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Model: **EZ3040G** | Brand: **General Pump**

## 1. INTRODUCTION AND OVERVIEW

This manual provides essential information for the safe and efficient operation, installation, and maintenance of your General Pump Pressure Washer Pump, Model EZ3040G. This pump is designed for direct drive gas engines, offering a robust solution for pressure washing applications.

The EZ3040G pump is pre-plumbed and pre-tested at the factory, ensuring readiness for installation. It is engineered to fit standard 4-bolt engine face plates and delivers a maximum pressure of 3000 PSI and a flow rate of 4.0 GPM.



Figure 1.1: General Pump EZ3040G Pressure Washer Pump. This image shows the overall assembly of the pump, featuring its brass manifold, black housing, and red pressure regulator.

## 2. SAFETY INFORMATION

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Always observe safety precautions when operating or maintaining pressure washing equipment. Failure to follow these instructions could result in serious injury or property damage.

- **Read the Entire Manual:** Before installation, operation, or maintenance, thoroughly read and understand this instruction manual and the engine manufacturer's manual.
- **High Pressure Hazard:** The pump generates high-pressure water. Never direct the spray at people, animals, electrical devices, or the unit itself. Always wear appropriate personal protective equipment (PPE), including eye protection.
- **Gasoline Safety:** This pump is designed for gasoline-powered engines. Handle gasoline with extreme care. Store fuel in approved containers, in a well-ventilated area, away from ignition sources.
- **Electrical Safety:** Ensure all electrical connections are secure and properly grounded if using an electric motor (though this model is gas-powered, general safety applies to the overall system).
- **Moving Parts:** Keep hands, feet, and clothing away from moving parts during operation.
- **Ventilation:** Operate gasoline engines in well-ventilated areas to prevent carbon monoxide poisoning.
- **Secure Connections:** Ensure all hoses, fittings, and accessories are securely connected before starting the unit.

## 3. SETUP AND INSTALLATION

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The General Pump EZ3040G is designed for direct mounting to a gasoline engine with a 4-bolt face plate. Follow these steps for proper installation:

1. **Prepare the Engine:** Ensure the engine is turned off, cooled, and disconnected from any fuel source. Remove the old pump if applicable.
2. **Mount the Pump:** Align the EZ3040G pump with the 4-bolt engine face plate. Use the existing bolts from your old pump to secure the new pump firmly to the engine. Do not overtighten.
3. **Check Oil Level:** The pump is shipped without oil or with minimal oil for shipping purposes. Before first use, fill the pump crankcase with the recommended pump oil (refer to the pump's label or manufacturer's specifications for oil type and capacity). Use the dipstick to ensure the oil level is correct.
4. **Connect Water Supply:** Attach a garden hose (minimum 5/8 inch diameter) from a reliable water source to the pump's inlet fitting. Ensure the water supply is clean and free of debris. A water filter is recommended.
5. **Connect High-Pressure Hose:** Attach your high-pressure hose to the pump's outlet fitting. Ensure all connections are tight to prevent leaks.
6. **Connect Spray Gun/Wand:** Attach the other end of the high-pressure hose to your spray gun and wand assembly.
7. **Chemical Injector (Optional):** If using a chemical injector, connect it according to its specific instructions, typically between the pump outlet and the high-pressure hose, or as a separate suction line.



Figure 3.1: Pump with water inlet hose connected. This image illustrates the pump with a clear hose attached to the water inlet, demonstrating a typical connection point for the water supply.

#### 4. OPERATING INSTRUCTIONS

Follow these steps for safe and effective operation of your pressure washer pump:

1. **Ensure Water Supply:** Turn on the water supply completely before starting the engine. Allow water to flow through the pump and out the spray gun until all air is purged from the system. This prevents pump damage from cavitation.
2. **Start the Engine:** Follow the engine manufacturer's instructions for starting your gasoline engine.
3. **Engage the Pump:** Once the engine is running smoothly, the pump will begin to pressurize the system.
4. **Begin Cleaning:** Squeeze the trigger on the spray gun to begin spraying. Adjust the nozzle or pressure as needed for your cleaning task.
5. **Shutting Down:**
  - Release the spray gun trigger.
  - Turn off the engine.
  - Turn off the water supply.
  - Squeeze the spray gun trigger to release any remaining pressure in the system.
  - Disconnect hoses.

**Important:** Never run the pump dry or without water flowing through it for extended periods, as this can cause severe damage.

## 5. MAINTENANCE

Regular maintenance is crucial for the longevity and optimal performance of your General Pump EZ3040G. Refer to the pump's specific maintenance schedule, typically found on a label or in a separate service manual.

- **Oil Changes:**
  - **First Oil Change:** Perform after the first 20-50 hours of operation (break-in period).
  - **Subsequent Oil Changes:** Change pump oil every 100-200 hours of operation, or at least once per season, whichever comes first.
  - Use only recommended pump oil. Consult your pump's label or General Pump documentation for the correct oil type and viscosity.
- **Water Inlet Filter:** Regularly inspect and clean the water inlet filter screen to prevent debris from entering the pump. Replace if damaged.
- **Hose and Fitting Inspection:** Before each use, check all hoses and fittings for wear, cracks, or leaks. Replace any damaged components immediately.
- **Nozzle Inspection:** Clean or replace clogged nozzles to maintain proper spray pattern and pressure.
- **Winterization (for cold climates):** If storing the pressure washer in freezing temperatures, winterize the pump to prevent damage. This typically involves flushing the pump with an antifreeze solution or pump protector.
- **Storage:** Store the pump in a clean, dry area, protected from extreme temperatures.



Figure 5.1: Side view of the EZ3040G pump. This image provides a view of the pump's side, highlighting the mounting plate

and the robust construction of the unit, relevant for inspection during maintenance.

## 6. TROUBLESHOOTING

This section addresses common issues you might encounter with your pressure washer pump. For problems not listed here, consult a qualified service technician.

Problem	Possible Cause	Solution
<b>No Pressure or Low Pressure</b>	Insufficient water supply Air in the pump Clogged inlet filter Worn or damaged unloader valve Worn pump seals/valves Clogged nozzle	Ensure full water flow to pump. Purge air from the system by running water through the gun with the engine off. Clean or replace inlet filter. Inspect and replace unloader valve if faulty. Contact service for pump repair/rebuild. Clean or replace nozzle.
<b>Water Leaking from Pump</b>	Loose fittings Damaged O-rings or seals Cracked pump housing (severe)	Tighten all connections. Inspect and replace worn O-rings or seals. Contact service for repair or replacement.
<b>Pump Pulsates or Vibrates Excessively</b>	Air in the system Insufficient water supply Clogged nozzle Worn pump valves	Purge air from the system. Ensure adequate water flow. Clean or replace nozzle. Contact service for pump inspection.

## 7. SPECIFICATIONS

Key technical specifications for the General Pump EZ3040G Pressure Washer Pump:

- **Model Number:** EZ3040G
- **Brand:** General Pump
- **Maximum Pressure:** 3000 PSI
- **Maximum Flow Rate:** 4.0 Gallons Per Minute (GPM)
- **Power Source:** Gasoline-powered (designed for direct drive gas engines)
- **Material:** Metal (Brass manifold, black housing)
- **Item Weight:** Approximately 29 Pounds
- **Mounting:** 4-bolt engine face plate direct drive
- **UPC:** 682491014980

## 8. WARRANTY AND SUPPORT

For warranty information, technical support, or to purchase replacement parts, please contact General Pump

directly or refer to their official website. Keep your purchase receipt and model number (EZ3040G) handy when contacting support.

General Pump is committed to providing quality products and customer service. Specific warranty terms and conditions may vary and are typically outlined in documentation provided with the original purchase or available on the manufacturer's website.