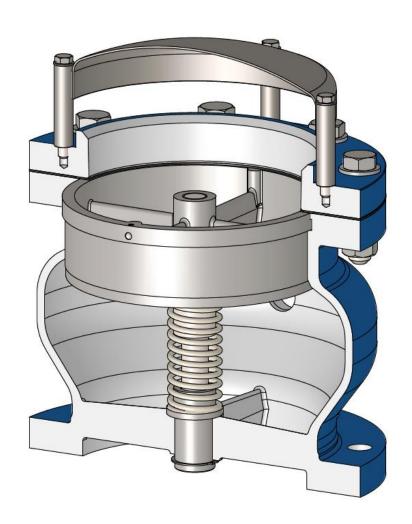


# APCO AVR-1500A/1500AC VACUUM RELIEF/AIR INLET VALVES



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#### Instructions

These instructions are for use by personnel who are responsible for the installation, operation and maintenance of DeZURIK valves, actuators or accessories.

### Safety Messages

All safety messages in the instructions are identified by a general warning sign and the signal word CAUTION, WARNING or DANGER. These messages indicate procedures to avoid injury or death.

Safety label(s) on the product indicate hazards that can cause injury or death. If a safety label becomes difficult to see or read, or if a label has been removed, please contact DeZURIK for replacement label(s).

#### **▲**WARNING

Personnel involved in the installation or maintenance of valves should be constantly alert to potential emission of pipeline material and take appropriate safety precautions. Always wear suitable protection when dealing with hazardous pipeline materials. Handle valves which have been removed from service with suitable protection for any potential pipeline material in the valve.

### Inspection

Your DeZURIK product has been packaged to provide protection during shipment; however, items can be damaged in transport. Carefully inspect the unit for damage upon arrival and file a claim with the carrier if damage is apparent.

#### **Parts**

Replaceable wear parts are listed on the assembly drawing. These parts can be stocked to minimize downtime. Order parts from your local DeZURIK sales representative or directly from DeZURIK. When ordering parts please provide the following information:

If the valve has a data plate: please include the 7-digit part number with either 4-digit revision number (example: 9999999R000) or 8-digit serial number (example: S1900001) whichever is applicable. The data plate will be attached to the valve assembly. Also, include the part name, the assembly drawing number, the balloon number and the quantity stated on the assembly drawing.

If there isn't any data plate visible on the valve: please include valve model number, part name, and item number from the assembly drawing. You may contact your local DeZURIK Representative to help you identify your valve.

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### **Description**

The Vacuum Relief/Air Inlet Valve is normally closed. Should the system pressure become negative, it will immediately admit air into the system and prevent a vacuum from forming. When system pressure returns to positive, the Vacuum Relief/Air Inlet Valve closes air tight. Standard Vacuum Relief/Air Inlet Valves are designed to open with a nominal ¼ PSI pressure differential across the orifice.

### **Handling and Storage**

Lifting the valve improperly may damage it. Do not fasten lifting devices to piping or attached components. Lift the valve with slings, chains or cables fastened around the valve body, or fastened to bolts or rods through bolt holes in the flanges.

If installation will be delayed, refer to Form 1454 – Recommended Long & Short-Term Storage Procedures.

#### Installation

Vacuum Relief/Air Inlet Valves are normally installed at high points on a pipeline or a tank or level points where vacuum could occur due to water column separation. This vacuum may cause the pipeline or tank to collapse, or cause water column separation to take place resulting in water hammer (pressure surge) when the water column rejoins.

- Before installation, remove foreign material such as weld spatter, oil, grease, and dirt from the pipeline.
- Prepare pipe ends and install valves in accordance with the pipe manufacturer's instructions for the joint used.

#### **NOTICE**

Do not deflect the pipe-valve joint. Minimize bending stresses in the valve end connection with pipe loading.

Tighten the flange bolts or stude in a crisecrose pattern and minimum of four stages.

### **Fusion Bonded Epoxy Coated Valves**

#### NOTICE

Valves with optional fusion bonded epoxy coated exterior require flat washers to be installed under the flange nuts when installing the valve to the pipeline flange. This is to prevent the coating from cracking or chipping.

#### **Maintenance**

The APCO AVR-1500A Vacuum Relief/Air Inlet Valve is automatic in operation and requires little or no maintenance. It is recommended that it be checked visually semi-annually for leakage. A malfunction of the valve can be identified by seepage of the media through the exhaust port. If a malfunction occurs, the following steps should be taken to repair the valve:

### Disassembly Procedure (AVR-1500A Valves)

See Figure 2 for part identification.

#### **▲**WARNING

Servicing the Air Valve while the pipeline is under pressure can cause personal injury or equipment damage. Relieve pipeline pressure or shut off isolation valve before servicing the Air Valve.

- 1. Relieve pipeline pressure or shut off isolation valve before servicing.
- 2. Depress plug (S03) or loosen flange screws (S21) to relieve internal pressure. Do not completely remove flange (S25) while the valve is under pressure.
- 3. Remove hood (S23), flange (S25), and gasket (S19).
- 4. Loosen seat retaining screw (S07), located on the face of seat (S02). Push down plug (S03), to compress spring (S04), then release plug to loosen seat.

#### **▲**WARNING

This vessel contains a compressed spring; the potential for personal injury exists during disassembly. For safe disassembly, follow these instructions carefully. Keep extremities clear of any pinch points.

- 5. Remove plug (S03), spring (S04), bushing retaining ring (S11) and bushing (S05) from body (S01).
- 6. Check that resilient seal (S08) in seat (S02) is not damaged.
- 7. Clean all surfaces before re-assembly. Replace all defective parts.

### Assembly Procedure (AVR-1500A Valves)

- 1. Install the parts inside the body (S01) in the following order:
  - a. Bushing (S05) into central bore of body (S01). Secure with bushing retaining ring (S11).
  - b. Spring (S04) centering on the bushing (S05). If conical spring, smaller diameter of spring should fit the outside diameter of bushing.
  - c. Plug (S03) with the concave side facing upward.
  - d. Seat retaining balls (S06) into the outside diameter of the seat (S02). Hold the seat (S02) down flush with the flange face and install seat retaining screws (S07). Tighten seat retaining screw (S07) when flush with flange face.
- 2. If gasket (S19) is damaged, install new gasket.
- 3. Install flange (S25) and hood assembly (S23).
- 4. If valve was removed from pipeline, place valve in pipeline, and open isolation valve on inlet to Air Valve. Valve is now back in service.

#### Maintenance (Continued)

#### Disassembly Procedure (AVR-1500AC Valves)

See Figure 5, 6, or 7 for part identification dependent on Air Release Valve model.

#### Air Release Valve (Model 50A, 200 or 200A)

#### **▲**WARNING

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#### **▲**WARNING

Do not completely remove pipe plug or cover screws while the valve is under pressure.

- 3. Loosen pipe plug (R15 if applicable) or cover screws (R04) to allow internal pressure to escape.
- 4. Remove cover screws (R04) and cover (R02). All internals are attached to cover.
- 5. If cover gasket (R03) is torn or damaged, replace with new gasket. Clean flange surfaces of cover (R02) and body (R01).
- 6. Inspect sealing surface of needle (R07) and seat (R06) for nicks, wear or sediment coating from chemicals in the media.
- 7. Clean or replace needle (R07) and seat (R06).
- 8. Inspect float (R14 or R10) to ensure that it is not damaged or that it does not have liquid in it.
- 9. Inspect all connections of linkage for excessive wear.

#### Vacuum Relief/Air Inlet Valve (Model 1500A)

10. Follow steps in the "Disassembly Procedure (AVR-1500A Valves)" section to disassemble the Vacuum Relief/Air Inlet Valve components.

### Assembly Procedure (AVR-1500AC Valves)

See Figure 5, 6, or 7 for part identification dependent on Air Release Valve model.

#### Vacuum Relief/Air Inlet Valve (Model 1500AC)

1. Follow steps in the "Assembly Procedure (AVR-1500A Valves)" section to assemble the Vacuum Relief/Air Inlet Valve components.

#### Air Release Valve (Model 50, 200 or 200A)

- 2. Assemble cover (R02) to body (R01), installing new gasket (R03) if necessary. Tighten cover screws (R04) opposite each other in rotation.
- 3. Tighten pipe plug (R15) if applicable.
- 4. If valve was removed from pipeline, place valve in pipeline, and open isolation valve on inlet to Air Valve. Valve is now back in service.

### **Operation**

The Vacuum Relief/Air Inlet Valve is a normally closed valve. Should the system pressure become negative, the valve will immediately open and admit air into the system preventing a vacuum from forming. When system pressure returns to positive, the Vacuum Relief/Air Inlet Valve closes air tight. Standard Vacuum Relief/Air Inlet Valves are designed to open with a nominal ½ psi (1.7 kPa) pressure differential across the orifice.

### **Drawings**

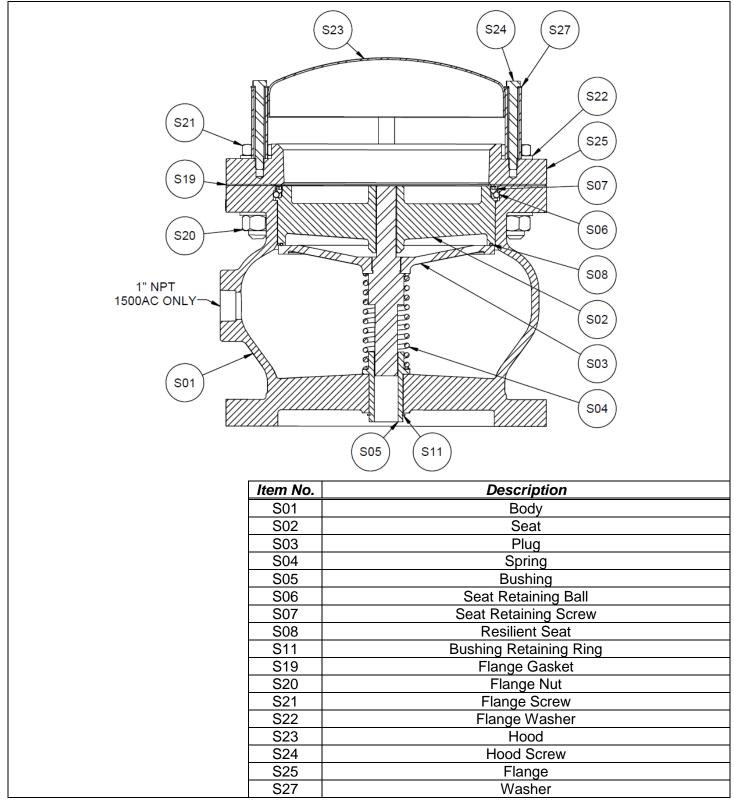


Figure 1: AVR-1500A Valve Components

### Drawings (Continued)

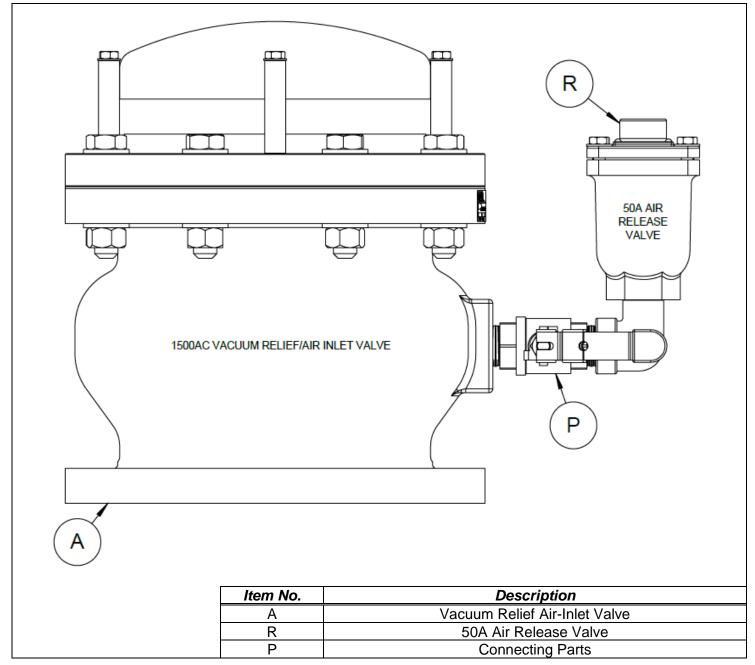


Figure 2: AVR-1500AC equipped with 50A Air Release Valve, Valve Components

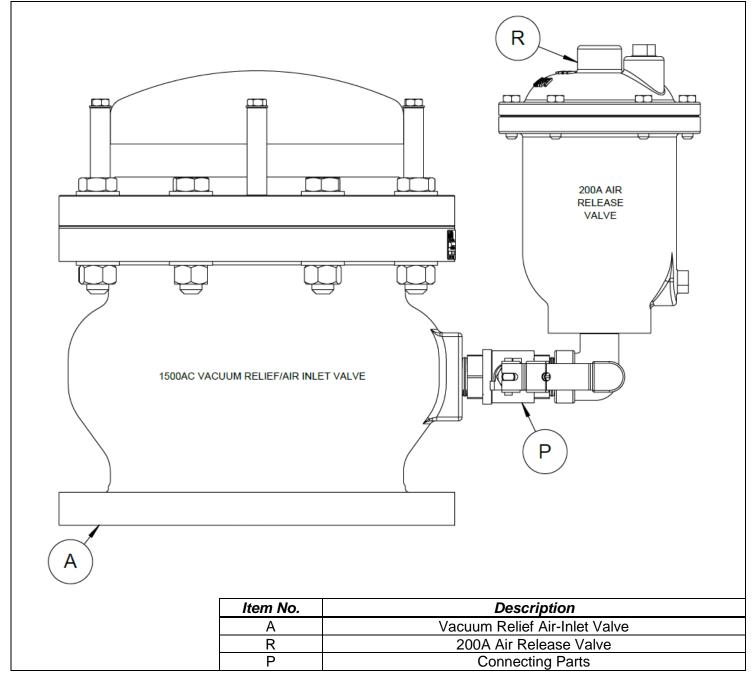


Figure 3: AVR-1500AC equipped with 200A Air Release Valve, Valve Components

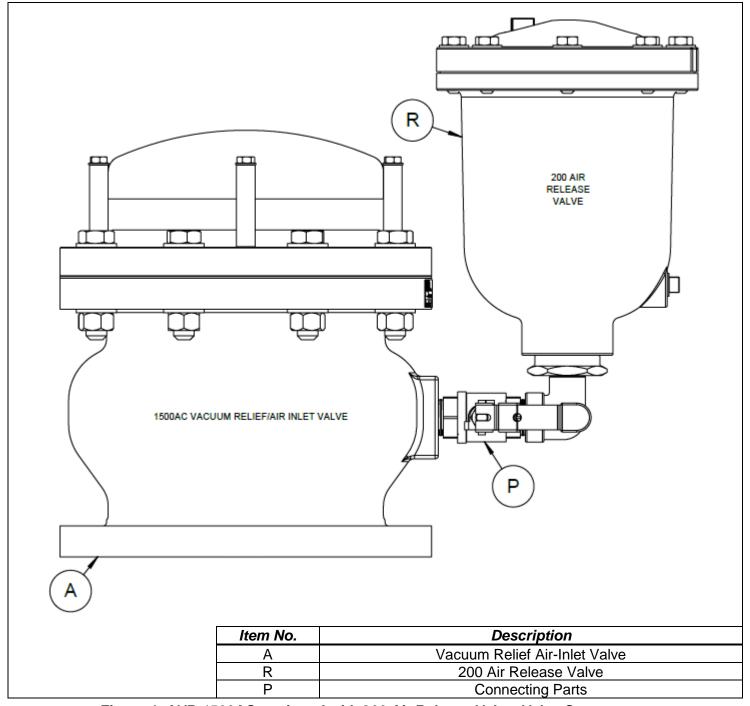
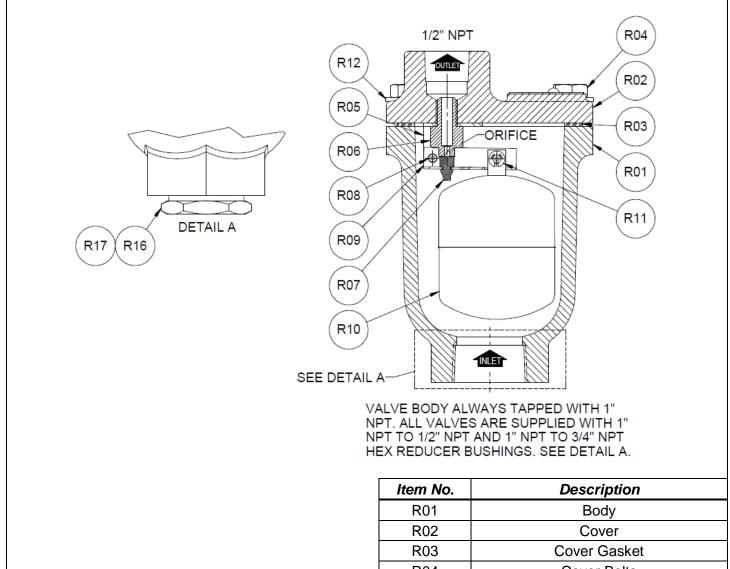
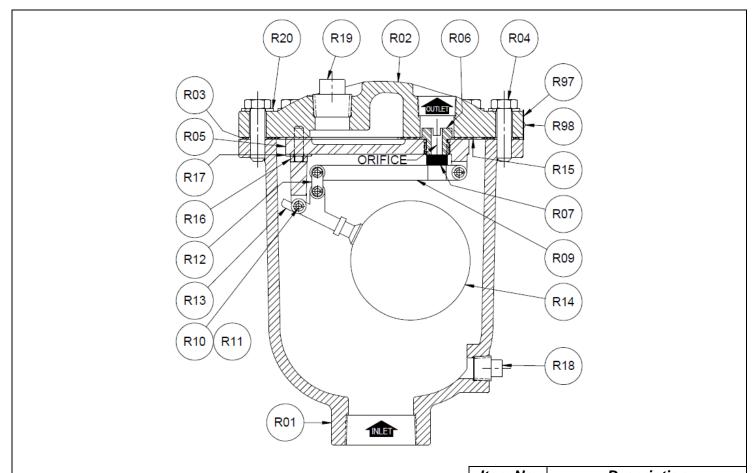


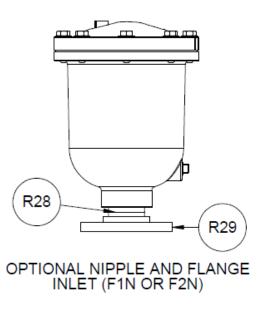
Figure 4: AVR-1500AC equipped with 200 Air Release Valve, Valve Components



**Cover Bolts** R04 Lever Frame **R05** R06 Seat **R07** Needle Lever Pin **R08** Float Lever R09 R10 Float R11 Pin Retainer Washer (Epoxy/FBE Coating Only R12 R16 1" NPT to 3/4" NPT Reducer 1" NPT to 1/2" NPT Reducer R17

Figure 5: 50A Air Release Valve Components





Item No.	Description	
R01	Body	
R02	Cover	
R03	Cover Gasket	
R04	Cover Bolts	
R05	Leverage Frame	
R06	Seat	
R07	Needle	
R09	Needle Lever	
R10	Lever Pin	
R11	Retaining Ring/Cotter Pin	
R12	Connecting Link	
R13	Float Lever	
R14	Float	
R15	Leverage Frame Gasket	
R16	Leverage Frame Screw	
R17	Leverage Frame Washer	
R18	1/2" NPT Drain Pipe Plug	
R19	1" NPT Pipe Plug	
R20	SAE Flat Washer	
R28	Nipple (F1N and F2N Only)	
R29	Flange (F1N and F2N Only)	

Figure 6: 200 Air Release Valve Components

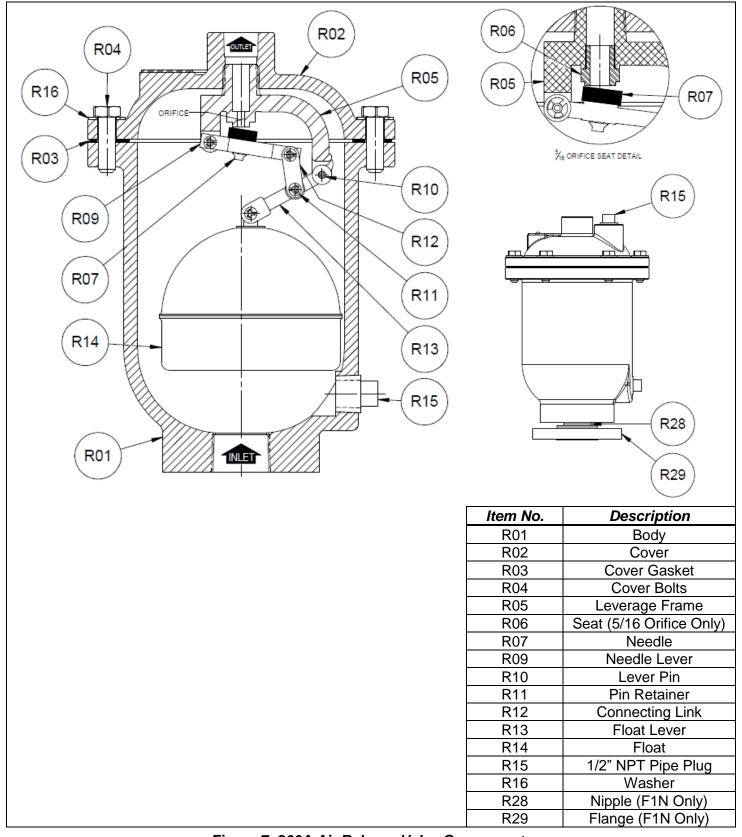


Figure 7: 200A Air Release Valve Components

## **Troubleshooting**

Condition	Possible Cause	Corrective Action
Valve leaks at flange joint.	Loose flange bolting.	Tighten flange bolting.
	Blown flange gasket.	Replace flange gasket.
	Misalignment or damage to field piping and supports.	Adjust miss-alignment or repair piping or supports.
	Damaged flange face/s or improper flange connections.	Repair flange, replace valve body or adjust flange connections.
Valve leaks out of Outlet port.	Dirty seat and/or float.	Clean seat and/or float.
	Worn seat and/or float.	Replace seat and/or float.
	Line pressure is under 10 psi (69 kPa).	Replace seat with softer seat.
	Float linkage is dirty.	Clean float linkage.

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