Technical Service Bulletin:

Cleaning & Replacing Hydro Generator

Models: 520HN

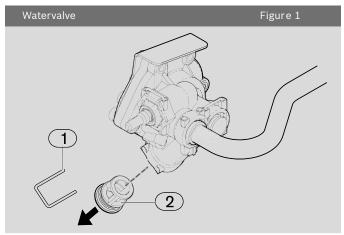


Tools needed:

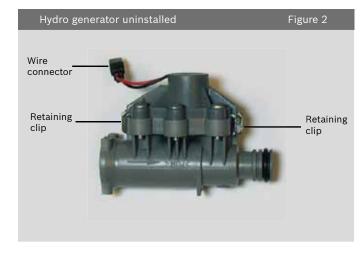
- Phillips head screwdriver
- ▶ Flat head screwdriver

Removing hydro generator

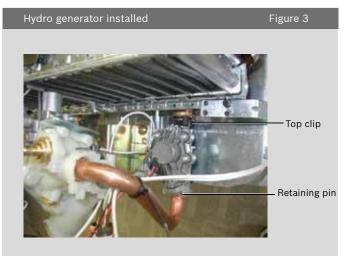
- 1. Shut off gas to heater.
- Shut off water supply to the heater using installer supplied cold water shut-off valve. If not installed, install before proceeding.
- Open lowest hot water faucet to drain lines and relieve pressure in heater.
- 4. Position a bucket below water connections to water heater.
- 5. Remove the retaining clip (Fig. 1, Num. 1) from the bushing on the water valve.
- Remove the bushing (Fig. 1, Num. 2) from the water valve. If water filter comes out during this step, reinstall after heater is drained.



- 7. Contents of heater and water lines will drain.
- 8. Disconnect connector on the wire leads coming from the hydro generator. (Fig. 2)

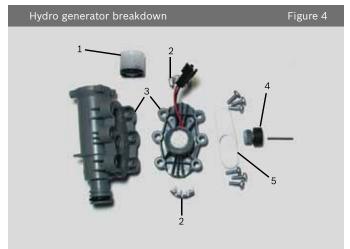


- Remove bottom retaining pin and top clip from hydro generator to disconnect piping. (Fig. 3)
- Carefully separate piping from both ends of the hydro generator.
 Pull hydro generator free from heater and bring to clean working environment.



Cleaning hydro generator

- Remove inner venturi. Gently push a philips head screwdriver in the smaller outlet side of hydro generator until venturi comes out the other end. (Fig. 4, pos. 1)
- 2. Clean and flush venturi of any build up or debris.
- 3. Remove 2 retaining clips on generator by prying them off with a flat head screwdriver. (Fig. 4, pos. 2)
- 4. Remove 6 philips head screws and separate the hydro-generator halves being careful to catch any internal components that may fall out. (Note: There is a black rubber o-ring between the halves that needs to be in place for reinstallation.) (Fig. 4, pos. 3)
- Remove the flow wheel (with magnet) (Fig. 4, pos. 4) from the internal steel axle with the white oval shaped component. (Fig. 4, pos. 5)
- 6. Clean all components as well as the inside of the generator walls with rubbing alcohol and a clean cloth. Inspect flow wheel magnet for cracks. Inspect flow wheel blades to ensure they are intact. Flush flow wheel blades with water if they are clogged with debris.
- 7. Clean internal steel axle shaft with clean rag.
- 8. Slide flow wheel with magnet assembly (magnet facing in) on the internal steel axle. Ensure that it spins freely.
- Reinstall white oval shaped component over internal steel axle (flat side facing in).
- Reassemble the two halves of the hydro generator, lining up the screw holes; Ensure black o-ring is in place between the two halves
- Reinstall 6 philips head screws being careful not to over tighten and replace retaining clips holding the two halves of the generator together.
- Reinstall venturi (black side first) into larger inlet side of hydro generator. Gently push on venturi with Philips head screwdriver until it seats.



Reinstalling hydro generator

- Reinstall hydro generator onto heater. Secure piping in and out of hydro generator using retaining pin and clip on the appropriate ends. (Fig. 2)
- 2. Reconnect lead wires from hydro generator to connector.
- Reinstall bushing and retaining clip (and inlet filter if removed)in water valve and slowly open cold water shut-off valve while checking for leaks.
- 4. Turn on power using ON/OFF button, open gas supply and return heater to service.



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