WILLAMETTE VBL-2600
BALL VALVES

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Instructions
These instructions provide installation, operation and maintenance information for Willamette VBL-2600 Ball Valves. They are for use by personnel who are responsible for installation, operation and maintenance of Willamette VBL-2600 Ball Valves.

Safety Messages
All safety messages in the instructions are flagged with an exclamation symbol and the word Caution, Warning or Danger. These messages indicate procedures that must be followed exactly to avoid equipment damage, personal injury or death. Safety label(s) on the product indicate hazards that can cause equipment damage, personal injury or death.

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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 Willamette VBL-2600 Ball Valve has been packaged to provide protection during shipment; however, it 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
Recommended spare parts are listed on the assembly drawing. These parts should be stocked to minimize downtime. Order parts from your local DeZURIK sales representative, or directly from DeZURIK. When ordering parts please choose from the following:

If the valve has a DeZURIK APCO nameplate please include the 7-digit part number and 4-digit revision number (example: 9999999R000) located on the data plate 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 nameplate visible on the valve, please include Valve Model number, the part name, and item number from the assembly drawing. You may contact your local DeZURIK APCO Representative to help you identify your valve.

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Description (Metal Seated Valves)

General

The Willamette VBL-2600 Ball Valve is a plug type, quarter-turn valve with a full-ported circular waterway through the body and ball plug in the open position. Each ball valve consists of four (4) main elements: A pressure vessel (body), a rotatable closing element (ball), a torque unit, and an operator. The "Standard" materials of construction for the body and ball are ductile iron (Ball valve construction is in complete accordance with AWWA standard C507-11 for ball valves 6-inches through 60-inches with metal seats per section 4.2.2.2.

Body

The "Standard" body has ANSI B16.1 CL125 or CL250 flanges and houses the ball. The body has integrally cast trunnions and provides rigid means for supporting the torque unit (without the necessity of additional supports). There are two (2) pipe connections, one for an air vent and the other for drain. The body has rigidly attached corrosion resistant metal seat(s). Maximum seat bearing pressure does not exceed 1,000 lbs/sq inch.

Ball

The ball has bronze bushed trunnions. An extension of one trunnion, called the operating shaft, passes through a sealing device (O-ring retainer) and connects to the torque unit. The operating shaft is stainless steel. The sealing device is capable of being removed and having its seals replaced without removing the valve from the line.

The ball has corrosion resistant metal seat(s) rigidly attached and fully adjustable to provide drop-tight sealing in one direction or both directions, as an option. The ball shaft is designed for a factor of safety for all combined stresses of at least five to one. Maximum deflection does not exceed 1/6 degree per foot of unsupported length using a seat coefficient of friction of 0.5 and a bearing coefficient of friction of 0.3.

Torque Unit (Valve Operating Mechanism)

The torque unit employs a traveling crosshead to impart positive rotary movement to the ball by means of a link and lever connected to the ball shaft. A ball shaft support bearing is supplied on the cover. The torque unit is designed such that during the first 50 percent of stroke in closing, the flow area is reduced by approximately 81 percent. The remaining flow area is gradually reduced to a complete shutoff throughout the last 50 percent of closing stroke. All materials of the torque unit subject to rubbing are of different hardness. The torque unit is capable of being inspected, lubricated, removed and repaired without removing the valve from the pipeline.

Handling and Storage

Lifting the valve improperly may damage it. Do not fasten lifting devices to the actuator, ball or through the seat opening in the body. 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, place valve indoors in secure, weather tight storage. If temporary outside storage is unavoidable, make sure a vermin proof rain cover (water shedding tarp, etc.) is secured around/over the equipment to keep off rain and mud. Skid and set the assembly on a flat, solid, and well drained surface for protection from ground moisture, runoff and pooled rain water.
Installation

- Before starting installation, the contractor must have an approved drawing showing the side of the line on which the operator is to be installed.
- 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 manufacture’s instructions for the joint used.

⚠️ CAUTION!

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

If excessive seat leakage occurs during start-up, recheck the installation and eliminate any distortion to the valve body.

- Ensure the valve and pipeline flanges are concentric to ensure proper flange sealing and seat leakage control.
- Tighten the flange bolts or studs in a crisscross pattern and minimum of four stages.
- Do not anchor support legs or pads of the valve. The integral valve supports are intended to support the weight of the valve and actuator only. The connecting piping must be self-supporting and a flexible connector be installed on the valve's seat side.
- A single seated valve will seal in only one direction. The seating surfaces are on the downstream or lower pressure side of the closed valve. Higher upstream, pressure in the valve body cavity of a closed valve pushes the ball towards the downstream body seat. The flexible metal ball seat provides a tight seal with the body seat. On a double seated valve, the upstream seat surfaces are not in contact and do not seal.
- Pump stop and check service is a normal pumping condition. Single seated valves should be used for this service where possible with the seat on the pump side of the valve.

Fusion/Powder Coated Valves

⚠️ CAUTION!

Valves with fusion/powder coated exterior paint require flat washers to be installed under the flange nuts when installing the valve to the pipeline flange to prevent the paint from cracking or chipping.
Maintenance and Operation

All valves should be stored in the closed position and should remain closed until they are installed in the line. The valve should only be opened or closed using the supplied actuator. Do not use any other manual or mechanical means to open or close the valve. **If the ball does not rotate freely – see troubleshooting section.** When the valve is bolted into the line, the bolts should be retightened after the first week of in-line service. Periodically check the bolting connecting the operator support brackets to the valve body.

Operator

All bearings and moving parts are carefully lubricated during assembly, and for normal service should give years of trouble free operation without further maintenance.

Basic Valve and Torque Unit

The basic ball valve is equipped with water lubricated trunnion bearings and requires no maintenance. The torque unit is lubricated at assembly and for normal service gives years of trouble free maintenance.

Shaft Seal Replacement (Closed Position)

The operating shaft of the valve is equipped with O-Ring seals. The O-Rings may be replaced while the valve is installed. The procedure for replacing rings in the closed position is as follows:

1. Relieve the pressure in the pipeline and close the valve.
2. Drain oil, if any from the torque unit housing and remove indicator and cover.
3. Tighten up the plug adjusting screw by turning it ½ turn maximum, pushing the ball against the thrust washers. This accomplishes two things: It seals leakage and it locks the ball in position.
4. Remove link pin.
5. Run crosshead to top of stroke in order to get links out of the way.

**WARNING!**

Servicing the valve while the pipeline is under pressure can cause personal injury or equipment damage. Relieve pipeline pressure before servicing the valve.

6. If the actuator is powered, disconnect and lock out the pneumatic, hydraulic, or electrical power to prevent accidental operation of the actuator.
7. Loosen clamp bolts in lever and remove lever from operating shaft. Carefully de-burr sharp edges of dowel pin hole in shaft and all other surfaces over which O-rings will pass during disassembly and assembly.

**WARNING!**

Accidental operation of power actuator can cause personal injury or equipment damage. Disconnect and lock out power to actuator before servicing.
Maintenance and Operation (Continued)

8. Remove lock ring from housing and retract O-ring retainer.
9. Install new O-rings, re-insert O-ring retainer and lock ring and re-install lever.
10. After lever is reinstalled; connect power to the actuator, run crosshead back to closed position making sure that all mechanisms are in proper alignment.
11. Replace link pin cotters (if used) and be sure to brad over.
12. Release adjusting screw just enough so that the ball can turn freely and retighten sealing and locknut on plug adjusting screw.

Shaft Seal Replacement (Open Position)

The valve can be packed in the open position using the following procedure:

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Servicing the valve while the pipeline is under pressure can cause personal injury or equipment damage. Relieve pipeline pressure before servicing the valve.

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1. Relieve the pressure in the pipeline.
2. Drain oil, if any from the torque unit housing and remove indicator and cover.
3. Tighten up the plug adjusting screw by turning it ½ turn maximum, pushing the ball against the thrust washers.
4. Loosen the clamp bolts in lever and remove key, or dowel.
5. Run crosshead down to closed position.
6. Remove link pin.
7. Run crosshead back to top of stroke in order to get links out of way.

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8. If the actuator is powered, disconnect and lock out the pneumatic, hydraulic, or electrical power to prevent accidental operation of the actuator.
9. Remove lever from operating shaft. Carefully de-burr sharp edges of dowel pin hole in shaft and all other surfaces over which O-rings will pass during assembly and disassembly.
10. Remove lock ring and O-ring retainer and install new O-rings using same procedure as described in repacking valve in closed position.
11. Re-install lever, connect power to the actuator, run cross head back to closed position and reconnect links. Replace link pin cotter (if used) and be sure to brad over.
12. Run complete operating mechanism back up to open position, rekey and tighten up clamp bolts on lever, making sure that all of the operating mechanisms are properly aligned.

13. Release adjusting screw just enough so that ball can turn freely and retighten sealing and locknut on plug adjusting screw.

**Lubrication**

**General**

Trunnion bronze bushings receive a significant amount of water lubrication from the media itself. For those ball valves equipped with grease fitting lubrication points on the body assembly – each lubrication point should be greased with a hand-pump gun (Caution! do not use air-operated grease guns). Use one of the approved lubricants from Table A.

### Table A: Approved Lubricants

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<tr>
<th>Manufacture</th>
<th>Type</th>
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<tr>
<td>Mobil</td>
<td>Mobilgrease FM221</td>
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<td>Fiske Brothers</td>
<td>Lubriplate #110</td>
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<td>Lubriplate #130A</td>
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<td>Richfield</td>
<td>Rocolub #1</td>
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<td>Shell</td>
<td>Alvania #1</td>
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<td>Texaco</td>
<td>Marfak #1</td>
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<td>Stewart Warner Co.</td>
<td>Alernite Temprite #1</td>
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<tr>
<td>Standard Oil Co., (Ind)</td>
<td>Stanolith Grease #42</td>
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**Ball Valve**

Lubricate twice annually (more often if valve is operated frequently or in harsh duty conditions) using one of the approved lubricants from Table A. Use approximately 4 ounces of grease per bushing per re-lubrication event. Check with the factory in the event that a special application prevents the use of the approved lubricants.

**Torque Unit**

Lubricate twice annually (more often if valve is operated frequently) or any time the cover is removed. Wipe out old lubricant and replace with new lubricant using one of the lubricants from Table A. Spread lubricant on the crosshead side members; crosshead guides, leadscrews, all rotating and sliding areas, bearings, exposed steel or cast iron machined parts, etc. See Table B for recommended amount of lubricant for the various size units.

### Table B: Torque Unit Lubrication Requirements

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<tr>
<th>Unit Size</th>
<th>Amount of Lubricant (lbs.)</th>
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<tr>
<td>T-3000</td>
<td>2 ½</td>
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<td>T-2000 &amp; T-1100</td>
<td>2</td>
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<tr>
<td>T-578 &amp; T-315</td>
<td>1 ½</td>
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<td>T-176, T-70 &amp; T-22</td>
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Lubrication (Continued)

If a hydraulic cylinder is provided, Table C shows the recommended hydraulic fluids.

Table C: Hydraulic Fluids

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<th>Manufacturer</th>
<th>Hydraulic Fluid</th>
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<tr>
<td>Atlantic-Richfield Co.</td>
<td>Duro AWS-150</td>
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<td>Shell</td>
<td>Tellus #32</td>
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<td>Standard of California</td>
<td>Chevron EP-9</td>
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<td>Texaco</td>
<td>Rando HD-A</td>
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<td>Mobil</td>
<td>DTE 24</td>
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<td>Castrol</td>
<td>Hyspin AW32</td>
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Power Supply for Operating Valves

It is essential that a continuous and reliable source of power, whether it be liquid, gas, or electrical be provided for operating the valve. The line which conveys the power to the controls must be of ample size so that sufficient pressure and volume can be delivered directly to the power port of the controls. The differential pressure between the top and bottom of the piston in the actuating cylinder causes the piston rod to move. It is essential that both the power and exhaust line be of ample size to provide adequate speed.

The power source must be suitable for cylinder use. Use of a filter or strainer where needed is recommended. In the case of air, a continuous and reliable source of filtered air is required to operate the cylinder. The air should be clean and reasonably dry (free from moisture). A lubricator may be used, if desired for maximum cylinder life. Locate the lubricator as close to the control supply port as practical. Avoid excessive oil flow settings which flood the components with oil. Reduce settings if oil coalesces (form pools in the bottom of the lines) or drips from the exhaust port. Carefully evaluate the need for lubrication prior to installing a lubricator. Most valve installations do not require an exceptional number of cylinder cycles and the factory pre-lubrication will provide years of service without a lubricator.

CAUTION!

Many valve positioners, transducers, and other special controls require that instrument quality, dry, oil free air is used. Check all special controls for compatibility with lubricated air prior to its use.
## Troubleshooting

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<th>Possible Cause</th>
<th>Corrective Action</th>
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<td>Shaft seal leaks.</td>
<td>O-ring is worn.</td>
<td>Replace O-ring.</td>
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<td>Valve leaks excessively from one side of the ball to the other.</td>
<td>Foreign matter caught between seats</td>
<td>Fully open valve to remove object.</td>
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<td>Closed position stop is set incorrectly.</td>
<td>Adjust closed position stop.</td>
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<td>Valve body is distorted.</td>
<td>Remove stress to valve body.</td>
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<td>Loss of media’s seating pressure.</td>
<td>Apply media pressure.</td>
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<td>Seat is worn or damaged.</td>
<td>Repair seat or replace valve.</td>
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<td>Valve leaks at flange joint.</td>
<td>Loose flange bolting.</td>
<td>Tighten flange bolting.</td>
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<td>Blown flange gasket.</td>
<td>Replace flange gasket.</td>
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<td>Miss-alignment or damage to field piping and supports.</td>
<td>Adjust miss-alignment or repair piping or supports.</td>
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<td>Damaged flange face/s or improper flange connections.</td>
<td>Repair flange, replace valve body or adjust flange connections.</td>
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<td>Valve does not fully close.</td>
<td>Object is wedged between seat and ball.</td>
<td>Fully open valve to remove object.</td>
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<td>Closed position stop is not set correctly.</td>
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<td>Valve does not fully open.</td>
<td>Open position stop is not adjusted correctly.</td>
<td>Adjust open position stop.</td>
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<tr>
<td>Valve fails to operate from open to close position or from closed to open.</td>
<td>Object is wedged between seat and ball.</td>
<td>Fully open or close valve to remove object.</td>
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<td>Torque unit low on lubricant.</td>
<td>Add lubricant.</td>
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<td>Torque unit component failure.</td>
<td>Repair or replace torque unit.</td>
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<td>Actuator component failure.</td>
<td>Repair or replace actuator.</td>
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