#### **BULLETIN NO. A-27B**

# Magnehelic® Differential Pressure Gage

OPERATING INSTRUCTIONS



NCHES OF WATER

.40 .60

MAGNEHELIC

### **SPECIFICATIONS**

Dimensions: 4-3/4" dia. x 2-3/16" deep.

Weight: 1 lb. 2 oz. (510 g)

Finished: Baked dark gray enamel.

Connections: 1/8" female NPT high and low pressure taps, duplicated, one pair side

and one pair back.

Accuracy: Plus or minus 2% of full scale, at 70°F (21.1°C). (Model 2000-0, 3%; 2000-00, 4%).

Pressure Rating: 15 PSI (1.03 bar)

Ambient Temperature Range: 20° to 140°F (-7 to 60°C).

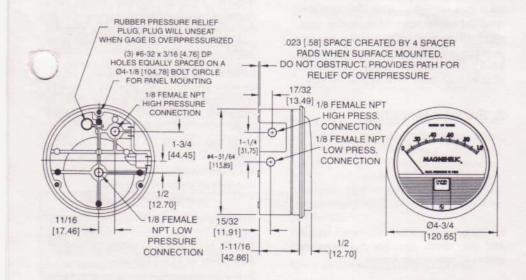
Standard gage accessories include two

1/8" male NPT plugs for duplicate pressure taps, two 1/8" male NPT pipe thread to rubber tubing adapters, and three flush mounting adapters with screws.

Caution: For use with air or compatible gases only.

For repeated over-ranging or high cycle rates, contact factory.

Not for use with Hydrogen gas. Dangerous reactions will occur.



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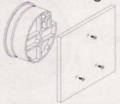
#### **MAGNEHELIC® INSTALLATION**

Overpressure Protection: Standard Magnehelic gages are rated for a maximum pressure of 15 psig and should not be used where that limit could be exceeded. Newer models employ a rubber plug on the rear which functions as a relief valve by unseating and venting the gage interior when over pressure reaches approximately 25 psig. To provide a free path for pressure relief, there are four spacer pads which maintain .023" clearance when gage is surface mounted. Do not obstruct the gap created by these pads.

1. Select a location free from excessive vibration and where the ambient temperature will not exceed 140°F (60°C). Also, avoid direct sunlight which accelerates discoloration of the clear plastic cover. Sensing lines my be run any necessary distance. Long tubing lengths will not affect accuracy but will increase response time slightly. Do not restrict lines. If pulsating pressures or vibration cause excessive pointer oscillation, consult the factory for ways to provide additional damping.

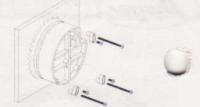
2. All standard Magnehelic gages are calibrated with the diaphragm vertical and should be used in that position for maximum accuracy. If gages are to be used in other than vertical position, this should be specified on the order. Many higher range gages will perform within tolerance in other positions with only rezeroing. Low range Model 2000-00 and metric equivalents must be used in the vertical position only.

3. Surface Mounting



Locate mounting holes, 120° apart on a 4-1/8" dia. circle. Use No. 6-32 machine screws of appropriate length.

#### 4. Flush Mounting



Provide a 4-9/16" dia. opening in panel. Insert gage and secure in place with No. 6-32 machine screws of appropriate length, with adapters, firmly secured in place. To mount gage on 1-1/4"-2" pipe, order optional A-610 pipe mounting kit.

## 5. To zero the gage after installation

Set the indicating pointer exactly on the zero mark, using the external zero adjust screw on the cover at the bottom. Note that the zero check or adjustment can only be made with the high and low pressure taps both open to atmosphere.

#### Operation

Positive Pressure: Connect tubing from source of pressure to either of the two high pressure ports. Plug the port not used. Vent one or both low pressure ports to atmosphere.

Negative Pressure: Connect tubing from source of-vacuum or negative pressure to either of the two low pressure ports. Plug the port not used. Vent one or both high pressure ports to atmosphere.

Differential Pressure: Connect tubilifrom the greater of two pressure sources to either high pressure port and the lower to either low pressure port. Plug both unused ports.

When one side of the gage is vented in dirty, dusty atmosphere, we suggest an A-331 Filter Vent Plug be installed in the open port to keep inside of gage clean.

A. For portable use of temporary installation use 1/8" pipe thread to rubber tubing adapter and connect to source of pressure with rubber or Tygon tubing.

B. For permanent installation, 1/4" O.D., or larger, copper or aluminum tubing is recommended. See accessory bulletin S-101 for fittings.

#### MAINTENANCE

Maintenance: No lubrication or periodic servicing is required. Keep case exterior and cover clean. Occasionally disconnect pressure lines to vent both sides of gage to atmosphere and re-zero. Optional vent valves, lletin S-101), should be used in permant installations.

Calibration Check: Select a second gage or manometer of known accuracy and in an appropriate range. Using short lengths of rubber or vinyl tubing, connect the high pressure side of the Magnehelic gage and the test gage to two legs of a tee. Very slowly apply pressure through the third leg. Allow a few seconds for pressure to equalize, fluid to drain, etc., and compare readings. If accuracy unacceptable, gage may be returned to factory for recalibration. To calibrate in the field, use the following procedure.

#### Calibration:

- With gage case, held firmly, loosen bezel, by turning counterclockwise. To avoid damage, a canvas strap wrench or similar tool should be used.
- 2. Lift out plastic cover and "O" ring.
- Remove scale screws and scale assembly.Be careful not to damage pointer.
- 4. The calibration is changed by moving the clamp. Loosen the clamp screw(s) and move slightly toward the helix if gage is reading high, and away if reading low. Tighten clamp screw and install scale assembly.
- 5. Place cover and O-ring in position. Make the hex shaft on inside of cover is properry engaged in zero adjust screw.
- Secure cover in place by screwing bezel down snug. Note that the area under the cover is pressurized in operation and therefore gage will leak if not properly tightened.

Zero gage and compare to test instrument.

Make further adjustments as necessary.

#### Ordering Instructions:

When corresponding with the factory regarding Magnehelic® gage problems, be sure to include model number, pressure range, and any special options. Field repair is not recommended; contact the factory for repair service. Caution: If bezel binds when installing, lubricate threads sparingly with light oil or molybdenum disulphide compound.

Warning: Attempted field repair may void your warrenty. Recalibration or repair by the user is not recommended. For best results, return gage to the factory. Ship prepaid to:

Dwyer Instruments, Inc.

Attn: Repair Dept.

102 Indiana Highway 212

Michigan City, IN 46360

#### Trouble Shooting Tips:

- ·Gage won't indicate or is sluggish.
- 1. Duplicate pressure port not plugged.
- 2. Diaphragm ruptured due to overpressure.
- 3. Fittings or sensing lines blocked, pinched, or leaking.
- Cover loose or "O"ring damaged, missing.
- Pressure sensor, (static tips, Pitot tube, etc.) improperly located.
- Ambient temperature too low. For operation below 20°F (-7°C), order gage with low temperature, (LT) option.
- ·Pointer stuck-gage can't be zeroed.
- 1. Scale touching pointer.
- 2. Spring/magnet assembly shifted and touching helix.
- 3. Metallic particles clinging to magnet and interfering with helix movement.
- Cover zero adjust shaft broken or not properly engaged in adjusting screw.

We generally recommend that gages needing repair be returned to the factory. Parts used in various sub-assemblies vary from one range of gage to another, and use of incorrect components may cause improper operation. After receipt and inspection, we will be happy to quote repair costs before proceeding.

Consult factory for assistance on unusual applications or conditions.

Use with air or compatible gases only.

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