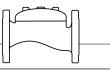
# BERMAD Fire Protection -



**400E** Series

# Level Control Valve with Modulating Horizontal Float

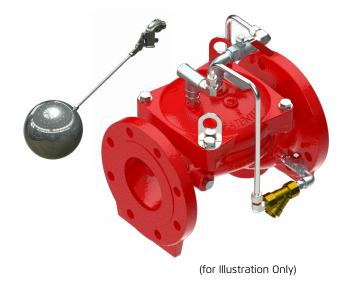
# Model FP 450-60

Reservoir filling

Low volume reservoirs

Large surface area reservoirs

The Model FP 450-60 Level Control Valve with Modulating Horizontal Float is a hydraulically controlled, diaphragm actuated, control valve that controls reservoir filling to maintain constant water level, regardless of fluctuating demand.



# **Features and Benefits**

# Line-Pressure Driven Independent operation

Modulating hydraulic float
"Always full" reservoir

#### Rugged Reliability

Single-piece fully supported rolling diaphragmObstacle-free unobstructed flow path

#### Hydraulically Restrained Actuation

- Non-slam closing
- Quiet and Smooth operation

#### High Performance

- High flow capacity
- Very low opening & closing pressure requirement

#### External Installation

- Easy access to valve & float
- Simple level setting
- Less wear and tear

#### In-Line Serviceable

Quick and easy maintenance

#### Flexible Design

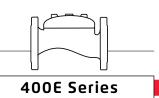
Simple addition of factory supplied features

### **Additional Features**

- Valve Position Indicator
- Valve Position Limit Switch
- Large Conrol Trim Filter

For further options, See relevant BERMAD publications.



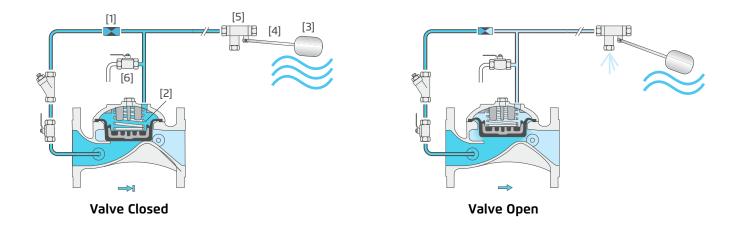


### Operation

The Model FP 450-60 is a float controlled valve equipped with a 2-way, horizontal float pilot assembly. The orifice restriction [1] allows flow from the valve inlet into the control chamber [2]. The float [3] is attached to the float pilot arm [4]. The location of the float assembly and the position of the float determines the level setting.

Should the level rise toward the setting, the float pilot [5] throttles, pressure in the control chamber accumulates causing the main valve to also throttle, reducing the filling rate, and eventually closing drip tight. Should the level fall, the float pilot releases pressure from the control chamber causing the main valve to modulate open.

The ball valve [6] enables manual override opening.



# **Engineer Specifications**

The Level Control Valve shall control reservoir filling to maintain constant water level regardless of fluctuating demand.

**Main Valve:** The main valve shall be an elastomeric type globe (or angle) valve with a rolling-diaphragm. The valve shall have an **unobstructed flow path**, with no stem guide or **supporting ribs**. The body and cover shall be ductile iron. All external bolts and nuts shall be of Stainless Steel 316. All valve components construction material shall be accessible and serviceable without removing the valve from the pipeline.

Actuation: Valve actuation shall be accomplished by a fully peripherally supported, one-piece balanced

rolling-diaphragm, vulcanized with a rugged radial seal disk. The diaphragm assembly shall be the only moving part. **Control System:** The control system shall consist of a 2-way, stainless steel horizontal float pilot assembly, a

restriction orifice, isolating and manual override ball valves, and a filter. All fittings shall be forged brass or stainless steel. The assembled valve shall be hydraulically tested.

**Quality Assurance:** The valve manufacturer shall be certified according to the ISO 9000 and 9001 Quality Assurance Standard.



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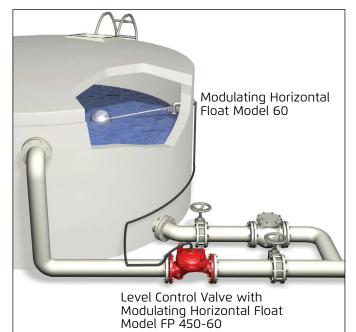
# **Typical Applications**

#### Large Fire Water Reservoirs

Mechanical level control valves present various issues:

- Valves are often at inaccessible locations
- Float and arm assemblies are heavy and cumbersome
- Relatively low maximum pressure
- Tendency for mechanical devices to leak
- Increased valve corrosion due to humid environment inside the tank
- Difficult maintenance

The Model FP 450-60 overcomes these difficulties by applying a float pilot, separated from the the valve itself, which controls a Hydraulic Valve.



### **Rooftop Reservoirs**

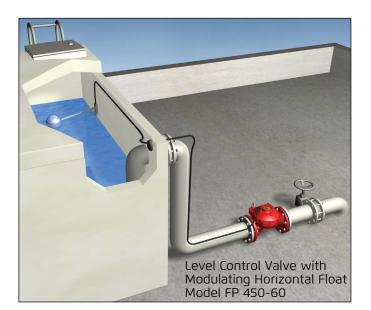
Rooftop reservoir level control is attained by electric control of the basement pumps according to reservoir level. As overflow of a rooftop reservoir can cause costly damage, hydraulic back-up protection is recommended. Where system design requires an "always full" rooftop reservoir, the Model FP 450-60 is well suited for this function.

#### Modulating

#### Level Control Valve:

- Modulates open immediately when level starts dropping
- Closes securely to prevent overflow

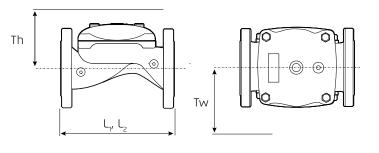
Secured closing, even after long periods of the valve being open, is ensured by the fully developed hydraulic closing force applied over the peripherally and fully supported, single piece, balanced rolling-diaphragm, vulcanized with a rugged radial seal disk.





#### Model FP 450 - 60

### **Technical Data**



Size		2″		21/2″		3″		4″		6″		8″		10″		12″	
		mm	inch	mm	inch	mm	inch	mm	inch	mm	inch	mm	inch	mm	inch	mm	inch
Dimensions	L, <sup>(1)</sup>	205	8 <sup>1</sup> /2	205	8 <sup>1</sup> /2	257	10 <sup>1</sup> /8	320	12 <sup>9</sup> /16	415	16 <sup>5</sup> /16	500	1911/16	605	2313/16	725	281/2
	L <sub>2</sub> <sup>(2)</sup>	180	7 <sup>1</sup> /16	210	8 <sup>1</sup> /4	255	10 <sup>1</sup> /16	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
	Tw	284	11³/16	284	11³/16	300	11 <sup>3</sup> /16	313	125/16	341	13 <sup>7</sup> /16	415	165/16	443	177/16	481	1815/16
	Th	210	8 <sup>1</sup> /4	210	8 <sup>1</sup> / <sub>4</sub>	215	87/16	243	9º/16	315	12³/8	350	13³/4	382	15	430	615/16

Notes:

L<sub>1</sub> is for flanged valves.
L<sub>2</sub> is for threaded NPT or ISO-7-Rp.
Tw & Th are max. for pilot system.

**Connection Standard** 

Water Temperature • 0.5 - 60°C / 33 - 140°F

ISO PN16

#### **Available Sizes**

- Globe: 11/2, 2, 21/2, 3, 4, 6, 8, 10 & 12" **Pressure Rating**
- Max. inlet: 230 psi (16 bar)
- **Manufacturers Standard Materials**

• Flanged: ANSI B16.42 (Ductile Iron),

B16.24 (Bronze), B16.1 (Cast Iron),

• Threaded: NPT or ISO-7-Rp for 2, 21/2 & 3"

B16.5 (Steel & Stainless Steel),

# Main valve body and cover

- Ductile Iron ASTM A-536
- Main valve internals
- Stainless Steel & Elastomer
- **Control Trim System**
- Brass control components/accessories
- Stainless Steel 316 tubing & fittings Elastomers
- Reinforced Polyisoprene, NR
- Coating
- Electrostatic Powder Coating Polyester, Red (RAL 3002)

#### **Optional Materials**

#### Main valve body

- Carbon Steel ASTM A-216 WCB
- Stainless Steel 316
- Ni-Al-Bronze ASTM B-148

#### **Control Trim**

- Stainless Steel 316
- Monel<sup>®</sup> and Al-Bronze
- Elastomers

#### • EPDM

- Coating
- Corrosion resistant fusion-bonded High Build epoxy coating with UV protection

#### Float Data

4. Data is for envelope dimensions, component positioning may vary.

5. Provide space around valve for maintenance

#### **Standard Materials:**

- Pilot body: Stainless Steel
- Float: Stainless Steel
- Float rod: Stainless steel
- Working temperature:
- Water up to 50°C (122°F)
- Pressure rating:
- 16 bar (230 psi)
- Ports:
- ½" ISO-7-Rp

If the inlet pressure is below 0.7 bar (10 psi) or if the differential pressure is above 10 bar (150 psi), consult the factory



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