



CNG Field Service Bulletin
Luxfer Cylinder Valve Torque Precaution
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1. Introduction

Luxfer Gas Cylinders issued a technical bulletin regarding over torque prevention for their One-Turn Valve (OTV) model MPVE-250.

The bulletin is attached for your reference.

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Warning Messages Used in this Bulletin



Personal injury or death may occur if procedures are not followed.

Depressurize and defuel the cylinder(s) before performing work on the valve.

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TECHNICAL BULLETIN

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Luxfer OTV (One-Turn Valve) Model: MPVE-250

Topic: Over-Torque Prevention

Valve Use



WARNING: HAND OPERATE ONLY. DO NOT USE TOOLS ON THE KNOB.

Valve is **OPEN** by turning counterclockwise (CCW) **1-TURN ONLY**. Valve is **CLOSED** by turning clockwise (CW) **1-TURN ONLY**.



WARNING: DO NOT APPLY EXCESSIVE TORQUE. For reference, maximum allowed torque is 45 in.-lbs.

Valve will open and close with hand torque **ONLY** and will be confirmed by positive stop of the handle. If in doubt, the valve's opened/closed state can be confirmed by measurement (see beside).



WARNING: DO NOT force knob past 1 turn from the open or closed position. This can create unsafe conditions.

Valve State	Knob Gap
Open	0.54"
Closed	0.40"



Over-Torque & Knob Damage



WARNING: Torques greater than the maximum specified are unnecessary and can damage the valve and in extreme over-torque cases might create unsafe conditions.

High over-torques can split the knob into 2 or 3 pieces. A cracked or split knob does not affect valve sealing; however, it indicates excessive torque applied to the knob. Replace a cracked or split knob immediately.

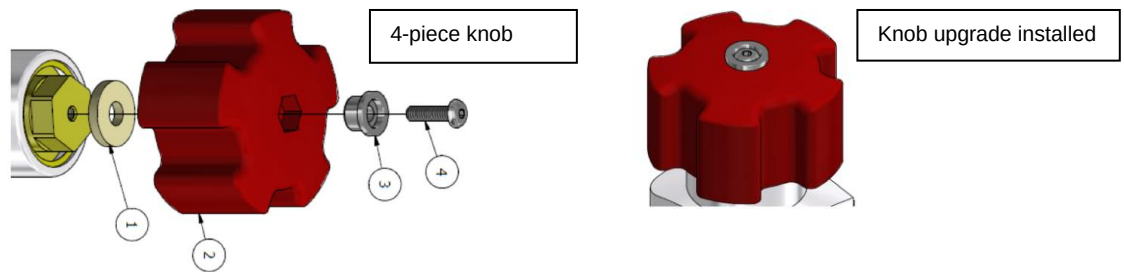


Mitigation

Luxfer has a complementary upgrade kit available which can mitigate the impact of excessive torque. An appropriately-skilled technician can quickly install the kit in the field. The kit consists of both knob and back-up ring upgrade parts.

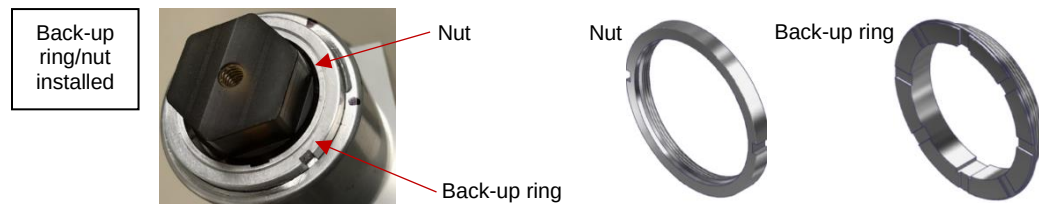
A. Knob Upgrade

The knob upgrade has 4 pieces (see below left). It raises the knob $\sim \frac{1}{8}$ " and slightly changes the appearance of the top of the knob (see below right). This knob is stronger and more difficult to turn with a tool.



B. Back-Up Ring / Nut Upgrade

The kit includes a back-up ring and nut that are added to internal retaining ring (see below). Installing these parts doubles the valve's over-torque resistance.



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