



Pneumatic pressure pump P4
for low pressures up to 4 bar.



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0 About this operating manual

- The operating manual is aimed at specialists and semi-skilled personnel.
- Before each step, read through the relevant advice carefully and keep to the specified order.
- Thoroughly read and understand the information in the section "Safety instructions".

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Hazard symbols and other symbols used:



CAUTION! Risk of injury in the case of excessive pressure!

This sign indicates dangers which could arise from excessive pressure in a piece of equipment.



CAUTION! Material damage!

This symbol indicates actions which could lead to possible damage to material or environmental damage.



ADHERE TO OPERATING MANUAL!

- ⚠ Pay attention to and comply with information that is marked with this symbol.
- 👉 Follow the specified instructions and steps. Adhere to the given order.



NOTICE!

This symbol indicates important notices, tips or information.

- ☐ Check the specified points or notices.
- Reference to another section, document or source.
- Item

1 Device description

The P4 pressure pump is used for checking, adjusting and calibrating all kinds of pressure equipment.

It was specifically developed for low pressures up to 4 bar. It is also possible to generate negative pressure, but this is very dependent on the test chamber volume.

The pressure pump can be used for test items directly on location, thanks to its light weight and compact design.

When the pressure pump is used, it needs to be connected to a reference gauge and to the test item (→ § 3 "Function").

Scope of delivery and accessories:

Check the delivered items.

- Pressure pump.
- Pressure hose:
 - The pressure hose is supplied from the factory already screwed onto the pressure pump.
 - The pressure hose should remain attached to the pressure pump during operation, storage and transportation. Removing the pressure hose should be avoided.
- Operation manual.
- Accessories (optional).



Transportation cases, adapter sets, seal sets and reference gauges can be ordered as accessories.

- **Transportation case:**
 - The transportation case provides optimal protection for the pressure pump and other accessories with its tight-fitting rigid foam inlay.
 - A document compartment is located in the lid behind the burl foam inlay.
- **Adapter set:**
 - The adapter set comprises 11 adapters for all common pressure connections with or without pins.
- **Seal set:**
 - The seal set contains flat seals made of plastic and O-rings for all common pressure connections.
- **Quick snap connection set:**
 - The quick snap connection set is available for the simple connection of sensors with hose connections. It comprises a Y-plug connector, PA hose and blanking plug.



- Replacement pressure hose with seals:
The pressure hose is available separately as a replacement part with the necessary seals.
- SIKA reference gauge:
Various reference models from SIKA's product range can be used.



1.1 Intended use

The P4 pressure pump may only be used for the generation of air pressure. Use with any other media, particularly hydraulic oil, will result in damage to the pressure pump.

The pressure pump may not be attached to external pressure sources.

WARNING! No safety component!



The P4 pressure pump is not a safety component in accordance with Directive 2006-42-EC (Machine Directive).

↪ Never use the P4 as a safety component.

The delivered appliance is only guaranteed to operate safely if used for the intended purpose. The specified limits (→ § 9 "Technical data") may not be exceeded under any circumstances.

Before ordering and installation, check that the pressure pump is suitable for your needs.

1.2 Exclusion of liability

We accept no liability for any damage or malfunctions resulting from incorrect installation, inappropriate use of the device or failure to follow the instructions in this operating manual.

2 Safety instructions



Before you install the P4, read through this operating manual carefully. If the instructions contained within it are not followed, in particular the safety guidelines, this could result in danger for people, the environment, and the device and the system it is connected to.

The P4 correspond to the state-of-the-art technology. This concerns the accuracy, the operating mode and the safe operation of the device.

In order to guarantee that the device operates safely, the operator must act competently and be conscious of safety issues.

SIKA provides support for the use of its products either personally or via relevant literature. The customer verifies that our product is fit for purpose based on our technical information. With this verification all hazards and risks are transferred to our customers; our warranty is not valid.

Qualified personnel:

- ⚠ The personnel who are charged for the installation and operation of the P4 must hold a relevant qualification. This can be based on training or relevant tuition.
The personnel must be aware of this operating manual and have access to it at all times.

General safety instructions:

- ⚠ In all work, the existing national regulations for accident prevention and safety in the workplace must be complied with. Any internal regulations of the operator must also be complied with, even if these are not mentioned in this manual.
- ⚠ Never use the pressure pump together with an external pressure source. Do not attach an external pressure generator to the pressure pump.
- ⚠ Do not remove any attached components (test item, pressure hose, reference gauge) when the pressure pump is under pressure:
 - ↪ Open the pressure relief valve before removing any of the components.
- ⚠ Do not use Teflon tape to seal the pressure connections. Surplus Teflon tape can enter the pressure pump and damage it.
 - ↪ Only use adapters and seals that are available as accessories.
- ⚠ Non-pressurised storage: Only store the pressure pump with the pressure relief valve open. This ensures that no pressure can be built up by unintentional pumping movements.
- ⚠ Avoid external force of all kinds towards the pressure pump and its operating elements.
- ⚠ Do not use the pressure pump if it is damaged or defective.

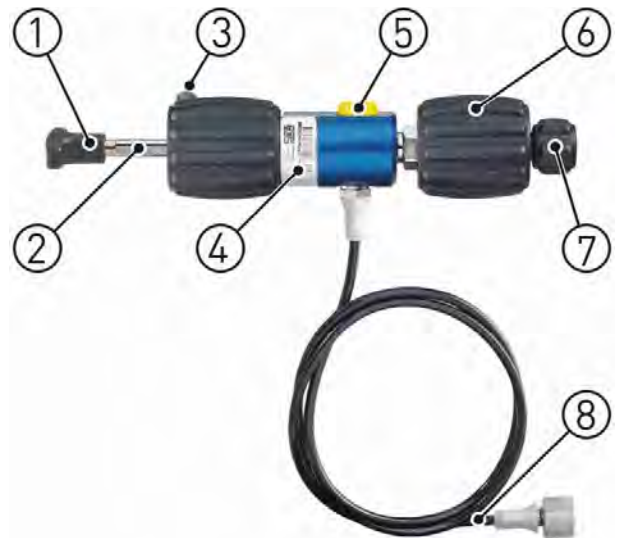
Special safety instructions:

Warnings that are specifically relevant to individual operating procedures or activities can be found at the beginning of the relevant sections of this operating manual.

3 Construction and function

Construction:

- ① Pump grip.
- ② Piston rod.
- ③ Lock-on button.
- ④ Pump body with hand grip.
- ⑤ Connector reference gauge.
- ⑥ Fine adjustment valve (hand wheel).
- ⑦ Pressure relief valve (rotary knob).
- ⑧ Pressure hose with cap screw (test item connection).



Function:

The correct functioning of the P4 pressure pump requires the pressure-proof connection of a reference (a) and a test item (b). The test item respectively the pressure device to be tested (hereafter referred to as 'test item') is connected to the cap screw of the pressure hose (8).

The upstream pressure in the measurement setup is generated by the integrated piston pump (1 + 2). The number of pump movements depends on the required test pressure and on the volume of the measurement setup.

To perform tests at low pressure, a 100-percent sealing of the test chamber is required. To accomplish this, an additional valve – the test chamber valve – is closed between the pump room and the test chamber. Set the pressure to the required value through the fine adjustment valve (6).

The pressure can be correspondingly reduced or completely relieved with the pressure relief valve (7).

The generated pressure is displayed on the reference test gauge (a) and compared with the measurements of the test item (b).



Example measurement setup

4 Commissioning

In order for the pressure pump to be operated, it is vital that its connections with the reference gauge and the test item are pressure-resistant. The pressure hose is supplied already bolted on to the pressure pump and should not be removed.

CAUTION! Material damage!



The test item must have absolutely nothing adhering to it (oil, grease, water ...). Impurities can be transported into the pressure pump via the pressure hose, causing damage to the pump.



Maximum torque of the pressure connections!

Reference: 15 Nm

Test item: 15 Nm

Complete the following steps before using the pressure pump:

- ↪ Screw the reference gauge tightly to the top of the pressure pump with the correct seal (Connector reference gauge G 1/4).
- ↪ Clean the connection of the test item and ensure that no oil or other substances can enter into the pressure hose.
- ↪ Select the suitable adapters and seals for the test item's connection.
- ↪ Join the adapters and seals to the test item and the cap screw of the pressure hose (G 1/4). Whilst doing this ensure that the O-ring is correctly positioned in the cap screw.

5 Operation

CAUTION! Damage to valve stop!



If put under too much strain the stop and the pressure pump will be damaged.

- ↪ Only continue to tighten the valves (the fine adjustment, pressure relief and switch valves) by hand, once the stop has been reached.

Before using the device, check that

- the reference gauge is connected to the pressure pump.
- the test item is joined to the pressure hose.
- all pressure connections are correctly in place, so that they resist pressure.

5.1 Generating pressure

CAUTION! Damage to test item!



Adhere to the maximum pressure of the test item!

Only create an admission pressure with the pump that is lesser than the necessary testing pressure. Following this carefully increase the pressure using the fine adjustment valve.

Preparation:

- ↪ If necessary, switch on the reference manometer and the test item.
- ↪ Close the pressure relief valve.
Turn the valve knob clockwise to the limit stop.
- ↪ Place the integrated test chamber valve in the pump position.
To do that, turn the pump handle counter-clockwise to the limit stop.

Build up upstream pressure:

- ↪ Hold the pressure pump tight with one hand on the handle and the other on the pump grip.
- ↪ Build up the upstream pressure through repeated pump movements.
The larger the volume of the test chamber, the more pump movements are needed.

Seal the test chamber (required at pressure < 1 bar):

- ↪ Push in the piston rod on the pump grip until the limit stop.
- ↪ Slightly press down the lock-on button on the handle.
 ⚠ **IMPORTANT!** If the piston rod is not in the correct position, the lock-on button cannot latch in.
- ↪ Now turn the pump grip clockwise up to the limit stop.
 ➤ The test chamber valve is closed.

Setting the test pressure:

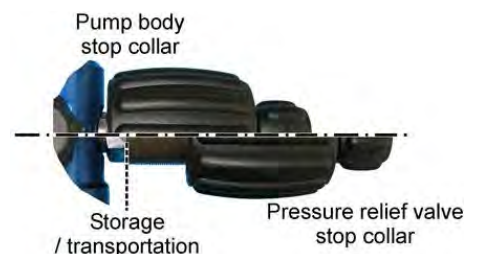
Use the fine adjustment valve to precisely set the required test pressure.

- Turn the hand wheel clockwise to increase the pressure.
- Turn the hand wheel counter-clockwise to reduce the pressure.
- ↪ Turn the hand wheel accordingly to set the required test pressure.

FINE ADJUSTMENT VALVE



When it is not under pressure the fine adjustment valve moves very freely. The wide hand wheel of the fine adjustment valve can be moved into the needed position very easily using with the palm of the hand.



5.2 Generating negative pressure

The generated negative pressure depends greatly on the volume of the test chamber. The smaller the test chamber volume, the smaller the negative pressure can become.

The maximum generated negative pressure is approximately -0.3 bar.

Preparation:

- ↪ If necessary, switch on the reference manometer and the test item.
- ↪ Turn the hand wheel of the fine adjustment valve counter clockwise up to the "Pump body limit stop".
- ↪ Seal the test chamber.
 - To do this, press the pump grip to the limit stop in the pump body.
 - Keep the lock-on button pressed down
 - Turn the pump grip clockwise up to the limit stop.
- ↪ Close the pressure relief valve.
To do this, turn the valve knob clockwise up to the limit stop.

Generating negative pressure:

- ↪ Turn the fine adjustment valve hand wheel counter-clockwise in the direction of the "Pressure relief valve limit stop" until the required negative pressure is attained.

5.3 Carrying out and ending measurements

For adjustments, calibrations or an inspection of accuracy, it is vital that the test item and the reference have the same pressure or negative pressure.

The pressure or negative pressure needed for the test points is built up and adjusted with the pressure pump (→ § 5.1 + 5.2).

When carrying out measurements, also pay attention to external factors such as transient times and ambient and environmental conditions. They can falsify the measurement results.

Carrying out the measurements:

The user specifies the necessary measurement processes.

- Carry out the necessary tests and measurements.
- Document your results.

Completing the measurements:

Once the measurements have been completed, the positive or negative pressure in the pressure pump, the test item and in the pressure hose need to be brought into balance.

CAUTION! Risk of injury through excessive pressure!



Do not remove any connected components (test item, pressure hose, reference gauge) if the pressure pump is under pressure.

↪ Open the pressure relief valve before removing any of the components.

↪ Releasing pressure or equalising negative pressure:
Turn the pressure relief valve knob 2-3 rotations in an anti-clockwise direction and wait until there is no longer any positive or negative pressure.



↪ Remove the test item with adapters and seals from the pressure hose.

↪ Put the pressure pump away along with any accessories which have been used.
(→ § 7: "Maintenance, cleaning, storage and transportation")



REFERENCE GAUGE + PRESSURE HOSE

The common reference models fit into the gaps in the transportation case and do not need to be removed. The pressure hose can also remain attached to the pressure pump. It should generally never be removed.

6 Problems

CAUTION! Material damage!



The pressure pump cannot be repaired by the user. In case of a defect, the device must be replaced or returned to the manufacturer for repair.

↪ Never open up the pressure pump and / or perform any repairs yourself.

The following table details what problems you can solve yourself and how to solve them.

Problem	Possible cause	Remedy
Pressure cannot be built up (generating negative pressure).	Defective / incorrect seal.	Check seal (size / material / wear).
	Seal incorrectly positioned.	Check positioning of seal.
	Pressure relief valve open.	Close pressure relief valve.
Pressure or negative pressure fades (unstable).	Leakage in the test item.	Check connections.
		Check positioning of seals.

7 Maintenance, cleaning, storage and transportation

Maintenance:

No maintenance is required for the pressure pump and it cannot be repaired by the operator either. In the case of a defect the appliance must be sent back to the manufacturer for repair.

- ↪ Check the seals and O-rings for fractures and wear before use.
- ↪ Replace defective or worn seals and O-rings.

Cleaning:

Clean the hand pressure pump with a dry or slightly damp lint-free cloth.

Do not use sharp objects or aggressive cleaning agents to clean the pump. Avoid contact with fluid or aggressive media.

Storage and transportation:

For storage and transportation we recommend our transportation case, which is available as an accessory.

The tight-fitting rigid foam inlay offers optimum protection for the pressure pump with pressure hose and accessories. A reference gauge of a suitable size can be transported and stored in the case without being removed.

Before storage, we recommend that you consider the following points:

- Clean the pressure pump and the accessories.
- Turn the fine adjustment valve in a clockwise direction until the thread is no longer visible (→ illustration).
- Open the pressure relief valve.
- Turn the pump grip counter-clockwise up to the limit stop.



IMPORTANT! Do not store under pressure!

Only store the pressure pump with the pressure relief valve open. This ensures that no pressure can be built up by unintentional pumping movements.

8 Disposal



CAUTION! Risk of injury!

Never remove the device from a measuring arrangement in operation.

↪ Make sure that the measuring arrangement is shut down professionally.

Before disposal:

Prior to disposal, ensure that

- the measuring arrangement is switched off and is in a safe and de-energised state.
- the measuring arrangement is depressurised and has cooled down.
- all mounted parts were removed from the pressure pump.

Disposal:



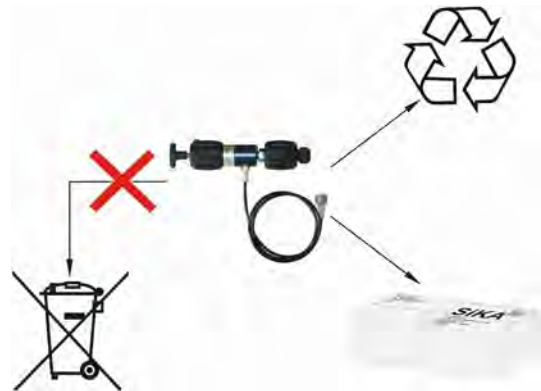
No household waste!

The pressure pump P4 consists of various different materials. It should not be disposed of with household waste.

↪ Take the P4 to your local recycling plant

or

↪ send the P4 back to your supplier or to SIKA.



9 Technical data

Type	P4
Pump with hose	
Medium:	Air
Pressure range:	
- Positive pressure	4 bar
- Negative pressure	-0,3 bar (depending on test item / Reference)
Connection:	
- Reference	G ¼ and Quick-Snap Y-plug connection with PA hose (2 x 1 m)
- Test item	G ¼ with Quick-Coupling and pressure hose (1 m)
Dimensions:	~ 225 x ø50 mm
Weight:	~ 980 g

9.1 Accessories

Accessories	
Adapter set:	G ⅛ , G ¼ , G ⅜ , G ½ NPT ⅛" , NPT ¼" , NPT ½" M12x1,5 , M20x1,5 G ⅛ A , G ¼ A
Seal set:	Flat seals made of plastic and O-rings
Transportation case:	
- Lid	Burl foam with document compart- ment
- Main compartment	Tight-fitting rigid foam inlay for pump and accessories
- Dimensions	~ 450 x 370 x 110 mm
- Weight with pump and accessories	~ 4,2 kg
Quick-Snap connection set:	Y-connector with 2 x 1m PA-hose (6/4 mm) and blanking plugs
Pressure hose:	Replacement pressure hose with seals

Illustration (example):
Pressure pump with accessories