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Model: 8165W

PRODUCT OVERVIEW

The LiftMaster 8165W Contractor Series Garage Door Opener is a robust and reliable solution designed for daily use. Featuring a 1/2 HP AC motor and a durable chain drive system, it provides consistent performance for standard aluminum garage doors. This model includes built-in Wi-Fi connectivity, allowing users to control and monitor their garage door remotely via a smartphone application. It also incorporates advanced safety sensors to prevent accidents by stopping the door from closing on obstructions.



Figure 1: The LiftMaster 8165W garage door opener unit, accompanied by two remote controls. This image highlights the main components of the system, including the opener motor and the handheld remote devices for convenient access.



Figure 2: A close-up view of the LiftMaster 8165W garage door opener, prominently displaying the "myQ" logo. This image indicates the unit's integrated Wi-Fi capability for smart home connectivity and remote operation.

SETUP

Installation

Installation of the LiftMaster 8165W garage door opener requires careful attention to detail and adherence to safety guidelines. While some users with advanced DIY skills may attempt self-installation, it is highly recommended to consult a professional for proper setup to ensure optimal performance and safety. The unit is designed to integrate with existing rail systems, as the chain rail is not included with the opener itself. Ensure all mounting hardware is securely fastened and the unit is properly aligned with the garage door track.

Wi-Fi and MyQ App Setup

The built-in Wi-Fi allows for seamless integration with your home network and the MyQ smartphone application. To set up Wi-Fi connectivity:

1. Download the MyQ app from your device's app store.
2. Create an account or log in if you already have one.
3. Follow the in-app instructions to connect your LiftMaster 8165W opener to your home Wi-Fi network. This typically involves pressing a learn button on the opener and following prompts in the app.
4. Once connected, you can open, close, and receive real-time alerts about your garage door status directly on your smartphone.

OPERATING INSTRUCTIONS

Using the Remote Control

The LiftMaster 8165W comes with remote controls for convenient operation. Each remote is pre-programmed or can be easily programmed to your opener. Pressing the main button on the remote will initiate the opening or closing sequence of the garage door. Pressing it again during operation will stop the door.

MyQ App Functionality

The MyQ app extends the functionality of your garage door opener, offering enhanced control and monitoring capabilities:

- **Remote Operation:** Open or close your garage door from anywhere using your smartphone.
- **Real-time Alerts:** Receive notifications on your phone when the garage door is opened, closed, or left open for an extended period.
- **Activity History:** View a log of when your garage door was operated.
- **Guest Access:** Grant temporary or permanent access to family members or trusted individuals.

Safety Sensor Operation

The integrated safety sensors are crucial for preventing accidents. These sensors are located near the bottom of the garage door tracks and project an invisible light beam. If an obstruction breaks this beam while the door is closing, the door will automatically reverse to its open position. Ensure the sensors are clean and properly aligned at all times for optimal safety.

MAINTENANCE

Regular maintenance is essential to ensure the longevity and safe operation of your LiftMaster 8165W garage door opener. Perform the following checks periodically:

- **Monthly Inspection:** Check the garage door balance by disconnecting the opener and manually lifting the door. It should lift smoothly and stay open at any point.
- **Lubrication:** Lubricate moving parts such as rollers, hinges, and the chain drive with a garage door lubricant every few months. Do not use grease or oil on the chain.
- **Safety Sensor Test:** Test the safety reversal system monthly. Place an object (like a 2x4 board) in the door's path. The door should reverse upon contact.
- **Force Setting Test:** If the door does not reverse, the force settings may need adjustment. Refer to the detailed manual for instructions or contact a professional.
- **Remote Battery Replacement:** Replace remote control batteries as needed to ensure consistent performance.

TROUBLESHOOTING

This section addresses common issues you might encounter with your LiftMaster 8165W garage door opener. For more detailed troubleshooting steps, always refer to the complete product manual.

Problem	Possible Cause	Solution
Door does not close completely.	Safety sensors misaligned or obstructed.	Check and align safety sensors. Clear any obstructions.

Problem	Possible Cause	Solution
Opener runs but door does not move.	Emergency release cord pulled.	Reconnect the opener to the door by engaging the trolley.
Remote control not working.	Dead battery or out of range.	Replace battery. Ensure you are within operating range.
Wi-Fi connectivity issues.	Poor Wi-Fi signal or network configuration.	Check Wi-Fi signal strength. Restart router. Reconnect via MyQ app.

SPECIFICATIONS

Feature	Detail
Manufacturer	LiftMaster
Model Number	8165W
Motor Type	1/2 HP AC
Drive System	Chain Drive
Connectivity	Built-in Wi-Fi (MyQ compatible)
Voltage	120 Volts
Item Weight	20 pounds
Product Dimensions	15 x 10 x 5.75 inches
Safety Features	Safety sensors, Security+ 2.0

WARRANTY AND SUPPORT

LiftMaster products are known for their durability and reliability. The 8165W Contractor Series Garage Door Opener typically comes with a manufacturer's warranty covering various components. For specific warranty details, including coverage duration and terms, please refer to the warranty card included with your product or visit the official LiftMaster website.

For technical support, troubleshooting assistance, or to locate authorized service providers, please contact LiftMaster customer service. You can find contact information and additional resources on the [LiftMaster Official Store on Amazon](#) or their corporate website.

