

Winterizing Water Treatment Equipment

This document gives general information on how to remove the water from your softener and/or filters. Please see the instructions in the owner's manual for details for your equipment.

You will need a compressor or tank of air , an adapter to connect onto the bottom of your pressure tank drain, and tools to remove the drain line and system from the plumbing.

1. Make sure your equipment is in the service position.
2. Turn off the feed valve to the equipment
3. Turn off the well pump and drain the pressure tank.
4. Connect the adapter for the air hose to the pressure tank drain.
5. Fill the pressure tank with air.
6. Slowly open the feed valve and force the water to an open faucet in the house.
7. Continue to feed air until only air comes out of the faucet.
8. Let the system set for ten minutes and then add more air to remove any remaining water.
9. If you have an alternating tank system (Kinetico, Fleck 8500, 9000 etc. , turn the control so the off line tank comes on line and blow down the second tank like you did the first.
10. If the system is a softener, you will need to drain the brine tank and brine line.
11. Remove the drain line and disconnect the system from the plumbing so no water can drain from the house or the drain line back into the system.
12. If you have a Technetic or other Autotrol product, unscrew the lowest cap on the unit – this is usually the cap that covers the drain flow control or the injector screen. Please refer to your manual.
13. Manually turn the control through a complete cycle for each tank to relieve any water left in the head.
14. If you have a cartridge filter, be sure to remove and empty the sump.