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SA-35

Steam Atomizing Desuperheater



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The Copes-Vulcan SA-35 was developed to obtain a more uniform spray pattern under varying load conditions where no pressure drop in the steam header can be tolerated. Steam atomizing allows for higher turndown (up to 25:1) with varying load conditions.

Operational Features

Cooling liquid is introduced into the steam header through a stainless steel nozzle assembly, which uniquely divides one large jet of liquid into many small jets. Just prior to entrance into the main header, each jet is bombarded by a higher pressure steam jet, creating a fine mist which enters the stream flow without the need of a thermal liner inside the main header.

The SA-35 Desuperheater thus reduces the size of the liquid particles so that the droplets can be quickly and efficiently evaporated. Downstream temperatures can be controlled to within 15°F (9°C) of saturation.

The stainless steel nozzle is machined from one piece and shoulders into the nozzle head so that it becomes completely trapped after assembly of the nozzle clamp which is screwed and seal welded to the nozzle head. Hard faced overlay in the nozzle head minimizes erosion wear.

The thermal sleeve around the liquid tube insures uniform expansion with the steam tube, thereby minimizing thermal stresses due to unequal elongation of the liquid and atomizing steam tubes.

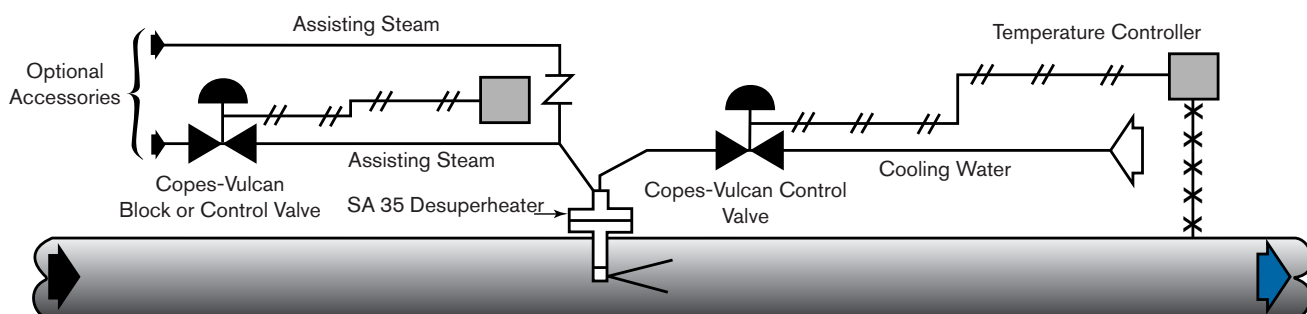
Due to its narrow silhouette, the SA-35 Desuperheater causes no appreciable restriction in the header.

This desuperheater is made in four sizes, in pressures classes up to and including class 1500. The cooling liquid is introduced through a series of small orifices which are drilled circumferentially into the nozzle. Small rectangular slots are milled ninety (90) degrees to the drilled holes. Atomizing steam passes through each of the slots and blasts each of the cooling liquid jets. Liquid pressure of only 10-40 psi (70–280 kPa) above header pressure is all that is necessary to introduce the cooling medium.

Atomizing steam flow is constant as the flow in the header decreases from maximum rate, until only atomizing steam is flowing. This results in improved atomization at low flows to offset the decreasing benefit obtained from the mixing and transporting capacity of the steam in the header at a reduced rate of flow.

This characteristic is unique, and is the reverse of most other types of desuperheaters.

Principle of Operation



Temperature impulse signal from controller actuates cooling water valve flow to desuperheater. Atomizing steam may require a pressure reducing valve and pressure controller or check valve only, depending upon atomizing steam source conditions.

Specifications

Desuperheater Size	Dimensions (Inches) - All Header Sizes																
	Mounting Flange	Water Conn.	Steam Conn.	A	B	C				D Min.	To 600 Std.			900 & 1500 Std.			
						150	300	400	600		E	H	Conn. Pipes Schedule	C	E	H	Conn. Pipes Schedule
3-4	3	.5	.5	.5	3.875	6.25	6.625	—	7	3	7	6	80	7	8	7	—
4-6	4	.75	1	.8125	4.25	6.75	7	7.5	8	4	9	6	80	8	10	7	160
6-8	6	1.25	1.5	1.125	5	7.875	8.25	8.75	9.25	6	10	6.5	80	10	11	8.5	160
8-10	8	2	2	1.375	6	8.5	8.875	9.375	10	8	11	7	80	11	13	9	160

NOTE: Any size desuperheater may be mounted on any header size larger than minimum size listed below. Extension pipe lengths are varied to locate sprayhead at center of header up to maximum size listed. No increase is made for larger headers causing head to be slightly off center.

Desuperheater Size	Header Size
3-4	4-16" (100-400mm)
4-6	6-18" (150-450mm)
6-8	8-20" (200-500mm)
8-10	10-24" (250-600mm)

Dimensions

