The Red Valve Series 5400 Control Pinch Valve is a bi-directional valve designed for tough slurry applications. The elastomer sleeve closes on centerline, creating a smooth venturi which reduces wear. The flexing action of the sleeve breaks up any sediment or build-up in the valve, which makes the Series 5400 a reliable, low maintenance control valve.

A variety of elastomers are available to suit your specific needs. Along with the standard Red Valve sleeve, we offer Cone, Variable Orifice, Reduced Port, and Double Wall sleeves for special applications.

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

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

The Red Valve Series 5400 Control Pinch Valve consists of the following major components, plus optional accessories. (See Fig. A)

A. Body - The body acts as a housing and support for the other valve components. It is not the primary pressure containing component.

B. Sleeve - The sleeve is the primary pressure containing component and is the only component in contact with the process fluid. The sleeve is attached to the upper and lower pinch bars by tabs built into the sleeve.

C. Mechanism - The mechanism consists of a set of linkages that act in a scissor-like motion to operate the upper and lower pinch bars simultaneously. The scissor mechanism is made up of the following parts:

1. Stem - Connected directly to the upper pinch bar.
2. Side Rods - Connected to the lower pinch bar.
3. Scissor Plates - Four pivoting plates that connect the Stem and Side Rods.
4. Spreader Bars - One bar on left, one on right, connected to both Side Rods.
5. Mounting Frame - Steel frame that provides the pivot points for the scissor mechanism and mounting point for the actuator.
6. Side Rod Pins - One pin for each side rod, threaded on each end.
7. Pivot Pins - Two pins, similar to the side pins but slightly shorter, threaded on both ends.
8. Stem Pin - One pin, slightly shorter than the Side Rod Pins, threaded on both ends.
9. Brass Bearing Blocks - Square brass blocks with a hole in the center.
10. Spacers - Round spacers, 2 thin, 2 thick, with hole in center, not threaded.
11. Threaded Washer - Flat washer with threaded hole.
12. Nuts - To secure Pins.

NOTE: On valves using a bevel gear or an electric motor actuator, the upper portion of the Stem (1) is threaded. On valves using cylinder actuators the stem is connected to the actuator piston rod.

D. Actuator - The actuator is the component that raises and lowers the stem, thereby opening and closing the valve. The actuator can be pneumatic, hydraulic, electric, or a manually operated bevel gear. Information on the actuator appears on page 5 of this IOM, along with the actuator manufacturers IOM if applicable.

E. Stroke Adjustment Unit - Creates a removal point in the stem, allows for fine adjustment of the valve’s stroke.
E. ACCESSORIES
Positioner - For modulating applications using a pneumatic cylinder, the valve is supplied with a positioner that accepts the standard ISA input signals of 4-20 mA or 3-15 psi.

Filter/Regulator - The filter/regulator provides clean air at a constant pressure to the positioner and/or actuator.

Limit Switches - Limit switches are supplied where specified to indicate that the valve is open or closed.

Solenoid Valves - Solenoid valves are supplied for on/off applications to control the valve from a remote location.

Handwheel Override - A handwheel override is supplied when it is necessary to open or close the valve if the control system signal or plant air supply is lost. They are also provided on most electric actuators.

Pressure Gauge - To provide a visual indication of a sleeve failure, a pressure gauge and diaphragm seal are tapped into the valve body. (Fig. B)

MISCELLANEOUS
STORAGE
If your Series 5400 Control Pinch Valve is to be stored for a period of time prior to installation, the following guidelines will help preserve the valve and assure trouble-free installation.

1. Store the valve and spare sleeves in a cool, clean, dry location.

2. Avoid exposure to light, electric motors, dirt or chemicals. Resilient sleeves are subject to rapid deterioration when exposed to ozone and certain chemicals.

3. Grease stem liberally and store valve in the full-open position. Do not stack other items on top of the valve.

4. Store the installation Operation and Maintenance Manual with the valve so it will be readily available for installation.

Reduced Port or Cone Sleeves - When replacing either of these sleeve types, the pinching bars must be spaced at their original factory setting. Due to the reduced port size, the line size no longer represents the stroke length of the valve.

Returns - All returns must have standard Red Valve Company return goods tags. Sleeves to be inspected by the Red Valve Company must have the tag firmly attached to the sleeve via the bolt holes, and must list the company, order number, address, valve serial number your telephone number, operating temperature, pressure, closing frequency, fluid media, and total days in service.

NOTE: If the product being returned has been in contact with a hazardous chemical or material, an MSDS (Material Data Safety Sheet) must be provided with the return paperwork; otherwise the return will not be processed. Any product that has been in contact with a hazardous substance MUST be cleaned prior to being returned to Red Valve, or the return will not be processed.

Double Wall Sleeves have triple the life expectancy in severely abrasive installations. The extra thickness requires the next larger flange size on the valve body to be used in order to maintain a matching port diameter. (Fig 1). It is recommended that a reducing flange be purchased, or an oversized flange be installed on the pipe. This is easily done by using blind flanges and boring the I.D. to suit the existing pipe. For example, on a double wall sleeve with a 6” flange and a 4” bore, the mating flange would be a 6” blind flange bored out to slip over the 4” pipe (approx. 4-1/2” dia.).

If it is not possible to match the pipe and sleeve I.D. as described above, the flanges will mate, but the sleeve I.D. will protrude into the pipeline. (Fig.2) To prevent bulging and premature breaking of the Double Wall Sleeve, a steel washer must be installed as shown (Fig3). The washer should be 1/8” thick and serrated on the side facing the sleeve. The washer O.D. can be just short of the bolt holes, or it can equal the flange O.D. and bolt holes can be drilled through the washer.
INSTALLATION

Additional detailed flange connection information is available on the RV installation document or on the final page of this document.

1. Red Valves have flanges that mate with standard 125# ANSI flanges which are also equivalent to 150# flange dimensions. Due to clearances, the valves have tapped holes, not through bolts. **WARNING:** Do not use bolts that are too long. They will bottom out and may crack the valve body. Stud bolts are recommended, and be sure to tighten bolts in a star pattern, not sequentially around the flange.

2. The flanges mating to the Series 5400 should be serrated, approximately 1/16” x 90°, and must not have a raised face. Rubber will creep along smooth glass, PVC, or Teflon flanges, eventually causing a flange leak. Flange I.D. should match sleeve I.D. and should be free of sharp edges which could cut into the sleeve. Weld-neck or socket flanges are recommended. Slip-on or screw-on flanges have a larger I.D. and can cut into the rubber. If slip-on or screw-on must be used, grind off all sharp I.D. edges.

3. Do no use sharp tools such as screwdrivers or crowbars on the rubber for installation. This can damage the face flange and cause possible leakage.

4. Do not remove cable ties that are installed in the flange holes. They aid installation. First install bolts/studs in holes that don’t ave ties. Only cut and remove a tie when you are ready to install a bolt/stud in that hole.

5. The valve should be completely open before installing the valve in the pipeline or tightening flange bolts. Valves with Fail-Closed spring-return cylinders are shipped with the lower portion pressurized to keep the valve open during shipment, storage, and installation. See the supplementary sheet on installing valves with fail-closed cylinders for more information. **For valves with stem seals and body gaskets, remove the drain plug in the bottom of the casting before operating valve.**

6. Tighten all flange bolts to values listed in the table on the back page. You will not overtorque the flange rubber.

7. Pneumatic and hydraulic actuators are sized based upon the line pressure and operating pressure at the installation site. Changing the location of the valve may result in insufficient pressure to fully close the valve, or if the valve has a fail close spring, it may not fully open. Be sure to refer to the positioner manufacturer’s IOM for proper air line connections. Connecting plant air to the instrument air port can cause a flange leak. Flange I.D. should match sleeve I.D. and may crack the valve body. Stud bolts are recommended, and may be out of line. Open the valve fully, loosen all flange bolts, stroke the valve half-closed, re-open, and re-tighten the flange bolts a second time.

8. The stem must also be kept well lubricated. A grease fitting is provided by the actuator manufacturer for this purpose. Side rods should be kept lubricated where they pass through the brass guides.

9. For pneumatic valves, a pressure reducing valve and integral gauge should be placed on the air supply line and also on the instrument air supply line. This will prevent accidental damage to the unit from overpressures or surges.

10. Electrically operated valves are sized based upon the line pressure and electrical supply available at the installation site. Only qualified personnel should handle the electrical connections. Be sure to refer to the actuator manufacturer’s IOM for proper safety precautions. Reversing positive-negative connections, or connecting the wrong phase power supply can lead to severe damage.

OPERATION

1. All units are bench tested before shipping. Calibration and stroke adjustment may change during shipment. An operational test is recommended before installing the unit into the line.

2. If flanges leak during initial operation, the holes in the sleeve may be out of line. Open the valve fully, loosen all flange bolts, stroke the valve half-closed, re-open, and re-tighten the flange bolts a second time.

3. For both on-off and modulating valves, be certain that the sleeve is not slightly cracked open in the fully closed position. Operating the valve in the cracked position can shorten sleeve life, since flow velocities are very high under these conditions. If the valve does not close completely, it should be adjusted.

For electrically operated valves, the stroke limits and/or torque limits can be increased to gain additional stroke. Check the manufacturers operating instructions. For all valves, the lower pinch bar can be raised slightly to shorten the stroke.

A. With the valve open, remove both Side Rod Pins (6).
B. Close the valve to clear the Scissor Plates (3).
C. Turn each Side Rod clockwise 1-1/2 revolutions.
D. Both bars must be turned the same number of times.
E. Open the valve and reinstall Side Rod Pins (6).

MAINTENANCE

1. Lubricant should be applied every 6 months for on-off valves, and every 90 days for modulating valves.

Lubrication is required at every pivot point on the operating mechanism. This includes the pins, scissor plates, and the brass bearing blocks. A high-quality lithium grease should be used.

2. The stem must also be kept well lubricated. A grease fitting is provided by the actuator manufacturer for this purpose. Side rods should be kept lubricated where they pass through the brass guides.

3. Check the manufacturer’s IOM for maintenance schedule and procedures for positioners and manual overrides.

4. Red Valve Pneumatic Cylinders are self-lubricating and require no routine maintenance. If air leaks are detected, the O-rings can be replaced to return the cylinder to working condition. See the supplemental sheet on cylinder actuators for more information.

5. All bolts should be checked periodically in areas where vibration is present.
PNEUMATIC ACTUATOR

1. DESCRIPTION
For pneumatically operated valves using a Red Valve supplied air cylinder actuator, the actuator is bolted to an actuator mounting frame. The frame is bolted to the top half of the valve body.

The pneumatic actuator contains a piston which is connected to the piston rod, which is used to operate the valve. Fail-closed and fail-open actuators contain a spring to return the piston to the end of stroke when all air pressure is removed. Double-acting actuators do not contain a spring. The piston rod passes through the bracket, and connects to the upper pinch bar via a stem adjustment unit. (Fig.C)

2. INSTALLATION
The valve must be fully open before installation. All valves are shipped from the factory in the full open position. Valves with fail-closed actuators are provided with a manual ball valve attached to the lower port of the cylinder. **DO NOT OPEN THIS VALVE.** The ball valve is used to trap air inside the cylinder to keep the spring compressed and the valve in the open position. The handle is removed for safety, and attached to the actuator. After the valve is installed, **DO NOT REMOVE THE BALL VALVE.** Connect the operating handle and leave in the open position. The air connection must be made directly to the ball valve so that the valve can be trapped in the open position for removal.

3. OPERATION
All units are adjusted, tested, and inspected at the factory before shipment. Calibration and stroke adjustment may change during shipment. An operational test is recommended before installation in the pipeline.

To adjust the stoke, the upper bar can be adjusted using the stoke adjustment unit. (Fig.D) To lower the pinch bar, loosen both jamb nuts, and turn the adjustment mechanism counterclockwise. To raise the pinch bar, turn clockwise. Retighten the jamb nuts after adjustment. The bottom pinch bar can be raised according to the directions provided in the IOM.

4. MAINTENANCE
A spare sleeve order should be placed when this valve is placed in service. A cylinder rebuild kit for the air cylinder actuator should also be ordered at the time the valve is placed in service. The actuator was lubricated during final assembly and testing at the factory, and does not need to be lubricated at start-up. The air cylinder actuator is self-lubricating and never requires lubrication.

5. REMOVAL & REFURBISHMENT

DOUBLE-ACTING CYLINDER
Disassembly, refurbishment, reassembly, and testing of double-acting cylinders follows the same procedure for spring loaded actuators detailed below, except the there is no spring tension to relieve or re-compress.

**SPRING LOADED ACTUATORS**
Warning: spring actuators must be serviced with extreme caution. The springs are compressed and highly stressed. The top cylinder head or other parts can fly off and cause serious injury if the spring compression is not relieved properly.

1. The tie rods of spring compression loaded actuators are extra long to allow the spring compression to be relieved gradually. When disassembling the valve, **DO NOT cut off** the extra length of thread, even if it has become rusty or bent.

2. Remove all piping connected to the cylinder, and remove all accessory arms connected to the valve stem or piston rod.

3. Remove the four nuts on the tie rods below the actuator holding the cylinder to the mounting bracket. Separate the valve stem from the piston rod by loosening the jam nuts and unthreading the stem adjuster. Remove the actuator from the mounting bracket.

4. **DO NOT REMOVE** ONE TIE ROD AT A TIME. Turn one tie rod counterclockwise two or three turns, and then move to the next one. The compressed spring will push the cylinder heads apart, keeping tension on the tie rods. Slowly back off all 4 tie rods together, keeping the cylinder heads parallel. When the tie rods are completely unthreaded, the tension on the spring will be relieved.

5. Remove the piston and piston rod from the assembly. Remove the from bushing and seal from the bottom of the cylinder head. Clean out the teflon cord gasketing material from the cylinder groove in both cylinder heads. Do not use sharp tools, such as a screwdriver, which may scratch or damage the groove. Remove the O-ring from the groove in the piston.

6. Clean all parts thoroughly, including the inside of the cylinder tubing, of any foreign material.

Inspect the sliding and sealing surfaces of all parts for nicks, scratches, and signs of wear. Check and inspect the bore of the cylinder scratches, excessive wear, and any other defects that might prevent the piston O-ring from sealing properly. Inspect the piston rod for signs of wear, nicks, dents, scratches or any other condition that may damage the rod bearings or seals. In most cases a little polishing of the various parts will restore them to.
REPLACING SLEEVE

1. To remove and replace the sleeve, the entire valve must be removed from the line. Be sure that the valve is in the full open position before removing the electrical supply or air supply. On fail-closed spring-loaded actuators, air must be trapped in the lower portion of the cylinder with the ball valve provided. See the supplementary sheet on installing valves with fail-closed cylinders for more information.

NOTE: The valve may need to be partially closed during this procedure. Actuators must have manual overrides, or access to the required air or electrical supply. If neither is available, the actuator must be removed. See the supplementary sheet for your type of actuator for more information.

2. Remove all body bolts, so that the valve body may be separated. Lift the top half, with actuator and scissor mechanism, straight up to expose the sleeve.

3. Remove the screws that hold the lower tabs to the pinch bar, and the sleeve should move freely enough to allow access to the upper tabs one at a time. The actuator may need to be stroked closed to push the upper pinch bar farther out of the top body half.

4. The old sleeve is removed by bending one flange and sliding the sleeve through the mechanism.

5. The new sleeve is installed by bending one flange, sliding the sleeve through the mechanism, and attaching the tabs to the pinch bars. The top half can be lowered and re-attached to the bottom half. If provided, be sure that the rubber gasket is in place between the body halves and does not interfere with any bolt holes. Do not trim the gasket for length, it is necessary that the body gaskets extend beyond the serrated body casting flange.

6. Install cable ties to ensure that the sleeve bolt holes and the body bolt holes remain in alignment for the installation process.

7. The lower pinch bar may also be removed to make sleeve replacement easier. Remove the balance bars and side rod pins before lifting the top half of the body. Remove the screws that attach the tabs to the lower pinch bar, and slide the side rods down and out of the body. After replacing the sleeve and attaching the tabs to the upper pinch bar, lower the top half of the body, carefully guiding the side rods through the brass guides.

MECHANISM ASSEMBLY

If the scissor mechanism is removed for any reason, it is important that it is re-assembled in the correct order. (See Fig.F)

1. Place Mounting Frame (5) onto the top of the valve body. If pattern of small holes in the bottom plate does not line up with holes on the top of the valve, Mounting Frame (5) must be turned over. Secure with bolts. The “legs” of the Mounting Frame (5) are offset. Orient yourself at the front of the valve. (Fig.E)
2. Slide one Pivot Pin (7) into each leg of the Mounting Frame (5). Slide one Side Rod Pin (6) into each Side Rod (2). On the FRONT Side Rod Pin (6), slide the thick Spacer (10) onto the LEFT side of the Side Rod Pin (6), and the thin Spacer (10) onto the RIGHT side. On the REAR Side Rod Pin (6), the thin Spacer (10) goes onto the LEFT side, the thick Spacer (10) goes onto the RIGHT side.

3. The first Scissor Plate (3) is placed at the FRONT, on the RIGHT side. Slide hole in the center of the plate over the Pivot Pin (7). The Side Rod Pin (6) should protrude through one of the slots. One Brass Guide (9) is slid onto the Side Rod Pin (6) and into the slot. Another Brass Guide (9) is placed into the upper slot for later use. The second Scissor Plate (3) is installed in the same manner on the REAR RIGHT Side. Repeat the procedure for the LEFT side Scissor Plate (3), beginning with the REAR plate first, and then the FRONT plate. Secure the Scissor Plates (3) with a NUT (12) on each end of the Pivot Pins (7).

4. Insert the Stem Pin (8). Place a Brass Guide (9) into the RIGHT outer plate, slide the Stem Pin (8) through both Brass Bearing Blocks (9) on the RIGHT side. Raise the Stem (1) until the Stem Pin (8) aligns with the hole in the Stem (1). The Center Pin (1) can then be slid through the Brass Guide (9) in the inner plate on the LEFT side, and a Brass Guide (9) can be added to the outer plate. Secure the Stem Pin (8) with a Threaded Spacer (11) on each side.

5. Notice that each Spreader Bar (4) has a spacer block at each end, one thick, and one thin. Slide the Spreader Bar (4) onto the Side Rod Pins (6) and secure with a Nut (12). One the RIGHT Side, the thick spacer goes towards the FRONT, and the thin spacer goes toward REAR. Repeat the procedure for the LEFT side, placing the thick spacer to the REAR and the thin spacer to the FRONT. Once all parts have been assembled, secure all three rods by adding a second Nut (12) and tighten. Secure with a fastening compound such as Lock-Tite.
## SERIES 5400 FLANGE BOLTING SPECIFICATIONS

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A. Standard pinch valves 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. 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. Mating flange ID must match the pinch valve sleeve ID.

D. When installing a pinch 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.

E. When bolting a pinch 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.

F. Torque all the 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 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.

## RED VALVE WARRANTY

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