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Gilflo 'B' Flowmeter Pipeline Unit

Description

The Gilflo 'B' flowmeter is installed in the pipeline and produces a differential pressure which is related to the rate of flow. It can be used with most industrial fluids, gases and both saturated and superheated steam.

Sizes and pipe connections

DN50*, DN80, DN100, DN150, DN200, DN250, DN300 and DN400 Flanges available to EN 1092 PN40* and ASME B 16.5 class 300.

*Note - DN50 flowmeter: flanges on the PN40 are thicker (to ASME 300, 22.2 mm) to accommodate pressure tappings. On the DN400 flowmeter, the pressure tappings are on the body.



When used in conjunction with a Spirax Sarco flow computer, accuracy is better than $\pm 1\%$ of actual flow from 5% to 100% of maximum rated flow. For flows from 1% to 5% of maximum rated flow, accuracy will be better than $\pm 0.1\%$ FSD. Repeatability is better than 0.25%. Note: the accuracy figures quoted are for the pipeline unit only.

Materials

Part	Material						
Body	Carbon steel	ASTM A105/A106/A234					
Internals	Mostly stainless steel	S304/S316					
Spring	Inconel X750						

Pressure drop

Less than 349 m bar (140 inches H²O) at rated capacity.

Flow capacity

To determine the maximum flow capacity of a Gilflo 'B', it is necessary to calculate the equivalent water flowrate (Q_E) . See under section "Sizing the Gilflo 'B' flowmeter".

Pressure/temperature limits



The product **must not** be used in this region.

- A A Flanged ASME 300 DN50-DN300
- B B Flanged ASME 300 DN400
- C C Flanged EN 1092 PN40

Body	design conditions		ASME 300			
PMA	Maximum allowable pressure		51.1 bar g @ 38 °C			
ТМА	Maximum allowable temperature		450 °C @ 23 bar g			
Minim	um allowable temperature		0°C			
РМО			51.1 bar g @ 38 °C			
	maximum operating pressure	DN400	49 bar g @ 65.7 °C			
Minim	um operating pressure		0.6 bar g			
тмо	Maximum operating temperature		450 °C @ 23 bar ç			
Minim Note:	um operating temperature For lower operating temperatures consult Spirax Sarco.		0°C			
Maxim	um viscosity		30 centipoise			
ΔΡΜΧ	Maximum differential pressure		349 m bar			
		ASME	77 bar g			
Desigi	ied for a maximum cold hydraulic test pressure of:	PN40	60 bar g			

Dimensions/weights (approximate) in mm and kg

Size	А	В	Weight
DN50*	480	89	14
DN80	543	114	22
DN100	716	168	48
DN150	797	219	87
DN200	990	324	123
DN250	1458	406	257
DN300	1599	457	340
DN400*	1995	610	900

* Note - DN50 flowmeter: flanges on the PN40 are thicker (to ASME 300, 22.2 mm) to accommodate pressure tappings.



Pressure tappings:

On the DN400 flowmeter, the pressure tappings are on the body.

Safety information, installation and maintenance

For full details see the Installation and Maintenance Instructions supplied with the product.

Installation:

Installation and Maintenance Instructions are supplied with each flowmeter. The following main points are given for guidance:-

- 1. The Gilflo flowmeter should be installed with a minimum of 6 straight pipe diameters upstream and 3 downstream. No valves, fittings or cross sectional changes are permitted within these pipe lengths. Where an increase in pipe diameter is necessary upstream of a Gilflo flowmeter, the length of straight pipe should be increased to 12 diameters. Similarily, where a Gilflo flowmeter is installed downstream of two 90° bends in two planes, a pressure reducing valve or a partially open valve, 12 pipe diameters should be allowed.
- 2. The Gilflo flowmeter should normally be mounted horizontally. Vertical installation (with flow vertically downward) is also permissible and must be specified at the time of ordering. Ensure flow is in the correct direction and avoid reverse flow.
- 3. For steam applications, good basic steam engineering practice should be followed:
 - Ensure all pipework is adequately lagged.
 - Ensure correct line drainage through adequate trapping.
 - Where practicable, fit a steam separator upstream of the flowmeter. This should be drained using a float trap set.
 - Ensure good alignment and support of all associated pipework.
 - Achieve line size reduction by the use of eccentric reducers.
 - Avoid close installation (less than 25 pipe diameters) upstream or downstream of a pressure reducing valve or modulating valve.
- 4. See the 'Gilflo flowmeters system overview', TI-S41-10 which provides information on the installation of a Gilflo flowmetering system.

Maintenance note:

There are no user serviceable parts within the Gilflo 'B' flowmeter.

Sizing the Gilflo 'B' flowmeter

In order to determine the flow capacity of a Gilflo 'B' flowmeter for a particular application, it is necessary to calculate the equivalent water flowrate ($Q_{_{P}}$) based on the maximum anticipated actual flow.

	Mass flow units	Volumetric units
Liquids	$Q_{\rm E} = \sqrt{\frac{qm}{SG}}$	$Q_{E} = Q_{L}\sqrt{SG}$
Gases and steam actual flow conditions	$Q_{E} = q_{m} \sqrt{\frac{1000}{D_{F}}}$	$Q_{E} = Q_{F} \sqrt{\frac{D_{F}}{1\ 000}}$
Gases standard conditions	$Q_{E} = \frac{q_{m}}{\sqrt{\frac{D_{s}}{1000} \times \frac{P_{F}}{P_{s}} \times \frac{T_{s}}{T_{F}}}}$	$Q_{E} = Q_{S} \sqrt{\frac{D_{S}}{1000}} x \frac{P_{S}}{P_{F}} x \frac{T_{F}}{T_{S}}$

Where:

D _s = Density of gas at standard	conditions (kg/m ³)
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 D_{F} = Density of gas at actual flow conditions (kg/m³)

$$P_s$$
 = Standard pressure (atmospheric) = 1.033 kg/cm² a

= 14.70 psi a

- P_{F} = Actual flow pressure in same absolute units as P_{s}
- Q_F = Equivalent water flowrate (litres/min)
- Q_L = Maximum liquid flowrate (litres/min)
- Q_s = Maximum gas flowrate at standard conditions (litres/min)
- Q_F = Maximum gas flowrate at actual flow conditions (litres/min)

q_m = Mass flowrate (kg/min)

- SG = Specific gravity
- T_s = Standard temperature (K) = °C + 273
- T_F = Actual flow temperature (K) = °C + 273

Sizing - Gilflo 'B' flowmeter minimum and maximum saturated steam flowrate in kg/h

Notes:

- 1. QE = The equivalent water flowrate litres/min for a Gilflo 'B' flowmeter. These equivalent water flowrates are based on a differential pressure across the flowmeter of 349 m bar (140 inches H2O).
- 2. Minimum flow is 1% of maximum (100:1 turndown).
- **3.** The table below is a guide only.

Size		05	Steam pressure bar g										
		QE	1	3	5	7	10	12	15	20	25	30	40
DN50	Max.	355	732	1016	1233	1 4 1 5	1651	1791	1983	2269	2526	2763	3 195
	Min.	4	7	10	12	14	17	18	20	23	25	28	32
DN80	Max.	1 165	2403	3335	4046	4645	5418	5877	6508	7 4 4 7	8291	9068	10485
	Min.	12	24	33	40	46	54	59	65	74	83	91	105
DN100	Max.	1870	3857	5353	6494	7456	8697	9434	10446	11954	13 308	14 556	16830
	Min.	19	39	54	65	75	87	94	104	120	133	146	168
	Max.	4 5 5 0	9385	13025	15802	18 141	21 161	22955	25416	29085	32382	35 4 16	40 951
DN150	Min.	46	94	130	158	181	212	230	254	291	324	354	410
DNOOD	Max.	8085	16675	23 144	28078	32235	37601	40789	45 163	51683	57 539	62932	72767
DN200	Min.	81	167	231	281	322	376	408	452	517	575	629	728
DN250	Max.	11 120	22936	31 832	38619	44335	51716	56 101	62 116	71084	79139	86556	100 083
	Min.	111	229	318	386	443	517	561	621	711	791	866	1001
DN300	Max.	19305	39818	55262	67 0 4 4	76970	89783	97 395	107 838	123406	137 390	150 267	173750
	Min.	193	398	553	670	770	898	974	1078	1234	1 374	1 503	1738
DN400	Max.	31360	64682	89770	108910	125 033	145847	158213	175 177	200467	223 183	244 101	282248
	Min.	314	647	898	1 0 8 9	1 2 5 0	1458	1 5 8 2	1752	2005	2232	2441	2822

How to order example

1 off Spirax Sarco DN150 Gilflo 'B' flowmeter flanged to EN 1092 PN16.