

# Tideflex Series 39 Inline Check Valve **Installation, Operation and Maintenance Manual**



The revolutionary design of the Series 39 Inline Check Valve provides reliable backflow protection. This unique duckbill design stops costly backflow from oceans, rivers or stormwater, and is the ideal valve for effluent diffuser systems.

The Series 39 Check Valve is available in a wide variety of elastomers and is designed to meet your exact flow specifications.

Series 39 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



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 that 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 hotline at (412) 279-0044. We appreciate your comments. Thank you for choosing Tideflex®.

# INSTALLATION

#### 1. INSPECTION OF VALVE:

Inspect flange faces of pipe for rough/damaged areas. Pipeline flanges must be flat, properly spaced, and parallel to achieve proper seal. PVC flanges may not seal properly and are not recommended by Red Valve. 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. Red Valve recommends that pipeline flanges are serrated approximately 1/16" 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 39 Valve. Grind or file any sharp edges of pipeline flange to prevent damage to the sleeve.

#### 2. BODY GASKETS:

The Series 39 Valve contains (2) gaskets between the cast halves of the valve. As the gasket extrudes from the body, it may push the rubber flange away slightly from the cast body. DO NOT TRIM any excess gasket material; it will seat itself after bolting the valve into the pipeline, thus providing a positive seal.

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

#### 3. VALVE ORIENTATION:

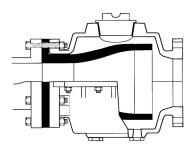
Install the valve with the bill in the vertical position. The valve end with the rubber flange face should be installed on the pressure side of the system. The bill area of the rubber check valve inside the body must be in the maximum body width to allow the valve to close fully. The bill area should be installed facing downstream.

The casting flanges should be installed with a rubber full face gasket between it and the downstream flange. The inlet flange makes use of the rubber check valve flange as the gasket (additional rubber gaskets are not required on the inlet flange).

#### 4. INSTALLING FLANGE BOLTS:

**CAUTION:** Only use flange bolts of the correct length so that the bolts do not bottom out in tapped holes.

The use of bolts which are too long and bottom out can crack or distort the body, causing permanent valve damage. Tighten all bolts uniformly on both sides of the valve, so as to distribute pressure evenly around the sleeve flange. Refer to the **Recommended Flange Bolting & Working Pressures Chart** for bolt torques.



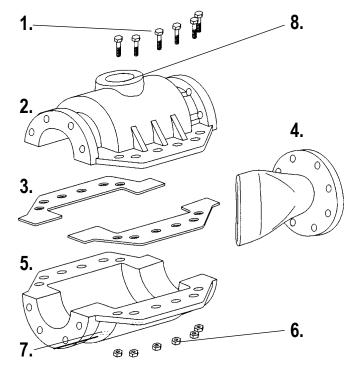
## **OPERATION**

The Series 39 Check Valve is a self-contained check valve for use on low back pressure systems. All check valves are built for each specific application. Backpressure in excess of the maximum rated back pressure 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.

# PARTS - Series 39 Inline Check Valve

- 1. Body Bolts
- 6. Hex Nuts
- 2. Cast Body (top)
- 7. Purge Plugs (2)
- 3. Body Gaskets (2)
- 8. Clean Out Plug
- 4. Check Sleeve
- 5. Cast Body (bottom)



NEVER... NEVER...

Cut excess gasket. Use sharp tools

on rubber sleeve.

NEVER... NEVER...

Exceed design Install the valve working pressure. backwards.

### **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. If valves are periodically inspected and preventive maintenance done, the valve will last longer and operate better.

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

# **ELASTOMER SLEEVE REPLACEMENT:**

- 1. A spare replacement check sleeve and gaskets should be placed on order when this valve is placed in service.
- 2. When replacing the check sleeve in the valve body, carefully inspect the gaskets. If they are damaged, order new ones. Do not trim the gaskets; they should extrude a minimum of 1/8" after rejoining the body halves.
- 3. Do not clean the body end flange surfaces with rough abrasive wheels; the serrations will be removed and flange leakage may result. Do not use Permatex or RTV silicone on the metal flange surface. These compounds will fill in the serrations and flange leakage may result.
- 4. Series 39 Check Valves ship from the factory with flushing port connections drilled, tapped and plugged. In those applications where check valves and piping are manifolded together, or if the percent of solids in the process may build up and pack around the outside of the check valve bill, it is recommended that the flush connections be used to regularly purge the valve body free of build-up or packing.

#### STORAGE

If the Series 39 Check Valve is to be stored for a period of time prior to installation, the following storage guidelines will help to 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. Grease flange threads of body to inhibit rust or corrosion.
- **3.** Store valve to prevent other items from contacting check sleeve or flanges to prevent possible damage.
- 4. Store this manual with valve, so that it is readily available at time of installation.

## TROUBLESHOOTING GUIDE

#### SYMPTOM: LEAKAGE AT BODY FLANGE

- Tighten body bolts beginning in center and working outward to both ends in order to extrude gasket material
- · Retighten all flange bolts
- Gasket cut too short, allowing leakage

#### SYMPTOM: SLEEVE RUPTURE (At juncture of flange and body)

- Excess backpressure Water hammer or pressure surge
- High velocity of abrasive media with valve cracked open

#### **SYMPTOM: CUTS ON FLANGE SURFACE**

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

# RECOMMENDED FLANGE BOLTING & WORKING PRESSURES

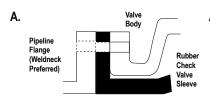
VALVE SIZE	WORKING PRESSURE (psi)	CLEAN OUT PLUG DIAMETER (in)	NO. OF PURGE PLUGS	PURGE PLUG DIAMETER (in)	NO. OF BOLTS	BOLT CIRCLE DIAMETER	THREAD SIZE	BOLT TORQUE (ft. lbs)
3"	150	2"	2	1"	4	6"	5/8" - 11 NC	55
4"	150	2"	2	1"	8	7-1/2"	5/8" - 11 NC	40
5"	150	4"	2	1"	8	8-1/2"	3/4" - 10 NC	50
6"	150	4"	2	1"	8	9-1/2"	3/4" - 10 NC	60
8"	150	4"	2	1"	8	11-3/4'	3/4" - 10 NC	80
10"	150	4"	2	1"	12	14-1/4"	7/8" - 9 NC	80
12"	150	4"	2	1"	12	17"	7/8" - 9 NC	120
14"	150	4"	2	1"	12	18-3/4"	1" - 8 NC	150
16"	150	4"	2	1"	16	21-1/4"	1" - 8 NC	130
18"	50	6"	2	1"	16	22-3/4"	1-1/8" - 7 NC	60
20"	50	6"	2	1"	20	25"	1-1/8" - 7 NC	60
24"	50	6"	2	1"	20	29-1/2"	1-1/4" - 7 NC	70

- · 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

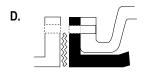
used, and surface finish of the mating flanges all have an effect on the minimum torque required to obtain a leak tight flange seal.

• Use of a high quality anti-seize compound on all bolt threads is recommended.

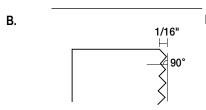
# **INSTALLATION NOTES**



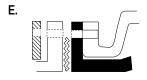
A. Standard check valves are built to schedule 40 pipe I.D. and to ASME Class 125/150 flange and bolt circle specifications. It is recommended that the mating flanges are flat, full faced, and serrated.



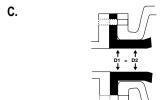
D. When installing a check valve to a rubber, PVC, or any "slick" mating flange, we recommend that you install a metal serrated gasket between the two flanges to assist in the seal.



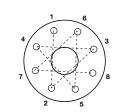
B. It is recommended that the mating flange be serrated to "grip" the rubber flange. The serrations should be cut 1/16" deep, with a 90° angle tool point. The pitch should be 8 (eight) cuts per inch.



E. 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.



**C.** Mating flange ID must match the Check Valve sleeve ID.



**F.** Always use a "star" pattern when bolting a check valve.

**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.

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