

# INSTRUMENT MANUAL

VP51

Digital Proportional Control Valve



**IMPORTANT SAFETY WARNING**

Please read these instructions carefully **BEFORE** this instrument is installed or maintained.

To conform with the Health and Safety at Work Act 1974 our product should be installed, used and maintained in accordance with :-

1. Normal safety procedures.
2. The installation and operating instructions provided for each instrument.
3. BS6739 for general applications.
4. BSEN 60079 for hazardous area applications.

If for any reason local conditions dictate non-compliance with the above, we should be consulted.

These converters are intended for use in industrial compressed air systems only. Ensure that adequate pressure relief provision is installed if application of system supply pressure could cause downstream equipment to malfunction. Installation should be in accordance with local and national compressed air and instrumentation codes.

Products certified for use in explosion proof (flameproof) or intrinsically safe installation **MUST**

- a) Be installed in accordance with local and national codes for hazardous area installations
- b) Only be used in situations which comply with the certification conditions stated in this handbook.
- c) Only be maintained by qualified personnel with adequate training on hazardous area instrumentation.

Before using these products with fluids other than air, for non-industrial applications, or for life-support systems consult Norgren.

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If you need more information, please read the complete handbook.

1. Connect an air supply (11 bar max) to the VP51 filtered to 5 µm; use thread sealant. (e.g. red loctite 542)
  - **Use Oil-Free Air**
  - **Do Not use PTFE Tape**
2. Connect a suitable signal source (0-10V, 4-20mA) to range to pin 3 (blue) +ve and pin 4 (black) common –ve.
3. Connect a 24V dc power supply across Pin 1 (red) and Pin 4 (black)
  - **Check the Connections and Polarity**
4. Connect a suitable load or gauge to the outlet port
5. Switch on supply and the proportional valve should operate
6. Set-up can be made off-line (pressure) for desired outlet pressure, feedback signal and range settings. Fine-tuning can be performed using online set-up.
7. Adjust the Proportional and Integral Gains, Dither Amplitude and Speed, if necessary

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The electronics system requires a nominal 24V DC supply signal. With a 10 Bar standard unit, the user can define their requirements through programming, and set the application parameters needed for the unit, i.e outlet pressure, gain settings, response speed, feedback, etc.

The VP51 Programmable Digital Proportional Control Valve for industrial pneumatic pressure control applications. The VP51 can be programmed to meet application requirements, and a standard 10 bar unit can be set at any required outlet pressure setting below this value.

### **Warranty**

A two-year warranty applies to all Norgren products. For terms and conditions ask for a copy of our 'General Conditions of Sale.'

**Pneumatic Installation:**

Supply Pressure: 5 bar minimum supply pressure  
 1 bar (14.5psig) above maximum output required  
 (14 bar 203psig) max)

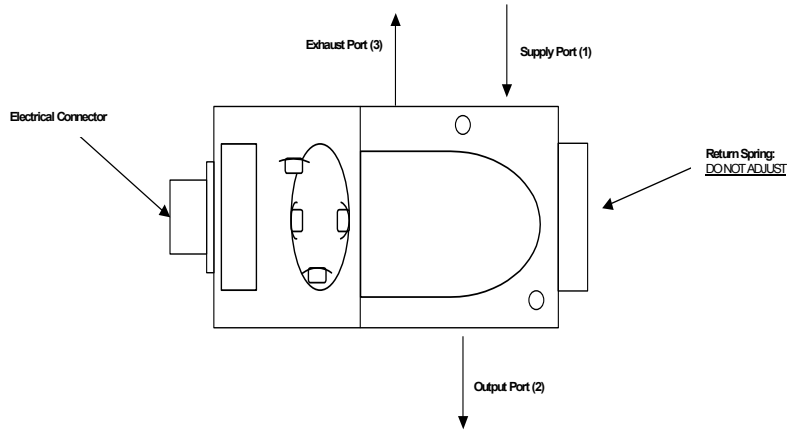
Output Pressure Range: 0-10 bar (0-145psig)

Media: Clean, dry 50µm filtered air

Port Size: ¼”BSP or ¼” NPT

Connect pipe-work using 10mm OD, 8mm ID, plastic pipe, cut cleanly at right angles, with push-fit pipe connections.

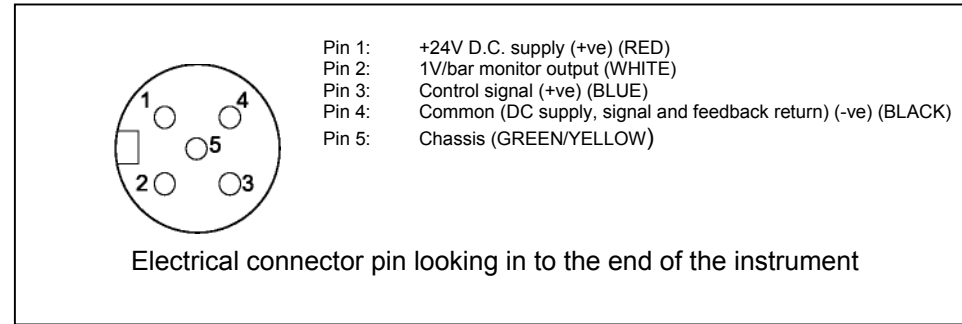
Fit an exhaust silencer to Port 3 if required (this will only slightly degrade exhaust performance) The connector plug must be hand-tight only, to a tightening force less than 3 Newtons.



**Electrical Installation:**

- Power Supply : 24V D.C power supply (± 25% with 250mA current capability)
- Signal: 0-10V, 4-20mA, as ordered
- Monitor: 10V full scale; Switch mode settable

Connect the unit as follows using 5-core, screened cable and the M12 socket connector supplied.



**Programmable Proportional Pressure Control Valve**

*User Interface Functions and Descriptions*

The VP51 has a 2 x 8 digit alphanumeric display with a permanent backlight, which under normal operation displays the current pressure and input signal. This is referred to as the default screen. By using the keypad, the user can gain access to a range of settable parameters.

The VP51 user interface is navigated using a six-button keypad - Up, Down, Left, Right, OK and Cancel:

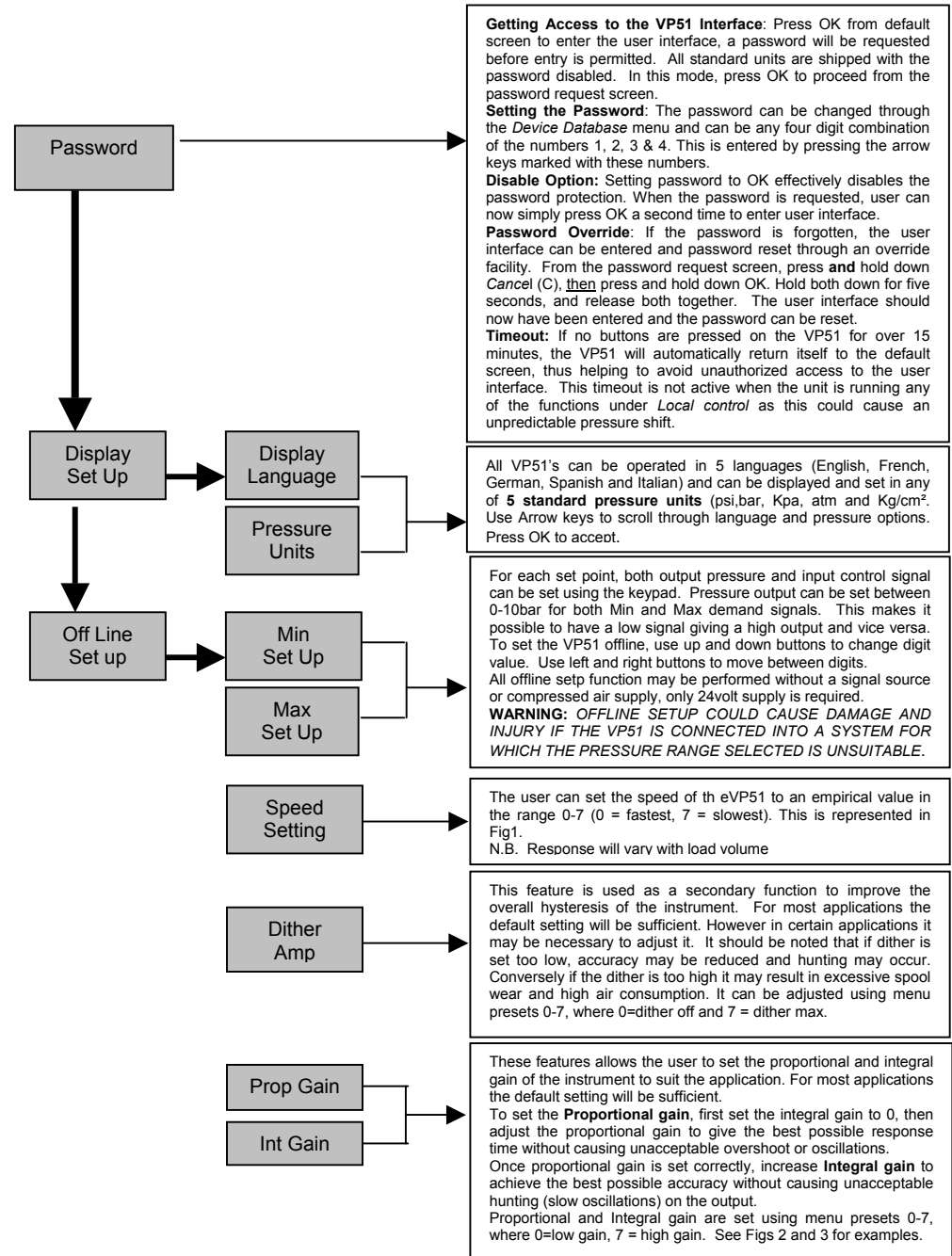
Use the OK button to enter the menu from the default screen, move to the next level of the menu structure and accept changes within functions.

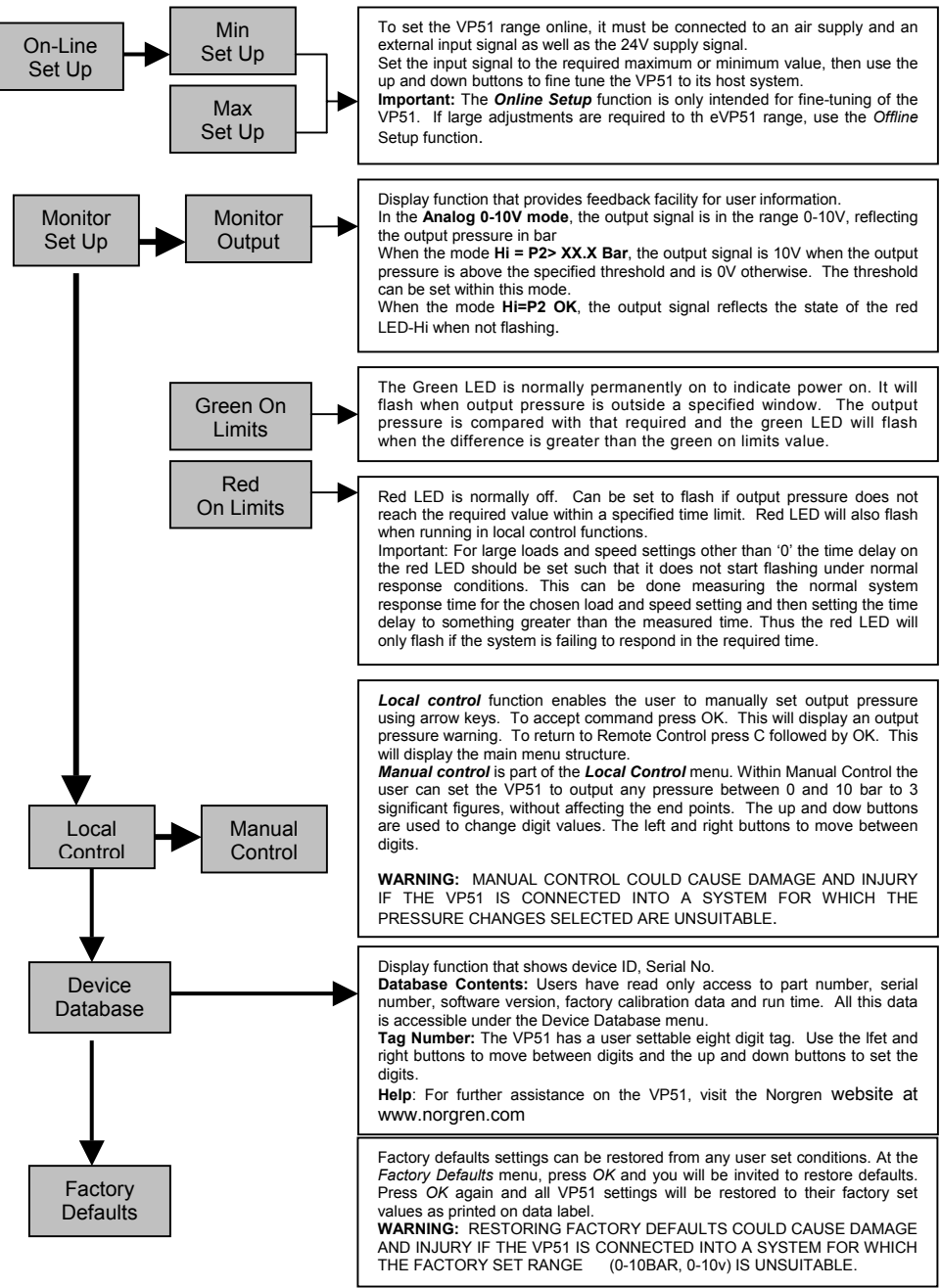
Use the Cancel (C) button to move back through the levels of the menu structure and to cancel changes within functions.

Use the Up and Down buttons to move between menu options within a level and to set digit values within functions. Use the Left and Right buttons to move between settable digits within functions.

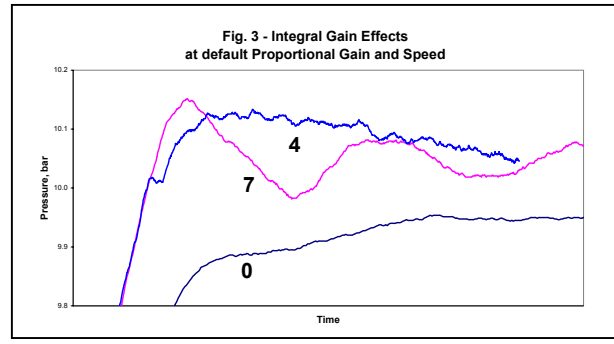
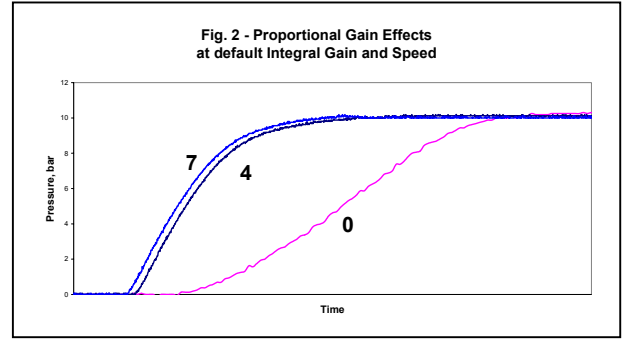
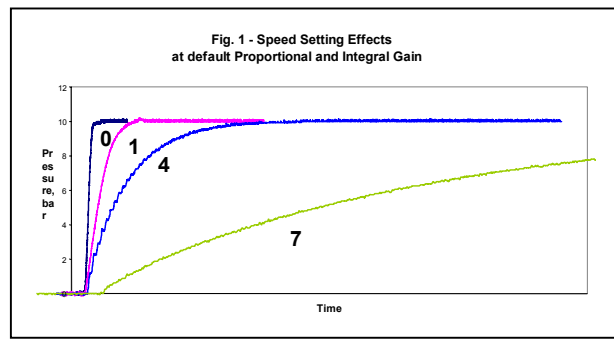
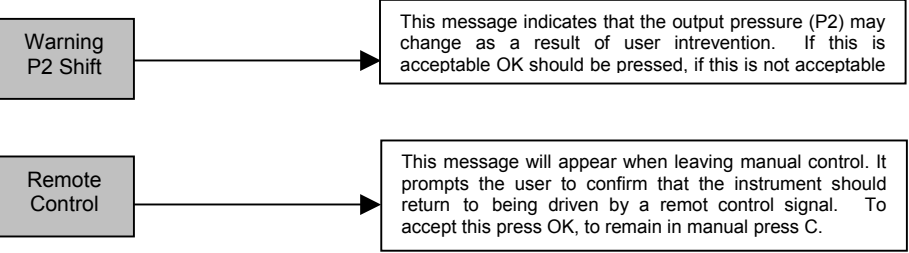
Offline and Online Range Setup: The VP51 input signal and output pressure ranges can be set independently. For both set points, output pressure can be set at any value between 0 and 10 bar, to the nearest 0.1 bar. Likewise, input signal can be set between 0 and 10V (or 4 and 20mA). It is also possible to set the VP51 to be reverse acting, so that for a low input signal, the pressure is high and vice versa.

**Important:** It should be noted that the *Max* and *Min* set points do not become the operating limits of the instrument but are simply the two points required to define the gradient and offset of the straight line characteristic of the VP51. For example, if the *Min* set point is set to 1.5 Bar at 1.0V and the *Max* set point is 8.5 Bar at 8.0V then at 0V the output pressure will be 0.5 Bar and at 9V, the output pressure will be 9.5 bar. It should also be noted that the instrument accuracy, as quoted in the datasheet, applies to the product configured as a 0-10 bar instrument. For reduced ranges, the percentage accuracy will therefore decrease.





**WARNING MESSAGES**



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## MAINTENANCE

The VP51 does not have components that require user maintenance. If there is a concern or problem contact your regional Norgren Distributor.

## TROUBLESHOOTING GUIDE

PROBLEM	POSSIBLE CAUSES	SUGGESTED ACTION
No output pressure	Loss/no control signal	Check connection/wiring
	No Power supply	
	Faulty Ground Wiring	
	Contamination	Use adequate 50 micron filtration
Low Output Pressure	Insufficient Input Pressure	Increase input pressure
	Incorrect wiring	Check all common -ve connections are correct
	Low load volume	Check Pipe size is adequate (ie. >4mm)
Continuous Full Output Pressure	Blocked Spool	Use adequate 50 micron filtration
	Non-common grounding	Check common-ve and earth wiring are correct and separate
Maximum Outlet pressure not available	Insufficient Input pressure	Increase available input pressure
Maximum Outlet pressure too high	Calibration	Check Zero and Span Potentiometer settings
Outlet pressure Oscillates (Chattering)	Wiring problem	Check common -ve
	Interference Effects	Use shielded cable
	Calibration	Reduce Gain Setting
	Low load volume	Check Pipe Assembly
Unit behaves above/below specification	Settings changed from Factory Set-up	Customer to re-adjust Zero and Span in unison
	Check signs of damage to external casing	
	Age of Unit	
Unit has an air leak	Confirm system set-up.	If mis-handling of unit has led to failure such as incorrect voltage supplied to PCB or contamination the unit will be considered beyond repair.
	Correct power and pressure inputs	
	Has the unit been opened?	

## SPECIFICATIONS

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Medium:	Compressed air, Non-lubricated
Input/Output Signal	See Product Selector on Datasheet
Supply Pressure Range	Up to 10bar, user adjustable
Preferred Range (low Pressure)	5bar minimum operating pressure
Operating Temperature Range	-20°C to 50°C (ambient)
Dew Point	-20°C pressure at 7bar g in accordance with ISO 8573.1
Environmental Protection	IP65 in normal operation
RFI/EMI Protection is incorporated	

## TYPICAL PERFORMANCE FIGURES

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Accuracy	±100mbar (1% full 10 bar range)
Supply Pressure Effect	1 bar (14.5 psi) above maximum output required. Up to 14bar (203 psi max)
Temperature Effect	Typically better than 0.03% of span/°C for span and zero over operating range
Response Time	<80mS (10-90% step into 0.1I load)
Flow Capacity	1300 l/min
Air Consumption (Typical)	<5l/min
Input Impedance	10KΩ for voltage variants 250Ω for current variants
Insulation Resistance	>100MΩ at 50Vdc, electrical terminals to case
Over Current Protection	Over voltage to 30V (non-continuous, 60 seconds) Variant
Long Term Stability	100-200 million cycles
Rangeability	Multiturn trim pots for zero and span, accessible via removeable grommet. Zero and span pots to provide 50% rangeability (applicable to variants listed in Input Impedance).
Life	>30 million 100% steps



Thank you for reading this data sheet.

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