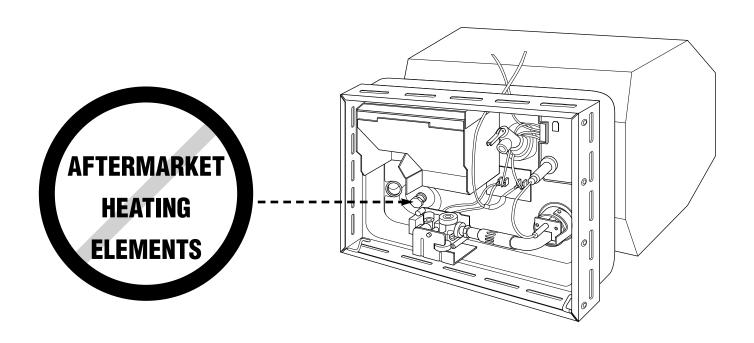


## INFORMATION NOTICE

## **AFTERMARKET HEATING ELEMENTS**

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# ANY ALTERATION TO AN ATWOOD WATER HEATER WILL VOID WARRANTY

- THIS INCLUDES USING AFTERMARKET HEATING ELEMENT DEVICES -

### WARNING EXPLOSION / BURN INJURY

- ¥ Aftermarket heating elements can lack critical safety controls.
- ¥ Use of these devices can lead to an out of control heating of water tank and a catastrophic wet side explosion.

The use of manufacturer's aftermarket heating element devices may also result in damage to components or water heater. Atwood written warranty states - dailure or damage resulting from any alteration to our water heater is the owner responsibility O Any alteration, like the addition of an aftermarket heating element device, will void the warranty.

#### AFTERMARKET HEATING ELEMENTS

Temperatures produced by these heating elements can exceed the 180ßF. limit of the ECO on pilot model gas control valves. This gas control valve contains a one-shot ECO. When this ECO blows, the control is completely non-functional and must be replaced. **This will be a non-warrantable situation.** 

When Aftermarket heating elements are inserted into the drain plug, customers are more prone not to flush their tanks. Not flushing the tank accelerates tank corrosion on both our pilot and electronic ignition water heaters creating a situation where the tank may have to be replaced. **This will be a non-warrantable situation.** 

If you have any questions, please contact the Atwood Service Department at 1-800-825-4328.