

# **LD Series**

# **Liquid Nitrogen Dewars**



# Safety

Before using any cryogenic refrigerator, read the Handle with Care booklet provided with the unit. It details safety precautions that must be understood before using the equipment. If a replacement booklet is needed, order publication Handle with Care from your supplier. Following are a few of the safety precautions described in the Handle with Care booklet. Please be sure to read the entire booklet.

**Store and use these containers only in well ventilated areas.** In a confined area, nitrogen gas from these units may cause suffocation by displacing air needed for breathing. Install a suitable oxygen monitor.

**Do not touch liquid or cold metal surfaces with your bare skin.** The liquid nitrogen refrigerant in these containers is **extremely cold:** -196°C (-320°F). Exposure of

skin or eyes to liquid, cold gas or frosted parts could result in a severe frostbite-like injury. Because of the extremely low temperature, a face shield and gloves must be worn when transferring liquid nitrogen and material into or out of these containers.

**Use only the necktube core supplied with this unit or a listed replacement part.** A tight fitting plug or stopper will cause a pressure increase in the container that may damage the container and/or cause personal injury.

Dispose of liquid nitrogen only in areas specifically designed for that purpose. Disposal of liquid nitrogen should be done outdoors in a safe place. Pour the liquid slowly on gravel or bare earth where it can evaporate without causing damage.

### **Operation**

**Filling:** Adding liquid nitrogen to a warm container may cause splashing and will generate a significant volume of nitrogen gas as cold liquid contacts warm Dewar surfaces. Add liquid slowly to minimize these effects. Be sure there is adequate ventilation. Keep your head clear of the heavy volume of vapor that may be produced. It is extremely cold and could cause personal injury.

#### **WARNING**

DO NOT OVERFILL. Over-filling may result in personal injury due to liquid spillage.

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# **Determining Liquid Level**

Liquid level must be checked at regular intervals – refrigeration depends on the presence of liquid nitrogen. The liquid level in the container can be determined with a dipstick. Insert the dipstick vertically into the container so that it rests on the canister indexing device on the bottom of the unit. After 5 to 10 seconds, withdraw the dipstick and wave it back and forth in the air. A frost line will form representing the depth of liquid in the container. The frost line will typically be u-shaped; read the bottom of the u-shaped line to determine liquid level.

#### **WARNING**

Never use a hollow rod or tube as a measuring rod. When a warm tube is inserted into liquid nitrogen, liquid will exit from the top of the tube and may cause personal injury.

The liquid level chart shows volume of liquid nitrogen vs. depth for LD Series Dewars. These values are approximate and are based on standard conditions.

MODEL	LITERS/INCH	LITERS/CM
LD4	0.40	0.16
LD5	0.43	0.17
LD10	0.76	0.30
LD25	1.56	0.62
LD35/LD50	2.67	1.05
CLASSIC-25	0.60	0.23

#### **Routine Care & Maintenance**

If ice-build up interferes with normal operation of the Dewar, the unit should be emptied and thawed. To thaw the unit, pour out the liquid, disposing of it out-of-doors where the cold liquid will not damage driveways and other surfaces. Warm the Dewar by purging it with air even after the Dewar has warmed to room temperature to evaporate any collected moisture. When the Dewar is ice-free and dry, rinse the inner vessel with household bleach. Wash the inner vessel with a 40 to 1 ratio of water to laundry detergent solution. Rinse and dry inside and out thoroughly before placing the Dewar back into service. Do not use sharp instruments to chip ice; permanent damage to the Dewar could result. DO NOT attempt to fasten any device to the Dewar. Welding, brazing, or piercing of the Dewar in any manner will cause permanent damage and void the limited warranty.

**Check liquid levels regularly.** If high evaporation rates are apparent under normal operating conditions, the Dewar may be losing its vacuum. Sweating and the formation of frost or ice on the outer casing are indications that the Dewar may be losing its vacuum. Sweating or freezing of the outside casing are definite indications that the insulation integrity may have been compromised.

If these conditions persist, contact your supplier or Worthington's Customer Service Department at 844-273-7517 / +1 614-438-7968 or e-mail us at customerservice@worthingtonindustries.com for information on how to conduct a normal evaporation rate (NER) test in the field.

### **Accessories**

The following accessories are available for LD Series Dewars:

ROLLER BASE	P/N	MODE	MODEL	
With ball bearing swivel casters to provide convenience and portability within a working area where frequent container movement is necessary or desirable.		LD25		
		CLASS	SIC-25	
		LD35,	, LD50	
LIQUID NITROGEN DIPPER	P/N	MODEL		
r dispensing small quantities of liquid nitrogen.  366744		All Units		
LIQUID LEVEL MEASURING ROD	P/N	MODEL		
Graduated in both inches and centimeters. This accessory is inserted into the cryogenic refrigerant to determine actual liquid level.	366784 All Units		nits	
TIPPING STAND	P/N MODEL		EL	
For dispensing liquid from the LD25. This easy-to-use stand supports the weight of the Dewar and allows convenient, safe pouring of liquid. Wheels add mobility and additional handling ease.	<b>366582</b> LD25			
LIQUID WITHDRAWAL DEVICE	P/N		MODEL	
For convenient pressure-transfer of liquid nitrogen from the LD25, LD35, and LD50 Dewar. Designed specifically for the LD Series Dewar, this accessory contains the appropriate	367457 (7psi)		LD25, LD35, LD50	
safety relief devices, pressure gauge, and means of refilling the Dewar with the Liquid Withdrawal Device installed.	366597 (10psi)		LD25, LD35, LD50	

REPLACEMENT PARTS										
DEWARS	LD4	5LD	LD10	CLASSIC-25	LD25	LD35	LD50			
Necktube Core	366554	366564	366569	366579	366588	366609	366609			

## **Ordering Information**

Order all replacement parts and accessories from your local distributor. Please include the model number of your Dewar, part number, quantity, and description of each part requested. For more information or to find the name of your local distributor, contact Worthington Industries at the phone number or email listed below.



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