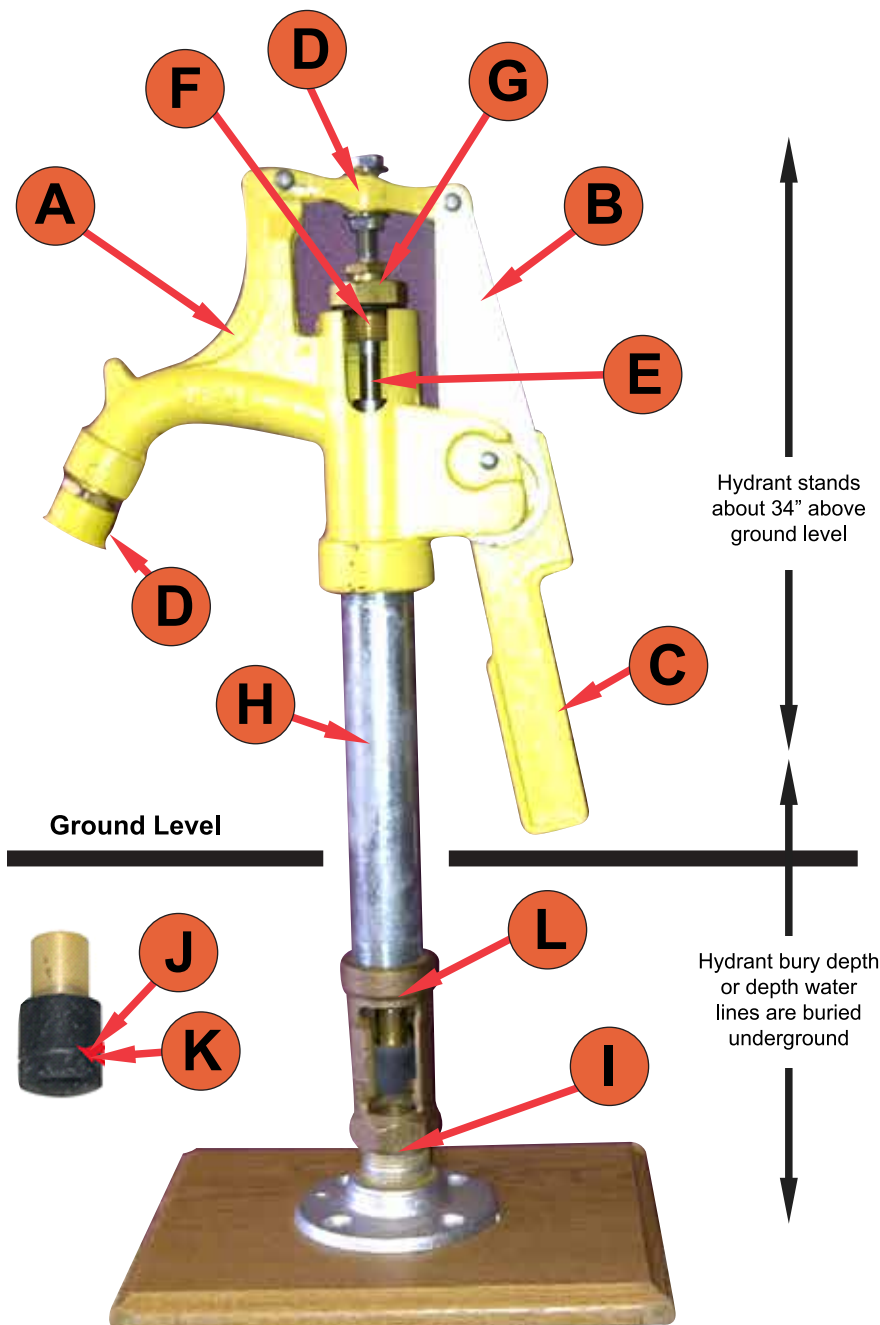


## R-Series Water Hydrant

The Ritchie hydrant has been carried by Jad-Vent Distributors Ltd., for 35 years. It is very reliable and easily serviced without having to dig it out to accomplish this.

In 2009, Ritchie turned over manufacture of this product to Merrill Manufacturing, in Storm Lake IOWA, a company that manufactures a variety of hydrant styles.

Merrill took the Ritchie hydrant design and made some improvements, therefore the parts are not interchangeable. Due to Merrill's modern manufacturing facilities, these hydrants are now more competitively priced yet they still maintain the 'Ritchie' reliability and serviceability!



## Features And Benefits

- A Heavy Cast Iron Head**  
 Stands up to abuse and has high flow rate
- B Draw Straps;** made of 1040 hot rolled steel-harder and stronger, greatly reduces wear.  
 Longest operating life
- C Heavy Cast Iron Handle**  
 Easy to grip and longer life
- D Rocker Arm and Operating Rod with two nuts**  
 Adjustment for years, not like a rusting set screw
- E Easy to Adjust**  
 Longest life-Quality material
- F Brass Packing Gland with Teflon Packing**  
 Non-corrosive packing gland, longest lasting packing
- G Easy Plunger Replacement,** by removing packing gland and lifting out plunger through head assembly.  
 Quick Plunger replacement
- H Schedule 40 Galvanized Riser Pipe**  
 Long lasting riser pipe
- I 1" Valve Inlet Size**  
 Easy installation and better flow rate
- J One Piece Molded Plunger with Lubricant,** uses double seal design to assure positive shut off.  
 Plunger positively opens drain to prevent freezing and positively closes drain even at slow flow rates.  
 Economical design that still closes drain hole before flow starts.
- K Long life plunger** is molded with ethylene propylene material that is self-lubricating and will not bond to brass valve body .  
 Longest operating life in one piece design
- L Double Bypass Valve Body** provides a large volume of water and the time-proven design used for over fifty years.  
 High water flow with economical design.