

TECHNICAL BULLETIN

Audco Ball Valve

Three Piece Floating Ball Valve 44 / 459 Series





Almost 40 years ago, AUDCO'S original 3-piece valve was responsible for the development of the BALL valve market in India. The Series 44 rapidly established itself as the industry standard for quality, reliability and long service.

As you would expect, Audco has developed and improved the Series 44 over the years to maintain its position as the DN8 - DN50 valve design which others strive to equal (see Page 9). Now, Audco's new, larger valve, the DN65 - DN150 Series 459, complements the Series 44 to offer you the most versatile, reliable and widely specified range of 3-piece ball valves available.

44/459 Valve Assembly

Gland nut

Does not need to be removed for actuator mounting thereby maintaining valve integrity

Anti-static stem design

Carbon Filled PTFE Thrust Seal and Packing Ensures the Electrical Continuity between Ball and Body

Seats

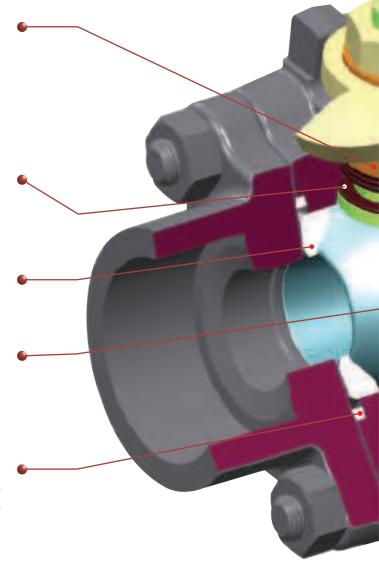
Wide range of seat materials to suit customer applications (see page 6)

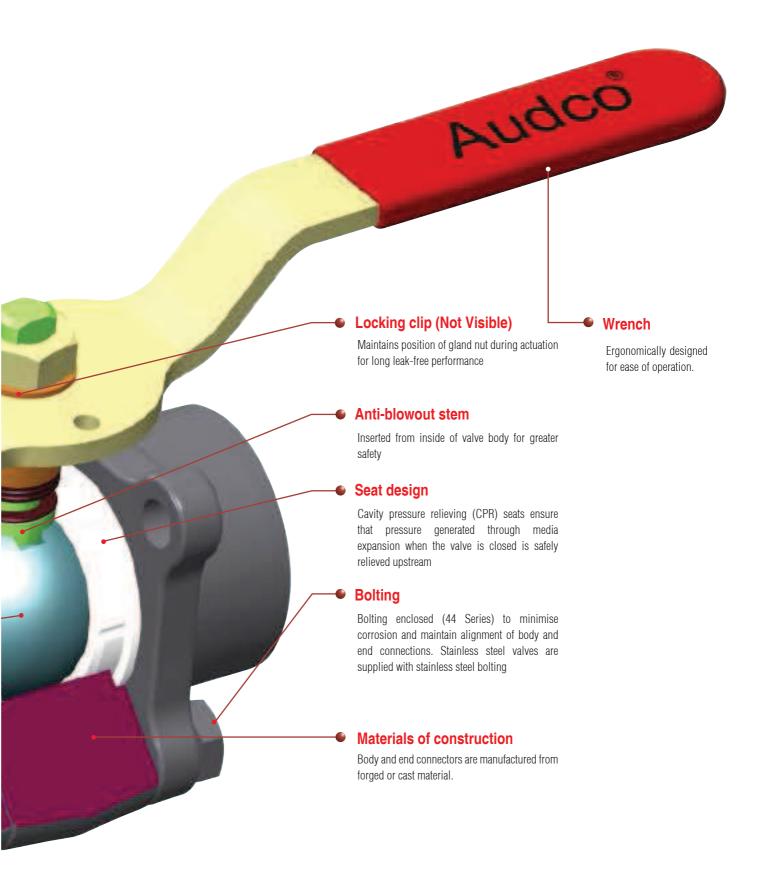
Ball

316 stainless steel as standard with pressure equalising hole to balance cavity pressure with line pressure when valve is open.

Body seals

PTFE as standard for media compatibility but can be interchanged for alternative applications

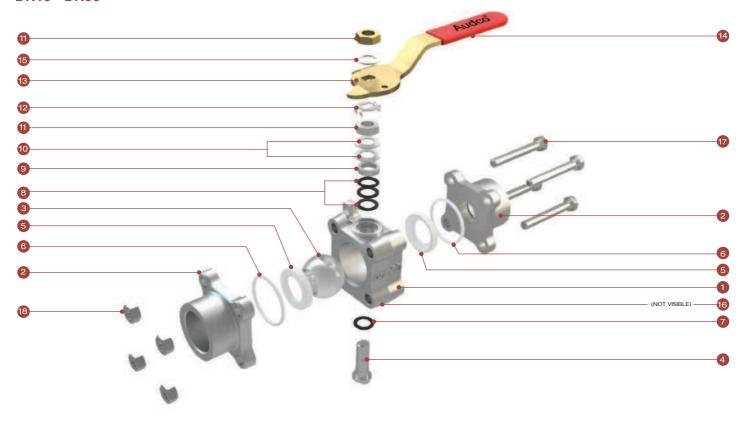


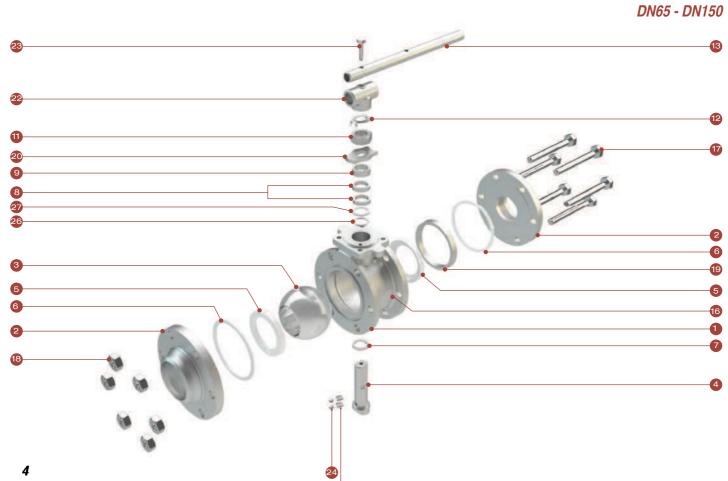




Three Piece Floating Ball Valve Parts

DN15 - DN50





Parts/Materials List

III	EM & DESCRIPTION	DN8-DN50	DN65-DN15
1.	BODY		
	Stainless Steel ASTM A351 CF8M		•
	UNS J92900	-	
	Carbon Steel ASTM A105 UNS K03504	•	
	Carbon Steel ASTM A350 LF2 UNS K03011		•
	Carbon Steel ASTM A216 WCB UNS J03002	•	•
0	BODY CONNECTOR		
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	Stainless Steel ASTM A351 CF8M UNS J92900	•	
	Carbon Steel ASTM A216 WCB UNS J03002	•	•
	Carbon Steel ASTM A105 UNS K03504	•	
	Carbon Steel ASTM A350 LF2 UNS K03011		•
3.	BALL		
	Stainless Steel ASTM A351 CF8M	•	•
	UNS J92900 Stainless Steel ASTM A479 316		
	UNS S31600 Stainless Steel ASTM A312 TP316L	•	•
	UNS S31603		•
4.	STEM		
	Stainless Steel ASTM A479 316 UNS 31600	•	•
	Stainless Steel ASTM A564 Type 630, Condition H900 & H1150 UNS S17400	•	•
5.*	SEATS (see also Pages 6)		
	PTFE Virgin	•	•
	PTFE 25% Glass Filled	•	•
	PEEK	•	•
6.*	BODY SEAL		
•			•
	PTFE Virgin Buna 'B'	•	•
	Viton		-
		•	•
7.*	STEM THRUST SEAL		
	PTFE 35% Carbon Filled	•	
	PTFE 25% Glass Filled		•
	PEEK	•	•
8.	*GLAND PACKING		
	PTFE 35% Carbon Filled	•	
	Flexible Graphite		•
9.	GLAND		
	Stainless Steel	•	•
10.	*DISC SPRINGS		
	Stainless Steel	•	
	Carbon Steel, Rust Proofed	•	
11.	*GLAND/WRENCH NUT		
	Stainless Steel	•	•
	Carbon Steel, Rustproofed	•	•

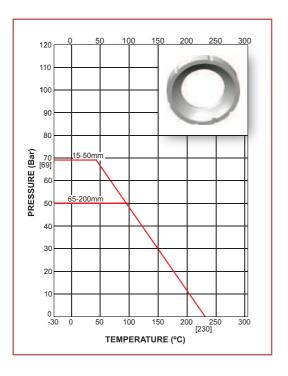
	EM & DESCRIPTION	DN8-DN50	ו אוע-פטאוע
2.	*GLAND NUT LOCKING CLIP		
	Carbon Steel, Rustproofed	•	•
3.	WRENCH		
	Stainless Steel	•	
	Carbon Steel, Rustproofed	•	•
4.	WRENCH SLEEVE		
	Vinyl Plastisol	•	
5.	SPRING WASHER		
	Stainless Steel	•	
6.	IDENTIFICATION PLATE		
	Stainless Steel	•	•
7.	BODY CONNECTOR BOLTS (see Note 1)		
	Stainless Steel	•	•
	Carbon Steel	•	•
3.	BODY CONNECTOR NUTS		
	Stainless Steel	•	•
	Carbon Steel	•	•
9.	SEAT RETAINING RING		
	Carbon Steel		•
	Stainless Steel		•
0.	STOP INDICATOR		
	Stainless Steel		•
	Carbon Steel, Rustproofed		•
1.	STOP PIN		
	Stainless Steel 316	•	•
	Carbon Steel, Rustproofed	•	•
2.	WRENCH HEAD		
	Malleable Iron, Rustproofed		•
3.	WRENCH BOLT		
	Stainless Steel		•
4.	ANTI-STATIC PLUNGER		
	Stainless Steel		•
5.	ANTI-STATIC SPRING		
	Stainless Steel		•
6.	STEM LOCATION RING		
	Stainless Steel		•
7.*	SECONDARY STEM SEAL		
	PTFE Virgin		•
	Buna 'B'		•
	Viton		•



Pressure/Temperature Ratings

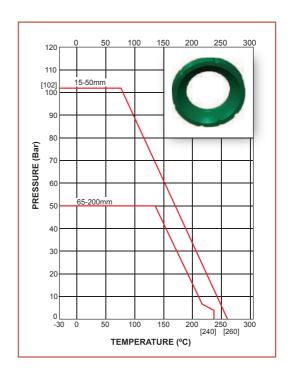
VIRGIN PTFE

Virgin PTFE is the most common sealing material and is suitable for almost all media as it has excellent chemical resistance.



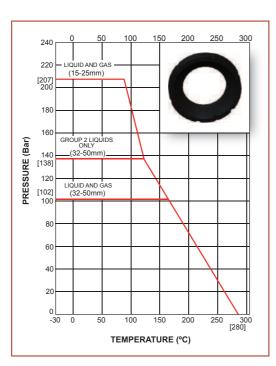
25% GLASS FILLED PTFE

Glass re-inforced PTFE material offering a greater pressure / temperature capability.



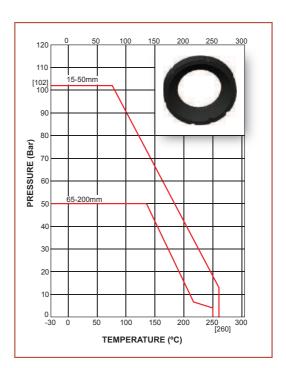
PEEK

PEEK is PolyEther Ether Ketone, a material which demonstrates outstanding pressure capabilities at elevated temperatures. PEEK has excellent chemical and abrasion resistance

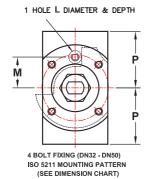


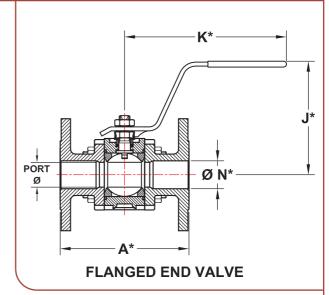
POLYFILL

Carbon, glass and graphite filled PTFE material, an excellent seat material for steam and thermal services. Due to its high cycling capabilities, it is the recommended soft seat for modulating control applications.

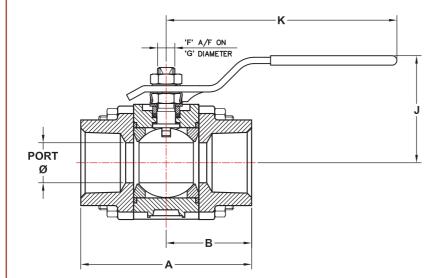


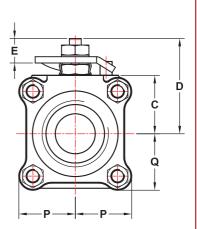
General Assembly DN15 - DN50





* THUS MARKED DIMENSIONS ARE APPLICABLE TO CLASS 150 FLANGED END VALVES.
FOR OTHER DETAILS REFER SCREWED / SOCKET END DIMENSION TABLE GIVEN BELOW.





Valve Dimensions (mm)

VALVE PORT								ST	ГЕМ										MOUNTING PLATFORM (ISO 5211)			WEIGHT (kg)	
SIZE (DN)	Ø Min.					D	E	F A/F	G THREAD					THREAD & DEPTH	М	ØN		Q	ISO SIZE	MOUNTING HOLES	PLATFORM RECESS	Screwed & Socket	Flanged Class 150
15	11.2	64.9	108.0	32.5	-	37.9	10.6	5.54 5.46	3/8"-24 UNF	58.0	95.3	136.0	149.0	-	17.0	13.7	23.9	23.9	-	-	-	0.7	1.9
20	14.4	70.6	117.0	35.3	-	40.4	10.6	5.54 5.46	3/8"-24 UNF	61.0	97.8	136.0	149.0	-	19.0	20.0	25.9	25.9	-	-	-	0.9	2.4
25	20.7	93.3	127.0	46.6	-	55.6	15.5	7.54 7.47	7/16"-20 UNF	65.0	110.6	149.0	165.0	-	22.0	25.4	32.5	32.5	-	-	-	1.6	3.1
32	25.4	105.9	140.0	52.9	36.9	60.3	15.5	7.54 7.47	7/16"-20 UNF	70.0	115.3	149.0	165.0	M5x0.8p 6.0 MIN	19.5	32.0	35.7	35.7	F04	4 OFF M5x0.8p x7.5 DEEP MIN ON 42.0 P.C.D.	Ø30.15/30.02 x4.29/3.52 DEEP	2.2	4.3
40	31.8	114.2	165.0	57.0	43.8	73.1	19.5	8.71 8.64	9/16"-18 UNF	78.0	124.9	181.0	165.0	M6x1.0p 7.5 MIN	23.0	38.1	42.1	42.1	F05	4 OFF M6x1.0p x8.7 DEEP MIN ON 50.0 P.C.D.	Ø35.15/35.02 x4.01/3.26 DEEP	3.2	6.5
50	38.2	126.7	178.0	63.3	48.6	77.8	19.5	8.71 8.64	9/16"-18 UNF	83.0	129.6	181.0	190.0	M6x1.0p 8.7 MIN	23.0	51.0	46.9	46.9	F05	4 OFF M6x1.0p x8.7 DEEP MIN ON 50.0 P.C.D.	Ø35.15/35.02 x4.01/3.26 DEEP	4.3	9.2



General Assembly DN65-DN150 .1 HOLE TAPPED 'R' DIAMETER & DEPTH MOUNTING PLATFORM DRILLING / LOCATION ISO 5211 (SEE DIMENSION CHART) STEM 'F' A/F ON 'G' DIAMETER 'H' THREADS **E2** E1 C PORT DIA В

Valve Dimensions (mm)

VALVE	PORT								STEM					R	MOUNTING PLATFORM (IS		M (ISO 5211)	
SIZE (DN)	Ø Min.					E MIN	E1 MIN	F A/F		H THREAD				THREAD & DEPTH	ISO SIZE	MOUNTING HOLES	PLATFORM RECESS	WEIGHT
65	50.8	149.74 148.11	74.46	87.57 86.87	43.83 41.50	13.15	-	14.0 13.9	-	M20x1.5p	156.1	225.0	148.0	M6x1.0p x10.0 MIN	F07	40FFM8x1.25P ON 70.0 P.C.D.	Ø54.94 / 54.90 x3.0 / 2.6 HIGH	9.0
80	63.5	170.04 168.31	84.59	101.90 101.10	51.10 48.44	19.37	16.80	15.1 15.0	21.2 21.0	M24x2.0p	200.4	350.0	168.0	M6x1.0p x12.0 MIN	F07	40FFM8x1.25P ON 70.0 P.C.D.	Ø54.97 / 54.90 x3.0 / 2.6 HIGH	13.3
100	76.2	214.67 212.94	106.9	119.90 119.10	55.70 53.04	21.67	21.00	19.3 19.2	27.2 27.0	M30x2.0p	213.5	557.0	169.0	M6x1.0p x12.0 MIN	F07	40FFM8x1.5P ON 102.0 P.C.D.	Ø69.97 / 69.85 x3.0 / 2.6 HIGH	23.0
150	102.0	299.26 297.54	149.2	147.10 146.30	73.05 70.39	30.27	28.20	26.6 26.5	32.2 33.0	M36x2.0p	274.8	850.0	256.0	M8x1.25p x12.0 MIN	F07	40FFM8x1.75P ON 125.0P.C.D.	Ø84.97 / 84.85 x3.0 / 2.6 HIGH	51.0

Standards of Compliance

Threaded Connections	Body connector screwed female to the following thread specifications: NPT ANSI B1.20.1 (NPT) BSPT ISO R/7.BS EN 10226-1 BSPP ISO R/7.BS EN 1SO 228-1
Socket Weld	Body connectors bored suitable Connections for accepting plain end pipe to the following specifications: ASME B16,11, API 5L
Butt Weld Connections	Body connectors prepared in accordance with relevant material specification & ASME code section IX. For butt welding pipe to the following specifications: API 5L BS EN 10220 schedules 80/40/10/5
Pressure Test Specification	BS EN 12266 Part 1
Design Standard	BS EN ISO 17292 (BS 5351)

Limiting Stem Input Torque

13.2	90				
24.4	165				
48.6	268				
192	1187				
336	1677				
620	3540				
1138	7758				

Notes:

- 1. When wrench not fitted flats on stem, when parallel to pipeline axis, denote ball open position.
- 2. All weld end valves are assembled with Buna 'O' ring body connector seals with the correct body seals supplied loose.

This provides for the valves to be tested by Audco, disassembled by the customer to weld in line, and reassembled.

Instructions will be supplied for fitting fire seals.

- 3. Limiting stem input torque figures are based on random practical laboratory tests.
- 4. For temperatures below -30°C, consult Audco.
- 5. Installation, Operating and Maintenance Instructions are available on request.

Flow Coefficients

Valve	e Size	Flow Co	efficients	Equivalent Length of pipe				
mm	in	Cv	Kv	Feet	Metres			
15	1/2	8.3	7.2	1.9	0.58			
20	3/4	13.6	11.8	5.5	1.67			
25	1	37.5	32.8	3	0.91			
32	11⁄4	57	49.3	3.1	0.94			
40	1½	79.7	69.1	3.9	1.19			
50	2	106	91.8	7.5	2.28			
65	21/2	188	163	150	1.52			
80	3	435	377	7	2.13			
100	4	638	553	27	8.21			
150	6	675	585	41 12.47				

Cv - Flow in US EPM pressure - psi Kv - Flow in m³/hr Pressure - bar

Standards Valve Variants



Specifically designed for on/off steam applications in conditions up to 250psi (continuous saturated steam) or 1500 psi (thermal fluids), the AW44 is available in stainless or carbon steel in sizes from DN15-DN 50 (½"-2").



The F44 is particularly suitable for hazardous areas in hydrocarbon and chemical process lines, and is anti-static and firesafe to BS EN 12266 Part 2. It is available in stainless or carbon steel from DN15 - DN 50 (½"-2").



How to Order

Valve Size	Operator	Bore	Product series	Body / Insert	Ball & Stem	Seats	Body Seal	Ends
05 - DN15	L - Lever / Wrench	R - Reduced bore* F - Full bore	44	4 - Carbon steel	4 - Carbon steel	T - PTFE	T - PTFE	AT - NPT
07 - DN20	G - Gear	F - Full Dole	F44	6 - 316 S.S	6 - 316 S.S	R - RPTFE	G - Graphite	BT - BSPT
10 - DN25	B - Bare stem for actuation		459			P - Polyfill		CT - Socket weld ends
12 - DN32	A - Actuator							F1 - ASME B16.5 CL.150
15 - DN40								F2 - ASME B16.5 CL.300
20 - DN50								
25 - DN65								
30 - DN80								
40 - DN100								
60 - DN150								

For any other additional requirement please specify. Please note that 44 & F44 series applicable up to DN50 only.

Ordering Example:

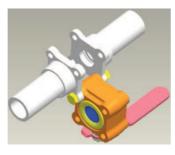
A valve size DN25 Series 44 with Cast steel body and connector, 316 ball and stem, PTFE seats, seals and screwed NPT ends with Lever operated. For these requirements catalogue numbering shall be "10LR-4446TT-AT"

^{* -} Reduced bore as a standard for 44 & F44 series. If full bore series is needed please specify.

Salient Features

THREE-PIECE DESIGN

Ball Valves featuring this design are the most easily on-line maintainable in their class. By removing three body connector bolts and loosening the fourth, the body can be swung away using the fourth bolt as the fulcrum, to carry out any installation or maintenance operation on the



valve. This feature reduces maintenance downtime to a bare minimum

FIRE-SAFE FEATURE

AUDCO fire-safe design valves feature a secondary metal-to-metal seat which renders the valve fire-safe. An integral metal lip in the body and the configuration of the soft seat are designed to prevent the





BEFORE FIRE

AFTER FIRE

softening downstream seat from being forced into the port in the event of a fire. When the seat is totally sublimated in a fire, the ball moves and rests against the lip, forming a metal-to-metal seat, thus ensuring leak-tightness. End connectors or inserts have spigoted ends to ensure concentricity and correct alignment of the ball.

MIRROR-FINISHED SS BALLS

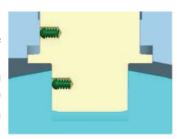
The stainless steel balls are manufactured to very close sphericity tolerances and are mirror-finished. This results in bubble-tight sealing and considerably reduced operating torque.

CAVITY PRESSURE RELIEF

AUDCO's THREE PIECE BALL VALVES come with a built-in cavity relief seat design. This feature prevents overpressure in the ball cavity due to thermal expansion of the line fluid, and finds use in applications involving volatile line fluids. In principle, when cavity pressure builds up and reaches a certain magnitude, it causes the seat lip to move away from the ball relieving the pressure. Once the pressure has relieved the seat lip returns until the pressure builds up again. All valves have a hole connecting the ball port and the body cavity to prevent build-up of trapped cavity pressure when the valve is in open position.

ANTISTATIC FEATURE

Build-up of static electricity can rubbing of the ball against the PTFE seats. This can be a potential fire hazard, especially while handling inflammable fluids. All AUDCO Ball Valves are provided with built-in antistatic design features.

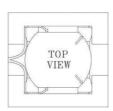


In general, this is achieved through 35% carbon-filled PTFE stem seals and Graphite gland packings to provide electrical continuity between the body and the stem / ball, discharging any build-up of static charge. In addition, spring-loaded plungers are provided between the stem and the ball from DN80 to DN150 (459 Series). Depending on the choice of seals, the designs also provide for additional spring-loaded plungers between the stem and the body for full mechanical antistatic capability.

MOULDED PTFE SEATS WITH SLOTS

PTFE seats are manufactured From moulded PTFE for a better grain structure

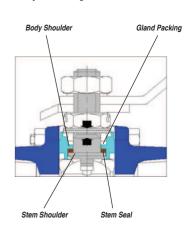
compared to other methods of manufacture. Slots are provided in the seats to relieve the pressure past the upstream seat and prevent it from being forced against the ball. These features help lower operating torques, permit higher differential pressures and reduce wear, besides extending service life.



BLOW-OUT PROOF STEM

All AUDCO Ball Valves have a bottom-entry stem design which features stem

insertion from inside the body. An integral shoulder on the stem sits against the shoulder in the body, giving it blowout proof integrity. The higher the line pressure, the tighter the seal. This design offers safety features superior to top-entry stem design where the line pressure works to break the stem seating (see illustration for typical three piece design).





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