Compact Reverse Osmosis (RO) System
Installation and Maintenance Instructions

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1. Safety information

Note: This document refers only to the mechanical installation and commissioning of the Spirax Compact Reverse Osmosis System and should be used in conjunction with the relevant IMIs for the other system components and supplementary safety information for all the system components.

Warning
This product is designed and constructed to withstand the forces encountered during normal use.

Use of the product for any purpose other than its intended use could cause damage to the product and may cause injury or fatality to personnel.

Before any installation or maintenance procedure, always ensure that all associated primary steam, condensate return and secondary water lines are isolated.

Ensure any residual internal pressure in the system or connecting pipework is carefully relieved.

Always wear appropriate safety clothing before carrying out any installation or maintenance work.

Lifting
The Spirax Compact Reverse Osmosis System should be lifted by a suitable forklift truck, from the base, placed in position and securely bolted to the floor.*

* Please note: As the weight of the water is perceived to be sufficient to keep the unit safely in position it only needs to be bolted to the floor at the customers request.

Warning:
On no account is the Spirax Compact Reverse Osmosis System to be lifted by any other part, other than the base.

Note: Sufficient space should be provided around the system location to allow access for maintenance.
Safe operation of these products can only be guaranteed if they are properly installed, commissioned, used and maintained by qualified personnel (see Section 1.11) in compliance with the operating instructions. General installation and safety instructions for pipeline and plant construction, as well as the proper use of tools and safety equipment must also be complied with.

1.1 Intended use
Referring to the Installation and Maintenance Instructions, name-plate and Technical Information Sheet, check that the product is suitable for the intended use/application. These products comply with the requirements of the European Pressure Equipment Directive 97/23/EC and fall within category 'SEP'. It should be noted that products rated as 'SEP' are required by the Directive not to carry the CE mark.

i) The product has been specifically designed for use on water which is in Group 2 of the above mentioned Pressure Equipment Directive. The products' use on other fluids may be possible but, if this is contemplated, Spirax Sarco should be contacted to confirm the suitability of the product for the application being considered.

ii) Check material suitability, pressure and temperature and their maximum and minimum values. If the maximum operating limits of the product are lower than those of the system in which it is being fitted, or if malfunction of the product could result in a dangerous overpressure or overtemperature occurrence, ensure a safety device is included in the system to prevent such over-limit situations.

iii) Determine the correct installation situation and direction of fluid flow.

iv) Spirax Sarco products are not intended to withstand external stresses that may be induced by any system to which they are fitted. It is the responsibility of the installer to consider these stresses and take adequate precautions to minimise them.

v) Remove protection covers from all connections and protective film from all name-plates, where appropriate, before installation on steam or other high temperature applications.

1.2 Access
Ensure safe access and if necessary a safe working platform (suitably guarded) before attempting to work on the product. Arrange suitable lifting gear if required.

1.3 Lighting
Ensure adequate lighting, particularly where detailed or intricate work is required.

1.4 Hazardous liquids or gases in the pipeline
Consider what is in the pipeline or what may have been in the pipeline at some previous time. Consider: flammable materials, substances hazardous to health, extremes of temperature.
1.5 Hazardous environment around the product
Consider: explosion risk areas, lack of oxygen (e.g. tanks, pits), dangerous gases, extremes of temperature, hot surfaces, fire hazard (e.g. during welding), excessive noise, moving machinery.

1.6 The system
Consider the effect on the complete system of the work proposed. Will any proposed action (e.g. closing isolation valves, electrical isolation) put any other part of the system or any personnel at risk? Dangers might include isolation of vents or protective devices or the rendering ineffective of controls or alarms. Ensure isolation valves are turned on and off in a gradual way to avoid system shocks.

1.7 Pressure systems
Ensure that any pressure is isolated and safely vented to atmospheric pressure. Consider double isolation (non return valve) and the locking or labelling of closed valves. Do not assume that the system has depressurised even when the pressure gauge indicates zero.

1.8 Temperature
The Spirax Compact Reverse Osmosis System is a cold water device, designed for maximum temperatures of 40°C - this temperature should not be exceeded. Failure to do so would cause critical membrane failure.

1.9 Tools and consumables
Before starting work ensure that you have suitable tools and/or consumables available. Use only genuine Spirax Sarco replacement parts.

1.10 Protective clothing
Consider whether you and/or others in the vicinity require any protective clothing to protect against the hazards of, for example, chemicals, high/low temperature, radiation, noise, falling objects, and dangers to eyes and face.

1.11 Permits to work
All work must be carried out or be supervised by a suitably competent person. Installation and operating personnel should be trained in the correct use of the product according to the Installation and Maintenance Instructions. Where a formal ‘permit to work’ system is in force it must be complied with. Where there is no such system, it is recommended that a responsible person should know what work is going on and, where necessary, arrange to have an assistant whose primary responsibility is safety. Post ‘warning notices’ if necessary.

1.12 Handling
Manual handling of large and/or heavy products may present a risk of injury. Lifting, pushing, pulling, carrying or supporting a load by bodily force can cause injury particularly to the back. You are advised to assess the risks taking into account the task, the individual, the load and the working environment and use the appropriate handling method depending on the circumstances of the work being done. Please note that if lifting straps are required we would recommend that they be fitted around the baffle plate legs to prevent damage to the unit.
2. General product information

2.1 General information
The Spirax Compact Reverse Osmosis (RO) System is designed to provide high quality water for boiler feedwater, process applications and effluent treatment. Used with the correct water treatment, it can provide energy savings by reducing boiler blowdown. It also reduces steam side corrosion by reducing the feedwater alkalinity.

The standard unit caters for flowrates of up to 2 m$^3$/h, but is scalable to 6 m$^3$/h.

The unit is supplied fully assembled and tested, ready for installation.

2.1.1 Dimensions / weight and key RO components
The Spirax Compact Reverse Osmosis (RO) System consists of the following core items:

**Weight (dry)** 300 kg

Fig. 1  Spirax Compact Reverse Osmosis (RO) energy reduction solution

Notes:
1. For additional information about any particular product used in the construction of this unit see the relevant product specific Technical Information (TI) sheet.
2. For further technical information regarding the Spirax Compact Reverse Osmosis (RO) System see the Technical Information sheet TI-UK-RO.
2.2 Reverse osmosis operation
The control system of the Spirax Reverse Osmosis plant is based around a control device with fixed algorithms. This controller governs the automation and control of the process. A series of valves are used with a high pressure pump and membranes, regimented and controlled by a HMI and PLC.

Process overview
RO relies on semi-permeable membranes, which have pores so fine that only water molecules are small enough to pass through them. In nature, similar membranes are responsible for regulating the water and nutrient levels in living cells. In industrial applications, pumps apply pressure to the raw water side and force pure water through a synthetic membrane, leaving salts and other contaminating molecules behind. Probably the easiest way to visualize RO is as a filtration system.

For most applications it is envisaged that Spirax RO systems will be used to clean raw water that enters steam generators, boilers and hot water systems. This application ensures the boiler TDS is optimized for the most efficient running capacity. Its primary function will be to reduce boiler blowdown frequency, saving significant energy losses.

2.3 The Spirax RO unit nomenclature
The product nomenclature is a reflection of the core items and unit options that have been ordered and supplied - See table below:

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<td>Feedwater pre filter pressure</td>
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<td>Feedwater isolation solenoid valve</td>
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<td>V2</td>
<td>Feedwater bypass solenoid valve</td>
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<td>V3</td>
<td>Product water outlet isolation solenoid valve</td>
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2.4 Operation

Manual control
Each of the following plant items shall have the facility for manual control. It remains the responsibility of the person placing any device into manual control to ensure the safety of plant, people and process.

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<td>Feedwater pre filter pressure</td>
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<td>V2</td>
<td>Feedwater Bypass Solenoid Valve</td>
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<td>V3</td>
<td>Product Water Outlet Isolation Solenoid Valve</td>
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If any of the items above are placed into Manual control and are therefore unavailable for automatic control an alarm shall be raised on the HMI.

Stopped / Idle
When idle and before entering the start-up routine, i.e. on initial power up, the valves will be orientated as follows;

- V01 Feedwater isolation valve CLOSED
- V02 Feedwater bypass valve OPENED
- V03 Product water outlet valve CLOSED
- P1 HP Pump OFF

Start-up
On receipt of an enable system, either from a remote source or via the start button from the HMI, providing that the RO system has all the required devices in Auto, then the following start up operation will occur;

- V01 Feedwater isolation valve OPENED
- V02 Feedwater bypass valve CLOSED
- V03 Product water outlet valve OPENED
- P1 HP Pump ON

High permeate conductivity (C02)
If the conductivity probe (C02) registers a conductivity measurement higher than the high permeate alarm set point, the HMI alarm shall be raised and the following control actions will take place;

- V01 Feedwater isolation valve OPENED
- V02 Feedwater bypass valve CLOSED
- V03 Product water outlet valve CLOSED
- P1 HP Pump ON
Prolonged high permeate conductivity (C02)
If the conductivity probe C02 continues to register high conductivity measurement the HMI alarm shall be raised and the following control actions will take place;

- **V01 Feedwater isolation valve** CLOSED
- **V02 Feedwater bypass valve** CLOSED
- **V03 Product water outlet valve** OPENED
- **P1 HP Pump** OFF

High raw water feedline Conductivity (C01)
If the conductivity probe C01 registers a conductivity measurement higher than the raw water set point and the HMI alarm shall be raised and the following controlling actions will take place;

- **V01 Feedwater isolation valve** CLOSED
- **V02 Feedwater bypass valve** CLOSED
- **V03 Product water outlet valve** OPENED
- **P1 HP Pump** OFF

Feedwater pre filter pressure (PT01)
If the feedwater pre filter pressure transducer (PT01) registers a high pressure measurement, the HMI alarm shall be raised and the following control actions will take place;

- **V01 Feedwater isolation valve** CLOSED
- **V02 Feedwater bypass valve** CLOSED
- **V03 Product water outlet valve** OPENED
- **P1 HP Pump** OFF

High HP pump pressure (PS01)
If the pressure switch (PS01) is registering a high pressure, the HMI alarm shall be raised and the following control actions will take place;

- **V01 Feedwater isolation valve** CLOSED
- **V02 Feedwater bypass valve** CLOSED
- **V03 Product water outlet valve** OPENED
- **P1 HP Pump** OFF

Feedwater post filter pressure (PT02)
If the feedwater post filter pressure transducer (PT02) registers a high pressure measurement, the HMI alarm shall be raised and the following control actions will take place;

- **V01 Feedwater isolation valve** CLOSED
- **V02 Feedwater bypass valve** CLOSED
- **V03 Product water outlet valve** OPENED
- **P1 HP Pump** OFF
3. Installation

Note: Before actioning any installation observe the 'Safety information' in Section 1.

3.1 Water connections
It is important that the raw water supply is of softened water quality at all times.

The supply water must have:

- A minimum pressure of 4 bar. Failure to achieve this could result in the plant tripping out
  on low pressure.
- A free chlorine (or total oxidant) level less than 0.1 mg/l.
- No abnormally high levels of iron, manganese or organics.
- Total Hardness levels <4mg/l.
- (SDI) <5
- Temperature <40°C maximum.

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<th>Pressure / temperature limits</th>
<th>Pump suction side</th>
<th>Pump delivery side</th>
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<tr>
<td>Maximum operating pressure</td>
<td>5 barg</td>
<td>13.6 bar g</td>
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<tr>
<td>Maximum operating temperature</td>
<td>40°C</td>
<td>40°C</td>
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<tr>
<td>Test pressure</td>
<td>6.2 bar g @ 20°C</td>
<td>15 bar g @ 20°C</td>
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Connections

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The water supply should comply to the statements above and water temperature should never exceed 40°C.

The water supply should always be maintained at the specified design pressure and temperature for the unit. The Spirax RO must not operate above the maximum pressure and temperatures indicated on the name-plate attached to the RO.

The installation of an appropriately sized non return valve on the permeate side is recommended if the permeate is connected directly to a boiler hotwell.
3.3 Electrical supply

All electrical wiring and connections should be carried out in accordance with National Regulations.

A lockable isolator / switch disconnect should be fitted adjacent to the unit.

Mains supply is directly connected to the primary side of the incoming control panel isolator as shown in the diagram below.

![Diagram of electrical supply connection](image)

**Fig. 2 400 V, 3 phase + N + E supply**

**Cable colours**

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<td>L3</td>
<td>Grey</td>
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<td>N</td>
<td>Light blue</td>
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<td>24 Vac</td>
<td>Red</td>
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<td>Analogue signals</td>
<td>Grey screened</td>
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3.4 Electrical specifications

All control equipment is pre-wired and ready for connection to the power source (system activation via volt-free contact from level control in supply tank or hot well).

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<th>Electrical supply</th>
<th>Power supply</th>
<th>400 V, 3 phase, 50 Hz</th>
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<td></td>
<td>Supply fuse</td>
<td>20 A</td>
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3.5 Electrical connections

The following are available to customer connection to the Spirax Compact Reverse Osmosis (RO) System if required for general alarm:

![Diagram of electrical connections](image-url)

Fig. 3 General alarm
Terminal layout overview

Fig. 4 Terminal layout

Terminal layout detailed

Note: for detailed wiring schematic please refer to the 'Operations manual'.

X2  -  Raw water inlet isolation valve
X3  -  Product water outlet isolation valve
X4  -  Waste water outlet isolation valve
X5  -  Raw waterfeed bypass isolation valve
X6  -  (P1) High pressure pump
X11 -  Remote enable
X12 -  General output alarm
4. Commissioning

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4.1 Commissioning requirements and tasks
We recommend that you use the service and support of a Spirax Sarco commissioning engineer. Details of this service can be found by contacting Spirax Sarco.

Note: Pre commissioning requirements:
- A minimum pressure of 4 bar. Failure to achieve this could result in the plant tripping out on low pressure.
- A free chlorine (or total oxidant) level less than 0.1 mg/l.
- No abnormally high levels of iron, manganese or organics.
- Total Hardness levels <4 mg/l.
- (SDI) <5
- Temperature <40°C maximum.
- Inspect all pipework, pumps and tanks for leaks and general condition.
- Test and prove all pump and level switch control systems.
- Test and prove the feed water to the RO plant for hardness and particulate matter.
- Check and calibrate any conductivity instruments and clean the conductivity cells.
- Test and prove all pressure switches and interlinks within the RO control system.
- Check filters have been loaded.
- Check all electrical connections are secure and as per the wiring diagram - Sections 3.3 and 3.4.
- Complete a full RO performance tests and record the results.
4.2 HMI quick start commissioning procedure:

The HMI display is a 7” touch screen, and the following procedures detail a basic set-up of the control system from initial power up. A more detailed description of each individual feature can be found in the full operation and maintenance manual.

When ready the above screen will appear, touch the screen.

This main screen will appear. Configuration occurs from here.
Press this button to configure Year / Month / Day / Hour / Min / Secs

![Image of configuration interface]

This menu gives access to the analogue scaling 4-20 mA settings and alarm set points. The analogue settings will be factory set for the specific site and should not be adjusted. The Low/High alarms will be factory set, but may need to be adjusted for bespoke control.
Continuing with first operation requires further inputs

Fig. 9

This screen also shows the data logging function keys, help function and save data.
Press this button to configure energy and membrane fouling constants

![Diagram showing energy and membrane fouling configuration](image)

**Fig. 10**

Accurately enter the specific energy data to ensure that the valid energy data can be calculated.

**Press this button to configure fuel type**

![Fuel type configuration](image)

Fuel cost 0.10 £ / kWh

**Work through the menu inputting accurate data**

Upon completion of the above data all of the other global navigation buttons that are displayed in Figure 11 (along the base of the screen) are available for use.
4.3 Global navigation buttons

The 'Home mimic' button (Figure 12) will always navigate you back to the overview of the Spirax Compact Reverse Osmosis (RO) System that has been selected and configured.

From the home screen (Figure 13) the overall status and control of the Spirax RO system operation can be performed.
Press this button

This page shows all active alarms. An active alarm is indicated on all the mimic screens via the alarm bell in the top left hand corner of the screen.

![Fig. 14](image)

Press this button to configure high and low adjustments to alarms. These alarms will already be factory set but can be further tuned if required.

![Fig. 15](image)
Trend menu

This menu provides historical trend monitoring of the process values, useful for analysing the historical reactions of the Spirax Compact Reverse Osmosis (RO) System to process conditions.
Press this button to view service information for your Spirax Compact Reverse Osmosis (RO) system

This page provides key servicing information as well as the following:
- Contact details of Spirax Sarco local office.
- Facility to monitor the inputs and outputs of the Spirax Compact Reverse Osmosis (RO) system.
- Reset the system set points back to those at the time of commissioning.

To finalise the mechanical commissioning of the system:
- Open all RO drain valves.
- Monitor the process conductivity to ensure that it is within the acceptable limits.

The Spirax Compact Reverse Osmosis (RO) System is now ready to be turned on
6. Maintenance

Note: Before actioning any maintenance observe the 'Safety information' in Section 1.

6.1 General
For maintenance of the individual components that make up the system, please see the relevant product specific IMI’s for the components concerned.

RO feed requirements
The RO should only be fed with a good reliable supply of softened water and adequate treated water storage facilities downstream.

The RO plant requires:
- Total hardness <4 mg/l
- Free chlorine <0.1 mg/l
- SDI <5
- Minimum of 4 bar pressure
- No abnormally high levels of iron, manganese or organics.
- Failure to remove organics and particulates of >5 SDI will results in membrane and filter fouling.