

NUTRON Model 320F3 Floating Ball Valve

Installation, Operation, and Maintenance Manual



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Bill of Materials

320F3 Standard Wrench-Operated Floating Ball Valve (2in 600 shown – see parts list in table 1)

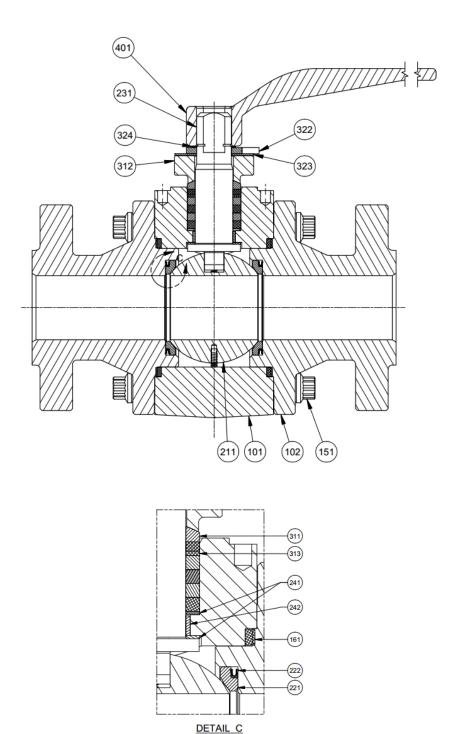
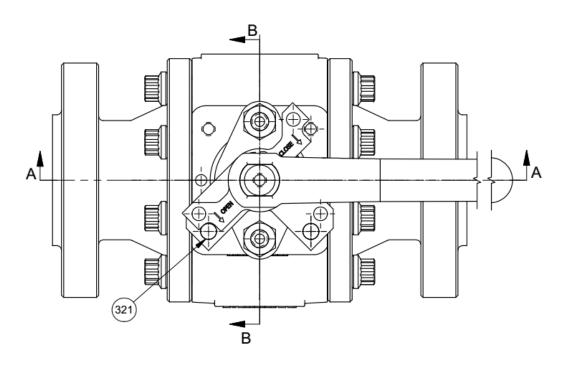


Figure 1 - Detail Section 1





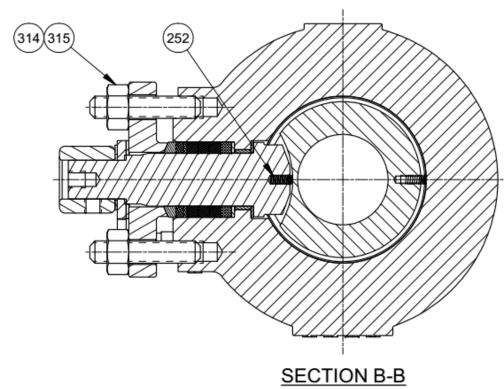


Figure 2 - Detail Section 2



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ITEM	QTY	DESCRIPTION
101	1	BODY
102	2	TAILPIECE
151	16	12 PT. CAP SCREW
161	2	BODY GASKET
211	1	BALL
221	2	SEAT RING
222	2	SEAT LIP SEAL
231	1	STEM
241	2	STEM THRUST WASHER
242	1	STEM BEARING
252	2	GROUNDING SPRINGS
311	1	PACKING FOLLOWER
312	1	PACKING PLATE
313	1	STEM PACKING
314	2	PACKING PLATE STUD
315	2	PACKING PLATE NUT
321	2	STOP PIN
322	1	STOP PLATE
323	1	LOCK PLATE
324	1	SNAP RING
401	1	HANDLE
502	1	NAMEPLATE (NOT SHOWN)

Table 1 – Parts List for Standard Wrench-Operated Valve

*2FP 600 wrench-operated configuration shown. Customer assembly drawings (available upon request) will include details for the particular size/class/configuration chosen.



Scope

The NUTRON 320F3 ball valve is designed to meet the latest industry requirements utilizing a variety of drivetrain materials, including A105 & 316SS. Patent-pending self-relieving seats that eliminate pressure trap, low-emission adjustable stem packing, and API 607 7th edition fire test certification are among the many standard features. Seats can be supplied in Delrin, HPTFE, PEEK, or Metal with PTFE or graphite fugitive emission-grade packing. The 320F3 is offered in carbon and stainless steel in the sizes and classes shown below in table 2.

Valve Availability				
Valve Size/Class	600	900	1500	2500
1/2FP	Х	Х	Х	Х
3/4RP	Х	Х	Х	Х
3/4FP	Х	Х	Х	Х
1RP	Х	Х	Х	Х
1FP	Х	Х	Х	Х
1-1/2RP	Х	Х	Х	Х
1-1/2FP	Х	Х	Х	Х
2RP	Х	Х	Х	Х
2FP	Х	Х	Х	
3RP	Х	Х	Х	
3FP	Х			
4RP	Х			
4FP	Х			
6RP	Х			
6FP	Х			
8RP	Х			

Table 2 - 320F3 Series Floating Ball Valve Availability

*All valves are built with trim selection that the customer requires. Contact a NUTRON representative for proper trim selection for the required application.



Nameplate Information

The valve information, including trim, is clearly identified on the valve nameplate that is permanently affixed on the valve. Figure 3 shows a standard valve nameplate. Table 3 details the information stamped on the nameplate.

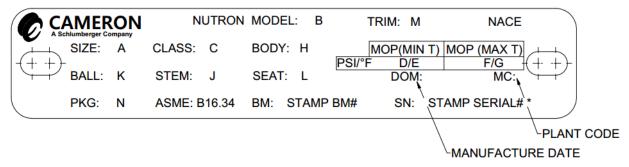


Figure 3 - Standard Cameron 320F3 Tag

Table 3 - Tag Information

Item	Preprint	Stamp		
Α	SIZE	If full bore, size is the nominal bore size		
		If reduced bore, size is end size x bore through ball x end size		
В	WKM MODEL	Valve Model		
С	CLASS	Valve Class Designation as defined per API 6D		
D	МОР	Maximum Operating Pressure (or Maximum Allowable Working Pressure); the		
	(or MAWP)	maximum working pressure of the valve at 100°F		
E	MIN T	Minimum operating temperature range		
F	МОР	Maximum Operating Pressure (or Maximum Allowable Working Pressure); the		
	(or MAWP)	maximum working pressure of the valve at its maximum temperature limit		
G	MAX T	Maximum operating temperature range		
Н	BODY**	Body Material Symbol		
J	STEM**	Stem Material Symbol		
К	BALL**	Ball Material Symbol		
L	SEAT**	Seat Material Symbol		
М	TRIM	Valve Trim Code		
Ν	PKG**	Packing Material Symbol		

*Serial # is most important data for obtaining replacement parts

**Consult a WKM Representative for material's symbol correspondence



Storage

Valves Delivered by NUTRON

After valves are assembled and tested, they are placed in the full open position, flange seal surfaces and bores are greased and end protectors are installed. This will provide adequate protection for indoor storage. Extended outdoor storage or storage in particularly harsh environments (i.e. an uncovered marine atmosphere) requires periodic inspection and the addition of a corrosion inhibitor. Contact your NUTRON representative for extended storage guidelines. Valves should only be stored in the fully open or fully closed position to prevent seat distortion.

Lifting and Handling Guidelines

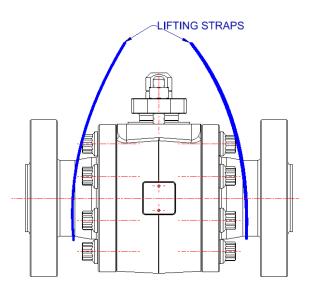


Figure 4: Lifting Guideline

Always use suitable lifting equipment and supports. Make sure that devices (including but not limited to lifting cranes, chains, or slings) are in good condition and properly rated for the weight of the valve plus any mounted actuation components before lifting loads.

Ensure that staff who take part in the lifting process have sufficient training for the job. Participate in a pre-job safety meeting or lift plan prior to any operation. Establish red zones (no-go zones) prior to the lift.

Always secure the lifting to the valve body, never to the actuator; otherwise, the stem/shaft may be damaged.

Before attaching the load, be aware of the weight of

the load to be lifted and locate the center of gravity to prepare for how the load will behave and to ensure balanced lifting. Lift the value in the position in which is it to be installed. Lift and move the load at an even pace to avoid swaying. Never leave the load suspended in mid-air.

Make sure that the valve and actuator (if equipped) are correctly in place and secured prior to detaching the supports. Make sure the load does not fall over when you undo the supports.

Refer to the packing list or product catalogue for specific valve weight

Refer to detail lifting drawings (available upon request) for specific weight and center of gravity.



Installation and Operation Instructions

Before Installation Safety Information

Valves shall be operated and maintained strictly in accordance with these procedures. Operation or maintenance outside of these procedures constitutes abuse of the product and voids all warranty claims.

When special operation is required, a formal written request to the company must be made for approval to operate in this manner if warranty and product liability are to be maintained.

Before any work is performed on a valve, personnel working on the valve must obtain the proper work permits required by their employer. Personnel shall always use safety precautions set forth by law and the regulations required by their employer. Personnel shall also be aware that any venting or draining of fluids from the valve shall be done in accordance with the safety and environmental procedures enforced at the particular location where the valve is installed.

The maintenance personnel doing the repairs shall be well trained and familiar with all information contained in this manual.

The valves shall be appropriately used for the intended purpose. Any safety or protection devices on the valve shall not be permanently removed or altered unless written approval is received from a NUTRON representative.

Transport, unpacking, lifting, and connections to the different types of systems (electric, pneumatic, hydraulic systems, etc.) shall be made by expert and qualified personnel.

Should any difficulties or abnormalities arise that cannot be solved by the technician, contact a NUTRON representative.

Any servicing not covered by these instructions must be made by an authorized service center, after preliminary approval has been given by a NUTRON representative.

Installation

Before installation, ensure that all external components and sealing surfaces of connection flanges were not damaged during transportation. Clearly identify the valve through its nameplate, check its weight with the packing list or relevant documents, and then place it on a horizontal surface using suitable handling equipment.

Handling equipment must be provided which is appropriate for the total weight of the package. Pay particular attention that slings do not damage the gear or actuator, if equipped.



Do not use lifting lugs or eyes provided on the gear or actuator, if present, to lift the entire assembly.

To avoid the ingress of debris or sand into the ball and seat area, the protective covers should not be removed until the valve is ready to be installed in the line. When the valve is ready to be installed in the line, remove the protective plastic or wooden flange protectors.

During installation, the valve must be fully open and the line sections between which the valve will be installed must be aligned, cleaned, and correctly spaced. Should the valve be closed, the exposed face of the ball must be protected with grease or other anti-adhesive product.

320F3 ball valves may be installed in any position with flow from either direction. However, for best service life there is a preferred vertical or horizontal position to maximize sealing and minimize the accumulation of sediment. In the vertical position, it is preferred to have the upstream pressure from above so the weight of the ball will assist the pressure in sealing. With the valve in a horizontal position, it is preferred to have the stem lying horizontal (i.e. toward the viewer). During operation, flow will act as a siphon and minimize retention of sediment.

When handling or installing a valve, keep the valve in the full open position whenever possible to prevent foreign object damage to the ball. When installing the valve, allow for possible deformations caused by the expansion of the line. The valve must not support the line. Avoid any strain in the valve body.

CAUTION: Do not overload the valve beyond the design piping loads stated in the requirements.

Use studs, nuts, and raised face gaskets or ring joints for the given size and class that conform to ASME B16.5. Alternately tighten the studs using a cross pattern method, several times, following the procedure recommended by ASME PCC-1-2010 "Guidelines for Pressure Boundary Bolted Flange Joint Assembly" or gasket manufacturer specification.

CAUTION: While all 320F3 floating ball valves have self-relieving seats as standard equipment, it is recommended that appropriate safeguards be put into place to prevent exceeding the pressure/temperature limits given by the manufacturer.



Field Pressure Testing

When field pressure testing is required, follow these procedures to minimize any damage that could occur to the sealing surfaces of the ball and seats:

- 1. Ensure that the test fluids contain corrosion inhibitors that are compatible with the valve seat and seal material.
- 2. The valve should be in the fully open position when the injection of test fluid begins. This will allow any pipeline debris to be flushed through the valve bore and out of the piping and not damage the seat, seal, or ball.
- 3. Once the piping system has been purged of debris and the system has been filled completely with the test fluid, the ball should then be turned to partially closed position (approximately 10-30° from the fully open position), to allow test fluid into the body cavity of the valve.
- 4. If performing line shell testing, the valve shall be in half open position. During a shell test is the only time when the valve should ever be left in a position other than fully open or closed. After shell test, return to the fully open or fully closed position for normal operation. The maximum shell test line pressure can be 1-1/2 times the valve maximum cold working pressure.
- 5. If performing seat testing, make sure the valve is fully closed. The maximum pressure for seat testing is the maximum cold working pressure as stamped on the nameplate or as appear on the description of sales documentation.
- 6. Upon completion of pressure testing all test fluids should be purged from the valve.

WARNING: If the ball is left for an extended period or is continually operated in any position other than fully open or fully closed, excessive wear to the seat and ball will occur. This will result in premature valve failure.

CAUTION: If the seats are tested to a higher pressure than the maximum cold working pressure they may become permanently damaged. The seat Maximum cold working pressure derived from the Pressure-Temperature rating of the trim. If a higher test pressure is desired contact a NUTRON representative for details.



Operation

320F3 series ball valves only work in the fully closed or fully open position; these valves work for on/off service only.

WARNING: These valves shall never be operated partially open or partially closed. Throttling (partial opening) or "pinching" flow may cause non-uniform wear on seats and ball over the sealing surfaces where it is exposed to the flow line, preventing tight shut-off.

To close the valve, turn gear hand wheel clockwise until it stops; to open the valve turn the gear hand wheel counter-clockwise until it stops.

All the wrench operated valves have the wrench levers aligned along with valve through bore when opened and perpendicular with the through bore when closed.

All gear operated valves have the gear indicator aligned with the valve through bore when opened and perpendicular with the through bore when closed. The gear also has "OPEN" and "CLOSE" markings.

While opening or closing, the ball must reseat; this reseating torque is higher than the run torque. Turn the hand wheel until the gear has a positive stop.

If the valve is operated by a power actuator, carefully read the actuator operation manual.

CAUTION: The end stops have been shop set to assure the correct 90 degree rotation from the fully open to fully closed position. Do not change their adjustment. If the valve is not correctly reseated at the end of opening or closing, the ball and the seats can quickly be damaged when exposed to flow pressure, preventing tight shut-off.

These valves can be operated by one person. It is recommended that no extensions be used for operating the valve. Using an extension or power tool to operate the valve voids all warranty and claims, and may result in failure.

Should maintenance be required, obtain the part number from the valve assembly nameplate and contact your NUTRON representative.



Maintenance Procedures

Under normal working conditions, 320F3 ball valves are designed for lengthy, reliable service with very little maintenance.

The only preventive maintenance recommended is to periodically inspect the valve for leaks around the stem or actuator. Should a leak be noticed, the following procedure may be followed to adjust the packing:

- 1. With the proper size wrench, tighten each of the two packing adjustment fasteners in a clockwise direction.
- 2. Tighten each fastener an equal amount. Use the minimum torque required to stop the leak, not to exceed the maximum torque value specified in Table 4 below.
- Table 4 gives torque values that will affect a seal when the packing set is in good condition. Torque values above this indicate that packing is worn and needs replacement. Excessive tightening will cause an unacceptable increase in valve stem torque.

Torque Values for 320F3 Packing Fasteners				
VALVE BORE SIZE & CLASS	STUD & NUT SIZE	WRENCH HEAD SIZE	PTFE PACKING	GRAPHITE PACKING
1/2" 600# - ¾" 600#	5/16 – 18 UNC	9/16	4 FT-LBS.	13 FT-LBS.
¾″ 900/1500/2500# – 1" 600#	3/8 – 16 UNC	11/16	8 FT-LBS.	29 FT-LBS.
1" 900/1500/2500# - 1.5" 600#	1/2 – 13 UNC	7/8	17 FT-LBS.	39 FT-LBS.
1.5" 900/1500/2500# - 2" 600#		7/8	20 FT-LBS.	47 FT-LBS.
2″ 900/1500# – 3" 600#	5/8 – 11 UNC	1-1/16	40 FT-LBS.	89 FT-LBS.
4" 600#	3/4 – 10 UNC	1-1/4	60 FT-LBS.	140 FT-LBS.
6" 600#	7/8 – 9 UNC	1-7/16	105 FT-LBS.	248 FT-LBS.

Table 4 - Packing Fastener Torque Values



Troubleshooting

Table 5 - Troubleshooting Chart

ISSUE	PROBABLE CAUSE		REMEDY		
Will not open or close	Iced up due to restricted flow or Flush out with glycol based		ut with glycol based		
	low temperature		solution or warm up the valve		
			body		
Hard to operate	a)	Accumulation or	a)	Flush valve to remove	
		solidification of		material from body	
		material in valve body	b)	Apply penetrating oil	
	b)	Corrosion between		around stem. If	
		stem and valve body		problem is not solved	
	c)	Operator not installed		disassemble valve and	
		properly		replace stem*	
			c)	Review the operating	
				installation manual	
Will not seal properly	a)	Worn or damaged seats	a)	Replace worn parts*	
		and/or ball		(Requires valve removal	
	b)	Foreign matter		and disassembly)	
		between seat and ball	b)	Operate several times	
	c)	Operator stops not		to wipe clean	
		properly set	c)	Adjust stops to proper	
				setting	
Valve leaking between body and	a)	Leaking tailpiece gasket	a)	Replace gasket*	
tailpiece	b)	Tailpiece and body are		(Requires valve removal	
		not tightened properly		and disassembly)	
			b)	Tighten bolting to	
				specified torque*	
Stem packing is leaking	a)	Loose stem packing	a)	Adjust stem packing	
	b)	Worn or damaged		fasteners per table 4.	
		packing	b)	Replace stem packing*	
	c)	· ·	c)	Adjust	
		misaligned, creating a		bracket/operator to	
		side load on stem		remove side load	

*Contact your NUTRON representative for a repair manual