



FULL FLOW BALL VALVES: MADRID

078 Madrid ball valve, full flow

INSTALLATION

The Itap S.p.A.'s valves are bi-directional, that means they manage the flow in both the directions.

The valves are composed by a ball, two seal in PTFE material, one stem, two sailing rings (O-Rings), one handle and a couple of parts made of brass (body and end adapter) that contain them and that are assembled by means of thread and a sealed material to obtain their aim.

In order to avoid that the sealed material gets broken and then the valve loses the connection between the body and the end-adaptor, it's necessary to avoid to submit the two parts under the influence of a torque.

For the installation normal hydraulic practices must be used, and especially:

- ones have to be sure that the two pipes are correctly aligned;
- during the assembling process the installer has to apply its assembling tools at the end that is nearest to the pipe;
- the application of the sealing materials by the fitter (PTFE or hempen cloth) must be limited at the thread zone. An excess should interfere in the ball-gasket's closure zone, compromising the tightness.
- in the case that the fluid transported presents some impurities (dust, water too hard, etc.) ones have to remove these impurities by the means of a filter. Otherwise they could damage the seals.

DISASSEMBLY

To remove the valve from the pipe line or anyhow before to unscrew the junctions linked to it:

- wear the clothing protective normally required to work with the fluid transported within the line;
- depressurize the line and operate in this way:
 - positioning the valve in opened position and then empty the line;
 - handle the valve to put down the residue pressure contained inside the space between the ball and the body before of remove it from the line;
- during the disassembly apply the screw tool at the end of the valve nearest the pipe;

MAINTENANCE

Verify the valve periodically, according to its application's field and its works' field and its work's conditions, in order to be sure that the valve works correctly.