# USER GUIDE & SERVICE MANUAL





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#### **WELCOME TO U-LINE**

Congratulations on your U-Line purchase. Your product comes from a company with over five decades of premium modular ice making, refrigeration, and wine preservation experience. U-Line continues to be the American leader, delivering versatility and flexibility for multiple applications including residential, light commercial, outdoor and marine use. U-Line's complete product collection includes Wine Captain® Models, Beverage Centers, Clear Ice Machines, Nugget Ice Machines, Crescent Ice Makers, Glass & Solid Door Refrigerators, Drawer Models, Freezers, Combo<sup>®</sup> Models, and more.

U-Line has captivated those with an appreciation for the finer things with exceptional functionality, style, inspired innovations and attention to even the smallest details. We are known and respected for our unwavering dedication to product design, quality and selection. U-Line is headquartered in Milwaukee, Wisconsin and has shipped product to five continents for over two decades and is proud to have the opportunity to ship to you.

#### PRODUCT INFORMATION

Looking for additional information on your product? User Guides, Spec Sheets, CAD Drawings, Compliance Documentation, and Product Warranty information are all available for reference and download at u-line.com.

## PROPERTY DAMAGE / INJURY CONCERNS

In the unlikely event property damage or personal injury is suspected related to a U-Line product, please take the following

- 1. U-Line Customer Care must be contacted immediately at +1.800.779.2547.
- 2. Service or repairs performed on the unit without prior written approval from U-Line is not permitted. If the unit has been altered or repaired in the field without prior written approval from U-Line, claims will not be eligible.

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Introduction



# Safety and Warning

## **NOTICE**

Please read all instructions before installing, operating, or servicing the appliance.

Use this appliance for its intended purpose only and follow these general precautions with those listed throughout this quide:

#### SAFETY ALERT DEFINITIONS

Throughout this guide are safety items labeled with a Danger, Warning or Caution based on the risk type:



Danger means that failure to follow this safety statement will result in severe personal injury or death.

# **MARNING**

Warning means that failure to follow this safety statement could result in serious personal injury or death.

# **▲** CAUTION

Caution means that failure to follow this safety statement may result in minor or moderate personal injury, property or equipment damage.

# **A** DANGER

This unit contains R600a (Isobutane) which is a flammable hydrocarbon. It is safe for regular use. Do not use sharp objects to expedite defrosting. Do not service without consulting the "R600a specifications" section included in the User Guide. Do not damage the refrigerant circuit.

# **▲ WARNING**

Service must be done by factory authorized service personnel. Any parts shall be replaced with like components. Failure to comply could increase the risk of possible ignition due to incorrect parts or improper service.

#### **CALIFORNIA PROPOSITION 65**

This product contains chemicals known to the state of California to cause cancer and birth defects or other reproductive harm. www.P65warnings.CA.gov

Safety and Warning



# Disposal and Recycling



RISK OF CHILD ENTRAPMENT. Before you throw away your old refrigerator or freezer, take off the doors and leave shelves in place so children may not easily climb inside.

If the unit is being removed from service for disposal, check and obey all federal, state, and local regulations regarding the disposal and recycling of refrigeration appliances, and follow these steps completely:

- 1. Remove all consumable contents from the unit.
- 2. Unplug the electrical cord from its socket.
- 3. Remove the door(s)/drawer(s).



# **Environmental Requirements**

This model is intended for indoor/interior applications only and is not to be used in installations that are open/ exposed to natural elements.

This unit is designed to operate between  $50^{\circ}F$  ( $10^{\circ}C$ ) and  $100^{\circ}F$  ( $38^{\circ}C$ ). Higher ambient temperatures may reduce the unit's ability to reach low temperatures and/or reduce ice production on applicable models.

For best performance, keep the unit out of direct sunlight and away from heat generating equipment.

In climates where high humidity and dew points are present, condensation may appear on outside surfaces. This is considered normal. The condensation will evaporate when the humidity drops.



Damages caused by ambient temperatures of 40°F (4°C) or below are not covered by the warranty.



## Electrical



SHOCK HAZARD — Electrical Grounding Required. Never attempt to repair or perform maintenance on the unit until the electricity has been disconnected.

Never remove the round grounding prong from the plug and never use a two-prong grounding adapter.

Altering, cutting or removing power cord, removing power plug, or direct wiring can cause serious injury, fire, loss of property and/or life, and will void the warranty.

Never use an extension cord to connect power to the unit.

Always keep your working area dry.

## **NOTICE**

Electrical installation must observe all state and local codes. This unit requires connection to a grounded (three-prong), polarized receptacle that has been placed by a qualified electrician.

The unit requires a grounded and polarized 115 VAC, 60 Hz, 15A power supply (normal household current). An individual, properly grounded branch circuit or circuit breaker is recommended. A GFCI (ground fault circuit interrupter) is usually not required for fixed location appliances and is not recommended for your unit because it could be prone to nuisance tripping. However, be sure to consult your local codes.

See CUTOUT & PRODUCT DIMENSIONS for recommended receptacle location.

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## **Cutout & Product Dimensions**

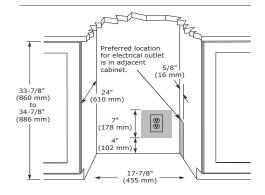
## PREPARE SITE

Your U-Line product has been designed for either freestanding or built-in installation. When built-in, your unit does not require additional air space for top, sides, or rear. However, the front grille must NOT be obstructed, and clearance is required for an electrical connection in the rear.

# **▲** CAUTION

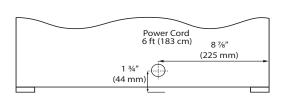
Unit can NOT be installed behind a closed cabinet door.

## **CUTOUT DIMENSIONS**

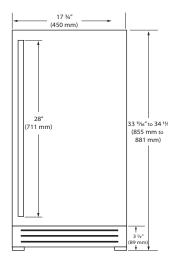


## **PRODUCT DIMENSIONS**

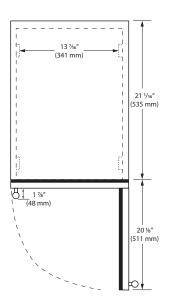
#### **REAR**



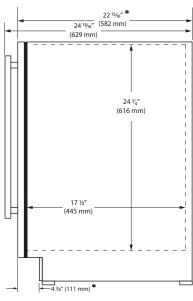
## **FRONT**



TOP



SIDE



\*Add  $\frac{1}{2}$ " for integrated models with  $\frac{3}{4}$ " panel installed.



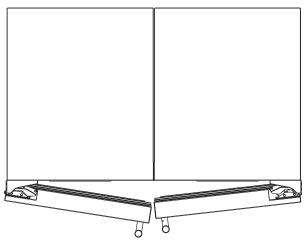
# Side-by-Side Installation

## **OTHER SITE REQUIREMENTS**

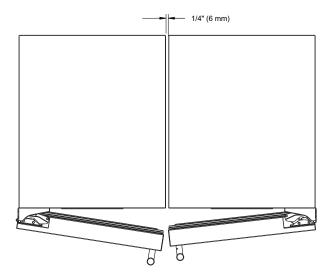
## **Side-by-Side Installation**

Units must operate from separate, properly grounded electrical receptacles placed according to each unit's electrical specifications requirements.

Cutout width for a side-by-side installation is the total of the widths listed under Cutout Dimensions in each unit's Installation Guide. Each door can be opened individually (one at a time) without interference.

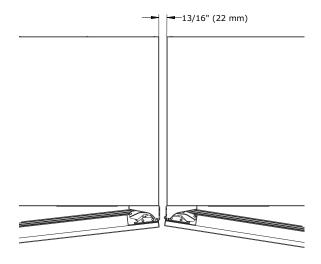


However, to ensure unobstructed door swing (opening both doors at the same time), 1/4" (6.4 mm) of space needs to be maintained between the units.

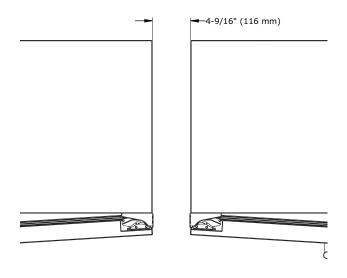


## **Hinge-by-Hinge Installation (Mullion)**

When installing two units hinge-by-hinge, 13/16" (22 mm) is required for integrated models. Additional space may be needed for any knobs, pulls or handles installed.



Stainless steel models which include the standard stainless handle will require 4-9/16" (116 mm) to allow both doors to open to  $90^{\circ}$  at the same time.



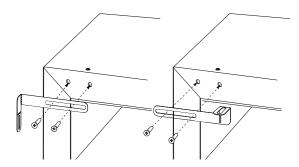


# Anti-Tip Bracket

Use one of the methods below to secure the unit

# **CABINET/COUNTER ANTI-TIP INSTALLATION**(For built-in applications)

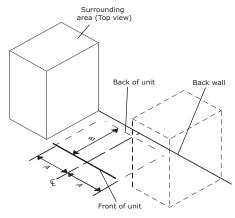
- 1. Slide unit out so screws on front of unit are easily accessible.
- 2. Remove the two screws from the front of the unit.



- 3. Bend bracket along one of the perforations to allow attachment to the desired adjoining surface.
- 4. Gently push unit into position. Be careful not to entangle the electrical cord or water line, if applicable.
- Check to be sure the unit is level from front to back and side to side. Make any necessary adjustments.
   The unit's top surface should be approximately 1/8" (3 mm) below the countertop.
- 6. Secure bracket to adjoining surface.

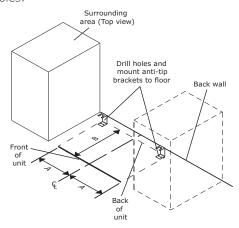
# **FLOOR MOUNTED ANTI-TIP INSTALLATION** (For free-standing applications)

- 1. Locate two anti-tip brackets included with the kit.
- 2. Place the unit into the area where it will be installed. Check the door, sides, and top for a proper fit. Also test to make sure the door opens and closes freely.
- 3. Remove grille and place a mark on the floor at the front of the unit. Also place a mark on the floor in the center of the unit.
- 4. Remove the unit. Using a square, extend center line "B" (see chart below). This line serves as the back edge for the anti-tip brackets. From the center line, measure "A" to the left and right. This line is the outer edge of each bracket.



	515	518	524
Α	7 5/8"	9"	11 15/16"
В	22"	22"	22"

Place the anti-tip brackets on the floor against the line drawn for the outer edge. Mark spots for the screw holes.



- 6. Use a 1/8" drill to make two starter holes and fasten the anti-tip brackets to the floor using the screws provided.
- 7. Place the unit back into position, making sure the feet engage the anti-tip brackets properly. Check the alignment of the lines made on the floor in step 3 with the position of the front feet to ensure proper positioning.

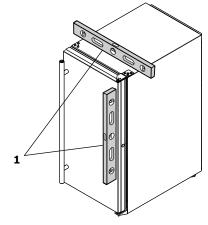
Anti-Tip Bracket



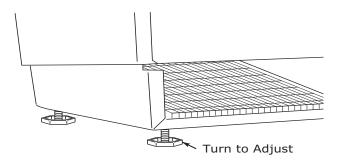
## General Installation

## LEVELING INFORMATION

 Use a level to confirm the unit is level. Level should be placed along top edge and side edge as shown.



2. If the unit is not level, adjust the legs on the corners of the unit as necessary.



3. Confirm the unit is level after each adjustment and repeat the previous steps until the unit is level.

## **INSTALLATION TIP**

If the room floor is higher than the floor in the cutout opening, adjust the rear legs to achieve a total unit rear height of 1/8" (3 mm) less than the opening's rear height. Shorten the unit height in the front by adjusting the front legs. This allows the unit to be gently tipped into the opening. Readjust the front legs to level the unit after it is correctly positioned in the opening.

#### INSTALLATION

- 1. Plug in the power/electrical cord.
- Gently push the unit into position. Be careful not to entangle the cord or water and drain lines, if applicable.
- 3. Re-check the leveling, from front to back and side to side. Make any necessary adjustments. The unit's top surface should be approximately 1/8" (3 mm) below the countertop.
- 4. Install the anti-tip bracket.
- 5. Remove interior packing material and wipe out the inside of the unit with a clean, water-dampened cloth.



# **Integrated Panel Dimensions**

Metric measurements rounded and optimized.

#### **INTEGRATED FRAME**

## **NOTICE**

Due to differences in surrounding cabinetry the panel may not perfectly align with door. The procedure below is designed to provide a finished integrated panel that seamlessly integrates with surrounding cabinetry.

## **Panel Preparation**

A full integrated door panel completely covers the door frame and provides a built-in appearance.

#### **NOTICE**

The door panel must not weigh more than 20 lbs (10 kg).

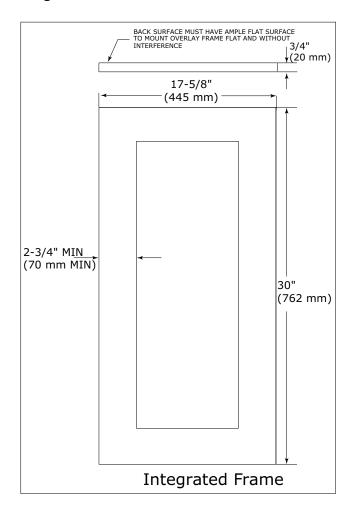
It is important to ensure that all drilled holes are drilled to the correct depth in order to avoid splits in the wood when hardware is installed.

- 1. Cut the panels to the dimensions listed in the diagram below.
- 2. Optional: Stain or finish panel to desired stain or color. Be sure to closely follow the instructions provided by the manufacturer.
- 3. Optional: Install handles and hardware.

## **NOTICE**

When applying an integrated frame to a unit, ensure that both sides are finished in order to prevent warping. In some frame installations, the panel may be visible through the glass while the door is open.

## **Integrated Frame Dimensions**





#### **HANDLELESS INTEGRATED FRAME**

The following procedure is designed to provide a finished, handleless frame for an 18" (45 mm) door that seamlessly integrates with its surrounding cabinetry.

NOTE: Many cabinet manufacturers provide a ready solution for a handleless, integrated design that can be easily applied to your model. Consult your cabinet manufacturer for applicable design and installation details. The cabinet manufacturer's solution to this design and integration detail will often result in an integrated frame solution wherein the size of the frame may result in a height dimension taller than what we specify. This can be achieved provided the additional height is positioned above the appliance door.

## **NOTICE**

The integrated frame aligns with the surrounding cabinetry and, due to differences in cabinetry, may not align perfectly with the door.

The appliance will need up to 34-1/2" (876 mm) to the underside of the counter to leave room for leveling adjustments.

A single prepared frame with insert must not weigh more than 20 lbs (10 kg).

## **Integrated Frame Preparation**

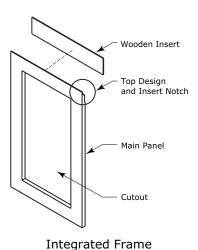
1. Cut the main panel to the dimensions below. For details, see the drawings on the next page.

Main panel width	Main panel height
17-5/8" (445 mm)	28-13/16" (732 mm)

2. Create the top design for the handleless feature and the 1/8" (3 mm) notch for the insert(s) indicated on the appropriate Top Detail drawing, on the next page.

3. Prepare the insert(s) that will back up the handleless design. **Wooden Insert** – Cut 1/8" (3 mm) thick wooden insert(s) to the appropriate dimensions below.

Wooden insert width	Wooden insert height
17-5/8" (445 mm)	3-1/2" (89 mm)

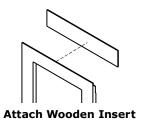


4. Optional: Stain or finish frame and wooden insert to desired stain or color. Be sure to closely follow the instructions provided by the manufacturer.

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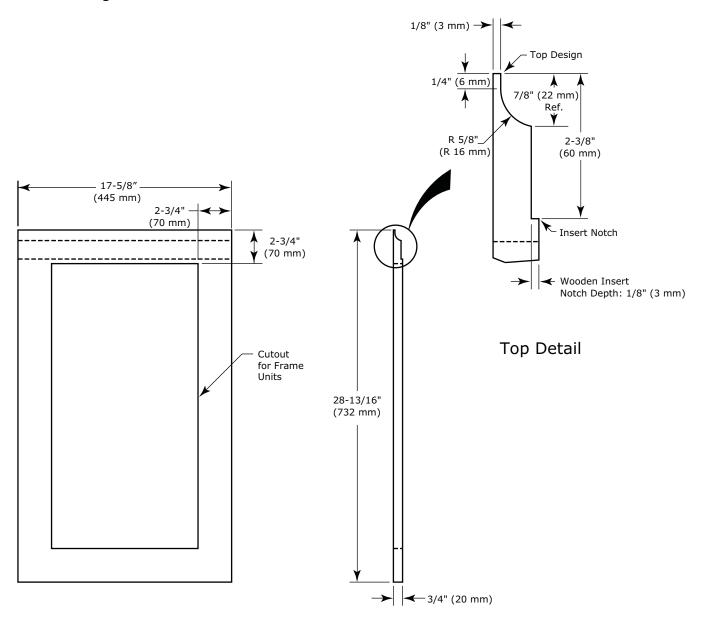
If finishing panel or wooden insert, all sides must be finished to prevent warping.

5. Attach the insert to the frame. Wood glue or equivalent adhesive should be used to attach insert to frame.

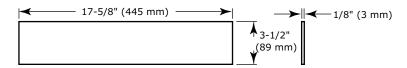




## **Handleless Integrated Frame Dimensions**



## Wooden Insert Dimensions





#### **EXTENDED INTEGRATED FRAME**

#### **NOTICE**

Due to differences in surrounding cabinetry the panel may not perfectly align with door. The procedure below is designed to provide a finished panel that seamlessly integrates with surrounding cabinetry.

### **Panel Preparation**

An extended integrated panel can be used to maintain alignment with an adjacent extended cabinet height or a reduced toe-kick/grille application.

- 1. Cut the panels to the dimensions listed in the appropriate diagram on the next page.
- 2. Optional: Stain or finish panel to desired stain or color. Be sure to closely follow the instructions provided by the manufacturer.

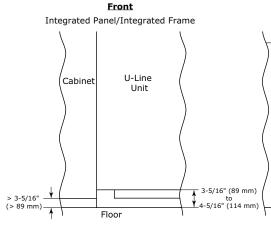
3. Optional: Install handles and hardware.

### **NOTICE**

Integrated Panel

The door panel must not weigh more than 20 lbs (10 kg).

It is important to ensure that all drilled holes are drilled to the correct depth in order to avoid splits in the wood when hardware is installed.

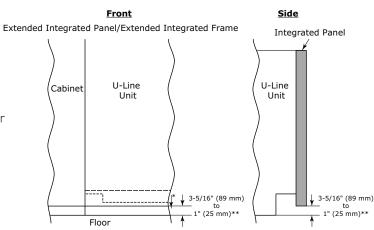


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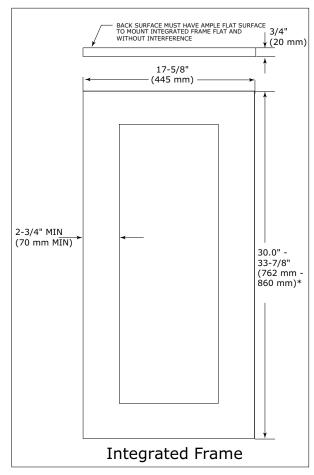
\* Panel can extend beyond the door frame.

\*\* A minimum of 1" (25 mm) from the floor is required for proper ventilation.





## **Extended Integrated Frame Dimensions**



\* A minimum of 1" (25 mm) is required from the floor to the bottom of the extended integrated panel/frame for proper ventilation.

### **NOTICE**

The minimum border thickness for a 30" (762 mm) tall integrated frame is 2-3/4" (70 mm). The top/bottom border of the frame must account for any additional length.

## **Integrated Grille**

If you would like to cover the grille with an integrated panel, purchase U-Line's adjustable grille accessories.

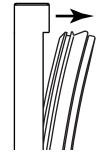
18" - Sales Accessory: ULAGRILLE18

Complete instructions, including dimensions of the integrated grille panel, are included with the accessory.



# **Integrated Panel Installation**

- 1. Fully open door.
- 2. Starting at corner, pull gasket away from door.
- 3. Continue to pull gasket free from gasket channel.

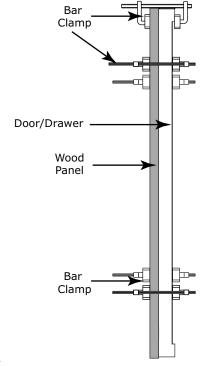


- 4. Upon removal, lay gasket down on a flat surface.
- 5. Align top of panel with top edge of door. Center panel on door.

#### **NOTICE**

Due to differences in floor construction or surrounding cabinetry, the panel may not sit flush with the top of the door.

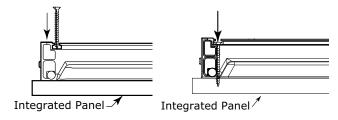
- 6. Secure integrated panel to door using clamps. A robust tape may also be used. U-Line recommends the use of bar clamps to secure the panel to the door. If using tape, be certain the tape will not damage panel finish upon removal.
- 7. Using a 7/64"
  (3 mm) drill bit, drill
  6 pilot holes into
  the wood panel 1/2"
  (12 mm) deep using
  the holes in the door
  frame as a guide.



#### **NOTICE**

It is important to ensure that all drilled holes are drilled to the correct depth in order to avoid splits in the wood when hardwood is installed.

- 8. Locate 6 of the #6x 1-1/2" (38 mm) screws provided with your unit.
- 9. Using a Phillips screwdriver, place one screw into each of the 6 pilot holes and screw down. Do not overtighten screws.
- 10. Ensure the screws sit flush against the bottom of the channel.



11. Remove clamps from door.

#### **NOTICE**

If panel requires additional adjustment after removing clamps, slightly loosen each screw and adjust panel as necessary. Tighten screws upon completion.

12. Starting at the corners, re-install the gasket into the gasket channel in the frame. Make sure the gasket is fully seated.



## **Grille Installation**

## **REMOVING AND INSTALLING GRILLE**



Disconnect electric power to the unit before removing the grille.

When using the unit, the grille must be installed.



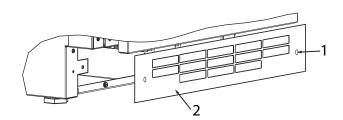
DO NOT touch the condenser fins. The condenser fins are SHARP and can be easily damaged.

## Removing the grille

- 1. Disconnect power to the unit.
- 2. Loosen the two screws (1).
- 3. Remove grille (2) from unit.

## Installing the grille

- 1. Align cabinet and grille holes and secure, but do not over tighten grille screws (1).
- 2. Reconnect power to the unit.



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Grille Installation

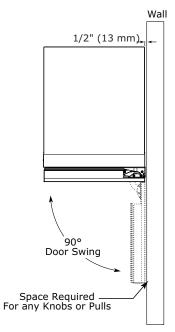


# Door Swing

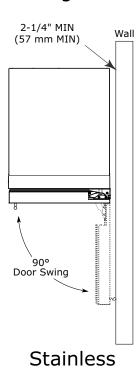
For Integrated models that are installed adjacent to a wall, 1/2" (13 mm) clearance is recommended from wall on hinge side to allow the door to open 90°. Allow for additional space for any knobs or pulls installed on the integrated panel/frame.

Stainless Steel models that are installed adjacent to a wall require 2-1/4" (57 mm) door clearance on hinge side to allow for door handle.

Units have a zero clearance when installed adjacent to cabinets.



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# **Door Adjustments**

## DOOR ALIGNMENT AND ADJUSTMENT

Align and adjust the door if it is not level or not sealing properly. If the door is not sealed, the unit may not cool properly, or excessive frost or condensation may form in the interior.

#### **NOTICE**

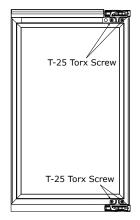
Properly aligned, the door's gasket should be firmly in contact with the cabinet all the way around the door (no gaps). Carefully examine the door's gasket to ensure that it is firmly in contact with the cabinet. Also make sure the door gasket is not pinched on the hinge side of the door.



Do not attempt to use the door to raise or pivot your unit. This would put excessive stress on the hinge system.

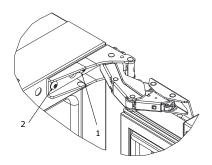
## **Alignment and Adjustment Procedure**

- 1. Open door and remove gasket near the hinges.
- 2. Using a T-25 Torx bit, loosen each pair of Torx head screws both the upper and lower hinge plates.
- 3. Square and align door as necessary.
- 4. Tighten Torx head screws on hinge.
- 5. Reinstall gasket into the channel starting at the corner.



#### REVERSING THE DOOR

- 1. Open door.
- 2. Using T-25 Torx bit loosen screw #1 and remove screw #2 on top and bottom hinge. Slide and remove the door from the unit.



Note: One hinge includes a metal spacer. Spacer must be used with that hinge when reversing the door.

- 3. Remove caps from screw heads on opposite side (2 on top and 2 on bottom). Using #2 Phillips bit, remove the 4 underlying screws. Reinstall the screws and caps on the opposite side.
- 4. Partially install screw #1 in the outer most holes on top and bottom. Rotate door 180o, align hinge over screw #1 and slide/seat into position. Reinstall screw #2 on top and bottom. Tighten both screws and install hinge cover.

## Align and adjust the door:

Align and adjust the door (see DOOR ALIGNMENT AND ADJUSTMENT).



## First Use

Initial startup requires no adjustments. When plugged in, the unit will begin operating under the factory default settings. If the unit was turned off during installation, simply press 1 and the unit will immediately switch on. To turn the unit off, press 1.

## NOTICE

Temperature displayed reflects actual temperature inside unit.

If the temperature displayed is different than selected, the unit is progressing towards the selected temperature. Time to reach set point varies based upon ambient temperature, temperature of product loaded, door openings, etc. U-Line recommends allowing the unit to reach set points before loading.

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# **Control Operation**



## **CONTROL FUNCTION GUIDE**

FUNCTION	COMMAND	NOTES
ON/OFF	Press (b) and release	Unit will immediately turn On or OFF
Adjust Temperature	Press △ or ▽ and release	When the display is flashing, press △ or ▽ to adjust the set point temperature. Note: temperature displayed is the actual temperature inside unit
Toggle between <sup>O</sup> F / <sup>O</sup> C	Hold △ and ▽ for 5 seconds	The display will change units
Leave interior light on	Press and release to leave interior light on for 12 hours; press again to deactivate	After 12 hours, factory default is restored; light will turn on when door is open
Adjust light color	While holding	Option Open Door Closed Door  Ulange White White  Ulange Blue  Ulange Blue  Ulange Blue  Light will be set at full intensity when door is open, and 50% intensity when door is closed.
Enable Sabbath Mode	Press ਨੂੰ and hold for 5 seconds and release	The <sup>O</sup> F / <sup>O</sup> C symbol will flash briefly after 5 seconds. Interior light and display will go dark and remain so until user resets mode - unit continues to operate
Disable Sabbath Mode	Press 🖐 and release	Display and interior light return to normal operation

This unit is Star-K certified. See <a href="https://www.star-k.org">www.star-k.org</a> for more details.

## **DOOR ALERT NOTIFICATION**

When the door is left open for more than 5 minutes:

- A tone will sound for several seconds every minute
- **dr** will appear in display
- Closed door to silence alert and reset



# Airflow & Product Loading

#### **AIRFLOW**

## **External**

- Do not block the front grille no additional clearance around sides, top or rear of unit is needed for ventilation
- Do not install behind a closed door

## **Internal**

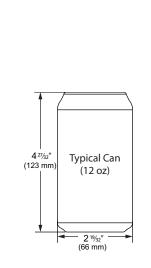
• When loading, leave space between internal fans, vents, and side walls to allow air to circulate freely

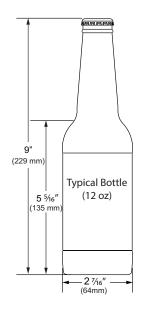
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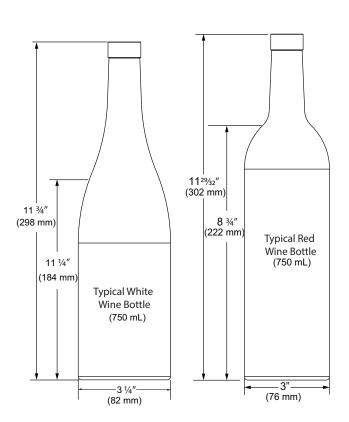
Bottles and cans come in all shapes and sizes. When determining capacities U-Line uses the following sizes. Combinations of red and white bottles are used in Wine Captain $^{\circledR}$  Models and Beverage Centers.

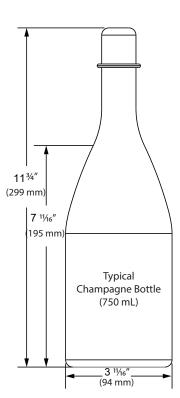
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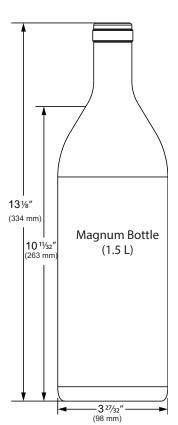
Restricting airflow may result in poor product performance, product failure, and uneven internal temperatures and may freeze contents.













# Interior Adjustments

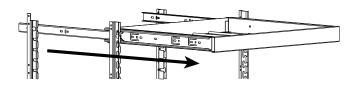
All 5 Class models feature side mounted rack supports with 19 adjustment positions.

All Wine Captain® models ship with 7 racks designed to hold the maximum number of typical white and red wine bottles. Remove and reposition racks as desired to accommodate a variety of bottle sizes and shapes.

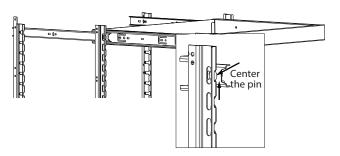
#### WINE RACK ADJUSTMENT

## **Wine Rack Removal**

1. Fully extend empty rack



2. Firmly grasp both sides of rack and lift front end of rack slightly (about 1/4") to center the pin in the slot.



- 3. Pull rack towards you until all pins are clear of the slots. If only repositioning the rack, do not remove completely go to "Rack Installation" Step 2.
- 4. Slightly tilt one side. Gently pull rack towards you to remove rack from unit.



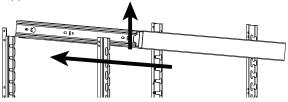
Note: Take care when removing rack to avoid scratching interior of unit.

5. Once removed, retract the slides.

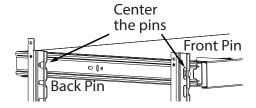
Note: The slides on the rack have a thin coating which is used to block moisture and provide lubrication. Use care when handling.

#### Wine Rack Installation

 Insert empty rack into unit with one side tilted slightly downward until back pin is between front and rear rail supports.



2. Tilt rack back to horizontal and line up 2 back pins with back slots.



- 3. Line up 2 back pins with 2 back slots and 2 front pins with 2 front slots.
- 4. Continue inserting rack until all four pins are fully inserted. Front of rack will set down slightly into the front slots and be locked into position.

Interior Adjustments



# Wine Storage Options

## WINE RACK BOTTLE POSITION

Specially designed horizontal wine racks properly position the bottles so the wine remains in contact with the cork, which ensures the cork does not become dry.

Racks are designed to accommodate typical 750ml wine bottles as follows:

## **UHWC515 15" Wine Captain Models**



5 Class 15" Wine 4 Bottles

## **UHWC524 24" Wine Captain Models**

5 Class 24" Wine 7 Bottles



## **UHWC518 18" Wine Captain Models**



5 Class 18" Wine 5 Bottles



## Wine Guide

#### LOOKING BEHIND THE LABEL

To most, wine is a delicious mystery. We purchase it, uncork it, and savor its taste and beauty. But there is so much more to true wine appreciation. Many secrets are simply too good to keep bottled up.

#### WINE SELECTIONS SUGGESTIONS

Selecting the right wine for the right occasion can sometimes be a seemingly awkward or difficult task for the beginning wine enthusiast. We would therefore like to present you with a few suggestions which may provide a little more confidence and enjoyment when choosing and serving your wines.

When selecting wines, keep an open mind and do not be afraid to be adventurous. Do not view the subject of wine so seriously it discourages you from learning and discovering for fear of embarrassment if something is incorrect. Wine is best viewed as a hobby and enjoyed.

When assembling your collection, try not to become obsessed with "Vintages." Although a chart can be a useful tool, generalizations about a specific year have led more than one collector to disappointment. Often an "Off Year" will provide a better value and more drinking enjoyment.

The primary guideline to the subject of wine is your own palate. Do not be afraid to make mistakes. Experiment, discover, but most of all, enjoy yourself and your new U-Line product.

## **Guide To Common Styles Of Wine**

Red Wines		
Full-Bodied Dry	California French Italian	Zinfandel, Cabernet Rhone, Chateauneuf-du- Pape Barbaresco, Barolo
Medium-Bodied Dry	California French	Pinot Noir Bordeaux, Burgundy
Light-Bodied Dry	French Italian	Beaujolais Chianti, Bardolino
White Wines		
Full-Bodied Dry	California French	Chardonnay Montrachet, Meursault Puligny- Montrachet
Medium-Bodied Dry	California French	Sauvignon-Blanc Pouilly-Fuisse, Sancerre, Vouvray, Graves
Light-Bodied, Dry	French	Chablis, Muscadet, Pouilly-Fume
Full-Bodied, Very Sweet	Germany French Hungary	Beerenauslese Sauternes Tokay
Medium-Bodied, Semi-Sweet	California Germany	Gewurtztraminer Liebfraumilch
Light-Bodied Off Dry	Germany	Rhine, Mosel Riesling

#### **Matching Food and Wine**

Although there are no hard fast rules for matching wine to food, observe some guidelines. Delicate dishes should be accompanied by lighter more delicate wines. Full-flavored foods should be matched with fuller-bodied wines.

As a general rule, one should aim to ascend in flavor and quality of wines served.

Serve a:	Before a:
DRY wine	SWEET wine
WHITE wine	RED wine
YOUNG wine	OLD wine
LIGHT-BODIED wine	FULL-BODIED wine

Any step back in quality will be noticed. If a fine wine is tasted prior to a lesser wine, many of the fine wine's subtle qualities may be missed.



#### **Common Food and Wine Matches**

Foods	Wines
Fish, Shell Fish, Crab, Oysters	Dry White Wines, Light Sparkling or Extra Dry Champagne
Beef, Venison	Full-Bodied Red Wines
Pork, Veal, Lamb and Poultry	Light-Bodied Red Wines
Fruit	Sweet White and Sparkling Wines

## A Toast to Wine Truths

Like the grapes themselves, many wine myths have been cultivated over the centuries.

Myth 1: Most wines taste better when aged.

**Truth:** In fact, less than 5% of wines produced today are meant to be aged. Most wines are crafted to be consumed within the first one to two years.

**Myth 2:** Wines should be uncorked and decanted allowing them to "breathe."

**Truth:** To breathe or not breathe? While it is better to allow a young tannic Red to breathe in a glass or decanter to soften the tannins, an old Red reaches a stage in its life where it should be enjoyed soon after opening. Allow an old Red to breathe for a short time to dissipate any off odors. Most white wines can be served, ideally, 10-15 minutes after opening.

**Myth 3:** When age worthy wines peak, they must be consumed almost immediately.

**Truth:** Most great wines reach a plateau period rather than a peak. Great Bordeaux's may have as much as a 10-year plateau before fading.

Myth 4: Wine color does not change with aging.

**Truth:** As red wines age they get lighter in color while whites get darker.

### The Cork: A Mystery on Its Own

Cork Presentation. The ritual of the presentation of the cork has a rich and fascinating history dating back to the late 1800's. A phylloxera (root louse) devastation to the vineyards severely limited the supply of great wines. Restaurateurs would remove labels on inferior wines and replace them with labels from superior wines. This made it necessary for patrons to protect themselves by checking the branding on the cork to ensure that what they ordered was, in fact, what they were served.

When presented with a cork today, feel it to check for its integrity, read and match the branding on the cork to the bottle and set it aside. There is little to be learned from the cork. The proof is in the wine.

"Corked" wines. If you've ever had a wine that smelled or tasted of mold, you've experienced a wine that may have been "corked." Today, between five and eight percent of wines are tainted with Trichloroanisole (TCA). This substance, found naturally in plants and trees, is imparted to the wine through the cork. Corked wines are a major concern for winemakers as it destroys millions of cases per year and puts reputations at stake. Amazing as it may seem, twist-off caps may offer a better alternative; many great wineries in California, Australia and New Zealand are pioneering the trend.



### **Common Tasting Terms**

Terminology	Description
Acidity	A critical element of wine that is responsible for preserving the wine's freshness. Excess acidity results in an overly tart and sour wine.
Balance	A desired trait where tannin, fruit and acidity are in total harmony. Wines with good balance tend to age gracefully.
Body	The weight and presence of wine in the mouth provided by the alcohol and tannin level. Full-bodied wines tend to have this strong concentration.
Bouquet	The blending of a wine's aroma within the bottle over a period of time, caused by volatile acidity.
Complex	A subjective term often used in tasting. A wine is said to be complex if it offers a variety of flavors and scents that continue to evolve as it develops.
Flabby	A wine that lacks structure, or is heavy to the taste, lacks acidity.
Full-Bodied	Wine high in alcohol and extract, generally speaking, fills the mouth, powerful.
Lean	Generally describes wines that are slim, lacking of generosity or thin.
Oaky	A desirable flavor imparted to wine if done in moderation. Most wines are aged in oak barrels one to three years, thereby receiving this toasty oak characteristic. However, if a weak wine is left in contact too long with an oak barrel, it will tend to be overpowered with an oaky taste.
Tannin	Tannins are extracted from the grape skins and stems and are necessary for a well-balanced red wine. Tannins are easily identified in wine tasting as the drying sensation over the gums. Tannins generally fade as a wine ages.

#### **IDEAL WINE STORAGE CONSIDERATIONS**

**Temperature:** The most important element about storage temperature is stability. If wine is kept in a stable environment between 40°F (7°C) and 65°F (21°C), it will remain sound. A small 1-2 degree temperature fluctuation within a stable environment is acceptable. Larger temperature fluctuations can affect the cork's ability to seal, allowing the wine to "leak" from the bottle.

**Humidity:** The traditional view on humidity maintains that wines should be stored on their sides in 50% - 80% relative humidity to ensure cork moisture and proper fit in the bottle. Contemporary wisdom suggests that the cork surface is too small to be impacted by humidity. Further, the cork is sealed with a metal or wax capsule making humidity penetration impossible. The concept of a humid storage environment was derived from the necessity of wineries to maintain moisture in their cellars to keep wooden barrel staves swollen, preventing wine evaporation and product loss. In fact, vineyards estimate as much as a 10% product loss per year due to evaporation while wine is aging in the wooden barrels. Humidity, however, was not intended for the modern cellar where wine is stored in glass bottles with sealed corks.

**Light:** UV rays are not only harmful to people, they are damaging to wines - especially those in clear bottles. Since oxygen molecules in wine absorb UV rays, wine should never be stored in direct light for long periods of time.

**Vibration:** Provided that sediment is left undistributed and particles are not suspended, vibration in a storage environment is not an issue. Wines can become flat or tired when voids and vacuums are created inside the wine bottle. In order to create voids and vacuums within a liquid, aggressive motion or shaking of the wine bottle would have to occur.



## **Common Food and Wine Matches**

Temperature	Wines
Approximately 60°F (15°C)	Red
50°F - 55°F (10°C - 12°C)	White
Approximately 45°F (7°C)	Sparkling

## Wine Captain® Models - A Touch of Elegance

In 1985 U-Line was the first North American appliance manufacturer to develop a residential wine storage unit, the Wine Captain®. Each U-Line Wine Captain® model is designed to impress and inspire anyone with an interest in wine by providing cellar conditions in stylish, undercounter units. U-Line Wine Captain® models offer stable storage temperatures, a 50% internal relative humidity, and protection from UV light rays. U-Line has the largest product offering available, making storing, presenting, and sharing your wine effortless and elegant.



# Cleaning

#### Stainless Models

Stainless door panels and handles can discolor when exposed to chlorine gas, pool chemicals, saltwater or cleaners with bleach.

Keep your stainless unit looking new by cleaning with a good quality all-in-one stainless steel cleaner and polish monthly. For best results use Claire<sup>®</sup> Stainless Steel Polish and Cleaner. Comparable products are acceptable. Frequent cleaning will remove surface contamination that could lead to rust. Some installations may require cleaning weekly.

Do not clean with steel wool pads.

Do not use stainless steel cleaners or polishes on any glass surfaces.

Clean any glass surfaces with a non-chlorine glass cleaner.

Do not use cleaners not specifically intended for stainless steel on stainless steel surfaces (this includes glass, tile and counter cleaners).

If any surface discoloring or rusting appears, clean it quickly with Bon-Ami $^{\mathbb{R}}$  or Barkeepers Friend Cleanser $^{\mathbb{R}}$  and a nonabrasive cloth. Always clean with the grain. Always finish with Claire $^{\mathbb{R}}$  Stainless Steel Polish and Cleaner or comparable product to prevent further problems.

Using abrasive pads such as Scotchbrite™ will cause the graining in the stainless steel to become blurred.

Rust not cleaned up promptly can penetrate the surface of the stainless steel and complete removal of the rust may not be possible.

**Integrated Models** 

To clean integrated panels, use household cleaner per the cabinet manufacturer's recommendation.

#### **INTERIOR CLEANING**

Disconnect power to the unit.

Clean the interior and all removed components using a mild nonabrasive detergent and warm water solution applied with a soft sponge or non-abrasive cloth.

Rinse the interior using a soft sponge and clean water.

**Do not use any solvent-based or abrasive cleaners.** These types of cleaners may transfer taste to the interior products and damage or discolor the lining.

#### **DEFROSTING**

Under normal conditions this unit does not require manual defrosting. Minor frost on the rear wall or visible through the evaporator plate vents is normal and will melt during each off cycle.

If there is excessive build-up of 1/4" (6 mm) or more, manually defrost the unit.

Ensure the door is closing and sealing properly.

High ambient temperature and excessive humidity can also produce frost.



DO NOT use an ice pick or other sharp instrument to help speed up defrosting. These instruments can puncture the inner lining or damage the cooling unit. DO NOT use any type of heater to defrost. Using a heater to speed up defrosting can cause personal injury and damage to the inner lining.

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## **NOTICE**

The drain pan was not designed to capture the water created when manually defrosting. To prevent water from overflowing the drain pan and possibly damaging water sensitive flooring, the unit must be removed from cabinetry.

## To defrost:

- 1. Disconnect power to the unit.
- 2. Remove all products from the interior.
- 3. Prop the door in an open position (2 in. [50 mm] minimum).
- 4. Allow the frost to melt naturally.
- 5. After the frost melts completely clean the interior and all removed components. (See INTERIOR CLEANING).
- 6. When the interior is dry, reconnect power and turn unit on.

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# Cleaning Condenser

## **INTERVAL - EVERY SIX MONTHS**

To maintain operational efficiency, keep the front grille free of dust and lint, and clean the condenser when necessary. Depending on environmental conditions, more or less frequent cleaning may be necessary.

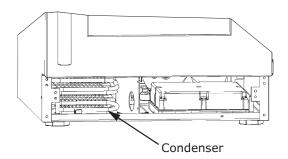


Disconnect electric power to the unit before cleaning the condenser.

#### **NOTICE**

DO NOT use any type of cleaner on the condenser unit. Condenser may be cleaned using a vacuum, soft brush, or compressed air.

- 1. Remove the grille. See GRILLE INSTALLATION).
- 2. Clean the condenser coil using a soft brush or vacuum cleaner.
- 3. Install the grille.





## Extended Non-Use

## **VACATION/HOLIDAY, PROLONGED SHUTDOWN**

The following steps are recommended for periods of extended non-use:

- 1. Remove all consumable content from the unit.
- 2. Disconnect the power cord from its outlet/socket and leave it disconnected until the unit is returned to service.
- 3. If ice is on the evaporator, allow ice to thaw naturally.
- 4. Clean and dry the interior of the unit. Ensure all water has been removed from the unit.
- The door must remain open to prevent formation of mold and mildew. Open door a minimum of 2" (50 mm) to provide the necessary ventilation.

## WINTERIZATION

If the unit will be exposed to temperatures of 40°F (5°C) or less, the steps above must be followed.

For questions regarding winterization, please call U-Line at 800.779.2547.



Damage caused by freezing temperatures is not covered by the warranty.

Extended Non-Use

# **U-Line Corporation (U-Line) Limited Warranty**

## **One Year Limited Warranty**

For one year from the date of original purchase, this U-Line product warranty covers all parts and labor to repair or replace any part of the product that proves to be defective in materials or workmanship. For products installed and used for normal residential use, material cosmetic defects are included in this warranty, with coverage limited to 60 days from the date of original purchase. All service provided by U-Line under the above warranty must be performed by U-Line factory authorized service, unless otherwise specified by U-Line. Service provided during normal business hours.

## **Available Second Year Limited Warranty**

Beyond the standard one year warranty outlined above, U-Line offers an extension of the one year warranty coverage for an additional second year from the date of purchase, free of charge. To take advantage of this second year warranty, you must register your product with U-Line within two months from the date of purchase at u-line.com providing proof of purchase.

## **Five Year Sealed System Limited Warranty**

For five years from the date of original purchase, U-Line will repair or replace the following parts, labor not included, that prove to be defective in materials or workmanship: compressor, condenser, evaporator, drier, and all connecting tubing. All service provided by U-Line under the above warranty must be performed by U-Line factory authorized service, unless otherwise specified by U-Line. Service provided during normal business hours.

#### **Terms**

These warranties apply only to products installed in any one of the fifty states of the United States, the District of Columbia, or the ten provinces of Canada. The warranties do not cover any parts or labor to correct any defect caused by negligence, accident or improper use, maintenance, installation, service, repair, acts of God, fire, flood or other natural disasters. The product must be installed, operated, and maintained in accordance with the U-Line User Guide.

The remedies described above for each warranty are the only ones that U-Line will provide, either under these warranties or under any warranty arising by operation of law. U-Line will not be responsible for any consequential or incidental damages arising from the breach of these warranties or any other warranty, whether express, implied, or statutory. Some states do not allow the exclusion or limitation of incidental or consequential damages, so the above limitation or exclusion may not apply to you. These warranties give you specific legal rights, and you may also have other rights which vary from state to state.

Any warranty that may be implied in connection with your purchase or use of the product, including any warranty of merchantability or any warranty fit for a particular purpose is limited to the duration of these warranties, and only extends to five years in duration for the parts described in the section related to the five year limited warranty above. Some states do not allow limitations on how long an implied warranty lasts, so the above limitations may not apply to you.

- The warranties only apply to the original purchaser and are non-transferable.
- The second year and five year warranties cover products installed and used for normal residential or designated marine use only.
- The warranties apply to units operated outside only if designed for outdoor use by model and serial number.
- Replacement water filters, light bulbs, and other consumable parts are not covered by these warranties.
- The start of U-Line's obligation is limited to four years after the shipment date from U-Line.
- In-home instruction on how to use your product is not covered by these warranties.
- Food, beverage, and medicine loss are not covered by these warranties.
- If the product is located in an area where U-Line factory authorized service is not available, you may be responsible for a trip charge or you may be required to bring the product to a U-Line factory authorized service location at your own expense.
- Units purchased after use as floor displays, and/or certified reconditioned units, are covered by the limited one year warranty only and no coverage is provided for cosmetic defects
- Signal issues related to Wi-Fi connectivity are not covered by these warranties.

For parts and service assistance, or to find U-Line factory authorized service near you, contact U-Line: 8900 N. 55th Street, Milwaukee, WI 53223 • u-line.com • onlineservice@u-line.com • +1.800.779.2547

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