



# **MEGR-199 PILOT OPERATED PRESSURE REGULATOR**

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# Applications

The MEGR-199 gas regulators provide a broad range of controlled pressure ranges and capacities in a wide variety of distribution, industrial, and commercial applications.

# Introduction

The MEGR-199 uses an integrated pilot design to allow for better control of downstream pressure. A variety of pilot regulators can be installed on the MEGR-199. The type of pilot mainly depends on the desired output range.

The inlet pressure pilot is factory-piped, so no supply line is required for standard installations. The MEGR-199 also allows for easy inspection of the main seat and orifice due to its union nut connections.

There is not atmospheric bleed associated with the MEGR-199, all excess pressure is vented downstream. It is recommended that an overpressure protection system be installed.

## **Materials of Construction**

Body	Cast Ductile Iron, WCB Steel
Upper Casing	Cast Ductile Iron
Lower Casing	Cast Ductile Iron
Main Spring Case	Cast Ductile Iron
Diaphragm Plate	Zinc-plated Steel
Main Diaphragm	Nitrile
O-Rings	Nitrile
Springs	Zinc-plated Steel
External Fittings Tubing Pilot Body/Spring Case Pilot Trim Pilot Internals	Brass Copper Cast Ductile Iron Brass / Nitrile Zinc-plated Steel, Zinc, Stainless Steel,
Filter	Brass
Filter Element	Cellulose

## **How It Works**

Pressure is introduced through the IN port of the unit. From there it splits into two paths, the pressure that acts against the main seat of the regulator and the inlet pressure for the pilot. The inlet pressure for the pilot flows through a filter to remove any particulates that could clog or damage the pilot internals.

The pilot valve reduces the inlet pressure and controls the loading pressure on the top of the main diaphragm. The loading pressure overcomes the main spring force to actuate the diaphragm and opens the main valve through a lever connection. Outlet pressure registers under the main diaphragm through an external control line. The double diaphragm of the pilot senses the outlet pressure under the main diaphragm and controls the loading pressure. When the output pressure is lower than the set point, the force exerted by the pilot range spring acts against the output pressure and opens the pilot valve as necessary. When the demand is met, the outlet pressure overcomes the range spring, and closes the pilot orifice. The pilot then relieves the loading pressure through the bleed valve. This reduces the loading pressure until the unit reaches equilibrium.

# **Monitoring Systems**

A monitor unit can serve as overpressure protection in the case of a wide-open failure of the main regulator. A MEGR-199M that is configured as a monitor regulator has a modified lower casing that includes an O-ring seal around the valve carrier (Figure 5).

The system should be set up in as seen in Figure 2, with the O-ring seal unit upstream. The control line of the upstream regulator must be installed downstream of the second regulator. During normal operation, the monitor regulator remains wide open. If the main regulator fails open, the monitor regulator will take over at a slightly higher pressure.

When adjusting the set point of a wide-open monitor, first increase the set point of both regulators to a point above the desired monitor setting by turning the adjustment screws clockwise. Lower the set point of the monitor regulator to the desired pressure, and then adjust the main regulator. Be sure that the difference between the monitor and the main regulator set points is at least equal to the minimum differential pressure for full stroke of the main spring.

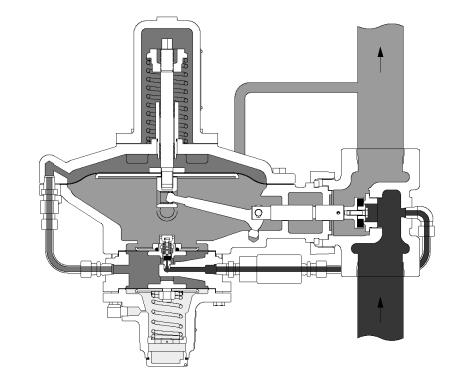


Figure 1. MEGR-199 Pressure Diagram

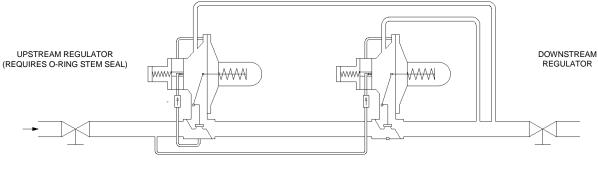


FIGURE 2A. MONITOR REGULATOR MUST BE PLACED UPSTREAM OR DOWNSTREAM. REQUIRES ADDITIONAL PIPING

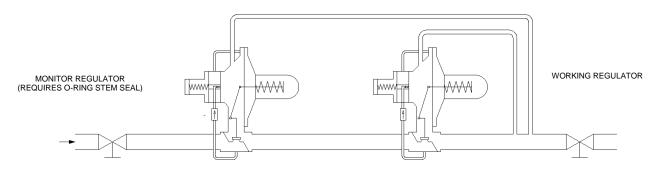


FIGURE 2B. MONITOR REGULATOR MUST BE PLACED UPSTREAM. NO ADDITIONAL PIPING REQUIRED.

#### Figure 2. MEGR-199M Wide-Open Monitor Installations

Inlet PressureLoading PressureOutlet Pressure

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Atmospheric Pressure

## Installation

Qualified personnel should perform installation, operation, and maintenance. The regulator may be mounted in any position that the tubing allows, provided that the flow through the body is in the direction from inlet to outlet (as marked by the arrow on the body). It is important that the pilot bonnet vent remains unobstructed at all times. Be sure to position the regulator to prevent any contamination, rain, or debris from entering the bonnet vent. If it is necessary to vent the pilot bonnet remotely, remove the provided vent and replace the ¼" tubing or pipe. Prior to installation, inspect the regulator and the piping lines for any debris or contamination. Apply pipe compound to the male pipe threads prior to installation. After installation, periodically inspect the regulator for damage, especially after any overpressure condition.

The MEGR-199 requires a downstream control line to accurately control pressure. This is installed in one of the two ½" ports on the lower casing. The port closer to the upstream side of the regulator will come plugged from the factory. This control line should be installed approximately 2 to 3 feet (.61 to .91 meters) downstream from the regulator. If this distance is difficult to achieve, it is better to install the control line closer to the regulator, rather than farther away. Do not install the tap near any fittings that may cause turbulence in the control line (ex: elbows, valves, etc.).

It is not necessary to install an upstream pilot supply line because of the factory installed pilot supply tubing. If an upstream pilot supply line is desired, the ¼" NPT hole in the valve body must be plugged.

A venting valve should be installed between the MEGR-199 and the upstream shutoff valve to relieve pressure during shutdown and/or disassembly.

The MEGR-199 is a non-relieving unit, so it is strongly recommended that additional overpressure protection be installed. This can be done by either a relief valve, or by a monitoring system. The regulator should be inspected periodically and immediately after any over pressure condition.

## Start-Up and Adjustment

When starting up the regulator, slowly open the upstream shutoff valve. If an upstream pilot supply line was installed, slowly open it. The output pressure should rise to the outlet pressure setting. Next, slowly open the downstream shutoff valve. Check all piping and connections for leaks before making any final pressure adjustments. The nameplate will provide the range of allowable pressure settings. For pressure ranges outside of the given range, either change the spring in the current pilot, or replace the entire pilot. Be sure to correct the nameplate accordingly. For information on changing the pilot see the Maintenance section.

When adjusting the set pressure of the MEGR-199, be sure to use an additional pressure-measuring device to monitor the downstream pressure. Remove the closing cap, if necessary, and turn the adjustment screw as needed. Clockwise rotation of the pilot adjustment screw will increase the set pressure, and counter-clockwise rotation will decrease it. After reaching the desired pressure, replace the closing cap, or tighten the jam nut to prevent unit tampering.

## Maintenance

Severity of conditions and the requirement of both state and federal laws determine the frequency to which the regulators need to be inspected. Debris in the process line, exterior damage, and normal wear could require the replacement of the diaphragms or other various parts. The procedures below will provide assistance when attempting to replace these parts.

### !WARNING!

When attempting any inspection or disassembly, relieve all pressure from the valve and its adjacent piping. Failure to do so may result in personal injury or equipment damage as a result of an explosion or sudden pressure release.

All items numbers called out in the instructions below can be found in Figures 2 through 7.

All actuator components can be accessed without removing the main body from the line. Disconnect the pilot loading tubing from the regulator, and loosen the union nut to remove the actuator from the body.

### Main Valve (Figure 2)

These procedures are for inspecting/replacing the main diaphragm and main trim. The procedures for inspecting the pilot valve are listed on the next page.

- 1. Remove the four cap screws (12) and lift off the spring case (1).
- Remove the main spring seat (2) and the main spring (3). Take care when removing the spring seat, as the main spring will still be compressed.
- Remove the 12 cap screws (15) and hex nuts (16), and lift off the upper casing (13).
- 4. Remove the diaphragm assembly (4, 7, 8, 9, 10, & 11) by tilting it so that the pusher post (9) disengages the lever (14).
- Separate the components of the diaphragm assembly by unscrewing the diaphragm rod (4) from the pusher post (9). Inspect the diaphragm (11) and the pusher post gasket (8). Replace if necessary.
- 6. If unit is a monitor unit with o-ring seal (Figure 7), the o-ring (65) can be inspected by removing the valve carrier (19). If the lower casing (30) has been disconnected from the body (27), the valve carrier can be inspected by removing the cotter pin (23) holding the main seat holder (24). The lever and valve carrier will then be able to be removed and inspected. If the unit is still connected to the body, one of the retaining rings (17) must be removed from the lever pin (18) to remove the lever and inspect the valve carrier.
- If the lower casing (30) was removed, replace the body gasket (22). Reinstall the main seat, if it was removed, onto the valve carrier using a new cotter pin. With the lever (14) and valve carrier reinstalled in the lower casing (30), assemble the lower casing and union nut (21) onto the body (27) and secure it.
- Loosely reassemble the diaphragm assembly, and catch the pusher post (9) onto the lever (14) as seen in Figure 2. Align the "U" of the diaphragm (11) with the "U" of the lower casing (30) and tighten the diaphragm rod (4).
- Install the upper casing (13) and secure it to the lower casing (30) by tightening the cap screws (15) and hex nuts (16).
- Place the main spring (3) onto the upper casing (13) and thread the main spring seat (2) onto the diaphragm rod (4) until it bottoms, then back out 1 revolution.

**CAUTION!** Be sure to use the main spring seat (2) only with spring (3).

 Install a new spring case gasket (6) and the main spring case (1). Install the four cap screws. Mark the nameplate if any functional changes have been made to the regulator.

**Note:** When replacing o-rings, apply a good quality o-ring lubricant to them to ensure a good seal, and to prevent the valve carrier from jamming.

## Pilot Valve (Figure 3 & 5)

- If necessary, remove the closing cap (33). Back off the adjustment screw (35) to relieve spring pressure from the unit. Remove the range spring (36) and adjustment screw seat (45), if necessary.
- 2. Loosen compression fittings (61 and 55) to prepare to remove the pilot. Remove cap screws (44).
- 3. Remove the pilot assembly from the lower casing (30).
- The internal pilot body arm can be used for leverage to remove the diaphragm nuts (16 and 49). Remove the diaphragm plates (37 and 41), and inspect the diaphragms (38 and 40) and the o-ring (50). Replace them if necessary.
- Remove the bleed valve assembly by loosening the bleed orifice (48). The bleed valve assembly will also include the bleed valve (52), spring (53), and pilot valve seat (54). These parts can be unthreaded by hand, inspect them and replace as necessary.
- 6. The pilot orifice (51) should now be accessible. Inspect it for nicks, digs, or clogs, and replace if necessary.
- 7. Reassemble the pilot in the reverse of the steps listed above. After tightening the diaphragm nuts (16 and 49), make sure that the yoke assembly (39) is straight as shown in Figures 2 and 3. The yoke assembly could bind and cause the valve to fail if this is not checked. When placing the pilot assembly back onto the lower casing, make sure that the diaphragms are not flat.

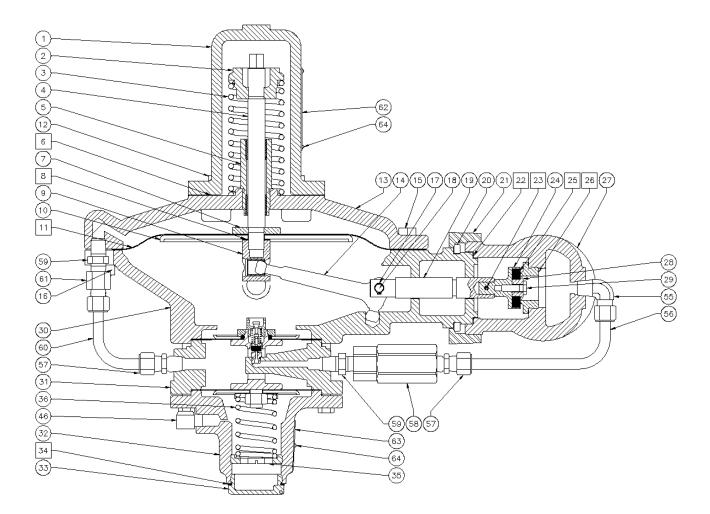
### MEGR-199 Main Seat (Figure 2 & 7)

- Loosen compression fittings (57 and 55) and remove the pilot loading tubing (56). Loosen the union nut (21) and remove the lower casing (30) from the main body (27).
- 2. Inspect the orifice (26) and replace if there is any visible damage.

- Inspect the disk/o-ring (25) by removing the cap screw (29) with the disk holder (24) still held in place by the cotter pin (23). The retainer (28) and disk/oring can now be removed. If the entire disk holder assembly is to be replaced, remove the cotter pin to release it. Replace with new cotter pin.
- 4. Reassemble the disk holder assembly. Install a new body gasket, and reassembly the lower casing onto the valve body. Tighten the union nut and reinstall the pilot loading tubing.

### Filter Assembly (Figure 6)

- 1. Remove the filter cap (F1) from the filter body (F7).
- 2. Remove the assembly screw (F2) along with the rest of the filter internals. Remove any debris found inside of the filter parts.
- 3. Replace the filter element (F3) and the filter gasket (F5). Reinstall the assembly screw, making sure to stack the parts as shown in Figure 6.



#### Figure 3. MEGR-199 Internals with pilot and Disk Seat

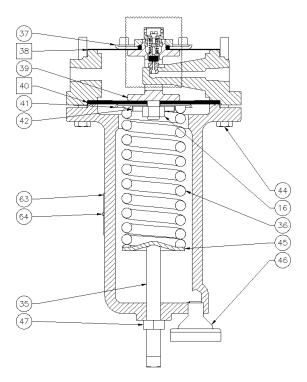
	Figure 3. MEGR-199 Intern	
MEGR-199 Main Actuator Parts List (Fig. 3)		
<u>ltem</u>	Description	
1	Main Spring Case	
2	Main Spring Seat,	
	Up to 250 PSI Max Differential	
	300 PSI Max Differential	
3	Main Spring	
	25 PSI Max Differential	
	50 PSI Max Differential	
	250 PSI Max Differential	
	300 PSI Max Differential	
4	Diaphragm Rod	
5	Diaphragm Rod Guide Assembly	
6	Spring Case Gasket	
7	Collar	
8	Pusher Post Gasket	
9	Pusher Post Assembly	
10	Diaphragm Plate	

11 Diaphragm, Nitrile	
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- 12 Cap Screw, 4 required
- 13 Upper Casing
- 14 Lever
- 15 Cap Screw, 12 required
- 16 Hex Nut, 13 required
- 17 Retaining Ring, 2 required
- 18 Lever Pin
- 19 Valve Carrier

20 21 22	Body Snap Ring, 2 required Union Nut Body Gasket
22	Cotter Pin
23	Main Seat Holder
24	Disk Type
	O-Ring Type, 7/8 Orifice
	O-Ring Type, 1-1/8 Orifice
25	Main Seat
25	Disk Seat, Nitrile
	7/8" O-Ring Seat, Nitrile
	1-1/8" O-Ring Seat, Nitrile
26	Main Orifice
	Disk Type Orifice
	7/8", Brass
	1-1/8", Brass
	O-ring Type Orifice
	7/8", Brass
	1-1/8", Brass
27	Main Valve Body
	2" NPT, Iron
	2" NPT, Steel
28	Retainer
	Disk Type Retainer
	7/8", Brass
	1-1/8", Brass
	O-ring Type Retainer
	7/8", Brass
	1-1/8", Brass

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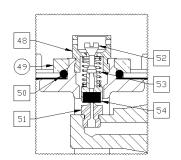


Figure 4. Pilot Assembly

#### MEGR-199 Main Actuator Parts List (Fig. 3)

- Item Description
- 29 Cap Screw
- 30 Lower Casing
- Standard
- Monitor
- 43 Pipe Plug (Not Shown)
- 62 Main Nameplate
- 64 Drive Screw
- 65 Monitor O-ring

#### Pilot Parts List (Figs. 3, 4, & 5)

- Item Description
- 31 Pilot Body
- 32 Pilot Spring Case
- Spring Case
- 33 Closing Cap
- 34 Closing Cap Gasket
- 35 Adjusting Screw
- Adjusting Screw 36 Control Spring
  - 3" 12" W.C., Silver
    - .25 2 PSI, Red
    - 1 5 PSI, Yellow
    - 2 10 PSI, Blue
    - 5 15 PSI, Brown
    - 10 20 PSI, Green
  - 10 65 PSI, Green Stripe7 Upper Pilot Diaphragm Plate
- 37 Upper Pilot Diaphragm Pl Diaphragm Plate
- 38 Upper Pilot Diaphragm
- 39 Pilot Yoke Assembly

#### Figure 5. Pilot Seat & Relief Assembly

40 Lower Pilot Diaphragm Diaphragm Diaphragm 41 Upper Pilot Diaphragm Plate **Diaphragm Plate** Spring Seat 42 44 Cap Screw, 8 required Adjustment Screw Seat 45 46 Vent Assembly Hex Nut 47 48 **Bleed Orifice** 49 **Diaphragm Nut** Diaphragm O-ring 50 51 Pilot Orifice Standard 25 PSI Max Pressure 52 Bleed Valve 53 **Bleed Valve Spring** 250 Max Inlet Pressure, Plain +250 Inlet Pressure, Blue 25 Max Inlet, Red 54 Seat Assembly 63 **Pilot Nameplate** 64 Drive Screw, 2 required

### Pilot Connecting Parts List (Fig. 3)

ltem	Description
item	Description

- 55 Compression Fitting
- 56 Pilot Supply Tubing, Horizontal
- Pilot Supply Tubing, Vertical
- 57 Compression Fitting
- 58 Filter Assembly59 Pipe Nipple
- 59 Pipe Nipple60 Loading Tubing
- 61 Compression Fitting

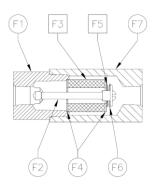
### Filter Parts List (Fig. 6)

Item	Descri	ption

- F1 Filter Cap
- F2 Assembly Screw
- F3 Filter Element
- F4 Filter Washer
- F5 Gasket
- F6 Spring Washer
- F7 Filter Body

### Assembly Torque Values

<u>ltem</u>	Torque Value
4	200 in-lbs
12	380 in-lbs
15	750 in-lbs
26	480 in-lbs
44	150 in-lbs
48	240 in-lbs
51	100 in-lbs



### Figure 6. Brass Filter Assembly

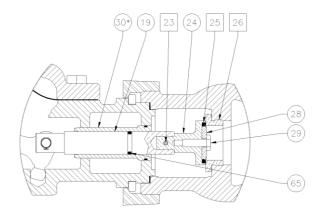


Figure 7. Monitor Housing and O-ring Seat