

# Honeywell vs. GENERALAire® TrueSTEAM™ vs. DS15 Elite Steam Humidifiers

**Honeywell**



**Get The Facts And See  
The Honeywell Advantage**

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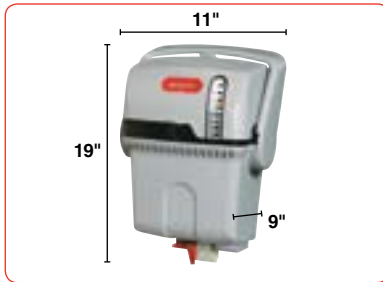
## The Facts Speak For Themselves

### Honeywell TrueSTEAM™

**20-Foot Remote-Mount Capability** — Can be installed up to 20' away from the system with remote-mount kit. Hose is 3/4" in diameter.



**Lightweight and Low-Amp** — The lightweight and low-amp options of TrueSTEAM™ six and nine gallon models do not require a separate, dedicated circuit.



**Everything Included** — Base package includes humidifier, fill and drain tubing connections, mounting bracket, duct nozzle, saddle valve, in-line water filter and choice of controls.



**Incoloy 600 Heating Element** — A material designed to inhibit mineral build-up.



**Simple Maintenance** — Simply clean tank once a year with soap and water or place in dishwasher. Tank is easily accessible and does not require the use of tools for removal. All electrical parts remain mounted while the tank slides free.



### GENERALAire® Elite Steam DS15

**20-Foot Remote-Mount Capability** — Can be installed up to 20' away from the system with remote-mount kit. Hose is 1-1/2" in diameter.



**Requires Structural and Electrical Support** — Weighs 26 lbs with water and draws 10.6 amps, requiring extra structural and electrical support to mount.



**Accessories Sold Separately** — Base package includes humidifier and drain connection only. Separate kit must be purchased for nozzle, hose, tubing, saddle valve and control.



**Standard Heating Element** — Installation manual states "electrodes do not burn out, but will eventually become completely coated with mineral, and the cylinder will then need to be replaced or cleaned."



**Multi-Step Maintenance** — Cylinder must be replaced annually and requires tools to remove the cover. Power must be disconnected and electrical connections must be removed before cylinder can be released.



## See The Honeywell Advantage

### Honeywell TrueSTEAM

#### Easy to Install —

Requires only a 1-3/4" cut into ductwork and mounts on a separate, lightweight bracket for accurate leveling.



#### Control Included —

Three control packages available: VisionPRO® IAQ, which operates from existing thermostat wiring, TruelAQ™ Control or Manual Humidistat.



**No Tools Required For Wiring** — Push terminals for easy wiring are routed through an interior harness so no wires are exposed.



**Dual-Action Water Valve** — Solenoid design automatically fills and drains in one part as needed.



**5-Year Warranty**



### GENERALAire Elite Steam DS15

#### Requires Screws and Anchors —

Humidifier base must be held in place and fastened to the mounting location using pre-drilled screws and anchors to secure.



#### Control Not Included —

Base package does not include a humidistat. One automatic humidistat is available in a separate kit, but requires new wiring if control in living space is desired.



**Tools Required** — Wiring requires a Phillips-head screwdriver or bit.



**Separate Water Valves** — Fill and drain functionality is operated from two separate parts.



**2-Year Warranty**



# Maintenance Comparison

Honeywell TrueSTEAM™ requires less time to clean than GENERALAire® and other whole-house humidifiers.

## Honeywell

**Step 1:**  
Press the "Empty" button to drain the tank. When the tank is empty, the "Clean Tank" light will be on. The patented\* fill/drain solenoid will reverse water flow within it to automatically clear it of excess debris.



**Step 2:**  
Unlock the manual handle to disengage the fill/drain solenoid from the tank.



**Step 3:**  
Grip the valve toggle and slide it back to disengage the tank connection.



**Step 4:**  
Hold the tank's bottom with one hand while pressing the safety button down and releasing the tank latch. The tank and internal components can be cleaned with soap and water or put in the dishwasher.



\* Patent pending

## Learn More

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## GENERALAire®

**Step 1:**  
Press and hold the "Drain" button until the cylinder is empty.



**Step 2:**  
Turn the humidifier off and disconnect the main power.



**Step 3:**  
Remove the four cover screws using a screwdriver and remove the cover.



**Step 4:**  
Disconnect the electrical connections from the cylinder's top cover.



**Step 5:**  
Remove the steam hose from the cylinder.



**Step 6:**  
Lift bracket to release the cylinder from the humidifier.



**Step 7:**  
Remove the tank from the humidifier. Remove cylinder from the tank.



**Step 8:**  
After cleaning the tank, install the new cylinder into the tank and reinsert into the humidifier.



**Step 9:**  
The plastic tank, fill and drain valves may be cleaned using a solution of Lime-A-Way, CLR or 5% phosphoric acid, then rinse with water.



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