Orbit **WaterMaster®**

Installation Manual / User's Manual
Sprinkler Timers by Orbit®

MODELS

57114, 57161, 57162, 57242, 91046, 91054, 94122, 94124, 94126

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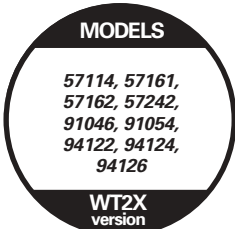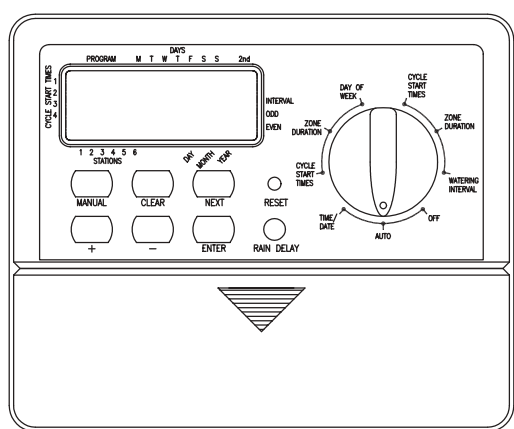
Weak or missing batteries can cause the time and date to be erased after a power failure.

Set the Time of Day and Date
If this is the first time the Timer has been programmed, you should press the small recessed button labeled **RESET**. Pressing **RESET** does not affect the factory installed fail-safe program [See Figure 2].
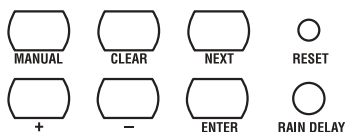
FIGURE 2: Programming Keys

■ Turn the rotary dial to the **TIME/DATE** position [See Figure 3].
■ **12:00 AM** will appear in the display with three arrows pointing to the year, month, and day.
■ Use the **+** and **-** keys to set the correct time of day. When the correct time of day is reached, press the **ENTER** key to lock in the time. To increase or decrease more rapidly, hold down either the **+** or **−** keys until the display goes into rapid advance mode.

■ A blinking cursor will appear below the arrow for the year, month, and date when programming [See Figure 3].
■ Use the **+** and **−** keys to set the correct year, then press **ENTER**.
■ Use the **+** and **−** keys to set the correct month, then press **ENTER**.
■ Use the **+** and **−** keys to set the correct date, then press **ENTER**.
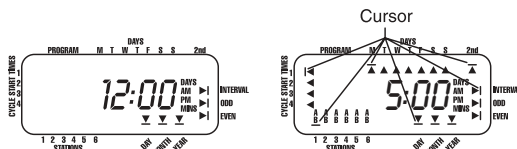
FIGURE 3: LCD Display with Surrounding Information

Caution: If a watering schedule is not entered into the Timer, the factory installed fail-safe program will turn on each station every day for 10 minutes.
*To avoid accidental valve activation, either turn the rotary dial to **OFF** or enter a watering schedule.*

Establish a Watering Schedule
To help you visualize how best to program the Timer, it might be helpful to make a watering plan on paper. This will help you establish which days and times you want to water.
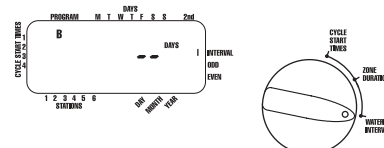

FIGURE 7: LCD Display with Watering Interval

■ Press and hold the **+** or **-** keys to select the number of days between watering. *Example: If you want to water once every 10 days, set the interval at 10.*
■ To activate the watering interval, press **ENTER**.

Note: If an interval of "3" is entered today, the Timer will water for the first time today, and then again every "3" days.

■ To select odd or even day watering, press **NEXT**. The cursor will move to either the odd or even setting, then press **ENTER**.
■ To erase a schedule, press **CLEAR**. To enter a new schedule, press **NEXT**.

Reviewing and Changing Your Program
The Orbit Timer lets you easily review a complete watering plan.

For example, to review Program-A watering start times, simply turn the rotary dial to the **CYCLE START TIMES** position in Program-A and check the times that have been entered. Using the **NEXT** key, you can advance through the schedule without fear of disturbing any programming. If you want to change the start times, watering days, or interval, simply follow the directions for that program. After reviewing or changing a watering schedule, remember to turn the rotary dial back to **AUTO**.

Ready for Automatic Operation
After programming is complete, turn the rotary dial to **AUTO** [See Figure 8]. The Timer is now fully programmed and ready to use in the automatic mode. In automatic mode, each program will operate sequentially, starting with Program-A.
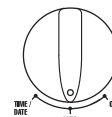
FIGURE 8: Ready for Automatic Operation

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section 1 Introduction

Thank you for selecting an Orbit® sprinkler Timer. Orbit® designers have combined the simplicity of mechanical switches with the accuracy of digital electronics to give you a Timer that is both easy to program and extremely versatile. The Orbit® Timer provides convenience and flexibility, letting you run a fully automatic, semi-automatic, or a manual watering program for all your watering needs.

Please read this manual completely before you begin to program and use the controller. A few of the most notable design features include:

At-a-Glance Simplicity
By turning the rotary dial to one of nine settings you can review programming or easily make changes.

Arm Chair Programmable
By inserting two AA alkaline batteries you can program the Timer prior to installing it in its permanent location.

Fuse
The 0.75 amp slow-blow fuse provides circuit protection. For replacement, use WaterMaster 0.75 amp fuse or equivalent.

Lexan Language Covers
Available in English, French, Spanish, Italian, German.

1. Digital Display
A large LCD (Liquid Crystal Display) shows the time of day and indicates many of the programming settings. The display is completely interactive with all other controls.

FIGURE 1: Location of Controls on the Timer

2. Programming Keys
The Timer has seven push button keys for setup and program entry. Working in conjunction with the rotary selector, the keys are used to set the time of day, watering time, watering days, start times, and other functions.

3. Selector Dial
This large dial makes it easy to see which function is currently selected and/or in which mode the Timer is set to operate.

4. Reset Button
The reset button clears the time, date and user-defined programming but does not remove the factory installed fail-safe program. To prevent an accidental reset, the button is recessed into the panel and must be pressed with a small pointed object such as a pen or pencil tip.

Notable Programming Features

Two Watering Programs—Summary
The Timer gives you the option of using one or both of the independent programs. Note that each station can independently be set to either A or B or both A and B programs.

Program–A
This program lets you schedule selected stations to water on specific days of the week or to water every 2nd day. Program A repeats itself continuously in successive weeks.

Program–B
Provides two options: One for odd or even day watering or for intervals ranging from everyday to every 28th day. This feature is designed to meet the growing needs and restrictions imposed by local governments and to conserve water. The Timer automatically calculates odd and even days (by date) for each month and makes adjustments for leap years to provide true odd and even watering through the year 2100.

Start-Time Stacking
The Timer has the intelligence to "stack" start times that overlap. If you enter two or more start times that overlap (in the same or in different programs), the Timer will not activate two stations at the same time. Instead, the Timer activates the first station and then activates the next station(s) in sequence after the first station finishes its preset watering duration.
The Timer will NOT stack to the next calendar day. This prevents the Timer from violating an odd or even day watering schedule.

Manual and Semi-Automatic Modes
The Timer gives you a number of manual and semi-automatic modes for flexibility in watering. You can override the Timer's automatic programming in a variety of ways.

section 2 Getting Started

Programming the Timer can be accomplished in just a few basic steps. Before you begin programming, it is important to install the batteries, set the time of day and date, and establish a watering plan.

Install the Batteries
The Timer requires two AA batteries to maintain the time, date, and programs in case of AC power loss. In a typical installation, fully charged batteries should provide sufficient power for approximately three years of operation.

■ Remove the terminal cover.
■ Insert two AA batteries into the battery compartment.
■ Return the terminal cover to its closed position.

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section 3 Programming

The Timer has two programs you can setup to control a variety of watering schedules. Depending on your needs, you can use either or both programs.

Enter Watering Schedule in Any Order
You have the option of entering your watering schedule in whatever order you like. This feature makes it very easy to review and change your watering schedule. Your settings can be changed at any time while you're setting up the initial schedule or even after years of operation.

Start Times for Program A or B
Note: A start time is the time of day that the program begins watering the first station, and all other stations in the program will then follow in sequence. There are not separate start times for each station. Start times do not correspond to specific stations, but to programs (A or B). If you enter more than one start time, all stations in the specified program will water again (in sequence).

■ The way you set the cycle start time is the same for both programs. Turn the rotary dial to the **CYCLE START TIMES** position in the program that you want to set. The display will show an A or B depending on which program you have selected. The display will show —— : —— and a blinking cursor in **CYCLE START 1** location [See Figure 4].
■ Set the time you want to begin watering for start time 1 using the **+** or **−** keys, then press the **ENTER** key. The display will advance to **START 2**. For additional start times, simply repeat this procedure by using the **+** and **−** keys to enter the time and then press **ENTER**. Remember, *Each start time will activate all stations that are set to water in the specified program. There are not separate start times for each station. Start times do not correspond to specific stations.*
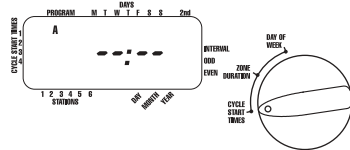■ Up to four start times can be entered per program (A or B).

FIGURE 4: LCD Display with Start Time

Water Duration for Program A or B
Note: Both programs require watering durations to be programmed.

■ Turn the rotary dial to **ZONE DURATION** position in either the A or B program. The display will show which program you have selected with an "A" or "B" and the - - cursor blinking at station "1" [See Figure 5].
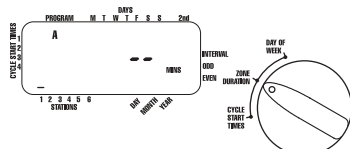
FIGURE 5: Station Duration for Program A

■ You can set the watering duration from 1 to 99 minutes. Press and hold the + key to advance the number of minutes, or use the - key to go in reverse, then press **ENTER**. When the minutes are set, "A" or "B" will appear over station 1 and the cursor will advance to station 2 and begin blinking.
■ Simply repeat these steps to set watering durations for all zones on this program
■ To skip a station, press the **NEXT** key.
■ To erase previously programmed watering durations, press the **CLEAR** key.

Assigning Watering Days for Program A
■ Turn the rotary dial to **DAY OF WEEK** in program A. The display will show an "A" and the cursor will blink under the days of week Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday, etc. [See Figure 6].
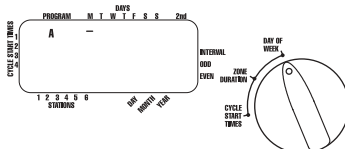
FIGURE 6: LCD Display with Watering Days

■ Press **ENTER** to activate watering on Monday. An arrow appears under M and the cursor will advance to Tuesday ("T"), press **ENTER** to activate watering on this day. Repeat these steps for all days of the week.
■ To skip a day, press **NEXT**.
■ To delete a previously entered day, press **CLEAR**
■ If you want to water every second day, press the **NEXT** key to advance the cursor to "2nd", then press **ENTER**.

Note: If you choose to water every 2nd day, you cannot set specific days of the week for watering

Assigning Watering Intervals for Program B
Program B is used to water at specific intervals between days (1 to 28), or on odd or even calender dates. The Timer has a leap-year compensator and will ensure conformance to the odd and even schedule through the year 2100.

■ Turn the rotary dial to **WATERING INTERVAL**. The cursor will blink to the left of the word **INTERVAL** [See Figure 7].

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section 4 Semi-Automatic & Manual Operation The Orbit Timer has the ability to override the automatic program without disturbing the preset program.

Using the Semi-Automatic Mode
(All stations cycle once both A & B programs)

■ Turn the rotary dial to **AUTO**, then press the **MANUAL** key. The display will show **"AB", "MANUAL"**, and **"ALL"** will be blinking [See Figure 9]. This indicates all stations will semi-automatically water for their assigned durations in sequence.
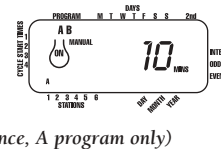■ To activate the *assigned* water durations in the A *and* B programs for each station, press **ENTER**.

FIGURE 9: Semi-Automatic Watering for Stations Assigned to A and B
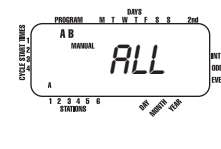
Note: Water durations assigned to station 1 in program A will water first, then move to station 1 in program B before advancing to the second station and will continue alternating. Only those stations assigned a watering duration will water when using the manual or semi-automatic mode [See Figure 10].

FIGURE 10: Semi-Automatic Watering Entered for A and B Programs, All Stations

(All stations cycle once, A program only)

■ To activate stations assigned watering duration for the A program *only,* press the **MANUAL** key, followed by the **NEXT** key. This will activate stations with assigned watering durations in the A program only. To initiate this semi-automatic watering, press **ENTER** [See Figure 11].

(All stations cycle once, B program only)

■ To activate stations assigned watering durations for the B program *only,* press the **MANUAL** key, followed by pressing the **NEXT** key two distinct times. This will activate only those stations with assigned watering durations in the B program only. To initiate this semi-automatic watering, press **ENTER**.

**FIGURE 11: Manual Watering in Either the A or B Program Only**
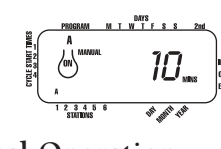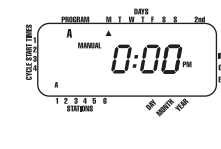
Using Manual Operation
The manual operation mode allows you to set durations in any of the stations from 1 to 99 minutes.

■ Turn the rotary dial to **AUTO**.
■ Press the **MANUAL** key. Then press **NEXT** three times. The display will show a blinking cursor on station 1 along with **- - MINS** [See Figure 12].

FIGURE 12: LCD Display with Manual Operation

■ To set the number of minutes for watering duration, press and
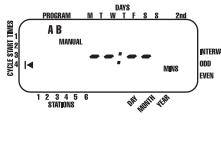
hold the **+** key to advance to desired number of watering minutes. Use the **-** key to go in reverse. Press **ENTER** to begin watering.

■ To skip a station, press **NEXT** until the cursor is blinking over the station number you wish to program. Example: To set station 3 for five minutes, press the **MANUAL** key; then press the **NEXT** key five times to select the manual operation mode and advance to watering for station 3; using the + or - key, set the manual watering duration to five minutes; then press **ENTER** [See Figure 13].

FIGURE 13: Manual Watering Station 3 for Five Minutes
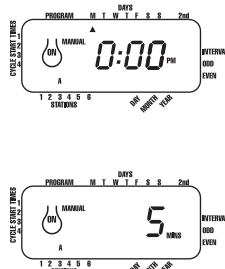
Note: After the MANUAL key has been pushed, if a selection is not made within 60 seconds the display returns to the time of day.

■ To halt or discontinue semi-automatic or manual watering, press the **CLEAR** key once. The Timer will revert to your original automatic watering plan.

Using the User Selectable Rain Delay Mode
To stop automatic watering for 24, 48, or 72 hours, use the **RAIN DELAY** mode key.

■ With the rotary dial set to **AUTO,** press the **RAIN DELAY** key once then press **ENTER**. The Timer will force a 24-hour interruption of all scheduled watering. After 24 hours, the Timer will automatically return to its initial watering schedule.

■ To increase the rain delay to 48 or 72 hours simply press the **RAIN DELAY** key again until the desired delay time is displayed, then press **ENTER**.

■ To cancel the rain delay mode, press **CLEAR** [See Figure 14].

■ *Note: While in rain delay mode, the timer will display the remaining hours (counting down) to the end of the accepted delay alternating with the current time and date. No other key besides CLEAR is accepted while the Timer is in the rain delay mode.*

FIGURE 14: LCD Display with Rain Delay

Complete System Shut Down
To shut the system down, turn the rotary dial to the **OFF** position. The Timer remains programmed but will not water.

■ Each valve has two wires. One wire is to be connected as the common. The common wires for all the valves can be connected together to one common wire going to the timer. The other valve wire is to be connected to the specific station wire that will control that valve **[See Figure 17]**.
■ All wires should be joined together using wire nuts, solder, and/or vinyl tape. For additional protection to waterproof connections, a WaterMaster® grease cap can be used.
■ To avoid electrical hazards, only one valve should be connected to each station.
■ The rated output is 24 volts AC at less than 0.240 Amps. Do not use solenoids that exceed these values.

2. Connecting Valve Wires to the Timer
■ Remove the terminal compartment cover.
■ Strip 1/4" (6 mm) of the plastic insulation off the end of each wire.
■ Determine which valve you want to connect to which station. Connect each valve wire to its station terminal (labeled 1-6) by inserting the bare wire fully into the terminal.
■ It may be necessary to open the terminal to allow for wire insertion or removal. To do this, turn the screw with a Phillips screwdriver until wire is secure [See Figure 18].

To Station Valve

■ Connect the common wire to the terminal labeled **COM** [See Figure 18].

Note: Only one wire can be installed into each terminal. If more than two common wires are used in your system, splice several together so only one wire runs into the COM terminal. Protect the splice connection with a wire nut.

FIGURE 18: Connecting Valve Wires

Australian Rating Information
Transformer:

Output:	600 mA	24 VAC	50 Hz
Input:	240 VAC	50 Hz	

Controller Ouput:

24 VAC

Help
Before returning this timer to the store, contact Orbit® Technical Service at: **1-800-488-6156.**

Listings
The timer is tested to UL-1951 (Indoor models) and is ETL® listed. Appropriate international models are CETL® and CE® approved.

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The information in this manual is primarily intended for the user who will establish a watering schedule and enter that schedule into the timer. This product is intended to be used as an automatic timer for activating 24 VAC irrigation valves, as described in this manual.

WaterMaster® by Orbit® Limited Four Year Warranty
Orbit® Irrigation Products Inc. warrants to its customers that its WaterMaster® products will be free from defects in materials and workmanship for a period of four years from the date of purchase. We will replace, free of charge, the defective part or parts found to be defective under normal use and service for a period of up to four years after purchase (proof of purchase required). We reserve the right to inspect the defective part prior to replacement. Orbit® Irrigation Products Inc. will not be responsible for consequential or incidental cost or damage caused by the product failure. Orbit® liability under this warranty is limited solely to the replacement or repair of defective parts.
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section 5
Installation of Indoor Mount Timer

Install the controller in 4 easy steps—

1. Choosing a Timer Location
2. Mounting the Timer
3. Connecting the Transformer
4. Connecting Valve Wires to Timer

1. Choosing a Timer Location
■ Select a location near a standard electrical outlet. Avoid using an outlet controlled by an **ON/OFF** switch.
■ The timer should not be exposed to the weather or operate at temperatures below 14 degrees or above 113 degrees Fahrenheit (-10 to 45 degrees Celsius). Avoid direct sunlight. For use under "normal pollution conditions".
■ Installation works best in a garage or protected area. The timer should not be mounted outdoors.

2. Mounting the Timer
■ Screw a No. 8 screw at eye level leaving the screw head extended out from the wall about 1/8 inch. Use expanding anchors in plaster or masonry if necessary.
■ Slip the keyhole slot in the back of the timer over the extended screw.
■ Screw a No. 8 screw through each of the two holes at the bottom of the box into the wall **[See Figure 15]**.
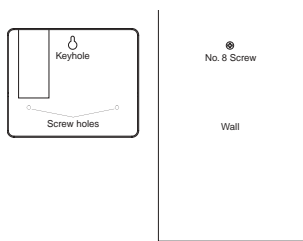

Keyhole
No. 8 Screw
Screw holes
Wall

FIGURE 15: Mounting of an Indoor Timer

3. Connecting the Transformer
■ With the wiring terminal shroud off, find the two terminal holes labeled **"24 VAC."** Make sure the transformer is not plugged in. Insert one of the two power leads from the transformer into each terminal. It doesn't matter which lead goes into which terminal.
■ It may be necessary to open the terminal to allow for wire insertion or

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OTHER QUALITY PRODUCTS AND ACCESSORIES

Automatic Rain Shut-Off
The rain shut-off easily connects to the timer and prevents overwatering during rainy periods.
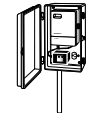
Weather Resistant Timer Box
Allows outdoor installation of most brands of indoor mount timers. UL® listed.

Automatic Valves
Durable, non-corrosive plastic construction. Automatic valves are available in anti-siphon or straight valves with safe, low voltage.

Automatic Converters
Durable non-corrosive plastic construction. Converts most brands of plastic or brass valves to automatic.

Grease Caps
Protects low voltage wires from corrsion or shorts.
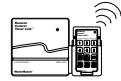
Remote Control Transmitter and Receiver
Control your sprinklers with the touch of a button up to 200' (60 m) from your sprinkler controller.

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removal. To do this, turn the screw with a Phillips screwdriver until wire is secure **[See Figure 16]**.
■ Plug in the transformer
Warning: Do not link two or more controllers together with one transformer.
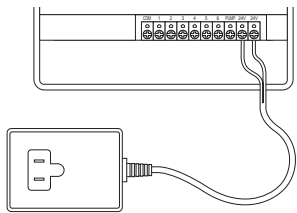■ Slide the shroud back on.

FIGURE 16: Connecting Transformer

Precautions:
• This controller is not intended for use by young children or infirm persons without supervision.
• Young children should be supervised to ensure they do not play with the controller.

section 6
Installing Valves, Pump Start Relays & Master Valves

1. Wiring the Electric Valves
■ If the distance between the controller and valves is under 700 feet (210 m), use WaterMaster® sprinkler wire or 20 gauge (AWG) plastic jacketed thermostat wire to connect the controller to the valves. If the distance is over 700 feet (210 m), use 16 gauge (AWG) wire. Terminals accept up to 14 gauge wire. The wire can be buried in the ground; however, for more protection wires can be pulled through conduit and buried underground. Be careful to avoid burying the wires in locations where they could be damaged by digging or trenching in the future.
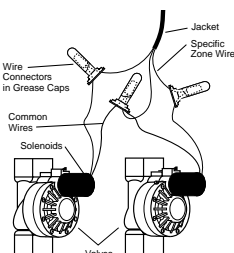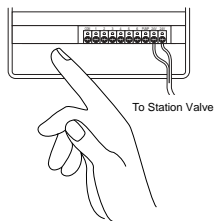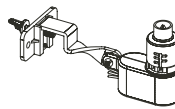

Jacket
Specific Zone Wire
Wire Connectors in Grease Caps
Common Wires
Solenoids
Valves

FIGURE 17: Connecting Timer Wires to Valves

TROUBLESHOOTING

Possible Causes of Problems

One or more stations do not turn on:
1. Faulty solenoid.
2. Wire broken or not connected.
3. Flow control stem screwed down, shutting valve off.
4. Programming is incorrect.

Stations turn on when they are not supposed to:
1. Water pressure is too high.
2. More than one start time is programmed.

One station is stuck on and will not shut off:
1. Faulty valve.
2. Particles of dirt or debris stuck in valve.
3. Valve diaphragm faulty.

All stations do not turn on:
1. Transformer defective or not connected.
2. Programming is incorrect.
3. Fuse has been blown.

Controller will not power up:
1. Fuse has been blown.
2. Transformer not plugged into an operational AC outlet.

Stations continue to turn on and off when they are not programmed to:
1. More than one start time is programmed with overlapping schedules.
2. Excessive pressure.

Fuse blows repeatedly:
1. Short in wiring or solenoids.