



## Selection of Modulating Feedwater Valves Pneumatically Actuated

### Safety

Your attention is drawn to Safety Information Leaflet IM-GCM-10.

### 1. Selection of the valve body size

The standard valve for modulating boiler water level control is DN40 (1½") nominal pipe size (40 mm). A range of seat sizes to suit this body is available to suit most sizes of boilers. For very small or very large boilers, however, smaller or larger valves can be selected from the Spirax Sarco range (see overleaf). Valve stem seals are available in normal (PTFE) or high temperature (graphite) material. We recommend the use of the high temperature seal to decrease the possibility of leakage over long term use. Valves with high temperature stem seals are suffixed 'H'.

### 2. Selection of the valve body material and pressure rating

The valve body must be suitable for the maximum pressure and temperature in the feedwater line. Standard valve types are as follows:-

<b>KE71</b>	SG iron body, screwed end connections, PN25 rating (Pmax 25 bar g at 120°C).
<b>KE73</b>	SG iron body, flanged end connections, PN25 rating (Pmax 25 bar g at 120°C).
<b>KE43</b>	Cast steel body, flanged end connections, PN40 rating (Pmax 40 bar g at 120°C).

### 3. Selection of the valve K<sub>v</sub>

The DN40 valve body size is available with various seat sizes giving a choice of K<sub>v</sub> values. Use the graph to select a suitable K<sub>v</sub> as follows:

- The feedwater flowrate is the actual maximum steam generation rate of the boiler plus any blowdown rate where this is significant. In practice the use of the 'From and At' boiler rating will give a small safety margin. In the example this is 15 000 kg/h.
- The pressure drop across the valve is the feedpump pressure at the maximum flowrate, minus the boiler pressure, minus any valve and pipework losses. In the example the available pressure drop is 1.5 bar.
- Select the next larger K<sub>v</sub> value, 16 in this example. If right on the line, or if in doubt, select a larger K<sub>v</sub>.

### 4. Selection of the actuator and valve adaptor

The actuator has to be capable of shutting off against the maximum feedpump pressure to Class IV when the boiler is not under pressure. Select the actuator and valve adaptor from the Table below:-

Actuator type		PN9123E		PN9223E	
Valve size	Kv value	Maximum feedpump pressure bar g			
DN40	25.0	11.0	(8)	40	(40)
	16.0	11.0	(8)	40	(40)
	10.0	11.0	(8)	40	(40)
	6.3	11.0	(8)	40	(40)

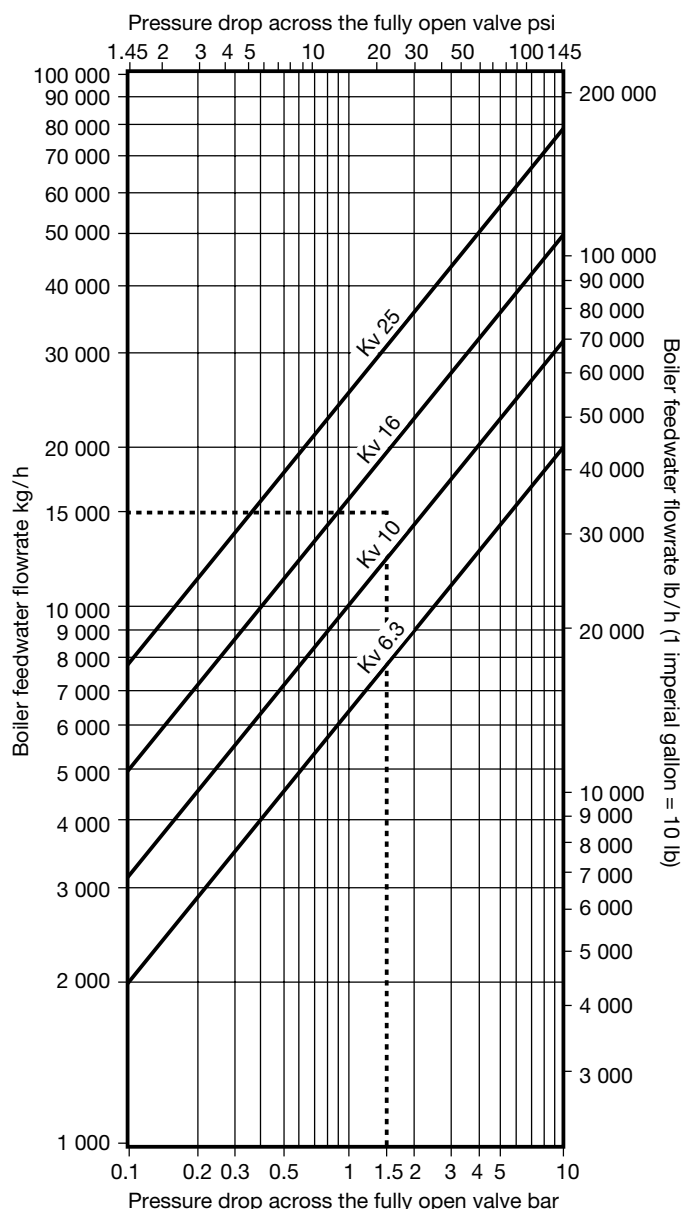
Figures in brackets denote the differential pressures for valves fitted with high temperature graphite stem sealing. These valves have a suffix 'H'.

Valve stroke is 20 mm.

### 5. Electropneumatic positioner

Specify EP5 positioner (4 - 20 mA input).

### Valve K<sub>v</sub> selection graph



## For line sizes other than DN40 (1½")

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The valve body must be suitable for the maximum pressure and temperature in the feedwater line. Standard valve types are as follows:-

<b>KE71</b>	SG iron body, screwed end connections, PN25 rating (Pmax 25 bar g at 120°C).
<b>KE73</b>	SG iron body, flanged end connections, PN25 rating (Pmax 25 bar g at 120°C).
<b>KE43</b>	Cast steel body, flanged end connections, PN40 rating (Pmax 40 bar g at 120°C).

Valve stem seals are available in normal (PTFE) or high temperature (graphite) material. We recommend the use of the high temperature seal to decrease the possibility of leakage over long term use. Valves with high temperature stem seals are suffixed 'H'.

### 3. Selection of the valve K<sub>v</sub>

Use the graph to select a suitable K<sub>v</sub> as follows:

- The feedwater flowrate is the actual maximum steam generation rate of the boiler plus any blowdown rate where this is significant. In practice the use of the 'From and At' boiler rating will give a small safety margin. In the example this is 15 000 kg/h.
- The pressure drop across the valve is the feedpump pressure at the maximum flowrate, minus the boiler pressure, minus any valve and pipework losses. In the example the available pressure drop is 1.5 bar.
- Select the next larger K<sub>v</sub> value, 16 in this example. If right on the line, or if in doubt, select a larger K<sub>v</sub>.

### 4. Selection of the actuator and valve adaptor

The actuator has to be capable of shutting off against the maximum feedpump pressure to Class IV when the boiler is not under pressure. Select the actuator and valve adaptor from the Table below:-

Actuator type		PN9123E		PN9223E	
Valve size	Kv value	Maximum feedpump pressure bar g			
DN50	36.0	7	(5)	38	(36)
	25.0	7	(5)	38	(36)
	16.0	7	(5)	38	(36)
	10.0	7	(5)	38	(36)
DN32	16.0	29	(23)	40	(40)
	10.0	29	(23)	40	(40)
	6.3	29	(23)	40	(40)
	4.0	29	(23)	40	(40)
DN25	10.0	37	(29)	40	(40)
	6.3	37	(29)	40	(40)
	4.0	37	(29)	40	(40)
	1.6	37	(29)	40	(40)
DN20	6.3	40	(40)	-	-
	4.0	40	(40)	-	-
	1.6	40	(40)	-	-
	1.0	40	(40)	-	-
DN15	4.0	40	(40)	-	-
	1.6	40	(40)	-	-
	1.0	40	(40)	-	-

Figures in brackets denote the differential pressures for valves fitted with high temperature graphite stem sealing. These valves have a suffix 'H'.

Valve stroke is 20 mm.

### 5. Electropneumatic positioner

Specify EP5 positioner (4 - 20 mA input).

### Valve K<sub>v</sub> selection graph

