

#### **DEFINITIONS**

#### **Set Pressure**

The pressure measured at the valve inlet at which a safety relief valve should commence to lift under service conditions.

#### Overpressure

The pressure increase above set pressure at the valve inlet at which the discharge capacity is attained. Usually expressed as a percentage of set pressure.

#### Accumulation

The pressure increase over a maximum safe working pressure of the vessel or system when the safety relief valve is discharging at its rated capacity is called accumulation. The term refers to the vessel or system to be protected and not to the valve. Accumulation is the same as over-pressure when the valve is set at the design pressure of the vessel.

#### **Re-Seat Pressure**

The pressure measured at the valve inlet at which the safety relief valve closes.

#### **Blow-Down**

The difference between the set pressure and the re-seating pressure expressed as a percentage of the set pressure or as a pressure difference.

#### Simmer

The pressure zone between the valve set pressure and the popping pressure. In this pressure zone the valve is only slightly open and therefore discharging a small percentage of its rated capacity.

#### **Popping Pressure**

The pressure at which the valve disc rapidly moves from a slightly open (simmer) position to a practically full open position.

#### Superimposed Back Pressure

Pressure higher than atmosphere in the safety relief valve outlet. This may result from discharge into the common disposal system of other safety relief valves or devices, or as a result of a specific design requirement. Back pressure can be either constant or variable depending on the operating conditions.

#### **Built Up Back Pressure**

The pressure existing at the outlet of a safety relief valve caused by flow through the valve into the disposal system.

#### **Differential Set Pressure**

This is the difference between the set pressure and the constant superimposed back pressure. It is applicable only when a conventional type safety relief valve is used to discharge against constant superimposed back pressure. (It is the pressure at which the safety valve is set at on the test bench without back pressure.)

#### **Cold Differential Set Pressure**

The pressure at which a safety relief valve, intended for high temperature service, is set on a test rig using a test fluid at ambient temperature. The cold differential test pressure will be higher than the set pressure, in order to compensate for the effect of elevated temperature on the valve.

#### Valve Lift

The actual travel of the valve disc away from the seat when the valve is relieving.

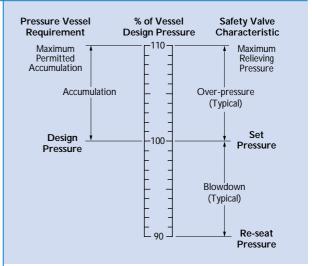
#### **Discharge Capacity**

Actual rate of discharge of service media, which can be expressed in mass flow or volumetric terms.

#### **Equivalent Capacity**

Calculated mass or volumetric flow rate of the valve of a given test fluid. The fluids commonly used for test purposes are steam, air and water.

#### PRESSURE TERM RELATIONSHIP



Note: System operating pressure must always be less than the re-seat pressure.

## **Pressure Reducing Valves**

### INTRODUCTION

You may be processing chemicals, producing food or drink, heating factories, sterilizing hospital equipment, supplying potable water in high rise buildings or fighting fires. Whatever the process, the chances are at some stage you will need to depend on a pressure reducing valve.

Bailey produce a wide range of dependable pressure reducing valves which independently and without intervention, monitor the supply pressure and automatically deliver a consistent reduced pressure for the operator, day and night.

When steam, air, water, liquids, gas or chemicals are to be used, boilers, pumps and compressors are quite often required to pressurise the system. The initial system pressure is usually high due to the use of small diameter cost effective piping systems, and it will be substantially higher than the pressure required by the final application. Most of these applications require reliable, constant and stable reduced pressures, without which the process would lose or produce poor quality products.

The comprehensive Bailey range of pressure reducing valves is used throughout the world on a huge array of applications; below is a guide to which valve type is best suited for a given application.

#### PRESSURE REDUCING VALVES - APPLICATIONS

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#### PILOT OPERATED PRESSURE REDUCING VALVES

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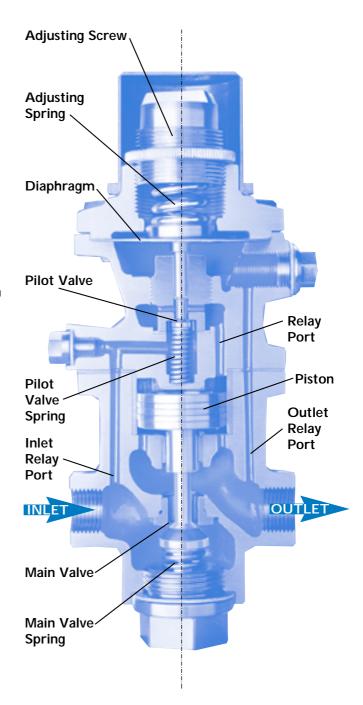
The 'G4' pressure reducing valve is designed for use on steam, air and gases. It will maintain a constant outlet pressure irrespective of variations in the inlet pressure or demand from the system.

Initially with no compression on the adjusting screw, both the pilot and main valve seats are closed due to the action of the springs in the pilot and main valve. Fluid at the inlet pressure passes up the inlet relay port to the pilot valve seat which is opened by clockwise (viewed from above) rotation of the adjusting screw. This compresses the adjusting spring and applies load to the topside of the diaphragm, pushing open the pilot valve. Fluid now passes through the pilot valve seat, through the relay port to the top of the large diameter piston, which in turn pushes the main valve open.

The pressure of the fluid is reduced as it passes through the open main valve from the inlet to the valve outlet. At the same time fluid passes up the outlet relay port to the underside of the diaphragm, from where the outlet pressure is controlled.

The outlet pressure is a result of the balancing of the forces acting on the diaphragm, from the adjusting spring above and the reduced pressure from below.

The 'G4' is extremely sensitive and accurate, due to the large diaphragm. Inlet variations, or demand from the system, will attempt to affect the outlet pressure. Such attempts will result in movement of the pilot valve, which in turn minutely moves the piston and main valve. Thus the outlet pressure is maintained and the controlling cycle starts again.



#### PRESSURE EQUIPMENT DIRECTIVE (PED)

The G4 pressure reducing valve is fully compliant/certified to the PED as follows:

Sizes DN15 to DN25 in accordance with article 3, paragraph 3 (sound engineering practice) hence do not require the CE mark.

Sizes DN32 to DN100 to Category II, group 1 gases (CE marked)

Sizes DN32 to DN150 to Category II, group 2 gases (CE marked)

#### REMOTE PRESSURE SENSING

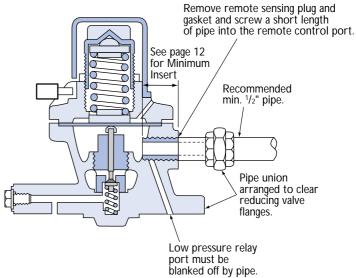
#### For Steam Applications

The 'G4' is a self-actuated, pilot operated pressure reducing valve and it relies upon a stable pressure signal from the outlet pipe work in order to maintain stable control of the outlet pressure.

However, under certain conditions the signal pressure may be unstable in the immediate vicinity of the valve outlet and as a result may cause erratic control.

This can easily be overcome by installing a balance pipe from the remote sensing port to a straight section of the outlet pipe where stable flow has been resumed (see diagram below).

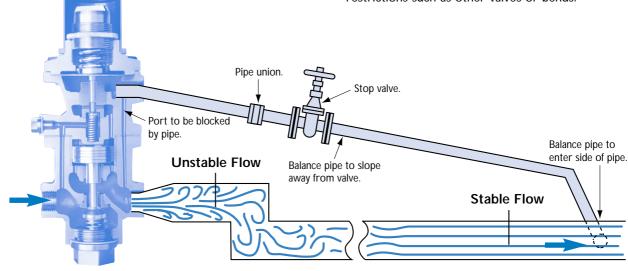
Ideally the balance pipe should be a minimum of 2 metres (6 feet) long and must be screwed into the remote sensing port to the required depth, see page 12. It should also include a pipe union and stop valve to allow dismantling and isolation. It should be installed with a steady fall away from the reducing valve, to facilitate self drainage of condensate.



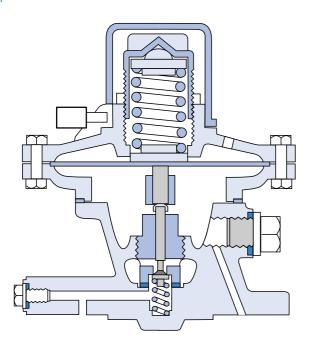
#### We recommend fitting a balance pipe:

- 1. When the reduced pressure is below 55% of the inlet pressure.
- 2. When a low pressure top is fitted.
- 3. When difficult outlet pipe work conditions occur.

We do not recommend fitting a balance pipe on air/gas applications. To ensure correct operation the G4 should be mounted at least 10 pipe diameters from restrictions such as other valves or bends.



#### LOW PRESSURE TOP



The standard 'G4' pilot top can reduce pressures down to 0.35 Barg (5 Psig). For pressures below this, a bronze low pressure pilot top can be fitted in place of the standard top. It is suitable for outlet pressures from 0.07 to 0.35 Barg (1 to 5 Psig) using the yellow spring. The low pressure top is available for fitting on to valve sizes 15 to 100mm (½ to 4 inch), and a balance line should always be fitted to a low pressure top, on steam duty and never on air/gas duty.

Note: A low pressure top is only suitable for inlet pressure up to a maximum of 7 Barg (100 Psig). Higher inlet pressures can be accommodated by use of two G4 valves 'in-series'.

The low pressure top can also be supplied as a **conversion kit**, allowing existing valves and stock to be modified quickly should the need suddenly arise.

#### **GAS AND OXYGEN DUTIES**

The 'G4' has successfully been used for many years with metal seats on demanding steam applications. However soft seated versions are available for industrial fine gas applications, involving such gases as carbon dioxide, nitrogen and oxygen. Typical application areas would include pharmaceuticals, food processing and brewing.

The 'G4' utilises a range of soft elastomer seat materials to meet the ever growing demand for these specialist applications.

In addition, valves for active gases, such as oxygen and methane, can be supplied fully assembled and tested to "oxygen service" standard in Bailey's state of the art clean room facility. This facility complies fully with the "Industrial Gas Committee" guidelines.

All soft seat options can also be supplied as **conversion kits**, allowing existing valves and stock to be modified quickly should the need suddenly arise.

We do not recommend fitting a balance pipe on gas applications. To ensure correct operation the G4 should be mounted at least 10 pipe diameters from restrictions such as other valves or bends.

#### STAINLESS STEEL

The 'G4' is available in a fully stainless steel version, sizes 15 to 50mm, both screwed and flanged.

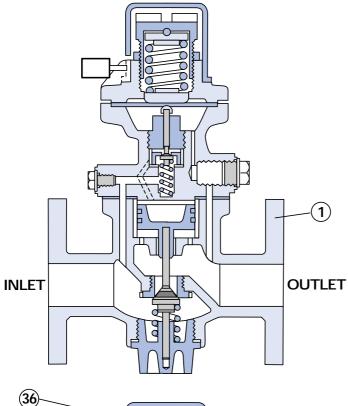
#### **Hygienic Environments**

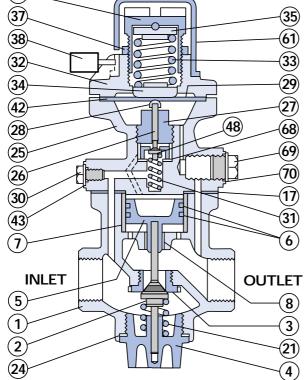
Changing regulations in the food, drink and pharmaceutical industries around the world now often require all stainless steel pipe work systems to be used in hygienic environments, which in turn require the use of stainless steel pressure reducing valves.

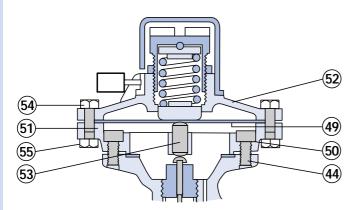
#### **Clean Steam Applications**

Regulations for hospitals, pharmaceutical, food and drink companies also require clean steam to be used for sterilisation and decontamination processes. Clean steam is very corrosive and requires stainless steel pressure reducing valves.

## **PARTS**







ITEM	PART
1 2 3 4 5 6 7	Body Main Valve Main Valve Seat Bottom Plug Piston Piston Rings Piston Liner Piston Guide
17 21	Valve Body Top Joint
21 24	Main Valve Spring Bottom Plug Joint
25	Pilot Valve Top
26	Pilot Valve
27	Pilot Valve Plug
28	Pilot Valve Cap
29	Diaphragm
30	H.P. Port Plug
31	Pilot Valve Spring
32 33	Pilot Valve Top Cover
33 34	Adjusting Spring Adjusting Spring Bottom Plate
3 <del>4</del> 35	Adjusting Spring Bottom Flate  Adjusting Spring Top Plate
36	Adjusting Screw
37	Locking Ring
38	Padlock
42	Diaphragm Joint
43	H.P. Port Plug Joint
44	Cap Headed Screws
48	Pilot Valve Head
49	L.P. Diaphragm
50	L.P. Screw Joint
51 52	L.P. Adaptor Flange
53	L.P. Top Cover L.P. Push Rod
53 54	L.P. Top Cover Bolts
55	L.P. Top Cover Nuts
61	Top Cap
68	Pilot Valve Plug Joint
69	Remote Control Plug
70	Remote Control Plug Joint

Note: A variety of elastomeric or PTFE seats and gaskets are available to suit various applications.

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#### TECHNICAL SPECIFICATION - G4 reducing valves

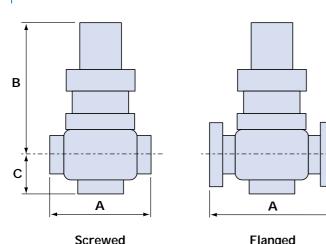
	Size		ı	MATERIAL	_S Main	PRESSU	RE Barg	TEMP.	
Figure	Range			Pilot	Valve	Inlet	Outlet	Deg.C	
Number	mm	Connections	Body	Тор	Trim	Min-Max	Min-Max	Min-Max	
2042	15–50	Screwed	Bronze	Bronze	St Steel	0.7-35§	0.07–21	-20 to +260	Ę,
†2042GN	15–50	Screwed	Bronze	Bronze	Nitrile	0.7-31	0.07-21	-20 to +100	shown,
†2042GV	15–50	Screwed	Bronze	Bronze	Viton	0.7-31	0.07-21	-18 to +150	gel s
†2042GP	15–50	Screwed	Bronze	Bronze	PTFE	0.7-35	0.07-21	-20 to +170	model
2042SS	15–50	Screwed	St Steel	St Steel	St Steel	0.7-42	0.35-21‡	-20 to +260	the
2042SN	15–50	Screwed	St Steel	St Steel	Nitrile	0.7-42	0.35-21‡	-20 to +100	for
2042SP	15–50	Screwed	St Steel	St Steel	PTFE	0.7-42	0.35-21‡	-20 to +170	E
2043	15–50	Flanged	Bronze	Bronze	St Steel	0.7-35§	0.07-21	-20 to +260	axin
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2044	65–150	Flanged	Cast Iron	Bronze	St Steel	$0.7 - 16\pi$ §	$0.07-15\pi$ §	-20 to +220	ture
2044GP	65–150	Flanged	Cast Iron	Bronze	PTFE	1.0–16	$0.07 - 15\pi$	-20 to +170	oera
2045	65–150	Flanged	Carbon St.	Bronze	St Steel	$0.7 - 35\pi$ §	$0.35-21\pi$ §	-20 to +260	sho
2045GP	65–150	Flanged	Carbon St.	Bronze	PTFE	1.0-35	0.07-21§	-20 to +170	es and temperatures in apply as shown below.
2046	15–150	Flanged	Carbon St.	Carbon St.	St Steel	$0.7-42\pi$ §	$0.35-21\pi$ §	-20 to +400	app
#2046GN	15–50	Flanged	Carbon St.	Carbon St.	Nitrile	0.7–31	0.35-21	-20 to +100	The pressures a restrictions appl
#2046GV	15–50	Flanged	Carbon St.	Carbon St.	Viton	0.7-31	0.35-21	-18 to +150	pre
#2046GP	15–150	Flanged	Carbon St.	Carbon St.	PTFE	1.0-42	$0.35 – 21\pi$	-20 to +170	The

Note: When outlet pressure is less than 0.35 Barg a low pressure top will be fitted.

- † 'G' for gas duty can be replaced by 'O' for oxygen duty.
- $\ensuremath{\ddagger}$  When a stainless steel spring is fitted the maximum outlet pressure is 10.5 Barg.
- # 15/20/25mm are all fitted into the 25mm body (1" flanges). 32/40/50mm are all fitted into the 50mm body (2" flanges).  $\pi$  Air service restrictions see below. § Steam service restrictions see below.

§ - Steam	n Service Restri	ctions
Figure	Restriction	
Number	on:	Restriction
2042	Inlet	25 Barg to 225°C/17 Barg to 260°C
2043	Inlet	25 Barg to 225°C/17 Barg to 260°C
2044	Inlet	13 Barg Max
2044	Outlet	12 Barg Max
2045	Inlet	65-150mm 25 Barg to 225°C/17 Barg to 260°C
2045	Outlet	65-100mm 21 Barg to 225°C/16 Barg to 260°C
2045	Outlet	125-150mm 12 Barg Max
2046	Inlet	42 Barg to 280°C/32 Barg to 400°C
2046	Outlet	125-150mm 12 Barg Max

π - Air Se Figure	ervice Restricti Restriction	ons
Number	on:	Restriction
2044	Inlet	16 Barg to 120°C/13 Barg to 220°C
2044	Outlet	65-100mm 15 Barg to 120°C/12 Barg to 220°C
2044	Outlet	125-150mm 12 Barg
2045	Inlet	65-150mm 35 Barg to 170°C/17 Barg to 260°C
2045	Outlet	65-100mm 21 Barg to 170°C/16 Barg to 260°C
2045	Outlet	125-150mm 12 Barg Max
2046	Inlet	42 Barg to 280°C/32 Barg to 400°C
2046	Outlet	125-150mm 12 Barg



### **CONNECTION OPTIONS**

Screwed

BSP\*\*

API/NPT

Flanged BS4504 PN\*\*

ANSI, BS10

Screwed				ged		ı				
		_		A	DIN	E	3	(	;	Weight
Valve type	Size	Connection	ins	mm	flange mm	ins	mm	ins	mm	kg
Fig 2042 Screwed Bronze or Stainless Steel	15mm 20mm 25mm 32mm 40mm 50mm	1/2" BSP 3/4" BSP 1" BSP 11/4" BSP 11/2" BSP 2" BSP	4.125 4.125 4.5 4.875 5.25 6.375	105 105 114 124 133 162	- - - -	8 8.25 8.375 9.625 9.875 10.25	203 210 213 244 251 260	2.375 2.5 2.625 3 3.125 3.25	60 64 67 76 79 83	6 6.8 7 10.8 12.7 15.4
Fig 2043 Flanged Bronze or Stainless Steel	15mm 20mm 25mm 32mm 40mm 50mm	½" ¾" 1" 1¼" 1½" 2"	5.5 5.625 6.75 7 7.5 8.5	140 143 171 178 191 216	130* 150* 160* 180* 200* 230*	8 8.25 8.375 9.625 9.875 10.25	203 210 213 244 251 260	2.375 2.5 2.625 3 3.125 3.25	60 64 67 76 79 83	8 8.6 9 13.6 16.3 20.8
Fig 2044 Flanged Cast Iron (Brz. top)	65mm 80mm 100mm 125mm 150mm	2½" 3" 4" 5" 6"	10 11.25 13.5 16 16.5	254 286 343 406 419	254 286 343 406 419	11.75 12 13.375 16.75 17.625	298 305 340 425 448	5.25 5.75 6.875 9 9.75	133 146 175 229 248	35 47 79 112 159
Fig 2045 Flanged Cast Steel (Brz. top)	65mm 80mm 100mm 125mm 150mm	2½" 3" 4" 5" 6"	10 11.25 13.5 16 16.5	254 286 343 406 419	254 286 343 406 419	11.25 11.25 12.75 15.75 16.5	286 286 324 400 419	5.125 5.75 7 8.625 9.75	130 146 178 219 248	38 56 80 107 174
Fig 2046 Flanged Cast Steel (C.S. top)	15mm 20mm 25mm 32mm 40mm 50mm 65mm 80mm 100mm 125mm	1" 1" 2" 2" 2" 2'½" 3" 4" 5"	6.75 6.75 6.75 9 9 10 11.25 13.5 16	171 171 171 229 229 229 254 286 343 406 419	230† 230† 230† 229 229 229 254 286 343 406 419	8.375 8.375 10.5 10.5 10.5 11.25 11.25 12.75 15.75 16.5	213 213 213 267 267 267 286 286 324 400 419	2.75 2.75 2.75 3.5 3.5 3.5 5.125 5.75 7 8.625 9.75	70 70 70 89 89 130 146 178 219	13.5 13.5 13.5 26.3 26.3 26.3 42 52 87 124

\*Din 3300 (PN40) †Din 3300 (PN64) Face to face dimensions are in accordance with

<sup>\*\*</sup>Standard item.

#### 'IN SERIES' INSTALLATIONS

Multiple valves installed 'In Series' should be considered for applications when high pressure drops are required. If the required outlet pressure is less than the minimum shown in the charts two valves can be used.

An 'In Series' installation should be designed to drop the pressure in at least two steps/stages.

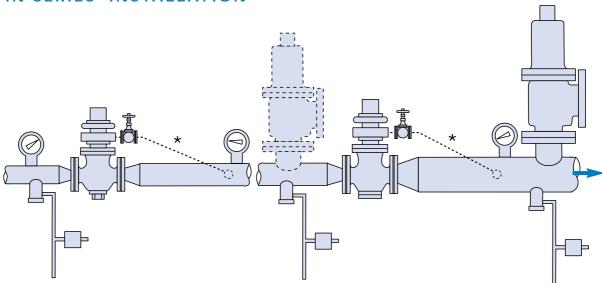
#### 'IN PARALLEL' INSTALLATIONS

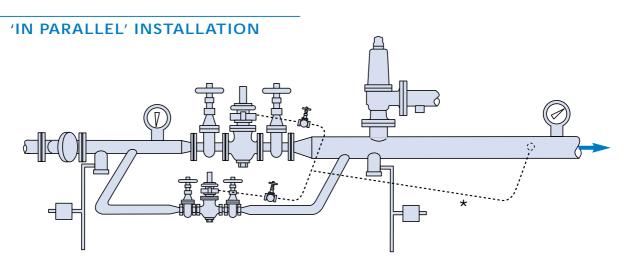
Multiple valves can be installed as an 'in parallel' system when the system has a very large variation in the required capacity. On such a system one large and one small valve should be installed, with a combined capacity greater than the maximum required demand, the smaller valve having a capacity just greater than the minimum required demand.

Setting the smaller valve slightly higher than the larger valve, will ensure that the larger valve is closed at low flow rates. Increasing demand will then open the larger valve as outlet pressure falls to its set point.

A typical diagram is shown (using close coupled parallel slide isolating valves).

#### 'IN SERIES' INSTALLATION



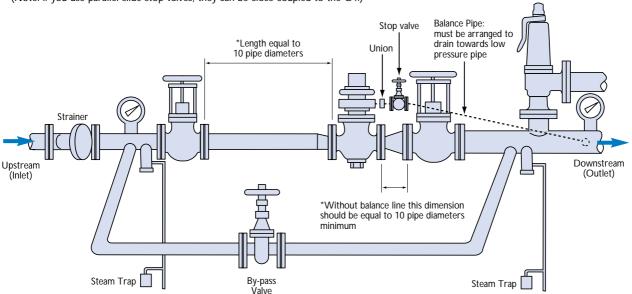


<sup>★</sup> Balance lines are only required on some steam applications, they are <u>not</u> required on air/gas applications.

#### INSTALLATION

#### TYPICAL STEAM REDUCING VALVE INSTALLATION USING GLOBE STOP VALVES

\*(Note: if you use parallel slide stop valves, they can be close coupled to the G4.)



The majority of troubles experienced with pressure regulators can be attributed to installation faults. These can be avoided by giving attention to the following points:

#### Sizing

The correct sizing and layout of regulators, pipework, stop valves, strainers and other fittings is extremely important for good performance.

#### **Inlet Strainer**

Dirt, grit and pipe scale are common causes of regulator failure. A strainer of upstream pipe size should be fitted at least 10 pipe diameters before the regulator.

#### Steam Traps

Steam reducing valve stations should have steam traps fitted on the inlet and outlet pipes, to prevent build up of condensate in the regulator, particularly under no flow conditions.

#### Safety Valve

Every installation should be fully protected against regulator failure by a safety valve. Care should be taken that the discharge from such a valve cannot cause damage to property or create a hazard to personnel. The safety valve should be sized to pass the maximum capacity of the regulator.

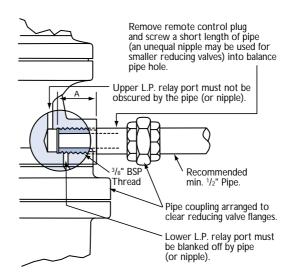
#### Pipe work

All pipework and fittings should be properly supported and free from any strain or vibrations which could affect their correct operation. All flanges should be correctly aligned and joints carefully fitted to avoid blockage of valve ports.

If a jointing compound is used it should not be allowed to foul the internal ports or working parts of the valve.

#### Balance Pipe (Steam applications only)

A balance pipe should be fitted when the reduced pressure is 55% or less of the inlet pressure, or to help counteract difficult turbulent downstream conditions caused by pipe fittings, valves or bends. The method of connecting the balance pipe to the reducing valve is shown in the sketch. It should drain downwards and be connected into the side of the downstream pipe at a point where smooth flow occurs (preferably downstream of the safety valve). Where isolation of the regulator is desired, a stop valve should be fitted in the balance line.



'A' dimension must be 15/16" ± 1/16" on all stainless steel valves or CS Fig 2046. All other valves with bronze pilot tops, the pipe should penetrate 1" minimum.

#### Before putting a regulator into service

Prior to installing the valve all pipes should be thoroughly blown-through to remove any dirt, grit or pipe scale. Additional cleaning can be done by removing the regulator bottom plug, main valve and spring, and then carefully opening the inlet stop valve by a small amount. Remove any dirt lodged in the valve body and replace all parts.

#### **SETTING**

#### Setting under no flow conditions

This is the more accurate method and may be carried out as follows:

- Any condensate remaining in the pipeline should be removed by first applying a little tension to the regulator adjusting spring (by rotating the adjusting screw clockwise for a few turns) and then slowly opening the outlet and inlet stop valves. When the downstream pressure starts to rise, close the inlet stop valve and remove all tension from the regulator adjusting spring.
- Close the outlet stop valve and slowly open the inlet stop valve. Wait for about one minute to confirm that the reduced pressure is maintained at zero. This is a check that the regulator gives 'deadtight' shut-off under no flow conditions.
- 3. Slowly raise the reduced pressure (by rotating the regulator adjusting screw clockwise) until the desired pressure is obtained. (Do not forget to set the safety valve 15% above the reduced pressure, if necessary.) The valve is now correctly set and the adjusting screw should be locked with the lock-nut provided.
- 4. Slowly bring the outlet stop valve to 'full open' and apart from a possible initial 'fall back' of the reduced pressure (whilst the systems is warmed through) the regulator should continue to maintain the reduced pressure.

#### **Setting On Flow**

With the inlet and outlet stop valves closed, apply a little tension to the regulator adjusting spring (by rotating the adjusting screw clockwise for a few turns). Open the inlet and all downstream stop valves and then wait until all condensate has been removed and the system properly warmed through. Then slowly raise the reduced pressure by clockwise rotation of the adjusting screw until the desired reduced pressure is obtained. (Do not forget to set the Safety Valve, if necessary.) If the flow is varying,

some trial and error may be necessary before the correct setting is finally achieved. The reduced pressure under no-flow conditions should be checked as soon as convenient.

We strongly recommend that the inlet strainer and reducing valve should be cleaned out one week after commissioning, and the strainer and steam traps checked at regular intervals thereafter.

#### **Outlet Pressure Regulation**

Up to 80mm (3") size  $\pm \frac{1}{2}$ % of outlet pressure [ $\pm$  0.035 Barg ( $\frac{1}{2}$  Psig) below 6.9 Barg (100 Psig)]

Above 80mm (3") size  $\pm 1\%$  of outlet pressure [ $\pm 0.07$  Barg (1 Psig) below 6.9 Barg (100 Psig)]

Pressure rise at dead end (steam only) = 1%.

#### SPRING SELECTION

If possible it is advisable to select a spring which has at least 10% additional adjustment above the required set pressure. As can be seen from the chart, the springs have overlapping ranges. Where possible the spring with the lowest range should be selected.

15-10	0mm (½" - 4")	VALVES
Barg	(Psig)	Colour Code
0.07-3.5	(1-50)	Yellow
0.7-7.0	(10-100)	Black
2.8-10.5	(40-150)	White
3.5-14.0	(50-200)	Green
7.0-21.0	(100-300)	Red
125-1	50mm (5"- 6")	VALVES
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120-1	30111111 (3 - 0 )	VALVES	
Barg	(Psig)	Colour Code	
0.35-1.4	(5-20)	Red	
0.7-3.5	(10-50)	Yellow	
2.8-7.0	(40-100)	Black	
3.5-12.0	(50-175)	Green	

#### SIZING

The G4 Pressure Regulator can give its best performance when correctly sized to match the maximum demand of the system. It is therefore important that the size of regulator is decided from the known or estimated consumption and never fitted just as a line size valve. It is useful to remember that the G4 is a full lift, high capacity valve and correctly sized will almost invariably be smaller than the size of the pipe work.

The valve sizing charts illustrate that the maximum capacity occurs when the outlet pressure is less than 55% of the inlet pressure (critical pressure drop sizing). When the outlet pressure is above 55% sub critical flow occurs and the capacity will be reduced.

Critical pressure drop sizing is only true when both the inlet and outlet pipework is sized correctly in accordance with our pipe sizing charts.

It is important to remember that the outlet pipe is invariably larger than the inlet pipe, in order to pass the same quantity of steam, air or gas at a lower pressure.

**Note** Undersized pipe work and fittings cause unnecessary and uncontrolled pressure losses and are a major cause of unstable control.

#### **Capacity Variations**

The sizing charts give the maximum capacities which can be handled by the regulator for the given inlet and outlet pressures.

For trouble free operation the minimum flow rate should be considered to be 10% of the maximum.

#### **Steam**

If no steam capacity is given, size the regulator based on the maximum flow which can be achieved through the inlet pipe, according to our pipe sizing charts.

Alternatively, if the maximum heat requirement of the system is known, the following approximate relationship can be used.

Steam Capacity:

 $Kg/h = Kcals \div 554$ 

 $kg/h = kW \times 0.6446$ 

 $lbs/h = B.T.U's/h \div 1000$ 

#### **Superheated Steam**

If the steam temperature is greater than the saturated steam temperature, the capacities shown in our tables will need to be reduced.

DEG	REES OF SUP	ERHEAT
°C	°F	Factor
0 to 10	0 to 50	multiply by 0.96
10 to 50	50 to 100	multiply by 0.92
50 to 75	100 to 150	multiply by 0.89
75 to 100	150 to 200	multiply by 0.86
100 to 150	200 to 300	multiply by 0.82

#### Air and Gases

For gases other than air, divide the chart air capacity by  $\sqrt{SG}$  (SG of Air = 1) to give the equivalent gas capacity.

#### **Other Temperatures**

The air/gas capacity tables are based on air at 15°C. If the actual flowing temperature is different, the chart capacity will need to be divided by  $\sqrt{(T/288)}$ 

Where: T= flowing temperature °C + 273°k.

## G4 DRY SATURATED STEAM CAPACITY - Kg/h

	Inlet Pressure	Outlet Pressure												
+	Barg	Barg	R15mm		20mm	25mm	32mm	40mm	50mm	65mm		100mm	125mm	
	0.70	0.35 0.07*	14.4 14.4	42.5 42.5	86.7 86.7	143 143	215 215	310 310	534 534	NA NA	NA NA	NA NA	NA NA	NA NA
	1.00	0.65 0.55 0.32* 0.07*	15.3 16.3 16.3 16.3	46.7 49.5 49.5 49.5	95.3 101 101 101	157 166 166 166	239 254 254 254	346 367 367 367	594 630 630 630	NA NA 1072 1072	NA NA 1337 1337	NA NA 2397 2397	NA NA NA NA	NA NA NA NA
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Useful Conversions  $lbs/h = kg/h \times 2.2046$ 

<sup>\*</sup> Low pressure top required for outlet pressures below 0.35 Barg
1. The Max. & Min. outlet pressure for a given inlet pressure and valve size, can be determined from the above table. E.g. a 100mm valve with an inlet pressure of 40 Barg has a maximum available outlet pressure of 20.7 Barg and a minimum of 8.07 Barg.
2. To ensure the above flows, it is critical the correct size of outlet pipe is used.
3. For super heated steam the above capacities need to be derated.

## G4 AIR CAPACITY - I/s @ 15°C

Barg Barg R15mm	15mm 20mm	25mm 32mr							
<b>0.70</b> 0.35 4.6	14 28.6	47.1 71.8		50mm 178	65mm NA	80mm NA	100mm NA	125mm NA	150mm NA
0.70 0.33 4.6	14 28.6	47.1 71.8		178	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
1.00 0.65 5.0 0.55 5.4 0.32* 5.4 0.07* 5.4	15.531.516.433.516.433.516.433.5	52.0 79.2 55.2 84.2 55.2 84.2 55.2 84.2	122 122	196 209 209 209	NA NA 357 357	NA NA 445 445	NA NA 797 797	NA NA NA NA	NA NA NA NA
2.00 1.65 6.3 1.30 7.6 1.10 8.3 0.35 8.3 0.07* 8.3	19.3     39.5       23.2     47.3       25.3     51.6       25.3     51.6       25.3     51.6	65.0 99.1 77.9 118 85.0 129 85.0 129 85.0 129	143 171 187 187 187	246 295 322 322 322	NA 473 516 516 516	NA 590 643 643	NA 1057 1153 1153 1153	NA 1530 1819 1819 NA	NA 2180 2377 2377 NA
5.00     4.30     11.2       4.00     12.8       2.75     17.0       0.35     17.0       0.07*     17.0	34.3 70.1 39.1 79.8 51.8 106 51.8 106 51.8 106	115 176 131 200 174 265 174 265 174 265	254 289 383 383 383	437 497 659 659 659	NA 765 1057 1057 1057	NA 954 1318 1318 1318	NA 1711 2363 2363 2363	NA 2477 3803 3803 NA	NA 3528 4871 4871 NA
10.00 9.00 17.4 5.50 31.0 1.20 31.0 0.35 31.0	53.3 108 94.5 193 94.5 193 94.5 193	179 272 317 484 317 484 317 484	394 699 699	678 1202 1202 1202	912 1928 1928 1928	1137 2404 2404 2404	2039 4309 4309 4309	2951 7008 7008 NA	4204 8882 8882 NA
15.00 14.00 20.2 12.00 34.3 8.25 45.0 2.90 45.0 0.80* 45.0	61.7 125 104 213 137 280 137 280 137 280	207 316 351 536 460 702 460 702 460 702	456 775 1014 1014 1014	785 1332 1743 1743 1743	908 2099 2796 2796 2796	1132 2618 3486 3486 3486	2029 4692 6249 6249 6249	NA 6792 10187 10187 NA	NA 9673 12882 12882 NA
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**Useful Conversions** 

 $SCFM = 1/sec \times 2.12$  $Nm^3/h = 1/sec \times 3.60$ 

<sup>\*</sup> Low pressure top required for outlet pressures below 0.35 Barg

1. The Max. & Min. outlet pressure for a given inlet pressure and valve size, can be determined from the above table. E.g. a 100mm valve with an inlet pressure of 40 Barg has a Maximum available outlet pressure of 20.7 Barg and a minimum of 8.07 Barg.

2. To ensure the above flows, it is critical the correct size of outlet pipe is used. See page 17.

3. For gases other than air and temperatures other than 15°C refer to page 14

CAPACITIES FOR STEAM IN kg/h (For lbs/h multiply capacity by 2.2046.) See opposite for air capacities

Pressure	Pressure	<u>)</u>				PII	PE SI	ZE (r	nillim	etres)						
in Psig	in Barg	15	20	25	32	40	50	65	80	100	125	150	200	250	300	350
7.5	0.5	9 0.03	18 0.03	30 0.03	45 0.03	88 0.03	159 <i>0.03</i>	308 0.03	476 0.03	705 0.03	1270 0.03	1540 <i>0.03</i>	3080 <i>0.02</i>	4620 <i>0.02</i>	6810 <i>0.02</i>	9430 <i>0.02</i>
15	1.0	12 0.04	22 0.04	39 <i>0.04</i>	59 <i>0.04</i>	118 <i>0.04</i>	218 <i>0.04</i>	400 <i>0.04</i>	590 <i>0.04</i>	975 0.04	1630 <i>0.04</i>	2270 0.04	4000 <i>0.03</i>	6430 0.03	9480 <i>0.03</i>	13100 <i>0.03</i>
30	2.0	16 0.05	33 0.06	55 <i>0.06</i>	88 0.06	177 0.06	305 0.06	545 0.06	840 <i>0.06</i>	1475 0.06	2450 0.06	3500 <i>0.06</i>	6140 0.05	8920 <i>0.04</i>	13100 <i>0.04</i>	18200 <i>0.04</i>
45	3.0	20 0.07	44 0.08	75 0.08	118 0.09		419 0.10			1900 <i>0.08</i>	3080 <i>0.08</i>	4400 0.08	8160 <i>0.07</i>	12400 <i>0.06</i>	16700 0.05	23200 0.05
60	4.0	24 0.10	54 0.10	97 0.11	147 0.12		545 <i>0.12</i>	1040 <i>0.12</i>		2450 <i>0.11</i>	4080 <i>0.11</i>	5670 0.11	10200 <i>0.10</i>	16900 0.09	23500 0.08	30400 0.07
75	5.0	29 0.11	67 0.12	116 0.13			625 0.14			2950 <i>0.13</i>	4760 0.13	6670 0.13	13100 <i>0.12</i>	20300 <i>0.11</i>	28600 <i>0.10</i>	37500 <i>0.09</i>
90	6.0	36 0.12	76 0.14	136 0.15	211 0.16	427 0.16		1400 <i>0.16</i>		3450 <i>0.16</i>	5800 <i>0.16</i>	7950 <i>0.15</i>	15000 <i>0.14</i>	23700 <i>0.13</i>	33600 <i>0.12</i>	44500 <i>0.11</i>
100	7.0	43 0.14	91 0.16	154 0.18			864 0.19			3950 <i>0.18</i>	6600 0.18	9300 <i>0.17</i>	17200 <i>0.16</i>	27100 0.15	38600 <i>0.14</i>	51500 <i>0.13</i>
115	8.0	48 0.15	104 0.17	182 <i>0.20</i>			955 0.22			4300 <i>0.20</i>	7270 0.20	10200 0.19	19000 <i>0.18</i>	30500 0.17	43700 <i>0.16</i>	58500 <i>0.15</i>
130	9.0	52 0.18		200 <i>0.24</i>			1140 <i>0.26</i>				8650 <i>0.25</i>	12200 <i>0.23</i>	21800 <i>0.22</i>	34800 <i>0.20</i>	50000 <i>0.19</i>	65500 <i>0.17</i>
145	10.0	57 0.20		222 0.27			1200 <i>0.30</i>			5580 <i>0.28</i>	9550 <i>0.28</i>	13400 <i>0.2</i> 7	25000 <i>0.26</i>	39900 <i>0.24</i>	57500 <i>0.23</i>	76100 0.21
175	12.0	67 0.23		259 0.31			1450 <i>0.35</i>			6850 0.35	11500 0.35	16100 0.34	30000 0.31	47500 0.29	68700 <i>0.28</i>	91700 <i>0.26</i>
220	15.0	75 0.29		318 <i>0.39</i>				3640 <i>0.46</i>		8600 <i>0.46</i>		19700 <i>0.43</i>	33200 0.41	59000 0.39	84600 <i>0.37</i>	113900 <i>0.35</i>
260	18.0	93 0.35	227 0.40					4300 <i>0.54</i>			17700 0.55		47600 0.51	74100 <i>0.49</i>	106900 0.47	144800 <i>0.45</i>
290	20.0	107 0.38	250 0.44	435 0.50				4760 <i>0.62</i>			20000 <i>0.64</i>	28200 <i>0.63</i>	54000 <i>0.61</i>	85400 <i>0.59</i>	123600 0.57	168100 <i>0.55</i>
360	25.0	134 0.47	287 0.54	522 0.61				5400 <i>0.74</i>		14700 0.78		36100 <i>0.78</i>	66600 0.76	106000 0.74	154000 <i>0.72</i>	210000 <i>0.70</i>
435	30.0	159 0.56		619 0.72				6470 0.89			28900 <i>0.93</i>	43100 <i>0.93</i>	79600 0.91	127100 0.89	185000 <i>0.87</i>	253400 <i>0.85</i>
510	35.0	186 0.66	399 0.75					7550 1.04				50100 1.08	92700 1.06	148200 1.04	216200 1.02	296400 1.00
580	40.0	214 0.76	456	820	1320	2690	4610	8550 1.17	13900		38200		105800 1.21		247500 1.17	339700 1.15
610	42.0	221 0.79	420	847	1360	2770	4750		14400	24100		59200	109800 1.27	175800 1.25	256900 1.23	352800 1.21

#### Estimated Air capacities – multiply chart capacities as follows:

- (1) Multiply chart capacity by 0.66 to give Air flow in SCFM
- (2) Multiply chart capacity by 1.2 to give Air flow in Nm³/h

Estimated Air pressure drops:

For guidance multiply the chart pressure drop by 1.23 to give an approximate Air pressure drop.

**Note (1)** Figures in *blue italics* show pressure drops (Barg) for equivalent lengths equal to 360 pipe diameters. When using this table, allowance should be made for the effects of bends and fittings in the pipe line.

**Note (2)** All capacity values are based on acceptable pressure drops, not velocity per unit length of pipe. Higher pressure drops will result in higher steam velocities and increased noise levels.

#### Example

Question: What size pipe will pass 800 kg/h of dry saturated steam at 7 Barg?
50mm pipe will pass 864 kg/h at 7 Barg (Pressure drop over 18m (360 pipe diameters) will be approximately 0.19 Barg).

#### SIZING EXAMPLE

#### Requirement

Fluid - Steam @ 184°C Inlet Pressure - 10 Barg Outlet Pressure - 5.5 Barg Required Capacity - 1100 kg/h

#### Sizing

Refer to the sizing chart on page 15 At an inlet pressure of 10 Barg and at an outlet pressure of 5.5 Barg.

The first valve to pass more than 1100 kg/h is the  $32mm (1\frac{1}{4})$ , which will pass 1489kg/h.

#### Selection

We can choose between figures 2042, 2043 or 2046. The choice will then depend on the customer's requirements on connections and materials. The most economical choice would be the 2042 screwed bronze valve.

At 5.5 Barg a standard top is acceptable (ref. page 6), only one diaphragm is required (see opposite) and the black spring (ref. page 13) should be fitted with a range of 0.7 to 7.0 Barg.

#### **Inlet Pipe Size**

Refer to page 17, at 10 Barg the smallest pipe to pass our required flow of 1100kg/h is 50mm (2").

#### **Outlet Pipe Size**

Refer to page 17, at 5.5 Barg the smallest pipe to pass our required flow of 1100kg/h is 65mm (2  $\frac{1}{2}$ ").

#### **SPARES**

#### **Routine Service Pack:**

- 1 Diaphragm
- 1 Set of Piston Rings
- 1 Pilot Valve Cap
- 1 Set of Joints

#### Complete Repair kit:

- 1 Diaphragm
- 1 Set of Piston Rings
- 1 Pilot Valve Assembly
- 1 Main Valve
- 1 Main Valve Seat
- 1 Main Valve Spring
- 1 Set of Joints
- 1 Pilot Valve Cap



Each carton of spares contains a leaflet, which not only identifies the parts supplied, but also has a recommended list of 'check-points' to help identify common causes of reducing valve trouble.

#### **DIAPHRAGMS**

One diaphragm is required for reduced pressures up to 10.5 Barg (150 Psig), but two are required for reduced pressure above this figure.

#### SURPLUS/MAINTAINING VALVES

The 'G4 surplus' valve can also be described as a 'pressure maintaining' or 'pressure sustaining' valve.

In these days of high energy costs and environment emission controls, steam and air systems can be very expensive to install and run. Often most industrial applications need steam or air for the main process plant and it is critical to maintain the supply to these processes. Additionally, such plants will also have other demands of a less critical nature such as compressed air lines, heating and cleaning systems.

Obviously two separate systems could be employed, providing that the necessary funds are available to install and run both. Alternatively the secondary and less critical applications can be run from the surplus generated from the main system. However, during periods of extreme demand the main process could be starved of steam or air, resulting in production disruption and product loss. (See figure 1).

#### The solution is to fit a 'G4 surplus' valve.

The 'G4 surplus' valve is designed to be installed in branch lines to non-essential equipment (see figure 1), to maintain the upstream pressure, thus maintaining the supply to the more vital process and subsequently maintaining production from the system. Alternatively to dump flow surplus to requirements, to a drain or atmosphere.

Additionally if the pressure in a boiler or air accumulator is allowed to fall too low, a lot of energy will be required to build up the pressure once again (see figure 2).

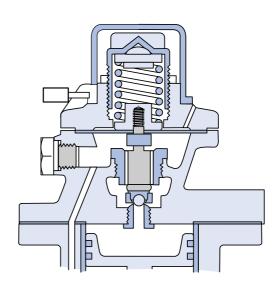
The solution is to fit a 'G4 Maintaining' valve.

The 'G4 Maintaining' valve is designed to be installed in the main pipeline from the boiler or an air compressor (see figure 2), to maintain the pressure in the boiler or accumulator, thus preventing the boiler or accumulator from becoming exhausted.

#### Operation

The inlet pressure is directed under the diaphragm. A small increase in pressure above the set pressure lifts the diaphragm and opens the pilot valve, which in turn opens the main valve. Subsequently when excess demand drops the pressure below the required level, the adjusting spring will overcome the pressure under the diaphragm and close the pilot valve. This in turn causes the main valve to close, thus cutting the surplus supply and/or maintaining pressure in the main line, boiler or accumulator.

This duty and valve type is known by many names. As can be seen in this text the valve 'maintains' or 'sustains' pressure in the main line, boiler or accumulator and can use 'surplus' pressure for non-essential services.



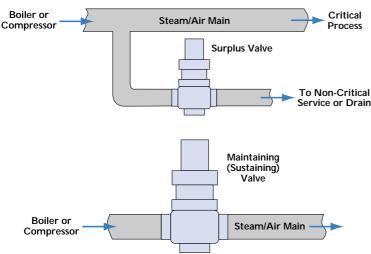


Figure 1

When the G4 surplus valve is closed, the full flow from boiler/compressor goes to the critical process.

#### Figure 2

When the G4 maintaining valve is closed, the full flow from boiler/compressor is stopped and the minimum pressure of the boiler/accumulator is maintained.

#### G4 SURPLUS/MAINTAINING VALVE SELECTION

#### Example 1: Surplus duty (see figure 1, page 20)

A steam boiler normally working at a pressure of 10 Barg, delivers steam to a critical process which must not fall below 8 Barg (closing pressure) in order to preserve correct operation. The excess (surplus) capacity produced can be used for a non-critical service. If this non-critical service requires 3500 Kg/h of saturated steam, what size of G4 surplus valve will be required?

A surplus valve is normally sized on the minimum allowable pressure drop across the valve ie: at an equivalent pressure equal to the maximum outlet setting of the valve. Looking at page 15 and the 10 Barg inlet pressure, the maximum outlet setting is 9 Barg. The required flow is 3500kg/h by 0.48 and it can be seen that the 80mm (3") valve will pass a maximum flow of 3771kg/h.

## Example 2: Pressure maintaining duty (see figure 2, page 20).

A steam boiler, normally working at a pressure of 10 Barg, delivers steam to a process. It is determined that the boiler pressure must not fall below 8 Barg. The process normally requires

3500 Kg/h of saturated steam, what size of G4 maintaining valve will be required?

Selecting a pressure maintaining valve is the same as selecting a surplus valve, therefore follow the same sizing procedure.

#### SURPLUS/MAINTAINING VALVE PERFORMANCE

A small pressure rise (accumulation) above the set point is required to fully open the valve, and a small pressure drop (regulation) below the set pressure is required to close the valve. It is therefore important to set the valve higher than the pressure at which the valve must be closed, to allow for this regulation.

In the above examples the valve must be set at a minimum of 8.15 Barg. This allows for the regulation of 0.15 Barg to ensure the valve is fully closed at 8 Barg. It can also be seen that the valve will be fully open by 8.35 Barg (i.e. 0.2 Barg accumulation above the set point of 8.15 Barg).

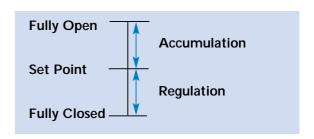
#### Spring selection

If possible, it is advisable to select a spring which has at least 10% adjustment above the required set pressure. As can be seen from the chart, the springs have overlapping ranges and therefore, where possible, the spring with the lowest pressure range should be selected.

In the examples we require a spring for a pressure of 8.15 Barg (ideally plus 10%, say 9 Barg). As can be seen the white, green and red springs can do this pressure, however the white spring should be selected as it has the lower range.

#### Valve selection

Referring to the charts on page 3 and page 22, it can be seen that the figures 2044 and 2045 are suitable for the given conditions.



Closing	Pressure .	Accumulation Regulation						
Barg	(Psig)	Barg	(Psig)	Barg	(Psig)			
0.35 - 3.5	(5 - 50)	0.10	(1.5)	0.04				
3.5 - 7.0	(50 - 100)	0.10	(1.5)	0.10	(1.5)			
7.0 - 10.3	(100 - 150)	0.20	(3.0)	0.15	(2.0)			
10.3 - 20.7	(150 - 300)	0.50	(7.0)	0.70	(10.0)			

Spring Colour Code	Spring Pressure Range						
	Barg	(Psig)					
Yellow	0.35 - 3.5	(5 - 50)					
Black	0.7 - 7.0	(10 - 100)					
White	2.8 - 10.3	(40 - 150)					
Green	3.5 - 14.0	(50 - 200)					
Red	7.0 - 20.7	(100 - 300)					

#### **DIAPHRAGMS**

For pressures above 10.3 Barg (150 Psig) two diaphragms must be fitted. Below this pressure only one diaphragm is fitted.

## TECHNICAL SPECIFICATION - G4 SURPLUS/MAINTAINING VALVES

Figure No.		2042	2043	2044	2045
Size		15 – 50mm (½ – 2ins)	15 – 50mm (½ – 2ins)	65 – 100mm (2½ – 4ins)	65 – 100mm (2½ – 4ins)
Connections		Screwed	Flanged	Flanged	Flanged
Material		Bronze	Bronze	Cast Iron	Cast Steel
Max. inlet pressure		20.7 Barg (300 Psig)	20.7 Barg (300 Psig)	20.7 Barg (300 Psig)	20.7 Barg (300 Psig)
Min. inlet pressure		0.7 Barg (10 Psig)	0.7 Barg (10 Psig)	1.03 Barg (15 Psig)	1.03 Barg (15 Psig)
Temperature range	Min.	Max.	Max.	Max.	Max.
Stainless steel seat	–20°C (–68°F)	260°C (500°F)	260°C (500°F)	220°C (430°F)	260°C (500°F)
Nitrile seat	–20°C (–68°F)	100°C (212°F)	100°C (212°F)	NA	NA
Viton seat	–18°C (–64°F)	150°C (302°F)	150°C (302°F)	NA	NA
PTFE seat	–20°C (–68°F)	170°C (338°F)	170°C (338°F)	170°C (338°F)	170°C (338°F)

