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TLY FREE FLOAT STEAM TRAPS SJ SERIES



SJ6 SJ7



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## Introduction

Before beginning installation or maintenance, please read this manual to ensure correct use of the product. Keep the manual in a safe place for future reference.

The inline repairable SJ Series steam traps with thermostatic bimetal air vent are suitable for a wide range of applications with small-to-large capacities and pressures up to 1.4 MPaG (200 psig); such as heat exchangers, tank heaters, dryers and process equipment. The traps discharge condensate continuously and automatically, at a temperature slightly lower than saturation temperature.

1 MPa = 10.197 kg/cm<sup>2</sup>, 1 bar = 0.1 MPa

For products with special specifications or with options not included in this manual, contact TLV for instructions.

The contents of this manual are subject to change without notice.

## 1. Safety Considerations

- Read this section carefully before use and be sure to follow the instructions.
- Installation, inspection, maintenance, repairs, disassembly, adjustment and valve opening/closing should be carried out only by trained maintenance personnel.
- The precautions listed in this manual are designed to ensure safety and prevent equipment damage and personal injury. For situations that may occur as a result of erroneous handling, three different types of cautionary items are used to indicate the degree of urgency and the scale of potential damage and danger: DANGER, WARNING and CAUTION.
- The three types of cautionary items above are very important for safety; be sure to observe all of them, as they relate to installation, use, maintenance, and repair. Furthermore, TLV accepts no responsibility for any accidents or damage occurring as a result of failure to observe these precautions.

DANGER	<b>!</b> WARNING	CAUTION
Indicates an urgent situation which poses a threat of death or serious injury.	Indicates that there is a potential threat of death or serious injury.	Indicates that there is a possibility of injury or equipment/product damage.



**NEVER apply direct heat to the float.** The float may explode due to increased internal pressure, causing accidents leading to serious injury or damage to property and equipment.

Install properly and DO NOT use this product outside the recommended operating pressure, temperature and other specification ranges. Improper use may result in such hazards as damage to the product or malfunctions, which may lead to serious accidents. Local regulations may restrict the use of this product to below the conditions quoted.

**DO NOT use this product in excess of the maximum operating pressure differential.** Such use could make discharge impossible.

DO NOT subject this product to condensate loads that exceed its discharge capacity. Failure to observe this precaution may lead to condensate accumulation upstream of the trap, resulting in reduced equipment performance or damage to the equipment.

Take measures to prevent people from coming into direct contact with product outlets. Failure to do so may result in burns or other injury from the discharge of fluids.



When disassembling or removing the product, wait until the internal pressure equals atmospheric pressure and the surface of the product has cooled to room temperature. Disassembling or removing the product when it is hot or under pressure may lead to discharge of fluids, causing burns, other injuries or damage.

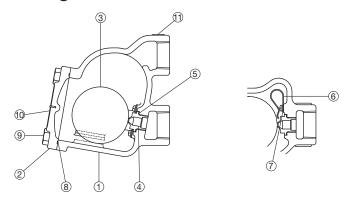
Be sure to use only the recommended components when repairing the product, and NEVER attempt to modify the product in any way. Failure to observe these precautions may result in damage to the product or burns or other injury due to malfunction or the discharge of fluids.

Do not use excessive force when connecting threaded pipes to the product. Overtightening may cause breakage leading to fluid discharge, which may cause burns or other injury.

Use only under conditions in which no freeze-up will occur. Freezing may damage the product, leading to fluid discharge, which may cause burns or other injury.

Use under conditions in which no water hammer will occur. The impact of water hammer may damage the product, leading to fluid discharge, which may cause burns or other injury.

# 2. Configuration



No.	Description	M*	R*	No.	Description	M*	R*
1	Body			7	Screw & Spring Washer		V
2	Cover			8	Cover Gasket	V	V
3	Float			9	Cover Bolt		
4	Orifice		V	10	Nameplate		
5	Orifice Gasket	V	V	11	UP-Seal		
6	Air Vent Strip		<b>V</b>				

<sup>\*</sup> M = Maintenance Kit, R = Repair Kit.

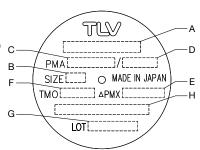
Maintenance parts and repair parts are available from TLV only in kits, as shown above.

Replacement Float available.

## 3. Specifications

Refer to the product nameplate for detailed specifications.

- A. Model
- B. Nominal Diameter
- C. Maximum Allowable Pressure\*
- D. Maximum Allowable Temperature\* (TMA)
- E. Maximum Differential Pressure
- F. Maximum Operating Temperature
- G. Production Lot No.
- H. Valve Number\*\*



- \* Maximum allowable pressure (PMA) and maximum allowable temperature (TMA) are PRESSURE SHELL DESIGN CONDITIONS, **NOT** OPERATING CONDITIONS.
- \*\* "Valve No." is displayed for products with options. This item is omitted from the nameplate when there are no options.

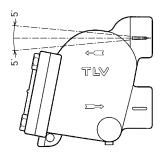
# 4. Proper Installation

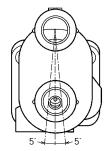


- Installation, inspection, maintenance, repairs, disassembly, adjustment and valve opening/closing should be carried out only by trained maintenance personnel.
- Take measures to prevent people from coming into direct contact with product outlets.
- Install for use under conditions in which no freeze-up will occur.
- Install for use under conditions in which no water hammer will occur.
- 1. Before installation, be sure to remove all protective seals.
- Install the steam trap within the allowable inclination, as shown overleaf. Also make sure that the arrow mark on the body corresponds with the direction of flow.
- 3. Before installing the trap, blow out the inlet piping to remove all dirt and oil.
- 4. Install the trap in the lowest part of the pipeline or equipment so the condensate flows naturally into the trap by gravity. The inlet pipe should be as short and have as few bends as possible.
- 5. Support the pipes properly within 800 mm (2.5 ft) on either side of the trap.
- 6. Install a strainer at the inlet side of the steam trap.
- Install a bypass valve to discharge condensate, and inlet and outlet valves to isolate the trap in the event of trap failure or when performing maintenance.
- Install a check valve at the trap outlet whenever more than one trap is connected to the condensate collection pipeline.
- The use of unions is recommended to facilitate connection and disconnection of screwed models

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#### Allowable Inclination





# 5. Piping Arrangement

Requirement	Correct	Incorrect
Install a catchpot with the proper diameter.		Diameter is too small.
Make sure the flow of condensate is not obstructed.		Diameter is too small and inlet protrudes into pipe.
To prevent rust and scale from flowing into the trap, connect the inlet pipe 25 - 50 mm (1 - 2 in) above the base of the T - pipe.	U	Rust and scale flow into the trap with the condensate.
When installing on the blind end, make sure nothing obstructs the flow of condensate.		Condensate collects in the pipe.

Check to make sure that the pipes connected to the trap have been installed properly.

- 1. Is the pipe diameter suitable?
- 2. Has the trap been installed within the allowable inclination and with the arrow on the body pointing in the direction of flow?
- 3. Has sufficient space been secured for maintenance?
- 4. Have maintenance valves been installed at inlet and outlet? If the outlet is subject to back pressure, has a check valve been installed?
- 5. Is the inlet pipe as short as possible, with as few bends as possible, and installed so that the condensate will flow naturally down into the trap?
- 6. Has the piping work been done with the proper methods as shown in the table above?

## 6. Inspection and Maintenance

Operational inspections should be performed at least twice per year, or as called for by trap operating conditions. Steam trap failure may result in temperature drop in the equipment, poor product quality or losses due to steam leakage.



NEVER apply direct heat to the float. The float may explode due to increased internal pressure, causing accidents leading to serious injury or property and equipment damage.

- Installation, inspection, maintenance, repairs, disassembly, adjustment and valve opening/closing should be carried out only by trained maintenance personnel.
- Before attempting to open the trap, close the inlet and outlet isolation valves and wait until the trap has cooled completely. Failure to do so may result in burns.
- Be sure to use the proper components and NEVER attempt to modify the product.

Parts Inspection Procedure				
Orifice Gasket	Check for warping or damage			
Orifice	Check the seat face for deformation, scratches and wear			
Float	Check for deformation, scratches and damage			
Cover Gasket	Check for warping, wear or damage			
Body, Cover	Check inside for rust dirt and scale accumulation			
Bimetal Strip	Avoid touching or distorting the bimetal strip. Unscrew it only if found damaged, or if the orifice must be removed			

Disassembly/Reassembly (to reassemble, follow procedures in reverse)					
Part & No.	Disassembly	Reassembly			
Cover 2	Use a socket wrench, or an open- end wrench to remove the cover bolts	Clean seating surfaces between cover and body, coat threaded portions of bolts with antiseize and tighten to the proper torque			
Cover gasket 8	Remove carefully	Replace only if found warped or damaged			
Bimetal strip 6	Remove only if necessary, do not bend or stretch it, as it will not return to its proper shape	Carefully return it to its proper position			
Orifice 4	Use a socket wrench to remove	Coat threaded portions with anti-seize and tighten to the proper torque			
Float 3	Be careful not to scratch its surface	The float is precision machined, be careful not to scratch its surface			

Tightening Torque and Distance Across Flats								
	S	J3	S	SJ5		SJ6		J7
Part & No.	N∙m	mm	N∙m	mm	N∙m	mm	N∙m	mm
	(lbf∙ft)	(in)	(lbf∙ft)	(in)	(lbf∙ft)	(in)	(lbf∙ft)	(in)
Cover Bolt 9	60	16,17	60	16,17	90	22	100	24
	(44)	(5/8, 21/32)*	(44)	(5/8, 21/32)*	(66)	(½)	(73)	(15/16)
Orifice 4	40	17	50	19	120	30	120	30
	(29)	( <sup>21</sup> ⁄ <sub>32</sub> )	(37)	(¾)	(88)	(1 <sup>3</sup> / <sub>16</sub> )	(88)	(1 <sup>3</sup> / <sub>16</sub> )

<sup>\*</sup> Size depends on bolt standard

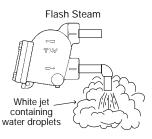
1 N·m ≈ 10 kg·cm

## 7. Operational Check

A visual inspection can be carried out to aid in determining the necessity for immediate maintenance or repair, if the trap is open to atmosphere. If the trap does not discharge to atmosphere, use diagnostic equipment such as TLV TrapMan or TLV Pocket TrapMan.

Normal:	Condensate is discharged continuously with flash steam and the sound of flow can be heard. If there is very little condensate, there is almost no sound of flow.
Blocked:	No condensate is discharged. The trap is quiet and makes no noise, and the surface temperature of the trap is low.
Blowing:	Live steam continually flows from the outlet and there is a continuous metallic sound.
Steam Leakage:	Live steam is discharged through the trap outlet together with the condensate and there is a high-pitched sound.

(When conducting a visual inspection, flash steam is sometimes mistaken for steam leakage. For this reason, the use of a steam trap diagnostic instrument such as TLV TrapMan is highly recommended.)





# 8. Troubleshooting

If the expected performance is unachievable after installation of the steam trap, read chapters 4 and 5 again, and check the following points for the appropriate corrective measures.

Problem	Cause	Remedy		
No condensate is discharged	Float is damaged or filled with condensate	Replace with new float		
(blocked) or discharge is	The float is sticking to the orifice	Clean		
poor	Orifice, screen or piping are clogged with rust or scale	Clean		
	Steam locking has occurred	Blowdown through the bypass or close the trap inlet valve and allow the trap to cool		
	Flow exceeds trap's rated capacity	Check specifications and reselect trap suitable for actual flow		
	The trap operating pressure exceeds the maximum specified pressure, or there is insufficient differential pressure between the trap inlet and outlet	Compare specifications and actual operating conditions		
Steam is discharged	Rust and scale has accumulated around the orifice or under the float	Clean		
or leaks from	Scratches on the orifice	Replace with a new orifice		
the trap outlet (blowing)	Float is deformed or coated with scale	Clean or replace the float		
(Steam leakage)	Trap is installed above the maximum allowable inclination angle	Correct the installation		
	Vibration of trap occurs	Lengthen inlet piping, then fasten it securely		
	The air vent strip is damaged	Replace with a new air vent strip		
Steam leaks from	Deterioration of or damage to gaskets	Replace with new gaskets		
a place other than the trap outlet	Improper tightening torque on cover nuts was used	Tighten to the proper torque		
Float is frequently damaged	Water hammer occurs	Examine the piping for problems that can cause water hammer		

**NOTE:** when replacing parts with new, use the parts list for reference, and replace with parts from the Maintenance Kit or Repair Kit. Please note that replacement parts are only available as part of a replacement parts kit.

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