

# **Assembly and Installation Manual**



# **SOLFLO Solar Pool Pumps**

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# **SOLFLO Pump Assembly Instructions**

1. Remove pump base from shipping box and place on a flat surface.



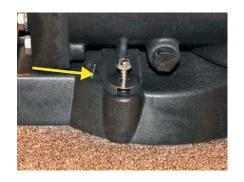
2. Rest the pump end on the base and align the two feet over the two mounting holes.



3. Place the stainless steel flat washers over the base flanges on each side of the pump. Insert the two stainless steel screws and start the two base mounting screws by hand.



4. Make sure the pump is straight in the base and the screws are aligned vertical before tightening.

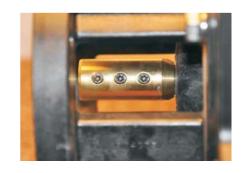


5. Tighten the screws until it just touches the base and then turn it an additional 1/4 turn. Do not over tighten the screws in the plastic base. If you see the stainless washer bend then that is too much.



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6. Rotate the pump shaft adapter until the set screws are aligned to the center of the motor adapter slot. This will be about a 45 degree angle.



7. Rotate the motor shaft until the key way is at the same 45 degree angle to align with the pump coupling set screws. Apply a small amount of never seize or grease to the motor shaft before inserting into coupling.



8. Install the motor by guiding the motor shaft inside the pump coupling. Make sure the key way aligns with the set screws.



9. Slide the motor toward the pump until it touches the motor adapter.



10. Install the four 3/8-16 motor bolts through the motor adapter into the motor and tighten.



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11. Now the impeller and the pre-load on the shaft seal needs to be adjusted. With a large flat point screw driver, pry the motor shaft coupling toward the motor until it stops. Then back it off about 1/8".



12. While holding the pump shaft in position with the screw driver, insert a 1/8"Allen wrench into one of the set screws and tighten. You can then remove the screw driver and tighten the other two set screws.



13. Your pump is now assembled and the impeller and shaft seal is adjusted properly. It is now ready for installation.



# SLOFLO SERIES POOL PUMP

# **Installation & Operating Instructions**

#### **GENERAL**

Your pump has been engineered to give maximum efficiency under normal pool water pumping applications. Consult the manufacturer for any other applications.

## **INSTALLATION**

#### I. LOCATION OF PUMP

Place pump on a firm level surface. The pump does not be need to be bolted down unless required by local code. Select a location close to the filter allowing for convenience and serviceability.

#### II. PUMP CONNECTIONS

The suction line from the pool skimmer and main drain must be connected to inlet on the hair and lint trap. It is recommended to have a minimum of 12" of straight pipe before hair and lint trap. The discharge line to pool (return lines) must be connected to outlet at top of pump. If the pump is installed below water level of pool, install valves on the inlet and outlet piping to permit removing of equipment without draining the pool.

CAUTION: During the pressure test procedure, this pump is under pressure. DO NOT LOOSEN the filter trap cap while pump is running or until all pressure is released. Raise the pressure slowly. Do not exceed 35 psi. Extreme care must be taken during pressure test. Failure to follow these instructions explicitly can result in personal injury.

#### **OPERATION**

#### I. PRIMING PUMP

At initial start-up, pump must be primed by filling hair and lint trap with water. To prime pump, remove cover from hair and lint trap; fill pump and suction trap with water. Replace cover (make sure the O-ring is in place) and tighten lock ring. Pump will now prime, with priming time depending upon lift and horizontal distance of suction piping.

#### II. CLEANING BASKET

It is important to clean the hair and lint basket frequently. A dirty basket will reduce the efficiency of the filter and heater and will put an abnormal stress on the pump motor, which could result in costly repair bills.

CAUTION: Do not remove hair and lint strainer lid while pump is running or under pressure! The lid can be removed or tightened by hand. Basket must be kept clear of leaves and debris at all times.

#### III. REMOVING BASKET

1.) Turn off motor. 2.) Remove trap lid by rotating counter clockwise. DO NOT USE TOOLS. 3.) Remove lid. 4.) Remove basket and empty debris. 5.) Replace basket, fill with water, replace lid and lock ring securely to prevent air from entering and tighten. DO NOT USE TOOLS 6.) Turn on motor.

NOTE: If pump is installed below water level of pool, close return and suction lines prior to opening hair and lint pot. Make sure to re-open valves prior to operating.

### DO NOT RUN PUMP DRY!

Always maintain proper water level in pool. If the water level falls below skimmer intake, pump will suck air. Pump is equipped with a maintenance-free heavy-duty mechanical seal. Damage will occur if pump runs dry, and warranty will be voided.

### IV. TO PREVENT FREEZING

Drain liquid from pump through plug at bottom front section of volute. Make sure the pump and filter equipment are completely empty to prevent freezing.

### **MOTOR**

Your pump is equipped with a permanently lubricated, maintenance-free, industrial quality motor designed to withstand the requirements of swimming pool application.

Improper wiring can cause serious injuries and damage to the motor, voiding warranty. (For wiring instructions, see system design diagram.)

NOTE: Motor is designed to withstand the effects of normal rainfall. To increase the life of your motor, observe the following. However is it recommended to install the pump out of the weather, if possible.

- 1.) Do not flood motor or submerge in water. To do so voids warranty.
- 2.) Provide ample cross ventilation, minimum of 6" at all points.
- 3.) Keep motor and surrounding area clean.
- 4.) Avoid sweeping or stirring dust near motor while it is running.
- 5.) Avoid storing or spilling dry chemicals, powders, etc., near motor.
- 6.) Provide protection against the elements.
- 7.) Locate motor on a slight elevation so water will drain away from motor.
- 8.) Avoid spilling or dripping liquid chemicals on or near motor.
- 9.) Avoid splashing water or hosing deck near motor. Water damage voids warranty.

For replacement parts or repairs, contact SunRay 1-855-372-8467.

WARNING – All electrical wiring of the motor installation must be done by a qualified electrician in accordance with applicable electrical codes. Before working on any motor be certain that the source of electrical power is off at the main junction box.

GROUNDING WIRE – Upon installation of the pump, the motor must be grounded with a No 8 AWG (8.4mm²) solid copper conductor per National Electric Code. The connection should be from the accessible wire connector on the motor to all metal parts of the swimming pool, spa, or hot tub structure and to all electrical equipment, metal conduit, and metal piping within 5 feet (1.5mm) of the inside walls of a swimming pool, spa or hot tub, when the motor is installed within 5 feet of the inside walls of the swimming pool, spa, or hot tub.

Note: For electrical connections, see system wiring diagram.

### TROUBLE SHOOTING

## If pump looses prime, or if too many bubbles come through return line, check:

- 1.) Hair and lint pot cover is tight and O-ring is in place and free from defects.
- 2.) Valves on suction and return lines are working properly and open 3.) Water level in pool is too low.
- 4.) Filter O-ring or gasket is in place and free from defects.
- 5.) All fittings and connections are secure and air tight.

## Not pumping water, check:

- 1.) Filter pressure gauge reading too high, indicating filter needs cleaning.
- 2.) Clogged plumbing lines.

- 3.) Clogged impeller.
- 4.) Worn or damaged impeller

## Motor does not run, check:

- 1.) Fuses
- 2.) Incorrect or loose wire connections
- 3.) Output of the controller, if used. Disconnect the controller and connect panel wires directly to the pump motor to see if the motor runs.

## Power to the motor but it doesn't run, check:

- 1.) Make sure motor shaft turns free.
- 2.) Jammed impeller or an obstruction in (volute) casing.
- 3.) Controller for proper output.
- 4.) Check the motor brushes to see if they are worn.

## Motor overheating, check:

- 1.) Incorrect or loose wire connections
- 2.) Oversized solar panel array.
- 3.) Make sure the motor gets a fresh air supply and the vents are kept unclogged

## Noises, check:

- 1.) Plumbing vibration
- 2.) Impeller turns freely and is properly adjusted
- 3.) Motor bearings
- 4.) For cavitation, due to obstruction in or undersized suction line.

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