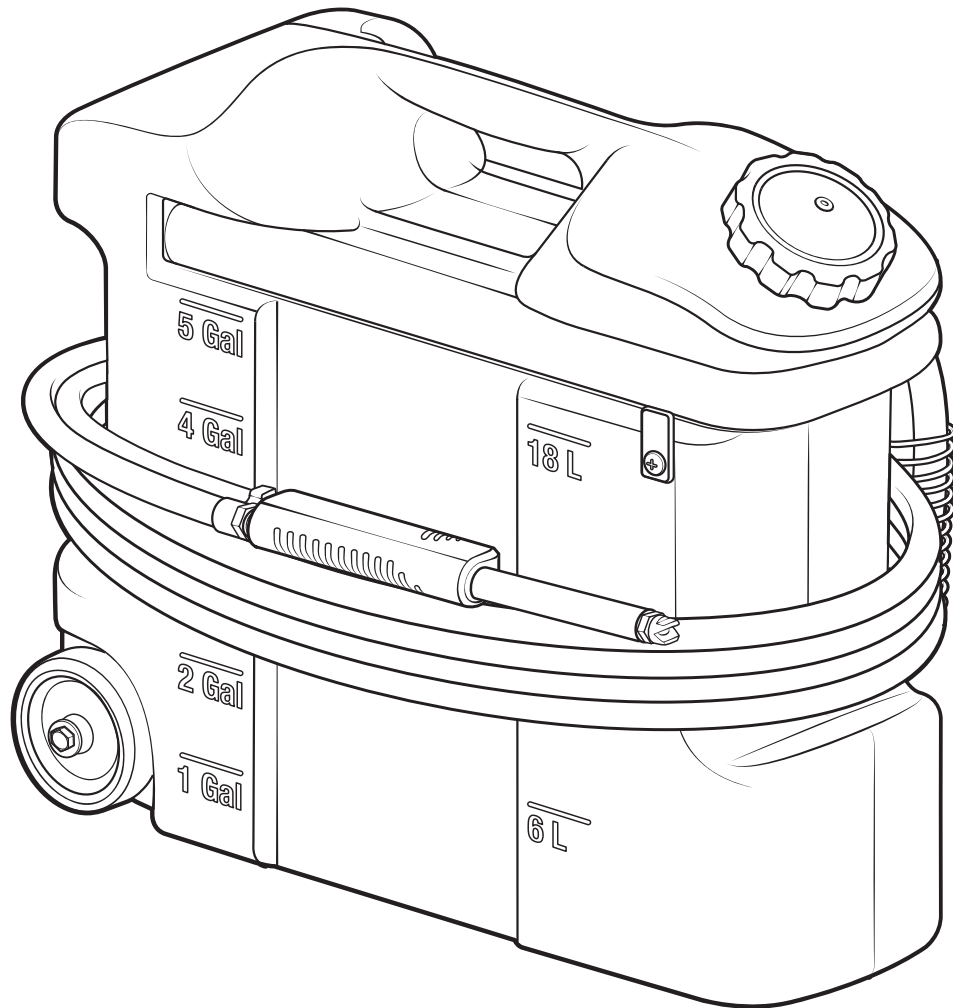


# 5 Gallon Smart Foam Unit

## Operation Manual

FI-5N-SM

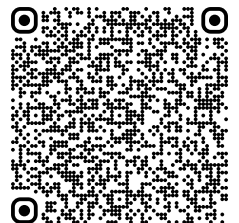


READ ALL INSTRUCTIONS BEFORE USING OR  
SERVICING THIS UNIT. KEEP THIS MANUAL IN A  
LOCATION THAT IS READILY AVAILABLE TO USERS  
AND SERVICE TECHNICIANS.

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# Safety

## **WARNING**

PEOPLE OR OBJECTS CAN BE HURT OR DAMAGED IF THIS UNIT IS NOT USED CORRECTLY!



Failure to read all the instructions before operating the unit may result in personal injury or death from the improper use or the chemical solution. Anyone handling, operating or using the unit must read and understand the instructions in the manual. The buyer assumes all responsibility for safety and proper use in accordance with the instructions.



Using or servicing the unit without appropriate personal protective equipment (PPE) may result in serious injury such as burns, rashes, eye, throat or lung damage and death. Always wear PPE as indicated in the Safety Data Sheet (SDS) when using or servicing the unit. Protect eyes, skin, and lungs against drifting spray.



Chemical solutions may pose a health risk and death if they contact the skin or eyes, are inhaled or swallowed. Always read and follow all chemical safety precautions and handling instructions provided by the chemical manufacturer and the SDS associated with the chemical solution before using the unit.



Pressure within the equipment may cause an unexpected release of the chemical solution and cause serious injury such as burns, rashes, eye damage, throat or lung damage and death. Always depressurize and clean the unit after each use.

Always keep the air trigger port clean and free of blockages or debris. If the port becomes dirty or blocked, disconnect the compressed air source from the unit immediately and clean out the port before proceeding.

Using the unit with fluid temperatures above 100°F (37.8°C) may result in scalding, burns, serious injury or death. DO NOT use a solution with a temperature above 100°F (37.8°C).

Operating the unit when damaged or leaking may result in exposure to chemical solutions, serious injury or death. Never use the unit if it is damaged or leaking.

Never point the discharge wand at yourself, another person, or any object you do not want covered in chemical.



Using incoming air pressure exceeding 100 psi (6.9 bar) may result in pressure buildup, explosion, serious injury or death. DO NOT exceed 100 psi (6.9 bar) incoming air pressure when operating the unit.

Use of hydrocarbons and flammable products may result in explosions, fire and serious injury or death. Never use hydrocarbons or flammable products with the unit.



Mixing an alkaline with an acid may result in a chemical reaction. Overheating of the mixture may cause it to splatter caustic compounds or release hazardous fumes, gas and vapors. Always flush the unit with fresh water thoroughly when switching from an alkaline to an acid or an acid to an alkaline.

## NOTICE

Servicing or modifying this unit with parts not listed in this manual may cause the unit to operate improperly. Do not use unauthorized parts when servicing the unit.

Use of an air lubricator before the unit may result in diminished performance and damage to the unit. Do not use an air lubricator before the unit.

Moisture in the air lines will damage the pump and diminish the pump life. The air must be filtered, clean, dry and free of moisture. If needed, install an air dryer before the unit.

## PROTECT THE ENVIRONMENT



Please dispose of packaging materials, old machine components, and hazardous fluids in an environmentally safe way according to local waste disposal regulations

# Product Overview

## Requirements

Compressed air requirements	40-80 psi (2.8-5.5 bar) with 5-10 CFM (141.6-283.2 l/min)
Liquid temperature range	40-100°F (4.4-37.8°C)
Chemical compatibility	Chemical products used with this equipment must be formulated for this type of application and compatible with unit materials and pump seals. For more information on chemical compatibility, consult the manufacturer or SDS for your product or contact our customer service department.

## Specifications

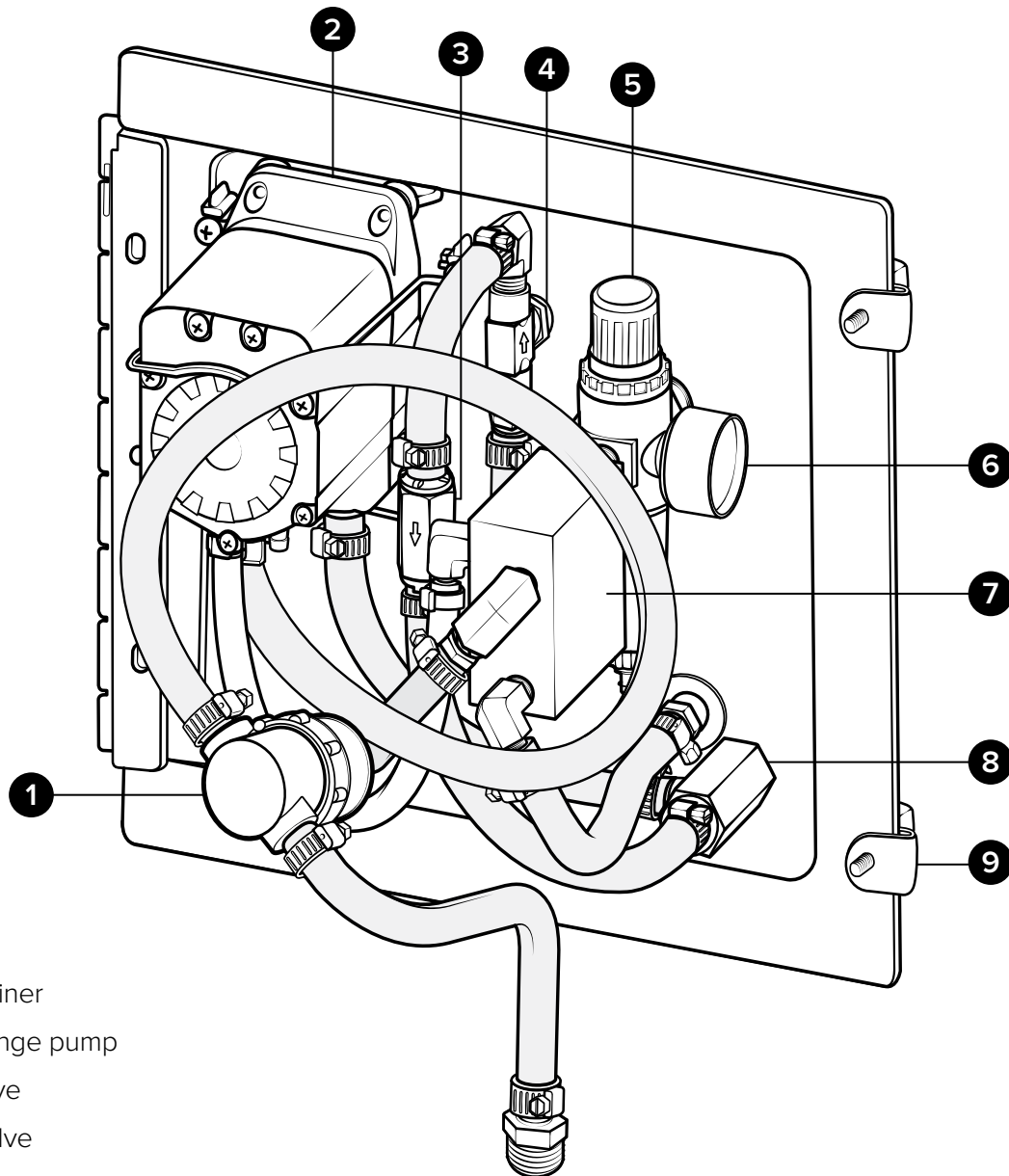
Power type	Compressed air
Chemical pickup type	Draws from pre-mixed solution
Number of products unit can draw from	One product
Suction line diameter	3/8 in. (9.5 mm) inside diameter
Capacity	5 gallons (18.9 liters)
Discharge line length/diameter	20 ft. (6.1 m) bonded hose, with 5/8 in. (15.9 mm) and 1/4 in. (6.4 mm) inside diameter
Discharge wand/tip type	Ultra high molecular weight (UHMW) polyethylene handle and wand extension, with 65° fan tip and built-in zero tip
Output distance	8-12 feet (2.4-3.7 m)
Output volume	20-32 gal/min (75.7-121.1 l/min)
Flow rate*	2 gal/min (7.6 l/min)
Pump seals	Santoprene, Viton, or Kalrez
Wheel type	Two 4 inch (10.2 cm) non-marking wheels

\*Flow rates given are based on chemical with viscosity of water and factory air pressure settings.

# Product Components

Get to know the FI-5N-SM components that you will need to use, adjust or assemble.

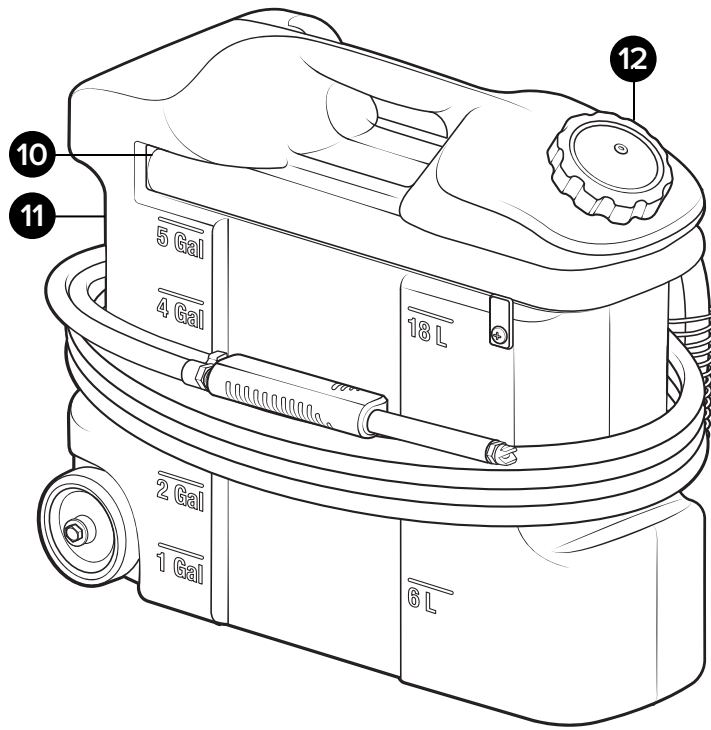
## Back plate assembly • Inside view



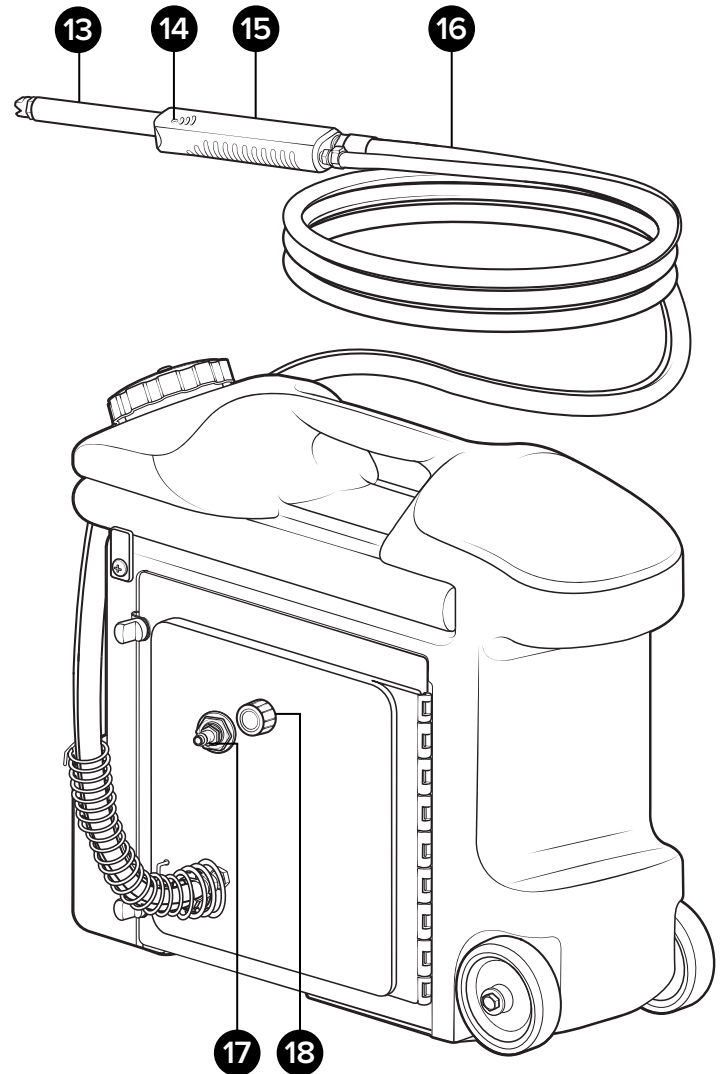
1. In-line strainer
2. Quick-change pump
3. Check valve
4. Needle valve
5. Air regulator
6. Air pressure gauge
7. Valve block
8. Tee assembly
9. Back plate thumb nuts

# Tank Assembly

Front view



Back view



- 10. Handle
- 11. Solution tank
- 12. Cap
- 13. Discharge wand
- 14. Air trigger port
- 15. Smart handle
- 16. Bonded discharge hose
- 17. Needle valve
- 18. Air fitting

# Using your unit

## Operating Instructions

1. Following all instructions from the chemical manufacturer, fill solution tank with pre-mixed solution. Verify cap is securely tightened.
2. Ensure air trigger port is clean and free of any blockages or debris. Then, with the discharge wand pointed in a safe direction, connect an air line to the air inlet fitting.

**Note:** Listen to the unit when connecting an air line. If the pump activates and cycles, **disconnect air line immediately**. This indicates a blockage or problem causing the unit to activate. The issue must be resolved before proceeding.

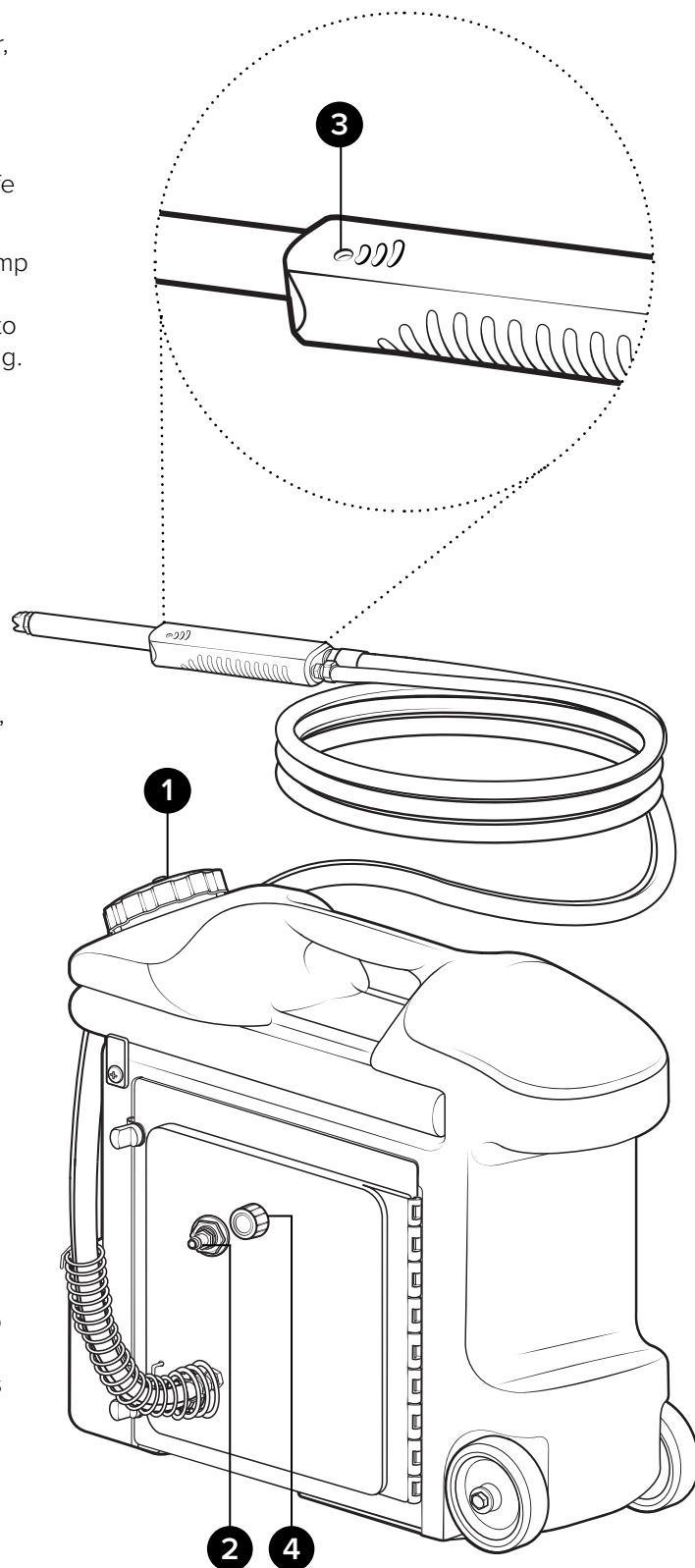
3. Place thumb over air trigger port to activate the unit.
4. While the unit is running and discharging product, adjust the needle valve to regulate the wetness or dryness of the foam following the steps below:
  - a. Close the needle valve completely in a clockwise direction.
  - b. Open needle valve in a counter-clockwise direction 3 complete turns.
  - c. Continue to open needle valve in ¼ turn increments, allowing 30 seconds between adjustments, until desired consistency of foam is achieved.
5. Remove thumb from the air trigger port to stop foaming.

**Note:** When the air trigger port is released, the unit will shut off and depressurize. Foam already in the discharge hose may seep out, but no more foam will be created until you cover the air trigger port again.

## After Use Instructions

**Note:** For proper handling and disposal procedures refer to the chemical SDS.

6. Solution should be removed from unit after each use. This can be done in two ways:
  - a. Unthread cap from top of tank and drain solution into an approved location.
  - b. Place discharge wand into an approved container to transfer remaining solution. Turn the needle valve to the wet setting and activate unit until all solution has been flushed from the system.
7. After solution has been removed, disconnect the air line from the air fitting.
8. Allow any liquid remaining in the discharge hose to drain out through the discharge wand before storing the unit.
9. Before using unit with another chemistry, thoroughly flush with water.



# Maintenance

## WARNING

Performing any maintenance with the unit pressurized, and connected to the air supply may result in serious injury or death. Always ensure that the unit has been depressurized, and disconnected from the air supply before conducting any maintenance. Servicing or modifying this unit with parts not listed in this manual may cause the unit to operate improperly. Do not use unauthorized parts when servicing the unit.

## Maintaining Your Unit

To keep your unit operating properly, periodically perform the following maintenance procedures:

- Inspect the pump for wear and leaks.
  - Inspect all hoses for leaks or excessive wear. Make sure all hose clamps are in good condition and properly secured.
  - Replace the filter located within the air regulator as needed. Clean by unthreading the air regulator bowl from the air regulator.
  - Check the suction line and strainer for debris. Clean as needed.
  - Drain your air compressor tank on a regular basis to help extend pump life. An air source with a high moisture content will accelerate pump wear.
- Note:** If your air source has a high moisture content, install a water separator to the air fitting on the backplate.

## Servicing Your Unit

To service your unit, refer to the service manual which includes:

- Troubleshooting procedures.
- Detailed parts breakdowns and illustrations.
- Part numbers of serviceable components and assemblies.



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