

OPERATION & SAFETY INSTRUCTIONS

STAINLESS STEEL AIR FLOW AMPLIFIERS

Models 901XSS, 902XSS, 903XSS (includes BSP versions of all models)



IMPORTANT

Please read all instructions BEFORE attempting to use this product



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GENERAL SAFETY CONSIDERATIONS

WARNING: COMPRESSED AIR COULD CAUSE DEATH, BLINDNESS OR INJURY

1. Do not operate Stainless Steel Air Flow Amplifiers at air pressures above 150 psig (10.3 Bar).
2. Do not operate Stainless Steel Air Flow Amplifiers at line temperatures above 400°F (205°C) without removing internal O-Ring. Once O-ring is removed, operation up to 800°F (427°C) is permitted. Any resulting air leak is minimal and will not noticeably affect the performance.
3. Avoid direct contact with compressed air.
4. Do not direct compressed air at any person.
5. When using compressed air, wear safety glasses with side shields.

NOTE: There is no need to limit compressed air pressure to a maximum of 30 psig (2 bar). It is not possible to block the flow of air from the airflow amplifier to register 30 psig (2 bar) on a test gauge.

Introduction

A stainless steel Air Flow Amplifier uses a small amount of compressed air to move a much larger air volume. Amplification ratios may meet or exceed 19:1. The output air volume can be easily adjusted (see the Operation section).

Compressed Air Supply

The compressed air supply must be filtered to remove water and dirt using a 5 micron or smaller filter. Failure to use a filter may cause clogging of the compressed air paths inside the Vortec product. Filter recommendations are given in Table 1.

Filter elements must be changed on a regular basis. Frequency of change is determined by the condition of the compressed air supply. Filters should be installed in the compressed air supply line as close as possible to the Vortec product.

The appropriate size of compressed air supply line should be selected to ensure optimal performance of the Vortec product. Please refer to Table 2 to determine what supply line size is recommended for your application.

Contact Vortec at 1-800-441-7475 for further assistance.

Installation

Air Flow Amplifiers can be installed by directly plumbing to the appropriately-sized hard piped compressed air source that does not exceed 150 psig (10.3 Bar). See Table 2.

When the Air Flow Amplifier is to be used in the ducted applications for fume or smoke removal, the duct should be sized to provide a flow resistance of less than 2 inches of water column. Ducting resistance can be minimized by using large diameter ducts for long runs, avoiding restrictions and making large radius bends. Ducting resistance can reduce the Air Flow Amplifier's discharge airflow, substantially affecting product performance.

Operation

In order to vary the volume of airflow from the Air Flow Amplifier, an appropriately-sized pressure regulator can be used to control the compressed air pressure, (less pressure = less airflow).

The output airflow volume can also be adjusted by varying the internal air gap. This is accomplished by loosening the knurled locking collar and rotating the outlet barrel counter clockwise to increase airflow, clockwise to decrease airflow).

Maintenance

To verify filter element changing frequency, inspect the inside of the Air Flow Amplifier periodically (6 months or less).

1. Unscrew the knurled locking collar.
2. Unscrew the two body components.
3. If dirt is observed, clean all parts and shorten the filter element changing frequency.
4. Reassemble, setting the gap between the two body components to give required performance. If in doubt, set gap at 0.002" (0.05mm).
5. Markings from 0 to 10 on the unit indicate the gap size (Example: 4 = 0.004").
6. Reassemble knurled locking collar onto the two body components.

Troubleshooting

Insufficient airflow may be caused by the following:

1. Undersized compressed air line size.
2. Compressed air pressure too low.
3. Partial or complete blockage of internal compressed air path, due to dirt. See Maintenance section for cleaning instructions; and Compressed Air Supply section for filter recommendations.
4. Insufficient compressed air volume.

If trouble persists, please contact Vortec at 1-800-441-7475.

Limited Warranty

Vortec compressed air products manufactured by ITW Air Management will be replaced or repaired if found to be defective due to manufacture defect within ten years from the date of invoice.

Refer to our website www.vortec.com for full warranty details and limitations. ITW Air Management makes no specific warranty merchantability or warrant of fitness to a particular purpose.

Stainless Steel Air Flow Amplifier Assembly

(Drawings shown below are not to scale)

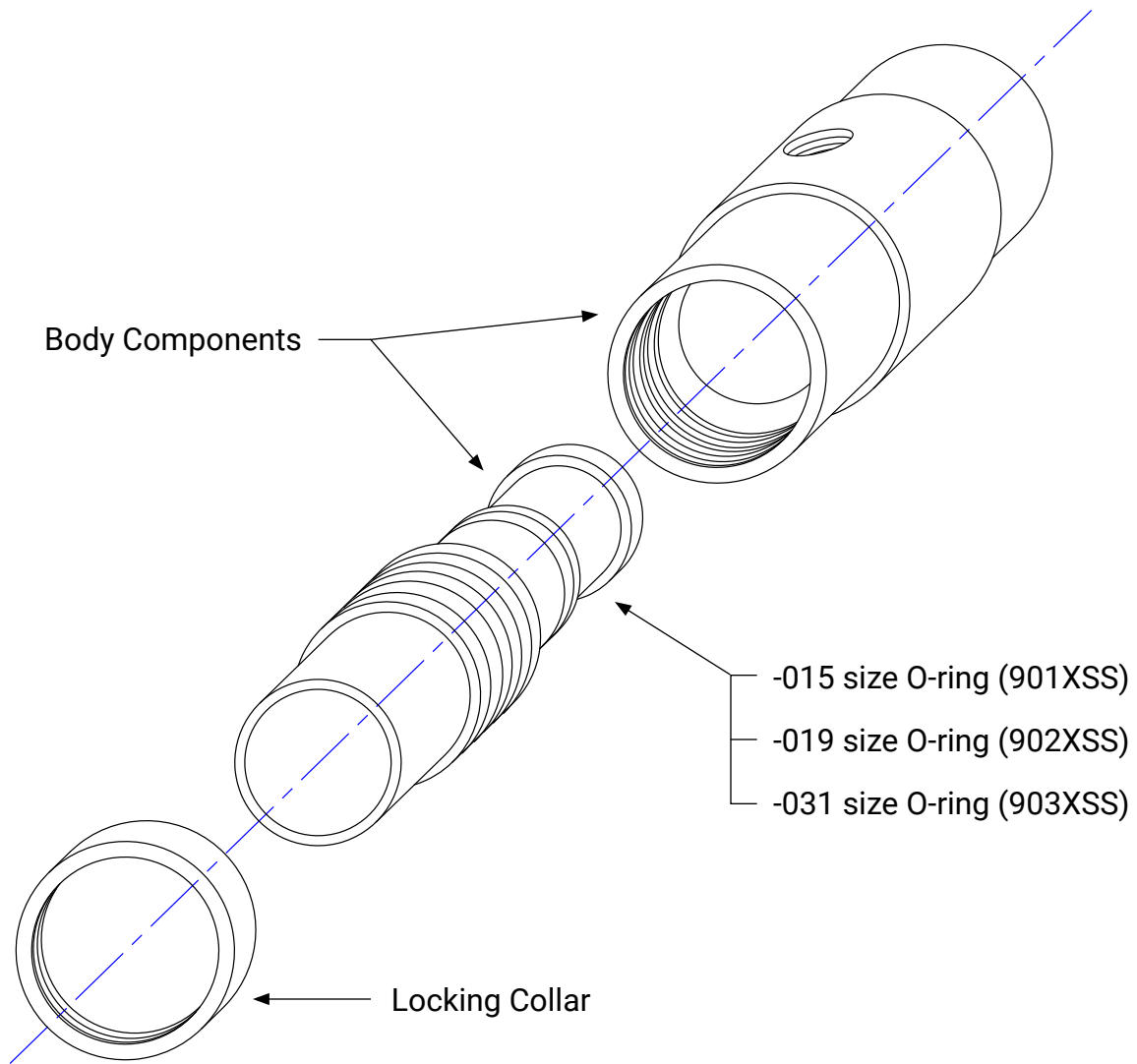


Table 1: Filter Recommendations

| FILTER AND REPLACEMENT PART ITEM NUMBERS | | | | | |
|--|---------------------|--------------------|-------------------------|------------------------|------------------------------------|
| Vortec Model | 5 micron Air Filter | Oil Removal Filter | Dual Outlet Flex Nozzle | Magnetic Mounting Base | Replacement Generator Kits (5 pcs) |
| 609, 609-1 | 701S-24A | 701S-48 | 610-30 | 610-26 | 208GK-15H |

Table 2: Determining Compressed Air Line Size

1. Calculate total product compressed air consumption (SCFM, SLPM).
2. Determine length of compressed air line required for connection to main supply.
3. Locate pipe length in left column and read to the right to find the compressed air requirements.
4. Locate pipe size at top of column.

| MAXIMUM AIRFLOW (SCFM) THROUGH PIPE AT 5 PSIG PRESSURE DROP (100 PSIG AND 70°F) | | | | | | | | | |
|---|-----------------------------------|-----|-----|-----|-----|-------|-------|------|-------|
| Pipe Length (Feet) | Pipe Size (Nominal) - Schedule 40 | | | | | | | | |
| | 1/4 | 3/8 | 1/2 | 3/4 | 1 | 1-1/4 | 1-1/2 | 2 | 2-1/2 |
| 10 | 29 | 65 | 120 | 254 | 480 | 978 | 1483 | 2863 | 4536 |
| 20 | 21 | 46 | 85 | 180 | 340 | 692 | 1049 | 2024 | 3208 |
| 30 | 17 | 37 | 70 | 147 | 277 | 565 | 856 | 1653 | 2619 |
| 40 | 15 | 32 | 60 | 127 | 240 | 489 | 792 | 1431 | 2268 |
| 50 | 13 | 29 | 54 | 114 | 215 | 437 | 663 | 1280 | 2029 |
| 60 | 12 | 26 | 49 | 104 | 196 | 399 | 606 | 1169 | 1852 |
| 70 | 11 | 25 | 46 | 96 | 181 | 370 | 561 | 1082 | 1715 |
| 80 | 10 | 23 | 43 | 90 | 170 | 346 | 524 | 1012 | 1604 |
| 90 | 10 | 22 | 40 | 85 | 160 | 326 | 494 | 954 | 1512 |
| 100 | 9 | 21 | 38 | 80 | 152 | 309 | 469 | 905 | 1435 |

| MAXIMUM AIRFLOW (SLPM) THROUGH PIPE AT 0.3 BAR PRESSURE DROP (6.9 BAR AND 21°C) | | | | | | | | | |
|---|-----------------------------------|------|------|------|-------|-------|-------|-------|--------|
| Pipe Length (Meters) | Pipe Size (Nominal) - Schedule 40 | | | | | | | | |
| | 1/4 | 3/8 | 1/2 | 3/4 | 1 | 1-1/4 | 1-1/2 | 2 | 2-1/2 |
| 3 | 821 | 1840 | 3396 | 7188 | 13584 | 27677 | 42117 | 81023 | 128369 |
| 6 | 594 | 1302 | 2406 | 5094 | 9622 | 19584 | 29687 | 57279 | 90786 |
| 9 | 481 | 1047 | 1981 | 4160 | 7839 | 15990 | 24225 | 46780 | 74188 |
| 12 | 425 | 906 | 1698 | 3594 | 6792 | 13839 | 20999 | 40497 | 64184 |
| 15 | 368 | 821 | 1528 | 3226 | 6085 | 12367 | 18763 | 36224 | 57421 |
| 18 | 340 | 736 | 1387 | 2943 | 5547 | 11292 | 17150 | 33083 | 52412 |
| 21 | 311 | 708 | 1302 | 2717 | 5122 | 10471 | 15877 | 30621 | 48535 |
| 24 | 283 | 651 | 1217 | 2547 | 4811 | 9792 | 14829 | 28640 | 45393 |
| 27 | 269 | 623 | 1132 | 2406 | 4528 | 9226 | 13980 | 26998 | 42790 |
| 31 | 255 | 594 | 1075 | 2264 | 4302 | 8745 | 13273 | 25612 | 40611 |

Rubber hose maximum airflow rating: 1/2" I.D. rubber hose = 3/8" pipe; 3/4" I.D. rubber hose = 1/2" pipe