Overview of Condensing Tankless Gas Water Heater

This water heater is a high efficiency, fully condensing appliance. Unlike a traditional tankless water heater, a condensing type captures heat from the exhaust gas and uses it to preheat the incoming cold water as it passes through the secondary heat exchanger as illustrated below.



The condensing tankless gas water heater discharges condensate.

When heat from the exhaust gas is collected within the secondary heat exchanger, condensation occurs from moisture in the exhaust gas and the resulting water is discharged from the drain pipe (approx. 2 gallons/hour (GPH) maximum). It is not a water leak. Do not plug or block the drain line as it must always be allowed to freely flow.



The condensing tankless gas water heater tends to show white steam.

After the exhaust gas passes through the secondary heat exchanger, it becomes low in temperature and moisture rich which tends to produce steam at the vent discharge terminal. This is a normal occurrence.

