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New NAECA III Compliant, Residential Gas Product

A. O. Smith has launched a new portfolio of gas residential water heaters to meet the requirements for the new 2015 NAECA minimum efficiency regulations. One thing that will be obvious is the model numbers for the NAECA III products (at the minimum efficiency level) have changed. Again, this model number change is only on the models at the minimum efficiency levels. Current models with energy efficiency levels well above NAECA minimums will not see the model number changes (example: Energy Star qualified models, Power Vent & Power Direct Vent).

Please see the “Model Nomenclature Key” below to help understand what the different letters represent in the new model numbers. With the new model number scheme, you should include the product series number to help identify the gas type required.

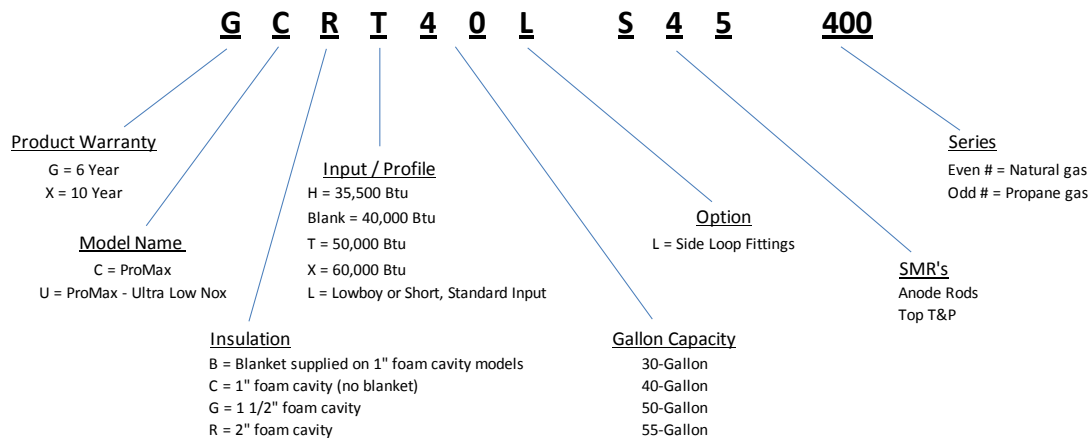
The new NAECA III atmospheric vent (Standard, ULN & Mobile Home) products will use a series of 400 or 401 for these new models. The 400 series is used for natural gas sku’s and 401 series is used for propane gas sku’s.

Example:

GCRT-50 400 natural gas model.

GCRT-50 401 propane gas model.

New NAECA III Residential Gas Atmospheric Vent and Ultra Low NOx Model Nomenclature Key



Another gas model number change you will notice is on the mobile home products. See the example below for these water heaters.

Atmospheric Vent Mobile Home = FMHR-40 400

Direct Vent Mobile Home = FMDV-40 400

Remember these mobile home models ship from the factory set-up for natural gas and are field convertible to propane gas.

Should you have questions, please feel free to contact me or your A. O. Smith Sales Representative.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads 'Cliff Deidiker'.

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