

# Crystal Quest<sup>®</sup> Voyager Series Inline Water Filter Systems INSTALLATION AND OPERATION GUIDE



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# *i* IMPORTANT INFORMATION

- Inspect the carton and unit for evidence of rough handling and concealed damages. If contents appear damaged, ask driver or contact carrier for a damage claim form to fill out. Shipper must be notified immediately.
- Remove components from shipping carton. Check that all installation parts are present, which
  includes the unit, installation hardware and tubing.
- The system should be installed to meet local, state, and federal plumbing codes and health department rules and regulations. These guidelines must be followed as the system is installed.
- All Crystal Quest<sup>®</sup> water filtration systems should be installed by a qualified, licensed plumber. Not using the service of a licensed plumber may void warranty. Crystal Quest<sup>®</sup> assumes no liability whatsoever for systems improperly installed or those installed by anyone other than a qualified, licensed plumber.
- Check with your local public works department for plumbing codes.
- Do not use non-Crystal Quest<sup>®</sup> replacement cartridges.
- Do not use non-Crystal Quest<sup>®</sup> parts or modify/tamper with unit.

\*Inline application includes installation in Refrigerators, Ice Makers, Water Fountains, RVs, Commercial Inline, and is used as a pre-treatment for ionizer machines and others.

# **A** CAUTION/SAFETY GUIDELINES

- Use the system on a potable (safe-to-drink) COLD water supply only. Do not use on hot water.
- System is recommended for indoor use only. Avoid low or freezing temperatures at all times.
- Unit should be installed downstream of working pressure reducing valve.
- Install leak stopper to avoid water damage.
- Change the cartridges routinely. If water flow slows or stops, replace cartridges.
- Housing may crack in time, causing failure and leakage if exposed to organic solvents, such as those found in aerosol sprays for cleaning products and insecticides.
- After prolonged periods of non-use (such as during a vacation), it is recommended that the system be flushed thoroughly. Let water run for 5-6 minutes before using.
- The filter cartridge used with this system has a limited service life. Changes in taste, odor, color, and/or flow of the water indicate that the cartridge should be replaced.
- Do not cross-thread fittings or housings. If cross-threaded, do not keep unit in service.
- Read the instructions carefully and learn the specific details regarding installation and use. Failure to follow them could cause serious property damage. Crystal Quest<sup>®</sup> accepts no responsibility for property damage.
- Refer to this guide and/or other labels for more information.

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# INLINE SYSTEM MODELS

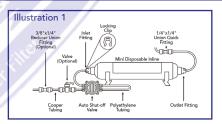


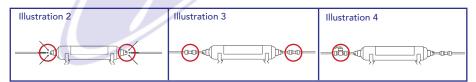
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## SYSTEM CONNECTIONS FOR INLINE FILTER

Determine system connection before beginning installation.

- Systems that have no pressure regulator inline
  - (Illustration 1)
- Systems that insert directly into water line (Illustration 2)
- Systems that need to extend the feed line (Illustration 3)
- Systems that need to use optional ball valve to adjust or control water flow (Illustration 4)





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## CONNECTING SYSTEM TO REFRIGERATOR/APPLIANCE

#### • Remove red plugs.

- The filter is to be connected into the 1/4" OD tube that feeds water to the refrigerator/appliance. If your refrigerator/ appliance water supply line is 3/8", use a 3/8" x 1/4" reducer union fitting (see Illus.
   1) or consult your plumber.
- Shut off water supply to the refrigerator/ appliance.
- Cut feedwater tube (see Illus. 5).
- Insert feedwater tube from refrigerator/ appliance into the inlet fitting of the water filter head. Push up to the tube stop and reattach locking clip.
- Push tube from the water line into inlet fitting of water filter head. Push up to the tube stop and reattach locking clip.

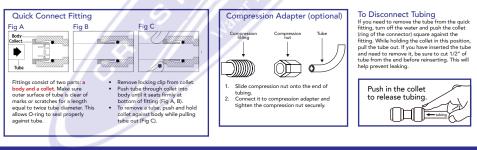
#### Use of quick connect fittings and/or ball valve is optional.

#### NOTE: Adjustment to Water Flow

Adjustment to water flow may be needed to prevent pressure buildup if the flow is high or irregular. Turn the knob on the control valve fitting for adjusting water flow to the filter or to totally shut off water flow to filter.

Before using, run water through filter 5-10 minutes.

## CONNECTING TUBING



### WATER LEAKS

Your System has been tested before leaving the factory. In the unlikely event of a fault, small leaks sometimes do occur as a result of incorrect assembly or abuse. The following tips may be helpful:

- Depending on the positioning of the filter and the temperature of the incoming water and air, condensation on the outside of the filter housing may occur, resulting in a frosted appearance of fine water droplets on the surface. This does not mean that there is a leak in the system. The remedy is to either insulate the area around the filter or reposition it.
- Always ensure that the sump is screwed fully into the sump top. This is essential both for the internal seal and the housing seal.
- In the event of a leak, carefully examine its source. Water from a leak may run along the pipe work (it may
  drip or collect some distance from the actual location of the leak).
- Leaks between base and housing. Turn off faucet and unscrew base of housing. Check to make sure both O-rings are clean and undamaged. Replace if necessary. Lubricate O-rings with any non-petroleum oil.
- Leaks at the quick fittings are usually due to the tubing not being pushed fully into the fitting. Remove

#### **Cutting Pipe**

Using a pipe cutter, cut pipe.
Sand (file) cut ends of pipe to ensure that they are square

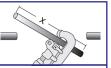


Illustration 5

# and smooth. Plastic Tubing

- Cut tube ends square and straight. Do not deform tube (i.e., cause tube to compress its diameter so it is no longer round).
- Avoid sharp changes in direction when routing tubing. Sharp turns cause tubing to flex and deform, which reduces its flow capacity and may increase lateral stress on the fittings, causing leakage.



#### WATER LEAKS CONT.

the tubing, cut off an inch of tubing with a sharp knife and reinsert into the quick fitting. Be sure cut is square with no burrs. Ensure that the quick fit collet is in position. When fitted correctly, the tube should not pull out of the fitting (unless the collet is pushed in at the same time to release the tubing).

- If there are leaks at the compression fittings, make sure that the components are fitted correctly and that the compression nuts are fully tightened.
- If there is a leak from the water filter inlet and outlet, unscrew fitting, wrap thread seal tape around it, and screw it back. Do not cross-thread.
- If there is a leak, make sure the working pressure regulator is inline and the psi is not exceeding 60.

#### TROUBLESHOOTING

#### Water Appearance

- WHITE water. When a new water filter or cartridge is installed or after cleaning, the water may appear milky
  or white for a while. It is harmless and will soon clear. White water is due to micro bubbles of air. On standing,
  the water will become clear as the bubbles move upwards. Water in some areas of the country has a high level
  of lime or calcium. The Redox inside the unit changes the substances into harmless elements which react with
  air and temperature.
- BLACK water. When a new water filter or cartridge is installed or after cleaning, very fine black particles may
  appear in the water. This is normal and the particles are harmless carbon. Flushing the system for a few minutes
  by turning the tap on and off rapidly several times will help to clear this.
- COLORED water (often RED). Water in some areas may be high in dissolved iron and this can pass through the filter. When the water is left to stand, dissolved iron gives a red or brown color as the iron oxidizes (rusts). In very severe cases, you should contact Crystal Quest<sup>®</sup> for specialist advice. Ordinary particulate rust in the water will be removed by the system.

#### Water Taste

Filtered and treated water tastes much better than unfiltered water. But there are also some who cannot detect any change. Others find that the treated water tastes "different" but they will soon become accustomed to the taste of the filtered water. A major factor affecting taste may be the natural composition in a particular area. There can be considerable local differences in the mineral content of the water, for example.

- Fish odor and sour taste water. System is not flushed properly. Run the water for five minutes and shut off for five minutes. Do three or four times consecutively. Some areas might have hard water. In very severe cases, you should contact Crystal Quest<sup>®</sup> for specialist advice.
- Chlorine taste. The "natural" taste of an area's water is often masked by the presence of chlorine used in the treatment process. If the chlorine taste consistently reappears, the cartridge should be replaced. If any strong objectionable taste occurs after prolonged standing or during infrequent use, flush the system by running water for five minutes.
- Bad taste and/or odor. The cartridge needs replacing.

#### No Water

- Check to see if the main water is on.
- Check that all the tubes are connected correctly.
- Check direction of water flow.

#### Low Water Flow

- Check that you have removed all the shrink wrap from new filter cartridge.
- During periods of high water demand, filter may experience low water How and pressure. Additionally, running
  other appliances on the same line that connects your system may starve the unit of water.
- Reduction of water flow sooner than normal may be an indication of a high volume of sediment in your water. Add a sediment pre-filter, backwash the system, and/or replace the cartridge.
- The filter system needs a minimum pressure of 20 psi to work. If the pressure is inadequate, a pump may be needed. Contact Crystal Quest<sup>®</sup> or a plumber for assistance.

#### **High Water Flow**

If the water flow has excessive force, this will lead not only to splashing at the tap but also to lower
performance from the filter. Reduce the flow rate to the minimum acceptable. For optimum performance, a
flow rate of 0.3-0.75 gpm is suggested.

This may vary depending on the model.

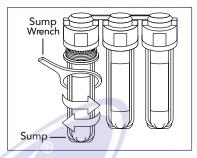


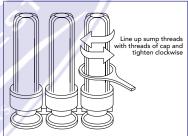
# FILTER CARTRIDGE REPLACEMENT

#### Stationary and Non-Stationary Filters

Use a drip pan to catch any water that may spill when the filter housings are removed.

- Turn off faucet. Close the water line that feeds the filter.
- Unscrew the cap and sump of the housing by using the sump wrench that came with the filter. Turn counterclockwise. Be careful; the sump is most likely filled with water. Release any pressure in the water line by turning on the cold and hotwater faucets.
- Empty excess water into sink. Set top of filter housing aside.
- Pull the used filter cartridge from the base and discard.
- Clean the cap and sump of filter housing (inside of the sump) with hot, soapy water and a soft cloth. Rinse it very well. Do not use harsh detergents, abrasive cleaners, or wire brushes, as they may damage the system. (Remember that you turned the water off at the sink you're working on.)
- Set the base of filter on counter (stationary models). Remove shrink wrap.





# NOTE: Make sure both O-rings are present on the filter housing. Also make sure to lubricate O-rings with any non-petroleum oil (do not use coconut oil).

- Check the O-ring to ensure that it is positioned properly in its groove. Screw top of filter housing (sump) onto base, turning it clockwise. Tighten with sump wrench until very snug. Do not cross-thread or over-tighten.
- Open the water valve slowly and fill the filter.
- Turn off the faucets and check the unit for leaks.
- Run the water for 5-10 minutes to clear out carbon particles that may have settles in the cartridge. This should be repeated as necessary.

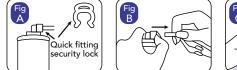


## MINI/JUMBO FILTER REPLACEMENT

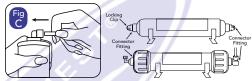
These systems do not have replacement cartridges. Filter systems need to be replaced. Mini Inline Systems generally last 18-24 months\* and Jumbo Inline Systems generally last 24-36 months\*.

Existing tubing and setup can be used with the new filter. Follow steps to replace filter:

- Remove locking clip from quick fitting (Fig A).
- Push and hold collet against body while pulling tube out (Fig B).
- Loosen the connector fitting counterclockwise.
- Push tubing through collet into new filter until it seats firmly at tube top (Fig C).
- Refit the locking clip.
- Turn on water and check for leaks.
- Flush 4-5 gallons of water through filter before use.



\*Depending on the consumption and water conditions.



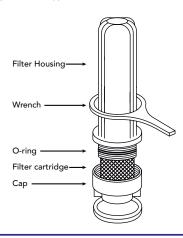
#### TO ORDER REPLACEMENT CARTRIDGES

Item No. CQE-RC-04000
Item No. CQE-RC-04001
Item No. CQE-RC-04002
Item No. CQE-RC-04055
Item No. CQE-RC-04006
Item No. CQE-RC-04049
Item No. CQE-RC-04007
Item No. CQE-RC-04050
Item No. CQE-RC-04008
Item No. CQE-RC-04051

2-7/8"	x 9-3/4"
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5-Micron Carbon Block Filter 5-Micron Sediment Reusable Pleated Filter SMART PLUS Filter UF Membrane Filter Fluoride Filter Fluoride/SMART Filter Nitrate Filter Nitrate/SMART Filter Arsenic Filter Arsenic/SMART Filter

Note: This inline system contains cartridges which must be replaced at regular intervals to maintain proper performance. Use only factory approved cartridges.





# ONE-YEAR LIMITED WARRANTY

CRYSTAL QUEST® warrants your CRYSTAL QUEST® Voyager Inline Water Filter System for one year from the date of purchase against all defects in materials and workmanship when used in compliance with the Installation and Operation Guide. This warranty does not include replacement cartridges unless defective upon receipt. CRYSTAL QUEST® disclaims all implied warranties including, without limitation, warranties of merchantability and fitness for a particular purpose. If for any reason the product proves to be defective within one year from the date of purchase, please call for assistance. This warranty gives you specific legal rights and you may have other legal rights which vary from state to state. CRYSTAL QUEST® assumes no responsibility for incidental or consequential damages, for damages arising out of misuse of the product or the use of any unauthorized attachment. Some states do not allow the exclusion or limitation of implied warranties or incidental or consequential damages, so the above limitations or exclusions may not apply to you. Should service be required during or after the warranty period or should you have any questions regarding how to use your CRYSTAL QUEST® Voyager Inline Water Filter System, contact technical support at service@crystalquest.com, Monday through Friday, 9 A.M. to 5 P.M. Eastern Time.

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