Gems Sensors & Controls

Flow Rate Monitoring – RFA Types

0 to 10 VDC Analog Output

GEMS Sensors popularized the RotorFlow's paddlewheel design by combining high visibility rotors with solid-state electronics that are packaged into compact, panel mounting housings. They provide accurate flow rate output with integral visual confirmation...all with an unprecedented price/performance ratio. RFA Types feature a 0 to 10 VDC analog output which is proportional to flow rate.

Specifications

Wetted Materials	
Body	Brass, 316 Stainless Steel or Polypropylene (Hydrolytically Stable, Glass Reinforced)
Rotor Pin	Ceramic
Rotor	PPS Composite, Black[1]
Lens	Polysulfone
O-Ring	Viton® (Alloy Bodies); Buna N (Polypropylene Body)
Low Flow Adaptor	Glass Reinforced Polypropylene
Operating Pressure, Maximum	
Brass or Stainless Steel Body	200 PSIG (13.8 bar) @ 70°F (21°C), 100 PSIG (6.9 bar) @ 212°F (100°C)[2]
Polypropylene Body	100 PSIG (6.9 bar) @ 70°F (21°C), 40 PSI (2.8 bar) Max. @ 180°F (82°C)
Operating Temperature,	
Brass or Stainless Steel Body	-20°F to 212°F (-29°C to 100°C)
Polypropylene Body	-20°F to 180°F (-29°C to 82°C)
Electronics	150°F (65°C) Ambient
Viscosity, Maximum	200 SSU
Input Power	24 VDC, ±10%
Output Signal	0-10 VDC Analog Signal @ 1mA, Max.
Current Consumption	25 mA, Max.
Current Source Output, Max.	10 mA
Accuracy	See Table Below
Electrical Termination	22 AWG PVC-Jacketed, 24″ Cable. Color Coded: Red = +VDC; Black = Ground; White = Signal Output

Notes:
1. Standard on Stainless Steel bodies.
2. For higher pressure/temperature ratings stainless steel face plates are available. Consult factory.

How To Order

For standard configurations, specify Part Number based on desired body material and port size.

Body Material	Port Size NPT	Flow Ranges – GPM			
		Low Range (Accuracy)	Part Number	Standard Range (Accuracy)	Part Number
Polypropylene	.25″	0.1 to 1.0 (±7.0%)	**230206⚡**	0.5 to 5.0 (±7.0%)	**230205⚡**
	.50″	1.5 to 12.0 (±7.0%)	**230207⚡**	4.0 to 20.0 (±15.0%)	**230201⚡**
Brass	.25″	0.1 to 1.0 (±7.0%)	**230209⚡**	0.5 to 5.0 (±7.0%)	**230202**
	.50″	1.5 to 12.0 (±7.0%)	**230210⚡**	4.0 to 20.0 (±15.0%)	**230203**
	.75″	—	—	5.0 to 30.0 (±10.0%)	**230212⚡**
	1.00″	—	—	8.0 to 60.0 (±15.0%)	**230214**
Stainless Steel	9/16″-18	0.1 to 1.0 (±7.0%)	**230211**	0.5 to 5.0 (±7.0%)	**230204**
	.50″	1.5 to 12.0 (±7.0%)	**230216**	4.0 to 20.0 (±15.0%)	**230208**
	.75″	—	—	5.0 to 30.0 (±10.0%)	**230213**
	1.00″	—	—	8.0 to 60.0 (±15.0%)	**230215**

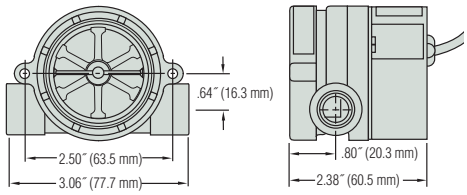
⚡ – Stock Items.

Typical Applications

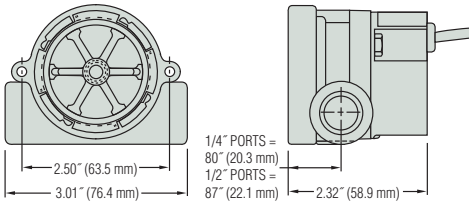
- Water Purification/Dispensing Systems
- Chemical Metering Equipment
- Lasers and Welders
- Water Injection Systems
- Semiconductor Processing Equipment
- Chillers and Heat Exchangers

Dimensions

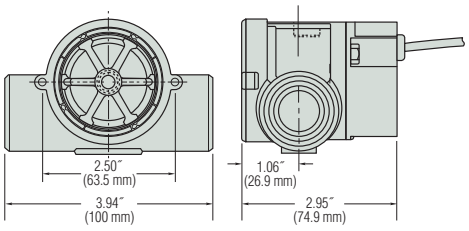
Polypropylene Bodies



Brass and Stainless Steel Bodies - .25″ and .50″ Ports



Brass Bodies – .75″ and 1.00″ NPT Ports



High Resolution Black Rotor

PPS composite. Each of the six rotor arms is magnetized. A PTFE loaded bushing ensures long life.

FLOW SENSORS – ELECTRONIC

Visual Indicators – RFI Types

This is RotorFlow in its most basic form — a bright orange rotor turning with fluid flow. Simple, direct and reliable. Flow rate is estimated, or simply confirmed, by viewing the speed of the turning rotor. Either port may be used for incoming flow, and bayonet mounting lens is easily removed for quick cleanout. RFI Type RotorFlow sensors are easy to see, easy to install and easy to afford.

Typical Applications

• Visual flow confirmation on heat exchangers • Plastic injection molding equipment

Specifications

Wetted Materials	
Body	Brass, 316 Stainless Steel or Polypropylene (Hydrolytically Stable, Glass Reinforced)
Rotor Pin	Ceramic
Rotor	High Visibility Orange, Molded Nylon
Lens	Polysulfone
O-Ring	Viton® (Brass Body); Buna N (Polypropylene Body)
Low Flow Adaptor	Glass Reinforced Polypropylene
Operating Pressure,	
Brass or Stainless Steel Body	100 PSIG (7 bar) @212°F (100°C) 200 PSIG (13.8 bar) Max. @ 70°F (21°C)
Polypropylene Body	100 PSIG (6.9 bar) at 70°F (21°C), 40 PSI (2.8 bar) Max. @ 180°F (82°C)
Operating Temperature,	
Brass or Stainless Steel Body	-20°F to 212°F (-29°C to 100°C)
Polypropylene Body	-20°F to 180°F (-29°C to 82°C)

Operating Principle

1. As liquid passes through the RotorFlow body, the rotor spins at a rate proportional to flow.
2. RotorFlow Indicators may be mounted with flow entering either port. At low flow rates, performance is optimized by positioning ports at the top of the unit, in a horizontal plane.

How To Order

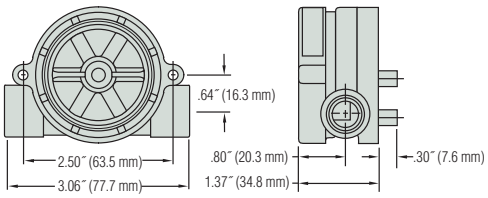
Specify Part Number based on desired body material and port size.

Body Material	Port Size NPT	Flow Ranges – GPM		Part Number
		Low* Range	Standard Range	
Polypropylene	.25″	0.1 to 1.0	0.5 to 5.0	**155420** ⚡
	.50″	1.5 to 12.0	4.0 to 20.0	**155480** ⚡
Brass	.25″	0.1 to 1.0	0.5 to 5.0	**142541** ⚡
	.50″	1.5 to 12.0	4.0 to 20.0	**142542** ⚡
	.75″	—	5.0 to 30.0	**180392** ⚡
	1.00″	—	8.0 to 60.0	**181681** ⚡
Stainless Steel	9/16″ - 18**	0.1 to 1.0	0.5 to 5.0	**174596**
	.50″	1.5 to 12.0	4.0 to 20.0	**173138** ⚡
	.75″	—	5.0 to 30.0	**181682**
	1.00″	—	8.0 to 60.0	**181683**

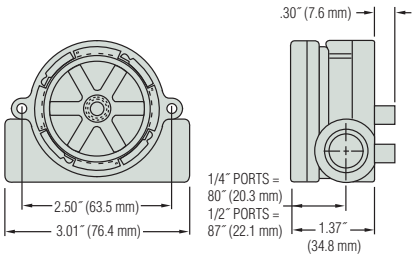
* With use of Low Flow Adapter supplied. See Page F-8 for more information.
** Straight thread with O-ring seal.
⚡ – Stock Items.

Dimensions

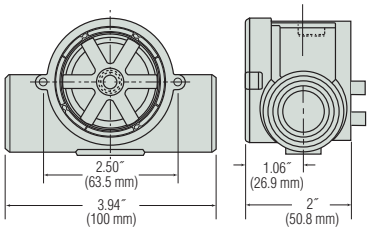
Polypropylene Bodies



Brass and Stainless Steel Bodies - .25″ and .50″ Ports



Brass Body – .75″ and 1.00″ Ports



High Visibility Orange Rotor

Constructed of Molded Nylon for good general purpose compatibility with a wide range of fluids. Offers high visibility.

FLOW SENSORS – ELECTRONIC

Gems Sensors & Controls

Flow Rate Monitoring – RFO Type

4.5 to 24 VDC Pulsed Output

GEMS Sensors popularized the RotorFlow's paddlewheel design by combining high visibility rotors with solid-state electronics that are packaged into compact, panel mounting housings. They provide accurate flow rate output with integral visual confirmation...all with an unprecedented price/performance ratio. RFO Types feature a VDC pulsed output.

Typical Applications

- Water Purification/Dispensing Systems • Chemical Metering Equipment
- Lasers and Welders • Water Injection Systems
- Semiconductor Processing Equipment • Chillers and Heat Exchangers

Specifications

Wetted Materials	
Body	Brass, 316 Stainless Steel or Polypropylene (Hydrolytically Stable, Glass Reinforced)
Rotor Pin	Ceramic
Rotor	PPS Composite, Black
Lens	Polysulfone[1]
O-Ring	Viton® (Alloy Bodies); Buna N (Polypropylene Body)
Low Flow Adaptor	Glass Reinforced Polypropylene
Operating Pressure, Maximum	Optional SS Face Plate 500 PSI
Brass or Stainless Steel Body	200 PSIG (13.8 bar) @ 70°F (21°C), 100 PSI (6.9 bar) Max. @ 212°F (100°C)[1]
Polypropylene Body	100 PSIG (6.9 bar) @ 70°F (21°C), 40 PSI (2.8 bar) Max. @ 180°F (82°C)
Operating Temperature,	
Brass or Stainless Steel Body	-20°F to 212°F (-29°C to 100°C)
Polypropylene Body	-20°F to 180°F (-29°C to 82°C)
Electronics	150°F (65°C) Ambient
Viscosity, Maximum	200 SSU
Input Power	4.5 VDC to 24 VDC
Output Signal	4.5 VDC to 24 VDC Pulse. (Sourcing) Pulse Rate Dependent on Flow Rate, Port Size and Range.
Current Consumption	8 mA, No Load
Current Source Output, Max.	70 mA
Frequency Output Range	15 Hz (Low Flow) to 225 Hz (High Flow)
Accuracy	See Table Below
Electrical Termination	22 AWG PVC-Jacketed, 24″ Cable. Color Coded: Red = +VDC; Black = Ground; White = Signal Output

Notes:
1. For higher pressure/temperature ratings, stainless face plates are available. Consult factory.

How To Order

For standard configurations, specify Part Number based on desired body material and port size.

Body Material	Port Size NPT	Flow Range – GPM		Part Number
		Low Range* (Accuracy)	Standard Range (Accuracy)	
Polypropylene	.25″	0.1 to 1.0 (±7.0%)	0.5 to 5.0 (±7.0%)	**155421** ⚡
	.50″	1.5 to 12.0 (±7.0%)	4.0 to 20.0 (±15.0%)	**155481** ⚡
Brass	.25″	0.1 to 1.0 (±7.0%)	0.5 to 5.0 (±7.0%)	**156261** ⚡
	.50″	1.5 to 12.0 (±7.0%)	4.0 to 20.0 (±15.0%)	**156262** ⚡
	.75″	—	5.0 to 30.0 (±15.0%)	**194761** ⚡
	1.00″	—	8.0 to 60.0 (±15.0%)	**194762** ⚡
Stainless Steel	9/16″-18**	0.1 to 1.0 (±7.0%)	0.5 to 5.0 (±7.0%)	**165071**
	.50″	1.5 to 12.0 (±7.0%)	4.0 to 20.0 (±15.0%)	**165075** ⚡
	.75″	—	5.0 to 30.0 (±15.0%)	**194763**
	1.00″	—	8.0 to 60.0 (±15.0%)	**194764** ⚡

⚡ – Stock Items.

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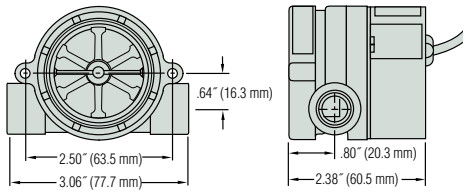
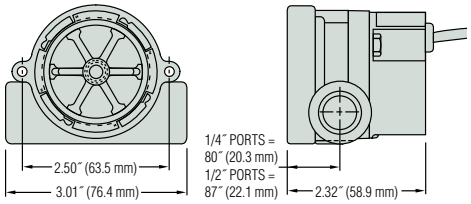
Dimensions

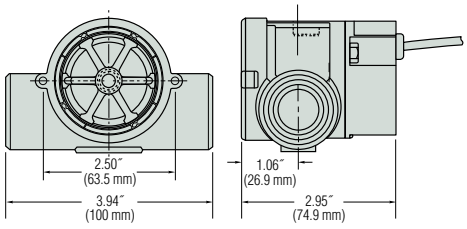
Polypropylene Bodies



Brass and Stainless Steel Bodies - .25″ and .50″ Ports



Brass Bodies – .75″ and 1.00″ NPT Ports



High Resolution Black Rotor

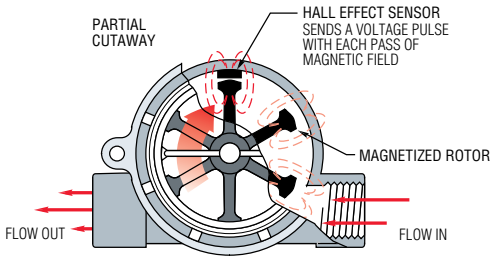
PPS composite. Each of the six rotor arms is magnetized. A PTFE loaded bushing ensures long life.

Note: Improved accuracy can be achieved by calibrating the individual RFO unit.

*With use of Low Flow Adapter supplied. See Page F-8 for more information.
**Straight thread with O-ring seal.

FLOW SENSORS – ELECTRONIC

Operating Principle



1. As liquid passes through the RotorFlow body, the magnetic rotor spins at a rate proportional to flow. This causes a series of magnetic fields (the rotor vanes) to excite the Hall Effect sensor, producing a series of voltage pulses.

2. The output pulses (RFO) are at the same voltage level as the input (4.5 - 24 VDC) with a frequency proportional to the flow rate. The output signal can be utilized by digital rate meters totalizers or other electronic controllers. RFA Type analog sensors condition the output signal to 0-10 VDC.

3. RotorFlow Indicators may be mounted with flow entering either port. Performance is optimized by positioning ports at the top of the unit, in a horizontal plane.

Frequency vs. Flow Rate-Typical

	Output Frequency – Hz					
	RFO Model – Based on Port Size					
Flow Rate (GPM)	.25˝	.25˝ with Adapter*	.50˝	.50˝ with Adapter*	.75˝	1˝
0.10		13				
0.25		41				
0.50	15	90				
0.75		137				
1.0	34	186				
1.5	54			17		
2.0	73			25.9		
2.5	90			34		
3.0	110			43		
3.5	128					
4.0	148		34	60		
4.5	168					
5.0	185		44.8	76.7	24	
6.0			55	94		
7.0			65.9	111		
8.0			76	129		22
9.0			87.5	147		
10			99	165	61	30
11			110	185		
12			122	204		
13			135			
14			147			
15			158		93	43
16			170			
17			183			
18			195			
19			207			
20			220		128	60
25					163	74
30					196	91
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40						123
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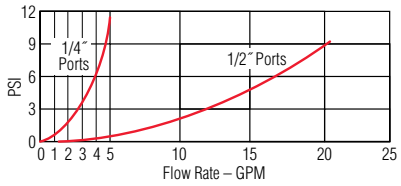
50						153
55						170
60						185

*Low Flow Adapter

Pressure Drop-Typical

Standard Flow Range Units



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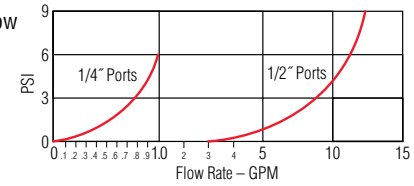
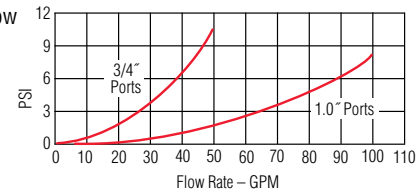


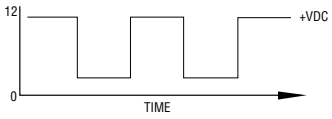
High Flow Units



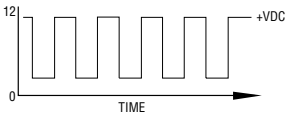
Signal Output

Output signal for RFO Types is an on/off pulse of the DC voltage supplied to the unit, it is compatible with all digital logic families. Input voltage range is 4.5 to 24 VDC. Frequency of the output pulse is proportional to the flow rate and ranges from approximately 15 Hz at low flow to 225 Hz at high flow.

Example:
Low Flow



High Flow

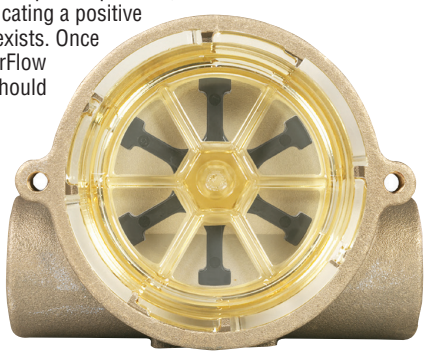


Note: Consult factory for flow rate/frequency curves.

Flow Set Point Switching – RFS Types

- Combines visual confirmation of flow with dynamic, electronic switch operation
- Easy, adjustable switch point calibration: a local LED signals when set point is reached

RotorFlow® Switches build an extra level of reliability and protection into your equipment. By principle of operation, the rotor cannot be deceived into indicating a positive flow situation when no flow actually exists. Once set to a desired actuation point, RotorFlow will switch to a "no-flow" condition should the rotor stop for any reason.



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Typical Applications

Protect expensive electronic equipment from coolant flow failure on...

- Semiconductor Processing Equipment
- Lasers • Medical Equipment
- X-Ray and Other High Power Tubes
- Robotic Welding Equipment

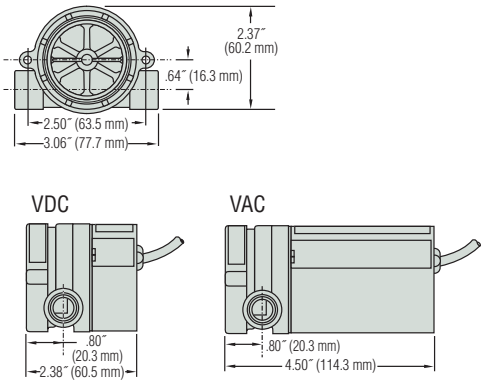
Specifications

Wetted Materials		
Body	Brass, 316 Stainless Steel or Polypropylene (Hydrolytically Stable, Glass Reinforced)	
Rotor Pin	Ceramic	
Rotor	PPS Composite, Black	
Lens	Polysulfone	
O-Ring	Viton® (Alloy Bodies); Buna N (Polypropylene Body)	
Low Flow Adaptor	Glass Reinforced Polypropylene	
Operating Pressure, Maximum		
Brass or Stainless Steel Body	200 PSIG (13.8 bar) @ 70°F (21°C), 100 PSIG (6.9 bar) Max. @ 212°F (100°C)[1]	
Polypropylene Body	100 PSIG (6.9 bar) @ 70°F (21°C), 40 PSI (2.8 bar) Max. @ 180°F (82°C)	
Operating Temperature,		
Brass or Stainless Steel Body	-20°F to 212°F (-29°C to 100°C)	
Polypropylene Body	-20°F to 180°F (-29°C to 82°C)	
Electronics	150°F (65°C) Ambient	
Viscosity, Maximum	200 SSU	
Input Power	24 VDC or 115 VAC	
Relay Contact Ratings (SPDT)	1 Amp, 24 VDC Resistive; 0.3 Amp, 110 VAC	
Current Consumption	**No Load**	**Load (Relay Energized)**
24 VDC	20mA	35mA
115 VAC	45mA	95mA
Repeatability	2% Maximum Deviation	
Set Point Accuracy (Factory Set)	± 5%	
Set Point Differential	15% Maximum	
Electrical Termination	20 AWG PVC-Jacketed, 24″ Cable. Color Codes: Red = +VAC/VDC, Black = Ground, White = N.O. Contact, Brown = N.C. Contact, Green = Common	

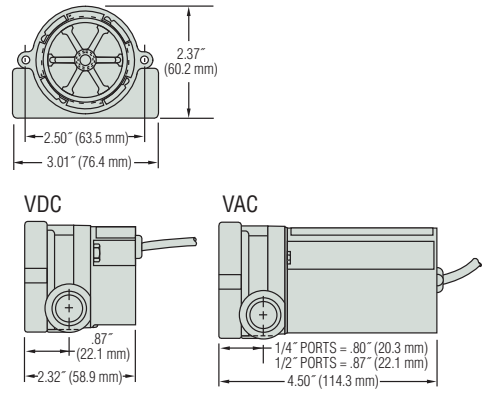
Note:
1. Optional pulsed output available with RFS. Consult factory.

Dimensions

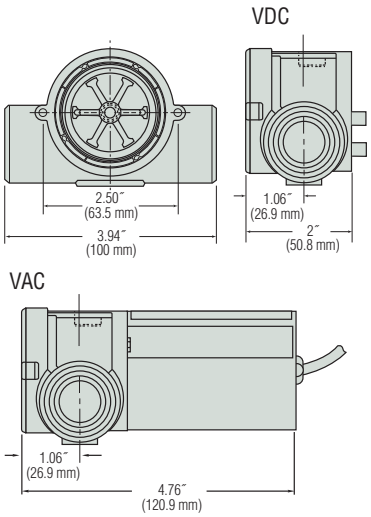
Polypropylene Bodies



Brass and Stainless Steel Bodies - .25″ and .50″ Port



Brass and Stainless Steel Bodies - .75″ and 1.00″ Port



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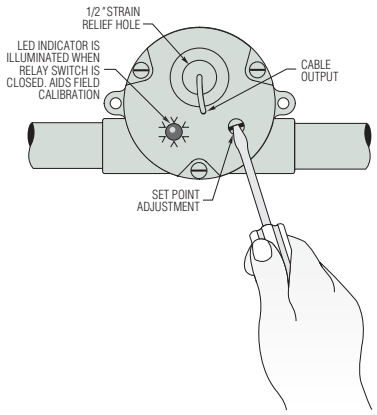
Switch Set Point Calibration With LED Signal (RFS Type)

With the unit installed in the line and power supplied, complete the following steps to calibrate switch actuation point with proper flow rate. A small flat-blade screwdriver is the only tool required.

1. Adjust liquid flow in the line to the rate at which switch actuation is desired.
2. Insert screwdriver into opening on backside of housing and fit blade into the potentiometer adjustment screw inside.
3. If LED is not illuminated, slowly turn screwdriver counterclockwise and stop as soon as LED illuminates.
4. If LED is illuminated, turn screwdriver clockwise until LED light goes out. Then, slowly turn screwdriver counterclockwise and stop as soon as LED illuminates.



How To Order

Specify Part Number based on desired body material, port size and input power rating.

Body Material	Port Size NPT	Flow Ranges – GPM		Input Power	Part Number
		Low Range*	Standard Range		
Polypropylene	.25″	0.1 to 1.0	0.5 to 5.0	24 VDC	**155425** ⚡
				115 VAC	**155876** ⚡
	.50″	1.5 to 12.0	4.0 to 20.0	24 VDC	**155485** ⚡
				115 VAC	**155886** ⚡
Brass	.25″	0.1 to 1.0	0.5 to 5.0	24 VDC	**156265** ⚡
				115 VAC	**156266** ⚡
	.50″	1.5 to 12.0	4.0 to 20.0	24 VDC	**156268** ⚡
				115 VAC	**156269** ⚡
	.75″	–	5.0 to 30.0	24 VDC	**180395** ⚡
				115 VAC	**180396** ⚡
	1.00″	–	8.0 to 60.0	24 VDC	**181688**
				115 VAC	**181689** ⚡
Stainless Steel	9/16-18**	0.1 to 1.0	0.5 to 5.0	24 VDC	**165073** ⚡
				115 VAC	**165074**
	.50″	1.5 to 12.0	4.0 to 20.0	24 VDC	**165077** ⚡
				115 VAC	**165078**
	.75″	–	5.0 to 30.0	24 VDC	**181691**
				115 VAC	**181692**
	1.00″	–	8.0 to 60.0	24 VDC	**181693**
				115 VAC	**181694**

* With use of Low Flow Adapter supplied. See Page F-8 for more information.
** Straight thread with O-ring seal.

⚡ – Stock Items.

Special Requirements:

GEMS caters to OEM needs with special configurations for potable water and enhanced chemical capabilities. Consult factory for further details.

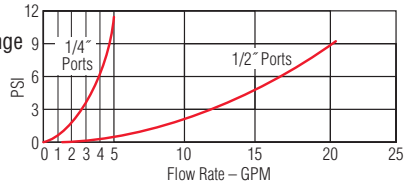
For higher pressure/temperature ratings, stainless face plates are available. Consult factory.

High Resolution Black Rotor

PPS composite. Each of the six rotor arms is magnetized. A PTFE loaded bushing ensures long life.

Pressure Drop-Typical

Standard Flow Range Units



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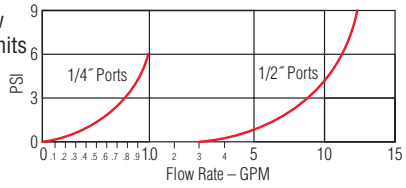

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