

Fail-Safe, Direct-Coupled Actuators (25/45/90 in-lb.)

MEP-4200/4500/4900 Series



Installation Guide

Mounting

Illustration 1—Overview (Direct-Coupled Mounting)

- 1. Ensure the damper can move freely through its entire range of motion, and fix any binding before installing the actuator. Turn the damper blade to its fully closed position.
- 2. Press (to the right) and hold the gear disengagement lever (see Illustration 1), rotate the actuator to the fully closed position, and release the lever.
- NOTE: Depending on the damper-seal design, backing the actuator off its stop approximately 5° may provide tight damper shut-off.
- 3. Align the actuator and slide it onto the shaft.
- 4. Leaving a gap between the actuator and mounting surface to prevent any binding, finger-tighten the nuts on the V-bolt.

- 5. Insert the provided (HMO-4001/4002, dependent on model) non-rotation bracket into the slot at the base of the actuator and secure the non-rotation bracket with two #8 or #10 self-tapping screws.
- 6. Evenly tighten the V-bolt nuts (30–35 in-lb. on MEP-42xx models or 60–70 in-lb. on MEP-45xx/49xx models).
- 7. If desired, use a 7/64-inch hex key wrench to loosen and position the end-stop screw.
- NOTE: The two holes at the top of the actuator are NOT for use in direct-coupled applications. (They are for remote mounting, such as with the optional HLO-4001 Crank Arm Kit.) For mounting to valves, see the appropriate valve installation guide.

Wiring



Illustration 2—Cables and Terminal Block Options

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A CAUTION

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Risk of electrical shock.	Risque de choc électrique.
Disconnect ALL power	Débranchez l'alimentation
before servicing. More than	avant l'entretien. Plus d'un
one disconnect provided	sectionneur fourni sur les
on models with auxiliary	modèles avec contacts
switches. Failure to follow	auxiliaires. L'inobservation
electrical safety precautions	des consignes de sécurité
with live electrical	électrique avec des
components could result in	composants électriques sous
injury or death.	tension peut entraîner des
If both conduit connections	blessures ou la mort.
are used, they MUST be	Si les deux entrées de câble
externally connected during	sont utilisés, ils doivent être
installation. The nonmetallic	connectés en externe lors de
enclosure does not provide	l'installation. Le boîtier non-
grounding connection	métallique n'assure pas la
between the two conduit	connexion à la terre entre les
connections.	deux connexions.
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Depending on the model, signal/power wiring might be to terminals under the conduit fitting **or** to colorcoded wires in the attached cable. See Illustration 2. Consult the model label and the appropriate wiring shown in Illustrations 3 through 8.

For auxiliary switch wiring and setting, see *Auxiliary Switch* (*MEP-4x7x*) on page 3.

For models **withOUT** the attached signal/power cable:

- 1. Loosen the screw on the conduit fitting and lift up to remove the fitting.
- 2. Using a utility knife or drill, cut the hole plug to accept wiring or replace the plug with an application-specific fitting.
- NOTE: The hole plugs (or similar fittings) protect internal components from debris. To guarantee IP54 rating, install an HMO-4521 cord grip (all models) or an HPO-4051 cable kit (MEP-4x51/4x52/4x54 models only).

- 3. Thread wires through the plugged opening and connect to the terminal block according to the relevant model and application.
- For MEP-4xx2 models, adjust the input voltage range, feedback voltage, direction, and automapping as needed. See *Proportional (MEP-4xx2) Models Setup on page 4*. For MEP-4x51 models, adjust the selector switch as shown in Illustrations 2 and 4–6.
- 5. Reinstall the conduit fitting and tighten the screw.
- NOTE: After initial power-up, proportional models have a 30-second delay of motor operation.



Illustration 3—MEP-4xx2 Proportional Control



Illustration 4—MEP-4x51 Tri-State Floating Point Control



Illustration 5-MEP-4x51 2-Position Control (4-Wire), CCW Leg



Illustration 6-MEP-4x51 2-Position Control (4-Wire), CW Leg



Illustration 7-MEP-4xx4 Two-Position (2-Wire) 24 VAC/VDC





Fail-Safe Direction

All models offer selectable fail-safe direction. Proportional and tri-state models also offer the option to turn the fail-safe off (see Illustration 9). Using a small, flat-bade screwdriver, adjust the switch dial to the desired clockwise or counterclockwise direction.



Illustration 9—Fail-Safe Direction Switch Dial

NOTE: After initial connection or reconnection to power on MEP-4xx2 proportional models, proper fail-safe operation might be delayed up to 30 seconds (until the capacitors are fully charged).

Auxiliary Switch (MEP-4x7x)

In MEP-4x7x models, the adjustable auxiliary SPDT switch can be set to trip anywhere between 0° (full CW rotation position) and 90° (full CCW). To adjust the auxiliary switch position:

- 1. While pressing the gear disengagement lever (see Illustration 1), rotate the actuator to the point where the auxiliary switch should trip.
- 2. Using a small, flat-bade screwdriver, adjust the rotary dial to "0" (see Illustration 10). As the

actuator rotates, the switch dial arrow will point to the current switch position (Red connected to Blue vs. Red connected to Black). For example, if the switch is set to trip (dial at "0") when the actuator rotation position is at 45°, then Red is connected to Black from 0° to 45°, and Red is connected to Blue from 45° to 90°.

- NOTE: On MEP-**49**7x models, a second switch is fixed at 10° from full CW direction (Brown is connected to Orange in the 0–10° range, and Brown is connected to Yellow 11–90°).
- 3. Wire the desired auxiliary device(s) to the cable.
- NOTE: For more detailed information, see the MEP-4xxx Application Guide on the KMC web site.
- NOTE: The SPDT switch is rated for 6 A with resistive load or 3 A with motor load @ 250 VAC.

Auxiliary Switch Cable*					
Wire Color	Function				
Red	Adjustable Aux. Switch, Common				
Blue	Adjustable Aux. Switch (see Illustration 10)				
Black	Adjustable Aux. Switch (see Illustration 10)				
Brown**	Fixed Aux. Switch, Common				
Orange**	Fixed Aux. Switch, Closed 0–10°				
Yellow**	Fixed Aux. Switch, Closed 11–90°				

*Left-hand cable, looking from the top (see Illustration 2). **Fixed auxiliary switches (with brown, yellow, orange wires) are only available in MEP-4**9**7x models.



Illustration 10-Actuator Rotation and (MEP-497x) Aux. Switch

Proportional (MEP-4xx2) Models Setup

Proportional actuators are shipped with factory settings of 2–10 VDC input, 1–5 VDC feedback voltage, and CW movement with increasing voltage. To change any settings, access the selector switches and jumper (see Illustrations 2 and 11) by loosening the screw on the conduit fitting and lifting up to remove the fitting.

- 1. Select actuator rotation with the **Direction** switch.
- Use the Input Range switch to select either 0–10 or 2–10 for the VDC input range. This also sets the starting point for the feedback voltage range (e.g., 2–10 VDC input provides a corresponding feedback voltage of either 2–10 or 1–5 VDC). Select the desired feedback range with the Feedback switch.

Switch	Feedback	Direction*	Input Range	
Up	0/1-5 VDC	CCW	2-10 VDC	
Down	0/2-10 VDC	CW	0-10 VDC	

Illustration 11—Feedback/Direction/Mapping Selectors

*NOTE: The Direction Switch has two functions:

- It determines the direction to rotate (CW or CCW) with increasing voltage and is factory set in the CW position (down). To change, remove power before flipping the switch up to the CCW position. Removing power prevents initiation of the auto-mapping feature.
- It initiates the auto-mapping feature. (See description below.) This feature is initiated only by cycling the switch with power applied to the unit. The auto-mapping feature will NOT begin if the switch position is changed with power removed or in the event of a power failure.

MEP-4xx**2** models also offer a **actuator/signal range reset program (auto-mapping)** feature that reassigns the full 0/2–10 VDC input signal scale over a reduced stroke range for more precise control.

NOTE: The auto-mapping feature works best for ranges that are more than about 45°.

To set the auto-mapping:

- 1. If desired, use a 7/64-inch hex key wrench to loosen and position the end-stop screw.
- 2. With power applied to the actuator, flip the Direction switch (from its required CW or CCW increasing voltage direction) to start the reset mode. The actuator will first move to the

CCW limit. The complete reset process will take approximately four minutes.

- 3. Return the Direction switch to the required increasing voltage direction before the reset finishes. The reset process is complete after the actuator has moved to the CW limit and has begun to position normally.
- 4. Verify that the actuator travels completely across the new range.

For example, after completing the auto-mapping program, the **new actuator stroke is 0–80°:**

- With a 0–10 VDC input, a 5 VDC input signal (halfway between 0–10 VDC) will drive the actuator to the 40° position (50% of its adjusted range) and the feedback voltage will be 2.5 VDC if the Feedback switch is set at the 0–5 VDC position or 5 VDC if the Feedback switch is set at 0–10 VDC.
- With a 2–10 VDC input, a 6 VDC input signal (halfway between 2–10 VDC) will drive the actuator to the 40° position (50% of its adjusted range) and the feedback voltage will be 3 VDC if the Feedback switch is set at the 1–5 VDC position or 6 VDC if the Feedback switch is set at 2–10 VDC.
- **NOTE:** After automapping, the feedback range will be equally affected.

Maintenance

No routine maintenance is required. Careful installation enhances long term reliability and performance.

More Information

For models, specifications, and additional information, see the MEP-4200/4500/4900 Series Data Sheet on the KMC web site.

For accessories, troubleshooting, torque selection, links to sample applications, and other information, see the MEP-4xxx Applications Guide on the KMC web site.



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