Compact automatic charging unit assembly with BA type backflow preventer

574 series





Function

The charging unit assembly is composed of a shut-off valve with an inspectable strainer, a BA type controllable reduced pressure zone backflow preventer and a pre-adjustable filling unit.

It is installed on the water inlet pipe in sealed heating systems and its main function is to maintain the pressure of the system stable at a set value, providing automatically a re-fill of the missing water.

This product has the peculiarity of being pre-adjustable. That means it can be adjusted at a desired pressure value before the system filling stage. The backflow preventer is inserted to prevent the contaminated water of the closed heating circuit from flowing back into the domestic water supply network, in compliance with EN 1717 standard prescriptions.

The device is proposed complete with pre-formed shell insulation and with a compact dimension design to make its hydraulic installation easier.



Reference Documentation

- Tech. brochure 01022. Backflow preventer 574 series

Product range

Code 574011 Compact automatic charging unit assembly with BA type backflow preventer _

size 1/2"

Technical specifications

Materials

Backflow preventer with shut-off ball valve

dezincification resistant **R** alloy EN 1982 CC770S Body: dezincification resistant R alloy EN 12165 CW724R Cover: Check valves: PSU-POM Springs: stainless steel Diaphragm and seals: **EPDM** brass EN 12164 CW614N Ball: Seals: **EPDM** Lever handle: PA66G30

Filling unit

Body: brass EN 12165 CW617N Cover: PA66G30
Obturator stem and moving parts: brass EN 12164 CW614N Strainer: stainless steel
Diaphragm and seals: NBR

Insulation

Material: EPS Density: 33 kg/m³

Performance

Medium: drinking water
Maximum working pressure: 10 bar
Maximum working temperature: 65°C
Acoustic group: II

Backflow preventer

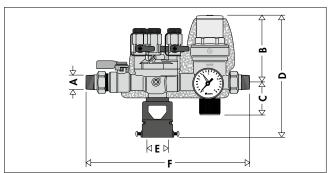
Designation: Family B, Type A
Certification: EN 12729
Pressure ports: upstream, intermediate, downstream
Upstream filter mesh Ø: 0,4 mm

Filling unit

Set pressure range: 0,2–4 bar Factory set: 1,5 bar Indicator accuracy: \pm 0,15 bar Pressure gauge range: 0–4 bar Internal filter mesh \emptyset : 0,28 mm

Connections: 1/2" M with union

Dimensions

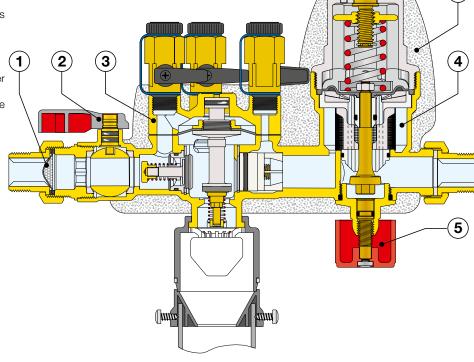


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574 011	1/2"	101,5	50	182	Ø40-60	250	1,6

Characteristic components

The charging unit assembly 574 series is complete with:

- 1) Inspectable strainer
- 2) Ball shut-off valve
- 3) BA type controllable backflow preventer with reduced pressure zones
- 4) Pre-adjustable filling unit with pressure gauge
- 5) Shut-off cock
- 6) Pre-formed shell insulation



Construction details

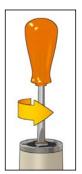
Automatic filling unit

Pre-adjustment

This model is provided with a pressure regulation indicator, which facilitates setting operations.

The system charging pressure may be set, turning the regulating screw, even before the system charging phase begins.



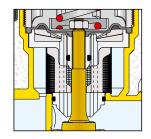


Anti-stick materials

The components inside the assembly are made of plastic having a low adherence coefficient. This solution reduces to a minimum the chance of scale forming, the major cause of any malfunctions.

Removable cartridge and filter

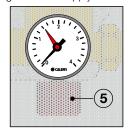
The cartridge containing the operation mechanisms, protected by a strainer having a large surface area, is removable. This peculiarity makes it possible to perform inspections, internal cleaning operations and, if necessary, cartridge replacement in an extremely simple and functional manner



Manual/automatic opening and pressure gauge

The assembly is provided with a manual shut-off cock (5) in the lower part that offers the possibility of closing the water supply to the

system after the filling is completed. The pressure in the system can be checked using the gauge supplied in order to re-open the cock whenever necessary to restore the automatic charging, which will gradually bring the pressure up to the set value.



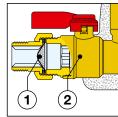
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Shut-off valve and inspectable strainer upstream

The shut-off valve upstream (2) of the assembly, together with the cock (5), makes it possible to shut off the backflow preventer for

cleaning, checking and, if necessary, replacing internal components.

The purpose of the inspectable strainer (1) located upstream is to protect the backflow preventer from any impurities of the supply network that could jeopardize its operation.



Insulation

The assembly is supplied complete with insulation, sized to limit thermal losses and to prevent condensation forming on the surface.

Compact assembly

The assembly is designed compact and with reduced overall dimensions in order to make hydraulic installation easier, above all if space is limited. This condition is typical of small and medium-size systems this product is designed for.

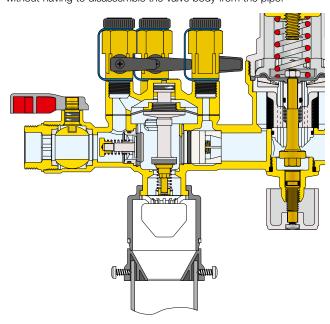
BA type controllable backflow preventer with reduced pressure zones

Corrosion-proof materials

The materials used to manufacture the backflow preventers must be insensitive to corrosion caused by the contact with drinking water. This is why they are made using **R** dezincification-resistant alloyand stainless steel, as they are a guarantee to keep best performance over time.

Simplified maintenance

When needed, any disassembly and maintenance work is easier to perform thanks to the use of components easy to verify and replace without having to disassemble the valve body from the pipe.



Use of backflow preventer according to European standards

To avoid backflows of water from the heating system, which is potentially polluted and dangerous for human health, it is indispensable to install a preassembled charging unit with a backflow preventer.

The correct use of hydraulic backflow preventers is governed by the European reference standard **EN 1717: 2000** "Protection against pollution of potable water in water installation and general requirements of devices to prevent pollution by backflow".

This standard classifies the water in the systems according to the level of risk it represents for human health.

Category 1: Water to be used for human consumption coming directly from a potable water distribution system.

Category 2: Fluid presenting no human health hazard, as per 1, the quality of which can have undergone a change in taste, odour, colour or temperature.

Category 3: Fluid representing some human health hazard due to the presence of one or more harmful substances.

Category 4: Fluid presenting a human health hazard due to the presence of one or more "toxic" or "very toxic" substances or one or more radioactive, mutagenic or carcinogenic substances.

Category 5: Fluid presenting a human health hazard due to the presence of microbiological or viral elements.

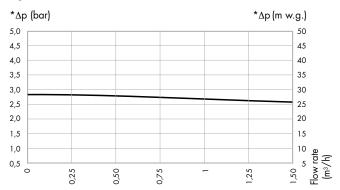
According to this classification, suitable backflow prevention devices must be fitted in water distribution circuits.

BA type backflow preventers can be used to protect against the risk of pollution from backflow for types of water up to category 4. For category 5 types of water an air gap separation must be used.

The table entitled "Protection matrix" lists a series of systems with category 4 medium based on the indications provided in the European regulation.

European regulation **EN 12729** "Devices to prevent pollution by backflow of potable water" Controllable backflow preventer with reduced pressure zone. Family B - Type A" defines the functional, dimensional and mechanical requirements of controllable reduced pressure zone backflow preventers of type BA.

Hydraulic characteristics

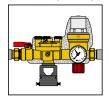


Charging flow rate 2,65 m³/h • Ap 1,5 bar • Ref. EN 1567

* Charging pressure of system downstream the unit.

Installation

 The backflow prevention valve unit must be installed horizontally, respecting the direction of flow shown with an arrow on the valve body. The discharge tundish to EN1717 standard must be connected to the piping leading to the sewerage system.







- The special mechanical preregulation system with pressure indicator allows the assembly to be set to the desired system value before the charging stage starts.
- 3. The valve is normally set to a pressure no lower than the value obtained by adding the hydrostatic pressure and 0,3 bar.
- 4. During the charging stage, the internal mechanism will automatically adjust the pressure by closing the supply when the set value is reached, without having to watch the lengthy filling operation.
- In view of the preregulation function, a pressure gauge downstream of the equipment is not crucial.
- Once the system is filled, the shut-off valve of the assembly can be closed. To reinstate the automatic charging conditions, the valve just has to be re-opened.

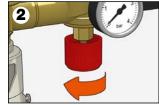
The system pressure value will gradually go back to the set value.

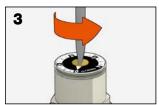
Inspection and maintenance

Charging unit assembly

For the periodical cleaning, control or replacement of the whole cartridge you must:

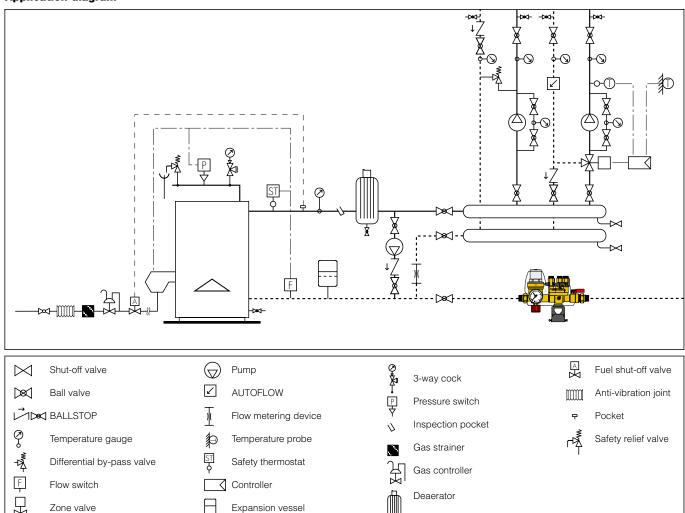
- Shut off the valve with the valve upstream and by using a valve downstream.
- 2) Open the bottom handle.
- 3) Fully undo the setting screw.
- 4) Remove the upper cap.
- **5)** Take out the cartridge with some pliers.
- 6) After inspection and eventual cleaning of the body, the whole unit can be reassembled or replaced by a spare cartridge.
- 7) Reset the unit.







Application diagram



SPECIFICATION SUMMARIES

Code 574011

Compact automatic charging unit assembly with BA type backflow preventer. Connections 1/2" M with union. Maximum working temperature 65°C. Maximum working pressure 10 bar. Medium water.

- Complete with:
- Controllable backflow preventer with reduced pressure zones, BA type, compliant with EN 12729. Dezincification resistant alloy body, EPDM diaphragm and seals. Stainless steel spring. Complete with discharge tundish with collar for fixing to the drain pipe;
- Pre-adjustable filling unit. Brass body, control stem and moving parts. Glass nylon cover. NBR seals. Adjustment range 0,2–4 bar. Complete with cock, stainless steel strainer with mesh size Ø 0,28 mm and check valve. Pressure gauge with 0–4 bar scale:
- Dezincification resistant alloy shut-off ball valve. Brass ball. EPDM seals. PA66G30 handle;
- Strainer upstream with mesh size Ø 0,4 mm;
- EPS insulation, density 33 kg/m³.

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