



Operation Manual

Air Saver Unit

ASC/ASO500 Series

Thank you for your choice of Kuroda Pneumatics LTDs' product on this time. Please read this operation manual carefully and use the product correctly. Keep this operation manual in case that questions arise about this product in the future. If this operation manual becomes unreadable or parts of the unit are missing, consult our distributors or Kuroda Pneumatics Ltd. sales offices.

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For Safety Use

Be sure to read the following instructions before use.

The following safety precautions are provided to prevent damage and injury to personnel and to provide instructions on the correct usage of this product. These precautions are classified into 3 categories: "CAUTION", "WARNING" and "DANGER" according to the degree of possible injury or damage and the degree of impendence of such injury or damage. Be sure to comply with all precautions along with JIS B 8370(*1) and ISO 4414(*2), as they include important content regarding safety.

 Danger :	Indicates an impending hazardous situation which may arise due to improper handling or operation and could result in serious personal injury or death.
 Warning :	Indicates a potentially hazardous situation which may arise due to improper handling or operation and could result in serious personal injury or death.
 Caution :	Indicates a potentially hazardous situation which may arise due to improper handling or operation and could result in personal injury or property-damage-only accidents.

*1 JIS B8370 : General Rules for Pneumatic Systems

*2 ISO 4414 : Pneumatic fluid power-General rules relating to systems.



Warning

- **The applicability of pneumatic equipment to the intended system should be judged by the pneumatic system designer or the personnel who determined specifications for such system.**

As operating conditions for products contained in this instruction are diversified, the applicability of pneumatic equipment to the intended system should be determined by the pneumatic system designer or the personnel who determined specifications for such system after conducting an analysis or testing as necessary. Before making a system, the system designer should thoroughly examine all specifications for such a system and also take into consideration the possibility of any trouble with the equipment.

- **The pneumatic equipment should be handled by persons who have sufficient knowledge and rich experience.**

Improper handling of compressed air will result in danger. Assembling, operation and maintenance of machinery using pneumatic equipment should be performed by persons who have sufficient knowledge and rich experience.

- **Never operate machinery nor remove the equipment until safety is assured.**

Before checking or servicing machinery and equipment, be sure to check that steps for prevention of dropping, or runaway of the driven component have been completely taken.

When removing the equipment, make sure that the above-mentioned safety measures have been done beforehand. Then turn off air supply and power to the system and purge compressed air in the system.

When machinery and equipment is restarted, check that proper prevention of malfunction has been provided for and then restart carefully.

- **When using the pneumatic equipment in the following conditions or environment, take the proper safety measures and consult Kuroda Pneumatics LTD beforehand.**

- Conditions and environments other than specified and outdoor use.

- Applications to nuclear power equipment, railroads, aircraft, vehicles, medical equipment, equipment connected with food and drink, amusement facilities and safety devices such as emergency interruption devices, clutch/brake circuits for a press and the likes.

- Applications which require extreme safety and will also greatly affect human and property.

1. General Information

This product is a pulse air generation unit with built-in soft seal pneumatic valve. This product is mainly for reducing air consumption in air blowing applications.

2. Ordering Instructions

ASC500 - 1W - 01

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- ① Model No. ASC500: Normal close (2-position single solenoid)
ASO500: Normal open (2-position single solenoid)
- ② Voltage/Wiring 1W: 24VDC, e-CON standard 4-polar socket
- ③ Port size 01: Rc1/8

3. Specifications

Model No.	Unit	ASC500	ASO500
Function	-	Normal close	Normal open
Fluid	-	Non-lubricated/lubricated air	
Port size	-	Rc1/8	
Flow	L/min(ANR)	450(at 0.5MPa)	
Pressure range	MPa	0.2 to 0.7 <small>Note 2)</small>	0.2 to 0.5 <small>Note 2)</small>
Blow	-	Pulse blow/ Continuous blow	
Ambient temperature	°C	-5~50 <small>Note 1)</small>	
Rated voltage	V	DC24	
Power consumption	W	1.2	
Insulation grade	-	JIS Grade E	
Permissible voltage fluctuation	%	+/-10	
Wiring	-	Specific 4-polar socket	
Weight	g	210	

Note 1) When ambient temperature of the unit goes below 5°C, complete dry air shall be supplied to prevent freezing.

Note 2) ASC500/ASO500 series are internal pilot operated units. Therefore, during air blow operation, pilot pressure should be more than 0.2MPa.

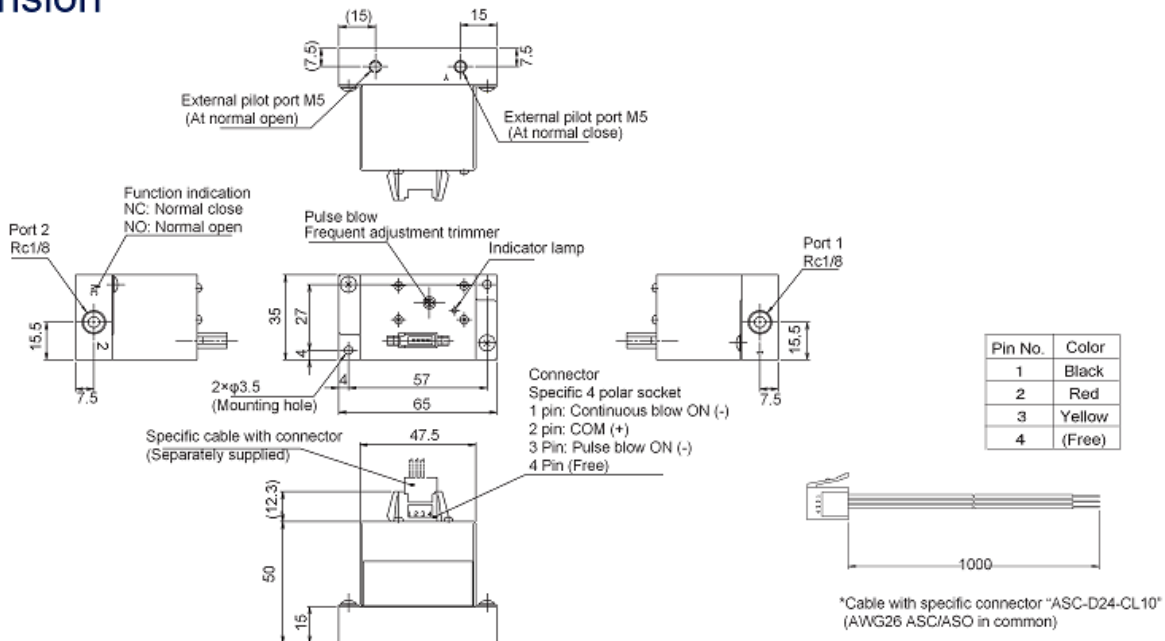
* Cable with e-CON connector (ASC-D24-CL10) will be ordered separately.

4. Dimensions

ASV5000-AA-04

Unit (mm)

Dimension



<Piping>

Port 1 : Supply port (Compressor side)

Port 2 : Outlet port (Blow nozzle side)

Y port : Pilot exhaust port * In order to avoid dust, air muffler is recommended to attach.

<Power distribution/ Air output>

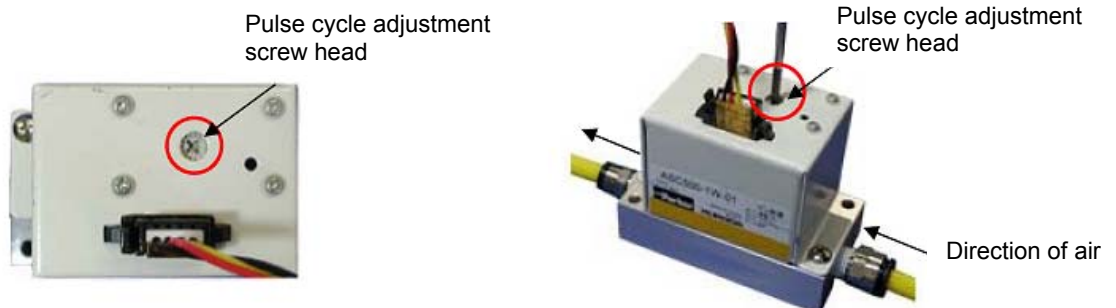
Continuous blow: Pin 1(-), Pin 2(+)

Pulse blow: Pin 2(+), Pin 3(-)

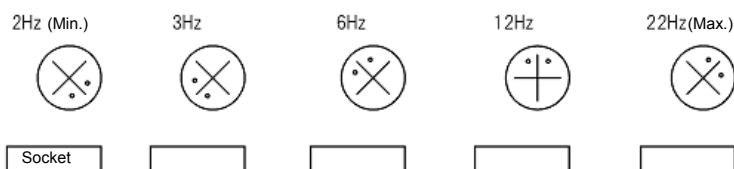
<How to adjust pulse cycles>

Pulse air cycle is adjusted by screwing cycle adjustment screw head on the top of this unit. If screw head is rotated on right, pulse cycle speed up. Use cross slot screwdriver to rotate the screw head. If screw head is rotated on left, pulse cycle slow down.

Pulse cycle speed range is about 2 to 22Hz, and pulse air ON:OFF duty ratio is 1:1.



(Reference) Indication for cycle adjustment screw head position and cycle



5. Notes for usage

a) Before piping

Thoroughly flush the inside of each pipe to remove chips, coolant, dust and etc.

b) Air quality

1) Fit an air filter with filtration of 5 μ m or finer.

2) Be sure to follow proper maintenance procedures of the compressor. Exhaust drain that is separated in a filter.

If drain gets into the compressed air, it may cause problems. If it is difficult to make drain management periodically, Kuroda Pneumatics LTD recommends setting up an air filter with automatic drain mechanism.

3) Be sure to take proper maintenance for a compressor. If sludge produced in compressor oil enters pneumatic equipment, it will cause operation failure of pneumatic equipment. Kuroda Pneumatics LTD recommends setting up a coalescing filter after a filter.

c) Pneumatic circuit

This unit requires supply air for pilot port. To avoid malfunctions due to pressure drops, pilot air pressure must be more than 0.2MPa at all times. To avoid pressure drops during air blowing process, set up relatively higher pilot pressure and use tubes with proper diameter.

d) Lubrication

This unit is not necessary to rubricate. Don't lubricate.

6. Failure and trouble shooting

a) Failure and countermeasure

Failure condition		Cause	Countermeasure
The unit cannot be operated.		Pilot air is less than 0.3MPa during operation.	Adjust pilot air pressure properly.
		Valve part is contaminated with dust or sludge.	1) Replace the product. 2) If an air filter is not used, use an air filter. 3) If problem is sludge, use a coalescing filter.
Operating frequency is getting slower.		Dust or high viscosity oil is trapped in the valve and it obstructs the spool.	1) Replace the product. 2) If air filter is not used, use an air filter.
		Such as dust is caught inside of pneumatic circuit, and it blocks up the flow.	Replace this product.
		Dust accumulated in the exhaust port, obstructing the air flow.	Clean up air mufflers or replace them.
Substantial air leakage is observed.	From main valve part	Spool seal rings are damaged.	Replace the air operated valve.
	From base gasket	Tightening torque for mounting screws is not enough to mount valve.	Tighten mounting screws to appropriate torque.

7. Maintenance and disassembly

Regarding repair and maintenance, please consult Kuroda Pneumatics LTD.

As a general rule, do not attempt maintenance or disassembly.

If it is absolutely necessary to do maintenance work, keep the following points in mind.

- 1) Make sure that the actuators such as cylinders will not cause damage if they move.
- 2) Cut off electricity.
- 3) Cut off pneumatic pressure and exhaust air in the line.
- 4) Clean up the surroundings of the valve.

Caution

Any attempt to repair and/or disassembling of the product by the user violates the warranty and Kuroda Pneumatics, Ltd does not take any responsibility for damage and injury caused by it.