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VA-4233 Series Electric Valve Actuators

VA-4233 Series Electric Valve Actuators use a stepper motor to accurately position control valves in HVAC applications. In the event of a power failure, a spring in the actuator automatically returns the valve to the full stem-up position. These direct-mount, spring return electric actuators provide a minimum 61 lb (271 N) force output for floating, on/off, or proportional control. They can be easily field mounted or ordered factory coupled to Johnson Controls 1/2 through 1-1/4 in. VG7000 Series Bronze Control Valves, with no additional linkage required.

The VA-4233 Series can also be field mounted to select Invensys valves, using mounting kits available from Johnson Controls. Proportional control models include an AUTO stroke calibration feature that eliminates the need for manual calibration or adjustment after installation. Integral auxiliary switches are available for indicating end stop position or to perform switching functions. On proportional models, position feedback is also available through a proportional DC voltage signal. All models feature a hand crank for manual positioning of the valve, independent of a power supply.



Figure 1: VA-4233 Series Electric Valve Actuator (Shown Mounted on a VG7000 Series Bronze Control Valve)

	Features and Benefits		
	Designed for Use in Hot Water, Chilled Water, and Steam Applications	Allows for universal application	
	Automatic Spring Return	Returns the valve to the full stem-up position, in the event of a power failure	
	Simple No-Linkage Mounting (All Models) with AUTO Stroke Calibration at Installation (VA-4233-GGx Models Only)	Reduces installation time and cost	
	Reversible Stroke Direction (VA-4233-GGx Models Only)	Expands usability by allowing switch-selectable direct or reverse action	
	Optional Auxiliary Switches Available	Provides adjustable switch points with line voltage capability	
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Features and Benefits (Cont.)		
 0 (2) to 10 VDC, 6 to 9 VDC, or 0 (4) to 20 mA Input (VA-4233-GGx Models Only) 	Provides enhanced control solutions	
Optional Power Supply Output of 20 VDC at 25 mA (VA-4233-GGx-2MP Models Only)	Provides power for external devices, making the VA-4233-GGx-2MP an ideal replacement for Invensys retrofit installations	
Manual Hand Crank	Allows for manual positioning of the valve, independent of a power supply	
Integral Position Indicator	Provides visual indication of the valve stem position	
1/2 in. Conduit Connector with 48 in. Wire Leads	Meets national and local code requirements for wiring, and allows for easy field wiring on retrofit jobs	

Table 1: Actuator Models

Code Number	Description
VA-4233-AGA-2	Direct-Mount Electric Valve Actuator, Spring Return Up, Floating Control
VA-4233-AGC-2	Direct-Mount Electric Valve Actuator, Spring Return Up, Floating Control, with Two Auxiliary Switches
VA-4233-BGA-2	Direct-Mount Electric Valve Actuator, Spring Return Up, On/Off Control
VA-4233-BGC-2	Direct-Mount Electric Valve Actuator, Spring Return Up, On/Off Control, with Two Auxiliary Switches
VA-4233-GGA-2	Direct-Mount Electric Valve Actuator, Spring Return Up, Proportional Control
VA-4233-GGA-2MP	Direct-Mount Electric Valve Actuator, Spring Return Up, Proportional Control, with 20 VDC Output at 25 mA
VA-4233-GGC-2	Direct-Mount Electric Valve Actuator, Spring Return Up, Proportional Control, with Two Auxiliary Switches
VA-4233-GGC-2MP	Direct-Mount Electric Valve Actuator, Spring Return Up, Proportional Control, Two Auxiliary Switches, with 20 VDC Output at 25 mA

Table 2: Accessories (Order Separately)

Code Number	Description
M9000-200	Commissioning Tool
VG7000-1016	Bonnet Adaptor (Used when Replacing Johnson Controls M100, V-400, V-500, and MP8000 Series Valve Actuators on VG7000 Series Bronze Control Valves)
V-9999-BC1	Mounting Kit (Used when Mounting VA-4233 Series Electric Valve Actuators onto 1/2 through 1-1/4 in. Invensys VB-7xxx and VB-9xxx Series Valves)

Operation

IMPORTANT:	VA-4233 Series Electric Valve Actuators are intended to control valves under normal operating conditions. Where failure or malfunction of VA- 4233 Series Actuators could lead to an abnormal operating condition that could result in personal injury or damage to the equipment or other property, additional devices (limit or safety controls) or systems (alarm or supervisory) intended to warn of, or protect against, failure or malfunction of VA-4233 Series Actuators must be incorporated into and maintained as part of the control system.
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VA-4233-AGx Series Floating Electric Valve Actuators

VA-4233-AGx Series Floating Electric Valve Actuators operate on 24 VAC at 50/60 Hz or 24 VDC, and use a stepper motor with stall detection circuitry that operates throughout the entire actuator stroke. Application of a 24 VAC or VDC control signal between the Stem Up (white/brown) or Stem Down (brown) input and the Common terminal will drive the actuator in the indicated direction. Removal of the signal will hold the actuator in position. In the event of power failure, a spring in the actuator automatically returns the valve to the full stem-up position. Restoration of power will return the actuator and valve assembly to normal operation.

VA-4233-BGx Series On/Off Electric Valve Actuators

VA-4233-BGx Series On/Off Electric Valve Actuators operate on 24 VAC at 50/60 Hz or 24 VDC, and use a stepper motor with stall detection circuitry that operates throughout the entire actuator stroke. Application of a power signal will extend the actuator, driving the valve stem down to the end of travel and holding it in position. Removal of the power signal will cause a spring in the actuator to automatically return the valve to the full stem-up position.

VA-4233-GGx Series Proportional Electric Valve Actuators

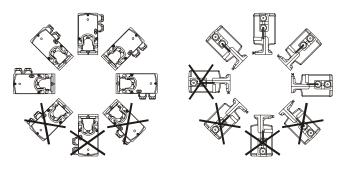
VA-4233-GGx Series Proportional Electric Valve Actuators operate on 24 VAC at 50/60 Hz or 24 VDC, and use a stepper motor with stall detection circuitry that operates throughout the entire actuator stroke. All models employ noise-filtering techniques on the control signal, in order to eliminate repositioning due to line noise.

VA-4233-GGx Series Actuators position the valve in response to a control signal, in a manner defined by the mode switch that is field selected: 0 to 10, 2 to 10, or 6 to 9 VDC, or 0 to 20 or 4 to 20 mA input signal. A built-in direct or reverse (DA/RA) switch allows selection of the required control action. These actuators feature an AUTO stroke calibration function that enables the actuator to scale the selected input signal and feedback proportionally across the actual valve stroke. Initial application of a power signal will drive the actuator and valve assembly to the full stem-up position and then the full stem-down position, and will store these positions in nonvolatile memory (retains data when power is lost or removed). The actuator will then drive to the position determined by the applied control signal.

If, during normal operation, the valve stroke increases due to disk or seat wear, the actuator will automatically calibrate to the increased stroke range. While AUTO stroke calibrating, the valve control function could be lost for up to three minutes. If this temporary loss of control function will result in system control problems during start-up, the actuator should be mounted to the valve and have electric power supplied to it prior to start-up. Doing so will allow the actuator to AUTO stroke calibrate itself. The Johnson Controls M9000-200 Commissioning Tool (ordered separately) is a convenient method for applying power to the actuator prior to start-up.

The actuator will AUTO stroke calibrate only once upon initial power application. Certain conditions, such as removal of the actuator from the valve, will require cancellation of the stored memory in order for the actuator to adjust to its new position once it is remounted on the valve. Refer to the literature included with the actuator for step-by-step instructions on how to cancel the stored memory.

Mounting



Face View

Side View

Figure 2: Mounting Positions for Chilled Water Applications and Condensing Atmospheres

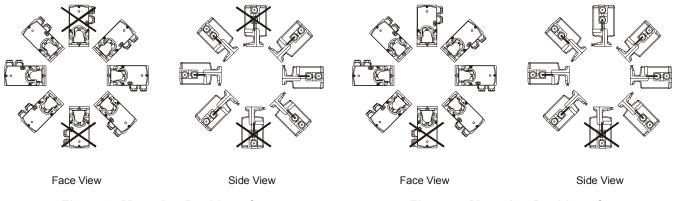
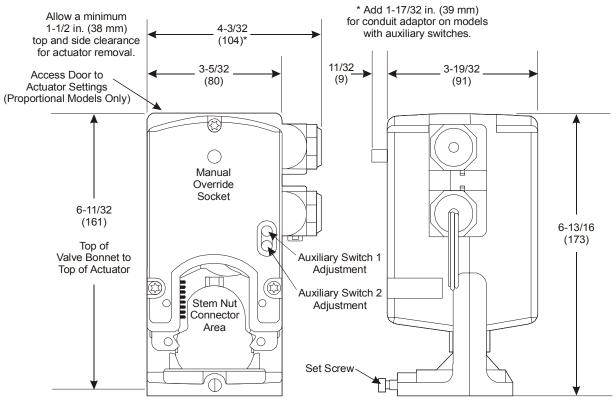


Figure 3: Mounting Positions for Steam Applications

Figure 4: Mounting Positions for Hot Water Applications



Face View

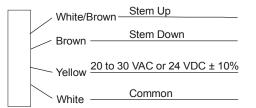
Side View

Figure 5: Actuator Dimensions, in. (mm)

Table 3: Repair Parts

Code Number	Description
VA-4233-600	Manual Hand Crank (Includes Five Manual Hand Cranks)
VA-4233-601*	Hardware Kit (Includes One Manual Hand Crank, One Special Stem Nut, One Jam Nut, and One Yoke Screw)

* Items included in the hardware kit are also included with each actuator.





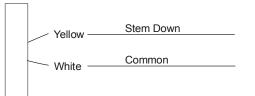
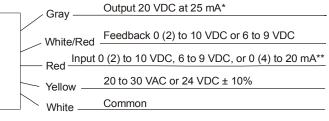


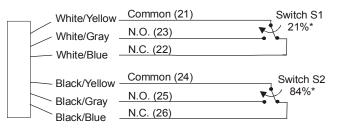
Figure 7: VA-4233-BGx Wiring Diagram for On/Off Control



* Available on VA-4233-GGx-2MP models only.

** The control inputs shown will move the valve stem down as the control input increases, with the DA/RA switch in the DA mode.

Figure 8: VA-4233-GGx Wiring Diagram for Proportional Control



* Refers to a full actuator stroke of 29/32 in. (23 mm). Switches are readjustable to all applicable Johnson Controls stroke ranges.



Technical Data

Product		VA-4233 Series Electric Valve Actuators
Models		Refer to Table 1.
Control Type	VA-4233-AGx Models	Floating Control
	VA-4233-BGx Models	On/Off Control
	VA-4233-GGx Models	Proportional Control
Force Output		Minimum 61 lb (271 N)
Power Requirements		20 to 30 VAC at 50/60 Hz or 24 VDC <u>+</u> 10%; Class 2, 12 VA
Input Signal	VA-4233-AGx Models	20 to 30 VAC at 50/60 Hz or 24 VDC <u>+</u> 10%, 2 mA
	VA-4233-BGx Models	20 to 30 VAC at 50/60 Hz or 24 VDC <u>+</u> 10%, 12 VA
	VA-4233-GGx Models	0 (2) to 10 VDC, 6 to 9 VDC, or 0 (4) to 20 mA
Input Signal Adjustments (VA-4233-GGx Models Only)		Factory Set at 0 to 10 VDC; Switch Selectable 0 (2) to 10 VDC, 6 to 9 VDC, or 0 (4) to 20 mA
Direction of Action (VA-4233-GGx Models Only)		Factory Set to Move in Stem-Down Direction with Increasing Input Signal (Direct Acting); Switch Selectable Stem-Up or Stem-Down
Input Impedance	Voltage Input	200,000 Ohms
(VA-4233-GGx Models Only)	Current Input	500 Ohms
Feedback Signal (VA-4233-GGx Models Only)		0 to 10 VDC, 2 to 10 VDC, or 6 to 9 VDC at 2 mA (Corresponding to Input Signal Selection)
Switch Contact Rating (VA-4233-xGC-2 and		Two Single-Pole, Double-Throw (SPDT), Double Insulated Switches:
-2MP Models Only)		24 VAC, 50 VA Pilot Duty; 120 VAC, 5.8 A Resistive, 1/4 hp, 275 VA Pilot Duty; 240 VAC, 2.9 A Resistive, 1/4 hp, 275 VA Pilot Duty
Maximum Stroke		29/32 in. (23 mm)
Nominal Timing for 29/32 in. Stroke		76 Seconds (Proportionally Less for Shorter Strokes)
Nominal Spring Return Timing for 29/32 in. Stroke		3 to 15 Seconds at Room Temperature and No Load (Proportionally Less for Shorter Strokes)
Spring Return Direction		Stem Up
Electrical Connections	Actuator	48 in. (122 cm) Cable with 20 AWG Wire Leads
	Auxiliary Switches (VA-4233-xGC-2 and -xGC-2MP Models Only)	48 in. (122 cm) Cable with 18 AWG Wire Leads
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Technical Data (Cont.)

Ambient	Operating	32 to 122°F (0 to 50°C)
Temperature Limits	Storage	-85 to 185°F (-65 to 85°C)
Maximum Ambient Humidity Limits		90% RH Non-Condensing at 70°F (21°C) Ambient Temperature and 40°F (4°C) Fluid Temperature
Fluid Temperature Limits (Actuator and Valve Assembly)		35 to 250°F (2 to 121°C); 15 psig (103 kPa) Saturated Steam
Acoustic Noise		35 dB(A) Maximum at 39 in. (100 cm) per DIN 1946 and ISO 3745
Agency Compliance	All Models	UL 873 Listed, File E27734, CCN XAPX; CSA C22.2 No. 139 Certified, File LR85083, Class 3221 02; CE Mark, EMC Directive 89/336/EEC
	VA-4233-xGC Models Only	Low Voltage Directive 73/23/EEC
Enclosure Rating		NEMA 2, IP 42
Shipping Weight		3.1 lb (1.4 kg)

The performance specifications are nominal and conform to acceptable industry standards. For application at conditions beyond these specifications, consult the local Johnson Controls office. Johnson Controls, Inc. shall not be liable for damages resulting from misapplication or misuse of its products.



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