Checked items before maintenance

General phenomenon analysis

Please check below items before asking for maintenance. If the malfunction still can't be eliminated, please contact local dealer or qualified professionals.

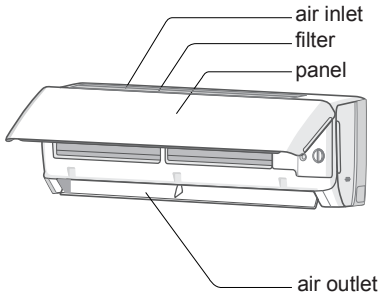
Phenomenon	Check items	Solution
Indoor unit can't receive remote controller's signal or remote controller has no action.	Whether it's interfered severely (such as static electricity, stable voltage?)	Pull out the plug. Reinsert the plug after about 3min, and then turn on the unit again.
	Whether remote controller is within the signal receiving range?	Signal receiving range is 8m.
	Whether there are obstacles?	Remove obstacles.
	Whether remote controller is pointing at the receiving window?	Select proper angle and point the remote controller at the receiving window on indoor unit.
	Is sensitivity of remote controller low; fuzzy display or no display?	Check the batteries. If the power of batteries is too low, please replace them.
	No display when operating remote controller?	Check whether remote controller appears to be damaged. If yes, replace it.
	Fluorescent lamp in room?	Take the remote controller close to indoor unit. Turn off the fluorescent lamp and then try it again.
No air emitted from indoor unit	Air inlet or air outlet of indoor unit is blocked?	Eliminate obstacles.
	Under heating mode, indoor temperature is reached to set temperature?	After reaching to set temperature, indoor unit will stop blowing out air.
	Heating mode is turned on just now?	In order to prevent blowing out cold air, indoor unit will be started after delaying for several minutes, which is a normal phenomenon.
Air conditioner can't operate	Power failure?	Wait until power recovery.
	Is plug loose?	Reinsert the plug.
	Air switch trips off or fuse is burnt out?	Ask professional to replace air switch or fuse.
	Wiring has malfunction?	Ask professional to replace it.
	Unit has restarted immediately after stopping operation?	Wait for 3min, and then turn on the unit again.
	Whether the function setting for remote controller is correct?	Reset the function.
Mist is emitted from indoor unit's air outlet	Indoor temperature and humidity is high?	Because indoor air is cooled rapidly. After a while, indoor temperature and humidity will be decrease and mist will disappear.
Odours are emitted	Whether there's odour source, such as furniture and cigarette, etc.	Eliminate the odour source. Clean the filter.
Set temperature can't be adjusted	Your required temperature exceeds the set temperature range?	Set temperature range: 16℃~30℃.
Cooling (heating) effect is not good.	Voltage is too low?	Wait until the voltage resumes normal.
	Filter is dirty?	Clean the filter.
	Set temperature is in proper range?	Adjust temperature to proper range.
	Door and window are open?	Close door and window.
Air conditioner operates abnormally	Whether there's interference, such as thunder, wireless devices, etc.	Disconnect power, put back power, and then turn on the unit again.
"Water flowing" noise	Air conditioner is turned on or turned off just now?	The noise is the sound of refrigerant flowing inside the unit, which is a normal phenomenon.
Cracking noise	Air conditioner is turned on or turned off just now?	This is the sound of friction caused by expansion and or contraction of panel or other parts due to the change of temperature.

⚠ WARNING

- When below phenomenon occurs,please turn off air conditioner and disconnect power immediately, and then contact the dealer or qualified professionals for service.
  - Power cord is overheating or damaged.
  - There's abnormal sound during operation.
  - Air switch trips off frequently.
  - Air conditioner gives off burning smell.
  - Indoor unit is leaking.
- Do not repair or refit the air conditioner by yourself.
- If the air conditioner operates under abnormal conditions, it may cause malfunction, electric shock or fire hazard.

Parts name

Indoor Unit



Display

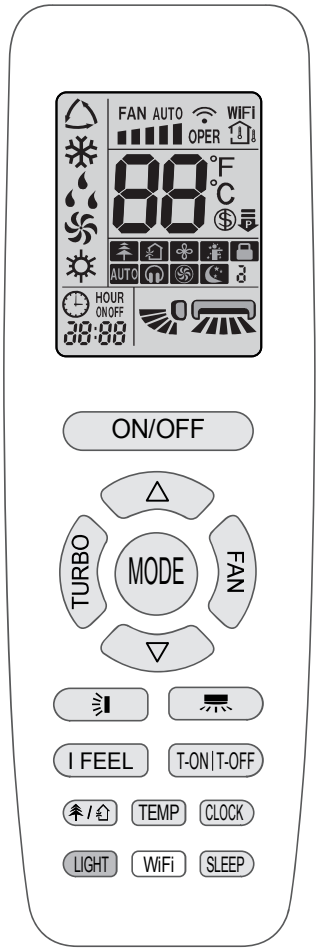
Temp. indicator	26
Power indicator	⏻

NOTE

- This is the general introduction and the color of indicator is only for reference. Please refer to the actual display.
- Display content may be different from the actual. Please refer to the actual display.

Operation and introduction of remote controller

Buttons on remote controller



Introduction for icons on display screen

		I feel
FAN AUTO		Set fan speed
		Turbo mode
		Send signal
Operation mode		Auto mode
		Cool mode
		Dry mode
		Fan mode
		Heat mode
		Sleep mode
		8℃ heating function
		Power limiting operation
		Health mode
		Scavenging function
		X-FAN function
Temp. display type		Set temp.
		Indoor ambient temp.
		Outdoor ambient temp.
		Clock
88		Set temperature
WIFI		WiFi function
88:88		Set time
ONOFF		TIMER ON / TIMER OFF
		Left & right swing
		Up & down swing
		Child lock
		Quiet

Introduction for buttons on remote controller

NOTE

- This is a general use remote controller. It could be used for the air conditioner with multifunction. For the functions which the model doesn't have, if press the corresponding button on the remote controller, the unit will keep the original running status.
- After putting through the power, the air conditioner will give out a sound. Power indicator "⏻" is ON. After that, you can operate the air conditioner by using remote controller.
- Under on status, pressing the button on the remote controller, the signal icon " " on the display of remote controller will blink once and the air conditioner will give out a " di " sound, which means the signa has been sent to the air conditioner.
- As for the models with functions of WiFi or wired controller, the indoor unit must has been controlled by standard remote controller under auto mode first, and then the function of adjustable temperature under auto mode can be realized by APP or the wired controller.
- This remote controller can adjust the temperature under auto mode. When matching with the unit which is without the function of adjustable temperature under auto mode, the set temperature under auto mode may be invalid, or the displayed set temperature on the unit is not same as that on the remote controller under auto mode.

ON/OFF

Press this button to turn on the unit. Press this button again to turn off the unit.

MODE

Press this button to select your required operation mode.

AUTO COOL DRY FAN HEAT

- When selecting auto mode, air conditioner will operate automatically according to ex-factory setting. Press "FAN" button can adjust fan speed. Press " " / " " button can adjust fan blowing angle.
- After selecting cool mode, air conditioner will operate under cool mode. Press "△" or "▽" button to adjust set temperature. Press "FAN" button to adjust fan speed. Press " " / " " button to adjust fan blowing angle.
- When selecting dry mode, the air conditioner operates at low speed under dry mode. Under dry mode, fan speed can' t be adjusted. Press " " / " " button to adjust fan blowing angle.
- When selecting fan mode, the air conditioner will only blow fan, no cooling and no heating. All indicators are OFF. Press "FAN" button to adjust fan speed. Press " " / " " button to adjust fan blowing angle.
- When selecting heating mode, the air conditioner operates under heat mode. Press "△" or "▽" button to adjust set temperature. Press "FAN" button to adjust fan speed. Press " " / " " button to adjust fan blowing angle. (Cooling only unit won't receive heating mode signal. If setting heat mode with remote controller, press ON/OFF button can't start up the unit).

NOTE

- For preventing cold air, after starting up heating mode, indoor unit will delay 1~5 minutes to blow air (actual delay time is depend on indoor ambient temperature).
- Set temperature range from remote controller: 16~30℃ (61-86°F);
- Under auto mode, temperature can be displayed; Under auto mode, set temperature can be adjusted.
- This mode indicator is not available for some models.

FAN

This button is used for setting Fan Speed in the sequence that goes from AUTO, , , , , , to , then back to Auto.

NOTE

- Under AUTO speed, air conditioner will select proper fan speed automatically according to factory default setting.
- It's low fan speed under dry mode.
- X-FAN function: Holding fan speed button for 2s in cool or dry mode, the icon " " is displayed and the indoor fan will continue operation for a few minutes in order to dry the indoor unit even though you have turned off the unit. After energization, X-FAN OFF is defaulted. X-FAN is not available in auto, fan or heat mode.
  This function indicates that moisture on evaporator of indoor unit will be blowed after the unit is stopped to avoid mould.
- Having set X-FAN function on: After turning off the unit by pressing ON/OFF button, indoor fan will continue running for a few minutes at low speed. In this period, hold fan speed button for 2s to stop indoor fan directly.
  Having set X-FAN function off: After turning off the unit by pressing ON/OFF button, the complete unit will be off directly.

TURBO

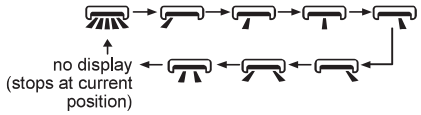
Under COOL or HEAT mode, press this button to

turn to quick COOL or quick HEAT mode. " " icon is displayed on remote controller. Press this button again to exit turbo function and " " icon will disappear. If start this function, the unit will run at super-high fan speed to cool or heat quickly so that the ambient temperature approaches the preset temperature as soon as possible.

△ / ▽

- Press "△" or "▽ " button once increase or decrease set temperature 1 ℃(°F). Holding "△" or "▽" button, 2s later, set temperature on remote controller will change quickly. On releasing button after setting is finished, temperature indicator on indoor unit will change accordingly.
- When setting T-ON, T-OFF or CLOCK, press "△" or "▽" button to adjust time. (Refer to CLOCK, T-ON, T-OFF buttons)

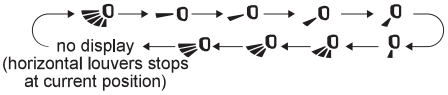
Press this button can select left & right swing angle. Fan blow angle can be selected circularly as below:



NOTE

- Press this button continuously more than 2s, the main unit will swing back and forth from left to right, and then loosen the button, the unit will stop swinging and present position of guide louver will be kept immediately.
- Under left and right swing mode, when the status is switched from off to , if press this button again 2s later, status will switch to off status directly; if press this button again within 2s, the change of swing status will also depend on the circulation sequence stated above.
- The function is only available for some models.

Press this button can select up & down swing angle. Fan blow angle can be selected circularly as below:



- When selecting " ", air conditioner is blowing fan automatically. Horizontal louver will automatically swing up & down at maximum angle.
- When selecting " ", air conditioner is blowing fan at fixed position. Horizontal louver will stop at the fixed position.
- When selecting " ", air conditioner is blowing fan at fixed angle. Horizontal louver will send air at the fixed angle.
- Hold " "button above 2s to set your required swing angle. When reaching your required angle, release the button.

NOTE

- " " may not be available. When air conditioner receives this signal, the air conditioner will blow fan automatically.
- Press this button continuously for more than 2s, the main unit will swing back and forth from up to down, and then loosen the button, the unit present position of guide louver will be kept immediately.
- Under up and down swing mode, when the status is switched from off to , if press this button again 2s later, status will switch to off status directly; if press this button again within 2s, the change of swing status will also depend on the circulation sequence stated above.

T-ON | T-OFF

- T-ON button
  "T-ON" button can set the time for timer on. After pressing this button, " " icon disappears and the word "ON" on remote controller blinks. Press "△" or "▽" button to adjust T-ON setting. After each pressing "△" or "▽" button, T-ON setting will increase or decrease 1min. Hold "△" or "▽ " button, 2s later, the time will change quickly until reaching your required time. Press "T-ON" to confirm it. The word "ON" will stop blinking. " " icon resumes displaying. Cancel T-ON: Under the condition that T-ON is started up, press "T-ON" button to cancel it.
- T-OFF button
  "T-OFF" button can set the time for timer off. After pressing this button, " " icon disappears and the word "OFF" on remote controller blinks. Press "△" or "▽ " button to adjust T-OFF setting. After each pressing "△" or " ▽" button, T-OFF setting will increase or decrease 1min. Hold "△" or "▽" button, 2s later, the time will change quickly until reaching your required time. Press "T-OFF" word "OFF" will stop blinking. " " icon resumes displaying. Cancel T-OFF. Under the condition that T-OFF is started up, press "T-OFF" button to cancel it.

NOTE

- Under on and off status, you can set T-OFF or T-ON simultaneously.
- Before setting T-ON or T-OFF, please adjust the clock time.
- After starting up T-ON or T-OFF,set the constant circulating valid. After that, air conditioner will be turned on or turned off according to setting time. ON/OFF button has no effect on setting. If you don' t need this function, please use remote controller to cancel it.
- When the timer function is started up and the remote controller is not used for a long time, the air conditioner can be turned on or turned off by the timer function. You are suggested to put the remote controller at the position where the indoor unit can receive the remote signal, which can lead to more accurate timer.

I FEEL

Press this button to start I FEEL function and " " will be displayed on the remote controller. After this function is set, the remote controller will send the detected ambient temperature to the controller and the unit will automatically adjust the indoor temperature according to the detected temperature. Press this button again to cancel I FEEL function and " " will disappear.

- Please put the remote controller near user when this function is set. Do not put the remote controller near the object of high temperature or low temperature in order to avoid detecting inaccurate ambient temperature.When I FEEL function is turned on, the remote controller should be put within the area where indoor unit can receive the signal sent by the remote controller.

CLOCK

Press this button to set clock time. " " icon on remote controller will blink. Press "△" or "▽" button within 5s to set clock time. Each pressing of "△" or "▽" button, clock time will increase or decrease 1 min. If hold "△" or "▽" button , 2s later, time will change quickly. Release this button when reaching your required time. Press "CLOCK" button to confirm the time. " " icon stops blinking.

NOTE

- Clock time adopts 24-hour mode.
- The interval between two operations can't exceed 5s. Otherwise, remote controller will quit setting status. Operation for TIMER ON/TIMER OFF is the same.

SLEEP

- Press this button, can select Sleep 1 (1), Sleep 2 (2), Sleep 3 (3) and cancel the Sleep, circulate between these, after electrified, Sleep Cancel is defaulted.
- Sleep 1 is Sleep mode 1, in Cool modes; sleep status after run for one hour, the main unit setting temperature will increase 1 , two hours, setting temperature increased 2℃, then the unit will run at this setting temperature; In Heat mode: sleep status after run for one hour, the setting temperature will decrease 1 , two hours, setting temperature will decrease 2 , then the unit will run at this setting temperature.
- Sleep 2 is sleep mode 2, that is air conditioner will run according to the presetting a group of sleep temperature curve.
- Sleep 3-the sleep curve setting under Sleep mode by DIY;

(1) Under Sleep 3 mode, press “TURBO” button for a long time, remote controller enters into user individuation sleep setting status, at this time, the time of remote controller will display “1hour”, the setting temperature “88” will display the corresponding temperature of last setting sleep curve and blink (The first entering will display according to the initial curve setting value of original factory);

(2) Adjust “△” and “▽” button, could change the corresponding setting temperature, after adjusted, press “TURBO” button for confirmation;

(3) At this time, 1hour will be automatically increased at the timer position on the remote control, (that are "2hours" or "3hours" or "8hours"), the place of setting temperature "88" will display the corresponding temperature of last setting sleep curve and blink;

(4) Repeat the above step (2)~(3) operation, until 8 hours temperature setting finished, sleep,curve setting finished, at this time, the remote controller will resume the original timer display; temperature display will resume to original setting temperature.

- Sleep3- the sleep curve setting under Sleep mode by DIY could be inquired:

The user could accord to sleep curve setting method to inquire the presetting sleep curve, enter into user individuation sleep setting status, but do not change the temperature, press "TURBO" button directly for confirmation. Note: In the above presetting or enquiry procedure, if continuously within 10s, there is no button pressed, the sleep curve setting within 10s, there is no button pressed, the sleep curve setting status will be automatically quit and resume to display the original displaying. In the presetting or enquiry procedure, press "ON/OFF" button, "MODE" button, "SLEEP" button, the sleep curve setting or enquiry status will quit similarly.

WiFi

Press "Wifi" button to turn on WiFi function, "Wifi" icon will be displayed on the remote controller; Hold "Wifi" button for 5s to turn off WiFi function and "Wifi" icon will disappear.(This function is only available for some models.)

Under off status, press "Mode" and "Wifi" buttons simultaneously for 1s, WiFi module will restore factory settings.

NOTE

- The function is only available for some models.

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Press this button to turn on or turn off the health and scavenging functions in operation status. Press this button for the first time to start scavenging function; LCD displays " ". Press the button for the second time to start health and scavenging functions; LCD displays " " and " ". Press this button for the third time to quit health and scavenging functions simultaneously. Press the button for the fourth time to start health function; LCD display " ". Press this button again to repeat the operation above.

NOTE

- The function is only available for some models.

LIGHT

Press this button to turn on or turn off the display light on the indoor unit.

The display light is defaulted on after energization.

TEMP

Press this button, you can see indoor set temperature, indoor ambient temperature on indoor unit' s display. The setting on remote controller is selected circularly as below:

Function introduction for combination buttons

Energy-saving function

Under cooling mode, press "TEMP" and "CLOCK" buttons simultaneously to start up or turn off energy-saving function. When energy-saving function is started up, "SE" will be shown on remote controller, and air conditioner will adjust the set temperature automatically according to ex-factory setting to reach to the best energy-saving effect. Press "TEMP" and "CLOCK" buttons simultaneously again to exit energy-saving function.

NOTE

- Under energy-saving function, fan speed is defaulted at auto speed and it can't be adjusted.
- Under energy-saving function, set temperature can 't be adjusted. Press "TURBO" button and the remote controller won't send signal.
- Sleep function and energy-saving function can 't operate at the same time. If energy-saving function has been set under cool mode, press "SLEEP" button will cancel energy-saving function. If sleep function has been set under cool mode, start up the energy-saving function will cancel sleep function.

8℃ heating function

Under heat mode, press "TEMP" and "CLOCK" buttons simultaneously to start up or turn off 8℃ heating function. When this function is started up, " " and "8℃" will be shown on remote controller, and the air conditioner keep the heating status at 8℃. Press "TEMP" and "CLOCK" buttons simultaneously again to exit 8℃ heating function.

NOTE

- Under 8℃ heating function, fan speed is defaulted at auto speed and it can't be adjusted.
- Under 8℃ heating function, set temperature can 't be adjusted. Press "TURBO" button and the remote controller won't send signal.
- Sleep function and 8℃ heating function can't operate at the same time. If 8℃ heating function has been set under heat mode, press "SLEEP" button will cancel 8℃ heating function. If sleep function has been set under heat mode, start up the 8℃ heating function will cancel sleep function.
- Under ℉ temperature display, the remote controller will display 46℉ heating.

Child lock function

Press "△" and "▽" simultaneously to turn on or turn off child lock function. When child lock function is on, " " icon is displayed on remote controller. If you operate the remote controller, the " " icon will blink three times without sending signal to the unit.

Temperature display switchover function

Under OFF status, press "▽" and "MODE" buttons simultaneously to switch temperature display between ℃ and ℉.

Auto clean function

Under unit off status, hold "MODE" and "FAN" buttons simultaneously for 5s to turn on or turn off the auto clean function. When the auto clean function is turned on, indoor unit displays "CL" . During the auto clean process of evaporator, the unit will perform fast cooling or fast heating. There may be some noise, which is the sound of flowing liquid or thermal expansion or cold shrinkage. The air conditioner may blow cool or warm air, which is a normal phenomenon. During cleaning process, please make sure the room is well ventilated to avoid affecting the comfort.

NOTE

- The auto clean function can only work under normal ambient temperature. If the room is dusty, clean it once a month; if not, clean it once every three months. After the auto clean function is turned on, you can leave the room. When auto clean is finished, the air conditioner will enter standby status.
- This function is only available for some models.

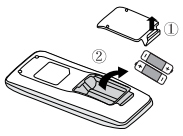
Night mode

Under cooling or heating mode, when turning on sleep mode and turn to low speed or quiet notch, the outdoor unit would enter into night mode.

NOTE

- When you feel that the cooling and heating effect is poor, please press "FAN" button to other fan speed or press "SLEEP" button to exit the night mode.
- The night mode can only work under normal ambient temperature.
- This function is only available for some models.

Replacement of batteries in remote controller



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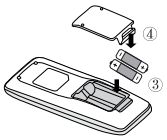


Fig.2

1. Lift the cover along the direction of arrow (as shown in Fig 1①).
2. Take out the original batteries (as shown in Fig 1②).
3. Place two 7# (AAA 1.5V) dry batteries, and make sure the position of " + " polar and " - " polar is correct (as shown in Fig 2③).
4. Reinstall the cover (as shown in Fig 2④).

NOTICE

- During operation, point the remote control signal sender at the receiving window on indoor unit.
- The distance between signal sender and receiving window should be no more than 8m, and there should be no obstacles between them.
- Signal may be interfered easily in the room where there is fluorescent lamp or wireless telephone; remote controller should be close to indoor unit during operation.
- Replace new batteries of the same model when replacement is required.
- When you don't use remote controller for a long time, please take out the batteries.
- If the display on remote controller is fuzzy or there 's no display, please replace batteries.

Test and operation

Check after installation

- Check according to the following requirement after finishing installation.

Items to be checked	Possible malfunction
Has the unit been installed firmly?	The unit may drop, shake or emit noise.
Have you done the refrigerant leakage test?	It may cause insufficient cooling(heating) capacity.
Is heat insulation of pipeline sufficient?	It may cause condensation and water dripping.
Is water drained well?	It may cause condensation and water dripping.
Is the voltage of power supply according to the voltage marked on the nameplate?	It may cause malfunction or damage the parts.
Is electric wiring and pipeline installed correctly?	It may cause malfunction or damage the parts.
Is the unit grounded securely?	It may cause electric leakage.
Does the power cord follow the specification?	It may cause malfunction or damage the parts.
Is there any obstruction in the air inlet and outlet?	It may cause insufficient cooling(heating) capacity.
The dust and sundries caused during installation are removed?	It may cause malfunction or damage the parts.
The gas valve and liquid valve of connection pipe are open completely?	It may cause insufficient cooling (heating) capacity.
Is the inlet and outlet of piping hole been covered?	It may cause insufficient cooling (heating) capacity or waste electricity.

Test operation

1. Preparation of test operation

- The client approves the air conditioner.
- Specify the important notes for air conditioner to the client.

2. Method of test operation

- Put through the power, press ON/OFF button on the remote controller to start operation.
- Press MODE button to select AUTO, COOL, DRY, FAN and HEAT to check whether the operation is normal or not.
- If the ambient temperature is lower than 16℃, the air conditioner can't start cooling.

Configuration of connection pipe

1. Standard length of connection pipe: 5m, 7.5m, 8m.
2. Min. length of connection pipe.
   For the unit with standard connection pipe of 5m, there is no limitation for the min length of connection pipe. For the unit with standard connection pipe of 7.5m and 8m, the min length of connection pipe is 3m.
3. Max. length of connection pipe is shown as below.

Max. length of connection pipe

Cooling capacity	Max. length of connection pipe(m)
5000Btu/h (1465W)	15
7000Btu/h (2051W)	15
9000Btu/h (2637W)	15
12000Btu/h (3516W)	20
18000Btu/h (5274W)	25
24000Btu/h (7032W)	25
28000Btu/h (8204W)	30
36000Btu/h (10548W)	30
42000Btu/h (12306W)	30
48000Btu/h (14064W)	30

4. The calculation method of additional refrigerant oil and refrigerant charging amount after prolonging connection pipe.
   After the length of connection pipe is prolonged for 10m at the basis of standard length, you should add 5ml of refrigerant oil for each additional 5m of connection pipe.
   The calculation method of additional refrigerant charging amount (on the basis of liquid pipe):
   (1) Additional refrigerant charging amount= prolonged length of liquid pipe × additional refrigerant charging amount per meter
   (2) Basing on the length of standard pipe, add refrigerant according to the requirement as shown in the table. The additional refrigerant charging amount per meter is different according to the diameter of liquid pipe.
   See Sheet .

Additional refrigerant charging amount for R32

Outdoor unit throttle	cooling and heating (g / m)	16	40	96	96	200	280
	Cooling only (g / m)	12	12	24	48	200	280
Indoor unit throttle	Cooling only, cooling and heating (g / m)	16	40	80	136	200	280
Piping size	Gas pipe	3/8" or 1/2"	5/8" or 3/4"	3/4" or 7/8"	1" or 1 1/4"	-	-
	Liquid pipe	1/4"	1/4" or 3/8"	1/2"	5/8"	3/4"	7/8"

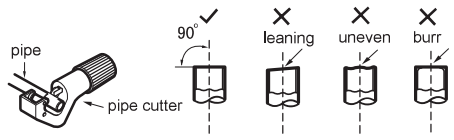
NOTICE
The additional refrigerant charging amount in Sheet is recommended value, not compulsory.

Pipe expanding method

NOTICE
Improper pipe expanding is the main cause of refrigerant leakage. Please expand the pipe according to the following steps:

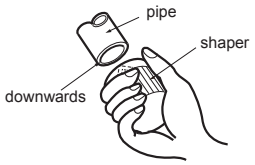
A: Cut the pipe

- Confirm the pipe length according to the distance of indoor unit and outdoor unit.
- Cut the required pipe with pipe cutter.



B: Remove the burrs

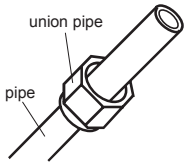
- Remove the burrs with shaper and prevent the burrs from getting into the pipe.



C: Put on suitable insulating pipe

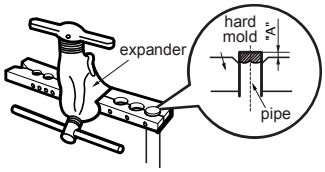
D: Put on the union nut

- Remove the union nut on the indoor connection pipe and outdoor valve; install the union union nut on the pipe.



E: Expand the port

- Expand the port with expander.



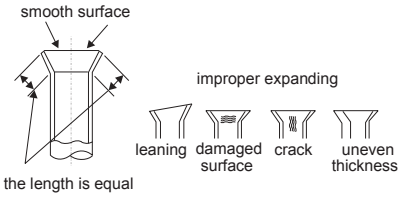
NOTICE

- "A" is different according to the diameter, please refer to the sheet below:

Outer diameter (mm)	A(mm)	
	Max	Min
Φ6 - 6.35(1/4")	1.3	0.7
Φ9 - 9.52(3/8")	1.6	1.0
Φ12-12.7(1/2")	1.8	1.0
Φ15.8-16(5/8")	2.4	2.2

F: Inspection

- Check the quality of expanding port. If there is any blemish, expand the port again according to the steps above.



Working temperature range

	Indoor side DB/WB(°C)	Outdoor side DB/WB(°C)
Maximum cooling	32/23	52/26
Maximum heating	27/-	24/18

NOTE

- The operating temperature range (outdoor temperature) for Low-temperature cooling only unit is -15°C ~52°C ; for heat pump unit is -15°C~52°C.

- The following checks shall be applied to installations using flammable refrigerants:
  – the charge size is in accordance with the room size within which the refrigerant containing parts are installed;
  – the ventilation machinery and outlets are operating adequately and are not obstructed;
  – if an indirect refrigerating circuit is being used, the secondary circuit shall be checked for the presence of refrigerant;
  – marking to the equipment continues to be visible and legible. Markings and signs that are illegible shall be corrected;
  – refrigerating pipe or components are installed in a position where they are unlikely to be exposed to any substance which may corrode refrigerant containing components, unless the components are constructed of materials which are inherently resistant to being corroded or are suitably protected against being so corroded.
- Repair and maintenance to electrical components shall include initial safety checks and component inspection procedures. If a fault exists that could compromise safety, then no electrical supply shall be connected to the circuit until it is satisfactorily dealt with. If the fault cannot be corrected immediately but it is necessary to continue operation, an adequate temporary solution shall be used. This shall be reported to the owner of the equipment so all parties are advised.
- Initial safety checks shall include:
  – that capacitors are discharged: this shall be done in a safe manner to avoid possibility of sparking;
  – that no live electrical components and wiring are exposed while charging, recovering or purging the system;
  – that there is continuity of earth bonding.
- Checks to the area
  Prior to beginning work on systems containing flammable refrigerants, safety checks are necessary to ensure that the risk of ignition is minimised. For repair to the refrigerating system, DD.4.3 to DD.4.7 shall be completed prior to conducting work on the system.
- Work procedure
  Work shall be undertaken under a controlled procedure so as to minimise the risk of a flammable gas or vapour being present while the work is being performed.
- General work area
  All maintenance staff and others working in the local area shall be instructed on the nature of work being carried out. Work in confined spaces shall be avoided.
- Checking for presence of refrigerant
  The area shall be checked with an appropriate refrigerant detector prior to and during work, to ensure the technician is aware of potentially toxic or flammable atmospheres. Ensure that the leak detection equipment being used is suitable for use with all applicable refrigerants, i.e. non-sparking, adequately sealed or intrinsically safe.
- Presence of fire extinguisher
  If any hot work is to be conducted on the refrigerating equipment or any associated parts, appropriate fire extinguishing equipment shall be available to hand. Have a dry powder or CO_2 fire extinguisher adjacent to the charging area.
- Ventilated area
  Ensure that the area is in the open or that it is adequately ventilated before breaking into the system or conducting any hot work. A degree of ventilation shall continue during the period that the work is carried out. The ventilation should safely disperse any released refrigerant and preferably expel it externally into the atmosphere.
- Checks to the refrigerating equipment
  Where electrical components are being changed, they shall be fit for the purpose and to the correct specification. At all times the manufacturer's maintenance and service guidelines shall be followed. If in doubt,consult the manufacturer's technical department for assistance.
  The following checks shall be applied to installations using flammable refrigerants:
  - the actual refrigerant charge is in accordance with the room size within which the refrigerant containing parts are installed;
  - the ventilation machinery and outlets are operating adequately and are not obstructed;
  - if an indirect refrigerating circuit is being used,the secondary circuit shall be checked for the presence of refrigerant;
  - marking to the equipment continues to be visible and legible. Markings and signs that are illegible shall be corrected;
  - refrigerating pipe or components are installed in a position where they are unlikely to be exposed to any substance which may corrode refrigerant containing components, unless the components

are constructed of materials which are inherently resistant to being corroded or are suitably protected against being so corroded.

- Checks to electrical devices

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Initial safety checks shall include:

- that capacitors are discharged: this shall be done in a safe manner to avoid possibility of sparking;
- that no live electrical components and wiring are exposed while charging, recovering or purging the system;
- that there is continuity of earth bonding.

- No ignition sources

No person carrying out work in relation to a refrigerating system which involves exposing any pipe work shall use any sources of ignition in such a manner that it may lead to the risk of fire or explosion. All possible ignition sources, including cigarette smoking, should be kept sufficiently far away from the site of installation, repairing, removing and disposal, during which refrigerant can possibly be released to the surrounding space.

Prior to work taking place, the area around the equipment is to be surveyed to make sure that there are no flammable hazards or ignition risks. "No Smoking" signs shall be displayed.

- Repairs to sealed components

During repairs to sealed components, all electrical supplies shall be disconnected from the equipment being worked upon prior to any removal of sealed covers, etc. If it is absolutely necessary to have an electrical supply to equipment during servicing, then a permanently operating form of leak detection shall be located at the most critical point to warn of a potentially hazardous situation.

Particular attention shall be paid to the following to ensure that by working on electrical components, the casing is not altered in such a way that the level of protection is affected. This shall include damage to cables, excessive number of connections, terminals not made to original specification, damage to seals, incorrect fitting of glands, etc.

– Ensure that the apparatus is mounted securely.

– Ensure that seals or sealing materials have not degraded to the point that they no longer serve the purpose of preventing the ingress of flammable atmospheres. Replacement parts shall be in accordance with the manufacturer's specifications.

NOTE:The use of silicon sealant can inhibit the effectiveness of some types of leak detection equipment. Intrinsically safe components do not have to be isolated prior to working on them.

- Repair to intrinsically safe components

Do not apply any permanent inductive or capacitance loads to the circuit without ensuring that this will not exceed the permissible voltage and current permitted for the equipment in use.

Intrinsically safe components are the only types that can be worked on while live in the presence of a flammable atmosphere. The test apparatus shall be at the correct rating.

Replace components only with parts specified by the manufacturer. Other parts may result in the ignition of refrigerant in the atmosphere from a leak.

- Cabling

Check that cabling will not be subject to wear, corrosion, excessive pressure, vibration, sharp edges or any other adverse environmental effects. The check shall also take into account the effects of aging or continual vibration from sources such as compressors or fans.

- Leak detection methods

Leak detection fluids are suitable for use with most refrigerants but the use of detergents containing chlorine shall be avoided as the chlorine may react with the refrigerant and corrode the copper pipe-work.

- Detection of flammable refrigerants

Under no circumstances shall potential sources of ignition be used in the searching for or detection of refrigerant leaks. A halide torch (or any other detector using a naked flame) shall not be used.

The following leak detection methods are deemed acceptable for all refrigerant systems.

Electronic leak detectors may be used to detect refrigerant leaks but, in the case of flammable refrigerants, the sensitivity may not be adequate, or may need re-calibration. (Detection equipment shall be calibrated in a refrigerant-free area.) Ensure that the detector is not a potential source of ignition and is suitable for the refrigerant used. Leak detection equipment shall be set at a percentage of the ***LFL*** of the

refrigerant and shall be calibrated to the refrigerant employed, and the appropriate percentage of gas (25% maximum) is confirmed.
Leak detection fluids are also suitable for use with most refrigerants but the use of detergents containing chlorine shall be avoided as the chlorine may react with the refrigerant and corrode the copper pipe-work.
NOTE: Examples of leak detection fluids are
- bubble method,
- fluorescent method agents.
If a leak is suspected, all naked flames shall be removed/extinguished.
If a leakage of refrigerant is found which requires brazing, all of the refrigerant shall be recovered from the system, or isolated (by means of shut off valves) in a part of the system remote from the leak. Removal of refrigerant shall be according to clause DD.9.

- Removal and evacuation

When breaking into the refrigerant circuit to make repairs - or for any other purpose - conventional procedures shall be used. However, for flammable refrigerants it is important that best practice is followed since flammability is a consideration. The following procedure shall be adhered to:
- remove refrigerant;
- purge the circuit with inert gas (optional for A2L);
- evacuate (optional for A2L);
- purge with inert gas (optional for A2L);
- open the circuit by cutting or brazing.

The refrigerant charge shall be recovered into the correct tecovery cylinders. For appliances containing flammable refrigerants other than A2L refrigerants, the system shall be purged with oxygen-free nitrogen to render the appliance safe for flammable refrigerants. This process may need to be repeated several times. Compressed air or oxygen shall not be used for purging refrigerant systems.
For appliances containing flammable refrigerants, other than A2L refrigerants, refrigerants purging shall be achieved by breaking the vacuum in the system with oxygen-free nitrogen and continuing to fill until the working pressure is achieved, then venting to atmosphere, and finally pulling down to a vacuum. This process shall be repeated until no refrigerant is within the system. When the final oxygen-free nitrogen charge is used, the system shall be vented down to atmospheric pressure to enable work to take place. This operation is absolutely vital if brazing operations on the pipe-work are to take place.
Ensure that the outlet for the vacuum pump is not close to any potential ignition sources and that ventilation is available.

- Charging procedures

In addition to conventional charging procedures, the following requirements shall be followed.
- Ensure that contamination of different refrigerants does not occur when using charging equipment. Hoses or lines shall be as short as possible to minimise the amount of refrigerant contained in them.
- Cylinders shall be kept in an appropriate position according to the instructions.
- Ensure that the refrigerating system is earthed prior to charging the system with refrigerant.
- Label the system when charging is complete (if not already).
- Extreme care shall be taken not to overfill the refrigerating system.

Prior to recharging the system, it shall be pressure-tested with the appropriate purging gas. The system shall be leak-tested on completion of charging but prior to commissioning. A follow up leak test shall be carried out prior to leaving the site.

- Decommissioning

Before carrying out this procedure, it is essential that the technician is completely familiar with the equipment and all its detail. It is recommended good practice that all refrigerants are recovered safely. Prior to the task being carried out, an oil and refrigerant sample shall be taken in case analysis is required prior to re-use of recovered refrigerant. It is essential that electrical power is available before the task is commenced.
a) Become familiar with the equipment and its operation.
b) Isolate system electrically.
c) Before attempting the procedure, ensure that:
– mechanical handling equipment is available, if required, for handling refrigerant cylinders;
– all personal protective equipment is available and being used correctly;
– the recovery process is supervised at all times by a competent person;
– recovery equipment and cylinders conform to the appropriate standards.
d) Pump down refrigerant system, if possible.
e) If a vacuum is not possible, make a manifold so that refrigerant can be removed from various parts of the system.

f) Make sure that cylinder is situated on the scales before recovery takes place.
g) Start the recovery machine and operate in accordance with manufacturer's instructions.
h) Do not overfill cylinders. (No more than 80% volume liquid charge).
i) Do not exceed the maximum working pressure of the cylinder, even temporarily.
j) When the cylinders have been filled correctly and the process completed, make sure that the cylinders and the equipment are removed from site promptly and all isolation valves on the equipment are closed off.
k) Recovered refrigerant shall not be charged into another refrigerating system unless it has been cleaned and checked.

- Labelling

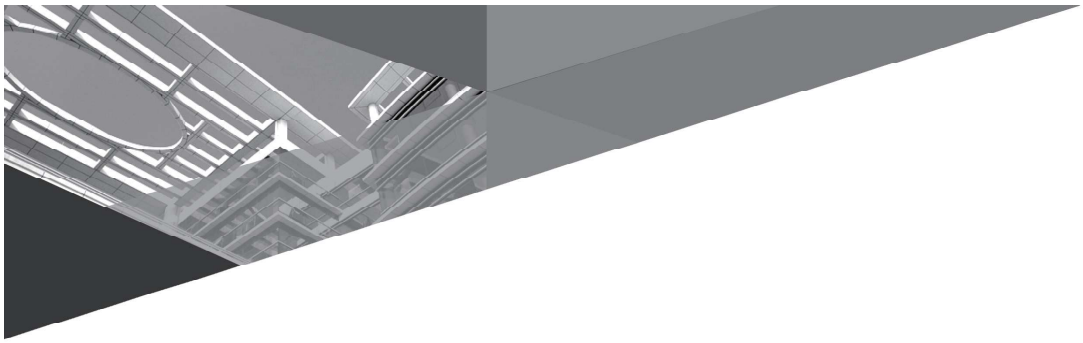
Equipment shall be labelled stating that it has been de-commissioned and emptied of refrigerant. The label shall be dated and signed. For appliances containing flammable refrigerants, ensure that there are labels on the equipment stating the equipment contains flammable refrigerant.

- Recovery

When removing refrigerant from a system, either for servicing or decommissioning, it is recommended good practice that all refrigerants are removed safely.
When transferring refrigerant into cylinders, ensure that only appropriate refrigerant recovery cylinders are employed. Ensure that the correct number of cylinders for holding the total system charge is available. All cylinders to be used are designated for the recovered refrigerant and labelled for that refrigerant (i.e. special cylinders for the recovery of refrigerant). Cylinders shall be complete with pressure-relief valve and associated shut-off valves in good working order. Empty recovery cylinders are evacuated and, if possible, cooled before recovery occurs.
The recovery equipment shall be in good working order with a set of instructions concerning the equipment that is at hand and shall be suitable for the recovery of all appropriate refrigerants including, when applicable, flammable refrigerants. In addition, a set of calibrated weighing scales shall be available and in good working order. Hoses shall be complete with leak-free disconnect couplings and in good condition. Before using the recovery machine, check that it is in satisfactory working order, has been properly maintained and that any associated electrical components are sealed to prevent ignition in the event of a refrigerant release. Consult manufacturer if in doubt.
The recovered refrigerant shall be returned to the refrigerant supplier in the correct recovery cylinder, and the relevant waste transfer note arranged. Do not mix refrigerants in recovery units and especially not in cylinders.
If compressors or compressor oils are to be removed, ensure that they have been evacuated to an acceptable level to make certain that flammable refrigerant does not remain within the lubricant. The evacuation process shall be carried out prior to returning the compressor to the suppliers. Only electric heating to the compressor body shall be employed to accelerate this process. When oil is drained from a system, it shall be carried out safely.

- General

That the installation of pipe-work shall be kept to a minimum.
That compliance with national gas regulations shall be observed.
That mechanical connections made in accordance with 22.118 shall be accessible for maintenance purposes.



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