

Capacity regulators, type CPCE and LG

Introduction



CPCE capacity regulators adapt compressor capacity to actual evaporator load. They are designed for installation in a bypass line between the low and high pressure sides of

the refrigeration system, for hot gas injection between evaporator and thermostatic expansion valve. Injection should be arranged to occur through an LG liquid-gas mixer.

Features

CPCE capacity regulator

- Superior control accuracy
- Direct connection to system suction line regulates hot gas injection independent of evaporator pressure drop
- The regulator increases evaporator gas velocity thus ensuring better oil return to compressor
- Protection against too low an evaporating temperature, i.e. avoids evaporator icing
- Can be used for CFC, HCFC and HFC

LG Liquid-gas mixer

- LG provides homogenous mixing of the liquid and hot gas refrigerant injected into the evaporator
- Avoids high suction superheats by combining hot gas injection with expansion valve characteristics.
- LG can be used for hot gas defrosting or reverse cycle systems

Technical data

Refrigerants
CFC, HCFC and HFC

Regulation range
 $p_e = 0 \rightarrow 6$ bar
Factory setting = 0.4 bar

Max. working pressure
PS = 28 bar

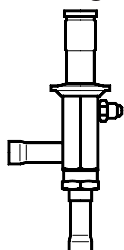
Max. differential pressure
 $\Delta p = 18$ bar

Max. test pressure
 $p' = 31.5$ bar

Max. media temperature
140°C

Min. media temperature
-50°C

Ordering



Capacity regulator

Type	Connection				Rated capacity ¹⁾ kW				Code no.
	Flare		Solder		R22	R134a	R404A/R507	R407C	
	in.	mm	in.	mm					
CPCE 12	1/2	12			17.4	7.9	16.4	19.0	034N0081
CPCE 12			1/2	12	17.4	7.9	16.4	19.0	034N0082
CPCE 15			5/8	16	25.6	11.6	24.2	27.9	034N0083
CPCE 22			7/8	22	34.0	15.2	32.0	37.1	034N0084

¹⁾ The rated capacity is the regulator capacity at evaporating temperature $t_e = -10^\circ\text{C}$, condensing temperature $t_c = +30^\circ\text{C}$, reduction of suction temperature / suction pressure $\Delta t_s = 4\text{ K}$.



Liquid-gas mixer

Type	Connection						Code no.
	Expansion valve ODM		Hot gas ODF		Liquid distributor ODF		
	in.	mm	in.	mm	in.	mm	
LG 12-16	5/8	16	1/2	12	5/8	16	069G4001
LG 12-22	7/8	22	1/2	12	7/8	22	069G4002
LG 16-28	1 1/8	28	5/8	16	1 1/8	28	069G4003
LG 22-35	1 3/8	35	7/8	22	1 3/8	35	069G4004

Sizing

For optimum performance, it is important to select a CPCE valve according to system conditions and application. The following data must be used when sizing a CPCE valve:

- Refrigerant: CFC, HCFC or HFC
- Minimum suction temperature t_s in $^\circ\text{C}/\text{bar}$
- Compressor capacity at minimum suction temperature Q_1 in kW
- Evaporator load at minimum suction temperature Q_2 in kW
- Liquid temperature ahead of expansion valve, t_l ($^\circ\text{C}$)
- Reduction of suction temperature / suction pressure in K
- Connection type flare or solder
- Connection size in in. or mm

Selection

Example

When selecting the appropriate valve it may be necessary to convert the actual capacity using a correction factor. This is required when system conditions are different from table conditions. The following examples illustrate how this is done.

Refrigerant: R404A
Minimum suction temperature $t_s = -30^\circ\text{C}$
Compressor capacity at -30°C , $Q_1 = 80\text{ kW}$
Evaporator load at -30°C , $Q_2 = 60\text{ kW}$
Liquid temperature ahead of expansion valve, $t_l = 40^\circ\text{C}$
Reduction of suction temperature / suction pressure = 5 K
Connection type: solder
Connection size = $1/2\text{ in.}$

Step 1

Determine the replacement capacity. This is done by taking the compressor capacity at minimum suction temperature Q_1 minus evaporator load at minimum suction temperature Q_2 .
 $Q_1 - Q_2 = 80 - 60 = 20\text{ kW}$

Selection
(continued)

Determine the correction factor for the reduction of suction temperature / suction pressure.

From the correction factor table (see below) a suction temperature reduction of 5K (R404A) corresponds to a factor of 1.3.

Step 2
Correction factors

Suction temp. t_s after reduction °C	Refrigerant	Suction temperature Δt_s K						
		1	2	3	4	5	6	7
10	R134a	0.1	0.5	0.9	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0
	R22, R404A, R507, R407C	0.3	0.9	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0
0	R134a	0.1	0.3	0.7	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0
	R22, R404A, R507, R407C	0.2	0.9	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0
-10	R134a	0.1	0.3	0.6	1.0	1.3	1.4	1.4
	R22, R404A, R507, R407C	0.1	0.5	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0
-20	R134a	0.1	0.3	0.6	1.0	1.5	2.2	2.4
	R22, R404A, R507, R407C	0.1	0.3	0.7	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0
-30	R134a	0.1	0.3	0.6	1.0	1.5	2.2	2.9
	R22, R404A, R507, R407C	0.1	0.3	0.6	1.0	1.3	1.4	1.4
-40	R22, R404A, R507, R407C	0.1	0.3	0.6	1.0	1.5	2.0	2.2

The correction table is used when suction temperature change deviates from 4 K.

The replacement capacity must be divided by the correction factor determined.

Step 3

Corrected replacement capacity is
 $Q = 20/1.3 = 15.4 \text{ kW}$

Step 4

Now select the appropriate capacity table for R404A and choose the column with a suction temperature of $t_s = -30^\circ\text{C}$.
 Using the corrected replacement capacity, select a valve that provides an equivalent or greater capacity.

A CPCE 12 delivers a replacement capacity of 17.9 kW at a minimum suction temperature of -30°C .

Step 5

CPCE 12, ½ in. solder connection,
code no. 034N0082 (see Ordering).

Capacity

Type	Suction temperature t_s after pressure/temperature reduction °C	Regulator capacity Q kW at condensing temperature t_c °C				
		+20	+30	+40	+50	+60

R22

CPCE 12	+10	7.9	16.3	21.6	26.9	33.4
	0	12.9	17.3	21.7	27.1	
	-10	13.6	17.4	22.0	27.4	
	-20	13.7	17.6	22.2	27.7	
	-30	8.0	11.0	14.7	18.6	
	-40	4.3	5.7	7.6		
CPCE 15	+10	11.5	24.0	31.7	39.4	49.0
	0	18.8	25.4	32.0	39.9	
	-10	20.0	25.6	32.3	40.2	
	-20	20.1	25.8	32.6	40.7	
	-30	11.5	16.0	21.2	27.1	
	-40	5.9	7.8	10.6		
CPCE 22	+10	15.2	31.7	42.0	52.3	64.9
	0	25.0	33.6	42.4	52.8	
	-10	26.5	34.0	42.8	53.4	
	-20	26.6	34.2	43.1	53.8	
	-30	15.4	21.3	28.1	35.9	
	-40	8.0	10.7	14.3		

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The capacities are made up of the CPCE hot gas capacity + the extra capacity given by the thermostatic expansion valve to maintain the superheat after of the evaporator constant.

Capacity (continued)

Type	Suction temperature t_s after pressure/temperature reduction °C	Regulator capacity Q kW at condensing temperature t_c °C				
		+20	+30	+40	+50	+60

R134a

CPCE 12	+10	2.3	10.4	14.4	18.0	22.6
	0	7.8	11.3	14.4	18.1	22.6
	-10	5.8	7.9	10.8	14.4	18.1
	-20	3.4	4.6	6.1	8.3	10.6
	-30	2.0	2.8	3.7	4.9	6.2
CPCE 15	+10	2.3	15.2	21.1	26.5	33.2
	0	11.4	16.6	21.2	26.6	33.2
	-10	8.3	11.6	15.7	21.1	26.6
	-20	4.8	6.6	8.8	11.9	15.2
	-30	2.6	3.5	4.9	6.4	8.0
CPCE 22	+10	3.1	20.4	28.0	35.2	43.9
	0	15.1	22.8	28.1	35.2	43.9
	-10	10.9	15.2	20.9	27.7	35.2
	-20	6.4	8.8	11.8	15.7	20.3
	-30	3.7	5.0	6.8	8.9	11.3

R404A/R507

CPCE 12	+10	7.5	15.5	20.6	25.7	31.1
	0	12.2	16.4	20.6	25.7	
	-10	12.9	16.4	20.7	25.7	
	-20	13.1	16.4	20.7		
	-30	10.3	13.8	17.9		
CPCE 15	+10	11.0	22.8	30.3	37.8	46.9
	0	18.0	24.2	30.3	37.8	
	-10	19.1	24.2	30.4	37.8	
	-20	19.1	24.3	30.4		
	-30	15.0	20.3	26.5		
CPCE 22	+10	14.6	30.2	40.1	49.9	62.3
	0	23.8	32.0	40.1	49.9	
	-10	25.3	32.0	40.1	50.0	
	-20	25.3	32.1	40.2		
	-30	19.9	26.7	34.8		
CPCE 22	+10	10.6	14.2	18.0		
	0					
	-10					
	-20					
	-30					

R407C

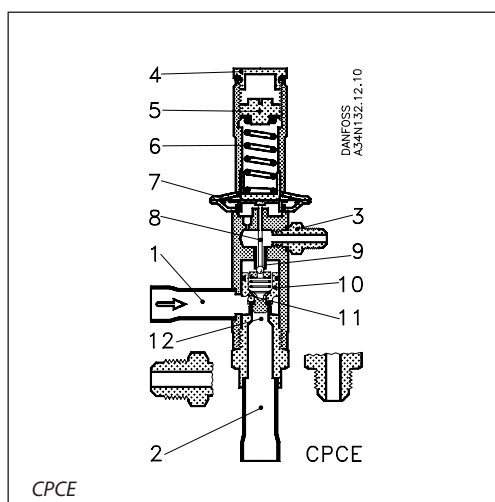
CPCE 12	+10	9.7	18.3	23.5	28.2	33.4
	0	14.4	19.0	23.2	27.9	
	-10	15.1	19.0	23.3	27.4	
	-20	15.1	18.8	23.1	27.4	
	-30	8.7	11.7	15.0	18.0	
CPCE 15	+10	4.6	5.9	7.6		
	0	14.1	26.9	34.6	41.4	
	-10	21.1	27.9	34.2	41.1	
	-20	22.2	27.9	34.2	40.2	
	-30	22.1	27.6	33.9	40.3	
CPCE 22	+10	12.5	17.0	21.6	26.3	49.0
	0	6.3	8.1	10.6		
	-10	18.7	35.5	45.8	54.9	
	0	28.0	37.0	45.4	54.4	
	-10	29.4	37.1	45.4	53.4	
CPCE 22	+10	29.3	36.6	44.8	53.3	64.9
	0	16.8	22.6	28.7	34.8	
	-10	8.6	11.1	14.3		
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	-30					

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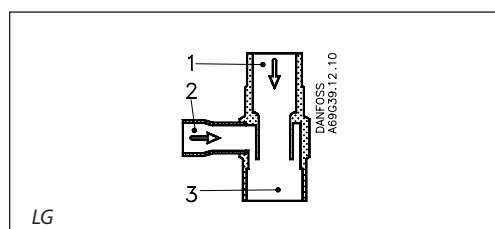
Design Function

1. Inlet
2. Outlet
3. Pilot pressure connection
4. Protective cap
5. Setting screw
6. Main spring
7. Diaphragm
8. Pressure pin
9. Pilot orifice
10. Servo piston
11. Pressure equalising hole
12. Main orifice

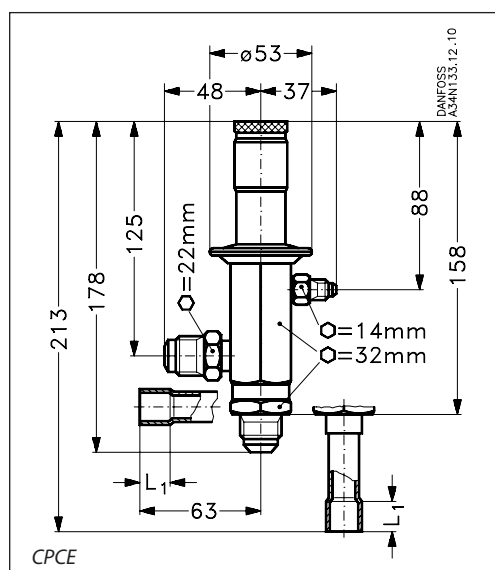


Capacity regulator CPCE is servo-operated. The diaphragm (7) is actuated on the upper side by the force developed by the spring (6) and on the lower side by the pilot pressure from (3). When the pilot pressure drops below the preset value, the throttling ball is forced away from the pilot orifice (9) by the spring which acts via the pressure pin (8). The pressure over the servo piston (10) is then relieved. The differential pressure which is thus created moves the servo piston up and causes the regulator to open so that hot gas is able to flow to the suction side. When the pilot pressure rises above the setting, the pilot orifice shuts off the evacuation from the space over the servo piston. Pressure then builds up again over the piston via the pressure equalising hole (11), thus closing the regulator.

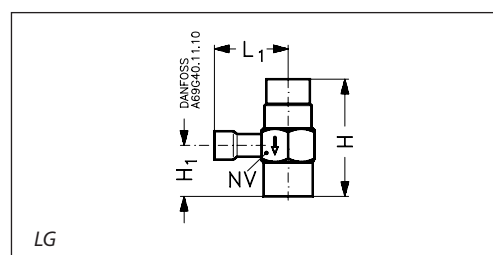
1. Liquid inlet
2. Hot gas inlet
3. Outlet



Dimensions and weights



Type	L ₁ mm	Weight kg
CPCE 12	10	0.9
CPCE 15	12	0.9
CPCE 22	17	0.9



Type	H mm	H ₁ mm	L ₁ mm	NV mm	Weight kg
LG 12-16	54	22	40	24	0.1
LG 12-22	62	26	42	28	0.2
LG 16-28	79	35	48	36	0.3
LG 22-35	89	40	66	41	0.4

