Installation Manual
for the 121X series of RV Refrigerators

The letter “X”, in the model numbers above, stands for a letter or numeral which means a refrigerator option.

WARNING: Improper installation, adjustment, alteration, service or maintenance can cause injury or property damage. Refer to this manual. For assistance or additional information, contact a qualified installer, service agency, or the gas supplier.

FOR YOUR SAFETY
Do not store or use gasoline or other flammable vapors and liquid in the vicinity of this or any other appliance.

FOR YOUR SAFETY
If you smell gas:
1. Open windows.
2. Don’t touch electrical switches.
3. Extinguish any open flame.
4. Immediately call your gas supplier.

WARNING: DO NOT install this refrigerator in below deck marine applications. Do not install this refrigerator in a fixed indoor cabin or other dwelling applications. This refrigerator must use only NORCOLD designed and approved outside air intake and exhaust ventilation for correct and safe operation. Any other ventilation could cause lethal combustion exhaust fumes and/or explosive propane gas fumes to be in the living area and/or to be below deck.
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Safety Awareness

Read this manual carefully and understand the contents before you install the refrigerator.

Be aware of possible safety hazards when you see the safety alert symbol on the refrigerator and in this manual. A signal word follows the safety alert symbol and identifies the danger of the hazard. Carefully read the descriptions of these signal words to fully know their meanings. They are for your safety.

⚠️ WARNING: This signal word means a hazard, which if ignored, can cause dangerous personal injury, death, or much property damage.

⚠️ CAUTION: This signal word means a hazard, which if ignored, can cause small personal injury or much property damage.

Safety Instructions

WARNING:

- This refrigerator is not approved for use as a free standing refrigerator. It is equipped for the use of propane gas only and cannot be changed to use any other fuels (natural gas, butane, etc.).

- Incorrect installation, adjustment, alteration, or maintenance of this refrigerator can cause personal injury, property damage, or both.

- Obey the instructions in this manual to install intake and exhaust vents.

- Do not install the refrigerator directly on carpet. Put the refrigerator on a metal or wood panel that extends the full width and depth of the refrigerator.

- Do not allow anything to touch the refrigerator cooling system.

- Propane gas can ignite and cause an explosion that can result in property damage, personal injury, or death. Do not smoke or create sparks. Do not use an open flame to examine the propane gas supply line for leaks. Always use two wrenches to tighten or loosen the propane gas supply line connections.

- Make sure the electrical installation obeys all applicable codes. See “Certification and Code Requirements” section.

- Do not bypass or change the refrigerator’s electrical components or features.

- Do not spray liquids near electrical outlets, connections, or the refrigerator components. Many liquids are electrically conductive and can cause a shock hazard, electrical shorts, and in some cases fire.

- The refrigerator cooling system is under pressure. Do not try to repair or to recharge a defective cooling system.

- The cooling system contains sodium chromate. The breathing of certain chromium compounds can cause cancer. The cooling system contents can cause severe skin and eye burns, and can ignite and burn with an intense flame. Do not bend, drop, weld, move, drill, puncture, or hit the cooling system.

CAUTION:

- The rear of the refrigerator has sharp edges and corners. To prevent cuts or abrasions when working on the refrigerator, use caution and wear cut resistant gloves.

- Make sure that the refrigerator is stored in a location so that it is not exposed to the elements of the weather.

Certification and Code Requirements

This refrigerator is certified by CSA International as meeting the latest edition of ANSI Z21.19 / CAN 1.4 standards for installation in mobile homes or recreational vehicles.

The installation must obey these standards and this “Installation Manual” for the NORCOLD limited warranty to be in effect. Installation must conform with the following as applicable:
WARNING: The completed installation must:

- Make sure there is sufficient intake of fresh air for combustion.
- Make sure the living space is completely isolated from the combustion system of the refrigerator.
- Make sure there is complete and unrestricted ventilation of the flue exhaust which, in gas mode, can produce carbon monoxide. The breathing of carbon monoxide fumes can cause dizziness, nausea, or in extreme cases, death.
- Make sure the refrigerator is completely isolated from its heat generating components through the correct use of baffles and panel construction.

Certified installation needs one lower intake vent and one upper exhaust vent. Install the vents exactly as written in this manual. Any other installation method voids both the certification and the factory warranty of the refrigerator.

The bottom of the opening for the lower intake vent, which is also the service access door, must be even with or immediately below the floor level. This allows any leaking propane gas to escape to the outside and not to collect at floor level.

CSA International certification allows the refrigerator to have zero (0) inch minimum clearance at the sides, rear, top, and bottom. While there are no maximum clearances specified for certification, the following maximum clearances are necessary for correct refrigerator performance:

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These clearances plus the lower and upper vents allow the natural air draft that is necessary for good refrigeration. Cooler air comes in through the lower vent, goes up around the refrigerator coils where it removes the excess heat from the refrigerator components, and goes out through the upper vent.

The refrigerator also has two thermostat controlled fans to move air across the cooling system. These fans turn on when the condenser fin temperature at the thermostat is about 130° F or higher and only when the refrigerator controls are on. These fans turn off when the condenser fin temperature at the thermostat is about 115° F or less. Even with these fans, if the air flow is blocked or decreased, the refrigerator will not cool correctly.

Each NORCOLD model is certified by CSA International for correct ventilation. Install only the certified vents that are listed in this manual.
Key Refrigerator Dimensions

These key refrigerator dimensions are for your reference as necessary (See Art01734).

Refrigerator cabinet width w/o trim - 32.4 in. .................... 1
Refrigerator width overall w/ trim - 35.0 in. ...................... 2
Refrigerator cabinet to side trim - 1.30 in. ..................... 3
Refrigerator cabinet height w/o trim - 63.2 in. ................. 4
Refrigerator height overall w/ trim - 65.1 in. ................... 5
Refrigerator cabinet to top/bottom trim - 0.90 in. .......... 6
Enclosure wall to hinges - 1.92 in. .......................... 7
Refrigerator cabinet to center of handles - 40.5 in. ....... 8
Enclosure wall to door (w/dispenser) - 4.47 in. ........ 123
Assemble the Enclosure for the Refrigerator

1. Make sure the enclosure shelf is solid and level. The enclosure shelf must be:
   - a metal or a wood panel and extend the full width and depth of the enclosure.
   - able to support the weight of the refrigerator and its contents.
   - level to maintain door alignment.

2. Make sure there are no adjacent heat sources such as a furnace vent, a hot water heater vent, etc.

3. Make sure the enclosure is 63.25 - 63.38 inches high x 32.69 - 32.82 inches wide x 24 inches deep.

   NOTE: Measure the enclosure depth [174] from the interior face of the enclosure to the inside of the rear wall (See art01763).

4. The enclosure face must be perpendicular to the enclosure shelf to provide a combustion seal.

5. The cutout opening must be square and perpendicular to the enclosure shelf to maintain door alignment.

6. Using the following chart, decide which vents and rough opening (RO) sizes to use:

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<td>Upper Roof Exhaust Cap</td>
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<td>Upper Roof Exhaust Vent</td>
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<td>625161</td>
<td>24 in.</td>
<td>5 1/4 in.</td>
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<td>Upper Plastic Exhaust &amp; Lower Intake</td>
<td>621156</td>
<td>13 3/4 in.</td>
<td>21 1/2 in.</td>
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<td>Lower Metal Corner Intake</td>
<td>616010</td>
<td>9 3/4 in.</td>
<td>9 3/8 in.</td>
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Install the Lower Intake Vent

Install the lower intake vent (See Art01597):

   NOTE: The lower intake vent is also the service access opening for the components on the rear of the refrigerator.

   WARNING: Make sure the bottom of the opening of the lower intake vent is even with or immediately below the floor level.
   This allows any leaking propane gas to escape to the outside and not to collect at floor level.
   - Make sure the bottom of the opening of the lower intake vent [9] is even with or immediately below the floor level.
   - Make sure that the opening for the lower intake vent is between 1/2 inch and 1 inch from the burner side of the refrigerator enclosure.
Optional Installation

You can change enclosures that were made for Norcold model N8XX refrigerators so that you can put Norcold model 121X refrigerators into them.

To change the Norcold model N8XX refrigerator enclosure [130] into the Norcold model 121X refrigerator enclosure [131] (See Art01597):

- Increase the height of the enclosure by 3 3/8 inches [132].
- Increase the width of the enclosure by 8 13/16 inches [133].
- Make sure to add the additional width to the left side of the enclosure (as looking at the rear of the refrigerator).

Install the necessary baffles only as written in the “Install the Upper and Lower Vents” section of this manual.

The locations of the 12 VDC supply, the 120 VAC supply, and the propane gas supply line do not change.
Install an Upper Roof Exhaust Vent

1. Install the upper roof exhaust vent.

   **CAUTION:** Make sure that no sawdust, insulation, or other construction debris is on the refrigerator or in the enclosure. Debris can cause a combustion hazard and prevent the refrigerator from operating correctly.

   **NOTE:** Tighten the screws of the upper roof exhaust cap to 10 inch-pounds max. Also make sure that the air flow around the upper roof exhaust cap is not blocked or decreased by other roof mounted features such as a luggage carrier, an air conditioner, a solar panel, etc.

2. Align the upper roof exhaust vent above the lower intake exhaust vent (See Art01597):

3. Determine the type of enclosure in a vehicle using an upper roof exhaust vent (See Art01756):

   - If the distance from the face of the enclosure to the inboard edge of the roof exhaust vent opening [169] is more than 17 1/2 inches, install the roof exhaust vent [12] directly above the condenser [11] of the refrigerator as a vertical enclosure.

   - If the distance from the face of the enclosure to the inboard edge of the roof exhaust vent opening [169] is 17 1/2 inches or less, install the roof exhaust vent [12] inboard from the condenser [11] of the refrigerator as an offset vertical enclosure.

Install the Baffles for an Upper Roof Exhaust Vent

If there is more than 1/2 inch between either side of the refrigerator and the inside of the enclosure:

   - Fill the space with fiberglass (batt-type) insulation or add a baffle to eliminate the clearance.

     - The rear of the batt-type insulation must be between 18 3/4 -19 1/4 inches from the face of the enclosure.

     - Securely attach the batt-type insulation to the enclosure, so that it remains in this position during refrigerator installation, if it becomes wet, and in windy conditions.

   **CAUTION:** Make sure that all horizontal baffles are the full width of the inside of the enclosure and are in the correct location. If the baffles are not the full width of the enclosure or incorrectly located, poor cooling performance can result.

Vertical enclosures:

If the enclosure depth is 24 inches or more and less than 25 inches (See Art01780):

   - Install a top baffle [13].

     - Make sure there is less than 1/4 inch clearance between the baffle and the top of the refrigerator.
If the enclosure depth is 25 inches or more and less than 26 inches (See Art01781):
- Install a top baffle [13].
  - Make sure that the top baffle is less than 1/4 inch [15] from the top of the refrigerator.
- Install a condenser baffle [16] at the lowest edge of the condenser of the refrigerator.
  - Make sure that the condenser baffle is 1 inch or less [19] from the condenser.
- Install an absorber baffle [171] 18 inches to 18 1/2 inches above the bottom of the enclosure [17] (4 1/4 inches to 4 3/4 inches above the top of the lower intake vent opening) [18].
  - Make sure that the absorber baffle is 1 inch or less [19] from the absorber.

If the enclosure depth is 26 inches or more (See Art01782):
- Install a top baffle [13].
  - Make sure that the top baffle is less than 1/4 inch [15] from the top of the refrigerator.
- Install a wood or an aluminum or galvanized sheet solid box baffle [21] in the rear of the enclosure.
  - Make sure that the bottom of the solid box baffle is 18 inches to 18 1/2 inches above the bottom of the enclosure [17] (4 1/4 inches to 4 3/4 inches above the top of the lower intake vent opening) [18].
  - Make sure that the back of the solid box baffle is perpendicular to the bottom of the enclosure.
  - Make sure that the back of the solid box baffle is against the top of the enclosure.
  - Make sure that the solid box baffle is one inch or less [19] from the coils [10] and condenser [11] of the refrigerator.
  - Make sure that the solid box baffle is the full width of the inside of the enclosure.
**Offset vertical enclosures:**

If the enclosure depth is 24 inches or more and less than 25 inches (See Art01783):

- Install an angled top baffle [172] between the top rear edge of the refrigerator and the inside edge of the upper exhaust vent opening.
  - Make sure that the angled top baffle is less than 1/4 inch [15] from the top of the refrigerator.
  - Make sure that the angled top baffle is no more than 45° from vertical [20].
- Install an inside corner baffle [173] between the outside edge of the upper exhaust vent opening and either the side wall of the vehicle or the solid box baffle (depending on the vehicle design).

If the enclosure depth is 25 inches or more and less than 26 inches (See Art01784):

- Install an angled top baffle [172] between the top rear edge of the refrigerator and the inside edge of the upper exhaust vent opening.
  - Make sure that the angled top baffle is less than 1/4 inch [15] from the top of the refrigerator.
  - Make sure that the angled top baffle is no more than 45° from vertical [20].
- Install an inside corner baffle [173] between the outside edge of the upper exhaust vent opening and either the side wall of the vehicle or the solid box baffle (depending on the vehicle design).
- Install a condenser baffle [16] at the lowest edge of the condenser of the refrigerator.
  - Make sure that the condenser baffle is 1 inch or less [19] from the condenser.
- Install an absorber baffle [171] 18 inches to 18 1/2 inches above the bottom of the enclosure [17] (4 1/4 inches to 4 3/4 inches above the top of the lower intake vent opening) [18].
  - Make sure that the absorber baffle is 1 inch or less [19] from the absorber.
If the enclosure depth is 26 inches or more (See Art01785):

- Install an angled top baffle [172] between the top rear edge of the refrigerator and the inside edge of the upper exhaust vent opening.
  - Make sure that the angled top baffle is less than 1/4 inch from the top of the refrigerator.
  - Make sure that the angled top baffle is no more than 45° from vertical [20].

- Install an inside corner baffle [173] between the outside edge of the upper exhaust vent opening and either the side wall of the vehicle or the solid box baffle (depending on the vehicle design).

- Install a wood or an aluminum or galvanized sheet solid box baffle [21] in the rear of the enclosure.
  - Make sure that the bottom of the solid box baffle is 18 inches to 18 1/2 inches above the bottom of the enclosure [17] (4 1/4 inches to 4 3/4 inches above the top of the lower intake vent opening) [18].
  - Make sure that the back of the solid box baffle is perpendicular to the bottom of the enclosure.
  - Make sure that the back of the solid box baffle is either against the top of the enclosure or against the inside corner baffle [173] (depending on the vehicle design).
    - Make sure that the solid box baffle is one inch or less from the coils [10] and condenser [11] of the refrigerator.
    - Make sure that the solid box baffle is the full width of the inside of the enclosure.
Install an Upper Side-Wall Exhaust Vent

If the design of the vehicle does not allow you to install a roof exhaust vent, install an upper side-wall exhaust vent.

NOTE: The refrigerator is 23.7 in. min. to 24.0 in. max. from the rear of the breaker to the rear of the condenser [22] and is 59.0 in. min. to 59.3 in. max. from the bottom of the refrigerator to the bottom of the refrigerator condenser [23] (See Art01600).

CAUTION: Only use an upper side-wall exhaust vent on refrigerator models that are equipped with a fan. If you use an upper side-wall exhaust vent on a refrigerator model that is not equipped with a fan, the refrigerator cooling performance will be poor.

Make sure the refrigerator model is equipped with a fan.

- Install the upper side-wall exhaust vent [24] so that the distance [25] from the bottom of the enclosure to the top of the rough opening for the upper exhaust vent is at least 63 inches (see Art01588 and Art01589).
  - Align the upper exhaust vent horizontally above the lower intake vent [9].

Install the Baffles for an Upper Side-Wall Exhaust Vent

CAUTION: Make sure that all horizontal baffles are the full width of the inside of the enclosure and are in the correct location. If the baffles are not the full width of the enclosure or incorrectly located, poor cooling performance can result.

If the enclosure depth is 24 inches or more and less than 26 inches (See Art01764):

- Install a wood, aluminum or galvanized steel top baffle [13] between the top of the refrigerator and the top of the upper exhaust vent [24].
  - Make sure that the top baffle is less than 1/4 inch [15] from the top of the refrigerator and baffle overlaps the refrigerator 1 inch or less.
  - Make sure that the baffle is against the wall of the vehicle at the top of the upper exhaust vent and less than 1/4 inch above the opening for the upper exhaust vent.
- Install an aluminum or galvanized steel bent-sheet condenser baffle [26].
  - Make sure that the bend of the condenser baffle is the full width of the inside of the enclosure.
- Make sure that the bend of the condenser baffle is flush with the bottom edge of the door frame of the upper side-wall exhaust vent.

- Make sure that the top edge of the condenser baffle is 1/4 inch or less [15] from the lower rear corner of the condenser.

If the enclosure depth is 26 inches or more (See Art01787):

- Install a wood, aluminum or galvanized steel top baffle [13] between the top of the refrigerator and the top of the upper exhaust vent [24].

- Make sure that the top baffle is less than 1/4 inch [15] from the top of the refrigerator and baffle overlaps the refrigerator 1 inch or less.

- Make sure that the baffle is against the wall of the vehicle at the top of the upper exhaust vent and less than 1/4 inch above the opening for the upper exhaust vent.

- Install solid box baffle [21] between the lower intake vent and the upper exhaust vent (See Art01593).

- Make the solid box baffle either from wood or from an aluminum or galvanized-steel sheet.

- Make sure that the bottom of the solid box baffle is 18 inches to 18 1/2 inches above the bottom of the enclosure [17] (4 1/4 inches to 4 3/4 inches above the top of the lower intake vent opening REF) [18].

- Make sure that the back of the solid box baffle is perpendicular to the bottom of the enclosure.

- Make sure that the horizontal top of the solid box baffle is even with the bottom edge of the upper exhaust vent [24].

- Make sure that the vertical top edge of the solid box baffle is 1/2 inch or less [170] below and 1/4 inch or less behind [15] the lower rear corner of the condenser [11].
Install an Air Deflector (optional)

If the floor plan has the refrigerator on the rear wall of the vehicle, obey all of the vent installation as written in the "Install the Lower and Upper Vents" section of this manual. Install the roof exhaust vent so that:

- The sloped end of the roof exhaust vent is toward either side of the vehicle.
- The roof exhaust vent is perpendicular to the air flow over the vehicle.

Install an air deflector on the roof of the vehicle between the roof exhaust vent and the front of the vehicle (See Art01767).

- Make sure that the air deflector [175] is between the roof exhaust vent [24] and the front of the vehicle [179].
- Make sure that the air deflector is at least 3 1/2 inches high [176].
- Make sure that the overall width [177] of the air deflector is 32 7/8
- Make sure that the distance between the air deflector and the roof exhaust vent is between 2 and 3 inches [178].

Install Decorative Door Panels (non-metal door models)

NOTE: The doors are made to accept decorative panels. The decorative panels must be 3/16 inch or less in thickness. Install the decorative door panels in the refrigerator doors before installing the refrigerator in the vehicle.

1. Make two upper door panels that are 16 13/64 inches wide x 18 3/8 inches high:
   - Raised panels must be centered on each door and no larger than 15 11/32 inches wide x 17 11/32 inches high.

2. Make two lower door panels that are 16 13/64 inches wide x 41 13/64 inches high:
   - Raised panels must be centered on each door and no larger than 15 11/32 inches wide x 40 11/32 inches high.

3. Install the decorative door panels:
   - Pull the panel retainer [37] off of each door [39] (See Art01797).
   - Push a decorative door panel [38] into the slots of each door.
   - Make sure that each panel retainer is correctly positioned and push the curved snap [125] of the panel retainer [37] inside of the curved snap [126] of the door (See Art01794).
Install the Refrigerator

When manually (by hand) or mechanically (by hoist, lift truck, etc.) handling a refrigerator that is not installed in an enclosure, the best method is while the refrigerator is in its original packaging.

If the refrigerator is not in its original packaging, use the sides, the edges, and/or the corners of the refrigerator cabinet as the primary load carrying points.

There are two (2) areas of the cooling unit that may be used as handling points [122] (See Art01754). These handling points may be used only to tilt or to steady the refrigerator. When tilting the refrigerator, Norcold recommends that you have another person hold the refrigerator cabinet.

⚠️ **CAUTION:** Do not lift or drag the refrigerator by using either or both of the two (2) handling points. Damage to the refrigerator cooling unit can result.

- Put the refrigerator completely into the enclosure:
  - Push below the center of the refrigerator.
  - Pull using a wire-form tool hooked into mounting holes [121] of the refrigerator frame (See Art01753).

⚠️ **WARNING:** Make sure the foam combustion seal is not broken, is completely around the refrigerator mounting flanges, and is between the mounting flanges and the wall of the enclosure. If the seal is not complete, exhaust fumes can be present in the living area of the vehicle. The breathing of exhaust fumes can cause dizziness, nausea, or in extreme cases, death.

1. Put the refrigerator in position:

⚠️ **WARNING:** Make sure the combustion seal is not broken, is completely around the refrigerator mounting flanges, and is between the mounting flanges and the wall of the enclosure. If the seal is not complete, exhaust fumes can be present in the living area of the vehicle. The breathing of exhaust fumes can cause dizziness, nausea, or in extreme cases, death.

**NOTE:** Be careful when you put the refrigerator into position. The refrigerator has vacuum insulating panels on the top and sides. If punctured, these panels lose insulation value which decreases the cooling performance of the refrigerator. It is not necessary to remove the protective packaging from the doors of metal door models to install or operate the refrigerator.

- Make sure that the flue cap is not pushed down against the top of the flue tube.
- Push the refrigerator into the enclosure so the side trim is approximately one inch from the wall.
2. Make sure that the side trim pieces [127] are in the correct position (See Art01649 and Art01650):

- Slide both side trim pieces up or down as necessary so that the ends of the side trim pieces are fully covered by the upper and lower trim pieces [40 and 128].

- Pull the left hand side trim piece toward the left as far as it will go so that there is no gap between the edge of the side trim piece and the upper and lower trim pieces.

- Pull the right hand side trim piece toward the right as far as it will go so that there is no gap between the edge of the side trim piece and the upper and lower trim pieces.

- Push the refrigerator completely into the enclosure.

3. Install the mounting screws and trim:

- Put the upper trim piece [40] onto the front of the refrigerator (See Art01649).

- Put the four screws [41] through the mounting flange on the front of the refrigerator and into the enclosure wall.

- Put a cap plug [129] on each of the screw holes in the upper trim piece on the front of the refrigerator.

⚠️ WARNING: Do not omit the lower trim piece. This piece is part of the combustion seal.

Push the lower trim piece [128] onto the front of the refrigerator (See Art01650).

- Put the four screws [41] through the mounting flange on the front of the refrigerator and into the enclosure wall.

- Put a cap plug [129] on each of the screw holes in the lower trim piece on the front of the refrigerator.

- Put two or more screws through the mounting flange on the rear of the refrigerator and into the floor.

4. On metal door models only, you may wish to remove the protective packaging from the doors.

NOTE: Be careful to not scratch or dent the metal doors. Do not use any abrasive cleaners, chemicals, or scouring pads because they can damage the finish of the doors.
Connect the Electrical Components

This refrigerator operates on these electrical sources. Operation out of these limits may damage the refrigerator’s electrical circuit parts and will void the warranty.

AC Operation 120 volts AC voltage (132 volts max. - 108 volts min.)
12 volts DC control voltage (15.4 volts max. - 10.5 volts min.)

⚠️ WARNING: The rear of the refrigerator cooling system has hot surfaces and sharp surfaces that can damage electrical wiring. Make sure that there is a good clearance between all electrical wiring and the cooling system of the refrigerator. Position any electrical wiring within the refrigerator enclosure opposite the burner side of the refrigerator. Do not put any electrical wiring through the roof exhaust vent. Failure to correctly position electrical wiring can result in electrical shock or fire.

Connect the 120 volts AC supply:

⚠️ WARNING: Connect the AC power cord(s) only to a grounded three-prong receptacle. Do not remove the round ground prong from the AC power cord of the refrigerator or the ice maker (optional). Do not use a two prong adapter or an extension cord with either AC power cord. Operation of the refrigerator without correct ground can cause dangerous electrical shock or death if you are touching the metal parts of the refrigerator.

Put the AC power cord(s) into a grounded three-prong receptacle:
- Make sure the receptacle is positioned within easy reach of the lower intake vent.
- Make sure the power cord(s) does not touch the burner cover, the flue pipe, or any hot component that could damage the insulation of the power cord.

Connect the 12 volts DC supply:

The refrigerator controls operate on 12 VDC power. As the distance from the vehicle battery to the refrigerator increases, the correct AWG wire size and fuse size also increases. If the wire size is too small for the distance, a voltage drop occurs.

Use a minimum of 18 AWG wire and a maximum 6 Amp fuse. If the wire size is larger than the min. size, use the correct fuse per RVIA A119.2 standard or local codes.

1. Install a fuse in DC power supply wires between the battery and the refrigerator:
   - Put fuse as close to the battery as possible.

2. Connect the DC power supply wires (See Art01748):
   - Attach a 1/4 inch Quick Connect terminal to each DC power supply wire.

   NOTE: Do not use the chassis of the refrigerator or the vehicle frame as one of the conductors.

   - Connect the positive DC power wire [50] to the terminal on the power board [49] that is marked 12VDC.
   - Push the DC ground wire [51] onto the terminal of the power board [49] that is marked GND.
   - Make sure each DC power supply wire is on the correct polarity terminal.
Connect the Propane Gas Components

This refrigerator operates on propane gas at a pressure of 11 inches Water Column Propane.

The controls operate on 12 volts DC (10.5 volts min. - 15.4 volts max.). Operation out of these limits can damage the refrigerator electrical circuit parts and will void the warranty.

Connect the propane gas supply system:

⚠️ **WARNING:** Be very careful when working on or near the propane gas system.

- Do not smoke, or use an open flame near the propane gas system.
- Do not use an open flame to examine for leaks.
- Do not connect the refrigerator to the propane gas tank without a pressure regulator between them.
- To avoid a propane gas leak, always use two wrenches to tighten or loosen the propane gas supply line connections.
- Leaking propane gas can ignite or explode and result in dangerous personal injury or death.

Connect the gas supply line to the refrigerator:

- Make sure that all tubing and fittings obey all local, state, and national codes about size and type.
- Make sure that all flexible metal connectors obey the current CAN1-6.10 Standard.
- Make sure that the materials used for the gas supply line obey both the current ANSI A 119.2 (NFPA 1192) and CSA Z240 Standards on Recreational Vehicles. Norcold recommends the use of 3/8 inch copper tubing as the gas supply line and requires a 3/8 inch SAE (UNF 5/8-18) male flare fitting as the connection to the refrigerator.
- Put the propane gas supply line up through the floor of the enclosure.
- Make sure the hole through the floor is large enough allow clearance for the gas supply line.
- Put a weather resistant seal (grommet, sealant, etc.) around the gas supply line where it goes through the floor to prevent vibration and abrasion.
- To prevent vibration and abrasion, make sure that the gas supply line is not against anything in the enclosure.
- Attach the gas supply line to the bulkhead fitting of the refrigerator.

Examine the propane gas supply line for leaks:

⚠️ **WARNING:** Do not allow the leak detecting solution to touch the electrical components. Many liquids are electrically conductive and can cause electrical shorts and in some cases, fire.

Use a leak detecting solution to examine the gas supply line and all propane gas connections for leaks.

If you use compressed air for the test:

- The pressure of the compressed air at the manual shut off valve of the refrigerator must not be more than 1/2 psig (14 inches Water Column).
- If the pressure of the compressed air is more than 1/2 psig (14 inches Water Column), remove the gas supply line from the bulkhead fitting of the refrigerator before the test.
- If the pressure of the compressed air is equal to or less than 1/2 psig (14 inches Water Column), close the manual shut off valve of the refrigerator before the test.
Connect the Ice Maker (optional)

The ice maker is assembled to the refrigerators at the factory as optional equipment. If the refrigerator does not have a factory installed ice maker, one cannot be added to the refrigerator at a later time.

The refrigerator installer must connect a cold water supply line to the solenoid valve at the rear of the refrigerator. The following are necessary to connect the icemaker:

- 1/4 in. OD copper tubing for the water supply line.

OR

- 1/4 in. OD plastic tubing for the water supply line.

- 1/4 in. shut off valve in the water supply line. This should be easily accessible through the lower intake vent.

Connect the water supply line:

Install a 1/4 in. OD water supply line [43] from the water shut off valve of the vehicle to the solenoid water valve [44] at the rear of the refrigerator (See Art01014):

NOTE: A brass compression nut [45], a brass sleeve, a plastic sleeve [46], and a brass insert [47] are supplied and attached to the rear of the refrigerator (See Art01604).

- Put the compression nut and then the sleeve onto the water supply line [43].
  - For copper tubing, use the brass sleeve.
  - For plastic tubing, use the plastic sleeve [46].
  - For plastic tubing with .040 in. wall thickness, also use the brass insert [47].

- Flush the water supply line until the water is clear.

- Put the tubing into the adapter [48] until it is against the stop of the adapter.

- Tighten the compression nut by hand (hard finger tight).

- Using two wrenches, tighten the compression nut 1 ½ to 2 turns.

- Open the water shut off valve of the vehicle.

- Examine the connections for leaks.
Before ignition or start up of the refrigerator:

- Make sure the air flow in the lower intake vent, through the refrigerator coils and condenser, and out the upper exhaust vent is not blocked or decreased.

- Make sure there are no combustible materials in or around the refrigerator.

NOTE: If the gas does not ignite in 30 seconds, the gas safety valve of the refrigerator automatically closes. The controls either select a different energy source or “no” “FL” appears in the center display and you will hear an alarm sound. This means that the gas did not ignite.

If the gas does not ignite after several attempts, refer to the “Fault Codes” section of this manual.

Set the controls to automatic mode operation:

- Push the ON / OFF button [34] to turn the refrigerator on (See Art01333).

- Push and hold the MODE button [31] until the letters “AU” show in the center display and then release.

- If 120 volts AC is available to the refrigerator:
  - The letters “AU” and then “AC” show in the center display.
  - After ten seconds, the “AU” and then “AC” go off and only a green power ON light remains.
  - This means that the refrigerator is operating on AC electric.

- If 120 volts AC is not available to the refrigerator:
  - The letters “AU” and then “AC” show in the center display.
  - After five seconds, the “AU” and then “LP” show in the center display.
  - After ten seconds, the “AU” and the “LP” go off and only a green power ON light remains.
  - This means that the refrigerator is operating on propane gas.

- If neither 120 volts AC nor propane gas is available to the refrigerator:
  - The fault codes “no” “AC” and then “no” “FL” show in the center display and an audible alarm sounds.

If an energy source is available to the refrigerator, but is not operating correctly:

- A fault code shows in the center display.

- The refrigerator controls try to change to a less efficient energy source.
- If a less efficient energy source is not available:
  - An audible alarm starts.
  - A fault code shows in the center display.
  - Refer to the “Fault Codes” section of this manual.

**Set the controls to manual mode operation:**

- Push the ON / OFF button to turn the refrigerator on.
- Push and hold the MODE button until the letters “AC” show in the center display and then release.
  - After ten seconds, the “AC” goes off and only a green power ON light remains.
- Push and hold the MODE button until the letters “LP” show in the center display and then release.
  - After ten seconds, the “LP” goes off and only a green power ON light remains.

**Do a test of the gas safety valve:**

1. Start up the refrigerator in the manual mode operation.
2. Open the lower intake vent.
3. Remove one wire from the solenoid of the gas safety valve at the rear of the refrigerator.
4. Within 30 seconds, the flame should extinguish. This means that the gas safety valve is operating correctly.
5. Put the wire back on the solenoid of the gas safety valve.
6. Close the lower intake vent.

**Shut down - all models:**

To shut down the refrigerator, push and hold the ON/OFF button for one second.
## Fault Codes

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| No display. | DC voltage is unavailable to the refrigerator control panel or the refrigerator is OFF. | Check:  
- That the refrigerator is ON.  
- That the battery charging equipment of the vehicle is operational.  
- That the AC/DC converter is operational (if applicable).  
- See your dealer or authorized Norcold Service Center. |
| " dr " Audible alarm also. | The door was open for more than 2 minutes. | Close the door. |
| " no " " FL " Audible alarm also. | The burner did not ignite or re-ignite. | Check:  
- That the valve of the propane gas tank(s) is open.  
- That the propane gas is at the correct pressure.  
- That the manual shut off valve of the refrigerator is open.  
- That there is no air in the propane gas supply line. See "Removing air from the propane gas supply lines" section of this manual.  
- See your dealer or authorized Norcold Service Center. |
| " no " " AC " Audible alarm also. | AC voltage is unavailable to the refrigerator control. | Check:  
- That the refrigerator plugged into a serviceable outlet.  
- That the fuse or circuit breaker of the vehicle is intact.  
- That the vehicle generator is operational (if applicable).  
- See your dealer or authorized Norcold Service Center. |
| " dc " " LO " | DC voltage to the refrigerator control panel is too low. | Check:  
- That the battery charging equipment of the vehicle is operational.  
- That the AC/DC converter is operational (if applicable).  
- See your dealer or authorized Norcold Service Center. |
| " LI " " oP " | The high temperature limit switch is open. | This is not owner serviceable. See your dealer or authorized Norcold Service Center. |
| Temperature number flashes when SET TEMP button is pushed. | The refrigerator is operating on the "Back Up Operating System". | This is not owner serviceable. See your dealer or authorized Norcold Service Center. |
| " AC " " rE " Audible alarm also. | This is a fault within the refrigerator controls. | This is not owner serviceable. See your dealer or authorized Norcold Service Center. |
| " AC " " HE " Audible alarm also. | This is a fault within the refrigerator controls. | This is not owner serviceable. See your dealer or authorized Norcold Service Center. |
| " Sr " Audible alarm also. | This is a fault within the refrigerator controls. | This is not owner serviceable. See your dealer or authorized Norcold Service Center. |