

PN 21360547 B

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MODEL: Companion 5™

ISSUE: Companion 5™ Hose Clamp Change

NOTES: Effective Dec. 17th, 2018, all CAIRE Companion 5 Oxygen Concentrators are now being manufactured using new hose clamps (CAIRE PN CL036-1 and 21496797). The new ratcheting clamp (PN CL036-1) is meant to be taken on and off for service and can be re-used. The pinch clamp (CAIRE PN 21496797) does not need to be removed for service and if needed to, it will need to be replaced. The previous design clamps required special pliers (CAIRE PN 20852060) to remove for service work. See figures below for updated part numbers and pictures.

Figure 3 indicates the removal of the ratcheting clamp. Each side of the ratchet mechanism can be grasped with a separate set of standard pliers, and the two sections of the clamp moved opposite one another until the clamp releases.

It is recommended to only remove and re-install the ratcheting clamp if possible, but if a pinch clamp needs to be replaced (to repair a damaged section of tubing, for example) a pinch clamp tool is required. A pinch clamp tool can be sourced from various hardware supply companies. See figures 5 and 6 below that illustrate how to apply an oetiker clamp.

Fig. 1: New Ratcheting Clamp PN: CL036-1



Fig. 2: New Style Pinch Clamp PN: 21496797



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Fig. 3: Ratcheting Clamp Removal

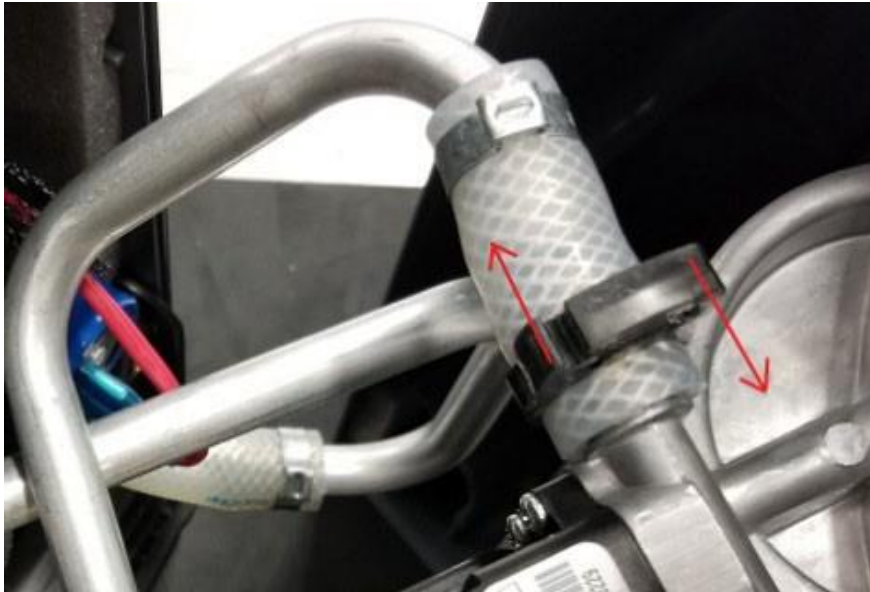


Fig. 4: Precious Design Clamp Removal



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Fig. 5: Crimping Pinch Clamp



Fig. 6: Pinch Clamp Installed



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