



Technology for Vacuum Systems

**Instructions for use**



**ME 4R**

**Diaphragm pump**

Dear customer,

Your VACUUBRAND diaphragm pumps should support you for a long time without trouble and with maximal power. Thanks to our long practical experience we have much information how you could ensure powerful application and personal safety. Please read these instructions for use before the initial operation of your pump.

VACUUBRAND diaphragm pumps are the result of many years of experience in construction and practical operation of these pumps combined with the latest developments in material and manufacturing technology.

Our quality maxim is the "zero fault principle":

Every diaphragm pump, leaving our company, is tested intensively including an endurance run of 18 hours. Therefore also faults, which occur rarely, are identified and can be eliminated immediately.

The achievement of the specifications after the endurance run is tested for every pump.

**Every VACUUBRAND pump achieves the specifications. We feel obliged to this high quality standard.**

We know that the vacuum pump can not take a part of your real work and hope that our products contribute to an effective and trouble-free realisation of your work.

Yours

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Attention! Important notes!



Not permitted! Misuse may cause damage.



Caution! Hot surface!



Isolate equipment from mains.



Note.

## Safety information!



Remove all packing material, remove the product from its packing-box, remove the protective covers from the inlet and outlet ports and keep, inspect the equipment. If the equipment is damaged, notify the supplier and the carrier in writing within three days; state the item number of the product together with the order number and the supplier's invoice number. Retain all packing material for inspection.

**Do not use the equipment if it is damaged.**

If the equipment is not used immediately, replace the protective covers. Store the equipment in suitable conditions.

- ☞ **Read and obey this manual before installing or operating the equipment.**
- ☞ Transport the pump at the provided handle.

Use the equipment **for the intended use only**, that is to generate vacuum or to compress gases in vessels designed for that purpose.

- ☞ Prevent any part of the human body from coming in contact with the vacuum or the overpressure.
- ☞ Obey notes on correct vacuum and electrical connections, see section "Use and operation".
- ☞ Make sure that the individual components are only connected, combined and operated according to their design and as indicated in the instructions for use.



Obey **national safety regulations and safety requirements** concerning the use of vacuum and electrical equipment.

- ☞ Equipment must be connected only to a **suitable fused and protected electrical supply** and a suitable earth point. Failure to connect the motor to ground may result in deadly electrical shock.
- ☞ The supply cable may be fitted with a moulded European IEC plug or a plug suitable for your local electrical supply. If the plug has been removed or has to be removed, the cable will contain wires colour coded as follows: green or green and yellow: earth; blue or white: neutral; brown or black: live.
- ☞ Check that mains voltage and current conform with the equipment (see rating plate).
- ☞ If the equipment is brought from cold environment into a room for operation, allow the equipment to warm up (pay attention to water condensation on cold surfaces).
- ☞ Make sure ventilation is adequate if pump is installed in a housing or if ambient temperature is elevated.



Obey all **relevant safety requirements** (regulations and guidelines) and adopt suitable **safety measures**.

- ☞ Provide a firm level platform for the equipment and check that the system to be evacuated is mechanically stable and that all fittings are secure.

**Attention:** Flexible elements tend to shrink when evacuated.

- ☞ When **operating the pump as a pressure pump**, ensure that the maximally generated overpressure is compatible with the mechanical stability of the pressure vessel. Overpressure may be generated only in vessels which are designed for that purpose. **Risk of bursting!**

**Attention:** Obey the maximally admissible pressure (**4 bar absolute**) at the outlet. If necessary install an overpressure safety relief device. Flexible elements tend to expand when pressurised.

- ☞ Obey **maximum permitted pressures** and pressure differences, see section "Technical data". Do not start the pump with overpressure at the inlet.



Do not permit any **uncontrolled pressurizing** (e. g. make sure that the exhaust pipeline cannot become blocked). **Risk of bursting!**

- ☞ Ensure that the system design does not allow the exhaust pipeline to become blocked unintentionally.
- ☞ Avoid overpressure of more than 0.2 bar at the inlet in case inert gas is connected.
- ☞ The diameter of the inlet and outlet pipeline should be at the least as large as the diameter of the pump connection pipelines.



To the best of our knowledge the equipment is in compliance with the requirements of the applicable EC-directives and harmonized standards (see "Declaration of conformity") with regard to design, type and model, especially directive IEC 1010. This directive gives in detail conditions, under which the equipment can be operated safely (see also IP degree of protection).

- ☞ Adopt suitable measures in case of differences, e. g. using the equipment outdoors, installation in altitudes of more than 1000 m above mean sea level, conductive pollution or dewiness.



Pay attention to symbol "hot surfaces" on the equipment (according to IEC 1010 recommendation).

- ☞ Adopt suitable measures to prevent any danger arising from the formation of hot surfaces or electric sparks.



### **The pumps have no approval for operation in or for pumping of potentially explosive atmospheres.**

If pumping **different substances**, purge the pump with inert gas prior to changing the pumped media in order to pump out residues and to avoid reactions of the pumped substances with each other with and the pump material. Ensure that the materials of the wetted parts are compatible with the pumped substances, see section "Technical data".

### **Take into consideration interactions and chemical reactions of the pumped media.**

The pumps are **not suitable** for pumping substances which may form **deposits** inside the pump.

- ☞ If there is a danger of the formation of **deposits** in the pump chamber (check inlet and outlet of the pump) inspect the pump chamber regularly and clean if necessary.

The pumps are **not suitable** to pump **unstable substances** and substances which react explosively under **impact** (mechanical stress) and/or when being exposed to **elevated temperatures** without air.

The pumps are **not suitable** to pump **self inflammable** substances, substances which are inflammable without air and **explosive substances**.

The pumps are **not suitable** for pumping dust and have **no approval** for operation below ground.



Ensure that the materials of the wetted parts are compatible with the pumped substances, see section "Technical data".

- ☞ Adopt suitable measures to prevent the release of dangerous, explosive, corrosive or polluting fluids.
- ☞ Use inert gas for venting if necessary.
- ☞ The user must take suitable precautions to prevent any formation of explosive mixtures in the expansion chamber. In case of a diaphragm crack, mechanically generated sparks, hot surfaces or static electricity may ignite these mixtures.
- ☞ Take adequate precautions to protect people from the effects of dangerous substances (chemicals, thermal decomposition products of fluoroelastomers), wear appropriate safety-clothing and safety glasses.
- ☞ Obey applicable regulations when disposing of chemicals. Take into consideration that chemicals may be polluted.

Motor is shut down by a **thermal cutout** in the winding.

- ☞ Manual reset is necessary. Switch off the pump or isolate the equipment from mains. Identify and eliminate the cause of failure. Wait approx. five minutes before restarting the pump.
- ☞ **Attention:** In case of **supply voltage below 100V**, the lock of the cutout might be restricted and the pump might restart on its own after sufficient cooling down. Take suitable precautions, if an automatic restart of the pump may lead to a critical dangerous situation



Due to the residual **leak rate of the equipment**, there may be an exchange of gas, albeit extremely slight, between the environment and the vacuum system.

- ☞ Adopt suitable measures to prevent contamination of the pumped substances or the environment.

Ensure that in case of failure the pump and the system always will turn into a safe status.

- ☞ In case of diaphragm cracks or leaks in the manifold pumped substances might be released into the environment or into the pump housing. To reduce the risk of leaks, ask for a diaphragm pump with additional safety diaphragm.
- ☞ Obey especially notes on operation and use and maintenance.

Use only **genuine spare parts and accessories**.

- ☞ Otherwise safety and performance of the equipment as well as the electromagnetic compatibility of the equipment might be reduced.

The A-weighted emission sound pressure level of the pump does not exceed 70 dB(A). Measurement according to EN ISO 2151:2004 and EN ISO 3744:1995 with standard silencer or exhaust tube at outlet.

Ensure that maintenance is done only by suitable trained and supervised technicians. Ensure that the maintenance technician is familiar with the safety procedures which relate to the product processed by the vacuum system and that the equipment, if necessary, is appropriately decontaminated before starting maintenance. Obey local and national safety regulations.



**Before starting maintenance** vent the pump, isolate the pump and other components from the system and the electrical supply and allow sufficient cooling of the pump.

Before starting **maintenance**, wait **two minutes** after isolating the equipment from mains to allow the capacitors to discharge.

In case of normal wear the lifetime of the capacitors is about 40000 operating hours. The capacitors have to be replaced by an electrician.

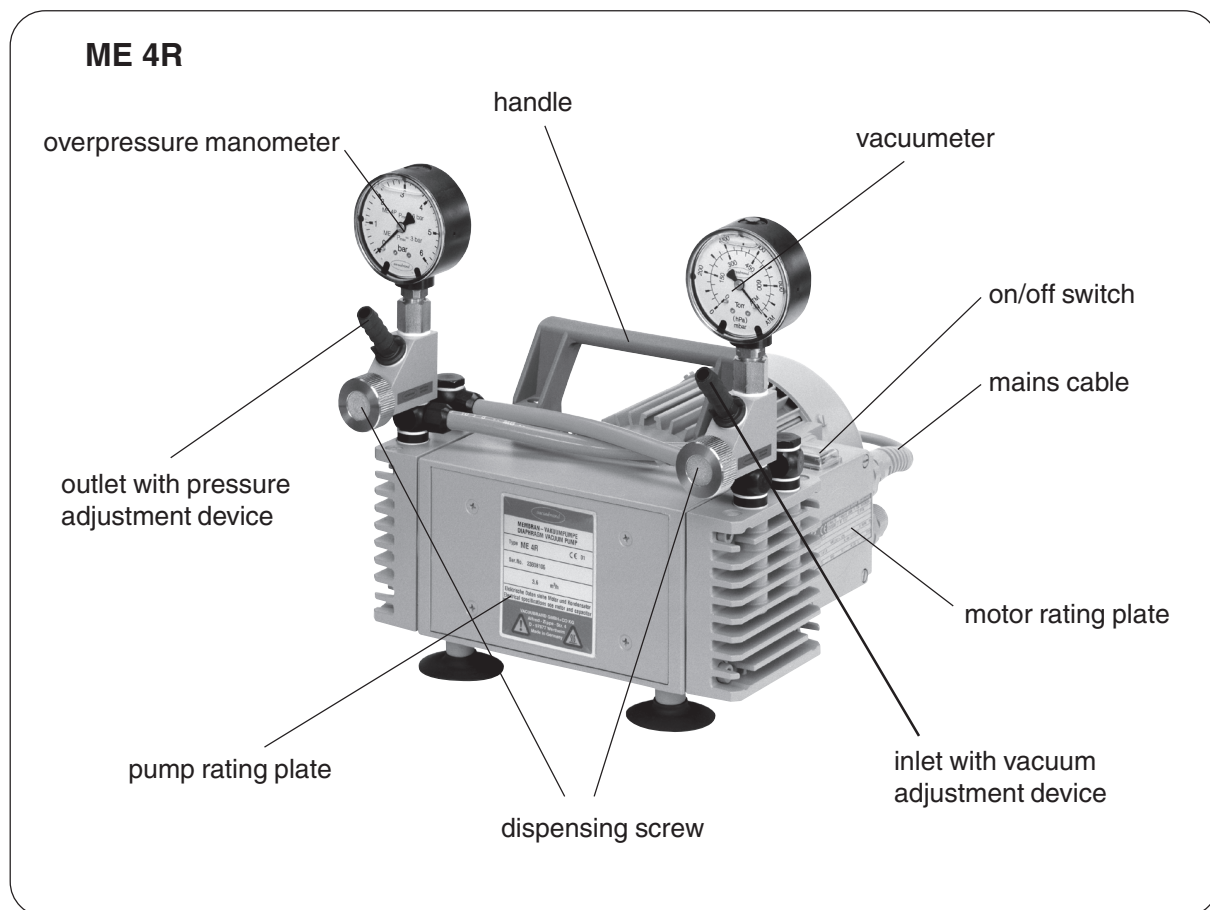
In order to comply with law (occupational, health and safety regulations, safety at work law and regulations for environmental protection) vacuum pumps, components and measuring instruments returned to the manufacturer can be repaired only when certain procedures (see section "**Notes on return to the factory**") are followed.

## Technical data

Type		ME 4R
Max. pumping speed 50/60 Hz (DIN 21360)	m <sup>3</sup> /h	3.6 / 4.0
Ultimate vacuum (absolute)	mbar	< 100
Max. permissible outlet pressure (absolute)	bar	4
Max. permissible outlet pressure (reading of manometer)	bar	3
Permissible ambient temperature storage	°C	-10 to +60
operation	°C	+10 to +40
Permissible relative atmospheric moisture during operation (no condensation)	%	30 to 85
Power	W	180
No-load speed 50/60 Hz	min <sup>-1</sup>	1500/1800
Rated current at 120 V~ 60 Hz	A	3.0
230 V~ 50/60 Hz	A	1.6/1.6
Maximum permissible range of supply voltage <b>Attention: Observe specifications of rating plate</b>		120 V~ +5/-10% 60 Hz 230 V~ +/-10% 50/60 Hz
Motor protection		thermal cutout
Degree of protection IEC 529		IP 54
Inlet		hose nozzle NW 10
Outlet		nose nozzle NW 10
Dimensions L x W x H	mm	280 x 270 x 275
Weight approx.	kg	11.1

Components	Wetted parts
<b>Pump</b>	
housing cover/ head cover/ diaphragm clamping disc	aluminium alloy
diaphragm / valve	FPM
hose	PE
fitting	aluminium anodized
seal ring	PVC
<b>Vacuum / pressure adjustment device</b>	
O-ring	NBR
hose nozzle	PBT
valve block	aluminium alloy
seal ring	PVC
seal ring manometer	copper
hollow bolt, dispensing screw	stainless steel

**We reserve the right for technical modification without prior notice!**





## Use and operation



### Installing in a vacuum system:

- ☞ Avoid throttling losses by using connecting pipes with large diameter and keep them as short as possible.
- ☞ Reduce the transmission of vibration and prevent loading due to rigid pipelines. Insert elastic hoses or flexible elements as couplings between the pump and rigid pipes. **Attention:** Flexible elements tend to shrink when evacuated.
- ☞ Use a suitable valve to isolate the pump from the vacuum system if you need to allow the pump to warm up before you pump condensable vapours or if you clean the pump before it is switched off.
- ☞ When **operating the equipment as vacuum pump** make sure that the exhaust pipeline cannot become blocked.
- ☞ Connect the exhaust to a suitable treatment plant to prevent the discharge of dangerous gases and vapours to the surrounding atmosphere. The exhaust pipeline must always be installed in a declining way to prevent the drainage of condensate back into the pump.
- ☞ When operating the device as a **pressure pump** ensure that the maximally generated overpressure is compatible with the mechanical stability of the pressure vessel.



Before operation:

- ☞ **Max. ambient temperature:** 40 °C.
- ☞ Make sure ventilation is adequate if pump is installed in a housing or if ambient temperature is elevated.
- ☞ If pump is installed in altitudes of more than 1000 m above mean sea level check compatibility with applicable safety requirements, e. g. DIN VDE 0530 (motor may overheat due to insufficient cooling).
- ☞ When assembling, ensure **vacuum-tightness**. After assembly, check the complete system for leaks.

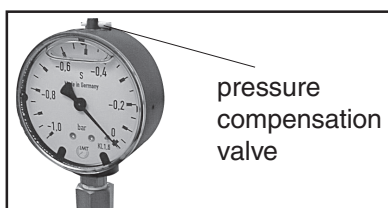
### Notes prior to the use of the manometers:

The manometers used are manometers with glycerin filling. The overpressure manometer indicates the overpressure relative to the atmospheric pressure at the place of installation. The vacuum meter indicates the absolute pressure.



- Install the pump in the room of operation.
- Prior to use the reference chambers of some of the manometers (depending on the model of manometer) have to be ventilated.
- ☞ Else, not ventilating the manometer may lead to a systematic measuring error.

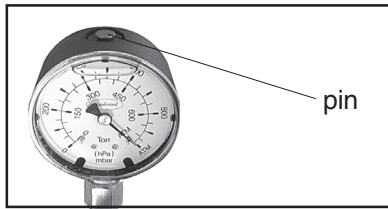
There are different types of manometers. To ventilate the reference chamber check which types of manometers are installed at the pump and proceed according to the given instructions:



#### **A: Manometer with pressure compensation valve**

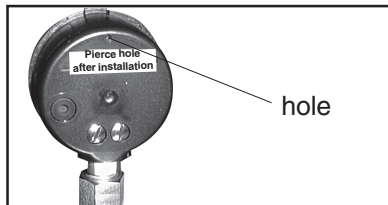
Ventilate the manometer using the pressure compensation valve. Close the valve after ventilation.

- ☞ Repeat if necessary until dial shows zero with measuring connection ventilated to atmosphere.

**B: Manometer with pin**

Ventilate the manometer by lifting the pin. Do not remove the pin completely!

- ☞ Repeat if necessary until dial doesn't show a pressure difference with measuring connection ventilated to atmosphere.

**C: Manometer with bore at the rear side**

Pierce the hole at the rear side of the manometer. Some outflow of liquid is normal.

- ☞ Do not tilt pump during transport.

**D: Manometer without bore, pin or pressure compensation valve**

Do **not** ventilate the reference chamber of this manometer!

**During operation:**

Do not start pump if **pressure difference between inlet and outlet port** exceeds **max. 1 bar**. Attempts to start pump at higher difference pressure may cause blockade and damage of the motor.

- ☞ **Obey maximally permitted pressure** at the outlet.
- ☞ For continuous operation at inlet pressures above atmospheric pressure the inlet pressure must not exceed the outlet pressure. The maximally permitted pressure at the outlet is 4 mbar absolute.

Use the vacuum adjustment device at the inlet port of the pump to **control the vacuum** in the system. By turning the dispensing screw the amount of gases pumped from the vacuum system can be controlled:

- Turning the dispensing screw to the left: vacuum is decreased (higher pressure) (Pump additionally takes in bleed air via dispensing screw.)
- Turning the dispensing screw to the right: vacuum is increased (lower pressure)

The **overpressure** at the outlet port of the pump is controlled accordingly via the pressure adjustment device:

- Turning the dispensing screw to the left: pressure is decreased (Pump blows off via dispensing screw.)
- Turning the dispensing screw to the right: pressure is increased (**attention:** max. 4 bar permitted!)
- ☞ If the pump is used as vacuum pump, ensure that the exhaust pipeline cannot become blocked.



- ☞ **Attention:** Do not unscrew the dispensing screw completely! There are no stops at the end of the threads!

A warm up period (approx. 15 min.) is required before the rated ultimate **total pressure** and **pumping speed** are attained.

- ☞ Prevent internal condensation, transfer of liquids or dust. The diaphragm and valves will be damaged, if liquids are pumped in significant amounts.

The motor is shut down by a thermal cutout in the winding.

- ☞ Manual reset is necessary. Switch off the pump or isolate the equipment from mains. Identify and eliminate the cause of failure. Wait approx. five minutes before restarting the pump.
- ☞ **Attention:** In case of **supply voltage below 100V**, the lock of the cutout might be restricted and the pump might restart on its own after sufficient cooling down. Take suitable precautions, if an automatic restart of the pump may lead to a critical dangerous situation



### Shutdown:

#### Short-term:

Has the pump been exposed to **condensate**?

- Allow the pump to continue to run at atmospheric pressure and with a free exhaust pipeline for a few minutes.

Has the pump been exposed to media which may damage the pump materials or form deposits?

- ☞ Check and clean pump heads if necessary.

#### Long-term:

- Take measures as described in section short-term shutdown.
- Separate pump from the apparatus.
- Close inlet and outlet port (e. g. with transport caps).
- Store the pump in dry conditions.

## Troubleshooting

Fault	Possible cause	Remedy
<input type="checkbox"/> Pump fails to start or stops immediately.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>➔ Mains not plugged in, electrical supply failure?</li> <li>➔ Pressure in outlet pipeline or in the pressure system too high?</li> <li>➔ Motor overloaded?</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>☞ Plug in. Check fuse.</li> <li>☞ Remove blockade in line, reduce pressure in the system (pressure adjustment device).</li> <li>☞ Allow motor to cool, identify and eliminate cause of failure.</li> </ul>
<input type="checkbox"/> Pump does not achieve ultimate total pressure or normal pumping speed.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>➔ Centering ring not correctly positioned or leak in the pipeline or vacuum system?</li> <li>➔ Vacuum adjustment device opened?</li> <li>➔ Long narrow line?</li> <li>➔ Pump has been exposed to condensate?</li> <li>➔ Deposits have been formed inside the pump?</li> <li>➔ Valves or diaphragm damaged?</li> <li>➔ Outgasing substances or vapour generated in the process?</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>☞ Check pump with a vacuum gauge directly at pump inlet port, check connections and line.</li> <li>☞ Close vacuum adjustment device.</li> <li>☞ Use line with larger diameter, length as short as possible.</li> <li>☞ Run pump at atmospheric pressure for a few minutes.</li> <li>☞ Clean and inspect pump heads.</li> <li>☞ Replace valves and/or diaphragms.</li> <li>☞ Check process parameters.</li> </ul>
<input type="checkbox"/> Pump too noisy.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>➔ Atmospheric or high pressure at inlet port?</li> <li>➔ Diaphragm clamping disc loose?</li> <li>➔ None of the causes mentioned above?</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>☞ Connect hose to pump outlet.</li> <li>☞ Perform maintenance.</li> <li>☞ Contact local distributor.</li> </ul>
<input type="checkbox"/> Pump seized.		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>☞ Contact local distributor.</li> </ul>



A service manual with exploded view drawings, spare part lists and directions for repair is available on request (only in German or English).

☞ The service manual is for trained service people.

## Replacing diaphragms and valves



All bearings are encapsulated and are filled with long-life lubricant. Under normal operating conditions, the pump is maintenance free. The valves and the diaphragms as well as the motor capacitors are wear parts. If the rated ultimate vacuum is no longer achieved, the pump interior, the diaphragms and the valves must be cleaned and the diaphragms and valves must be checked for cracks or other damage.

Depending on individual cases it may be efficient to check and clean the pump heads on a regular basis. In case of normal wear the lifetime of the diaphragms and valves is > 10000 operating hours.

☞ Prevent internal condensation, transfer of liquids or dust. The diaphragm and valves will be damaged, if liquids are pumped in significant amount.

If the pump is exposed to corrosive gases or vapour or in case of deposits, maintenance should be carried out frequently.

☞ Regular maintenance will improve the lifetime of the pump and also protect both man and environment.



**Before starting maintenance** vent the system, isolate the pump and other components from the vacuum system and the electrical supply. Avoid the release of pollutants. Allow sufficient cooling of the pump. **Ensure that the pump cannot be operated accidentally. Never operate the pump if covers or other parts of the pump are disassembled. Never operate a defective or damaged pump.**



Ensure that **maintenance** is done only by **suitably trained and supervised technicians** and that the maintenance technician is familiar with the safety procedures which relate to the products processed by the pumping system.

The pump might be contaminated with the process chemicals that have been pumped during operation. Ensure that the pump is decontaminated before maintenance and take adequate precautions to protect people from the effects of dangerous substances if contamination has occurred.

☞ Wear appropriate safety-clothing when you come in contact with contaminated components.

**Set of seals** (diaphragms and valves) ..... **696811**

**Face wrench** with torque indicator ..... **637580**

☞ **Please read section "Replacing diaphragms and valves" completely before starting maintenance.**

Partially the pictures show pumps in other versions. This doesn't influence replacing diaphragms and valves of the pump.



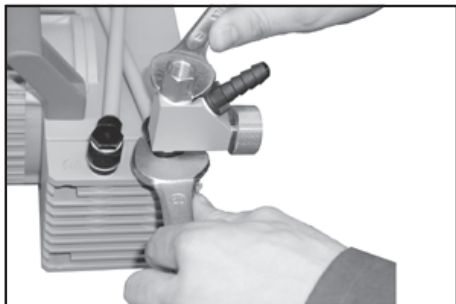
### Tools required (metric):

- Phillips screw driver size 2
- Open-end wrench w/f 14/17/20
- Hex key size 5
- Face wrench with torque indicator

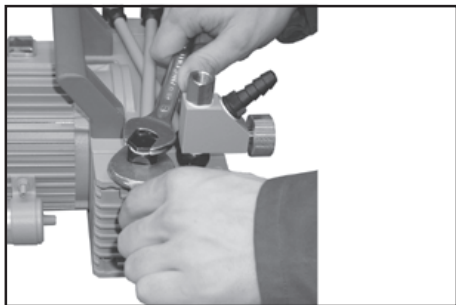
## Cleaning and inspecting the pump heads:



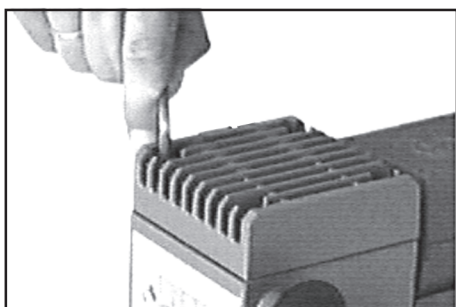
- ➔ Detach manometer from adjustment device using open-end wrenches w/f 14 and 17.



- ➔ Unscrew hollow bolt at adjustment device with open-end wrench w/f 17 whilst steadying fitting with a second open-end wrench (w/f 20).

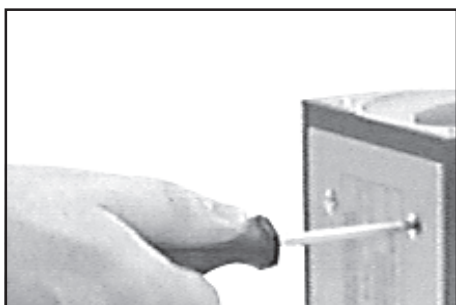


- ➔ Use open-end wrench (w/f 17) to remove screw-in fittings from all pump heads and remove manifold. Steady fitting with a second open-end wrench (w/f 20).

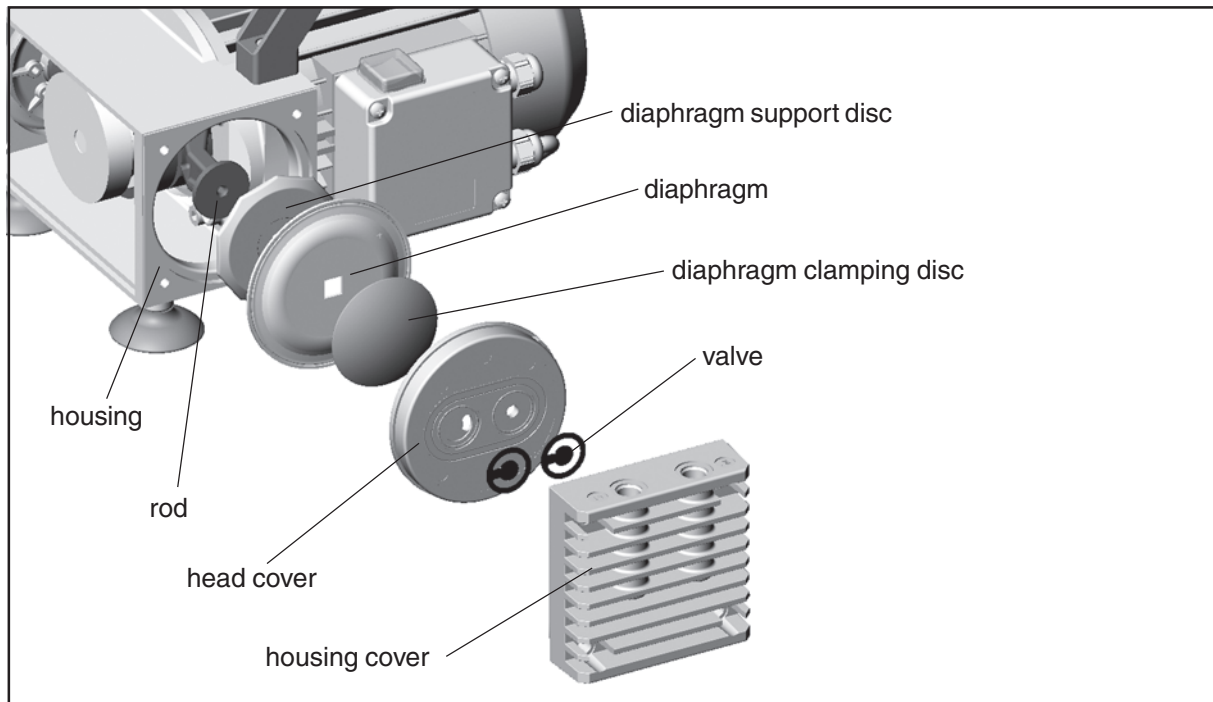


To check the valves, remove head cover carefully from housing cover.

- ➔ Use hex key to remove four socket-head screws from pump head and remove upper housing (head cover with housing cover and valves).
- ⚠ Never remove parts by using a spiky or sharp-edged tool (e. g. screw driver), we recommend to use a rubber mallet or compressed air (to be blown **carefully** into port).
- ➔ Note position of valves and remove them.
- ⚠ Replace valves if necessary.



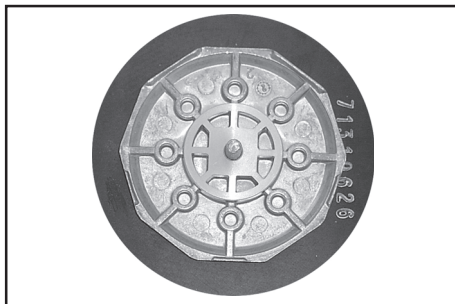
- ⚠ Check diaphragm for damage and replace if necessary.
- ➔ To do so use Phillips screw driver to remove four counter-sunk head screws and lift off housing plate.
- ⚠ Use petroleum ether or industrial solvent to remove deposits. Do not inhale.



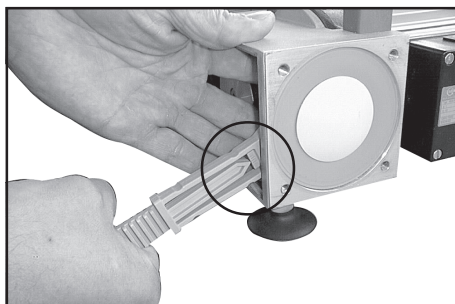
## Replacing the diaphragm



- ➔ Use face wrench to remove diaphragm support disc.
- ➔ Check for washers under support disc. Do not mix the washers from the different heads. Make sure that the original number is reassembled at the individual pump head.
- ⚠ Smaller number of washers: The pump will not attain ultimate vacuum. More washers: Clamping disc will hit head cover; noise or even blockade of the pump.



- ➔ Position new diaphragm between diaphragm clamping disc with square head screw and diaphragm support disc.
- ⚠ Make sure that the square head screw of the diaphragm clamping disc is correctly seated in the guide hole of the diaphragm support disc.
- ⚠ **Note:** Double diaphragm. Put the two diaphragms together with the printed sides outwards.

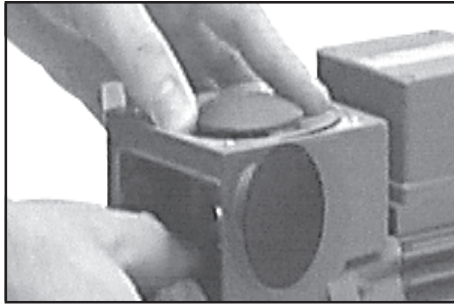


- ➔ Use **face wrench with torque indicator** (recommended: **face wrench with torque indicator from VACUUBRAND, Cat.-No.: 637580**) to assemble diaphragm clamping disc, diaphragm and diaphragm support disc (and eventually washers) to the connecting rod.
- ⚠ Make sure that the square head screw of the diaphragm clamping disc is correctly seated in the guide hole of the diaphragm support disc.

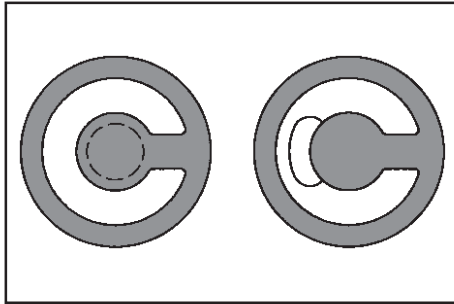
Optimum torque for the diaphragm support disc: **6 Nm**.

- ⚠ The optimum torque is achieved if the pointer in the handle of the VACUUBRAND face wrench shows to the longer marking line.

### Assembling pump heads:

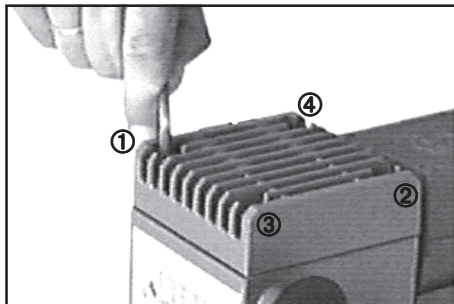


- ➔ By turning eccentric bushing (front of connecting rod), bring connecting rod into a position in which diaphragm is in contact with housing and centred with respect to bore.



Reassemble in reverse order.

- ➔ Install head cover, valves and housing cover with housing cover insert.
- ☞ Make sure that the **valves are correctly seated**: Valves at the outlet with round centred opening under valve, valves at the inlet with kidney-shaped opening beside valve.
- ➔ By turning eccentric bushing, bring connecting rod into upper turning point position (Max. stroke of the rod).
- ☞ Pay attention that the diaphragm stays positioned centrally so that it will become clamped uniformly between housing and head cover.



- ➔ Screw in four socket head screws fixing housing cover cross-wise (e. g. in the sequence ①, ②, ③, ④) first slightly, then tighten.
- ☞ Do not tighten until head cover is in contact with housing, torque **12 Nm**.

### Individual performance check of a pump head :

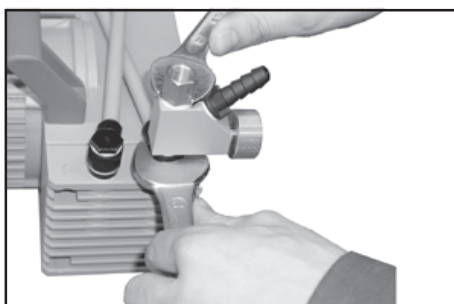


By measuring the pressure at the inlet port of the individual head:

Use a suitable vacuum gauge (e. g. DVR 2, cat. no.: 68 29 02), make sure that it is correctly calibrated, and measure the pressure at the inlet port. A vacuum of less than 110 mbar should be indicated.

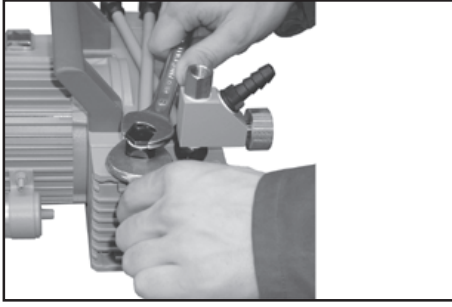
- ☞ If the reading is higher, recheck the pump chamber and make sure that the valves and the diaphragms are correctly seated (diaphragms concentric with bore).

### Assembling of fittings and adjustment devices:



- ☞ When assembling the adjustment device firstly screw on valve block with hollow bolt.
- ☞ Align valve block before tightening the hollow bolt.
- ➔ Tighten hollow bolt with open-end wrench w/f 7. Steady fitting with a second open-end wrench (w/f 20).





- ➔ Use open-end wrench (w/f 17) and assemble screw-in fittings at all pump heads. Steady fitting with a second open-end wrench (w/f 20).



- ➔ Screw on manometer, align it and tighten with open-end wrenches w/f 14 and 17.

#### **If the pump does not achieve the ultimate pressure:**



- ☞ In case the diaphragms and valves have been replaced, a run-in period of several hours is required before the pump achieves its ultimate vacuum.

If all pump heads achieve a vacuum below 110 mbar but pump does not achieve the ultimate total pressure:

Check hose connections at the pump heads for leaks. If necessary recheck pump chamber.

## Notes on return to the factory

### Repair - return - DKD calibration



Safety and health of our staff, laws and regulations regarding the handling of dangerous goods, occupational health and safety regulations and regulations regarding safe disposal of waste require that for all pumps and other products the "**Health and safety clearance form**" must be sent to our office duly completed and signed before any equipment is dispatched to our premises.

Fax or post a completed copy of the health and safety clearance form to us in advance. The declaration must arrive before the equipment. Enclose a second completed copy with the product. If the equipment is contaminated you must notify the carrier.

**No repair / DKD calibration is possible unless the correctly completed form is returned. Inevitably, there will be a delay in processing the equipment if information is missing or if this procedure is not obeyed.**



If the product has come in contact with chemicals, radioactive substances or other substances dangerous to health or environment, the product must be decontaminated prior to **sending it back to the factory.**

- ☞ Return the product to us **disassembled and cleaned** and accompanied by a certificate verifying decontamination or
- ☞ Contact an industrial cleaning and **decontamination service** directly or
- ☞ Authorize us to send the product to an industrial cleaning facility **at your expense.**



To expedite repair and to reduce costs, please enclose a detailed description of the problem and the product's operating conditions with every product returned for repair. We submit **quotations** only on request and always at the customer's expense. If an order is given, the costs incurred are offset from the costs for repair or from the purchase price, if the customer prefers to buy a new product instead of repairing the defective one.

☞ **If you do not wish a repair on the basis of our quotation, the equipment might be returned to you disassembled and at your charge!**

In many cases, the **components must be cleaned in the factory** prior to repair. For cleaning we use an environmentally responsible water based process. Unfortunately the combined attack of elevated temperature, cleaning agent, ultrasonic treatment and mechanical stress (from pressurised water) may result in damage to the paint. Please mark in the health and safety clearance form if you wish a **repaint at your expense** just in case such a damage should occur.

We also replace parts due to optical aspects upon your request.

**Before returning** the equipment ensure that (if applicable):

- ☞ Oil has been drained and an adequate quantity of fresh oil has been filled in to protect against corrosion.
- ☞ Equipment has been cleaned and/or decontaminated.
- ☞ All inlet and outlet ports have been sealed.
- ☞ Equipment has been properly packed, if necessary, please order an original packaging (costs will be charged), marked as appropriate and the carrier has been notified.
- ☞ Ensure that the completed health and safety declaration is enclosed.

We hope for your understanding for these measures, which are beyond our control.

**Scrapping and waste disposal:**

Dispose of the equipment and any components removed from it safely in accordance with all local and national safety and environmental requirements. Particular care must be taken with components and waste oil which have been contaminated with dangerous substances from the process. Do not incinerate fluoroelastomer seals and "O"-rings.

- ☞ You may authorize us to dispose of the equipment **at your expense.**



# Health and safety clearance form

### Declaration concerning safety, potential hazards and safe disposal of waste, e. g. used oil.

Safety and health of our staff, laws and regulations regarding the handling of dangerous goods, occupational health and safety regulations, safety at work laws and regulations regarding safe disposal of waste, e. g. waste oil, require that for all pumps and other products this form must be sent to our office duly completed and signed before any equipment is dispatched to our premises. **Products will not be accepted for any procedure and handling and repair / DKD calibration will not start before we have received this declaration.**

- a) Fax or post a **completed copy of this form** to us in advance. The declaration must arrive before the equipment. **Enclose a second, completed copy with the product.** If the product is contaminated you must notify the carrier (**GGVE, GGVS, RID, ADR**).
- b) Inevitably, the repair process will be delayed considerably, if this information is missing or this procedure is not obeyed. We hope for your understanding for these measures which are beyond our control and that you will assist us in expediting the repair procedure.
- c) **Make sure that you know all about the substances which have been in contact with the equipment and that all questions have been answered correctly and in detail.**

<p><b>1. Product (Model):</b> .....</p> <p><b>2. Serial No.:</b> .....</p> <p><b>3. List of substances in contact with the equipment or reaction products:</b></p> <p><b>3.1 Chemical/substance name, chemical symbol:</b></p> <p>a) .....</p> <p>b) .....</p> <p>c) .....</p> <p>d) .....</p> <p><b>3.2 Important information and precautions, e. g. danger classification:</b></p> <p>a) .....</p> <p>b) .....</p> <p>c) .....</p> <p>d) .....</p> <p><b>4. Declaration (please mark as applicable):</b></p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> <b>4.1 for non dangerous goods:</b></p> <p>We assure for the returned product that</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- neither toxic, corrosive, biologically active, explosive, radioactive nor contamination dangerous in any way has occurred.</li> <li>- the product is free of dangerous substances.</li> <li>- the oil or residues of pumped media have been drained.</li> </ul> <p><input type="checkbox"/> <b>4.2 for dangerous goods:</b></p> <p>We assure for the returned product that</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- all substances, toxic, corrosive, biologically active, explosive, radioactive or dangerous in any way which have pumped or been in contact with the product are listed in 3.1, that the information is complete and that we have not withheld any information.</li> <li>- the product, in accordance with regulations, has been             <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li><input type="checkbox"/> cleaned</li> <li><input type="checkbox"/> decontaminated</li> <li><input type="checkbox"/> sterilized.</li> </ul> </li> </ul>	<p><b>5. Way of transport / carrier:</b></p> <p>.....</p> <p>Day of dispatch to VACUUBRAND: .....</p> <p>.....</p> <p><b>If the paint is damaged, we wish a repaint or a replacement of parts due to optical aspects at our expense (see "Notes on return to the factory"):</b></p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> yes <input type="checkbox"/> no</p> <p><b>We declare that the following measures - where applicable - have been taken:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- The oil has been drained from the product.</li> <li><b>Important: Dispose of according to national regulations.</b></li> <li>- The interior of the product has been cleaned.</li> <li>- All inlet and outlet ports of the product have been sealed.</li> <li>- The product has been properly packed, if necessary, please order an original packaging (costs will be charged) and marked as appropriate.</li> <li>- The carrier has been informed about the hazardous nature of the goods (if applicable).</li> </ul> <p><b>We assure VACUUBRAND</b> that we accept liability for any damage caused by providing incomplete or incorrect information and that we shall indemnify VACUUBRAND from any claims as regards damages from third parties.</p> <p><b>We are aware</b> that as expressed in § 823 BGB (Public Law Code of Germany) we are directly liable for injuries or damages suffered by third parties, particularly VACUUBRAND employees occupied with handling/repairing the product.</p> <p>Signature: .....</p> <p>Name (print): .....</p> <p>Job title (print): .....</p> <p>Company's seal: .....</p> <p>Date: .....</p>
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**Konformitätserklärung  
Declaration of conformity  
Déclaration de conformité**

**Membranpumpe / Diaphragm pump / Pompe à membrane**

**ME 4R (230V; 696152)**

Hiermit erklären wir, dass das oben bezeichnete Gerät in Konzeption und Bauart sowie in der von uns in Verkehr gebrachten Ausführung den grundlegenden Anforderungen der zutreffenden, aufgeführten EU-Richtlinien entspricht. Bei einer mit uns nicht abgestimmten Änderung an dem Gerät verliert diese Erklärung ihre Gültigkeit.

We herewith declare that the product designated above is in compliance with the basic requirements of the applicable EC-directives stated below with regard to design, type and model sold by us. This certificate ceases to be valid if the product is modified without the agreement of the manufacturer.

Par la présente, nous déclarons que le dispositif désigné ci-dessus est conforme aux prescriptions de base des directives EU applicables et indiqués en ci que concerne conception, dessin et modèle vendu par nous-mêmes. Cette déclaration cesse d'être valable si des modifications sont apportées au dispositif sans notre autorisation préalable.

Maschinenrichtlinie (mit Änderungen) / Machine directive (with supplements) / Directive Machines (avec des suppléments)

2006/42/EG

Niederspannungsrichtlinie / Low-Voltage Directive / Directive Basse Tension

2006/95/EG

Richtlinie Elektromagnetische Verträglichkeit / Electromagnetic Compatibility Directive / Directive Compatibilité Electromagnétique

2004/108/EG

Angewandte Harmonisierte Normen / Harmonized Standards applied / Normes Harmonisées utilisées

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