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#### **INTRODUCTION:**

The OV2 (Orifice Valve) was developed as a constant low flow oxygen supply valve with manual addition included. The OV2 has two inlets and one outlet port. We are sure you will be pleased with its performance, reliability, and ease of use.

Because this valve can be used or configured in several different ways, this manual is only a guide and is not instruction on proper diving methods or training. This manual does not cover diving physics and rebreather training needed for operating the OV2 on life support equipment. IF the OV2 will be used on life support equipment, knowledge of CCR principles, unit to be used on, dive physics, and YOUR BRAIN are required for safe usage.

There is important information throughout the manual that is critical to using and maintaining the OV2 properly, and safely. Each OV2 has been pressure and flow tested prior to shipment.

#### READ THE ENTIRE MANUAL BEFORE USING THE OV2! YOUR LIFE MAY DEPEND ON IT!

IF the operator plans to use this device on life support equipment, remember, this device does not control PPO2 levels or replace the operator's brain. <u>IMPROPER USE CAN INJURE OR KILL YOU WITHOUT</u> <u>WARNING! WATCH YOUR PPO2!!</u>

If any questions arise while working with this manual, <u>STOP</u> and contact Gorilla Diving Products Inc. technical support via email (<u>charles@gorilladiving.com</u>) or 704-609-8270.

Diving is a dangerous activity. Technical rebreather diving is extremely dangerous. All equipment can fail. Use of this valve on any life support equipment is no different. THIS DEVICE CAN FAIL WITHOUT WARNING.

This manual is to be used <u>only</u> by the purchaser of the OV2 who has agreed to the waiver requirements prior to purchase. The operator must understand the dangers and responsibilities of using this valve.

Use of this valve may void OEM warranties.

#### 1 OV2 FEATURES

- 1.1. Built in 50 micron filter screen at both inlet ports. The orifice also has a filter installed.
- 1.2. Standard BC inflator valve for manual injection that has been made oxygen compatible. The inflator button is colored green to signify oxygen use.
- 1.3. Quick change out orifice for easy servicing.
- 1.4. Four 13/64(.203) inch diameter holes through the body for easy mounting.
- 1.5. The OV2 is machined from solid plastic and not mold injected. This makes the valve dependable, durable, and still light weight.

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#### 2. <u>REQUIREMENTS</u>

- 2.1. <u>The OV2 must be used with a constant inlet pressure.</u> Set your NON-depth compensating 1<sup>st</sup> stage pressure to 160 psig. DO NOT use a depth-compensating 1<sup>st</sup> stage. Using a depth-compensating 1<sup>st</sup> stage IS EXTREMELY DANGEROUS and will cause runaway oxygen levels in the breathing loop.
- 2.2. Be sure to use only O2 compatible hoses and fittings.
- 2.3. An over pressure valve should be installed at the supply gas valve (1<sup>st</sup> stage) to help prevent excessive inlet pressure at the OV2.
- 2.4. There must be a way to shut off all supply gas to the OV2 valve. Depending on the application, this can be done in several ways. In-line shut-offs and/or QDC fittings are often used.
- 2.5. We recommend hard plumbing this valve and using an in-line shut off valve on both inlets.

#### 3 ASSEMBLY and MOUNTING INSTRUCTIONS

# ATTN: BE SURE TO MOUNT THE OV2 IN AN AREA WHERE ACCIDENTAL CONTACT WITH OTHER EQUIPMENT OR OBSTRUCTIONS WILL NOT CONTACT THE MANUAL ADDITION BUTTON.

- 3.1. The OV2 is offered with several different fittings and adapters. Therefore, the following steps are only a general guide. The purchaser is fully responsible for determining correct mounting.
- 3.2. <u>NEVER loosen or tighten any adapters or hoses to the valve fittings without holding the</u> <u>stationary fitting with a wrench!</u> Two wrenches must always be used to prevent loosening <u>fittings or possible stripping of threads in valve body!</u>
- 3.3. <u>NEVER INSTALL THIS VALVE INTO AN OPEN CURCUIT SYSTEM!</u> This valve has insufficient gas flow for open circuit system requirements.
- 3.4. We recommend to hard plumb all connections and use a shut-off valve at the inlet ports. This method reduces possible leaks and contaminants from entering the valve. All quick disconnects should be used for emergencies ONLY! Using QDCs can allow water infiltration and cause possible orifice clogging.
- 3.5. <u>WARNING: IF the OV2 will be used with QDC type adapters, the valve must be pressurized anytime</u> it is submerged in water. Failure to do so will cause water infiltration into the valve. Water infiltration can cause orifice clogging and corrosion issues inside the valve.
- 3.6. The following picture is of a OV2-1 with standard 3/8 fittings in each port. Also shown is a QDCV-BC-ZM quick disconnect with 6lb. check valve and male BC fitting located at the offboard inlet port. This picture is for identifying valve features only. Depending on the valve purchased, the fittings will be different.

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- 3.9. Verify 1<sup>st</sup> stage is oxygen clean and plugged for constant pressure use.
- 3.10. Verify there is an over pressure valve installed in 1<sup>st</sup> stage.
- 3.11. Verify 1<sup>st</sup> stage intermediate pressure (IP) is set at approximately 160 psig.

# 3.12. CAUTION: Maximum allowable inlet pressure for the OV2 is 175 psig. Exceeding this pressure can cause valve failure and fluctuating inlet pressure from the 1<sup>st</sup> stage. Using the OV2 above 160 psig will cause shorter valve life.

- 3.13. Hookup the OV2 valve to the supply valve (1<sup>st</sup> stage) and a flow meter designed for oxygen use. Check the output flow of the valve to determine if it meets your flow requirement. Flow output should not exceed 1.0 liter per minute (LPM) regardless of application. If flow meets your requirements then proceed to step 3.15. IF the flow is too high, then follow Section 3.14 instructions. IF flow is too low, then change orifice to next higher diameter, reduce inlet pressure at 1<sup>st</sup> stage, and follow Section 3.14 instructions.
  - With the IP at 160 psig, an OV1 valve with a .0025 orifice should have a flow of approximately .019 CFM or .53 LPM.
  - With the IP at 160 psig, an OV1 valve with a .003 orifice should have a flow of approximately .024 CFM or .67 LPM

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- With the IP at 160 psig, an OV1 valve with a .0035 orifice should have a flow of approximately .030 CFM or .85 LPM
- 3.14. Remove blocking plug from 1<sup>st</sup> stage. Adjust supply pressure down in 5 psig increments until the desired flow is met. Change blocking plug o-ring, clean, and lubricate. Re-install blocking plug and cover on 1<sup>st</sup> stage and verify flow has not changed. Check for any leaks.
- 3.15. If the operator requires regular in-water disconnection and reconnection of other gas supplies, it is highly recommended to install a wet connect type of fitting to reduce the amount of water infiltration. We recommend Swagelok QC4 and QC6 for our valves. Use of any QDC will cause some infiltration when used in water. Although infiltration will be minimized, this will increase risk of clogging the orifice and will shorten life of valve. Use of QDCs under water will require the valve to be serviced more frequent.
- 3.16. <u>ATTENTION: All QCD fittings will allow water infiltration if not pressurized while submerged in water.</u> Valve must be pressurized if submerged in water.
- 3.17. If you decided to receive the OV2 without connectors, all ports are ¼-18 NPT. BE SURE you are using the correct male thread connectors. NEVER USE TEFLON TAPE ON THE PORT THREADS OR OVER TIGHTEN THE CONNECTORS. The body material is self-sealing with normal tightening. The plastic body does not require thread sealer, but can be sealed for extra protection against leaks. If a sealant is wanted on threads, use marine grade GOOP or 100% silicon adhesive. Wait a minimum of 48 hours to allow sealants to dry before using. Both of these are available at most home improvement stores.
- 3.18. Identify the inlet ports. The inlet ports are identified with arrows pointing towards the center of the valve (<<). Connect the OCV2 to the constant 160 psig supply source. <u>WARNING: NEVER</u> <u>tighten or loosen any adapters or hoses to the valve fittings without holding the fitting still with a wrench! Two wrenches must always be used!</u>
- 3.19. Identify the outlet port. The outlet port is identified with arrows pointing away from the valve (>>). The outlet port <u>must</u> be plumbed into the exhale side of the breathing loop. <u>NEVER INJECT</u> OXYGEN INTO THE INHALE SIDE OF A BREATHING LOOP ON A CCR USED BELOW 20 FT!
- 3.20. Connect the OCV2 to the parent equipment. <u>WARNING: NEVER tighten or loosen any adapters or</u> hoses to the valve fittings without holding the fitting still with a wrench! Two wrenches must always be used!
- 3.21. Use the 13/64(.203) inch diameter holes to mount as needed.

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- 3.22. Turn on the gas supply from the supply tank. The OV2 is now energized.
- 3.23. Check connections for leaks.
- 3.24. Never use the OV2 with leaking connections.
- 3.25. ALWAYS TURN OFF THE SUPPLY TANK WHEN NOT USING THE OV2.

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### 4 START UP INSTRUCTIONS

- 4.1. Turn on the preliminary gas supply from the supply tank. The OV2 is now energized.
- 4.2. Push the manual add button to ensure it is working properly.
- 4.3. Test the OV2 in a controlled environment until you are sure the flow meets your requirements.

#### 4.4. REMEMBER, THE OV2 DOES NOT COMPENSATE FOR CHANGES IN DEPTH OR CHANGES IN YOUR BREATHING RATE!

#### 4.5. NEVER! NEVER! NEVER! DIVE THE OV2 WITHOUT CORRECTLY ADJUSTED PPO2 MONITORS!

4.6. Always turn off the supply tank when not using the OV2.

## 5 EMERGENCY PROCEDURES

- 5.1. Although the OV2 is built rugged, problems can occur for many reasons. We recommend to hard plumb all connections and use shut off valves. This reduces possible leaks and contaminants from entering the valve.
- 5.2. If you are using the OV2 with any type of QDC connectors, and for some reason during in water use, the OV2 should have a total failure (heavy leaking of gas), disconnect both the inlet and outlet hose to the OV2. Use your manual diluent valve and your backup systems as needed. IF the valve was leaking, the valve must be serviced. NEVER USE A LEAKING VALVE. Contact Gorilla Diving Products Inc. for repair options.
- 5.3. If the OV2 is flooded in fresh water, disconnect the outlet connector. Press the manual button to blow out any trash or water. If the valve was only flooded with clean fresh water, this should be sufficient cleaning. Hook up a flow meter to the output port to verify flow is correct. See Section 3.12 for procedure. IF flow is below normal, then the filters and/or orifice is clogged. See Section 6 for servicing information.
- 5.4. If the valve is flooded with salt water, follow the same process (5.3), but afterwards disconnect the valve and place in fresh water with about 20% white vinegar for 30 minutes. Then transfer valve to fresh water to soak for 10 more minutes. Re-attach the inlet hose and follow the previous procedure (5.3) to remove any water and test output flow. IF valve flow is below your normal set flow rate, then the orifice will require removal and cleaning. See Section 6 for servicing information.

## 6 MAINTENANCE and SERVICING of OV2

6.1. The OV2 is designed to be rugged, dependable, simple to operate, and require minimum maintenance. The best way to ensure the OV2 will work properly is to dive it frequently. Follow the instructions in this manual, and be sure to have it serviced annually or every 100 hours of use.

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- 6.2. Using QDC type fittings may require the OV2 to be serviced more frequent due to small amounts of water infiltration. The OV2 is to be cleaned just like other scuba gear. IF you are using the standard QDC BC connectors, always leave the OV2 connected if you are soaking the parent equipment. Soak in fresh water and dry.
- 6.3. The flow output of the valve should be checked frequently to ensure no leaks have developed or the orifice is clogging.
- 6.4. We highly recommend carrying a spare orifice for field emergencies.
- 6.5. IF the orifice is clogged, removal is required. See following picture of OV2 with ½ port plug and orifice removed.
- 6.6. To remove the orifice, use a 3/16 Allen wrench to remove the  $\frac{1}{2}$  port plug.
- 6.7. Using a ¼ nut driver, remove the orifice by turning the driver counter clockwise. Only two fingers on nut driver should be enough force to remove the orifice. See the following picture of an OV2 with the port plug and orifice removed.



- 6.8. Verify there are no contaminants in the valve and especially the insert face that the orifice sits on. USE CAUTION NOT TO SCRATCH THE INSERT SEATING FACE.
- 6.9. Once the orifice is removed, the valve can be washed in fresh water and then blown out to dry if needed. Hook up the supply gas (160 psig) to the inlet port and energize the manual addition button a few times, then allow flow through the orifice insert only for a few more seconds. Once valve is dry, turn off supply gas.
- 6.10. ATTN: NEVER REUSE AN ORIFICE GASKET! Always use a new gasket when installing an orifice. Replacement gaskets and orifices are available on the website.
- 6.11. Install a replace orifice (with new gasket) and tighten to a maximum 9 lbs.-in. of force. ATTN: NEVER REUSE A GASKET! Always use a new gasket when installing an orifice. Replacement

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gaskets and orifices are available on the website. CAUTION: Light force is needed to seal the orifice. No more than two fingers are needed on the <sup>1</sup>/<sub>4</sub> nut driver to tighten orifice.

- 6.12. Remove the old o-ring from the ½ port plug and clean. Replace o-ring on plug and lubricate with O2 compatible grease. Visually inspect o-ring seat in valve body for damage or contaminants. IF seat area is damaged, DO NOT USE VALVE and contact Gorilla Diving Products Inc. IF seat area is acceptable, install ½ port plug. DO NOT OVER TIGHTEN PLUG. No more than 15 lbs.-in. of force is needed to seat the o-ring.
- 6.13. Test orifice flow with a flow meter. See Section 3.12 for procedure. IF flow is not correct use Section 3.12 to evaluate. WARNING: IF flow is much higher than original orifice and orifice is the same size, orifice gasket may be leaking. DO NOT USE VALVE and contact Gorilla Diving Products Inc.
- 6.14. If flow is correct and valve has no leak at port plug, follow all of Section 4.
- 6.15. Clogged orifices can be cleaned and reused if not damaged. Clogged orifices should be cleaned in an ultrasonic cleaner. If no ultrasonic cleaner is available, try soaking the orifice in distilled water and 20% white vinegar for 30 minutes. Then soak the orifice in distilled water for 10 minutes. Using clean scuba quality air (no shop compressors), lightly blow some air through the orifice inlet side. The inlet side is the end with the hex.

#### 7 CONTACT INFORMATION

- 7.1. Please contact GORILLA DIVING PRODUCTS INC. for servicing, technical support, or questions. We take pride in our customer service. <u>www.gorilladiving.com</u> or 803-831-9020.
- 7.2. Remember, your valve is guaranteed for 1 year to be free of any manufacturing defects.
- 7.3. Last but not least, we really what your feedback on our products. Please take a few moments to contact us via email with issues, comments, or suggestions.

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