# Air & Vacuum Release Valves



SERIES: AA

SIZES: 1-1/4 " & 3"

ENDS? Threaded or Flanged

SEALS: EPDM



Release Valve provides a controlled venting solution for larger diameter piping systems. This valve reduces the potential for water hammer incidents that occur when pressure builds up due to entrapped air. A unique two-stage ball stop prevents liquids from escaping while allowing high volume air release while the pipeline is under pressure, also at low pressure when it is being filled.

AA Series Air and Vacuum

The vacuum release function allows air to re-enter the pipeline to prevent vacuum collapse.

PDCPD (Polydicyclopenthadiene) is a polyolefin thermoset plastic. Valve parts are manufactured by a process called reaction injection moulding (RIM). PDCPD has excellent corrosion resistance and temperature ratings, very similar to those of polypropylene. It is durable material offering very high impact strength and a fraction of the weight of cast iron.

# features

# **High Impact Strength**

## **Superior Exhaust Performance**

- High discharge capacities
- Two-stage (high/low) exhaust function

## **Works at Low Pressures**

• Half the minimum pressure compared to cast iron

#### **Excellent Corrosion Resistance**

• PDCPD (polydicyclopenthadiene) material has chemical resistance similar to polypropylene

## **Top Entry**

• Easy access to internal parts while valve is in line

## **Recommended Installation**

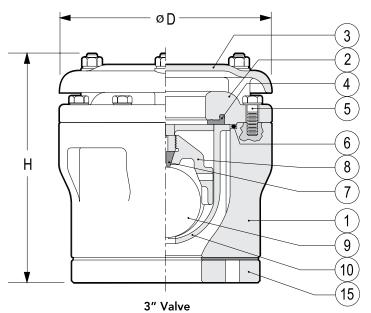
- 1-1/4" valve on 3" to 14" pipe
- 3" valve on 14" to 32" pipe



<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> PDCPD = Polydicyclopenthadiene

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> 1-1/4" valves are threaded, 3" valves are flanged

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1-1/4" Valve

# **PARTS**

▲ Recommended Spare Parts

No.	Part	Pcs.	Materials
1	Body	1	PDCPD <sup>1</sup>
2	Bonnet	1	PDCPD <sup>1</sup>
3	Cover	1	PDCPD <sup>1</sup>
4▲	Bonnet Seal	1	EPDM
5	Bolt & Nut Set	4	304 SS
6▲	Body O-Ring	1	EPDM
7▲ ¦	Float Seat	1	EPDM
8	Disc	1	PP
9	Float	1	PP
10	Guide	1	HI-PVC <sup>2</sup>
11	Packing <sup>3</sup>	1	EPDM
12	Body Insert <sup>3</sup>	1	Copper Alloy
13	1-1/4" NPT	1	304 SS, PVC, PP
	End Connector <sup>3</sup>	!	
14	Wing-nut <sup>3</sup>	4	304 SS
15 ¦	3" Flanged	1	304 SS
	End Connector		

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# **DIMENSIONS INCHES**

WORKING **TEMPERATURE** PRESSURES PSI RANGE °C (°F)

**MAXIMUM AIR DISCHARGE CAPACITY** CFM

**WEIGHTS** 

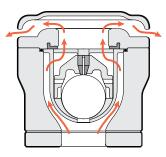
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Size	Connection		D	Н	Range	Range	<b>CFM@1.42</b> psi △P/m³/h	LB.	KG	
1-1/4"	Female Threaded	1	8.0	7.5	0.7 to 110	0°C (32°F) to 50°C (122°F)	185	6.5	2.95	
3"	Flanged	-	9.5	9.0	0.7 to 185	0°C (32°F) to 50°C (122°F)	1,250	28.3	12.80	

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## **OPERATION**

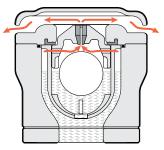
#### The valve features 2 air exhaust paths:

- high flow exhaust, sealed by rising Disc #8 seating on the Bonnet Seal #4
- low flow exhaust, sealed by the Float #9 seating on the float Seat #7



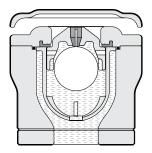
# High flow air exhaust

- the pipe is empty and starts filling with liquid
- high flow exhaust path is open, disc #8 is floating on the rising liquid but not sealing on the bonnet sea #4 in this stage



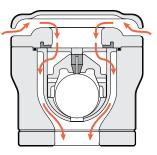
# Low flow air exhaust prior to shut off

- the pipe is full
- the Disc #8 is sealing on the Bonnet Seal #4 closing the high flow exhaust
- the air trapped in the pressurized pipe will escape through the low flow exhaust path, Float #9 not sealing the Float Seat #7



#### Shut-off

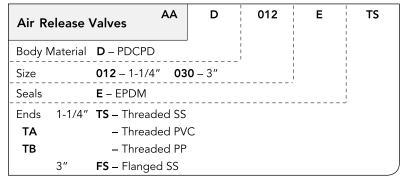
- all the air in the pipe was removed
- both high and low exhaust seals are sealing, the valve is fully closed



Air intake

- level of the liquid in the pipe drops
- Disc #8 is not sealing on Bonnet Seal #4, opening the high flow path and allowing atmospheric air to flow into the pipe

#### ORDERING EXAMPLE



**Example:** Type AA Air Release Valve, PDCPD, 1-1/4", with EPDM seals, threaded stainless steel end.

