

# DigiQ® DX3 User Guide

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# 1 Safety Warnings

## INSTALLATION/SAFETY INFORMATION:

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**Read and understand this user's guide completely before installing or using this product!**



**WARNING: KEEP YOUR CONTROL DRY!** Allowing the control to get wet can cause damage to its electronics and/or make it operate incorrectly, causing a hazardous condition.



**WARNING: FIRE HAZARD, BURN HAZARD!** Even quality electronics can fail **CAUSING THE FAN TO RUN CONSTANTLY, RESULTING IN EXCESSIVE TEMPERATURES!** Power draft fans can get the pit temperature higher than natural draft. Use extra caution in opening the pit and determining fan placement. Always inspect the probe wires for damage which can cause the fan to run constantly causing the pit to become excessively hot.



**WARNING: FIRE HAZARD, BURN HAZARD! FLAMES, SPARKS, AND LIT EMBERS CAN EXIT ANY OPENING ON THE PIT CAUSING FIRE!**

Keep the pit located a safe distance away from flammable objects including buildings, walls, solvents, cars, fuel, wood piles, furniture, etc. and use caution when opening the pit. An ember that has fallen or is ejected from the pit can be blown by a light wind into a garage or other structure, debris field, woods, or grass field and cause fire. Have a fire extinguisher and water supply available near the pit. If the pit is used on a wooden or combustible surface such as a wooden deck, place the pit on a non-flammable pad intended for this purpose.



**WARNING: FIRE HAZARD, BURN HAZARD!** Even quality electronics can fail and cause the temperature to read incorrectly. Use a redundant dial thermometer as a backup temperature sensor to verify the control's reading of the pit temperature.



**WARNING: SMOKE CAN COMBUST WHEN OXYGEN IS INTRODUCED AND PRODUCE SEVERE BURNS! ALWAYS USE CAUTION WHEN OPENING THE LID OR DOOR OF THE PIT.**



**WARNING: PIT FIRES CAN OCCUR WHEN LIQUIDS ARE SPILLED OR WHEN SURFACES INSIDE THE PIT REACH THE IGNITION**

**TEMPERATURE OF FATS!** Never pour or toss water directly onto a fat fire. Reduce the temperature by cooling the fire in the firebox with a water spray. Close the cooking chamber door and the firebox while it is steaming to smother the fire. Repeat this procedure as necessary to get the pit fire under control.

**NOTE:** Pit fires can be largely avoided if the pit is kept clean and free from fat buildup during or between cooks. Changing drip trays during a cook cycle helps keep flammable fats in the pit to a minimum. Keep cooking temperatures low enough to avoid ignition.



**WARNING: THERE ARE HOT SURFACES ON ALL PARTS OF THE PIT BEFORE, DURING, AND AFTER COOKING!** Wear protective clothing when tending the pit, attempting to extinguish a fire, or dumping a firebox in a proper ash receptacle. Be ready to call your local fire company in the case of an emergency situation.

**CAUTION:** Fire danger is always present even in the best conditions. Continuously perform safety precaution procedures.



**WARNING: SHOCK HAZARD, HIGH VOLTAGE!** The power supply for this product is plugged into a 120 or 240 VAC Mains. **THIS VOLTAGE CAN CAUSE INJURY OR DEATH. KEEP THE POWER SUPPLY AWAY FROM WATER AND OFF OF THE GROUND. NEVER TOUCH THE POWER SUPPLY IF IT GETS WET.**

## 2 BBQ Guru Limited Warranty & Return/Repair Policy

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### RETURN CRITERIA:

To qualify, all returns and exchanges must be accompanied by the original receipt, the original documentation, instruction manuals, parts and components (including probes, controller, and accessories) and the original manufacturer packaging. Failure to include such items may prevent or delay your refund or exchange.

For refund or exchange, items must be in a condition that permits us to resell them. BBQ Guru will not accept the following items for return: (i): items that have been personalized or customized; (ii): special order items, if not part of BBQ Guru retail sales offering; (iii): items that have been used, altered or that show wear or damage; (iv): gift cards; (v): services.

**DigiQ DX3 controls and fans** (2 year limited warranty) BBQ Guru warrants these products to be free from defect in workmanship and materials for a period of 2 years from the date of original purchase. The warranty is not transferable.

**Pit/Food probes, A/C adapters, and other accessories** (90 day limited warranty) BBQ Guru warrants these products to be free from defect in workmanship and materials for a period of 90 days from the date of original purchase. The warranty is not transferable.

Should the unit malfunction within the warranty period, you must get a Return Material Authorization (RMA) number to return it to the factory by emailing a description of your problem and your name, address, email, phone number, and date of purchase to [customerservice@thebbqguru.com](mailto:customerservice@thebbqguru.com). If defective, it will be repaired or replaced (at the discretion of BBQ Guru) at no cost. There are no user serviceable parts on this unit.

This warranty is void if the unit shows evidence of tampering or being subjected to moisture, excessive heat, corrosion or other misuse including use of any component with any product not manufactured by BBQ Guru. Components with wear or damage due to misuse will not be covered under warranty.

If your control, probe, power pack, or fan is malfunctioning and is out of warranty, we may be able to troubleshoot it by phone or email. If it is determined that your part has been damaged in any way during use, we will recommend that you purchase a new part. BBQ Guru shall not be responsible for any damage or losses, however caused, which may be experienced as a result of the installation or use of this product.

## 3 DigiQ® DX3 Features

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- Smart Cook full-time adaptive control algorithm learns the pit for better stability and accuracy
- Digital high intensity “Blaze Red” LED display
- Armored high-temperature pit and food probes
- Controls the pit and monitors the food temperature
- Open lid detect senses when the pit’s lid is open to minimize temperature disturbance
- Exclusive low and slow Ramp mode lowers the pit temperature as food temperatures approach the done setpoint so the food never overcooks
- Audible alarm option to sound for food done
- Adjustable deviation alarm sounds when the pit’s temperature goes too high or too low by a settable value
- Adjustable beeper intensity setting
- Displays in degrees F or C
- 32 to 475 degrees F range with +/- 2 ° F accuracy (see page 10 on cook temperature rounding)
- Runs on 100-240VAC (for worldwide use) or 12VDC for automotive supply use

## 4 Probes

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The probes provided with the DigiQ DX3 are precision stainless steel thermocouples. The thermocouple wires have an armor braid with moisture and smoke resistant Teflon insulation that is rated for steady-state temperatures up to 500 degrees F. The user can pass these thin wires under the lid of the pit or through a small hole without creating a large gap which would allow air to get through (air intrusion). Be careful not to kink these wires or let them come in contact with flames. These probes are user-replaceable and are available at [www.bbqguru.com](http://www.bbqguru.com); we recommend having a spare set for unforeseen emergencies.



**Important Note:** Be sure to fully insert your probes into the control. Push the plug into the receptacle until you feel and hear it snap in place. If you do not plug the probes in securely, you may experience sporadic temperature readings and the DigiQ DX3 will not control your pit accurately. The temperature may also read low, causing your pit to get excessively hot.



**Important Note:** The pit probe must be placed in the pit for proper temperature regulation. If the pit probe is not located in the pit, proper control will not take place. This can cause the fan to run constantly causing your pit to become excessively hot.



**Important Note:** Some ceramic grills present a special-case situation that can lead to early probe failure.

If you use a heat diffuser, run the probe cables over one of the ceramic legs. The heat coming up through the gaps is intense and focused, and if the cable is exposed to this heat, it begins to break down much more quickly than usual.

Even if you do not use a heat diffuser, any heat or flame event inside your pit can send a blast of heat – even flames – up the inside of the pit, sometimes ruining a probe instantly. In this case, we recommend placing a disposable pan inside the pit to create a safe zone for your probes. This can be done with or without a heat diffuser.

It is the insulation that makes ceramic cookers so versatile and makes special steps necessary. Follow these steps and you can experience the 2-3 year probe life that is common with other types of smokers.

### 4.1 Food Probe

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If the food probe will not be used, it should be unplugged before applying power to the DigiQ DX3, not during operation. This will allow the DigiQ DX3 time to configure its alarm operation to prevent false food alarms. The food probe can also be left plugged in, but not inserted into the food.

# 5 Power Draft Fans

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All fans are equipped with an adjustable damper and an aluminum nozzle.

The slide damper can be completely closed to kill the fire or can be adjusted to a small opening for cold smoking. This feature allows fine adjustments to be made due to natural drafts that affect cooking temperature during the fan's off cycle. Testing on different settings is recommended. Open the damper fully for quick start up or grilling at high temperatures. Close halfway for smaller cookers or low and slow cooking. Close three-quarters of the way for cold smoking.

# 6 Key Operation

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- FOOD** Shows the food temperature when pressed
- PIT** Shows the pit temperature when pressed
- UP** Indexes the setpoint up
- DOWN** Indexes the setpoint down
- FOOD + PIT** Powers the unit on or off when both buttons are held
- UP + DOWN** Enters the setup menu when both buttons are held

## KEY PRESS CHIRP

When the Beeper Intensity is set to above 0, any key press will cause an acknowledge chirp. Setting the Beeper Intensity in the menu to 0 will disable the chirp.

## SILENCING THE BEEPER WITH ANY KEY PRESS

Any time the beeper is sounding, press any key to silence it and clear the alarm condition. To turn the beeper off, set the Beeper Intensity in the menu to 0.

# 7 Powering Up

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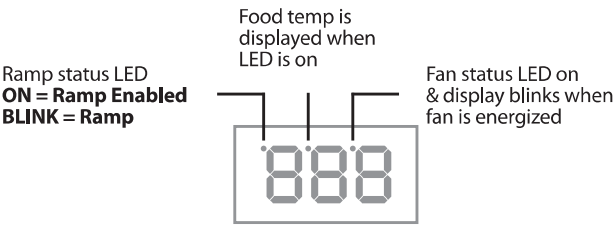
Upon applying power, the DigiQ DX3 will show 888 to test the display and then show the version number.

If there is a brief or sustained power interruption at any time while cooking, the DigiQ DX3 will automatically restart and continue to control the pit at the same settings that were originally set.



# 8 The Display

The DigiQ DX3’s three digit LED display has three status indicators.



## FAN STATUS INDICATOR

The Fan Status Indicator and Fan Display Warble will help determine how the fire is being controlled. When there is sufficient fuel in the pit, the fan will gently puff the fire, feeding it little bursts of oxygen. When the fan is energized, the display will blink about once per second (fan warble) and the Fan Status indicator will turn on. When the pit starts to run out of fuel, the fan will run almost all of the time.

## DETERMINING THE OUTPUT PERCENTAGE FROM THE FAN WARBLE

The Fan Warble is designed so that the output percentage of the fan can be determined by counting how many display blinks (warbles) occur in a given cycle as per the table below:

BLINK PATTERN	OUTPUT %
None	0
... (1 Blink) → (Pause) → (1 Blink) → (Pause) ...	10
... (2 Blinks) → (Pause) → (2 Blinks) → (Pause) ...	20
... (3 Blinks) → (Pause) → (3 Blinks) → (Pause) ...	30
... (4 Blinks) → (Pause) → (4 Blinks) → (Pause) ...	40
... (5 Blinks) → (Pause) → (5 Blinks) → (Pause) ...	50
... (6 Blinks) → (Pause) → (6 Blinks) → (Pause) ...	60
... (7 Blinks) → (Pause) → (7 Blinks) → (Pause) ...	70
... (8 Blinks) → (Pause) → (8 Blinks) → (Pause) ...	80
... (9 Blinks) → (Pause) → (9 Blinks) → (Pause) ...	90
Continuously Blinking	100

**TIP:** If the output percentage is around 80-100% for a long time, the pit may be running out of charcoal. If the output percentage is around 10% for a long time and the temperature is oscillating, close the fan damper adjustment slightly for better control.

## 8.2 Food Done Message



When the food temperature reaches or exceeds the food setpoint, the display will indicate that the food is done and the beeper will sound.







## 8.3 Over/Under Range Temperature

If the temperature goes below 32° or above 475° F on the food or pit probe, the display will show:



## 8.4 Food or Pit Temperature Displays

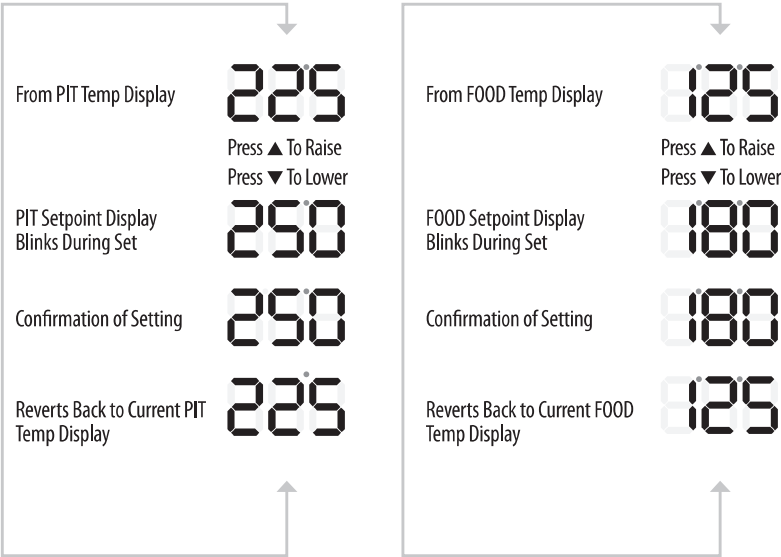
The DigiQ DX3 can display either the Food or Pit temperature. The default is Pit. Press the Food button once to display food temperature, then press Pit to return.

To Display <u>PIT</u> Temperature		To Display <u>FOOD</u> Temperature	
(Showing FOOD Temp)		(Showing PIT Temp)	
Select PIT Display - PRESS:		Select FOOD Display - PRESS:	
FOOD Temp LED Off — Shows PIT Temp		FOOD Temp LED On — Shows FOOD Temp	

# 9 Setting the Setpoints

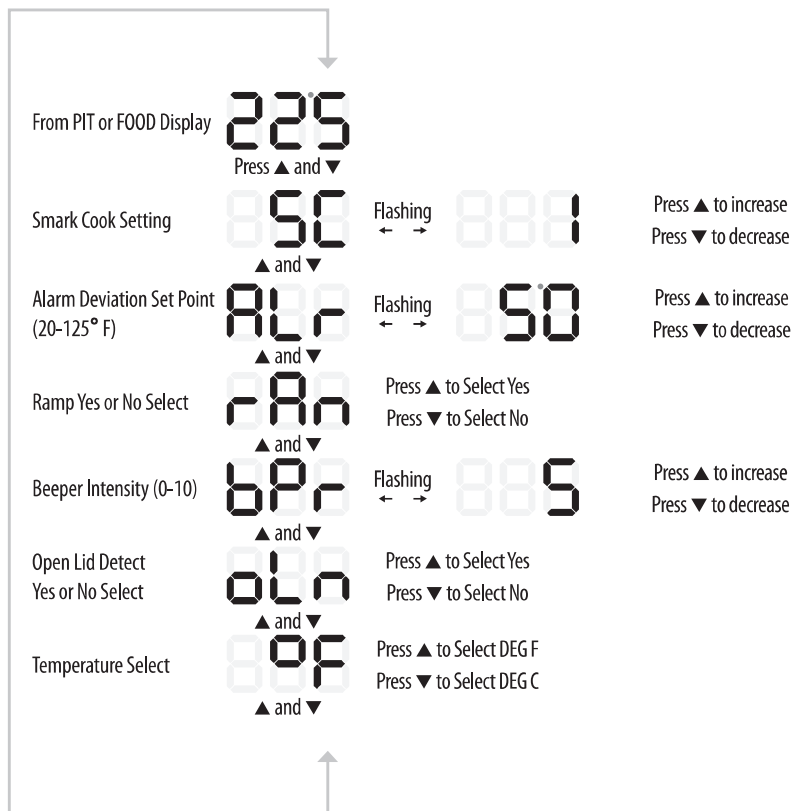
To display the pit setpoint temperature, tap the UP or DOWN key while displaying the pit temperature. To set the pit setpoint simply press the UP or DOWN key.

To display the food setpoint temperature, tap the UP or DOWN key while displaying the food temperature. To set the food setpoint simply press the UP or DOWN key.



# 10 Setup Menu

Press the UP & DOWN keys simultaneously to enter the setup menu. The screens below are shown in the order they appear as the UP + DOWN keys are pressed again. When the F/C select is reached and the UP + DOWN keys are pressed again, the setup menu loops, so the pit temperature will be displayed again.

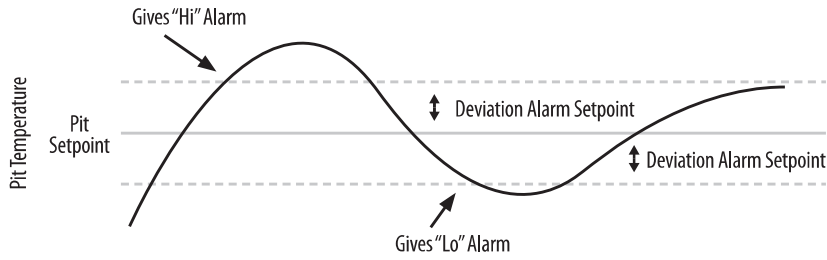


## 10.1 Alarm Deviation Setpoint

If the temperature of the pit deviates above the setpoint by the alarm deviation setpoint, the alarm will sound and the display will blink **H** . If the temperature of the pit deviates below the setpoint by the alarm deviation setpoint, the alarm will sound and the display will blink **Lo** .

The alarm will not sound when the control is first powered up and the pit is cold. The alarm is only enabled once the temperature gets close to the pit temperature setpoint. The alarm deviation is settable from 20 to 125 degrees F and the factory default is 50 degrees F.

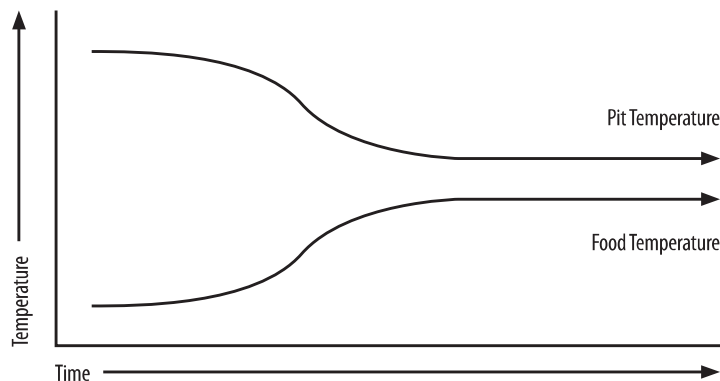
If the ramp feature is turned on and the pit is actively ramping, the only time that the low alarm will become active is if the pit temperature drops 20 degrees below the food setpoint temperature.



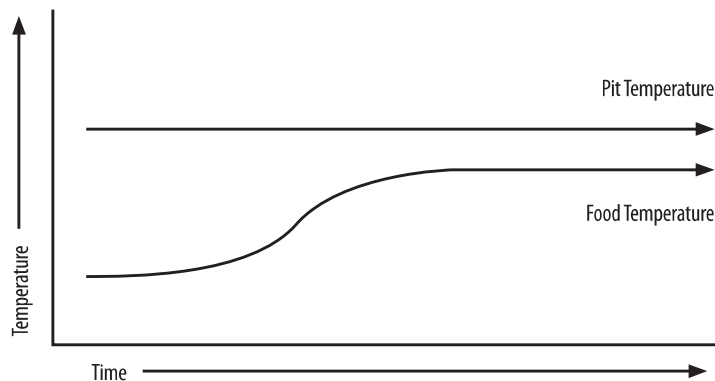
## 10.2 Ramp Mode

When the ramp is set to **RY** (ramp yes), the low and slow ramp mode is enabled. This mode is used for slow cooks so the food never overcooks. This feature will gradually lower the pit temperature to the food setpoint temperature when the food is within 30 degrees of being done. The controller will hold the pit temperature slightly above the food setpoint as long as there is fuel.

The factory default setting is **RN** (ramp no), so ramp must be enabled to use it. Note: when using this feature, the pit temperature can be started higher than normal to reduce cook time and not overcook the food. If the food probe is not plugged in and the ramp mode is turned on, the ramp LED will be on but no ramping will take place.



Food/Pit Plot with Ramp Set to Yes **RY**



Food/Pit Plot with Ramp Set to No **RN**

## 10.3 Beeper Intensity

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The Beeper Intensity can be adjusted from 0-10. 0 is off, 1 is a small, infrequent chirp and a 10 is a frequent, loud beep. The factory default is 4. If you have multiple pits, this feature is useful for distinguishing one pit from another, by giving each one a unique beep duration.

## 10.4 Open Lid Detect

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This feature will allow quick recovery to the setpoint temperature after the lid is opened. When the open lid is set to **oLy** (open lid yes), open lid detect is enabled. When the lid is opened, the temperature will drop. This can cause the fan to over-fire the coals and cause overshoot when the lid is shut. This mode detects when the pit's lid is open and minimizes the fan running during that time. Some overshoot will always be present when the pit's lid is opened and closed even if the fan is off, because it still introduces oxygen to the fire. The factory default is **oLy**, so disable this feature if there are problems with excess air currents in the pit. To disable this feature, set it to **oLn** (open lid no). To prevent false alarms, the alarm will not sound when the temperature drops and the lid is open.

### **OPEN LID DETECT – OVERSHOOT ELIMINATOR**

When the open lid detect is enabled, the rate that the temperature rises in the pit will be limited, preventing over-firing. This will make a typical startup to a temperature of 250 degrees F take a minimum of 20 minutes and will help to eliminate startup overshoot.

# 11 Smart Cook Adaptive Control Strategy

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The DigiQ DX3's Smart Cook Adaptive Control Strategy is designed to operate with a wide variety of pits by continually learning what the pit is doing and adapting to many factors such as outside air temperature, amount of charcoal, damper settings, etc. For the DigiQ DX3 to work properly and determine how to adapt, the temperature inside the pit cannot oscillate up and down and the lid must stay closed. If the lid is opened often, especially on startup, the control cannot be expected to maintain setpoint. If the lid is left closed for approximately 10-20 minutes, the temperature will become stable after the control adapts. If the lid has been shut for at least 20-30 minutes and the temperature is going up and down significantly (+/- 10 degrees or more), the fan damper needs to be closed more. The pit may run a few degrees high or low due to various conditions but the control will bring it back to the setpoint. Pit temperatures of 20 degrees high or low rarely have an effect on the quality of food.

## **SMART COOK SETTINGS:**

The Smart Cook feature allows you to tailor the adaptive algorithm to suit your specific pit even more. Accessing this feature is described in section 12 Menu Setup.

**Setting 1:** Default setting. This setting is ideal for small, medium and some large ceramic cookers, traditional Weber kettles, and small cabinet smokers. On setting 1, your fan will operate at 100% until your pit is 30 degrees away from your desired cooking temperature. It will then begin to cycle the fan, until it reaches your target temperature.

**Setting 2:** This setting is ideal for insulated pits that are very efficient like the Monolith or Weber Summit. On setting 2, your fan will operate at 100% until your pit is 40 degrees away from your desired cooking temperature. It will then begin to cycle the fan at fewer intervals, until you reach your target temperature.

**Setting 3:** This setting is ideal for uninsulated or offset pits that are less efficient than an average pit like the Weber Smokey Mountain or common horizontal offset smokers that you see at your local hardware stores. On setting 3, your fan will operate at 100% until your pit is 20 degrees away from your desired cooking temperature. It will then begin to cycle the fan at more frequent intervals, until you reach your target temperature.

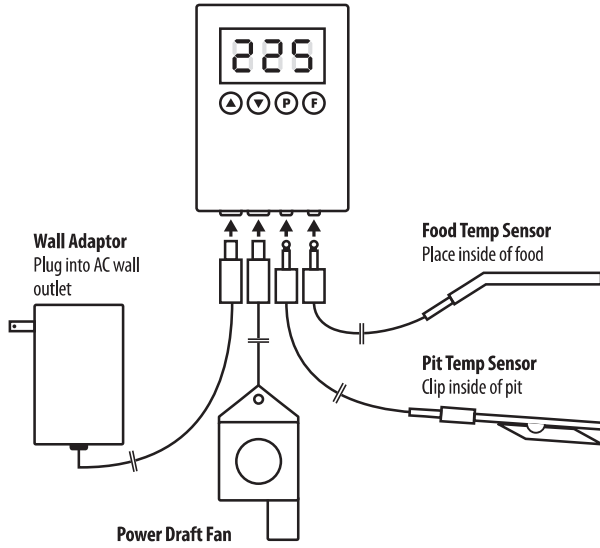
## **SNAP TO SET POINT**

Air currents in your grill or smoker can make a sensitive and accurate instrument like the DigiQ DX3 read actual temperatures rapidly (ie: 223, 224, 223, 225, 224, 226, etc. when the pit temperature is set to 225°F). The DigiQ DX3 control is programmed to snap to the pit setpoint temperature when the pit is within +/- 5 degrees of the temperature set.



## 12 Connections

From left to right: Power Input, Fan Output, Pit Probe, Food Probe, per the diagram below:



## 13 Building a Proper Fire for Good Control

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How you build the fire in your pit is critical for good control, especially at low cooking temperatures. Stack the charcoal inside your pit so it's shaped like a pyramid, small at the top and large at the bottom. Light the fire by lighting a few coals at the top. Do not over-fire the charcoal or light it at the bottom, because this will only cause your pit to over-fire during startup. Some overshoot is normal; try setting your cook temperature 15-20 degrees low when starting and raising it after your food is on and the temperature has stabilized.

### **ELIMINATING LARGE FLUCTUATIONS IN THE PIT TEMPERATURE**

Normally the DigiQ DX3 will be able to adjust the airflow via the fan to deliver precise control and no damper adjustment will be required. If the pit has become over-fired or if the fire was built too big, large temperature swings (+/- 10 degrees or more) may occur. To eliminate this, restrict the airflow by adjusting the fan damper. Try closing the damper to half the current setting and the pit should stabilize within 10-15 minutes after adjustment.

### **EXTINGUISHING THE PIT**

If there is fuel left over from the cook, save this fuel by closing off any open dampers, removing the fan, and plugging the fan adaptor opening with a kill plug. This will put the fire out in approximately 30-45 minutes.

## 14 Contact BBQ Guru

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### **BBQ Guru**

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Phone: 800-288-GURU (4878)

# 15 Fan Damper

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With a fan-controlled firebox, you need to be able to adjust the amount of air being blown into the firebox. In addition, natural draft may affect cooking temperature when the fan is off. While arriving at final settings requires testing and experimentation, as a general rule it is good to start with the slide damper fully open on offset and large cabinet pits, halfway open on medium-size vertical or cabinet pits, and one-third to half open on kettles, bullet, and ceramic pits. This should support cooking from 225° F to 275°F.



Your fan may look differently than pictured. The effect of the damper opening and closing remains the same.

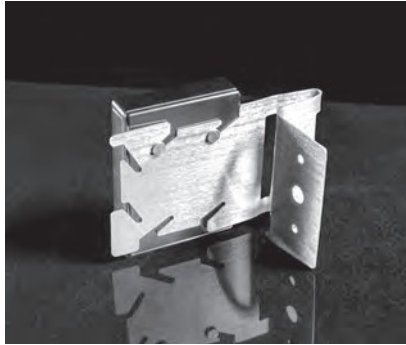
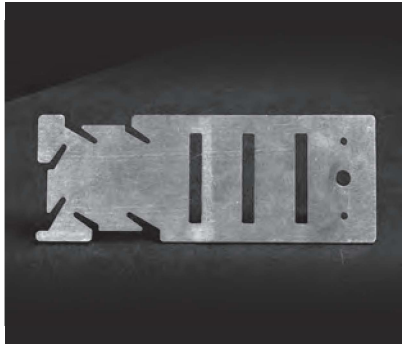
The top damper functions differently with a fan-controlled system than with a natural-draft system. Where the fan damper controls the amount of air flowing into the pit, the top damper influences the amount of air flowing out. We recommend keeping the top damper open as little as possible in order to retain heat and smoke in the cooking chamber, consistent with reaching the desired cooking temperature.

Close the damper completely to extinguish the fire after cooking or remove the fan and insert the silicone kill plug into the adaptor.

# 16 Stainless Steel Universal Bracket

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Shape and bend the bracket to suit your needs.



# 17 Troubleshooting Guide

PROBLEM		CAUSE	REMEDY
My GURU won't power on or nothing is visible on the DISPLAY.	My GURU won't power on.	There isn't power getting to the CONTROL UNIT.	Make sure the POWER SUPPLY is securely plugged into the CONTROL UNIT.
			Make sure that the outlet that the GURU is plugged into is active and working.
			The POWER SUPPLY might be damaged or the POWER JACK on the CONTROL UNIT might be damaged.**
	My GURU is plugged in and the alarm and/or FAN is working but nothing is visible on the DISPLAY.	There is not enough power coming from the POWER SUPPLY to cause the DISPLAY to work.	Try a different power outlet and see if the DISPLAY works.
			Your POWER SUPPLY might be damaged**
		The DISPLAY on your GURU is damaged.	You will have to return your GURU to have the CONTROL UNIT repaired or replaced.**
My cooker won't reach or stay at the temp I have set on the GURU.	My GURU is attached and running but my cooker won't reach the desired temp.	Old charcoal or ash may be blocking holes in your fire grate and preventing air from flowing freely to the fire.	Make sure you have cleaned out all of the old charcoal in the bottom of your cooker so that air can freely flow to the fire.
			Your FAN has a slide damper. Make sure that damper isn't completely closed.
		The FAN might not be getting enough air to the fire.	Make sure the FAN is plugged in tightly to the GURU and check to make sure it's running and air is coming out. If the FAN is plugged in securely and it's not running while the CONTROL UNIT is cycling then the FAN is damaged or there is a problem with your CONTROL UNIT.**

PROBLEM		CAUSE	REMEDY
My cooker won't reach or stay at the temp I have set on the GURU. (Cont'd)	My GURU is attached and running but my cooker won't reach the desired temp. (Cont'd)	FAN isn't running or making any noise.	It's possible debris has fallen into the FAN nozzle and is keeping the FAN from turning. Unplug the FAN and remove the debris and see if the FAN starts working again.
			Make sure the FAN is not melted. If the FAN is left on the cooker after a cook the heat from the cooker can travel back into the FAN nozzle and melt the plastic blades which keeps the FAN from spinning. If the FAN is melted you will need to purchase a replacement at <a href="http://www.bbqguru.com">www.bbqguru.com</a> .
			The OPEN LID DETECT feature is on which causes the GURU to wait to calculate all of the air introduced into the cooker before turning the FAN back on after the lid is open. In this case just wait for the GURU to begin cycling again or turn OPEN LID DETECT off.
			Ice may have formed in the FAN motor. This happens in very cold conditions where condensation from inside the cooker drains into the FAN and then freezes during an off cycle. In this case remove the FAN and let it warm up and it should begin functioning normally again.
	My GURU is overshooting my desired PIT TEMP.	Too much air is getting to the fire and causing the PIT TEMP to spike.	Close the damper on your FAN to 1/2 open and wait 5-10min and see if the PIT TEMP starts to go down towards your desired temp.
			Close the exhaust damper on your cooker to only 1/4-1/8 of the way open then wait 5-10min and see if the PIT TEMP starts to go down towards your desired temp.

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My cooker won't reach or stay at the temp I have set on the GURU. (Cont'd)	My GURU is overshooting my desired PIT TEMP. (Cont'd)	Too much air is getting to the fire and causing the PIT TEMP to spike. (Cont'd)	Inspect your cooker and make sure that it's sealed tightly at the firebox and there aren't any places allowing air to come in and contact the fire. Most lower-cost and entry-level smokers and cookers will require extra gasketing that is not provided from the manufacturer to make them more air tight so that the only way the fire can get air is through your FAN. This gasketing will also make your cooker more efficient and burn less charcoal.
			Make sure your OPEN LID DETECT feature is turned ON. This feature allows the GURU to detect when you open your cooker and the PIT TEMP drops. If this feature is turned OFF the GURU will think your pit temp is dropping on it's own and it will run the FAN while your lid is open and this will cause the PIT TEMP to spike.
		My FAN is running constantly even when the PIT TEMP is above the desired set temp.	Try unplugging the CONTROL UNIT and plugging it back in to re-boot and see if that causes the FAN to run normally.
			If rebooting the CONTROL UNIT doesn't help you might have a bad relay in either the FAN or the CONTROL UNIT.**
PIT TEMP Displayed is Wrong.	PIT TEMP on GURU is different than on cooker dome thermometer.	It's normal for the temp in the dome of a cooker to be hotter than on the cooking grate.	Thermometers that come with most cookers are not nearly as accurate as the GURU. Disregard the built-in cooker thermometer.
		If the PIT PROBE is attached too closely to the food it will display a lower temp since the food will have a cool air bubble around it.	Move the PIT PROBE 3-4" away from the food.

PROBLEM		CAUSE	REMEDY
PIT TEMP Displayed is wrong. (Cont'd)	PIT TEMP on GURU is different than on cooker dome thermometer. (Cont'd)	It's possible the PIT PROBE is damaged and not reading properly.	Swap the PIT PROBE with the FOOD PROBE in their respective jacks. If the FOOD PROBE reads correctly in the PIT JACK then you have a bad PIT PROBE. If the FOOD PROBE also reads incorrectly it may be bad as well or you might have an issue with your CONTROL UNIT.**
		The PIT PROBE is incorrectly displaying a very high temp. (Usually in the 400 degree range)	Your PIT PROBE may have a broken connection inside the wire.**
		The CONTROL UNIT may be out of calibration or be damaged.	The CONTROL UNIT comes calibrated from our factory and it is extremely rare that it will go out of calibration. Most of the time it is an issue with a bad probe.**
	PIT TEMP display shows "-- --".	If the DISPLAY reads "-- --" this means there is an error with the PIT PROBE.	Make sure the probe is pushed all the way firmly into the PIT JACK.
			Insert the PIT PROBE into the FOOD JACK and if there is still "-- --" displayed then the PIT PROBE is bad. If the temp displayed is correct then there is an issue with the CONTROL UNIT.**
		The PIT PROBE wire has small hard reddish bumps present on the outside of the mesh.	The PIT PROBE has been melted by direct flame or exposure to high temperatures. You will need to purchase a replacement PIT PROBE from <a href="http://www.bbqguru.com">www.bbqguru.com</a> .
FOOD TEMP displayed is wrong.	FOOD TEMP on GURU is different than on a different food thermometer.	It's normal for different brands of thermometers to have some temp variance but this should be within only a few degrees.	Try your non-Guru food thermometer in both boiling water and ice water and see how accurately it reads. It might be that your non-Guru food thermometer is out of calibration.



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PROBLEM		CAUSE	REMEDY
FOOD TEMP displayed is wrong. (Cont'd)	FOOD TEMP on GURU is different than on a different food thermometer. (Cont'd)	FOOD TEMP on the GURU is 15-20 degrees hotter than on my other food thermometers.	Make sure you have the FOOD PROBE fully inserted into the food. If too much of the steel shaft is exposed in the cooker it will cause the temp to read hotter since the probe is picking up heat from inside of the cooker and not the actual temp of the food.
		The FOOD PROBE is incorrectly displaying a very high temp. (Usually in the 400 degree range)	
	FOOD TEMP display shows "--".	If the DISPLAY reads "--" this means there is an error with the FOOD PROBE.	Your FOOD PROBE may have a broken connection inside the wire.**
			Make sure the probe is pushed all the way firmly into the FOOD JACK.
			Insert the FOOD PROBE into the PIT JACK and if there is still "--" displayed then the FOOD PROBE is bad. If the temp displayed is correct then there is an issue with the CONTROL UNIT.**
		The FOOD PROBE wire has small hard reddish bumps present on the outside of the mesh.	The FOOD PROBE has been melted by direct flame or exposure to high temperatures. You will need to purchase a replacement FOOD PROBE from <a href="http://www.bbqguru.com">www.bbqguru.com</a> .

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