

# P3031 & P3032

Pneumatic Deadweight Tester

Users Manual

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# Chapter 1

## General Information

### Introduction

This manual covers the operation and maintenance of the P3031 and P3032 Pneumatic Deadweight Testers (DWT).

### How to Contact Fluke

To order accessories, receive operating assistance, or get the location of the nearest Fluke distributor or Service Center, call:

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### Safety Information

#### 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.

#### Warning

**If the equipment is used in a manner not specified by the manufacturer, the protection provided by the equipment may be impaired.**

### Compressed Gas

Use of compressed gas 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 hydraulic connections are properly and tightly made prior to applying pressure. Personnel must wear eye protection to prevent injury.

### Heavy Weights

Lifting and movement of heavy weights can create an environment of strain and impact hazards. Care must be taken during testing to ensure that weight masses are lifted in a manner that avoids over-reaching or twisting, and that the masses are not dropped. Personnel must wear reinforced safety shoes to prevent injury.

### Personal Protective Equipment





Wear eye protection and reinforced safety shoes 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 Deadweight Tester or the equipment under test.

Symbols used on the DWT and in this manual are explained in Table 1-1.

Table 1-1. 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.

## Operating Principle

Deadweight Testers are the primary standard for pressure measurement. Utilizing the well-proven Piston-Gauge system, consisting of a vertically mounted, precision lapped Piston and Cylinder assembly, accurately calibrated weight masses (Force) are loaded on the piston (Area), which rises freely within its cylinder. These weights balance the upward force created by the pressure within the system.

$$PRESSURE = \frac{FORCE}{AREA}$$

Each weight is marked with the tester serial number, and the pressure measured when placed on a correctly spinning and floating piston. The total pressure measured is the summation of the weights plus the piston weight carrier assembly.

When the gas pressure within the system balances the combined downward force of the piston and weights, the piston and weights will float freely and the system is in equilibrium.

The design of a Piston/Cylinder Unit (PCU) fitted to a deadweight tester allows for a very small clearance gap between the piston and cylinder. This is required to allow the gas to pass between the components, providing a lubricating film, and preventing metal-to-metal contact.

## Operating & Storage Specification

Temperature and relative humidity ranges for operation and storage of the deadweight tester are listed in Table 1-2.

**Table 1-2. Temperature and Humidity Ranges for the DWT**

	Operation	Storage
<b>Temperature</b>	18 °C to 28 °C 64 °F to 82 °F	10 °C to 50 °C 50 °F to 122 °F
<b>Relative Humidity (Non-Condensing)</b>	20 % to 75 %	0 % to 90 %

## Environmental Corrections

The DWT has been calibrated to the Gravity, Temperature and Air Density stated on the certificate.

Equations and factors are given on the certificate to adjust for any variations in these environmental conditions.

### Gravity

Gravity varies greatly with geographic location, and so will the deadweight tester reading.

Due to the significant change in gravity throughout the world (0.5%), ensure that the tester has either been manufactured to your local gravity, or that you have applied the correction from the calibrated gravity.

Example:

Deadweight Tester calibrated gravity	980.665 cm/s <sup>2</sup>
	(980.665 cm/s <sup>2</sup> is the International
Standard Gravity)	
Gravity at site	981.235 cm/s <sup>2</sup>
Indicated Pressure	250 psi

$$TRUE\ PRESSURE = \frac{981.235}{980.665} \times 250$$

$$TRUE\ PRESSURE = 250.1453\ psi$$

The ability to determine the local gravity value will depend on the data available in the country that the instrument is to be used in. Some countries have geographic/geological survey/mapping organizations that have the data readily available. If not, the countries' National Standards Laboratory may be able to recommend a source of suitable information.

### **Temperature and Air Density**

Temperature and Air Density variations are less significant than gravity. Variations should be corrected for when maximum accuracy is required.

Temperature variation example:

Deadweight Tester calibrated temperature	20 °C
Operating temperature	24 °C
Percentage change per °C	0.002%
Indicated Pressure	250 psi

$$TRUE\ PRESSURE = 250 + (20 - 24) \times \frac{0.002}{100} \times 250$$

$$TRUE\ PRESSURE = 249.98\ psi$$

### **Fluid Head**

The piston assembly is liquid-lubricated in this particular model of deadweight tester; therefore variance in the fluid level within the piston chamber will have an effect on the pressure within the system.

The deadweight tester has been manufactured to an average fluid height relative to the bottom of the piston in its mid-operating position.

The change in pressure as a result of variations in the relative fluid level, during normal operation, will not exceed:

0.0055 psi / 0.00038 bar for oil-lubricated systems.

0.0118 psi / 0.00082 bar for Krytox GPL101 lubricated systems.

The fluid level is not visible in operation; therefore the exact height cannot be ascertained. However, to ensure best accuracy, fill the chamber to its upper limit and then operate. In this condition, the fluid level will be 4.5 mm above the calculated average.

If running at this level, reduce the pressure measurement by:

0.0055 psi / 0.00038 bar for oil.

0.0118 psi / 0.00082 bar for Krytox GPL101.

The change in fluid height per minute at maximum pressure for the initial 2 mm is typically 0.01 mm, which equates to:

0.000012 psi / 0.0000008 bar for oil.

0.0000262 psi / 0.0000018 bar for Krytox GPL101.

The change in fluid height per minute at maximum pressure after the initial 2 mm will reduce to typically 0.005 mm, which equates to:

0.000006 psi / 0.0000004 bar for oil-lubricated systems.

0.0000131 psi / 0.0000009 bar for Krytox GPL101 lubricated systems.

To ensure accuracy is maintained, the piston and weights must be kept clean and undamaged.

# Chapter 2

## Preparation

### Preparation

The deadweight tester must be set up on a level, stable workbench or similar surface. Level the tester using the four adjustable feet to the bubble level attached to the top plate.

### Connection to External Pressure Supply

The connection port in the rear panel of the instrument is ¼ NPT. Pressure supply must be both clean and dry — a compressed gas bottle (instrument quality nitrogen or air) fitted with a pressure regulator is recommended. Factory (compressor) air lines should only be used if a series of filters are fitted to ensure that the supply is clean and dry.

The external pressure supply must be regulated to either the maximum range of the deadweight tester, or 10% above the maximum pressure required, whichever is the lower.

#### **⚠ Warning**

**Great care must be taken when operating any pneumatic deadweight tester, as any contamination present within the system will result in degradation of performance, and eventual IRREPARABLE DAMAGE to the PCUs.**

**Do not over-pressurize the deadweight tester.**

To avoid damage to the instrument, the operator should ensure that any device under test (DUT) is clean and dry before connecting it to the test port. If the DUT is of unknown cleanliness, the Dirt/Moisture Trap, P5532, can be mounted to the test port of the deadweight tester. This will prevent any dirt particles or moisture droplets present within the DUT from passing into the deadweight tester system, (See Chapter 8, Ancillary Equipment).

### 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 cross-contamination from other fluids, and protect the system from particulates, we recommend the use of Liquid Separator 5521M, (refer Chapter 9, 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.**

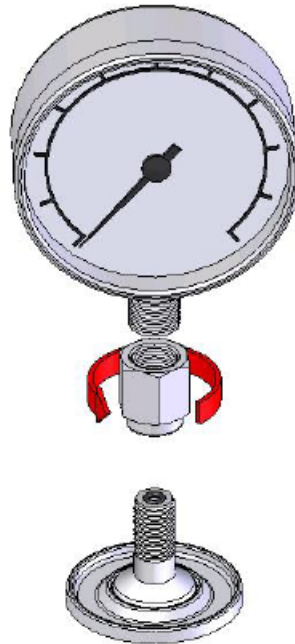
**Before connection, ensure that there is an O-ring fitted to the test port.**

**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.



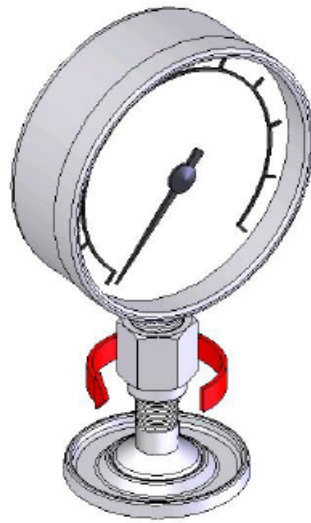
**Figure 2-1. Screw on Gauge Adapter**

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

*Note*

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



**Figure 2-2. Making Pressure Connections**

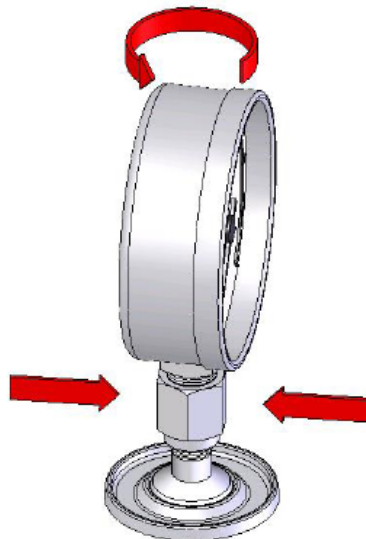
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**Figure 2-3. Do Not Over-Tighten**

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



**Figure 2-4. 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.

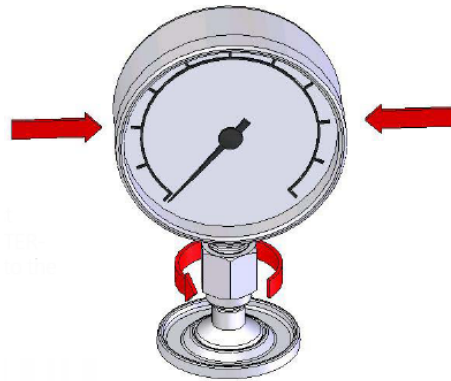


Figure 2-5. Tighten Gauge

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Figure 2-6. Do Not Over-Tighten

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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 2-7.

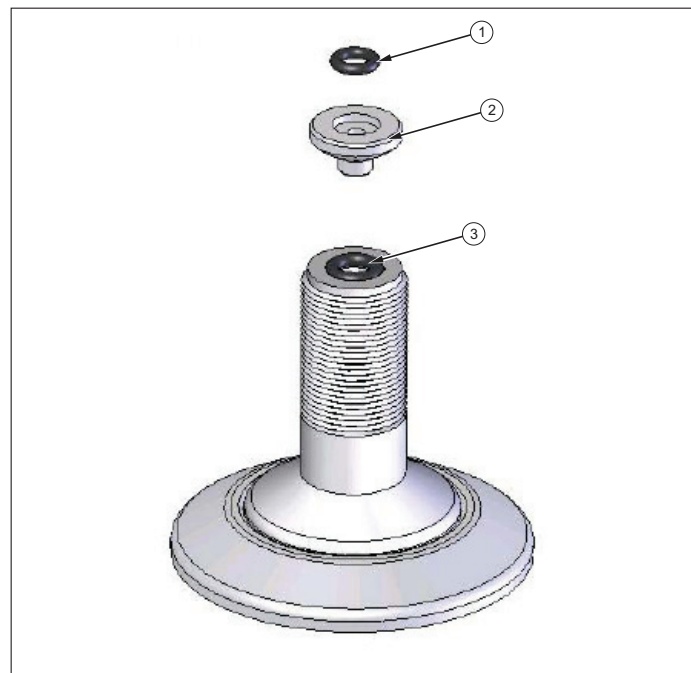


Figure 2-7. Test Port Insert

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**Table 2-1. Test Port Insert - Parts List**

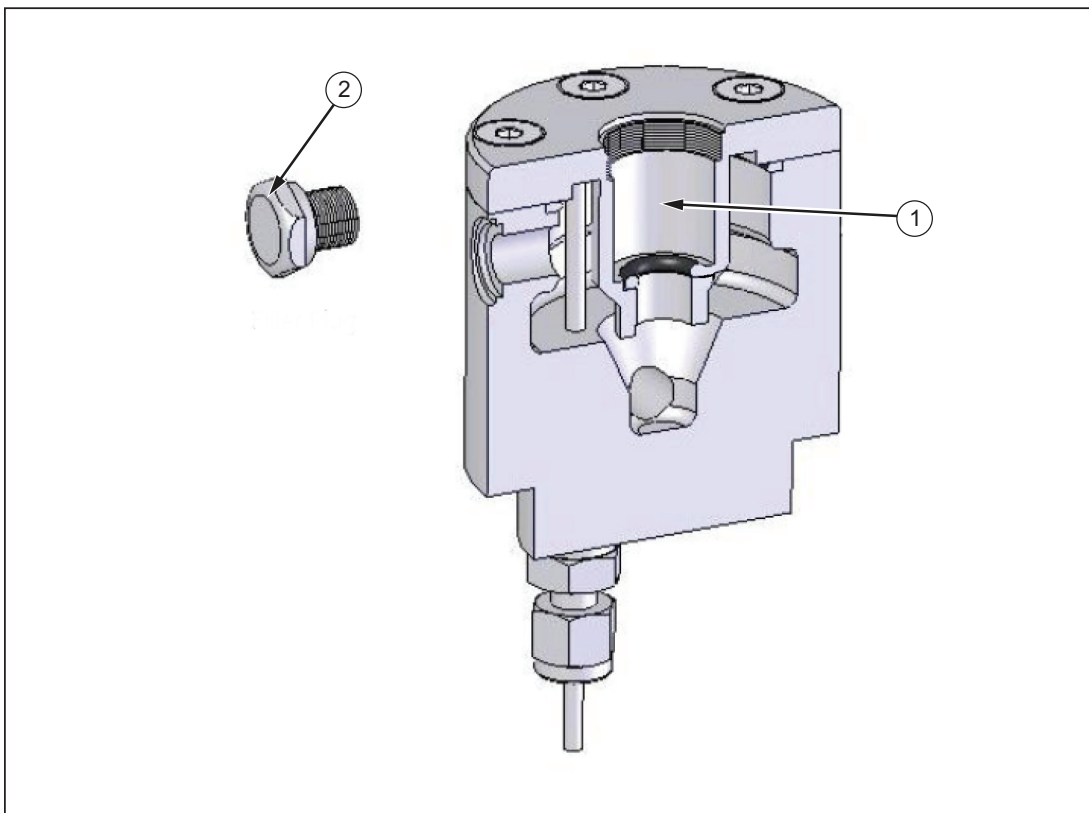
Item	Description	Part
1	O Ring	3865142
2	Test Port Insert	3919892
3	O Ring	3883397

To calibrate panel-mounted gauges with pressure connections in the rear, use an Angle Adapter P5543, (see Chapter 8, Ancillary Equipment).

## **PCU Priming**

If the instrument is to be primed for the first time after drainage for storage/transportation, the following points apply:

1. Remove PCU assembly — see Chapter 5, PCU Assembly.
2. Remove filler plug.
3. Using the filler bottle, fill the chamber through the top port until the fluid level reaches the PCU O-ring. Allow time for the fluid level to stabilize.
4. Continue this procedure until the fluid level reaches the bottom of the filler plug port — **DO NOT OVERFILL**. If this occurs, wipe up any spills, and allow any excess fluid to drain out of the port.
5. Replace the filler plug.
6. Replace the PCU assembly.



**Figure 2-8. Sectional View - PCU Housing**

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# Chapter 3 Operation

## Introduction

There is a monitor gauge fitted to the instrument top plate, to serve as a guide to the operator by indicating the approximate pressure in the system.

1. Ensure that both Inlet and Exhaust valves are closed.
2. Turn screw press out (counter-clockwise) to approximately half its travel.
3. Select the required weights and stack them on the piston assembly. The pressure measured is the sum of the weights plus the piston/weight carrier.
4. SLOWLY open and close inlet valve until piston floats with the bottom face of the lowest weight is level with the groove in the indicator post. This is the PCU mid-float position, which is the height at which all internal corrections have been made with reference to the pressure datum (top of the test port).

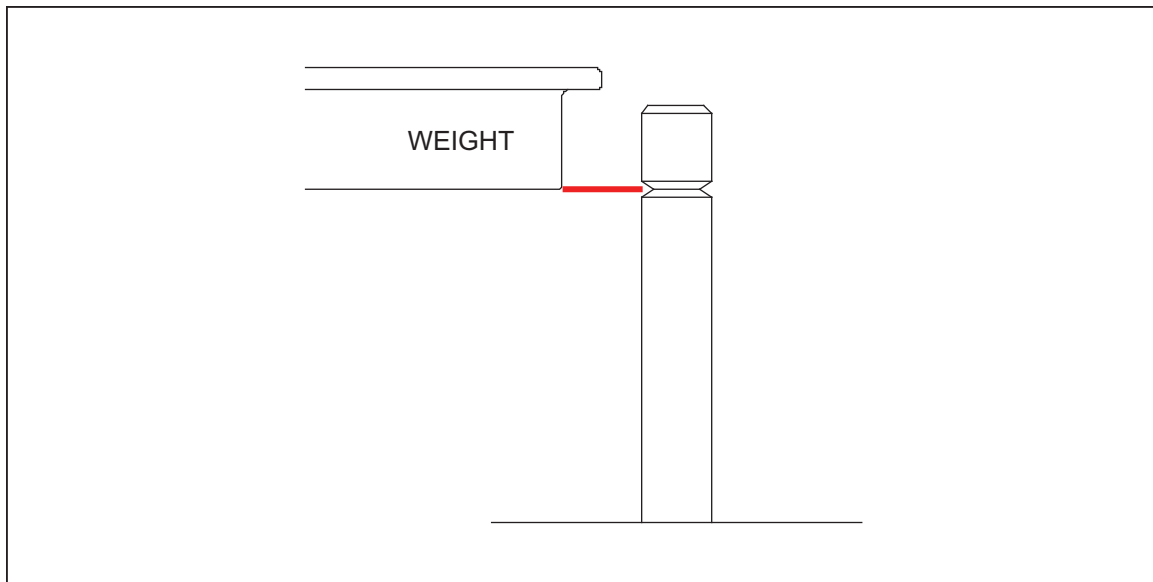


Figure 3-1. Float Height Indicator Post

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5. If the piston is over-pressurized (piston against top travel limit) then reduce pressure by SLOWLY opening and closing exhaust valve until the piston floats freely. The screw press can be used for fine control — turn in (clockwise) to increase, and out to decrease pressure.

*Note*

*At low pressures, the piston may require lifting manually to overcome the 'stick' due to surface tension of the film of fluid that will develop between the top of the cylinder and the underside of the weight carrier.*

6. Gently rotate the weight stack clockwise, such that it is turning between approximately 10 and 60 rpm. Avoid side-loads when turning the weights by placing the palms of the hands on either side and "rolling" the stack by pulling in opposite directions, see Figure 3-2. **DO NOT rotate weights when the piston is against the top or bottom limits of travel.**
7. Allow a few moments for the system to stabilize before taking any readings, especially after large changes in system pressure.
8. For the next higher calibration point, repeat from step 3 above.
9. To measure reducing pressures, remove the necessary weights, and by opening and closing the Exhaust valve, SLOWLY reduce the system pressure until the piston floats, then rotate clockwise as above.
10. Depressurize the system by SLOWLY opening the Exhaust valve, as sudden depressurization will cause the weight stack to fall quickly, which may damage the piston assembly.
11. Remove the weights from the piston.
12. The fluid level should be checked and maintained as required, periodically (dependant upon use). **Always ensure that the system is fully depressurized before removing the filler plug.** Remove the filler plug and introduce more fluid with the filler bottle, until it reaches the bottom of the filler port, then replace plug.

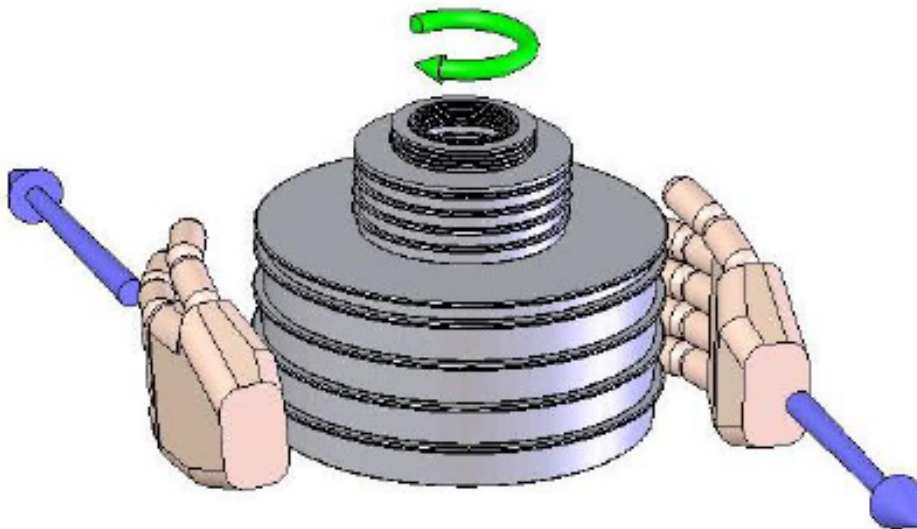


Figure 3-2. Weight Rotation

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# Chapter 4

## ***Calibration in Different Pressure Units***

### ***Introduction***

The deadweight tester can be used to calibrate in different pressure units in either of two methods:

### ***Conversion Weights***

A set of Conversion Weights can be supplied, marked in the required pressure unit, and adjusted to the correct mass for use with the existing piston(s).

The set includes (where applicable) a replacement low-pressure weight carrier table, and a replacement high-pressure weight carrier ring. These items are simply exchanged for the original items when using the conversion weights. Calibration is carried out as described above, with logical pressure increments throughout the operating range, avoiding the need to perform pressure unit conversion calculations.

### ***Software***

PressCal software is available for use with deadweight testers, and will allow users to apply all necessary corrections (e.g. local gravity, temperature, pressure head, etc.) to enhance the pressure measurement accuracy of the instrument.

It will allow calibration in any of 12 different pressure units, using the existing weight set.



# Chapter 5

## Maintenance & Servicing

### Introduction

#### Caution

**The piston / cylinder assembly is the most critical and sensitive part of the deadweight tester. To maintain accuracy, the piston must always slide freely in the cylinder, and the gas supply must remain clean and dry.**

The Figures on the following pages detail the components of each assembly, together with the relevant part numbers. Where “SPEC” appears as a part number, this indicates that this particular component varies with the specification of the deadweight tester, and is usually associated with other components in an assembly for replacement purposes.

A replacement seal kit is available for instruments covered by this manual, part number 3874964.

### PCU Assembly

#### Piston Disassembly

1. Hold the weight carrier (1), and lift the piston to its full extent. Unscrew cylinder retainer (5), and lift out PCU assembly.
2. Unscrew set screw (2) two turns, and remove weight carrier (1).
3. Remove cylinder retainer, and carefully withdraw the piston from the cylinder.

#### Piston Cleaning

4. Use “non-fluffing”, non-abrasive, lint-free tissue or absorbent cloth. Hold the piston by the larger “head” end, and rub the tissue back and forth along its length.
5. To remove all traces of contamination, the piston can be cleaned in a suitable solvent.
6. After removal from the solvent, using a NEW tissue, repeat the cleaning procedure in step 4.
7. Place piston carefully on a NEW tissue where it will not be damaged while the cylinder is cleaned.

#### Caution

**Never touch the working surface of a clean piston with bare fingers — the natural oil in your skin can cause the piston and cylinder to stick.**

8. Wipe any dirt or moisture from the outside surfaces of the cylinder (3).

9. Roll a NEW tissue into a tapered rod of appropriate size. Force the tissue through the cylinder bore whilst rotating. Ensure that the tissue is a tight fit inside the bore so that dirt and contamination is removed.
10. Repeat step 9, using a NEW tissue, but from the opposite end of the cylinder.
11. Immerse the cylinder in a suitable, clean solvent.
12. After removal from the solvent, using a NEW tissue, repeat the cleaning procedure in step 9 & 10.

### ***Piston Reassembly***

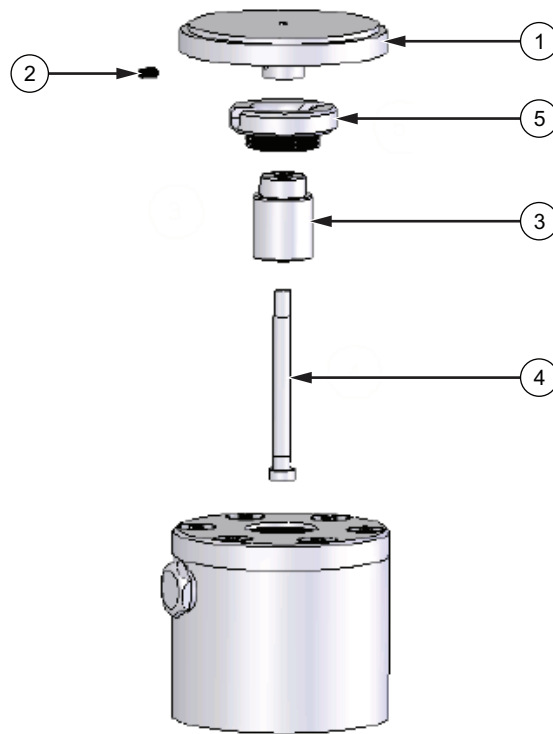
13. Holding the piston by the larger “head” end, dip the other end into a container of clean operating fluid, and transfer to the bore in the underside of the cylinder. Allow the fluid to run through the bore. Repeat this 2 or 3 times to ensure an even film of fluid exists in the cylinder bore.
14. Carefully introduce the piston into the underside of the cylinder, and push gently through (the piston will normally slide freely through due to its own weight).
15. NEVER FORCE THE PISTON INTO ITS CYLINDER OR DAMAGE WILL RESULT.
16. If resistance is felt, re-clean piston, cylinder or both. If, after repeated cleaning, the piston still will not slide freely within the cylinder, then permanent damage may have occurred. In which case, the parts should be returned to the factory for evaluation or replacement.
17. Place cylinder retainer over the piston, and locate on the stepped end of the cylinder.
18. Ensure that the weight carrier (1) is clean (especially the central mounting hole), and locate on the recessed end of the piston. Secure with set screw — Do not over-tighten.
19. Carefully screw the assembly into the instrument, ensuring that the PCU seal inside the housing is clean, undamaged, and correctly re-fitted.

### ***Replacement PCU Assembly***

#### **⚠ Caution**

**The piston and cylinder assembly is a matched pair, which is calibrated and adjusted to a calculated mass figure. If, for any reason, the piston or cylinder becomes damaged, then the entire assembly must be replaced. The replacement assembly consists of the following components: Item numbers 1 through 4.**





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**Figure 5-1. PCU Assembly**

**Table 5-1. PCU Assembly - Parts List**

Item	Description	Part
1	Weight Carrier	SPEC
2	Set Screw	3910313
3	Cylinder	SPEC
4	Piston	SPEC
5	Cylinder Retainer	3919216

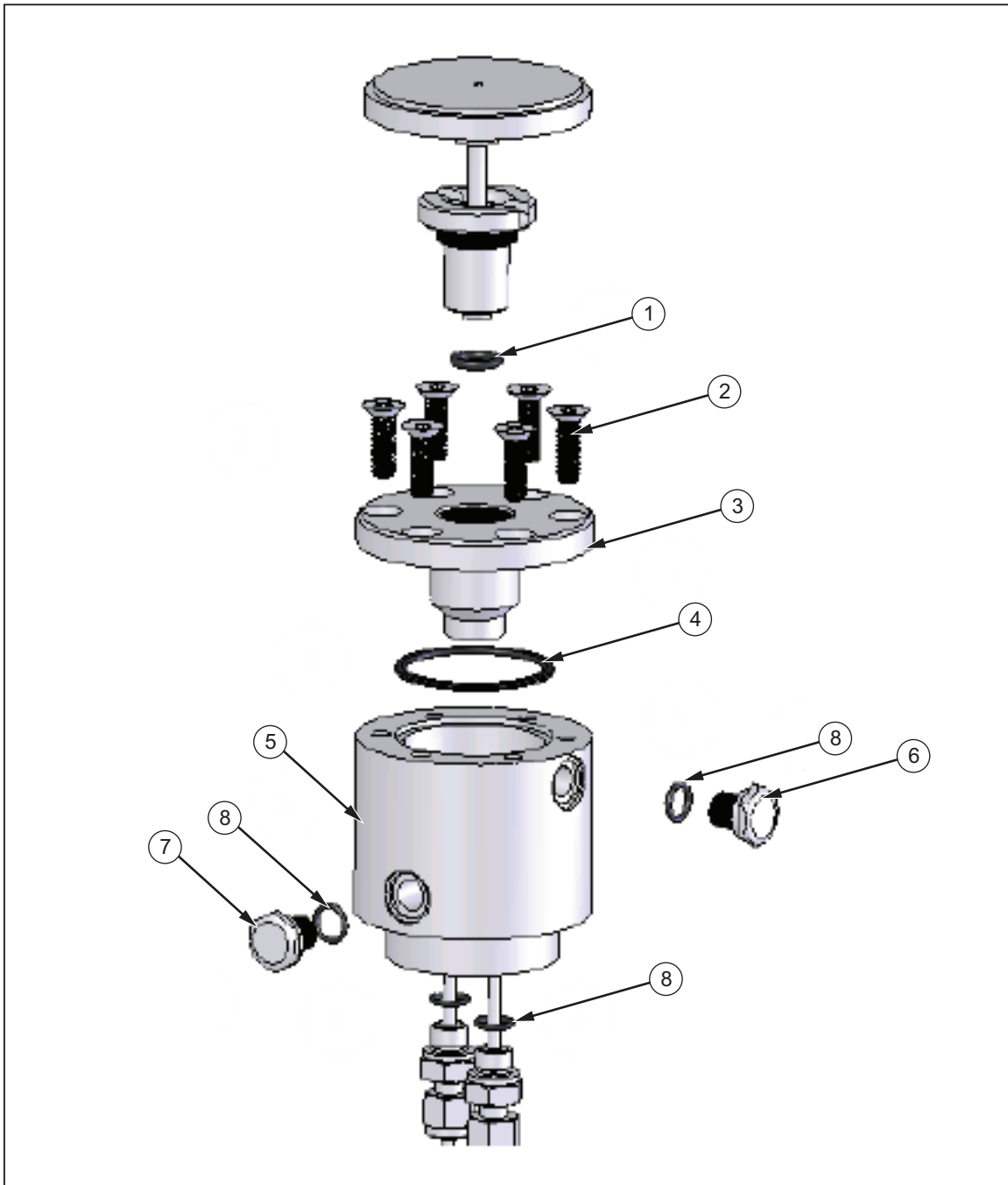
## **Draining PCU Fluid**

### *Note*

*In order to prevent contamination of the pneumatic system, the PCU lubricating fluid must be drained from the PCU housing before commencing any maintenance procedures that involve moving the instrument from the horizontal position. This includes packing the instrument for storage or shipment.*

1. Depressurize the system by slowly opening the exhaust valve.
2. Disconnect any DUT from the test port.
3. Place absorbent cloth or tissue paper around the base of the PCU housing.
4. Unscrew drain plug at the lower, rear of the housing to release fluid.
5. To increase flow rate, unscrew filler plug at the upper left hand side of the housing.

6. To ensure all fluid is removed, unscrew cylinder retainer, and remove PCU assembly.
7. Unscrew 6 screws, and remove cylinder holder.
8. Carefully wipe all traces of fluid from inside the PCU housing.
9. Ensure that there is no particulate contamination inside the housing, then replace cylinder holder and screws, ensuring that the o-ring is correctly re-fitted.
10. Carefully re-fit PCU assembly, and secure with cylinder retainer.



**Figure 5-2. PCU Housing Assembly**

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Table 5-2. PCU Housing Assembly - Parts List

Item	Description	Part
1	O-ring	3867582
2	Screw	3910035
3	Cylinder Holder	3919202
4	O-ring	3867594
5	PCU Housing	3867582
6	Filler Plug	3919233
7	Drain Plug	3919233
8	O-ring	3867575

## Top Plate Removal

### Note

*In order to perform maintenance procedures on the pneumatic system, the Top Plate Assembly must first be removed from the instrument case.*

1. Depressurize the system by slowly opening the Exhaust valve.
2. Disconnect any DUT from the test port.
3. Drain the PCU lubricating fluid as described above in Chapter 5, Draining PCU Fluid.
4. Remove the capstan spokes from the screw press hub.
5. Remove the 4 screws from the instrument top plate, (1 at the mid-point of each edge).

### ⚠ Caution

**The top plate will be connected to the instrument case by the tubing that runs to the external supply manifold, so care must be taken when lifting the plate to avoid damage to these connections.**

6. Hold the top plate assembly by the test port, and tilt the plate so that the rear edge is lifted, but the front edge remains in contact with the instrument case.
7. Slide the top plate towards the rear until the screw press hub is clear of the front lip of the instrument case.
8. Carefully lift the top plate to reveal the inlet connection from the external supply manifold (mounted on the rear panel of the case).
9. Disconnect the tubing, and lift the top plate clear of the case.

### ⚠ Caution

**When handling the top plate assembly, it is good practice to remove the piston assemblies to avoid accidental damage.**

### Note

*Replacement is simply the reverse of the above procedure.*

## Screw Press

1. Unscrew the large union nut (just behind the inner hub) of the screw press assembly.
2. Withdraw the lead screw assembly from the barrel (5), taking care not to drop the rambler assembly (9).
3. The white, anti-extrusion ring (8) is a PTFE spiral, and can be removed by “unwinding” it from the rambler.
4. When removing the rambler seal (7), take care not to use any tool that may have a sharp edge that will scratch the surfaces of the rambler, otherwise it may leak when reassembled.
5. The replacement rambler seal can be eased over the front of the rambler, and into the groove.
6. Similarly, the new anti-extrusion ring can be “wound” into the groove in the rambler, behind the rambler seal.
7. If it is necessary to remove the barrel (5), the locknut (4) must be loosened approximately  $\frac{1}{2}$  turn. The barrel can then be unscrewed from the test station (2).

### Note

*It is often easier to remove the barrel support bracket (6) to allow greater movement, (remove the 2 screws from the upper side of the top plate).*

8. Before re-fitting the barrel, ensure that the barrel seal (3) is correctly located in the counter-bore in the front of the barrel. Screw the barrel fully in to the test station, and secure with the locknut.
9. Re-align the barrel support bracket (if removed), and secure through the top plate with the 2 screws.
10. Ensure that the rambler assembly is correctly located on the end of the lead screw assembly. Carefully introduce the rambler into the open end of the barrel; making sure that it does not tilt when entering the barrel.
11. Push the lead screw assembly fully in to the barrel, ensuring that the key in the nut locates correctly in the slot in the barrel.
12. Re-tighten the barrel union nut.

### **⚠ Caution**

**If the lead screw assembly shows signs of excessive wear, then it is very likely that the associated components have worn also, therefore the screw press assembly is available as a spare part — see diagrams for part numbers.**

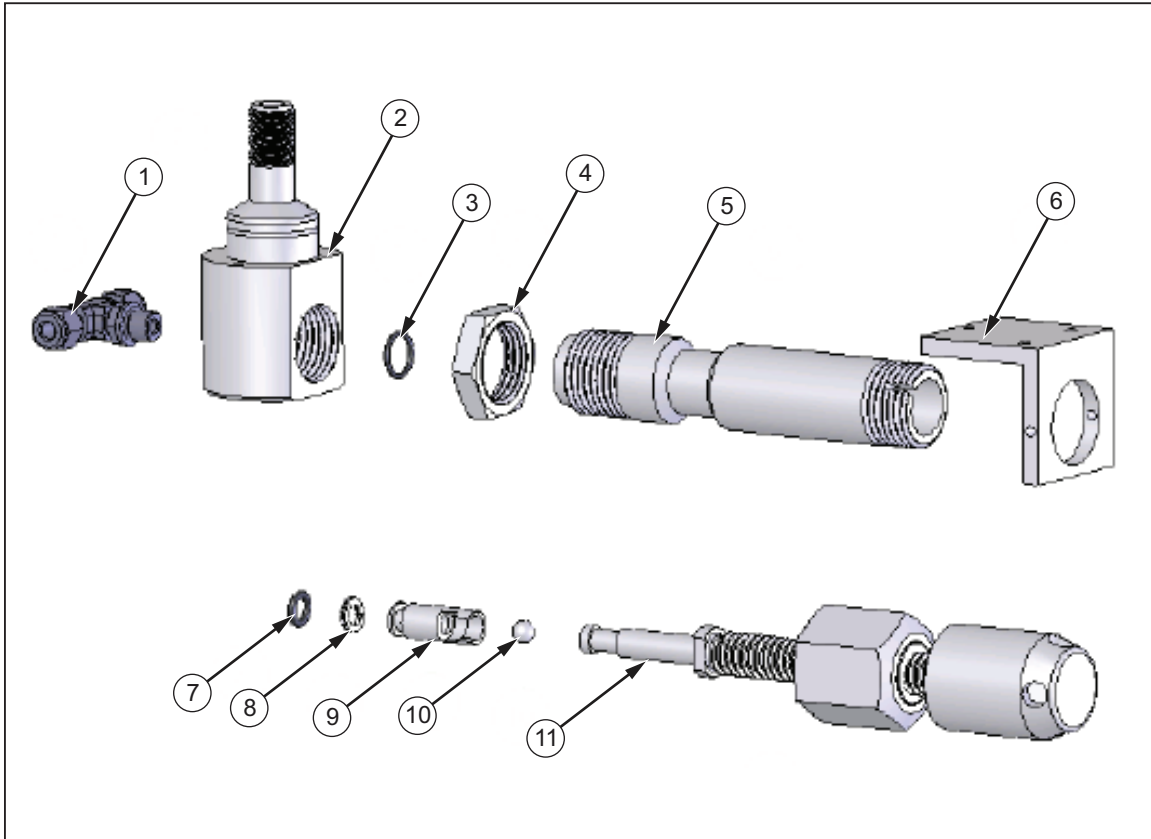


Figure 5-3. Screw Press Assembly

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Table 5-3. Screw Press Assembly - Parts List

Item	Description	Part
1	Tee	3867771
2	Test Port	3921414
3	O-ring	3864922
4	Barrel Locknut	3921438
5	Barrel	3921450
6	Barrel Support	3921492
7	O-ring	3867566
8	Anti-Extrusion Ring	3919118
9	Rambler	3919129
10	Ball	3917855
11	Lead Screw Assembly	3885994



# Chapter 6

## Fault Finding

### Poor PCU Spin/Sensitivity

#### General

If the piston is not free, do not rotate, as damage may occur — dismantle and clean the assembly as described in Chapter 5, PCU Assembly.

To check the freedom of the PCU, open the Exhaust valve and hold the weight carrier. Lift the piston vertically, gently up and down. It should slide freely within the cylinder, if any resistance is detected, it must be cleaned immediately.

If the spin/sensitivity of a recently cleaned PCU deteriorates quickly, then it is likely that the lubricating fluid within the PCU housing has become contaminated. This must be drained out, and the PCU housing thoroughly cleaned and re-primed with clean fluid before further calibration is carried out.

### System Will Not Pressurize

1. Ensure that Inlet and Exhaust valves are closed
2. Ensure for missing or dirty seal in test port.
3. Ensure that the sealing face of the DUT is not dented or scratched, and is correctly contacting the seal in the test port.
4. Ensure that the external supply is correctly connected and functioning correctly.
5. Ensure that the DUT is not leaking.
6. Check for correct fluid level in the PCU housing.

### High Piston Fall-Rate

The piston will always fall slowly due to the small leak between piston and cylinder. This fall rate will never be so fast that a stable reading cannot be made. If the fall rate is large:

1. Perform all checks in the System Will Not Pressurize section.
2. If the fluid has recently been topped-up, or the PCU has been removed, trapped air may be bleeding past the piston. Continue to pressurize and the fall-rate will stabilize when the trapped air has bled away.





# Chapter 7

## Storage & Transportation

### **Instrument — Storage**

1. Shut-off external gas supply, and depressurize system by slowly opening both Inlet and Exhaust valves.
2. Disconnect external gas supply.
3. Refit instrument lid, ensuring that the hinges are correctly engaged, and secure with toggle clips at the sides.
4. The instrument should be kept horizontal at all times.

### **Instrument — Transportation**

To prevent system contamination during shipment/transportation of this instrument, the fluid in the PCU housing **MUST** be drained — see Chapter 5, Draining PCU Fluid.

### **Weights**

1. Starting with the largest increments first, stack all appropriate weights in the wooden weight case.
2. Pass the threaded rod of the weight clamp assembly down through the center of the weight stack, and locate in the base of the weight box.
3. Secure the weights by screwing the clamp assembly in clockwise, ensuring that the stepped rim of the clamping disc locates correctly in the center of the weight stack.
4. Close lid and secure with catches at front.

#### **Warning**

**The weight set is HEAVY (can be up to 80 lbs/36 kg per individual box) so care must be taken when moving it. Both handles must be used when lifting the set for stability, and we recommend that it be carried between two people.**



## Chapter 8 Ancillary Equipment

### **Dirt/Moisture Trap, P5532**

If there is any doubt that the instrument to be tested is not internally clean, then the addition of the P5532 Dirt/Moisture Trap will protect the deadweight tester from contamination and possible damage. Any particles or moisture present within the DUT will fall and be trapped in the aluminum chamber, which can be periodically inspected by the operator.

The top connection reproduces the test port on the deadweight tester, allowing the standard gauge adapters to be used.



**Figure 8-1. 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 8-2. Angle Adapter**

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### **Pointer Remover/Punch, P5551**

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



**Figure 8-3. Pointer Remover/Punch**

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