Installation, Operating & Maintenance Instructions



Large HV / UHV gate valve with double acting pneumatic actuator

Series 191 / 192 DN 400-800 mm (I. D. 16"-32")

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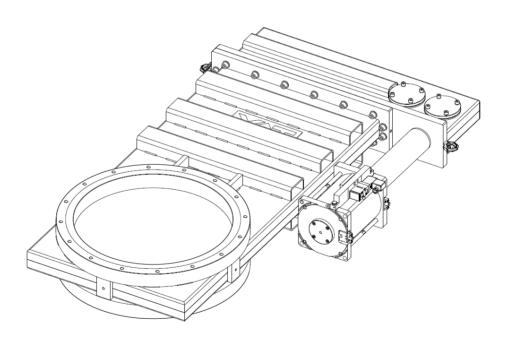
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1 Description of product

1.1 Identification of product

The fabrication number and order number are fixed on the product directly or by means of an identification plate.



1.2 Use of product

Use product for clean and dry vacuum applications only. Other applications are only allowed with the written permission of VAT.

1.3 Related documents

- Product data sheet
- · Dimensional drawing

1.4 Important information



This symbol points to a very important statement that requires particular attention.

Example:



VAT disclaims any liability for damages resulting from inappropriate packaging.

1.5 Technical data

See product data sheet and dimensional drawing.



2 Safety

2.1 Compulsory reading material

Read this chapter prior to performing any work with or on the product. It contains important information that is significant for your own personal safety. This chapter must have been read and understood by all persons who perform any kind of work with or on the product during any stage of its serviceable life.

SAFETY



NOTICE

Lack of knowledge

Failing to read this manual may result in property damage.

Firstly, read manual.



These Installation, Operating & Maintenance Instructions are an integral part of a comprehensive documentation belonging to a complete technical system. They must be stored together with the other documentation and accessible for anybody who is authorized to work with the system at any time.

2.2 Danger levels



A DANGER

High risk

Indicates a hazardous situation which, if not avoided, will result in death or serious injury.



WARNING

Medium risk

Indicates a hazardous situation which, if not avoided, could result in death or serious injury.



A CAUTION

Low risk

Indicates a hazardous situation which, if not avoided, may result in minor or moderate injury.



NOTICE

Command

Indicates a hazardous situation which, if not avoided, may result in property damage.



2.3 Personnel qualifications



WARNING

Unqualified personnel

Inappropriate handling may cause serious injury or property damage. Only qualified personnel are allowed to carry out the described work.

2.4 Safety labels

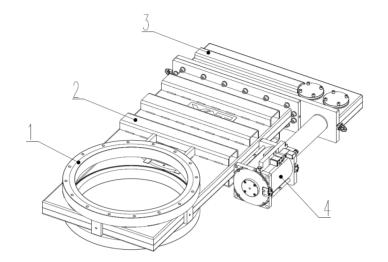
Label	Part No. Location on valve	
	T-9001-156	Protective cover

Table 2-1



3 Design and Function

3.1 Design



- 1 Sealing surface
- 2 Valve body
- 3 Body cover
- 4 Actuator

Figure 3-1

3.2 Function

The valve features the VATLOCK sealing technology. This means, the valve is mechanically locked in the closed position. In the open position, the mechanism is not locked. Leaf springs hold gate and counter plate against the carriage with the ball retainers. The ball pairs are in the detents. For closing, the mechanism is moved forward into the closing position. The locking starts after the leaf spring stop touches the body. The ball retainers move the ball pairs out of the detents. Gate and counter plate are spread apart. The gate seal is pressed against the sealing surface without scuffing. The arrangement of the ball pairs ensures an increase of the sealing force with vacuum on either side of the gate. During opening the movements proceed in the reverse order; see «Figure 3-2».

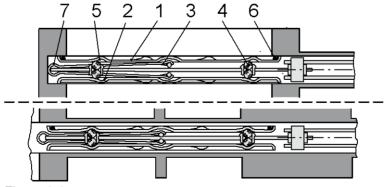


Figure 3-2

- Valve gate
- 2 Counter-plate
- 3 Leaf springs
- 4 Ball pairs
- 5 Ball detents
- 6 Gate seal
- 7 Spring stop



4 Installation



WARNING

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WARNING

Heavy weight

Physical overstraining.

Use a crane to lift the product.

4.1 Unpacking



- Make sure that the supplied products are in accordance with your order.
- Inspect the quality of the supplied products visually. If it does not meet your requirements, please contact VAT immediately.
- Store the original packaging material. It may be useful if products must be returned to VAT.



The valve can be lifted only at the five eyebolt threads; see «Figure 4-1» below.

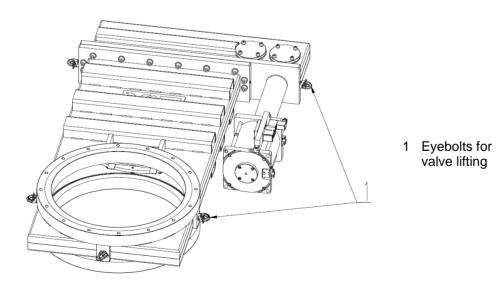


Figure 4-1



4.2 Installation into the system

WARNING



Movable parts

Human body parts may get jammed and severely injured.

Do not connect or supply electrical power and compressed air before the product is completely mounted in the system.



NOTICE

Contamination

Product may get contaminated.

Always wear cleanroom gloves when handling the product.



NOTICE

Inappropriate tools

Sealing surfaces may get damaged.

Do not use sharp-edged tools.



NOTICE

Wrong tightening torque

Valve body and screws may get damaged.

Use tightening torque according the size of the screws.



NOTICE

Too long screws

Valve body may get deformed and / or malfunctions may occur.

Use only screws recommended by VAT.

- Remove protective covers from body flanges.
- 2. Clean sealing surfaces and seals of both flanges; see (1) and (2) according to «Figure 4-2» on page 10.



The valve seat side is marked with the symbol «∇» on flange «A».

- 3. Lift the valve to the mounting position, use only the five eyebolts; see «Figure 4-1» on page 8.
- 4. Mount the four screws (3) according to «Figure 4-2» on page 10, evenly in crosswise order until the seal touches the sealing surface.



5. Tighten all screws with the torques appropriate for their property classes.

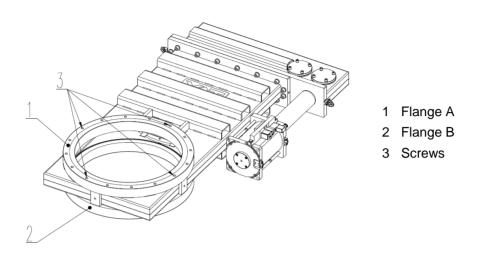


Figure 4-2

4.2.1 Admissible forces and bending moments



Forces from evacuating the system, from the weight of other components or from baking can lead to deformation of the valve body and to malfunction of the valve. The stress has to be relieved by suitable means; see «Table 4-1» below.

The following forces or bending moments are admissible:

DN (nom. I.D.)		Axial tensile or compressive force «FA»		Bending moment «M»		
mm	inch	N	lbf	Nm	lbf · ft	
400	16	7840	1760	980	725	
500	20	8820	1980	1078	800	
630	25	9800	2200	1176	870	
800	32	9800	2200	1274	940	
						FA ← M
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Table 4-1



4.3 Compressed air connection

WARNING



Valve in open position

Risk of injury when compressed air is connected to the valve.

Connect compressed air only when:

- valve is installed in the vacuum system
- moving parts cannot be touched



Use clean, dry or slightly oiled air only.



Admissible air pressure range, see product data sheet.

Connect compressed air according to the product data sheet and dimensional drawing.

4.4 Electrical connection



A DANGER

Electric shock

Parts being under voltage will result in serious injury or death.

Do not touch parts being under voltage.



NOTICE

Wrong voltage

Electrical components may get damaged.

Supply electrical components with the correct voltage.

- 1. Connect solenoid valve according to the product data sheet and dimensional drawing.
- Connect position indicator according to the product data sheet and dimensional drawing.



5 Operation



WARNING

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A WARNING

Movable parts

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Do not operate before product is installed completely into the vacuum system.

5.1 Normal operation

Valve is opened and closed pneumatically.

5.2 Operation under increased temperature

Maximum allowed temperature, see product data sheet.

5.3 Behavior in case of compressed air pressure drop

See product data sheet.

5.4 Behavior in case of power failure

See product data sheet.

5.4.1 Manual emergency operation



WARNING

Movable parts

Human body parts may get jammed and severely injured.

Keep human body parts away from movable parts.



Standard solenoid valve

To close the valve: Turn the slotted screw (1) counter-clockwise to its stop.

To open the valve: Turn the slotted screw (1) clockwise to its stop.

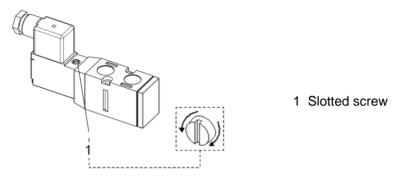


Figure 5-1



For remote operation make sure that the slotted screw is turned counter-clockwise to its stop.

Impulse solenoid valve

To close the valve: Turn the slotted screw (3) – coil CLOSE – clockwise to its stop.

As soon as valve is closed, turn screw back to its original position.

To open the valve: Turn the slotted screw (2) – coil OPEN – clockwise to its stop.

As soon as valve is open, turn screw back to its original position.

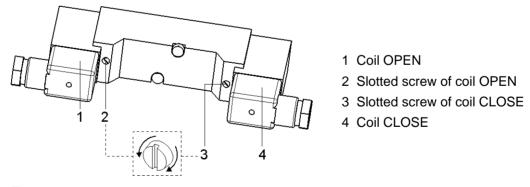


Figure 5-2



For remote operation make sure that both slotted screws are turned counterclockwise to their stop (original position).



5.5 Trouble shooting

Failure	Check	Action	See	
Valve does not close / open	Air pressure	Connect compressed air	«4.3 Compressed air connection»	
	Operating pressure	Adjust operating pressure	Product data sheet	
	Voltage at solenoid valve	Connect voltage	«4.4 Electrical connection»	
Leak at gate	Gate seal all right?	Replace valve gate	«6.3 Replacement of valve gate / mechanism unit»	
	Gate damaged or contaminated?	Replace valve gate	«6.3 Replacement of valve gate / mechanism unit»	
	Operating pressure	Adjust operating pressure	Product data sheet	
Leak at body	Bonnet seal and sealing surface all right?	Clean sealing surface, if necessary, replace bonnet seal	«6.3 Replacement of valve gate / mechanism unit»	
	Bellows all right?	Contact VAT	www.vatvalve.com	

Table 5-1

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6 Maintenance



WARNING

Unqualified personnel

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Only qualified personnel are allowed to carry out the described work.



WARNING

Heavy weight

Physical overstraining.

Use a crane to lift the valve insert.

WARNING



Hazardous components

Human body parts may get jammed and severely injured.

Before starting maintenance:

- disconnect compressed air supply
- disconnect electrical power supply



WARNING

Movable parts

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Keep human body parts away from movable parts.

6.1 Maintenance intervals

Under clean operating conditions the valve does not require any maintenance during 10 000 to 20 000 cycles depend on the valve size; see product data sheet. After these cycles, VAT recommends replacing the mechanism unit; see chapter «6.3 Replacement of valve gate / mechanism unit».

For more information or a general overhaul please contact one of our service centers. You will find the addresses on our website www.vatvalve.com.

6.2 Required tools

- Torque wrench
- Cleanroom wiper soaked with alcohol (2% methyl ethyl ketone)



6.3 Replacement of valve gate / mechanism unit



WARNING

Loaded spring steel sheet

Human body parts may get jammed and severely injured.

Do not put human body parts between valve gate and spring steel sheet.



NOTICE

Contamination

Product may get contaminated.

Always wear cleanroom gloves when handling the product.



NOTICE

Inappropriate tools

Sealing surfaces may get damaged.

Do not use sharp-edged tools.

- 1. Vent chambers on either side to atmospheric pressure.
- 2. Open the valve.
- 3. Disconnect compressed air supply.
- Disconnect electrical power supply.
- 5. Remove the screws (3, 4) from the body cover (8) in crosswise order; see «Figure 6-1» on page 17.
- 6. Lift actuator / mechanism unit carefully from body without touching the body wall.



Do not touch the actuator with the lifting ropes, if you lift the actuator + mechanism out of the valve body!

- 7. If the mechanism unit is out of the valve body you have the opportunity to clean the mechanism unit with alcohol.
- 8. If the plate seal at the mechanism unit and the bonnet seal (6) are not damaged you should clean them with cleanroom wiper.

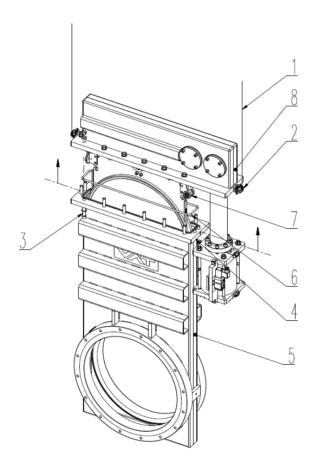


Do not clean the Sealing with alcohol, because alcohol may damage the surface of the Sealing, by O-ring sealing, we recommend to treat it with a small amount of vacuum grease.

9. Lift the actuator / mechanism unit back into the valve body.



- 10. Tighten the screws (3, 4) from the body cover (8) according the sealing technology with the correct tightening torque.
- 11. Connect electrical power supply.
- 12. Connect compressed air supply.
- 13. Close the valve.



- 1 Lifting ropes
- 2 Eyebolts
- 3 Body cover screws
- 4 Valve body screws

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- 5 Valve body
- 6 Bonnet seal
- 7 Bearings
- 8 Body cover

Figure 6-1

Valve is ready for use.



7 Repairs

Repairs may only be carried out by the VAT service staff. In exceptional cases, the customer is allowed to carry out the repairs, but only with the prior consent of VAT.

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8 Dismounting and Storage



WARNING

Unqualified personnel

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Only qualified personnel are allowed to carry out the described work.



WARNING

Heavy weight

Physical overstraining.

Use a crane to lift the product.

WARNING



Hazardous components

Human body parts may get jammed and severely injured.

Before dismounting the product

- disconnect compressed air supply
- disconnect electrical power supply



WARNING

Movable parts

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Keep human body parts away from movable parts.



NOTICE

Contamination

Product may get contaminated.

Always wear cleanroom gloves when handling the product.



8.1 Dismounting



NOTICE

Valve in open position

Valve mechanism may get damaged if valve is in open position.

Close valve before dismounting the valve from the system.

- 1. Close valve.
- 2. Carry out the steps according to chapter «4 Installation» in reverse order. Pay attention to the safety instructions!

8.2 Storage



NOTICE

Wrong storage

Inappropriate temperatures and humidity may cause damage to the product.

Valve must be stored at:

- relative humidity between 10% and 70%
- temperature between +10 °C and +50 °C
- non-condensing environment



NOTICE

Inappropriate packaging

Product may get damaged if inappropriate packaging material is used. Always use the original packaging material and handle product with care.

- 1. Clean / decontaminate valve.
- 2. Cover all valve openings with a protective foil.
- 3. Pack valve appropriately, by using the original packaging material.



9 Packaging and Transport



WARNING

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WARNING

Heavy weight

Physical overstraining.

Use a crane to lift the product.





Harmful substances

Risk of injury in case of contact with harmful substances.

Remove harmful substances (e. g. toxic, caustic or microbiological ones) from valve before you return the valve to VAT.



NOTICE

Inappropriate packaging

Product may get damaged if inappropriate packaging material is used.

Always use the original packaging material and handle product with care.



- When returning products to VAT, please fill out the VAT form «Declaration of Chemical Contamination» and send it to VAT in advance. The form can be downloaded from our website www.vatvalve.com.
- If products are radioactively contaminated, the VAT form «Contamination and Radiation Report» must be filled out. Please contact VAT in advance.
- If products are sent to VAT in contaminated condition, VAT will carry out the decontamination procedure at the customer's expense.



9.1 Packaging



NOTICE

Valve in open position

Valve mechanism may get damaged if valve is in open position. Make sure that the valve is closed.

- 1. Cover all valve openings with a protective foil.
- 2. Pack valve appropriately, by using the original packaging material.



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9.2 Transport



NOTICE

Inappropriate packaging

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10 Disposal



M WARNING

Harmful substances

Environmental pollution.

Discard products and parts according to the local regulations.



11 Spare parts



NOTICE

Non-original spare parts

Non-original spare parts may cause damage to the product. Use original spare parts from VAT only.



- Please specify the fabrication number of the product when you place an order for spare parts; see chapter «1.1 Identification of product». This is to ensure that the appropriate spare parts are supplied.
- VAT makes a difference between spare parts that may be replaced by the customer and those that need to be replaced by the VAT service staff.
- «Table 11-1» only contains spare parts that may be replaced by the customer. If you need any other spare parts, please contact one of our service centers. You will find the addresses on our website www.vatvalve.com.

Description	Part No.	Quantity per valve	Maintenance procedure see chapter
Seal kit	on request	1	«6.3 Replacement of valve gate / mechanism unit»
Gate O-ring	on request	1	«6.3 Replacement of valve gate / mechanism unit»
Bonnet flange O-ring	on request	1	«6.3 Replacement of valve gate / mechanism unit»

Table 11-1