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Chamber Vacuum Sealer



**VAC**MASTER®

# Welcome

Thank you for purchasing the VacMaster® VP210 Chamber Vacuum Sealer. You are about to use one of the most powerful vacuum sealers available. With the help of the VP210, you will now be able to keep food fresh for longer, deliver consistent portion control, and streamline your operations with programmable seal and vacuum time settings.

The VP210 is a chamber vacuum system, which offers two distinct advantages over non-chamber, external suction units. First, a much higher level of vacuum can be achieved, which means a longer shelf life for foods that you package. Secondly, liquids and liquid-rich foods can be effectively vacuum packaged. Foods like fresh meats, fish, soups, stews and marinated vegetables are packaged quickly with ease and no mess. The VacMaster® VP210 is perfect for storage, cook chill, portion control, sous vide, processing game and more.

Register your product and get support at www.VacMasterFresh.com

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## Important Safeguards

**WARNING** – When using electrical appliances, basic safety precautions should always be followed to reduce the risk of fire, electric shock, and/or injury to persons, including the following:

- 1. Read all instructions.
- 2. This appliance is not intended for use by persons with reduced physical, sensory, or mental capabilities, or lack of experience and knowledge, unless they are closely supervised and instructed concerning use of the appliance by a person responsible for their safety.
- **3.** This appliance is not to be used by children. Close supervision is necessary when any appliance is used near children. Children should be supervised to ensure that they do not play with the appliance.
- **4**. Never let the vacuum sealer run unattended. Disconnect the vacuum sealer from the power source before leaving the work area.
- **5.** To protect against risk of electric shock, do not immerse cord, plug, or vacuum sealer in water or other liquid.
- **6.** To reduce the risk of electric shock and injury to persons, disconnect from power supply when not in use, before cleaning and before servicing.
- 7. To provide continued protection against risk, do not operate any appliance with a damaged supply cord or plug, or after the appliance malfunctions or has been dropped or damaged in any manner. Supply cord replacement and repairs must be conducted by the manufacturer, its service agent, or similarly qualified persons in order to avoid a hazard. Call the provided customer service number for information on examination, repair, or adjustment.
- **8.** The use of accessory attachments not recommended by the appliance manufacturer may cause injuries.
- 9. Do not use outdoors. Optimal operating temperature range is 65° to 75°.
- **10.** Do not let cord hang over edge of table or counter, or touch hot surfaces, including stove.
- **11.** Do not disassemble this appliance beyond instructions provided. Doing so may result in personal injury.
- 12. Do not place on or near a hot gas or electric burner, or in a heated oven.
- 13. Do not use for other than intended purpose.
- **14.** This appliance is designed for a maximum vacuum ON time of 70 seconds and a minimum OFF time of 10 seconds between cycles. Stop the appliance and allow it to cool to ambient temperature if the appliance has been in use for 45 minutes.
- 15. This appliance is for commercial use only.

## Important Tips

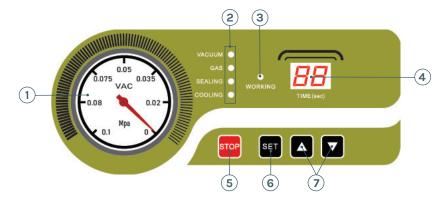
- Vacuum packaging is not a substitute for canning. All perishables still need to be refrigerated or frozen.
- Follow all food safety regulations as outlined by the FDA at www.FDA.gov.
- Use only VacMaster® Vacuum Chamber Pouches and accessories.
- Some fruits and vegetables may release gases, known as outgassing.
   When packaging these fruits and vegetables, outgassing can cause the vacuum to be gradually lost over time. Blanching or freezing before vacuum packaging helps prevent this from occurring.
- Delicate foods can be frozen prior to packaging to protect them from getting crushed by the vacuum.
- Use VacMaster® Bone Guards to cover an item's sharp edges to prevent pouch punctures.
- Allow foods and liquids to cool to room temperature before vacuum packaging.
- Avoid overfilling the pouch. Leave a minimum of 3" of space between the contents and the open end of the pouch. This is called head space. This will prevent spills during the vacuum sealing process.
- To prevent wrinkles from forming in the seal, gently stretch the pouch flat along the seal bar before closing the lid.
- VacMaster® pouches are boilable, freezable, and microwavable. When microwaving, it is important to pierce or make a small cut in the pouch.

### VP**210 Features**



- 1. Seal Pad
- 2. Lid Gasket
- 3. Power Switch
- 4. Vacuum Chamber
- space in the chamber.
  The plates allow for faster vacuum. When more space is occupied, there is less air to be removed from the chamber.
- 6. Seal Bar
- Lid Lock: This feature is used to keep the lid closed while the machine is in storage. DO NOT USE while the machine is operating.
- 8. Control Panel

## VP210 Control Panel



- 1. Vacuum Gauge- Indicates the vacuum level inside the chamber.
- 2. Function Lights:

**Vacuum -** Illuminates to adjust vacuum time as well as during the vacuum process. During set up, adjust the vacuum time using the UP/DOWN Buttons.

Gas - This model does not offer the gas flush option.

**Sealing -** Illuminates to adjust vacuum time as well as during the sealing process. During set up, adjust the sealing time using the UP/DOWN Buttons.

**Cooling -** Illuminates to adjust vacuum time as well as during the cooling process. During set up, adjust the cooling using the UP/DOWN buttons.

- 3. Working Indicator Light Illuminates to indicate the machine is in use.
- **4. LED Screen (Time) -** Displays current function or cycle time, measured in seconds.
- 5. STOP Button Press to stop the cycle and immediately seal the pouch. This button will only work when the machine is in the vacuum process.
- **6. SET Button -** Press to select the vacuum time, sealing time, or cooling time. Use with the UP/DOWN buttons.
- 7. **UP/DOWN Buttons -** Press to increase or decrease vacuum time, sealing time, or cooling time.

# How to Use

### Set Up - Powering up the VP210

- Attach the power cord and plug the machine into a grounded electrical outlet - Properly insert the electrical cord into the power outlet on the back of the machine and then plug the cord into the wall outlet.
- 2. Open the machine lid Release the lid lock, located on the right side of the machine, and allow the lid to lift and remain open.
- 3. Do not stand over the lid

**IMPORTANT:** Do not turn the machine on until the lid lock has been released. The lid lock feature is used ONLY to keep the lid closed while the machine is in storage.

- 4. To power ON press "I" on the power switch.
- To power OFF, press "O" on the power switch.



### Set Up - Adjusting the VP210 Timing Controls

NOTE: All timing adjustments must be made with the lid lock off and the lid open.

To adjust/set the timing controls, press the SET button on the control panel until the required label (Vacuum, Sealing or Cooling) is illuminated. For each selection, the current time setting will show on the LED Screen. All time settings are displayed in seconds.

For initial testing, the time settings should be:

Vacuum Time - 40 seconds Sealing Time - 1.2 seconds Cooling Time - 2.2 seconds

To change the settings, please read the instructions for each control on Page 6.

## How to Use

## Set Up - Adjusting the VP210 Timing Controls

**Vacuum Time:** To increase or decrease the vacuum time, press the SET button until VACUUM is illuminated and then use the UP/DOWN buttons to adjust the vacuum time accordingly. The time setting will display on the LED Screen on the control panel.

**NOTE:** Filler plates can be used to reduce the vacuum time required. Place the filler plates inside the chamber as desired. Filler plates occupy space, leaving less air to be removed from the chamber. If you require more space inside the chamber, remove the filler plates to accommodate your product.

**Sealing Time:** To increase or decrease the sealing time, press the SET button until SEALING is illuminated and then use the UP/DOWN buttons to adjust the sealing time to accommodate your application. It is recommended that you make adjustments in 0.2 second increments to avoid melting the pouch.

**NOTE:** For thicker pouches, increase the seal time in 0.2 second increments until the pouch seals completely. In addition, for thinner pouches, decrease the seal time in 0.2 second increments to avoid over-sealing the pouch.

**Cooling Time:** To increase or decrease the cooling time, press the SET button until COOLING is illuminated and then use the UP/DOWN buttons to adjust the cooling time accordingly.

NOTE: The VP210 settings will always default to the most recently used settings on the machine

**TIP:** To prolong the life of your seal bar, set the cooling time to twice the sealing time.

**NOTE:** After setting the timing controls, press the SET button until the function lights on the control panel are no longer illuminated. The machine will not start until all function lights are off.

#### 1. Select a vacuum chamber pouch

Select the proper size of vacuum chamber pouch for the product that you are packaging. Make sure that the mouth of the pouch does not exceed the length of the seal bar and make sure the entire pouch fits inside the chamber. Allow 3" of extra headspace at the top of the pouch to ensure a quality, air-tight seal. The VP210 accepts vacuum chamber pouches up to 10"W x 13"L in size.

### How to Use

#### 2. Fill the pouch and place inside the chamber

Fill the pouch with the product to be vacuum packaged and place the pouch inside the chamber. Keep pouches that contain liquids or wet product below the height of the seal bar. Lay the pouch flat inside the chamber, with the opening of the pouch across the seal bar. Make sure that the pouch lies flat across the seal bar and is free of wrinkles. Note: The entire pouch, including the opening, must remain inside the chamber.

#### 3. Close the machine lid to vacuum and seal

Close the lid and press down firmly for 2-3 seconds or until the vacuum gauge begins to move.

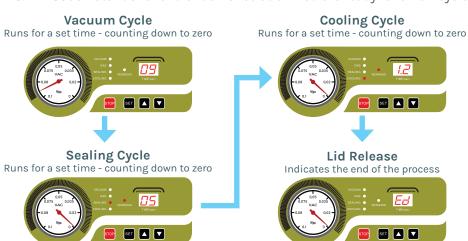
#### 4. Inspect the pouch

When the lid opens, remove and inspect the pouch.

**Vacuum confirmation -** Check the quality of the vacuum by looking at the tightness of the pouch and the product. Look for air pockets or air leaks. If you notice that the product is not vacuum packaged tightly, then increase the vacuum time by 5 seconds, vacuum and seal again.

**Seal confirmation** – Inspect the pouch seal. A positive seal will appear clear upon inspection. If the seal is spotty or incomplete, increase the seal time by 0.1 second. If the seal appears white or milky, decrease the seal time by 0.1 second. Once the settings are determined for your application, vacuum and seal again. If the product is vacuumed and sealed tightly, then the process is complete.

5. ED Code - stands for end of demonstration. You are ready for a new cycle.



# **Troubleshooting**

#### VP210 will not turn on -

- Make sure the machine is properly plugged into a grounded outlet.
- Check the power cord for tears and frays. Do not use this machine if the power cord is damaged.
- Make sure the power switch is turned on. The LED screen will be illuminated when on.
- If you see 'F1' displayed on the LED screen and the machine will not function, make sure the lid is open and turn the power off. Turn the machine back on and it should return to working order.

### VP210 does not pull a complete vacuum with pouch -

- The vacuum time may not be set high enough. Set the vacuum time higher and vacuum again.
- To vacuum and seal properly, the opening of the pouch must be within the vacuum chamber. For detailed instructions, refer to "How To Use the VacMaster® VP210 Chamber Vacuum Sealer".
- The seal bar, lid gasket and vacuum pouch need to be clean, dry and free of debris for the vacuum process to be successful. Wipe surface of the seal bar, lid gasket and the inside of the pouch and try again.

#### Vacuum pouch loses vacuum after being sealed -

- Sharp items can poke small holes in pouches. To prevent this, cover sharp edges with VacMaster" Bone Guard and vacuum in a new pouch.
- Some fruits and vegetables can release gases (outgassing) if not properly blanched or frozen before packaging. Open the pouch. If you think food spoilage has begun, discard the food. If food spoilage has not yet begun, consume immediately. If in doubt, discard the food.

### High elevation may cause the gauge to not go all the way green.

### VP210 is not sealing pouch properly -

- The seal time may not be long enough. Increase the seal time and try again.
- Pouches will not seal if any moisture, food particles or debris are present in the seal area. Wipe the inside of the pouch clean and try again.
- Pouches must be properly placed along the seal bar. Make sure the entire pouch is over the seal bar and there are no wrinkles in the pouch material.

If problems persist, contact customer support at (800) 821-7849 or TechSuppotARY@aryinc.com for further assistance.

## Cleaning & Storage

- Disconnect the power cord from the electrical outlet by unplugging it. DO
   NOT disconnect by pulling on the cord.
- DO NOT immerse in water or spray directly with liquid.
- Check the Vacuum Chamber and Gasket, making sure they are clean and free of debris. If needed, use a clean, damp cloth with mild soap.
  - a. Wipe the vacuum chamber clean.
  - b. Wipe the gasket clean.
  - c. Wipe the seal area clean.
- Do not store the VP210 outside. 65° to 75° recommended.
- DO NOT use any acetone-based or abrasive cleaners on the lid or other plastic parts. Only clean lid with a damp cloth and mild soap.

#### Maintenance Kit

- Double Sided Tape: Used for adhering the top bar that holds the seal pad in the lid.
- 15-Amp Fuses (2x): Can be used for replacing fuses located on the control transformer and the cord receptacle. NSF models will have a fuse on the seal transformer.
- Seal Wire: Used to replace seal wire that spans the length of the seal bar; should be replaced if the wire shows heavy discoloration.
- 4. Seal Tape: Used to replace seal tape the covers the seal wires; should be replaced if the tape shows heavy discoloration, is torn, or is starting to lose the adhesive.
- 5. Oil Fill Bottle: Used to fill pump with oil.
- Hex/ Allen Wrench: Used to removed tension blocks that hold the seal wire to the base of the seal bar.
- #1 Screwdriver: Used to un-thread screws on the cabinet of the machine and the screws to move the chamber.



## Vacuum Packaging Guidelines

- Follow all food safety regulations as outlined by the FDA at www.FDA.gov.
- Vacuum packaging is NOT a substitute for canning.
- Vacuum packaging cannot reverse the deterioration of foods.
- Vacuum packaging is NOT a substitute for refrigeration or freezing.
- Some fruits and vegetables may release gases, known as outgassing. When packaging these fruits and vegetables, outgassing can cause the vacuum to be gradually lost over time. Blanching or freezing before vacuum packaging helps prevent this from occurring.

**NOTE:** Due to the risk of anaerobic bacteria, soft cheeses, fresh mushrooms, garlic and onions should never be vacuum packaged.

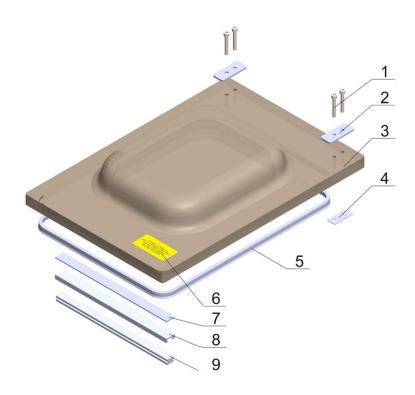
It is critical that food handling and storage are maintained at low temperatures. You can reduce the growth of microorganisms at temperatures of 34°F or less. Freezing at 0°F will not kill microorganisms, but reduces the chances of them growing. For longterm food storage, always freeze foods that have been vacuumed packaged.

**NOTE:** Beef and other proteins may look darker after being vacuum packaged. This is due to the removal of oxygen and is not an indication of spoilage.

All perishable foods must be refrigerated or frozen.

# Parts Information

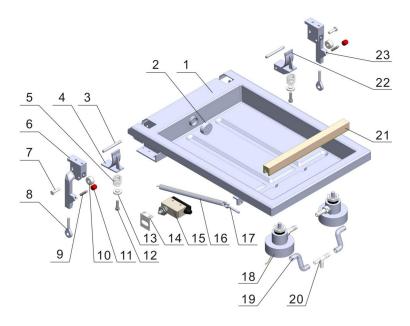
### LID ASSEMBLY



	Part #	Part Name	Qty
1		Hex socket head cap screw	4
2		Press plate on organic cover	2
3	979201	Lid	1
4		Lower pressure plate of the organic cover	2
5	979425	Lid Gasket (made to fit)	1
	978263	Lid Gasket (bulk)	6 ft
6		Sticker	1
7	979825	Tape, top bar	1
8	979225	Top bar, seal pad holder (brown)	
9	979227	Seal Pad	1

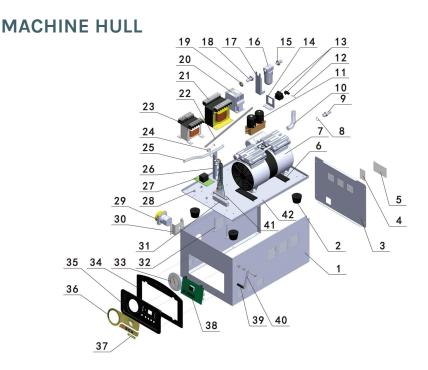
# Parts Information

### **CHAMBER ASSEMBLY**



	Part #	Part Name	Qty
1		Vacuum chamber components	1
2		Vent guard	1
3, 4, 6	979252	Hinge Set	1 Set
5	979148	Spring, Support arm	2
7		Damper axle	2
8		Joint bearing	2
9		Phillips pan head screw	2
10		Damper wheel	2
11		Positioning buffer silicone rubber	2
12		Hex socket head cap screw	2
13		Pressure regulator plate	2
14	979354A	Bracket, proximity switch	1
15	979255	Microswitch	1
16	979256	Spring, Lid	2
17		Tension spring adjustment lever	2
18	979380	Piston assembly	2 Set
19	979157	Hose, vacuum pump	1
20	979380	Piston, large	1
21	979200	Seal bar assembly	1
22		Left damper plate assembly	1
23		Zuomen mortar	1

## **Parts Information**



	Part #	Part Name	Qty		Part #	Part Name	Qty
1		Chassis components	1	23	979139	Control transformer	1
2	979159	Rubber foot	4	24		Strut torsion spring	1
3		Back cover	1	25	979157	Hose, vacuum pump	1
4		Sticker	1	26		Mount	1
5		Stainless steel nameplate	1	27	979136	Relay, timer	1
6		Piston pump rubber pad	2	28	980100	Relay spacer	4
7	978377	Pump, Oil - free piston vacuum pump	1	29	979138	Power switch	1
8		O-ring rubber seal	1	30		Finger switch holder	1
9		Piston pump connector	1	31		20 pin socket	1
10	979157	Hose, vacuum pump	1	32		Cross recessed pan head screw type H	2
11	979260	Solenoid, valve pack	1	33	979126	Gauge, vacuum	1
12	979209	Fuse, 15A	2	34 - 35	979131	Faceplate, Vacmaster panel	1
13	979213	Plug, socket w/fuse	1	36 - 37		Stickers, green panel decal sticker (non- programmable)	1
14		Socket mount	1				
15 - 19	979144	Air filter	1	38	979129	Main board	1
20	979141	Relay, contactor	1	39 - 40	979172	Lid latch assembly	1
21	979240	Sealing transformer	1	41	979242	Cable, control	1
22		Strut	1	42	979149	Housing, bottom	1

### **Packaging Information**

With the VP210, you can easily package a wide variety of sizes and shapes. You can also prep and store smaller individual serving portions as well as bulk items.

- Keeps food fresh 3-5 times longer than conventional storage bags.
- Several sizes available to meet your packaging needs.
- Terrific for hundreds of applications in and out of the kitchen
- Safe for freezer, refrigeration, and microwave use.
- Re-Therm pouches are reinforced to be able to handle being boiled for up to 30 minutes. The other bags can be boiled, but not for that long without being compromised. When a normal bag becomes compromised, the pouch will begin to delaminate.
- Bag thickness available in standard 3mil or heavy duty 4mil.
- Bags are economically priced, giving you a better value.

The chamber of the VP210 can easily vacuum package the following sizes of vacuum pouches:

ITEM#	DESCRIPTION	#	ITEM#	DESCRIPTION	#
30765	2.5" X 10" Vacuum Chamber Pouches 3-Mil 2000/Box	4x	30722	8" X 10" Vacuum Chamber Pouches 3-Mil 1000/Box	1x
30766	6" X 7" Vacuum Chamber Pouches 3-Mil - 1000/Box	1x	30614	8 X 10 Vacuum Chamber Pouches 4-Mil 1000/Box	1x
30742	6" X 8" Vacuum Chamber Pouches 3-Mil - 1000/Box	1x	50719	8 X 10 Zipper Vacuum Chamber Pouches 3-Mil 1000/Box	1x
30608	6" X 8" Vacuum Chamber Pouches 4-Mil - 1000/Box	1x	30723	8" X 12" Vacuum Chamber Pouches 3-Mil 1 000/Box	1x
30720	6" X 8.5" Vacuum Chamber Pouches 3-Mil - 1000 /Box	1x	40751	8 X 12 Re-Therm Vacuum Chamber Pouches 3-Mil 1000/Box	1x
30750	6" X 8.5" Re-Therm Vacuum Chamber Pouches 3-Mil 1- 000/Box	1x	30754	8 X 12 Vacuum Chamber Pouches 4-Mil 1000/Box	1x
30721	6" X 10" Vacuum Chamber Pouches 3-Mil - 1000/Box	1x	50720	8 X 12 Zipper Vacuum Chamber Pouches 3-Mil 1000/Box	1x
30610	6" X 10" Vacuum Chamber Pouches 4-Mil - 1000/Box	1x	30777	9 X 12 Vacuum Chamber Pouches 3-Mil 1000/Box	1x
50717	6" X 10" Zipper Vacuum Chamber Pouches 3-Mil - 1000/Box	1x	40731	10 X 8 Horizontal Vacuum Chamber Pouches 3-Mil 250/Box	1x
40721	6" X 12" Pouches 3-Mil Flat Vacuum Chamber Pouches - 500/Box	1x	30724	10" X 10" Vacuum Chamber Pouches 3-Mil 1000/Box	1x
30743	6" X 12" Vacuum Chamber Pouches 3-Mil - 1000/Box	1x	50724	10 X 12 Zipper Vacuum Chamber Pouches 3-Mil 1000/Box	1x
30612	6" X 12" Vacuum Chamber Pouches 4-Mil - 1000/Box	1x	30620	10 X 12 Vacuum Chamber Pouches 4-Mil 1000/Box	1x
50718	6" X 12" Zipper Vacuum Chamber Pouches 3-Mil - 1000/Box	1x	40725	10" X 13" Pouches 3-Mil Vacuum Chamber Pouches 250/Box	1x
30788	7 X 9 Vacuum Chamber Pouches 3-Mil 1000/Box	1x	30725	10" X 13" Vacuum Chamber Pouches 3-Mil 1000/Box	1x
30789	7 X 11 Vacuum Chamber Pouches 3-Mil 1000/Box	1x	30778	10" X 13" Vacuum Chamber Pouches 4-Mil 1000/Box	1x
30791	7 X 12 Vacuum Chamber Pouches 3-Mil 1000/Box	1x	30776	10 X 13 Vacuum Chamber Pouches 5-Mil 1000/Box	1x
40722	8" X 10" Pouches 3-Mil Flat Vacuum Chamber Pouches 500/Box	1x			

# More Resources



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to see how use VacMaster® products, get tips, and see our recipes!

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SKU:	Machine Type:	Chamber Size:
VP210	Tabletop Chamber	11.25" x 15.25" x 5"
Seal Bar Length:	Vacuum Pump:	Cycle Time:
10.25"	1/4 HP Maintenance Free Pump	20-60 Seconds
Electrical Specs:	Machine Dimensions:	Weight:
Single phase 110 V 20 AMP	14" x 20" x 15"	72 lbs
Maximum Bag/ Pouch Size:	Compatible Bags/ Pouches:	
10" x 13"	Chamber Vacuum Sealer Pouches	

#### Includes:

60 Assorted Vacuum Chamber Pouches 2 Filler Plates Maintenance Kit User's Guide

## **Limited Warranty**

ARY, Inc., a distributor and manufacturer of vacuum packaging and other machines (collectively, the "Goods"), extends to the purchaser of the Goods a Limited One Year Warranty, from the receipt of the Goods, under terms and conditions set out herein.

All Goods sold by ARY, Inc. are warranted to be free from defects in material and workmanship at the time of delivery to purchaser. Defective material may be returned to ARY, Inc. after inspection by an agent of ARY, Inc. and upon receipt from ARY, Inc. of shipping instructions specific to the defective Goods authorized by ARY, Inc. to be returned. ARY, Inc. at its sole option, may either (i) replace or repair any defective materials and workmanship (and return the Goods to purchaser without charge), (ii) refund the purchase price, or (iii) grant a reasonable allowance with the foregoing procedure.

This warranty is subject to the following limitations:

- i. ARY, Inc.'s responsibility and the purchaser's exclusive remedy under this warranty is limited to the repair or replacement of defects in material and workmanship, refund of the purchase price, or grant of a reasonable allowance on account of such defects, all as set forth above. ARY, Inc. is not responsible for any consequential damages resulting from the breach of this or any other express or implied warranty with respect to the Goods.
- ii. This express warranty is the only warranty applicable. It excludes all other express oral or written warranties and all warranties implied by law with respect to the Goods, including any warranties or merchantability or fitness for a particular purpose.
- iii. Every claim under this warranty shall be deemed waived by purchaser unless made in writing within one (1) year of the receipt of the Goods to which such claim relates.
- iv. This warranty, as to the Goods, is void (a) to repairs made by anyone other than ARY, Inc. without prior authorization from ARY, Inc., (b) to performance of any system of which ARY, Inc.'s Goods are a component part, (c) to deterioration by corrosion or any cause of failure other than defect of material or workmanship, (d) to any components of the Goods, including, without limitation, Teflon tape, lid gaskets and seal wire, or (e) if any of the Good or parts thereof have been tampered with or altered by someone other than ARY, Inc., or subjected to misuse, neglect, abuse, or misuse in application.

ARY, Inc.'s maximum liability hereunder, arising from any cause whatsoever, whether based in contract, tort (including negligence), strict liability, or any other theory of law, shall not exceed the purchase price. A suit based on any aforementioned cause of action must be commenced within one year from the date said action accrues.

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