# Appliance Diagnostic Modes Refrigerator





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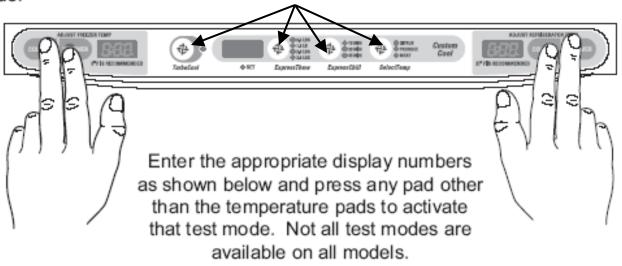


PSS and GSS 23, 25, 27, and 29

#### Control Diagnostics

Make sure controls are set to either "5" & "5" or "37" & "0"

Enter the diagnostic mode by pressing both the freezer temperature (COLDER and WARMER) pads and the refrigerator temperature (COLDER and WARMER) pads simultaneously. All four pads must be held for approximately 3 seconds. Blinking "0"s in both displays indicate the refrigerator has entered the test mode. Now press any other pad between the FF & FRZ displays to lock test mode.



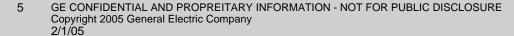
**Note 1:** Display order is #1 = Fresh Food Evaporator Thermistor, #2 = Fresh Food Thermistor, #3 = Custom Cool Thermistor, #4 = Freezer Evaporator Thermistor, #5 = Freezer Thermistor.

Thermistor test results are: P = Pass, 0 = Fail, S = Short to 5 VDC, B = Bad amplifier (replace main control).

**Note 2:** You **must** enter the defrost test again to toggle the defrost heater off at the end of the test. The heater will not come on if the evaporator thermistor is above 70°F.

**Note 3:** To exit the Temperature Control LED Test, press both refrigerator temperature pads (COLDER and WARMER) simultaneously for 3 seconds.







	Freezer Display	Refrigerator Display	Mode	Comments	
	0	2	Temperature control panel to main control board communication	P on the FZ display if OK. F on the FZ display if not OK.	
,	0	3	Temperature control panel to dispenser board communication	P on the FZ display if OK. F on the FZ display if not OK.	
	0	4	Dispenser board to main control board communication	P on the FZ display if OK. F on the FZ display if not OK.	
	0	6	Temperature control panel self- test	See Temperature Control Panel Self-Test on page 35.	
	0	7	Control and sensor system self- test	See Control and Sensor Self-Test on page 36.	
	1	0	Open damper	Damper will open, pause briefly, then close.	
t	1	1	Fan speed test *	Each fan will run for 10 seconds, then stop.	
	1	2	100% run time	This mode runs the sealed system 100% of the time for 1 hour.	
	1	3	Enter pre-chill	This places the freezer in pre-chill mode. The refrigerator will return to normal operation on its own.	
	1	4	Enter defrost	This will set the refrigerator into the defrost mode. If the cabinet is not cold when executed, this mode may execute extremely fast. The refrigerator will return to normal operation on its own.	
	1	5	Refrigerator reset	Causes a system reset.	
	1	6	Test mode exit	Causes system to exit test mode and resets temperature control panel.	
	1	7	Degree C/F	Refrigerator temperature adjust keys can be used to change display from F to C or C to F.	

Table 2. Diagnostic Tests

\* NOTE: Only do this test if model was built in 2002 or later.



#### Testing

The most accurate method of testing a thermistor is to place it in a glass of ice water for several minutes. The thermistor should read approximately 16KΩ in the glass of 33°F ice water.

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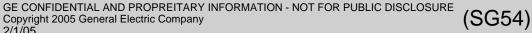
Note: Thermistors can also be checked for an open or shorted condition by using the diagnostic mode (see Service Diagnostics).

Table 2. Thermistor Values				
Temperature Degrees (C)	Temperature Degrees (F)	Resistance in Kilo- Ohms		
-40	-40	166.8 kΩ		
-35	-31	120.5 kΩ		
-30	-22	88 kΩ		
-25	-13	65 kΩ		
-20	-4	48.4 kΩ		
-15	5	36.4 kΩ		
-10	14	27.6 kΩ		
-5	23	21 kΩ		
0	32	16.3 kΩ		
5	41	12.7 kΩ		
10	50	10 kΩ		
15	59	7.8 kΩ		
20	68	6.2 kΩ		
25	77	5 kΩ		
30	86	4 kΩ		
35	95	3.2 kΩ		
40	104	2.6 kΩ		
45	113	2.2 kΩ		
50	122	1.8 kΩ		
55	131	1.5 kΩ		
60	140	1.2 kΩ		

NOTE: The thermistor's resistance has a negative coefficient. As the temperature increases, the thermistor's resistance decreases.







#### THERMISTOR MODEL COMMUNICATION ENCODER SELECT INPUTS I INPUT/OUTPUT I 0 0 0 0 0 00000000000 0000000000 **INPUTS** 000000 ACCUMULATED FF AND FRZ DOOR OPENINGS (MINUTES) FAN OUTPUTS 00000000 COMPRESSOR RUNTIME (MINUTES) DEFROST HEATER ON TIME (MINUTES) **PROCESSING** UNIT **OUTPUTS** COOLING PRE-CHILL **DEFROST** K2 C/CR K1 AUGER J8 J9 J11 COMPRESSOR DOOR DEFROST SWITCH OUTPUTS





Main ControlBoard Locator Table (Low -Voltage Side)						
Connector	Pin	W ime Color	Component Termination	Pin-to-Pin Voltage Reading		
J1	1	Blue /Red	Fresh food therm istor#1	J1 pin 1 to pin 5 = 2.8 to 3.5 VDC		
J1	2	Yellow	Fresh food therm istor#2	J1 pin 2 to pin 5 = 2.8 to 3.5 VDC		
J1	3	Red/W hite	Freezertherm istor	J1 pin 3 to pin 5 = 2.8 to 3.5 VDC		
J1	4	Blue/White	Evaporatorthem istor	J1 pin 4 to pin 5 = 2.8 to 3.5 VDC		
J1	5	Blue	Themmistorsupply voltage (5 VDC)	J1 pin 5 to J4 pin 3 = 5 VDC		



	J2	1	Blue	Evaporatorfan tachom eter	J2 pin 1 to pin 3 = 6.3 VDC	
	J2	2	Blue/White	Fan input	J2 pin 2 to pin 3 = 12 VDC	
	J2	3	W hite	Fan com m on	J2 pin 3 to pin 8 = 12 VDC	
	J2	4	Yellow Black	Evaporatorfan	J2 pin 4 to pin 3 = 12.4 VDC  (high speed), 8 VDC (bw  speed)	
•	J2	5	Yellow	Condenserfan	J2 pin 5 to pin 3 = 13 4 VDC (condenser fan is single speed)	
	J2	6	Black/White	Fresh food fan	J2 pin 6 to pin 3 = 0 VDC (high speed), 3 VDC (bw speed)	
	J2	7	Notused	Notapplicable	Notapplicable	
	J2	8	Red	Fan supply voltage (12 VDC)	J2 pin 8 to pin 6 = 13 A VDC (high speed), 9 VDC (bw speed) J2 pin 8 to J4 pin 3 = 13 A VDC	





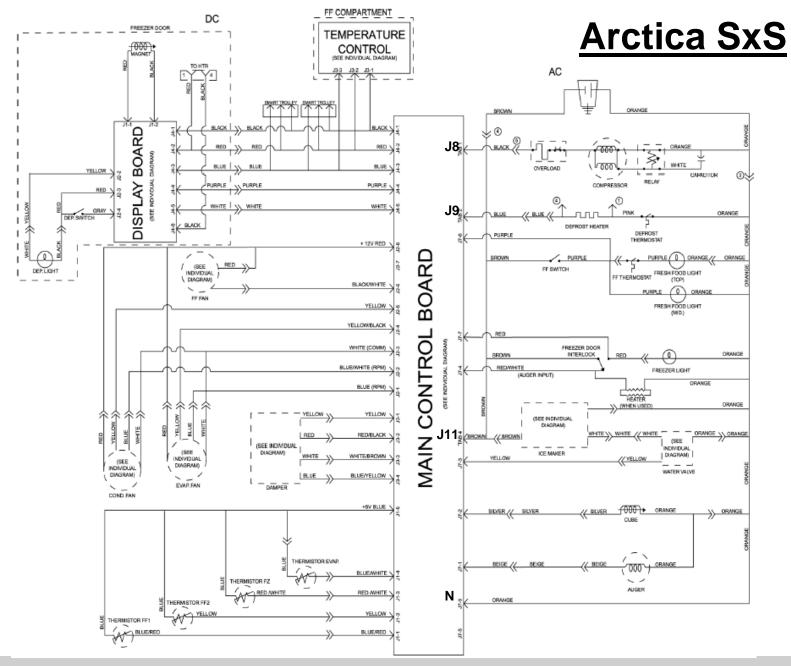
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Connector	Ρin	W ime Color	Component Temmination	Pin to Pin Voltage Reading
J3	1	Yellow	Dam per	J3 pin 1 to J4 pin 3 = Standing Voltage 2.3 VDC Traveling Voltage 6.0 VDC
J3	2	Red/Black	J3 pin 2 to J4 pin 3 Black Damper Standing Voltage 2. Traveling Voltage 6	
J3	3	White/Brown	Brown Damper Standing Voltage Traveling Voltage	
J3	4	Blue/Yellow	Dam per	J3 pin 4 to J4 pin 3 = Standing Voltage 2.3VDC Traveling Voltage 6.0 VDC
J4	1	Black	Dispenserboard  com m on See schem atic  transm it/receive	
J4	2	Red	Dispenserboard common See so	
J4	3	Blue	Dispenserboard common ground	See schem atic



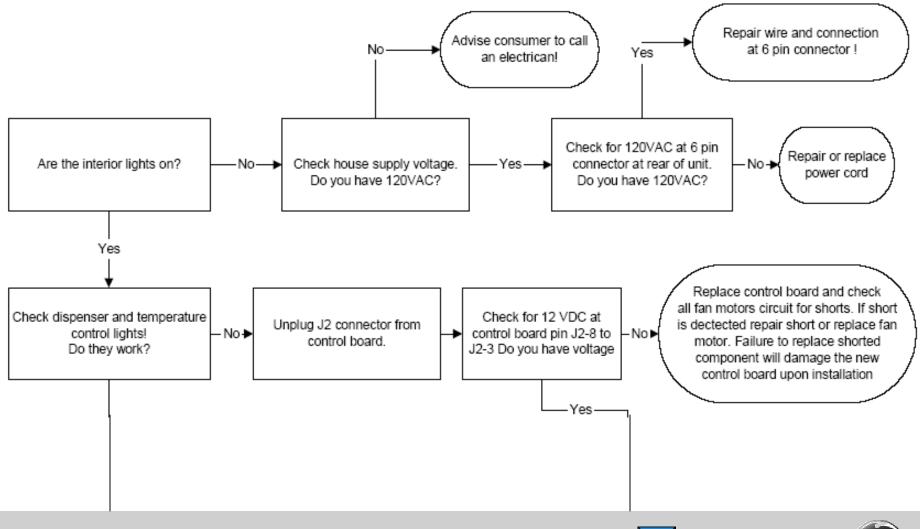
Main ControlBoard Locator Table (120-VAC Side)					
Connector Pin Wire Color		Component Termination	Pin to Pin Voltage Reading		
J7	J7 1 Beige		Augerm otor	J7 pin 1 to J7 pin 9 + 120 VAC	
J7	2	Silver	Cube solenoid	J7 pin 2 to J7 pin 9 + 120 VAC	
J7	3 Yellow		W atervalve	J7 pin 3 to J7 pin 9 + 120 VAC	
J7	7 4 Red./White		Augerm otorinterbck	J7 pin 4 to J7 pin 9 + 120 VAC	
J7	7 5 Blue/White		Q uick chillheater	J7 pin 5 to J7 pin 9 + 120 VAC	
J7	6 Pumple		Fresh food door light switch feedback	J7 pin 6 to J7 pin 9 + 120 VAC	
J7 7 Red		Red	Freezerdoorlightswitch feedback	J7 pin 7 to J7 pin 9 + 120 VAC	
J7 8		Notused	Notused	Notused	
J7 9 0:		0 range	Neutral	Neutral	





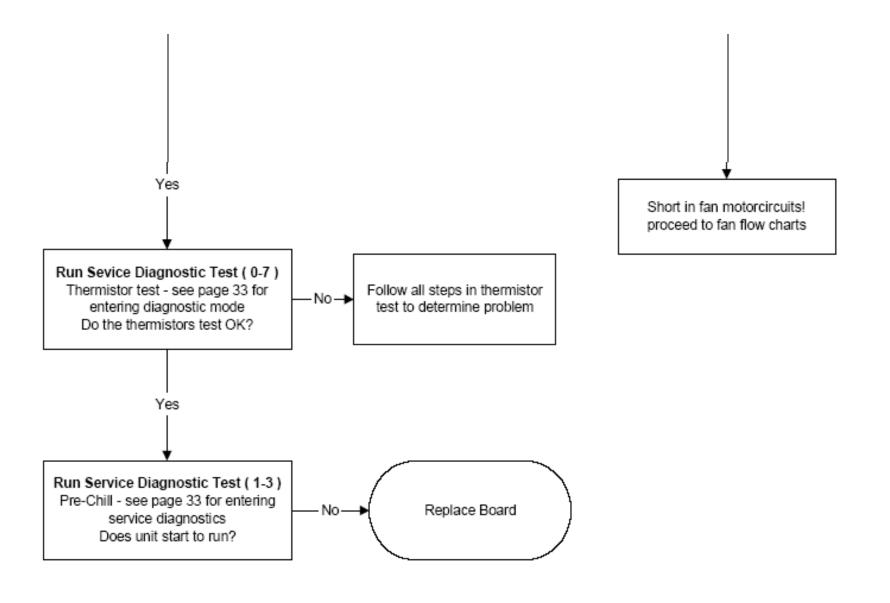


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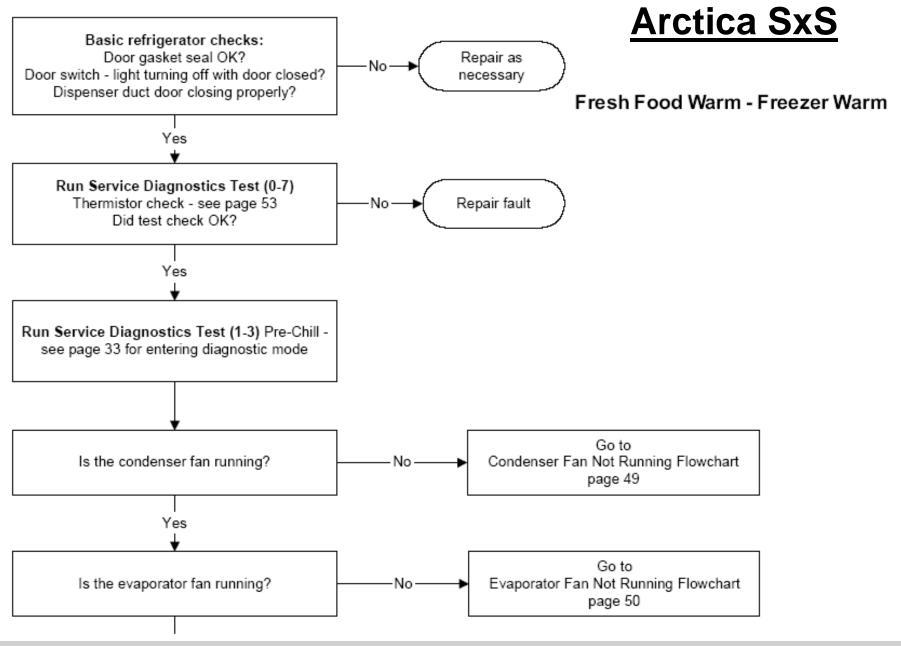


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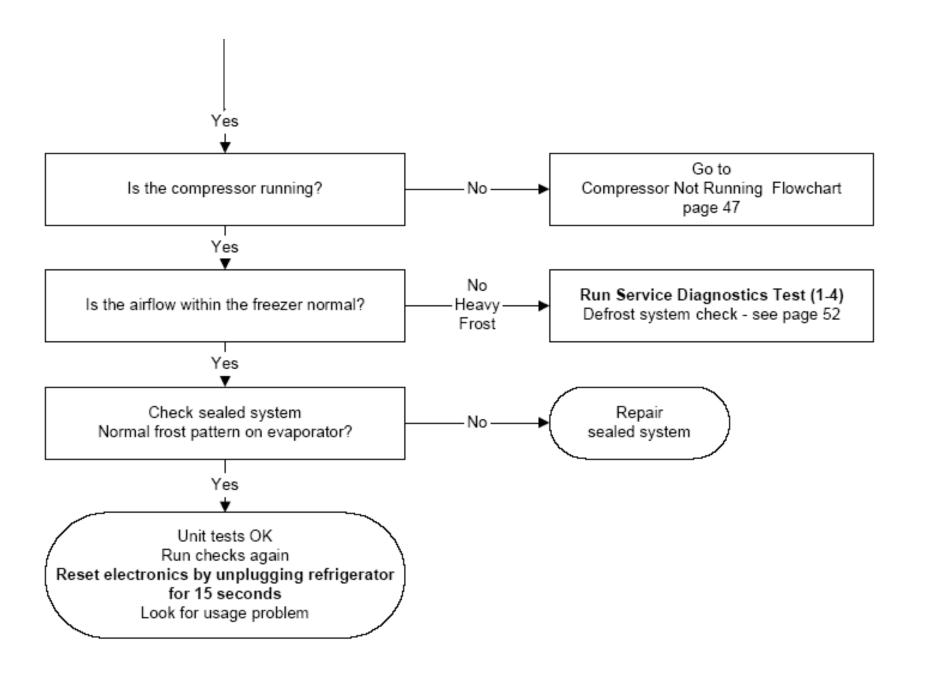






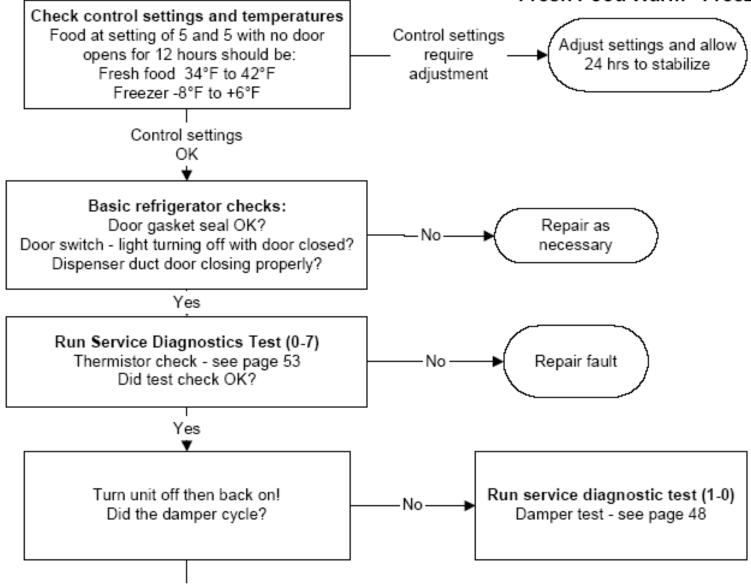




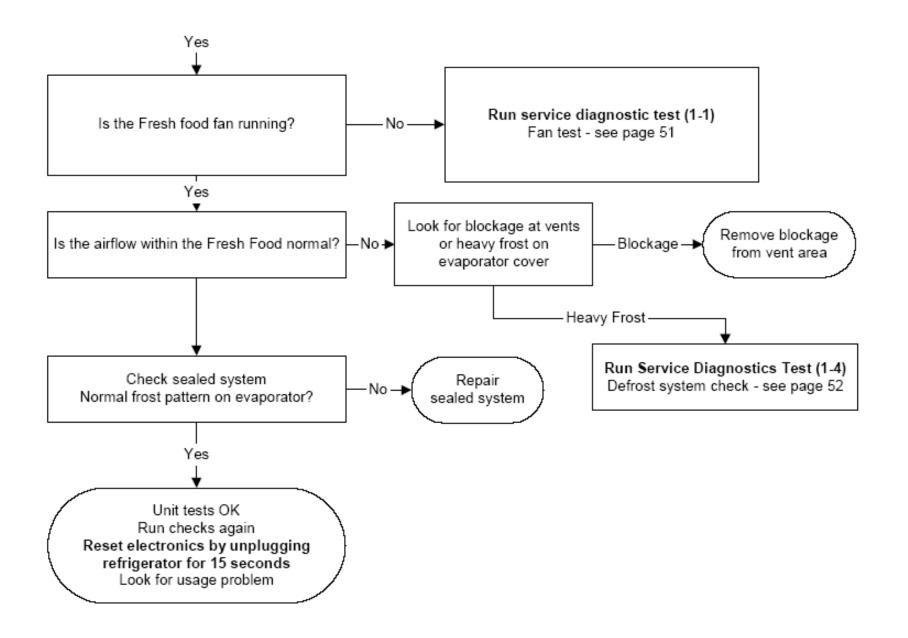




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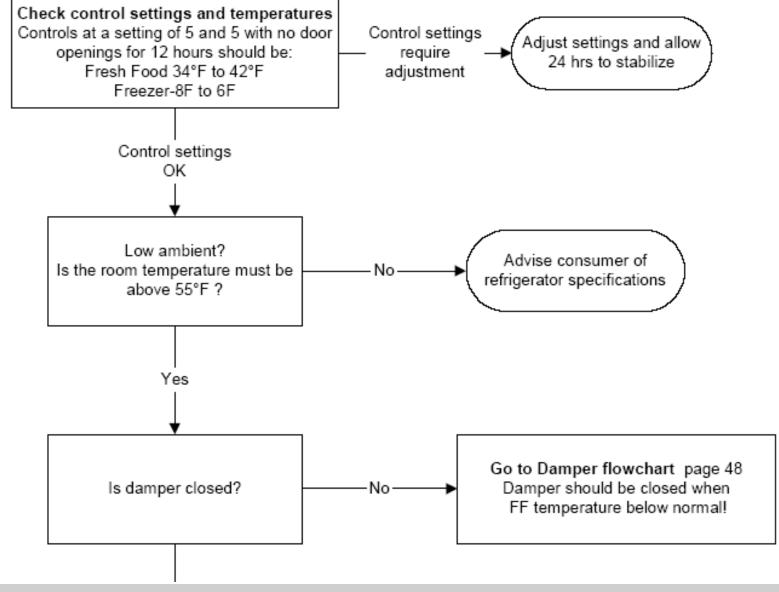




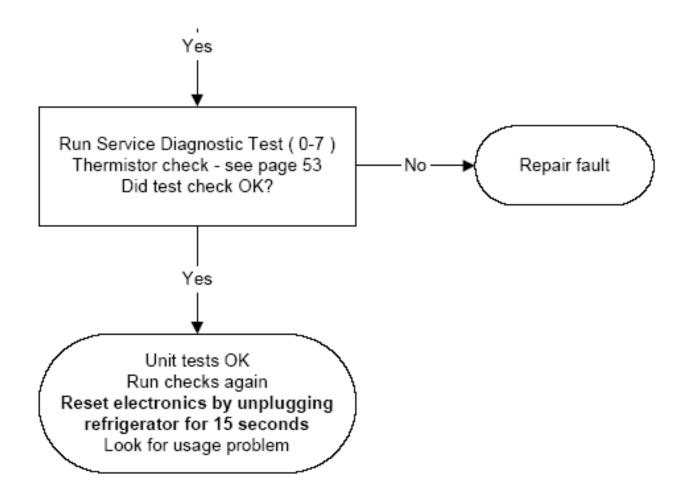




Fresh Food Too Cold - Freezer Normal



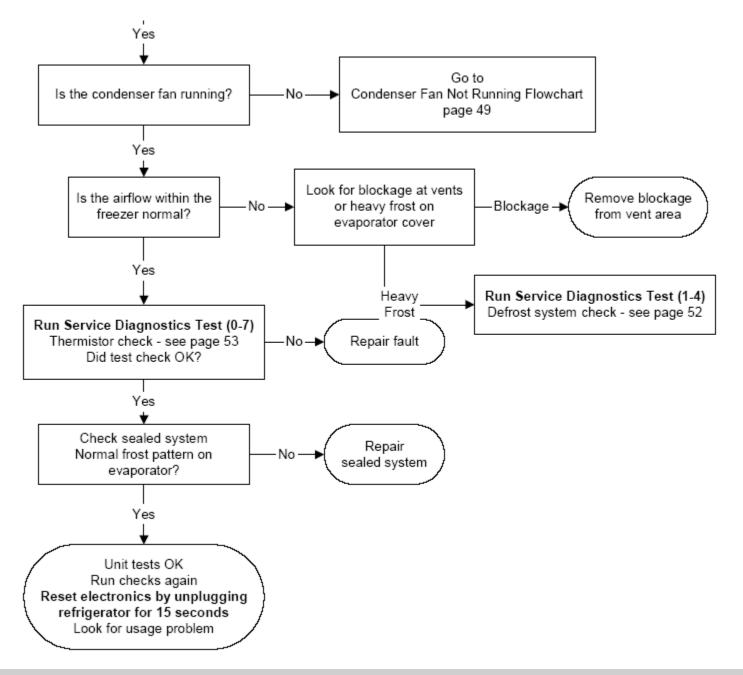




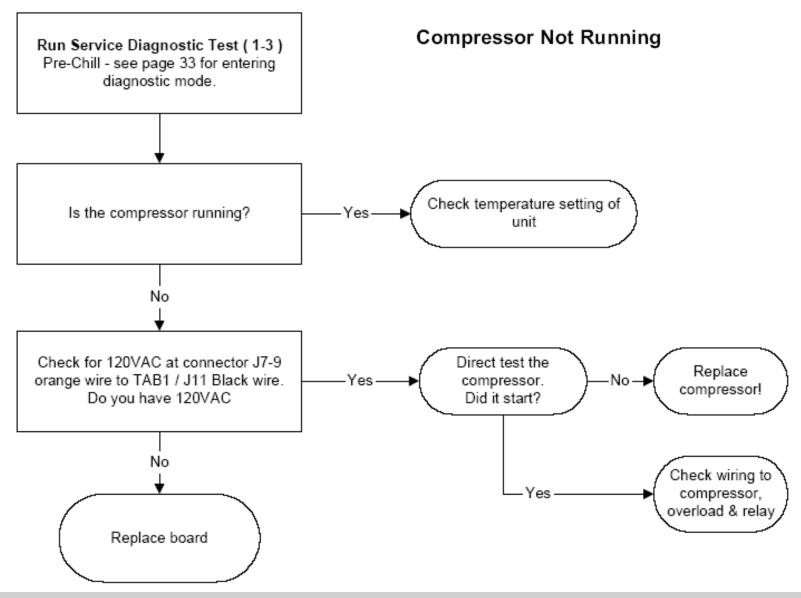
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Freezer Warm - Fresh Food Normal Check control settings and temperatures Food at a setting of 5 and 5 with no Control settings Adjust settings and allow door openings for 12 hours should be: require 24 hrs to stabilize Fresh food 34°F to 42°F adjustment Freezer -8°F to +6°F Control settings OK Basic refrigerator checks: Door gasket seal OK? Repair as No→ Door switch - light turning off with door closed? necessary Dispenser duct door closing properly? Yes Run Service Diagnostics Test (1-3) Pre-Chill - see page 33 for entering diagnostic mode Go to Is the evaporator fan running? Evaporator Fan Not Running Flowchart ·Nopage 50

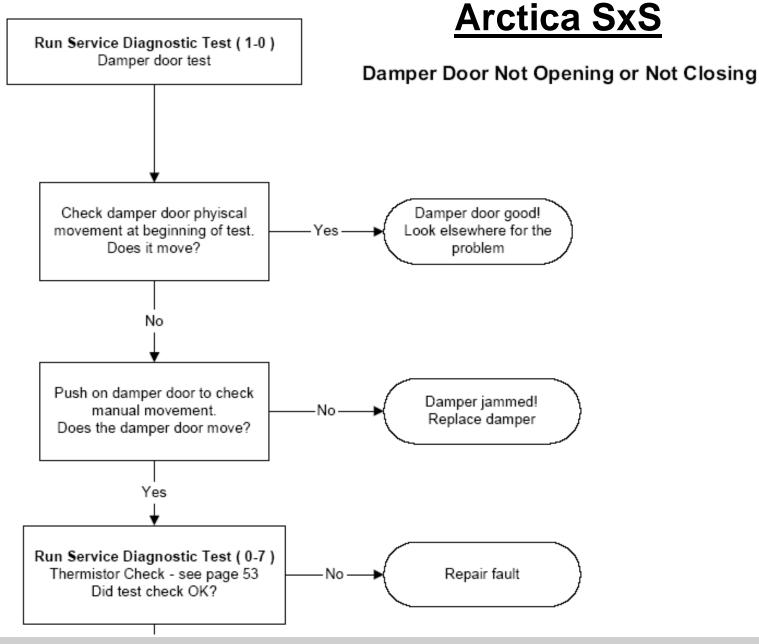




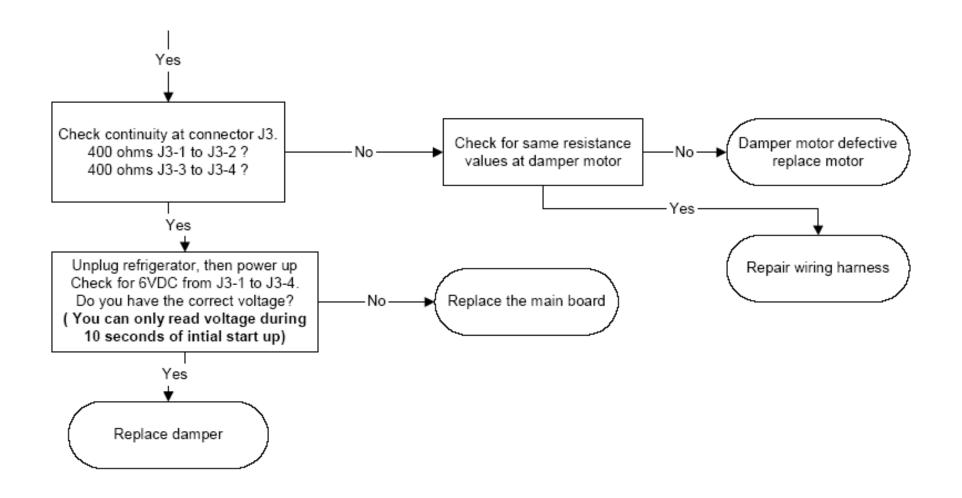


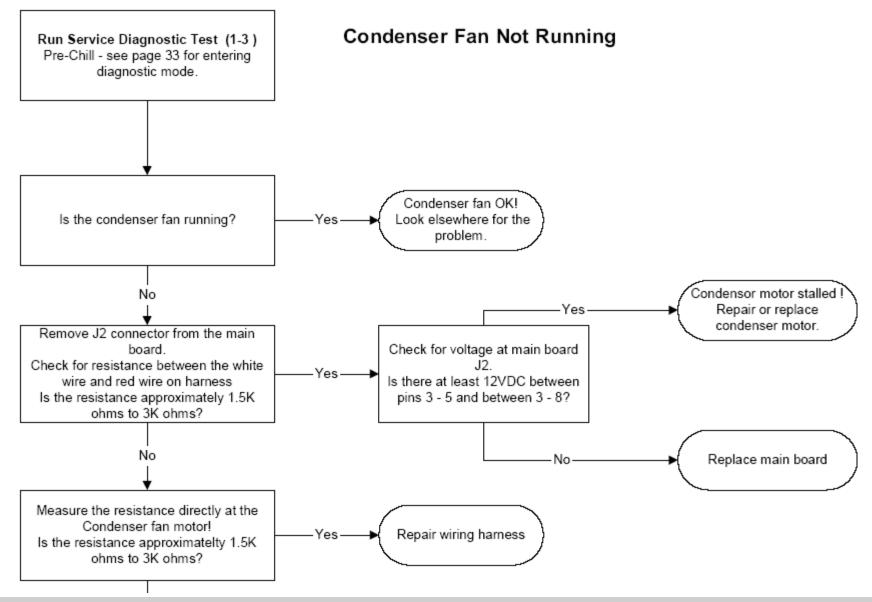




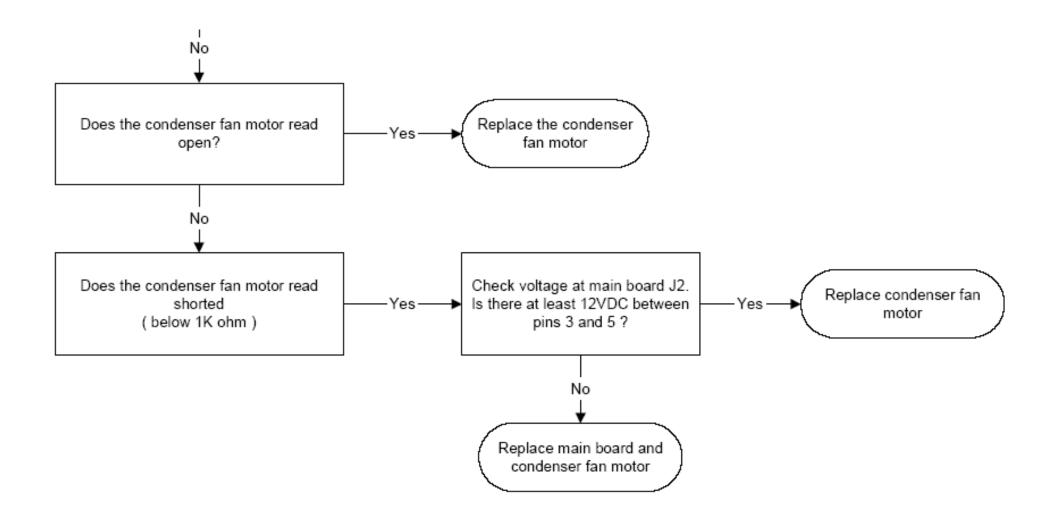




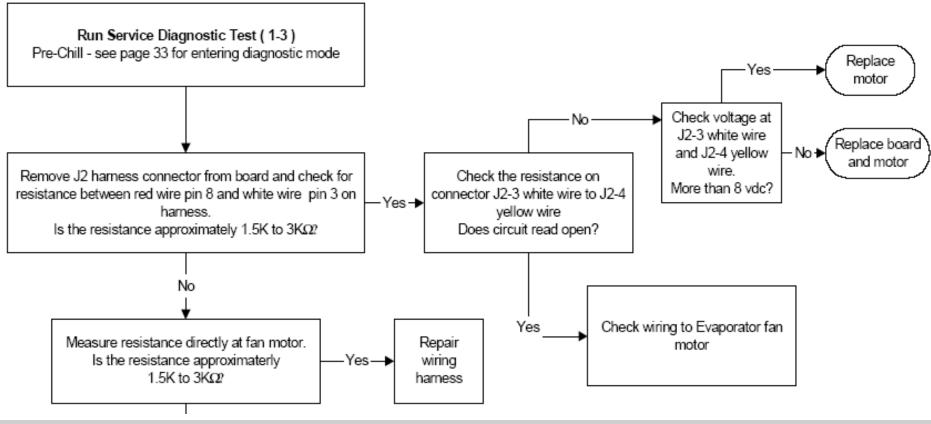




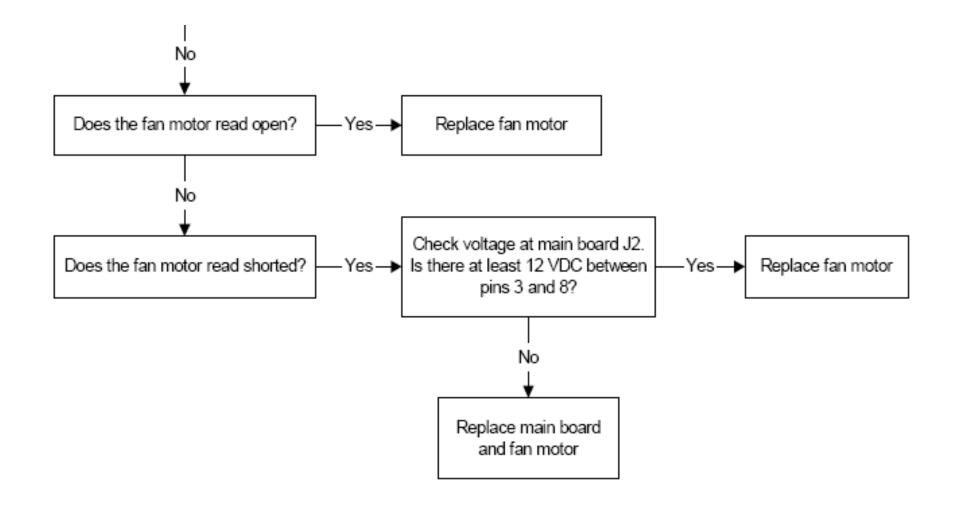




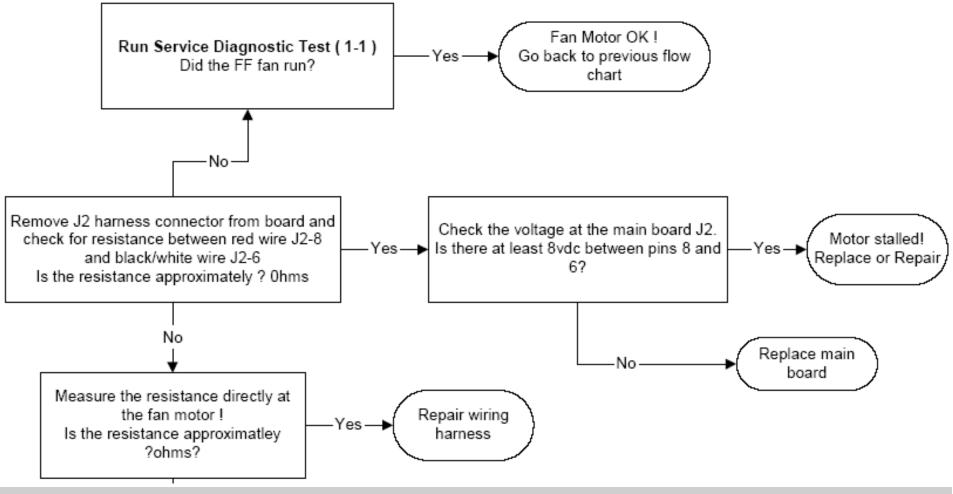
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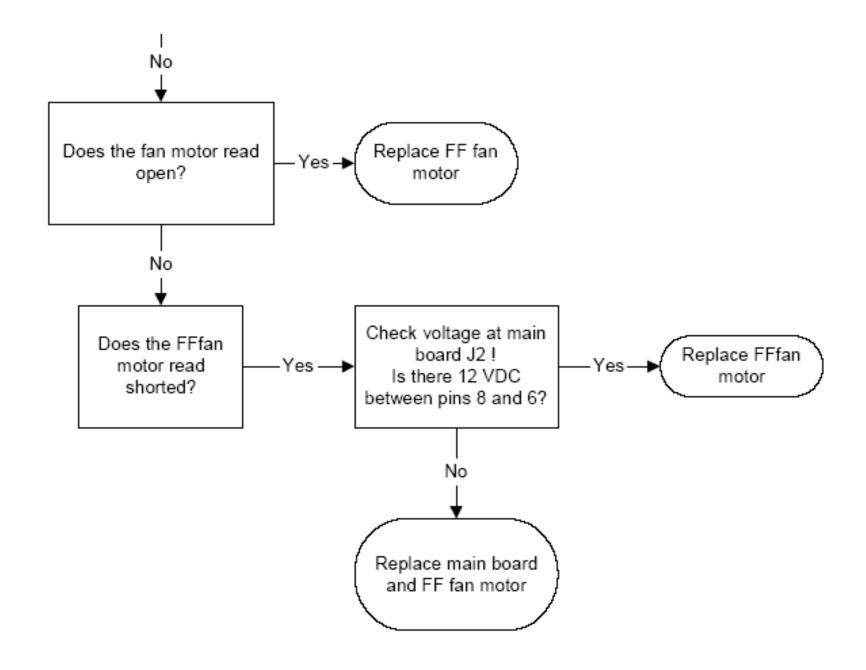




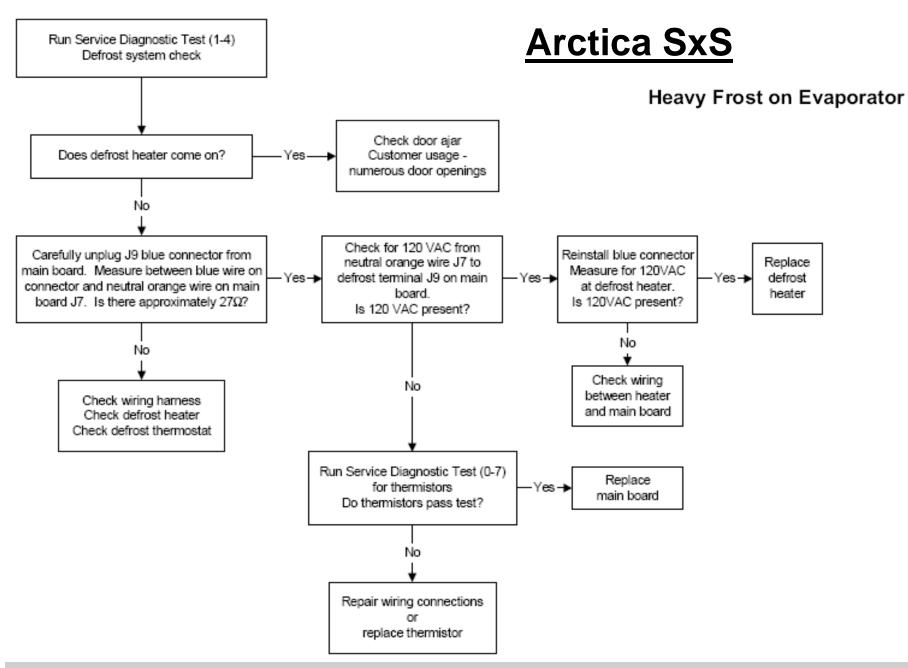
#### Fresh Food Fan Not Running













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#### **Arctica SxS** Run Service Diagnostic Test (0-7) Thermistor test - see page 33 for entering diagnostic mode Thermistor Test Verify thermistors are within Do all thermistors available on specific proper range using Yes: model pass diagnostic test? temperature/resistance chart on page 54 No Did diagnostic test show O? Check wiring connections for an open Yes: circuit. If OK, replace thermistor. ( open sensor ) No Did diagnostic test show S? Check wiring connections for a short ( shorted sensor ) in the circuit. If OK, replace thermistor. Nο Did diagnostic test show B? Replace Yes-(bad 5VDC circuit) main board





## **GE SxS**

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**GSS22** 

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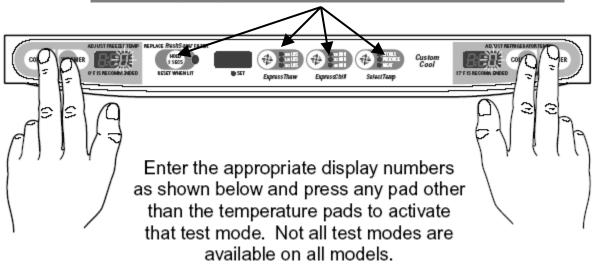
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## GE Electronic Refrigerator Diagnostic Aid - SxS

Once connected to the refrigerator, enter the diagnostic mode by pressing both the freezer temperature (colder and warmer) pads and the refrigerator temperature (colder and warmer) pads simultaneously. All four pads must be held for approximately 3 seconds. Blinking "0's" in both displays indicate the refrigerator has entered the test mode.

#### Press any key pad in the middle to lock in test.



- Note 1. Display order is #1) Fresh Food 1 #2) Fresh Food 2 #3) Custom Cool #4) Evaporator #5) Freezer Thermistor test results are: P = Pass 0 = Fail S = Short to 5 VDC B = Bad amplifier (replace control)
- **Note 2.** You **must** enter the defrost test again to toggle the defrost heater off at the end of the test. The heater will not come on if the evaporator thermistor is warm.

Refer to Service Guide 31-9072 for additional information





FREEZER DISPLAY	FRESH FOOD DISPLAY	DIAGNOSTICS	RESULTS	COMMENTS
0	2	Communication check between Temperature Control and Main Control	"P" on freezer display if OK and "F" if problem is found	
0	3	Communication check between Dispenser Control & Temperature Control	"P" on freezer display if OK and "F" if problem is found	Dispenser models only
0	4	Communication check between Dispenser Control and Main Control	"P" on freezer display if OK and "F" if problem is found	Dispenser models only
0	5	Encoder Test	As the knob is rotated the display will show the corresponding setting	Only for models with temperature control knobs
0	7	Control and Sensor System Test	Checks each thermistor and displays "P" for pass and "0" for fail	See Note 1 below
0	8	Duct Door Test	Opens the dispenser duct door for 10 seconds, then closes.	Only for dispensers with 5 or more touch pads
1	0	Dampers Test	Opens each damper, pauses briefly and then closes.	Includes Custom Cool dampers if applicable
1	2	100% Run Time	Sealed system on 100% of the time. Times out after 1 hour.	
1	3	Prechill Test	Starts Prechill mode. Unit returns to normal on its own.	
1	4	Defrost Test	Toggles on the Defrost cycle. See Note 2	Must press again to turn heaters off. See Note 2
1	5	Main Control Reset	Causes a system reset	
1	6	Exit Diagnostic Mode	Causes a temperature control board reset	
1	7	Degrees C°/F'	Changes from F° to C° or C' to F° on temperature display	Press FF temperature pad (warmer/colder) to toggle

