## USER MANUAL

## Dryden Aqua Generator

## 1. DESCRIPTION

The DA-GEN ${ }^{\otimes}$ is an innovative water treatment system and additional an intelligent pool controller. The DAGEN ${ }^{\circledR}$ combines Hydrolysis with Electrolysis with a low mineral content.
The Hydrolysis produces free radicals and other oxygen compounds like ozone, peroxide and persulfate. All these oxidants destroy organic substances and pathogens in the water. Free radicals are the strongest oxidants we know. They oxidise and decompose in a few seconds. To guarantee a safe residual disinfection the DA-GEN® produces a very small amount of chlorine. In combination with Dryden DAISY® we need a very low mineral content of 1 to $2 \mathrm{~kg} \mathrm{MgCl}_{2}$ or NaCl per $\mathrm{m}^{3}$.
The DA-GEN ${ }^{\text {® }}$ also controls all your pool equipment centrally. Thanks to Wifi you can check and control your pool system 24/7.



TOUCH SCREEN


## 5. INITIAL WATER ADJUSTMENTS

## Water adjustments

1 Adjust the alkalinity between 100 and 200 ppm.
2 Adjust the pH to 7.5.
(3) Adjust the chlorine between 0.1 and 0.5 ppm.
Attention: Let the system run 24 hours before
calibrating and make sure to have a free
chlorine level of at least 0.3 ppm !

## Adding activator/salt to the water

1 We recommend to add 1 to 2 kg of magnesium chloride $\left(\mathrm{MgCl}_{2}\right)$ or normal salt $(\mathrm{NaCl})$ per $\mathrm{m}^{3}$ of water. The TDS should be at around 1200ppm. It is recommended to mix them, for example in a ratio of $1: 1$ to $1: 3\left(\mathrm{MgCl}_{2}: \mathrm{NaCl}\right)$.
2 Add the magnesium chloride or salt directly to your swimming pool and let the system run.

In outdoor pools it is necessary to use ACO .


## 8. SUCTION LANCE (pH BOTTLE)

Connect the suction lance. The installer/provider should be contacted to activate the sensor.

## 9. HYDROLYSIS


9.1 Hydrolysis: Programming of hydrolysis functions

9.2 Level:

Hydrolysis - Desired disinfection production (Always 100\%). Boost has no effect, leave as off.

9.3 Mode: If the device has Free Chlorine and redox probes, choose the parameter that controls the cell's chlorine generation.

## 10. MEASUREMENTS




The redox value shows the oxidation/reduction potential and is used to determine the sterility of the water. Adjusting the ideal redox level (setpoint) is the last step in the system start up sequence.


Attention: Use only gold redox probes!

### 10.5 Conductivity calibration

## Optional Conductivity probe

Metering and control of the conductivity of the water in $\mu \mathrm{S}$



Check if the chip
is plugged in
correctly and if
the green LED is
blinking
(CD label on the left side)
1000 TDS $\approx 1800 \mu \mathrm{~S}$



### 12.1 Manual mode



Setup and connection of a Variable Speed Pump, see section 11 - Variable Speed Pump



## Only with an external pump controller unit

12.11 Filtration:

Configuration control of the filter pump. To set, select Filtration and confirm by pressing OK. The mode selection is done in Mode line with the plus/minus keys.

### 12.12 Manual:

Manually turns ON/OFF the filtration process. No timing or additional functions. The State (Status) line indicates whether the filtration pump is $\mathbf{O N}$.

Filter Cleaning: See chapter 13

### 12.2 Automatic mode

Without an external pump controller unit

12.21 Automatic

In this mode the filtration is controlled by up to 3 timers.
We highly recommend to run your system in a $24 / 7$ mode with a variable speed pump.
For example: During the night time (6:00 until 24:00 \& 0:00 until 10:00) in low speed, during day time (10:00 until 6:00) in medium speed.
To set the ON/OFF times select with the up/down keys in the timer line you want to change (1-3).
The plus/minus keys open the selected start time field. Set the time with plus/minus keys. Scroll with the up key to the minute field and set it up with plus/minus keys. To confirm press OK and to cancel press return/escape.

Backwash: See chapter 13


## 13. AUTOMATIC BACKWASH


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13.1 Backwash Mode with Besgo Valve: The DA-GEN is configured for automatic backwash with Besgo. Use AUX 2!

- Mode: Choose Auto
- Start: Choose starting time
- Interval: Set backwash time in seconds (Recommendation: min. 240 seconds with AFM ${ }^{\circledR}$, min. 300 seconds with Sand)
- Freq.: Choose frequency (at least weekly)



Installation Advice－Connecting the WIFI to the DA－GEN
Open the WIFI box and unscrew the cabels in the box．Put the cable through the cable hole at the DA－GEN controller box and plug it in．Connect the cable then again in the WIFI box and close it Do not remove the cables from the plug！

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15．1 Internet：Once the WiFi module is connected，restart the unit．The internet option will appear in the settings menu． 15．2 WiFi：Select WiFi to scan the available networks accessible to the module．The search will be done automatically． 15．3 Select the desired network accessible to the WiFi module．
15．4 Enter the password in the pop－up keyboard．Scroll up and down with the up／down keys and left to right with the plus／minus keys．To select a letter press OK．
15．5 Enter AP：If you do not find your Network in the automatic mode，then you can enter the network name manually． Check first if the network works on other devices
15．6 Status：Check the status of your connection
15．7 Test connection：Check if your connection has been successfully established．

Once the WiFi module is connected to the network with both lights $\mathbf{O N}$ ，enter in www．DA－GEN．com．Access the Register option and enter all the data requested．

15．10－15．13 The system node ID that you will need for the registration progress is located under System settings $>$ System info $>$ Power module

Upon completion of the process，you will have total control of your pool，will be able change parameters such as setpoints，filtration hours and turn ON／OFF any auxiliary relays．

Attention：If the DA－GEN was once registered at vistapool．com it needs to be removed there by the manufacturer before you can register it at DA－GEN．com．Please contact your dealer．
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## 17．COVER

17．1 Cover：If the DA－GEN is runned with a frequency controlled pump and if it is connected to the pool cover，the filtration speed will automaticly go to «medium» when the cover is opened．（Please check the filtration speed in Chapter E）．Set the Reduction value to 0\％！

How to install：If the cover is open，the contact has to be closed and vice versa

## 18. AUXILIARY RELAYS



## 19. MAINTENANCE

## Monthly checks

SALT CONCENTRATION:

## ~1200 ppm TDS

$\sim 2000 \mu \mathrm{~S} / \mathrm{cm}$
HYDROLYSIS CELL: Visual inspection to detect incrustations.

Cleaning the Cell
If necessary, carry out a monthly visual inspection. To clean the cell:
1 Stop the system and close the valves
2 Place the cell for no more than 10 min. in $3 \%$ hydrochloric acid or put it for 2 to 4 hrs in normal vinegar or take a high pressure cleaner.
3 Once the incrustations have softened remove with a hose to complete cleaning the cell.
DO NOT USE METALLIC OR SHARP OBJECTS TO REMOVE INCRUSTATIONS. Scratching the edges or surface of the cell will make it vulnerable to chemicals, deteriorate the cell and invalidate the guarantee.

## General maintenance

1 The pool must be vacuumed as usual and the skimmers emptied whenever necessary.
2 FILTER BACKWASHING: At least once every week for 4 to 5 minutes.
VERY IMPORTANT: Make sure the cell is off while cleaning the filter. If the system controls the filtration pump, use the option "backwash" of the programmed filtration mode. See chapter 13 - automatic backwash

3 Check regularly the level of your pH and APF® $^{\oplus}$ bottle to prevent the dosing pump from running dry.
4 pH / Redox / Conductivity - probes: The probes must be cleaned and recalibrated every 2 to 3 months. To clean the probe insert in electrode cleaner. After each clean the probes must be re-calibrated.
Attention: the probes should never dry out and must be kept wet if stored (when emptying the pool for winterising, make sure to store the probe head in water).

## 20. TROUBLESHOOTING

## Blank display

- Check if ON/OFF switch is illuminated.
- Check the connection wire between display and motherboard.
- Check the 3.15 A fuse of the device - it could have tripped due to overload.
- Check the power supply $-230 \mathrm{~V} / 50 \mathrm{~Hz}$.
- If the problem persists contact TECHNICAL SERVICE


## Hydrolysis does not reach the setpoint value

- Attention: At 1200 TDS, $50-80 \%$ and the warning "LOW" is normal
- Low water temperature.
- Check the salt concentration (TDS) in water.
- Check the cell status (it may be incrusted or calcified).
- Clean the cell according to the instructions in section 19.
- Check that the cell is not worn out (remember that the cell is guaranteed for 5,000 hours, approx. 2-3 years of summer usage).


## Free chlorine level doesn't reach the setpoint

- Increase the filtration hours to 24 hours
- Increase the hydrolysis level (to 100\%).
- Increase the salt concentraion (TDS) in the water. Setpoint app. 1200 ppm.
- In an outdoor pool: Add ACO ${ }^{\circledR}$ to the water.
- Check if the reagents in test kit are in date.
- Check if the temperature or number of users has risen.
- If you want a higher chlorine level you have to increase the salt concentration. Attention: Higher risk of corrosion!


## Excess of chlorine in the water

- Lower hydrolysis cell intensity
- If your system includes automatic Redox control, check the Redox setpoint value. Reduce it by 50 to 100 mV .
- If your system includes free chlorine measurment, adjust the setpoint value.
- Check redox probe and calibrate it if necessary.
- Check the free chlorine probe and calibrate it.


## Cell incrusted in less than 1 month

- Very hard waters with a high pH and total alkalinity: balance water adjusting pH and total alkalinity.
- Check to ensure that the system automatically changes polarity approximately every 300 minutes.
- Consult with our technical service to consider accelerating the polarity change (auto-cleaning). WARNING: Accelerating the polarity change decreases the cell life ( 5,000 hours) proportionally. Don't go below 200 minutes!
- If the crust is not foaming when in contact with acid, it might be Struvite. In this case do not use anymore $\mathrm{MgCl}_{2}$, use only NaCl .


## Alarm AL3 and pH dosing pump stopped

- The maximum dosing time (standard 999 min.) is accomplished and the pH Minus dosing pump stops in order to avoid the acidification of the water.
- Delete the message and restart the metering. Do the following verifications in order to preclude errors on the device: Verify if the pH probe reading is correct (if not, calibrate the probe or substitute it with a new one); Verify if the acid/base reservoir is full and if the dosing pump is working correctly; Verify the variable speed of the dosing pump.


## Rust on metallic components in the pool

 solve the problem.

- Rusted components are not stainless steel (minimum 316/V4A/1.4571).
- The salt concentration (TDS) is too high.
- Attention Stainless Steel parts must be cleaned regularly


## Polarity 1 reaches maximum intensity, but polarity 2 (auto clean) does not reach maximum intensity

- If the salt concentration is correct $\left(1-2 \mathrm{~kg} / \mathrm{m}^{3} \mathrm{MgCl}_{2}\right.$ or $\left.0.75-1.5 \mathrm{~kg} / \mathrm{m}^{3} \mathrm{NaCl}\right)$ : The cell is reaching its end of life. As of this moment check the intensity every $15-20$ days.
- When polarity 2 does not reach intensity of Polarity 1 , we recommend substituting the cell for a new one if it happens during the summer period. If it happens during winter, change the cell before the next summer period.



## 21. IMPORTANT NOTES

## WARNING

Keep chemical levels in pool as instructed in this manual.
CLEANING FILTER
Very Important: Make sure the cell is off while cleaning/backwashing the filter. If the system controls the filtration pump, use the option "filter cleaning" of the programmed filtration mode. See section 5 - Filtration / Filter Cleaning of the General Installation Guide.

## VERY IMPORTANT

Remember that the system needs some time to adapt to your pool (up to 14 days)!

## SECURITY

To avoid accidents, children should not handle this product unless supervised by an adult. Children should be supervised at all times when in or near a spa, pool or jacuzzi.

## HANDLING AND DOSING DANGEROUS CHEMICALS

Chemicals should be handled with extreme caution. When preparing acid, always add acid to water, never add water to acid, because very dangerous gases may be produced.

PASSWORD MENU INSTALLER:
ASK YOUR SUPPLIER OR POOL BUILDER


## C) RELAY CONFIGURATION


C. 2 The predefined functions are:*
pH: Acid pH-pump.
Filter: Filtration pump.
Light: Pool lights.
AUX 1: APF ${ }^{\circledR}$
AUX 2: Besgo Valve
AUX 3: ACO ${ }^{\text {® }}$
AUX 4: Heat pump or other heating device.

* Recommended relay settings.

Note: "NO" will deactivate the predefined parameters and leave the relay available.
C. 1 The 7 available relays can be hooked up to various predefined external devices being controlled by the unit.

## D) SERVICE SETTINGS


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D. 2 Parameters related to external devices

D. 2 Setting the polarity times. In the case of high alkalinity, the times in Hydro Pol $1+2$ should be reduced.

## E) TYPE OF PUMP



Consult the wiring-schemata in the appendix!
E. 3 Variable Speed Pump A (Hayward ${ }^{\circledR}$ or similar): During the filtration periods, the corresponding relay closes. The filtration pump opens and closes contacts depending on the speed:
Common +1 - Slow speed
Common + $1+2$ - Medium speed
Common + $1+2+3$ - Fast speed
Variable Speed Pump A B (Speck ${ }^{\oplus}$ or similar): During the filtration periods, the corresponding relay closes. It's necessary to connect a wire from the filtration relay to the common. The filtration pump opens and closes contacts depending on the speed:
Common + 1 - Slow speed
Common $+2-$ Medium speed
Common + 3 - Fast speed


## G) EXTRA SETTINGS

G. 1

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| 80 Filter pump | Backwash Besgo |
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| \% Master\&Slave | Heat Mod |
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G. 2
G. 2 Gas ( $\mathbf{0}$ ) - The FL1 alarm is only activated by cell's gas sensor (external flow switch annulled).

Siempre ON (1) - The FL1 alarm is never activated (invalidates cell's gas sensor and external flow switch); Paddle (2) - The FL1 alarm is activated by external flow switch (gas sensor annulled).
Paddle or gas (3) - When both cell's gas sensor and external flow switch are connected, and either of them detects lack of flow, The FL1 alarm is activated. To connect the external flow switch use the FL1 terminal
Paddle + Gas (4) - When both cell's gas sensor and external flow switch are connected, and both of them detects lack of flow, The FL1 alarm is activated. To connect the external flow switch use the FL1 terminal
Paddle delay - Delay before FL1 is activated
Relay control through flow detection - Manage the FL1 alarm deactivation in case of lack of flow. Recommended option for floculant dosification or similar.



