

P8100 Liquid Level Controller

The BelGAS^{CP} P8100 series is a mechanically operated liquid level controller with a flexible yet rugged design that allows optimal performance in the harshest environments. Trim options for the pilot valve, arm, spring, and displacer provide the versatility to set the controller to a wide range of spans, levels, and use in most fluids.

Applications

- Separators
- Compressor Scrubbers
- Tanks
- Dehydrators
- Other Process Equipment

Features

- Snap or Throttle Pilot Valves: The snap pilot provides an output of 0 PSIG to full supply within the desired span; while the throttle pilot provides a proportional output of 0 PSIG to full supply across the entire desired span.
- Sealed and Vented Case: The case is designed to keep the internal mechanism isolated from the environment while also allowing gasses from the pilot valves to escape.
- **Hybrid Pilot:** Is a snap-acting pilot that utilizes a soft seat design. This design allows for positive seat seal making the controller a non-bleed unit.

Specifications

Pilot	Input (PSIG)	Output (% of Input)	Span (% of Displacer)		
Snap	0-30/0-60	100%	5%-100%		
Throttling	0-30/0-60	0-100%	5%-100%		
Hybrid	0-30/0-60	100%	5%-100%		



- **Field Reversible**: The unit can easily be reoriented to left or right handed and direct or reverse acting in the field using the instructions included.
- Adjustable Level and Span: With simple internal adjustments to the spring (level) and sensitivity arm (span) the unit can provide a wide range of options. Instructions are listed on the inside of the door for easy access.

Electric Specification								
Code	UL and CSA Listed							
	10 amps, 125 or 250 VAC							
"E" EXD-Q	0.30 amp, 125 VDC							
	0.15 amp, 250 VDC							

Disp	lacer	Minimum Allowable Fluid Specific Gravity				
Size (in.)	Arm Length (in.)	Top Level Control	Liquid Interface Level Control			
1.88 dia. x 12	15	0.3	0.035			

Connections	
Body	1 ^{1/2"} or 2" MNPT and Flanges
Pilot	1/4" FNPT

Displacer Material	Seal Material	Temperature Limits (°F)	Max Pressure (PSIG)
PVC		-40 to 140	6000
Acrylic	ic Nitrile or -40 to 180		6000
316 SS	Fluorocarbon	-40 to 225	2000 at 180°F 1500 at 400°F

Materials of Construction

Part	Material
Displacer	PVC, Acrylic, or 316 Stainless Steel
Spring	Stainless Steel
Door/Case	Cast Aluminum
Body	1018 Carbon Steel
Torque Bar	Aluminum
Displacer Bar	316 Stainless Steel
Bearing Block	316 Stainless Steel
Bearing	Chrome Steel/Rubber
Flapper Bar	Stainless Steel
Level Adjustment Bar	Aluminum

Dimensional Data



	A		B		C		כ		Ξ	F		G		Н	
in.	mm	in.	mm	in.	mm	in.	mm	in.	mm	in.	mm	in.	mm	in.	mm
6.00	152.40	4.30	109.22	3.05	77.47	8.75	222.25	1.00	25.40	2.69	68.33	7.57	192.28	2.50	63.50

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in.	mm	in.	mm	in.	mm	in.	mm	in.	mm	N	in.	mm	in.	mm
10.19	258.83	7.00	177.80	7.93	201.42	4.47	113.54	3.50	88.90	See Below	16.00	406.40	0.82	20.83

*With 15" displacer arm.

	N												
		Body Size (in.)											
ANSI Rating	End Connection	1	.5	2		3		4		6			
		in.	mm	in.	mm	in.	mm	in.	mm	in.	mm		
150	RF		—	6.50	165.10	6.56	166.70	6.56	166.70	6.50	165.10		
100	RTJ		—	6.69	169.88	6.88	174.63	6.88	174.63	6.69	169.88		
200	RF	—	—	6.81	173.05	6.75	171.45	6.88	174.63	6.94	176.73		
300	RTJ	—	—	7.06	179.40	7.00	177.80	7.25	184.15	7.19	182.58		
600	RF	—	—	7.19	182.58	7.13	180.98	7.50	190.50	7.63	193.68		
000	RTJ	—	—	7.25	184.15	7.31	185.75	7.56	192.10	7.69	195.28		
000	RF	—	—	8.00	203.20	9.63	244.48	10.13	257.18	—	—		
900	RTJ	—	—	8.06	204.80	9.69	246.08	10.19	258.78	—	—		
	RF	—	—	8.00	203.20	10.25	260.35	10.63	269.88	—	—		
1500	RTJ		_	8.06	204.80	10.31	261.95	10.69	271.48		_		
	MNPT	6.00	152.40	6.00	152.40								

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P8100 Part Matrix

			P81	01					Ν						Α	
Cont	rolle	r Case	•													
Stan	dard	Case		01												
Arm	Leng	th (in.)*													
7.75		E	15		Α											
8		F	18		Т]										
9		н	22		W]										
10		К	24		Υ	1										
12.5		N	32		5	1										
End	Conn	ectior	n (in.)													
1.5 (MNP ⁻	Г)				14										
2 (M	NPT,	RF, RT	J)			16										
3 (RF	, RTJ)				20										
4 (RF	, RTJ)				24										
5 (RF	, RTJ)				25										
6 (RF	, RTJ)				26										
8 (RF	, RTJ)				28]									
End	Conn	ectior	ı Type]									
Scre	ewed	MNP	Г				MS									
Rais	ed Fa	ce Fla	inge (RF)			RF	1								
Ring	Туре	Joint	Flang	e (R	ΓJ)		RJ	1								
End	Conn	ectior	n Ratii	ng												
MN	РΤ		(D /	ANSI 6	00		6								
ANS	I 150		1	1 /	ANSI 9	00		9]							
ANS	1 300		3	3 /	ANSI 1	500		5]							
Mat	erials	• Boo	dy, Sh	aft a	nd Bea	ring l	Block]							
1018	Carb	on Ste	eel/31	6 Sta	ainless	Stee	I NAC	E	N							
Pilo	t															
Snaj	o (Pne	eumat	ic On/	Off)						S						
Thro	ttling	(Pneu	umatio	c Mo	dulatir	ig)				Т						
Hybi	rid No	n-Ble	ed Pil	ot (P	neuma	tic Ol	N/OFF)		Ν						
DPD	T Ele	ctric S	Switch	1						Е						
Mou	nting	Conti	roller	Actio	on**											
Left	Hand	/Direc	t								LD					
Left	Hand	/Reve	rse								LR					
Righ	t Han	d/Dire	ect								RD					
Righ	t Han	d/Rev	erse								RR					
Seal	Mate	erial														
Bun	a-N											0				
Fluo	rocar	bon										2				
Disp	lacer	(in.)*	-													
1.88	x 12/	PVC											Α			
1.88	x 12/	Acryl	ic										J			
1.88	x 12/	316 S [.]	tainle	ss St	eel								0			
Gau	ge Ty	pe (Ra	nge /	Mate	erial)											
0-30 PSI / 316 Stainless Steel										3						
0-60	PSI/	316 St	tainles	ss St	eel									6		
Elec	tric (E	Pilot	Optio	ns O	nly)									E		
Encl	osure	•														
Standard Case (8101) A																
Spring (Consult Factory for Selection of Spring Type)																
Ligh	t Duty	(Gree	en)					L	Hea	vy Du	ty (Yel	low)				Η
Med	lium D) uty (S	Silver)					M	X-He	eavy [Duty (I	Red)				Κ

Pressure Gauge Repa			
971P81	0	0	
Range			
0-30 PSIG Gauges (Le	1		
0-60 PSIG Gauges (Le	ft and R	ight)	2

Pilot Valve Repair Kit			
971P81			
Part Combination			
Pilot Valve Only (w/connections & sponge)			
Pilot Valve w/Gauges (w/connections & sponge)			
Pilot Valve w/Gauges (wo/connections & sponge)	4		
Pilot Valve Repair Parts	5		
Valve Type			
Snap		1	
Throttle		2	
Hybrid	3		
Range			
0-30 PSIG Gauges (Le	1		
0-60 PSIG Gauges (Le	ft and R	ight)	2

Elastomeric Parts Repair Kit						
971P81 0						
Kit Type						
Elastomeric						
Repair Kit	э					
Material						
Nitrile	1					
Fluorocarbon		2				

*More options available upon request.

**Left hand mount is designated by the displacer arm on the left hand side when looking at the front of the unit.

P8100 Parts List (Pneumatic)



ltem	Description		Qty.	Part Number		ltem	
1	Stud		2	657-018-000		19	L
2	Stop Nut		2	634-208-000		20	S
3	Adjustment Scre	W	1	648-558-000		21	S
4	Adjustment Scre	w Jam Nut	1	634-209-000		22	C
5	Level Adjustmen	t Bar	1	670-038-000		23	C
6	Pilot Assembly S	crew	2	648-562-000			-
7A	Left Gauge (0-30	& 0-60 PSIG)	2	Can Danair Kita		24	F
7B	Right Gauge (0-3	80 & 0-60 PSIG)					
8	Retaining Ring		1	693-030-000		25	F
9	Fulcrum		1	694-002-001		26	E
10	Thumb Screw		1	648-565-000		27	S
11	Flapper Bar		1	670-037-000		28	٧
12	Latch		1	607-310-000		29	E
13	Latch Rivet		2	645-031-000		30	F
	14 Displacer Bar	7.75″	1	646-549-002K	21		E
		8″		646-549-009K		- 31	
		9″		646-549-005K			E
		10″		646-549-004K		32	(
11		12.5″		646-549-000K		52	C
14		15″		646-549-001K			
		18″		646-549-006K		33	S
		22″		646-549-003K	24		c
		24″		646-549-007K		34	
		32″		646-549-008K		35	S
15	Sensitivity Adjus	tment Plate	1	632-568-000		36	E
16	Level Adjustment Screw		2	648-563-001		37	H
17	Upper Spring Re	tainer	1	643-217-000			
	Spring	Light	1	655-761-000		38	L 1
10		Medium		655-762-000			'
18		Heavy		655-763-000		51	١
		Extra Heavy		655-764-000		52	S

ltem	Description		Qty.	Part Number	
19	Lower Spring Retainer		1	643-219-000	
20	Spring Bolt		1	648-564-000	
21	Spring Bolt Jam	Nut	1	634-209-001	
22	Gasket		1	See Repair Kits	
23	Door/Case		1	842-002-000	
	Pneumatic	Snap			
24	Pilot	Throttle	1	See Repair Kits	
	1 1101	Hybrid			
25	Pipe Adapter		2	See Repair Kits	
26	Bar Torque		1	670-040-000	
27	Spacer		1	654-191-000	
28	Washer		1	662-431-000	
29	Bearing Block		2	602-130-000	
30	Radial Ball Bearing		1	602-132-000	
21	Bearing	Nitrile	2	Saa Panair Vita	
51	Block O-ring	Fluorocarbon			
	Body 1.5" MNPT			664-414-000	
22	(Other	2" MNPT	1	664-411-000	
32	Options Available)	4″ 150 RF		805-380-000	
		4" 300 RF		805-381-000	
33	Shaft	·	1	651-104-000	
24	Chaft O sin s	Nitrile	2		
34 Shaft U-ring		Fluorocarbon	Z	See nepair Kits	
35	Shaft Back-up Ring		2	See Repair Kits	
36	Bearing Block Cap		1	610-079-000	
37	Hex Bushing		1	608-085-000	
	D: 1	PVC	1	660-106-000K	
38	Displacer 1.88" x 12"	Acrylic		660-107-000K	
		Stainless Steel		818-008-000K	
51	Vertical Displacer Kit		1	821-000-003	
52	Sealing Sponge		1	See Repair Kits	

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P8100 Parts List (Electric)



ltem	Desc	ription	Qty.	Part Number	Item	Description		Qty.	Part Number	
1	Stud		2	657-018-000	20	Spring Bolt		1	648-564-000	
2	Stop Nut		2	634-208-000	21	Spring Bolt Jam	Nut	1	634-209-001	
3	Adjustment Scre	W	1	648-558-000	22	Gasket		1	See Repair Kits	
4	Adjustment Scre	w Jam Nut	1	634-209-000	23	Door/Case		1	842-003-000	
5	Level Adjustmen	t Bar	1	670-038-000	24	Electric Pilot		1	659-004-000	
6	Pilot Assembly S	crew	2	648-562-001	26	Bar Torque		1	670-040-000	
8	Retaining Ring		1	693-030-000	27	Spacer		1	654-191-000	
9	Fulcrum		1	694-002-001	28	Washer		1	662-431-000	
10	Thumb Screw		1	648-565-000	29	Bearing Block		2	602-130-000	
11	Flapper Bar		1	811-084-000	30	Radial Ball Bear	ing	1	602-132-000	
12	Latch		1	607-310-000	21	Bearing	Nitrile	n	Soo Ropair Kita	
13	Latch Rivet		2	645-031-000	31	Block O-ring	Fluorocarbon	Z		
		7.75″		646-549-002K		Body	1.5" MNPT	· 1 ·	664-414-000	
		8″		646-549-009K	22	(Other Options	2" MNPT		664-411-000	
		9″		646-549-005K	52		4" 150 RF		805-380-000	
		10″		646-549-004K		Available)	4" 300 RF		805-381-000	
14	Displacer	12.5″	1	646-549-000K	33	Shaft		1	651-104-000	
14	Bar	15″	1	646-549-001K	24	Shoft O ving Nitrile		n	Soo Ropair Kita	
		18″		646-549-006K	54	Shart O-filing	Fluorocarbon	2		
		22″		646-549-003K	35	Shaft Back-up R	ing	2	See Repair Kits	
		24″		646-549-007K	36	Bearing Block C	ар	1	610-079-000	
		32″		646-549-008K	37	Hex Bushing		1	608-085-000	
15	Sensitivity Adjus	tment Plate	1	632-568-000		PVC			660-106-000K	
16	Level Adjustmen	t Screw	2	648-563-001	38	1 88" x 12" Acrylic		1	660-107-000K	
17	Upper Spring Re	tainer	1	643-217-000		Stainless Steel			818-008-000K	
		Light		655-761-000	51	Vertical Displace	er Kit	1	821-000-003	
10	Spring	Medium	1	655-762-000	61	Conduit Tubing		1	660-134-000	
10	opinig	Heavy		655-763-000	62	62 Conduit Nut 63 Sealed Conduit Nut		1	634-227-000	
		Extra Heavy		655-764-000	63			1	634-228-000	
19	Lower Spring Re	tainer	1	643-219-000						

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ltem	Description		Qty.	Part Number		
39	Hinge Pin		2	635-082-000		
40	Lens Gasket		2	See Repair Kits		
41	Lens		2	619-070-000		
42	Lens Holder			643-216-000		
43	Lens Holder Screw			648-561-000		
45	Latch			669-032-000		
46	Door Nameplate		1	632-569-000		
47	Nameplate		1	632-566-000		
48	Bearing Tolerance Ring	Not Shown	1	644-311-000		

ltem	Description		Qty.	Part Number
49	Screen		1	647-019-000
50	Body Assembly Screw		2	648-563-000
53	Washer	Not Shown	1	662-246-000
54	Body Gasket		1	See Repair Kits
55	Name Plate Drive Screw		2	648-573-000

Theory of Operation

The P8100 liquid level controller operates on the force balance principle. Force is applied to one side of the torque bar by the weight of a displacer type level sensing element. On the opposite side of the torque bar, this force is balanced by a compressed spring which produces an opposing force. As the level rises, the displacer increases immersion in the liquid. Produced buoyancy force results



in relative weight decreases and decreased force on the torque bar. Forces are balanced as the torque bar rotates until it is detected by the pilot through a fulcrum mounted to the flapper bar to achieve desired controller output. A snap pilot is used for pneumatic on/off output signals, a throttle pilot is used for pneumatic modulating signals and electric pilots are used for SPDT or DPDT output signals.

Level Adjustment

The liquid level control point is changed by adjusting compression to the balance spring using an adjusting knob. Compression to the balance spring is applied until the force of the spring to the torque bar is equal to opposing force caused by displacer weight.

The liquid level control point is increased by decreasing compression on the balance spring. Increased liquid level causes decreased relative displacer weight. Less opposing force is needed to achieve balance.

The liquid level control point is decreased by increasing compression on the balance spring. Decreased liquid level causes increased relative displacer weight. More opposing force to is needed to achieve balance. (Figure 5)

P8100 Controller Mounting & Action Configurations



Action Configuration

Controller action is determined by the position of the flapper bar as shown in Figure 6.

A direct acting controller has the flapper bar pivot point on the same side as the balance spring. Direct action occurs when the controller output flows in the same direction as the liquid level. The controller output signal will increase and decrease as the liquid level rises and lowers.

A reverse acting controller has the flapper bar pivot point on the oppisite side as the balance spring. Reverse action occurs when the controller output flows in the opposite direction as the liquid level.

The P8100 controller can be installed using right hand or left hand mounting, as shown in Figure 6. Mounting orientation is easily changed in the field. When facing the front of the controller, the position of the level controller mounted to the unit determines the mounting style. If the controller is positioned on the right side of the unit, it is right hand mounting and if positioned on the left side of the unit, it is left hand mounting.

Proportional Band

Proportional band is the ratio of used displacer length to total displacer length. Used displacer length is changed input that causes a corresponding 100% change in controller output in the control valve position. Example: If a change of 4" in level causes controller output to change from 0-100% with a 12" displacer, the proportional band is 33%. Changing the proportional band to 50% will achieve the same 100% change in and output would be 6". Increasing proportional band from 33% to 50% decreased controller sensitivity from 4" to 6". Decrease proportional band and increase controller sensitivity by sliding the fulcrum away from pivot point toward the pilot. Increase proportional band and decrease controller sensitivity by sliding the fulcrum toward pivot point away from the pilot. (Figure 7)



P8100 Pilot Operation

Snap Pilot Operation

The snap pilot is a two valve unit as shown in Figure 8. One valve takes in system supply pressure and the other valve is for system pressure exhaust. The ball controls supply gas flow into the pilot. Supply pressure holds the ball closed on the pilot seat and acts upon the seating area of the ball. Force from the flapper bar to the thrust pin increases to overcome the force that keeps the ball seated. The ball snaps off the pilot seat and allows supply gas to flow past the ball and through the pilot output port. The circular seating end of the thrust pin seats and closes the exhaust port at the same time the ball snaps open. The seating area of the thrust pin has a smaller seating area than the ball and will remain seated against the supply pressure until force on the thrust pin from the flapper bar decreases. At the same time an action occurs as force from the flapper bar on the thrust pin is removed. Supply pressure unseats the thrust pin and opens the pilot exhaust port. The ball reseats and closes off the supply port. The pilot's snap action comes from the differance in seating areas.

Throttle Pilot Operation

The throttle pilot is also a two valve unit and uses a resilient diaphragm with the valves to create a force balance pilot as shown in Figure 9.

Output supply pressure is put on the diaphragm and the diaphragm pushes back with equal force being applied to the thrust pin by the flapper bar to create force balance. The throttle pilot functions the same way as the snap pilot but output pressure is in proportion to the force being applied to the lower seat by the flapper bar. Increasing force on the peanut will produce a proportionate increase in output pressure.

Changing force on the peanut requires the pilot to seek a new balance point by exhausting the supply output of the upper valve or unseating the lower valve to increase output pressure. While pilot is in balance, supply gas does not flow.



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