

## Hydropump Model RH1400 Installation Instructions

Please read all the instructions before attempting to install the Hydropump. The pumping capacity of the Hydropump may vary depending on your piping configuration, battery age, and capacity.

Specifications	Physical Size:
Pump Motor: 12 VDC, 21 Amps	Pump Length: 9 1/2" Width: 6" Height: 6"
Battery Charger: 1.5 AH @ 12 VDC, 0.4 Amp Load	Battery case L: 17", W: 9-1/2", H: 11"
Charger Service: 120 VAC, 60 HZ, GFCI Outlet	Pump weight: (without battery): 10 Lb
Float Switch: Vertical Style, with mounting clamp	Total shipping weight: 22 Lbs.
Water Alarm: Integrated	1-1/4" PVC Connection
Battery Requirements: 12 Volt Marine deep cycle or Sealed Lead acid, Size 27	
Battery NOT included (Ask for Highest Quality in Size 27, Best Warranty)	

\*\* Extra battery case available as an add-on kit to double pumping time; not pumping rate

Flow Rates:	Pumping Times:
At 5 feet 1800 Gallons Per Hour	Using Marine Deep Cycle Battery/30 second cycles
At 9 feet 1400 Gallons Per Hour	At 1 minute intervals 12 Hours
**Do not exceed 15 feet total lift; pumping capacity will be affected**	At 5 minute intervals 48 Hours
	At 15 minute intervals 96 Hours

**Included Parts:**

Motorized Pump Unit with stainless steel mounting bracket	One-Way Foot Valve, screen, and female reducer
Battery Case with Cover and Charger	PVC Tee Connector with elbow and 2 adapters
Vertical Switch to activate pump (pre-wired) and (1) large metal clamp	Extension Cord
(3) Cable ties, (3) Smaller Hose Clamps, (1) 90° PVC Elbow & Coupling	Flexible Discharge Hose: 4 Feet
Installation Instructions; safety specifications	Rigid PVC Pipe: (2) pieces 12" ; (1) piece 6" Long

**Additional Parts & Supplies Needed:**

Check valve for primary pump (existing?)	Tools Needed:
PVC Primer and Cement (small cans) for PVC connections	Hand saw and/or PVC cutting tool
Teflon Tape or Pipe Sealant (Dope) for threaded connections	Phillips and slotted screwdrivers
Deep cycle Marine, Lead Acid, Gel, or AGM Battery (Contact us, we have AGM and Gel Batteries)	Utility knife, tape measure, large adjustable pliers

<p><b>⚠ WARNING ELECTRICAL SHOCK HAZARD</b></p> <p>Disconnect power before installing or servicing this product. A qualified service person must install and service this product according to applicable electrical and plumbing codes.</p>	<p><b>⚠ WARNING EXPLOSION OR FIRE HAZARD</b></p> <p>Do not use this product with flammable liquids. Do not install in hazardous locations as defined by National Electrical Code, ANSI/NFPA 70.</p>
<p>Failure to follow these precautions could result in serious injury or death. Replace product immediately if switch cable becomes damaged or severed. Keep these instructions with warranty after installation. This product must be installed in accordance with National Electric Code, ANSI/NFPA 70 so as to prevent moisture from entering or accumulating within boxes, conduit bodies, fittings, float housing, or cable.</p>	

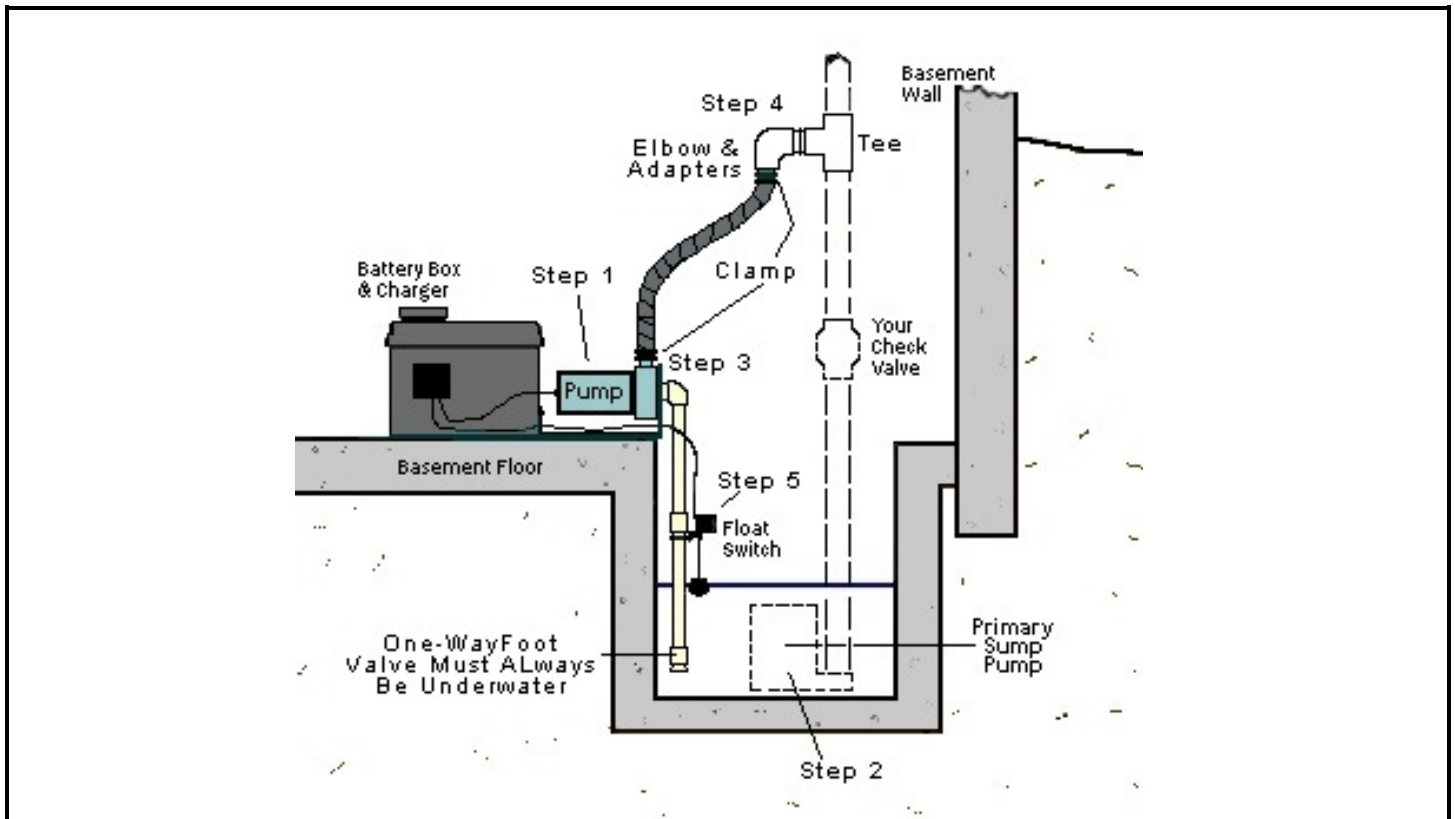
### Customer Satisfaction Guarantee and One Year Limited Warranty

Within 30 days of purchase, if you are not completely satisfied with your new Hydropump, Base Products Corporation (The Company) will refund your money, in full, excluding shipping charges, as long as product is returned in its original packaging, unused, un-installed, and in re-salable condition, shipping pre-paid. Please contact the dealer where you purchased your pump to obtain refund. If purchased directly from Base Products, you must call our Customer Satisfaction Department at 1-800-554-1426 to receive return authorization or to receive Technical Assistance. Please give your name, address, phone number, purchase date, and installation address.

The Company warrants this Battery Powered Backup Sump Pump against defects in material and workmanship for One Year from the date of the shipment. In the event of any defect in the pump unit within the warranty period, The Company will, at its option, replace or recondition the product without charge providing the product is returned, prepaid to our offices in Buffalo, New York. This shall constitute the exclusive remedy for any alleged defect. The Company shall not be responsible for any incidental, indirect, contingent, or consequential damages, including, without limitation, damages or other costs resulting from labor charges, delays, loss of use, revenue or profit, vandalism, negligence, fouling caused by foreign material, damage from peculiar water conditions, chemicals, electrical problems, or other circumstances over which The Company has no control. The Company makes no other warranties, express or implied, except as provided in this limited warranty. This warranty becomes void by any misapplication, misuse, abuse, or improper installation of the product. This warranty gives you specific legal rights and you may also have other rights which may vary from state to state. Warranty is applicable in the USA and Canada only.

# Hydropump Residential Model RH1400

## Step by Step Installation



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Refer to installation drawing throughout installation.

#### Step 1 Place Hydropump on Floor:

Remove all packaging and materials and hang all wires over the side and out of the battery box. Position battery box and pump in final position on the floor close to the sump pit. Line up the battery box to the plastic corner bracket attached to the rear of the Stainless Steel pump bracket. Use a 1/4" bit and drill a hole into the battery box before placing the battery into it, at the point where it meets the corresponding hole in the corner bracket. Use one #10-32 x 1/2" long Stainless Steel screw and nut provided and attach bracket to battery box to prevent the pump from tipping forward after you complete the installation.

#### Step 2 Disconnect primary pump:

Unplug primary pump and drain discharge pipe. A high quality, fully functioning check valve **MUST** be present above the main pump and below the Hydropump discharge connection. Without it Hydropump will send water down through your main pump and back into the sump. A removable type check valve is recommended in order to service the main pump in the future without disconnecting Hydropump.

#### Step 3 Install suction pipe:

Prime and cement the foot valve together as shown in the photo in Step 4 on page 3 then glue the end of one 12" PVC pipe section supplied with Hydropump into the narrow end of the female reducer attached to the foot valve and allow time to dry. Don't cement any more sections until you verify all positioning of pipes. Measure the vertical distance from pump inlet fitting to approximately 2 - 4 inches from bottom of sump pit and **make sure the water is never PUMPED below the foot valve opening**. Use coupling supplied to connect a second 12" piece of PVC pipe (cut to fit if necessary) to the first section with the foot valve attached. Connect 90° elbow, as shown in drawing above and use the 6" piece of PVC pipe for the horizontal section and push into socket fitting on pump suction inlet. Once all sections are correctly positioned; disassemble, prime, and cement all joints. Allow time to dry. **SUCTION AND DISCHARGE LINE MUST BE FULL OF WATER AT ALL TIMES IN ORDER TO OPERATE.**

**Step 4 Install Discharge:**

Assemble the Tee fitting to the other parts as supplied in the parts bag and shown here to the right. Prime and glue the white PVC Threaded x Socket adapter into the side opening of the Tee and thread the elbow and black barbed adapter into place as shown using Teflon tape on all threads. Locate the assembled Tee fitting in the discharge pipe of the main sump pump at a point above the existing check valve. Use the flexible hose from the pump to the tee to help you determine the proper position of the tee. Hose may be cut to fit, if needed, using a utility knife or hack saw. If the main pipe line is 1-1/4" PVC use the white PVC bushing adapters provided and glue into the Tee fitting. If these are unneeded, set them aside. Once you have located the Tee position, carefully and squarely cut and remove a 2" section from your main pump discharge pipe. Prime, glue, and insert the Tee fitting into position on the main pump discharge pipe and allow time to dry completely. While drying, you may attach the flexible hose to the pump discharge connection and do the same at the Tee fitting by attaching the hose to the black barbed hose connector. Secure the hose at both ends using the stainless steel hose clamps provided. A third hose clamp (included) may be needed at the connection to the pump. Place them close together and tighten securely.

**Step 5 Float Switch:**

Attach vertical float switch to side of the suction pipe using the larger hose clamp provided. Float should be positioned in its fully down position near the "normal primary pump" level. Slide float up the rod by hand to simulate a normal response to high water and confirm the location of the "high" level. The float will need to rise to the top of the rod to turn the pump on and travel all the way down to the bottom of the rod to turn the pump off. If necessary, you may move the stopper on the rod to a new position for an earlier shut-off. Make sure the pump will come on before the float reaches the top of the pit so water never rises to the floor level. Pump must turn off before the water drops down below the foot valve so air does not enter the system and break the suction prime. After following the start-up procedures below, you may have to make some minor adjustments to the float to assure proper operation. Adjust floats on both pumps, if necessary. **SUCTION AND DISCHARGE LINE MUST BE FULL OF WATER AT ALL TIMES IN ORDER TO OPERATE. DO NOT ALLOW THE MAIN PUMP TO DRAIN THE WATER BELOW THE FOOT VALVE OF HYDROPUMP; ADJUST FLOAT OR PUMP IF NECESSARY TO PREVENT THIS.**

**1. Start Up:**

Connect **all Red (+) Pos** wires from charger **and** pump motor together to positive (+) battery terminal. Connect **all Black (-) Neg** wires from charger **and** pump motor together to negative (-) battery terminal using wing nuts on terminals. Tighten securely. Plug charger into a GFCI protected wall outlet using extension cord supplied. Plug primary pump into wall outlet. If unsure about any of this, consult with a licensed electrician.

**Note:** If connecting an optional second battery using our "Dual Battery Case", all the **Red Wires** go to the **Positive (+) Terminals** and all the **Black Wires** go to the **Negative Terminals**. Connect the proper-colored wire to each terminal of the first battery and "jump" to the matching terminals of the second battery using the wires included with the Dual Battery Case. This keeps the batteries in "parallel" and allows the charger to maintain both batteries.

**Important:** Fill sump with water from a hose if needed to test for proper installation. Lift **primary sump pump** float by hand and operate the main pump for approximately 10 seconds. Do this 2 or 3 times to sufficiently prime Hydropump with sump water and to purge out any trapped air. Verify that all joints are sealed. Now unplug primary pump and fill pit with water. You may simulate the rising water by lifting the float by hand, but don't empty the pit and lose the prime. Confirm that the location and position of the Hydropump float is correct and moves freely. Raise float to reach the desired "high level" which will begin the pumping before water reaches the top of the sump. Confirm that the float shuts the pump off when returned to the "low level" before water surface is below the bottom of the foot valve. Repair any leaks now during this process. A small drip may develop at the front of the pump over time. This is normal and should not cause any problem. The water should either evaporate or find its way into the sump, harmlessly.

**Battery charging:** A new battery or one that's discharged may take 24-48 hours to fully charge. The charger green indicator light means the charger is receiving power from the wall outlet. The red light will glow to indicate the battery is fully charged. **Note:** It is normal for the red light to go on and off. It is normal for the charger to feel warm to the touch and hum slightly.

**\*\*\*\*\* Don't forget to plug the primary pump back in when you are finished!! \*\*\*\*\***

## 2. Water Alarm:

This alarm is activated at the same time that Hydropump activates, to let you know there is a high water situation. It will sound each time Hydropump runs and turn off at the end of each cycle. There is a wiring connection inside the junction box, which can be disconnected if quieter operation is desired. Remove the four screws from the front cover of the small junction box located on the side of the larger battery box and remove the thin, red alarm wire from terminal block to silence alarm. A small slotted screwdriver will be needed for this.

## 3. Maintenance Procedures:

**3 - 4 times per year** lift the Hydropump float by hand and confirm pump operation and water removal. Confirm that the float is allowed to move freely and hits no obstacles. Check battery age and charger status lights. The green light must be on to show that the charger is powered from the wall outlet. The red light should be on when charging is complete and off when charging is required. This is an automatic charger; no adjustments or maintenance are required.

## 4. Troubleshooting:

Pump is running but no water is being removed from pit.

- Pump may have lost its prime: Fill the sump with water and run the main sump pump on and off a few times.
- If necessary, open the hose clamp on discharge hose where it is connected to the Wye fitting and pull the hose off the barbed fitting. Pour water into hose till full. This restores a lost prime. Reconnect hose and start pump again.
- Clogged suction or discharge piping: clear obstruction and restart.

Pump is removing low volumes of water.

- Suction or discharge piping may be partially clogged: clear obstruction.
- Excessive discharge pipe length and/or configuration can produce a large pressure drop; accept the lower flow or change the piping layout, direction, length, etc. (See separate discharge connection kit)
- Battery may need charging or replacing. A new battery often needs 24 - 36 hours of charging. If it is more than 3 years old, it is likely to need replacing.
- Check all PVC joints and confirm that they are cemented and leak-tight. Air leaks reduce pumping capacity.

Pump will not turn on or off properly.

- Float must be fully **down for off** and **fully up for on**. Adjust float by hand to each position required to test pump and re-position clamp on suction pipe, or rubber stopper on bottom of float rod, if necessary, to assure proper operation.
- Battery terminals may be connected improperly: correct and tighten securely.

**NOTE: SUCTION AND DISCHARGE LINE MUST BE FULL OF WATER AT ALL TIMES IN ORDER TO OPERATE.**

**THIS IS NOT A SELF-PRIMING PUMP. THE FOOT VALVE AND CONNECTION TO THE MAIN PUMP DISCHARGE IS DESIGNED TO KEEP THE LINE AND PUMP FULL OF WATER. DO NOT ALLOW HYDROPUMP TO PUMP DOWN DRY. SET THE FLOAT SWITCH ON BOTH MAIN AND BACKUP PUMPS TO TURN OFF WHILE THE FOOT VALVE IS STILL SUBMERGED. SUMP WATER EVAPORATING BELOW THE FOOT VALVE SHOULD BE NO PROBLEM. PUMPING BELOW THAT POINT IS A PROBLEM.**

