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Pneumatic Comparison Test Pump

Users Manual

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Introduction

This manual applies to Model P5510.

The Comparison Test Pump is used for checking pressure-measuring instruments against Master Test Gauges.

Note

The terms "Master Test Gauge" and "Gauge" in this document refer to any pressure-measuring instrument such as Transfer Standards, Digital Calibrators and Transducers.

This system is only as accurate as the Master Test Gauge used. The Master Test Gauge must be regularly calibrated on a Primary Reference Standard (such as a Deadweight Tester) to ensure accuracy is maintained.

The comparison test pump should be mounted securely to a stable workbench or similar surface. Four mounting holes are provided in the pump stand for this purpose.

Operating Ranges

Model P5510 combines the function of both pressure and vacuum pump with a selector valve that reverses the operating mode of the handpump.

The table below details the mode and maximum working pressure of these instruments.

Table 1. Mode and Maximum Working Pressure

Model	Mode	Max. Working Pressure
P5510	Pressure & Vacuum	300 psi / 20 bar & 90% Vacuum

Safety Information

Warning

Read before Pneumatic Comparison Test Pump use.

To prevent possible equipment damage or personal injury, follow these guidelines.

Safety Summary

The following are general safety precautions that are not related to any specific procedures and do not appear elsewhere in this publication. These are recommended precautions that personnel must understand and apply during equipment operation and maintenance to ensure safety and health and protection of property.

Compressed Gas

Use of compressed gasses can create an environment of propelled foreign matter. Pressure system safety precautions apply to all ranges of pressure. Care must be taken during testing to ensure that all pneumatic connections are properly and tightly made prior to applying pressure. Personnel must wear eye protection to prevent injury.

Personal Protective Equipment

Wear eye protection approved for the materials and tools being used.

Symbols Used in this Manual

In this manual, a **Warning** identifies conditions and actions that pose a hazard to the user. A **Caution** identifies conditions and actions that may damage the Pneumatic Comparison Test Pump.

Symbols used on the Pneumatic Comparison Test Pump and in this manual are explained in Table 2.

Table 2. Symbols

Symbol	Description
~	AC (Alternating Current)
⏏	Earth Ground
⚠	Important Information: refer to manual
♻	Do not dispose of this product as unsorted municipal waste. Go to Fluke's website for recycling information.

Connections

Fit the device under test (DUT) to the test port using the method described below:

⚠ Caution

Ensure that all devices are internally clean and free from contamination before connecting to the tester.

Particle contamination can damage the sensitive piston assemblies, valve seats and screw pump.

To avoid contamination from moisture, and protect the system from particulates, we recommend the use of a P5531 Dirt/Moisture Trap. (Refer section Ancillary Equipment).

⚠ Warning

DO NOT use Teflon/PTFE tape on these connections, as this will prevent correct sealing. The Gauge Adapter sealing system is designed for hand-tight sealing up to 20,000 psi / 1,400 bar-wrenches or similar tools are not required — over tightening can cause damage to threads or sealing faces.

Before connection, ensure that there is an O-ring fitted to the test port.

Check that the sealing face of the device to be fitted is clean and undamaged, as scratches or dents can form leak-paths.

Note

The thread on the test port, and the lower part of the gauge adapters is LEFT-HANDED. The following procedure details the correct method for mounting devices using these adapters:

1. Screw the appropriate gauge adapter fully on to the instrument to be tested.

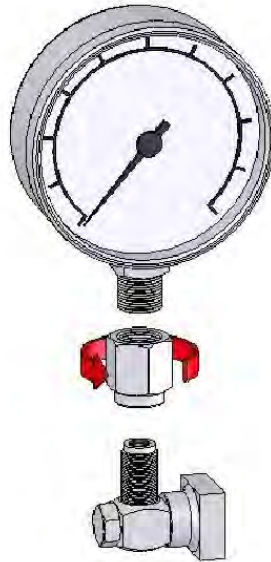


Figure 1. Fitting Gauge Adapter

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2. Screw assembly down COUNTER-CLOCKWISE on to test port.



Figure 2. Connect Assembly to Test Port

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Figure 3. Hand Tighten Only

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Note

Hand-tight is sufficient; ensure that the bottom face contacts the O-ring on the test port.

3. To adjust the position to face forward, hold the gauge adapter and turn the instrument COUNTER-CLOCKWISE, so that it faces forward.

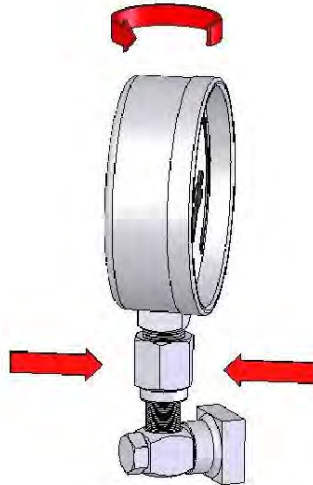


Figure 4. Adjust Gauge Position

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4. Hold the instrument steady, while turning the gauge adapter COUNTER-CLOCKWISE until it pulls down onto the O-ring.

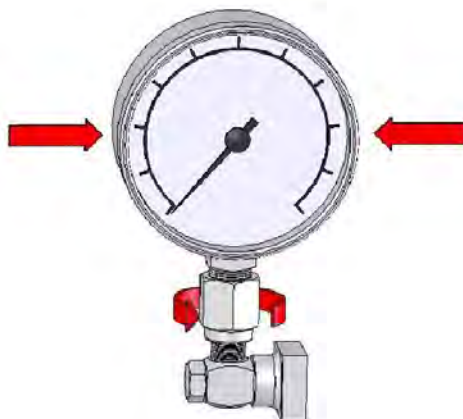


Figure 5. Tighten Gauge Adapter

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Figure 6. Hand Tighten Only

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Test Port Insert

For devices with 1/8 BSP or NPT mounting threads, the diameter of the thread is very close to the effective sealing diameter of the O-ring fitted to the test port.

This can make it difficult to achieve a good seal. When mounting these devices, use the test port insert (stored in the spare seals container) as shown in Figure 7.

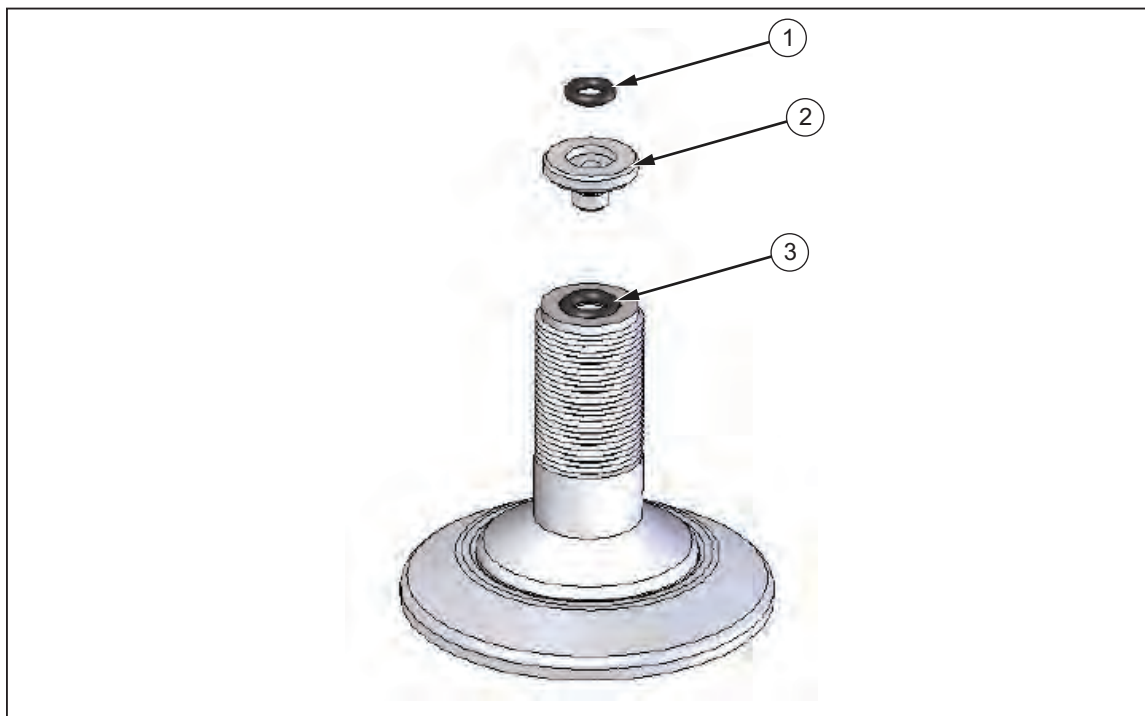


Figure 7. Test Port Insert

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Table 3. Test Port Insert - Parts List

Item	Description	Part
1	O Ring	3865142
2	Test Port Insert	3919892
3	O Ring	3883397

To calibrate panel-mounted gauges with pressure connections in the rear, use a P5543 Angle Adapter (refer to section Ancillary Equipment).

Operation

Vacuum

Turn the selector valve on the front panel to either “Vacuum” or “Pressure” and then operate as described in sections Vacuum, and Pressure, as applicable.

⚠ Caution

Ensure that the selector valve is positioned correctly before operation of the handpump, to avoid potential damage that may be caused by pressurization of sensitive vacuum devices.

1. Ensure exhaust valve is closed — Do not over tighten, as damage to the valve seat can occur.
2. To generate a vacuum in the system, use the handpump until the desired reading is reached.
3. Allow a few moments for the system to stabilize before taking any readings, especially after large changes in system pressure.

Note

Large, sudden changes in pressure will cause the system temperature to rise or fall, which can cause instrument readings to change as the gas in the system expands or contracts, thus increasing or decreasing the pressure.

4. For the next, higher vacuum point; repeat from 2 above.
5. For lower points, slowly open and close exhaust valve, allowing air into the system.
6. After calibration, always equalize the system pressure by slowly opening the exhaust valve.

Pressure

1. Ensure exhaust valve is closed — Do not over tighten, as damage to the valve seat can occur.
2. To increase the system pressure, use the handpump until the desired pressure is reached.
3. Allow a few moments for the system to stabilize before taking any readings, especially after large changes in system pressure.

Note

Large, sudden changes in pressure will cause the system temperature to rise or fall, which can cause instrument readings to change as the gas in the system expands or contracts, thus increasing or decreasing the pressure.

4. For the next, higher pressure point, repeat from 2 above.
5. To reduce system pressure, slowly open and close exhaust valve until the desired pressure is reached.
6. Before taking any readings, allow a few moments for the system to stabilize as before.
7. After calibration, always vent system pressure by slowly opening the exhaust valve.

During operation, air is drawn into the pump assembly through the upper port in the pump cylinder (13) when the piston is lifted, and expelled through the lower port when the piston is pushed down.

Maintenance and Servicing

The part number for the replacement seal kit is P5510SK.

Contamination

⚠ Caution

If the system becomes contaminated with dirt or moisture the instrument must be disassembled and cleaned, otherwise the pump may become damaged beyond repair.

Pump Removal

1. Remove unit from bench such that it can be turned over.

2. Remove 4 screws from sides of the housing (2 each side), and lift out cover plate from underside.
3. Disconnect nylon tubing from check valves (23) and (19).
4. Loosen locknut (3) approximately 1 turn.
5. Remove spring clip (1) from clevis (2), and swing the pump handle out of the way.
6. Unscrew clevis from piston shaft.
7. Loosen set screws (4) approximately 1 turn, and unscrew pump lock (5).
8. Pump assembly can be withdrawn from the instrument housing.

Pump Disassembly

1. Disassemble outlet check valve assembly, by unscrewing valve body (19). Take care not to loose the small internal items that may spring out.
2. Disassemble inlet check valve assembly. If there is any doubt about the functionality of the in-line check valve (23) it should be replaced, as it is difficult to clean effectively.
3. Remove guide (6) from cylinder (13) — take care not to damage this, as it is a tight fit within the cylinder.
4. Remove piston assembly from cylinder (13).
5. The piston head assembly (12) can be separated from the piston shaft (10) by removing the snap ring (9).

Cleaning & Inspection

Note

The piston head assembly cannot be further disassembled without damage to the components, so it must be wiped clean with a soft cloth to remove any contamination.

Check all seals for signs of wear and/or damage.

Check the cylinder bore for signs of excessive wear, scratches/scoring, etc.

Replacement seals are available; however, if there is significant damage to the internal components, the pump is available as a replacement assembly.

Pump Reassembly

1. Reassembly is the reverse of the above disassembly instructions.
2. Care should be taken whenever a seal comes in contact with metal components, to avoid damage to the seal from sharp edges, etc.

Examples:

- When introducing the piston head assembly (12) into the cylinder (13).
- When introducing the piston shaft (10) through the central hole in the guide (6).
- When introducing the guide (6) into the cylinder (13).

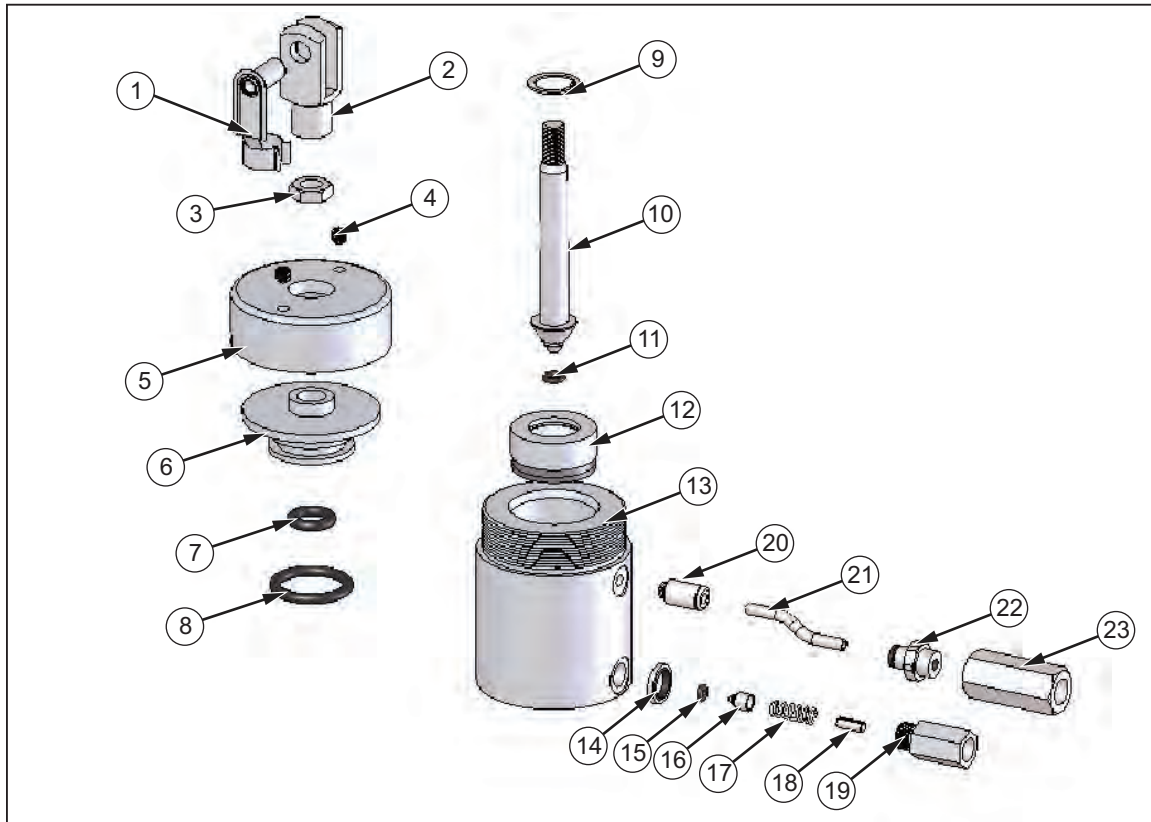


Figure 8. Handpump Assembly

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Table 4. Handpump Assembly - Parts List

Item	Description	Part	Item	Description	Part
1	Spring Clip	3920224	13	Cylinder	SPEC.
2	Clevis	3920236	14	Bonded Seal	3918879
3	Locknut	3918713	15	O Ring	3865075
4	Set Screw	3918822	16	Bullet	3918846
5	Pump Lock	Spec.	17	Spring	3918854
6	Guide	Spec.	18	Spring Guide	3918868
7	O Ring	3867548	19	Check Valve Body	SPEC.
8	O Ring	3918984	20	Coupling	3918991
9	Snap Ring	3918797	21	Flexible Tubing	3922387
10	Piston Shaft	Spec.	22	Coupling	3923564
11	O Ring	3865142	23	Check Valve Assy.	3920249
12	Piston Head Assy.	3967747			

Ancillary Equipment

Dirt/Moisture Trap, P5531

Dirt/Moisture Traps provide an effective barrier against the transfer of moisture and dirt from an instrument under test to the clean pneumatic system of the comparison test pump and the master test gauge connected to it. Unexpected particle contamination or fluid inside the device under test will be prevented from entering the test system, avoiding downtime for maintenance and repair.



Figure 9. Dirt/Moisture Trap

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Angle Adapter, P5543

To calibrate gauges with the pressure connection on the rear (e.g. panel-mount gauges) in their correct position, an angle adapter should be used. The angle adapter fits directly onto the test station, converting it through 90 degrees, allowing the standard adapters to be used.



Figure 10. Angle Adapter

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Pointer Remover/Punch, P5551

To remove and refit the pointer of a pressure gauge, use a pointer remover/punch. This tool has a spring-loaded plunger to quickly and consistently refit the pointer.



Figure 11. Pointer Remover/Punch

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