THERMOCOUPLE REPLACEMENT

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REMOVING A FAULTY THERMOCOUPLE FROM KILN

- 1. Turn of kiln power supply.
- 2. Open cap with a screwdriver.
- 3. Use a screwdriver to loosen terminals. Free orange and white wires.
- 4. Use a wrench to loosen threaded bushing then remove braided cable from thermocouple head.
- 5. Reattach cap.
- 6. Loosen tension screws on locating flange, then withdraw thermocouple from kiln.
- 7. Store faulty thermocouple. A Blaauw service representative will inspect the thermocouple during your next service call.

INSTALLING A NEW THERMCOUPLE

- 1. Carfully remove the new thermocouple from packing materials. Inspect ceramic protective tube for any shipping damage.
- 2. Ensure support tube set screws are snug.
- 3. Insert thermocouple into kiln via locating flange. Tighten tension screws.
- 4. Remove cap from thermocouple head.
- 5. Unscrew threaded bushing. Remove paper dust sheild and discard.
- 6. Remove washer and rubber seal. Feed braided thermocouple cable through threaded bushing, washer, then seal.



paper dust shield



washer and rubber seal

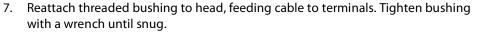


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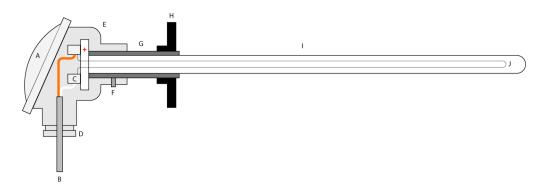






- 8. Attach the orange wire to the terminal differentiated by a "+" or an orange or red dot. Attach the white wire to the remaining terminal. Terminal design may vary.
- 9. Ensure the following:
 - a. Orange and white wires do not touch each other or the head.
 - b. Thin platinum wires do not touch each other or the head.
- 10. Reattach cap.
- 11. Turn on kiln and wait until command mode is displayed.
- 12. Press TEMP button until control panel displays the temperature for the replaced thermocouple (°A for thermocouple A, °B for thermocouple B).
- 13. Use a lighter to confirm correct operation of thermocouple. <u>Alway do this step</u>. The temperature should rise. If it does not, contact your nearest representative. Never fire the kiln if the thermocouple is not functioning correctly.

PARTS OF A THERMOCOUPLE



- A. Cap
- B. Braided cable
- C. Terminal
- D. Threaded bushing
- E. Thermocouple head
- F. Support tube set screw
- G. Support tube
- H. Locating flange
- I. Protective tube
- J. Platinum wire