

USE AND MAINTENANCE MANUAL

DA-250 DIAPHRAGM METERING VALVE



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1 GENERAL INFORMATION

This manual contains information regarding the installation, use, maintenance and end of life of the component and provides indications for the most suitable behavior for correct operation. This manual has been designed to be simple and as straightforward as possible, with a subdivision into chapters and sub-chapters that allows you to find any information you need quickly. In addition, the manual begins by giving a general description of the contents, then an overview of the component, to arrive at aspects of safety, transport, installation and use and finally to the end of life. If you have any doubts about the interpretation or reading of this document, please contact the manufacturer.



DAV Tech declines any responsibility relating to improper use of the component. Observe the specifications in this manual.



Read this manual before handling the component or performing any action on it.



The manual is an essential safety requirement and must accompany the component throughout its life cycle.

It is the task of the end user to optimize the functionality of the component, always considering the purpose for which it was built.



You are asked to keep this manual, together with the attached documentation, in good condition, legible and complete. In addition, it must be stored in the vicinity of the component or, in any case, in a place accessible and known to all personnel who use the component itself or who must perform maintenance or inspection interventions. If the manual deteriorates or is no longer complete, a copy must be requested from the manufacturer, indicating the code of the manual and the revision.



The manual is intended for personnel who use the component (operators), who perform maintenance on it (maintenance technicians), and for personnel who must perform checks or inspections. The manufacturer is not liable for damage to the component caused by personnel who have not followed the instructions in the manual.

If you have any doubts about the correct interpretation of the information contained in this manual, please contact the manufacturer.

GUARANTEE

During the design phase, a careful choice of materials and components to be used in the project was made and they were subjected to regular testing before delivery. All elements have been designed and manufactured with an adequate degree of safety, such as to be able to withstand stresses greater than those of normal use.

The warranty is valid for a period of 12 months from the date of commissioning and in any case no longer than 15 months from the date of delivery. Work carried out during the warranty period does not extend the warranty period in any way.

The manufacturer is not liable for defects due to normal wear and tear of parts which, by their nature, decay.

1.1 Symbology

Below are the symbols that are used to give a greater impact to the importance of the concept you want to give.



ATTENTION!

Refers to a warning that could lead to minor damage (minor injuries, damage to the component requiring maintenance work).



DANGER!

It refers to a major event that could cause major damage (death, permanent injury, irreversible breakage of the component).



NOTE. Indicate relevant information or insight.



OBLIGATION. It indicates a task that must be performed, related to both the component and the manual.



REFERENCE. Links to an external document that is important to view

In addition, the list of symbols is integrated with that of the personnel responsible for using the component and its function, together with other symbols used within the manual.



Operator

A (qualified) person capable of operating the component, adjusting, cleaning, starting or resetting the component. The operator is not authorized to perform maintenance.



Mechanical maintenance technician

Qualified technician able to carry out mechanical, adjustment, maintenance and routine repair work described in this manual. He is not authorized to carry out interventions on electrical systems in the presence of voltage.



Electrical maintenance technician

Qualified technician able to carry out electrical, adjustment, maintenance and routine repair work described in this manual. It is able to work in the presence of voltage on electrical cabinets and junction boxes. He is not authorized to carry out interventions on the mechanical side.



Manufacturer's technician

Qualified technician made available by the manufacturer to carry out operations of a complex nature in particular situations, or in any case as agreed with the customer.

1.2 Reference standards

The reference standards and directives of this manual are the following:

Directives

- 2006/42/EC – Machinery Directive;

1.3 Declaration of incorporation (Annex II B DIR. 2006/42/EC)

Manufacturer's name: DAV Tech Srl
Address: Via G. Ravizza, 30, .36075, Montecchio Maggiore (VI)

DECLARES THAT THE ALMOST MACHINE

Component: DA 250 Valve
Model: Diaphragm dosing valve
Year: 2024
Intended use: Pressure-time dispensing of aggressive low-viscosity fluids

COMPLIES WITH THE INCORPORATION PROVISIONS OF DIRECTIVE 2006/42/EC

The technical documentation has been drawn up in accordance with Annex VII B, as required by the following:

- Machinery Directive 2006/42/EC of the European Parliament and Council of 17 May 2006

IT ALSO DECLARES THAT:

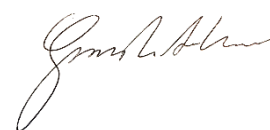
- Undertakings are undertaken to provide, in response to a properly substantiated request from the national authorities, relevant information on this partly completed machine;
- The technical file was prepared by Andrea Grazioli, via Ravizza, 30, Montecchio Maggiore (VI), IT.

This quasi-machine cannot be used until the machinery on which it will be used is declared compliant with regulation 2006/42/EC.

Montecchio Maggiore, 19 January 2024

The legal representative

Andrea Grazioli



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1.4 Glossary

The following are the most used terms within this manual with their meanings.

TERM	DEFINITION
Enable	Term that defines the act of preparing (enabling) an action. The action will be triggered as soon as the criteria are met, which consequently leads to the activation of the enabled action.
Active	The action that is performed instantaneously when the control is activated.
Human controls	This defines those commands that, used for manual operations, must be kept activated for the action to be performed. When the command is released, the action stops.
Two-hand controls	Human-controlled controls require two manual controls to be operated simultaneously to perform an action.
D.P.I.	Personal protective equipment. They include all the items necessary to ensure the protection of personnel from possible accidental damage (safety shoes, gloves, helmet, and more).
Display	It is used to display information. It can be in any shape and size, even touch screen.
Manufacturer	Natural or legal person who designed and manufactured the component covered by this manual.
HP	High Pressure. An acronym that indicates high pressure.
Icon	A small image that represents a command, a function or even a document or an operating program, which appears on a computer screen. When selected by the user, it initiates the function or program it symbolizes.
Joystick	Lever manipulator used in control panels.
N.A.	Not Applicable, i.e. it indicates that it is a field that does not apply to this manual and that it cannot be integrated into the component.
Operator panel	A control station where the machine control instruments are located
P.I.	Possible Implementation, i.e. it is currently absent from the component described in this manual, but it is possible to make an addition and implement it.
Screen	Interface system between man and component. Screenshots are the images displayed on the operator panel that allow the user to receive and provide information to the management software.
Push-button panel	Composition of buttons and selectors that allow you to act directly on the behavior of the component.
Keyboard	Keyboard only (stand-alone element) or in addition to a display (keys only, no selectors or other)
Touch screen	Touch screen that allows the user to interact with a graphic interface using their fingers or objects.

1.5 Service and manufacturer contact details

For any reason relating to the use, maintenance or request of spare parts, the customer must contact the manufacturer (or the service center if present) directly, specifying the identification data of the component.

The customer can make use of the technical and commercial support of local agents or importers, who are in direct contact with the company DAV Tech Srl.

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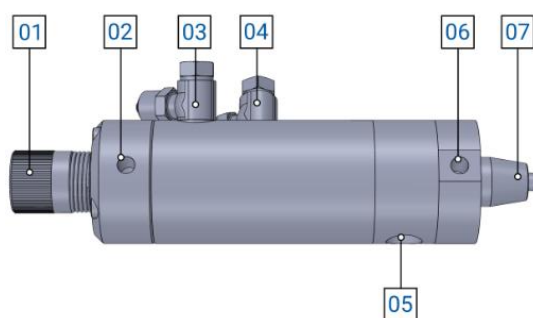
2 PRESENTATION AND OPERATION

This metering valve is a pneumatically operated component designed for metering low-viscosity fluids. Its resting state is normally closed; therefore, without pneumatic power the valve does not dispense fluid due to the presence of a spring that holds the needle in place. When a supply of at least 5 bar arrives from its lower inlet, then the valve begins to release the fluid and, therefore, to dose. This leakage can be modulated both by adjusting the inlet pressure but also by adjusting the opening of the needle, that is on its upper part.

In other words, the function of this component is:

PRESSURE-TIME DISPENSING OF AGGRESSIVE LOW-VISCOSITY FLUIDS

Intended use is the use described in the chapter below, while improper use is considered any other use that is not described in this manual, with products of different material and format from those for which it was built.



No.	DESCRIPTION
01	Adjustment knob
02	Adjustment lock
03	Air inlet closing
04	Air inlet opening
05	Product Input
06	Fixing hole
07	Nozzle holder

Figure 01 – Detail DA 250

Before using a certain type of fluid, it is necessary to check that:

- The viscosity of the fluid is compatible with the characteristics of the valve;
- The characteristics of the fluid meet the desired requirements;
- The technical data sheet of the fluid provided by the manufacturer contains all the information regarding the product such as viscosity, applications, drying times and storage;
- The fluid storage time has not been exceeded;
- The fluid packages are tightly sealed.

If it is necessary to use several fluids with the same valve, it must be cleaned thoroughly to prevent residues from the previous processing from affecting the process to be performed.

OPERATION

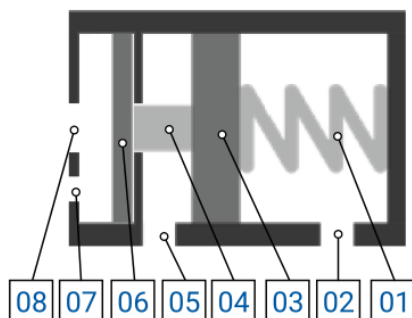


Figure 02 – Explanatory example of the DA 250 internal section

No.	DESCRIPTION
01	Spring
02	Air inlet closing
03	Piston
04	Pin
05	Air inlet opening
06	Membrane
07	Fluid inlet
08	Nozzle engagement / fluid outlet

It can be used in two working modes:

- As a single-acting valve, with spring closure;
- Like a double-acting valve, with opening and closing by air and spring.

Depending on the function you want to use, you must connect one of the following solenoid valves:

- To a 3/2 solenoid valve for single acting;
- To a 5/2 solenoid valve for double acting.

Figure 02 shows the most complete case. For minimum working pressures, please refer to [Chapter 2.2](#).

The valve cannot operate autonomously. To ensure that it dispenses the product, it must be connected to a power source, which can be a tank, a pump or other, depending on the system and the customer's needs.

ATTENTION!



It is recommended that the valve be connected to the sources indicated in this manual in [chapter 2.2](#). Connecting it to other sources or products with features not listed in this manual may break the valve.

The following is intended to explain the operation of the DA 250 valve section. Note that blue indicates the fluid inlet/outlet, yellow the air, when present.

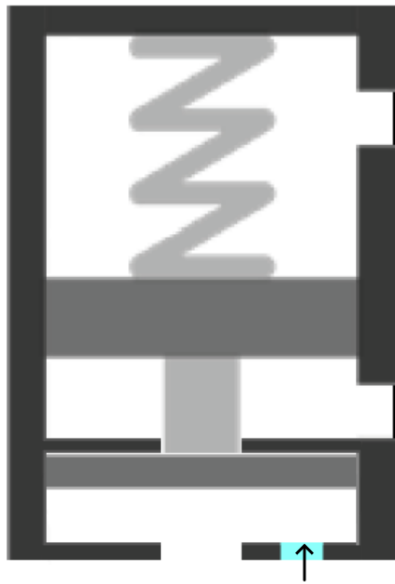


Figure 03 – Single effect resting phase

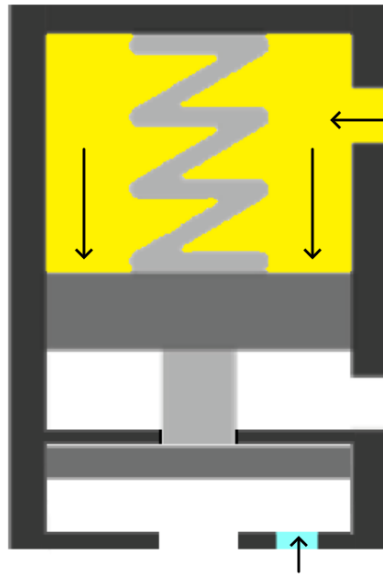


Figure 04 – Double Effect Resting Phase

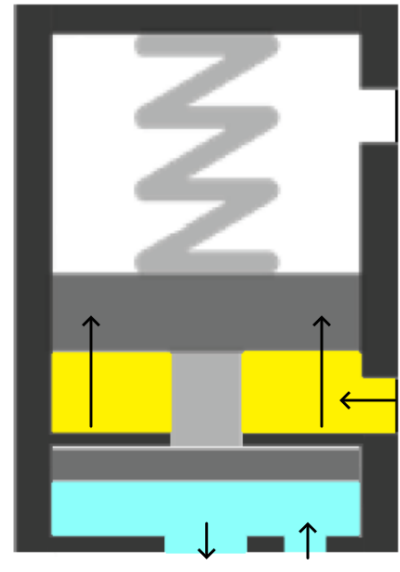


Figure 05 – Single and Double Effect Dosing Phase

The valve can operate in two modes, i.e., single and double-acting.

In the case of a simple effect, what keeps the valve closed is the spring, so the fluidic pressure must be below the pressure generated by the spring to keep the valve closed (Figure 03). The fluid is located at the fluidic inlet, the inlet of which is blocked by the diaphragm, held in place by the needle that is pushed by the spring. When pneumatic pressure is exerted in the opening inlet, the piston rises and, consequently, also the needle and diaphragm, allowing the fluid to pass to the nozzle (Figure 05).

In the case of double acting, the working mode is like that of single acting, except that, in addition to the spring to keep the valve closed, there is a pneumatic pressure from the closing inlet of the valve (Figure 04). This is used if you have to work with fluidic pressures higher than that exerted by the spring.

So, in general, the toggle sequence is as follows:

- The fluid is under pressure in the fluidic inlet and resting on the membrane; in the case of a single effect, with only the spring pushing to close the fluid outlet (Figure 03), in the case of a double effect, with also the pneumatic pressure (Figure 04);
- The PLC controls the solenoid valve (3/2 in the case of single acting, 5/2 in the case of double acting) to perform the dosing;
- In the case of double effect, the solenoid valve changes the inlet, emptying the closing inlet and opening the opening one; while, in the case of a single effect, by opening only the appropriate pneumatic inlet;
- The needle rises, lifting the diaphragm and allowing the fluid to exit (Figure 05);
- When the PLC commands the successful dosing, the starting condition is returned, with the diaphragm closing the fluid inlet inside the valve chamber.

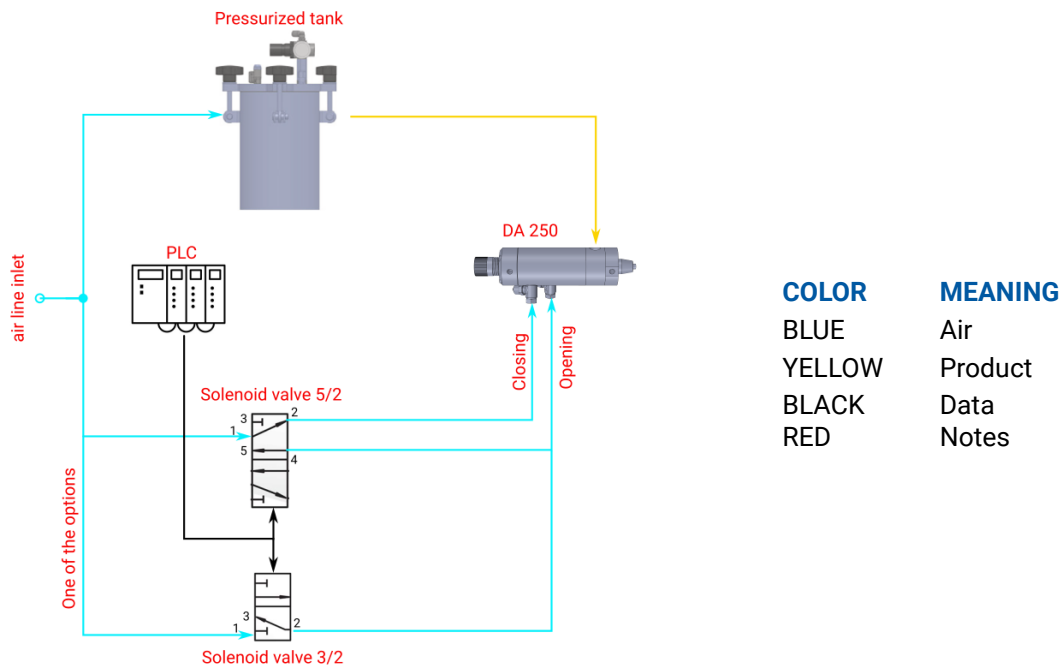


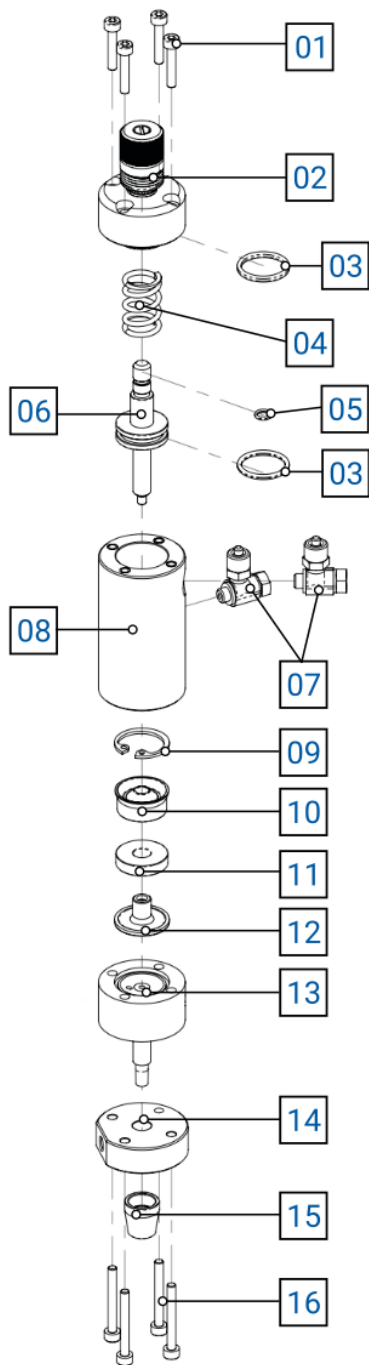
Figure 03 – Connection diagram



It is recommended to place a silencer at inlet 3 and 5 of the solenoid valve

2.1 Exploded

The following is a list of the main valve components with spare part numbers.



No.	Description	Var.	Code
01	SCREW	-	0003.00030161
02	MICROMETRIC ADJUSTMENT ASSEMBLY	-	0003.MCD000450
03	O-RING	-	0003.000015E
04	SPRING	-	0003.CCS000450
05	O-RING	-	0003.040X10E
06	PISTON	-	0003.PST000450
07	90° AIR CONNECTION	-	0003.RRBF0252
08	VALVE BODY	-	0003.BG000450
09	SEEGER	-	0003.501801
10	LIP SEAL	-	0003.25004
11	SPACER	-	0003.WSH000450
12	MEMBRANE	-	0003.DPH000450
13	TEFLON BODY	-	0003.25010
14	FRONT BODY	-	0003.000451
15	LUER LOCK RING	-	0003.25008
16	SCREW	-	0003.00030251
\	GASKET KIT	-	GASKETKIT-DA250

2.2 Technical data

All the technical characteristics concerning the component of this manual are indicated below.

SPECIFICATIONS		
Description	UdM	Values
Model	\	DA 250
Activation	\	Single or Double Acting
Maximum fluid pressure	bar	10
Minimum air pressure	bar	5
Fluid inlet thread	\	1/8" GAS
Fluid outlet thread	\	Luer lock needle holder
Maximum fluid output speed	points/sec	2
Passage adjustment	\	Micrometric
Materials used	\	Anodized aluminum
		PTFE

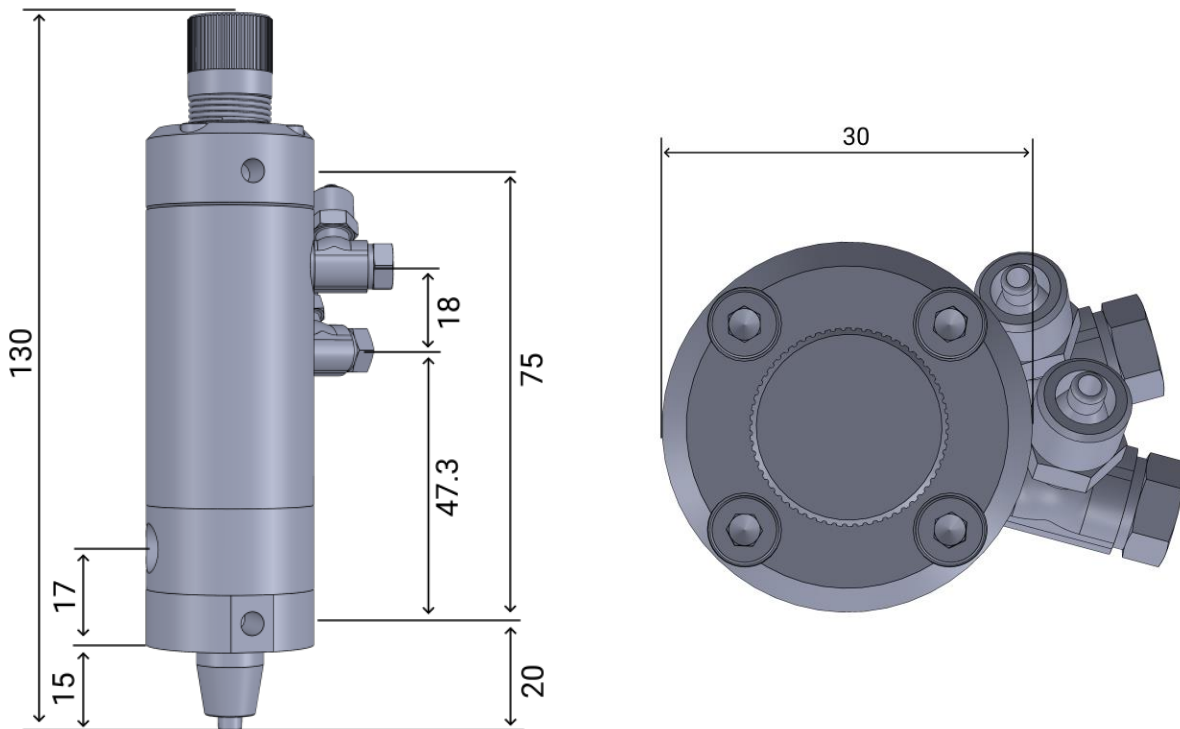
ENVIRONMENTAL CHARACTERISTICS		
Description	UdM	Values
Working Ambient Temperature	°C	5 ÷ 45
Storage Ambient Temperature	°C	-20 ÷ 55
Permissible non-condensing humidity	%	5 ÷ 90

USABLE FLUIDS		
Aggressive low-viscosity fluids		

DIMENSIONAL AND WEIGHT CHARACTERISTICS

Description	UdM	Value
Component length (min ÷ max)	mm	130
Component diameter (min ÷ max)	mm	30
Component weight	kg	0.25

Component



You can request the 3D of the component in the desired version from the manufacturer without any obligation.

3 SAFETY

The following is a list of warnings regarding the component covered by this manual. Please read carefully before proceeding to the next chapters.



DANGER!

Before operating the component or performing any action on it, read this manual carefully.



DANGER!

Do not use the component while under the influence of drugs or other substances that may impair attention and reaction ability.



DANGER!

Operators must only perform operations or interventions that are within the competence of the role and qualification assigned.



FIRE/EXPLOSION HAZARD!

This component is not designed to work in an ATEX environment.



DANGER!

Be very careful when servicing the component, especially when disassembling components that have pressure springs inside.



ATTENTION!

Modifications to the component must not be made to achieve performance other than that for which it was designed and built, unless authorized by the manufacturer.



ATTENTION!

Avoid introducing foreign bodies, even small ones, into the pneumatic system, which could cause the system to malfunction and compromise the safety of the machine.



The component may only be used by trained and authorized operators and for the sole purpose for which it was designed and manufactured.



The component is manufactured in compliance with the technical safety standards in force at the time of its construction.

3.1 Component safety devices

N.A.

3.2 Free useful spaces

N.A.

3.3 Risk areas and residual risk

N.A.

4 TRANSPORT AND HANDLING

Once you have received the goods, you must check that the packaging is intact and that there is an exact correspondence with the material ordered.



ATTENTION!

The original configuration of the component must not be changed. The manufacturer is not liable for damage caused by inappropriate use of the component.



ATTENTION!

If the packaging is not intact, contact the manufacturer immediately, also sending photos of the condition of the packaging. Do not open it until you have notified the manufacturer.

5 INSTALLATION



The installation of the component is carried out by the customer. If necessary, you can contact the manufacturer to have a specialist technician help you.

The valve has been designed to be used in the following cases:

- Work independently as a fluid dispenser on a pressure/time basis;
- Work in tandem with a positive displacement pump to dose the fluid in a volumetric way.

It is also equipped with a hole (number 06, figure 01, [chapter 2](#)) that allows the valve to be locked in place while working. It is also advisable to fix it well to the support, as the vibrations that are caused by the machinery in operation could take the valve off-center, resulting in a dosage that is not optimal.



It is recommended that you perform a component check before beginning the installation. If it is evidently damaged, please contact the manufacturer.



ATTENTION!

Please remove the packaging with the utmost care. If damage is caused to the component, the manufacturer is not liable.



Dispose of the packaging correctly, considering the different nature of the components and following the regulations in force in the country.

5.1 Positioning

N.A.

5.2 Connections







In this chapter, we want to explain the connection method that must be used for the component. The following types of connection are provided:

- Pneumatic connection;

5.2.1 Electric

N.A.

5.2.2 Pneumatic

Authorized personnel	 PPE to wear					
Component status	Component installed					
Power Values	See chapter 2.2					
Necessary preparations	Working pneumatic air system					
Materials needed	Fixing screws (for centering holes)					
Equipment needed	Wrench or screwdriver					



Pneumatic connection is the responsibility of the customer.

Before carrying out the assembly of the valve, it is recommended to carry out the calibration of the same, so as to carry it out precisely and, once carried out, you can proceed with the assembly and possible fixing by screws passing through the relative hole. For connections, it is recommended to first connect the pneumatic hose (or both in the case of double-acting work) and then proceed with the connection of the product hose (using the data reported in [chapter 2.2](#)).

5.3 Commissioning

The commissioning of the component is carried out once the positioning and connection of the connections has been completed. Before commissioning the component, the following checks must be carried out:

- Check that the connections have been connected correctly;
- Check that the component is free of dirt or residues of various kinds;



ATTENTION!

If even one of the above points does not comply, commissioning must not be carried out. Commissioning should only be carried out when all points have been successfully completed.

6 SOFTWARE

N.A.

7 PROCEDURE

In this chapter we want to explain the main configurations that can be used on the component covered by this manual. In particular, we want to explain in detail:

- How to perform needle adjustment by micrometric adjustment;

It should be noted that the output fluid does not depend only on the needle adjustment, but also on other factors, namely:

- **Nozzle diameter:** the larger the nozzle diameter, the higher the flow rate of fluid at the outlet;
- **Fluid pressure:** the higher the fluid pressure, the higher its outlet flow rate;
- **Needle stroke adjustment:** The larger the needle stroke, the higher the flow rate.

7.1 Micrometric adjustment

The needle stroke can be adjusted by acting on the micrometric screw located on the back of the valve body. Each click of the screw corresponds to a movement equal to 0.008mm of the pin stop block. To adjust the screw, you must:

- Turn clockwise to decrease the amount of fluid dispensed;
- Turn counterclockwise to increase the amount of fluid dispensed.



ATTENTION!

The passage must not be reduced too much by forcing the stop lock, otherwise there is a risk of damaging the needle and the diaphragm.

8 MAINTENANCE

Maintenance interventions are all those activities that must be performed on the component which, if carried out correctly, allows it to have a longer life. In general, maintenance is divided into two groups:

- **Ordinary maintenance**, which are interventions on a regular basis or that can be carried out by the customer's staff, are the most important activities as they allow the component to be kept in good working condition;



ATTENTION!

Ordinary maintenance must be carried out in the manner and timing indicated in the following chapters.

- **Extraordinary maintenance**, i.e. all those interventions that are not regularly carried out or that have not been planned, or interventions that cannot be carried out by the Customer. They can also arise from the lack of routine maintenance.



ATTENTION!

Extraordinary maintenance work must be carried out together with the manufacturer's specialized technicians.



Regarding attendance, it must be considered that:

- **When necessary**: Operation to be carried out when the need to be carried out is seen;
- **Every machine start or job end**: Indicates a daily time period, in general. This can imply every 24 hours (i.e. at the beginning of the shift of every day, or the end of the shift of every day), or even more frequently, depending on the application;
- **Long pause**: Indicates a period approximately greater than an hour;
- **Each drum change**: Indicates each time the fuel system (tank, drum, cartridge or other) is changed;
- **Each mixer disassembly**: Indicates that each time the mixer is replaced, a certain operation must be performed;
- **Weekly**: Indicates a period equal to seven calendar days;
- **Monthly**: Indicates a period equal to one calendar month;
- **Semi-annual**: Indicates a period equal to six calendar months;
- **Yearly**: Indicates a period equal to one calendar year.



ATTENTION!

The times given below are indicative as they depend on how the component is used. Follow the variations suggested by the technicians.

Assigned	Description	Frequency	Chapter
	Perform a test function of the valve	Every machine start-up or end of work	\
	Perform a surface cleaning of the valve	Every machine start-up or end of work	\
	Put a bit of grease on the outlet nozzle	Every end of work	\
	Cleaning and/or replacing the nozzle	Semiannual	8.1
	Disassembly and reassembly of the valve	Annual	8.1



ATTENTION!

Apply the tip of petroleum jelly grease at the end of the work and at every prolonged pause in the system, to preserve the fluid inside the system and the functionality of the valve itself



ATTENTION!

Only use soft brushes or cotton cloths to clean the valve.

8.1 Disassembly and reassembly of the valve

Assigned	Periodicity	Materials and equipment
	Annual	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 2.5mm and 3mm Allen key • No. 8 wrench; • Narrow-nose pliers; • Slotted screwdriver.

PPE to wear



ATTENTION!

Before performing this procedure, you must relieve pressure from the system and disconnect the air connection.

01



Unscrew the micrometer adjustment to minimum by turning it counterclockwise

02



Unscrew the air inlet nozzles using a 3mm Allen wrench (if they are air inlets) or with an No. 8 wrench (if it is a silenced vent)

03



Unscrew the screws that hold the micrometric adjuster together with the body with a 2.5mm Allen key



ATTENTION!

There is a spring inside the body. Keep the micrometric adjuster firmly in place while unscrewing the screws to avoid damage to the threads, or to the person.

04



Remove the spring from its housing

05



Remove the nozzle body by removing the appropriate screws using a 2.5mm Allen key

06

N.A.

If necessary, remove the nozzle holder by unscrewing it by hand. If you are unable to do so by hand, use pliers, taking care not to damage the nozzle holder.

07



Take off the PTFE body

08

N.A. Push down on the pin and unscrew the membrane by hand. Then push the pin upwards to remove it from its seat

09

N.A. Remove the seeger using indoor seeger pliers. Once removed, place the nozzle part upwards and let out the lip seal and bronze ring.



If the lip seal and bronze ring do not come out of place, use a pin hunter to help yourself from the nozzle side.

To reassemble the valve, follow the same steps just seen but in reverse.



ATTENTION!

The lip seal has a mounting direction, i.e. the part with the lip should face the micrometric adjustment and not towards the nozzle.



ATTENTION!

Assemble the nozzle part first and then the spring part and the micrometric regulator, to have the spring effort when mounting the regulator and not the nozzle.



ATTENTION!

When mounting the nozzle block, the screws must not be pulled too tightly, otherwise the PTFE block will deform and no longer be usable. As soon as you feel some resistance you should stop pulling.

9 TROUBLESHOOTING

This chapter deals with the most common problems that may arise when using the component of this manual.



ATTENTION!

Once the operator has found a problem or assumes that there is a problem, they must call the technician in charge of maintenance. Maintenance should always be performed by a specialized and qualified technician.

DEFECT	CAUSE	SOLUTION
Low fluid output or no fluid	The valve does not receive the command	Check the valve control (solenoid valve). Perform a manual test
	Fluid pressure is too low or no fluid pressure	Check the pressure of the fluid supply unit and increase it if necessary
	The nozzle is clogged	Replace the nozzle
	The filter is dirty (if any)	Wash or replace the filter
	A tube is kinked	Check the condition of the fluid supply hoses
	Insufficient operating pressure	Check the actuation pressure (chap. 2.2)
	Fluid residues present in the system	Disassemble and clean any solid particles
	Membrane deformation	Replace the membrane
Nozzle drips even if valve is not piloted	Dirt in the nozzle	Clean or replace the nozzle
	Presence of foreign components between Teflon body and membrane	Overhaul the valve
Valve opens late	Insufficient operating pressure	Check the actuation pressure (chap. 2.2)
	O-Ring on damaged air piston	Replace O-Ring on pneumatic piston

10 END OF LIFE

End-of-life refers to all those activities that put the component out of service. End-of-life activities can be:

- **Storage**, i.e. when the component is placed inside the warehouse for an unspecified period waiting for a third party to buy the component;
- **Dismantling**, i.e. when the component has reached the end of work period, whether it is due to age, obsolescence or faults that cannot be repaired, or that it is possible to repair but it is worth buying a new component.

If installation is not planned soon, the component can remain packaged and must be stored in a sheltered and preferably closed place. The ambient temperatures to be observed are given in [chapter 2.2](#).

On the other hand, for the dismantling and consequent scraping of the component or its parts, the different nature of the various components must be considered, and a differentiated scrapping must be carried out. We recommend that you commission specialist companies for this purpose and must always observe the applicable laws on waste disposal.