



All DC Inverter Ultima Series Cooling Only Outdoor Unit **Installation Manual**

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 Read this Manual before the operation and keep it for reference.
 Read all safety precautions on the manual, improper use can cause serious injury.

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1 Preface to Part 3

1.1 Notes for Installers Boxes

The information contained in this Engineering Data Book may primarily be of use during the system design stage of a Midea Atom Series VRF project. Additional important information which may primarily be of use during field installation has been placed in boxes, such as the example below, titled "Notes for installers".

Notes for installers



 Notes for installers boxes contain important information which may primarily be of use during field installation, rather than during desk-based system design.

1.2 Definitions

In this Engineering Data Book, the term "applicable legislation" refers to all national, local and other laws, standards, codes, rules, regulations and other legislation that apply in a given situation.

1.3 Precautions

All system installation including installation of piping and electrical works must only be carried out by competent and suitably qualified, certified and accredited professionals and in accordance with all applicable legislation.

2 Unit Placement and Installation

2.1 Outdoor Units

2.1.1 Placement considerations

Placement of outdoor units should take account of the following considerations:

- Air conditioners should not be exposed to direct radiation from a high-temperature heat source.
- Air conditioners should not be installed in positions where dust or dirt may affect heat exchangers.
- Air conditioners should not be installed in locations where exposure to oil or to corrosive or harmful gases, such as
 acidic or alkaline gases, may occur.
- Air conditioners should not be installed in locations where exposure to salinity may occur unless the anti-corrosion treatment for high-salinity areas customization option has been added and the precautions described in Part 3, 9 "Installation in Areas of High Salinity" are taken.
- Outdoor units should be installed in well-drained, well-ventilated positions that are as close as possible to the indoor
 units.

2.1.2 Spacing

Outdoor units must be spaced such that sufficient air may flow through each unit. Sufficient airflow across heat exchangers is essential for outdoor units to function properly. Figures 3-2.1 to 3-2.3 show spacing requirements in three different scenarios.

Figure 3-2.1: Single unit installation (unit: mm)

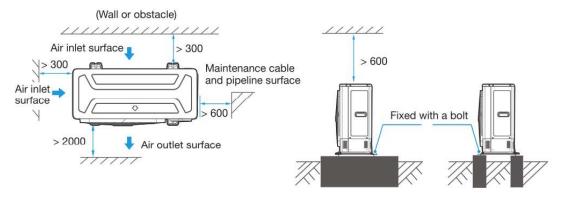


Figure 3-2.2: Parallel connect the two units or above (unit: mm)

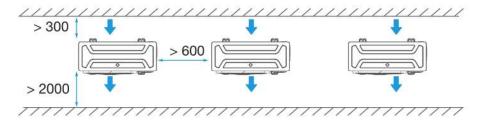
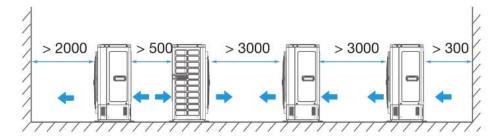


Figure 3-2.3: Parallel connect the front with rear sides (unit: mm)



2.1.3 Base structures

Outdoor unit base structure design should take account of the following considerations:

- A solid base prevents excess vibration and noise. Outdoor unit bases should be constructed on solid ground or on structures of sufficient strength to support the units' weight.
- Bases should be at least 200mm high to provide sufficient access for installation of piping.
- Either steel or concrete bases may be suitable.
- A typical concrete base design is shown in Figure 3-2.4. A typical concrete specification is 1 part cement, 2 parts sand and 6 parts crushed stone with Φ10mm steel reinforcing bar. The edges of the base should be chamfered.
- To ensure that all contact points are equally secure, bases should be completely level. Base design should ensure that the points on the units' bases designed for weight-bearing support are fully supported.
- A drainage ditch should be provided to allow drainage of condensate that may form on the heat exchangers when the units are running in heating mode. The drainage should ensure that condensate is directed away from roadways and footpaths, especially in locations where the climate is such that condensate may freeze.

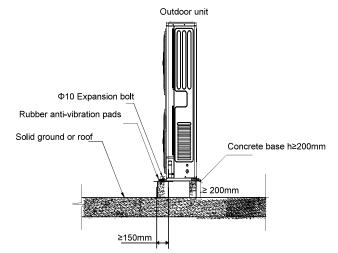


Figure 3-2.4: Outdoor unit typical concrete base structure design (unit: mm)

2.1.4 Centralized drainage

While installing the outdoor unit, pay attention to the installation place and the drainage pattern; if it's installed at the alpine zone, the frozen condensed water will block up the water outlet, please pull out the rubber stopper of the reserve water outlet. If that still fails to satisfy for the water draining, please knock open the other two water outlets, and keep the water can drain in time.

Pay attention to the knock the reserve water outlet from outside to inside, and it will be beyond repair after knocking open, please pay attention to the installation place, lest cause the inconvenience. Please do the moth proofing for the knocked out hole, to avoid the pest processing into and destroy the components.

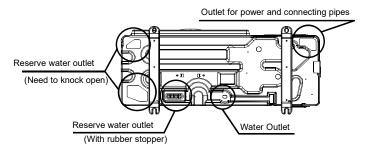


Figure 3-2.8: Centralized drainage

2.1.5 Acceptance and unpacking

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- When units are delivered check whether any damage occurred during shipment. If there is damage to the surface or outside of a unit, submit a written report to the shipping company.
- Check that the model, specifications and quantity of the units delivered are as ordered.
- Check that all accessories ordered have been included. Retain the Owner's Manual for future reference.

2.1.6 Hoisting

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- Do not remove any packaging before hoisting. If units are not packaged or if the packaging is damaged, use suitable boards or packing material to protect the units.
- Hoist one unit at a time, using two ropes to ensure stability.
- Keep units upright during hoisting, ensuring that the angle to the vertical does not exceed 30°.

2.2 Indoor Units

2.2.1 Placement considerations

Placement of indoor units should take account of the following considerations:

- Sufficient space for drain piping and for access during servicing and maintenance should be allowed.
- To ensure a good cooling/heating effect, short-circuit ventilation (where outlet air returns quickly to a unit's air inlet) should be avoided.
- To prevent excessive noise or vibration during operation, suspension rods or other weight-bearing fixings should typically be able to bear twice the unit's weight.

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- Before installing an indoor unit, check that the model to be installed is as specified in the construction drawings and confirm the correct orientation of the unit.
- Ensure that units are installed at the correct height.
- To allow smooth condensate drainage and to ensure unit stability (to prevent excessive noise or vibration), ensure that units are level to within 1° of the horizontal. If a unit is not level to within 1° of the horizontal, water leakage or abnormal vibration/noise may occur.

3 Refrigerant Piping Design

3.1 Design Considerations

Refrigerant piping design should take account of the following considerations:

- The amount of brazing required should be kept to a minimum.
- On the two inside sides of the first indoor branch joint ("A" in Figures 3-3.4 and Figure 3-3.5) the system should, as far as possible, be equal in terms of number of units, total capacities and total piping lengths.

3.2 Material Specification

Only seamless phosphorus-deoxidized copper piping that complies with all applicable legislation should be used. Temper grades and minimum thicknesses for different diameters of piping are specified in Table 3-3.1.

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Piping outer diameter (mm)	Temper ¹	Minimum thickness (mm)		
Ф6.35		0.8		
Ф9.53		0.8		
Ф12.7	M-type	1.0		
Ф15.9		1.0		
Ф19.1		1.0		
Ф22.2	V2-type	1.0		

Table 3-3.1: Piping temper and thickness

3.3 Connection Method

Various piping patterns can be selected, such as out from the front, the back the side, and undersurface, etc. (The follow display the locations of several piping and wiring knock-off interfaces)

Table 3-3.2: The indoor and outdoor connecting pipe interface

Front out pipe	Side out pipe	Back out pipe
Undersurface out pipe	The connect meth	nond of flaring
Fat pipe	Connecting Pipe (Accessorry) Front out pipe Bottom pipe For the 48kBtu/h outdoor unit's back out is suggestted to be used. For the 56kBtu/ suggestted to be used in all directions ou	t pipe connection, connecting pipe /h outdoor unit's, connecting pipe is

3.4 The Permitted Piping Lengths and Level Differences

The piping length and level difference requirements that apply are summarized in Table 3-3.2 and are fully described as follows (refer to Figure 3-3.1 and Figure 3-3.2):

Table 3-3.2: Summary of permitted refrigerant piping lengths and level differences

			Permitted value	Piping
			≤50m(12/18/21 model)	
	Tatal Blood Law ath/Astroni)		≤70m(28 model)	L1+L2+L3+a+b+c+d+e+f+g+h+i
	Total Pipe Length(Actua	1)	≤90m(36/42 model)	L1+L2+L3+a+b+C+u+e+i+g+ii+i
			≤130m(48/56/60 model)	
			≤25m(12/18/21 model)	
		Actual Length	≤35m(28 model)	11, (-
iPipe Length		Actual Length	≤45m(36/42 model)	L1+max (a,b,c,d,e,f)
, , , ,	Mayimum Dining		≤60m(48/56/60 model)	(the number of IDU less than 6)
	Maximum Piping Equ		≤30m(12/18/21 model)	L1+L2+max (a,b,c,d) or L1+L3+max (e,f,g,h,i)
		Equivalent Length	≤40m(28 model)	(the number of IDU more than 6)
			≤50m(36/42 model)	
			≤70m(48/56/60 model)	
	Pipe Length(IDU to the nearest branch)		≤20m	a,b,c,d,e,f,g,h,i
			≤10m (12/18/21/28 model)	
	Outdoor Unit	Outdoor Unit Up	≤20m (36/42 model)]
	Level difference		≤30m (48/56/60 model)]
Level difference	between IDU~ODU	Out de au Huit	≤10m (12/18/21/28 model)	
	Outdoor Unit Down	≤20m (36/42 model)		
		≤20m (48/56/60 model)]	
	Level difference between IDU~IDU		≤8m	

Figure 3-3.1: The number of IDU less than 6

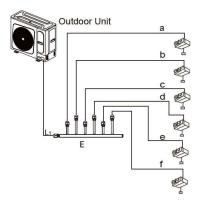


Figure 3-3.2: The number of IDU more than 6

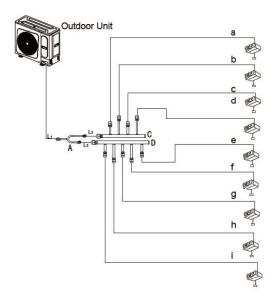


Table 3-3.3: Connectable indoor units

Outdoor unit model	Number of connected indoor units	Connectable indoor unit capacity range
BCHB015Q0A3-DTM040	1-3	
BCHB020Q0A3-DTM060	1-3	
BCHB025Q0A3-DTM070	1-3	
BCHB030Q0A4-DTM090	1-4	
BCHB040Q0A6-DTM115	1-6	45-130% outdoor unit's capacity
BCHB050Q0A7-DTM140	1-7	
BCHB060Q0A8-DTM160	1-8	
BCHB070Q0A9-DTM190	1-9	
BCHB080Q0A9-DTM200	1-9	

3.5 Selecting Piping Diameters

Tables 3-3.4 to 3-3.5 below, specify the required pipe diameters for the indoor and outdoor piping.

Table 3-3.4: Indoor unit connecting pipe diameters

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Total capacity of downstream inner units	Gas pipe (mm)	Liquid pipe (mm)	
A<19kBtu/h	Ф12.7	Ф6.35	
19≤A<52 kBtu/h	Ф15.9	Ф9.53	
A≥52kBtu/h	Ф19.1	Ф9.53	

Table 3-3.5: Outdoor unit connecting pipe diameters

Total capacity of downstream inner units	Main pipe size when the total equivalent piping length of liquid + air side is <90m Gas pipe (mm) Liquid pipe (mm)		equivalent p	when the total iping length side is ≥90m
			Gas pipe (mm)	Liquid pipe (mm)
A<19kBtu/h	Ф12.7	Ф6.35	Ф15.9	Ф9.53
19≤A<56kBtu/h	Ф15.9	Ф9.53	Ф19.1	Ф9.53
A≥56kBtu/h	Ф19.1	Ф9.53	Ф22.2	Ф9.53

Tables 3-3.6 to 3-3.7 below, specify the flexible branch header selection and piping sizes at the branch pipe.

Table 3-3.6: Flexible branch header selection

Connectable IDUs number	Model
2	BABH002NF-D2
3	BABH003NF-D3
4	BABH004NF-D4
5	BABH005NF-D5
6	BABH006NF-D6
7	BABH002NF-D2+BABH003NF-D3+BABH004NF-D4
8	BABH002NF-D2+BABH004NF-D4+BABH004NF-D4
9	BABH002NF-D2+BABH005NF-D5+BABH004NF-D4

Table 3-3.7: Piping sizes at the branch pipe

Refrigerant	Indoor Unit Capacity A(×100W)	Gas pipe (mm)	Liquid pipe (mm)
R410A	A≤15	12.7(Flaring nut)	6.35 (Flaring nut)
K410A	A≥19	15.9(Flaring nut)	9.53(Flaring nut)

Tables 3-3.8, specify the max difference, the length of refrigerant pipe and the number of bends When the outdoor unit connects one indoor unit.

Table 3-3.8: Summary of permitted refrigerant piping lengths and level differences (only one indoor unit)

Da - Jalli-Da (la)	The max height drop		The length of	The number
Model(kBtu/h)	Outdoor units is up	Outdoor units is down	refrigerant pipe(m)	of bends
12	10	10	20	
18	10	10	20	
21	10	10	20	
28	10	10	20	Less than 10
36	20	20	40	Less than 10
42	20	20	40	
48	30	20	60	
56	30	20	60	
60	30	20	60	

3.6 Refrigerant Amount to be Added

The Calculate the amount of the R410A refrigerant to be added based on the diameter and length of the liquid pipes of the ODU and IDUs.

When the outdoor unit connects 1 indoor unit:

Table 3-3.9:

Liquid Side Piping Diameter (mm)	Refrigerant to be Added Per Meter Piping (kg)
Ф6.4	0.022
Ф9.5	0.054
Ф12.7	0.110
Ф15.9	0.170

Branch joint refrigerant added amount:

Table 3-3.10:

Code	Liquid Side Piping Diameter (mm)	Refrigerant to be Added (kg)
A	BABH002NF-D2	Equal to 0.5m length of
A	BABITOUZNE-DZ	liquid piping
В	BABH003NF-D3	Equal to 1m length of
Б		liquid piping
С	BABH004NF-D4	Equal to 1m length of
C		liquid piping
D	BABH005NF-D5	Equal to 1m length of
		liquid piping
Г	BABH006NF-D6	Equal to 1m length of
E	5.12.13 36111 2 6	liquid piping

3.7 Refrigerant Leakage Precautions

R410A refrigerant is not flammable in air at temperatures up to 100°C at atmospheric pressure and is generally considered a safe substance to use in air conditioning systems. Nevertheless, precautions should be taken to avoid danger to life in the unlikely event of a major refrigerant leakage. Precautions should be taken in accordance with all applicable legislation. Where no applicable legislation exists, the following may be used as a guide:

- Air conditioned rooms should be large enough that if leakage of all the refrigerant in the system occurs, the concentration of the refrigerant in the room does not reach a level dangerous to health.
- A critical concentration (at which point R410A becomes dangerous to human health) of 0.3 kg/m³ can be used.
- The potential concentration of refrigerant in a room following a leak can be calculated as follows:
 - Calculate the total amount in of refrigerant in the system ("A") as the nameplate charge (the charge in the system when delivered from the factory) plus the additional charge added as per Part 3, 7.1 "Calculating Additional Refrigerant Charge".
 - Calculate the total volume ("B") of the smallest room into which refrigerant could potentially leak.
 - Calculate the potential refrigerant concentration as A divided by B.
 - If A/B is not less than 0.3 kg/m³, countermeasures such installing mechanical ventilators (either ventilating regularly or controlled by refrigerant leakage detectors) should be taken.
- Since R410A is heavier than air, particular consideration should be given to leak scenarios in basement rooms.

Figure 3-3.7: Potential refrigerant leak scenario

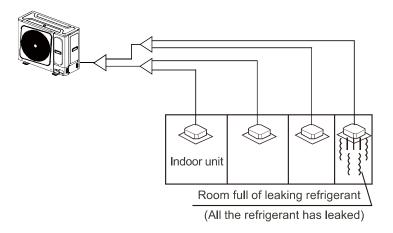
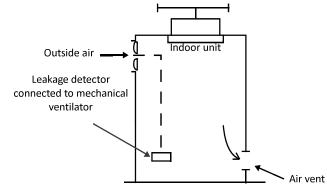


Figure 3-3.8: Mechanical ventilator controlled by refrigerant leak detector



4 Refrigerant Piping Installation

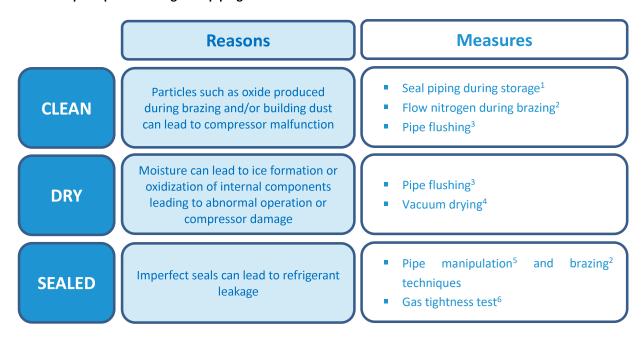
4.1 Procedure and Principles

4.1.1 Installation procedure

Installation of the refrigerant piping system should proceed in the following order: Pipe Installation Pipe brazing Insulation Pipe flushing Pipe flushing

Note: Pipe flushing should be performed once the brazed connections have been completed with the exception of the final connections to the indoor units. That is, flushing should be performed once the outdoor unit have been connected but before the indoor units are connected.

4.1.2 Three principles for refrigerant piping



Notes:

- 1. See Part 3, 4.2.1 "Pipe delivery, storage and sealing".
- 2. See Part 3, 4.5 "Brazing".
- 3. See Part 3, 4.7 "Pipe Flushing".
- 4. See Part 3, 4.9 "Vacuum Drying".
- 5. See Part 3, 4.3 "Manipulating Copper Piping".
- 6. See Part 3, 4.8 "Gastightness Test".

4.2 Storing Copper Piping

4.2.1 Pipe delivery, storage and sealing

Notes for installers



- Ensure that piping does not get bent or deformed during delivery or whilst stored.
- On construction sites store piping in a designated location.
- To prevent dust or moisture entering, piping should be kept sealed whilst in storage and until it is about to be connected. If piping is to be used soon, seal the openings with plugs or adhesive tape. If piping is to be stored for a long time, charge the piping with nitrogen at 0.2-0.5MPa and seal the openings by brazing.
- Storing piping directly on the ground risks dust or water ingress. Wooden supports can be used to raise piping off the ground.
- During installation, ensure that piping to be inserted through a hole in a wall is sealed to ensure dust and/or fragments of wall do not enter.
- Be sure to seal piping being installed outdoors (especially if being installed vertically) to prevent rain entering.

4.3 Manipulating Copper Piping

4.3.1 De-oiling

Notes for installers



■ Lubrication oil used during some copper pipe manufacturing processes can cause deposits to form in R410A refrigerant systems, causing system errors. Oil-free copper piping should therefore be selected. If ordinary (oily) copper piping is used, it must be cleaned with gauze dipped in tetrachloroethylene solution prior to installation.

Caution

■ Never use carbon tetrachloride (CCl₄) for pipe cleansing or flushing, as doing so will seriously damage the system.

4.3.2 Cutting copper piping and removing burrs

Notes for installers



- Use a pipe cutter rather than a saw or cutting machine to cut piping. Rotate the piping evenly and slowly, applying even force to ensure that the piping does not become deformed during cutting. Using a saw or cutting machine to cut piping runs the risk of copper shavings entering the piping. Copper shavings are difficult to remove and pose a serious risk to the system if they enter the compressor or block the throttling unit.
- After cutting using a pipe cutter, use a reamer/scraper to remove any burrs that have formed at the opening, keeping the opening of the piping downwards to avoid copper shavings from entering the piping.
- Remove burrs carefully to avoid scratches, which may prevent a proper seal being formed and lead to refrigerant leakage.

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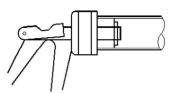


- Ends of copper piping can be expanded so that another length of piping can be inserted and the joint brazed.
- Insert the expanding head of the pipe expander into the pipe. After completing pipe expansion, rotate the copper pipe a few degrees to rectify the straight line mark left by the expanding head.

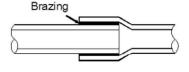
Caution

Ensure that the expanded section of piping is smooth and even. Remove any burrs that remain after cutting.

Figure 3-4.1: Expanding copper piping ends







4.3.4 Flared joints

Flared joints should be used where a screw thread connection is required.

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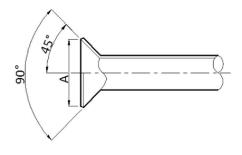


- Before flaring 1/2H (half hard) piping, anneal the end of the pipe to be flared.
- Remember to place the flare nut on the piping before flaring.
- Ensure the flared opening is not cracked, deformed or scratched, otherwise it will not form a good seal and refrigerant leakage may occur.
- The diameter of the flared opening should be within the ranges specified in Table 3-4.1. Refer to Figure 3-4.2.

Table 3-4.1: Flared opening size ranges

Pipe (mm)	Flared opening diameter (A) (mm)
Ф6.35	8.3 - 8.7
Ф9.53	12.0 -12.4
Ф12.7	15.4 - 15.8
Ф15.9	18.6 - 19.0
Ф19.1	22.9 - 23.3

Figure 3-4.2: Flared opening



When connecting a flared joint, apply some compressor oil to the inner and outer surfaces of the flared opening to facilitate the connection and rotation of the flare nut, ensure firm connection between the sealing surface and the bearing surface, and avoid the pipe becoming deformed.

4.3.5 Bending piping

Bending copper piping reduces the number of brazed joints required and can improve quality and save material.

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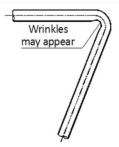


Piping bending methods

- Hand bending is suitable for thin copper piping (Φ6. 35mm Φ12. 7mm).
- Mechanical bending (using a bending spring, manual bending machine or powered bending machine) is suitable for a wide range of diameters (Φ6. 35mm - Φ54.0mm).

Caution

- When using a spring bender, ensure that the bender is clean Figure 3-4.3: Pipe bending in excess of 90° before inserting it in the piping.
- After bending a copper pipe, ensure that there are no wrinkles or deformation on either side of the pipe.
- Ensure that bend angles do not exceed 90°, otherwise wrinkles may appear on the inner side of the pipe, and the pipe may buckle or crack. Refer to Figure 3-4.3.
- Do not use a pipe that has buckled during the bending process; ensure that the cross section at the bend is greater than 2/3 of the original area.



4.4 Refrigerant Piping Supports

When the air conditioner is running, the refrigerant piping will deform (shrink, expand, droop). To avoid damage to piping, hangers or supports should be spaced as per the criteria in the Table 3-4.2. In general, the gas and liquid pipes should be suspended in parallel and the interval between support points should be selected according to the diameter of the gas pipe.

Table 3-4.2: Refrigerant piping support spacings

Dino (mm)	Interval between support points (m)			
Pipe (mm)	Horizontal Piping	Vertical Piping		
< Ф20	1	1.5		
Ф20 – Ф40	1.5	2		
> Ф40	2	2.5		

Suitable insulation should be provided between the piping and the supports. If wooden dowels or blocks are to be used, use wood that has undergone preservative treatment.

Changes in refrigerant flow direction and refrigerant temperature result in movement, expansion and shrinkage of the refrigerant piping. Piping should therefore not be fixed too tightly, otherwise stress concentrations may occur in the piping, with the potential for rupturing.

4.5 Brazing

Care must be taken to prevent oxide forming on the inside of copper piping during brazing. The presence of oxide in a refrigerant system adversely affects the operation of valves and compressors, potentially leading to low efficiency or even compressor failure. To prevent oxidation, during brazing nitrogen should be flowed through the refrigerant piping.

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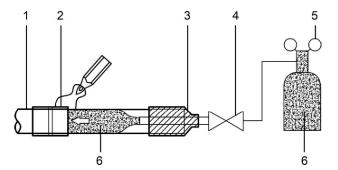
Warning

- Never flow oxygen through piping as doing so aids oxidation and could easily lead to explosion and as such is extremely dangerous.
- Take appropriate safety precautions such as having a fire extinguisher to hand whilst brazing.

Flowing nitrogen during brazing

- Use a pressure reducing valve to flow nitrogen through copper piping at 0.02-0.03MPa during brazing.
- Start the flow before brazing starts and ensure that the nitrogen continuously passes through the section being brazed until the brazing is complete and the copper has cooled down completely.

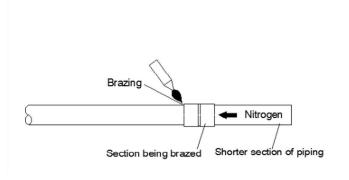
Figure 3-4.4: Flowing nitrogen through piping during brazing

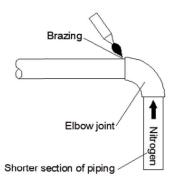


Legend			
1	Copper piping		
2	Section being brazed		
3	Nitrogen connection		
4	Hand valve		
5	Pressure-reducing valve		
6	Nitrogen		

- When joining a shorter section of piping to a longer section, flow nitrogen from the shorter side to allow better displacement of air with nitrogen.
- If the distance from the point where nitrogen enters the piping to the joint to be brazed is long, ensure that the nitrogen is flowed for sufficient time to discharge all the air from the section to be brazed before commencing brazing.

Figure 3-4.5: Flowing nitrogen from shorter side during brazing



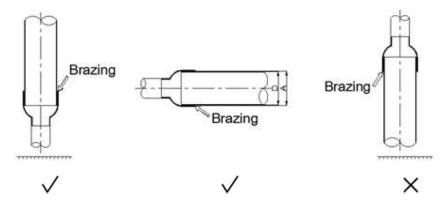


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Piping orientation during brazing

Brazing should be conducted downwards or horizontally to avoid filler leakage.

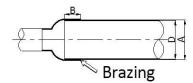
Figure 3-4.6: Piping orientation during brazing



Piping overlap during brazing

Table 3-4.3 specifies the minimum permissible piping overlap and the range of permissible gap sizes for brazed joints on piping of different diameters. Refer also to Figure 3-4.7.

Figure 3-4.7: Piping overlap and gap for brazed joints



Legend		
А	Inner diameter of larger pipe	
D	Outer diameter of smaller pipe	
В	Inlaid depth (overlap)	

Table 3-4.3: Piping overlap and gap for brazed joints¹

D (mm)	Minimum permissible B (mm)	Permissible A – D (mm)	
5 < D < 8	6	0.05 - 0.21	
8 < D < 12	7	0.03 - 0.21	
12 < D < 16	8	0.05 - 0.27	
16 < D < 25	10	0.05 - 0.27	
25 < D < 35	12	0.05 - 0.35	
35 < D < 45	14	0.05 - 0.35	

Notes:

1. A, B, D refer to the dimensions shown in Figure 3-4.7.

Filler

- Use a copper/phosphorus brazing alloy (BCuP) filler that does not require flux.
- Do not use flux. Flux can cause corrosion of piping and can affect the performance of compressor oil.
- Do not use anti-oxidants when brazing. Residue can clog piping and damage components.

4.6 Branch Joints

Notes for installers



- Use U-shaped branch joints as specified on the construction drawings – do not replace U-shaped branch joints with tee joints.
- Indoor branch joints may be installed either horizontally or vertically. Horizontal branch joints must be installed at an angle to the horizontal not exceeding 10° in order to avoid uneven distribution of refrigerant and possible malfunction. Refer to Figure 3-4.8.
- To ensure even distribution of refrigerant, a limitation is placed on how close branch joints may be installed to bends, other branch joints and the straight sections of piping leading to indoor units. Refer to Part 3, "Branch Joints".

U-shaped branching pipe

A direction view

Wrong Correct

10°

Horizontal surface

Figure 3-4.8: Branch joint orientation

4.7 Pipe Flushing

4.7.1 Purpose

To remove dust, other particles and moisture, which could cause compressor malfunction if not flushed out before the system is run, the refrigerant piping should be flushed using nitrogen. As described in Part 3, 4.1.1 "Installation procedure", pipe flushing should be performed once the piping connections have been completed with the exception of the final connections to the indoor units. That is, flushing should be performed once the outdoor units have been connected but before the indoor units are connected.

Notes for installers



Warning

Only use nitrogen for flushing. Using carbon dioxide risks leaving condensation in the piping. Oxygen, air, refrigerant, flammable gases and toxic gases must not be used for flushing. Use of such gases may result in fire or explosion.

Procedure

The liquid and gas sides can be flushed simultaneously; alternatively, one side can be flushed first and then Steps 1 to 8 repeated, for the other side. The flushing procedure is as follows:

- 1. Cover the inlets and outlets of the indoor units to prevent dirt getting blown in during pipe flushing. (Pipe flushing should be carried out before connecting the indoor units to the piping system.)
- 2. Attach a pressure reducing valve to a nitrogen cylinder.
- 3. Connect the pressure reducing valve outlet to the inlet on the liquid (or gas) side of the outdoor unit.
- 4. Use blind plugs to block all liquid (gas) side openings, except for the opening at the indoor unit which is furthest from the outdoor unit ("Indoor unit A" in Figure 3-4.9).
- 5. Start to open the nitrogen cylinder valve and gradually increase the pressure to 0.5MPa.
- 6. Allow time for nitrogen to flow as far as the opening at indoor unit A.
- 7. Flush the first opening:
 - a) Using suitable material, such as a bag or cloth, press firmly against the opening at indoor unit A.
 - b) When the pressure becomes too high to block with your hand, suddenly remove your hand allowing gas to rush out.
 - c) Repeatedly flush in this manner until no further dirt or moisture is emitted from the piping. Use a clean cloth to check for dirt or moisture being emitted. Seal the opening once it has been flushed.
- 8. Flush the other openings in the same manner, working in sequence from indoor unit A towards the outdoor unit. Refer to Figure 3-4.10.
- 9. Once flushing is complete, seal all openings to prevent dust and moisture from entering.

Figure 3-4.9: Pipe flushing using nitrogen

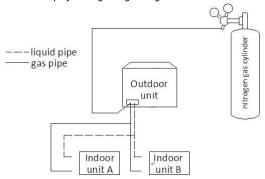
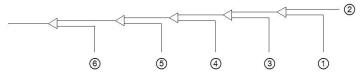


Figure 3-4.10: Pipe flushing sequence¹



Notes:

1. 1-2-3-4-5-6 working towards the outdoor unit.

4.8 Gastightness Test

4.8.1 Purpose

To prevent faults caused by refrigerant leakage, a gastightness test should be performed before system commissioning.

4.8.2 Procedure

Notes for installers



Warning

Only dry nitrogen should be used for gastightness testing. Oxygen, air, flammable gases and toxic gases must not be used for gastightness testing. Use of such gases may result in fire or explosion.

Procedure

The gastightness test procedure is as follows:

Step 1

 Once the piping system is complete and the indoor and outdoor units have been connected, vacuum the piping to -0.1MPa.

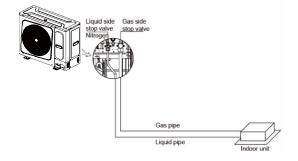
Step 2

- Charge the indoor piping with nitrogen at 0.3MPa through the needle valves on the liquid and gas stop valves and leave for at least 3 minutes (do not open the liquid or gas stop valves). Observe the pressure gauge to check for large leakages. If there is a large leakage, the pressure gauge will drop quickly.
- If there are no large leakages, charge the piping with nitrogen at 1.5MPa and leave for at least 3 minutes. Observe the pressure gauge to check for small leakages. If there is a small leakage, the pressure gauge will drop distinctly.
- If there are no small leakages, charge the piping with nitrogen at 4.0MPa and leave for at least 24 hours to check for micro leakages. Micro leakages are difficult to detect. To check for micro leakages, allow for any change in ambient temperature over the test period by adjusting the reference pressure by 0.01MPa per 1°C of temperature difference. Adjusted reference pressure = Pressure at pressurization + (temperature at observation temperature at pressurization) x 0.01MPa. Compare the observed pressure with the adjusted reference pressure. If they are the same, the piping has passed the gastightness test. If the observed pressure is lower than the adjusted reference pressure, the piping has a micro leakage.
- If the leakage is detected, refer to Part 3, 4.8.3 "Leak detection". Once the leak has been found and fixed, the gastightness test should be repeated.

Step 3

■ If not continuing straight to vacuum drying (see Part 3, 4.9 "Vacuum Drying") once the gastightness test is complete, reduce the system pressure to 0.5-0.8MPa and leave the system pressurized until ready to carry out the vacuum drying procedure.

Figure 3-4.11: Gastightness test



4.8.3 Leak detection

Notes for installers



The general methods for identifying the source of a leak are as follows:

- 1. Audio detection: relatively large leaks are audible.
- 2. Touch detection: place your hand at joints to feel for escaping gas.
- 3. Soapy water detection: small leaks can be detected by the formation of bubbles when soapy water is applied to a joint.
- 4. Refrigerant leak detection: for leaks that are difficult to detect, refrigerant leak detection may be used as follows:
 - a) Pressurize the piping with nitrogen at 0.3MPa.
 - b) Add refrigerant into the piping until the pressure reaches 0.5MPa.
 - c) Use a halogen refrigerant detector to find the leak.
 - d) If the leak source cannot be found, continuing charging with refrigerant to a pressure of 4MPa and then search again.

4.9 Vacuum Drying

4.9.1 Purpose

Vacuum drying should be performed in order to remove moisture and non-condensable gases from the system. Removing moisture prevents ice formation and oxidization of copper piping or other internal components. The presence of ice particles in the system would cause abnormal operation, whilst particles of oxidized copper can cause compressor damage. The presence of non-condensable gases in the system would lead to pressure fluctuations and poor heat exchange performance.

Vacuum drying also provides additional leak detection (in addition to the gas tightness test).

Notes for installers



During vacuum drying, a vacuum pump is used to lower the pressure in the piping to the extent that any moisture present evaporates. At 5mmHg (755mmHg below typical atmospheric pressure) the boiling point of water is 0°C. Therefore a vacuum pump capable of maintaining a pressure of -756mmHg or lower should be used. Using a vacuum pump with a discharge in excess of 4L/s and a precision level of 0.02mmHg is recommended.

Caution

- Before performing vacuum drying, make sure that all the outdoor unit stop valves are firmly closed.
- Once the vacuum drying is complete and the vacuum pump is stopped, the low pressure in the piping could suck vacuum pump lubricant into the air conditioning system. The same could happen if the vacuum pump stops unexpectedly during the vacuum drying procedure. Mixing of pump lubricant with compressor oil could cause compressor malfunction and a one-way valve should therefore be used to prevent vacuum pump lubricant seeping into the piping system.

Procedure

The vacuum drying procedure is as follows:

Step 1

• Connect the blue (low pressure side) hose of a pressure gauge to the outdoor unit gas pipe stop valve, the red (high pressure side) hose to the outdoor unit liquid pipe stop valve and the yellow hose to the vacuum pump.

Step 2

- Start the vacuum pump and then open the pressure gauge valves to start vacuum the system.
- After 30 minutes, close the pressure gauge valves.
- After a further 5 to 10 minutes check the pressure gauge. If the gauge has returned to zero, check for leakages in the refrigerant piping.

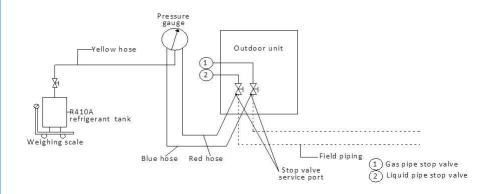
Step 3

Re-open the pressure gauge valves and continue vacuum drying for at least 2 hours and until a pressure difference of 756mmHg or more has been achieved. Once the pressure difference of at least 756mmHg has been achieved, continue vacuum drying for 2 hours.

Step 4

- Close the pressure gauge valves and then stop the vacuum pump.
- After 1 hour, check the pressure gauge. If the pressure in the piping has not increased, the procedure is finished.
 If the pressure has increased, check for leakages.
- After vacuum drying, keep the blue and red hoses connected to the pressure gauge and to the outdoor unit stop valves, in preparation for refrigerant charging (see Part 3, 7 "Charging Refrigerant").

Figure 3-4.12: Vacuum drying





Pressure gauge

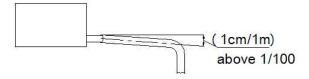
5 Drain Piping

5.1 Design Considerations

Drain piping design should take account of the following considerations:

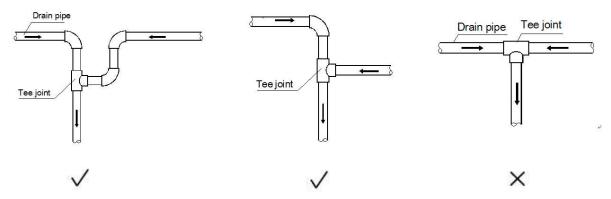
- Indoor unit condensate drain piping needs to be of sufficient diameter to carry the volume of condensate produced at the indoor units and installed at a slope sufficient to allow drainage. Discharge as close as possible to the indoor units is usually preferable.
- To prevent the drain piping becoming excessively long, consideration should be given to installing multiple drain piping systems, with each system having its own drainage point and providing drainage for a subset of the overall set of indoor units.
- The routing of drain piping should take into consideration the need to maintain sufficient slope for drainage whilst avoiding obstacles such as beams and ducting. The drain piping slope should be at least 1:100 away from indoor units. Refer to Figure 3-5.1.

Figure 3-5.1: Drain piping minimum slope requirement



To avoid backflow and other potential complications, two horizontal drain pipes should not meet at the same level. Refer to the Figure 3-5.2 for suitable connection arrangements. Such arrangements also allow the slope of the two horizontal pipes to be selected independently.

Figure 3-5.2: Drain piping joints – correct and incorrect configurations



- Branch drain piping should join main drain piping from the top, as shown in Figure 3-5.3.
- Recommended support/hanger spacing is 0.8 1.0m for horizontal piping and 1.5 – 2.0m for vertical piping. Each vertical section should be fitted with at least two supports. For horizontal piping, spacing greater than those recommended leads to sagging and deformation of the pipe profile at the supports which impedes water flow and should therefore be avoided.
- Air vents should be fitted at the highest point of each drain piping system to ensure that condensation is discharged smoothly. U-bends or elbow joints should be used such that the vents face downwards, to prevent dust entering the piping. Refer to Figure 3-5.5. Air vents should not be

Figure 3-5.3: Branch drain piping joining main drain piping

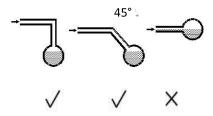
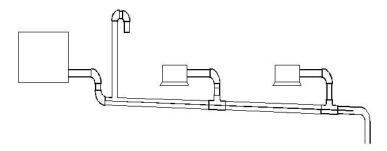


Figure 3-5.4: Effect of insufficient drain piping support



installed too close to indoor unit lift pumps.

Figure 3-5.5: Drain piping air vents

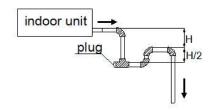


- Air conditioner drain piping should be installed separately from waste, rainwater and other drain piping and should not come into direct contact with the ground.
- Drain piping diameter should be not less than the indoor units' drain piping connection.
- To allow inspection and maintenance, the piping clamps shipped with units should be used to attach drain piping to indoor units adhesive should not be used.
- Thermal insulation should be added to drain piping to prevent condensation forming. Thermal insulation should extend all the way to the connection with the indoor unit.
- Units with drain pumps should have separate drain piping systems from systems that use natural drainage.

5.2 Water Traps

For indoor units with a high negative pressure differential at the outlet of the drainage pan, a trap should be fitted to the drain piping to prevent poor drainage and/or water being blown back into the drainage pan. Traps should be arranged as in Figure 3-5.6. The vertical separation H should be in excess of 50mm. A plug may be fitted to allow cleaning or inspection.

Figure 3-5.6: Drain piping water traps



5.3 Selecting Piping Diameters

Select branch drainage piping (the drain piping connection to each unit)

diameters according to indoor unit flow volume and select main drainage piping diameters according to the combined flow volume of the upstream indoor units. Use a design assumption of 2 liters of condensate per horsepower per hour. For example, the combined flow volume of three 2HP units and two 1.5HP units would be calculated as follows:

Combined flow volume = 3 x
$$2 L/HP/h \times 2HP$$
 = $18 L/h$ + $2 \times 2 L/HP/h \times 1.5HP$

Tables 3-5.1 and 3-5.2 specify the required piping diameters for horizontal and vertical branch piping and for main piping. Note that main piping should use PVC40 or larger.

Table 3-5.1: Horizontal drain piping diameters

DVC mining	Nominal	Capacity (L/h)		Remarks	
PVC piping diameter (mm)		Slope 1:50	Slope 1:100	Kemarks	
PVC25	25	39	27	Dranch mining only	
PVC32	32	70	50	Branch piping only	
PVC40	40	125	88		
PVC50	50	247	175	Branch or main piping	
PVC63	63	473	334		

Table 3-5.2: Vertical drain piping diameters

PVC piping	Nominal diameter (mm)	Capacity (L/h)	Remarks
PVC25	25	220	Dranch nining only
PVC32	32	410	Branch piping only
PVC40	40	730	
PVC50	50	1440	
PVC63	63	2760	Branch or main piping
PVC75	75	5710	
PVC90	90	8280	

5.4 Drain Piping for Units with Lift Pumps

Drain piping for units with lift pumps should take account of the following additional considerations:

- A downward sloping section should immediately follow the vertically rising section adjacent to the unit, otherwise a water pump error will occur. Refer to Figure 3-5.7.
- Air vents should not be installed on vertically rising sections of drain piping, otherwise water may be discharged through the air vent or water flow may be impeded.

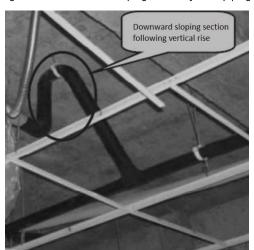


Figure 3-5.7: Downward sloping section of drain piping

5.5 Drain Piping Installation

Notes for installers

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Installation of the drain piping should proceed in the following order:

Indoor unit installation

Drain piping installation

Water tightness

Drain piping insulation

Caution

- Ensure that all joints are firm and once the drain piping is all connected conduct a water tightness test and water flow test.
- Do not connect air conditioner drain piping to waste, rainwater or other drain piping and do not let air conditioner drain piping come into direct contact with the ground.
- For units with drain pumps, test that the drain pump functions properly by adding water to the unit's drainage pan and running the unit. To allow inspection and maintenance, the pipe clamps shipped with units should be used to attach drain piping to indoor units adhesive should not be used.

5.6 Water tightness Test and Water Flow Test

Once installation of a drainage piping system is complete, water tightness and water flow tests should be performed.

Notes for installers



Water tightness test

• Fill the piping with water and test for leakages over a 24-hour period.

Water flow test (natural drainage test)

Slowly fill the drainage pan of each indoor unit with at least 600ml of water through the inspection port and check that the water is discharged through the outlet of the drain piping.

Caution

■ The drain plug in the drainage pan is for removing accumulated water prior to performing indoor unit maintenance. During normal operation, the drain should be plugged to prevent leakage.

6 Insulation

6.1 Refrigerant Piping Insulation

6.1.1 Purpose

During operation, the temperature of the refrigerant piping varies. Insulation is required to ensure unit performance and compressor lifespan. During cooling, the gas pipe temperature can be very low. Insulation prevents condensation forming on the piping. During heating, the gas pipe temperature can rise to as high as 100°C. Insulation serves as necessary protection from burns.

6.1.2 Selecting insulation materials

Refrigerant piping insulation should be closed-cell foam of B1 fire resistance rating that can withstand a constant temperature of over 120°C and that complies with all applicable legislation.

6.1.3 Thickness of insulation

Carry out heat insulation treatment for the pipes at the gas and liquid sides respectively. Pipes on the liquid and air sides have a low temperature during cooling. Take sufficient insulation measures to prevent condensation. Minimum thicknesses for refrigerant piping insulation are specified in Table 3-6.1.

Table 3-6.1: Refrigerant piping insulation thickness

Pipe outer diameter (mm)	Minimum insulation thickness (mm)
Ф6.35	
Ф9.53	15
Ф12.7	
Ф15.9	
Ф19.1	
Ф22.2	20
Ф25.4	
Ф28.6	

6.1.4 Installation of piping insulation

With the exception of joint insulation, insulation should be applied to piping before fixing the piping in place. Insulation at joints in refrigerant piping should be applied after the gas tightness test has been completed.

Notes for installers



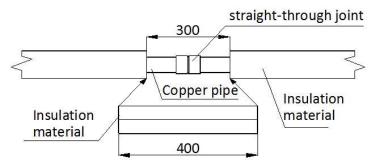
- Installation of insulation should be carried out in a manner suited to the type of insulation material being used.
- Ensure there are no gaps at the joints between sections of insulation.
- Do not apply tape too tightly as doing so may shrink insulation, reducing its insulating properties leading to condensation and loss of efficiency.
- Insulate gas and liquid pipes separately, otherwise heat exchange between the two sides will greatly impact efficiency.
- Do not bind the separately insulated gas and liquid pipes together too tightly as doing so can damage the joints between sections of insulation.

6.1.5 Installation of joint insulation

Insulation at joints in the refrigerant piping should be installed after the gas tightness test has been successfully completed. The procedure at each joint is as follows:

- 1. Cut a section of insulation 50 to 100mm longer than the gap to be filled. Ensure that the cross-sectional and longitudinal openings are all cut evenly.
- 2. Embed the section into the gap ensuring that the ends abut tightly to the sections of insulation either side of the gap.
- 3. Glue the longitudinal cut and the joints with the sections of insulation either side of the gap.
- 4. Seal the seams with tape.

Figure 3-6.1: Installation of joint insulation (unit: mm)



6.2 Drain Piping Insulation

- Use rubber/plastic insulating tube with a B1 fire resistance rating.
- The insulation should typically be in excess of 10mm thick.
- For drain piping installed inside a wall, insulation is not required.
- Use suitable adhesive to seal seams and joints in the insulation and then bind with cloth reinforced tape of width not less than 50mm. Ensure tape is fixed firmly to avoid condensation.
- Ensure the drain piping insulation adjacent to the indoor unit drainage water outlet is fixed to the unit itself using adhesive, to prevent condensation and dripping.

6.3 Ducting Insulation

Suitable insulation should be added to ducting in according with all applicable legislation.

7 Charging Refrigerant

7.1 Calculating Additional Refrigerant Charge

The additional refrigerant charge required depends on the lengths and diameters of the outdoor and indoor liquid pipes. Table 3-7.1 shows the additional refrigerant charge required per meter of equivalent pipe length for different diameters of pipe. The total additional refrigerant charge is obtained by summing the additional charge requirements for each of the outdoor and indoor liquid pipes, as in the following formula, where L_1 to L_8 represent the equivalent lengths of the pipes of different diameters. Assume 0.5m for the equivalent pipe length of each branch joint.

Additional refrigerant charge R (kg)

- $L_1(\Phi 6.35) \times 0.022$
- + $L_2(\Phi 9.53) \times 0.054$
- + L_3 (Φ 12.7) × 0.110
- + L_4 (**Φ15.9**) × 0.170

Table 3-7.1: Additional refrigerant charge

Liquid side piping (mm)	Additional refrigerant charge per meter of equivalent length of piping (kg)
Ф6.35	0.022
Ф9.53	0.054
Ф12.7	0.110
Ф15.9	0.170

7.2 Adding Refrigerant

Notes for installers



Caution

- Only charge refrigerant after performing a gas tightness test and vacuum drying.
- Never charge more refrigerant than required as doing so can lead to liquid hammering.
- Only use refrigerant R410A charging with an unsuitable substance may cause explosions or accidents.
- Use tools and equipment designed for use with R410A to ensure required pressure resistance and to prevent foreign materials from entering the system.
- Refrigerant must be treated in accordance with applicable legislation.
- Always use protective gloves and protect your eyes when charging refrigerant.
- Open refrigerant containers slowly.

Procedure

The procedure for adding refrigerant is as follows:

Step 1

Calculate additional refrigerant charge R (kg) (see Part 3, 7.1 "Calculating Additional Refrigerant Charge")

Step 2

- Place a tank of R410A refrigerant on a weighing scale. Turn the tank upside down to ensure refrigerant is charged in a liquid state. (R410A is a blend of two different chemicals compounds. Charging gaseous R410A into the system could mean that the refrigerant charged is not of the correct composition).
- After vacuum drying (see Part 3, 4.9 "Vacuum Drying"), the blue and red pressure gauge hoses should still be connected to the pressure gauge and to the master unit stop valves.
- Connect the yellow hose from the pressure gauge to the R410A refrigerant tank.

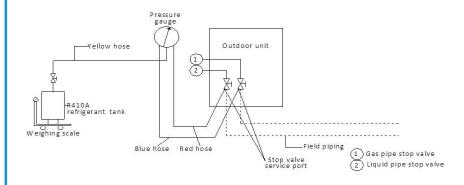
Step 3

- Open the valve where the yellow hose meets the pressure gauge, and open the refrigerant tank slightly to let the refrigerant eliminate the air. Caution: open the tank slowly to avoid freezing your hand.
- · Set the weighing scale to zero.

Step 4

- Open the three valves on the pressure gauge to begin charging refrigerant.
- When the amount charged reaches R (kg), close the three valves. If the amount charged has not reached R (kg) but no additional refrigerant can be charged, close the three valves on the pressure gauge, run the outdoor unit in cooling mode, and then open the yellow and blue valves. Continue charging until the full R (kg) of refrigerant has been charged, then close the yellow and blue valves. Note: Before running the system, be sure to complete all the pre-commissioning checks as listed in Part 3, 10.2 "Pre-commissioning Checks" and be sure to open all stop valves as running the system with the stop valves closed would damage the compressor.

Figure 3-7.1: Charging refrigerant





Pressure gauge

8 Electrical Wiring

8.1 General

Notes for installers



Caution

- All installation and wiring must be carried out by competent and suitably qualified, certified and accredited professionals and in accordance with all applicable legislation.
- Electrical systems should be grounded in accordance with all applicable legislation.
- Overcurrent circuit breakers and residual-current circuit breakers (ground fault circuit interrupters) should be used in accordance with all applicable legislation.
- Wiring patterns shown in this data book are general connection guides only and are not intended for, or to include all details for, any specific installation.
- The refrigerant piping, power wiring and communication wiring are typically run in parallel. However the communication wiring should not be bound together with the refrigerant piping or power wiring. To prevent signal interference, the power wiring and communication wiring should not be run in the same conduit. If the power supply is less than 10A, a separation of at least 300mm between power wiring and communication wiring conduits should be maintained; if the power supply is in the range 10A to 50A then a separation of at least 500mm should be maintained.

8.2 Power Supply Wiring

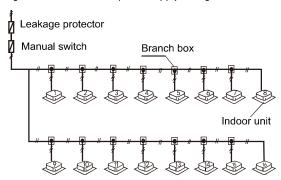
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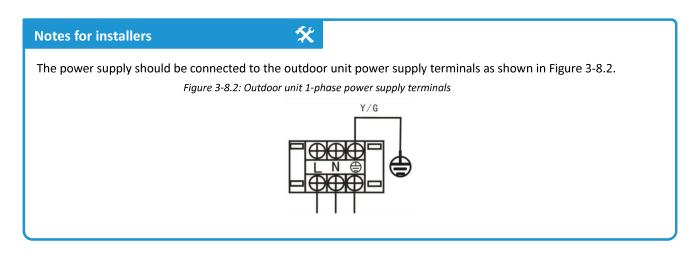
- Separate power supplies should be provided for the indoor units and outdoor unit.
- Where five or more outdoor units are installed, additional residual current protection (leakage protection) should be installed.
- All the indoor units in a system (i.e. all the indoor units connected to the same outdoor unit) should be tied into the same power circuit with the same power supply, overcurrent and residual current protection (leakage protection) and manual switch, as shown in Figure 3-8.1. Do not install separate protectors or manual switches for each indoor unit. Powering on and shutting down all indoor units in a system should be done simultaneously. The reason for this is that if an indoor unit that is running were to suddenly power off whilst the other indoor units continued running, the evaporator of the powered-off unit would freeze since refrigerant would continue flowing to that unit (its expansion valve would still be open) but its fan would have stopped. The indoor units that remain running would not get sufficient refrigerant so their performance would suffer. Additionally, liquid refrigerant returning directly to the compressor from the powered-off unit would cause liquid hammering, potentially damaging the compressor.
- For outdoor unit power wire sizing and circuit breaker sizing, refer to Table 2-6.1 in Part 2, 6 "Electrical Characteristics".

Table 3-8.1: Outdoor specification of power

Capacity		12 model	18/21 model	28 model	36 model	60 model	48/56/60 model
Outdoor	Phase	1 phase	1 phase	1 phase	1 phase	1 phase	1 phase
Unit Voltage and Frequency			220-240V~ 50/60Hz				
power	Power Wiring(mm ²)	3-core X1.5	3-core X2.5	3-core X2.5	3-core X4.0	3-core X6.0	3-core X6.0
Circuit Breaker/Fuse (A)		16	20	25	32	32	40
Indoor unit/Outdoor unit Signal wire		3-core shielded wire					
(Weak electric signal) (mm²)				5-core sni	eiueu wire		

Figure 3-8.1: Indoor unit power supply wiring





8.3 Communication Wiring

Communication wiring design and installation should adhere to the following requirements:

 0.75mm² three-core shielded cable should be used for communication wiring. Using other types of cable can lead to interference and malfunction.

Indoor communication wiring:

- The P Q E communication wires should be connected one unit after another in a daisy chain from the outdoor
 unit to the final indoor unit. At the final indoor unit, a 120Ω resistor should be connected between the P and Q
 terminals. After the final indoor unit, the communication wiring should NOT be continued back to the outdoor
 unit that is, do not attempt to form a closed loop.
- The P and Q communication wires should NOT be grounded.
- The shielding nets of the communication wires should be connected together and grounded. Grounding can be
 achieved by connecting to the metal casing adjacent to the P Q E terminals of the outdoor unit electrical control
 box.

Notes for installers

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The communication wires should be connected to the outdoor unit terminals indicated in Figure 3-8.3 and Table 3-8.2.

Caution

Communication wiring has polarity. Care should be taken to connect the poles correctly.

Figure 3-8.3: Outdoor unit communication terminals

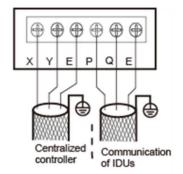
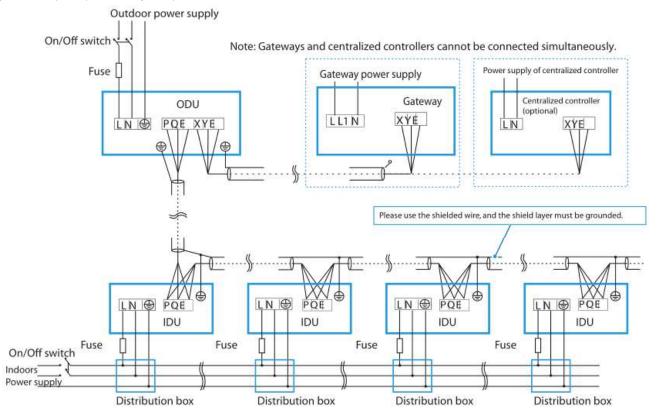


Table 3-8.2: Communication connections

Terminals	Connection
XYE	Connect to centralized controller or gateway
PQE	Connect between indoor units and outdoor unit

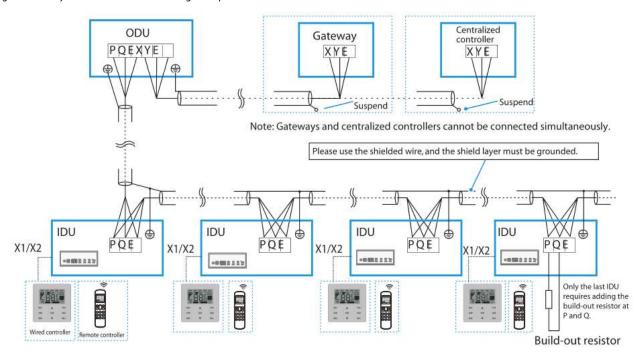
Figure 3-8.4: System power wiring example



8.4 Wiring example

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Figure 3-8.4: System communication wiring example



Note: The wired controller and centralized controller in the dashed box are optional accessories. If necessary, please contact the local distributor for purchase.

9 Installation in Areas of High Salinity

9.1 Caution

Do not install outdoor units where they could be directly exposed to sea air. Corrosion, particularly on the condenser and evaporator fins, could cause product malfunction or inefficient performance.

Outdoor units installed in seaside locations should be placed such as to avoid direct exposure to the sea air and additional anticorrosion treatment options should be selected, otherwise the service life of the outdoor units will be seriously affected.

Air conditioning installed in seaside locations should be run regularly as the running of the outdoor unit fans helps prevent build-up of salt on the outdoor unit heat exchangers.

9.2 Placement and Installation

Outdoor units should be installed 300m or more from the sea. If possible, well-ventilated indoor locations should be chosen. If it is necessary to install outdoor units outside, direct exposure to the sea air should be avoided. A canopy should be added to shield the units from sea air and rain.

Ensure that base structures drain well so that outdoor unit footings do not become waterlogged. Check that outdoor unit casing drainage holes are not blocked.

9.3 Inspection and maintenance

In addition to standard outdoor unit servicing and maintenance, the following additional inspections and maintenance should be undertaken for outdoor units installed in seaside locations:

- A comprehensive post-installation inspection should check for any scratches or other damage to painted surfaces and any damaged areas should be repainted/repaired immediately.
- The units should be regularly cleaned using (non-salty) water to remove any salt that has accumulated. Areas cleaned should include the condenser, the refrigerant piping system, the outside surface of the unit casing and the outside surface of the electric control box.
- Regular inspections should check for corrosion and if necessary corroded components should be replaced and/or anti-corrosion treatments should be added.







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