









Installation & Disassembly

Bladder Accumulators
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General Information

This guide discusses how to disassemble and install a new bladder in Parker Hannifin's BA Series Accumulators. This guide is to be read thoroughly, particularly the Safety Instructions below before maintaining or servicing the BA Series Accumulators. Keep this guide accessible for anyone who may attempt to service or maintain the accumulators described within.

General Safety

BA Series Bladder Accumulators are designed to be inherently safe when the limiting values on the product label or name plate are followed. However, there is a risk of personal injury and equipment damage if you do not follow the safety, maintenance instructions, and the warning notices specified in this guide.

Since hydraulic accumulators are pressure vessels, the installation, commissioning, disassembly, and maintenance should be performed by professionally trained and qualified personnel.

Operator Obligations

It is the responsibility of the buyer to make sure any individuals who install, operate and maintain the accumulators are properly trained at regular intervals on those subjects. It is also the responsibility of the buyer to maintain and service the accumulator at regular intervals.

The following safety instructions must always be followed when working with hydraulic accumulators:



Modifying a bladder accumulator (i.e. welding, brazing, machining, or the use of non-original replacement parts) may compromise the integrity of the pressure vessel.

The operating pressure of the accumulator must not exceed the maximum operating pressure and the temperature ranges must be within those indicated on the label or nameplate.

The bladder-type accumulator must not be operated with group 1 hydraulic fluids (explosive, inflammable, toxic) or with corrosive fluids.

Never loosen the gas valve while the accumulator is under pressure.

Never attempt to disassemble the accumulator while it is under pressure.

Always assume the accumulator is under pressure until it is confirmed that it isn't.

Never add unnecessary weight or load on top of the accumulator, never use the accumulator as a structural support and never step on them.

The accumulator may become very hot during normal operation. Allow the accumulator to cool before any servicing or touching it.

Always wear personal protective equipment (PPE) like safety glasses and protective gloves when servicing the accumulator.



Accumulator Parts Description (Gas Side)

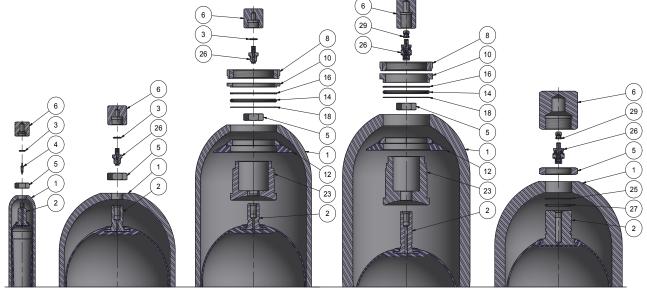


FIGURE A 3-4 KPSI, 330 Bar 10-150 Cu. In. Bottom Repairable

FIGURE B 3-3.6 KPSI, 330 Bar 1-15 Gallon Bottom Repairable

FIGURE C 3-3.6 KPSI, 330 Bar 2.5-15 Gallon Top Repairable

FIGURE D 5-6.6 KPSI, 690 Bar 2.5-15 Gallon Top Repairable

FIGURE E 5-6.6 KPSI, 690 Bar 1-15 Gallon Bottom Repairable (Items #25 & 27 Do Not Apply)

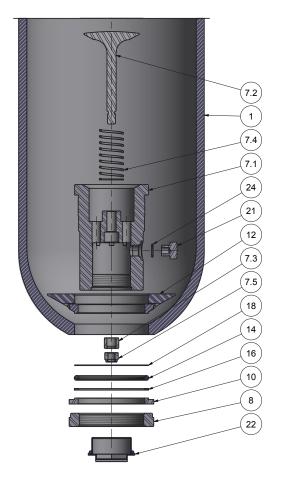
Bill of Material for Figures A-E		
Item No.	Description	
1	Shell	
2	Bladder and Stem Assembly	
3	O-Ring / Sealing Washer	
4	Gas Valve Core	
5	Hex Jam Nut	
6	Protective Cap	
7	Hydraulic Port Assembly	
8	Hex Jam Nut /Locking Ring	
10	Hydraulic Port Spacer	
12	Anti-Extrusion Ring	
14	O-Ring	
16	Backup Ring	
18	Backup Washer (Metal)	
25	Backup Ring (2" Stem Only)	
26	Gas Valve	
27	O-Ring (2" Stem Only)	
29	Gas Valve Cap	

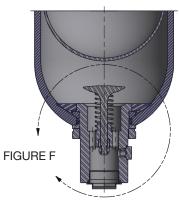
Suggested Approximate Torque values				
Item No.	Description	Torque (English)	Torque (Metric)	
4	Gas Valve Core	3-5 ln-Lb	0.34-0.56 N-M	
5	Hex Jam Nut (10-150 Cu. In.)	10-15 Ft-Lb	14-20 N-M	
5	Hex Jam Nut (1-15 Gallon)	100-120 Ft-Lb	136-163 N-M	
6	Protective Cap	10-15 Ft-Lb	14-20 N-M	
8	Locking Ring (1 Gallon)	100 Ft-Lb (Min)	136 N-M (Min)	
8	Locking Ring (2.5-15 Gallon)	500 Ft-Lb (Min)	678 N-M (Min)	
26	Gas Valve (All Styles)	22-28 Ft-Lb	30-38 N-M	
29	Gas Valve Cap	12-24 In-Lb	1-3 N-M	



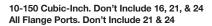
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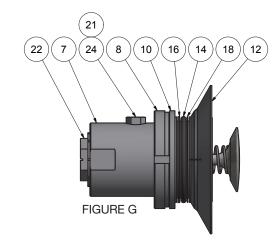
Accumulator Parts Description (Oil Side)





Hydraulic Port Assembly			
Item No.	Description		
7.1	Hydraulic Port Body		
7.2	Poppet		
7.3	Bushing		
7.4	Compression Spring		
7.5	Nylon Insert Locknut		





Hydraulic Port Kit		
Item No.	Description	
7	Hydraulic Port Assembly	
8	Hex Jam Nut /Locking Ring	
10	Hydraulic Port Spacer	
12	Anti-Extrusion Ring	
14	O-Ring	
16	Backup Ring	
18	Backup Washer (Metal)	
21	Bleed Plug	
22	Port Protector Plug	
24	O-Ring	

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7.5	Nylon Insert Locknut	6-7 Ft-Lb	8-9 N-M	
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21	Bleeder Plug	10 Ft-Lb (Min)	14 N-M	
22	Port Protector Plug	12-24 In-Lb	1-3 N-M	



Tools & Equipment



Figure 1: Pull rods, Spanner wrench, Core repair tool, and Core installation tool





Figure 2: Typical rounded edge flathead screwdriver or ball head hex

Tools and Equipment				
Description	Part Number	Use		
Charging & Gauging Assembly	Refer to Maintenance & Installation Guide HY10-1632-M2	Various styles available based on pre-charge, accumulator size & style.		
Pull Rod (1 Qt - 2 ½ Gallon) Pull Rod (5 Gallon) Pull Rod (10-11 Gallon)	085109 0250 085109 0500 085109 1000	Pull rods are available in single or multiple lengths for different size accumulators. The pull rods attach to the gas valve of the bladder for ease of assembly into shell		
Pull Rod (15 Gallon) Core Repair Tool	085109 1000 085109 1500 582441 0000	during assembly.		
Core Installation Tool	300987			
Spanner Wrench	085110 0000	Fits all standard size bladder accumulators. Used to remove hydraulic port assembly from the accumulator.		
Box Or Adjustable Wrenches				
Blunt Flathead Screwdriver or Ball Head Hex Wrench	See pictures above	Rounded edges. Used to tuck in hydraulic port O-ring.		
Torque Wrench		Used to establish proper torque		
Soft Head Hammer		May be required to loosen locking ring in conjection with spanner wrench		

Clean & Inspect

Cleaning: All metal parts should be cleaned with a cleaning agent. Seals and soft parts should be wiped clean.

Bladder (Item 2): Inflate bladder to normal size. Wash bladder with a soap solution. If soap solution bubbles, discard bladder. After testing, deflate bladder immediately.

Hydraulic Port Assembly (Item 7): Inspect assembly for damage. Check the poppet valve (Item 7.2) and spring (Item 7.4) to see that the poppet spins freely and the spring functions properly. In cases where the accumulator is used with water, check assembly for rust and/or defective plating. If rust is detected, clean with

commercial rust remover. If parts are pitted, replace with new components. If protective plating is damaged, replace with new components.

Seals: Check anti-extrusion ring (Item 12) and soft seals for damage and wear. Replace all worn and damaged seals with Parker's original equipment seals.

Shell (Item1): After shell has been cleaned with a cleansing agent, check the inside and outside of shell. Special attention should be given to the area where the bladder stem (Item 2) and hydraulic port assembly (Item 7) pass through the shell. Any nicks or damages in this area could destroy the accumulator bladder or damage new seals. If this area is pitted, consult the factory.



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Figure 5: Remove hydraulic port assembly (Item 7) from accumulator shell (Item 1).



Figure 5

Figure 6: Remove hex jam nut (Item 5) from bladder valve stem (Item 2). Prevent valve stem from twisting with an appropriate wrench applied to the valve stem flats.



Figure 6

Figure 7: Fold bladder (Item 2) and pull out of accumulator shell (Item 1). A slight twisting motion while pulling on the bladder reduces effort required to remove bladder from shell. If bladder is slippery, hold with a cloth.



Figure 7



Bladder Assembly in Bottom Repairable Accumulators

Figure 8: After shell (Item 1) has been cleaned and inspected, place accumulator shell in vise or on table. Spray the inside of the accumulator shell with a liberal amount of clean system hydraulic fluid to lubricate and cushion the bladder (Item 2). Make sure the entire inside of the shell is lubricated.

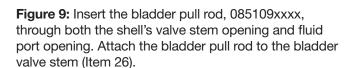




Figure 8

Figure 9

Figure 10: With all gas completely exhausted from bladder (Item 2), collapse bladder and fold longitudinally in a compact roll. With one hand, pull the bladder pull rod while feeding the bladder (Item 2) into the shell (Item 1) with the other hand. Slight twisting of bladder will assist in this insertion.

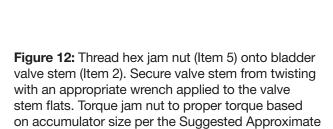


Figure 10



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Figure 11: Once the bladder valve stem has been pulled through the valve stem opening in the shell, install the valve stem hex nut (Item 5) by hand. Once the valve stem hex nut is in place, remove the bladder pull rod.



Torque Values on page 2 of this guide.



Figure 11



Figure 12



Disassembly of Conventional Top-Repairable Accumulators

The conventional top-repairable accumulator uses a gas-end adapter (Item 23) which is retained in the shell with an anti-extrusion ring (Item 12) exactly like those used in port assemblies. (See **Figure 10**)

- 1 Make sure the gas is relieved from the accumulator. (See Removal of Accumulator from System.)
- 2 Remove hex jam nut (Item 5) from bladder gas valve stem (Item 2) using a 1-5/16" socket wrench.
- **3** Using a spanner wrench, 085110 0000, remove outer lock ring (Item 8) on the gas end adapter (Item 23).
- **4** Push the gas end adapter (Item 23) complete with the bladder (Item 2) into the shell (Item 1).
- 5 Insert hand into accumulator, remove the o-ring back-up (Item 16), o-ring (Item 14), and metal back-up (Item 18). Separate the anti-extrusion ring (Item 12) from the gas end adapter (Item 23).
- **6** Fold the anti-extrusion ring (Item 12) and remove from shell (Item 1). (See **Figure 4**).
- 7 Remove gas end adapter (Item 23) from shell.
- 8 Remove bladder (Item 2) from shell.

NOTE: Conventional top repairable accumulators may be repaired by removing the bladder from either the hydraulic end or the gas end of the accumulator.

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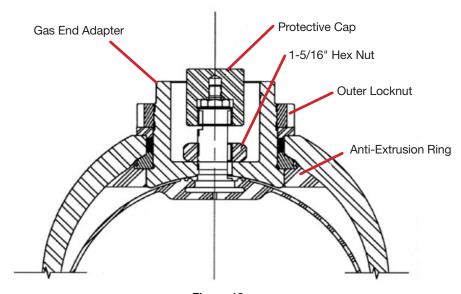


Figure 13



Bladder Assembly in Conventional Top-Repairable Accumulators

- 1 Spray the inside of the accumulator shell (Item 1) with a liberal amount of clean system hydraulic fluid to lubricate and cushion the bladder. Make sure the entire inside of the shell is lubricated.
- 2 With all gas completely exhausted from bladder, collapse bladder (Item 2) and fold longitudinally in a compact roll.
- 3 Install the gas end adapter (Item 23) on the bladder and secure with hex jam nut (Item 5). Torque hex jam nut to 100-120 ft-lb (136-163 N-m).
- 4 Insert bladder/adapter assembly into accumulator shell.
- 5 Fold anti-extrusion ring (Item 12) and place inside accumulator.
- 6 Reaching inside the accumulator, insert the gas end adapter (Item 23) through the anti-extrusion ring (Item 12) and pull into place. The steel surface on anti-extrusion ring should face outward.
- 7 Holding the gas end adapter (Item 23) in place, fill accumulator with approximately 50 PSI nitrogen. This will hold the gas end adapter in place.
- 8 Install the metal backup (Item 18), o-ring (Item 14), and o-ring backup (Item 16).
- 9 Install the outer spacer (Item 10).
- **10** Install the outer locking ring (Item 8).

Hydraulic Port Assembly Installation

- 1 Holding the hydraulic port assembly (Item 7) by the threaded end, insert the poppet end into the shell fluid port. Lay complete assembly inside shell (Item 1).
- 2 Figure 14: Fold anti-extrusion ring (Item 12) to enable insertion into the shell. Once the anti-extrusion ring has cleared the hydraulic fluid port opening, place the anti-extrusion ring on the hydraulic port assembly (Item 7) with the port assembly's steel collar end facing toward the shell fluid port.



Figure 14

- 3 Pull the threaded end of the port assembly (Item 7) through the shell fluid port until it sits solidly into position on the shell's fluid port opening.
- 4 Figure 15: With port assembly firmly in place, install valve core (Item 3) or gas valve (Item 26) into the bladder stem (Item 2). Slowly pressurize the bladder, using dry nitrogen with sufficient pressure (approximately 40-50 PSI) to hold hydraulic port assembly (Item 7) in place so both hands are free to continue with assembly.



Figure 15



5 Figure 16: Install metal backup washer (Item 18) over hydraulic port assembly and push into the shell fluid port to bottom it out on the anti-extrusion ring (Item 12).



Figure 16

6 Figure 17: Install O-ring (Item 14) over hydraulic port assembly (Item 7) and push it using a blunt, rounded edge, flathead screw driver or a ball head hex into the shell's fluid port until it bottoms out against the washer.

CAUTION: Do not twist or damage o-ring.



Figure 17

- 7 Install O-ring backup (Item 16) over hydraulic port assembly (Item 7) and push until it bottoms against O-ring (Item 14) (1-40 gallon sizes and 5K only).
- 8 Figure 18: Insert spacer (Item 10) with the smaller diameter of the shoulder facing the accumulator shell.



Figure 18



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9 Figure 19: Install the locking ring (Item 8) on the hydraulic port assembly (Item 7). Using a spanner wrench, 0851100000, tighten securely per the Suggested Approximate Torque Values on page 3 of this guide. This will squeeze the O-ring (Item 14) into position. Use appropriate wrench on flats of hydraulic port assembly (Item 7) to ensure the unit does not turn.



Figure 19

- **10 Figure 20**: Thread bleeder plug (Item 21) into the hydraulic port assembly (Item 7).
- 11 Position accumulator so that fluid (same fluid as used in system) can be poured into the accumulator (add approximately 10% of the accumulator capacity). This fluid will act as a cushion when the accumulator is pre-charged with gas.
- **12** Pre-charge accumulator to desired pressure. See pre-charge instructions.
- 13 Install accumulator on machine.



Figure 20



Disassembly of Bottom Repairable Accumulators

Figure 1: Once the accumulator has been removed from the equipment, the accumulator body should be secured in a vise, preferably a chain vise. If a standard jaw vise is used, brass inserts should be used to protect the accumulator hydraulic port assembly (Item 7) from damage. Clamp on wrench flats only when using a jaw vise to prevent accumulator from turning.

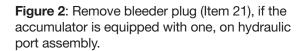




Figure 1



Figure 2

Figure 3: Using a spanner wrench, 0851100000, remove lock ring (Item 8) from the hydraulic port assembly (Item 7); use an adjustable wrench on the flats located on the port assembly to prevent port assembly from rotating. Remove spacer (Item 10), then push the hydraulic port assembly (Item 7) into the shell (Item 1) prior to Step 4.

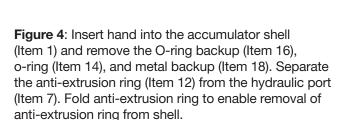




Figure 3



Figure 4



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