

# GS525Z Tech Sheet

## Balboa System PN 54848

System Model # GS5-GS525Z-RCA-3.0K

Software Version # 43

EPN # 3180

Base PCBA - PN 54849

PCB GS500Z - PN 22015 Rev B

Base Panels

VL2XX Series

VL4XX Series

See page 12 and 13.

Aux Panel

VX10 – PN 55608

(required for Blower operation)



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# System Revision History

System PN	EPN	Date	Requested By	Changes Made
54848	3180	07-06-09	Balboa	Initial Draft
54848	3180	11-03-11	Balboa	Correction to heater listing on pages 3 and 5

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# Basic System Features and Functions

## Power Requirements

Single Service [3 wires (line, neutral, ground)]

- 230VAC, 50Hz, 1 $\phi$ , 32A, (Circuit Breaker rating = 20A/40A max.)

3-Phase Service [5 wires (line 1, line 2, line 3, neutral, ground)] **Requires PCB Rev B.**

- 400VAC, 50Hz, 3N $\phi$ , 16A, (Circuit Breaker rating = 20A max each phase line.)
- **IMPORTANT** - Service must include a neutral wire, with a line to neutral voltage of 230VAC.

## System Outputs

### Setup 1 (As Manufactured)

- 230V Pump 1, 2-Speed
- 230V Pump 2, 2-Speed
- 230V Blower, 1-Speed
- 230V Ozone
- 10V Spa Light
- 230V AV (Stereo)
- 230V 3.0kW Heater \*

### Setup 2

- 230V Pump 1, 2-Speed
- 230V Blower, 1-Speed
- 230V Ozone
- 10V Spa Light
- 230V AV (Stereo)
- 230V 3.0kW Heater \*

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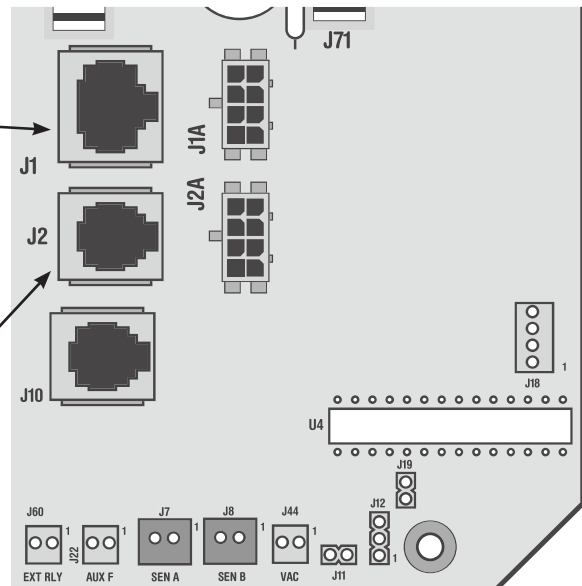
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\* Heater wattage is rated at 240V.

## Additional Options

- Main Panel
- IR Receiver Module  
Not compatible with this model
- MoodEFX Lighting  
Connects to Spa Light terminal J20
- FiberEFX Lighting  
Connects to Spa Light terminal J20
- Aux Panel (blower button)



# Basic System Features and Functions

Any time you change a DIP Switch, other than A1, you must reset Persistent Memory for your new DIP Switch Settings changes to take effect. If you do not reset Persistent Memory, your system may function improperly.

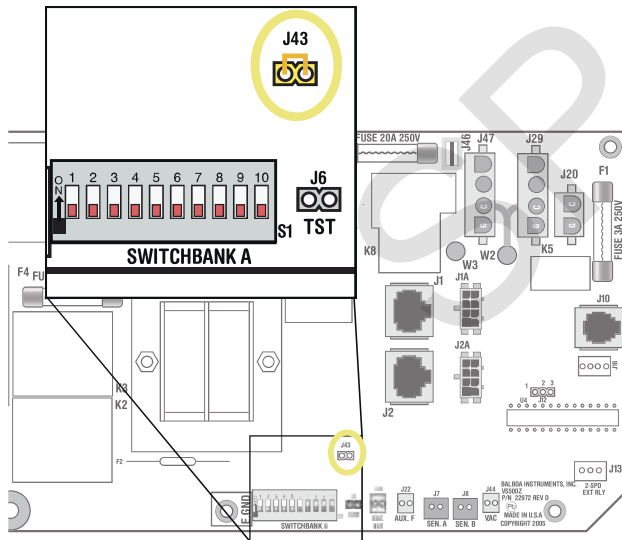
## To reset Persistent Memory:

- Power down by disconnecting power source from spa.
- Put a jumper across J43, covering both pins. (See illustration below)
- Power up by connecting power source to spa.
- Wait until “P” is displayed on your panel.
- Power down again.
- Remove jumper from J43 (May also move to cover 1 pin only)
- Power up again.

## About Persistent Memory and Time of Day Retention:

This system uses memory that doesn't require a battery to store a variety of settings. What we refer to as Persistent Memory stores the filter settings, the set temperature, and the heat mode.

Persistent Memory is not used for Time of Day. Only models with a Serial Deluxe panel installed (VS5xxDZ and GS5xxDZ) can display the time. However, during power loss to the spa, the system will lose the correct time, and reset to 12:00 PM when power is restored.



J43 on VS5xxZ and VS300 Series Main Board Shown.  
J43 on GS5xxZ Series is located in approximately the same position.

## Power Up Display Sequence

Upon power up, you should see the following on the display:

- Three numbers in a row, which are the SSID (the System Software ID). The third display of these numbers is the Software Version, which should match the version of your system. For example, if these three numbers are 100 67 38, that is a VS511SZ at version 38.
- Displayed next is: “24” (indicating the system is configured for a heater between 3 and 6 kW) or “12” (indicating the system is configured for a heater effectively\* between 1 and 3 kW). “24” should appear for all VS models running at 240VAC. “12” should appear for all VS models running at 120VAC, as well as all GS models. (\*A heater which is rated at 4 kW at 240VAC will function as a 1 kW heater at 120VAC.)
- “P” will appear to signal the start of Priming Mode.

At this point, the power up sequence is complete. Refer to the Reference Card for the VS or GS System model of your spa for information about how the spa operates from this point on, including how to adjust the Time of Day if using a Serial Deluxe style panel.

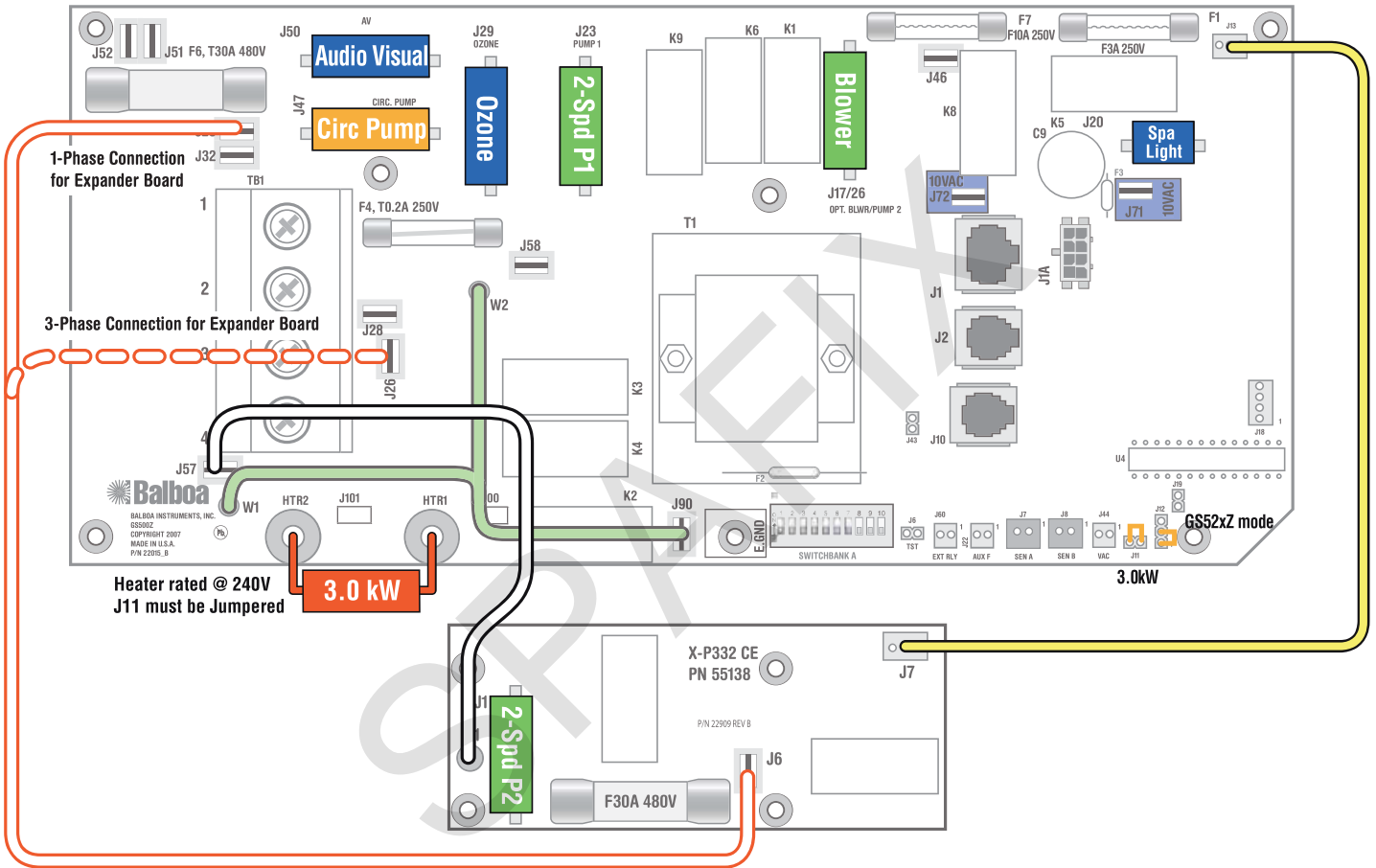
# Wiring Configuration and DIP Settings

## Setup 1 (As Manufactured)

- 230V Pump 1, 2-Speed
- 230V Pump 2, 2-Speed
- 230V Blower, 1-Speed
- 230V Circ Pump (Opt.)  
To enable Circ Pump, set DIP switch A9 to ON (up).
- 230V Ozone
- 10V Spa Light
- 230V AV (Stereo)
- 230V 3.0kW Heater
- VL2xx Panel (A3 ON)
- VL4xx Panel (A3 OFF)

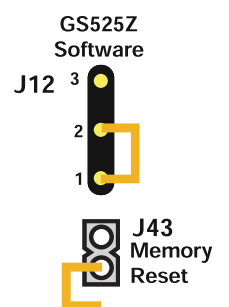
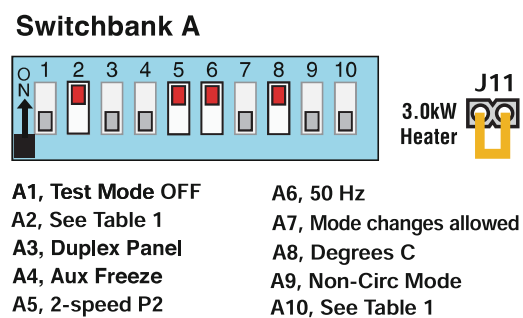
### HiPot Testing Note:

Disconnect slip terminal with green wires from J90 prior to performing HiPot test. Failure to disconnect may cause a false failure of the test. Reconnect terminal to J90 after successful completion of HiPot test.



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**WARNING:** Persistent Memory (J43) must be RESET to allow new DIP switch settings to take effect. (See Persistent Memory page)

**SSID #**  
 100  
 57  
 43



**Wiring Color Key**

- Neutral (Common) AC Connections
- Special AC Connections
- Line AC Connections
- 10 Volt Connections
- Relay Control Wires

**Board Connector Key**

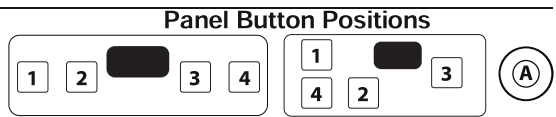
- 1 Typically Line voltage
- 2 Typically Line voltage for 2-speed pumps
- 3 Neutral (Common)
- 4 Ground

Note flat sides in connector

**Panel Button Assignments**

1=P2 (A5 ON)    4=Light  
 N/A (A5 OFF)    A=Blower (J17/26)

2=Pump 1  
 3=Temp

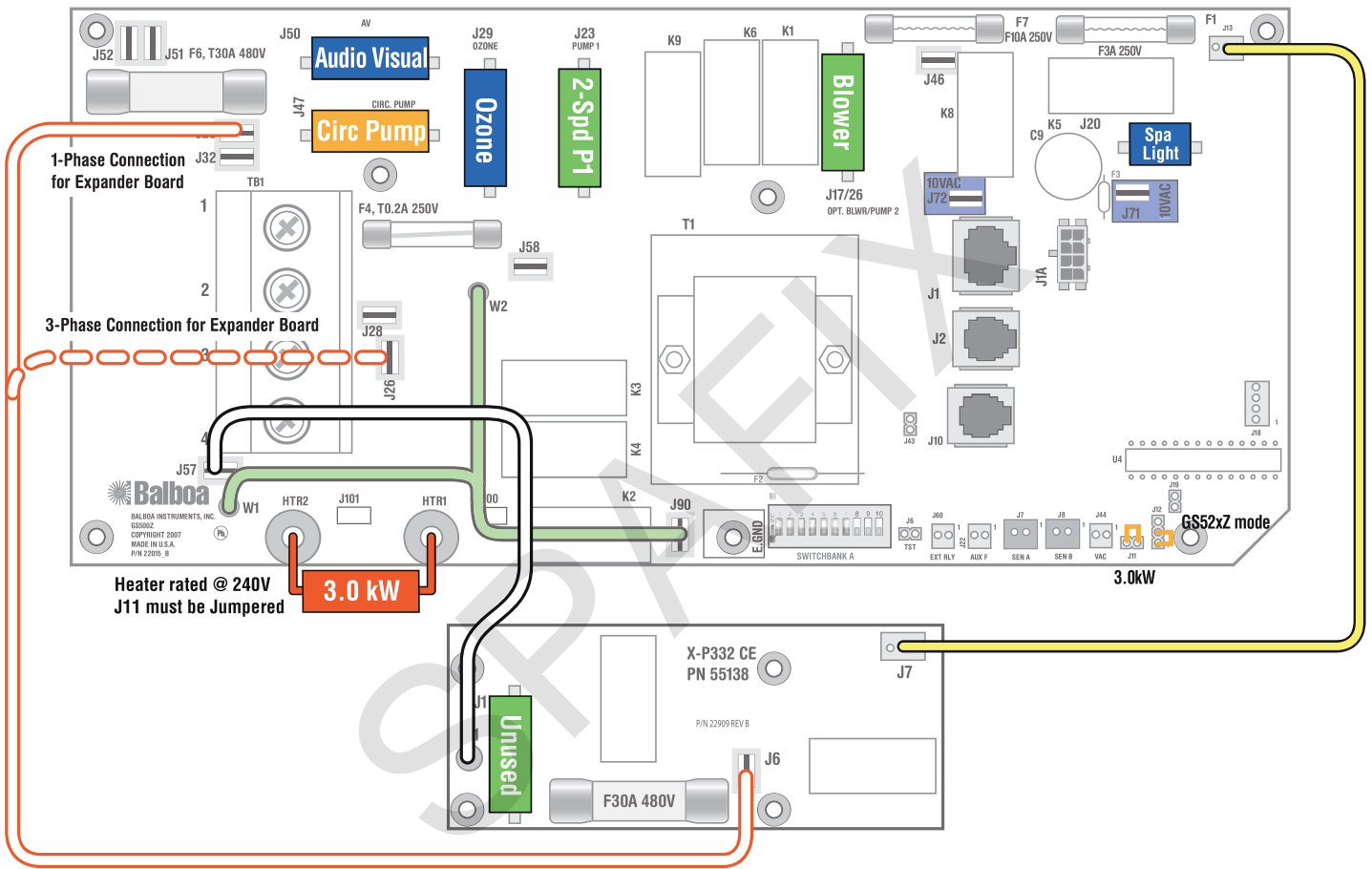


# Wiring Configuration and DIP Settings

## Setup 2

- 230V Pump 1, 2-Speed
- 230V Blower, 1-Speed
- 230V Circ Pump (Opt.)  
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- 230V Ozone
- 10V Spa Light
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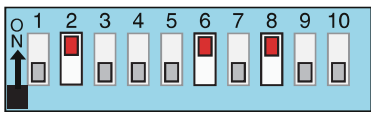
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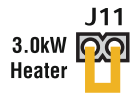
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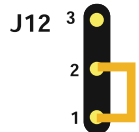
### Switchbank A



- A1, Test Mode OFF
- A2, See Table 1
- A3, Duplex Panel
- A4, Aux Freeze
- A5, P2 Disabled
- A6, 50 Hz
- A7, Mode changes allowed
- A8, Degrees C
- A9, Non-Circ Mode
- A10, See Table 1



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- Relay Control Wires

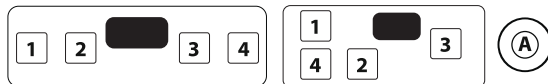
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- Note flat sides in connector

### Panel Button Assignments

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- 2=Pump 1
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- 4=Light
- N/A (A5 OFF)
- A=Blower (J17/26)

### Panel Button Positions






# DIP Switches and Jumpers Definitions

## SSID 100 57 43

## Base Model GS525Z

### DIP Switch Key

- A1 Test Mode (normally OFF)
- A2+A10 Control amp draw requirements (See Table 1)
- A3 "ON" position: use Mini Panel   
"OFF" position: use Digital Duplex or Light Duplex panel  
- A4 Aux Freeze (must be OFF)
- A5 "ON" position: 2-Speed Pump 2 enabled on expander board  
"OFF" position: Pump 2 disabled
- A6 "ON" position: 50Hz operation  
"OFF" position: 60Hz operation
- A7 "ON" position: Standard mode only  
"OFF" position: Std/Ecn/Sleep mode changes allowed
- A8 "ON" position: temperature is displayed in degrees Celsius  
"OFF" position: temperature is displayed in degrees Fahrenheit
- A9 Pump 1 speeds and Circ Modes:

A9	Circ Mode	Pump 1 Speed
OFF	Non-circ	2-speed
ON	24 hours with 3°F shut-off	2-speed

**Table 1** # of Hi-Speed Pumps/Blower Before Heat Disabled

A2	A10	
OFF	OFF	0
ON	OFF	1
OFF	ON	2
ON	ON	3

**Alert:**  
**Pump 2 (if enabled) must be 2-speed**, and uses the X-P332CE expander board.  
 To add Blower or 1-speed Pump 3, use J17/26 and 1-button Aux Panel.

Note: Panel layout is always Pump 2 (or Unused), Pump 1, Temp, Light, with optional Blower or Pump 3 on 1-button Aux Panel. \*\*

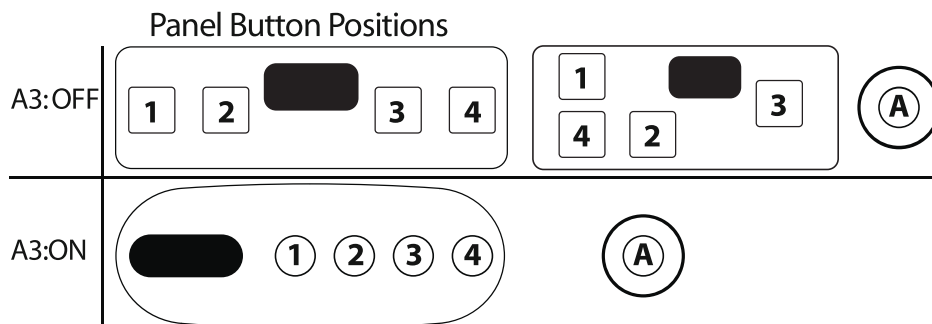
\*\* J2 connector on main board must be a 6-pin connector to use Aux Panel. IR Receiver is not compatible.

### Jumper Key

- J11** If using 3kW or higher wattage heater, jumper can be set in either position, but may perform better on Pins 1 and 2. If using 2.5kW or lower wattage heater, jumper must be set on 1 Pin only.
- J12** **Factory set. DO NOT MOVE.**  
 Jumper must be on Pins 1 and 2 for GS51xZ/GS52xZ/GS5xxSZ/GS5xxDZ software.  
 Jumper must be on Pins 2 and 3 for GS50xZ software.
- J43** When jumper is placed on 2 pins during power-up, system will reset persistent memory. Leave on 1 pin only to enable persistent memory feature.

### WARNING:

- Setting DIP switches incorrectly may cause abnormal system behavior and/or damage to system components.
- Refer to Switchbank illustration on Wiring Configuration page for correct settings for this system.
- Contact Balboa if you require additional configuration pages added to this tech sheet.



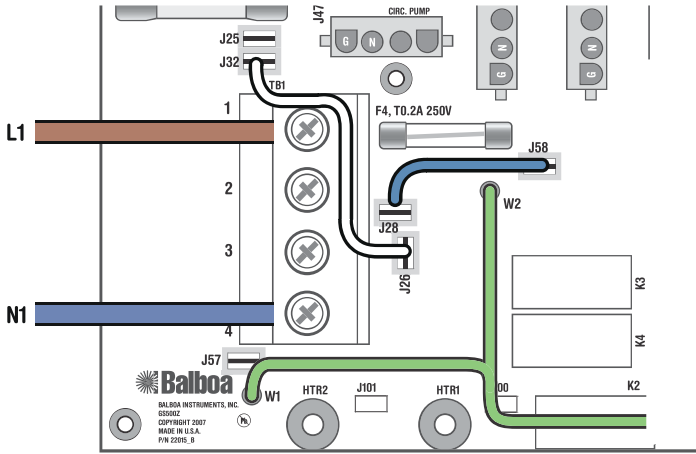
### Panel Button Assignments

- 1=Pump 2 (A5 ON)
- 2=Pump 1
- 3=Temp
- 4=Light
- A=J17/26
- Unused (A5 OFF)

# Electrical Service Configuration Options

## Systems with PCB Rev B Only

AS MANUFACTURED



### Single Service, TN and TT Electrical Systems (1 x 16 Amp or 1 x 32 Amp)

#### 3 Wires (1 Line + 1 Neutral + 1 Protective Earth)

Protective Earth wire (Green/Yellow) must be connected to system ground terminal as marked.

This option is configured and shipped as the default.

*All equipment (pumps, blower, and heater) runs on service line L1.*

Systems using only 1 DIP switch (A10) for heat disable:

For 1 x 16 Amp Service:

DIP Switch A10 must be ON.

For 1 x 32 Amp Service:

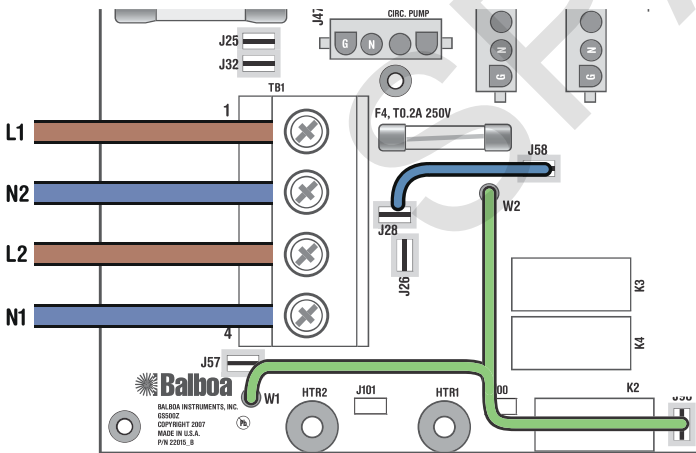
Set DIP Switch A10 such that total system amperage draw never exceeds rated service input.

Systems using multiple DIP switches for heat disable:

Refer to system Hot Sheet DIP Switch Definition page

and set the switches shown in Table 1 such that total system amperage draw never exceeds rated service input.

OPTIONAL



### Dual Service, TN and TT Electrical Systems (2 x 16 Amp)

#### 5 Wires (2 Lines + 2 Neutrals + 1 Protective Earth)

Protective Earth wire (Green/Yellow) must be connected to system ground terminal as marked.

*The heater runs on service line L1, while all other equipment, such as pumps and blowers, run on service line L2.*

Completely remove the white wire from J26 and J32.

*Note: J32 and J25 are electrically identical. The white wire may be attached to either terminal before removal.*

Systems using only 1 DIP switch (A10) for heat disable:

DIP Switch A10 must be OFF.

Systems using multiple DIP switches for heat disable:

Refer to system Hot Sheet DIP Switch Definition page

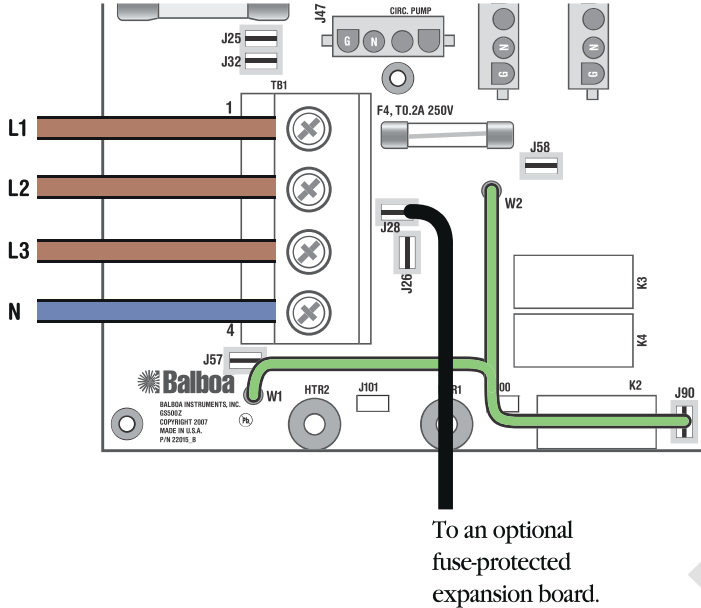
and set both switches shown in Table 1 to ON positions.



# Electrical Service Configuration Options

## Systems with PCB Rev B Only

**OPTIONAL**



To an optional  
fuse-protected  
expansion board.

### 3-Phase Service, TN and TT Electrical Systems 5 Wires (3 Lines + 1 Neutral + 1 Protective Earth)

Protective Earth wire (Green/Yellow) must be connected to system ground terminal as marked.

**IMPORTANT** - Service **MUST** include a neutral wire, with a line to neutral voltage of 230VAC.

*The heater runs on service line L1.*

*All main-board equipment run on service line L3.*

*Additional equipment, such as expansion boards, run on service line L2.*

Completely remove the white wire from J26 and J32, or J25.

Completely remove the blue wire from J28 and J58.

If an expansion board is installed, black wire must connect to J28 (Line L2) only.

Systems using only 1 DIP switch (A10) for heat disable:

DIP Switch A10 must be OFF.

Systems using multiple DIP switches for heat disable:

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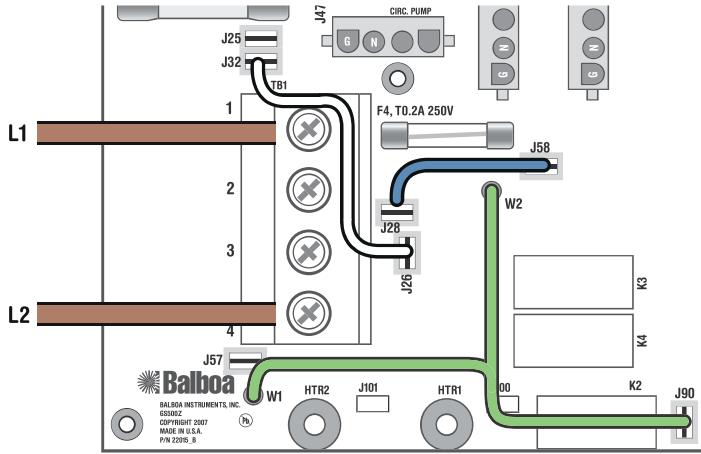
#### NOTE:

- Not all GS5xxZ systems can support 3-Phase.
- 3-Phase requires System PCB Rev B.
- If using an expansion board, the board must have fuse-protection.

# Electrical Service Configuration Options

## Systems with PCB Rev B Only

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### Single Service, IT Electrical System (No Neutral) Line - Line voltage is 230VAC (1 x 16 Amp or 1 x 32 Amp) 3 Wires (2 Lines + 1 Protective Earth)

Protective Earth wire (Green/Yellow) must be connected to system ground terminal as marked.

*All equipment (pumps, blower, and heater) runs on service line L1 with L2 acting as the return.*

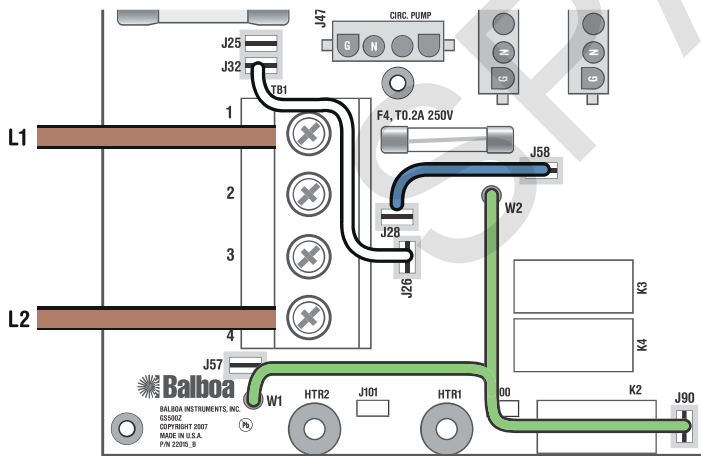
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For 1 x 16 Amp Service:  
DIP Switch A10 must be ON.

For 1 x 32 Amp Service:  
Set DIP Switch A10 such that total system amperage draw never exceeds rated service input.

Systems using multiple DIP switches for heat disable:  
Refer to system Hot Sheet DIP Switch Definition page and set the switches shown in Table 1 such that total system amperage draw never exceeds rated service input.

OPTIONAL



### 3-Phase Service, IT Electrical System (No Neutral) Line - Line voltage is 230VAC 4 Wires (3 Lines + 1 Protective Earth)

Protective Earth wire (Green/Yellow) must be connected to system ground terminal as marked.


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L3   
Line 3 - Cap (Insulate) end,  
Do not connect.

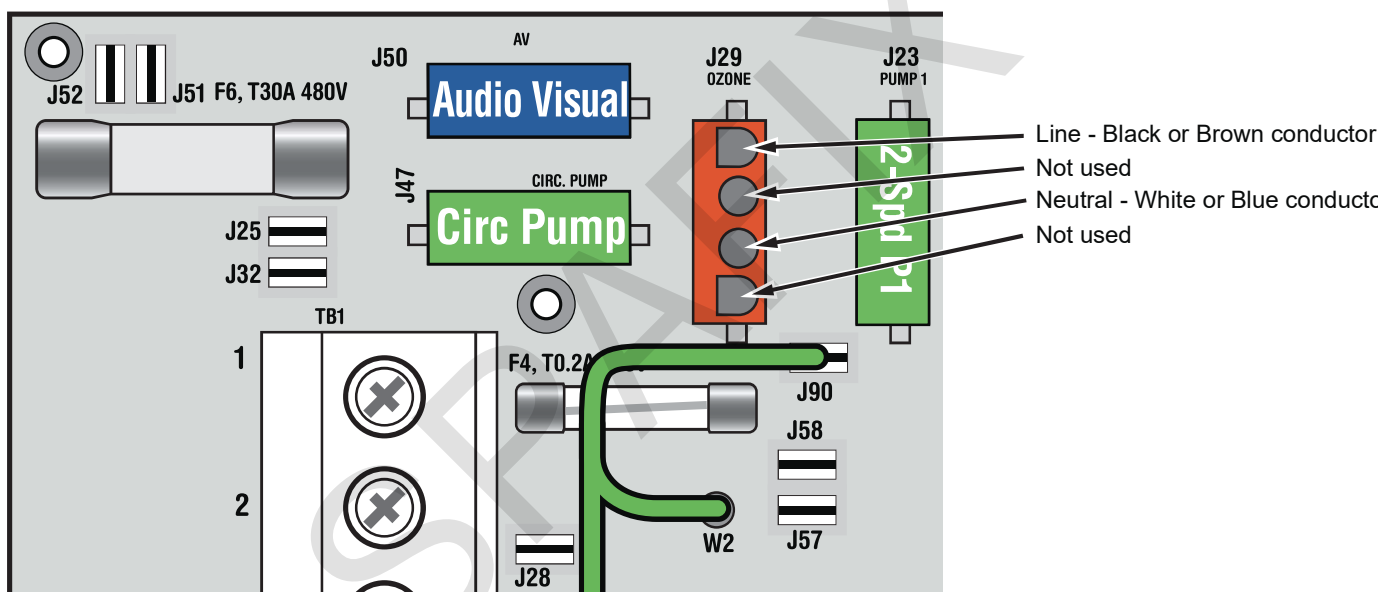
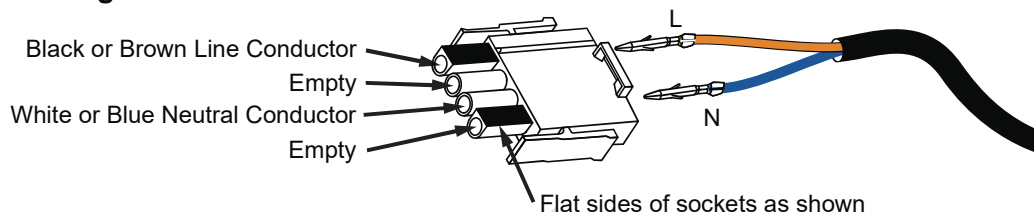
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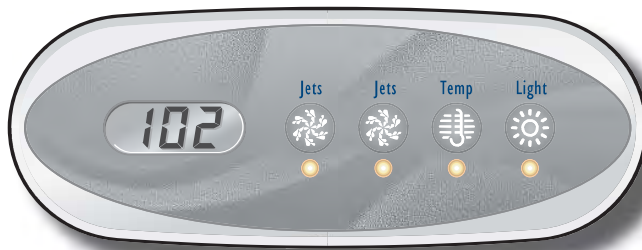
# Ozone Connections

*Note: A special tool is required to remove the pins from the connector body once they are snapped in place. Check with your Balboa Account Manager for information on purchasing a pin-removal tool.*

## Balboa Ozone connector configuration for 230VAC 50Hz:



# Duplex Panel Configurations



- VL200 (LCD Lite Digital)  
 PN 52312 with Overlay PN 11127
- Connects to Main Board terminal J1
  - DIP Switch A3 must be on



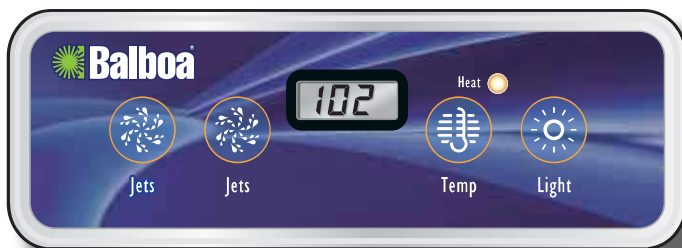
- VL240 (MVP240)  
 PN 55569 with Overlay PN 11764 (Gray Plastic)  
 PN 53636 with no O/L (White Plastic)
- Connects to Main Board terminal J1
  - DIP Switch A3 must be on



- VL260 (MVP260)  
 Overlay PN 11725  
 PN 55049 with White Plastic  
 PN 55050 with Gray Plastic  
 PN 55051 with Clear Plastic
- Connects to Main Board terminal J1
  - DIP Switch A3 must be on



- VL400  
 PN 55129 with Overlay PN 11822
- Connects to Main Board terminal J1
  - DIP Switch A3 must be off



- VL401 (LCD Lite Digital)  
 PN 54251-01 with Overlay PN 11671
- Connects to Main Board terminal J1
  - DIP Switch A3 must be off

DUPLEX

# Duplex Panel Configurations



- VL402 (LCD Super Duplex)  
PN 54107 with Overlay PN 10764
- Connects to Main Board terminal J1
  - DIP Switch A3 must be off



- VL403 (LED Lite Digital)  
PN 54104 with Overlay PN 10752
- Connects to Main Board terminal J1
  - DIP Switch A3 must be off



- VL404 (LED Digital Duplex)  
PN 51248 with Overlay PN 10418
- Connects to Main Board terminal J1
  - DIP Switch A3 must be off



- VX10  
PN 55608 with Overlay PN 40107
- Required for Blower
  - Connects to Main Board terminal J2

DUPLEX

AUX