

Valve Bag Air Packer

Model A



Operation and Maintenance Manual



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Safety Alert Symbols

The  symbol indicates that important personal safety information follows. Carefully read this text for the warnings information it contains. The signal word next to each safety alert symbol is defined as:



WARNING

Indicates a potentially hazardous situation that, if not avoided, could result in death or serious injury.



CAUTION



Indicates a potentially hazardous situation that, if not avoided, may result in minor or moderate injury, or damage to the equipment. This single word may also be used to identify unsafe practices.



LOCKOUT

This symbol will be used anytime that a procedure requires an electrical lockout.

Static Sensitive Symbols for Equipment Handling Instructions

The  and  symbols indicate important handling guidelines for proper handling of electronic equipment modules and sensitive components for the prevention of potential damage that could be caused by ESD (electrostatic discharge) during routine maintenance, handling and transportation.



ESD NOTICE

To protect against ESD damage to electronic equipment, follow the Standard ESD Prevention Procedures. Failure to use protective measures could result in permanent equipment damage, either immediate or latent, when handling modules.



ESD NOTICE

To protect against ESD damage to electronic equipment containing components, follow the Standard ESD Prevention Procedures. Failure to use recommended protective measures could result in permanent equipment damage, either immediate or latent, when handling components.

Standard Electro-static Discharge (ESD) Prevention Procedures

The Model A Air Packer utilizes many electronic components that are susceptible to damage from Electro Static Discharge. Anytime electronic components are serviced, the following precautions should be followed:

1. Wear a commercial grounding wrist strap.
2. Remove power from the machine.
3. Leave all static sensitive components in their protective packaging until it is time to install the component
4. Always hold static sensitive components by their metal mounting tabs, and/or by their edges

Important/Notable Information

While all of the information in this manual is important, there are some pieces of information where special attention needs to be paid to avoid equipment damage, or specific information needs to be emphasized. This information will be handled as follows:

Important: Indicates an operating procedure, practice, or condition that, if not strictly followed, may cause equipment damage.

Note: Indicates additional information or emphasizes a topic related to the subject being discussed.

Personal Safety Instructions

Only qualified personnel should work on or around this equipment. To ensure the highest degree of personal safety, all who use this equipment are required to become thoroughly familiar with all safety instructions contained in this document. Successful and safe operation of this equipment depends upon proper handling, operation, maintenance, and application of associated equipment. Refer to Appendix A of this manual for all safety instructions. Safety instructions are also provided where they apply within the body of this manual.



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Chapter 1

Product Description

1.1 General Description

This chapter will provide a high-level product description of the Model A Air Packer.

1.2 Introduction

The Magnum Systems Model A is an air packer. The Model A is has been designed to package both granular and powdered products. Depending on how the Model A is equipped, the Model A can handle weighments from 20 to 125 lbs. (9 kg. to 56.5 kg.).

The Model A comes standard with a T4000 control set, but is also available with an optional T3000 control set.

The Model A can be used to package food and non-food materials. In non-food applications, painted components are used. In food applications, any component that comes in contact with the food product must be stainless steel to avoid possible contamination of the food material.

1.3 Manual Scope

This manual will provide information on installation, operation, preventive maintenance, troubleshooting, and repair of the Model A.

The appendices will include safety information, spare parts list, mechanical and electrical drawings, and information regarding any custom features.

1.4 Electrical Requirements

The Model A requires two distinct voltages to operate. One voltage source is required for the controls, and a separate voltage source is required for the blower motor. The electronic controls operate on 115 VAC, 60 Hertz, single-phase power. The blower motor requires either 230 VAC, 3-phase, 60 Hz or 460VAC, 3-phase, 60 Hz.

***Note:** The buyer must provide circuit protection and a local circuit disconnect.*

1.5 Pneumatic Requirements

The Model A uses approximately 15 SCFM (425 liters/minute) @ 80-100 PSI (.55-.69 MPa) of compressed air. Magnum Systems recommends that the air supply line be equipped with a refrigerated air dryer, or at the very least a water separator.

1.6 Dust Collection Requirements

If the bagging process will generate dust, the conduit fittings must be dust-tight and satisfy any hazard requirements for the product and site.

Use the 4-inch O.D. dust pickup spout on the back of the dust shroud to connect the Model A to a dust collection system. The dust collection duct should have a blast gate to control the flow of air at the spout. Excessive airflow could create vacuum forces at the spout and affect weights.

1.7 Major Systems and Components

When working with the Model A, it is important to understand the major systems and components of the unit. The breakdown is as follows:

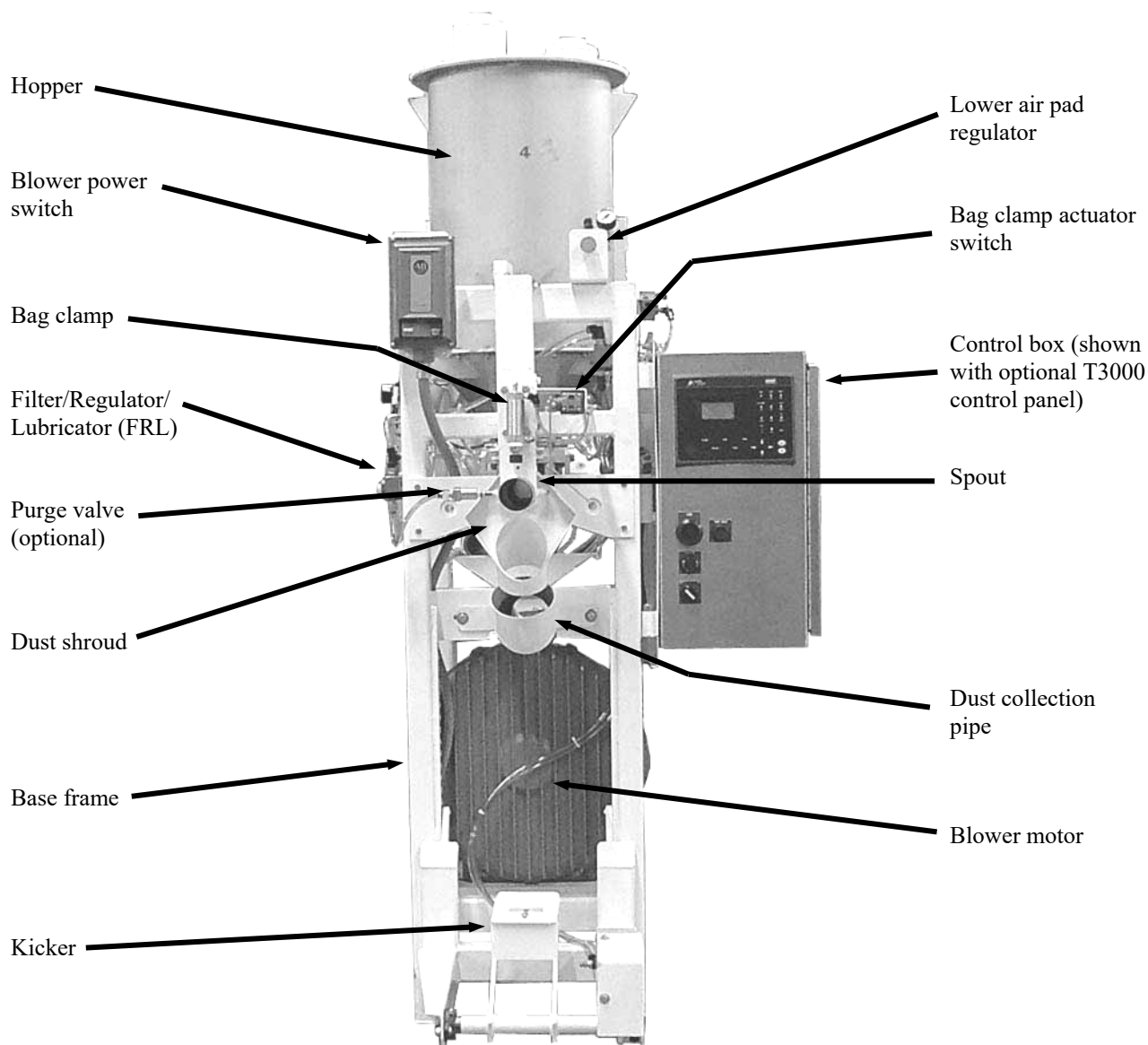


Figure 1-1. Major Components (Front View)

1.7.1 Base Frame

The base frame is the backbone of the Model A. It provides a support structure for the all of the other components that make up the Model A.

1.7.2 Hopper

The hopper is mounted at the top of the Model A. It is used as a reservoir for the material that is to be packaged using the Model A. The hopper is loaded from the top via a butterfly valve. The material is forced by air pressure out of the bottom of the hopper to the spout.

The Model A comes standard with a hopper that has a capacity of 4200 cubic inches. The hopper includes five air pads that provide aeration to the product to assist the product in flowing out of the hopper to the spout.

1.7.3 Butterfly Valve

The standard Model A air packer comes equipped with a 10-inch butterfly valve. There are two optional 12-inch butterfly valves that are available. The first is a 12-inch version of the standard butterfly valve. The second is a Posiflate butterfly valve that is used when packaging abrasive products.

The butterfly valve is controlled by air pressure and utilizes a rack and pinion actuator to open and close the valve. This valve controls the flow of the product from the customer supplied product delivery system.

When the butterfly valve is closed, it must provide an airtight seal for the top of the hopper. This allows the air pressure in the hopper to build and push the product out through the spout.

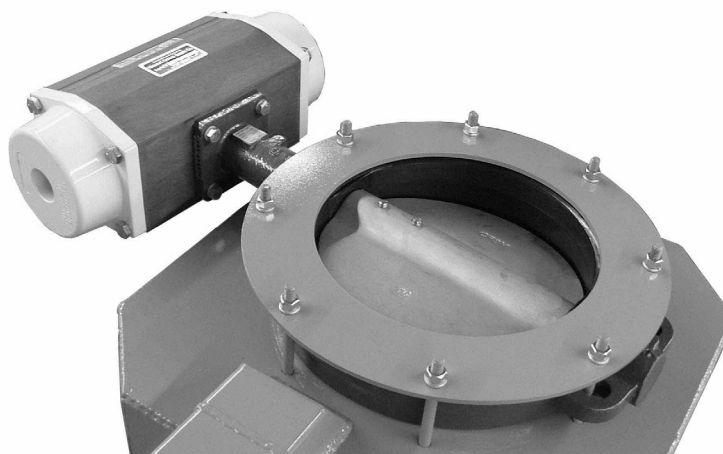



Figure 1-2. Butterfly Valve

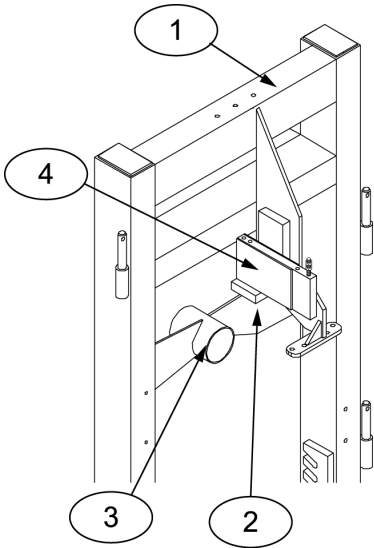
1.7.4 Load Cell

The load cell is used to sense the weight of the material in the package. As material is loaded into the package, the load is applied to the load cell in a linear fashion. As the load increases, the voltage output from the load cell increases.



CAUTION

A sudden jerk or shock, such as being struck by a tool or hitting the spout, etc., can cause load cell damage. The load cell is NOT covered by warranty.



Item #	Description	Item #	Description
1	Base Frame	3	Product Feed
2	Load Cell Mount	4	Load Cell

Figure 1-3. Load Cell

1.7.5 Spout

The Model A uses a valve bag spout for transferring the product into the package. The spout is connected to the hopper using a gum rubber fill tube. There are several optional spouts that are available:

- Tapered spout – equipped with a tapered sleeve to better seal the package opening and help control dust.
- Spout with inflatable bladder – uses an inflatable rubber bladder to seal the package opening. This method provides the best dust control.
- Purged spout – uses a jet of pressurized air to clear product from the spout at the end of the fill cycle. This prevents product from dribbling out of the spout once the package is removed.

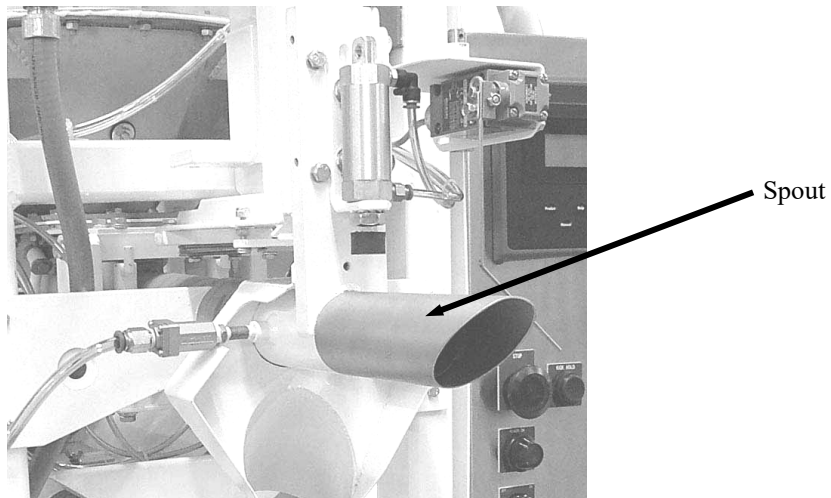


Figure 1-4. Spout (Purged Spout Shown)

The spout also provides the mounting points for the dust shroud and the bag clamp cylinder mount.

1.7.6 Flex Leaves

The Model A uses two flex leaves to stabilize the spout assembly and to make sure that the weight of the package is transferred to the load cell in a linear fashion. For proper operation, the flex leaves must be parallel and level. The flex leaves are installed and leveled during the construction of the Model A. When the Model A is installed and leveled, the flex leaves should remain level.

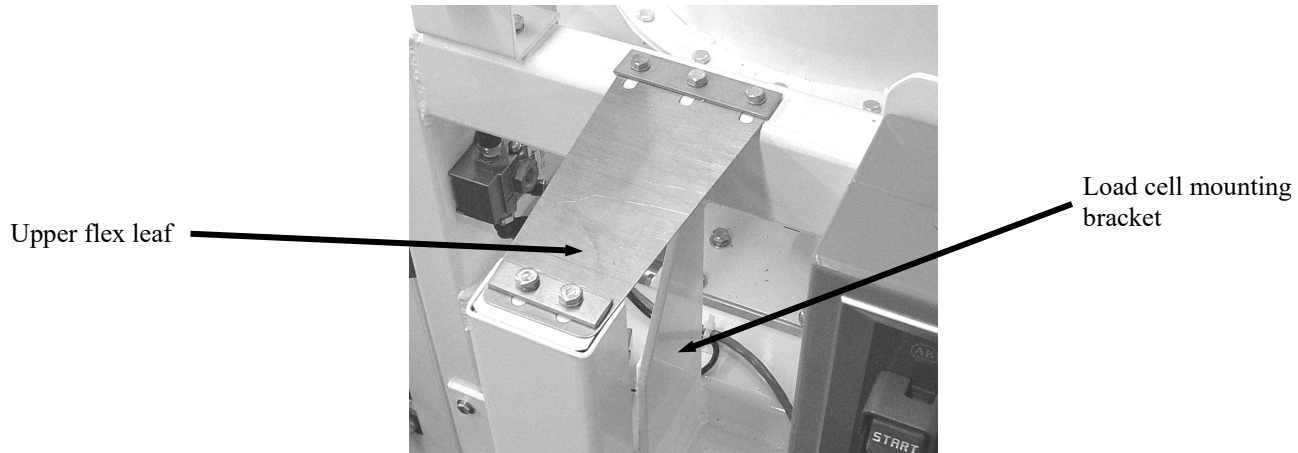


Figure 1-5. Upper Flex Leaf

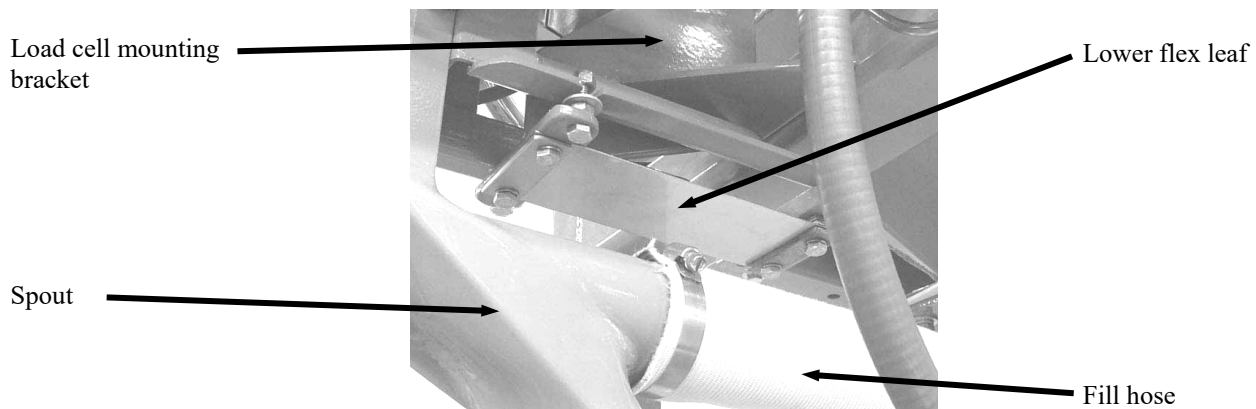


Figure 1-6. Lower Flex Leaf

1.7.7 Blower Motor

The blower motor provides the air pressure that is used to force the product from the hopper, through the spout, and into the package. The blower motor is mounted on the lower rails of the base frame. On the rear of the motor assembly, there are two ports. One is the air inlet, and the other is the air outlet. The blower motor has its own power switches that are mounted in their own control box on the front of the Model A.

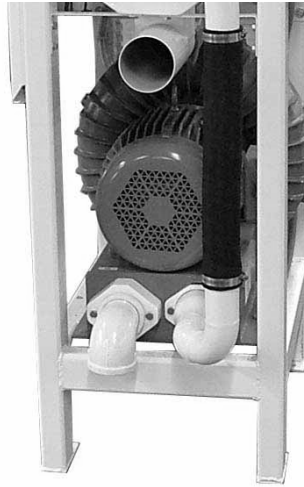


Figure 1-7. Blower Motor (Rear View, Filter Removed)



Figure 1-8. Blower Motor Power Switch

1.7.8 Intake Air Filter

The blower motor must pull air from the surrounding environment. Depending on the location of the unit, this air may contain dust or other contaminants that could damage components or contaminate the product being packaged. To prevent this, an optional blower intake filter can be added to the inlet of the blower motor. The filter will remove these contaminants before the air enters the blower motor. The filter is located on the rear side of the Model A. The filter element is mounted over a cage type of mount and is held in place by a wing nut.



Figure 1-9. Intake Air Filter

1.7.9 Bag Clamp

The Model A uses a pneumatic back clamp that is mounted on the front of the unit, directly above the spout. This clamp is used to prevent the bag from being pushed off of the spout by the pressurized product flowing into the package.

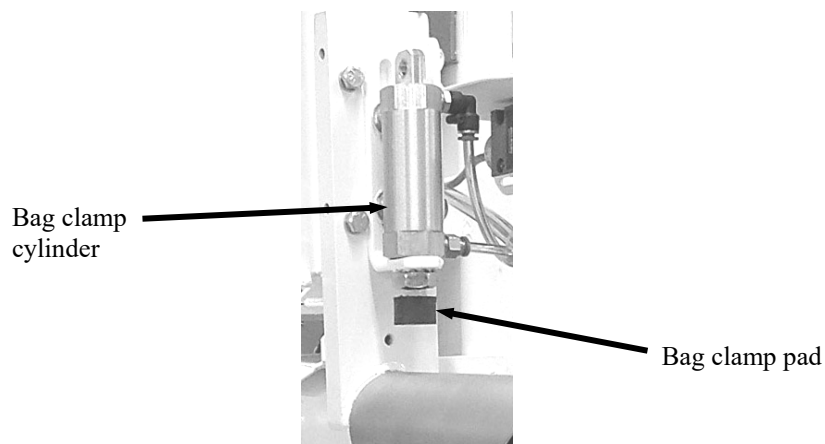


Figure 1-10. Bag Clamp Assembly

1.7.10 Bag Clamp Actuator Switch

Located just to the right of the bag clamp is the bag clamp actuator switch. The operator will trip this switch when placing the valve bag on the spout. Once this switch has been tripped, the bag clamp will be applied and the fill cycle will begin.

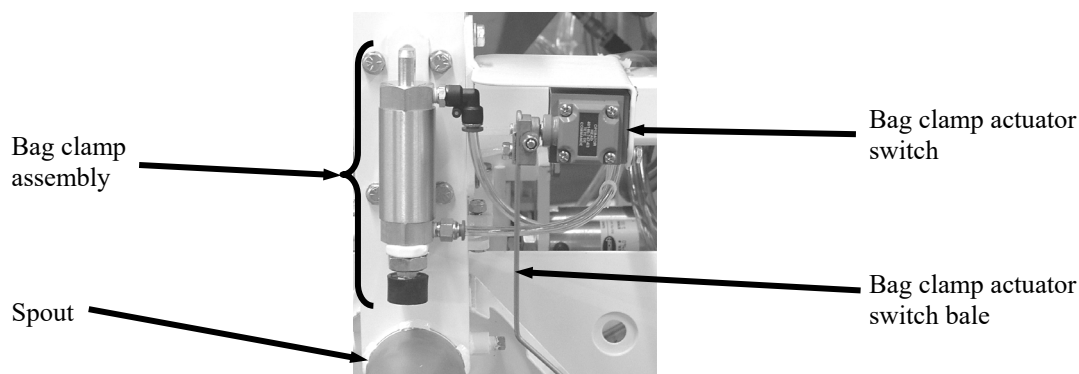


Figure 1-11. Bag Clamp Actuator Switch

1.7.11 Adjustable Fill Tube Pinch Cylinder

The Model A controls the bulk feed rate with air pressure. Once SP1 (dribble weight) has been reached, the Model A switches to the dribble rate by actuating an adjustable fill tube pinch cylinder. The adjustable fill tube pinch cylinder consists of one pneumatic cylinder that is mounted vertically above the fill tube. When the cylinder is actuated, it causes two arms to pinch the fill tube so that the feed rate is reduced. The amount of product flow during the dribble period can be adjusted using the adjustment knob on top of the pinch cylinder assembly. Turning the knob clockwise will reduce the flow of product. Turning the knob counter-clockwise will increase the flow of product.

Once SP2 (cutoff weight) has been reached, the Model A will actuate the adjustable fill tube pinch cylinder all the way closed to stop the flow of product. At the same time, the Model A will exhaust air pressure from the blower so the hopper is no longer pressurized.

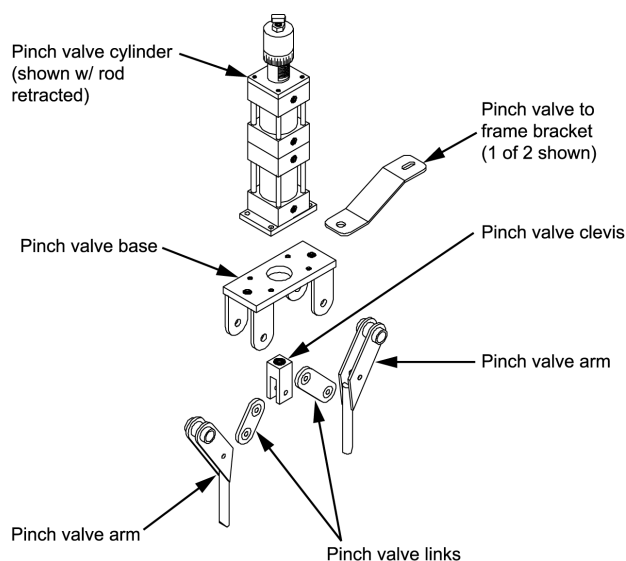


Figure 1-12. Adjustable Fill Tube Pinch Cylinder

1.7.12 Filter/Regulator/Lubricator (FRL) Assembly

The primary air pressure regulator used on the Model A is a combination unit. It is the Filter/Regulator/Lubricator (FRL) assembly. This unit filters the incoming compressed air, regulates its pressure, and adds a lubricant to the air that provides lubrication to the internal components of the pneumatic devices that are downstream.

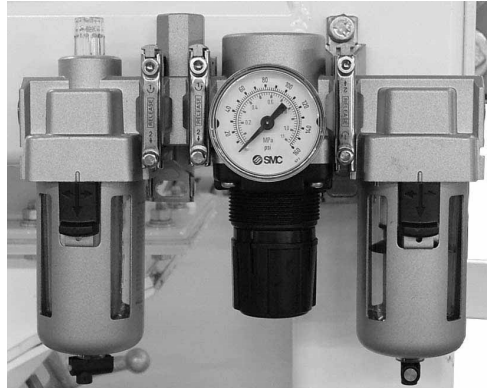


Figure 1-13. Filter/Regulator/Lubricator (FRL) Assembly

1.7.13 Lower Air Pad Pressure Regulator

The Model A uses a group of air pads inside the hopper to assist the product flowing out of the hopper and through the spout. The lower air pad pressure regulator, mounted above and to the left of the spout, is used to adjust the amount of air pressure that is supplied to the lower air pad that is mounted on the clean out door.

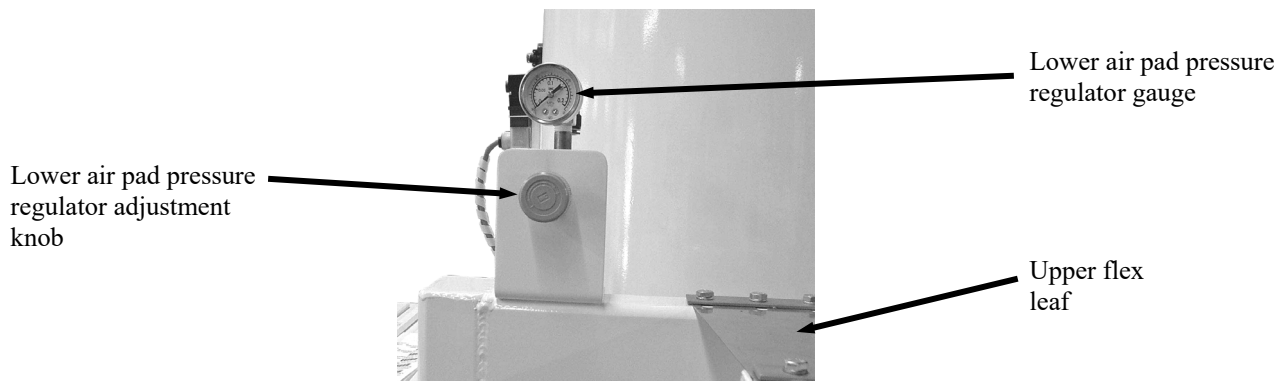


Figure 1-14. Lower Air Pad Pressure Regulator

1.7.14 Adjustable Fill Tube Pinch Cylinder Air Pressure Regulator

On the right side of the machine toward the rear of the machine, there is another pressure regulator. This regulator is used to control the amount of air pressure that is directed to the adjustable fill tube pinch cylinder.

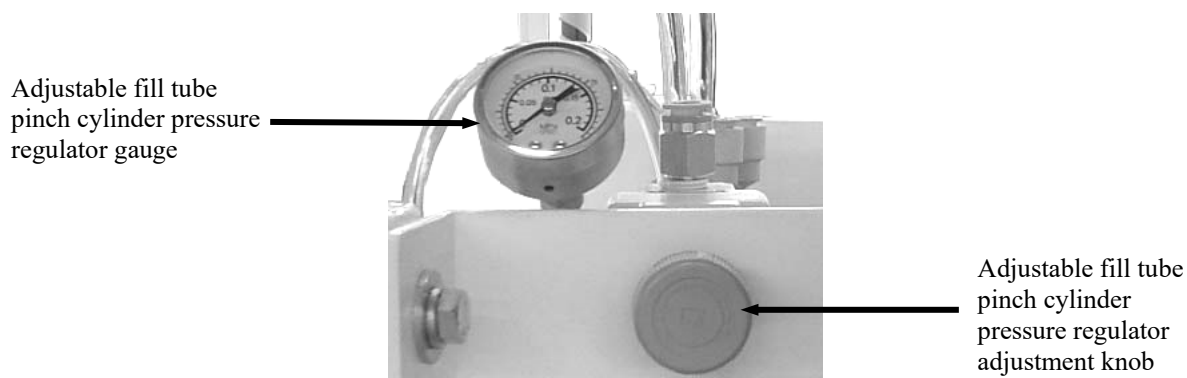


Figure 1-15. Adjustable Fill Tube Pinch Cylinder Air Pressure Regulator

1.7.15 Gate Valves

The Model A is equipped with two 2-inch gate valves. One valve is installed in the pipe that runs to the hopper. This valve is used to govern the amount of blower air pressure to the hopper or the 4 lower air pads during the fill cycle. The second valve is mounted in the blow by manifold and is used to bleed off air from the blower that feeds the hopper.

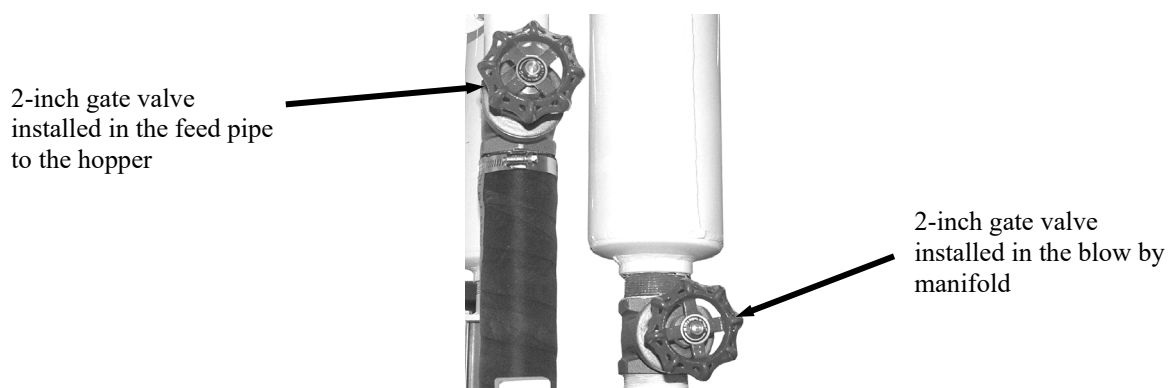


Figure 1-16. 2-Inch Gate Valves

1.7.16 Pinch Valves

The Model A uses pinch valves to control airflow from the blower to regulate the fill process. When air pressure is supplied to the valve, it causes the rubber sleeve to collapse, effectively closing the valve. When air pressure to the valve is reduced or eliminated, the air pressure from the blower overcomes the valve and pushes it all the way open.

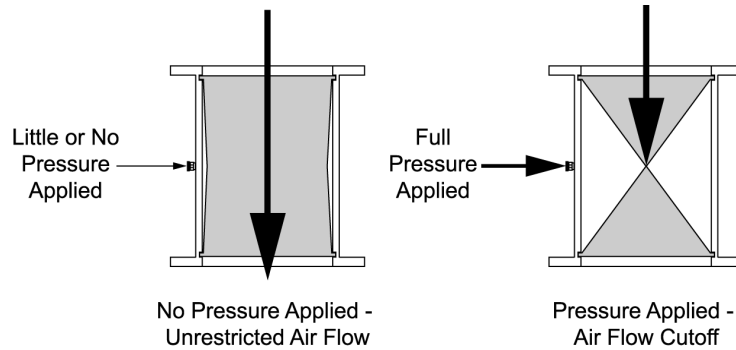


Figure 1-17. Pinch Valve Operation

The Model A is equipped with three pinch valves:

1. Discharge pinch valve
2. Exhaust pinch valve
3. Tank pinch valve

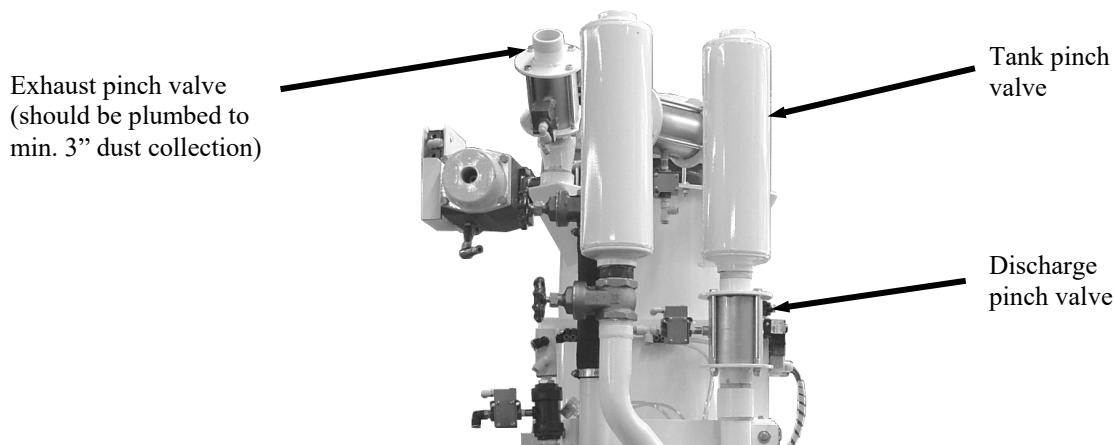


Figure 1-18. Pinch Valves

The three pinch valves work together to make the fill process work. When filling a package, the discharge and exhaust pinch valves are closed, while the tank pinch valve is open. At the conclusion of the fill cycle, the discharge pinch valve is open and the tank and exhaust pinch valves are closed. When the hopper is being recharged, the discharge and exhaust pinch valves are open and the tank pinch valve is closed.

Each pinch valve is controlled using an electric solenoid actuated pneumatic valve.

1.7.17 Fluidizer Air Pad Pinch Valve

The fluidizer air pad pinch valve is installed in a port that branches off of the tank feed tube. This valve is used to control the flow of blower air to the four fluidizer air pads that are installed in the sides of the hopper. Compressed air from the plant air source is used to open and close the fluidizer air pad pinch valve.

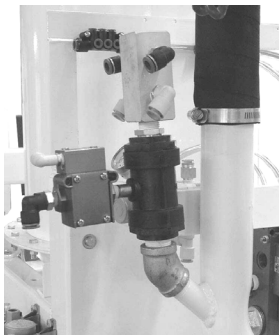


Figure 1-19. Fluidizer Air Pad Pinch Valve

1.7.18 Mufflers

The Model A is equipped with two mufflers that are used to reduce the noise that is emitted from the ductwork on the rear of the machine when the pressurized air from the blower is vented to the atmosphere.

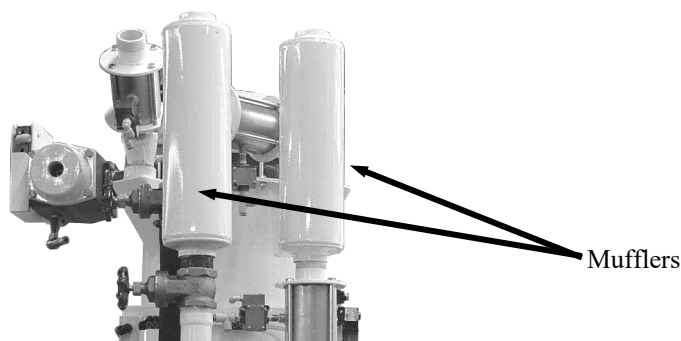


Figure 1-20. Mufflers

1.7.19 Air Pads

The Model A uses a series of five air pads to assist the product to flow from the hopper to the gum rubber fill tube and on to the spout. The four air pads in the bottom of the hopper, called fluidizer pads, are evenly spaced around the perimeter. The fifth pad, called the lower air pad, is mounted on the clean out door of the transition between the hopper and the gum rubber fill tube.

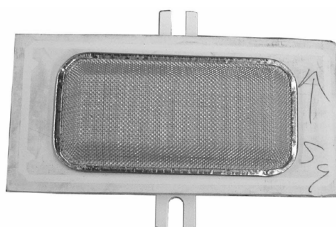


Figure 1-21. Lower Air Pad Mounted on Cleanout Door, Internal View

1.7.20 Optional Kicker

A kicker is used to remove the full packages from the spout. The kicker is controlled using a pneumatic cylinder. The height of the kicker is adjustable to accommodate packages of different lengths.

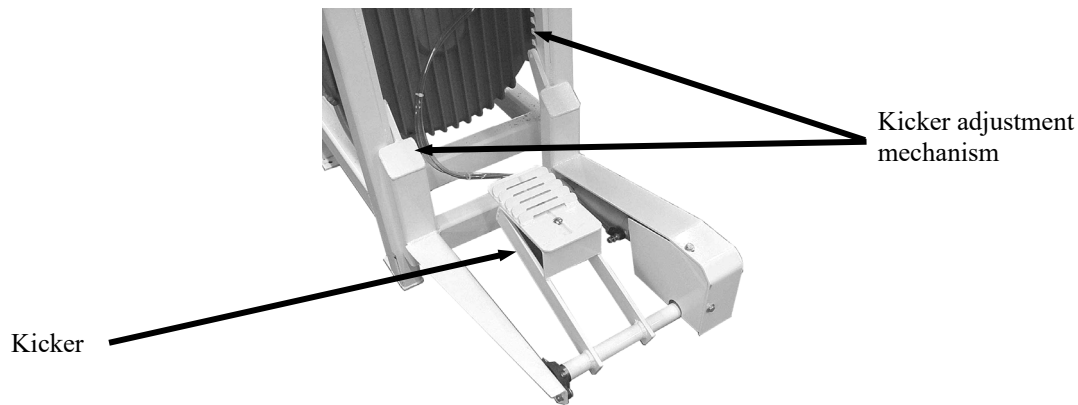


Figure 1-22. Kicker (Optional)

1.7.21 Delay Timers

In order for the Model A to package correctly, the butterfly valve must cycle in sequence with the pinch valves. This requires a means of timing the pinch valves to the butterfly valve. The Model A accomplishes this by using time delay solenoids on some of the pinch valves. The timers are mounted on the left side of the Model A, when viewing the Model A from the front. They are mounted on a cross member that is just behind the hopper.

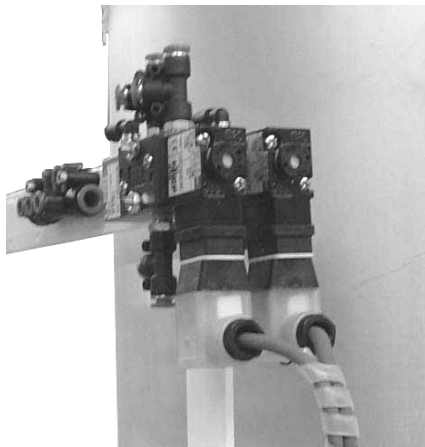


Figure 1-23. Timers

1.7.22 Control Box

The Model A can be equipped with two types of control systems. The standard control system is a Magnum Systems/Hardy Instruments T4000 control panel. An optional control system utilizes a Magnum Systems/Hardy Instruments T3000 control panel. Both systems utilize a control box that will be mounted on the Model A. The control boxes contain the control components that allow the Model A to function.

1.7.22.1 Standard T4000 Control Box

The controls that the operator will use to start, stop, and adjust machine functions are located on the front side of the control box. The base control package for the Model A uses T4000 controls. The operator controls consist of the following items:

- T4000 control panel
- POWER ON indicator
- POWER switch

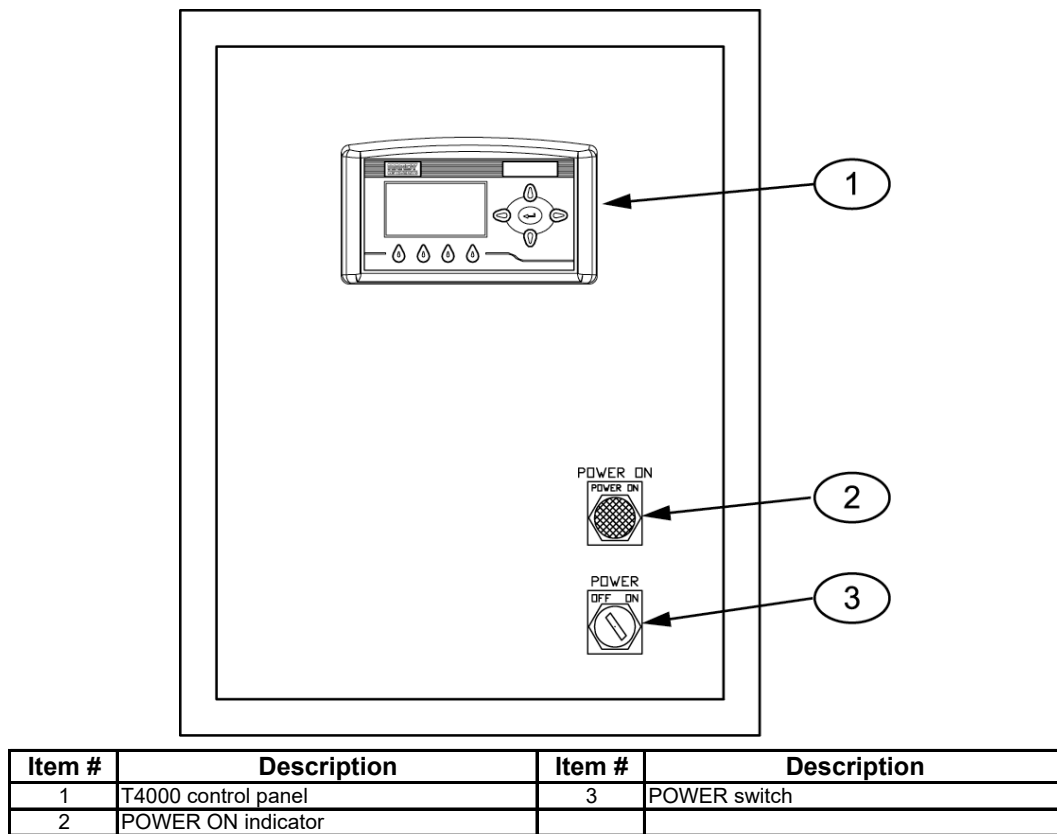


Figure 1-24. Control Panel With T4000 Controls

The POWER switch is located on the right side of the control box and has two positions, OFF and ON. As its name indicates, this switch is used to turn the machine on and off. Located directly above the POWER switch is the POWER ON indicator. When the POWER switch is turned to the ON position, if the machine is connected to its power source, this indicator will illuminate green.

General Description

The machine will also be equipped with a STOP button/indicator, but it will not be installed in the main control box. The STOP button/indicator will be mounted in its own enclosure and mounted on the front of the machine. The exact location may vary. The button itself is made of a translucent red plastic. When the button is pressed, the machine will immediately stop functioning, and the button will be illuminated to indicate that it has been pressed.

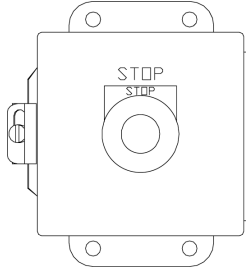
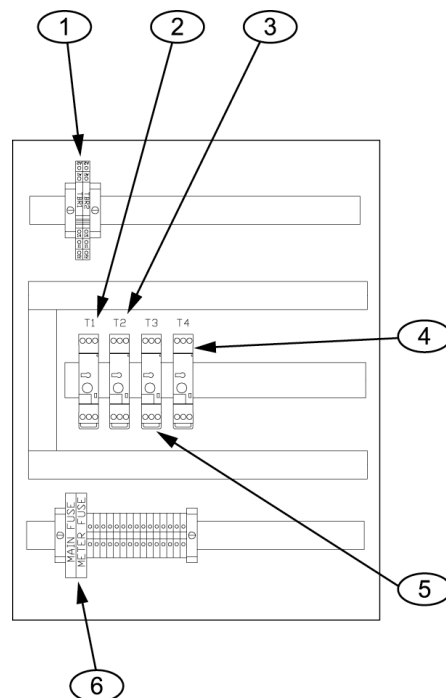


Figure 1-25. STOP button/indicator

1.7.22.2 Standard Electronic Control Components

Inside the control box are the components that actually perform the control functions for the machine. These components include the following components:

- Main pc board
- Relay boards
- Fuse holders, fuses, and terminals



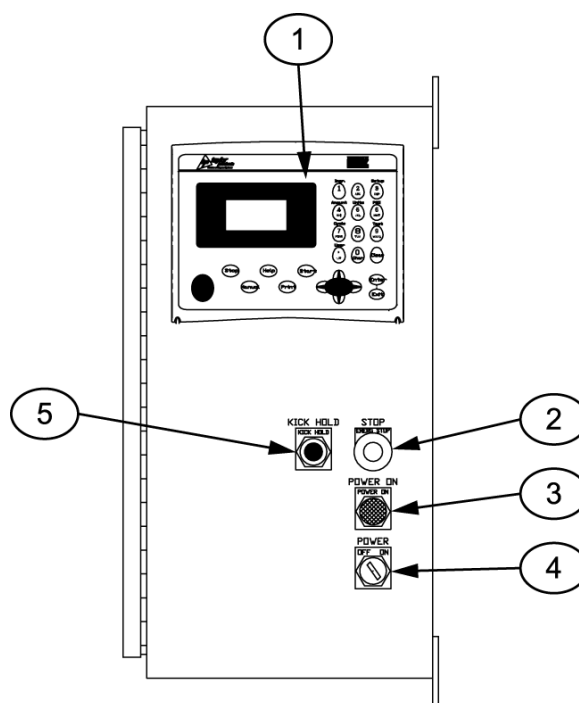
Item #	Description	Item #	Description
1	Terminal relay DC coil	4	Spout purge timer (T4)
2	Start timer (T1)	5	Spout printer timer (T3)
3	Exhaust timer (T2)	6	Main and meter fuses

Figure 1-26. T4000 Control Box – Internal Components

1.7.22.3 Optional T3000 Operator Control Box

The controls that the operator will use to start, stop, and adjust machine functions are located on the front side of the control box. The operator controls consist of the following items:

- T3000 control panel
- POWER ON indicator
- POWER switch
- STOP button/indicator
- KICK HOLD button



Item #	Description	Item #	Description
1	T3000 Control Panel	4	Power switch
2	STOP button/indicator	5	KICK HOLD button
3	POWER ON indicator		

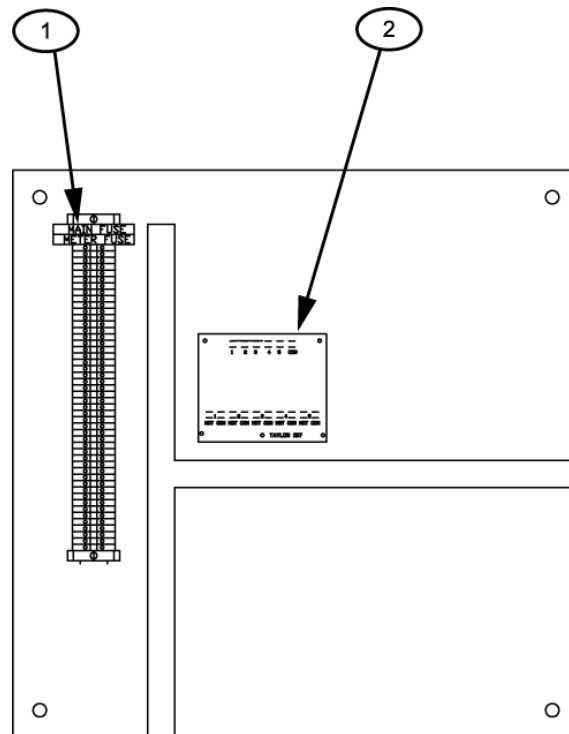
Figure 1-27. Optional T3000 Control Panel

The POWER switch is located on the lower right corner of the control box and has two positions, OFF and ON. As its name indicates, this switch is used to turn the machine on and off. Located directly above the POWER switch is the POWER ON indicator. When the POWER switch is turned to the ON position, if the machine is connected to its power source, this indicator will illuminate green. Located directly above the POWER ON indicator is the STOP button/indicator. The STOP button/indicator will immediately stop the machine when it is pushed in. When pushed, this button will illuminate red to indicate that the button is pushed and that machine function has been interrupted. The T3000 is centered on the face at the top of the box. The KICK HOLD button, when pressed, interrupts the kicker from ejecting the bag from the spout. This would be done to allow the operator to verify the weight of the bag. The T3000 is the operator interface to the Model A. This control panel is used to make operational adjustments to the machine.

1.7.22.4 Optional T3000 Electronic Control Components

Inside the control box are the components that actually perform the control functions for the machine. These components include the following components:

- T3000 interface card
- Fuse holders, fuses, and terminals



Item #	Description	Item #	Description
1	Fuse holders, fuses, and terminals	2	T3000 interface card

Figure 1-28. Electronic Control Components – Inside the Optional T3000 Control Box

Chapter 2

Receiving Equipment

2.1 General Description

The Model A and all of its components are thoroughly inspected before shipment. Upon receipt of the equipment, it is important that the machine be carefully inspected for shipping damage. In the event that damage is found, contact the shipping company and follow their process for reporting shipping damage.

2.2 Uncrating the Equipment

Follow the procedure below to unpack the equipment and prepare it for installation.

1. The Model A is a floor mount unit. Clear an area 10' x 10'. Make sure floor is level. It is recommended that you locate the Model A directly under the supply hopper. Complete any nearby construction before installing the Model A.
2. Before removing Model A from the shipping pallet, inspect the Model A for visible damage. Inspect for damaged or missing parts. If there is damage, notify the shipper immediately. If the unit is not damaged, proceed to the next step.
3. Remove the shell crate. Use care when unpacking the Model A to avoid damage to any hinged parts and external control knobs.



Figure 2-1. Typical Shell Crate

4. Carefully cut the plastic shrink-wrap that is wrapped around the Model A away and remove it.
5. Remove lag bolts from mainframe at pallet.
6. If the unit must be moved, lift using the base frame.
7. Remove all crating and discard.
8. Place the Model A in the location where it is to be installed and verify that the Model A is level.
9. Loosen the nuts on the shipping bolts until they bottom out against the mount.

Receiving Equipment

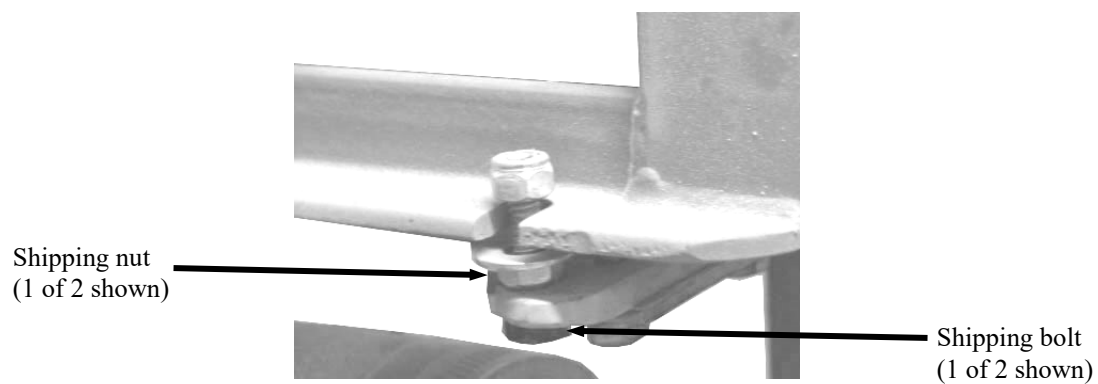


Figure 2-2. Shipping Bolt (1 of 2 shown)

10. If the optional air filter was ordered, open the cardboard box and remove the air filter.

Chapter 3

Setup/Installation

3.1 General Description

Only persons who have been properly trained and hold the appropriate qualifications should attempt to install, operate, or maintain this equipment.

**WARNING**

Before installing, adjusting, or servicing any electrical component, be sure to become familiar with the electrical schematic for the machine.

**WARNING**

Before installing, adjusting, or servicing any pneumatic component, be sure to become familiar with the pneumatic schematic for the machine.

3.2 Installing Components

If the Model A was ordered with the optional intake air filter, it must be installed prior to placing the Model A into service. Refer to 7.3.10 Intake Air Filter Replacement.

3.3 Making Electrical Connections

Before connecting the Model A to the electrical supply, it is vital that the unit be properly grounded. The recommended method is to plug the power cord into an earth grounded receptacle.

The Model A requires two different voltages for it to operate. The controls require 115 VAC at 50 or 60 Hz. The blower can be set up to operate on either 240 or 460 VAC at 50 or 60 Hz. The Model A should be placed within 6 feet of the electrical outlets that it will be connected to.

3.4 Making Pneumatic Connections

The Model A requires a compressed air supply line that is capable of delivering approximately 2-3 CFM (57-85 liters) @ 80-100 PSI (.55-.69 MPa) of compressed air. Magnum Systems recommends that the air supply line be equipped with a refrigerated air dryer, or at the very least a water separator. After making pneumatic connections, check all connectors for leaks using a soapy water mixture. Bubbles will appear at the site of any leaks. Eliminating or reducing air leaks will reduce wear on the air supply equipment.

3.4.1 Lubrication Requirements

The pneumatic cylinders require lubrication to ensure their proper operation and to extend their useful life. The lubricator should be filled with 10 weight, non-detergent oil.

The oil flow control knob, located on top of the lubricator, should be set so that the lubricator is delivering 1 drop of oil for every 15 to 20 bags that are filled.

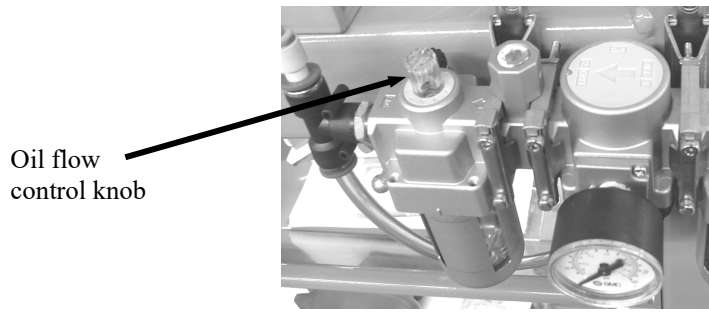


Figure 3-1. Lubricator – Oil Flow Control

Use caution when setting the flow control on top of the lubricator. While too little oil can cause operational problems, so can too much oil. If the oil control is set too high, it may result in the solenoid valves and cylinders getting gummed up and the air supply lines.

3.5 Making Network Connections (T3000 Only)

Model A units that are equipped with the T3000 control set have the ability for total monitoring and instrument control via the built in communication connectivity of the T3000. The T3000 has the following network capabilities:

- DeviceNet
- HardyLink Ethernet
- IR Port
- RS-232 Simplex Serial Port
- Remote I/O (RIO) (optional)
- ControlNet (optional)
- Profibus I/O (optional)
- Modbus over TCP/IP (optional)
- OLE Process Control (OPC) (optional)

3.6 Establishing Security Settings

On all Model A packaging machines, the manager has the ability to control who does and who does not have the ability to change system and calibration settings. The process for setting security varies, based on the type of controller used.

3.6.1 Establishing T4000 Security Settings

The Security parameters allow management to place security on the instrument and any menu or sub-menu requiring a password before enabling any changes. The Change Security parameter enables all persons to see the security status for a given menu, and selected persons to change that security status for any menu.

1. From the Configuration menu press the down arrow until the cursor is in front of Security.

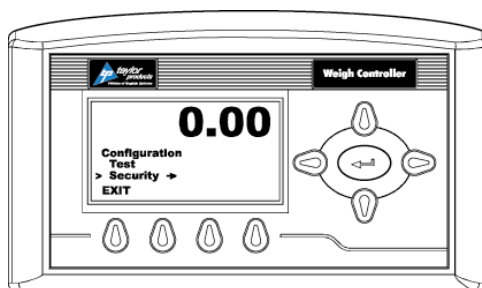


Figure 3-2. Placing The Cursor In Front Of Security

2. Press the enter button. The Security menu appears.
3. Set the Password Parameter. The Set Password parameter enables the operator to create a password for entry to secure menus and sub-menus. If the password is 0 there is no security. If the password is anything other than 0 the security is enabled.

***Note:** It is recommended that the passwords be created before setting security on the various menus.*

4. Press the down arrow button until the cursor is in front of Set Password.



Figure 3-3. Placing The Cursor In Front Of Set Password

5. If the password is being set for the first time or if the factory defaults have been reset in the Test menu, enter the default password “2205”. If the password is being reset, and the existing password is known, enter that number. Press the enter button. The Verify Password display appears. Refer to 4.3.1.1 Entering Numbers Using the T4000 Control Panel.

6. Press the enter button. If the password is correct a brief message “Entry Accepted” appears and the Set Password display with the current password appears.

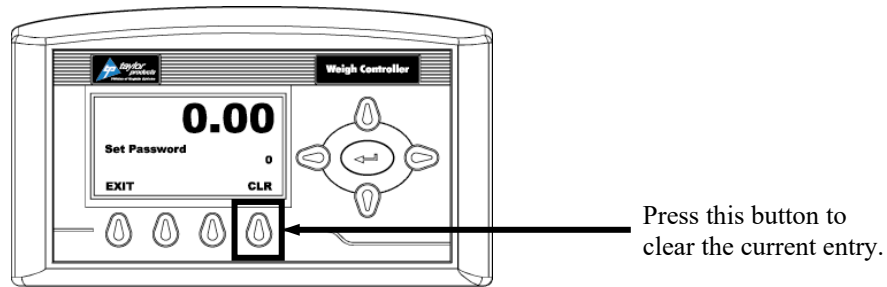


Figure 3-4. Set Password Menu

7. Press the function button located directly below the CLR item on the display to clear the entry. Use the left or right arrow buttons to move the cursor left and right. Use the up or down arrow buttons to enter the password number. To delete a single entry, press the left arrow button. In the example below, “123” was entered.

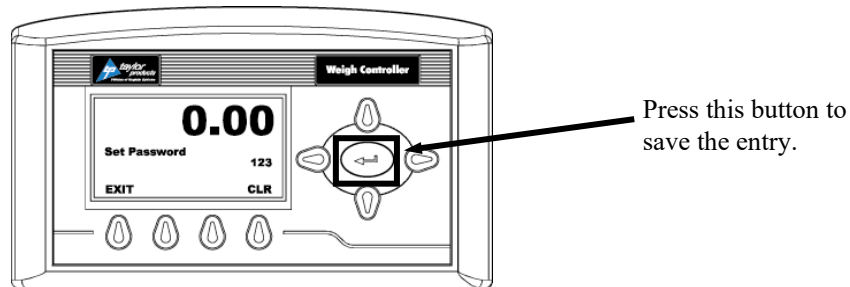


Figure 3-5. Password Set To 123

8. Press the right or left arrow buttons to toggle Change Security On. The Verify Password display appears.

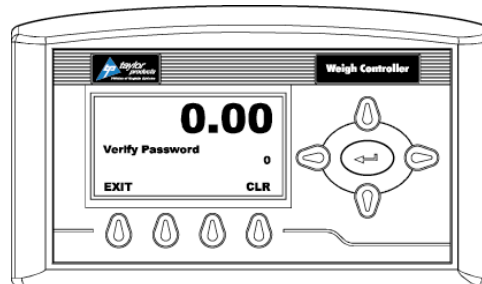


Figure 3-6. Verify Password

9. Use the left or right arrow buttons to move the cursor left and right. Use the up or down arrow buttons to enter the password number.

Important: When entering the password, the last digit is entered first, then the next digit to the left and so on. For example, if the password is set to 123, then 3 is entered first, then the 2, and the 1 is entered last.

10. Press the enter button. The Change Security status changes to On. In this instance we turned Change Security ON because we want to change the security of a sub-menu.

11. Now that the Change Security On feature has been turned on, press the function key below the word EXIT on the display to return to the Configuration menu.
12. Use the up or down arrow buttons to go to the desired sub-menu to is to be secured. In the example below, the Decimal Point sub-menu has been selected. Notice that the display now includes a SECUR menu item above the function keys.

Note: Steps 8-12 will need to be repeated to lock and unlock a parameter.

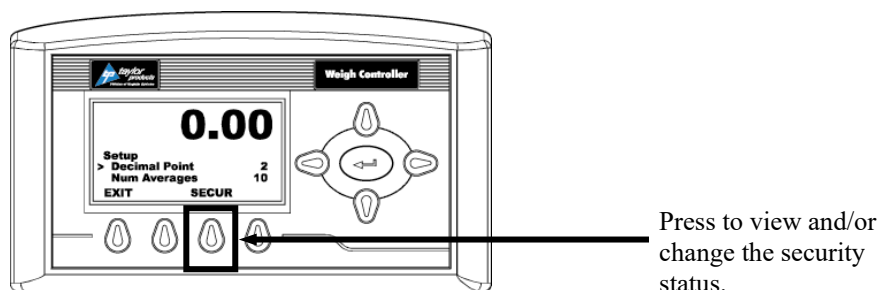


Figure 3-7. SECUR Menu Item Shown Above Function Key

13. Press the function key that is positioned below the SECUR item on the display, to view and/or change the security status of this parameter.
14. Press the right arrow button to changed to LOCKED thereby securing this sub-menu.

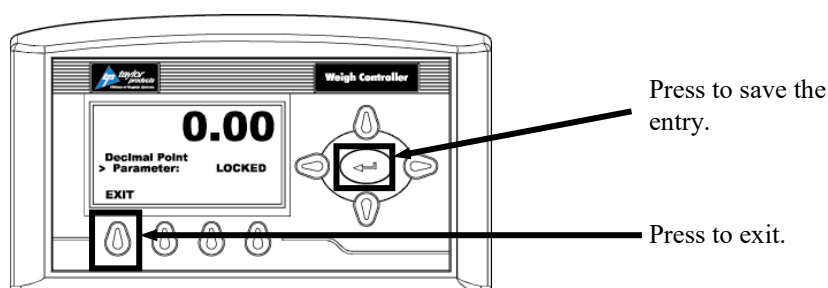


Figure 3-8. Parameter Shown Locked

15. Press the enter button to save the entry.
16. Press the function button below EXIT on the screen until the summary display is shown.

Note: To check to see if the security is set on a specific sub-menu, press the EXIT button until the summary display appears. Then re-enter the menus and try to change the secure parameters.

17. Until security has been changed, changing this parameter will require a password (other than 0) to be entered.
18. To turn the Change Security OFF, go back to the Security menu and repeat steps 1-6.

3.6.2 Establishing T3000 Security Settings

There are three levels of system security on the T3000:

- Low - No password required
- Medium – A password is required to access some, but not all of the top level menus
- High – A password is required to access all top-level menus.



CAUTION

DO NOT change the default passwords. If the default passwords are changed, and the new passwords are lost or forgotten, they cannot be recovered. A backdoor into the system does not exist. If this happens, the memory of the unit will have to be erased and a new program will have to be installed. All stored information, such as product definitions, will be lost.

Additionally, the manager also has the ability to assign different levels of security to individual menus. The menus where this applies are:

- Adjust Ingredient
- Setup
- Calibration
- Options
- I/O Mapping

If a menu has a security setting of Medium or High, the users' access will be read-only, unless they enter the correct password.

The typical method for setting security settings on the T3000 is via the control panel. Follow the steps below to set security.

1. Press the User shortcut key. Enter the User ID and high-level password.
2. From the Standby display, press the Setup button. The Configuration Menu will appear.
3. Use the up/down arrows to position the cursor in front of SECURITY. Press the Enter button.
4. The SECURITY MENU will appear. The cursor will be in front of SET SECURITY MENU selection. Press the Enter button.
5. The SET SECURITY MENU will appear. The Top-Level Menus will be listed with the security level set at the default LOW setting.
6. Press the up/down arrow buttons to position the cursor in front of the desired menu selection.
7. Press the left/right arrow buttons to change the security setting for that menu item.
8. Once the desired security level is displayed, press the Enter button to set the entry.
9. If other menus require an adjustment to its security setting, repeat steps 5 through 7.
10. When all security setting adjustments have been completed, press the Exit button to return to the Standby display.

3.7 Dry Cycle

Once all electrical/pneumatic connections have been made, the operator should dry cycle the machine to test the control components. If all components operate properly, the machine is ready to calibrate.

Important: During the dry cycle process, the blower **WILL NOT** be turned on.

Note: The cylinders may be cycled manually by pressing the test buttons on the solenoid valves.

1. Turn the power switch on the control panel of the Model A to the ON position.
2. Make sure that the air pressure on the FRL is set to specification.
3. Press the START switch on the control panel. This should result in the following actions:
 - The bag clamp will extend and the bag clamp pad should come in contact with the spout.
 - The kicker (if equipped) will retract to the down position.
 - The butterfly valve actuator will close the butterfly valve.
 - The pinch cylinders will retract to open the fill tube.
4. Press the STOP button to simulate the package reaching target weight. This should result in the following actions:
 - The bag clamp will retract.
 - The kicker (if equipped) will extend.
 - The butterfly valve actuator will open the butterfly valve.
 - The pinch cylinders will extend to close the fill tube.

3.8 Calibration

Each Model A Air Packer is calibrated prior to leaving the factory. However, the unit should be reassessed before first use of the unit. It is recommended that the calibration of the unit should be checked every week. A certified test weight must be used to check the calibration of the Model A.

3.8.1 T4000 Control Set

The calibration procedure for a T4000 control set is a two-tier process.

3.8.1.1 Pre-Calibration Procedures

3.8.1.1.1 Mechanical Check Procedures

1. Check to determine if the load cells have been installed properly.
 - a. Refer to the operation and maintenance manual for the machine being worked on for proper installation instructions.
 - b. On some load cells there is an arrow that indicates the direction of the applied load. If the arrow is pointing in the wrong direction, change the position of the load cell so that it is mounted in the direction of the applied load.
2. Check for Binding on the load cell or other parts of the system.



CAUTION

Binding on a scale/vessel or load cell does not allow the load cell free vertical movement and may prevent the instrument from returning to the original zero reference point.

- a. The load cell must be mounted so that 100% of the load (vessel + contents) is applied vertically to the load cell.

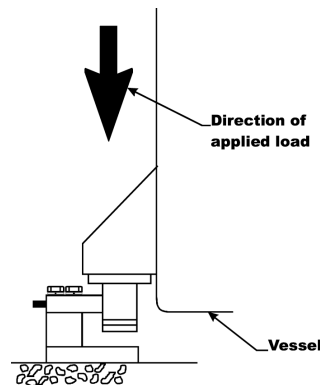


Figure 3-9. Load Passing Through Load Cell

- b. Do a visual check to see that nothing is binding the load cell or other parts of the weighing system. Make sure that nothing is draped over the scale/vessel or the load cell, such as a hose, electrical cord, tubes, or other objects.
 3. Check to see that nothing comes in contact with the scale/vessel other than service wires and piping that have been properly mounted with flexible connectors.
 4. Check to see that there is power to the T4000.
 - a. If there is power to the controller the front panel display should be illuminated.
 - b. If the display appears and a weight value is being displayed, the unit is ready for calibration.
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5. Allow the instrument to warm up for about 15 minutes before doing the calibration procedures.
6. Put a load (weight) on the scale or vessel. For a full load test, the operator can put 80 – 100% of the expected weight for their process on the scale or vessel.
7. Check to see if the weight reading changes on the display in the proper direction.
 - a. For example, if the display reads 100 lbs and a 20 lb load is placed on the vessel or scale, the display should read 120 or some value over 100.
 - b. If the display reads 80 lbs and a 20 lb load is placed on the vessel or scaled, the reading is going in the wrong direction and indicates some problem with the system.
 - c. If the display is reading improperly or shows no change there is something wrong with the configuration or the load cells.
8. If the display changes in the proper direction, remove the weight and proceed to calibrate the Weigh Controller.

Note: When calibrating the T4000 for the first time, go from one sub-menu to the next in sequence.

Note: The settings provide below are just an example. The actual settings used will vary based on the specific application.

3.8.1.2 Calibrating The T4000 Control Panel

1. Make sure the T4000 has been configured for the intended application. This includes setting the units, decimal point, scale capacity, averages, etc.
2. From the Summary display press the enter button. The Configuration menu appears.
3. Press the down arrow button until the cursor is in front of Calibration.
4. Press the enter button. The Calibration menu appears.
5. Traditional Calibration is the method of calibration that uses test weights. Magnum Systems recommends that the test weights total 80 – 100% of the desired package weight, and that the weight be distributed uniformly on/in the scale.
6. From the Summary display, press the enter button. The Configuration menu appears.
7. Press the down arrow button until the cursor is in front of the Calibration line.

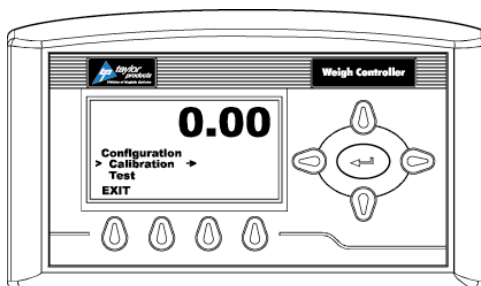


Figure 3-10. Placing the Cursor In Front Of Calibration

8. Press the enter button. The Calibration menu appears.

9. Press the down arrow button until the cursor is in front of “Trad Cal”.

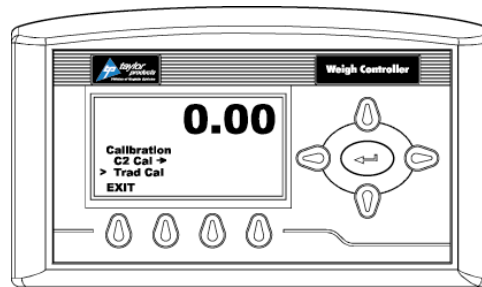


Figure 3-11. Placing The Cursor In Front Of Trad Cal

10. Press the enter button. The Trad Cal menu appears.

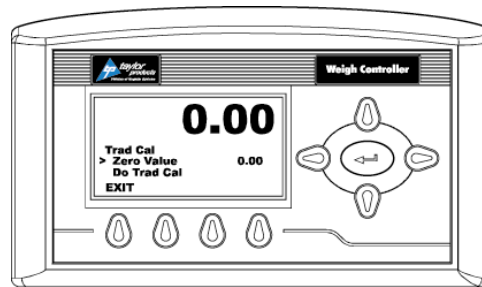


Figure 3-12. Placing The Cursor In Front Of Zero Value

11. Press the enter button. The Zero Value weight menu appears.
12. Traditional Calibration requires a zero point and the physical placement of test weights on the scale. To set the Zero Value Weight:
 - a. Remove all weight “live load” from the Scale. The Zero Value should be 0.0.



CAUTION The scale MUST be empty.

- b. Wait 12 seconds or more.
13. Use the left and right arrow buttons to position the cursor. Use the up or down arrow buttons to enter the Zero Value for this instrument.

***Note:** Most applications will set the Zero Value to 0.00.*

14. Press the enter button to save the entry.
15. Press the down arrow button until the cursor is in front of “Do Trad Cal ” (Zero)”.
16. Press the enter button to Do the Cal Trad Cal (Zero).
 - a. A “Cal Completed OK” message appears briefly if the calibration was successful.
 - b. An Error number appears if the calibration was not successful. An Error list is provided with the troubleshooting information later in this guide. Refer to this list in order to correct the error.
17. Press the down arrow button until the cursor is in front of Span Value.

18. Press the enter button. The Span Weight menu appears. The last Span Weight is displayed.

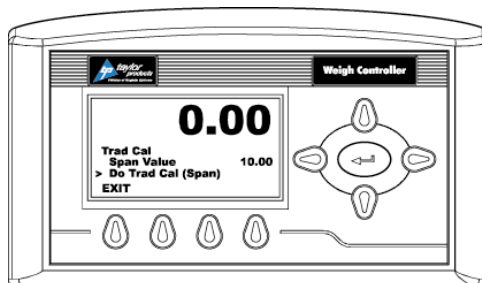


Figure 3-13. Span Value Displayed

19. To set the Span Weight:
 - a. Place a certified test weight on the scale.
 - b. Use the left and right arrows to position the cursor and the up or down arrows to enter the value of the test weight. If a 10 lb. weight is used, enter 10.00.
 - c. Press the enter button to save the entry.
20. Press the down arrow button until the cursor is in front of “Do Trad Cal (Span)”.
21. Press the enter button to Do the Trad Cal (Span).
 - a. A “Cal Completed OK” message appears briefly if the calibration was successful.
 - b. An Error number appears if the calibration was not successful. An Error list is provided with the Troubleshooting information later in this guide. Refer to this list in order to correct the error.
22. The scale is now calibrated.

3.8.2 Optional T3000 Control Set

The Calibration Menu is used to calibrate the weighing system of the T3000. Before beginning the calibration procedure, be sure that the machine is ready to be calibrated. Make sure that the load points have been installed properly. Follow the steps below to make sure the Model A is ready for calibration:

1. Make sure the load system is free of binding and that nothing is draped over the equipment, such as hoses, electrical cords, tubes, etc.
2. Verify that the load cell is mounted so that 100% of the load always passes vertically through the load cell at the same point.
3. Check all communication and power cables to be sure they are securely fastened to their connectors on the rear of the control panel.
4. Make sure that power is supplied to the controller. The panel display should illuminate.

Important: The operator *MUST* log in with the proper security level to initiate calibration. Once logged in, an access timer will run. If the timer expires (typically about 5 minutes), the operator will be logged out. The operator will have to log in again to regain access.

When the operator selects CALIBRATION from the Configuration Menu, the CALIBRATION screen appears. The cursor is placed in front of the Cal Type line. The currently selected method of calibration will appear at the far right on the Cal Type line. Use the left/right arrow keys to toggle to until TRAD is displayed on the line. Press the Enter key to access the screen for the TRAD calibration method.

3.8.2.1 TRAD Calibration

This screen will provide the following lines for the operator.

- Zero Value – This value should be set to zero.
- Zero Ct – This parameter is controlled by the controller.
- Do Trad. Cal (Zero) – Start the calibration procedure.
- Span Value – The amount of weight being used for calibration.
- Span Ct – This parameter is controlled by the controller.
- Do Trad. Cal (Span) – Start the calibration procedure.

Use this procedure to calibrate a machine with traditional load cells.

1. Turn on the meter.
2. Press the User shortcut key. Enter the User ID and medium or high-level password.
3. Press the Setup key to access the CONFIGURATION MENU.
4. Use the up/down arrow buttons to scroll to the CALIBRATION line. Press the Enter key to access CALIBRATION.

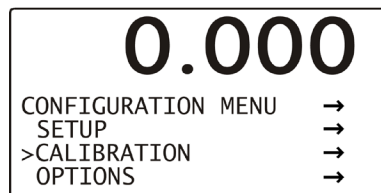


Figure 3-14. Calibration Line

5. Use the left/right arrow keys to toggle to the TRAD selection if it is not already displayed. Press the Enter key.

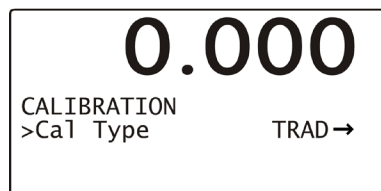


Figure 3-15. Selecting TRAD Calibration

6. A Function OK message will flash briefly in place of the Cal Type line, then the TRADITIONAL CAL screen will appear. Check the display to make sure that the Zero Value reads 0.0.

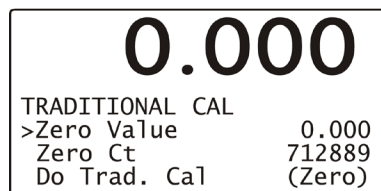


Figure 3-16. Checking Zero Value

7. Use the up/down arrow keys to scroll to the Do Trad. Cal (Zero). Press the Enter key. The weight display will display !Calibration in Progress! and will return to its calibration screen.
8. Use the up/down arrow keys to scroll to the Span Value selection and use the alphanumeric keypad to enter the weight that will be used for calibration. Press the Enter key.

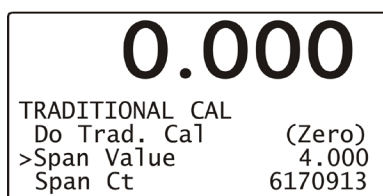


Figure 3-17. Setting Span Value

9. Use the up/down arrow keys to scroll down to the Do Trad. Cal (Span). Place the calibration weight on the scale by hanging it on the fill spout directly under the bag clamp cylinder. Press the Enter key. The weight display will display !Calibration in Progress! and will then return to its calibration screen. Press the Exit key three times to return to the main screen.

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Chapter 4 Operation

4.1 General Description

This chapter will provide detailed descriptions of the operational controls of the Model A.

4.2 Operational Overview

There are several factors that contribute to the operation of the Model A. Understanding those factors are critical to understanding overall machine function.

4.2.1 Product Feed Rates

The Model A can be configured to use one or two fill speeds. A machine with one fill rate is referred to as a single set point (SSP) machine. A machine with two fill rates is known as a dual set point (DSP) machine. SSP machines will only use bulk rate to fill the package. DSP machines will use a bulk rate and a dribble rate. The bulk rate is a fast rate, while dribble rate is a slow rate. The bulk rate on a SSP machine will also be slower than the bulk rate on a DSP machine. The operator can control the bulk rate by adjusting the amount of air pressure in the hopper.

On DSP machines, bulk rate is used to quickly fill the package until it is about 90% full. Once the package weight reaches set point 1 (SP1), the adjustable fill tube pinch cylinders will partially actuated, which partially closes the fill tube, which slows the fill rate to the dribble rate. Dribble rate is controlled using the adjustment knob located at the top of the adjustable fill tube pinch cylinder assembly. The dribble rate will be used to fill the package the rest of the way. Once the package reaches set point 2 (SP2), the adjustable fill tube pinch cylinder is fully actuated, completely closing the fill tube, which cuts off the product flow to the spout. Once the product that is in free fall settles into the package, the package weight should match the target weight.

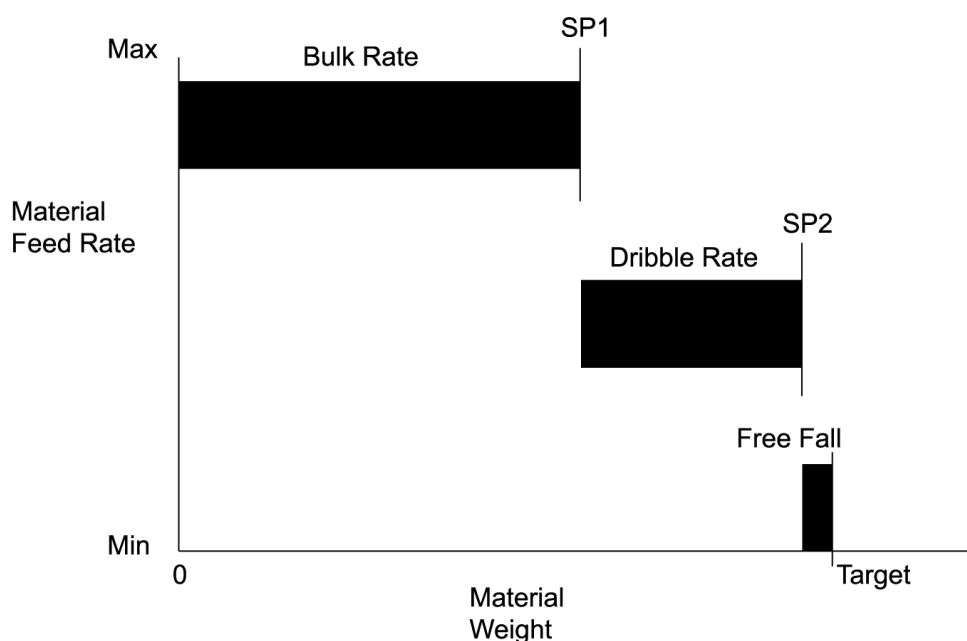


Figure 4-1. Bulk Rate vs. Dribble Rate

4.2.2 Typical Fill Cycle

The typical fill cycle for a Model A will vary a little, based on its configuration.

4.2.2.1 Single Set Point (SSP) Fill Cycle

1. Push the STOP button in.
2. Connect the main electrical and pneumatic connections.
3. Turn the power switch on the control panel to the ON position.

Important: Allow the Model A to warm up for 30 minutes before starting the first fill cycle.

4. Turn the blower motor on.
5. Pull the STOP button out.
6. Put an empty bag on the spout. The operator's hand should trip the bag clamp actuator switch to start the fill cycle.
7. Bag clamp will extend. The butterfly valve will close, the adjustable fill tube pinch cylinder will extend, opening the fill tube, and the bag kicker (if equipped) will retract.
8. The bag will fill with product at the bulk rate until the weight of the package reaches the cutoff weight (SP2), the adjustable fill tube pinch cylinder retract to stop the flow of product through the fill tube. When the product settles in the package, the weight of the package should match the target weight.
9. The bag clamp will retract. The poppet valve will close the hopper port and open the exhaust port. The butterfly valve will open to allow the hopper to refill. The kicker (if equipped) will eject filled bag. On units without kicker, the operator will remove the bag manually.

4.2.2.2 Dual Set Point (DSP) Fill Cycle

1. Push the STOP button in.
2. Connect the main electrical and pneumatic connections.
3. Turn the power switch on the control panel to the ON position.

Important: Allow the Model A to warm up for 30 minutes before starting the first fill cycle.

4. Turn the blower motor on.
5. Pull the STOP button out.
6. Put an empty bag on the spout. The operator's hand should trip the bag clamp actuator switch to start the fill cycle.
7. Bag clamp will extend. The butterfly valve will close, the adjustable fill tube pinch cylinder will extend to open the fill tube, and the bag kicker (if equipped) will retract.
8. The bag will fill with product at the bulk rate until the weight of the package reaches the dribble weight (SP1), then the adjustable fill tube pinch cylinder will partially retract to restrict the flow of product through the fill tube to the dribble rate.
9. The package will continue to fill at the dribble rate until the weight of the package reaches the cutoff weight (SP2), the adjustable fill tube pinch cylinder will stop the flow of product through the fill tube. When the product settles in the package, the weight of the package should match the target weight.
10. The bag clamp will retract. The poppet valve will close the hopper port and open the exhaust port. The butterfly valve will open to allow the hopper to refill. The kicker (if equipped) will eject filled bag. On units without kicker, the operator will remove the bag manually.

4.2.3 Air Delivery Network

The air delivery network on the Model A is what allows the Model A to function. Airflow is controlled to pressurize the hopper for product delivery, or to vent to the atmosphere to allow the hopper to recharge. Airflow is controlled through the use of pinch valves. Pinch valves are opened and closed in a specific sequence. The delivery cycles are referred the “A” (fill) cycle and the “B” (recharge) cycle.

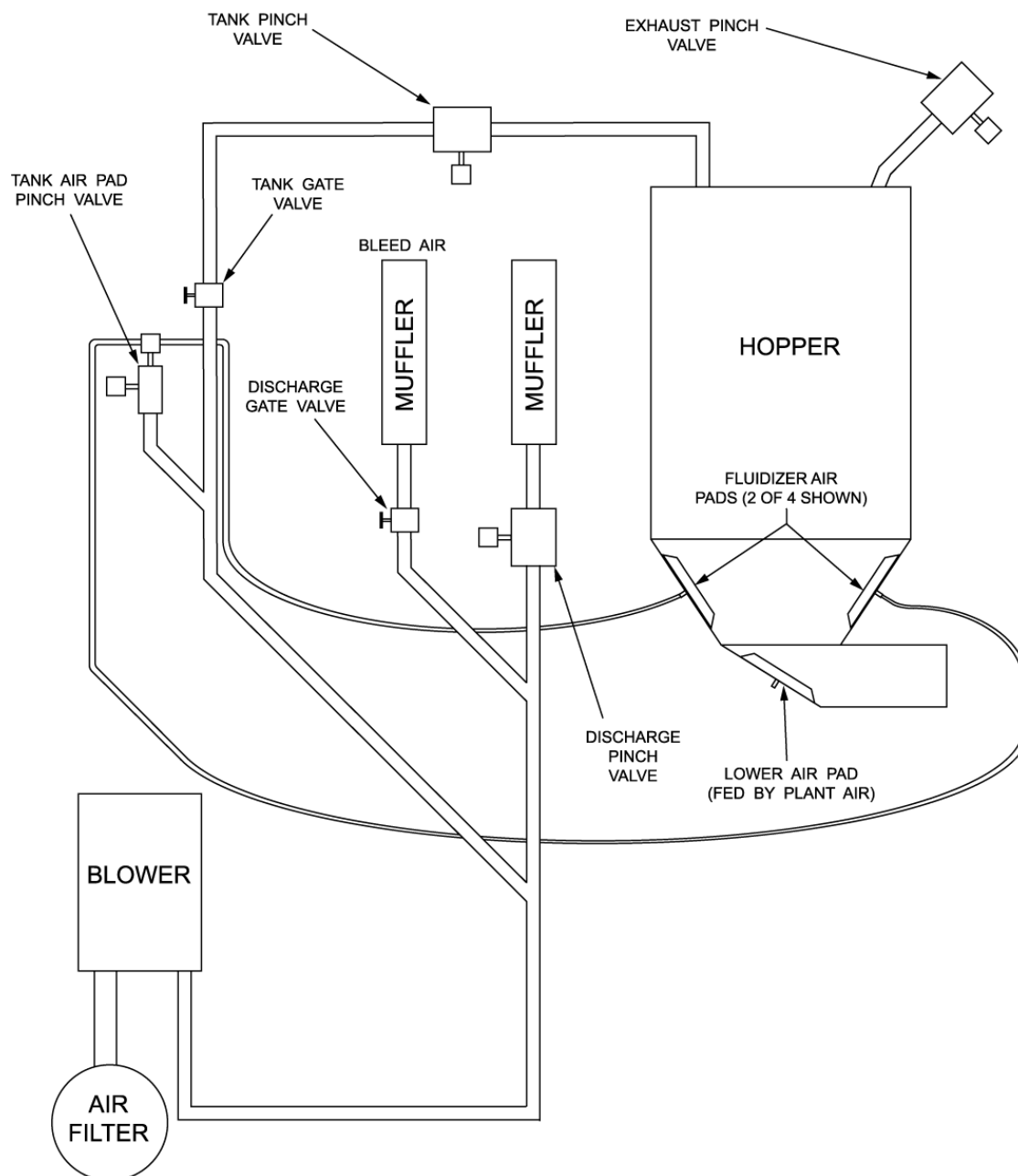


Figure 4-2. Air Delivery Network

Important: The graphic shown above is a flow diagram. It is not a physical arrangement, or layout, of the components used on the Model A. This graphic is intended to provide operators and maintenance personnel with an understanding of how air flows through the Model A.

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4.2.3.1 “A” (Fill) Cycle

During the “A” cycle the package is being filled. The tank pinch valve and the rich way pinch valve are open. This allows air to enter the top of the chamber and flow through the fluidizer pads.

The exhaust pinch valve is fully closed. The discharge pinch valve is partially to fully closed to control the amount of air sent to the product chamber.

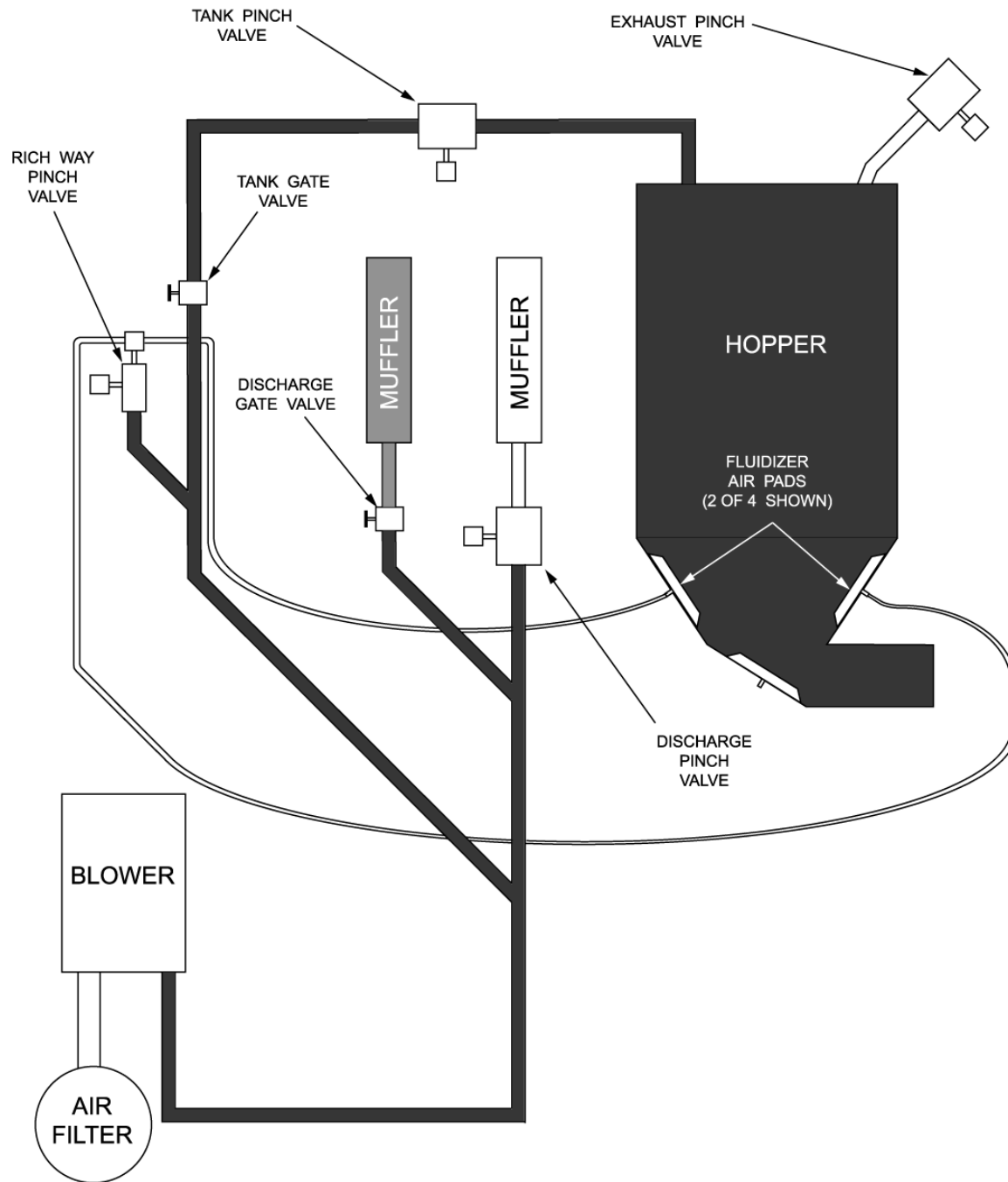


Figure 4-3. “A” (Fill) Cycle

4.2.3.2 “B” (Recharge) Cycle

During the "B" cycle the hopper is being recharged. The tank and tank air pad pinch valves are closed. The discharge pinch valve is open. The exhaust pinch valve cycles open for a moment to allow the trapped air pressure to vent from the product chamber, then closes again.

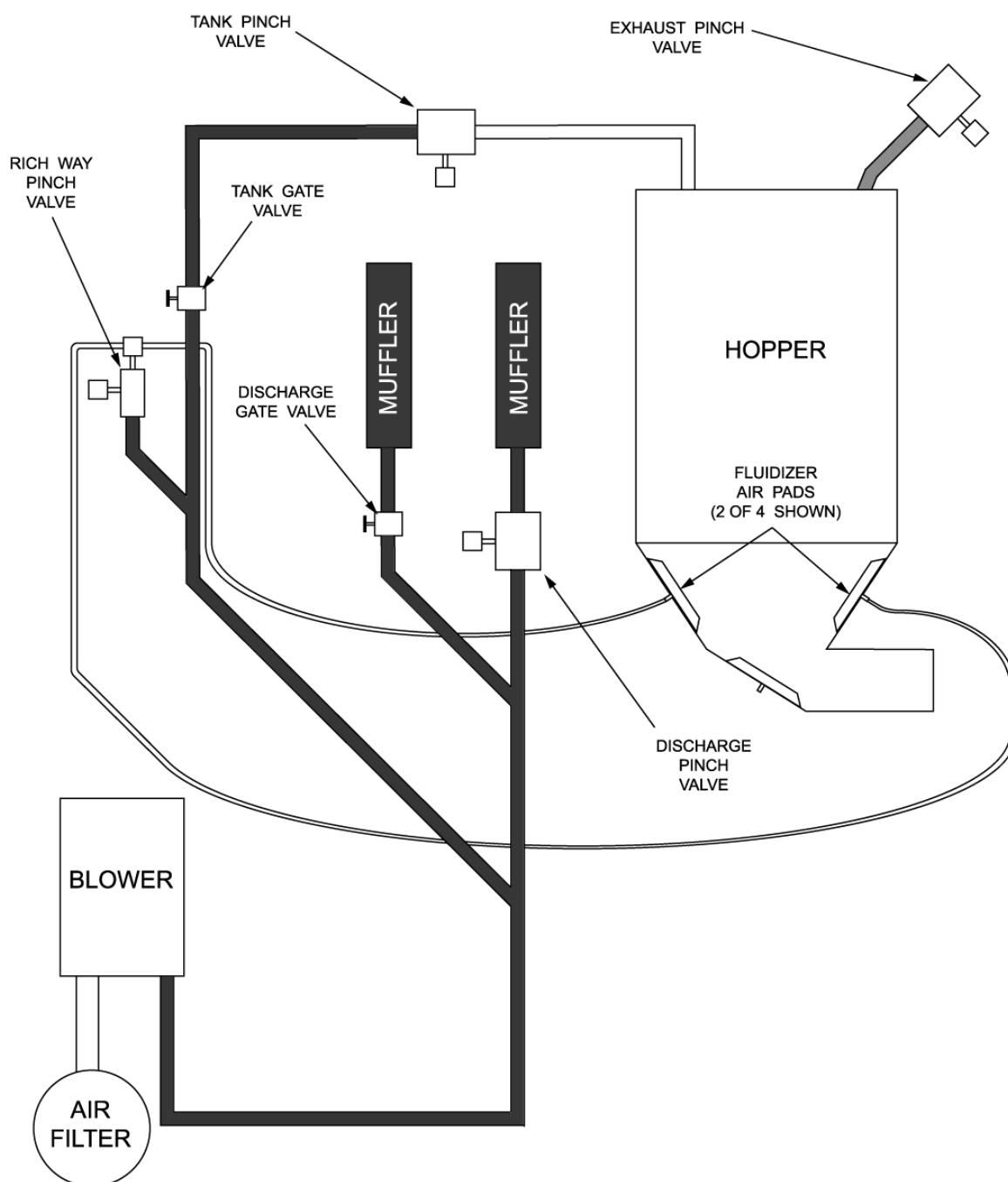


Figure 4-4. “B” (Recharge) Cycle

4.2.4 Controlling Air Pressure

Air pressure is a key factor to the function of the Model A. Generally speaking, air pressure is used to control component function and to control the movement of product into the package. There are two sources of air pressure that must be considered:

- Blower air pressure
- Plant air pressure

4.2.4.1 Blower Air Pressure

Pressurized air, provided by the blower, is used to feed the product from the hopper into the package. A system of pipes and valves are used to control the flow and pressure of the air coming from the blower. Pinch valves are used to turn the airflow through a given pipe on or off.

The Model A uses two 2" gate valves:

- Tank gate valve
- Discharge gate valve

The tank gate valve is used to set the amount of top air versus fluidizer pad air. The tank gate valve should be fully open when bagging granular products and it should be fully closed when packaging powder products.

***Note:** Some powders may need a little top air. In these cases, open the tank gate valve a little to facilitate the flow of the powder.*

The discharge gate valve is used to set the level of blower air that is released directly to the atmosphere. This adjustment controls the amount of top pressure that is pushing the product out of the hopper.

4.2.4.2 Plant Air Pressure

An air compressor that is located somewhere in the plant provides plant air pressure. This pressurized air supply is used to control specific devices, such as pinch valves, the adjustable fill tube pinch cylinder, the bag clamp, and the optional kicker. MAC valves are used to control the flow of the plant air pressure electronically.

4.2.5 Delay Timers

In order for the Model A to package correctly, the butterfly valve must cycle in sequence with the pinch valves. This requires a means of timing the pinch valves to the butterfly valve. The Model A accomplishes this by using time delay solenoids on some of the pinch valves.

The air signal (SP2A signal) from the SP2A solenoid initiates the start of the fill cycle. This signal initiates the closing of the butterfly valve. At the same time as the butterfly starts to close, the start delay solenoid initiates its timing cycle. This delays the pinch valves from changing and pressurizing the product chamber until the butterfly valve is completely closed.

When the start delay timer has run, the discharge pinch valve will close and the tank pinch valve and the rich way pinch valve will open. The exhaust pinch valve will already be closed. The exhaust delay solenoid sequences the exhaust pinch valve.

At the end of the fill cycle the SP2A signal will stop and the SP2B signal will be given from the SP2B solenoid. This opens the butterfly valve to recharge the product chamber with material. Before the butterfly valve can open, the SP2B signal causes the exhaust pinch valve to open and vent the trapped air pressure from the product chamber.

The exhaust delay timer starts with the SP2B signal and times long enough to allow the chamber to vent. When the exhaust delay is done timing the exhaust pinch valve closes again to prevent large amounts of product from escaping the product chamber.

To change the amount of the timer delays use the small screw on the bottom side of the timer control. The adjustment screw is located off-center in the corner of the valve. The screw in the center holds the timer to the solenoid valve. There is a small red light to signal the length of time on the bottom of the timer control.

4.2.6 Adjustable Fill Tube Pinch Cylinder

The Model A is equipped with an adjustable fill tube pinch cylinder. This valve is used to transition from the bulk feed rate to the dribble feed rate. It is also used to stop the flow of product through the fill tube when the cutoff weight (SP2) has been achieved. The adjustable fill tube pinch cylinder uses two pneumatic cylinders that are installed vertically, one on top of the other.

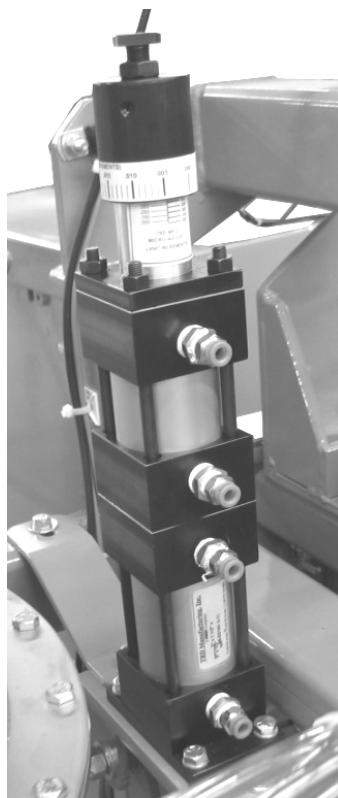


Figure 4-5. Adjustable Fill Tube Pinch Cylinder

Compressed air is supplied to the adjustable fill tube pinch cylinder via two MAC valves. To fill at the bulk rate, air is supplied to the cylinder to extend the cylinder rod and open the pinch valve arms.

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When SP1 has been reached, compressed air will be applied to cause the cylinder rod to retract. The rod will only retract as far as the dribble adjustment will allow. By partially retracting the cylinder rod, the pinch arms are pulled inward causing them to restrict the flow through the fill tube.

Once SP2 has been achieved, the cylinder rod will retract fully, will result in the pinch arms completely closing off the fill tube.

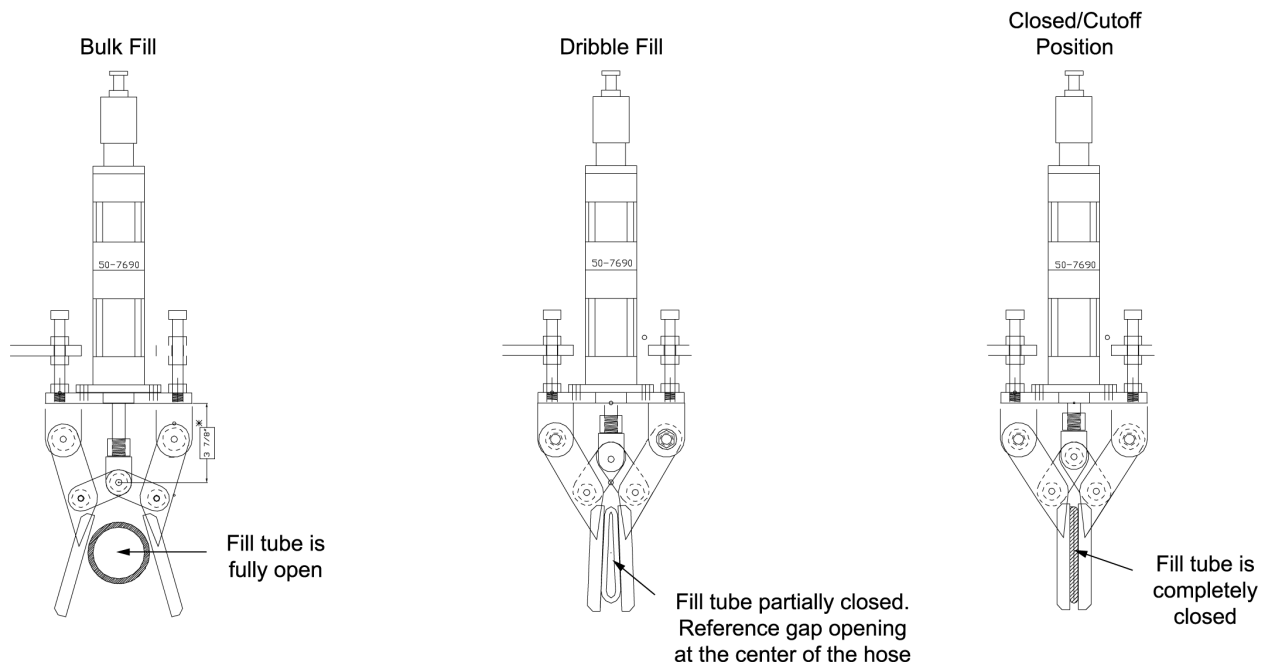


Figure 4-6. Adjustable Fill Tube Pinch Cylinder Operation

4.3 Operational Controls

The standard Model A is equipped with a Magnum Systems/Hardy Instruments T4000 control panel. Optionally, the Model A can be ordered with a Magnum Systems/Hardy Instruments T3000 control panel.

4.3.1 T4000 Controls

The Model A comes standard with a T4000 control panel. Magnum Systems and Hardy Instruments have jointly designed the T4000. This unit is typically configured as a dual set point machine. The T4000 is mounted in a control box that can be located on the either side of the machine. The T4000, control switches, and indicators are mounted in the front side of the control box.

The T4000 provides the operator with total monitoring and instrument control. The T4000 features the following functions:

- Weight display
- Function keys
- Enter key
- Arrow keys

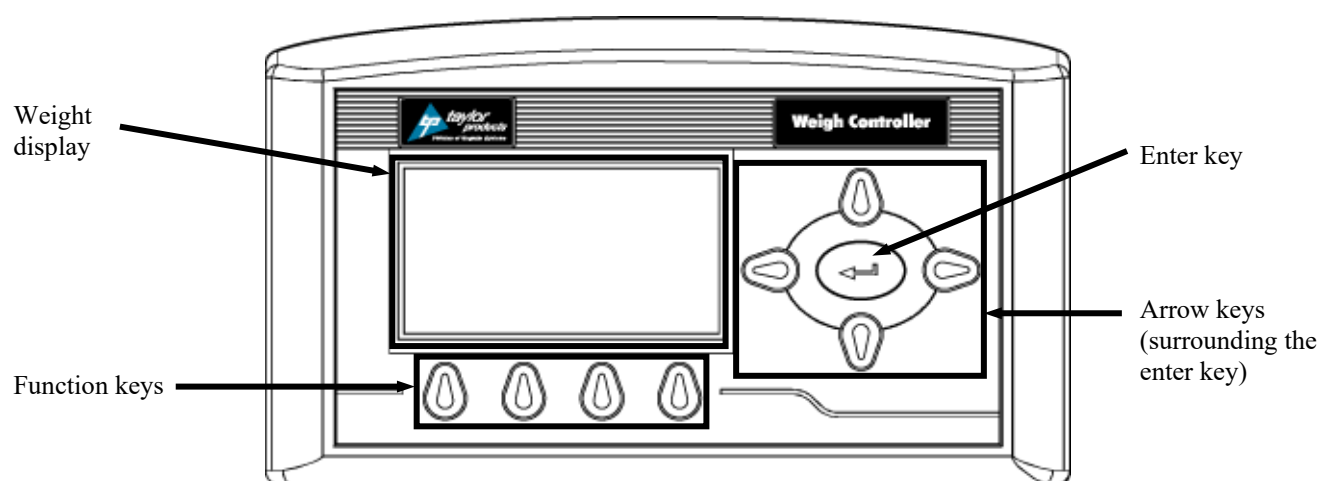


Figure 4-7. T4000 Control Panel

The machine will fill the package at the bulk rate until the Set Point 1 (SP1) weight is achieved. Typically, SP1 is set at approximately 90% of the target weight. Once SP1 is achieved, the adjustable fill tube pinch cylinder will retract partially. This pinches the gum rubber fill tube, partially obstructing the product flow. The package will continue to fill at the dribble rate until SP2 is reached. SP2 is set just below the target weight. Once SP2 achieved, the adjustable fill tube pinch cylinder will retract fully, which will completely stop the flow of product to the spout. There is still a small amount of product that is in free fall. This means that there is product that is still in the process of falling from the spout into the package, so its weight has not yet registered. Once the free fall product settles in the package, the total weight of the package should match the target weight.

4.3.1.1 Entering Numbers Using the T4000 Control Panel

Before using the control panel, it is important to understand the process for entering a number into a field. When accessing a numbered field, the cursor will be placed in the default position, which is under the digit to the far right. To position the cursor at the desired position, use the left/right arrow keys to move the cursor. Once the cursor is placed in the desired position, use the up arrow key to increase the number, or use the down arrow key to decrease the number. Each press of the key will result in a change increment of one digit. For example, if 0 is displayed, pressing the up arrow key once will change the number to 1. After the desired number has been entered, press the enter key to save the entry.

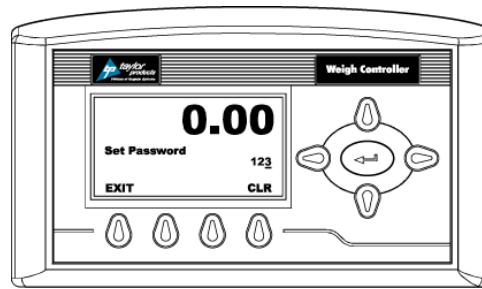


Figure 4-8. Cursor Positioned Below Digit On Right

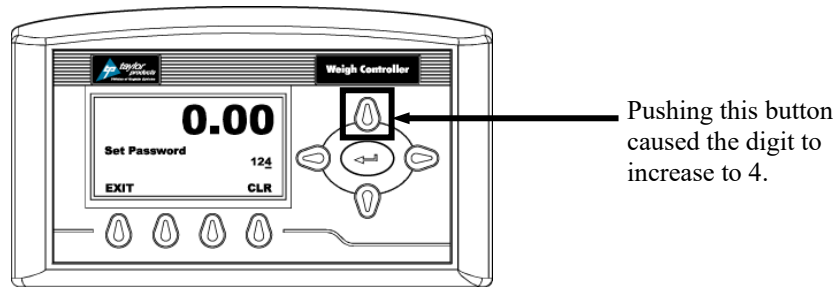


Figure 4-9. Operator Has Pressed The Up Arrow Causing Digit On Right To Increase To 4

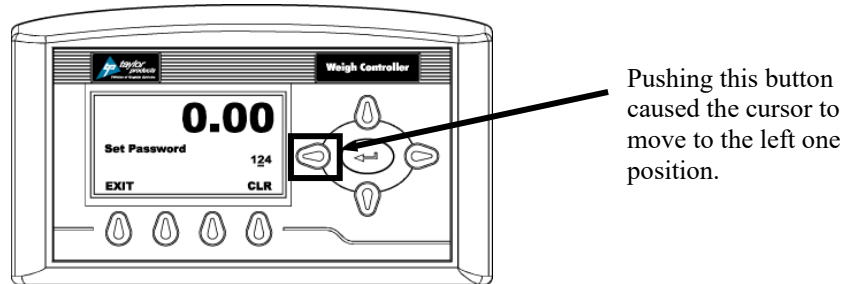


Figure 4-10. Operator Has Pressed The Left Arrow Moving Cursor Over 1 Position

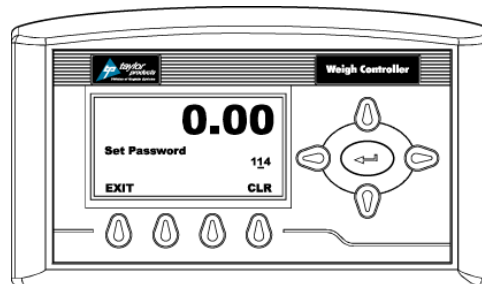


Figure 4-11. Operator Has Pressed The Down Arrow Causing Center Digit Decrease To 1

4.3.2 T3000 Controls

The Model A is available with an optional T3000 control set. The T3000 is a digital control panel that has been jointly designed by Magnum Systems and Hardy Instruments. The T3000 provides the operator with total monitoring and instrument control. The T3000 features the following functions:

- Weight display
- Alphanumeric keypad
- Function keys
- Enter/Exit keys
- Arrow keys

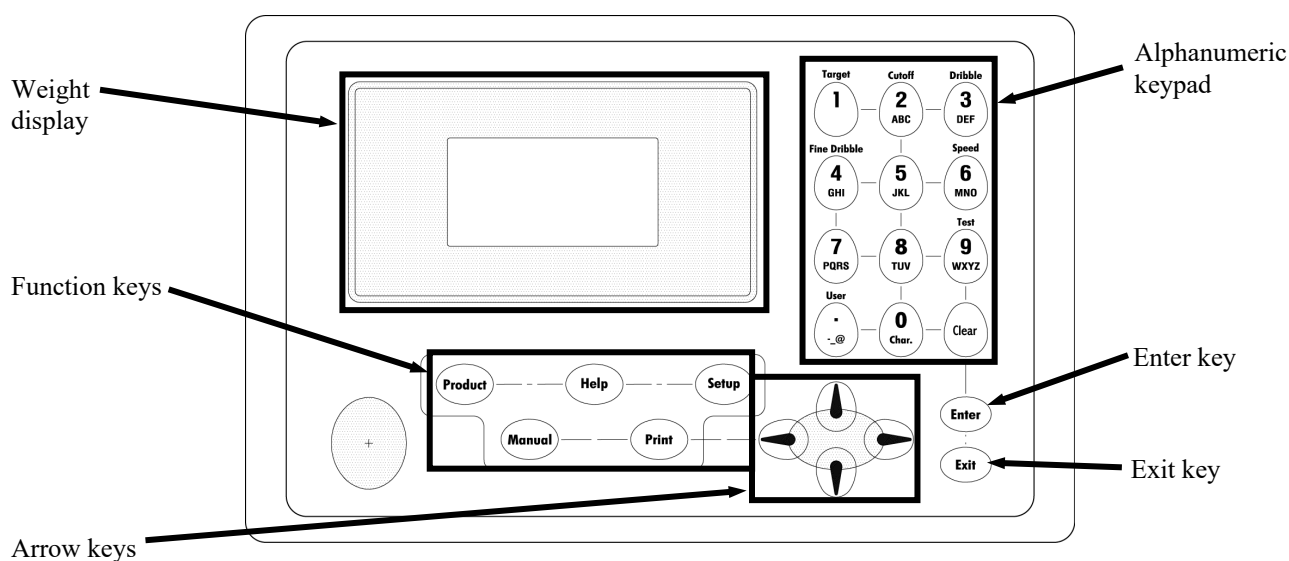


Figure 4-12. Taylor T3000 Control Panel

The front of the T3000 is equipped with a weight display, an alphanumeric keypad, directional arrow keys, function keys, an infrared PDA port, an Enter key, and an Exit key.

The display has one line of large fonts (5.5 alphanumeric characters), and four lines of smaller fonts (20 alphanumeric characters). The top line displays the currently selected package weight. The remaining four lines are used for monitoring system statuses, historical data, and configuration settings of the Model A.

The T3000 is equipped to provide alarms for the following conditions:

- Fill alarms
- Jog alarms
- Filler discharge alarms

For a full description of these alarms, refer to Chapter 3: Operating Procedures/Filler, of the Magnum Systems Filler/Dispenser/T3000 User Guide, that is included in Appendix E of this manual.

4.4 Setting of Parameters for a Fill Cycle

Model A units can be categorized based on their control type, as follows:

- T4000 controls
 - Single set point (SSP)
 - Dual set point (DSP)
- T3000 controls
 - Single set point (SSP)
 - Dual set point (DSP)

4.4.1 T4000 Single Set Point (SSP)

Use the steps below to set up a T4000 to fill as a single set point (SSP) machine.

1. From the Summary display press the SP2 button. The SP2 menu appears.

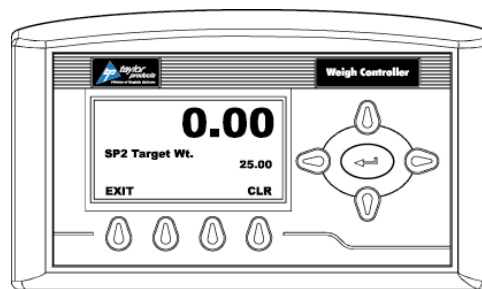


Figure 4-13. SP2 Menu

2. Press the function key directly below CLR on the display to clear the current entry.

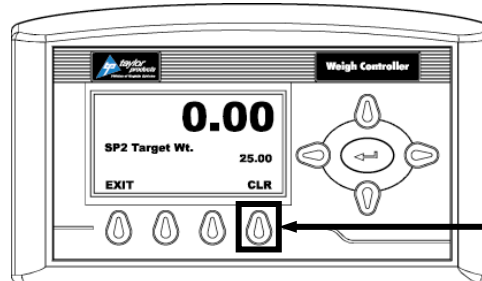


Figure 4-14. Clearing The Current Entry

3. Use the left/right arrow buttons to move the cursor left and right. Use the up/down arrow buttons to enter the SP2 weight for this application.

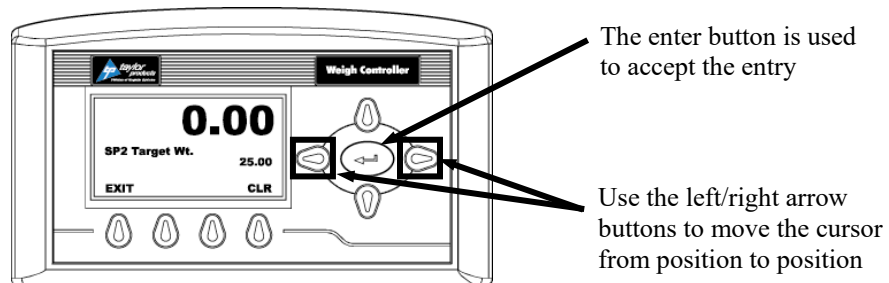


Figure 4-15. The Left/Right Arrow Buttons Are Used To Move The Cursor Position

4. Press the enter button to save the entry. The Summary display appears.

4.4.2 T4000 Dual Set Point (DSP)

Use the steps below to change the set points.

1. From the Summary Display, press the SP1 button. The SP1 menu appears.



Figure 4-16. SP1 Menu

2. Press the function key directly below CLR on the display to clear the current entry.

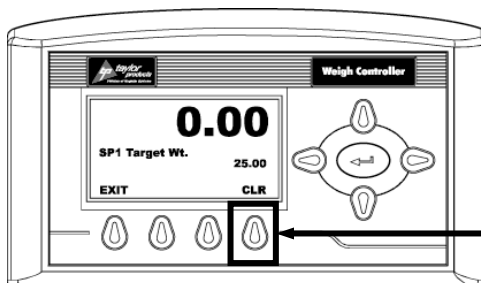


Figure 4-17. Clearing the Current Entry

3. Use the left or right arrow buttons to move the cursor left and right. Use the up or down arrow buttons to enter the SP1 weight for this application.

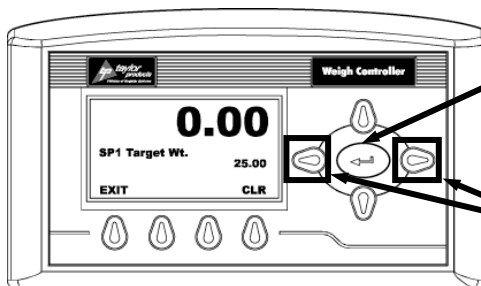


Figure 4-18. The Left/Right Arrow Buttons Are Used To Move The Cursor Position

4. Press the enter button to save the entry. The Entry Accepted message will appear briefly and then the Summary display will appear.
5. From the Summary display press the SP2 button. The SP2 menu appears.

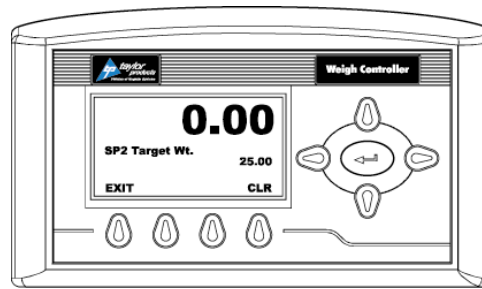


Figure 4-19. SP2 Menu

6. Press the function key directly below CLR on the display to clear the current entry.

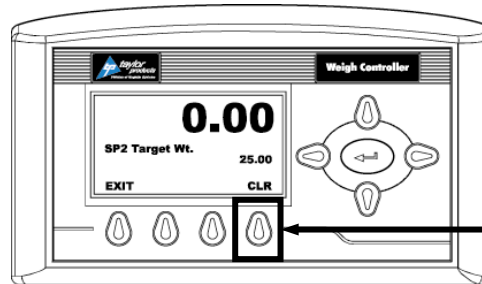


Figure 4-20. Clearing The Current Entry

7. Use the left or right arrow buttons to move the cursor left and right. Use the up or down arrow buttons to enter the SP2 weight for this application.

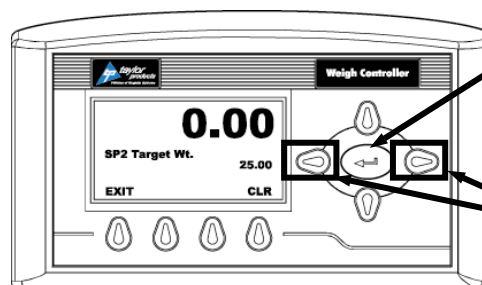


Figure 4-21. The Left/Right Arrow Buttons Are Used To Move The Cursor Position

8. Press the enter button to save the entry. The Summary display appears.

4.4.3 Setting Up a T3000 to Fill

Model A units equipped with the T3000 can be programmed to fill as many as 25 different products. Use the steps below to select a specific product from the available list.

1. Position the first container for filling.
2. Check the T3000 to make sure the Filler is configured for the specific product that is being used.
3. Make sure the T3000 is in Standby Mode.
4. Press the User button to pull up the User Menu.
5. Press the Clear button to erase the current entry.
6. Enter the user ID.
7. Press the Enter button.
8. If the product shown on the display is the product that is going to be packaged, the setup is complete. If not, continue to step 9.
9. If the product shown on the Standby Menu is not the product being packaged, do the following:
 - a. Press the Product button once. A list of products that have been programmed into the control panel will appear. The currently selected product will be displayed.
 - b. The operator can change the product using the up or down arrow buttons to scroll through the available list of products. When the desired product is found, position the cursor next to it and press the Enter button. The menu for that product will appear, with the cursor adjacent to the Accept Settings line. Press Enter again to accept the settings, or use the up/down arrows to scroll through the available parameters for that product. To change a specific parameter, place the cursor next to that line and key in the new value for that parameter, followed by pressing the Enter button. When finished, scroll back to the Accept Settings line and press the Enter button to accept the changes.

4.4.3.1 Using the T3000 to Set Up A Product From Scratch

To configure one of the 25 available product selections for a specific product, follow the steps below:

1. Press the Setup key once. The Configuration Menu will appear and will have the cursor on the ADJUST PRODUCT line. Press the Enter key.
2. The cursor will be positioned next to the currently selected product ID. Use the arrow keys to scroll down until the cursor is next to the first product number that has not been previously programmed.
3. Press the Enter key to select that product.
4. Position the cursor next to the line for the product name. Use the alphanumeric keypad to enter the name that has been selected for this product configuration. The default name can be used, but it is not recommended. Magnum Systems recommends using a name that provides some indication of what the product configuration is for. Press the Enter key to save the change.
5. Scroll down to the Unit of Measure line. Use the left/right arrow keys to select the appropriate unit of measure (Lb, Oz, Kg, G). Press the Enter key to save the change.
6. Scroll down to the WAVERSAVER line. Use the alphanumeric keypad to enter the desired setting. Magnum Systems recommends setting the WAVERSAVER to 3.50 Hz. Press the Enter key to save the change.
7. Scroll down to the Averages line. Use the alphanumeric keypad to enter the desired setting. Press the Enter key to save the change.
8. Scroll down to the Jog line. Press the Enter key to access the Jog Menu.

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9. Set Jog On Time to 0.000s, to disable the jog function. Press the Enter key to save the setting.
10. Press the Exit key.
11. Scroll down to the Fill Timer Line. Use the alphanumeric keypad to enter a new value, if desired. Press the Enter key to save the setting.
12. Scroll down to the Wait Timer line. Use the alphanumeric keypad to enter a new value, if desired. Press the Enter key to save the setting.
13. Scroll down to the Speeds line. Use the left/right arrow keys to select the Dual speed setting. Press the Enter key to access the settings for that fill speed.
14. Use the left/right arrow keys to toggle between OFF and ON. When this option is ON, the controller will auto adjust the dribble point.
15. Leave the Mode setting at the factory preset setting.
16. Scroll down to the Fill Proof Menu and press the Enter key.
 - a. The Fast Switch and Slow Switch settings MUST be off for the machine to run.
 - b. The recommended setting for the Fast Switch Tmr and the Slow Switch Tmr is 5s.
17. Press the Exit key three times to return to the Standby Display.

4.5 Starting the Unit

Once installed, the unit can now be started. The process for turning on the Model A will be the same for machines equipped with either T4000 or T3000 controls. Both control sets use a power switch and POWER ON indicator that is mounted on the lower right corner of the control box. A STOP button/indicator will be located in the same vicinity. The following steps are used to start the machine.

1. Press the STOP button in.
2. Turn the power switch to the ON position. The POWER ON indicator should illuminate. The weigh display, or controller display, should also illuminate and perform its initiation sequence. When complete, the weigh display or controller should display its opening screen.

Important: Allow the Model A to warm up for at least 30 minutes before performing setup procedures or starting the first fill cycle.

3. Turn the blower on.



CAUTION

Once the power switch is in the ON position, and the blower has been turned on, the machine can start operating automatically, or someone could accidentally start the machine.

4. Pull the STOP button out.
5. Place an empty bag on the spout. When placing the bag on the spout, the operator's hand should trip the bag clamp actuator switch lever, which will start the fill cycle.

Chapter 5

Preventive Maintenance

5.1 General Description

To minimize downtime, preventive maintenance should be made a priority. Proper preventive maintenance practices will also extend the life of the equipment. Developing a preventive maintenance schedule will ensure that critical maintenance procedures are not missed.

5.2 Daily Maintenance Procedures

At the start of each working day, the following maintenance tasks should be performed before starting the machine:

1. Thoroughly clean the machine.
2. Check all fasteners.
3. Drain any water that may have accumulated in the water separator in the air supply line.

5.2.1 Cleaning

Keeping the Model A clean is an important part of the daily maintenance tasks. Remove any dust and/or dirt that may accumulate on a daily basis. Keeping the unit clean will keep debris from entering the control mechanisms, which could cause the performance of the Model A to suffer. Also, by taking the time to clean the Model A on a daily basis, it will allow the operator to thoroughly inspect the Model A. Take the time to inspect all wiring, air supply lines and connections, and components for possible damage.

5.2.2 Check All Fasteners

The operator should check all fasteners on the Model A on a daily basis. Loose fasteners can cause unwanted vibration and wear.

5.2.3 Drain Water From the FRL

It is very important to remove unwanted moisture from the incoming air to ensure proper operating of the pneumatic components. At the beginning of each day, the operator should empty the water from the FRL. Use the process below to drain the water.

1. Disconnect the air supply line.
2. Place a container under the drain valve.
3. There are two types of drain valves, follow the appropriate step below to open and close the drain valve:
 - a. If the water separator has a pin-type drain valve, press the pin upward and hold it in to drain the water. Release the pin once all water has drained.
 - b. If the water separator has a screw-type drain valve, turn the screw cap counter-clockwise to completely loosen the cap. After the water has completely drained, lightly push the cap upward to engage the threads and turn the cap clockwise until snug.
4. Discard the water from the container.
5. Reconnect the air supply line.



Figure 5-1. Filter/Regulator/Lubricator Assembly – Drain Valve

5.3 Monthly Maintenance

On a monthly basis, the Model A should be recalibrated. Refer to the 3.8 Calibration.

Chapter 6

Troubleshooting

6.1 General Description

When a problem occurs, proper troubleshooting techniques will allow maintenance personnel to quickly identify the problem.

6.2 The Troubleshooting Process

The actual troubleshooting process is just as important as the repair process. Use the following troubleshooting keys to assist with the troubleshooting process:

- Identify the trouble symptom
 - What is the problem?
 - What were the circumstances when the problem occurred?
 - Could weather be a factor?
 - Are there any other contributing factors?
- Sectionalize the problem
 - Look at the problem.
 - What area of the machine is the problem occurring in?
 - Has anything changed recently?
- Isolate the problem
 - Try simple things first.
 - Observe indication and trouble codes.
 - Check test points.
 - Avoid complicating the problem.

6.3 Trouble Symptoms

Use the following information to assist in troubleshooting.

6.3.1 Scale is Not Accurate

If the load cell is providing inaccurate readings, check the following:

1. Check for proper calibration. Refer to 3.8 Calibration.
2. Check the surge hopper to make sure an adequate supply of material is available in the product hopper to ensure a consistent head pressure.
3. Check to make sure there is nothing restricting material flow from the surge hopper.
4. Check the shipping bolts/nuts. Make sure the shipping nuts have been backed off until they bottom out against the mount.

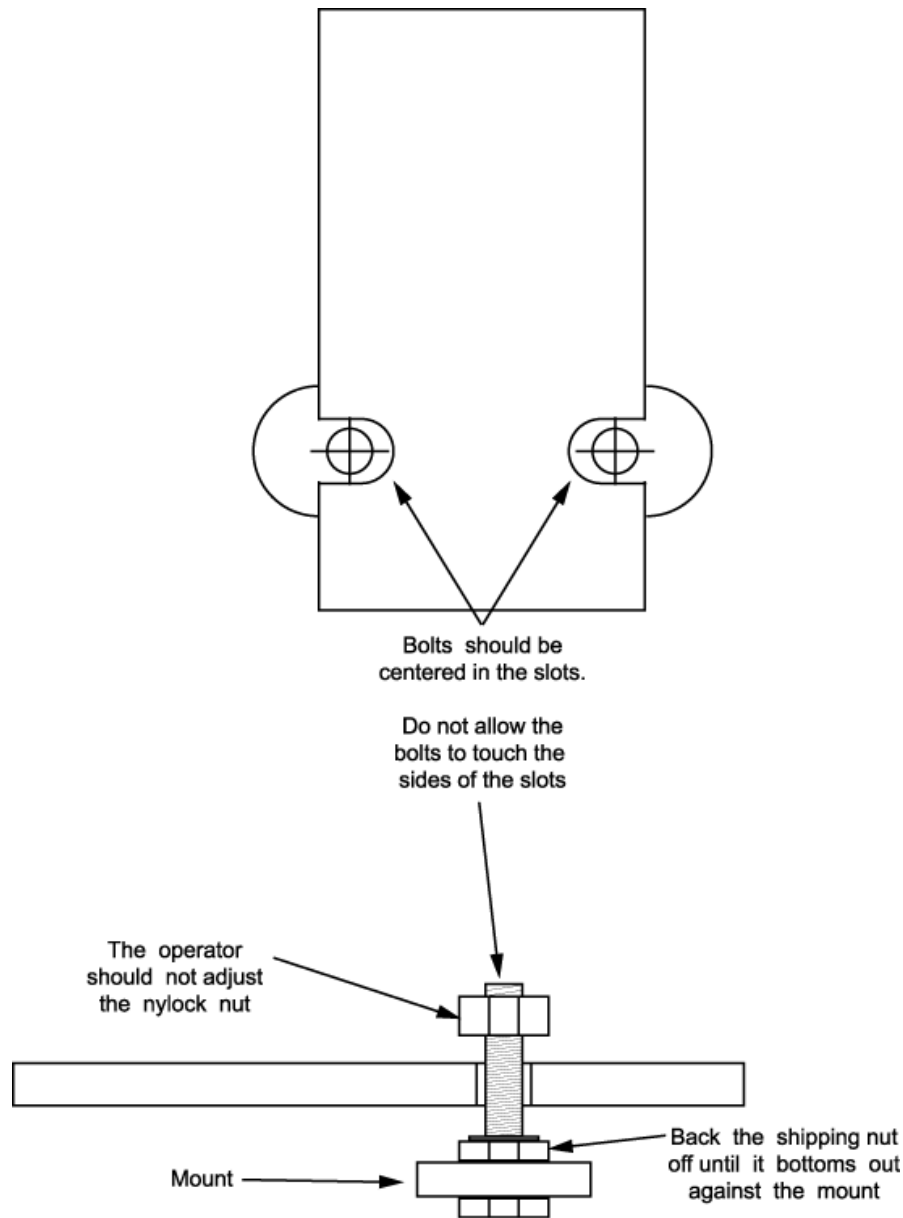


Figure 6-1. Shipping Bolt Alignment

6.3.2 Scale Does Not Return to Zero

If the scale reading does not return to zero after the package has been removed from the spout, check the following items:

1. If the AutoZero function is enabled, the weight display will show a negative weight reading.

6.3.3 The Blower Will Not Run

If the blower will not run when the START button is pressed, check the following:

1. Check the power coming into the unit to make sure you have 240/460 volts.
2. Check the heaters on the starter to make sure they are not tripped.
3. Check the start button to see if the contacts are closing.
4. Check the wires on motor to see if the wiring is correct for the available voltage.
5. Check the motor to see if the windings are bad or it has a short to ground. If either condition is found, replace motor. Refer to 7.3.9 Blower Motor Replacement.

6.3.4 Weighments are Erratic

If the weighments vary from too high to too low, check the following items:

1. Check the mechanical operation of the spout to make sure there is not anything coming into contact with the spout.
2. Check the condition of the flex leaves. Bent or broken flex leaves must be replaced. Refer to 7.3.7 Upper Flex Leaf Replacement or 7.3.8 Lower Flex Leaf Replacement.
3. Check the condition of the fill hose between the spout and the bulkhead. Make sure it is pliable and not dry rotted. If the fill hose is not pliable, or if dry rot is found, replace the hose. Refer to 7.3.2 Fill Hose Replacement.
4. Check the size of the package to make sure there is enough room for the product to fit into the bag without it having to be forced into the bag. Magnum Systems recommends a few inches of space be left at the top when the bag is full. (To find out if this is happening lower the weight going into bag to see if it runs accurate).
5. Check to see if the bag is touching the kicker during the fill cycle. The bag should not be touching the kicker.
6. For dual set point machines, check the dribble (SP1) and cutoff (SP2) set points. Once SP1 is achieved, the machine should run at the dribble rate for a minimum of two seconds for proper operation.
7. Check the operation of the adjustable fill tube pinch cylinder. Make sure it is working properly. It may be necessary to adjust the dribble, depending on product.
8. Empty the machine and check the butterfly to see if it needs to be replaced or a new seal installed. A leaking butterfly valve might cause the machine to lose air through the top, which would cause erratic flow.
9. Check the flow of product into bag. Product flow should be as smooth as possible. If the bag is jumping, adjust the tank gate valve to change the air pressure in the hopper. Lowering the air pressure in the hopper should smooth this out. For more information refer to 4.2.3.1 Blower Air Pressure.
10. Check the load cell for proper operation. If the load cell is damaged or does not function properly, replace it.
11. Check the zero of the machine. Make sure it stays on zero and doesn't jump around. If the zero is unstable, a faulty load cell or zero pot may be the cause.

6.3.5 Machine Fails To Start After The START Switch Is Pressed

If the Model A won't start when the START button is pressed, even though the machine is turned on, check the following items.

1. Check the start switch to see if the contacts are working properly.
2. Check the voltage to and from the start switch. The voltage should be 110 volts.
3. Check the MAC valve to see if it is getting voltage and the valve is functioning properly.
4. Check for the presence of voltage at the delay of start timer. If voltage is present, check to see if the valve changes states. If it does not change states, replace the MAC valve. Refer to 7.3.5 MAC Valve Replacement.
5. Check the MAC valve to see if it is getting air. If compressed air is not being supplied to the MAC valve, correct the air supply problem.
6. Check to see if the pinch tubes are opening and closing properly, to direct the air from the blower to the chamber to force product out of spout.
7. Check the start pressure switch to make sure that it is receiving air.

6.3.6 Load Cell Fails Frequently



CAUTION

A sudden jerk or shock, such as being struck by a tool or hitting the spout, etc., can cause load cell damage. The load cell is NOT covered by warranty.

If the load cell on a Model A fails frequently, check the following items:

1. Check the operating conditions to make sure that the load cell is not jarred, jerked, or being loaded with a sudden excessive force.
2. Check the load cell to make sure that the product being weighed does not exceed the rating of the load cell.

6.3.7 Kicker Does Not Kick Off Bag

If the kicker is unable to kick the filled package off of the spout, follow the steps below.

1. Check for proper air pressure. A minimum of 80 psi is required.
2. Check for airflow to the MAC valve on the butterfly actuator.
3. Check for airflow to the check weigh button valve. Check the valve to make sure that air is able to pass through it. The check weigh button is the white button on the face of the machine.
4. Check for airflow to the kicker cylinder. If air is available to the cylinder and the air passes through the cylinder, then the cylinder should be replaced.

6.3.8 Fill speeds are too slow

If the fill rate is slow, check the following items:

1. Check the butterfly valve seal. Replace the seal if necessary.
2. Check the five air pads. The air pads will require periodic replacement. They should be changed approximately twice a year. Some applications may require changing them more frequently, depending on the type of product being packaged.
3. Adjust the tank gate valve in the blow by manifold, by turning it clockwise, to allow more air pressure in the hopper.
4. Check the pinch valves to make sure they are working properly.
5. Check the dribble (SP1) setting to make sure it isn't set too low. This would result in longer fill times.

6.3.9 Squealing Noise From The Blower Motor

If the blower is making a squealing noise, check the following items:

1. Check the blower motor silencers. Replace as necessary.

6.4 System Alarms

Each type of control panel provides the ability of system monitoring to the operator and has it's own set of alarms. The alarms are covered in the following pages.

6.4.1 T4000 Alarms

During the filling process, conditions may occur that result in one of the following T4000 alarms:

- A/D Failure Error! – An internal electronics error has occurred. Retry the operation. If the failure error re-occurs, power the machine down, then restart the machine and try the operation again. If the operation still fails, contact Magnum Systems technical assistance.
- A/D Convert Error! – The input from the load cell is outside of the acceptable range. Check the load cell for damage. If a new load cell has been installed, check the rating of the load cell to make sure that the correct load cell has been installed.
- Motion Error! – The controller has detected that the vessel or product is in motion and the controller cannot finalize the weighment. Check the machine settings and retry.
- Trad Cal Error! – An error occurred during the calibration process. Try to calibrate the machine again. If the error occurs again, contact Magnum Systems technical assistance.
- C2 Cal Error! – This error should not occur, as Magnum Systems does not use C2 type load cells. If this error does occur, contact Magnum Systems technical assistance.
- Too Lo Error! – Verify that the load cell signal level is 0-15 mV. Verify that there is enough weight on the scale. Perform Span then go back and Zero.
- Too Hi Error! – Verify that the load cell signal level is 0-15mV. Verify that there is not too much weight on the scale. Perform Span then go back and Zero.
- No C2 Sensor! – Instrument did not detect a C2[®] Load Sensor. This error should appear if C2[®] Cal is selected, as Magnum Systems does not use C2[®] type load cells. If this error does occur, contact Magnum Systems technical assistance.
- CAL Failed! – There are too few counts between Zero and Span. Reset either of the values, so that the counts are more than 1,000 counts of each other.
- C2 Caps Unequal! – This error should not occur, as Magnum Systems does not use C2[®] type load cells. If this error does occur, contact Magnum Systems technical assistance.
- HI/LO Too Close! – The Zero and Span values are not more than 1,000 counts from each other or there is no change, or there is a negative change. Reset either of the values, so that the counts are more than 1,000 counts of each other.
- Function Error! – The operator has pressed a function button and the function did not work. Try the function again. If it does not work, cycle the power off and on. If it still doesn't work, contact Magnum Systems technical assistance.
- Not Allowed! – The value entered by the operator is outside of the range that is allowed. The operator should try another value that is within the acceptable range.
- Security Violation! – User signed in with a password that does not allow performance of a certain function or entry to certain menus. Security level of the user identified in the User ID, too low for the menu or function.
- Overrange – The final package weight has exceeded the set point target.
- Gross ADC Error – The controller has detected a load cell error. Check all load cell connections. Repair connections as necessary. Check the load cell for damage. Replace the load cell if necessary. Refer to 7.3.4 Load Cell Replacement.

6.4.2 T3000 Alarms

During the filling process, conditions may occur that result in an alarm from the T3000. There are 3 different categories of alarms:

- Fill alarms
- Jog alarms
- Filler discharge alarms

For a full description of these alarms, refer to Chapter 3: Operating Procedures/Filler, of the Magnum Systems Filler/Dispenser/IBC T3000 User Guide, that is included in Appendix E of this manual.

6.4.2.1 Fill Alarms

Fill alarms are used to indicate that current conditions will not allow the selected fill feature to function properly. These alarms are:

- Not OK to fill alarm
- Lost OK to fill alarm
- No fast feed alarm
- Feed on alarm
- No medium feed alarm
- No slow feed alarm
- Slow feed on alarm
- Fill timeout alarm
- Underfill/overflow alarm

6.4.2.2 Jog Alarms

Jog alarms are used to indicate that current conditions will not allow the selected jog feature to function properly. These alarms are:

- Did not jog alarm
- Jog stuck on alarm
- Jog count alarm

6.4.2.3 Filler Discharge Alarms

Filler discharge alarms are used to indicate that current conditions will not allow the selected fill feature to function properly. These alarms are:

- Not OK to discharge alarm
- No discharge alarm
- Discharge clogged alarm
- Discharge on alarm

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Chapter 7

Repair and Adjustment

7.1 General Description

When troubleshooting procedures have indicated that a component needs to be repaired, replaced, or adjusted, following the repair procedures contained in this chapter will assist maintenance personnel return the machine to operation in a timely manner.

7.2 System Adjustment Procedures

The Model A has several components that may require adjustments over time. These changes may be due to normal wear, or may be required when changing products. Items that may require adjustments are:

- Primary air pressure
- Lower air pad air pressure
- Pinch valve air pressure
- MAC valve

7.2.1 Primary Air Pressure Adjustment

The Filter/Regulator/Lubricator (FRL) is the primary air pressure regulator for the Model A. The machine requires that compressed air from the FRL be set at approximately 80-100 PSI (.55-.69 MPa) at 15 SCFM for proper operation. If air pressure is too high, the air pressure regulator can be used to adjust the output air pressure. The pressure regulator cannot be used to increase the air pressure higher than the pressure of the source.

7.2.2 Lower Air Pad Air Pressure Adjustment

On the front of the Model A, to the left of the upper flex leaf is the lower air pad air pressure regulator. This air pressure regulator is used to control the amount of compressed air that is supplied to the lower air pad. As air pressure is increased, so is the product flow from the spout. As air pressure is decreased, the product flow from the spout also decreases. The recommended setting will vary, depending on the type of product that is being packaged. For powder products, the recommended range is 3-6 PSI (.02-.04 MPa). For granular products, it may be necessary to increase the air pressure to as high as 20 PSI (.14 MPa).

7.2.3 Pinch Valve Air Pressure Adjustment

On the right side of the Model A, toward the rear of the machine, the operator will find the air pressure regulator for the pinch valves. The pressure setting for this regulator should never exceed 20 PSI (.13 MPa).

7.2.4 MAC Valve Flow Control Adjustment

If the operator has determined that the actuation speed of a pneumatic component is either too fast or too slow, the operator can adjust the actuation speed of that component by adjusting the flow control on the MAC valve that controls that pneumatic component. Use the steps below to adjust the airflow from the MAC valve.

1. Locate the MAC valve that controls the affected component.
2. Locate the flow control screw on the top of the MAC valve.
3. Using a screwdriver turn the flow control screw. To increase the actuation speed, turn the adjustment screw counter-clockwise. To decrease the actuation speed, turn the adjustment screw clockwise.

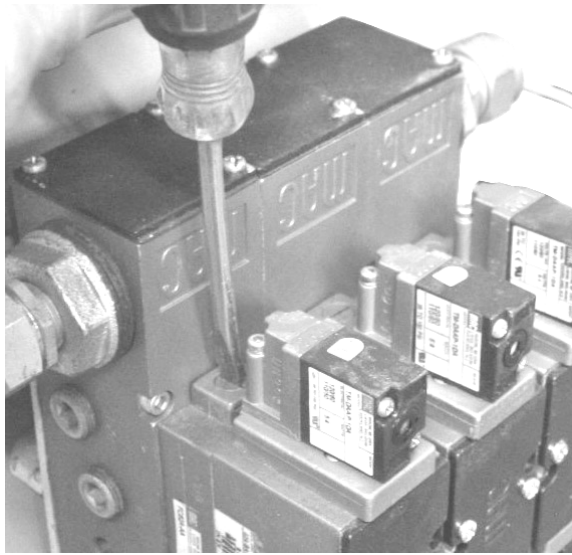


Figure 7-1. Adjusting Airflow From The MAC Valve

7.3 Component Replacement Procedures

Over time, components on the Model A may become worn or damaged. If this occurs, follow the procedures in this section to repair or replace individual components.



WARNING

When replacing parts, it is critical that only parts approved by Magnum Systems are used.

7.3.1 Spout Replacement

Due to the abrasiveness of some products, the spout may need to be replaced periodically. Use the following procedures to remove and install the spout.

7.3.1.1 Spout Removal

1. Turn the Model A off.
2. Disconnect the main electrical and pneumatic connections.
3. Remove the bag clamp cylinder. Refer to 7.3.11 Bag Clamp Cylinder Replacement.
4. Loosen the clamp on the spout end of the fill tube.
5. Remove the spout purge valve (if equipped). Refer to 7.3.3 Purge Valve Replacement.
6. Remove the spout mounting bolts.
7. Remove the spout. It may be necessary to twist the spout to free it from the fill tube.
8. Remove the bolt that secures the dust shroud to the rear of the spout.
9. Slide the dust shroud off of the spout.

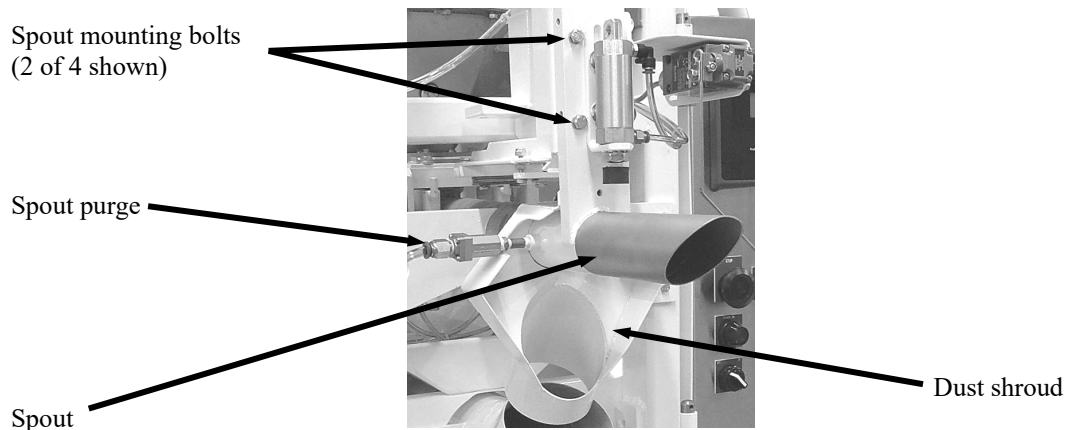


Figure 7-2. Spout (Purge Option Shown) and Related Components

7.3.1.2 Spout Installation

1. Slide the dust shroud onto the rear of the spout.
2. Install and tighten the dust shroud mounting bolt.
3. Position the new spout and install and tighten the mounting bolts.
4. Connect the spout end of the gum rubber fill hose to the spout.
5. Position the fill hose clamp and tighten it to secure the hose to the spout.
6. Install the spout purge valve (if equipped). Refer to 7.3.3 Purge Valve Replacement.
7. Install the bag clamp cylinder. Refer to 7.3.11 Bag Clamp Cylinder Installation.
8. Connect the main electrical and pneumatic connections.
9. Turn the Model A on and test it for proper operation.

7.3.2 Fill Hose Replacement

Due to the abrasiveness of the materials being packaged, the fill tube will require periodic replacement. The frequency will be dependent on how abrasive the product is that the machine is packaging.

7.3.2.1 Fill Hose Removal

1. Turn the Model A off.
2. Disconnect the main electrical and pneumatic connections.
3. Loosen the hose clamp that secures the fill hose to the transition.
4. Loosen the hose clamp that secures the fill hose to the spout.
5. Pull the spout end of the fill hose free of the spout.
6. Remove the hose clamps and set them aside.
7. Pull the transition end of the fill hose free of the transition.

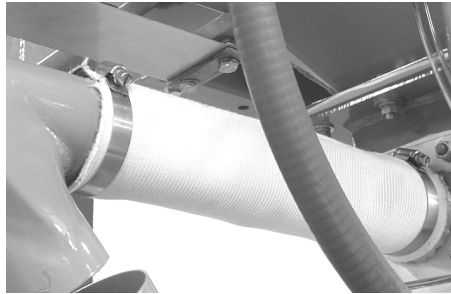


Figure 7-3. Fill Hose

7.3.2.2 Fill Hose Installation

1. Position the new fill hose and slide one end onto the spout.
2. Slide the two hose clamps onto the fill hose.
3. Slide the free end of the fill hose onto the transition.
4. Position one hose clamp at each end.
5. Tighten the hose clamp that secures the fill hose to the spout.
6. Tighten the hose clamp that secures the fill hose to the transition.
7. Connect the main electrical and pneumatic connections.
8. Turn the Model A on and test for proper operation.

7.3.3 Purge Valve Replacement

The Model A may be ordered with an optional purge valve installed in the spout. This spout is used to help clear product from the spout. If the valve requires replacement, or removal to facilitate the replacement of another component, follow the steps below.

7.3.3.1 Purge Valve Removal

1. Turn the Model A off.
2. Disconnect the main electrical and pneumatic connections.
3. Disconnect the air supply line from the quick connect fitting on the purge valve.
4. Use a wrench to loosen and remove the purge valve from the spout.

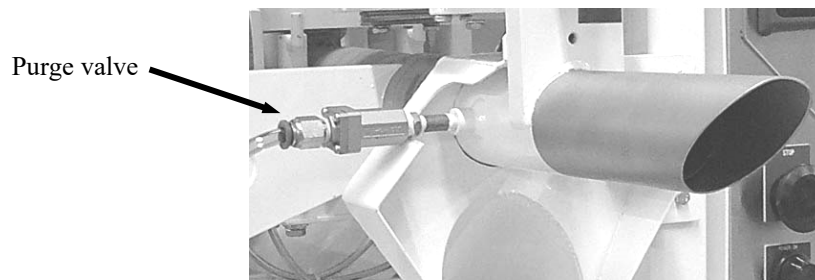


Figure 7-4. Purge Valve

7.3.3.2 Purge Valve Installation

1. Apply Teflon® tape to the threads of the purge valve.
2. Install the purge valve by threading it into the fitting in the spout.
3. Use a wrench to tighten the valve in the fitting.
4. Connect the air supply line to the quick connect fitting on the purge valve.
5. Connect the main electrical and pneumatic connections.
6. Turn the Model A on and test for proper operation.

7.3.4 Load Cell Replacement

In the event that a load cell becomes damaged or fails to function, follow the procedure below to replace the load cell.



CAUTION

A sudden jerk or shock, such as being struck by a tool or hitting the spout, etc., can cause load cell damage. The load cell is NOT covered by warranty.

7.3.4.1 Load Cell Removal

1. Turn the Model A off.
2. Disconnect the main electrical and pneumatic connections.
3. Remove the bag clamp cylinder. Refer to 7.3.11 Bag Clamp Cylinder Replacement.
4. Remove the spout. Refer to 7.3.1 Spout Replacement.
5. Open the control box.
6. Locate the load cell connections.
7. Make a note of each connection point and the color of wire that is connected to it.
8. Disconnect the load cell connections.
9. Pull the load cell cable free of the control box.
10. Remove any tie straps that are securing the load cell cable to the frame of the Model A.
11. Loosen and remove the load cell mounting bolts.
12. Remove the load cell.

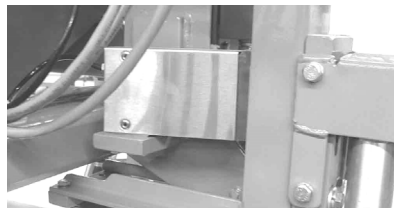


Figure 7-5. Load Cell

7.3.4.2 Load Cell Installation

1. Position the load cell.
2. Install and tighten the two mounting bolts.
3. Route the load cell cable to the control box in the same manner as the cable from the load cell that was removed.
4. Insert the cable into the control box.
5. Connect the load cell cable to the controller.
6. Close the control box.
7. Install the spout. Refer to 7.3.1 Spout Replacement.
8. Install the bag clamp cylinder. Refer to 7.3.11 Bag Clamp Cylinder Replacement.
9. Connect the main electrical and pneumatic connections.
10. Turn the Model A on.
11. Calibrate the Model A. Refer to 3.8 Calibration.

7.3.5 MAC Valve Replacement

In the event that a MAC valve becomes damaged, or fails to function, or develops a leak, follow the procedure below to replace the MAC valve.

7.3.5.1 MAC Valve Removal

1. Turn the Model A off.
2. Disconnect the main electrical and pneumatic connections.
3. Disconnect the air line from the quick connect fitting on the MAC valve.
4. Remove the four mounting screws.
5. Unplug and remove the MAC valve.

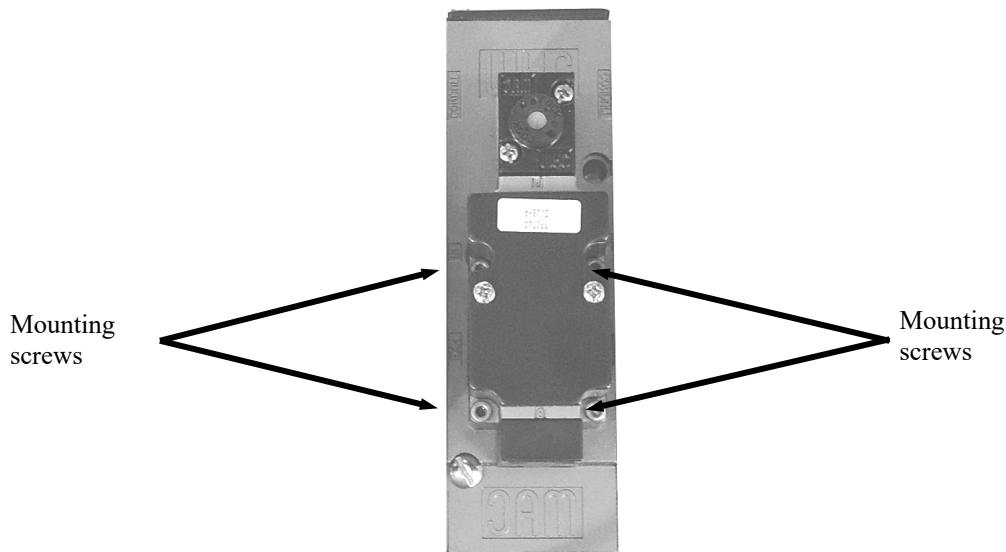


Figure 7-6. MAC Valve Solenoid Mounting Screws

7.3.5.2 MAC Valve Installation

1. Position the valve gasket securely in the groove in the valve base.
2. Position the new MAC valve and plug it in.

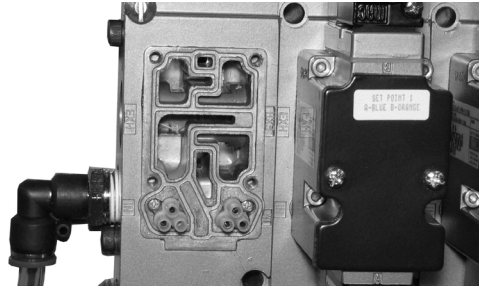


Figure 7-7. MAC Valve (Solenoid Removed)

3. Install and tighten the four mounting screws.
4. Connect the air line to the quick connect fitting on the MAC valve.
5. Connect the main electrical and pneumatic connections.
6. Turn the Model A on and test for proper operation.

7.3.6 Butterfly Valve Replacement

In the event that the butterfly valve has failed, follow the steps below to replace the unit.

Important: Before attempting to replace the butterfly valve, make sure that the supply hopper that is feeding the Model A has been emptied or has been sealed off. Failure to do so will result in a major product spill.

7.3.6.1 Butterfly Valve Removal

1. Turn the Model A off.
2. Disconnect the main electrical and pneumatic connections.
3. Disconnect the electrical and pneumatic connections from the butterfly valve.
4. Remove the plant provided supply hopper.
5. Remove the nuts that secure the butterfly valve to the top of the hopper on the Model A.
6. Remove the butterfly valve.

7.3.6.2 Butterfly Valve Installation

1. Clean the gasket surface on top of the hopper.
2. Position the new gasket on top of the hopper.
3. Position the butterfly valve on top of the hopper.
4. Install and tighten the nuts that secure the butterfly valve to the hopper.
5. Install the plant provided supply hopper.
6. Connect the electrical and pneumatic connections to the butterfly valve.
7. Connect the main electrical and pneumatic connections.
8. Turn the Model A on and test for proper operation.

7.3.7 Upper Flex Leaf Replacement

In the event that the upper flex leaf becomes damaged and requires replacement, use the following procedures to replace it.

Important: Before replacing the flex leaf, make sure that the spout is not under load. When installing the new flex leaf, it must be level.

7.3.7.1 Upper Flex Leaf Removal

1. Turn the Model A off.
2. Disconnect the main electrical and pneumatic connections.
3. Remove the bolts that secure the upper flex leaf to the weigh mast.
4. Remove the bolts that secure the upper flex leaf to the base frame.
5. Remove the upper flex leaf. Be careful to not lose the shims/spacers.



Figure 7-8. Upper Flex Leaf

7.3.7.2 Upper Flex Leaf Installation

1. Position the upper flex leaf on the Model A and line up the bolt holes.
2. Loosely install the upper flex leaf mounting bolts.
3. Tighten the upper flex leaf mounting bolts.
4. Connect the main electrical and pneumatic connections.
5. Turn the Model A on and test for proper operation.

7.3.8 Lower Flex Leaf Replacement

In the event that an air fitting becomes damaged and requires replacement, use the following procedures to replace the air fitting.

Important: Before replacing the flex leaf, make sure that the spout is not under load. When installing the new flex leaf, it must be level.

7.3.8.1 Lower Flex Leaf Removal

1. Turn the Model A off.
2. Disconnect the main electrical and pneumatic connections.
3. Remove the bolts that secure the lower flex leaf to the weigh mast.
4. Remove the bolts that secure the lower flex leaf to the base frame.
5. Remove the lower flex leaf. Be careful to not lose the shims/spacers.



Figure 7-9. Lower Flex Leaf

7.3.8.1 Lower Flex Leaf Installation

1. Position the lower flex leaf on the Model A and line up the bolt holes.
2. Position the shims.
3. Loosely install the lower flex leaf mounting bolts.
4. Tighten the lower flex leaf mounting bolts.
5. Connect the main electrical and pneumatic connections.
6. Turn the Model A on and test for proper operation.

7.3.9 Blower Motor Replacement

In the event that the blower motor fails and requires replacement, use the following procedures to remove and install the blower motor.

7.3.9.1 Blower Motor Removal

1. Turn the Model A off.
2. Disconnect the main electrical and pneumatic connections.
3. Remove the intake air filter element. Refer to 7.3.10 Intake Air Filter Replacement.
4. Loosen and remove the two mounting bolts that connect the air intake pipe to the blower motor.
5. Remove the air intake pipe.
6. Loosen and remove the two mounting bolts that connect the air outlet pipe to the blower motor.
7. Pull the air outlet pipe free of the blower motor.
8. Open the electrical box on the side of the blower motor.
9. Label and disconnect the wires from the power cord and the switch.
10. Loosen and remove the blower mounting bolts.
11. Remove the blower motor.

7.3.9.2 Blower Motor Installation

1. Position the blower motor on the frame.
2. Adjust the placement of the blower so that all four mounting holes on the blower are lined up with the four mounting holes on the frame of the Model A.
3. Install and tighten the mounting bolts.
4. Open the electrical box on the side of the blower motor.
5. Route the power cord cable and the cable from the power switch into the electrical box.
6. Connect the cables in the electrical box. Refer to Appendix D Electrical Drawings.
7. Close the electrical box.
8. Position the outlet pipe at outlet of the blower motor.
9. Line up the mounting holes in the outlet pipe flange with the mounting holes in the blower motor.
10. Install and tighten the outlet pipe mounting bolts.
11. Position the inlet pipe at the inlet of the blower motor.
12. Line up the mounting holes in the inlet pipe flange with the mounting holes in the blower motor.
13. Install and tighten the inlet pipe mounting bolts.
14. Install the intake air filter element. Refer to 7.3.10 Intake Air Filter Replacement.
15. Turn the Model A on and test for proper operation.

7.3.10 Intake Air Filter Replacement

As the Model A operates, the air filter will be removing dust and debris from the air entering the blower intake port. Over time, this filter may become clogged to the point where the operation of the Model A will be adversely affected. Use the following procedures to replace the filter element.

7.3.10.1 Intake Air Filter Removal

1. Shut the Model A off.
2. Disconnect the main power and pneumatic connections.
3. Remove the wing nut and washer that are used to retain the filter element and set them aside.
4. Rotate the filter element to break the seal that may have formed at the base.
5. Gently lift the filter element straight up, being careful to not dislodge any of the debris that is trapped in the filter.
6. Discard the filter.

7.3.10.2 Intake Air Filter Installation

1. Position the new filter over the mount and lower it onto the filter mount. Make sure that the stud on the top of the mount protrudes through the hole in the top of filter.
2. Install the washer and wing nut on the stud.
3. Tighten the wing nut.
4. Connect the main power and pneumatic connections.
5. Turn the Model A on and test for proper operation.

7.3.11 Bag Clamp Cylinder Replacement

If the bag clamp cylinder fails to function or develops a leak, use the following procedures to replace the cylinder.

7.3.11.1 Bag Clamp Cylinder Removal

1. Turn the Model A off.
2. Disconnect the main electrical and pneumatic connections
3. Label and disconnect the air supply lines at the quick connect fittings on the bag clamp cylinder.
4. Remove the bag clamp pad. Refer to 7.3.12 Bag Clamp Pad Replacement.
5. Use a wrench to hold the bag clamp cylinder, while using a second wrench to remove the bag clamp cylinder retaining nut.
6. Remove the bag clamp cylinder by lifting it out of the mounting bracket.

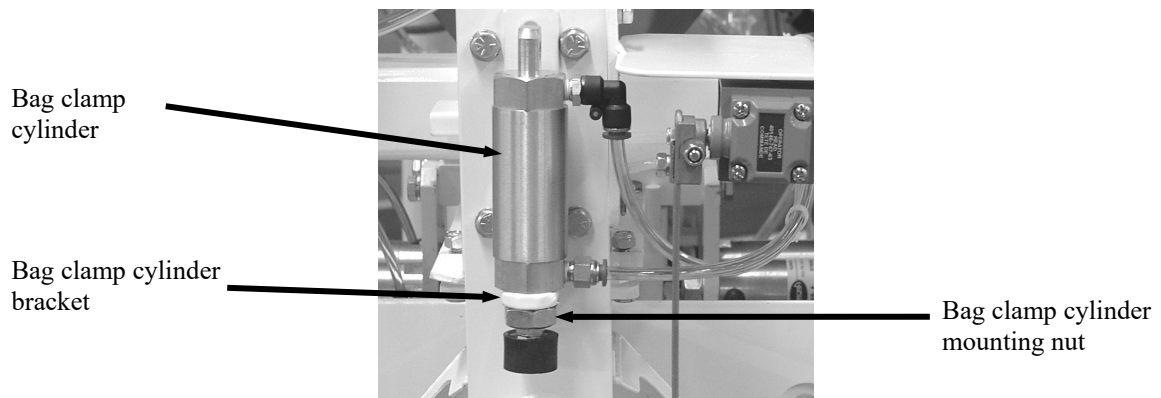


Figure 7-10. Bag Clamp Cylinder Mounting

7.3.11.2 Bag Clamp Cylinder Installation

1. Place the new bag clamp cylinder into the mounting bracket. Situate it so that when facing the impeller packer from the front, the quick connect fittings are on the right.
2. Install the bag clamp cylinder retaining nut. Use a wrench to hold the bag clamp cylinder while tightening the retaining nut with another wrench.
3. Install the bag clamp pad. Refer to 7.3.12 Bag Clamp Pad Replacement.
4. Connect the air supply lines to the quick connect fittings on the bag clamp cylinder.
5. Connect the main electrical and pneumatic connections.
6. Check all air supply connections for leaks.
7. Turn the Model A on and test for proper operation.

7.3.12 Bag Clamp Pad Replacement

Over time, the bag clamp pad may wear and require replacement. Follow the steps below to replace the bag clamp pad.

7.3.12.1 Bag Clamp Pad Removal

1. Turn the Model A off.
2. Disconnect the main electrical and pneumatic connections.
3. Use a wrench to hold the threaded fitting on the cylinder rod.
4. Unscrew the bag clamp pad from the cylinder rod.



Figure 7-11. Bag Clamp Pad Mount

7.3.12.2 Bag Clamp Pad Installation

1. Screw the bag clamp pad on to the cylinder rod.
2. Use a wrench to hold the threaded fitting on the cylinder rod and tighten the bag clamp pad.
3. Connect the main electrical and pneumatic connections.
4. Turn the Model A on and test for proper operation.

7.3.13 Bag Clamp Actuator Switch Replacement

If the bag clamp actuator switch fails to function and troubleshooting techniques have determined that the switch must be replaced, use the following steps to replace the switch.

7.3.13.1 Bag Clamp Actuator Switch Removal

1. Turn the Model A off.
2. Disconnect the main electrical and pneumatic connections.
3. Open the control box.
4. Trace the cable from the switch to the point where it is connected to the controller.
5. Label the wires to indicate how they were connected.
6. Disconnect the switch cable from the controller.
7. Pull the cable free from the control box.
8. Remove any tie wraps that may secure the cable to the Model A.
9. Pull the cable free of the machine, all the way up to the switch.
10. Remove the mounting screws that mount the switch to the mounting bracket.
11. Remove the switch.

7.3.13.2 Bag Clamp Actuator Switch Installation

1. Position the switch so that the mounting holes in the bracket are aligned with the mounting holes in the switch.
2. Insert and tighten the mounting screws.
3. Route the switch cable to the control box. The routing should be very similar to the routing of the cable from the switch that was removed.
4. Insert the end of the cable through the grommet into the control box.
5. Connect the wires to the controller in the same fashion as the connections from the switch that was installed previously.
6. Close the control box.
7. Secure the switch cable to the frame of the Model A using tie straps.
8. Connect the main electrical and pneumatic connections.
9. Turn the Model A on and test for proper operation.

7.3.14 Adjustable Fill Tube Pinch Cylinder Replacement

If the adjustable fill tube pinch cylinder develops a leak or fails to function, use the following steps to replace the cylinder assembly.

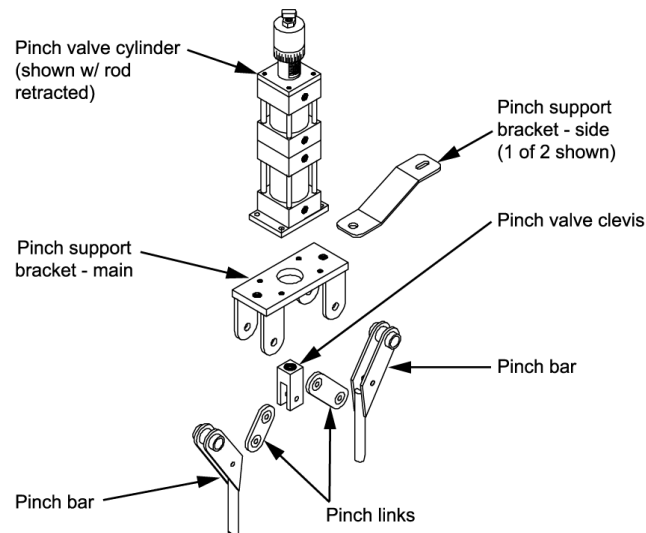


Figure 7-12. Adjustable Pinch Cylinder Mounting

7.3.14.1 Adjustable Fill Tube Pinch Cylinder Removal

1. Turn the Model A off.
2. Disconnect the main electrical and pneumatic connections.
3. Label and disconnect the air supply lines from the cylinder assembly.
4. Loosen and remove the bolts/nuts from that secure the pinch support bracket to frame brackets to the frame.
5. Lift the entire adjustable pinch valve assembly up and away from the Model A.
6. Loosen the jam nut that secures the clevis.
7. Back the cylinder rod out of the clevis.
8. Loosen and remove the bolts/nuts that secure the adjustable pinch valve cylinder to the adjustable pinch valve base.
9. Remove the adjustable pinch valve cylinder from the base.

7.3.14.2 Adjustable Fill Tube Pinch Cylinder Installation

1. Insert the rod end of the new cylinder through the hole in the base.
2. Install and tighten the bolts/nuts that secure the adjustable pinch valve cylinder to the adjustable pinch valve base.
3. Thread the cylinder rod into the clevis.
4. Tighten the jam nut.
5. Position the adjustable pinch valve assembly on the frame of the Model A so that the bolt holes in the mounting brackets are lined up with the bolt holes in the frame.
6. Install and tighten the bolts/nuts that secure the adjustable pinch valve to frame bracket to the Model A frame.
7. Connect the air supply lines to the air fittings on the cylinder.
8. Connect the main electrical and pneumatic connections.
9. Turn the Model A on and test for proper operation. Adjust the adjustable pinch valve as needed.

7.3.15 Adjustable Fill Tube Pinch Cylinder Bar Replacement

If one of the pinch valve bars becomes worn or damaged, use these steps to replace it.

7.3.15.1 Adjustable Fill Tube Pinch Cylinder Bar Removal

1. Turn the Model A off.
2. Disconnect the main electrical and pneumatic connections.
3. Label and disconnect the air supply lines from the cylinder assembly.
4. Loosen and remove the bolts/nuts that secure the pinch support bracket to frame brackets to the frame.
5. Lift the entire adjustable pinch cylinder assembly up and away from the Model A.
6. Lay the adjustable pinch cylinder assembly on a workbench.
7. Loosen and remove the bolt/nut that secures the pinch cylinder bars to the pinch cylinder support bracket.
8. Loosen and remove the bolt/nut that secures the pinch cylinder bar to the pinch link.
9. Remove the pinch cylinder bar.

7.3.15.2 Adjustable Fill Tube Pinch Cylinder Bar Installation

1. Position the pinch cylinder bar.
2. Install and tighten the bolt/nut that secures the pinch cylinder bar to the pinch link.
3. Install and tighten the bolt/nut that secures the pinch cylinder bars to the pinch cylinder support bracket.
4. Position the adjustable pinch cylinder assembly on the frame of the Model A so that the bolt holes in the mounting brackets are lined up with the bolt holes in the frame
5. Install and tighten the bolts/nuts that secure the pinch support bracket to frame brackets to the frame.
6. Connect the air supply lines to the air fittings on the cylinder.
7. Connect the main electrical and pneumatic connections.
8. Turn the Model A on and test for proper operation. Adjust the adjustable pinch cylinder as needed.

7.3.16 Adjustable Fill Tube Pinch Cylinder Link Replacement

If one of the pinch links becomes worn or damaged, use the following steps to replace it.

7.3.16.1 Adjustable Fill Tube Pinch Cylinder Link Removal

1. Turn the Model A off.
2. Disconnect the main electrical and pneumatic connections.
3. Label and disconnect the air supply lines from the cylinder assembly.
4. Loosen and remove the bolts/nuts that secure the pinch support bracket to frame brackets to the frame.
5. Lift the entire adjustable pinch cylinder assembly up and away from the Model A.
6. Lay the adjustable pinch cylinder assembly on a workbench.
7. Loosen and remove the bolt/nut that secures the pinch cylinder bars to the cylinder clevis.
8. Loosen and remove the bolt/nut that secures the pinch cylinder bar to the pinch link.
9. Remove the pinch cylinder bar.

7.3.16.2 Adjustable Fill Tube Pinch Cylinder Link Installation

1. Position the pinch cylinder bar.
2. Install and tighten the bolt/nut that secures the pinch cylinder bar to the pinch link.
3. Install and tighten the bolt/nut that secures the pinch cylinder bars to the cylinder clevis.
4. Position the adjustable pinch cylinder assembly on the frame of the Model A so that the bolt holes in the mounting brackets are lined up with the bolt holes in the frame.
5. Install and tighten the bolts/nuts that secure the pinch support bracket to frame brackets to the frame.
6. Connect the air supply lines to the air fittings on the cylinder.
7. Connect the main electrical and pneumatic connections.
8. Turn the Model A on and test for proper operation. Adjust the adjustable pinch cylinder as needed.

7.3.17 Filter/Regulator/Lubricator (FRL) Replacement

Should one of the FRL components fail to function, replace the entire unit. Use the steps below.

7.3.17.1 Filter/Regulator/Lubricator (FRL) Removal

1. Turn the Model A off.
2. Disconnect the main electrical and pneumatic connections.
3. Disconnect the air hose from the outlet port of the lubricator.
4. Remove the fitting from the outlet port of the lubricator.
5. Remove the fitting from the inlet port of the filter.
6. Loosen the two FRL mounting bolts.
7. While holding the FRL with one hand, remove the mounting bolts and remove the FRL.

7.3.17.2 Filter/Regulator/Lubricator (FRL) Installation

1. Position the FRL so that the mounting holes in the FRL are aligned with the mounting holes on the frame of the Model A.
2. Loosely install one of the mounting bolts.
3. Install the second mounting bolt.
4. Tighten both mounting bolts.

Repair

5. Using Teflon[®] tape, wrap the threads of the new fittings for the inlet to the filter and the outlet from the lubricator. Start at the bottom of the thread and work toward the hex head in the same direction as the threads.
6. Install a fitting into the inlet of the filter.
7. Tighten the fitting.
8. Install a fitting into the outlet of the lubricator.
9. Tighten the fitting.
10. Connect the outlet hose to the outlet port on the lubricator.
11. Connect the air supply hose to the inlet port on the filter.
12. Check the FRL for leaks. Repair any leaks that are found.
13. Connect the main electrical connection.
14. Turn the Model A on and test for proper operation.

7.3.18 Air Manifold Replacement

If the air manifold becomes damaged, or develops a leak that can't be resolved, follow the steps below to replace the manifold.

7.3.18.1 Air Manifold Removal

1. Turn the Model A off.
2. Disconnect the main electrical and pneumatic connections.
3. Label and disconnect the air supply lines from the air manifold.
4. Remove the manifold mounting screws.
5. Remove the manifold.

7.3.18.2 Air Manifold Installation

1. Position the air manifold so that the mounting holes in the manifold are lined up with the mounting holes in the frame of the Model A.
2. Install and tighten the manifold mounting screws.
3. Connect the air supply lines, just as the lines were connected before.
4. Connect the main pneumatic connection.
5. Check the air supply lines at the manifold for leaks. Repair any leaks that are found.
6. Turn the Model A on and check for proper operation.

7.3.19 Lower Air Pad Air Pressure Regulator Replacement

If the lower air pad air pressure regulator develops a leak or is no longer able to regulate the pressure to the lower air pad, use the steps below to replace it.

7.3.19.1 Lower Air Pad Air Pressure Regulator Removal

1. Turn the Model A off.
2. Disconnect the main electrical and pneumatic connections.
3. Label and disconnect the air supply lines from the quick connect fittings at the regulator.
4. Loosen the setscrew that is used to retain the regulator knob.
5. Remove the regulator knob.
6. Loosen and remove the nut that is used to hold the regulator in the mounting bracket.
7. Remove the pressure regulator from the bracket.

7.3.19.2 Lower Air Pad Air Pressure Regulator Installation

1. Position the pressure regulator so that the regulator shaft and threads protrude through the mounting hole in the bracket.
2. Loosely install the nut.
3. Adjust the pressure regulator so that the gauge is positioned directly above the regulator shaft.
4. Tighten the nut.
5. Install the knob on the shaft.
6. Tighten the setscrew on the knob.
7. Connect the air supply lines to the regulator.
8. Connect the main electrical and pneumatic connections.
9. Adjust the air pressure. Refer to 7.2.2 Lower Air Pad Air Pressure Adjustment.
10. Turn the Model A on and test for proper operation.

7.3.20 Pinch Valve Regulator Replacement

If the pinch valve pressure regulator develops a leak or is no longer able to regulate the pressure to the lower air pad, use the steps below to replace it.

7.3.20.1 Pinch Valve Regulator Removal

1. Turn the Model A off.
2. Disconnect the main electrical and pneumatic connections.
3. Label and disconnect the air supply lines from the pinch valve regulator.
4. Loosen the setscrew that is used to retain the regulator knob.
5. Remove the regulator knob.
6. Loosen and remove the nut that is used to hold the regulator in the mounting bracket.
7. Remove the pressure regulator from the bracket.

7.3.20.2 Pinch Valve Regulator Installation

1. Position the pressure regulator so that the regulator shaft and threads protrude through the mounting hole in the bracket.
2. Loosely install the nut.
3. Adjust the position of the pressure regulator so that the inlet is pointing straight up.
4. Tighten the nut.
5. Install the knob on the shaft.
6. Tighten the setscrew on the knob.
7. Connect the air supply lines to the regulator.
8. Connect the main electrical and pneumatic connections.
9. Adjust the air pressure setting of the regulator. Refer to 7.2.3 Pinch Valve Air Pressure Adjustment.
10. Turn the Model A on and test for proper operation.

7.3.21 Air Supply Line Replacement

In the event that an air supply line becomes damaged and requires replacement, use the following procedures to replace the air supply line.

7.3.21.1 Air Supply Line Removal

1. Turn the Model A off.
2. Disconnect the main electrical and pneumatic connections.
3. Remove any clips and/or retainers that hold the air supply lines in place.
4. Remove the air supply line, making note of how the line is routed.
5. Measure the air supply line that was just removed.
6. Cut a new length of air supply line, making sure that the ends of the line are cut square. Cut the new line to the same length of the one that was removed.

7.3.21.2 Air Supply Line Installation

1. Route the new air supply line in the same manner as the one that was removed.
2. Insert each end of the new line into their fittings.
3. Reattach any clips and/or retainers to secure the air supply line.
4. Reconnect the main pneumatic connection and check for any leaks. If a leak is found, disconnect the main pneumatic connection and then disconnect/reconnect the air connections, then reconnect the main pneumatic connection. Repeat as necessary, until no leaks are present.
5. Reconnect the main power cord.

7.3.22 Pneumatic Quick Connect Fitting Replacement

In the event that a quick connect fitting becomes damaged and requires replacement, use the following procedures to replace the quick connect fitting.

7.3.22.1 Pneumatic Quick Connect Fitting Removal

1. Turn the Model A off.
2. Disconnect the main electrical and pneumatic connections.
3. Disconnect the air supply line from the fitting by pressing in on the collar while pulling out on the air supply line.
4. Using a wrench, unscrew the fitting.

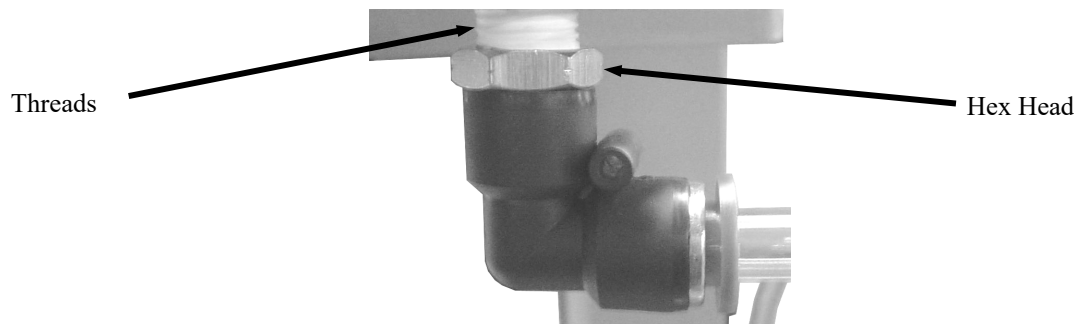


Figure 7-13. Air Supply Fitting

7.3.22.2 Pneumatic Quick Connect Fitting Installation

1. Using Teflon[®] tape, wrap the threads of the new fitting, starting at the bottom of the thread working toward the hex head in the same direction as the threads.
2. Screw the new fitting into the threads and use a wrench to carefully tighten the fitting.

**CAUTION**

Over tightening the fitting can damage the fitting, or the component that it is being threaded into.

3. Reconnect the air supply line to the fitting.
4. Reconnect the main pneumatic connection and check for any leaks. If a leak is found, disconnect the main pneumatic connection and then disconnect/reconnect the air connections, then reconnect the main pneumatic connection. Repeat as necessary, until no leaks are present.
5. Reconnect the main electrical connection.
6. Turn the Model A on and test for proper operation.

7.3.23 Gate Valve Replacement

In the event that one of the gate valves becomes damaged or worn, it must be replaced. There are two different procedures for replacing the gate valves, depending on where it is installed. Use the steps below to replace it.

7.3.23.1 Tank Gate Valve Removal

1. Turn the Model A off.
2. Disconnect the main electrical and pneumatic connections.
3. Loosen the hose clamp that is located just below the gate valve.
4. Pull down on the rubber hose until it is pulled free from the gate valve.
5. Using a large pipe wrench, loosen the gate valve.
6. Unscrew and remove the gate valve.

7.3.23.2 Tank Gate Valve Installation

1. Screw the gate valve onto the threads of the inlet pipe.
2. Use a large pipe wrench to tighten the gate valve. Make sure that the control knob for the valve is facing the right side of the machine when the installation is complete.
3. Install the rubber hose on the end of the gate valve and slide the hose into position.
4. Position the hose clamp and tighten the screw.
5. Connect the main electrical and pneumatic connections.
6. Turn the Model A on and test for proper operation.

7.3.23.3 Discharge Pipe Gate Valve Removal

1. Turn the Model A off.
2. Disconnect the main electrical and pneumatic connections.
3. Remove the muffler above the gate valve. Refer to 7.3.25 Muffler Replacement.
4. Using a large pipe wrench, loosen the gate valve.
5. Unscrew and remove the gate valve.

7.3.23.4 Discharge Pipe Gate Valve Installation

1. Screw the new gate valve onto the discharge pipe.
2. Use a large pipe wrench to tighten the gate valve. Make sure that the control knob for the valve is facing the right side of the machine when the installation is complete.
3. Install the muffler. Refer to 7.3.25 Muffler Replacement.
4. Connect the main electrical and pneumatic connections.
5. Turn the Model A on and test for proper operation.

7.3.24 Pinch Valve Liner Replacement

If one of the pinch valves develops a leak or fails to function, use the steps below to replace the liner.

7.3.24.1 Pinch Valve Liner Removal

1. Turn the Model A off.
2. Disconnect the main electrical and pneumatic connections.
3. Disconnect the outlet of the pinch valve from the any downstream components.
4. Remove any control valves that may be connected to the pinch valve assembly.
5. Remove the pinch valve assembly from the Model A and place it on a workbench.
6. Remove the four bolts around the perimeter of the pinch valve assembly.



Figure 7-14. Pinch Valve

7. Remove the end caps.

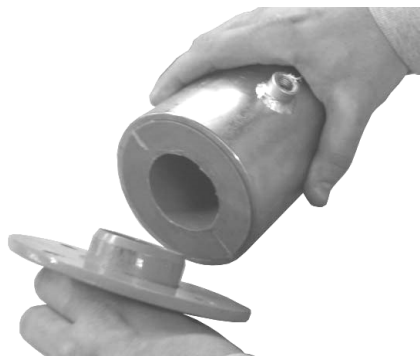


Figure 7-15. Removing the End Caps

8. Wrap the pinch valve cylinder housing in a shop towel and clamp it in a vise.



Figure 7-16. Wrap The Pinch Valve Cylinder Housing In A Shop Towel And Clamp It In A Vise

9. Insert two flat screwdrivers, or similar tools, between the housing and the pinch tube liner. One tool should be inserted on each side of the liner.



Figure 7-17. Using Screwdrivers To Squeeze The Pinch Valve Liner During Removal

10. Pull the two screwdriver handles together in the center of the opening in the housing. This will squeeze the liner.
11. Push the two screwdrivers downward to start sliding the liner out of the bottom of the housing.
12. Remove the rubber liner from the inside of the pinch valve.



Figure 7-18. Remove The Pinch Valve Liner From The Housing

7.3.24.2 Pinch Valve Liner Installation

1. Apply silicone lubricant to the lip on each end of the rubber liner. Use either Dow Corning® 111 Valve Lubricant and Sealant or JAK Dry Glide.



Figure 7-19. Application Of Silicone Lubricant to Lip Of Pinch Valve Liner

2. Slide the rubber liner into the bore of the pinch valve.



Figure 7-20. Slide The Pinch Valve Liner Into The Housing

3. Push the liner into the housing until it stops.



Figure 7-21. Push The Liner Into The Housing Until It Stops

4. Invert the housing and press down to force the liner in the rest of the way.



Figure 7-22. Invert the Housing And Press Down

5. Install the end cap on the pinch valve housing.

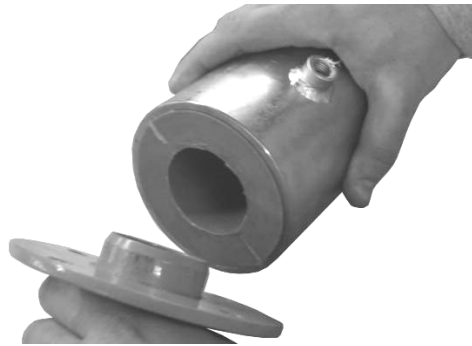


Figure 7-23. Install the End Cap

6. Install the bolts and nuts. Make sure that the nuts are tightened evenly around the perimeter. Tighten each nut a little, then move on to the next nut. Continue moving around the perimeter until all of the nuts are tight.



Figure 7-24. Install The Bolts And Nuts

7. Install the pinch valve on the air delivery pipe.
8. Install the pneumatic control valves
9. Install any downstream components.
10. Connect the main electrical and pneumatic connections.
11. Turn the Model A on and test for proper operation.

7.3.25 Muffler Replacement

If one of the mufflers fails to perform as intended, use the steps below to replace it.

7.3.25.1 Muffler Removal

1. Turn the Model A off.
2. Disconnect the main electrical and pneumatic connections.
3. Use a large pipe wrench to loosen and remove the muffler.

7.3.25.2 Muffler Installation

1. Apply plumbers thread sealant to the threads of the muffler.
2. Install and tighten the muffler.
3. Connect the main electrical and pneumatic connections.
4. Turn the Model A on and test for proper operation.

7.3.26 Fluidizer Air Pad Replacement

If one of the fluidizer air pads becomes clogged or damaged, use the steps below to remove it and install a new one.

7.3.26.1 Fluidizer Air Pad Removal

1. Make sure the hopper is completely empty. This should be done to prevent product from spilling.
2. Turn the Model A off.
3. Disconnect the main electrical and pneumatic connections.
4. Open the cleanout door on the bottom of the hopper.
5. Disconnect the air supply line from the quick connect fitting for the air pad that is going to be replaced.
6. Loosen the nut that is used to secure the air pad.
7. Remove the nut.
8. Remove the air pad and pull it out of the hopper through the cleanout door opening.

7.3.26.2 Fluidizer Air Pad Installation

1. Insert the air pad into the hopper through the cleanout door.
2. Insert the air pad air fitting through the mounting hole in the hopper.
3. Install the nut on the air pad air fitting. Loosely tighten the nut at this time.
4. Position the air pad so that it is in its operating position.
5. Tighten the air pad mounting nut.
6. Connect the air supply line to the quick connect fitting on the air pad.
7. Install the clean out door.
8. Connect the main electrical and pneumatic connections.
9. Turn the Model A on and test for proper operation.

7.3.27 Lower Air Pad Replacement

If the lower air pad becomes clogged or damaged, use the steps below to remove it and install a new one.

7.3.27.1 Lower Air Pad Replacement

1. Make sure the hopper is completely empty. This should be done to prevent product from spilling.
2. Turn the Model A off.
3. Disconnect the main electrical and pneumatic connections.
4. Open the cleanout door on the bottom of the hopper.
5. Disconnect the air supply line from the quick connect fitting for the lower air pad.
6. Loosen the nut that is used to secure the air pad.
7. Remove the nut.
8. Remove the air pad.

7.3.27.2 Lower Air Pad Installation

1. Insert the air pad air fitting through the mounting hole in the cleanout door.
2. Install the nut on the air pad air fitting. Loosely tighten the nut at this time.
3. Position the air pad so that it is in its operating position.
4. Tighten the air pad mounting nut.
5. Connect the air supply line to the quick connect fitting on the air pad.
6. Install the clean out door.
7. Connect the main electrical and pneumatic connections.
8. Turn the Model A on and test for proper operation.

7.3.28 T3000 Interface Card Replacement

If the T3000 Interface Card becomes damaged or fails to function, use the following procedures to remove it and install a new one.



ESD NOTICE

To protect against ESD damage to the T3000 Interface Card, follow Standard ESD Prevention Procedures. Failure to use recommended protective measures could result in permanent equipment damage, either immediate or latent, when handling components.

7.3.28.1 T3000 Interface Card Removal

1. Turn the Model A off and disconnect it from its power source.
2. Open the control box.
3. Label each wire for easy identification.
4. Disconnect each wire from the module.
5. While holding the module, remove the mounting screws and the module.

7.3.28.2 T3000 Interface Card Installation

1. Hold the new module in position and install the mounting screws.
2. Reconnect each wire to the module. Take care to be sure that each wire is connected to the appropriate terminal.
3. Close the control box.
4. Reconnect the Model A power cords to their respective power sources.
5. Turn the Model A on and check for proper operation.

Glossary

TERM	DEFINITION
AC	Alternating Current
Adjustable Fill Tube Pinch Cylinder	The Model A uses an adjustable fill tube pinch cylinder mechanism to restrict (dribble) or stop (cutoff) the flow of product through the fill tube.
Bagging cycle	A series of functions that describe the packaging process, from beginning to end, for one package of product.
Base frame	The portion of the machine that provides the support structure for all other components that make up the machine.
Bulk rate	The fill speed used to package the largest portion of the product. It is a fast fill speed.
Butterfly valve	This dual-purpose valve is located at the top of the hopper. When open, it allows the hopper to refill with product. When closed, it seals the hopper, allowing air pressure to build in the hopper and push the product out into the package.
Component	An item of hardware as commonly supplied complete by manufacturers.
Contact	A conducting part that co-acts with another conducting part to open or close an electrical circuit.
Counter	A device that counts the occurrence of some event.
Cubic Feet/Minute (CFM)	A unit of measure that is used to describe the amount of compressed air that is used by a machine.
DC	Direct Current
De-energize	To deprive an electro-receptive device of its operating current.
Discharge spout	A component whose primary function is to guide the product from the feed mechanism into the package.
Display	A device that gives information in visual form.
Dribble rate	The fill speed used to package the smallest portion of the product. It is a slow fill speed, as compared to the bulk rate. Also referred to as 2 nd RATE.
Dual set point (DSP)	Refers to a machine that has the capability of delivering the product at two different fill speeds.
ESD	Electrostatic Discharge
Failure	The event, or inoperable state, in which any item or part of an item does not, or would not, perform as specified.
Fill rate	A general term used to describe the speed at which the product is being fed.
Gate valve	A manual valve that is used to control how much air is directed to the hopper during the fill cycle.
Ground	A conducting connection, whether intentional or accidental, between an electrical circuit or equipment and the earth, or some other conducting body at a reference potential.
h, HR	Hour
I/O	Input/Output
IN, in.	Inch, Inches
Jog	The function of adding a small amount of product to a package that ended up being underweight at the end of the bagging cycle.
kg	kilogram
Lag bolt	Used to attach equipment to a pallet during shipping.
lb or lbs	Pound or pounds
LCD	Liquid Crystal Display

Glossary

TERM	DEFINITION
LED	Light Emitting Diode. Used as status indicator for many types of equipment (processors, power supplies, I/O modules, modems, etc).
Load cell	An electronic device that is used to monitor the weight of the product that is being packaged.
MAC valve	An electrically controlled pneumatic valve that is used for controlling various pneumatic cylinders. The valves apply air pressure to the cylinders causing them to either open or close.
Module	Assembly of components, which function as a unit and can be replaced as a unit.
OPC	OLE for Process Control
Pounds per Square Inch (PSI)	Unit of measured used to describe air pressure.
Pinch valve	Used to control the flow of blower air. The pinch valves are closed using plant air (supplied by an air compressor).
POWER ON Indicator	A lamp that will illuminate when power has been turned on.
Power supply	A device that converts available power to a form that a system can use — usually converts AC power to DC power.
Processor	The decision-making and data storage sections of a programmable controller or computer.
Product	A type or a category of manufactured goods, constructions, installations, and natural and processed materials or those associated services whose characterization, classification, or functional performance determination is specified by standards.
Reaction Time	The time used by equipment, operator, or both, that elapses between the moments an action is called for and when the desired result occurs.
Refrigerated Air Dryer	A device that is uses a refrigeration unit to remove moisture from a compressed air supply. This is done to reduce corrosion and contamination of the pneumatic equipment.
Relay	An electromagnetic device that is operated by a variation in the conditions of one electric circuit, to effect the operation of other devices in the same or another electric circuit.
RS-232	An EIA standard that specifies electrical, mechanical, and functional characteristics for serial binary communication circuits. A single-ended serial communication interface.
Set point	A control setting that is used to define a transition point in the fill process. It can be a point when a change in fill rate occurs, or when the machine stops filling all together.
Set Point 1 (SP1)	The control setting that defines where the bulk feed rate is to stop.
Set Point 2 (SP2)	The control setting that defines where the dribble rate stops. Is typically slightly lower than target weight.
Shipping bracket	A piece of metal that is used to secure the weighing apparatus to the base frame during shipping to prevent damage to the weighing apparatus.
Single set point (SSP)	Refers to a machine that has the capability of delivering the product at a single fill speeds.
STOP button/indicator	Used by the operator to immediately stop the machine. This large red button illuminates when the stop button has been pressed. To restart the machine the button is pulled out.
Surge	A sudden rise of current or voltage.
Surge Hopper	A reservoir for the product before it reaches the feed device.
T3000	An optional electronic control device that was jointly developed by Magnum Systems and Hardy Instruments.
T4000	The standard electronic control device that was jointly developed by Magnum Systems and Hardy Instruments.
Target weight	The desired package weight.
VAC	Volt, alternating current

TERM	DEFINITION
Valve bag	Type of bag that uses a valve opening to insert product.
VDC	Volt, direct current
Water separator	A device that is installed in a compressed air supply line to remove excess moisture from the air supply. This is done to reduce corrosion and contamination of the pneumatic equipment.
Weighment	One charge or fill of a packaging machine.
Weight display	The electronic panel on the T4000 and T3000 control panels that is used to display package weights and to set package parameters.
Wing	A swing out panel that is used for mounting control boxes on either side of the machine.

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Appendix A

Safety Procedures, Cautions, Warnings, and Notices

- General safety precautions must be observed during all phases of operation, service and repair of the Model A. Failure to comply with these precautions or with specific warnings elsewhere in this manual violates safety standards of design, manufacture and intended use of the Model A.
- The manufacturer assumes no liability for customer's failure to comply with the following requirements:
- Qualified technicians and maintenance personnel should service the equipment described in this manual.
- Do not attempt internal service or adjustments unless another person, capable of rendering first aid and resuscitation, is available.
- Do not substitute parts or modify equipment. This practice could, in some cases, introduce the danger of additional hazards
- The Model A contains some electrostatic-sensitive components. Therefore, always ground yourself with a proper wrist strap before handling any modules or printed circuit boards so that static charges are removed from the person. Use static suppressive packaging to protect electronic assemblies removed from the Model A.
- Observe all procedural cautions and warnings located on the equipment and throughout this manual.
- Read and follow all instructions
- Follow all warnings and instructions marked on the units and listed in manuals.

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Appendix B Spare Parts

Table B-1. Model A Spare Parts List

	Part Description	Part Number
1	Upper flex leaf	60-0037
2	Lower flex leaf	60-0038
3	Load cell (200 lb.)	50-1549
4	Gum rubber hose	50-1530
5	Bag clamp cylinder	50-1159
6	Bag clamp pad	50-7440
7	Air pad assembly – stainless steel (optional to machine)	50-1194
8	Air pad assembly – steel	50-1177
9	Blower filter elements	N/A
10	Pinch tube insert	50-7432
11	Upper air pads pinch tube	50-7433
12	Pinch tube sleeve – ¾-inch	53-0416
13	Air pad precision regulator	50-1702
14	Pinch tube air pilot timer	50-1588
15	MAC valve timer – start delay timer	50-1672
16	MAC valve timer – vent delay timer	50-1850
17	Solenoid – pinch tube exhaust	50-1427
18	Solenoid – pinch tube air pad	50-1060
19	MAC solenoid valve	50-1673
20	MAC solenoid valve	50-1729
21	Kicker cylinder	50-1160
22	Butterfly valve with actuator (Feb 2004)	50-7628
23	Flow control meter in ¼ X ¼	50-4885
24	MAC mechanically actuated valve	50-1906
25	Potentiometer	50-1721
26	Centerline valve seat – 10-inch	50-0558
27	Special trd pinch cylinder	50-7690
28	V-pinch clevis 303 – stainless steel	50-7691
29	V-pinch support bracket	60-3634
30	V-pinch support bracket	60-4056
31	V-pinch main frame	60-4054
32	5/16-inch – 18 X 2-inch bolt (special)	60-4055
33	V-pinch bars	60-4044
34	V-pinch link	60-4046
35	V-pinch shield	60-4053

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Appendix C

Mechanical Drawings

Table C-1. Model A Mechanical Drawing List

	Drawing Title	Drawing Number
1	Control Box With T4000	N/A
2	Control Box With T4000 – Internal Components	N/A
3	Control Box With T3000	N/A
4	Control Box With T3000 – Internal Components	N/A
5	Model A – Isometric – Exploded View	Airpackerexploded-05.dwg
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Table D-1. Model A Electrical Drawing List

	Drawing Title	Drawing Number
1	Electrical Schematics With T3000	N/A
2	Electrical Schematics With T4000	N/A
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Appendix E

Control Panel User Guide

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This unit was ordered with the base T4000 control set, thus the T3000 Control Panel User Guide is not needed and not included.

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Appendix F

Custom Features

The documents included in Appendix F will provide information regarding any custom features that were ordered and included in the equipment purchase.

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The equipment that accompanies this manual was not ordered with any custom features, thus no custom documentation is included.

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