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Model: VAL09029 | Brand: Trane

1. PRODUCT OVERVIEW

This manual provides essential information for the installation, operation, and maintenance of the Trane VAL09029 J-Series Gas Valve. This component is an American Standard / Trane OEM (Original Equipment Manufacturer) ServiceFirst replacement part designed for specific furnace models.

Key features of the VAL09029 J-Series Gas Valve include:

- "J" Series Valve design.
- 1/2"-14 NPT inlet and outlet connections.
- Operates on 24V, 50/60 HZ.
- Slow opening mechanism.



This gas valve replaces several older models, including VAL4854, VAL04854, VAL6968, VAL06968, VAL-9029, VAL9029, VAL07732, and VAL7732. It is commonly found in various American Standard and Trane furnace models, such as ADC, ADD, and AUD series.

2. SAFETY INFORMATION

WARNING: Installation and service of this gas valve must be performed by a qualified service technician. Improper installation, adjustment, alteration, service, or maintenance can cause property damage, personal injury, or loss of life. Read and understand all instructions before proceeding.

- Always shut off the main gas supply and electrical power to the furnace before attempting any installation or service.
- Verify all gas connections for leaks after installation using a suitable leak detection solution.
- Ensure proper ventilation during and after installation.
- Do not bypass any safety devices.

3. SETUP AND INSTALLATION

This section outlines the general steps for installing the VAL09029 J-Series Gas Valve. Refer to your specific furnace model's service manual for detailed instructions and diagrams.

3.1 Pre-Installation Checks

1. Confirm that the new gas valve (VAL09029) is the correct replacement for your furnace model. Check the furnace's serial number and model number against the compatibility list.
2. Gather all necessary tools, including wrenches, pipe sealant (suitable for gas lines), and a multimeter.
3. Ensure the main gas supply valve to the furnace is closed and the electrical power to the furnace is disconnected at the circuit breaker.

3.2 Removal of Old Gas Valve

1. Carefully disconnect the electrical wiring from the existing gas valve. Note the position of each wire for correct re-connection.
2. Using appropriate wrenches, disconnect the gas supply piping from both the inlet and outlet of the old gas valve. Be prepared for residual gas in the lines.
3. Remove any mounting screws or brackets securing the old gas valve to the furnace.
4. Carefully remove the old gas valve from the furnace.

3.3 Installation of New Gas Valve

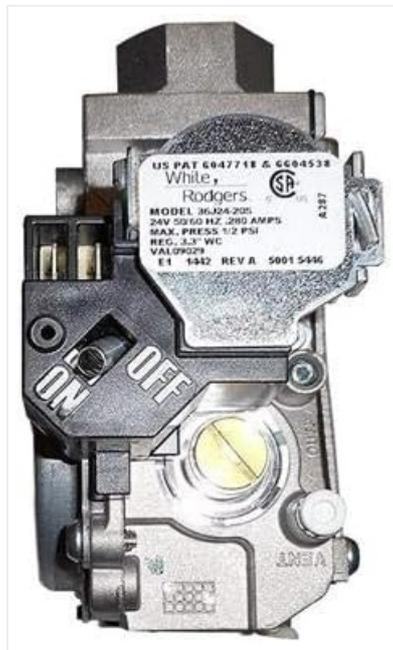


Figure 2: Front view of the Trane VAL09029 J-Series Gas Valve. This image highlights the "ON" and "OFF" switch, electrical connections, and gas inlet/outlet ports.

1. Apply a suitable pipe sealant to the threads of the gas piping connections. Ensure the sealant is rated for natural gas or propane, as applicable.
2. Carefully thread the new VAL09029 gas valve onto the gas supply piping. Ensure the inlet and outlet connections (1/2"-14 NPT) are correctly aligned.
3. Tighten all gas connections securely, but do not overtighten.
4. Mount the new gas valve to the furnace using the appropriate screws or brackets.
5. Reconnect the electrical wiring to the new gas valve, ensuring each wire is connected to its correct terminal as noted during removal. The valve operates on 24V.

3.4 Post-Installation Checks

1. Slowly open the main gas supply valve to the furnace.
2. Apply a leak detection solution (e.g., soapy water) to all gas connections. Look for bubbles, which indicate a leak. If leaks are detected, immediately shut off the gas supply and tighten the connections until no leaks are present.
3. Restore electrical power to the furnace.
4. Initiate a call for heat to test the furnace operation and verify the gas valve functions correctly. Observe the ignition sequence and burner flame.



Figure 3: Angled view of the Trane VAL09029 J-Series Gas Valve. This perspective shows the overall compact design and various connection points.

4. OPERATION

The Trane VAL09029 J-Series Gas Valve is an automatic component within your furnace's heating system. Its primary function is to control the flow of gas to the main burners based on signals from the furnace's control board.

4.1 Normal Operation Sequence

1. When the thermostat calls for heat, the furnace control board initiates the heating cycle.
2. The inducer motor starts, creating a draft.
3. The pressure switch closes, signaling the control board.
4. The igniter (hot surface igniter or pilot) is energized.
5. Once the igniter is hot or the pilot is established, the control board sends a 24V signal to the VAL09029 gas valve.
6. The gas valve, being a "slow opening" type, gradually opens to allow gas to flow to the main burners. This slow opening helps ensure a smooth and safe ignition.
7. The gas ignites, and the flame sensor confirms the presence of a flame.
8. The furnace continues to operate until the thermostat's set temperature is reached.
9. When the call for heat ends, the gas valve closes, shutting off the gas supply to the burners.

4.2 Manual Gas Shut-off

The gas valve features a manual ON/OFF switch. In case of emergency or for servicing, this switch can be used to manually shut off the gas flow to the burners. Ensure the switch is in the "OFF" position to stop gas flow.

5. MAINTENANCE

The Trane VAL09029 J-Series Gas Valve is designed for reliable operation and generally requires minimal maintenance. However, periodic inspection by a qualified technician is recommended as part of routine furnace servicing.

- **Annual Inspection:** During your furnace's annual professional inspection, the technician should check the gas valve for any signs of wear, corrosion, or gas leaks.
- **Electrical Connections:** Ensure all electrical connections to the gas valve are secure and free from corrosion.
- **Gas Pressure:** A qualified technician can verify the gas pressure settings (manifold pressure) to ensure they are within the manufacturer's specifications for your furnace.
- **Cleaning:** Keep the area around the gas valve clean and free from dust or debris that could obstruct its operation or ventilation.

Do not attempt to disassemble or repair the gas valve yourself. If a malfunction is suspected, contact a qualified HVAC technician.

6. TROUBLESHOOTING

This section provides general troubleshooting tips for common issues related to gas valve operation. Always prioritize safety and consult a qualified technician for complex problems.

Problem	Possible Cause	Solution
Furnace not igniting / No gas flow	Gas valve manual switch is OFF. No 24V power to the gas valve. Main gas supply is off. Faulty gas valve.	Ensure the manual ON/OFF switch on the valve is in the "ON" position. Check electrical connections and furnace control board for 24V output. Verify the main gas supply valve to the furnace is open. Contact a qualified technician for diagnosis and replacement if necessary.
Furnace ignites, then shuts off quickly	Flame sensor issue. Incorrect gas pressure. Ventilation issues.	Clean or replace flame sensor. Have a technician check and adjust gas pressure. Ensure furnace vents are clear.
Gas odor detected	Gas leak at connections or within the valve.	IMMEDIATELY shut off the main gas supply. Open windows and doors for ventilation. Do not operate any electrical switches or appliances. Evacuate the premises and contact your gas utility company and a qualified technician.

Note: Many users have successfully replaced this part, but it requires some technical knowledge. If you are not comfortable working with gas appliances, it is strongly recommended to hire a professional.

7. SPECIFICATIONS

Detailed technical specifications for the Trane VAL09029 J-Series Gas Valve:

Feature	Detail
Model Number	VAL09029
Brand	Trane / American Standard
Valve Series	"J" Series

Voltage	24V
Frequency	50/60 HZ
Inlet Connection Size	1/2 inch
Inlet Connection Type	National Pipe Tapered (NPT)
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Opening Type	Slow Opening
Material	Metal
Exterior Finish	Stainless Steel or Brass or Chrome
Item Weight	13 ounces
Package Dimensions	5.51 x 4.72 x 3.7 inches
Specification Met	ASME B16.34, EPA
Replaces / Supersedes	VAL4854, VAL-4854, VAL04854, VAL6968, VAL-6968, VAL06968, VAL-9029, VAL9029, VAL07732, VAL-7732, VAL7732

8. WARRANTY INFORMATION

Specific warranty details for the Trane VAL09029 J-Series Gas Valve are typically provided by the point of purchase or directly by Trane/American Standard. As an OEM replacement part, its warranty may be subject to the terms and conditions of the original equipment manufacturer or the distributor from whom it was purchased.

Please retain your proof of purchase for any warranty claims. For detailed warranty information, refer to the documentation provided with your furnace or contact Trane/American Standard customer service.

9. CUSTOMER SUPPORT

For technical assistance, installation questions, or troubleshooting beyond the scope of this manual, please contact a qualified HVAC professional or Trane/American Standard customer support.

When contacting support, please have the following information ready:

- Product Model Number: VAL09029
- Furnace Model and Serial Number
- Date of Purchase
- A detailed description of the issue

You can find contact information for Trane/American Standard on their official website or through your local authorized dealer.

