

30L Chubby Instruction Manual

Chubby is a 30L Pressure Fermenter and Keg capable of fermenting up to 23-25L of wort under pressure. Chubby can also be used as a gravity fermenter by attaching a blow off tube or airlock. Chubby comes from the same tank mold as our King Kegs but utilises the clear PET material of our 35L and 60L Fermenter King Unitanks.

With crystal clear PET tank, the Chubby comes complete with a pressure lid fitted with a pressure relief valve and stainless steel ball lock gas and liquid posts.

The liquid ball lock post attaches to a silicone diptube that floats internally on a stainless steel float ball so you always pick up bright beer from the top of the keg. Chubby is a great way to ferment Fresh Wort Kits.

It's relatively small size makes fermenting up to

23-25L of wort simple. Just attach a spunding valve onto an MFL type gas disconnect (not supplied) and you'll be able to control the internal pressure of your fermenter. After fermentation, you can carbonate your beer in the Chubby, attach it to your tap system or any hand held tap and serve directly out of the fermenter.

Alternatively, you can easily transfer carbonated beverages from Chubby to kegs, mini kegs and growlers.

This manual will provide users with information regarding the safe operation, handling and maintenance of the Chubby.



WARNINGS

1. Clean wash and sanitise the tank at temperatures below 50°C (122F). Do not fill the tank with wort or liquid above **50°C (122F)**
2. Cleaners must be diluted to suitable concentrations before use. If extended contact time is expected, then users must ensure that cleaners are chemically compatible with PET, Silicone, EPDM, Polypropylene and Stainless Steel. Approved cleaners and sanitisers for use on this fermenter include: ABC (Part code 9006) Sodium Percarbonate (Part codes 6172, 6141) Sodium Metasilicate (Part code RET4533) Atomic 15 Foaming (Part code 9001) Atomic 15 Annihilator (Part code 9002) or Phosphoric acid-based sanitisers.
3. Do not apply more than **2.4 bar (35 psi)** to the tank under any circumstance.
4. NEVER connect to an unregulated pressure source.
5. If you connect an external pressure source; ensure it has an independent pressure release valve (PRV) pre-set to below 2.4 bar (35 psi).
6. Use only the **RED** pressure release valve supplied by MCH Australia Pty Ltd on the pressure lid.
7. Do not tamper with the pressure relief valve.
8. Do not use the tank under pressure if it has been physically damaged i.e. dropped on the ground
9. Do not expose to temperatures below **-2°C (28.5°F)**.
10. Keep the tank out of direct sunlight and other sources of UV radiation.
11. The tank is pressure tested at production and is marked with a date for retesting. If it is being used under pressure, then a hydrostatic test must be conducted after every 24 months of use to ensure that it is safe for reuse.

PRESSURE LID ASSEMBLY INSTRUCTIONS

1. Clean and sanitise all components prior to assembly.
2. Thread the red pressure release valve into the pressure lid. Screw down firmly.
3. Ensure that the gas and liquid bulkhead fittings are correctly assembled with the post fully tightened onto the Pressure Lid. Insert the bulkhead fittings into the holes in the pressure lid and tighten the locknuts. O-rings should be located on the top surface of the lid for correct sealing.
4. Lubricate the silicone dip tube with some non-rinse sanitiser and slide one end over the stem of the liquid post bulkhead fitting. Slide the other end of the silicon tube over the floating pickup tube.
5. Lubricate the entire silicone lid seal with some food grade lubricant and fit to the underside of the Gravity Lid.
6. Place the pressure lid on the mouth of the Fermenter and ensure that the seal seats correctly.
7. Put a small amount of food grade lubricant on the top outer ring of the cap.
8. Place the top thread ring over the lid and tighten firmly.

FERMENTATION TIPS

Fermenting beverages under pressure provides brewers with the ability to reduce unwanted esters and speed up fermentation times with the capacity to ferment at higher temperatures with fewer off flavours.

To control the tank's internal pressure, brewers will need to attach our spunding valve (part 9161) to either a stainless steel mfl type gas disconnect (part 7797) or premium plastic mfl type gas disconnect (part 8282). Attach the spunding valve to the mfl disconnect, set the adjustable valve to your desired pressure, then attach the disconnect to the gas post of the tank's pressure lid. The gas post is identified by a notch at the base of the post to help differentiate it from the liquid post.

Your liquid post should have the silicone dip

tube attached to the float ball inside the tank. You are now able to hold pressure within your tank while releasing excess pressure. If your gauge indicates a slightly different pressure than your desired setting, you can easily readjust the valve pressure. We recommend 5 to 10psi on ales and 15psi on lagers.

Be careful when releasing pressure on any beer still fermenting under pressure. The headspace of your fermenter will fill with the fermenting beer's krausen (foam) and could potentially clog your PRV and gas post dip tube.



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