

# 10-512 SERIES - SAFETY VALVE INSTALLATION, OPERATION, & MAINTENANCE **INSTRUCTIONS**



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Conbraco pressure relief valves are safety devices designed for the protection of lives and property. These valves will provide years of service when properly installed and maintained. The information contained herein is intended for use by qualified personnel to properly maintain these devices.

Serious property damage and injury or death may occur should a pressure relieving device fail to operate correctly. Any installation, maintenance, adjustment, repair or testing should only be performed by experienced personnel properly trained and qualified in accordance with applicable codes and standards.

When maintaining or repairing Conbraco pressure relief valves, use only original Conbraco parts to ensure safe and reliable operation.

Contact your local Conbraco factory representative for the name of a factory authorized repair center near you. Or visit us on the web at www.conbraco.com.

# **Maximum Pressure/Temperature**



Warning – Application must not exceed the pressure/temperature limitations below.

Maximum Set Pressure	60 psig (4.14 barg)
Maximum Temperature (TS)	312ºF (156ºC)

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### Installation Instructions

This quality Conbraco safety valve, along with proper installation, use and maintenance will provide many years of reliable service and protection against excessive pressure build-up of steam, air or non-hazardous gas. Use of this valve for any other purpose or media places all responsibility upon the user. Before installing valve, or operating equipment to which it is installed, read all instructions carefully.



Caution – Always wear proper safety equipment.



Caution – Valve may be very hot to the touch. Wear protective equiment if necessary.

- Installation must be performed by qualified service personnel only.
- It is the piping system designer's responsibility to implement appropriate protective measures to minimize reaction forces and moments which result from supports, attachments, piping, etc.
- 3. Service is to be compatible with the materials of construction. Prior to selection it is the user's responsibility to determine that the valve is appropriate for the intended application. Application not to allow corrosion > .001"/year (.025 mm/year).
- 4. The capacity rating of this valve must equal or exceed that of the equipment to which it is installed.
- 5. Do not use this valve on a coal or wood fired boiler having an uncontrolled heat input.
- 6. Do not use the test lever as a lifting device during installation.
- 7. Insure that all connections, including the valve inlet, are clean and free of any foreign material.
- 8. Use pipe compound sparingly or tape on external threads only.
- 9. Do not use a pipe wrench! Use proper type and size wrench on wrench pads only.
- 10. This valve must be mounted in a vertical upright position directly to a clean tapped opening in the top of the pressure vessel. Under no circumstances should there be a flow restriction or valve of any type between the safety valve and pressure vessel.
- 11. See ASME Boiler and Pressure Vessel Code and local jurisdiction for additional installation and operating instructions.

Caution - During operation, this valve may discharge large amounts of high pressure steam, hot water, air or gas. To reduce the potential for bodily injury and property damage, a discharge line must be installed that:

- a) is connected from the valve outlet to a safe point of discharge with no intervening valve:
- b) allows complete drainage of the valve and discharge line;
- c) is independently supported and securely anchored to avoid applied stress on the valve;
- d) is as short and straight as possible;
- terminates freely to atmosphere where any discharge will be clearly visible and is at no risk of freezing;
- is, over it's entire length, of a pipe size equal to or greater than the valve outlet. Use only schedule 40 pipe for discharge. Do not use schedule 80, extra strong or double strong pipe or connections. Do not cap, plug or obstruct discharge pipe outlet! If discharge is piped upward, a condensate drain must be provided in the elbow below the vertical pipe to prevent condensate from returning into the valve. A Conbraco Model DPE Drip Pan Elbow is recommended.

# **Operating Instructions**

If adding water to the pressure vessel, do not allow water to flow through safety valve as sediment or debris may be deposited on seating surfaces.

To achieve topmost performance and maximum service life, it is necessary to maintain a proper pressure margin between the set pressure of the safety valve and the operating pressure of the equipment. The minimum recommended operating pressure margin for this type of safety valve is 10 psi or 25% of the vessel operating pressure, whichever is greater. Failure to maintain this operating margin may result in leakage past the seat and an accumulation of deposits on the seating surface. Excessive deposits may prevent the safety valve from operating properly, and a dangerous pressure build-up and equipment rupture may result.

# **Maintenance and Testing Instructions**

CAUTION! Before testing, make certain discharge pipe is properly connected to valve outlet and arranged to contain and safely dispose of discharge (see Installation Instructions).

Under ideal operating conditions including clean, dry steam and an adequate operating gap, a "try lever test" should be performed at least once every 12 months. Under severe service conditions (dirty steam, condensate, frequent operation etc.) or if corrosion, pitting, and/or deposits are noticed within the valve body, testing must be performed more often. In all cases, it is recommended that a "try lever test" be performed at the end of any non-service period.

CAUTION! Hot, high pressure fluid may be discharged from the valve body outlet and cap area during lever

CAUTION! High sound levels may be experienced during lever test. Wear proper safety equipment and exercise extreme care.

Test at or near maximum operating pressure by holding the test lever fully open for at least five seconds to flush the valve seat free of sediment and debris. Then quickly release lever and permit valve to snap shut. If lift lever does not actuate, or there is no evidence of discharge, turn off equipment immediately and contact a licensed contractor or qualified service personnel for valve service or replacement.

For resetting, adjustment recertification or repairs contact Conbraco Industries for a list of Conbraco authorized and National Board "VR" certified service facilities.

Neither Conbraco Industries, Inc. nor it's agents assume any liability for valves improperly installed or maintained.

# **Nameplate Information**

## **ASME Code Symbol**

The ASME "UV" stamp will be added in the empty box shown above. The "UV" symbol signifies the valve has been designed, manufactured, and tested in accordance with Section VIII of the ASME Boiler and Pressure Vessel Code and is approved for use on unfired pressure vessels and pressure piping systems.

## **NB Symbol**

This symbol indicates the capacity value stamped on the nameplate has been certified by the National Board of Boiler and Pressure Vessel Inspectors.

#### **CRN**

This number, is the design registration number in accordance with CSA B51, the Canadian Boiler, Pressure Vessel and Pressure Piping Code.

## CAPACITY (lb/hr and kg/hr)

This is the approved capacity of the valve.

#### **SET (PSIG and BARG)**

This is the set pressure of the valve in pounds per square inch and bar gauge.

#### SIZE

This is the inlet size of the valve in inches.

#### TS

This is the maximum allowable temperature.

## DN

This is the metric size designation of the inlet.

#### **MFG DATE**

This is the date of manufacture (Month/Day/Year).

