

Electric Pilot System

Assembly, Operation, & Maintenance



Congratulations on your purchase, and thank you for selecting the Electric Pilot System from Blichmann Engineering™. 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.



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1BBL Pilot Systems come with Dual Element Controllers. All other systems will come with BrewCommander™ Controllers.

What's In the Box?

Item Number	Description	Quantity
*	G2 BoilerMaker™	3
*	Dual Element Controller / BrewCommander™	*
*	BoilCoil™	*
aRipTide-Pump	RipTide™ Pump	2
HE-002-03	Therminator™	1
aThruMometer-1/2	ThruMometer Assembly 1/2"	1
AutoSparge	AutoSparge™	1
aWhirlPool-G2	Whirlpool Kit	*
aQR-Chiller-Bkt-LTE	Quick Release Chiller Bracket	1
QC-12ELBOW-01	QC 1/2" Elbow	7

Item Number	Description	Quantity
QC-12STEM-01	QC Stem - 1/2"	6
QC-12NUT-01	QC Nut 1/2"	13
BE-000105-00	O-ring - QuickConnector	13
aHex_nipple_12_NPT	1/2" Hex Nipple	2
BE-000641-00	3-way Ball Valve	*
BE-000359-00	Hose - Silicone Tubing	20 Feet
BE-000623-00	Flow Meter	1
aHERMSCoil-L	HERMS Coil	*
aRIMS-Rocket-240V-HopRocket	RIMS-Rocket™	*

* = Item Number and Quantity Depend on System Size

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Receptacle Box Assembly

Remove the faceplate from the receptacle box. Locate the studs on the bottom of the table and install the receptacle box to the table using the fasteners on the studs. Reinstall the receptacle cover.

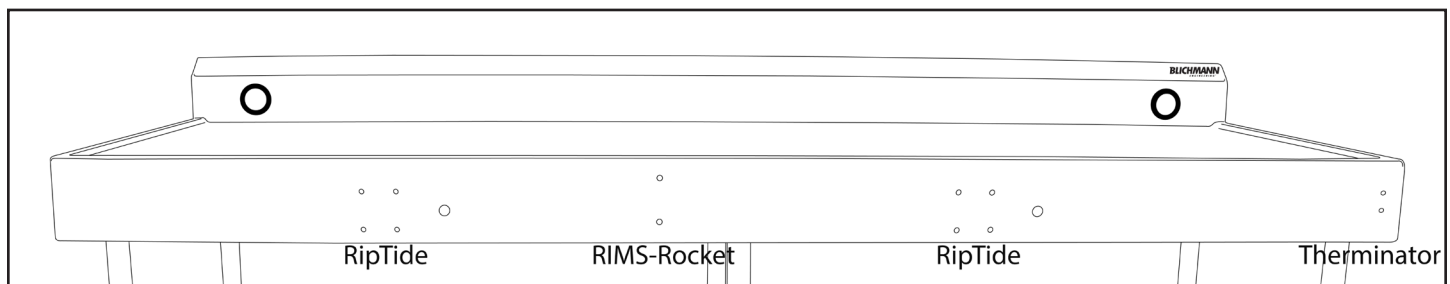
Table Assembly

Step 1: Set the table top upside down on the floor.

Step 2: There will be either 4 or 6 slots for legs on your table. Loosen all lock screws on the table and shelf. Set all legs in place and leave all set screws loose.

Step 3: Slide the shelf upside down onto the legs until the leg extends through the shelf bracket about 1 to 1 1/2 inches and tighten all set screws with the included allen wrench.

Step 4: Once the shelf and the set screws are tight, it's 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 insure its securely in place. Flip the table over onto the casters.



Electrical Requirements

System Size	240v 30 Amp GFCI L6-30R Outlet	120v 15 Amp GFCI Outlet
5	2	1
10	2	1
15	2	1
20	2	1
1BBI	4	1
20 Gal BrewEasy™	1	1
1 BBL BrewEasy™	2	1

Before continuing install the following items into your BoilerMaker™ kettles:

AutoSparge™

False Bottom

Temperature Sensors

- HERMS: Hot Liquor Tank (HLT) and Boil Kettle (BK)
- RIMS: HLT and Sensor Fitting on RIMS Rocket

BrewMometer™

- HERMS: Mash Tun (MT)
- RIMS: BK

Whirlpool Kits

- HERMS: HLT and BK
- RIMS: BK

BoilCoil™ Heating Elements

- HLT, BK, and RIMS Rocket (if applicable)

Installing the RipTide™ Pumps

- Step 1:** Mount the RipTide™ to the table with the 1/4-20 hardware. Make sure the pump head is facing to the left and the cord is on the right.
- Step 2:** Remove the grommet and slide the RipTide™ cable through the grommet and hole. Reinstall the grommet.
- Step 3:** Plug into the receptacle of the nearest BrewCommander™.
- Step 4:** Plug the 6ft 120v extension cable from the BrewCommander™ 120v cable (shown in Figure A) to the outlet on the bottom of the table.

If using the 1BBL with Dual Element Controllers Connect the RipTide™ cables into the outlet on the bottom of the table.

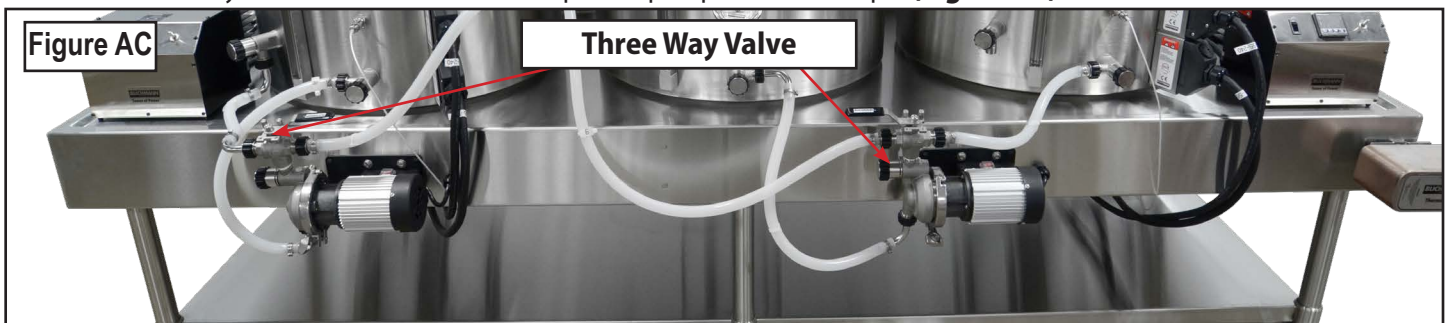


BrewEasy RipTide™ Pumps

After the RipTides™ are installed, connect one pump to the BrewCommander™ Controller. Attach the extension cord from the 120v male plug on the BrewCommander™ to the outlet on the bottom of the table. Plug the other RipTide™ into the electrical box on the bottom of the table.

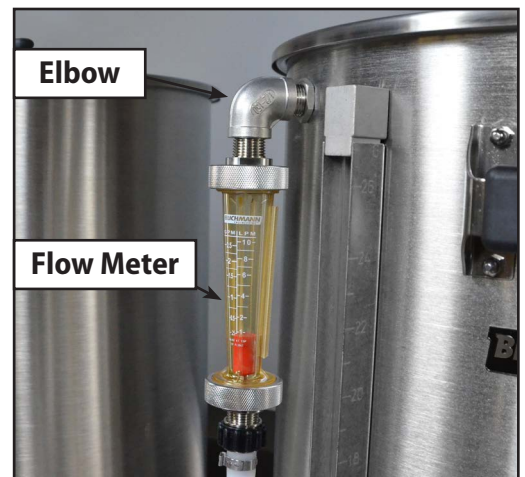
1 BBL BrewEasy™ system - plug both pumps into the electric box.

Attach the three way valve to each outlet of the RipTide™ pumps with PTFE tape. (Figure AC)



Flow Meter

Attach the elbow to the AutoSparge™ output with PTFE tape. Refer to the AutoSparge™ manual for installation instructions. Attach the Flow Meter to the elbow with PTFE tape.



Thread Sealing Tape

Use thread tape on all male threads except when using QuickConnects™.

HERMS SYSTEM ONLY

Attach the Tee Fitting on your HERMS system to the bottom of the HERMS coil with PTFE Tape. Attach the hex nipples to the ends of the Tee Fitting using PTFE tape. (**Figure AB**)

RIMS SYSTEM ONLY

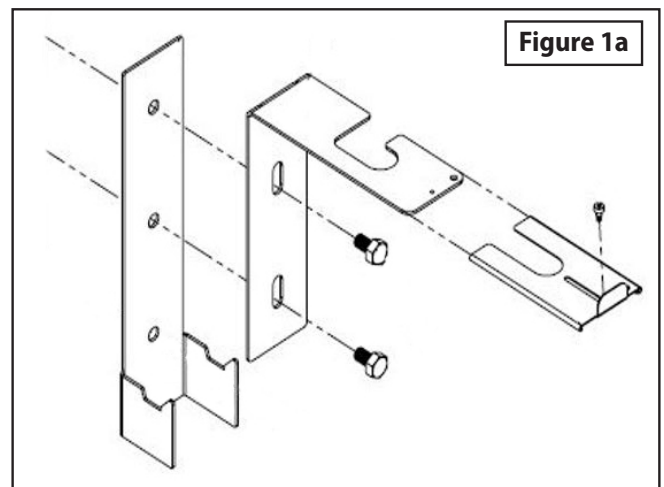
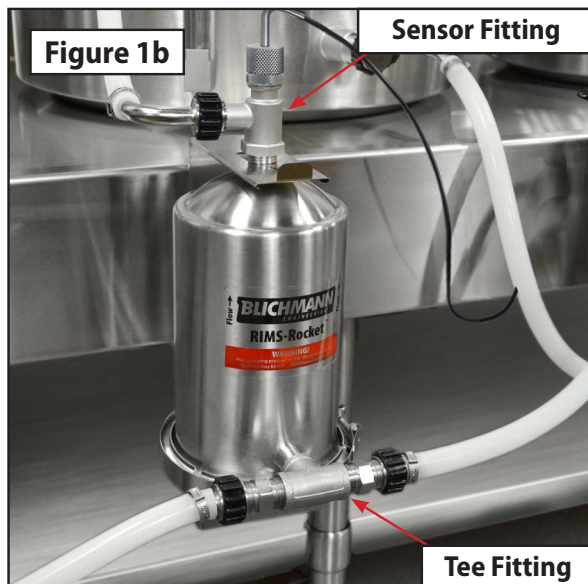
Installing the RIMS-Rocket™

Mount the RIMS-Rocket™ with the HopRocket™ Mounting Bracket. Use the 5/16 hardware to secure the mounting bracket to the table. (**Figure 1a**)

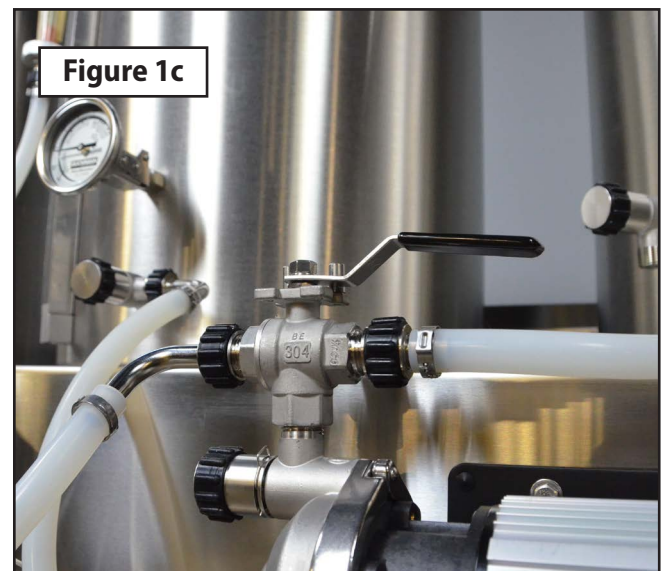
NOTE: The Mounting Bracket will come with a t-slot plate that is used for the TopTier stand. This will not be needed for the Pilot System.



Attach the temperature sensor to the top of the RIMS-Rocket™ with PTFE tape. Attach the Tee Fitting to the front of the RIMS-Rocket™ with PTFE tape. (**Figure 1b**) Attach the Hex Nipples to the ends of the Tee Fitting.



Attach the 3 way valve to the right RipTide outlet with PTFE tape on a RIMS System. (**Figure 1c**)



Installing the Therminator™

Mount the Quick Release plate to the table using the hardware provided. **(Figure 2)**



Installing the BrewCommander™

There will be 1 or 2 cable pass-through holes in the back of the table to run the controller cords through. If you are using the Dual Element Controller it is possible for all four cables to fit through a single grommet.

Step 1: Remove Grommet.

Step 2: One cable at a time, route cables through the table and grommet.

Step 3: Re-install grommet into table. (See images below.)

Step 4: Plug the 115V extension cable(s) into the outlet under the table. Plug the BrewCommander™ into the extension cord.



**Pictures shown for 55 gallon systems only . All other systems will have 2 cables running through the grommet.*

Cord Management

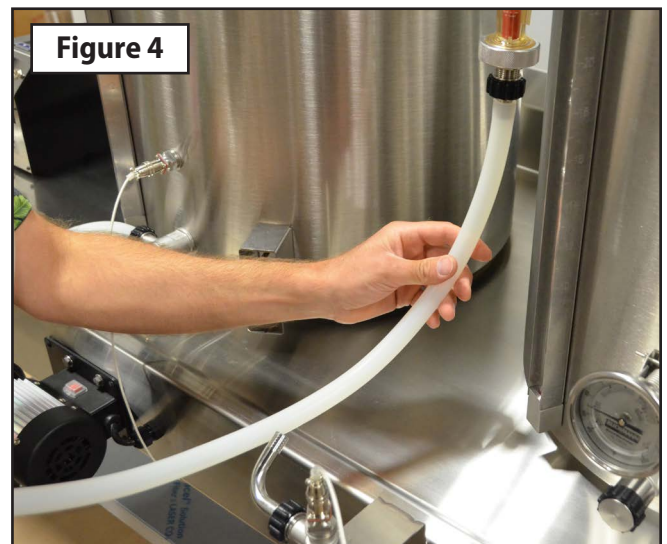
Your parts kit will contain adhesive Velcro straps. Use the small straps underneath the table to hold the RipTide™ pump wires. Use the large Velcro straps to mount to the back of the table. Your table will have 3 or 5 studs on the back to mount your large Velcro straps to. Attach the large Velcro straps to the back of the table with the adhesive and use the acorn nut to lock them in place. This will add extra reinforcement to the straps. The stud in the center of the table is for the RipTide™ cord and the 2 studs closest to the cable hole and grommet is for the BoilCoil™ cables. **(Figure 3)**



Installing Hose

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 crimping tool. **(Figure 4)**

Your parts kit will come with zip ties to label your hose.



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 5)**

**For systems using smaller kettles use what is provided in the AutoSparge™ box. It will have the correct hose length, ball, and stem.*



Assembling Your System

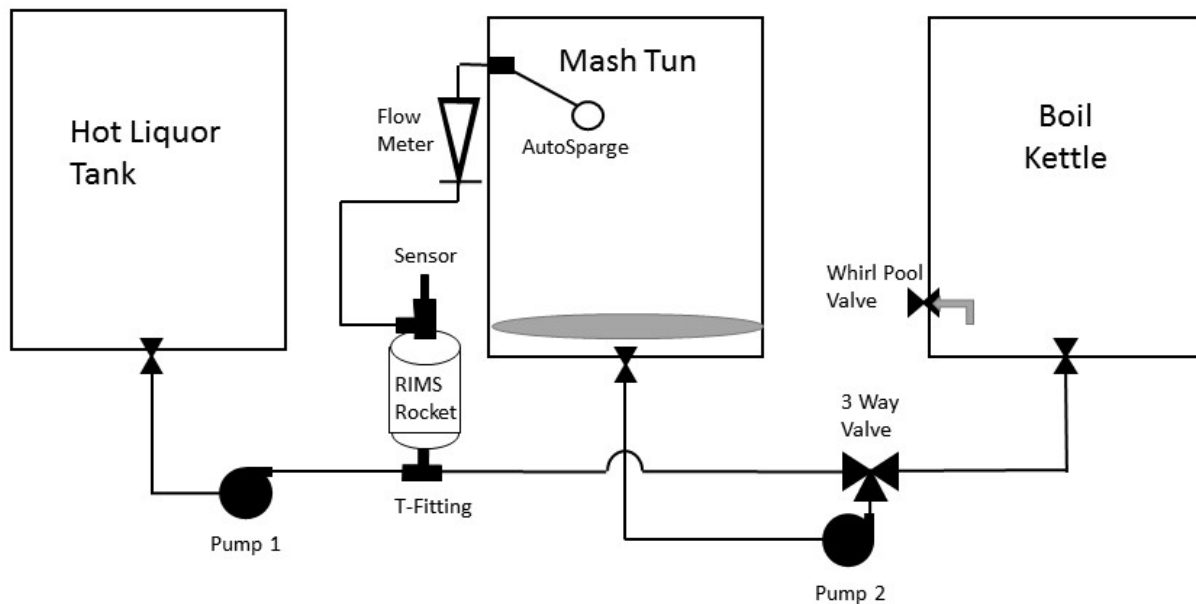
There are different system configurations we offer. Use the diagram that best suits your needs.

3 Vessel RIMS System (5 gal - 20 gal)

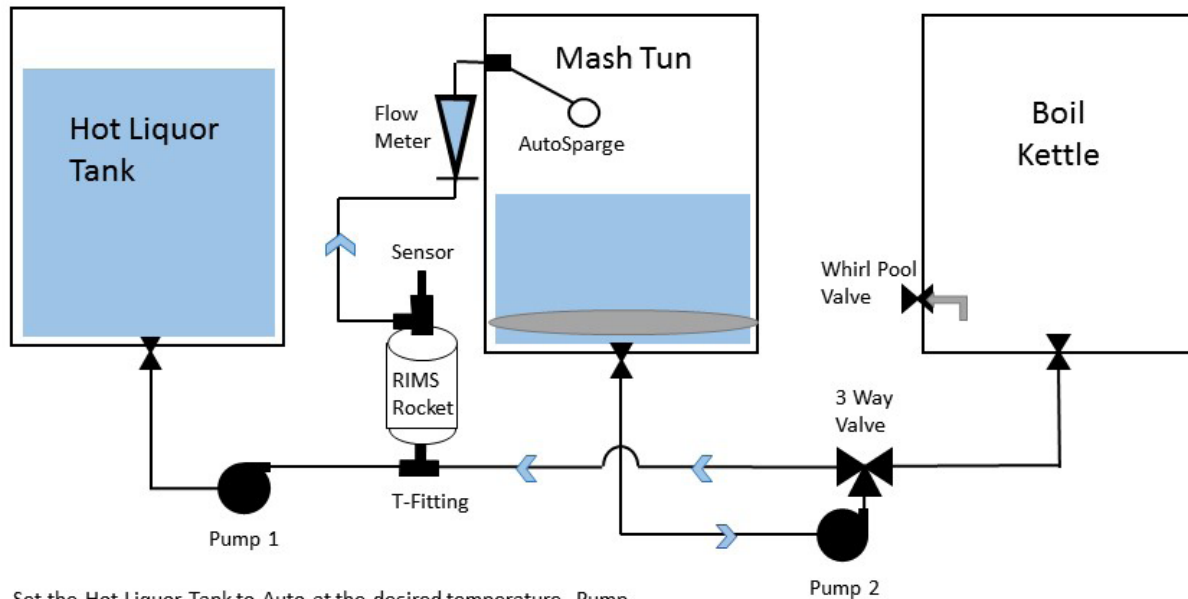


**20 Gallon System Shown*

Refer to all manuals of each individual component for assembly and operation.

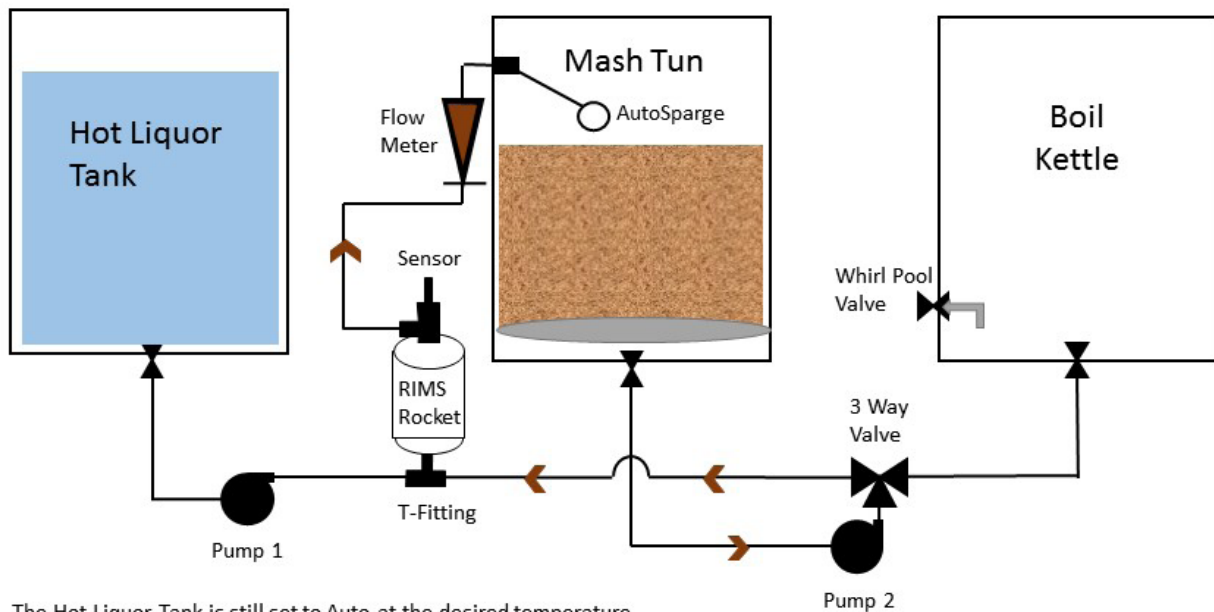


Step 1: Heat Brewing Water



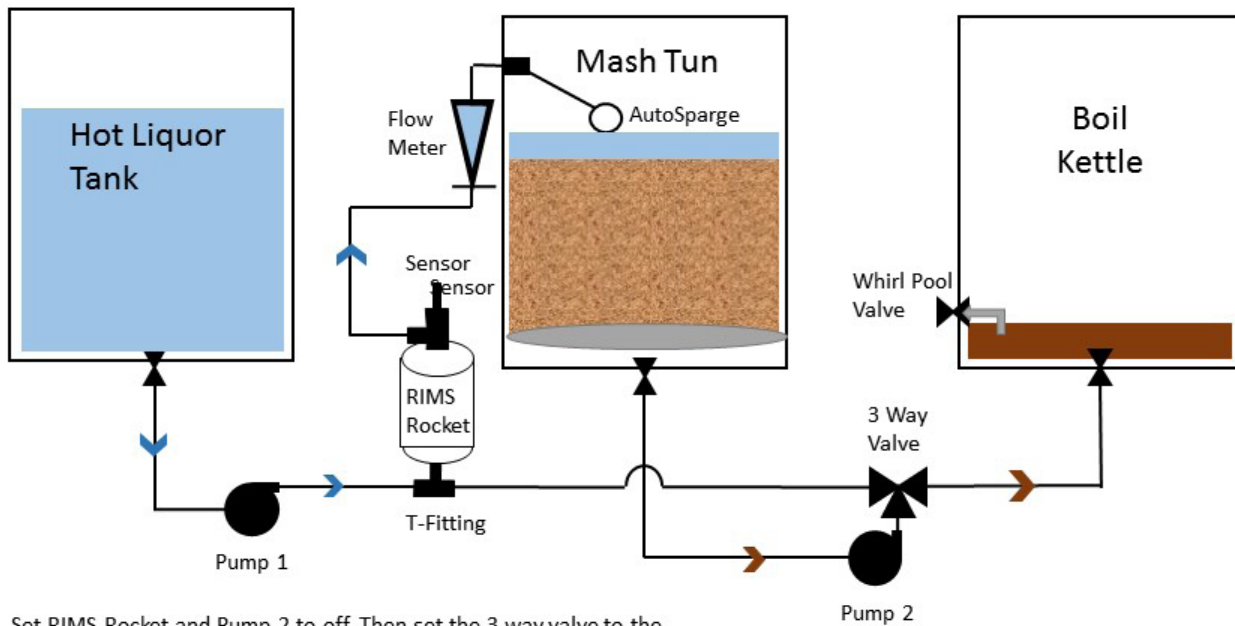
1. Set the Hot Liquor Tank to Auto at the desired temperature. Pump 1 is set to off.
2. Set Pump 2 to on with the three way valve set to recirculate.
3. Set the RIMS Rocket to Auto at the desired strike water temperature.

Step 2: Add Grain and Recirculate



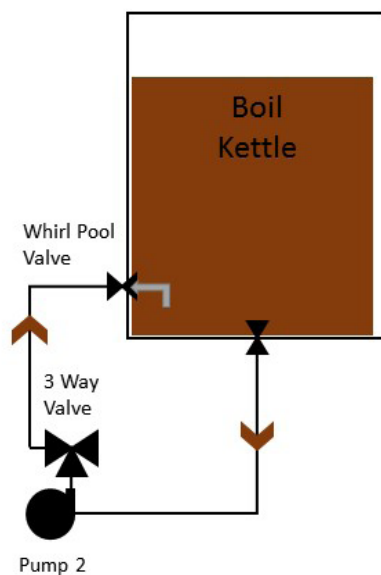
1. The Hot Liquor Tank is still set to Auto at the desired temperature. Pump 1 remains off.
2. Set RIMS Rocket to Reset or OFF
3. Set Pump 2 to off and add the grain to the Mash Tun (Dough in)
4. Stir well and let the grain set for 10 minutes before setting Pump 2 to on. Set the appropriate flow rate.
5. Set the RIMS Rocket at the desired Mash temperature and perform step mashing techniques as desired. Always set heat to off before setting Pump 2 to off.

Step 3: Sparge



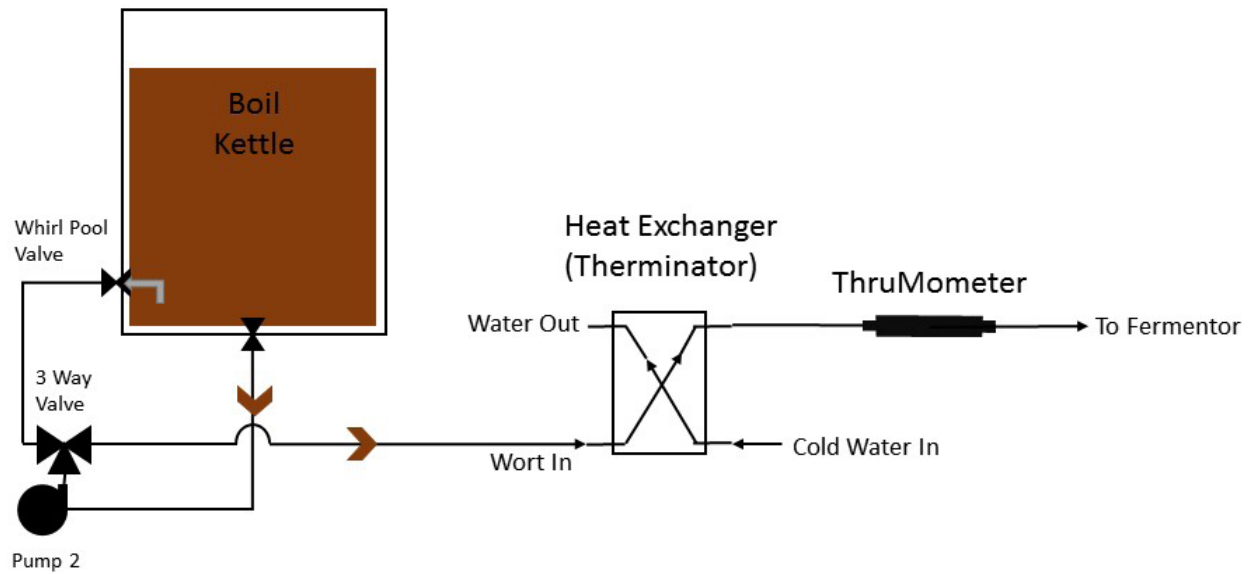
1. Set RIMS Rocket and Pump 2 to off. Then set the 3 way valve to the Boil Kettle.
2. Set the appropriate level with the AutoSparge and set Pump 1 to on. Adjust the flow to the desired flow rate. In this configuration, the flow rate shown on the flow meter will be determined by the valve on Pump 2.

4. Boil and Whirlpool



1. Boil the wort and add desired ingredients
2. Connect hoses as shown for Whirlpool and recirculate as desired.

5. Chill Wort and Transfer



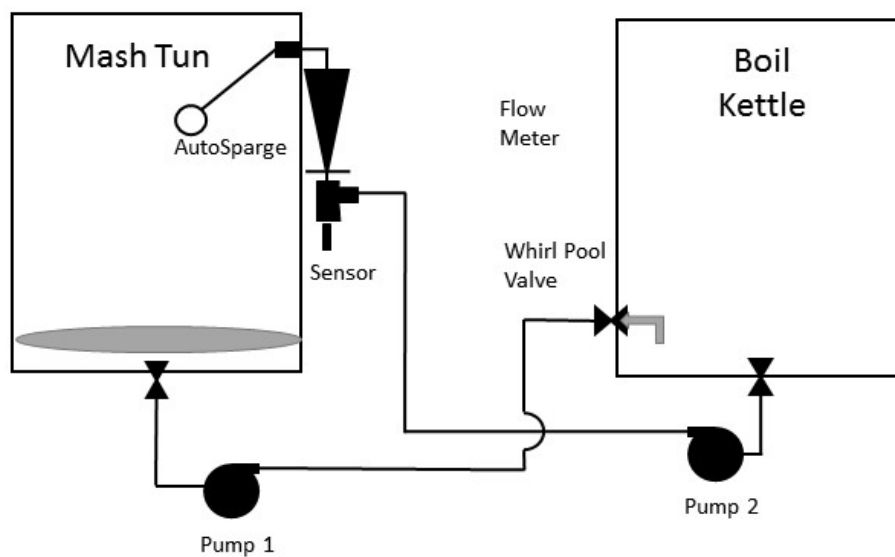
1. Connect hose as show for chilling.
2. Turn on cold water supply and begin pumping wort through the heat exchanger.
3. Monitor the temperature on the ThruMometer and adjust flow as required. Decrease wort flow to lower the temperature or decrease water flow to increase the temperature.

Horizontal BrewEasy™ (20 gal - 1 BBL)

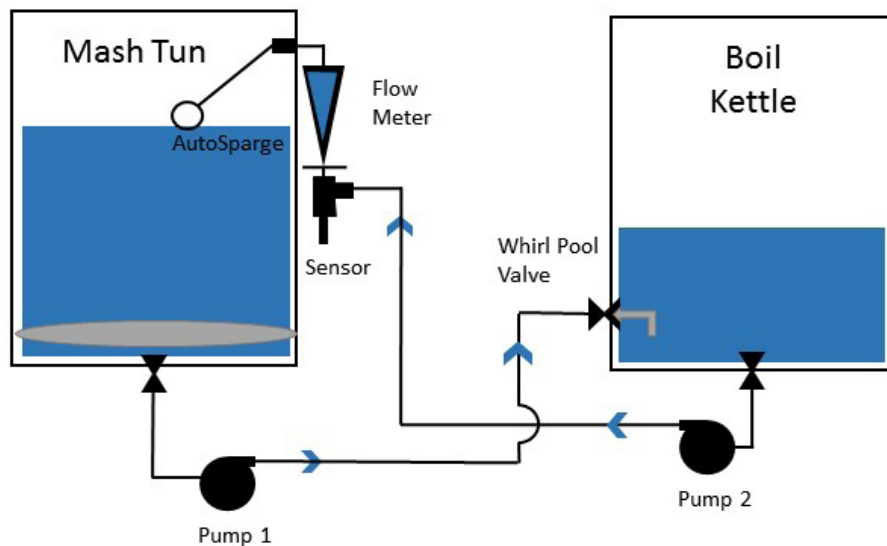


**1 BBL System Shown*

Plumbing and Hardware Schematic:
2 Vessel, BrewEasy

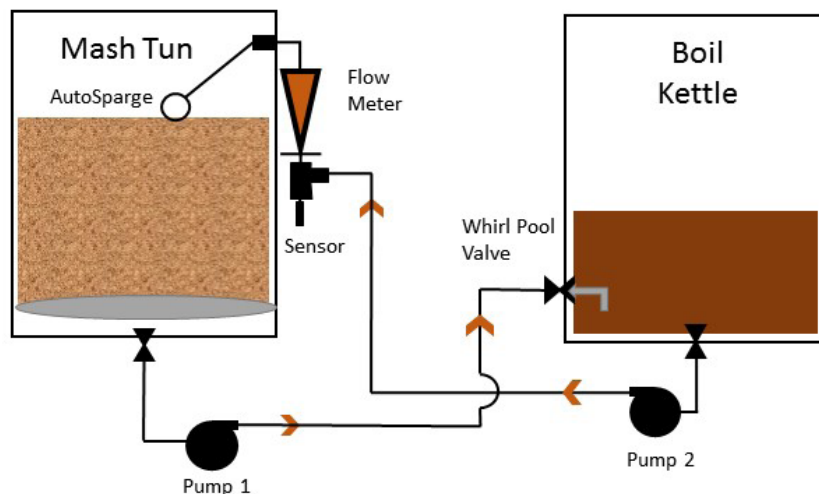


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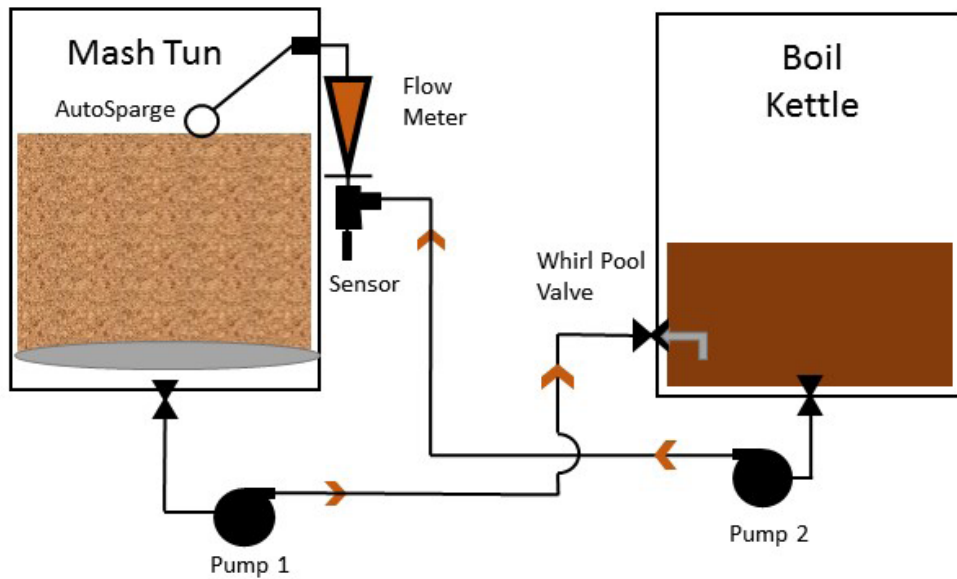
1. Set the Controller to Auto at the desired temperature.
2. Adjust AutoSparge to the appropriate level. Pump 2 is set to on.
3. Set Pump 1 to on. Ensure the BoilCoils are completely covered while heating

Step Two: Add Grain and Recirculate



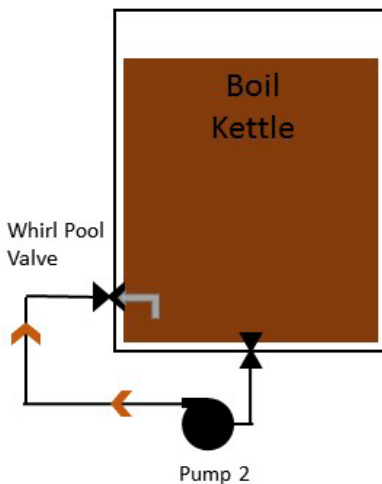
1. Set controller to Reset or OFF
2. Set Pump 1 and Pump 2 to off, close the valve on Pump 1, and add the grain to the Mash Tun (Dough in)
3. Stir well and let the grain set for 10 minutes before setting Pump 2 to on. Adjust the AutoSparge as required, set Pump 1 to on, and adjust the flow rate of the system with the valve located on Pump 1.
4. Set the controller to the desired Mash temperature and perform step mashing techniques as desired. Always set heat to off before setting Pump 1 or Pump 2 to off.

Step Three: Sparge



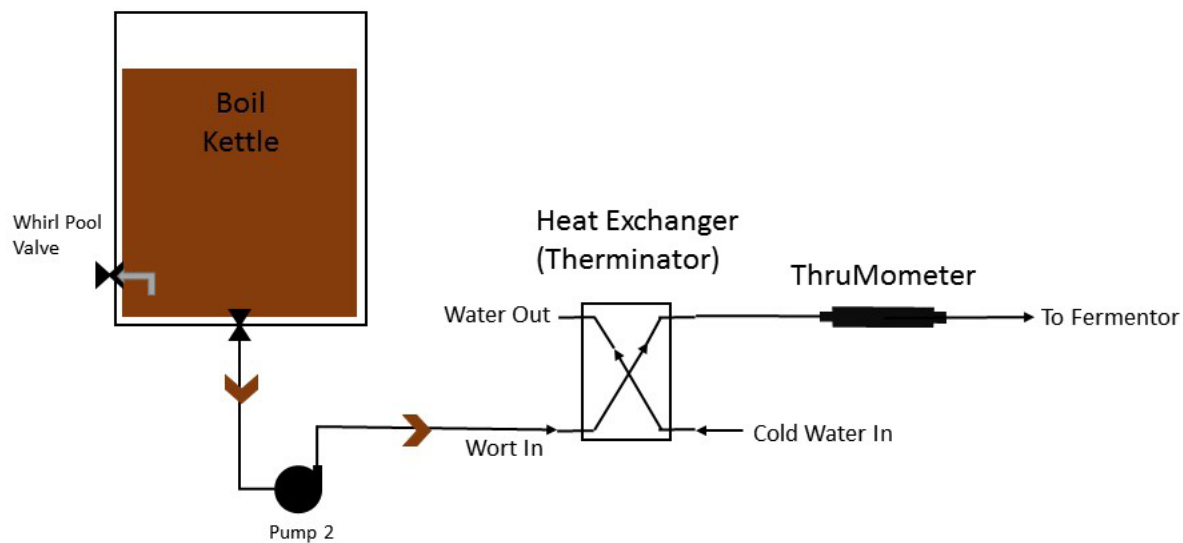
1. Close the valve located on Pump 2 and set the pump to off.
2. Set the Controller to On.
3. Pump all of the wort from the Mash Tun into the Boil Kettle.
4. Boil the Wort as required

Step Four: Boil and WhirlPool



1. Close all the valves and re-configure the hoses as shown.
2. WhirlPool as desired.

Step Five: Chill Wort and Transfer



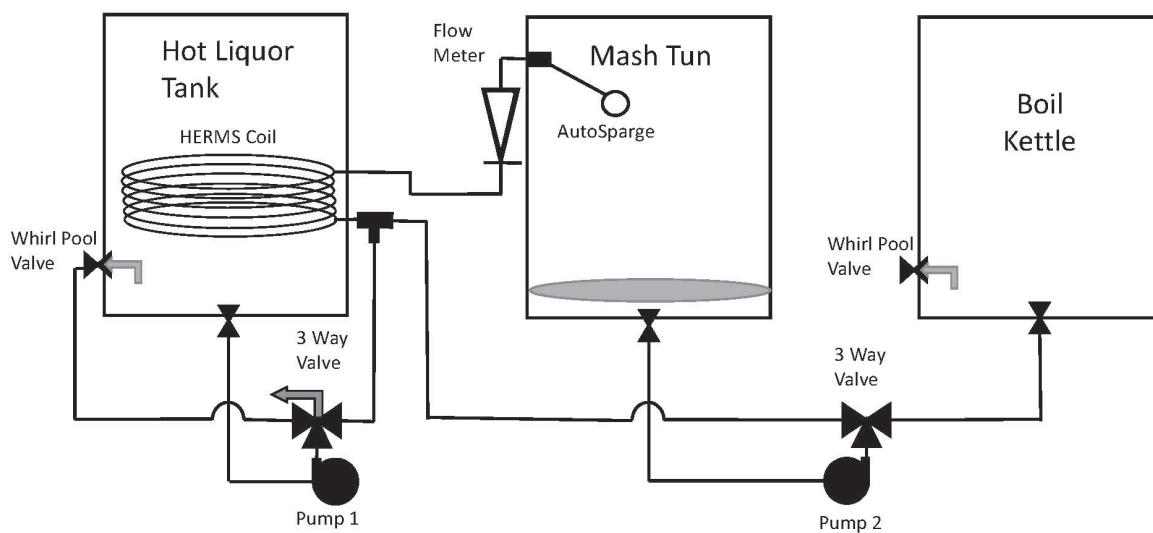
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3. Monitor the temperature on the ThruMometer and adjust flow as required. Decrease wort flow to lower the temperature or decrease water flow to increase the wort temperature.

3 Vessel HERMS System (5 gal - 1 BBL)



**1 BBL System Shown*

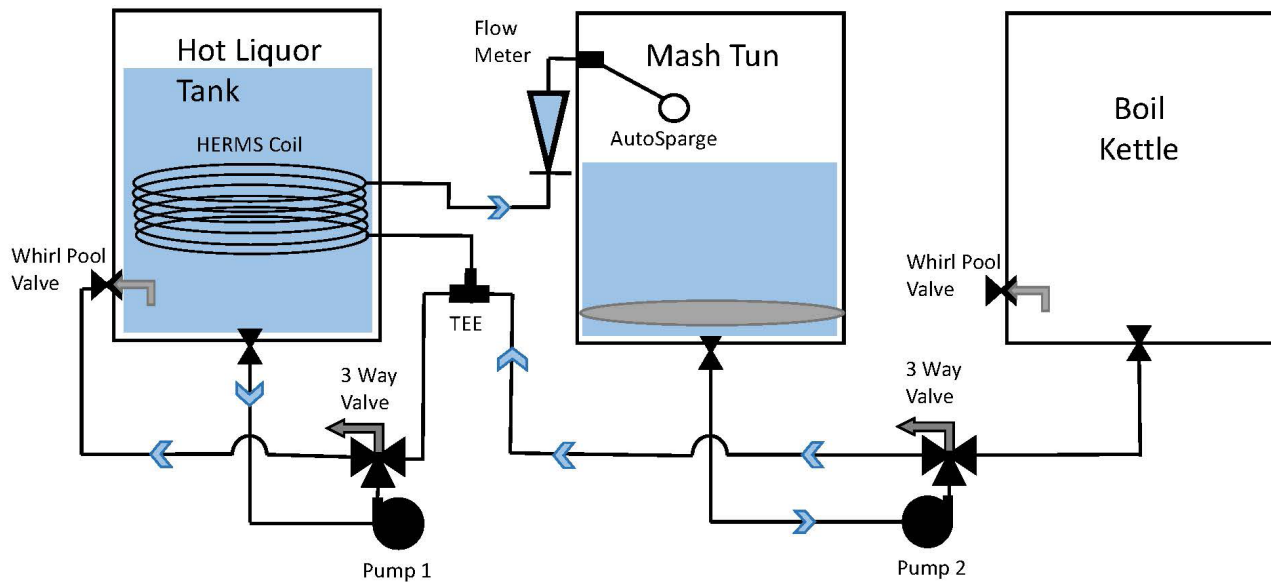
Plumbing and Hardware Schematic:
3 Vessel, Electric HERMS



1. Connect hoses as shown.

T-Fitting

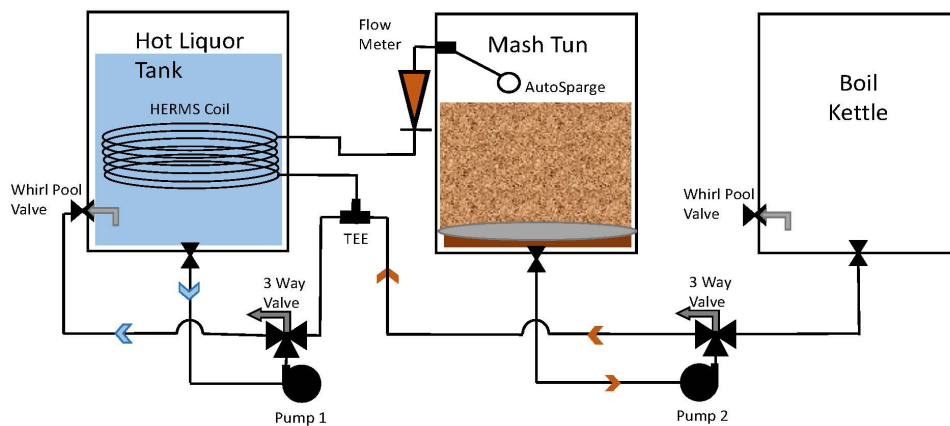
Step 1: Heat Brewing Liquor



1. Set the Hot Liquor Tank to Auto at about 5 degrees above the desired strike water temperature.
2. Set both pumps to ON and direct the flow as shown for dual recirculation.
3. The Left controller will maintain the HLT Temperature, and the mash temperature will remain steady at a few degrees below the HLT. This temperature offset will vary on system size, flow rate and other factors. Document this offset for future use.

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Flow Diagram, 3 Vessel, HERMS V5, 3/25/19

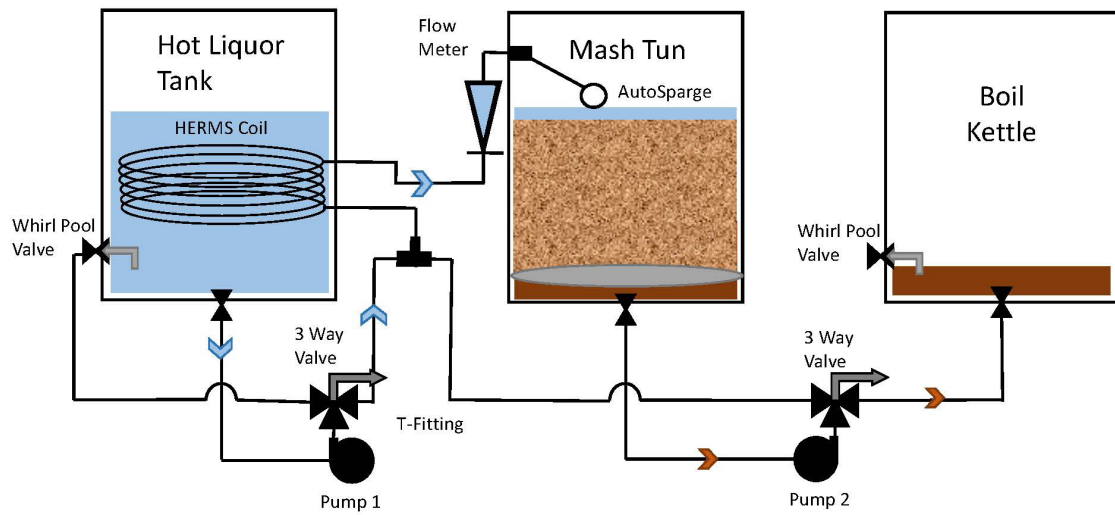
Step 2: Add Grain and Recirculate



1. Once the strike water is at the desired temp, set Pump 2 to OFF and add the grain to the Mash Tun. (Dough in)
2. Turn off the Hot Liquor Tank, continue to recirculate with Pump 1. Allow the Hot Liquor Tank to cool to about 5 degrees above the desired Mash Temperature.
3. Set HLT controller Auto to about 5 degrees above the desired Mash Temperature
4. After 10 minutes of rest, set Pump 2 to ON and adjust the valve to set the appropriate flow rate
5. Perform desired step mashing techniques as required. Determine the correct temperature offset to achieve favorable mash temperature and heating times.

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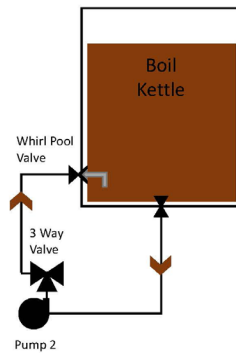
Step 3: Sparge



1. Turn the valve on Pump 2 towards the Boil Kettle.
2. Redirect the flow of Pump 1 to the Right and set the appropriate level on the AutoSparge.
3. Set the Hot Liquor Tank Teamp controller to off when the level falls to the temperature probe.
4. Set the Boil Kettle controller to Manual and 100% power after the BoilCoil is completely submerged in wort.

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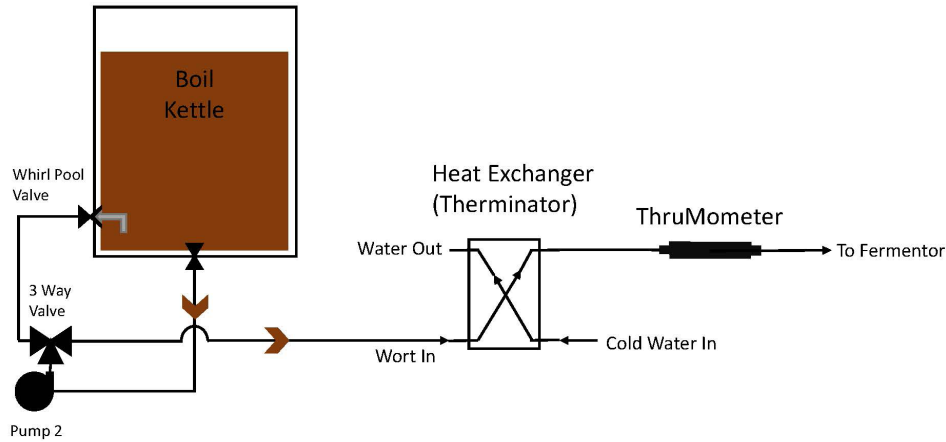
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Step 5. Chill Wort and Transfer



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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 - e. *Damaging the tamper label on the product;*
 - f. *Damage by over-tightening the fasteners;*
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