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AUTOFLAME
FEED WATER CONTROL
GUIDE





#### 1 Autoflame Water Level Control

Autoflame Water Level control in the Mk8 MM focuses on safety and accuracy in controlling the water level in a steam boiler. The intelligent water level control includes high water alarms, 1<sup>st</sup> low and 2<sup>nd</sup> low alarms. Alarm level reporting deals with the ability to determine whether the current water level in the boiler is above or below a pre-determined level. These levels vary with each installation and must therefore be programmed on site by a qualified commissioning engineer.

The feedwater flow is managed by 3-element control, in response to the water level measured by the level sensing devices' readings, boiler pressure and the burner's firing rate. The flow is controlled by a fully modulating feedwater/VSD or by using an on/off signal from a feedwater pump. The feedwater going into the boiler can be controlled in the following ways by setting expansion option 2:

- Pump on/off only.
- Pump on/off and servomotor control.
- Pump on/off and VSD control.
- Pump on/off, servomotor and VSD control.

The Autoflame 3-element level control has been granted a worldwide patent; being the only system that can combine firing rate, steam pressure and water level within one controller for the purpose of improving feedwater control. Safety, accuracy and integrity are guaranteed.

The levels which are commissioned when using capacitance probes and/or external level sensing 4-20mA device include high, control point, 1st low, 2nd low and end of probe.

The level of the water in the boiler should be maintained appropriate to the amount of steam beinggenerated. Should the water level drop below this ideal level by an excessive amount, it is necessary to stop the burner firing. If there is insufficient water in the boiler, damage may occur to its structure, and in extreme cases, an explosion. The water level control herein is designed to maintain a satisfactory level of water in the boiler, whilst controlling and reporting low water level conditions.

Traditional feed water control manages water level in the boiler, steam flow and feed water flow separately, whereas the Autoflame feed water control coordinates the water level, firing rate and steam pressure simultaneously.



#### 1.1 Water Valves

### 1.1.1 Specifications

Water valves are universal for feed water, TDS, and bottom blowdown function. The table below lists the feedwater valves and the required servomotor size for each valve.

| Valva Typa         | Size        | Part No.      | Servomotor Required |        |        |  |
|--------------------|-------------|---------------|---------------------|--------|--------|--|
| Valve Type         | Size        | Size Fait No. |                     | UNIC05 | UNIC10 |  |
| Threaded BSP/ NPT  | 15mm (½")   | WLCVO15       | •                   |        |        |  |
| Tilleaded BSF/ NFT | 20mm (¾")   | WLCVO20       | •                   |        | _      |  |
|                    | 25mm (1")   | WLCVO25/FL    |                     | •      | _      |  |
| Flanged PN40       | 40mm (1 ½") | WLCVO40/FL    |                     |        | •      |  |
|                    | 50mm (2")   | WLCVO50/FL    |                     |        | •      |  |
|                    | 25mm (1")   | WLCVO25/FLU   |                     | •      | _      |  |
| Flanged ANSI 300lb | 40mm (1 ½") | WLCVO40/FLU   |                     |        | •      |  |
|                    | 50mm (2")   | WLCVO50/FLU   |                     |        | •      |  |

Maximum operating pressure: 29 Bar (425 PSI) Maximum operating temperature: 235°C (455°F)

Note: Autoflame water level probes are rated at maximum 16 Bar (232 PSI) and 200°C (392°F).





**Note:** Please check Autoflame Valves and Servomotors Guide for water level valves dimensions, specifications, drawings and information on service and maintenance.



# 1.2 Feed Water Valve Sizing

Feed water valves are available as threaded or flanged. Use the water velocity, pressure drop across the valve, water flow rate and steam flow rate to find the correct valve size.

|         | Autoflame Part No. WLCV015 - ½" feed water valve water flow calculations @20°C |               |              |            |                 |          |        |                 |  |
|---------|--|---------------|--------------|------------|-----------------|----------|--------|-----------------|--|
| Water \ | /elocity   | Pressure Drop | Across Valve | W          | Water Flow Rate |          |        | Steam Flow Rate |  |
| Ft/sec  | M/sec  | ∆P PSI        | ∆P Bar       | G/hr (imp) | G/M (imp)       | G/M (US) | lbs/hr | Kg/hr           |  |
| 6       | 1.82   | 1             | 0.07         | 160        | 2.6             | 3.2      | 1600   | 727             |  |
| 9       | 2.74   | 2             | 0.14         | 235        | 3.9             | 4.7      | 2350   | 1068            |  |
| 15      | 4.57   | 5             | 0.34         | 380        | 6.3             | 7.6      | 3800   | 1727            |  |
| 21      | 6.40   | 10            | 0.68         | 560        | 9.3             | 11.2     | 5600   | 2545            |  |
| 26      | 7.90   | 15            | 1.03         | 700        | 11.6            | 14       | 7000   | 3182            |  |
| 32      | 9.73   | 20            | 1.38         | 820        | 13.6            | 16.4     | 8200   | 3727            |  |

|         | Autoflame Part No. WLCV020 - ¾" feed water valve water flow calculations @20°C |               |              |                 |           |        |                 |       |
|---------|--|---------------|--------------|-----------------|-----------|--------|-----------------|-------|
| Water ' | Velocity   | Pressure Drop | Across Valve | Water Flow Rate |           |        | Steam Flow Rate |       |
| Ft/sec  | M/sec  | ΔP PSI        | ∆P Bar       | G/hr (imp)      | GPM (imp) | US GPM | lbs/hr          | Kg/hr |
| 8       | 2.43   | 1             | 0.07         | 460             | 7.7       | 9.2    | 4600            | 2090  |
| 12      | 3.65   | 2             | 0.14         | 665             | 11        | 13.3   | 6650            | 3022  |
| 19      | 5.79   | 5             | 0.34         | 1100            | 18.3      | 22     | 11000           | 5000  |
| 28      | 8.53   | 10            | 0.68         | 1630            | 27.1      | 32.63  | 16300           | 7409  |
| 34      | 10.34  | 15            | 1.03         | 2000            | 33.3      | 40     | 20000           | 9090  |
| 40      | 12.16  | 20            | 1.38         | 2400            | 40        | 48     | 24000           | 10909 |

|         | Autoflame Part No. WLCV025 - 1" feed water valve water flow calculations @20°C |               |              |            |                |        |         |          |
|---------|--|---------------|--------------|------------|----------------|--------|---------|----------|
| Water \ | Velocity   | Pressure Drop | Across Valve | W          | ater Flow Rate |        | Steam F | low Rate |
| Ft/sec  | M/sec  | ΔP PSI        | ∆P Bar       | G/hr (imp) | GPM (imp)      | US GPM | lbs/hr  | Kg/hr    |
| 13      | 3.96   | 1             | 0.07         | 1560       | 26             | 31.2   | 15600   | 7091     |
| 21      | 6.4  | 2             | 0.14         | 2300       | 38.3           | 46     | 23003   | 10456    |
| 32      | 9.75   | 5             | 0.34         | 3800       | 63.3           | 76     | 38005   | 17275    |
| 46      | 14.02  | 10            | 0.68         | 5600       | 93.9           | 112    | 56007   | 25458    |
| 60      | 18.24  | 15            | 1.03         | 7000       | 116.6          | 140    | 70008   | 31822    |
| 70      | 21.28  | 20            | 1.38         | 8200       | 136.6          | 164    | 82011   | 37278    |

|         | Autoflame Part No. WLCV040 – 1 ½" feed water valve water flow calculations @20°C |               |              |            |                |        |         |          |
|---------|--|---------------|--------------|------------|----------------|--------|---------|----------|
| Water ' | Velocity   | Pressure Drop | Across Valve | W          | ater Flow Rate |        | Steam F | low Rate |
| Ft/sec  | M/sec  | ΔP PSI        | ∆P Bar       | G/hr (imp) | GPM (imp)      | US GPM | lbs/hr  | Kg/hr    |
| 17      | 5.17   | 1             | 0.07         | 4700       | 78.3           | 94     | 47005   | 21366    |
| 25      | 7.60   | 2             | 0.14         | 6700       | 11.6           | 134    | 67007   | 30458    |
| 39      | 11.86  | 5             | 0.34         | 11200      | 186.6          | 224    | 112015  | 50916    |
| 60      | 18.24  | 10            | 0.68         | 16500      | 275            | 330    | 165022  | 75010    |
| 75      | 22.80  | 15            | 1.03         | 20000      | 333.3          | 400    | 200028  | 90922    |
| 90      | 27.36  | 20            | 1.38         | 24000      | 400            | 480    | 240033  | 109126   |

|         | Autoflame Part No. WLCV050 - 2" feed water valve water flow calculations @20°C |        |                            |            |                 |        |        |          |
|---------|--|--------|----------------------------|------------|-----------------|--------|--------|----------|
| Water ' | Water Velocity Pressure  |        | Pressure Drop Across Valve |            | Water Flow Rate |        |        | low Rate |
| Ft/sec  | M/sec  | ΔP PSI | ∆P Bar                     | G/hr (imp) | GPM (imp)       | US GPM | lbs/hr | Kg/hr    |
| 21      | 6.38   | 1      | 0.07                       | 10000      | 166.6           | 200    | 100014 | 45461    |
| 31      | 9.42   | 2      | 0.14                       | 15000      | 250             | 300    | 150020 | 68191    |
| 46      | 13.99  | 5      | 0.34                       | 24000      | 400             | 480    | 240033 | 109106   |
| 72      | 21.89  | 10     | 0.68                       | 36000      | 600             | 720    | 360049 | 163659   |
| 85      | 25.84  | 15     | 1.03                       | 44000      | 733             | 880    | 440061 | 200028   |
| 110     | 33.44  | 20     | 1.38                       | 51000      | 850             | 1021   | 510072 | 231851   |



#### 1.3 Feed Water Control

The boiler feed water can be controlled using:

- Pump on/off only
- Pump on/off and servomotor control
- Pump on/off and VSD control
- Pump on/off, servomotor control and VSD output

The table below shows the terminals on the MM allocated for the feed water control parts.

| Terminal | Description  |
|----------|--|
| P-       | 0V supply to top blowdown and feed water servomotors             |
| P+       | +12V supply to top blowdown and feed water servomotors           |
| TW       | Signal from feed water servomotor, indicating position           |
| l+       | Current output, 0-20mA or 4-20mA to feed water VSD or servomotor |
| V+       | Voltage output, 0-10V or 2-10V to feed water VSD or servomotor   |
| IV       | Common terminals for I+ and V+                                   |
| BFW      | Feed water pump contactor  |

The table below shows the expansion options relating to feed water control.

| Expansion Option | Description                                  |
|------------------|--|
| 2                | Feed water control element                   |
| 10               | Pump turn off point                          |
| 11               | Pump turn off percentage                     |
| 12               | Pump turn on percentage                      |
| 13               | Feed water control proportional band         |
| 14               | Feed water control integral time             |
| 15               | Feed water control derivative time           |
| 16               | Feed water servo open angle                  |
| 20               | Burner operation on feed water control fault |

The feed water pump can be set so that it turns off and on at percentages above and below the controlpoint/high water, via the feed water pump contactor on terminal BFW.

If the feed water control is set with servomotor or VSD, then the 3-term PID control will operate. The proportional band set in expansion option 13 is the percentage between the control point and 1<sup>st</sup> low level where corrections are made to the servomotor/VSD to maintain the control point; outside of the p-band, the servomotor/VSD will remain fully open. The integral time set in expansion option 14 will set how fast the system responds to feed water changes; for a slower response increase time, and vice versa for a faster response. The derivative time set in expansion option 165 is used when a quick response is required but where overshoot is undesired; the water level should not rise too high above the control point, so the derivative element will need to be enabled.

The feed water servomotor closed position is set by zeroing the potentiometer in Commissioning mode, however the open position is set in expansion option 16.



#### 1.4 **Related Item Part Numbers**

| Item No. | Water Control Valves Suitable for Feed Water, Bottom Blow Down & TDS Applications  | Kgs  | Part No      |
|----------|--|------|--------------|
| 1        | Threaded Feed Water Valve BSP/NPT (0.5"/15mm) 0.5" Feed water valve with bracket & coupling  | 4.00 | WLCV015      |
| 2        | Threaded Feed Water Valve BSP/NPT (0.75"/20mm) 0.75" Feed water valve with bracket & coupling  | 5.00 | WLCV020      |
| 3        | Flanged Feed Water Valve PN40 (1"/25mm) Stainless Steel Body, fitted with Tek-Fil seat   | 7.00 | WLCV025/FL   |
| 4        | Flanged Feed Water Valve PN40 (1.5"/40mm)  | 8.00 | WLCV040/FL   |
| 4        | Stainless Steel Body, fitted with Tek-Fil seat Flanged Feed Water Valve PN40 (2"/40mm)   | 8.00 | WLCV040/FL   |
| 5        | Stainless Steel Body, fitted with Tek-Fil seat   | 9.00 | WLCV050/FL   |
| 6        | Flanged Feed Water Valve ANSI 300lb (1"/25mm) Stainless Steel Body, fitted with Tek-Fil seat   | 7.00 | WLCV025/FLU  |
| 7        | Flanged Feed Water Valve ANSI 300lb (1.5"/40mm) Stainless Steel Body, fitted with Tek-Fil seat   | 8.00 | WLCV040/FLU  |
| 8        | Flanged Feed Water Valve ANSI 300lb (2"/50mm) Stainless Steel Body, fitted with Tek-Fil seat   | 9.00 | WLCV050/FLU  |
|          | Complete with Coupling and Mounting Assembly. Valves listed are not supplied with servomotors. For the 0.5" and 0.75" valves, large servomotors must be used. For 1" valves a UNIC05 servomotors must be used and for 1.5" & 2" valve a UNIC10 must be used. |      |              |
|          | Water Level Spares   |      |              |
| 11       | 0.5" Feedwater Valve Repair Kit Replacement parts for New Style feedwater valve fitted with Tekfil Seats. Excludes Mounting Bracket  | 0.00 | WLCV015/KIT  |
| 12       | 0.75" Feedwater Valve Repair Kit Replacement parts for New Style feedwater valve fitted with Tekfil Seats. Excludes Mounting Bracket   | 1.00 | WLCV020/KIT  |
| 13       | Teedwater Valve Repair Kit     Replacement parts for New Style feedwater valve fitted with Tekfil Seats. Excludes     Mounting Bracket   | 0.00 | WLCV025/KIT  |
| 14       | 1.5" Feedwater Valve Repair Kit<br>Replacement parts for New Style feedwater valve fitted with Tekfil Seats. Excludes<br>Mounting Bracket  | 1.00 | WLCV040/KIT  |
| 15       | 2" Feedwater Valve Repair Kit<br>Replacement parts for New Style feedwater valve fitted with Tekfil Seats. Excludes<br>Mounting Bracket  | 2.00 | WLCV050/KIT  |
| 16       | Water Level Probes Flying Leads Replacement Flying Leads for Water Level Probes, Length 2m (6ft)   | 0.05 | AUTO/0005    |
| 17       | Water Level Probes Flying Leads Replacement Flying Leads for Water Level Probes, Length 10m (32ft)   | 0.05 | AUTO/0005/10 |
| 18       | Mounting Bracket & Coupling for 1/2" & 3/4" Feed Water Valve includes fixing screws & washers  | 0.00 | SP30011      |
| 19       | Mounting Bracket & Coupling for 1" PN40 Feed Water Valve includes fixing screws & washers  | 0.00 | SP30012      |
| 20       | Mounting Bracket & Coupling for 1.5" PN40 Feed Water Valve includes fixing screws & washers  | 0.00 | SP30013      |
| 21       | Mounting Bracket & Coupling for 2" PN40 Feed Water Valve includes fixing screws & washers  | 0.00 | SP30014      |
| 23       | Mounting Bracket & Coupling for 1" ANSI 300lb Feed Water Valve includes fixing screws & washers  | 0.00 | SP30012/U    |
| 23       | Mounting Bracket & Coupling for 1.5" ANSI 300lb Feed Water Valve includes fixing screws & washers  | 0.00 | SP30013/U    |
| 24       | Mounting Bracket & Coupling for 2" Feed Water Valve ANSI 300lb includes fixing screws & washers  | 0.00 | SP30014/U    |

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| Item No. | Large Servo Motors  | Kgs  | Part No         |
|----------|---|------|-----------------|
| 25       | Large 4-20mA Servo Motor, 110V/230V 50/60Hz, Polycarbonate Housing 25Nm, 18ft lbs - Supplied with 2off Metal Glands                       | 1.85 | MM14204         |
| 26       | Large Servo Motor, 230V 50/60Hz, Polycarbonate Housing 25Nm, 18ft lbs - Supplied with 2off PG11 Glands                                    | 1.85 | MM10400         |
| 27       | Large Servo Motor, 230V 50/60Hz, Polycarbonate Housing 25Nm, 18ft lbs - Supplied with 1off PG11 - 1/2" NPSM and 1off Blanking Plug        | 1.85 | MM10400/NPSM    |
| 28       | Large Servo Motor, 110V 50/60Hz, Polycarbonate Housing 25Nm, 18ft lbs - Supplied with 2off PG11 Glands                                    | 1.85 | MM10400/A       |
| 29       | Large Servo Motor, 24V 50/60Hz, Polycarbonate Housing<br>25Nm, 18ft lbs - Supplied with 1off PG11 - 1/2" NPSM and 1off Blanking Plug      | 1.85 | MM10400/D       |
| 30       | Large Servo Motor, 230V 50/60Hz<br>25Nm, 18ft lbs - Supplied with 2off PG11 Glands  | 1.85 | MM10004         |
| 31       | Large Servo Motor, 230V 50/60Hz<br>25Nm, 18ft lbs - Supplied with 1off PG11 - 1/2" NPSM and 1off Blanking Plug                            | 1.85 | MM10004/NPSM    |
| 32       | Large Servo Motor, 110V 50/60Hz<br>25Nm, 18ft lbs - Supplied with 2off PG11 Glands  | 1.85 | MM10004/A       |
| 33       | Large Servo Motor, 24V 50/60Hz 25Nm, 18ft lbs - Supplied with 1off PG11 - 1/2" NPSM and 1off Blanking Plug                                | 1.85 | MM10004/D       |
|          | Large Servo Motors with ATEX Approval   |      |                 |
| 34       | Large Servo Motor, 230V 50/60Hz<br>25Nm, 18ft lbs. Ex nA nL IIC T4  | 1.85 | MM10004/EXP     |
| 35       | Large Servo Motor, 24V 50/60Hz<br>25Nm, 18ft lbs. Ex nA nL IIC T4   | 1.85 | MM10004/D/EXP   |
|          | Industrial Unic Servo Motors  |      |                 |
| 36       | Industrial Servo Motor 05, 230V 50/60Hz<br>40Nm, 30ft lbs   | 4.00 | MM10070         |
| 37       | Industrial Servo Motor 05, 120V 50/60Hz<br>40Nm, 30ft lbs   | 4.00 | MM10070/120     |
| 38       | Industrial Servo Motor 10, 230V 50/60Hz<br>98Nm, 72ft lbs   | 6.00 | MM10072         |
| 39       | Industrial Servo Motor 10, 120V 50/60Hz<br>98Nm. 72ft lbs   | 6.00 | MM10072/120     |
| 40       | Industrial Servo Motor 20, 230V 50/60Hz 200Nm, 148ft lbs  | 6.00 | MM10074/B       |
| 41       | Industrial Servo Motor 20, 110V 50/60Hz * Limited Availability* 200Nm, 148ft lbs  | 6.00 | MM10074/B/110   |
| 42       | Industrial Servo Motor 20, 120V 50/60Hz 200Nm, 148ft lbs  | 7.00 | MM10074/B/120   |
| 43       | Industrial Servo Motor 40, 230V 50/60Hz<br>400Nm, 295ft lbs - to be used with Solid State Relays  | 8.00 | MM10078         |
| 44       | Industrial Servo Motor 40, 110V 50/60Hz * Limited Availability* 400Nm, 295ft lbs - to be used with Solid State Relays                     | 8.00 | MM10078/110     |
| 45       | Industrial Servo Motor 40, 120V 50/60Hz<br>400Nm, 295ft lbs - to be used with Solid State Relays  | 8.00 | MM10078/120     |
| 46       | Industrial Servo Motor 10, 230V (4-20mA) 50/60Hz<br>98Nm, 72ft lbs (for use with the Mk7/Mk8 M.M. on channel 5/6)                         | 6.00 | MM10073         |
| 47       | Industrial Servo Motor 20, 230V (4-20mA) 50/60Hz<br>200Nm, 148 ft lbs (for use with the Mk7/Mk8 M.M. on channel 5/6)                      | 6.00 | MM10079         |
| 48       | Industrial Servo Motor 40, 230V (4-20mA) 50/60Hz<br>400Nm, 295 ft lbs (for use with the Mk7/Mk8 M.M. on channel 5/6)                      | 8.00 | MM10080         |
| 49       | Industrial Servo Motor 20, 110V (4-20mA) 50/60Hz * Limited Availability* 200Nm, 148 ft lbs (for use with the Mk7/Mk8 M.M. on channel 5/6) | 6.00 | MM10079/110     |
| 50       | Industrial Servo Motor 40, 110V (4-20mA) 50/60Hz * Limited Availability* 400Nm, 295 ft lbs (for use with the Mk7/Mk8 M.M. on channel 5/6) | 8.00 | MM10080/110     |
| 51       | Industrial Servo Motor 10, 120V (4-20mA) 50/60Hz<br>98Nm, 72ft lbs (for use with the Mk7/Mk8 M.M. on channel 5/6)                         | 6.00 | MM10073/120     |
| 52       | Industrial Servo Motor 20, 120V (4-20mA) 50/60Hz<br>200Nm, 148 ft lbs (for use with the Mk7/Mk8 M.M. on channel 5/6)                      | 6.00 | MM10079/120     |
| 53       | Industrial Servo Motor 40, 120V (4-20mA) 50/60Hz<br>400Nm, 295 ft lbs (for use with the Mk7/Mk8 M.M. on channel 5/6)                      | 8.00 | MM10080/120     |
|          | Industrial Unic Servo Motors with ATEX Approval   |      |                 |
| 54       | Industrial Servo Motor 10, 230V<br>98Nm, 72ft lbs. Ex nA nL IIC T4  | 6.00 | MM10072/EXP     |
| 55       | Industrial Servo Motor 10, 120V<br>98Nm, 72ft lbs. Ex nA nL IIC T4  | 6.00 | MM10072/110/EXP |
|          | Please note voltage and frequency (Hz). Servo motors are not supplied as standard with mounting kits.                                     |      |                 |

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