

# 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**

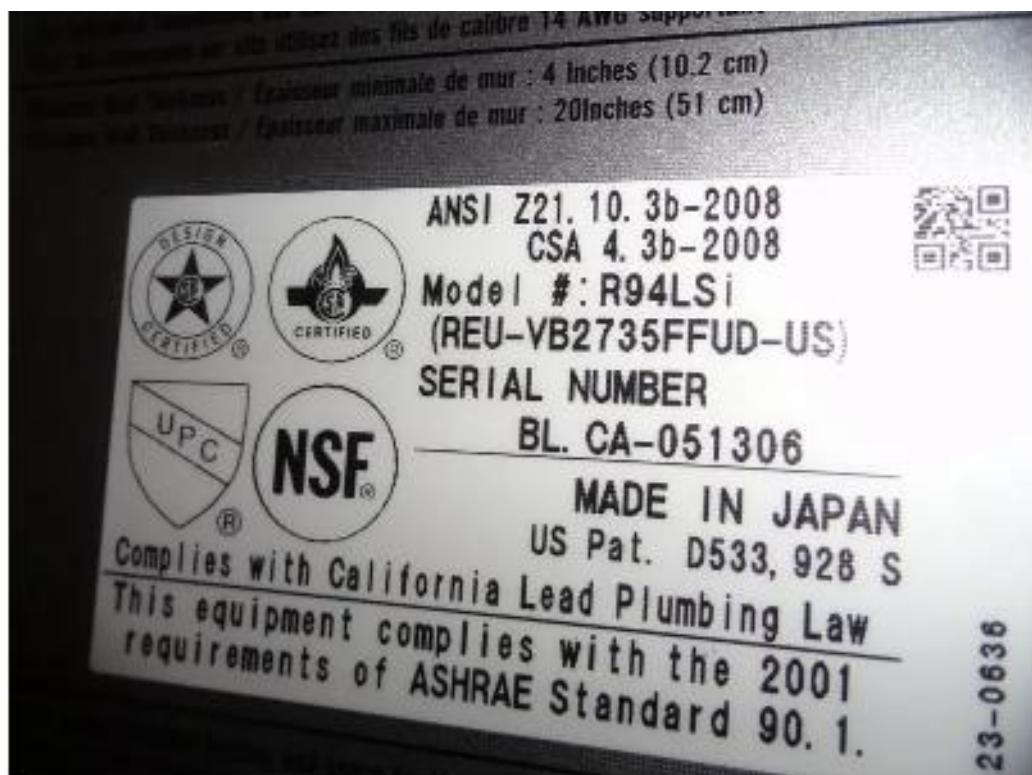
- ✓ **Style 1: BL. CA-051306**

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

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

**NOTE:** This style has been used since 2009





### 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:

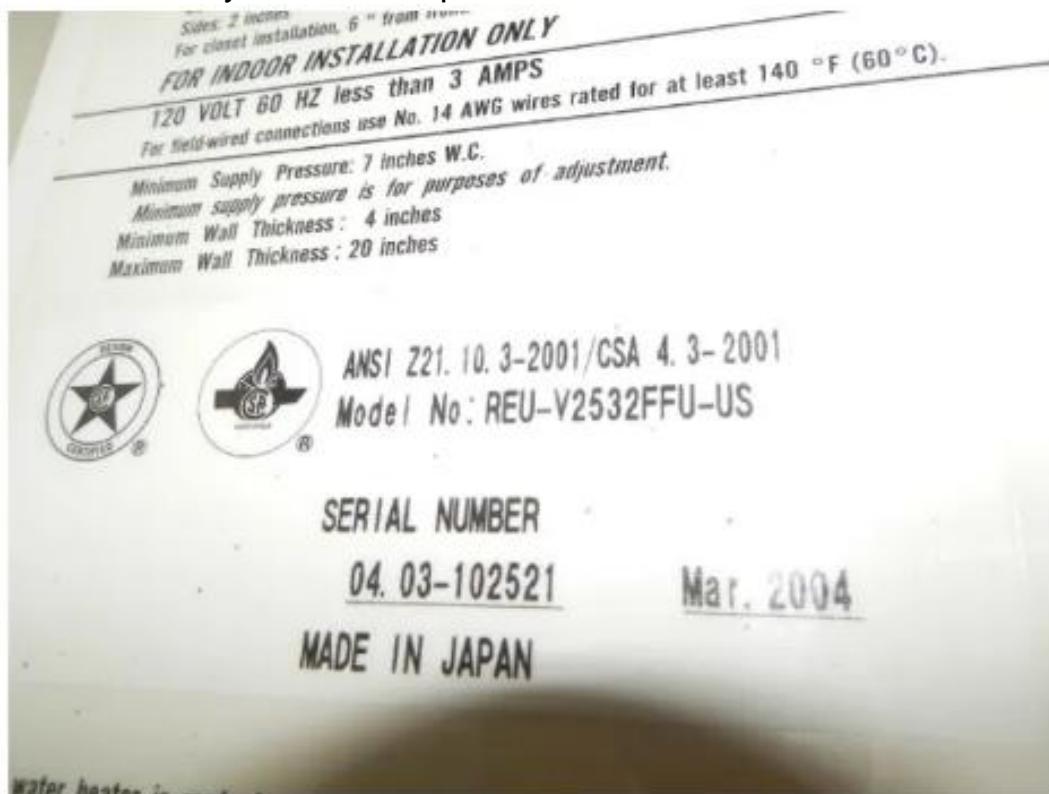
- **A**= January
- **B**= February
- **C**= March
- **D**= April
- **E**= May
- **F**= June
- **G**= July
- **H**= August
- **J**= September
- **K**= October
- **L**= November
- **M**= December

✓ Style 2: 04. 03-102521

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

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

**NOTE:** This style was used prior to 2009



Rinnai® History<sup>1</sup>

- 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