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# Dishwasher Service Training Manual

## Each section contains:

- Access/Disassembly
- Installation/Reassembly
- Service Tips, including quick measurements from fascia panels



This manual covers the S line of dishwashers, the high tech leader worldwide.

There's also helpful serial # label information.

# Distinctive Features & Innovations (1)

By definition, service professionals are only called when there are problems -- getting only one side of the story. The complete story includes many innovations and features not found on other dishwashers. Because of these distinctive features & innovations, many people will be owning S dishwashers -- making learning how to repair them very important.

### Separate circulation & drain pumps

Separate pumps are quieter, more efficient and use less energy.





### Flow-through water heater

Flow-though water heaters allow use of tall tubs (with more space for dishes), prevent damage to dishes & allow 100% water filtering.

A safety flow switch prevents heating without water flow.

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# Distinctive Features & Innovations (2)

### No Pre-washing Needed

S dishwashers clean so well no prewashing is needed.



### **NSF** Sanitizing

Many wash cycles are NSF certified, providing sanitized dishes. Many models have an indicating light showing dishes are sanitized.

### Insulation

Tank & door insulation provides quiet dishwashers.

Bitumen insulation also holds heat in, saving time/energy and enabling condensation drying.



### **Condensation Drying**

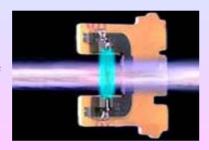
Dishes are dried quickly without using an element in the tank.



# Distinctive Features & Innovations (3)

### *hydroSensor™* Wash

Provides energy & water savings.



Suspended circulation pump + solid base

Helps provide the quietest dishwashers in the industry.



Did you know S is the industry leader in dishwasher innovations worldwide?



# Distinctive Features & Innovations (4)

### 100% Filtered Wash Water

Unlike other dishwashers, 100% of water is filtered.



### Adjustable Racks

Adjustable racks and many other options provide complete flexibility in dishwasher loading.



### Tall Stainless Steel Tanks



### **Energy Star Rated**

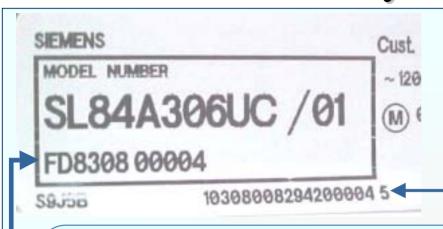
All dishwashers are certified energy savers.



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## Warranty Serial # Info





The serial label is fastened to the right edge of the inner door.

FD8308 00004

### <u>Understanding FD Serial #</u> <u>(used for warranty)</u>

The FD # shows the Fabrication Date

- The first 2 #s represent the year: 83 = 2003 (after adding "20" to the #; e.g. 83 + 20 = 103)
- The next 2 #s represent the month: 08 = August
- The next 5 #s represent the unit made that month: 00004 = 4th SL84A306 made that month

This helps the factory investigate product problems.

#### 10 3 08 0082942 00004 5

#### **Understanding Factory Serial #**

- The first 2 #'s represent a factory code: 10 = New Bern dishwasher, 82 = New Bern cooking
- The 3<sup>rd</sup> # represents the last digit of the year: 3 = 2003
- The next 2 #'s represent the month: 08 = August
- The next 7 #'s represent the model: 0082942 = SL84A306UC
- The next 5 #'s represent the unit made that month: 00004 = 4th SL84A306UC made that month
- The last # represents a check digit = 5 in this case (is dependent on all preceding #'s)

Please hold all warranty parts for (60) days for possible return for analysis.

## Dishwasher Service Training Contents

### Dishwasher Main Parts:

**<u>NOTE</u>**: Dishwashers are rated 120V, 60 Hz, 15A, 1450W (max.). Maximum amp draw when heaters running ~ 11A.

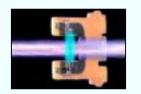
Water valves.... Most damaged valves occur from being cracked by fittings being overtightened -- some valves are damaged from hard water or debris from customer pipes clogging them so they can't close securely. A damaged valve can allow some water onto kitchen floors.



- 2 **Impellers or circulation pumps....**They're improved and perform well, but expectations are high for dishwashers in rarely used summer homes.
- 3 **Control modules....**From heater relay solder joints to broken buttons to "F" or "2H" fault codes, modules can fail occasionally. <u>However, many good modules have been replaced due to unrelated problems</u>.
- 4 Heaters & NTC's....Either one can cause heating problems, but there can be other parts to check as well....
- Drain pumps....Check drain hose installation 1st to confirm if it's the pump or not.

  Many good pumps have been replaced because high loops were missing.
- **Dispensers...**.Repairs often due to customer abuse.
- Cosmetic damage....Dinged doors and broken buttons, often during shipment.
- 8 **Door latches....** Often broken microswitches on integrated models, understandable seeing how dishwashers are treated. Can be misaligned latches or miswired switches.
- 9 **Hydrosensors...**Not crucial to operation, but can affect energy & water usage.
- Water fill assemblies....Microswitches can fail. Can be affected when units have been flipped upside-down, allowing sump water to get into diaphragm.





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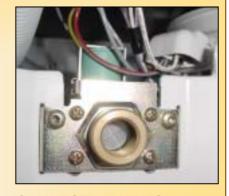
## Part # 1 -- Water Valve (1)

### <u>Disassembly</u>

The water valve is accessed from the front of the dishwasher base by removing the toe kick.

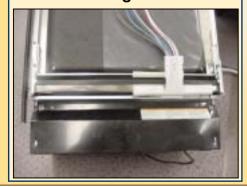
#### To remove water valve:

- Remove two (2) T-20 Torx screws from toe kick and tilt toe kick out from under dishwasher.
- Remove base insulation (on models with insulation).
- Move sump inlet hose away from water valve (without disconnecting it).
- Disconnect wires from water valve, including ground wire.
- Remove two (2) T-20 Torx screws from water valve.
- Pull valve out from dishwasher and disconnect water hose from rear of valve. Remove any water from sump & base.

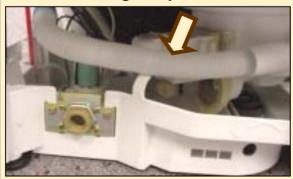


CONNECTION HINTS: Water connection 3/8" NPT female. Inlet water pressure range 5 - 120 psi (0.3 – 8.27 bars).

#### Removing toe kick



#### Moving sump hose



#### Removing hose clamp



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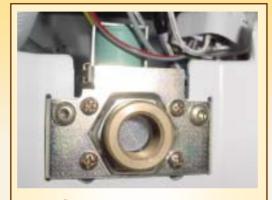
## Part # 1 -- Water Valve (2)

### **Service Tips**



NOTE: All water valves have yellow solenoid stems.

The current valve (part # 189533) has the solenoid mounted horizontally and the water fitting held in place by the metal mounting bracket. It is the only replacement valve available.



#### HINTS:

- When reconnecting the water supply to the water valve, don't overtighten the fitting.
- Using Teflon tape on water fittings can help prevent leaking.
- The water valve can be accessed without removing outer door or base cover. However, removing them will provide easier access.

## Part # 2 -- Circulation Pump & Impeller (1)



The circulation pump & capacitor are accessed from the right side of the dishwasher by removing the right side panel and blocking the tank.

### To remove outer door:

- Remove six T-20 Torx inner door screws below fascia panel -- three per side (1).
- Carefully pull bottom of outer door out from dishwasher until top door tabs clear, then pull door down until it releases from dishwasher (2). Take care to not scratch outer door.
- Remove two plastic door guards (3). They occasionally fall out when the outer door is removed.







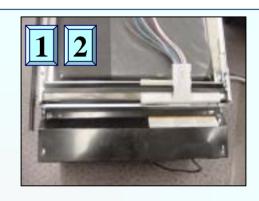
**<u>NOTE</u>**: Circulation pump motor rated 120V, 60 Hz, 160W, insulation class A. Motor has an auto-reset thermal protector and uses a  $10\mu F$  capacitor.

<u>HINT</u>: The fascia panel and door don't need to be removed to access the circulation pump. However, they must be removed to completely remove the tank.

## Part # 2 -- Circulation Pump & Impeller (2)

### To remove toe kick:

- Remove two T-20 Torx screws from toe kick (1).
- Tilt toe kick out from under dishwasher (2).



### To remove right & left side panels:

- Remove two T-20 Torx side panel screws through holes in right & left trim strips (1).
- Carefully slide trim strips up and out of dishwasher (2). If side panels are removed carefully to avoid damaging trim strips, then trim strips don't need to be removed.
- Lift side panels up and out from dishwasher (3). Panels can be removed with trim strips. Although removing the left side panel isn't necessary for access, it does allow the right side of the tank to be blocked upward.







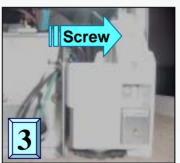
## Part # 2 -- Circulation Pump & Impeller (3)

### To raise right side of tank for circulation pump access:

- Remove one T-20 Torx screw from both rear corners holding tank to base (1) -- removing screw from both sides allows tank to be blocked upward.
- Remove right toe kick bracket by removing T-20 Torx screw (2).
- Remove T-20 Torx screws from front right bottom corner holding tank to base (3).
- Remove right hinge cover (4a), release right door tension cord from hinge (4b) & remove ground wire (4c).
- Raise and block up tank as shown with strut onto base (5a), sliding a piece of wood or other solid material between the tank and base to keep tank from falling back onto base (5b).

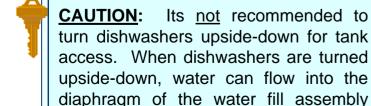












and cause water to not fill properly.







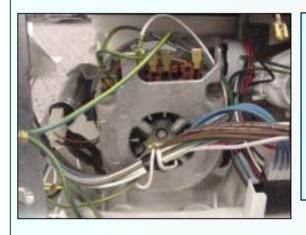
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## Part # 2 -- Circulation Pump & Impeller (4)

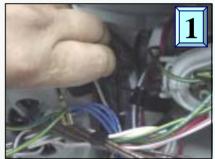
### **Disassembly**

### To remove motor to access impeller or change complete pump:

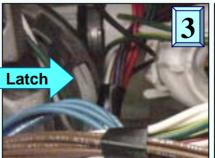
- Market Street Disconnect wire harness from motor after carefully noting connections (1).
- Lift up rubber straps from both sides of motor (2).
- To release plastic latch on pump/motor housing, carefully push onto latch with screwdriver (3).
- To release motor from pump housing, twist motor to the right (clockwise). Some force may be required. Capacitor should be ~ 11:00 position (4). Pull motor out from pump housing.



HINT: When replacing complete circulation pumps, reusing existing front pump housings (& discarding replacement housings) can save time by not having to change hose clamps. If desired, order # 172272 hose clamps & replace entire pumps.









**CAUTION:** Don't grab motor next to the capacitor to avoid jamming your hand on the capacitor.

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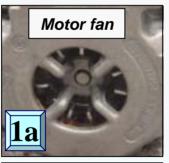
## Part # 2 -- Circulation Pump & Impeller (5)

### Reassembly

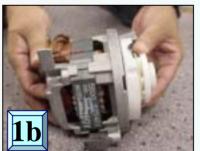
### To remove & install impeller (using kit # 167085):

- While holding motor fan so shaft won't spin (1a), unscrew impeller counterclockwise (1b).
- Rotate pump housing counterclockwise until tabs clear, then lift housing from motor (2).
- Remove spring and O-ring from pump housing, then lift spacer up from motor shaft (3).
- Place replacement spacer onto motor shaft (4). Note larger end goes onto shaft 1st.
- Install replacement spring & O-ring onto pump housing, then line up housing-motor tabs to screw pump housing onto motor (5a). Screw replacement impeller onto motor shaft (5b).
- Align motor to pump housing with capacitor @ 11:00 position to facilitate reassembly.









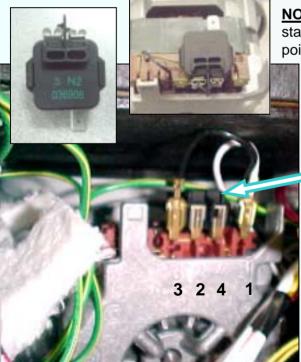






## Service Tips -- Checking (PTC) Pump Motor Starter (1)

The (PTC) circulation pump motor starter (# 182318) is used on SL95A ("ExactWash") models with water switches. The matching circulation pump (# 437345) has three slightly smaller & more efficient windings compared to the traditional pump with two larger windings (# 266511 motor / # 239144 pump). The 3rd (start) winding is cut out when the motor gets running. This stronger pump is needed due to the increased water flow resistance from the water switch.



**NOTE:** Install starter with terminal pointing inward.

NOTE: Pump # 437345 includes starter # 182318.

HINT: (PTC) motor starter is located on top of the pump motor and faces inward over the motor.

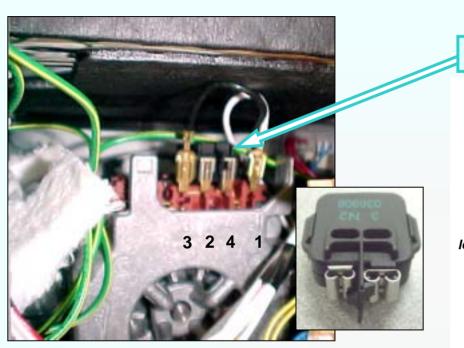


To install (PTC) motor starters, push female terminals over pump motor terminals 2 & 4. The terminals are different sizes to match the smaller motor terminal 4.

The (PTC) motor starter helps start the circulation pump. It's a ceramic thermal switch which conducts current & heats up, cutting out the 3rd (start) winding at a preset temperature. The two main windings (with the start/run capacitor) have power whenever the pump is running.

Check the motor starter if the pump motor won't start (starter stuck open) or runs hot (starter stuck closed).

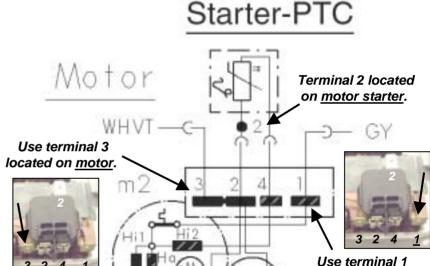
## Service Tips -- Checking (PTC) Pump Motor Starter (2)



**TECH TIPS:** Resistance measurements:

- Ω Between terminals 1 2 is ~ 7 Ω (one of the main run windings).
- Won't help between terminals 2 4 (start winding, a run winding & the motor starter). The motor starter can't be measured since the windings are always connected. Must disconnect PTC 1st to measure its continuity.

**NOTE:** Unlike standard two-winding pump motors, these three-winding pump motors have four terminals instead of three.



NOTE: Motor terminals 2 - 3 and both PTC terminals are tied together. Although factory units are connected to motor terminal 3, it doesn't matter if motor terminal 3 or PTC terminal 2 is used (both will work). Use motor terminal 3 to be consistent with factory units.

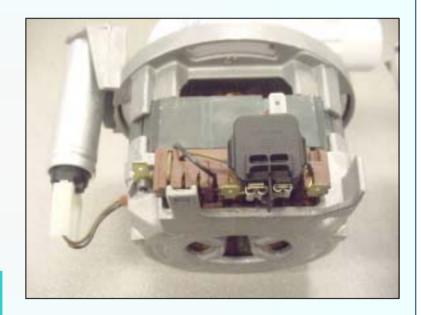
located on motor.

## Service Tips – Water Switch Pump Nuisance Tripping (1)

There has been some nuisance tripping of motor thermal protectors on three-winding circulation pumps for use with water switches (# 239129). To prevent nuisance tripping, these pumps have been replaced by pumps with upgraded thermal protectors (# 437345).

**NOTE:** Circulation pump # **437345** includes motor starter # **182318**. When replacing any pump, **always** replace the motor starter as well.

<u>TECH NOTES</u>: Motor starter # **423023** (15 $\Omega$ ) has a larger resistance to limit current draw through pump motor start windings. Winding temperatures are reduced, but starting torque is reduced as well (by **10%**). To obtain designed (and maximum) start torque and keep UL certification, do <u>not</u> use motor starter # **423023** with circulation pump # **437345**. Use <u>only</u> motor starter # **182318** with circulation pump # **437345**.



TECH TIPS: All circulation pump motors use autoreset thermal protectors. Once motor windings cool below a preset temperature, protectors reset and pumps will work again. If thermal protectors fail to reset, replace pumps.

## Service Tips – Water Switch Pump Nuisance Tripping (2)

#### **HINTS:** Identifying circulation pumps & motor starters:

- Motor starter # 182318 − look for # "036906" stamped on housing.
- Motor starter # 423023 − look for # "041692" stamped on housing.









# Service Tips -- Impeller Troubleshooting

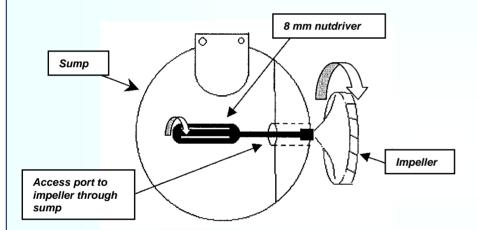
Symptom	Problem	Solution
Impeller won't turn.	Impeller is frozen.	Replace impeller with impeller kit # 167085. If not able to replace impeller immediately, place 8mm nutdriver on 8mm stud on impeller and rotate clockwise twice until impeller is freed up (for temporary fix until impeller can be replaced).
Impeller won't turn.	Debris binding pump.	Open sump & remove sump pump cover, then carefully remove debris from impeller. Check for broken glass to avoid being cut.
Impeller won't turn.	Motor is faulty.	Check resistance at motor terminals or at control panel (~ $7\Omega$ with water switch or $10\Omega$ without). Replace motor if faulty.

**WARNING!** Unplug dishwasher before starting any repairs.

# Service Tips -- Replacing Impellers (1)

Occasionally, a circulation pump impeller can stick if a dishwasher hasn't been used for a long time. Impeller ceramic rings and carbon rings are designed to reduce or eliminate impeller sticking (ceramic rings are located around shaft on rear of impeller).

For <u>temporary repairs</u> when <u>impeller replacement isn't possible</u>, impellers can be loosened by rotating them (accessed through the sump) using an **8mm** nut driver. Impellers should be replaced shortly thereafter when repairs are possible.

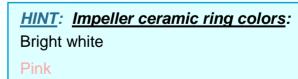


<u>NOTE</u>: Impellers should be replaced, not loosened, whenever possible. Loosening impellers should be done only be done as a temporary fix.

<u>HINTS</u>: <u>Make sure black spacer is</u> reinstalled -- failure to reinstall spacer can cause motor to bind.

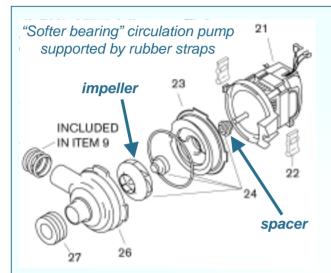
INSTRUCTIONS FOR LOOSENING IMPELLER: To loosen stuck impeller, access sump by removing microfilter and sump screen. Insert an 8mm nutdriver through sump hole to impeller -- place nutdriver onto 8mm stud on impeller and carefully rotate impeller clockwise until it becomes free (at least two full revolutions).

<u>NOTE</u>: Spacers and ceramic rings provide low friction and contact area, preventing impeller sticking when dishwashers haven't been used for long periods of time.





## Service Tips -- Replacing Impellers (2)

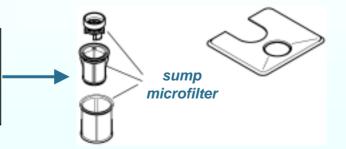


Occasionally, a circulation pump will jam when debris gets caught inside (when the sump filter wasn't tightened down) or when a dishwasher hasn't been used for months. Often circulation pumps are replaced when merely changing the *impeller* (kit # 167085, *item* # 24) will solve the problem.

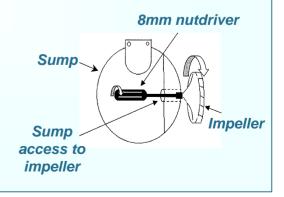
<u>CAUTION</u>: When replacing an impeller, <u>install the</u> <u>black spacer between the pump motor and the rear pump housing</u>. <u>Failure to do so may lock up the pump and damage the rear pump housing!</u>



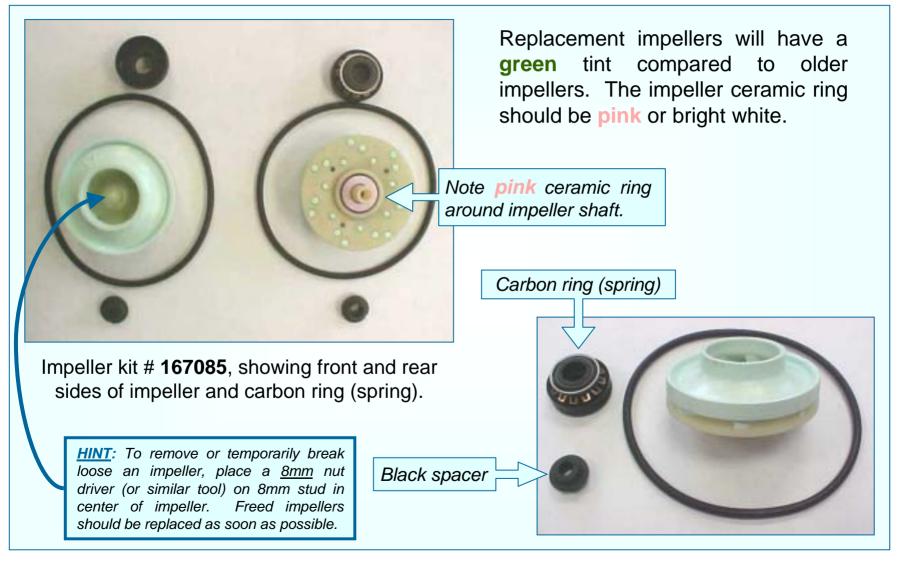
HINT: When replacing an impeller, instruct the customer to tighten the sump filter properly to avoid future problems.



<u>HINT</u>: Before replacing an impeller, try to break it free using an <u>8mm</u> nut driver (or similar tool).

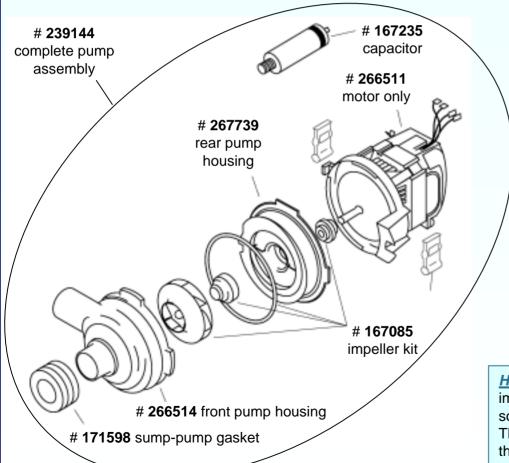


# Service Tips -- Replacing Impellers (3)



# Service Tips -- Pump & Motor Part #'s Change

SL34A & SL84A models use standard circulation pumps – repairs can be made with impeller kits (167085), complete pumps (239144) or pump motors (266511).



- 239144 -- complete circulation pump assembly (with impeller)
- 266511 -- circulation pump motor only

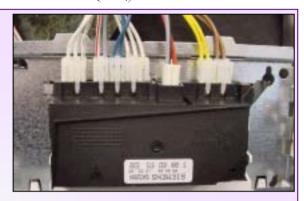
**HINT:** The preferred repair for replacing pump impellers is the # 167085 impeller kit. The other solution is using complete pump assembly # 239144. The # 266511 pump motor only should only be used if the motor fails (which rarely happens).

## Part # 3 -- Control Module (1)

### **Disassembly**

Control modules are easily removed from fascia panels by bending console tabs.

- Remove fascia panel by removing T-20 Torx inner door screws.
- Disconnect wire harnesses from module after noting connector locations.
- Pry out metal console tabs holding module to console.
- Carefully pry back plastic tabs, then slide module from console.











Removing door screws

Removing fascia panel

Viewing control module

Disconnecting wires







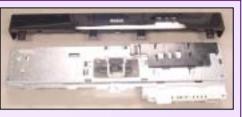
NOTE: Control modules for non-integrated models look differently and have different tabs, but are removed using the same procedure.

## Part # 3 -- Control Module (2)

### **Disassembly**

**SL95A** control modules are different than other models and are removed differently.

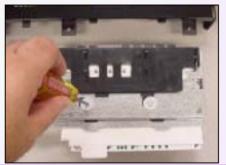
- ✓ Remove fascia panel by removing six (6)T-20 Torx inner door screws.
- ✓ Disconnect wire harnesses from module after noting connector locations.
- ✓ Remove fascia panel from console by removing four (4) T-20 Torx screws.
- ✓ Remove two (2) T-20 Torx screws holding module to console.
- Carefully pry back locking tabs on each front corner of module, then remove module from console. Remove button pad from module.



These instructions apply to SL95A models.









Removing door screws

Removing fascia screws

Removing module screws

Prying back module tabs







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## Service Tips – Test Programs

#### Using test programs for various models

Models	Buttons to Enter Test Program
SL34A	Regular Wash + Rinse & Hold
SL84A	Power Scrub + Delicate/Econo
SL95A	Regular Wash + Quick Wash

◆ To enter test programs, hold down buttons above (2nd & 4th from left), then turn dishwasher on by pushing on/off button. Push buttons above a 2nd time to start test program. Allow program to finish to see fault codes. Turn dishwasher off to exit test program.

<u>HINT</u>: Dishwasher test programs heat water to 150°F, so test programs will generally run > 20 minutes for incoming water temperatures ~ 120°F.

<u>HINT</u>: Open door to select test program for fully-integrated models (SL84A/95A), then close door to run program.

#### Example of a test Program (varies by model - SL95A shown)

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TEST	TIME	NOTES
Entering test program		While pressing and holding <b>Regular Wash</b> & <b>Quick Wash</b> buttons (simultaneously), press <b>On/Off</b> button. Indicating lights (on button pads) will flash, indicating the test program has been entered.
Starting test program		Press <b>Regular Wash</b> & <b>Quick Wash</b> buttons a 2nd time (simultaneously).
Skipping a test		Press <b>Delicate Wash</b> button (except for filling stages which cannot be skipped).
Draining	15 seconds	Allow dishwasher to drain.
Initial water filling	Until water level switch closes.	Can't skip this test.
Final water filling	Until water level switch closes.	Can't skip this test.
Heating + Circulating + Detergent Dispenser	120 seconds	
Heating + Circulating	Until water reaches 140°F (rises ~ 2°F/minute)	To save time, don't run entire test. When water circulates, measure current in black power line to dishwasher, then skip test.  • If current ~ 11A, heater, flow switch & Hi-limit are OK.
		<ul> <li>If ~ 1.5A, measure heater, Hi-limit &amp; flow switch resistances to determine failed part.</li> </ul>
Circulating + Rinse-aid Dispenser	120 seconds	
Hydrosensor calibration	50 - 250 seconds	Skip this test to save time.
Change draining sequence	30 seconds	
Draining	45 seconds	Last test. To end test program, press <i>On/Off</i> button.

**NOTE**: Flow through heaters heat water ~ 2°F / minute.

## Service Tips – Fault Codes

#### **DISHWASHER TEST PROGRAM ERROR CODES (on 2 & 3-digit digital displays):**

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- ♦ 0 No faults
- ★ 1 Aqua Sensor (Sensotronic) fault
- \* 2 Heating system fault (heater, Hi-Limit, flow switch, NTC, control heater relay)
- **★** 4 Water filling fault
- ★ 8 NTC (temperature sensor) fault
- ★ 16 Water switch fault

### **DISHWASHER CUSTOMER USE ERROR CODES (on 2 & 3-digit digital displays):**

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- **★** F Water filling fault (underfill, overfill or water in the base)
- \* 2H Last wash cycle too long (> 99 minutes). Can be cold inlet water or heating system fault (heater, Hi-Limit, flow switch, NTC, control module heater relay).
- **★** h Delay Start feature (not a fault code)

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#### **DISHWASHER TEST PROGRAM ERROR CODES (on SL84A models):**

- **☆** ○ - Heating system fault (heater, Hi-Limit, flow switch, control heater relay)
- **X** • - NTC (temperature sensor) fault
- ★ ● - Water filling fault
- **%** 00 N/A
- ○ Agua Sensor (Sensotronic) fault

SHV46C, SHX43E/ 46A-B. SL84A

SHX33A



Fault code LED's



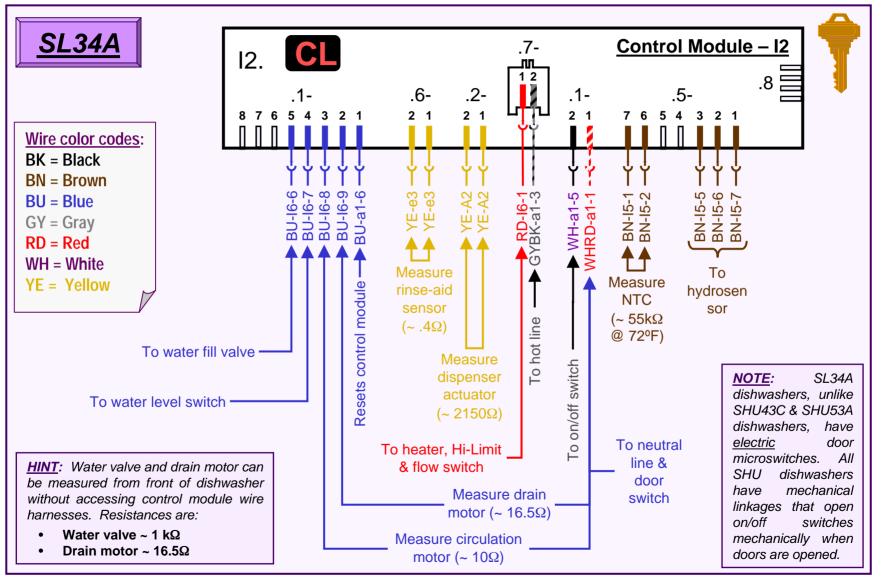
TIP: Fault codes do NOT add up for multiple faults – shows highest fault code on list above (1st – heating,  $2^{nd}$  – NTC,  $3^{rd}$  – water filling,  $4^{th}$  – agua sensor)

HINT: Dishwasher test programs heat water to 150°F, so test programs will generally run > 20 minutes for incoming water temperatures ~ 120°F.

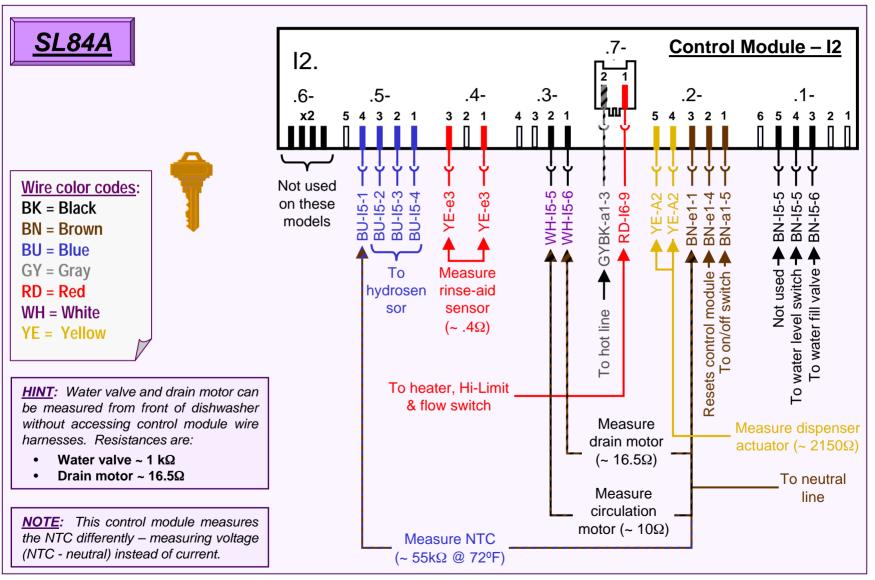
HINT: Open door to select test program for fully-integrated models, then close door to run program.

**NOTE:** Flow through heaters heat water ~ 2°F / minute.

## Service Tips -- Measuring Resistances @ Modules (1)



## Service Tips -- Measuring Resistances @ Modules (2)



## Service Tips -- Measuring Resistances @ Modules (4)

# <u>SL95A</u>

Wire color codes:

BK = Black

BN = Brown

**BU** = Blue

GY = Gray

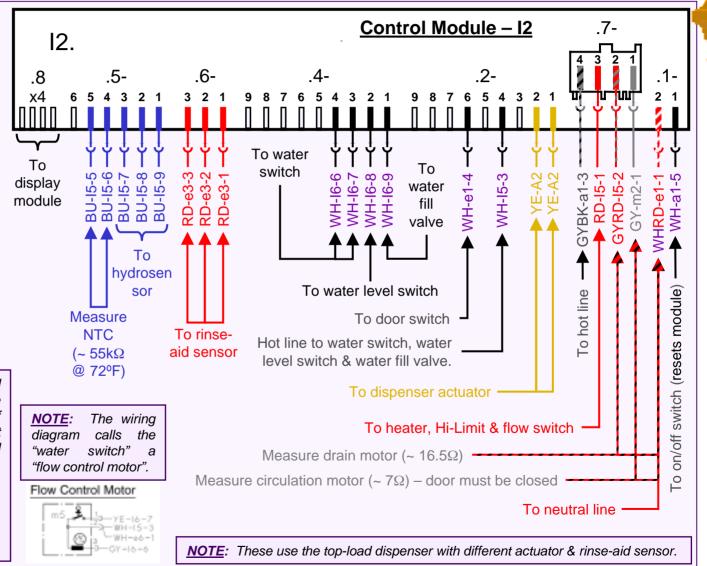
RD = Red

WH = White

YE = Yellow

HINT: Water valve and drain motor can be measured from front of dishwasher without accessing control module wire harnesses. Resistances are:

- Water valve ~ 1
   kΩ
- Drain motor  $\sim$  16.5 $\Omega$

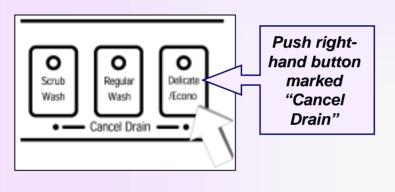


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## Service Tips -- Turning Off End of Cycle Tones

Control modules on integrated models (**SL84A**, **SL95A**) have been replaced when end of cycle tones couldn't be turned off, not for module failures. Following these instructions for turning off cycle tones, instead of replacing entire control modules, will save customers time and money. Use these instructions (copied from *Use & Care Manuals*) when manuals aren't available.







**HINT:** Open door slightly to access buttons.

#### **SL84A MODELS WITHOUT DISPLAYS:**

- While pushing & holding right-hand button marked **Cancel Drain** (regardless of model), push **On/Off** button. When light on button and tone come on, release both buttons.
- Push right-hand button again to scroll through tone volumes until no tone is heard (or desired volume is reached if tone is to be kept on).
- ✓ To save changes, push On/Off button and close door. Dishwasher can now be run.

#### **SL95A MODELS WITH DISPLAYS:**

- While pushing & holding **Delay Start** button (regardless of model), push **On/Off** button. When display shows a # (0, 1 or 2) and tone comes on (if tone is on), release both buttons. (If no tone comes on, tone is already off -- push **On/Off** button to exit change mode.)
- Push **Delay Start** button again to scroll through tone volumes until no tone is heard (or desired volume is reached if tone is to be kept on). Volume level on display will show "**0**" when tone is off.
- To save changes, push *On/Off* button and close door. Dishwasher can now be run.

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## Part # 4 -- Heater & NTC (1)

## Access

The heater & NTC can be accessed or measured from the right side of the dishwasher, but can only be removed by dropping the entire base (by flipping the dishwasher on its back) since they are wedged underneath the tank.

### To remove outer door:

- Remove six (6) T-20 Torx screws from inner door below fascia panel (three (3) per side).
- Carefully pull bottom of outer door out from dishwasher until top door tabs clear, then pull door down until it releases from dishwasher. Take care to not scratch outer door.
- Remove two (2) plastic door guards. They can fall out when the outer door is removed.







Remove inner door screws

Slide out outer door

Remove door guards

<u>HINT</u>: Remove <u>all</u> water from the sump and hoses before accessing the heater -- when the dishwasher is flipped on its back, water can enter the water fill assembly diaphragm and cause the dishwasher to not fill properly.

## Part # 4 -- Heater & NTC (2)

### To remove toe kick:

- Remove two (2) T-20 Torx screws from toe kick.
- Tilt toe kick out from under dishwasher.

<u>HINT</u>: The fascia panel and door don't need to be removed to access the heater & NTC. However, the door must be removed to completely remove the tank.



### To remove right & left side panels:

- Remove two (2) T-20 Torx side panel screws from each side (through holes in trim strip).
- Carefully slide trim strips up and out of dishwasher. If side panels are removed carefully to avoid damaging trim strips, then trim strips don't need to be removed.
- Lift side panels up and out from dishwasher. Panels can be removed with trim strips.







Remove panel screws

Slide out trim strips

Lift panels up and out

#### Part # 4 -- Heater & NTC (3)

#### To separate base from tank (1):

- Carefully lay dishwasher on its back.
- Carefully pull door springs out from base.
- Remove terminal blocks from base.
- Separate water valve from base by removing two (2) T-20 Torx screws, then move water valve out of the way.

**HINT**: Remove water from sump and hoses before laying dishwasher on its back (to avoid water entering water fill assembly & causing faulty water filling).





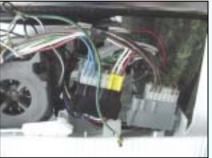




Place on back

Pull out door springs from base & disconnect cords









Remove terminal blocks from base

Disconnect water valve from base

#### Part # 4 -- Heater & NTC (4)

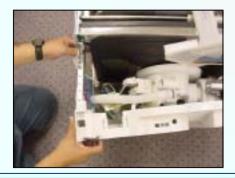
#### To separate base from tank (2):

- Disconnect J-box ground wire, then pull wires out of J-box.
- Pull out inlet hose from sump.
- Carefully pull base away from tank and sump.





Pull wires from J-box Pull out sump inlet hose





Carefully pull base away from tank & sump



**HINT:** Its simpler & quicker to remove the two water valve screws than to remove the hose clamp.





Front & side views of junction box (J-box)

**HINT:** Don't order duplicate parts when ordering parts below -- when these parts are replaced, others are included:

- <u>Heater assy.</u> -- includes NTC, Hi-Limit, flow switch (& hydrosensor where applicable).
- NTC -- includes Hi-Limit.

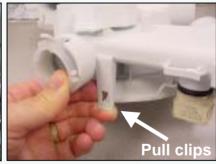
#### Part # 4 -- Heater & NTC (5)

#### Removing & Installing Heater & NTC:

- Remove two (2) T-20 Torx screws holding heater assembly to sump.
- Disconnect wires from heater, flow switch, NTC & Hi-Limit after noting connections.
- Pull clips, then carefully pull heater assembly from sump & pump. Note heater comes as an assembly (with housing & gasket).







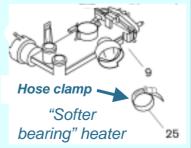
<u>HINT</u>: If needed, use rinseaid to lubricate gaskets to make it easier to assemble heater to sump and pump.

Heater assembly

Remove heater screws Remove heater from sump/pump

**NOTE:** Heater assemblies are connected to circulation pumps with hose clamps which must be ordered separately:

• Have gasket assembled to heater and have a separate hose clamp (order # 172272).

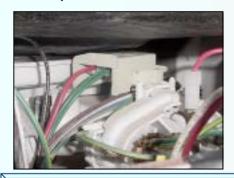


HINT: Heater assemblies contain NTC's, Hi-Limit's & flow switches (& hydrosensors where applicable). If heaters are replaced, these parts are replaced too.

#### Part # 4 -- Heater & NTC (6)

#### Removing & Installing NTC:

- Remove heater assembly -- NTC is located on top of heater assembly.
- Disconnect wires after noting connections (since NTC & Hi-Limit are included in the same part -- # 165281).
- Remove NTC cover, pull NTC holding tabs apart and pull NTC out of heater.









Disconnect wires

Remove cover & pull tabs

Remove NTC

NTC w/ Hi-Limit

**NOTE:** To remove flow switch, carefully pry housing away from switch (until tabs clear switch), then snap switch out.



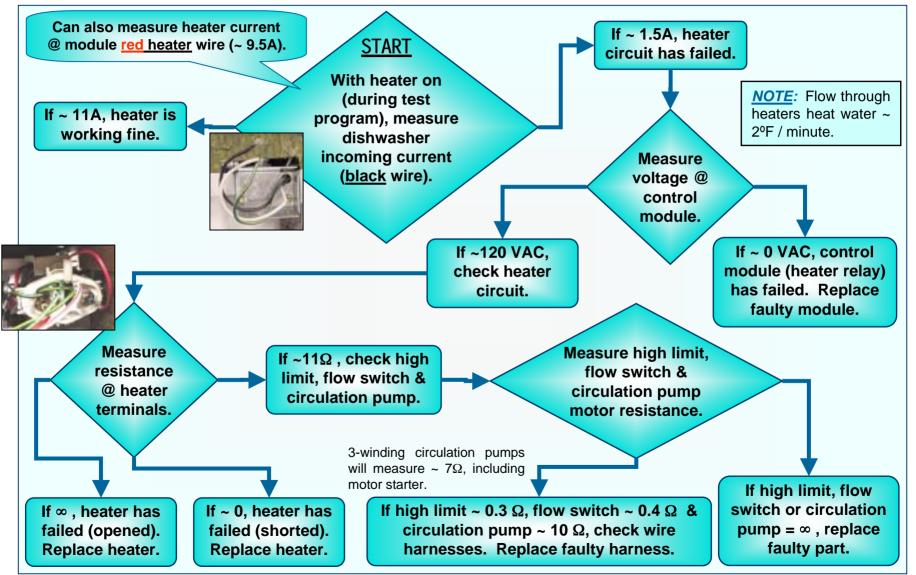


**HINT:** If needed, use rinse-aid to lubricate gaskets to make it easier to assemble heater to sump and pump.

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#### Service Tips -- Heater Troubleshooting Flowchart





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### Service Tips -- Measuring Heater/NTC Resistances (1)

Example of a test Program (varies by model - SL95A shown)		
TEST	TIME	NOTES
Entering test program		While pressing and holding <b>Regular Wash</b> & <b>Quick Wash</b> buttons (simultaneously), press <b>On/Off</b> button. Indicating lights (on button pads) will flash, indicating the test program has been entered.
Starting test program		Press <b>Regular Wash</b> & <b>Quick Wash</b> buttons a 2nd time (simultaneously).
Skipping a test		Press <b>Delicate Wash</b> button (except for filling stages which cannot be skipped).
Draining	15 seconds	Allow dishwasher to drain.
Initial water filling	Until water level switch closes.	Can't skip this test.
Final water filling	Until water level switch closes.	Can't skip this test.
Heating + Circulating + Detergent Dispenser	120 seconds	
Heating + Circulating		To save time, don't run entire test. When water circulates, measure current in black power line to dishwasher, then skip test.
		<ul> <li>If current ~ 11A, heater, flow switch &amp; Hi-limit are OK.</li> </ul>
		<ul> <li>If ~ 1.5A, measure heater, Hi-limit &amp; flow switch resistances to determine failed part.</li> </ul>
Circulating + Rinse-aid Dispenser	120 seconds	
Hydrosensor calibration	50 - 250 seconds	Skip this test to save time.
Change draining sequence	30 seconds	
Draining	45 seconds	Last test. To end test program, press <i>On/Off</i> button.

185°F High Limit Heater

switch

NOTE: Once its found one of these parts is faulty (from incoming current being 1.5 - 2A), check each part (once tank has been removed or blocked up) by measuring its resistance at its terminals:

- Heater ~ 11 Ω
- Hi-Limit ~ .3 Ω
  - Flow switch ~ .4 Ω must remove microswitch from heater housing & close its contacts to measure this. A spring loaded plunger closes microswitch when water is flowing.

Use dishwasher test program to turn on heater, then measure dishwasher incoming current. If ~ 1.5A, heater, Hi-Limit, flow switch or circulation pump has failed. Check voltage @ module (or timer) -- if 0V, module (or timer) has failed.

For electronic models, current can also be measured in red heater wire at control module (~ 9.5A). Since there can be more than one red wire, check wiring diagram to select heater wire.

**NOTE:** Flow through heaters heat water ~ 2°F / minute.

**NOTE**: Open door to run test program for fully-integrated models.



**HINT**: Because the flow switch only closes when water is flowing, the heater resistance can only be measured at the heater terminals (not at the control module).



HINT: The NTC and High Limit are contained in the same part. When either fails, replace entire part # 165281.



### Service Tips -- Measuring Heater/NTC Resistances (2)

#### Using test programs for various models

Models	Buttons to Enter Test Program	
SL34A	Regular Wash + Rinse & Hold	
SL84A	Power Scrub + Delicate/Econo	
SL95A	Regular Wash + Quick Wash	

◆ To enter test programs, hold down buttons above (2nd & 4th from left), then turn dishwasher on by pushing on/off button. Push buttons above a 2nd time to start test program. Allow program to finish to see fault codes. Turn dishwasher off to exit test program.

**NOTE:** Open door to run test program for fully-integrated models.

#### Service Tips -- Water Switch ("Flow Control")(1)

All **SL95A** model heater assemblies have motor operated water switches inside them, with motors attached underneath heater assemblies. They consist of a motor-controlled disk (with 3 holes) which rotates to provide precise water flow control -- using both spray arms, upper spray arm only or lower spray arm only.







**HINT:** Models with water switches and *Top Rack Only* have the *Top Rack Only* parts integrated with the water switches. No separate actuators are needed.

**HINT:** Models with water switches require stronger circulation pumps (# **437345**) with separate motor starters (# **182318**). Circulation pumps, heaters & sumps for water switch and non-water switch models **cannot** be interchanged.

#### Part # 5 -- Drain Pumps

Drain pumps are mounted to sumps in the front of dishwashers -- they're easily accessible from the front of dishwashers by removing toe kicks.

#### Removing & installing drain pump:

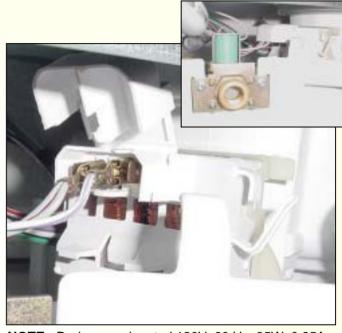
- Remove toe kick, then pull up terminal cover and disconnect wires. For easier access, remove base cover 1st.
- To remove pump, push latch (on circular collar) & rotate pump clockwise (cw). To install new pump, insert @ 2:00 position & rotate counterclockwise (ccw).
- 'Y' Clean water & debris from base, then check float operation.
- 'Y' Connect wires, then install base cover & toe kick.

**HINT:** Improper installation issues causing dishwashers to not drain properly -- its usually not a drain pump problem:

- Drain hoses without high loops or drains without air gaps
- Drain hoses > 10' long (i.e. > 4' extension)
- Train hoses kinked when dishwashers installed under cabinets

**NOTE**: Standard 6-vane drain pumps (# **167082**) are quieter and smoother than 4-vane pumps. Drain pumps used in installations (in Washington State) with Johnson Tees must use stronger 4-vane pumps (# **184178**). 4-vane pumps will be slightly noisier, which is normal.





**NOTE:** Drain pump is rated 120V, 60 Hz, 35W, 0.85A.

#### **DRAIN HOSE INSTALLATION TIPS:**

- Must have drain hoses with high loops or drains with air gaps.
- ⚠ Drain hoses can be up to 10' long can add up to 4' to dishwasher hose.
- ♠ Secure drain hoses to rear of dishwashers with non-metal bands.

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#### Part # 6 -- Dispensers (1)

#### Disassembly

**CAUTION:** Inner door edges are sharp! Cover door edges and remove dispenser carefully.



Disconnecting wire harness





Bending retainer tabs





#### HINT: To remove/install dispensers:

- X Remove outer door, remove fascia panel & disconnect wire harness from fascia panel.
- Disconnect wire harness from above dispenser, then remove wires to wax motor & reed switch.
- Disconnect condensation tube (for older models with condensation tubes in doors).
- Bend retainer tabs, the push dispenser inward toward tank. Protect hand with towel as edges are sharp.
- Replace from inside of tank -- position O-ring seal and bend tabs to secure. When replacing dispensers, lubricate O-rings with rinse-aid & support inner doors to avoid damage if O-rings stick.

### Part # 6 -- Dispensers (2)

During each wash program, the wax motor opens twice -- once to dispense detergent and again to dispense rinse-aid. The wax motor opens the same way -- the linkages make the separate compartments open.

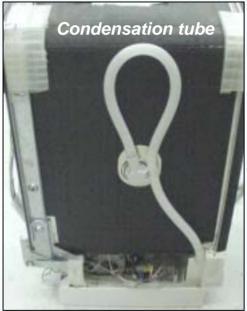


**NOTE**: The white plastic linkage 1st opens the detergent dispenser door, then cocks in place to dispense rinse-aid when the wax motor operates the 2nd time. After the 2nd operation, the linkage resets itself so it will open the dispenser detergent door for the next wash program.

#### Part # 6 -- Dispensers (3)/Condensation Tubes

Condensation tubes are located in the right side of tanks. All dishwashers use unvented dispensers.







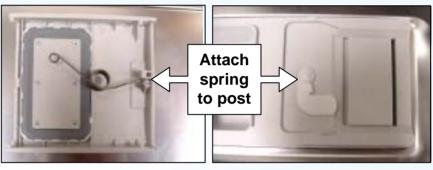
HINT: Condensation tubes exit in the base behind the sump. There is no drain connection for these tubes.

#### Service Tips -- Replacing Dispenser Doors

Most dispenser problems occur from dispenser doors being damaged or pulled off (due to misuse). Please follow the instructions below when replacing doors.









- Connect spring to door & dispenser housing posts.
- While keeping spring attached to posts, carefully slide door onto housing -- making sure door tabs engage dispenser door rails.
- Door levers don't need to be preset during installation.



<u>HINT</u>: To close dispenser doors, slide doors closed, then push white lever until lever locks (showing doors are closed). Levers don't need to be preset during installation.



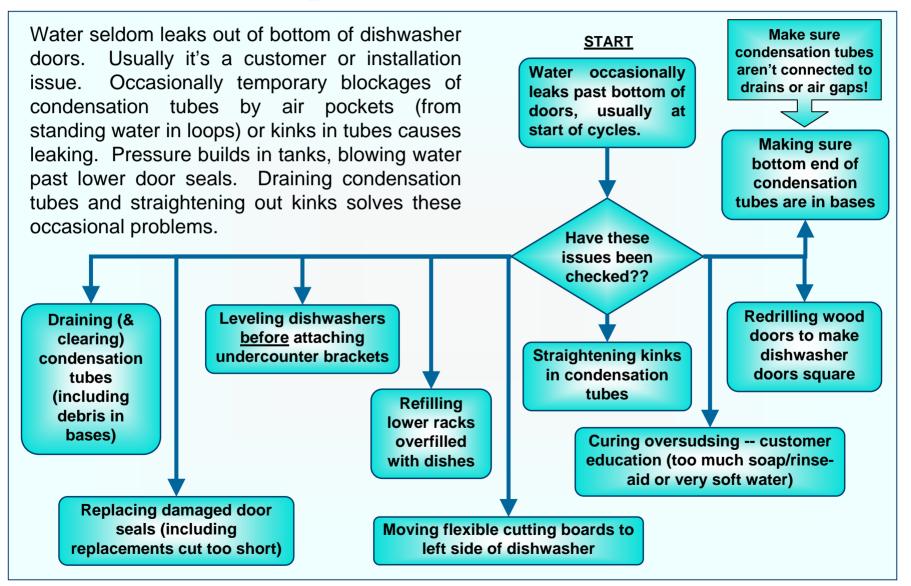
**HINT**: Make sure door tabs engage dispenser door rails.

# Part # 7 -- Top Ten Dishwasher Cosmetic/Customer Use/Installation Issues

#### Top Ten Cosmetic/Customer Use/Installation Issues:

- Not cleaning sump filters....Customers often don't know they exist.
- Smelly dishwashers....Often occurs from filters not being cleaned, <u>drain hose high loops missing</u> or drain gases being present. If all else is OK, then problem can be preservative not purged from tank door gasket.
- 8 Doors leaking or not latching....Usually an installation issue (dishwasher brackets installed before dishwashers are leveled front to back, tanks & doors out of square, wooden doors not drilled accurately). Can be blockage in condensation tubes or having condensation tubes connected to drain hose air gaps.
- Inner door damage....From upper rack during improper shipping and handling (dishwashers clamped on wrong sides or dropped).
- 6 Doors hit toe kicks....Toe kick installation issue.
- 5 Junction boxes....Comes from wires not being connected correctly during installation.
- 4 Dispensers....Customers using too much detergent, not using rinse-aid & not knowing how to close the door.
- 3 Drain hoses not installed properly....Often no air gap or high loop + pinched hoses -- causes poor draining & smelly dishwashers. Most drain pumps are mistakenly replaced for drain hose installation issues.
- Outer doors....Most are dinged during shipment.
  - ...and the # 1 dishwasher cosmetic/customer use/installation issue is...
- Damaged water valves....Primarily from fittings being overtightened. A damaged valve can allow some water onto kitchen floors.

#### Service Tips -- Water Leaking Past Doors



#### Part #8 -- Door Latches (1)

#### <u>Disassembly/</u> <u>Installation</u>

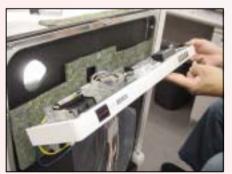
Other than occasional misalignment, the only door latch repairs will be replacing microswitches on fully integrated models (e.g. **SL84A/95A**). **SL34A** models also use these door latches.

#### To disassemble door latches for integrated models:

- Remove T-20 Torx fascia panel screws from inner door.
- X Lower fascia panel from door.
- Locate door latch in console.
- Bend out console metal tabs to allow latch removal.



Remove panel screws









Lower fascia panel

Door latch in console

Tabs (inner view)

Bend out metal tabs

#### Part #8 -- Door Latches (2)

#### To remove & install door latches for integrated models (continued):

- Remove door latch from console.
- Disconnect wire harness, then remove microswitch & cover.
- Disconnect wires, then remove microswitch from cover.
- Replace microswitch, then reassemble.

<u>HINT</u>: Make sure metal console tabs are bent back completely during reassembly.









Remove door latch

Remove microswitch

**Microswitch** 

Replace cover (in slots)









Insert latch into tabs

Bend tabs back

Replace fascia panel

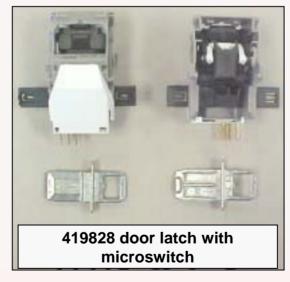
Replace screws

### Part #8 -- Door Latches (3)

All SL dishwashers use electronic door switches (microswitches activated by door latches).



**SL34A/95A** 



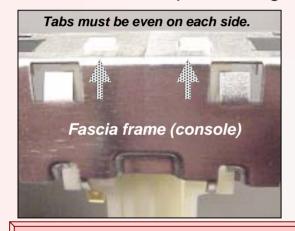
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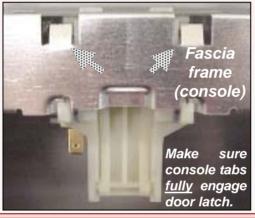


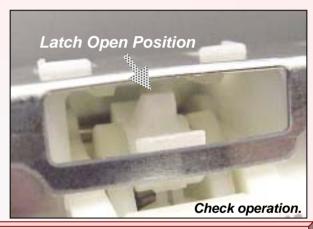


#### Service Tips -- Misaligned latches

Occasionally integrated dishwasher door latches can be misaligned, causing doors to not close properly or dishwashers to run with doors open (when latches don't reset). Follow these steps to realign door latches.







Insert latch tabs into frame

Bend tabs down into latch

Reset latch to open position

NOTE:



<u>HINT</u>: Make sure latch tabs are <u>seated</u>, all fascia frame (console) tabs are bent <u>completely</u>, door strikes are <u>aligned</u> with latches and door latches get reset.



187184 ball bearing door latch with microswitch

Integrated dishwashers

include SL84A & SL/95A models.

#### Service Tips -- Miswired latches

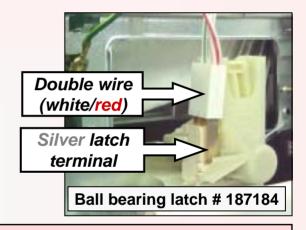
If replacement **SL95A** door latches/wire harnesses are miswired (with door latch terminals backwards), dishwashers run with doors open and lights won't turn on when doors are open. Control modules can be irreversibly damaged.





#### Rewiring door latches:

- Check wiring to photos at right the <u>double</u> wire <u>must</u> be connected to the <u>silver</u> door latch terminal.
- With door open, turn on dishwasher keep door open. If display doesn't turn on, <u>immediately</u> turn off dishwasher and reverse door latch terminal.

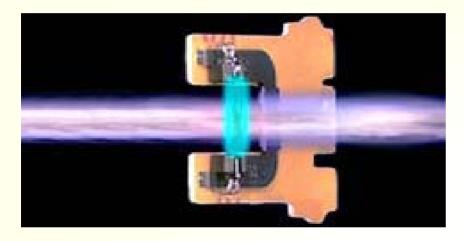


**CAUTION:** Operating dishwashers with miswired door latches will cause <u>irreversible</u> damage to control modules if doors have been closed and circulation pumps have started – modules <u>must</u> be replaced. <u>Check door latch wiring whenever door latch terminals are changed or disconnected or when displays don't light up when dishwashers are turned on.</u>

**IMPORTANT:** If dishwashers with miswired door latches are corrected before doors are closed and circulation pumps started, modules can still be used. If displays don't light up, turn off dishwashers and reverse door latch terminals before modules are damaged.

### Part # 9 -- hydroSensors (1)

The hydrosensor only affects energy usage, eliminating a pre-wash and/or pre-rinse cycle if water is clean. Most customers won't notice the difference if an hydrosensor fails.



NOTE: hydrosensors provide ~ 20% energy savings.

**HINT**: Dishwashers still operate adequately when hydrosensors fail.

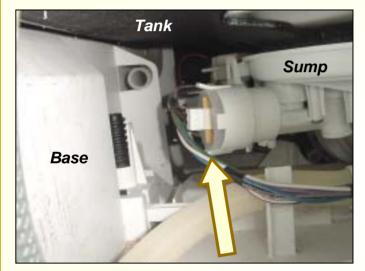
<u>HINT</u>: Customers will only notice hydrosensors failing if they see their dishwashers running slightly longer or their electric and water usage getting slightly higher.

**NOTE**: If water is clean enough, it will be kept for the wash cycle. If not, the hydrosensor directs the dishwasher to add an additional pre-rinse or pre-wash cycle.

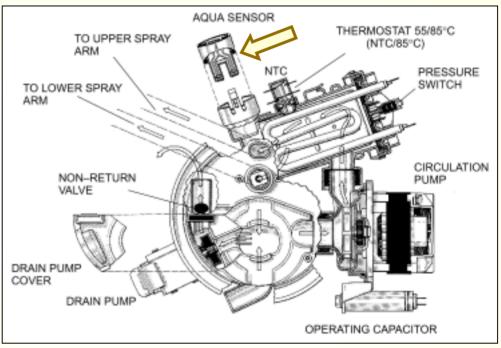


### Part # 9 -- hydroSensors (2)

The hydrosensor is located on the rear of the sump. It can be reached through the left side of the dishwasher (after the left side panel is removed). Its not necessary to block up the tank to reach the hydrosensor.



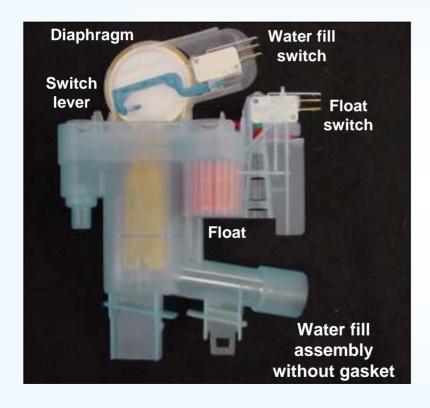
**HINT**: To change out the hydrosensor, pull off the connector and pull out the hydrosensor (toward the rear of the dishwasher).



**HINT**: The hydrosensor slides into slots in the sump. Make sure the hydrosensor is properly inserted into the slots.

#### Part # 10 -- Water Fill Assembly (1)

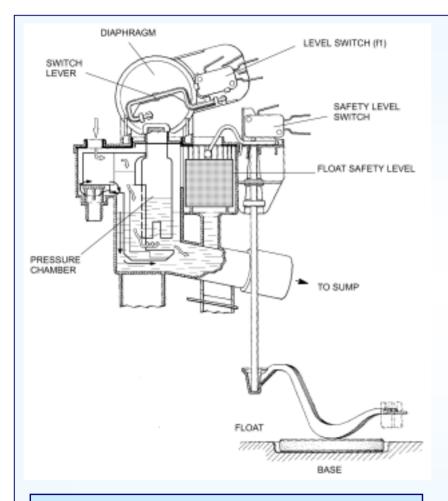
Water fill assemblies insure dishwashers fill properly at various incoming pressures.



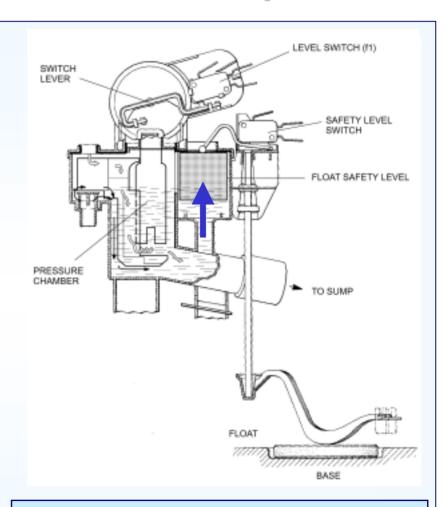
**HINT**: Floats should be checked and bases should be cleared of water & debris whenever water fill assemblies are worked on.

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### Part # 10 -- Water Fill Assembly (2)



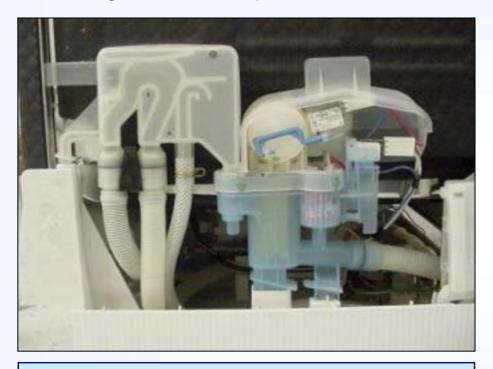
**Normal fill:** Water rises to proper level, pushing air in pressure chamber which operates diaphragm.



**Overfill:** Water rises too high & operates float switch, causing drain pump to remove water from sump.

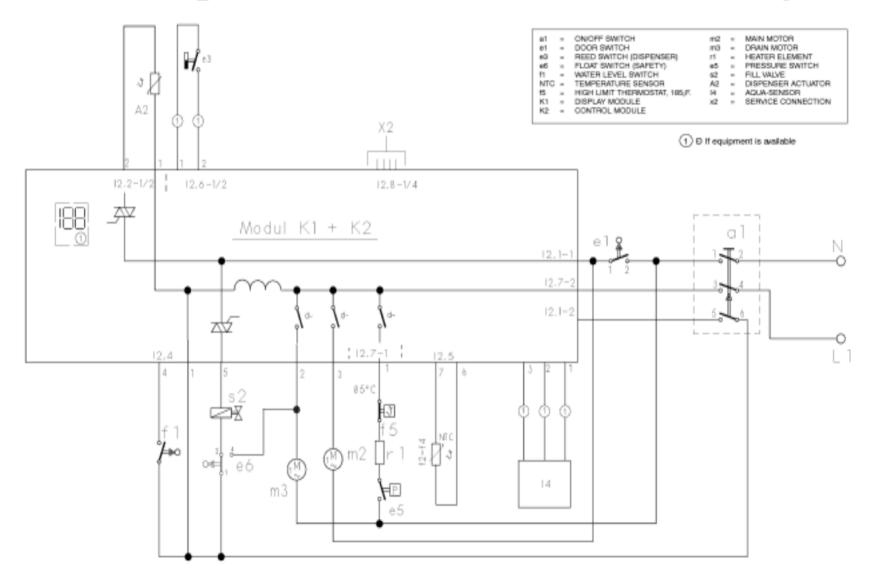
### Part # 10 -- Water Fill Assembly (3)

The water fill assembly is easily accessed from the left side by just removing the left side panel.

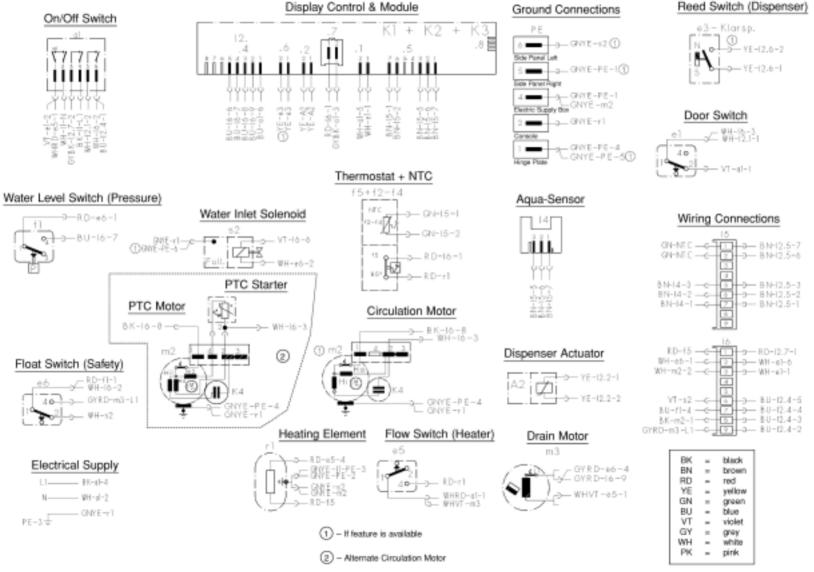


<u>HINT</u>: Most water fill assembly repairs will involve replacing microswitches. Occasionally tank insulation or other debris can prevent the diaphragm switch lever from operating, allowing overfilling.

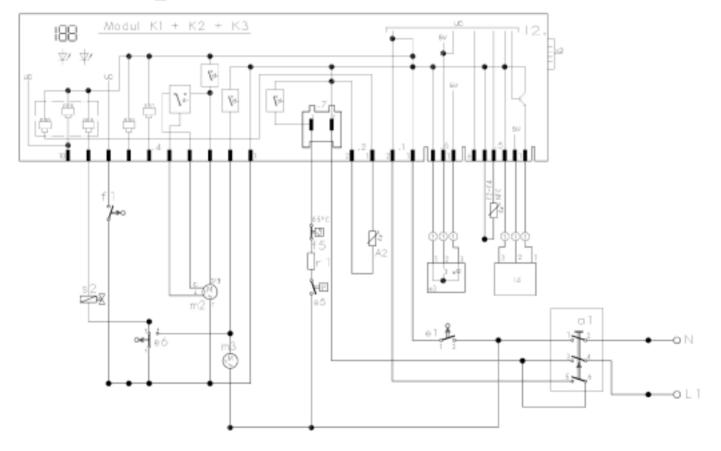
# Service Tips – SL34A UC/01 Circuit Diagram



### Service Tips – SL34A UC/01 Wiring Diagram



### Service Tips – SL34A UC/02 Circuit Diagram



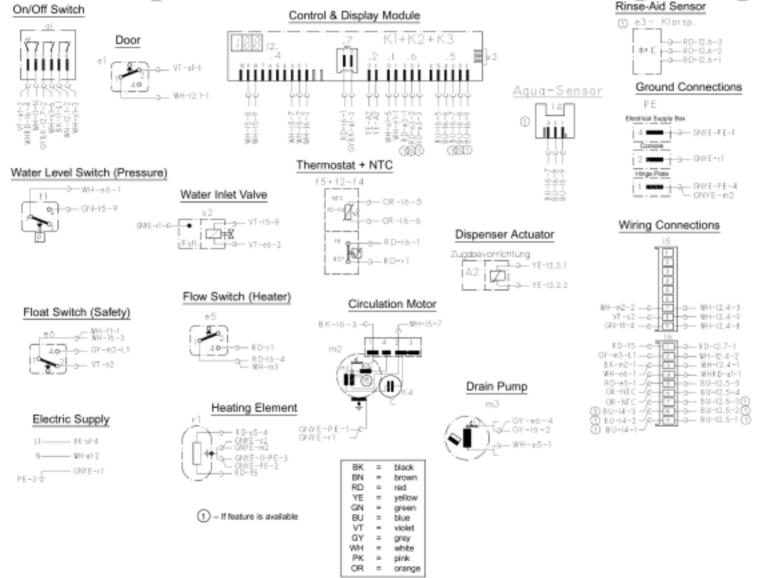
- e1 = DOOR SWITCH
- a1 = ON/OFF SWITCH
- e3 = RINSE-AID SENSOR e6 = FLOAT SWITCH (Safety)
- f1 WATER LEVEL SWITCH (Pressure)
- NTC = TEMPERATURE SENSOR
- f5 = HIGH LIMIT THERMOSTAT, (186°F) K1 = DISPLAY MODULE
- K2 = CONTROL MODULE

- K3 = TIME DISPLAY
- m2 = MAIN MOTOR
- 13 = DRAIN MOTOR 1 = HEATER ELEMENT
- e5 = PRESSURE SWITCH (Heater)
- s2 = WATER INLET VALVE A2 = DISPENSER ACTUATOR.
- 2 = SERVICE CONNECTION 4 = AQUA-SENSOR

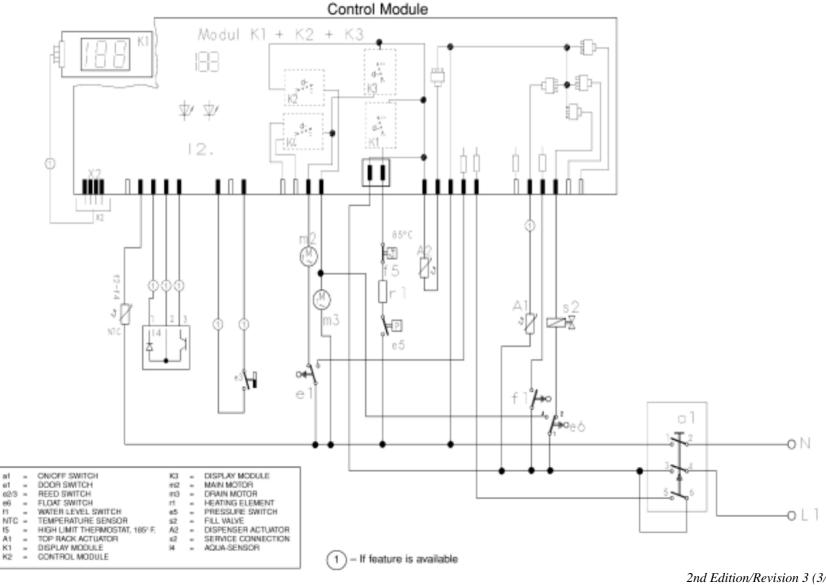
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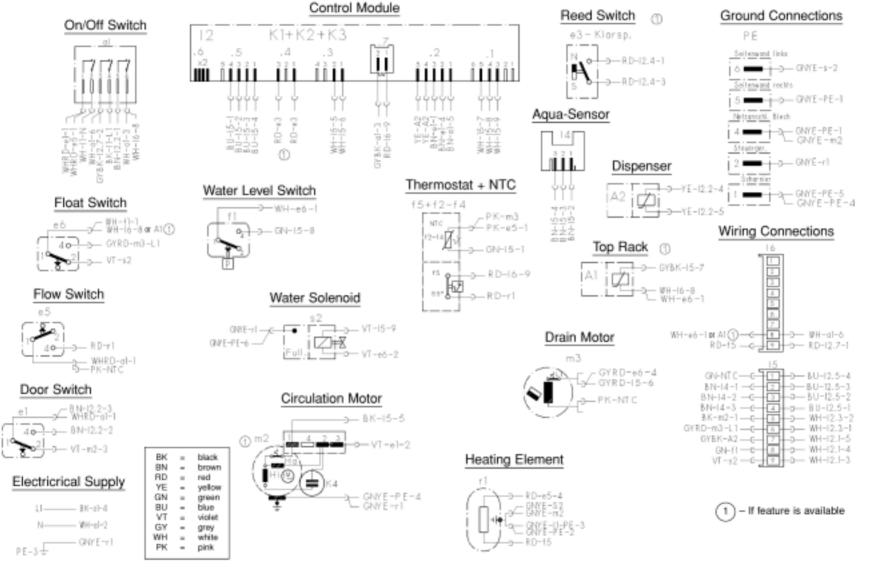
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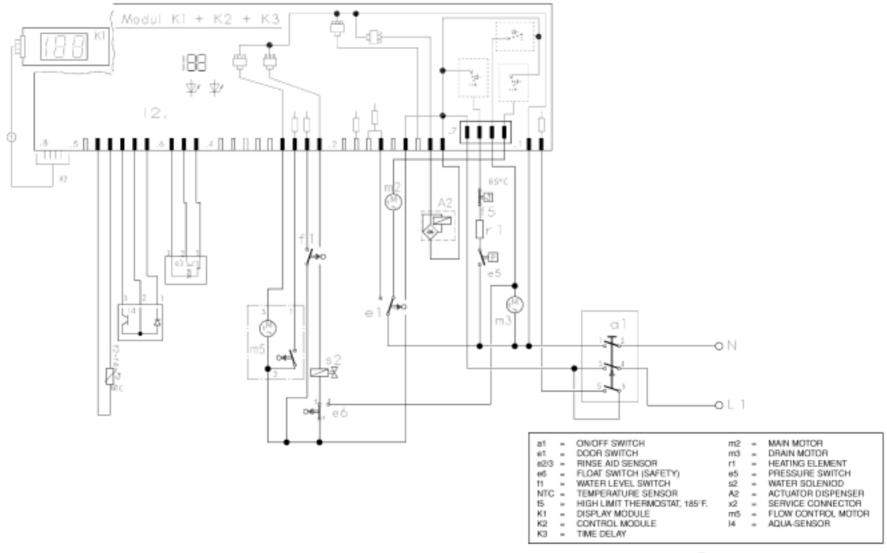
# Service Tips – SL84A Circuit Diagram



### Service Tips – SL84A Wiring Diagram



# Service Tips – SL95A Circuit Diagram



### Service Tips – SL95A Wiring Diagram

