

RECIPROCATING PRODUCTS

HHE-VL

Reciprocating Process Compressor

Our first HHE-class compressor was installed more than 50 years ago. Continuous advancements in technology have allowed us to enhance the HHE's reputation as a highly reliable, heavy-duty process compressor. With more than 3,000 units serving in applications around the world, the HHE process compressor has proven to be an outstanding choice for a variety of applications.

Rugged Performer

Designed to API-618 specifications, the HHE-VL is available in standard stroke sizes from 12 to 16 inches (305 to 406 mm) with up to 10 throws.

For long-lasting reliability, the HHE-VL frame is engineered to the highest standards. The fine-grain, cast iron frame provides maximum stability through the use of internally ribbed walls and integral cross-member bearing saddle supports located between each crankthrow. The frame's rigid design is further enhanced with precision spacer blocks and tie rods at

each bearing point. This greatly reduces distortion caused by gas and inertia forces. To ensure precise bearing alignment, the bearing saddles are bored in a single set-up.

Optimized Design, Precision-Built

Every HHE-VL is built with optimized crank angles and a minimum number of crank throws, resulting in minimal unbalanced forces and moments on the foundation. Available with up to 10 throws, the design flexibility does not limit the HHE to an even number of crank throws. The result of this variable crank angle design is a compressor that requires minimum foundation size and expense, reduced drive-train torsional stresses, and reduced motor current pulsation and power costs. The crankshaft is forged from high tensile strength alloy steel that is fully stress-relieved and heat-treated. All journals and crankpins are precision-ground and polished to exacting tolerances.

Rugged, precision-machined tri-metal main and crankpin bearings are generously sized for long-lasting

service. Bearings are provided on both sides of each crankthrow and doubled on the drive end. All bearings are forced-lubricated per API-618 specifications. Connecting rods are die-forged steel with rifle-drilled passages for positive lubrication of the crosshead pin and bearings.

The flanged crosshead is designed for error-free assembly, ensuring maximum reliability through the hydraulic pre-stressing of the critical piston-to-crosshead bolting. Hydraulic tensioning reduces labor and maintenance downtime while increasing safety and reliability. The crosshead flange is firmly secured to the piston rod by a hydraulically tensioned nut and the flange is then attached to the crosshead using six hydraulically tensioned studs. The design employs an adjusting ring on the nose of the crosshead to facilitate adjustment of piston rod runout without having to re-shim the crosshead shoes. A spacer provides simple, one-time adjustment of piston-to-cylinder end clearance. The hydraulics are located in the tensioning tool instead of the piston nut where an

O-ring failure might otherwise necessitate torching through the rod to disassemble the joint. An air-motor driven hydraulic pump, tensioning devices, and piston rod alignment tools are provided.

All frame and distance piece inspection and service openings are extra large to permit easy access. Bolting for frame-to-frame extension, frame extension-to-distance piece, and distance piece-to-cylinder is external, making tensioning easy and accurate.

Outstanding Cylinder Design And Selection

Each cylinder is designed with the capability of loading the frames maximum allowable continuous rod load. All cylinder bolting, piston nut, and valve differential pressures meet this design criteria. This will permit future flexibility if process conditions change or the compressor is reapplied for another application.

With experience in virtually every type of service, our cylinders provide outstanding service and reliability. Our engineering expertise will ensure that each cylinder built for your application will provide maximum performance and reliability with minimum maintenance cost. Cylinder materials include nodular iron, cast steel, fabricated carbon or stainless steel, and forged steel. Most cylinders are available for either lubricated or non-lubricated service.

Dimensions

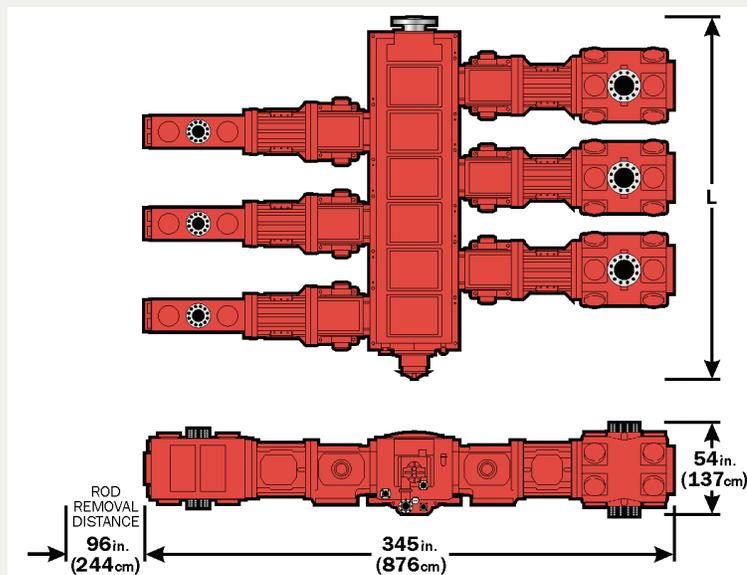
Dimensions provided are typical, basis API Type B distance pieces. For API Types C & D distance pieces, add 34 inches (86 cm) to the width dimension and 17 inches (43 cm) to the rod removal distance.

Specifications

Maximum HP	22,500 (16,778 kW)
Standard Strokes	12 to 16 inch (305 to 406 mm)
Number of Throws	Up to 10
Cylinder Bore Range	7 to 44.5 inch (178 to 1,130 mm) max bore
Standard Double-Acting	

HHE-VL Typical Length (L) Dimension

Throws	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10
Inches	86	117	148	179	210	241	272	303	334	365
Centimeters	218	297	376	455	533	612	691	770	848	927



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