TROUBLESHOOTING ON WALK-IN-COOLER FREEZERS

Possible faults, observations and repair actions for cold rooms

Observations	Fault	Actions/suggestions
1. WIC temperature	Gas leakage	Repair all leakage, conduct
high		leakage test and recharge
2. Low suction		gas up to 20 psi suction
pressure (good 20		pressure
unit)		
3. Service valve leaks		
(Conduct soap test)		
4. Evaporator pipe		
leaking		
5. No liquid/bubbles in		
sight glass		
6. Compressor		
stops/trips on HP/LP		
7. Leakage in flare nut		
connection to		
HP/LP-1		
8. Leakage in capillary		
tube		
9. Leakage in from		
non-return valve on		
charging tube 1. Excess noise while	1 Commession defeative	1 Danlaga gammuagan
running	 Compressor defective C-1 contactor defective 	1. Replace compressor and recharge the gas
2. High ampere	3. Starting relay/capacitor	2. Replace contactor
consumption	defective	3. Replace
(Max.20 amps)	defective	relay/capacitor
3. Compressor too hot		relay/capacitor
4. Compressor not		
running/trips		
1. Unit trips-off often	Condenser fan motor	Repair the shaft and
on HP	burnt/jammed	bush/lubricate the
2. Running slow and	3	condenser motor fan or
sometime stops		replace it
1. Evaporator hot	Evaporator fan motor	Repair/replace fan motor
2. More frost on	bunt/jammed	
evaporator	_	
1. WIC temperature falling	1. faulty thermostat setting	Rest/Replace fan motor
down	or Thermostat defected	
Did not trip on low pressure	HP/LP Pressostat defect	Check the setting. At 25 psi
(7psi)		it should be cut off at just
		above 0 psi. Replace if

		required
Drier cold Suction line warm Current less (about 4 amps)	Drier chocked	Replace drier
Heavy Ice formation on evaporator	No auto defrosting	Check the heat limit and change the setting if required Defrost manually or by shorting the heat limit terminals in case of foster WIF Set or replace master log in case of Huurre WIF
Alarm on when WIC temperature OK, no effect of pressing reset button	Alarm circuit defective	1. Check T1 & its circuit and wiring
F-1 MCB trips when unit switched ON	Varistor R-7 defective/shorted	Replace
Temperature recorder not working	1. Winding of transformer FB-1 burnt 2. Relay contact defective 3. 3. 3.4 volt cell low battery 4. Defect in circuit	 Re-wound and refit Replace contact relay or dry cell Check circuit and repair
Alarm does not sound	A1 sounder defective or disconnected	Connect Replace sounder
Generator Engine difficult to start	 No fuel in tank Loose/broken fuel pipe Faulty fuel injector nozzle 	 Fill the tank Tight or replace the fuel pipe Grind and calibrate the injector or replace if required
Engine starts but fires intermittently or stops soon	Lack of fuel supply Water/dust in fuel Fuel filter chocked Faulty injector/fuel pump Low engine oil pressure	Tighten all fuel connections Drain the fuel tank and refill clean fuel Replace the filter Check and replace injector/Calibrate fuel pump Call service engineer
Engine lacks power with dirty exhaust:	Lack of fuel supply Chocked Exhaust Silencer	Fill the fuel tank Clean or replace if required clean silencer

Overheating	Over loading Failure of	Avoid over loading Check
	water supply	the system Check oil level
	Lubricating oil level	and top up if necessary
	low	

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