

MODEL DA3/4

DA3/4 - DIRECT-ACTING, PRESSURE LOADED PRESSURE REDUCING REGULATOR

A Model DA3 and DA4 are identical except that a Model DA4 includes a lower piston spring; a Model DA3 never includes this spring.

SECTION I

I. DESCRIPTION AND SCOPE

Models DA3 and DA4 are pressure reducing regulators used to control downstream (outlet or P2) pressure. Sizes are 1/2" (DN15), 3/4" (DN20), 1" (DN25), 1-1/4" (DN32), 1-1/2" (DN40), 2" (DN50), 3" (DN80), 4" (DN100) and 6" (DN150). With proper trim utilization, the unit is suitable for liquid, gaseous, or steam service. Refer to Technical Bulletin DA3/4-TB for design conditions and selection recommendations. (**NOTE:** *These products were formerly identified as a Model D3 and D4; a Model DA3 and D3 are the same; a Model DA4 and D4 are the same.*)

This manual does not include any instructions related to the various methods of pressure loading a Model DA3 or DA4 main valve.

SECTION II

II. REFERENCES

Refer to Technical Bulletin DA3/4-TB and DAG-TB for technical specifications of a Model DA3 or DA4 regulator.

ABBREVIATIONS

CCW – Counter Clockwise
CW – Clockwise
ITA – Inner Trim Assembly

SECTION III

III. INSTALLATION

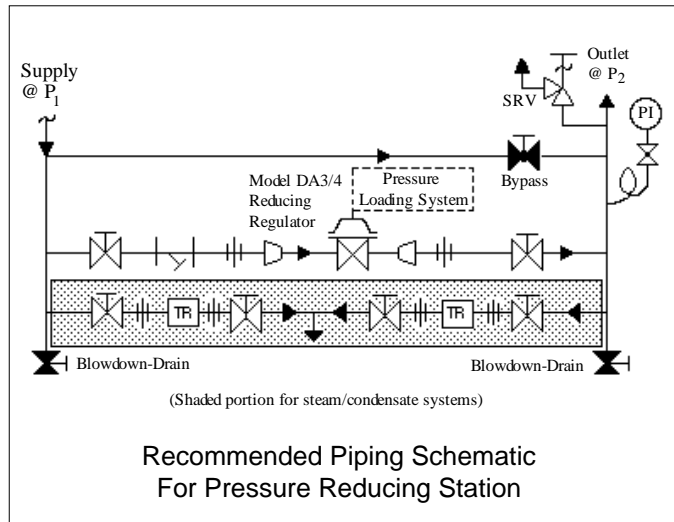
1. Regulator may be rotated around pipe axis 360 degrees. For ease of maintenance, the recommended position is with the cover dome (25) upwards. In liquid service it is recommended that the cover dome (25) be oriented downwards, and that a customer supplied and installed vent valve be provided at the external sensing connection to bleed-off trapped gas/air under the diaphragm.
2. Provide space below, above, and around regulator for removal of parts during maintenance.
3. Install block valves and pressure gauges to provide means for adjustment, operation, bypass, or removal of the regulator. A pipeline strainer is recommended before inlet to remove typical pipeline debris from entering valve and damaging internal "soft goods", primarily the dynamic seal.

4. Downstream Sensing Installation Considerations – Internal or External Sensing:
 - a. The regulator may be installed with internal or external sensing. Unless otherwise specified, the regulator is supplied by factory with internal sensing. The regulator may be converted in the field to external sensing.
 - b. Reference DAG-TB, Table DAG-11 for recommendations for applying external pressure sensing.
 - c. For internal sensing, no external line is required. For external sensing, use an external control line. The line is connected from the port (1/4" NPT) on the side of the body diaphragm flange to a pressure tap downstream of the regulator. Use 1/4" or 3/8" outer diameter tubing or 3/8" pipe having an inner diameter equivalent to schedule 40 pipe.
 - d. For condensable vapors (i.e. steam) slope the external sensing line downward 2 to 5 degrees to outlet piping to prevent water pock-

ets, which allows the diaphragm chamber to always be self draining. The external sensing line may be sloped upward for liquids or gases.

CAUTION

DO NOT HYDROSTATIC TEST THROUGH AN INSTALLED UNIT; ISOLATE REGULATOR FROM TEST. The upper range spring pressure level on the nameplate is the recommended “upper operating limit” for the sensing diaphragm. Higher pressures could cause internal damage. In addition, note on the nameplate that the Inlet and Outlet pressure and temperature ratings are at different levels.



SECTION IV

IV. PRINCIPLE OF OPERATION

1. When a loading pressure – P_{Load} – is applied to the top side of a diaphragm, the outlet controlled pressure – P_2 – will balance at approximately 0.90–.98 of the loading pressure - P_L . (**NOTE:** *Fluctuations in P_1 – Inlet Pressure will cause a deviation in P_2 – Outlet Pressure due to inverse sympathetic ratio effect.*) See Section VIII.
2. Movement occurs as pressure variations register on the diaphragm. The registering pressure is the

outlet, P_2 , or downstream pressure. The loading pressure fluid opposes diaphragm movement. As outlet pressure drops, the loading pressure pushes the diaphragm down, opening the port; as outlet pressure increases, the diaphragm pushes up and the port opening closes.

3. A complete diaphragm failure will cause the regulator to fail open. A loss of loading pressure while inlet pressure is imposed will cause valve to fail closed.

SECTION V

V. STARTUP

- 1 Start with the block valves closed.
2. Adjust the loading system pressure control device so that main valve is trying to be controlled at 0 psig pressure.
3. If it is a “hot” piping system, and equipped with a bypass valve, slowly open the bypass valve to preheat the system piping and to allow slow expansion of the piping. Ensure proper steam trap operation if installed. Closely monitor outlet (downstream) pressure via gauge to ensure not overpressurizing. **NOTE:** *If no bypass valve is installed, extra caution should be used in starting up a cold system; i.e. do everything slowly.*

4. Crack open the outlet (downstream) block valve to approximately 10% full open.
5. Slowly open the inlet (upstream) block valve to about 25% open. Adjust the loading system pressure control device setpoint pressure upwards until the main valve is flowing. Observe the outlet pressure gauge to ensure not overpressurizing.
6. Continue to slowly open the inlet (upstream) block valve until fully open.
7. Continue to slowly open the outlet (downstream) block valve, especially when the downstream piping system isn't pressurized. If the outlet (downstream) pressure exceeds the desired pressure, close the inlet block valve and go to Step 2. Close bypass valve approximately 25%, and repeat procedure.
8. When flow is established steady enough that the outlet (downstream) block valve is fully open, begin to slowly close the bypass valve if installed.

CAUTION

Do not walk away and leave a bypassed regulator unattended!

9. Develop system flow to a level near its expected normal rate, and reset the regulator set point by adjusting the loading system pressure control setpoint to the desired outlet pressure level.

10. Reduce system flow to a minimum level and observe pressure set point. Outlet pressure will rise from the set point of Step 9 for a Model DA4, and may rise for a Model DA3. The maximum rise in outlet pressure on decreasing flow should not exceed the 10%. If it does, consult factory.

SECTION VI

VI. SHUTDOWN

1. Shutoff auxiliary loading pressure source, if supplied.
2. Shutoff inlet block valve.
3. Allow sufficient time for the line pressure downstream of the inlet block valve to bleed down.

4. Shutoff the outlet block valve.
5. Relieve the trapped upstream and downstream pressure and loading pressure.
6. The regulator may now be removed from the pipeline or disassembled for inspection and preventative maintenance while in-line.

SECTION VII

VII. MAINTENANCE

A. General:

1. The regulator may be serviced without removing the regulator from pipeline. The regulator is designed with quick-change trim to simplify maintenance.
2. Record the nameplate information to requisition spare parts for the regulator. The information should include: size, KM Product Code, Serial Number, and internal or external sensing. (**NOTE:** *Never both types of sensing.*) If external sensing is used, be sure that the external sensing line is connected.
3. Refer to Section VIII for recommended spare parts. Only use original equipment parts supplied by Cashco/KM for rebuilding or repairing regulators.
4. Owner should refer to owner's procedures for removal, handling, cleaning and disposal of nonreusable parts, i.e. gaskets, etc.

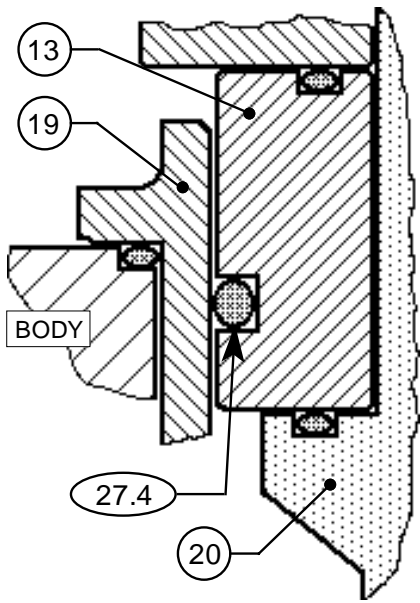
NOTE: *On regulators originally supplied as "oxygen clean" – Opt-55, maintenance must include a level of cleanliness equal to Cashco cleaning standard #S-1134.*

5. The Inner Trim is removed and replaced in the body (23) as an assemblage of parts. The Inner Trim Assembly, hereinafter called **ITA**, consists of the following parts:

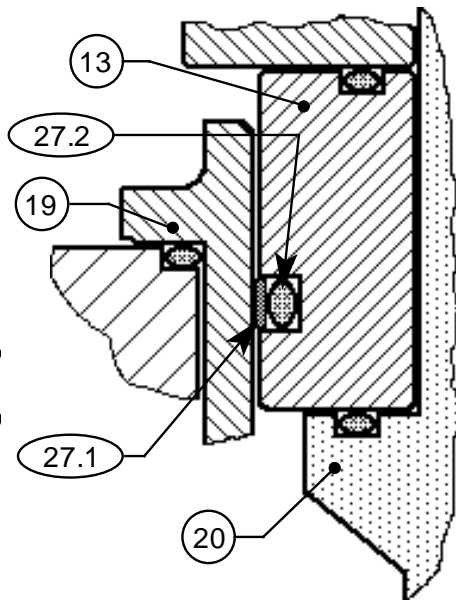
<u>Item No.</u>	<u>Dynamic Seal Type</u>	<u>Part Description</u>
13	All	Guide Bearing/Piston
14	All	Static Stem Seal
14.1	All	Upper Static Stem Seal
14.2	All	Middle Static Stem Seal
14.3	All	Lower Static Stem Seal
15	All	Cage O-ring Seal
16	CW,PW	Wiper
17.1	CW,PW	Wiper Washer
17.2	OR,CP, PR,UC	Camber Adjusting Washer *
19	All	Cage
20	All	Valve Plug
21	All	Seat Ring
27	All	Dynamic Side Seal
27.1	CP,CW	TFE Cap Seal
27.2	CP, CW	O-ring Energizer/Seal
27.3	UC	U-Cup Seal w/Metal Energizer
27.4	OR	O-Ring Seal
27.5	PR,PW	Piston Ring Seal
27.6	PR,PW	Piston Ring SST Energizer

* Metal Diaphragm Only.

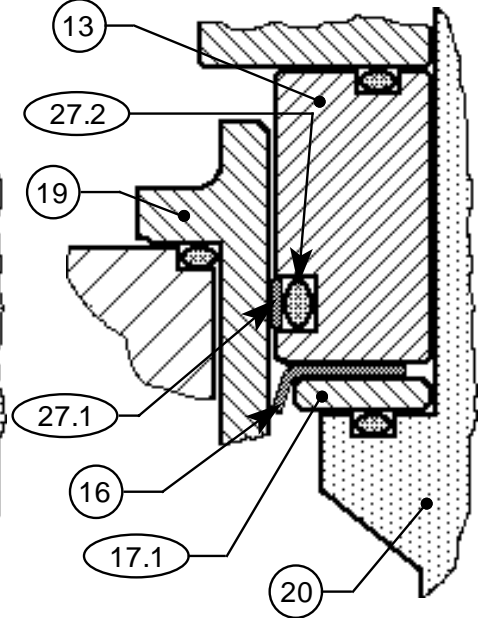
A detailed view of the dynamic side seal parts is shown in Figure 1 on the next page.



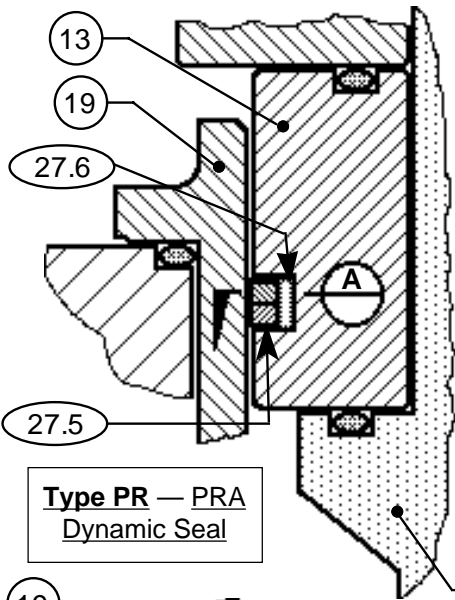
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Dynamic Seal



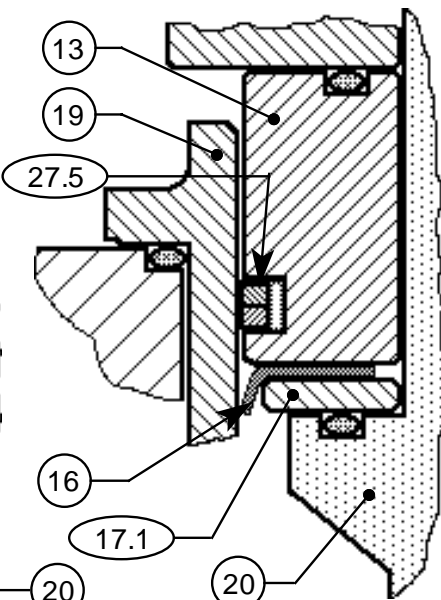
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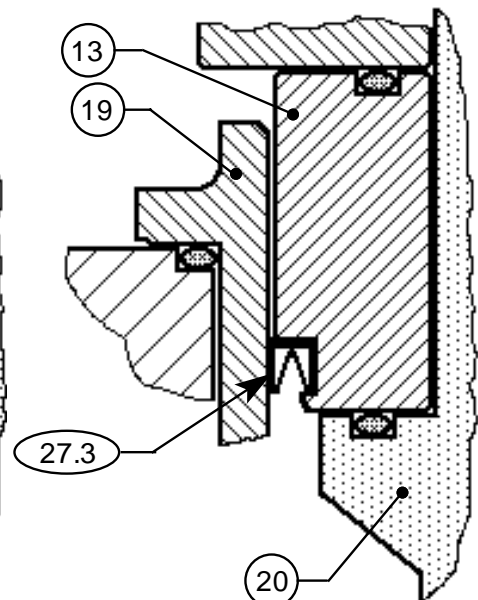
Type CW — TFE Cap
Dynamic Seal + Wiper



Type PR — PRA
Dynamic Seal



Type PW — PRA Dynamic
Seal + Wiper



Type UC — U-Cup
Dynamic Seal

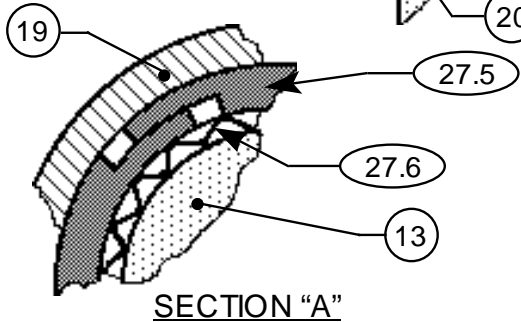


Figure 1: Dynamic Side Seals

B. Main Valve Disassembly:



WARNING

SYSTEM UNDER PRESSURE. Prior to performing any maintenance, isolate the regulator from the system and relieve all pressure. Failure to do so could result in personal injury.

1. Shut down the system in accordance with Section VI.
2. Disconnect the external sensing line, if installed.
3. Though it is possible to disassemble the valve unit while installed in a pipeline, it is recommended that maintenance be done in a shop when possible. The descriptions hereafter will assume shop disassembly. Remove valve from pipeline.
4. Place the valve unit in a vise with the cover dome (25) upwards.
5. Loosen the diaphragm flange bolts (11) and nuts (12) uniformly.
6. Place matchmarks on body (23) and cover dome (25) flanges. Remove the cover dome (25).
7. For composition diaphragm construction, hold the milled "flats" on top of the valve plug (20) stationary with vise grips. Loosen and remove the diaphragm lock nut (7). **NOTE: Metal diaphragm constructions do NOT have a diaphragm lock nut (7).**
8. Remove upper diaphragm pressure plate (8).
9. Remove diaphragm(s) (9, 9.1, 9.2, 9.9) and o-ring upper stem seal (14.1). Examine diaphragm(s) to determine whether failed; determine if operating conditions are exceeding pressure, pressure drop or temperature limits.
10. For composition diaphragm construction, remove lower diaphragm pusher plate (10).
11. Evenly loosen the three cage cap screws (18) in single revolution increments. (A Model DA4 regulator contains a lower piston spring (22); the ITA should rise as the cage cap

screws (18) are evenly backed out.) A downwards holding force should be applied to the top of the piston-guide bearing (13) to prevent the ITA from popping up as the last threads of the cage cap screws (18) are backed out.

12. Remove the ITA by pulling up on the valve plug (20). Set ITA aside.
13. Remove the lower piston spring (22), as applicable, from within the body (23). **NOTE: Model DA3's are composition diaphragm (9) construction ONLY, and never include a lower piston spring (22). Model DA4's always include a lower piston spring (22), and can include a metal or composition diaphragm (9) construction.**
14. Remove o-ring cage seal (15).
15. If supplied, remove internal sensing drilled plug (32) using 5/32" (4 mm) Allen wrench.
16. Remove body (23) from vise. Solvent clean all removed metal parts.

C. Disassembly of the ITA:

1. Units with Composition Diaphragm(s) (See Figure 2):

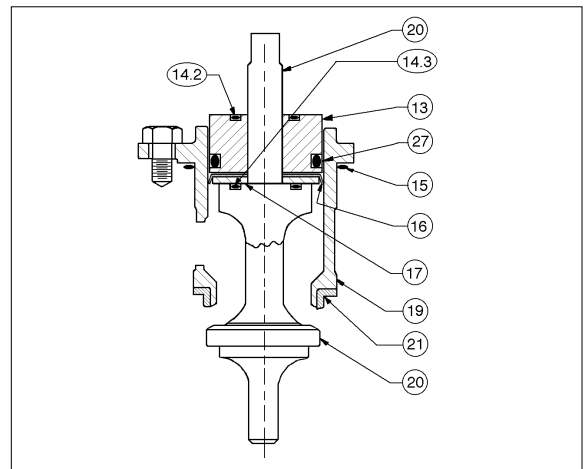


Figure 2: Assembled ITA, Composition Diaphragm Construction

- a. Pull the valve plug (20) downwards and out of the piston-guide bearing (13) and out of the cage's (19) bottom, while holding the cage (19).
- b. Remove the piston-guide bearing (13) from the upper end of the cage (19).
- c. Remove o-ring middle stem seal (14.2) from piston-guide bearing (13).

- d. Examine the components (27.1, 27.2, 27.3, 27.4, 27.5, 27.6) of the dynamic side seal (27) mechanism to determine if significant leakage was occurring. If the dynamic side seal (27) shows signs of significant leakage, determine if operating conditions are exceeding pressure, pressure drop, or temperature limits.

Remove dynamic side seal (27) components. Special care should be taken when using "tools" to remove the components to ensure that no scratches are imparted to any portion of the piston-guide bearing (13) groove.

- e. Remove wiper seal (16), if supplied, from within cage (19).
- f. Remove wiper washer (17.1) or camber adjusting washer (17.2), if supplied, from within cage (19).
- g. Remove o-ring lower stem seal (14.3) from plug (20).
- h. Remove seat ring (21); examine for signs of leakage. If seat ring (21) shows signs of significant leakage, determine if operating conditions of pressure, pressure drop, or temperature are exceeding limits.

2. Units with Metal Diaphragm(s) (See Figure 3):

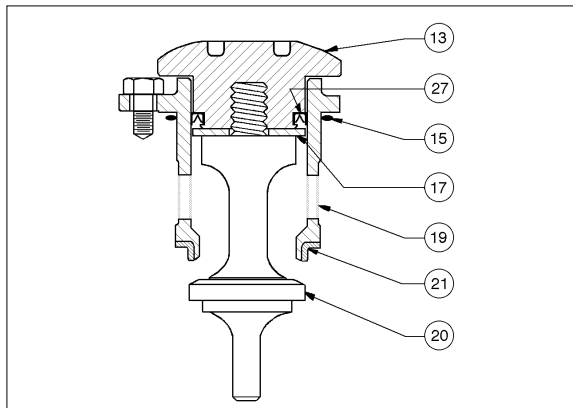


Figure 3: Assembled ITA, Metal Diaphragm Construction

- a. To disassemble the ITA, hold the lower part of the valve plug (20) in a bench vise; do not hold on the machined surface in the plug's (20) spindle area. (The spindle "slides" in the pressed-in-place lower guide bushing (24) and can not be allowed to be marred.)
- b. Using soft-jawed locking pliers, soft-jawed pipe wrench or a special double-posted spanner wrench fitting, turn the piston-guide bearing (13) CCW to loosen; pis-

ton-guide bearing (13) can be removed by hand after loosening.

- c. Pull the valve plug (20) downwards and out of the piston-guide bearing (13) and out of the cage's (19) bottom while holding the cage (19).
- d. Remove the piston-guide bearing (13) from the upper end of cage (19).
- e. Examine the components (27.1, 27.2, 27.3, 27.4, 27.5, 27.6) of the dynamic side seal (27) mechanism to determine if significant leakage was occurring. If the dynamic side seal (27) shows signs of significant leakage, determine if operating conditions are exceeding pressure, pressure drop, or temperature limits.

Remove dynamic side seal (27) components and discard. Special care should be taken when using "tools" to remove the components to ensure that no scratches are imparted to any portion of the piston-guide bearing (13) groove.

- f. Remove wiper seal (16), if supplied, from within cage (19).
- g. Remove wiper washer (17.1) or camber adjusting washer (17.2), if supplied, from within cage (19).
- h. Remove o-ring lower stem seal (14.3) from plug (20).
- i. Remove seat ring (21); examine for signs of leakage. If seat ring (21) shows signs of significant leakage, determine if operating conditions of pressure, pressure drop, or temperature are exceeding limits.

3. Solvent clean all reuseable metal parts.

D. Inspection of Parts:

1. After inspection remove from the work area and discard the old "soft goods" parts (i.e. o-rings, diaphragms, seals, gaskets, etc.) after inspection. These parts **MUST** be replaced with factory supplied new parts.
2. Inspect the metal parts that will be reused. The parts should be free of surface contaminants, burrs, oxides, and scale. Rework and clean the parts as necessary. Surface conditions that affect the regulator performance are stated below; replace parts that can not be reworked or cleaned.
3. QC Requirements:
 - a. Valve plug (20);
 1. 16 rms finish on its seating surface for tight shutoff.
 2. No major defects on bottom guide spindle.

- b. Cage (19);
 - 1. 16 rms finish on cylinder bore. No “ledges” formed due to wear from moving dynamic side seal (27) or wiper seal (16).
 - c. Lower guide bushing (24) (non-replaceable):
 - 1. 16 rms finish on bore.
 - 2. Max 0.015 inch (0.38 mm) clearance between valve plug (20) spindle and lower guide bushing (24).
 - d. Internal sensing drilled plug (32):
 - 1. Ensure that bore is minimum 0.125 inch (3.20 mm). Drill out as required.
4. Staging Material for Reassembly.
- a. Inspect and clean parts, as necessary, from the spare parts kit. (See Article VI.A.4. comments concerning cleaning for oxygen service.)
 - b. Lay out all the regulator parts and check against the bill of material.

over upper end of cage (19) properly oriented. Using thumbs, evenly press piston-guide bearing (13) into the cage (19), ensuring not to “cut” o-ring seal (27.4). Continue pressing piston-guide bearing (13) until in approximate final position.

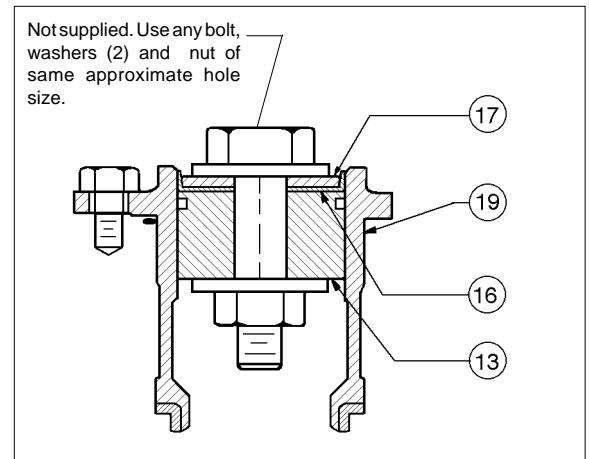


Figure 4

E. Reassembly of the ITA:

- 1. When replacing the optional wiper seal (16), the replacement wiper seal (16) is “pre-formed”. It will, however, require reforming. Reform the wiper seal (16) by pressing the temporary assembly parts into the cage (19) backwards as shown in Figure 4. The wiper seal (16) is best left in this position overnight, but a minimum of two (2) hours prior to reassembly.
- 2. After forming the wiper seal, remove parts (13, 16, 17) from cage (19) and disassemble the temporary assembly of Step 1. above.
- 3. Installation of dynamic side seal (27) (See Figure 1):
 - a. Type OR: (All sizes except 6".)
 - 1. Stretch o-ring seal (27.4) over lower circumference of piston-guide bearing (13), taking care not to “cut” o-ring seal (27.4). Using thumbs, work the o-ring seal (27.4) up and into the groove of the piston-guide bearing (13). **NOTE: A very slight amount of fluid and elastomer compatible lubricant is recommended as an installation aid.**
 - 2. For metal diaphragm construction, insert camber adjusting washer (17.2) into cage (19) and allow to rest in the bottom of the cage (19).
 - 3. Position piston-guide bearing (13)
 - b. Type CP: (All sizes except 6".)
 - 1. Stretch o-ring energizer/seal (27.2) over lower circumference of piston-guide bearing (13), taking care not to “cut” o-ring energizer/seal (27.4). Using thumbs, work the o-ring energizer/seal (27.4) up and into the groove of the piston-guide bearing (13). **NOTE: A very slight amount of fluid and elastomer compatible lubricant is recommended as an installation aid.**
 - 2. For metal diaphragm construction, insert camber adjusting washer (17.2) into cage (19) and allow to rest in the bottom of the cage (19).
 - 3. Position TFE cap seal (27.1) ring with rectangular cross-section at end of piston-guide bearing (13). Stretch cap seal (27.1) over lower end of piston-guide bearing (13) using thumbs to work the cap seal (27.1) onto the piston-guide bearing (13). **DO NOT USE A TOOL FOR THIS STEP.** Continue pressing cap seal (27.1) upwards towards the groove until the cap seal (27.1) “snaps” into the groove of the piston-guide bearing (13).
 - 4. Position piston-guide bearing (13) over and into upper end of cage (19) until the cap seal (27.1) edge touches the upper lip of the cage (19). While gently applying force to press the

piston-guide bushing (13) into the cage (19), simultaneously use fingers to lightly press the cap seal (27.1) inwards into the groove of the piston-guide bearing (13) until the cap seal (27.1) "slips into" the cage (19). **DO NOT USE TOOLS, LUBRICANT, OR HEAVY FORCE TO ENGAGE THE CAP SEAL (27.1) INTO THE CAGE (19).** Do not press inwards on the Cap Seal (27.1) too much or the cap seal (27.1) may slide out of its groove or the cap seal (27.1) can be damaged.

c. Type CW: (All sizes except 6".)

1. Stretch o-ring energizer/seal (27.2) over lower circumference of piston-guide bearing (13), taking care not to "cut" o-ring energizer/seal (27.4). Using thumbs, work the o-ring energizer/seal (27.4) up and into the groove of the piston-guide bearing (13). **NOTE:** *A very slight amount of fluid and elastomer compatible lubricant is recommended as an installation aid.*
2. Place wiper washer (17.1) into "cup" of Wiper Seal (16). Holding these parts (17.1 & 16) between thumb and forefinger, insert into cage (19) at an approximate 45° angled approach with wiper washer (17.1) on bottom, wiper seal (16) on top with turned-down lip of wiper seal (16) entering cage (19) first. Rotate wiper seal (16) and wiper washer (17.1) to a level position approximately half way down into cage (19). Allow wiper washer (17.1) to rest on bottom of cage (19).
3. Position TFE cap seal (27.1) ring with rectangular cross-section at end of piston-guide bearing (13). Stretch cap seal (27.1) over lower end of piston-guide bearing (13) using thumbs to work the cap seal (27.1) onto the piston-guide bearing (13). **DO NOT USE A TOOL FOR THIS STEP.** Continue pressing cap seal (27.1) upwards towards the groove until the cap seal (27.1) "snaps" into the groove of the piston-guide bearing (13).
4. Position piston-guide bearing (13) over and into upper end of cage (19) until the cap seal (27.1) edge touches the upper lip of the cage (19). While gently applying force to press the piston-guide bushing (13) into the

cage (19), simultaneously use fingers to lightly press the cap seal (27.1) inwards into the groove of the piston-guide bearing (13) until the cap seal (27.1) "slips into" the cage (19). **DO NOT USE TOOLS, LUBRICANT, OR HEAVY FORCE TO ENGAGE THE CAP SEAL (27.1) INTO THE CAGE (19).** Do not press inwards on the Cap Seal (27.1) too much or the cap seal (27.1) may slide out of its groove or the cap seal (27.1) can be damaged.

d. Type PR: (All sizes.)

1. Stretch corrugated metal piston ring energizer (27.6) over lower circumference of piston-guide bearing (13). Using thumbs work the energizer (27.6) into the piston-guide bearing (13) groove.
2. Spread a piston ring seal (27.5) and slide over lower circumference of piston-guide bearing (13), taking care not to "cut" piston ring seal (27.5). Using thumbs, work the piston ring seal (27.5) into the groove of the piston-guide bearing (13). Repeat this procedure with a second piston ring seal (27.5). **NOTE:** *A piston ring assembly (PRA) consists of one metal corrugated energizer (27.6) and two piston ring seals (27.5). Also, the 6" body size includes three sets of PRA's in the sets of grooves; all other body sizes have only one set of PRA.*
3. Position piston-guide bearing (13) over and into upper end of cage (19) until the lower piston ring seal (27.5) touches the upper lip of the cage (19). While gently applying force to press the piston-guide bearing (13) into the cage (19), simultaneously use fingers to lightly circumferentially press the first (lower) piston ring seal (27.5) inwards into the piston-guide bearing (13) groove until the first piston ring seal (27.5) "slips into" the cage (19). Repeat for the second piston ring seal (27.5).

e. Type PW: (All sizes except 6".)

1. Place wiper washer (17.1) into "cup" of Wiper Seal (16). Holding these parts (17.1 & 16) between thumb and forefinger, insert into cage (19) at an approximate 45° angled approach with wiper washer (17.1) on bottom,

- wiper seal (16) on top with turned-down lip of wiper seal (16) entering cage (19) first. Rotate wiper seal (16) and wiper washer (17.1) to a level position approximately half way down into cage (19). Allow wiper washer (17.1) to rest on bottom of cage (19).
2. Stretch corrugated metal piston ring energizer (27.6) over lower circumference of piston-guide bearing (13). Using thumbs work the energizer (27.6) into the piston-guide bearing (13) groove.
 3. Spread a piston ring seal (27.5) and slide over lower circumference of piston-guide bearing (13), taking care not to "cut" piston ring seal (27.5). Using thumbs, work the piston ring seal (27.5) into the groove of the piston-guide bearing (13). Repeat this procedure with a second piston ring seal (27.5). **NOTE:** A piston ring assembly (PRA) consists of one metal corrugated energizer (27.6) and two piston ring seals (27.5).
 4. Position piston-guide bearing (13) over and into upper end of cage (19) until the lower piston ring seal (27.5) touches the upper lip of the cage (19). While gently applying force to press the piston-guide bearing (13) into the cage (19), simultaneously use fingers to lightly circumferentially press the first (lower) piston ring seal (27.5) inwards into the piston-guide bearing (13) groove until the first piston ring seal (27.5) "slips into" the cage (19). Repeat for the second piston ring seal (27.5).
- f. Type UC: (All sizes except 6".)
1. Stretch u-cup seal (27.3) over lower circumference of piston-guide bearing (13), taking care not to "cut" u-cup seal (27.3) on the protruding shelf that is part of the piston-guide bearing's (13) groove. Ensure that the u-cup seal (27.3) is oriented with the center-open-downwards as shown in Figure 1, as the u-cup seal (27.3) depends upon the P1-Inlet Pressure to pressure activate the seal for proper sealing action.
 2. Position piston-guide bearing (13) over and into upper end of cage (19) until the cap seal (27.1) edge touches the upper lip of the cage (19). While gently applying force to press the piston-guide bearing (13) into the cage (19), simultaneously use fingers to lightly press the u-cup seal (27.3) inwards into the groove of the piston-guide bearing (13) until the u-cup seal (27.3) "slips into" the cage (19). **DO NOT USE TOOLS, LUBRICANT, OR HEAVY FORCE TO ENGAGE THE U-CUP SEAL (27.3) INTO THE CAGE (19).**
4. Place properly oriented seat ring (21) onto its shoulder at the lower end of cage (19).
5. Composition Diaphragm Designs.
 - a. Place new o-ring lower stem seal (14.3) into groove of valve plug (20).
 - b. Insert valve plug (20) upwards through lower end of cage (19) and through the center hole in piston-guide bearing (13), also capturing camber adjusting washer (17.2), wiper washer (17.1) and wiper seal (16), if supplied. Hold plug (20) and cage (19) together.
 - c. Place an oversized nut or stack of washers, the same approximate height of the upper diaphragm pressure plate (8) and the lower diaphragm pusher plate (10), over the upper end of valve plug (20) and temporarily secure with diaphragm lock nut (7), manually tightened. Do **NOT** allow valve plug (20) to rotate against seat ring (21) during tightening.
 - d. This completes ITA preliminary/partial reassembly.
 6. Metal Diaphragm Designs.
 - a. Insert valve plug (20) upwards through lower end of cage (19) and through the center hole of camber adjusting washer (17.2) or wiper washer (17.1) and wiper seal (16).
 - b. Engage valve plug (20) with piston-guide bearing (13) threads and tighten manually as far as possible.
 - c. Place ITA into a vise with leaded jaws and grasp at a hub location on the valve plug (20) that is not in the "spindle" zone. (See Figure 3.)
 - d. Using soft-jawed locking pliers, soft-jawed pipe wrench, or a special double-posted spanner wrench fitting, tighten piston-guide bearing (13) to valve plug (20) firmly. Do **NOT** allow valve plug (20) to rotate against seat ring (21) during tightening.
 - e. This completes ITA reassembly.

F. Main Reassembly:

1. Place body (23) in a vise.
2. Reinstall internal sensing drilled plug (32) with compatible thread sealant.
3. Insert the lower piston spring (22) into the body (23), if supplied.
4. Fit the o-ring cage seal (15) into its body (23) groove.
5. With the ITA held manually in the closed position, insert ITA into body (23).
6. Properly align all three cage bolt (18) holes as there is only one circumferential location possible for this alignment. If a lower piston spring (22) is used, apply downward force to the top of the cage (19) until the ITA is lowered sufficiently to engage the cage bolts (18) into the body (23). Engage all of the cage bolts (18), then evenly screw in the cage bolts in one-half revolution increments to pull down the ITA, taking care NOT TO "COCK" THE ITA IN THE BODY. Torque the cage bolts (18) to 13-15 ft-lbs.
7. Composition Diaphragm Designs:
 - a. For the following steps b.-h., the upper end of valve plug (20) MUST be manually held up if unit is not supplied with lower piston spring (22).
 - b. Remove temporarily installed diaphragm lock nut (7) and spacers of previous Step 5.c. this section.
 - c. Place new o-ring middle stem seal (14.2) into groove of piston-guide bearing (13) upper surface.
 - d. Position lower diaphragm pusher plate (10) over upper end of valve plug (20) with tongue and groove "groove" on upper side.
 - e. Place new o-ring upper stem seal (14.1) over upper end of valve plug (20).
 - f. Place diaphragm(s) (9) over end of valve plug (20). **NOTE:** For multiple diaphragms (9) that include TFE material, the TFE should be on wetted side; for 6-ply TFE elastomer diaphragm (9), stackup is TFE-TFE-HK-HK-TFE-TFE, beginning with lower wetted diaphragm (9) first.
 - g. Place upper diaphragm pressure plate (8) over upper end of valve plug (20) with tongue and groove "ridge" on lower side.
 - h. Place lubricant on valve plug (20) threaded end. Engage diaphragm lock nut (7) with

upper end of valve stem (20) as far as possible manually.

- i. Place a wrench on diaphragm lock nut (7) and a torque wrench on the upper end of valve plug (20). Hold torque wrench stationary and rotate diaphragm lock nut (7) to the following torque levels:
 - 1/2"-1" body sizes — 60-70 ft-lbs.
 - 1-1/4"-2" body sizes — 120-130 ft-lbs.
 - 2-1/2"-4" body sizes — 180-200 ft-lbs.DO NOT allow valve plug (20) to rotate against seat ring (21) during tightening.
 - j. This completes ITA reassembly.
8. Metal Diaphragm Designs:
- a. Install new diaphragm gasket (37) onto body (23) diaphragm flange.
 - b. Position diaphragm(s) (9) onto body's (23) diaphragm flange with bolt holes aligned.
 - c. Position upper diaphragm pressure plate (8) onto center top of diaphragm(s) (9) with rounded side of plate (8) on bottom next to diaphragm (9).
9. Aligning matchmarks and bolt holes, place cover dome (25) onto body (23).
10. Reinstall all flange bolts (11) and nuts (12) with nameplate (99) located under one bolthead. Hand-tighten nuts (12).

NOTE: If a six-ply diaphragm is being used, it is important that the diaphragm (9) is "pre-formed" – pulled together to remove as much entrapped air as possible and allow formation of a diaphragm (9) convolution. Starting with the body bolts and nuts (11,12) hand tightened, "preforming" can be accomplished by any one of the following techniques:

- a. Apply 30 psig pressure to the valve outlet.

OR

Block the valve outlet and apply 30 psig under the diaphragm through the 1/4" NPT (plugged) external pressure sensing connection on the valve diaphragm flange.

- b. Leave pressure on through tightening of bolting (11,12).

11. Evenly tighten the body bolting (11,12) in an alternating cross pattern in one revolution increments to the following torque value:
- 1/2" to 2" body sizes — 35-40 ft-lbs.
 - 2-1/2" to 4" body sizes — 45-50 ft-lbs.

If supplied, remove pressure of previous Step 10.

G. Units with Supported Diaphragm Designs:

1. A supported diaphragm (9) construction is designated as Opt-80 High Outlet Pressure. Both upwards and downwards directions are protected against pressure reversal; i.e. pressure on one side of diaphragm (9) with no pressure on other side of diaphragm (9).
2. Body Sizes 2" and Smaller; Composition and Metal Diaphragm. (See Figure 5.)
 - a. Body (23) is specially machined with a shelf to capture a lower diaphragm support ring (35).
 - b. Cover dome (25) is specially machined to provide a surface for the upper diaphragm (9) support. Lower diaphragm support ring (35) is captured by its location. Upon removal of cover dome (25) and diaphragm (9), the lower diaphragm support ring (35) can be lifted upwards and out of the body (23) cavity.
 - c. Reinstallation is a reversal of Step b. above.
3. Body Sizes 2" and Smaller; Metal Diaphragm. (See Figure 6.)
 - a. Body (23) is specially machined with a shelf to capture a lower diaphragm support ring (35) and a groove for lower o-ring diaphragm seal (65).
 - b. Cover dome (25) is specially machined to provide a surface for the upper diaphragm (9) support and a groove for upper o-ring diaphragm seal (65). Lower diaphragm support ring (35) is captured by its location. Upon removal of cover dome (25) and diaphragm (9), the lower diaphragm support ring (35) can be lifted upwards and out of the body (23) cavity.
 - c. Dual o-ring seals (65) replace the diaphragm gasket (37) normally supplied with standard metal diaphragm construction; i.e. non-Opt-80.
 - d. Reinstallation is a reversal of Step b. above.
4. Body Sizes 2-1/2" and Larger; Composition Diaphragm. (See Figure 7.)
 - a. Body (23) is a standard body (23).
 - b. Cover dome (25) is specially machined to provide a surface for the upper diaphragm (9) support.

- c. When disassembling valve unit, after lower diaphragm pusher plate (10) is removed, access is provided to extended-length cage cap screws (18). When screws (18) are removed, both the cage (19) and the lower diaphragm support ring (35) are loose, and can be lifted upwards and out of the body (23) cavity.
- d. Upon reassembly of valve unit, after cage (19) is positioned in body (23), lower diaphragm support ring (35) is positioned with cage (19) flange bolt holes (only one orientation possible) prior to engagement and tightening of cage cap screws (18). Torque screws to levels indicated in Sub-Section F.7.i., this Section.

H. Pressure Testing:

1. If a hydrostatic pressure test is performed, pressure must be applied to all three of cover dome (25), inlet and outlet of body at the same level.
DO NOT HYDROSTATICALLY TEST WITHOUT COVER DOME PRESSURIZED. NOT ADHERING WILL DO PHYSICAL INTERNALS DAMAGE THAT COULD RENDER THE UNIT INOPERABLE.
2. Inboard Leakage Test.
 - a. Release all loading pressure in cover dome.
 - b. Pressurize inlet to 30 psig with air, GN₂.
 - c. Tube outlet to a beaker of water to observe number of escaping gas bubbles.

Inboard leakage path may be via plug/seat or dynamic side seal.
3. Pressure Containment Test.
 - a. Pressurize inlet to 200 psig and outlet and cover dome to 150 psig with air or GN₂.
 - b. Soap solution test all external leak points; plugged connections, diaphragm flange and diaphragm bolting.
4. Excessive leakage will require disassembly, examination of sealing elements, correction of problem, reassembly and retesting.

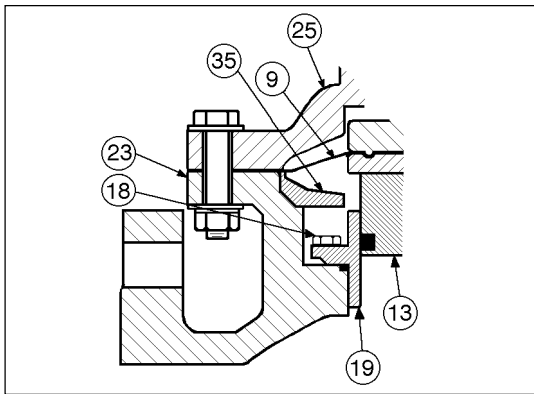


Figure 5: Opt-80 — Composition Diaphragm Construction, 2" and Smaller

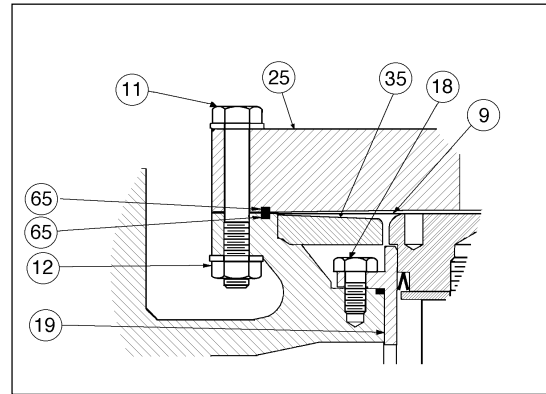


Figure 6: Opt-80 — Metal Diaphragm Construction, 2" and Smaller

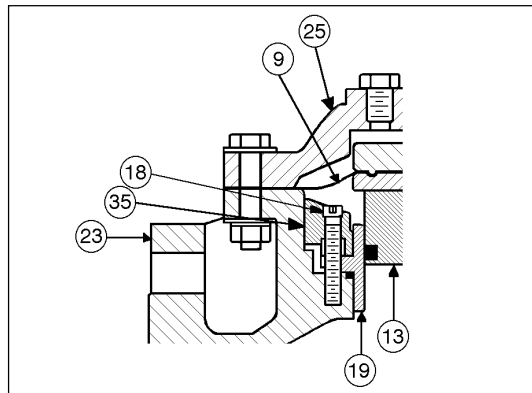


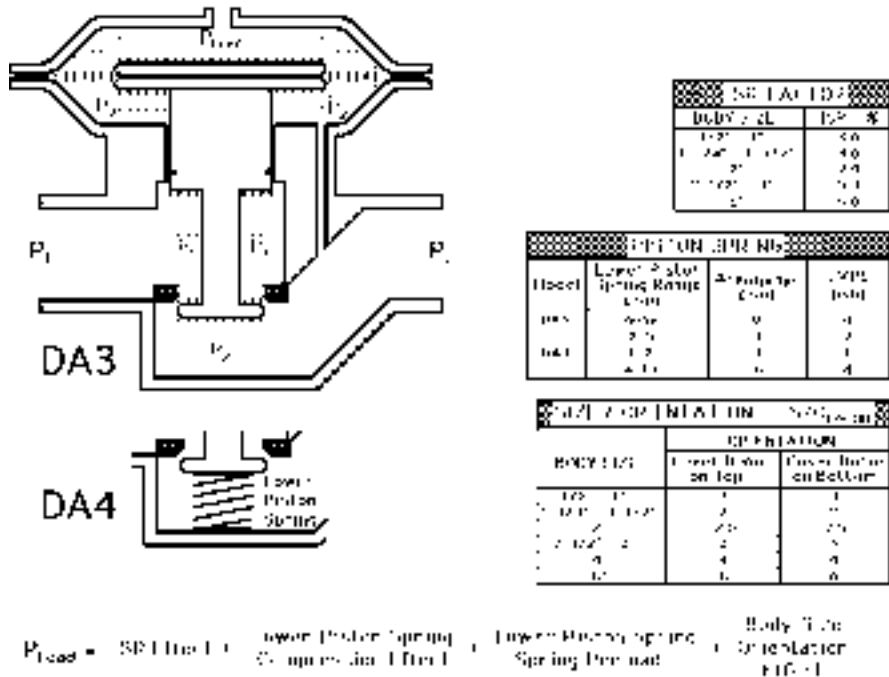
Figure 7: Opt-80 — Composition Diaphragm Construction, 2-1/2"-4"

SECTION VIII

VIII. PRESSURE LOADING

1. Loading pressure can be supplied using various schemes. Please reference DA3/4/P-LOAD-TB for the schematics of these various schemes, including:
 - pressure unloading using BPV
 - pressure loading using PRV
 - pressure loading using pilot
 - pressure loading using I/P transducer
2. A Model DA3 or DA4 exhibits a deviation in outlet controlled pressure when the inlet pressure varies; this "effect" is identified as ISR – Inverse Sympathetic Ratio. Its relative pressure effect can be calculated from following equation.

LOADING PRESSURE FOR KM MODEL DA3 or DA4 → APPLIED PRESSURES



$$P_{load} = P_2 + [ISR \cdot (P_1 - P_2)] + \left[\frac{C_{y} K_{sp} d^3}{C_{v} \pi a^4} \cdot \Delta P_{Preload} \right] + VRP + S/O_{inlet}$$

Figure 8: Loading Pressure Formula

SECTION IX

IX. TROUBLE SHOOTING GUIDE

When trouble shooting this regulator there are many possibilities as to what may be causing problems. Many times, the regulator itself is not defective, but one or more of the accessories may be. Sometimes the process may be causing difficulties.

The key to efficient trouble shooting is information and communication. The customer should try to be as precise as possible in their explanation of the problem, as well as their understanding of the application and operating conditions.

It is imperative the following information be provided by the customer:

- Fluid (with fluid properties)
- Range of flow rate
- Range of inlet pressure
- Range of outlet pressure
- Range of fluid temperature
- Range of ambient temperature

Pressure readings should be taken at every location that pressure plays a role - i.e., regulator inlet (as close as possible to inlet port), regulator outlet (as close as possible to outlet port), etc.

Following are some of the more common complaints along with possible causes and remedies.

1. Erratic regulation, instability or hunting.

Possible Causes	Remedies
A. Sticking of internal parts	A. Remove internals, clean, and if necessary, replace.
B. Load changes are too quick for system	B. Convert to external sensing (if necessary) and install an orifice or needle valve in external sensing line.
C. Oversized regulator	C. Check actual flow conditions; resize regulator for minimum and maximum flow; if necessary, replace with smaller regulator.
D. Too much variation in Inlet Pressure – P1.	D. Consider use of a pilot for closer Outlet Pressure – P2.

2. Erratic regulation, instability or hunting (liquid service).

Possible Causes	Remedies
A. Air trapped under diaphragm	A. Install valve on external sensing port and bleed off air. (Install regulator upside down to help prevent reoccurrence.)

3. Downstream pressure will not reach desired setting.

Possible Causes	Remedies
A. Supply pressure is down (confirm on pressure gauge).	A. Increase supply pressure.
B. Undersized regulator.	B. Check actual flow conditions; resize regulator for minimum and maximum flow; if necessary, replace with larger regulator.
C. Pressure loading system pressure restricted.	C1. Clean restriction or bleed orifices. C2. Clean filter(s). C3. Clean loading pressure control device.
D. Faulty loading pressure control device.	D. Replace/repair loading pressure control device.

4. Diaphragm continually breaks (steam service regulators).

Possible Causes	Remedies
A. Stem seals (14) which protect fluorocarbon elastomer in diaphragm assembly may have deteriorated.	A. Replace with new stem seals (14).
B. Diaphragm nut (7) may not be torqued to proper value.	B. Confirm torque value in accordance with Section VII, paragraph F-7-i.
C. Diaphragm too stiff causing it to crack in service.	C. Follow proper preforming and air evacuation techniques during diaphragm installation in accordance with Section VII, paragraph F-10.

5. Diaphragm continually breaks (all regulators).

Possible Causes	Remedies
A. Differential pressure across diaphragm may have exceeded limits. (See Table 1 in Tech Bulletin DA3/4-TB.)	A1. Be aware of limits as well as where the various pressures are acting. Install pressure safety equipment as necessary. A2. Consider if full diaphragm support, Opt-80, should be added.

6. Leakage at diaphragm flange.

Possible Causes	Remedies
A. Body bolts not torqued properly.	A. Torque to proper value (see Section VII, paragraph F-11).
B. Pressures at diaphragm may be too high for regulator design.	B. Consult factory.

7. Leakage across seat.

Possible Causes	Remedies
A. Contamination (debris) in regulator.	A. Remove internals, clean, and if necessary, replace sealing and seating elements. *
B. Oversized regulator; valve plug operates directly next to seat.	B. Check actual flow conditions; resize regulator for minimum and maximum flow; if necessary, replace with smaller regulator.
* Excess seat leakage may be diagnosed when a failure of the dynamic side seal has occurred. Inspect <u>both</u> potential internal leak paths.	

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SECTION X

X. PARTS ORDERING INFORMATION

There are three methods to obtain parts ordering information/numbers. These methods are listed below, in order of ease of entering. The least expensive method is to utilize parts in kits where possible.

METHOD A - USE OF PRODUCT CODE.

Step 1. If available, obtain the 18 character product code number from:

- a. The Bill of Materials sheet attached herein.
- b. The metal tag attached to the regulator.

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NOTE: Some regulators may not have the product code located on the metal tag.

Step 2. Identify which kits or parts are desired from the following:

- a. The Bill of Materials sheet attached herein, or refer to the cross-sectional drawings.
- b. Standard maintenance parts for a basic regulator (no options) are included in the Parts Kit Number table on Page 7. Kit "A" contains seal(s), diaphragm(s) and gasket(s). Kit "B" contains trim replacement parts plus seal(s), diaphragm(s) and gasket(s).

Step 3. Contact your local KM Sales Representative and specify the product code number along with a description of any parts not included in the kits. Costs of required parts (and kits) can be given by the Sales Representative.

METHOD B - NO PRODUCT CODE AVAILABLE - DISASSEMBLED REGULATOR.

Step 1. Determine all available information from regulator's metal tag.

- a. Serial number (5-digit).
- b. Regulator "Type" or "Model" number.
- c. Size (may have to observe body tap).

d. Spring range.

e. Trim designation number (if available).

Step 2. Determine construction of trim.

- a. What is fluid?
- b. Metal or composition (soft) seat?
- c. Is 316 SST needed over standard 17-4 PH SST?
- d. What material are the diaphragms?
- e. What material are the gaskets/seals? (Our standard non-asbestos is light gray in color, asbestos is a very dark gray, and TFE is white.)
- f. What material is the seat?

Step 3. With the information from Steps 1 and 2 above, contact your local KM Sales Representative for the proper identification numbers to use, and the parts costs.

METHOD C - NO PRODUCT CODE AVAILABLE - ASSEMBLED REGULATOR IN SERVICE.

Step 1. Determine all available information from metal tag using Step 1, Method B.

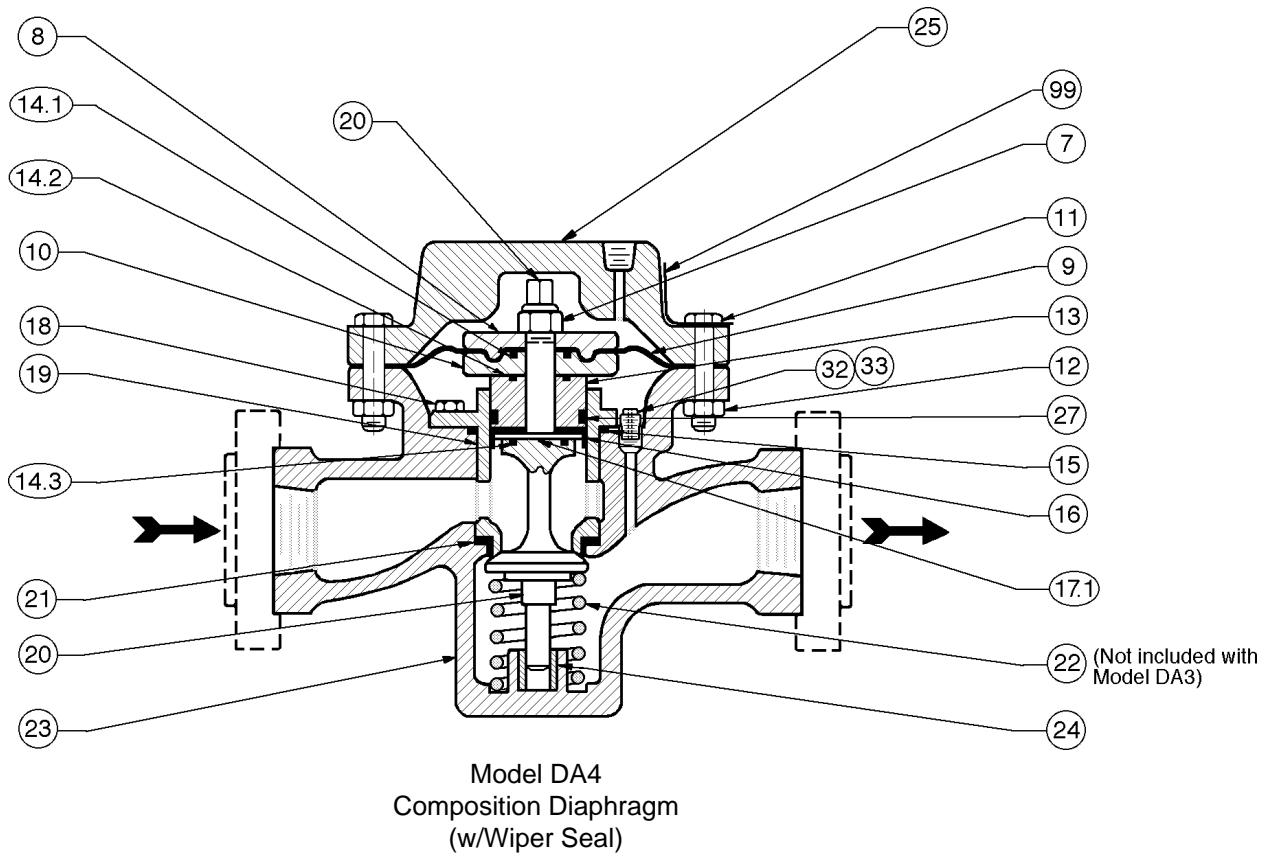
Step 2. Contact your local KM Sales Rep with the above information.

Step 3. Sales Representative will contact the factory to determine the original internal construction. Factory will relay information to the Sales Representative.

Step 4. Await the Sales Representative's return contact with the proper part numbers and cost.

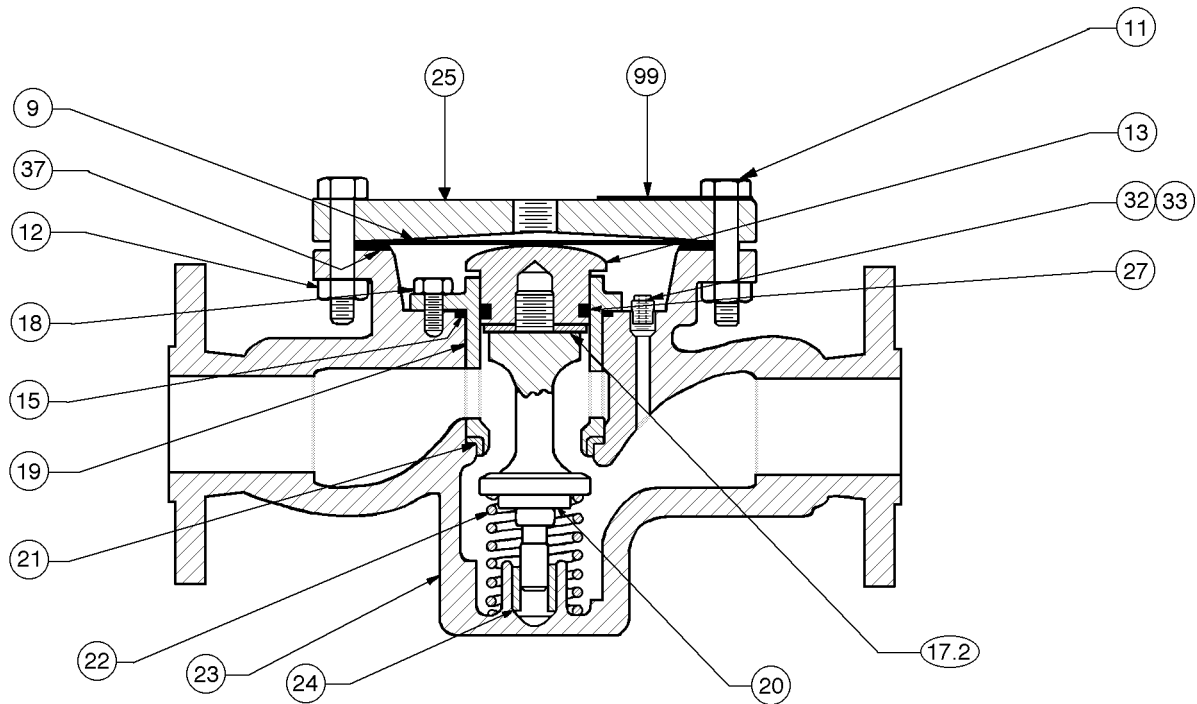
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Item No.	Description	Item No.	Description
7	Diaphragm Lock Nut	20	Valve Plug
8	Upper Diaphragm Pressure Plate	21	Seat Ring
9	Diaphragm	22	Lower Piston Spring (if supplied)
9.1	Diaphragm (Material #1)	23	Body
9.2	Diaphragm (Material #2)	24	Lower Guide Bushing
9.9	Diaphragm TFE Cover	25	Cover Dome
10	Lower Diaphragm Pusher Plate	26	Tap Plug (Not Shown)
11	Flange Bolts	* 27	Dynamic Side Seal
12	Flange Bolt Nuts	27.1	TFE Cap Seal
13	Piston-Guide Bearing	27.2	O-ring Energizer/Seal
14	Stem Seals	27.3	U-cup with Metal Energizer
14.1	Upper Stem Seal	27.4	O-ring Seal
14.2	Middle Stem Seal	27.5	Piston Ring Seal
14.3	Lower Stem Seal	27.6	Piston Ring Energizer
15	Cage Seal	32	Internal Sensing Drilled Plug (Internal Sensing Only)
16	Wiper Seal	33	Internal Sensing Plug (External Sensing Only)
17.1	Wiper Washer	99	Nameplate
18	Cage Cap Screws		
19	Cage		

* Reference Figure 1 for details of Item #27 - Dynamic Side Seal



Model DA4
Metal Diaphragm
(wo/Wiper Seal)

Item No.	Description	Item No.	Description
9	Diaphragm	25	Cover Dome
11	Flange Bolts	26	Tap Plug (Not Shown)
12	Flange Bolt Nuts	* 27	Dynamic Side Seal
13	Piston-Guide Bearing	27.1	TFE Cap Seal
15	Cage Seal	27.2	O-ring Energizer/Seal
17.2	Camber Adjusting Washer	27.3	U-cup with Metal Energizer
18	Cage Cap Screws	27.4	O-ring Seal
19	Cage	27.5	Piston Ring Seal
20	Valve Plug	27.6	Piston Ring Energizer
21	Seat Ring	32	Internal Sensing Drilled Plug (Internal Sensing Only)
22	Lower Piston Spring	33	Internal Sensing Plug (External Sensing Only)
23	Body	37	Diaphragm Gasket
24	Lower Guide Bushing	99	Nameplate

* Reference Figure 1 for details of Item #27 - Dynamic Side Seal