

Tideflex® Series 37 Inline Check Valve

Installation, Operation and Maintenance Manual



The revolutionary design of the Series 37 Inline Check Valve provides reliable backflow protection. This unique duckbill design stops backflow from oceans, rivers or stormwater, and is the ideal valve for effluent diffuser systems.

The Series 37 Check Valve is available in a wide variety of elastomers and is designed to meet your exact flow specifications.

Series 37 Valves are constructed with ASME 125 flanges, which have the same drilling pattern as ASME 150 for ease of installation.

- Simple design
- Cost effective
- No cavities or dead spots to bind valve operation
- Low maintenance



Certified to
NSF/ASME/CAN 61

Only certain valves have NSF/ASME/CAN 61 Certification.

Contact Red Valve with the valve's part number and serial number that are embedded in the rubber to confirm.

IMPORTANT

Please take a moment to review this manual. Before performing any maintenance on the valve be sure the pipeline has been depressurized. The improper installation or use of this product may result in personal injury, product failure, or reduced product life. Red Valve can accept NO liability resulting from the improper use or installation of this product. If you have any questions please call the customer service department at (412) 279-0044. We appreciate your comments. Thank you for choosing Tideflex®.

INSTALLATION

1. INSPECTION OF VALVE:

Check flange faces of pipe for rough/damaged areas. Pipeline flanges must be flat, properly spaced and parallel to achieve proper seal. Red Valve recommends that pipeline flanges are serrated approximately 1/16" deep at 90°, in order to prevent the creep of the rubber flange of the valve sleeve. **Flanges with an oversized I.D. can cut the sleeve flange and are not recommended with the Series 37 Valve.** Grind or file any sharp edges of pipeline flange to prevent damage to the sleeve. PVC flanges may not seal properly, and are not recommended. If PVC flanges are used, metal back up rings should be placed behind the PVC flanges in order to prevent yielding. Typically, PVC flanges will yield before the valve will seal.

2. GASKETS:

The Series 37 Inline Check Valve is self-gasketing and does not need a separate gasket.

CAUTION: Do not use any sharp tools such as a crowbar or screwdriver on the rubber during installation. Sharp instruments can damage flange faces and cause possible leakage.

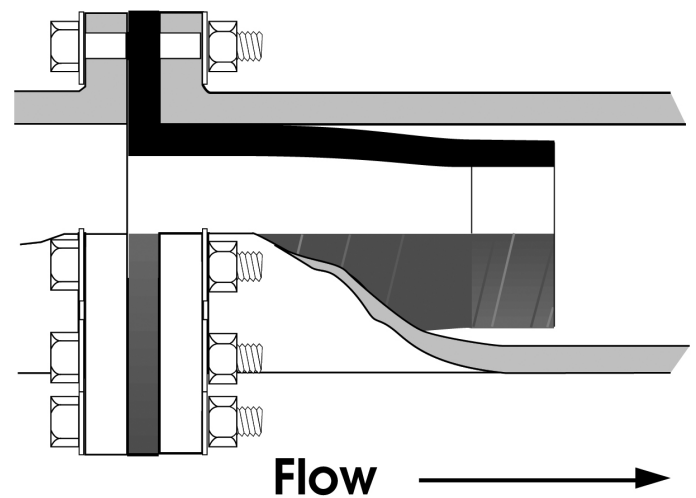
3. INSTALLING FLANGE BOLTS:

Tighten all bolts uniformly to distribute pressure evenly around the sleeve flange.

4. VALVE ORIENTATION:

The valve shall be installed with the bill in the vertical position. The valve end with the rubber flange face should be installed on the pressure side of the system. The bill area should be installed facing downstream, with the slit vertically oriented.

The inlet flange makes use of the rubber check valve flange as the gasket (additional rubber gaskets are not required on the inlet flange).



NEVER...
Use sharp tools
on rubber sleeve.

NEVER...
Exceed design
working pressure.

NEVER...
Install the valve
backwards.

OPERATION

The Series 37 Check Valve is a self-contained check valve for use on low backpressure systems. All check valves are built for each specific application. Backpressure in excess of the maximum rated backpressure may invert the sleeve and cause valve failure.

Tideflex® Check Valves 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 valve has been designed be altered or change in any way, it could affect the normal operation of the valve and/or prevent the valve from draining completely. Valves made to withstand high backpressure may not self-drain completely.

MAINTENANCE

1. INSPECTION:

Valves should occasionally be inspected for damage and wear. The inspection period should be determined by the severity of the service and environment.

CAUTION: Do not remove the valve parts or bolting with pressure in the line. It is easy to inspect the valve for obvious problems.

ELASTOMER CHECK VALVE REPLACEMENT:

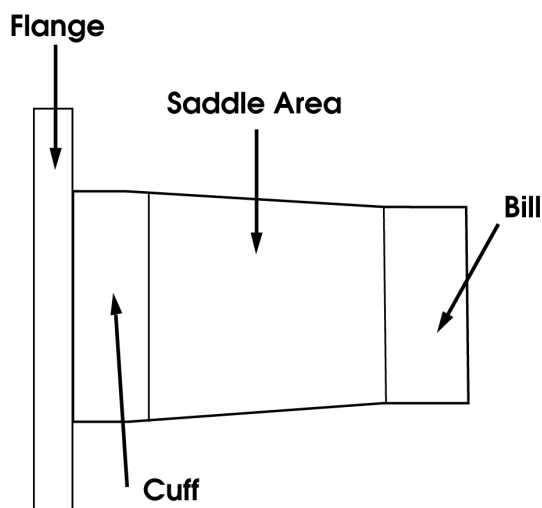
1. A spare replacement check valve should be placed on order when this valve is placed in service.
2. Remove the existing valve and install the replacement as specified under **INSTALLATION**.

STORAGE

If the Series 37 Valve is to be stored for a period of time prior to installation, the following storage guidelines will help preserve the valve and assure a trouble free installation.

1. Store valve in a clean, cool, dry location. Avoid exposure to light, electric motors, dirt or chemicals.
2. Store valve to prevent other items from contacting check sleeve or flanges to prevent possible damage.
3. Store this manual with the valve, so that it is readily available at time of installation.

PART DESCRIPTION



TROUBLESHOOTING

SYMPTOM:

LEAKAGE AT FLANGE

- Retighten all flange bolts uniformly, as explained on the back cover of this IOM.

SYMPTOM:

SLEEVE RUPTURE (At juncture of flanges)

- Excessive backpressure due to water hammer or pressure surge.
- High velocity of abrasive media with the valve cracked open.

SYMPTOM:

CUTS ON FLANGE SURFACE

- Sharp I.D. of mating flange.
- Oversized I.D. of mating flange.

SYMPTOM:

SLEEVE INVERTED

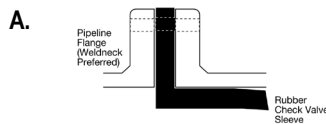
- Excessive backpressure.

RECOMMENDED MINIMUM BOLT TORQUE

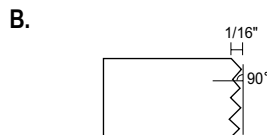
Valve Size	Bolt Size	Torque (ft*lb.)
2"	5/8" - 11NC	30
2-1/2"	5/8" - 11NC	40
3"	5/8" - 11NC	40
4"	5/8" - 11NC	30
5"	3/4" - 10NC	40
6"	3/4" - 10NC	30
8"	3/4" - 10NC	40
10"	7/8" - 9NC	40
12"	7/8" - 9NC	50
14"	1" - 8NC	50
16"	1" - 8NC	50
18"	1-1/8" - 7NC	30
20"	1-1/8" - 7NC	30
24"	1-1/4" - 7NC	40
30"	1-1/4" - 7NC	30
36"	1-1/2" - 6NC	40
42"	1-1/2" - 6NC	30
48"	1-1/2" - 6NC	30
54"	1-3/4" - 5NC	50
60"	1-3/4" - 5NC	50
72"	1-3/4" - 5NC	50

- Torque values are suggested minimum values.
- Torque all flange bolts in a star pattern. First to 50% of tabulated values, then re-torque to 100% of tabulated values. If greater torque is required, continue re-torquing in increments of 50% of tabulated values.
- Variables such as 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.
- Use of a high quality anti-seize compound on all bolt threads is recommended.

INSTALLATION NOTES FOR SERIES 37 CHECK VALVES

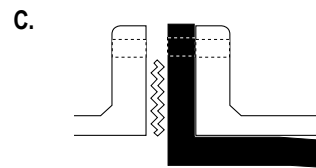


A. Standard check valves are built to schedule 40 pipe I.D. and to ASME Class 125/150 flange and bolt circle specifications. It is recommended that the mating flanges are flat, full faced, and serrated.

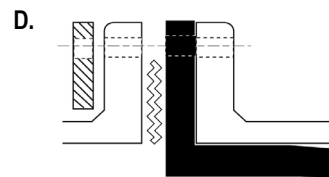


B. It is recommended that the mating flange be serrated to "grip" the rubber flange. The serrations should be cut 1/16" deep, with a 90° angle tool point. The pitch should be 8 (eight) cuts per inch.

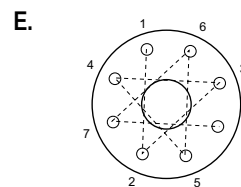
Note: If long, unsupported lengths of steel, plastic, or synthetic pipe are being used, the pipe may yield or sag due to the valve weight. This may cause an inadequate seal between the valve and flanges. Be certain sufficient pipe hangers are used and properly located to support the total weight of the valve and the process fluid.



C. When installing a check valve to a rubber, PVC, or any "slick" mating flange, we recommend that you install a metal serrated gasket between the two flanges to assist in the seal.



D. When bolting a check valve to a PVC or Synthetic mating flange, use a split back-up retaining ring, since the mating flange will yield prior to generating enough force on the flange faces for a proper seal.



E. Always use a "star" pattern when bolting a check valve.

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