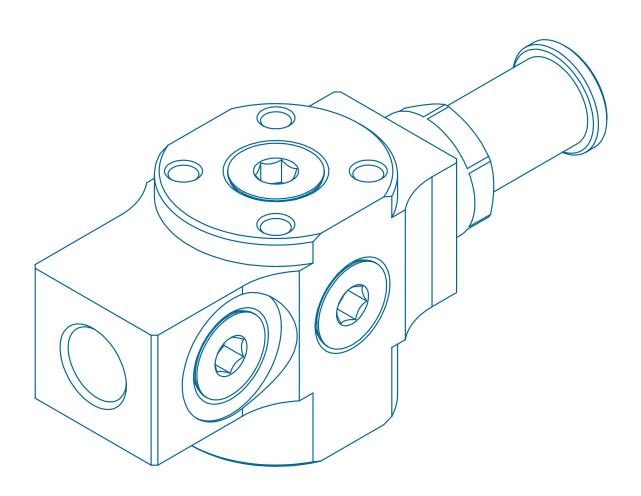
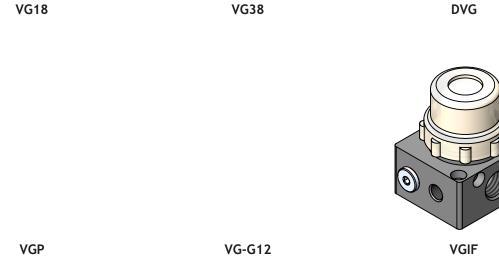
VACUUM GRIPPERS

SECTION 11







VGP

VG-G12

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VACUUM GRIPPERS

ER-SERIES COAXIAL VENTURI TECHNOLOGY

The ER L-series nozzles have been specifically tuned and optimized to provide the high-flow mid-range vacuum that a typical industrial system requires. This vacuum pump can efficiently handle a wide variety of both porous and non-porous applications at only 72 psi (5 bar) air supply.

Additional benefits of EDCO ER L-series venturis are rugged metal nozzles, no internal flap valves to foul and a large nozzle throat gap that allows ingested debris to pass through and out the exhaust. When coupled with the PP or LP purge options, debris too large to pass can be expelled between cycles.

CENTRALIZED SYSTEM

A centralized system has one "central" vacuum pump supplying all vacuum cups in the system so all cups operate at the same system vacuum level. This vacuum level is affected by the flow capacity of the vacuum pump and the aggregate system leakage. System internal volume is increased by the necessary vacuum hoses, manifolds and tubing in a centralized system. The increased volume results in a longer evacuation time for the system to attain a safe vacuum level.

Centralized vacuum pumps are necessarily oversized to provide enough extra vacuum flow capacity to overcome normal porosity and cup wear. However, in instances where there is gross leakage caused by non-sealing vacuum cups due to missing or damaged work pieces, pump capacity can't overcome the leakage and system vacuum level can be reduced to the point where it is unsafe or impossible to pick up the work pieces. Interdependence of all suction cups in a system is not desirable so EDCO has developed components such as Flow Sensor Valves and Dual-Flow valves to make centralized systems perform better by limiting the flow loss from non-sealing suction cups.

Part quick-release, or blow-off, is accomplished by injecting a blast of compressed air through an isolation check valve and into the centralized vacuum system somewhere prior to the suction cups. This pulse of air quickly dissipates system vacuum. Since flow follows the path of least resistance, most of the air can flow out of the pump exhaust instead of to the suction cups.

OPERATING PRESSURE

Operating a vacuum generator at a lower pressure will not result in reduced energy consumption. Energy usage of airpowered devices is measured by the volume flow rate of compressed air. Operating one machine device at 45 psi, for example, will not reduce the overall energy consumption of a manufacturing plant because of all the other machine devices that still require higher air pressures to function properly. The central compressed air system must be tuned to continuously provide at least the minimum air pressure required by any device in the plant.

To make direct comparisons possible, air consumption at different operating pressures must be converted to a "standard' or "naturalized" volume at standardized atmospheric conditions. For example, either 1.0 SCFM (28.3 Nl/m) at 87 psi (6 bar) or 1.36 SCFM (38.5 Nl/m) at 60 psi (4 bar) are equivalent to 6.9 SCFM (195 Nl/m) at standard atmospheric conditions and are thus equivalent compressor loads.

Compressed air systems are designed with receivers (storage tanks) that are charged with high pressure air to serve as accumulators that can supply air flow in addition to what the compressor can produce for short periods of time. During extreme peak demands, the stored high pressure air may be drawn down, or depleted, causing the delivered system pressure to dip below optimum pressure. For this reason industrial machines are commonly designed to operate at only 80 psi, but some plants with marginal air systems may require machines to operate at only 60 psi. Systems that are optimized to operate at reduced air pressure should include air regulators set to deliver the proper minimum design pressure otherwise air consumption (energy costs) will be increased substantially whenever the system air pressure is higher.

VACUUM GRIPPERS DISCRETE SYSTEMS

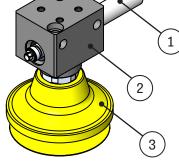
A discrete system is made up of several mini-system units. Each unit consists of a small vacuum pump coupled to a single suction cup so that each unit operates independently of the others. Leakage at a non-sealing cup can only affect the vacuum level of that single cup so any leakage problems are automatically isolated. This gives the overall system the best possible chance to operate reliably even with a reduced number of active cups.

An EDCO Vacuum Gripper integrates a vacuum pump and suction cup into one compact unit to eliminate all excess system volume so that evacuation time is minimized.

A discrete system may be split into several zones that are each controlled by separate air supply valves to allow operation of one, several, or all zones as the application requirements change. All discrete units in a zone are simultaneously turned on or off via the compressed air supply - however, each minisystem unit still operates independently on the vacuum side.

Part quick-release is accomplished by blocking the pump exhaust with an air piloted piston which causes the pump air supply to flow directly into the vacuum cup because there is no other possible flow path. This positive pressure reverse

flow not only provides a very fast part release but also provides a cleaning action to purge any debris that was ingested into the suction cup.



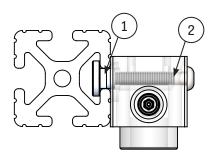
Compressed Air Line
 Vacuum Generator
 Vacuum Cup

RUGGED SHEAR KEY MOUNT

Two-point mount with shear keys eliminates the possibility of the pumps shifting out of position during operation. Work loads are efficiently and directly transferred to the mounting profile so that mounting screws carry only tensile loads.

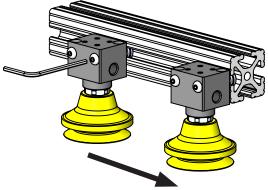
1.) T-Nut - RS-5 2.) M5 Screw

NOT INCLUDED See page 12:10



SIMPLE INSTALLATION & FLEXIBLE POSITIONING

Vacuum Grippers mount easily to extrusion profiles having 5/16" (8mm) T-slots so they can be easily repositioned to accommodate changing handling conditions. The two-point mount provides security and rigidity.



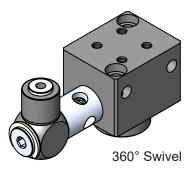
Loosen two screws, and slide the vacuum gripper to the desired location.

POSITIVE PRESSURE PURGE (PP)

Air pressure supplied to the venturi is diverted to the vacuum port by blocking the venturi exhaust with a piston operated by a pilot pressure signal. Push-in tube connector swivel accepts 5/32 (4MM) tubing. Tool separation movement must begin immediately (no dwell) when purge signal is initiated to prevent excessive positive pressure inside suction cups due to forces pressing the tool onto the work surface. Do not use PP option with vacuum switches due to the limited overpressure capability of switches.

LIMITED PRESSURE PURGE (LP)

Similar to Positive Purge except includes an orifice in the purge piston. Purge air flow is not as robust as with the PP option, but air pressure is limited inside the suction cups.

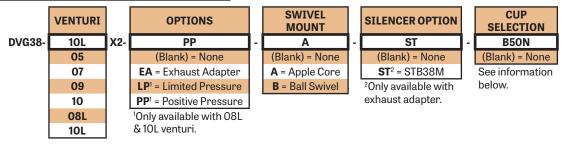


UPDATED 02/27/20 VACUUM GRIPPERS VACUUM SWIVEL SILENCER CUP VENTURI SENSOR PORT PURGE¹ **OPTION**⁴ SELECTION PORT **MOUNT**² VG 38 10L PP A5F ST **B50N** Α **38** = G 3/8 05 (Blank) = None 18 = G1/8 NPSF 07 **LP** = Limited Pressure **A** = Apple Core A5F = A Side ST = STA14M See information **B** = Ball Swivel ⁴Not available below. 09 **PP** = Positive Pressure with purge. 10 ¹Only available with 08L ²Only available

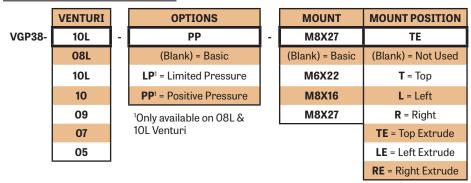
with VG38.

DUAL VENTURI VACUUM GRIPPERS

<mark>08L</mark> 10L



VACUUM GRIPPER PUMPS



& 10L venturi.

VACUUM CUP SELECTION

Choose vacuum cup style, size, and rubber material from section 2 of this catalog and add this information as a suffix to the VG pump model number. For example: VG38-10LPP pump and XP-B50N cup are selected. So, the complete Vacuum Gripper model number would be VG38-10LPP-B50N. For simplified ordering, several Vacuum Gripper model numbers are tabulated, but other combinations are readily available at standard prices. Contact your local EDCO USA distributor or call EDCO for assistance. VG18 style pumps should only be used with 10 to 50mm cups due to the availability of fittings required to adapt to the G1/8 NPSF vacuum port.

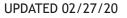
VG38 style pumps should only be used with 40 to 150mm cups due to the availability of fittings required to adapt to the G 3/8 Vacuum Port.

ER-10L PERFORMANCE (NON-POROUS SYSTEMS)											
Cup ¹	B30	B40	B50	B75	B110	BF80	BF100	F75	F110	FC75	FC100
Volume: in ³ [cc]	0.61 [10]	0.9 [14.7]	2.0 [32.8]	6.7 [110]	19.0 [311]	1.8 [29.5]	4.9 [80.3]	1.2 [19.7]	4.3 [70.5]	2.3 [37.6]	4.9 [80.3]
Evacuation Time ² : sec	0.013	0.02	0.04	0.15	0.42	0.04	0.11	0.03	0.1	0.05	0.11
Force @ 15 inHG: lb [N]	4.1 [18.2]	7.3 [32.5]	12.1 [53.8]	30.8 [137]	64.1 [285]	35.0 [156]	65.0 [289]	37.5 [167]	78.3 [348]	29.1 [129]	53.3 [237]

¹Values apply to all cup materials.

²Evacuating to 15 inHG (50.8 -kPa) at 72 psi (5 bar)

All performance data presented is a representatation of production pumps but is not a guarantee due to variations in local barometric pressure and of mass produced components.



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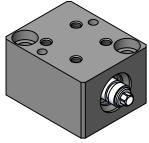
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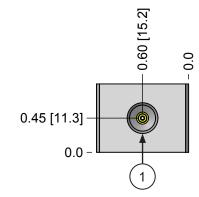
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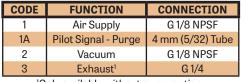
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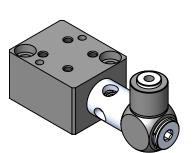




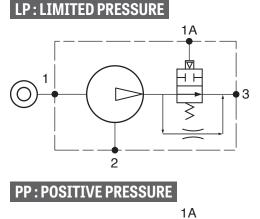


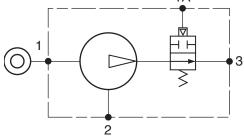
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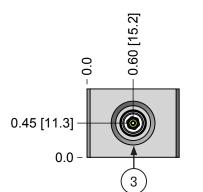
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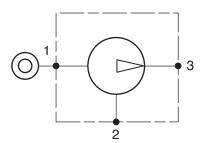


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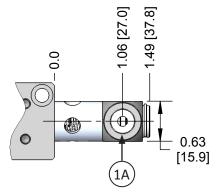




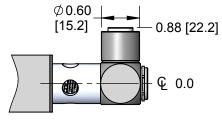




Groove accepts 2-014 standard O-Ring EDCO Part # N70-014 (o-ring not included)



Pilot can be rotated 360 degrees.

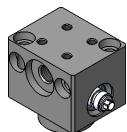


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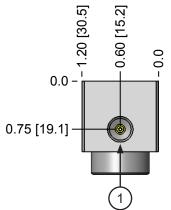
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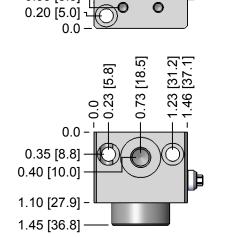
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VACUUM GRIPPERS VG38: BASIC



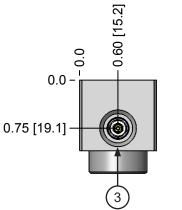
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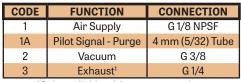


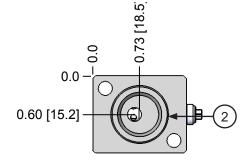


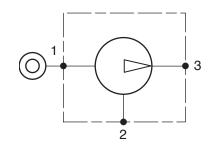
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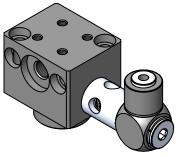




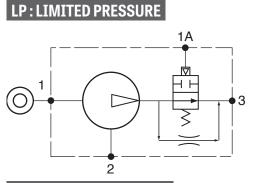


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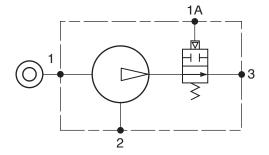
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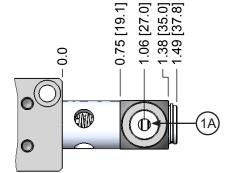


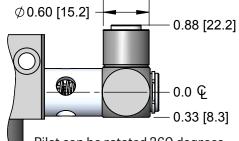
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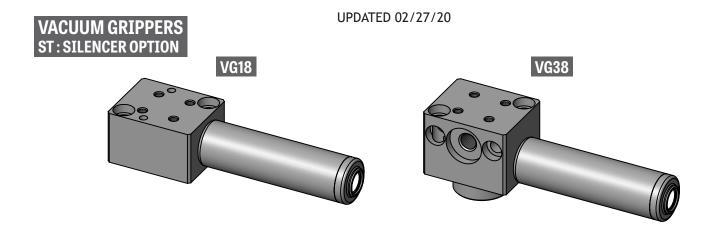
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SENSOR PORT OPTION

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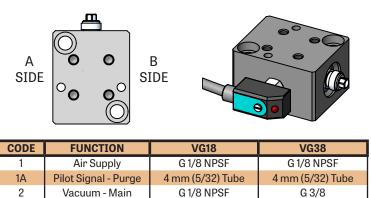
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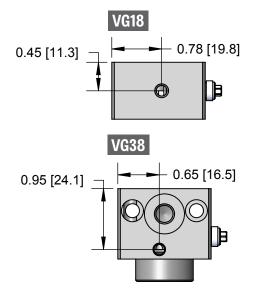
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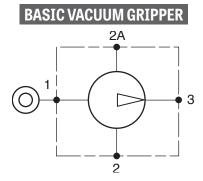


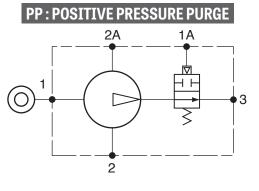
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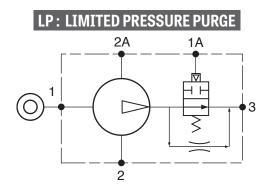


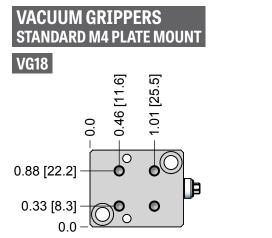


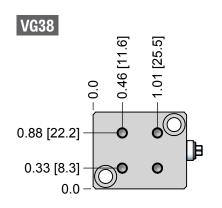


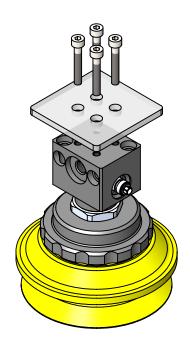
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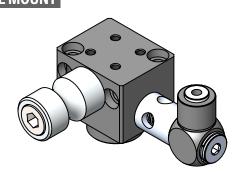


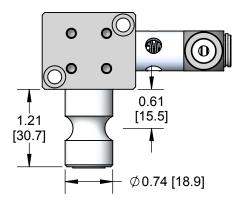




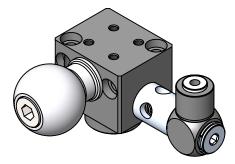


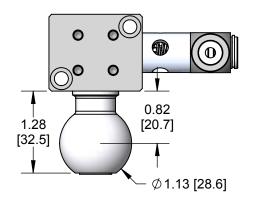
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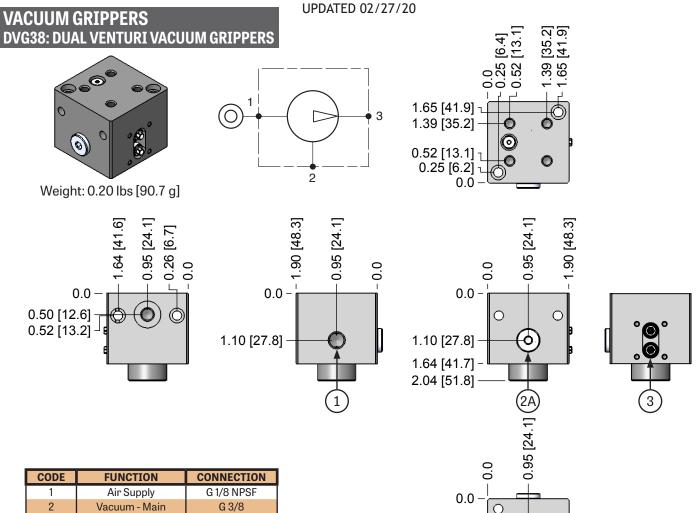




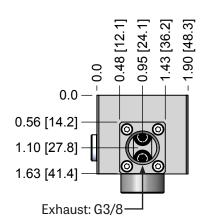
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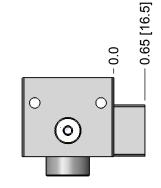
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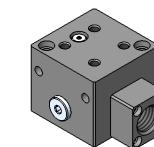


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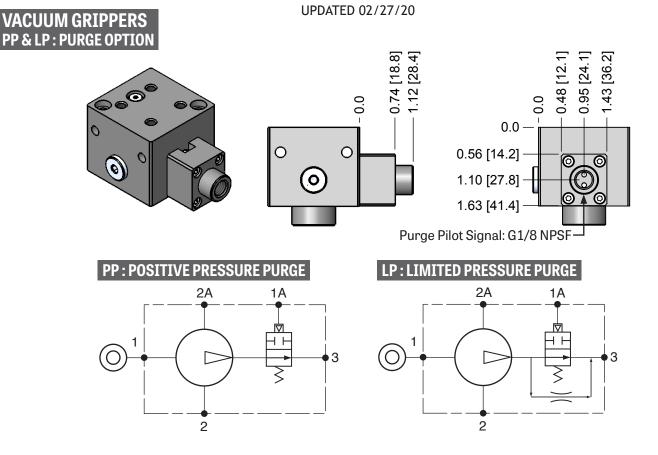
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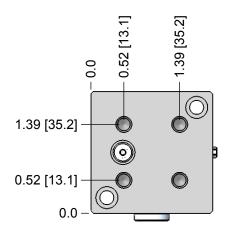


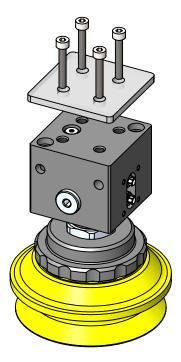


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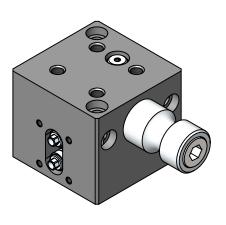
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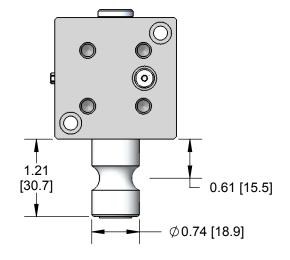




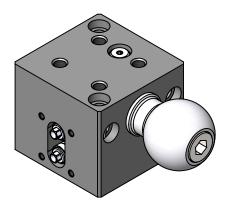
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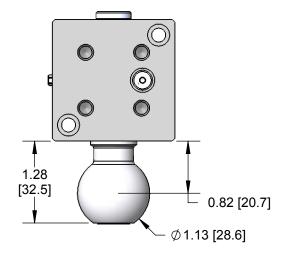
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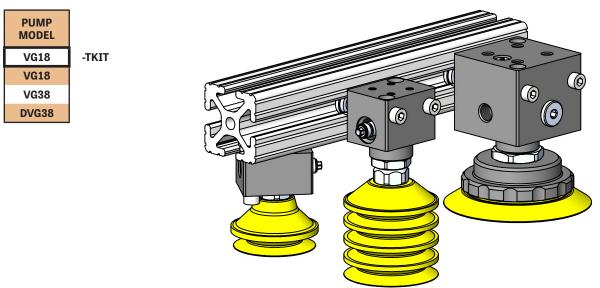
B: BALL SWIVEL MOUNT





VACUUM GRIPPER T-NUT KITS

EDCO Vacuum Gripper T-Nut kits include two RS-5 T-Nuts and the appropriate M5 screws for your pump model.

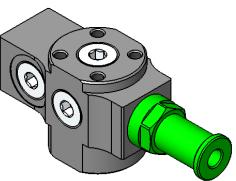


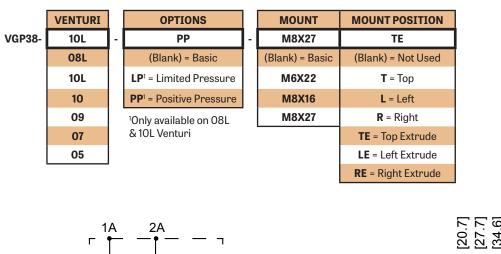
VACUUM GRIPPERS VGP : COAXIAL VENTURI VACUUM GRIPPER PUMPS

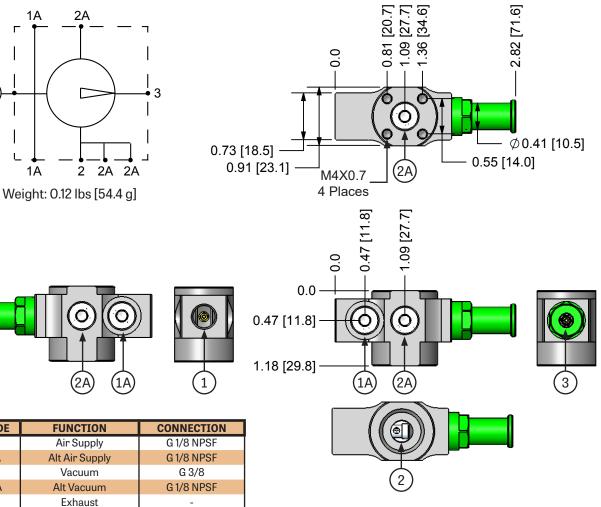
EDCO VGP pump are a direct interchange with brand "P" but provide improved vacuum flow (10L) and better reliability because there are no flap valves or filter screens to collect ingested debris.

Exhaust extension may be removed to add LP or PP purge options for faster part release or for a true reverse-flow cleaning mode to blow out ingested debris.

M6 or M8 stud mounting hardware may be installed in A-Side, B-Side, or Top locations.







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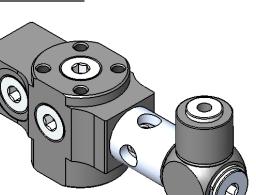
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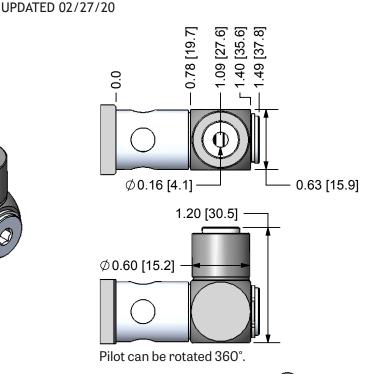
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VACUUM GRIPPERS PP & LP : PURGE OPTION



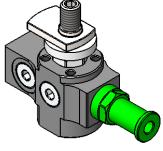
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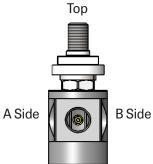


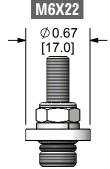
MOUNT OPTIONS

We offer M6 threads by 22 MM length, and M8 threads by 16 and 27 MM lengths. The extrusion mounts come with a T-Nut for mounting to an extrusion.

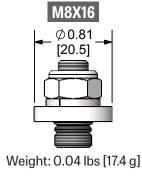
The mounting kits are made to fit into any of the three alternate vacuum ports designated by the Top, A-Side, and B-Side positions.

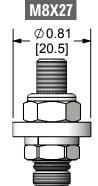




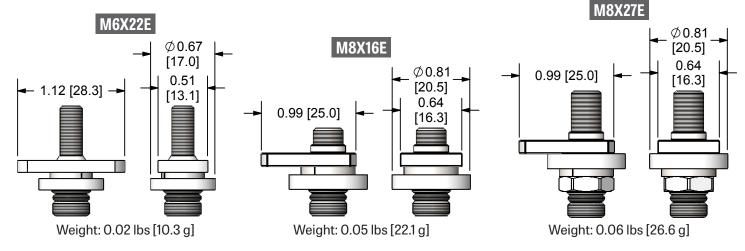


Weight: 0.03 lbs [11.6 g]

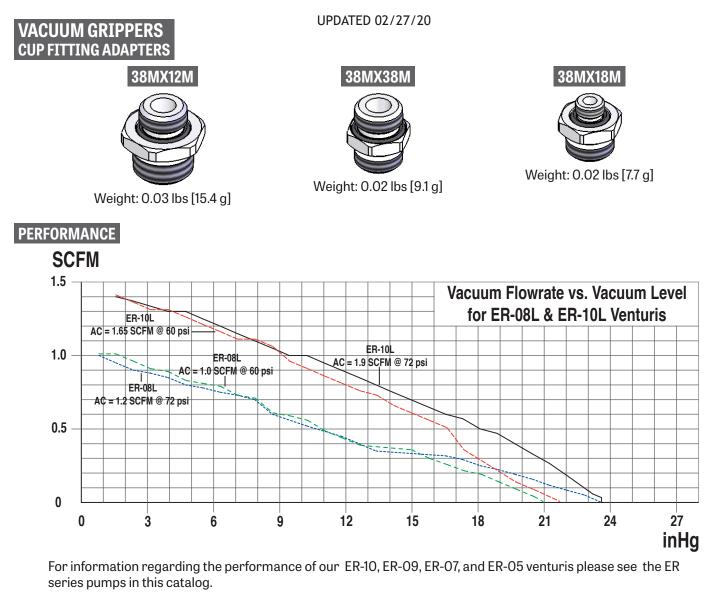


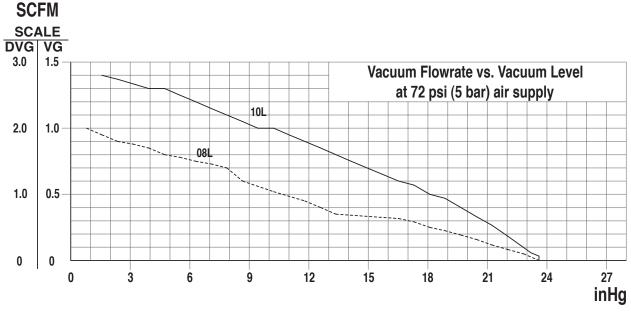


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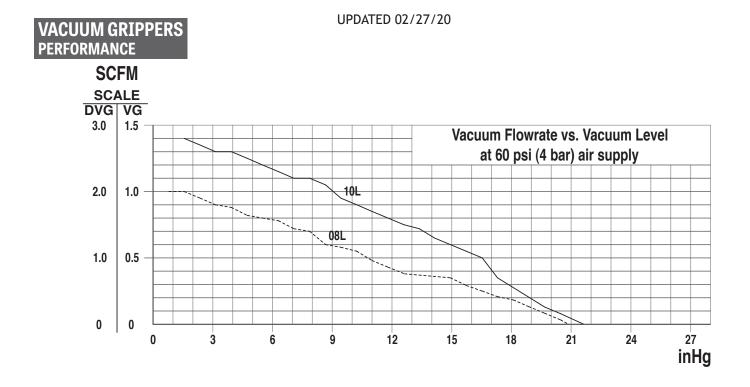


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All performance data presented is a representatation of production pumps but is not a guarantee due to variations in local barometric pressure and of mass produced components.



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EVACUATION TIME

In a non-porous system, evacuation time for any vacuum cup is calculated by multiplying the internal cup volume by the time factor for the desired vacuum level from the Evacuation Time Calculation Table.

VACUUM LEVEL: inHG (-kPa)

TIME FACTOR: sec/in³

For Example: XP-B75 @ 15 inHG (50.8 kPa) Volume Time Factor in³ sec/in³ Evacuation Time = 6.7 X 0.022 = 0.15 sec 12 (40.6) 9 (30.5) 15 (50.8) 18 (61) 21 (71) 0.014 0.022 0.022 0.061

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VACUUM GRIPPERS VG-G12: 1/2" BASE

VG12 has the vacuum flow capacity required for larger diameter cups, especially when they are used on porous surfaces. Multi-stage nozzles have the same flow capacity as EDCO Classic pumps and provide quick evacuation times for bellows cups with large internal volumes.

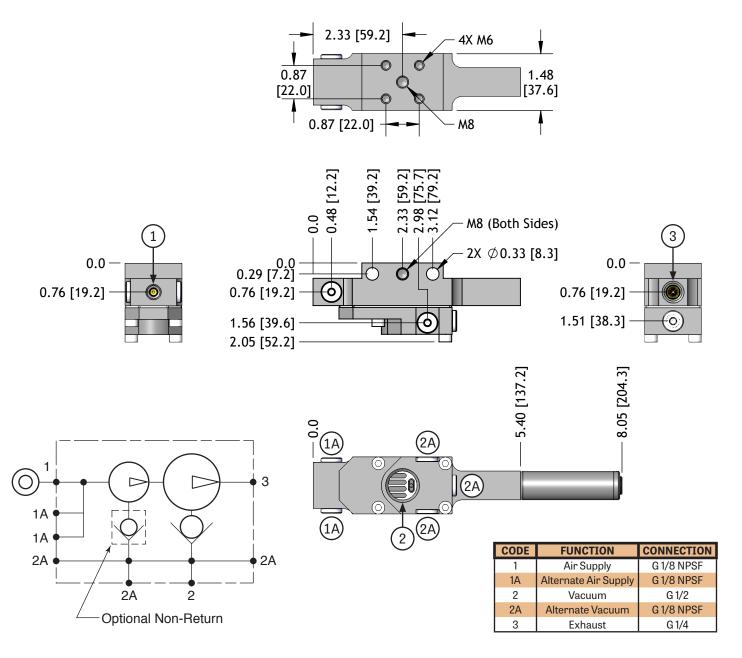
Multiple 1/8" vacuum accessory ports allow adding vacuum sensors or an air-assisted quick release circuit.



¹Viton is a registered trademark of DuPont Dow.

For performance data, see Classic Pump performance.

Weight: 0.70 lbs [315.5 g]



VACUUM GRIPPERS VG-G12: MOUNT OPTIONS

The pump body comes standard with through-holes for mounting to a vertical surface or to the side of an extrusion profile, or optional M8 or M12 stud mounts may be installed in the top or on either side of the pump body (Loctite is recommended).

Our versatile mounting bracket kit may be used to position the pump in 45-degree increments either alongside or underneath an extrusion profile to suit your application.

STUD MOUNTS

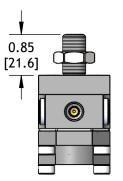
VG-G12-M12

Kits include stainless steel stud and jam nut.

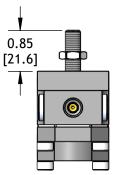
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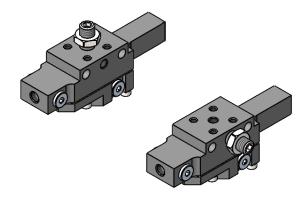


M12X1.75 Stud & Jam Nut





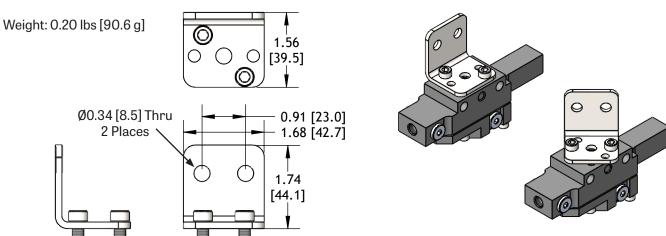




BRACKET MOUNT

VG-G12-BKT-90

Kit includes stainless steel bracket and M6X10 socket head cap screws (2).



VACUUM GRIPPER W/ INTEGRATED FILTER

The integrated filter vacuum grippers work in the same way as the VG38. The body of the VGIF vacuum gripper includes a variety of holes for mounting. Two M5 x 0.8 holes are located on the face opposite the vacuum port while clearance holes for M5 socket head cap screws can be used from a total of 4 faces. This pump incorporates the bowl, gasket, and filter element of our t-style filters directly into the pump base eliminating the necessity of incorporating an external filter into the vacuum system.

