DP17T and DP17TE
Pilot Operated Pressure/Temperature Control Valves
Installation and Maintenance Instructions

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Safe operation of these products can only be guaranteed if they are properly installed, commissioned, used and maintained by suitably qualified personnel (see Section 1.11) in compliance with the operating instructions. General installation and safety instructions for pipeline and plant construction, as well as the proper use of tools and safety equipment must also be complied with.

1.1 Intended use

Referring to the Installation and Maintenance Instructions, name-plate and Technical Information Sheet, check that the product is suitable for the intended use/application. The products listed below comply with the requirements of the European Pressure Equipment Directive 97/23/EC and carry the CE mark when so required. The products fall within the following Pressure Equipment Directive categories:

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i) The products have been specifically designed for use on steam, air and inert industrial gases which are in Group 2 of the above mentioned Pressure Equipment Directive. The products’ use on other fluids may be possible but, if this is contemplated, Spirax Sarco should be contacted to confirm the suitability of the product for the application being considered.

ii) Check material suitability, pressure and temperature and their maximum and minimum values. If the maximum operating limits of the product are lower than those of the system in which it is being fitted, or if malfunction of the product could result in a dangerous overpressure or overtemperature occurrence, ensure a safety device is included in the system to prevent such over-limit situations.

iii) Determine the correct installation situation and direction of fluid flow.

iv) Spirax Sarco products are not intended to withstand external stresses that may be induced by any system to which they are fitted. It is the responsibility of the installer to consider these stresses and take adequate precautions to minimise them.

v) Remove protection covers from all connections before installation.

1.2 Access

Ensure safe access and if necessary a safe working platform (suitably guarded) before attempting to work on the product. Arrange suitable lifting gear if required.

1.3 Lighting

Ensure adequate lighting, particularly where detailed or intricate work is required.

1.4 Hazardous liquids or gases in the pipeline

Consider what is in the pipeline or what may have been in the pipeline at some previous time. Consider: flammable materials, substances hazardous to health, extremes of temperature.
1.5 Hazardous environment around the product
Consider: explosion risk areas, lack of oxygen (e.g. tanks, pits), dangerous gases, extremes of temperature, hot surfaces, fire hazard (e.g. during welding), excessive noise, moving machinery.

1.6 The system
Consider the effect on the complete system of the work proposed. Will any proposed action (e.g. closing isolation valves, electrical isolation) put any other part of the system or any personnel at risk?
Dangers might include isolation of vents or protective devices or the rendering ineffective of controls or alarms. Ensure isolation valves are turned on and off in a gradual way to avoid system shocks.

1.7 Pressure systems
Ensure that any pressure is isolated and safely vented to atmospheric pressure. Consider double isolation (double block and bleed) and the locking or labelling of closed valves. Do not assume that the system has depressurised even when the pressure gauge indicates zero.

1.8 Temperature
Allow time for temperature to normalise after isolation to avoid danger of burns.

1.9 Tools and consumables
Before starting work ensure that you have suitable tools and/or consumables available. Use only genuine Spirax Sarco replacement parts.

1.10 Protective clothing
Consider whether you and/or others in the vicinity require any protective clothing to protect against the hazards of, for example, chemicals, high/low temperature, radiation, noise, falling objects, and dangers to eyes and face.

1.11 Permits to work
All work must be carried out or be supervised by a suitably competent person. Installation and operating personnel should be trained in the correct use of the product according to the Installation and Maintenance Instructions. Where a formal 'permit to work' system is in force it must be complied with. Where there is no such system, it is recommended that a responsible person should know what work is going on and, where necessary, arrange to have an assistant whose primary responsibility is safety. Post 'warning notices' if necessary.

1.12 Handling
Manual handling of large and/or heavy products may present a risk of injury. Lifting, pushing, pulling, carrying or supporting a load by bodily force can cause injury particularly to the back. You are advised to assess the risks taking into account the task, the individual, the load and the working environment and use the appropriate handling method depending on the circumstances of the work being done.
1.13 Residual hazards
In normal use the external surface of the product may be very hot. If used at the maximum permitted operating conditions the surface temperature of some products may reach temperatures of 300°C (572°F).
Many products are not self-draining. Take due care when dismantling or removing the product from an installation (refer to 'Maintenance instructions').

1.14 Freezing
Provision must be made to protect products which are not self-draining against frost damage in environments where they may be exposed to temperatures below freezing point.

1.15 Disposal
Unless otherwise stated in the Installation and Maintenance Instructions, this product is recyclable and no ecological hazard is anticipated with its disposal providing due care is taken.

PTFE:
- Can only be disposed of by approved methods, not incineration.
- Keep PTFE waste in a separate container, do not mix it with other rubbish, and consign it to a landfill site.

1.16 Returning products
Customers and stockists are reminded that under EC Health, Safety and Environment Law, when returning products to Spirax Sarco they must provide information on any hazards and the precautions to be taken due to contamination residues or mechanical damage which may present a health, safety or environmental risk. This information must be provided in writing including Health and Safety data sheets relating to any substances identified as hazardous or potentially hazardous.
2. General product information

2.1 General description
The DP17T and DP17TE are combined pressure/temperature control valves for use on steam applications. They are designed to be used in conjunction with a 2 m (6.5 ft) length of capillary which is available separately (other lengths are available on request). They combine a temperature and pressure pilot valve in one unit. This controls the main valve so that the temperature is maintained while the maximum steam pressure is limited.

A variable rate conical pressure adjustment spring is fitted providing a downstream pressure range of 0.2 - 17 bar g (3 - 246 psi g).

Notes: 1. The sensor of the control system will need to be mounted by either a union kit, pocket or wall mounting bracket.
2. For additional information see the relevant Technical Information Sheet.

Available types of valve:

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DP17T

DT17TE
2.2 Sizes and pipe connections
DN15LC, DN15, DN20, DN25, DN32, DN40 and DN50 screwed BSP (BS 21 parallel) or NPT (DN15 to 25 only).

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**Note:** For additional information see the relevant Technical Information Sheet.

2.3 Pressure / temperature limits

![Temperature vs Pressure Diagram](image)

- **A-D-E** Screwed and flanged BS 4504 PN25, ANSI 300, and BS 10 Table H.
- **A-B-C** Flanged ANSI 150.
- **G-G** The DP17TE is limited to 190°C (374°F).

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<td>PMO Maximum operating pressure for saturated steam service</td>
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**Note:** For lower operating temperatures consult Spirax Sarco.

**PMX** Maximum differential pressure is limited to the PMO

| Designed for a maximum cold hydraulic test pressure of: | 38 bar g (551 psi g) |
| Note:** With the internals fitted the test pressure must not exceed 25 bar g (362 psi g) |
3. Installation

Note: Before actioning any maintenance programme observe the 'Safety information' in Section 1.

Referring to these Installation and Maintenance Instructions, name-plate and Technical Information Sheet, check that the product is suitable for the intended installation.

The installation instructions are dealt with under two headings, 'The valve' and 'The temperature control system'.
3.1 Supply *(Figure 1, page 7)*

**DP17T**
The DP17T pressure/temperature control is supplied with the temperature control unit packed separately and should be assembled securing the control head to the valve by means of the three screws supplied.
The valve is fitted with a control spring most suited to the downstream pressure condition quoted on the order, but will not be pre-set.
The temperature control unit is fitted with a control system having a range most suited to the temperature given on the order but it is not pre-set.

**DP17TE**
The DP17TE pressure/temperature control is supplied as for the DP17T but a solenoid operated valve is fitted in the pipe between the pilot valve and the main diaphragm chamber, thus in series with the normal pilot valve.
The purpose of the solenoid valve is to override the pilot valve thus causing the main valve to shut-off. It can be controlled by any device capable of interrupting the supply of current to the solenoid coil such as a thermostat, pressure switch or time clock. A suitable time clock is available from Spirax Sarco.
The solenoid is arranged to open the valve when the coil is energised so that whatever switching device is used it must be arranged to break the current to close the main valve. In this way the unit will always ‘fail-safe’ i.e. will close the main valve in the event of a failure in electrical supply.

**Electrical supply**
It is important that the solenoid is connected to the correct voltage. The standard unit is suitable for 230 ± 10% Vac or 115 ± 10% Vac 50 Hz supply, but units for other ac voltages may be supplied to special order, therefore always check on the supply details which are stamped on the solenoid valve name-plate before attempting to connect up.
Electrical connection is by cable plug to DIN 43650. Remember that the valve is on a steam supply line and in use will get hot. All wiring, connectors, etc. in close proximity to the valve should therefore be of heat resisting type.

**Earth**
The solenoid valve should be adequately earthed.
3.2 The valve

General arrangement

Figure 2 shows the recommended installation layout to ensure satisfactory operation of the DP17T pressure temperature control. It should always be fitted in a horizontal pipeline with the main diaphragm chamber below the line.

![Diagram of valve installation]

Fig. 2 Recommended installation

3.3 Pipeline sizing

The piping on both sides of the valve must be sized so that velocities do not exceed 30 m/s (98 ft/s). This means that a properly sized valve will often be smaller than the connecting pipework.
3.4 Pipeline stresses
Line stresses such as could be caused by expansion or inadequate support should not be imposed on the valve body.

3.5 Isolating valves
These should preferably be of the fullway type.

3.6 Removal of condensate
Ensure that the pipework is adequately drained so that the valve is supplied with dry steam. The ideal arrangement is to fit a separator in the steam supply. If the steam is known to be dry then a drain pocket may be adequate.
If there is a rise in the low pressure line from the valve then a further drain point should be provided to keep the valve drained after shutdown.

3.7 Preventing dirt
The valve should be protected by a pipeline strainer with 100 mesh screen. The strainer should be fitted on its side to prevent the accumulation of water.

3.8 Pressure control pipe
The valve will be supplied complete with a control pipe assembly connecting the side of the body with the side of the pilot valve chamber.
When close control of pressure and/or maximum capacity is required, an external pressure control pipe must be fitted.
To fit this alternative downstream sensing control pipe, first remove the control pipe assembly. The resulting ½” BSP tapping in the side of the body should be blanked using the plug provided in the linen bag attached to the valve (which also contains the fitting instructions). The other ½” BSP tapping in the side of the pilot valve chamber, should be blanked off using the plug fitted in the tapping provided on the front of the pilot valve chamber. Into this latter tapping, fit the brass compression fitting with brass compression ring which is also contained in the linen bag.
This is suitable for the fitting of 6 mm O/D pipe. If suitable pipe is not available the compression fitting can be removed and ¼” nominal bore steel pipe screwed directly into the pilot valve chamber.
The pressure control pipe should be connected into the top of the reduced pressure main at a point where in either direction there is a length of straight pipe uninterrupted by fittings for at least 1 m (3 ft) or 15 pipe diameters whichever is the greater. It should be arranged with a positive fall so that any condensate can drain away from the DP17T. Where the size of the reduced pressure main makes it difficult to maintain a fall when entering the top of the main, the pressure control pipe may be connected in the side of the main. A stop valve should be fitted for isolating purposes.

3.9 Pressure gauges
It is essential to fit a pressure gauge on the downstream side so that the valve can be properly set. A pressure gauge on the upstream side can also be useful.

3.10 Bypass
If it is essential to maintain a constant supply of steam and the reducing valve station does not include duplication or stand-by equipment, it may be necessary to install a bypass to ensure continuation of supply when the reducing valve is being serviced (see Figure 2). The bypass valve will normally be the same size as the reducing valve. The handwheel should be padlocked to prevent use by unauthorised personnel, and when in use should be under constant manual supervision.
The bypass may be arranged above or to the side of the main assembly but never below it.
3.11 Relief valve
A safety valve should be fitted to protect the downstream equipment from excessive pressure. It should be set to lift below the safe working pressure of the downstream equipment, and will normally be sized to pass the full capacity of the PRV should the PRV fail in the fully open position. The safety valve set pressure should take account of its reseat characteristic and the 'No-load' pressure setting of the PRV. For example, the typical blowdown value (reseat differential) for a DIN type safety valve is 10% of set pressure. The minimum possible safety valve set pressure must therefore equal the no-load set pressure of the reducing valve plus the blowdown value of the safety valve plus a small margin of at least 0.1 bar (1.5 psi). If the set pressure is any lower, if whatever reason the safety valve lifts it will not shut properly and will simmer, creating a leak which is often wrongly diagnosed as a result of a leaking reducing valve. Discharge pipework should be taken to a safe place.

3.12 Position in relation to other control valves
Line or system isolation valves (A), either remotely actuated or manual, should be installed on the upstream side of the DP reducing valve.

Where there is downstream control equipment (B), particularly when it is fast acting (for instance pulsed piston actuated valves) ensure the control equipment is at least 50 pipe diameters away from the DP to prevent pressure pulses being transmitted back causing unstable operation and premature wear or if this is impractical an intermediate vessel can provide a similar benefit.

Where a safety valve (C) is required to protect the system downstream of a DP and where a control valve is also being used downstream of the DP, it is recommended that the safety valve is fitted downstream of the control valve rather than in between the DP and the control valve. If any slight leakage occurs this will avoid any pressure build-up causing nuisance operation of the safety valve but provide complete protection for the downstream system.

Where valves are installed downstream of the DP (B) the intermediate downstream pipework must be properly trapped (D) to ensure no condensate can build up on the downstream side of the DP.

3.13 Temperature ranges
The temperature control system is available in five temperature ranges as follows:-

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3.14 Sensor bulb
The type DP17T control is fitted with a plain bulb as in Figure 4, but as an optional extra this bulb is supplied with an adaptor shown in Figure 5, consisting of a union nipple (U), 'O' ring (V) and gland nut (W).

3.15 Use of plain bulb
Where it is desired to use a plain bulb as in Figure 4 the adaptor can be removed by unscrewing the gland nut (W) from the union nipple (Figure 5) and withdrawing each piece of the assembly separately over the bulb.

3.16 Use of immersion bulb
Where it is desired, insert the bulb into a vessel under pressure. Unscrew the gland nut (W) from the union nipple (U). This will enable the union nipple to withdraw over the bulb. The union nipple can now be screwed into the tapping provided at the temperature sensing point.

The union nipple is normally threaded ¾” BSP but may be ¾” NPT if specially ordered. Insert the bulb through the union nipple (U) until the 'O' ring (V) seats in the union nipple as shown in Figure 5 and screw home the gland nut (W) to compress the 'O' ring. The gland nut needs to be little more than finger tight. Do not overtighten otherwise damage to the 'O' ring will result.
3.17 Pockets
In all cases where the temperature sensing point is in a fluid under pressure it is best to use a pocket so that the bulb can be withdrawn for servicing without draining down the plant. Pockets must also be used where the medium being controlled would attack and destroy the material from which the bulb is constructed. The top of the pocket is formed exactly as the union nipple and should be screwed into the tapping (¾” BSP or ¾” NPT) provided at the temperature sensing point. Insert the bulb into the pocket until the ‘O’ ring seats in the union nipple as Figure 6, and screw home the gland nut (W) to compress the ‘O’ ring. The gland nut (W) will be little more than finger tight. Do not overtighten otherwise damage to the ‘O’ ring will result.

3.18 Extra long pockets
Where extra long pockets are used the plain bulb should be used and inserted the full length of the pocket. A split bung is provided to seal the top of the pocket Figure 7.

3.19 Heat conduction
Where a bulb is used in a pocket the pocket should be filled with a heat conducting fluid, such as thin oil or water, to improve heat transfer. Do not fill the extended pocket Figure 7, above the level of the bulb.

3.20 Wall mounting sensor
Where the type DP17T control is to be used to control from room temperature the plain bulb Figure 4 is used and a bracket and protective shield is provided Figure 8. It is essential that the sensor be fitted in such a position that it can sense the true room temperature and is not influenced by draughts. It is preferably fitted in the vertical position and can be fitted either with the capillary leading from the top of the sensor or leading from the bottom. Having decided on the sensor position fix the bracket to the wall making sure that it is fitted in such a way that the lug standing proud of the base will engage with the groove turned in the sensor. After inserting the sensor in the clips, fit the external cover as in Figure 9.
4. Commissioning

Warning
Direct injection systems
This product contains a rust inhibitor to protect it against corrosion during storage.
To avoid any possible contamination of your product, after first blowing down the
approach pipework, we recommend that the valve is blown through thoroughly in
order to remove any trace of the inhibitor.

When the pressure/temperature control is installed and all connections are properly made it
must be brought into operation in two stages a) Pressure reduction. b) Temperature control.

4.1 To set the reduced pressure
1. Ensure that all connections are properly made and that all valves are closed.
2. Check that adjustment is turned fully anticlockwise until the spring is slack.
3. Open small valve in pressure control line.
4. Blow through the approach pipework by removing the cap and screen from the strainer
   protecting the steam trap draining the upstream pipework. Do not remove the screen from
   the main line strainer during this operation. Although this should remove most of the dirt
   which is present, it may be necessary to examine and clean the main line strainer at
   regular intervals.
5. Slowly open the upstream isolating valve until it is fully open.
6. Slowly open the downstream valve until it is fully open.
7. Using a 19 mm A/F spanner slowly turn adjustment screw in a clockwise direction until
   desired pressure reading is obtained.
8. Holding the adjustment screw in position, with the spanner, tighten down the lock-nut to
   secure the setting of the adjustment spring, making sure that the 'C' washer stays in position.

4.2 To set the temperature
1. Check that the temperature scale can be easily seen.
   If it is fitted in a confined space facing a wall for example the control head may be
   repositioned to enable the scale to be more easily read as follows:-
   Undo the three screws. The control head may now be turned through 120° or 240° and the
   screws tightened up.
2. By turning the knurled knob, set the scale opposite the pointer to the temperature at which
   it is desired to control. (Where it is essential that this temperature be not exceeded
   it is advisable to set the control initially some 6°C lower and bring the plant up to
   temperature slowly).
3. Put the plant in operation in the normal way allow 30 minutes for it to settle down, then
   check the temperature against a reliable thermometer - this check reading should be taken
   as close to the control point as possible to ensure that both the thermometer and the
   sensor bulb are sensing similar conditions.
4. Compare the thermometer reading with scale reading on the temperature control.
5. This may be found to differ by a few degrees and if precise control is required can be
   adjusted by resetting the pointer as follows:
6. Holding the control head tightly onto the pilot valve housing - slacken the three screws, just
   sufficiently to enable the pointer to be moved to the right or left until the temperature
   indicated on the scale corresponds with the actual temperature as shown on the sensor.
   Whilst making this adjustment it is essential to hold the control head tightly onto the pilot
   valve housing otherwise not only will movement of the pointer be difficult but allowing
   the head to lift will open the pilot valve.
7. Tighten the three screws.
8. The adjustment knob may now be reset to the required temperature. Adjustments to raise or
   lower the temperature may be freely made without damage to the control system.
5. Maintenance

Note: Before actioning any maintenance programme observe the 'Safety information' in Section 1.

Warning:
The body gasket contains a thin stainless steel support ring which may cause physical injury if not handled and disposed of correctly.

5.1 Routine maintenance

It is recommended that the valve is dismantled once every twelve to eighteen months for a complete overhaul and ideally this should be carried out with the valve removed from the line.

The parts that may require replacing or refurbishing are listed below:
- Main valve seat and valve head.
- Pilot valve assembly (pressure control unit).
- Pilot valve assembly (temperature control unit).
- Main valve screen.
- Main diaphragms.
- Pilot diaphragms.
- Control head.
To renew or change the pressure adjustment spring

It is not necessary to isolate the valve in order to change the spring.

1. Release lock-nut.
2. Turn adjustment screw anticlockwise.
4. Remove cover
5. Remove the pressure adjustment spring and top plate.
6. Reassemble in reverse order.

To renew the pressure control pilot valve assembly

Isolate the valve and zero the pressure.
Remove sensor bulb and allow it to cool down otherwise the control system may be strained.
Follow Steps 1 to 5 then proceed as follows:

7. Undo the three screws and remove the temperature control head.
8. Unscrew unions and release pipework.
9. Unscrew nuts and remove spring housing, bottom spring plate and diaphragms.
10. Remove pilot valve housings (See Note on page 17).
11. Ensure main valve return spring is still in position.
Note:
The pilot valve assembly is no longer available as a standard spare. Because of the difficult process described in Step 13, it has now been discontinued. The complete pilot valve chamber assembly is the recognised spare. However for customers with pilot valves only still in stock, these can be used by following Steps 11-13. This assembly contains 2 off PTFE seals. The following handling precautions should be observed.

Handling precautions for PTFE
Within its working temperature range PTFE is a completely inert material, but when heated to its sintering temperature it gives rise to gaseous decomposition products or fumes which can produce unpleasant effects if inhaled. Fumes can be produced during processing: for example, when the material is heated to sinter it, or when brazed connections are being made to cable insulated PTFE. The inhalation of these fumes is easily prevented by applying local exhaust ventilation to atmosphere as near to their source as possible.

Smoking should be prohibited in workshops where PTFE is handled because tobacco contaminated with PTFE will during burning give rise to polymer fumes. It is therefore important to avoid contamination of clothing, especially the pockets, with PTFE and to maintain a reasonable standard or personal cleanliness by washing hands and removing any PTFE particles lodged under the fingernails.
12. Unscrew and remove pilot valve assembly (22 mm A/F).

13. Screw new pilot valve into housing. Torque 45/50 Nm (33 - 37 lbf ft).

14. Check that there is a very slight clearance between the top of the plunger and a straight edge placed across the diaphragm location recess. (N.B. Because of production tolerances the plunger is supplied slightly longer than is always required and it will generally be necessary to grind or machine material off the top end to give the correct length. After machining make sure the sharp edges are removed from the top of the plunger as these could damage the diaphragms).

15. Remove screen and clean.

16. Ensure gasket faces are clean.

17. Ensure main valve return spring is still in position.

18. Fit new gasket.

19. Replace screen.

20. Assemble pilot valve housings.

21. Refit the two diaphragms making sure that they are fitted the same way round as they were removed and that all contact faces are clean. Diaphragms showing signs of wear or damage should be replaced.

22. Replace bottom spring plate.

23. Assemble spring housing and tighten nuts to the recommended torques shown in Table 1, page 19.
24. Refit pipework and retighten unions to ensure a steam tight seal.

25. Refit temperature control head. Complete assembly by following Steps 1 to 5 in reverse order.

Bring valve back into commission by following as many Steps as necessary in Section 4, page 14.

**Table 1**

**Recommended tightening torques for pilot valve chamber nuts:**

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**To clean the strainer screen**

Isolate the valve and zero the pressure. Remove sensor bulb and allow it to cool down, otherwise the control system may be strained. Follow Steps 1 to 5 then proceed as follows:

26. Undo the three screws and remove temperature control head.

27. Unscrew unions and release pipework.

28. Unscrew nuts and remove pilot valve housings complete with spring housing assembly.

29. Remove screen and clean.

30. Ensure gasket faces are clean.

31. Check that main valve return spring is in position.
32. Fit new gasket.
33. Replace screen.
34. Assemble pilot valve housings complete with spring housing assembly and tighten nuts to the recommended torques shown in Table 1, page 19.
35. Refit pipework and retighten unions to ensure a tight seal.
36. Refit temperature control head.

Bring valve back into commission by following as many Steps as necessary in Section 4, page 14.

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**To renew pilot valve diaphragms**

Isolate the reducing valve and zero the pressure. Remove sensor bulb and allow it to cool down, otherwise the control system may be strained. Follow Steps 1 to 5 then proceed as follows:

37. Unscrew nuts and remove spring housing, bottom spring plate and old diaphragms.
38. Refit two new diaphragms making sure that all contact faces are clean.
39. Replace bottom spring plate.
40. Assemble spring housing and tighten nuts to the recommended torques shown in Table 1, page 19. Complete assembly by following Steps 1 to 5 in reverse order.

Bring valve back into commission by following as many Steps as necessary in Section 4, page 14.
To renew or clean main diaphragms
Isolate the valve and zero the pressure. Remove sensor bulb and allow it to cool, otherwise the control system may be strained.

41. Undo long union nut and pull away.
42. Undo M12 nuts and bolts.
43. Drop away lower diaphragm chamber, the two diaphragms, diaphragm plate and push rod assembly.
44. Thoroughly clean lower diaphragm chamber, make sure contact faces are clean.

45. Replace diaphragm plate and push rod assembly and loosely fit lower diaphragm chamber on two bolts either side of the union connection to locate spigot in recess.

46. Bring the two new diaphragms together (where precoated sealant is applied this should face outwards) and slide into position.
   If diaphragms are not renewed, but cleaned only care must be taken not to turn diaphragms over.

47. Push lower diaphragm chamber home to locate in recess and refit M12 nuts and bolts. Progressively and evenly tighten to a torque of 80 - 100 N m (59 - 74 lbf ft).

48. Retighten long union nut to ensure a steam tight seal.
Bring valve back into commission by following as many Steps as necessary in Section 4, page 14.
To service or renew the main valve and seat
Isolate the valve and zero the pressure. Remove sensor bulb and allow it to cool down, otherwise the control system may be strained. Follow Steps 1 to 5 then proceed as follows:

49. Undo the three screws and remove temperature control head.

50. Unscrew unions and release pipework.

51. Unscrew nuts and remove pilot valve housings complete with spring housing assembly.

52. Remove screen and clean.

53. Remove main valve spring and main valve head.

54. Remove main valve seat. (See Table 2).

Examine faces of main valve head and seat. If they are only slightly worn both the main valve head and main seat may be lapped on a flat plate using a fine grinding paste. If either is badly worn or unfit for further use they will need to be replaced.

55. Refit valve seat and tighten to the recommended torques shown in Table 2.

Where a new part has been fitted it will be necessary to reset the main valve push rod to give the correct valve lift.

To do this it is necessary to expose the main diaphragm plate and push rod assembly.

Table 2 Recommended tightening torques for main seat

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<th>Size of valve</th>
<th>Width across flats</th>
<th>Tightening torques</th>
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<tr>
<td>½&quot; and ¾&quot; LC DN15 and 15 LC</td>
<td>30 mm A/F (External)</td>
<td>110 - 120 N m (81 - 89 lbf ft)</td>
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<tr>
<td>¾&quot; and DN20</td>
<td>36 mm A/F (External)</td>
<td>140 - 150 N m (103 - 111 lbf ft)</td>
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<td>1&quot; and DN25</td>
<td>19 mm A/F (Inside)</td>
<td>230 - 250 N m (170 - 184 lbf ft)</td>
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<td>DN32</td>
<td>24 mm A/F (Inside)</td>
<td>300 - 330 N m (221 - 243 lbf ft)</td>
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<tr>
<td>DN40</td>
<td>30 mm A/F (Inside)</td>
<td>450 - 490 N m (332 - 361 lbf ft)</td>
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<tr>
<td>DN50</td>
<td>41 mm A/F (Inside)</td>
<td>620 - 680 N m (456 - 502 lbf ft)</td>
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56. Undo long nut and pull away.
57. Undo M12 nuts and bolts.
58. Drop away lower diaphragm chamber, the two diaphragms, diaphragm plate and push rod assembly.
59. Refit push rod assembly.
60. Refit main valve head make sure valve locates on seat.
61. Open valve by pushing onto diaphragm plate, until it comes up against the stop on the body.
62. Check the valve lift using a depth gauge (see Table 3).

Table 3 Valve lift

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<th>Size of valve</th>
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<tr>
<td>DN15 LC and ½&quot; LC</td>
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<td>DN25 and 1&quot;</td>
<td>3.0 mm</td>
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<td>DN40</td>
<td>4.5 mm</td>
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<tr>
<td>DN50</td>
<td>5.0 mm</td>
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Adjust if necessary by screwing push rod in or out of diaphragm plate.
63. Thoroughly clean upper/lower diaphragm chamber make sure contact faces are clean.
64. Replace diaphragm plate and push rod assembly and loosely fit lower diaphragm chamber on two bolts either side of the union connection to locate spigot in recess.
65. Refit diaphragms in exactly the same way as when dismantled.
66. Push lower diaphragm chamber home to locate in recess and refit M12 nuts and bolts. Progressively and evenly tighten to a torque of 80 - 100 N m (59 - 74 lbf ft).
67. Retighten long union nut to ensure a steam tight seal.
68. Ensure gasket faces are clean.
69. Refit main valve head.
70. Replace main valve return spring.
71. Fit new gasket.
72. Replace screen.
73. Assemble pilot valve housings complete with spring housing assembly and tighten nuts to the recommended torques shown in Table 1, page 19.
74. Refit pipework and retighten unions to ensure a tight seal.
75. Refit temperature control head.

Bring valve back into commission by following as many Steps as necessary in Section 4, page 14.
To renew the temperature control pilot valve assembly
Isolate the valve and zero the pressure. Remove sensor bulb and allow it to cool down, otherwise the control system may be strained.

76. Undo the three screws and remove temperature control head.

77. Unscrew packless gland housing (21 mm A/F) and remove with push rod assembly and return spring.

78. Unscrew union and release pipework.

79. Unscrew nuts and remove pilot valve housing.

80. Unscrew and remove pilot valve seat (20 mm A/F).

81. Screw new pilot valve seat into housing.
82. Assemble pilot valve housing and tighten nuts to 40 N m (29 lbf ft).

83. Refit pipework and retighten unions to ensure a steam tight seal.

84. Fit new push rod assembly with return spring and replace packless gland housing, tighten to 40 N m (29 lbf ft).

Bring valve back into commission by following as many Steps as necessary in Section 4, page 14. After fitting a new pilot valve seat and push rod it will be necessary to check the temperature control point (see Section 4.2, Step 2).

**To renew the temperature control system**

Isolate the valve and zero the pressure. Withdraw sensor bulb from plant and allow it to cool.

85. Undo the three screws and lift off the control head.

86. Fix in position control head of replacement temperature control system. Take care that the limit stop of the pointer ring is properly located in the slot.

87. Retighten screws.

Bring valve back into commission by following as many Steps as necessary in Section 4, page 14.
With a replacement thermostatic system it may be found that the pointer cannot be moved far enough to reach the desired reading on the scale when the medium around the bulb is at the correct temperature.

If this is so, resetting of the calibration can be carried out using the special spanner supplied with each replacement sensor.

88. Fix the pointer in the mid-position of its adjustment and set the scale to indicate the required temperature.

89. Tighten up screws.

90. Hold sleeve with a pair of pliers and loosen the locking ring using the special spanner.

91. Still holding sleeve with pliers, turn clockwise if the temperature of the medium being controlled is too high or anticlockwise if the temperature is too low.

92. After re-setting, tighten up the locking ring with the special spanner.

To service or renew solenoid valve (DP17TE)

Depressurize valve and turn off electrical power supply.

93. Remove retaining clip and slip entire solenoid enclosure off the solenoid base sub-assembly of plug nut/core tube sub-assembly.

94. Unscrew bonnet of solenoid base sub-assembly and remove core spring, core assembly and body gasket.

All parts are now accessible for cleaning replacement. Replace worn or damaged parts with a complete Spare parts kit (item 'W', pages 28 and 29) for best results.

95. Reassemble in reverse order of disassembly paying careful attention to exploded views provided.

CAUTION

Solenoid must be fully reassembled as the housing is part of, and completes the magnetic circuit.
6. Spare parts

The spare parts available are shown in heavy outline. Parts drawn in broken line are not available as spares.

**Please note:** A Table is shown on page 24 indicating interchangeability of spares.

### Available spares

**Maintenance kit**
- A stand-by set of spares for general maintenance purposes and covers all spares marked *

- **Main diaphragm** (2 off) A
- **Pilot diaphragms** (2 off) B
- **Pilot valve chamber assembly** (8 pieces) C, C1
- **Pilot valve assembly for temperature control unit** B2, C2, D2, E2
- **Pilot valve packless gland set** H2, J2
- **Main valve assembly ½" to DN50** K, L
- **Internal strainer** M

**Main valve return spring** N

**Pressure adjustment spring** 0.2 - 17 bar (3 - 246 psi) O

**Control head** (3 pieces) Y, Z
- When ordering state range and length of capillary tube. Normally stocked in capillary lengths of 2 m. Available in multiples of 2 m up to a maximum of 14 m (at extra cost).

**Union sub assembly** (3 pieces) U

**Control pipe assembly** P

**Balance pipe assembly** Q

**Gasket set** (3 off) R

**Pilot valve block gasket and temperature control unit** (3 pieces) R1

**Set of spring housing securing studs and nuts** (set of 4) S

**Set of main body studs and nuts** (set of 4) T

**Set of diaphragm securing bolts and nuts** Valve sizes ½" to DN32 (set of 10) DN40 to DN50 (set of 12) V

**Set of temperature pilot valve housing securing studs and nuts** (set of 4) S1

**Set of adjustment head securing screws** (set of 3) Y

### Type DP17TE only

**Solenoid valve complete** W

**Replacement coil** X1

**Valve seat and core assembly** X2

### How to order spares

Always order spares by using the description given in the column headed 'Available spares' and state the size and type of the pressure/temperature control valve.

**Example:** 1 - Main valve assembly for a Spirax Sarco ½" Type DP17T pressure/temperature control valve.
## Interchangeability of spares

The following table shows how in certain sizes some parts are interchangeable. For example in the line headed 'Main diaphragm' the diaphragm used in the screwed valves ½", ¾" is common to these sizes by the letter 'a', the letter 'c' indicates that the one diaphragm is common to the DN32 and DN40 valve.

Spares which are marked '†' are interchangeable with the DP17, reducing valve.

Spares marked '★' are interchangeable with the 37D temperature control.

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7. Fault Finding

The DP17T pressure temperature control system provides a combined unit for pressure reduction and temperature control.

It is important to remember that when approaching the set temperature, the temperature control pilot valve will override and lower the downstream pressure. This is its normal function and does not indicate failure of the pressure control unit.

If the pressure control unit is in any way suspect then before proceeding with any tests it is essential to remove the sensor bulb and allow it to cool down, thus ensuring that the temperature control pilot valve is fully open. For this reason trouble tracing is divided into two sections separating the pressure and temperature control functions.

Pressure control system

Preliminary check

7.1 Isolate valve and zero pressure.
7.2 Remove sensor bulb and allow it to cool down.
7.3 Release lock-nut and turn adjustment screw anticlockwise until spring is slack.
7.4 Undo union nut and release pipework.
7.5 Turn on steam slowly.

Steam discharging from coupling in pilot valve block

Pilot valve failing to seat

Downstream pressure zero or too low

No high pressure steam reaching valve
Check steam is turned on. Check strainer is clear.
Pressure adjustment spring broken Replace with spare part
Pipe assembly blocked Remove and blow through to clear
Main diaphragm fractured Follow Steps 41 to 48
Pilot valve plunger too short Follow Steps 7 to 25
Valve capacity insufficient for downstream conditions See Section 2.8 or fit large valve with more capacity.

Downstream pressure too high

Downstream pressure control pipe blocked
Remove and blow through to clear
Control orifice blocked Remove and clean
Pilot valve diaphragms fractured Follow Steps 37 to 40
Pilot valve or plunger is sticking Follow Steps 7 to 25
Main valve not seating Follow Steps 49 to 75
Main valve push rod sticking Follow Steps 41 to 48
Pilot valve plunger too long Follow Steps 7 to 25

Hunting

Wet steam supply See Section 2.6
External pressure control pipe tapped into turbulent area See Section 2.8
Loose dirt in pipe assembly Remove and blow through to clear
Pilot valve or plunger is sticking Follow Steps 7 to 25
Main valve push rod sticking Follow Steps 41 to 48
Pilot or main diaphragms overstretched.
This usually happens over a long period of service Follow Steps 37 to 40 and Steps 41 to 48
Temperature control system

7.6 Temperature in plant too high.
A rise in temperature above the normal control setting could be caused either by the valve failing to shut-off or a break down in the control system. Check as follows:-

7.7 With the plant up to temperature and steam on to the valve remove the sensor bulb and allow it to cool. Undo the three screws and remove the control head. This will release all pressure on the pilot valve plunger and the valve should be in the open position.

7.8 This plunger can be depressed and released by hand to check the operation of the valve, depression of the plunger causing the main valve to close and the temperature in the plant to fail.

7.9 If this check indicates that the valve is closing properly the fault must lie in the control system which should be replaced as Section 5, Steps 85 - 92.
If the check shows that the valve is not closing properly this could be caused by one of the following:

Control orifice is blocked. For access remove pipe assembly and clear orifice with fine wire. (Do not use a drill or any other tool which will enlarge this orifice).

Pilot valve is not seating. Examine and clean. For access see Section 5, Steps 76 - 84. Before stripping down to check on either the pilot or main valve see Sections 7.10 to 7.14 which follows.

Main valve is not seating or the main valve push rod is sticking. Examine and clean. For access see Section 5, Steps 49 - 75. Before stripping down to check on either the pilot or main valve see Sections 7.10 to 7.14 which follows.

To check on valve closure

7.10 With the plant up to temperature isolate the valve and zero pressure.

7.11 Turn the adjustment knob to a lower temperature to ensure that the main valve should be fully closed.

7.12 Undo pipe union in pilot valve housing.

7.13 Turn steam on to valve slowly.

7.14 If steam is discharged through the tapped hole in the pilot valve housing from which the union has been unscrewed it indicates that the pilot valve is failing to seat. See Section 5, Steps 76 - 84. If steam is discharged through the exposed end of the copper pipe it indicates that the main valve is failing to seat. See Section 5, Steps 49 - 75.

Temperature in plant too low

7.15 If the temperature in the plant is below the normal control setting this could be caused by one of the following:

7.16 Lack of steam supply. Check that steam is turned on and that the strainers are clean.

7.17 Pipe assembly blocked. Remove by uncoupling unions and blow through to clear obstruction.

7.18 Diaphragm fractured.

Pilot valve packless gland leaking

7.19 If, with the control head removed and steam on the valve, steam is seen to be leaking from the top of the hexagon nut it indicates failure of the packless gland. Replace as Section 5, Steps 76 - 84.