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Introduction

The product covered in this document is no longer in production. This document, which includes the latest published version of the quick start guide, is made available to provide updates of newer safety procedures. Be sure to follow the safety procedures in this supplement as well as the specific instructions in the included quick start guide. For more than 30 years, Fisher products have been manufactured with asbestos-free components. The included quick start guide might mention asbestos-containing parts. Since 1988, any gasket or packing which may have contained some asbestos has been replaced by suitable non-asbestos material. Replacement parts in other materials are available from your sales office.

Safety Instructions

Please read these safety warnings, cautions, and instructions carefully before using the product. These instructions cannot cover every installation and situation. Do not install, operate, or maintain this product without being fully trained and qualified in valve, actuator and accessory installation, operation and maintenance. To avoid personal injury or property damage it is important to carefully read, understand, and follow all of the contents of this manual, including all safety cautions and warnings. If you have any questions about these instructions, contact your Emerson sales office before proceeding.

Specifications

This product was intended for a specific range of service conditions--pressure, pressure drop, process and ambient temperature, temperature variations, process fluid, and possibly other specifications. Do not expose the product to service conditions or variables other than those for which the product was intended. If you are not sure what these conditions or variables are, contact your Emerson sales office for assistance. Provide the product serial number and all other pertinent information that you have available.

Inspection and Maintenance Schedules

All products must be inspected periodically and maintained as needed. The schedule for inspection can only be determined based on the severity of your service conditions. Your installation might also be subject to inspection schedules set by applicable governmental codes and regulations, industry standards, company standards, or plant standards. In order to avoid increasing dust explosion risk, periodically clean dust deposits from all equipment. When equipment is installed in a hazardous area location (potentially explosive atmosphere), prevent sparks by proper tool selection and avoiding other types of impact energy.

Parts Ordering

Whenever ordering parts for older products, always specify the serial number of the product and provide all other pertinent information that you can, such as product size, part material, age of the product, and general service conditions. If you have modified the product since it was originally purchased, include that information with your request.

WARNING

Use only genuine Fisher replacement parts. Components that are not supplied by Emerson should not, under any circumstances, be used in any Fisher product. Use of components not supplied by Emerson may void your warranty, might adversely affect the performance of the product and could result in personal injury and property damage.

Installation

WARNING

Avoid personal injury or property damage from sudden release of process pressure or bursting of parts. Before mounting the product:

- Do not install any system component where service conditions could exceed the limits given in this manual or the limits on the appropriate nameplates. Use pressure-relieving devices as required by the government or accepted industry codes and good engineering practices.
- Always wear protective gloves, clothing, and eyewear when performing any installation operations.
- Do not remove the actuator from the valve while the valve is still pressurized.
- Disconnect any operating lines providing air pressure, electric power, or a control signal to the actuator. Be sure the actuator cannot suddenly open or close the valve.
- Use bypass valves or completely shut off the process to isolate the valve from process pressure. Relieve process pressure from both sides of the valve.
- Vent the pneumatic actuator loading pressure and relieve any actuator spring precompression so the actuator is not applying force to the valve stem; this will allow for the safe removal of the stem connector.
- Use lock-out procedures to be sure that the above measures stay in effect while you work on the equipment.
- The instrument is capable of supplying full supply pressure to connected equipment. To avoid personal injury and equipment damage, caused by the sudden release of process pressure or bursting of parts, make sure the supply pressure never exceeds the maximum safe working pressure of any connected equipment.
- Severe personal injury or property damage may occur from an uncontrolled process if the instrument air supply is not clean, dry and oil-free, or noncorrosive gas. While use and regular maintenance of a filter that removes particles larger than 40 microns will suffice in most applications, check with an Emerson field office and Industry Instrument air quality standards for use with corrosive gas or if you are unsure about the proper amount or method of air filtration or filter maintenance.
- For corrosive media, make sure the tubing and instrument components that contact the corrosive media are of suitable corrosion-resistant material. The use of unsuitable materials might result in personal injury or property damage due to the uncontrolled release of the corrosive media.
- If natural gas or other flammable or hazardous gas is to be used as the supply pressure medium and preventive measures are not taken, personal injury and property damage could result from fire or explosion of accumulated gas or from contact with hazardous gas. Preventive measures may include, but are not limited to: Remote venting of the unit, re-evaluating the hazardous area classification, ensuring adequate ventilation, and the removal of any ignition sources.

- To avoid personal injury or property damage resulting from the sudden release of process pressure, use a high-pressure regulator system when operating the controller or transmitter from a high-pressure source. The instrument or instrument/actuator assembly does not form a gas-tight seal, and when the assembly is in an enclosed area, a remote vent line, adequate ventilation, and necessary safety measures should be used. Vent line piping should comply with local and regional codes and should be as short as possible with the adequate inside diameter and few bends to reduce case pressure buildup. However, a remote vent pipe alone cannot be relied upon to remove all hazardous gas, and leaks may still occur.
- Personal injury or property damage can result from the discharge of static electricity when flammable or hazardous gases are present. Connect a 14 AWG (2.08 mm²) ground strap between the instrument and earth ground when flammable or hazardous gases are present. Refer to national and local codes and standards for grounding requirements.
- Personal injury or property damage caused by fire or explosion may occur if electrical connections are attempted in an area that contains a potentially explosive atmosphere or has been classified as hazardous. Confirm that area classification and atmosphere conditions permit the safe removal of covers before proceeding.
- Personal injury or property damage, caused by fire or explosion from the leakage of flammable or hazardous gas, can result if a suitable conduit seal is not installed. For explosion-proof applications, install the seal no more than 457 mm (18 inches) from the instrument when required by the nameplate. For ATEX applications use the proper cable gland certified to the required category. Equipment must be installed per local and national electric codes.
- Check with your process or safety engineer for any additional measures that must be taken to protect against process media.
- If installing into an existing application, also refer to the WARNING in the Maintenance section.

Special Instructions for Safe Use and Installations in Hazardous Locations

Certain nameplates may carry more than one approval, and each approval may have unique installation requirements and/or conditions of safe use. Special instructions are listed by agency/approval. To get these instructions, contact Emerson's sales office. Read and understand these special conditions of use before installing.

WARNING

Failure to follow conditions of safe use could result in personal injury or property damage from fire or explosion, or area re-classification.

Operation

With instruments, switches, and other accessories that are controlling valves or other final control elements, it is possible to lose control of the final control element when you adjust or calibrate the instrument. If it is necessary to take the instrument out of service for calibration or other adjustments, observe the following warning before proceeding.

WARNING

Avoid personal injury or equipment damage from uncontrolled process. Provide some temporary means of control for the process before taking the instrument out of service.

Maintenance

WARNING

Avoid personal injury or property damage from sudden release of process pressure or bursting of parts. Before performing any maintenance operations on an actuator-mounted instrument or accessory:

- Always wear protective gloves, clothing, and eyewear.
- Provide some temporary measure of control to the process before taking the instrument out of service.
- Provide a means of containing the process fluid before removing any measurement devices from the process.
- Disconnect any operating lines providing air pressure, electric power, or a control signal to the actuator. Be sure the actuator cannot suddenly open or close the valve.
- Use bypass valves or completely shut off the process to isolate the valve from process pressure. Relieve process pressure from both sides of the valve.
- Vent the pneumatic actuator loading pressure and relieve any actuator spring precompression so the actuator is not applying force to the valve stem; this will allow for the safe removal of the stem connector.
- Use lock-out procedures to be sure that the above measures stay in effect while you work on the equipment.
- Check with your process or safety engineer for any additional measures that must be taken to protect against process media.

When using natural gas as the supply medium, or for explosion-proof applications, the following warnings also apply:

- Remove electrical power before removing any housing cover or cap. Personal injury or property damage from fire or explosion may result if power is not disconnected before removing the cover or cap.
- Remove electrical power before disconnecting any of the pneumatic connections.
- When disconnecting any of the pneumatic connections or any pressure retaining part, natural gas will seep from the unit and any connected equipment into the surrounding atmosphere. Personal injury or property damage may result from fire or explosion if natural gas is used as the supply medium and appropriate preventive measures are not taken. Preventive measures may include but are not limited to, one or more of the following: ensuring adequate ventilation and the removal of any ignition sources.
- Ensure that all housing caps and covers are correctly installed before putting this unit back into service. Failure to do so could result in personal injury or property damage from fire or explosion.

Instruments Mounted on Tank or Cage

WARNING

For instruments mounted on a tank or displacer cage, release trapped pressure from the tank and lower the liquid level to a point below the connection. This precaution is necessary to avoid personal injury from contact with the process fluid.

Instruments With a Hollow Displacer or Float

WARNING

For instruments with a hollow liquid level displacer, the displacer might retain process fluid or pressure. Personal injury and property might result from sudden release of this pressure or fluid. Contact with hazardous fluid, fire, or explosion can be caused by puncturing, heating, or repairing a displacer that is retaining process pressure or fluid. This danger may not be readily apparent when disassembling the sensor or removing the displacer. A displacer that has been penetrated by process pressure or fluid might contain:

- pressure as a result of being in a pressurized vessel

- liquid that becomes pressurized due to a change in temperature
- liquid that is flammable, hazardous or corrosive.

Handle the displacer with care. Consider the characteristics of the specific process liquid in use. Before removing the displacer, observe the appropriate warnings provided in the sensor instruction manual.

Non-Fisher (OEM) Instruments, Switches, and Accessories


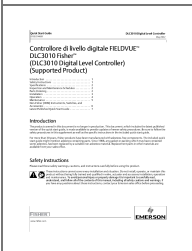

Installation, Operation, and Maintenance

Refer to the original manufacturer’s documentation for Installation, Operation, and Maintenance safety information.

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