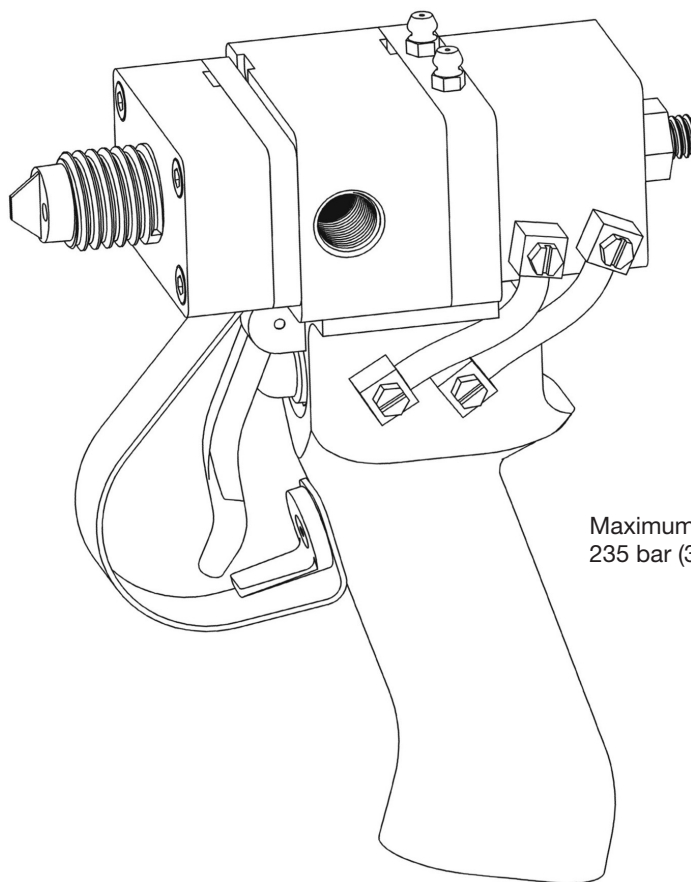


Series 450 Autovalve / Snuff Back

Instructions / Parts Lists



Maximum operating pressure
235 bar (3500 psi)

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Operation

The ON-OFF operation of the valve is controlled by movement of the piston inside the air cylinder (1).

In the OFF position, the piston retracts and the dual spool valves (75) seat into the front lip seals (3) which are located inside the seat plate (8).

In the ON position, the piston and the spool valves move forward (75) which allows A & B fluids to pass through the manifold.

To eliminate drooling or stringing of the adhesive out of the mix tube, the spool valves (75) can be retracted through the front lip seals (3). This snuff-back action is controlled by the adjustment screw (70) on the back of the air cylinder (1).

The snuff-back should be adjusted so the fluid just stops at the end of the mixing tube. Excessive snuff-back will cause premature plugging of the valve.

A disposable Series 160 mixer can be attached to the manifold. If the operating pressure exceeds 10 bar (150 psi), we recommend a metal jacket be used over the plastic mix tube. Refer to Catalog for details.

NOTE: For all reference numbers in parenthesis, see pages 7–11.

Your 450 AUTOVALVE in general...

- Designed to dispense two-component adhesives and sealants..
- Dispenses low or high viscosity urethanes, epoxies and silicones.
- Can be mounted for beads or timed shots; optional handle is available for hand held applications.
- Provides an ON-OFF function. The metering of the adhesives in the proper ratio of A:B is controlled by the metering pumps. A stationary mount or gantry installation requires a swivel mounting bracket. To complete purging, turn the valve with the mixer pointing up and dispense A & B.

Installation

Connect Supply Lines

The A & B fluid hoses are connected to the side of the valve body (7), between the valve and the pumps, and should be as short as possible. It is a good practice to install check valves in the hoses just before the valve.

For stationary mount, the air lines will be connected to the side of the air cylinder (1). Air to the front of the cylinder to close and air to the back to open. If the optional handle is used, air is connected to the barbed fitting (105) on the side of the handle.

The air line should have minimum pressure of 5.5 bar (80 psi).

Startup

With the hand-held model, start metering pumps and purge the air out of the A & B hoses and Autovalve. After the A and B fluids come out of the manifold, attach a mixer to the manifold and hold the valve upside down with the mixer pointing up. Dispensing A & B will purge the last pockets of air in the valve body.

A stationary mount or gantry installation requires a swivel mounting bracket. To complete purging, turn the valve with the mixer pointing up and dispense A & B.

1. Take a ratio check by weight of A:B after the manifold. The Autovalve does No Metering. The Volume Ratio of A:B is controlled by the metering pumps. However, between the metering pumps and the Autovalve are hoses. These hoses will expand under pressure and cause lead-lag problems. Lead-lag refers to the uneven starting of the A fluid before the B fluid. Nordson EFD offers 1:1 and wide ratio manifolds to reduce this problem. The selection of the correct manifold depends on both the volume and viscosity ratio of A and B. Consult EFD Technical Services for details at 800-556-3484.
2. Adjust snuff-back screw (70) for minimum snuff-back. See page 12 of this manual for valve details.

Maintenance

Two-component adhesives are messy and difficult to handle. It is important to note that routine maintenance must be observed. If one delays maintenance until the valve stops, cleanup is very time consuming.

Routine Maintenance

1. Release pressures in A and B fluid hoses. Remove manifold and clean. We recommend overnight soaking in a suitable solvent.
2. At the end of each shift, lubricate the back seals. We recommend auto grease. Pump auto grease through the grease fitting (4) and out the plug (11). Using extra grease will extend seal life.
3. To clean the spool valves (75), first release the pressure on the A and B fluid hose. Then remove the manifold, and advance the snuff-back adjustment (70) until the spool valves are protruding from the seat plate (8). With a toothbrush or rag soaked in solvent, brush the spool valves clean. Protective eyeglasses should be used.

NOTE: With moisture sensitive urethanes or epoxies the spool valves must be cleaned. After cleaning, coat them spool valves with auto grease.

4. The O-rings (6) and lip seals (3) are in a very harsh environment. In addition to resisting the adhesives, they must be inert to the strong solvents used in cleaning the valve.

Maintenance (continued)

The following options are available:

A. Chemical Compatibility with O-Rings

Usually the adhesives do not chemically attack the O-rings. However, during cleaning the valves are often immersed in aggressive solvents. The following types of O-rings are available:

Type of O-Ring	Color	Recommended for Contact With...
Viton®	Green or brown	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Methylene Chloride • Alcohol • Carbon Tetrachloride
EP	Black	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • MEK • Ketones • Acetone
PTFE	Clear / orange	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • All chemicals • Encapsulated

B. Selection of Lip Seals

The lip seal consists of a U-cup with an interior O-ring. The following types of lip seals are available:

- Polyurethane U-cup with an interior Viton O-Ring. Good general purpose seal with good chemical and wear resistance. U-cup colored orange with a brown Viton O-Ring. Recommended for filled abrasive adhesives.
- Viton U-cup with an interior Viton O-Ring. Good chemical resistance, but it is a soft seal with poor wear resistance. U-cup colored black with brown O-Ring.
- UHMPE U-cup and an interior SS Spring. Excellent chemical and wear resistance. U-cup colored white with SS Spring. Other combinations available upon request.

C. Chemical Compatability

The "A" or "B" resins can attack the seal material. An attacked seal will swell or become brittle in 3 to 14 days. If this occurs, choose an alternate seal material. Listed below are the general guidelines.

For specific recommendations for Meter Mix Dispensing, contact our Technical Service Department at 800-556-3484.

Part #7702281 (Polyurethane)

Color: Orange

Epoxies — General

Polyurethanes

Polysulfides

Part #7702277 (UHMPE)

Color: White

Epoxies — Amine Catalyst

Polyesters

Acrylics

Maintenance (continued)

Disassembly And Cleaning

1. Remove the manifold and seat plate (8). Pry bar slots are provided.
2. Remove the air cylinder bolts (2) and wiggle the air cylinder apart. If the assembly is frozen, use the pry bar slots on the valve body (7) to separate the valve body (7) from the tie plate (5). Insert flat pieces of metal between the valve body and the tie plate as per Figure 1. Thread the manifold screws (36) into the back of the tie plate and push the valve body apart. Apply uniform pressure to prevent the body from cocking and bending the spool valves (75).
3. Once apart, the parts should be cleaned. We recommend overnight soaking in suitable solvent. All parts can be soaked except the handle and air cylinder.

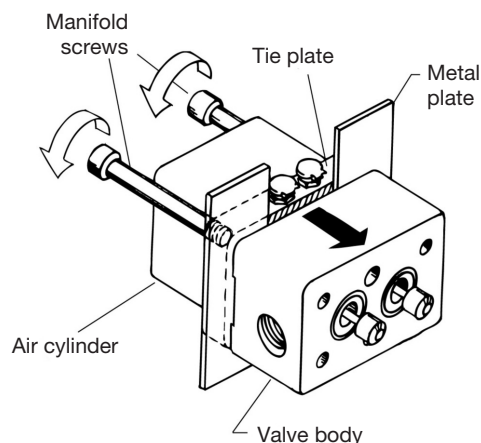


Figure 1

Rebuilding the Autovalve

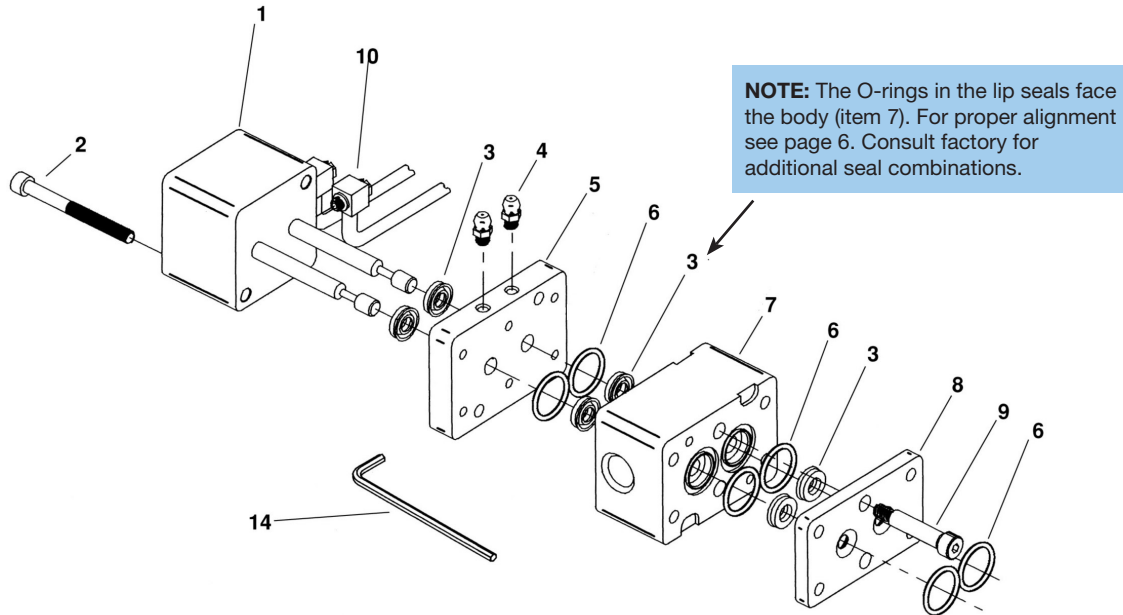
1. After cleaning, inspect the following components:
 - a. Spool valves (75) for wear
 - b. Lip seals (3) — both outside and inside lip
 - c. Manually retract and extend spool valves from air cylinder (1).
 - d. If the optional handle is used, connect air into the inlet and check 4-way action of cartridge valve (103).
2. Lubricate lip seals (3) and shafts (75) with auto grease.
3. Insert four back lip seals (3): two into tie plate (5) and two into the valve body (7). The lip seals are two piece: an O-Ring and U-cup. They should always be installed with the O-Ring facing the material inlets (body of the valve).
4. Insert two front lip seals (3) that are located in the seat plate (8). They should be installed with the O-Ring facing the back of the valve (facing the air cylinder). Optional Installation: With O-Ring facing manifold. Used when minimum snuff-back is required. However, reduced seal life can be expected.
5. Insert O-Rings (6) and assemble air cylinder (1) and valve body (7). and the valve body (7) and engage the screws (2).
6. Push seat plate (8) through spool valves (75) and tighten bolts (9).

Final QC Check

Before the manifold is assembled, we recommend the following procedure:

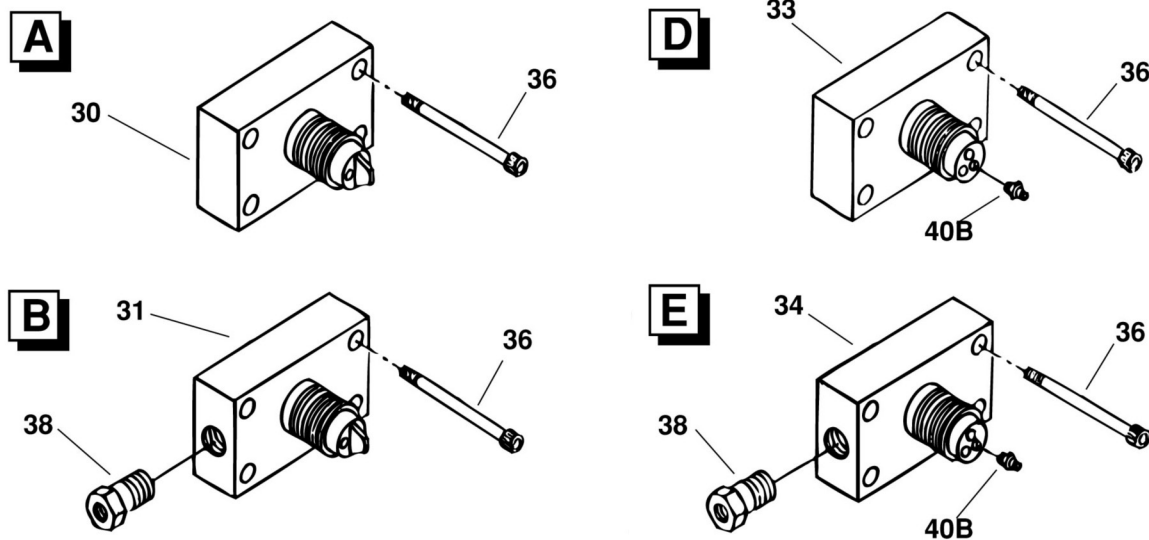
1. Check the open and close movement of the spool valves (75).
2. Check gap between seat plate (8) and spool valve (75). Refer to Figure 2 when spool valves are in open position.
3. Check front lip seals by pressurizing the valve body (7) and applying soapy water into the front seals. The valve body can be pressurized by connecting air into the A and B inlet ports on the valve body.
4. Seat plate (8)

Maintenance (continued)



P/N	Ref. #	Qty.	Description
7702265	1	1	Single Air Cylinder 5/16" stroke with Hardened SS Shafts
—	2	2	SHCS 10-24 x 2" long for 450 Series
—	3A	6	Lip Seal: Viton U-cup and Viton O-Ring
7702281	3B	6	Lip Seal: PU U-cup and Viton O-Ring
7702280	3C	6	Lip Seal: PTFE U-cup and PTFE O-Ring
7702277	3D	6	Lip Seal: UHMPE U-cup and SS Spring
7702268	4	2	Grease Fitting, 10-32
7702270	5	1	Aluminum Tie Plate
—	6A	6	Viton O-Ring
—	6B	6	EP O-Ring
7702275	6C	6	PTFE Encapsulated O-Ring
7702284	7A	1	AlumBody 9/16-18 Inlet Ports for 450 Valve
—	7B	1	SS Body 9/16-18 Inlet Ports for 450 Valve
7702288	8	1	Stainless Steel Seat Plate for 450 Valve
—	9	2	Stainless Steel SHSS 1/4" Dia x 1 1/2" long for 450 Valve
—	10	2	Assembled Air Tube and Fitting 10-32 Thread
7702364	11	1	Auto Grease 3 oz Cartridge (not shown)
—	12	1	Grease Gun 3 oz Cartridge Complete (not shown)
—	13	1	Adjustment Screw Driver for 450 Valve

Manifolds for Series 160 Disposable Mixers



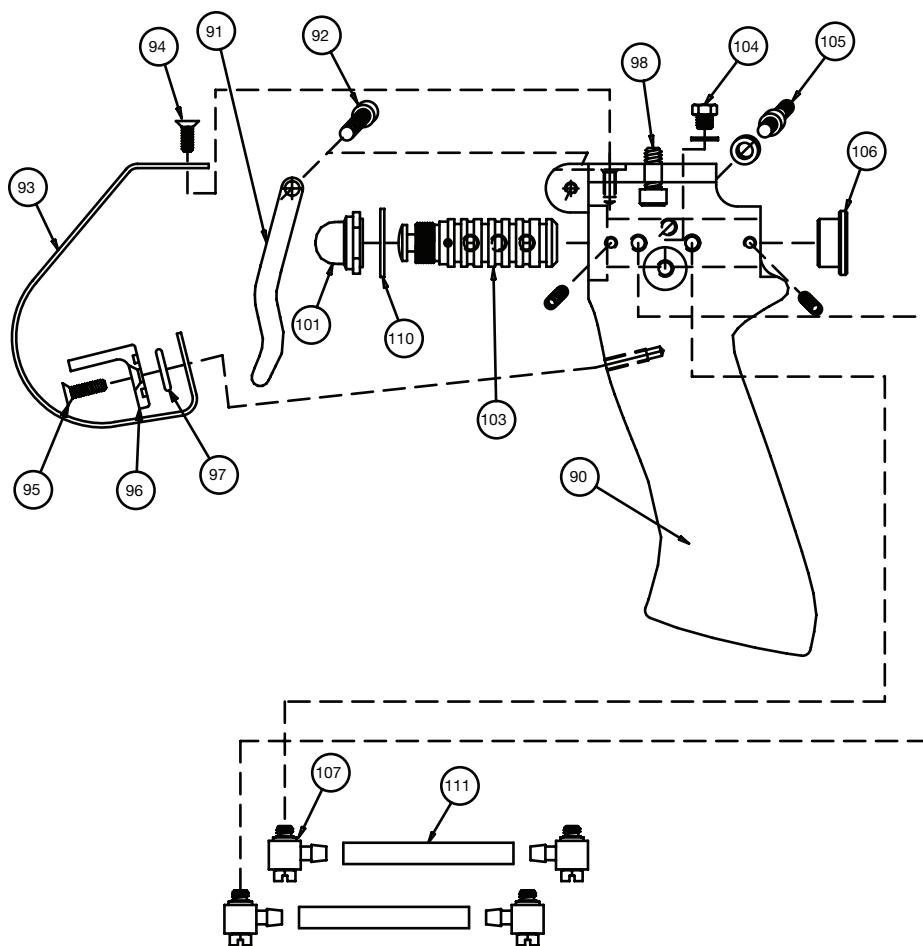
P/N	Ref. #	Qty.	Description
7702292	30A	1	Alum Manifold / 160 Ser. 7/8-14 Thread, 1:1 Ratio
7702293	30B	1	SS Manifold / 160 Ser. 7/8-14 Thread, 1:1 Ratio
—	31A	1	Alum Manifold / 160 Ser. 7/8-14 Thread, 1:1 Ratio with 1/4 NPT Solvent Port
—	33A	1	Alum Manifold / 160 Ser. 7/8-14 Thread, Wide Ratio
7702294	36	4	SHCS 10-24 x 2 1/2" long for 450 Manifold
—	38A	1	Check Valve: Brass Solvent Flush
—	38B	1	Check Valve: Stainless Steel Solvent Flush
—	40A	1	Polypropylene fitting, 10-32 with 0.09" orifice
—	40B	1	Polypropylene fitting, 10-32 with 0.06" orifice
—	40C	1	Polypropylene fitting, 10-32 with 0.04" orifice

Mount

Hand Held with Pneumatic Switch #7701977

NOTE: Ref. numbers 101, 103, and 110 can be purchased assembled as P/N 7702388.

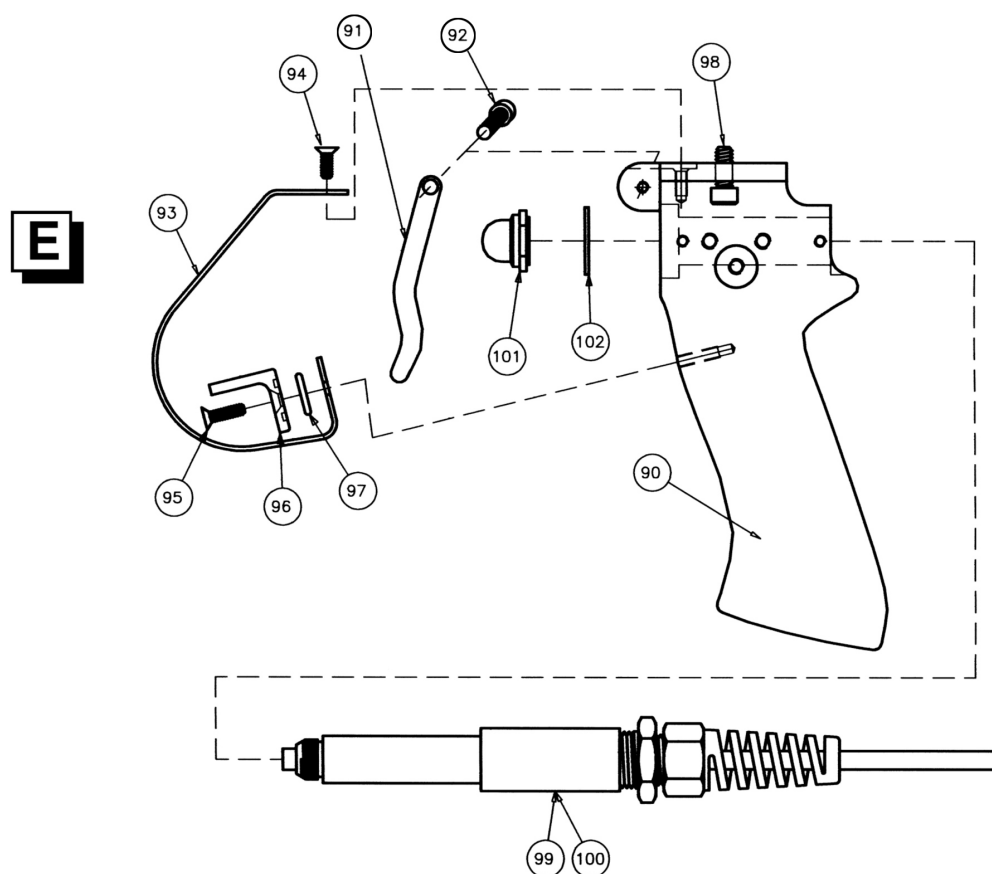
P/N	Ref. #	Qty.	Description
—	90	1	Handle / Aluminum / Cartridge Option
7702317	91	1	Trigger for Mount H or E
—	92	1	Trigger Bolt, 8-32 x 3/4" long
—	93	1	Trigger Guard for 400 / 450 Switches
—	94	1	6-32 x 5/16" FSHCS for 400 / 450 Switches
—	95	1	6-32 x 1/2" FSHCS for 400 / 450 Switches
—	96	1	Safety Lock for 400 / 450 Switches
—	97	1	1/2" OD x 1/16" O'Ring for 400 / 450 Switches
—	98	2	SHCS 10-24 x 1/2" long for Mount S, E or H
—	101	1	Protective Rubber Boot for 400 / 450 Switches
—	103	1	4 Way Cartridge Valve for Pneumatic Handle
—	104	1	Brass Plug 10-32
—	105	1	10-32 Barbed Air Fitting
—	106	1	3/4" Dia. Acetal Plug
—	107	4	10-32 UNF Elbow Air Fitting
—	110	1	E-Clip
7702308	111	2	1/8" ID Air Tubing x 2.00"



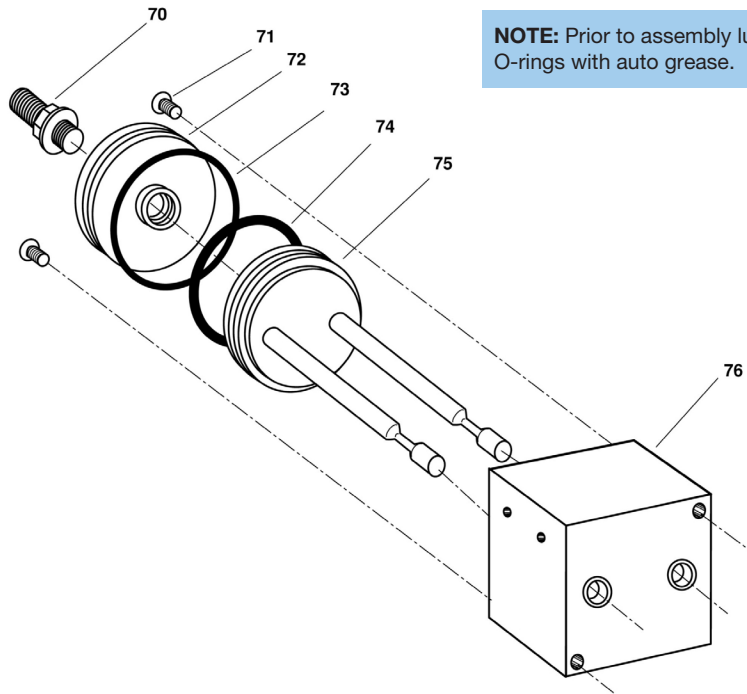
Mount (continued)

#7701971 Hand Held — Electric Momentary Switch (24 Volt)

P/N	Ref. #	Qty.	Description
—	90	1	Handle / Aluminum / Cartridge Option
7702317	91	1	Trigger for Mount H or E
—	92	1	Trigger Bolt, 8-32 x 3/4" long
—	93	1	Trigger Guard for 400 / 450 Switches
—	94	1	6-32 x 5/16" FSHCS for 400 / 450 Switches
—	95	1	6-32 x 1/2" FSHCS for 400 / 450 Switches
—	96	1	Safety Lock for 400 / 450 Switches
—	97	1	1/2" OD x 1/16" O'Ring for 400 / 450 Switches
—	98	2	SHCS 10-24 x 1/2" long for Mount S, E or H
7702376	99	1	Momentary Switch Assembly for 400 / 450 Series
7702378	100	1	Complete Push on / off Switch Assembly for 400 / 450 Series
—	101	1	Protective Rubber Boot for 400 / 450 Switches
—	102	1	CS Flat Washer for 400 / 450 Switches



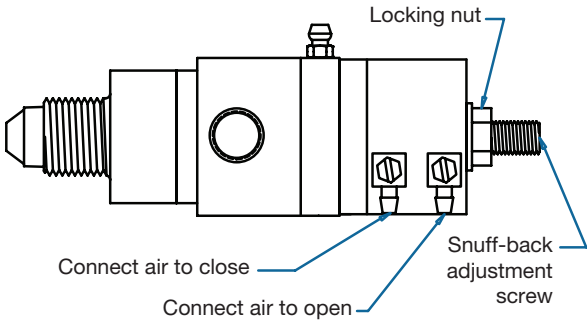
Air Cylinder — #7702265 Hardened SS Shafts



P/N	Ref. #	Qty.	Description
—	70	1	Snuff-Back Adjustment Screw
—	71	2	BHCS 1/4-20 x 1/2" long
7702402	72	1	Aluminum Back Plate
—	73	1	Brown Viton O-Ring (Back Plate)
—	74	1	Brown Viton O-Ring (Piston)
7702400	75	1	Replacement Piston and Hardened SS Shafts
7702074	76	1	Replacement Body with Front Seals

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Snuff-Back Adjustment: Advancing (clockwise turn) the snuff-back adjustment screw reduces snuff-back, retracting it (counterclockwise) increases the snuff-back. Since excessive snuff-back action can cause plugging of the valve, adjust for minimum snuff-back as follows: With the pumps on and valve in the “closed” position, advance the adjustment screw until material begins to drool out of the static mixer (acting as if the valve is open). Then retract the screw just until fluid stops, at the minimum snuff-back position. If material drools or drips during operation, slightly increase the snuff-back until the desired action is achieved.



Spare Parts Kits

450 Autogun Repair Kits

Each kit contains a complete set of lip seals, O-rings, and front seals.

NOTE: Each 450 AutoGun comes with (2) front seals to be discarded.

Consult Factory for additional seal combinations.

AV-RK-TGT #7704093

Ref. No.	Qty.	Description
13	2	PTFE Front Seal
3	6	UHMPE U-cup & SS Spring
6	6	PTFE encapsulated O-ring

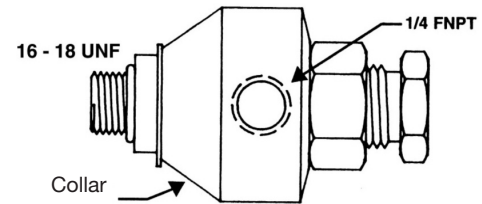
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Ref. No.	Qty.	Description
13	2	PTFE Front Seal
3	6	PU U-cup & Viton O-ring
6	6	Viton (brown) O-ring

Accessories

Carbon Steel Adapters

P/N	Description
7702420	90 degree Elbow with 3/8 FNPS
7702425	Straight Adapter with 3/8 FNPS



Ratio Check Cap

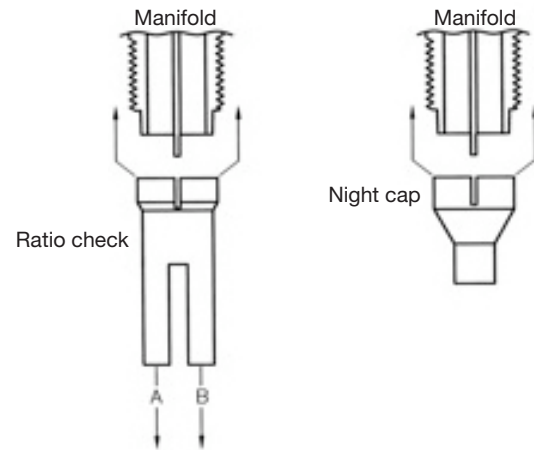
In order to ensure correct A/B ratio, ratio checks should be performed regularly with our Ratio Check Cap.

Night Cap

At night or on weekends, it is a good idea to seal your system. After the static mixer is removed, a night cap can be installed. This seals the system and makes startup simpler.

P/N	Description
7701184*	Ratio Check Cap with retaining nut
7701181*	Night Cap with retaining nut

*Use with 1:1 ratio manifolds only.



Troubleshooting

Problem	Possible Cause	Solution
No flow	Manifold clogged	Remove manifold and clean
	Air pressure too low	Requires 5.5 bar (80 psi) inlet pressure
	Air valve damaged	See Note 1 below
	Valve fouled	See Note 2 below Disassemble (see Maintenance)
Valve leaks	Snuff-back	Retract snuff-back screw (70)
	Spool valve (75) clogged	See Note 3 below
	Seals (3) worn	Replace seals (see Maintenance)
	Spool valve (75) worn	Inspect and replace if required
Valve drools	Air trapped in valve	Replace seals (see Maintenance)
	Seals (3) worn	Review Startup procedure
Off ratio A:B	Metering pumps	Check pumps
A & B back up into tie plate	Seals (3) damaged	Replace back lip seals (page 6)
Material not mixing	Mixer fouled	Replace mixer
	Off ratio A:B	Take ratio check
Mixer leaks	Manifold fouled	Clean nose of manifold
Lip seals deteriorated	Chemical attack	See Maintenance

NOTE 1: Inspect air cartridge valve (103) in handle (90). The On-Off function of the valve is controlled by this cartridge valve in the handle. The air cylinder requires air in the front to close and air in the back to open.

To inspect the cartridge valve, disconnect the two air lines on the air cylinder (1). When the trigger is depressed, air should be flowing only through the back air line and not through the front air line. When the trigger (91) is released the air should reverse.

NOTE 2: Advance the snuff-back screw (70) and pulse air into the air cylinder. Repeat 3 or 4 times.

NOTE 3: First release the pressure on the A and B hoses. Remove the manifold and advance the snuff-back screw (70) until the spool valves are protruding from the seat plate (8). With a toothbrush or rag soaked in solvent, brush the valves clean. After cleaning, depress trigger to retract spool valve.



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