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# First Flush Delta Post/Wall



Installation and Specification Guide

# PRODUCT DETAILS

First Flush Delta Post/Wall is a large volume first flush diverter that makes installation easy by utilising 100mm or 4" pipes for the chamber and incorporates the patented First Flush Plus Tee and Advanced Release Valve to optimise first flush performance.

**WDPW10** 100mm **WDPW110** 4"

First Flush Delta Post/Wall First Flush Delta Post/Wall (USA)

# FEATURES AND BENEFITS

- Isolates the first flush of contaminant-laden water from your roof, by keeping organic and inorganic fine particles out of the rainwater you harvest.
- High Volume Chamber uses multiple 100mm (4") pipes for simple installation and high volume diversion.
- Transparent, Rapid Release Exit Funnel allows for easy visual inspection and draws sediment into the exit flow for reduced buildup and blockages.
- Advanced Release Valve allows you to program how frequently the first flush chamber empties.

# **Delta Post/Wall Mount**

#### WHAT'S IN THE BOX?

- Delta chamber end caps x 2
- Cage/Seat & Ball
- Chamber support spacer
- 100mm (4") socket reducer
- Transparent Rapid Release Exit Funnel
- Advanced Release Valve
- Post/Wall Brackets x 2
- First Flush Plus Tee
- Primary Filter Screen

#### TOOLS/MATERIALS YOU MAY REQUIRE

- Tape measure
- Marker pen
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- Priming fluid
- Solvent weld glue
- Screws/Anchors
- Screw driver
- 100mm (4") pipe

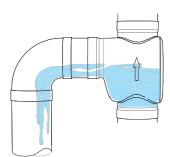
#### **INSTALLATION**

- 1. It is a requirement to install a rain head upstream of any downpipe feeding the Delta Post/Wall First Flush. Large debris must not enter the First Flush chambers to prevent blockages and damage to the Advanced Release Valve.
- 2. Select an installation point for your Delta Post/Wall First Flush. Your diverter chamber must be installed vertically when using the supplied Wall Brackets. Consider the location of the First Flush Plus Tee in your Rain Harvesting line and the space required for your assembled Delta Chamber. The First Flush Plus Tee can be installed in the horizontal or vertical orientation to suit your installation. The outlet and Advanced Release Valve must also be accessible for maintenance and inspection. (Refer to Figures 1a, 1b and 1c for suggested installation orientations).
- 3. Remove Delta components from packaging and lay out parts ready for assembly.
- 4. Using one of your Post/Wall brackets, screw the lower bracket to the wall at your chosen installation point. The outlet of your Advanced Release Valve must sit at least 150mm (6") from the ground when fully assembled, so securing your lower bracket approx. 600mm (24") above the ground should achieve this adequately.

- 5. Determine chamber length using the calculation chart provided, based on your Rain Harvesting roof collection area and considered pollution level (see Figure 7 - Delta Diversion Chamber Calculator).
- 6. Using a tape measure, mark, cut and deburr 6 equal lengths of 100mm (4") pipe to be used as the Chamber Pipes.
  - NOTE: It is critical that all the Chamber Pipes are exactly equal length. It is also recommended to apply a small chamfer to the outside ends of the 6 Chamber Pipes to improve ease of insertion into the Chamber Sockets.
- 7. Using priming fluid, clean all internal sockets of both Delta End Caps and each external end of the six Chamber Pipes.
- 8. Working with one Delta End Cap, apply solvent weld glue internally to a Chamber Socket and then externally to one of the Chamber Pipes. Bring the two together ensuring the pipe is inserted fully into the socket and hold until firm. Repeat this step for all remaining pipes until all six Chamber Pipes are glued into one Delta End Cap.
  - NOTE: All sockets of the Delta End Cap are stepped internally. The inner socket is for use with 100mm UPVC pipe and the outer socket for 4" SCH40 pipe. Only apply solvent weld glue to the socket relating to the pipe in use.











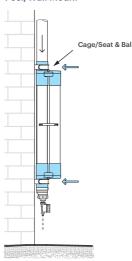
1c. Horizontal



- 9. Slide the Chamber Support Spacer over the open end of the Chamber Pipes and position approx. 200mm (8") from the unglued end.
- 10. Before completing the next step consider the installation position of your Delta and how the inlet and outlet should be oriented (Figure 2 - Delta Post/Wall - Inlet/ Outlet Positions).

Figure 2 Delta Post/Wall - Inlet/Outlet Positions

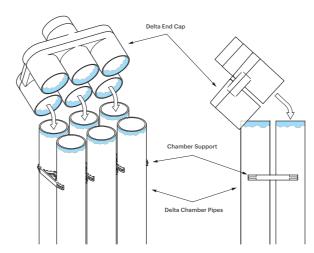
#### Post/Wall Mount



11. Working quickly, apply solvent weld glue to each of the six internal Chamber Sockets of the remaining Delta End Cap and then externally to the six Chamber Pipes. Quickly bring the Delta End Cap together with the six pipes by first aligning three pipes and sockets on one side and then rolling onto the remaining three pipes. Using some force, push the Delta End Cap down onto the Chamber Pipes ensuring the pipes enter the socket fully and hold in position until secure (Figure 3 - Delta Diagram).

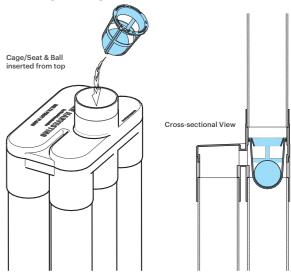
NOTE: refer to solvent weld glue manufacturers specifications and curing times.

**Delta Diagram** 



- 12. Move the Chamber Support Spacer down the Chamber Pipes to approximately the half way position ensuring the pipes will be supported evenly.
- 13. Insert Cage/Seat & Ball into the inlet (upstream) Delta End Cap, ensuring it is oriented correctly (Figure 4).

# Inserting the Cage/Seat and Ball



- 14. Place your assembled Delta in the Post/Wall Bracket and support the chamber as you fit your upper bracket around the inlet on the upper Delta End Cap and screw it to the wall or post.
  - CAUTION: failure to support the unit in the upright position while attaching the upper bracket could crack the bottom Chamber End Cap
- 15. Measure your existing pipe and cut to create space for the First Flush Plus Tee. Ensure all cut edges are clean and smooth then use priming fluid to clean all external pipe ends and internal sockets of the First Flush Plus Tee.
- 16. Install the First Flush Plus Tee to the existing pipe and extend the branch line of the Tee with 100mm (4") pipe to the inlet of the upper Delta End Cap using solvent weld glue.
- 17. Using a minimum of 170mm of 100mm pipe (3.5" of 4") and solvent weld glue, attach the 100mm-90mm (4"-3") Socket Reducer to the outlet (downstream) Delta End Cap.
- 18. Install the Primary Filter Screen, Transparent Rapid Release Exit Funnel, and Advanced Release Valve by following the instructions in Figure 5 (next page).

Figure 5

## Installing and setting up the Advanced Release Valve

5a. Insert the Primary Filter into the end of the First Flush chamber. It should fit snuggly into the socket on the end of the pipe.



5b. Install the Transparent Rapid Release Exit Funnel, ensuring the o-ring is seated correctly. It should be screwed up firmly to compress the o-ring.



5c. Attach the Advanced Release Valve by first installing the 25mm x 20mm (1" x 3/4") reducing adaptor and washer to the 25mm (1") thread of the screw cap.





5d. Remove the union from the valve and attach to the reducing adaptor with 20mm (3/4") washer in place.



5f. Remove the waterproof cover from the Advanced Release Valve.









Washer

5g. Ensure the reset interval and drain time control knobs are in the "RESET" and "CLOSED" positions. Carefully slide out the battery box and install two new 1.5-volt AAA batteries.





5h. Test the unit by turning the drain time knob to the "OPEN" position. You should hear the sound of the motor within 5 seconds. Turn the drain time knob back to the "CLOSED" position ready for setting.

NOTE: If you do not hear the sound of the motor, check that the batteries are installed correctly.







5i. Ensure that the reset interval and drain time knobs are in the "RESET" and "CLOSED" positions.

**NOTE:** The first time you program the Advance Release Valve it will not begin to operate until after a time delay equal to the setting of the reset interval knob you select. The Advance Release Valve starts to keep time when you set it. It is important that you set the timer at the hour you want it to operate. For example, if you want the Advance Release Valve to operate at 07:00AM, you must physically set it at 07:00AM.

Set your reset interval and drain time according to the tables in Figure 6, then replace the battery box cover. A long reset interval will mean that the first flush diversion chamber empties less frequently, leading to higher rainwater yield. A short reset interval will mean that the first flush diversion chamber empties more frequently, resulting in a lower water yield.

Figure 6
Advance Release Valve Reset and Drain Time Settings

Suggested Reset Setting	Pollution Level
1 day	Very high
2 days	Very high
3 days	High
4 days	Medium
5 days	Medium
1 week	Low
2 weeks	Very Low
4 weeks	Very Low
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Recommended drain time setting	Approx	. First Flush char	mber size	
5 minutes	20	litres 5.3	gallons	
10	40	10		
20	80	20		
30	120	30		
45	180	50		
60	240	60		
75	300	80		
100	400	100		
125	500	130		
150	600	160		

Figure 7 **Delta Diversion Chamber Calculator** 

AUSTRALIA		
Chamber Volume in Litres	Total Length in Millimetres	
30	185	
40	374	
50	564	
60	753	
70	942	
80	1132	
90	1321	
100	1511	
110	1700	
120	1889	
130	2079	
140	2268	
150	2458	
180	3026	
200	3405	

USA		
Chamber Volume in Gallons	Total Length in Inches	
8	4	
10	10	
12	16	
14	22	
18	34	
20	40	
24	52	
28	64	
32	76	
40	100	
45	115	
50	130	
56	148	
72	196	
80	220	

#### NOTE:

 $2\ x$  Delta End Caps hold approximately 20.24 litres. (Excluding the pipe sockets of chamber.)

The above figure is total volume of delta end cap excluding the liquid contained within the 6x pipe chambers.

 $2\ x$  Delta End Caps hold approximately 6.52 gallons. (Excluding the pipe sockets of chamber.)

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POLLUTION FACTOR FOR THE ROOF		
MINIMAL POLLUTION	SUBSTANTIAL POLLUTION	
DIVERT 0.5L PER M <sup>2</sup> Open field, no trees, no bird droppings, clean environment	DIVERT 2L PER M <sup>2</sup> Leaves and debris, bird droppings, various animal matter, e.g. dead insects, skinks, etc.	

The above quantum are the results of preliminary testing. Individual site analysis and field testing is required to more accurately assess the quantum to be diverted in each individual case.

DIVERSION FACTOR FOR A FIRST FLUSH WATER DIVERTER		
MINIMAL POLLUTION	SUBSTANTIAL POLLUTION	
M <sup>2</sup> ROOF AREA X POLLUTION FACTOR		
=		
LITRES TO BE DIVERTED		
Example for a minimal polluted roof of 100m <sup>2</sup> 100 x 0.5 = 50 Litres to be diverted	Example for a heavily polluted roof of 100m <sup>2</sup> 100 x 2 = 200 Litres to be diverted	

### MAINTENANCE

It's important to ensure that your first flush diverter outlet remains clear of any debris. If your outlet becomes blocked, the chamber will not empty and the first flush of water will not be diverted when it rains.

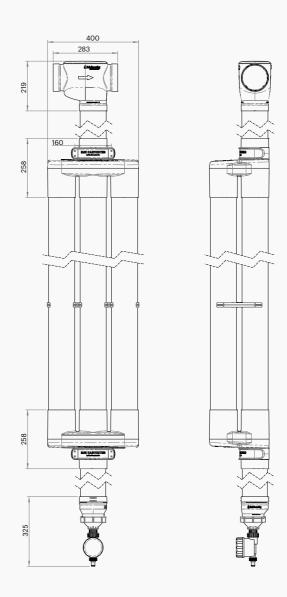
To ensure the flow of water out through your Advanced Release Valve, periodically remove from the Transparent Rapid Release Exit Funnel to check for any build-up of matter. Remove primary filter plus ball, and clean if required.

Periodically check that the Advanced Release Valve batteries have charge. This is indicated by the flashing light.

To protect your Advanced Release Valve from freezing or "winterising", remove the timer prior to the first frost or freeze and store it indoors until spring. Remember to remove the batteries from the battery compartment.

For best results and minimal maintenance, rain heads with 0.955mm aperture mesh such as Leaf Eater Rain Heads must be installed upstream of the Delta First Flush to limit the entry of debris that can reach your diverter.

#### PRODUCT DIMENSIONS



## Pipe Fitment

WDPW10	DN100 F	Fits over 100mm pipe
WDPW110	4" SCH40	Fits over 4" pipe

## ALL DIMENSIONS IN MM UNLESS OTHERWISE STATED.

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