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# Instructions for Use - Flowmeter

Flotec Flowmeters are designed for ease of use and durability. They are intended for use in homecare, professional care, and emergency medical services. They provide a constant flow of medical gas at the specified inlet pressure. The Flowmeter delivers the metered flow through the twelve-position flow selector. The Flowmeter has a metal inlet filter and rotor filter body to eliminate downstream contamination. They are available in a wide range of colors and inlet\outlet configurations. Flotec products contain no latex or latex byproducts.

Specifications:

See engraving for specifics per device

specifics per device Inlet and outlet Connections

Operating Range: 17, 20, 24, 30, 50, 58, 70 psig Flow Capacity: Min: 25 ccm, Max: 60 Lpm

Filter disk Rotor assembly

**Replacement Parts:** 

Temperature Range: -20 to 150F (-28.9 to 65.6C) O-rings

### Available medical gas configurations:

Oxygen, Medical Air, Nitrogen, Nitric oxide, Nitrous Oxide, Heliox, Carbon Dioxide, and various mixes thereof.

#### Warnings:

- Medical gases can be dangerous. Aside from dangers to specific gasses, large quantities of medical gases can reduce the availability of oxygen which can cause a person to faint and/or asphyxiate.
- Disassembly, assembly, and testing of Devices should be performed only by trained personnel. The work area must be free of hydrocarbon contaminants and residues because of the danger of spontaneous combustion when residues are exposed to medical gases.

#### Installation:

- · Connect the inlet and outlet of the Device to the correct fittings using the methods specific to the fitting used.
- If thread tape is required then
  - be sure only use PTFE tape;
  - · do not tape the first thread; and
  - use no more than two turns of tape.
- If there is any confusion on installing a device, contact Flotec.

# **Preventative Maintenance:**

All Devices should be cleaned and evaluated periodically to ensure proper performance. Clean as appropriate to the use and
exposure of the device; for general use alcohol wipes are sufficient. The frequency of testing should be established according
to usage and importance of the device. Testing should be performed at least once per year to evaluate for damage,
contamination, leakage, and performance.

# **Device Evaluation:**

#### Damage:

- Visually inspect the device for damage.
- While device is NOT attached to a medical gas system, dial each flow position. Each position should have a distinct click
  and a decal indicating the flow at that position. The device should not be capable of directly turning from off to full flow or
  full flow directly to off.
- If damage other than normal wear and tear is found, do not use the device, contact Flotec

#### **Contamination:**

• If there is any reason to believe that the device has been contaminated, do not use the device, contact Flotec.

# Leak:

- Plug all Device outlets.
- If Flow is selectable then turn the flow selector to "OFF".
- Attach the Device to the medical gas system.
- Slowly open outlet medical system valve.
- Apply a compatible leak test solution to all outlets, fittings, and Device body. Watch for bubbles.
- If a leak is found, do not use the device, contact Flotec.

#### Flow test

- Attach the Device to the medical gas system.
- Select each sequential flow and verify that gas is flowing from the outlet.
- Return the flow selector to "OFF".
- If all positions did not flow, do not use the device, contact Flotec.



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# **Safety Warnings:**

- 1. The use of Flotec devices for gases and pressures other than the specified gas and pressure is expressly prohibited. The user assumes all liabilities.
- 2. Do not use oil or grease.
- 3. Never administer medical gases while smoking, near an open flame, or near any other ignition source.
- 4. Never use medical gases from a cylinder without reducing the pressure through a suitable regulator intended for that gas.
- 5. Ensure that the threaded fittings on all devices are properly mated for the gas intended. Never attempt to force an incompatible connection.
- 6. Never permit compressed carbon dioxide to enter a flowmeter suddenly. Always open the valve slowly.
- 7. Fully open the medical gas system valve when a flowmeter is attached and in use.
- 8. Never leave a medical gas system valve open with flowmeter attached when flowmeter is not in use.
- 9. Before a device is removed, fully close the medical gas system valve, and release all residual gas pressure from within the device.
- 10. Never interchange devices, hoses, or other equipment with similar equipment intended for use with other gases. Flotec devices and related fittings should never be handled with oily or greasy hands or gloves. Never hold hand over the outlet(s) to test for the presence of pressure.
- 11. Never use medical gases as a pressure medium to purge obstructed pipelines or equipment, or to build up pressure in a tank.
- 12. Only use medical gases for equipment intended for use with the specified medical gas.
- 13. Do not stand in front of a flowmeter outlet when opening the medical gas system valve in case foreign particles are present which could cause a hazardous malfunction of the flowmeter.
- 14. Medical gas therapy may be critical treatment. All the devices must be used in strict accordance with the prescription and instructions of a physician.
- 15. Secure cylinders to wall, stand, or cart in accordance with local fire codes.
- 16. Downstream equipment used in conjunction with devices must be equipped with suitable safety valves to prevent over pressurization and damage.
- 17. Do not use or store medical gas equipment near excessive heat (>150 F or 65.5 C) or open flame.
- 18. CAUTION: Do not use organic-based threaded sealants on any portion of the regulator. Use only PTFE thread tape or carbon dioxide service compound.
- 19. Never leave devices pressurized with medical gases while not in use.



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# **Declaration of Conformity**

Product Identification		
Product names	Model/number	
Regulators, Flowmeters, and Regulators with Flowmeters	RXXXX-XXXXX FXXX-XXXXX MXXXX-XXXXX DXXXX-XXXXX SN numbered sequentially	

Manufacturer		
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Conformity assessment		
Device classification	Route to compliance	Standards applied
Class Ilb Rule 11	Annex IX MDD 93/42/EEC Council Directive	Council Directive 93/42/EEC ISO 13485:2012

Other standards applied		
SOR/98-282	BS EN ISO 10524:2006	BS EN ISO 14971:2012
IEC 62366-1:2015	ASTM-G175-03	RoHS Directive 2011/65/EU

Flotec declares that the above-mentioned products meet the provision of the Council Directive 93/42/EEC for Medical Devices and Directive 93/42/EEC as transposed in the national laws of the Member States.

Company representative: Brian Davidson

Title: President Signature:

**Date:** 01/09/2017

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# Five (5) Years

from the date of manufacture. This warranty is expressly conditioned on compliance with all inspection and preventative maintenance requirements as set by applicable government agencies and as specified by Flotec.

This warranty is extended by Flotec only to the first purchaser of the product from either Flotec or from an authorized Flotec Distributor.

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