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## **IMPORTANT:**

Gas compressor units are complicated and dangerous pieces of equipment, do not attempt to repair, start-up, shut down or operate the unit without proper supervision or training.

Before starting the compressor:

- Familiarize yourself with the unit.
- Read and study the start-up and shut-down information for both package and compressor carefully.
- A gas/air mixture under pressure can explode! You can be severely injured or killed. Make sure the compressor is sufficiently purged of any explosive mixture before handling or loading.
- After completing the previous step, begin proper starting procedure.

## CAUTION

DO NOT attempt to start-up the unit without referring to this manual Section 3 Compressor Start-Up. It is also important to refer to the packager's operating instructions or manual.

## 1 INTRODUCTION



## 1.1 Purpose of this Manual

This manual is designed to provide information, specifications maintenance and instruction regarding the Arrow Engine VRC-2 gas compressor.

This manual provides design specifications standards for the VRC-2 gas compressor at time of publication of this material. If you have any questions regarding any of this material, please contact your packager. If they are unable to assist, you may always contact Arrow Engine at 1-800-331-3662.

This manual provides design specifications for standard current production equipment at the date of publication. Do not exceed information plate ratings for the VRC-2 Compressor.

# GENERAL INFORMATION & DESIGN SPECIFICATIONS

## 2.1 Arrow Engine VRC-2 Compressor Overview

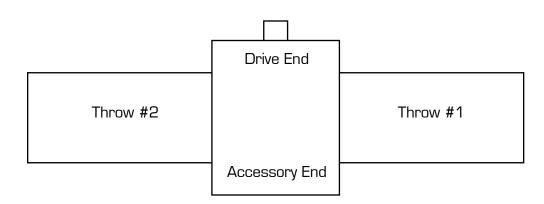
The Arrow VRC-2 is a two-throw separable reciprocating gas compressor. The horizontally opposed cylinders are accurately balanced for smooth running and long lasting durability at 1800 RPM. Unlike many other reciprocating compressors, the VRC-2 has a unique three-throw crankshaft configuration that eliminates opposing cylinder off-set and the vibration associated with traditional designs.

The absolute alignment of opposing cylinders provides perfectly balanced weight distribution and symmetry. The elimination of vibration associated with horizontal couple inherent with traditional designs, along with state-of -the-art engineering design and rugged construction, make the VRC-2 a truly balanced, high-performance, durable compressor specifically designed for continuous operation at high speed. The 1800 RPM speed design, 125 horsepower rating and 14,000 pound combined rod load capability make the VRC-2 a perfect fit for direct coupling with today's higher speed gas engines.

The Arrow VRC-2 can be packaged for single, two-stage and three-stage applications with cylinder size from  $2\ 1/4$ " to 8". Cylinders are air-cooled which reduces packaging and maintenance costs. As a standard feature, cylinders have a variable volume clearance pocket for flexibility and adjustment to allow accurate fits for changing field conditions.

The use of a pressurized lubrication system, highly efficient Hoerbiger valves, industry proven accessories, innovative engineering design, and close attention to quality make the Arrow VRC-2 gas compressor unequaled in the industry.

## 2.1.1 Compressor Frame Nomenclature



## 2.2 Compressor Frame Specification

VRC-2 Compressor Frame Specifications					
STROKE	3 in. (76.2 mm)				
SPEED, RPM (MAXIMUM)	1,800 RPM				
PISTON SPEED	900 ft/min (4.57 m/s)				
NUMBER OF THROWS	2				
HORSEPOWER	125 hp (93 kW)				
HORSEPOWER (optional)	150 hp (112 kW)				
PISTON ROD DIAMETER	1.125 in. (28.575 mm)				
Crankshaft diameter	2.50 in. (63.50 mm)				
HEIGHT - BOTTOM TO CRANKSHAFT	12.75 in. (323.85 mm)				
MAXIMUM WIDTH	95 in. (2.413 m)				
MAXIMUM LENGTH	22.5 in. (0.5715 m)				
APPROXIMATE WEIGHT WITH CYLINDERS	1,700 lb (771 kg)				
ROD LOAD - TENSION	7,000 lb (3175 kg)				
ROD LOAD - COMPRESSION	7,000 lb (3175 kg)				
ROD LOAD COMBINED	14,000 lb (6350 kg)				
OIL PUMP CAPACITY	4 GPM (15 LPM)				
OIL HEAT REJECTION	3750 BTU/hr. (945 Kal/HR)				
OIL SUMP CAPACITY	4 gal. (15 L)				

Table 2.1 - VRC-2 Compressor Specifications

COMPONENTS						
	INCHES (MM)					
CRANKSHAFT MAIN BEARING DIAMETER	3.346 (84.988)					
CRANK PIN DIAMETER	2.447 (62.154)					
MAIN BEARING TYPE	Spherical Roller					
CONNECTING ROD LENGTH CL-CL	7.375 (187.325)					
CONNECTING ROD BEARING WIDTH (SINGLE)	1.604 (40.742)					
CONNECTING ROD BUSHING WIDTH (SINGLE)	1.750 (44.45)					
CONNECTING ROD BOLTS (SINGLE)	(FOUR) 1/2"					
CONNECTING ROD BEARING WIDTH (DOUBLE)	0.802 (20.371)					
CONNECTING ROD BUSHING WIDTH (DOUBLE)	0.875 (22.225)					
CONNECTING ROD BOLTS (DOUBLE)	(TWO) 1/2"					
CROSSHEAD SURFACE	5.25 X 3.5 (133.35 X 88.90)					
FLOATING CROSSHEAD PIN DIAMETER	2.235 (56.769)					
PISTON ROD DIAMETER	1.125 (28.575)					

Table 2.2 - VRC-2 Compressor Components

MATERIALS	
FRAME	Class 40 Gray Iron
CRANKSHAFT	Forging With Induction Hardened Journals
CONNECTING RODS	Forging
CONNECTING ROD BEARINGS	Tri-Metal
CROSSHEADS	65-45-12 Ductile Iron
CROSSHEADS (Optional)	65-45-12 Ductile Iron with Babbitt
CROSSHEAD PINS	Sae 8620 Carbonized
CROSSHEAD PIN BUSHINGS	Sae 660 Bronze
PISTON RODS	Sae 4140 Induction Hardened
PACKING RINGS	Carbon Filled Teflon with Cast Iron Backup Rings
PISTON	Cast Iron Or Aluminum
PISTON RINGS	Carbon Filled Teflon
CYLINDERS	80-55-06 Ductile Iron

Table 2.3 - VRC-2 Compressor Materials

CLEARANCES (AS NEW)						
DESCRIPTION	CLEARANCE Inches	mm				
Crankshaft Thrust (End Play)	0.004 to 0.009	0.1016 to 0.2286				
Crankshaft Journal Bearing	0.0005 to 0.0035	0.0127 to 0.0889				
Crankshaft Pin To Connecting Rod Bearing	0.0015 to 0.0040	0.381 to 0.1016				
Connecting Rod Thrust (Side)	0.007 to 0.016	0.1778 to 0.4064				
Connecting Rod Bushing To Crosshead Pin	0.0014 to 0.0031	0.03556 to 0.07874				
Crosshead To Crosshead Pin	0.0015 to 0.0025	0.381 to 0.0635				
Crosshead To Guide (Feeler Gauge)	0.007 to 0.011	0.1778 to 0.2794				
Piston End Clearance - Crank End (Double Acting)	30% Of Total Clearance - 0.063 (approx.)	1.6002 (approx.)				
Piston End Clearance - Head End (Double Acting)	70% Of Total Clearance - 0.093 (approx.)	2.3622 (approx.)				
Piston End Clearance - Crank End (Steeple Cylinder)	30% Of Total Clearance - 0.063 (approx.)	1.6002 (approx.)				
Piston End Clearance - Head End (Steeple Cylinder)	70% Of Total Clearance - 0.093 (approx.)	2.3622 (approx.)				
Maximum Acceptable Piston Rod Run Out - Vertical	0.002	0.0508				
Maximum Acceptable Piston Rod Run Out - Horizontal	0.001	0.0245				

Table 2.4 - VRC-2 Compressor Clearances

ARROW VRC-2 DOUBLE ACTING CYLINDER DATA							
BORE, IN	FLANGE SIZE, IN/RATING	VALVE TYPE	LIFT AREA SUCT/ DISCH, SQ/IN	VALVE LIFT SUCT/ DISCH, IN.	ADDED CLEARANCE/ MAXIMUM %	MAWP, PSI	RDP, PSI
2.5	1.5"/900#	42 CRO	0.76/0.65	.055/.047	44 W/HD SPACERS	1500	1350
3.0	1.5"/900#	42 CRO	0.76/0.65	.055/.047	40 W/HD SPACERS	1500	1350
3.5	2"/600#	60 CRO	1.84/1.23	.071/.047	56 W/ VVCP	1000	900
4.0	2"/600#	60 CRO	1.84/1.23	.071/.047	42 W/ VVCP	1000	900
4.5	2.5"/600#	70 CRO	2.39/1.60	.071/.047	52 W/ VVCP	750	675
5.0	2.5"/600#	70 CRO	2.39/1.60	.071/.047	42 W/ VVCP	750	675
5.5	3"/300#	88 CRO	3.41/2.64	.071/.055	52 W/ VVCP	500	450
6.0	3"/300#	88 CRO	3.41/2.64	.071/.055	44 W/ VVCP	500	450
6.5	4"/300#	105 CRO	3.98/3.98	.055/.055	59 W/ VVCP	400	225
7.0	4"/300#	105 CRO	3.98/3.98	.055/.055	52 W/ VVCP	400	225
7.5	4"/300#	105 CRO	5.10/3.98	.071/.055	59 W/ VVCP	200	180
8.0	4"/300#	105 CRO	5.10/3.98	.071/.055	52 W/ VVCP	200	180

Table 2.5 - VRC-2 Compressor Double Acting Cylinder Data

ARROW VRC-2 STEEPLE CYLINDER DATA							
BORE SACE X SAHE IN	FLANGE SIZE IN/RATING	VALVE TYPE	LIFT AREA SUCT/ DISCH SQ/ IN	VALVE LIFT SUCT/ DISCH IN.	ADDED CLEARANCE/ MAXIMUM %	MAWP PSI	RDP PSI
3.5 / 2.25	2.0"/600# X 1.5"/1500#	60 CRO 42 CRO	1.84/1.23 0.76/0.65	.071/.047 .055/.047	26 W/HD SPACERS	1000 2250	900/2025
4.0 / 2.25	2.0"/600# X 1.5"/1500#	60 CRO 42 CRO	1.84/1.23 0.76/0.65	.071/.047 .055/.047	26 W/HD SPACERS	1000 2250	900/2025
4.5 / 2.50	2.5"/600# x 1.5"/1500#	70 CRO 42 CRO	2.39/1.60 0.76/0.65	.071/.047 .055/.047	26 W/HD SPACERS	750/2250	675/2025
4.5 / 3.0	2.5"/600# X 1.5"/900#	70 CRO 60 CRO	2.39/1.60 1.64/1.23	.071/.047 .063/.047	26 W/HD SPACERS	750/1500	675/1350
4.5 / 3.5	2.5"/600# X 1.5"/900#	70 CRO 60 CRO	2.39/1.60 1.64/1.23	.071/.047 .063/.047	26 W/HD SPACERS	750/1500	675/1350
5.0 / 2.50	2.5"/600# X 1.5/1500#	70 CRO 42 CRO	2.39/1.60 0.76/0.65	.071/.047 .055/.047	26 W/HD SPACERS	750/2250	675/2025
5.0 / 3.0	2.5"/600# X 1.5"/900#	70 CRO 60 CRO	2.39/1.60 1.64/1.23	.071/.047 .063/.047	26 W/HD SPACERS	750/1500	675/1350
5.0 / 3.5	2.5"/600# X 1.5"/900#	70 CRO 60 CRO	2.39/1.60 1.64/1.23	.071/.047 .063/.047	26 W/HD SPACERS	750/1500	675/1350
5.5 / 3.0	3.0"/300# X 1.5"/900#	88 CRO 60 CRO	3.41/2.64 1.64/1.23	.071/.055 .063/.047	26 W/HD SPACERS	500/1500	450/1350
5.5 / 3.5	3.0"/300# X 1.5"/900#	88 CRO 60 CRO	3.41/2.64 1.64/1.23	.071/.055 .063/.047	26 W/HD SPACERS	500/1500	450/1350
6.0 / 3.0	3.0"/300# X 1.5"/900#	88 CRO 60 CRO	3.41/2.64 1.64/1.23	.071/.055 .063/.047	26 W/HD SPACERS	500/1500	450/1350
6.0 / 3.5	3.0"/300# X 1.5"/900#	88 CRO 60 CRO	3.41/2.64 1.64/1.23	.071/.055 .063/.047	26 W/HD SPACERS	500/1500	450/1350
6.5 / 4.0	4.0"/300# X 2.0"/600#	105 CRO 70 CRO	3.98/3.98 2.12/160	.055/.055 .063/0.47	26 W/HD SPACERS	400/1000	360/900
6.5 / 4.5	4.0"/300# X 2.0"/600#	105 CRO 70 CRO	3.98/3.98 2.12/1.60	.055/.055 .063/.047	26 W/HD SPACERS	400/1000	360/900
7.0 / 4.0	4.0"/300# X 2.0"/600#	105 CRO 70 CRO	3.98/3.98 2.12/1.60	.055/.055 .063/.047	26 W/HD SPACERS	400/1000	360/900
7.0 / 4.5	4.0"/300# X 2.0"/600#	105 CRO 70 CRO	3.98/3.98 2.12/1.60	.055/.055 .063/.047	26 W/HD SPACERS	400/1000	360/900

Table 2.6 - VRC-2 Compressor Steeple Cylinder Data

## 2.3 Piston Ring & Packing Ring Side Clearance & End Gap

The standard side clearance in inches (mm) for the VRC-2 compressor piston rings and packing rings, when new, are shown in the following tables.

NEW C	NEW CONVENTIONAL PISTON RING SIDE CLEARANCE								
NOMINAL WIDTH	ACTUAL GROOVE WIDTH inches (mm)	TEFLON ONE-PIECE inches (mm)							
1/4 (6.35)	0.250 to 0.252 (6.35 to 6.4008)	0.005 to 0.009 (0.127 to 0.2286)							
3/8 (9.53)	0.375 to 0.377 (9.525 to 9.5758)	0.007 to 0.011 (0.1778 to 0.2794)							

Table 2.7 - VRC-2 Compressor Piston Ring Side Clearance

NEW RIDER RING PISTON RING SIDE CLEARANCE							
NOMINAL WIDTH	ACTUAL GROOVE WIDTH inches (mm)	TEFLON ONE-PIECE inches (mm)					
1/2 (12.7)	0.500 to 0.502 (12.70 to 12.7508)	0.008 to 0.013 (0.2032 to 0.3302)					
3/4 (19.05)	0.750 to 0.752 (19.05 to 19.1008)	0.014 to 0.019 (0.3556 to 0.4826)					

Table 2.8 - VRC-2 Compressor New Rider Ring Piston Ring Side Clearance

# PISTON TO BORE CLEARANCE AND CONVENTIONAL PISTON RING END GAP FOR DOUBLE ACTING AND STEEPLE CYLINDERS

BORE DIAMETER (inches)	PISTON TO BORE CLEARANCE (inches)	PISTON RING END GAP - TFE New Minimum - Maximum (inches)
2.5	0.031 to 0.034	0.034 to 0.044
3.0	0.030 to 0.033	0.042 to 0.052
3.5	0.030 to 0.033	0.049 to 0.059
4.0	0.030 to 0.034	0.056 to 0.068
4.5	0.030 to 0.034	0.063 to 0.077
5.0	0.030 to 0.034	0.070 to 0.086
5.5	0.045 to 0.049	0.077 to 0.095
6.0	0.045 to 0.049	0.084 to 0.102
6.5	0.045 to 0.049	0.091 to 0.110
7.0	0.045 to 0.049	0.098 to 0.120
7.5	0.045 to 0.049	0.105 to 0.129
8.0	0.045 to 0.049	0.136 to 0.112

Table 2.9 - Piston to Bore Clearance and Conventional Piston Ring End Gap for Double Acting and Steeple Cylinders

## 2.4 Fastener Tightening Torque

The following tables list the fastener tightening torque values required for proper assembly of the Arrow VRC-2 compressor. All threads need to be cleaned and free from burrs and nicks.

Torque values are based on the use of petroleum type lubricants used on threads and seating surfaces.

FASTENER	NOMINAL SIZE, INCH - TPI	ТҮРЕ	TORQUE
CONNECTING ROD CAP SCREW	1/2 - 20	12 Point - Grade 8	90 ftlb (122 Nm)
CROSSHEAD PIN THROUGH BOLT - LOCK NUT	3/8 - 16	Hex - Flexloc	25 ftlb (34 Nm)
FRAME TO CYLINDER - SCREW	1/2 - 13	12 Point - Grade 8	82 ftlb (111 Nm )
ECCENTRIC CHAIN IDLER CLAMP - SCREW	1/4 - 20	12 Point - Grade 8	109 inlb (16 Nm)
IDLER SPROCKET - SCREW	3/8 - 24	12 Point - Grade 8	30 ftlb (55 Nm)
ROD PACKING - SCREW	1/2 - 13	12 Point - Grade 8	45 ftlb (61 Nm)
PISTON NUT	7/8 - 14	Arrow Design	330 ftlb (447 Nm)
CROSSHEAD JAM NUT	2 - 14	Arrow Design	255 ftlb (346 Nm)
RUPTURE DISC - BLOW OUT FITTING CAP	1/4 - Nom. Tube	Hex - Tube Fitting	36 inlb (4 Nm)*
VALVE COVER/CYLINDER HEAD/VVCP - SCREW	1/2 - 13	12 Point - Grade 8	82 ftlb (111 Nm)
STEEPLE CYLINDER TO CYLIN- DER - SCREW	1/2 - 13	12 Point - Grade 8	82 ftlb (111 Nm)
DIVIDER BLOCK VALVE - SCREW	1/4 - 28	Socket Head	109 inlb (16 Nm)

<sup>\*</sup> Because the aluminum disk may be damaged if tightened to tight, Arrow recommends hand tighten and then 1/8 turn with a wrench for proper tightening.

Table 2.10 - VRC-2 Compressor Fastener Tightening Values

VALVE ASSEMBLY FASTENERS - TIGHTENING VALUES					
CYLINDER SIZE (inches)	CENTER BOLT SIZE (inches)	TORQUE VALUE (ftlbs)			
2.25 - 3.0	1/4 - 28 UNF	8 - 10			
3.5 - 4.0	5/16 - 24 UNF	13 - 15			
4.5 - 5.0	3/8 - 24 UNF	18 - 21			
5.5 - 6.0	1/2 - 20 UNF	32- 38			
6.5 - 8.0	1/2 - 20 UNF	32- 38			

Table 2.11 - VRC-2 Compressor Valve Assembly Fasteners - Tightening Values

## 2.5 Torque Procedures

Listed here are procedures to aid you with proper torque technique. These procedures will allow faster and more accurate tightening as well as to ensure that the proper torque is being applied.

These are general guidelines to assist you in the proper use and techniques of the torque wrench.

- 1. Check to be sure your torque wrench is calibrated properly and is being used by a qualified individual. This will ensure that proper tightening torque for all critical parts is achieved.
- 2. Since torque wrenches are not accurate over their entire range, check to determine what range the torque wrench is accurate.
- 3. When tightening with a torque wrench NEVER "jerk" the wrench. Apply steady slow force to the torque wrench. When jerking a torque wrench the amount of torque applied can be as much as one and a half times the amount indicated on the wrench.
- 4. Always finalize tightening with a torque wrench. NEVER tighten the fastener with a ratchet or impact wrench and then "check" the torque with a torque wrench.
- 5. Never double tap the torque wrench. This action will cause the torque wrench to make the torque on the bolt more than what is set. If you need to check the setting, release all pressure on the torque wrench and slowly apply a steady force until a click is felt.
- 6. After the tightening is complete return the torque wrench to its lowest setting. If the torque wrench is left in a high setting the spring will become stressed and the torque wrench will be come inaccurate over time.
- 7. The torque wrench should not be used to break fasteners loose. This could cause the torque wrench to loose calibration.

## 2.6 Bolting

Bolts used with the VRC-2 compressor have been selected based on Arrow's strength, sealing and locking requirements. Proper bolting must be used and tightened to the values found listed in Table 2.10 "Fastener Tightening Values". This information provides assistance in the identification of bolts used in the Arrow VRC-2 compressor.

If there are questions about replacing bolts or bolting question, please contact your packager or Arrow. Arrow supplied replacement bolting is recommend.

## 2.7 Safety Plates and Information

## CAUTION

SEVERE INJURY AND PROPERTY DAMAGE
CAN OCCUR IF COMPRESSOR IS NOT
COMPLETELY VENTED BEFORE LOOSENING
SCREWS, FLANGES, HEADS, VALVES, VALVE
COVERS OR PACKING. REFER TO THE ARROW
VRC-2 COMPRESSOR OPERATIONS AND
MAINTENANCE MANUAL BEFORE ANY REPAIR
OR MAINTENANCE IS STARTED.

## CAUTION

SUCTION AND DISCHARGE VALVES MUST BE INSTALLED CORRECTLY AND IN THEIR PROPER LOCATION OR SEVERE PERSONAL INJURY AND PROPERTY DAMAGE CAN OCCUR. REFER TO THE VRC-2 COMPRESSOR OPERATIONS AND MAINTENANCE MANUAL FOR PROPER VALVE INSTALLATION INSTRUCTIONS.

## CAUTION

NOISE GENERATED BY THE VRC-2
COMPRESSOR CAN CAUSE HEARING INJURY.
ARROW RECOMMENDS WEARING THE
PROPER HEARING PROTECTION WHEN THE
COMPRESSOR IS RUNNING.

## CAUTION

HOT GAS TEMPERATURES FROM CYLINDER
AREA AS WELL AS HIGH FRICTION AREAS
OF THE UNIT CAN CAUSE BURNS. WEAR THE
PROPER INSULATED CLOTHING WHEN AROUND
THE COMPRESSOR. SHUT DOWN THE UNIT AND
ALLOW FOR COOLING BEFORE PERFORMING ANY
MAINTENANCE TO THESE AREAS.

## 2.8 Special Tools

## 2.8.1 Recommend Special Tools

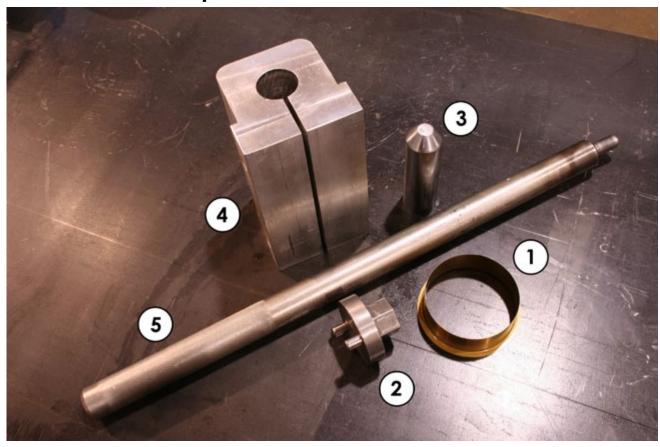


Figure 2.1 - VRC-2 Compressor - Recommended Special Tools

RECC	RECOMMENDED SPECIAL TOOLS			
NUMBER	PART NUMBER	DESCRIPTION	QTY	
1	VRC29482	TOOL, OIL SEAL ENTERING SLEEVE	1	
2	VRC29490	TOOL, PISTON NUT ADAPTOR	1	
3	VRC29492	TOOL, PISTON ROD ENTERING SLEEVE	1	
4	VRC29494	TOOL, PISTON ROD CLAMP	1	
5	VRC29499	TOOL, PISTON JAM NUT BAR	1	

## 2.8.2 Optional Special Tools



Figure 2.2 - VRC-2 Compressor - Optional Special Tools

OPTIO	OPTIONAL SPECIAL TOOLS				
NUMBER	PART NUMBER	DESCRIPTION	QTY		
1	VRC29480	TOOL, HAND PRIMING PUMP	1		
2	VRC29463*	TOOL, VALVE INSTALLATION, 2.25" - 4.0" CYLS.	1		
2	VRC29464*	TOOL, VALVE INSTALLATION, 4.5" - 8.0" CYLS.	1		
3	VRC29410	CRANKSHAFT LIFTING EYE	1		
* The specific size Valve Installation tool to be used will be determined by cylinder size.					

## **COMPRESSOR START UP**

## 3.1 Maximum Allowable Working Pressure

All Arrow VRC-2 compressor cylinders have a Maximum Allowable Working Pressure (MAWP). This MAWP is stamped on every name plate.

Arrow cylinders are tested to a hydrostatic test pressure of  $1 \frac{1}{2}$  times the MAWP.

 CAUTION: Operating conditions must NOT exceed the cylinder Maximum Allowable Working Pressure (MAWP).

#### API SPEC 11P\* (paragraph 1.10.5) - RDP

Rated Discharge Pressure (RDP) is defined as the highest pressure required to meet the conditions specified by the purchaser for the intended service. Arrow Cylinder Data Sheets list the RDP (Rated Discharge Pressure), which is the recommended continuous pressure the equipment should be designed to operate. RDP is 90% of the MAWP (Maximum Allowable Working Pressure).

## 3.2 Relief Valve Settings

It is the responsibility of the packager to provide relief valves for every stage of the compression operation in compliance with API SPEC 11P\*, Paragraph 7.20.3.

## 3.3 Filling The Main Oil System Sump

Filling the sump of the main oil system must be done prior to start up.

- 1. Remove breather and fill compressor sump through side cover (side cover with the breather hole).
- 2. Check sight glass on accessory end. Oil level at start up should be in the middle of the sight glass. Be careful NOT TO OVER FILL THE SUMP. The crankshaft will dip into the oil, churn it, and make it difficult to pump and control the proper level of oil if sump is over filled.

It may be necessary to add additional oil to bring the level of oil to the middle of the sight glass if you are starting with a dry or new filter.

- NOTE: After the compressor is running, it may be necessary to add oil to bring up the oil level to one-half (1/2) the height of the sight glass; however, it must never exceed two-thirds (2/3) height, while the compressor is running during normal operations.
- 3. When the sump is filled to the proper level, replace and tighten up the breather by hand. Tightening by hand will help when removing the breather at a later date.

#### \* API SPEC 11 has been replaced by ISO 13631.

## 3.4 Cylinder Lubricator Pump Adjustment At Start Up

To be sure that the cylinder lube pump system is set to the correct break-in rate, refer to the "cylinder lubricator plate" located on the side of the force feed lube reservoir or refer to the "Divider Block Selection and Cycle Time" Table 6.2. An indicator pin on the divider block shows the rate at which the block is cycling.

To make adjustments to the rate, screw DOWN the feed regulator adjustment to DECREASE the rate, screw UP the feed regulator adjustment to INCREASE the rate. Adjust screw up to twice the normal rate to set the break in rate.

Run at this setting for 200 hours of operation. The lubricator adjustment may then be reduced (screw DOWN the feed regulator adjustment) to the normal operating rate.

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 NOTE: Remember this simple rule when making adjustments, UP IS UP (screw up to increase rate) and DOWN IS DOWN (Screw down to decrease rate).

## 3.5 VRC-2 Compressor Start Up Check List

COMPRESSOR GENERAL INFORMATION				
Compressor Model		Serial No.		
Cylinder Serial No.				
Driver		Rated Spe	ed	
Packager		Packager Unit No.		
Date Packager Shipped		Start Up D	ate	
Serviceman		Customer		
Location		Field Conto	act	
Field Telephone No.		Unit Location	on	
Frame Oil - Make		Grade		
Cylinder Oil - Make		Grade		
NOTES / COMMENTS:				

		1
	Drive End	
Throw #2		Throw #1
	Accessory End	

## 3.5.1 Pre-Start Up Check List

Compressor Model	Serial No.		
		YES	NO
1. Are the correct Arrow parts book, technical manual, special tools, and spares available?			
2. Have the design limitations for the compressor model such as rod load, maximum and minimum speed, discharge temperature been checked?			
3. Have the design operating conditions been determined?			

Pressure, PSIG (kPa): Suction	Discharge
Temperature, °F (°C): Suction	Discharge
Maximum RPM	Minimum RPM

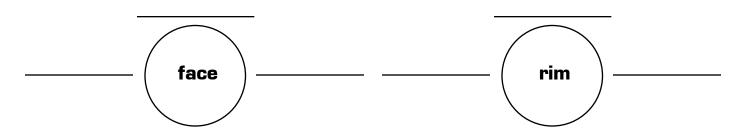
	YES	NO
4. Soft Foot Check: Have the compressor feet and crosshead guide supports been shimmed so that the machine is not twisted or bent?		
5. Have bottom crosshead clearances on all corners been checked? Max. $0.0015$ " (0.0381 mm) feeler inserted to $1/2$ " (12.7 mm) Max. depth.		

6. Record top crosshead minimum feeler clearance below:

THROW No. 1	2
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	YES	NO
7. Have the piping and supports been checked to be sure they do not bend or stress compressor?		
8. Have the coupling bolt torque values been rechecked?		
9. Has the compressor to driver alignment been checked? Maximum allowable 0.005" (0.127mm) TIR		

10. Record coupling dial indicator readings in inches at the 3, 6, 9, 12 o'clock positions on the lines provided.



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	YES	NO
11. Has the crankshaft end-play clearance been checked?		
Record frame end-play clearance here:	inche (mm)	:s
	YES	NO
12. Have piston end clearances been checked with feeler gauges?		
THROW No.	1	2
HE		
CE		
	YES	NO
13. Has the frame been filled with oil to the proper level?		
14. Has proper oil been added if extreme ambient conditions exist or special gases are compressed?		
15. Is the compressor frame oil level control working and set at the proper level?		
16. Is the frame oil supply isolation valve open?		
17. Does the frame low level shutdown work?		
18. Has the recommended oil filter element been installed?		
19. Is the oil filter element and all lube oil piping primed with oil?		
20. Is the low oil pressure shutdown installed and tubed correctly to the down-stream side of the oil filter?		
21. Does the low oil pressure shutdown work?		
22. Does unit have an oil cooler? Maximum compressor inlet oil temperature is not to exceed 250°F (121°C).		
23. Is the frame oil temperature shutdown installed, set and working?		
24. If oil is cooled, is there a temperature control valve?		
25. Is the frame breather element clean?		
26. Is the cylinder lubricator box filled with oil?		

	YES	NO
27. Is the cylinder lubricator system primed?		
28. Is the cylinder lubrication system no flow shutdown installed and working?		
29. Is the cylinder lubrication overpressure indicator installed? Check rupture disc for color. Aluminum is standard @ 2350 psi.		
30. Has the lubricator instruction plate or Divider Block Selection and Cycle Time (Table 6.2) been checked for proper lube feed rate?		
31. Is there a working vibration shutdown mounted on the compressor?		
32. Are the primary and secondary packing vents and the distance piece vents open, and when necessary, tubed off of the skid or out of the building?		
33. Is there some method of suction pressure control?		
34. Are the suction pressure, inter stage pressure and discharge pressure shutdowns set and working?		
35. Are the safety relief valves installed and set to protect cylinders and piping for each stage of compression?		
36. Are the gas discharge temperature shutdowns installed, set and working?		
37. Have the gas suction lines been blown out to remove water, slag, dirt, etc?		
38. Have temporary screens been installed at cylinder suction?		
39. Has the machine been rolled with the starter to make sure it is free? The oil pressure should come up noticeably while rolling on the starter.		
40. For engine driven units, has the machine been rolled with the starter to make sure it is free? The oil pressure should come up noticeably while rolling on the starter.		
41. Does the driver rotation match the compressor rotation?		
42. For machines compressing a combustible gas, have the piping and compressor been purged to remove all air?		
43. Have the start-up instructions for other equipment on the package been followed?		
44. Has the Packager's representative done the required review of the Packager's Start Up and Operating Instructions for the unit with the unit operator?		

#### 3.5.2 After Start Up Check List

Compressor Model	Serial No.		
		YES	NO
1. Did the oil pressure come up immediately?			
2. Any strange noises or shaking in the compressor or	piping?		
3. Is low oil pressure shutdown set at 25 PSIG?			
4. Are the high discharge gas temperature shutdowns set at approximately 10% above normal discharge temperature? 325°F (163°C) to a maximum of 350°F (177°C).			
5. Is the divider block cycle indicator pin moving, and have you set lubricator for proper break-in flow rate?			
6. Are there any oil leaks? If so, where?			
7. Are the scrubber dumps and high level shutdowns working?			
8. Are the scrubbers removing all liquids from the gas?			
How often do the scrubbers dump?			min
9. Are there sands or oxides in the gas?			
10. Is the overspeed shutdown set?			
11. Are rod packing sealing properly?			
12. Have all safety functions been tested to ensure shutdown of unit upon malfunction?			

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## COMPRESSOR MAINTENANCE

#### 4.1 General Information

The main components of the frame assembly are: the frame, crosshead guides, crankshaft and bearings, connecting rods, chain drive system and the crossheads. Drilled oil passages deliver lubrication to the running gear.

A top cover and crosshead guide side covers provide ample accessibility for inspecting and removing internal components of the VRC-2 compressor.

Cleanliness is very important. Use lint-free cloths to wipe clean the frame and all the working parts during any maintenance on the compressor. It is important to keep the frame covered when the access panels are removed during maintenance. Covering the frame will help keep dust and dirt out. If any components have been removed, it is important that you protect these parts from anything that might damage the running surfaces.

Whenever the compressor has been dismantled, gaskets at non-pressure positions are to be inspected before reusing. If a gasket is found to be damaged or compromised it MUST be replaced before restarting the compressor. Gaskets and O-rings at pressure locations in the compressor should be replaced. When replacing the gaskets, always apply anti-seize lubrication to both sides of the gasket for easy removal at a later time.

When conducting major overhauls on the compressor, drain and flush the compressor frame.

CAUTION: To prevent personal injury be sure that the
compressor crankshaft cannot be turned by the driver or
compressor cylinder gas pressure during maintenance or
repair. On engine driven compressors, lock the fly-wheel.
On electric motor-driven compressors, the driver switch gear
must be locked out during maintenance or repair.

Before starting any maintenance or repairing any of the compressor parts, relieve all pressure from the compressor cylinders. See the packager's instructions for complete venting of the system.

 CAUTION: When maintenance is complete, air must be totally eliminated from the entire system before operation. This will avoid a potentially explosive air/gas mixture from occurring.

## 4.2 Frame Assembly

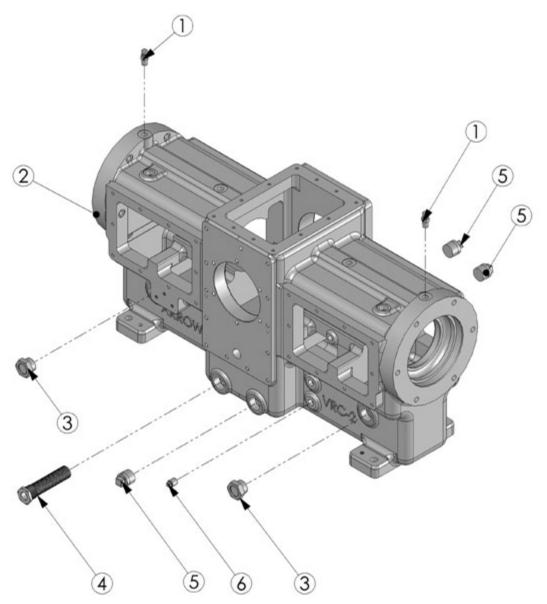


Figure 4.1 - VRC-2 Compressor - Frame

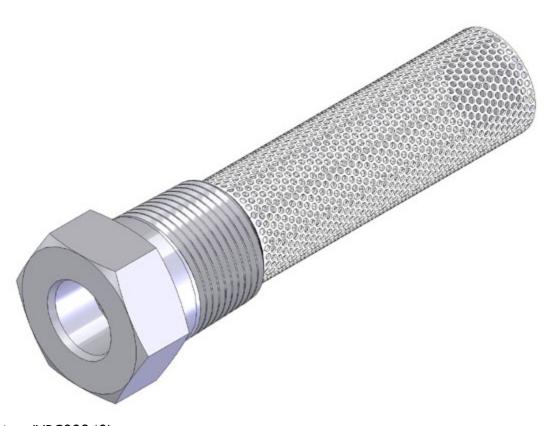
FRAME, OIL STRAINER, SITE GLASS AND PLUG ASSEMBLY				
NUMBER	PART NUMBER	DESCRIPTION	QTY	
1	VRC28888	CAP, VENT	2	
2	VRC21020	FRAME TWO-THROW VRC-2 COMPRESSOR	1	
3	VRC21400	SIGHT GLASS, FRAME OIL LEVEL	2	
4	VRC28341	STRAINER, FRAME OIL (1" NPT)	1	
5	VRC21519	PLUG, PIPE, 1" NPT	3	
6	VRC21509	PLUG, PIPE, 3/8" NPT	1	

## 4.2.1 Frame Assembly - Cleaning and Inspecting the Frame

- 1. Inspect the frame making sure it is free from chips and burrs.
- 2. Use a cleaning solvent to flush out debris and blow air through the oil passages to make sure all debris has been removed.
- 3. Clean the frame making sure the area is free from dirt and metal shavings. Dirt or metal shavings can cause lock up and serious damage to the compressor.
- 4. Inspect the frame for imperfections and defects.

## 4.3 Oil Strainer Installation

The oil strainer (VRC28340) is located on the accessory side of the frame below the oil level.



Oil Strainer (VRC28340)

#### Installation

- 1. Coat the threads of the oil strainer with a Teflon sealant.
- 2. Slide the oil strainer through the hole just below and to the left of the crankshaft on the accessory side of the frame.
- 3. Tighten with wrench.
  - **NOTE:** The oil strainer should be removed and cleaned using the proper solvents whenever oil is changed.



## 4.4 Sight Glass Installation

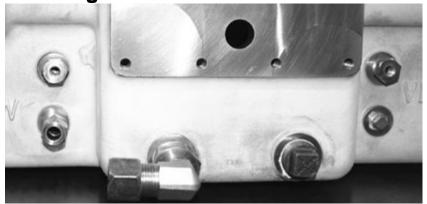
The sight glasses (VRC21400) are located on the accessory side at both ends of the frame. The sight glass allows the operator to see the oil level within the compressor. Oil level should be in the center of the sight glass.

#### Installation

- 1. Coat the threads of the sight glass with a Teflon sealant.
- 2. Insert the sight glass, one at each end of the frame, and tighten with wrench.

Sight Glass (VRC21400)

## 4.5 Plug Installation





VRC-2 Frame Plugs (VRC21519 and VRC21509)

There are five plugs to be mounted on the frame. Three (3) 1" plugs (VRC21519) and two (2) 3/8" plugs (VRC21509). Two of the three 1" plugs (VRC21519) are both installed on the drive side of the frame. The remaining 1" plug (VRC21519) and the two 3/8" plugs (VRC21509) are installed on the accessory side.

#### Installation

- 1. Coat the threads of the plugs with a Teflon sealant.
- 2. Insert the plugs in the frame and tighten with wrench.

## 4.6 Crankshaft Parts

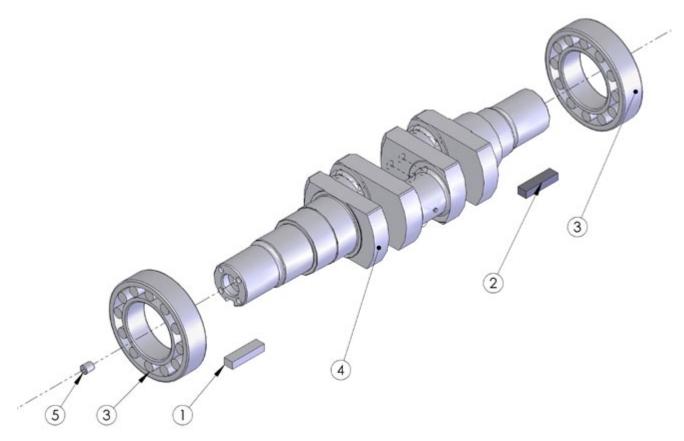


Figure 4.2 - Crankshaft Assembly Exploded View

FRAME - CRANKSHAFT				
NUMBER	PART NUMBER	DESCRIPTION	QTY	
	VRC21101A	CRANKSHAFT, VRC-2, ASSEMBLY W/MAIN BRGS. (2) (VRC21101)	1	
1	VRC21106	KEY, CRANKSHAFT, ACCESSORY-END	1	
2	VRC21107	KEY, CRANKSHAFT, DRIVE-END	1	
3	VRC21101	BEARING, CRANKSHAFT MAIN	2	
4	VRC21100	CRANKSHAFT, VRC-2 COMPRESSOR	1	
5	VRC21109	PLUG, CRANKSHAFT 1/4" NPT	1	

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#### 4.6.1 Crankshaft Removal

#### **Removing Crankshaft Procedures**

- 1. Remove belt guard.
- 2. Loosen and remove serpentine belt.
- 3. Remove lube pump drive belt sheave.
- 4. Loosen idler chain and oil pump lines as well as relief valves.
- 5. Remove lines connected to the lubrication system.
- 6. Remove the 6 ports manifold.
- 7. Remove fitting for the oil slinger tube.
- 8. Remove oil slinger tube.
- 9. Remove left and right support bolts for lubrication system.
- 10. Remove housing making sure to release the chain from the crankshaft sprocket, then slowly pull the housing out.
- 11. Remove crankshaft drive sprocket.
- 12. Remove oil slinger.
- 13. Remove frame top cover.
- 14. Move the crosshead and connecting rod(s) to their full outer position.
- 15. Disconnect the connecting Rods both heavy and light (see section 4.7.1 "Removing the Crosshead and Connecting Rod").
- 16. Remove bearing retainer, drive side of the frame.
- 17. Remove bearing retainer on the accessory side of the frame.
- 18. Pull crankshaft with bearings from accessory end of frame.

## 4.6.2 Crankshaft - Chain Sprocket Removal

Examine the sprocket carefully for signs of wear. If the chain sprocket has been in operation for five (5) years or more, it may be best to replace it.

- 1. Remove the two (2) set screws from the crankshaft drive sprocket (VRC28248).
- 2. Remove the sprocket from the crankshaft.

### 4.6.3 Chain Sprocket Installation

- 1. Insert the woodruff key (VRC28236).
- 2. Slip the sprocket onto the crankshaft making sure the key way is properly aligned.
- 3. Tighten the two (2) set screws being careful not to break the screws when tightening.

### 4.6.4 Spherical Roller Bearings Removal and Installation

The spherical roller bearings are heated prior to installation on the crankshaft. Arrow recommends purchasing a new crankshaft assembly with spherical roller bearings (VRC21101A) installed.

• **IMPORTANT**: This is a difficult procedure and may result in damage to the crankshaft. Arrow recommends using a professional repair facility to perform this procedure.

Arrow offers crankshaft assemblies with spherical roller bearings (VRC21101A) installed and recommends the purchase of the crankshaft assemblies rather than trying to repair or replace the bearings yourself.

### 4.6.5 Crankshaft Preparation

- 1. Clean crankshaft making sure all surfaces are free from dirt and metal shavings.
- 2. Use a cleaning solvent to flush out debris and blow air through the oil passages to make sure all debris has been removed.
- 3. Inspect the crankshaft main bearings making sure they are clean and free from metal chips and shavings. Dirt or metal shavings can cause lock up and serious damage to the compressor.
- 4. Inspect crankshaft for imperfections and defects.

#### 4.6.6 Crankshaft Reassembly and Installation

- 1. Move connecting rods to their full outer position. Insert the crankshaft horizontally into the frame.
- 2. Install the crankshaft by hand horizontally. Insert the accessory end of the crankshaft into the frame through the drive side until the accessory end of the crankshaft appears on the accessory side of the frame. The crankshaft can be installed from either side.
- 3. Mount the accessory side bearing retainer on the accessory side of the frame using six (6) bearing retainer screws.
- 4. On the drive side of the frame, before securely mounting the drive side bearing retainer, check for crankshaft end-play (see procedures below in section 4.6.6.1 "Crankshaft End-Play Check Procedures").

#### 4.6.6.1 Crankshaft End-Play Check Procedures

- A. Mount drive side bearing retainer using six (6) bearing retainer screws.
- B. Using the dial indicator, check end-play.
- C. After checking the reading from the dial indicator, add or remove shims (VRC21119) as needed to achieve end-play of .004" or .009".
- D. Insert shims.
- E. When correct end-play is achieved, mount the O-ring (VRC21114) and seal (VRC28024) to the drive-end bearing retainer and mount the bearing retainer assembly using the special Oil Seal Entering Sleeve tool (VRC29482) to the drive side of the frame with six (6) bearing retainer screws. (See section 6.3.7 "Crankshaft Oil Seal Installation")
- F. Tighten drive-end bearing retainer and recheck end-play with dial indicator.

## 4.6.6 Crankshaft Reassembly and Installation, continued...

- 5. Reinstall crankshaft seal retainers and top cover.
- 6. Reconnect the connecting rods and crossheads.

  (See section 4.7.4 "Single Connecting Rod and Crosshead Installation and Assembly").
- Reinstall the chain drive system.
   (See section 6.3.1 "Frame Lubrication System (Chain Drive) Installation").
- 8. Install new cover gaskets. It is good to examine the top cover gasket to see if there is any wear or compromise to the gasket. If gaskets are not in good usable condition, the installation of new gaskets should be done.
  - NOTE: It is a good idea to apply anti-sieze to gaskets prior to installation. This will make the gaskets easier to remove if maintenance or replacing gaskets is necessary.
- 9. Reinstall remaining frame covers.

## 4.7 Crosshead and Connecting Rod



Figure 4.3- Crosshead and Single Heavy Connecting Rod Assembly



Figure 4.4- Crosshead and Double Light Connecting Rod Assembly

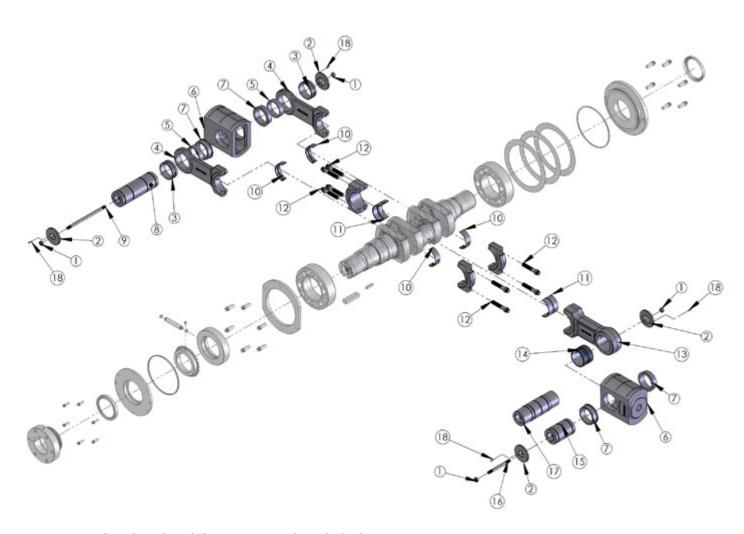


Figure 4.5 - Crosshead and Connecting Rod Exploded View

## FRAME - SINGLE AND DOUBLE CONNECTING ROD ASSEMBLY

NO.	PART NUMBER	DESCRIPTION	QTY
1	VRC22119	NUT, CROSSHEAD PIN RETAINER STUD	4
2	RC22200	CAP, RETAINER, CROSSHEAD PIN FITS ALL PINS	4
3	VRC21222	BUSHING, CONNECTING ROD, LIGHT (Crosshead Pin) (Included w/ Rod)	2
4	VRC21220A	ROD, CONNECTING, LIGHT, ASSEMBLY - (DOUBLE)	2
5	VRC22420	SPACER, PIN, CROSSHEAD, LONG	2
6	VRC22000A	CROSSHEAD, VRC-2 COMPRESSOR (ASSEMBLY)	2
7	VRC22002	BUSHING, CROSSHEAD VRC-2	4
8	VRC22120	PIN, CROSSHEAD, LONG (FOR LIGHT RODS)	1
9	VRC22128	STUD, CROSSHEAD PIN RETAINER, LONG LT. RODS	1
10	VRC21221	BEARING, CONNECTING ROD, LIGHT (PAIR)	2
11	VRC21211	BEARING, CONNECTING ROD HEAVY (PAIR)	2
12	VRC21217	SCREW, CONNECTING ROD CAP (INCLUDED WITH ROD)	8
13	VRC21210A	ROD, CONNECTING, HEAVY, ASSEMBLY - (SINGLE)	1
14	VRC21212	BUSHING, CONNECTING ROD, HEAVY (Crosshead Pin) (Included w/ Rod)	1
15	VRC22110	PIN, CROSSHEAD, SHORT (HEAVY ROD) (WITHOUT WEIGHTS)	1
16	VRC22118	STUD, CROSSHEAD PIN RETAINER, SHORT (HEAVY ROD)	1
17	VRC22130	PIN, CROSSHEAD, LONG BALANCE HVY. RODS WITH WTS *	1
18	VRC22206	PIN, ROLL, CROSSHEAD CAP 0.125" DIA X 0.5" LG	4
	VRC22301	WEIGHT, CROSSHEAD PIN 3.29 LBS Total Weight For Two Is 6.58 Lbs **	2
	VRC22303	WEIGHT, CROSSHEAD PIN 2.7 LBS Total Weight For Two Is 5.4 Lbs **	2
	VRC22304	WEIGHT, CROSSHEAD PIN 1.07 LBS Total Weight For Two Is 2.14 Lbs **	2

<sup>\*</sup> This pin will be used in place of pin (VRC22110) if weights are required to balance opposing throws.

<sup>\*\*</sup> Weights to be determined by cylinder configuration. (Weights are not shown)

### 4.7.1 Removing The Crosshead and Connecting Rod

- 1. Remove top cover from frame and the side covers from the crosshead guides.
- 2. Move the crosshead to its inner dead center position (back of throw) and back off the jam nut with an open end wrench.
- 3. Take off the outer-end head.
  - **CAUTION:** Before removing the cylinder head, back off all cap screws to 1/8 inches (3mm). Make sure that the head is loose and the cylinder has been properly vented and all pressure is relieved.

Please be sure to read and follow the safety information.

- 4. Use the Piston Nut Adapter tool (VRC29490) to unscrew the piston rod from the crosshead. (The two dowels on the adapter fit in the holes in the piston nut.)
- 5. After the piston rod has been unscrewed from the crosshead, unscrew the jam nut off of the piston rod. Push the rod end forward to the edge of the packing to provide clearance and allow you to remove the crosshead.
- 6. Remove nuts from crosshead pin retainer studs and remove the retainer caps.
- 7. Remove any weight(s) (if applicable).
- 8. Move the crosshead to its outer dead center position, and remove the lock nut, retainer caps, retainer studs and then remove the crosshead pin from the crosshead.
- 9. Rotate the crankshaft until the connecting rod is separated from the crosshead.
  - **NOTE:** Make sure the connecting rod does not drop and damage the crosshead guide surface.
- 10. Roll crosshead out from the crosshead guide.
- 11. Visually inspect the surface of the crosshead guide and crosshead for any grooves, scuffing or markings on the surface. Since both are being lubricated under pressure during compressor operations, there should be no appreciable wear on either the crosshead guide or crosshead.
- 12. Remove the connecting rod cap screws.
- 13. Remove connecting rods.
  - **NOTE:** When removing the connecting rod(s), be sure to protect the crank pins from being nicked or scratched.

## 4.7.2 Crank Pin Bearing and Connecting Rod Bushing

Check crosshead pin to crosshead bushing clearance (see Table 2.4 "Clearances"). Visually inspect surfaces for wear. If wear is detected, replace the pin and or bushings.

You will need a press to install new bushings. Any significant wear of the babbitt would expose the bronze underneath. This is an indication that the bushings needs to be replaced.

The bushing can be installed in the crosshead by cooling the bushing in a dry ice, alcohol solution or liquid nitrogen. The bushing needs to be left in the solution long enough to reach the same temperature as the solution, which is about  $-120^{\circ}F$  ( $-84^{\circ}C$ ).

Check crosshead pin to bushing clearance to determine amount of wear on the connecting rod bushing. Any wear on the pin can be observed by visual inspection. Replace the pin if necessary. If a replacement bushing is needed, contact your Arrow Engine representative for a replacement part.

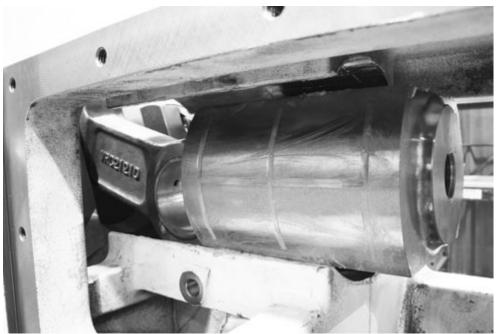
- CAUTION: When cooling the bushing in dry ice DO NOT TOUCH THE COLD SURFACE WITH BARE HANDS! USE PROPERLY INSULATED GLOVES TO PREVENT INJURY.
- NOTE: It is important that both bushing and crosshead is cleaned to prevent any dirt or debris from accumulating between the bushing and the crosshead.

#### 4.7.3 Single Connecting Rod and Crosshead Preparation

- **NOTE**: Make sure the crossheads are returned to their original throw location after installation is complete.
- 1. Clean crosshead guide making sure the area is free from dirt and metal shavings.
- 2. Clean connecting rods (VRC21210A).
- Clean the crossheads (VRC22000A). Inspect the bushing and the threads making sure both are clean and free from metal chips and shavings. Dirt or metal shavings can cause lock up and serious damage to the compressor.
- 4. Clean and inspect crosshead pin.

#### 4.7.4 Single Connecting Rod and Crosshead Assembly and Installation

1. Apply a layer of white grease (Lubriplate or equivalent) on both the top and bottom of the crosshead surface. Lubricate the top and bottom of the crosshead guides.



2. Using both hands, position the crosshead on its side with the flat side resting on the bottom of the guide (See picture 1 for illustration). Once inside the guide the crosshead can be rolled upright.

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degrees so that it

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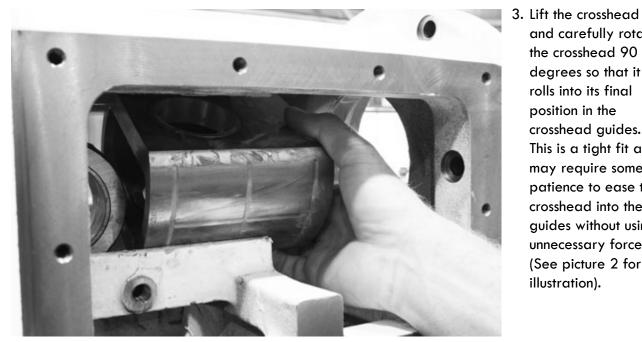
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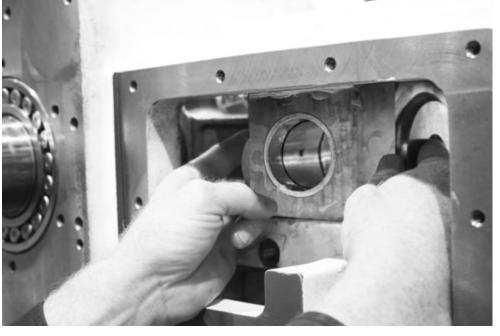
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Picture 2 Crosshead "rolling into" final position

• IMPORTANT: If the crosshead becomes tight or wedged, do not try to force it in the guides. Forcing the crosshead in the guides from a cocked or wedged position will damage the crosshead. Instead, ease the crosshead out and try installing it again.



- crosshead pin. This keeps the retainer caps from rotating. Using a brass hammer, gently striking the roll pin in the proper seating position.
  - 6. Generously lubricate the crosshead pin (VRC22110 or VRC22130) and insert it carefully working the pin into the hole of the crosshead. Make sure the crosshead pin moves freely within the crosshead.

4. Slide the crosshead into position so that

the hole in the cross-

head is aligned with the hole of the con-

necting rod. Using

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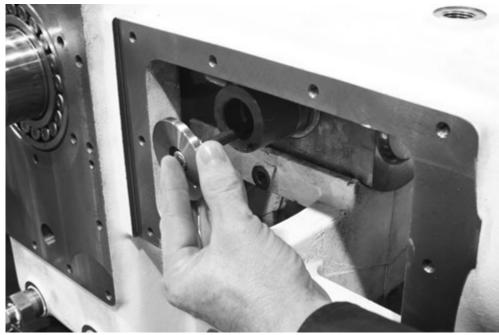
the ends of the

5. Insert roll pins

• NOTE: Either crosshead pin VRC22110 or VRC22130 will be used depending on whether weights are required or not.







7. Install the retainer caps, through bolt stud and locknuts.
Torque the locknuts to 25 ftlbs.



Retainer Caps (VRC22200) aligned with the roll pin (VRC22206)

At this point, you must check crosshead clearance before proceeding any further. Check the Table 2.4 "Clearances" for crosshead guide to crosshead clearance values.

## 4.7.4.1 Checking Crosshead Clearance

Before continuing with connecting rod and crosshead installation you must first check crosshead clearance.

Crosshead guide to crosshead clearance is to be checked by inserting a standard 0.500" (12.7 mm) wide feeler stock from one side edge of the crosshead across to the opposite side. This is to be done at both ends. The crosshead guide to top clearance is to be 0.007" (0.1778 mm) to 0.011" (0.2794 mm).

The bottom clearance is to be checked with 0.0015" (0.0381 mm) feller stock at the four (4) corners. If the feeler can be inserted more than 0.500" (12.7 mm), the assembly is not acceptable (**See Table 2.4 "Clearances"**) for crosshead clearance values.

After crosshead clearance check has been complete, you may continue with the assembling and installing of the connecting rod and crosshead procedure.

(Continue with Single Connecting Rod and Crosshead Installation)

- 8. Install any weights as needed. The amount of weight will depend on the configuration of the compressor cylinders (consult factory).
- 9. Apply anti-seize lubricant to the gaskets before installing the side covers. Applying the antiseize lubricant to the gaskets will make them easier to remove.
- 10. Check movement of the installed parts making sure the pin and cap assembly rotates freely in the crosshead hole.
- 11. Spin crankshaft to make sure all parts move freely with no obstructions.
- 12. Replace the crosshead guide side covers and tighten all screws.

## 4.8 Double Connecting Rod and Crosshead

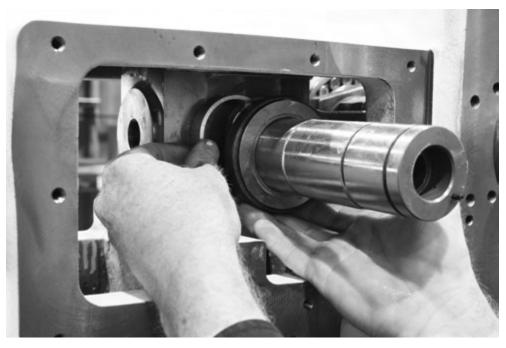
## 4.8.1 Double Connecting Rod and Crosshead Preparation

- 1. Clean crosshead guides making sure the area is free from dirt and metal shavings.
- 2. Clean connecting rods (VRC21220A) and crosshead pin (VRC22120).
- 3. Clean the crossheads. Also inspect the bushing and threads making sure both are clean and free from metal chips and shavings. Dirt or metal shavings can cause lock up and serious damage to the compressor.

## 4.8.2 Double Connecting Rod and Crosshead Assembly and Installation

- 1. Apply a layer of white grease (Lubricate or equivalent) on both the bottom and the top of the crosshead surfaces. Also lubricate the top and bottom crosshead guides.
- 2. Rotate crankshaft so that the connecting rod is out of the way and toward the center of the frame.
- 3. Using both hands position the crosshead on its side with the flat side resting on the bottom of the guide.

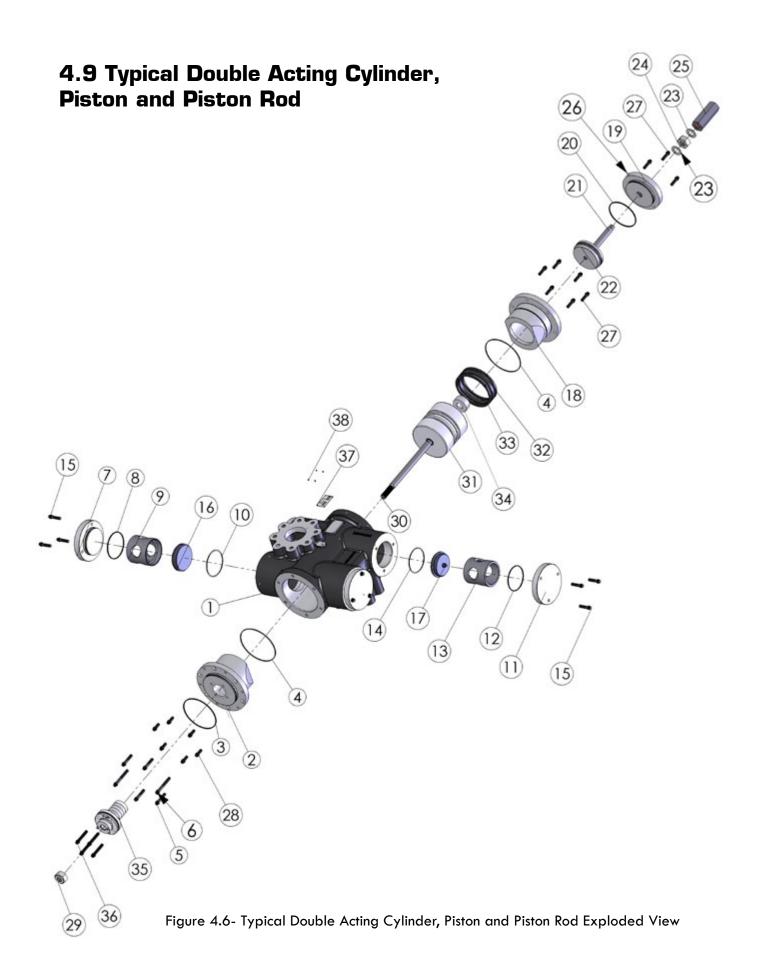
- 4. Lift the crosshead and carefully rotate the crosshead 90 degrees so that it rolls into its final position in the crosshead guides. This is a tight fit and may require some patience to ease the crosshead into the guides without using unnecessary force. (See pictures 1 and 2 in section 4.7.4)
  - IMPORTANT: If the crosshead becomes tight or becomes wedged, do not try to force it in the guides. Forcing the crosshead in the guides from a cocked position will damage the crosshead. Instead, ease the crosshead out and try installing it again.
- 5. Rotate crankshaft until the two connecting rods are at the end of their throw.
- 6. Insert roll pins (VRC22206) into the ends of the crosshead pin. This keeps the retainer cap from rotating. Gently hammer the roll pins into position. Use a brass hammer to carefully strike each of the roll pins until the pins are properly seated.



7. Slide the crosshead into position so that the hole in the crosshead is aligned with the holes of each of the two connecting rods. Using your hands, lift each of the connecting rods so that the hole of the connecting rods line up with the hole in the crosshead. Do this for each connecting rod.

- 8. Generously lubricate the crosshead pin.
- 9. Insert the crosshead pin carefully working the pin first into the hole in the connecting rod, then into a spacer (VRC22420), then into the hole in the crosshead, then into another spacer. Finally, fit the crosshead pin through the hole in the second connecting rod. Make sure the crosshead pin moves freely within the crosshead.
  - NOTE: Spacers are not the same as the weights installed on the single rod side. Weights are used only on the single rod side when it is necessary to balance out a heavier piston on the opposite throw. These are aluminum spacers and are not intended to add weight, but only to fill what would otherwise be a gap between the connecting rod and crosshead.

- 10. Install crosshead pin stud.
- 11. Install crosshead pin caps (VRC22200) with crosshead pin stud (VRC22128) and nylon insert lock nuts (VRC22119). Align the hole in the caps with the roll pin at both ends of the crosshead pin.
- 12. Using two wrenches at both ends of the crosshead pin retainer stud, tighten the lock nuts to 25 ftlbs.
- 13. Check movement of the installed parts making sure the pin and cap assembly rotates freely in the crosshead hole.
- 14. Spin crankshaft to make sure all parts move freely with no obstructions.



TYPICAL CYLINDER , PISTON AND PISTON ROD				
No.	PART NUMBER*	DESCRIPTION	QTY.	
1	VRC2XXXX	CYLINDER X.X INCH, DIAMETER	1	
2	VRC2XXXX	HEAD, CRANK END, X.X INCH CYLINDER	1	
3	VRC2XXXX	O-RING, HEAD, CRANK-END TO FRAME	1	
4	VRC2XXXX	O-RING, HEAD, CRANK & OUTER END, X.X INCH CYLINDER BORE	2	
5	VRC2XXXX	SCREW, CYLINDER TO FRAME, SHORT	4	
6	VRC2XXXX	SCREW, HEAD, CRANK-END LONG	2	
7	VRC2XXXX	COVER, VALVE, SUCTION, X.X - X.X INCH CYLINDER	2	
8	VRC2XXXX	O-RING, COVER, SUCTION VALVE, X.X - X.X INCH CYLINDER	2	
9	VRC2XXXX	RETAINER, VALVE, SUCTION, X.X INCH CYLINDER	2	
10	VRC2XXXX	GASKET, SUCTION VALVE SEAT, X.X - X.X INCH CYLINDER	2	
11	VRC2XXXX	OVER, VALVE, DISCHARGE, X.X - X.X INCH CYLINDER	2	
12	VRC2XXXX	O-RING, COVER, DISCHARGE VALVE, X.X - X.X INCH CYLINDER	2	
13	VRC2XXXX	RETAINER, VALVE, DISCHARGE, X.X" CYLINDER	2	
14	VRC2XXXX	GASKET, DISCHARGE VALVE SEAT, X.X - X.X INCH CYLINDER	2	
15	VRC2XXXX	SCREW, VALVE COVER	12	
16	VRC2XXXX	VALVE, SUCTION X.X - X.X INCH CYLINDER MEDIUM **	2	
17	VRC2XXXX	VALVE, DISCHARGE, X.X - X.X INCH CYLINDER MEDIUM **	2	
18	VRC2XXXX	POCKET, OUTER HEAD, X.X INCH VVCP	1	
19	VRC2XXXX	COVER, POCKET, X.X - X.X INCH VVCP	1	
20	VRC2XXXX	O-RING, POCKET COVER, X.X - X.X INCH VVCP	1	
21	VRC2XXXX	PISTON & STEM ASSEMBLY, X.X - X.X INCH VVCP	1	
22	VRC2XXXX	RING, PISTON, X.X - X.X INCH VVCP	1	
23	VRC2XXXX	GASKET, VVCP ADJUSTING STEM COVER	2	
24	VRC2XXXX	NUT, JAM, VVCP ADJUSTING STEM	1	
25	VRC2XXXX	COVER, VVCP ADJUSTING STEM	1	
26	VRC2XXXX	ZERK, GREASE, VVCP	1	
27	VRC2XXXX	SCREW, VVCP POCKET AND COVER	9	
28	VRC2XXXX	SCREW, HEAD, CRANK-END	6	
29	VRC2XXXX	NUT, JAM, PISTON ROD	1	
30	VRC2XXXX	ROD, PISTON, X.X - X.X INCH PISTONS	1	
31	VRC2XXXX	PISTON, X.X INCH DIAMETER CYLINDER	1	
32	VRC2XXXX	RING, X.X INCH PISTON	2/4	
33	VRC2XXXX	BAND, RIDER, X.X INCH PISTON	1	
34	VRC2XXXX	NUT, PISTON	1	
35	VRC2XXXX	CASE, PACKING ASSEMBLY	1	
36	VRC2XXXX	SCREW, PACKING CASE	4	
37	VRC2XXXX	NAMEPLATE, VRC CYLINDER	1	
38	VRC2XXXX	PIN, NAMEPLATE	4	

<sup>\*</sup> The parts and part numbers are specific to each size cylinder and cylinder configuration see the "Arrow VRC-2 Compressor Parts Manual" for the correct part and part number for your particular compressor configuration.

<sup>\*\*</sup> Actual site gas conditions may require "LIGHT" or "HEAVY" valve springs.

## 4.9.1 Cylinder Removal and Disassembly

• **CAUTION**: To prevent serious injury, be sure that the compressor's crankshaft cannot be turned by the driver or compressor cylinder gas pressure during maintenance.

Lock the flywheel on engine-driven compressors. On electric motor-driven compressors, detach the driver from the compressor, the driver switch gear must be locked out during maintenance.

Remember, when performing any type of maintenance to the compressor, make sure that the system is completely vented.

Before removing a cylinder head, back off all screws. Make sure the head is lose and the cylinder is completely vented.

- 1. Remove suction and discharge piping.
  - **NOTE:** It is important that you make sure the unit is purged of gas. Loosen valve covers so that gas can escape.
- 2. After evacuating the gas and pressure from inside the cylinder, remove the VVCP pocket and head (See sections 4.10.8 and 4.10.9).
- 3. Loosen jam nut on piston rod.
- 4. Using the special tool, piston nut adaptor (VRC29490), screw the piston and piston rod assembly out of the crosshead.
- 5. Remove jam nut from piston rod.
- 6. Pull the piston rod assembly out of the cylinder.
- 7. Remove tubing from packing case.
- 8. Remove frame screws from cylinder.
- 9. Separate cylinder from frame using proper lifting device.
  - NOTE: You will need some type of lifting devise to carefully remove and to balance the cylinder during removal from the frame

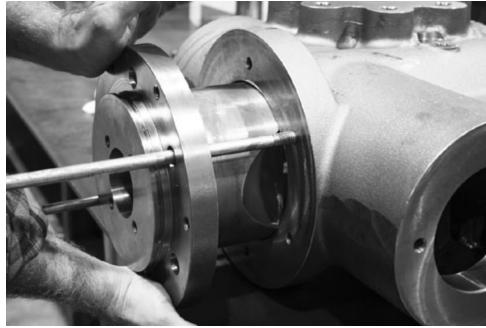
## 4.9.2 Cylinder Assembly and Installation

- 1. Clean crank-end head making sure the crank-end O-ring groove is free of any debris.
- 2. Liberally lubricate crank-end O-ring.



Insert crank-end
O-ring in the O-ring
groove in the crankend head.

 Coat the inside of the cylinder with a liberal amount of lubricant.

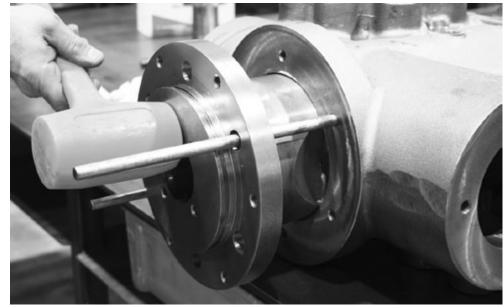


5. Insert the crankend head into the cylinder on the end opposite to the cylinder name plate.

• **NOTE:** Take extreme care when inserting the crank-end head so that the flats of the crank-end head face the valve ports.

To ease installation of the crank-end head to the cylinder, use alignment studs to help guide the crank-end head into the cylinder.

You also may need to use a rubber mallet to help ease the crank-end head in to the cylinder. Gently tap the crank-end head until the head is inserted properly into the cylinder.

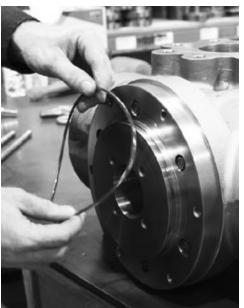


 Once the crank-end head is inserted into the cylinder, remove alignment studs if used.



7. Insert 12 screws
using a 1/2 inch 12
point socket and
torque wrench and
torque to 82 ftlbs.

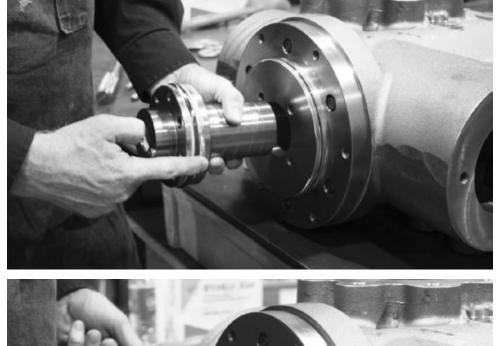
**NOTE:** Torque using a criss-cross sequence.





- 8. Lubricate crank-end head to frame Oring and insert into Oring groove.
- Clean packing case hole in crank-end head making sure that it is free of debris.
- Liberally lubricate the O-ring on the packing case.

- 11. Insert packing case making sure the "lube" hole is at the top and the "vent" hole is at the bottom.
- 12. Slide the packing case into the hole of the crank-end head. (The packing case WILL NOT go all the way in.)



- 13. Secure with 12 pt. screws.
- 14. Torque to 40 ftlbs.

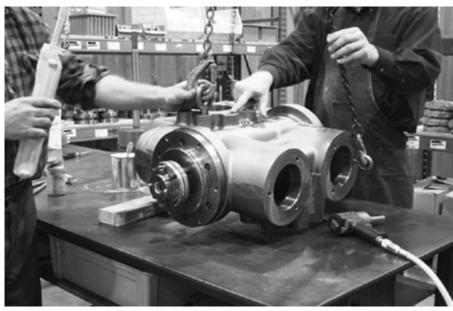
**NOTE:** Evenly torque screws in a criss-cross sequence.



- 15. Apply anti-size to threads of fitting and insert fitting into packing case in the "lube" hole.
- 16. Tighten with 15 mm socket or wrench until opening of fitting (lube hole) faces to the right (see picture).

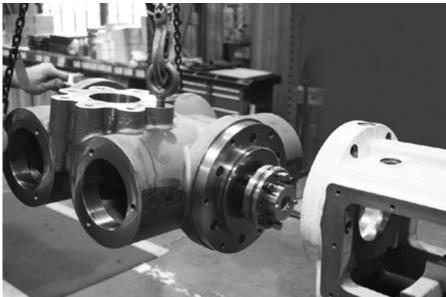


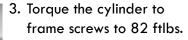
17. Use the same procedure for the fitting for the "vent" hole. The "vent" hole of the fitting will be facing DOWN. The cylinder is now ready to be attached to the frame.

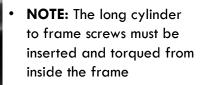


## 4.9.3 Mounting Cylinder to Frame

- Using a proper lifting device, lift and carefully maneuver the cylinder into a position to be mounted on the frame.
- 2. Using four (4) screws (VRC25027), cylinder to frame short screws and two (2) screws (VRC25047) cylinder to frame long screws, attach the cylinder to the frame.
- IMPORTANT: Be careful and ease the cylinder into the frame making sure not to damage or compromise O-ring integrity.









## 4.10 Piston and Piston Rod Removal

CAUTION: To prevent serious injury, be sure that the compressor's crankshaft cannot be turned by the driver or compressor cylinder gas pressure during maintenance. Lock the flywheel on engine-driven compressors. On electric motor-driven compressors, detach the driver from the compressor, the driver switch gear must be locked out during maintenance.

Remember, when performing any type of maintenance to the compressor, make sure that the system is completely vented. Before removing a cylinder head, back off all cap screws. Make sure the head is lose and the cylinder is completely vented.

- 1. Remove the crosshead guide side covers and cylinder head/VVCP pocket. The cylinder head/VVCP is to be loosened and vented first. (See CAUTION instructions above.)
- 2. Move the crosshead(s) to its inner dead center position. Loosen but DO NOT REMOVE the standard hex piston rod jam nut (VRC24909). Loosen the piston rod jam nut with a 2" wrench.
  - If the special **extra heavy piston rod jam nut** (VRC24929) has been used for balancing purposes, do the following:
  - i. Loosen but DO NOT REMOVE the set screws.
  - ii. Using the Piston Jam Nut Bar tool (VRC29499), insert dowel pin into the holes in the jam nut.
  - iii. Turn the piston jam nut counter-clockwise to loosen the jam nut.

(Continue with Piston and Piston Rod Removal procedures.)

- 3. Remove cylinder head/VVCP pocket.
- 4. Use the Piston Nut Adapter tool (VRC29490) and a 1" socket wrench to screw the piston and rod assembly out of the crosshead. The two dowels on the Piston Nut Adapter fit the holes in the piston nut.
- 5. After the piston rod is screwed out of the crosshead, turn the jam nut off the piston rod.
- 6. As the piston is removed from the cylinder, be careful handling the piston rings.
  - NOTE: The rings are fragile when removed from the piston.
     It is wise to carefully handle the rings protecting them from nicks, scrapes and bending.
- 7. Slide the piston rod assembly out of the head-end. The threaded crosshead end of the rod is 1/8" (3mm) smaller in diameter than the inside diameter of the packing. Slide the piston rod slowly and carefully, through the packing to avoid damaging the packing rings.

## 4.10.1 Piston and Piston Rod Disassembly

The piston and rod clamp (VRC29494 - available from Arrow) device show below can be used to disassemble and assemble the piston and piston rod.



1. Clamp the piston rod in the piston rod clamp device (VRC29494). This device will properly hold the piston rod assembly in place and prevent any damage to the rod.



## When using this tool follow these instructions:

 i. Open the jaws of the rod clamp device by tightening the set screws.



- ii. Slide the clamp onto the piston rod and close the jaws of the clamp as close as possible to the piston.
- iii. Back off the set screws but DO NOT remove.



iv. Insert the clamp into a large vise so that the pressure is applied to the shoulder of the clamp (see picture).



- v. Loosen the piston nut (VRC24919) using the piston nut adapter tool (VRC29490) and a 1" socket wrench.
- vi. Remove the piston from the rod. The piston will slip off the end of the rod.
- vii. Remove the clamp from the vise.
- viii. Tighten the set screw in the clamp to open the jaws.
- ix. Remove the clamp from the rod.

### 4.10.2 Piston and Piston Rod Assembly Preparation

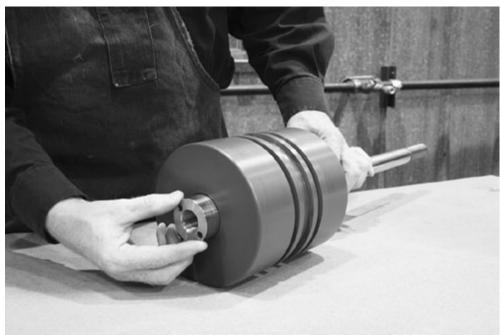
- 1. Clean the piston making sure the all surfaces are free from dirt and metal shavings.
- 2. Clean piston rod and remove any excessive corrosion inhibitor oil from the threaded area.
- 3. Inspect both piston and rod making sure both are clean and free from debris and metal shavings.

Dirt in this area will cause excessive packing ware and cylinder bore abrasion damage.



## 4.10.3 Piston and Rod Assembly

- 1. Place the piston on its side and insert the piston rod in the piston. The piston rod should be inserted through the piston's smallest hole end.
- 2. Carefully insert the piston rod until it bottoms out.



3. Thread the piston nut (VRC24919) on to the piston rod in the counter bore of the piston.

**NOTE:** DO NOT lubricate the piston nut threads.



4. Thread the piston nut by hand. Then using the piston nut adapter tool (VRC29490), insert the pins of the adapter into the holes of the piston nut.



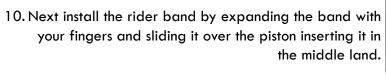
5. Insert the piston rod into the rod clamp (VRC29494) and place both into a vise and tighten firmly.



6. Using a 1" socket and torque wrench, torque the piston nut to 330 ftlbs.



- 7. Remove piston rod and piston from vise.
- 8. Remove the piston rod clamp by tightening the set screws to open the jaws of the clamp.
- Install piston rings. Stand the piston and rod assembly on the end. Expand the ring with your fingers and slide the ring over the piston to the lower land. (Some pistons may have a second ring.)







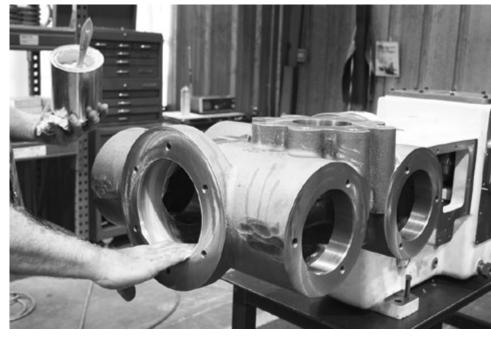
- 11. Slide the remaining piston ring over the piston on to the remaining upper land. (Some pistons may have a second ring.)
  - NOTE: Smaller pistons have more rings, but the rider band always sets on the middle land.

Make sure you stagger the gaps of the rings and rider band. You do not want the ring gaps to line-up.

#### 4.10.4 Piston and Piston Rod Installation

After the piston and piston rod assembly is complete and the cylinder has been mounted on the frame, you may install the piston rod assembly into the cylinder.

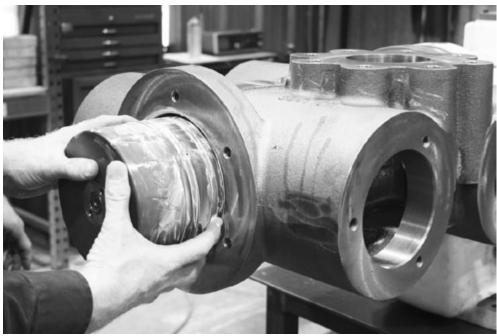
1. Liberally apply lubricant to the piston and piston rod assembly. The piston rings should be included in this lubrication process.



2. Liberally apply lubricant in the cylinder bore.



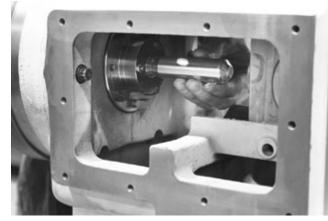
3. Install the piston rod assembly with piston rings into the cylinder. The threaded crosshead end of the rod is 1/8" (3 mm) smaller than the inside diameter of the packing. Its preferred to use an entering sleeve. This Piston Rod Entering sleeve tool (VRC29492) is available from Arrow.

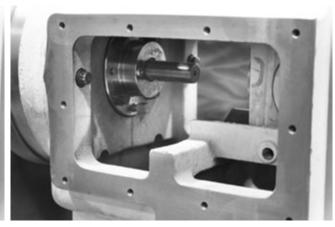


4. Stagger the piston ring gaps and then compress the piston rings with your fingers as you slide the piston rod assembly into the cylinder. Be careful not to pinch your fingers.

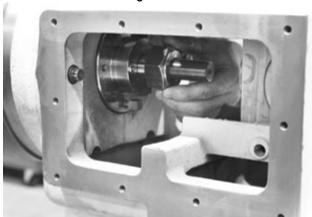


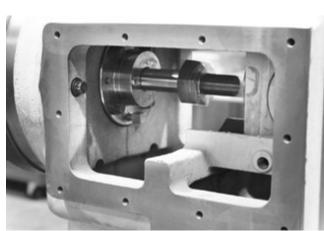
- 5. While your fingers are compressing the piston rings, carefully insert the piston and piston rod assembly into the cylinder bore (the cylinder is normally mounted to the frame prior to this step).
- Make sure the crosshead is all the way back of its throw.



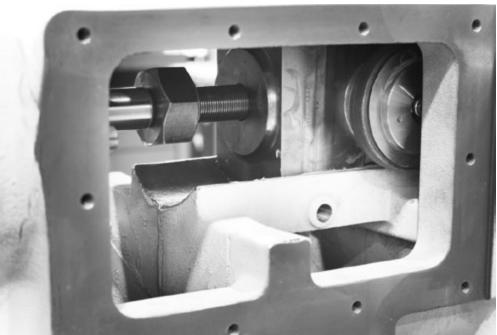


7. Remove entering sleeve tool from rod.





- 8. Install piston rod jam nut (VRC24909) or other extra heavy nut (VRC24929) as required for proper balancing on the piston rod. Make sure that the raised flat surface of the nut will be against the crosshead.
  - NOTE: Screw piston rod jam nut to end of thread.

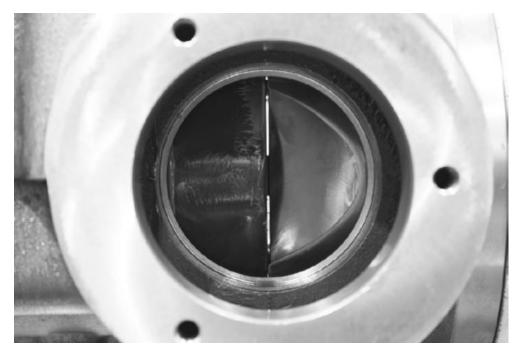


9. Continue to insert piston and piston rod assembly until it begins to thread into crosshead.



10. Using the piston nut adapter tool (VRC29490) screw the piston and piston rod assembly into the crosshead while the crosshead is all the way to the back of its throw.

NOTE: Continue this process until the crank-end head end of the piston is approximately 1/16" from the crank end head.



After assembly and installation of the outer head / VVCP pocket covered in section 4.10.13, you will need to refer to section 4.10.14 "Setting Final Piston Clearance."

## 4.10.5 VVCP - Variable Volume Clearance Pocket (Typical view shown)

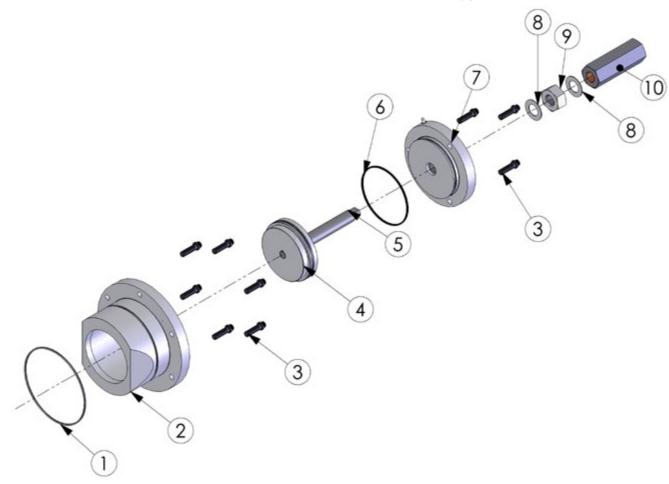


Figure 4.7 - VVCP Exploded View

VVCP - VARIABLE VOLUME CLEARANCE POCKET				
NUMBER	PART NUMBER*	DESCRIPTION	QTY	
1	VRC2XXXX	O-RING, HEAD, CRANK & OUTER END CYLINDER BORE	1	
2	VRC2XXXX	POCKET, OUTERHEAD, X.X INCH VVCP	1	
3	VRC2XXXX	SCREW, VVCP POCKET AND COVER	9	
4	VRC2XXXX	PISTON, X.X - X.X INCH VVCP	1	
5	VRC2XXXX	STEM, VVCP ADJUSTING	1	
6	VRC2XXXX	O-RING, POCKET COVER, X.X - X.X INCH VVCP	1	
7	VRC2XXXX	COVER POCKET, X.X - X.X INCH VVCP	1	
8	VRC2XXXX	GASKET, VVCP ADJUSTING STEM COVER	2	
9	VRC2XXXX	NUT, JAM, VVCP ADJUSTING STEM	1	
10	VRC2XXXX	COVER, VVCP ADJUSTING STEM	1	

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<sup>\*</sup> For specific size and part number see the VRC-2 Compressor Parts Manual.



# **4.10.6 VVCP Installation - Assembly of the Adjustment Stem to the Piston**

 NOTE: This assembly (VVCP Adjustment Stem) may be purchased as an assembly from Arrow with no assembling required

The part number for the assembly is a "Piston and Stem Assembly" using the VVCP Piston part number followed by an "A".

1. Insert VVCP adjusting stem (VRC27100) into the flat end of the piston so that the stepped end piece is opposite of the stem.



- 2. Using a 3/16" drill bit, drill a 3/16" hole half way into the piston and half way into the stem.
- 3. Insert spring pin (VRC27106) into the hole just drilled.



4. Insert the piston ring by sliding the ring over the piston onto the ring land.



- 5. Lubricate O-ring.
- 6. Insert O-ring onto the ring groove in the VVCP pocket cover.



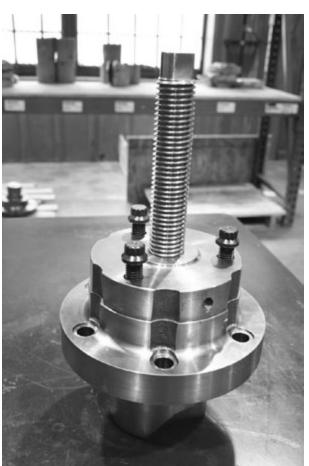
7. Screw the adjusting stem into the VVCP pocket cover in the end that has the O-ring groove.



8. Liberally lubricate the piston, piston ring and VVCP pocket.



9. Insert the piston carefully into the VVCP Pocket making sure the piston ring and O-ring insert evenly into the VVCP pocket.



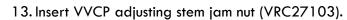
10. Insert three (3) VVCP pocket cover screws (VRC25017) and torque to 82 ftlbs.



11. Run the adjusting stem all the way into the VVCP pocket until the piston seats at the bottom of the VVCP pocket (at base clearance).



12. Insert the first of two (2) VVCP adjusting stem cover gaskets (VRC27105).





14. Insert second VVCP adjusting stem cover gasket (VRC27105).



15. Install VVCP adjusting stem cover (VRC27101).



- 16. Lubricate the crankend outer head Oring (VRC27101).
- 17. Insert the O-ring in the O-ring groove in the head end of the VVCP pocket.



18. Insert VVCP
grease zerk
(VRC27109) into
the hole located in
the VVCP pocket
cover.



19. Using a grease gun, fill the VVCP with grease via the grease zerk.



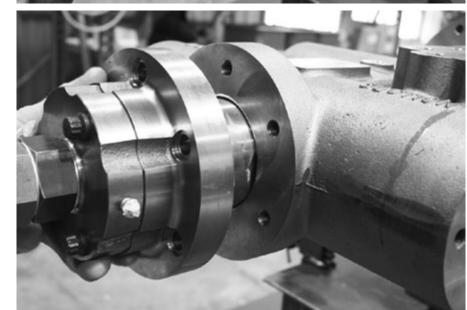
# 4.10.7 Installing VVCP To The Cylin-

 Apply grease to the cylinder head bore.



 Insert VVCP into cylinder making sure the flats on the VVCP head align with the valve ports.

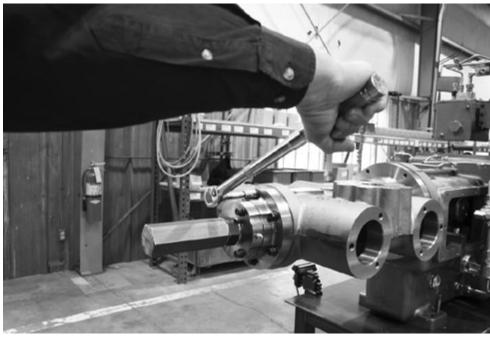
NOTE: You may use a rubber hammer or mallet to help with inserting the head into the cylinder.



3. Push the VVCP into the cylinder.



 Insert six (6) VVCP pocket cover screws (VRC25017) into the holes in the VVCP and attach to the cylinder.



5. Torque screws to 82 ftlbs.

#### 4.10.8 VVCP Removal

- 1. Remove VVCP from the cylinder by unscrewing the six (6) VVCP pocket cover screws.
- 2. Pull the VVCP from the cylinder after all the pocket cover screws are removed.
  - CAUTION: Make sure that the head is loose and the cylinder has been properly vented and all pressure and trapped gas is relieved.

#### 4.10.9 VVCP Disassembly

- 1. Remove the O-ring in the O-ring groove from the head end of the VVCP pocket.
- 2. Remove the VVCP adjusting stem cover.
- 3. Remove the VVCP adjusting stem cover gasket.
  - NOTE: This would be the gasket that would be inserted SEC-OND during the VVCP assembly and installation process.
- 4. Remove VVCP adjusting stem jam nut.
- 5. Remove VVCP adjusting stem cover gasket. This would be the gasket that would be inserted FIRST during the VVCP assembly and installation process.
- 6. Unscrew the three (3) VVCP pocket cover screws.
- 7. Remove the piston and cover from the VVCP pocket.
- 8. Unscrew the adjusting stem from the VVCP pocket cover.
- 9. Remove O-ring from the ring groove in the VVCP pocket cover.
- 10. Remove the piston ring that is seated in the ring land on the piston.

#### 4.10.10 VVCP Adjustments

• **CAUTION:** VVCP clearance volume should only be changed with the compressor STOPPED!

VVCP clearance volume should only be change with the compressor stopped. Refer to the performance run for the specific field operating conditions for the percentage of clearance required to set the VVCP. Consult the table below for VVCP clearance specifications.

All Arrow Variable Volume Clearance Pockets have three (3) inches of total travel on a stem that has seven (7) threads per inch, therefore, it takes twenty one (21) turns to go from base clearance to 100% total added clearance available.

It is recommended that you start at base clearance (stem screwed all the way in) and count the number of turns out until desired clearance is achieved. Refer to the table below or the VRC-SIM compressor sizing program output for the required number of turns.

VVCP CLEARANCE					
CYLINDER SIZE (inches)	MAXIMUM ADDED CLEARANCE %	% CLEARANCE PER TURN	MAXIMUM NUMBER OF TURNS		
3.5"	56.7%	2.7%	21		
4.0"	42.0%	2.0%	21		
4.5"	52.5%	2.5%	21		
5.0"	42.0%	2.0%	21		
5.5"	52.5%	2.5%	21		
6.0"	44.1%	2.1%	21		
6.5"	58.8%	2.8%	21		
7.0"	52.5%	2.5%	21		
7.5"	58.8%	2.8%	21		
8.0"	52.5%	2.5%	21		

Table 4.1 - VVCP Clearances

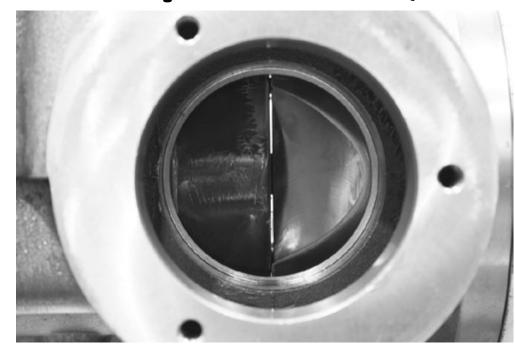
The VVCP piston ring is not designed to be gas tight, but to allow a nearly balanced gas pressure for ease of VVCP adjustment with the cylinder pressurized. Gas pressure behind the VVCP piston normally vents when the cylinder is vented.

If gas is trapped behind the piston the VVCP can be adjusted when the cylinder is pressurized, but will be difficult to turn when the cylinder is vented.

#### 4.10.11 Adjust VVCP Volume

- **CAUTION:** Volume adjustments are NOT to be made while the compressor is running.
- 1. Remove the VVCP adjustment stem cover (VRC27101).
- 2. Loosen the stem jam nut (VRC27103) so that the stem (VRC27100) is free to turn.
- 3. Turn the stem with a wrench on the flats of the stem.
- 4. Refer to Table 4.1 "VVCP Clearance" for the number of turns required to achieve the percentage clearance required for specific operating conditions.
- 5. After making the appropriate VVCP adjustment, tighten the jam nut and replace the adjusting stem cover.

#### 4.10.12 Setting Initial Piston Clearance (Crank-End Head)



1. Using long feeler gauges, insert .050 feeler gauge between piston and crank-end head. Continue to screw the rod into the crosshead until .050 clearance is achieved. The crosshead must be all the way to the back of its throw at this time.

- 2. Tighten up the piston rod jam nut using a 2" open end wrench.
  - NOTE: Bring crosshead to the end of its throw allowing access with the wrench to tighten the piston rod jam nut.
  - **NOTE:** The objective is to achieve 70% of total clearance at the head-end and 30% of total clearance at the crank-end.
- 3. Turn crankshaft to make sure all installed parts are free and moving properly.
  - **NOTE:** Piston clearance should be checked again after installing outer-end head.
- 4. Replace the crosshead side covers and tighten all screws. Before installing side covers apply anti-seize lubricant to the gaskets. This will help when removing them later during maintenance.

#### 4.10.13 Outer Head/VVCP Pocket Assembly To Cylinder

- 1. Clean and lubricate liberally the outer head and O-ring.
- 2. Insert the outer head O-ring into the O-ring groove.



4. Carefully work the outer-end head into the cylinder paying special attention to make sure the flat surfaces faces the valve ports in the cylinder.

NOTE: You may use a rubber hammer or mallet to help with inserting the head into the cylinder

5. Insert the 12 pt. screws into the outer end head and torque to 82 ftlbs.

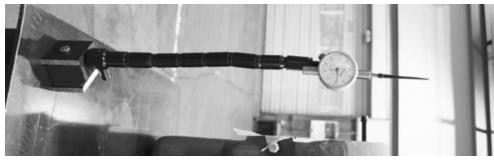
#### 4.10.14 Setting Final Piston Clearance (Outer Head/VVCP Installed)

- 1. With the outer head/VVCP installed, rotate the crankshaft until the piston is at the end of its throw.
- 2. Insert feeler gauge through the valve port to determine what the clearance is between the piston and outer end head. Add this clearance to the actual clearance measured on the crank-end and determine the total clearance as the sum of these two values. Make sure that you have approximately 70% of the total clearance on the outer head end and approximately 30% of the total clearance on the crank end head.
- 3. After final adjustment is made tighten the piston rod jam nut as tight as possible.
- 4. Replace the crosshead side covers and tighten all screws.
  - NOTE: Before installing side covers apply anti-seize lubricant to the gaskets. This will help when removing them later during maintenance.
- 5. Replace the valve seat gaskets, valve assemblies, the retainers and valve covers. Tighten all valve cover screws evenly to the proper torque value of 82 ftlbs.

#### 4.10.15 Piston Rod Run Out

It is important to check piston run out after installing a new unit, relocating a unit or when performing any maintenance that could affect piston run out.

#### 4.10.15.1 Horizontal Piston Rod Run Out Reading



 Position the dial indicator PARALLEL to the flexible arm (see picture for illustration).

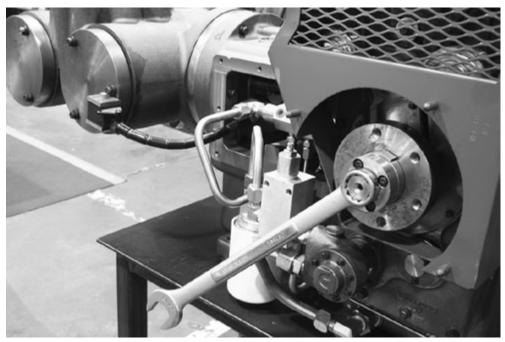


2. Using the magnetic base with flexible arm dial indicator, position the magnetic base on the valve cover on the ACCESSORY SIDE of the frame and position the dial indictor so that the indicator is touching the side of the rod close to the packing case.

**NOTE:** An extra long extension on the dial indicator will make it easier to read the dial.



3. Once the dial indicator is in the proper position and is zeroed out, check to make sure the dial indicator is not touching anything that might give an incorrect reading.



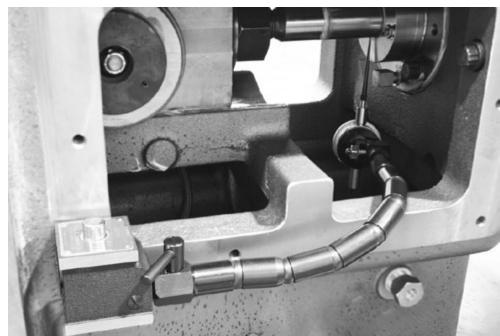
4. Using the crankshaft adapter tool and a 1 1/16" wrench, turn the crankshaft counter-clock wise one full turn (360°).

5. While the rod completes a full stroke, observe the dial indicator and record the highest reading. This reading is the maximum HORIZONTAL rod run out reading (see Table 4.2 "Maximum Acceptable Piston Rod Run Out Readings").

#### 4.10.15.2 Vertical Piston Rod Run Out Reading



1. Position the dial indicator PERPENDICULAR to the flexible arm.



2. Position the magnetic base and attach it to the area where the side cover is placed on the DRIVE SIDE of the frame.



- With the magnetic base attached, position the dial indicator on the bottom side of the rod and zero out the dial indicator.
- 4. From the accessory side of the frame and using the crankshaft adapter tool and 1 1/16 wrench, turn the crankshaft one full turn (360°).
- While the rod completes a full stroke, observe the dial indicator and record the highest reading. This reading is the maximum VERTICAL rod run out reading (see Table 4.2 "Maximum Acceptable Piston Rod Run Out Readings").

MAXIMUM ACCEPTABLE PISTON ROD RUN OUT READINGS				
DIRECTION	INCHES	(mm)		
VERTICAL	0.002	(0.0508)		
HORIZONTAL	0.001	(0.0254)		

Table 4.2 - Maximum Acceptable Piston Rod Run Out Readings

If the piston rod run out readings are not within acceptable limits after maintenance or replacing worn or damaged parts and correcting any misalignment, the piston rod should be replaced.

#### 4.10.16 Piston Rings

The VRC-2 Compressor cylinders use one-piece angle cut carbon filled Teflon piston rings.

#### 4.10.17 Determining Ring Wear

Arrow recommends replacing rings when the end gap has increased three (3) times the new dimension (see Table 2.9 "Piston To Bore Clearance and Conventional Piston Ring End Gap for Double Acting and Steeple Cylinders").

To measure the end gap, with piston removed, insert the ring in the cylinder bore in the area of piston ring travel. Expand the ring so that it is snug against the inside of the cylinder bore and measure the ring gap.

• NOTE: Excessive ring gap may be an indication of cylinder bore wear.

#### 4.10.18 Piston Ring Removal

Take care when handling the piston rings. Despite the piston rings toughness, rings should still be considered fragile when removing them from the piston. Always handle them with clean tools and hands so as to protect the rings from dirt, nicks, marring and bending.

- 1. Pull the piston out of the cylinder until the first ring clears the cylinder.
- 2. Place fingers in the ring gap and gently pull gap apart just enough to expand the ring so that it clears the ring land. Carefully remove the rings from the piston.

Use these procedure to remove all remaining piston rings and rider band.

#### 4.10.19 Rider Bands

The VRC-2 compressor cylinders use a one-piece straight-cut carbon filled Teflon rider band.

#### 4.10.20 Determining Rider Band Wear

Since the rider band does not work as a seal ring, end gap is not a concern. The rider band projection beyond the outer diameter of the piston is important. Rider band projection can be checked by measuring the piston to cylinder bore clearance at the bottom of the bore. This is done without removing the piston from the cylinder.

Replace the rider band before it becomes worn. A worn rider band will allow the piston to touch the cylinder bore and cause damage to the piston and to the cylinder bore. For acceptable piston to bore clearance see Table 2.9 "Piston To Bore Clearance and Conventional Piston Ring End Gap for Double Acting and Steeple Cylinders".

#### 4.10.21 Piston Ring(s) Installation

- 1. Place the rings over the grooves in the piston. Compress the one-piece carbon filled Teflon rings by hand.
- 2. With the rings fully compressed in the grooves of the piston, insert the piston rod and piston into the cylinder.
  - NOTE: Ring gaps are to be staggered around the piston, rather than in line.
- 3. Continue by following the procedures found in section 4.10.4 "Piston and Piston Rod Installation".

#### 4.10.22 Rider Band Installation

The procedure for installing the rider ring is exactly like the procedure for installing the piston ring (see section 4.10.21 for piston ring installation instructions). The rider bands are used on all Arrow cylinders.

## 4.11 Pressure Packing, Piston Rod

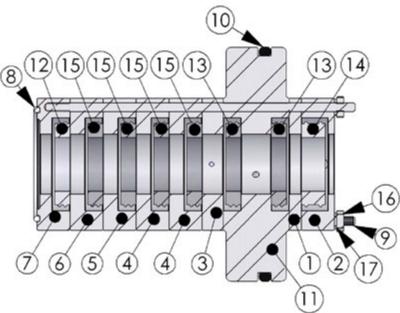
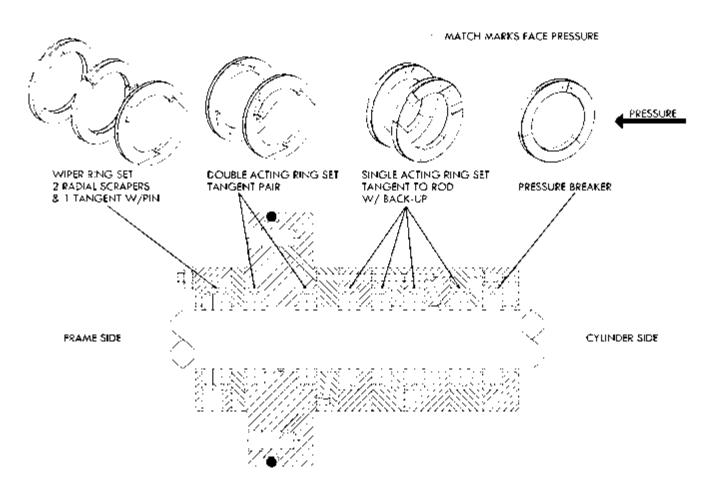


Figure 4.8 - Piston Rod Pressure Packing Exploded Views

PACK	PACKING CASE				
NUMBER	PART NUMBER	DESCRIPTION	QTY		
1	VRC23321	SPACER, PACKING CASE	1		
2	VRC23351	CUP, PACKING, WIPER	1		
3	VRC23311	SPACER, PRIMARY VENT	1		
4	VRC23241	CUP, PACKING, CENTER	2		
5	VRC23231	CUP, PACKING, LUBE	1		
6	VRC23221	CUP, PACKING, PLAIN	1		
7	VRC23211	CUP, PACKING, BOTTOM	1		
8	VRC23106	GASKET, WIRE, PACKING CASE NOSE	1		
9	VRC23118	STUD, PACKING CASE	3		
10	VRC23104	O-RING, PACKING CASE MOUNTING FLANGE	1		
11	VRC23201	FLANGE, PACKING CASE	1		
12	VRC23411	RING, PACKING, PRESSURE BREAKER	1		
13	VRC23431	RING, PACKING, DOUBLE ACTING	2		
14	VRC23441	RING, PACKING, WIPER	1		
15	VRC23421	RING, PACKING, SINGLE ACTING	4		
16	VRC23109	NUT, LOCK, PACKING CASE STUD	3		
17	VRC23001A	CASE, PACKING ASSEMBLY	1		

#### 4.11.1 Piston Rod Packing Ring Arrangement



• **IMPORTANT:** Packing rings are to be installed with the punch mark pointing toward the pressure side.

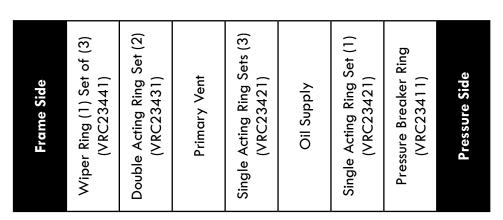


Figure 4.9 - Typical Piston Rod Packing Ring configuration

Arrow part numbers for ordering renewal ring kits are:

VRC23501- Ring Kit, Packing Renewal w/parts (include O-ring, nose gasket, nuts and washers)

VRC23551 - Ring Kit, Packing Renewal (rings only)

#### 4.11.2 Piston Rod Pressure Packing Removal

- 1. Remove the piston and piston rod (see section 4.10 "Piston and Piston Rod Removal").
- 2. Disconnect the lube oil line from the top of the packing case and primary vent line from the bottom of the packing case.
- 3. Remove the four (4) screws that hold the pressure packing case to the cylinder.
- 4. Do not remove the small nuts from the studs. These studs hold the entire packing case together so it can be removed as an assembly.
- 5. Pull the entire pressure packing case out into the crosshead guide. It will come out through the side opening. The pressure packing case may now be taken to a clean place for disassembly.
- 6. Set the pressure packing on a clean surface. Three (3) long tie studs hold the pressure packing case together. The stud holes are not equally spaced. This prevents the stack of parts from being aligned incorrectly. Remove the stud nuts and pressure packing; the pressure packing can be unstacked. It is recommended that you replace lock-washers, O-ring and nose gasket each time the pressure packing is serviced.
  - Parts kits are available from Arrow for this. Contact your Arrow sales representative for more information regarding the parts kits. See section 4.11.1 "Piston Rod Packing Ring Arrangement" for part numbers.
- 7. Ring wear can be determined by placing the assembled rings on the piston rod. Check end gap clearance. If the ends knock against each other, or nearly hit, they should be replaced.
- 8. Any wire edges on the rings due to wear should be filed off allowing all matching edges to be square.
- 9. If necessary, replace aluminum gasket prior to reassembling. Be careful not to scratch the sides of the gasket groove when removing the old gasket.
- 10. It is important to be sure that all parts are cleaned thoroughly before reassembly.
- 11. Refer to the packing case drawing, section 4.11.1 for proper orientation of packing rings. Arrow Pressure Packing Replacement kits are available (see VRC-2 Compressor Parts Manual).

#### 4.11.3 Piston Rod Pressure Packing Reassembly and Installation

- 1. Be sure to refer to the exploded view drawing of the pressure packing assembly (see section 4.11 "Pressure Packing, Piston Rod and 4.11.1 "Piston Rod Packing Ring Arrangement"). A pressure packing assembly drawing is also included in each pressure packing renewal kit.
- 2. When installing a new set of rod packing rings in an existing packing case, the case parts need to be inspected for wear. Cups should be smooth and flat on the back side where the rod packing rings must seal. If the grooves have worn or tapered, they should be re-ground or re-lapped. It is rarely necessary to alter the crosshead side of the cups, however, if this is found necessary, care must be taken so that the correct side clearance is not destroyed or compromised.

- 3. Before a packing case is installed, it should be disassembled and cleaned using an appropriate solvent.
- 4. Make sure that each rod packing ring and cup is properly positioned and the rings are liberally coated with a clean lubricant before reassembly. Examining all the parts for nicks or burrs is important. Imperfections such as these can interfere with the free movement of the rod packing ring in the cup. Extreme care should be taken with rod packing rings made of soft material like Teflon. It is also very important to carefully handle and install the wiper rings as to prevent damage to the scrapping edges.
- 5. Parts should be laid out on a table so that they can be properly installed in the proper progression. Each in its correct position and their rod packing rings with their proper faces toward the pressure.
- 6. Regarding new installations, it is important to clean all dirt that may have accumulated in the lines and in the compressor. If you do not inspect and clean the lines, dirt and other foreign material will lodge in the packing and become destructive to the compressor.
- 7. Prior to installing the packing case into the cylinder, the end cup wire gasket (VRC23106) must be inspected for nicks or any other damage that could cause leaks in service. It is a good practice if you are in doubt, to replace the wire gasket with a new one.
- 8. Clean and inspect the gasket surface in the packing counter bore on the crank end of the cylinder for scratches before you install the packing case into the cylinder.
- 9. Reinstall the complete packing case assembly making sure the oil supply point is on top. Pull the packing into place by using the packing case screws (VRC23107).
- 10. Reinstall the piston and piston rod (See "Piston and Piston Rod Installation" in section 4.10.4).
- 11. After the crosshead jam nut has been tightened, tighten the rod packing screws evenly to the recommended torque of 40 ftlbs. This procedure will ensure that the pressure packing comes up square on its nose gasket.
- 12. Retighten the small packing case stud nuts. Reinstall the tubing connections for the oil supply and primary vent. Be careful not to cross-thread the fittings.
  - NOTE: After installing the new pressure packing rings, refer to "Filling and Operating The Lubrication System" section 6.10 for instruction for priming the cylinder lube system.

Normal lubrication rates that are recommended for a normal running compressor see Table 6.2 "Divider Block Selection and Cycle Time". Break-in lube rates are twice the normal rates or one-half the normal indicator pin cycle time.

For fitting and tubing connections refer to section 6.9 "Tubing and Distance Piece Venting".

## **4.12 Valves** 4.12.1 Valve Parts



SUCT	SUCTION VALVE				
NUMBER	PART NUMBER*	DESCRIPTION	QTY		
1	VRC2XXXX	SPRING, CLOSING, VALVE	3-6		
2	VRC2XXXX	SEAT, VALVE, SUCTION	1		
3	VRC2XXXX	GUARD, VALVE, SUCTION	1		
4	VRC2XXXX	PIN, LOCATING, VALVE	1		
5	VRC2XXXX	BOLT, CENTER, VALVE	1		
6	VRC2XXXX	PLATE, VALVE, SUCTION	1		
7	VRC2XXXX	RING, GUIDE, VALVE	1		
8	VRC2XXXX	NUT, LOCK, VALVE	1		

<sup>\*</sup> Part numbers are specific to each model valve depending on what size cylinder they are for. The springs can be light, medium or heavy depending on the operating conditions. Contact Arrow Engine Company if you need replacement parts.

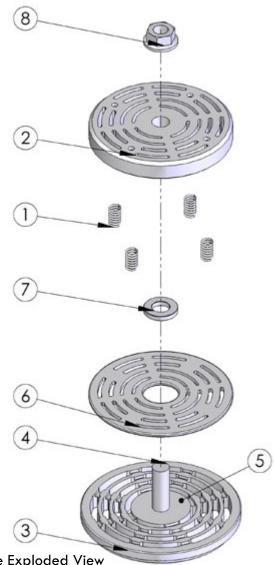


Figure 4.11 - Discharge Valve Exploded View

DISCH	DISCHARGE VALVE				
NUMBER	PART NUMBER*	DESCRIPTION	QTY		
1	VRC2XXXX	SPRING, CLOSING, VALVE	3-6		
2	VRC2XXXX	GUARD, VALVE, DISCHARGE	1		
3	VRC2XXXX	SEAT, VALVE, DISCHARGE	1		
4	VRC2XXXX	BOLT, CENTER, VALVE	1		
5	VRC2XXXX	PIN, LOCATING, VALVE (part not shown)	1		
6	VRC2XXXX	PLATE, VALVE, DISCHARGE	1		
7	VRC2XXXX	RING, GUIDE, VALVE	1		
8	VRC2XXXX	NUT, LOCK, VALVE	1		

<sup>\*</sup> Part numbers are specific to each model valve depending on what size cylinder they are for. The springs can be light, medium or heavy depending on the operating conditions. Contact Arrow Engine Company if you need replacement parts.

#### 4.12.2 Removing Valves

 CAUTION: Before removing any valve cover, be sure that ALL pressure from the compressor cylinder has been vented.

The pressure must be completely vented from both the suction and discharge passages of the cylinder.

- 1. Slightly loosen all the screws on each valve cover. With all the screws loosened, the cover should stay in its original position. If there are signs of the cover pushing out on its own STOP IMMEDIATE-LY! You must take steps to completely vent the cylinder before proceeding. (See CAUTION above)
- 2. After the pressure from the cylinder has been discharged, remove the valve cover screws.
- 3. Remove the valve. Remove the valve by hand or uses a valve tool that threads on to the valve center screw.
  - NOTE: The size of the valve tool will depend on the size of the cylinder. See table below for the different sized valve installation tools and part number.

VALVE INSTALLATION TOOL SIZE TABLE			
PART NUMBER	TOOL, VALVE INSTALLATION		
VRC29463	2.25" - 4.0" CYLINDERS 1/4" & 5/16" THREADS		
VRC29464	4.5" - 8.0" CYLINDERS 3/8" & 1/2" THREADS		

Table 4.3 - Valve Tool Size

4. The valve seat gasket will remain in the pocket. The gasket may fall into the gas passage. A small magnet on a flexible extension rod will help retrieve the gasket from the passage. The gasket should be replaced after several uses or each time the valves are replaced.

#### 4.12.3 Valve Maintenance

Arrow Engine Company does not have a compressor valve repair facility. Arrow does stock and sell new Hoerbiger replacement valves and valve parts.

For valve repair, contact your local authorized Hoerbiger valve repair facility. For assistance locating an authorized Hoerbiger valve repair facility in your area please contact customer service at Hoerbiger Corporation of America Inc. at 1-800-327-8961 or contact Arrow Engine Company for a referral.

#### 4.12.4 Valve Reassembly In Cylinder

- 1. The 1/32" (0.8 mm) thick soft metallic flat gasket should be coated with an anti-seize lubricant. It then can be inserted into the valve pocket. Be careful not to let the gasket fall into the gas passage.
- 2. Using the valve tool (See Table 4.3 "Valve Installation Tool Size") insert the valve and the retainer into the pocket together.
- 3. Inspect the valve cover O-ring for any cuts, gashes or splits and replace it if necessary. Lubricate the O-ring and the nose of the valve cover.
- 4. Insert the cover and tighten the screws evenly to the recommended torque of 82 ftlbs. If the assembly is correct, the distance from the underside of the cover to the valve boss surface on the cylinder will be approximately 1/8" (3 mm).
  - NOTE: Be certain all parts, gasket faces, and mating surfaces are absolutely clean and always use clean oil on all the threads before reinstalling screws.

#### 4.12.5 Screw Tightening for Valve Covers

Proper tightening technique is essential for sealing of the valve covers. It is important to draw up screws to full torque in even and gradual steps.

- 1. Install the valve assembly with the flat gasket and valve retainer, in the valve pocket (See section 4.12.4 "Valve Reassembly in Cylinder").
- 2. Lubricate threads and screws with petroleum type lubricant and install screws. Do not use anti-seize compounds on the valve cover screws. Tighten each screw until snug using a crisscress pattern.
- 3. Next tighten each screw to full torque, moving across from screw to screw, in a criss-cross pattern.
  - CAUTION: Severe personal injury and property damage can result if valve cover screws are not installed to the proper torque of 82 ftlbs.

## -5-STEEPLE CYLINDER ASSEMBLY

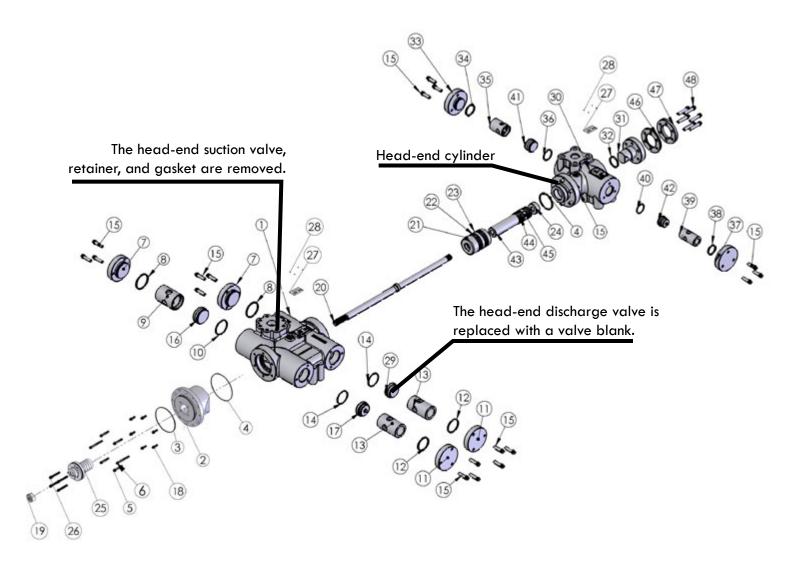


Figure 5.1 - Typical Steeple Cylinder Exploded View

• **NOTE:** For Steeple cylinder applications this otherwise double acting cylinder is used as the crank-end cylinder of the steeple assembly.

STEEPLE CYLINDER				
NUMBER	PART NUMBER*	DESCRIPTION	QTY.	
1	VRC2XXXX	CYLINDER, X.X INCH DA / SACE	1	
2	VRC2XXXX	HEAD, CRANK END, X.X INCH CYLINDER	1	
3	VRC2XXXX	O-RING, HEAD, CRANK-END TO FRAME	1	
4	VRC2XXXX	O-RING, HEAD, CRANK & OUTER END, X.X INCH CYLINDER BORE	2	
5	VRC2XXXX	SCREW, CYLINDER TO FRAME, SHORT	4	
6	VRC2XXXX	SCREW, CYLINDER TO FRAME LONG & CE HEAD	2	
7	VRC2XXXX	COVER, VALVE, SUCTION, X.X - X.X INCH CYLINDER	2	
8	VRC2XXXX	O-RING, COVER, SUCT. VALVE, X.X - X.X INCH CYLINDER	2	
9	VRC2XXXX	RETAINER, VALVE, SUCTION, X.X INCH CYLINDER	1	
10	VRC2XXXX	GASKET, SUCT. VALVE SEAT, X.X - X.X INCH CYLINDER	1	
11	VRC2XXXX	COVER, VALVE, DISCHARGE, X.X - X.X INCH CYLINDER	2	
12	VRC2XXXX	O-RING, COVER, DISCH. VALVE, X.X - X.X INCH CYLINDER	2	
13	VRC2XXXX	RETAINER, VALVE, DISCHARGE, X.X INCH CYLINDER	2	
14	VRC2XXXX	GASKET, DISCH. VALVE SEAT, X.X - X.X INCH CYLINDER	2	
15	VRC2XXXX	SCREW, VALVE COVER	18	
16	VRC2XXXX	VALVE, SUCTION, X.X - X.X INCH CYLINDER, MEDIUM **	1	
17	VRC2XXXX	VALVE, DISCHARGE, X.X - X.X INCH CYLINDER, MEDIUM **	1	
18	VRC2XXXX	SCREW, HEAD, CRANK-END	6	
19	VRC2XXXX	NUT, JAM, PISTON ROD	1	
20	VRC2XXXX	ROD, PISTON, X.X - X.X INCH PISTONS	1	
21	VRC2XXXX	PISTON, X.X INCH DA CYLINDER	1	
22	VRC2XXXX	RING, X.X INCH PISTON	2	
23	VRC2XXXX	BAND, RIDER, X.X INCH PISTON	1	
24	VRC2XXXX	NUT, PISTON	1	
25	VRC2XXXX	CASE, PACKING ASSEMBLY	1	

STEE	PLF CYLIN	DER, continued	
NUMBER	PART NUMBER*		QTY.
26	VRC2XXXX	SCREW, PACKING CASE	4
27	VRC2XXXX	NAMEPLATE, VRC CYLINDER	2
28	VRC2XXXX	PIN, NAMEPLATE	8
29	VRC2XXXX	BLANK, VALVE, DISCHARGE X.X - X.X INCH SACE CYLINDER	1
30	VRC2XXXX	CYLINDER, STEEPLE, X.X INCH SAHE x X.X INCH SACE	1
31	VRC2XXXX	HEAD, X.X INCH SAHE CYLINDER	1
32	VRC2XXXX	O-RING, HEAD, X.X INCH SAHE CYLINDER	1
33	VRC2XXXX	COVER, VALVE, SUCTION, X.X - X.X INCH CYLINDER	1
34	VRC2XXXX	O-RING, COVER SUCTION VALVE, X.X - X.X INCH CYLINDER	1
35	VRC2XXXX	RETAINER, VALVE, SUCTION, X.X - X.X INCH CYLINDER	1
36	VRC2XXXX	GASKET, SUCTION VALVE SEAT, X.X - X.X INCH CYLINDER	1
37	VRC2XXXX	COVER, VALVE, DISCHARGE, X.X - X.X INCH CYLINDER	1
38	VRC2XXXX	O-RING, COVER, DISCHARGE VALVE, X.X - X.X INCH CYLINDER	1
39	VRC2XXXX	RETAINER, VALVE, DISCHARGE, X.X - X.X INCH CYLINDER	1
40	VRC2XXXX	GASKET, DISCHARGE VALVE SEAT, X.X - X.X INCH CYLINDER	1
41	VRC2XXXX	VALVE, SUCTION, X.X INCH SAHE CYLINDER MEDIUM **	1
42	VRC2XXXX	VALVE, DISCHARGE, X.X INCH SAHE CYLINDER MEDIUM **	1
43	VRC2XXXX	PISTON, X.X" SAHE x X.X - X.X INCH SACE	1
44	VRC2XXXX	RING, X.X INCH PISTON	4
45	VRC2XXXX	BAND RIDER, X.X INCH PISTON	1
46	VRC2XXXX	SPACER, X.X" - X.X" SAHE HEAD, 1/4"	1
47	VRC2XXXX	SPACER, X.X" - X.X" SAHE HEAD, 1/2"	1
48	VRC2XXXX	SCREWS, CYLINDER HEAD	6

<sup>\*</sup> The parts and part numbers are specific to each size Steeple cylinder and Steeple cylinder configuration see the "Arrow VRC-2 Compressor Parts Manual" for the correct part and part number for your particular compressor configuration.

5.1 STEEPLE CYLINDER SPECIFICATIONS									
Bore					Lift Area	Valve Lift	Added HE	MAWP	RDP
SACE x	Flange Size	CE	HE	Valve Type	Suct/Disch	Suct/	Clearance	CE	CE
SAHE	In/Rating	CLR. %	CLR. %	(Hoerbiger)	Sq/In	Disch	Max %	HE	HE
In						In.		PSIG	PSIG
3.5 X 2.25	2.0"/600# X 1.5"/1500#	34	42	60 CRO 42 CRO	1.84/1.23 0.76/0.65	.071/.047 .055/.047	26 W/HD SPACERS	1000 2250	900 2025
4.0 X 2.25	2.0"/600# X 1.5"/1500#	26	42	60 CRO 42 CRO	1.84/1.23 0.76/0.65	.071/.047 .055/.047	26 W/HD SPACERS	1000 2250	900 2025
4.5 X 2.50	2.5"/600# X 1.5"/1500#	26	34	70 CRO 42 CRO	2.39/1.60 0.76/0.65	.071/.047 .055/.047	26 W/HD SPACERS	750 2250	675 2025
4.5 X 3.0	2.5"/600# X 1.5"/900#	26	43	70 CRO 60 CRO	2.39/1.60 1.64/1.23	.071/.047 .063/.047	26 W/HD SPACERS	750 1500	675 1350
4.5 X 3.5	2.5"/600# X 1.5"/900#	26	31	70 CRO 60 CRO	2.39/1.60 1.64/1.23	.071/.047 .063/.047	26 W/HD SPACERS	750 1500	675 1350
5.0 X 2.50	2.5"/600# X 1.5"/1500#	22	34	70 CRO 42 CRO	2.39/1.60 0.76/0.65	.071/.047 .055/.047	26 W/HD SPACERS	750 2250	675 2025
5.0 X 3.0	2.5"/600# X 1.5"/900#	22	43	70 CRO 60 CRO	2.39/1.60 1.64/1.23	.071/.047 .063/.047	26 W/HD SPACERS	750 1500	675 1350
5.0 X 3.5	2.5"/600# X 1.5"/900#	22	31	70 CRO 60 CRO	2.39/1.60 1.64/1.23	.071/.047 .063/.047	26 W/HD SPACERS	750 1500	675 1350
5.5 X 3.0	3.0"/300# X 1.5"/900#	26	43	88 CRO 60 CRO	3.41/2.64 1.64/1.23	.071/.055 .063/.047	26 W/HD SPACERS	500 1500	450 1350
5.5 X 3.5	3.0"/300# X 1.5"/900#	26	31	88 CRO 60 CRO	3.41/2.64 1.64/1.23	.071/.055 .063/.047	26 W/HD SPACERS	500 1500	450 1350
6.0 X 3.0	3.0"/300# X 1.5"/900#	22	43	88 CRO 60 CRO	3.41/2.64 1.64/1.23	.071/.055 .063/.047	26 W/HD SPACERS	500 1500	450 1350
6.0 X 3.5	3.0"/300# X 1.5"/900#	22	31	88 CRO 60 CRO	3.41/2.64 1.64/1.23	.071/.055 .063/.047	26 W/HD SPACERS	500 1500	450 1350
6.5 X 4.0	4.0"/300# X 2.0"/600#	26	31	105 CRO 70 CRO	3.98/3.98 2.12/1.60	.055/.055 .063/.047	26 W/HD SPACERS	400 1000	360 900
6.5 X 4.5	4.0"/300# X 2.0"/600#	26	25	105 CRO 70 CRO	3.98/3.98 2.12/1.60	.055/.055 .063/.047	26 W/HD SPACERS	400 1000	360 900
7.0 X 4.0	4.0"/300# X 2.0"/600#	23	31	105 CRO 70 CRO	3.98/3.98 2.12/1.60	.055/.055 .063/.047	26 W/HD SPACERS	400 1000	360 900
7.0 X 4.5	4.0"/300# X 2.0"/600#	23	25	105 CRO 70 CRO	3.98/3.98 2.12/1.60	.055/.055 .063/.047	26 W/HD SPACERS	400 1000	360 900

Table 5.1 - VRC-2 Compressor Steeple Cylinder Data

<sup>\*\*</sup> Actual site gas conditions may require "LIGHT" or "HEAVY" valve springs.

## 5.2 Steeple Piston and Cylinder Removal

When removing a piston from a Steeple cylinder, it will be necessary to first remove the outboard head-end cylinder.

For further instructions simply REVERSE the "Steeple Cylinder Assembly and Installation" procedures found in section 5.2.1.

For piston rod removal and disassembly see section 5.3 "Steeple Cylinder - Piston and Rod Disassembly".

#### 5.2.1 Steeple Cylinder Assembly and Installation - Mounting Crank-End and Head-End Cylinders

- NOTE: The crank-end cylinder is actually a double acting cylinder converted to be use as the crank-end cylinder of the Steeple.
- 1. Attach crank-end cylinder to frame (see section 4.9.2 "Cylinder Assembly and Installation").



2. After the crank-end cylinder is attached to the frame, the Steeple piston and rod assembly MUST be installed prior to attaching the headend cylinder to the crank-end cylinder.

If the Steeple piston and piston rod is NOT assembled, and is not installed, YOU MUST assemble the Steeple piston and piston rod at this point and install it on the crank-end cylinder.

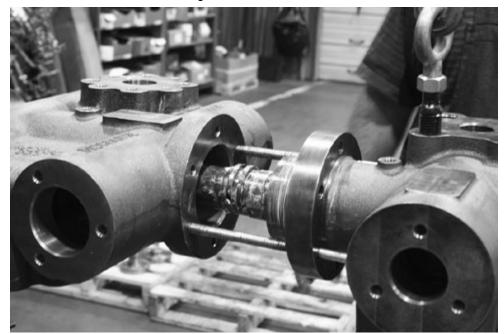
- **NOTE:** If you have not assembled the Steeple piston and piston rod, see section 5.3, "Steeple Cylinder Piston and Rod Disassembly" for instructions.
- 3. Liberally lubricate both the crank-end cylinder bore and the head-end cylinder bore before installing.
- 4. Attach the head-end cylinder to the head-end of the crank-end cylinder.

 NOTE: If available, use alignment studs to make attachment to the crank-end cylinder easier.

The alignment studs used are NOT necessary for attaching the head-end cylinder to the head-end of the crank-end cylinder, but is mentioned here as an aid.

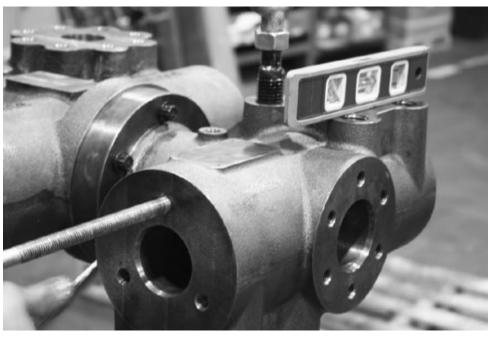
Insert the head-end cylinder so that the cylinder lube hole is at the top.

• **IMPORTANT:** Support the head-end cylinder during removal and installation so that no excessive weight is exerted on the piston and piston rod. Excessive weight to the piston rod can cause bending and damage the rod.



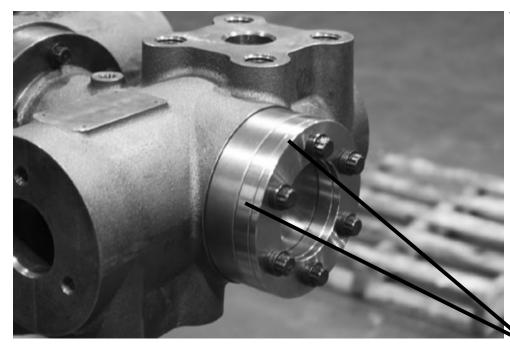
5. Ease the head-end cylinder toward the crank-end cylinder and carefully install the head-end cylinder. While installing the head-end cylinder compress the piston rings of the head-end (smaller) piston with your fingers and slide the cylinder onto the piston. Be careful not to pinch your fingers.





- 6. After installing the head-end cylinder and before tightening fasteners, check level for both the head-end cylinder and the crank-end cylinder. Place a level on the suction flange making sure that the suction flanges on both cylinders are level.
- 7. Check piston rod run out (See section 4.10.15 "Piston Rod Run Out").
- 8. Prepare the moveable head by liberally lubricating the O-ring.
- Insert the moveable head into the headend of the headend cylinder making sure that the flats are in line with the valve ports.





10. Prior to installing screws, place the two head spacers on the outside of the head (for base clearance) and attach to the head with the screws.

**NOTE:** If added clearance is required, insert the appropriate spacer or spacers underneath the moveable head.

SPACER

11. Torque all fasteners to 82 ftlb. using a criss-cross torque pattern.

Arrow's two smallest double acting cylinders and all of the head-end steeple cylinders have the capability of adding clearance using spacers under the cylinder head. Cylinders are shipped with an assortment of 1/4" and 1/2" spacers installed on the outside of the cylinder head.

To add clearance, remove the cylinder head and move the appropriate number of spacers from outside the head to under the head and install the head back on the cylinder.

Note that the 1/2" spacers are treated as two (2) 1/4" spacers. Therefore, if the application calls for two (2) 1/4" spacers, this can physically be done with one (1) 1/2" spacer. Refer to Table 5.2 "Spacer Clearance" for the percent (%) clearance added with each 1/4" spacer increment.

SPACER CLEARANCE				
CYLINDER SIZE (inches)	MAXIMUM ADDED CLEARANCE %	% CLEARANCE PER 1/4 (inch) SPACER	MAXIMUM NUMBER OF SPACERS	
2.5 DA	44.0	8.8	5	
3.0 DA	40.0	8.0	5	
2.25 SAHE	26.4	8.8	3	
2.5 SAHE	26.4	8.8	3	
3.0 SAHE	25.8	8.6	3	
3.5 SAHE	25.8	8.6	3	
4.0 SAHE	25.8	8.6	3	
4.5 SAHE	25.8	8.6	3	

Table 5.2 - Cylinder Spacer Clearance Table

## 5.3 Steeple Cylinder - Piston and Rod Disassembly

The same piston and rod clamp (VRC29494) that was used in the double acting piston and piston rod disassembly and assembly (see section 4.10 "Piston and Piston Rod Removal") can be used with the Steeple piston and piston rod.

- 1. Clamp the Steeple piston and rod assembly in the piston rod clamp device. This device will properly hold the rod in place and prevent any damage to the rod. Follow these instructions for using the piston rod clamp:
  - i. Open the jaws of the rod clamp device by TIGHTENING the set screws.



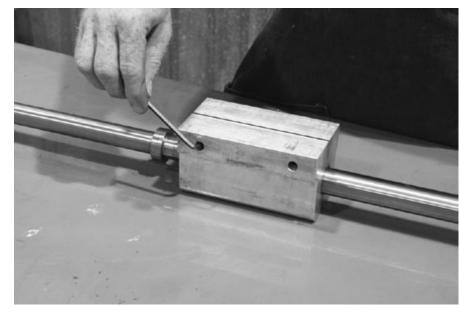
- ii. Slide the clamp onto the steeple piston rod as close as possible to the piston. Close the jaws of the clamp by loosening the set screws.
- iii. Back off the set screws but do NOT remove.



iv. Insert the clamp into a large vise so that the pressure is applied to the shoulder of the clamp.



- v. Loosen the piston nut (VRC24919) using the piston nut adaptor tool (VRC29490) and a 1" socket wrench.
- vi. Remove the pistons (both large and small piston) from the rod. The pistons will slip off the end of the rod.
- vii.Remove the clamp from the vise.



- viii. Tighten the set screw in the clamp to open the jaws.
- ix. Remove the clamp from the rod.

#### 5.4 Steeple Cylinder - Piston and Rod Assembly and Installation

#### Preparation

- 1. Clean the piston making sure that all surfaces are free from dirt and metal shavings.
- 2. Clean piston rod and remove any excessive corrosion inhibitor oil from the threaded area.
- 3.Inspect both piston and rod making sure both are clean and free from debris and metal shavings. Dirt and debris in this area will cause excessive packing wear and cylinder bore abrasion damage.

#### **5.4.1 Steeple Piston and Rod Assembly**



- 1. Place the piston on its side. Starting with the larger piston, insert the piston rod in the large piston. The piston rod should be inserted through the large piston's smallest counter sunk hole.
- 2. Carefully insert the piston rod until it bottoms out.
- 3. After inserting the large piston, insert the smaller piston on the same end of the rod.

NOTE: Insert the smaller piston with ring lands toward the end of the rod.

4. Thread the piston nut (VRC24919)\* onto the piston rod. Do NOT lubricate the piston nut threads.

**NOTE:** Use piston nut VRC24911 on 2.25 pistons ONLY.



- 5. Thread the piston nut by hand. Then, using the piston nut adapter tool, insert the pins of the adapter tool into the holes of the piston nut.
- Insert the piston rod into the rod clamp and place both into a vise and tighten.



Using a 1" socket and torque wrench, torque the piston nut to 330 ftlbs.



8. While the piston rod assembly is still in the clamp and vise, insert the 2 piston



- rings on the large piston.
- 9. Insert the rider band on the center land of the large piston.
- Insert the remaining two piston rings on the large piston.



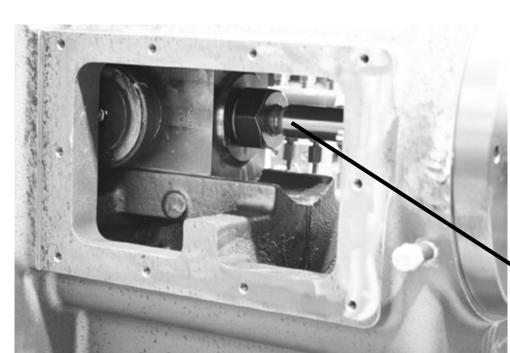
- 11. Repeat the same procedure for inserting the piston rings and rider band for the smaller piston.
- 12. Stagger all piston ring gaps approximately 180° apart. The piston ring gaps should NOT be lined up.

#### 5.4.2 Steeple Piston and Rod Installation

1. Liberally apply lubricant to the pistons of the Steeple piston and rod assembly.

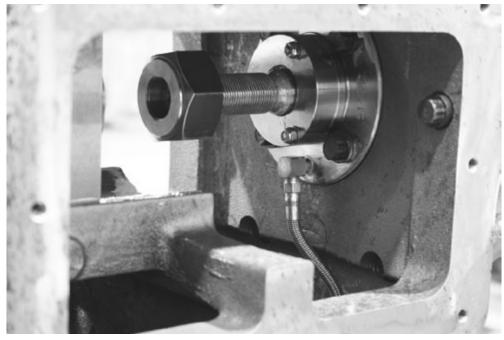


- 2. Liberally apply lubricant in the crank-end cylinder bore.
- 3. Insert the Steeple piston and rod assembly (with piston rings) into the crank-end cylinder.
  - **NOTE:** The threaded crosshead end of the rod is 1/8" (3mm) smaller than the inside diameter of the packing however, it is recommend to use the piston rod entering sleeve (VRC29492) for this particular installation procedure.
- 4. Compress the piston rings with your fingers as you carefully slide the piston rod assembly into the crankend cylinder. Be very careful not to pinch your fingers.
- 5. Make sure the crosshead is all the way back of its throw.



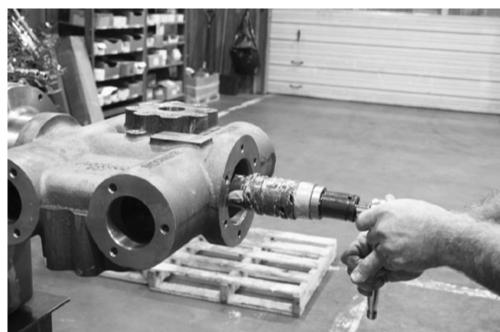
6. Remove the entering sleeve tool from the piston rod.

Remove Entering Sleeve



- 7. Install the piston rod jam nut (VRC24909) on the Steeple cylinder piston rod. Make sure that the raised flat surface of the nut will be against the crosshead.
  - 8. Screw the piston rod jam nut to the end of the threads.
  - 9. Continue to turn the piston and rod assembly until it begins to thread into the crosshead.
  - 10. Using the piston nut adaptor tool (VRC29490) screw the piston rod assembly into the crosshead while the crosshead is all the way to the back of its throw.

NOTE: Continue screwing in the piston rod assembly until the piston is approximately 1/16" from the crank-end head (see section 4.10.12 for Setting Initial Piston Clearance).



## **5.4.3 Steeple Cylinder - Setting Piston Clearance**

See section 4.10.14 "Setting Final Piston Clearance"

#### 5.4.4 Steeple Cylinder - Piston Rod Run Out

See section 4.10.15 "Piston Run Out"

## 5.5 Steeple Cylinders - Piston Rod Pressure Packing

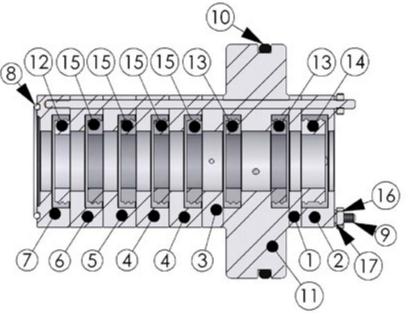


Figure 5.2 - Steeple Cylinder Pressure Packing Exploded View

PACK	PACKING CASE				
NUMBER	PART NUMBER	DESCRIPTION	QTY		
1	VRC23321	SPACER, PACKING CASE	1		
2	VRC23351	CUP, PACKING, WIPER	1		
3	VRC23311	SPACER, PRIMARY VENT	1		
4	VRC23241	CUP, PACKING, CENTER	2		
5	VRC23231	CUP, PACKING, LUBE	1		
6	VRC23221	CUP, PACKING, PLAIN	1		
7	VRC23211	CUP, PACKING, BOTTOM	1		
8	VRC23106	GASKET, WIRE, PACKING CASE NOSE	1		
9	VRC23118	STUD, PACKING CASE	3		
10	VRC23104	O-RING, PACKING CASE MOUNTING FLANGE	1		
11	VRC23201	FLANGE, PACKING CASE	1		
12	VRC23411	RING, PACKING, PRESSURE BREAKER	1		
13	VRC23431	RING, PACKING, DOUBLE ACTING	2		
14	VRC23441	RING, PACKING, WIPER	1		
15	VRC23421	RING, PACKING, SINGLE ACTING	4		
16	VRC23109	NUT, LOCK, PACKING CASE STUD	3		
17	VRC23001A	CASE, PACKING ASSEMBLY	1		

#### 5.5.1 Steeple Cylinder - Piston Rod Pressure Packing Removal

See section 4.11.2 "Piston Rod Pressure Packing Removal"

#### 5.5.2 Steeple Cylinder - Piston Rod Pressure Packing Assembly and Installation

See section 4.11.3 "Piston Rod Pressure Packing Reassembly and Installation"

#### 5.6 Steeple Cylinder - Valve Removal

- CAUTION: Before removing any valve cover, be sure that ALL pressure from the compressor cylinder has been vented. The pressure must be completely vented from both the suction and discharge passages of the cylinder.
- 1. Slightly loosen all the screws on each valve cover. With all the screws loosened, the cover should stay in its original position. If there are signs of the cover pushing out on its own STOP IMME-DIATELY! You MUST take proper steps to completely vent the cylinder before proceeding (see CAUTION above).
- 2. After the pressure from the cylinder has been discharged, remove the valve cover screws.
- 3. Remove the valve. Remove the valve by hand or use a valve tool which attaches to the valve center bolt.
  - NOTE: The thread size of the valve tool will depend on the size of the valve. See the table below for the different sized valve installation tools and part numbers.

VALVE INSTALLATION TOOL SIZE			
PART NUMBER	TOOL, VALVE INSTALLATION		
VRC29463	2.25" - 4.0" CYLINDERS 1/4" & 5/16" THREADS		
VRC29464	4.5" - 8.0" CYLINDERS 3/8" & 1/2" THREADS		

Table 5.3 - Valve Installation Tool Size Table

4. The valve seat gasket may remain in the pocket or the gasket may fall into the gas passage. A Small magnet on a flexible extension rod will help retrieve the gasket from the passage. The gasket should be replaced after several uses or each time the valves are replaced.

#### 5.6.1 Steeple Cylinder - Valve Selection

Arrow uses Hoerbiger manufactured valves. Depending on the pressure conditions of the specific application, it may be necessary to change the valve springs to lighter or heavier springs.

Contact your Arrow representative for assistance regarding valve and spring selection.

#### 5.6.2 Steeple Cylinder - Valve Reassembly

- 1. The 1/32" (0.8 mm) thick soft metallic flat gasket should be coated with an anti-seize lubricant. It can then be inserted into the valve pocket. Be careful not to let the gasket fall into the gas passage.
- 2. Using the valve tool (see Table 5.3 "Valve Installation Tool Size") insert the valve and the retainer into the pocket together.
- 3. Insert the cover and tighten the screws evenly to the recommended torque of 82 ftlbs. If the assembly is correct, the distance from the underside of the cover to the cylinder will be approximately 1/8" (3 mm).
  - NOTE: Be certain all parts gasket faces, and mating surfaces are absolutely clean.
- 4. Install the suction and discharge valves in the crank-end of the crank-end cylinder.
- 5. Leave the suction valve gasket, and retainer out of the suction valve port, and put a blank valve in the discharge valve port of the head-end of the crank-end cylinder.
- 6. Insert valves into the head-end cylinder.
- 7. Insert one (1) suction and one (1) discharge valve in the head-end cylinder of the Steeple cylinder

#### 5.6.3 Steeple Cylinder - Valve Covers

Proper tightening technique is essential for sealing of the valve covers. It is important to draw up screws to full torque in even and gradual steps.

- 1. Install the valve assembly with the flat gasket and valve retainer, in the valve pocket (See section 4.12.4 "Valve Reassembly In Cylinder").
- 2. DO NOT use anti-seize compounds on the valve cover screws. Tighten each screw until snug using a criss-cross torque pattern.
- 3. Next tighten each screw to full torque of 82 ftlbs.
  - CAUTION: Severe personal injury and property damage can result if valve cover screws are not installed to the proper torque of 82 ftlbs.

## -6-LUBRICATION SYSTEM ASSEMBLY & INSTALLATION

#### **6.1 Lubrication System Overview**

Proper lubrication is critical for long life and proper functionality of a compressor.

Maximum allowable oil temperature into the VRC-2 Compressor frame is 250°F (121°C), thus proper lubrication will help the compressor run efficiently with minimum friction and wear.

Below are a few ways proper lubrication helps the compressor perform optimally:

- Reduces friction Reducing the friction within a compressor and decreases the amount of energy it takes to run the compressor and reduces the heat a compressor creates while performing.
- Reduces wear and tear Reducing wear and tear prolongs the life of the compressor and all of the compressor's working parts. Proper lubrication reduces maintenance and repair costs.
- Lubrication cools rubbing surfaces This extends the life of the constantly moving and rubbing parts within the compressor. It also removes heat build-up caused by these rubbing parts.
- Prevents corrosive build up Prevents rust and lessens corrosion on surfaces and friction heat.
- **Seals and reduces impurities** Improves piston and packing ring(s) seals and flushes away impurities from moving parts.
- **Decreases shock and vibration** Shocks and vibrations are softened reducing noise and vibration thus extending the life of the compressor and its parts.

Lubricants most often used in compressors are petroleum based oils and synthetic fluids. Lubricant additives are used to better the viscosity index, slow down oxidation, lower the lubricant pour point, slow down rust accumulations, help improve detergency, provide anti-wear protection, supply extreme pressure protection, reduce gas dilution, enhance "wetability", prevent washing away of lubricants due to water, wet or saturated gas within the gas stream.

- **Viscosity index** is the measure of the ability of oil to resist "breakdown" caused by increase oil temperature.
- Lubricity is a the measure of the degree of lubrication.
- **Wetability** is the measure of the lubricants' ability to adhere to a metal surface.

#### **6.1.1 Petroleum Based Oils**

Two types of petroleum based oils, also called mineral oils, are Paraffinic and Napthenic.

Paraffinic has better resistance to thinning at greater temperatures than napthenic. Paraffinic also has a higher wax content than napthenic.

Napthenic allows for better flow of lubricant and is better for cold start-ups. It has a lower resistance to thinning at higher temperatures compared to Paraffinic. Napthenic has lower life/oxidation stability and leaves soft carbon deposits or residues on discharge valves and other moving parts.

#### **6.1.2 Synthetic Lubricants**

Synthetic oils or lubricants are oils consisting of chemical compounds which were not originally present in the petroleum product but were artificially made from other compounds. The synthetic lubricants can be substituted for petroleum based lubricants. When synthetics are substituted for petroleum based lubricants it generally provides superior mechanical and chemical properties over those found in the traditional mineral oils. Synthetics also assist with energy savings, reduced lubricant usage and increased compressor life which results in decreased equipment maintenance and compressor downtime.

Synthetics usually are designed for better viscosity, increased oxidation resistance, better lubricity, lower volatility, and greatly decreases operating temperatures. Some synthetic lubricants can be used in the compressor frame. Please consult with your lubrication supplier for more information regarding the use of these lubricants in the compressor frame.

- **Synthesized Hydrocarbons** polyalphaolefins (PAO) may be used as compressor lubricants
- Organic Esters diesters and polyolesters
- **Polyglycols** polyalkylene glycols (PAG), polyethers, polygylcolethers, and polyalkylene glycol ethers.

Cylinder oils are a special compound of lubricants created for use in compressor cylinders. The compounds used can be a petroleum or synthetic base. These lubricants are created to enhance oil film strength and to offset the affects of water, wet gas and solvents that might be present in the gas.

#### **6.1.3 Compressor Frame Lubricants**

Arrow Engine Company recommends a good quality mineral oil which provides the proper lubrication, heat removal, oxidation prohibitors, prevents rust and corrosion build-up, and decreases wear and tear from day to day operation.

When compressing clean, dry, pipeline quality gas, the oil Arrow recommends for the VRC-2 compressor should be a SAE 30 weight (ISO 100 grade) oil for normal operation.

Arrow Engine Company typically uses an Industrial Oils Limited "Hi-TeK TAGE GEO SAE 30" oil in the compressor frame, cylinder lubrication system and engines.

The maximum viscosity of lubrication oil for cold ambient temperature starting is 15,000 SUS (3300 cSt), typically  $40^{\circ}$ F ( $4^{\circ}$ C) for SAE 30 weight (ISO 100 grade) oil, or  $55^{\circ}$ F ( $13^{\circ}$ C) for SAE 40 weight (ISO 150 grade) oil.

The minimum viscosity at operating temperature is 60 SUS (10 cSt).

Low ash or no ash oils are recommended as high ash oils can increase maintenance requirements. Any additives used must not be corrosive or damaging to lead or copper based bearing material.

The frame driven oil pumps use a spring loaded regulating valve (VRC28350) to maintain oil pressure. The system pressure can be raised or lowered by adjusting the valve. Discharge side of the lube oil filter is set for 50 psig. If the lubrication oil pressure drops below 40 psig, the cause should be found immediately. Low lube oil pressure shutdown, set at 35 psig, is required for compressor protection.

Minimum lube oil operating temperature is  $150^{\circ}$ F ( $66^{\circ}$ C). This is the minimum temperature required to eliminate water vapor. The VRC-2 compressor is equipped with a simplex, spin-on filter.

The VRC-2 compressor frame lubricating oil should be changed at regular maintenance cycles 6 months or 4,000 hours. More frequent oil changes may be necessary if the compressor is operating in a extremely dirty environment or if the oil supplier recommends it. Oil sampling should be done on a regular basis to verify the oil integrity for continued service. Decreasing or increasing the viscosity grade below or higher to the original oil viscosity will require a complete oil change. Viscosity testing should be performed at 212°F (100°C).

#### **6.1.4 Cylinder and Packing Lubrication Requirements**

Requirements for cylinder lubrication will vary with operating conditions and the make up of the gas that is to be compressed. Arrow Engine Company recommends using the same oil as used in the compressor frame when compressing sweet natural gas, although other oils may be suitable.

Just as lack of lubrication can damage the compressor, over lubrication can cause operational issues and compressor damage as well. Excessive lubrication can cause oil carryover into the gas stream and thus increase the amount of deposits in the valves and gas passages. Valve plate breakage and packing failure are symptoms of over lubrication. The excessive lubrication will force the packing rings to lift off the rod just enough to form a leak path. Increased gas leakage results in packing and rod over heating.

If symptoms indicate lack of lubrication; first verify that the cylinder lubrication pumps are operating properly, confirm that the distribution block cycle time matches cycle times shown in Table 6.2 "Divider Block Selection and Cycle Time". Double check all tubing and fittings making sure they are tight and no leakage is present. Do not forget to check the fittings inside the compressor frame.

To set the proper cylinder lubrication pump flow rate, the cycle time indicator on the distribution block is to be observed. Time the cycle from flash to flash as observed on the magnetic cycle indicator assembly.

- **NOTE:** The pumps can become inconsistent when set too low. When adjusting the cylinder lubrication pump, set for the appropriate cycle time, DO NOT set the pumps at too low a flow rate.
- The cylinder lubrication pumps should be able to deliver twice the normal required lube rate for the break in period. Read the information on lubricators provided in this manual for further details.
- NOTE: The lubrication recommendation given in this manual are to be used as guidelines. If the
  recommended lubricants or flow rates DO NOT appear to work properly, the flow rates and/
  or lubricant type may need to be changed. Please contact the lubricant supplier for specific
  lubricant recommendations.

Warranty of component failures which occur while using lubricants which do not meet these specifications mentioned in this manual will be subject to review on a case by case basis.

# 6.2 Lubrication System Assembly and Installation6.2.1 Lubrication System Assembly and Installation Introduction

Installation of the VRC-2 Compressor lubrication system is a very detailed task that is made up of two main installation procedures, the chain drive system and the belt drive system. To help ease the installation process, we have broken down the installation procedures for the lube system into these two main procedures and their associated sub-topics and procedures that make up the entire lubrication system.

Lubrication System Installation Procedure Outline

#### 1. The Frame Lubrication (Chain Drive) System Installation

- i. The Chain Idler Assembly
  - Sprocket Alignment
- ii. Chain Tensioner Adjustment
- iii. Frame Oil Pump Tubing
  - Oil Pressure Relief Valve Installation
  - Frame Oil Strainer To Pump Tubing Assembly
  - Relief Valve To Sump Tubing Assembly
  - Relief Valve To Filter Inlet Tubing Assembly

#### 2. The Cylinder Lubrication (Belt Drive) System Installation

- i. Lube Pump/Integral Bearing Shaft/Cylinder Lube Pump Mounting Flange installation
- ii. Belt Tensioner Assembly
- iii. Belt Tensioner Bearing
  - Belt Tensioner Assembly Installation
- iv. Idler Bearing Assembly Installation

#### 6.2.2 Frame Lubricating System (Chain Drive) - Description

The frame lubrication system supplies oil to the internal frame running gear such as the crankshaft, connecting rods, crosshead pins and crossheads. The cylinder's lubrication originates from the cylinder lubrication system (see section 6.4 for information on "Cylinder Lubrication System"). Sight glass on the accessory side of the frame displays the oil level in the sump. The proper oil level is when the oil is in the center of the sight glass. It is important that the oil level does NOT exceed two-thirds (2/3) of the sight glass or over lubrication can occur.

Frame lubrication is drawn from the sump through the suction strainer into the oil pump that is mounted on the accessory side of the compressor frame. The pump's discharge is piped to a Oil pressure relief valve (VRC28350) used to regulate the oil pressure. Oil flows to the oil filter (VRC28310) mounted on the accessory end of the frame.

Oil then flows from the filter to the six (6) port manifold (VRC28120) and then to the oil slinger system (VRC28100).

Oil then travels to the crankshaft, connecting rods, and crosshead pin. Oil also flows from the 6 port manifold to the crosshead guides.

## **6.3 Chain Drive System Parts**

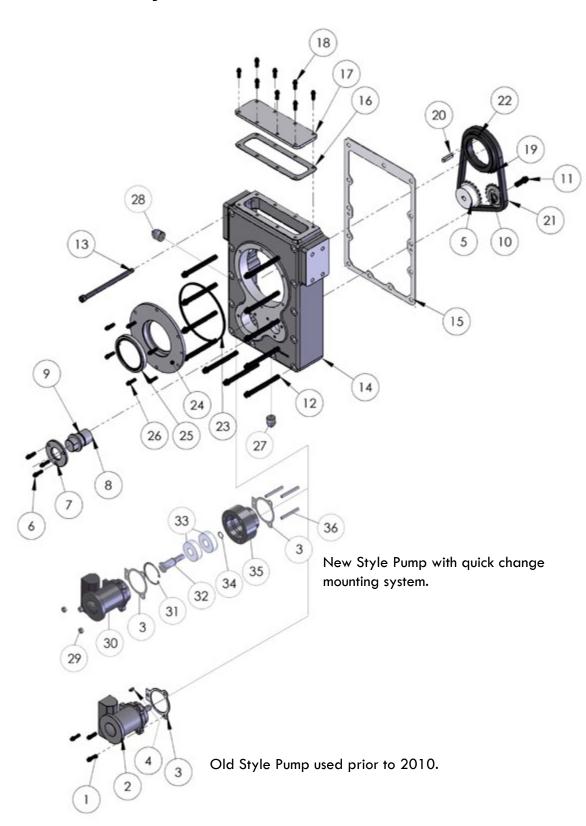


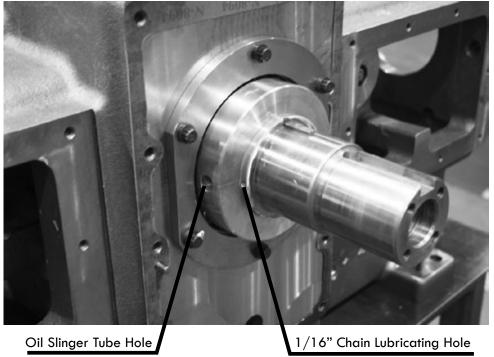
Figure 6.1 - Lubrication System - Chain Drive Exploded View

# • FRAME • FRAME (CHAIN DRIVE) LUBRICATION SYSTEM

ITEM N U M - BER	PART NUMBER	DESCRIPTION	PART QTY
1	VRC28027	SCREW, PUMP, FRAME OIL, 12 PT	3
2	VRC28300	PUMP, OIL, FRAME (Old Style)	1
3	VRC28305	GASKET, PUMP, FRAME OIL	2
4	VRC28236	KEY, SPROCKET	1
5	VRC28232	SPROCKET, DRIVE, FRAME OIL PUMP	1
6	VRC28027	SCREW, CLAMP, IDLER CHAIN, 12 PT	3
7	VRC28253	CLAMP, IDLER, CHAIN	1
8	VRC28250	IDLER, CHAIN, FRAME OIL PUMP	1
9	VRC28254	O-RING, IDLER, CHAIN	1
10	VRC28220	SPROCKET, IDLER, CHAIN	1
11	VRC28227	SCREW, IDLER, SPROCKET, 12 PT	1
12	VRC28007	SCREW, HOUSING, 12 PT	11
13	VRC28067	SCREW, HOUSING AND IDLER (Socket Head)	1
14	VRC28000	HOUSING, LUBE OIL DRIVE	1
15	VRC28005	GASKET, HOUSING, LUBE OIL DRIVE	1
16	VRC28015	GASKET, COVERPLATE, HOUSING	1
17	VRC28010	COVERPLATE, HOUSING, LUBE OIL DRIVE	1
18	VRC28017	SCREW, HOUSING COVERPLATE, 12 PT	8
19	VRC28248	SPROCKET, CRANKSHAFT DRIVE	1
20	VRC28206	KEY, DRIVE SPROCKET	1
21	VRC28200	CHAIN, DRIVE, ENDLESS RIVETED	1
22	VRC28239	SETSCREW, DRIVE SPROCKET	1
23	VRC28022	O-RING, RETAINER, OIL SEAL	1
24	VRC28020	RETAINER, OIL SEAL CRANKSHAFT	1
25	VRC28024	SEAL, OIL, CRANKSHAFT	2
26	VRC28027	SCREW, SEAL RETAINER, 12 PT	6
27	VRC21529	PLUG, PIPE, 1/2" NPT	1
28	VRC21519	PLUG, PIPE, 1" NPT	1
29	VRC28489	NUT, BELT GUARD & OIL PUMP	3
30	VRC28301	PUMP, OIL, FRAME - WITH TANG SHAFT	1
31	VRC28335	RING, RETAINING, LARGE, PUMP MOUNT	1
32	VRC28332	SHAFT, PUMP MOUNT, FRAME OIL	1
33	VRC28333	BEARING, SHAFT, PUMP MOUNT	2
34	VRC28334	RING, RETAINING, SMALL, PUMP MOUNT	1
35	VRC28331	MOUNT, PUMP, FRAME OIL	1
36	VRC28337	STUD, PUMP MOUNT	3

#### 6.3.1 Frame Lubrication System (Chain Drive) - Preparation and Installation

1. Lubricate the crankshaft and oil slinger (VRC28100).



- 2. Slide the oil slinger onto the crankshaft making sure the 1/16" chain lubricating hole points out and the oil slinger tube hole points to the left hand side (to throw number 2).
- 3. Check to make sure the slinger moves freely on the crankshaft.
- 4. Insert the drive sprocket key (VRC28206) into the crankshaft key way.



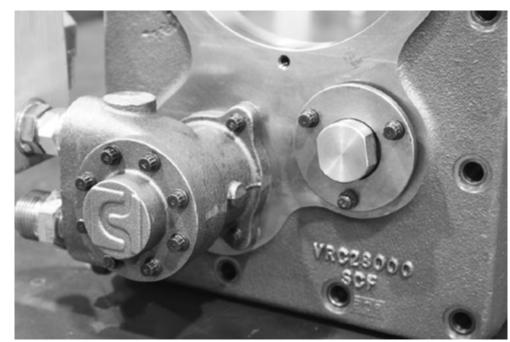
Installing crankshaft drive sprocket (VRC28248) using a brass punch

5. Install crankshaft drive sprocket (VRC28248). The teeth of the sprocket should be towards the oil slinger and the integral retainer toward the end of the shaft.

NOTE: This is a tight fit. You may need to tap the drive sprocket with a rubber mallet or brass punch to insert the drive sprocket properly.



- 6. Tighten set screw with a 5/32" allen wrench.
- Insert housing dowel pins (VRC28006) into frame with hammer until they are seated in holes.



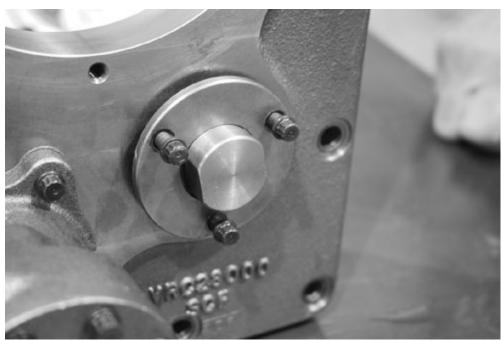
8. Mount frame oil pump (VRC28300A) to housing using the oil pump gasket (VRC28305) and oil pump screws (VRC28307).

#### **6.3.2 Chain Idler Assembly Installation (Chain Drive Installation)**

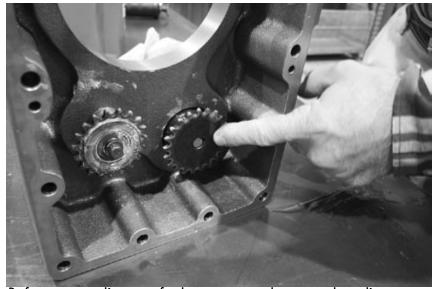
1. Lubricate the chain idler O-ring (VRC28254).



- 2. Seat the O-ring into the O-ring groove in the frame oil pump idler (VRC28250).
- 3. Insert idler into housing.



4. Install the chain idler clamp (VRC28253) over the chain idler and secure with three (3) idler chain clamp screws (VRC28257).



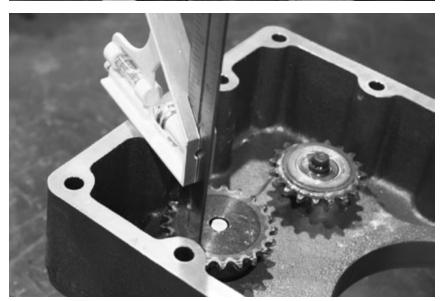
Before proceeding any further you must do a sprocket alignment.

# 5. From the inside of the housing, install the key to the frame oil pump shaft (VRC28236). Then slide the oil pump drive sprocket (VRC28232) onto the shaft. DO NOT TIGHTEN. You must do a sprocket alignment first before you tighten.

Inside of housing indicating where to install key to the frame oil pump shaft (VRC28236)

#### **Sprocket Alignment Procedures**





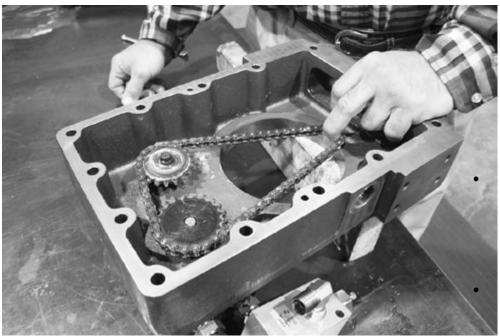
i. Using a combination square, measure the distance from the flat surface on the face of the housing to the flat surface of the teeth of the idler sprocket. Adjustment is made on the oil pump sprocket to match the dimensions that are measured from the housing face to the idler sprocket.

Measuring the distance from the flat surface on the face of the housing to the flat surface of the teeth of the idler sprocket.

Measuring the distance from the flat surface on the face of the housing to the flat surface of the teeth of the oil pump sprocket.

To adjust the oil pump sprocket, simply move the sprocket up and down on the shaft.

ii. After all measurements and any adjustments have been made too the pump sprocket, tighten the sets screws on the sprocket. You may now continue with chain installation.



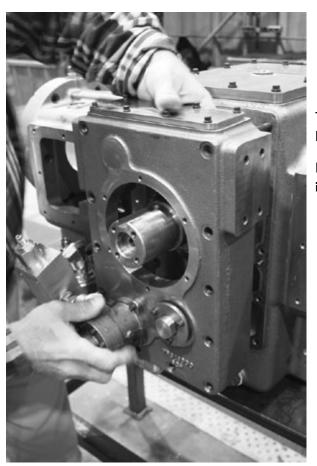


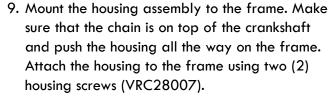
6. After sprocket alignment is complete, install the endless riveted drive chain (VRC28200) over the idler and oil pump sprockets.

NOTE: Endless riveted drive chains do NOT have a master link and are NOT directional.

NOTE: Hold the chain with your finger (as show in picture) towards the top of the housing. Keep the chain tight on the sprockets while mounting the housing onto the frame.

- 7. Lift drive chain and housing at the same time and prepare to mount the drive chain/housing assembly to the frame.
- 8. Install the lube oil housing gasket (VRC28005).





The dowel pins installed (see section 6.3.1 "Frame Lubrication System (Chain Drive)

Preparation and Installation" step 7 picture) will aid in the alignment when installing the housing to frame.

 NOTE: You may use alignment studs for additional help with alignment when mounting the housing to the frame.



10. With the housing assembly securely in place, loosen the idler clamp screws and turn the idler so that the chain is in its most slack position.



- 11. Place the chain on the crankshaft drive sprocket.
- 12. Insert the remaining housing screws and tighten them.



3. Turn the idler clockwise (very slight turns) enough to loosen the chain so that there is a 1/4" of play or sag.

## It is important that the chain is not too tight and has some sag or play!



chain idler clamp.

5. Turn crankshaft to make sure that the chain does not bind and everything is operating correctly.

4. After adjustment is complete, tighten screws on the

6. After turning the crankshaft, check to make sure the chain has not loosened.

## **6.3.3 Chain Tension Adjustment - (Chain Drive Installation)**

1. Turn the chain idler counter-clock wise until chain is snug (not tight). DO NOT OVER TIGHTEN.



Check the slack side of the chain with your fingers then install the crankshaft bar over adapter tool (VRC21140).

Rotate the crankshaft until the chain is at it tightest position on the slack side. This usually occurs when the crankshaft key is in the up or down position.

#### **6.3.4 Chain Drive and Sprocket Replacement**

The chain should be replaced if the elongation exceeds 0.084" or 2.1336 mm over a 10 pitch length or if abnormal wear is observed on the chain and or sprockets.

#### 6.3.5 Chain Idler Sprocket Replacement - Eccentric Idler Adjustment

If there is appreciable wear on the chain or sprocket, Arrow recommends replacing the chain and all sprockets.

- All sprockets include: Sprocket, Idler, Chain (VRC28220)
- Sprocket, Crankshaft Drive (VRC28248)
- Sprocket, Drive, Frame Oil Pump (VRC28232)

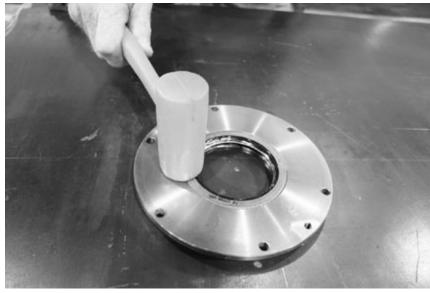
#### 6.3.6 Oil Slinger Tube and Fitting Installation (Chain Drive Installation)

1. Lubricate and insert O-ring (VRC28104) on both ends of the oil slinger tube (VRC28110).



- 2. Insert the oil slinger tube into the oil slinger tube fitting (VRC28130).
- 3. Install oil slinger fitting gasket (VRC28125) on the fitting and insert the fitting gasket and tube into the opening in the side of the housing.
- 4. Make sure the oil slinger tube engages into the hole in the side of the oil slinger. It may be necessary to rotate the slinger on the crankshaft until the hole in the slinger is aligned with the opening in the side of the housing.
- Screw in the fitting making sure nothing is binding.

#### 6.3.7 Crankshaft Oil Seal Installation (Chain Drive Installation)



1. Install crankshaft oil seal (VRC28024) into the accessory-end bearing retainer (VRC21120) using a bench press or gently tap the seal into place using a rubber mallet.

Caution must be taken when using a mallet to keep from damaging the seal!

- 2. Apply lubricant to the oil seal retainer O-ring (VRC28022).
- 3. Install O-ring to the oil seal retainer.



4. Using the special tool, oil seal entering sleeve (VRC29482), insert the tool into the seal.



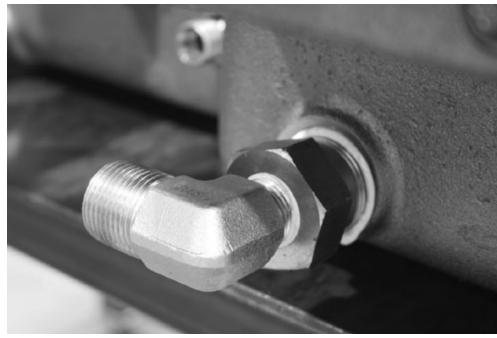


5. Carefully slide the retainer on to the shaft installing the retainer so that the retainer puller holes are positioned horizontally.



- 6. After installing the retainer, remove the oil seal entering sleeve tool.
- 7. Screw in the six (6) retainer screws (VRC21117) and tighten.
- 8. Install lube oil drive housing cover plate (VRC28010) and housing cover plate gasket (VRC28015) using cover plate housing screws (VRC28017).

# 6.3.8 Frame Oil Pump Tubing Installation - Frame Oil Strainer to Pump Tubing Assembly

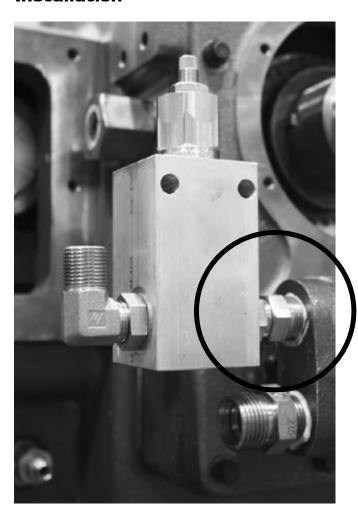


- 1. Install fitting
  (VRC28871) into
  the oil strainer
  (VRC28341) with
  the 90° outlet pointing toward throw
  number 2.
- 2. Install frame oil pump inlet fitting (VRC28872) in the bottom inlet hole of the pump.



3. Install strainer to pump tubing (VRC28875-13.3) between the oil strainer and the inlet to the frame oil pump.

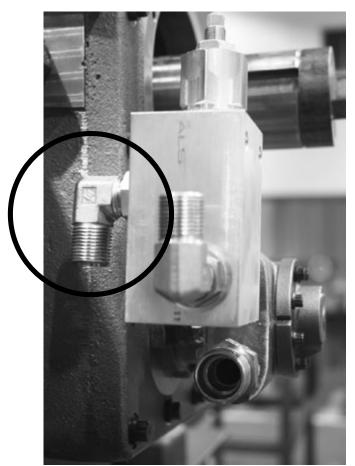
# **6.3.9 Frame Oil Pump Tubing Installation - Oil Pressure Relief Valve Installation**



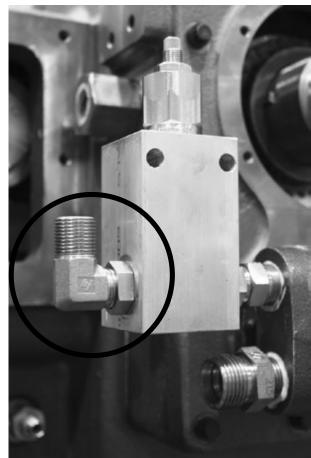
 Install the pump to relief valve (RV) fitting (VRC28801) in the inlet of the top outlet hole of the pump. (For more information regarding the relief valve, see section 6.6.1)



2. Screw the relief valve on to the pump to RV fitting and tighten the lock-nut so that the relief valve is in the upright position.



3. Install relief valve (RV) to sump tubing assembly (VRC28812A). Install fitting (VRC28815) in the outlet (Port #2) with  $90^{\circ}$  outlet pointing down.



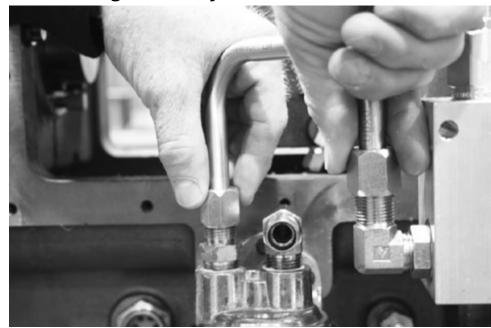
4. Install the relief valve to filter fitting (VRC28815) in the outlet of the relief valve with the  $90^{\circ}$  outlet pointing up.

# **6.3.10** Frame Oil Pump Tubing Installation - Relief Valve to Sump Tubing Assembly



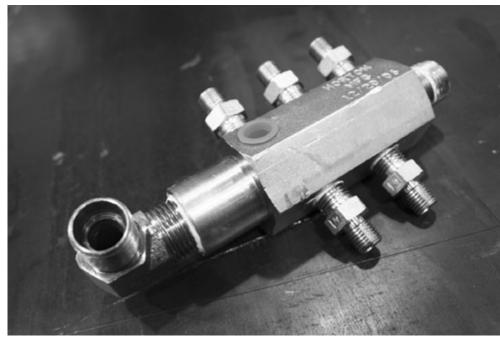
Install 1/2" tubing (VRC28850-10.7) by attaching it to the relief valve (RV) to sump fitting (VRC28815) on the relief valve and to the fitting at the bottom of the frame sump (VRC28852).

# 6.3.11 Frame Oil Pump Tubing Installation - Relief Valve to Filter Inlet Tubing Assembly

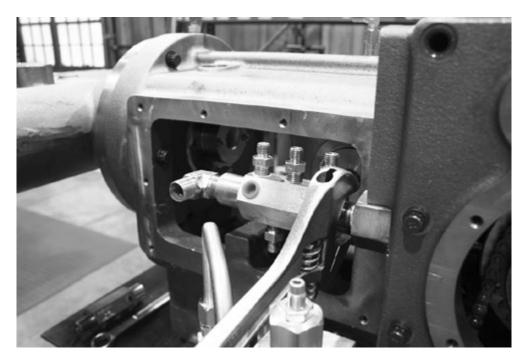


- 1. Install 1/2" tubing (VRC28850-12.5) to the fitting in the outlet of the relief valve (RV) and to the inlet fitting (VRC28851) of the filter bracket.
- Tighten all fittings associated with the relief valve.

# 6.3.12 Frame Oil Pump Tubing Installation - Filter Outlet To 6 Port Manifold Tubing Assembly



- 1. Install five (5) 1/4" fittings (VRC28821) into the three (3) ports at the top of the manifold and in the two (2) ports at the bottom of the manifold. Install the 1/2" 90° fitting (VRC28853) at the end of the manifold pointing out from the accessory end.
- 2. Apply thread sealer and install 6 port manifold (VRC28120) into the oil slinger fitting (VRC 28130).



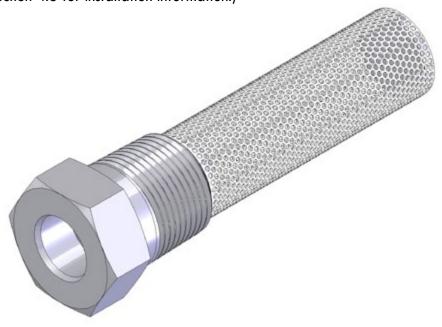
3. Install fitting (VRC28853) in the outlet of the filter bracket with 90° outlet printing out from the accessory end.



4. Install 1/2" tubing (VRC28850-13.6) between the fitting of the filter bracket and the fitting of the 6 port manifold.

## **6.3.13** Frame Oil Strainer Installation

The oil strainer is located on the accessory side of the compressor frame below the oil level. The strainer should be taken out and cleaned using the appropriate solvents each time the oil is changed. (See section 4.3 for installation information.)



#### 6.3.13.1 Frame Oil Filter

Arrow Engine recommends replacing the frame oil filter element (VRC28310) at six month intervals, at each oil change, or more frequently depending on your location and the environment your compressor is operating. It is also a good idea to heed the recommendations from your oil sample analysis. The results from oil sample analysis can be a very good indicator for the need of an oil change.

#### 6.3.13.2 Frame Oil Filter Installation

- 1. Clean filter base surface, and be certain the old gasket is removed.
- 2. Apply clean lube oil to the filter gasket.
- 3. When the gasket makes contact with the base, tighten hand tight.
- 4. Start the compressor and check for leaks. Retighten if necessary.
- 5. Replace only with an Arrow approved filter.

# 6.4 Cylinder Lubrication (Belt Drive) System6.4.1 Cylinder Lubrication System (Belt Drive) - Description

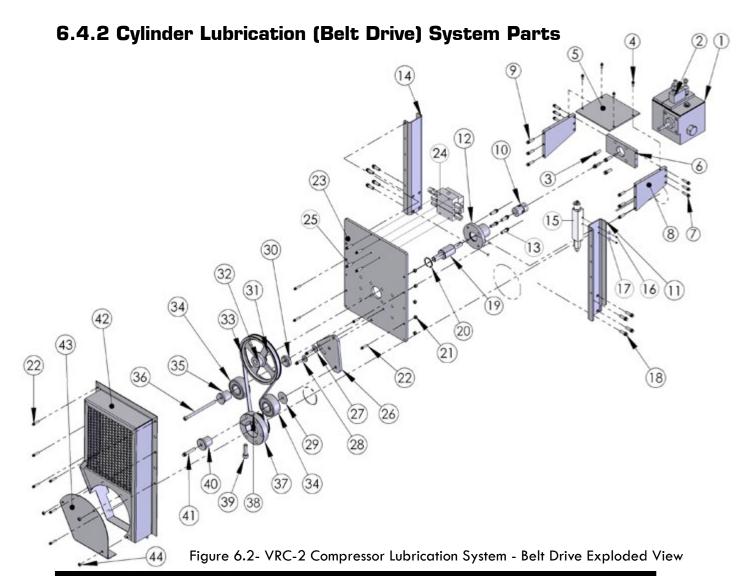
The cylinder lubrication system provides oil to the compressor cylinders and piston rod packing. The cylinders have top lubrication injection points. Oil is supplied to the suction side of the force feed lubricator pump directly from the frame lube oil system.

The lubricator has its own oil reservoir to lubricate the worm gear and cam. This reservoir is self-contained and is not fed by the lube oil system. The sight glass located on the reservoir side will show the oil level in the lubricator reservoir.

There is a purge port (VRC28630) check valve in the manifold in the discharge line of the force feed lubricator pump through which the system may be primed. Next in the manifold is a overpressure indicator (VRC28610) with a blow-out disc (VRC28611). If there is any blockage within the system, the pressure build-up will rupture the disc. Venting the system through the blow-out disc will cause the no-flow shutdown switch to activate.

The oil travels to the distribution block where each of the outlets has a check valve to prevent oil from clogging the block. Here, the lubricant is allocated to provide the amounts needed to the cylinders and packing.

Some of the oil to the packing moves through to the cylinders, but the majority of it is drained out through the oil drain fitting on the bottom of the packing case and through the flexible hose assembly terminating at a fitting in the frame, and to be run to an appropriate location by others.



• FRAME • CYLINDER LUBRICATION (BELT DRIVE) SYSTEM						
ITEM NUMBER	PART NUMBER	DESCRIPTION	PART QTY			
	VRC28500A	PUMP, OIL, CYLINDER LUBE, 3/16" w/RESERVOIR				
	VRC28502A	PUMP, OIL, CYLINDER LUBE, 1/4" w/RESERVOIR				
	VRC28504A	PUMP, OIL, CYLINDER LUBE, 3/8" w/RESERVOIR				
1	VRC28530	RESERVOIR, PUMP, CYLINDER LUBE	1			
2A	VRC28510	PUMP, OIL, CYLINDER LUBE, 3/16" *	1			
2B	VRC28512	PUMP, OIL, CYLINDER LUBE, 1/4" *	1			
2C	VRC28514	PUMP, OIL, CYLINDER LUBE, 3/8" *	1			
3	VRC21117	SCREW, LUBE OIL PUMP, 12 PT	4			
4	VRC28017	SCREW, TOP PLATE, 12 PT	4			
5	VRC28570	PLATE, TOP PUMP SUPPORT	1			
6	VRC28572	PLATE, END PUMP SUPPORT	1			
7	VRC21327	SCREW, PLATE, SIDE PUMP SUPPORT, 12 PT	6			
8	VRC28571	PLATE, SIDE PUMP SUPPORT	2			

# • FRAME • CYLINDER LUBRICATION (BELT DRIVE) SYSTEM

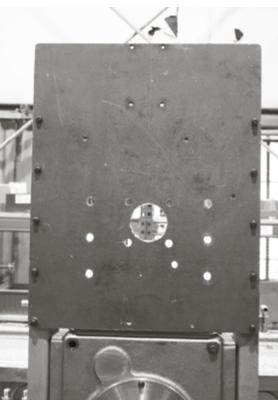
ITEM NUMBER	PART NUMBER	DESCRIPTION	PART QTY
9	VRC21117	SCREW, PLATE SUPPORT, 12 PT	6
10	VRC28573	COUPLING, SHAFT, LUBE OIL PUMP	1
11	VRC28551	SUPPORT, PLATE, MOUNTING, LEFT	1
12	VRC28560	FLANGE, MOUNTING, CYLINDER LUBE PUMP***	1
13	VRC28427	SCREW, MOUNTING FLANGE, 12PT	4
14	VRC28552	SUPPORT, PLATE, MOUNTING, RIGHT	1
15	VRC28720	SWITCH, NO-FLOW	1
16	VRC28727	SCREW, NO-FLOW SWITCH	2
17	VRC28728	LOCKNUT, NYLON, NO-FLOW SWITCH	2
18	VRC21117	SCREW, PLATE SUPPORT, 12 PT	8
19	VRC28581	SHAFT, INTEGRAL BEARING, LUBE OIL PUMP***	1
19A***	VRC28565A	FLANGE & INTEGRAL BEARING SHAFT ASSEMBLY - Incluides: VRC28560 - FLANGE, MOUNTING, CYLINDER LUBE PUMP VRC28581 - SHAFT, INTEGRAL BEARING, LUBE OIL PUMP VRC28583 - RING, RETAINING, PUMP SHAFT"	
20	VRC28583	RING, RETAINING, PUMP SHAFT***	1
21	VRC28559	NUT, LOCK, MOUNTING PLATE	10
22	VRC28557	SCREW, MOUNTING PLATE, AND BLT GRD, 12 PT	10
23	VRC28550	PLATE, MOUNTING, CYLINDER LUBE PUMP	1
24	VRC286XX	BLOCK, DIVIDER, CYLINDER LUBE OIL **	1
25	VRC28607	SCREW, DIVIDER BLOCK, 12 PT	1
26	VRC28472	PLATE, ADJUSTING BELT TENSIONER	1
27	VRC28476	WASHER, ADJUSTING PLATE 3/8"	1
28	VRC21117	SCREW, ADJUSTING BELT TENSIONER, 12 PT	2
29	VRC28475	WASHER, BELT TENSIONER	1
30	VRC28473	SPACER, IDLER, ECCENTRIC BELT	1
31	VRC28465	SHEAVE, BELT, DRIVEN, LUBE PUMP	1
32	VRC28239	SETSCREW, DRIVE SPROCKET	1
33	VRC28400	BELT, DRIVE, CYLINDER LUBE PUMP	1
34	VRC28470	BEARING, IDLER AND TENSIONER, BELT	2
35	VRC28474	SLEEVE, IDLER, ECCENTRIC BELT	1
36	VRC28067	SCREW, HOUSING AND IDLER (Socket Head)	1
37	VRC28425	SHEAVE, BELT, DRIVE, LUBE PUMP	1
38	VRC28429	SET SCREW, SHEAVE, BELT, DRIVEN, LUBE PUMP	1
39	VRC25017	SCREW, SHEAVE, DRIVE, LUBE PUMP, 12 PT	1
40	VRC28471	SLEEVE, TENSIONER, BELT	1
41	VRC28477	SCREW, IDLER SHEAVE, 12 PT	1
42	VRC28480	GUARD, BELT, CYLINDER LUBE PUMP	1
43	VRC28481	COVER, ACCESSORY DRIVE, BELT GUARD	1
44	VRC28559	NUT, BELT GUARD	3
		k section 6.1 for required pump size.	
V V V		k section 6.1 for required block part number.	
*** Asser	mbly not shown		

# **6.5 Cylinder Lubrication (Belt Drive) System - Preparation and Installation**

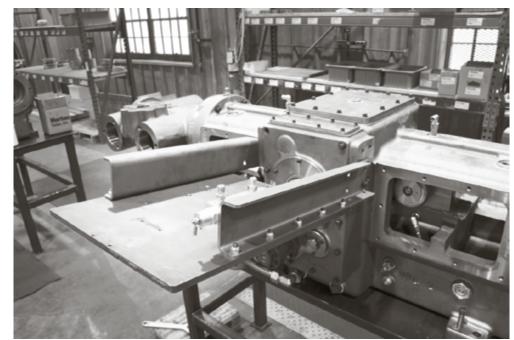
Inspect all parts for nicks, marring or damage. Also, make sure all parts of the Frame Lubrication System are clean and free from any dirt or other foreign substance.



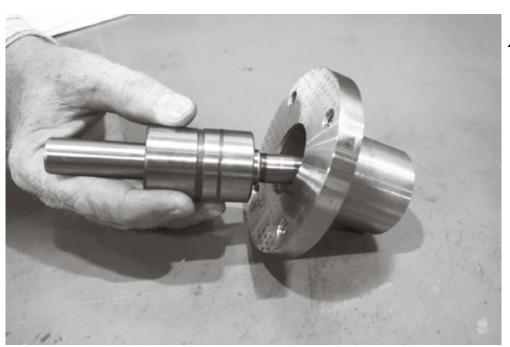
 Install the Left Mounting Plate Support (VRC28552) and Right Mounting Plate Support (VRC28551) to the appropriate sides of the housing using the plate support screws (VRC28547).



2. Attach the mounting plate so that the tapped holes for the belt tensioner are on the right hand side (right hand side as you are looking at the accessary side of the compressor). Attach the mounting plate to the supports using the mounting plate screws (VRC28557) and mounting plate lock nuts (VRC28550).



3. Remove all but one
(1) screw from each
side of the mounting plate support
and then angle the
mounting plate and
support assembly
downward. Doing this will make
the rest of the belt
drive assembly
easier to install.



4. Assemble the lube oil pump integral bearing shaft (VRC28581) into the cylinder lube pump mounting flange (VRC28560).

NOTE: The flange and integral bearing shaft assembly (VRC28565A) may be purchase from Arrow as an assembly.

# **6.5.1 Lube Oil Pump Integral Bearing Shaft and Cylinder Lube Pump Mounting**

Flange Installation (if not purchased as an assembly).

- 1. Insert small end of bearing shaft into the mounting flange.
- 2. Lube the bearing surface and inside the flange.
- 3. Press the bearing into the flange using the appropriate bench press.



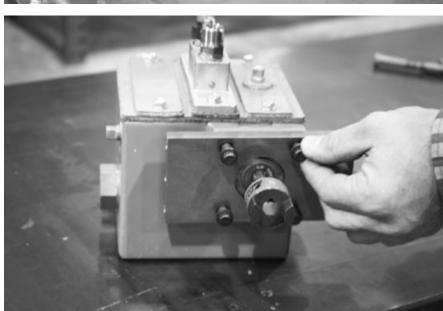
- 4. Insert pump shaft retaining ring (VRC28583) using snap ring pliers.

  Make sure the ring properly seats in the groove inside the flange.
- 5. Using four
  (4) screws
  (VRC21117), install
  the mounting flange
  on the mounting
  plate. Install these
  screws from the cylinder lube oil pump
  side of the mounting plate.
- 6. Install the lube oil pump shaft coupling (VRC28573) by first separating the coupling. Install the large diameter hole end on the integral bearing shaft. The small hole end installs on the shaft of the cylinder lube oil pump.

**NOTE:** It may necessary to polish the inside diameter of the coupling holes to make it fit easier to the shaft.

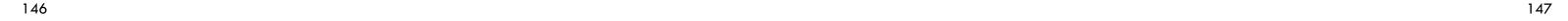
Do not tighten the set screws on the coupler until final assembly.

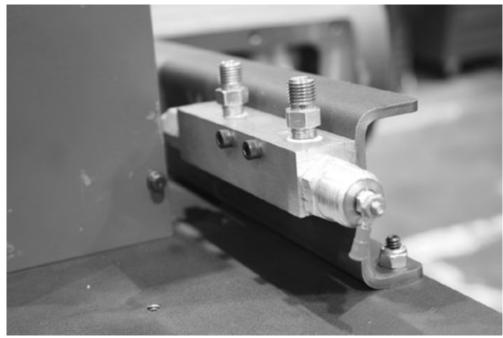




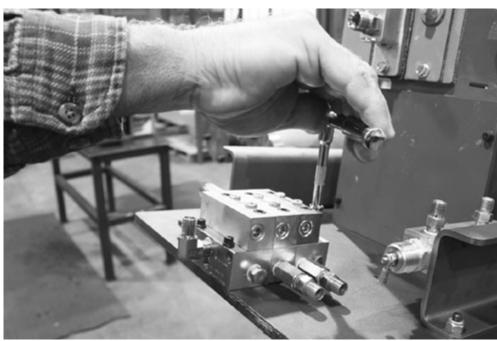


- 7. Attach the pump support side plates (VRC28572) to the mounting plate using six (6) screws (VC21117) three (3) screws for each side support plate. These screws should be hand tightened and left hand tight until all screws in the supports have been installed.
- 8. Install pump support end plate (VRC28572) to the cylinder lube oil pump (VRC28500) using four (4) screws and tighten.
- Attach the cylinder lube oil pump and pump support end plate assembly to the side plates making sure the two coupling halves engage properly.
- 10. Fasten the end plate and side plate with six (6) screws (VRC21327) making sure the end plate and side plate are square and then tighten screws.
- 11. Push the two pieces of the coupler together and tighten set screws on coupler using 1/4" allen wrench.
- 12. Mount the top pump support plate (VRC28570) using four (4) screws (VRC28017) and then tighten.





13. Attach noflow switch (VRC28720) (for more information about the no-flow switch, see section 6.15) to the right side mounting plate support using two (2) screws (VRC28727) and tighten securely.



14. Mount cylinder lube oil divider block (see Table 6.2 "Divider Block Selection and Cycle Time" or the VRC-2 Compressor Parts Manual for specific size for your compressor configuration) to the back of the mounting plate using four (4) screws (VRC28607) and tighten.



- 15. Return the housing and mounting plate side supports to the original upright position. Snug (DO NOT TIGHTEN) the mounting plate screws (VRC28557) to allow position of the assembly for proper belt alignment.
- 16. Belt Tensioner Assembly
  - Lubricate the eccentric belt idler sleeve (VRC28474) and inside of idler bearing (VRC28470).
  - ii. Assemble the belt tension idler assembly by pressing the eccentric belt idler sleeve onto the tensioner bearing (VRC28470).

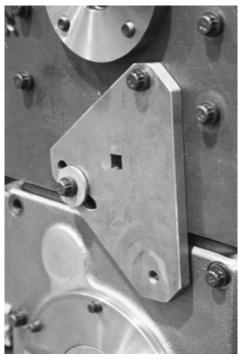


- iii. Install eccentric belt idler spacer (VRC28473) and insert eccentric idler bearing screw (VRC28471).
- iv. Lubricate the belt tensioner sleeve and bearing.
- v. Press belt tensioner sleeve into bearing. Using appropriate bench press.
- vi. Insert belt tensioner screw (VRC28467) into the belt tensioner sleeve (VRC29471) through the belt tensioner washer (VRC28475) and onto the belt tensioner adjusting plate.

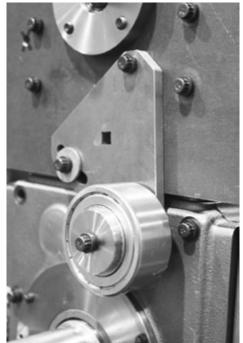


## **6.5.2 Installing Belt Idler Assembly**

1. Insert the idler bearing screw (VRC28477) into the eccentric idler sleeve (VRC28474) and through the eccentric idler spacer (VRC28473).



2. Mount the belt tensioner adjusting plate (VRC28472) using two (2) screws (VRC21117). There will be one (1) screw at the top of the adjusting plate and one (1) at the slotted adjusting hole using an adjusting plate washer (VRC28476).



- 3. Attach the belt tensioner bearing assembly to the adjusting plate.
- 4. Tighten screws to attach bearing securely. Leave the other screws snug. After the bearing is attached and the screws have been tightened, make sure the bearing turns freely.

# 6.5.3 Installing Lube Pump Driven Belt Sheave and Cylinder Lube Pump Drive Belt

- 1. Install the lube pump driven belt sheave (VRC28465) to the integral bearing shaft.
  - **NOTE**: Make sure the flat of the pump shaft is in alignment with the set screw of the sheave.



- 2. Slide the sheave onto the shaft until the end of the shaft is flush with the hub of the sheave.
- 3. Tighten set screws using 5/32" allen wrench.
- 4. Install lube pump belt drive sheave (VRC28425) to the crankshaft by loosening the set screw in the drive sheave. Insert the accessory end crankshaft key (VRC21106) into the key way.



5. Slip the sheave onto the shaft with the belt grooved side towards the frame.

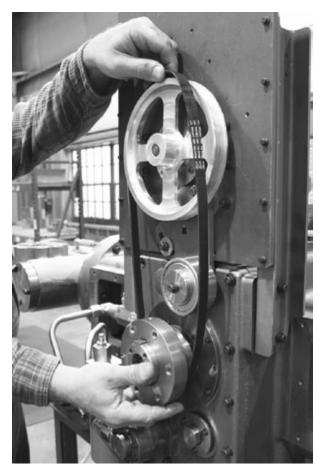


6. Align mounting plate with the face of the drive sheave by placing a level on either side of the mounting plate and observing the position of the bubble.

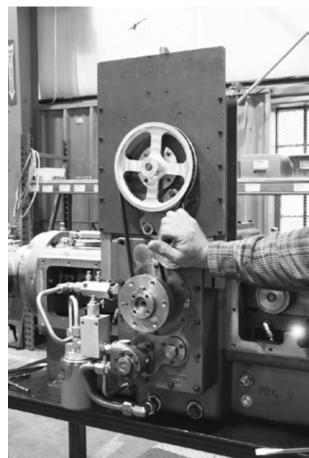


- 7. Next, put the level on the drive sheave.
  - NOTE: The bubble in the level should be the same on the drive sheave as observed on the mounting plate.

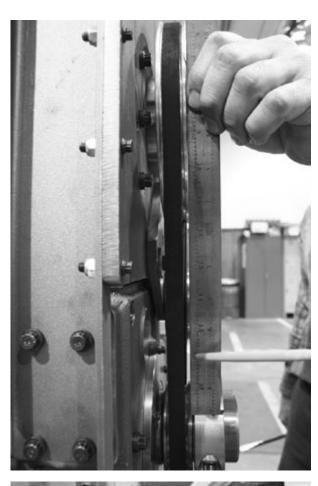
Adjustments will be made on the mounting plate. With the mounting plate support screws snug (not tight) the mounting plate assembly can be adjusted for proper positioning and then the support bracket screws can be tightened.



8. Install cylinder lube pump drive belt (VRC28400) over sheaves.



- 9. Tighten the belt tensioner by putting pressure on the belt tensioner bearing and tightening the adjusting screw. Tighten screw in the belt tensioner adjusting plate.
- 10. Check the alignment of sheaves by placing a straight edge on the face of the drive sheave and checking the gap between the straight edge and the belt. Make sure it is consistent throughout the length of the belt.



- 11. Using the drive sheave to make adjustments, move the drive sheave in or out on the crankshaft until proper alignment has been achieved.
- 12. After alignment is complete, tighten the screw in the drive sheave using 3/8" allen wrench.
- 13. Tighten set screw over the accessory end crankshaft key in the drive sheave



# **6.5.4 Checking Belt Tension**

- 1. Hold a straight edge on the outside diameter of the drive and driven sheave (adjacent to the belt) and with a ruler push the belt in and measure the slack side of the belt.
- 2. Belt tension should be such that when applying about 10 pounds of pressure to the slack side of the belt, there will be approximately 1/4" movement or slack.

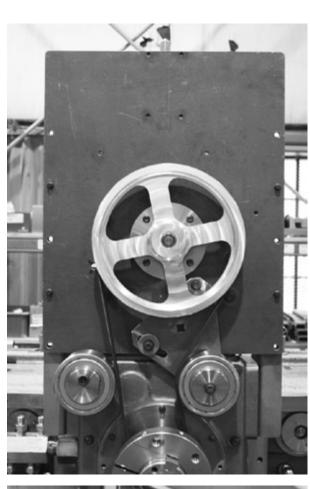
## 6.5.5 Installing The Idler Bearing Assembly To Housing



1. Using the housing and idler screw (VRC28067) and tightening with a 5/16" allen wrench, fasten idler bearing assembly to the housing.



- 2. Position idler by using eccentric adjuster and apply only slight pressure to the belt. Bearing should be able to turn by hand.
  - NOTE: It is not intended for the idler bearing to apply tension to the belt, it is simply touching it to eliminate belt flutter.



# 6.5.6 Belt Guard Installation

1. To install the belt guard (VRC28480) starting with the top screw, remove every other screw in the mounting plate.



2. Mount the belt guard (VRC28480) onto the mounting plate, replace and tighten screws.



- 3. Mount the belt guard cover plate (VRC28481) at the bottom of the belt guard using lock nuts (VRC28489).
  - NOTE: The crankshaft bar over adapter must be removed PRI-OR to installing the belt guard cover plate.

#### **6.6 Frame Oil Pressure Relief Valve**

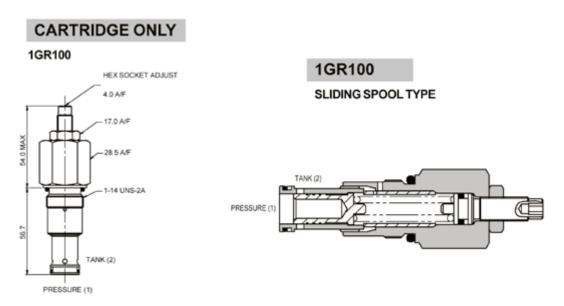


Figure 6.3 - Relief Valve Cartridge Only and Section View

## **6.6.1 Relief Valve Specifications**

RELIEF VALVE SPECIFICATIONS		
RATE FLOW	40 US GPM (150 litres/min)	
MAXIMUM SETTING	600 psi (40 bar)	
CARTRIDGE MATERIAL	Working parts hardened and ground steel. External surfaces zinc plated	
BODY MATERIAL	Standard aluminium	
MOUNTING POSITION	Unrestricted	
TORQUE CARTRIDGE INTO CAVITY	44 ftlbs (60 Nm)	
WEIGHT	0.7 lbs (0.31 kg)	
RECOMMENDED FILTRATION LEVEL	BS5540/4 Class 18/13 (25 micron nominal)	
OPERATION TEMPERATURE	- 4°F (- 20°C) to 194°F (90°C)	
LEAKAGE	15 milliliters/min nominal	
NOMINAL VISCOSITY RANGE	5 to 500 cSt	

Table 6.1 - Relief Valve Specification

• **NOTE:** Figures based on Oil Temperature = 140°F (60°C) and Viscosity = 40 cSt.

#### **6.6.2 Relief Valve Features**

The 1GR100 series relief valve is a stable and quiet operating valve. The cartridge construction give it maximum flexibility in mounting which offers good repeatability and re-seat.

#### **6.6.3 Relief Valve Operation**

The relief valve is held closed by the spring until pressure on the piston overcomes the valve setting, allowing relief flow to the tank through a ring of the radial holes.

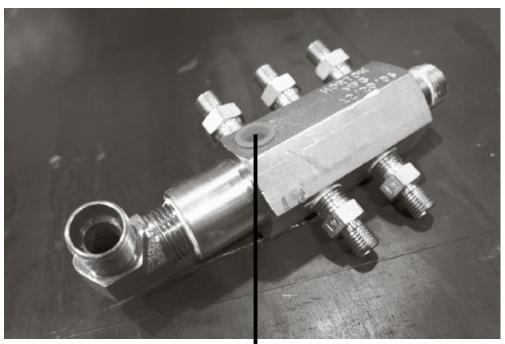
#### **6.6.4 Adjusting Frame Oil Pressure**

Loosen the lock nut on the oil pressure relief valve (VRC28350) and move the adjusting screw up to decrease pressure and down to increase pressure using a 5/32" allen wrench or hex socket.

After making the necessary adjustment, tighten the lock nut with a 11/16" wrench.

## **6.7 Lube Oil Pressure**

Normal pressure on the discharge side of the frame oil filter is set a the factory at 50 PSI at 1800 RPM. If oil pressure drops below 25 PSI, find the cause immediately and correct the problem.



# 6.8 Low Oil Pressure Shutdown

The low oil pressure shutdown is normally mounted by the packager and is supplied to the customers specifications. Arrow Engine provides an oil pressure pickup point on the 6 port manifold (VRC28120).

The compressor must have a working low oil pressure shutdown.

**IMPORTANT**: Never attempt to add oil to the frame through the breather hole while the compressor is running. This will cause oil foaming and unnecessary no flow shutdowns in the force feed lubrication system.

Pressure Pickup Point

Since the cylinder lubrication system is constantly using oil from the frame, a working frame oil level controller is necessary. This must be designed to allow oil travel into the frame from an overhead tank at all ambient temperature conditions.

**NOTE:** The cylinder lube system must have a blow-out disc between the cylinder lubricator and the no-flow shutdown. The cylinder lube system must have a no-flow shutdown. (These are normally provided with Arrow Compressors.)

Shutdown must be enabled to activate within three (3) to five (5) minutes after disruption of lubrication flow.

# **6.9 Tubing and Distance Piece Venting**

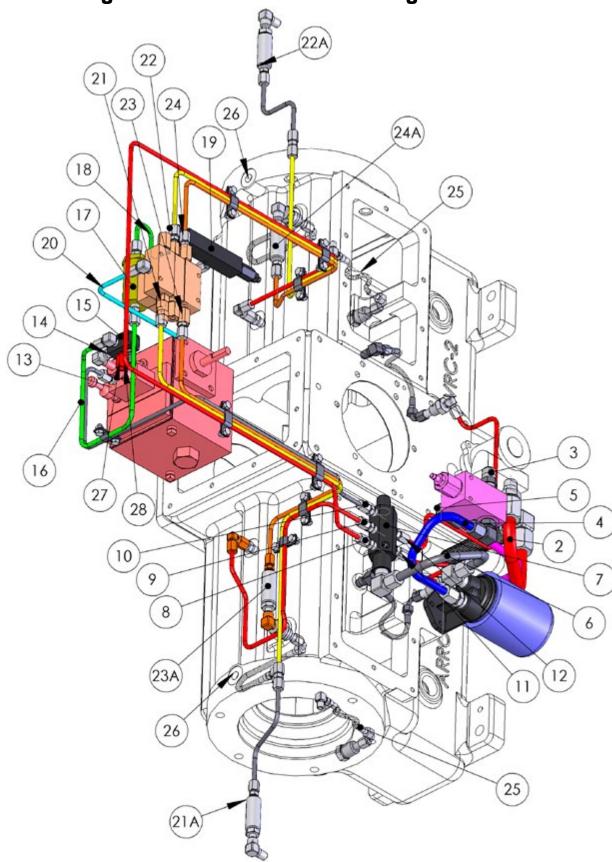


Figure 6.4 - VRC-2 Compressor Lubrication System - Tubing and Venting

# **6.9.1 Tubing Parts**

Lubri	cation Syst	em Tubing	
NUMBER	PART NUMBER	DESCRIPTION	QTY.
1	VRC28800A	TUBING & FITTINGS KIT COMPLETE	1
1A	VRC28802	CLAMP, TUBING, 2 TUBE (W/SCREWS & NUTS)	2
1 B	VRC28803	CLAMP, TUBING, 3 TUBE (W/SCREWS & NUTS)	4
1C	VRC28804	CLAMP, TUBING, 4 TUBE (W/SCREWS & NUTS)	2
2	VRC28810A	TUBING ASSEMBLY, STRAINER TO PUMP	1
2A	VRC28871	FITTING, 1/2" 14 NPT X 3/4" TUBE 90	1
2B	VRC28875-13	TUBING, 3/4" 304SS, 13.26" LONG	1
2C	VRC28872	FITTING, 1/2" 14 NPT X 3/4" TUBE STR.	1
3	VRC28801A	FITTING, PUMP TO RV, 1/2" 14 NPTF X 3/4"- 16 SAE O-RING	1
4	VRC28811A	TUBING ASSEMBLY, RV TO FILTER INLET	1
4A	VRC28815	FITTING, 3/4" 16 SAE O-RING X 1/2" TUBE 90	1
4B	VRC2850-12.5	TUBING, 1/2" 304SS, 12.46" LONG	1
4C	VRC28851	FITTING, 1/2" 14 NPT X 1/2" TUBE STR.	1
5	VRC29912A	TUBING ASSEMBLY, RV TO SUMP	1
5A	VRC28815	FITTING, 3/4" 16 SAE O-RING X 1/2" TUBE 90	1
5B	VRC28850-10.7	TUBING, 1/2" 304SS, 10.71" LONG	1
5C	VRC28852	FITTING, 3/8" 18 NPT X 1/2" TUBE STR.	1
6	VRC28813A	TUBING ASSEMBLY, RV TO SUMP	1
6A	VRC28853	FITTING, 1/2" 14 NPT X 1/2" TUBE 90	1
6B	VRC28850-13.6	TUBING, 1/2" 304SS, 12.57" LONG	1
7	RC28120	MANIFOLD, 6 PORT, CUSTOM	1
8	VRC28830A	TUBING ASSEMBLY, #1 PORT TO THROW 1 CROSSHEAD, TOP	1
8A	VRC28821	FITTING, 1/4" 18 NPT X 1/4" TUBE 90	1
8B	VRC28825-63.0	TUBING, 1/4" 18 NPT X 1/4" STR.	1
8C	VRC288822	FITTING, 1/8" 17 NPT X 1/4" TUBE 90	1
8D	VRC28835	FITTING, ORIFICE .031	1

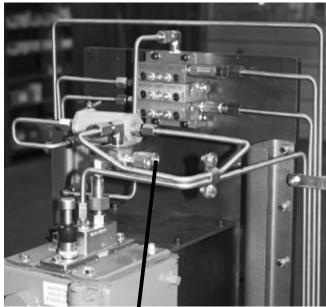
NUMBER	PART NUMBER	DESCRIPTION	QTY.
9	VRC28831A	TUBING ASSEMBLY, #2 PORT TO THROW 2 CROSSHEAD TOP	1
9A	VRC28821	FITTING, 1/4" 18 NPT x 1/4" TUBE STR.	1
9В	VRC28825-24.5	TUBING, 1/4" 304SS, 25.52" LONG	1
9C	VRC28822	FITTING, 1/8" 27 NPT X 1/4" TUBE 90	1
9D	VRC28835	FITTING, ORIFICE .031	1
10	VRC28832A	TUBING ASSEMBLY, #3 PORT TO CYLINDER LUBE PUMP	1
10A	VRC28848	FITTING, REDUCER, 1/4" M X 1/8" F	1
1 O B	VRC28890	FITTING, CHECK VALVE, 1/8" M X 1/4" TUBE STR.	1
10C	VRC28825-33.6	TUBING, 1/4" 304SS, 33.61" LONG	1
10D	VRC28823	FITTING, 1/8" 27 NPT x 1/4" TUBE STR.	1
11	VRC28833A	TUBING ASSEMBLY, #4 PORT TO THROW 2 CROSSHEAD BOTTOM	1
11A	VRC28821	FITTING, 1/4" 18 NPT X 1/4" TUBE STR.	1
11B	VRC28825-9.2	TUBING, 1/4" 304SS, 9.18" LONG	1
11C	VRC28823	FITTING, 1/8" 27 NPT X 1/4" TUBE STR.	1
11D	VRC28836	FITTING, 2/8" 18 NPT X 1/8" 27 NPT W/ORIFICE .031	1
11E	VRC28837	HOSE, FLEX ASSEMBLY, FRAME TO CROSSHEAD	1
11F	VRC28838	FITTING, 7/16" 20 NPT X 1/4" TUBE 90	1
12	VRC28834A	TUBING ASSEMBLY, #5 PORT TO THROW 1 CROSSHEAD BOTTOM	1
12A	VRC28821	FITTING, 1/4" 18 NPT X 1/4" TUBE STR.	1
12B	VRC28821	TUBING, 1/4" 304SS, 24.71" LONG	1
12C	VRC28823	FITTING, 1/8" 27 NPT X 1/4" TUBE STR.	1
12D	VRC28836	FITTING, 3/8" 18 NPT X 1/8" 27 NPT W/ORIFICE .031	1
12E	VRC28837	HOSE, FLEX ASSEMBLY, FRAME TO CROSSHEAD	1
12F	VRC28838	FITTING, 7/16" 20 NPT X 1/4" TUBE 90	1
13	VRC28867	FITTING, LUBE PUMP OUTLET, 1/8" NPTF X 1/8" NPTM 90	1
14	VRC28847	FITTING, REDUCER, MANIFOLD 1/8" 27 NPT X 1/4" 18 NPT	1
15	VRC28640	MANIFOLD, LUBE PUMP CUSTOM	1

NUMBER	PART NUMBER	DESCRIPTION	QTY.
16	VRC28849A	TUBING ASSEMBLY, LUBE PUMP MANIFOLD TO IN-LINE FILTER	1
16A	VRC28826	FITTING, 1/4" 18 NPT X 1/4" TUBE 90	1
16B	VRC28825-17.4	TUBING, 1/4" 304SS, 17.44" LONG	1
16C	VRC28821	FITTING, 1/4" NPT X 1/4" TUBE STR.	1
17	VRC28710	FILTER, LUBE OIL, IN-LINE, 10 MICRON	1
18	VRC28841A	TUBING ASSEMBLY, IN-LINE FILTER TO NO-FLOW SWITCH	1
18A	VRC28821	FITTING, 1/4" 18 NPT X 1/4" TUBE STR.	1
18B	VRC28825-8.8	TUBING, 1/4" 304SS, 8.76" LONG	1
18C	VRC28826	FITTING, 1/8" NPT X 1/4" TUBE STR.	1
19	VRC28720	SWITCH, NO-FLOW SAFETY	1
20	VRC28842A	TUBING ASSEMBLY, NO-FLOW SWITCH TO DIVIDER BLOCK	1
20A	VRC28823	FITTING, 1/8" 27 NPT X 1/4" TUBE STR.	1
20B	VRC28825-15.3	TUBING, 1/4" 304SS, 15.31" LONG	1
20C	VRC28826	FITTING, 1/4" NPT X 1/4" TUBE 90	1
21	VRC28860A	TUBING ASSEMBLY, DIVIDER BLOCK TO LARGE CYLINDER	1
21A	VRC28823	FITTING, 1/8" NPT X 1/4" TUBE STR.	2
21B	VRC28825-35.4	TUBING, 1/4" 304SS, 35.37" LONG	1
21C	VRC28827	FITTING, UNION 1/4" X 1/4" TUBE STR.	1
21D	VRC28825-9.8	TUBING, 1/4" 304SS, 9.77" LONG	1
21E	VRC28730*	VALVE, CHECK, LUBE OIL, 1/8" NPT	1
21F	VRC28866	FITTING, 1/8" NPTF X 1/4" NPTM 90	1
22	VRC28861A	TUBING ASSEMBLY, DIVIDER BLOCK TO SMALL CYLINDER	1
22A	VRC28823	FITTING, 1/8" NPT X 1/4" TUBE STR.	2
22B	VRC28825-33.9	TUBING, 1/4" 304SS, 22.86" LONG	1
22C	VRC28730	VALVE, CHECK, LUBE OIL, 1/8" NPT*	1
22D	VRC28827	FITTING, UNION 1/4" X 1/4" TUBE STR.	1
22E	VRC28825-8.9	TUBING, 1/4" 304SS, 8.88" LONG	1
22F	VRC28866	FITTING, 1/8" NPTF X 1/4" NPTM 90	1

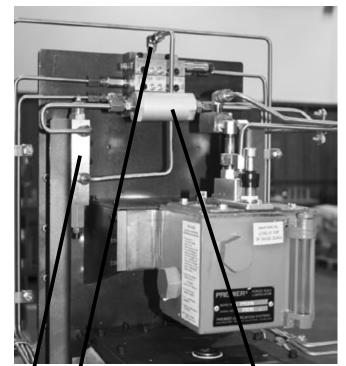
NUMBER	PART NUMBER	DESCRIPTION	QTY.
23	VRC28862A	TUBING ASSEMBLY, DIVIDER BLOCK TO PACKING LUBE THROW 2	1
23A	VRC28823	FITTING, 1/8" NPT X 1/4" TUBE STR.	2
23B	VRC28825-26.4	TUBING, 1/4" 304SS, 26.43" LONG	1
23C	VRC28730	VALVE, CHECK, LUBE OIL, 1/8" NPT*	1
23D	VRC28867	FITTING, 1/8" NPTF X 1/8" NPTM 90	1
23E	VRC28876	FITTING, PACKING, CUSTOM 1/2" 14 NPT X 7/16-20	1
23F	VRC28877	HOSE, FLEX ASSEMBLY, PACKING LUBE	1
23G	VRC28878	FITTING, HOSE TO PACKING, 1/8" M X 1/8" F 90	1
24	VRC28863A	TUBING ASSEMBLY, DIVIDER BLOCK TO PACKING LUBE THROW 1	1
24A	VRC28823	FITTING, 1/8" NPT X 1/4" TUBE STR.	2
24B	VRC28825-26.3	TUBING, 1/4" 304SS, 26.32" LONG	1
24C	VRC28730	VALVE, CHECK, LUBE OIL, 1/8" NPT*	1
24D	VRC28867	FITTING, 1/8" NPTF X 1/8" NPTM 90	1
24E	VRC28877	HOSE, FLEX ASSEMBLY, PACKING LUBE	1
24F	VRC28878	FITTING, HOSE TO PACKING, 1.8" M X 1/8" F 90	1
25	VRC28870A	TUBING ASSEMBLY, PACKING VENT, THROW 1 & 2	2
25A	VRC28876	FITTING, PACKING, CUSTOM 1/2" 14 NPT X 7/16-20	1
25B	VRC28887	HOSE, FLEX ASSEMBLY, PACKING VENT	1
25C	VRC28878	FITTING, HOSE TO PACKING, 1/8" M X 1/8" F 90	1
26	VRC28880A	TUBING, ASSEMBLY, DISTANCE PIECE VENT, THROW 1 & 2	2
26A	VRC28839	FITTING, REDUCER BUSHING, 1/4" 18 M X 1/8" 27 F	2
26B	VRC28888	CAP, VENT (Not Shown)	2
27	VRC28610	INDICATOR, OVERPRESSURE, LUBE OIL	1
28	VRC28630	PORT, PURGE, 1/8" NPT	1

<sup>\*</sup> VRC28730, Check Valves, are not included in the "Tubing and Fittings Complete" kit. They must be ordered separately.

# **6.10 Filling and Operating The Lubrication System**



Purge Port



Inlet of Divider Valve
Filter, 10-Micron
No-Flow Switch

- Loosen tubing connection at the inlet and all outlets of the divider block.
- 2. Install a hand priming pump (VRC29480) into the purge port check valve at the pump outlet.
- 3. Operate the hand priming pump until clean air free lubricant appears at the inlet of the divider valve. Then re-tighten the tubing connection at the inlet and operate the hand priming pump to purge air from the divider valve. When air free lubricant is observed at all outlets re-tighten tube connections.
  - Note: When operating hand priming pump (steps 1-3) gauge pressure should not exceed 300-500 PSI unless you encounter air pockets which will increase pressure. Once air is expelled, the gauge should drop back.
- 4. Loosen tubing connections at all injection point check valves.
- Operate the hand priming pump until clean air free lubricant appears at the inlet of all injection point check valves. Then retighten all tubing connections at all injection point check valves.
- 6. Remove hand priming pump from purge port check valve at the lubricator pump outlet.
- 7. It is necessary to prime the lubricator pump before the oil line from the day tank or crankcase is connected. Clean air free lubricant must be observed at the pump inlet.
- 8. Fill the lubricator reservoir with oil to 1" from top of gauge glass (Do not fill to top). This oil is used to lubricate the internal parts only. Occasionally oil level will increase due to seepage from pump which is not uncommon; when the reservoir level is observed near the top of the gauge glass remove drain plug and drop level.
- The system should now be completely filled with clean air free lubricant and ready for start-up.

#### **6.11 Divider Block**

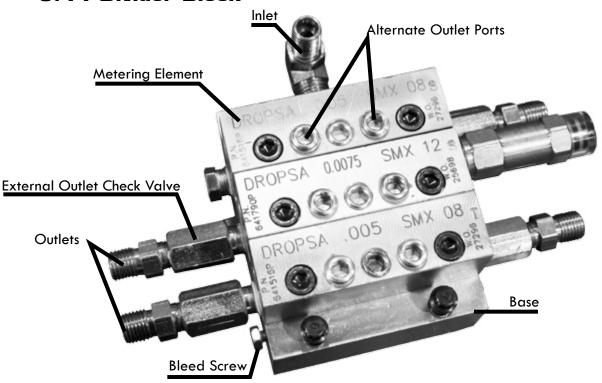


Figure 6.6 - Divider Block Parts

#### **6.11.1 Divider Block Overview**

The divider block is made up of three (3) valve blocks fastened to a section of the base plate. Orings are used to seal the valve blocks and the base plate and base plate sections. The divider valves are used in a single line progressive lubrication system that distributes lubrication.

Check valves at the inlets of all lube points should be installed.

Metering pistons contained within the valve blocks release a set amount of lubricant with each cycle. These valve blocks can be single or twin. Outlets must be plugged if not used when singling or cross-porting.

The use of a by-pass block maybe used on the base plate. This allows the addition or deletion of lubrication points without disconnecting or disturbing any lubrication system tubing. When using a by-pass block, both outlets must be plugged.

The valve and by-pass blocks are attached to the base plate which sets on the piece of equipment needing to be lubricated. The base plate contains divider block's inlet and outlet connections, interconnected pathways and built-in check valves. Lubricant piping both to and from the divider valve is connected to the base plate.

The base plate consists of one inlet block, three intermediate blocks, one end block and three tie rods. The gasket plate seals are included with the base plate segments. The valve block capacity of each base plate is dependent upon the number of intermediate blocks in the base plate. There must be a minimum of three working valves on each valve and base plate assembly.

## **6.11.2 Divider Block Technical Data And Cycle Time**

Maximum Pressure: 7250 PSI (500 Bar)
Minimum Pressure: 215 PSI (14.8 Bar)

O-ring Material: Viton (Standard), Buna N (Optional)

**Viscosity Range** 

Oil Minimum: 14 cSt (77.31 SSU)
Grease Maximum: 200 ASTM (NLGI-4)

**Monitoring of Piston Movement** 

DNFT's - Digital No-Flow Timers Deliron - Proximity Switches

Magnetic Cycle Indicators (Visual) (Provided)

#### Accessories

Reset Type Pressure Indicators Magnetic Cycle Indicators Mounting Brackets

	DIVIDER BLOCKS	
PART NUMBER	DESCRIPTION	QTY

	SINGLE STAGE/ SINGLE CYLINDER	
VRC28614	BLOCK, DIVIDER, 1 STAGE, 1 CYLINDER, 2.25-4.0 USE WITH 3/16" PUMP VRC28510 @ 1.5 PINTS/DAY CYCLE TIME 60 SEC.	1

	SINGLE STAGE	
VRC28602	BLOCK, DIVIDER, 1 (or 2) STG, 2.5-4.0 USE WITH 3/16" PUMP VRC28510 @ 3.6 PINTS/DAY CYCLE TIME 25 SEC.	1
VRC28603	BLOCK DIVIDER 1 STG, 4.5-6.0 USE WITH 1/4" PUMP VRC28512 @ 4.8 PINTS/DAY CYCLE TIME 25 SEC.	1
VRC28604	BLOCK DIVIDER 1 STG, 6.5-8.0 USE WITH 1/4" PUMP VRC28512 @ 6.0 PINTS/DAY CYCLE TIME 25 SEC.	1

	TWO STAGE	
VRC28602	BLOCK, DIVIDER, 2 (OR 1) STG 3.0-4.5 × 2.5-4.0 USE WITH 3/16" PUMP VRC28510 @ 3.6 PINTS/DAY CYCLE TIME 25 SEC.	1
VRC28600	BLOCK, DIVIDER, 2 STG, 4.5-6.5 × 2.5-5.0 USE WITH 1/4" PUMP VRC28512 @ 4.76 PINTS/DAY CYCLE TIME 22 SEC.	1
VRC28605	BLOCK, DIVIDER, 2 STG. 6.5-8.0 × 3.5-6.5 USE WITH 1/4" PUMP VRC28512 @ 5.85 PINTS/DAY CYCLE TIME 22 SEC.	1

THREE STAGE		
VRC28606	BLOCK, DIVIDER, 3 STG 3.5-5.5 × 3.5-4.5/2.25-2.50HP WITH 1/4" PUMP VRC28512 @ 5.20 PINTS/DAY CYCLE TIME 37 SEC. *	1
VRC28608	BLOCK, DIVIDER, 3 STG 4.0-6.5 × 3.5-5.0/2.25-3.5 USE WITH 3/8" PUMP VRC28514 @ 6.12 PINTS/DAY CYCLE TIME 22 SEC.	1
VRC28609	BLOCK, DIVIDER, 3 STG 5.5-7.0 × 4.5-6.0/3.0-3.5 USE WITH 3/8" PUMP VRC28514 @ 6.8 PINTS/DAY CYCLE TIME 24 SEC.	1
VRC28601	BLOCK, DIVIDER, 3 STG 7.0-8.0 × 5.0-7.0/3.0-4.5 USE WITH 3/8" PUMP VRC28514 @ 7.50 PINTS/DAY CYCLE TIME 20 SEC.	1
* High pressure system is used when discharge pressure is > 1200psi & requires 5 balancing valves,		valves,

Table 6.2 - Divider Block Selection and Cycle Time Table

part number VRC28615.

#### **6.11.3 Divider Block Installation**

For divider block installation procedures see section 6.5.1 "Lube Oil Pump Bearing Shaft and Cylinder Lube Pump Mounting Flange Installation" step 14.

# 6.12 Cylinder Lubrication (Belt Drive) System Running Conditions

- 1. Using the sight glass, check the oil level in the lubricator reservoir. The lubricator reservoir is used to lubricate the worm gear and cam. IT DOES NOT FLOW THROUGH THE SYSTEM. Only add oil if the sight glass indicates low oil in the reservoir.
- 2. If the piping has been removed or if the lube system has been drained, fill and prime the system through the 1/8" NPT connection end located in the lube pump manifold (VRC28640). Priming the force feed lubrication system requires the use of a priming pump (VRC29480) (see section 2.8 "Special Tools").
- 3. If the unit has been overhauled, it is important to adjust the lubricator for maximum lubricant distribution.

The following steps will guide you through the process of adjusting the lubricator:

- i. Loosen the adjusting screw locknut.
- ii. Turn the plunger stroke adjustment screw to the full up position.
- iii. Tighten the adjusting screw locknut.
- iv. Proper feed rate may be set after the compressor is started.
- 4. The operator may choose to use a gear oil in the reservoir instead of the 30 weight oil provided by the manufacturer. Gear oils reduce noise and increase the longevity of the pump.
  - NOTE: Gear oil is optional. It is NOT a requirement.
- 5. When the compressor is running, make sure the oil level in the lubricator reservoir is at the designated sight glass.
  - **NOTE:** See your packager's specific data to determine the normal operating conditions, the cylinder working pressures, and the rated speed.

# **6.13 Lubrication System Troubleshooting**

Pump does not discharge lubricant		
Possible Causes	Possible Solutions	
Crankcase oil starving pump suction	Check crankcase oil pump and/or blockage in line to lubricating pump.	
Empty Day Tank	Fill day tank.	
Air entrapment within pump	Make certain that clean air free lubricant can be observed at the pump inlet. This should be done prior to the oil line from the day tank or crankcase is connected.	
Defective pump	Replace pump.	

Divider block does not cycle or operates at erratic pressures	
Possible Causes	Possible Solutions
Contaminated or trapped air	Operate the hand priming pump until clean, air free lubricant appears at the inlet of the divider valve. Then retighten the tubing connection at the inlet and operate the hand priming pump to purge air from the divider valve. When air free lubricant is observed at all outlets retighten tube connections.
Stuck piston within divider block	Pressure gauge should not exceed 300-500 PSI.
	Replace divider block metering element.

Divider block repeatedly ruptures disc		
Possible Causes	Possible Solutions	
Blocked or crushed line downstream	Replace line as necessary.	
Defective injection point check valve	Replace check valve.	
Rupture disc over tightened	Torque nut to 36 inlbs max. DO NOT OVER TIGHTEN. If a torque wrench is not available, hand tighten, then tighten $1/8$ th turn with a wrench. Use a backup wrench when installing return fitting.	
Clogged lube filter	Clean or replace filter element.	
Trapped air	Operate the hand priming pump until clean, air free lubricant appears at the inlet of the divider block. Then retighten the tubing connection at the inlet and operate the hand priming pump to purge air from the divider valve. When air free lubricant is observed at all outlets retighten tube connections.	

# **6.14 Locating Blockage**

- 1. Check to ensure all twin elements "T" have two (2) outlets in base and all single elements "S" have one (1) outlet and one (1) pipe plug in base.
- 2. Loosen tube connection at inlet and install a hand priming pump. Operate hand priming pump to dispel contamination of air. If necessary loosen (DO NOT REMOVE) the two (2) bleed screws on each side of the modular base farthest from the inlet.
- 3. If high pressure continues, remove (one at a time) each alternate outlet plug, which is common to an outlet port in the base. If the pressure gauge drops and the divider block cycles freely after the plug is removed, the blockage is downstream of that individual outlet. If the pressure remains high when pumping oil with all alternate outlet plugs removed, the blockage is within the divider block.

#### 6.15 No-Flow Switch

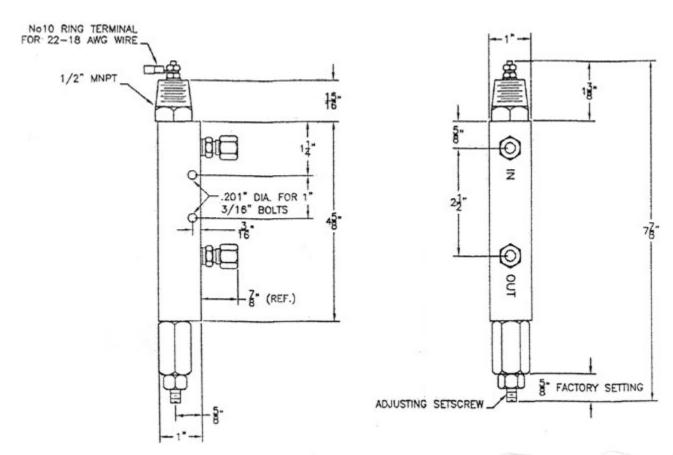


Figure 6.6 - No-Flow Switch

• **IMPORTANT:** The No-Flow switch must be mounted terminal end up with a minimum angle of 20° off horizontal to prevent condensation around the switch contact.

#### 6.15.1 No-Flow Switch Overview

The No-Flow Switch mounts in the line between the lubricator and the cylinder. Oil flow is through the switch-forcing the plunger off its contact. Its rate of travel is controlled by fluid slippage past the precision- fit plunger, preventing premature shutdown. If the lubricator stops pumping, the plunger will drift to the contact and stop the engine. On start up, the first stroke of the lubricator automatically opens the switch. In operation the plunger can pump out of its hole on very high feed rates and does not obstruct flow. The time interval between lubrication failure and shutdown can be adjusted by increasing or decreasing the compression on the spring.

The switch is available with an overpressure rupture assembly which will instantaneously bleed off and stop the engine in the event the lube-line check-valve plugs. The standard rupture disc fails at 1750 psi. The explosion-proof switch has been tested to 5,000 psi and its recommended working pressure is 8,600 psi.

#### 6.15.2 No-Flow Switch Installation

1. The no-flow switch must be mounted either vertically (terminal end up) or at a minimum angle of 20° off horizontal with the terminal end at the high point. This prevents water from accumulating around the switch contact.

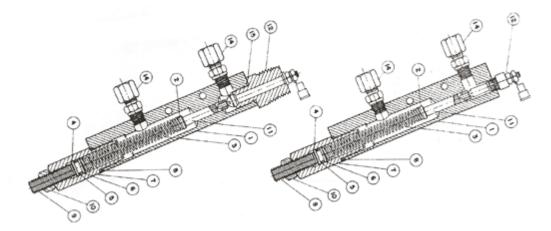


Figure 6.7 - No-Flow Switch Installation

- 2. A 25 micron sintered bronze or similar in-line type filter should be installed ahead of the noflow switch. These are available from Arrow or most manufactures of lubricators.
- 3. To assure constant oil viscosity, mount the switch in a warm place near the cylinder lube-line check valve or point of lubrication.
- 4. Connect line from the lubricator to the inlet port on the no-flow switch.
- 5. Hand pump the lubricator until oil flows from the outlet port; then connect the line from the outlet to the point of lubrication.
- 6. The no-flow switch is factory adjusted for a shutdown time of approximately 3 minutes using SAE 30 oil at 100°F (38°C). The switch is viscosity sensitive, therefore, shutdown time will vary with oil viscosity. Many compressor manufacturers indicate that 10-15 minutes operations after cessation of lubricant flow is acceptable so it should NOT be necessary to make seasonal adjustments.
- 7. If adjustments are necessary, ensure that the adjustments are made while the compressor and no-flow switch are at their normal operating conditions. The adjustment setscrew is located on the bottom of the switch housing.

Turn the setscrew IN to decrease shutdown time and OUT to increase shutdown time. Shutdown time can be determined by removing or disabling the lubricator pumping unit.

On the multiple pump installations pumping at the same rate, the setting can usually be transferred from one switch to another by making the distance from the end of the adjustment setscrew to the end of the adjustment set screw housing equal on all switches.

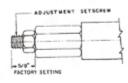


Figure 6.8 - No-Flow Switch Adjustment Set Screw

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# RECOMMENDED MAINTENANCE TIME LINES

# 7.1 Suggested Maintenance Intervals

Keeping any equipment running and operating correctly and efficiently requires regular maintenance, Arrow compressors are no different. The frequency of maintenance depends upon the environment in which the compressor is operating, the work load that is required as well as the cleanliness of the gas the compressor is compressing.

• IMPORTANT: The primary item to be completed first on the preventative maintenance list is to be compliant to Arrow Engine's and the packager's compressor start up check list (see "Compressor Start Up Check List" section 3.5).

All items listed to be done on this check list must be followed before and after start up.

This section serves only as a guide as to Arrow's recommended maintenance to keep your compressor running efficiently and at peak performance. Conditions may vary and so your maintenance time lines and intervals may be different or change due to environmental condition at your location.

Maintenance time intervals start from the date and time of initial start up of the compressor. If your oil supplier's recommended oil service changes are more frequent than Arrow's recommendations, the supplier's maintenance intervals should be followed. Regular oil analysis is recommended. If problems develop, the oil should be changed immediately and the cause of the problem should be investigated and solved.

It is a good idea to keep a maintenance log book for the compressor or compressors if you have more than one at a location. Every maintenance item should be recorded with exact detail in order to have a good history as to what was done and for tracking maintenance issues and costs.

Check lubricator block cycle pin indicator. Refer to the information plate on the side of the lubricator reservoir or the "Divider Block Selection and Cycle Time" Table 6.2 found in section 6.11.2 for the correct cycle time. These logs should be reviewed by qualified personnel to determine performance and maintenance trends of the compressor.

# 7.2 Daily Maintenance Requirements

- 1. Check frame oil pressure. It should be 50 to 60 PSIG when at operating temperature. Compressor inlet oil temperature is 250°F (121°C) maximum.
- 2. Check frame oil level. Oil level should be seen in the sight glass. If you can not see oil in the sight glass determine the cause and correct the problem. If oil needs to be added, be sure you add the correct weighted oil and be careful not to over fill.
- 3. Check lubricator block cycle pin indicator. Refer to the information plate on the side of the lubricator reservoir or the "Divider Block Selection and Cycle Time" Table 6.2 found in section 6.11.2 for correct cycle time.
  - NOTE: Very dirty or wet gas may require a more frequent cycle time than normal.
- 4. Check primary and secondary packing vents for blowing. If excessive blowing is occurring, determine the cause and replace the packing if necessary.
- 5. Check for any gas leaks. Correct immediately if any gas leaks are found.
- 6. Check and correct any oil leaks.
- 7. Check operating pressures and temperatures. If abnormalities exist, investigate and correct the problems. It is recommended that a daily operating temperature log be maintained and available for reference.
- 8. Check shutdown set points.
- 9. Low oil pressure shutdown is to be set at 25 psi minimum.
- 10. The high cylinder discharge temperature shutdown is to be set within 25°F (-4°C) of the actual operating temperature. It is NOT to exceed 350°F (177°C).
- 11. High-low pressure shutdowns set as close as practical. Rod load capacity of the compressor should be taken into consideration.
- 12. Check lubricator reservoir oil level.
- 13. Check for any unusual noises or vibrations.

# 7.2.1 Monthly Maintenance Requirements

In addition to the daily maintenance requirements, check and confirm safety shutdown functions.

#### 7.2.2 Six (6) Months or 4,000 Hours Maintenance Requirements

In addition to the daily and monthly maintenance requirements:

- 1. Drain and replace lubricator reservoir oil.
- 2. Change oil filter.
- 3. Change oil. More frequent oil changes may be required due to environmental influences, the oil supplier recommends it or if oil analysis requires it. A less frequent oil change may be allowed because the oil is replaced at regular intervals due to force feed lubricator usage.
- 4. Clean the oil strainer anytime the oil is changed.
- 5. Open the frame when oil is changed and visually inspect for any dirt or foreign material that may have entered into the frame. You do not have to disassemble the frame for this inspection, however, it may become necessary if serious damage has been done to the frame has been identified.
- 6.Re-tighten hold down stud-nuts to proper torque values and perform a soft foot check. If the hold down fasteners on the compressor frame or driver have become loose, it is recommended that the coupling alignment be checked.

## 7.2.3 Yearly or 8,000 Hour Maintenance Requirements

In addition to the daily and monthly maintenance requirements:

- 1. Check crankshaft main bearing for abnormal wear, connecting rod bearing clearance and end play clearance with a feeler and indicator. If outside the wear limits listed on the (see Table 2.4 "Clearance") replace the affected bearings.
- 2. Check crosshead guide clearance with feelers, if outside the wear limits replace effective parts.
- 3.Inspect valves for broken plates and loose center bolts. Replace any broken plates and tighten center bolts to proper torque value (See Table 2.10 in section 2.4).
- 4.Inspect cylinder bores for damage or wear.
- Inspect piston ring end gap. Replace all rings that are outside the maximum wear limits (see Table 2.9
  "Piston to Bore Clearance and Conventional Piston Ring End Gap for Double Acting and Steeple Cylinders")
- 6. Rebuild cylinder packing case (see section 4.11.1 and Figure 4.9).
- 7. Inspect for frame twisting or bending. This is done by shimming of the compressor feet.
- 8. Realign if necessary to hold coupling alignment within 0.005" (0.127 mm).
- 9. Check and re-calibrate all temperature and pressure gauges.
- 10. Check and record compressor rod run out.
- 11. Grease VVCP stem threads at grease fitting, using a multi-purpose grease and standard hand pump grease gun.
- 12. Clean frame breather filter.
- 13. Check divider blocks.

# 7.2.4 Two (2) Year or 16,000 Hours Maintenance Requirements

In addition to the daily, monthly, and yearly maintenance requirements:

Check auxiliary and chain drive for sprocket teeth undercutting and chain for excessive stretching.

This would be a good time to replace all chain drive parts.

# 7.2.5 Four (4) Year or 32,000 Hours Maintenance Requirements

In addition to the daily, monthly, yearly, and two (2) year maintenance requirements:

- 1. Check main and connecting rod bearing clearances by using the dial indicator.
  - NOTE: Disassembly is not necessary nor is it recommended to check for clearances. Disassembly should only be performed IF excessive clearance is discovered.
- 2. Check crosshead guide clearances with feller gauges.
- 3. Check crosshead pin to crosshead pin bore and connecting rod bushing bore by removing crosshead pins.
- 4. Check for excessive wear in the accessary end drive chain tightener.
- 5. Check for excessive ring groove wear in the pistons.

# 7.2.6 Six (6) Years or 48,000 Hours Maintenance Requirements

In addition to the daily, monthly, yearly, two (2) year and four (4) year maintenance requirements:

- 1. Replace crankshaft main roller bearing and connecting rod bearing shells and bushings.
- 2. Replace lubricator divider blocks if needed.
- 3. Replace crosshead bushings if needed.

# 7.3 Common Problems and Possible Causes

Minor problems can be expected during the routine operation of an Arrow VRC-2 compressor. These issues are most often traced to liquid, dirt, improper adjustment or to operating personnel that may be unfamiliar with the Arrow compressor. Difficulties of this type can usually be corrected by cleaning, proper adjustment, replacing a minor part or proper training of operating personnel.

Major problems can usually be traced to long periods of operation with unsuitable lubrication, careless operation, lack of routine maintenance or the use of the compressor for purposes for which it was not intended.

Recording of the inter stage pressures and temperatures on a multistage unit is valuable. Any vibration, when operating at a given load point, indicates trouble in one of the stages. Normally, if the inter stage pressure drops the trouble is in the lower pressure cylinder. If it rises, the problem is normally in the higher pressure cylinder.

The following section lists common problems that could occur with the Arrow VRC-2 compressor. It is impossible to give a complete list of every possible maintenance issue but this list will give you some of the most typical problems and their possible cause

Coil pump failure	PROBLEM	POSSIBLE CAUSES
Cold oil  Dirty oil filter  Excessive leakage at bearings  Improper low oil pressure switch setting  Oil pump relief valve set too low  Defective pressure gauge  Plugged oil sump strainer  Noise in Cylinder  Loose piston  Piston hitting cylinder head-end head or crank-end head  Loose crosshead jam nut  Broken or leaking valve(s)  Worn or broken piston rings or rider bands  Valve improperly seated or damaged seat gasket  Liquids in cylinder  Excessive Packing leakage  Worn packing rings  Improper lube oil and or insufficient lube rate  Dirt in packing  Packing rings assembled incorrectly  Improper ring side or end gap clearance  Plugged packing vent system  Scored, tapered or out of round piston rod  Excessive piston rod run-out  Packing Over Heating  Lubrication failure  Improper lube oil and/or insufficient lube rate  Worn packing rings  Dirt in packing  Improper lube oil and/or insufficient lube rate  Worn packing rings  Dirt in packing  Improper ring side or end gap clearance  Scored, tapered or out of round piston rod	Low Oil Pressure	Oil pump failure
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PROBLEM	POSSIBLE CAUSES
Excessive Carbon on Valves	Excessive lube oil
	Improper lube oil
	Oil carry-over from inlet system or previous stage
	Broken or leaking valves causing high temperature
	Excessive temperature due to high pressure ratio across cylinders
Relief Valve Popping	Faulty relief valve
	Leaking suction valves or rings on next higher stage
	Obstruction, blind or valve closed in discharge line
High Discharge Tempera- ture	Excessive ratio across cylinder due to leaking inlet valves or rings on the next higher stage
	Bent or damaged intercooler piping
	Leaking discharge valves or piston rings
	High inlet temperature
	Improper lube oil and/or lube rate
Frame Knocks	Loose crosshead pin or retainer caps
	Loose or worn main, crank pin or crosshead bearings
	Low oil pressure
	Cold oil
	Incorrect oil
	Knock is actually from cylinder end
Accessory End of Crank- shaft Oil Leak	Clogged vent or vent piping
	Improper sealing of plug
Piston Rod Packing Case Leaks	Worn wiper rings
	Wiper rings incorrectly assembled
	Worn/scored rod
	Improper fit of rings to rod/side clearance

# VRC GAS COMPRESSOR CONTINUOUS DUTY WARRANTY

CONTINUOUS DUTY DEFINITION: The highest load and speed which can be applied, subject to Arrow Engine Company's ratings in effect at time of sale.

#### I. ARROW ENGINE COMPANY COMPRESSOR AND COMPRESSOR PARTS WARRANTY POLICY

The goods manufactured by Arrow Engine Company and delivered hereunder will be free of defects in material and workmanship for a period of twelve (12) months from the date the goods are placed in service by the buyer or eighteen (18) months from date of shipment, whichever shall occur first. In addition, the manufacture warrants for a period of thirty six (36) months after delivery the following parts to be free of defects in material and workmanship under normal use and when properly maintained: crankshaft, crankcase casting (structural elements only) and connecting rods. Maintenance or wear items such as Piston Rings, Packing Rings, Wiper Rings, Valve Plates, Valve Springs, Gaskets, O-Rings, etc. are not warrantable. Prototypes or nonstandard Manufacturers configurations are covered under a separate agreement. Damage resulting from improper storage, neglect, extreme environmental conditions, misapplication, service and maintenance inconsistent with the Arrow VRC Gas Compressor Operations and Maintenance Manual or overloading of a compressor is not covered under this warranty policy. For warranty coverage of units test run at a Distributor's facility and not to be field started within one month from the date of testing, the compressor should be re-preserved, according to Arrow Engine's compressor preservation guidelines. For the warranty period, manufacturer shall repair or replace defective material.

#### **II. EXTENDED WARRANTY**

Effective for all Arrow VRC Gas Compressors shipped from Arrow after July 1, 2010, Arrow provides an extended warranty for units that continuously use and maintain 100% Arrow original equipment replacement parts. The extended warranty will be applied as follows:

Arrow warrants for a period of seventy two (72) months after delivery, the following parts to be free from defects in material or work-manship under normal use when properly maintained according to the Arrow VRC Compressor Operations and Maintenance manual: (1) Crankshaft, (2) Crankcase Casting, (3) Connecting Rods, (4) Crossheads, (5) Crosshead Guide Castings.

In addition, Arrow warrants for a period of twenty our (24) months after delivery, the following parts to be free from defects in material or workmanship under normal use in lubricated cylinders when properly maintained according to the Arrow VRC Compressor Operations and Maintenance manual: (1) Cylinder Bodies, (2) Pistons, (3) Piston Rods.

Arrow warrants that all remaining components manufactured or delivered by Arrow will be free of defects in material and workmanship for a period of twelve (12) months from the date the goods are placed in use by the purchaser or eighteen (18) months from date of shipment, whichever occurs first. Labor coverage remains at one year and remains under the terms and conditions of the standard Arrow Compressor Warranty. If at any time parts not manufactured or delivered by Arrow (non-OEM replacement parts) are placed into service on the compressor, the extended warranty will be null and void and the standard limited warranty will apply.

OEM parts and additional information regarding Arrow's limited warranty can be obtained from Arrow Engine Company.

#### III. WARRANTY - MANUFACTURED AND NON-MANUFACTURED AFTER-MARKET PARTS AND START-UP

Parts manufactured by Arrow Engine Company are warranted to be free of defects in material and workmanship for twelve (12) months from the date of Shipment. Certain parts on Arrow Engine Company's VRC Compressor are furnished as aftermarket parts from other sources. The warranty on these items is passed through the Distributor, from the other manufacturers.

#### A. COMPRESSOR IN USE

A completed "Compressor In Use" form must be completed by the Distributor and in the Manufacturer's possession before a "Warranty Claim" can be processed. "The Compressor In Use" form must be completed by the Distributor and forwarded to the Manufacturer upon shipment of any package with Arrow Engine Company products.

#### B. COMPRESSOR START-UP

The Arrow VRC Compressor must be started-up in accordance with the latest version of the Arrow Engine Company VRC Compressor Start-Up Report. The VRC Compressor Start-Up Report must be completed and forwarded to the Manufacturer upon completion of start-up.

#### C. DEFERRED START-UPS

Warranty coverage on VRC Compressors not started within twelve (12) months from the factory ship date, see the Manufacturer's "Deferred Start-up Policy".

#### IV OWNER/DISTRIBUTOR'S RESPONSIBILITIES UNDER THE EXPRESS LIMITED WARRANTY

Owner shall be responsible for:

- A. The operation and maintenance of the Products within the guidelines established by Arrow Engine Company.
- B. Making the Products available to Arrow Engine Company's authorized contractors or distributors for any warranty repair, during normal business hours.
- C. All additional costs incurred for premium or overtime labor, should owner request that repairs be made on a premium overtime schedule.
- D. All costs incurred as the result of removal or reinstallation of the Products as may be required to effect any warranted repair.
- E. All administrative costs and expenses resulting from a warranted failure.
- F. Any costs of transportation, towing, repair facilities, or associated costs.
- G. Loss of revenue and loss of/or damage to real and/or personal property.
- H. Payment of labor charges is limited to failure on items of the Manufacturer that occurred during packaging and within the first 90 days of start-up. The Manufacturer reserves the right to adjust the labor on warranty claims so that the labor paid will be within the Manufacturer's "Standard Repair Hours Policy" or within a reasonable amount of time to accomplish the task for which the claim is submitted. The initial investigation of a warranty item will be at the expense of the Distributor.
- I. Arrow Engine Company will not be responsible for additional repair time as a result of normal job site location, remote location, non-standard gas, or special equipment, end cost of transporting personal, parts and equipment to and from the package site. Travel time and mileage will be restricted to 150 miles one way from the packager's closest service location to land based site. For ocean or water based compressor sites, please contact Arrow Engine Company for travel policy.

#### V. INTERNATIONAL WARRANTY

The Manufacturer's coverage for VRC Ccompressors shipped outside the United States or Canada is limited to parts only F.O.B. Tulsa, Oklahoma.

#### VI. LIMITATION OR ARROW ENGINE COMPANY'S OBLIGATIONS

The obligation of Arrow Engine Company under this express limited warranty shall be waived and voided, and Arrow Engine Company shall not, thereafter, be responsible for:

- A. Any failure resulting from owner or operator abuse or neglect, including but not by way of limitation, any operation, installation, application, or maintenance practice not in accordance with guidelines or specifications established by Arrow Engine Company; or
- B. Any failure resulting from unauthorized modifications or repairs of the Products or;
- C. Any failure resulting from overload, overspeed, overheat, accident, improper storage; or
- D. Failure of owner to promptly provide notice of a claimed defect all warranty claims must be authorized, documented, and submitted within 30 days of the failure date while under the warranty period; or
- E. Failure of Products for which Arrow Engine Company did not receive properly completed start-up reports; or
- F. Repairs of a covered failure performed with non-genuine Arrow Engine Company parts; or
- G. Repairs of a covered failure performed by non-authorized contractors or distributors; or
- H. Failure to make Products available to Arrow Engine Company or its authorized representatives, or
- I. Failure to supply documents such as drawing and specifications relating to the specific application of the Products.

#### VII. APPLICABILITY AND EXPIRATION

The warranties set out above are extended to all owners in the original chain of distribution. The warranties and obligations of Arrow Engine Company shall expire and be of no further effect upon the dates of expiration of the applicable warranty periods.

The foregoing sets forth Arrow Engine Company's only obligations and owners' exclusive remedy for breach of warranty, whether such claims are based on breach of contract, tort (including negligence and strict liability), or other theories, and the foregoing is expressly in lieu of other warranties whatsoever expressed, implied, and statutory, including without limitation, the IMPLIED WARRANTIES OF MERCHANTABILITY AND FITNESS.

Notwithstanding the preceding, in no event shall Arrow Engine Company be liable for any direct, special, incidental or consequential damages (whether denominated in contract, tort, strict liability, negligence or other theories) arising out of this Agreement or the use of any Products provided under this Agreement.

Any action arising hereunder or relating hereto, whether based on breach of contract, tort (including negligence and strict liability), or other theories must be commenced within one (1) year after the cause of action accrues or it shall be barred

#### ARROW MANUFACTURED

# REPLACEMENT PARTS

# Caterpillar® Engines

G379 G3304 G398 G3306 G399

# Waukesha® Engines

F2895 P9390 F3521 145G/F817 F5108 140G/F554 L5790 WAK/1197 L7042

#### Fairbanks Morse® Engines

ZC-118 ZC-503 ZC-208 ZC-739 ZC-346

# Ajax® Engines

5 x 6½ EA-22, 6½ x 8 CMA EA-30, 7¼ x 8 CMA E-30, 7½ x 10 CMA E-42, 8½ x 10 CMA DP-60, 9½ x 10 CMA DP-70/80/160, 11 x 14 CMA DP-115/230, 13¼ x 16

> Piston & Rod Assemblies 180 360

> > 600

800

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# OEM

#### **C-Series**

#### **VR-Series**

VR-155 VR-310 VR-220 \*VR-330 VR-232 \*VR-330CF \*VR-260 VR-265 VR-283 \*VR-380

#### **A-Series**

# K6 Slow Speed Engine

#### **Lufkin Engines**

L-333 L-1770 \*L-795 L-2165

#### Witte Engines

98 E15 F32 B12 E20 F42

#### **Arrow Chemical Pumps**

- \*10 Series (beam operated)
- \*12 & 13 Series (pneumatic)
- \*430 Series (electric)
- \*500 & 510 Series (pneumatic)
- \*Solar Chempump

## **Gas Compressors**

\* \*VRC-2 \*VRC-CNG

#### **Gas Products**

- \*Volume Tanks
- \*Vertical & Horizontal Separators
- \*Suction Scrubbers
- \*Meter Runs
- \*Coalescers
- \*Skids

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