VariStroke-I (VS-I)
Electro-hydraulic Actuator

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Warnings and Notices

Important Definitions
This is the safety alert symbol used to alert you to potential personal injury hazards. Obey all safety messages that follow this symbol to avoid possible injury or death.

- **DANGER** - Indicates a hazardous situation, which if not avoided, will result in death or serious injury.
- **WARNING** - Indicates a hazardous situation, which if not avoided, could result in death or serious injury.
- **CAUTION** - Indicates a hazardous situation, which if not avoided, could result in minor or moderate injury.
- **NOTICE** - Indicates a hazard that could result in property damage only (including damage to the control).
- **IMPORTANT** - Designates an operating tip or maintenance suggestion.

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<th>The engine, turbine, or other type of prime mover should be equipped with an overspeed shutdown device to protect against runaway or damage to the prime mover with possible personal injury, loss of life, or property damage. The overspeed shutdown device must be totally independent of the prime mover control system. An overtemperature or overpressure shutdown device may also be needed for safety, as appropriate.</th>
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| WARNING | The products described in this publication may present risks that could lead to personal injury, loss of life, or property damage. Always wear the appropriate personal protective equipment (PPE) for the job at hand. Equipment that should be considered includes but is not limited to:  
- Eye Protection  
- Hearing Protection  
- Hard Hat  
- Gloves  
- Safety Boots  
- Respirator  
Always read the proper Material Safety Data Sheet (MSDS) for any working fluid(s) and comply with recommended safety equipment. |
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Electrostatic Discharge Awareness

Electronic controls contain static-sensitive parts. Observe the following precautions to prevent damage to these parts:

- Discharge body static before handling the control (with power to the control turned off, contact a grounded surface and maintain contact while handling the control).
- Avoid all plastic, vinyl, and Styrofoam (except antistatic versions) around printed circuit boards.
- Do not touch the components or conductors on a printed circuit board with your hands or with conductive devices.

To prevent damage to electronic components caused by improper handling, read and observe the precautions in Woodward manual 82715, Guide for Handling and Protection of Electronic Controls, Printed Circuit Boards, and Modules.

Follow these precautions when working with or near the control.

1. Avoid the build-up of static electricity on your body by not wearing clothing made of synthetic materials. Wear cotton or cotton-blend materials as much as possible because these do not store static electric charges as much as synthetics.

2. Do not remove the printed circuit board (PCB) from the control cabinet unless absolutely necessary. If you must remove the PCB from the control cabinet, follow these precautions:
   - Do not touch any part of the PCB except the edges.
   - Do not touch the electrical conductors, the connectors, or the components with conductive devices or with your hands.
   - When replacing a PCB, keep the new PCB in the plastic antistatic protective bag it comes in until you are ready to install it. Immediately after removing the old PCB from the control cabinet, place it in the antistatic protective bag.
Regulatory Compliance

Product Compliance Code: Product certifications are dictated by the product model number, and traceable per the product serial number. For information on which hazardous locations any particular VariStroke is rated for, refer to the Model Number and Model Number information below. Find the Model Number on the nameplate of the VariStroke.

### Varistroke Model Number Information

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European Compliance for CE Marking:


- Certificate: Sira 14ATEX5029X
- Zone 1, Category 2, Group IIIG, Ex d IIB T4 Gb
- Certificate: Sira 14ATEX1028X

North American Compliance:

**CSA**: CSA Certified for Class I, Div. 1, Groups C & D Class I, Division 2, Groups A, B, C, & D, T4 at 85 °C
For use in Canada and the United States

Other European and International Compliance:

**IECEX**: Certified for use in hazardous locations
- Zone 1, Category 2, Group IIIG, Ex d IIB T4 Gb
- Zone 2, Category 3, Group IIIG, Ex nA IIC T4 Gc
- Certificate: IECEX CSA 13.0041

Pressure Equipment Directive: Compliant as “SEP” per Article 4.3 to Pressure Equipment Directive 2014/68/EU on the harmonisation of the laws of the Member States relating to the making available on the market of pressure equipment.


Special Conditions for Safe Use

Wiring must be in accordance with North American, European, or other International wiring methods as applicable, and in accordance with the authority having jurisdiction.

For Zone 1 / Division 1: Conduit seals must be installed within 18 inches (457 mm) of the conduit entry when used in zone 1 / Division 1 hazardous locations.

Field wiring must be suitable for at least +85 °C and 10 °C above the maximum fluid and ambient temperatures.

The maximum hydraulic oil temperature is 70 °C continuous.

The VS-I actuator must be used in ambient temperature range from –40 °C to +85 °C.

The following have a maximum constructional gap (ic) less than that required by Tables 1 and 2 of EN 60079-1 and hence are as detailed below:

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Connect external safety ground terminal to earth ground.

Compliance with the Machinery Directive 2006/42/EC noise measurement and mitigation requirements is the responsibility of the manufacturer of the machinery into which this product is incorporated.

Reduce the risk of electrostatic discharge by permanent installation of the valve, proper connection of the equipotential ground lugs, and care when cleaning. Do not clean the valve unless the area is known to be non-hazardous.

Under certain extreme circumstances, the non-metallic parts incorporated in the enclosure of this equipment may generate an ignition-capable level of electrostatic charge. Therefore, do not install the equipment in a location where the external conditions are conducive to the build-up of electrostatic charge on such surfaces. This is particularly important if the equipment is installed in a Zone 0 location. In addition, only clean the equipment with a damp cloth.
Transient protection for the VariStroke-I is to be provided externally by the end user. The transient protection device is to be set at a level not exceeding 140% of the peak rated voltage.

The installation of the VariStroke-I shall only be within a Pollution Degree 2 environment as defined in IEC 60664-1.

**WARNING**  EXPLOSION HAZARD—Do not connect or disconnect while circuits are live unless area is known to be non-hazardous. Substitution of components may impair suitability for Zone 2 applications.

**WARNING**  The external ground lugs shown on the installation drawing must be properly connected to ensure equipotential bonding. This will reduce the risk of electrostatic discharge in an explosive atmosphere.

**Safety Symbols**

- Direct Current
- Alternating Current
- Both Alternating and Direct Current
- Caution, risk of electrical shock
- Caution, refer to accompanying documents
- Protective conductor terminal
- Frame or chassis terminal
Chapter 1.
General Information

Introduction

The VariStroke-I is a linear electro-hydraulic actuator that utilizes a double-acting or spring-assist power cylinder with integrated electronic driver module, servo valve, and redundant MLDTs (Magnetostrictive Linear Displacement Transducer) – based position feedback sensors to precisely control steam turbine valves. The actuator’s driver module accepts one or two (redundant) 4–20 mA demand setpoints and compares these setpoints to the sensed actuator shaft position to accurately control output shaft position.

The actuator’s output shaft position is controlled by a digital controller with an internal rotary servo valve that ports supply oil to and from its power cylinder piston. This actuator’s digital controller architecture allows it to perform stable position control during normal conditions, and responds quickly to desired valve step changes during system or plant transients. The actuator output force is generated only by oil pressure for double-acting power cylinder. For the spring assist, actuator output force is a combination of force from hydraulic pressure and spring. Spring assist cylinder is still working as double acting actuator but it has a spring installed inside the cylinder. Spring can be mounted either on the piston or rod side and it generates force toward the failsafe position. There are three different spring force categories for each cylinder diameter, except for 8” and 10” cylinder bores which need four spring force categories to cover application needs. The springs are rated at about ~1.5%, ~2.5%, ~5.5%, and ~10.5% of stall force at 500-psi supply pressure.

As a means of protecting the turbine, an internal servo valve-return spring forces the actuator to a failsafe position to safely close turbine control valves upon any internal unit failure (electrical input power failure, position sensor failure, processor failure, etc.). Additionally for the spring assist, power cylinder the actuator spring assists in closing the valve in the event of the loss of oil pressure and helps to maintain fail safe position.

The VariStroke-I actuator is a product family with many different models available for purchase depending on the force, stroke, and redundancy required. Servo V45 (flow 212-530l/min) works with 4, 5, 6, 8 and 10 inch actuators. Cylinders are available with standard bore diameters and standard stroke ranges. The VariStroke’s unique “variable stroke” capability also allows users to customize/set the actuator’s exact maximum stop position in the field to meet their requirement. The VariStroke-I is available as an integrated unit, or as a Remote Servo kit where the cylinder can be mounted up to 3 meters (approx. 10 feet) away from the servo. V45 servo is available also as Servo Only option for users who wish to use their own hydraulic cylinder.

The VariStroke-I is factory and/or field configurable via a computer-based service tool. The actuator’s PCI Service Tool uses a simple user-friendly format to allow users to easily configure, calibrate, and adjust all internal functions and response settings. The VariStroke-I also includes a 4–20 mA output channel to indicate output shaft (control valve) position, and unit alarm and shut down relay outputs for use as unit health and status indications.

The total installed cost for this fully integrated actuator is low because it has been completely assembled and tested at the factory. This greatly reduces OEM and end-user fabrication time, testing time, and site assembly time.

The VariStroke Actuator offers the following benefits to the user in comparison to other electro-hydraulic actuators:
Dirt Tolerance
The VariStroke-I actuator is specifically designed for steam turbine applications where turbine lube oil is also used to power the hydraulic turbine control valve actuator(s). Steam turbine applications can be extremely challenging for hydraulic control valve actuators as dirt, metal shavings, water, and other contaminants (Babbitt, ammonia, etc.) are common in such oil systems. Also due to the high temperatures at which steam turbines operate, turbine oil breakdown is common, resulting in the creation of a sludge-type substance and the varnishing of internal system components. However, the VariStroke-I actuator is designed to operate reliably within such challenging applications. Its corrosion-resistant materials, single moving rotary valve, 222 N (50 lbf) of chip shear force, and self-cleaning port design allow it to operate in such applications without experiencing undesirable sticking or dragging.

Valve Rack Linearization
Since flow-through single and staged inlet steam valves tend to be non-linear throughout their flow range, turbine controls must be de-tuned to compensate for instability or sluggish control points throughout this range. As a way of allowing turbine control optimization, the VariStroke-I includes an 11-point linearization table to allow turbine OEMs or users to compensate for poor valve linearization by digitally linearizing the control-to-valve flow relationship.

Side Load Capability
A common problem with turbine actuators is oil leaking from their output shaft due to connection to valve rack linkages, which have an arc-type of motion. This motion results in side loading of the actuator shaft, and after long periods may result in shaft-seal wear and resultant oil leakage. Designed for a continuous side load of up to 10% of actuator output, the VariStroke-I actuator incorporates a high-force precision bearing and triple-seal technology on its output shaft to solve this typical application problem.
The VariStroke-I is made up of the following major components (Figure 1-1):

1. Hydraulic Power Cylinder
2. Rotary Servo Valve
3. Feedback Sensors: MLDT (Magnetostrictive Linear Displacement Transducer) – for power cylinder position controlling
4. Integrated electronic driver module (PCB)
The VariStroke-I Remote Servo Kit (Figure 1-2) contains the same primary components as integrated version, this kit allows the Hydraulic Power Cylinder to be mounted separately from the servo in applications where space is constrained.

Figure 1-2. VariStroke-I Remote, Key Features
Hydraulic Power Cylinder

The simple and robust design of VS-I hydraulic cylinder (Figure 1-3) is capable of consistent performance for extended periods in challenging environments. Hydraulic cylinder is designed to operate in wide range of hydraulic pressures and with high oil contamination. The actuation stroke range can be adjusted precisely using PC service tool allowing the same actuator to accommodate a variety of strokes.

The hydraulic power cylinder is designed to be field replaceable in turbine shut down condition.

![Hydraulic Power Cylinder - Stroke Adjustment Options](image)

Figure 1-3. Hydraulic Power Cylinder - Stroke Adjustment Options

Rotary Servo Valve

The servo valve has four ports: Supply, two Control Ports, and Drain/Tank. With the hydraulic valve in its middle position, all ports are blocked. As the valve rotates, the supply is connected to a control port while simultaneously connecting the drain to the other control port. The combined action of the servo position controller and cylinder position controller modulate the power cylinder position as necessary to match the input demand.

Additionally, the Remote Servo has an OVBD (Over Board Drain) port which is permanently connected to drain. This port can (optionally) be connected to the OVBD connection on Hydraulic Power Cylinder to drain any leakage past the primary rod seal.

A unique function of the software is a periodic, symmetrically opposed impulse which flushes silt and debris from the servo valve without causing undue wear called “Silt Buster”. At the interval and amplitude selected by the user, this function provides a very rapid motion of the hydraulic valve allowing any silt to be flushed to the drain passage. This motion is followed immediately by a step of equal amplitude in the opposite direction. The opposing symmetry of the impulse results in no net change in fluid volume to the controlled servo valve, and thus does not interrupt the control of the turbine. This unique function provides a higher degree of stability, reliability, and silt resistance.
If the unit detects any diagnostic shut down condition, or if the detected diagnostic condition prevents reliable control, or if a loss of power occurs, the servo valve return spring forces the valve to connect the appropriate control pressure to drain causing the cylinder to move to the fail-safe position.

**Servo Valve Actuator**
The VS-I uses a rotary limited angle torque (LAT) actuator. The permanent magnet rotor is directly coupled to the servo valve.

The position of the rotor is measured by a solid state integrated circuit on the PCB which detects the orientation of the sensing magnet on the shaft. The H-bridge drive is regulated by the microprocessor to precisely control the servo valve position and maintain the cylinder stroke position demand.

**Electronic Driver Module Printed Circuit Board (PCB)**
The PCB is mounted on top of the housing and performs the following tasks:
- Power Supply
- Isolated Input and Outputs
- Dual Redundant Demand inputs
- Dual Redundant inputs for Final Cylinder Feedback
- Microprocessor based control
- Actuator H-Bridge Drive
- Current Limiting for Thermal Protection
- Advanced Diagnostics
- Discrete Outputs for Fault, Alarm and Shutdown Enunciation

The shield connections for the Analog Output (terminal #20), CAN1 (terminal #23) and CAN2 (terminal #29) are through capacitors only as indicated in the wiring section of this manual.
The power supply system performs the EMI filtering on the (18 to 32) V (dc) input voltage, generates controlled voltages for several electronics sub-systems and is monitored for proper operation. If input voltage or internal power systems are detected outside of allowable operating ranges, a diagnostic alarm will be enunciated.

Calibration and configuration of alarms and shut down and redundancy operation are configurable via the PC Service Tool.

The primary demand and redundant demand / feedback input signals are designed for a (4 to 20) mA control signal. Each input signal is EMC protected.

Discrete outputs are provided for alarm and shut down enunciation. An internal LED also is illuminated when a fault condition is detected. Cover needs to be removed to see this LED. The configurable discrete output can be customized to output a variety of enunciations using the PC Service Tool. All of the discrete outputs are configurable for normally open or normally closed action using the PC Service Tool.

**Cylinder Position Control**

The cylinder position controller adjusts the hydraulic power cylinder position to match the feedback signal to the demand. Monitoring of both the servo position controller and cylinder position controller ensures accurate tracking.

The position controller regulates a Pulse Width Modulated (PWM) drive signal to the actuator. The drive current to the actuator is regulated, transiently allowing up to 10 Amps to be provided to move the actuator at its maximum speed and torque. A steady state current limit becomes active after a period of a few seconds to protect the actuator and electronics.

**VS-I Remote Servo Only Construction**

The Remote Servo (Figure 1-5) has the following major components:

1. Rotary Servo Valve
2. PCB (This information is available in the VS-I Integrated and Remote Construction section above

**Rotary Servo Valve**

The hydraulic servo valve has five ports: Supply, two Control Ports, Over Board Drain (OVBD), and Drain/Tank. With the hydraulic valve in its middle position, both control ports are blocked. As the valve rotates, supply pressure is connected to a control port while simultaneously connecting the drain to the other control port. The combined action of the servo position controller and cylinder position controller modulate the power cylinder position as necessary to match the input demand. OVBD is permanently connected to drain and can (optionally) be connected to the OVBD connection on Hydraulic Power Cylinder to drain any leakage pass the primary rod seal.

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Hydraulic Power Cylinder
The VariStroke Remote Servo can be connected to any hydraulic cylinder, however; proper operation requires that the VariStroke Performance Equation be satisfied (see Chapter 2, Performance Index). In order to control cylinder position, the Cylinder must be equipped with a position feedback sensor. The position sensor must meet the following specifications:
- Output Signal: 4–20 mA
- Input voltage (provided by the VariStroke Circuit Board): 15 Vdc
- Update Rate: ≤1 ms
- Linearity: ±0.04% Full Stroke
- Current Drain: < 100 mA
- Sensor Length must not exceed 2 times the Cylinder Stroke Length
### Varistroke Model Number Information

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<td>V</td>
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*No hydraulic cylinder

**Available Action:**
- **D:** Direct-Acting
- **B:** Balanced
- **T:** Spring-Loaded
- **U:** Unbalanced

**Mounting Option:**
- **X:** Clamp

**Rod End:**
- **X:** No hydraulic cylinder

**Configuration:**
- **V:** VariStroke

**Varistroke Product Line:**
- **V:** VariStroke

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Figure 1-6. Nomenclature and Ordering Number Encoder
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Physical and Performance Specifications

Table 2-1. Bore and Rod Diameter by Valve Size

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<tr>
<th>Bore Diameter (OD)</th>
<th>Rod Diameter (ID)</th>
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<td>4 inches (101.6 mm)</td>
<td>1.75 inches (44.5 mm)</td>
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<tr>
<td>5 inches (127.0 mm)</td>
<td>1.75 inches (44.5 mm)</td>
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<tr>
<td>6 inches (152.4 mm)</td>
<td>2.5 inches (63.5 mm)</td>
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<tr>
<td>8 inches (203.2 mm)</td>
<td>3.5 inches (88.9 mm)</td>
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<tr>
<td>10 inches (254.0 mm)</td>
<td>4.5 inches (114.3 mm)</td>
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Table 2-2. Available Springs for Spring Assist Cylinders

Average spring force ± 10% [lbf]
(Reference Spring Rate [lbf/in])

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<td>84</td>
<td>170</td>
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<td></td>
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<td>(14)</td>
<td>(28)</td>
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<td>6</td>
<td>3</td>
<td>162</td>
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<td>(88.5)</td>
<td>(160.8)</td>
<td>(327.8)</td>
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Note: Average spring force was calculated for cylinder @ 50% of mechanical stroke.

Stall Force (extending): Extend Stall force can be obtained from following equation:

\[
\text{Extend Stall} = \frac{\pi}{4} \cdot \text{OD}^2 \cdot p
\]

\[\text{in}^2 \cdot \text{psi} = \text{lbf} \] or \[\text{mm}^2 \cdot \text{MPa} = \text{N}\]

Stall Force (retracting): Retract Stall force can be obtained from following equation:

\[
\text{Retract Stall} = \frac{\pi}{4} \cdot (\text{OD}^2 - \text{ID}^2) \cdot p
\]

\[\text{in}^2 \cdot \text{psi} = \text{lbf} \] or \[\text{mm}^2 \cdot \text{MPa} = \text{N}\]
The formulas above are valid for double acting cylinders. For spring-assist actuators, additional spring force and its direction has to be taken into account.

- **Extending Slew Rate**: Configurable
- **Retracting Slew Rate**: Configurable

**Note**: Slew Rates for Remote Servo Applications may be 10–15% slower due to pressure drop on servo-cylinder piping.

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**IMPORTANT**

It is highly recommended that inlet supply pressure not decrease by more than 10% of nominal value during slew/step.

<table>
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<tr>
<th>Feature</th>
<th>Specification</th>
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<tr>
<td>Position Accuracy</td>
<td>±1% of full stroke</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Position Repeatability</td>
<td>±0.5% of full stroke</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>MLDT Temperature Drift</td>
<td>0.04% /°C</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Failsafe Operation</td>
<td>Internal return spring on servo valve spool force the hydraulic power cylinder to extend or retract (part number depended) in case of electrical signal loss. Additionally for spring-assist power cylinder internal spring installed in the cylinder generates force toward the fail save position.</td>
</tr>
</tbody>
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**WARNING**

Make sure that the VS-I hydraulic connections are installed correctly. Equipment damage is possible if the hydraulic connections are attached incorrectly (backwards). Reversed hydraulic connects will cause the actuator to operate backwards, making the fail-safe position opposite of where the user expects it to be.

**WARNING**

Never close the drain line when supply pressure is present on the VS-I unit, otherwise the control output pressure can increase suddenly and cannot be controlled by the input setpoint. This could cause the turbine to overspeed.

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Table 2-3. Environmental Specifications

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<th>Feature</th>
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<tr>
<td>Ambient Temperature</td>
<td>(–40 to +85) °C / (–40 to +185) °F</td>
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<tr>
<td>Vibration Resistance</td>
<td>MIL-STD 810F, M514.5A, Cat. 4 (0.015 G²/Hz, 1.04 Grms)</td>
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<tr>
<td>Corrosion resistance</td>
<td>Two part epoxy paint coating. Designed for outdoor conditions</td>
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Table 2-4. Electrical Specifications

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<tr>
<td>Supply Voltage</td>
<td>(18 to 32) V (dc), 24 V (dc) nominal (use cable at least 1.5 mm² / 16 AWG)</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Hold-up time</td>
<td>7 ms @ 2 A (dc) LAT current</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Current Consumption</td>
<td>2.3 A (MAX) at steady state @ 24 V 10 A transient (100 ms maximum)</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Demand Signals #1, 2</td>
<td>(4 to 20) mA into 200 Ω. &gt;70 dB CMRR. Common Mode Voltage Range ±50 V (dc), Accuracy 0.1% of full scale @ 25 °C</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Cylinder Position Feedback Signals #1, 2</td>
<td>(4 to 20) mA into 235 Ω. &gt;70 dB CMRR. Common Mode Voltage Range ±50 V (dc), Accuracy 0.1% of full scale @ 25 °C</td>
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<table>
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<tr>
<td><strong>Analog Output Signal</strong></td>
<td>(4 to 20) mA. Maximum load: 500 Ω. Accuracy 0.5% of full scale @ 25 °C</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td><strong>Discrete Output Signal</strong></td>
<td>Configurable NO or NC</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td></td>
<td>0.5 A at 24 V (dc), max 32 V (dc)</td>
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<td></td>
<td>0.5 A inductive at 28 (dc) 0.2 Henry</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td><strong>Discrete Input Signal</strong></td>
<td>Contact current 3.8 mA (typ.) @ input closed</td>
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<tr>
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<td>Max input voltage 32 V (dc), High signal threshold &gt; 7 V; Low signal Threshold &lt; 3 V</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td><strong>Feedback Device (integrated)</strong></td>
<td>MLDT (Magnetostriuctive Linear Displacement Transducer)</td>
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<tr>
<td><strong>Connections</strong></td>
<td>Removable terminal suitable for 0.14 to 2.5 mm² or 12 to 24 AWG stranded wire</td>
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<td><strong>Cable Entries</strong></td>
<td>Analog: 0.750”-14 NPT</td>
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<td>Power: 0.750”-14 NPT</td>
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<td>CAN: 0.500”-14 NPT</td>
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<td>Spare: 0.500”-14 NPT</td>
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<td><strong>Grounding connections</strong></td>
<td>PE Ground; Frame or Chassis Ground</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td><strong>Cable Entry for Remote Cylinder</strong></td>
<td>Position Sensor: 0.750”-14 NPT</td>
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#### Table 2-5. Cylinder Position Sensor Requirements (Remote Servo Only)

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<td><strong>Output Signal</strong></td>
<td>Analog: 4–20 mA</td>
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<tr>
<td><strong>Input Voltage</strong></td>
<td>15 Vdc (power provided by VariStroke)</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td><strong>Linearity</strong></td>
<td>±0.04% Full Stroke</td>
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<tr>
<td><strong>Current Drain</strong></td>
<td>&lt;100 mA</td>
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<tr>
<td><strong>Sensor Length</strong></td>
<td>≤ 2 times the Cylinder Stroke Length</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td><strong>Update Rate</strong></td>
<td>≤ 1 ms</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td><strong>Sensor Cable Length Limit</strong></td>
<td>3 m (10 feet) maximum between sensor and VariStroke</td>
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**IMPORTANT** Slower update rates than the one shown in the above requirements could result in excessive limit cycle, wear, and poor position accuracy.

It is for this reason that Woodward does NOT recommend using a combination of LVDTs and Signal Conditioners. This combination will typically result in unacceptable delays in the position sensor update rate.

Woodward recommends that the installer consider Magnetostriective position sensors and/or DCDTs.

#### Table 2-6. Hydraulic Specifications

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<tr>
<td><strong>Fluid Type</strong></td>
<td>Petroleum-based hydraulic fluids as well as fire resistant hydraulic fluids such as Fyrquel EHC</td>
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<tr>
<td><strong>Minimum Supply Pressure</strong></td>
<td>5.5 bar (80 psi)</td>
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<tr>
<td><strong>Maximum Supply Pressure</strong></td>
<td>34.5 bar (500 psi)</td>
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**IMPORTANT** Recommended setting hydraulic system pressure regulator to 110% or less of normal operating pressure to prevent over-pressure.

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<td><strong>Proof Pressure</strong></td>
<td>51.7 bar (750 psig)</td>
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<td><strong>Burst Pressure</strong></td>
<td>86.2 bar (1250 psig)</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td><strong>Fluid Temperature</strong></td>
<td>(15 to 70) °C / (59 to 158) °F continuous</td>
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<tr>
<td><strong>Fluid Cleanliness Level</strong></td>
<td>ISO 4406 code 20/18/16 or cleaner</td>
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<tr>
<td><strong>Output Cylinder Action</strong></td>
<td>Double</td>
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Hydraulic Connections for Integrated Actuators:
- Hydraulic Supply Port: 1.250 SAE Code 61 Flange
- Hydraulic Drain Port: 1.500 SAE Code 61 Flange

Hydraulic Connections for Remote Servo:
- Hydraulic Supply Port: 1.250 SAE Code 61 Flange
- Hydraulic Drain Port: 1.500 SAE Code 61 Flange
- Control ports C1 and C2: 1.000 SAE Code 61 Flange
- Actuator and Servo OVBD: .438-20 UNF

Pipe Size Between Remote Servo and Cylinder:
- Diameter: 25.4 mm (1 inch) minimum
- Length: 3 m (120 inch) maximum

Supply Fluid Flow:
Refer to following figures for Maximum Transient Flow Rate and Steady State Flow Rate Requirements:

![VSI Maximum Transient Flow Rates (During Full Slew)](image)

Figure 2-1. VSI Maximum Transient Flow Rates (During Full Slew)

**IMPORTANT** The figure above shows the estimated hydraulic flow necessary to maintain optimum performance of the VS-I. If the flow supplied to the actuator is lower than what is specified, the actuator will continue to operate, but at reduced performance.
The figure above shows the estimated hydraulic flow necessary during steady state operation for the V45 servo valve.

**Special Ambient Temperature Specifications / Allowances**

The following information applies only to a VariStroke-I installed in a non-hazardous location. If the VariStroke-I is installed in to a Zone 1, Zone 2, Division 1, or Division 2 environment, the Special Ambient Temperature Allowances do NOT apply.

The VariStroke comes equipped with multiple features that allow hydraulic fluid to constantly flow through the servo valve and power cylinder during normal operation. This allows the hydraulic fluid to act as a coolant on many of the critical components. The table below shows that the VariStroke can be safely operated above the standard Ambient Temperature rating so long as the hydraulic fluid supplied to the VariStroke can be reliably maintained at the specified temperatures.

<table>
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<tr>
<th>Hydraulic Fluid Temperature</th>
<th>Allowable Ambient Temperature for Servo Valve / Integrated Actuator</th>
<th>Allowable Ambient Temperature for Remote Cylinder</th>
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<tr>
<td>50 °C</td>
<td>105 °C</td>
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<tr>
<td>60 °C</td>
<td>95 °C</td>
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<td>70 °C</td>
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Performance Index

The VariStroke product line is designed to bring a multitude of benefits to the actuation marketplace. One of the primary benefits a customer will realize is the VariStroke’s ability to combine high-speed actuation with low-pressure hydraulic systems. To accomplish this, the VariStroke has utilized one of the largest, commercially available servo valves in the world. This large servo valve allows the VariStroke to operate at high speeds with only a single stage (i.e. no intermediate relay valves or second stage spool valves).

With this benefit, customers have quickly realized that they may have the ability to make full strokes on steam valve actuators much faster than they have in the past and, at the same time, still have very good small signal & steady state response. While this combination of performance attributes (fast slew speeds and good small signal response) is a primary feature of the VariStroke, there are limitations when pairing a large servo valve with a relatively small cylinder volume.

Before purchasing or installing a VS-I actuator, the user should verify that the actuator will operate properly. As shown in the relationship below, the performance of the VS-I is dependent on Servo Valve size, supply pressure, and the used cylinder volume. If the relationship below is satisfied, the actuator will operate smoothly, with minimal overshoot and limit cycle.

If the relationship below is NOT satisfied, the actuator performance will be compromised, resulting in excessive limit cycle and accelerated wear. The actuator will also output a "Performance Index Warning" alarm that cannot be disabled.

\[
VS_{\text{Constant}} \times \frac{\sqrt{P_{\text{supply}}}}{\pi \times \frac{D_{\text{cyl}}^2}{4} \times L_{\text{stroke}}} \leq 1
\]

Where:

- \(P_{\text{supply}} = \text{Supply Pressure in BAR}\)
- \(D_{\text{cyl}} = \text{Cylinder Diameter in Centimeters}\)
- \(L_{\text{stroke}} = \text{Stroke Length in Centimeters}\)

**Note:** This is the used maximum stop position. It may or may not equal the Cylinder Length.

\(VS_{\text{Constant}} = \text{Varistroke Constant} = 180\)

Figure 2-3 shows a graphical representation of the performance relationship for 4" (100mm), 5" (127 mm), and 6" (150mm) Bore Actuators. There are no limits for stroke-pressure combinations for bigger i.e. 8" (200mm) and 10" (250mm) Bore Actuators.
Figure 2-3. Performance Chart for 4", 5", and 6" Bore Actuators

Diagrams

Functional Block Diagram

Figure 2-4. Basic Device Block Diagram without Trip Function
VS-I Integrated Hydraulic Schematic

VS-I Remote Servo Hydraulic Schematic
VS-I Servo Only Hydraulic Schematic

Figure 2-7. VS-I Remote Servo Hydraulic Schematic

VS-I Integrated Spring Assist Hydraulic Schematic

Figure 2-8. VS-I Spring Assist Integrated Hydraulic Schematic
Figure 2-9. VS-I Spring Assist Remote Hydraulic Schematic
Outline dimensions and installation features for specific models are in the appropriate appendix in the Appendices section (at the end of this manual) according to the below table.

Table 2-8. VS-I Installation Drawings

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<td>V45TD-10XX</td>
<td>V45 Servo, 4-inch (100mm) Bore Integrated Servo-Cylinder</td>
<td>A</td>
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<td>V45TD-12XX</td>
<td>V45 Servo, 5-inch (127mm) Bore Integrated Servo-Cylinder</td>
<td>B</td>
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<td>V45TD-15XX</td>
<td>V45 Servo, 6-inch (150mm) Bore Integrated Servo-Cylinder</td>
<td>C</td>
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<td>V45 Servo, 8-inch (200mm) Bore Integrated Servo-Cylinder</td>
<td>D</td>
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<tr>
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<td>V45 Servo, 10-inch (250mm) Bore Integrated Servo-Cylinder</td>
<td>E</td>
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Notes

1. These general reference outline drawings apply to Woodward VS-I only. Consult Woodward for the latest outline drawing.

2. Installation Orientation:
   a. Cylinder - any orientation is acceptable.

3. Service Manual Replacement Parts:
   a. Servo Valve – Consult Woodward for part number
   b. Hydraulic Power Cylinder – Consult Woodward for part number
   c. Manual – Consult Woodward for part number
   d. Shaft Seals Kit(s) - Refer to Chapter 7 for additional details
   e. Electronics module (PCB) – Consult Woodward for part number
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Installation

Receiving Instructions

The VS-I is carefully packed at the factory to protect it from damage during shipping; however, careless handling during shipment can result in damage. If any damage to the VS-I is discovered, immediately notify both the shipping agent and Woodward.

Unpacking Instructions

Carefully unpack the VS-I and remove it from the shipping container. Do not remove the hydraulic, electric blanking covers and hydraulic power cylinder’s output threaded shaft mesh until you are ready to mount the unit.

⚠️ WARNING ⚠️
The external ground lugs shown on the installation drawing must be properly connected to ensure equipotential bonding. This will reduce the risk of electrostatic discharge in an explosive atmosphere.

⚠️ WARNING ⚠️
External fire protection is not provided in the scope of this product. It is the responsibility of the user to satisfy any applicable requirements for their system.

⚠️ WARNING ⚠️
Take care not to damage the electronics cover’s seal, the cover surface, the threads, or the VS-I housing mating surface while removing or replacing the cover.

⚠️ WARNING ⚠️
For Division 1/Zone 1 products: Proper torque on all joints is very important to ensure that the unit is sealed properly.

⚠️ WARNING ⚠️
For lifting and transportation, use lifting straps fitted through both lifting lugs provided with the product. Support the VS-I in a vertical position during transportation.

⚠️ CAUTION ⚠️
Due to typical noise levels in engine and turbine environments, hearing protection should be worn when working on or around the VS-I.

⚠️ CAUTION ⚠️
The surface of this product can become hot enough or cold enough to be a hazard. Use protective gear for product handling in these circumstances. Temperature ratings are included in the specification section of this manual.
Installation Instructions

General
See the outline drawings and Specifications for:
- Outline dimensions
- Hydraulic connections and fitting sizes
- Electrical connections
- Weight of the VS-I

A vertical actuator position is generally preferred to conserve floor space as well as ease of making electrical and hydraulic connections. However, the VS-I can be mounted in any attitude. Recommend that the Remote Servo not be mounted upside-down to minimize the possibility of hydraulic oil dripping onto the circuit board.

Allow space for removal of the top cover for access to the terminal blocks and to see the status LEDs on the printed circuit board.

If the VS-I actuator is to be installed in close proximity to uninsulated/unshielded steam valves or piping, radiation heat shields should be installed between the actuator and these hot surfaces.

The Integrated VS-I is designed for support by the Hydraulic Power Cylinder Mating bottom or top surface. For each individual VS-I actuator bolt pattern, bolts and bolting torques recommendation needs to be followed as per Table 3-1.

For Remote Servo Kit installation, both Cylinder and Servo have their own mounting requirements. See the following drawings and table for bolt pattern position tolerances, thread sizes and recommended torques. The Hydraulic Cylinder can be bottom or top mounted while the Servo only has one mounting interface.

Installation Dimensions for Integrated Actuator

Figure 3-1a. VS-I Integrated Product Installation Interface - Bolting Pattern and Installation Features
Figure 3-1b. VS-I Integrated Product Installation Interface - Bolting Pattern and Installation Features
Installation Dimensions for Remote Servo Kit

Figure 3-2a. VS-I Remote. Product Installation Interface - Bolting Pattern and Installation Features
Figure 3-2b. VS-I Remote. Product Installation Interface—Bolting Pattern and Installation Features

Table 3-1. VS-I Installation Bolts and Bolting Torques Recommendation

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<tr>
<th>Cylinder Bore Size (inch/ mm)</th>
<th>Size</th>
<th>Min Thread Engagement (inch/ mm)</th>
<th>Min Bolt Grade</th>
<th>Bolting Torque lbf-ft. (Nm)</th>
<th>Thread Tol. Class Male/Female</th>
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<td>50-55 (68-75)</td>
<td>6H</td>
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<td>M16x2</td>
<td>1.60 (40.6)</td>
<td>10.9</td>
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<td>6 (152)</td>
<td>M16x2</td>
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<td>10 (254)</td>
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Fail Extend, Spring Assist Cylinders with no hydraulics have cylinder rod in fully extended position. For all fail retract spring assist cylinders the hydraulic rod is in retract position without hydraulic pressure.
Installation Dimensions for Servo Only

**NOTICE**

Minimum Bolt Grade, Bolting Torque and Thread Engagement Recommendation is valid for low carbon steel mounting surface to which product is bolted. For different configuration please consult Woodward for torque and bolts grade recommendations.
Lifting

VariStroke comes equipped with lifting brackets for vertical lifting. When transporting, use both brackets as shown below. Remote Servo and Remote Cylinder have their own, separate lifting features. Transport both Integrated and Remote Servo units in either the vertical or the horizontal position.

Figure 3-4. VS-I Lifting Positions
The VS-I Actuator is designed for support by the hydraulic power cylinder mating surface. Additional supports are neither needed nor recommended.

The servo valve is not designed to carry any load resulting from field mounting. For VS-I Integrated, the user is obligated to maintain the minimum required gap between servo valve and the actuator installation surface. For reference see outline drawing (Figure 3-1).

Any mounting deviation from the one recommended by Woodward might cause assembly damage, improper performance or operator injury risk.

Improper mounting might be considered as a violation of warranty conditions.

Maximum allowable linkage misalignment is 5°. It is highly recommended that the customer strictly warn the installer of this. Assure required pattern tolerance is adhered to based on interface as shown in Figures 3-1 and 3-2.
**WARNING** Ensure that the linkages and couplings connecting the VS-I output shaft to the turbine are appropriately sized and are able to withstand the stall force and dynamic loads.

**WARNING** The lifting eye located on the top of the VS-I Servo Valve is intended to lift ONLY the servo itself, not integrated servo-cylinder configurations.

**WARNING** Make sure that the crane, cables, straps, and all other lifting equipment used for VS-I lifting is able to support the VS-I weight. See outline drawings for VS-I weights.

**WARNING** When transporting the Hydraulic Cylinder in an upside-down position, the cylinder rod must be properly secured against uncontrolled rod movement.

**Hydraulic Connections**

For the Integrated VS-I, there are two hydraulic connections that must be made to each actuator:

- 1.250 SAE J518 Code 61 Flange for Hydraulic Supply Port
- 1.500 SAE J518 Code 61 Flange for Hydraulic Drain Port

**Note:** SAE J518, JIS B 8363, ISO/DIS 6162 AND DIN 20066 are interchangeable, except for bolt sizes/threads. The VS-I uses metric bolt sizes.

For the VS-I Remote Servo Kit and Servo Only options, there is an additional hydraulic connection between servo and cylinder:

- 1.000 SAE J518 Code 61 Flange for Hydraulic Control Ports

**Note:** SAE J518, JIS B 8363, ISO/DIS 6162 AND DIN 20066 are interchangeable, except for bolt sizes. VS-I uses metric bolt sizes.)

- Maximum Pipe Length between Remote Servo and Cylinder: 3 meters

Hydraulic connection tightening torques:

- Hydraulic Supply: 4x M10x1.5 Screws Torque to (34 to 48) N·m, (25 to 35 lb-ft)
- Hydraulic Drain: 4x M12x1.75 Screws Torque to (48 to 61) N·m, (35 to 45 lb-ft)
- Control ports, C1 and C2 (Remote and Remote Servo): 4x M10x1.5 Screws Torque to (34 – 48) Nm, (25 - 35 lbf-ft)
- OVBD Straight Thread port: Torque to (7 – 8) Nm, (65 - 69 lbf-in).

**CAUTION** Before installing the VS-I, all hydraulic lines must be thoroughly flushed.

Make provisions for proper filtration of the hydraulic fluid that will supply the actuator. Design the system filtration to assure a supply of hydraulic oil with a target cleanliness level of ISO 4406 code 20/18/16 or cleaner.

Construct the tubing connected to the actuator and/or servo to eliminate any transfer of vibration or other forces to the actuator.

The hydraulic supply to the servo is to be 32 mm (1.25 inches) tubing capable of supplying 530 L/min (140 US gal/min) at 34.5 bar / 500 psig.
The hydraulic drain should be 38 mm (1.5 inches) tubing or larger and must not restrict the flow of fluid from the actuator. The drain pressure must not exceed 10% of supply pressure or 3.4 bar (50 psig), whichever is less, under any condition.

Maximize pipe diameters to both the Supply and Drain connections, within reason, to ensure minimal flow losses and restrictions. For the same reason, keep pipe lengths to a minimum.

For Remote Servo-Cylinder connection, use 25 mm (1 inch) tubing to minimize servo-actuator plumbing flow restrictions. Recommend rigid/steel tubing for these connections.

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**IMPORTANT**

It is highly recommended that inlet supply pressure not be allowed to decrease by more than 10% of nominal value during slew/step.

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The hydraulic supply capacity should be large enough to supply the required slew rate of the attached servo system (See Hydraulic Supply Specifications). Significant reductions in dynamic performance, slew speed, and load capacity when the VS-I does not receive the required flow and pressure. **It is strongly recommended that a high volume hydraulic accumulator be positioned on the supply line as close to the VariStroke actuator as possible in order to maintain supply pressure and flow.** The supply pressure at the actuator inlet should remain within 10% of the set operating pressure during a full slew. See Figure 3-6 below.

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**WARNING**

Do not remove any test port connection plugs when hydraulic supply pressure is applied. All required hydraulic connections must be made before hydraulic pressure is applied. Hydraulic test ports provided for use by authorized service personnel only.
For step demands and/or trip movements actuator may generate pressure spikes in supply line due to water hammer effect. Hydraulic accumulator in supply line installed close to the VariStroke can considerably reduce or eliminate this effect.
Electrical Connections

Figure 3-7 shows an overall electrical wiring diagram. Detailed wiring requirements for these connections will follow in the remainder of the Electrical Connections section. The RS-232 connection is covered in Chapter 4 (Installing and Running the PC Service Tool).

Figure 3-7. Electrical Wiring Diagram
Input Power
The VS-I requires a power source capable of supplying the necessary output voltage and current at full transient conditions. The maximum power in watts (W) of a DC source is calculated by multiplying the rated output voltage by the maximum output current capability. The calculated power rating of the supply should be greater than or equal to VS-I requirements. The electrical power supply should be able to provide 2.3 A at 24 V (dc) continuously, with a peak of 10 A for 100 ms, 6 A for 4 seconds.

Cable selection and sizing are very important to avoid power loss during driver operation. The power supply input at the driver’s input terminal must always provide the required nominal voltage for the driver.

The input power wire must comply with local code requirements and be of sufficient size such that the power supply voltage minus the IR loss in the two lead wires to the VariStroke driver does not drop below the driver input minimum voltage requirement.

The VS-I is not equipped with an input power disconnect. A means of disconnecting input power to the VS-I must be provided for safe installation and servicing.

The VS-I is not equipped with input power protection. A means of protecting input power to the VS-I must be provided. Breakers or fuses are intended to protect installation wiring and power sources from faults in the VS-I or wiring. A circuit breaker meeting the requirements from the table below, or a separate protection with the appropriate ratings, may be used for this purpose.

Table 3-2. Recommended Fuse Ratings or Circuit Breakers.

<table>
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<tr>
<th>Components</th>
<th>Input Voltage</th>
<th>Steady State Input Current</th>
<th>Maximum Transient Input Current</th>
<th>Maximum Power</th>
<th>Maximum Slow Blow Fuse / C.B. Rating</th>
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<tr>
<td>VS-I</td>
<td>(18 to 32) V (dc) 24 V (dc) nominal</td>
<td>3.1 A @ 18 V (dc)</td>
<td>10 A 340 W (100 ms)</td>
<td>20% above Steady State Current</td>
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Figure 3-8. Power Supply Input Connections

The VS-I is capable of connecting two redundant power supplies.

Table 3-3. Terminal Assignment for this Option Usage.

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<th>Power Supply #1</th>
<th>Power Input (+)</th>
<th>Power Input (-)</th>
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<td>Terminal # 38</td>
<td>Terminal # 37</td>
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<tr>
<td>Power Supply #2</td>
<td>Terminal # 36</td>
<td>Terminal # 35</td>
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WARNING: If redundancy option is not used, both (+) signals (Terminal #36 and Terminal #38) should be connected together on the terminal.
Although the VS-I is protected against input voltage transients, good wiring practices must be followed. The following drawings illustrate correct and incorrect wiring methods to the power supply.

**Power Wiring Requirements**
- Keep these inputs separated from low level signals to reduce signal noise
- Wire Gauge Requirements: 1.5…2.5 mm² / 12…16 AWG
- Maximum Wiring Distance: 30 m

**Unit Grounding**
Ground the unit housing using the designated PE ground connection point and EMC ground connection point (see installation drawings).

For the PE connection, use required type (typically green/yellow, 2.5 mm² / 12 AWG) as necessary to meet the installation safety ground requirements. For the EMC ground connection, use a short, low-impedance strap or cable (typically > 3 mm² / 12 AWG and < 46 cm / 18 inches in length). Torque the ground lugs to 5.1 N·m (3.8 lb-in).

**IMPORTANT**
In cases where the EMC ground configuration also meets installation safety ground requirements, no additional PE ground is required.
Wiring Strain Relief

Tie down points and ratcheting tie wraps are provided to secure the wiring to the top of the PCB cover. This helps prevent wire strain from being transmitted to the connection at the terminal block and to keep the wiring from chafing on the cover when tightening and under vibration. Failure to secure the wiring could result in intermittent connections resulting in alarm or shut down conditions.

![Figure 3-11. Recommended Wiring Strain Relief](image)

Shielded Wiring

Use shielded cable for all analog signals. Terminate shields as shown in the following sections. Avoid routing power supply and signal wires within the same conduit or near each other within the unit. When bundling the field wiring inside the unit, separate the unshielded power and discrete inputs/outputs from the shielded analog signals.

Shield Installation Notes

- Wires exposed beyond the shield should be as short as possible, not exceeding 50 mm (2 inches).
- Keep the shield termination wire (or drain wire) as short as possible, not exceeding 50 mm (2 inches), and where possible the diameter should be maximized.
- Installations with severe electromagnetic interference (EMI) may require additional shielding precautions. Contact Woodward for more information.
- Do not ground shield on both ends, except where permitted by the control-wiring diagram.

Failure to provide shielding can produce future conditions, which are difficult to diagnose. Proper shielding, at the time of installation is required to ensure satisfactory operation of the product.

**IMPORTANT**

Strip wires away from the PCBA chamber to avoid the possibility of conductive strands contacting the PCBA.
Demand Analog Inputs
There are two demand analog inputs to the VS-I. Demand Input #1 is dedicated to the demand input. For application where reliability is critical, the Demand Input #2 can be configured for a redundant demand input.

Calibrated Accuracy: 0.1% of full range
Input Range: (0 to 25) mA, the recommended maximum range is (2 to 22) mA
Maximum Temperature Drift: 200 ppm/°C
Input Impedance: 200 Ω ±10%
Common Mode Voltage Range: ±50 V(dc)
Common Mode Rejection Ratio: 70 db @ 50 Hz & 60 Hz
Isolation: 400 kΩ from each terminal to circuit common, 500 V(ac) to chassis ground

Analog Input Wiring Requirements:
- Individually shielded twisted pair cable
- Keep this and all other low level signal cables separated from input power cables to avoid unnecessary coupling (noise) between them.
- Wire Gauge Range: (0.14 to 1.5) mm² / (16 to 24) AWG
- Shielding: per drawing above
Cylinder Position Feedback Analog Inputs (Remote Servo Only)

There are two Final Cylinder Position Feedback analog inputs. Refer to the service tool chapter for information on configuring these inputs.

![Diagram of VS-I Cylinder Position Feedback Analog Inputs]

**VS-I Cylinder Position Feedback Analog Inputs**

- FEEDBACK INPUT #2
  - Feedback 2+
  - Feedback 2-
  - Current limiter
  - ADC Converter and CPU

- FEEDBACK INPUT #1
  - Feedback 1+
  - Feedback 1-
  - Current limiter

-DGND

**Input Range:** (0 to 25) mA, the recommended maximum range is (2 to 22) mA
**Current Limit:** 30 mA @ 25 °C
**Calibrated Accuracy:** 0.1% of full range @ 25 °C
**Maximum Temperature Drift:** 200 ppm/°C
**Input Impedance:** 235 Ω ±25 Ω
**Loop power:** +15 V ±0.5 V over temperature range
**Max output current:** 200 mA total (100 mA per sensor)
**Common Mode Voltage Range:** ±50 V(dc)
**Common Mode Rejection Ratio:** 70 dB @ 50 Hz & 60 Hz
**Isolation:** 500 V(ac) to chassis ground

**WARNING** Overloading +15 V power output will result in unit reset and shut down.

The following drawings illustrate correct and incorrect wiring methods to the Cylinder Position Feedback Analog Inputs.

![Diagram illustrating correct and incorrect wiring methods]

**Figure 3-14. Cylinder Position Sensor Wiring Diagram When Using Vs-1 Internal Power**
Figure 3-15. Cylinder Position Sensor Wiring Diagram When Using External Power Supply

Figure 3-16. Example of Incorrect Cylinder Position Sensor Connection When Using External Power Supply

**WARNING**

When using external power supply, do NOT connect it to VS-I driver power outputs on the Position Feedback terminals. This may result in permanent damage to the VS-I driver.

Figure 3-17. Cylinder Position Connectors

Figure 3-18. Cylinder Position Sensor Connection Scheme with MTS Sensor
Cylinder Position Feedback Analog Input Wiring Requirements:
- Individually shielded twisted pair cable
- Keep this and all other low level signal cables separated from input power cables to avoid unnecessary coupling (noise) between them.
- Wire Gauge Range: (0.14 to 1.5) mm² / (16 to 24) AWG
- Shielding: per drawing above
- Cable length: less than 3 m (10 feet)

**Analog Output**
The analog output of the VS-I is in the form of a (4 to 20) mA output and can drive load resistance from 0 up to 500 Ω. This output can be configured. Refer to the service tool chapter for configuration information. The design of this output is for monitoring and diagnostic purposes only, and not intended for any type of closed loop feedback.

![Analog Output Connection Diagram](image)

Calibrated Accuracy: ±0.5 % of full range, (0 to 25) mA
Output Range: (2 to 22) mA
Load Range: 0 Ω up to 500 Ω (for output up to 25 mA)
Maximum Temperature Drift: 300 ppm/°C
Isolation: 500 V (ac) from circuit common, and chassis

Analog Output Wiring Requirements:
- Individually shielded twisted pair cable
- Keep this and all other low level signal cables separated from input power cables to avoid unnecessary coupling (noise) between them.
- Wire Gauge Range: (0.14 to 1.5) mm² / (16 to 24) AWG
- Shielding: per drawing above
Discrete Inputs

The VS-I has four discrete inputs. External power is not necessary for these inputs as the isolation is provided internally. The discrete inputs have an internal pull-up resistor and are inverted at the processor, such that an open circuit is the passive low state. The high state is achieved when the input is pulled low by an external contact to the isolated ground terminal provided. There are four inputs and one ground terminal (DI GND) provided, so it is necessary to share the one ground if more than one input is used.

Contact Types: The inputs will accept either a dry contact from each terminal to ground or an open drain / collector switch to ground. Approximately 3 mA is sourced from the input for dry contact operation.

Trip Points:
- If the input voltage is less than 3 V, the input will detect a high state.
- If the input voltage is greater than 7 V, the input will detect low state.
- The hysteresis between the low trip point and the high trip point will be greater than 1 V.

Isolation: 500 V (ac) from Digital Common and chassis.
Wiring Requirements

- Keep this and all other low level signal cables separated from input power cables to avoid unnecessary coupling (noise) between them.
- Wire Gauge Range: (0.14 to 1.5) mm² / (16 to 24) AWG
- Shielding: these inputs are unshielded; however, keep the wires in a twisted configuration for noise immunity.

Discrete Outputs

There are four Discrete Outputs on VS-I. Configuration of the outputs is normally open / normally closed. Refer to the service tool chapter for configuration information. Wire the outputs to switch load from positive supply or switch load to ground. Woodward recommends that the output be used as a high side driver as shown in the diagram below. This configuration makes some common wiring faults to ground more detectable in the user system. The user must supply the external 24 V supply for the output to function properly.

- **External 24V Supply**

  - Load Must be < 0.5 A

  - CONFIGURABLE 2

  - DGND

  - CONFIGURABLE 1

  - DGND

  - SHUTDOWN

  - DGND

  - ALARM

  - DGND

  - CPU

  - **VS-I Discrete Outputs**

![Discrete Output Connections](image)

Figure 3-21. Discrete Output Connections

Hardware Configuration Options: You may configure the outputs as high-side or low-side drivers, but the recommended configuration is high-side driver if possible.

- External Power Supply Voltage Range: 18-32 V
- Maximum Load Current: 500 mA
- Protection:
  - The outputs are short circuit protected
  - The outputs are recoverable after short circuit is removed
Manual 26727

VariStroke-I (VS-I) Electro-hydraulic Actuator

Response Time: Less than 2 ms
On-state Saturation Voltage: Less than 1 V @ 500 mA
Off-state Leakage Current: Less than 10 μA @ 32 V
Isolation: 500 V (ac) from digital ground and chassis

Wiring Requirements:
- Keep this and all other low level signal cables separated from input power cables to avoid unnecessary coupling (noise) between them.
- Wire Gauge Range: (0.25 to 1.5) mm² / (16 to 22) AWG
- Shielding: these outputs are unshielded, however the wires should be kept in a twisted configuration for noise immunity.

CAN Communication

**NOTICE**
CAN communication is not yet available in current VS-I models.

The VS-I has (2) CAN ports.

![Figure 3-22. CAN Ports Connections](image)

CAN Specification:
- Interface Standard: CAN 2.0 A/B (configured in the CPU)
- Network Connections: (2) separate connectors
- Network Isolation: 500 V (ac) to chassis, input power, I/O channels, between CAN ports
- Network Termination: (121 ±10) Ω built into each port of VS-I
- Cable / Part Number: 2008-1512 (120 Ω, 3-wire, shielded twisted pair)—Belden YR58684 or similar
CAN Cable Shield Termination & Exposed Cable Limitations

For robust communications performance, the CAN cabling needs to minimize the exposed, non-shielded cable section that occurs at terminal blocks. The exposed length of CAN wiring must be limited to less than 3.8 cm (1.5 inches) from the end of the shield to the terminal block. This limits the total length of exposed wiring during a series or daisy chain connection on each side of the terminal block to 7.6 cm (3 inches).

CAN shields are terminated to chassis (EARTH) through a capacitor-resistor network. However, the shield must also be directly terminated to chassis (Earth) at one point in the network.

IMPORTANT: Always use shielded cables for improved communications in industrial environments. Wire terminations at the node should expose as little un-shielded cable as possible (less than 25 to 38 mm / 1.0 to 1.5 inches).

Wiring

The VS-I has four NPT wiring entries: two ¾ inch (19.05 mm), two ½ inch (12.7 mm).

When wiring using cable and cable glands, the gland fitting must meet the same hazardous locations criteria as the VS-I. Follow all installation recommendations and special conditions for safe use that are supplied with the cable gland. The cable insulation must have a temperature rating of at least 85 °C and 10 °C above the maximum ambient and fluid temperature.

Strip the cable insulation (not the wire insulation) to expose 12 mm (1/2 inch) of the conductors. Strip the wire insulation 5 mm from each conductor. Mark wires according to their designation and install connectors, if required.

Remove the top access cover. Pass the wires through the cable gland (not provided) or conduit fitting and attach to the printed circuit board terminal blocks in accordance with their wiring diagram. Snap the terminal blocks into the header terminal blocks on the PCB. Tighten the terminal block flange screws to 0.5 N·m (4.4 lb-in). Replace the top access cover and tighten until the O-ring seal is compressed and the cover is fully seated against the housing.

Install the PE ground and EMC ground straps to the lugs provided. Tighten to 5.1 N·m (45 lb-in).

Tighten the cable gland fitting per manufacturer's instructions or pour the conduit seal to provide strain relief for the cable and to seal the interface between the wiring cable and the VS-I.
Chapter 4.
Service Tool Installation

System Requirements

The minimum system requirements for the Service Tool software are:

- Microsoft Windows® 7, Vista SP1 or later, XP SP3 (32 & 64-bit); Support of XP ended on 2014 April 8
- Microsoft .NET Framework ver. 4.0 & Hot Fix KB2592573
- 1 GHz Pentium® CPU
- 512 MB of RAM
- Minimum of 800 by 600 pixel screen with 256 colors
- Recommended screen resolution of 1024 X768 or higher
- 9 pin-D Serial Port (RS232)
- Woodward ToolKit Software

Setup

The VS-I includes a software-based Programming and Configuration tool (PCT) that can be loaded onto a computer and used to:

- Change maximum stop position and cylinder size settings.
- Calibrate the final cylinder.
- Configure the inputs and outputs
- View diagnostic flags

An unsafe condition could occur with improper use of these software tools. Only trained personnel should have access to these tools.

The PC Service Tool or Programming and Configuration Tool is a software application which runs on Windows-based PC or laptop. It requires a physical RS-232 connection between the computer and the VS-I. Make the physical connection by connecting to the VS-I at the Service Port (RS-232).

Use a straight-through serial cable (not null modem). For newer PCs or laptops with USB ports, a USB-to-serial converter is required. Obtain an approved converter from Woodward by ordering P/N 8928-1151.
Woodward offers a serial cable as a kit that can be ordered. The part number for this kit is 8928-7323, which contains a 10-foot long (3 m) DB9-F to DB9-M straight-through cable. Note that this cable has two nuts on the screws on the female end that need to be removed prior installing this end.

![Diagram of service port connections](image.png)

**Figure 4-1. Service Port Connections**

**WARNING**

Do not to damage the cover seal, the cover surface, the threads, or the VS-I surface while removing or replacing the cover. Damage to sealing surfaces may result in moisture ingress, fire, or explosion. Clean the surface with rubbing alcohol if necessary. Inspect the cover joint surfaces to ensure that they are not damaged or contaminated.

**Installing the VariStroke-I Service Tool**

Use the following installation procedure to install the VariStroke-I Service Tool (Programming and Configuration Tool).

Locate/obtain VS-I Service Tool Installation CD provided with each VS-I. (Alternatively, you may download the VS-I Service Tool Installation file from Woodward’s website [www.woodward.com/software]).
To run the installation program follow the installation instructions (shown below).

1. Double click on the install file 9927-2177.xxx.exe.
   **Note:** xxx is a placeholder for the revision of the install package i.e. 9927-2177_NEW.exe or 9927-2177_A.exe are examples of Rev NEW and Rev A versions.
2. The Tool launches and the Welcome screen is displayed. Click on “Next”.

   ![Figure 4-2. Service Tool Welcome Screen](image)

3. The EULA screen appears. Accept the terms of the License Agreement then click “Next” to continue.

   ![Figure 4-3. End-User License Agreement Screen](image)
4. The Install page appears. “Create shortcut for this program on the desktop” is set as the default. Uncheck this box if you do not want a Service Tool icon on your desktop. Click on “Install”.

![Service Tool Installation Screen](image1)

**Figure 4-4. Service Tool Installation Screen**

5. The Installation of the Service tool will proceed.

![Service Tool Installation Progress Screen](image2)

**Figure 4-5. Service Tool Installation Progress Screen**

6. When the installation is finished, the Installation Complete screen will appear. The “Launch when setup exits” box in the lower left is unchecked by default. You do not want to launch the Service tool until the VS-I has been connected to the computer through a serial cable. At launch the Service tool detects which COM port is connected to the VS-I.
If you launch the service tool application before you connect the serial cable between the computer and the VS-I the service tool will not detect the new serial connection. To detect the connection you will have to exit and re-launch the service tool.

7. When you click on “Finish”, you will exit the installation wizard.

Figure 4-6. Installation Complete and Finish Screen
Connecting to the VariStroke-I

1. To connect to the VariStroke-I (VS-I) connect a serial cable between the computer and the VS-I driver then double-click on the service tool icon on the desktop. The service tool will launch and the next screen you will see will be the Home Screen of the VS-I service Tool.

![Figure 4-7. VS 1 Service Tool Home Screen](image)

2. Press the “Connect” button in the ribbon at the top of the service tool screen. You will see the following screen.

3. Select the network connection to which the serial cable is connected. Select your available network and then set “Baud Rate” to “AutoDetection”. Press the “Connect” button.

4. The Service Tool will connect to the VS-I within a few seconds. When it does the “Connect” button in the ribbon is grayed-out and the “Disconnect” button is activated. The Service tool is now connected and communicating with the VS-I and you can calibrate, configure, and control the VS-I through the service tool.

5. When you want to end your session and disconnect the Service Tool from the VS-I press the “Disconnect” button. The Service tool will cease communication with the VS-I, the “Disconnect” button will be grayed-out and the “Connect” button will be activated. The service tool is now ready to communicate with the VS-I the next time you press the “Connect” button.
Chapter 5.
Calibration and Monitoring

Introduction

The VS-I Service Tool is organized in to a series of pages that allow the VS-I to be set up for proper operation. The following section will outline the various pages and their functions.

The engine, turbine, or other type of prime mover should be equipped with an overspeed shutdown system to protect against runaway or damage to the prime mover with possible personal injury, loss of life, or property damage.

The overspeed shutdown system must be totally independent of the prime mover control system. An overtemperature or overpressure shutdown system may also be needed for safety, as appropriate.

An unsafe condition could occur with improper use of these software tools. Only trained personnel should have access to these tools.

System Information

System Information is displayed along the left hand side of the Service Tool screens. This provides general information about the product status.

Figure 5-1. System Information and Status Overview Screen
Shutdown LED: When this LED indicator is illuminated, this invokes a shutdown condition. The unit receives a command to shut down or has detected an operating condition, which adversely affects the unit’s ability to operate reliably and predictably. Refer to Chapter 7 for a list of shutdown conditions.

Alarm LED: When this LED indicator is illuminated, the unit has detected an operating condition, which is outside of recommended operating parameters, but the VS-I is still operating. The cause of alarm conditions should be determined and corrected to prevent damage to the turbine, VS-I, or other auxiliary equipment. Refer to Chapter 7 for a list of Alarm conditions.

Operating Mode: Shows the status of the driver. Possible states are:

STARTUP - Initialization is in progress

SPRING_CHK - Initialization of the system is currently testing the spring.

ANALOG_DMD - Normal operating mode when the cylinder position is selected by the analog input demand signals(s). There is an option of one or two demand signals on the Input configuration page.

SHUTDOWN - This “smart” button only appears when the VS-I is running and can be shut down. This state may have occurred because the analog inputs are not in the 4–20 mA range, or the Run Enable discrete input is selected and not on, or the Shutdown button has been pressed. After checking that the analog demands and the Run Enable are OK, refer to Chapter 7 for a list of Shut down conditions if the problem persists.

CONFIGURATION - The system is ready to receive the configuration or calibration information. When this process is completed and saved, turn on the input signals to re-enable normal operation.

CSD_FETS - This means the system is shut down due to a critical error. Please check your input power and connections and then reset the system. If the problem persists, service may be required.

CSD_CURR - The system is shut down due to a critical error. Please reset the system. If the problem persists, service may be required.

CSD_SERVO - The system is shut down due to a critical error. Please check the connections to the final cylinder feedback and then reset the system. If the problem persists, service may be required.

Demand and Feedback: The Demand and Feedback indicators show the current demanded position and measured feedback position of the final cylinder.

Shutdown Button: Pressing this button will invoke a shutdown condition.

Navigation Buttons: Pressing these buttons will navigate you to the most commonly used pages of the VS-I Service Tool. You may access pages by using the dropdown menu at the top of the Toolkit Window.
System Information Page

This page will display system information about the VS-I servo that is currently connected to the PC Service Tool.

Figure 5-2. System Information Page

**Actuator P/N, S/N, Revision**: These fields display the Actuator Assembly Part Number (P/N), Serial Number (S/N), and Revision Number. This information is entered automatically by the VS-I software.

**Driver P/N, S/N, Revision**: These fields display the Electronic Driver Part Number (B_P/N), Serial Number (B_S/N), and Revision Number. This information is entered automatically by the VS-I software.

**Servo P/N S/N, Revision**: These fields display the Servo Valve Part Number (S_P/N), Serial Number (S_S/N), and Revision Number. This information is entered automatically by the VS-I software.

**Firmware Revision**: This field displays the firmware part number and revision to the software programmed into the VS-I driver. This information is entered automatically by the VS-I software.

**Demand & Feedback Bar Charts**: These bar charts display the current demanded position and measured feedback position of the final cylinder.

**Trending Plot / Graph**: This graph will display the current demanded position and the measured feedback position of the final cylinder with respect to time. Press the “Start” button in the upper left hand corner of the graph to see the current cylinder position on the chart.
Configuration and Calibration

**WARNING** To prevent personal injury or death and damage to equipment, the controlled prime mover must not be allowed to run or operate during any of the following procedures. The main steam valve or main fuel control must be turned off to prevent operation of the controlled system.

The Configuration and Calibration page can be used to set the VS-I operating pressure to the desired value and to start the calibration process.

**NOTICE** To enable the Configuration and Calibration functions of the VS-I you must set the RUN ENABLE line low and/or put your analog input demand(s) below 2 mA (suggest 0 mA).

![Configuration/Calibration Page](image)

**Actuator Shutdown Direction**
**Fail Retracted / Fail Extended**: This indicates the fail-safe direction of the actuator. Any shut down or loss of input power will result in the actuator moving in the fail-safe direction.

**System Initialization**
**Spring Check**: Upon startup and reset commands, the VS-I performs a brief test to ensure that the servo valve return spring is functioning properly. This is performed before moving the actuator away from the fail-safe position and will not move the actuator. This critical safety function cannot be disabled by anyone other than authorized Woodward personnel.

**Currently Calibrated Limits**
**0% Demand**: This value is the minimum travel of the cylinder stroke. Calibration is done at the factory but can be changed as part of the calibration process (Step 2).

**100% Demand**: This value is the maximum travel of the cylinder stroke. Calibration is done at the factory but can be changed as part of the calibration process (Step 2).
Current Cylinder Configuration

Cylinder Length / Diameter: Displays the currently calibrated dimensions of the cylinder. These values display for reference only. Modify these values by pressing the Remote Cylinder Setup button.

Remote Cylinder Setup

NOTICE
If the VariStroke unit came from the factory as an Integrated unit with a cylinder attached, these values should NOT be changed.

This screen is used ONLY when the user must modify the cylinder and position sensor parameters. This is commonly used when setting up a VariStroke Servo Only with a cylinder that was not manufactured by Woodward.

Cylinder Length: This value must equal the physical stroke range of the hydraulic cylinder. This dimension is used by the VariStroke controller to automatically tune the actuator.

Cylinder Diameter: This value must equal the bore diameter of the hydraulic cylinder. This dimension is used by the VariStroke controller to automatically tune the actuator.

Position Sensor Length: Use this value to scale 0 to 100% positions of the VariStroke in to millimeters. This must equal the full length of the cylinder position sensor. Position Sensor Length is defined as the distance measured between the 4 mA position and 20 mA position of the sensor. It is recommended that the Position Sensor Length be slightly longer than the Cylinder Length in order to ensure the sensor output is always within the usable (4–20 mA) range. For a list of standard / Woodward position sensor lengths used in Integrated and Remote Servo Kits, refer to the table shown in Chapter 7: Repair and Troubleshooting.

Reverse Acting: The user by use this field if he wishes to invert the cylinder behavior based on the input demand. If the field is set to “Yes”, the minimum input demand (4 mA) will result in cylinder moving to the 100% position.

Cylinder Configuration

Before starting the configuration, the unit must be in a safe and shut-down state. The unit can be shut down by putting 0 mA onto the analog inputs or by opening the “run enable” discrete input (note: the “Run Enable” must be set to “used”). The unit must also not have any active faults, such as a Cylinder Tracking Fault. If there are active faults that prevent the unit from being in configuration mode, the faults should be analyzed and disabled (see Chapter 7: Repair and Troubleshooting).

Step 1—Stability Settings
Use the cylinder configuration section to input the hydraulic supply pressure.

Supply Pressure:
To set the Supply pressure (Step 1):
1. Input the hydraulic supply pressure (bar) into the Supply Pressure control indicator and press the Apply button. Based on this pressure, the VS-I driver will automatically tune itself to provide optimum performance.
2. For confirmation, two additional control buttons will appear, “Cancel/Revert Configuration” and “Save Configuration”. Press the “Save Configuration” button to save the new cylinder pressure value. Press “Cancel/Revert Configuration” to revert back to the previous saved cylinder supply pressure.
3. After pressing the “Save Configuration” button the data will be transferred to the VS-I.
Failure to input the correct Supply Pressure can result in unstable actuator performance. Ensure that this setting is correct and that the system pressure regulators do not allow more than a ±10% variation in Supply Pressure.

Stability: Certain combinations of Supply Pressure and Cylinder Volume can cause the actuator to operate at reduced performance. See Chapter 2: Performance Index for more information on this Alarm.

Slew rates:
- **Manual Slew Rate**: This adjustment allows the user to limit the slew rate when in Manual Operation. Consider lowering this value if the attached linkage and valve are not robust.
- **Operational Slew Limit**: This adjustment allows the user to limit the slew rate when in Normal Operation. Consider lowering this value if the linkage and valve attached are not robust. Also, consider using the Soft Seating to lower valve seating velocities.

The Soft Seating feature will not function in some shut down conditions. Loss of cylinder position feedback, loss of electrical power, or an internal electronics fault will result in loss of the Soft Seating functionality.

Soft seating: The VS-I Soft Seating function allows the actuator to have a different slew rate limit when positioned within the lower 0% to 25% of the user-calibrated stroke. This feature provides a behavior similar to that of a conventional hydraulic cushion. You may use this function to limit the steam valve seating velocity in order to lengthen the life of the valve.
- **Slow Zone Edge**: This adjustment sets the position at which the actuator slew rate limit will switch from the Operation Slew Rate Limit to the Slow Zone Velocity.
- **Slow Zone Velocity**: This adjustment sets the slew rate limit of the actuator when position below the Slow Zone Edge value. Consider lowering this value if valve-seating velocities are higher than desired.

Incorrect Slew Rate Limits and Soft Seating adjustments can result in high seating velocities that may damage equipment.

Configuration of the Slow Zone settings and Slew Rate Limits can result in excessively slow closing speeds.

The engine, turbine, or other type of prime mover should be equipped with an overspeed shut down device to protect against runaway or damage to the prime mover with possible personal injury, loss of life, or property damage.

**Step 2—Calibration**

To calibrate, start by pressing the Calibrate button (Step 2). Upon pressing the Calibrate button, there are two options available on the left side of the page: “Find Minimum Stop” and “Find Minimum AND Maximum Stop” (see screens and details below). Select one of these options and run before any further configuration can take place.
The Calibration features will cause the actuator to move. Ensure all personnel are clear of moving components before initiating the calibration sequence.

Potential damage to linkage and/or attachments can occur if the linkage and/or attachments are not designed to withstand the full stall force of the actuator at the supplied operating pressure. It is the installer’s responsibility to verify the structural capabilities of the linkage and/or attachments. IF the linkage and/or attachments CANNOT WITHSTAND THE FULL STALL FORCE of the actuator DO NOT USE FIND MINIMUM AND MAXIMUM STOPS. Instead, Find Minimum Stop must be used.

Find Minimum Stop

CLEAR ALL SHUTDOWNs in order to proceed with calibration. These shutdowns display on the “Alarms/Shutdowns” page of the PC Service Tool. It may be necessary to temporarily disable certain shut downs to complete the calibration.

If the cylinder is not at the factory/default 0% position after initial installation, a “Cylinder Tracking Fault” will commonly be an active shut down. This shut down should be disabled or toggled to an alarm until calibration is complete.
To use the Find Minimum Stop option, press the “Find Minimum Stop” button. The Find Minimum Stop feature allows the user to scale the desired minimum position offset and maximum stop position to the 4 to 20 mA demand input range. After pressing the Find Minimum Stop button, the following screen will appear.

![Find Minimum Stop Screen](image)

**Figure 5-5. Calibration Find Minimum Stop Screen**

Press the “Find Minimum Stop” button. Pressing this button will slightly open the VS-I servo valve, causing the actuator to slowly move toward the minimum/fail-safe position. Once a physical stop is contacted, the servo valve will close and the VS-I will automatically configure this as the minimum (4 mA demand) position.

View and monitor actuator movement using the trend chart. To do so, press “Start” at the top left corner of the trend chart.

**Cancel Button:** Pressing the Cancel button will cause the Find Minimum Stop process to stop and the service tool to return to the Calibration page.

### Find Minimum AND Maximum Stops

**IMPORTANT**

ALL SHUTDOWNS must be cleared in order to proceed with calibration. These can be seen on the “Alarms/Shutdowns” page of the PC Service Tool. It may be necessary to temporarily disable certain shut downs to complete the calibration.

If the cylinder is not at the factory/default 0% position after initial installation, a “Cylinder Tracking Fault” will commonly be an active shut down. This shut down should be disabled or toggled to an alarm until calibration is complete.

The Find Minimum and Maximum Stops feature will determine the usable stroke range by moving the VariStroke to the minimum and maximum limits of travel at a controlled velocity. The control will slightly open the VS-I servo valve, causing the actuator to slowly move toward the minimum/fail-safe position. Once a physical stop is contacted, the servo valve will close and the VS-I will automatically configure this as the minimum (4 mA demand) position.
Immediately after this, the VS-I servo valve will slightly open in the opposite direction to slowly move the actuator toward the maximum position. The actuator will move a small distance off the minimum stop, pause for a brief moment to determine an acceptable slew rate, and then continue to move toward the maximum position. Once a physical stop is contacted, the servo valve will close and the VS-I will automatically configure this as the maximum (20 mA demand) position. These limits of travel are automatically scaled to 4 mA (minimum) to 20 mA (maximum) demand levels.

Press the “Find Minimum AND Maximum Stops” button. A confirmation screen will appear with two buttons “Find Minimum AND Maximum Stops” and Cancel. Once the “Find Minimum AND Maximum Stops” button has been pressed the calibration cycle will start and the following screen will appear. To cancel the Find Minimum AND Maximum Stops sequence and return to the previous screen press “Cancel”.

Actuator movement can be monitored and viewed using the trend chart. To do so, press “Start” at the top left corner of the trend chart.

![Figure 5-6. Calibration in Progress Screen](image)
If one of the calibration routines has already been run, or the user wishes to adjust these values based on the factory calibration, the “Adjust Minimum Offset and Maximum Position” button may be pressed. This will skip the automatic calibration process.

After either calibration routine is run, the service tool will return to the Calibration page where setting the desired “Offset at Minimum Position” and “Maximum Stop Position” is now allowed. The Maximum Stop Position minus the Offset at Minimum Position must not be less than 40% of the Factory Maximum stop position shown on at the bottom of this page, or an Illegal Stroke Percent Error will appear.

After changing the “Offset at Minimum Position” and “Maximum Stop Position”, press the Apply button.

During this process, the “Position Request” on the right side of the page can be used to manually position the actuator during this process. The “Manual Slew Rate” is also shown, but is for reference only. “Manual Slew Rate” can be changed on the Config/Calibrate page, before entering the Calibration mode.

If calibration was performed with linkage attached, a small negative number can be input into the “Offset at Minimum Position” field to provide additional valve seating force. It is the installer’s responsibility to verify the structural capabilities of the linkage and/or attachments.

Saving the Calibration Settings
To save the new “Offset at Minimum Position” and “Maximum Stop Position” settings, press the “Save Calibration” button.

Press the “Cancel/Revert Calibration” button to discard the changed values and to exit the calibration.
To prevent personal injury or death and damage to equipment, the controlled prime mover must not be allowed to run or operate during any of the following procedures. The main steam valve or main fuel control must be turned off to prevent operation of the controlled system.

To enable manual operation the RUN ENABLE line must be low and/or the analog input demands must be at less than 2 mA (0 mA recommended). The VS-I can be put into manual mode by pressing the Manual Operation button. The VS-I can be returned to normal operation by pressing the Exit button, by enabling Run Enable, or by supplying an analog input demand level.

When the VS-I is in manual mode, you can enter a desired position. The VS-I will move the final cylinder to that position at a rate given on the Configuration page. If the VS-I is in normal operation, this page can be used just to track that operation.

Press the “Start” button in the upper left hand corner of the graph to view trending data.

**Manual Operation Page**

Once the Manual Operation button is pressed, the following screen displays below the trend chart. Monitor and view actuator movement using this trend chart. To do so, press “Start” at the top left corner of the trend chart. To change the cylinder position, change the Position Request value (see below).

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![Manual Operation Screen](image-url)

**Figure 5-8. Manual Operation Screen**
Chapter 6.
Configuration

Input Configuration

Figure 6-1. Input Configuration Screen

The analog input settings including scaling and diagnostics levels are displayed from this screen. The values of the current operational and diagnostic settings are also displayed.

**Analog Demand Inputs 1&2**

**Current Reading:** Displays the current value of the analog input signal in mA and percent of full stroke for the analog input channels 1 and 2.

**Analog Input Scaling**

**Minimum Analog Demand In:** Indicates the minimum input demand current (4 mA default) that is used to position the actuator to 0%. Note only after VS-I shut down may values be saved.

**Maximum Analog Demand In:** Indicates the maximum input demand current (20 mA default) that is used to position the actuator to 100%.

**Fault Detection Thresholds, High/Low Limit:** Displays the fault detection limits of the analog demand signals. Any demand signal below the Low Limit or above the High Limit will trigger an alarm.

**Demand Input Configuration**

**Input Mode:** Allows selection of Single Channel 1, Single Channel 2, Dual Averaging, Dual Low Signal Select, and Dual High Signal Select. If a Dual mode is selected, but only 1 signal is supplied, the actuator will operate while outputting an alarm for the other signal.
Demand Inputs

Demand Input 1 / 2: Displays the value (in percent position) of the individual demand signals.

Demand: Displays the value (in percent position) of the demand signals after they have been averaged, low signal selected, or high signal selected.

Dual Input Configuration: These fields will only be displayed when the Input Mode is set to one of the Dual options.

Spread Alarm Limit: Indicates the difference allowed between Demand Input 1 and Demand Input 2 before the Demand Spread Warning flag is set. The action of this flag can be configured on the Alarms/Shutdowns page (by pressing the Configure Alarms and Shutdowns button).

Actual Spread: The difference in percent between the dual inputs.

Spread Fault Mode: This field determines which of the two demand inputs is used after the Actual Spread exceeds the Spread Alarm Limit. It can be set to Low Signal Select, High Signal Select, or Average.

Demand Spread Warning: When lit, this light indicates that the Input Spread Alarm Limit (the difference between demand signals) has exceeded the configured value.

Position Feedback Configuration

Input Mode: Allows selection of Single Channel 1, Single Channel 2, or Dual Averaging. If Dual Averaging is selected, but only one signal is supplied, the actuator will operate while outputting and alarm for the other signal.

Feedbacks

Position Feedback (1 and 2): Shows the current position of the cylinder in percent.

Feedback: This indicator shows the value that is being used for control based on the Input Mode selection.

Dual Feedback Configuration: These fields will only be displayed when the Input Mode is set to one of the Dual options.

Spread Alarm Limit: Indicates the difference allowed between Position Feedback 1 and Position Feedback 2 before the feedback spread warning flag is set. The action of this flag can be configured on the Alarms/Shutdowns page (by pressing the Configure Alarms and Shutdowns button).

Feedback Spread Warning: When lit, this light indicates that the Feedback Spread Alarm Limit (the difference between the cylinder feedback signals) has exceeded the configured value.

Run Enable

**WARNING**

If the Run Enable is toggled to USED while the circuit is open, the actuator will immediately shut down.

Run Enable: This input either enables or disables the Run Enable functionality. If Used is selected, and the Run Enable circuit is opened, then the system will ignore the analog demand input signals and shut down. This allows internal setup and calibration without turning off or disconnecting the demand(s). If the Run Enable is set to Used, the Run Enable circuit must be closed before resuming normal operation.

If the Run Enable is set to Not Used, the actuator will ignore the Run Enable circuit.
Reset
The VariStroke has a dedicated, discrete input for resetting the driver. The actuator will clear all alarms and shut downs when this circuit is closed. The actuator will then resume operation as long as valid demand signals are present and there are no active shut downs.

**IMPORTANT** The actuator driver can also be reset by power cycling, pressing the reset button on the Alarms/Shutdowns page of the Service Tool, or by stepping the Analog Demand Inputs from 0 to 4 mA.

Output Configuration

**Output Configuration Page**

![Output Configuration Screen](image)

**Alarm / Shutdown Discrete Outputs**

**Alarm / Shutdown Indication:** Any flag marked as an alarm will cause the discrete output relay to energize.

**Alarm / Shutdown Results In:** Sets the state at which the discrete output relay will be when energized.

**Alarm / Shutdown Relay Energized:** Indicates the current state of the discrete output.

**Configurable 1 / 2 Discrete Outputs**

**Energize Results In:** Sets the state at which the discrete output relay will be when energized.

**Current Status:** Indicates the current state of the discrete output relay.
Mode: Configures the discrete output mode to one of the following options.

- **Unused/Manual**: Sets the discrete output to unused. This mode can also be used to manually toggle the output by switching the “Energize Results” In configuration.

- **Alarm Indication**: Sets the discrete output to energize when any alarm is active.

- **Shutdown Indication**: Sets the discrete output to energize when any shut down is active.

- **Alarm and/or Shutdown Indication**: Sets the discrete output to energize when any alarm and/or shut down is active.

- **Internal Fault Indication**: Sets the discrete output to energize when the Internal Fault alarm is active.

- **Cylinder Position Low Indication**: Sets the discrete output to energize whenever the cylinder is below the configured “Energize Position”. The output will de-energize once the cylinder is above the configured “De-Energize” position. Note: these configurable fields will only be displayed when the Mode is set to “Cylinder Position Low Indication”.

- **Cylinder Position High Indication**: Sets the discrete output to energize whenever the cylinder is above the configured “Energize Position”. The output will de-energize once the cylinder is below the configured “De-Energize” position. Note: these configurable fields will only be displayed when the Mode is set to “Cylinder Position High Indication”.

**Analog Output**

**Analog Output Function**: This function is used to select what functionality drives the actuator.

- **No Output**: No output will be sourced.

- **Input Demand**: The Analog Output will equal the Demand Input.

- **Actual Position**: The Analog Output will equal the Feedback Position based on the configurable Analog Output Scaling.

**Current Reading**: Analog Output reading in mA.

**Analog Output Scaling**: These settings are only visible when the analog output Function is set to “Actual Position”.

- **Maximum Position**: Sets the position at which the analog output will equal the value set in the Maximum mA Output field.

- **Minimum Position**: Sets the position at which the analog output will equal the value set in the Minimum mA Output field.
Advanced Configuration

Advanced Configuration Page

Figure 6-3. Advanced Configuration Screen

**Bandwidth**: Adjusts how fast the actuator will respond to a demand input change. The higher the setting adjusted, the faster the actuator will respond, but the more sensitive it will be to electrical noise on the demand signal.

**Dither**: Typically used if the actuator is connected to a pilot valve to overcome sticky pilot valve action. The higher the setting, the higher the output shaft is oscillating amplitude.

*IMPORTANT* It is recommended that the Dither function NOT be used unless it is deemed absolutely necessary. Excessive dither will result in accelerated wear.

**Silt Buster**: The Silt Buster routine can be used to flush out any trapped silt/dirt on a daily, weekly, or monthly basis. This setting is typically used in applications where the actuator may be held in one position for long periods, allowing silt/dirt to become trapped within the servo valve.
Linearization

This table is used to linearize steam flow to actuator position. It can only be modified when the actuator is shut down.

Figure 6-4. Linearization Screen

Enabled / Disabled: Enables or Disables the demand curve (linearization) functionality.

Linearization Table Order Incorrect: This Alarm will activate if the Analog Position values are not set in numerically increasing order (from top to bottom)

Analog Position (%): These are analog demand positions that will be converted to the Scaled Analog Position when the Linearization Curve is enabled.

Scaled Analog Position (%): These are the cylinder output positions (steam valve position) that will result when the demand is equal to the values put in to the Analog Position column.

Alarms/Shutdown

Alarms/Shutdown Page

This page displays the diagnostic information on the most typical Alarms and Shutdowns. These diagnostics as well as more advanced diagnostics are shown on the "System Status" page. Some of the Alarms and shut downs are configurable.

Logged errors contained in non-volatile memory until you reset the log.

Illuminated Alarm/Shutdown LEDs show the active state. You can reset the error system to clear the current flags, but any that are still active will remain set.

Chapter 7: Troubleshooting describes these errors and their remedies.
Figure 6-5. Alarms and Shutdowns Screen

Diagnostic Values:

**Supply Voltage**: Indicates the supply voltage value.

**Internal Actuator Drive Current**: Indicates the actuator drive current.
Configure Alarms/Shutdowns Page

Figure 6-6. Alarms and Shutdowns Configuration Screen

From the Alarm/Shutdown Configuration page, some of the alarms and shut downs can be configured. Editable faults are shown as colored buttons on the page. The colored buttons can be configured based on the following descriptions:

**WARNING** Changing these settings may cause the actuator to move and/or shut down. Ensure all personnel are clear of moving components before changing values. If an active Alarm is toggled to a Shutdown, the actuator will immediately shut down. It is recommended that the alarm be disabled before configuring it and then re-enabled when configuration is completed.

**Enable/Disable (E/D):** Enables or disables the alarm/shut down.

**Note:** Even if an active alarm/shut down is disabled, shows as active on the Alarms/Shutdowns page; however, it will have no effect on the general Alarm or Shutdown indications.

**Alarm/Shutdown (A/S):** Determines the action that will take place when the alarm is active and enabled.

**Latching/Non-Latching (N/L):** When set to Latching, a triggered alarm will remain active until the driver is reset. When set to Non-Latching, a triggered alarm will de-activate once the problem is remedied.
Saving and Loading Settings

It is highly recommended that the user save the VS-I settings after calibration and configuration. Save these settings for the user’s future reference. These settings can also be loaded into another VS-I should the unit ever be replaced.

To save the VS-I settings, click on Settings in the ribbon at the top left of the page and select “Save from Device to file…”

![Figure 6-7. Settings Menu](image)

To load settings from a PC to the VS-I, click on Settings in the ribbon at the top left of the page and select “Load Settings File to Device…”
Chapter 7. Repair and Troubleshooting

**WARNING** To prevent possible serious personal injury, or damage to equipment, be sure all electric power, hydraulic pressure, and rod end force have been removed from the actuator before beginning any maintenance or repairs.

**WARNING** Due to typical noise levels in turbine environments, hearing protection should be worn when working on or around the VS-I actuator.

**General**

The VariStroke-I is warranted to be free from defects in materials and workmanship, when installed and used in the manner for which it was intended, for a period of 36 months from the date of shipment from Woodward.

It is recommended that all repairs and servicing of the VS-I be performed by Woodward or its authorized service facilities.

Use of a cable gland or stopping plug that does not meet the hazardous area certification requirements, thread form, or thread size will invalidate the suitability for hazardous locations.

Never remove or alter the nameplate as it bears important information, which may be necessary to service or repair the unit.

**Shaft Seal Replacement**

Shaft seal replacement kits may be ordered from Woodward corresponding to product bore sizes as follows:

4" Bore: 8935-1216-10
5" Bore: 8935-1216-12
6" Bore: 8935-1216-15
8" Bore: 8935-1216-20
10" Bore: 8935-1216-25

Refer to Figure 7-1 which displays all part numbers corresponding to each seal kit. The location and assembly orientation of each kit component must be installed as depicted in Figure 7-1.
Figure 7-1. Shaft Seals Replacement Kits and Installation
Servo Valve / Hydraulic Cylinder Replacement

Before performing any repairs or replacement procedures to the VS-I, all Product Support Options listed in Chapter 8 should be understood and considered.

If it is determined that a Servo Valve or Hydraulic Cylinder must be replaced, replacement procedures can be found in Woodward manual 26836, *VariStroke-I Replacement Procedures*.

Troubleshooting

**General**
The following troubleshooting guide will help you isolate trouble with the servo valve, hydraulic power cylinder, control circuit board, wiring, and system problems. Recommend troubleshooting beyond this level ONLY when complete facility control testing is available.

Troubleshooting Procedure

This table is a general guide for isolating system problems. In general, most problems are a result of incorrect wiring or installation practices. Make sure that the system wiring, input/output connections, controls and contacts are correct and in good working order. Complete the checks in order. Each check assumes completion of the preceding checks and correcting any problems.

Table 7-1. VS-I General Troubleshooting Guide

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<tr>
<th>Problem</th>
<th>Cause</th>
<th>Remedy</th>
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<tr>
<td>Shut down</td>
<td>It is normal for this to occur when a shut down position has been</td>
<td>Take away command and reset VS-I for normal operation. Ensure the VS-I has a valid demand signal.</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td></td>
<td>commanded from an external source. I.E. Service Tool, Digital</td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td></td>
<td>Communication or Discrete Input.</td>
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<td></td>
<td>This is also normal when the Analog Demand signal has been turned off</td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td></td>
<td>or set out of range.</td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td></td>
<td>Unexpected command from digital communication.</td>
<td>Take away command and reset VS-I for normal operation.</td>
</tr>
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</table>
Run Enable configuration problem. Ensure the Used / Not Used settings inside the VS-I match the Active/Inactive settings of the controller. Settings can be modified using the Service Tool.

If the Run Enable is not used, disable this function using the Service Tool.

Critical Alarm / Diagnostic triggered a shut down.
Using the Service Tool, view the Alarms / Shutdowns page to determine the fault. Use the remainder of this chapter to determine the cause and solution to the fault.

Ensure position sensor wiring and power supply are connected correctly. See Chapter 3: Cylinder Position Feedback Analog Inputs.

Alarm
Detection: Alarm or Shut down is detected.

Diagnostic triggered an Alarm and/or Shut down.
Using the Service Tool, view the Alarms / Shutdowns page to determine the fault. Use the remainder of this chapter to determine the cause and solution to the fault.
## Table 7-2. VS-I Demand Faults Guide

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<th>Problem / Alarm</th>
<th>Cause</th>
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<tr>
<td>Run Enable Line Low</td>
<td>Run Enable circuit is open, or Run Enable configured incorrectly.</td>
<td>Ensure the Used / Not Used settings inside the VS-I match the Active/Inactive settings of the controller. Modify settings using the Service Tool. If the Run Enable is not used, disable this function using the Service Tool.</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Demand Invalid</td>
<td>All selected analog inputs are outside the specified range.</td>
<td>Check input source and connections.</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td></td>
<td>Wiring is disconnected or loose.</td>
<td>Check terminals and connections.</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Demand 1 / 2 Input Low</td>
<td>Detection: The analog input is below the diagnostic threshold. This is a user configurable parameter. Typically 2 mA.</td>
<td>Control system 4 to 20 mA output has failed high. Check the current to the analog input to the VS-I. Fix control system. Incorrect user configurable parameter in the electronics module for the max input diagnostic. Verify the 4–20 mA Diagnostic Range: High Limit Value using the VS-I Service Tool. VS-I internal electronics failure. Contact Woodward Technical Support for further assistance.</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td></td>
<td>Short in wiring to external voltage.</td>
<td>Check wiring for shorts to positive voltages.</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Demand 1 / 2 Input High</td>
<td>Detection: The analog demand input is above the diagnostic threshold. This is a user configurable parameter. Typically 22 mA.</td>
<td>Control system 4 to 20 mA output has failed high. Check the current to the analog input to the VS-I. Fix control system. Incorrect user configurable parameter in the electronics module for the max input diagnostic. Verify the 4–20 mA Diagnostic Range: High Limit Value using the VS-I Service Tool. VS-I internal electronics failure. Contact Woodward Technical Support for further assistance.</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Demand Spread Alarm</td>
<td>Incorrect input configuration and/or Spread Alarm Limits</td>
<td>If dual demand signals are not being connected and used, set mode to Single Channel. When using dual demand signals, check source hardware and connections.</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Demand Linearization Table Order Incorrect</td>
<td>Demand Linearization is not monotonically increasing.</td>
<td>Correct the table OR disable linearization.</td>
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Table 7-3. VS-I Power Supply Faults

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<tr>
<th>Problem</th>
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<tr>
<td>Power-up Reset</td>
<td>It is normal for the Power Up Reset diagnostic to occur upon power up of the VS-I.</td>
<td>Issue a reset to the VS-I.</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td></td>
<td>If this occurs while the VS-I is powered, and the diagnostic is set during a fast position transient, most likely the power infrastructure is not delivering the power needed.</td>
<td>During transient: Check terminal voltage at the VS-I during a 0-100% position transient, check wire gauge, fuses or other resistive components in the power supply system.</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Input Voltage Low</td>
<td>Input Power level detected below reasonable limit.</td>
<td>Check power source and connections. If the battery voltage decreases slowly during power down, Input Voltage Low flag may be set.</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Input Voltage High</td>
<td>Input Power level detected above reasonable limit.</td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>(Remote Servo Only) Shut down</td>
<td>Position Sensor Loop Power overloaded due to wiring fault or failed sensor.</td>
<td>Check sensor current draw and ensure position sensor wiring and power supply are connected correctly. See Chapter 3: Cylinder Position Feedback Analog Inputs.</td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>

Table 7-4. VS-I Feedback Faults

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<tr>
<th>Problem</th>
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<tbody>
<tr>
<td>Position 1 / 2 Feedback Low</td>
<td>Feedback sensor wiring fault or failed sensor channel.</td>
<td>Check all connections to the final cylinder; check for any impediment to motion.</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Detection: Power cylinder feedback 1 &lt; 4 mA</td>
<td></td>
<td>If problem persists, service will be required.</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Position 1 / 2 Feedback High</td>
<td>Feedback sensor wiring fault or failed sensor channel.</td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Detection: Power cylinder feedback 1 &gt; 20 mA</td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Position Feedback Spread Alarm</td>
<td>Sensors incorrectly calibrated</td>
<td>Complete one of the Calibration procedures listed in Chapter 5 to recalibrate the sensors.</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Detection: The difference between the redundant power cylinder feedback signals is greater than the set limits.</td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Both Position Feedbacks Failed</td>
<td>Feedback sensor wiring fault or failed sensor channel(s).</td>
<td>Check all connections to the final cylinder; check for any impediment to motion.</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Detection: Both power cylinder feedback signals are out of usable range.</td>
<td>If problem persists, service will be required.</td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Position Feedback 1 / 2 Readings are Negative or Much Greater 100%</td>
<td>Sensor temperature is too high. Note: This fault will typically clear after the actuator has cooled.</td>
<td>Ensure that the environment AND the mounting location are within the environmental specifications listed in chapter 2.</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Detection: Service tool readings of Position Feedback 1 / 2.</td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>
Stroke / Position In Service Tool Does Not Match Actual Stroke / Position

- Detection: Actual measurements using external measurement device.
- Incorrect “Position Sensor Length” input in to Service Tool.
- Position sensor requirements for accuracy and linearity are not fulfilled.
- Ensure that the “Position Sensor Length” input in to the Service Tool equals the full, 4–20 mA range of the position sensor.
- If greater accuracy is desired, consider replacing the cylinder position sensor with a more accurate sensor.

Table 7-5. VS-I Temperature Faults

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<tr>
<td>Temperature Derating Active</td>
<td>Current limits reduced because of high temperature. Limits will automatically reset.</td>
<td>Reduce ambient temperature to within specification limits.</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Temperature Sensor High</td>
<td>The ambient temperature of the electronics module is higher than allowed by specification.</td>
<td>Contact Woodward Technical Support for further assistance.</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Detection:</td>
<td>The Temperature sensor is defective.</td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Temperature Sensor Low</td>
<td>The ambient temperature of the electronics module is lower than allowed by specification.</td>
<td>Increase ambient temperature to within specification limits.</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Detection:</td>
<td>The Temperature sensor is defective.</td>
<td>Contact Woodward Technical Support for further assistance.</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Electric Servo Temp High</td>
<td>The ambient temperature of the electronics module is higher than allowed by specification.</td>
<td>Reduce ambient temperature to within specification limits.</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Detection:</td>
<td>The Temperature sensor is defective.</td>
<td>Contact Woodward Technical Support for further assistance.</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Electric Servo Temp Low</td>
<td>The ambient temperature of the electronics module is lower than allowed by specification.</td>
<td>Increase ambient temperature to within specification limits.</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Detection:</td>
<td>The Temperature sensor is defective.</td>
<td>Contact Woodward Technical Support for further assistance.</td>
</tr>
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### Table 7-6. Performance Faults

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<th>Problem</th>
<th>Cause</th>
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<tbody>
<tr>
<td>Spring Check Failed</td>
<td>Broken return spring</td>
<td>Service is required.</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td></td>
<td>Servo valve seizure</td>
<td>Service is required.</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Servo Tracking Alarm</td>
<td>Contamination in the valve/actuator system.</td>
<td>Ensure oil supply meets cleanliness requirements. Replace / filter oil and flush the valve with clean oil. If problem persists, service may be required.</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Servo Tracking Fault</td>
<td>Excessive Valve/Actuator Wear</td>
<td>Service is required.</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Cylinder Tracking Alarm</td>
<td>Excessive thermal growth in linkage</td>
<td>Lower the ambient temperature of the VariStroke and/or linkage. If this is not possible, consider disabling this diagnostic.</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Cylinder Tracking Fault</td>
<td>Contamination in the valve/actuator system.</td>
<td>Ensure oil supply meets cleanliness requirements. Replace / filter oil and flush the valve with clean oil. If problem persists, service may be required.</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Illegal Maximum Stop Position Error</td>
<td>Incorrect cylinder or position sensor configuration OR incorrect calibration limits</td>
<td>Ensure that calibrated maximum stop position is greater than 40% of the physical cylinder length and sensor length. Check that the settings in the Remote Cylinder Setup are correct.</td>
</tr>
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Table 7-6. Performance Faults (continued)

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<tr>
<td>Performance Index Warning</td>
<td>Incorrect configuration and calibration settings.</td>
<td>See Chapter 2: Performance Index for the details of this alarm.</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Detection:</td>
<td>- The settings for Supply Pressure, Offset at Minimum Position, and Maximum Stop Position result in a violation of the Performance Relationship.</td>
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</tr>
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<td></td>
<td>- The VS-I servo valve is too large for the set cylinder volume.</td>
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| Slow Slew Rates               | Loss or reduction in hydraulic supply pressure | Ensure that hydraulic pressure does not drop more than 10% during a full slew. Consider adding a high volume hydraulic accumulator to the supply line. See Chapter 2: Hydraulic Specifications. |

Table 7-7. Internal Faults

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<th>Problem</th>
<th>Cause</th>
<th>Remedy</th>
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<tr>
<td>Electronics Fault</td>
<td>An internal error has occurred in the driver.</td>
<td>Service required.</td>
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**Maintenance**

To maximize the life of the VS-I, please refer to the maintenance recommendation in Chapter 9: Asset Management and Refurbishment Scheduling Period.
Chapter 8.
Product Support and Service Options

Product Support Options

If you are experiencing problems with the installation, or unsatisfactory performance of a Woodward product, the following options are available:

- Consult the troubleshooting guide in the manual.
- Contact the manufacturer or packager of your system.
- Contact the Woodward Full Service Distributor serving your area.
- Contact Woodward technical assistance (see “How to Contact Woodward” later in this chapter) and discuss your problem. In many cases, your problem can be resolved over the phone. If not, you can select which course of action to pursue based on the available services listed in this chapter.

OEM or Packager Support: Many Woodward controls and control devices are installed into the equipment system and programmed by an Original Equipment Manufacturer (OEM) or Equipment Packager at their factory. In some cases, the programming is password-protected by the OEM or packager, and they are the best source for product service and support. Warranty service for Woodward products shipped with an equipment system should also be handled through the OEM or Packager. Please review your equipment system documentation for details.

Woodward Business Partner Support: Woodward works with and supports a global network of independent business partners whose mission is to serve the users of Woodward controls, as described here:

- A Full Service Distributor has the primary responsibility for sales, service, system integration solutions, technical desk support, and aftermarket marketing of standard Woodward products within a specific geographic area and market segment.
- An Authorized Independent Service Facility (AISF) provides authorized service that includes repairs, repair parts, and warranty service on Woodward's behalf. Service (not new unit sales) is an AISF's primary mission.
- A Recognized Turbine Retrofitter (RTR) is an independent company that does both steam and gas turbine control retrofits and upgrades globally, and can provide the full line of Woodward systems and components for the retrofits and overhauls, long term service contracts, emergency repairs, etc.

A current list of Woodward Business Partners is available at www.woodward.com/directory.

Product Service Options

The following factory options for servicing Woodward products are available through your local Full-Service Distributor or the OEM or Packager of the equipment system, based on the standard Woodward Product and Service Warranty (5-01-1205) that is in effect at the time the product is originally shipped from Woodward or a service is performed:

- Replacement/Exchange (24-hour service)
- Flat Rate Repair
- Flat Rate Remanufacture
Replacement/Exchange: Replacement/Exchange is a premium program designed for the user who is in need of immediate service. It allows you to request and receive a like-new replacement unit in minimum time (usually within 24 hours of the request), providing a suitable unit is available at the time of the request, thereby minimizing costly downtime. This is a flat-rate program and includes the full standard Woodward product warranty (Woodward Product and Service Warranty 5-01-1205).

This option allows you to call your Full-Service Distributor in the event of an unexpected outage, or in advance of a scheduled outage, to request a replacement control unit. If the unit is available at the time of the call, it can usually be shipped out within 24 hours. You replace your field control unit with the like-new replacement and return the field unit to the Full-Service Distributor.

Charges for the Replacement/Exchange service are based on a flat rate plus shipping expenses. You are invoiced the flat rate replacement/exchange charge plus a core charge at the time the replacement unit is shipped. If the core (field unit) is returned within 60 days, a credit for the core charge will be issued.

Flat Rate Repair: Flat Rate Repair is available for the majority of standard products in the field. This program offers you repair service for your products with the advantage of knowing in advance what the cost will be. All repair work carries the standard Woodward service warranty (Woodward Product and Service Warranty 5-01-1205) on replaced parts and labor.

Flat Rate Remanufacture: Flat Rate Remanufacture is very similar to the Flat Rate Repair option with the exception that the unit will be returned to you in “like-new” condition and carry with it the full standard Woodward product warranty (Woodward Product and Service Warranty 5-01-1205). This option is applicable to mechanical products only.

Returning Equipment for Repair

If a control (or any part of an electronic control) is to be returned for repair, please contact your Full-Service Distributor in advance to obtain Return Authorization and shipping instructions.

When shipping the item(s), attach a tag with the following information:
- Return authorization number
- Name and location where the control is installed
- Name and phone number of contact person
- Complete Woodward part number(s) and serial number(s)
- Description of the problem
- Instructions describing the desired type of repair

Packing a Control

Use the following materials when returning a complete control:
- Protective caps on any connectors
- Antistatic protective bags on all electronic modules
- Packing materials that will not damage the surface of the unit
- At least 100 mm (4 inches) of tightly packed, industry-approved packing material
- A packing carton with double walls
- A strong tape around the outside of the carton for increased strength

To prevent damage to electronic components caused by improper handling, read and observe the precautions in Woodward manual 82715, Guide for Handling and Protection of Electronic Controls, Printed Circuit Boards, and Modules.
Replacement Parts

When ordering replacement parts for controls, include the following information:
- The part number(s) (XXXX-XXXX) that is on the enclosure nameplate
- The unit serial number, which is also on the nameplate

Engineering Services

Woodward offers various Engineering Services for our products. For these services, you can contact us by telephone, by email, or through the Woodward website.
- Technical Support
- Product Training
- Field Service

Technical Support is available from your equipment system supplier, your local Full-Service Distributor, or from many of Woodward's worldwide locations, depending upon the product and application. This service can assist you with technical questions or problem solving during the normal business hours of the Woodward location you contact. Emergency assistance is also available during non-business hours by phoning Woodward and stating the urgency of your problem.

Product Training is available as standard classes at many of our worldwide locations. We also offer customized classes, which can be tailored to your needs and can be held at one of our locations or at your site. This training, conducted by experienced personnel, will assure that you will be able to maintain system reliability and availability.

Field Service engineering on-site support is available, depending on the product and location, from many of our worldwide locations or from one of our Full-Service Distributors. The field engineers are experienced both on Woodward products as well as on much of the non-Woodward equipment with which our products interface.

For information on these services, please contact us via telephone, email us, or use our website: www.woodward.com.

Contacting Woodward’s Support Organization

For the name of your nearest Woodward Full-Service Distributor or service facility, please consult our worldwide directory at www.woodward.com/directory, which also contains the most current product support and contact information.

You can also contact the Woodward Customer Service Department at one of the following Woodward facilities to obtain the address and phone number of the nearest facility at which you can obtain information and service.

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Technical Assistance

If you need to contact technical assistance, you will need to provide the following information. Please write it down here before contacting the Engine OEM, the Packager, a Woodward Business Partner, or the Woodward factory:

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*If you have an electronic or programmable control, please have the adjustment setting positions or the menu settings written down and with you at the time of the call.*
Chapter 9.
Asset Management and Refurbishment
Scheduling Period

The following recommendations regarding the Woodward designed and manufactured VS-I actuator are to assist in properly managing the reliability, availability, and “safety of operation” expectations established for turbines. While there are electronic control systems designed to monitor and diagnose the operational performance of these components, control monitoring cannot replace normal preventative maintenance practices. It is important to follow these recommendations in order to avoid unnecessary and unscheduled shutdowns.

This product is designed for continuous operation under normal industrial operating conditions. Periodic service is not required on any components. Recommend performing service during major turnarounds, scheduled every five to eight years depending on the site and application. During major outages, Woodward recommends the VS-I be sent back to Woodward or a Woodward Authorized Service Facility (AISF) for inspection, component servicing and to take advantage of related product software and hardware improvements.

Installations that do not meet “normal” industrial operating conditions may require customized maintenance cycles to maximize reliability, performance, and asset life. Contact your local Woodward representative for a detailed evaluation of your site conditions to determine the right maintenance cycles for your installation.

Woodward’s overhaul services will return the unit to “like new” condition ready for another full operating cycle, lasting until the next planned maintenance outage. Upon reaching the recommended maintenance cycle of the auxiliary component, please contact either the sites turbine OEM service representative, local Woodward Distributor or Woodward Authorized Independent Service Facility to facilitate services. See Chapter 8 for Product Support and Services Options.
Chapter 10.
Long-Term Storage Requirements

Units that will not be put into service within twelve months should be packaged for long-term storage as described in Woodward manual 25075, Commercial Preservation Packaging for Storage of Mechanical-Hydraulic Controls.
Appendices
Outline Drawings and Installation Features
Appendix A – V45 Servo, 4-inch (100mm) Bore Integrated Servo-Cylinder (V45TD-10XX)

Figure A-1a. V45TD-10XX Integrated Installation Dimensions
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Appendix B – V45 Servo, 5-inch (127mm) Bore Integrated Servo-Cylinder (V45TD-12XX)

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Appendix E – V45 Servo, 10-inch (250mm) Bore Integrated Servo-Cylinder (V45TD-25XX)

Figure E-1a. V45TD-25XX Integrated Installation Dimensions
Figure E-1b. V45TD-25XX Integrated Installation Dimensions
Appendix F – V45 Servo, 4-inch (100mm) Bore Remote Servo-Cylinder (V45RD-10XX)

Figure F-1a. VS-I Remote Maximum Allowable Distance between Actuator and Servo

NOTES:

THE SPACING BETWEEN SERVO VALVE AND ACTUATOR IS LIMITED BY THE POSITION SENSOR WIRINGS.
ALLOWED MAXIMUM LENGTH OF THE CABLE FROM THE TERMINAL IN ACTUATOR TO TERMINAL
ON PCB PLATE EQUALS 5/2 INCH (125mm).

UNITS = INCHES (MM)
Figure F-1b. V45RD-10XX Remote Installation Dimensions
Figure F-1c. V45RD-10XX Remote Installation Dimensions
Appendix G – V45 Servo, 5-inch (127mm) Bore Remote Servo-Cylinder (V45RD-12XX)

Figure G-1a. VS-I Remote Maximum Allowable Distance between Actuator and Servo

NOTES:

The spacing between servo valve and actuator is limited by the position sensor wirings. Allowed maximum length of the cable from the terminal in actuator to terminal on per plate equals 112 inch (2850 mm).
Figure G-1b. V45RD-12XX Remote Installation Dimensions
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Figure G-1c. V45RD-12XX Remote Installation Dimensions
Appendix H – V45 Servo, 6-inch (150mm) Bore Remote Servo-Cylinder (V45RD-15XX)

Figure H-1a. VS-I Remote Maximum Allowable Distance Between Actuator and Servo
Figure H-1b. V45RD-15XX Remote Installation Dimensions
Figure H-1c. V45RD-15XX Remote Installation Dimensions
Figure I-1a. VS-I Remote Maximum Allowable Distance between Actuator and Servo
Figure I-1b. V45RD-20XX Remote Installation Dimensions
Figure I-1c. V45RD-20XX Remote Installation Dimensions
Appendix J – V45 Servo, 10-inch (250mm) Bore Remote Servo-Cylinder (V45RD-25XX)

Figure J-1a. VS-I Remote Maximum Allowable Distance Between Actuator and Servo
Figure J-1b. V45RD-25XX Remote Installation Dimensions
Figure J-1c. V45RD-25XX Remote Installation Dimensions
Appendix K – V45 Servo, 4-inch (100mm) Bore Integrated Spring Assist Servo-Cylinder (V45TX-1010)

Figure K-1a. V45TX-1010 Integrated Spring Assist Installation Dimensions
Figure K-1b. V45TX-1010 Integrated Spring Assist Installation Dimensions
Figure L-1a. V45TX-15XX Integrated Spring Assist Installation Dimensions
Figure L-1b. V45TX-15XX Integrated Spring Assist Installation Dimensions
Appendix M – V45 Servo, 8-inch (200mm) Bore Integrated Spring Assist Servo-Cylinder (V45TX-20XX)

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### Table M-1b: V45TX-20XX Integrated Spring Assist Installation Dimensions

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Appendix N – V45 Servo, 10-inch (250mm) Bore Integrated Spring Assist Servo-Cylinder (V45TX-2510)

Figure N-1a. V45TX-2510 Integrated Spring Assist Installation Dimensions
Figure N-1b. V45TX-2510 Integrated Spring Assist Installation Dimensions
Appendix O – V45 Servo, 4-inch (100mm) Bore Remote Spring Assist Servo-Cylinder (V45RX-1010)

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Figure O-1b. V45RX-1010 Remote Spring Assist Installation Dimensions
Figure O-1c. V45RX-1010 Remote Spring Assist Installation Dimensions
Appendix P – V45 Servo, 6-inch (150mm) Bore Remote Spring Assist Servo-Cylinder (V45RX-15XX)

Figure P-1a. VS-I Remote Maximum Allowable Distance Between Actuator and Servo

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Figure P-1b. V45RX-15XX Remote Spring Assist Installation Dimensions
Figure P-1c. V45RX-15XX Remote Spring Assist Installation Dimensions
Appendix Q – V45 Servo, 8-inch (200mm) Bore Remote Spring Assist Servo-Cylinder (V45RX-20XX)

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Appendix R – V45 Servo, 10-inch (250mm) Bore Remote Spring Assist Servo-Cylinder (V45RX-2510)

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Figure R-1b. V45RX-2510 Remote Spring Assist Installation Dimensions
Figure R-1c. V45RX-2510 Remote Spring Assist Installation Dimensions
Appendix S – Remote Servo Version (V45V)

Figure S-1a. Typical VS-I Remote Servo Installation Dimensions
Figure S-1b. Typical VS-I Remote Servo Installation Dimensions
Revision History

Changes in Revision L—
- Edited content of Note 3d on pg. 31
- Added Shaft Seal Replacement section to Chapter 7
- Added Figure 7-1

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- Important Box added to bottom of page 47
- Figure L-1a updated Note text

Changes in Revision J—
- Added System Requirements to Chapter 4
- New EU Declaration
- Removed GOST-TR certification and installed EAC Ex certification

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- Removed Appendix F and added new Appendix M-S
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- Renamed all appendices
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- Replaced Figure 2-3
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- Replaced Figure B-1b
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- Replaced Figure G-1c
- Added V45 Servo, 5-inch (127mm) Bore Remote Servo-Cylinder (V45TD-12XX) information in body and Appendices.
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- Appendices A through M and associated figures

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- Updated Figures 2-3 & 2-4
- Expanded explanation of Cylinder Configuration (Chapter 5)
- Updated Hardware Replacement instructions (Chapter 7)
Changes in Revision C—
- Major updates throughout

Changes in Revision B—
- Major updates throughout

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- Updated product photo
- Added information to Hydraulic Specifications
- Updated Figures 1-3 & 2-1
EU DECLARATION OF CONFORMITY

EU DoC No.: 00420-04-EU-02-01
Manufacturer’s Name: WOODWARD INC.
Manufacturer’s Contact Address: 1041 Woodward Way
Fort Collins, CO 80524 USA
Model Name(s)/Number(s): Steam Varistroke I and Varistroke II Electro Hydraulic Actuator

The object of the declaration described above is in conformity with the following relevant Union harmonization legislation:
Directives 2014/34/EU on the harmonisation of the laws of the Member States relating to equipment and protective systems intended for use in potentially explosive atmospheres

Markings in addition to CE marking:
Category 2 Group II G, Ex d IIB T4 Gb
Category 3 Group II G, Ex nA IIC T4 Gc

Applicable Standards:
EN 61000-6-2, 2005: EMC Part 6-2: Generic Standards – Immunity for Industrial Environments
EN60079-0:2012/A11:2013 - Explosive Atmospheres - Part 0: Equipment – General requirements
(A review against IEC 60079-1:2014, which is harmonized, shows no significant changes to this equipment so IEC 60079-1:2007 continues to represent « State of the Art »)
EN60079-15: 2010 - Explosive Atmospheres - Part 15: Equipment protection by type of protection “n”

Third Party Certification:
Zone 1: SIRA 14ATEX5028X
Zone 2: SIRA 14ATEX5029X
Conformity Assessment:
ATEX Annex IV - Production Quality Assessment, 01 220 113542
TUV Rheinland Industrie Service GmbH (0035)
Am Grauen Stein, D51105 Cologne

This declaration of conformity is issued under the sole responsibility of the manufacturer.
We, the undersigned, hereby declare that the equipment specified above conforms to the above Directive(s).

Signature: Joe Driscoll
Full Name: Engineering Manager
Position: Woodward, Fort Collins, CO, USA
Place: Woodward, Fort Collins, CO, USA
Date: 10/12/17

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DECLARATION OF INCORPORATION
Of Partly Completed Machinery
2006/42/EC

Manufacturer’s Name: WOODWARD INC.
Manufacturer’s Address: 1000 E. Drake Rd.
                     Fort Collins, CO, USA, 80525
                     3800 N. Wilson Ave.
                     Loveland, CO, USA 80538

Model Names: The Varistroke I Electro Hydraulic Actuator

This product complies, where applicable, with the following Essential Requirements of Annex I:
1.1, 1.2, 1.3, 1.5, 1.6, 1.7

The relevant technical documentation is compiled in accordance with part B of Annex VII. Woodward shall transmit relevant information if required by a reasoned request by the national authorities. The method of transmittal shall be agreed upon by the applicable parties.

The person authorized to compile the technical documentation:

Name: Ralf Friedrich, Group Quality Director
Address: Woodward GmbH, Handwerkstraße 29, 70565 Stuttgart, Germany

This product must not be put into service until the final machinery into which it is to be incorporated has been declared in conformity with the provisions of this Directive, where appropriate.

The undersigned hereby declares, on behalf of Woodward Inc. of Loveland and Fort Collins, Colorado that the above referenced product is in conformity with Directive 2006/42/EC as partly completed machinery:

MANUFACTURER

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