

TS170 Large Area Sprinkler *Operating Manual*



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1. General

We presume that you are experienced in the field of irrigation. We have therefore kept these instructions brief and included only the information that it is imperative for you to have to use this product.

Any warranty claims can be accepted only if the sprinkler is used in accordance with these operating instructions and if any defect emerges within the warranty period.

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2. Safety

These operating instructions contain some fundamental instructions that must be followed when installing, operating, servicing and maintaining the sprinkler. It is therefore imperative that these instructions are read by the installer and the relevant specialised staff / operators prior to installation and startup.

Attention must be paid not just to the general safety information set out in this 'Safety' section, but also to the special safety instructions included in the other sections.

2.1. Use of symbols in these operating instructions

Where failure to follow safety information can place individuals at risk, such information is specifically marked in these operating

instructions with the general danger symbol:





Warning of potential hand injuries



Warning of potential automatic start-up

In the case of safety information, where failure to follow it can damage the sprinkler and/or impair its

function, you will see the word:



2.2 Proper use

The sprinkler is used for the even distribution of water onto lawns, green spaces and sports fields laid with natural or artificial grass. The water should be pre-cleaned and free of any coarse or fibrous contamination. The water and ambient temperatures must be below the limits specified in the technical data.

2.3 Clearly improper use

- Operation of the pop-up sprinkler by unauthorised personnel (if the control unit is freely accessible).
- Operation of the sprinkler with the acrc to be watered wrongly set, e.g. as the result of vandalism. This can result in the jet of water being directed to the side away from the grassed area.

2.4 Safety information



Read the operating instructions, especially the safety information, before starting any work on or with the sprinkler.

The specific safety instructions appear at the start of each section.

2.5 Dangers of failing to observe safety instructions

Failure to observe safety instructions can result both in people being placed at risk and in damage to the environment and machine. Failure to observe safety instructions can lead to the loss of any rights to claim compensation.

3. Description



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3.3 Special tools

RT17839	TS170 Retaining Ring Removal Hook	Remove retaining ring	
RT17844	TS170 Retaining Ring Pliers	Fit and replace retaining ring	
RT25359	TS170 Valve Lifter	Remove valve	
ZB98236	TS170 Face Hole Key	Piston motor cover	
RB25380	TS170 Flush Insert	Flush main line	
RB25189	TS170 Assembly Key for Nozzle	Changing nozzle	
ZB98297	TORX-key T25	For screws at the housing – guide housing	
ZB98289	TORX-key T20	for screws at the lid	

4. Technical data

Recommended operating pressure	58 to 116 psi
Permitted operating pressure	58 to 145 psi

WARNING! The pressure at the sprinkler must not exceed 145 psi.

Connection thread:	G2" NPT
Liquids:	Water
Liquid temperature:	104° F max.
Ambient temperature:	140° F max.

For further data see separate data sheet.

5. Assembly, set-up and installation

5.1 Hazard warnings



If any impurities get into the sprinkler, it is possible that the sprinkler could be destroyed and that installers could be injured. Flush out the line thoroughly before connecting the water supply.



Any unexpected emergence of a jet of water can lead to serious injury. Make sure that the installation has been fully completed before turning on the water supply.

5.2 Installation instructions

- The thread connection on the pop-up sprinkler is 2" NPT.
- For the thread seal, use hemp and sealing compound, e.g. Fermit Spezial.
- The pop-up sprinkler should be fitted in accordance with the 'TS170 pop-up sprinkler installation diagram' (see next page). In order to avoid any load pressure on the main line, you should definitely use a flexible connection.
- Providing a drainage pit directly connected to the drainage, as shown in the installation diagram, is very much recommended.
- For screwing in the connection joint the housing or housing edge of the pop-up sprinkler can be firmly held or clamped.





TS170 sprinkler has to be installed in that way, that the top accessible cable box is on the side of the irrigated area.

5.4 Installation scheme for TS170 with rubber infill lawn



Drainage layer

5.4.1 Handling the TS170 pop-up sprinkler with filled synthetic turf



Remove plug so that the lid and the cable shaft cover can be disassembled / assembled see 8.6.







Operation of the manual control using an engineered flat-blade screwdriver (.04" x .35"). Manual control can be opened by turning the engineered flat-blade screwdriver through the cross shaped rubber protection see 6.2. Startup

Turn to the left – AUTO position Turn to the right – OFF Approx. 1-2 full rotation to the left – ON



5.5 External start using key switch

There is a safety circuit with key-operated switch for checking whether any unauthorized people are in the danger zone / area to be watered.

The key-operated switch gets fitted in a position from which the whole danger zone can be clearly seen. Watering begins only when the operator gives the all-clear by turning the key.

5.6 Cabling

3-core cable laid during installation to the TS170 pop-up sprinkler's electrical connection. The cable is pulled through the right or left opening on the bottom of the housing into the cable compartment.





The DBR/Y-6 cable connector kit (article no.: ZH90032) for connecting the control cable to the coil fitted inside the sprinkler.

Opening the cover of the cable compartment and attach cable connector.

The cables remain in the compartment provided for the purpose and get closed off with the cover for the cable shaft.

The electrical connection is thus not exposed to the soil, but is instead protectively integrated inside the sprinkler and accessible again at any time. This simplifies any search for faults and any maintenance work can be carried out at any time without any earthwork.



6. Startup and Operation

6.1 Potential danger



When it starts up, the pop-up sprinkler rises up out of the housing and builds up full pressure within about 5 seconds. The jet of water emitted can cause injury. For this reason the following guidance must be followed when and operating the sprinkler:

- When the sprinkler is being operated in automatic mode, there must be nobody present in the area.
- Operating personnel must not stand in the direction of the sprinkler's jet. The jet's direction is marked on the cover by an arrow.





If the sprinkler is not installed flush with the ground, people may be injured by a fall as a result of stumbling or tripping. Therefore check prior to and regularly during ongoing use whether the sprinkler cover shuts flush with the surrounding ground.



The sprinkler must not be operated without a closed cover for the cable compartment. During operation the sprinkler head props itself against the edge of the cover and cannot rotate freely without the cover.

6.2

a) Check electrical function:

Before any water supply to the sprinkler is opened, activate the coil by means of the controller. If you hear a 'clicking' sound from the coil, the electrics are working properly. (The click is produced by the movement of the armature.)

b) Ensure that <Manual opening> is set to AUTO (turn screw for <Manual opening> as far as it will go to the left). This setting ensures that after water is supplied the sprinkler closes if it has no power.

c) Slowly open supply of water to the valve until operating pressure is built up. It is possible that the sprinkler will briefly open, but should then automatically close after at most 30 seconds.

d) Once the water supply has been opened and max. operating pressure has been reached, check sprinkler and connection for leaks.

e) Check that sprinkler is working properly: Open sprinkler using <Manual opening> by moving the screw for <Manual opening> into the position between AUTO and OFF (approx. 1 rotation). Sprinkler head rises and starts to rotate.



f) Close <Manual opening> and put into AUTO position (see point 6.2b).

Sprinkler must stop water flow within 30 seconds.

g) Keep repeating steps 'e' and 'g' until the sprinkler is working faultlessly.

h) Check once again that it works correctly when activated electrically from the controller.



The following points 6.3, 6.4 and 6.5 should ideally be carried out with the sprinkler running. First fold out the safety catch to the side of the sprinkler head (below) so that no limbs (e.g. fingers) can get jammed if the sprinkler should unexpectedly close.



No special procedures are needed to set the sprinkler. All you need to set are the sprinkler's rotational speed and, when using it in back-and-forth mode, the arc to be watered.

6.3 Setting the Arc

With this pop-up sprinkler the arc setting is infinitely variable. You can adjust the area to be watered by pulling on the relevant end of the top or bottom spring stop.

Setting the arc angle



Infinitely variable setting is possible by pulling (not pressing) on the relevant and of the top or bottom spring stop





6.4 Full-circle irrigation

For full-circle irrigation the spring stops need to be removed. First, the sprinkler module needs to be removed from the housing. (See point 8.3).



Pull spring stop apart at both ends only to such extent that they can just be slid off. If the spring stops get overextended, it will not be possible to use them any more for back-and-forth operation.



Gently pull both spring stops apart and remove downwards.

Now splay the spring stops over the sliding pipe and pull off.

New spring stops are fitted in reverse order. Any overextension of the spring stops must be avoided, as otherwise it can no longer be certain that they will fit tightly and it will no longer be possible to set the irrigation arc's switch-over point when reverting to arc operation.

6.5 Regulating the speed

Turning the regulating screw to the right reduces the rotational speed.



It is possible for the sprinkler to be completely stopped when the speed-regulating screw is turned to the right.

If you turn it to the left, the rotational speed gets increased again.



Irrigate at reduced speed only if the water is clear. If the water is dirty, the regulating screw must remain fully opened. Otherwise there is a risk of the sprinkler stopping



7. Shut down and preparing for winter

For shut down, please turn off the water supply and electricity supply of the pump.

7.1 Preparing for winter

During times of possible frost please ensure that there is no standing water in the sprinkler. The TS170 sprinkler has an automatic emptying system.

The sprinkler has a discharge valve and can thus be emptied by gravity. To do this, the water is let out at the deepest point of the main pipe, as a result of which the sprinkler empties itself. (Deep point emptying) The remaining water in the piston drive causes no damage in the event of freezing. If the sprinkler is taken back into use despite there still being ice in the piston chamber, then, at an ice temperature of approx. -4° F, it will take around 15 minutes until the drive is thawed out.



Electrically activate the solenoid several times so that any residual water is pushed out of the coil cavity.

During the winter we recommend activating the coil for approx. 1 minute twice a week.

7.2 Springtime

As a result of the change of load and diverse installation conditions (damp/dry), the head of the piston sprinkler is subjected to extreme tensions. These circumstances can lead to the piston acquiring some axial play. In order to avoid any operating problems, the piston cover should be tightened as described below during spring in the first and second year of operation.



Before the grey cover can be tightened, the lock screw needs to be removed.

After firmly tightening the grey cover, twist in the new lock screw again.



The lock screw prevents the grey cover from working itself loose.



Tighten cover using face spanner ZB98236 and approximately 10Nm of torque. That means, with a lever length of 4", you need to apply a force of 100N to the spanner.

After the third or fourth winter, there should be no further expansion.





If the lock screw cannot be screwed in, it will hit a piston drive bracing rib. In this case, the grey cover

must be tightened a bit more so that the lock screw misses the bracing rib. The orientation of the bracing ribs is indicated by marker points.

8 Maintenance and repair work



An unexpected jet of water can cause serious injury. Prior to any maintenance or repair work ensure that the water supply is securely turned off.

8.1 Maintenance

- After one year of use, tighten the M6 flange screws (8 of them) using a 10mm box spanner to ensure that the sprinkler module is fixed firmly in place. Tightening torque 9 +1Nm.
- Clean out the inside of the sprinkler housing using an industrial vacuum cleaner or similar (as necessary).
- Cut sprinkler housing free of any overgrowing grass. It makes sense to carry out these jobs prior to spring .
- Regularly check that the sprinkler is flush with the surface, especially in the case of natural grass.



8.2 Replacing the nozzle

When changing the main nozzle the nozzle's thread should be cleaned and greased. This enables the nozzle to be easily loosened by hand (using the assembly key RB25189) and just as easily tightened again.

wrong position	correct position	When fitting the nozzle make sure that the fun- nel gets pushed on in the right position. (See picture.)
		If the funnel is not properly fitted first, the nozzle cannot be screwed into the manifold head.
		WARNING! WARNING! When fitting the new nozzle, make sure that the nozzle gets fully screwed in, that the main secondary nozzle points downwards (6 o'clock position) and that the sealing ring is correctly fitted (figure 5).

8.3 Removing the Valve Insert

The sprinkler module needs to be taken out of the housing in order to carry out the repairs described below.

- Unscrew cover using 5mm Allen key.
- Remove the 8 flange screws using a 10mm box spanner



- Pull sprinkler module out of the housing.
- Remove retaining ring in the housing bottom using removal hook RT17839.
- Screw valve lifter RT25359 in the housing base onto the valve and pull upwards. It is possible that for this a few gentle hits may be necessary in order to take off the valve.

8.4 Fitting the valve insert

- Fitting the valve using valve lifter RT25359.
- Prior to fitting, check valve for any damage to the membrane.
- Check for any dirt and clear away.
- Screw the valve insert with the stainless steel onto the valve lifter. The chambered surface of the stainless steel must point to the valve insert. The valve insert must be greased slightly at the sealing beads and before it is pushed back into the housing.
- In order to make fitting easier, the membrane can be lubricated with oil or grease.
- Insert the valve down into the guide housing by applying some gentle taps.
- Using pliers RT17844, now fit the retaining ring into the groove provided for it above the thrust washer.



8.5 Cleaning the piston drive and piston drive chamber

If due to becoming very dirty the drive is no longer working, the piston drive should be taken out and cleaned.

Removing the piston drive: (See repair guide TDP055-rep.)

8.6 Removal / installation of the control unit



Ensure sprinkler is not under pressure.

Taking out the control unit



- Lift cover and fix with safety catch.
- Undo all 3 locking screws and take off cable compartment cover.
- Unclip control unit from protective casing and lift up.
- Twist out coil.

• When replacing the control unit, cut off the hoses as close as possible to the unit's grommet.



Fitting the control unit

• When buying a replacement part, the control unit is supplied with plug-and-socket connections. Push hoses into plug-in grommets as far as they will go and ensure that the mounting ring springs back.



Please ensure that the hoses are fitted in the correct position. Otherwise the sprinkler will not work.

- Otherwise the sprinkler will not work.
- Screw in coil.
- Clip control unit into protective casing.
- Secure housing cover using all three screws.
- Check sprinkler is working properly as per point 6.2.

9. Troubleshooting

9.1 Sprinkler malfunctions

Malfunction	Cause	Remedy
Sprinkler not rotating or only very slowly. Sprinkler not rotating at all.	Dirty water. Speed regulator set to minimum. Blocked	Fully open regulating screw, dirt gets flushed out Clean filter See points 8.4 and 8.5
	Defective piston drive	Piston drive must be replaced, see repair instructions TDP055e-rep
Sprinkler has poor jet	Nozzle / funnel is blocked	Unscrew nozzle, remove and clean. When fitting nozzle, make sure it is in correct 12 o'clock position; grease nozzle thread.
Arc angle gets bigger during operation.	Spring stop is loose. Spring force has slackened. Spring stop has been overextended.	Fit new spring stop.
Sprinkler's bearing is leaking.	Groove ring is worn out.	Can be repaired only by the manufacturer.
Valve opens/closes only with manual opening, but not on any	Screw for <manual opening=""> is set to OFF</manual>	Turn screw to the left as far as it will go, to Auto.
electric signal	Core is jammed in the coil	Remove coil and clean core
	No / inadequate power supply	Establish 24V AC power supply
	Defective coil	Check coil resistance (should be approx. 35 ohms) and replace if necessary
	Relief channel for coil blocked	Clean channel
Valve fails to open even with manual opening	Control water hole or relief hole blocked	Clean control water / relief hole
	Supply line under no / insufficient pressure	Establish pressure supply
Valve fails to close	Coil seat dirty	Clean coil seat
	Bits of dirt between valve seat and sealing plate	Clean valve seat and sealing plate
	Defective membrane	Remove valve and replace mem- brane
	Control water filter dirty	Clean control water filter
Output pressure at sprinkler nozzle too low or casting range too	Stones and bits of dirt are hinder- ing an unimpeded passage of water	Clean valve and flush sprinkler
short	Valve insert is blocked	Clean valve insert see point 8.3

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