

# Septic System Installation Instructions

## Quick4® Equalizer® 24 Low Profile Chambers

### Before You Begin

Quick4 Equalizer 24 LP Chambers are designed for shallow placement applications and may only be installed according to State and/or local regulations. If unsure of the installation requirements for a particular site, contact the local health department.

Like conventional systems, the soil and site conditions must be approved prior to installation. Conduct a thorough site evaluation to determine the proper sizing and siting of the system before installation.

#### Materials and Equipment Needed

- Quick4 Equalizer 24 LP Chambers
  - End Caps
  - PVC Pipe and Couplings
  - Backhoe
  - Laser, Transit, or Level
  - Shovel and Rake
  - Tape Measure
  - Utility Knife
  - Hole Saw
  - 1¼-inch Drywall Screws\*
  - Screw Gun\*
  - Small Valve-Cover Box\*
  - 4-inch Cap for Inspection Port\*
- \* Optional

#### These guidelines for construction machinery must be followed during installation:

- Avoid direct contact with chambers when using construction equipment.
- Only drive across the trenches when necessary. Never drive down the length of the trenches.
- To avoid additional soil compaction, never drive heavy vehicles over the completed system.

### Excavating and Preparing the Site

*Note: As is the case with conventional systems, do not install the systems in wet conditions or in overly moist soils, as this causes machinery to smear the soil.*

1. Stake out the location of all trenches and lines. Set the elevations of the tank, pipe, and trench bottom.
2. Install sedimentation and erosion control measures. Temporary drainage swales/berms may be installed to protect the site during rainfall events.
3. Excavate and level 18" wide trenches with proper center-to-center separation. Verify that the trenches are level or have the prescribed slope.

*Note: Over excavate the trench width in areas where you are planning to contour.*

4. Rake the bottom and sides if smearing has occurred while excavating. Remove any large stones and other debris. Do not use the bucket teeth to rake the trench bottom.

*Note: Raking to eliminate smearing is not necessary in sandy soils. In fine textured soils (silts and clays), avoid walking in the trench to prevent compaction and loss of soil structure.*

5. Verify that each trench is level using a level, transit, or laser.

### Preparing the End Cap

1. With a hole saw drill a opening appropriate to the pipe diameter being used (normally 3 to 4 inches) on the front of the end cap.
2. Snap off the molded splash plate located on the bottom front of the end cap.
3. Install splash plate into the appropriate slots below the inlet to prevent trench bottom erosion.

### Installing the System

1. Check the header pipe to be sure it is level or has the prescribed slope.
2. Set the invert height as specified in the design from the bottom of the inlet.

3. Place the first chamber in the trench.

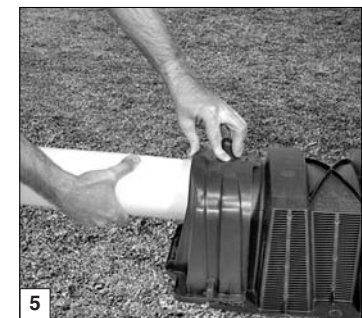
4. Place the back edge of the end cap over the inlet end of the first chamber. Be sure to line up the locking pins on the top of both the chamber and end cap.

*Optional: Fasten the end cap to the chamber with a screw at the top of the end cap.*



4 Place end cap onto first chamber.

5. Insert the header pipe 2.5 inches into the opening on the front of the end cap.



5 Insert header pipe.

6. Lift and place the end of the next chamber onto the previous chamber by holding it at a 45-degree angle. Line up the chamber end between the connector hook and locking pin at the top of the first chamber. Lower the chamber to the ground to connect the chambers.

*Note: When the chamber end is placed between the connector hook and locking pin at a 45-degree angle, the pin will be visible from the back side of the chamber.*

*Note: The connector hook serves as a guide to ensure proper connection and does not add structural integrity to the chamber joint. Broken hooks will not affect the structure or void the warranty.*



6 Connect chambers.

7. Swivel the chamber on the pin to achieve the proper direction for the trench layout. *Note: The chamber allows up to 15-degree swivel in either direction at each joint.*

8. Continue connecting the chambers until the trench is completed.

*Note: As chambers are installed, verify they are level or have the prescribed slope.*

9. The last chamber in the trench requires an end cap. Lift the end cap at a 45-degree angle and align the connector hook on the top of the chamber with the raised slot on the top of the end cap. Lower the end cap to the ground and into place.



Attach end cap to last chamber.

*Note: Place a few shovels of soil around the end cap to secure it during backfill.*

10. To ensure structural stability, fill the sidewall area by pulling soil from the sides of the trench with a shovel. Start at the joints where the chambers connect. Continue backfilling the entire sidewall area, making sure the fill covers the louvers.

11. Pack down fill by walking along the edges of trench and chambers.

*Note: In wet or clay soils, do not walk in the sidewalls.*

12. Proceed to next trench and begin with Step 1.

## Installing Optional Inspection Ports

1. With a hole saw, drill the pre-marked area in the top of the chamber to create a 4-inch opening.

2. Set a cut piece of pipe of the appropriate length into the corresponding chamber's inspection port sleeve.

*Note: The sleeve will accommodate up to a 4-inch SCH40 pipe.*

3. Use two screws to fasten the pipe to the sleeve around the inspection port.

4. Attach a threaded cap or cleanout assembly onto the protruding pipe at the appropriate height.

5. A small valve cover box may be used if inspection port is below the desired grade.

## Covering the System

**Before backfilling, the system must be inspected by a health officer or other official as required by State and local codes. Create an as-built drawing at this time for future records.**

1. Backfill the trench by pushing fill material over the chambers with a backhoe. Keep a minimum of 12 inches of compacted cover over the chambers before driving over the system.

*Note: Do not drive over system while backfilling in sand.*

*Note: For shallow cover applications, it is recommended that tracked construction equipment be used. You must mound 12 inches of soil over the system before driving over it, and then grade it back a minimum of 4 inches upon completion.*

2. It is best to mound several inches of soil over the finish grade to allow for settling. This also ensures that runoff water is diverted away from the system.

3. After the system is covered, the site should be seeded or sodded to prevent erosion.

*Note: If the system is for new home construction, it is important to leave marking stakes along the boundary of the system. This will notify contractors of the site location so they will not cross it with equipment or vehicles.*

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