

# INSTRUCTION AND OPERATIONAL MANUAL FOR JORDAIR COMPRESSORS



## JORDAIR GENERIC INSTRUCTION AND OPERATION MANUAL

This Jordair Compressor Operators Manual is for your reference, the user's safety and to ensure the correct operation of Jordair compressor systems

**For the operator's safety, it is important that this entire manual be read and followed!!!**

### **WARNING!**

**Failure to operate and maintain the compressor system according to this instruction book can result in unacceptable air quality and be hazardous to the operator. These practices will also void the warranty.**

#### GENERAL NOTE:

The operations manual is designed to cover all of the options and features available on the standard Jordair Compressor Inc. breathing air compressor systems. As such, it is quite normal that some of the features listed may or may not be on your specific compressor model. Please review the complete manual to familiarize yourself with all aspects of the compressor system. Be sure to pay specific attention to those items, which apply, directly to your compressor system.

The Bauer compressor block manual and parts list is the supplementary manual for the specific compressor model and system.

Please contact the factory for additional detailed technical clarification or any other specific information required:

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# **WARNING!**

## **HIGH PRESSURE UNITS**

**Never operate a high-pressure compressor with the inter-stage or final safety relief valves removed and plugged, or if the safety valves are adjusted above the factory set range.**

**Tampering with inter-stage relief valves can result in**  
**Explosive Failure**  
**of a cylinder or cooler tubing.**

**High pressure air has**  
**Tremendous Kinetic Energy**  
**and should be treated with the**  
**utmost caution.**

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## Safety Facts for Setting up Your Compressor

### Setting up in a Closed Room

A compressor is an air-cooled machine, and since air under compression increases in temperature, it is imperative that the compressor be installed with adequate ventilation.

- The machine should be placed at least 18" away from any wall on the fan side of the compressor and 2.5 feet\* on the discharge air side of the compressor. The 18" may be ignored if the machine is placed in front of a suitably sized opening cut into the wall to allow cooling air to flow over the compressor.
- Air should be available from two directions within the room, the openings in each wall being in excess of six square feet, preferably with one opening near the floor and the other near the ceiling.
- If flowing ventilation is not available, a fan must be used to remove the heated air.
- The compressor should never be operated with an ambient room temperature in excess of 40°C.
- The air must be free of poisonous gases and exhaust gases (such as flue gases, solvent fumes, paint fumes, engine exhaust etc.)
- Follow the installation guidelines in the Bauer Compressor Installation Manual for Breathing Air – Contact a Jordair Rep for a copy if needed

*\* If the compressor is a fully enclosed unit with ventilation fan and ducting on the unit then 18" on all sides is sufficient as the air flows through the top.*

**Note: When setting up a compressor station in a sub-grade or basement location, always ensure the intake air supply is from an external location where the ambient air is as pure as possible.**

### **Warning!**

***Do not place the compressor air intake hose in a basement window which is set below ground level or on the same level with the sidewalk. Danger to life exists due to the possible contamination from vehicle exhaust gases!***

### Setting up in the Open Air

For gasoline or diesel driven units it is important that pure air only is sourced for the compressor intake. Set up the unit in so that the engine exhaust is downstream of the wind direction, so the combustion gases are carried away from the compressor unit and the air intake. Jordair recommends the mounting of an intake hose of at least 7.5 feet in length to the compressor intake filter with pre-filter. The pre-filter is to be placed at a height of 5 feet. This method of compressor set up provides a safe distance between the outlets of the exhaust gases and air the compressor intake air supply.

If there is a change in the wind direction, turn the unit correspondingly.

- Operate a unit with a diesel or gasoline engine in the open air; never operate an engine driven compressor in a room being completely or partially closed.
- An engine driven compressor can be operated within an enclosed or partially enclosed area if the exhaust is piped outside of the space through a wall and the compressor intake air is sourced at a high elevation away from the exhaust gas contamination.
- Ensure that vehicles with running engines are not within 50 meters of the intake inlet unless the compressor is integrated into the vehicle and operates off the vehicle engine or generator system.
- On truck mounted systems ensure the air intake is located well away and elevated above the source of the vehicle exhaust gases.
- Do not run the unit near an open fire (flue gases).

### Preparation for Compressor Service

Open frame units – these compressors are readily accessible and will not require the removal of frame enclosing components for routine service.

Enclosed units – the Ultra-Silent and Integra compressors require panel removal before service work is performed. Lift the latches out and turn to release the panel, and then remove the front, rear and top panels from the unit. This will expose the compressor unit for service. The lower panel must be removed to adjust the drive belts.

### Intake Filters & Extended Intake Piping

The air intake filter is a dry paper type micron element, effective to 5-micron filtration of particulate matter. This cartridge can be easily replaced without the use of tools. If an intake extension is to be attached to the intake filter, use a short section of non-collapsible flexible hose. This flexible hose will connect the compressor to the wall mounted intake pipe. The flex hose will absorb vibration between the compressor and the air intake extension pipe. The plastic wall-mounted intake pipe is to have a minimum diameter of three inches for up to 45 feet of length. This is based on a flexible intake hose length of 5 feet. The plastic intake pipe is to be increased by ½” increments in diameter for every additional 25 feet of distance from the compressor.

## Discharge Piping

All compressor installation piping is under the Provincial Boilers & Pressure Vessels jurisdiction and installed tubing and fittings must have CRN registration and be installed by a B&PV licensed and registered contractor.

## Compressor Description

The air compressor is a multi-stage, air cooled, single acting and reciprocating unit, designed to deliver a final discharge pressure depending on the specific model of unit of 5000, 6000, or 7250 PSIG. Lower pressure shut down is set on the final operating pressure switch shut down set point.

**Note:** The standard design of compressor is for 5000 or 6000 PSIG service and special units are offered for 7250 PSIG filling applications. Lubrication is by splash and full flow filtered oil pressure injection to the final free floating piston.

The compressor operates with an optimum oil pressure range from 50 to 75 psig depending on the model. The oil pump pressure regulator on all units automatically regulates the compressor oil pressure. Note: Junior and Oceanus Compressors are splash lubricated only.

## Air Flow

The process airflow is subjected to heat generation as part of the thermal temperature increase when air is subjected to the compression stages of the compressor. The inter-stage coolers are designed to remove most of the heat and the separators collect the accumulating moisture generated during compression. The airflow begins when the compressor crankshaft rotates and the first-stage piston draws the ambient air through the micron intake filter and the suction valve into the first stage cylinder. This air is compressed by the first stage piston and expelled through the discharge valve and travels via the inter-cooler to the second stage. It is necessary to cool the air to nearly ambient temperature to reduce component wear and prevent combustion of the lubricating oil and production of carbon monoxide. The Bauer block achieves the optimum in cooling efficiency with all inter-coolers and cylinders located in the direct airflow path of the cooling fan.

The air enters the second stage through the suction valve and is compressed by the piston. The compressed air after passing through the discharge valve is cooled by an inter-cooler and any oil droplets or an inter-stage separator removes liquid moisture. On the four stage compressors this process is repeated in the third stage and the air is again cooled and liquid oil and moisture is removed at a separator prior to entering the fourth stage. In five stage compressors the process is repeated on the fourth stage. The compressed air leaving the final stage is cooled to approximately 5 to 8°C above ambient temperature and remaining liquids are collected in the final oil/water coalescing separator.

The collected moisture and oil droplets can be drained manually or by an automatic drain device into the condensate collection container for manual draining of accumulated liquids. The process air is pre-cleaned to 5 microns by a micro-fibre or sintered element in the oil and water separator and passes out through a check valve. This one-way check valve stops the purified air from flowing back into the oil and water separator. The process air is then dried in a drying cartridge and purified to eliminate oil and hydrocarbons. A CO catalyst removes any CO and the activated carbon completes the process of purifying the air to the CSA breathing air standard.

Special filters and purifications systems can be installed to remove any undesirable component in the compressed air.

The final pressure-maintaining valve is set at approximately 2200 PSIG to ensure efficient operation of the filter system on 5000 PSIG compressors. On 6000 PSIG and higher compressors, the pressure maintaining valve is set at 2800 PSIG.

Contact Jordair Compressors directly for specialized technical assistance on nonstandard applications.

### Maintenance Timetable

A logbook is an ideal means of maintaining running time and dates of service.

The first oil change is recommended after reaching 25 hours of running time or within 3 months, whichever occurs first. Each additional oil change is to take place after 500 hours of operation or every 6 months. (It is recommended the compressor be run for approximately 30 minutes to warm the oil prior to draining).

Note: Check all mounting bolts, compressor bolts and electrical connections prior to placing a compressor in service and also at 100 hours to avoid any problems related to transport vibration or other reasons.

### Type of Oil

The use of the correct oil is necessary to maintain compressor reliability and warranty. The compression loading is over three, four or five stages, which neither stresses the oil mechanically nor creates thermal excesses. It is, however, recommended that only first class grades of oil be used. To ensure reliable compressor service and warranty use those oils as prescribed by Jordair, which have the smallest inclination to produce carbon and guarantee protection against corrosion.

## Oil Change Procedure

If the recommended operating hours, between changes, are not reached in six months time, the oil is to be changed to avoid internal corrosion.

Remove the drain plug and open the drain valve, then drain the oil into a container for disposal. The oil is to be drained while the compressor is still warm. On compressor units with magnetic plugs, remove and clean all particulate.

**Note:** On year 2000 and newer the oil filter also needs to be replaced.

To re-fill the oil, close the valve and replace the drain plug then remove the oil cap and add the oil slowly to the correct level on the sight indicator glass, older models may have an oil level dipstick.

### **Caution:**

**Never over-fill the compressor with oil. If the compressor is overfilled, drain the excess oil to the correct level on the sight level glass or dipstick. After oil change, open all drain valves and run the compressor unloaded until correct oil pressure is indicated on oil gauge.**

Start the unit and check the sight glass or oil pressure gauge to ensure the lubricating oil system is operating correctly. If the oil pressure fluctuates then bleed any air at the pressure gauge or oil regulator. Always bleed at the highest point to remove all air from the pressure lubrication system.

## To Prepare the Compressor for Prolonged Storage

First proceed as above and perform the oil change. Next, remove the intake filter housing and operate the compressor with the drain cocks open, slowly pour approximately 20 ml. of oil into the cylinder intake hole on the first stage while the inter-stage drain valves are open.

Stop the compressor, close all drains, replace and seal the compressor intake housing. Now the compressor unit is ready for storage.

## Reactivating the Compressor Unit

- ✓ Remove the dust cap from the inlet port and replace the intake filter.
- ✓ Check the oil level of the compressor.
- ✓ Check the motor/engine according to the manufacturer's instructions.
- ✓ Only applicable for units equipped with a filter system: open the purifier and change all filter cartridges.
- ✓ Operate the compressor with open filling valves or outlet valve for approx. 5 minutes.

- ✓ Check the oil pressure on the pressure gauge. If there is any fault, check the lubrication of the compressor.
- ✓ After 5 minutes, close the filling valves or the outlet valve and run the unit up to final pressure or until the final pressure safety valve blows. To check the final safety valve, override the pressure switch if installed on the unit.
- ✓ Check the inter-pressure safety valves for leakage.
- ✓ Establish the cause of any fault by identifying it in the general information from the trouble-shooting table, section 19, and remedy.

The compressor is now ready to return to normal service.

### Lubrication System (Year 2000 and newer)

The final stage piston is pressure lubricated by a gear pump with a nominal pressure of 50 to 75 psig. The lubricating oil is pumped through an in-line filter to the minimum pressure valve mounted on the oil pump housing. The lubricating oil is regulated and injected on the lower part of the floating piston when it is in the top dead center position. The oil enters into the clearance between the floating piston and the cylinder sleeve. The high-pressure oil lubricates the piston and rings and minimizes compression blow by. The excess oil from the regulator flows back to the crankcase through a return line.

### Lubrication System (Year 2,000 and prior)

The compressor is provided with forced-feed lubrication for the 3rd, 4th, or 5th stage. A Bosch injection pump is driven either by a cam lobe on the end of the crankshaft, or a camshaft driven via a V-belt or cog belt, depending on the model of compressor. It pumps oil into the pressure regulating valve at the 3rd, 4th or 5th stage cylinder. The oil pressure regulator doses the oil quantity and is adjusted to the respective oil pressure. The oil pressure on these machines is adjusted to between 850 P.S.I. and 950 P.S.I. On the IK 14.11 and the IK 18.1 compressors, the oil pressure is regulated by the 3rd stage pressure and the oil pressure gauge will match the 3rd stage pressure gauge. These compressors use an oil controller and the pressure is non-adjustable.

The drive gear atomizes the oil and the mist lubricates the piston rings and rod bearing. The crank and main bearings are splash lubricated when the crankshaft counter weight enters the oil. The first stage cylinder receives additional lubrication from the crankcase breather pipe, which is connected to the intake port of the cylinder head.

## Compressor Oil Pump Drive

Bauer Blocks 2000 and newer production series IK100II to IK18.1II – The compressor oil pressure of 5 bar (72 PSIG) is developed by a low revving gear type oil pump. The oil is pumped up through a final oil filter element. The filter element is to be changed every time the oil is changed to ensure correct service procedures.

## Oil Pump Drive Service

On the 2000 and newer series compressors the oil pressure is not adjustable, if the oil pressure drops below the minimum of 30 psig, replace the minimum pressure valve as an assembly, part number 81050. If the oil pressure is still not correct then the pump must be replaced. An oil pump assembly is replaced under part number N24585. The oil filter element number for replacement is N25326. Review the specific model parts list and Bauer manual for service procedures.

## Initial Trial Run of the Compressor

On start-up, a clicking or knocking sound will be heard from the final stage of the compressor. This is a normal condition produced by the free-floating piston tapping the guide piston in the final stage. This noise will only last until a counter pressure is built up, usually within 15 to 20 seconds. If the knocking sound continues check for inter-stage leaks, open drain cocks, or a defective automatic drain system seat or solenoid valve. Follow the repair procedures as outlined for the specific component in this manual.

## Pressure Relief Valves

As required by ASME and Boiler & Pressure Vessel, each stage of compression is provided with a spring-loaded type pressure relief valve factory set and sealed to operate at a suitable pressure to protect the individual stages of the compressor. The pressure relief valves are set high enough to allow for the momentary pressure surges, which occur as a cylinder discharges. The final discharge pressure relief valve is located on top of the final oil and water separator. The final separator is usually mounted on the same part of the compressor frame as the purification chambers.

Safety valves between stages protect the prior cylinder and also indicate a compressor inlet or exhaust valve malfunction when the safety valve is venting. For example: a final stage inlet or exhaust valve leak will cause excessive pressure rise between it and the preceding stage, opening the third stage relief valve. The over pressure that is built up by the final stage and not pumped onward in the system is vented safely to atmosphere by the relief valve.

### **Warning!**

***Never adjust inter-stage relief valves; this can cause failure of a cylinder or intercooler resulting in a possible injury or death. Only a certified company can reset relief valves.***

Worn or defective valves must be replaced as a complete assembly. On some compressor models, the unitized valves can be returned to the factory for repair. Contact Jordair to determine if a compressor valve is suitable for repair or must be replaced. Always replace both the inlet and exhaust valves in a compressor cylinder head as a set to avoid premature failure of the valves.

## Valve Heads

Each cylinder has its own individual valve head complete with intake and exhaust valve. Valve heads of individual stages form the top part of the cylinder. The valves are spring loaded and operated by airflow. On the suction stroke the intake valves open and air flows into the cylinders. At the start of the compression stroke, the intake valve closes and the air opens the outlet valve allowing it to flow out of the cylinder.

All suction and discharge valves are spring-loaded, disc type valves consisting of a valve insert, valve spring, valve disc, and valve seat. On most models the suction valves are mounted at the bottom side of the valve head. The first stage cylinder has either a reed valve assembly between the head and cylinder or the valves installed from the topside of the valve head.

## Valve Head Maintenance

The cylinder heads should be checked after every 1000 operating hours on three stage and four stage compressors. It is important to check the security of the head bolts, cooler fittings and valve wear and cleanliness. To do so, disconnect the piping, remove the cap screws and lift off the head. Clean in a solution of mineral spirits and blow dry before removing the valves. Intake valves will be on the bottom side of the head, while exhaust valves are on the top. The exhaust valves are held in place by an Allen screw, covered by an acorn nut. Remove the acorn nut, then the Allen screw, and finally the exhaust valve.

**Note:** Detailed valve service information for each compressor model is obtained from the factory service manual for the specific compressor type.

It is usually sufficient to clean the valves with ship cloth and mineral spirits. Remove any oil, carbon, or dirt. Then clean heads with soap and water and blow dry. Heavier deposits might require the use of a glass beading machine, making sure to clean all leftover residue from the heads.

The exhaust valve of the final stage on compressors can be removed by using two screwdrivers to pop it out.

When re-installing the valve head, make sure that the adjusting screw on top is tightened after the valve head is torqued down on the cylinder, otherwise the stud will put too much pressure on the sealing surface of the final outlet valve. Detailed valve service is in the compressor service manual.

## Cylinder Removal

When removing and replacing the cylinders for any reason, the pistons must come up flush with the top edge of the cylinder. If the piston projects above the cylinder, add gaskets to the cylinder base until the piston is flush.

## Piston Final Stage

First and second stage (and third stage on 4-stage machines) pistons are normal compressor types with rings. On the 1999 and older compressor blocks, the final stage piston is free floating in a piston bushing, without rings. On the 2000 and newer compressor blocks, the final stage piston is free floating with polymer rings. When replacement of the final stage is required, the piston and bushing must be replaced as a unit.

## Automatic Drain System

Some compressor models are equipped, as a factory standard, with an automatic drain system for the inter-stage separators and the final oil and water separator. The automatic drain consists of an electronic timer (integrated into the PLC program), a solenoid valve, and the system drain blocks.

The compressor unit is automatically drained every 15 minutes for 6 seconds, and on shutdown. This feature will ensure that the compressor will always start unloaded. The drain system is designed to be fail-safe in the open position. This feature will drain the condensate at shutdown even if the interval timer fails to operate.

The o-rings and piston seals in the auto drain system are to be inspected and replaced bi-annually or every 1000 hours in order to ensure reliable service.

## Automatic Drain Operation

The operating air for the drain blocks is controlled by a solenoid that is connected by a hose from the 2nd stage separator. The timer of the PC energizes the solenoid in the closed position to direct air to actuate the pistons of the automatic drain blocks and prevent draining of the inter-stage air and condensate. The solenoid valve is de-energized for 6 seconds in the open position to drain the condensate from the separators. The connection of the solenoid valve in the normally open position creates a fail-safe drain system. The compressor is to be checked for auto drain cycling every month to be sure that the drain timer is functioning correctly.

## Service of the Automatic Drain

The auto drain system is simple and easy to service. To maintain product reliability Jordair recommends that the auto drain seats, cup seals and o-rings are replaced bi-annually or every 1000 hours. The pistons are to be inspected and if the sealing face shows imperfections or a wear line then they are to be replaced.

### Valve Body



### Low & High Pressure Pistons



### Seat Lower Body



### O-rings, Seat & Piston Cup Seal

### Service steps for the auto drain:

1. The service of the drain is done with the exhaust manifold remaining connected to the blocks.
2. Proceed to disconnect the pilot pressure line from the solenoid valve mounted on the electrical control box and the drain line from the manifold to the collection tank.
3. The Allen bolts (4 to a block) are loosened and removed from the drain assembly which will provide for the removal of the top manifold exposing the valve pistons on all drains and also the lower section containing the valve seat assembly.
4. This leaves the main section of the drain manifold with the block bodies mounted as a unit; the bodies can be removed to replace o-rings bi-annually.
5. The seats in the lower bases can be removed and new ones installed with new o-rings.
6. Push the pistons up and out of the drain bodies for inspection and seal and o-ring replacement.
7. Inspect and replace all rubber parts.
8. Check the pistons for any sign of wear or imperfection on the tapered sealing face, replace if wear is evident.
9. After carefully inspecting all components, lubricate the working parts with silicone lubricant and assemble the drain blocks.
10. When the automatic drain system is assembled: operate the compressor and check for leaks.
11. While the compressor is operating at 90% of the full system operating pressure, remove the drain hose from the manifold and check that the drain pistons are seated correctly and there is no sign of leaking air.

## Jordair Compressor Controls

The compressor is controlled by an industrial PLC with control sequence in a permanent memory E-PROM. In the event of an E-PROM failure the compressor can be repaired by the replacement of the control E-PROM. Contact Jordair for any desired changes to the control system, which is done by the installation of a newly programmed E-PROM with the required control changes. The compressor can be supplied with the PLC allowing some service technician interface or password protected.

## Controls and Indicator Functions

**Note: Not all compressors will have all of the following controls**

### Manual-Off-Auto Switch

This switch controls power to the compressor system. The manual mode allows the starting of the compressor by depressing the “start” switch. The compressor will stop automatically according to the pressure switch setting or by turning the manual switch to OFF. The compressor can be re-started manually when the air pressure drops below the pressure switch dead band setting.

### Auto Mode

In this selected switch position the compressor system is controlled by the air pressure switch (PSI), which turns the compressor on and off according to preset high air pressure limits as set by Jordair or as requested by the customer. The auto re-start pressure differential is according to the pressure switch dead band. The typical dead band range is approximately 500 PSIG. If the compressor shut down pressure is 5000 PSIG then in Auto mode the compressor will start when the pressure drops to approximately 4500 PSIG.

### Start Switch

This push type switch starts the compressor in the selected manual mode position provided the system pressure is below the pressure switch dead band setting.

### LOP Fault Indicator Light and Audible Alarm

A low oil pressure or an oil pressure fluctuation can cause a lubrication failure shut down condition. Check the oil level before attempting to start the compressor. In order to restart the machine the “Manual-off-Auto” switch must be turned “Off”, and then back to the selected mode of operation. This will re-set the oil pressure switch inter-lock delay timer in the control PLC. There is a 30 second delay on the compressor start cycle to allow the oil pressure to register on the pressure switch before the fault latch of the PLC is interlocked.

## HAT Fault Indicator Light and Audible Alarm

The compressor is equipped with a high air temperature sensor and shut down feature set at 275° F. The high temperature fault condition activates the light and audible alarm system in the event of a high temperature condition of the final stage of the compressor. This safety device indicates that system shutdown has occurred due to overheating of the compressor (high air temperature). To restart the machine the "Manual-Off-Auto" switch must be turned "Off", and then back to the selected mode of operation. Check the compressor carefully and ensure that it rotates easily before starting. Observe the compressor operation to find the reason for the temperature-actuated shutdown. The compressor can be started again when the unit temperature drops sufficiently to allow the switch contacts to return to the normal contact position.

***Important!*** *The safety functions of the high air temperature and low oil pressure alarms and shutdown are also operational in the "Manual" mode, thus affording full protection on manual as well as auto operation.*

## Silence Button for the Audible Alarms

The fault alarm will sound until the Manual – Off Auto switch is turned to the off position to stop the fault alarm. This will reset the audible alarm feature of the control system.

## Power on Light

The electrical supply power light indicator is on in both manual and auto mode. If the light is on it indicates that there is power into the starter of the compressor unit. The power on light confirms the compressor is energized and depending on the operational switch selection mode the compressor may start at any time.

## Compressor Automated Controls after 2019

Compressors are supplied with onboard digital screens that give the current running conditions and will **"flash red"** when an alarm condition exists. Follow the instructions on the screen. All alarm conditions will clear when turning the on/off switch to off position, then switch back on. IF the alarm condition still exists the unit will not run. Note that manual run option has been discontinued. There are only 2 modes of operation Off and Auto.

## Initial Operating Sequence

1. Place the "Manual-Off-Auto" switch in "Off" position.

2. Connect the supply power at the correct voltage, from the customer's fused disconnect switch. This switch is to be visible from the compressor and to have clear access in an emergency in accordance with Canadian Electrical codes. Be sure to install a lockable switch to ensure the compressor can be locked out electrically during service and maintenance procedures.
3. Engage the disconnect switch and supply power to the compressor, check that the unit has power as indicated by the power-on light. Turn the selector switch to manual and push the start button to momentarily bump the compressor to check that the rotation is correct. All Jordair compressors rotate in a counter clockwise direction when viewed from the drive pulley side.

**Note: The Fan blows the cooling air across the compressor block and coolers exhausting the heated air on the opposite side to the flywheel.**

**Caution! Incorrect rotation will result in a premature compressor failure due to a higher overall machine temperature.**

4. Start the compressor in either Auto or Manual mode. Current will flow through the PSI air pressure switch. This will energize the motor starter (M1), the elapsed timer meter (ETM), the purge timer (PTR) and the low oil pressure timer (TR1). The power continues through contacts 95 and 96 of the overload relay to the grounded side of the transformer T1 secondary. When the starter M1 energizes, auxiliary contacts 13 and 14 close, locking the system in the operating condition.

**Note A:** The Air Pressure switch, (PSI), is wired so that it is normally closed, and opens on rising pressure. The pressure switch (PSI) is active in both manual and auto circuits so that the system shuts down at the preset final air pressure.

**Note B:** The oil pressure delay timer (TR1) will time out after a preset time period of 30 seconds and if the oil pressure is normal, (70 psig nominal), the compressor will continue to run normally. If the oil pressure drops to 45 PSIG, it closes the normally open contacts on (PS2 - the oil pressure switch), which turns on the (LOP) indicator light and audible alarm and shuts the compressor down.

**Note C:** The temperature switch is wired normally open and closes on rising temperature, which turns on the high temperature indicator light and audible alarm and shuts the compressor down.

**Note D:** To re-start the system after a low oil, high temperature, or any safety shutdown and lockout: re-set the "Manual-Auto" switch to "Off", and then back to either manual or auto to start the compressor.

## Compressor Air Pressure Switch

The start-up and shutdown of the compressor is controlled through the air pressure switch (PS1). If the compressor air switch requires adjustment, use the following procedures:

1. Start compressor and run it until the unit shuts down.
2. Release the pressure from the compressor system to a point that the compressor starts in the auto mode.
3. Remove the cover of the pressure switch.
4. Note the pressure and rotate the adjusting screw on the pressure switch one-half turn clock-wise to increase the pressure setting, or counter-clockwise to decrease the setting. Repeat Step 1.
5. Repeat Step No. 4 until desired shutdown pressure setting is reached.

Note: The only apparent difference between the air switch and the oil switch is the pressure rating and the high-pressure switch has a stainless steel sensor and connecting tube. The oil switch sensor is brass and the oil line is a flexible hose.

## Compressor Air / Oil Pressure Transmitter 2019

Compressor start/stop and oil pressure is achieved by current to pressure transmitters that send a live pressure reading to the computer and is displayed on the screen. Transmitters cannot be calibrated or adjusted.

## Compressor Air Temperature Sensor 2019

Unit is supplied with a final temperature sensor installed on the final stage head. It monitors the outgoing air after compression with a set point of 300 Deg F or 150 Deg C alarm point. The alarm condition will correct when the head temperature drops to 270 Deg F or 132 Deg C.

## Compressor Oil Switch

Occasionally oil pressure switches may require re-adjustment due to spring set from time, vibration or other factors encountered in normal use. Oil pressure switch settings are to be checked annually to ensure the safety shutdown is functioning correctly.

Re-adjustment is as follows:

1. Use a multi-meter across the switch contacts to verify the low oil set pressure.
2. Start the compressor and operate for one minute to allow the oil pressure to stabilize then shut down.
3. Start the compressor and note the pressure on the gauge when the contacts open on the switch. If required correct the contact opening pressure.

## Service of the Final Oil and Water Separator

The final separator contains a micro-fibre or sintered element type cartridge, which separates the free water and oil droplets causing them to collect in the bottom section of the chamber. The process air stream enters a tube in the centre of the element and passes through a number of side holes. The air then flows through the micro-fibre or sintered metal element into the open area of the chamber. The oil and water droplets are collected by the element and move down its fibre structure to drip off and collect in the chamber base. The air is also cooling and moisture is collecting on the chamber walls. The accumulating liquids are drained to collection, either manually or by an automatic drain device. The separator micro-fibre element is to be changed at the same intervals as the purification cartridges; sintered elements are to be changed every 12 months.

### Sintered Element



### Micro-Fibre Element



### Changing of the element:

1. Be sure to vent all pressure from the compressor system before attempting to service the separator.
2. Disconnect the tubing on both sides of the top cap. Remove the top cap from the chamber to expose the element and stem assembly. The Bauer sintered element is to be cleaned every 3 to 6 months and replaced once a year.
3. Remove the bottom plastic retaining plate and change the micro-fiber element; it is to be changed according to the correct hours of use or every 6 months as specified by Jordair in accordance with the CSA requirements for correct service of breathing air systems.
4. Change the o-ring and back up rings on the chamber cap.
5. Be sure to lubricate the o-rings, the sealing surface of the chamber and the threads before installing the cap in the separator or the barrel onto the base cap.
6. Install the cap and return it to the correct position to the match tubing.
7. After completing the cartridge changes start the compressor and check the system for any leaks.

### Service of the Pressure Maintaining Valve

The pressure-maintaining valve of the filter system provides a backpressure to ensure the highest degree of moisture removal efficiency is achieved by the desiccant in the purification bed. The desiccant reaches the highest level of efficiency at operating pressures above 2000 PSIG. The normal set pressure for the pressure-maintaining valve in a 5000 PSIG and higher filter system is 2800 PSIG. To provide optimum service of this valve the seat and o-rings are to be replaced once a year.

Support



Spring Retainer



Lock



Adjuster



Seat



Body



Spring



Stem



Nozzle

1. To service the valve slowly vent the air in the purification system via the vent valve mounted on the side of the pressure-maintaining valve.
2. Turn the upper adjusting screw counter clockwise and remove from the upper section of the valve.
3. Remove the spring retainer from the body of the valve to allow removal of the stem and seat assembly, replace the seat and o-ring on the stem assembly.
4. The body is to be unscrewed from the connecting fitting to allow removal of the stainless seat nozzle assembly so that the o-ring can be replaced. Check the nozzle for any imperfections and replace if damaged.
5. Re-assemble the valve and using a pressure gauge connected to the side port set the valve to open at 2800 PSIG.

**Caution:**

**Do not set above 2800 PSIG or tighten until the valve will not open.**

**Always release all pressure before repairing any tubing or system air leaks.**

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### **To: All Operators of Bauer/JMAR and Jordair Breathing Air Compressors**

Jordair is the exclusive Canadian Agent for Bauer Kompressoren GmbH for the Sales, Assembly and Service of breathing air systems with Bauer compressor blocks. Please refer to the Bauer "Authorization Letter" dated April 03, 2006 in accordance with the CSA standard for breathing air.

Jordair as an accredited ISO 9001-2008 company and follows the recommendations of CSA Standard CAN/CSA Z180.1-00 for Breathing Air to ensure the highest degree of safety and reliability in all Jordair/Bauer breathing air systems.

The following is the Jordair Compressors Inc. policy and factory requirements for authorized service technicians, which became effective May 1st 2002.

- Only Jordair Compressors Inc. factory trained service technicians holding current training certificates are authorized by Jordair to work on Jordair, Bauer or JMAR compressor systems operating in Canada.
- Jordair technical service representatives are required to participate in a refresher course every 2-year's in order to have a valid certificate.
- Any unauthorized service of Jordair/Bauer breathing air systems will result in a void of any and all warranty. See the Bauer "Authorization Letter".
- Any compressor system using a Bauer block and assembled in Canada other than by Jordair Compressors Inc. is void of any and all Jordair and Bauer Kompressoren GmbH. Factory warranty.

The implementation of factory recommended service intervals as per CSA:

**CSA Standard Clause 5.7** "The installation, inspection, testing, operation, maintenance, and repair of components of a compressed breathing air system shall be performed as specified by the manufacturers of the components of the compressed breathing air system".

The proper service of these ultra-high pressure systems will ensure operator safety, compressor reliability and the highest quality of breathing air. In order to comply with the current CSA standard the compressor system must be checked and serviced at regular intervals by factory certified technicians as specified in the CSA standard.

CSA Standard Clause 7.1 General, "Air compressors shall be installed, maintained, and operated in accordance with the manufacturer's instructions".

As the manufacturer and Exclusive Canadian Agent for Bauer Kompressoren GmbH., Jordair has implemented the following procedures for the safe operation and qualified technical service of the breathing air products supplied.

- All Jordair/Bauer/JMAR compressor systems producing breathing air except with a Securus Moisture Monitor are to have the purification cartridges changed every 6-month even if the life span of the cartridge in operating hours has not been reached.
- Purification systems supplied with a Securus Moisture Monitor can be operated beyond six months and up to one year or until the yellow warning light comes on, whichever comes first.
- To guarantee air purity standards and warranty requirements only original Jordair or Bauer purification cartridges will be used in the Jordair/Bauer/JMAR breathing air systems.
- The compressor system will be checked once a year for pressure leaks and the minimum service will include a filter and oil change.
- Only Jordair factory certified technicians with current certificates are authorized to service Jordair/Bauer/JMAR systems in Canada.

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## RECOMMENDED PROCEDURE FOR TESTING PURIFIED AIR

The testing of high pressure breathing air can often result in a failure to meet the CSA standard unless procedures are followed to avoid obtaining inaccurate results. There are four factors that are often found that can lead to an incorrect test of the air sample. If the sample is not taken in the most controlled manner an air test can fail on one or more of these. The main failure reasons are listed below and the sample method is provided to assist the technician to avoid receiving an incorrect test result when complying with the current and (NEW pending CSA breathing Air Standard CAN/CSA-Z180.1-09).

1. High Moisture: this can occur if the test cylinder has not been properly controlled or purged; a long synthetic sample hose will raise dew point.
2. High Carbon Dioxide: this condition is normally due to high atmospheric levels of CO<sub>2</sub> from local industry. If the condition is a normal occurrence then a CO<sub>2</sub> removal inlet scrubber or a CO<sub>2</sub> removing high pressure chamber must be added to the compressor. Ensuring a clean source of the compressor fresh air intake away from any potential source of CO or CO<sub>2</sub> contamination will help to avoid failed test results.
3. High Oxygen: this is an unusual test failure and it will occur with a new drying/purifying cartridge change out. If the test is done with very little compressor running time prior to taking the air sample the molecular sieve bed will adsorb nitrogen and increase the oxygen content of the air. This is a short-term effect and stabilizes once the compressor has run for 60 minutes or longer and the cartridge purged. See air test procedures.
4. Test Equipment Calibration: this is the least common reason for a test failure. The testing lab must ensure that the equipment is correctly calibrated. Always use a recognized and accredited air test facility for the CSA air testing.

**PLEASE NOTE:** The nature of the air stream adsorbing desiccant and the other cartridge materials is they will initially store and release various gases (O<sub>2</sub> & CO<sub>2</sub>) back into the air stream unless the system is purged.

In order to have an accurate test the following procedures will correct for these physical properties of the cartridge materials and help to ensure accurate test results.

## AIR TEST PROCEDURES:

- Follow the manufacturers recommended procedure for the filter change intervals as well as the CSA standard requirements.
- Check the setting of the Pressure Maintaining Valve (PMV) and ensure it is set at 1800 PSIG to 2500 PSIG to provide efficient adsorption of moisture and other impurities by the filter cartridge.
- Operate the compressor for 90 to 120 minutes before proceeding with the air test.
- In order to balance the new cartridge the filter system must be depressurized to about 200 PSIG three times to release the retained O<sub>2</sub> and CO<sub>2</sub> from within the desiccant cell structure. Note: always depressurize the filter system slowly to avoid any damage to the cartridge.
- After 60 minutes of operation slowly open the lower vent valve on the PMV valve and bleed out the pressure in the filter system. This must be done slowly to avoid physical damage to the filter media due to rapid depressurization of the system.
- To avoid any issues of rapid decompression of the filter system it is prudent to consider the install of an orifice up-stream of the vent valve.
- Closed the valve and allow the unit to come up to pressure, repeat this twice more to ensure any adsorbed O<sub>2</sub> or CO<sub>2</sub> has come out of the adsorbing materials.
- Isolate the storage system (Close valves)
- Connect the sample cylinder directly to the compressor discharge point located after the filter system or at the fill station. It is important to verify the system air quality, always test at the SCBA fill point. Using a stainless steel connecting line to the fill station will ensure the most accurate test results. A long length of high-pressure flex hose can affect the moisture content of the air due to moisture migration into the hose material.
- Follow the accredited laboratory's procedure for filling the sample cylinder. When using another sample cylinder, it is a safe practice to purge and leave a positive pressure of 200 PSIG in the sample cylinder before taking the actual test sample. The positive pressure of 200 PSIG will avoid any atmospheric moisture entering the cylinder during the purging process.
- Now the system is ready and the test sample can be taken with the confidence that it will be accurate and provide the desired test results.
- Fill the test cylinder and send it to the testing lab. Do not use a non-certified test cylinder such as a SCBA or other cylinder. The testing lab will provide a certified dry and clean sample cylinder to assure test accuracy.
- The CSA standard requires the air test to be done by an approved and certified testing facility every 6 months. Valid test results can only be achieved by using the air test cylinder supplied by the certified and Canadian approved Air Testing Facility.
- Contact CSA for a list of the approved testing facilities to ensure that you are being provided with a fully Canadian Standard (CSA) approved and certified air test.

## GENERAL RECOMMENDATIONS:

CSA has recommendations for ensuring the operation of a safe high pressure breathing air system. Please obtain a copy of the current standard to ensure your system complies with all local and federal agencies. Compliance with the Provincial Boiler and Pressure Vessels Department and the Worker Safety Department is a part of the CSA standard.

- All operators of high pressure breathing air systems are to be trained thoroughly to follow correct procedures for the handling and recharging of SCBA cylinders. All operator/service training is to be done by a certified representative for the equipment installed.
- Jordair recommends that all operators and service persons should attend a refresher course every 2-years to remain current and learn any new regulations or safety updates.
- Supplementary to the CSA required 6 month air test, Jordair recommends an air sample tube test is taken of the air system every 3 months. This simple test will ensure that the breathing air within the operational period of the cartridge is meeting the CSA standard right up to the change out of the cartridge. This tube test method can be done more often if desired.
- The Bauer Air test kit available from Jordair will provide this level of safety and operator security during the full cartridge live. The kit comes with a full selection of sampling tubes.
- Removal of a filter cartridge to check a litmus color strip supplied on some manufactures filter cartridges is not recommended. The process of opening the chamber and removal of the cartridge will contaminate the inside of the chamber with moisture and will affect air quality.
- High pressure 4.5 & 5.5 SCBA cylinders and 5000 PSIG as well as 6000 PSIG systems require factory certified, properly trained operators and technical service people to ensure safe filling of SCBA cylinders. See the CSA standard.
- There is no method to control the ambient air to a compressor. The CSA standard states all diesel and gasoline units shall be equipped with a CO monitoring system and alarm feature. The CSA standard also states that electric drive compressors are to be equipped with a CO monitor with alarm and unit shut down feature, unless the operator can be 100% assured that CO cannot enter the intake of the compressor.

## Motor Voltage and Amp Load

Single phase AC Motors Full-Load Current in Amperes (see Notes (1) to (4))

HP Rating	115 V	230 V
1/6	4.4	2.2
1/4	5.8	2.9
1/3	7.2	3.6
1/2	9.8	4.9
3/4	13.8	6.9
1	16	8
1 1/2	20	10
2	24	12
3	34	17
5	56	28
7 1/2	80	40
10	100	50

**Notes:**

- For full-load currents of 208 and 200 V motors, increase the corresponding 230 V motor full-load current by 10 and 15% respectively.
- These values of motor full-load current are to be used as guides only. Where exact values are required (e.g., for motor protection), always use those appearing on the motor nameplate.
- These values of full-load current are for motors running at usual speeds and motors with normal torque characteristics. Motors built for especially low speeds or high torques may have higher full-load currents, and multi speed motors will have full-load current varying with speed, in which case the nameplate current ratings shall be used.
- The voltages listed are rated motor voltages. Corresponding Nominal System Voltages are 120 and 240 V. Refer to CSA Standard CAN3-C235-M83, Preferred Voltage Level for AC Systems, 0 to 50,000 volts.

Three-phase AC Motors Full-Load Current in Amperes  
Induction Type, Squirrel Cage and Wound Rotor

HP Rating	115 V	230 V	460 V	575 V	2300 V
1/2	4	2	1	0.8	
1/4	5.6	2.8	1.4	1.1	
1	7.2	3.6	1.8	1.4	
1 1/2	10.4	5.2	2.6	2.1	
2	13.6	6.8	3.4	2.7	
3		9.6	4.8	3.9	
5		15.2	7.6	6.1	
7 1/2		22	11	9	
10		28	14	11	
15		42	21	17	
20		54	27	22	
25		68	34	27	
30		80	40	32	
40		104	52	41	
50		130	65	52	
60		154	77	62	16
75		192	96	77	20
100		248	124	99	26

## TROUBLESHOOTING

Trouble	Probable Cause	Remedy
<b>Motor becomes overloaded when driving compressor.</b>	Compressor cylinders, connecting rod bearings, crankshaft or piston rings worn or scored. Low motor voltage or bearings seizing	Replace scored parts with new parts. Check mains and confirm voltage is correct. Verify motor at service centre
<b>Compressor oil pressure gauge not indicating any pressure.</b>	Foreign material on oil pressure regulator seat.	Remove regulator and clean or replace ball & seat.
	Compressor oil pump parts worn sufficiently to prevent adequate pumping of oil to regulator.  Incorrect regulator valve setting.	Remove, disassemble, and clean pump. If any parts worn out replace pump.  Replace regulating valve.
<b>Plastic sight lens shows air bubbles.</b>	Oil pressure regulator dirty.	Clean and re-adjust oil pressure regulator.
	4th stage piston worn	Run compressor with 4th stage valve head removed for one minute. If some oil collects on piston cylinder edge, OK. If oil flows out, renew piston bushing and piston.
<b>First stage pressure gauge not indicating normal air pressure.</b>	Faulty suction or discharge valve in first stage cylinder.	Remove, inspect, repair or replace faulty parts.
	Air leaking from first stage piping or inter-cooler lines.	Tighten connections on tube lines or replace fittings not seating properly. Replace any leaking piping or tube lines.
	Gauge snubber or lines clogged.	Clean snubber or lines and check gauge for blocked ports.
	Compressor air intake clogged or dirty element.  Safety valve leaking.	Clean intake line and replace filter element.  Remove, repair and reset or replace. (factory re-set only of relief valves)

Trouble	Probable Cause	Remedy
<b>Air Receiver pressure gauge indicating a higher than normal pressure.</b>	Pressure switch set too high. Line to pressure switch blocked. Pressure switch inoperative.	Reset pressure switch. Remove line and clean. Replace pressure switch.
<b>Auto drain fails to dump while compressor is in operation.</b>	Check PLC program	Check the setting on the timer and reset (15 min. off and 6 sec. on.) Replace the drain timer.
<b>Auto drain leaks.</b>	Faulty seat or piston.	Replace worn parts.
<b>Auto drain has continuous vent of air.</b>	Failed solenoid or timer. Worn seat or pistons in auto drain	Check solenoid and replace body or coil. Service auto drain check and replace seats or piston if leaking

## DAILY SCBA LOG

Date	Operator	Hours		Oil level, Pressure	Check Stage					SCBA		SCBA		SCBA	
		START	END		1	2	3	4	5	SERIAL#	PRESS.	SERIAL#	PRESS.	SERIAL#	PRESS.

**CSA Standard CAN3 Z180.1-00:**

Art. 4.6.5- A log of periodic replacement of absorbent media shall be maintained.

**Purification & Dehydration cartridges shall be replaced every 6 months (minimum)  
or as soon as cartridge reaches it's rated hours of operation**

Art. 4.3.8- Air produced for breathing shall be submitted every 6 months.

Art. 4.3.9- Routine maintenance shall be performed every 6 months.

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