



Series LO

Series LOA

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# Series LO and LOA Lock Valves Pilot Operated Check Valves

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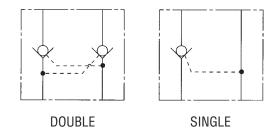
## Features

- Hardened seats
- Ball/Spring checks
- High-tensile cast iron body

### Description

Parker's Series LO and LOA lock valves are designed to lock a cylinder, or part of a circuit, without leakage while a control valve is in a neutral position. Lock valves function as check valves, allowing flow to a cylinder and blocking reverse flow until pilot pressure is applied to "unlock" the circuit.

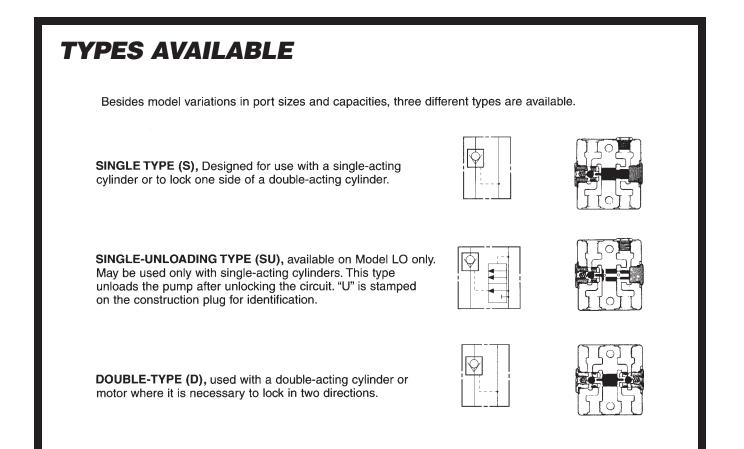
These valves may be used to prevent movement of a load while the pressure source is inactive.

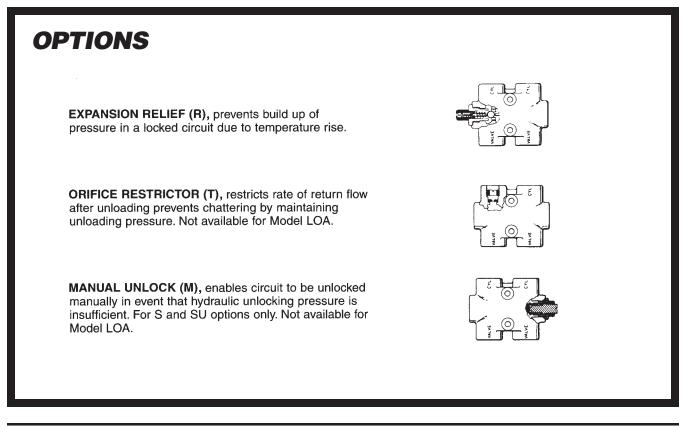


### **Specifications**

	LO	LOA
Capacity (nominal)	25 GPM	10 GPM
	[94 litres/min]	[37 litres/min]
Maximum Operating Pressure	3000 PSI	3000 PSI
	[207 bar]	[207 bar]
Ratio of pilot piston area to check valve seat area		3.36 to 1
Shipping Weight		2-3/4 Pounds
	[2,7 kg]	[1,3 kg]

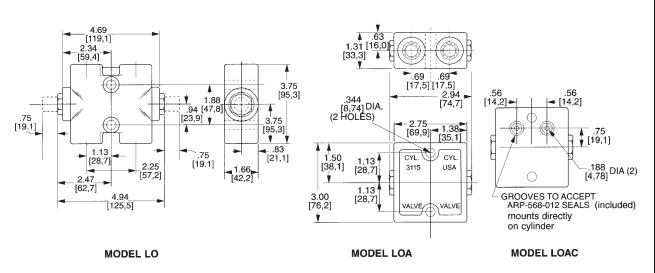








# **DIMENSIONS**



### **APPLICATION DATA**

#### Control

A 4-way control valve is required for all lock valve circuits, including single-acting cylinders, in order to apply unlocking pressure to the pilot circuit.

A control valve with a free-flow (motor) spool should be used on any circuit which includes a lock valve to prevent pressure build-up-up between the lock valve and the control valve.

### Unlocking Pressure (Single-Acting Cylinders)

Pressure required in the pilot circuit of the valve to unlock a single-acting cylinder is 30% of the locked pressure.

#### Unlocking Pressure (Double-Acting Cylinders)

In double-acting cylinder installations the unlocking pressure is a function of trapped pressure, cylinder and rod areas as follows:

When cylinder HEAD END circuit is locked:

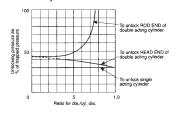
nlocking pressure = 3.36 - 
$$\left(\frac{\text{Cyl. Area-Hod Area}}{\text{Cyl. Area}}\right)$$

When cylinder ROD END circuit is locked:

Head End "Locked" Pressure

nlocking Pressure = 3.36 - 
$$\left(\frac{\text{Cyl. Area-Rod Area}}{\text{Cyl. Area}}\right)$$

Results of these formulae are shown graphically below for various ratios of rod/cylinder diameters.



<u>CAUTION:</u> Note that when the rod end of a double-acting cylinder is locked, if the rod diameter exceeds approximately .75 times the cylinder diameter, unlocking pressure becomes excessive and the lock valve should not be used.

#### EXAMPLE:

A 6" diameter double acting cylinder has a 2" diameter rod. Pressure trapped in head end is 1000 psi. Using the formula

Pressure needed to  
unlock head end = 
$$\frac{28.27 - 3.14}{3.36 - (28.27)}$$

Using the graph

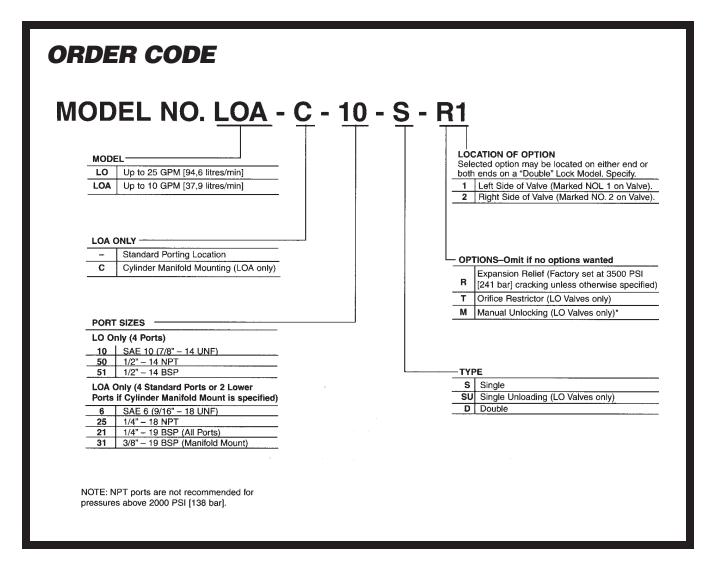
Ratio of rod dia./cyl. dia. = 2/6 = .333Enter the graph at bottom edge at ratio .333 and move vertically to intersect "UNLOCK HEAD END" curve, then horizontally to 40.5 on percentage scale at left. 1000 psi x 40.5% = 405 psi unlocking pressure

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