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**78 Model**

Air Filter Regulator

Instruction Manual (Rev. E)
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DANGER
Indicates a potentially hazardous situation which, if not avoided, could result in death or serious injury.

WARNING
Indicates a potentially hazardous situation which, if not avoided, could result in serious injury.

CAUTION
Indicates a potentially hazardous situation which, if not avoided, could result in minor or moderate injury.

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Note: Prior to installation

- The instrument must be installed, put into service and maintained by qualified and competent professionals who have undergone suitable training.
- All surrounding pipe lines must be thoroughly flushed to ensure all entrained debris has been removed from the system.
- Under certain operating conditions, the use of damaged equipment could cause a degradation of the performance of the system which may lead to personal injury or death.
- Changes to specifications, structure, and components used may not lead to the revision of this manual unless such changes affect the function and performance of the product.
Model 78 Air Filter Regulators

**Product Description**

The Model 78 Series pressure regulators are compact, lightweight, high-performance pressure reducing instruments. They are used primarily for supplying a stable source of air to process control equipment such as current to pneumatic transducers and control valve positioners.

**Numbering System**

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<th>Model No.</th>
<th>Pressure Range</th>
<th>Description</th>
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<td>78-4</td>
<td>5-40 psi (35-280 kPa), (0.35-2.8 bar)</td>
<td>Air Loading with Relief and Filter</td>
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<td>5-100 psi (35-700 kPa), (0.35-7 bar)</td>
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**Specifications**

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<tr>
<td>Inlet Pressure Rating</td>
<td>210 psi (1.5 MPa, 15 bar) maximum</td>
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<tr>
<td>Pressure Set Range</td>
<td>5-40 psi (35-280 kPa, 0.35-2.8 bar)5-100 psi (35-700 kPa, 0.35-7 bar)</td>
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<tr>
<td>Connection</td>
<td>1/4 NPT</td>
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<td>Rated Cv</td>
<td>0.25</td>
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<tr>
<td>Filter Element</td>
<td>Sintered Porous Polyethylene (5μ)</td>
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<tr>
<td>Ambient Temperature Range</td>
<td>-40° to +83°C (-40° to +182°F)</td>
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<tr>
<td>Air Consumption</td>
<td>0.004 scfm (100 sccm)</td>
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<tr>
<td>Weight</td>
<td>14 oz. (0.4 kg)</td>
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**Operation**

Prior to applying supply pressure, loosen knob lock screw and turn pressure set knob counterclockwise. Turn on supply pressure. Output pressure should be zero. Slowly rotate set knob clockwise until desired pressure is reached. Tighten knob locking screw to ensure that pressure remains set at desired value. When changing output from a higher to lower pressure, initially go to lower than desired pressure, then increase to desired pressure. Re-tighten knob lock-screw.

**Maintenance**

It is recommended that the drain cock be opened at regular intervals to drain any fluid that may have collected in the dripwell. The interval between draining will have to be determined based on the actual rate of accumulation of fluid.

It is recommended that pressure gauges be installed on the inlet and outlet sides of the regulator as an aid in adjusting the pressure and in monitoring of working pressures.

**WARNING**

The relief valve feature should not be confused with any auxiliary safety valve which might be needed for complete protection of air operated equipment. It is intended only to provide more uniform controlled pressure and to permit adjusting the outlet pressure downward without venting the line.

**WARNING**

Prior to performing maintenance on the regulator, shut off the inlet and outlet pressures and remove the spring compression by turning the setting knob fully counterclockwise. Open the drain cock carefully to relieve any retained pressure and drain the dripwell. It is recommended that the regulator be removed from the line for repairs.

**CAUTION**

When draining the dripwell, open the drain cock slowly and collect the fluid in a suitable container for safe disposal.

**Note:**

- Considering the high labor costs involved in replacing internal parts, it may be more economical to stock complete units.
- Care must be taken to avoid damage to the plug and stem assembly.

**WARNING**

Do not install this Regulator in air lines which exceed 210 psi (1.5 MPa, 15 bar) pressure.

**Installation**

Clean the lines thoroughly to remove all dirt, scale or other foreign matter before installing the regulator. Install with flow in direction of flow arrows on regulator body. The airset should be installed with the drain cock facing down. Regulator should be installed as close as possible to device utilizing the reduced pressure to minimize pressure drop. Do not use piping or tubing smaller than the regulator connections since this will restrict flow and reduce capacity.

It is recommended that pressure gauges be installed on the inlet and outlet sides of the regulator as an aid in adjusting the pressure and in monitoring of working pressures.
### Troubleshooting

If at any time the regulator fails to function properly it is recommended to replace rather than repair the device.

### Parts List and Materials of Construction

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<td>Spring Casing</td>
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<td>3</td>
<td>Bottom Cap</td>
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<td>4</td>
<td>Knob</td>
<td>VALOX 420</td>
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<tr>
<td>5</td>
<td>Lock Screw</td>
<td>Stainless Steel</td>
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<td>6</td>
<td>Adjusting Screw</td>
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<td>7</td>
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<td>8</td>
<td>Spring Button</td>
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