

Installation and Operation Manual

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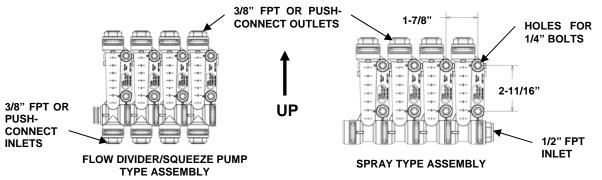
VisaGage II

VISUAL FLOW MONITOR SYSTEM

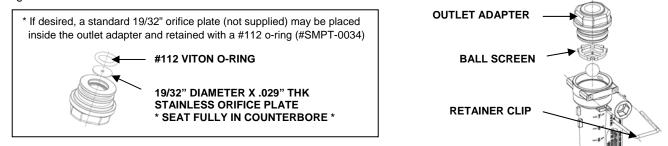
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Monitor Installation:

 Connect monitor columns together as shown below. The monitors need to be mounted vertically with the outlet at the top (see figure), using the bolt holes provided. A mounting bracket may be made out of ³/₄" to 1" strip steel or angle (see hole spacing below), and it is recommended to make the bracket able to tilt for ball removal and maintenance. Care must be taken that the inlet hose does not put a load on the inlet fitting - support hose if required.



2. Select the proper ball using the table below, and place inside by removing the retainer clip, outlet fitting, and ball screen to gain access to the ball.



3. Install barb or push-connect fittings into the adapters using plastic fitting thread sealant – DO NOT OVERTIGHTEN.

Ball Selection Table: (see parts list for optional balls)

Notes: a.) Use only glass or stainless steel ball with acid fertilizer

- b.) The maximum flow allowed through each column is 3.8 GPM (water)
- c.) For solutions other than water, apply the appropriate conversion factor to the flow table values

FLOW RATE TABLE FOR WATER (IN GPM) (WATER = 8.34 LBS/GAL)						
LEVEL	GREEN	BLACK	BLUE	BLUE GLASS	STAINLESS	
	PLASTIC BALL	PLASTIC BALL	PLASTIC BALL	BALL	STEEL BALL	
7	0.30	0.51	0.60	1.20	3.35	
6	0.20	0.37	0.50	0.86	2.75	
5	0.15	0.27	0.34	0.55	1.90	
4	0.11	0.21	0.24	0.40	1.40	
3	0.08	0.14	0.18	0.35	0.92	
2	0.04	0.10	0.13	0.25	0.50	
1	0.02	0.06	0.09	0.17	0.36	

SOLUTION WEIGHT (LBS/GAL)	CONVERSION FACTOR	
9.0	0.96	
10.0	0.91	
11.0	0.87	
12.0	0.83	
14.0	0.77	
16.0	0.72	

Operating Instructions:

- 1. Maximum allowed system pressure is 100 psi, and the maximum allowed liquid temperature is 140°F.
- The adapters and body of the standard flow monitors are made of <u>Polypropylene</u> and <u>PVC</u>. You must verify that the fluids you plan to use are compatible with these materials. Note that for the fumigant flow monitor models, <u>PMP</u> (Polymethylpentene, or "TPX[®]") is used instead of PVC.
- 3. During use, the balls in each column should be approximately even. If they are not, check the lines for blockage or restriction.
- 4. For the spray type assembly, a minimum system pressure of 10 psi is recommended for equal distribution.
- 5. If the balls are at the very top of the monitor during operation, it is recommended to change the ball to lower its operating level in order to avoid flow restriction from the ball itself.
- 6. Various types of liquid fertilizer will give different flow values than what is shown in the flow rate table. You may use the conversion table to adjust the flow values according to your fertilizer's lbs/gallon measurement, but it may be best to experiment with different balls to determine which one works best in your application.

Table Example: -

- : For fertilizer weighting 11 lbs/gal, the conversion factor is 0.87
- If you want to run 0.47 GPM through each monitor, you need to divide 0.47 by 0.87 (= 0.54)
 - Then you choose from the Flow Rate Table the best fit to the new number which is the blue glass ball. The ball should hover at approximately level #5.

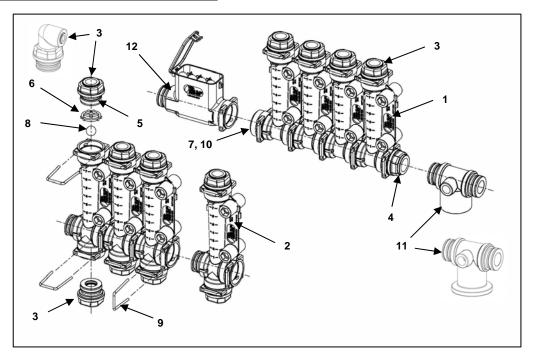
Storage and Cleaning:

- 1. After use, flush the monitor columns for a few minutes with a solution that will neutralize the liquid last used (refer to that manufacturer's instructions). The columns may be disassembled to ease cleaning.
- 2. To protect monitor columns from freezing, drain completely after flushing.
- 3. Although the flow monitor's materials have an additive to increase UV resistance, to prolong their life it is suggested that you protect the flow monitors from sunlight during storage.

Accessory Fitting Listing:

• Listed below are optional fittings that may be purchased with your flow monitors for use with the female NPT adapters:

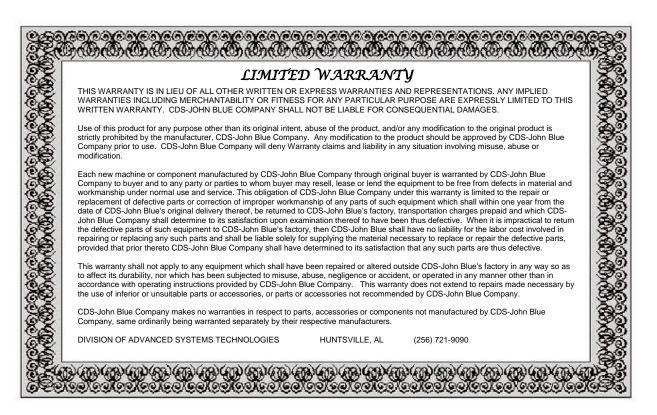
Fitting Description (3/8" MPT fittings can be purchased in sets of four)	Part #
3/8" MPT to 1/4" Polypropylene Barb, Straight	SMPT-0023
3/8" MPT to 3/8" Polypropylene Barb, Straight	SMPT-0024
3/8" MPT to 1/2 Polypropylene Barb, Straight	L-4452
3/8" MPT to 1/4" Polypropylene Barb, Elbow	SMPT-0028
3/8" MPT to 3/8" Polypropylene Barb, Elbow	SMPT-0029
3/8" MPT to 1/2" Polypropylene Barb, Elbow	SMPT-0030
1/2" MPT to 3/8" Polypropylene Barb, Straight	SMPT-0025
1/2" MPT to 1/2" Polypropylene Barb, Straight	SMPT-0026
1/2" MPT to 3/4" Polypropylene Barb, Straight	SMPT-0027
1/2" MPT to 3/8" Polypropylene Barb, Elbow	SMPT-0031
1/2" MPT to 1/2" Polypropylene Barb, Elbow	SMPT-0032
1/2" MPT to 3/4" Polypropylene Barb, Elbow	SMPT-0033



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1	SPRAY TYPE COLUMN – PVC	SMPT-0001
1F	FUMIGANT SPRAY TYPE COLUMN - PMP	SMPT-0043F
2	FLOW DIVIDER TYPE COLUMN - PVC	SMPT-0002
2F	FUMIGANT FLOW DIVIDER TYPE COLUMN - PMP	SMPT-0044F
3	3/8" FEMALE NPT ADAPTER – POLYPROPYLENE	SMPT-0003
	1/4" PUSH-CONNECT ELBOW ADAPTER – POLYPROPYLENE w/VITON SEAL	SMPT-0051
	5/16" PUSH-CONNECT ELBOW ADAPTER – POLYPROPYLENE w/VITON SEAL	SMPT-0052
	3/8" PUSH-CONNECT ELBOW ADAPTER – POLYPROPYLENE w/VITON SEAL	SMPT-0053
4	1/2" FEMALE NPT ADAPTER (INLET) – POLYPROPYLENE	SMPT-0004
5	#212 VITON O-RING	SMPT-0007
6	UPPER BALL SCREEN – POLYPROPYLENE	SMPT-0005
7	END CAP – POLYPROPYLENE	SMPT-0008
8	BALL – GREEN PLASTIC – POLYPROPYLENE	SMPT-0016
	BALL – BLACK PLASTIC – POLYPROPYLENE	SMPT-0017
	BALL – BLUE PLASTIC – DELRIN	SMPT-0018
	BALL – BLUE GLASS	SMPT-0019
	BALL – 1/2" DIAMETER - 316 STAINLESS STEEL	SMPT-0020
	SET OF REPLACEMENT BALLS (-0016 thru -0020, FOR ONE ROW, 5 BALLS)	SMPT-0013
	BALL – YELLOW PLASTIC - DELRIN – OPTIONAL <u>LEVEL (water)</u> : 1 = 0.12 GPM 3 = 0.23 GPM 5 = 0.45 GPM 7 = 0.85 GPM 2 = 0.18 GPM 4 = 0.33 GPM 6 = 0.63 GPM	SMPT-0050
	BALL – 7/16" DIAMETER - 316 STAINLESS STEEL – <i>OPTIONAL</i> <u>LEVEL (water)</u> : 1 = 0.90 GPM 3 = 1.60 GPM 5 = 2.55 GPM 7 = 3.75 GPM 2 = 1.25 GPM 4 = 2.05 GPM 6 = 3.30 GPM	SMPT-0021
9	RETAINER CLIP	SMPT-0006
10	FLOW-THRU END CAP FOR SS STYLE, 1/2" NPTF - OPTIONAL	SMPT-0061
11	1" FEMALE NPT MANIFOLD TEE (with o-rings) - OPTIONAL	SMPT-0014
	100 SERIES FLANGED MANIFOLD TEE (with o-rings) - OPTIONAL	SMPT-0049
12	BALL STORAGE UNIT - OPTIONAL	SMPT-0009

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Visagage II Assemblies:			
SINGLE COLUMN ASSEM – Spray Type	SMSS1		
FOUR COLUMN ASSEM – Spray Type	SMSS4		
SINGLE COLUMN ASSEM – Flow Divider Type	SMFD1		
FOUR COLUMN ASSEM – Flow Divider Type	SMFD4		
For Fumigant version of Visagage II, add "–FUM" suffix	For Fumigant version of Visagage II, add "–FUM" suffix		
• For assemblies with push-connect fittings, add "-P14, -P56, or -P38" suffix (1/4, 5/16, and 3/8 tube size)			





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