

# Pro Series Electric Pilot System

### **Assembly, Operation & Maintenance**

Congratulations on your purchase, and thank you for selecting the Pro Pilot System from Blichmann Engineering™. We are confident that it will provide you years of service and many gallons of outstanding beer. This manual will familiarize you with the assembly, operation, and maintenance of the Pro Pilot System.

### **IMPORTANT!!**

#### \*\*\*\* PLEASE READ THOROUGHLY PRIOR TO USE FOR IMPORTANT SAFETY INFORMATION \*\*\*\*

**Warning:** 

Sections labeled "Warning" can lead to serious injury or death if not followed. Please read these thoroughly and understand them completely before use. If you do not understand them or have any questions, contact your retailer or Blichmann Engineering™ (www.BlichmannEngineering.com) before use. Do NOT at ANY time operate the product until you thoroughly read and understand these instructions!

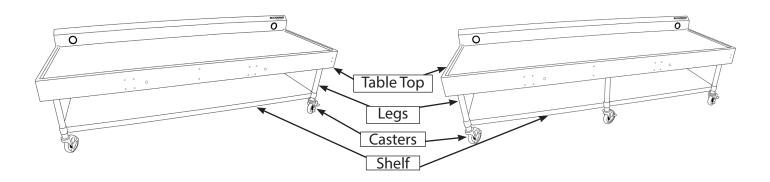
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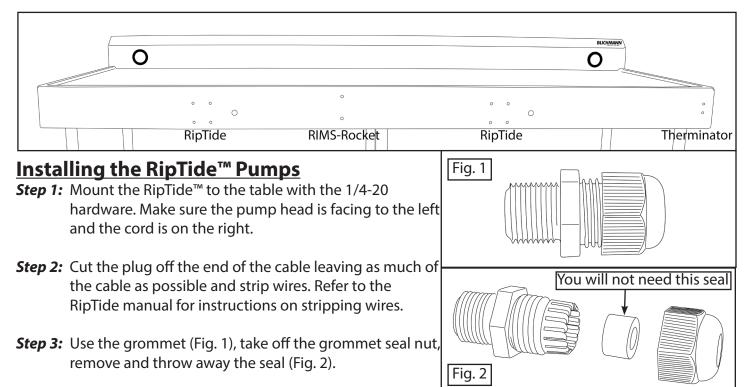
Sections labeled "Important" are critical to the proper performance and life of the product.

**Warning:** The equipment is heavy. Single person lifting could cause injury. Two people may be required to lift and maneuver the table top during assembly. Practice proper lifting techniques and use team lift concepts during handling. Hire a professional to assemble the unit if you cannot safely lift heavy equipment. Failure to comply with proper lifting techniques could result in injury or death.



### **Table Assembly:**

- Step 1: Set the table top upside down on the floor.
- **Step 2:** There will be either 4 or 6 slots for legs on your table. Loosen all lock screws on the table and shelf. Set all legs in place and leave all set screws loose.
- **Step 3:** Slide the shelf upside down onto the legs until the leg extends through the shelf bracket about 1 to 1 1/2 inches and tighten all set screws with the included allen wrench.
- **Step 4:** Once the shelf and the set screws are tight, it's time to install the casters. The caster has a bolt running through it with a rubber outer casing. When the bolt is tightened the rubber will expand. Once the caster is placed into the leg, tighten the caster bolt to insure its securely in place. Flip the table over onto the casters.



**Step 4:** Slide the stripped wire through the grommet and grommet nut. Attach the grommet to the table with the grommet nut (Fig. 3)

### Wiring the RipTide™ Pumps

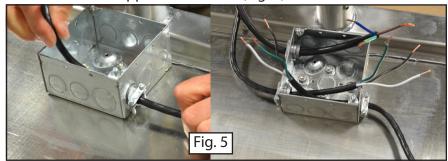
- **Step 1:** After the RipTide pumps are mounted, punch out three holes in the junction box. (Fig. 4)
- **Step 2:** Mount the RipTide wires and the power cable through the 1/2" conduit connector. (Fig. 5)
- **Step 3:** Mount the extra ground wire to the junction box. (Fig. 6)

**Step 4:** Using the wire nuts, secure the wires together(Fig. 7). Use the wire chart to determine what colors to secure together.

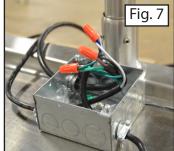
## Wire Chart Green & Green wire together White & Blue wire together Black & Brown wire together

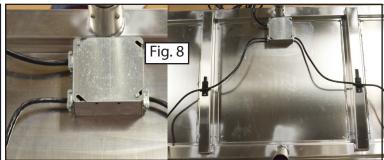
**Step 5:** Attach the junction box plate. Your parts kit will come with velcro straps with adhesive for cable managment. Stick underneath table to support the cables. (Fig. 8)









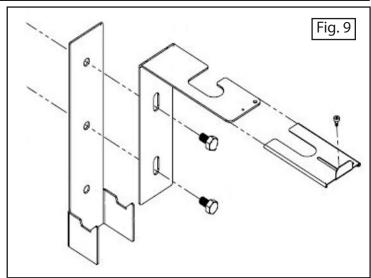


### Installing the RIMS-Rocket™

Mount the RIMS-Rocket<sup>™</sup> with the HopRocket<sup>™</sup> Mounting Bracket. Use the 5/16 hardware to secure the mounting bracket to the table. (Fig. 9)

Note: The Mounting Bracket will come with a t-slot plate that is used for the TopTier stand. This will not be needed for the Pilot System.





### Installing the Therminator™

Mount the Quick Release plate to the table using the hardware provided. Make sure to use 2 washers between the bracket and table on each hole to give enough clearance. (Fig. 10)

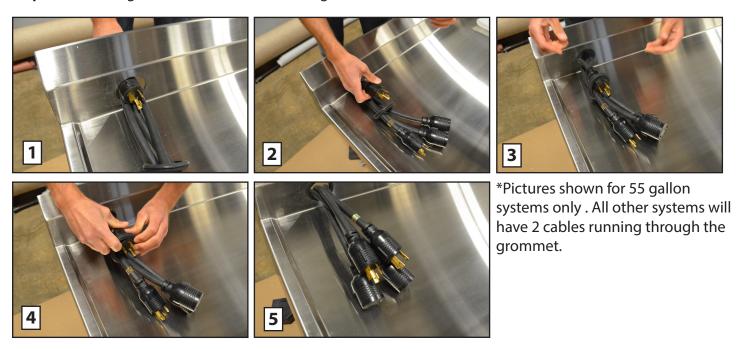


### **Installing the Temperature Controllers**

There will be 1 or 2 cable pass-through holes in the back of the table to run the controller cords through. If you are using the Dual Element Controller it is possible for all four cables to fit through a single grommet.

- **Step 1:** Remove Grommet
- **Step 2:** One cable at a time, route cables through the table and grommet.

Step 3: Re-install grommet into table. (See images below.)



### **Thread Sealing Tape**

Use thread tape on all male threads except when using QuickConnectors.

### **Cord Management**

Your parts kit will contain Velcro straps with adhesive. Use the small straps underneath the table to hold the RipTide<sup>™</sup> pump wires. Use the large velcro straps to mount to the back of the table. Your table will have 3 or 5 studs on the back to mount your large velcro straps to. Attach the large Velcro straps to the back of the table with the adhesive and use the acorn nut to lock them in place. This will add extra reinforcement to the straps. The stud in the center of the table is for the RipTide<sup>™</sup> cord and the 2 studs closest to the cable hole and grommet is for the BoilCoil<sup>™</sup> cables. (Fig. 11)

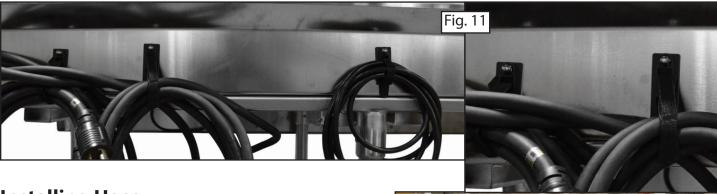


Fig. 12

### **Installing Hose**

Familiarize yourself with the function of the brewhouse. Attach QuickConnectors where needed. Install the hardware and accessories as shown in the picture of your particular system. Your kit will come with 20 feet of hose. Attach the hose to the QuickConnectors, stretch to the desired length, and cut. Once you are satisfied with the length and location of the hoses, crimp the hoses with a crimping tool. (Fig. 12)

Your parts kit will come with zip ties to label your hose.

### **AutoSparge™ Upgrade Kit**

The AutoSparge™ will come with a kit to use for 30 gallon and 55 gallon kettles. This will include a longer stem and hose, as well as an extra float ball. (Fig. 13)

\*For systems using smaller kettles use what is provided in the AutoSparge™ box. It will have the correct hose length, ball, and stem.



### **Assembling your system**

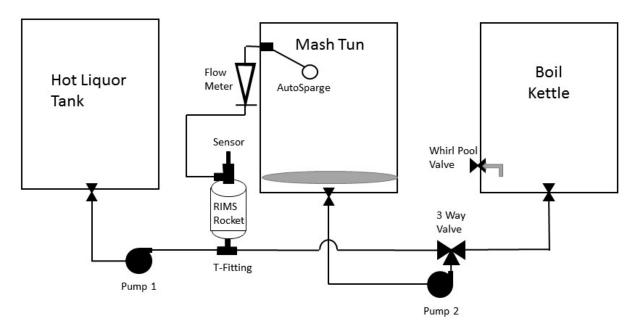
There are different system configurations we offer. Use the diagram that best suits your needs.

### 3 Vessel RIMS System (5 gal - 20 gal)

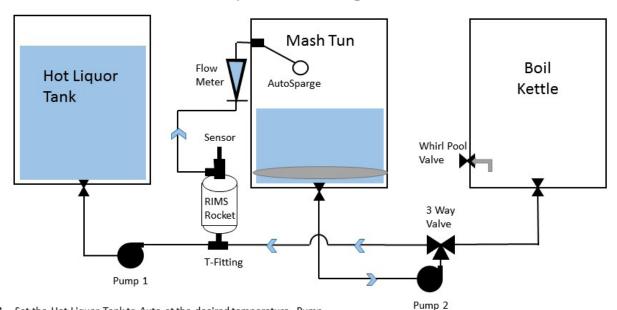


Refer to all manuals of each individual component for assembly and operation.

Plumbing and Hardware Schematic: 3 Vessel, 1BBL System

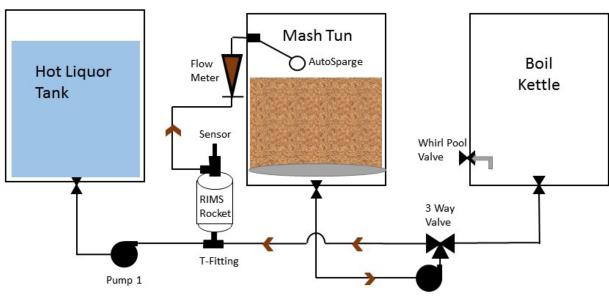


Step 1: Heat Brewing Water



- Set the Hot Liquor Tank to Auto at the desired temperature. Pump 1 is set to off.
- 2. Set Pump 2 to on with the three way valve set to recirculate.
- Set the RIMS Rocket to Auto at the desired strike water temperature.

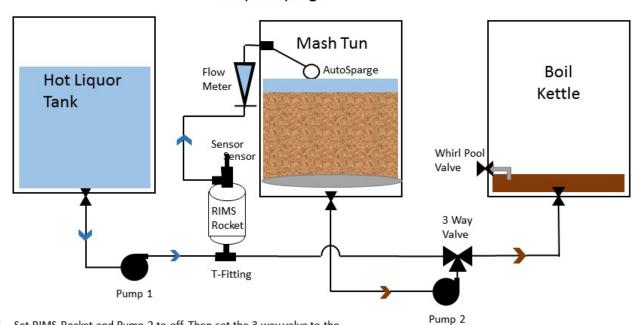
Step 2: Add Grain and Recirculate



Pump 2

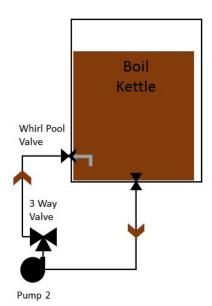
- The Hot Liquor Tank is still set to Auto at the desired temperature. Pump 1 remains off.
- 2. Set RIMS Rocket to Reset or OFF
- 3. Set Pump 2 to off and add the grain to the Mash Tun (Dough in)
- Stir well and let the grain set for 10 minutes before setting Pump 2 to on. Set the appropriate flow rate.
- Set the RIMS Rocket at the desired Mash temperature and perform step mashing techniques as desired. Always set heat to off before setting Pump 2 to off.

Step 3: Sparge



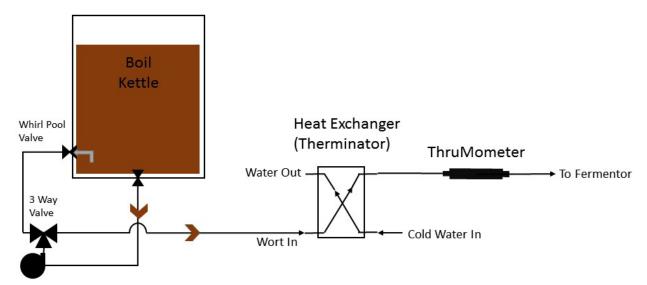
- Set RIMS Rocket and Pump 2 to off. Then set the 3 way valve to the Boil Kettle.
- Set the appropriate level with the AutoSparge and set Pump 1 to on. Adjust the flow to the desired flow rate. In this configuration, the flow rate shown on the flow meter will be determined by the valve on Pump 2.

### 4. Boil and Whirlpool



- 1. Boil the wort and add desired ingredients
- 2. Connect hoses as shown for Whirlpool and recirculate as desired.

### 5. Chill Wort and Transfer



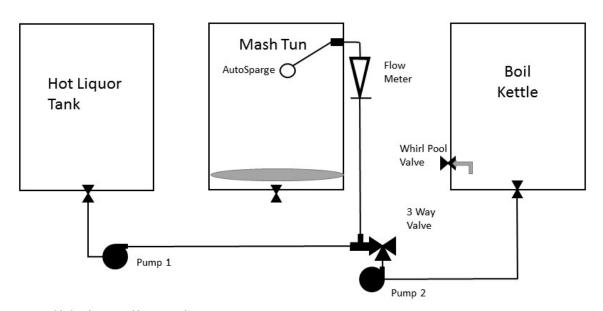
Pump 2

- 1. Connect hose as show for chilling.
- Turn on cold water supply and begin pumping wort through the heat exchanger.
- Monitor the temperature on the ThruMometer and adjust flow as required. Decrease wort flow to lower the temperature or decrease water flow to increase the temperature.

### 3 Vessel Single Infusion (1 BBI)

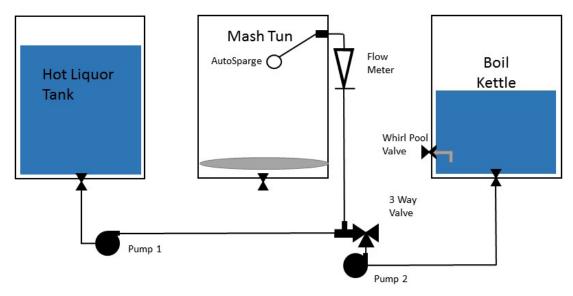


### Plumbing and Hardware Schematic: 3 Vessel, RIMS



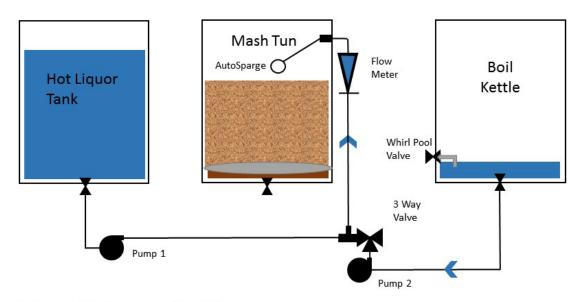
1. Assemble hardware and hoses as shown

### Step One: Heat Brewing Water



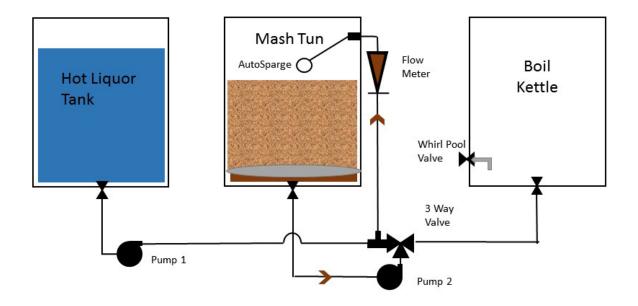
- Fill the tanks and set the Hot Liquor Tank to Auto at the desired temperature. Heat the Strike Water in the Boil Kettle to the desired temperature
- 2. The pumps will remain off during this time.

### Step Two: Transfer Strike Water and Dough-In



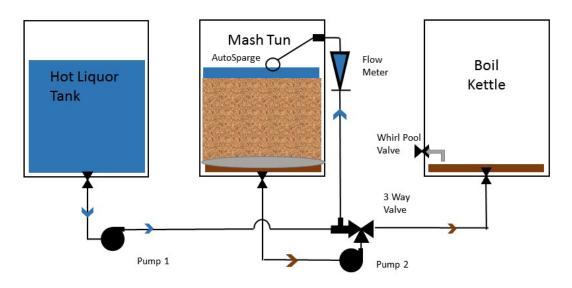
- 1. Set the Boil Kettle Controller to Reset/Off.
- 2. Set Pump 2 to ON and Dough-In
- 3. Continue to Heat the HLT

### Step Three: Recirculate and Prepare to Sparge



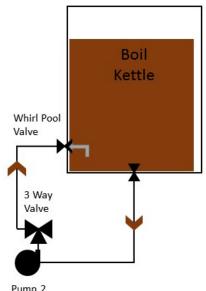
- 1. Configure the hoses as shown.
- Switch Pump 2 to on and adjust flow as required. Re-Circulate Wort until desired result is achieved.

Step Four: Sparge



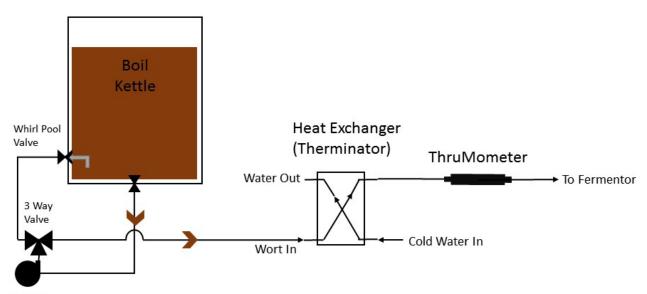
- 1. With the linear flow valve on Pump 2, set the desired flow rate.
- 2. Adjust the AutoSparge to shut off at the desired level.
- 3. Rotate the handle on the 3-Way Valve to direct wort flow to the Boil kettle.
- 4. Switch Pump 2 to on with the valve wide open. The AutoSparge will decrease the flow as required.

### Step Five: Boil and Whirlpool



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- 1. Boil the wort and add desired ingredients
- 2. Connect hoses as shown for Whirlpool and recirculate as desired.

Step Six: Chill Wort and Transfer

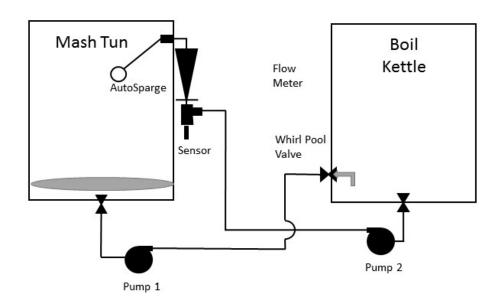


- Pump 2
- 1. Connect hose as show for chilling.
- Turn on cold water supply and begin pumping wort through the heat exchanger.
- Monitor the temperature on the ThruMometer and adjust flow as required. Decrease wort flow to lower the temperature or decrease water flow to increase the temperature.

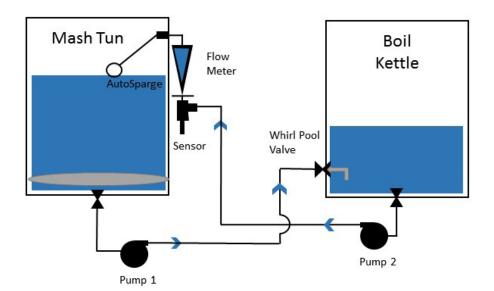
### Horizontal BrewEasy™ (20 gal - 1 BBl)



Plumbing and Hardware Schematic: 2 Vessel, BrewEasy

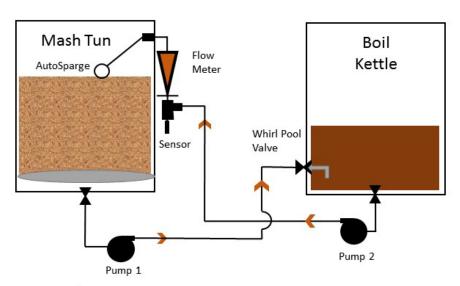


### Step One: Heat Brewing Water



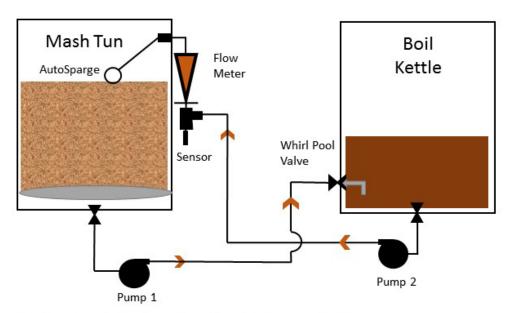
- 1. Set the Controller to Auto at the desired temperature.
- 2. Adjust AutoSparge to the appropriate level. Pump 2 is set to on.
- Set Pump 1 to on. Ensure the BoilCoils are completely covered while heating

### Step Two: Add Grain and Recirculate



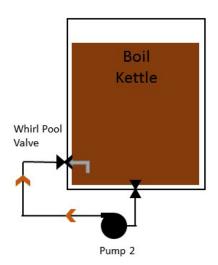
- 1. Set controler to Reset or OFF
- Set Pump 1 and Pump 2 to off, close the valve on Pump 1, and add the grain to the Mash Tun (Dough in)
- Stir well and let the grain set for 10 minutes before setting Pump 2 to on. Adjust the AutoSparge as required, set Pump 1 to on, and adjust the flow rate of the system with the valve located on Pump 1.
- Set the controller to the desired Mash temperature and perform step mashing techniques as desired. Always set heat to off before setting Pump 1 or Pump 2 to off.

### Step Three: Sparge



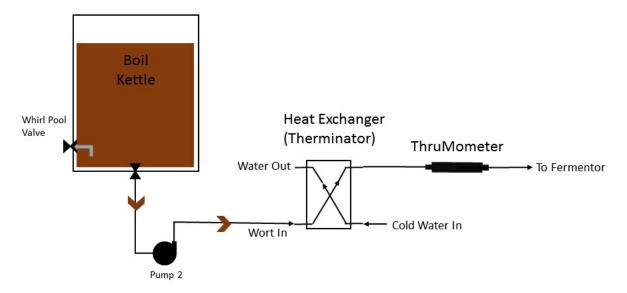
- 1. Close the valve located on Pump 2 and set the pump to off.
- 2. Set the Controller to On.
- 3. Pump all of the wort from the Mash Tun into the Boil Kettle.
- 4. Boil the Wort as required

### Step Four: Boil and WhirlPool



- 1. Close all the valves and re-configure the hoses as shown.
- 2. WhirlPool as desired.

Step Five: Chill Wort and Transfer



- 1. Connect hose as show for chilling.
- Turn on cold water supply and begin pumping wort through the heat exchanger.
- Monitor the temperature on the ThruMometer and adjust flow as required. Decrease wort flow to lower the temperature or decrease water flow to increase the wort temperature.

#### **Blichmann Engineering Product Warranty**

#### A. Limited Warranty

- 1. Blichmann Engineering warrants to the original purchaser that this product will be free from manufacturing defects in material and workmanship for a period of one (1) year from the date of purchase by the customer. Proof of purchase is required. Blichmann Engineering's obligation to repair or replace defective materials or workmanship is the sole obligation of Blichmann Engineering under this limited warranty.
- 2. This product is for home use only. The limited warranty covers only those defects that arise as a result of normal use of the product and does not cover any other problems, including, but not limited to, those that arise as a result of:
  - a. Improper maintenance or modification;
  - b. Damage due to incorrect voltage or improper wiring by customer;
  - c. Operation outside of the product's specifications;
  - d. Carelessness or neglect to operate the product in accordance with instructions provided with the product;
  - e. Damaging the tamper label on the product;
  - f. Damage by over-tightening the fasteners;
  - g. Failure to follow cleaning and / or maintenance procedures; or
  - h. Exceeding published operational temperatures.
- 3. Blichmann Engineering reserves the right to request delivery of the defective component for inspection before processing the warranty claim. If Blichmann Engineering receives, during the applicable warranty period, notice of a defect in any component that is covered by the warranty, Blichmann Engineering shall either repair or replace the defective component with a new or rebuilt component at Blichmann Engineering's option.
- 4. Blichmann Engineering must be notified within seven (7) days of the delivery date of any shipping damage. Customer is responsible for shipping damage outside of this time period. Approval for return must be provided by Blichmann Engineering prior to any return. Customer is responsible for keeping all original packaging material for warranty returns. Blichmann Engineering is not responsible for damage from improperly packaged warranty returns, and these repair costs will be the sole responsibility of the customer. Shipping costs for warrantee returns are covered only for the contiguous United States.
- 5. Blichmann Engineering's limited warranty is valid in any country where the product is distributed.

#### **B. Limitations of Warranty**

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#### C. Limitations of Liability

- 1. The remedies provided in this warranty are the customer's sole and exclusive remedies.
- 2. Except for the obligations specifically set forth in this warranty, in no event shall Blichmann Engineering be liable for direct, indirect, special, incidental, or consequential damages, whether based on contract, tort, or any other legal theory and whether or not advised of the possibility of such damages.
- 3. This warranty does not cover, and in no event shall Blichmann Engineering be liable for, travel, lodging, or any other expense incurred due to manufacturing defects in material and workmanship, or any other reason.
- 4. Any performance of repairs after the warranty coverage period has expired or performance of repairs regarding anything excluded from coverage after this limited warranty shall be considered good-will repairs and they will not alter the terms of this limited warranty, or extend any warranty coverage period.
- 5. Venue for any legal proceedings relating to or arising out of this warranty shall be in Tippecanoe County, Indiana, United States, which courts will have exclusive jurisdiction.

#### D. Local Law

- 1. This warranty gives the customer specific legal rights. The customer may also have other rights that vary from state to state in the United States or other countries.
- 2. To the extent that this warranty is inconsistent with local law, it shall be deemed modified, only to the extent necessary to be consistent with such local law.

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