

# 15 Gallon - 1BBL Gas Pilot System

## Assembly, Operation, & Maintenance

Congratulations on your purchase, and thank you for selecting the Gas Pilot System from Blichmann Engineering™ Pro Brewing. We are confident that it will provide you years of service and many gallons of outstanding beer. This manual will familiarize you with the use, assembly, and the sanitation procedures for the product.



## IMPORTANT INFORMATION

**PLEASE READ AND THOROUGHLY UNDERSTAND THIS MANUAL PRIOR TO USE FOR IMPORTANT SAFETY INFORMATION!**

**WARNING:** Sections labeled "Warning" can lead to serious injury or death if not followed. Please thoroughly read these sections and understand them completely before use. If you do not understand them or have any questions, contact your retailer or Blichmann Engineering ([www.BlichmannPro.com](http://www.BlichmannPro.com)) before use.

**CAUTION:** Sections labeled "Caution" can lead to equipment damage or unsatisfactory performance of the equipment. Please read these sections thoroughly. If you have any questions, contact your retailer or Blichmann Engineering ([www.BlichmannPro.com](http://www.BlichmannPro.com)) before use.

**IMPORTANT:** Sections labeled "Important" should specifically be followed to ensure satisfactory results with the product.

Brewing has inherent hazards and requires care, focus, and a mindset of safety and precaution. Hot liquids, steam, flame, electricity, heavy lifting, slippery surfaces, cuts, and harsh chemicals to name a few.

- Always thoroughly read and understand all product manuals before using the product.
- Always keep children and pets safely away from the brewing area.
- Always wear protective clothing, safety glasses/goggles, shoes, and burn/chemical resistant gloves.
- Always use GFCI protected circuits for ALL electrical equipment.
- Always keep flame away from flammable surfaces.
- Always brew on hard surfaces such as concrete.
- Always disconnect electrical equipment from power and propane tanks after each use.
- Never lift hot and/or heavy liquids.
- Never use drugs or alcohol while brewing.
- Never leave the brewing area unattended.

## REFER TO EACH INDIVIDUAL ITEM MANUAL FOR INSTALLATION INSTRUCTIONS

# What's Included?

Item #	Part Name	Quantity
BE-001371-00	Gas Pilot Wort Manifold Assembly	1
BE-001373-01	Gas Pilot Controller Mount Assembly	1
AutoSparge	AutoSparge™	1
aWhirlpool-G2	Kettle Whirlpool Kit	1
aThruMometer-1/2	ThruMometer Assembly - 1/2"	1
QC-12ELBOW-01	QuickConnect™ 1/2" Elbow	6
QC-12STEM-01	QuickConnect™ 1/2" Stem	12
QC-38ELBOW-01	QuickConnect™ 3/8" Elbow	1
QC-12NUT-01	QuickConnect Nut	19
BE-000105-00	QuickConnect™ O-Ring	19
aQR-Chiller-Bkt-LTE	Quick Release Bracket for Therminator™	1
BE-000711-01	Needle Valve for Gas	3
BE-000163-00	1/2" Wide P-Clip	3
BE-000359-00	Silicone Tubing 3/4" OD	20 Feet
BE-000374-00	1/2" KwikClamps for ThruMometer™	2
BE-000001-00	Metal Oetiker Pinch Clamp	21
BE-001314-01	Burner Bracket A	6
BE-001315-00	Burner Bracket B	6
BE-000019-00	1/2" Hex Head Cap Screw	31
BE-000048-00	1/4" Flat Washer	29

Item #	Part Name	Quantity
BE-000029-00	1/4"-20 Nut	70
BE-001340-00	1" Carriage Bolt	3
BE-001379-00	5/8" Carriage Bolt	12
BE-001413-00	2 3/4" Carriage Bolt	1
BE-001337-00	5/8" Phillips Pan Head Screw	8
BE-001341-00	2 3/4" Hex Head Cap Screw	1
BE-001407-00	5/16" Thick Washer	2
BE-000020-00	2 1/4" Cap Screw	2
BE-000393-01	Stainless Steel Float Ball	1
BE-000005-00	Silicone Tubing 1/2" OD	3
BE-000260-00	12" Float Rod	1
BE-001223-00	Marker Pad Zip Tie	10
BE-001334-00	Spiral Bundling Wrap	3 Feet
Zip Ties 8 inch	Zip Ties 8 inch	10
BE-001227-01	90" x 26" Gas Brewing Table	1
HE-002-03	Therminator™	1
aBrewCommander-G-C	Gas BrewCommander™ Controller	2
aRipTide-Pump	RipTide™ Pump	2
aHellFireBurner-1BBL	HellFire™ Burner	3
	False Bottom	1
	G2 BoilerMaker	3

## Tools Required

PTFE (Teflon) Thread Sealing Tape
Phillips Screwdriver
Flat Head Screwdriver
7/16" Deep Well Socket/Ratchet
7/16" Open End Wrench
Adjustable Wrench
Bolt Cutters or Side / Diagonal Cutter

Liquid Manifold Assembly



Controller Mount Assembly



Gas Manifold Assembly



# TABLE ASSEMBLY

**STEP 1:** Set the table top upside down on a carpet or blanket. **(Figure A)**

**NOTE:** Front of table can be determined by the Blichmann Engineering™ label, which is on the front.

**STEP 2:** Loosen all set screws on the table. Set the back legs in place. Leave the set screws loose. **(Figure B)**

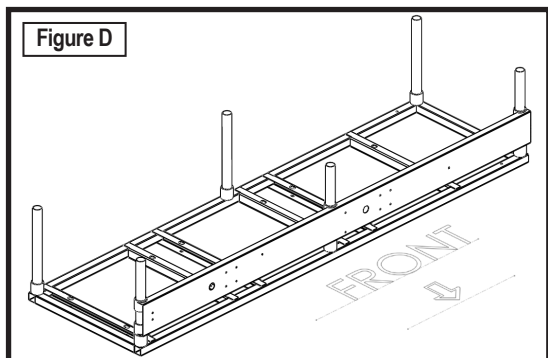
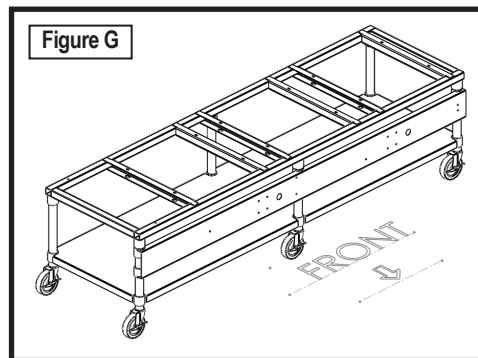
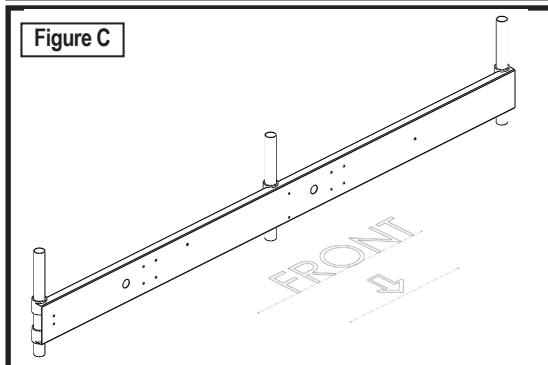
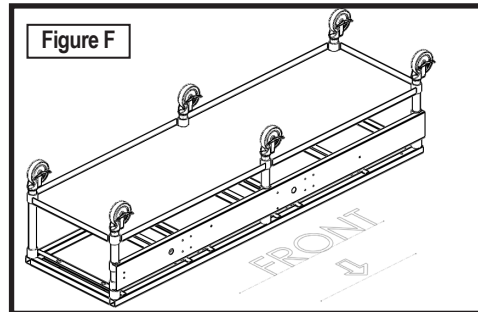
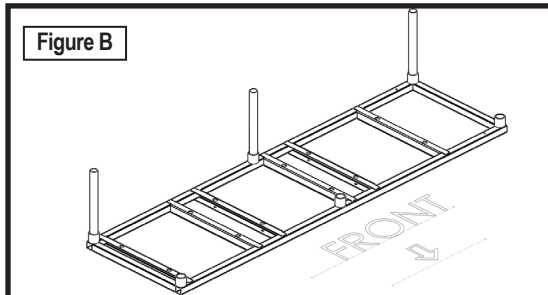
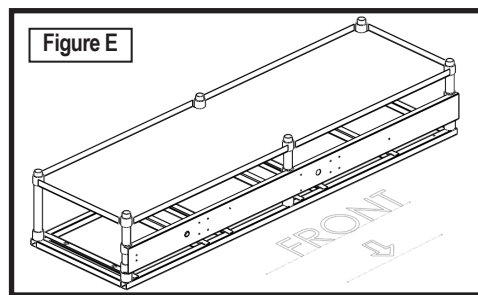
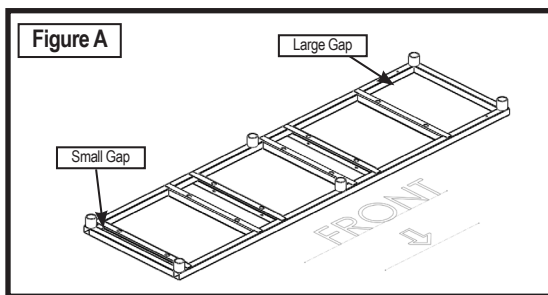
**STEP 3:** Slide the 2 legs into the apron as shown in **Figure C**. Ensure the apron is being installed correctly. Double check the images below and on the next page.

**STEP 4:** Place the apron with the legs into the table. Leave the set screws loose. **(Figure D)**

**STEP 5:** Slide the shelf upside down onto the legs until the legs extend through the shelf brackets about 1 to 1 1/2 inches. At this point tighten **ALL** set screws in the table with the included allen wrench. **(Figure E)**

**STEP 6:** Once the set screws are tightened, its time to install the casters. The caster has a bolt running through it with a rubber outer casing. When the bolt is tightened the rubber will expand. Once the caster is placed into the leg, tighten the caster bolt to ensure its securely in place. **(Figure F)**

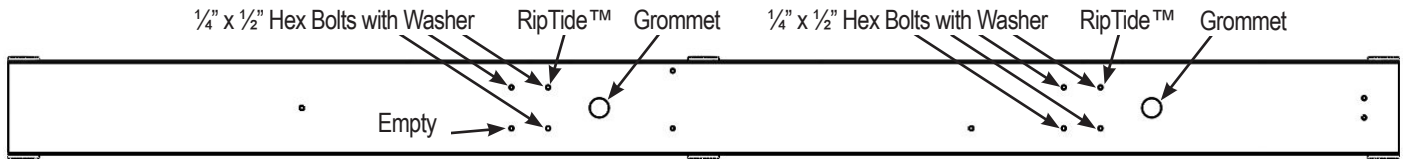
**STEP 7:** Flip the table over onto the casters. **(Figure G)**



# BUILDING THE 15 GALLON TO 1 BBL SYSTEMS

## Mounting the RipTide™ Pumps

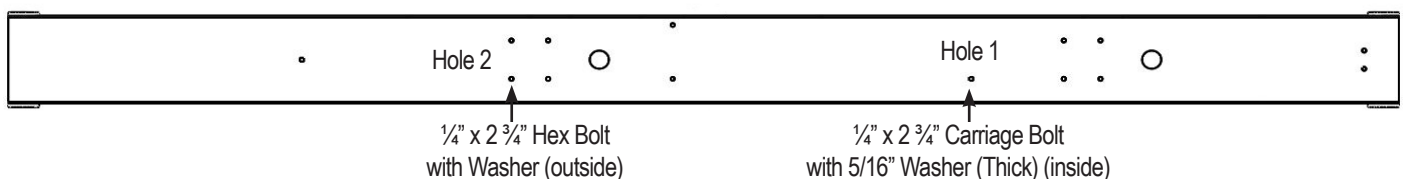
Mount the RipTide™ to the apron on the holes shown below with the 1/4" x 1/2" Hex bolts (Bag 1), 1/4" flat washer (Bag 2), and close with a nut (Bag 3). **On the bottom left bolt of the left RipTide™ leave the hole empty (Shown below).** Once the RipTides™ are installed run the RipTide™ power cable through the grommet in the apron.



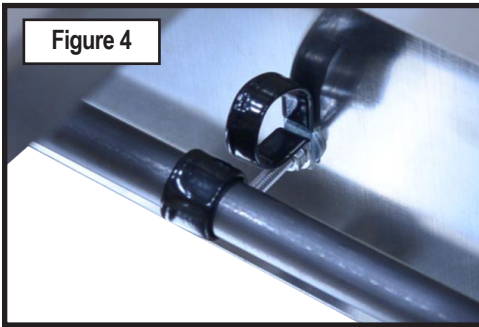
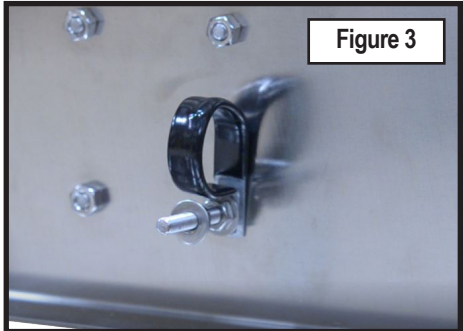
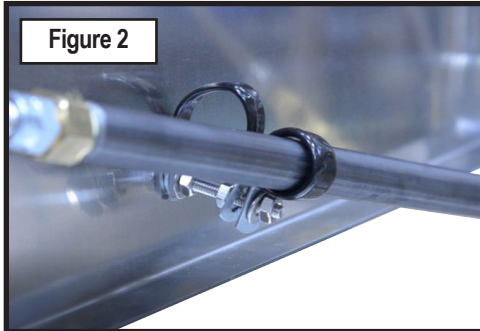
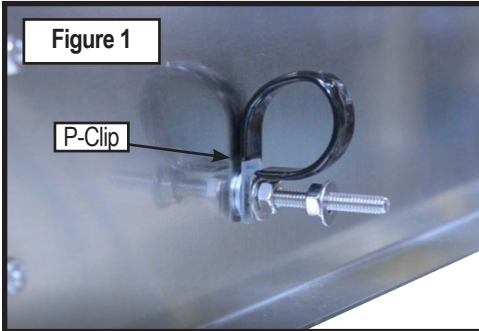
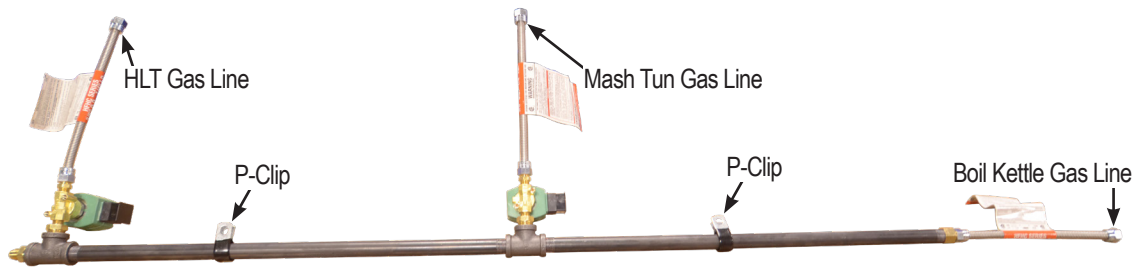
Place the 1/4" x 1" carriage bolt (Bag 4) through the hole shown below. Place the 1/2" wide p-clip on the back side of the apron and close with a 1/4" flat washer (Bag 2) and nut (Bag 3).

## Mounting the Gas Manifold

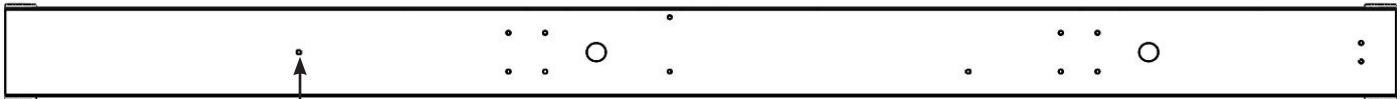
To mount the gas manifold to the backside of the apron use the 1/4" x 2 3/4" carriage bolt (Bag 4) through **Hole 1** on the apron and close with the 5/16" Washer (Thick)(Bag 5), 1/2" wide p-clip, 1/4" Flat Washer (Bag 2), and nut (Bag 3) as shown in **Figure 1**. On the same bolt, attach a nut (Bag 3), 1/4" flat washer (Bag 2), p-clip on the gas manifold and close with a 1/4" flat washer (Bag 2) and nut (Bag 3) in that order as shown in **Figure 2**. Mount the other end of the gas manifold, in the hole that was left empty in the left RipTide™ (**Hole 2**), with the 1/4" x 2 3/4" Hex Bolt (Bag 5), through the 1/4" flat washer (Bag 2) (on RipTide™ side), through 1/2" wide p-clip and close with a 1/4" flat washer (Bag 2) and nut (Bag 3) **Figure 3**. On the same bolt, add a nut (Bag 3) and 1/4" flat washer (Bag 2) (**Figure 3**) then the p-clip on the gas manifold and close with a washer (Bag 2) and nut (Bag 3). The p-clips on the topside of the gas manifold will be used for your cable management. Route the RipTide™ cables through the top p-clips.



**TIP:** Loosen the p-clips to allow more room for cables to fit together. Once all cables are in place tighten the p-clip.

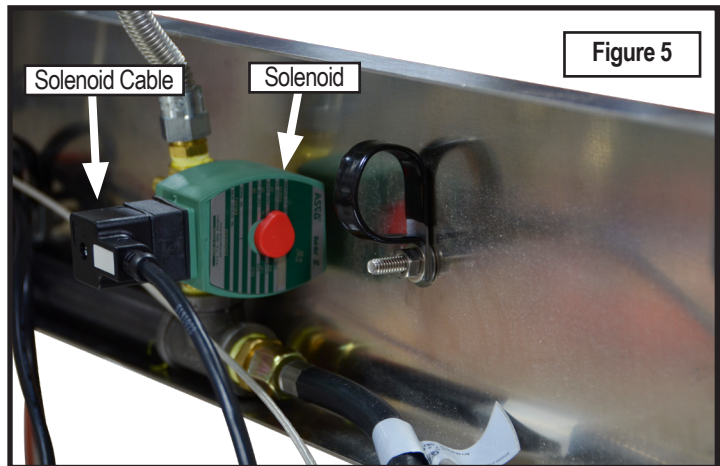


Place the 1/4" x 1" carriage bolt (Bag 4) through the hole shown below. On the inside of the apron on the same bolt use the 5/16" Washer Thick (Bag 5), then the 1/2" wide p-clip and close with a 1/4" flat washer (Bag 2) and nut (Bag 3).



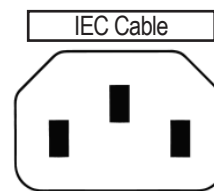
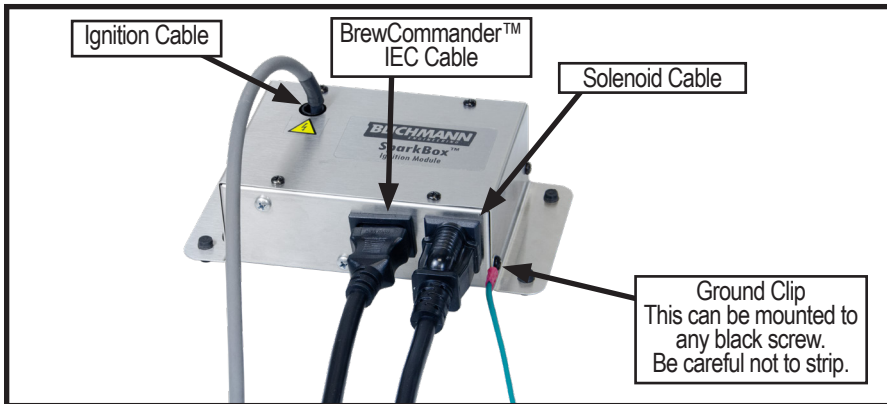
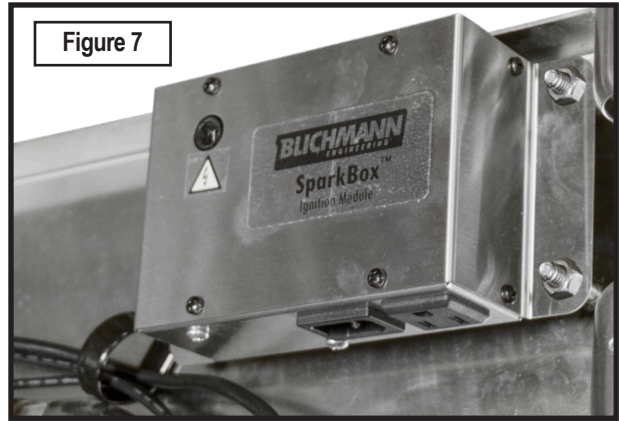
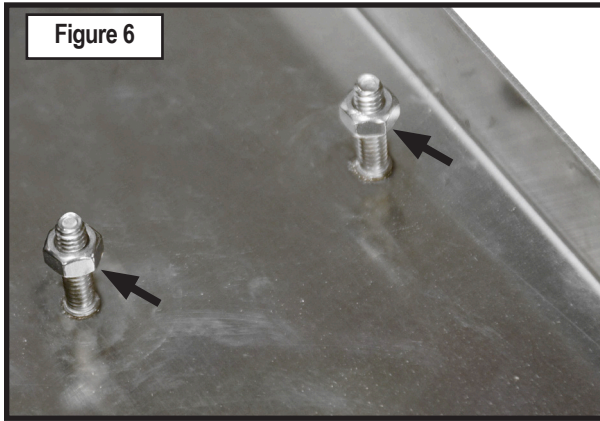
1/4" x 1" Carriage Bolt  
with 5/16" Washer Thick (inside)

Plug the solenoid cable and tighten the screw as shown in **Figure 5**.

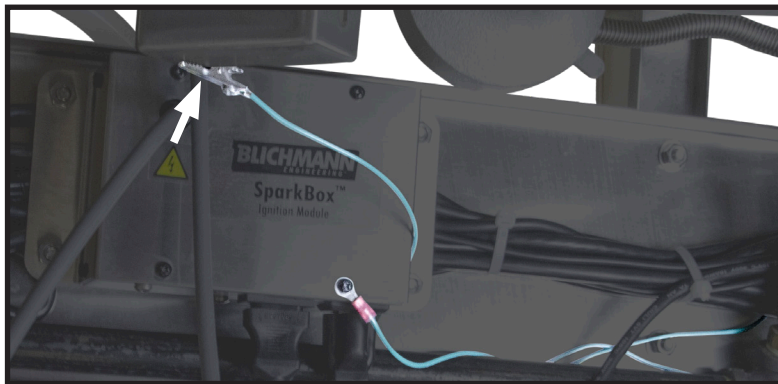


## Mounting the SparkBox™

Mount the ¼-20 nuts on the apron studs with ½ inch exposed as shown in **Figure 6**. Mount the SparkBox™ to the studs and secure it with ¼-20 nuts as shown in **Figure 7**.



Connect the other end of the ignition cable to the previously installed ignition electrode. (**Figure 9**)



Clip the ground from the SparkBox™ onto the leg of the HellFire™ burner. Plug the controllers into the outlet on the controller mounting assembly. Use the Spiral Bundling Wrap to maintain all the cables.

## Installing Controller Mount Assembly

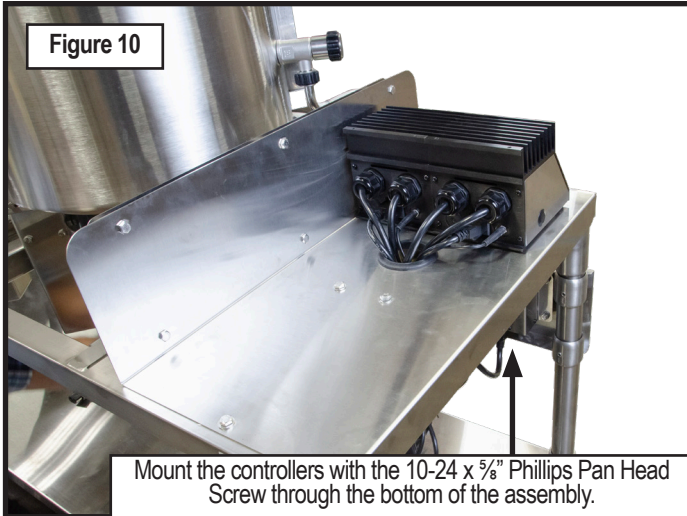
Install the Controller Mount Assembly to the left side of the table (**Figure 8**, **Figure 9**) with the ¼" x 2-1/4" Hex Bolt (Bag 5) with a washer (Bag 2) and close with a washer (Bag 2) and nut (Bag 3).



Mount the 2 gas BrewCommander™ controllers to the Controller Mount Assembly (**Figure 12**) with the 10-24 x 5/8" Phillips Pan Head Screw (Bag 5) through the bottom of the assembly.

Run the RipTide™ power cables through the bottom of the controller mount assembly and plug the left RipTide™ into the left controller and the right RipTide™ into the right controller. Run the power cables from the controller through the hole in the controller mount assembly. Plug the power cables into the electrical box on the bottom side of the controller mount assembly. Run the female IEC cable through the controller mount assembly to be plugged into the SparkBox™ at a later step.

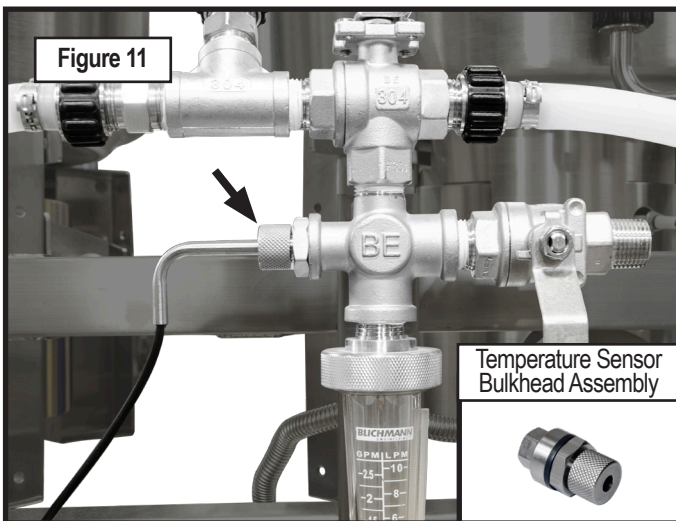
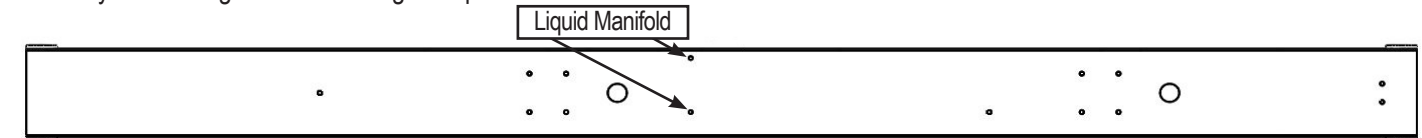
**TIP:** If fitting the cables through the grommet becomes difficult, remove the grommet and route the cables through the table and grommet one at a time, then reinstall the grommet.



## Liquid Manifold

Attach the liquid manifold (pictured on page 3) to the apron with the 1/4" x 1" Carriage Bolt (Bag 4).

**NOTE:** If you're having trouble mounting the liquid manifold remove the flow meter to make it easier.

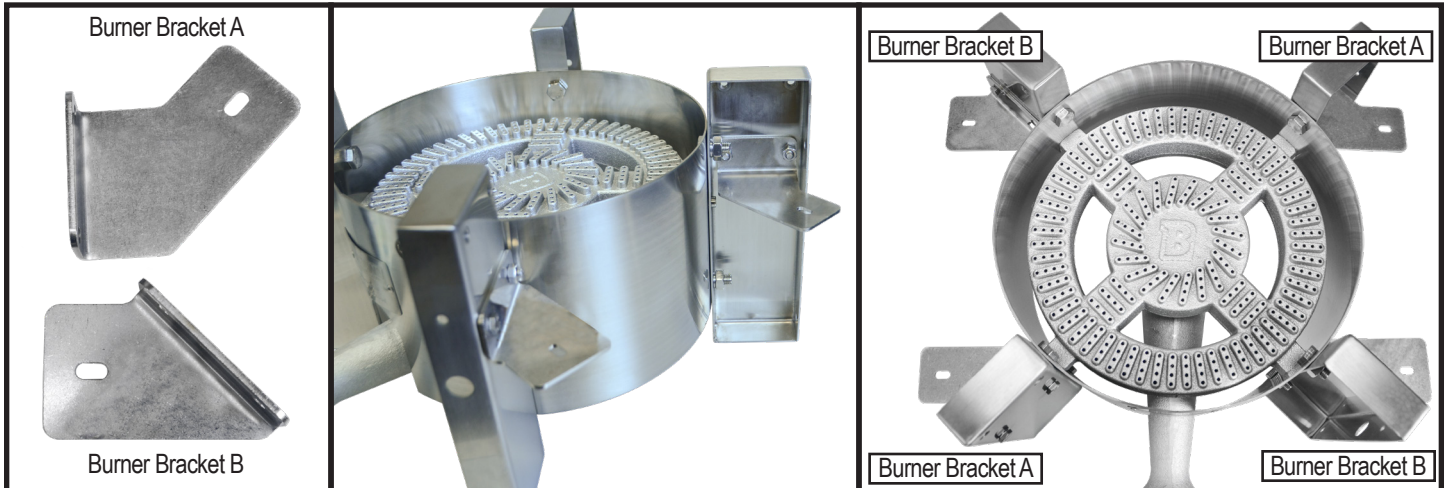


Mount a sensor to the liquid manifold as shown in **Figure 11**.

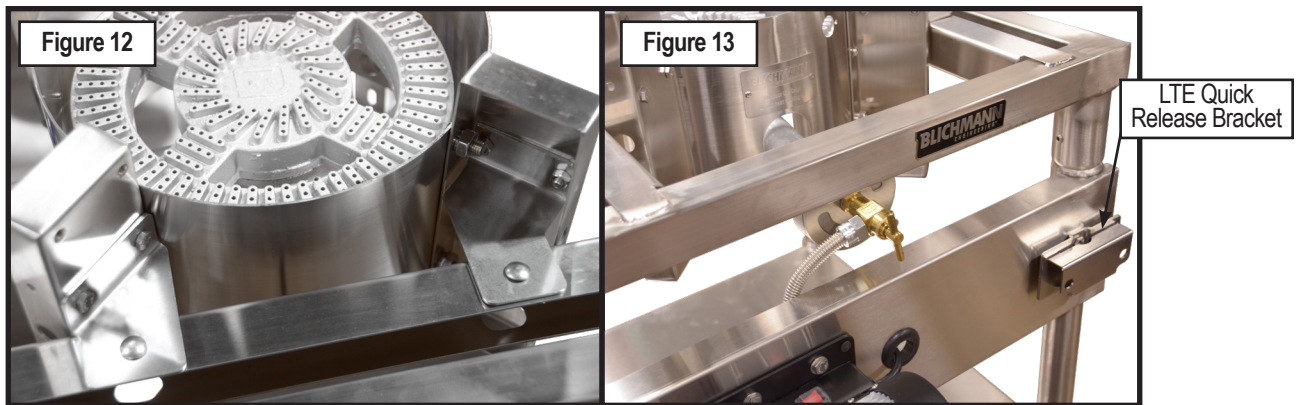


## Mounting the HellFire™ Burners

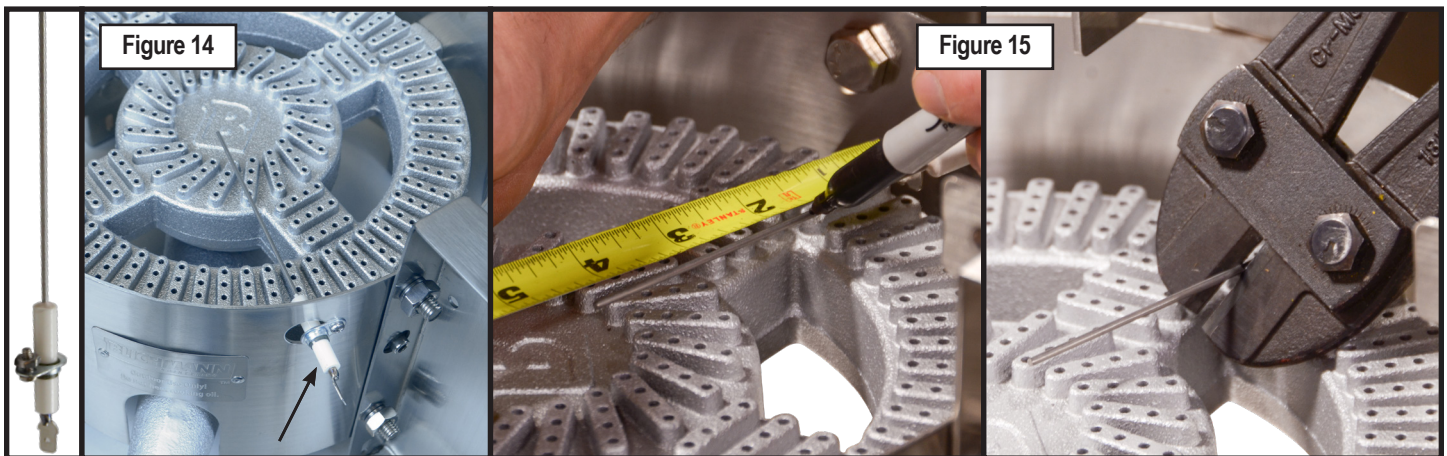
To mount the HellFire™ burners to the table you will need Burner Bracket A and Burner Bracket B. Attach the brackets as shown below with 1/4" x 1/2" Hex Bolt (Bag 1) and Nut (Bag 3). Torque to 150 in-lbs (12.5 ft-lbs). (The 1BBL HellFire™ burners will have larger legs.)



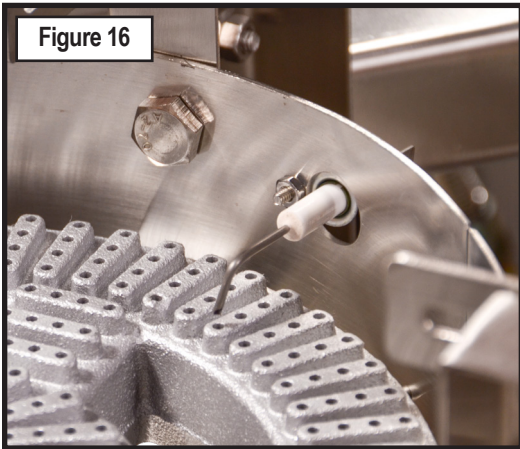
Mount the 3 HellFire™ burners to the table with the 1/4" x 5/8" Carriage Bolt (Bag 4) through the top and close with a washer (Bag 2) and nut (Bag 3) (Figure 12). Use the 7/16" deep well socket to tighten. Once the burners are mounted, attach the needle valves to the HellFire™ burners (Figure 13). For HellFire™ assembly instructions refer to the HellFire™ manual. **ENSURE THE NEEDLE VALVES ARE TURNED OFF WHEN NOT IN USE.**



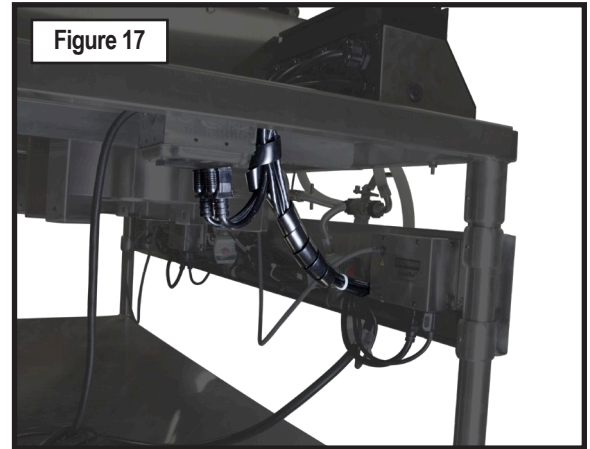
Mount the ignitor's to the left HellFire™ Burner and the middle HellFire™ Burner as shown in Figure 14. Mark the igniter at 1 1/2" and cut the igniter with bolt cutters or diagonal cutters as shown in Figure 15.



After the igniter is cut, bend the igniter so the tip is 3/16" to 1/4" from the burner casting and centered over a nozzle (Figure 16).



Bundle the cables together and wrap the Spiral Bundling Wrap around all the cables as shown in Figure 17.

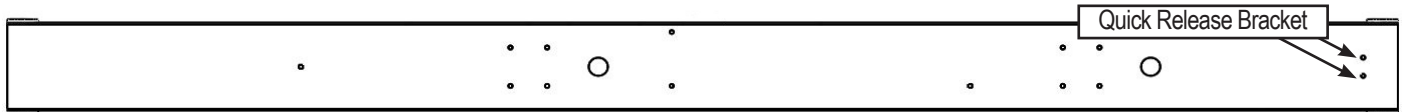


Attach one of the regulators supplied with each HellFire™ burner to the 3/8 inch flair connection at the end of the gas manifold.



## Mounting the Therminator™

Attach the Therminator™ to the table apron using the LTE Quick Release Bracket shown in Figure 13.



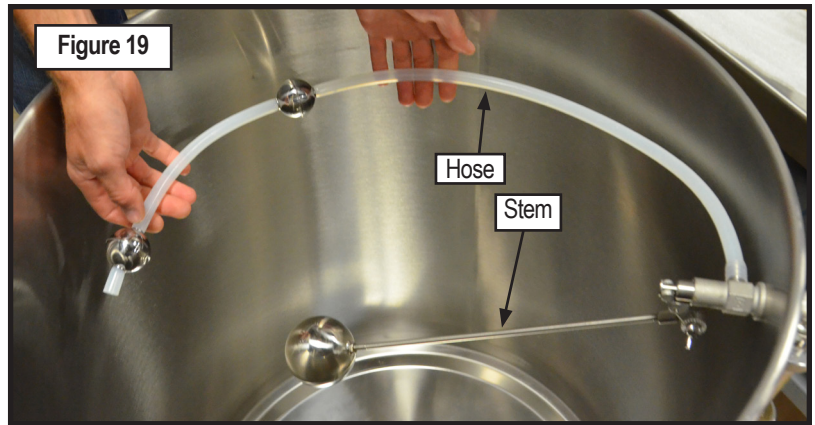
Place the kettles on the burners. Once kettles are in place, install the AutoSparge™, Temperature Sensor, and Whirlpool as shown in Figure 18. For instructions, refer to the individual product manuals.

Figure 18



## AutoSparge™ Upgrade Kit

The AutoSparge™ will come with a kit to use for 30 gallon and 55 gallon kettles. This will include a longer stem and hose, as well as an extra float ball (Figure 19).



## Kettle Rims Hose Layout

Your parts kit will come with zip ties to label your hose. Use these to label the hoses on your system for easy re-assembly after cleaning. Below are the suggested labels and placement. Familiarize yourself with the function of the brewhouse. Attach QuickConnectors™ where needed. Your kit will come with 20 feet of hose. Attach the hose to the QuickConnectors™, stretch to the desired length, and cut. Once you are satisfied with the length and location of the hoses, crimp the hoses with a side cutter.

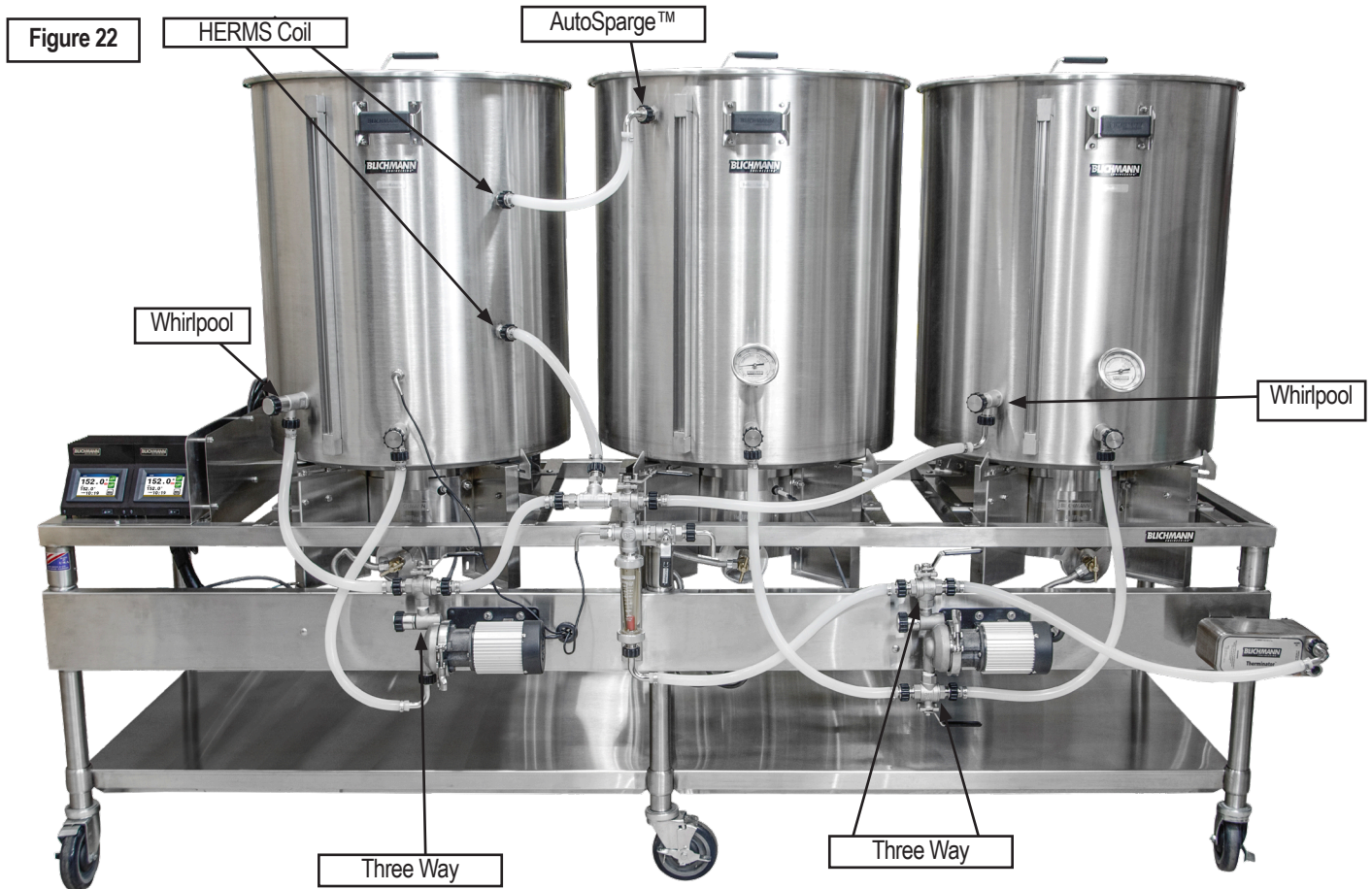


HOSE	QUICKCONNECT™ STRAIGHT	QUICKCONNECT™ ELBOW	LOCATION
A	X	X	HLT to left pump inlet
B	X	X	Left pump outlet to tee
C	X	X	Tee to AutoSparge™
D	X	X	Right pump outlet to flow meter
E	X	X	Three way valve to Therminator™ / boil kettle
F	XX		Mash to right pump inlet
G	X	X	
H	XX		

## OPTIONAL: HERMS Coil System Installation

Place the kettles on the burners. Install the HERMS Coil in the HLT as shown in **Figure 22**. Install the AutoSparge™ in the location shown in **Figure 22**. Install the Whirlpools in the locations shown in **Figure 22**.

Install the 3-way valve on the left RipTide™ out as shown in **Figure 22** with Teflon tape. Install the other 3-way valves to the input and output of the right RipTide™ as shown in **Figure 22**.



**HERMS TABLE ONLY:** Attach a 3 way valve to the left RipTide™ outlet. Attach a 3 way valve to the inlet and outlet of the right RipTide™. Use PTFE Thread Sealing Tape on these connections.

# HERMS Hose Layout

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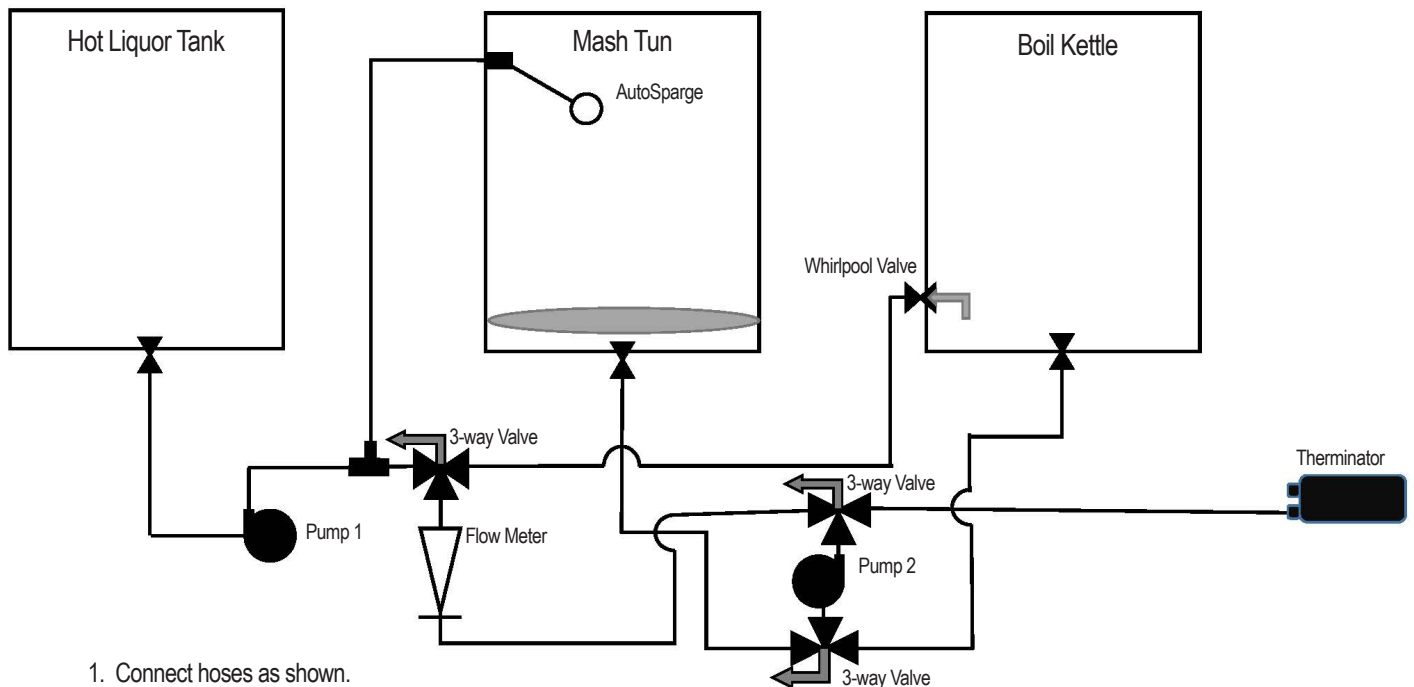
HOSE	QUICKCONNECT™ STRAIGHT	QUICKCONNECT™ ELBOW	LOCATION
A	XX		HLT whirlpool to three way valve on left pump outlet
B	X	X	HLT to left pump inlet
C	XX		Three way valve on left pump outlet to tee
D	XX		Tee to HERMS inlet
E	X	X	HERMS outlet to AutoSparge™
F	X	X	Right pump three way valve outlet to flow meter
G	X	X	Three way valve on liquid manifold boil kettle whirlpool
H	XX		Mash to right pump three way valve inlet
I	X	X	Right pump three way valve outlet to Therminator™ chiller
J	XX		Boil kettle outlet to right pump three way valve inlet

## OPERATION: Kettle RIMS

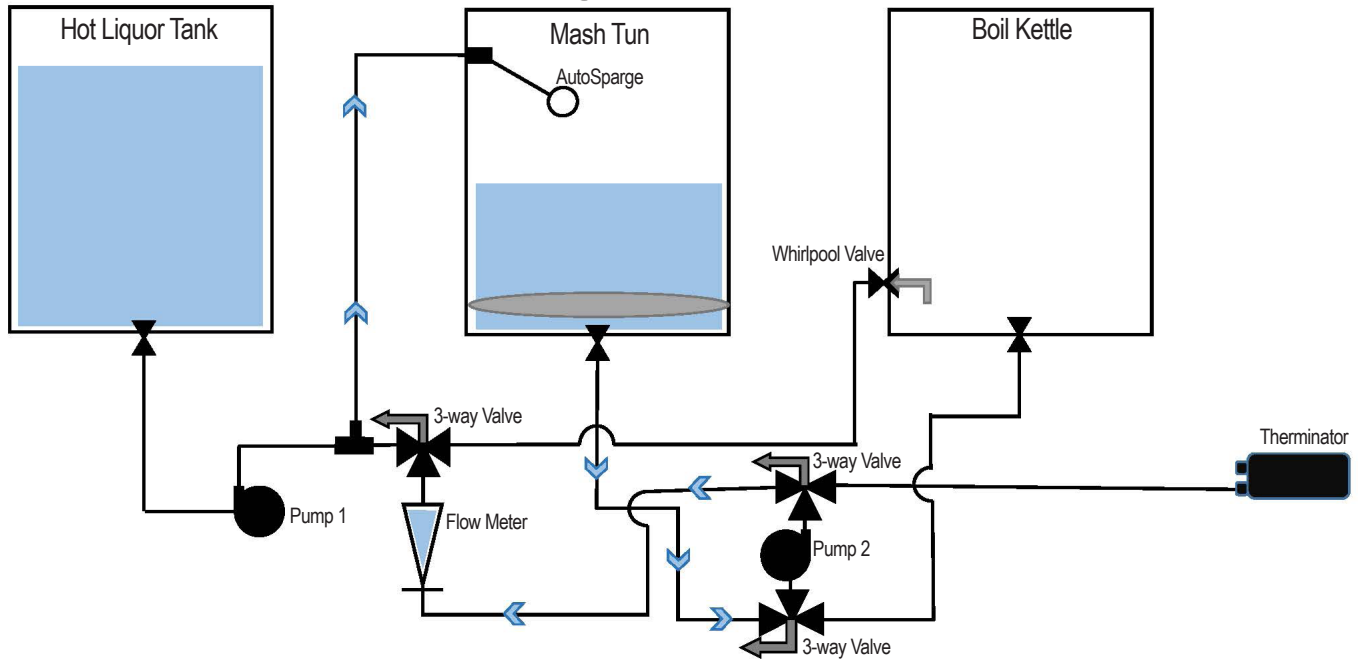
Now that you've completed installation. We recommend doing a mock brewday with water to familiarize yourself with the functionality of the system. This is also a good time to check all hoses and connections for leaks. Remember during testing you can refer to any individual components manuals for an in depth explanation of the products operation.



### Connecting Hoses

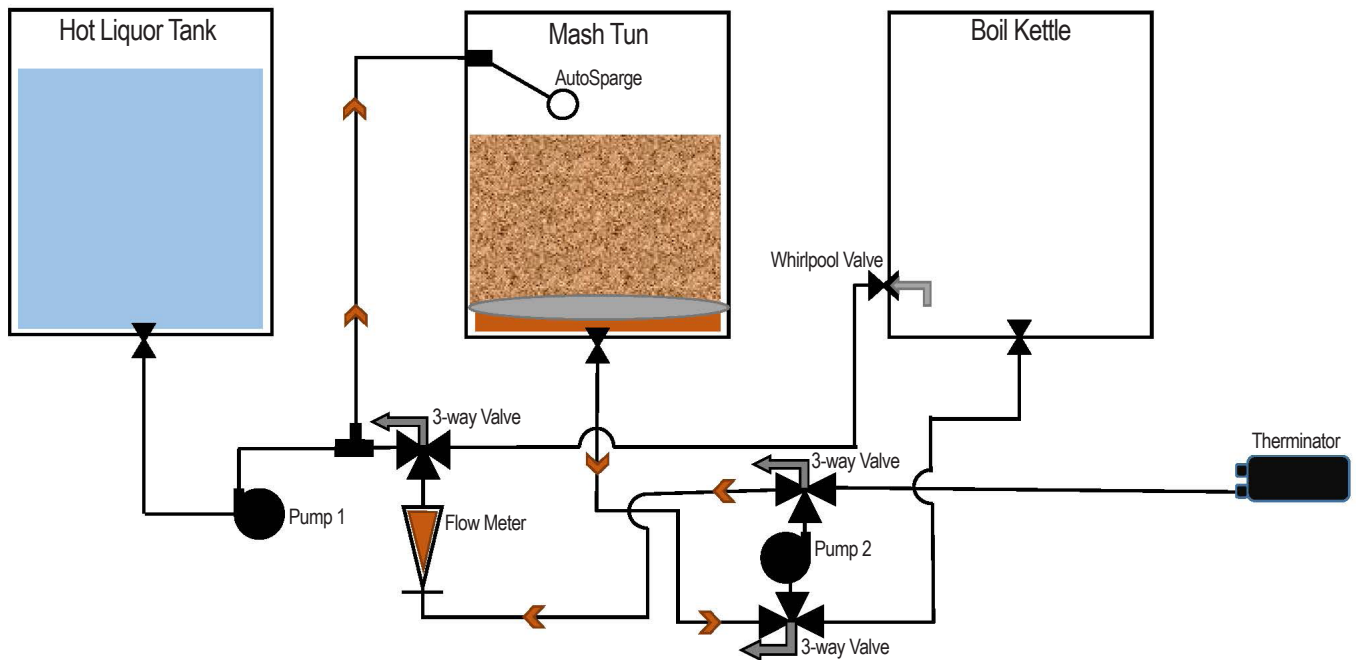


## Heating Strike Water



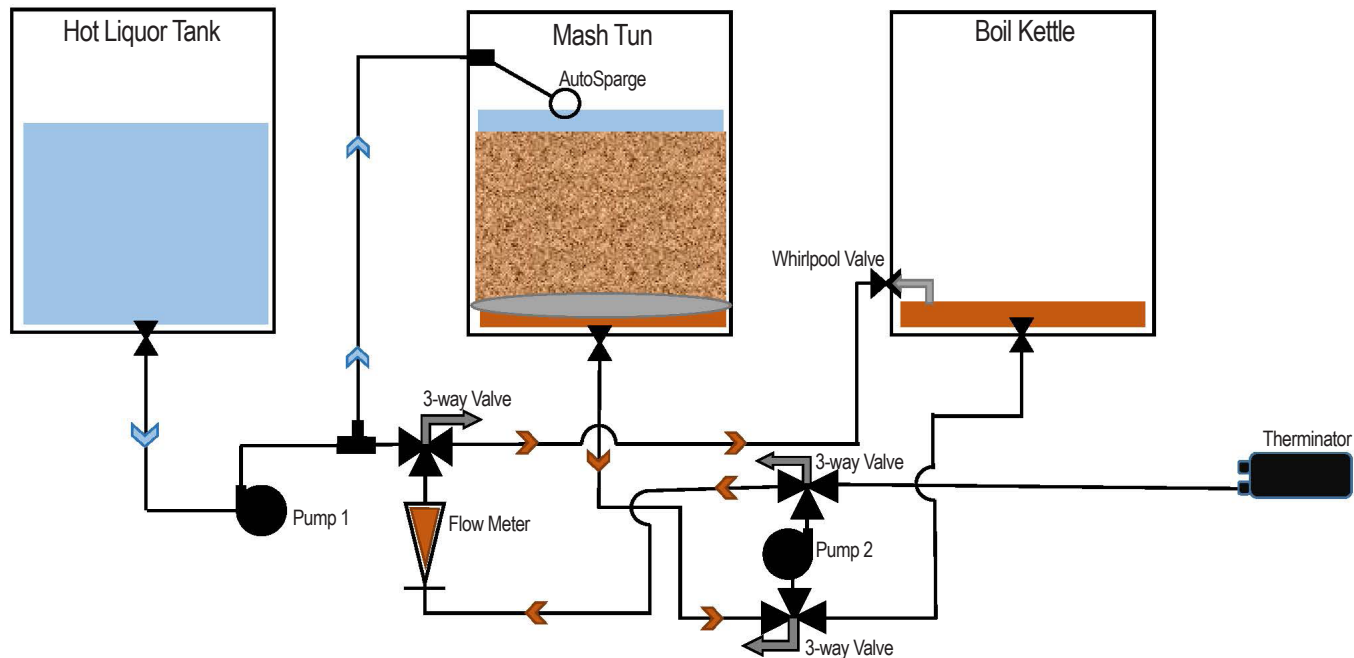
1. Set the Hot Liquor Tank to Auto at the desired temperature (See BrewCommander™ Manual)
2. Set Pump 2 to ON and direct the flow as shown for recirculation through the liquid manifold.
3. Set the Mash controller to the desired strike water temperature and set the control switch to AUTO.

## Mash



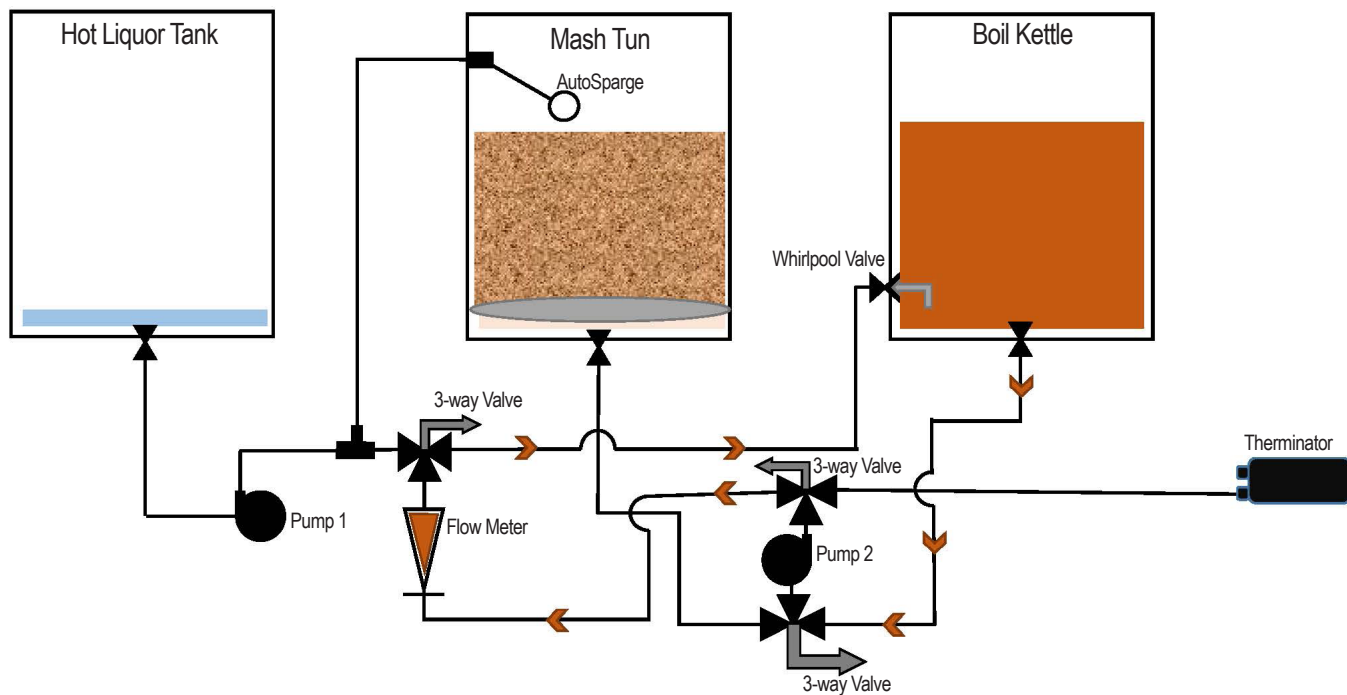
1. Once the strike water is at the desired temp, turn controller to Reset (off). Set Pump 2 to OFF and add the grain to the Mash Tun. (Dough in)
2. After 10 minutes of rest, set Pump 2 to ON and adjust the valve to set the appropriate flow rate. (see BoilerMaker Manual)
3. Set the MashTun controller to the desired mash temperature and follow step mashing techniques.

## Sparge and Transfer



1. Turn the valve on the liquid manifold towards the Boil Kettle.
2. Redirect the flow of Pump 1 to the Right and set the appropriate level on the AutoSparge (Refer to AutoSparge Manual).
3. Turn on pump 2 and begin transferring to the boil kettle.
4. Set the Hot Liquor Tank burner controller to off when the level falls close to the temperature probe.
5. The boil kettle burner can be lit as soon as liquid covers the entire bottom of the kettle.
6. Once a desired pre-boil volume is reached in the boil kettle, turn off both pumps, and close the output valves.

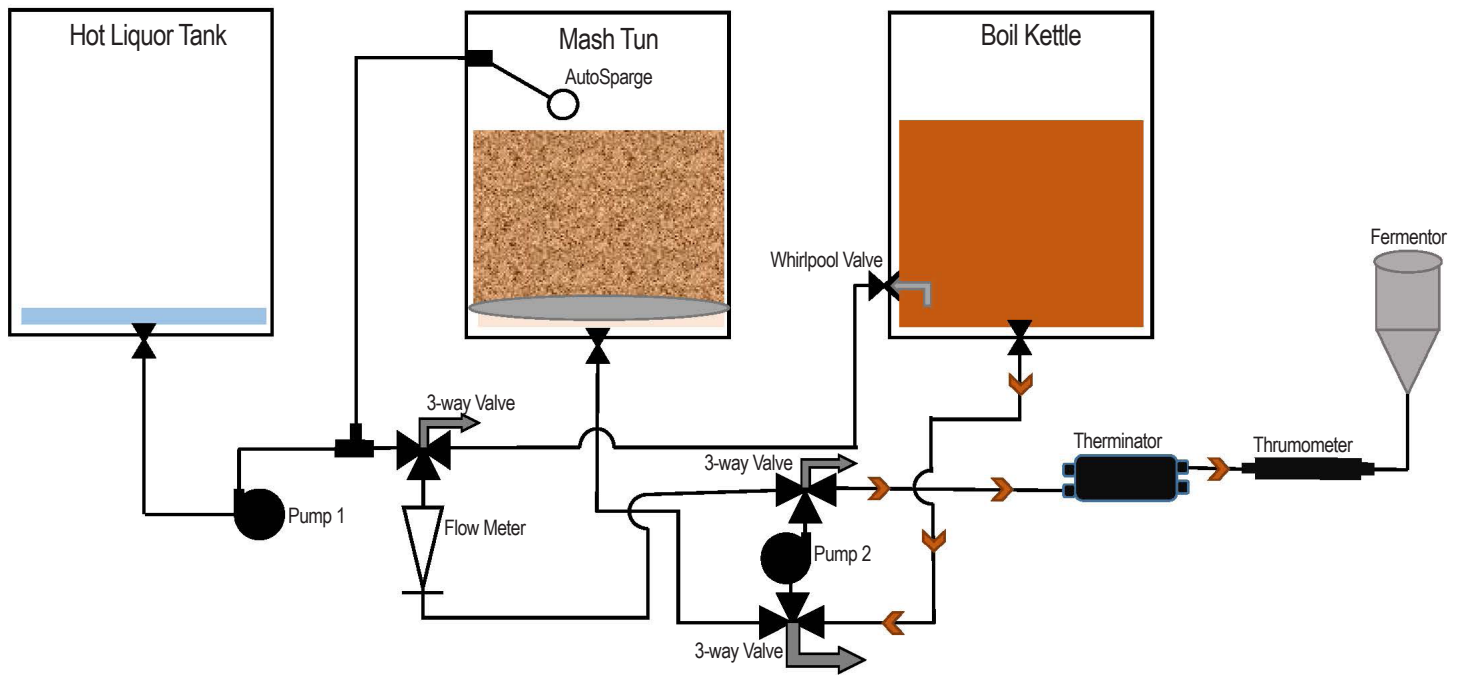
## Boil



1. Bring wort to boil and add additions as required.
2. At the end of the boil, set the valves to the position shown above and turn on Pump 2 to Whirlpool for about 10 minutes. Let the Wort settle for 10 to 15 minutes at the end of the whirlpool.



# Chill

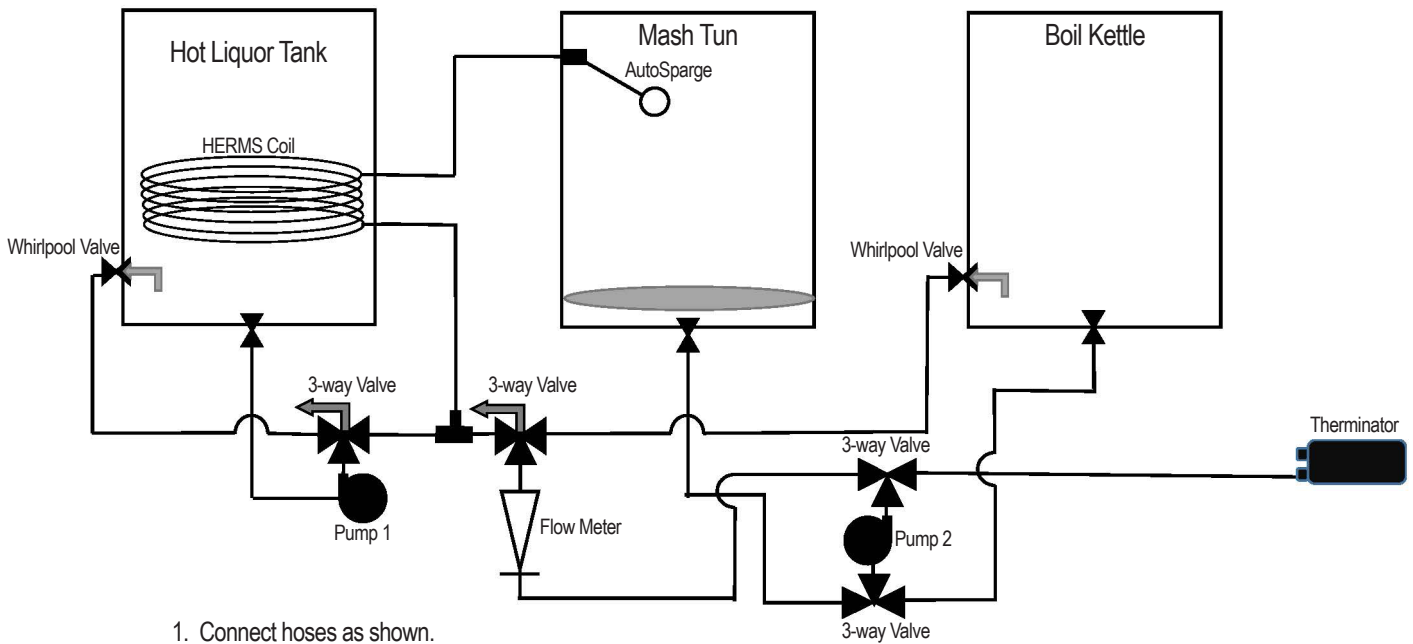


1. Rotate the dip tube on the Boil Kettle for clearer results. See the BoilerMaker Instruction Manual if not set up to rotate.
2. Turn on cold water supply and begin pumping wort through the heat exchanger.
3. Monitor the temperature on the ThruMometer™ and adjust flow as required. Decrease the wort flow to lower the temperature or decrease water flow to increase the temperature. (see the Thermanator™ Instruction Manual.)

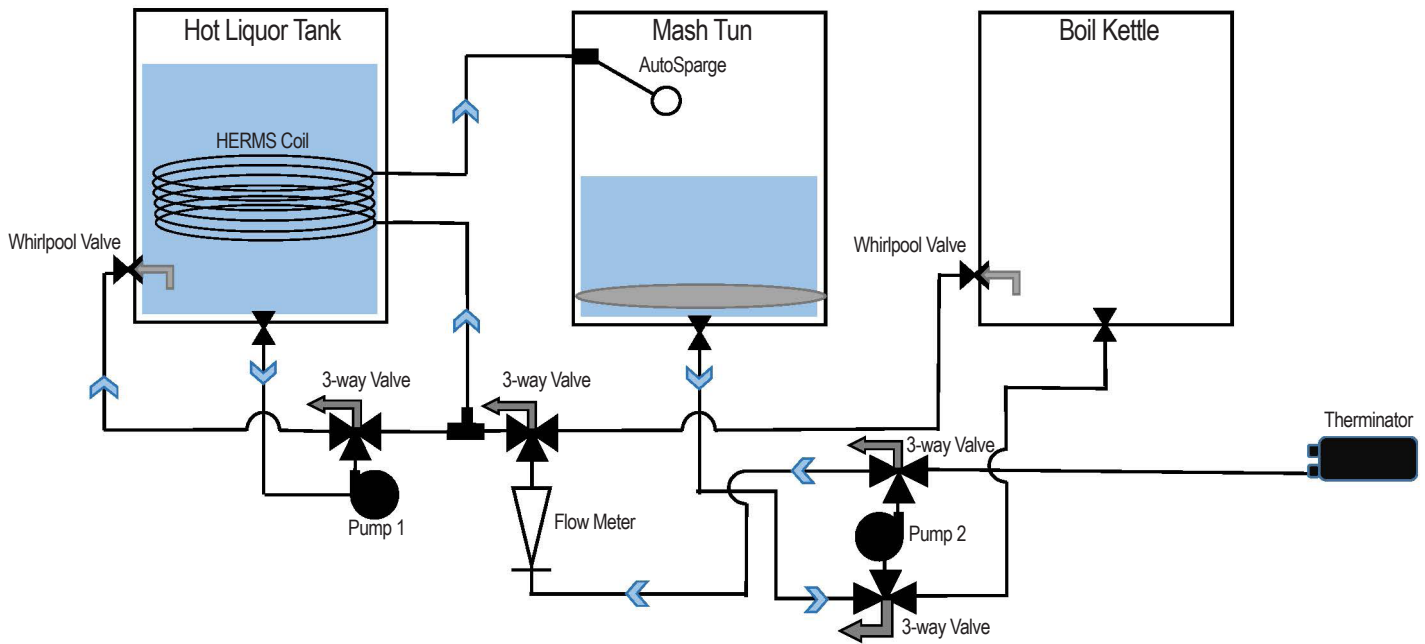
# OPERATION: HERMS



## Connecting Hoses

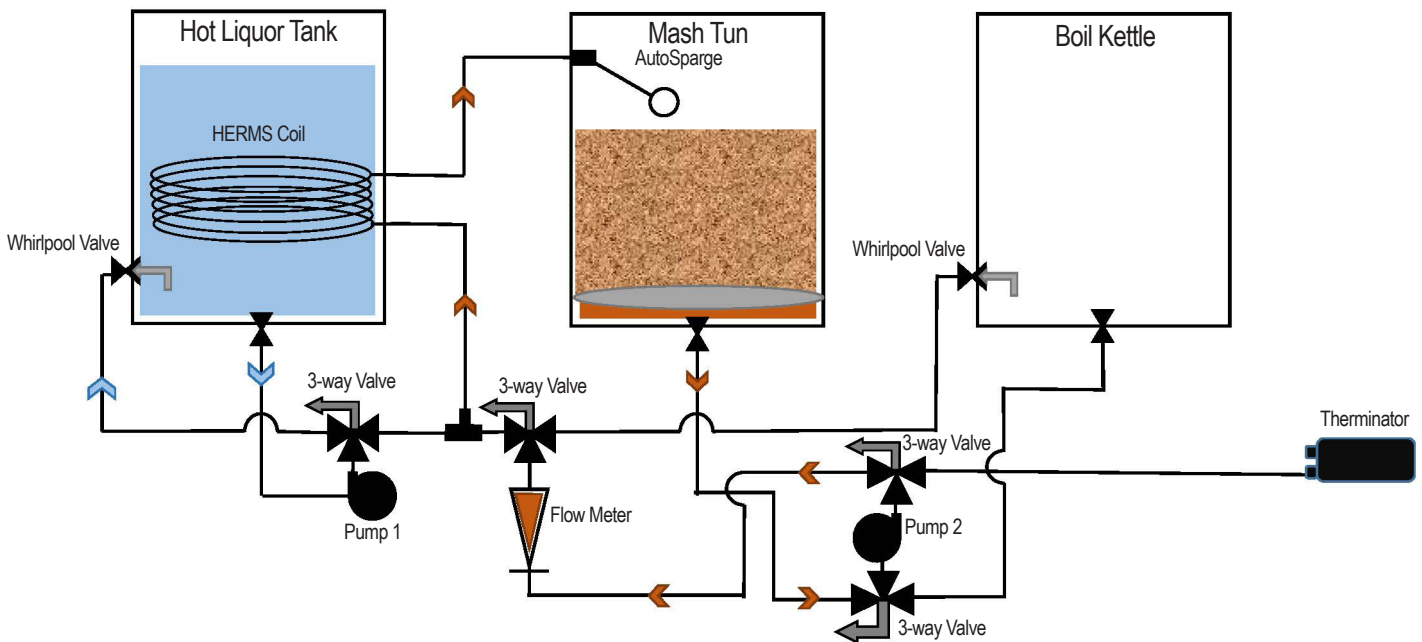


## Heating Strike Water



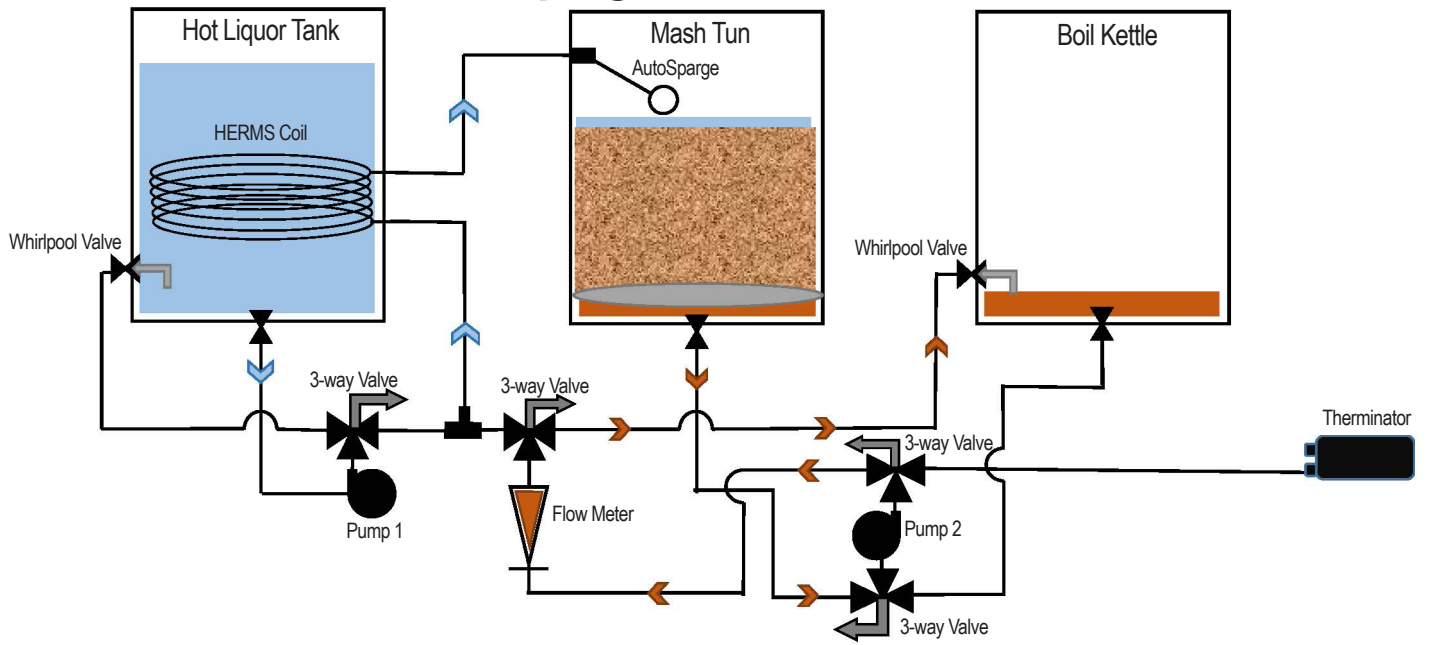
1. Set the Hot Liquor Tank to Auto at about 3 degrees above the desired strike water temperature. (See BrewCommander™ Manual) Additional heat can be added with the middle burner set to auto at the desired strike water temperature.
2. Set both pumps to ON and direct the flow as shown for dual recirculation.
3. The right controller reads the temperature at the Liquid Manifold and the left controller will control the HLT Temperature

## Mash



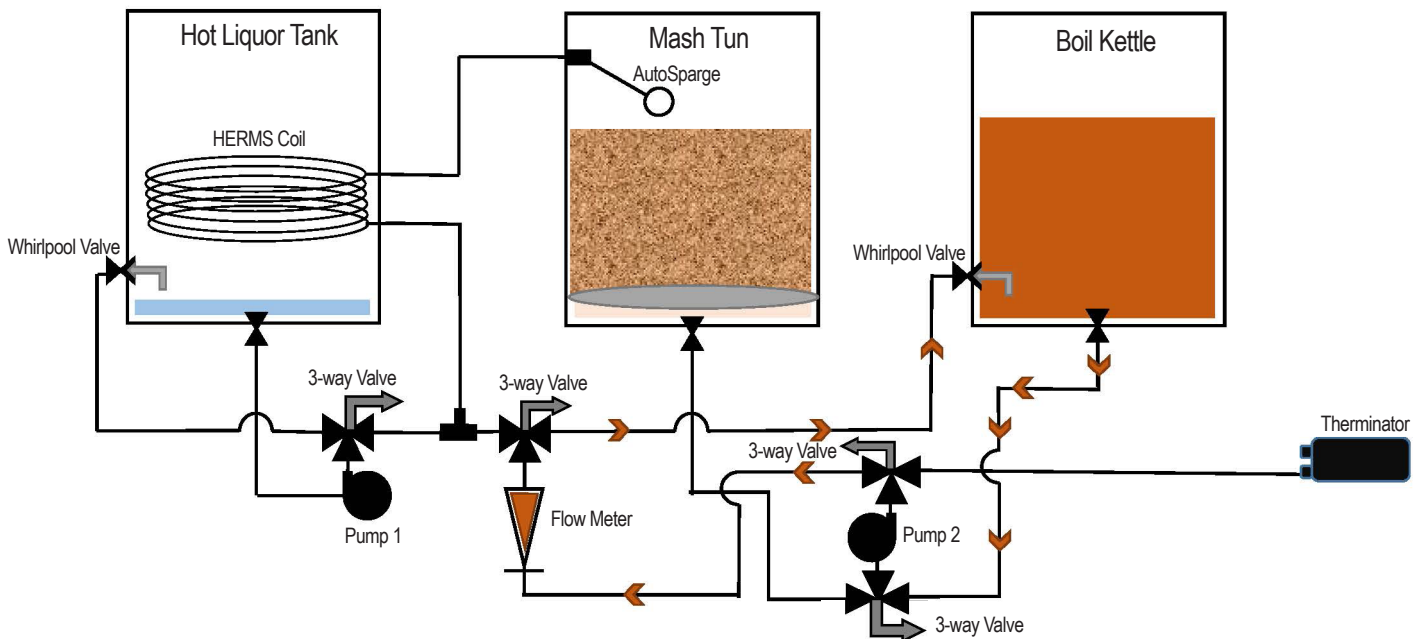
1. Once the strike water is at the desired temp, turn off pump 2. Set the mash tun controller to the off power mode and add the grain to the Mash Tun. (Dough in)
2. Adjust the set point on the hot liquor tank 3 degrees above the desired mash temperature and set the controller to AUTO mode. Continue to recirculate with Pump one.
3. After 10 minutes of rest, turn on Pump 2 and adjust the valve to set the appropriate flow rate. (see BoilerMaker Manual)
4. Determine the correct temperature of the HLT to achieve favorable mash temperature. Document your findings for future use. Perform desired step mashing techniques as required.

## Sparge and Transfer



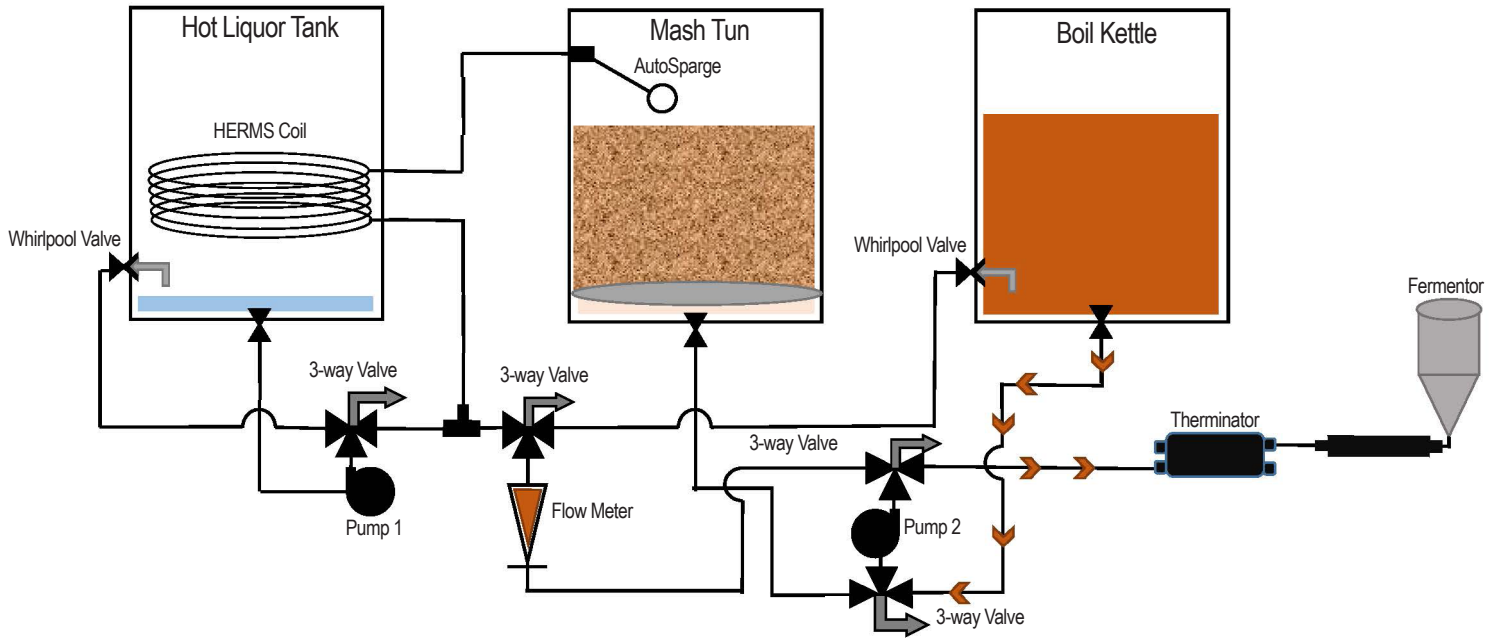
1. Turn the valve on the liquid manifold towards the Boil Kettle.
2. Redirect the flow of Pump 1 to the Right and set the appropriate level on the AutoSparge (Refer to AutoSparge Manual).
3. Turn on pump 2 and begin transferring to the boil kettle.
4. Set the Hot Liquor Tank burner controller to off when the level falls close to the temperature probe.
5. The boil kettle burner can be lit as soon as liquid covers the bottom of the kettle.
6. Once a desired pre-boil volume is reached in the boil kettle, turn off both pumps, and close the output valves.

## Boil



1. Bring wort to boil and add additions as required.
2. At the end of the boil, set the valves to the position shown above and turn on Pump 2 to Whirlpool for about 10 minutes. Let the Wort settle for 10 to 15 minutes at the end of the whirlpool.

# Chill



1. Connect hose as shown for chilling.
2. Turn on cold water supply and begin pumping wort through the heat exchanger.
3. Monitor the temperature on the ThruMometer and adjust flow as required. Decrease wort flow to lower the temperature or decrease water flow to increase the temperature.

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