Installation - Connecting Ice Maker To Water Supply

**WARNING** To avoid electric shock, which can cause death or severe personal injury, disconnect the freezer from electrical power before connecting a water supply line to the freezer.

**CAUTION** To Avoid Property Damage:
- Copper tubing is recommended for the water supply line. Water supply tubing made of ¼” plastic is not recommended since it greatly increases the potential for water leaks. Manufacturer will not be responsible for any damage if plastic tubing is used for supply line.
- DO NOT install water supply tubing in areas where temperatures fall below freezing.
- Chemicals from a malfunctioning softener can damage the ice maker. If the ice maker is connected to soft water, ensure that the softener is maintained and working properly.

**IMPORTANT:** Ensure that your water supply line connections comply with all local plumbing codes.

**Before Installing The Water Supply Line, You Will Need**
- **Basic Tools:** adjustable wrench, flat-blade screwdriver, and Phillips™ screwdriver
- Access to a household cold water line with water pressure between 20 and 120 psi.
- A water supply line made of ¼ inch (6.4 mm) OD, copper tubing. To determine the length of copper tubing needed, you will need to measure the distance from the ice maker inlet valve at the back of the freezer to your cold water pipe. Then add approximately 7 feet (2.1 meters), so the freezer can be moved out for cleaning (as shown).
- A shutoff valve to connect the water supply line to your household water system. **DO NOT** use a self-piercing type shutoff valve.
- A compression nut and ferrule (sleeve) for connecting the water supply line to the ice maker inlet valve.

**NOTE:** Water line kit number 5303917950, available from your appliance dealer at additional cost, contains 25 feet (7.6 meters) of ¼ inch OD copper tubing, a saddle type shutoff valve (nonpiercing), (2) ¼ inch brass compression nuts, (2) ferrules/sleeves, and instructions for installing a water supply line.

**To Connect Water Supply Line To Ice Maker Inlet Valve**
1. Disconnect freezer from electric power source.
2. Place end of water supply line into sink or bucket. Turn ON water supply and flush supply line until water is clear. Turn OFF water supply at shut off valve.
3. Unscrew plastic cap from water valve inlet and discard cap.
4. Slide brass compression nut, then ferrule (sleeve) onto water supply line, as shown.
5. Push water supply line into water valve inlet as far as it will go (¼ inch). Slide ferrule (sleeve) into valve inlet and finger tighten compression nut onto valve. Tighten another half turn with a wrench; **DO NOT** over tighten.
6. With steel clamp and screw, secure water supply line to rear panel of freezer as shown.
7. Coil excess water supply line (about 2½ turns) behind freezer as shown and arrange coils so they do not vibrate or wear against any other surface.
8. Turn ON water supply at shutoff valve and tighten any connections that leak.
9. Reconnect freezer to electrical power source.
10. To turn ice maker on, lower wire signal arm (see ice maker front cover for ON/OFF position of arm).

**IMPORTANT:** It takes approximately 24 hours for the ice maker to begin producing ice. Air in new plumbing lines may cause ice maker to cycle two or three times before making a full tray of ice. New plumbing may cause ice to be discolored or have poor flavor. Discard ice made during the first 24 hours.

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If your freezer has an automatic ice maker, it will provide a sufficient supply of ice for normal use. During the initial startup of your freezer, however, no ice will be produced during the first 24 hours of operation. Automatic ice makers are also optional accessories that may be installed in some models at any time. Call your local dealer for information.

**TURNING YOUR ICE MAKER ON**

After the plumbing connections have been completed, the water supply valve must be opened. Place the ice container under the ice maker, pushing it as far back as possible. Lower the wire signal arm to its “down” or ON position. New plumbing connections may cause the first production of ice cubes to be discolored or have an odd flavor. These first cubes should be discarded until the cubes produced are free of discoloration and taste.

**TURNING YOUR ICE MAKER OFF**

To stop the ice maker, lift the wire signal arm until it clicks and locks in the “up” or OFF position. The ice maker also turns off automatically when the ice container is full. If your model has an adjustable freezer shelf, place the shelf in the lower position, so that the wire signal arm will hit the ice when the container is full.

**IMPORTANT:** Your ice maker is shipped with the wire signal arm in the ON position. To ensure proper function of your ice maker, hook up water supply immediately or turn ice maker OFF by lifting the wire signal arm until it clicks and locks in the UP position.

**IMPORTANT:** Check the leveling bracket on the ice maker to ensure the ice maker is level. If the gap between the freezer wall and the ice maker is the same at top and bottom, then the ice maker is level. If the ice maker is not level, loosen the screw and slide the bracket to the correct position to make it level. Retighten the screw. You’ll need a 1/4” socket wrench for this task.

**ICE MAKER TIPS**

- Ice cubes stored too long may develop an odd flavor. Empty the ice container and ensure that the wire signal arm is in its “down” or ON position. The ice maker will then produce more ice.
- Occasionally shake the ice container to keep ice separated.
- Keep the wire signal arm in its “up” or OFF position until the freezer is connected to the water supply or whenever the water supply is turned off.
- The following sounds are normal when the ice maker is operating:
  - Motor running
  - Ice loosening from tray
  - Ice dropping into ice container
  - Running water
  - Water valve opening or closing

**CAUTION** Do Not place the ice container in your dishwasher.

- Wash the ice container in warm water with mild detergent. Rinse well and dry.
- Stop the ice maker when cleaning the freezer and during vacations.
- If the ice maker will be turned off for a long period of time, turn the water supply valve to the closed position.