

Rinnai® Water Heater Age

How to determine the date of production/manufacture or age of **Rinnai®** brand Water Heater Systems.

Water heaters in general have an average estimated useful service life of 10-12 years, though water quality, routine upkeep/maintenance, and location of the water heater will all play critical roles in the longevity of these systems.

The date of production/manufacture or age of Rinnai brand Water Heater equipment can be determined from the serial number located on the rating data plate.

Example serial number styles/formats found:

- ✓ **Style 1:** **BL**. CA-051306
- ✓ **Style 2:** **04**. **03**-102521

Legend: Year is **RED**; Month is **GREEN**; Week is **BLUE**

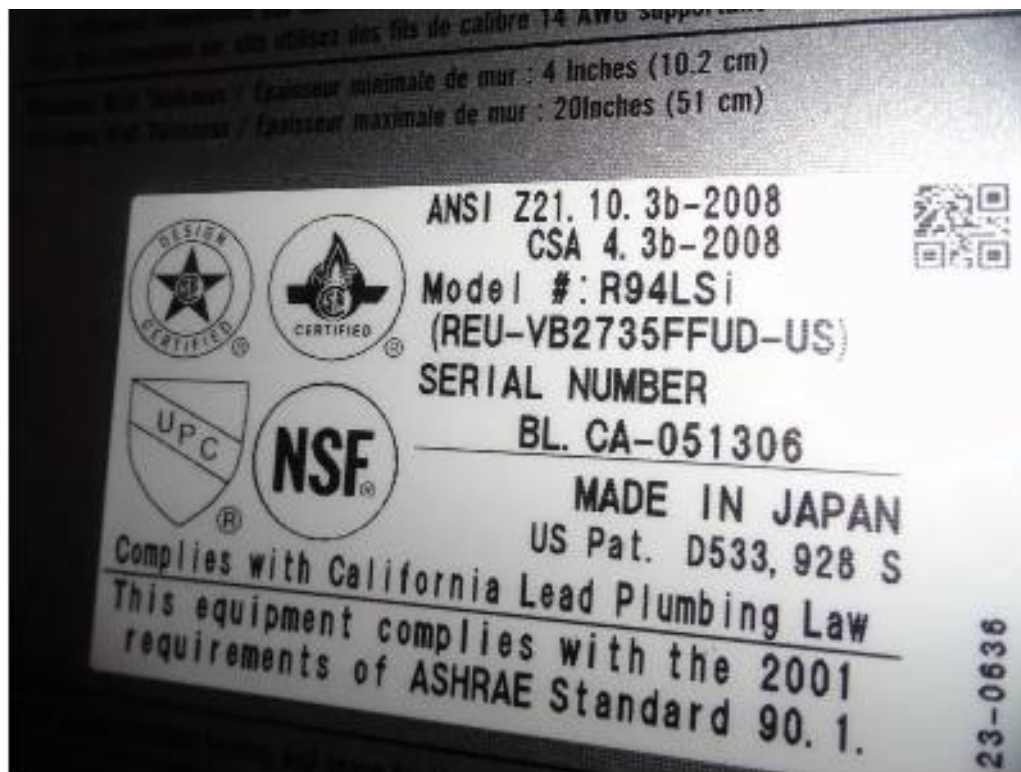
- ✓ **Style 1:** **BL**. CA-051306

Year of manufacture can be determined by using the **1st position (letter) of the serial number**

Month of manufacture can be determined by using the **2nd position (letter) of the serial number**

NOTE: This style has been used since 2009

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Production Year Codes:

- A= 2009
- B= 2010
- C= 2011
- D= 2012
- E= 2013
- F= 2014
- G= 2015
- H= 2016
- J= 2017
- K= 2018
- L= 2019
- M= 2020
- N= 2021
- P= 2022
- R= 2023
- S= 2024
- T= 2025
- W= 2026
- X= 2027
- Y= 2028
- Z= 2029

Production Month Codes:

- A= January
- B= February
- C= March
- D= April
- E= May
- F= June
- G= July
- H= August
- J= September
- K= October
- L= November
- M= December

✓ **Style 2: 04. 03-102521**

Year of manufacture can be determined by using the **1st & 2nd positions (before period) of the serial number**

Month of manufacture can be determined by using the **3rd & 4th positions (after period) of the serial number**

NOTE: This style was used prior to 2009



Rinnai® History¹

- **1920** - Company incorporated in Japan
- **1921** - Launches first tankless water heater product
- **1923** - Sales and export include tabletop stoves, ranges, gas ovens, and tankless water heaters
- **1971** - Company changes name from Rinnai Manufacturing Co. Ltd. to Rinnai Corporation
- **1974** - Rinnai America Corporation is established in Los Angeles, CA
- **1987** - Rinnai America moves corporate office to Lagrange, GA
- **1989** - Rinnai direct vent wall furnace is launched
- **1999** - First tankless water heater is sold in North America
- **2001** - North American operations relocate to Peachtree City, GA

- **2001** - First commercial tankless water heaters make their debut
- **2006** - Begins manufacturing OEM tankless units for Bradford White and GE
- **2007** - Unveils hydronic air handler designed to work with tankless water heaters
- **2010** - Rinnai launches at Lowe's retail locations across the U.S.
- **2012** - Begins manufacturing OEM tankless units for Giant
- **2013** - Rinnai launches hybrid tank-tankless water heater
- **2014** - Rinnai Commercial Business unit is formed
- **2018** - Rinnai establishes U.S. manufacturing in Griffin, GA