# **INSTRUCTION** MANUAL

### **DIRECT DRIVE ROTARY VANE PUMPS GA SERIES**

#### **INSTALLATION**

The pump has to be installed exclusively by skilled personnel with proper equipment.

#### WARNING

For food applications the pumps (even when NSF listed) need to be sanitized by circulating water at 80 °C (176 F) for at least 20 minutes. The water used for this operation must not be reused, either during the sterilization or later.

This product is not designed to pump dangerous fluids, including flammable or toxic fluids.

It is recommended not pulling out the two protection sponge caps placed on the inlet and outlet of the pump before mounting the fittings and connecting the pipes, to avoid the incidental entrance of any solid extraneous object which might damage the internal components

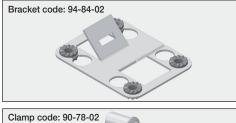
# **CONNECTING THE UNIT TO THE FRAME** For the brush D42 motor

Bracket code: 94-84-01

Clamp code: 90-78-01



clarification or explanation.





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of the pump. Model numbers of this product are

available with optional features, materials and

performance. Choice of the model should be

appropriate to its intended use. Attention should be paid when installing a service pump, including matching

the model numbers. Changing the pump with a model

of different capacity may damage the system, the

motor and the pump itself. The "GA" series pumps

are equipped with weep holes, therefore the normal

condensation may evaporate. If continuous operation is

needed, the unit has to be mounted in an airv space in

The pump must be mounted horizontally. To avoid noise

and vibrations of mechanical parts, it's advisable to

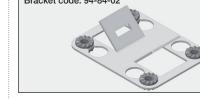
mount the motor on rubber shockabsorbing support.

Should any warning or limitation not be understood,

please contact an engineer at Fluid-o-Tech for

order to dissipate the heat produced by the motor.

For the brush D56 motor



# WIRING THE MOTOR TO THE POWER SUPPLY

- The power supply must be consistent with the electrical data printed on the motor plate. The power supply needs to be switched off during installation.
- The motor rotation must be clockwise (looking the motor in front). If operated counter-clockwise, the pump won't work.
- In case of failure or accidental entry of foreign objects, the pump-motor unit may stop or work in critical conditions. The motor is not equipped with a thermal protection to prevent overheating, or a current protection for overload.

# **CONNECTING THE DRIVER TO THE BLDC MOTOR**

An external driver is required to operate the BLDC motor. If any electronics are not already present in the machine, Fluid-o-Tech is able to supply the driver on request.

# **CONNECTING THE PUMP TO THE CIRCUIT**

The circuit should be carefully flushed before connecting the pump.

It's strongly recommended using, on the inlet port of the pump, pipes and connections of suitable size for the pump capacity.

The pumps - although identical in their aspect - may have GAS or NPT threaded ports. The thread of the fitting should match the thread of the pump port. If the pump has GAS threads the sealing is provided by an o-ring which is pressed against the flat surface of the port. With the NPT thread, the sealing is provided by the contact between the threads. Using a fitting with a GAS thread on a pump with NPT ports, or viceversa, may cause and burrs in the pump (especially on the inlet side) and cause the pump to fail. In this case a few turns of PTFE tape around the fittings are necessary.

Do not exceed in using PTFE tape as pieces of it may fall into the pump and cause the pump to fail.

The use of pipe dope (liquid sealant) should be avoided. Particular care is needed while mounting the fittings, to avoid liquid leaks. Hold the pump with a wrench in the area marked with the arrows indicating the inlet-outlet ports and the rotation sense, without over-tightening. It is recommended not exceeding 15 Nm torque when tightening the fittings because the threads on the pump might be damaged. It is suggested the use of aluminum sheets on each side of the pump to avoid damage to the ports. Don't use the motor as pump support when tightening the fittings, in order to avoid a possible misalignment and stress of the shafts. The material of the fittings must be consistent with the material of the pump body to avoid corrosion. The material of the pump body is available in stainless steel or brass.

# **OPERATING CONDITIONS**

For particular applications, please contact Fluid-o-Tech or the nearest authorized Fluid-o-Tech distributor.

- For applications that require temperatures higher than 80  $^\circ C$  (176 F), please contact Fluid-o-Tech.
- The maximum differential pressure must not exceed 10 bar (145 psi)
- The maximum system pressure must not exceed 10 bar (145 psi)
- A hydraulic circuit with elbows and sudden changes in the diameter of the pipes, causes turbulence in the water and resonance in the machine
- Although Fluid-o-Tech may give technical support, the final approval of the pumps is responsibility of the Customer, in fact the performances and reliability may be affected by particular operating conditions and/or hydraulic circuits.
- The pumps show an increase in flow rate in the first part of their life due to the run-in of the pump which reduces its friction and causes the motor to run faster.

# USEFUL TIPS FOR A LONG LASTING LIFE OF THE ROTOFLOW PUMPS

This product is designed for indoor use or enclosures designed to exclude weather. The Rotoflow pump is designed to handle clean fluids only. It is necessary for this reason to install before the pump a 10  $\mu$ m filter with a filtering area big enough, so as not to cause flow-pressure losses in the circuit.

Place the filter at least 50 cm before the inlet port of the pump in order to avoid cavitation. It is also important to check periodically the filter cartridge. In order to keep the filter under control, it is advisable to install a vacuum gauge before and after the filter. In case the vacuum increases more than 0.1 bar, the cartridge should be cleaned or changed. A dirty filter, which doesn't allow enough flow of liquid through it, causes cavitation and fast wear of the pump. The rotary vane pumps are self-priming, but dry running may cause failure of the mechanical seal and internal components and therefore possible leaks. Leaks may be also caused by ingress of extraneous solid particles. Consideration should be given or countermeasures taken to avoid creation of dangerous or damaging conditions.

Before operation it is advisable to pour little water into the pump to keep the seal area wet in the first seconds of operation.

If the line is subject to scarce pressure or flow it is

necessary to fit a low pressure switch before the pump in order to switch the motor off in case of water shortage. In order to avoid cavitation, if the tank is at atmospheric pressure, do not install the pump more than 1 m above the maximum liquid level of the tank.

It is also necessary to protect the system from incidental overpressures with safety devices such as a pressure relief valve or a pressure switch connected to the motor. If possible it's advisable to install the pump as close as possible to the tank. The bypass valve is set at 14 bar (203 psi) unless otherwise requested.

The bypass valve is a relief valve to protect circuit from peaks of pressure beyond its set value and must not be used as a flow regulator. If used as a flow regulator, the water in excess will recirculate inside the pump, heating and accelerating the deposit of limestone on the pump components. The maximum differential pressure should be at least 3 bar (43 psi) lower than the bypass valve setting in order to avoid operation with the bypass valve open. The maximum differential pressure must not exceed 10 bar (145 psi).

This product has the potential for the shaft to lock. Consideration should be given or countermeasures taken to avoid damage to the motor.

A few drops of water from the drain holes of the pump are normal during the first hours of operation. In case the leaking persists, contact Fluid-o-Tech.

#### WARRANTY

Every new pump is guaranteed to be free of defects when leaving the factory for a period of 12 months from the production date stamped on the pump's housing, plus a period of 3 months to cover the warehouse and transit time, or for a period of maximum 15 months from the purchasing date. In no event shall this period exceed 15 months from the date of the original invoice.

Warranty remedy is limited to repair or replacement of defective product at Fluid-o-Tech own judgement.

Fluid-o-Tech's responsibility under this warranty is limited to the repair or replacement of defective product returned to us on a D.A.P. basis, providing that our analysis discloses that such product or parts was defective at the time of sale. The warranty is void if:

- The pump has been disassembled or modified by anyone other than a Fluid-o-Tech (or authorized by Fluid-o-Tech) engineer or repaired with non-original components
- The pump operated dry or in cavitation
- Solid extraneous particles are found in the pump
- Evident signs of over-pressure are observed compared to the values reported in the data sheet or in the

specifications provided by the Customer and accepted by Fluid-o-Tech.

- The pump has been utilized for an application where the operating conditions and/or the pumped liquid were incompatible with the pump itself, or the pump was not explicitly approved by Fluid-o-Tech for such an application
- The operating pressure results to be less than 1 bar below the bypass valve setting.

The adjustment or replacement of defective parts made under this warranty will not extend the original warranty period. The Purchaser/User is responsible for the disposal or recycling of the product at end of its use or lifetime. For more information on proper disposal method, please contact Fluid-o-Tech Customer Care.

#### CERTIFICATIONS

NSF standard 169 listed pumps (GA Series). NSF 169 listed pumps that meet the requirements of the low lead American law AB 1953

- The product complies with the following Directives:
- Directive 94/9/EC of the European Parliament and of the Council, of 23rd March 1994, related to equipments and protection devices intended to be used in potentially explosive enviroments – Atex.
- D.M. 174/04 of the Health Ministry, of 6<sup>th</sup> April 2004, on materials and devices that may be used in fixed catching, treatment, adduction and distribution installations of waters destined for human use.
- EC Regulation n.1935/2004 of the European Parliament and the Council of 27<sup>th</sup> October 2004 on materials and articles intended to come into contact with food products and for which there are migration tests with photo A as required by DM n.338 of 22<sup>nd</sup> July 1998 Encl.1 Chapter 1.

Pump-motor units equipped with motors satisfy the requirements of the following Directives for the member states' legislations approaching:

- Directive 2006/42/CE of the European Parliament and of the Council, of 17th May 2006.
- Directive 94/9/EC of the European Parliament and of the Council, of 23rd March 1994, related to equipment and protection devices intended to be used in potentially explosive environments - ATEX.
- Directive 2011/65/EU of the European Parliament and of the Council, of 08<sup>th</sup> June 2011, on the restriction of the use of certain hazardous substances in electrical and electronic equipment – RoHS.