# BACKFLOW

INSTALLATION, OPERATION & MAINTENANCE MANUAL

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Model DC4A / DCLF4A

1/2" - 2"
Double Check Valve (DC)
Backflow Preventer



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# **DOUBLE CHECK VALVE BACKFLOW PREVENTER 1/2" – 2"**

#### I. DESCRIPTION AND OPERATION

The Double Check Valve (DC) device consists of two independently-acting, spring-loaded check valves. Two resilient seated shutoff valves and four test cocks complete the assembly. Each check is designed to maintain a minimum of 1 psi across the valve during normal operation. If at any time the pressure downstream of the device increases above the supply pressure, both check valves will close to prevent any backflow from occurring. The flowing and no flow conditions are illustrated in figures 1 and 2. To initiate flow, supply pressure must be sufficient to open both checks and overcome friction, normally a minimum of 3 to 5 psi above the downstream pressure.

#### **II. INSTALLATION**

- A. The DC must be installed in an accessible location to facilitate periodic field testing and maintenance.
- B. Flush all upstream piping thoroughly to remove foreign matter prior to installing the device.
- C. The device should be installed either horizontally or vertical up for ease of maintenance and testing. A clearance between the lower most portion of the device and flood grade or floor should be provided for ease of maintenance.
- D. When shut-off valves are provided separately, they should be installed with a test cock on the upstream side of the inlet shut-off valve.
- E. After installing the assembly and with downstream or #2 shut-off valve closed, pressurize the device and bleed ALL air through test cock #4. Then open #2 shut-off valve.



Figure 1 (FLOWING CONDITION)

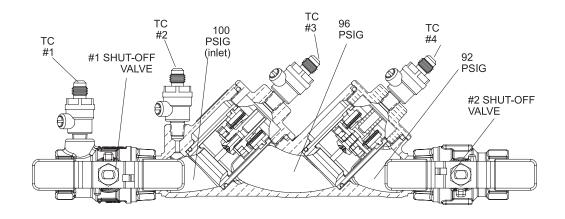


Figure 2
(NO FLOW CONDITION)

100
PSIG
(inlet)

98
PSIG
PSIG

**NOTE:** Pressures shown are for illustrative purposes only and are not necessarily indicative of any actual valve.

#### **III. TROUBLE SHOOTING**

SYMPTOM	CAUSE	CORRECTIVE ACTION
1. Check valve fails to hold 1 psid.	a. Shut-off valve not closed completely.	a. Close #2 shut-off valve or inspect for possible through leakage.
	<ul><li>b. Check valve fouled with debris.</li><li>c. Check poppet stem not moving freely in guide.</li></ul>	<ul><li>b. Inspect and clean seat disc and seat.</li><li>c. Inspect for debris or deposit on poppet stem or guide.</li></ul>

#### IV. MAINTENANCE INSTRUCTIONS 1/2" - 2"

#### A. Disassembly - Check Valves

- 1. Close #2 shut-off valve, then close #1 shut-off valve.
- 2. Bleed pressure from the assembly by opening #2, #3, and #4 test cocks.
- 3. Unscrew cap using hex head provided.
- 4. Push down and turn the spring retainer 90 degrees to remove. Remove the spring. Remove the poppet from the check seat.
- 5. Normally, the check seat need not be removed. If removal is required, rock it back and forth while pulling outward.

#### B. Disassembly - Check Valve Poppet

CAUTION: Do not use pliers or other tools, which may damage or scratch the plastic stem.

- 1. Holding the poppet assembly in one hand, remove screw and retaining washer.
- 2. Remove the seat disc.
- 3. All parts should be carefully inspected for any damage or excessive wear and thoroughly rinsed in clean water prior to reassembly. Replace worn parts as necessary.

#### C. Assembly - Check Valve Poppet

1. Install new disc in poppet and secure with washer and screw.

#### D. Assembly - Check Valve

- 1. If the check seat was removed, install the new o-ring and lubricate with a thin coat of Apollo supplied lubricant, DOW 111 or equal. Line up the seat with the bore and push it firmly into place.
- 2. Place and center the poppet assembly in the check seat.
- 3. Install the spring onto the poppet.
- 4. Install the spring retainer onto the spring by pushing down into the grooves of the check seat and turning 90 degrees. Ensure spring retainer pops up about .1" and locks into the lugs. CAUTION: Ensure the spring retainer orientation matches that in the parts list drawing or the device's flow will be significantly restricted.
- 5. Apply a thin coat of Apollo supplied lubricant, DOW 111 or equal on cap o-ring.
- 6. Install cap.



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#### **V. TESTING PROCEDURES**

This test is performed with the Differential Pressure Gauge Test Kit. The Differential Pressure Gauge simply measures the pressure drop across the check valve. This pressure drop is normally the same as the strength of the check valve spring. In using the Differential Pressure Gauge to test the Double Check assembly, a minimum of 1.0 psid is required for each check valve in order for that check valve to pass the test. Such a small reading is often difficult to read on most test kits. This is one of the drawbacks of this test. However, since the first shut-off valve is left in the open position for this test, it is possible to use this test when the first shut-off valve is leaking badly.

<u>NOTE:</u> This is a three-valve test kit procedure and may or may not be approved in all jurisdictions. Consult your local water purveyor for acceptable test procedures.

#### **Test Setup**

- 1. Notify customer that the water service will be off. Identify the make, model, and serial number on the backflow device. Inspect that this is an approved assembly two check valves, two shut-off valves and four test cocks. Observe the area to make sure there are no leaks.
- 2. Flush test cocks (1, 2, 3 & 4), then close all test cocks.
- 3. Install appropriate adapters (if necessary).
- 4. Close shut-off valve #2.

TEST NO. 1

PURPOSE: To test check valve #1

- 1. Close all valves on test kit.
- 2. Connect the high side hose to test cock #2 and the low side hose to test cock #3. Open test cock #2 and test cock #3.
- 3. Open vent valve "C" and high "A" on the test kit to bleed air from the high side of the kit. Close high "A" valve and then open low "B" valve to bleed the low side. Close low "B" valve.
- 4. Record the gauge reading. It must be a minimum of 1.0 psid in order to pass. Close test cock #2 and test cock #3.

**TEST NO. 2** 

**PURPOSE:** To test check valve #2

- 1. Move the high side hose to test cock #3 and the low side hose to test cock #4. Open test cock #3 and test cock #4.
- 2. Open vent "C" valve. Then open high "A" and bleed air from the high side of the kit. Close high "A" valve, and then open low "B" valve and bleed the low side of the kit. Close low "B" valve.
- 3. Record the gauge reading. It must be a minimum of 1.0 psid in order to pass. Close test cock #3 and test cock #4. Remove hoses and test kit. Slowly open shut-off valve #2 in order to restore water flow to the facility, placing the DC back into service.

#### **TEST NO. 3**

#### PURPOSE: To test leaking #2 shut-off valve

As previously mentioned, the above test is not accurate when the second shut-off valve is leaking. The following test will expose a leaking shut-off valve.

- 1. Both shut-off valves should be open. Make sure all valves on test kit are closed. Connect the high "A" hose to test cock #2 and the low "B" hose to test cock #3. Open test cock #2 and test cock #3.
- 2. Open the high "A" valve and vent "C" valve to bleed air from high side of gauge. Open low "B" valve to bleed air from low side of gauge. Close valves "A", "B" and "C" on test kit.
- 3. Connect the vent hose to test cock #4. Open test cock #4.
- 4. Close shut-off valve #2. The differential gauge needle should read at least 1.0 psid in order to pass.
- 5. Open the high "A" valve and vent "C" valve. This will put back pressure on check valve #2.
- 6. Close test cock #2.

<u>NOTE:</u> If gauge is steady, then shut-off valve #2 is holding tight. However, if gauge drops to zero psid, then shut-off valve #2 is leaking.

NOTE: If the gauge rises then the #2 shut-off valve is still leaking, but is under backpressure from the facility.

#### 3-Valve Test Kit

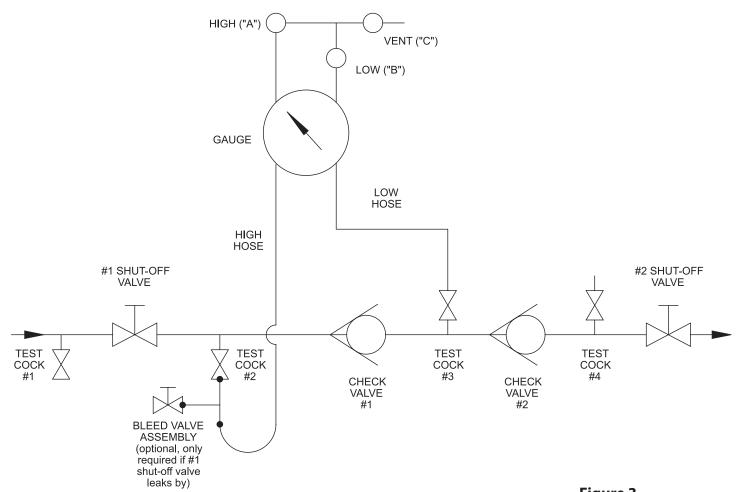
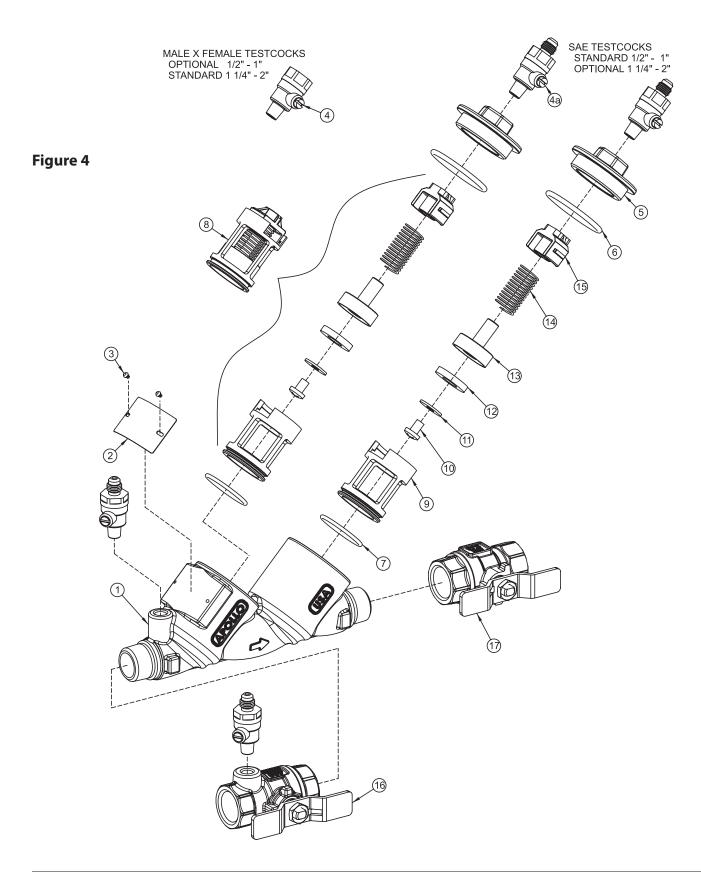


Figure 3



## **PARTS LIST 1/2" - 2"**



#### DC4A and DCLF4A Parts List

14 !!	Describation	Std. or		Part Number						
Item#	Description	LF	Qty.	1/2"	3/4"	1″	1-1/4"	1-1/2"	2"	
1	Body	All	1			Consult	Factory			
2	Label Plate	All	1			Consult	Factory			
3	Label Plate Tacks	All	2			I-261	4-00			
4	Test Cock M x F (81 metal)	Std		7	'8-290-01 (Optiona	l)	73	8-291-01 (Standar	d)	
4	Test Cock M x F (Lead Free)	LF		78LF-290-01 (Optional)			78LF-291-01 (Standard)			
4a	Test Cock SAE (81 metal)	Std	4	7	78-292-01 (Standard)			78-293-01 (Optional)		
4d	Test Cock SAE (Lead Free)	LF		78LF-292-01 (Standard)			78	BLF-293-01 (Option	al)	
_	Cap (81 metal)	Std	,	F-3846-05	F-3822-05	F-3848-05	F-385	50-05	F-3854-05	
)	Cap (Lead Free)	LF	2	F-3847-05	F-3823-05	F-3849-05	F-385	51-05	F-3855-05	
6	Cap O-Ring	All	2	D-4881-00	D-4812-00	D-4884-00	D-488	85-00	D-4888-00	
7	Check Module O-Ring	All	2	D-4880-00	D-4744-00	D-4882-00	D-488	84-00	D-4885-00	
8	Check S-Assy (see below)	All	2	W-9075-05	W-9003-05	W-9074-05	W-91	59-05	W-9204-05	

Individual parts are only available for bulk sales. Please refer to the appropriate repair kits on pages 11.

#### **Check Module Sub-Assembly Parts List**

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Itano #	Description	Std. or	04	Part Number						
Item#	Description	LF	Qty.	1/2"	3/4"	1″	1-1/4"	1-1/2"	2″	
9	Check Seat	All	1	L-7815-00	L-7727-00	L-7813-00	L-7979-00		L-7983-00	
10	Screw	All	1	B-3279-00			B-1750-00			
11	Disc Retaining Washer	All	1	E-2372-00	E-2841-00	E-2933-00	E-2860-00		E-2876-00	
12	Seat Disc	All	1	D-4771-00	D-4743-00	D-4770-00	D-4853-00		D-4873-00	
13	Poppet	All	1	K-4491-00	K-4471-00	K-4483-00	K-45	11-00	K-4512-00	
14	Spring	All	1	A-2505-00	A-2503-00	A-2510-00	A-25	11-00	A-2512-00	
15	Spring Retainer	All	1	L-7814-00	L-7726-00	L-7812-00	L-798	30-00	L-7984-00	

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#### **Inlet and Outlet Shut-Off Valves**

14 11	D	Std. or	0.1	Part Number						
Item #	Description	LF	Qty.	1/2"	3/4"	1″	1-1/4"	1-1/2"	2"	
	T2 Inlet NPT Ball Valve w/"T"	81 Mtl		77B-103-85	77B-104-83	77B-105-83	Not Available			
	Handle (Standard)	LF		77BLF-103-85	77BLF-104-83	77BLF-105-83		NOL AVAIIADIE		
	T4 Inlet Union Ball Valve w/ "T"	81 Mtl		77B-303-85	77B-304-83	77B-305-83		Not Available		
	Handle (Option)	LF		77BLF-303-85	77BLF-304-83	77BLF-305-83		NOT AVAIIABLE		
	T2 Inlet NPT Ball Valve w/	81 Mtl			Not Available		77B-106-84	77B-107-84	77B-108-84	
	Lever Handle (Standard)	LF			NOT Available		77BLF-106-84	77BLF-107-84	77BLF-108-84	
	T4 Inlet Union Ball Valve with	81 Mtl			Not Available		77B-306-84	77B-307-84	77B-308-84	
16	Lever Handle (Option)	LF	1		NOT Available		77BLF-306-84	77BLF-307-84	77BLF-308-84	
10	T2 Inlet NPT Ball Valve with	81 Mtl	_ '		77B-104-91	77B-105-91		Not Available		
	Locking "T" Handle (Option)	LF		Not Available	77BLF-104-91	77BLF-105-91	NOT AVAIIADIE			
	T4 Inlet Union Ball Valve with	81 Mtl		Not Available	77B-304-91	77B-305-91	Not Available			
	Locking "T" Handle (Option)	LF			77BLF-304-91 77BLF-305-91			INOL AVAIIADIE		
	T2 Inlet NPT Ball Valve with	81 Mtl		Not Available		77B-106-86	77B-107-86	77B-108-86		
	Locking Lever Handle (Option)	LF			Hoeritaliable		77BLF-106-86	77BLF-107-86	77BLF-108-86	
	T4 Inlet Ball Union Valve with Locking Lever Handle (Option)	81 Mtl		Not Available			77B-306-86	77B-307-86	77B-308-86	
		LF					77BLF-306-86	77BLF-307-86	77BLF-308-86	
	T2 Outlet NPT Ball Valve with "T"	81 Mtl		77C-103-A4	77C-104-83	77C-105-83				
	Handle (Standard)	LF		77CLF-103-85	77CLF-104-83	77CLF-105-83	Not Available			
	T4 Outlet Union Ball Valve with	ion Ball Valve with 81 Mtl		77C-303-85	77C-304-83	77C-305-83	Not Available			
	"T" Handle (Option)	LF		77CLF-303-85	77CLF-303-85 77CLF-304-83 7		NUL AVAIIADIE			
	T2 Outlet NPT Ball Valve with	81 Mtl			Not Available			77C-107-84	77C-108-84	
	Lever Handle (Standard)	LF			NOT AVAIIABLE		77CLF-106-84	77CLF-107-84	77CLF-108-84	
	T4 Outlet Union Ball Valve with	81 Mtl			Not Available		77C-306-84	77C-307-84	77C-308-84	
17	Lever Handle (Option)	LF	1	NOT AVAIIABLE			77CLF-306-84	77CLF-307-84	77CLF-308-84	
17	T2 Outlet NPT Ball Valve with	81 Mtl	'		77C-104-91	77C-105-91		Not Available		
	Locking "T" Handle (Option)	LF		Not Available	77CLF-104-91	77CLF-105-91	IVOL AVAIIADIE			
	T4 Outlet Union Ball Valve with Locking "T" Handle (Option)	81 Mtl		Not Available	77C-304-91	77C-305-91	Not Available			
		LF			77CLF-304-91	77CLF-305-91				
	T2 Outlet NPT Ball Valve with	81 Mtl	]		Not Available		77C-106-86	77C-107-86	77C-108-86	
	Locking Lever Handle (Option)	LF	]		HOUNTAINADIC		77CLF-106-86	77CLF-107-86	77CLF-108-86	
	T4 Outlet Union Ball Valve with	81 Mtl			Not Available		77C-306-86	77C-307-86	77C-308-86	
	Locking Lever Handle (Option)	LF			NOT AVAILABLE		77CLF-306-86	77CLF-307-86	77CLF-308-86	

#### Replacement Handles for Ball Valve Shut-Off Valves (T2 & T4 options)

"T" Handle		W-9732-00	W-9864-00	W-9734-00
Lever Handle	All		Not Available	W-9366-00
Locking "T"	AII –	Not Available	W-2394-00	Not Available
Locking Lever			Not Available	W-9686-00

Stainless steel handles are standard on all Apollo® backflow devices.

## REPAIR KITS DC4A & DCLF4A 1/2" - 2"

Check Modul	Check Module Rubber Kit (One kit repairs one check) (Universal, for standard & lead free valves)		Size					
(Unive			1/2"	3/4"	1″	1-1/4" – 1-1/2"	2"	
	Repair Kit Model Number		RK4A12CMR	RK4A34CMR	RK4A1CMR	RK4A112CMR	RK4A2CMR	
ltem#	Ordering Number		4A-003-01	4A-004-01	4A-005-01	4A-007-01	4A-008-01	
not Shown	not Shown O-Ring Lubricant				I-9016-00			
11	Check Module Seat Disc	1	D-4771-00	D-4743-00	D-4770-00	D-4853-00	D-4873-00	
7	Check Module O-Ring	1	D-4880-00	D-4744-00	D-4882-00	D-4884-00	D-4885-00	
6	Cap O-Ring	1	D-4881-00	D-4812-00	D-4884-00	D-4885-00	D-4888-00	

DC Checks Co	DC Checks Complete Kit (One kit repairs one check) (Universal, for standard & lead free valves)		Size					
(Unive			1/2"	3/4"	1″	1-1/4" – 1-1/2"	2"	
	Repair Kit Model Number		RK4A12CMC	RK4A34CMC	RK4A1CMC	RK4A112CMC	RK4A2CMC	
Item#	Ordering Number		4A-003-02	4A-004-02	4A-005-02	4A-007-02	4A-008-02	
not Shown	0-Ring Lubricant		I-9016-00					
8	Check Module S-Assy	1	W-9075-05	W-9003-05	W-9074-05	W-9159-05	W-9204-05	
7	Check Module O-Ring	1	D-4880-00	D-4744-00	D-4882-00	D-4884-00	D-4885-00	
6	Cap O-Ring (for DC/RP)	1	D-4881-00	D-4812-00	D-4884-00	D-4885-00	D-4888-00	
extra part(s)	Bonnet O-Ring (for PVB)	1	D-4812-00	D-4883-00	D-4887-00	D-4858-00		

DC Complete Internals Kit(One kit repairs ONE DC valve)		ОТҮ	Size					
(Unive	(Universal, for standard & lead free valves)		1/2"	3/4"	1″	1-1/4" – 1-1/2"	2"	
	Repair Kit Model Number		RK4A12TDC	RK4A34TDC	RK4A1TDC	RK4A112TDC	RK4A2TDC	
ltem#	Ordering Number		4A-003-08	4A-004-08	4A-005-08	4A-007-08	4A-008-08	
not Shown	0-Ring Lubricant		I-9016-00					
8	Check Module S-Assy	2	W-9075-05	W-9003-05	W-9074-05	W-9159-05	W-9204-05	
7	Check Module O-Ring	2	D-4880-00	D-4744-00	D-4882-00	D-4884-00	D-4885-00	
6	Cap O-Ring	2	D-4881-00	D-4812-00	D-4884-00	D-4885-00	D-4888-00	



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