

First Alert®

Onelink™

Installation Manual



Model THERM-500

Thank You

Congratulations and thank you for purchasing your new First Alert® Onelink™ Wi-Fi Thermostat. You've chosen to invest in one of the world's most advanced and convenient thermostats for controlling your home's heating and cooling systems. The First Alert® Onelink™ Wi-Fi Thermostat is easy to install, easy to use and can help save you money on your heating and cooling costs. A typical installation takes only 20-30 minutes. If you have any problems or questions during installation please visit www.firstalert.com/thermostats or call customer service at 800-323-9005.



Online Videos and Tools

Visit www.firstalert.com/thermostats for installation videos, product feature demonstrations, and full user's manual.



Compatibility

The First Alert® Onelink™ Wi-Fi Thermostat is designed to work with both 4-Wire and 5-Wire 24V systems, including gas, electric, oil, forced air, variable speed, heat pump and radiant. It can control:



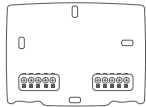
- Heating: one, two and three stages (W1, W2, W3)
- Cooling: one and two stages (Y1, Y2)
- Heat pump: with auxiliary and emergency heat (Y, W1, O/B)
- Fan (G)
- Power (C, R)
- Humidifier or dehumidifier (HUM, DEHUMM)
- Dual fuel systems (heat pump with furnace)
- Whole-home humidifiers and dehumidifiers

Before you begin installation, determine what your existing wiring and equipment situation is. If you are unsure of what type of system you have, you may need to seek professional support.

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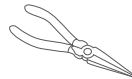
Necessary Tools



WiFi Password



Level



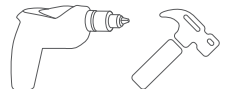
Pliers



Screw Driver



Pencil



Hammer or Drill
(3/16" or 7/32" drill bits)

Removal Instructions



Your First Alert® Onelink™ Wi-Fi Thermostat is designed to work with most 5-wire and 4-wire systems. 7 wires required for most multistage systems, systems with cooling, and all electric heating systems that include humidification / dehumidification equipment. Look for the following icons for special instructions that apply specifically to either a 5-wire or 4-wire system. Visit www.firstalert.com/thermostats for installation and support videos.



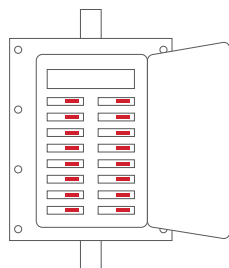
5-Wire System Fan Control
Automatic and Independent

4-Wire System Fan Control
Automatic Only



Step 1 Power Off Current System

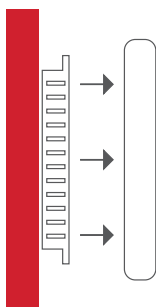
- 1) Go to your home's circuit breaker panel and switch the furnace and air conditioner breakers off.
- 2) To confirm power is off, adjust the temperature on your current thermostat. If the system does not respond accordingly, power has successfully been shut off.



WARNING: Failure to follow this step can result in personal injury and/or death from shock and electrocution.

Step 2 Remove Faceplate

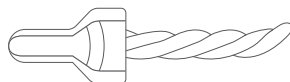
Remove the faceplate of current system. Most faceplates snap-off or feature small screws that will need to be removed.



Side View



WARNING: If you see large thick electric wires, wire nuts, or if your system is labeled 120V or 240V DO NOT PROCEED. THIS THERMOSTAT IS NOT COMPATIBLE WITH THESE SYSTEMS.

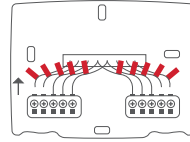


Step 3 Label and Disconnect Wires

- 1) One by one, apply the corresponding sticker (below) to each wire and disconnect each from your current thermostat.
- 2) Be sure to note placement of jumper cables as you may need them in the new system.



TIP: Before disconnecting any wires, take a photo of your current wire configuration with your mobile device.



Wire from the old thermostat terminal marked	Function	Install on the new thermostat connector marked	Wire Color
G or F	Fan	G	
Y1 or Y	Cooling/Compressor	Y1	
W1 or W	Heating	W1/O/B	
Rh, R, M, Vr, A	Power	R	
C	Common	C	
O/B	Rev. Valve	W1/O/B*	
W2	2nd Stage Heat	W2	
Y2	2nd Stage Cooling	Y2	
W3	3rd Stage Heat	W3	
OUT -	Outdoor Sensor	SENSOR	
OUT +	Outdoor Sensor	SENSOR	

* O/B is used if your system is a Heat Pump.

NOTE: If the terminal designations on your old thermostat do not match those on the new thermostat **refer to sample wiring diagrams in full user's manual at www.firstalert.com/thermostats.**

sticker area

Installation Instructions

Step 4 Remove Current Backplate

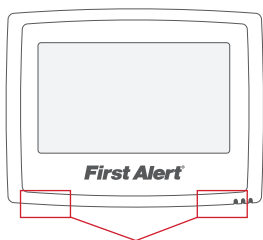
Unscrew the current backplate and remove it from the wall. Be careful not to let the wires fall into the wall.

TIP: Wrap the wires around a pencil or pen to keep them from falling inside the wall.

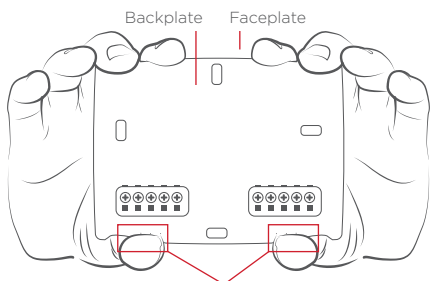


Step 5 Mount New Base

- 1) Gently separate the display from the base by pulling first from the bottom and then the top until the two pieces unsnap.



REMOVE THE THERMOSTAT BACKPLATE:
Using the Finger Pull Areas, pull the front housing away from the backplate.



PULL OUT WITH THUMBS IN THESE AREAS.

- 2) Position the base against your wall, and determine if wall anchors from current thermostat align with screw locations of new base.



TIP: Use a level to ensure thermostat is properly aligned before marking screw locations.

- 3) If base does not align with existing anchor holes, mark new screw locations with a pencil.

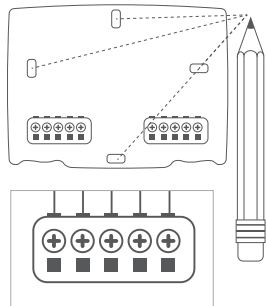
Drywall

Drill 3/16" hole for the anchor

Plaster

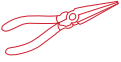
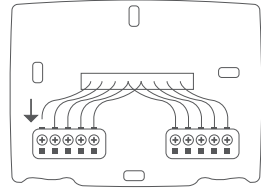
Drill 7/32" hole for the anchor

- 4) Pull wires through opening in base and secure to the wall using provided screws.



Step 6 Connect Wires

- 1) Match your previous wire configuration to the new base. One by one, connect each wire by inserting the metal end into the corresponding slot and tightening the screw.



TIP: Use pliers to straighten wire before inserting into new base. Be sure to cut any excess wire where the insulation extends to the terminal block. When the wire is installed properly to the terminal block, there should be no copper exposed.



For a 5-wire system, use the guide below to help determine how wires may convert from your current system to your new THERM-500.

Old Thermostat Connector	Function	New Thermostat Connector
G or F	Fan	G
Y1 or Y	Cooling / Compressor	Y1
W1 or W	Heating	W1/O/B
Rh, R, M, Vr, A	Power	R
C	Common	C
O/B	Rev. Valve	W1/O/B*
W2	2nd Stage Heat	W2
Y2	2nd Stage Cooling	Y2
W3	3rd Stage Heat	W3
OUT -	Outdoor Sensor	Sensor
OUT +	Outdoor Sensor	Sensor

* O/B is used in heat pump systems.



The WI-FI thermostat requires a C wire to operate. The C, or common wire completes the path of 24 VAC power to the thermostat. Many older mechanical or battery operated thermostats do not require a C wire and therefore it may not be present or is present and was not previously utilized. Look for an unused wire that may be pushed into the wall. If one is found then this wire can be used as common and connected to the common terminal of the thermostat. **It will also then need to be connected to the common terminal at the heating/cooling system.** All other wires can be configured exactly as shown in the 5 Wire table above. If an unused wire cannot be located for C (common) then the G or F (fan) wire can be used instead. Connect your G or F wire to the common terminal of the thermostat. **This G or F wire will then also need to be moved to the common terminal at the heating and cooling system. A jumper wire needs to be placed from Y terminal to G terminal at the furnace level. This system will not work with an electric heat plus A/C system.** All other wires can be configured exactly as shown in the 5 Wire table above. Check the video section at www.firstalert.com/thermostats or call customer service at 800-323-9005.



Note: Not all heating/cooling systems label the 24VAC common C. Check the full user's manual or contact the manufacturer to find out which terminal is 24 VAC common. The optional Add -A-Wire system shown below can also be utilized.

4-Wire System G Wire	Function	New Thermostat Connector	Heating and Cooling System Connector
G or F	Common	C	C

NOTE: Consult full user's manual at www.firstalert.com/thermostats if your wiring configuration is not listed above.

Optional Add-A-Wire™



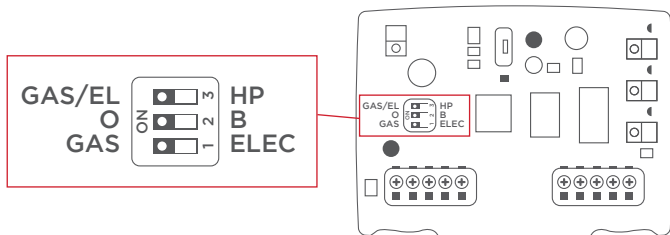
Available for purchase at www.firstalertstore.com. Regain independent fan control with a 4-wire system through the optional purchase of our Add-A-Wire™ system.

Visit www.firstalert.com/thermostats for Add-A-Wire installation video.



Step 7 Check Dip Switch

- 1) Ensure which switch is correct for your system. Dip switches are located on the back of the thermostat.



GAS/EL HP

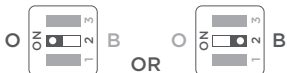


OR

GAS/EL HP



This dip switch configures the thermostat to control a conventional gas/electric system or a heat pump. If your system is anything other than a heat pump, leave this switch set for **GAS/EL**.



For Heat Pump Only

When the GAS/EL HP dip switch is configured for HP, this dip switch (O or B) must be set to control the appropriate reversing valve. If O is chosen, the W1/O/B terminal will energize in cooling. If B is chosen, the W1/O/B terminal will energize in heating.



1. When **GAS/EL or HP** is set for **GAS/EL**:

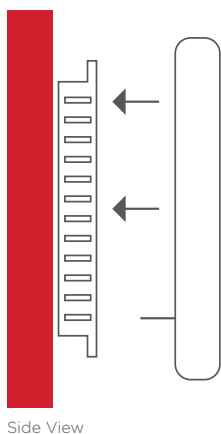
This switch (GAS or ELEC) controls how the thermostat will control the Fan (G) terminal when heating. When **GAS** is chosen, the thermostat **will not** energize the Fan (G) terminal, the HVAC will take over the fan control. When **ELEC** is chosen the thermostat **will** energize the fan in heating.

2. When **GAS/EL or HP** is set for **HP**:

This switch (GAS or ELEC) defines the Aux Heat type. When **GAS** is chosen, the auxiliary heat will not be allowed to run during heat pump operation. When using a Dual Fuel system, set this switch for **GAS**. When **ELEC** is chosen, up to two stages of auxiliary strip heat will be allowed to run.

Step 8 Attach Thermostat Display

- 1) Align the pins on the display with the corresponding holes below the wiring connectors and push the top and the bottom of the plastic housing enclosing the display until it clicks into place.



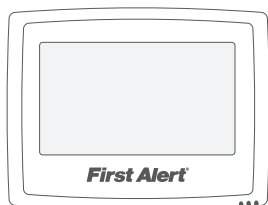
Display should click into place easily. If you encounter resistance do not apply excess force - take the plate off, check that the pins are straight and ensure there are no wires in the way and retry.

Step 9 Switch Breakers Back On

Turn your furnace and air conditioner breakers back on at your breaker panel.

Step 10 Set Up Thermostat

- 1) Follow the on-screen instructions to join your household Wi-Fi network and setup your thermostat.
- 2) Visit <https://onlink.skyportcloud.com/> from your personal computer to create an account and access your thermostat remotely for control away from the home.



- 3) Download the First Alert® Onelink™ Thermostat app to your mobile device(s).

NOTE: Your skyport username and login is the same you used to set up the app.

Onelink



Available on the
App Store



Available on the
Android Market

Troubleshooting

Use the following troubleshooting guide to diagnose common problems.

If you are still having problems or are unsure please visit

www.firstalert.com/thermostats or call customer service at 800-323-9005.

Problem	Possible Cause	Solution
The air conditioning does not attempt to turn on.	The compressor timer lockout may prevent the air conditioner from turning on for a period of time	Adjust the Compressor Min. Off Time to "None".
The display is blank.	Lack of proper power.	Make sure the power is on to the furnace and that you have a 24vac between R&C.
The air conditioning does not attempt to turn on.	The cooling setpoint is set too high.	Lower the cooling setpoint or lower the cooling setpoint limit.
The heating does not attempt to turn on.	The heating setpoint is set too low.	Raise the heating setpoint or raise the heating setpoint limit.
When using a reversing heat pump the heat comes on instead of the air conditioning.	The thermostat reversing valve dip switch is set incorrectly.	Set the reversing valve dip switch to 'O'.
When calling for air conditioning both the heat and cool come on.	The thermostat equipment dip switch is configured for "HP" and the HVAC unit is a gas/electric.	Set the equipment dip switch for "gas".

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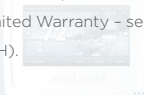
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- Reorient or relocate the receiving antenna.
- Increase the separation between the equipment and receiver.
- Connect the equipment into an outlet on a circuit different from that of the receiver.
- Consult the dealer or an experienced radio or TV technician for help.

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