HD-2-FM Controlair® Valve

Service Information

INSTALLATION

The HD-2-FM CONTROLAIR is designed for panel mounting. The valve may be installed and removed from the top. Refer to page 2 for panel opening and thickness dimensions. All piping connections are made to a removable pipe bracket. Piping connections need not be broken to remove the valve for service. Loosen bolts 4 to remove the CONTROLAIR Valve.

Two units can be operated simultaneously with one hand if desired. Mount the units side by side with the pipe brackets 180° apart. The L-shaped handles will come close enough together to be manipulated with one hand.

Before installing the CONTROLAIR Valve, all air lines in the system should be blown clean to remove any moisture, dirt, or harmful contamination. Strainers are furnished in all ports to protect the valve from large particles of foreign matter in the line. To further ensure long, trouble-free service, a 10 MICRON or better filter should be installed in the IN port (No. 2 on the pipe bracket) of the HD-2-FM CONTROLAIR Valve.

MAINTENANCE

Maintenance periods should be scheduled in accordance with frequency of use and working environment of the HD-2-FM CONTROLAIR Valve.

One complete CONTROLAIR Valve should be kept for each four valves in service. During the maintenance period, replace the complete valve with the “stand-by” unit. This will reduce production time loss and afford inspection and replacement of worn parts at a more appropriate or opportune time and favorable location.

Notice that the operating portion of a valve can be removed without disturbing the pipe connections. Remove the valve from the pipe bracket by loosening (4) bolts and lift the unit free.

No special tools are required to maintain the CONTROLAIR Valve.

All valves must be visually inspected for wear and given an “in system” operating performance and leakage test at least once a year. If these visual observations indicate valve repair is required, the valve must be removed, repaired and tested.

A major overhaul is recommended at one million cycles. However, where frequency of use is such that it would require more than two years to obtain one million cycles, the valve must be overhauled at the two year period.

When it is determined that the CONTROLAIR Valve requires a major repair as a result of the one million cycles, one year routine inspection, or the two year service period has elapsed, the device must be disassembled, cleaned, inspected, parts replaced as required, rebuilt and tested for leakage, and proper operation prior to installation. Refer to MAJOR REPAIR AND MAINTENANCE INSTRUCTION, page 1, and TEST PROCEDURES, page 2.
MAJOR REPAIR AND MAINTENANCE INSTRUCTION

When it is determined that the CONTROLAIR® Valve requires shop repairs (see page 1 for GENERAL MAINTENANCE AND REPAIR RECOMMENDATIONS), the following general instructions are recommended:

Disassembly, Cleaning and Lubrication

Completely disassemble the CONTROLAIR Valve. Wash all metal parts in a non-flammable solvent. Rinse each part thoroughly and blow dry with a low pressure air jet. Arrange the parts on a clean surface.

Inspect and clear strainers (17). Be sure all body and bracket passages are clear and unrestricted. Be sure sensing port orifice in top of diaphragm chamber is clear.

Examine each part carefully. Replace all rubber parts and all other worn or damaged parts. The use of REPAIR KITS R431006521 [P - 064894-00002] is strongly recommended; see page 2.

Reassembly

Valve should be reassembled using new rubber parts and parts indicated by inspection. As reassembly proceeds, lubricate all metal-to-metal wear surfaces with 107 Lubriplate Grease. Lubricate all rubber parts, except diaphragm, with No. 55 Dow Corning Pneumatic Grease. Do not lubricate diaphragm. The exhaust valve and seat may have to be slightly polished for minimum leakage. If necessary, use BW valve lapping compound (600+ grit).

The valve is factory set to provide the appropriate graduated pressure and mechanical operation per part number (see IDENTITY SCHEDULE, page 3). However, after the CONTROLAIR Valve has been disassembled, repaired and reassembled, it must be adjusted and tested for proper operation prior to returning to service. It is recommended that the valve should be connected in a test set up as shown in Figure 2.

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Adjustments, Testing and Test Setup

Four adjustments can be made to the HD-2-FM CONTROLAIR Valve. Adjusting screw (40) changes the maximum and minimum pressure setting, set screw (23) varies the pickup points of valve levers (20) and (22), nut (50) alters the force to move the handle and cam dog pin (19) aligns the cam dog to the cam.

PILOT VALVE LEVER ADJUSTMENT

Remove valve protector (16) and (17). Move the handle (52) back and forth on both sides of the “Neutral” position, observing the action of levers (20) and (22). The corresponding pilot valve should be fully open after the handle moves through the first 15° travel arc. If the pilot valve levers need adjusting, place the handle in a maximum increasing pressure position.

With a 3/32” Allen wrench, turn screw (23) of the activated lever [either (20) or (22)] out, just far enough to crack the exhaust valve.

The gauge (port 1 or port 3) will show a drop in pressure. From this point turn the screw in a full three (3) turns. This will open the inlet valve of the pilot valve to its maximum capacity.

PRESSURE SETTING ADJUSTMENT

Adjusting screw (40) varies the minimum and maximum pressure setting a like amount without changing the range of pressure. Turning the adjusting screw in raises the maximum and minimum pressure (port 8), turning it out decreases the maximum and minimum pressure.

Place the CONTROLAIR Valve handle (52) in the maximum increasing pressure position and turn the adjusting screw (40) in or out until the desired maximum pressure is seen on the air gauge from port 8.

FRICION BRAKE ADJUSTMENT

The handle force of the HD-2-FM CONTROLAIR Valve can be varied by adjusting the nut (50). This adjustment increases or decreases the manual force required to move or hold the handle in any desired position in the handle quadrant.

CAM DOG ADJUSTMENT

Move device handle to Full Travel in one direction. Observe gauge in port 8 and note the pressure. Place the handle in the opposite position, turn the eccentric cam dog pin (19) to position the cam dog until the pressure is halfway between the pressure from port 8 and the maximum pressure range per valve schedule. Repeat pressure setting adjustment.

OPERATION

Refer to the diagrammatic view (Figure 3). With the handle in “Neutral” position, ports 1 and 3 are open to atmosphere through their respective pilot valves and port 8 is at minimum pressure.

The handle operates a concentric cam. The peripheral surface of the larger section is contoured to provide minute positioning increments to the pressure control portion. The OUT port of the pressure control portion is port 8. The side cam surface moves the right and left pilot levers alternately to operate the on-off pilot valves. The OUT ports for the pilot valves are 1 and 3.

Movement of the handle in the first 15° of the handle quadrant opens the inlet valve of the control portion (with preload setting). Graduated pressure flows out of port 8; the activated pilot valve lever closes the exhaust of the directional pilot valve and opens the inlet valve of one of the pilot valves to pass full supply pressure to port 1 or 3, depending on the quadrant the handle is in. Movement of the handle beyond 15° of the handle quadrant increases the pressure at port 8. As the handle is advance toward the maximum pressure position, the pressure at port 8 increases proportionately and the pressure at port 1 or 3 remains at full supply pressure.

The HD-2-FM CONTROLAIR Valve will automatically compensate for downstream pressure changes at port 8. The air pressure changes can be caused by line leakage, temperature changes, or load thrust. If air pressure at port 8 increases over that called for by handle position, the diaphragm (37) in the control portion will deflect downward moving the exhaust valve seat (42) away from the inlet and exhaust valve unit (34) and vent the excess pressure. If the pressure drops below that called for by handle position, the control spring will force the diaphragm (37) upward.

The exhaust valve seat (42) will move the inlet and exhaust valve unit (34) from its seat, opening the IN port 2 to the OUT port 8 to restore the pressure called for.
### Identity Schedule

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**Figure 3. Diagrammatic View**

- **Maximum operating pressure**: 200 psi (13.8 bar)
- **Admissible Medium**: Air, clean and dry
- **Operating Temperature**: -40°F to +160°F (-40°C to +71°C)
- **Hysteresis**: 1 ½ psi (0.10 bar)
- **Control Pressure Range**: See Identity Schedule
- **Pressure Change**: ½ psi (0.03 bar) increment
- **Mounting**: Flange plate
- **Port size**: ½" - 18 NPTF
- **Materials**:
  - Controlair Valve Housing and Body: Die cast aluminum
  - Internal Parts: Brass, rubber (Buna-N), aluminum, steel
- **Weight**: Approx. 4.5 lbs. (2.0 kg)
These kits contain some common parts to renew the valve portions only. For severely worn or damaged valve portions, select additional parts from your service bulletin. All kits contain a small tube of recommended lubricant.
OUTLINE DIMENSIONS

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Figure 5.
NOTICE TO PRODUCT USERS

1. WARNING: FLUID MEDIA
AVENTICS pneumatic devices are designed and tested for use with filtered, clean, dry, chemical free air at pressures and temperatures within the specified limits of the device. For use with media other than air or for human life support systems, AVENTICS must be consulted. Hydraulic cylinders are designed for operation with filtered, clean, petroleum based hydraulic fluid; operation using fire-resistant or other special types of fluids may require special packing and seals. Consult the factory.

2. WARNING: MATERIAL COMPATIBILITY
Damage to product seals or other parts caused by the use of noncompatible lubricants, oil additives or synthetic lubricants in the air system compressor or line lubrication devices voids AVENTICS warranty and can result in product failure or other malfunction. See lubrication recommendations below.

AIR LINE LUBRICATIONS! In service higher than 18 cycles per minute or with continuous flow of air through the device, an air line lubricator is recommended.* (Do not use line lubrication with vacuum products.) However, the lubricator must be maintained since the oil will wash out the grease, and lack of lubrication will greatly shorten the life expectancy. The oils used in the lubricator must be compatible with the elastomers in the device. The elastomers are normally RUBA-N, NITREX, VITON, SILICONE and HYTREL. AVENTICS recommends the use of only petroleum based oils without synthetic additives, and with an aniline point between 180° F and 210° F.

COMPRESSOR LUBRICANTS! All compressors (with the exception of special "oil free" units) pass oil mist or vapor from the internal crankcase lubricating system through to the compressed air. Since even small amounts of non-compatible lubricants can cause severe seal deterioration (which could result in component and system failure) special care should be taken in selecting compatible compressor lubricants.

3. WARNING: INSTALLATION AND MOUNTING
The user of these devices must conform to all applicable electrical, mechanical, piping and other codes in the installation, operation or repair of these devices.

INSTALLATION ! Do not attempt to install, operate or repair these devices without proper training in the technique of working on pneumatic or hydraulic systems and devices, unless under trained supervision. Compressed air and hydraulic systems contain high levels of stored energy. Do not attempt to connect, disconnect or repair these products when a system is under pressure. Always exhaust or drain the pressure from a system before performing any service work. Failure to do so can result in serious personal injury.

MOUNTING! Devices should be mounted and positioned in such a manner that they cannot be accidentally operated.

4. WARNING: APPLICATION AND USE OF PRODUCTS
The possibility does exist for any device or accessory to fail to operate properly through misuse, wear or malfunction. The user must consider these possibilities and should provide appropriate safe guards in the application or system design to prevent personal injury or property damage in the event of a malfunction.

5. WARNING: CONVERSION, MAINTENANCE AND REPAIR
When a device is disassembled for conversion to a different configuration, maintenance or repair, the device must be tested for leakage and proper operation after being reassembled and prior to installation.

MAINTENANCE AND REPAIR! Maintenance periods should be scheduled in accordance with frequency of use and working conditions. All AVENTICS products should provide a minimum of 1,000,000 cycles of maintenance free service when used and lubricated as recommended. However, these products should be visually inspected for defects and given an "in system" operating performance and leakage test once a year. Where devices require a major repair as a result of the one million cycles, one year, or routine inspection, the device must be disassembled, cleaned, inspected, parts replaced as required, rebuilt and tested for leakage and proper operation prior to installation. See individual catalogs for specific cycle life estimates.

6. PRODUCT CHANGES
Product changes including specifications, features, designs and availability are subject to change at any time without notice. For critical dimensions or specifications, contact factory.

*Many AVENTICS pneumatic valves and cylinders can operate with or without air line lubrication; see individual sales catalogs for details.

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All repairs and replacement parts provided under this Warranty policy will assume the identity, for warranty purposes, of the part replaced, and the warranty on such replacement parts will expire when the warranty on the original part would have expired. Claims must be submitted within thirty days of the failure or be subject to rejection.

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