Installation, Operation and Maintenance Instructions

MAGNETIC HUMPS AND ROUND PIPE SEPARATORS

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Introduction

This manual applies to Eriez’ Magnetic Humps and Round Pipe Separators.

A careful reading of these Installation, Operation and Maintenance Instructions will assure the most efficient and dependable performance.

If there are any questions or comments about the manual, please call Eriez Manufacturing at 814/835-6000 for assistance.

⚠️ CAUTION - STRONG MAGNET

This equipment includes one or more extremely powerful magnetic circuits. The magnetic field may be much stronger than the Earth’s background field at a distance several times the largest dimension of the equipment.

- If you use a heart pacemaker of similar device you must never approach the equipment because your device may malfunction in the magnetic field, with consequences up to and including death.

- To avoid serious pinch-type injuries caused by objects attracted to the magnet, keep all steel and iron objects well away from the equipment. Do not allow hands, fingers, and other body parts to be caught between the equipment and “workpiece” being lifted.

- Keep credit cards, computer disks, and other magnetic storage devices away from the equipment because magnetically stored information may be corrupted by the magnetic field.

- Keep electronic devices, such as computers or monitors, away from the equipment because exposure to the magnetic field may result in malfunction or permanent damage to such devices.

Contact Eriez if you have a question regarding these precautions.

⚠️ CAUTION

Safety labels must be affixed to this product. Should the safety label(s) be damaged, dislodged or removed, contact Eriez for replacement.
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Description

MAGNETIC HUMPS
Eriez Magnetic Humps consist of two permanent magnets mounted in a rectangular fabricated housing. The housing is “dog-legged” on two sides at 45° from a flat plane. Each leg contains a magnet hinged and latched to the housing, one on the upstream side and one on the downstream side. The rectangular ends of the Hump are flanged for mounting to pneumatic lines or gravity flow chutes. Adapters can be provided by Eriez or others for mounting to round pipe or other shaped outlets. Adapter ends can also be supplied with pipe flange mountings.

ROUND PIPE SEPARATORS
Eriez Round Pipe Separators are designed for the simple and economical installation of permanent magnet tramp iron separators in round gravity flow chutes. The unit consists of a magnet hinged and latched to a rectangular fabricated housing which is adapted at both inlet and outlet to a particular pipe size. Flanged pipe ends can be supplied.

In addition to standard Round Pipe Separators, dust-tight units are available where product confinement within the separator is important. For air pressure applications, special construction is provided.

Auto ETC Round Pipe Separators
Another option is the Auto ETC Round Pipe Separators. Air cylinders are mounted to the housing. When activated, the air cylinders move the magnet and stripper plate away from the housing allowing the tramp metal to discharge.
Installation

MAGNETIC HUMPS

Standard pneumatic Humps should be installed on the suction side of the blower. For installation on the pressure side of the blower, where air pressure is above atmospheric, special construction and mounting is available.

The Hump is installed by bolting the flanged ends of the inlet and outlet to the existing line or chute.

The Hump must be installed so that the magnet on the upstream leg of the Hump is facing the material flow. This directs the material being conveyed directly against the working face of both the magnets.

Three typical types of installation, with the direction of material flow indicated, are shown below.
Installation (cont.)

ROUND PIPE SEPARATORS
The Round Pipe Separator is installed by cutting out a section of the conveying chute or pipe where magnetic protection is required and slipping the Separator into position. The Separator must be installed with the magnet at the bottom of the housing and with the material flow directed into the end of the Separator containing the neoprene deflector. This deflector automatically directs the material being conveyed onto the magnet face. The drawing below illustrates this installation.

The magnets are hinged and latched to the housing for easy cleaning. To clean, unlatch the magnet, which will then swing away from the housing. Simply scrape or brush the accumulated iron from the magnet face, push the magnet back against the housing and close the latch.

ROUND PIPE SEPARATORS
There are no moving parts in an Eriez Round Pipe Separator. The magnet is the only “working” component. As material flows over the magnet, the powerful magnetic field reaches out to attract and hold ferrous contaminants.

The only maintenance required is periodic cleaning of the magnet face. This cleaning is absolutely essential. Overloading the magnet with entrapped ferrous material will impair its efficiency and permit the passage of tramp iron. Frequency of cleaning is determined by the amount of ferrous contamination removed from the material by the magnet.

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AUTO ETC ROUND PIPE SEPARATORS
After carefully uncrating the unit, notice that there are two sections, the unit itself and the control panel. Two pneumatic hoses should connect them. The hoses were used to test the unit at our facility and can be used as-is or new hoses or piping can be used to locate the panel further from the unit.

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The pressure regulator is pre-set at the factory to cycle the air cylinders smoothly. Adjust the air pressure based on your product and cycling load. A smooth, steady cycle is better than one that slams the drawer in each direction.

Operation & Maintenance

MAGNETIC HUMPS
There are no moving parts in an Eriez Magnetic Hump. The magnets themselves are the only “working” components. As material flows past the magnets, the powerful magnetic field reaches out to attract and hold ferrous contaminants.

The only maintenance required is periodic cleaning of the magnet face. This cleaning is absolutely essential. Overloading the magnet with entrapped ferrous material will impair its efficiency and permit the passage of tramp iron. Frequency of cleaning is determined by the amount of ferrous contamination removed from the material by the magnets.
The processing steps are as follows:

1. Product flow with contaminants (2-3 hours to start).
2. Ferrous material collect on the hinged stripper plate.
3. Product shut off before cleaning cycle.

The magnet is hinged and latched to the housing for easy cleaning. To clean, activate the air cylinders to move magnet and stripper plate away from the housing. The stripper will stop halfway through the magnet travel allowing the debris to discharge. Activate manual valve to return magnet and stripper plate to housing.

Each individual user can determine the cleaning cycle frequency. The factors that determine the time between cycles are the amount of ferrous contamination in the product and how magnetic the contamination is (how well it will be held by the magnet). The cleaner the magnet surface, the more efficient the magnet will be.

Between batch operations is an ideal time to clean the magnet. Connecting the control in conjunction with the shut off valve or other device upstream is ideal.

**CYCLE TIME ADJUSTMENT**

Contamination levels or convenient cycling times can also determine cleaning cycles.

For example:

- Very light contamination – 8 hours (each shift)
- Average contamination – 2-3 hours
- Heavy contamination – 30-60 minutes

**AIR SUPPLY AND CONNECTIONS**

A 60 to 80 psi air supply is required to the 3/8 NPT port connection at the filter regulator.

Connect 3/8 tubing from the solenoid valve to the right angle connectors on the product housing.

**ELECTRICAL CONTROL TO SOLENOID VALVE**

(Option for NEMA12 push button station.)

This is a double solenoid valve, 120/60VAC.

A signal is required to each solenoid in turn to “spool” the valve in each direction. The solenoid requires a momentary signal and should not be continuously energized.

A certified electrician should complete this correction. The following is the push button control schematic:
Repair & Alteration

Alteration or disassembly of the Round Pipe Separator or Magnetic Hump would disturb a carefully engineered magnetic circuit which could only be restored by returning the unit to our factory for rebuilding and recharging.

Repair, alteration or disassembly of this magnetic equipment in the field without written authorization and instructions by Eriez Manufacturing Company nullifies the responsibility and guarantee of the manufacturer.

Warning

Each plate magnet in the housing consists of a number of powerful magnetic castings contained within the enclosure. If your product is abrasive to the point of wearing through the nonmagnetic face plate, magnet material may enter the product stream. This exposure could be harmful to the quality of your product. When cleaning the magnet, check for signs of excessive surface wear.

Factors That Affect Magnet Performance

1. High Temperature
   Standard rare earth circuits should not be subjected to temperatures in excess of 150°F (65°C). Special circuits are available for higher temperatures.

2. Direct Current
   Welding equipment should not be used on or in close proximity to Eriez Permanent magnet circuits. Demagnetization can result from this.

3. Moisture
   The raw magnet material should not be exposed to liquids. This would normally only result from breaching the magnet enclosure.

4. Physical Abuse
   The magnet material inside the separator is brittle and when subjected to repeated abuse will breakdown over time and fail. Do not slam the magnet repeatedly against a hard surface or hit with a hammer or other tool.