

# Series 38VB/AR Vacuum Breaker / Air Release

## Vacuum Breaker / Air Release Valves for Water Applications

# Hooded Screened Outlet Standard "Drip Tight" Metal to Buna-N® Seating Flanged Style 125 Lb & 250 Lb. Class 4" Thru 36" Size

### Vacuum Prevention And Slow Air Release For Pressure Surge Control

Cla-Val Vacuum Breakers are reliable and economical pipeline surge control components, requiring no regular maintenance.

Standard valves are designed to open with minimal (1/4 psi) pressure differential across the orifice. Higher or lower relief settings are available.

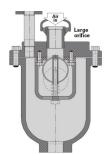
The Vacuum Breaker Valve (Large orifice combined with Air Release Valve (small orifice) are normally closed. But when installed at points where water column separation can occur, both orifices open admitting air into pipeline, then instantly close to trap air and thereby cushioning rejoining of the water column. In this manner severe pressure surge/water hammer is prevented as the system returns to normal operation.

Simultaneously the small orifice Air Release Valve opened due to vacuum and stays open venting the discharge of trapped air from pipeline slowly until gradual normal pipeline pressure is achieved. Various small orifice are available. See small orifice chart.

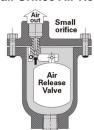
Water column separation in a pipeline may create high levels of vacuum only momentarily, but severe damage, such as a pipeline rupture can occur when the water column rejoins. Also momentarily vacuum conditions can easily cause a thin wall pipeline or sealed water tank to collapse due to vacuum when draining fluid. Metal to Buna-N® insures "drop tight" seal at any pressure. For these reasons it is sound engineering practice to use Cla-Val Vacuum Breaker Air Release Valves to prevent water column separation in pipelines and collapse of tanks.

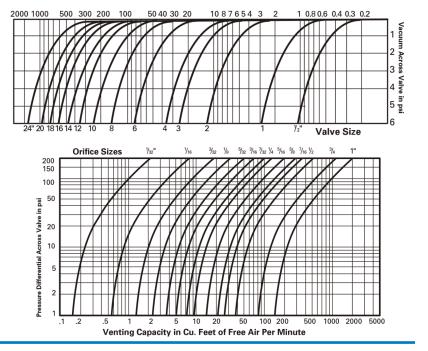
#### Air Inflow through Valve in Standard Cubic Feet of Free Air/Second (scfs)

Inflow: Large Orifice Air Inlet/Vacuum Valves



**Outflow: Small Orifice Air Release Valves** 



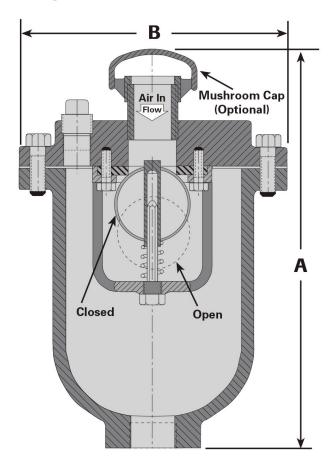




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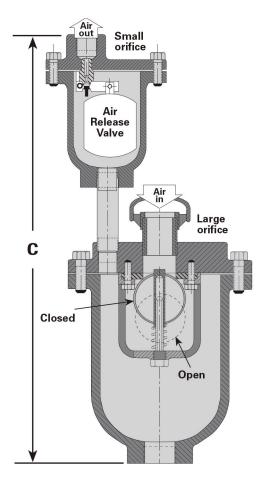
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#### **Sizing**



#### **Dimensions**

Valve Size and Orifice (inches)	Model	A	В	С
0.5	380VBT	12.5"	5"	
1	381VBT	14"	7"	20"
2	2 382VBT		9.5"	23"
3 383VBT		20"	9.5"	26"



#### **Orifice Selection Chart**

Pressure I	Air Release			
0 - 150	0 - 300	Valve		
.094"	.063"	34AR116		

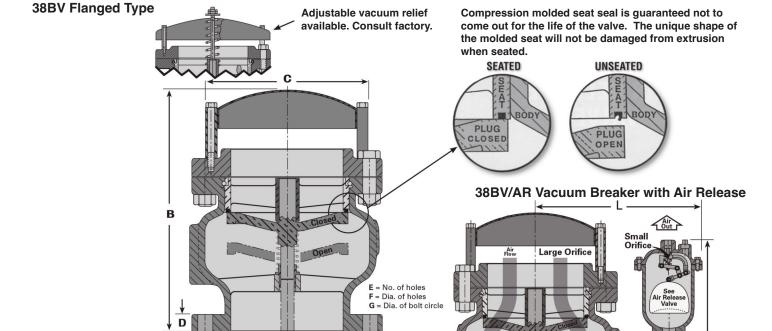
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Siz	ze	3"	4"	5"	6"	8"	10"	12"	14"	16"	18"	20"	24"	30"	36"
Model		383VB	384VB	385VB	386VB	388VB	3810VB	3812BV	3814VB	3816VB	3818VB	3820VB	3824VB	3830VB	3836VB
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	А	7.5"	9"	10"	11"	13.5"	16"	19"	21"	23.5"	25"	27.5"	32"	38.75"	46"
	В	11"	12.5"	13.5"	14"	15.75"	18"	20.75"	23"	27.5"	28.5"	30.5"	36"	43.3135"	57"
Class	С	6"	7"	10"	10"	12"	16"	18"	18"	18"	24"	28"	32"	38"	44"
# Cla	D	1.313"	1.313"	1.313"	1"	1.125"	1.188"	1.25"	1.375"	1.438"	1.563"	1.688"	1.875"	2.125"	2.375"
125#	Е	4"	8"	8"	8"	8"	12"	12"	12"	16"	16"	20"	20"	28"	32"
	F	.75"	.75"	.875"	.875"	.875"	1"	1"	1.125"	1.125"	1.25"	1.25"	1.375"	1.375"	1.625"
	G	6"	7.5"	8.5"	9.5"	11.75"	14.25"	17"	18.75"	21.25"	22.75"	25"	29.5"	36	42.75"
К	34AR	12.25"	14.25"	15"	15.25"	17.25"	19.25"	20.75"	22"	23.75"	24.5"	26.25"	29"	32.75"	37"
L	34AR	14.75"	15.5"	16"	16.25"	16.25"	17.75"	19"	19.5"	20.75"	21.25"	22.25"	23.75"	26.5"	34.25"



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Pressure I	Air Release			
0 - 150	0 - 300	Valve		
.094"	.063"	34AR116		
.188"	.156"	34AR316		
.375"	.219"	34AR316		

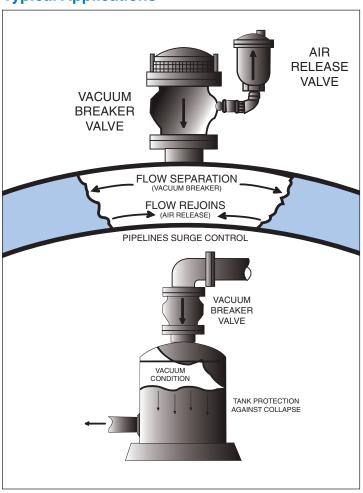
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#### **Typical Applications**



#### Other typical applications include:

- 1. Centrifugal pumps
- 2. Hydropneumatic tanks
- Enclosed systems
- 4. Sewage lines

#### When Ordering, Please Specify:

- 1. Model Number
- 2. Inlet Size (NPT)
- 3. Inlet Pressure Rating
- 4. Orifice Size

#### **Materials of Construction**

Description	Material	Specification		
Body and Cover	Ductile Iron	ASTM A 536 GR 65-45-12		
Baffle 1/2", 1"and 2"	Delrin	ASTM D4181		
Baffle 3"	Cast Iron	ASTM A48 CI. 30		
Plug and Seat	Lead-Compliant Bronze	ASTM B584		
Plug - 30" and 36"	Ductile Iron	ASTM A536 65-45-12		
Exterior Paint	Universal Metal Primer	FDA Approved for Potable Water		
Float	Stainless Steel	ASTM A240		
Seat Needle	Buna-N	Nitrile rubber		
Spring	Stainless Steel	ASTM A276		
Hood	Galvanized Iron or Steel	Commercial Grade		
Lever Mechanism	Stainless Steel	ASTM A351 T316		