850 Series
Installation & Owner’s Manual

Sundance® Spas
Attention New Hot Tub Owner!

Congratulations on the purchase of your new Sundance Hot Tub! The following is a list of automated functions performed by your hot tub. These functions are listed below in an attempt to suppress any operational concerns you may have during the first 24-hours of ownership! Also listed below are important maintenance recommendations you should observe on a regular basis to protect your new investment.

Automated Operations

Your new hot tub is equipped with an automated “blow-out” cycle that clears all plumbing lines daily to promote maximum water sanitation. Each day at 12:00 PM (noon), pump 2 and the blower will automatically turn on for a period of one minute, then go off. Then pump 1 will turn on and run for one minute to complete the cycle. Be aware, the factory programmed blow-out cycle cannot be canceled or altered! However, if you set one of four programmable skimming/heating cycles to overlap or start at 12:00 (noon), pump 1 will turn on as programmed and operate for the duration of the programmed cycle, overriding the factory “blow-out” cycle. See page 32 for detailed skimming/heating cycle programming instructions.

Filter Maintenance

Your new hot tub is equipped with an advanced 2-stage MicroClean™ water filtration system that provides unsurpassed water quality! To ensure maximum water quality at all times, you should clean and reuse the larger pleated filter cartridge every month and replace (throw-away) the smaller MicroClean cartridge every 3 months, or as needed. The smaller cartridge is designed as a throw-away cartridge! Attempts to reuse this cartridge will result in the re-release of particles trapped within its fibrous body back into the hot tub. For this reason, always replace it! See page 35-36 for detailed filter replacement instructions.

Water Maintenance

You will want to replace the hot tub’s water every 3 to 6 months. The frequency depends on a number of variables including the frequency of use, number of users, attention paid to water quality maintenance, etc. You will know it is time for a change when you cannot control sudsing and/or you can no longer get the normal feel or sparkle to the water, even though the key water balance measurements are all within the proper parameters. See page 40 for additional information.
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1.0 Important Hot Tub Owner Information

Your Sundance hot tub is constructed to the highest standards and is capable of providing many years of trouble-free use. However, because heat retentive materials are utilized to insulate the hot tub for efficient operation, an uncovered hot tub surface directly exposed to sunlight and high temperatures for an extended period is subject to permanent damage. Damage caused by exposing the hot tub to this abuse is not covered by warranty. We recommend that you always keep the hot tub full of water when it is exposed to direct sunlight and that you keep the Sundance insulating cover in place at all times when the hot tub is not in use. Read and carefully follow the requirements for your hot tub’s support base found in section 3.0 titled, “Locating Your Sundance Hot Tub” (page 8).

Sundance Spas constantly strives to offer the finest hot tubs available, therefore modifications and enhancements may be made which affect the specifications, illustrations and/or instructions contained herein.

FCC Notice

This equipment has been tested and found to comply with the limits for a Class B Digital Device, pursuant to Part 15 of the FCC Rules. These limits are designed to provide reasonable protection against harmful interference in a residential installation. This equipment generates, uses and can radiate radio frequency energy and, if not installed and used in accordance with the instructions, may cause harmful interference to radio communications. However, there is no guarantee that interference will not occur in a particular installation. If this equipment does cause harmful interference to radio or television reception, which can be determined by turning the equipment off and on, the user is encouraged to try to correct the interference by one or more of the following measures: 1) Rearrange or relocate the receiving antenna; 2) Increase the separation between the equipment and receiver; 3) Connect the equipment into an outlet on a circuit different from the circuit connected; 4) Consult the dealer or an experienced radio/TV technician for help. (Changes or modifications not expressly approved by the party responsible for FCC compliance could void the user’s authority to operate this equipment.)
2.0 IMPORTANT SAFETY INSTRUCTIONS

READ AND FOLLOW ALL INSTRUCTIONS CAREFULLY
When installing and using this electrical equipment, basic safety precautions should always be followed, including:

1) **WARNING:** To reduce the risk of injury, do not permit children to use this product unless they are closely supervised at all times.

2) **WARNING:** A grounding wire connector is provided on this unit to connect a minimum No. 8 AWG (8.4 mm²) solid copper conductor between this unit and any metal equipment, metal enclosures of electrical equipment, metal water pipe, or conduit within 5 feet (1.5 m) of the unit.

3) **DANGER:** Risk of Accidental Drowning. Extreme caution must be exercised to prevent unauthorized access by children. To avoid accidents, ensure that children cannot use this hot tub unless they are supervised at all times.

4) **DANGER:** Risk of Injury. The suction fittings in this hot tub are sized to match the specific water flow created by the pump. Should the need arise to replace the suction fittings or the pump, be sure that the flow rates are compatible. Never operate the hot tub if the suction fittings are broken or missing. Never replace a suction fitting with one rated less than the flow rate marked on the original suction fitting.

5) **DANGER:** Risk of Electric Shock. Install at least 5 feet (1.5 m), from all metal surfaces. As an alternative, a hot tub may be installed within 5 feet of metal surfaces if each metal surface is permanently connected (bonded) by a minimum No. 8 AWG (8.4 mm²) solid copper conductor attached to the wire connector on the grounding lug, inside the equipment compartment on the equipment box.

6) **DANGER:** Risk of Electric Shock. Do not permit any electrical appliance, such as a light, telephone, radio, television, etc. within 5 feet of a hot tub unless such appliances are built-in by the manufacturer.

7) **ELECTRICAL SUPPLY:** The electrical supply for this product must include a suitably rated switch or circuit breaker to open all ungrounded supply conductors to comply with section 422-20 of the National Electrical Code, ANSI/NFPA 70. The disconnect must be readily accessible and visible to the hot tub occupant but installed at least 5 feet (1.5 m), from the hot tub water.
8) **WARNING: To Reduce the Risk of Injury:**

a) The water in a hot tub should never exceed 104 °F (40 °C). Water temperatures between 100 °F (38 °C) and 104 °F (40 °C) are considered safe for a healthy adult. Lower water temperatures are recommended for young children and when hot tub use exceeds 10 minutes.

b) Since excessive water temperatures have a high potential for causing fetal damage during the early months of pregnancy, pregnant or possibly pregnant women should limit hot tub water temperatures to 100 °F (38 °C). If pregnant, please consult your physician before using a hot tub.

c) Before entering the hot tub, the user should measure the water temperature with an accurate thermometer since the tolerance of water temperature-regulating devices may vary as much as +/- 5 °F (2 °C).

d) The use of alcohol, drugs, or medication before or during hot tub use may lead to unconsciousness with the possibility of drowning.

e) Persons suffering from obesity or a medical history of heart disease, low or high blood pressure, circulatory system problems, or diabetes should consult a physician before using a hot tub.

f) Persons using medication should consult a physician before using a hot tub since some medication may induce drowsiness, while other medication may affect heart rate, blood pressure, and circulation.

**IMPORTANT CSA SAFETY INSTRUCTIONS (CANADA ONLY)**

When using this electrical equipment, basic safety precautions should always be followed, including the following:

a) **READ AND FOLLOW ALL INSTRUCTIONS.**

b) A green colored terminal or a terminal marked G, Gr, Ground, Grounding or the ⚡ symbol* is located inside the supply terminal box or compartment. To reduce the risk of electric shock, this terminal must be connected to the grounding means provided in the electric supply service panel with a continuous copper wire equivalent in size to the circuit conductors that supply this equipment.

*IEC Publication 417, Symbol 5019.
c) At least two lugs marked “Bonding Lugs” are provided on the external surface or on the inside of the supply terminal box/compartment. To reduce the risk of electric shock, connect the local common bonding grid in the area of the hot tub to these terminals with an insulated or bare copper conductor not smaller than No. 6 AWG.

d) All field-installed metal components such as rails, ladders, drains or other similar hardware within 10 feet (3m) of the hot tub shall be bonded to the equipment grounding buss with copper conductors not smaller than No. 6 AWG.

e) SAVE THESE INSTRUCTIONS.

WARNING: Children should not use hot tubs without adult supervision.

AVERTISSEMENT: NE PAS LAISSER LES ENFANTS UTILISER LA CUVE DE RELAXATION SANS SURVEILLANCE.

WARNING: Do not use hot tubs unless all suction covers are installed to prevent body and hair entrapment.

AVERTISSEMENT: NE PAS UTILISER LA CUVE DE RELAXATION SI LES GRILLES DE PRISE D’ASPIRATION NE SONT PAS TOUTES EN PLACE, POUR EVITER QUE LES CHEVEUX OU UNE PARTIE DU CORPS SOIENT ASPIRES.

WARNING: People with infectious diseases should not use a hot tub.

AVERTISSEMENT: LES PERSONNES ATTEINTES DE MALADIES INFECTIONNEUSES NE DEVRAIENT PAS UTILISER LA CUVE DE RELAXATION.

WARNING: To avoid injury, exercise care when entering or exiting the hot tub.

AVERTISSEMENT: POUR ÉVITER DES BLESSURES, SOYEZ PRUDENT EN ENTRANT ET SORTANT DE LA CUVE DE RELAXATION.

WARNING: Do not use drugs or alcohol before or during the use of a hot tub to avoid unconsciousness and possible drowning.

AVERTISSEMENT: POUR ÉVITER L’EVANOUISSEMENT ET LA NOYADE EVENTUELLE, NE PRENDRE NI DROGUE NI ALCOOL AVANT D’UTILISER LA CUVE DE RELAXATION NI QUAND ON S’Y TROUVE.
**WARNING:** Pregnant or possibly pregnant women should consult a physician before using a hot tub.

**AVERTISSEMENT:** LES FEMMES ENCEINTES, QUE LEUR GROSSESSE SOIT CONFIRMÉE OU NON, DEVRAIENT CONSULTER UN MéDECIN AVANT D’UTILISER LA CUVE DE RELAXATION.

**WARNING:** Water temperature in excess of 38 °C (104 °F) may be injurious to your health.

**AVERTISSEMENT:** IL PEUT être DANGEREUX POUR LA SANTE DE SE PLONGER DANS DE L’EAU À PLUS DE 38 °C.

**WARNING:** Before entering the hot tub, measure the water temperature with an accurate thermometer.

**AVERTISSEMENT:** AVANT D’UTILISER UNE CUVE DE RELAXATION MESURER LA TEMPERATURE DE L’EAU A L’AIDE D’UN THERMOMETRE PRÉCIS.

**WARNING:** Do not use a hot tub immediately following strenuous exercise.

**AVERTISSEMENT:** NE PAS UTILISER LA CUVE DE RELAXATION IMMÉDIATEMENT APRES UN EXERCICE FATIGANT.

**WARNING:** Prolonged immersion in a hot tub may be injurious to your health.

**AVERTISSEMENT:** RESTER TROP LONGTEMPS DANS LA CUVE DE RELAXATION PEUT ÊTRE DANGEREUX POUR LA SANTE.

**WARNING:** Do not permit electric appliances (such as light, telephone, radio, television, etc.) within 5 feet (1.5m) of this hot tub unless such appliances are built-in by the manufacturer.

**AVERTISSEMENT:** NE PAS PLACER D’APPAREIL ÉLECTRIQUE (LUMIÈRE, TÉLÉPHONE, RADIO, TÉLÉVISEUR, ETC.) A MOINS DE 1.5M DE LA CUVE DE RELAXATION, SAUF SI INSTALLÉ À LA MANUFACTURE.

**CAUTION:** Maintain water chemistry in accordance with manufacturer’s instructions.
ATTENTION: LA TENEUR DE L’EAU EN MATIERES DISSOUTES DOIT ETRE CONFORME AUX DIRECTIVES DU FABRICANT.

WARNING: The use of alcohol or drugs can greatly increase the risk of fatal hyperthermia in hot tubs.

AVERTISSEMENT: LA CONSOMMATION D’ALCOOL OU DE DROGUE AUGMENTE CONSIDERABLEMENT LES RISQUES D’HYPERTHERMIE MORTELLE DANS UNE CUVE DE RELAXATION.

SAVE THESE INSTRUCTIONS

HYPERTHERMIA
Prolonged immersion in hot water may induce hyperthermia. A description of the causes, symptoms, and effects of hyperthermia are as follows:

Hyperthermia occurs when the internal temperature of the body reaches a level several degrees above the normal body temperature of 98.6 °F (37 °C). The symptoms of hyperthermia include drowsiness, lethargy, and an increase in the internal temperature of the body. The effects of hyperthermia include:

a) Unawareness of impending hazard;
b) Failure to perceive heat;
c) Failure to recognize the need to exit hot tub;
d) Physical inability to exit hot tub;
e) Fetal damage in pregnant women; and
f) Unconsciousness and danger of drowning.
CAUTIONS

1. Persons suffering from heart disease, diabetes, high or low blood pressure, and any condition requiring medical treatment, pregnant women, the elderly, or infants should consult with a physician before using a hot tub.

2. The Consumer Products Safety Commission has stated that the water temperature in a hot tub should not exceed 104 °F (40 °C). Immersion in water in excess of 104 °F (40 °C) can be hazardous to your health.

3. Observe a reasonable time limit when using the hot tub. Long exposures at higher temperatures can cause high body temperature. Symptoms may include dizziness, nausea, fainting, drowsiness, and reduced awareness. These effects could possibly result in drowning.

4. Do not use the hot tub under the influence of alcohol, narcotics, or other drugs. Use of the hot tub under these conditions may lead to serious consequences.

5. Always test the hot tub water temperature before entering the hot tub. Enter and exit the hot tub slowly. Wet surfaces can be very slippery.

6. Never bring any electrical appliances into or near the hot tub. Never operate any electrical appliances from inside the hot tub or when you are wet unless such appliances are built-in by the manufacturer.

7. Proper chemical maintenance of hot tub water is necessary to maintain safe water and prevent possible damage to hot tub components.

8. Use the straps and clip tie downs to secure the cover when not in use. This will help to discourage unsupervised children from entering the hot tub and keep the hot tub cover secure in high-wind conditions. There is no representation that the cover, clip tie-downs, or actual locks will prevent access to the hot tub.
3.0 Locating Your Sundance Hot Tub

IMPORTANT: Because of the combined weight of the hot tub, water and users, it is extremely important that the base upon which the hot tub rests be smooth, flat, level and capable of uniformly supporting this weight, without shifting or settling, for the entire time the hot tub is in place. If the hot tub is placed on a surface which does not meet these requirements, damage to the skirt and/or the hot tub shell may result. Damage caused by improper support is not covered under warranty. It is the responsibility of the hot tub owner to assure the integrity of the support at all times.

We recommend a poured, reinforced concrete slab with a minimum thickness of 4 inches (10 cm). Wood decking is also acceptable provided it is constructed so that it meets the requirements outlined above.

The hot tub must be installed in such a manner as to provide drainage away from the hot tub. Placing the hot tub in a depression without provisions for proper drainage could allow rain, overflow and other casual water to flood the equipment and create a wet condition in which it would sit.

For hot tubs which will be recessed into a floor or deck, install so as to permit access to the equipment, either from above or below, for servicing. Make certain that there are no obstructions which would prevent removal of the cabinet side panels, especially on the side with the equipment bay doors.

In selecting the ideal outdoor location for your hot tub, we suggest that you take into consideration 1) the proximity to changing area and shelter (especially in colder weather); 2) the pathway to and from your hot tub (this should be free of debris so that dirt and leaves are not easily tracked into the hot tub); 3) the closeness to trees and shrubbery (remember that leaves and birds could create extra work in keeping the hot tub clean); 4) a sheltered environment (less wind and weather exposure can result in lowered operation and maintenance costs); and 5) the overall enhancement of your environment. It is preferable not to place the hot tub under an unguttered roof overhang since run-off water will shorten the life expectancy of the hot tub cover.

For indoor installations, be certain to make provisions for proper ventilation. When the hot tub is in use, considerable amounts of moisture will escape. This can damage certain surfaces over time.

If you have any questions regarding the placement or installation of your hot tub, consult your authorized Sundance Dealer.
4.0 General Electrical Safety Instructions

Your new Sundance hot tub is equipped with the "state-of-the-art" Sentry™ equipment system. It contains the most advanced safety and self-protective equipment in the industry. Nonetheless, this hot tub must be installed properly to insure dependable usage. Please contact your dealer or local building department should you have any questions regarding your installation.

Proper grounding is extremely important. Sundance hot tubs are equipped with a current collector system. A pressure wire connector is provided on the surface of the control box, located inside the equipment door (Figure B, page 10) to permit connection of a bonding wire between this point and any ground metal equipment, metal water pipe or conduit within 5 feet (1.5 m) of the hot tub, or copper clad grounding rod buried within 5 feet (1.5 m) of the hot tub. Bonding wire must be at least No. 8 AWG (8.4 mm²) solid copper wire. This is a most important safety assurance feature.

Before installing this hot tub, check with the local building department to insure installation conforms to local building codes.
Figure-A
Equipment Area

Note: Pump Locations Vary by Model

1. Sentry Control Box
2. Power Supply Entrance(s)
3. 2-Speed Pump #1
4. Heater
5. Hot Tub Drain
6. Air Blower
7. Pump Drain Plug(s)
8. High Speed Pump #2 (N/A Capri)
9. Circulation Pump
10. Optional Audio System Subwoofer - Behind Bulkhead (Models with Audio Option Only)

Figure-B
Sentry Control Box

1. Terminal Block
2. Bonding Lug
3. Receptacle for Optional Ozone Purification System
4. Grounding Terminal

Figure-C
Terminal Block TB1
240V Wire Connection

- Red (L2)
- Black (L1)
- Green
5.0 Electrical Installation Instructions (240V Service)

**IMPORTANT NOTICE:** The electrical wiring of this hot tub must meet the requirements of the National Electrical Code (NEC) and any applicable state or local codes. The electrical circuit must be installed by a qualified electrician and approved by a local building/electrical inspection authority.

1. This hot tub must be permanently connected (hard-wired) to the power supply. **No plug-in connections or extension cords are to be used in conjunction with the operation of this hot tub.** Supplying power to the hot tub which is not in accordance with these instructions will void both the independent testing agency listing and the manufacturer's warranty.

2. The power supplied to this hot tub must be a dedicated circuit with no other appliances or lights sharing the power provided by the circuit.

3. To determine the current, voltage and wire size required, refer to section 6.0 “Power Requirements” (page 12).
   - Wire size must be appropriate per NEC and/or local codes.
   - We recommend type THHN wire.
   - All wiring must be copper to ensure proper connections. **Do not use aluminum wire.**
   - When using wire larger than #6, add a junction box near the hot tub and reduce to short lengths of #6 wire to connect to the hot tub.

4. The electrical supply for this product must include a suitably rated switch or circuit breaker to open all ungrounded supply conductors to comply with Section 422-20 of the National Electrical Code, ANSI/NFPA 70. The disconnecting means must be readily accessible to the hot tub's occupant but installed at least 5 feet (1.5m) from hot tub water.

5. The electrical circuit supplied for the hot tub must include a suitable ground fault circuit interruptor (GFCI) as required by NEC Article 680-42.

6. To gain access to the hot tub's power terminal block, remove the four screws securing the center cabinet panel on the side of the hot tub under the controls. Then remove the four control box door screws and door (Figure B).
7. Select the power supply entrance you want to use (Figure A, page 10) and remove the short cabinet panel from the front of the hot tub to allow you to feed the cable through to the control box. Install the cable with connector through the large opening provided in the bottom of the control box.

8. Connect wires, color to color, on terminal blocks TB1 and TB3 (Figure C, page 10). TIGHTEN SECURELY! All wires must be hooked up securely or damage could result.

9. Install control box door and screws and reinstall the cabinet side panels.

### 6.0 Power Requirements

Sundance hot tubs are designed to provide optimum performance and flexibility of use when connected to the maximum electrical service as listed below. However, they are shipped configured for the most commonly preferred electrical connection – 50A, 240V*

If you prefer, your Sundance dealer can perform a minor circuit board modification to allow the hot tub to accept different electrical service. The operational considerations of these modifications are listed in the footnotes below.

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#### CAPRI Models

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* In 50A configuration, the heater **will not** operate while both pumps are operating at high speed. Note: pump #2 runs only in high speed.
** In 30A configuration, the heater **will not** operate while either pump is running in high speed or if the air blower is running. Note: pump #2 runs only in high speed.

*** In 60A configuration, the heater **will** operate at the same time as the high speed of both pumps and the air blower. Note: Not applicable for 1-pump Capri models.

### 7.0 Start-Up Instructions
(CAMEO, OPTIMA, ALTAMAR, MARIN AND CAPRI)
FOR BEST RESULTS, READ EACH STEP IN ITS ENTIRETY BEFORE PROCEEDING WITH THAT STEP.

**A. Prepare Hot Tub for Filling**
- Clear all debris from the hot tub. (Although the hot tub shell has been polished at the factory, you may want to treat it with a specially formulated hot tub cleaner. Consult your dealer for additional information prior to filling spa.
- Remove the filter lid (Figure-F, page 17), then remove filter cartridge as illustrated in section 11.1, page 35-36.

**B. Fill Hot Tub**
- Place the end of your garden hose into the empty filter bucket.

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**NOTE:** Never fill with water from a water softener. If your water is extremely “hard”, it is preferable to fill half-way with hard water and the rest of the way with softened water. Or, you may fill entirely with hard water if you use a special water additive available from your Sundance dealer.

- Fill the hot tub until the water level is midway in the filter bucket skimmer opening and above all jets. **Do not overfill.**

**Important:** Always fill your hot tub through the filter bucket after draining. Failure to do so may cause air to be trapped in either pump, preventing the pump from circulating water.
• Remove hose and replace filter cartridge as illustrated in section 11.1, page 36 (Step-G).

C. Turn On Power
Turn on power to hot tub at the home’s circuit breaker. The heater and circulation pump will automatically activate. If the control panel LCD flashes water temperature and “COOL” or “ICE”, the pump 1 will also activate in low speed. If this occurs, refer to page 43 for additional information.

D. Activate Jets
Depress the JETS 1 sensor pad on the control panel twice to activate pump #1 in high speed and initiate maximum water flow to certain jets.

E. Add Start-Up Chemicals
Add the hot tub water chemicals as recommended by your Sundance Dealer. See section titled WATER QUALITY MAINTENANCE (page 40) for general guidance.

F. Set Hot Tub to Heat
To warm hot tub water to a comfortable temperature, follow these steps:
• The LCD display on the control panel displays the actual temperature of the hot tub water. Press either the COOLER (Down) or WARMER (Up) sensor pad once to display the “set temperature” for 5 seconds. If you want the water to heat to a different temperature, simply press COOLER (Down) or WARMER (Up) within 5 seconds. The set temperature advances or decreases by one degree each time one of these sensor pads is pressed.
• The heater will turn off when the temperature corresponding to the thermostat setting is achieved.

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<td>• The maximum temperature for which the hot tub can be set is 104 °F (40 °C) and the minimum is 80 °F (27 °C).</td>
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<td>• If hot tub is hooked to a 30 amp service - turn off all high speed pumps and blower to operate heater. Note: pump #2 runs only in high speed.</td>
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<td>• Setting the thermostat at maximum will not accelerate the heating process. This will only result in a higher ultimate temperature.</td>
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<td>• The heater operates until the water reaches the programmed “set temperature”, then turns off. The heater will reactivate after the water cools to approximately 1.5° below the “set temperature.”</td>
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G. Place Cover On Hot Tub

• Keeping the insulating cover in place anytime the hot tub is not in use will reduce the time required for heating, thereby minimizing operating costs.
• The time required for initial heat-up will vary depending on the starting water temperature and the capacity of your hot tub. Smaller hot tubs heat at a rate of approximately 8 to 10 degrees per hour; larger hot tubs heat at about 4 to 6 degrees per hour.

DANGER. RISK OF INJURY. ALWAYS CHECK WATER TEMPERATURE CAREFULLY BEFORE ENTERING HOT TUB.

8.0 Operating Instructions

Your Sundance hot tub has a touch-sensitive control panel, massage selector valves and air controls located on the top rim of the hot tub (Figure-F, page 17). These controls let you operate many of the special functions of your Sundance hot tub. By familiarizing yourself with the following information, you will be able to gain the full benefit afforded by the various functions of your hot tub.

8.1 View

Pressing this sensor pad inverts the main four-digit display on the Command Center’s LCD screen to allow easy reading from either inside or outside the hot tub.

8.2 Light

The LIGHT sensor pad activates both the underwater light and the light symbol on the LCD screen when touched. To reduce the brightness of the light, touch the sensor pad again. A third touch will result in an even lower level of illumination. A fourth touch turns the light off. If left on, the light will automatically turn off after one hour.

There are two colored lenses included with your hot tub which may be placed over the light lens inside the hot tub. To remove a lens, pull straight out. To install a lens, align tabs and push straight in. Your hot tub comes with a clear lens installed.

The optional SunGlow™ Multi-Colored LED Light Kit (#6560-240) can retrofit the factory installed spa light. This option offers 6 light colors and a unique random mode for enhanced spa enjoyment. Consult your Sundance Dealer for additional information.
Select Cycle Mode Display
Indicates panel, set temperature or skimming/heating cycle programming locked.
Indicates heater is on. (page 14).
Indicates optional SunZone ozone generator is on (page 41).
Indicates skimming/heating cycle in progress or displays cycle programming features (page 32).
Indicates high-speed pump #2 is on (Cameo, Optima and Altamar only).
Inverts the main 4-digit display.
Controls the hot tub light (bright, dim, dimmer, off).
Controls the air blower.
Controls 2-speed pump #1 (Lo, Hi, Off).
Controls high-speed pump #2 (N/A Capri).
Displays time of day and initiates time setting and locking functions.
Scrolls menu through skimming/heating cycle programming features.
Accesses skimming/heating cycle program mode and advances display to next cycle.
Switches between standard and economy skimming/heating modes. (page 30-31).
These display temperature setting and increase or decrease temperature setting and other programmable features.
These characters identify what is being shown on the main 4-digit display.
Indicates programmed filter cleaning interval has elapsed (page 33).
Indicates air injector system is on.
Indicates hot tub light is on (changes according to brightness selected).
Indicates operating mode selected (page 31).
1. Control Panel
2. Air Controls (See Page 18-20 for Operation Details).
3. Filter Lid
4. Massage Selector Valve #1 (See Page 18-20 for Operation Details)
5. Whirlpool Jets (N/A Capri)
6. Therapy Jets (Fluidix Intelli-Jets)
7. Massage Selector Valve #2 - N/A Capri (See Page 18-20 for Operation Details)
8. Auxiliary Control Panel (Cameo, Optima and Altamar Only)
9. Therapy Seat
10. Air Injectors
11. Hot Tub Light
12. Fragrance Dispenser
13. Vertical Jets
14. Footwell Suction Fittings and Filters (Filters protect diverter valve from debris entrapment/damage. Filters require periodic cleaning)
15. Optional Audio System Speakers (2 places)
16. Optional Audio System Receiver

(Location of features varies by model)
8.3 Jet/Air Controls Diagram
(Optima & Cameo Models)

**OPTIMA**

*Massage Selector Operation*
Rotate Massage Selectors 1 & 2 to Divert Water Between Designated Jet Groups.

 Massage Selector #1 Controls Pump 1
Massage Selector #2 Controls Pump 2

**CAMEO**

*Massage Selector Operation*
Rotate Massage Selectors 1 & 2 to Divert Water Between Designated Jet Groups.

 Massage Selector #1 Controls Pump 1
Massage Selector #2 Controls Pump 2

*Air Control Operation*
Rotate Air Controls 1-5 to Add Air to Designated Jet Groups.
8.4 Jet/Air Controls Diagram
(Altamar & Marin Models)

**ALTAMAR**

**Massage Selector Operation**
Rotate Massage Selectors 1 to Divert Water Between Designated Jet Groups.

Massage Selector #1 Controls Pump 2. 
Pump 1 Supplies All Unmarked Jets

**Air Control Operation**
Rotate Air Controls 1-5 to Add Air to Designated Jet Groups.

**MARIN**

**Massage Selector Operation**
Rotate Massage Selectors 1 to Divert Water Between Designated Jet Groups.

Massage Selector #1 Controls Pump 2. 
Pump 1 Supplies All Unmarked Jets

**Air Control Operation**
Rotate Air Controls 1-5 to Add Air to Designated Jet Groups.
8.5 Jet/Air Controls Diagram
(Capri Models)

CAPRI
Massage Selector Operation
Rotate Massage Selector 1 to Divert
Water Between Designated Jet Groups.

Air Control Operation
Rotate Air Controls 1-3 to Add
Air to Designated Jet Groups.
8.6 Air Injection
When the AIR sensor pad is pressed, the air blower forces air through the injectors located in the seats and footwell. The bubbles symbol above the sensor pad appears on the LCD whenever the air blower is on. An electronic timer automatically turns the air blower off 20 minutes after it was turned on. Note: The air blower automatically activates for 1 minute at the start of the clean-up cycle at 12:00 (Noon). This clears the lines of the air injector system to help ensure that all water is exposed to sanitizer. This cycle is non-programmable.

8.7 Jets 1 - The sensor pad labeled JETS 1 controls the 2-speed pump #1. Pressing this sensor cycles pump #1 from off, to low speed, to high speed, and back to off.

8.8 Jets 2 - On models with two jet pumps, JETS 2 controls the high-speed pump #2.

Auto Turn Off — Anytime a pump has been manually turned on, it will automatically turn off after approximately 20 minutes. If at this time you desire more jet operation you may simply turn the pump(s) back on.

8.9 Selecting The Desired Massage Action
Your Sundance spa is equipped to allow you to customize the massage action you desire. Each model incorporates a massage selector(s) that allow you to customize the massage and performance by diverting water between various jet systems. Simply turn massage selector to position A (Combo), B, or C to divert water pressure to various jet groups. Note: The valve is designed to operate in positions A (Combo), B, and C for optimum performance. It is considered normal for sound levels within the valve to vary between positions due to the large amounts of water flowing through it! For optimum filtration benefits, leave the valve in position A when spa is covered. Select position B or C for maximum jet performance during spa use. Note: the footwell suction filters in your hot tub (page 17) protect the diverter valve from debris entrapment/damage.

In the Optima, Cameo and Marin, one massage selector controls the therapy jets and whirlpool jets. The other massage selector controls the therapy seat jets and vertical jets (foot jets).
In the Altamar, the massage selector on the high-speed pump #2 system diverts between the therapy seat and the whirlpool jets (in the footwell and on the side wall). The 2-speed pump #1 system powers the therapy jets in the lounge and seats of the hot tub.

8.10 Adjusting Fluidix Intelli-jets
The Fluidix Intelli-jets in your new spa offer the advantage of no moving parts and zero maintenance. They can also be adjusted for a high and low impact massage, providing the ultimate massage! Each jet has its own water volume and directional or oscillating flow adjustment. The jet’s outer dial controls water volume (flow rate) and its center “mode disk” selects either an oscillating or directional flow massage.

To Adjust Jets
1. Turn outer dial (A) clockwise to increase water volume. Turn outer dial counterclockwise to decrease water volume or to shut jet off.
2. Rotate center “mode disk” (B) clockwise to select a non-oscillating water stream or turn counterclockwise to select an oscillating stream at any angle.
3. For a high impact massage, turn corresponding air control knob clockwise. For low impact massage, turn corresponding air control knob counterclockwise. Refer to sections 8.3-8.5 (page 18-20) for specific operation details for your spa.

Note: Always keep at least 6 adjustable jets open at all times on each jet system.

8.11 Air Controls
Each jet system has its own air control. These controls allow you to regulate the amount of air which is mixed with the water entering through the jets. Clockwise rotation adds more air and counterclockwise rotation reduces air flow. To minimize heat loss, these controls should be closed when the hot tub is not in use.

8.12 Fragrance Dispenser
On the rim of your hot tub is a screw-off cap labeled “SunScents Fragrance Dispenser” (Figure-F, Page 17). It is designed to contain packages of a specially
made fragrance available from your Sundance dealer. The fragrance is carried into the hot tub water by the air coming through the injector system when the air blower is on.

**WARNING** To prevent personal injury, always turn off air blower before removing or installing SunScents dispenser cap.

**CAUTION:** Use Only Sundance SunScents™ Fragrances in your new hot tub. Never remove the SunScents™ beads from their plastic cage for any reason. Install bead cage directly into SunScents™ dispenser. Never use this dispenser for any other type of fragrance. Always make certain that the dispenser cap is securely in place before operating the hot tub's air blower.

### 8.13 Optional SunSound™ Audio System

Sundance models with the optional audio system offer enhanced spa enjoyment by offering an integrated state-of-the-art audio system. These models include a high-quality AM/FM/CD splash-resistant marine stereo receiver, two high-quality marine speakers, and an integrated subwoofer for long-life and an excellent sound quality. Two speakers located on spa corners (Figure-F, page 17) are designed for manual extension and retraction. To expose each speaker for audio playback, simply press download on each enclosure to unlatch its “pop-up” mechanism, then release. To retract each speaker before covering spa, gently press downward on each enclosure until you feel a slight “click”, then release.

**CAUTION:** Never step or sit on a speaker enclosure! This type of misuse will damage the speaker enclosure latching and track mechanism. Always retract speakers prior to covering spa.
Optional SunSound™ Stereo Receiver Features

Optional SunSound™ Stereo Receiver General Controls

A. Power On and Off
Make spa power is turned on, then press power button (3) once to turn on. Press a second time to turn off.

B. Adjusting Volume
Rotate volume knob (1) to increase or decrease volume. Current volume setting is briefly indicated on the display (0 to 31).

C. Mute
Press mute button (2) once to mute audio output ("Mute" flashes on display). To restore audio output, press mute button a second time, or rotate volume knob.

D. Program Selection
Press source button (4) to cycle through available program sources as follows: Tuner - CD - Tuner. If a source is unavailable (e.g. no CD inserted), that source will not appear on the display.

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E. Adjusting Bass Level
Press audio button (20) until display reads “BAS.” Rotate volume knob to desired setting. A display of “C O” indicates center, -2 to -12 indicates bass cut, and +2 to +12 indicates bass boost. Note: unit returns to volume mode if volume control is not rotated for 3 seconds.

F. Adjusting Treble Level
Press audio button (20) until display reads “TRE.” Rotate volume knob to desired setting. A display of “C O” indicates center, -2 to -12 indicates treble cut, +2 to +12 indicates treble boost. Note: unit returns to volume mode if volume control is not rotated for 3 seconds.

G. Adjusting Balance
Press the audio button (20) until display indicates “BAL.” Rotate volume knob to desired setting. A display of “C O” indicates center, L1 to 15 indicates left balance, R1 to 15 indicates right balance. Note: unit returns to volume mode if volume control is not rotated for 3 seconds.

Optional SunSound™ Stereo Receiver Radio Operation

A. Adjust Fader
Press audio button (20) until display reads “FAD.” Rotate volume knob to desired setting. A display of “C O” indicates center, “R” 1 to 15 indicates rear fade, “F” 1 to 15 indicates front fade. Note: unit returns to volume mode if volume control is not rotated for 3 seconds.

B. Display Clock
Press set button (9) to toggle display between clock and radio modes. When clock mode is selected, the current time displays whenever the unit is left undisturbed.

C. Set Clock
Press and hold set button (9) for 2 seconds until first time digit flashes on display. Use tune/seek-up button (13) or tune/seen-down button (14) to set hour, noting AM / PM indicator at left. Briefly press set button a second time to select minutes display. Press set button a third time to complete procedure. Unit remains in clock mode and displays time after 3 seconds. Note: When power to spa is shut off for any reason, the clock will be reset to 12:00 AM.
D. Open/Close Front Panel
Place thumb on front panel release button (7) with forefinger below front overhang. Press firmly on release button, then flip panel open by pulling outward at top edge. To close panel, flip panel up and press firmly until you hear an audible click. Keep the front panel closed at all times to prevent water intrusion, except when changing discs. **CAUTION: never insert wet discs into unit or CD player will be damaged!**

E. Radio Operation
Press source button (4) to select radio mode. Station frequency is indicated on display.
- To Select Band: press band button (1 2) to toggle through radio modes as follows: FM1 - FM2 - FM3 - AM1 - AM2 - FM1. Each radio band stores up to 6 independent presets, for a total of 18 FM and 12 AM presets.
- To Program Presets: tune in desired radio station, then press and hold desired preset button for at least 2 seconds. PX", where X=preset number, appears at bottom right of the display. Note: When power to spa is shut off for any reason, all station presets are reset.

F. Automatically Setting Station Presets
To automatically set station presets to their next higher stations, press the preset button (1 to 6) from which to start programming, then press and hold the auto button (16) for at least 2 seconds. The current station preset and additional preset memories up to P6 will be reprogrammed with their next higher tunable stations. When the auto preset cycle is complete, the unit will remain in preset scan mode and continue scanning for presets until the auto button (16) is pressed. To select only the strongest stations, press the local button (10). All 18 FM and 12 AM presets can be set sequentially by selecting the next band and continuing the operation during auto programming.

G. Seek / Manual Tune
Press tune/seek-up button (1 3) once to automatically tune the next higher station. Press tune/seek-down button (14) once to automatically tune the next lower station. To manually tune to a specific station frequency, press and hold either tune/seek button for at least 2 seconds. Holding either button down will increase or decrease the displayed frequency manually. When the desired frequency is reached, release the button. The unit remains in manual tune mode for 3 seconds after either button is released so you can fine tune the station frequency with additional button presses. Note: After 3 seconds, seek mode is re-enabled.
H. Scan Functions
Select any AM or FM band and press scan button (11) to listen to a few seconds of each radio station. The display will flash and the radio will automatically scan to the next higher station, play that station for a few seconds, then scan to the next higher station. To stop scanning and continue listening to the current station, press scan button a second time. Note: the radio remains in scan mode until the scan button is pressed a second time or one of the tune buttons is pressed.

I. Preset Scan Function
Press the auto button (16) once to enter scan mode. The next higher preset station will be selected and be played for 3 seconds while the preset number on the display flashes. If you wish to remain on this station, press the auto button (16) a second time. Note: preset scanning continues unless you press the auto button (16) or either preset button (P1-P6) to cancel.

J. Local/Distance Function
Press the local button (10) to toggle between local and distant station mode. When “LOCAL” is displayed, only the strongest stations will be selected during seek or scan. Note: in the default mode (no LOCAL display), all usable stations will be selected during seek or scan.

K. Changing Tuner Frequency from US to Europe
Your unit is factory set to US tuning frequency steps. To switch to Europe tuning steps, use the switch on the bottom of the unit. With the unit disconnected from the power source, use a screwdriver to slide the switch to the desired position. Note: power must be removed from the radio, or the reset switch must be pressed before the new frequency mode is activated.

Optional SunSound™ Stereo Receiver CD Player Operation

A. Insert, Play, and Eject a CD
Open the front panel and insert a CD into the slot with the CD label facing up. The CD will be drawn inside by the motorized mechanism. Close the front panel. The “DISC IN” symbol on the display indicates that a CD is in the drive.
• To play CD: press the source button (4) to change to CD mode. The CD will play. The display shows the current track and play time, and
will animate a 3-D rotating disc while the CD is playing. Note: if CD play time is not shown, press clock set button (9) once.

- To remove CD: open the front panel and press the CD eject button located under the front panel. Remove CD from drive and close front panel. **CAUTION:** listen for an audible click to ensure the front panel is closed to prevent water intrusion that could damage your unit.

### B. Changing CD Tracks and Music Seek
To advance to the next track, press the tune/seek-up button (13) once and the track counter will increase one track. When the final track is reached on the CD, play will resume on track #1.
- To fast forward through tracks: press and hold the tune/seek-up button (13) until the track counter displays the desired track, then release the button.
- To return to the beginning of the current track: press the tune/seek-down button (14). Pressing it a second time within 1 second will skip back to the previous track.
- To rewind the current track: press and hold the tune/seek-down button (14). The track will quickly rewind until you release the button.

### C. Intro Scan, Random, Repeat
- Intro Scan Mode: press intro button (21) to enter intro scan mode. The left side of the display reads “SCN” and the first 10 seconds of each CD track will play continuously until you press the intro button a second time, or press either tune/seek-up button (13) or tune/seek-down button (14).
- Random Mode: press the random button (19) to play the CD tracks in random order. The left side of the display reads “RDM” when random mode is enabled.
- Repeat Mode: press the repeat button (18) to repeat the current CD track continuously. The left side of the display reads “RPT” when repeat mode is enabled.

### Optional SunSound™ Stereo Receiver Troubleshooting

#### A. Unit will not turn-on
Make sure spa power is turned on, then check both harness fuses on back of unit making sure they are the proper ratings:
- Yellow memory B+ line (1A fuse); Red ACC line (10A fuse).
- With spa power off, use a thin rod to press the reset button located
under the front panel.

B. Fogged CDs and Lens
This condition may occur when it's cold. Wipe fogged CDs with a soft cloth. Fogged optical components inside the unit will return to normal operation after an hour in a heated environment.

Optional Wireless Remote Control
(Purchased Separately)
To ensure maximum life of the optional wireless stereo remote, we recommend never submerging it in water or leaving it under the spa cover! Prolonged exposure to moisture will damage the remote!

Optional Wireless Remote Battery Replacement Procedure
Remove remote from rubber housing, then remove protective adhesive seal from battery door. Depress hook with thumbnail and pull outward on battery door. Replace depleted battery with fresh battery, be sure to note polarity. Install battery door. Replace adhesive seal material, making sure to cover the entire cover gap (additional seal material included, if required). Replace remote firmly into rubber housing.

Wireless Remote Control Specifications
Usable range ................................................................. 15 ft. (5 m)
Battery ....................................................... Coin Type, CR2025 or equivalent

Optional Stereo Receiver Specifications
Tuner
FM usable sensitivity ......................................... 10 dBf
FM 50 dB quieting sensitivity ................................. 15 dBf
FM alternate channel selectivity .............................. 90 dB
FM stereo separation @ 1 kHz .............................. 60 dBf
AM usable sensitivity ............................................. 30 uV

CD Player
Sampling frequency (8X oversampling) ................. 44.1 kHz
Channel separation @ 1 kHz ................................. 80 db
Signal-to-noise ratio .............................................. 90 dBA
Frequency-to-noise response @ ± 1 dB ................. 20-20 kHz
Audio
Maximum power output (45 watts x 4 channel) ............... 180 W
Continuous power, 20-20 kHz, 4 ohms, 1% THD ............... 18 x 4
Bass boost/cut .............................................. -10/100±dB/Hz
Treble boost/cut .......................................... -10/10 +/-dB/kHz

General
Nominal power supply ...................................... 14.4 VDC
Allowable power supply .................................... 10.8-15.6 VDC
Current consumption ....................................... <10 Amp
Speaker impedance .......................................... 4-8 Ohms

9.0 Automatic Filtration Cycles
Your new spa includes a programmable 24-hour circulation pump which filters the water continuously while using less energy than a common 100 watt light bulb! The circulation pump draws water through the smaller MicroClean™ filter cartridge and effectively removes small debris in your spa. Note: the 24-hour circulation pump system also supplies heated water to the spa when the heater turns on. See page 33 for programming details.

The control system activates a programmable “standard” or “economy” skimming/heating cycles to remove larger debris missed by the 24-hour circulation pump filtration system. These cycles utilize pump#1 and the larger filter cartridge end to quickly clear “skim” the water of large debris and minimize their “bath-tub ring” effect. Apart from their skimming benefit, each mode also effects the operation of your spa’s heater. Refer to sections 9.1 and 9.2 below for additional information.

9.1 Standard Skimming/Heating Mode
Standard skimming/ heating mode is typically selected by customers in cold climates where heatup times are extended due to lower ambient temperatures. In this mode, the water temperature is regulated by the set temperature, 24-hour circulation pump, and heater which turns on as needed. After the programmed set temperature is reached, the heater turns off and the circulation pump continues to operate 24-hours to filter and clean your spa (unless programmed otherwise).

9.2 Economy Skimming/Heating Mode
Economy skimming/ heating mode is typically selected by customers in warm climates where heatup times are minimized due to higher ambient temperatures. In this mode, the water temperature is regulated by the set temperature, 24-hour circulation pump, and heater only while a...
programmed skimming/heating cycle is running (unless in summer logic; see note below). Note: this mode consumes less energy than the standard mode outlined above.

9.3 Selecting Standard or Economy Skimming/Heating Mode
Press the MODE button to select either “Standard” or “Economy” skimming/heating mode. The control panel’s indicator on the right side of the LCD changes to indicate which mode is selected. When an automatic skimming/heating cycle activates, the LCD screen displays the following message:

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FILTER CYCLE    ON
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**Summer Logic:** In warm weather, the water temperature in the hot tub may exceed the set temperature. This condition may occur due to heat transfer from the main pump and 24-hour circulation pump. If the water temperature is higher than 95°F (35°C) and rises two degrees above the set temperature, a “Summer Logic” condition occurs that deactivates the circulation pump and ozonator (if equipped). **This safety feature cannot be altered!** The circulation pump and ozonator will remain off until the water temperature cools to the set temperature (except between 12 AM-2 AM when the circulation pumps runs for its mandatory 2-hour “clean-up” cycle). To help prevent a “Summer Logic” condition, it may be necessary to reduce skimming/heating cycle and/or circulation pump run times in warm weather.

9.4 Preset Skimming/Heating Cycles
Your hot tub comes with four 30-minute skimming/heating cycles already programmed in, beginning at 6:00 a.m., noon, 6:00 p.m., and midnight. You can easily change the start time, or the cycle length for any of these cycles to suit your individual needs by following the steps in section 10.2, page 32.

9.5 Clean-Up Cycle
The clean-up cycle is once per day in both Standard and Economy mode at 12:00 PM for two minutes. This is not user programmable. Pump #2 and blower activate for one minute to circulate any water in the plumbing. After 1 minute they both go off and Pump #1 runs for 1 minute. If the skimming/heating cycle is also set at 12:00 PM, pump #1 will continue to run for the duration of the cycle.
10.0 Programming Instructions

10.1 Adjusting Time of Day
The Sentry control system remembers the time of day even in the event of a prolonged power outage. However, it may occasionally be necessary to reset the time of day. For example: if you are not in the Pacific Time Zone you will want to reset the time for your own time zone. (The system will automatically adjust to and from daylight savings time.) To accomplish this, press DISPLAY, MODE and DISPLAY within five seconds each. A number representing the hour will be displayed, followed by AM or PM. The hour will advance or decrease each time UP or DOWN is pressed within five seconds. Then, press DISPLAY again to display the minutes. Adjust the minutes as necessary by pressing UP or DOWN. After 5 seconds, the display will return to normal.

10.2 Changing Skimming/Heating Cycles
The Sentry Control System allows you to easily adjust two separate aspects of each of the skimming/heating cycles (1) the time of day at which each cycle begins, (2) the duration of each cycle.

To make adjustments, first press CYCLE to enter the skimming/heating cycle programming mode. The LCD screen will display the following in the upper right corner: ADJUST START TIME FILTER CYCLE START TIME

This means the system is ready to accept your changes to the start time for skimming/heating cycle number one. Simultaneously, the large four-digit display in the center of the screen displays the currently programmed start time for that cycle. At this point, you have four options. You may:

(1) Press UP or DOWN to adjust the start time in increments of 30 minutes.

(2) Press CYCLE to display and adjust each subsequent skimming/heating cycle start time. With each press, the currently programmed status will be shown in the large four digit display. To adjust any display value, simply press UP or DOWN.

(3) Press SELECT to move down the menu from Start Time to Duration. With each press, the programmed duration will be shown in the large four-digit display. Press UP or DOWN to adjust the duration in increments of 15 minutes.
(4) Press DISPLAY to make the skimming/heating cycle programming characters disappear from the screen and the main display return to showing the water temperature. If no sensor is pressed within 30 seconds, the screen automatically returns to the standard water temperature display.

At any time, you may check the programming of any aspect of any skimming/heating cycle by first pressing CYCLE then moving through the menu by pressing either CYCLE or SELECT. The programming is changed only by pressing UP or DOWN during this process.

10.3 Programming The Change Filter Reminder

Your new spa is equipped with a programmable “Change Filter” reminder that appears on the control panel display after a specified number of days. It is designed to remind you to clean and/or replace your filter cartridge(s) on a regular basis but does not affect spa operation in any way. This reminder must be reset at each filter cleaning interval. It offers a selectable range from 10-120 days or can be disabled. We recommend an initial setting of 30 days, after which you can easily determine whether you need to shorten or lengthen its interval by visually inspecting your filter cartridge. Refer to section 11.1 (page 35) for filter cleaning recommendations.

Programming Instructions

(1) Press the CYCLE sensor six times. The main display reads “FIL” indicating the “Change Filter” display program has been accessed.

(2) Press SELECT sensor once to display currently programmed duration or days elapsed since last filter cleaning interval.

(3) Press UP or DOWN sensor to change duration as follows:
   0 - 10 - 20 - 30 - 40 - 50 - 60 - 70 - 80 - 90 - 100 - 110 - 120 - OFF

(4) Press DISPLAY sensor once to save changes and return to the standard water temperature display. Note: If no sensor is pressed within 30 seconds, the screen will automatically return to the standard water temperature display.

10.4 Programming Circulation Pump Run Time

The Sentry control system allows you to easily adjust two separate aspects of circulation pump operation:
1. The time of day (start time) the circulation pump begins operating.
2. The length of time (duration) the circulation pump operates.

The factory default start time is 12:00AM (Midnight). The default duration is 24 hours. To make adjustments, press the sensor labeled CYCLE five
times to enter the circulation pump programming mode. The LCD screen will display ADJUST Circ. At this time the system is ready to accept your changes.

- Press the SELECT sensor once. The previously programmed start time appears on the LCD display.
- Press UP or DOWN sensors to adjust the start time in 30-minute increments.
- Press the SELECT sensor to program duration.
- Press UP or DOWN sensors to program the duration time in 1 hour increments.
- Press DISPLAY to make the circulation pump programming characters disappear from the screen and the main display return to showing the water temperature. Note: If no sensor is pressed within 30 seconds, the screen will automatically return to the standard water temperature display.

Please Note: The circulation pump automatically activates if the spa requires heat regardless of the programmed start time and duration.

10.5 Locking Skimming/Heating Cycles
You may keep the skimming/heating cycle programs from being inadvertently altered by electronically “locking” them. To accomplish this, simply press CYCLE then, within 30 seconds, press DISPLAY, MODE and UP, within five seconds each. A padlock symbol will appear on the screen. In this state, the status of the cycle programming may be checked, but may not be altered. To unlock the skimming/heating cycle programming to make changes, simply press DISPLAY, MODE and DOWN within five seconds each.

10.6 Panel Lock
To help prevent unauthorized use of your hot tub, the Sentry controls incorporate a unique panel locking system which disables the controls on the panel.

To Lock The Panel: Press the DISPLAY, MODE, and UP sensor pads, in order, within five seconds. A padlock symbol will appear on the LCD screen. With the panel locked, none of the components can be turned on and the only settings that can be adjusted are the standard/economy operating mode and changing the time of day. All automatic hot tub functions will operate normally.
To Unlock The Panel: Press DISPLAY, MODE, and DOWN, in order, within five seconds. The “lock” symbol will disappear. All sensor pads are now active.

10.7 Temperature Setting Lock
To electronically lock the temperature setting, first enter the “temperature setting” mode by pressing UP or DOWN. Then, within five seconds, press the three sensors described under “Panel Lock” above. This will prevent the temperature setting from being changed by unauthorized persons but all other sensors will remain active. To unlock the temperature setting so that it can be adjusted, simply follow the instructions above under “To Unlock The Panel.”

11.0 Hot Tub Maintenance
Proper and regular maintenance of your hot tub will help it retain its beauty and performance. Your authorized Sundance Dealer can supply you with all the information, supplies, and accessory products you will need to accomplish this.

11.1 Cleaning The Filter
A programmable “Change Filter” reminder flashes on the control panel display after a specified number days to remind you to clean (or replace) your filter cartridge(s). This reminder must be reset at each cleaning interval. Refer to section 10.3 (page 33) for additional information and programming details.

Your Sundance hot tub is equipped with an exclusive MicroClean™ 2-stage filter located under the filter lid (Figure-F, Page 17). Fine debris is filtered by the circulation pump drawing water through the smaller (stage 2) cartridge. Larger debris is filtered by the main 2-speed pump drawing water through the larger (stage 1) cartridge during normal operation and at each skimming/heating cycle. Both halves work together to give you unsurpassed water quality! To ensure optimum performance, clean and reuse the stage 1 cartridge once a month and throw-out (replace) the stage 2 cartridge every 3 months, or as needed.

All models include filters on their footwell suction covers (Page 17) that prevent debris from entering pump 2 and the diverter valve, when operating. These filters must remain in place to protect these components from debris entrapment/damage. They should be cleaned every 2 months, or when weak pump 2 performance is observed.
ALWAYS TURN POWER TO THE HOT TUB OFF BEFORE CLEANING THE FILTER CARTRIDGE! To accomplish this, refer to the filter cleaning/replacement procedure below:

A
TURN POWER TO HOT TUB OFF!

B
![Image of filter cleaning](image1)

C
1. Rotate stage 2 retainer counterclockwise to release, then separate filter assembly.
2. Replace (throw-away) stage 2 filter after 3 months use or as needed. DO NOT reuse!

D
![Image of filter cleaning](image2)

E
1. Install new stage 2 filter onto clean stage 1 filter.
2. Insert retainer into stage 2 filter and rotate clockwise to assembly. DO NOT overtighten retainer (finger tight only).

F
![Image of filter cleaning](image3)

G
1. Install filter assembly, then tighten filter nut so it just touches filter face. DO NOT OVERTIGHTEN!
2. Turn power to hot tub back on.

Periodically, the stage 1 filter will need a more thorough cleaning to remove imbedded oils and minerals. For this, we suggest cleaning as illustrated above (step D), followed by soaking the filter overnight in a plastic container filled with a solution of water and a specially formulated filter cleanser available from your Sundance dealer.

The average life expectancy of the reusable stage 1 filter is approximately two years with proper care and water quality maintenance. The smaller stage 2 filter cannot be cleaned and must be replaced (thrown-out) every 3 months, or as needed. DO NOT reuse this cartridge! Attempts to reuse this cartridge will reintroduce debris back into your hot tub! Replacement cartridges may be purchased from your
Sundance dealer. **Note:** Nylon suction filters need to be cleaned periodically for optimum performance of all jets (See Figure-F, page 17).

11.2 Draining and Refilling
About every 3 to 6 months, you will want to replace the hot tub’s water. The frequency depends on a number of variables including the frequency of use, number of users, attention paid to water quality maintenance, etc. You will know it is time for a change when you cannot control sudsing and/or you can no longer get the normal feel or sparkle to the water even though the key water balance measurements are all within the proper parameters.

**CAUTION! READ THIS BEFORE DRAINING:** To prevent damage to the hot tub’s components, **turn off power to the hot tub at the circuit breaker before draining it.** Do not turn the power back on until your hot tub has been refilled. There are certain precautions to keep in mind when draining your hot tub. If it is extremely cold, and the hot tub is outdoors, freezing could occur in the lines or the equipment (see “WINTERIZING”, page 39). On the other hand, if it is hot outdoors, do not leave the hot tub’s surface exposed to direct sunlight for long periods.

**Draining Procedures:**

**For Hot Tubs with An External Drain Valve**
1. Turn off power to hot tub at breaker.
2. Locate the 3” gray drain valve cap on the left or right side of the hot tub. Unscrew drain valve cap to expose the underlying male garden hose fitting. Attach hose to fitting and route opposite end away from hot tub.
3. Pull outward on garden hose at drain connection (approx. 3/8”) to open valve and release water. Water drains at approximately 3 gallons per minute.
4. Close drain valve by pushing inward on garden hose at drain connection until you feel it bottom out, then remove garden hose, install gray drain cap, and refill spa. Refer to “Start-Up Instructions” (page 13).

**For Hot Tubs with An Under Cabinet (Hidden) Drain Valve**
1. Turn off power to hot tub at breaker.
2. Remove front center cabinet under the hot tub control panel.
3. Locate the white “T” handle drain valve secured to base (Figure-A, Page 10).
4. Attach a garden hose to the threaded drain valve port using the adapter fitting provided with your hot tub (in plastic bag with the colored lenses.) For faster draining, a special, large diameter drain hose kit is available from your Sundance dealer.
5. Open drain valve by pulling the “T” handle drain valve outward from the pipe. **After draining, always remember to close the “T” valve and reinstall the threaded plug to prevent water from seeping past the valve prior to refilling.** Refer to “Start-Up Instructions” (page 13).
11.3 Cleaning The Hot Tub Interior
To preserve the sheen of your hot tub's surface, it is crucial that you avoid using abrasive cleaners or cleaners which have adverse chemical effect on the surface. If you are not certain as to the suitability of a particular cleanser, consult your authorized Sundance Dealer. Regardless of the cleanser used, use extreme care to assure that no soap residue is left on the surface. This could cause severe sudsing when the hot tub is refilled.

11.4 Pillow Care
Remove and clean the headrest pillows as needed with soapy water using a cloth or soft-bristle brush. To maintain water resistance and luster, apply a quality vinyl conditioner once a month. Always remove the pillows when adding chemical shock treatment to the hot tub water. The pillows can be returned to the hot tub when the sanitizer reading drops below 5 ppm.

IMPORTANT: Never attempt to remove the pillows by pulling on them! The pillows utilize a bolt-on design that prohibits removal without tools.

To remove pillows:
1. Grasp center pillow insert (A) with finger tips and gently pry outward from pillow base (C).
2. Use a standard screwdriver to loosen and remove mounting bolts (B) from pillow base.
3. Assemble in reverse order after cleaning.

DO NOT overtighten pillow mounting bolts!

11.5 Maintaining The Wood Cabinet
With time and exposure to the elements, the wood on your hot tub will tend to lose its new appearance. Protecting or reviving the wood surfaces is a fairly simple process. Light sanding with fine-grit sandpaper will help smooth any roughness and regular applications of a penetrating wood preservative will enhance and protect the richness of the wood. A specially formulated wood stain available from your Sundance dealer is ideal for this.

NOTE: Do not apply varnish, shellac or other surface sealants to the wood. These tend to react with the chemicals in the wood and the UV rays of the sun, causing yellowing, flaking and peeling.
11.6 Maintaining The Optional Synthetic Cabinet
The optional synthetic cabinet requires little or no maintenance of any kind. To clean, simply wipe cabinet with a clean towel and mild detergent soap solution.

CAUTION: Never spray cabinet with a garden hose for any reason since this action may induce an electrical short in the spa's electrical equipment.

11.7 Maintaining The Cover
Using the Sundance insulating hot tub cover anytime the hot tub is not in use will significantly reduce your operating costs, heat-up time and maintenance requirements. To prolong the life of the cover, handle it with care and clean it regularly using mild soap and water. Periodic treatments with a special conditioner developed for Sundance hot tub covers will help protect against deterioration caused by U.V. rays from the sun. Never allow anyone to stand or sit on the cover, and avoid dragging it across rough surfaces.

11.8 Winterizing
Your Sundance hot tub is designed to automatically protect itself against freezing when operating properly. During periods of severe freezing temperatures, you should check periodically to be certain that the electrical supply to the hot tub has not been interrupted. In extreme, bitter cold weather (less than -20°F) reset the filter cycles for 24-hour operation to protect the hot tub (i.e. four 6-hour cycles).

If you do not intend to use your hot tub, or if there is a prolonged power outage during periods of severe freezing temperatures, it is important that all water be removed from the hot tub and equipment to protect against damage from freezing.

For expert winterization of your hot tub, contact your authorized Sundance Dealer. In emergency situations, damage can be minimized by taking the following steps:

CAUTION: Turn off power to hot tub.

1. Follow the directions on page 37 for draining the hot tub.
2. As the water level drops below the seats, use whatever means necessary to get the water out of the recessed seating areas and into the footwell.
3. When the water level ceases to drop, use whatever means available to
remove any remaining water from the footwell.

4. Turn the power to the hot tub back on briefly and press the **AIR** button to activate the air blower. This will evacuate the water from the air injector lines. (Note: Stand back to avoid the misty spray.)

5. Turn off power to the hot tub.

6. Remove the equipment-side cabinet panels and locate the drain plugs in the front of the pump(s) (Figure-A, Page 10). Remove these plugs to allow the water to drain out of the pumps and heater. (Note: Approximately one to two gallons will be released during this procedure. Use a wet/dry vacuum or other means to keep this from flooding the equipment compartment. Replace the drain plugs.

7. Loosen hose clamp at bottom of heater (Figure-A, Page 10) and pull hose off of heater fitting (twist the hose back and forth while pulling downward). Tip hose down and allow to drain, then reinstall hose and clamp.

8. Re-install cabinet side panels and cover hot tub so that no casual moisture can enter into it.

Consult your Authorized Sundance Dealer if you have any questions regarding winter use or winterizing.

11.9 Restarting Your Hot Tub in Cold Weather

If you want to start up your hot tub after it has sat empty for a time in freezing temperatures, be aware that the water remaining in certain sections of the piping may still be frozen. This situation will block water flow preventing the hot tub from operating properly and possibly damaging the equipment. We recommend you consult your dealer for guidance before attempting to re-start your hot tub under these conditions.

12.0 Water Quality Maintenance

Maintaining the quality of the water within specified limits will serve to enhance your enjoyment and prolong the life of the hot tub's equipment. It is a fairly simple task, but it requires regular attention because the water chemistry involved is a balance of several factors. There is no simple formula, and there is no avoiding it. A careless attitude in regard to water maintenance will result in poor and potentially unhealthful conditions for soaking and even damage to your hot tub investment. For specific guidance on maintaining water quality, consult your Authorized Sundance Dealer who can recommend appropriate chemical products for sanitizing and maintaining your hot tub.
CAUTION: Never store hot tub chemicals inside the hot tub's equipment bay.

12.1 pH Control
pH is a measure of relative acidity or alkalinity of water and is measured on a scale of 0 to 14. The midpoint of 7 is said to be neutral, above which is alkaline and below which is acidic. In hot tub water, IT IS VERY IMPORTANT TO MAINTAIN A SLIGHTLY ALKALINE CONDITION OF 7.2 to 7.8. Problems become proportionately severe the further outside of this range the water gets. A low pH will be corrosive to metals in the hot tub equipment. A high pH will cause minerals to deposit on the interior surface (scaling). In addition, the ability of the sanitation agents to keep the hot tub clean is severely affected as the pH moves beyond the ideal range. That is why almost all hot tub water test kits contain a measure for pH as well as sanitizer.

12.2 Sanitizing
To destroy bacteria and organic compounds in the hot tub water, a sanitizer must be used regularly. Your Sundance hot tub is equipped with the Brominator™, a special compartment built into the floating skimmer gate to hold bromine tablets. By regulating the number of bromine tablets in the Brominator™ and the length of the skimming/heating cycles, you can control the amount of bromine which is actively working in your hot tub water. A bromine residual of 2 to 3 ppm is generally considered desirable. A two-part bromine system or granular chlorine (Dichlor) are also acceptable sanitizers.

IMPORTANT: Do not use chlorine tablets (Trichlor) in your hot tub. This chemical can have an extremely corrosive effect on certain materials in the hot tub. Damage caused by use of this chemical, or improper use of any chemicals, is not covered under the hot tub's warranty.

12.3 Other Additives
Many other additives are available for your hot tub. Some are necessary to compensate for out-of-balance water, some aid in cosmetic water treatment and others simply alter the feel or smell of the water. Your Authorized Sundance Dealer can advise you on the use of these additives.

12.4 Optional SunZone™ Water Maintenance System
If you have elected to have your hot tub equipped with the optional
Sundance SunZone™ UV or SunZone™ CD water purification system you will find that your water stays fresh and clear with significantly less chemical sanitizer usage. You will also probably be able to go longer between complete hot tub drainings.

12.5 Handrail Maintenance
The handrails in your Sundance spa are manufactured from a high quality 316 stainless steel alloy. Many people are familiar with the term "stainless steel" and are surprised to learn that it does indeed rust and corrode in the presence of chloride salts, free chlorine, or sulfide gasses. The bad news is the environments that produce these elements are ocean spray, salted highways, chemical treatments added to swimming pools and spas, and ground water in numerous coastal areas. The good news is with proper care, your spa’s handrails can maintain their original finish.

If your stainless handrails shows signs of rusting you should:
• Wash with fresh water (a good detergent won’t hurt).
• Clean with a good car chrome polish.
• Wax with a car of fiberglass wax.

You should never:
• Clean with chlorinated cleaners or scouring powders.
• Use sand paper, “Scotch Brite”, Brillo pads, or similar abrasive products.
• Clean with muratic or hydrochloric acids. Vinegar is ok, but it won’t do much to remove rust.

13.0 Troubleshooting - Display Messages
There are a number of unique functions designed into your Sundance hot tub to protect it from damage and/or to aid in troubleshooting. Following is a listing of all the possible messages along with their meanings:

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<td><strong>OH</strong></td>
<td>Overheat Protection (Heater is deactivated, pump’s low speed is activated). Water temperature is above acceptable limits. Do not enter the water! Remove hot tub cover to speed cooling. See “WATER IS TOO HOT” on page 46. If condition persists, contact your dealer or authorized service center.</td>
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If the hot tub water is more than 20 °F cooler than the temperature setpoint, the low speed pump #1 and heater will automatically activate to provide freeze protection. The hot tub will stay in this mode until the water temperature reaches 15 degrees below the set temperature. No corrective action is necessary.

FLOW SWITCH (Heater is deactivated. Pump may also be deactivated). Proper flow of water is inhibited or a flow switch has malfunctioned. Check for proper water level and check for clogged stage 2 filter (page 35-36). Contact your dealer or service organization.

*NOTE: THIS MESSAGE CAN ALSO APPEAR IF THE PUMP HAS NOT REGAINED PRIME AFTER THE HOT TUB HAS BEEN DRAINED AND REFILLED. IF YOU SUSPECT THAT THIS IS THE CASE, SEE THE INSTRUCTIONS ON PAGE 45 UNDER “PUMP DOES NOT OPERATE...”

Panel sensors have been pressed too many times in a short period of time. Because this could cause excessive wear on equipment components, panel sensors are temporarily deactivated. Panel sensors will automatically re-activate if no sensor is pressed for 30 seconds.

Circuit board temperature has exceeded acceptable limit. This message will disappear when the circuit board temperature drops below acceptable limit. If condition persists, provide shade for the equipment side of the hot tub.

FREEZE PROTECTION
A potential freeze condition has been detected. No action is required. Pump(s) operate until the hot tub is out of danger. Note: This error commonly occurs when the hot tub is first filled because tap water is often very cold.
Communication between the control panel and/or remote control panel and circuit board is faulty. Contact your dealer or service organization.

"WATCHDOG" (Hot tub is deactivated)
A problem has been detected which could cause damage to the hot tub or its components. Contact your dealer or service organization.

OPEN SENSOR (heater disabled) OR SHORTED SENSOR (hot tub is deactivated)
The high-limit temperature sensor is non-functional. This must be repaired only by a dealer or qualified service organization.

OPEN OR SHORTED SENSOR (heater disabled)
The main sensor is non-functional. This must be repaired only by a dealer or qualified service organization.

CLOSED OR SHORTED FLOW SWITCH ON SYSTEM STARTUP (system disabled)
Flow switch is non-functional. This must be repaired only by a dealer or qualified service organization.

14.0 Troubleshooting - Procedures
In the unlikely event your hot tub is not working the way you believe it should, please first review all installation and operating instructions in this manual and check the message on the panel display; second, if you are still not satisfied it is working properly, please follow the appropriate troubleshooting instructions.

PROBLEM
NONE OF THE COMPONENTS OPERATE (i.e. pump, blower, light)

PROCEDURE
Check the control panel lights.
1. If there are letters or symbols displayed on the screen, refer to the previous section to determine meaning and action required.
2. If nothing appears on the screen:
   a. Check the household circuit breaker.
   b. Contact dealer or authorized service center.
PUMP DOES NOT OPERATE
BUT BLOWER AND LIGHT DO OPERATE

1. If no sound is detected or if a "buzzing" sound is detected, turn off power to the hot tub and contact your dealer or service center.
2. If motor operates but no water flows to jets:
   a. Pump may not be properly primed. See instructions below.
   b. Contact dealer or authorized service center.

Pump Priming Instructions: Turn Hot Tub Off!
Remove filter and insert end of garden hose into left-side filter fitting. Seal-off fitting opening around hose using a large, clean rag and hold in place. Ask a helper to turn on maximum water flow through the garden hose. After about 30 seconds, turn off water. Repeat process for right-side filter fitting, then remove hose and rag. Reinstall filter as illustrated in section 11.1 (page 35-36) and activate pump 1 in high speed. Another method of priming the hot tub's pump(s) is as follows:

1. Turn off the power to the hot tub.
2. Remove the handle from the massage selector supplied by the pump you are priming.
3. Loosen the massage selector's cap slightly (counterclockwise), listening for the air to seep out.
4. Tighten the cap finger-tight, replace the handle and turn the hot tub's power back on (continued on next page).

(Note: This method must be used for the single speed pump (pump #2) of all Altamar, Cameo, Marin, and Optima models because pump #2 is not connected to the filter.)

IMPORTANT: If freezing conditions exist and pump is not operational, take measures to protect the system from freeze damage. See “Winterizing” (page 39).

POOR JET ACTION
(Figure-F, Page 17)

1. Make certain the pump is on high speed.
2. Check position of massage selectors
3. Open air control for selected jet system.
4. Check for adequate water level.
5. Check for dirty filter (page 35-36).
6. Check for dirty filters on all three pump 2 footwell suction covers (page 17).

WATER IS TOO HOT.
1. Reduce thermostat setting (page 14).
2. Reduce skimming/heating cycle length. Even with heater off, water temperature can increase from prolonged pump operation (page 32).

NO HEAT
1. Check thermostat setting.
2. Keep the cover in place while heating.
3. If “heater on” indicator is lit (Figure-E, Page 16), but no temperature rise is experienced after a reasonable period of time, contact your dealer or authorized service center.

Should checking the above steps fail to correct the problem, please call your dealer so that he may arrange service.

Sundance builds the best hot tubs in the industry. Nonetheless, we are always striving to improve the quality and features of our products. Your input as a Sundance hot tub owner is a cherished part of this process. If you have any comments or suggestions, or if you wish to be informed on any new products for your hot tub, please write to us.

CONGRATULATIONS on your good taste and welcome to the happiest and most relaxed family in the world!
15.0 Electrical Wiring Diagram (60 Hz)
(Cameo, Optima, Altamar, Marin and Capri)
16.0 Typical Spa Wiring Diagrams A-B

A 2-Pole Circuit Breaker with 2-Wire Grounded Load Connection
(3 Wires to Hot Tub, 2-Hot (L1-L2), 1-Ground)

Main Service Panel with GFCI

- 240 VAC
- White (N)
- Black (L1)
- Red (L2)

2-Pole GFCI Breaker

- Red (L2)
- Black (L1)
- Green

No Load Neutral Wire

Pigtail

Neutral Bus

Ground

TB1

TB2

Red (L2)

Black (L1)

Green

Ground/Bonding Lug**

Note: service disconnect not shown in this diagram. The control box TB1 terminal position varies between models.

B Main Panel with Secondary GFCI Shut-Off Box Using a
2-Pole GFCI Breaker with 2-Wire Grounded Connection
(3 Wires to Hot Tub, 2-Hot (L1-L2), 1-Ground)

Main Panel*

- 240 VAC
- White (N)
- Black (L1)
- Red (L2)
- Green (Ground)

GFCI Sub Panel*

- Red (L2)
- Black (L1)
- Green

Pigtail

Neutral Bus

Ground

TB1

TB2

Red (L2)

Black (L1)

Green

Ground/Bonding Lug**

No Load Neutral Wire

*GFCI Sub Panel commonly used when recommended GFCI does not install in Main Panel.

Note: service disconnect not shown in this diagram. The control box TB1 terminal position varies between models.