

# Lafferty Equipment Manufacturing, LLC Installation & Operation Instructions

## Model # 933405-V • 1-Way APV PFPR Concrete Foamer

### REQUIREMENTS

#### Chemical Concentrate

##### Water

Temperature	up to 160°F
Pressure	20 to 80 PSI
Flow	0.8 GPM @ 20 PSI
Supply Line	1/2"

**Compressed Air** up to 6 CFM

**Hose** 3/4" ID x 50'

**Nozzle** 00200

### OPTIONS

#### Stainless Steel Hose Racks

Large Stainless Steel Hose Rack # 224150

#### Stainless Steel Jug Racks Available

#### To Dilute and Dispense Ready-To-Use Acid Solution

414HC Acid Mixing Station # 980415

#### Drum & Tote Stick Lengths & Seal Materials

Drum Stick, 33" (Viton or EPDM)	# 491643 / 491643-E
Drum Stick, 48" (Viton or EPDM)	# 491648 / 491648-E
Drum Stick, 54" (Viton or EPDM)	# 491645 / 491645-E
Tote Stick, 33" (Viton or EPDM)	# 491653 / 491653-E
Tote Stick, 48" (Viton or EPDM)	# 491654 / 491654-E
Tote Stick, 54" (Viton or EPDM)	# 491656 / 491656-E



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**WARNING! READ ALL  
INSTRUCTIONS BEFORE  
USING EQUIPMENT!**

### OVERVIEW

The 1-Way APV PFPR Concrete Foamer is a foam applicator for projecting highly corrosive chemicals such as those used to remove concrete and for aluminum brightening. This acid-resistant system uses a Flojet air-operated, double-diaphragm pump to draw chemical concentrate and blend it into the water stream at ratios from 1:11 to neat chemical. Compressed air is injected into the solution to greatly increase volume and coverage ability. Rich, clinging foam is projected through the hose, wand and nozzle on to any surface.

SAFETY & OPERATIONAL PRECAUTIONS

- For proper performance do NOT modify, substitute nozzle, hose diameter or length
- Manufacturer assumes no liability for the use or misuse of this unit.
- Wear protective clothing, gloves and eye-wear when working with chemicals.
- Always direct the discharge away from people and electrical devices.
- Follow the chemical manufacturer's safe handling instructions.
- DO NOT use chemicals that are not compatible with Viton diaphragms.

TO INSTALL (REFER TO DIAGRAM ON NEXT PAGE)

1. Mount the unit to a suitable surface above the chemical supply to prevent siphoning.
2. Connect the discharge hose.
3. When connecting to a potable water supply follow all local codes for backflow prevention.
4. Connect water supply. To prevent blocking the small water jets in the foamer body, flush any new plumbing of debris before connecting. If water piping is older and has known contaminants, install a filter.
5. Connect air supply. If air line is older and has known contaminants install a filter.

Setting the Dilution Ratio

By turning the chemical dilution needle valve in slight increments you control the chemical dilution ratio, thus allowing you to achieve virtually any dilution ratio between 11-1 and 1-1 or neat chemical. See Dilution Ratio Setting Guideline Chart for guidance.

TO OPERATE

- **Always make sure the discharge ball valve is closed or pointed in a safe direction before turning the air on. Ball valve can be shut off at any time during operation but should not be left unattended for long periods of time. Expect a strong blast when re-opening ball valve.**
- **The unit has been tested and is ready to operate, the air pressure preset at 30 PSI.**
- **DO NOT GO OVER 30 PSI.**

- The foam consistency knob is pre-set at 1/2 turn. To adjust foam consistency, turn the foam consistency needle valve counterclockwise a maximum of 1 turn for dryer foam and clockwise for wetter foam. Wait several seconds after each adjustment to see the results.
1. With the foam wand in hand direct the discharge in a safe direction and open the discharge ball valve and the air ball valve.
  2. If the flow of foam surges.
    - Reduce the air flow by turning the foam consistency needle valve slowly clockwise until the foam flow stabilizes.
    - Add more chemical concentrate by turning the chemical dilution needle valve counterclockwise.
  3. A medium-wet foam will give the best cleaning results! Very dry foam will NOT clean as well!
  4. When foaming is complete:
    - Close the discharge ball valve.
    - Promptly return to the unit and close the air ball valve.
    - Briefly re-open the discharge ball valve to relieve pressure in the hose.
  5. Rinse the work surface before the foam dries.

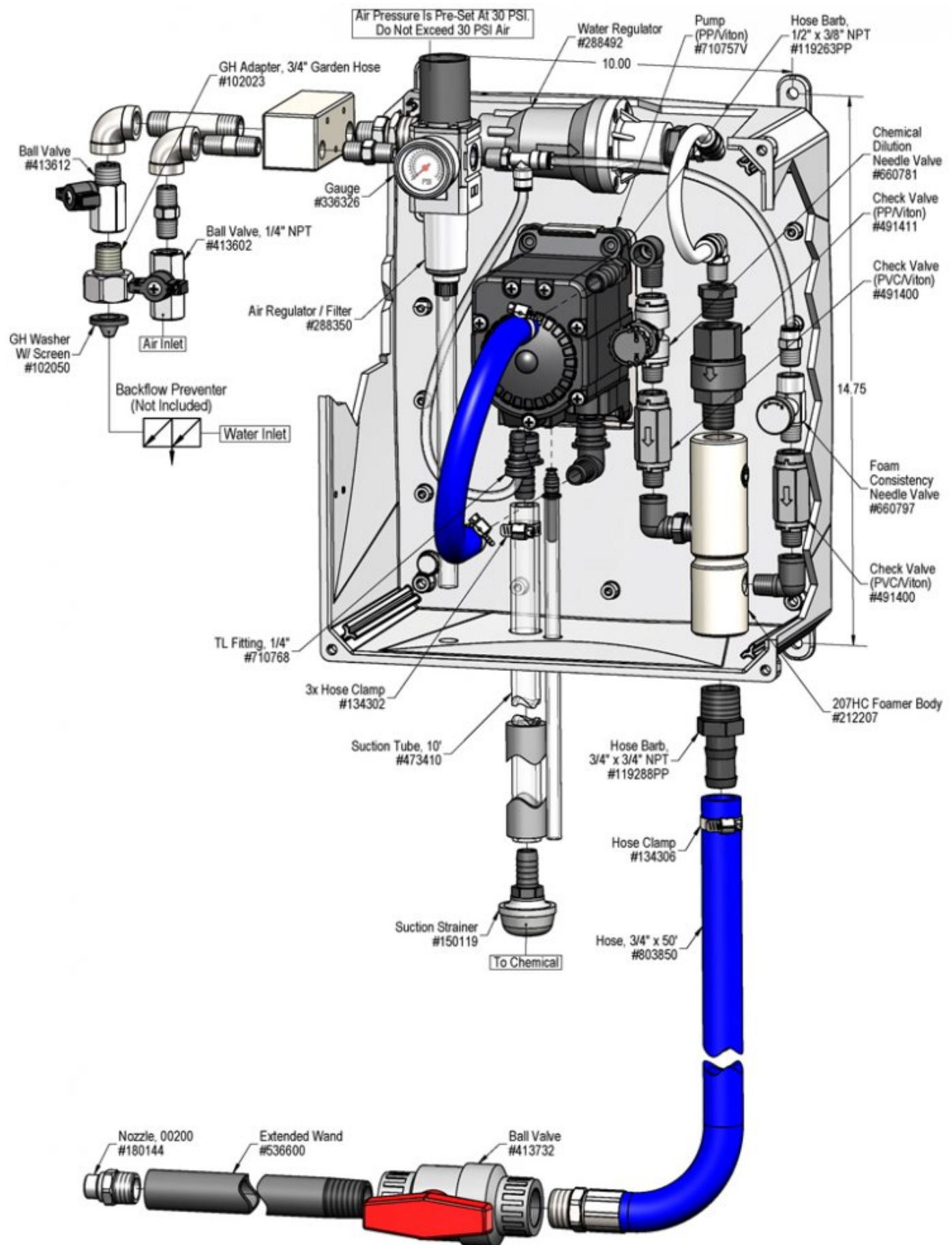
DILUTION RATIO SETTING

GUIDELINES

TURN NEEDLE VALVES

COUNTERCLOCKWISE TO OPEN

Chemical Needle Valve	Water	Water/ Chemical Dilution Ratio
1/8 Turn	On	11:1
1 Turn	On	3:1
2 Turns	On	2:1
4 Turns	On	1.5:1
5 Turns or more	On	1:1
Wide Open	Off	Neat Chemical
Air pressure is pre-set at 30 PSI. Do not exceed 30 PSI air. Water Flow Rate remains constant at 0.81 GPM		



## Troubleshooting Guide

Problem	Possible Cause / Solution	
	Startup	Maintenance
A) Air pump will not pump or runs with no output.	1, 2, 3, 4, 7	9, 10, 12, 13, 14
B) Foam surges and/or hose "bucks".	1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7	9, 12, 13
C) Foam output too wet.	1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6	9, 12, 13
D) Foam output too dry.	2	
E) Cleaning results not acceptable.	5, 6, 8	

Possible Cause / Solution	
Startup	Maintenance
<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li><b>1. Inlet ball valve partially closed. MAXIMUM air pressure is 30 PSI</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>◦ Completely open air inlet ball valve.</li> </ul> </li> <li><b>2. Foam consistency needle valve open too much</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>◦ Adjust the needle valve slowly clockwise until foam stabilizes. Turn round handle slightly clockwise for wetter foam; open counterclockwise for dryer foam. Open a <u>maximum of 1 turn</u>.</li> </ul> </li> <li><b>3. Discharge ball valve not completely open or Discharge hose kinked</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>◦ Completely open the discharge ball valve / straighten hose</li> </ul> </li> <li><b>4. Solution tube not completely immersed in chemical or container empty</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>◦ Immerse tube or replenish chemical.</li> </ul> </li> <li><b>5. Dilution too weak</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>◦ Increase chemical by turning chemical needle valve counterclockwise.</li> </ul> </li> <li><b>6. Improper chemical</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>◦ Ensure product is recommended for foaming and/or the application</li> </ul> </li> <li><b>7. Ice particles from condensation in air line — Air pump can periodically "freeze up" (stall) due to ice particles in the pump's exhaust (depending on air humidity &amp; other factors)</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>◦ WAIT several seconds to allow the ice particles to melt and blow out, at which time the pump will automatically resume pumping.</li> </ul> </li> <li><b>8. Soil has hardened on surface</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>◦ Always rinse foam before it dries.</li> </ul> </li> </ol>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li><b>9. Chemical strainer blocked</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>◦ Clean or replace</li> </ul> </li> <li><b>10. Air regulator failed</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>◦ Clean or replace</li> </ul> </li> <li><b>11. Air or water check valve(s) failed</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>◦ Clean or replace</li> </ul> </li> <li><b>12. Discharge hose wrong size or kinked (See REQUIREMENTS, page 1).</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>◦ Straighten the hose</li> </ul> </li> <li><b>13. Nozzle size too small or missing</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>◦ See REQUIREMENTS, page 1.</li> </ul> </li> <li><b>14. Problem with air pump</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>◦ Refer to air pump instruction manual.</li> <li>◦ <a href="https://www.xylem.com/en-us/brands/Flojet/flojet-products/g57-air-operated-double-diaphragm-pump">https://www.xylem.com/en-us/brands/Flojet/flojet-products/g57-air-operated-double-diaphragm-pump</a></li> <li>◦ Replace pump.</li> </ul> </li> </ol>

**PREVENTIVE MAINTENANCE:** When the unit will be out of service for extended periods, place chemical tube(s) in water and flush the chemical out of the unit to help prevent chemical from drying out and causing build-up. Periodically check and clean chemical strainer and replace if missing.

