DATA SHEET

PRESSURE-SENSITIVE REGULATING UNLOADER



Brass Model: 7600\$



FEATURES

- Maintains full system pressure while running in bypass with minimal load on pump.
- Provides system pressure control and protection for single gun (non-weep) applications.
- $\bullet \ \ Compact \ size \ allows \ for \ easy \ installation.$

SPECIFICATIONS	U.S.	Metric
Flow Range	2.0-5.0 gpm	7.6-19.0 lpm
Pressure Range	700–3500 psi	48–241 bar
Maximum Temperature	180° F	82° C
Inlet Port	3/8" NPT(M)	3/8" NPT(M)
Bypass Port	3/8" NPT(F)	3/8" NPT(F)
Outlet Port	3/8" NPT(M)	3/8" NPT(M)
Weight	21.6 oz	0.61 kg
Dimensions	3.25 x 1.0 x 5.0"	82 x 25 x 127 mm

Use only at above specifications to ensure proper unloader life performance.

This Pressure-Sensitive Regulating Unloader can be converted to a Secondary Relief Valve. See page 4 for Relief Valve conversion.

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SELECTION

This pressure-sensitive regulating unloader is designed for systems with single pumps, solenoid (gate) valves and nozzles. "Weep" guns are not recommended with this unloader.

Note: For multiple-pump systems, it is best to use a pressure regulator, not a pressure-sensitive regulating unloader.

This unloader should meet both the desired system flow (combined nozzle flow rate requirement) and the desired system pressure.

Notice: Operation below the minimum flow of the unloader causes the unloader to cycle. Operation above the maximum flow of the unloader causes premature unloader cycling and wear, preventing the desired system pressure.

INSTALLATION

This unloader will operate when mounted in any direction. However, keeping the plumbing to a minimum and the hex adjusting cap easily accessible is preferred. The preferred mounting location is directly onto the pump discharge manifold.

The inlet connection is a $\frac{3}{8}$ " NPT(M) sized port. An arrow cast into the body indicates the direction of flow. Liquid from the discharge of the pump goes into this connection.

The discharge connection is a $\frac{3}{6}$ " NPT(M) sized port (hex end). An arrow and the word OUT are cast into the body indicates the direction of flow. Plumbing for spray guns, solenoid (gate) valves or nozzles connects here.

The bypass connection is a 3%" NPT(F) sized port located on the bottom. Bypass liquid is directed out of this port and can be routed to a reservoir (preferred method), drain or pump inlet.

OPERATION

This pressure-sensitive regulating unloader holds the established system pressure in the discharge line when the trigger gun or solenoid (gate) valve is closed, or the nozzle is clogged, thus bypassing all unrequired flow. Squeezing the trigger gun or opening the solenoid (gate) valve will close off the bypass and return to established system pressure.

PRESSURE ADJUSTMENT

Note: Pressure is not set at the factory.

- 1. Setting and adjusting the unloader pressure must be done while the system is running.
- 2. Start the system with unloader backed off to the lowest pressure setting (counterclockwise direction).
- Increase the unloader pressure setting by turning the adjusting cap clockwise.
- 4. Squeeze the trigger and read the pressure on the gauge at the pump.

Note: Do not read the pressure at the gun or nozzle.

- 5. If more pressure is desired, release the trigger, turn hex adjusting cap one quarter turn in clockwise direction.
- 6. Squeeze the trigger and read the pressure.
- 7. Repeat this process until desired system pressure is reached.

Notice: A minimum of 5% of the flow through the unloader should bypass for proper unloader performance. If the entire unloader flow pumps through the nozzle (zero bypass), the valve can easily be set for pressure higher than the desired pressure, causing a malfunction or premature wear.

If desired system pressure cannot be reached, review the TROUBLESHOOTING chart.

Note: Do not adjust unloader pressure setting to compensate for a worn nozzle. Check the nozzle as part of the regular maintenance and replace if worn.

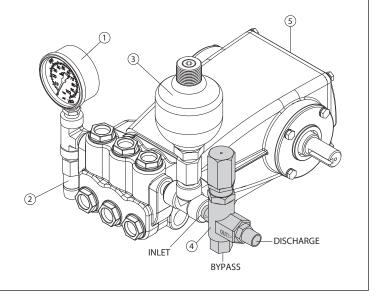
Note: A secondary pressure relief device (e.g. pop-off valve, safety valve) should be used along with this pressure-sensitive regulating unloader. Final adjustment for the secondary pressure relief valve should be approximately 200 psi above the system operating pressure.

Note: By removing the check valve and spring, this unloader can function as a relief valve.

See page 4 for Relief Valve conversion.

TYPICAL UNLOADER INSTALLATION

- 1. Pressure Gauge
- 2. Relief Valve (Shown as a Secondary Relief Valve)
- 3. Pulsation Dampener
- 4. Pressure-Sensitive Regulating Unloader
- 5. Triplex Plunger Pump



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SERVICING

Disassembly

- 1. Disconnect bypass, discharge and inlet plumbing from unloader.
- 2. Remove unloader from pump.
- 3. Secure body of unloader in a vise with hex adjusting cap facing up.
- Remove discharge fitting and O-ring, spring, check valve and O-ring, collar, check valve seat and O-ring.

Note: If check valve seat remains in the unloader exercise caution in removing to avoid damage to unloader walls and seat.

- Examine check valve, check valve seat, collar and discharge fitting for wear, spring for wear or fatigue and O-rings for cuts or wear. Replace as needed.
- **Note:** While the discharge fitting is removed, inspect sealing area where the check valve seat makes contact within the internal body of the unloader for grooves, pitting and wear. If damage is found, stop the repair and replace with complete new unloader. If not, proceed with disassembly.
- If supplied with a lock nut, the lock nut does not need to be removed. Turn lock nut down towards unloader body.
- 7. Remove hex adjusting cap by turning in a counterclockwise direction.
- 8. Remove spring and spring retainer.
- Examine spring and spring retainer for scale build up, fatigue or wear. Replace as needed.
- 10. Remove bypass fitting with O-ring from bottom port.
- 11. Remove seat with O-ring from the male threaded side of bypass fitting.
- 12. Examine seat for scale build up, scoring and wear and replace as needed. Examine O-ring for cuts or wear and replace as needed.
- 13. Removal of piston stem and valve/ball assembly requires the use of a small hex socket and screwdriver. Insert screwdriver from the top and place in slotted head of piston stem. Insert small hex socket into bottom port and secure valve/ball assembly. Unthread by turning in a counterclockwise direction.
- 14. Examine piston stem and valve/ball assembly for scale build up, scoring, pitting and wear and replace as needed. Examine O-rings and backup ring for cuts or wear. Replace as needed.
- 15. Remove piston retainer with O-rings and backup rings by turning in a counterclockwise direction.
- Examine piston retainer for wear. Examine O-rings and backup ring for cuts or wear. Replace as needed.

Reassembly

- Lubricate and install small body backup ring and then body O-ring into unloader body.
- 2. Lubricate and install O-ring over threads of piston retainer.
- 3. Carefully hand thread piston retainer with small diameter hole facing down into unloader body. Tighten with a wrench.
- Lubricate and install O-ring over piston stem head, then install backup ring into groove of piston stem.
- 5. Apply a drop of Loctite® 242® to the last few threads of the piston stem.
- 6. Insert piston stem from the top through the piston retainer until seated.
- 7. Using the same tools in removing the piston stem and valve/ball assembly, place valve/ball assembly into hex socket tool with ball surface facing down into socket. Place screwdriver tip into piston stem slotted head. Thread piston stem into valve/ball assembly.
- 8. Place bypass fitting on flat surface with male threads facing up.
- Lubricate and install O-ring onto seat. Press seat into bypass fitting. Hand thread bypass fitting into lower port of unloader body, then tighten with wrench.
- 10. Lubricate and install O-ring on discharge fitting.
- 11. Lubricate and install O-ring onto check valve seat. Insert check valve seat with O-ring into unloader body. Install collar with notches facing in towards check valve seat. Insert spring into discharge fitting, then insert check valve with small step end into spring. Hand thread into unloader body and tighten with wrench.
- 12. Place spring retainer on top of piston stem.
- 13. Place spring on to spring retainer.
- 14. Thread hex adjusting cap onto piston retainer.
- 15. Remove unloader from vise.
- 16. Re-install unloader onto pump.
- 17. Reconnect bypass, discharge and inlet plumbing to unloader.
- 18. Proceed to PRESSURE ADJUSTMENT.

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TROUBLESHOOTING

Unloader cycles	Worn O-ring or check valve Fitting leaking downstream Air in system, poor connection	O-ring in gun worn Insufficient flow through unloader
Liquid leaking from bottom	O-ring for seat or inlet fitting cut or worn	O-ring for seat cut or worn
Liquid leaking from middle	O-ring for piston cut or worn	O-rings for piston stem cut or worn
Unloader will not come up to pressure	Not properly sized for system pressure Foreign material in unloader Piston stem O-rings worn	Nozzle wom or too large Insufficient flow to pump
Extreme pressure spikes	Adjusting handle turned completely into unloader Restricted bypass or no bypass	System flow exceeds unloader rating
Filtration	Clean filter on regular schedule to avoid cavitation	

PARTS LIST

ITEM P/N MATL **DESCRIPTION** QTY 402 45197 BB Cap, Hex Adjusting 1 403 45201 BB Nut, Lock (M25 x 1) 1 408 45198 ZΡ Spring, Pressure 1 410 45199 STZP Retainer, Spring 45694 412 S Stem, Piston (M5) 414 20184 **PTFE** Backup Ring, Piston Stem 1 415 14190 **NBR** O-Ring, Piston Stem-70D 425 45200 BB Retainer, Piston 428 26133 NBR O-Ring, Piston Guide-80D 1 429 14759 **NBR** O-Ring, Body 1 430 107675 **PTFE** Backup Ring, Body 45716 S Valve and Ball Assembly (M5) 435 1 436 107680 S Seat 1 437 26127 **NBR** O-Ring, Seat 1 438 45206 S Seat, Check Valve 1 439 45205 BB Collar 1 440 BB **Body** 1 441 13963 **NBR** O-Ring, Check Valve Seat-70D 1

O-Ring, Adapter-80D

Spring, Check Valve

437, 441, 442, 446)

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Valve, Check with O-Ring

Fitting, Bypass [3/8" NPT(F)]

O-Ring, Discharge Fitting-80D

Fitting, Discharge [3/8" NPT(M)]

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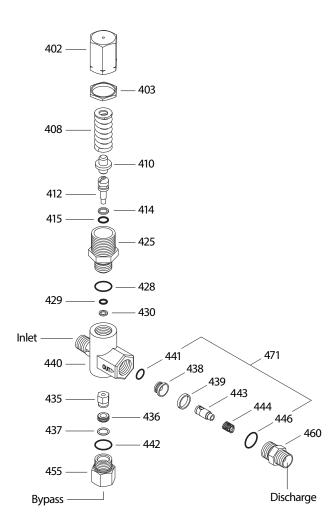
Kit, Check Valve (Includes: 438, 439, 441, 443

Italics are optional items.

MATERIAL CODES (Not Part of Part Number):

BB=Brass NBR=Medium Nitrile (Buna-N) PTFE=Pure Polytetrafluoroethylene
S=304SS STZP=Steel/Zinc Plated ZP=Zinc Plated

EXPLODED VIEW





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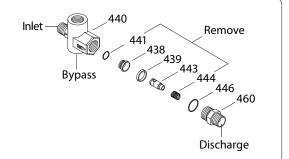
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REGULATING UNLOADER TO RELIEF VALVE CONVERSION

The 7600S Pressure-Sensitive Regulating Unloader is typically used as a primary pressure regulating device. It can be converted to a Relief Valve to be used as a secondary pressure relief device by removing the discharge check valve with O-ring, spring, collar and check valve seat with O-ring.

Unloader PN	Modifications	Converted Relief Valve PN
7600S	Remove parts 438, 439, 441, 443, 444	7600S.100 (NBR Seals)



△ CAUTIONS AND WARNINGS

All high-pressure systems require a primary pressure regulating device (i.e. regulator, unloader) and a secondary pressure relief device (i.e. pop-off valve, relief valve). Failure to install such relief devices could result in personal injury or damage to pump or property. Cat Pumps does not assume any liability or responsibility for the operation of a customer's high-pressure system. Read all CAUTIONS and WARNINGS before commencing service or operation of any high-pressure system. The CAUTIONS and WARNINGS are included in each Service Manual and with each Accessory Data sheet. CAUTIONS and WARNINGS can also be viewed online at www.catpumps.com/dynamic-literature/cautions-and-warnings or can be requested directly from Cat Pumps.

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