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Note: This product is intended to be installed by experienced professionals only.

Note: This product is required to plug into its own dedicated circuit, rated at the controller's required voltage and amperage.

**Note:** This product is for use with manual pumps only. A manual pump is a pump that runs when plugged into an outlet, regardless of the presence of water. Water sensor(s) are supplied with this unit for pump control.

## SAFETY PRECAUTIONS

**WARNING:** To prevent fire or shock hazard, do not expose this product to rain or moisture. This product has a NEMA-1 rated enclosure for use in an indoor environment. Never spill liquid of any kind on the product.



DANGER: Risk of electric shock. To reduce risk of electric shock, do not remove cover. There are no user-serviceable parts inside. Refer servicing to qualified service personnel.



**DANGER:** To prevent electric shock, ensure product is connected to a grounded outlet.

The electrical outlet should be properly wired to a dedicated circuit breaker. Proper short-circuit and overload protection must be provided at the distribution panel. Install in accordance with all local and national electrical codes. Recommended mounting is above floor level. For best performance, do not use electrical extension cords.

## **GENERAL OVERVIEW**

Thank you for purchasing an Ion Genesis® controller. Take the time to read the instructions carefully before using this appliance. We strongly recommend that you keep this instruction manual in a safe place for future reference.

The Ion Genesis® is a residential sump pump controller for 1 or 2 pumps that includes redundant 72" water level sensors, a configurable water level/pump turnon setting, 2-pump alternation, pump failure sensing, local audible/visual alarm notification, and optional remote alarm notification.

#### **Indicators**

The front panel has LEDs, a display, and an audible alarm to offer direct feedback to the user.

#### **Buttons**

The front of the controller has buttons labeled "SILENCE/RESET" and "PUMP TURN ON LEVEL".

Pressing the SILENCE/RESET button mutes the audible alarm when an alarm is active. Any future alarms will activate the audible alarm again.

When held, the SILENCE/RESET button restarts the controller as if it were unplugged. At start up, the controller runs pump #1 temporarily, followed by the second pump, if it exists (as configured in the menu section).

The PUMP TURN ON LEVEL buttons set the water level at which the first pump turns on. It is measured in inches, up from the middle of the lower water sensor (see the Installation section). When the water level is pumped down to the middle of the lower water sensor, the pump is turned off. This setting only pertains to the lower water sensor.

#### INSTALLATION

NOTE: IF YOU ARE INSTALLING THE GENESIS TO AN EXISTING SUMPRO MODEL 75, PLEASE **CONTACT MANUFACTURER FIRST.** 

1. See Figure 1, Page 2. Clamp the two water sensors to any riser pipes in the basin, one water sensor above the other, with one near the bottom of the pit and one above the Pump



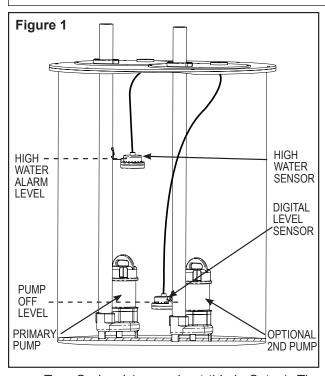
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Turn On level (more about this in Setup). The bottom water sensor *must be mounted above all pump intakes* and will be used for day-to-day operation; the top one, will be used as a backup for high water level sensing. Again, note that when the water is pumped down to the middle of the lower water sensor, any running pump will turn off. If the water rises to the middle of the top water sensor, the controller will cue audible, visual, and any remote alarms indicating a high water level.

- 2. Mount the controller box to the wall in a place where its cord can reach a dedicated 120 volt AC electrical outlet (rated for at least 15 amps), and where the water sensors' and pumps' cords can reach the controller box.
- Connect the water sensors to the controller box, ensuring that each sensor plugs into its correct connector; the lower sensor in the pit plugs into the DIGITAL LEVEL SENSOR jack and the higher sensor plugs into the HIGH WATER SENSOR jack.
- 4. Plug the first pump into the outlet marked "PUMP 1" on the controller box. If there is a second pump, plug it into the outlet "PUMP 2" on the controller box.

(If only one pump is installed, properly set

the controller's operating mode in the Menu section.)

5. If connecting a home alarm system to the Ion Genesis®, make the connection to the 6P6C jack labeled "REMOTE ALARM CONTACT". The center most pins (# 3 and 4) are used for this circuit, and are normally closed (N/C) under normal conditions. These pins electrically open in an alarm condition (see Operation section).

### SETUP

Plug the Ion Genesis® into the electrical outlet. Using the PUMP TURN ON LEVEL buttons, set the desired water level (Setpoint) at which a pump should turn on. This level is measured in inches, up from the middle of the lower water sensor (DIGITAL LEVEL SENSOR, see Figure 1, page 2).



**WARNING:** This setting must be set below the bottom of the HIGH WATER SENSOR.

**Note:** This setting *only* pertains to the lower water level sensor, and will be retained in memory in the event of a complete power failure.

The water level within the pit is monitored and displayed as "Level". When the water level is pumped down to the middle of the lower water sensor, the pump is turned off.

It is recommended that the system be tested by filling the pit with water using a hose. The first pump should turn on and empty the pit of water. If a second pump is installed, filling the pit again should cause the second pump to run.

To test the alarm functions, simply apply gentle pressure with a finger to the underside of the top level sensor (HIGH WATER SENSOR). The controller should cue audible and visual alerts, and engage any alarm dialers and/or external devices that may be connected for remote notification.

#### MENU



**WARNING:** Changing these settings incorrectly may adversely affect pumping



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operation. If unsure about the settings, contact technical support.

The controller has a menu of user-configurable settings that may be altered if an unusual pump installation requires it; normally, these settings do not need to be changed. To enter this mode, press and hold the PUMP TURN ON LEVEL up button and PUMP TURN ON LEVEL down button together and then press the SILENCE/RESET button, then follow the instructions on the display. The individual settings are described below and, once saved, will be retained in the event of a complete power failure.

## **Controller's Operating Mode**

The controller's Operating Mode can be set to one of four modes. "Duplex Similar" means the controller will run one or two pumps together as required. "Duplex Mixed" means the controller will run one or two dissimilar pumps (that is, each drawing much different current) as required. "Simplex Non-alternating" means there is only one pump installed and it is plugged into pump outlet #1. This allows a pump to be installed that uses the entire current available to the controller by the electrical outlet on the wall. "Simplex Alternating" means there are two pumps installed, but they will never run simultaneously. This, too, allows each pump to use the entire current available to the controller by the electrical outlet on the wall since the pumps will never be run together. The default is Simplex Alternating mode.

Note: Pump load(s) should not exceed 12 amps (total).

Note: If using the Ion Genesis with a battery backup system, DO NOT use Duplex Mode without consulting with the factory, first.

## **Lag Start Level**

The Lag Start Level is the number of inches *above* the Setpoint that was configured in the Setup section where the *second* pump will turn on. The default is 4 inches.

#### **Excess Run Time**

The Excess Run Time is the number of minutes that a pump can run continuously before an alarm is initiated. This alarm feature can be turned off by setting it to zero. The default is 5 minutes.

#### **Emergency Run Time**

The Emergency Run Time is the minimum number of seconds a pump(s) will run when water has reached the HIGH LEVEL SENSOR. The default is 10 seconds.

#### **High Water Sensor Enable**

The High Water Sensor Enable tells the controller whether to use water level readings from the HIGH LEVEL SENSOR. The default is Enabled.

#### **OPERATION**

The controller will turn one pump on whenever the water level rises above the Setpoint that was configured in the Setup section. If the water continues to rise a few inches above that height (as configured in the Menu), a second pump will be turned on, if it is present and the controller is set to run in duplex mode (see the Menu section). Any running pump will be turned off after the water level is pumped down to the middle of the DIGITAL LEVEL SENSOR.

**Note:** The controller will operate based on what it is set to as described in the Menu section, under "Controller's Operating Mode".

Under any of the following conditions, the controller will enter a state of alarm:

- · A pump failure has been detected
- The water level reaches the HIGH LEVEL SENSOR
- A water level sensor has failed
- A pump has been continuously running but the water level remains above the DIGITAL LEVEL SENSOR for an extended period of time (as determined by the Menu setting)

Once in an alarm state, the controller will notify the user that there may be trouble by:

- · Initiating audible and visual cues
- Breaking (electrically opening) the remote alarm contacts which can be connected to another alarming device, allowing it to inform the user remotely (these contacts are normally closed)



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## PUMP FAULT DESCRIPTION

The controller determines pump condition via its built-in electrical current sensor. Whenever a pump draws abnormal current, the controller enters a state of alarm telling the user that pump service is needed. The following charts (See Figures 2 through 5, Page 6-7) describe these conditions. An "X" means behavior occurs for a particular pump state.

## **SPECIFICATIONS**

Voltage:	120 VAC, 60 Hz
Output (per outlet):	15 Amps (max)
Pump load(s) max total:	12 Amps
Remote Alarm Contacts:	Normally closed (open during alarm state) 30 VAC/DC @ 1 A MAX
Temperature Range:	0 °C to 40 °C (32 °F to 104 °F)
Audible Alarm:	80 dB at 10 ft.
Enclosure:	NEMA-1 UL94V-0 ABS
Mounting Hardware (Controller):	(4) #10 screws
Mounting Dimensions (Controller):	8.25" x 3.50"

## Accessories



**Ion Technologies 35AC**Battery backup for AC pumps rated to 5.5 amps.



**SUMPRO**® **100**Battery backup for AC pumps rated to 12 amps.



#### **Phone Dialer**

Can be programmed with up to nine phone numbers to call in case of high water or other alarm.

For operation or installation instructions for these accessories, call 815-886-9200.

## **TROUBLESHOOTING**

Pump won't turn on before reaching the HIGH WATER SENSOR.

Setpoint is set too high.

The controller keeps reporting a water sensor failure when there is only one sensor installed.

Make sure the HIGH WATER SENSOR is disabled using the Menu as described above.

The controller keeps reporting a water sensor failure.

Make sure each is plugged into its correct jack in the controller box (see Installation section). Swapping plugs may isolate the failed sensor.

Pump won't turn off even though pit is empty.

The lower sensor ("DIGITAL LEVEL SENSOR") must be mounted above all pump intakes.

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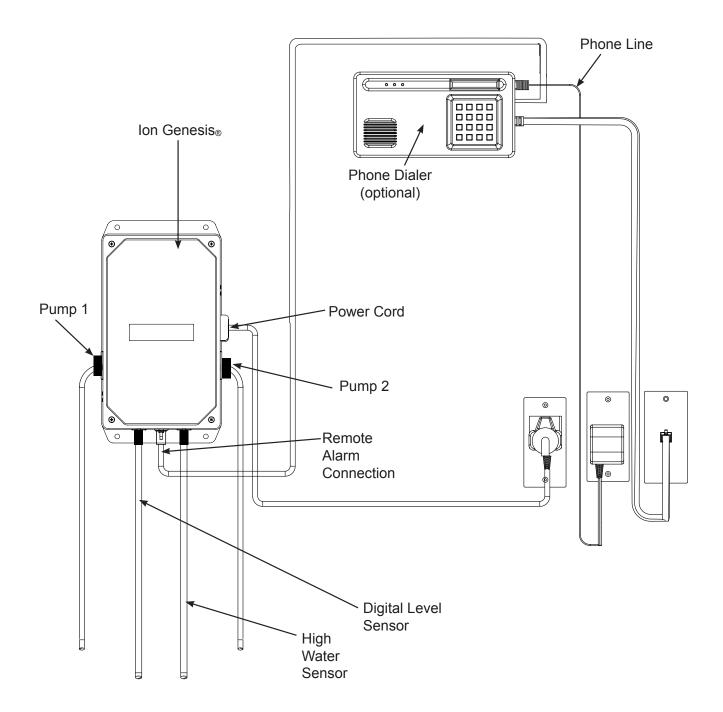
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# ION GENESIS® AND DIALER INSTALLATION



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 $Figure \ 2: Duplex \ Operation - 2 \ pumps \ with \ similar \ current \ draw \ installed; both \ intended \ to \ run \ simultaneously \ when \ required.$ 

Number of Pumps Running	Current	Duplex Pumping Locked Out	Duplex Pumping Forced Off <sup>†</sup>	Pump		Alternate		Open Remote	LCD
				Locked Out <sup>*</sup>	Bad <sup>‡</sup>	To Next Pump	Beep	Alarm Contacts	Updates
	Extreme	Х	Х				Х	Х	Х
2	High, 3 Times	Х	Х				Х	Х	Х
	High		Х					Х	Х
	Low						Х	Х	Х
	Critical	N/A	N/A	Х		Х	Х	Х	Х
1	Extreme, 3 Times	N/A	N/A		Х	Χ	Х	Х	X
	Extreme	N/A	N/A			Х		Х	Х
	High, 3 Times	N/A	N/A					Х	Х
	High	N/A	N/A					Х	Х
	Low	N/A	N/A			Х	Х	Х	Х

Figure 3: Duplex Mixed Operation – 2 pumps with dissimilar current draws installed; both intended to run simultaneously when required.

Number of Pumps Running	Current	Duplex Pumping Locked Out	Duplex Pumping Forced Off <sup>†</sup>	Pump		Alternate	<b>D</b>	Open Remote	LCD
				Locked Out*	Bad <sup>‡</sup>	To Next Pump	Веер	Alarm Contacts	Updates
2	Extreme	Х	Х				Х	Х	Х
	High, 3 Times	Х	Х				Х	Х	Х
	High		Х					Х	Х
	Low						Х	Х	Х
1	Critical	N/A	N/A	Х		Х	Х	Х	Х
	High, 3 Times	N/A	N/A	Х			Х	Х	Х
	High	N/A	N/A		Х			Х	Х
	Low	N/A	N/A			Х	Х	Х	Х

Figure 4: Alternating, Simplex Operation – 2 pumps installed, only one pump intended to run at one time.

Number of Pumps Running	Current	Pump		Alternate	Door	Open Remote	LCD
		Locked Out*	Bad <sup>‡</sup>	To Next Pump	Веер	Alarm Contacts	Updates
1	Extreme	Х		Х	Х	Х	Х
	High, 3 Times	X		X	Х	X	Х
	High		X	X	Х	Х	Х
	Low			X	X	X	Х

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Figure 5: Non-Alternating, Simplex Operation – 1 pump installed, only pump 1 will run. Pump 2 is disabled.

Number of Pumps Running	Current	Pu	тр	Beep	Open Remote	LCD Updates
		Locked Out*	Bad <sup>‡</sup>	Deeh	Alarm Contacts	
1	Extreme	X		Х	X	X
	High, 3 Times	X		X	X	X
	High		X	X	X	X
	Low			Х	X	Х

<sup>\*</sup> Duplex Pump Mode or pump is permanently locked out from running until controller is reset.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>†</sup> Running two pumps simultaneously is temporarily disabled; that is, one pump is turned off.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>‡</sup> Pump is only run as a lag (secondary) pump.

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