

# ***Operating Instructions***

***for ABO butterfly valves,  
Series 600, 900***

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## 1. Introduction

Centric rubber seated valves ABO, Series 600 and 900 have been designed to close or regulate the flow of fluids in pipelines. The correct type and material design is determined using brochures or manufacturer's recommendations during consultations.

## 2. Safety Instructions

Installation, operation and maintenance may only be performed by properly trained and instructed staff.

For detailed safety regulations see the separate document, which must be read carefully before installation.

## 3. Valve Identification

**Series 600** is designed for normal use for water, hot water, air etc. The material of the disc is optional: cast iron, brass, stainless steel. The material of the seat (EPDM or NBR) is indicated on the label.

**Series 900** is designed for chemical, gas industry etc. applications.

These valves have a label specifying the material, maximum temperature and pressure.

## 4. Transportation and Storage

Valves must be stored indoors in dry and dust-free environment at normal temperatures.

Valves must be stored in a slightly open position (never fully closed!). Valves must not be stacked on each other; this could cause damage to the collar.

When transporting large valves using a crane, they should only be handled by attaching the rope to the body, not the actuator or the lever.

## 5. Installation into Piping

The procedure is graphically described in the document **Installation Instructions**.

Valve sealing surfaces are made of rubber gasket parts; it is therefore necessary to use flanges with flat sealing strips, e.g. B shape according to EN 1092.

Before installation it is necessary to examine

- Whether the PN, DN and materials of the supplied valve corresponds to the intended use.
- Whether no damage occurred during transportation. **Do not use damaged valves!**
- Check the correct functioning of the valve (full opening and closing).
- Counter-flanges must be aligned and parallel; any impurities and solid particles from the flanges and piping must be removed.

The direction of the flow and valve position are optional. Horizontal position of the valve stem is recommended for  $DN \geq 350$ .

Flanges should be tightened so that a contact "metal to metal" between the flange and valve body is ensured. This is the only way to guarantee tightness (no other sealing is used).

## 6. Pipe Pressure Test

The actual valve is pressurized by the manufacturer. When fitted in the pipeline the entire pipe section with valves needs to be pressurized. The following must be observed:

- Newly installed section must be carefully rinsed (cleaned) to remove all mechanical impurities.
- Valves in open position: pressure at 1.5 times the PN.
- Valves in closed position: pressure at 1.1 times the PN.

## 7. Operation and Maintenance

Valves can be manually controlled using normal force, it is not recommended to extend the length of the lever. When the lever is parallel to the pipe the valve is opened; the position of the lever perpendicular to the pipe means that the valve is closed.

Opening and closing using the lever must be gradual rather than abrupt, to avoid hydraulic shock.

The valves are maintenance-free, it is only necessary to check during operation if the outer surface does not leak.

If the valve remains in the same position for a long time, it is recommended to close and open the valve repeatedly at least 4 times per year.

## 8. Assistance in Case of Failure

In case of failure and repair it is necessary to adhere to all safety rules - see the separate document **Safety Instructions**.

Failure	Cause of failure	Failure elimination
Leakage between the valve and flanges	Insufficiently tightened flange bolts	Tighten the bolts
	Valve not centred	Reinstall the valve in the correct position
	Internal diameter of the flange too large	Replace flanges
	Burnt or damaged seat	Replace the seat
Valve does not close	Solid particles between the seat and the butterfly	Remove and clean the valve, or replace the damaged parts
	Hardened or porous seat	Replace the seat
	Pressure of the medium too high	Check the pressure of the medium
Valve leaking when closed	Worn seat	Replace the seat
	Worn disc (erosion)	Replace the disc
	Incorrect closed position	Check and adjust the position
Leakage around the stem	Stem seal damage	Replace the seal

## 9. Valves with electric or pneumatic actuator

The above principles fully apply to these valves. It is also necessary to observe and check the correct end position adjustment of the actuators.

The positions of the actuators have been pre-set by the manufacturer and may not be adjusted.

The intake (or exhaust) of controlling air in pneumatic actuators can be adjusted to avoid their quick closure and hydraulic shock in the pipes.

## 10.Other Information

These regulations as well as other above-mentioned documents and further information – also in other languages – are available at [www.abovalve.com](http://www.abovalve.com) or at the following address:

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