# Atwood rv water heater troubleshooting guide

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Where is the reset button on the Atwood RV water heater? There is a cover over the element, tstat and ECO on the rear of the heater. Looking at the back side of the heater, the reset hole for the ECO is in the upper right corner area. It is a white button you push thru the hole. The on/off switch is located on the side of the cover, bottom facing the coach front.

Why does my Atwood RV water heater keep shutting off? The igniter rod and porcelain insulator needs to be clean. Wipe off the igniter rod insulator with a CLEAN cloth and alcohol and check it very very closely for any carbon tracking. Clean the igniter rod tip with Scotch-Brite pad or really fine sand cloth. Replace the igniter rod, if in doubt.

Why is my RV hot water heater not igniting? Confirm that your tanks have enough propane and that your service valve is completely open. If your problem persists, it's likely you have a faulty gas valve (solenoid) or ignitor, a dirty burn chamber, or a flame issue. These obstacles will likely call for an RV technician's expertise for repair.

How to test thermostat on atwood RV water heater? You can pull the wires off and test the thermostat with a continuity tester if you're too cheap to buy the replacement kit. When the water is cold, there should be continuity between the contacts. When the water is hot, there shouldn't be.

Where is the on/off switch on an Atwood water heater? A double switch is now located inside the RV for convenience and a joint ECO and T-Stat is located on the gas side of the water heater. This leaves only the relay and heating element on the

backside of the water heater.

## Why do I have to keep resetting my RV water heater?

What do you do when your water heater keeps turning off? The most common reason for an electric water heater to turn off is a tripped circuit breaker. Check your home's electrical panel to see if the breaker for the water heater has tripped. If it has, reset it. If it continues to trip, there may be an electrical problem that needs professional attention.

Why is my RV heater not staying on? You may have blown a fuse or have a tripped breaker. Another common problem is a bad ignitor. You can test for this issue by turning on the furnace and going to the exhaust on the outside of your rig. If you smell propane, you've found the problem.

Why won't my hot water heater stay running? An electric water heater may keep shutting off because it's tripping the electrical breaker. If the breaker keeps shutting down every time you need hot water, you have an electrical problem that needs to be addressed, possibly a short in the breaker.

Can I manually light my RV water heater? If you have a water heater with a manual (rather than automatic) pilot, you'll have to light your water heater once you reach your destination. There should be specific instructions included in your owner's manual or printed on the inside door cover of the water heater.

What to do when water heater won't ignite? If a gas water heater won't light, the first thing to check is to see if there is adequate gas pressure to the water heater. Next we would check the thermocouple/thermopile assembly. After checking that we would check the gas control valve to see if it's faulty.

Why is my water heater pilot light on but not firing up? Sediment buildup is a common cause of a pilot light on but no hot water. A rusty thermocouple can also cause your water heater not to yield the right water temperatures. Another cause includes a tripped breaker or blown fuse. Contacting a plumber near you is the safest way to troubleshoot a faulty water heater.

### Does the Atwood water heater have a thermostat?

# Where is the heating element on an Atwood RV water heater?

**Does Atwood RV water heater have an anode?** The Atwood RV water heats like the part # AT96163 that you were looking at do indeed feature an aluminum-clad tank that eliminates the need for an anode rod.

#### What does the red light mean on an Atwood water heater?

How do I clean my Atwood RV water heater? Mix a solution of four (4) parts white vinegar to two (2) parts water. (For a 10-gallon tank, use six (6) gallons of vinegar to four (4) gallons of water). With a funnel, carefully pour the solution into the tank. Cycle the water heater with the above solution, letting it run under normal operation 4-5 times.

**How to turn RV hot water heater on?** With the proper electrical supply, you can turn on your RV's electric heating element by turning the switch inside the coach marked 'Electric Water Heater' to the On position. This electric heating method can be used independently or simultaneously with the propane heating method for quicker recovery.

Why do I have to keep pushing the reset button on my water heater? In some cases, the water heater reset button will repeatedly trip. This is a warning sign of a larger issue such as a faulty thermostat, loose wiring, corroded parts, a grounding problem, or a malfunctioning high limit switch.

How do I know if my water heater needs reset? If your electric water heater reset button is lit up or has tripped, you will need to reset the thermostat. The reset button will be right next to one of the thermostats (usually the top one), and it is normally red.

Why does my RV hot water heater keep tripping the reset button? Other common issues include a burnt-out heating element, a worn-out reset button, or a faulty circuit breaker or wiring. By calling a professional plumber, you can identify the root cause of your tripping reset button and prevent the issue from happening again in the future.

Why is my water heater staying on? Sediment buildup may be the reason you have a water heater constantly running. Over time, minerals in your water can settle at the bottom of the tank and form a sludge. This sludge can then block the heating element, preventing the water from heating up to the appropriate temperature.

Why won't my water heater stay lit? Your water heater requires air to keep the pilot light burning. Otherwise, the flame goes out. Ensure that the water heater is not surrounded by clutter, lint, or debris to increase the amount of combustible air. Keep the surrounding area as clean as possible.

Why does my water heater keep getting tripped? Your water heater could be tripping for any number of reasons. From faulty wiring to defective heating elements and worn-out circuit breakers to bad thermostats, it can be tough to identify the underlying cause. With professional assistance from plumbers and electricians, you can ensure the job goes right.

#### Where is the reset button on a state water heater?

**How to reset heater on RV?** Reset the system by turning off the furnace at the thermostat and turning it on again to allow the ignition process to restart. Check the exterior exhaust vent to make sure that it isn't blocked with spider webs or mud dauber nests—a telltale sign of this is soot on the side of the RV exterior.

Where is the reset button on the heater? First, turn off the power supply to the furnace by turning off the breaker in the circuit box. Locate the reset button on the furnace and press it to reset the furnace. It is usually located inside the blower compartment on the side of the blower motor.

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Do you have to turn off the breaker to reset a water heater? Shut off the house circuit breaker for your water heater. Remove the upper heating element access

panel to locate the high-temperature limit switch. Press the red button on the switch to reset it. Reinstall the heating element access panel.

How long to press reset button on water heater? Step 2: Find the reset button on your water heater. It's usually located near the bottom of the unit, but sometimes it can be on a side or back panel instead. Step 3: Press and hold the reset button for three to five seconds.

How do you reset an RV propane water heater?

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Why is my RV heater not kicking on? Check the registers inside the rig for any obstruction that could impede airflow. If the furnace isn't even starting, it could mean that it's not getting enough juice. It needs 12 volts to get going. You may have blown a fuse or have a tripped breaker.

Where is the reset button? Alternatively called the reset switch, the reset button allows devices that utilize it, such as a computer or peripheral to be rebooted. Usually, the button is on the front of the device, next to or near the power button.

Does the lower thermostat on water heater have reset button? You might find the electric water heater reset button in the following locations: Upper thermostat. The heater's lower components. On both the lower and upper thermostats.

How do I get my heater to work again?

Are Atwood and Dometic water heaters the same?

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