

OPERATION MANUAL

Gate Valve

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1. Generalities

The following operation instructions are valid for FLEU-gate valves of the Fig.XXX* 052/053/031/032/036/037, which serve to shut the flow of liquids, gases and steams in pipe lines, and of course to let it through, whenever they are in OPEN status.

By a correct assembling, maintenance or repair we guarantee an activity free of troubles. The manufacturer carries no responsibility for efficiency and safety of the valves, whenever these operating instructions are not observed and followed accurately.

The valves must not be activated beyond the limits and rules indicated in the different documents (such as operation rules, purchase documents, datasheets). Operations beyond the indicated limits lead to overstrain which cannot be sustained by the valves.



A non-observance of this warning can cause injuries to persons and defects of the machines, such as:

- -Injuries caused by escaped medium (cold/hot, toxic, under pressure),
- -Affect in activity or damage of the valve.

The descriptions and rules included in this operation instruction refer to standard types but are also valid for alternatives.

These operation instructions do not take into consideration:

- Any accident and incident which can arise by assembling, operation or commissioning of the valves.
- Any safety rule in relation with the place where the valve is installed. The operator is responsible for the observation of the safety rules, also by the assembling staff.

The connected loads prescribed for driven valves, as well as the instructions for assembling, commissioning and operation have absolutely to be observed.

It is essential that the valves are handled by skilled staff that must be aware of the interactions between the valves and the system in which they are installed.

An incorrect use of a valve may cause strong consequences to the complete system, such as:

- Escape of medium
- Stop of the unit
- Affects, decreases or increases of operation or work of a system or unit.

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In case of local inquiries or orders, especially for spare parts, please indicate the production or factory serial number, the type, the model version and possibly also the year of construction.

The technical data referring to the valves can be found in their technical documentations (paragraph 4).

In case of a return transport it has to be proceeded as explained in paragraph 3 < Transport >.

2. Safety

These operation instructions contain essential information that has to be observed by assembling, operation and commissioning of the valves.

For this reason they have to be read by the assembling staff, by the skilled staff and by the operator before the valve is assembled and put into operation and they should always be kept in the proximity of the valve.

Not only the general safety rules indicated in this main paragraph have to be observed, but also the other ones indicated in other paragraphs.

2.1 Indication of notes in the operation instructions

The safety warnings contained in this operation instruction, which have to be observed in order to avoid injuries to persons, are indicated by the following general and particular picot-graphs:

Warning!



Security signal acc. to DIN 4844 W 9

Beware of the electrical tension!



Security signal acc. to DIN 4844 - W 8

In order to avoid defects of valve efficiency and of its accessories the following warning mark has to be observed:

ATTENTION!

The signs marked directly on the valve (such as DN) have absolutely to be considered and kept in a readable condition.

2.2 Dangers that can result if safety instructions are not observed.

If the safety instructions are not observed injuries to persons, environment and valve, or system can arise and the indemnity rights get lost.

In particular the non-observance of the safety notes can cause dangers such as:

- Break down of important functions of the valve or unit
- Failure of prescribed methods of commissioning and handling
- Danger to persons caused by electrical, mechanical and chemical impacts.
- Environmental injuries caused by a leakage of dangerous materials.

2.3 Working with safety consciousness

The safety instructions included in this paper, the national regulations for prevention of accidents, as well as the internal regulations referring to work, operation and safety have to be observed by the operator.

2.4 Safety instructions for the operator / user

- When ever some hot or cold valve parts (f. ex. Casing parts or handwheel) may cause any danger, these parts have to be constructed in a way that they are protected from contacts.
- The contact protection for moving parts (such as coupling) must not be taken away while the machine is working.
- Leakages (f. ex. in spindle gaskets) of dangerous conveyed materials (explosive, toxic, hot) have to be removed in a way that no danger to persons or environment can arise. Legal de-terminations must be respected.
- Injuries by electrical energy have to be excluded (please find details to this point in the VDE and local power supply enterprise regulations).

2.5 Safety instructions for commissioning, inspection and assembly works.

It must be provided that all commissioning, inspection and assembly works are executed by skilled staff, who must have previously studied these operation instructions.

Basically when any kind of work on a valve is executed, the valve has to be cooled down and free of pressure and the evaporation temperature of the medium must be lower than the temperature of all parts it gets in contact with.

Also basically, works on a valve have to be executed when it is stopped. The procedure to stop a valve operation is described in this paper and has absolutely to be observed.

Valves which get in touch with health injuring media have to be decontaminated.

Immediately after the work is done, all safety and protection devices have to be put into position or operation again. Before putting the valve into operation again, the points referring to paragraph 6 <putting into operation> have to be observed.

2.6 Arbitrary reconstruction and manufacture of spare parts

Reconstructions or modifications of the valve are only accept-able under agreement with the manufacturer. The use of original spare parts and by the manufacturer authorized accessories promotes safety. If any damage is caused by using other parts the liability for the consequences can be cancelled.

2.7 Inadmissible operation modes

A safe operation is only guaranteed if the valve is used according to the determinations included in the "generalities" of this operation instruction. The limits included in the technical documentation must not be exceeded.

3. Transport and storage

3.1 Corrosion protection

3.1.1 Carbon steel valves

Valves made out of unalloyed or low alloyed cast steel are painted with a hard sticking primer made of a 2-components colour based on epoxy resin paint. The minimum film thickness is $70 \mu m$. The inner surfaces are free of paint and only coated with a temporary corrosion protection (e.g. oil). Machined flange facings are protected against outside influences with a strippable vanish.

3.1.2 Stainless steel valves

Valves made out of stainless steel will be delivered without coating.

3.2 Transport

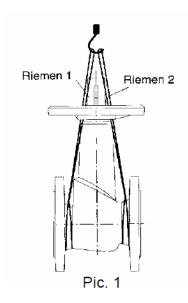
The valves are delivered in a closed condition and its connecting holes are shut up by cover caps.

Valves will be supplied as ready for operation.

During transportation and storage valve have to be closed. Connecting holes have to be shut up by suitable means (cover caps, foils) in order to avoid any damage to the valve seats.

In order to avoid damages the valves must not be hanging on the handwheel, or on a possible connected mo-tor or on any other accessory.

Transport or lifting a valve for installation in horizontal pipe lines as picture 1



The lifting belts 1 und 2 must be twisted round the body. In order to keep the valve in the shown position and to prevent falling vertically, the two lifting belts should lead to the hook through the handwheel arms.



Valves must not be lifted by the handwheel!

3.3 Storage

The storage has to be effected in a way that it can work perfectly even after a longer storage period.

For this purpose it is necessary

- To keep the valve closed (in order to protect the seat facings)
- To take measures against soiling (dust, sand, mortar, respectively building materials), frost and corrosion using plastic foils.

When storing valves with soft gaskets (of elastomer) the storage regulations for elastomer have to be observed:

- The store must be dry, free of dust and moderately ventilated. Store temperature should not go over 25°C.,
- stocks on hand have to be used up in order to avoid long storage periods,
- As already mentioned above, the valves have to be in "closed" position during the storage. However the soft closure elements should be shut with little power, in order to avoid a rush aging of the elastomer.

4. Description / documents

4.1 Structure and standards

Bolted bonnet, outside screw and yoke,

Rising stem, non-rising handwheel, stem seal stuffing box,

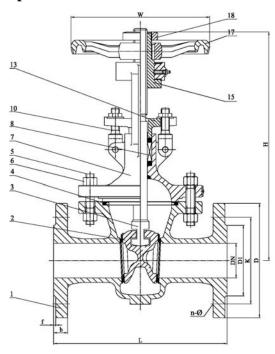
Basic design acc. to DIN 3352 (for ANSI valves, acc. to API 600)

Flanges acc. to EN 1092-1 (for ANSI valves, acc. to ASME B16.5)

Face to face acc. to EN 558-1 (for ANSI valves, acc. to ASME B16.10)

Test acc. to EN 12266-1 (for ANSI valves, acc. to API 598)

4.2General view and parts list



NO.	Part	Material	
1	Body	1.4408	1.0619
2	Wedge	1.4408	1.0619+D507Mo / 1.4006(≤DN100)
3	Stem	1.4401	1.4021
4	Body seal	1.4401+ Graphite	1.4301+ Graphite
5	Bolts	A4-70	G
6	Nut	A4-70	YK
7	Bonnet	1.4408	1.0619
8	Packing	Graphite	Graphite
10	T-bolt	A4-70	G
13	Gland flange	1.4408	1.0619
15	Stem nut	0.7040	0.7040
17	Handwheel	0.7040	0.7040
18	Lock nut	1.4541	1.1181

4.3 Temperature

- 4.3.1 Body material suitable for Temperature as follow:
 - a. Carbon steel 1.0619: -29℃~+425℃

b. Carbon steel WCB: -29℃~+425℃

c. Stainless steel 1.4408: -196° C \sim +540 $^{\circ}$ C (for flanged connection valves)

 $+815^{\circ}$ C (for carbon content $\geq 0.04\%$)

d. Stainless steel CF8M: $-196^{\circ}\text{C} \sim +540^{\circ}\text{C}$ (for flanged connection valves)

 $+815^{\circ}$ C (for carbon content $\geq 0.04\%$)

- 4.3.2 Gasket material suitable for Temperature as follows:
 - a. PTFE: -180°C~+200°C
 - b. Flexible graphite: -200°C ~+570°C (Oxidizing medium)

+800°C (Non-oxidizing medium)

c. Metal sealing circle the same as 4.3.1

4.4 Medium

For carbon steel valves: non-corrosive, such as water, steam, and oil.

For stainless steel valves: can be corrosive, $4.0 \le PH \le 10.0$



The valves should be operated during the limits range refer to par. 4.3 and 4.4.

5. Installation

5.1 Generalities

The pipeline has to be installed in a way that injurious shearing and bending forces during installation and activity are kept away from the valve bodies. This is to avoid leakiness and destruction of the body.

Before installation the cover caps have to be removed from the connecting holes.

The flange facings must be clean and undamaged.

The flange gaskets must be well centralized.

Only bolts and gaskets of admissible materials may be used.

For the flange connection all flange drill holes have to be used.

When varnishing the pipelines, no bolts and nuts, stems, stuffing boxes and accessories must be painted (function affects). During any construction work the valves have to be protected from dust, sand and any other construction material. (Please cover with suitable means).

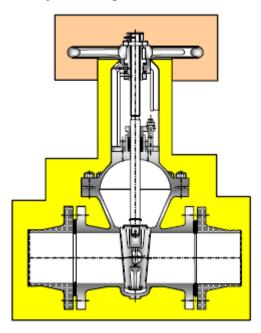
Valve handwheels, by-passes and all other adjacent parts must not be used as steps.



Valves and pipe lines working in high temperatures (>50°C) or low (<0°C) must be

protect from touch by insulating. Alternatively the danger must be indicated by warning boards on the valve side.

ATTENTION! If in air-conditioning, cooling and refrigerating systems any condensation water, respectively danger of icing appears, a specialistic and diffusion-tight insulation of the whole valve, if necessary including the handwheel, has to be provided (See Picture2).



Pic.2

If a gate valve is mounted in a pipe line as an end valve it has to be secured by convenient measures from an unauthorized or unintended opening. It can also be shut by a blind flange on the exit side, in order to prevent any injury to parts and / or persons.

5.2 Installation position

Gate valves are preferably to be installed with the stem in vertical position.

There is no prescribed flow direction for gate valves. They can be operated by changing flow direction.

5.3 Welding instructions / pipe line assembly

For welding works on the valves the pipe line manufacturer is responsible.

Whenever the valves are welded with butt weld-ing ends or socket weld ends and the pipe line is welded with valves that are already installed (pipe line assembly), it has to be taken care that no impurity get inside of the body or even stay there, otherwise the seat facings and the stem thread can be damaged.

During welding works valves have to be as wide open as to exclude any contact between the sealing parts, otherwise the seats can get fused.

If welding works are done in the proximity of soft seal valves, it has to be taken care that the valve is not warmed up over the temperature limit indicated in the type sheet. (Reason: damage of the seat surfaces.)

The welding cable (opposite pole) must be at-tached by no means to any functioning parts of the valve, otherwise scorching can be caused.

The insert depth of valves with socket weld ends has to be ob-served accordingly to the referring standard. A gap between pipe end and sleeve ground serve as prevention from inadmissible welding seam strain.

5.4 Valves with motor

All electric devices such as adjusters, switch boxes, magnetic valves, end switches, etc., have to be installed in dry rooms and safe from overflow. Tension and frequency have to correspond to the data on the factory label.

6. Operation / putting into and out of operation

6.1 Operation/putting into operation

6.1.1 Generalities

Before putting the valve into operation its material, pressure and temperature data have to be compared with the operation terms of the pipe line.

Eventually appearing shock pressures (water hammer) should not exceed the maximal admissible pressure. Protective measures have to be provided.

The line system of new plants and especially after repair works has to be flushed in order to remove harmful solid matters, respectively bead of weld.

6.2 Operation

Looked at from above the valves can be closed by a clockwise rotation of the handwheel and opened by a counter-clockwise rotation. Relative symbols are to be seen on the handwheel top.

The use of any auxiliary lever to turn the hand-wheel is not admitted. Too big forces could be injurious because their seat seals could be squeezed.

Gate valves are applied in a way that they are either completely open or completely closed.

6.3 Function check up

The following functions have to be checked up:

The shutting function of the installed valve must be checked up opening and closing it several times.

The stuffing box packing efficiency has to be checked up before the first loading by full operation pressure and temperature. If necessary the nuts on the stuffing box glands, respectively the stuffing box have to be evenly tightened.

The sealing efficiency of the bolted bonnet connections with the flat seal must be examined

after the first loading/warming up of the valve. (Maintenance-free valves too!) If necessary the bolts connections have to be gently, crosswise and evenly tightened.

6.4 Putting out of operation

During longer standstill periods liquids whose form can change in concentration due to polymerization, crystallization, solidification or the like, have to be let out of the line system. If necessary the line system has to be rinsed by completely open valve.

7. Commissioning / maintenance

7.1 Safety notes

During all commissioning and maintenance works on the valves the following safety notes as well as the general indications under paragraph 2 <safety> must be observed.

In any case, also in emergency, only suitable spare parts and tools have to be used, otherwise a perfect function is not guaranteed.

7.2 Valve disassembly

Before dismounting from the pipe line or before commissioning and repair works are made directly on the valve, more precisely:

- before loosing the bolted bonnet
- before loosing the gland bolts, respectively the stem bushes or the stem nuts
- before opening the yoke top for commissioning the bearing
- before dismounting the bonnet, respectively the yoke
- before disassembling a directly on the yoke connected motor
- before loosing shutting, opening and pressure release threaded plugs
- before removing the ring nut for repair

the valve has to be completely discharged from pressure and has to be cooled up until the evaporation temperature of the medium is lower than all the chambers getting in contact with it. Then any scald can be excluded.



Opening a valve under pressure is a lethal danger!

In case those toxic or easily inflammable mediums are conveyed, or mediums the residues of which in contact with humidity of the air can lead to corrosion damages, the valve has to be drained and flushed, respectively ventilated.

If necessary protecting clothes and protective masks have to be worn.

Due to the installation position the residual liquid possibly remained in the valve have to be drained off and correctly disposed.

Before a possible transportation, the valves have to be carefully emptied and flushed.

7.3 Maintenance

The valves are constructed in almost all of their parts maintenance-free. Materials for sliding parts are chosen which cause a very minimal wear. In order to improve operation safety and to minimize repair costs, all valves, specially those ones which are seldom put

into operation or are hard to get to, should be regularly tested, that means, put into operation (OPEN – CLOSED) at least once or twice a year.

The operator is responsible to determine the convenient test and maintenance intervals depending on the application of the valve.

The durability of maintenance-free valves and not can be extended if:

- the stem and stuffing chamber surfaces are kept clean and undamaged;
- the mobile parts, such as stems and stuffing box bolts are greased (except oxygen valves) by using standard lubricants.
- the stuffing box is punctually additionally packed or the packing is renewed;
- the gasket is punctually renewed;

The safety warnings in par. 2, 7.1 and in par. 8 must be observed.

8. Troubleshooting

8.1 Generalities

All repair and maintenance works have to be done with suitable tools and original spare parts.

The safety notes in par.2 and 7 have to be observed.

8.2 Troubleshooting table

Description of trouble	Probable cause	Solution
Leakage of packing	1. Tightening of the packing	1.Retighten the nut of
	not enough.	packing evenly.
	2. Insufficiency of packing	2. Add some more pieces of
	rings.	packing.
	3. Failure of the packing	3. Replace the packing by
		new one.
Leakage between sealing	1.Dirt on the sealing surface.	1.Clean the dirt
surface	2.Damage of sealing surface	2.repair the sealing surface
		of replace the disc and seat
		ring.
Leakage at the connection	1.Untightening of connecting	1.Tighten the bolts
of body and bonnet	of it.	uniformly.
	2. Damage of the sealing	2. Repair the sealing surface
	surface of the body-bonnet	of the body-bonnet flange or
	flange or that of the bonnet	the body-bonnet flange or
	and body of valve sealed by	the of the bonnet and body
	pressure.	of valve sealed by pressure.
	3. Failure of gasket or damage	3. Replace gasket or repair
	of metal sealing ring	the metal sealing ring.
Handwheel can't be turned	1.Overtighten the packing .	1.Loose the nuts of packing
flexibly or the gate can't be	2.Crookedness of gland	properly.
open or close	3.Damage of the stem nut or	2.Rectify the gland
	dirt on it .	3.Revise the screw thread of

	4. Wear or puncture of screw	stem nut, and clean the dirt.
	thread of stem nut	4.Replace the stem nut.
	5.Bend of stem	5.Rectify or replace the stem
Breakdown of electric	See the instruction of electric	See the instruction of
	actuator	electric actuator

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9. Guarantee

The warrantee for our product is one year after commissioning date, or 18 Months from shipment whichever happens earlier. In this period, If there is any damage caused by material defect, improper manufacture, and unreasonable design, or it takes place under the normal condition. Repair and replacement of part is free of charge.