DATA SHEET PRESSURE-SENSITIVE REGULATING UNLOADERS



Brass Models:

7693, 7694



Model 7693 Shown

FEATURES

- Provides system pressure setting and protection for single gun, non-weep and single pump installation.
- Maintains full system pressure while running in bypass with minimal load on pump.
- Compact size allows for easy installation.
- Color-coded spring aids in easy identification and can be quickly transferred from one model to another.
- Unloader comes standard with NBR O-rings. Alternative O-ring materials are available for higher temperatures or chemical compatibility.

| SPECIFICATIONS | U.S. Measure | Metric Measure | |
|----------------|--------------|----------------|--|
| 7693 | | | |
| Flow Range | 2.5–10.5 gpm | 9.5–40 lpm | |
| Pressure Range | 232–2320 psi | 16–160 bar | |
| Weight | 1.56 lbs | 0.71 kg | |
| 7694 | | · | |
| Flow Range | 2.5–10.5 gpm | 9.5–40 lpm | |
| Pressure Range | 406–4060 psi | 28–280 bar | |
| Weight | 1.63 lbs | 0.74 kg | |

| COMMON SPECIFICATIONS | U.S. | Metric |
|---------------------------|---------------------|-----------------|
| Maximum Temperature (NBR) | 140° F | 60° C |
| Inlet Ports (2) | 3⁄8" NPT(F) | 3∕8" NPT(F) |
| Discharge Port | 3⁄8" NPT(F) | 3∕8" NPT(F) |
| Bypass Ports (2) | 3⁄8" NPT(F) | 3∕8" NPT(F) |
| Dimensions | 7.51 x 3.25 x 1.97" | 190 x 82 x 50mm |

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

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

ALTERNATIVE O-RING CONFIGURATION

| MATERIAL | SUFFIX CODE | MAXIMUM TEMPERATURE | | |
|----------|-------------|---------------------|----------|--|
| NBR | _ | 140° F | (60° C) | |
| FPM | .0110 | 240° F | (115° C) | |

SELECTION

These pressure-sensitive regulating unloaders are designed for systems with single pumps, solenoid (gate) valves, nozzles and shut-off guns. Weep guns are not recommended with these unloaders.

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

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

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

INSTALLATION

These unloaders will operate properly when mounted in any direction. However, keeping the plumbing to a minimum and the hex adjusting nut easily accessible is preferred. The ideal mounting location is directly onto the pump's discharge manifold.

There are two (2) inlet connections on these unloaders. Both are 3/8" NPT(F) ports and are located on the short extension side and bottom. An arrow and the word IN are marked into the body indicating the direction of flow. Liquid from the discharge of the pump goes into this connection.

The discharge connection is a 3/3" NPT(F) port. An arrow and the word OUT are marked into the body indicating the direction of flow. Plumbing to the spray guns, solenoid (gate) valves or nozzles connect here.

There are two (2) bypass ports on these unloaders. Both are 3/8" NPT(F) ports and are located on the side of the body. The word BY-PASS is marked into the body. Bypass liquid is directed out of either of these ports and can be routed to a reservoir (preferred method), drain or pump inlet.

OPERATION

These unloaders hold 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 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).
- 3. Increase the unloader pressure setting by turning the cap handle 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 cap handle nut or handle one quarter turn in clockwise direction.
- 6. Squeeze the trigger and read the pressure.
- 7. Repeat this process until desired system pressure is reached.
- 8. If desired system pressure cannot be reached, review the TROUBLESHOOTING chart.
- **NOTICE** A secondary pressure safety relief device (e.g. pop-off valve, relief valve) should be used along with this pressure-sensitive regulating unloader. Final adjustment for the secondary relief valve should be approximately 200 psi above the system operating pressure.

Note: A minimum of 5% of the flow through the unloader should bypass for proper regulator 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

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

🖋 See page 4 for Relief Valve conversion.

TYPICAL UNLOADER INSTALLATION

- 1. Pressure Gauge
- 2. Relief Valve (Secondary Pressure Relief Device)
- 3. **Pressure-Sensitive Regulating Unloader** (Primary Pressure Regulating Device)
- 4. Triplex Plunger Pump



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 adjusting cap handle facing up.
- 4. Remove discharge fitting and O-ring, spring, check valve and O-ring.
- 5. Examine check valve and discharge fitting for wear, spring for wear or fatigue, and O-rings for cuts or wear. Replace as needed with new check valve kit.

Note: While the discharge fitting is removed, inspect sealing area for grooves, pitting and wear. Where the check valve makes contact within the internal body of the unloader. If damage is found, stop the repair and replace with complete new unloader. If not, proceed with disassembly.

- 6. Remove black cap handle.
- 7. Remove hex nylock nut.
- 8. Unscrew and remove adjusting handle, flat washer and spring.
- 9. Examine all parts for scale build up or wear. Replace as needed. Examine spring for fatigue or wear. Replace as needed.
- 10. Unscrew and remove two jam nuts from piston stem.
- 11. Unscrew piston retainer from body of unloader.
- 12. Grasp threaded end of piston stem and pull from body of unloader. Piston retainer and all associated backup rings and O-rings should come out upon removal.
- 13. Remove piston retainer, O-rings and backup rings. Examine piston retainer for wear. Examine O-rings and backup rings for cuts or wear. Replace as needed.
- 14. Examine piston stem for wear. Examine O-ring and backup rings for cuts or wear. Replace as needed.
- 15. Remove bottom inlet fitting with O-ring, spring, ball and seat with O-ring from bottom inlet connection. Examine seat for grooves and O-ring for cuts or wear. Replace as needed.

Reassembly

- 1. Lubricate and install O-ring onto inlet fitting.
- 2. Place inlet fitting with threads facing up on a flat surface.
- 3. Place spring and ball onto inlet fitting.
- 4. Lubricate and install O-ring onto seat.
- 5. Place seat with O-ring onto ball with chamfered surface facing the ball.
- 6. Carefully hand thread inlet fitting and components into unloader body.
- 7. Lubricate and install O-ring and then backup ring onto threaded end of the piston stem.
- 8. Lubricate and install backup ring, O-ring and then backup ring on the opposite end of the threaded piston stem.
- 9. Grasp threaded end of piston stem and press by hand into unloader body.
- 10. Lubricate and install larger O-ring over threads of piston retainer body. Slide piston retainer with threads facing downwards over piston stem and thread into body.
- 11. Apply Loctite[®] 242[®] to the last few threads of the piston stem. Hand thread two jam nuts to the bottom threads of piston stem.
- 12. Slide spring over piston stem. Install flat washer on top of the spring.
- 13. Thread adjusting handle onto piston stem.
- 14. Install hex nylock onto piston stem.
- 15. At discharge side of unloader, lubricate and install O-ring onto check valve. Place spring inside check valve. Insert check valve with O-ring and spring into discharge port of unloader body.
- 16. Lubricate and install O-ring onto threaded end of discharge fitting. Thread in discharge fitting to discharge port of unloader body and tighten with a wrench.
- 17. Re-install black adjusting handle by snapping in place.
- 18. Remove unloader from vise.
- 19. Re-install unloader onto pump.
- 20. Reconnect bypass, discharge and inlet plumbing to unloader.
- 21. Proceed to PRESSURE ADJUSTMENT.

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TROUBLESHOOTING

| Unloader cycles | Worn O-ring or check valveFitting leaking downstreamO-ring in gun is worn | |
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| Liquid leaking from bottom | O-ring for seat or inlet fitting is cut or worn | |
| Liquid leaking from middle | Piston O-ring is cut or worn | |
| Unloader will not come up to pressure | Not properly sized for system pressure Foreign material in unloader Piston stem O-rings are worn Nozzle worn or sized incorrectly Jam nuts not properly set | |
| Extreme pressure spikes | Adjusting handle turned completely into unloader Restricted bypass or no bypass System flow exceeds unloader rating | |

PARTS LIST

| ITEM | PN | MATL | DESCRIPTION | QTY |
|------|--------|------|--|-----|
| 397 | 33633 | STZP | Washer, Flat | |
| 398 | 32116 | BB | Nut, Jam (M8 x 1.25) | |
| 401 | _ | STZP | Nut, Hex Lock | |
| 403 | 31766 | NY | Handle, Adjusting | 1 |
| 408 | 32090 | STL | Spring, Pressure (White) Model 7693 | 1 |
| | 32092 | STL | Spring, Pressure (Blue) Model 7694 | 1 |
| 412 | 39727 | S | Stem, Piston | 1 |
| 414 | _ | PTFE | Backup Ring, Piston Stem | 1 |
| 415 | _ | NBR | O-Ring, Piston Stem | 1 |
| 425 | _ | S | Retainer, Piston | 1 |
| 428 | _ | NBR | O-Ring, Piston Retainer | 1 |
| 429 | _ | NBR | O-Ring, Piston Stem | 1 |
| 430 | _ | PTFE | Backup Ring, Piston Stem | 2 |
| 434 | 32325 | S | Spring | |
| 436 | 76743 | _ | Seat, Ball Assembly | |
| 440 | _ | BB | Housing | |
| 441 | _ | NBR | O-Ring, Check Valve | |
| 442 | _ | NBR | O-Ring, Bypass Fitting | |
| 443 | 76736 | BB | Valve, Check with O-Ring | 1 |
| 444 | 33843 | S | Spring, Check Valve | 1 |
| 446 | _ | NBR | O-Ring, Discharge Fitting | 1 |
| 455 | 76752 | BB | Fitting, Inlet (¾"NPT[F]) | 1 |
| 460 | 76753 | BB | Fitting, Discharge (¾" NPT[F]) | 1 |
| 462 | _ | BB | Plug, Inlet (¾" NPT[M]) | |
| 468 | 76787* | NBR | Kit, O-Ring (Includes: 414, 415, 428–430, 441, 442, 446) After Week #4 of 2015 (7693); Week #12 of 2015 (7694) | 1 |
| | 76760* | FPM | Kit, O-Ring (Includes: 414, 415, 428–430, 441, 442, 446) After Week #4 of 2015 (7693); Week #12 of 2015 (7694) | 1 |
| 470 | 39697* | NBR | Kit, Repair (Includes: 414, 415, 428–430, 436, 441, 442, 446) After Week #4 of 2015 (7693); Week #12 of 2015 (7694) | 1 |





Italics are optional items. Bold print part numbers are unique to a particular model. MATERIAL CODES (Not Part of Part Number): BB=Brass FPM=Fluorocarbon

*See Tech Bulletin #119 for changes prior to week #4 of 2015 and week #12 of 2015.

NBR=Medium Nitrile (Buna-N) NY=Nylon PTFE=Pure Polytetrafluoroethylene S=304SS STL=Steel STZP=Steel/Zinc Plated

✗ REGULATING UNLOADER TO RELIEF VALVE CONVERSION

The 7693 and 7694 Pressure-Sensitive Regulating Unloaders are typically used as a primary pressure regulating device. They 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, and spring.

| Unloader PN Modifications Converted Relief Valve PN | | e PN | |
|---|-------------------------------|----------------------|-----------------------|
| 7693 | Remove parts 441, 443, 444 | 7693.100 (NBR Seals) | 7693.1110 (FPM Seals) |
| 7694 | | 7694.100 (NBR Seals) | 7694.1110 (FPM Seals) |



\triangle CAUTIONS AND WARNINGS

All high-pressure systems require a primary pressure regulating device (e.g. regulator, unloader) and a secondary pressure relief device (e.g. 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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