and pull out black (may have colored stripe) and white wires (see Figure 9-1).

2. Run electrical cable through access hole (A) on bottom of disposer (with 1/2" conduit or 3/8" flex) and secure with clamp connector.
3. Strip wires back approximately 1/2 inch. Connect white (neutral) electrical wire to white disposer wire, and black (hot) electrical wire to black disposer wire (may have colored stripe) with wire nuts (see Figure 9-1). Insulate wire connections with electrical tape, and push connections into disposer housing without displacing cardboard insulation shield. Do not reinstall electrical plate until disposer is properly grounded.

Once the circuit you are using is grounded at the service panel, attach the ground wire to the green ground screw (B) in the electrical cover plate opening and secure the electrical plate (C) (see Figure 9-1).

Grounding Instructions for Direct Wired Units
This appliance must be connected to a grounded, metal, permanent wiring system; or an equipment-grounding conductor must be run with the circuit conductors and connected to the equipment-grounding terminal or lead on the appliance.

Grounding Instructions for Cord Connected Units
This appliance must be grounded. In the event of a malfunction or breakdown, grounding provides a path of least resistance for electric current to reduce the risk of electric shock. This appliance is equipped with a cord having an equipment-grounding conductor and a grounding plug. The plug must be plugged into an appropriate outlet that is properly installed and grounded in accordance with all local codes and ordinances.
**10 CONNECT DISPOSER TO MOUNTING ASSEMBLY**

Clear any objects from inside the disposer grind chamber before mounting the disposer.

**WARNING**

Personal Injury
Do not position your head or body under disposer; unit could fall during installation.

1. Position disposer with three mounting tabs (A) aligned in position to slide over mounting tracks (B) (see Figure 10-1).
2. Lift disposer, insert top end (mounting gasket) into mounting assembly, and turn lower mounting ring to right (with 1/4 inch allen wrench or screwdriver) until mounting tabs lock over ridges (C) on mounting ring tracks (see Figure 10-2). (MAKE SURE ALL THREE MOUNTING TABS ARE LOCKED OVER RIDGES.) Disposer will now hang by itself.

**11 ATTACH DISCHARGE TUBE TO WASTE DRAIN LINE**

**NOTICE**

Property Damage
Do not use thread sealants or pipe dope; they may harm the disposer and cause property damage.

Two-Bolt Discharge Tube Installation (Preferred Two-Bolt Installation)

If replacing existing disposer, remove and discard existing discharge tube and gasket. (Unit will not seal properly with old discharge tube.)

1. Slide metal flange (A) over discharge tube (B) (see Figure 11-1).
2. Insert rubber gasket (C) into discharge outlet. Secure metal flange and discharge tube to disposer with two bolts (D).
3. Rotate disposer so that discharge tube is aligned with drain trap. (To prevent leaks, do not pull or bend discharge tube to drain trap.) If discharge tube is too long, cut off as much of tube as necessary with hacksaw (make sure cut is straight and clean.) If discharge tube is too short, you can purchase an extension from a hardware store. (Disposer must remain in vertical position to prevent vibration.)
4. Place P-trap nut, then beveled washer (not supplied) on bottom of discharge tube and tighten on drain trap. (If you have a double sink, use separate drain traps for both sides.)
5. Ensure lower mounting ring is securely locked over mounting flange ridges.

Although the supplied discharge tube is preferred, a straight discharge may be used (see Figure 11-2). Slide metal flange (A) over straight discharge tube (B, not supplied), install rubber gasket (C) into discharge outlet, and secure metal flange and straight discharge tube to disposer with two bolts (D).

**12 CONNECT DISHWASHER DRAIN (IF APPLICABLE)**

Connect the dishwasher to the disposer through an air gap. (Most dishwasher manufacturers recommend that the discharge water runs through an air gap to prevent backflow and/or dishwasher contamination.) Ensure knockout plug is removed (see Instruction 8). Plumbing connections must comply with local plumbing codes.

A. If you have a 7/8” diameter dishwasher drain hose, use a hose clamp to attach the drain hose to the dishwasher inlet. (Verify that hose you are using is rated for dishwasher use.)
B. If you have already attached a dishwasher drain connector to your dishwasher drain hose (for drain hose other than 7/8” diameter), use a hose clamp to attach the drain hose/connector to the dishwasher inlet on the disposer.

Detach removable portion of spec label and place on a visible location (see Figure 12-1).

**NOTICE**

The disposer installation is complete. Using the stopper, fill the sink with water. Remove the stopper, turn disposer on, and check under sink for leaks.

Read ALL SAFETY INSTRUCTIONS on the next page before operating the disposer.
CONTINUOUS FEED DISPOSERS

1. Turn on wall switch to start disposer.
2. Slowly insert food waste into disposer and position stopper to minimize possible ejection of material while grinding (see Figure A).

CLEANING DISPOSER

1. Turn off disposer and disconnect power supply.
2. Place stopper in sink opening and fill sink halfway with warm water.
3. Mix 1/4 cup baking soda with water. Turn disposer on and remove stopper from sink at same time to wash away loose particles.

RELEASING DISPOSER JAM

1. Turn off the disposer and water.
2. Insert one end of a 1/4 inch allen wrench into the center hole on the bottom of the disposer (see Figure B). Work wrench back and forth until it turns one full revolution. Remove allen wrench.
3. Reach into the disposer with tongs and remove object(s). Allow the disposer motor to cool for 3 - 5 minutes and lightly push red reset button on the disposer bottom (see Figure B). (If the motor remains inoperative, check the service panel for tripped circuit breakers or blown fuses.)

FOOD WASTE DISPOSER LIMITED WARRANTY

If your FOOD WASTE DISPOSER (Model FWD-1 or FWD-2) develops a defect in material or workmanship within one year from the date of purchase, it will be replaced over-the-counter, free of charge. This warranty does not cover a disposer which is misused, improperly installed, or used for anything other than normal private household use. In order to validate the warranty, your FOOD WASTE DISPOSER must be returned with the proof of purchase date to the dealer from which it was purchased. This warranty gives you specific legal rights, and you may also have other rights, which vary from state to state. No other express warranty, written or oral, applies.