

# BUNN®

# VP17 Series

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## INSTALLATION & OPERATING GUIDE

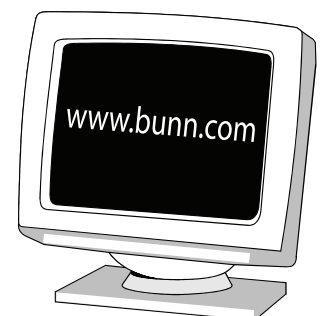
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- 1) Airpots, thermal carafes, decanters, GPR servers, iced tea/coffee dispensers, MCR/MCP/MCA single cup brewers, thermal servers and ThermoFresh® servers (mechanical and digital) 1 year parts and 1 year labor.
- 2) All other equipment - 2 years parts and 1 year labor plus added warranties as specified below:
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# INTRODUCTION

This equipment will brew a ½ gallon batch of coffee into an awaiting server. The brewer may have a hot water faucet for allied beverage use. It is only for indoor use on a sturdy counter or shelf.

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## USER NOTICES

Carefully read and follow all notices in this manual and on the equipment. All labels on the equipment should be kept in good condition. Replace any unreadable or damaged labels.

**POUR IN WATER ONLY**

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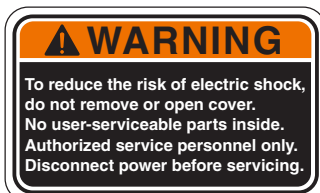
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## **CE REQUIREMENTS**

- This appliance must be installed in locations where it can be overseen by trained personnel.
- For proper operation, this appliance must be installed where the temperature is between 5°C to 35°C.
- Appliance shall not be tilted more than 10° for safe operation.
- An electrician must provide electrical service as specified in conformance with all local and national codes.
- This appliance must not be cleaned by water jet.
- This appliance can be used by persons aged from 18 years and above if they have been given supervision or instruction concerning use of the appliance in a safe way and if they understand the hazards involved.
- Keep the appliance and its cord out of reach of children aged less than 18 years.
- Appliances can be used by persons 18 years and above with reduced physical, sensory or mental capabilities or lack of experience and knowledge if they have been given supervision or instruction concerning use of the appliance in a safe way and understand the hazards involved.
- Children under the age of 18 years should be supervised to ensure they do not play with the appliance.
- If the power cord is ever damaged, it must be replaced by the manufacturer or authorized service personnel with a special cord available from the manufacturer or its authorized service personnel in order to avoid a hazard.
- Machine must not be immersed for cleaning.
- Cleaning and user maintenance shall not be made by children unless they are older than 18 years and supervised.
- This appliance is intended to be used in household and similar applications such as:
  - staff kitchen areas in shops, offices and other working environments;
  - by clients in hotels, motels and other residential type environments;
  - bed and breakfast type environments.
- This appliance not intended to be used in applications such as:
  - farm houses;
- Access to the service areas permitted by Authorized Service personnel only.
- The A-Weighted sound pressure level is below 70 dBA.

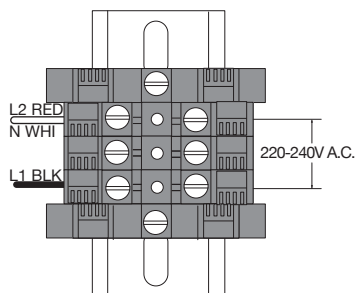
## **NORTH AMERICAN REQUIREMENTS**

- This appliance must be installed in locations where it can be overseen by trained personnel.
- For proper operation, this appliance must be installed where the temperature is between 41°F to 95°F (5°C to 35°C).
- Appliance shall not be tilted more than 10° for safe operation.
- An electrician must provide electrical service as specified in conformance with all local and national codes.
- This appliance must not be cleaned by pressure washer.
- This appliance can be used by persons aged from 18 years and above if they have been given supervision or instruction concerning use of the appliance in a safe way and if they understand the hazards involved.
- Keep the appliance and its cord out of reach of children aged less than 18 years.
- Appliances can be used by persons 18 years and above with reduced physical, sensory or mental capabilities or lack of experience and knowledge if they have been given supervision or instruction concerning use of the appliance in a safe way and understand the hazards involved.
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- Machine must not be immersed for cleaning.
- Cleaning and user maintenance shall not be made by children unless they are older than 18 years and supervised.
- This appliance is intended for commercial use in applications such as:
  - staff kitchen areas in shops, offices and other working environments;
  - by clients in hotel and motel lobbies and other similar types of environments;
- Access to the service areas permitted by Authorized Service personnel only.

## ELECTRICAL REQUIREMENTS

CAUTION - The brewer must be disconnected from the power source until specified in *Initial Set-Up*.

The 120V brewer has an attached cordset and requires 2-wire grounded service rated 120 volts ac, 15 amp, single phase, 60 Hz.



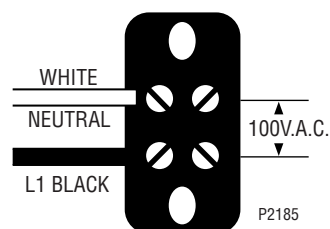
**"A"** models require 2-wire, grounded service rated 220 - 240 volts ac, 15 amp, single phase, 50/60 Hz. An all pole disconnect means must be incorporated in the fixed wiring according to local wiring regulations. Proceed as follows:

### Electrical Hook-Up (Model "B" Only)

**CAUTION** – Improper electrical installation will damage electronic components.

1. An electrician must provide electrical service as specified.
2. Using a voltmeter, check the voltage and color coding of each conductor at the electrical source.
3. Place the heater switch, located on the left front of the control panel on "B" Models, in the "OFF" (lower) position.
4. Remove the front panel beneath the sprayhead.
5. Feed the cord through the strain relief and connect it to the terminal block.
6. Connect the brewer to the power source and verify the voltage at the terminal block before proceeding. Replace the front panel.

**"B"** models require 2-wire, grounded service rated 100 volts ac, 20 amp, single phase, 50 Hz. Proceed as follows:



## INITIAL SET-UP

**CAUTION** - The brewer must be disconnected from the power source throughout the initial set-up, except when specified in the instructions.

1. Insert an empty funnel into the funnel rails.
2. Place an empty decanter under the funnel.
3. On "B" Models, place the heater switch of the brewer in the "OFF" (lower) position and connect the brewer to the power source.
4. Pour three pitchers of tap water into the screened area on top of the brewer. Allow approximately two minutes between pitchers for water to flow into the tank. While the third pitcher of water is entering the tank, the tank will fill to capacity and the excess will flow from the sprayhead, out of the funnel, and into the dispenser.
5. When the flow of water from the funnel stops, place the heater switch of the brewer in the "ON" (upper) position and wait approximately twenty minutes for the water in the tank to heat to the proper temperature. Some water will drip from the funnel during this time; this is due to expansion and should not occur thereafter.
6. Pour one pitcher of tap water into the screened area on top of the brewer.
7. After water has stopped flowing from the funnel, allow the water in the tank to reheat to the proper temperature.
8. Empty the decanter. The brewer is now ready for use in accordance with the coffee brewing instructions.

**NOTE:** The control thermostat will need to be adjusted downward to compensate for high altitudes. Refer to chart.

Brew water temperature is factory set at 200° F (93.3° C) Areas of high altitude will require lowering this temperature to prevent boiling. This chart should be used as a guide when readjusting the brew water temperature.

Altitude (Feet)	Boiling point of water		Recommended water temperature	
	° F	° C	° F	° C
-1000	213.8	101.0	200	93.3
-500	212.9	100.5	200	93.3
0	212.0	100.0	200	93.3
500	211.1	99.5	200	93.3
1000	210.2	99.0	200	93.3
1500	209.3	98.5	200	93.3
2000	208.4	98.0	200	93.3
2500	207.4	97.4	200	93.3
3000	206.5	96.9	199	92.8
3500	205.6	96.4	198	92.2
4000	204.7	95.9	197	91.7
4500	203.8	95.4	196	91.1
5000	202.9	94.9	195	90.6
5500	201.9	94.4	195	90.6
6000	201.0	93.9	194	90.0
6500	200.1	93.4	193	89.4
7000	199.2	92.9	192	88.9
7500	198.3	92.4	191	88.3
8000	197.4	91.9	190	87.8
8500	196.5	91.4	189	87.2
9000	195.5	90.8	188	86.7
9500	194.6	90.3	187	86.1
10000	193.7	89.8	186	85.6

## COFFEE BREWING

1. Insert a BUNN® filter into the funnel.
2. Pour the fresh coffee into the filter and level the bed of grounds by gently shaking.
3. Slide the funnel into the funnel rails.
4. Place an empty dispenser beneath the funnel.
5. Pour one pitcher of tap water into the screened area on top of the brewer.
6. When brewing is completed, simply discard the grounds and filter.

## CLEANING

1. The use of a damp cloth rinsed in any mild, non-abrasive, liquid detergent is recommended for cleaning all surfaces on Bunn-O-Matic equipment.
2. Check and clean the sprayhead. The sprayhead holes must always remain open.
3. With the sprayhead removed, insert the deliming spring (provided) all the way into the sprayhead tube. When inserted properly, no more than two inches of spring should be visible. Saw back and forth five or six times.

**NOTE** – In hard water areas, this may need to be done daily. It will help prevent liming problems in the brewer and takes less than a minute.

## TROUBLESHOOTING

A troubleshooting guide is provided to suggest probable causes and remedies for the most likely problems encountered. If the problem remains after exhausting the troubleshooting steps, contact the Bunn-O-Matic Technical Service Department.

- Inspection, testing, and repair of electrical equipment should be performed only by qualified service personnel.
- All electronic components have 120 volt ac and low voltage dc potential on their terminals. Shorting of terminals or the application of external voltages may result in board failure.
- Intermittent operation of electronic circuit boards is unlikely. Board failure will normally be permanent. If an intermittent condition is encountered, the cause will likely be a switch contact or a loose connection at a terminal or crimp.
- Solenoid removal requires interrupting the water supply to the valve. Damage may result if solenoids are energized for more than ten minutes without a supply of water.
- The use of two wrenches is recommended whenever plumbing fittings are tightened or loosened. This will help to avoid twists and kinks in the tubing.
- Make certain that all plumbing connections are sealed and electrical connections tight and isolated.
- This brewer is heated at all times. Keep away from combustibles.

- WARNING** –
- Exercise extreme caution when servicing electrical equipment.
  - Unplug the brewer when servicing, except when electrical tests are specified.
  - Follow recommended service procedures
  - Replace all protective shields or safety notices

PROBLEM	PROBABLE CAUSE	REMEDY
Brew cycle will not start	1. No water	Check fill basin for obstructions.
	2. No power or incorrect voltage to the brewer	Be sure the brewer is connected to the power source.  Check circuit breakers or fuses.
Water is not hot	1. Tank Heater Switch (VP17B and Early Model VP17)	Refer to <i>Service</i> - Tank Heater Switch for testing procedures.
	2. Limit Thermostat <b>CAUTION</b> - Do not eliminate or bypass limit thermostat. Use only replacement part #29329.1000	Refer to <i>Service</i> - Limit Thermostat for testing procedures.
	3. Control Thermostat	Refer to <i>Service</i> - Control Thermostat for testing procedures.

## TROUBLESHOOTING (cont.)

### PROBLEM

### PROBABLE CAUSE

### REMEDY

Water is not hot (cont.)

4. Tank Heater

Refer to *Service* - Tank Heater for testing procedures.

Inconsistent beverage level in dispenser

1. Syphon System

The brewer must be level or slightly lower in front to syphon properly.

2. Lime Build-up

**CAUTION** - Tank and tank components should be delimed regularly depending on local water conditions. Excessive mineral build-up on stainless steel surfaces can initiate corrosive reactions resulting in serious leaks.

Inspect the tank assembly for excessive lime deposits. Delime as required.

Spitting or excessive steaming

1. Lime Build-up

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Inspect tank assembly for excessive lime deposits. Delime as required.

2. Control Thermostat

Refer to *Service*-Control Thermostat for testing procedures.

Dripping from sprayhead

1. Syphon System

The brewer must be level or slightly lower in front to syphon properly.

2. Lime Build-up

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Inspect the tank assembly for excessive lime deposits. Delime as required.



## TROUBLESHOOTING (cont.)

PROBLEM	PROBABLE CAUSE	REMEDY
Beverage overflows dispenser	1. Dispenser	The dispenser must be completely empty before starting a brew cycle.
Weak beverage	1. Filter Type	BUNN® paper filters must be used for proper extraction.
	2. Coffee Grind	A fine or drip grind must be used for proper extraction.
	3. Sprayhead	A six-hole stainless steel sprayhead must be used for proper extraction.
	4. Funnel Loading	The BUNN® paper filter must be centered in the funnel and the bed of ground leveled by gentle shaking.
	5. Water Temperature	Place an empty funnel on an empty dispenser beneath the sprayhead. Initiate a brew cycle and check the water temperature immediately below the sprayhead with a thermometer. The reading should not be less than 195°F (91°C). Adjust the control thermostat to increase the water temperature. Replace if necessary.
Dry coffee grounds remain in the funnel	1. Funnel Loading	The BUNN® paper filter must be centered in the funnel and the bed of grounds leveled by gently shaking.
Brewer is making unusual noises	1. Tank Heater	Remove and clean lime off the tank heater.
Cool beverage serving temperature	1. ON/OFF Warmer Switch(s)	Refer to <i>Service</i> - ON/OFF Warmer Switch for testing procedures.
	2. Warmer Element(s)	Refer to <i>Service</i> - Warmer Element for testing procedures.