

# 3-port valves

pneumatically actuated

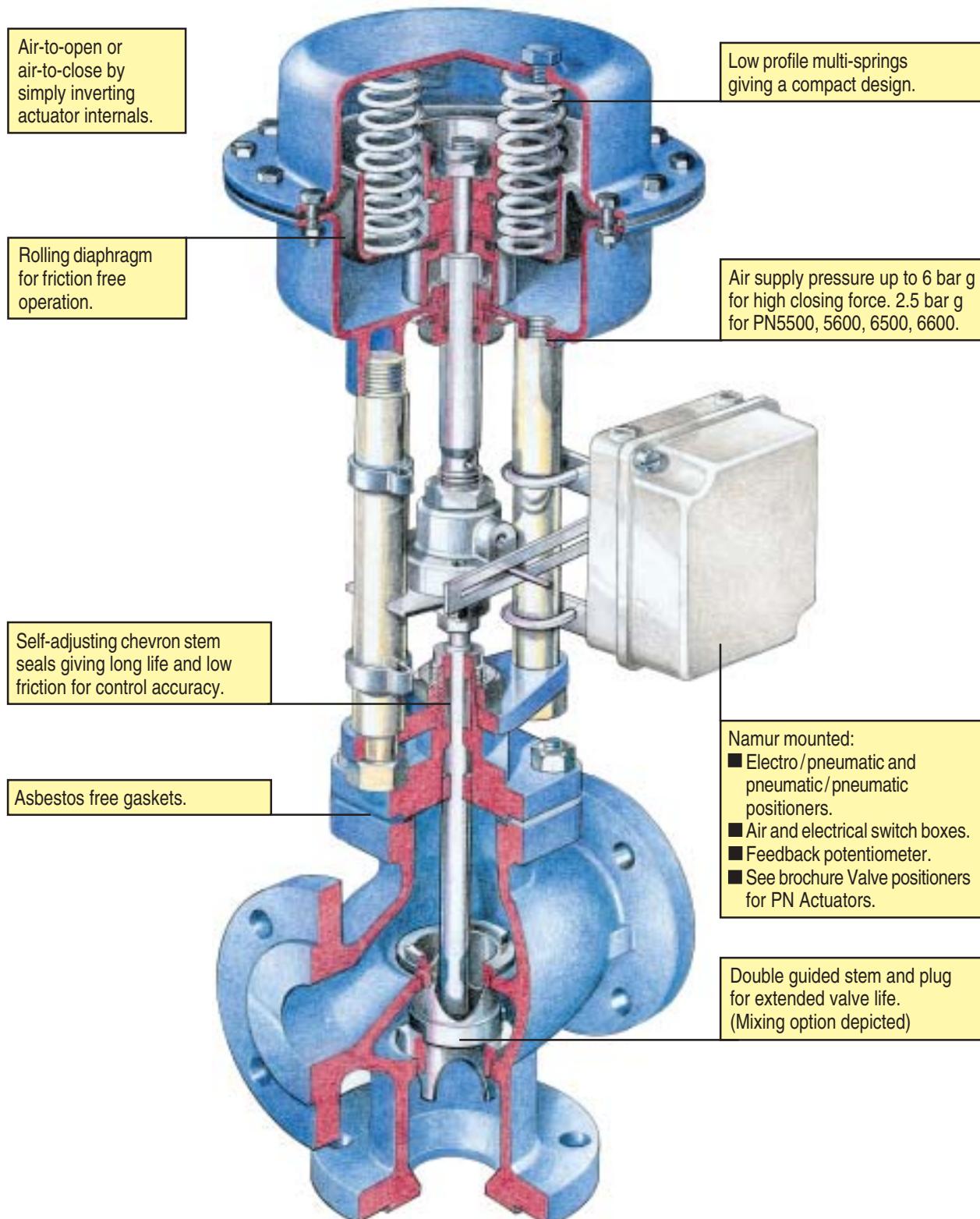


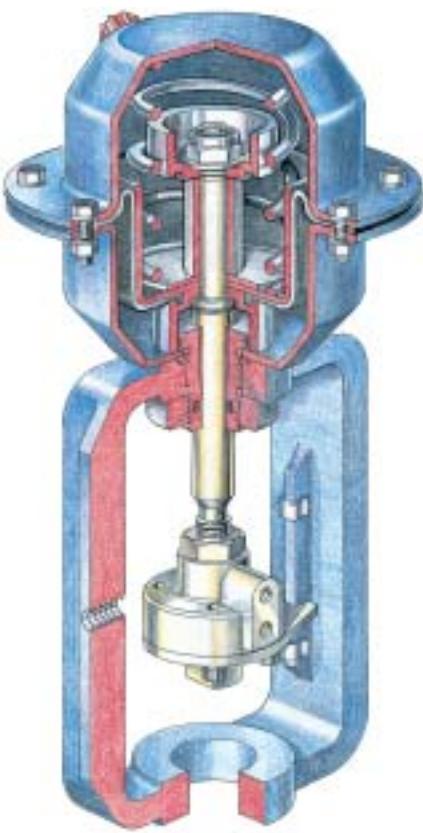
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# Pneumatically actuated valves for quality and accuracy in fluid control

The Spirax Sarco range of QL valves and pneumatic actuators are designed to give a comprehensive selection of control valves for use on water, oils, and most industrial fluids.

With valve body ratings up to 40 bar and a range of body materials to select from, the Spirax Sarco QL valve, coupled to either the PN5000 or PN6000 pneumatic diaphragm actuator, provides the complete solution for most flow, pressure or temperature control application.





Compact single spring units for use with DN15 to DN25 valves.

## User benefits

- Full range of control options for total solutions to most process control applications.
- One actuator for both air-to-open or air-to-close operation by inverting internals - simplifies selection and reduces both service and stocking costs.
- Range of control valve materials to match individual applications.
- The ability to mix and match valves to actuators makes selection easy and reduces both service and stocking costs.
- Rugged construction for extended reliability and minimum on line maintenance.
- High actuator pressure ratings give high closing forces at a competitive price.
- Spirax Sarco range uses clean dry factory air and saves the cost of instrument air.

## Valve options

| Operation | Model | Size DN  | Material   | Connections          | Maximum differential pressure | Maximum operating temperature |
|-----------|-------|----------|------------|----------------------|-------------------------------|-------------------------------|
| Mixing    | QL73  | 15 - 100 | SG iron    | Flanged BS 4504 PN25 | 25 bar                        | 250°C                         |
|           | QL43  | 15 - 100 | Cast steel | Flanged BS 4504 PN40 | 40 bar                        | 250°C                         |
| Diverting | QL73D | 15 - 100 | SG iron    | Flanged BS 4504 PN25 | 25 bar                        | 250°C                         |
|           | QL43D | 15 - 100 | Cast steel | Flanged BS 4504 PN40 | 40 bar                        | 250°C                         |

Note: See operating range charts on page 7

## Control options



**Electronic controllers:-**  
For pressure, temperature and flow control in processes which need a high level of control intelligence.



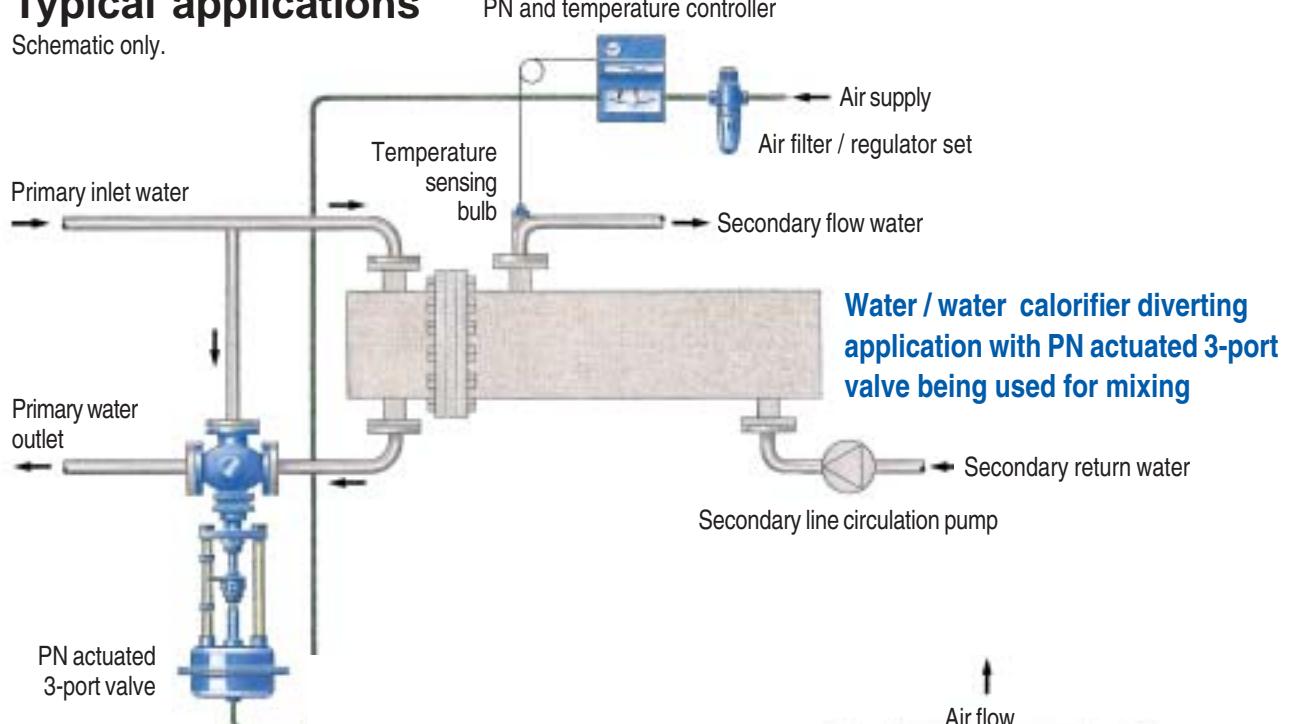
**Pneumatic controllers:-**  
safe and simple control of pressure and temperature of industrial processes.



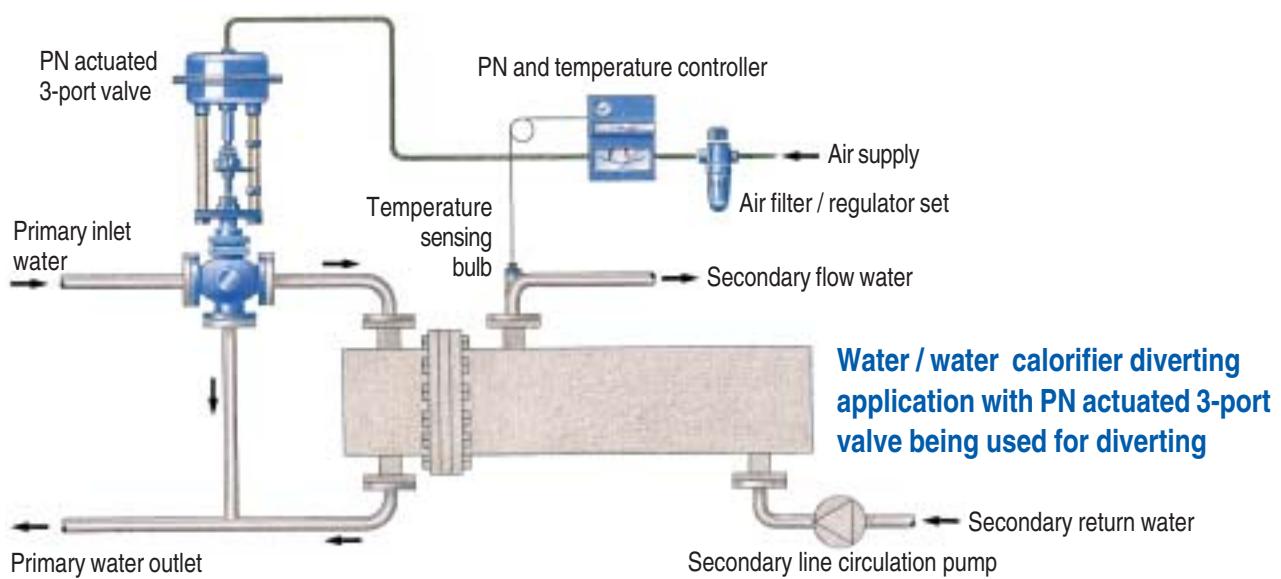
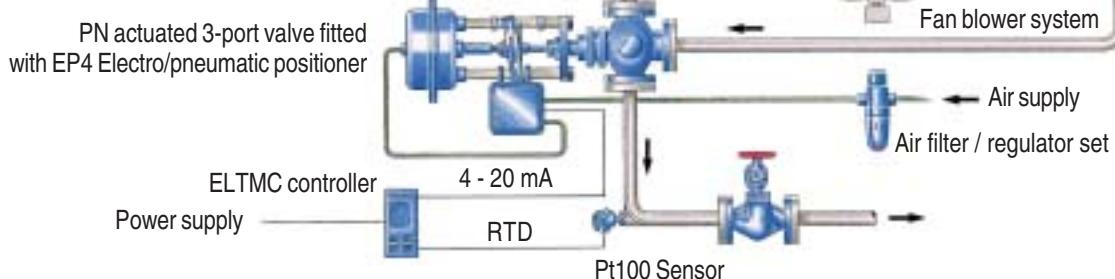
Sensor for temperature

## Typical applications

Schematic only.



### Cooling water control application using a PN actuated 3-port valve for mixing



# Valve sizing and selection for water

**Note:** For other liquids, the specific gravity ( $zg$ ) must be taken into account.

## Valve authority

The ratio of pressure drop across the valve when fully open to that across the complete circuit is termed the 'valve authority' ( $N$ ) and is expressed as:-

$$N = \frac{P_1}{P_1 + P_2}$$

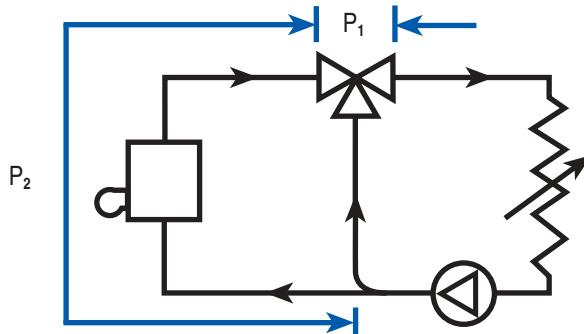
Where:-  $N$  = Valve authority

$P_1$  = Pressure drop across fully open valve

$P_2$  = Pressure drop across remainder of circuit

The following diagrams illustrate  $P_1$  and  $P_2$  more fully.

Valve authority is a means of selecting a valve size on a water system with due regard to economic viability and good control. When selecting a valve size, the valve authority should be between 0.2 and 0.5 (and preferably 0.5). This will ensure that each small valve movement will influence some authority over the flow whilst not excessively increasing pumping power costs. Valve authority will always relate to the circuit which has a varying flowrate.



Valve authority - Three-port mixing valve

## How to use the chart

The sizing chart below can be used to determine the  $K_V$  value of the required control valve for most water applications by plotting:-

- Inlet water pressure
- Valve pressure drop
- Water flow

Where the  $K_V$  value is already known, the chart can be used to determine valve pressure drop for any given flowrate. Having selected the valve  $K_V$  move to actuator and valve selection on pages 6 and 7.

## K<sub>V</sub> selection example

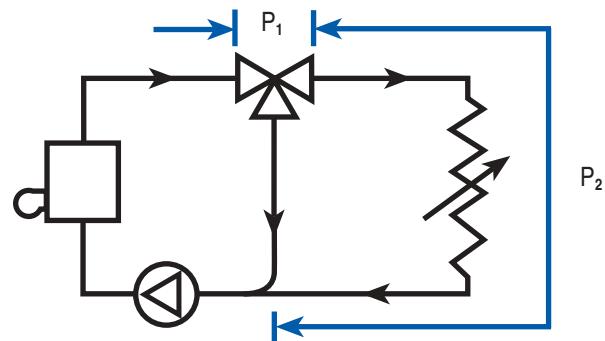
Heat exchanger has a MTHW demand of = 3.6 l/s  
Full load pressure drop  $\Delta p$  = 0.6 bar (established from valve authority)

Go to selection chart below

Draw horizontal line from 3.6 l/s. Run a vertical line from 0.6 bar until it crosses 3.6 l/s line.  $K_V$  is given at this crossing point. i.e.  $K_V = 17$

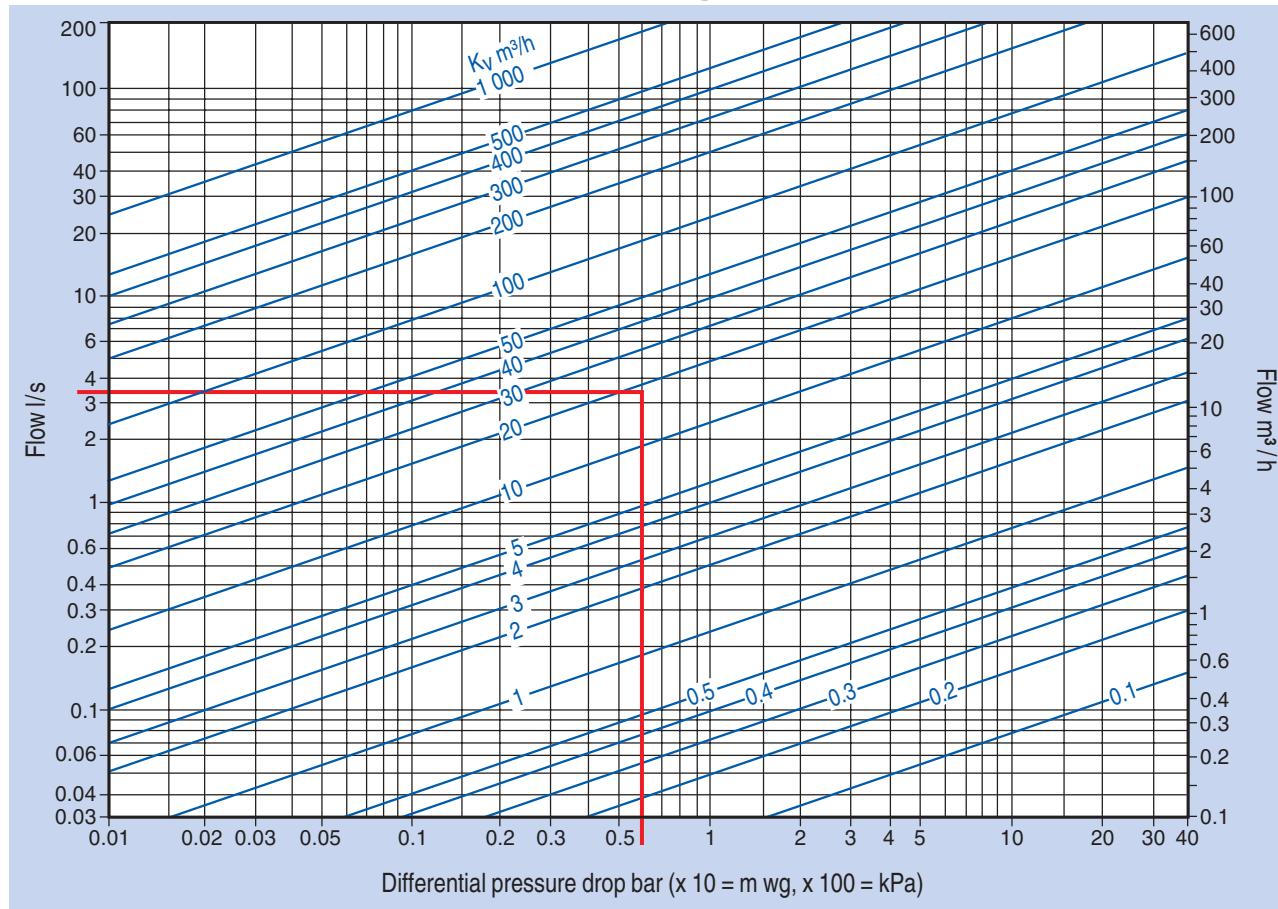
For valve size and actuator selection turn to pages 6 and 7.

$$Q = K_V \sqrt{\Delta p} \quad Q = \text{Water flow m}^3/\text{h} \quad \Delta p = \text{Pressure drop bar}$$



Valve authority - Three-port diverting valve

## Water sizing chart



# Actuator selection

## Actuator selection example

Having selected the  $K_V$  value, the valve and actuator size can be determined from the selection chart below, starting in the  $K_{Vs}$  value row and moving horizontally until the next highest value to the selected  $K_V$  is seen. By moving vertically upwards the valve size is determined and vertically downwards until the closed valve maximum differential pressure is found. Moving horizontally left will indicate whether a positioner is required and will determine the appropriate actuator and the minimum air pressure required to actuate the valve.

**Valve  $K_V = 17$**  **Air pressure available = 2 bar g**  
**Maximum differential pressure 0.6 bar**

Entering the chart at the  $K_{Vs}$  row, the next highest value to the selected  $K_V$  is 17 which has a valve size of DN32. Moving vertically downwards the differential pressure selection 2.3 bar for both the spring extend and spring retract actuators.

Air pressure required is 1.2 bar g and positioners are optional.  
Final selection = DN32

QL valve with either PN5220 or PN6220 actuator. Where the first selection does not match available air pressure, select a larger actuator.

## Differential pressures for QL valves and PN5000 / 6000 series actuators

### PN5000 series spring extend (plug down)

### PN6000 series spring retract (plug up)

| 5000 series<br>Fail close | 6000 series<br>Fail open | Spring range | Minimum air pressure required bar g | Positioner required | QL valves   |    |     |     |                       |     |     |     |     |
|---------------------------|--------------------------|--------------|-------------------------------------|---------------------|---|----|-----|-----|-----------------------|-----|-----|-----|-----|
|                           |                          |              |                                     |                     | Size DN   |    |     |     | Size DN               |     |     |     |     |
|                           |                          |              |                                     |                     | 15  | 20 | 25  | 32  | 40                    | 50  | 65  | 80  |     |
|                           |                          |              |                                     |                     | 20 mm travel  |    |     |     |                       |     |     |     |     |
|                           |                          |              |                                     |                     | K <sub>Vs</sub> value                                 |    |     |     | K <sub>Vs</sub> value |     |     |     |     |
|                           |                          |              |                                     |                     | 4   | 6  | 10  | 17  | 25                    | 35  | 62  | 100 | 130 |
|                           |                          |              |                                     |                     | Maximum valve differential pressure ( $\Delta p$ )bar |    |     |     |                       |     |     |     |     |
| 5120*                     | 6120*                    | 0.2 - 1.0    | 1.2                                 | Optional            | 3   | 3  | 1.0 | -   | -                     | -   | -   | -   | -   |
|                           |                          | 0.4 - 1.2    | 1.6                                 | Optional            | 7   | 7  | 3.4 | -   | -                     | -   | -   | -   | -   |
| 5121*                     | 6121*                    | 0.2 - 0.6    | 1.2                                 | Yes                 | 3   | 3  | 1.0 | -   | -                     | -   | -   | -   | -   |
| 5122*                     | 6122*                    | 0.6 - 1.0    | 1.6                                 | Yes                 | 11  | 11 | 5.9 | -   | -                     | -   | -   | -   | -   |
| 5123*                     | 6123*                    | 2.0 - 4.0    | 6.0                                 | Yes                 | 38  | 38 | 23  | -   | -                     | -   | -   | -   | -   |
| 5125*                     | 6125*                    | 0.4 - 2.0    | 2.5                                 | Yes                 | 7   | 7  | 3.4 | -   | -                     | -   | -   | -   | -   |
| 5220                      | 6220                     | 0.2 - 1.0    | 1.2                                 | Optional            | 7   | 7  | 4   | 2.3 | 1                     | -   | -   | -   | -   |
|                           |                          | 0.4 - 1.2    | 1.6                                 | Optional            | 17  | 17 | 10  | 6   | 3.5                   | 1.7 | -   | -   | -   |
| 5221                      | 6221                     | 0.2 - 0.6    | 1.2                                 | Optional            | 7   | 7  | 4   | 2.3 | 1                     | -   | -   | -   | -   |
| 5222                      | 6222                     | 0.6 - 1.0    | 1.6                                 | Optional            | 26  | 26 | 16  | 9.5 | 5.8                   | 3.2 | -   | -   | -   |
| 5223                      | 6223                     | 2.0 - 4.0    | 6.0                                 | Yes                 | 40  | 40 | 40  | 34  | 22                    | 13  | -   | -   | -   |
| 5225                      | 6225                     | 0.4 - 2.0    | 2.5                                 | Yes                 | 17  | 17 | 10  | 6   | 3.5                   | 1.7 | -   | -   | -   |
| 5320                      | 6320                     | 0.2 - 1.0    | 1.2                                 | Optional            | 11  | 11 | 7   | 4   | 2                     | 1   | -   | -   | -   |
|                           |                          | 0.4 - 1.2    | 1.6                                 | Optional            | 26  | 26 | 15  | 9.5 | 5.5                   | 3   | -   | -   | -   |
| 5321                      | 6321                     | 0.2 - 0.6    | 1.2                                 | Optional            | 11  | 11 | 7   | 4   | 2                     | 1   | -   | -   | -   |
| 5322                      | 6322                     | 0.6 - 1.0    | 1.6                                 | Optional            | 40  | 40 | 24  | 15  | 9                     | 5   | -   | -   | -   |
| 5323                      | 6323                     | 2.0 - 4.0    | 6.0                                 | Yes                 | 40  | 40 | 40  | 40  | 34                    | 20  | -   | -   | -   |
| 5325                      | 6325                     | 0.4 - 2.0    | 2.5                                 | Yes                 | 25  | 25 | 15  | 9.5 | 5.5                   | 3   | -   | -   | -   |
| 5330                      | 6330                     | 0.4 - 1.2    | 1.6                                 | Optional            | -   | -  | -   | -   | -                     | -   | 0.7 | -   | -   |
| 5333                      | 6333                     | 2.0 - 4.0    | 6.0                                 | Yes                 | -   | -  | -   | -   | -                     | -   | 11  | 7   | 4   |
| 5335                      | 6335                     | 0.4 - 2.0    | 2.5                                 | Yes                 | -   | -  | -   | -   | -                     | -   | 0.7 | -   | -   |
| 5420                      | 6420                     | 0.2 - 1.0    | 1.2                                 | Optional            | 19  | 19 | 10  | 6.5 | 3.6                   | 2   | -   | -   | -   |
|                           |                          | 0.4 - 1.2    | 1.6                                 | Optional            | 40  | 40 | 23  | 14  | 9                     | 5   | -   | -   | -   |
| 5421                      | 6421                     | 0.2 - 0.6    | 1.2                                 | Optional            | 19  | 19 | 10  | 6.5 | 3.6                   | 2   | -   | -   | -   |
| 5422                      | 6422                     | 0.6 - 1.0    | 1.6                                 | Optional            | 40  | 40 | 36  | 22  | 14                    | 8   | -   | -   | -   |
| 5423                      | 6423                     | 2.0 - 4.0    | 6.0                                 | Yes                 | 40  | 40 | 40  | 40  | 40                    | 30  | -   | -   | -   |
| 5425                      | 6425                     | 0.4 - 2.0    | 2.5                                 | Yes                 | 40  | 40 | 23  | 14  | 9                     | 5   | -   | -   | -   |
| 5430                      | 6430                     | 0.4 - 1.2    | 1.6                                 | Optional            | -   | -  | -   | -   | -                     | -   | 2.3 | 1.3 | 0.5 |
| 5433                      | 6433                     | 2.0 - 4.0    | 6.0                                 | Yes                 | -   | -  | -   | -   | -                     | -   | 18  | 12  | 7   |
| 5435                      | 6435                     | 0.4 - 2.0    | 2.5                                 | Yes                 | -   | -  | -   | -   | -                     | -   | 2.3 | 1.3 | 0.5 |
| 5520                      | 6520                     | 0.2 - 1.0    | 1.2                                 | Optional            | 40  | 40 | 21  | 14  | 8.5                   | 5   | -   | -   | -   |
|                           |                          | 0.4 - 1.2    | 1.6                                 | Optional            | 40  | 40 | 40  | 29  | 18                    | 11  | -   | -   | -   |
| 5524                      | 6524                     | 0.8 - 1.5    | 2.3                                 | Yes                 | 40  | 40 | 40  | 40  | 40                    | 23  | -   | -   | -   |
| 5525                      | 6525                     | 0.4 - 2.0    | 2.5                                 | Yes                 | 40  | 40 | 40  | 29  | 18                    | 11  | -   | -   | -   |
| 5530                      | 6530                     | 0.2 - 1.0    | 1.2                                 | Optional            | -   | -  | -   | -   | -                     | -   | 2.4 | 1.3 | 0.5 |
|                           |                          | 0.4 - 1.2    | 1.6                                 | Optional            | -   | -  | -   | -   | -                     | -   | 6   | 4   | 2   |
| 5534                      | 6534                     | 0.8 - 1.5    | 2.3                                 | Yes                 | -   | -  | -   | -   | -                     | -   | 14  | 9   | 5   |
| 5535                      | 6535                     | 0.4 - 2.0    | 2.5                                 | Yes                 | -   | -  | -   | -   | -                     | -   | 6   | 4   | 2   |
| 5620                      | 6620                     | 0.2 - 1.0    | 1.2                                 | Optional            | 40  | 40 | 33  | 20  | 13                    | 7.6 | -   | -   | -   |
|                           |                          | 0.4 - 1.2    | 1.6                                 | Optional            | 40  | 40 | 40  | 40  | 26                    | 16  | -   | -   | -   |
| 5624                      | 6624                     | 0.8 - 1.5    | 2.3                                 | Yes                 | 40  | 40 | 40  | 40  | 40                    | 33  | -   | -   | -   |
| 5625                      | 6625                     | 0.4 - 2.0    | 2.5                                 | Yes                 | 40  | 40 | 40  | 40  | 26                    | 16  | -   | -   | -   |
| 5630                      | 6630                     | 0.2 - 1.0    | 1.2                                 | Optional            | -   | -  | -   | -   | -                     | -   | 3.8 | 2.3 | 1   |
|                           |                          | 0.4 - 1.2    | 1.6                                 | Optional            | -   | -  | -   | -   | -                     | -   | 9   | 6   | 3   |
| 5634                      | 6634                     | 0.8 - 1.5    | 2.3                                 | Yes                 | -   | -  | -   | -   | -                     | -   | 20  | 13  | 7   |
| 5635                      | 6635                     | 0.4 - 2.0    | 2.5                                 | Yes                 | -   | -  | -   | -   | -                     | -   | 9   | 6   | 3   |

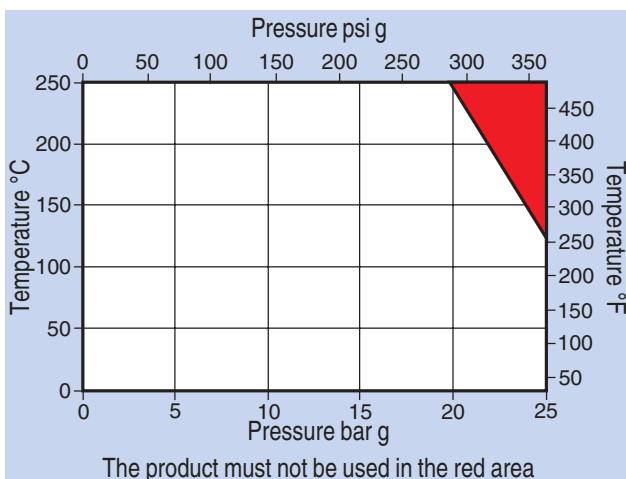
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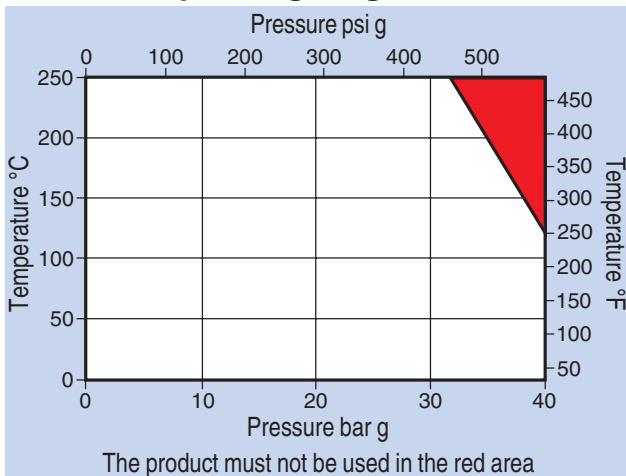
## Technical data valves

|                     |                          |       |
|---------------------|--------------------------|-------|
| Plug design         | Parabolic vee port       |       |
| Maximum leakage     | <0.01% of K <sub>v</sub> |       |
| Flow characteristic | Linear                   |       |
| Rangeability        | 30:1                     |       |
| Travel              | DN15 to 50               | 20 mm |
|                     | DN65 to 100              | 30 mm |

## Operating range QL73



## Operating range QL43



## Materials for all valves

|               |                                |                      |
|---------------|--------------------------------|----------------------|
| Valve plug    | Stainless steel                | BS 970 431 S29       |
| Valve seat    | Stainless steel                | BS 970 431 S29       |
| Valve stem    | Stainless steel                | BS 970 431 S29       |
| Gland rings   | PTFE chevrons                  | 25 % Carbon/graphite |
| Bonnet gasket | Reinforced exfoliated graphite |                      |

## QL73 Range

|        |         |                   |
|--------|---------|-------------------|
| Body   | SG iron | DIN 1693 GGG 40.3 |
| Bonnet | SG iron | DIN 1693 GGG 40.3 |

## QL43 Range

|        |              |                  |
|--------|--------------|------------------|
| Body   | Cast steel   | DIN 17245 GS C25 |
| Bonnet | Forged steel | DIN 16 Mn Cr5    |

## Maximum valve differential pressures

|      |        |
|------|--------|
| QL73 | 25 bar |
| QL43 | 40 bar |

## Technical data actuators

|                                |              |
|--------------------------------|--------------|
| Maximum air operating pressure |              |
| 5100 and 6100 series*          | 6.0 bar      |
| 5200 and 6200 series           | 6.0 bar      |
| 5300 and 6300 series           | 6.0 bar      |
| 5400 and 6400 series           | 6.0 bar      |
| 5500 and 6500 series           | 2.5 bar      |
| 5600 and 6600 series           | 2.5 bar      |
| Temperature range              | -20 to 110°C |
| Linearity                      | 2%           |
| Hysteresis                     | 3 % max      |

## Air supply connection

| Actuator type         | Connection |
|-----------------------|------------|
| 5100 and 6100 series* | 1/8" BSP   |
| 5200 and 6200 series  | 1/8" BSP   |
| 5300 and 6300 series  | 1/4" BSP   |
| 5400 and 6400 series  | 1/4" BSP   |
| 5500 and 6500 series  | 1/4" NPT   |
| 5600 and 6600 series  | 1/4" NPT   |

## Compressed air consumption

| Actuator type         | Travel | Volume - Ltrs normal |
|-----------------------|--------|----------------------|
| 5100 and 6100 series* | 20 mm  | 0.33                 |
| 5200 and 6200 series  | 20 mm  | 0.99                 |
| 5300 and 6300 series  | 20 mm  | 1.39                 |
|                       | 30 mm  | 1.65                 |
| 5400 and 6400 series  | 20 mm  | 2.36                 |
|                       | 30 mm  | 2.78                 |
| 5500 and 6500 series  | 20 mm  | 6.20                 |
|                       | 30 mm  | 7.10                 |
| 5600 and 6600 series  | 20 mm  | 8.40                 |
|                       | 30 mm  | 9.60                 |

## Materials

|                   |                                  |
|-------------------|----------------------------------|
| Diaphragm housing | Pressed steel                    |
| Rolling diaphragm | Fabric reinforced nitrile rubber |
| Spring            | Spring steel                     |
| Yoke              | 5100 and 6100 series only*       |
|                   | Aluminium                        |
| Pillars           | excluding 5100 and 6100 series   |
|                   | Steel                            |
| Spindle           | Stainless steel                  |

\*Note: 5100 and 6100 series are single spring actuators only.

## Typical specification

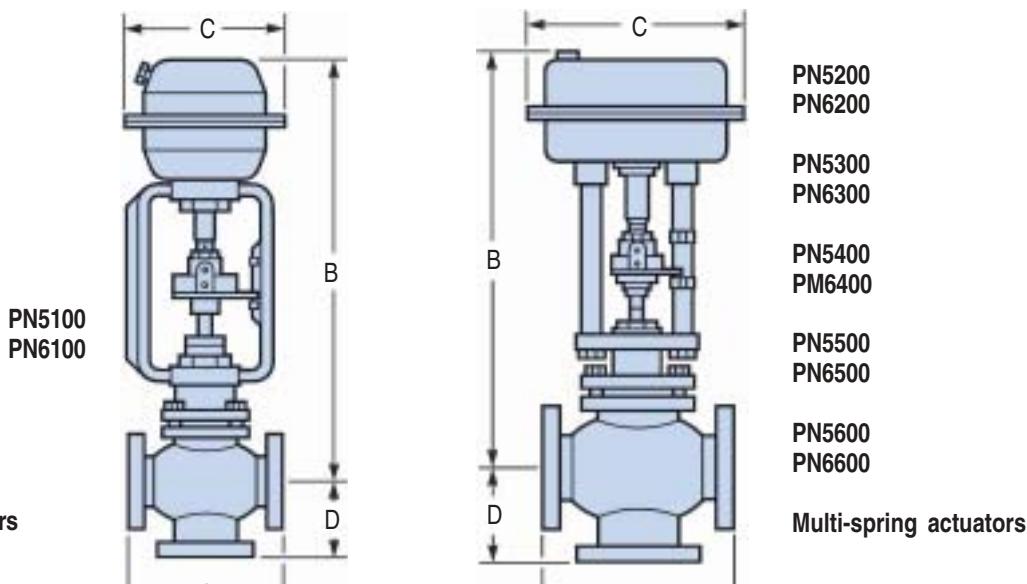
The pneumatic control shall be a DN65 Spirax Sarco QL43 cast steel 3-port control valve with all stainless steel internals and parabolic vee flow characteristics flanged to BS 4504 PN40 and coupled to a Spirax Sarco PN5333 actuator.

The actuator shall incorporate low profile springs and rolling diaphragm and be designed to provide on site conversion from 'plug up' to 'plug down' operation.

Pneumatic to pneumatic positioners shall be provided with 'NAMUR' standard mountings.

# Technical information

Dimensions  
approximate  
in mm



## QL73 and QL43 3-port valves

| Size          | DN15 | DN20 | DN25 | DN32 | DN40 | DN50 | DN65 | DN80 | DN100 |     |
|---------------|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|-------|-----|
| Flanged valve | A    | 130  | 150  | 160  | 180  | 200  | 230  | 290  | 310   | 350 |
|               | D    | 90   | 95   | 100  | 105  | 115  | 125  | 145  | 155   | 175 |

## PN 5100/6100 series actuator - single spring

|              |      |         |         |   |   |   |   |   |   |
|--------------|------|---------|---------|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| B            | 393  | 393     | 397     | - | - | - | - | - | - |
| C            | 147  | 147     | 147     | - | - | - | - | - | - |
| Total weight | 9 kg | 10.3 kg | 12.2 kg | - | - | - | - | - | - |

## PN 5200/6200 series actuator - multi-spring

|              |         |         |         |       |         |         |   |   |   |
|--------------|---------|---------|---------|-------|---------|---------|---|---|---|
| B            | 429     | 429     | 433     | 448   | 461     | 467     | - | - | - |
| C            | 217     | 217     | 217     | 217   | 217     | 217     | - | - | - |
| Total weight | 11.6 kg | 12.9 kg | 14.8 kg | 17 kg | 20.5 kg | 24.5 kg | - | - | - |

## PN 5300/6300 series actuator - multi-spring

|              |         |         |         |         |         |         |         |         |         |
|--------------|---------|---------|---------|---------|---------|---------|---------|---------|---------|
| B            | 435     | 435     | 439     | 454     | 467     | 473     | 490     | 495     | 510     |
| C            | 251     | 251     | 251     | 251     | 251     | 251     | 251     | 251     | 251     |
| Total weight | 14.9 kg | 16.2 kg | 18.1 kg | 20.3 kg | 23.8 kg | 27.8 kg | 40.3 kg | 50.1 kg | 57.8 kg |

## PN 5400/6400 series actuator - multi-spring

|              |         |         |         |       |         |         |       |         |         |
|--------------|---------|---------|---------|-------|---------|---------|-------|---------|---------|
| B            | 472     | 472     | 476     | 491   | 504     | 510     | 527   | 537     | 547     |
| C            | 305     | 305     | 305     | 305   | 305     | 305     | 305   | 305     | 305     |
| Total weight | 21.6 kg | 22.9 kg | 24.8 kg | 27 kg | 30.5 kg | 34.5 kg | 47 kg | 56.8 kg | 64.5 kg |

## PN 5500/6500 series actuator - multi-spring

|              |         |         |         |       |         |         |       |         |         |
|--------------|---------|---------|---------|-------|---------|---------|-------|---------|---------|
| B            | 505     | 505     | 509     | 524   | 537     | 543     | 560   | 565     | 580     |
| C            | 405     | 405     | 405     | 405   | 405     | 405     | 405   | 405     | 405     |
| Total weight | 31.6 kg | 32.9 kg | 34.8 kg | 37 kg | 40.5 kg | 44.5 kg | 57 kg | 66.8 kg | 74.5 kg |

## PN 5600/6600 series actuator - multi-spring

|              |         |         |         |       |         |         |       |         |         |
|--------------|---------|---------|---------|-------|---------|---------|-------|---------|---------|
| B            | 505     | 505     | 509     | 524   | 537     | 543     | 560   | 565     | 580     |
| C            | 465     | 465     | 465     | 465   | 465     | 465     | 465   | 465     | 465     |
| Total weight | 41.6 kg | 42.9 kg | 44.8 kg | 47 kg | 50.5 kg | 54.5 kg | 67 kg | 76.8 kg | 84.5 kg |

Some of the products shown may not be available in certain markets.

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