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Preface

Hazard and Safety Information

This manual uses the following standard safety protocols:



This product must only be operated and maintained by trained personnel.

Before operating or servicing equipment, read and thoroughly understand all operation/ maintenance manuals provided by Vacuum Technologies. Be aware of the hazards associated with this equipment, know how to recognize potentially hazardous conditions, and how to avoid them. Read carefully and strictly observe all cautions and warnings. The consequences of unskilled, improper, or careless operation of the equipment can be serious.

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Introduction

The new GVA Aluminum Gate Valve is an economical, reliable vacuum shut-off device that provides a low-particle, low profile means of isolating a vacuum pump.

This valve employs a cast aluminum body, a linear drive mechanism, a counter-plate sealing mechanism that minimizes metal-on-metal contact, and an elastomer shaft seal. The result is a clean, economical, smoothly actuated valve. The body is cast using the VaPore[®] process that tightly controls material as it is input at each process step. This method eliminates valve porosity so that very few particles are generated within the valve. A reliable high vacuum shaft seal eliminates the need for a bellows or adjustment screws.

The aluminum gate valve has a small flange face-to-face profile. ISO/F flange details are machined into the cast body to provide the convenience of standard ISO connections.

Specifications

Valve Size	100 mm	160 mm	200 mm	250 mm	4" ASA	6" ASA
Conductance @ Molecular Flow in I/s	2,000 7,000		15,000	26,000	7,000	15,000
Flanges (ISO/F Bolted Tapped)	NW100	NW160	NW200	NW250	ASA type	ASA type
Weight in lbs (kg)	10 (4.5)	16 (7)	40 (18)	48 (22)	16 (7)	40 (18)
Pneumatic Operation in psi	55 to 120 Actuation: Compressed air Normally closed; Valve closes on power loss					
Vacuum Range	Atmosphe	ere to belo	w 1x10 ⁻⁷ r	nbar		
Maximum Differential Pressure on Gate in Either Direction (bar)	1.6	1.6	1.6	1.2	1.6	1.6
Maximum Differential Pressure at Opening (mbar)	30					
Sealing Mechanism Type	Linear drive with seal plate and backing plate					
Feedthrough Type	Viton shaft seal					
Leak Rates	Valve Bo	dy: < 1x10	⁻⁹ std cc/se	ec helium		
	Main Sea	ıl: < 1x10 ⁻⁹	std cc/seo	c helium		
Seal Material	Gate: Vite	on, molded	l; Viton, O-	ring		
	Bonnet: \	/iton				
Open/Close Time	<2 secon	ds				
Mounting Position	Any					
Bakeable to:	Valve Body: 150 °C (302 °F)					
	Pneumatic actuator and solenoid: 80 °C (176 °F)					
Position Indication	Remote position indication switches (contact closures) for open and closed position are standard			es) for		

Table 1 Physical and Operational Specifications

Installation

Unpacking

Unpack the valve from the shipping container and inspect it for obvious damage. Retain the shipping container for evidence and call the carrier. If practical, inspect the valve without removing it from its plastic bag. Protect the valve before and during installation. Make sure that machined surfaces, gasket grooves, and valve interior surfaces remain clean and that no foreign matter enters the valve.

If not required for immediate installation, repack the valve carefully and store it until needed. Store the valve in an environment that prevents condensation in the valve.

Mounting Orientation

The valve can be operated in any orientation. A triangle cast into the valve body denotes the seal plate side (Figure 1). The seal plate side of the valve must face the vacuum chamber. Do not open the valve when there is high pressure on either side and vacuum on the opposite side.



Do not open the valve with more than 30 mbar of differential pressure across the valve.

Mechanical Connections

Apply a high temperature lubricant such as Fel-Pro C-100 on the connecting bolt threads to prevent galling.

Air and Electrical Connections

The valves are set up at the factory to operate with compressed air. The air inlet to the solenoid valve is 1/8–27 FNPT. The solenoid is optional at purchase and is actuated by a source that can be ordered using the following available specifications:

- □ 120/110 VAC or 240/220 VAC
- □ 60/50 Hz
- □ 24 VDC operation

WARNING The valve closes on loss of power to the solenoid valve.



The valve maintains its current position on loss of compressed air.

Wiring Instructions - Position Indicators

- 1. Locate the position indicators mounted on each end of the air cylinder (Figure 1 on page 5).
- 2. Remove the screws from the position indicator covers, remove the covers, and turn them over.

The switches, which are installed in the covers, are now visible.

Switches are activated by means of a conical shaft, ball bearing and switch arm. As the valve moves from the fully open to the fully closed position, and vice versa, the small conical shaft is extended, moving the bearing against the switch arm.

- 3. Solder the leads to the common and NC or NO contacts as desired (Figure 2 on page 5):
 - □ Normally Open (NO)
 - □ Normally Closed (NC)

For example, if contact closure is desired when the valve is in the *fully closed* or *fully open* position, wire both switches through the *normally open* contact. This causes a closure when the valve moves into either extreme position and activates the switch.

4. Return the cover and switch assemblies to their original positions, and screw them in place.



Figure 1 Pneumatic Valve Outline Drawing



Figure 2 Wiring Connections

Operation

Manually Operated Valve

The manual valve operates via lever action:

1. Slide the locking plate to unlock the lever.

Keep fingers out of the hinged mechanism.

2. Pull the handle until the shaft is fully extended; hinged plates open to 180°.

Pneumatically Operated Valve

WARNING



Keep fingers and hands out of the gate opening at all times when the air supply lines are connected to the valve. The valve could unexpectedly close, resulting in serious injury to the operator.

The pneumatically-actuated valves (Figure 1 on page 5) are air-opened, and air-closed. When electrical power is applied to the solenoid (optional), air is supplied to the pneumatic cylinder and the valve opens. When the electrical power is removed, air is supplied to the opposite side of the pneumatic cylinder and the valve closes. If the valve is already closed, it remains closed if there is a loss of power to the valve and the air supply is removed.

WARNING



The valve closes on loss of power to the solenoid valve. Keep all body parts clear of the gate opening at all times when the air supply lines are connected to the valve.

Service

Servicing the valve is comprised of the following major tasks:

- □ "Removing the Valve for Service"
- □ "Removing the Bonnet Assembly" on page 8
- □ "Cleaning" on page 8
- □ "Assembly" on page 9

Refer to Figure 1 on page 5 while performing valve service.

Removing the Valve for Service

The valve can be serviced without removing the body from the system, however, the valve must not be under a vacuum. The valve main seal, on valves with bonded plates, are not replaceable.



The pneumatic valve must be in the open position to safely disassemble it. Since the valve closes on power loss, air pressure must be disconnected before disconnecting power.

To perform this procedure:

- 1. Disconnect the air pressure.
- 2. Disconnect the power.
- 3. Retract the valve mechanism to the open position.

Removing the Bonnet Assembly

To remove the bonnet assembly:

- 1. Remove the eight bolts from the rectangular bonnet flange.
- 2. Extract the bonnet assembly from the body.

Be careful not to scuff the main seal while withdrawing the mechanism.

Disassembling the Seal Plate and Cage Assembly

To disassemble the seal plate and cage assembly:

- 1. With the seal facing down, lay the assembly on a table.
- 2. Remove the two screws on the backplate and slowly lift the backplate off.

The ball rollers may stick to the plate; be careful not to lose them.

3. Remove the remaining ball rollers.

There are two ball rollers per guide bushing.

- 4. Lift the air cylinder and cage off the seal plate.
- 5. Remove the nut at the end of the cylinder shaft and the socket head screw on the front of the air cylinder end cap cover.



Smaller valves may require the removal of guide brackets from the cage so that the cage can be unscrewed from the shaft.

- 6. Slide the air cylinder out of the bonnet flange.
- 7. Remove the O-ring retaining bushing.
- 8. Inspect and replace the O-rings, if required.
- 9. Slide the cage off the guide rails.
- 10. Inspect and replace the bearing, if required.

Cleaning

Clean the valve components with alcohol.

Assembly

These instructions are for both the bonded seal and O-ring seal configurations.



This procedure requires two people (step 20).

Use Dupont Krytox GPL 207 lubricant on ball rollers and O-rings. Do not lubricate the main seal.

To assemble the valve:

- 1. With the air cylinder resting on the end cap, pull the piston shaft out to full length.
- 2. Liberally lubricate the shaft down to the adapter flange.
- 3. Slide the O-ring retaining bushing into the bonnet flange assembly.
- 4. Apply another layer of lubricant to the piston shaft.
- 5. Push and pull the shaft in and out of the air cylinder several times, then wipe off the excess lubricant.
- 6. Inspect the bonnet flange with the guide rails and lubricate and install the O-rings.
- Slide the bonnet flange over the shaft and onto the O-ring retaining bushing.
 Be careful not to damage the outer O-ring.
- 8. Lubricate the bearings.
- 9. Before installing the bearings into the guide brackets, inspect both the cage and guide brackets.
- 10. Slide the guide brackets onto the guide rails, reconnect the cage to the end of the air cylinder shaft, and tighten the nut.
- 11. Reconnect the guide bracket with the appropriate screw.
- 12. Inspect the seal plate and place it, depending on the configuration, seal side or O-ring groove down.

Use something to raise the seal plate off the table up to the level of the cage.

13. Place the cage and air cylinder assembly on top of the seal plate and align the bushing with the corresponding groove in the seal plate.

- 14. Inspect the ball rollers, apply a light film of lubricant, and place them into the bushing (2 ball rollers per bushing).
- 15. Place the backplate over the cage, aligning the corresponding grooves to the ball rollers.
- 16. Install the two nuts to fasten the backplate to the spring assembly.
- 17. Actuate the assembly by hand to ensure that no binding occurs.
- 18. Remove any excess lubricant from the guide shafts.
- 19. Apply a light film of lubricant to the main seal.



The installation of the O-ring is completed after the seal plate and backplate are assembled.

- 20. Lightly lubricate the O-ring and carefully insert it into the dovetail groove. Avoid rolling the O-ring.
- 21. Look at the O-ring at 10x power to ensure there are no nicks or scratches present.
- 22. Inspect the valve body casting and remove any scratches from the seal surfaces.
- 23. Using two people, place the bonnet assembly on the air cylinder end cap facing out.

Orient the triangle mark of the valve casting body outward and slowly lower it over the seal plate assembly. Do not scuff the main seal O-ring.

24. Fasten the bonnet flange to the valve body cast using the required bolts.

Ordering Information

In Table 2, xxx in the part number refers to the solenoid actuation voltage:

- □ 115 = 115 VAC
- □ 220 = 220 VAC
- □ 024 = 24 VDC

Valve Size	Manually Operated Gate Valve	Pneumatically Operated Gate Valve	Pneumatically Operated Gate Valve with Solenoid	Spare Seals Kit (Includes gate, stem shaft, and bonnet seals)	
		ISO Flanged Version	ons		
100 mm (4")	VGA100IM	VGA100IEP	VGA100IExxxP	VGA100SEALS	
160 mm (6")	VGA160IM	VGA160IEP	VGA160IExxxP	VGA160SEALS	
200 mm (8")	-	VGA200IEP	VGA200IExxxP	VGA200SEALS	
250 mm (10")	-	VGA250IEP	VGA250IExxxP	VGA250SEALS	
ASA Flanged Versions					
4" ASA	VGA4AM	VGA4AEP	VGA4AEExxxP	VGA160SEALS	
6" ASA	VGA6AM	VGA6AEP	VGA6AEExxxP	VGA200SEALS	
	Insertable Versions				
100 mm (4")	VGA100NM	VGA100NEP	VGA100NExxxP	VGA100SEALS	
		Accessories			
Position Indicator Ass	sembly	VGAPOSIND			
Solenoid Valve, 115 V	VAC	626771210			
Solenoid Valve, 220 V	VAC	626771211			
Solenoid Valve, 24 V	DC	626771212			
		Interface Seals			
Valve Size	Parker #	NOTE Inte	erface seals are not ind	cluded with the	
4" ASA	2–258	val	ve or seals kit.		
6" ASA	2–265				
100 mm insertable	2–248				

Table 2 Parts and Accessories

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VARIAN Request for Return Health and Safety Certification



- 1. Return authorization numbers (RA#) will not be issued for any product until this Certificate is completed and returned to a Varian, Inc. Customer Service Representative.
- 2. Pack goods appropriately and drain all oil from rotary vane and diffusion pumps (for exchanges please use the packing material from the replacement unit), making sure shipment documentation and package label clearly shows assigned Return Authorization Number (RA#) VVT cannot accept any return without such reference.
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CUSTOMER INFORMATION Company name: Contact person: Name: Fax: E-mail: Ship method: Shipping Collect #: Europe only: VAT Reg Number: USA only: Customer ship to: Customer bill to:

PRODUCT IDENTIFICATION

Product Description	Varian, Inc. Part Number	Varian, Inc. Serial Number

TYPE OF RETURN (check appropriate box)

Paid Exchange	Paid Repair	Warranty Exchange	Warranty Repair	Loaner Return
Credit	Shipping Error	Evaluation Return	Calibration	Other

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VARIANRequest for ReturnHealth and Safety Certification



FAILURE REPORT

(Please describe in detail the nature of the malfunction to assist us in performing failure analysis):

TURBO PUMPS AND TURBOCONTROLLERS

Claimed Defect		Position	Parameters	
Does not start	Noise	Vertical	Power:	Rotational Speed:
Does not spin freely	Vibrations	Horizontal	Current:	Inlet Pressure:
Does not reach full speed	🗖 Leak	🗖 Upside-down	Temp 1:	Foreline Pressure:
Mechanical Contact	Overtemperature	Other	Temp 2:	Purge flow:
Cooling defective	Clogging	•••••	Operation Time:	
Describe Failure:				
Turbocontroller Error Message				

ION PUMPS/CONTROLLERS

Bad feedthrough	Poor vacuum
🗇 Vacuum leak	High voltage problem
Error code on display	🗖 Other
Describe failure:	
Customer application:	

VALVES/COMPONENTS

Main seal leak	Bellows leak
Solenoid failure	Damaged flange
Damaged sealing area	🗖 Other
Describe failure:	
Customer application:	

LEAK DETECTORS

Cannot calibrate	No zero/high background
Vacuum system unstable	Cannot reach test mode
Failed to start	🗖 Other
Describe failure:	
Customer application:	

INSTRUMENTS

Gauge tube not working	Display problem
Communication failure	Degas not working
Error code on display	🗖 Other
Describe failure:	
Customer application:	

ALL OTHER VARIAN, INC.

Pump doesn't start	Noisy pump (describe)
Doesn't reach vacuum	Overtemperature
Pump seized	🗖 Other
Describe failure:	
Customer application:	

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