



Restarting Postmix Systems following Hibernation

Instructions for Venue Operators



RESTARTING YOUR POSTMIX SYSTEM

Postmix systems will sometimes need to be temporarily shut down or hibernated during renovations or seasonal closures etc.

When systems are shut down for extended periods, the syrup within the system can deteriorate due to age (*reach product expiry date*) or can become contaminated.

In order to prevent unnecessary health risks or replacement of costly componentry upon system restart, a full system sanitising and shutdown procedure is recommended to be performed by the Asahi Beverages team.

However when a full system sanitisation and shutdown was not performed, the following procedure should be followed before the system is restarted after an extended hibernation period.

PROCEDURE

ISOLATE WATER AND ELECTRICITY

- Isolate water and electricity to chiller unit by closing the water tap and unplugging the electrical cord from the power point.

PRESSURISE THE CO₂ SYSTEM

- Turn the CO₂ Cylinder valve ON and ensure the gauges indicate pressure in the system.
- If no pressure registers on the gauges, replace the gas bottle with a full bottle.

IMPORTANT SAFETY MESSAGE - DO NOT ATTEMPT TO ADJUST THE GAS PRESSURE.

- Turn the water carbonator valve OFF. This is the right hand red lever located on the CO₂ regulator assembly (as per picture at right).

IMPORTANT SAFETY MESSAGE – THIS PREVENTS CO₂ GAS DISPENSING THROUGH THE SODA WATER VALVES.

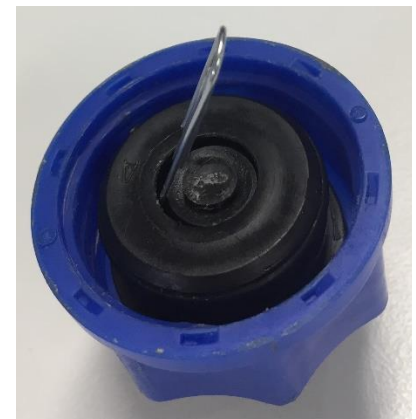
NOTE - If your regulator assembly looks different to that shown, it is generally the right-hand valve or the valve labelled “CARB”



FLUSHING THE SYSTEM WITH WARM WATER

The simplest way to flush the old syrup from the system is using water by placing the syrup BIB connector into a large bucket full of clean, fresh luke warm water.

Disconnect all the syrup BIB connectors and insert paper clips (or similar) to open the valves before carefully placing them in a large bucket of warm water (as per picture at right). Be careful not to dislodge the paper clips.



START THE SYRUP SYSTEM

- Ensure the CO₂ Cylinder valve is turned ON and there is gas in the cylinder.

FLUSH THE SYRUP SYSTEM

- Operate all dispensing valves until there is a continuous flow of clean water from each valve including every flavour button on every hand gun.
- Clean dispensing guns and valves in clean luke warm water.

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RECONNECT WATER AND ELECTRICITY

- Reconnect water and electricity to the chiller unit by opening the water tap and plugging the power lead back into the power point.
- Turn the water carbonator valve back ON. This is the red lever located on the CO₂ pressure regulator assembly (as per picture at right).
- **NOTE** - If your regulator assembly looks different to that shown, it is generally the right-hand valve or the valve labelled “CARB”
- Wait at least 4 hours for chiller to reach correct beverage dispensing temperature.



RECONNECT SYRUPS

- Connect new syrup BIB's – **Do not connect BIB's if they have reached their expiry date.**
- Operate all dispensing valves until there is a continuous flow of syrup and carbonated water from each valve.
- Taste test each flavour for temperature, carbonation and flavour strength.
- Ring Asahi Beverages on 1300 364 246 and request beverage quality testing to be performed following system restart.