



Hi {FIRST_NAME|Valued Customer},

We are well into the Spring Start-up season and hope you are enjoying the warmer weather and increase in business. This month there are 2 great newsletters full of useful tips, product information and savings. Check out the material in this week's issue and be on look out another great newsletter later this month.

Spotting the Differences - 3/4" -1" Watts 009 Series



"I'm trying to find the correct repair parts for a 3/4" Watts 009. I realize that there have been some changes to the 009 series and the parts for these do not interchange. This particular device is missing the identification tag. How can I find out which model of the 009 I have here?"

Mark: We get this question thrown at us a lot. The 3/4" – 2" 009 series assemblies have been updated or modified several times over the years. These modifications are also dependent on the size of the assembly and are indicated on the data plate IE: (M1, M2, M3). This can make finding the correct parts very interesting to say the least. If the data plate is unreadable or missing you'll have to rely on the physical features of the assembly to tell which device you have.



Doug: The original 3/4" & 1" 009 is easy to identify from its outward appearance. The first feature to look for is the cover. This cover has (4) bolts. It also has a vent screw on the cover, as well as a dust plug in the center of the





lid. The dust plug is round and resembles a wedge that is pushed down into the cover that allows air to escape as well as keeping debris out. If you are still unsure, you can take the cover off and look at the relief valve stem assembly, which is made of Brass. Some of the early models also used a Stainless Steel retainer that was later changed to a Black Plastic retainer. Looking for these features should help in identifying the original 3/4" and 1" 009.



Mark: The 3/4" size 009 was first modified to the 009M2 and is easy to distinguish from the original by its outward appearance. The 3/4" 009M2 has only (2) cover bolts. The cover is also tapped for the #2 test-cock, and has a dust plug in the center. Also the relief valve stem assembly is made of plastic. The 3/4" 009M2 was then modified to the 3/4" 009M3 but cannot be distinguished from the 009M2 from its outward appearance. The only difference between the 3/4" 009M2/M3 is the check valve modules. The 3/4" M2 uses a check module that resembles a barrel or canister that is white in color. And the 3/4" M3 uses a module that resembles a cage which is black in color.



Doug: The 1" 009 has currently been modified to the 1" 009M2. This device looks similar to the original 1" 009 being the same size, and also having (4) cover bolts. The difference is in the cover. The original 1" 009 has (4) bolts, a vent screw, and a dust plug in the cover, while the modified 1" 009M2 has (4) bolts, a vent screw, but does not have a dust plug in the cover. If you're still unsure you can take a look at the relief valve stem assembly. This one has a black plastic relief valve stem unlike the brass stem in the original 1" 009.



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