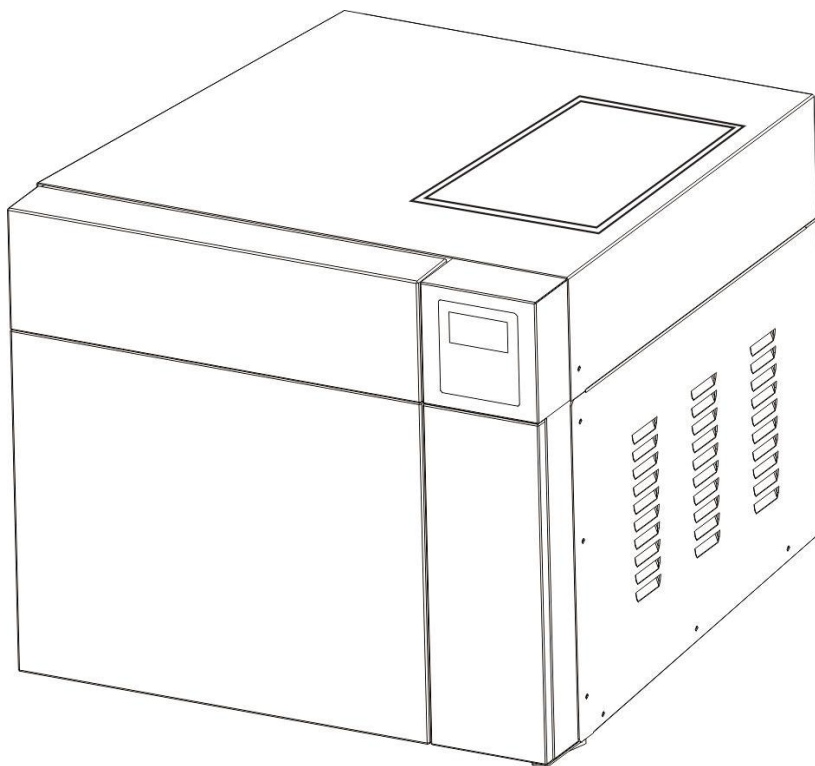


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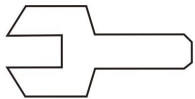
Thank you for choosing our steam sterilizers.

Prior to operating this instrument, please read the operations manual carefully and follow all installation instructions.

IMPORTANT NOTICE:

If you can't open the door, please unlock the door according to the instruction “How to open the door in the case of power outage” in the manual.

Need Maintenance



If this picture appears on the screen when power on or E88 appears on the report, please call your dealer or local service maintenance. Your steam sterilizer needs a regular maintenance.

Instructions Manual

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1. General

1.1 Scope of Manual

This manual contains information concerning the installation, operation and maintenance of the steam sterilizers. To ensure proper performance of the autoclave, the instructions given in this manual should be thoroughly understood and followed. Keep the manual near to the sterilization in a readily accessible location for future reference.

1.2 Intended Use

The sterilizer described in this manual is intended for the sterilization of laboratory research tools and media. It operates automatically with 134°C and 121°C sterilization temperatures.

1.3 General Safety Instructions

- Read and understand this manual before attempting to install or operate the sterilizer.
- Make sure that all the installation conditions are fully complied with.
- Ensure that the supply voltage agrees with the supply voltage specified on the type plate of the sterilizer.
- This appliance must be grounded. Connect only to a properly grounded outlet.
- Do not cover or block any openings on this appliance.
- Use this appliance only for its intended use as described in this manual.
- Do not exceed the maximum weight limit of the loads specified in this manual.
- Do not operate this appliance if it has a damaged cord or plug, if it is not working properly, or if it has been damaged or dropped.
- Never must put into the sterilizer inflammables or explosives products.
- The sterilizer may not be operated in areas in which gas or any other explosive volatile substance is present.
- Installation and repair work should only be performed by authorized service technician. Work by unqualified persons could be dangerous and void warranty.

1.4 Symbols

For safe operation, please pay close attention to the alert symbols below which can be found in the sterilizer or throughout this manual.



This symbol represents an electrical caution - ground protection.



Hot Surface

This symbol represents a warning of a potential hot surface.

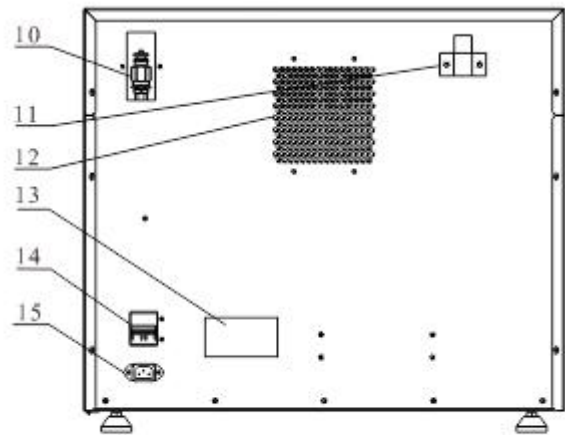
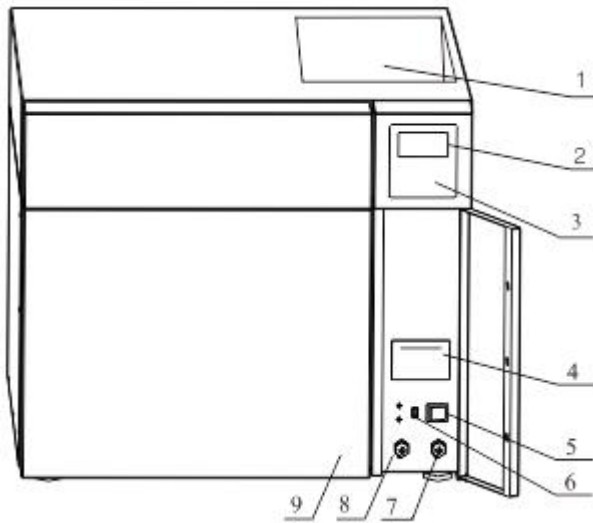


Important safety information.

This symbol represents a warning for extra caution.

2. Description of the sterilizer

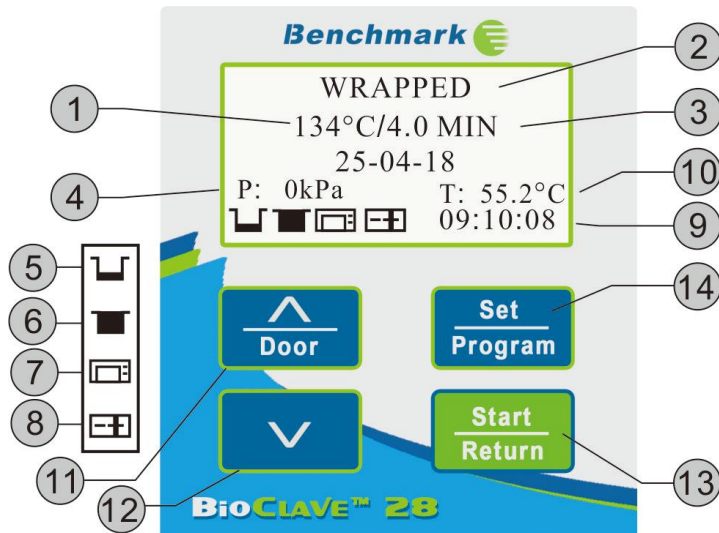
2.1 Sterilizer views



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|---|---------------------------|
| 1. Distilled water tank | 9. Door |
| 2. LCD | 10. Safety valve |
| 3. Control Panel | 11. Used water tank vent |
| 4. Printer (Optional) | 12. Condenser ventilation |
| 5. Main power switch | 13. Rating plate |
| 6. USB port | 14. Circuit breaker |
| 7. Drain connector (Distilled water tank) | 15. Power socket |
| 8. Drain connector (Used water tank) | |

	Date of manufacture
SN	Manufacture number
	Manufacturer Name
	Manufacturer Address

2.2 Control panel



1	Temperature of the cycle
2	Program
3	Holding time
4	Pressure
5	Fill distilled water tank
	The quality of water is bad
	The water pump is working
6	Drain used water tank
7	Printer is connected
8	Door opens
	Door is closed
	Door is locked
9	Time
10	Current temperature
11	Up button
12	Down button
13	Enter button
14	Menu button

2.3 Technical specifications

Item	Parameter
Chamber	φ 319mm x 417 mm (12.5 x 16.4 in.)
Rated Voltage	110-130V AC, 60Hz
Circuit breaker	F20A/400V
Nominal power	1600VA
Sterilization temperature	121°C /134°C
Capacity of the distilled water tank	Approx 8.0 L (Water at level Max)
	Approx 1.5 L (Water at level Min)
Operation temperature	5°C-40°C
Operation relative Humidity	Max. 80%, non condensing
Overall dimensions	640mm(W)*560mm(H)*640mm(D)
Net weight	92 kg
Max. Noise level	<70 dB
Atmospheric pressure	76 kPa – 106 kPa

2.4 Packing content

No.	Accessory	Quantity
1	Instrument tray rack	1
2	Draining hose	2
3	Instructions manual	1
4	Door seal	1

3. Installation

3.1 General conditions

Position the device on a flat and level surface with minimum capacity 60 kgs.

The sterilizer should be placed on a level worktable.

Improper water level in the chamber could cause a sterilizer malfunction.

Leave at least 10cm between the device rear part and the wall. The clearance required to open the door is 40cm.

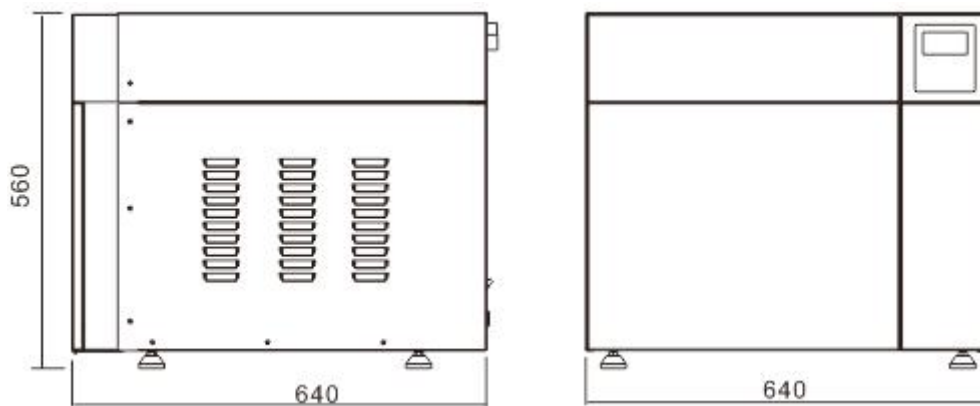
Position the autoclave at such a height as to make it possible for the operator to check the whole sterilization chamber and carry out the normal cleaning operations.

The room where the device is installed must be enough ventilated.

Do not install the device near washing basins, taps, etc. where it is likely to be splashed.

Do not lean on the door when it is opened.

Do not place trays , papers, fluid containers, etc. on the sterilizer.



3.2 Power supply connection

Check the label on back panel of sterilizer to verify voltage rating for the unit. Failure to connect the autoclave to an appropriate power supply could result in damage to the unit, and electrical shock to personnel.

Plug power cord into a properly polarized and grounded receptacle rated. A dedicated circuit only used for the sterilizer is recommended.

Never connect the device pin to reductions of any type.

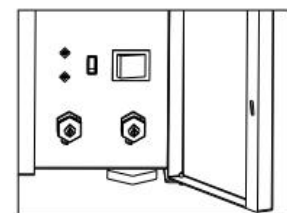
4 Setup

Open the door and remove all of the inner contents for unpacking.

Connect the power cord to an outlet of the appropriate voltage.

Turn on the main switch on the right side. After switching on, the machine turns on the LCD and shows the door position, water level, working program, date, time and etc.

Holding the up button for about 3 seconds, it will unlock the door.



Note: The control panel will be locked for the initial 10 seconds after powering up for system initialization.

Notice: Before using the sterilizer or at any time the low water level icon  blinks, fill the distilled water tank with distilled water.

4.1 Basic Set

The "Basic Set" Menu permits to set the following options:

*Date *Time *Language

Select the "Basic Set" from the main menu and Tap **Set** button.

Select the item by taping the **Set** button. The unit you selected will be lighted.

Adjust the value by Taping  button. Tap **Set** button to the next item.

Tap **Start** button to save and exit after the data is set.

Note: The Counter (cycle No) can not be set by the operator.

Abbreviation of language options

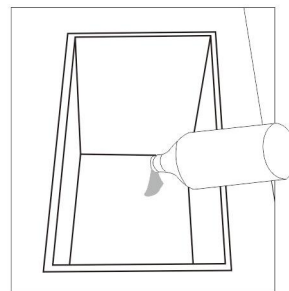
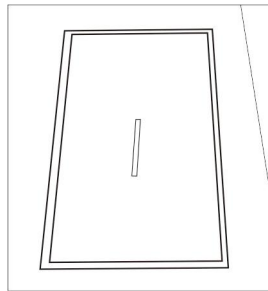
CHN	Chinese	ENG	English	DEU	German	ESP	Spanish
PL	Polish	FR	French	HUN	Hungary	ROM	Romanian
NL	Dutch	LTU	Lithuanian	LAT	Latvian	CZE	Czech
ITA	Italian	RUS	Russian				

Program
Basic Set
Report
Label

DATE:23-04-17
TIME:09:10:08
LANGUAGE:ENG
Counter:12

4.2 Fill the distilled water tank

Ensure that the drain valve is closed and open the water tank cover.



Use only distilled water. (see Appendix 1)

4.3 Preparation of sterilization materials

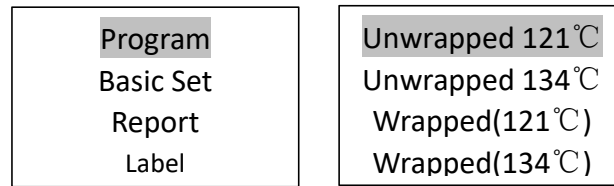
For the most effective sterilization and to preserve the sample, please follow below:

- *Clean instruments immediately after use.
- *Residual chemicals left over after cleaning and disinfecting process may damage and corrode parts of the autoclave, always rinse off the instruments using distilled water.
- *Follow instrument manufacturer's guidelines and recommendations for handling and cleaning instruments prior to sterilization.
- *Check the manufacturer's instructions as to proper procedure for sterilizing of each item.
- *Arrange the samples of different materials on different trays or with at least 3cm of space between them.
- *Clean and dry instruments thoroughly before placing them into tray.
- *We recommend using sterilization paper (or cloth) between the tray and sample to avoid direct contact.
- *Arrange the containers (glasses, cups, test-tubes, etc) on one side or inverted position, avoiding possible water stagnation.
- *Don't stack the trays one above the other or put them in direct contact with the walls of the sterilization chamber.
- *Always use the instrument tray handle.
- *Wrap the samples one by one or, if more tools have to be set in the same bag, verify that these are made of the same material.
- *Don't use metallic clips, pins or other, as this jeopardizes the maintenance of the autoclave.
- *Don't overload the trays over the stated limit (see appendix 2).

5. Operation

5.1 Select the program

Tap **Set** button to the main menu, select "Program". You will see the available sterilization programs. See Appendix 2.



Select the program by buttons and confirm it by tapping **Set** button. If you don't want to select a program you may tap **Start** button to exit.

5.2 Running the sterilization program.

After selecting program, the instruments to be sterilized can now be placed on the tray placed inside the chamber.

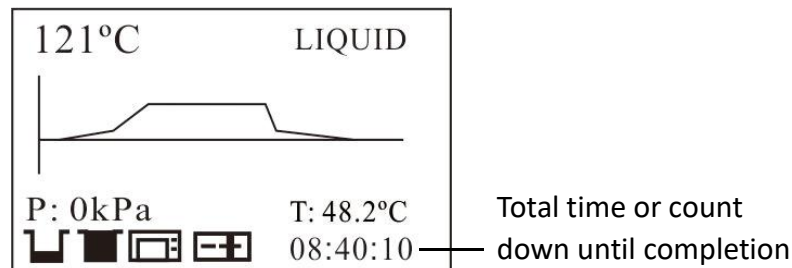
5.2.1 After the instruments are loaded, you may close the door.

Push the door to be closed, holding for about three seconds, it will lock automatically.

Caution: The door can not be lock if the pressure is higher than 0 kPa. Please wait for the chamber cooling down.

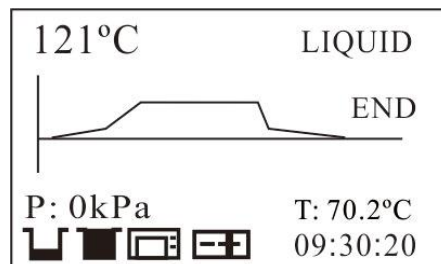
5.3 Start the sterilization program.

After the **Start** button is taped, the stage and the status of the current cycle will appear on the display. The sterilizers will perform the program automatically. (See appendix 2).



5.4 End of cycle

After cycle is completed, the printer will be activated and print out a report of the cycle (if the optional printer has been connected) or save the report in the USB drive (optional).



Caution: Always use the tray handle to load or unload the tray into the autoclave.
Failure to do so can result in burning.

5.5 Manual abort of the program

It is possible to interrupt a started cycle prematurely. If you need to interrupt a cycle and remove the items urgently, you may hold the **Start** button for 3 seconds during the drying time to skip the dry cycle.



If you interrupt a cycle before it reaches the “Drying” step, the items inside the autoclave must be considered not be sterilized.

If you need to interrupt a cycle after the holding time of the sterilization cycle and during the drying step, the items inside the autoclave can be considered be sterilized.



Caution: Depending on the status of the Cycle, steam can escape from the sterilization chamber when you open the door.

5.6 Record of the cycle

USB Flash memory (Optional)

A USB drive can be used as a method of storing a report of the cycle. To do so insert the USB drive into the slot located on the service door of the sterilizer. The information will automatically output directly to the USB drive after the cycle has completed. The name of the file is determined by the serial number of the machine and the cycle number.

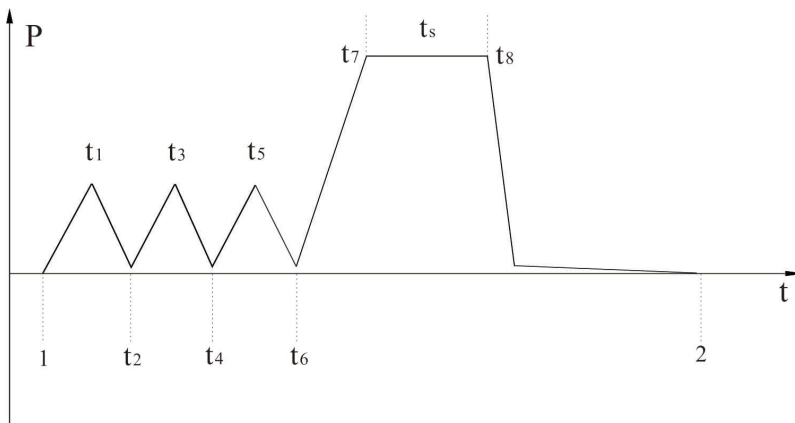
For example:

The serial number is A12345. The cycle number is 00012.

The file name in the USB stick is A12345_00012E00.txt.

The last three numbers represent error code.

For example, E00 means no error. E01 means error E01.



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Program: WRAPPED

Temperature: 134C

Pressure: 206.0 kPa

Dry Time: 02Min

Ster Time: 4.0Min

	time	temp.	pressure
Start	15:24:20	042.0C	
T1:	15:32:11	070.0C	053.2kPa
T2 :	15 :36 :08	075.3C	009.7kPa
T3 :	15 :39 :21	090.3C	050.4kPa
T4 :	15 :44 :32	094.3C	009.6kPa
T5 :	15 :47 :12	119.0C	102.4kPa
T6 :	16 :00 :11	110.2C	009.3kPa
TS :		134.8C	221.6kPa
MAX.Temperature:	135.1C		
MIN.Temperature:	134.5C		
MAX.Pressure :	230.4kPa		
MIN.Pressure :	212.9kPa		
T7 :	16 :04 :02	135.0C	223.5kPa
T8 :	16:06:32	134.8C	214.1kPa
End	16:14:12	78.2C	

Cycle No: 0005

Ster Value: Success

Date: 18-01-2011

SN:E00001

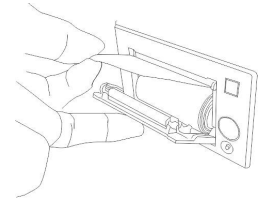
Operator:

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5.7 Printer (Optional)

If the printer installed correctly you can see the Icon in the screen stop flashing.

The printer (Optional) will print a report of the cycle that just ended. At the end of each cycle the printer will print out a report of the cycle.



5.8 Report

Internal Memory

In this menu you can read the reports stored in the internal memory of the sterilizer.

5.8.1 Select "Report" from the main menu and tap **Set** button, you will see the list of records.

5.8.2 Select the records by tapping  button.

5.8.3 Tap **Set** button.

Then the record is printed(if the optional printer has been connected) the report or/and is saved in the USB drive (optional).

Tap **Start** button to exit.

Report

Label

About device

Setup

00012

00013

00014

00015

5.9 Label(Optional)

5.9.1 Connect the label printer and switch on.

5.9.2 Select the "Label" and tap **Set** button, you will see the list of the records.

5.9.3 Select the records by tapping  button.

5.9.4 Tap the **Set** button to the interface for setting the quantity.

5.9.5 Change the quantity of the label that you want to print by tapping  button.

The range is 1-99.

5.9.6 Tap the **Set** button to print the label.

5.9.7 Tap the **Start** button to exit.

Quantity

13

Operator:

Program: Wrapped 134 C

Cycle No.: 00022

SN: A00001N23

Date: 20-05-2019 12:17:47

Expiry date: 20-08-2019



5.10 About device

5.10.1 Select the "About device".

5.10.2 Tap the **Set** button to enter the interface.

5.10.3 There is the version of the firmware.

5.10.4 Tap the **Start** button to exit.

About device

3BB23Z 11110010

V2.9.0.0 -- 00

SN: A23456B45

6. Advance setting

The advance setting interface permits to set the following

Options:

***Parameter:** Permits to change the time of holding time and drying time.

***Unit:** Permits to change the unit of measure temperature and pressure.

***Preheat:** This option allows you to maintain the required temperature in the sterilization chamber and the steam generator to start a new cycle immediately for the next 60 minutes so to run a new cycle should expect preheating time from 3 to 5 minutes upon start.

If the option is disabled (OFF) once the sterilization cycle end immediately the Autoclave is no longer heated, so when you start a new cycle should expect a preheating time between 3 to 5 minutes upon start.

Note: To maintain the temperature for longer time it is recommended that after each cycle hold the door closed.

Enter the setting

Select the "Setup", tap the **Set** button to the password interface.

Input the password "1111" by tap  button, tap **Set** button to select the position.

Tap the **Set** button will enter the setting interface after inputting the 4 passwords.

Password

1111

6.1 Parameter

Tap  button to select Parameter. Tap **Set** button to enter the menu.

Select the program that you need to change by Taping  button. Tap **Set** button to enter the setting.

Parameter

Unit

Preheat

Expiry date

Adjust the parameter by taping the  button.

Drying time: 0-30 minutes

121°C holding time: 20-60 minutes

134°C holding Time: 4-20 minutes

After you finish adjusting the parameter Tap **Start** button to save and return to the above menu.

Unwrapped 134°C
Wrapped(121°C)
Wrapped(134°C)
Prion(134°C)

Holding Time: 20.0
Dry Time: 02

6.2 Unit

Select the "Unit" to adjust the unit of temperature and pressure.

Tap **set** button to enter the menu.

Select the item by Taping **Set** button.

Change the unit by Taping  button.

Pressure: kPa/bar/psi

Temperature: °C/°F

Tap **Start** button to save and exit.

Pressure: kPa
Temperature: C

6.3 Preheat

Select the "Preheat" to adjust the preheat setting.

Tap **Set** button to enter the menu.

If you don't want to preheat after switch on, set the value to OFF by Taping  button.

Tap **Start** button to save.

Preheat: ON

6.4 Expiry date

Select the "Expiry date" to adjust the expiry date that be printed on the label.

Tap **Set** button to enter the menu.

Month: 03

Adjust the value by tapping the  button. The range is 1-12.

Tap **Start** button to save and exit.

6.5 Water quality

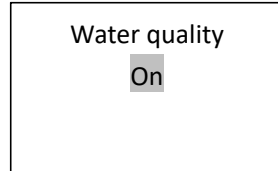
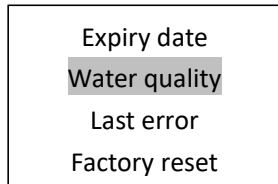
Select the “Water quality” to change the function.

Tap **Set** button to enter the menu.

If you don’t want to have a alarm if the quality of water is bad, set the value to Off by Taping

 button.

Tap **Start** button to save and exit.



6.6 Last error

Select the “Last error” to see the information of the last cycle that is failure.

Tap **Set** button to enter the interface.

It will record the parameters of the sensors when the alarm appears.

Tap **Start** button to save and exit.

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LAST  ERROR:  E30
2019-06-06  13:40
PC:13  ST:03  CN:00011
Pressure:  101kPa
T1:153.9   T3: 093.2℃
T2:028.1   T4: 220.5℃
    
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6.7 Factory reset

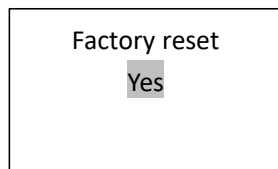
Select the “Factory reset” to recover the parameters of the programs.

Tap **Set** button to enter the interface.

Change Yes/No by tapping  button.

Tap **Start** button to confirm and exit ..

The value of holding time and drying time will restore the default value if you confirm “Yes”..



7.Maintenance

To assure proper operation and maximum autoclave life, carefully follow all recommendations for periodic maintenance. One of the MOST important steps you can take to prevent problems with your sterilizer is to use **ONLY** distilled water.

Frequency	Number of cycles	Maintenance operation
Monthly	50	Clean the door seal
		Clean the filter inside the chamber and in the clean water tank
		Clean the chamber the trays and the rack
		Clean the external surface
Every 3 months	200	Clean the distilled water tank
Every year	800	Replace the door seal

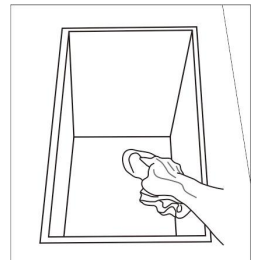
7.1 Clean the distilled water tank

Disconnect the main cable.

Drain the tank completely using the drain tube and leave it connected into the connector in a open position.

Clean the internal surface with a soft sponge and a small soft brush for the areas that are difficult to reach using and a mild soap.

Remove the filter and clean it with a small soft brush and mild soap, rinse it with distilled water and put it back in to the position.



7.2 Clean Chamber, door seal, trays and tray Rack.

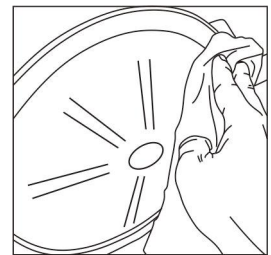
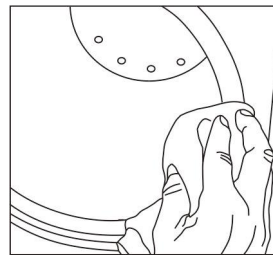
Remove the trays and tray rack from the chamber.

Clean trays, rack and inside of chamber with mild soap.

Rinse the trays, rack and inside of chamber with a smooth cloth and distilled water.

Examine door seal for possible damage.

Clean door seal and mating surfaces with a damp cloth.



Note: Do not use bleaching agents or any abrasive materials / substances in chamber. Failure to comply may result in damage to the chamber and/or other components.



Caution: To prevent burns, let unit to cool before cleaning gaskets and touch the surface.

7.3 Door adjustment

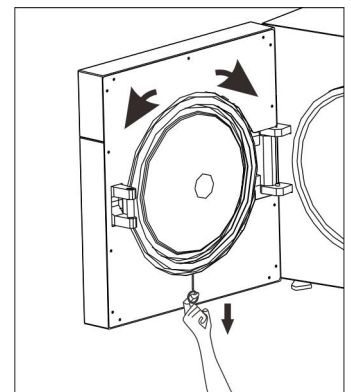
Under normal circumstances the chamber door does not require adjustments. However, if the seal fails (resulting in steam leaking from the front of the chamber), you may tighten the door seal.

7.4.1 Open the door.

7.4.2 Pull the lever at the bottom of the door to unlock the mechanism.

Tighten the door by rotate the lid counter-clockwise. Loosen the door by rotate the lid clockwise as the figure. Try the door every you rotate the lid 90° .

7.4.3 Release the lever after finishing adjusting.



Caution: Never adjust the chamber door while the door is closed.

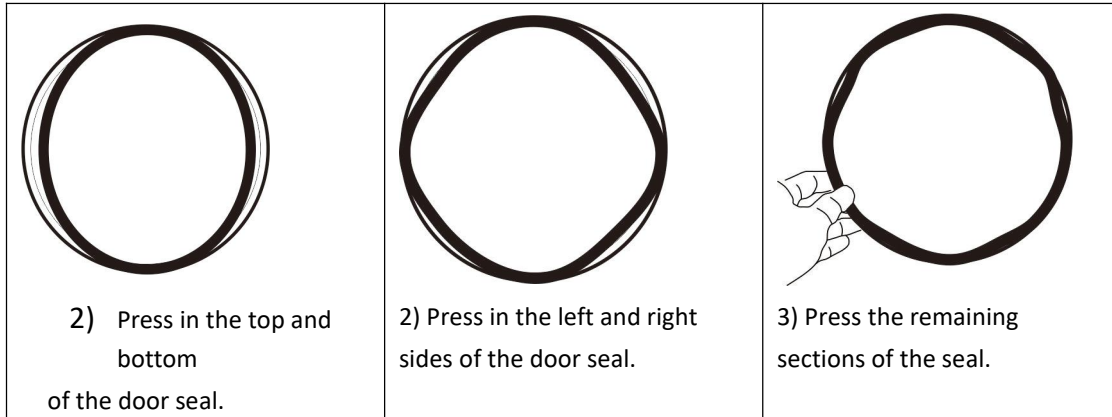
7.4 Replacement of the door seal

Open the chamber door. Remove the door seal ring carefully by hand.

Clean the door seal ring carefully with a smooth cloth with distilled water.

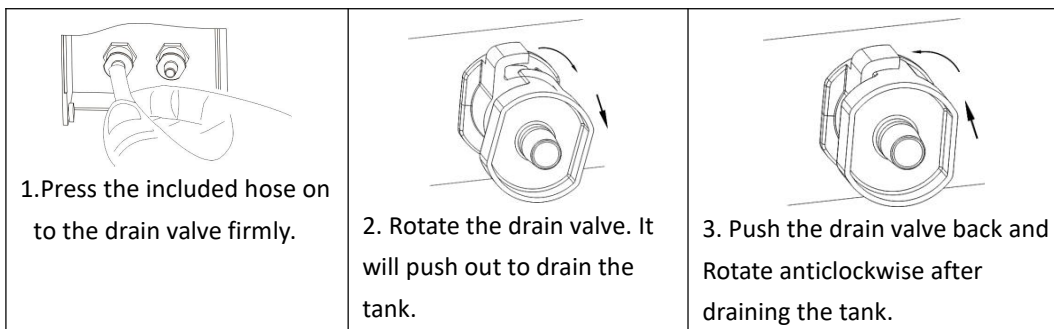
Moisten the new seal with medical disinfectant or isopropyl alcohol.

Insert the new seal and press in sequence as follows:



Caution: Please ensure the chamber and the door are cooled prior to replacing the seal ring.

7.5 The drain valve



8.Error codes

Code	Description	Proposed solution
E1	Steam generator temperature sensor error	Power off & run a new cycle Contact your supplier if error persists
E2	Inner temperature sensor error	Power off & run a new cycle Contact your supplier if error persists.
E3	Temperature sensor of the chamber wall error	Carefully ensure that the chamber wall is heated and contact your supplier
E5	Fail to release the pressure	Power off & run a new cycle Contact your supplier if error persists.
E6	Door lock problem during the cycle	Check the door close switch.
E7	The pressure is too lower during holding time.	Contact your supplier if error persists.
E8	The pressure is too high during holding time.	Contact your supplier if error persists.
E9	Failure to hold temperature	Ensure the distilled tank isn't empty. Check the inner temperature sensor. Check somewhere for leaking.
E11	Failure to preheat the steam generator	Power off & run a new cycle Contact your supplier if error persists.
E12	Failure to preheat the chamber	Power off & run a new cycle Contact your supplier if error persists.
E16	The pressure doesn't reach 0 in 5 minutes after drying period.	Contact your supplier if error persists
E18	The filling water pump working time is over time	Check the water pump or Contact your supplier if error persists
N20	Program manually interrupted	holding the  button for 3 seconds after the pressure is lower than 10kPa.
E24	It takes too long time to enter the next status.	Check somewhere leaking. Or contact your supplier if error persists.
E25	There is a problem of locking the door.	The door is too tighten. Or Check the door locking switch. Check the door motor. Contact your supplier if error persists.
E26	There is a problem of unlocking the door.	Check the door unlocking switch. Check the door motor. Contact your supplier if error persists.
E28	The pressure is over 240kPa	Power off and contact your supplier if error persists
N29	Power failure during working.	A notification message.
N32	The pressure is not lower than -1 kPa in 30 seconds during locking the door.	Open the door and try again. Or contact your supplier if error persists
N33	The pressure is not lower than 1 kPa in 30 seconds during unlocking the door.	Open the door and try again. Or contact your supplier if error persists.
E34	The pressure is higher than 50kPa during drying.	The solenoid valves are blocked.

Caution: You may cancel the voice of alarm by tapping any button. And cancel the alarm by holding the set button for 3 seconds after you repair it. Then switch off and switch on again.

9. Transportation and storage

9.1 Switch off the sterilizer before transportation or storage.

9.2 Pull out the plug. Let the machine cool down.

9.3 Drain the distilled water tank and the used water tank.

Condition for transport and storage

Temperature: -20°C ~ +50°C

Relative humidity: ≤ 85%

Atmospheric pressure: 50kPa~ 106kPa.

10. Safety devices

1.Main fuses: Protection the instrument against possible failures of the heating resistor.

Action: Interruption of the electric power supply.

2.Thermal cutouts on the main transformer windings: protection against possible short circuit and main transformer primary winding overheating

Action: Temporary interruption of winding.

3.Safety valve: Protection against possible sterilization chamber over-pressure.

Action: Release of the steam and restoration of the safety pressure.

4.Safety micro-switch for the door status: Comparison for the correct closing position of the door.

Action: Signal of the wrong position of the door

5.Thermostat on chamber heating resistors: Protection for possible over heating of the chamber heating resistors.

Action: Interruption of the power supply of the chamber resistors.

6.Thermostat on steam generator heating resistors: Protection for possible overheating of the steam generator heating resistors.

Action: Interruption of the power supply of the steam generator resistors.

7.Door safety lock: Protection against accidental opening of the door.

Action: Impediment of the accidental opening if the door during the program.

8.Self-leveling hydraulic system: Hydraulic system for the natural pressure leveling in case of manual cycle interruption, alarm or black-out.

Action: Automatic restoration of the atmospheric pressure inside chamber.

Appendix 1**Water properties / Characteristics**

Description	Feed water	Condensate
Evaporate residue	$\leq 10\text{mg/ l}$	$\leq 1.0\text{mg/kg}$
Silicium oxide SiO_2	$\leq 1\text{mg/ l}$	$\leq 1.0\text{mg/kg}$
Iron	$\leq 0.2\text{mg/ l}$	$\leq 0.1\text{mg/kg}$
Cadmium	$\leq 0.005\text{mg/ l}$	$\leq 0.05\text{mg/kg}$
Lead	$\leq 0.05\text{mg/ l}$	$\leq 0.1\text{mg/kg}$
Rest of heavy metals	$\leq 0.1\text{mg/ l}$	$\leq 0.1\text{mg/kg}$
Chloride	$\leq 2\text{mg/ l}$	$\leq 0.1\text{mg/kg}$
Phosphates	$\leq 0.5 \text{ mg/ l}$	$\leq 0.1\text{mg/kg}$
Conductivity	$\leq 15\mu\text{s /cm}$	$\leq 3 \mu\text{s /cm}$
PH Value	5 – 7.5	5-7
Appearance	Colorless, clean	Colorless, clean
Hardness	0.02 mmol/ l	0.02 mmol/ l

Appendix 2

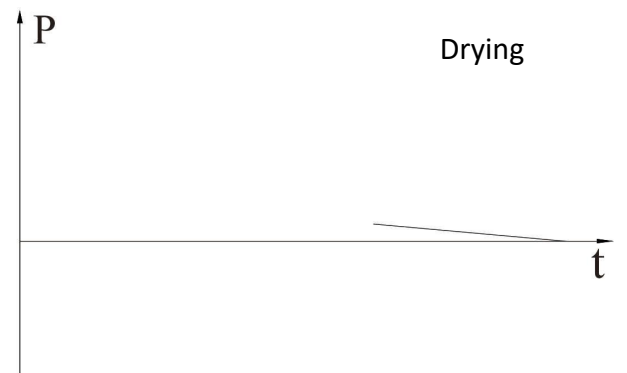
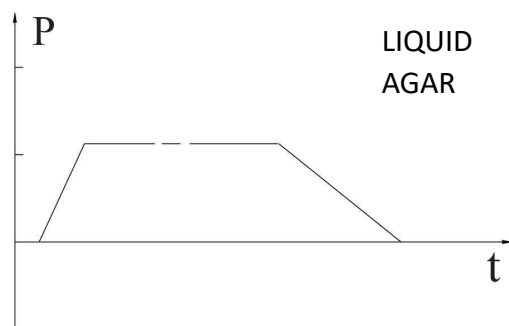
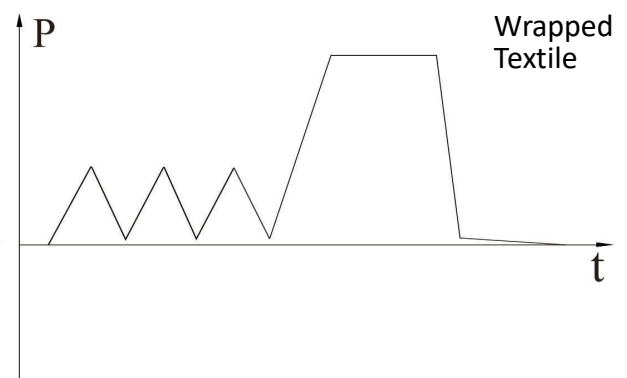
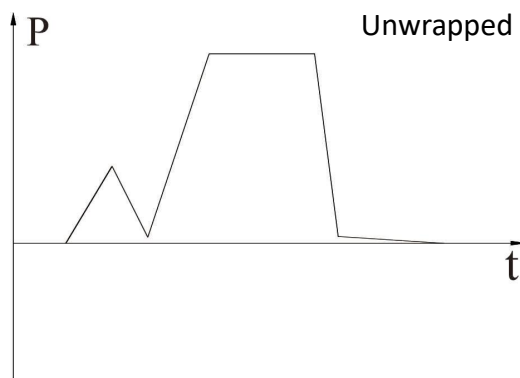
Diagrams of the sterilization programs

Programs	Temperature (°C)	Pressure (Kpa)	Holding time (min)	Total time (min)	Type
Unwrapped	134	210	4	25-40	Unwrapped solid material
	121	110	20	35-55	
Wrapped	134	210	6	35-60	Unwrapped porous material
					Single-wrapped porous material
	121	110	20	50-70	Dual-wrapped porous material
					Single-wrapped hollow material
					Dual-wrapped solid and hollow material
Textile	134	210	10	40-70	Unwrapped porous material
					Single-wrapped porous material
					Dual-wrapped porous material
	121	110	30	60-90	Single-wrapped hollow material
					Dual-wrapped solid and hollow material
Agar	121	110	30	60-80	Agar
Liquid	134	210	10	40-60	Liquid
	121	110	30	50-70	
Drying	—	—	—	1-20	—

The time required for sterilizer to be ready for routine use after the power is switched is less than 5 minutes.

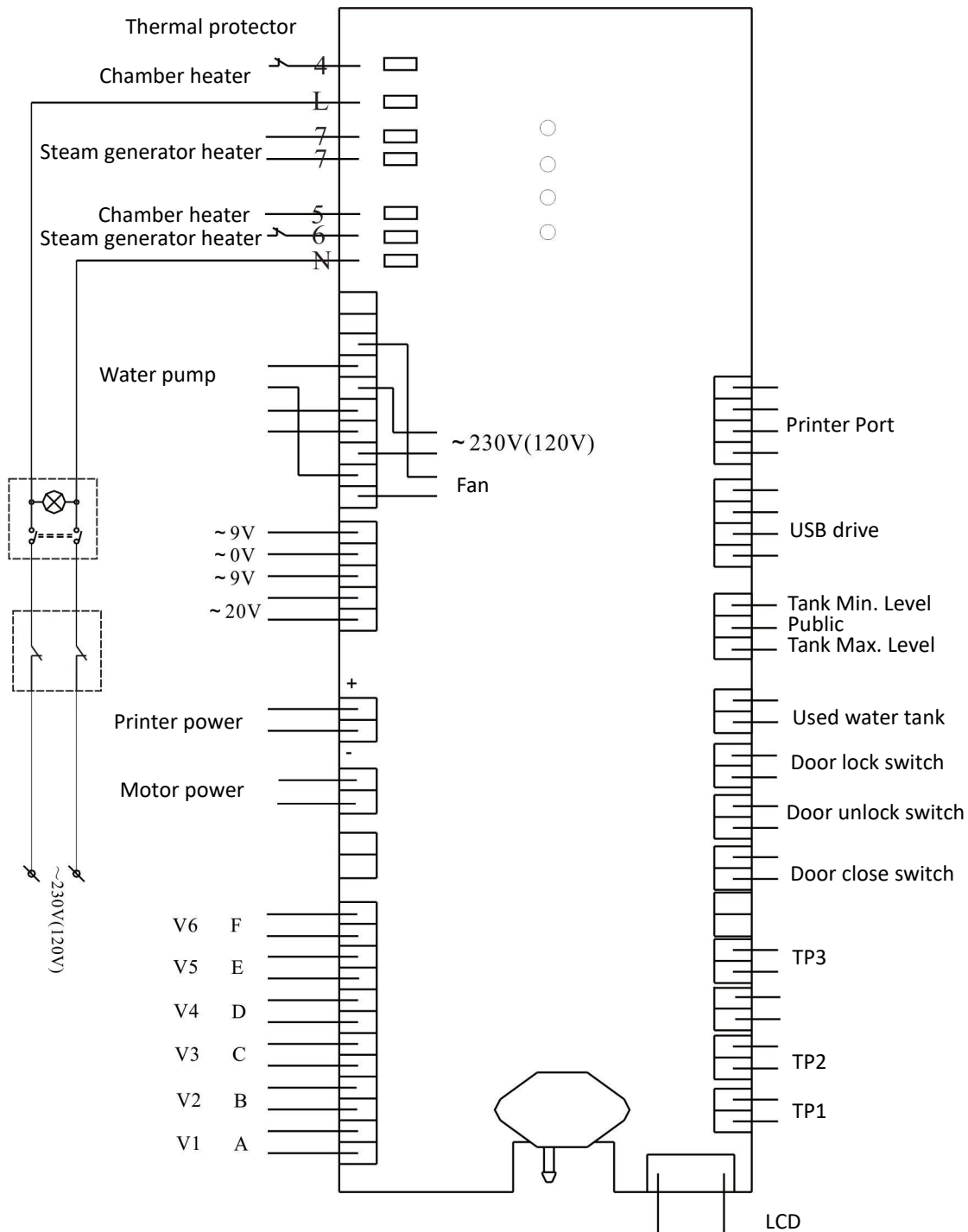
The max. Temperature of the 134°C sterilization cycle is 137°C

The max. Temperature of the 121°C sterilization cycle is 124°C



Appendix 3

Wiring diagram



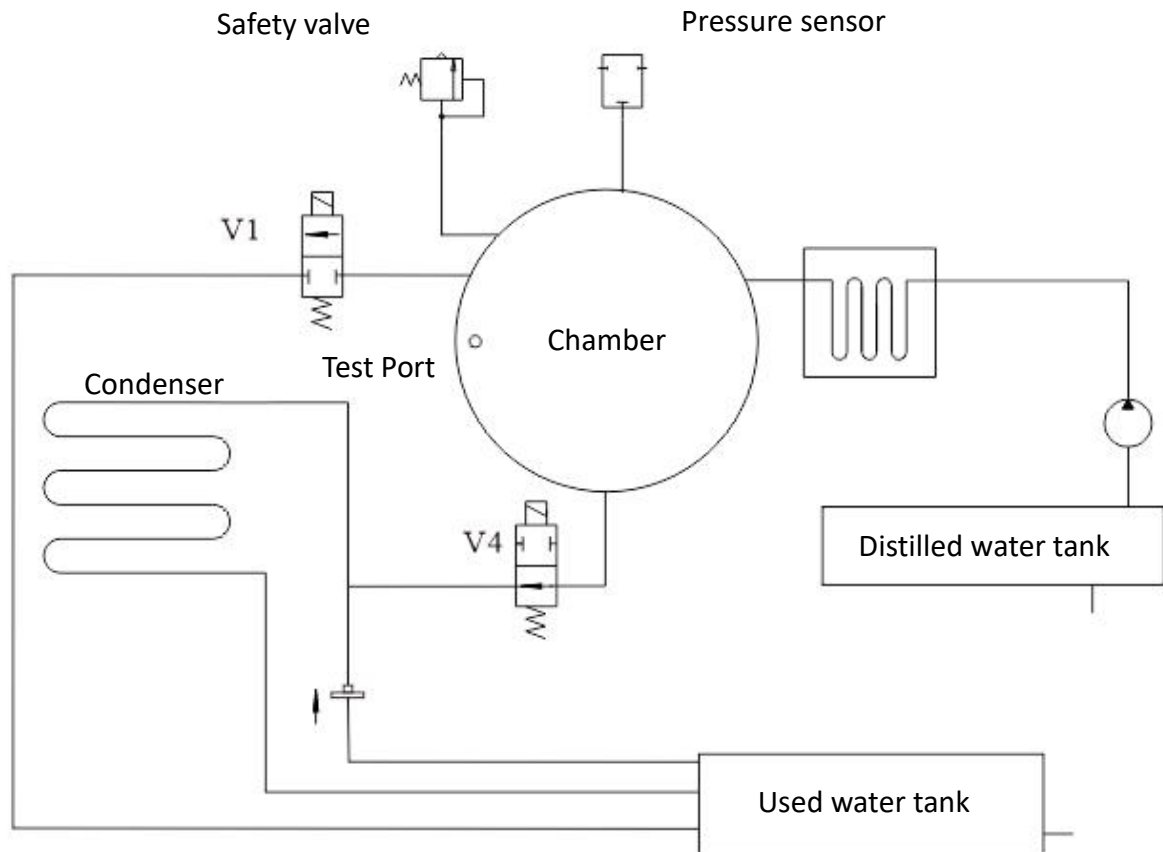
TP1: Steam generator temperature sensor

TP2: Inner temperature sensor

TP3: Temperature sensor of chamber wall

V1: Air release valve

V4: Water release valve

Appendix 4**Hydraulic diagram**

V1: Air release valve

V4: Water release valve