# PORTACOOL JETSTREAM OWNER'S MANUAL

PACJS240, PACJS250, PACJS260, PACJS270



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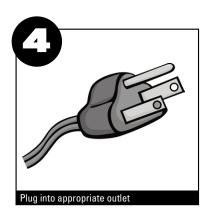
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## **QUICK SETUP**

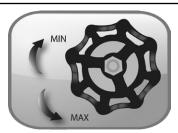








For setup, KUUL® evaporative media should appear wet before starting the fan. Check the water gauge to monitor water level in tank. The water adjustment valve on each portable evaporative cooler is set at max flow. However, ensure the knob is turned completely to the right before use. Turn to the left to increase water flow. Less water is required for cooling in more humid environments.



Water adjustment valve

## SAFETY

#### **OPERATION WARNINGS**

- 1) Not for use by children
- 2) Not for use by persons with reduced physical, sensory or mental capabilities
- 3) Not for use by persons who have not reviewed the owner's manual and familiarized themselves with the operation of the evaporative cooler.

#### SAFE OPERATION

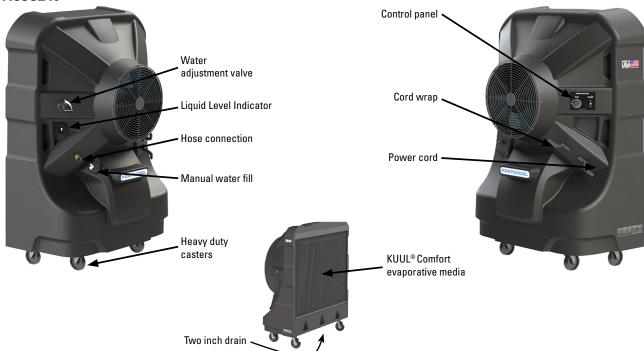
#### To reduce the risk of electric shock, fire, or injury:

- Read the evaporative cooler's instructions, owner's manual and labels before operating.
- Do not operate evaporative cooler unless all KUUL® evaporative media is securely in place.
- Operation near open flames or sparks is not recommended.
- If operating near open flame or sparks, ensure the pump is continuously running in order to saturate and wet KUUL evaporative media.
- Never wash the evaporative cooler's housing with a garden hose; water may harm the motor or electrical system.
- Remove the plug from the electrical receptacle by pulling on the plug and not the cord.
- Test the GFCI/GLCI receptacle or breaker monthly to ensure it is functioning properly.
- Do not operate any evaporative cooler with a damaged cord or plug.
- If the cord or plug become damaged in any way, entire cord should be replaced.
- Repairs should only be made by qualified individuals and should only be made using authorized Portacool replacement parts.
- Do not run cord under carpeting. Do not cover cord with throw rugs, runners or similar coverings. Arrange cord away from

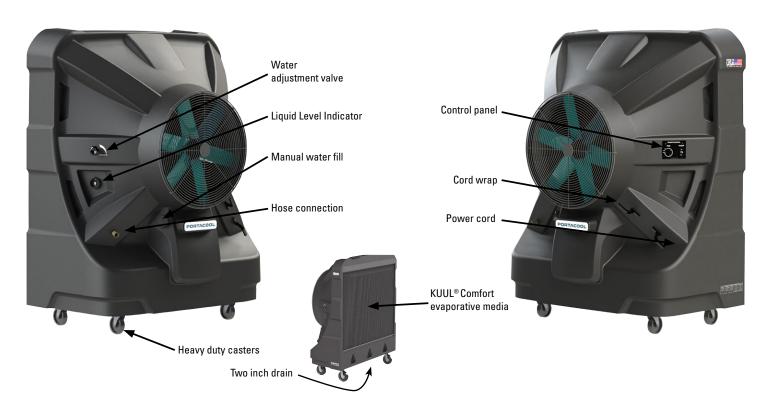
traffic area so it will not be tripped over.

- Always unplug the electric cord to the evaporative cooler before performing inspections or repairs.
- Plug into outlet of appropriate current and voltage capacity.
- Do not step on or roll over power cord with heavy or sharp objects.
- The use of extension cords with your evaporative cooler is not recommended. However, if the owner determines that his or her circumstance or intended use requires the use of an extension cord, the following requirements must be met:
  - Use properly grounded 14 AWG or greater for PACJS240-260.
  - Use properly grounded 12 AWG or greater for PACJS270.
  - Extension cord must not exceed 50 feet in length; and
  - Extension cord must be properly grounded.
- Evaporative coolers should not be modified in any way other than repairs made by qualified individuals with Portacool replacement parts.
- If the evaporative cooler is damaged or malfunctions, do not continue to operate it. Refer to the warranty, troubleshooting or FAQ sections of this Owner's Manual, call Portacool, LLC Technical Support at 1-888-266-5243, or email support@portacool.com.

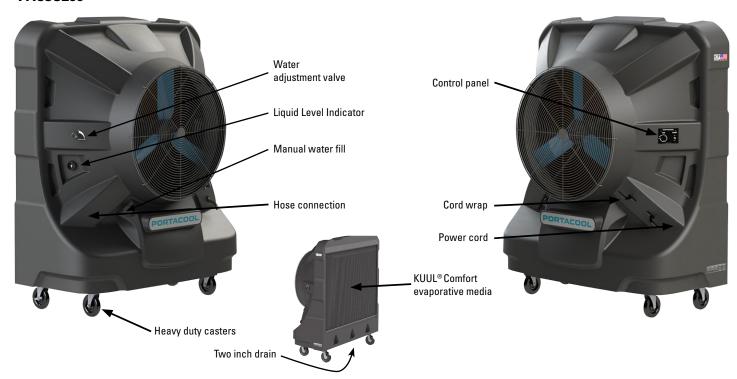
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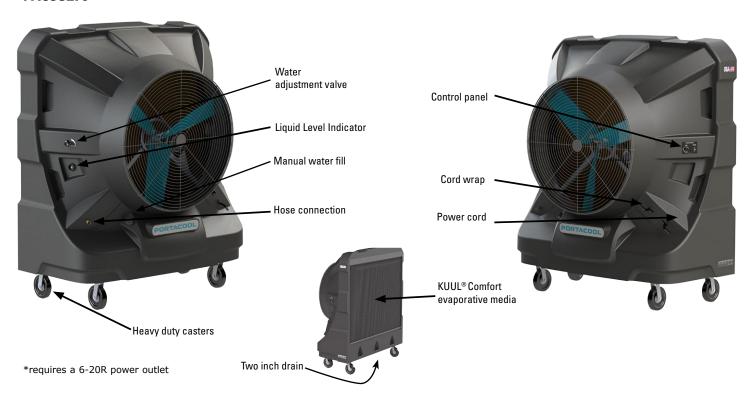
### PACJS250



### PACJS260



### PACJS270\*



### START UP

#### PLACEMENT

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- 1) Make sure there is a clear, unobstructed path in front of the evaporative cooler to provide maximum airflow.
- 2) If the evaporative cooler is positioned on a raised platform, ensure the platform is stable, well constructed, and will not allow the evaporative cooler to tip over and that it allows for the full weight of the evaporative cooler including a tank full of water. The cooler must be level and in the upright position. The casters should also be locked to prevent the evaporative cooler from moving.
- 3) If placed near a wall or other obstruction, position the evaporative cooler a minimum of 3 feet (0.9 meters) from the wall or obstruction with evaporative media facing the wall. This allows the unrestricted flow of warm air to the KUUL® evaporative media side of the evaporative cooler. When using multiple evaporative coolers in close proximity, be sure to aim each evaporative cooler so the air flows complement each other to achieve maximum cooling capacity.

#### STARTING THE PUMP AND ADJUSTING THE WATER FLOW

Once the tank is full of water, moving the pump switch to the "ON" position on the control panel will turn on the pump. When initially turning on the pump, the level in the water tank will drop suddenly and restart the flow of supply water. This is a normal condition, as the evaporative media requires a large amount of water for proper wetting.

New KUUL evaporative media will require an initial 'breaking-in' period. This period is required for the media to begin readily absorbing water. It may require up to a week to achieve maximum efficiency.

It is important to ensure that the water flow to the evaporative media is properly adjusted when first starting the water flow in the evaporative cooler. Increasing the flow using the water adjustment valve (see Quick Setup in this manual) makes this adjustment. Proper water adjustment should leave the evaporative media saturated with water, but not flooded. Evaporative media should appear wet. When properly adjusted, one or two dry streaks will appear across surface of the KUUL evaporative media.

When turning the evaporative cooler off at the end of the day or week, the pump should be turned off about 15 minutes before the fan to allow the KUUL evaporative media to dry.

#### STARTING THE PORTACOOL EVAPORATIVE COOLER

Start the fan by turning the fan switch to the desired speed on the control panel. Before starting, make sure casters are in locked position.

## MAINTENANCE

- 1) Keep the evaporative cooler clean to ensure peak operating performance.
- 2) The rugged, corrosion-resistant construction ensures low maintenance will be required.

#### **DAILY MAINTENANCE**

The pump should be turned off approximately <u>15 minutes</u> before the fan is turned off. This will allow the KUUL® evaporative media to dry out and extend the life of the media. This also helps control the growth of mildew, mold, bacteria, and other odor-causing elements.

#### **WEEKLY MAINTENANCE**

The evaporative cooler should be shut down and the tank should be drained once a week. Closing the water adjustment valve and removing the drain plug will accomplish this. Once the tank is drained and the power disconnected, the KUUL evaporative media may be removed to allow cleaning of the tank. Dust may collect in the tank over time. Replace evaporative media in correct airflow direction, referring to the label on the media.

#### STORAGE

- 1) Drain all water from the tank and wipe clean, ensuring the KUUL evaporative media and tank are completely dry.
- 2) Roll up the electrical power cord and secure it to ensure it will not be rolled over, tripped over or caught in equipment.
- 3) Cover the evaporative cooler completely to prevent dust build-up and store in a dry area. This also helps to prevent damage to the KUUL evaporative media. Optional dust covers are available from your distributor or at www.portacoolparts.com.



# TROUBLESHOOT

Turn off all power to the cooler before attempting to troubleshoot any of the following symptoms. For problems not listed, please contact customer support.

SYMPTOM	POSSIBLE CAUSES	REMEDY	
Evaporative cooler fails to start or deliver air	1. No electrical power to cooler A. Circuit breaker tripped B. GFCI tripped C. Cord(s) unplugged or damaged 2. Motor overheated and/or frozen 3. Faulty relay (PACJS270 only)	1. Check power A. Reset breaker* B. Reset GFCI* C. Plug in cord(s) or replace if damaged 2. Replace motor 3. Replace relay	
Evaporative cooler starts but air delivery inadequate	<ol> <li>Insufficient air exhaust</li> <li>Insufficient water-KUUL® evaporative media not wet         <ul> <li>KUUL evaporative media plugged</li> <li>Dry streaks on KUUL evaporative media</li> <li>Large dry spots on KUUL evaporative media</li> <li>Pump not working</li> <li>Loose water connections</li> </ul> </li> </ol>	1. Open windows or doors 2. Check water distribution system A. Clean or replace evaporative media B. Check water level C. Make sure evap cooler is level, clean spray bar D. Clean or replace pump E. Check for leaks and correct	
Water draining from evaporative cooler	1. Drain bushing/cap not tight 1. Tighten fitting and/or cap or tighten d		
Musty or unpleasant odor	Stale or stagnant water in tank     Media mildewed or clogged     Media not wetted before cooler is turned on	Drain, flush and clean tank     Replace media     Turn on pump before starting fan	
Knocking, shaking, or rattling sounds	Loose parts     Fan blade rubbing shroud	Check and tighten where needed     Inspect and adjust, or replace fan blade	
Water droplets in the discharge air stream *If condition persists, call electrician	Too much water delivered to evaporative media     Outdoor humidity is too high or it is raining     Leaking hose	Make sure media is properly positioned in the frames and evaporative cooler is level     Use evaporative cooler as fan only (turn pump off or discontinue use until outdoor humidity drops     Tighten connection or replace hose	

# **NEW FEATURES**

#### GFCI / ELCI

The Portacool Jetstream $^{\text{TM}}$  series utilizes a GFCI or ELCI to protect the user from excessive leakage current. These devices are intended to trip at very low leakage currents. If a trip occurs, reset the device to see if there have been some voltage surge in the system.

- 1) PACJS240, PACJS250, PACJS260 use a GFCI integral to the power cord
- 2) PACJS270 uses an ELCI integral to the power cord requires a 6-20R power outlet

#### LIQUID LEVEL INDICATOR / PUMP SHUTOFF

A liquid level indicator with integral shutoff gives a visual indication of the water level in the evaporative cooler and will shut of the pump once the water reaches a certain threshold. When this occurs, a red neon light on the control panel will illuminate to draw attention to the low water level condition and alert the user that the pump has shut off. This light may cycle on and off for a few minutes to draw attention to the low water condition as it tries to exhaust the remaining water.



# WARRANTY

#### **TECHNICAL SUPPORT**

Technical support and service is available directly from your distributor or call Portacool, LLC Technical Support Hot Line at 888-266-5243 for the distributor nearest you. You may also contact the Support Hot Line for consultation on troubleshooting and parts replacement.

Please have serial number and model number of cooler available.

#### **WARRANTY AND REPLACEMENT PARTS**

#### PORTACOOL™ EVAPORATIVE COOLER LIMITED WARRANTY

For three (3) years from date of purchase, Portacool, LLC (hereafter "Portacool") warrants any original component part or parts of its Portacool™ portable evaporative coolers (the "Equipment") that are found, upon examination by factory-authorized personnel, to be defective in material or workmanship.

Notwithstanding anything herein to the contrary, Portacool warrants its Jetstream 240, 250, 260 and 270 housings for the full lifetime of the product to the extent they are found, upon examination by factory-authorized personnel, to be defective in material or workmanship. The Lifetime Warranty on product housings is void if the housing is found upon examination by Portacool to have been misused, abused or otherwise tampered with by unqualified personnel. The Lifetime Warranty on product housings does not cover ordinary wear and tear and is non-transferrable.

If the Equipment and/or its original component parts, including product housings, develop a defect covered by this limited warranty within the applicable time periods described above, the same may be repaired or replaced at the option of Portacool.

All transportation charges for shipment of the Equipment and/or its component parts that are submitted for replacement or repair under this warranty must be borne by the purchaser.

This warranty is void if: i) the Equipment and/or its component parts are found to have been misused, abused, repaired by or tampered with by unqualified personnel; ii) any of the product's component parts have been replaced with parts that were not authorized Portacool replacement parts; iii) the product has been modified in any way (other than repairs made by qualified individuals with Portacool replacement parts); iv) the product has not been appropriately registered by its original purchaser; or v) the customer cannot show proof of purchase as the product's original owner.

#### PORTACOOL LIMITATION OF LIABILITY

IN THE CASE OF A BREACH OF ANY IMPLIED OR WRITTEN WARRANTY RELATING TO THE EQUIPMENT AND/OR ITS COMPONENT PARTS, PORTACOOL SHALL NOT BE LIABLE FOR ANY INCIDENTAL OR CONSEQUENTIAL DAMAGES, AND THE LIMITS OF LIABILITY AGAINST PORTACOOL FOR ANY SUCH BREACH SHALL NOT EXCEED THE COST OF REPLACEMENT OR REPAIR OF THE EQUIPMENT.



Portacool, LLC is proud to provide world-class service and support. Portacool Protect™ brings together our commitment to service and support in the form of best-in-class warranties, service programs, technical support and live customer service to provide our customers with an ownership experience that is second to none.

Each of the following components are included with your Portacool Jetstream™ series product:

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Year warranty on Jetstream series motor and electrical components



Lifetime warranty on all molded housings



Live, US-based Customer Service

For complete warranty information and limitations, please see Warranty page. Beyond these aspects of Portacool Protect™, we ask that you not hesitate to contact us with any additional questions or comments you might have. For more than 25 years, we have built our business on service and support. We look forward to speaking with you.

## **KEY PARTS**

	240	250	260	270
MOTOR	PARMTRJ2400A	PARMTRJ2500A	PARMTRJ2600A	PARMTRJ2700A
PUMP	PARPMPJ2400A	PARPMPJ2500A	PARPMPJ2600A	PARPMPJ2700A
MEDIA	PARKULJ24000	PARKULJ25000	PARKULJ26000	PARKULJ27000
CASTERS	PARCSTJ240F0	PARCSTJ250F0	PARCSTJ260F0	PARCSTJ270F0
CONTROLS	PARCTLJ24000	PARCTLJ25000	PARCTLJ26000	PARCTLJ27000

Additional parts can be found at www.portacoolparts.com

### **HOW TO REPLACE KUUL® EVAPORATIVE MEDIA**

### Step 1

Lock the casters to keep the evaporative cooler from moving while you are working. Remove the flap and KUUL evaporative media from the cooler. The flap is attached at the top of the evaporative cooler with screws. Remove the screws and set the flap aside.

### Step 2

All KUUL evaporative media must be removed before accessing the inside of the evaporative cooler housing. Remove the center piece of the evaporative media first by grasping at the top and tilting it out and away from the evaporative cooler. While tilting the KUUL evaporative media out, lift the piece up and out.

#### Step 3

Remove remaining media in the same manner. Set aside in a safe place to prevent damage while out of the cooler. Once all the media has been removed, you should have access to the inside of the evaporative cooler housing and internal components.







STEP 1 STEP 2

STEP 3



#### Q. WHAT ASSEMBLY IS REQUIRED?

A. None. Portacool Jetstream evaporative coolers are ready to use right out of the box.

Q. HOW DO I PREPARE MY EVAPORATIVE COOLER FOR STORAGE?
A. Drain the evaporative cooler, dry out the evaporative media, cover the evaporative cooler and store in a dry place.

### Q. I JUST RAN THE EVAPORATIVE COOLER FOR THE FIRST TIME AND THERE'S AN UNPLEASANT ODOR!

A. The KUUL® evaporative media, located in the back of your evaporative cooler, has never been wet before. The first time it is wet, the evaporative media will emit an odor that lasts approximately one to three weeks. Keep the evaporative cooler in an open area until the odor goes away or put a capful of laundry softener directly in the tank. After approximately two weeks of operation, the odor should disappear.

Q. MY EVAPORATIVE COOLER ISN'T PUTTING OUT ANY COOL AIR.
A. First, make sure the water source and electricity source are connected and working. Second, check to see if the KUUL evaporative media is damp. If not, adjust the water flow with the water adjustment valve. Third, make sure there is water in the tank. It should be allowed to fill before you turn the pump on.

Q. WHAT IS THE BEST ENVIRONMENT TO PRODUCE THE MOST COOL AIR? A. For optimum performance, the temperature should be  $85^{\circ}$  F or higher and the relative humidity should be below 75%. However, Portacool evaporative coolers will reduce the temperature in almost any environment, making it more pleasant.

### Q. HOW OFTEN DOES THE KUUL EVAPORATIVE MEDIA NEED TO BE REPLACED?

A. Depending on the quality of maintenance, water quality, and frequency of use, KUUL evaporative media typically lasts up to five years.

### Q. WHAT IS THE DIFFERENCE BETWEEN EVAPORATIVE COOLING AND MISTING SYSTEMS?

A. Misting systems spray a shower of water into the air that will collect on people, objects, equipment, floors, etc. Portacool evaporative coolers use the process of evaporation to produce cooler air, but do not produce a mist.

#### Q. WHERE CAN I BUY REPLACEMENT PARTS?

A. Replacement parts may be purchased online at www.portacoolparts.com or from any Portacool distributor.You may also contact Portacool Parts/Technical Support department for additional assistance.

#### Q. WHAT IS THE AMOUNT OF MOISTURE PRODUCED?

A. An increase in humidity of approximately two to five percent is produced, depending on the temperature and humidity of the environment. This increase is not noticeable in a ventilated area where the air produced by the cooler is exhausted.

#### Q. HOW LONG WILL THE WATER SUPPLY LAST IN THE TANK?

A. With no direct water source available, the water will evaporate in a filled tank within two to 10 hours of operation, depending on the water capacity of the evaporative cooler, ambient conditions, temperature and humidity. A water source for refilling the tank is recommended by the manufacturer.

#### Q. WHERE ARE THE MODEL AND SERIAL NUMBERS FOUND?

A. The model number can be found on a metal plate on the outside of the cooler. Model numbers begin with the letters "PAC." Serial numbers are all-digits.

#### Q. WHAT IF MY QUESTIONS AREN'T ANSWERED HERE?

A. Our Tech Support staff is available 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. Central Time, Monday though Friday at 1-888-COOL-AID or you can e-mail them at support@portacool.com.

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