

# **HOLMES HM1888**Owner's Manual

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## TROUBLESHOOTING - STORAGE FILTER ACCESSORIES

TROUBLE	PROBABLE CAUSE	SOLUTION
Unit does not turn on.	Water spilled in humidistat.	Drain water from base and allow unit to dry
	Circuit breaker has been tripped.	for 15 minutes. Check circuit breaker.
Mist output minimal to none.	Filter has not absorbed water.	Wait 15 minutes before starting humidifier.
	Mineral buildup in tray.	See Weekly Maintenance under Cleaning and Maintenance Instructions. Regular cleaning is recommended to keep the unit functioning properly.
	Humidistat is set too low.	Raise the level of humidity by adjusting the humidistat (see Operating Instructions).
	Filter needs to be replaced.	Replace your filter (HWF65) by calling 1-800-5-HOLMES, or visit www.holmesproducts.com.
Water leaks from tank.	Rubber tank ring is missing or improperly placed.	Remove tank cap then replace or reposition ring.
	Cap not tight enough.	Tighten the cap.
Filter turns brown.	The filter needs to be replaced.	Replace your filter (HWF65) by calling 1-800-5-HOLMES, or visit www.holmesproducts.com.
	Short filter life.	In areas with hard water the filter will need to be changed more frequently.
Film on water tank.	Mineral deposits cause film on tank to build up.	See Daily Maintenance under Cleaning and Maintenance instructions. Regular cleaning is recommended to keep the unit functioning properly. To order Cleanse Clean™ (S1710), call 1-800-5-HOLMES, or visit www.holmesproducts.com.
Water in tanks appears cloudy.	Filter needs to be replaced.	Replace your filter (HWF65) by calling 1-800-5-HOLMES, or visit www.holmesproducts.com.
	Water tank filled with warm water.	Use cool water to fill the water tank — and only use $\operatorname{Holmes}^{\otimes}$ care products recommended in this manual.
Unit cycles on/off.	Humidifier is reacting to room.	Set the 1Touch™ Electronic Humidistat to a higher or lower desired setting.
Very tight tank cap.	Tank cap over tightened.	Add liquid soap to cap gasket to ease opening.

## REPLACEMENT ACCESSORIES

To order the replacement accessories you can do any of the following:

- Fill out the accessory card found with the product
- Visit your local retailer
- Go to www.holmesproducts.com
- Call consumer service at 1-800-5-HOLMES

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#### SERVICE INSTRUCTIONS

- 1. DO NOT attempt to repair or adjust any electrical or mechanical functions of
- 2. If you need to exchange the unit, please return it in its original carton, with than 30 days after the date of purchase, please see the enclosed Warranty.
- 3. If you have any questions or comments regarding this unit's operation or b our website at www.holmesproducts.com.

THE HOLMES GROUP, INC. CONSUMER SERVICE DEPARTMENT 32B SPUR DRIVE EL PASO, TX 79906

For your own records, staple or attach your sales receipt to this manual. Also,

I OCATION:

DATE PURCHASED:

#### SIX (6) YEAR LIMITED WARRANTY **SAVE THIS \**

- A. This Warranty applies only to the original purchaser of this product.
- B. This Warranty applies ONLY to repair or replacement of any supplied or many personnel, is shown to have failed in normal use due to defects in material This Warranty does not apply to installation expenses.
- C. Operating this unit under conditions other than those recommended or at v unit, will render this WARRANTY VOID.
- D. Unless otherwise proscribed by law, The Holmes Group shall no damage of any kind (including water damage) resulting from mo
- E. All parts of this product excluding filters, which are covered under separate
  - 1. Within the first 30 days from date of purchase, the store from which you ship (provided the store has in-stock replacement.) If you intend to asse
- 2. Within the first seventy-two months from date of purchase, The Holmes to the conditions in paragraph G.
- F. If you have any other problem or claim in connection with this product, ple
- G. IMPORTANT RETURN INSTRUCTIONS. Your Warranty depends on your follow 1. Carefully pack the item in its original carton or other suitable box to avo
  - 2. Before packing your unit for return, be sure to enclose:

  - a) Your name, full address with zip code and telephone number b) A dated sales receipt or PROOF OF PURCHASE,
  - c) Your \$7.00 check for return shipping and handling, and
  - d) The model number of the unit and the problem you are having. (End
  - 3. The Holmes Group recommends you ship the package U.P.S. ground serv
  - 4. All shipping charges must be prepaid by you.
  - 5. Mark the outside of your package:

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This Warranty gives you specific legal rights, and you may have other rights w tion of, or subtraction from, the statutory warranties and other rights and rem sistent with any applicable law, such provision shall be deemed voided or amer

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## PLEASE READ AND SAVE THESE IMPORTANT **SAFETY INSTRUCTIONS**

When using electrical appliances, basic safety precautions should always be followed to reduce the risk of fire, electric shock, and injury to persons, including the

- Read all instructions before using the appliance.
- 2. To avoid fire or shock hazard, plug the appliance directly into a 120V AC electrical outlet.
- 3. Keep the cord out of heavy traffic areas. To avoid fire hazard, NEVER put the cord under rugs or near heat registers.
- 4. DO NOT place humidifier near heat sources such as stoves, radiators, and heaters. DO locate your humidifier on an inside wall near an electrical outlet. The humidifier should be at least 4" away from the wall for best
- 5. NEVER place humidifier in an area where it is accessible to children. NEVER use humidifier in a closed room, particularly where a child may be sleeping, resting, or playing (a closed room may result in excessive humidity).
- 6. WARNING: Do not attempt to refill humidifier without first unplugging the unit from its electrical outlet. Failure to heed this warning may cause personal injury. Be sure to unplug the unit by pulling on the plug and not the
- 7. Never place anything over moisture outlet when the unit is running.
- NEVER drop or insert any object into any openings. DO NOT place hands, face or body directly over or near Moisture Outlet while unit is in operation. DO NOT cover Moisture Outlet while the unit is operating.
- 9. DO NOT operate any appliance with a damaged cord or plug, after the appliance malfunctions, or if it has been dropped or damaged in any man-Return appliance to manufacturer for examination, electrical or mechanical adjustment, or repair.
- 10. Use appliance only for intended household use as described in this manual. Any other use not recommended by the manufacturer may cause fire, electric shock, or injury to persons. The use of attachments not recommended or sold the manufacturer may cause hazards.
- 11. DO NOT use outdoors.
- 12. Always place humidifier on a firm, flat, level surface. A waterproof mat or pad is recommended for use under the humidifier. NEVER place it on a rug or carpet, or on a finished floor that may be damaged by exposure to water or moisture.
- 13. DO NOT allow the Moisture Outlet to directly face the wall. Moisture could cause damage, particularly to wall paper.
- 14. Humidifier should be unplugged when not in use.
- 15. NEVER tilt, move, or attempt to empty unit while it is operating. Shut off and unplug before removing the water tank and moving the unit. If you have a warm mist humidifier, DO NOT attempt to remove the water tank within 15 minutes after the humidifier is turned off and unplugged. Serious injury may result.



THIS PRODUCT IS FOUIPPED WITH A POLARIZED AC (Alternatina Current) PLUG (a plug having one blade wider than the other). This plug will fit into the power outlet only one way. If the plug does not fit fully into the outlet, reverse the plug. If it still does not fit, contact qualified personnel to install the proper outlet.

DO NOT DEFEAT THE SAFETY PURPOSE OF THIS POLARIZED PLUG IN ANY WAY

- 16. This humidifier requires daily and weekly maintenance to operate appropriately. Refer to daily and weekly cleaning procedures. Use only cleaners and additives recommended by the manufacturer. Do not use gasoline, alass, furniture polish, paint thinner, or other household solvents to clean any part of the humidifier.
- 17. Excessive humidity in a room can cause water condensation on windows and some furniture. If this happens, turn the humidifier OFF.
- 18. Do not use humidifier in an area where humidity level is in excess of 50%. Use a hygrometer, available at your local retailer or through the manufacturer to measure the humidity.
- 19. DO NOT attempt to repair or adjust any electrical or mechanical functions on this unit. Doing so will void your warranty. The inside of the unit contains no user serviceable parts. All servicing should be performed by qualified personnel only
- 20. Never place housing under water flow, or immerse in liquids.
- 21. DO NOT plug in the cord with wet hands, electric shock could result.
- 22. DO NOT pour water in any openings other than the water tank.
- 23. If you have a warm mist humidifier, allow unit to cool before refilling water tank or maintenance as the heater bulb is hot.
- 24. To prevent damage to surfaces, do not place humidifier under overhanging
- 25. NEVER operate unit without water in the tank.
- 26. Do not move unit after it has been used until unit cools completely.
- 27. Use both hands when carrying full tank of water.

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#### Consumer Safety Information

**NOTE:** This is an electrical appliance and requires attention when in

NOTE: If moisture forms on the walls or windows of the room, turn off the humidifier. The room already has plenty of humidity and additional moisture may cause damage.

Do not block air inlet or outlet.

#### **Cord and Plug Installation Safety Instructions**

The length of cord used on this appliance was selected to reduce the hazards of becoming tangled in, or tripping over a longer cord. If a longer cord is necessary an approved extension cord may be used. The electrical rating of the extension cord must be equal to or greater than the rating of the humidifier. Care must be taken to arrange the extension cord so that it will not drape over the countertop or tabletop where it can be pulled on by children or accidentally tripped over.

## FEATURES

### **HOW COOL MIST WORKS**

Your Holmes Cool Mist humidifier draws dry air through the intake grill area. This air is then passed through a moistur wick filter, which retains the minerals and deposits in the wo resulting moist air is directed back into the room from the top

NOTE: This humidification system provides a cool, invisible r output. It is normal not to see the mist.

NOTE: A humidity level below 20% can be unhealthy and und able. The recommended humidity level is between 40%-50%

#### PRE-OPERATING INSTRUCTIONS

- 1. Push the 1Touch™ button for 2 seconds to turn the unit disconnect from the electrical outlet.
- Select a location for your humidifier, on a flat surface, a gway from the wall. Do not place your humidifier on furi floor location that will not be damaged by moisture is bes
- 3. Remove the water tank by holding the tank handle an straight upward (see figure 2).
- Remove the main housing by lifting straight upward. Chec that the wick filter is propérly in place. Replace the hu housing.

#### FILLING THE WATER TANK

NOTE: This humidifier holds about 2.25 gallons of water in and humidifier base. The humidifier will produce up to 4 go moisture over a 24-Hour period, depending on the room humi

- Push the 1Touch™ button for 2 seconds to turn the unit disconnect from the electrical outlet.
- Remove the tank from the base by holding the handle an straight up (see figure 2).
- Twist off the tank cap located on the bottom of the tank ing counter clockwise and fill the water tank with cool, fres

## Do not fill with warm water as this may cause leaki

- After filling the tank, replace the tank cap by firmly turnir wise and then replace the water tank on the base. The t immediately begin to empty into the base.
  - Plug the power cord into a 120V AC electrical outlet.

