

# TFAR - AIR SPARGING NOZZLE

## Installation, Operation, and Maintenance Manual



The Tideflex Technologies Air Sparging Nozzle is constructed specifically for the application conditions to produce the required discharge flowrate. This sparger is a check valve which closes at zero-discharge flow and resists the backflow of liquid into the air distribution piping system.

The internal and external elastomer layers along with the internal fabric reinforcing plies are selected and applied in accordance with optimizing chemical resistance to the specific process fluid.

Note: Generic check valves cannot be utilized or interchanged with Tideflex Air Sparging Nozzles due to the special construction of the nozzle to resist the turbulent discharge forces produced through air sparging.

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# INSTALLATION

The valve end with the rubber flange face should be installed on the pressure side of the system using the split backup rings provided. The sleeve split should be installed facing downstream, with the split in the horizontal position (curve bill down, if provided).

The installation bolt torque on the end flange bolts are listed in the table below.

RECOMMENDED BOLT TORQUE			
Valve Size	Bolt Size	Torque (ft*lb.)	
		Steel	PVC
1"	1/2" - 13NC	20	12
1-1/2"	1/2" - 13NC	20	12
2"	5/8" - 11NC	30	25
2-1/2"	5/8" - 11NC	30	25
3"	5/8" - 11NC	30	25
4"	5/8" - 11NC	30	25
5"	3/4" - 10NC	40	30
6"	3/4" - 10NC	40	40
8"	3/4" - 10NC	40	40
10"	7/8" - 9NC	40	40
12"	7/8" - 9NC	50	50
14"	1" - 8NC	50	50
16"	1" - 8NC	50	50
18"	1-1/8" - 7NC	40	40
20"	1-1/8" - 7NC	40	40
24"	1-1/4" - 7NC	40	40
30"	1-1/4" - 7NC	40	40
36"	1-1/2" - 6NC	40	40
42"	1-1/2" - 6NC	40	40
48"	1-1/2" - 6NC	40	40

Torque values are suggested minimum values.

Torque all flange bolts in a star pattern, first to 50% of tabulated values, then retorque to 100% of tabulated values. If greater torque is required, continue retorquing in increments of 50% of tabulated values. Use of a high quality anti-seize compound on all bolt threads is recommended.

Variables such as the surface finish on bolt threads, type of anti-seize compound used, and surface finish of the mating flanges all have an effect on the minimum torque required to obtain a leak-tight flange seal.

# OPERATION

Tideflex® Technologies nozzles are custom made products intended for a specific application and have been designed to respond to criteria unique to that purpose, such as line pressure, minimum and maximum backflow pressure, and chemical compatibility. Should the conditions for which the nozzle has been designed be altered or change in any way, it could affect the normal operation of the nozzle. .

# MAINTENANCE

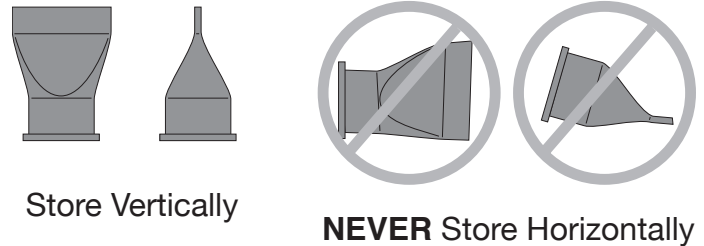
The TFAR Nozzle should remain trouble free for the life of the system.

# STORAGE

Air sparging nozzles should be stored in a cool, dry location on original shipping pallet with the bill facing upward (not on side) (Figure #1). Do not drop, bend or twist the nozzle or damage may occur.

1. Store the valve in a cool, clean, dry location.
2. Avoid exposure to light, electric motors, dirt or chemicals. Resilient nozzles are subject to deterioration when exposed to ozones and non-compatible chemicals.
3. Store Installation Operation Manual with product so it will be readily available for installation.

FIGURE 1



# TROUBLESHOOTING

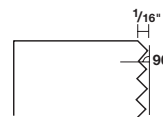
During installation you may need to retorque the flange bolts several times for a proper seal. This will overcome any leaks due to the cold flow of the rubber sleeve flange.

A.



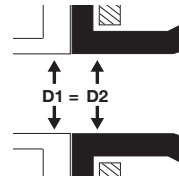
A. Standard nozzles are built to schedule 40 pipe I.D. and to ANSI Class 125/150# flange and bolt circle specifications. It is recommended that the mating flanges are flat and full faced.

B.



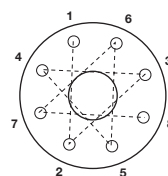
B. It is recommended that the mating flange be serrated to "grip" the rubber flange. The serrations should be cut 1/16" deep, with a 90° angle tool point. The pitch should be 8 (eight) cuts per inch.

C.



C. Mating flange ID must match the nozzle sleeve ID.

D.



D. Always use a "star" pattern when bolting a nozzle.