

#### **Repair Tools**

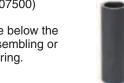


Use the DADCO Valve Bleed Tool to slowly discharge a spring to the desired pressure.



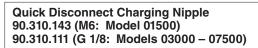
Removal Sleeve • 90.340. (01500, 03000, 05000, 07500)

To position the cartridge below the C-ring groove when assembling or disassembling a gas spring.



#### Standard Load Cell • 90.300. (01500, 03000, 05000, 07500)

When used with a Portable Test Stand, the Standard Load Cell gives precise measurement of gas spring charging pressure. Request bulletin # 97B119G.



Use the DADCO Quick Disconnect Charging Nipple to charge 90.9 Series Gas Springs.





90.310.111

## Charging Assembly • 90.310.040

Use the DADCO Quick Disconnect Charging Assembly with the charging nipple or pressure analyzer to charge self-contained gas springs. It can also be used with a DADCO control panel for charging linked systems.

## **Cartridge Starter Kit**

(1500, 3000, 5000, 7500)

The Cartridge Starter Kit includes an Assembly Cap (90.330.\_\_) and an Assembly Cone (90.331.\_\_). The Assembly Cone is used to start the cartridge assembly onto the rod without damaging the seal, the Assembly Cap is used to set the cartridge at a proper depth for C-Ring installation.



#### C-Ring Removal Tool • 90.356

To remove the C-style retaining ring safely in a single controlled motion.



#### T-Handle • 90.320.2 (M8 thread)

To remove the piston rod when disassembling and position correctly when reassembling.



## Port Servicing Tool • 90.320.8

To perform all necessary servicing to the valve compartment.



#### Portable Test Stand • 90.305.3

Use the Portable Test Stand in conjunction with a Standard Load Cell for precise measurement of gas spring force. For more information, request bulletin #97B121.



### **DADCO Pressure Analyzer • 90.315.5**

Use the DADCO Pressure Analyzer to easily charge, discharge, and gauge the pressure in DADCO's 90.9 Series Gas Springs.



**Nitrogen Gas Spring Maintenance Instructions** 90.9 Series



### **Comprehensive Guide**

This service manual is a simple step-by-step maintenance guide for DADCO 90.9 Series Nitrogen Gas Springs. Proper repair requires careful examination of all component parts and replacement of any that are worn or damaged. All DADCO replacement parts are available from factory stock.

**Note:** Nitrogen Gas Spring repair varies slightly from model to model and by mode of operation (self-contained or linked). As you proceed through the basic steps outlined in this bulletin, take care to follow the instructions pertaining to your model. All DADCO Gas Springs are permanently marked with model and serial number. Please refer to these numbers when performing repair work and when ordering replacement parts.

#### 90.9 Series Nitrogen Gas Spring Repair Instructions

#### I. Exhausting Pressure

Self-Contained Mode



up for safety.

When exhausting 2. Remove Port Plug pressure, position gas (90.607.110 or 90.505.110). spring horizontally with port Retain parts for use during reassembly.

**CAUTION:** Always wear safety goggles when performing maintenance work.



3. Keeping face and hands clear of port, use Valve Bleed Tool (90.360.4) or Port Servicing Tool (90.320.8) to depress Compact Valve (90.260). Cover port with a cloth to absorb discharge.



exhausted, be sure piston by opening bleed valve on rod will freely extend and control panel. retract into tube manually. If not, try depressing valve again. If still unsuccessful, STOP and contact DADCO.



4. After all gas pressure is 1. Exhaust nitrogen gas



Verify all pressure is relieved by manually retracting piston rod into tube. If rod will not fully retract, release remaining pressure. If still unsuccessful, STOP and contact DADCO.



3. Unthread service fitting and wipe with a clean cloth. Proceed to "II. Port Maintenance" Linked Mode, step 1.

#### II. Port Maintenance -

Self-Contained Mode



The compact valve usually does not need replacing. If it appears damaged, is leaking or sticking proceed to step 2. otherwise leave the valve undisturbed and proceed to "III. C-Ring Removal."



2. Remove Compact Valve (90.260) by unscrewing it with the Port Servicing Tool (90.320.8).



Replace damaged Servicing Tool (90.320.8) to thread new Compact seat. Avoid over torquing the valve.

## Linked Mode



1. Check port for deposits or Compact Valve. Use Port burrs and clean thoroughly. Inspect service fitting and replace if it shows signs of Valve (90.260) into the port damage. Lubricate threads until it fits snugly on the and seals on fitting and thread into the gas spring



III. C-Ring Removal

1. Stand the gas spring upright. Make sure rod is retracted in tube. Place removal sleeve (90.340.x) over rod. Tap sleeve until Dust Cover (90.246.9.x) is loosened. Remove Dust Cover and discard.



Reposition Removal Sleeve and continue tapping until rod cartridge assembly is slightly below retaining ring groove. DO NOT force the cartridge down further into the Tube **Assembly** 



Remove C-style Retaining Ring (90.285.x) tool is firmly seated below using C-Ring Removal Tool (90.356). Position hooked end of tool below c-ring. can. The handles will close For best results locate tool naturally and c-ring will be near either end of c-ring.



Once hooked end of 4. c-ring, begin pushing it toward outside of gas spring extracted as you complete this motion.

CAUTION: Before starting reassembly process, be sure repair area is clean. It is imperative that the gas spring be free of all contaminants upon reassembly. If this precaution is not taken, it may lead to premature gas spring failure.

#### IV. Rod & Cartridge Removal



Cartridge Assembly thread a T-Handle (90.320.2) into rod end. Pull entire assembly out of tube. The spring body can be held in a vise (with soft jaws) while pulling out the assembly.



are removed from Tube Assembly, slide cartridge off of rod and discard. Retain rod for inspection and reuse.



V. Cleaning & Inspection -

To remove Rod and 2. Once cartridge and rod 1. Lightly polish rod surface 2. Inspect Tube Assembly with emery cloth (600 grit). Inspect finish of rod for scratches or gouges. If rod is damaged, it must be replaced



for damage, especially around opening. Lightly polish scratches at mouth of Tube Assembly to avoid damaging seals during reassembly. If damage to Tube Assembly is severe, it must be replaced. Wash, clean and dry the inside thoroughly.

#### VI. Cartridge Replacement & Reassembly



Choose appropriate 2. Thread Assembly Cone 1. repair kit (90.109.x) for (90.331.x) from Cartridge specific model you are repairing. The repair kit number is laser marked on back of the Tube Assembly. NOTE: Repair kits are not interchangeable among



Starter Kit (90.335.x) onto rod. Slide Cartridge Assembly over the Assembly Cone, making sure that the wiper end marked "TOP" is facing up. Place Cartridge Assembly Cap (90.330.x) from Cartridge Starter Kit  $(90.335.x)^{-}$  on top of Cartridge Assembly.

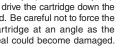


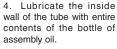
vertically tap the Assembly Cap to drive the cartridge down the rod. Be careful not to force the cartridge at an angle as the seal could become damaged.

3B. The cartridge is now below

the Assembly Cone. Remove

Assembly Cone from the rod.





#### NOTE: For best results, use the DADCO Charging Assembly which has a shut off valve and Quick Disconnect Adapter at the end of the hose.

#### VI. Cartridge Replacement & Reassembly (continued) — VII. Charging

## Self-Contained Mode





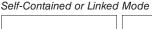
Disconnect Filler Valve (90.310.143 or 90.310.111) into port of gas spring. Connect female end of charging assembly to charging nipple. The DADCO Pressure Analyzer (90.315.5) can also be used for charging, discharging and gauging pressure.



to the control panel, making sure that all connections are tight and that gas spring rods



1L. Pipe all gas springs back 2L. Attach the Charging 3. Open main valve on Assembly (90.310.040 or nitrogen tank. 90 310 045) to the guick disconnect filler valve on







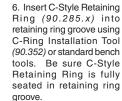
4. Set desired charging pressure on regulator

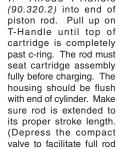
#### Position top of cartridge just below retaining ring groove. DO NOT force the down further into the tube.

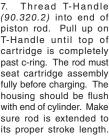
assembly into the tube. To

release any back pressure.

depress compact valve.







# 1S. Thread the Quick

## the control panel.

VII. Charging (continued) Self-Contained or Linked Mode



Slowly open shutoff valve and allow gas spring to reach the desired charging pressure. After spring has been charged to desired pressure, CLOSE HOSE SHUT-OFF VALVE AND TANK SHUT-OFF VALVE.



6. Disconnect charging assembly from charging nipple. The small amount of nitrogen trapped between shut-off valve and filler valve will bleed off as you disconnect fitting.



7. Check for leaks at top of tube around rod and at base around valve compartment by using vegetable oil or





Verify pressure with 9S. Make sure Compact 8S. a DADCO Load Cell using Valve (90.260) is in place a Portable Test Stand and thread Port Plug (90.305.3) or arbor press.



(90.607.110 or 90.505.110) securely over top.

10. Install new Dust Cover (90.246.9.x). Tap with a soft mallet until top of Dust Cover rests flush with top of can. The rod wiper should be visible.



VIII. Adjusting Gas Spring Pressure

To increase spring pressure, thread Quick Disconnect Filler Valve (90.310.143 or 90.310.111) into port, set regulator to desired pressure and fill. DADCO's pressure analyzer (90.315.5) may also be used to adjust pressure.



2. To decrease gas spring pressure, depress valve stem using a Valve Bleed Tool (90.360.4).