

Circa 1918 Wayne Gas Pump

Manufacturing Information

Manufactured By Wayne Tank & Pump Company

Assembled At Fort Wayne, Indiana

Model Production Unknown (this model is circa 1918)

Annual Production Unknown
Body Model 276

Horsepower Does not apply

Weight Unknown
1918 Cost Unknown

Innovations

Considered to be accurate and dependable Included four screens and a filter Optional top-mounted globe or light available

Improved Accuracy/Dependability

This pump features a vertically oriented pump in its base which is operated by hand. It is a five-gallon pump, meaning that it pumps five gallons for each full rotation. The pump's sheet metal housing is in two sections. The lower section of the gas pump is permanently fixed. The upper section is raised and lowered via a system of counterweights. To secure the pump, you simply lower the upper section into the base and lock it in place. When raised and locked in place, the mechanism is ready to dispense the fuel. All Model 276 incorporates a tall, cast iron globe holder. This pump used a hose with a non-valved "wet" nozzle. By the late teens, the gasoline filling station had come of age. Pumps such as this were often installed in rows on islands, dispensed different grades of fuel.

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