

# John Wood® Water Heater Age

The date of production/manufacture or age of John Wood® Water Heater(s) can be determined from the serial number.

**Serial number styles/formats found are:**

- ✓ *Style 1 (before 2008): U0106413635*
- ✓ *Style 2 (after 2008): U0928413635*
- ✓ *Style 3 (old style): 137945-7503*
- ✓ *Style 4 (used between styles 1 & 3): 8711-127684*

## Style 1: U0106413635

John Wood serial numbers contain a lot of information, including when the heater was manufactured. This can be determined by looking at the first four numbers, ignoring any letter that may start the serial number. Similar to style 2 below with exception that month was used rather than week.

The first two numbers represent the year the water heater was built.

If your heater was built before 2008, the next two numbers represent the month.

If your heater was built after 2008, the next two numbers represent the week.

For Example

Serial number: U0106413635

This heater was manufactured in June 2001

## Style 2: U0928413635

John Wood serial numbers contain a lot of information, including when the heater was manufactured. This can be determined by looking at the first four numbers, ignoring any letter that may start the serial number. Similar to style 1 above, with exception that week was used rather than month of manufacture.

The first two numbers represent the year the water heater was built.

If your heater was built before 2008, the next two numbers represent the month.

If your heater was built after 2008, the next two numbers represent the week.

For Example

Serial number: U0928413635

This heater was manufactured in the 28th week (July), 2009.

## Style 3: 137945-7503

This is an older John Wood serial number style (prior to 2006 A.O. Smith acquisition of GSW and John Wood brands). The manufacture date can be determined by looking at the *last four numbers after the hyphen* in the serial number.

The first set of these numbers (after hyphen) represent the year the water heater was built.

The next (last) two numbers (after hyphen) represent the month.

For Example

Serial number: 137945-7503

This heater was manufactured in the 3rd month (March), 1975.

## Style 4: 8711-127684

This is an older John Wood serial number style (prior to 2006 A.O. Smith acquisition of GSW and John Wood brands and possibly used between styles

1 and 3). The manufacture date can be determined by looking at the *first four numbers before the hyphen* in the serial number.

The first two numbers (before hyphen) represent the year the water heater was built.

The next (last) two numbers (before hyphen) represent the month.

For Example

Serial number: 8711-127684

This heater was manufactured in the 11th month (November), 1987.