Use/Installation
GUIDE

5 SERIES
Rear Downdraft Ventilators
VDD5300
VDD5360
VDD5450
VDD5480
### READ AND SAVE THESE INSTRUCTIONS

**WARNING**

**TO REDUCE THE RISK OF FIRE, ELECTRIC SHOCK, OR INJURY TO PERSONS, OBSERVE THE FOLLOWING:**

1. Use this unit only in the manner intended by the manufacturer. If you have questions, contact the manufacturer at the address or telephone number in the warranty.

2. Before servicing or cleaning unit, switch power off at service panel and lock the service disconnecting means to prevent power from being switched on accidentally. When the service disconnecting means cannot be locked, securely fasten a prominent warning device, such as a tag, to the service panel.

3. Installation work and electrical wiring must be done by a qualified person(s) in accordance with all applicable codes and standards, including fire-rated construction codes and standards.

4. Sufficient air is needed for proper combustion and exhausting of gases through the flue (chimney) of fuel burning equipment to prevent backdrafting. Follow the heating equipment manufacturer’s guideline and safety standards such as those published by the National Fire Protection Association (NFPA), and the American Society for Heating, Refrigeration and Air Conditioning Engineers (ASHRAE), and the local code authorities.

5. When cutting or drilling into wall or ceiling, do not damage electrical wiring and other hidden utilities.

6. Ducted fans must always be vented to the outdoors.

7. To reduce the risk of fire, use only metal ductwork.

8. Do not install this product with the activating switch directly behind a burner or element. Minimum distance between the switch and the edge of the burner should be 4 inches.

9. Loose-fitting or hanging clothing should never be worn when operating this appliance. They may be ignited by burners/elements on cooktop.

10. Children should not be left alone or unattended in the area where this appliance is in use.

11. This unit must be grounded.

12. To reduce the risk of fire or electric shock, it is recommended that the downdraft be installed with a dedicated circuit separate from the appliance.

**TO REDUCE THE RISK OF A RANGE TOP GREASE FIRE:**

a) Never leave surface units unattended at high settings. Boilovers cause smoking and greasy spillovers that may ignite. Heat oils slowly on low or medium settings.

b) Always turn hood ON when cooking at high heat or when cooking flaming foods.

c) Clean ventilating fans frequently. Grease should not be allowed to accumulate on fan or filter.

d) Use proper pan size. Always use cookware appropriate for the size of the surface element.

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**WARNING**

**TO REDUCE THE RISK OF INJURY TO PERSONS IN THE EVENT OF A RANGE TOP GREASE FIRE, OBSERVE THE FOLLOWING:**

1. SMOTHER FLAMES with a close-fitting lid, cookie sheet, or metal tray, then turn off the burner. BE CAREFUL TO PREVENT BURNS. If the flames do not go out immediately, EVACUATE AND CALL THE FIRE DEPARTMENT.

2. NEVER PICK UP A FLAMING PAN - You may be burned.

3. DO NOT USE WATER, including wet dishcloths or towels - a violent steam explosion will result.

4. Use an extinguisher ONLY if:
   A. You know you have a Class ABC extinguisher, and you already know how to operate it.
   B. The fire is small and contained in the area where it started.
   C. The fire department is being called.
   D. You can fight the fire with your back to an exit.

*Based on “Kitchen Firesafety Tips” published by NFPA.

**CAUTION**

1. **TO REDUCE THE RISK OF FIRE OR INJURY, DO NOT INSTALL WITH COOKING PRODUCTS THAT HAVE A GRIDDLE.**

2. For indoor use only.

3. For general ventilating use only. Do not use to exhaust hazardous or explosive materials and vapors.

4. To avoid motor bearing damage and noisy and/or unbalanced impellers, keep drywall spray, construction dust, etc. off power unit.

5. Clean filters and grease-laden surfaces frequently.

6. Do not repair or replace any part of this appliance unless specifically recommended in this manual. All other servicing should be done by a qualified technician.

7. Please read specification label on product for further information and requirements.

8. **TO REDUCE THE RISK OF FIRE and electric shock, install this downdraft only with blower models shown below. Other blower models cannot be substituted. (Blowers sold separately).**

   Flex Blower Model VDVI600
   Exterior Blower Models VDVE900, VDVE1200

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**INSTALLER:**
Save this manual for Electrical Inspector and Homeowner to use.
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These parts are included with your downdraft housing:
1. Parts Bag
2. Support Legs
3. Trim Kit
4. Electrical Panel
5. Support Brackets

**PLANNING**

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Due to its flexible design, this downdraft system can be used to exhaust airborne contaminants when cooking with a variety of gas or electric cooking appliances - including cooktops, rangetops, slide-in ranges and free-standing ranges.

It can be mounted in island, peninsula, or conventional wall location. The blower (purchase separately) and electrical panel can be mounted to the downdraft unit, inside the cabinet, or in a convenient remote location.

This unit can be easily installed following these basic steps:
- Cut out the countertop opening.
- Mount the unit in the cabinet.
- Install the blower and electrical panel.
- Connect the ductwork and electrical.
- Mount the trim/door.
- Install the cooking appliance.

Note: the high level of air flow of this appliance may effect the gas flame on some types of gas cooktops. This is NORMAL and will cause no harm, but can be corrected by lowering the speed of the blower.

**ELECTRICAL SPECIFICATIONS**

Model VDVI600 - Internal Flex:
120 VAC • 60 Hz • 3.0 A

Models VDVE900, VDVE1200 - Exterior
120 VAC • 60 Hz • 6.0 A (max.)

**TAKE MEASUREMENTS**

1. Refer to the cooktop installation instructions for dimensions of cooktop, countertop cut-out, and cabinet requirements. However, it is recommended that oversized cabinets be used for easier installation.

2. Cooktop depth can vary greatly from one to another. This may cause the fit of these two appliances to be rather tight.

Pay special attention to the areas of potential interference highlighted below. A countertop with (A) a raised lip and/or (B) a backsplash may not allow enough flat countertop for a proper installation. Note that 2-3/4" of flat countertop is required behind cooktop and that 2-1/2" is necessary between the back edge of the cooktop and the inside of cabinet back.

Note: Remove all protective film and packaging before operation. In order to remove all protective film and packaging, raise the ventilator housing and remove the front panel to access the filter area.

**PLAN THE DUCTWORK**

1. The downdraft blower system is designed for use with 8" round ductwork using a flex blower or 10" Round ductwork using a remote blower. (Purchase blowers separately.) Six (6) different discharge connections are available - with side-to-side adjustment for accurate alignment of ductwork:
   - A = 8" Round, Left Discharge out of Flex Blower
   - B = 8" Round, Right Discharge out of Flex Blower
   - C = 8" Round, Down Discharge out of Flex Blower (Electrical Box to be mounted remotely)
   - D = 2" x 19¾", Left Discharge out of Housing to Remote Blower or Flex Blower in remote location. Use 2" x 19¾" to 8" round transition, 2" x 19¾" to 10" round transition, or 2" x 19¾" ductwork as appropriate.
   - E = 2" x 19¾", Right Discharge out of Housing to Remote Blower or Flex Blower in remote location. Use 2" x 19¾" to 8" round transition, 2" x 19¾" to 10" round transition, or 2" x 19¾" ductwork as appropriate.
   - F = 2" x 19¾", Rear Discharge out of Housing to Remote Blower or Flex Blower in remote location. Use 2" x 19¾" to 8" round transition, 2" x 19¾" to 10" round transition, or 2" x 19¾" ductwork as appropriate.

2. For best performance: Choose the ducting option which allows the shortest length of ductwork and a minimum number of elbows and transitions. Check location of floor joists, wall studs, electrical wiring or plumbing for possible interference.
PLAN THE WIRING

1. This downdraft blower using the Flex Blower (purchase separately) draws 3.0 Amps and requires a 120 VAC, 60 Hz circuit. If using a remote blower (purchase separately), the system draws 6.0 Amps (max.) and requires a 120 VAC, 60 Hz circuit.
2. The unit has a 18 in. long power cord with a 3-pronged plug. Plan to provide a grounded outlet in a location which will allow the unit's power cord to reach.
3. Install electrical box according to local codes.
4. The length of cable from the electrical box to the downdraft is 20 in.
5. The length of blower (sold separately) cable to the electrical box is 5 ft.

PREPARE THE DOWNDRAFT

Use the dimensions in the above illustration to help plan how and where to provide duct access through your cabinet. Generally, 1-7/8" x 19" rectangular duct will be used through left, right, and back of cabinet - while 8" round duct will be used through cabinet floor.

For left, right, or rear exhaust:
Allow at least 18" for transition and elbow or blower.

For left/right exhaust:
A 30" deep cabinet is recommended to align properly with flex blower. Flex blower can be mounted to rear cabinet wall or to a platform/frame (not provided) on the base of the cabinet floor. (See flex blower instructions).

Cabinet depths of 24" to 30" are required - depending on the type of cooking appliance.

CAUTION:
BEFORE CUTTING HOLE IN CABINET FOR DUCTWORK, check for interference with floor joists, wall studs, electrical wiring, or plumbing.

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Installations using FLEX BLOWER (in remote location) or REMOTE BLOWER only:

4. Use the REMOTE DISCHARGE PLATE and determine its location on FRONT PANEL.

Use a combination of COVER PLATES (3” and/or 6” wide) to close the opening on side(s) of remote discharge plate.

Slide the remote cover plate and cover plates between the LOWER CHANNEL and the clamp channel. Tighten the hex nuts to secure the plates in place.

All Installations:

5. Slide UPPER SUPPORT BRACKETS into SLIDE CHANNEL at top left and right of unit.

Attach LONG OR SHORT SUPPORT LEGS (depending upon cabinet height) to bottom sides of unit with HEX SCREWS provided. Do not tighten hex screws completely at this time.
Installations using FLEX BLOWER only:

7. Attach BLOWER SUPPORT LEGS with (4) SCREWS provided.

CAUTION: If flex blower will be mounted remotely: Do not use legs alone for support. It may be necessary to add extra support for the flex blower. Use mounting brackets supplied with the blower.

Installations ducting through left, right or rear only:

(Requires purchase of 2" x 19" to 8" or 10" round transition and 2" x 19" rectangular duct cut to appropriate length.)

8. Remove only one RECTANGULAR DISCHARGE COVER.

9. Beneath the rectangular discharge cover just removed - Use pliers to bend (6) tabs outward 90°. Use these tabs to connect 2" x 19" rectangular ductwork or 2" x 19" to 8" or 10" round transition to housing when installing ductwork.

Installations where ELECTRICAL PANEL needs to be mounted in a remote location only:

6. Remove (4) HEX NUTS and ELECTRICAL PANEL. 5-ft. extension cables (purchase separately) may be needed to mount electrical panel in a remote location. Do not use more than 2 extension cables. Do not mount electrical panel with vent holes facing down.

Electrical Panel Dimensions

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Ducting out right side of housing shown.
CUT COUNTERTOP OPENING

1. Lay out and cut the cooktop cut-out far enough FORWARD so downdraft will fit behind it.
2. Set cooktop in place and slide it as far forward as possible without exposing an gaps. Center and square it with edges of countertop.

3. Place the plastic template against the back flange of the cooktop or back edge of slide-in range countertop opening. Center the template. Trace around template to mark the downdraft opening.
4. Remove cooktop from countertop.

INSTALL HOUSING INTO CABINET

1. Remove cooktop.
2. Set housing into cabinet / countertop opening as far back as possible and make sure it is level.
3. Extend SUPPORT LEGS and attach to bottom of cabinet with (2) SCREWS through each leg. Tighten HEX SCREWS.
4. Extend UPPER SUPPORT BRACKETS and attached to sides of cabinet with (2) SCREWS through each bracket.
5. Loosen (4) SCREWS attaching BLOWER SUPPORT LEGS to FLEX BLOWER. Extend legs and secure them to bottom of cabinet with a SCREW through each bracket.
INSTALL DUCTWORK

CAUTION: Before cutting hole in cabinet for ductwork, check for interference with floor joists, wall studs, electrical wiring, or plumbing.

1. Cut hole in cabinet as well as holes in wall or floor as necessary.
2. Mount the roof or wall cap and work back towards the cabinet, attaching all ductwork, elbows and transitions as previously planned. Tape all ductwork connections to make them secure and air tight.
3. Connect ductwork (and transition, if required) to downdraft.

INSTALL ELECTRICAL WIRING

Installations using FLEX BLOWER only:

CAUTION: All electrical wiring should be done by a qualified person(s) in accordance with all applicable codes and standards.

1. Mount a standard wiring box, with 3-pronged receptacle, within reach of the downdraft’s power cord.
2. Run appropriate power cable and connect it to receptacle.
3. Connect blower wires to wires in wiring box. Black to black, white to white, blue to blue, orange to orange, gray to red, and green to ground screw.
4. Replace wiring box cover.

Installations using REMOTE BLOWER only:

CAUTION: All electrical wiring should be done by a qualified person(s) in accordance with all applicable codes and standards.

1. Mount a standard wiring box, with 3-pronged receptacle, within reach of the downdraft’s power cord.
2. Run appropriate power cable into cabinet and connect it to electrical box and receptacle.
3. These exterior or in-line blower can be used: Models VDVE900, VDVE1200 - Exterior 120 VAC • 60 Hz • 6.0 A (max.)
4. Run 2-wire plus ground power cable from the exterior or in-line blower to wiring box on adaptor plate. Remove WIRING BOX COVER.
5. Connect blower wires to power cable from exterior or in-line blower. Black to black, white to white, and green to ground screw.
6. Replace wiring box cover.
7. Plug ELECTRICAL PANEL CABLE into RECEPTACLE at bottom/right of downdraft housing.
8. Plug the downdraft’s power cord into the outlet. Make sure that the power cord is routed away from the heat generated by the cooktop.

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INSTALL FINISH TRIM

1. Attach FINISH TRIM to top/left and top/right of DOWNDRAFT HOUSING with screw provided.

INSTALL COOKING APPLIANCE

1. Align the cooking appliance with downdraft and fasten appliance in place following appliance instructions.

Note: Accurate alignment of cooking appliance and downdraft is necessary to ensure that there is no interference when air vent is raised and lowered. There should be a gap of 1/32” - 1/16” between the back of the cooktop and the front of the downdraft cover.

MAKE-UP AIR DAMPER (OPTIONAL)

Connects to 2 CONTACTS on ELECTRICAL PANEL.
Compatible with G6MD and G8MD damper.

RANGE TRIM KIT (OPTIONAL)

Available for application with free-standing range - where gap is present between back of range and downdraft.
OPERATION

4-Speed Fan Speed Control
Press + button to increase fan speed.
Press - button to decrease fan speed.
After maximum speed is reached, press + button once more to turn off fan.

2-Level Task Light
Press once for LOW setting.
Press 2x for HIGH setting. Icon will illuminate.
Press 3x to turn task light OFF.

30-Hour Filter Clean Reminder
After 30 hours of blower “ON” time, filter clean icon will blink continuously.
To reset, touch and hold icon for 2 or more seconds. Indicator will turn off.

Up / Down Button
To raise / lower chimney, touch up / down button. Any feature that is active will shut off when chimney is retracting. All functions will return to their previous settings when chimney is raised.
USE AND CARE

WARNING: Always disconnect electric power supply before cleaning and/or servicing unit.

Always turn the downdraft blower on before you begin cooking to establish an air flow in the kitchen. Let the blower run for a few minutes to clean the air after you turn the cooktop off. This will keep the whole kitchen cleaner and brighter.

Cleaning

To clean grease filters: Remove front panel and take out the (2) grease filters. Wash filters in a mild detergent solution or a dishwasher. Replace filters before using downdraft.

To clean inside chimney: Remove filters. Pull front panel up and out. Use a mild detergent. DO NOT USE ABRASIVE CLOTH, STEEL WOOL PADS, OR SCOURING POWDERS. Replace front panel and filters before using downdraft.

Servicing

It may be necessary to remove the downdraft blower system from the cabinet in order to service components such as the blower motor or air vent mechanism.

Disconnect power to the cooktop and remove it first. Reverse the steps under “INSTALL HOUSING INTO CABINET” to remove the downdraft from the cabinet.

SERVICE INFORMATION

Only authorized replacement parts may be used in performing service on the appliance. All servicing should be referred to a qualified technician.

Contact Viking Range, LLC, 1-888-(845-4641), for the nearest service parts distributor in your area or write to:

VIKING RANGE, LLC
PREFERRED SERVICE
111 Front Street
Greenwood, Mississippi 38930 USA

Record the following information indicated below. You will need it if service is ever required.

Model number ____________________________
Serial number ____________________________
Date of purchase ________________________
Date installed ____________________________
Dealer’s name ____________________________
Address __________________________________

These installation instructions should remain with the unit for future reference.
WARRANTY

DOWNDRAFT WARRANTY
ONE YEAR FULL WARRANTY

Downdrafts and all of their component parts, except as detailed below**, are warranted to be free from defective materials or workmanship in normal residential use for a period of one (1) year from the date of original retail purchase. Viking Range, LLC, warrantor, agrees to repair or replace, at its option, any part which fails or is found to be defective during the warranty period.

**FULL NINETY (90) DAY COSMETIC WARRANTY: Product is warranted to be free from cosmetic defects in materials or workmanship (such as scratches on stainless steel, paint/porcelain blemishes, etc.) for a period of ninety (90) days from the date of original retail purchase or closing date for new construction, whichever period is longer. Any defects must be reported to the selling dealer within ninety (90) days from date of original retail purchase. Viking Range, LLC uses high quality processes and materials available to produce all color finishes. However, slight color variation may be noticed because of the inherent differences in painted parts and porcelain parts as well as differences in kitchen lighting, product locations, and other factors. Therefore, this warranty does not apply to color variation attributable to such factors.

†FULL NINETY (90) DAY WARRANTY IN “RESIDENTIAL PLUS” APPLICATIONS: This full warranty applies to applications where use of the product extends beyond normal residential use, but the warranty period for products used in such applications is ninety (90) days. Examples of applications covered by this warranty are bed and breakfasts, fire stations, private clubs, churches, etc. Under this “Residential Plus” warranty, the product, its components and accessories are warranted to be free from defective material or workmanship for a period of ninety (90) days from the date of original retail purchase. This warranty excludes use of the product in all commercial locations such as restaurants, food service locations and institutional food service locations.

FIVE YEAR LIMITED WARRANTY ON VENTILATION MOTORS

Any ventilator motor which fails due to defective materials or workmanship (excluding cosmetic failures) in normal household use during the fourth through fifth year from the date of original retail purchase will be repaired or replaced, free of charge for the part itself, with the owner paying all other costs, including labor. This does not include ignition systems, burner bases, etc.

TERMS AND CONDITIONS

This warranty extends to the original purchaser of the product warranted hereunder and to each transferee owner of the product during the term of the warranty and applies to products purchased and located in the United States, Mexico, and the Caribbean (excluding Cuba, Dominican Republic, and Haiti). Products must be purchased in the country where service is requested. If the product or one of its component parts contains a defect or malfunction during the full warranty period after a reasonable number of attempts by the warrantor to remedy the defect or malfunction, the owner is entitled to either a refund or replacement of the product or its component part or parts. Replacement of a component part includes its free installation, except as specified under the limited warranty. Under the terms of this warranty, service must be performed by a factory authorized Viking Range, LLC service agent or representative. Service will be provided during normal business hours, and labor performed at overtime or premium rates shall not be covered by this warranty.

Owner shall be responsible for proper installation, providing reasonable and necessary maintenance, proving proof of purchase upon request, and making the appliance reasonably accessible for service. The return of the Owner Registration Card is not a condition of warranty coverage. You should, however, return the Owner Registration Card so that Viking Range, LLC can contact you should any question of safety arise which could affect you.

This warranty gives you specific legal rights, and you may also have other rights which may vary from jurisdiction to jurisdiction.

WHAT IS NOT COVERED BY THIS WARRANTY: This warranty shall not apply to damage resulting from abuse, failure to provide reasonable and necessary maintenance, accident, delivery, negligence, natural disaster, loss of electrical power to the product for any reason, alteration, outdoor use, improper installation, improper operation, or repair or service of the product by anyone other than an authorized Viking Range, LLC service agency or representative. This warranty does not apply to commercial use.

LIMITATION OF REMEDIES AND DURATION OF IMPLIED WARRANTY: OWNER’S SOLE AND EXCLUSIVE REMEDY FOR A CLAIM OF ANY KIND WITH RESPECT TO THIS PRODUCT SHALL BE THE REMEDIES SET FORTH ABOVE. VIKING RANGE IS NOT RESPONSIBLE FOR CONSEQUENTIAL OR INCIDENTAL DAMAGE, INCLUDING BUT NOT LIMITED TO FOOD OR MEDICINE LOSS, DUE TO PRODUCT FAILURE, WHETHER ARISING OUT OF BREACH OF WARRANTY, BREACH OF CONTRACT OR OTHERWISE. Some jurisdictions do not allow the exclusion or limitation of incidental or consequential damages, so the above limitation or exclusions may not apply to you. ANY IMPLIED WARRANTIES OF MERCHANTABILITY OR FITNESS FOR A PARTICULAR PURPOSE APPLICABLE TO THIS PRODUCT ARE LIMITED IN DURATION TO THE PERIOD OF COVERAGE OF THE APPLICABLE EXPRESS WRITTEN LIMITED WARRANTIES SET FORTH ABOVE. Some states do not allow limitations on how long an implied warranty lasts, so the above limitation may not apply to you.

WARRANTY SERVICE

To obtain warranty service, contact an authorized Viking Range, LLC service agent, or Viking Range, LLC 111 Front Street, Greenwood, Mississippi 38930, (888) 845-4641. Provide model and serial number and date of original purchase or closing date for a new construction. For the name of your nearest authorized Viking Range, LLC service agency, call Viking Range, LLC. IMPORTANT: Retain proof of original purchase to establish warranty period.

Specifications subject to change without notice.

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