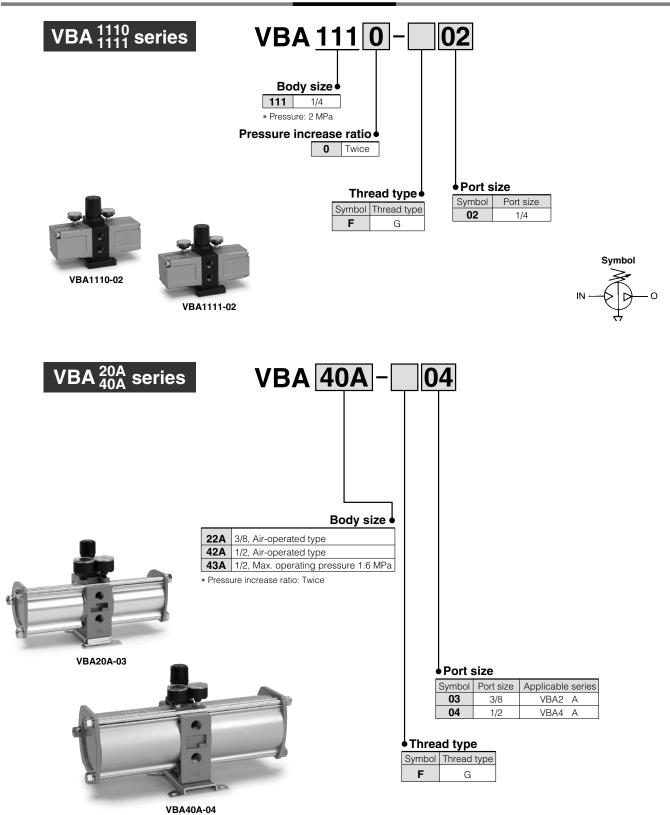
Booster Regulator Series VBA

How to Order



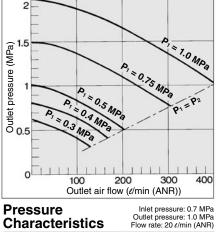
Standard Specifications

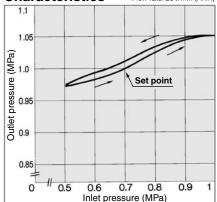
Model	VBA1110-02	VBA20A-03	VBA40A-04	VBA22A-03	VBA42A-04	VBA1111-02	VBA43A-04
Fluid				Compressed air		•	
Pressure increase ratio			Twice			Twice to 4 times	Twice
Pressure adjustment mechanism	Handle-opera	ted with relief me	echanism ^{Note 1)}	Air-opera	ated ^{Note 2)}	Handle-opera mechani	ated with relief sm ^{Note 1)}
Max. flow rate Note 3) (I/min (ANR))	200	1000	1900	1000	1900	60	1600
Set pressure range (MPa)	0.2 to 2.0 0.2 to 1.0 0.2 to 1.0		o 1.0	0.2 to 2.0	0.2 to 1.6		
Max. supply pressure (MPa)				0.1 to 1.0			
Proof pressure (MPa)	3	1.5		1.5		3	2.4
Port size (IN, OUT, EXH: 3 locations) (G)	1/4	3/8	1/2	3/8	1/2	1/4	1/2
Pressure gauge port size (IN, OUT: 2 locations) (Rc)	1/16	1/8	1/8	1/8	1/8	1/16	1/8
Ambient and fluid temperature (°C)	2 to 50 (No freezing)						
Installation	Horizontal						
Lubrication			(Grease (Non-lube	e)		
Mass (kg)	0.85	3.9	8.6	3.9	8.6	0.98	8.6

Note 1) If the OUT pressure is higher than the set pressure by the han dle, excessive pressure is exhausted from the back of the handle. Note 2) Please consult SMC for details on the air-operated type (VBA22A-03, VBA42A-04) and 1.6 MPa compatible type (VBA43A-04). Note 3) Flow rate at IN= OUT= 0.5 MPa. The pressure varies depending on the operating conditions. Refer to "Flow Characteristics" on page 3 and 4.

VBA1110

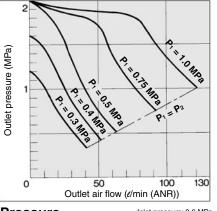
Flow Characteristics

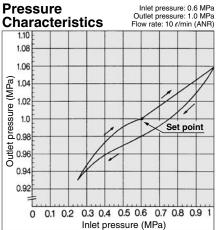




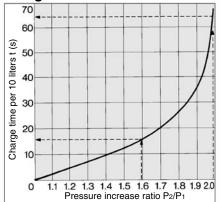
VBA1111

Flow Characteristics





Charge Characteristics



VBA1110

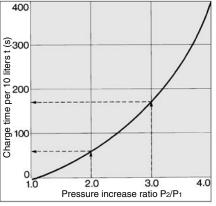
• The time required to charge tank pressure from 0.8 MPa to 1.0 MPa at 0.5 MPa supply pressure:

$$\frac{\mathbf{P_2}}{\mathbf{P_1}} = \frac{0.8}{0.5} = 1.6 \qquad \frac{\mathbf{P_2}}{\mathbf{P_1}} = \frac{1.0}{0.5} = 2.0$$

With the pressure increase ratio from 1.6 to 2.0, the charge time of 65 - 16 = 49 sec. (t) is given by the graph. Then, the charge time (T) for a 10 *t* tank:

$$\mathbf{T} = \mathbf{t} \times \frac{\mathbf{V}}{10} = 49 \times \frac{10}{10} = 49$$
 (s).

Charge Characteristics



VBA1111

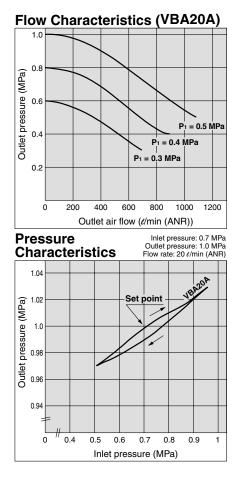
• The time required to charge tank pressure from 1.0 MPa to 1.5 MPa at 0.5 MPa supply pressure:

$$\frac{\mathbf{P}_2}{\mathbf{P}_1} = \frac{1.0}{0.5} = 2.0 \qquad \frac{\mathbf{P}_2}{\mathbf{P}_1} = \frac{1.5}{0.5} = 3.0$$

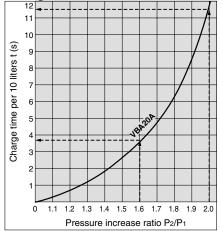
With the pressure increase ratio from 2.0 to 3.0, the charge time of 170 - 60 = 110 sec. (t) is given by the graph. Then, the charge time (T) for a 10 *t* tank:

$$\mathbf{T} = \mathbf{t} \times \frac{\mathbf{V}}{10} = 110 \times \frac{10}{10} = 110 \text{ (s)}.$$

VBA20A



Charge Characteristics



VBA20A

 The time required to charge tank pressure from 0.8 MPa to 1.0 MPa at 0.5 MPa supply pressure:

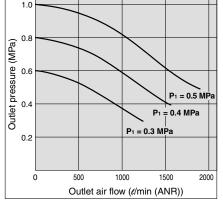
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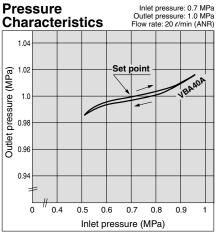
With the pressure increase ratio from 1.6 to 2.0, the charge time of 11.5 - 3.8 = 7.7 sec. (t) is given by the graph. Then, the charge time (T) for a 100 *t* tank:

$$\mathbf{T} = \mathbf{t} \times \frac{\mathbf{V}}{10} = 7.7 \times \frac{100}{10} = 77$$
 (s).

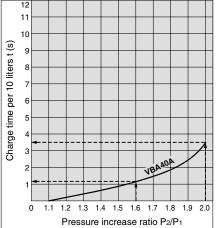
VBA40A

Flow Characteristics (VBA40A)





Charge Characteristics



VBA40A

 The time required to charge tank pressure from 0.8 MPa to 1.0 MPa at 0.5 MPa supply pressure:

$$\frac{\mathbf{P}_2}{\mathbf{P}_1} = \frac{0.8}{0.5} = 1.6 \qquad \frac{\mathbf{P}_2}{\mathbf{P}_1} = \frac{1.0}{0.5} = 2.0$$

With the pressure increase ratio from 1.6 to 2.0, the charge time of 3.5 - 1.1 = 2.4 sec. (t) is given by the graph. Then, the charge time (T) for a 100 ℓ tank:

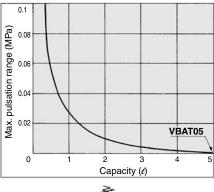
$$\mathbf{T} = \mathbf{t} \times \frac{\mathbf{V}}{10} = 2.4 \times \frac{100}{10} = 24$$
 (s).

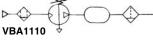
Pulsation/

Pulsation is decreased by using tank.

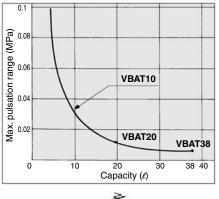
If the outlet capacity is undersized, pulsation may occur.

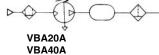






VBAT10A, VBAT20A, VBAT38A





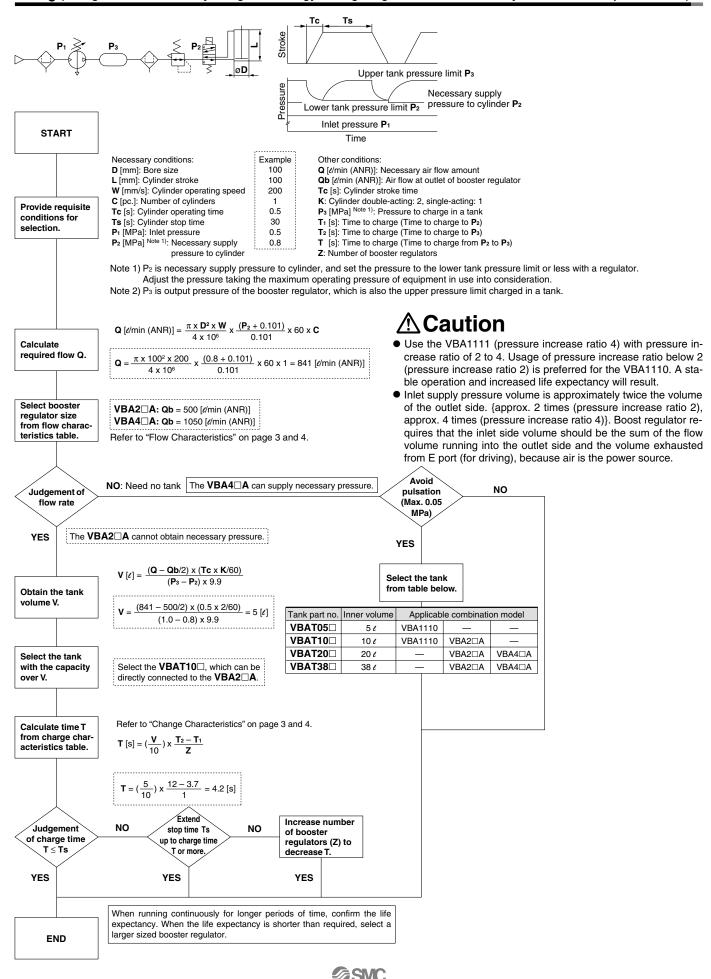
Conditions: Inlet pressure: 0.5 MPa Outlet set pressure: 1 MPa Flow rate: Between 0 and max. flow rate

Performance of air tank

- Alleviates the pulsation generated on the outlet side.
- Manages supply air to be consumed for short periods of time by storing air through raising the tank pressure.

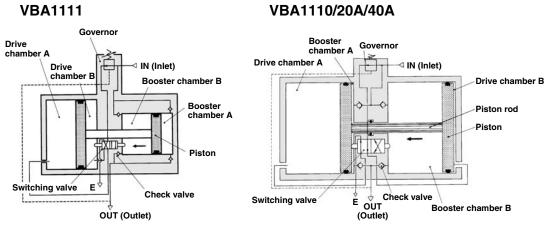
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Sizing (Sizing can be achieved by using SMC Energy Saving Program Ver. 3.1. Contact your SMC sales representative.)



Construction/Principle

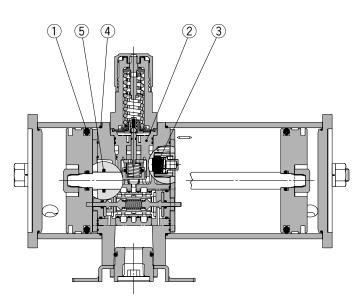
The IN air passes through the check valve to booster chambers A and B. Meanwhile, air is supplied to drive chamber B via the governor and the switching valve. Then, the air pressure from drive chamber B and booster chamber A are applied to the piston, boosting the air in booster chamber B. As the piston travels, the boosted air is pushed via the check valve to the OUT side. When the piston reaches to the end, the piston causes the switching valve to switch, so that drive chamber B is in the exhaust state and drive chamber A is in the supply state respectively. Then, the piston reverses its movement, this time, the pressures from booster chamber B and drive chamber A and sends it to the OUT side. The process described above is repeated to continuously supply highly pressurized air from the IN to the OUT side. The governor establishes the outlet pressure by handle operation and pressure adjustment in the drive chamber by feeding back the outlet pressure.



Construction/Replacement Parts

VBA1111

VBA20A, 40A



Replacement Parts/Replacement Part Kits

Model	VBA1111-02	VBA20A-03	VBA40A-04
Order no.	KT-VBA1110-2	KT-VBA20A-1	KT-VBA40A-1

The kit includes the parts from 1 to 6 and a grease pack.

Na	Model	VBA1111-02	VBA20A-03	VBA40A-04			
No.	Description	Quantity					
1	Piston seal	2					
2	Governor assembly	1					
3	Check valve	4					
4	Gasket	2					
5	Rod seal	2	1	1			
6	Mounting screw	8	8	12			
_	Grease pack	1	1	2			

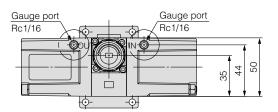
* The grease pack has 10 g of grease.

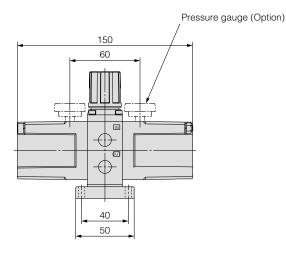
* Make sure to refer to the procedure for maintenance.

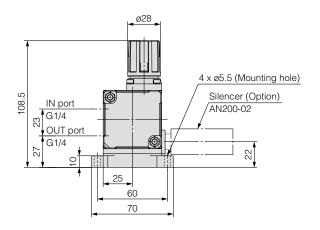


Dimensions

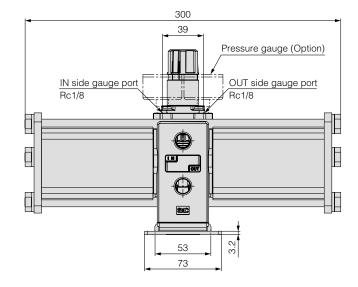
VBA1110-02, VBA1111-02

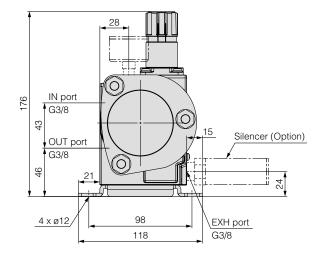






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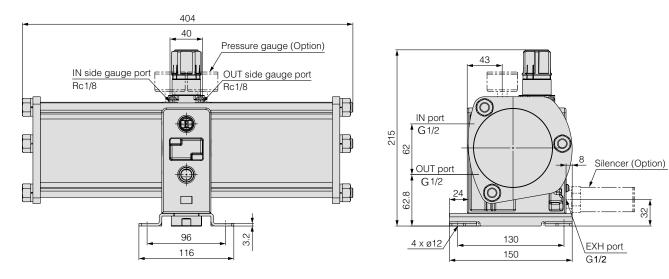




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Dimensions

VBA40A-04



Safety Instructions

These safety instructions are intended to prevent hazardous situations and/or equipment damage. These instructions indicate the level of potential hazard with the labels of "**Caution**," "**Warning**" or "**Danger**." They are all important notes for safety and must be followed in addition to International Standards (ISO/IEC), Japan Industrial Standards (JIS)^{*1} and other safety regulations^{*2}.

* 1) ISO 4414: Pneumatic fluid power – General rules relating to systems. ISO 4413: Hydraulic fluid power – General rules relating to systems. IEC 60204-1: Safety of machinery – Electrical equipment of machines. (Part 1: General requirements) ISO 10218-1992: Manipulating industrial robots -Safety. JIS B 8370: General rules for pneumatic equipment. JIS B 8361: General rules for hydraulic equipment. JIS B 9960-1: Safety of machinery – Electrical equipment of machines. (Part 1: General requirements) JIS B 9960-1: Safety of machinery – Electrical equipment of machines. (Part 1: General requirements) JIS B 8433-1993: Manipulating industrial robots - Safety. etc.
* 2) Labor Safety and Sanitation Law, etc.
* 2) Labor Safety of Operator error could result in injury or equipment damage.
Marning: Operator error could result in serious injury or loss of life.
Mangeer: In extreme conditions, there is a possibility of serious injury or loss of life.

Warning

1. The compatibility of the product is the responsibility of the person who designs the equipment or decides its specifications.

Since the product specified here is used under various operating conditions, its compatibility with specific equipment must be decided by the person who designs the equipment or decides its specifications based on necessary analysis and test results. The expected performance and safety assurance of the equipment will be the responsibility of the person who has determined its compatibility with the product. This person should also continuously review all specifications of the product referring to its latest catalog information, with a view to giving due consideration to any possibility of equipment failure when configuring the equipment.

- 2. Only personnel with appropriate training should operate machinery and equipment. The product specified here may become unsafe if handled incorrectly. The assembly, operation and maintenance of machines or equipment including our products must be performed by an operator who is appropriately trained and experienced.
- 3. Do not service or attempt to remove product and machinery/equipment until safety is confirmed.
 - 1. The inspection and maintenance of machinery/equipment should only be performed after measures to prevent falling or runaway of the driven objects have been confirmed.
 - 2. When the product is to be removed, confirm that the safety measures as mentioned above are implemented and the power from any appropriate source is cut, and read and understand the specific product precautions of all relevant products carefully.
 - 3. Before machinery/equipment is restarted, take measures to prevent unexpected operation and malfunction.
- 4. Contact SMC beforehand and take special consideration of safety measures if the product is to be used in any of the following conditions.
 - 1. Conditions and environments outside of the given specifications, or use outdoors or in a place exposed to direct sunlight.
 - 2. Installation on equipment in conjunction with atomic energy, railways, air navigation, space, shipping, vehicles, military, medical treatment, combustion and recreation, or equipment in contact with food and beverages, emergency stop circuits, clutch and brake circuits in press applications, safety equipment or other applications unsuitable for the standard specifications described in the product catalog.
 - 3. An application which could have negative effects on people, property, or animals requiring special safety analysis.
 - 4. Use in an interlock circuit, which requires the provision of double interlock for possible failure by using a mechanical protective function, and periodical checks to confirm proper operation.



Safety Instructions

The product is provided for use in manufacturing industries.

The product herein described is basically provided for peaceful use in manufacturing industries.

If considering using the product in other industries, consult SMC beforehand and exchange specifications or a contract if necessary. If anything is unclear, contact your nearest sales branch.

Limited Warranty and Disclaimer/Compliance Requirements

The product used is subject to the following "Limited Warranty and Disclaimer" and "Compliance Requirements". Read and accept them before using the product.

Limited Warranty and Disclaimer

1. The warranty period of the product is 1 year in service or 1.5 years after the product is delivered.^{*3}

Also, the product may have specified durability, running distance or replacement parts. Please consult your nearest sales branch.

- For any failure or damage reported within the warranty period which is clearly our responsibility, a replacement product or necessary parts will be provided. This limited warranty applies only to our product independently, and not to any other damage incurred due to the failure of the product.
- 3. Prior to using SMC products, please read and understand the warranty terms and disclaimers noted in the specified catalog for the particular products.
 - * 3) Vacuum pads are excluded from this 1 year warranty.
 - A vacuum pad is a consumable part, so it is warranted for a year after it is delivered. Also, even within the warranty period, the wear of a product due to the use of the vacuum pad or failure due to the deterioration of rubber material are not covered by the limited warranty.

Compliance Requirements

When the product is exported, strictly follow the laws required by the Ministry of Economy, Trade and Industry (Foreign Exchange and Foreign Trade Control Law).



Series VBA Specific Product Precautions 1

Be sure to read this before handling. Refer to the back of pages 1 and 2 for Safety Instructions. For Common Precautions, refer to "Precautions for Handling Pneumatic Devices" (M-03-E3A).

Booster Regulator Specific Product Precautions

Design

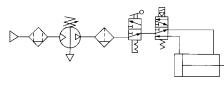
MWarning

1. Warning concerning abnormal outlet pressure

- If there is a likelihood of causing an outlet pressure drop due to unforeseen circumstances such as equipment malfunction, thus leading to a major problem, take safety measures on the system side.
- Because the outlet pressure could exceed its set range if there is a large fluctuation in the inlet pressure, leading to unexpected accidents, take safety measures against abnormal pressures.
- Operate the equipment within its maximum operating pressure and set pressure range.

2. Residual pressure measures

 Connect a 3-port valve to the OUT side of the booster regulator if the residual pressure must be released quickly from the outlet pressure side for maintenance, etc. (Refer to the below diagram.) The residual outlet pressure side cannot be released even if the 3-port valve is connected to the IN side because the check valve in the booster regulator will activate.



∆Caution

1. System configuration

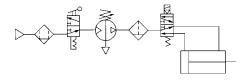
- The IN port of the booster regulator has metallic mesh to prevent dust from entering the booster regulator. However, it cannot remove dust continuously or separate drainage. Make sure to install a mist separator (AM series) at the inlet side of the booster regulator.
- The booster regulator has a sliding part inside, and it generates dust. Also, install a cleaning device such as an air filter or a mist separator on the outlet side as necessary.
- Connect a lubricator to the outlet side, because the accumulated oil in the booster regulator may result in a malfunction.

2. Exhaust air measures

- Provide a dedicated pipe to release the exhaust air from each booster regulator. If exhaust air is converged into a pipe, the back pressure that is created could cause improper operation.
- Depending on the necessity, install a silencer or an exhaust cleaner on the exhaust port of the booster regulator to reduce the exhausting sound.

3. Maintenance space

• Allow the sufficient space for maintenance and inspection.



Selection

▲Caution

1. Verify the specifications.

 Consider the operating conditions and operate this product within the specification range that is described in this catalog.

2. Selection

- Based on the conditions (pressure, flow rate, takt time, etc.) required for the outlet side of the booster regulator, select the size of the booster regulator in accordance with the selection procedures described in this catalog or model selection program.
- Use the VBA1111 (pressure increase ratio 4) with pressure increase ratio of 2 to 4. Usage of pressure increase ratio below 2 (pressure increase ratio 2) is preferred for the VBA1110. A stable operation and increased life expectancy will result.
- Inlet supply pressure volume is approximately twice the volume of the outlet side. {approx. 2 times (pressure increase ratio 2), approx. 4 times (pressure increase ratio 4)}. Booster regulator requires that the inlet side volume should be the sum of the flow volume running into the outlet side and the volume exhausted from E port (for driving), because air is the power source.
- When running continuously for longer periods of time, confirm the life expectancy. The life expectancy of a booster regulator is dependent upon the operational cycle. Thus, when used for driving cylinders, etc. in the outlet side, life expectancy will be reduced.
- Make sure the outlet pressure is set more than 0.1 MPa higher than the inlet pressure. A pressure difference less than 0.1 MPa makes the operation unstable and may result in malfunction.

Mounting

▲Caution

1. Transporting

• When transporting this product, hold it lengthwise with both hands. Never hold it by the black handle that protrudes from the center because the handle could become detached from the body, causing the body to fall and leading to injury.

2. Installation

- Install this product so that the silver-colored tie-rods and cover are placed horizontally. If mounted vertically, it may result in malfunction.
- Because the piston cycle vibration is transferred, use the following retaining bolts (VBA1: M5; VBA2, 4: M10) and tighten them with the specified torque (VBA1: 3 N·m; VBA2, 4: 24 N·m).
- If the transmission of vibration is not preferred, insert an isolating rubber material before installation.
- The pressure gauge should be mounted with the following torque. R 1/16 for VBA1: 3 to 4 N, R 1/8: 7 to 9 N

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Series VBA Specific Product Precautions 2

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Booster Regulator Specific Product Precautions

Piping

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1. Flushing

 Use an air blower to flush the piping to thoroughly remove any cutting chips, cutting oil, or debris from the piping inside, before connecting them. If they enter the inside of the booster regulator, they could cause the booster regulator to malfunction or its durability could be affected.

2. Piping size

• To bring the booster regulator's ability into full play, make sure to match the piping size to the port size.

Air Supply

▲Caution

1. Quality of air source

- Connect a mist separator to the inlet side near the booster regulator. If the quality of the compressed air is not thoroughly controlled, the booster regulator could malfunction (without being able to boost) or its durability could be affected.
- If dry air (atmospheric pressure dew point: -17°C or less) is used, the life expectancy may be shortened because dry air will accelerate evaporation of grease inside.

Operating Environment

1. Installation location

- Do not install this product in an area that is exposed to rainwater or direct sunlight.
- Do not install in locations influenced by vibrations. If it must be used in such an area due to unavoidable circumstances, please contact SMC beforehand.

Handling

▲ Caution

1. Setting the pressure on the handle-operated type

• If air is supplied to the product in the shipped state, the air will be released.

Set the pressure by quickly pulling up on the governor handle, and rotating it in the direction of the arrow (+).

- There is an upper and lower limit for the handle rotation. If over-rotating the handle even after reaching to the limit, the internal parts may be damaged. If the handle suddenly feels heavy while being turned, stop turning the handle.
- Once the setting is completed, push the handle down.
- To decrease the outlet pressure, after the pressure has been set, rotate the handle in the direction of the arrow (–). The residual air will be released from the area of the handle, due to the relief construction of the governor.
- To reset the pressure, first reduce the pressure so that it is lower than the desired pressure; then, set it to the desired pressure.



2. Draining

If this product is used with a large amount of drainage accumulated in the filter, mist separator, or the tank, the drainage could flow out, leading to equipment malfunction. Therefore, drain the system once a day. If it is equipped with an autodrain, check its operation once a day.

3. Exhaust

• Exhausting time from E port may be longer for a booster regulator which is set to switch in longer hour intervals. This is not an abnormal phenomenon.

4. Maintenance

- Life expectancy varies depending on the quality of air and the operating conditions. As a symptom of the end of life expectancy, it can be found by breathing all the time beneath the handle, or hearing the exhausting sound from booster regulator in 10 to 20 second intervals despite no air consumption in the outlet side. Conduct maintenance earlier than scheduled in such cases.
- When maintenance is required, confirm the model and serial number of the booster regulator, and please contact SMC for maintenance kit.
- Maintenance should be carried out according to the specified maintenance procedure by individuals possessing enough knowledge and experiences in maintaining pneumatic equipment.
- The list of spare parts and kit part number are shown on page 6, and the figure shows the position of the parts.

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