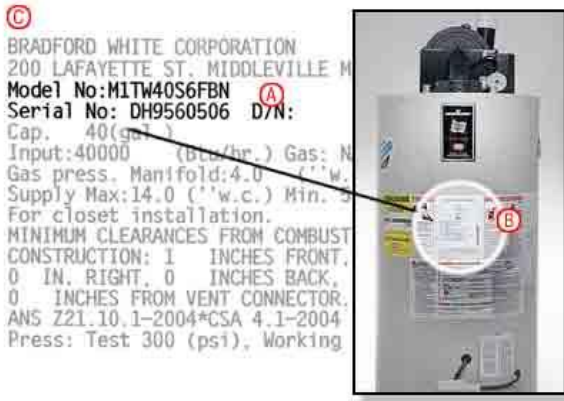




Find Your Model & Serial Number

The water heater's **model and serial numbers** (A) are located on the **Rating Plate** (B), an adhesive sticker located in the top center of the warning labels. The model and serial numbers are listed here directly beneath the Bradford White **manufacturing facility address** (C).



Determine the Age of Your Water Heater

EXAMPLE - Serial No: **BH**6511396 --> **B**=2005 & **H**=August

Bradford White uses a 20-year letter designation rotation in serial numbers. Therefore, water heaters manufactured 20 years apart will have the same serial number "letter year" designation (i.e. A = 2004 and 1984).

Year of Manufacture (1st Letter of Serial Number)	Month of Manufacture (2nd Letter of Serial Number)
A= 2004	A= January
B= 2005	B= February
C= 2006	C= March
D= 2007	D= April
E= 2008	E= May
F= 2009	F= June
G= 2010	G= July
H= 2011	H= August
J= 1992	J= September
K= 1993	K= October
L= 1994	L= November
M= 1995	M= December
N= 1996	
P= 1997	
S= 1998	
T= 1999	
W= 2000	
X= 2001	
Y= 2002	
Z= 2003	



The serial number on all Rheem water heating labels contain ten (10) digits. It follows the example below:

EXAMPLE – Serial No. 1209D01234

Serial Number	12	09	D	01234
Description	Month Manufactured	Year Manufactured	Plant Line Code	Consecutive Serial Number

Your warranty is based on the date of manufacture and the warranty code listed in the model number. To verify if your water heater is in warranty you can call 1-800-621-5622 and listen for the prompt to take you to warranty.

Sticker Location

Tank Type Water Heaters



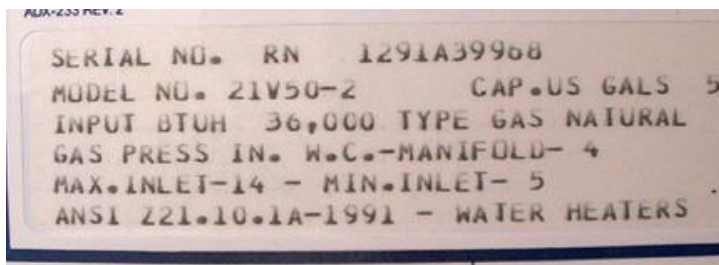
Tankless Water Heaters



Heat pump water heaters



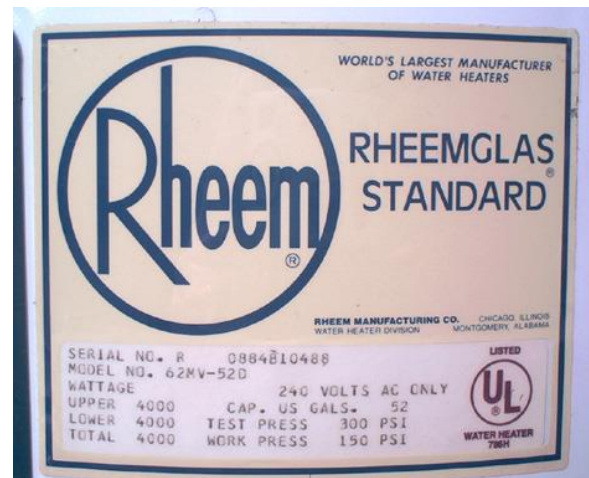
EXAMPLE: Model No. 21V50-2 Serial No. 1291A39968



Manufactured in December 1991, 50 gallons, 36000 BTU's per hour, set to work with Natural Gas only.

The picture below shows the entire Rheem plate.

EXAMPLE: Model No. 62MV-520 Serial No. 0884810488



Manufactured in August 1984, 50 gallon electric, equipped with 4000 watt elements.



General Electric® water heater serial numbers are written the same way as Rheem serial numbers. However, there are a few different styles of serial numbers for these tanks.

Serial number styles/formats found:

Style 1: 1108903259

First 2 digits indicate month of manufacture, second 2 digits indicate year of manufacture

Style 2: GE 09022246884

First 2 numbers indicate month of manufacture, second 2 numbers indicate year of manufacture

Style 3: GENG 0601D13586

First 2 numbers indicate month of manufacture, second 2 numbers indicate year of manufacture

Style 4: RN0197147899

First 2 numbers indicate month of manufacture, second 2 numbers indicate year of manufacture

Check your warranty: 1-800-626-2005

Giant



To verify your Giant water heater age and warranty status, you can call your local Giant water heater dealer. Find your local deal on the manufacturer website [here](#).

AO Smith



For AO Smith water heaters, including the brands National, Glascote, and Perma-Glas, the first 2 numbers in the serial number indicate the year of manufacture, and the second 2 numbers indicate the month of manufacture.

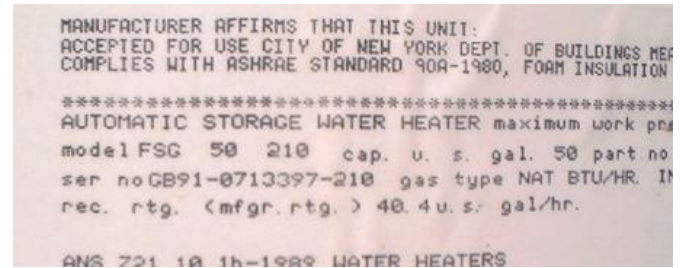
Example: Serial No. BG99-0813397-210 would have been built in year 99 (1999) in month 08 (August).

Check your warranty: 1-800-447-6575

It's a little harder to find the info on the AO SMITH plate.



AO SMITH puts year first (1991), and month second (07, or JULY).



American's puts year first, then the week the tank was built.

EXAMPLE: In the example below, the tank was made in the 17th week of 1998.

EXAMPLE: In the example below, the tank was made in the 50th week of 1999.



Manufacturer	Trade name	Where to look	How to decode	Example
American	ACE, American, American Hardware, America's Best, Apex, Aqua Temp, AquaTherm, Aquamatic, Best, Best Deluxe, Champion, Craftmaster, De-Limer, Deluxe, Eagle, The Earl's Energy Conservation Water Heater, The Earl's Energy Saver Plus, Envirotemp, Four Most, Hotmaster, Hotstream, King-Kleen, King-Line, Master Plumber, Nationaline, Neptune, Penquin, Premier Plus, Premier Plus Self Cleaning Prestige, ProLine and ProLine Plus, Quaker, Quick-Flo, Raywall, Revere, Riveria, Sands, Sentinal, Servi-Star, Shamrock, Special Deluxe, Standard, Super Eagle, Super-Flo, Supreme, Sure-Fire, Thoro-Clean, Tru-Test, Tru Value, U.S. Supply, Whirlpool, XCL Energy Saver	Serial # – 1 st 4 digits	Serial # – 1 st 4 digits	8906xxx = made in the 6 th week of the year 1989
A.O. Smith Water Products	National, A.O. Smith, Glascote, Perma-Glas	Serial # – 2nd, 3rd, 4th characters	2 nd position (letter) = month (A) Jan - (M) Dec 3 rd & 4 th position (numbers) = year	AJ89xxx = October (J) of 1989
Bradford-White	Bradford White, JetGlas	Serial # – 1 st 2 letters	1 st letter = year (A as 1984/2004) 2 nd letter = month w/ Jan (A) - Dec (M)	JMxxx = year 1992 (J) December (M)
GSW Water Heating	John Wood, GSW, Moffat, Superflue, Medal	Serial # – 1 st 4 digits	1 st & 2 nd number = year 3 rd & 4 th number = month	8901xxx = 1989 January
Marathon	Marathon	Serial # – 1 st 4 digits	1 st & 2 nd digit = month 3 rd & 4 th digit = year	0189xxx = January of 1989
Rheem	Aqua Therm, General Electric, Hotpoint, Professional, Rheem, Vanguard, Western Auto	Serial # – 1st 4 digits	1 st & 2 nd digit = month, 3 rd & 4 th digit = year	0189xxx = first month (Jan) in 1989
Richmond		Serial # – 1st 4 digits	1 st & 2 nd digit = month, 3 rd & 4 th digit = year	0189xxx = first month (Jan) in 1989
Ruud	Professional, Ruud	Serial # – 1st 4 digits	1 st & 2 nd digit = month, 3 rd & 4 th digit = year	0189xxx = first month (Jan) in 1989
State Industries	State	Serial # – 1st 3 characters	1 st letter = month (A) Jan - (M) Dec 2 nd & 3 rd position (numbers) = year	J89xxx = October of 1989
U.S. Craftsmaster	Ace, American Hardware, America's Best, Apex, Aqua Temp, Aqua Therm, Aquamatic, Best, Best Deluxe, Craftmaster, De-Limer, Deluxe, Eagle, The Earl's Energy Conservation Water Heater, The Earl's Energy Saver Plus, Envirotemp, Four Most, Hotmaster, Hotstream, King-Kleen, King-Line, Master Plumber, Nationaline, Neptune, Penquin, Prestige, Pro-Line, Pro-Line Plus, Quaker, Quick-Flo, Raywall, Revere, Riviera, Sands, Sentinal, Servistar, Shamrock, Special Deluxe, Standard, Supereagle, Super-Flo, Supreme, Sure-Fire, Thoro-Clean, True-Test, Tru Value, U.S. Craftmaster, U.S. Supply, Whirlpool, XCL Energy Saver	Serial # – 1st 4 digits	1st 2 digits = year 2nd 2 digits = week	8924xxx = made in 1989 on the 24 th week of the year