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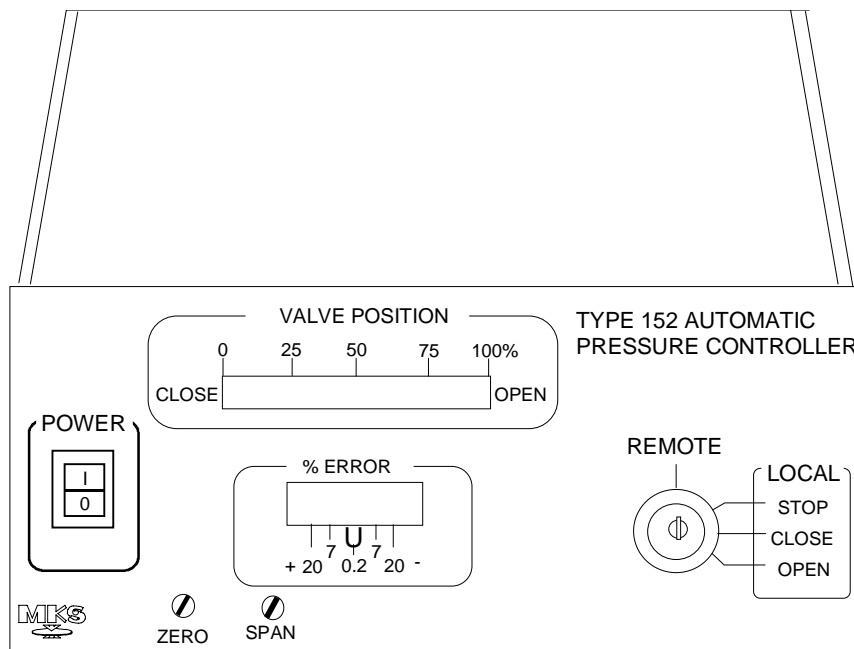
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Safety Information

Symbols Used in This Instruction Manual

Definitions of WARNING, CAUTION, and NOTE messages used throughout the manual.

Warning  The **WARNING** sign denotes a hazard. It calls attention to a procedure, practice, condition, or the like, which, if not correctly performed or adhered to, could result in injury to personnel.

Caution  The **CAUTION** sign denotes a hazard. It calls attention to an operating procedure, practice, or the like, which, if not correctly performed or adhered to, could result in damage to or destruction of all or part of the product.

Note  The **NOTE** sign denotes important information. It calls attention to a procedure, practice, condition, or the like, which is essential to highlight.

Symbols Found on the Unit

The following table describes symbols that may be found on the unit.















Definition of Symbols Found on the Unit			
			
On (Supply) IEC 417, No.5007	Off (Supply) IEC 417, No.5008	Earth (ground) IEC 417, No.5017	Protective earth (ground) IEC 417, No.5019
			
Frame or chassis IEC 417, No.5020	Equipotentiality IEC 417, No.5021	Direct current IEC 417, No.5031	Alternating Current IEC 417, No. 5032
			
Both direct and alternating Current IEC 417, No.5033-a	Class II equipment IEC 417, No.5172-a	Three phase alternating Current IEC 617-2 No. 020206	
			
Caution, refer to accompanying documents ISO 3864, No. B.3.1	Caution, risk of electric shock ISO 3864, No. B.3.6	Caution, hot surface IEC 417, No. 5041	

Table 1: Definition of Symbols Found on the Unit

Safety Procedures and Precautions

The following general safety precautions must be observed during all phases of operation of this instrument. Failure to comply with these precautions or with specific warnings elsewhere in this manual violates safety standards of intended use of the instrument and may impair the protection provided by the equipment. MKS Instruments, Inc. assumes no liability for the customer's failure to comply with these requirements.

DO NOT SUBSTITUTE PARTS OR MODIFY INSTRUMENT

Do not install substitute parts or perform any unauthorized modification to the instrument. Return the instrument to an MKS Calibration and Service Center for service and repair to ensure that all safety features are maintained.

SERVICE BY QUALIFIED PERSONNEL ONLY

Operating personnel must not remove instrument covers. Component replacement and internal adjustments must be made by qualified service personnel only.

GROUNDING THE PRODUCT

This product is grounded through the grounding conductor of the power cord. To avoid electrical shock, plug the power cord into a properly wired receptacle before connecting it to the product input or output terminals. A protective ground connection by way of the grounding conductor in the power cord is essential for safe operation.

DANGER ARISING FROM LOSS OF GROUND

Upon loss of the protective-ground connection, all accessible conductive parts (including knobs and controls that may appear to be insulating) can render an electrical shock.

GROUND AND USE PROPER ELECTRICAL FITTINGS

Dangerous voltages are contained within this instrument. All electrical fittings and cables must be of the type specified, and in good condition. All electrical fittings must be properly connected and grounded.

USE THE PROPER POWER CORD

Use only a power cord that is in good condition and which meets the input power requirements specified in the manual.

Use only a detachable cord set with conductors that have a cross-sectional area equal to or greater than 0.75 mm². The power cable should be approved by a qualified agency such as VDE, Semko, or SEV.

USE THE PROPER POWER SOURCE

This product is intended to operate from a power source that does not apply more voltage between the supply conductors, or between either of the supply conductors and ground, than that specified in the manual.

USE THE PROPER FUSE

Use only a fuse of the correct type, voltage rating, and current rating, as specified for your product.

DO NOT OPERATE IN EXPLOSIVE ATMOSPHERES

To avoid explosion, do not operate this product in an explosive environment unless it has been specifically certified for such operation.

HIGH VOLTAGE DANGER

High voltage is present in the cable and the sensor when the controller is turned on.

Chapter One: General Information

Introduction

The Type 152H Exhaust Valve Controller works with the Type 253 Exhaust Valve to maintain a constant pressure in a process chamber by varying the pumping speed. The 152 controller provides ± 15 VDC power output and accepts the pressure input from a variety of pressure transducers.

The 152 controller determines the position of the 253 valve based on the actual pressure of the process chamber compared to the desired, or set point, temperature. The set point can be defined by an external analog signal, or, when the RS-232 Interface option is installed, a remote signal sent from an external computer. You can issue digital commands to control the valve action and force the valve to open, close, or stop, and to initiate the softstart mode.

The standard 152 controller is configured for Position Control/Valve Position Output (PC/VPO) control in addition to the normal pressure control. The *Position* Control mode controls the position of the valve relative to an external set point. The normal *Pressure* Control mode positions the valve based on the pressure of the system, relative to an external set point. The PC/VPO mode can be replaced with the optional Remote Zero/Valve Position Output (RZ/VPO) mode. The RZ/VPO option allows you to remotely zero the 152 controller.

The RS-232 Interface option adds RS-232 communication capabilities to the 152 controller. This option allows you to select the mode of operation, and to control the valve directly, using serial communications.

A Typical Control System

The 152 controller is used in a wide variety of control systems, however, several characteristics are common in most control systems. Typically, the control system consists of three basic parts:

- The pressure sensor or transducer
- The controller and the control valve
- The pressure system (whose pressure is being controlled)

The pressure sensor or transducer is normally a MKS Baratron® Capacitance Manometer whose output is 0 to 10 VDC. The pressure system consists of a process chamber and a pumping system. Normally, a mass flow controller regulates the flow of gas entering the system, while the 152 controller and the 253 valve maintain the system pressure.

How The Type 152 Controller Works

The 152 controller reads the DC pressure transducer signal, compares it to a predefined set point, and places the valve in a position to maintain, or achieve, the set point pressure. The controller utilizes the most widely accepted form of controller action; Proportional, Integral, Derivative, or PID control. The 152 controller uses the following PID equation:

$$\text{Signal to Valve} = P(E) + \int (E)dt + D(dE/dt)$$

The Error

The error is defined as:

$$\text{Error} = \text{Set Point} - \text{Actual Reading}$$

When the actual pressure reading is less than the set point value, the error term is a positive value. Therefore, the signal to the valve increases to close the valve. As the valve closes, less gas is pumped out of the process chamber, so the pressure rises. Eventually, the pressure rises to meet the set point value.

When the actual pressure reading exceeds the set point value, the error term is a negative value. Therefore, the signal to the valve decreases to open the valve. As the valve opens, the pressure in the system is reduced because more gas is pumped out of the process chamber. Eventually, the pressure decreases to meet the set point value.

Note



The action of the valve is reversed when the Normal/Reverse switch on the PC board is in the Reverse position. The default setting is Normal.

The front panel of the 152 controller has an Error indicator that displays the error.

The Proportional Term

The proportional term is a linear function of the error signal. The Gain control adjusts the proportional term. Typically, a higher gain setting yields the most accurate control.

The Derivative Term

The derivative term is proportional to the rate of change of the error signal (up to some maximum value). The Phase Lead control adjusts the derivative term.

The derivative term anticipates the effect of the valve action on the system. It acts to achieve the set point pressure with minimal overshoot or undershoot. The effect of the derivative term is to cancel out the build-up of lags inherent in the system.

The Integral Term

The integral term is proportional to the length of time that the error signal exists. Therefore, as time passes, the integral term acts to position the valve to reduce the error signal to zero.

How This Manual is Organized

This manual is designed to provide instructions on how to set up and install a Type 152 unit.

Before installing your Type 152 unit in a system and/or operating it, carefully read and familiarize yourself with all precautionary notes in the *Safety Messages and Procedures* section at the front of this manual. In addition, observe and obey all WARNING and CAUTION notes provided throughout the manual.

Chapter One: General Information, (this chapter) introduces the product and describes the organization of the manual.

Chapter Two: Installation, explains the environmental requirements and describes how to mount the instrument in your system.

Chapter Three: Overview, gives a brief description of the instrument and its functionality.

Chapter Four: Operation, describes how to use the instrument and explains all the functions and features.

Chapter Five: Remote Zero and Valve Position Control, details the features included with this option.

Chapter Six: RS-232 Communications, outlines the RS-232 communications protocol and features provided by the optional RS-232 interface.

Chapter Seven: Maintenance, describes basic maintenance procedures.

Appendix A: Product Specifications, lists the specifications of the instrument.

Appendix B: Model Code Explanation, describes the instrument's ordering code.

Terminology

The term “transducer” is used throughout the manual to describe the pressure measuring device, although the 152 controller can work with either transducers or sensors. Strictly speaking, a transducer converts the voltage signal into a pressure reading and outputs the actual pressure value, whereas a sensor outputs the raw voltage reading to a signal conditioner which converts the voltage reading into the pressure value.

Customer Support

Standard maintenance and repair services are available at all of our regional MKS Calibration and Service Centers, listed on the back cover. In addition, MKS accepts the instruments of other manufacturers for recalibration using the Primary and Transfer Standard calibration equipment located at all of our regional service centers. Should any difficulties arise in the use of your Type 152 instrument, or to obtain information about companion products MKS offers, contact any authorized MKS Calibration and Service Center. If it is necessary to return the instrument to MKS, please obtain an ERA Number (Equipment Return Authorization Number) from the MKS Calibration and Service Center before shipping. The ERA Number expedites handling and ensures proper servicing of your instrument.

Please refer to the inside of the back cover of this manual for a list of MKS Calibration and Service Centers.

Warning

All returns to MKS Instruments must be free of harmful, corrosive, radioactive, or toxic materials.

Chapter Two: Installation

How To Unpack the Type 152 Unit

MKS has carefully packed the Type 152 unit so that it will reach you in perfect operating order. Upon receiving the unit, however, you should check for defects, cracks, broken connectors, etc., to be certain that damage has not occurred during shipment.

Note

Do *not* discard any packing materials until you have completed your inspection and are sure the unit arrived safely.

If you find any damage, notify your carrier and MKS immediately. If it is necessary to return the unit to MKS, obtain an ERA Number (Equipment Return Authorization Number) from the MKS Service Center before shipping. Please refer to the inside of the back cover of this manual for a list of MKS Calibration and Service Centers.

Caution

Only qualified individuals should perform the installation and any user adjustments. They must comply with all the necessary ESD and handling precautions while installing and adjusting the instrument. Proper handling is essential when working with all highly sensitive precision electronic instruments.

Unpacking Checklist

Standard Equipment

- Type 152 Unit
- Type 152 Instruction Manual (this book)
- Power cord
- Key

Note

The 152 controller includes a Position Control/Valve Position Output control board, unless you order the optional Remote Zero/Valve Position Output board.

Optional Equipment

- Electrical Connector Accessories Kit:
152H-K1 (includes an I/O connector for the rear panel of the unit, a cover for the I/O connector, and a screw lock assembly for the I/O connector cover)
- RS-232 Communications Interface
- RS-232 Communications Cable
- System Interface Cables (refer to Table 2, page 11)
- Remote Zero/Valve Position Output board
(in place of the Position Control/Valve Position Output board)
- Rack Mounting Kit (RM-6)

Interface Cables

As of January 1, 1996, most products shipped to the European Community must comply with the EMC Directive 89/336/EEC, which covers radio frequency emissions and immunity tests. In addition, as of January 1, 1997, some products shipped to the European Community must also comply with the Product Safety Directive 92/59/EEC and Low-Voltage Directive 73/23/EEC, which cover general safety practices for design and workmanship. MKS products that meet these requirements are identified by application of the CE Mark.

To ensure compliance with EMC Directive 89/336/EEC, an overall metal braided shielded cable, properly grounded at both ends, is required during use. No additional installation requirements are necessary to ensure compliance with Directives 92/59/EEC and 73/23/EEC.

Note



1. Overall metal braided shielded cables, properly grounded at both ends, are required to meet CE Mark specifications.
2. To order metal braided shielded cables, add an “S” after the cable type designation. For example, to order a standard cable to connect the 152 unit to a Type 627 transducer, use part number CB258-1-10; for a metal braided, shielded cable, use part number CB258S-1-10.

System Interface Cables

The system interface cables include cables to connect the 152 controller to a transducer or to the 253B valve, as well the adapter cable necessary to replace a 152A-E unit with a 152H unit.

System Interface Cables		
To Connect the 152 Unit To...	Use the MKS Cable...	
	Standard	Shielded
122, 124, 223, 622, and 623 transducers	CB254-2-10	CB254S-2-10
121 and 221 transducers	CB254-1-10	CB254S-1-10
220 transducer	CB254-4-10	CB254S-4-10
127, 258, 358, 558624, 626, and 627 transducers	CB258-1-10	CB258S-1-10
128, 625, and 628 transducers	CB128-2-10	CB128S-1-10
PDR-C-1C/2C, PDR-D-1, and PDR-5B units	CB254-17-6	CB254S-17-6
120 transducer with a separate power supply	CB120-3-10	CB120S-3-10
253B valve	CB651-30-10	CB651S-30-10
Replaces a 152A-E unit with a Type 152H	CB652-2-1	CB652S-2-1

Table 2: System Interface Cables

Generic Shielded Cable Description

MKS offers a full line of cables for all MKS equipment. Should you choose to manufacture your own cables, follow the guidelines listed below:

1. The cable must have an overall metal *braided* shield, covering all wires. Neither aluminum foil nor spiral shielding will be as effective; using either may nullify regulatory compliance.
2. The connectors must have a metal case which has direct contact to the cable's shield on the whole circumference of the cable. The inductance of a flying lead or wire from the shield to the connector will seriously degrade the shield's effectiveness. The shield should be grounded to the connector before its internal wires exit.
3. With very few exceptions, the connector(s) must make good contact to the device's case (ground). "Good contact" is about 0.01 ohms; and the ground should surround all wires. Contact to ground at just one point may not suffice.
4. For shielded cables with flying leads at one or both ends; it is important at each such end, to ground the shield *before* the wires exit. Make this ground with absolute minimum length. Refer to Figures 1 and 2, page 13. (A ¼ inch piece of #22 wire may be undesirably long since it has approximately 5 nH of inductance, equivalent to 31 ohms at 1000 MHz). After picking up the braid's ground, keep wires and braid flat against the case. With very few exceptions, grounded metal covers are not required over terminal strips. If one is required, it will be stated in the Declaration of Conformity or in the instruction manual.
5. In selecting the appropriate type and wire size for cables, consider:
 - A. The voltage ratings;
 - B. The cumulative I^2R heating of all the conductors (keep them safely cool);
 - C. The IR drop of the conductors, so that adequate power or signal voltage gets to the device;
 - D. The capacitance and inductance of cables which are handling fast signals, (such as data lines or stepper motor drive cables); and
 - E. That some cables may need internal shielding from specific wires to others; please see the instruction manual for details regarding this matter.

Example 1: Preferred Method To Connect Cable
(shown on a transducer)

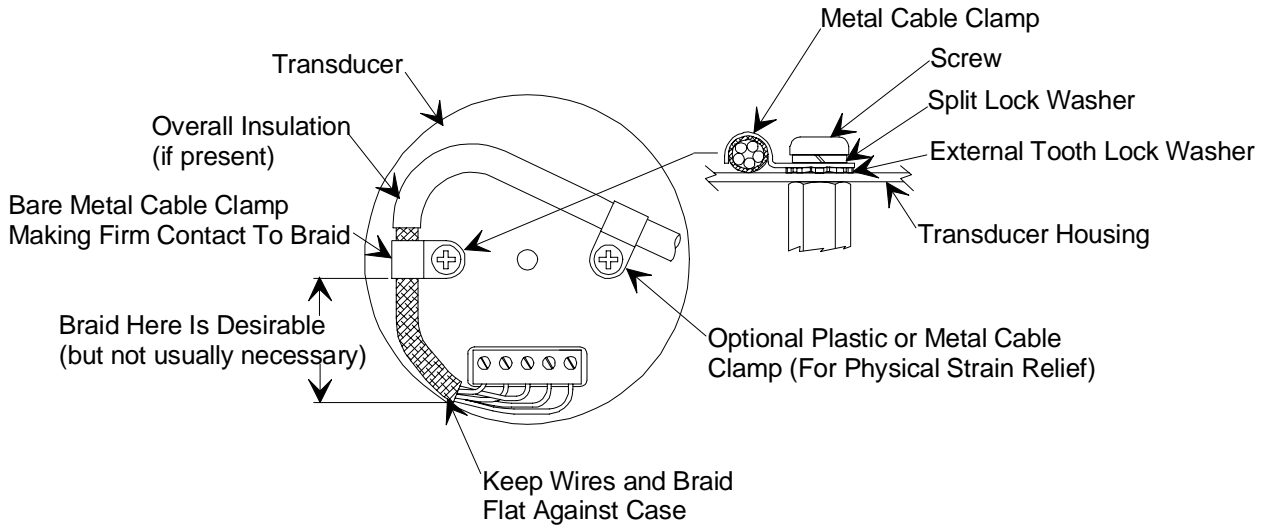


Figure 1: Preferred Method to Connect a Shielded Cable

Example 2: Alternate Method To Connect Cable
(shown on a transducer)

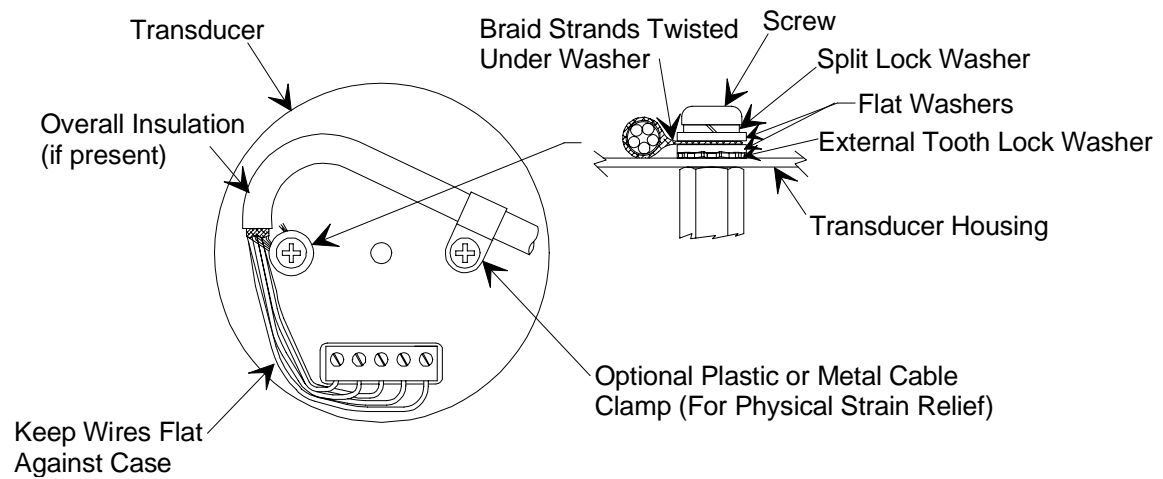


Figure 2: Alternate Method to Connect a Shielded Cable
(Use When Cable Clamp is Not Available)

Product Location and Requirements

The Type 152 unit meets the following criteria:

- POLLUTION DEGREE 2 in accordance with IEC 664
- Transient overvoltages according to INSTALLATION CATEGORY II

Operating Environmental Requirements

- Ambient Operating Temperature: 0° to 40° C (32° to 104° F)
- Main supply voltage fluctuations must not exceed $\pm 10\%$ of the nominal voltage
- Ventilation requirements include sufficient air circulation
- Connect the power cord into a grounded outlet
- Power: 100 to 120 VAC nominal @ 50/60 Hz
(100 V nominal is supported at 115 VAC setting)
200 to 240 VAC nominal @ 50/60 Hz
60 VA maximum

Safety Conditions

The 152 unit poses no safety risk under the following environmental conditions.

- Altitude: up to 2000 m
- Maximum relative humidity: 80% for temperatures up to 31° C, decreasing linearly to 50% at 40° C

General Requirements

For optimum pressure control, mount the pressure transducer and exhaust valve as close as possible to the process chamber. The 152 controller is designed to withstand ordinary mechanical shock and vibration.

The 152 controller fits in a standard ½ rack and can be placed on a work bench or mounted in an instrument panel. The optional RM-6 Rack Mount Kit is necessary to mount the controller in a panel cutout or a 19" rack.

- Use plastic washers when mounting the controller in a rack mount
- Connect the pressure transducer to the process chamber with ¼ inch diameter tubing (minimum), limited to a length of 6 inches or less

Caution



Position the 152 controller in a location with sufficient air circulation to keep the product within its specified temperature range. Insufficient air circulation could damage the controller.

Setup

The 152 controller works with all sizes of the 253 exhaust valve. The size of the valve required for a system is dictated by the size of the vacuum exhaust line and the range of conductance necessary for the pressure and flow rates involved. (Refer to the 253 data sheet for detailed information on the different valves available.)

When configuring the 152 controller, follow all of the requirements outlined in *Product Location and Requirements*, page 14. Mount the exhaust valve and the pressure transducer as close as possible to the process chamber for the best pressure control. Use ¼ inch diameter tubing, maximum length of 6 inches, to connect the pressure transducer to the process chamber. This enhances the stability of the system by eliminating any delays in the system response. If the pressure transducer cannot be located less than 6 inches from the process chamber, use a larger diameter tubing to compensate for conductance losses.

Install an isolation valve, to protect the transducer, if the process chamber will be opened to the atmosphere repeatedly. This is especially important for low range transducers.

Check all fittings for small drilled passages or leaks. Remove or disconnect any unnecessary anti-chambers off of the main process chamber since they may cause stability problems.

Using Diffusion Vacuum Pumps

Diffusion vacuum pumps experience a condition referred to as “choking” when a large volume of gas is introduced into a system at an excessively high pressure. This causes the pumping speed to change radically. The system becomes unstable and cannot maintain the set point pressure. Often times pneumatic noise makes it impossible to control the system. The only way to regain control of the system is to close down the inlet to the pump.

Caution



Never operate a diffusion pump at inlet pressures above which the “top jet” will experience a pressure in excess of 5×10^{-4} Torr. Operating under such conditions will cause the pump to fail and may cause irreparable damage.

Interconnections

Figure 3 shows how to connect a 152 controller to a typical pressure control system. You can use any pressure transducer that delivers 10 Volts full scale in such a system. Refer to *Optional Equipment*, page 10, for a complete a list of the appropriate transducers and connection cables.

Note



1. Plug the 152 controller into a properly grounded outlet.
2. Overall metal braided shielded cables, properly grounded at both ends, are required to meet CE Mark specifications.

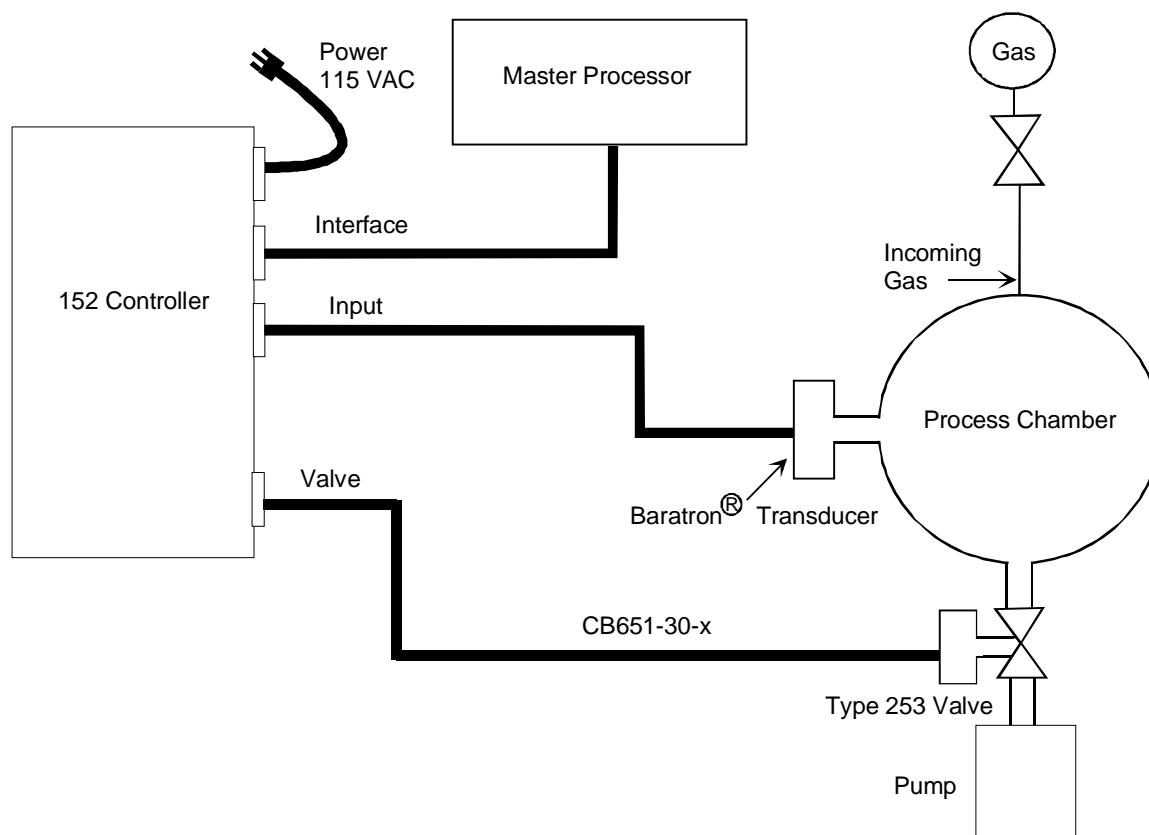


Figure 3: Interconnections for a Typical System

Additional Requirements for High Accuracy Systems

Most systems designed for high accuracy include a pressure sensor and a high accuracy signal conditioner. The 152 controller connects to the high accuracy signal conditioner (Type 270 or 670), which in turn, connects to the pressure sensor. Examples of high accuracy pressure sensors include the 310, 370, 390, 590, 690, 615, 616, 617, and 698.

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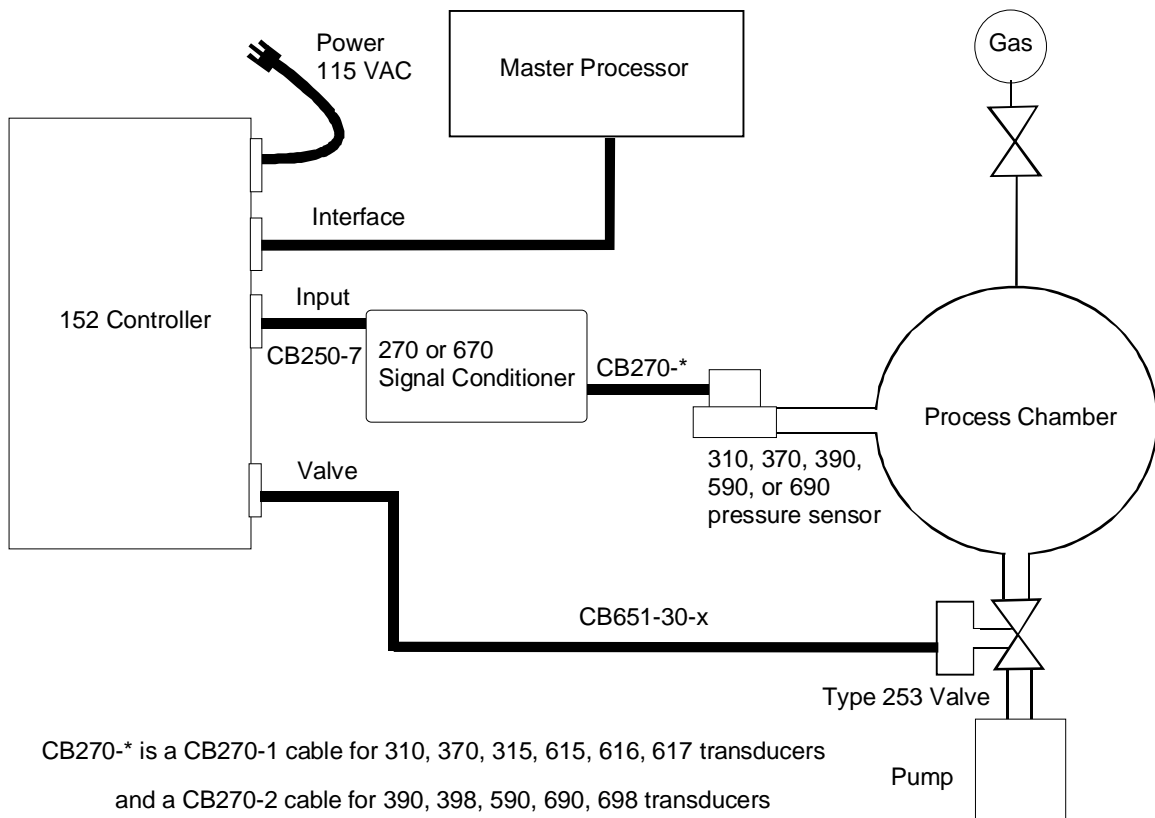


Figure 4: Interconnections for a High Accuracy System

If your system includes 170M-6C or 270 signal conditioner, be sure to place the Response switch (on the 170M-6C or 270) in the Normal position. If your system includes a 670 signal conditioner, set the response entry through the Setup menu.

Electrical Information

Fuses

The line fuses protect the internal circuitry; both sides of the line are fused. The fuse values are listed in Table 3.

Fuse Information	
Voltage	Fuse Type
115 VAC	0.63A (T) / 250 V / 5 x 20 mm
230 VAC	0.315A (T) / 250 V / 5 x 20 mm

Table 3: Fuse Information

Caution



Disconnect the power cord from the 152 controller *before* you replace the fuse, to avoid any damage.

Grounding

For protective earthing, plug the power cord into a properly grounded outlet.

Valve Connector

This 9-pin female Type “D” connector allows you to connect the 152 controller to the Type 253 valve, using cable CB651-30-10. If you are installing the Type 152 controller into an existing system that uses the old (hex) connector cables, an adapter cable is required. Use adapter cable CB652-2-1 or CB652S-2-1 to replace a Type 152A-F with the Type 152H.

Note



Overall metal braided shielded cables, properly grounded at both ends, are required to meet CE Mark specifications.

Valve Connector Pinout	
Pin	Assignment
1	Winding A
2	Winding A'
3	Limit Switch Common
4	Open Limit Switch
5	Close Limit Switch
6	Winding B
7	Winding B'
8	No Connection
9	No Connection

Table 4: Valve Connector Pinout

Note



The “No Connection” pin assignment refers to a pin with no internal connection.

Input Connector

The Input connector is a 14-pin female ribbon connector. It provides ± 15 Volt power and accepts the pressure transducer signal.

Input Connector Pinout	
Pin	Assignment
1	+ Input
2	No Connection
3	No Connection
4	No Connection
5	No Connection
6	No Connection
7	No Connection
8	- Input*
9	No Connection
10	No Connection
11	+15 Volt Output
12	Power Supply Ground (Analog Ground)
13	-15 Volt Output
14	Chassis Ground
*Connect the -Input signal (pin 8) to the analog ground (pin 12) at the input source.	

Table 5: Input Connector Pinout

Note



The “No Connection” pin assignment refers to a pin with no internal connection.

Connections

The 152 input signal lines are *differential* type inputs. Figure 5 describes how to make the connections.

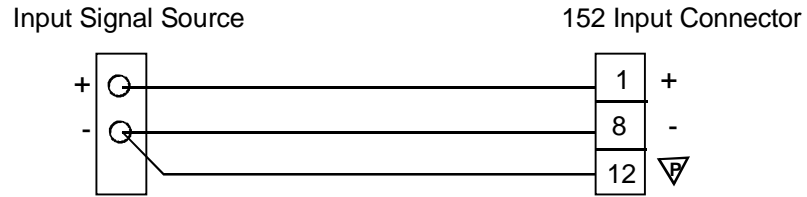


Figure 5: Differential Inputs on the Input Connector

Interface Connector

The Interface connector is a 14-pin female ribbon connector that provides access to the miscellaneous outputs and external inputs to the controller. Refer *Manual Operation: Using External Commands*, page 35, for a description of the external commands.

Interface Connector Pinout		
Pin	Assignment	Comments
1	+ External Set Point	0 to 5 VDC
2	Pressure Output	0 to 10 VDC
3	Digital Ground	Common to all Select lines
4	Open Select	Connect to Pin 3 to Open valve
5	Close Select	Connect to Pin 3 to Close valve
6	Stop Select	Connect to Pin 3 to Stop valve
7	Softstart Select	Connect to Pin 3 for Softstart
8	Analog Ground	Common for external set point and pressure outputs
9	Position Control Select Remote Zero	with Position Control/VPO board with Remote Zero/VPO option board
10	Position Output *	0 to 10 VDC
11	Valve Slip Overrange indicator	with standard Position Control/VPO board with Remote Zero/VPO option board
12	Power Supply Ground	Analog Ground
13	1 VDC Range Input**	Connect to Pin 3 for 1 VDC input**
14	Chassis Ground	
<p>* Available with the Position Control/Valve Position Output only ** The input range switch on the rear panel must be set in the 10 V, Remote position</p>		

Table 6: Interface Connector Pinout

Connections

The 152 external set point input is single-ended and uses the analog ground (pin 8) as the ground or (-) input. Figure 6 shows the proper connections.

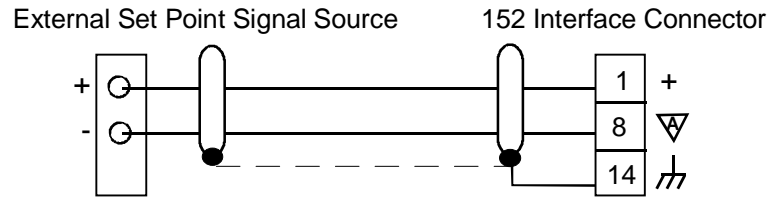


Figure 6: External Set Point Connection on the Interface Connector

How To Initially Configure the Type 152 Controller

Before you connect the AC line cord, turn the Power Switch Off and check that the voltage selector on the rear panel is in the proper position.

1. Make the following preliminary settings:
 - Gain 100%
 - Phase Lead 3 seconds

The Gain and Phase Lead controls are located on the rear panel. For additional information on the gain setting, refer to *Gain Control*, page 28. Refer to *Phase Lead Control*, page 28, for more information on the phase lead.

2. Plug in the power cord and connect the Input and Interface cables.
3. Turn on the power; the power LED should light.
Refer to Figure 7, page 25, for the location of the power switch.
4. Pump down the process chamber to a pressure less than the resolution of the transducer.
This step may take several hours. Refer to your transducer manual for the appropriate pressure and an estimate of the time required.
5. Zero the transducer by adjusting the front panel zero for a zero reading at pin 2 on the Interface connector. Reference the measurement to pin 8 on the same connector.

Chapter Three: Overview

Front Panel Controls

Figure 7 shows the front panel of the 152 controller.

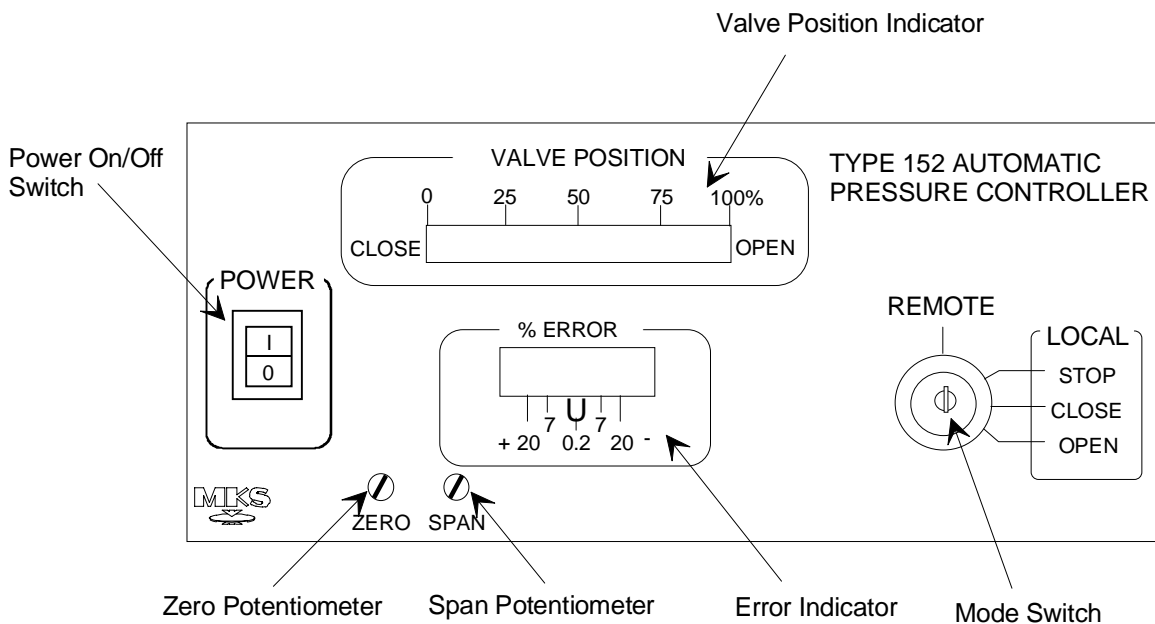


Figure 7: Front Panel Controls

Power On/Off Switch

The Power switch controls the AC power to the 152 controller. The LED below the switch illuminates when the controller is turned on. The switch is labeled with the symbols "0" and "1." The "0" represents the OFF position; the "1" represents the ON position.

Valve Position Indicator

The Valve Position indicator bar displays the position of the valve. The indicator bar shows the valve position as a percent of open, with 0% being fully closed and 100% being fully opened. The bar is divided into 25% increments with a resolution of 5% increments.

Mode Switch

The Mode Switch selects the mode of operation: Remote or Local. When the key lock switch is in the REMOTE position, the 152 unit can be controlled by a computer. When in the LOCAL mode, you can Open, Close, or Stop the valve directly from the front panel.

Error Indicator

The Error indicator uses LEDs to indicate the value of the error term, used in closed loop control. The error term is the difference between the actual pressure reading and the set point value.

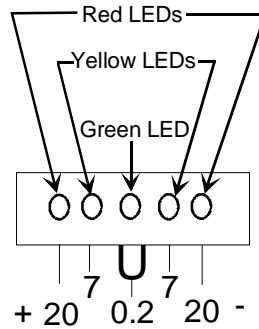


Figure 8: Error LED Indicator Lights

In the center of the error indicator is a green LED, that illuminates when the error is $< \pm 0.2\%$ of full scale. The LEDs on either side of the center LED are yellow and indicate the error is $< \pm 7\%$ of full scale. The outside LEDs are red and indicate the error is $> \pm 20\%$ of full scale. When the error is $> \pm 7\%$ but $< \pm 20\%$, no LEDs are illuminated.

Zero Potentiometer

Use the Zero potentiometer to compensate for any zero offset in the transducer. Before adjusting the Zero pot, be sure that the system is pumped down to a pressure below the resolution of the transducer. Refer to *How To Adjust the Zero*, page 43, for more information.

Span Potentiometer

The Span potentiometer enables you to adjust the full scale span of the pressure transducer. Refer to *How To Adjust the Span*, page 44, for more information.

Rear Panel Controls

Figure 9 shows the location of the controls on the rear panel of the 152 controller.

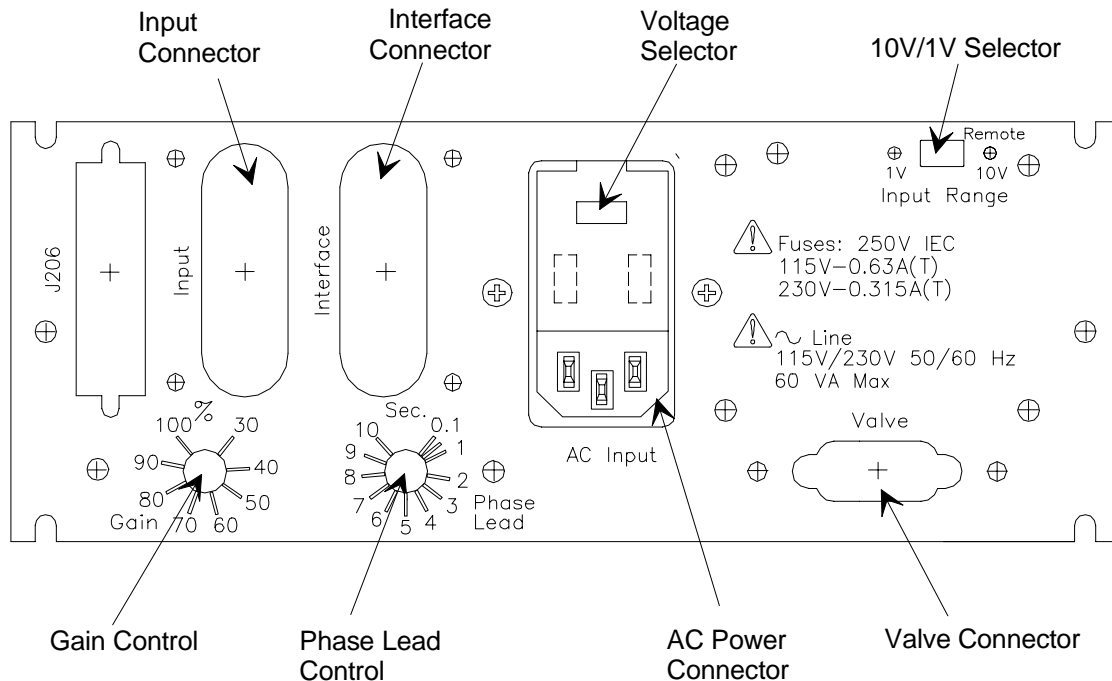


Figure 9: Rear Panel Controls

AC Power Connector

The AC Power connector is located on the rear panel of the 152 controller, and accepts 115/230 VAC power. The unit accepts 100 VAC power in the 115V switch setting. For protective earthing, plug the power cord into a properly grounded outlet.

Voltage Selector

The Voltage Selection switch configures the 152 controller to accept either 115 or 230 VAC input voltage.

Caution



The Voltage Selection switch on the 152 controller must be set to the proper input voltage *before* you connect the power cord and turn on the power. Otherwise, the controller will be severely damaged.

Use a blunt instrument, such as a flat head screw driver, to change the position of the switch.

10V/1V Selector

The 10V/1V Selector switch sets the input full scale voltage at either 10 Volts or 1 Volt. The default setting is 10 Volts full scale. Choose the 1 Volt full scale setting only when you need better resolution *and* the control pressures are less than 10% of full scale of the pressure transducer.

Example: If you are using a 1 Torr pressure transducer (10 Volts = 1 Torr) but your set point is less than 100 microns (1 Volt), then select the 1 Volt full scale setting. A full scale set point (5 Volts) would give a control pressure of 100 microns. If you need a set point of 5 microns, the set point voltage must be 0.25 Volts.

$$\frac{5 \text{ microns}}{100 \text{ microns}} \times 5 \text{ Volts} = 0.25 \text{ Volts}$$

Gain Control

The Gain control setting determines the overall gain of the controller. The higher the gain the lower the deadband associated with the signal. As a general rule, set the gain as high as possible, without sacrificing the stability of the system, to achieve the best possible control.

Refer to *How To Tune the Type 152 Controller*, page 40, for instructions on setting the gain.

Phase Lead Control

The Phase Lead control setting compensates for the major lag inherent in most control systems. In pressure systems, this lag is generally caused by the restrictions in the pump line and the capacity of the pressure vessel. The control ranges from 0.1 to 10 seconds, with typical settings between 1 to 5 seconds. Too low a setting will cause overshoot; too high a setting will cause a slow response.

Refer to *How To Tune the Type 152 Controller*, page 40, for instructions on setting the phase lead.

Labels

Serial Number Label

The Serial Number Label, located on the side of the instrument, lists the serial number and the product model number.



Figure 10: Serial Number Label

The instrument model code is identified as “152H - XY”, where:

152H = Type Number
X = Valve Position
Y = Interface

Refer to *Appendix B: Model Code Explanation*, page 67, for more information.

Position Control

The 152 controller uses the Position Control and Valve Position Output (PC/VPO) board as the standard configuration. The Remote Zero and Valve Position Output (RZ/VPO) board is available as an option. Refer to *Chapter Five: Remote Zero and Valve Position Output*, page 45, for a discussion of the RZ/VPO option.

Position Control (PC) enables the 152 unit to control the position of the throttle valve. Normally, the pressure of the system determines the position of the throttle valve. To activate the PC mode, connect pin 9 (position control select) on the Interface connector to pin 3 (digital ground). Use a TTL, CMOS, relay or switch contact to make the connections. Refer to Table 6, page 22, for the Interface connector pinout.

The 152 controller returns to pressure control when the connection between pin 9 and pin 3 is broken, or when the RS-232 Auto (“D”) command is issued.

How Position Control Works

When the Position Control (PC) mode is activated, the Valve Position Output (VPO) signal becomes the input to the 152 controller. The valve is directed to a position determined by the set point input, either analog or RS-232, rather than the pressure in the system.

In PC mode, a 0.0 Volt set point represents the full open position, and 5 Volt set point represents full close. Set point voltages between 0 and 5 Volts will give valve positions between full open and full closed.

The Valve Position Output is 10 Volts for full open and 0.0 Volts for full close.

Position Control Voltages		
Position	Set Point	Valve Position Output
Full Open	0 V	10 V
Full Close	5 V	0 V

Table 7: Position Control Voltages

Valve Position Commands

The valve position commands, Open, Close, and Stop, override PC mode when commanded. The 152 controller returns to PC mode once the valve position commands are released.

Valve Slip Indicator

The Valve Slip Indicator (VSI) provides a digital output if the stepping motor in the valve does not precisely follow the step commands by the 152 controller. The digital output is available on pin 11 of the Interface connector. The common connection for the digital output is pin 12 (power supply common).

The digital output can be open collector or directly from CMOS (15V) gates. Any one of four different signals can be used as the slip indicator output. Two signals (one positive true, one negative true) are active momentarily (50 to 500 μ seconds) when the valve hits a limit switch with a slip error greater than 4%. The other two signals are latched true when the valve hits a limit switch with slip error greater than 4%, and stay true until the valve hits a limit switch with slip error less than 4%. When the valve hits the limit switch and there is less than 4% slip error, the output will be false.

The 152 controller (with the standard PC/VPO board installed) is shipped with the digital output connected to the open-collector transistor. If the valve slips, the digital output goes negative true momentarily.

Valve Position Output

The Valve Position Output (VPO) provides a real-time analog signal at pin 10 of the Interface connector. Refer to Table 6, page 22, for the Interface connector pinout. This signal is 0 Volts (0%) when the valve is fully closed and 10 Volts (100%) when the valve is fully opened. Since the volume of gas pumped from a vacuum pumping system will be a function of both the valve's position (and therefore, conductance) and the pumping speed, any progressive movement of the valve towards the open position (for the same set point), will indicate a general deterioration in the performance of the pump. You may be able to discern when the pump requires maintenance by observing the position of the valve.

How Valve Position Output Works

When the 152 controller is powered up, the output voltage goes to the position indicated by the valve's limit switches: 0 V for close and 10 V for open. If the valve is not at a limit switch, the Valve Position Output (VPO) is not defined, so the 152 controller cannot track the valve position. At this point, the output voltage will be greater than 10 Volts. When the valve contacts either limit switch, the VPO is defined, so the 152 controller can track the valve position with an output voltage between 0 and 10 Volts.

How To Set the Valve Speed on the PC/VPO Board

The 152 controller is shipped with the VPO set for either the standard or the fast Type 253 valve, depending upon which valve is ordered with the 152 controller. You can configure the controller to operate the other speed valve by changing several switch positions on the PC/VPO board, or, if you have the Remote Zero/Valve Position Output option, on the RZ/VPO board.

Warning



The 152 controller has lethal voltages inside. Servicing of the unit must be performed by qualified personnel only. They must comply with all the necessary ESD and handling precautions while adjusting the instrument.

To avoid an electrical shock, disconnect the power line *before* opening the unit.

1. Turn off the power to the 152 controller.
2. Disconnect the AC power cord.

Caution



To avoid damage to sensitive internal components, personnel should be grounded through a safety impedance while working inside the 152 controller, and the unit itself must be static-free.

3. Unscrew the two Phillips head screws at the rear of the controller and remove the cover.
4. If you have the Position Control/Valve Position Output configuration: Locate the PC/VPO board.

If you have the Remote Zero/Valve Position Output option: Locate the RZ/VPO board.

Either board is positioned on the connector closest to the center of the controller, adjacent to the ribbon cable connector. If the RS-232 option is installed, its board is positioned along the side panel of the controller.

5. Grasp each end of the board and rock it until it loosens. Lift the board up and out of the unit.
6. Locate the dipswitch bank for Switches 1, 2, and 3.

On the PC/VPO board: The switches are located on the right-hand side of the board, when viewed from the component side.

On the RZ/VPO board: The switches are located on the far right-hand side of the board, when viewed from the component side.

7. Set the switches for the correct valve speed.

Refer to Table 8 for a description of the switch settings.

Valve Speed Switch Settings (S3)		
Switch Pole	Standard	Fast
1	Open	Closed
2	Closed	Open
3	Open	Open
4	Open	Open

Table 8: Valve Speed Switch Settings (S3)

8. Set Switches 1 and 2 for the correct full scale count for the valve.

Refer to Table 9 for a description of the switch settings.

Full Scale Count Switch Settings (S1 & S2)			
Dipswitch Pole	Value	Standard	Fast
S1 4	16	C	O
S1 3	32	C	C
S1 2	64	O	O
S1 1	128	O	O
S2 4	256	O	C
S2 3	512	O	O
S2 2	1K	C	C
S2 1	2K	O	C
<i>where C = Closed, O = Open</i>			

Table 9: Full Scale Count Switch Settings (S1 & S2)

The Extended Range Option

Switch 4 selects the “Extended Range” option. The default configuration does not employ this option. The extended range option increases the maximum number of counts from 4000 to 13000. Some slower motors are geared down and require more motor steps, or counts, to move from open to close than faster geared motors do. The extended range option is only necessary with special order gate valves.

Extended Range Switch Settings		
Pole	No Extended Range*	Use Extended Range
1	Closed	Open
2	Closed	Open
3	Open	Closed
4	Open	Closed
<i>where Closed = On, Open = Off</i>		
<i>* default configuration</i>		

Table 10: Extended Range Switch Settings

Manual Operation: Using External Commands

Note

The Mode Selection switch must be set to `REMOTE` before any external commands will be acknowledged.

The 152 controller will operate in the Automatic mode unless any of the external commands (Open, Close, Stop, Softstart, Position Control, and 1 VDC full scale input) are issued. All of the external commands are accessed through the Interface connector. Refer to Table 6, page 22, for the Interface connector pinout. To issue a command, tie the appropriate pin to digital ground (pin 3). The external command lines are internally pulled-up to +5 V with 4.7K resistors and can be selected with a relay contact closure, TTL, 5 V CMOS logic, or an open collector transistor.

Valve Position Commands

Selecting Open (pin 4) will drive the valve towards the full open position. The valve will continue to open as long as pin 4 is tied to pin 3. When the valve reaches the full open position, it will stop and remain in that position.

Selecting Close (pin 5) will command the controller to drive the valve to the full close position. The valve will stay in the fully closed position as long as Close is commanded.

Selecting Stop (pin 6) or *both* Open (pin 4) and Close (pin 5) will stop the valve. The valve will remain in that position as long as commanded.

Note

When the 152 controller is connected to a computer, use the external commands to drive the valve to a specific location. Do not use the external set point since the valve may not remain in the desired position. Refer to *Driving the Valve to a Specific Position*, page 39, for more information.

Softstart Mode

Selecting Softstart (pin 7) will activate the softstart mode. The softstart mode reduces the speed of the valve to approximately 20% of its maximum speed. Reducing the speed of the valve may be necessary to avoid dramatic pressure changes. (The 20% figure can be adjusted with potentiometer labeled R50 on the main PC board. The potentiometer is located adjacent to the Key Lock switch.) The 152 controller will operate in the softstart mode until *either* the error signal reverses polarity (as it does when the pressure reaches the set point value) or any one of the other external commands (Open, Close, Stop) are commanded.

To reactivate the softstart mode, reconnect pin 7 to pin 3 (after the signal goes high). The softstart command needs to be on (low) for at least 50 milliseconds and then it must be high for at least 0.25 seconds before the softstart mode is reactivated.

Note



If an external command is holding the valve in one position, you must release that external command before the softstart can be activated.

Refer to Table 11 for a summary of the external valve action commands.

External Commands Summary				
Open	Close	Stop	Softstart	Controller Action
-	-	-	-	Automatic operation
C	-	-	-	Drives toward Open
-	C	-	-	Drives toward Close
C	C	-	X	Stops
-	-	C	X	Stops
-	-	-	C	Softstart
<i>where: - = not being commanded C = being commanded X = does not matter</i>				

Table 11: External Commands Summary

How To Change the Input Range

Selecting the 1 VDC Input Range (pin 13) changes the full scale input from 10 VDC to 1 VDC. The full scale input will be 1 VDC as long as pin 13 is tied to pin 3.

Note

Be sure that the 10V/1V switch, on the rear panel, is set to the 10 V position. The 152 controller will not accept external commands when the 10V/1V switch is in the 1V position.

Position Control

The 152 controller can provide position control and valve position output with the Position Control/Valve Position board installed. On the Interface connector, connect the Position Control pin (pin 9) to digital ground (pin 3) to select position control. While position control is activated, the set point input determines the position of the valve, not the pressure of the system.

Note

In Position Control, a 0.0 Volt (0%) set point denotes full open, and 5.0 Volts (100%) denotes full close.

Calculating the Maximum Rate of Pressure Rise

Use the following formula to calculate the maximum rate of rise of pressure:

$$P_r = \frac{F}{V}$$

where:

P_r	is the pressure rate of rise, Torr/sec.
F	is flow in Torr-liters/sec.
V	is volume in liters

The exhaust valve must be in the fully closed position.

In systems with small input flows and relatively large volumes, the pressure will rise slowly, even when the Type 253 exhaust valve is fully closed.

If you cannot adjust the controller for adequate control, check your system for improper pneumatic connections. Refer to *Setup*, page 15, for more information.

Chapter Four: Operation

How To Control the Valve Manually

The 152 controller operates in the Automatic Pressure Control mode by default. Use the external commands, accessible through the Interface connector, to control the valve manually or to change to position control. Refer to *Manual Operation: Using External Commands*, page 35, for additional information.

Driving the Valve to a Specific Position

When the 152 controller is interfaced with a computer, use the external commands (Open, Close, and Stop) to command the valve to a specific position. While it is possible to drive the valve to one extreme or the other (Open or Close) with the external set point command, the valve *may not remain* in that position.

For example, you enter an external set point of zero to drive the valve to the full open position. The valve moves to the full open position initially, until the pressure approaches the set point value of zero. The 152 controller *anticipates* the pressure reaching the set point value and partially closes the valve to avoid overshooting the set point. The rate of change of pressure is reduced, and may be stopped altogether. This problem occurs most often with high gain or large phase lead settings.

How To Tune the Type 152 Controller

It is necessary to tune the 152 controller to optimize how it controls your system. There are two tuning methods available, the *Classic* method and an *Alternate* method. The classic method requires knowledge of PID control parameters and experience adjusting these parameters. The alternate method yields stable control parameters faster than the classic method.

Preparing the System

1. Turn on the upstream gas source.
2. Put the 152 controller in Automatic operation.

The 152 controller is in Manual operation if any of the external commands (Open, Close, or Stop) are issued. To return to Automatic operation, release any external commands. The 152 controller is in Automatic operation by default.

3. Set the gain to 100%.

The Gain control is located on the rear panel of the 152 controller.

4. Set the phase lead to 3 seconds.

The Phase Lead control is located adjacent to the Gain control on the rear panel.

5. Select a set point between 0 and 5 Volts.

Refer to *How To Select a Set Point Value*, page 43, for instructions on setting the set point value. The pressure should increase smoothly to the set point value.

Note



Connecting a chart recorder to the pressure output signal makes the process of tuning the system more visible. The chart recorder displays the under and overshoot response of the system caused by the tuning adjustments.

Classic Tuning Method

1. *If the pressure overshoots the set point:* Increase the phase lead.

Use your experience with PID control parameters as a guide to determine the amount of increase.

If there is no overshoot and the system is slow to approach the set point: Reduce the phase lead.

You may need to use a “trial and error” approach to determine the actual reduction in the phase lead setting.

2. Select a new set point to repeat the test.

Refer to *How To Select a Set Point Value*, page 43, for instructions on setting the set point value. This will verify the phase lead.

Note



The appropriate phase lead setting for a rise in pressure normally differs from the appropriate setting for a drop in pressure. Choose a compromise setting that takes into consideration the anticipated pressure profile.

3. *If the pressure oscillates about the set point value:* Reduce the gain.

The best pressure control occurs with the highest possible gain, so reduce the gain only as much as is necessary to prevent oscillation.

Alternate Tuning Method

1. Slowly turn the Phase Lead control from one extreme to the other.

The pressure will oscillate around the set point pressure. The oscillations will be dramatic at first, then decrease to a minimum (and maybe stop) at a particular setting, and then increase again. The optimum phase lead setting produces a minimum amount of oscillation.

2. *If the oscillations persist at the optimum phase lead:* Reduce the gain until the oscillations cease.

The best pressure control occurs with the highest possible gain, so reduce the gain only as much as is necessary to prevent oscillation.

Note



The speed of the pressure response is relative and depends on the process chamber size and absolute pressure. Lower pressures (less than 10 microns) are usually slower because of the slower molecular flow (and reduced pumping speed). In these cases, set the phase lead by *very slowly* moving the Phase Lead control from one extreme to the other.

How To Change the Response Switch Setting

In most applications, when the pressure is greater than the set point, the valve should move toward the full Open position to return the pressure to the proper value. This is referred to as the “normal” valve operation and assumes that the output of the pressure transducer increases positively for increasing pressure.

Use the “reverse” mode of operation when:

- The output of the transducer *decreases* for increasing pressure
- The valve is moved from the exhaust line to the input side of the process chamber (upstream control)

Warning



The 152 controller has lethal voltages inside. Servicing of the unit must be performed by qualified personnel only. They must comply with all the necessary ESD and handling precautions while adjusting the instrument.

To avoid an electrical shock, disconnect the power line *before* opening the unit.

1. Turn off the power to the 152 controller.
2. Disconnect the AC power cord.

Caution



To avoid damage to sensitive internal components, personnel should be grounded through a safety impedance while working inside the 152 controller, and the unit itself must be static-free.

3. Unscrew the two Phillips head screws at the rear of the controller and remove the cover.
4. Locate the response switch on the motherboard.
The response switch is located in the upper right hand portion of the board, when viewed from the front of the controller.
5. Move the switch lever towards the rear panel to select the reverse mode of operation.

How To Select a Set Point Value

- Apply the appropriate voltage to pin 1 on the Interface connector

Refer to Table 6, page 22, for the Interface connector pinout. Table 12 lists the voltage value and its corresponding set point value.

Set Point Voltages	
Applied Voltage (Volts)	Set Point Value (%)
0	0
2.5	50
5	100

Table 12: Set Point Voltages

How To Adjust the Zero

1. Pump down the system to a pressure less than the resolution of the pressure transducer.
Refer to your transducer manual to determine the appropriate pressure. This step may take several hours.
2. Adjust the Zero pot, located on the front panel of the 152 controller, to set the zero reading.

How To Adjust the Span

Caution



Be sure that your system is configured to withstand the full scale pressure *before* proceeding. Otherwise, your system may be damaged.

1. Adjust the zero.

Follow the steps outlined in *How To Adjust the Zero*, page 43.

2. Apply full scale pressure to the transducer.

Alternately, you can apply 10 Volts to pin 1 on the Input connector, referenced to pin 8. Refer to Table 5, page 20, for the Input connector pinout.

3. Read the pressure output signal.

The pressure output signal is available on pin 2 of the Interface connector, referenced to pin 8.

4. Turn the Span pot, located on the controller front panel, to change the pressure reading.

The pressure output signal should match the pressure input signal.

Chapter Five: Remote Zero and Valve Position Output

The Remote Zero and Valve Position Output (RZ/VPO) option provides remote zero correction capability and valve position output on a single board. The features can operate separately or simultaneously.

Note

When the RZ/VPO option is installed, the RZ/VPO board replaces the PC/VPO (Position Control/Valve Position Output) board.

Remote Zero

The Remote Zero (RZ) capability allows you to remotely zero the pressure input signal by $\pm 2\%$ of the 10 Volt DC range. This zero signal is in addition to the $\pm 2\%$ capability of the front panel Zero control. The RZ function is accessed through pin 9 on the Interface connector. This line is internally pulled up to +5 Volts with a 4.7K resistor. To initiate the RZ correction, connect pin 9 to the digital ground (pin 3) using either a relay contact closure, TTL, open collector transistor, or 5 V CMOS logic. This connection applies a low signal to the RZ pin.

Note

During a process cycle, only use the remote zero when the pressure being measured is less than $\pm 2\%$ of the 10 Volt DC range. Otherwise, the 152 controller will establish an invalid zero.

The 152 controller applies the RZ correction *after* the front panel zero correction.

How To Use the Remote Zero

The RZ correction is automatically centered when the 152 controller is turned on.

1. Allow the pressure in the process chamber to thermally stabilize.

This step will take approximately one-half hour for non-heated transducers and four hours for heated transducers.

2. Pump down the process chamber to a pressure less than the resolution of the pressure transducer.

Refer to your transducer manual for the appropriate pressure and an estimate of the time required.

3. Use the front panel Zero control to produce an output of 0.000 volts (pressure) on Interface pin 2 (pressure output).

Whenever the pressure in the process chamber is below the resolution of the pressure transducer, the Zero line (pin 9 on the Interface connector) should be brought low to activate the correction cycle. The correction cycle takes approximately 0.1 seconds. The pressure input signal must not change during that time. The Zero must be low for at least 10 milliseconds and must be high for at least 100 milliseconds before going low.

Refer to Table 6, page 22, for the Interface connector pinout.

4. Read the pressure output signal at pin 2.

The reading should be 0.000 ± 0.001 Volts.

The Overrange Output

The RZ option includes an overrange output, available on pin 11 of the Interface connector. This open collector transistor turns on when the RZ option reaches either the maximum positive or maximum negative correction. When the RZ output reaches either level, the signal output is probably not fully zero corrected. Manually adjust either the transducer or the front panel Zero control.

Valve Position Output

The Valve Position Output (VPO) provides a real-time analog signal at pin 10 of the Interface connector. Refer to Table 6, page 22, for the Interface connector pinout. This signal is 0 Volts (0%) when the valve is fully closed and 10 Volts (100%) when the valve is fully opened. Since the volume of gas removed from a vacuum pumping system will be a function of both the valve's position (and therefore, conductance) and the pumping speed, any progressive movement of the valve towards the open position (for the same set point), will indicate a general deterioration in the performance of the pump. You may be able to discern when the pump requires maintenance by observing the position of the valve.

How Valve Position Output Works

When the 152 controller is powered up, the output voltage goes to the position indicated by the valve's limit switches: 0 V for close and 10 V for open. If the valve is not at a limit switch, the Valve Position Output (VPO) is not defined, so the 152 controller cannot track the valve position. At this point, the output voltage will be greater than 10 Volts. When the valve contacts either limit switch, the VPO is defined so the 152 controller can track the valve position with an output voltage between 0 and 10 Volts.

How To Set the Valve Speed on the RZ/VPO Board

The 152 controller is shipped with the VPO set for either the standard or the fast Type 253 valve, depending upon which valve is ordered with the 152 controller. You can configure the controller to operate the other speed valve by changing several switch positions on the RZ/VPO board.

Warning



The 152 controller has lethal voltages inside. Servicing of the unit must be performed by qualified personnel only. They must comply with all the necessary ESD and handling precautions while adjusting the instrument.

To avoid an electrical shock, disconnect the power line *before* opening the unit.

1. Turn off the power to the 152 controller.
2. Disconnect the AC power cord.

Caution



To avoid damage to sensitive internal components, personnel should be grounded through a safety impedance while working inside the 152 controller, and the unit itself must be static-free.

3. Unscrew the two Phillips head screws at the rear of the controller and remove the cover.
4. Locate the RZ/VPO board.

The board is positioned on the connector closest to the center of the controller, adjacent to the ribbon cable connector. If the RS-232 option is installed, its board is positioned along the side panel of the controller.

5. Grasp each end of the board and rock it until it loosens. Lift the board up and out of the unit.
6. Locate the dipswitch bank for Switches 1, 2, and 3.

The switches are located on the extreme right-hand side of the board, when viewed from the component side.

7. Set Switch 3 for the correct valve speed.

Table 13 lists the settings for Switch 3.

Valve Speed Switch Settings (S3)		
Dipswitch	Standard	Fast
1	Open	Closed
2	Closed	Open
3	Open	Open
4	Open	Open

Table 13: Valve Speed Switch Settings (S3)

8. Set Switches 1 and 2 for the correct full scale count value for the valve.

Table 14 lists the full scale switch settings for Switches 1 and 2.

Full Scale Count Switch Settings (S1 & S2)			
Dipswitch Pole	Value	Standard	Fast
S1 4	16	C	O
S1 3	32	C	C
S1 2	64	O	O
S1 1	128	O	O
S2 4	256	O	C
S2 3	512	O	O
S2 2	1K	C	C
S2 1	2K	O	C
<i>where C = Closed, O = Open</i>			

Table 14: Full Scale Count Switch Settings (S1 & S2)

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Chapter Six: RS-232 Communications

General Information

The RS-232 Interface option allows an external personal computer (PC) to communicate with, and control, the 152 controller. The computer can read in pressure, valve position, set point, and an auxiliary input voltage, along with several digital status lines. The computer can also output set point and digital override commands (Open, Close, Stop, Softstart, Auto, Zero, and Position Control). The digital override commands are issued by grounding selected pins on the Interface connector. Refer to Table 6, page 22, for the Interface connector pinout.

Note



The mode switch on the front panel must be in the `REMOTE` position before the 152 controller will recognize any RS-232 communication.

Initial Communication Parameters

The RS-232 Interface option is shipped with the communication parameters listed in Table 15.

RS-232 Communication Parameters	
Parameter	Setting
Parity	Even
Stop Bit	1
Data Bits	7
Baud Rate	9600

Table 15: RS-232 Communication Parameters

RS-232 Connector

The RS-232 connector is a female 25-pin Type “D” connector.

RS-232 Connector Pinout			
Pin	Assignment	Pin	Assignment
1	Chassis Ground	14	Reserved
2	Transmitted Data	15	Reserved
3	Received Data	16	Reserved
4	Request to Send	17	Reserved
5	Clear to Send	18	Reserved
6	Data Set Ready	19	Reserved
7	Signal Ground	20	Data Terminal Ready
8	Reserved	21	Reserved
9	Reserved	22	Reserved
10	Reserved	23	Reserved
11	Reserved	24	Reserved
12	Reserved	25	Reserved
13	Reserved		

Table 16: RS-232 Connector Pinout

Note



1. The RS-232 connector is designed to interface with all status lines, however, it is possible to interface using only pins 1, 2, 3, and 7.
2. The “Reserved” pin assignment refers to a pin which has an internal connection which may be assigned a function in the future.

How To Change the Communication Parameters

Warning



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To avoid an electrical shock, disconnect the power line *before* opening the unit.

1. Turn off the power to the 152 controller.
2. Disconnect the AC power cord.

Caution



To avoid damage to sensitive internal components, personnel should be grounded through a safety impedance while working inside the 152 controller, and the unit itself must be static-free.

3. Unscrew the two Phillips head screws at the rear of the controller and remove the cover.
4. Locate the RS-232 board.

The board is positioned adjacent to the right side panel, when viewed from the front panel. Either the Position Control/VPO or the Remote Zero/VPO board is installed in the inner slot.

5. Grasp each end of the board and rock it until it loosens. Lift the board up and out of the unit.
6. Locate the Switch 1 dipswitch bank to change the parity, number of stop bits, or the number of data bits.

Switch 1 is located in the upper left-hand portion of the board, when viewed with the component side up.

7. Configure Switch 1 for the new setting(s).

Table 17 describes the configuration options for Switch 1.

RS-232 Switch 1 Configuration						
Parity	Stop Bits	Data Bits	Pole 1	Pole 2	Pole 3	Pole 4
ODD	1	7	1	1	1	1
ODD	2	7	1	1	0	1
EVEN	1	7	1	0	1	1
EVEN	2	7	1	0	0	1
NONE	1	7	1	X	1	0
NONE	2	7	1	X	0	0
ODD	1	8	0	1	1	1
ODD	2	8	0	1	0	1
EVEN	1	8	0	0	1	1
EVEN	2	8	0	0	0	1
NONE	1	8	0	X	1	0
NONE	2	8	0	X	0	0
<i>where</i> <i>0 = Open (down)</i> <i>1 = Close (up)</i> <i>X = Does not matter</i>						

Table 17: RS-232 Switch 1 Configuration

8. Locate Switch 2 and set the baud rate.

Switch 2 is located adjacent to Switch 1. Refer to Table 18 for the baud rate settings.

RS-232 Switch 2 Configuration				
Baud Rate	Pole 1	Pole 2	Pole 3	Pole 4
300	0	1	0	0
600	1	0	0	1
1200	0	0	1	0
1800	1	0	1	0
2400	0	0	0	1
4800	0	1	1	0
9600	1	1	1	0
<i>where 0 = Open (down) 1 = Close (up) X = Does not matter</i>				

Table 18: RS-232 Switch 2 Configuration

The Internal/External Set Point

The Internal/External Set Point switch, located in the upper front portion of the RS-232 option board, is normally shipped in the Internal position so that the set point will be determined by the RS-232 Interface. Select the External Set Point position if the set point will be determined by an external DC voltage (0 to 5 V). Follow the steps below to change the Internal/External switch setting.

Warning



The 152 controller has lethal voltages inside. Servicing of the unit must be performed by qualified personnel only. They must comply with all the necessary ESD and handling precautions while adjusting the instrument.

To avoid an electrical shock, disconnect the power line *before* opening the unit.

1. Turn off the power to the 152 controller.
2. Disconnect the AC power cord.

Caution



To avoid damage to sensitive internal components, personnel should be grounded through a safety impedance while working inside the 152 controller, and the unit itself must be static-free.

3. Unscrew the two Phillips head screws at the rear of the controller and remove the cover.
4. Locate the RS-232 Interface board.

The board is positioned adjacent to the right side panel, when viewed from the front panel. Either the Position Control/VPO or the Remote Zero/VPO board is installed in the inner slot.

5. Grasp each end of the board and rock it until it loosens. Lift the board up and out of the unit.
6. Locate the Internal/External switch and change its position.

Switch 4 is located in the upper right-hand portion of the board, when viewed with the component side up.

Operation

After power up, the RS-232 Interface is passive until the 152 controller receives an external command through the serial port.

Wake-Up

When the 152 controller is powered up, the RS-232 Interface is initialized with the set point at 0% and no digital lines activated. This sets the 152 controller for automatic operation at 0% pressure.

Upon power up, it takes approximately 1.5 seconds for the 152 controller to stabilize and the RS-232 Interface to initialize. Therefore, you should not send any commands to the controller for approximately 2 seconds after power up.

RS-232 Commands

The RS-232 commands can change specific operating parameters or request that the 152 controller report specific information. Commands can be followed by a carriage return line feed (CRLF), or just a line feed (LF). Commands can be issued in either upper or lower case letters.

Instruction Commands

Instruction commands cover signals sent from the computer to the 152 controller. These signals include commands to change the set point, report data, and override the set point. The instruction commands are listed in Table 19.

RS-232 Instruction Commands	
Purpose	Command
Change the Internal Set Point	S1DD.D<CR LF> where DD.D = Set Point value, as % of Full Scale (0 to 100)
Report Data	RY<CR LF> where Y can be: 0 = Auxiliary 1 = Set Point 1 5 = Pressure Input 6 = Position of Valve 7 = Status Request
Digital Command to Override Set Point	X<CR LF> where X can be: O = Open Valve C = Close Valve H = Stop (Halt) Valve S = Softstart initiate D = Auto (cancels valve commands)* Z = Zero Pressure Input** P = Position Control †
<p>* Valve commands (Open, Close, Stop, and Position Control) remain ON until canceled by the "D" Auto command</p> <p>** Requires the Remote Zero/Valve Position Output option</p> <p>† Requires the standard Position Control/Valve Position Output configuration</p>	

Table 19: RS-232 Instruction Commands

Set Point Instructions

The 152 controller expects to see the set point instruction, sent from the computer, issued in the following fashion: 2 or 3 digits of data, followed by a decimal point and another digit of data. However, it will accept alternate versions. For example, a set point of 1% can be issued as:

01.0

001

1

1.0

Note



If the command does not include a value (S1<CR LF>), the 152 controller enters 0% as the new set point value.

Valve Commands

The valve commands, Open, Close, and Stop (Halt), will override any drive signals initiated by the set point control and command the valve to the open, close, or stop position. Only one command can be executed at a time. Each command, once initiated, will remain effective until:

- The “D” or Auto command is issued
- The “P” or Position Control command is issued
- One of the other valve commands (Open, Close, Stop (Halt)) is issued
- The power is lost

Softstart Command

When the softstart command (“S”) is issued, the 152 controller will slowly drive toward the correct pressure. Once the 152 controller establishes the correct pressure, it returns to full speed operation. The softstart command is self-canceling since the “D” or Auto command, does not have to be issued to return to Automatic operation. Since the Open, Close, and Halt (Stop) commands negate any softstart command, the 152 controller must be in AUTO operation *before* the Softstart command is issued.

Zero Command

Note



Ensure that the pressure of the process chamber is less than the resolution of the pressure transducer *before* you issue the Zero command. Otherwise, the 152 controller will establish an invalid zero.

This command requires the Remote Zero/Valve Position Output (RZ/VPO) optional board. The Zero command (“Z”) enables a remote instrument to adjust the zero reading on the 152 controller. Once the command is sent, it does not need to be canceled.

Data Sent From the 152 Controller to the Computer

The 152 controller sends information to the computer upon request. This information includes the status of several parameters, and a status report of the valve position. Refer to Table 20 for a list of the messages transmitted from the 152 controller.

Data Sent From the 152 Controller	
Purpose	Command
Reports Analog Signal Level	XDDD.D<CR LF> where X can be: S = Set Point (-1 to 101%) P = Pressure (-1 to 101%) V = Valve Position (0 to 90°) A = Auxiliary Input (-1 to 101%) E = Error DDD.D is data (in % or degrees)
STATUS Reply	MXYZ<CR LF> where M is Mode X is Set Point in Use: 0 = External 1 = Internal Y is the Valve Drive Status H = Holding (Stopped) O = Opening C = Closing A = Automatic (Pressure Control) D = Delayed (softstart) P = Position Control† and Z is the Control Status 0 = In Control 3 = At Open L.S. 4 = At Close L.S.
** Requires the Remote Zero/Valve Position Output option † Requires the standard Position Control/Valve Position Output configuration	

Table 20: Data Sent From the 152 Controller

Errors

The 152 controller will return an “E” (for Error) if it does not understand a command. The error is usually either a syntax or transmission error.

RS-232 Buffer Size

The internal input command buffer can store 40 characters. The Data Terminal Ready (DTR) line will become inactive when this input buffer is within ten characters of being filled.

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Chapter Seven: Maintenance

General Information

If the 152 controller fails to operate properly upon receipt, check for shipping damage, and check the cables for proper continuity. Any damage should be reported to the carrier and MKS Instruments immediately. If it is necessary to return the unit to MKS, obtain an ERA number (Equipment Return Authorization Number) from a MKS Service Center before shipping. Please refer to the inside back cover of this manual for a list of MKS Calibration and Service Centers.

Periodically check for wear on the cables and inspect the enclosure for visible signs of damage.

How To Clean the Unit

Periodically wipe down the unit with a damp cloth.

How To Replace the Fuses

The line fuses protect the internal circuitry; both sides of the line are fused. The fuse values are:

115 VAC	0.63A (T) / 250 V / 5 x 20 mm
230 VAC	0.315A (T) / 250 V / 5 x 20 mm

Caution



Disconnect the power cord from the 152 controller *before* you replace the fuse, to avoid any damage.

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Appendix A: Product Specifications

CE Mark Compliance	
Electromagnetic Compatibility ¹	EMC Directive 89/336/EEC
Low-Voltage Requirements	Low-Voltage Directive 73/23/EEC
Installation Category	II, according to EN 61010-1
Pollution Degree	2, according to IEC 664
Product Safety and Liability	Product Safety Directive 92/59/EEC
Dimensions	3½”H x 9½”W x 9½”L (8.9 cm x 24.1 cm x 24.1 cm)
External Input Commands	TTL compatible (5V, 4.7K pull-up) Input activated by a LO signal (< 1 Volt)
Action	Close Open Stop Softstart Position Control 1 VDC Full Scale Input
External Set Point Signal	0 to 5 VDC analog (> 1 Meg ohm input impedance)
Fuse Ratings	
115 VAC	0.63 A (T) / 250 V / 5 x 20 mm
230 VAC	0.315 A (T) / 250 V / 5 x 20 mm
Input Signal	0 to 10 VDC 0 to 1 VDC, selectable on the rear panel and via an external command
Operating Temperature	0° to 40° C (32° to 104° F)
Output Power	±15 ±0.2 VDC @ 250 mA maximum
Output Signal	0 to 10 VDC (10K min. load) <i>Zero corrected</i>

¹An overall metal braided shielded cable, properly grounded at both ends, is required during use.

Power Consumption	60 VA maximum
Power Requirement 115 VAC Setting 230 VAC Setting VDE Approved Connectors	100 to 120 VAC nominal (100 V supported at 115 VAC setting) 200 to 240 VAC nominal Power Switch, Voltage Selection Switch, Fuse Holder, and AC Input Connector
Regulation	±0.1% of full scale
Valve Output	Built in driver to power the Type 253 exhaust valve (24 Volts @ 1 Amp maximum)

Due to continuing research and development activities, these product specifications are subject to change without notice.

Appendix B: Model Code Explanation

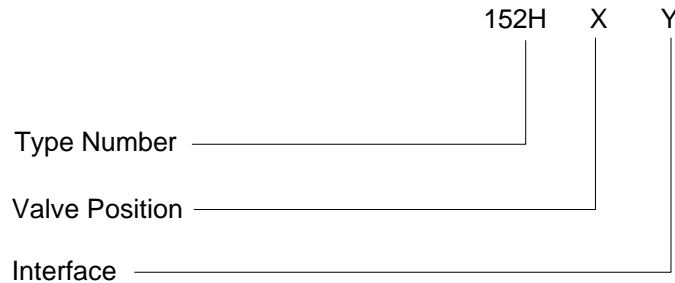
Model Code

The options of your controller are identified in the model code when you order the unit.

The model code is identified as follows:

152H - X Y

where:



Type Number (152H)

The type number designates the model number of the instrument.

Valve Position (X)

The two valve options are designated by a single letter code.

	Ordering Code
Standard: Position Control/VPO	P
Optional: Remote Zero/VPO	R

Interface (Y)

The two interface options are designated by a single number code.

	Ordering Code
Standard: No Digital Interface (Enter 0 if no digital interface is selected)	0
Optional: RS-232 Interface	2

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MKS Type 152H Exhaust Valve Controller

Addendum 1

This addendum contains important information about your 152H Exhaust Valve Controller. Specifically, this addendum updates the pinout for the Interface connector, describes how to troubleshoot common application problems which can appear as Valve Position Output (VPO) drift, and describes the procedure for changing the fuses in the 152 controller.

Please read the information carefully and make the enclosed changes and additions to your 152H Instruction Manual (p/n 120289-P1).

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Installation Information

Replace Table 6 in the *Interface Connector* section, page 22, with Table 6 below.

Interface Connector Pinout		
Pin	Assignment	Comments
1	+ External Set Point	0 to 5 VDC
2	Pressure Output	0 to 10 VDC Position Control VPO: 0 V = Fully closed; 10 V = Fully Open Pressure Control VPO: 0 V = Fully open; 10 V = Fully Closed
3	Digital Ground	Common to all Select lines
4	Open Select	Connect to Pin 3 to Open valve
5	Close Select	Connect to Pin 3 to Close valve
6	Stop Select	Connect to Pin 3 to Stop valve
7	Softstart Select	Connect to Pin 3 for Softstart
8	Analog Ground	Common for external set point & pressure outputs
9	Position Control Select Remote Zero	with Position Control/VPO board with Remote Zero/VPO option board
10	Position Output *	0 to 10 VDC
11	Valve Slip Overrange Indicator	with standard Position Control/VPO board with Remote Zero/VPO option board
12	Power Supply Ground	Analog Ground
13	1 VDC Range Input**	Connect to Pin 3 for 1 VDC input**
14	Chassis Ground	
<p>* Available with the Position Control/Valve Position Output only ** The input range switch on the rear panel must be set in the 10 V, Remote position</p>		

Table 6: Interface Connector Pinout

Valve Position Output Information

Replace the *How Valve Position Output Works* section, pages 32 and 47, with the following text.

How Valve Position Output Works

When the 152 controller is powered up, the valve position output (VPO) voltage goes to the position indicated by the valve's limit switches: 0 V when the valve is fully closed and 10 V when the valve is fully opened.

Note



The VPO output from pin 2 on the Interface connector is *reversed* when using the Pressure Control mode. That is, the output is 0 V when the valve is fully open and 10 V when the valve is fully closed.

The VPO signal, read at pin 10 of the Interface connector (refer to Table 6, page 3), is based on the *full 0 to 100% range of the valve position*. Therefore, when the valve contacts either limit switch, the VPO is defined, and the 152 controller accurately tracks the valve position with an output voltage between 0 and 10 Volts.

If the valve is not at a limit switch, that is, the valve does not fully open or close, the VPO is not defined, and the 152 controller cannot track the exact valve position. In this case, the output voltage will be greater than 10 Volts and it indicates an *estimated* valve position, which may differ from the actual valve position by \pm several percent.

Because of design tolerances, there will always be some error between the number of counts in the valve motor and in the controller. If the valve does not respond to each and every pulse from the controller, the valve position output relative to the actual valve position can slip over time and appear as drift.

The valve slip indicator monitors the slippage and if it exceeds a preset value of 4% the controller provides an output at pin 11 of the Interface connector. The “slipped” signal is a standard feature of the 152 controller and is designed to indicate that service is necessary. In order for the controller to recognize that the valve has slipped, it must be commanded to the open or close limit switches.

Two common causes for VPO drift are:

- Process by-products building up on the valve

As material condenses on the bore, flapper, and shaft it restricts movement. Higher torque is required to move the valve and some pulses sent by the controller can be missed by the valve motor. In this case, “slipping” is not an indication of faulty equipment but rather an indication that maintenance is required; the valve should be removed and cleaned.

- VPO signal is based on an external set point command

When the VPO signal is based on an external set point rather than the full 0 to 100% range of the valve position, the VPO output is not accurately maintained because the valve does not go fully open or closed (the valve does not contact either limit switch). Therefore, the error (drift) inherent to the system may be increased because the set point is based on an estimated valve position rather than the actual valve position.

The 152 controller, by design, does not learn the number of steps in each valve. In order to optimize the performance of the VPO and the valve position set point, the counter in the 152 controller should be reset during each process step by commanding the valve open or closed, rather than sending a 0 or 100% set point.

To ensure that the valve contacts each limit switch, which then resets the counter in the controller, you must command the valve OPEN or CLOSED using either RS-232 commands or TTL inputs to the appropriate pin on the Interface connector. Using external commands ensures that the valve goes to the fully open or closed position so that the VPO is defined, and the 152 controller can accurately track the valve position.

Manual Operation: Using External Commands

Add the following information to the *Valve Position Commands* section, page 35.

Valve Position Commands

In order to optimize the performance of the VPO and the valve position set point, the counter in the 152 controller should be reset during each process step by commanding the valve open or closed, rather than sending a 0 or 100% set point.

The OPEN and CLOSED commands can be either RS-232 commands or TTL inputs to the appropriate pin on the Interface connector (refer to Table 6, page 3). The same command should be used for consistency.

IV. Add the following information to the section titled “*Driving the Valve to a Specific Position*”, Chapter Four: Operation, page 39.

To ensure that the valve goes to the fully open or closed position, the counter in the 152 controller should be reset during each process step by commanding the valve open or closed, rather than sending a 0 or 100% set point.

The OPEN and CLOSED commands can be either RS-232 commands or TTL inputs to the appropriate pin on the Interface connector (refer to Table 6, page 3). The same command should be used for consistency.

When the VPO signal is based on an external set point rather than the full 0 to 100% range of the valve position, the VPO output may not be accurately maintained because the valve may not go fully open or closed. Therefore, the error (drift) inherent to the system may be increased because the set point is based on an estimated valve position rather than the actual valve position.

V. Update the text in the section titled “*How To Replace the Fuses*”, Chapter Seven: Maintenance, page 63, with the following information.

How To Replace the Fuses

The line fuses protect the internal circuitry; both sides of the line are fused.

Caution



Disconnect the power cord from the 152 controller *before* you replace the fuse, to avoid any damage.

1. Select the proper fuses. Refer to Table 3, page 18, in the 152 manual for the fuse values.
2. Disconnect the power cord from the 152 instrument.

Warning



To avoid an electrical shock, be sure to disconnect the power cord *before* proceeding.

3. Disconnect all cables from the connectors located at the back of the unit.
4. Insert a small, flat head screw driver under the top side of the black plastic cover and firmly pull towards you to unsnap the cover.

The cover is attached firmly, so it requires a strong force on the screw driver to loosen it. The cover will flip open to expose the line voltage selector drum and the two fuse carriers. The two fuse carriers are marked with arrows (➡).

5. Carefully slide the fuse carrier out and remove the fuse.
6. Insert the new fuse into the fuse carrier.
Be certain that the new fuse is the appropriate type for the line voltage selection.
7. Slide the fuse carrier back into the Power Entry module.
8. Close the Power Entry module cover.
9. Connect any cables removed from the back of the 260 PS-7 instrument in step 3.
10. Connect the power cord.

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MKS Type 152H Exhaust Valve Controller

Addendum 2

This addendum contains important information about your 152H Exhaust Valve Controller. Specifically, this addendum updates the electrical input power requirements.

Please read the information carefully and make the enclosed changes and additions to your 152H Instruction Manual (p/n 120289-P1).

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Installation Category	II, according to EN 61010-1
Pollution Degree	2, according to IEC 664
Product Safety and Liability	Product Safety Directive 92/59/EEC
Dimensions	3½”H x 9½”W x 9½”L (8.9 cm x 24.1 cm x 24.1 cm)
External Input Commands	TTL compatible (5V, 4.7K pull-up) Input activated by a LO signal (< 1 Volt)
Action	Close Open Stop Softstart Position Control 1 VDC Full Scale Input
External Set Point Signal	0 to 5 VDC analog (> 1 Meg ohm input impedance)
Fuse Ratings	
115 VAC	0.63 A (T) / 250 V / 5 x 20 mm
230 VAC	0.315 A (T) / 250 V / 5 x 20 mm
Input Signal	0 to 10 VDC 0 to 1 VDC, selectable on the rear panel and via an external command
Operating Temperature	0° to 40° C (32° to 104° F)
Output Power	±15 ±0.2 VDC @ 250 mA maximum
Output Signal	0 to 10 VDC (10K min. load) <i>Zero corrected</i>
Power Consumption	60 VA maximum

¹An overall metal braided shielded cable, properly grounded at both ends, is required during use.

Power Requirement	
115 VAC Setting	100 to 120 VAC nominal ($\pm 10\%$) (90 - 100 V supported at 115 VAC setting)
230 VAC Setting	200 to 240 VAC nominal
VDE Approved Connectors	Power Switch, Voltage Selection Switch, Fuse Holder, and AC Input Connector
Regulation	$\pm 0.1\%$ of full scale
Valve Output	Built in driver to power the Type 253 exhaust valve (24 Volts @ 1 Amp maximum)

Due to continuing research and development activities, these product specifications are subject to change without notice.