# Installation Instructions for use by heating contractor

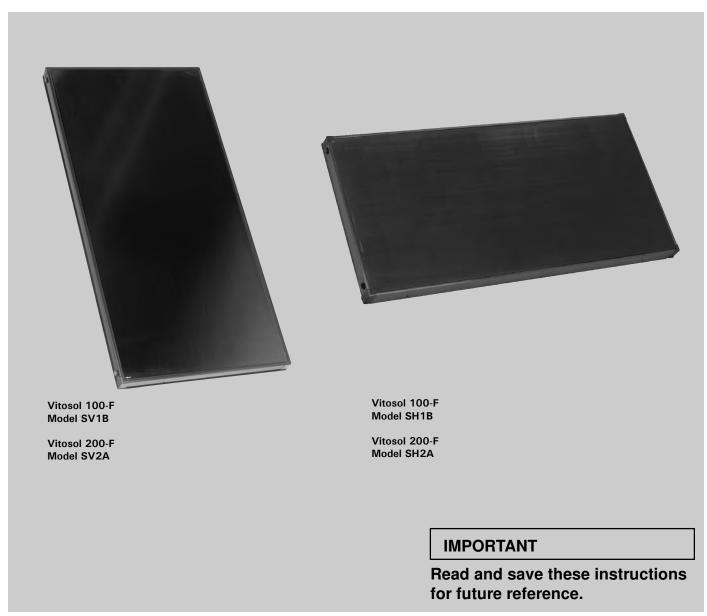


Vitosol-F Models SV, SH

Flat plate solar collectors for sloped roofs, flat roofs, walls and freestanding installation



# VITOSOL-F



### Safety, Installation and Warranty Requirements

Please ensure that these instructions are read and understood before commencing installation. Failure to comply with the instructions listed below and details printed in this manual can cause product/property damage, severe personal injury, and/or loss of life. Ensure all requirements below are understood and fulfilled (including detailed information found in manual subsections).

# Licensed professional heating contractor

The installation, adjustment, service, and maintenance of this equipment *must be* performed by a licensed professional heating contractor.

► Please see section entitled "Important Regulatory and Installation Requirements".



#### ■ Product documentation

Read all applicable documentation before commencing installation. Store documentation near boiler in a readily accessible location for reference in the future by service personnel.

► For a listing of applicable literature, please see section entitled "Important Regulatory and Safety Requirements".



#### ■ Advice to owner

Once the installation work is complete, the heating contractor must familiarize the system operator/ultimate owner with all equipment, as well as safety precautions/requirements, shut-down procedure, and the need for professional service annually.

#### ■ Warranty

Information contained in this and related product documentation must be read and followed. Failure to do so renders warranty null and void.



#### Grounding/Lightning protection of the solar system

In the lower part of the building, install an electrical conductor on the piping system of the solar circuit in compliance with local regulations. Connection of the solar system to a new or existing lightning protection or the provision of local grounding should only be carried out by a licensed professional, who must take into account the prevailing conditions on site.



#### **CAUTION**

Observe maximum load and distance from edge before installing the substructure to the roof. If necessary, consult with a structural engineer to determine if the structure is suitable for installing solar collectors. The collectors must be securely mounted so that the mountings can withstand intense wind conditions and local snow loads.



#### CAUTION

Gloves and eye protection must be worn when handling solar panels.



#### CAUTION

Solar panel connection pipes and solar heating fluid can become hot enough to cause severe burns. Extreme caution must be taken if panels have been in a stagnant condition (no flow of fluid).



#### **CAUTION**

Avoid scratching or sudden shocks to glass cover of the solar panel.



#### CAUTION

Never step on collectors or solder in close proximity to the glass surface of the solar panel.

#### ■ Applicability

Vitosol solar collectors are designed for use in closed loop heating systems for domestic hot water heating, space heating and pool heating via a heat exchanger. The use of Viessmann heat transfer medium "Tyfocor-HTL" is strongly recommended.

#### **IMPORTANT**

Pool water or potable water cannot be pumped directly through the Vitosol collectors. Damage to collectors caused by corrosion scaling or freeze damage will void warranty.

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### Important Regulatory and Installation Requirements

#### Codes

The installation of solar heating systems might be governed by individual local rules and regulations for this type of product, which must be observed. The installation of this unit shall be in accordance with local codes. Always use latest editions of codes.

#### Mechanical room

Ensure the mechanical room complies with the requirements of the system design guideline and/or technical data manual.

The solar storage tank must be installed in a mechanical room which is never subject to freezing temperatures. If not in use and danger of freezing exists in the mechanical room, ensure water in tank is drained.

#### Working on the equipment

The installation, adjustment, service, and maintenance of this equipment must be done by a licensed professional heating contractor who is qualified and experienced in the installation, service, and maintenance of solar heating systems. There are no user serviceable parts on this equipment.

Ensure main power supply to equipment, the heating system, and all external controls has been deactivated. Take precautions in both instances to avoid accidental activation of power during service work.

#### **Technical literature**

Literature applicable to all aspects of the Vitosol:

- Technical Data Manual
- Installation Instructions
- Start-up/Service and Operating Instructions
- System Design Guidelines

#### **A** CAUTION

Carefully read this manual prior to attempting installation. Any warranty is null and void if these instructions are not followed.

This product must be installed observing not only the necessary product literature (see list), but also all local provincial/state plumbing and building codes, as they apply to this product and all periphery equipment.

For information regarding other Viessmann System Technology componentry, please reference documentation of the respective product.

We offer frequent installation and service seminars to familiarize our partners with our products. Please inauire.

> The completeness and functionality of field supplied electrical controls and components must be verified by the heating contractor. These include pumps, valves, air vents, thermostats, temperature and pressure relief valves, etc.

→ Leave all literature at the installation site and advise the system operator/ultimate owner where the literature can be found. Contact Viessmann for additional copies.

### **About these Instructions**



Take note of all symbols and notations intended to draw attention to potential hazards or important product information. These include "WARNING", "CAUTION", and "IMPORTANT". See below.



#### WARNING

Indicates an imminently hazardous situation which, if not avoided, could result in substantial product/property damage, serious injury or loss of life.

→ Warnings draw your attention to the presence of potential hazards or important product information.



#### CAUTION

Indicates an imminently hazardous situation which, if not avoided, may result in minor injury or product/property damage.

→ Cautions draw your attention to the presence of potential hazards or important product information.

#### **IMPORTANT**

→ Helpful hints for installation, operation or maintenance which pertain to the product.



This symbol indicates that additional, pertinent information is to be found in the adjacent column.



→ This symbol indicates that other instructions must be referenced.

### **Product Information**



Please refer to the Vitosol 100-F and Vitosol 200-F Technical Data Manuals, Part No. 5354 729 and Part No. 5285 622 for complete technical information and product description.

The Technical Data Manuals are available for download at www.viessmann.ca or www.viessmann-us.com.

Vitosol 100-F, Models SV1B, SH1B Vitosol 200-F, Models SV2A, SH2A Flat plate solar collector

Absorber area  $25 \text{ ft.}^2 / 2.3 \text{ m}^2$ 

Max. stagnation temperature 385 °F /

196 °C

Max. operating pressure 87 psig /

6 bar

### Notes on Installation

- The entire solar heating system should be installed in accordance with the accepted rules of technology, observing all relevant accident prevention regulations.
- Employ suitable safety measures to prevent falls, falling objects and roof damage due to insufficient load bearing capacity, e.g. by means of scaffolding, ladders, cable ties etc.
- The collectors must be securely mounted so that the mountings can withstand intense wind conditions.
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#### **CAUTION**

Use only Viessmann supplied mounting clips and mounting hardware. Never drill or screw directly into collector side frames.

 Use only stainless steel screws and bolts when fastening mounting brackets or frames.

- Although the glass collectors surfaces are hail-proof, Viessmann recomends users to include storm coverage in their building insurance. Our warranty does not cover storm related damage.
- The collectors should, as far as possible, be oriented towards the south. Solar system performance drops off significantly if collectors face more than 50° off south.
- The collectors should be mounted level, or with a slight ascending slope towards the high point of the piping, so that complete venting of air is assured.
- An air vent valve (c/w shut-off valve) should be installed at the highest point of the solar heating system.

- Filling the solar heating system with Viessmann heat transfer fluid "Tyfocor-HTL" is highly recommended. Tyfocor-HTL is supplied pre-mixed and water must not be added.
  - Other heat transfer fluids may be suitable if they have the same temperature range -31°F to 338°F (-35°C to 170°C) and are non-toxic.
- In areas with extremely cold climate conditions, where outside temperatures may drop below -31°F (-35°C), the use of Tyfocor-HTL is not recommended.

Use a solar propylene glycol mixture with a higher concentration of glycol that provides the level of freeze protection required for the area of the collector installation.



#### A CAUTION

Pool water or potable water cannot be pumped directly through the Vitosol collectors. Damage to collectors caused by corrosion, freeze damage, or scaling will void warranty.

The piping inside and outside the building should be insulated to avoid heat loss. Use only high temperature resistant pipe insulation.

### **Collector Location**

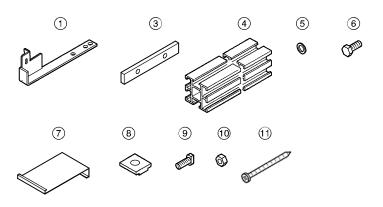


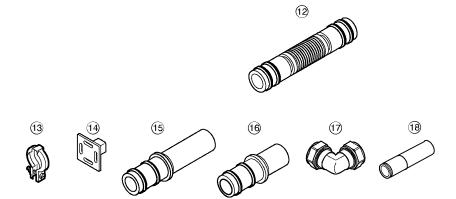
Please refer to the Vitosol System Design Guidelines, for detailed information on the optimum alignment and inclination of solar collectors.

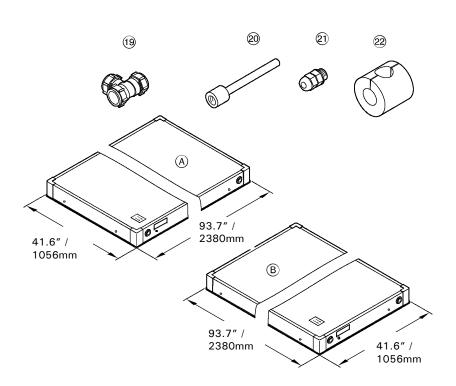
#### Optimum alignment and inclination

The solar collector provides the highest solar yield over an annual average when facing south with an inclination of approx. 30 to 45 degrees to the horizontal plane. However, the installation of a solar heating system is still viable even when the installation deviates quite significantly from the above (south-westerly to south-easterly alignment, 25 to 55 degrees inclination).

# **Overview of System Components**







#### Sloped roof mounting hardware

- (1) Roof bracket
- 3 Joining element for mounting rail
- (4) Mounting rail, 43¼" / 1098 mm or 85 <sup>5</sup>/8" / 2175 mm
- (5) Washer, Ø ¼" / 8.4 mm
- 6 Hexagon bolt, M 8 x 10
- Mounting plate
- 8 Clamping bracket
- 9 Locking bolt w/ threaded stud
- 10 Hexagon nut
- ① Stainless steel countersunk screws, 3.1" / 80 mm

# Hydronic connection accessories for one panel array

12 Interconnection pipes (7248 239)

General Connection Set (7248 240) consists of:

- 13 Pipe clip
- 14 Mounting rail end cap
- (15) Connecting pipe
- (16) Plugs
- ① Compression fitting (elbow), Ø ¾" / 22 mm, 90°
- (18) 3/4" x 4" copper adaptor (part of installation fitting set 7427 617)

# Accessories for one solar heating system

Sensor Well Set (7174 993) consists of:

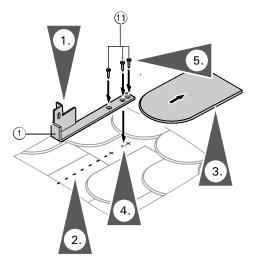
- (19) Compression fitting (tee), Ø ¾" / 22 mm
- 20 Sensor well
- 21 Strain relief fitting
- 22 Insulation

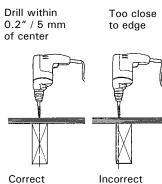
Collector, Vitosol-F, Model SV1B and SV2A

B Collector, Vitosol-F, Model SH1B and SH2A

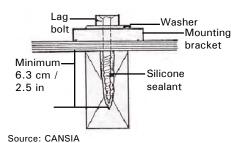
### **Installing the Mounting Frames**

Install the panel array level or slightly inclined (approximately ½" / 10 mm) towards the connection side to ensure complete venting. Always locate an air vent at the highest point in the piping.





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#### Attaching roof brackets on shingled roof

- The roof brackets ① should be laid out as close as possible to the dimensions shown in the chart on page 10 for SV collectors, and page 11 for SH collectors.
- Locate the roof joist by tapping along the roof to find its general location (stud finders do not work well through shingles and roof sheathing).
- Pry up the shingles and drill small pilot holes to locate exact location of roof joist. If necessary, check where pilot hole is coming through roof from inside of attic.
- Drill pilot holes into center of joist as shown. Fill the pilot holes and coat the bottom of roof bracket with silicone sealant.
- 5. Attach bracket to roof joist using the supplied 3.1" stainless steel screws ①. Screws should penetrate the roof joist at least 2½" / 64mm. Use longer (field supplied) screws if required to achieve necessary penetration.



#### A CAUTION

The roof bracket must be securely attached to the roof joist of the structure. Only use stainless steel attachment screws.

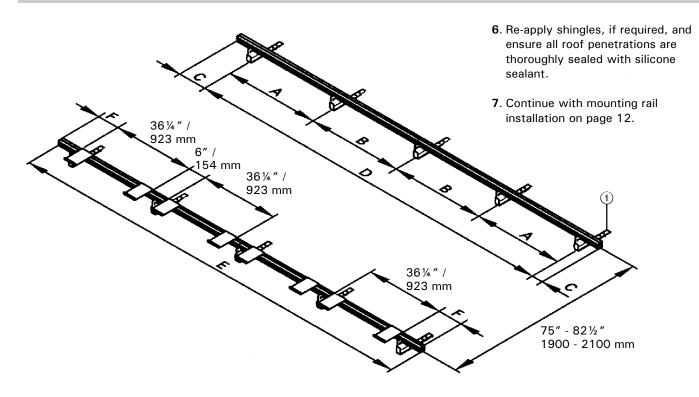


#### CAUTION

The 3.1" / 80 mm screws supplied with the mounting kit may not be sufficient length for some roof structures. The installer must ensure screws will penetrate roof joist sufficiently, and if not, must provide longer screws or lag bolts.

# Installing the Mounting Frames (continued)

#### Installation dimensions for ten Vitosol-F, Model SV collector panels



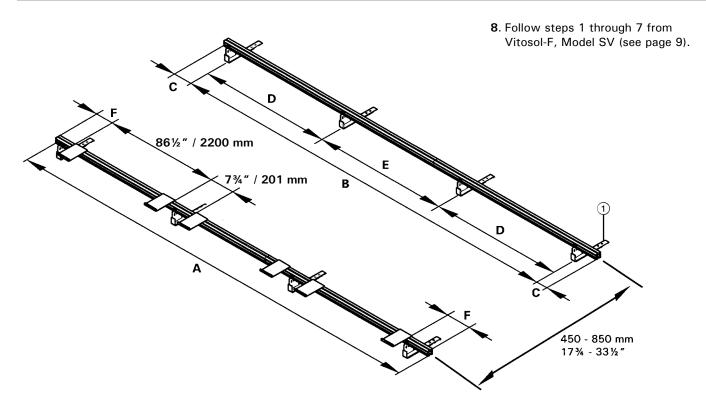
#### **Dimensions for Model SV collectors**

Number		1	2	3	4	5	6	8	10
Dim. A	mm inches	1019 40	1019 40	1019 40	1019 40	1019 40	1019 40		1019 40
Dim. B	mm inches	_	_	1077 42½	1077 42½	1077 42½	1077 42½	1077 42½	1077 42½
Dim. C	mm inches	39.5 1½	68.5 2¾	79 3	79 3	89.5 31⁄4	89.5 3½	100 4	110 4½
Dim. D*1	mm inches	1019 40	2038 80¼	3115 122½	4192 165	5269 207½	6346 249¾	334½	10654 419½
		Α	A + A	A + B + A	A + 2xB + A	A + 3xB + A	A + 4xB + A	A + 6xB + A	A + 8xB + A
Dim. E	mm inches	1098 43¾	2175 85½	3273 128¾	4350 171¼	5448 214½	6525 256¾		10875 428
Dim. F	mm inches	87.5 3½	87.5 3½	98 4	98 4	108.5 41⁄4	108.5 4¼	119 4¾	129.5 5

<sup>\*1</sup> For static reasons, maintain the stated sequence. Maintain the dimensions A and B as far as possible. Roof brackets may also be offset if you need to locate roof joist. However, always maintain the overall dimension.

# Installing the Mounting Frames (continued)

#### Installation dimensions for ten Vitosol-F, Model SH collector panels



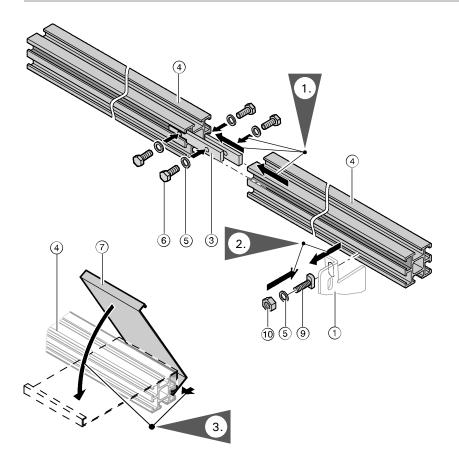
#### **Dimensions for Model SH collectors**

Number		1	2	3	4	5	6	8	10
Dim. A	mm	2422	4844	7266	9688	12110	14532	19376	24220
	inches	951⁄4	191	286¼	381½	476¾	572	763	953½
Dim. B	mm inches	2250 88½	4500 177 D+D	6901 271½ D+E+D	9302 366 D+2xE+D	11703 460½ D+3xE+D	14104 555 D+4xE+D	7441/2	23708 933½ D+8xE+D
Dim. C*1	mm	86	172	182.5	193	203	214	235	256
	inches	3½	6¾	7¼	7½	8	8½	91⁄4	10
Dim. D	mm	2250	2250	2250	2250	2250	2250	2250	2250
	inches	88½	88½	88½	88½	88½	88½	88½	88½
Dim. E	mm inches			2401 94½	2401 94½	2401 94½	2401 94½	2401 94½	2401 94½
Dim. F	mm	111	121.5	132	142.5	153	163.5	184.5	205.5
	inches	41⁄4	4¾	51⁄4	5½	6	6½	7¼	8

<sup>\*1</sup> For static reasons, maintain the stated sequence. Maintain the dimensions D and E as far as possible. Roof brackets may also be offset if you need to locate roof joist. However, always maintain the overall dimension.

### Installing the Mounting Frames (continued)

#### Installing the mounting rails



#### Note: See page 8 for numbered component description

#### **IMPORTANT**

Turn the T-slot bolts 90° for all installation steps.

If more than two collectors are being installed, rails must be joined together. Secure the joining elements
 into the mounting rails
 with bolt
 and washer

#### **IMPORTANT**

Make sure the mounting rail profile is as shown. The single slot in the rail must face upwards. Failure to install the mounting rail correctly will not allow proper mounting plate connection.

2. Secure the mounting rails 4 to the roof bracket 1 with bolt 9, nut 10 and washer 5. The locking bolt 9 must be turned 90°.

#### **IMPORTANT**

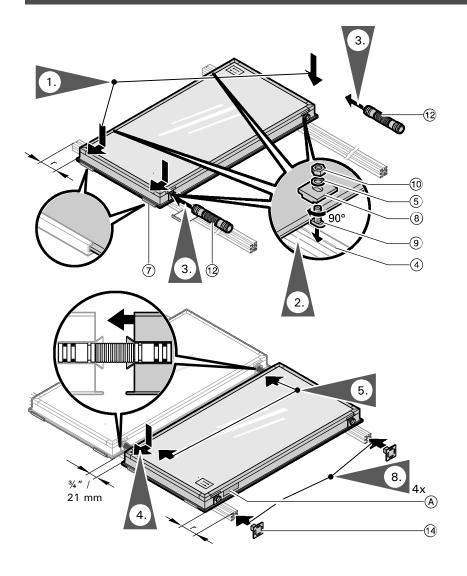
Ensure the upper and lower mounting rails are square before tightening the locking bolts. Measure from opposite corners of the top and bottom rails to ensure that array is square.

3. Hook the mounting plates 7 into lower mounting rails 4 according to the dimensions shown in the illustrations on pages 10 and 11.

#### **IMPORTANT**

Make sure the mounting plate is installed with the short bent edge connecting onto the bottom of the collector.

### **Installing the Solar Collectors**



 Rating plate (must be on the outside of the outer collectors)

#### Note:

See page 8 for numbered component description

Number of collectors		1	2	3	4	5	6	8	10
Dimension r SV collector	inches mm	0.8 21	0.8 21	1.2 31.5	1.2 31.5	1.7 42	1.7 42	2.1 52.5	2.5 63
Dimension r SH collector	inches mm	0.8 21	1.2 31.5	1.7 42	2.1 52.5	_	2.9 73.5	3.7 94.5	



#### **CAUTION**

Do not stand on the collectors.

#### **IMPORTANT**

Interconnecting pipes must be free from damage and contamination. Lubricate all plug-in joints (O-ring seals) on the collectors. Use only the special grease supplied with the connection set.

#### **IMPORTANT**

On the first and last collector, the side to which the rating plate is attached must be on the outside (see page 14). Ensure that dimension "r" is maintained for first and last collector.

- Hook the collector into its mounting plates and lay down onto the mounting rails 4.
- Secure the collector with four clamping brackets (a) onto the mounting rails. Tighten the two outer clamping bolts only. Turn the T-slot bolt (a) 90°.
- 3. Before inserting connecting pipe (2) mark the middle of the connecting pipe with a marker or a piece of tape for reference. Insert the connecting pipe into the collector until the brass section is no longer visible.

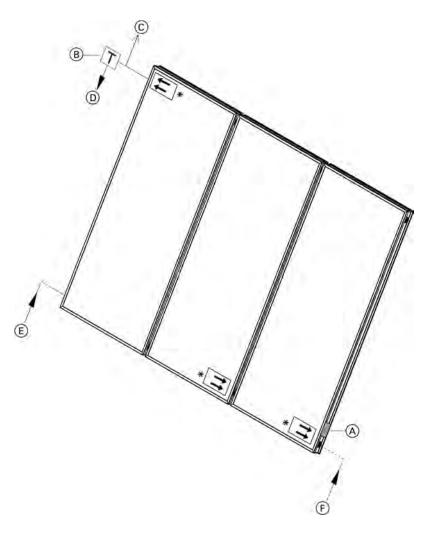
#### **IMPORTANT**

Ensure interconnection pipe is centered between collectors.

- **4.** Position the second collector as in step 1.
- 5. Carefully push the second collector against the first and insert the connecting pipes (2) until they are centered between the collectors. Distance between the two installed collectors should be 3/4" / 21 mm.
- 6. Install all additional collectors.

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### Installing the Solar Collectors (continued)



- 7. Tighten all clamping brackets (5).
- 8. Press the cover caps (14) (part of the connection set) into the mounting rails.
- Remove all labels and foil cover from glass only after the system is fully operational.



#### CAUTION

Arrows on the first and last collector in a series must point towards the outside.



### CAUTION

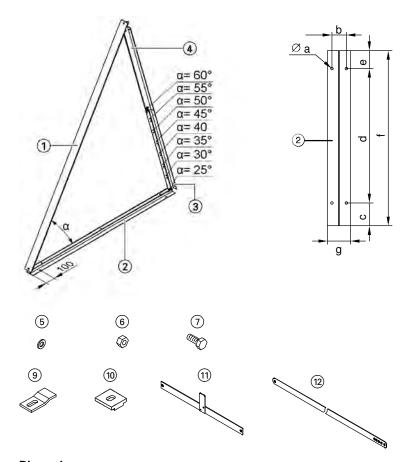
Viessmann strongly recommends not removing the cover foil from the collectors until after initial start-up in order to prevent overheating.

\* Arrow directions are to ensure balanced flow throughout the collectors.

If the collectors are not connected as shown above, it could also result in:

- Collector temperature sensor will not sense the hottest collector temperature
- The fluid flow through the collector array may be imbalanced.
- A decrease of the efficiency of the collectors.
- (A) Rating plate (must be on the outside of the outer collectors)
- B Collector temperature sensor location
- Air vent location
- D Supply pipe from collector
- (E) Return pipe to collector
- Alternate location for return pipe from collector

# Overview of System Components (Vitosol-F, Model SV)

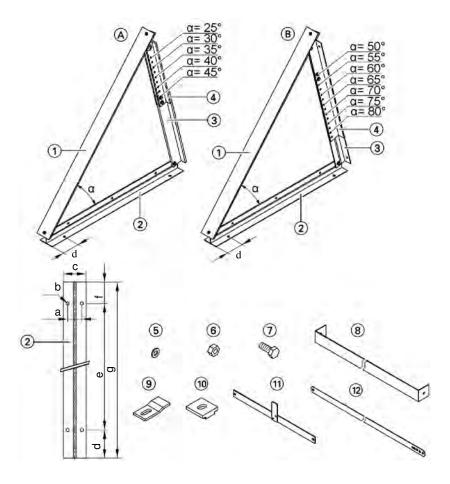


### Legend:

- Collector support
- Cross brace
- Adjustable support, lower part
- Adjustable support, upper part (2-part support)
- Washer, Ø 8.4mm
- Hexagon nut M8
- (2-part support)
  (5) Washer, Ø 8.4r
  (6) Hexagon nut M
  (7) Hexagon bolt M
  (9) Retaining plate
  (10) Clamping brack Hexagon bolt M8 x 20
- Clamping bracket
- ① Connecting brace
- (12) Connecting tie

- Ø 0.4" / 11mm
- 2" / 50mm
- 4" / 100mm
- 63" / 1600mm
- 4" / 100mm
- 71" / 1800mm
- 3" / 80mm

### Overview of System Components (Vitosol-F, Model SH)



#### Legend:

- 1 Collector support
- 2) Cross brace
- 3 Adjustable support, lower part
- 4 Adjustable support, upper part (2-part support)
- (5) Washer, Ø 8.4mm
- 6 Hexagon nut M8
- 7 Hexagon bolt M8 x 20
- 8 Ballast support rails (field supplied)
- Retaining plate
- 10 Clamping bracket
- ① Connecting brace
- (1) Connecting tie

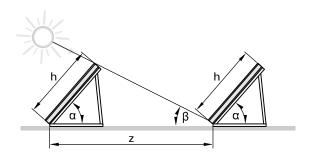
Two different versions of the collector support frames are available.

- (A) Collector support, angle of inclination adjustable from  $\alpha$  25° to 45°
- (B) Collector support, angle of inclination adjustable from  $\alpha$  50° to 80°

#### Dimensions:

- a 2" / 50mm
- **b** Ø 0.4" / 11mm
- **c** 3.1" / 80mm
- d 4" / 100mm
- e 28.4" / 722mm
- f 3" / 75mm
- g 35.3" / 897mm

### Determining the Collector Row Distance "z"



$$\frac{z}{h} = \frac{\sin (180^{\circ} - (\alpha + \beta))}{\sin \beta}$$

#### Legend:

z = Collector row distance

h = Collector height

 $\alpha$  = Collector angle of inclination

 $\beta$  = Solar angle

#### **IMPORTANT**

When installing several collectors in series, maintain a distance of "z".

#### Example:

Model SV Toronto is located at approx. 43° latitude.

1. Determine the angle of the sun  $\beta$ . This should be chosen so that the midday sun December 21 falls on the second row of collectors without being obstructed by shadows.

Solar angle  $\beta$ :

 $\beta$ = 90° - 23.5° - latitude (23.5° should be accepted as constant value for northern latitudes)

$$\beta = 90^{\circ} - 23.5^{\circ} - 43^{\circ} = 23.5^{\circ}$$

 Calculating dimension "z":
 h = 2380 mm (for model SH use 1056 mm)

 $\alpha = 45^{\circ}$ 

 $\beta$  = 23.5°

$$z = \frac{2380 \cdot \sin(180^{\circ} - (45^{\circ} + 23.5^{\circ}))}{\sin 23.5^{\circ}}$$

$$z = \frac{2380 \text{mm} \cdot \sin 111.5^{\circ}}{\sin 23.5^{\circ}}$$

z = 5553mm / 218.6"

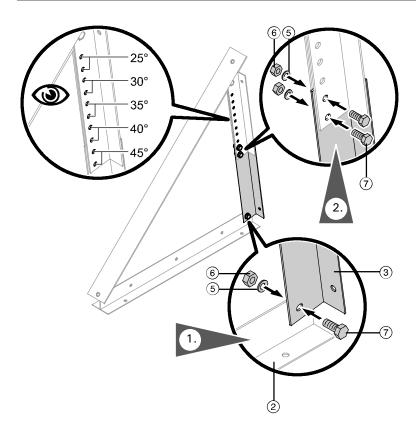


Refer to Vitosol System Design Guide for more information on calculating "z".

#### Note:

Contact Viessmann Solar Tech Support for assistance with calculating distance "z".

# Installing the Collector Supports and Adjustment of the Angle of Inclination lpha

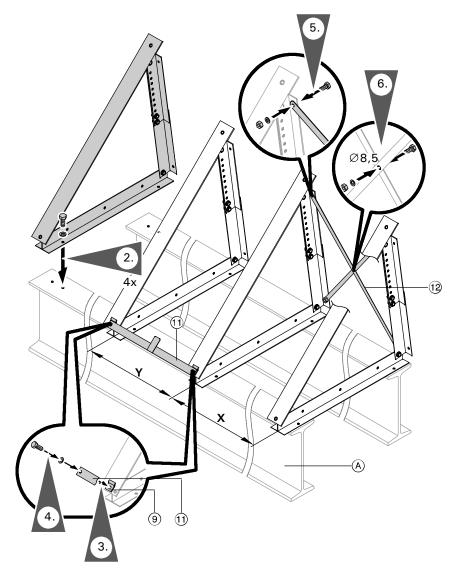


- 1. Secure the adjustable support (lower)
  3 to the bottom cross brace 2
  with bolt 7, nut 6 and washer 5.
- 2. Secure the upper and lower adjustable supports together with bolts 7, nuts 6 and washers 5, in accordance with the required angle of inclination.

#### Note:

See page 15 or 16 (depending on model) for numbered component description.

### Installing Freestanding Installation (on substructures)



(A) Substructure rails (field supplied)

#### Note:

See page 15 or 16 (depending on model) for numbered component description.

Collector model		Х	Υ
sv	inches	23.5	18.9
	mm	595	481
SH	inches	75.6	18.9
	mm	1920	481

- Mount the substructure (to be provided on site), e.g. U-channels, at right angles to and level with the installation orientation of the collectors according to the dimensions shown in the drawing.
- 2. Position and align the collector support frames according to the dimensions shown in the drawing and secure them to the substructure using stainless steel bolts (supplied by others). Use mounting plates as templates for drilling holes.



### CAUTION

Any welds or connections to the existing substructure must be supervised by a professional structural engineer.

- 3. Secure retaining plates (9) to the bottom of all collector supports; do not tighten screws yet.
- **4.** Secure connecting braces ① onto the retaining plates between the second and third, the fourth and fifth supports etc. Tighten all screws.
- **5.** Secure two connecting ties ② diagonally side by side to the adjustable supports, respectively for between one and six collectors.

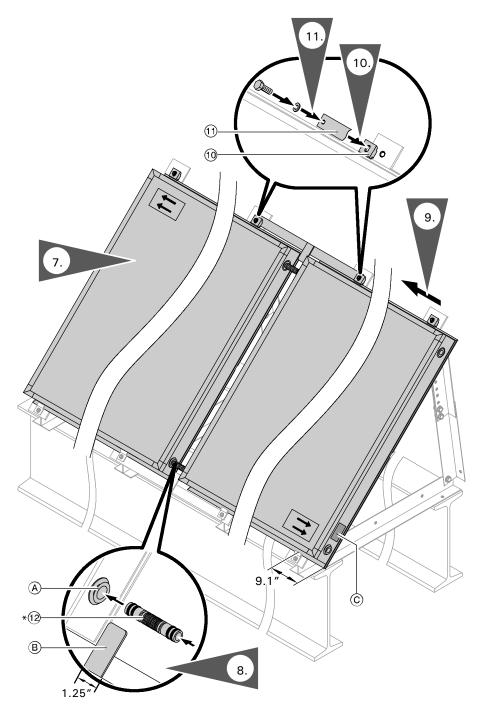
#### Note:

Only one connecting tie is supplied for 1 to 6 collectors, two connecting ties for 7 to 10 collectors.

For added stability, attach connecting ties to each other where they intersect, using field supplied nut and bolt.

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### Installing Freestanding Installation (on substructures)



#### Legend

- (A) Collector connection
- Spacer lip of the connecting brace
- © Rating plate

#### Note:

See page 15 or 16 (depending on model) for numbered component description.

\* See page 8 for numbered component description.

7. Position the first collector into the retaining plates (9) and push right up to the spacer lip of the connecting brace (1).

#### **IMPORTANT**

Install the collector panel so that the rating plate side of the first and last collector is on the outside (note sticker)! If only one collector is to be installed, connect the piping opposite the nameplate side. See page 14 for more information.

8. Before inserting interconnection pipe
 mark the middle of the connecting pipe with a marker or a piece of tape for reference. Insert the inter - connection pipe \*\* into the collector until the brass section is no longer visible.

#### **IMPORTANT**

Interconnecting pipes must be free from damage and contamination. Lubricate all plug-in joints (O-ring seals) on the collectors. Use only the special grease supplied with the connection set.

 Carefully push the next collector up to the spacer lip and insert the interconnection pipes as far as possible until they are centered between the collectors.

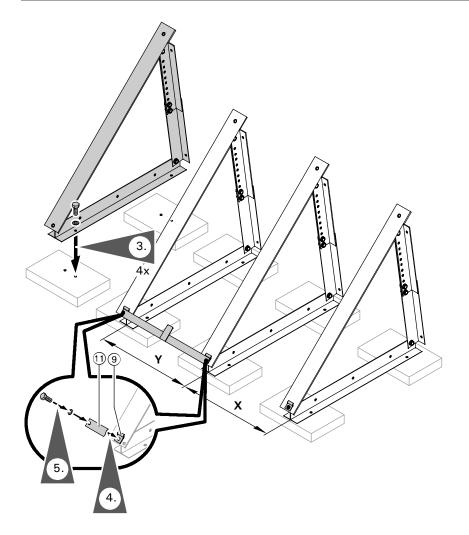
#### **IMPORTANT**

Ensure interconnection pipe is centered between collectors.

- Click clamping brackets (1) into the collector edge at the top of all supports.
- 11. Secure the connecting brace (1) turned by 180° to the next brace using the clamping brackets between the second and third, the fourth and fifth supports, etc.
- 12. The distance between collectors should be no greater than the width of the spacer lip on the connecting brace 

  B.
- 13. Tighten all screws.

### Installing a Freestanding Installation (with ballast weight inserts - for Model SH only)



 Collector model
 X
 Y

 SH
 inches mm
 75.6 18.9 481

Note:

See page 16 for numbered component description.

 Observe the max. load and distance from the edge of the roof for on-site substructure.



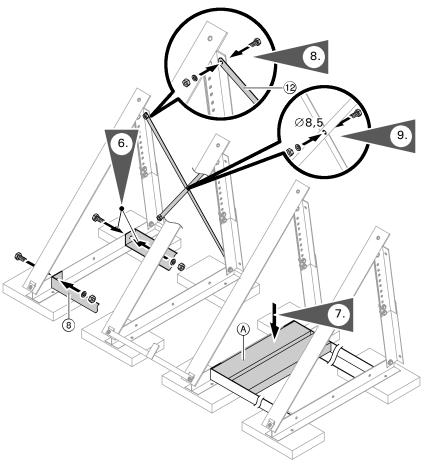
#### CAUTION

A structural engineer must be consulted to ensure that the existing roof structure is capable of carrying the additional weight of the collectors, insert weights and support slabs.

- Remove any gravel etc. from the installation area, cover the surface with protective building mats or foam insulation and position concrete slabs on top of the mats or insulation.
- Secure the support cross brace (2)
  (use as drilling template) onto the
  concrete slabs (bolts supplied by
  others).
- 4. Secure retaining plates (9) to the **bottom** of all collector supports; do not yet tighten screws.
- 5. Secure connecting braces (1) onto the retaining plates between the second and third, the fourth and fifth supports etc. Tighten all screws.

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### Installing Freestanding Installation (with ballast weight inserts - for Model SH only)



- 6. Secure the ballast support rails (8) (field supplied) between the cross braces. These rails must be based on the size and shape of ballast weights.
- **7.** Apply ballast weights (see table on page 24).
- 8. Secure two connecting ties (2) diagonally side by side to the adjustable supports, respectively for between one and six collectors.

#### Note:

Only one connecting tie is supplied for 1 to 6 collectors, two connecting ties for 7 to 10 collectors.

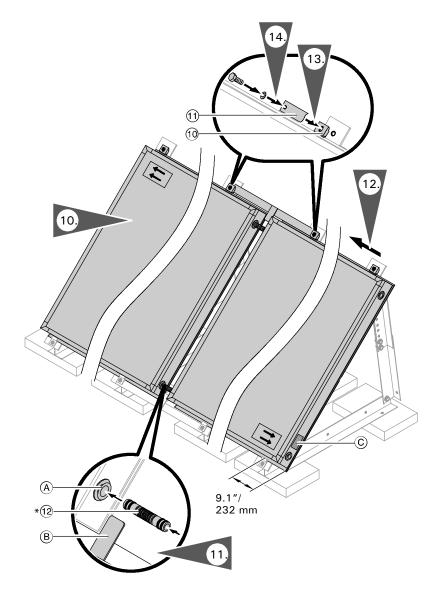
For added stability, attach connecting ties to each other where they intersect, using field supplied nut and bolt.

(A) Ballast weight insert

#### Note:

See page 16 for numbered component description.

### Installing Freestanding Installation (with ballast weight inserts - for Model SH only)



- (A) Collector connection
- B Spacer lip on connecting brace 11
- © Rating plate

#### Note:

See page 16 for numbered component description.

\* See page 8 for numbered component description.

10. Position the first collector into the retaining plates and push right up to the spacer lip of the connecting brace. Center the distance when fitting only a single collector.

#### **IMPORTANT**

Install the collector panel so that the rating plate side of the first and last collector is on the outside (note sticker)! If only one collector is to be installed, connect the piping opposite the nameplate side. See page 14 for more information.

11. Before inserting interconnection pipe (2)\*, mark the middle of the connecting pipe with a marker or a piece of tape for reference. Insert the interconnection pipe into the collector until the brass section is no longer visible.

#### **IMPORTANT**

Interconnection pipes must be free from damage and contamination. Lubricate all plug-in joints (O-ring seals) on the collectors. Use only the special grease supplied with the connection set.

12. Carefully push the next collector up to the spacer lip and insert the interconnecting pipes as far as possible.

#### **IMPORTANT**

Ensure interconnection pipe is centered between collectors.

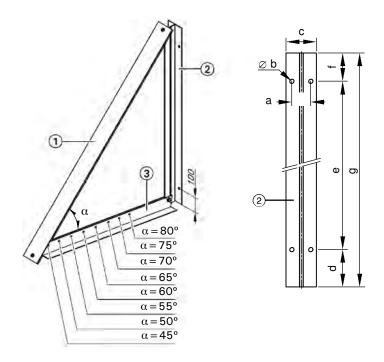
- **13.** Click clamping brackets (1) into the collector edge at the **top** of all supports.
- 14. Secure the connecting brace (1) turned by 180° to the next brace using the clamping brackets between the second and third, the fourth and fifth supports, etc.
- 15. The distance between collectors should be no greater than the width of the spacer lip (B) on the connecting brace (1).
- 16. Tighten all screws.

# Installing Freestanding Installation (with ballast weight inserts - for Model SH only)

Model SH		Secure aga	inst slippin	g* <sup>1</sup>	Secure aga	ainst lifting*	2
Installation height above ground level	ft.	<26	26 - 66	66 - 328	<26	26 - 66	66 - 328
	m	< 8	8 - 20	20 - 100	< 8	8 - 20	20 - 100
Required weight at 25°	lbs <sup>*3</sup>	712	1237	1764	342	695	1049
	kg	323	561	800	155	315	476
Required weight at 45°	lbs	1085	1863	2641	291	560	827
	kg	492	845	1198	132	254	375

 <sup>\*1</sup> Securing against slipping requires no additional attachment to roof.
 \*2 Securing against lifting requires additional attachment to roof or structure with wires or cables.
 \*3 Weights listed are the total of the insert weights and support slabs, per collector.

# Overview of System Components (Vitosol-F, Model SH)



#### Legend:

- Gusset plate with circular hole
- Legend:

  ① Collector support
  ② Cross brace
  ③ Adjustable support
  ④ Gusset plate with circul
  ⑤ Gusset plate with slot
  ⑥ Washer, Ø 8.4mm
  ⑦ Hexagon nut M8
  ⑧ Hexagon bolt M8 x 20
  ⑨ Retaining plate
  ① Clamping bracket

- (1) Connecting brace



### A CAUTION

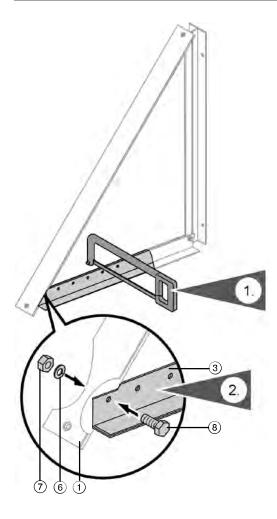
Wall mounting hardware is only supplied for SH series collectors. Wall mounting is not recommended for SV series collectors.



### Dimensions:

- a 2" / 50mm
- **b** Ø 0.4" / 11mm
- c 3.1" / 80mm
- d 4" / 100mm
- e 28.4" / 722mm
- f 3" / 75mm
- g 35.3" / 897mm

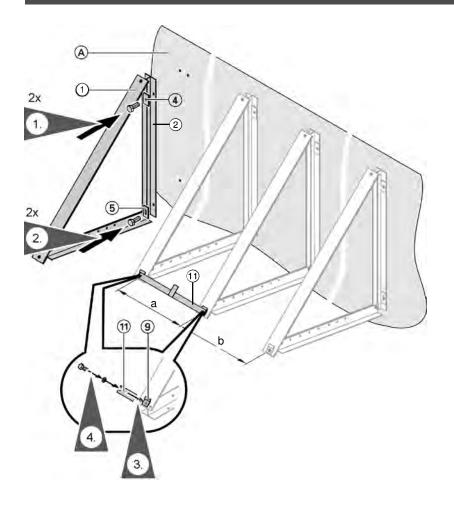
# Installing the Collector Supports and Adjusting the Angle of Inclination lpha



Note: See page 25 for numbered component description.

- 1. Trim adjustable supports ③ in accordance with the required angle of inclination (see page 25).
- Secure the adjustable support 3 to the collector support 1 with bolts 8, nuts 7 and washers 6.

### Installing the Solar Collectors



- 1. Use the cross braces ② as a drilling template.

  Secure the cross braces with gusset plate with circular hole ④ at the top of the wall.
- 2. Secure the cross braces with slotted gusset plate (5) at the bottom of the wall.
- 3. Secure retaining plates (9) to the bottom of all collector supports (1); do not tighten the screws.
- 4. Secure the connecting brace ① onto the retaining plates between the second and third, the fourth and fifth collector supports ① etc.Tighten all bolts.

#### Legend (A) Wall

#### **Dimensions**

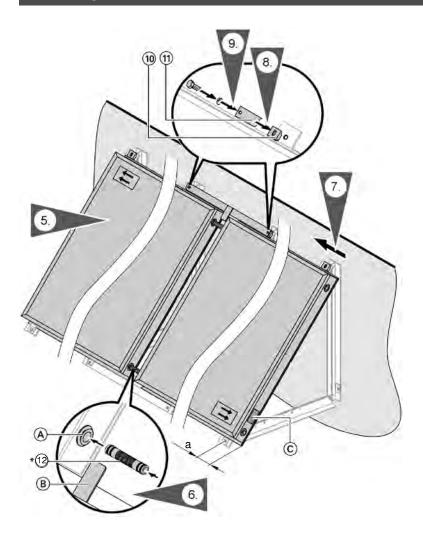
a 19" / 481mm

**b** 75.6" / 1920mm

#### Note:

Please see page 25 for numbered component description.

### Installing the Solar Collectors (continued)



Legend

- (A) Collector connection
- B Spacer lip on connecting brace 11
- © Rating plate

a ≈ 9" / 230mm

#### Note:

See page 25 for numbered component description.

\* See page 8 for numbered component description.

#### **IMPORTANT**

The top connecting brace (1) may be omitted on larger collector arrays to ensure that the collectors stay aligned vertically.

5. Position the first collector into the retaining plates and push right up to the spacerlip of the connecting brace. Center the distance when fitting only a single collector.

#### **IMPORTANT**

Install the collector panel so that the rating plate side of the first and last collector is on the outside (note sticker)! If only one collector is to be installed, connect the piping opposite the nameplate side. See page 14 for more information.

6. Before inserting interconnection pipe ②\* mark the middle of the connecting pipe with a marker or a piece of tape for reference. Insert the connecting pipe into the collector until the brass section is no longer visible.

#### **IMPORTANT**

Interconnection pipes should not show any signs of damage.

Lubricate all plug-in connectors (O-rings) found on the collectors only with the special grease supplied with the connection set.

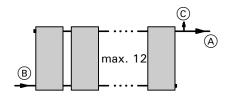
- Carefully push the next collector up to the spacer lip (B) and insert the interconnecting pipes as far as possible until they are centred between the collectors.
- Click clamping brackets (1) into the collector edge at the top of all supports.
- 9. Secure the connecting brace ①
  turned by 180° to the next brace
  using clamping brackets ⑩
  between the second and third, the
  fourth and fifth supports etc.
- 10. The distance between collectors should be no greater than the width of the spacer lip (B) on the connecting brace (1).
- 11. Tighten all screws.
- **12.**Fit a snow guard on the roof above the collectors, as required.

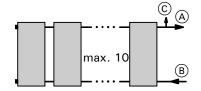
### **Supply and Return Piping Configuration**

Vitosol 100-F / Vitosol 200-F Models SV, SH

Installation of collectors, connection on alternate sides, max. 12 collectors.

Installation of collectors, single-sided connection, **max**. 10 collectors.





- A Supply (hot)
- (B) Return
- Air vent valve (shut-off type)

### **Collector Supply and Return Piping**

- For the piping connecting the collectors to the Solar Divicon pumping station, Viessmann recommends the use of commercial copper pipe and bronze fittings, or non-galvanized steel pipe. (PEX or other plastic pipes are not suitable for solar collector supply and return piping).
- Use only high temperature solder or brazing material when connecting the copper pipes in the collector piping. The melting temperature should be above 450°F / 232°C.
- When laying out the collector array, ensure that the system can "breathe" properly. Do not route pipes above the collector array.



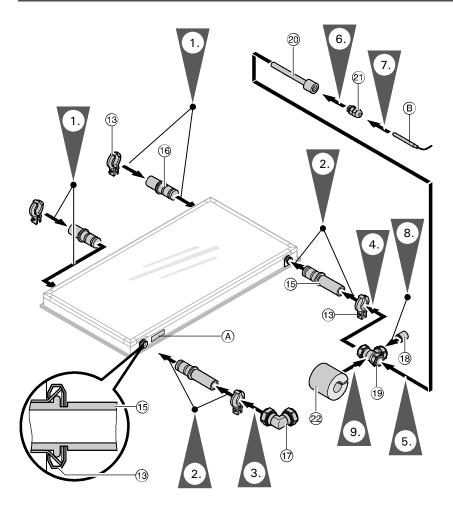
#### CAUTION

Do not use galvanized pipes, galvanized fittings or graphitized gaskets, or any type of plastic pipes.



Refer to the Vitosol System Design Guidelines for required flow rates and pipe sizing parameters for Vitosol-F collectors.

### Installing the General Connection Set and Collector Temperature Sensor



- A Rating plate
- B Temperature Sensor from solar controller

#### Note:

Please see page 8 for numbered component description.



Refer to Installation Instructions Supplement: Installation fitting (5355 935) for information on air vent installation and metric pipe adaptors required for collector connections. When assembling the locking ring compression fittings (7) and (19), observe the following:

- All pipe ends must be square and deburred.
- Push the union nut and the locking ring onto the pipe adaptor and lightly lubricate the threads with oil.
- Push the pipe into the compression fitting as far as it will go.
- Initially, turn the union nut by hand, then tighten with an open ended spanner by another ¾ turn.

Do not use annealed copper pipes with compression fittings.

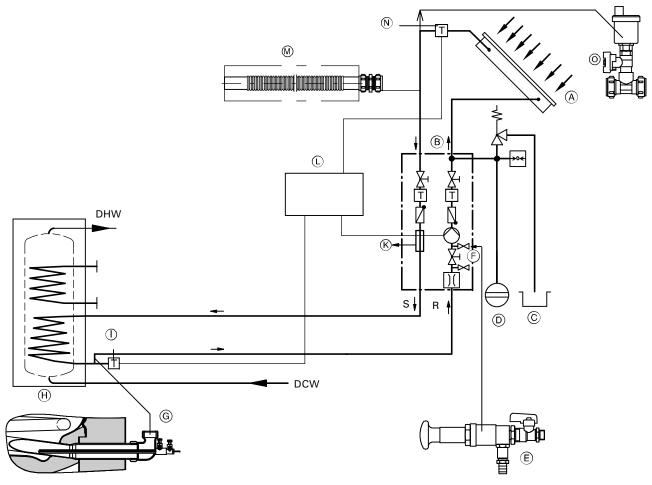
- 1. Insert the plugs 16 until they bottom out, and secure with pipe clips 13.
- 2. Insert the connection pipes (§) until they bottom out and secure them with pipe clips (§).
- Fit the elbow onto the return connector at the bottom of the collector.
- **4.** Fit the tee (9) onto the supply connector at the top of the collector.
- 5. Insert the sensor well 20 into the tee (19). Hold the tee tightly.
- 6. Insert the strain relief fitting (21) into the sensor well.
- 7. Insert the collector temperature sensor
  (B) (supplied with solar controller) until it bottoms out inside the sensor well, and secure with strain relief fitting.
- 8. Insert the 4" copper adaptor (19) into the compression fittings and make the connection between the panel array and the supply and return piping.
- 9. Install the insulation 22 and secure with adhesive on its cut faces.



#### CAUTION

The collectors may be damaged if the solar heating system is not filled with heat transfer medium immediately after installation. Therefore protect the collectors against insolation by covering them up.

### Sample System Layout



- Solar collector
- B Solar-Divicon (pumping station)
- © Overflow container
- D Expansion vessel
- © Solar manual filling pump (optional)
- F System fill manifold valve
- G Screw-in elbow, comes with sensor well
- (H) Solar storage tank
- Tank temperature sensor
- (K) Air separator
- Solar control unit
- M Flexible connection pipe (optional)
- N Collector temperature sensor
- Fast air vent, c/w shutoff valve \*1
- R Return to collector
- S Supply from collector



Refer to the Vitosol System Design Guidelines for more information on other installation examples and system types.



#### **WARNING**

The domestic hot water temperature must be limited to  $140\,^{\circ}\text{F}$  /  $60\,^{\circ}\text{C}$  by installing a mixing device, e.g. a thermostatic anti-scald mixing valve.

<sup>\*1</sup> Install at least one air vent valve at the highest point of the system.

### System Installation



Please refer to the Vitosol "System Design Guidelines" for supplementary notes on installation examples and system types.

- The connecting lines must be pressure and temperature-resistant (observe the max. shutdown temperature of the collector).
- To guarantee the satisfactory operation of the solar heating system, install the pipes so that complete air venting is assured.



#### **CAUTION**

Use only red bronze fittings, brass fittings and copper piping. Do not use galvanized pipes, galvanized fittings, graphitized gaskets or any type of plastic pipe.



#### CAUTION

Do not carry out any soldering work at or near the collector.

- At least one fast-acting air vent with shut-off valve must be installed at the highest point of the system. Install an air separator in the flow of the solar circuit, upstream of the inlet to the indirect coil of the domestic hot water tank. Air separation is standard in Solar-Divicon.
- The system must be equipped with an expansion tank, safety valve and circulation pump.
- The Solar-Divicon is equipped with a safety valve designed for max. 87 psig / 6 bar.
- Use only a diaphragm expansion tank that is suitable for the application as a solar expansion tank.
- The expansion tank must be approved for use in a solar heating system and must be connected via a heat insulating loop.

The diaphragms and seals of the expansion tank and the safety valve must be suitable for the heat transfer medium.



Please refer to the "Service Instructions" in order to calculate the inlet pressure of the diaphragm expansion vessel.

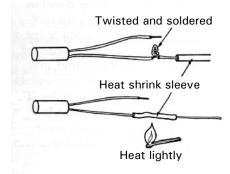
- Before filling system with solar heat transfer fluid, thoroughly flush and clean piping system to remove all dirt, oils, flux and solder residue.
- Fill the solar heating system with Viessmann heat transfer medium "Tyfocor-HTL" or suitable fluid as described on page 7. The "Tyfocor-HTL" is supplied as a premixed glycol/water solution and must not be mixed. The blow-off and discharge pipes must be run to an open container capable of accommodating the total capacity of the collectors.



#### CAUTION

Components used must be resistant to the heat transfer medium. Insulation of external piping must be resistant to temperature \* 1, UV radiation and to destruction by birds (e.g. through the use of metal sheathing).

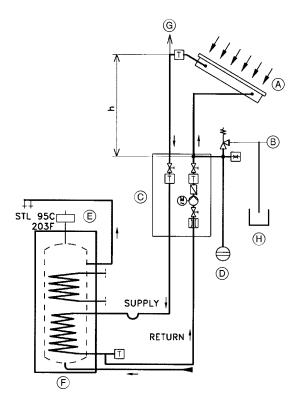
■ Prior to installing pipe insulation, run a stranded and protected 18/2 AWG low voltage sensor wire from the solar controller to the collector sensor well. Ensure all wire connections are soldered and sealed with heat shrink sleeve connectors (see illustration below). Cover all wire and connections with insulation and jacket.



Source: CANSIA

<sup>\*&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup>E.g. HT/Armaflex (temperature resistant up to 175 °C) supplied by Armstrong Insulation Products

### **Initial Start-up**



- (A) Collector
- B) Pressure relief valve
- Solar-Divicon
- Diaphragm expansion vessel
- E) High-limit safety cut-out
- Solar storage tank
- Air vent c/w shut-off
- (H) Overflow container
- T Temperature sensors

Refer to Vitosol Start-Up, Service and Operating Instructions for detailed information on flushing, filling, venting and setting system pressures.

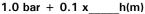
The collector circuit must be protected in such a way that at the highest possible collector temperature (shutdown temperature) no heat transfer fluid can escape from the safety valve, or the air vent. This is achieved by the appropriate sizing of the expansion tank and matching of the system pressure.

#### **IMPORTANT**

Under cold fill conditions, a minimum static pressure must be maintained. It can be calculated by the following:

15 psig + 0.45 psig x\_\_\_\_h(ft.)

or





The pressure relief valve must be piped to the overflow container or drain at all times, since excessively hot fluid can discharge from the system.



After de-aeration, the air vent c/w shut-off at top of system must be closed. To protect the solar system from overheating in the summer, e.g. during the holidays, do not shut off the power to the solar system.

### **Commissioning and Adjustment**



For commissioning of the solar heating system, refer to the Vitosol Start-Up, Service and Operating Instructions and Solar Divicon Installation, Start-Up and Service Instructions.

# Post-Installation Information...

☐ Has the solar circuit been installed in accordance with the circuit diagram and all relevant standards?
☐ Have the collectors been installed with a slight upward gradient towards the piping side?
☐ Have the supply and return connections been carried out and pressure tested?
☐ Have the electrical connections been carried out correctly?
☐ Have the sensors been installed correctly?
Have air vent valves been installed a the highest points of the system and are they open?
<b>A</b> CAUTION
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It is absolutely essential to close the air vent valves again when the system has been started up and de-aerated.  Have all screws, screwed pipe connections and covers been securely tightened?  Has the solar hot water tank been filled with water?  Does the maximum capacity of the expansion vessel correspond to the value stated in the System Design