

SINGLE AND DUAL REMOTE CONDENSING UNITS INSTALLATION & OPERATION ADDENDUM





SCOPE

This manual explains how to install and configure your FBD Dispenser and Remote Condenser Unit. The manual is not intended to provide complete installation instructions; installation of a remote condenser requires special knowledge of HVAC best practices, local codes, and federal regulations. The installation must be completed by a certified contractor who is properly licensed in your municipality to conduct construction and HVAC work. Additionally, FBD recommends that the contractor have HVAC training from a regulating body, such as ASHRAE (American Society of Heating, Refrigeration, and Air-Conditioning Engineers) or RSES (Refrigeration Service Engineers Society).

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1. SAFETY

1.1 Electrical

This equipment must be properly electrically grounded to avoid possible fatal electrical shock or serious injury. Only qualified electricians should perform any electrical tasks associated with the installation of this equipment and the work performed should meet all applicable codes.

Always disconnect or lockout electrical power to the condenser before installation or maintenance to prevent personal injury. Only qualified personnel should service internal components or electrical wiring.

1.2 General Precautions

This equipment, depending on the model, weighs up to 143 pounds (65kilograms). To avoid personal injury or equipment damage the use of a mechanical lift is highly recommended. When lifting and positioning the equipment, it should always stay in an upright position. Wear personal protective equipment to protect against hazards caused by the high temperatures and pressures found in refrigeration systems.

FBD recommends reading the entire manual before installation or service. Follow all local codes or regulations, even if the instructions in this manual differ from those local codes or regulations. Check with local authorities to ensure all special licenses and permits are met and that all personnel have necessary credentials and work permits.

2. RECEIVING

Each remote condenser (RC) is tested and thoroughly inspected before shipment. At the time of shipment, the carrier accepts the unit; any claim for damages must be made with the carrier. Carefully inspect the unit for damage upon delivery from the carrier. If damage is present, ensure the carrier notes the damage on the bill of lading, then file a claim with the carrier.



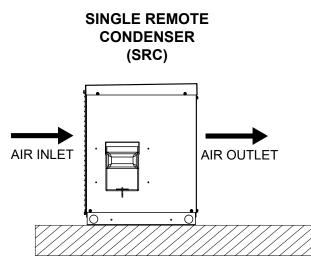


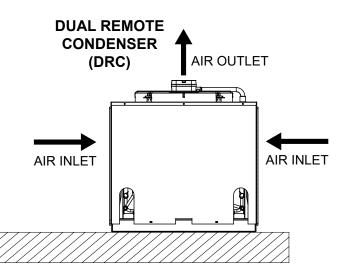
3. SPECIFICATIONS

3.1 Electrical Requirements

FBD P/N	Condenser Configuration Operational Voltage		Current
12-3003-0031	Single	230 VAC ± 10%	15 A
12-3003-0030	Dual	230 VAC ± 10%	15 A

3.2 Airflow Direction



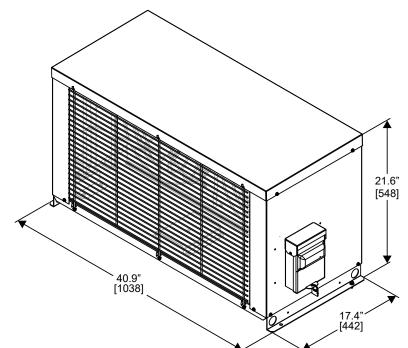


3.4 Dimension and Weight Specifications

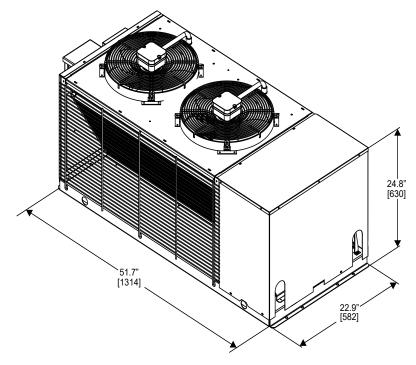
FBD P/N	Condenser Configuration	Length	Width	Height	Operational Weight	Shipping Weight
12-3003-0031	Single	40.9 in. (1,039 mm)	17.4 in. (442mm)	21.6 in. (549mm)	105 lbs (48 kg)	135 lbs (61 kg)
12-3003-0030	Dual	51.7 in. (1,314 mm)	22.9 in. (582 mm)	24.8 in. (630 mm)	143 lbs (65 kg)	190 lbs (86 kg)



Single Remote Condenser (SRC)



Dual Remote Condenser (DRC)





4. INSTALL KIT CONTENTS AND REQUIRED TOOLS

4.1 Kit Contents

FBD offers installation kits with either a 50-foot or a 100-foot line-set. SRC units have one line set; DRC units can have two line-sets.

Installation Kit, 50' Line-Set						
Part Number	Quantity					
12-3006-0001	Remote Signal Fan Harness	1				
22-2451-0002	3/8" x 5/8" Copper Line-Set, 50'	1				
22-2020-0003	3/8" Copper Elbow, Long	1				
22-2020-0002	5/8" Copper Elbow, Close	1				
18-2329-0001	12" Strut Channel	1				
18-2328-0001	3/8" Strut Mount Clamp	1				
18-2328-0002	5/8" Strut Mount Clamp	1				
12-2994-0002	3/8" Metal Flex Line with Foam	1				
12-2995-0002	5/8" Metal Flex Line with Foam	1				
24-M4RC-0001	Install Addendum: RC Units	1				

Installation Kit, 100' Line-Set					
Part Number	Quantity				
12-3006-0001	Remote Signal Fan Harness	1			
22-2451-0006	3/8" x 5/8" Copper Line-Set, 100'	1			
22-2020-0003	3/8" Copper Elbow, Long	1			
22-2020-0002	5/8" Copper Elbow, Close	1			
18-2329-0001	12" Strut Channel	1			
18-2328-0001	3/8" Strut Mount Clamp	1			
18-2328-0002	5/8" Strut Mount Clamp	1			
12-2994-0002	3/8" Metal Flex Line with Foam	1			
12-2995-0002	5/8" Metal Flex Line with Foam	1			
24-M4RC-0001	Install Addendum: RC Units	1			

4.2 Contractor-Supplied Parts and Equipment

- R-448A or R-404A refrigerant (see Section 5.5.1 for charge amounts)
- Wall-mounted junction box with strain relief
- Minimum 16 AWG copper conductor wire (required to connect dispenser to condenser fans)
- Mounting hardware (for junction box, brackets, etc.)



4.3 Line-Set and Conduit Installation Guidelines

FBD recommends installing conduit or refrigeration line-sets before drywall and insulation to minimize disruption at the site and to ensure all refrigeration lines are secure. All copper refrigeration lines must stay sealed and pressurized after installation. If a different line-set is used, instead of one the provided in the kit, it must be an "ACR" type copper tube. Line-set installation must follow refrigeration best-practices and comply with all local codes and regulations.

5. INSTALLATION

5.1 Remote Condenser Placement

Determine where the RC unit will be placed before beginning installation. The unit requires steady air flow to function properly; **Figure 5.1** illustrates the airflow requirements for SRC and DRC units. Additionally, the unit must be mounted on a level and supportive base.

Note: Do not install the unit in an enclosure, pit, or in a location where water run-off will pour directly onto the unit.

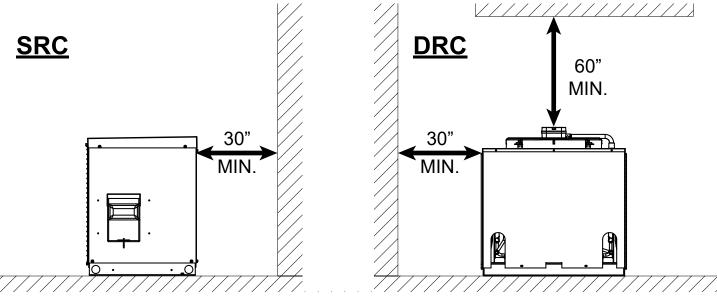


Figure 5.1 Space Requirements for Adequate Airflow

The air intakes for both SRC and DRC units must be at least 30 in. away from a wall or other obstruction. Because DRC units discharge air through the top, ensure that there is 60 in. of clearance above the unit. Overhead obstructions can cause discharged air to recirculate back into the condenser; this will strain the DRC unit and decrease the capacity of the connected dispenser.

Do not mount RC units so the exhaust from one unit blows into the inlet if another unit. If two units are placed next to each other, allow 60 in. of clearance between the air intakes (see **Figure 5.2**).

Do not install an RC unit near an appliance that produces heat or discharges hot air (like a rooftop vent; see **Figure 5.3**). Hot air entering the condenser will strain the RC unit and decrease the capacity of the connected dispenser.



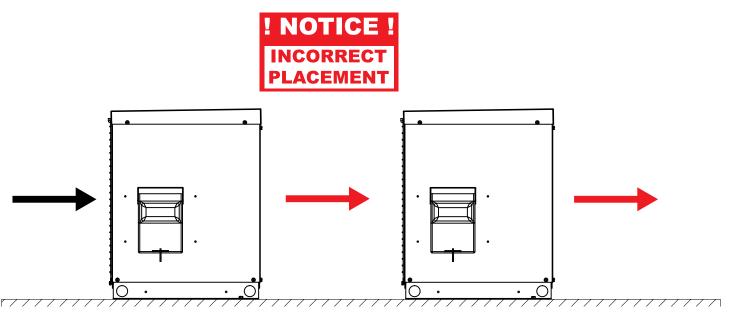


Figure 5.2 Incorrect Placement of Multiple RC Units

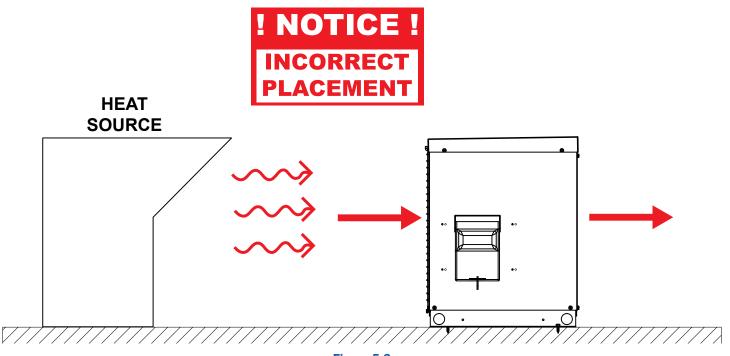


Figure 5.3 Do Not Place RC Units Near Heat Sources or Exhausts



5.2 Copper Installation Information

Compressor discharge lines from the dispenser must utilize oil traps to prevent oil from collecting at the discharge port of the compressor during off cycles (see **Figure 5.4**). All installations require one oil trap 6 feet above the dispenser and another level with the condenser. One oil trap should be installed for every additional 30 feet of vertical rise; all additional oil traps should be evenly spaced. Oil traps should be installed with the tightest possible bends (preferably with 90° elbows).

FBD recommends installing a ball valve so refrigerant in the system can be held the in RC unit during dispenser service.

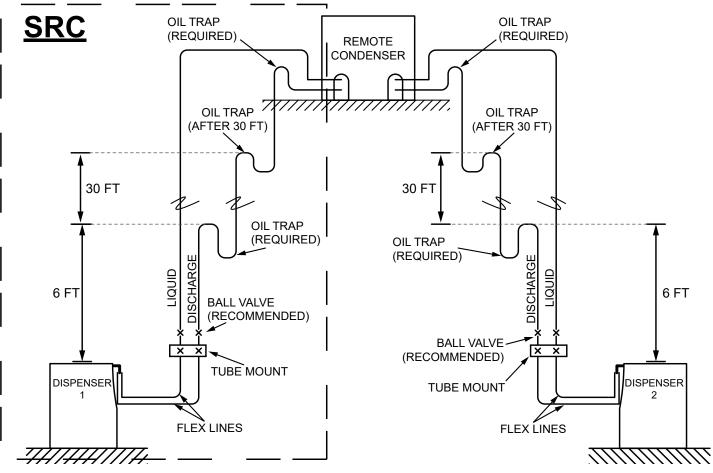


Figure 5.4



Refrigerant lines must be secured with Unistrut and tube clamps (see **Figure 5.5**).

5.3 Braze Information

The brazing process may involve connecting two different kinds of metal, like copper to brass. This kind of brazing requires a high silver (Ag) brazing alloy (minimum 15% Ag) and proper brazing flux. A minimum of 5% Ag is recommended for copper-to-copper brazes. Wrap the joints of the copper flex lines in a wet rag or heat shield to protect them from overheating.

Before brazing, all copper line-sets must be purged with a minimum of 10 SCFM of Nitrogen (N_2) for at least 60 seconds. While brazing, ensure N_2 is flowing at a rate of 2-4 SCFM. N_2 prevents oxide from building up on the copper's inner surface and

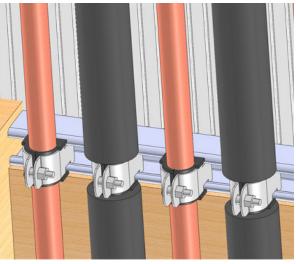


Figure 5.5

must be used during all braze operations. If N₂ is not used as a shield gas, oxide buildup will clog the valves and filter driers and void FBD warranty coverage.

Note: Do not attempt to braze a system that is under vacuum. Properly evacuate the unit then purge with N_2 at the recommended flow rates.

5.4 System Evacuation

Always perform an equipment check, verify the condition of the system's components (O-rings, seals, copper lines, and hoses), and execute a pressurized leak test with N_2 before evacuating the system. System evacuation is critical to the longevity of the RC unit and the dispenser(s) connected to it.

Evacuation is performed at the dispenser and requires tools listed in Section 4.2. The procedure is listed below.

- 1 Slowly vent the N₂ used in the leak check until there is approximately 1-2 PSIG remaining in the system.
- 2 Connect the valve core removal tools to the access valves.
- 3 Connect a vacuum gauge to the valve core removal tool side port.
- 4 Remove the valve cores with the valve core removal tool; leave the ball valve on charge hose closed after core removal.

Connect vacuum hoses and tee connection directly to the vacuum pump and the valve core removal tool (or manifold gauge set if you do not have vacuum hoses; ensure manifold gauge set is fully open).

- 5 **Note:** Use vacuum-rated components to significantly reduce vacuum times. If using a manifold gauge set, remove all obstructions, such as valve core depressors, from the hoses to decrease vacuum time.
- 6 Ensure the vacuum pump is supplied with have fresh oil. Old/used oil will increase the amount of time required to pull a proper vacuum.
- 7 Isolate the vacuum pump and hoses from the system by closing the valve core removal ball valves
- 8 Start the vacuum pump. Check that the hoses and fittings sealing.



9	Remove the solenoid from the defrost valve on Barrel 1 and attach the solenoid magnet.
10	If fittings are sealing, open the valve core removal tools and allow the system to pull a vacuum to approximately 1000 microns.
11	Once the system reaches 1000 microns, isolate the system from the vacuum pump (leave the pump running) with the valve-core-removal-tool ball valves. Monitor vacuum gauge level after the pump is stopped. If the level rises a small amount, there may be dissolved refrigerant in the compressor oil or additional air and moisture in the system. Moisture can be removed by slowly purging the system with N_2 . If the micron level continues to rise, there is a leak in the system. Check all hoses and repair any leaks.
12	Open the valve-core-removal-tool ball valves and proceed to pull a vacuum to 500 microns. Repeat the rise test a second time.
13	Perform a rate-of-rise test by isolating the system from the vacuum pump for a period of 15 minutes. If the system does not rise above 500 microns in that time frame, the system has been sufficiently evacuated and is ready for charge. If the level rises, repeat vacuum process until the system passes the test.
14	Pull a vacuum to approximately 150 microns.
15	Close the ball valves on the valve core removal tool, turn off the vacuum pump, remove hoses and prepare to charge the unit.

5.5 Refrigerant Charge Recommendations

The refrigeration system must be charged into the remote condenser's receiver. An RC unit may have either of the receivers shown in **Figures 5.6** and **5.7**.

NOTE: Do not charge the system with liquid refrigerant at the dispenser; this action can damage the dispensers and will void the warranty.





Figure 5.6 14 lb Receiver

Figure 5.7 6 lb Receiver

FBD's RC units and dispensers use R-448A or R-404A refrigerant; **never vapor charge refrigeration systems that use R-448A or R-404A refrigerant.** Vapor charging can disrupt the balance of refrigerant in the blend and render the refrigerant unusable (a process called fractionation).





The tables in **Section 5.5.1** provide the correct charge amount for the refrigeration system. Before charging the system, check the dispenser and RC unit nameplate labels to verify the refrigerant and the correct charge.

- 1 Connect charging hose to the receiver in the remote condensing unit.
- 2 Weigh refrigerant tank and record the weight.
- 3 Charge unit with liquid refrigerant.
- 4 Verify charge by weighing the tank. Double check that the maximum charge amount was not exceeded.

5.5.1 Refrigerant Charge Tables

R448-A Charge Table (6Lb Receiver)				R448	-A Charge Tab	le (14Lb Recei	ver)
Length of 3/8 Line (Ft)	Charge Amount	Length of 3/8 Line	Charge Amount	Length of 3/8 Line (Ft)	Charge Amount	Length of 3/8 Line	Charge Amount
10	4lbs 11oz	56	6lbs 6oz	10	10lbs 6oz	56	11lbs 16oz
12	4lbs 13oz	58	6lbs 7oz	12	10lbs 7oz	58	12lbs 1oz
14	4lbs 14oz	60	6lbs 8oz	14	10lbs 8oz	60	12lbs 2oz
16	4lbs 15oz	62	6lbs 9oz	16	10lbs 9oz	62	12lbs 4oz
18	4lbs 16oz	64	6lbs 10oz	18	10lbs 10oz	64	12lbs 5oz
20	5lbs 1oz	66	6lbs 12oz	20	10lbs 11oz	66	12lbs 6oz
22	5lbs 2oz	68	6lbs 13oz	22	10lbs 13oz	68	12lbs 7oz
24	5lbs 3oz	70	6lbs 14oz	24	10lbs 14oz	70	12lbs 8oz
26	5lbs 5oz	72	6lbs 15oz	26	10lbs 15oz	72	12lbs 9oz
28	5lbs 6oz	74	6lbs 16oz	28	10lbs 16oz	74	12lbs 11oz
30	5lbs 7oz	76	7lbs 1oz	30	11lbs 1oz	76	12lbs 12oz
32	5lbs 8oz	78	7lbs 2oz	32	11lbs 2oz	78	12lbs 13oz
34	5lbs 9oz	80	7lbs 4oz	34	11lbs 4oz	80	12lbs 14oz
36	5lbs 10oz	82	7lbs 5oz	36	11lbs 5oz	82	12lbs 15oz
38	5lbs 11oz	84	7lbs 6oz	38	11lbs 6oz	84	12lbs 16oz
40	5lbs 13oz	86	7lbs 7oz	40	11lbs 7oz	86	13lbs 1oz
42	5lbs 14oz	88	7lbs 8oz	42	11lbs 8oz	88	13lbs 3oz
44	5lbs 15oz	90	7lbs 9oz	44	11lbs 9oz	90	13lbs 4oz
46	5lbs 16oz	92	7lbs 11oz	46	11lbs 10oz	92	13lbs 5oz
48	6lbs 1oz	94	7lbs 12oz	48	11lbs 12oz	94	13lbs 6oz
50	6lbs 2oz	96	7lbs 13oz	50	11lbs 13oz	96	13lbs 7oz
52	6lbs 4oz	98	7lbs 14oz	52	11lbs 14oz	98	13lbs 8oz
54	6lbs 5oz	100	7lbs 15oz	54	11lbs 15oz	100	13lbs 9oz



R-40	4A Charge Ta	ble (6Lb Recei	iver)	R404	4a Charge Tab	le (14Lb Receiv	ver)
Length of 3/8 Line (Ft)	Charge Amount	Length of 3/8 Line	Charge Amount	Length of 3/8 Line (Ft)	Charge Amount	Length of 3/8 Line	Charge Amount
10	4lbs 8oz	56	6lbs 2oz	10	9lbs 14oz	56	11lbs 7oz
12	4lbs 10oz	58	6lbs 3oz	12	9lbs 15oz	58	11lbs 8oz
14	4lbs 11oz	60	6lbs 4oz	14	9lbs 16oz	60	11lbs 9oz
16	4lbs 12oz	62	6lbs 5oz	16	10lbs 1oz	62	11lbs 10oz
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32	5lbs 4oz	78	6lbs 14oz	32	10lbs 10oz	78	12lbs 3oz
34	5lbs 6oz	80	6lbs 15oz	34	10lbs 11oz	80	12lbs 4oz
36	5lbs 7oz	82	6lbs 16oz	36	10lbs 12oz	82	12lbs 5oz
38	5lbs 8oz	84	7lbs 1oz	38	10lbs 13oz	84	12lbs 6oz
40	5lbs 9oz	86	7lbs 2oz	40	10lbs 14oz	86	12lbs 7oz
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48	5lbs 13oz	94	7lbs 6oz	48	11lbs 3oz	94	12lbs 12oz
50	5lbs 14oz	96	7lbs 7oz	50	11lbs 4oz	96	12lbs 13oz
52	5lbs 15oz	98	7lbs 8oz	52	11lbs 5oz	98	12lbs 14oz
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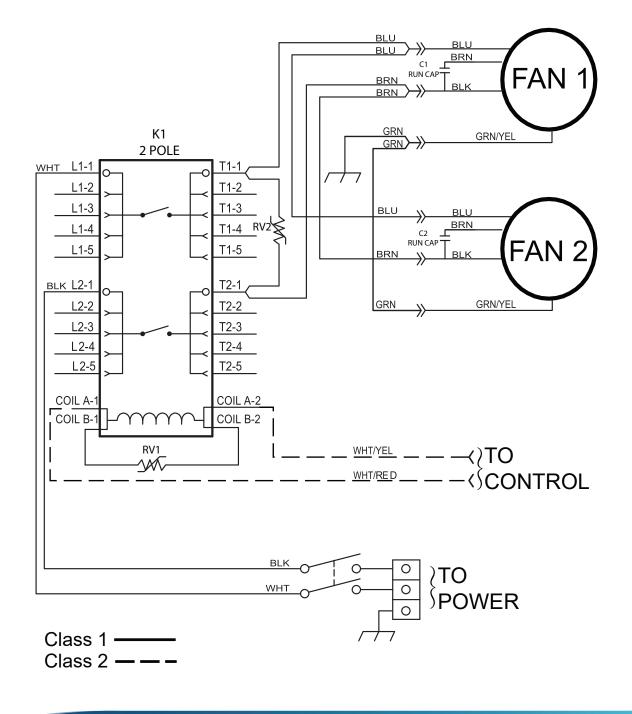
Note: Contact FBD Technical Support for line sets that run more than 100 feet.





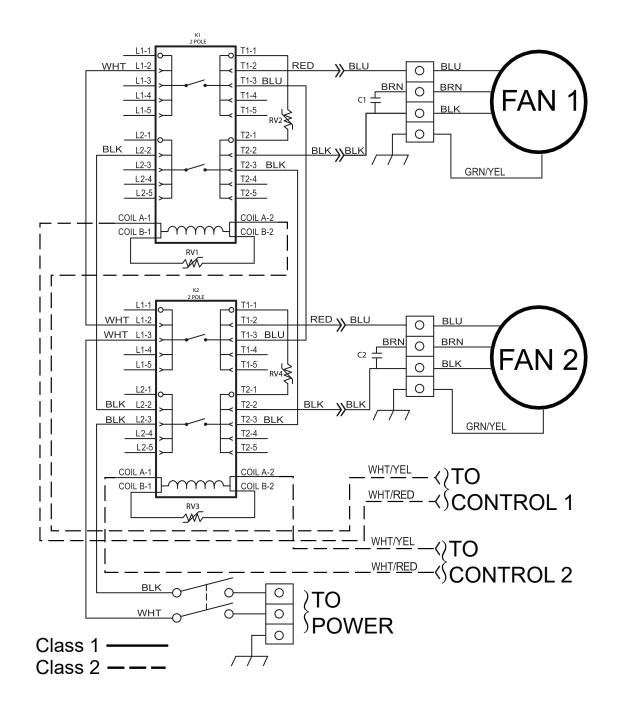
6. DIAGRAMS AND SCHEMATICS

6.1 SRC Electrical Schematic



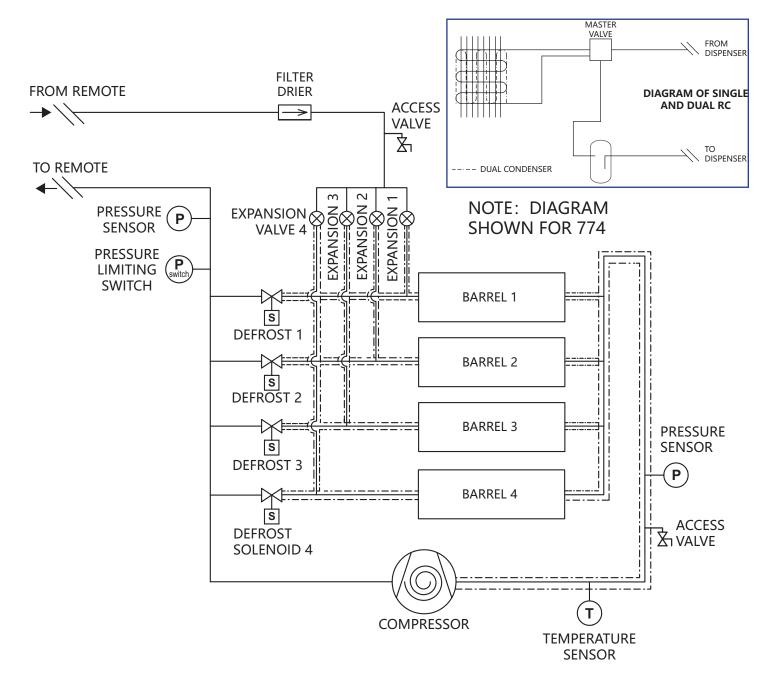


6.2 DRC Electrical Schematic





6.3 Single and Dual RC Refrigeration Schematic





6.4 Example of Remote Condenser Installation

