

# **NOVA RAPIDWASHER**

## **INSTRUCTIONS**

With the introduction of the new RA4 printing process, it became necessary to develop a washer that was not only as efficient as all previous Nova washers, but also able to handle the washing of more prints at any one time.

The RApidwasher is the answer! Its two slot design ensures that there is always a washing slot available as the prints emerge from your Nova Processor. Its vertical construction allows it to occupy very little space and although its water capacity is very small, its efficiency in changing the water quickly enables it to wash prints thoroughly in the shortest possible times.

The unit not only washes prints thoroughly with warm water but also, with slight extension of the wash time, can wash prints in cold water straight from your tap without fear of reticulation. All in all, this unit will enable you to wash your treasured prints with confidence. It is maintenance free and, if used correctly, will give years of satisfaction.

### **UNPACKING**

When unpacking the washer for the first time you will find the print clip attached to the side of the unit. Remove the washer from its box taking care not to knock the inlet pipe or tap.

### **INSTALLATION**

1) Stand the new unit on a bench with the small tap facing you if possible. If the unit is to be used in conjunction with a Nova Processor then the base should protrude to the left-hand side and will slide under the processor so as to limit the gap between the two.

2) Once in position, you can then proceed to connect the inlet pipe to the unit. Obtain a length of flexible hose with an inside diameter of 12 mm (1/2") and gently ease this over the short piece of existing black rubber pipe at the rear base of the unit. This should be a tight fit but can be secured with a jubilee clip if necessary. The other end of the hose can then be connected to your water supply.

**NOTE:-** If you have purchased a NOVA Washer Inlet Kit (Code No- ANVIK) then follow stage 2 but remove the existing piece of rubber pipe from the washer before fitting.

3) The water outlet is via the 25mm (1") diameter clear perspex tube situated at the top rear of the unit. The fittings required are available from most plumbers` merchants or D.I.Y. Stores and are similar to washing machine pipes and fittings or use the NOVA Universal Outlet Kit (Code No- ANUOK) which is designed to fit 25mm outlets only. Attach the necessary length of pipe and fittings to reach the nearest suitable drain.

**NOTE:-** It is possible to stand the unit in a sink or on a draining board, in which case no outlet fittings are required.

## **IN OPERATION**

Turn on your water supply and it will flow in a circular pattern upto the outlet. It may be necessary to use your input supply tap to restrict the flow of water dependent upon the pressure of your mains supply. Check for any leaks around the inlet / outlet pipes and all joints along the waste pipe.

Attach the print to be washed to the Nova Print Clip (supplied), lower it gently into the washer ensuring that the emulsion side of the print is facing a textured surface and leave for the appropriate time as listed in the wash time chart below.

When two full size prints are being washed simultaneously in the separate slots, it is necessary to offset the position the print clips so that they do not touch each other.

## **APPROXIMATE WASHING TIMES**

<u>Papers</u>	<u>Resin Coated Papers</u>	<u>Fibre Based</u>
Cold Water (20°C or less)	6 minutes	60 minutes
Warm Water (21°C or higher)	3 minutes	45 minutes

**NOTE:-** The washing of prints suspended back to back is not recommended.

When you have finished washing your prints, just turn off the supply tap. The washer will remain full of water but this can be removed by way of the small drain tap at the base of the unit.

*Should you experience any problems in setting up or using this equipment, we would be only too pleased to offer assistance.*

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