PG-38 & PG-45 Locking Grippers User's Guide



Warning!

Always disconnect air and electrical supply lines before working on or around grippers.

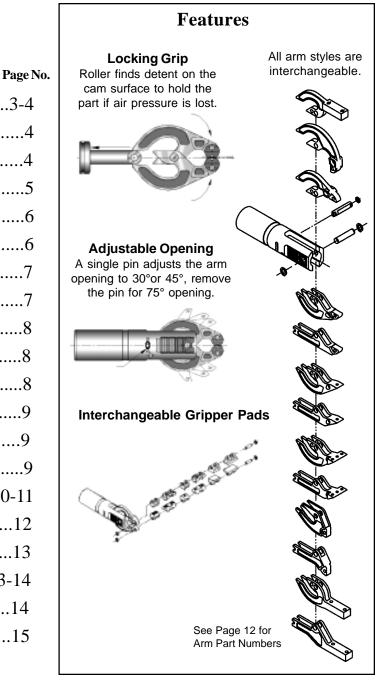
Introduction:

Item

BTM PG-38 & PG-45 Locking Grippers are designed to provide long service in a production environment. For safe operation and best results read this guide thoroughly before installing or servicing BTM grippers. For application questions contact BTM's sales department at 810-364-4567. For service issues after hours, call our service pager at 810-340-3500 to leave a message and we will return your call promptly.

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PG-38 SPECIFICATIONS

BORE: Ø38.1 [1.5"] STROKE: @ 30° = 23.9 [0.94] @ 45° = 26.2 [1.03] @ 75° = 29.3 [1.15]

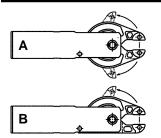
WEIGHT: 0.9kg [1.9 lbs.] ~ w/ switch 1.3kg [2.9 lbs.] GRIPPING FORCE: @ 4 BAR = .73kN [165 lbs.] @ 5.5 BAR = .98 kN [220 lbs.]

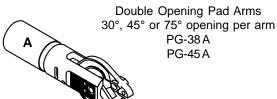
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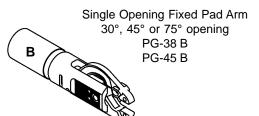
BORE: Ø44.5 [1.75"] STROKE: @ 30° = 26.9 [1.06] @ 45° = 29.2 [1.15] @ 75° = 33.8 [1.33]

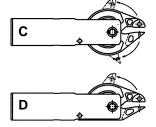
WEIGHT: 1.4kg [2.8 lbs.] ~ w/ switch 1.7kg [3.8 lbs.] GRIPPING FORCE: @ 4 BAR = 2.2kN [487 lbs.] @ 5.5 BAR = 2.9 kN [650 lbs.]

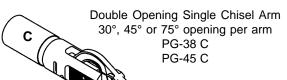
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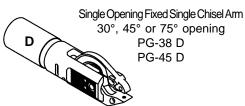


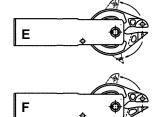


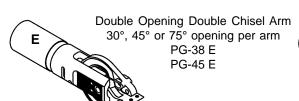


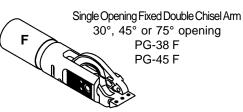


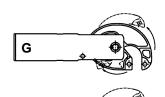


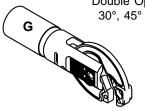




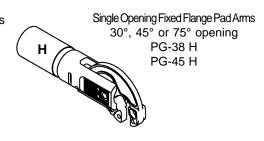


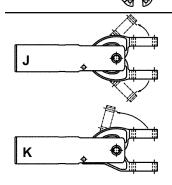


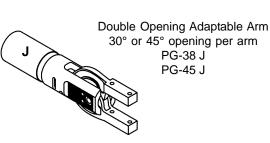


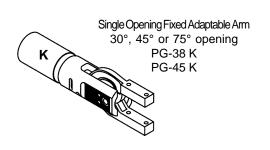


Double Opening Flange Pad Arms 30°, 45° or 75° opening per arm PG-38 G PG-45 G









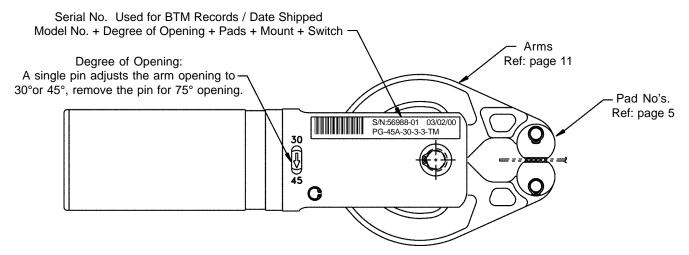
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1. Identification:

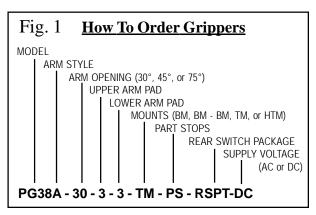
BTM PG-38 & PG-45 Locking Grippers are available in numerous configurations and allow many configuration changes to be performed in the field. It is therefore recommended to identify and record the gripper model and configuration before performing any service.

A label is affixed to each gripper prior to shipment which lists the model and serial numbers. The degree of opening and gripper pad styles must be confirmed by inspection. It is also advised to confirm the arm styles, as they may have been changed in the field.



2. How to Order PG-38 & PG-45 Grippers:

When ordering grippers, state the model number and degree of opening followed by the options required: pads, mount, part stop and switch package. (Fig. 1)



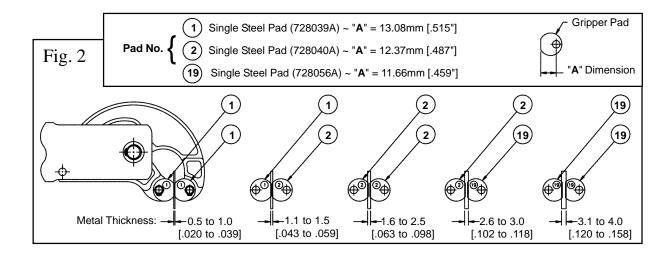
3. Operation:

- a) Recommended operating air pressure is 80 psi (5.5 bars).
- b) PG series grippers are lubricated for the life of the unit at the factory. Clean, dry air is required for operation. In-line lubrication is not required but may be used.
- c) Maximum cycle rate recommended is 1 second (1/2 second open 1/2 second close).
- d) In applications where the sheet metal hits the gripper body the optional Part Stops should be used to protect the aluminum body.
- e) Flow controls may be required to reduce impact loading if additional mass has been added to the grippers arms (generally when adaptable style arms are used).

4. Selection of Gripper Pads:

PG series grippers utilize a cam angle to generate gripping force. The thickness of the metal being gripped must therefore be compensated by the gripper pads.

Gripper pads are available in incremental sizes (see "A" Dimension- fig 2.). The distance "A" from the pads pivot point to the gripping surface is designed to accommodate a specific metal thickness range. By combining pads it is possible to achieve a secure grip on a wide range of sheet metal thickness. (Fig 2.) Pads are identified by a number and/or color code. Pads are interchangeable between PG-38 & PG-45 models.



Gripper Pad Color Coding: [P]=Pink [W]=White [Y]=Yellow

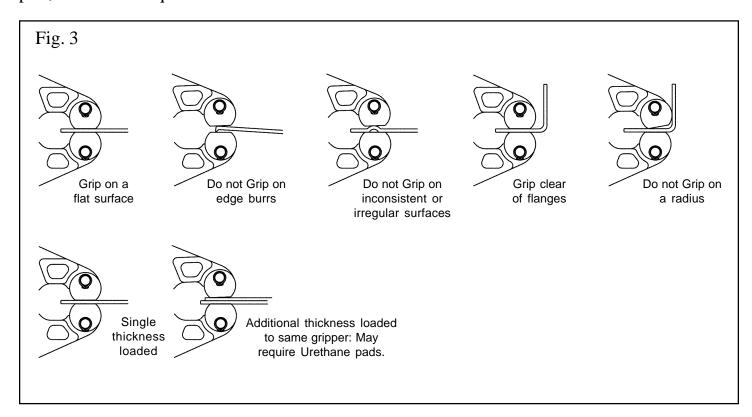
Metal Inickness	Pad Nos.	Color					
0.5 to 1.0 [.020 to .039]	1+1	3+3	5+11	7+13	11+11	13+13	Pink
1.1 to 1.5 [.043 to .059]	1+2	3+4	5+12	7+14	11+12	13+14	Pink+White
1.6 to 2.5 [.063 to .098]	2+2	4+4	6+12	8+14	12+12	14+14	White
2.6 to 3.0 [.102 to .118]	2+19	4+20	6+21	8+22	12+21	14+22	White+Yellow
3.1 to 4.0 [.120 to .158]	19+19	20+20			21+21	22+22	Yellow

Single Steel Pads For Material Thickness See Above 1 - No. 728039A [P] 2 - No. 728040A [W] 19 - No. 728056A [Y] Double Steel Pads For Material Thickness See Above 3 - No. 728037A [P] 4 - No. 728038A [W] 20 - No. 728055A [Y]		Single Point Pads For Material Thickness See Above 5 - No. 728043A [P] 6 - No. 728044A [W] Use w/ Steel or Smooth Pads or Chisel	Double Point Pads For Material Thickness See Above 7 - No. 728041A [P] 8 - No. 728042A [W] Use w/ Steel or Smooth Pads or Chisel	
Use in pairs or w/ Point Pads	Use in pairs or w/ Point Pads	\$		
Single Urethane Pads 9/60 - Soft ~ Yellow No. 728000L 9/90 - Hard ~ Orange No. 728000J Use in pairs	Double Urethane Pads 10/60 - Soft ~ Yellow No. 728000M 10/90 - Hard ~ Orange No. 728000K Use in pairs	Single Smooth Pads For Material Thickness See Above 11 - No. 728047A [P] 12 - No. 728048A [W] 21 - No. 728057A [Y] Use in pairs or w/ Point Pads	Double Smooth Pads For Material Thickness See Above 13 - No. 728049A [P] 14 - No. 728050A [W] 22 - No. 728058A [Y]	

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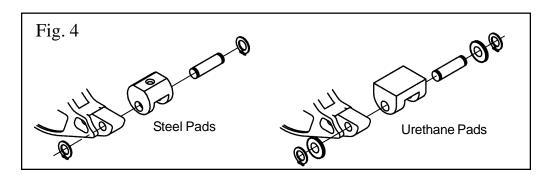
5. Application of Gripper Pads:

When selecting gripper pads, account for the high end of the metal thickness tolerance, as well as burrs or distortions which could effectively increase the real thickness as seen by the pads. Failure to consider these factors could cause the gripper to close on the part before the roller has travelled sufficiently on the cam, reducing the gripping force and/or preventing locking. Incorrect pad selection can also cause the gripper to lock on the part and fail to unlock. The gripper will then have to be opened manually (see pg. 8). Urethane pads are designed to compress on the part, and do not require different "A" sizes.



6. Changing Gripper Pads:

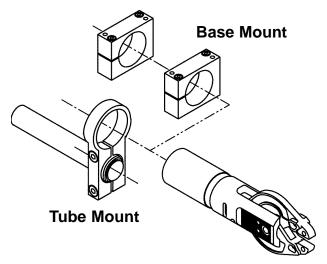
Gripper pads are retained by pins with snap rings (Fig. 4). All pads are interchangeable. Urethane pads, however, utilize washers and a longer pin. To change pads, remove the snap ring and withdraw the pin. The new pads are supplied with pins. Grease the pins with an "extreme pressure" rated grease prior to installation. Install the pads and secure the pins with the snap rings.



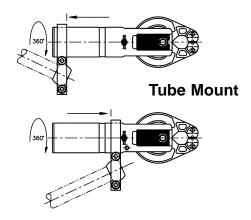
7. Gripper Mounting:

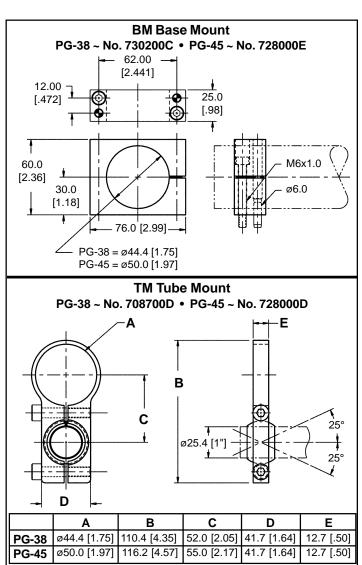
Gripper mounts are available in two styles:

The Base Mounts provide 360° rotation and linear adjustment. Two mounts per gripper are recommended. Base Mounts are generally mounted to a weldment with screws and dowels. The Tube Mount is generally used on transfer rails or BTM Robot End Arm Effectors. The Tube Mount provides 360° rotation, swiveling and linear adjustment. The 1" tube mount uses a hardened steel swivel with serrated surfaces to provide a positive locked position.



Base Mounts provide 360° rotation and linear adjustment. Tube mounts provide 360° rotation, swiveling and linear adjustment. A shoulder limits the forward mount position to protect the gripper arms.





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8. Positioning the Gripper:

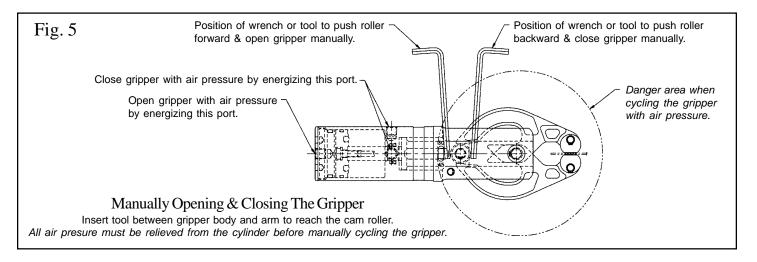
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Positioning the gripper for set up is accomplished as follows:

- a) Assemble the gripper in its mount but do not tighten the screws.
- b) With the part in its nesting or in working position, orient and lock the gripper jaws onto the part with air pressure.
- c) Tighten the screws to secure the mounting position. Torque mounting screws to 12 ft. lbs. [16 Nm] on Base Mounts, 29 ft. lbs. [39 Nm] on Tube mounts.

9. Cycling the Gripper for Set Up:

Warning: Keep clear of the gripper arm area when cycling the gripper with air pressure! When setting the gripper up for an application, it will be necessary to cycle the mechanism in order to position the gripper and ensure a secure grip on the part. The gripper can be cycled under air pressure or manually as shown in Fig. 5.



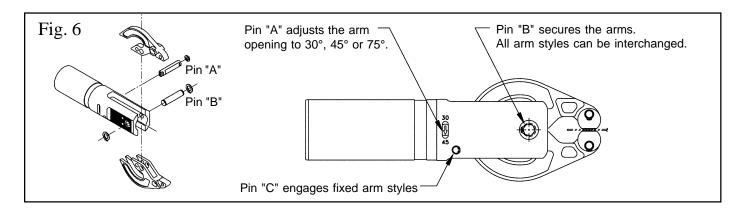
10. Manually Opening the Gripper:

Air pressure must be off when manually opening the gripper.

The manual technique shown in fig. 3 is also useful in the event that the gripper becomes locked on the part and will not open under power. This condition can be caused by using the wrong gripper pads for the metal thickness being gripped.

11. Changing the Degree of Opening of the Gripper:

The degree of arm opening can be changed easily by means of a single pin. (Fig. 6 - Pin"A"). The pin is retained by an internal snap ring. Withdraw the pin and rotate it to indicate 30° or 45°. Remove the pin to achieve the 75° opening. The degree of opening applies to each arm. *Example:* 75° opening on double opening gripper styles equals 150° total opening.



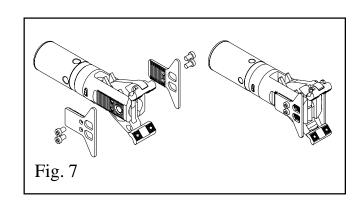
12. Changing the Gripper Arms:

All arm styles are interchangeable within each model. Arms do not interchange between PG-38 and PG-45 models.

The arms can be changed easily by means of a single pin. (Fig. 6 - Pin "B"). The pin is retained at both ends by snap rings. Remove one snap ring and withdraw the pin to remove the arms. Replace with the desired arm style. The fixed arms for single opening grippers are engaged by a pin at the rear of the bodys arm slot. *See page 12 for arms*.

13. Part Stops:

Hardened steel stops are used to position the part and protect the gripper. Serrated interlocking surfaces securely hold the part stops in position. Part stops are common between PG-38 & PG-45 models. (Fig. 7)



14. Changing Proximity Switches:

Proximity switch options are shown on pages 10 & 11. To replace a proximity switch, follow the procedure below.

- a) Remove the shielded electrical cable from the connector on the switch.
- b) Remove the two screws which retain the sensor block to the sensor can.
- c) Remove the screws which retain the switch to the sensor block.
- d) Remove the rubber wire retainer and remove the sensors from the block. Sensors may be retained either by screws or a slip fit.
- e) Reverse the procedure to install the new switch, noting that the sensor (SO2) is mounted in the closed (rear) position (Fig. 8). In some instances, the customer may have specified the (SO1) sensor in the closed position. This is designated by placing a "T" in front of the switch option on the order. *Ex: TRSPT-DC*

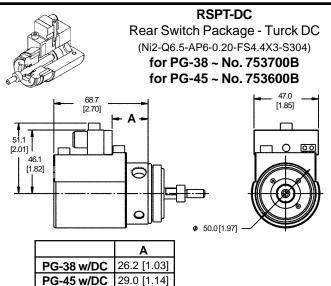
Fig. 8 Closed Position Sensor Open Position Sensor

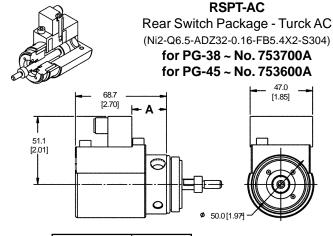
15. Proximity Switch Options



Position Sensors

Single Connector Status Controller AC or DC Proximity Switch Senses Open & Closed Positions

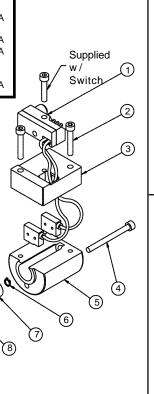




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PG-38 w/AC	26.2 [1.03]
PG-45 w/AC	29.0 [1.14]

Components					
ITEM	DESCRIPTION	QTY	PG-38	PG-45	
1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10	DC Status Controller AC Status Controller Screw Sensor Block Screw Sensor Can Retainer Prox Target End Cap Seal† O Ring † Sensing Rod	1 2 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1	018426 019328 016452 753701A 018495 744303A 005241 739501A 744401A 020293 016643 734301A	018426 019328 016452 753601A 018495 744303A 005241 739501A 744301A 020293 000271 734201A	
[†] Included in Seal Kit (see pg 12)					

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DC ~ Status Controller
Two Sensors
Supply Voltage: 10-30 VDC
Load Current: ≤150mA
Single Connector ~ Conprox®

SO. 2 reads the closed position of the gripper.

If SO. 2 is required for the open position (transposed), order:

TRSPT-DC

SO. 1

SO. 2

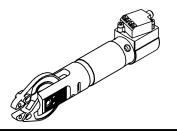
WH (BK)

3 BU

4 BK

AC ~ Status Controller Two Sensors 20-250 VAC Supply Voltage: Load Current: ≤100mA SO 1 Single Connector ~ S85 **RDBK** LOAD SO. 2 reads the closed position Ð SO 2 **RDYE** of the gripper. LOAD 3 If SO. 2 is required for the open position (transposed), order: S85 Connector TRSPT-AC GN RD

15. Proximity Switch Options



Position Sensors

Single Connector C2000 Cylindicator AC or DC Proximity Switch Senses Open & Closed Positions

RSPN-DC

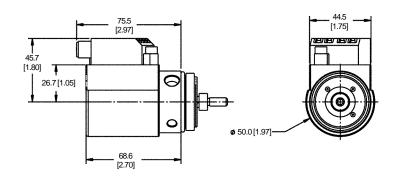
Rear Switch Package - Namco DC EE280-92140

> for PG-38 ~ No. 744400A for PG-45 ~ No. 744300A

RSPN-AC

Rear Switch Package - Namco AC EE270-92140

for PG-38 ~ No. 749700A for PG-45 ~ No. 749600A



Components

ITEM	DESCRIPTION	QTY	PG-38	PG-45
1	Screw	2	018491	018491
2	DC Cylindicator	1	019126	019126
	AC Cylindicator		019327	019327
3	Sensor Block	1	744402A	744302A
4	Screw	2	019287	019287
5	Screw	1	018495	018495
6	Sensor Can	1	744303A	744303A
7	Retainer	1	005241	005241
8	Prox Target	1	739501A	739501A
9	End Cap	1	744401A	744301A
10	Seal †	1	020293	020293
11	O Ring [†]	1	016643	000271
12	Sensing Rod	1	734301A	734201A

 † Included in Seal Kit (see pg 12)

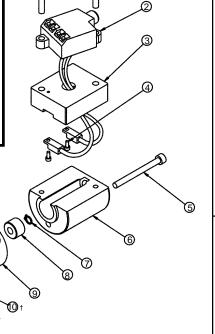
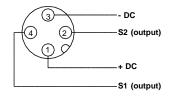


Fig. 9

DC ~ Cylindicator Two 3-Wire Sensors

Supply Voltage: 10-30 VDC Load Current: 200mA Max. Single Connector ~ Euro

SO. 2 reads the closed position of the gripper. If SO. 2 is required for the open position (transposed), order: TRSPN-DC

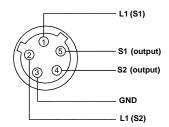


AC ~ Cylindicator

Two Wire

Supply Voltage: 20-150 VAC Load Current: 200mA Max. Single Connector ~ Micro

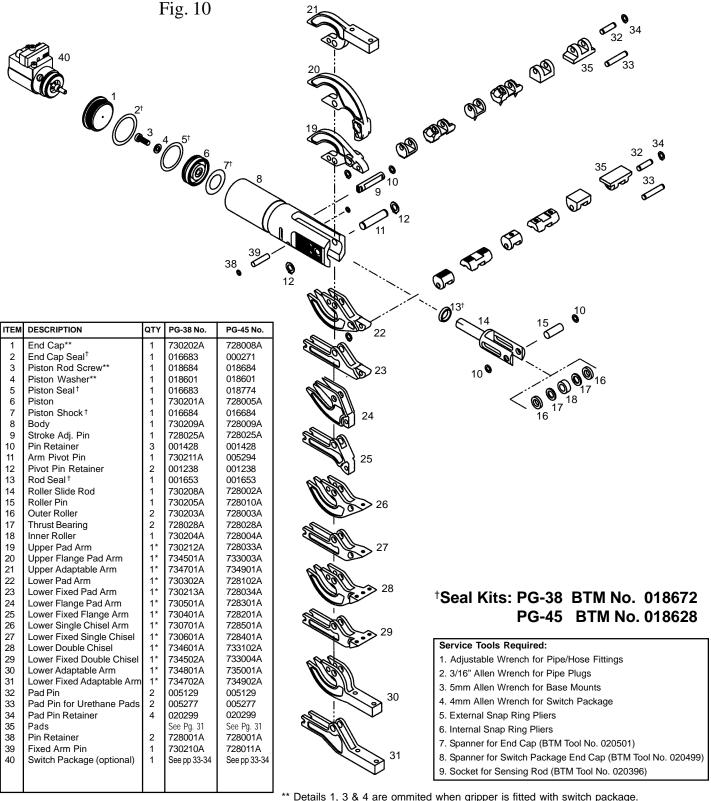
SO. 2 reads the closed position of the gripper. If SO. 2 is required for the open position (transposed), order: TRSPN-AC



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16. Components:

Typical gripper components are depicted here. Individual views for each gripper model are shown in BTM catalog 03-G.



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^{* 1} Upper & 1 Lower Arm per unit.

17. Preventative Maintenance:

- · Keep gripper pads free of contamination build up (sealant, adhesive, metal fragments, etc.). This will cause a change in gripper pad thickness. (Ref. "A" dimension in user's guide).
- · Check gripper pads and pins for excessive wear. If worn, replace with same gripper pad number and gripper pad pin. Apply an extreme pressure rated grease to the pins before installing. Recommended grease: AMOCO Rykotac EP.
- · Check gripper pads for proper "Gripper Pad vs. Material Thickness" combination. (See chart in user's guide). If incorrect, install correct pad combination. Apply an extreme pressure rated grease to pins before installing.
- The cam roller mechanism is not sealed. Check for contamination that may interfere with roller or arm movement. Clean if necessary. Apply a thin film of extreme pressure rated grease to rollers and cam surfaces of arms. Note: For heavily contaminated environments, BTM offers Sealed Power Clamps & Grippers.
- · Cylinder seals are self-lubricating and do not require in-line air lubrication. In-line air lubrication can be used, but once used it must not be discontinued.

18. Seal Replacement:

After extended service, it may be necessary to replace the grippers seals. Seal kits (page 13) containing all the required pieces are available from BTMs sales department. To replace the seals, follow the procedure outlined here. *Illustrations are referenced as Figure/detail: 10/1 (Figure 10 - Detail 1) A video tape is available from BTM which demonstrates seal replacement.* **Disassembly:**

- a) Remove the snap rings retaining the fixed arm pin (10/39), stroke adjustment pin (10/9) and arm pivot pin (10/11), and remove the pins and arms from the gripper.
- b) If a switch package is fitted, remove the screw which retains the switch package to the end cap and remove the switch package. Also remove the snap ring (9/7) and sensor target (9/8) from the sensing rod (9/12) which is now exposed.
- c) A spanner wrench is required to remove the end cap. (BTM tool no. 020499 for switch package end caps, BTM tool no. 020501 for non-switch end caps) see page 15.
- d) If no switch was fitted, remove the piston center screw (10/3) and piston (10/1). If a switch is fitted, the sensing rod (9/12) replaces the screw. A special tool (BTM tool no. 020396) is required for its removal.

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e) The roller slide rod assembly can now be withdrawn from the front of the gripper. Remove the old seals and discard. Clean all components thoroughly.

Reassembly:

- a) The rod seal is inserted in the gripper body with the sealing edge facing the cylinder bore. Insertion tools may be used to facilitate this process.
- b) Lube the cam roller with an extreme pressure rated grease (AMOCO Rykotac EP) and insert the rod assembly into the body. Reinstall the fixed arm anchor pin and snap rings.
- c) The piston o-ring and shock are installed. An adhesive such as Loctite "Black Max" is used to secure the shock o-ring. Grease the piston with extreme pressure rated grease and insert it into the cylinder with the shock facing inward.
- d) Apply VibraTite Formula 3 to the threads of the sensing rod and install it to the piston rod. A special socket (BTM tool no. 020396 available from BTM's sales department) is used to tighten the sensing rod. Torque the rod to 120 inch pounds. If no switch is fitted, the center screw is used.
- e) If a proximity switch is fitted, the end cap sensing rod seal is inserted with the groove facing the cylinder bore. The end cap o-ring seal is then installed.
- f) A spanner wrench is required to install the end cap. (BTM tool no. 020499 for switch package end caps, BTM tool no. 020501 for non-switch end caps)
- g) Install the switch and arms as outlined in sections **12** & **14** (page 9) and test the unit for proper operation.

19. Warranty:

BTM Corporation warranties its PG 38 and 45 grippers against defects in material and workmanship for (1) million cycles or a period of (1) year after the ship date from BTM which ever comes first.

This warranty is limited to replacing or repairing at BTM's option, F.O.B. BTM's factory, any part found by BTM to be defective in materials and/or workmanship. Any application of a BTM product outside the intended use of the product shall not be warranted by BTM Corporation. Furthermore, BTM will not be liable for any expenses incurred for repairs or replacement made outside BTM's facilities without written consent (or damages arising out of such replacements or repairs). Under no circumstances will BTM be held responsible for any consequential damages.

The warranty is limited to the repair or replacement of the defective part(s) and does not include installation.

This warranty is the only warranty extended by the seller in connection with any sale made hereunder and is in lieu of all other warranties, express, implied or statutory including warranties of merchantability and fitness for purpose.

Special Assembly Tools For BTM PG-38 & PG-45 Grippers



Sensing Rod Torque Tool

Part No. 020396



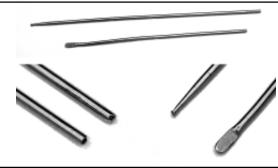
End Cap Spanner Wrench

Part No. 034263



Switch Package Spanner Wrench

Part No. 020501



Seal Insertion Tools
Fits All Models



Seal Removal Tools
Fits All Models

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