

Electrically operated expansion valves, type AKVA 10, 15 & 20

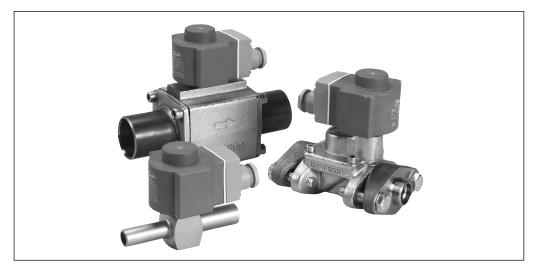


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Introduction



AKVA are electrically operated expansion valves designed for ammonia refrigerating plant.

The AKVA valves are normally controlled by a controller from Danfoss' range of ADAP-KOOL® controllers.

The AKVA valves are supplied as a component programme, as follows:

- Separate valve
- Separate coil with terminal box or cable
- Spare parts in the form upper part, orifice

The individual capacities are indicated with a number forming part of the type designation. The number represents the size of the orifice of the valve in question.

A valve with orifice 3 will for example be designated AKVA 10-3.

The orifice assembly is replaceable.

The AKVA 10 valves covers a capacity range from 4 kW to 100 kW (R 717) and are divided up into 8 capacity ranges.

The AKVA 10 valve bodies are made in stainless steel and have weld connections.

The AKVA 15 valves have flange connections. The valve covers a capacity range from 125 kW to 500 kW (R 717) and are divided up into 4 capacity ranges.

The AKVA 20 valves cover a capacity range from 500 kW to 3150 kW (R 717) and are divided up into 5 capacity ranges.

The AKVA 20 valve has weld connections.

The AKVA valves can be used for:

- Flooded evaporation (high/low pressure)
- Pump separators
- Direct expansion. See appendix.

If AKVA has to be used in chillers please contact Danfoss.

The AKVA can be used for R717, R744, HCFC and HFC.

Features

- For ammonia (R717), R744, HCFC, HFC
- The valve requires no adjustment
- Wide regulation range
- Replaceable orifice assembly
- Wide range of coils for d.c. and a.c.
- Quick reaction in whole range of stated capacity.
- In some applications AKVA can be used both as expansion valve and solenoid valve

Approvals

DEMKO, Denmark SETI, Finland SEV, Switzerland

AKVA 20 are CE marked according to Pressure **Equipment Directive 97/23**



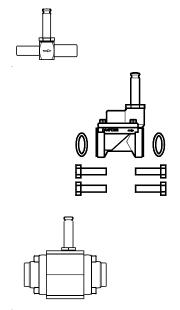
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Technical data

Valve type	AKVA 10	AKVA 15	AKVA 20
Tolerance of coil voltage	+10 / -15%	+10 / -15%	+10 / -15%
Enclosure to IEC 529	Max. IP 67	Max. IP 67	Max. IP 67
Working principle (Pulse-width modulation)	PWM	PWM	PWM
Recommend period of time	6 seconds	6 seconds	6 seconds
Capacity (R717)	4 to 100 kW	125 to 500 kW	500 to 3150 kW
Regulation range	10 - 100%	10 - 100%	10 - 100%
Connection	Weld	Weld	Weld
Media temperature	– 50 to 60°C	– 40 to 60°C	– 40 to 60°C
Ambient temperature	– 50 to 50 °C	– 40 to 50 °C	– 40 to 50 °C
Leak of valve seat	< 0.02% of k _v -value	< 0.02% of k _v -value	< 0.02% of k _v -value
MOPD	18 bar	22 bar	18 bar
Filter	Internal 100 μm replaceable	external 100 μm	external 100 μm
Max. working pressure	PS = 42 bar g	PS = 42 bar g	PS = 42 bar g

Rated capacity and ordering



Valve type	Rated ca	apacity¹)	k _v -value	Connections Inlet x outlet	Code no.	Connections Inlet x outlet	Code no.
	kW	tons	m³/h	in.		in.	
AKVA 10-1	4	1.1	0.010	3/ ₈ × 1/ ₂	068F3261	1/2×3/4	068F3281
AKVA 10-2	6.3	1.8	0.015	$^{3}/_{8} \times ^{1}/_{2}$	068F3262	$^{1}/_{2} \times ^{3}/_{4}$	068F3282
AKVA 10-3	10	2.8	0.022	$^{3}/_{8} \times ^{1}/_{2}$	068F3263	1/2×3/4	068F3283
AKVA 10-4	16	4.5	0.038	$^{3}/_{8} \times ^{1}/_{2}$	068F3264	1/2×3/4	068F3284
AKVA 10-5	25	7.1	0.055	$^{3}/_{8} \times ^{1}/_{2}$	068F3265	1/2×3/4	068F3285
AKVA 10-6	40	11.4	0.103	$^{3}/_{8} \times ^{1}/_{2}$	068F3266	1/2×3/4	068F3286
AKVA 10-7	63	17.9	0.162			1/2×3/4	068F3267
AKVA 10-8	100	28.4	0.251			1/2×3/4	068F3268
AKVA 15-1	125	35	0.25	Flange	068F5020 ²)		
AKVA 15-2	200	60	0.40	Flange	068F5023 ²)		
AKVA 15-3	300	90	0.63	Flange	068F5026 ²)		
AKVA 15-4	500	140	1.0	Flange	068F5029 ²)		
AKVA 20-1	500	140	1.0	1 1/ ₄ × 1 1/ ₄	042H2101		
AKVA 20-2	800	240	1.6	1 1/ ₄ × 1 1/ ₄	042H2102		
AKVA 20-3	1250	350	2.5	1 1/ ₄ × 1 1/ ₄	042H2103		
AKVA 20-4	2000	600	4.0	1 1/2 × 1 1/2	042H2104		
AKVA 20-5	3150	900	6.3	2×2	042H2105		

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Flange set for AKVA 15

Valve type	Connection (in.)	Code no.
AKVA 15-1 to 4	3/4	027N1220
	1	027N1225



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Ordering (continued) Accessories

Filter

On plants with ammonia and similar industrial plant a filter must be mounted in front of AKVA 15 and AKVA 20.

AKVA 10 has built-in filter and external filter is not necessary.

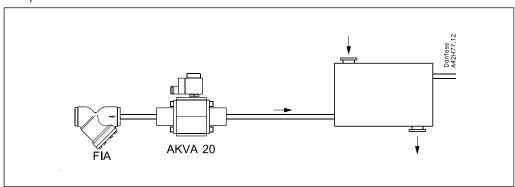
Recommended filter for AKVA 15/20



Filter type	Cc	ode no.
	House	Filter insert 100 μm
FIA 20 D STR	148H3086	148H3122
FIA 25 D STR	148H3087	
FIA 32 D STR	148H3088	148H3123
FIA 40 D STR	148H3089	
FIA 50 D STR	148H3090	148H3157

For further information: see Danfoss catalogue RD6CD

Examples of combinations





Ordering (continued) Spare parts

AKVA 10



Огіпсе		
Туре	Code no.	Contents
AKVA 10-1	068F0526	
AKVA 10-2	068F0527	
AKVA 10-3	068F0528	
AKVA 10-4	068F0529	1 pcs. orifice 1 pcs. Al. gasket
AKVA 10-5	068F0530	1 pcs. Al. gasket 1 pcs. cap for coil
AKVA 10-6	068F0531	
AKVA 10-7	068F0532	
AKVA 10-8	068F0533	

Filter	Code no.	Contents
	068F0540	10 pcs. filters 10 pcs. Al. gaskets

Upper part



Gasket for upper part

	068F0548	25 pcs. Al gaskets

AKVA 15

Piston



Туре	Code no.	Contents
AKVA 15-1	068F5265	1 pcs. piston assembly
AKVA 15-2	068F5266	1 pcs. gasket
AKVA 15-3	068F5267	1 pcs. O-ring
AKVA 15-4	068F5268	2 pcs. labels

Gasket set	068F5264	Complete
Gasket set	00013204	gasket set

Orifice set	Code no.	Contents
8 8	068F5261	Main orifice Pilot orifice Al gaskets O-rings Gasket

Upper part

	068F5045	1 pcs. armature 1 pcs. armature tube 1 pcs. Al. gasket
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Gasket for upper part

Γ,	068F0548	25 pcs. Al gaskets

Filter



068F0540

10 pcs. filters 10 pcs. Al. gaskets

AKVA 20

Piston



Туре	Code no.	Contents			
AKVA 20-0.6	042H2039				
AKVA 20-1	042H2040				
AKVA 20-2	042H2041	1 pcs. piston assembly			
AKVA 20-3	042H2042	3 pcs. O-rings			
AKVA 20-4	042H2043				
AKVA 20-5	042H2044				

Upper part Code no. Contents 1 pcs. armature 1 pcs. armature tube 1 pcs. Al. gasket 068F5045

Orifice set



Туре	Code no.	Contents
AKVA 20-0.6	068F5270	Main orifice, dia. 8 mm
AKVA 20-1	068F5270	Pilot orifice, dia. 1.8 mm
AKVA 20-2	068F5270	2 pcs. Al. gaskets
AKVA 20-3	068F5270	O-ring
AKVA 20-4	068F5271	Main orifice, dia. 14 mm
AKVA 20-5	068F5271	Pilot orifice, dia. 2.4 mm 2 pcs. Al. gaskets O-ring

Gasket set		Complete gasket set for new and old valves
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Gasket for upper part

068F0548	25 pcs. Al. gaskets

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Ordering (continued) Coils for AKVA valves

Γ	AKVA	AKVA	AKVA	AKVA	AKVA	AKVA
	10-1	10-6	10-7	15-1	20-1	20-4
	10-2		10-8	15-2	20-2	20-5
	10-3			15-3	20-3	
	10-4			15-4		
	10-5					

D.C. coils	Code no.						
220 V d.c. 20 W, standard with terminal box	018F6851	+	+	+	+	+	+
100 V d.c. 18 W, special with terminal box with DIN plugs	018F6780	+	+	+	+	+	+
230 V d.c. 18 W, special with terminal box with DIN plugs	018F6781¹) 018F6991¹)	+	+	+	+	+	+
230 V d.c. 18 W, special with 2.5 m cable with 4.0 m cable with 8.0 m cable	018F6288¹) 018F6278¹) 018F6279¹)	+	+	+	+	+	+

¹⁾ Recommended for commercial refrigeration plant

A.C. coils	Code no.						
240 V a.c. 10 W, 50 Hz with terminal box with DIN plugs	018F6702 018F6177	+	+	_	+	_	_
240 V a.c. 10 W, 60 Hz with terminal box with DIN plugs	018F6713 018F6188	+	+	_	+	_	_
240 V a.c. 12 W, 50 Hz with terminal box	018F6802	+	+	+	+	+	_
220 V a.c. 10 W, 50 Hz with terminal box with DIN plugs	018F6701 018F6176	+	+	_	+	_	_
220 V a.c. 10 W, 60 Hz with terminal box with DIN plugs	018F6714 018F6189	+	+	_	+	_	_
220 V a.c. 12 W, 50 Hz with terminal box	018F6801	+	+	_	+	+	_
220 V a.c. 12 W, 60 Hz with terminal box	018F6814	+	+	_	+	+	_
115 V a.c. 10 W, 50 Hz with terminal box with DIN plugs	018F6711 018F6186	+	+	_	+	_	_
115 V a.c. 10 W, 60 Hz with terminal box with DIN plugs	018F6710 018F6185	+	+	_	+	_	_
110 V a.c. 12 W, 50 Hz with terminal box	018F6811	+	+	_	+	+	_
110 V a.c. 12 W, 60 Hz with terminal box	018F6813	+	+	_	+	+	_
110 V a.c. 20 W, 50 Hz with terminal box	018Z6904	+	+	+	+	+	+
24 V a.c. 10 W, 50 Hz with terminal box with DIN plugs	018F6707 018F6182	+	_	_	+	_	_
24 V a.c. 10 W, 60 Hz with terminal box with DIN plugs	018F6715 018F6190	+	_	_	+	-	_
24 V a.c. 12 W, 50 Hz with terminal box	018F6807	+	_	_	+	+	+
24 V a.c. 12 W, 60 Hz with terminal box	018F6815	+	_	_	+	+	+
24 V a.c. 20 W, 50 Hz with terminal box	018F6901	+	+	+	+	+	+
24 V a.c. 20 W, 60 Hz with terminal box	018F6902	+	+	+	+	+	+

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Capacity

Range: – 40 to 10℃ **R 717**

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Valve type		Capacity in kW at pressure drop across valve ∆p bar											
raive type	2	4	6	8	10	12	14	16					
AKVA 10 - 1	2.2	3.1	3.7	4.1	4.4	4.7	5.0	5.2					
AKVA 10 - 2	3.5	4.9	5.8	6.5	7.0	7.5	7.9	8.3					
AKVA 10 - 3	5.6	7.7	9.1	10.2	11.1	11.9	12.5	13.1					
AKVA 10 - 4	9.1	12.4	14.7	16.5	17.9	19.2	20.2	21.1					
AKVA 10 - 5	14.2	19.4	22.9	25.7	28.0	29.9	31.6	33.0					
AKVA 10 - 6	23.0	31.2	36.4	41.4	45.0	48.1	50.7	53.1					
AKVA 10 - 7	36.6	49.3	58.1	65.0	70.6	75.3	79.4	83.0					
AKVA 10 - 8	59.1	78.9	93.5	104	112	120	126	131					
AKVA 15 - 1		95.7	113	127	138	148	156	163					
AKVA 15 - 2		153	181	203	221	236	250	261					
AKVA 15 - 3		231	274	308	335	358	377	395					
AKVA 15 - 4		383	455	510	555	593	625	655					
AKVA 20 - 1		383	455	510	555	593	625	655					
AKVA 20 - 2		612	726	814	886	947	999	1045					
AKVA 20 - 3		959	1137	1275	1388	1482	1564	1635					
AKVA 20 - 4		1552	1836	2057	2239	2391	2523	2639					
AKVA 20 - 5		2479	2921	3267	3550	3789	3994	4174					

Correction for subcooling

The liquid injected capacity must be corrected, if the subcooling deviates from 4 K. Use the actual correction factor indicated in the table. Multiply the liquid injected capacity by the correction factor to obtain the corrected capacity.

Correction factors for subcooling Δt_{sub}

Correction factor	2K	4 K	10 K	15 K	20 K	25 K	30 K	35 K	40 K	45 K	50 K
R 717	1.01	1.00	0.98	0.96	0.94	0.92	0.91	0.89	0.87	0.86	0.85

 $\label{eq:corrected} \textbf{Corrected capacity} = \textbf{liquid injected capacity} \ \textbf{x} \ \textbf{correction factor}.$

Dimensioning

To obtain an expansion valve that will function correctly under different load conditions it is necessary to consider the following points when the valve has to be dimensioned:

These points must be dealt with in the following sequence:

- 1. Evaporator capacity
- 2. Pressure drop across the valve
- 3. Correction for subcooling
- 4. Correction for evaporating temperature
- 5. Determination of valve size
- 6. Correctly dimensioned liquid line

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Dimensioning *(continued)*

Example for a direct expansion system

1. Evaporator capacity

The evaporator capacity is found in the specifications from the evaporator supplier.

2. Pressure drop across the valve

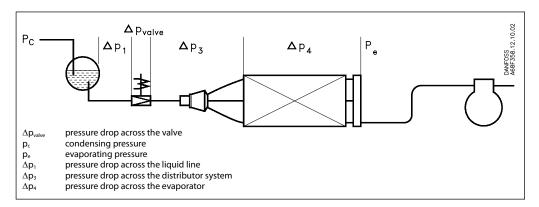
The pressure drop across the valve directly determines the capacity and must therefore be considered.

The pressure drop across the valve is normally calculated as the condensing pressure less the

evaporating pressure and sundry other pressure drops in the liquid line, distributor, evaporator, etc.

It is indicated in the following formula:

$$\Delta p_{\text{valve}} = p_c - (p_e + \Delta p_1 + \Delta p_3 + \Delta p_4)$$



Note!

The pressure drop across the liquid line and the distributor system must be calculated on the basis of the valve's max. capacity, as the valve operates with pulse-width modulation.

Example of calculation

of pressure drop across a valve:

Refrigerant: R 717

Condensing temperature: $35^{\circ}C$ ($p_c = 13.5$ bar) Evaporating temperature: $-20^{\circ}C$ ($p_e = 1.9$ bar)

 $\Delta p_1 = 0.2 \text{ bar}$ $\Delta p_3 = 0.8 \text{ bar}$

 $\Delta p_4 = 0.1 \text{ bar}$

This will give you the following equation:

 $\begin{array}{lll} \Delta p_{\text{valve}} = & p_c - (p_e + \Delta p_1 + \Delta p_3 + \Delta p_4) \\ & = & 13.5 - (1.9 + 0.2 + 0.8 + 0.1) \end{array}$

= 10.5 bar

The found value for "pressure drop across the valve" is used later in the section "Determination of valve size".

3. Correction for subcooling

The evaporator capacity used must be corrected, if the subcooling deviates from 4 K.
Use the actual correction factor indicated in the table.

Multiply the evaporator capacity by the correction factor to obtain the corrected capacity.

Correction factors for subcooling Δt_{sub}

Correction factor	2K	4 K	10 K	15 K	20 K	25 K	30 K	35 K	40 K	45 K	50 K
R 717	1.01	1.00	0.98	0.96	0.94	0.92	0.91	0.89	0.87	0.86	0.85

Corrected capacity = evaporator capacity x correction factor.

The corrected capacity is used in the section "Determination of valve size".

Note:

Too little subcooling may cause flash gas.

Example of correction: Refrigerant: R 717

Evaporator capacity Qe: 300 kW

Subcooling: 10 K

Correction factor according to the table = 0.98Corrected evaporator capacity $= 300 \times 0.98 = 294$ kW.



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Dimensioning (continued)

4. Correction for evaporating temperature (t_e) To obtain a correctly dimensioned valve it is important that the application is considered.

Depending on the application, the valve should have an overcapacity enabling it to cope with the extra amount of refrigeration needed during certain periods, e.g. during the defrost recovery process.

The valve's opening degree should therefore be between 50 and 75% when regulating. In this way

it is ensured that the valve has a sufficiently wide regulation range, so that it can manage changed loads at or near the normal working point. Correction factors based on the evaporating temperature are indicated below:

Correction factors for evaporating temperature (t_e)

Evaporating temperature t _e °C	5	0	- 10	-15	- 20	- 30	- 40
AKVA 10, AKVA 15, AKVA 20	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.2	1.3	1.4

5. Determination of valve size

When the valve size meeting the required capacity is selected it is important to note that the capacity indications are the valve's rated capacity, i.e. when the valve is 100% open.

In this section we tell you how the valve's size is determined.

There are three factors that have an influence on the choice of the valve:

- the pressure drop across the valve
- the corrected capacity (correction for subcooling)
- the corrected capacity for evaporating temperature

The three factors have been described earlier in this section on dimensioning. When these three factors have been established, the selection of the valve can be made:

- First you multiply the "corrected capacity" by a value stated in the table.
- Use the new value in the capacity table in combination with the pressure drop value.
- Now select the valve size.

Example of selection of valve

Use as starting point the two earlier mentioned examples, where the following two values have been obtained:

 $\begin{array}{l} \Delta p_{\text{valve}} = 10.5 \; bar \\ Q_{\text{e corrected}} = 294 \; kW \end{array}$

From tabel "Correction factors for evaporating temperature", factor 1.2 is given for the evaporating temperature -20°C.

The dimensioned capacity will then be: $1.2 \times 294 \text{ kW} = 353 \text{ kW}$.

Now select a valve size from tabel "Capacity".

With the given values $\Delta p_{valve} = 10.5$ bar and a capacity of 353 kW, AKVA 15 - 4 is selected.

This valve will have a capacity of approx. 555 kW.

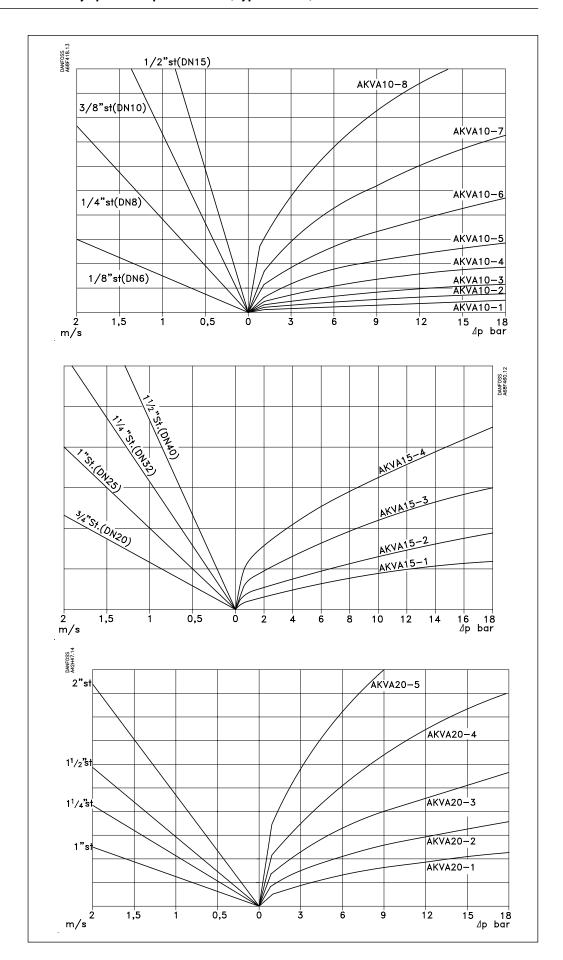
6. Correctly dimensioned liquid line

To obtain a correct supply of liquid to the AKVA valve, the liquid line to the individual AKVA valve must be correctly dimensioned. The liquid flow rate must not exceed 1 m/sec at a fully open valve.

This must be observed on account of the pressure drop in the liquid line (lack of subcooling) and pulsations in the liquid line. Dimensioning of the liquid line must be based on the capacity of the valve at the pressure drop with which it is operating (cf. capacity table), and not on the evaporator's capacity, see next page

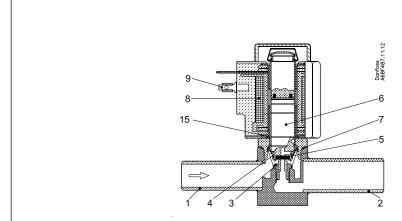


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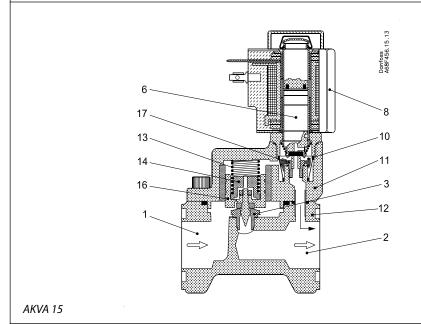




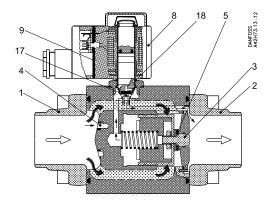
Design



AKVA 10



- 1. Inlet
- 2. Outlet
- 3. Orifice
- 4. Filter
- 5. Valve seat
- 6. Armature
- 7. Aluminium gasket
- 8. Coil
- 9. DIN plug10. Filter
- 11. Cover
- 12. Valve body
- 13. Spring14. Orifice assembly
- 15. O-ring
- 16. Piston assembly17. Pilot orifice
- 18. Pilot valve

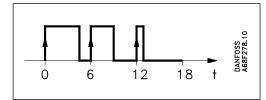


AKVA 20



Function

The valve capacity is regulated by means of pulse-width modulation. Within a period of six seconds a voltage signal from the controller will be transmitted to and removed from the valve coil. This makes the valve open and close for the flow of refrigerant.

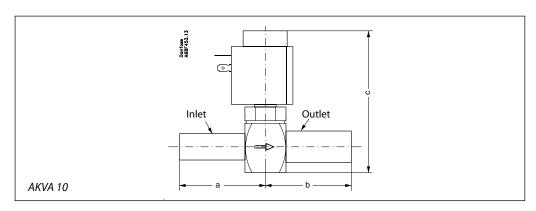


The relation between this opening and closing time indicates the actual capacity. If there is an intense need for refrigeration, the valve will remain open for almost all six seconds of the period. If the required amount of refrigeration is modest, the valve will only stay open during a fraction of the period. The amount of refrigeration needed is determined by the controller.

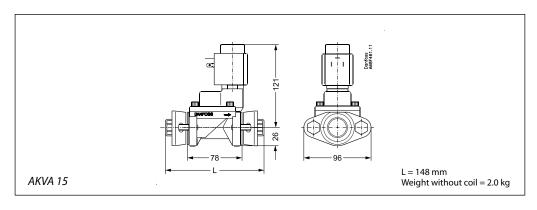
When no refrigeration is required, the valve will remain closed.

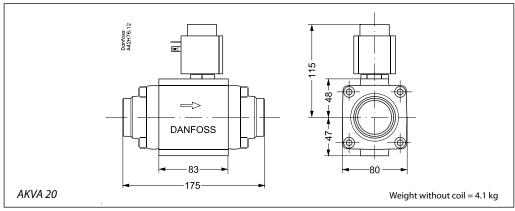
In some applications, AKVA can advantage-ously be used both as expansion valve and solenoid valve. See appendix.

Dimension and weight



		А	В	С	Connection		Weight without coil
Valve type					Inlet	Outlet	
		mm	mm	mm	in.	in.	kg
AKVA 10	$1 \rightarrow 6$	60	60	113	3/8	1/2	0.35
AKVA 10	7 → 8	60	60	113	1/2	3/4	0.35





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Appendix

Recommandations

It is important to realize when AKVA is operating, that the valve always is fully open or fully closed.

That means that this way of operation should always be considered during the refrigeration design. (Piping, liquid velocity, sub cooling etc.)

Danfoss have the following recommandations/ guidelines to be taken into considerations.

In 1:1 applications (1 evaporator, 1 condenser and 1 compressor) chillers with a small amount of refrigerant or installed in front of a Plate Heat Exchangers, it must be observed that every time the AKVA is fully open or closed it will have a significant impact on the hole system. (e.g. pressure variations on suction side).

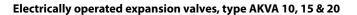
Please observe that the performance of such a system is not only related to one component. (e.g. AKVA) Other factors which is very important to include in the overall refrigeration system design:

- Liquid distribution at and design of evaporator
- total evaporator coil is of adequate length thus superheat can be controlled within the entered period time (normal 6 sec. or 3 sec.)
- mounting principle of temperature sensor, to ensure a steady and fast signal can be detected by the electronic system.

- If pressure dependent valves like, PM with pilots like CVP e.t.c., is installed between evaporator and compressor, it can effect the lifetime of PM, because the piston of the PM will operate together with operation of AKVA. Type of refrigerant and evaporator has a big influende of the size of pulsations after the evaporator and in front of the PM.
- AKVA is a direct pressure independent valve unlike TQ, PHTQ and TEAQ, which all are pressure dependent. That means that if non-Danfoss electronic controllers is used, intelligent and fast optimal control is needed, because the quick pressure changes only can be detected and compensated via the electronic control system.
- Liquid lines must be designed according to AKVA capacity and not evaporator capacity.
- To avoid flash-gas ensure sufficient subcooling or design liquid lines thus to big pressure drop is avoided, when AKVA is open.
 If not sufficient subcooling is not obtained (normally 4K) it will have an impact on the lifetime of the vale).
- Where the demand for safety level is extremely high, (e.g. Liquid Level Control in a pump seperator) an extra valve can be installed in front of AKVA to avoid leakage. This valve must be Danfoss type EVRAT.
- Always install a 100 μm filter in front of AKVA 15 and AKVA 20 valves.
- If AKVA has to be used in chillers. Please contact Danfoss.









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