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Fluidmaster 40252 Pro Series Adjustable Toilet Flapper User Manual

Model: 40252

1. Introduction

This manual provides comprehensive instructions for the installation, operation, and maintenance of your Fluidmaster 40252 Pro Series Adjustable Toilet Flapper. This product is designed to replace worn-out toilet tank flappers, helping to conserve water and prevent leaks. It is compatible with flush valves both with and without mounting ears, including many American Standard units, and is constructed to resist damage from chemicals and hard water.

2. Product Overview

The Fluidmaster 40252 Pro Series Adjustable Toilet Flapper is a universal replacement component for toilet tanks. Key features include:

- **Universal Fit:** Designed to fit most 2-inch flush valves.
- **Adjustable:** Allows for customization of flush volume to optimize water usage.
- **Durable Material:** Made from rubber to resist chemical degradation and hard water effects.
- **Easy Installation:** Simple replacement process for common toilet tank setups.



Figure 1: Fluidmaster 40252 Pro Series Adjustable Toilet Flapper. This image shows the red rubber flapper with its attached chain and float.

3. Setup and Installation

1. **Turn Off Water Supply:** Locate the water supply valve behind or near the toilet and turn it clockwise until the water flow stops.
2. **Flush Toilet:** Flush the toilet to drain most of the water from the tank. Hold the handle down to ensure maximum drainage.
3. **Remove Old Flapper:** Disconnect the old flapper from the flush valve and the chain from the flush lever.
4. **Install New Flapper:**
    - Position the new Fluidmaster 40252 flapper over the flush valve opening.
    - Secure the flapper's ears onto the overflow tube's mounting posts or around the flush valve base, depending on your toilet's design.
5. **Attach Chain:** Connect the flapper chain to the toilet's flush lever. Ensure there is a small amount of slack (approximately 1/2 inch to 1 inch) in the chain when the flapper is closed. Too much slack will cause a weak flush; too little will prevent the flapper from sealing properly.
6. **Restore Water Supply:** Turn the water supply valve counter-clockwise to refill the toilet tank.
7. **Test Flush:** Flush the toilet several times to ensure the flapper seals correctly and the toilet fills properly without leaks. Adjust chain slack if necessary.

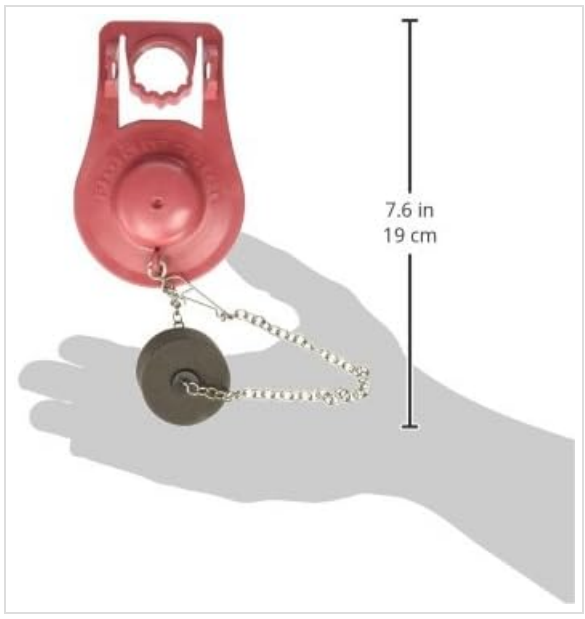


Figure 2: Dimensions of the Fluidmaster 40252 Flapper. The image illustrates the approximate dimensions of the flapper, showing a length of 7.6 inches (19 cm).

4. Operating Instructions

The Fluidmaster 40252 flapper operates in conjunction with your toilet's flush lever. When the flush lever is pressed, the chain lifts the flapper from the flush valve opening, allowing water to flow from the tank into the bowl. Once the tank is sufficiently drained, the flapper will fall back into place, sealing the flush valve and allowing the tank to refill. The adjustable nature of this flapper allows for fine-tuning of the flush volume by adjusting the float on the chain, which controls how long the flapper stays open.

5. Maintenance

Regular maintenance helps ensure optimal performance and longevity of your flapper:

- **Inspect Periodically:** Check the flapper and chain every 6-12 months for signs of wear, cracking, or stiffness.
- **Clean:** If mineral deposits or grime accumulate, gently clean the flapper and flush valve seat with a soft brush and mild cleaner. Avoid harsh chemicals that could damage the rubber.
- **Check for Leaks:** Listen for phantom flushes or observe if the water level in the bowl drops over time, indicating a potential leak. A simple dye test (adding food coloring to the tank and waiting 15-30 minutes without flushing) can confirm a leak.

6. Troubleshooting

- **Toilet Runs Continuously:**
  - Check the flapper chain for proper slack. If too tight, it may prevent the flapper from sealing.
  - Inspect the flapper for debris on the sealing surface or damage.
  - Ensure the flapper is seated correctly on the flush valve.
- **Weak or Incomplete Flush:**
  - Check the flapper chain for too much slack, which may not lift the flapper high enough or long enough.
  - Adjust the float on the chain to allow the flapper to stay open longer, increasing flush volume.
  - Ensure the water level in the tank is at the correct fill line.

7. Specifications

Brand	Fluidmaster
Model Number	40252 (PRO55)
Material	Rubber
Color	Red
Size	Universal (fits 2-inch flush valves)
Product Dimensions	2.7"L x 6.1"W (approximate)
Item Weight	0.01 Ounces
UPC	091712402527, 039961555007
Manufacturer	American Standard (as listed in specifications, though product is Fluidmaster)

Note: Dimensions and weight are approximate and may vary slightly.

8. Warranty and Support

The Fluidmaster 40252 Pro Series Adjustable Toilet Flapper comes with a**5-year warranty** from the date of purchase, covering defects in materials and workmanship under normal use.

For technical assistance, troubleshooting, or warranty claims, please visit the official Fluidmaster website or contact their customer support. You can find more information at Fluidmaster Official Store.

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