ANSI Class Seat Leakage Comparison

Task: Calculate actual seat leakage of a typical 3-inch globe valve at all ANSI seat leakage.

- 1. Seat leakage classes define maximum allowable leakage as a percent of the valve's rated capacity, so maximum flow under test conditions must be known.
- 2. Maximum flow = maximum $C_v \sqrt{\Delta P}$
 - a. Maximum $C_v = 140$ (from manufacturers literature)
 - b. $\Delta P = 50$ psid (test condition for Classes II, III, and IV)
- 3. Flow = $140 \times \sqrt{50}$

Flow = 1,000 gallons per minute (approximate)

Class I – Not specified by ANSI. Leakage mutually agreed upon by user and supplier.

Class II - 0.5% Rated Capacity

1.000

X 0.005

5 gallons per minute

Class III - 0.1% Rated Capacity

1.000

X 0.001

1 gallon per minute

Class IV - 0.01% Rated Capacity

1.000

X 0.0001

0.1 gallons per minute (less than 1 pint)

Class V

X 0.0005

0.0015

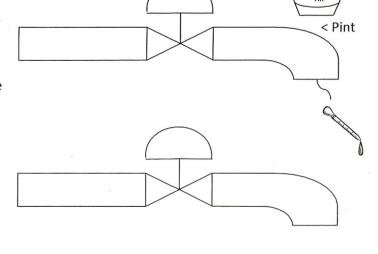
X 100

0.15 mL per minute

Or 0.00004 gallons per minute

Class VI – .09mL per minute

Or .000024 gallons per minute 6 visible bubbles per minute



5 Gallons

1 Gallon

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