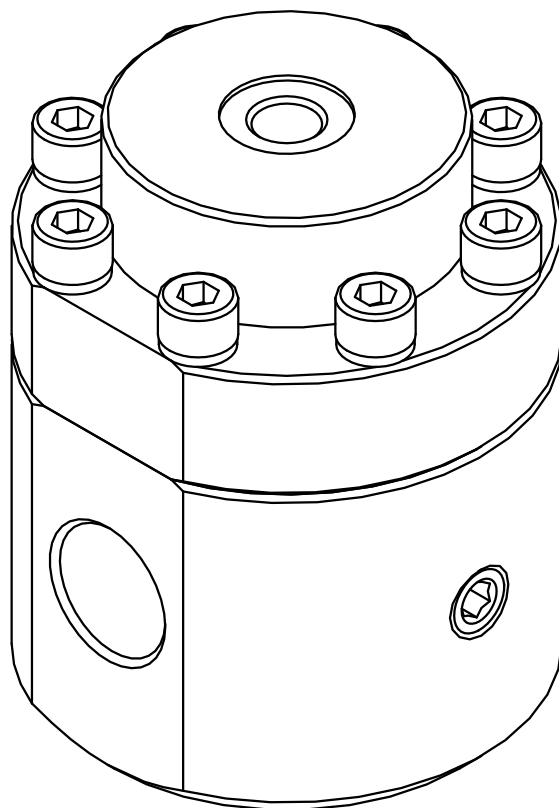


**RHPS Series
BD(H) 6,8
User Manual**

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Read the complete manual before installing and using the regulator.



WARNING

Before removing a regulator from the system for service, you must

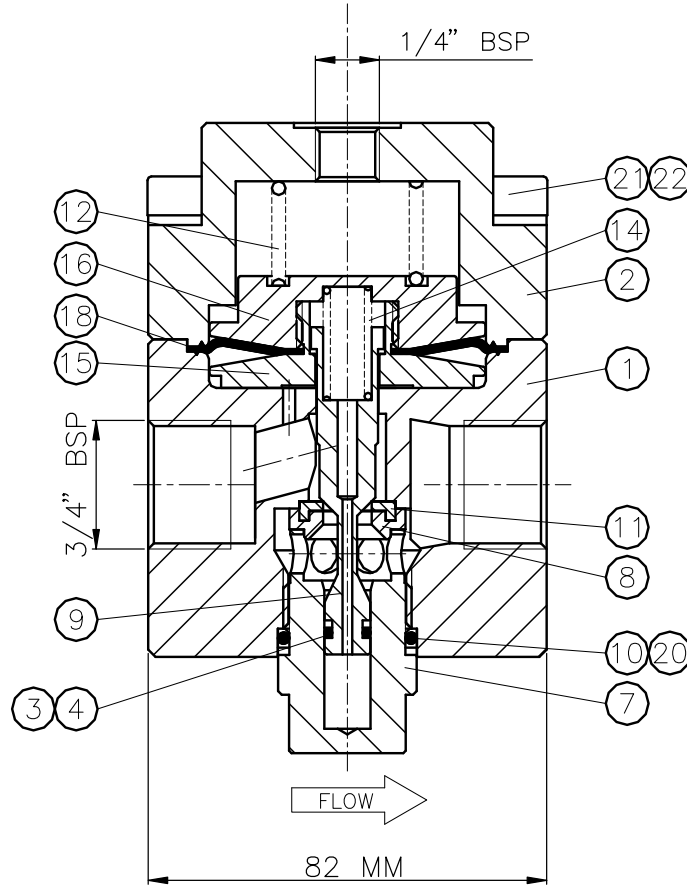
- depressurize system
- purge the system to remove any residual system media left in the regulator.

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Introduction

Representative drawing of the standard BDH6, 8



1	body	12	Dome spring
2	dome	14	overtravel spring
3	o-ring	15	diaphragm screw
4	back-up ring	16	diaphragm plate
7	bodyplug	18	diaphragm
8	seating	20	o-ring
9	valve	21	ring
10	back-up ring	22	socket head cap screw
11	seat		

Installation



WARNING

When installing a Swagelok® self-venting regulator, position the vent connection or line away from operating personnel. Operating personnel must protect themselves from exposure to system fluids.



CAUTION

Do not use the regulator as a shutoff device.

Connections to System

The preferred mounting position of the regulator is horizontal with the dome facing upwards.

The standard connection of the BD(H)6 is ¾ in. bspp parallel female.

The standard connection of the BD(H)8 is 1 in. bspp parallel female.

To get a proper sealing across the thread, Swagelok recommends using bonded seal rings.

If grounding is required, connect a ground wire under a dome bolt.

Filling the dome

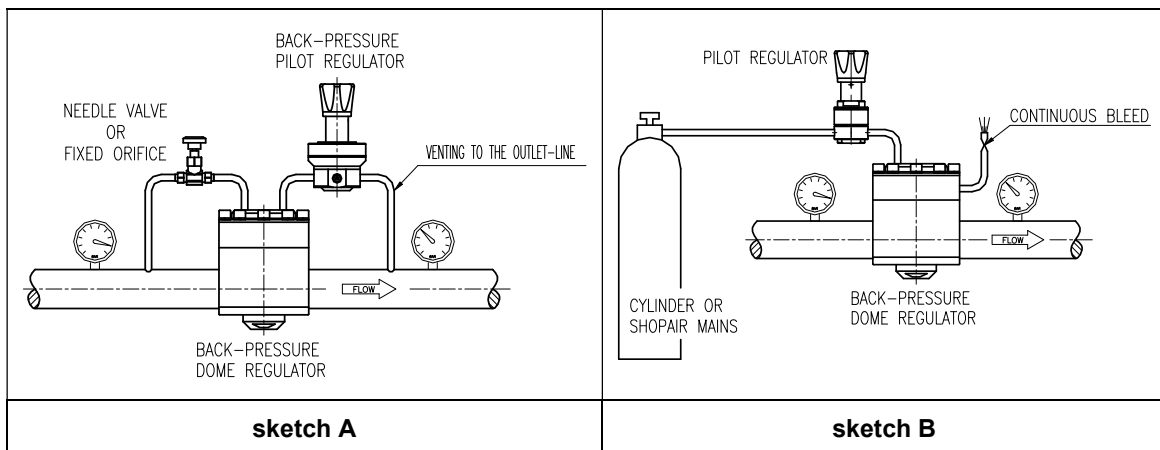
The dome can be filled in different ways.

1. This can be done by taking the gas or liquid pressure from the system and feeding this through a needle valve or fixed orifice into the dome.
A spring loaded back pressure regulator controls the dome pressure. The outlet pressure from the pilot regulator could be vented to the atmosphere or into the outlet line.
This is shown in sketch A.
2. The pressure in the dome can also be controlled with an external pressure source. The gas pressure can be taken from a cylinder or shopair mains.
A spring loaded pressure regulator controls the dome pressure. The regulator works best with a continuous bleed on the dome.
This is shown in sketch B.



CAUTION

It is not recommended to place a gauge on the dome to check the set pressure. Because of forces in the regulator, the dome pressure will always be lower than the inlet pressure. Place a gauge in the inlet line to check the set pressure.



External feedback



CAUTION

When using the regulator with external feedback, option -EF, make sure that the outlet pressure can be fed back to the external feedback connection before applying pressure to the regulator. Failing to do so may lead to damage and non-functioning of the regulator as the inlet pressure will be put straight through to the outlet.

The purpose of the external feedback on a pressure regulator is to get a more accurate regulation of the outlet pressure. This can be achieved by sensing the outlet pressure downstream of the regulator and feeding it back to the regulator. For this purpose Swagelok has provided a special connection, marked on the regulator itself as "external feedback".

Connecting the external feedback

The external feedback must be installed as follows:

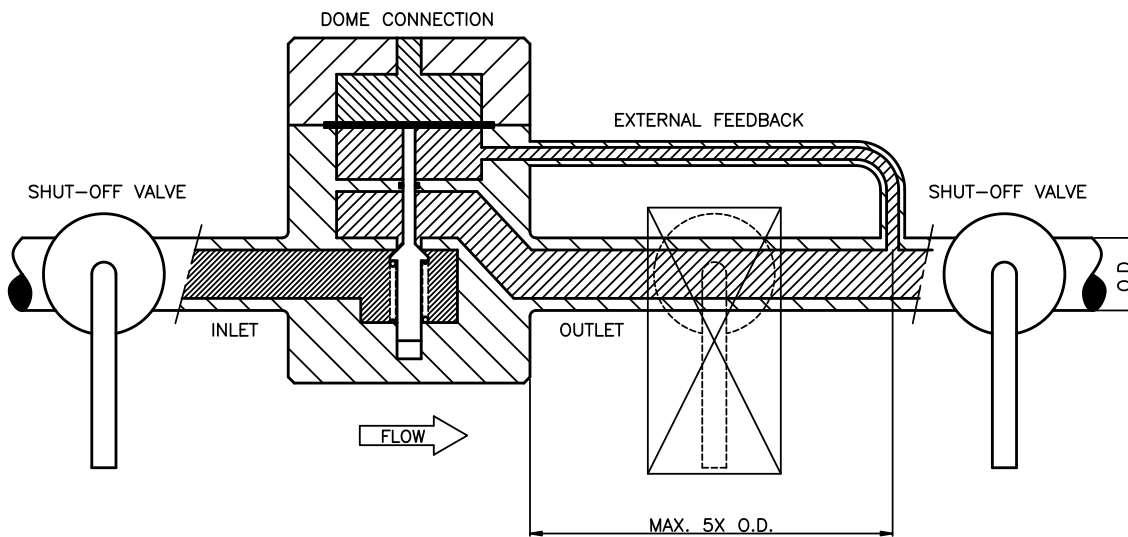
- The external feedback is to be connected in a turbulence-free zone in the downstream piping, at a maximum distance of 5x the outside diameter of the down stream piping.
- The external feedback must be connected on top of the downstream piping.



CAUTION

Never connect the external feedback line downstream of a shut-off valve.

Principle sketch of external feedback:



Operation

Note: All directions are when viewed from above.

- Inlet and set pressure settings are obtained by adjusting pressure in the dome.
 - Increase the pressure in the dome to increase the inlet pressure.
 - Decrease the pressure in the dome to decrease the inlet pressure.
- Icing of the regulator at high flow rates or high pressure drops may occur if the gaseous media or atmosphere contains moisture.
- An auxiliary upstream filter is recommended for use in all but the cleanest of media.
- After flow, the inlet pressure will fall a little under the set pressure.
This is because of the closing force required for bubble-tight closing of the regulator.
This phenomenon is usually referred to as the “**reseat pressure**” and does not indicate a problem with the regulator.
- An increase in the flow will result in a rise of the set pressure.
A decrease in the flow will result in a fall of the set pressure.
This is because of the force required for opening the valve of the regulator.
This phenomenon is usually referred to as the “**accumulation pressure**” and does not indicate a problem with the regulator.
- An increase of the outlet pressure will result in a fall of the set pressure.
A decrease of the outlet pressure will result in a rise of the set pressure.
This phenomenon is usually referred to as the “**dependency**” and does not indicate a problem with the regulator.

Maintenance

Required tools for maintenance

- a vice to fasten the regulator
- pincers to take out the o-rings
- a torque wrench
- a torque wrench hexagon head key 6
- a torque wrench “open end insert tool”, 24 mm
- a torque wrench “open end insert tool”, 48 mm
- media and temperature compatible lubricant for reassembling threaded parts
- media and temperature compatible lubricant for o-rings
- Snoop® liquid leak detector

Disassembly

- Loosen the hexagon socket head screws and remove the dome, dome spring, diaphragm valve assembly.
- Loosen the diaphragm plates to remove the diaphragm and to loosen the valve assembly.
- Loosen the bodyplug and remove the bodyplug and seat.

Inspection of disassembled parts

- Check all parts for abnormal wear. Replace parts in case of doubt.

Points of attention before assembly

- All parts must be clean and undamaged before starting assembly.
- Swagelok recommends replacing all o-rings and the diaphragm before assembly.
- All threaded parts must be lightly lubricated before assembly to avoid galling of threads.
- All o-rings need to be lightly lubricated to improve the lifetime of the o-ring and the performance of the regulator.

Assembly

Follow the points for disassembly in reverse order to assemble the regulator.

Recommended torques



CAUTION

Only tighten the bolts or parts if the regulator is completely depressurized.

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| ▪ Hexagon socket head screws M8 | 25 N·m (221 in·lb) |
| ▪ Diaphragm plate assembly | 40 N·m (354 in·lb) |
| ▪ Bodyplug | 20 N·m (177 in·lb) |

Testing

Check the regulator for leakage across the seat, with low- and high inlet pressure.

Check the regulator for leakage across the diaphragm, with low- and high inlet pressure.

A well performing BD(H)6, 8 is 100 % bubble tight.

If there is a leakage across the seat or the diaphragm, the damaged parts must be replaced.

Troubleshooting

Problem:	The outlet pressure creeps up, without increasing the dome pressure.
Cause:	A damaged valve and/or seat.
Solution:	Replace the valve and/or the seat.
Problem:	Leakage around the bodyplug.
Cause:	A damaged o-ring or insufficient torque on the body plug.
Solution:	Replace the o-ring or tighten the bodyplug according to the torque specifications.
Problem:	Leakage between the body and the dome.
Cause:	A damaged diaphragm or insufficient torque on the bolts.
Solution:	Replace the diaphragm or tighten the bolts according to the torque specifications.
Problem:	The required set pressure can not be reached.
Cause:	The inlet pressure is not high enough.
Solution:	Make sure that the inlet pressure is sufficient.
Problem:	The inlet pressure rises too much when going from a dynamic to a static situation.
Cause:	There is too much flow in the dynamic situation.
Solution:	A larger regulator is required. Check the specific application data with the flow curves in our product literature, if available.
Problem:	The inlet pressure does not drop if the pressure in the dome is lowered.
Cause:	The valve assembly is sticking.
Solution:	Replace the valve assembly.
Problem:	The regulator will not relieve at the set point.
Cause:	The valve assembly is sticking or the dome pressure is accidentally adjusted.
Solution:	Replace the valve assembly or re-adjust the dome pressure.
Problem:	The inlet pressure has changed without adjusting the dome pressure.
Cause:	Changes to the outlet pressure will result in changes to the set pressure.
Solution:	Maintain a constant outlet pressure on the regulator. See section "operation" about dependency.

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WARNING:

Do not mix/interchange Swagelok products or components not governed by industrial design standards, including Swagelok tube fitting end connections, with those of other manufacturers.

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