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## **Rheem 2nd Generation Tankless Line Makes Water Heater Sizing as Easy as 1-2-3**

***Three different tankless models meet the hot-water demands of most homes, whether with one, two or three baths, making sizing and selection easier than ever for kitchen and bath dealers.***

LAS VEGAS (MAY 8, 2007) — Rheem Water Heating recently added an intermediate-size residential tankless gas water heater, providing up to 5.3 gallons of water per minute (GPM) and designed to meet the hot-water needs of single-family homes with two bathrooms. Available in indoor direct vent, indoor power vent, and outdoor versions, the RTG-53 series is neatly positioned between Rheem's other three residential tankless series: the RTG2-42, designed for homes with one bathroom; and the RTG-74, for homes with three bathrooms. For homes with more than three bathrooms, select a model from the GT-199 Heavy-Duty Series.



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*Rheem tankless residential selection - Easy as 1-2-3*  
*These selections are based on typical showers & faucets operating simultaneously.*

1 BATHROOM HOMES	2 1-2 BATHROOM HOMES	3 2-3 BATHROOM HOMES	3 <sup>OR</sup> MORE BATHROOM HOMES
<b>RTG2-42 Series</b> Indoor Power Vent Model	<b>RTG-53 Series</b> Indoor Direct Vent, Power Vent or Outdoor Model	<b>RTG-74 Series</b> Indoor Direct Vent, Power Vent or Outdoor Model	<b>GT-199 Heavy Duty</b> Indoor Direct Vent, Power Vent or Outdoor Model
			
RTG2-42PV Natural or LP Gas Remote Control	RTG-53DV Natural or LP Gas RTG-53PV Natural or LP Gas RTG-53X Natural or LP Gas Remote Control	RTG-74DV Natural or LP Gas RTG-74PV Natural or LP Gas RTG-74X Natural or LP Gas Remote Control	GT-199DV Natural or LP Gas GT-199PV Natural or LP Gas GT-199X Natural or LP Gas Remote Control

Typical shower - up to 2.5 gallons of water flow per minute; typical faucets - up to 2 gallons of water flow per minute  
Heavy duty models are recommended for hot water circulating systems.  
Model selections and availability are subject to change without notice.

“Proper sizing is as critical to tankless water heaters as it is to their tank-type counterparts,” says Jim Cika, Rheem Specialty Water Heating Manager. “But too often, identifying the right tankless model for a residential application can be confusing to kitchen and bath dealers and their installers. With the new RTG-53 models joining the other three model series in our line, Rheem has made the tankless sizing job for residential applications as easy as 1-2-3.”

**New direct vent model:** Rheem has further simplified the sizing and selection process for tankless water heaters by adding direct vent models to its RTG-74 Series. These 7.4 GPM products are the perfect solution not only for households that need large volumes of hot water, but also for “tight,” new-home construction that makes drawing sufficient makeup air into the combustion process a challenge. Rheem direct vent products are designed to draw all combustion air in from *outside* the home, eliminating the need for

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any additional indoor provisions for combustion air and alleviating indoor air quality problems.

**State of the art features:** Rheem 2nd generation tankless water heaters are the perfect solution to a wide variety of residential hot water applications. About the size of a conventional medicine cabinet, these powerful, sophisticated, high-efficiency units deliver a continuous supply of hot water on demand, eliminating the need for a large storage tank and the high cost of heating and re-heating the water in it.

All Rheem tankless models offer the following new features:

- The 140°F thermostat is standard.
- UMC-117 remote control can be set for 120°F, the standard setting for Rheem tankless units, and up to a maximum 140°F.
- Auto-On feature automatically restores power to the unit after a power outage.
- After power is restored, the thermostat resets itself to the previously selected temperature.
- 0.66 GPM minimum activation flow is standard on all models.

Like the 1st generation Rheem tankless water heater line, all 2nd generation products have an Energy Factor greater than .80, which qualifies these units for a federal income tax credit of up to \$300 under the new Energy Policy Act of 2005. In addition, Rheem 2nd generation products continue to offer the following features:

- Exclusive: Guardian SBT – sensing burner technology.
- Exclusive: Guardian OFW – overheat film wrap.
- Exclusive: Two high-altitude options – up to 6,560-foot or 9,840-foot elevations.
- Exclusive: All Rheem tankless models are third-party-certified by GAMA.
- Low NOx emissions: All models are SCAQMD and TCEQ approved.

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**NOTE:** A publication-quality photograph of the 2nd generation product group can be downloaded at the following locations on the web:

<http://www.LNCmail.com/pr/rh0738-tankless123.html>

When the image appears, right-click on image to download. Then convert the saved image to the proper resolution for your publication.

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