# Technical Training Prodigy Undercounter Cubers

# Models CU1526, CU2026 and CU3030



# **List of Major Topics**

- Introduction
- Installation
- Operation
- Maintenance
- Diagnosis
- Service





# **Prodigy with a Bin**

- 3 models
  - CU1526
    - 115 volt 60 Hz
    - 230 volt 50 Hz
  - CU2026
    - 115 volt 60 Hz
    - 230 volt 50 Hz
    - 208-230 volt 60 Hz
  - CU3030
    - 115 volt 60 Hz
    - 230 volt 50 Hz
    - 208-230 volt 60 Hz

# Prodigy

- Control system
  - WaterSense auto purge
- Ice form
- Harvest assist
- Water distribution
- Scotsman Undercounter
  - Removable bin
  - Front air in and out



### **Model Numbers**





#### CU1526 and CU2026 Cabinet Size





#### **CU3030 Cabinet Size**





#### Installation

- Build-in capability
  - Air in and out the front
  - Washable air filters
  - Bin is removable for in place service
  - On off switch on front
  - Water cooled also
  - Kits for floor mounting without legs



#### **Air Flow**



CU3030 Air Cooled – Air in the left front and in the bottom, out the right front

CU1526 or CU2026 Air Cooled – Air in the left front and out the right front



#### Installation

- Power:
  - Power cord on all models
    - 115 volt AC, 15 amp service all
    - 208-230 volt AC, 15 amp service CU2026 and CU3030
- Potable Water:
  - 3/8" male flare connector at back of cabinet
- Bin and Reservoir Drain:
  - ¾" FPT drain fitting at back of cabinet



#### Installation







#### **Component Location**



Harvest Assist Solenoid



Controller



ProDice





Purge Valve



### **Initial Start Up**

- Remove unpacking material, including tape from the curtain
- Remove left front grill
  - Provides access to controller
- Connect power, turn on water supply.
- Move On-Off switch to ON
- Push and release the On button







# **Sequence of Operation**

- Freeze cycle
  - Start Up
    - Water drains and refills
    - Compressor and water pump switch ON
    - When discharge pressure builds up to 240 PSIG, pressure control switches fan motors ON
  - When sump water reaches preset point, pump stops for 30 seconds, then restarts
  - Freeze continues until ice thickness sensor is touched by water
  - Controller's Ready for Harvest light switches on, fan motors stop



### **Sequence of Operation**

#### Harvest

- Hot gas valve opens
- Harvest assist solenoid powered
- Drain cycle begins time varies by purge setting
  - Purge valve opens
  - Water pump pumps out water, then stops
  - Purge valve closes
  - Float refills reservoir
- Harvest continues until curtain opens



#### Water Level

- Controlled by float valve
- Normal water level is 1" deep at left end of reservoir





#### **Harvest Assist**

 Solenoid mounted behind evaporator pan





#### **Harvest Assist**

- Push rod end in back of ice cell
- Push rod adds force to assist ice release during harvest
- Rod does not move until ice is loose





#### **Ice Thickness**

- Continuity sensor in front of evaporator
- Ice build up moves water flow closer to sensor
- Water contact triggers the end of freeze





#### **Ice Bridge**





# **Controller Component Indicator Lights**

- Condenser Fan
- Water Pump
- Purge Valve
- Water Solenoid not used
- Hot Gas
- Compressor
- Ready to Harvest
- Sump Empty
- Sump Full
- SW2
- SW1





#### **Example: Freeze Cycle**





# System Pressures – R-404A

- End of Freeze Cycle Suction
  - Normal ranges vary by capacity and ambient
    - CU1526 and CU2026 end the freeze cycle at about 38 PSIG
    - CU3030 ends the freeze cycle at about 28 PSIG
      - Lower at low ambient
      - Higher at high ambient





#### **Example: Harvest Cycle**



opens

Stays ON when bin is full



#### **System Pressures – R-404A**

- Harvest Cycle Suction
  - CU1526 and CU2026
    - 100 105 PSIG (70/50)
    - 115 125 PSIG (90/70)
  - CU3030
    - 85 90 PSIG (70/50)
    - 100 105 PSIG (90/70)





# Ice Level Control

#### • Curtain switch

- Terminates harvest when it opens
- Terminates ice making when it stays open
  - For 30 seconds
- Different cut out distance from the modular models





# **Controller Operation**

- Indicator Lights
  - Power
  - Status
    - Green when in ice making mode
  - Water
    - Normally off
  - De-Scale
    - Normally off
    - Clean process clears





# **Controller Code Display**

- Common codes:
  - **C** = Off
  - **F** = Freeze
  - H = Harvest
  - **b** = Bin full
  - 1 = Long freeze cycle
  - **2** = Long harvest
  - $\mathbf{3}$  = Long water fill
  - 8 = Short freeze cycle





# **Controller Switches**

- On
- Off
- Manual Harvest
- Clean





#### **Controller Button Processes**

- Reset
  - Push and release Off, push and release On





#### **Control Button Processes**

- Recall diagnostic code
  - Push and hold Off to shut the machine down
  - Push and hold Off again until the display code changes
  - Push and release the Harvest button to cycle thru the last 10 diagnostic codes, from latest to oldest





#### **Controller Button Processes**

- Clear all diagnostic codes
  - Push and hold Off to shut the machine down
  - Push and hold both the Clean and Harvest buttons for 3 seconds



### **Controller Button Processes**

- View/Change water purge
  - Push and hold Off to shut the machine down
  - Push and hold Off again until the display code changes – code displayed is the current purge setting
  - Press and release the On button to cycle to another setting – 1 to 5 or A for Automatic





### WaterSense Automatic Purge

- Controller measures conductivity of the reservoir water
- Adjusts purge water amount based on the water's dissolved solids
  - Display shows an A if set to Automatic (factory default)
- Purge can also be manually set
  - 1 is minimum
  - 5 is maximum



### **Maintenance - Air Filters**

- CU1526 and CU2026 air cooled models have a single filter attached to the inside of the left louvered section
  - Wash out to clean
- CU3030 air cooled has the same filter PLUS a filter under the chassis
  - Pull the under-filter out to remove
  - Wash both out to clean





#### **Maintenance – Water System**

- De-scale and sanitize
  - Yellow light indicates time to remove scale
    - Standard interval is 6 months of power up time
      - First remove scale
      - Second sanitize
  - Remove left louver
  - Harvest ice
  - Stop operation
  - Push Clean button




#### **Remove Scale**

- Clean light flashes
  - Purge valve drains & float refills reservoir
  - Pour 8 ounces of Scotsman Clear 1 scale remover into the reservoir
  - Circulate scale remover at least 10 minutes, or as long as needed
  - Push Clean button again
  - Clean light on steady, control system will flush out the reservoir, continue to flush for 20 minutes then push Off



### Sanitize

- After removing scale, De-scale light will be off, unit can be sanitized
  - Mix a sanitizing solution
  - Push and HOLD the clean button in to drain the reservoir, when done draining, add the sanitizer
  - After a few minutes push Clean again
  - Control will flush system, after 20 minutes push Off



# **ITS & Water Distributor**

- Remove door
  - Top if not built in
- Remove curtain (flip up & lift right end)
- Remove ice thickness sensor (at black arrows squeeze & lift off)
  - Inspect for scale



#### **Water Distributor**

- Remove pump hose
- Release distributor
  (squeeze catches) & pull left, lift from unit
  - Remove cover, inspect for scale





#### **Water Distributor**

- No fasteners
- Release catches, pull and lift off mounting track
- Pull cover off, rinse out







#### Water Sensor

- Water sensor
  - Confirms water in reservoir signals controller to shut off if dry
  - Senses water quality for auto flush system
- NOT used to control water level





#### **Service Diagnosis**

- The Recipe for Ice:
  - Add Water just the right amount
  - Apply strong amount of **Refrigeration** effect to take heat from the water & release the ice
  - Use an Electrical System to Operate and Control the machine to deliver ice of the correct form when its needed
  - If an ingredient is missing or out of balance, performance will suffer – and you will be called!



# **5 Controller Shut Down Causes**

- Exceeds limit on water fill time
  - 5 minutes
- Exceeds limit on maximum freeze time
  - 84 minutes
- Exceeds limit on maximum harvest time
  - 3.5 minutes
- End of freeze triggered too soon
  - Before 6 minutes into the freeze cycle
- Discharge temperature too high
  - Exceeds 250 degrees F.



#### **Controller Reaction**

- Exceeds water fill time
  - Shuts down, rechecks every 20 minutes
- Exceeds maximum freeze time
  - Completes harvest, tries another cycle
- Exceeds maximum harvest time
  - Shuts down, restarts after 50 minutes
- End of freeze triggered too soon
  - Completes timed harvest, tries another cycle.
- Discharge temperature exceeds 250 degrees F.
  - Immediate shut down



#### **Controller Auto Restart**

- From diagnostic causes
  - Retries 2 times, if fails again 3<sup>rd</sup> time, machine must be manually reset
- From water interruption
  - Will continuously restart every 20 minutes
- From power failure
  - Goes thru a timed harvest (3 minutes)



# **Diagnostic Process - Example**

- No ice complaint
  - Check diagnostic code
    - How?
  - Code 1: Maximum Freeze Cycle
    - What can cause the freeze cycle to be too long?
    - What would you look for?
    - Recipe for ice:
      - Water
      - Refrigeration
      - Control



# **Diagnostic - Refrigeration**

- Maximum harvest time exceeded
  - Limit is 3.5 minutes 210 seconds
  - Typical cycle is much shorter
    - 30 to 80 seconds
  - Slow harvest could be caused by?



# **Diagnostic Process - Example**

- No ice complaint
  - Check diagnostic code
    - How?
  - Code 3: Slow or no water fill
    - What can cause that?
    - What would you look for?



# **Diagnostic – Test Mode**

- Depress and HOLD Off for 3 seconds, release then
  - Depress and HOLD Clean for 3 seconds
    - The controller will go through a programmed sequence of switching the components on and off.
      - The component lights will switch on and so will the load
        - » Fan motor is an exception, the fan pressure control will keep the fan motor off
      - If the light is ON and the load is not, further check of the motor or solenoid coil is required.
      - If the lights all match component operation, there is nothing wrong with either the controller or the components.

# **Diagnostics - Sensors**

- Ice thickness sensor
  - Continuity probe
  - Check by grounding metal tip to cabinet and observing Ready To Harvest light







#### Lack of Water

- Water part of the recipe
  - Sump empty light may be on
  - Restricted or shut off supply
    - Water filters plugged?
  - Float water valve not operating





# **Diagnostic Process - Example**

- No ice complaint
  - Check diagnostic code
    - How?
  - Code 4: High discharge temperature
    - What can cause that?
    - What would you look for?



# **Service Notes: Refrigerant Charge**

- Ice machines are critically charged
- Refrigerant leak symptoms are progressive – they change as the amount of refrigerant lost increases
  - Thinner ice at evaporator area near tube outlet
  - Longer cycle times, both freeze and harvest





# **Diagnostics – Curtain Switch**

- Light is ON when switch is Open
  - Unused switch light is always on
- Move the curtain
  - Check if the light cycles with the curtain's movement or
  - Use ohmmeter on switch leads







# **Diagnostic Process - Example**

- No ice complaint
  - Check diagnostic code
    - How?
  - Code 8: Short freeze cycle
    - What can cause that?
    - What would you look for?



## **Service Notes - Ice Thickness Adjustment**

- Adjustment screw is very sensitive
  - Rotate only slightly to adjust bridge thickness
    - 1/8 turn is TOO MUCH





# **Service Notes - Bin Removal**

- Remove door
  - Open slightly, lift up one end, open more to release
- Remove top
  - Remove thumbscrews under front edges of top
  - Push top back and lift up to remove





# **Bin Removal**

- Remove grills at front of machine
- Unplug switch
- Remove thumbscrews holding bin to chassis
  - One inside of bin by pump
  - Two below bin
- Remove drain hose from bin





#### **Bin Removal**

• Slide bin forward and off of the chassis





# **Bin Removed**

- Chassis with bin removed
- Access to
  - Compressor
  - Controller
  - Fan Motors
  - Purge valve
  - Hot gas valve
  - TXV





# **Condensing Unit Area**





#### **Pump Bracket and Reservoir**





CU3030 Reservoir

Remove metal clip to release tabs from pump bracket



# Pump & Float Service – CU1526 & CU2026

- Float attached to pump bracket
  - Shut off water to unit
  - Remove top
  - Remove reservoir mounting screws, lower sump
  - Remove water pump
    - Disconnect hose and electrical
    - Twist CCW and lift pump out
  - Lift pump bracket & float valve up and out of machine





# Pump & Float Service - CU3030

- Float valve is attached to pump bracket
- Remove pump
  - Disconnect hose & electrical
  - Twist CCW & lift pump up and out of machine
- Disconnect reservoir from pump bracket, lift bracket up and out of machine





#### Summary

- CU1526, CU2026 and CU3030
  - All models can be built in
  - All models use the same evaporator
  - All models use the same water pump
  - All models use the same controller shared with all Prodigy models
  - All models use the same ice thickness sensor
  - All models use the same curtain switch
  - All models use the same float valve

