

#### **Standard Information**

Hydraulic vertical visual level indicators are used to monitor the fluid levels in hydraulic reservoirs. These indicators provide a clear and accurate visual display, helping operators maintain optimal fluid levels.

### **General Safety Precautions**

- System Depressurization: Always ensure the hydraulic system is fully depressurized before installing, inspecting, or servicing the vertical level indicator. Failure to do so may result in high-pressure fluid discharge.
- Use Proper PPE: Wear appropriate personal protective equipment (PPE), such as gloves, safety glasses, and protective clothing, to protect against fluid contact or injury from accidental leaks.
- Fluid Compatibility: Verify that the indicator is compatible with the specific type of hydraulic fluid used in your system (e.g., mineral oils, synthetic fluids). Use only manufacturer-approved components for installation and replacement.

## **Installation Safety**



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- Correct Mounting: Install the vertical level indicator in the designated mounting location on the reservoir. Ensure it is vertically aligned to provide accurate readings and prevent stress on the device.
- Seal Integrity: Use appropriate seals or gaskets during installation. Verify that seals are intact and correctly positioned to prevent leaks.
- Torque Guidelines: Follow the manufacturer's torque specifications when securing the indicator. Over-tightening can damage the indicator or reservoir, while undertightening may cause leaks.
- Transparent Window Protection: Ensure the viewing window (or tube) is free of cracks or scratches that could compromise its structural integrity or readability.

# **Operation Safety**

- Regular Fluid Checks: Use the vertical visual level indicator to routinely check fluid levels.
  Ensure the level stays within the operational range marked on the indicator.
- Clarity of Display: Keep the viewing area clean to ensure accurate readings. If the window becomes dirty or cloudy, clean it with a non-abrasive material and a suitable cleaning solution.
- Avoid Overfilling: Do not overfill the reservoir, as hydraulic fluid expansion during operation may cause spills or damage seals.
- Observe for Contamination: Watch for signs of contamination, such as discoloration, debris, or foam visible through the indicator, as these may indicate system issues requiring attention.



# **Maintenance Safety**

- Routine Inspection: Regularly inspect the level indicator for damage, leaks, or signs of wear. Replace any damaged components immediately.
- Cleanliness: Ensure the area around the indicator is clean before performing maintenance to prevent debris from entering the reservoir.
- Leak Repairs: If a leak is detected at the indicator mounting point, depressurize the system and check the seals or gaskets. Replace any worn or damaged parts as needed.
- Structural Check: Inspect the indicator housing and transparent viewing tube (if applicable) for cracks, corrosion, or other damage that could compromise safety or accuracy.
- Manufacturer-Approved Parts: Use only manufacturer-recommended replacement parts to ensure compatibility and maintain system integrity.

#### Emergency Procedures 🛕 CAUTION



- Spill Containment: Have spill kits readily available to address accidental fluid leaks or overflows.
- Fire Safety: Be aware of the hydraulic fluid's flammability. Keep fire extinguishers nearby, particularly in high-temperature environments.

# **Troubleshooting**

- Inaccurate Readings: If fluid levels are inaccurately displayed, check for blockages, air bubbles in the reservoir, or a misaligned indicator. Ensure the indicator is properly installed and functional.
- Leaking Indicator: If leaks occur around the indicator, inspect the seals and gaskets. Replace worn or damaged components as needed.
- Cloudy or Dirty Viewing Window: Clean the viewing window or tube to restore visibility. Avoid using harsh chemicals that might damage the material.
- Physical Damage: If the indicator is cracked, bent, or otherwise compromised, replace it immediately to avoid system malfunctions or safety risks.

#### Please note:

- Proper Fluid Disposal: Always dispose of used or contaminated hydraulic fluids according to local environmental regulations. Hydraulic fluid leaks should be contained and cleaned promptly to minimize environmental impact.
- Indicator Disposal: Discard damaged indicators following environmental guidelines, especially if they contain materials like polycarbonate, glass, or rubber that require special handling.
- Consult the manufacturer for any uncertainties or application-specific guidelines.

For additional information, contact Mintor or refer to the detailed technical manual.