APPLICATION

The VB2 Two-Way and the VB3 Three-Way Ball Valve Assemblies, with and without actuators, control hot and chilled water with glycol solutions up to 50% in heating, ventilating, and air conditioning (HVAC) systems for two-position or modulating functions.

These valve assemblies can be ordered with or without factory-mounted non-spring return or spring return direct-coupled actuators (DCA).

FEATURES

All Models
- Sizes from 1/2 in. to 2 in. with internal nominal pipe thread (NPT) connections.
- Equal Percentage flow characteristics.
- Field configurable for normally open or normally closed fail-safe position.
- Removable manual operating handle to control valve during installation or in an event of power failure.
- ANSI Class IV leakage specification (.01% of C_v).
- Choice of four actuation control schemes: Non-Spring Return Floating, Non-Spring Return Modulating, Spring Return 24V 2-Position, Spring Return Modulating/Floating.
- The bracket design allows the actuator to be mounted on the valve in any of four positions.

VB2 (Two Way)
- Wide C_v choices from 0.38 to 71.1.
- Valve ball and stem are either nickel plated brass or 316 stainless steel.

VB3 (Three Way)
- Wide C_v choices from 1.0 to 56.7.
- Valve installs in a “tee” pattern, no extra elbows or piping required.
- Valve ball and stem are nickel plated brass.
SPECIFICATIONS

Models: See Table 1.

Dimensions: See Fig. 1 and 2.

Body Style: Two-way Ball Valve, full or reduced port using an insert. Internal NPT connections.

Body Size: 1/2 in. to 2 in. NPT.

Capacity: See Tables 2 and 3.

Body Pressure Rating (maximum): 360 psi (2482 kPa) at 250°F (121°C).

Controlled Medium: Water or Glycol solutions up to 50%. Not suitable for combustible gases.

Medium Temperature Range: -22 to +250°F (-30 to +121°C).

Maximum Differential Pressure: See Table 4.

Flow Characteristics:
2-Way: Equal Percentage.
3-Way: Port A to AB: Equal Percentage. Port B to AB: Linear.

Materials:
Body: Forged Brass (ASTM B283).
Flow Optimizer: NORYL™.
Ball and Stem:
2-Way: Nickel Plated Brass or 316 Stainless Steel.
3-Way: Nickel Plated Brass.
Stem Seals: EPDM O-Rings.
Ball Seals: Reinforced Teflon Seals with EPDM O-Rings.

Approvals:
Valves: ANSI Class IV closeoff/leakage.
Actuators: See literature for the given actuator.

Accessories:
1118-34 Wing Nut for Actuator Retaining Clip.
1198-97 Screw for Handle.
1198-119 Screw for Actuator Retaining Clip.
9656-54 Handle.
9656-56 Actuator Retaining Clip for standard operation.
9656-184 Actuator Retaining Clip for fail-safe operation.

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Table 2. Two-Way \( C_v \) Values.

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Table 3. Three-Way \( C_v \) Values.

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Table 4. Closeoff, Differential Pressure Ratings.

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NOTE: Closeoff pressures measured using a 35 lb-in. actuator.

Application Notes

Flow Characteristics

The VB2 Two-Way Ball Valves have:
— an equal percentage flow characteristic.

The VB3 Three-Way Ball Valves have:
— between ports A and AB: an equal percentage flow characteristic.
— between ports B and AB: a linear flow characteristic.

Required Torque

Both Honeywell non-spring return and spring return low-torque direct coupled actuators can be utilized with the VB2 and VB3 valves. A 35 lb-in. DCA provides sufficient torque to close the valve at rated closeoff. (See Table 4.)
Fig. 1. VB2 dimensions in inches.

Fig. 2. VB3 dimensions in inches.
INSTALLATION

When Installing this Product...
1. Read these instructions carefully. Failure to follow them could damage the product or cause a hazardous condition.
2. Check ratings given in instructions and on the product to ensure the product is suitable for your application.
3. Installer must be a trained, experienced service technician.
4. After installation is complete, check out product operation as provided in these instructions.

Preparation

⚠️ CAUTION
Equipment Damage Hazard.
Foreign particles like dirt and metal chips can damage the ball seals.
Clean upstream lines prior to installation.

⚠️ CAUTION
Equipment Damage Hazard.
Improper chemicals can damage the valve.
Use neither aerosol products nor petroleum-based lubricants.

1. Clean the lines upstream of particles larger than 1/16 in. diameter (welding slag, pipe scale and other contaminants).
2. Proceed with installation once the system specifics (expansion/contraction of the system and its medium as well as operating pressures) are within tolerances.
3. Eliminate air from system.
4. Two-way valves are marked to show flow direction.

IMPORTANT
Flow arrows must point in the direction of the flow for proper operation.

NOTE: For three-way valve mounting, see Fig. 3 through 5.

5. Stem rotation:
   a. For two-way valves:
      (1) Clockwise to close.
      (2) Counterclockwise to open.
   b. For three-way valves:
      (1) Clockwise to increase B to AB flow.
      (2) Counterclockwise to increase A to AB flow.
6. Valve must be mounted with the actuator/bracket above the valve body. Do not install the valve with the stem below horizontal or upside down. (See Fig. 6 and 7.)
Fig. 6. Vertical valve installation.

Fig. 7. Acceptable valve angle from vertical.

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<td>Handle (removable) for manually rotating shaft</td>
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<td>Screws (2)</td>
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<td>Stem assembly cover</td>
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<td>D</td>
<td>Stem assembly</td>
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<td>E</td>
<td>Screws (2)</td>
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<td>Hold-down ring (to attach mounting plate to valve)</td>
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<td>G</td>
<td>Bolt</td>
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<td>Anti-rotation bracket</td>
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<td>Mounting plate</td>
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<td>J</td>
<td>Wing nut</td>
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<td>K</td>
<td>Valve body</td>
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Fig. 8. Valve assembly exploded view.
Mechanical Installation

The valves are tapped in NPT and should be sealed with an approved pipe sealant. Torque should not exceed 75 ft-lb.

See Fig. 1 and 2 for valve dimensions. Refer to actuator literature for actuator dimensions.

Mounting Plate Adjustment

The Actuator Mounting Plate can be rotated to a different position for installation in confined spaces. This is accomplished as follows:

1. Remove the handle from the shaft and set it aside.
2. Remove the two screws that hold the stem assembly to the mounting plate and set them aside.
3. Remove and set aside the stem assembly.
4. Remove and set aside the two screws that attach the mounting plate to the valve.
5. Remove and set aside hold-down ring from mounting plate.
6. Rotate mounting plate around valve top to the desired position.

NOTE: Take note of the screw hole positions on the valve. They limit the mounting plate positions.

7. Lower ring down to valve body and engage it in the new position relative to the mounting plate.
8. Tighten screws to valve body securing the mounting plate.
9. Reattach the stem assembly to the mounting plate.
10. If desired, replace the handle on the shaft.

NOTE: See Fig. 8 for valve exploded view.

Electrical Installation

1. If necessary, remove actuator wiring cover.
2. Wire the actuator according to the appropriate diagram.
3. If applicable, position reverse/direct acting switch for desired operation.
4. Replace cover.

OPERATION AND CHECKOUT

Once both the mechanical and electrical installations are complete:

1. Cycle the actuator to verify that the direction of rotation suits the control sequence.
2. If the rotation direction is incorrect:
   a. For 2-position control actuators: Remount actuator on the bracket.
   b. For floating control actuators: Reverse two control signal wires (CW/CCW).
   c. For analog control actuators either:
      (1) Reposition reverse/direct acting switch, or
      (2) Remount actuator on the bracket.
3. If the control scheme requires fail-safe operation, ensure that, upon removal of power, the fail position coincides with the control sequence.
4. If the fail-safe position is incorrect, adjust the actuator to fail in the correct position. (See actuator instructions for details.)

For detailed actuator information, see Honeywell forms:
— 63-2209 ML6161,ML7161 Product Data Sheet
— 63-2607 S05,S10,S20 Series Actuator Product Data Sheet
## TYPICAL SPECIFICATIONS

### Ball Valve
Valve housing shall consist of forged brass rated at no less than 360 psi at 250°F. Standard valve ball shall consist of chemically nickel-plated brass. Manufacturer shall be able to provide optional 316 stainless steel ball and stem for two-way valves. Valve shall have a blow-out proof stem with two EPDM O-rings with minimum 600 psi rating. Manufacturer shall be able to provide glass-filled polymer ball insert to make flow control equal percentage. Valves shall be Honeywell. Two-way valves shall have EPDM O-rings behind ball seals to allow for a minimum closeoff pressure of 100 psi with actuator which provides 35 lb-in. torque for 1/2 in. to 2 in. sizes. Valve shall be available with a minimum of 25 unique Cv values. Valve shall be available with fixed end internal sweat or union end connections. Three-way valves shall be installed in “tee” configuration with actuator perpendicular to shaft. Valve shall not require elbows of any kind. Three-way valves shall have EPDM O-rings behind ball seals to allow for a minimum closeoff pressure of 40 psi with an actuator that provides 35 lb-in. torque for 1/2 in. to 2 in. sizes.

### Valve Actuator
Control valve actuator shall accept analog modulating ([0]-10 Vdc), floating (tri-state), or two-position signal as indicated in the control sequence. Actuators shall be by Honeywell. Actuator shall provide minimum torque required for full valve shutoff position. Wiring terminals shall be provided for installation to control signal and power wiring.

### Accessories
Identification tags shall be available for all valves; tags shall be indelibly marked with Cv, model number, and tag location.