3.4.1 TECHNICAL DATA

MAX OPERATING PRESSURE (PS): 60 bar

PRESSURE TEST (PT): 1.43 x PS

NOMINAL CAPACITIES:

ASBL: 0.7 - 1 - 1.5 - 3 - 5 - 10 - 15 - 20 - 25 - 35 - 55 litres ASBT: 1 - 1.5 - 3 - 5 - 10 - 15 - 20 - 25 - 35 - 55 litres

WORKING TEMPERATURE: -40 ÷ +150 °C

FLUID VISCOSITY RANGE: 10 ÷ 400 cSt

RECOMMENDED VISCOSITY: 36 cSt

FLUID CONTAMINATION DEGREE:

class 21/19/16 according to ISO 4406/99

BODY MATERIAL:

- carbon steel shell painted with rust inhibitor RAL 8012
- nickel coating 25 40 μ
- stainless steel AISI 316L

VALVES MATERIAL:

- phosphated or galvanized carbon steel in compliance with Directive 2002/95/EC (RoHS) to resist to corrosion
- stainless steel AISI 316L
- nickel coating 25-40 µ

BLADDER MATERIAL:

- P = Nitrile rubber (NBR)
- \mathbf{F} = Low temp. nitrile rubber
- H = Nitril for hydrocarbons
- K = Hydrogenated nitrile (HNBR)
- B = Butyl (IIR)
- E = Ethylene-propylene (EPDM)
- N = Chloroprene (Neoprene)
- **Y** = Epichlorohydrin (ECO)
- V = Fluorocarbon (FPM)

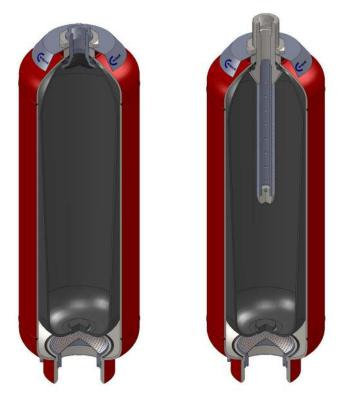
See Table 3.4c and/or Chapter 1.5

GAS VALVE CONNECTION: see Table 3.4d

FLUID PORT CONNECTION: - see Table 3.4d

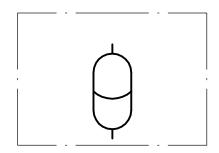
FLOW RATE: see Table 3.4e

WEIGHT: see Table 3.4e



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3.4.2 HYDRAULIC SYMBOL



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3.4.3 "ASBL and ASBT" BLADDER ADVANTAGES

- dirt tolerant
- light weight
- compact
- simple construction
- quick response
- works well on water, low lubricity fluids
- quick, easy installation
- low cost

3.4.4 DESCRIPTION

Bladder low pressure ASBL and ASBT type accumulators consist of a welded cylindrical pressure vessel made of steel.

The accumulators are subdivided into a gas and fluid side by an elastic bladder mounted in the interior of the vessel.

In the ASBL type, the liquid is also inside the bladder.

The transfer accumulator ASBT type is designed especially for connecting to nitrogen bottle. A diffuser rod prevents damages to the bladder when the accumulator works.

Nitrogen bottle used as back-ups increase the gas volume in the accumulator. This means that smaller accumulators can be used for the same gas volume and costs can be reduced.

When the fluid is pressed into the accumulator, the gas in the bladder is compressed and hence the pressure increased. The gas volume reduces and on the fluid side, the fluid can flow into the accumulator. As soon as the pressure on the fluid side falls below the gas pressure, the accumulator is emptied.

Oil valve is provided in the oil port of the bladder-type accumulator and closes when the pressure on the gas side is higher than the one on the fluid side. This prevents draining of the bladder into the oil channel and thus the bladder from being destroyed.

When the minimum operating pressure is reached, a small oil volume is to be maintained between the bladder and the fluid volume (approx. 10% of the nominal capacity of the hydraulic accumulator), in order that the bladder does not hit the valve during every expansion process.

The gas valve body of ASBL type accumulator is complete with anti-extrusion in addition to the rubber washer and locknut.

The gas valve body of ASBT type accumulator is complete with diffuser rod in addition to the rubber washer and locknut.

These parts can be replaced separately.

The nameplate shows the technical data and features of the hydraulic accumulator.

3.4.5 EUROPE MARKET

All hydraulic accumulators are pressure vessels and are subject to the national regulations and directives, valid at the place of installation. Bladder accumulator type ASBL e ASBT, up to and including 1 liter must

not be CE marked.

For bladder accumulator type ASBL e ASBT, greater than 1 liter, every shipping batch is complete of a conformity declaration and instruction of use and maintenance and/or all documents requested.

All vessel categories (see Table 3.1d) must be protected by means of a pressure relief valve in accordance with Directive 97/23/EC.

3.4.6 ACCESSORIES

For additional cylinders, see Section 6 For support equipment, see Cap. 7 For gas side's safety equipment, see Cap. 8 For fluid side's safety equipment, see Cap. 9 For pre-loading and charging set, see Cap. 11 For other components, see Cap. 12



3.4.7 BLADDER-TEMPERATURE-LIQUID COMPATIBILITY

When selecting the accumulator variant, pay attention to the following non-binding notes with regard to hydraulic fluid, bladder material and the permissive temperature range. (see Section 1.5)

Code letter	Polymer	ISO	Temperature range (°C)	Some of the liquids compatible with the polymer
Р	Standard nitrile (Perburan)	NBR	-20 ÷ +80	Aliphatic hydrocarbons (propane, butane, gasoline, oils, mineral grea- ses, diesel fuel, fuel oil, kerosene), mineral greases and oils, HFA - HFB - HFC fluids, many dilute acids, alkalis, saline solutions, water, water glycol.
F	Low temperature nitrile	NBR	-40 ÷ +70	The same as with standard nitrile + a number of different types of Freon. (This contains less acrylonitrile than the standard and is there- fore more suitable for low temperatures, but its chemical resistance is slightly lower).
н	Nitrile for hydrocarbons	NBR	-10 ÷ +90	Regular and premium grade slightly aromatic gasoline (and all the li- quids for standard nitrile).
К	Hydrogenated nitrile	HNBR	-30 ÷ +130	The same as with standard nitrile but with excellent performance at high and low temperatures.
В	Butyl	IIR	-30 ÷ +100	Hot water up to 100°C, glycol-based brake fluids, many acids and bases, salt solutions, polar solvents such as alcohols, ketones and esters, polyglycol-based hydraulic fluids (HFC fluids) and bases of esters of phosphoric acid (HFD-R fluids), silicone oils and greases, Skydol 500 and 7000, resistance to ozone, aging and weathering.
E	Ethylene-Propylene	EPDM	-30 ÷ +100	Hot water up to 100°C, glycol-based brake fluids, many organic and inorganic acids, detergents, solutions of sodium and potassium, pho- sphate ester-based hydraulic fluids, (HFD-R), silicone oils and greases, many polar solvents (alcohol, ketones, esters), Skydrol 500 and 7000, resistance to ozone, aging and weathering.
N	Chloroprene (Neoprene)	CR	-30 ÷ +100	Mineral oils of paraffin, silicone oils and greases, water and aqueous solutions, refrigerants (ammonia, carbon dioxide, Freon), naphthenic mineral oils, low molecular aliphatic hydrocarbons (propane, butane, fuel), brake fluids based on glycol, better resistance to ozone, weathering and aging compared to NBR rubber.
Y	Epichloridrin	ECO	-30 ÷ +110	Mineral oils and greases, aliphatic hydrocarbons (propane, butane and gasoline), silicone oils and greases, water at room temperature, resistance to ozone, aging and weathering.
V	Fluorocarbon	FPM	-10 ÷ +150	Mineral oils and greases, non-flammable fluids of HFD group, silicone oils and greases, animal and vegetable oils and greases, aliphatic hydrocar- bons (gasoline, butane, propane, natural gas), aromatics hydrocarbons (benzene, toluene), chlorinated hydrocarbons (Tetrachloroethylene, car- bon tetrachloride), fuel (regular, super and containing methanol), excellent resistance to ozone, weathering and aging.

For other hydraulic fluid and/or temperatures, please consult us.

3.4 E DELADDER ACCUMULATORS LOW PRESSUR LIQUID SEPARATOR type ASBL and TRANSFER type ASBT



3.4.8 ORDER CODE

ASBL	25	Р	25	X	R	G10	G6	-	8	-	X	1	X	0	F6
	1 • S	eries										15•0	Other v	/arian	ts
Bladder accumul	ator lo	ow pressu									S		table or		
iquid separator Bladder accumu		low		= ASBI	-										
pressure transfe				= AST							14	• Var	iants o	of gas	side
2 • Nomi		apacity = 0.7	v (litre	es)							andard Iv cap i	n stain	less ste	el	= 0 = 1
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		= 35 = 55									kel coa ainless :		rbon ste	el 40 µ	ı = N = X
3 • B	ladd	er mate	rial												
Nitrile rubber (N				= P							12	• Var	ants o	f fluid	side
Nitrile for low te Nitril for hydroca		S		= F = H							andard				= 0
Hydrogenated n Butyl (IIR)				= K = B					L				ess stee ariants t		= 1 quested
Ethylene-propyl			:	= E											
Chloroprene (Ne Epichlorohydrin				= N = Y											
Fluorocarbon (F	PM)		:	= V							1 1	• Flu	id valv	ve mat	erial
4 • Max we	orkin	g press	sure	(PS)							rbon ste kel coa		bon ste	el 25 u	= C = N
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Nickel coated ca Nickel coated ca				= N = M							10	• Test	and c	ertific	ation
Stainless steel				= X						Fa	ctory te	sting			= 0
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0.7÷55 BSP S				_						PE) 97/23/E	C(for cap	oacities gr	eater tha	n1l)= 8
with chamfer for 0.7÷55 I adapter		std)		= A = R]					EX 94/9		lkraine)		= 9 = 11
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7 • Dimensior or 7+8 table	n of t	he coni	necti	on flui	d										
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										Са	pacity			0.5	= G

Special variants on request



4 • Max working pressure (PS)										
Capacity litres	Carbon steel	Stainless steel								
0.7÷ 5 10 ÷ 55	60 30 - 50 (other pressure related to connections B or U)	40 25 - 50								

6 • Fluid port connection								
For AS0.7÷55	BSP ISO 228							
	with chamfer for OR (std)	=	Α					
For AS0.2	BSP ISO 228 (std)	=	G					
For AS3÷55	Metric	=	Μ					
For AS0.7÷55	NPT-F	=	Ρ					
For AS3÷55	internal thread SAE	=	S					
For AS3÷55	adapter for flange SAE 3000 Psi	=	L					
For AS3÷55	adapter for flange SAE 6000 Psi	=	н					
For AS0.7÷55	flange ANSI	=	В					
For AS0.7÷55	flange UNI	=	U					
For AS0.7÷55	square flange	=	Q					
For AS0.7÷55	adapter *	=	R					
* assembled on the	e fluid valve connection type A							

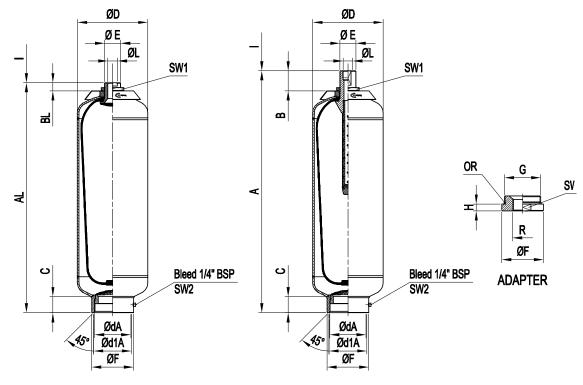
15 • Other variants	
Rupture disc set at xxx bar, laterally on AST (see Section)	= Rxxx
Needle Valve of 1/4" BSP, laterally on AST	= EG2
Flushing with degree of contamination $\leq x$	= Fx
75-80 μ thick polyurethane paint with colour	
to be specified	= W
Off-shore paint with colour to be specified	= Z
NORSOK System 1 paint with colour to be specified	l = K1
NORSOK System 7 paint with colour to be specified	l = K7
other variants upon request	

7 • Dimension of the c	onnection fluid	
Former. 1" ANSI 150 = 1/150 (Pr U (0.7÷55 I) Former. DN50 PN16 = 50/16 (Pr	DN/PN max = 16 bar)	8 • Dimension 1/8" = 1 1⁄4" = 2 0″″″ ●
R (0.7÷55 I) Blind R (0.7÷55 I) internal thread BSP ISO 228 NPT-F BSPT	= 0 = G* = P* = N*	3/8" = 3 $1/2" = 4$ $3/4" = 5$ $1" = 6$ $1" 1/4 = 7$ $1" 1/2" = 8$
SAE Metric	= S*	Dimension in inch - No.of pitch for in Diameter/pitch
*Variant in table 8		

Special variants upon request



3.4.9 DIMENSIONS



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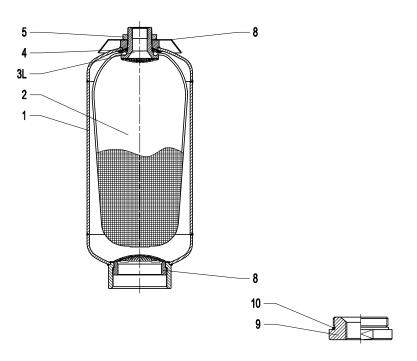
Accumulator type ASBL and ASBT	Nominal gas volume litres	Effective gas volume litres	Working pressure bar	Ped category for the liquids of group 2	Maximum differential pressure bar	Flow rate I/min	Max. compr. ratio P0/P2	A mm	AL mm	ØB mm	ØBL mm	C mm	ØD mm	ØdA BSP ISO 228	Ød1A mm		ØF mm	H mm	L mm	l mm	SW 1 mm	SW 2 mm	Dry weight kg
ASBL 0,7	0,7	0,65	60 (40)	Art.3(3)	5	100	1:4																
ASBL 1 ASBT1	1	1	60 (40)	I	5	100	1:4	245±3	237±3	28	20	48	114±1	2" BSP	63,35	25	75	11	1/4" BSP	140	32	70	2,8
ASBL 1,5 ASBT1,5	1,5	1,5	60 (40)	I	5	100	1:4	311 ±3	303 ±3	28	20	48	114±1	2" BSP	63,35	25	75	11	1/4" BSP	140	32	70	3,1
ASBL3 ASBT3	3	2,95	80 (40)	II (I)	5	100	1:4	491 ± 5	483±5	28	20	48	114± 1	2" BSP	63,35	25	75	11	1/4" BSP	140	32	70	9,1
ASBL5 ASBT5	5	5	80 (40)	II (I)	5	150	1:4	456 ± 5	451 ± 5	28	23	48	168±1,5	2"1/2 BSP	79	25	98	11	1/4" BSP	140	32	80	15,7
ASBL 10 ASTB 10	10	9,1	30 (25÷50)	II	5	300	1:4	620 ± 10	583 ± 10	66	28	50	219±2	4" BSP	118,4	55	130	14	1" BSP	140	70	120	18
ASBL 15 ASTB 15	15	14,5	30 (25÷50)	II	5	300	1:4	720 ± 10	683 ± 10	66	28	50	219±2	4" BSP	118,4	55	130	14	1" BSP	140	70	120	23
ASBL 20 ASTB 20	20	18,2	30 (25÷50)	II	5	300	1:4	760 ± 10	723 ± 10	66	28	50	219±2	4" BSP	118,4	55	130	14	1" BSP	140	70	120	28
ASBL 25 ASTB 25	25	23,5	30 (25÷50)	II	5	300	1:4	905 ±10	868 ±10	66	28	50	219±2	4" BSP	118,4	55	130	14	1" BSP	140	70	120	33
ASBL35 ASTB 35	35	33,5	30 (25÷50)	II	5	300	1:4	1290 ±10	1253 ±10	66	28	50	219±2	4" BSP	118,4	55	130	14	1" BSP	140	70	120	47
ASBL 55 ASTB 55	55	50	30 (25÷50)		5	300	1:4	1770 ±10	1733	66	28	50	219±2	4" BSP	118,4	55	130	14	1" BSP	140	70	120	65

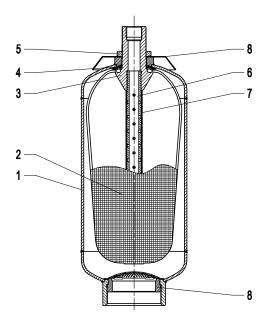
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* The maximum differential pressure is the maximum allowable difference between the maximum pressure and the minimum working pressure (P2-P1) to have an infinite life cycle of the accumulator (greater than 2,000,000 cycles). ** Flow rate measured using mineral oil with viscosity of 36 cSt at 50°C and $\Delta P = 5$ bar



3.4.10 SPARE PARTS CODE





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3.4.11 COMMISSIONING AND MAINTENANCE

Delivery conditions

The bladder accumulators' type ASL and AST cannot be delivered with the pre-charge.

Depending on the size and quantity ordered, the bladder are shipped in boxes, in cartons, on pallets or wooden boxes on request.

Unless otherwise required, certificates and documentation are provided together with the accumulators.

Handling

The original packaging is suitable for handling and storage.

Where necessary, you should use suitable lifting equipment to support the weight of the accumulators.

However protect from impact the packaging and handle it with care.

Storage

During storage in the warehouse, leave the product in its original packaging, keeping it away from heat sources and naked flames. The storage temperature should be between +10 and +40°C.

After six years of storage, it is essential to proceed with the replacement of all elastomeric parts before the commissioning.

Marking on the nameplate of the accumulator

With reference to the PED 97/23/EC classification, Article 3, Paragraph 3 and / or risk categories I or II depending on the volume and maximum working pressure, the accumulator indicates the following data:

- Logo, name and country of the manufacturer
- Mounth/year of production
- Product code
- Serial number
- Maximum PS pressure and PT test pressure in bar
- Min. and max. TS working temperature in Celsius
- Volume V in litres
- Group of fluids allowed (II)
- CE marking (for volumes exceding 1 litre) with the identification number of the notified body

It is strictly forbidden to:

- weld, rivet or screw any item of the accumulator
- engrave or permanently stamp the surfaces of the accumulator shell and / or carry out other operations that could affect or change the mechanical properties of the accumulator
- use the accumulator as a structural element: it should not be subjected to stresses or loads
- change the data of the nameplate and / or accumulator without the permission of the manufacturer
- use a (dangerous) fluid of Group 1 with equipment designed and manufactured for fluids of Group 2.

Installation

Before installation, you must perform a visual check to verify that the accumulator has not suffered any damage during shipping / handling. Verify that the requested type matches with what stamped on the nameplate. We recommend using the accumulator with a suitable lock-off and security block type BS (see Chap. 9). This device provides the user protection and equipment against damage caused by pressure peaks and also males easy and safe the maintenance of the accumulator, simplifying the interception and discharging. The accumulators type AS may be installed in any position from horizontal to vertical (preferably with the gas valve at the top), and the nameplate must be visible.

Proceed to the assembly so that no abnormal force affects the pipes connected directly or indirectly to the accumulator, so we recommend the use of supporting components and also fastening (please see Chapter 7) to avoid the transmission of vibrations.

If there are not used EPE safety blocks, make sure that the accumulator is connected to the hydraulic circuit by suitable connection devices.

Make sure the fluid is compatible with the elastomer of the bladder. Check that the max. allowed accumulator pressure is equal to or greater than that of the hydraulic circuit and that the temperature during operation is maintained within the range expected.

Make sure the fluid does not contain contaminants and/or abrasive.

Pre-charge of nitrogen (type AST)

The pre-charge of gas should be performed after the connection to the additional cylinders and after the installation of the accumulator in the hydraulic circuit.

For the pre-charge, use only industrial dry nitrogen with a purity of min. 99%. It is important to use the nitrogen from a bottle equipped with a pressure reducing valve (see Chap.11.3). Use the EPE pre-charge and charging set type PC to check the charging pressure required, and adjust if necessary. If the pre-charge pressure is lower than required, connect the charging hose on one side and the other side connect it to the nitrogen bottle or to the pressure reducer. Slowly fill the nitrogen in the accumulator until reaching a pressure slightly higher than that set value (+ $10 \div 15\%$). Close the bottle and remove the charging hose from the pre-loading set; wait until the gas temperature has stabilized (2 hours) and calibrate the pressure, discharging the excess gas.

Make sure that the pre-charge valve, fittings, pipes and anything else are not subject to losses, by using, if necessary, soap and water. Tighten the protective caps manually.

Hydraulic pressurization

- Check that the pre-charge pressure is adequate for the application
- Ensure that the hydraulic pressure never exceeds the max pressure allowed (PS) shown on the accumulator shell.

To avoid this risk, use a safety device (see Chap. 9).

Maintenance

- Periodically check the pre-charge pressure of the gas: after the commissioning, check after 2-3 weeks of operation and if there were no leaks, repeat the operation after 3 months; if the pressure at the same temperature was stable, repeat the test yearly. For heavy-duty applications, check the pre-charge every 6 months.
- Periodically (yearly) carry out a visual inspection of the accumulator in order to detect any early signs of deterioration such as corrosion, deformation, etc.
- Comply with the requirements of the regulations concerning the verification of the functionality of the equipment according to the country of installation of the accumulator.

Repair

If for failure, scheduled check or retest it is necessary to remove the accumulator from the system, prior to removal, isolate the accumulator from the installation and discharge pressure of the liquid. All bladder EPE accumulators of the ASL and AST series may e repaired.

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It may consist in replacing the bladder, the seals, the pre-charge valve (AST) and/or the parts of the gas and fluid valve.

For reasons of functionality and security, it is recommended to use only original spare parts.

Disassembly

- Fasten the accumulator firmly in a vice or on a bench in a horizontal position, taking care not to damage the outer surface.



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- Remove gas valve, fastening the nut on the gas valve and remove the nameplate



- Unscrew the vent screw



- Using a suitable wrench, unscrew the fluid valve (anti-extrusion plate)



- Remove the anti-extrusion plate



- Fold bladder somewhat and withdraw by turning it slightly

Refitting

Tightening torques in Nm											
0.7-1.5 3 - 5 10-55											
Fluid port anti-extrusion plate	50 + 5	60 + 60	100 +10								
Bleed screw	10 +2	10 +2	10 +2								
Gas valve locknut	80 +20	100 +20	150 +30								
Filling valve (AST)	-	-	30 +5								

 Cleaning and testing : clean all metallic parts on accumulator using an organic reducer – visual inspection of valves– Clean bladder, i.e. using isopropanol. Visual inspection of bladder for faults – inner inspection of container for signs of corrosion. In event of coated containers, check the condition of the coating. Replace the parts deemed to be bad: the o-rings must always be replaced (see spare parts Section 3.4.9).

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- Drain air from bladder by pressing together

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- Carefully moisten the inside of the bladder and the container with used medium (roll container)





- Tighten the hexagon nut SW1 on the gas valve
- Mount the filling valve (ASBT)

- Bleed screw with sealing ring

- Mount the bleed screw with its sealing ring

Pre-charge (ASBT) after having fitted the accumulator on the system and having connected it to the additional cylinders.

- Screw the pre-charge PC equipment on the gas valve.
- Connect the equipment to the cylinder of nitrogen or to the pressure reducer with the inflation tube.
- Slowly enter the nitrogen in the accumulator until reaching a pressure slightly higher than the set value (+ 10 ÷ 15%).
- Close the cylinder and remove the connecting pipe from the equipment.
- Wait until the gas temperature has stabilized (2 hours).
- Calibrate the pressure discharging the excess gas.

Make sure that the gas valve, the fittings and the pipes are not subject to losses and, if necessary, use soap and water. Tighten the protective caps manually.

Demolition and recycling of the accumulator

Before accumulator demolition or recycling, you should always discharge completely the pre-charge pressure and remove the gas valve (ASBT). If you need, proceed decontaminating in relation to the fluid used prior to demolition.

- Install the anti extrusion plate.

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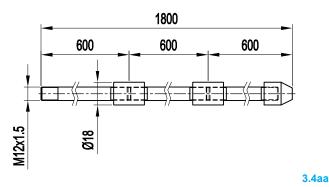
3.4.12 REPAIR TOOLS

3.4.12.1 BLADDER PULL ROD

The pull rod screwed to the gas valve of the bladder for easy assembly into shell during reassembly. Pull rod is complete with fitting for EPE gas valve and 3 extension segments to accommodate all size of accumulators.

Code for complete kit: B2505

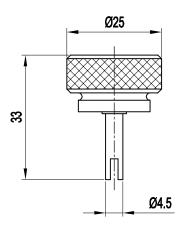
Dimension





The core tool is used to remove and reinstall the valve core type V4. Code **B2508**

Dimension

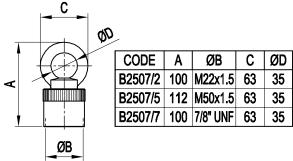


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3.4.12.2 LIFTING HOOK

To be used for the safe lifting of mounted accumulators: For accumulators $0,7\div5$ It (M22x1,5) code **B2507/2** For accumulators $10\div55$ It (M50x1,5) code **B2507/5** For accumulators V4 (7/8" UNF) code **B2507/7**

Dimension



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