

# **MANUAL**

# **INSTALLATION – OPERATION**

## PNEUMATIC BRAKE VALVE KIT

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### INTRODUCTION

The following installation manual has been prepared to be used with the Continental Railworks model **H105A017** and **H105A108** Pneumatic Brake Valve Kits.

At any time technical assistance can be obtained from the hi-rail manufacturer. A simple phone call to Continental Railworks can eliminate many time consuming problems or questions. Technical assistance is available Monday to Friday, from 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. ET, by calling (514) 956-8081, faxing (514) 956-0737 or emailing admin@continentalrailworks.com. Support personnel are frequently available during off-peak hours as well, so please do not hesitate to call or fax outside the hours listed above, including nights and weekends. It is also possible to leave a message at any time, and your call will be returned as soon as possible.

#### GENERAL INFORMATION

#### **GENERAL DESCRIPTION**

The Continental Railworks Pneumatic Brake Valve Kit has been designed to isolate the hi-rail air brakes from the chassis' main air brake system. It features brake pedal proportionality and pressure adjustability to fine tune the braking performance on rail.

The valve kit is designed to be installed between the frame rails of the vehicle.

Part number for replacement of the Pneumatic Brake Valve Kit is H105A017 (front brakes only). Part number for replacement of the Pneumatic Brake Valve Kit is H105A018 (front and rear brakes).

#### ! SAFETY WARNING!

ALL MODIFICATIONS TO THE CHASSIS AIR BRAKE SYSTEM PERFORMED BY THE INSTALLER MUST CONFORM TO FMVSS 121 (US VEHICLES) OR CMVSS 121 (CANADIAN VEHICLES)

ENSURE AIR LINES AND WIRES ARE SECURED PROPERLY TO PREVENT PINCHING OR RUBBING WHICH MAY LEAD TO FAILURE

# **INSTALLATION**

### **CONTENTS OF KIT**

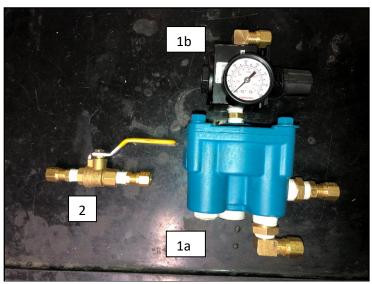


Figure 1: Pneumatic Brake Valve Kit

#### **INCLUDED**

- Item 1 1 x Pneumatic Brake Valve Assembly
  - 1a Pneumatic Relay Valve
  - 1b Pressure Reducer Unit
- Item 2 Ball valve
- Item 3 T Fitting (not shown)

Note: Components may be slightly different in appearance.

#### **NOT INCLUDED**

- 3/8" OD Nylon Air Brake Tubing (SAE J844 compliant)
- Various fittings for connection to chassis air system
- Various fittings for connection of the hi-rail brakes
- Mounting hardware

### LOCATION AND MOUNTING

- 1- Find a suitable location between the vehicle's frame rails to mount the valve kit. The valve kit needs to be accessible relatively easily for pressure adjustment.
  - **NOTE** The relay valve needs to be mounted vertically, with the exhaust pointing down and the service port pointing up.
- 2- Secure the valve assembly to one of the vehicle's cross members using the mounting bracket located on the relay valve.
- 3- Ensure the pneumatic brake valve assembly will not interfere with the vehicle's body, crane, or other accessory.



**Figure 2: Suitable Mounting Example** 

#### **PLUMBING**

- 1- Find an adequate air source to power the system:
  - a. The system needs to feed from the secondary or auxiliary air tanks
  - b. The air source needs to be pressure protected
  - c. DO NOT CONNECT DIRECTLY TO MAIN CHASSIS AIR BRAKE PRESSURE LINE
  - d. DO NOT CONNECT TO THE CHASSIS' PRIMARY AIR TANK CIRCUIT
- 2- Using 3/8" air brake tubing, make the following connections:
  - a. Connect the main air source to the SUPPLY port on the relay valve.
  - b. Connect the bottom DELIVERY port(s) of the relay valve to the hi-rail brakes
    - i. For H105A017 feeding only the front brakes, connect to the front hi-rail air brake chamber through a T fitting and equal length hoses to split the flow adequately between the left and right side chambers.
    - ii. For H105A018 feeding the front and rear brakes, connect one DELIVERY port to the front hi-rail air brake chamber and the other DELIVERY port to the rear hi-rail air brake chambers, both through T fittings and equal length hoses to split the flow adequately between the left and right side chambers.
- 3- Locate and adequate air brake signal line between the foot pedal and the OEM relay valve.
- 4- Install the supplied T fitting and ball valve on the main signal line.
  - **NOTE** The ball valve needs to be accessible so the operator can shut the system off if/when required.
- 5- Run an air line between the ball valve and the pressure regulator installed on the relay valve of the pneumatic brake valve.
- 6- Pressurize the system and verify for air leaks.
- 7- Refer to the schematics and drawings in the Appendices for more details on air line routing.

### **ADJUSTMENT**

- 1- With all air connections complete, perform initial adjustment to Pneumatic Brake Valve assembly as follows:
  - a. Release the adjustment knob on the pressure regulator.
  - b. Set the Pressure Reducer Unit's dial to 50 psi.
- 2- Perform a track test with the vehicle and assess the hi-rail brakes' performance.
- 3- Adjust the pressure value as required to provide enough braking force without locking the wheels in usual track conditions.

# **SERVICE**

### **RECOMMENDED MAINTENANCE INTERVALS**

ITEM	FREQUENCY	DESCRIPTION
Pneumatic	Every day	Inspect for leaks.
Components	Every month	Inspect for leaking or damaged hoses, fittings or cylinders. Repair or
		replace as required.

### **CONTACT INFORMATION**

To order parts or for technical support, please contact Continental Railworks from Monday to Friday, 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. ET, by calling **(514) 956-8081** or faxing **(514) 956-0737**. Please have the hi-rail assembly's serial number available for easier tracking.

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#### LIMITED WARRANTY INFORMATION

The following warranty applies to all products manufactured by Continental Railworks.

Continental Railworks (hereinafter referred to as "Continental") warrants to the original purchaser that all equipment supplied shall be free from defects in material and workmanship for a period of 12 months from the date of purchase. If such a defect appears during the warranty period, Continental will repair or replace the defective part or product (at its option) without charge if applicable claim procedures are followed.

The product must have been properly installed, adjusted, maintained, and serviced in order to be eligible for warranty.

The warranty does not cover defects or damage to products that have been improperly installed, abused, misused, or damaged due to accident. Continental disclaims liability for indirect, incidental, and consequential damages, such as damage incurred during shipping and handling. This disclaimer applies during and after the warranty period.

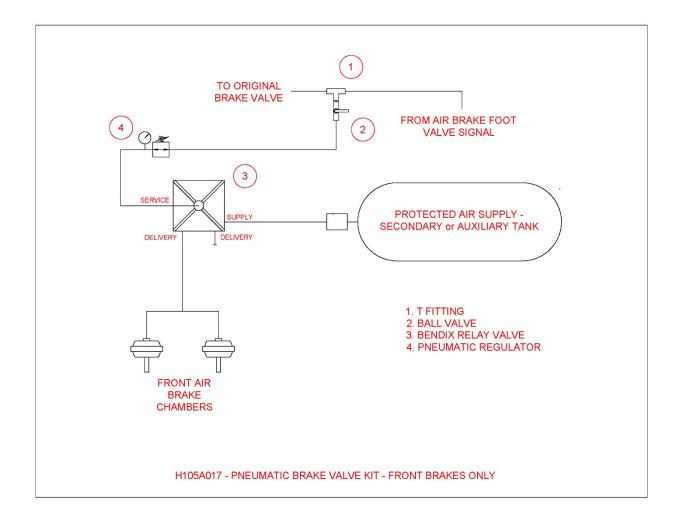
Warranty claims may be made by contacting our Customer Service Department at the address indicated above, or by calling (514) 956-8081. All claims must be made in writing.

Continental or its authorized representative reserves the right to inspect products claimed to be defective for warranty purposes and dispose of the claim as it sees fit, including repair or replacement. Unauthorized repair or replacement prior to inspection may void the warranty. Use of non-OEM parts will immediately void the warranty.

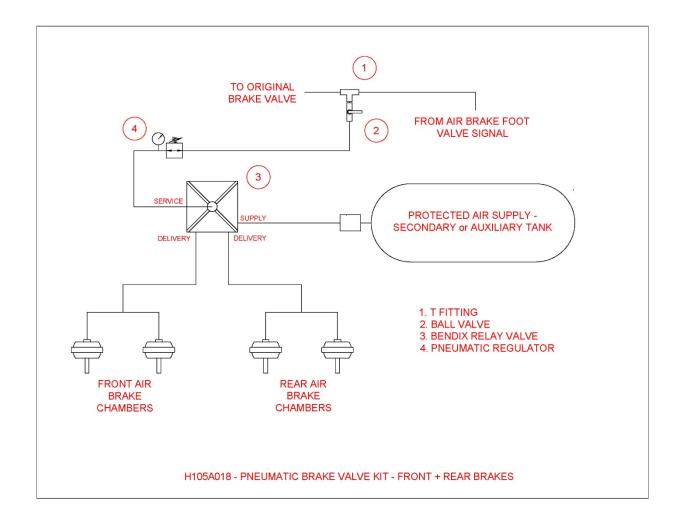
All products or parts claimed to be defective must be returned to Continental for warranty consideration within 30 days of the claim. All items shipped from Continental for warranty reasons will be sent freight prepaid, and all items returned to Continental must be sent freight prepaid.

Labor performed for warranty reasons must be done by an authorized Continental representative or by a person or company pre-approved by Continental in writing. Labor performed without prior written approval will not be warranted.

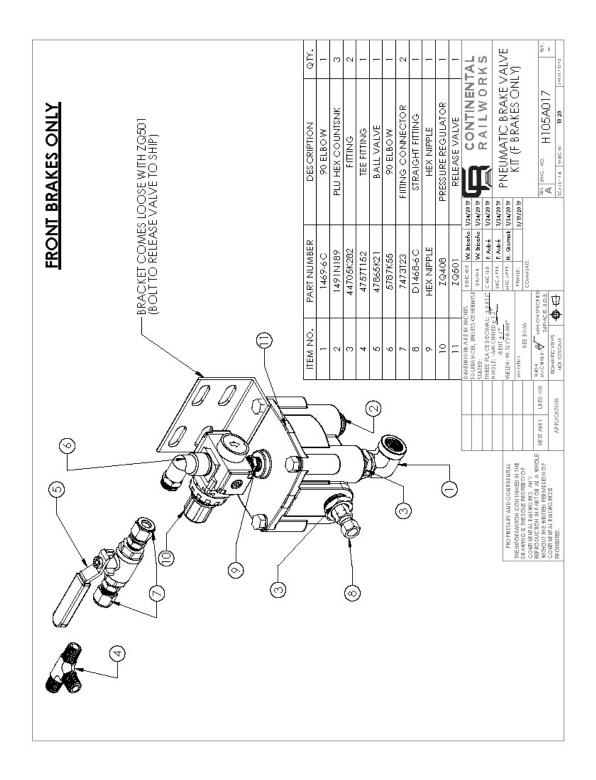
### AIR BRAKE DIAGRAM - H105A017 FRONT BRAKES

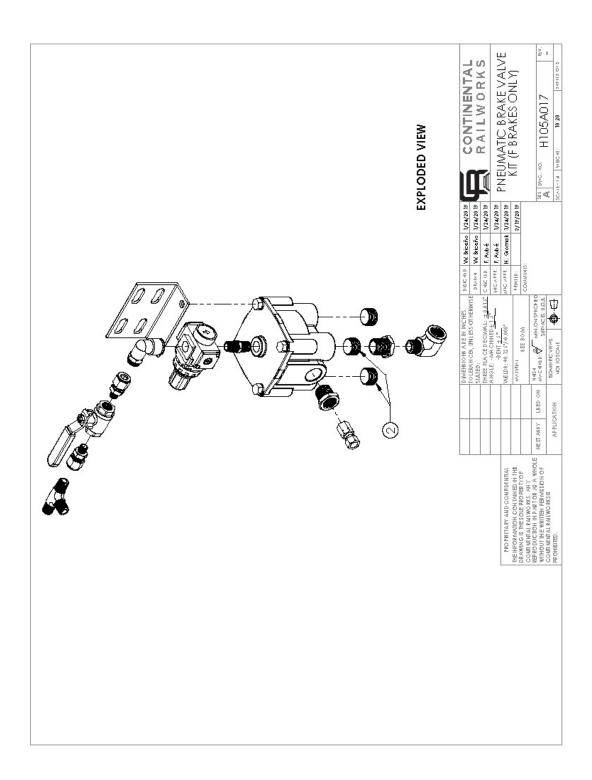


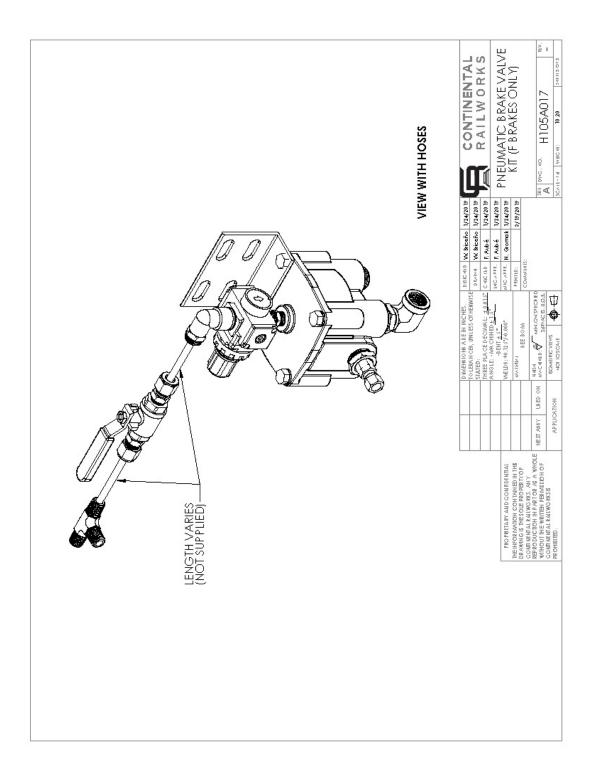
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