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The following symbols may be used in this manual:



Danger: Immediate hazards that will result in severe personal injury or death.



Warning: Hazards or unsafe practices that could result in personal injury.



Caution: Hazards or unsafe practices that could result in product or property damages.



Important: Instructions that must be followed to ensure proper installation/operation of equipment.



Note: General statements to assist the reader.

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Introduction

General

Martin® AP5 Series Piston Vibrators provide force to activate the free flow of sticky, coarse, high-moisture materials in bins and hoppers. The vibrators require no maintenance when used with filtered and lubricated air.

Vibrators are sized based on weight and characteristics of material in the sloped portion of bins and hoppers. Table I shows sizes of vibrators needed for applications using 1 lb of force for 10 lb of material (assuming the material can flow and weighs less than 100 lb per cubic foot). More force is needed for materials of high density or moisture.

Table I. Martin® AP5 Series Piston Vibrator Selection for Bins and Hoppers

Model	Qty	Weight of Material lb (kg)	Minimum Bin Wall Thickness in. (mm)	Channel Length in. (mm)
AP5-125	1	2900 (1315)	12 gauge to 1/8 (2.8 to 3.1)	18 (457)
AP5-125	2	5800 (2630)	3/16 to 1/4 (4.8 to 6.4)	18 (457)
AP5-200	1	4900 (2223)	3/16 to 1/4 (4.8 to 6.4)	24 (610)
AP5-200	2	9800 (4445)	1/4 to 3/8 (6.4 to 9.5)	24 (610)
AP5-300	1	9800 (4445)	1/4 to 3/8 (6.4 to 9.5)	36 (914)
AP5-300	2	19,600 (8890)	3/8 to 1/2 (9.5 to 12.7)	36 (914)
AP5-400	1	22,000 (9980)	3/8 to 1/2 (9.5 to 12.7)	72 (1829)
AP5-400	2	44,000 (19,960)	1/2 + (12.7 +)	72 (1829)

This manual covers installing and operating Martin[®] AP5 Series Piston Vibrators on bins, hoppers, and chutes. For assistance installing the vibrators for other applications, call Martin Engineering.

Technical data is provided in Appendix A.

Dimensions for each vibrator are provided in Appendix B.

References

The following documents are referenced in this manual:

- American National Standards Institute (ANSI) z244.1-1982, American National Standard for Personnel Protection - Lockout/Tagout of Energy Sources - Minimum Safety Requirements, American National Standards Institute, Inc., 1430 Broadway, New York, NY 10018.
- Federal Register, Volume 54, Number 169, Part IV, 29 CFR Part 1910, Control of Hazardous Energy Source (Lockout/Tagout); Final Rule, Department of Labor, Occupational Safety and Health Administration (OSHA), 32nd Floor, Room 3244, 230 South Dearborn Street, Chicago, IL 60604.

Safety

All safety rules defined in the above documents, and all owner/employer safety rules, must be strictly followed when working on the vibrator.

Materials required

In addition to standard hand tools, the following materials are required to install this equipment:

- Channel Mount, P/N 29928-XX or equivalent.
- Filter, Regulator, Lubricator, P/N 14760.
- Safety Cable Kit, P/N 32271.

Before Installing Vibrator

IMPORTANT

The delivery service is responsible for damage occurring in transit. Martin Engineering CANNOT enter claims for damages. Contact your transportation agent for more information.

- 1. Inspect shipping container for damage. Report damage to delivery service immediately and fill out delivery service's claim form. Keep any damaged goods subject to examination.
- 2. Remove vibrator from shipping container.
- 3. If anything is missing, contact Martin Engineering or representative.

AWARNING

Before installing equipment, turn off and lock out/tag out energy source to conveyor and conveyor accessories.

4. Turn off and lock out/tag out energy source according to ANSI standards (see "References").

▲WARNING

If equipment will be installed in an enclosed area, gas level or dust content must be tested before using a cutting torch or welding. Using a cutting torch or welding in an area with gas or dust may cause an explosion.

- 5. If using a cutting torch or welding, test atmosphere for gas level or dust content. Cover conveyor belt with fire retardant cover.
- 6. Make sure mounting surface is strong and flat, within 1/16 in. (2 mm) across vibrator feet. (This will prevent internal stress to vibrator casting when tightening mount bolts.)
- 7. Make sure mounting surface and vibrator are clean and free of debris.

Installing Vibrator

IMPORTANT

Read entire section before beginning work.

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If installation instructions are not followed, structure and vibrator can be damaged. Abusing or handling vibrator carelessly will accelerate wear and shorten its life.

To install the Martin[®] AP5 Series Piston Vibrator, follow the procedures corresponding to the following steps:

1. Determine where to locate the vibrator on the structure.

IMPORTANT

For material to flow efficiently, it is important that the vibration be distributed throughout the application. The more rigid and firm the mount, the more effective and efficient the vibrator will perform. A weak mount will hamper the distribution of vibration, lower the vibrator's efficiency, and possibly result in vibrator failure and/or fatigue of the application.

IMPORTANT

Piston vibrators produce linear vibration best applied to wet, sticky material adhering to a bin wall. The object is to move the wall back and forth to dislodge the material.

- 2. Install 1.5- to 6-ft (457- to 1829-mm) channel or beam onto sloped section of bin.
- 3. Install channel mount or equivalent onto structure or beam reinforcement, as applicable.
- 4. Mount vibrator to structure.
- 5. Connect lubricated air lines to vibrator.

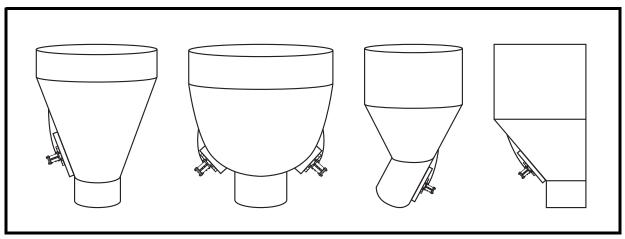


Figure 1. Locating Vibrator on Structure

Locating vibrator on structure

See Figure 1. Locate vibrator in lower 1/4 of structure slope length. If second vibrator is required, mount 180 degrees from first vibrator and 1/3 up slope.

Installing reinforcing beam onto structure



This section provides instructions for installing vibrator on steel structure. To install vibrator on concrete structure, contact Martin Engineering for instructions.

- 1. If using customer-supplied mounting plate to mount vibrator onto structure, do the following:
 - a. Make sure plate is at least the size of vibrator base.
 - b. Locate plate so that vibrator can be positioned as shown in Figure 1.
 - c. Weld mounting plate onto structure.
- 2. See Figure 2. If using Martin® Channel Mount to mount vibrator onto structure, do the following:
 - a. Locate mount so that vibrator can be positioned as shown in Figure 1.
 - b. Install 1.5- to 6-ft (457- to 1829-mm) channel or beam onto chute wall.

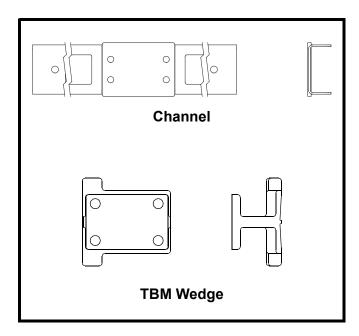


Figure 2. Channel and TBM Wedge Mounts (Top and Side Views)

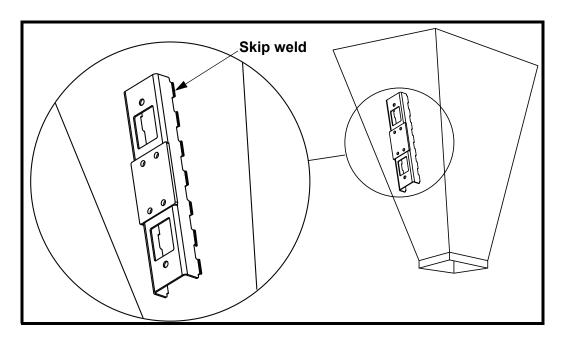


Figure 3. Skip Weld

- c. See Figure 3. Skip-weld beam in place: Weld tabs of channel to hopper wall. Repeat for entire perimeter of beam. Do not weld last 1 in.
 (25 mm) of either end of beam or any corner.
- d. If installing vibrator on hopper with wedge mount already in place, use TBM Wedge (see Figure 2) or equivalent to mount vibrator. Mount female half of wedge rigidly to beam extending at least 3/4 the slope length.

Mounting vibrator onto structure



Move vibrator into final position carefully. Sudden movements could cause piston to fall out of vibrator body causing damage to piston or injury to personnel.

IMPORTANT

If vibrator has been partially disassembled, make sure piston is reinserted correctly.

AP5 Series vibrator without spring must be mounted with a minimum slope of 15° below horizontal. (See Figure 4.)

1. If using vibrator without spring, ensure mounting location has a minimum slope of 15° below horizontal. (See Figure 4.)

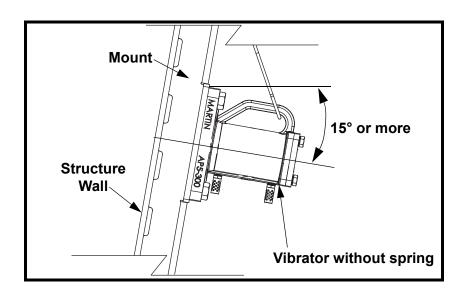


Figure 4. Mounting Vibrator without Spring



Use only new bolts, lock nuts, and compression washers to install vibrator. Old fasteners can break and cause damage to vibrator or structure.

- 2. Install vibrator onto Channel mount or TBM wedge (see Figure 2) as follows:
 - a. Align mounting holes in vibrator with mounting holes in mount.
 - b. Install vibrator onto mount with four new lock nuts, compression washers, and Grade 5 bolts. (See Table II for specific size and torque requirements.) Use lock nuts and lock washers same size as bolts.

Table II. Bolt Sizes and Torque Specifications

Model Number	Bolt Size	Torque
AP5-125	1/2-13 NC	75 ft-lb (10 kgm)
AP5-200	5/8 -11 NC	170 ft-lb (23 kgm)
AP5-300	7/8-9 NC	400 ft-lb (55 kgm)
AP5-400	1-8 NC	640 ft-lb (88 kgm)

- 3. To install TBM wedge onto hopper, do the following:
 - a. Remove hex nut, flat washer, and slide bracket from threaded rod.
 - b. Slide TBM wedge (with vibrator attached) into mount on hopper.
 - c. Install slide bracket, flat washer, and hex nut onto TBM wedge to secure it in mount.

▲WARNING

If vibrator is mounted more than 6 in. (152 mm) above ground, install cable securing vibrator to structure. Without cable, vibrator could fall and cause injury.

- 4. Secure vibrator to structure by installing a 1/4-in. (6 mm) diameter cable assembly, P/N 32271, or equivalent as follows (cable is included with Mounting Kit for Martin[®] AP5 Series Piston Vibrators):
 - a. Weld D-ring (A, Figure 5) onto structure wall (B) above vibrator.
 - b. Loop 1/4-in. (6 mm) wire cable (C) through hole in vibrator top plate (D) and D-ring on structure wall.
 - c. Make sure cable is taut and has 3 in. (76 mm) of turn-back at each end.

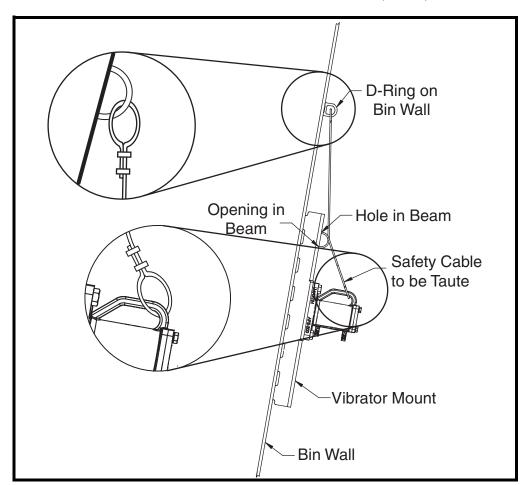


Figure 5. Installing Vibrator Safety Cable

- d. Apply thread sealing compound to threads of nuts on U-bolts (E).
 Install four cable clamps (two on each end) to secure cable to vibrator eye and D-ring. Torque nuts to 4.5 ft-lb (0.6 kgm).
- e. Trim loose ends of wire cable.

IMPORTANT

Connecting air lines

Vibration frequency and force is in direct proportion to the air pressure. At least 40 psi (2.75 bar) is required to operate the vibrator. Martin Engineering recommends using an air filter on the air line (available from Martin Engineering).

Vibrators require minimum lubrication. Excessive amounts reduce their efficiency. Lubricated air must be used at a rate of 1-2 drops per minute at 80 psi to ensure proper operation of the vibrator.

Use Martin[®] Air Vibrator Oil part number 14766 or equivalent.

Always "blow out" new air line prior to connecting the vibrator.

- 1. Run a lubricated air line (supplied by the customer) to the intake on the side of the vibrator body.
- 2. Remove plastic plug.
- 3. Connect air line to vibrator.

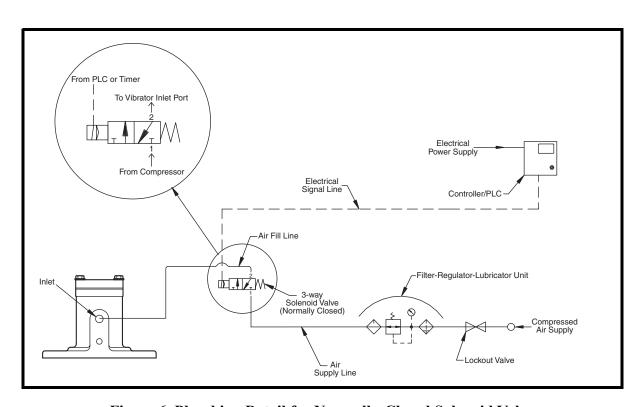


Figure 6. Plumbing Detail for Normally-Closed Solenoid Valve

After Installing Vibrator

IMPORTANT

Read entire section before beginning work.

1. Start vibrator.



Piston vibrators are loud when operating. Use ear protection to avoid impairment or loss of hearing.

- 2. Observe operation of vibrator. If there is noticeable movement of the hopper wall or mount during operation, add more reinforcement to structure (see "Installing reinforcing beam onto structure").
- 3. After 1 hour of operation, tighten mounting bolts while vibrator is operating to fully seat vibrator.

Troubleshooting

If you are experiencing problems with the vibrator, see below.

Symptom	Corrective Action		
Vibrator not moving material	No air pressure. Make sure air is on and reaching vibrator.		
Vibrator making unusual noise	Contaminant has entered vibrator. Disassemble vibrator and clean body and piston. If piston shows signs of wear, replace piston.		
Structure wall moving or beginning to tear	Wall not rigid enough. Reinforce structure wall or mount.		

Part Numbers

This section provides product names and corresponding part numbers for Martin[®] AP5 Series Piston Vibrators and related equipment. Please reference part numbers when ordering parts.

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Martin® AP5 Series Piston Vibrators Part Numbers

Dioton Type	Piston Size					
Piston Type	1.25 in.	2 in.	3 in.	4 in.		
Standard	AP5-125-X	AP5-200-X	AP5-300-X	AP5-400-X		
Quiet	AP5-125Q-X	AP5-200Q-X	AP5-300Q-X	AP5-400Q-X		
Spring	AP5-125S-X	AP5-200S-X	AP5-300S-X	AP5-400S-X		
Single Impacting	AP5-125SI-X	AP5-200SI-X	AP5-300SI-X	AP5-400SI-X		

Vibrator mounts Channel Mount for AP5-125: P/N 29928-01

Channel Mount for AP5-200: P/N 29928-02.

Channel Mount for AP5-300: P/N 29928-03.

Channel Mount for AP5-400: P/N 29928-04.

Vibrator mounting kit

Mounting Kit for AP5-125: P/N 29810.

Mounting Kit for AP5-200: P/N 29811.

Mounting Kit for AP5-300: P/N 29812.

Mounting Kit for AP5-400: P/N 29813.

Miscellaneous Safety Cable: P/N 32271.

1/2 in. (13 mm) NPT Solenoid Valve (120V 60 Hz): P/N 36343-NC.1/2 in. (13 mm) NPT Filter-Regulator-Lubricator Kit: P/N 14760.

Control Line Kit: P/N 39504.

Martin® Controller - single circuit: P/N 38902-20.

Universal Trailer Hopper Mount Bracket Kit: P/N 220985

1/2 in. (13 mm) Bronze Ball Valve: P/N 14824.

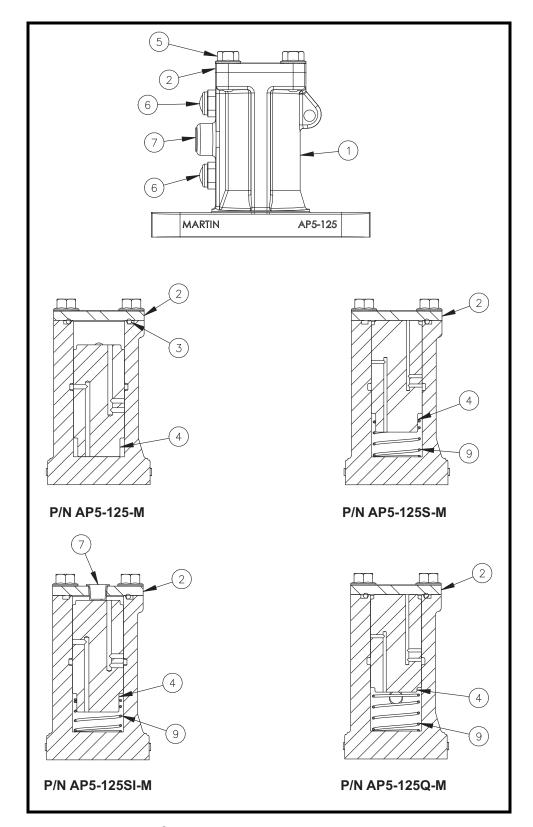


Figure 7. Martin® AP5 Series Piston Vibrator, P/N AP5-125XX-X

Item	Description	Part No.	Qty
1	Body	110535	1
2	Top Plate	Table III	1
3	O-ring	22085	1
4	Piston	Table III	1
5	Screw Hex Serrated Flange 5/16-18 x 3/4 GR5 ZP	SUS10023	4
6	Button Muffler 1/4-18 NPT	898501	Table III
7	Caplug 1/4 NPT	606012	1
8 (NS)	Plug Pipe 1/4-18NPT	17524	Table III
9	Spring Compression	29684-01	Table III
10 (NS)	Label	CG-100328-1	1
11 (NS)	Tag Loud Warning	34070	1
12 (NS)	Tie Nylon Cable	30916	1
13 (NS)	Operator's Manual	M3898	1

Figure 7. Martin® AP5 Series Piston Vibrator, P/N AP5-125XX-X

Table III. Martin® AP5 Series Piston Vibrator Part Numbers and Quantities

Part Number	Description	P/N Item 2	P/N Item 4	Qty Item 6	Qty Item 8	Qty Item 9
AP5-125-M	Standard	CG-100419	31004-01Z	2	0	0
AP5-125Q-M	Quiet	CG-100419	31004-01QZ	2	0	1
AP5-125S-M	Spring	CG-100419	31004-01Z	2	0	1
AP5-125SI-M	Single Impacting	CG-100419-T	31004-01Z	1	2	1

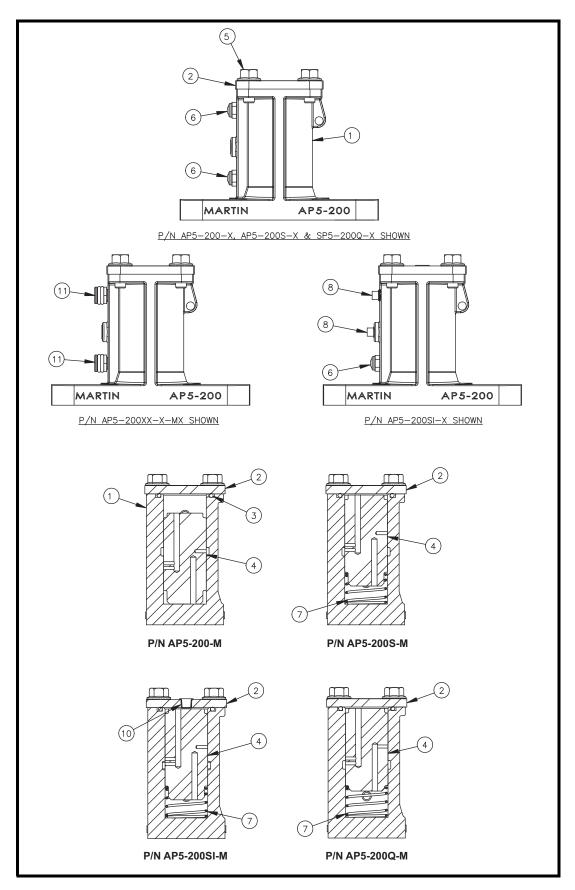


Figure 8. Martin[®] AP5 Series Piston Vibrator, P/N AP5-200XX-X

Item	Description	Part No.	Qty
1	Body	110531	1
2	Top Plate	Table IV	1
3	O-ring	897154	1
4	Piston	Table IV	1
5	Screw Hex Serrated Flange 1/2-13 x 1 ZP	CG-100457	4
6	Button Muffler 1/4-18 NPT	898501	Table IV
7	Spring Compression	897209	Table IV
8	Plug Pipe 1/4-18NPT	17524	Table IV
9 (NS)	Label	CG-100328-2	1
10	Caplug 1/4 NPT	606012	1
11	O-ring Muffler	Table IV	Table IV
12 (NS)	Operator's Manual	M3898	1
13 (NS)	Tag Loud Warning	34070	1
14 (NS)	Tie Wire Cable	30916	1

Figure 8. Martin[®] AP5 Series Piston Vibrator, P/N AP5-200XX-X

Table IV. Martin® AP5 Series Piston Vibrator Part Numbers and Quantities

Part Number	Description	P/N Item 2	P/N Item 4	Qty Item 6	Qty Item 7	Qty Item 8	Qty Item 11
AP5-200-X	Standard	CG-100398	CG-100456	2	0	0	0
AP5-200-X-MX	Standard	CG-100398	CG-100456	0	0	0	2
AP5-200Q-X	Quiet	CG-100398	CG-100456-Q	2	1	0	0
AP5-200Q-X-MX	Quiet	CG-100398	CG-100456-Q	0	1	0	2
AP5-200S-X	Spring	CG-100398	CG-100456	2	1	0	0
AP5-200S-X-MX	Spring	CG-100398	CG-100456	0	1	0	2
AP5-200SI-X	Single Impacting	CG-100398-T	CG-100456	1	1	2	0
AP5-200SI-X-MX	Single Impacting	CG-100398-T	CG-100456	0	1	2	1

Part Number	Description	P/N Item 11
AP5-200XX-X-MA	Aluminum	CG-100426-A
AP5-200XX-X-MB	Brass	CG-100426-B
AP5-200XX-XMC	304 SS	CG-100426-C

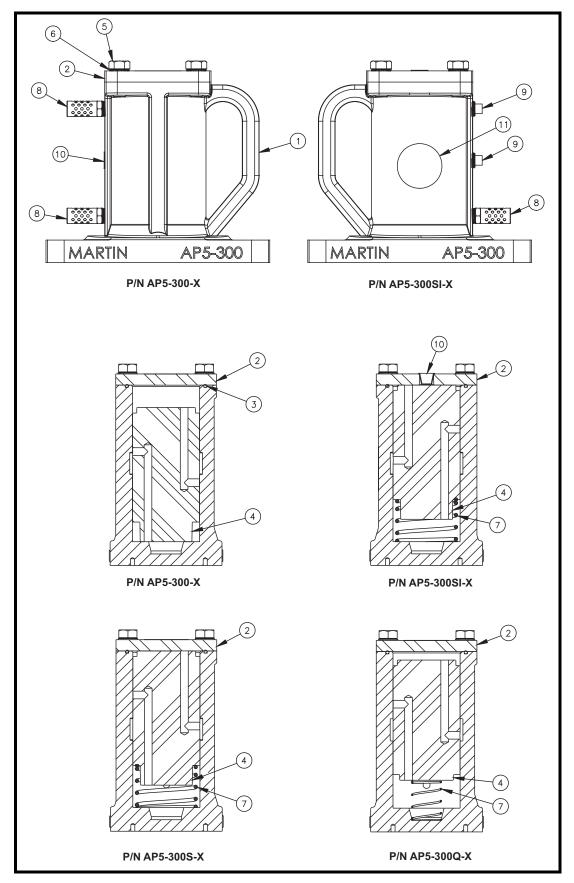


Figure 9. Martin[®] AP5 Series Piston Vibrator, P/N AP5-300XX-X

Item	Description	Part No.	Qty
1	Body	CG-100432	1
2	Top Plate	Table V	1
3	O-ring #237 N70	603012	1
4	Piston	Table V	1
5	Screw HHC 9/16-12 x 1-1/4 Gr8 ZP	CG-100435	4
6	Washer Compression D14 Serrated Schnorr	CG-100434	4
7	Spring 2.47 ID x .156 WD x 2.5 LG	Table V	Table V
8	Muffler Metal 3/8 NPT	210316	Table V
9	Plug Pipe Sq Head 3/8 NPT	17788	Table V
10	Cap Plug 3/8	606013	1
11	Label	CG-100328-2	1
12 (NS)	Operator's Manual	M3898	1
13 (NS)	Tag Loud Warning	34070	1
14 (NS)	Tie Nylon Cable	30916	1

Figure 9. Martin[®] AP5 Series Piston Vibrator, P/N AP5-300XX-X

Table V. Martin® AP5 Series Piston Vibrator Part Numbers and Quantities

Part Number	Description	P/N Item 2	P/N Item 4	P/N Item 7	Qty Item 7	Qty Item 8	Qty Item 9
AP5-300-X	Standard	CG-100433	31004-03Z		0	2	0
AP5-300Q-X	Quiet	CG-100433	31004-03QZ	29684-05	1	2	0
AP5-300S-X	Spring	CG-100433	31004-03Z	29684-03	1	2	0
AP5-300SI-X	Single Impacting	CG-100433-T	31004-03Z	29684-03	1	1	2

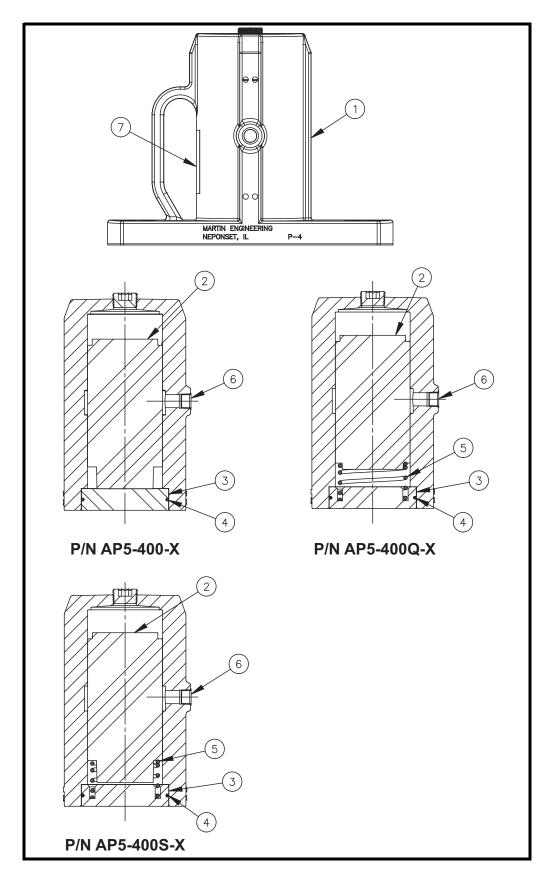


Figure 10. Martin[®] AP5 Series Piston Vibrator, P/N AP5-400-X

Item	Description	Part No.	Qty
1	Body	29490	1
2	Piston	Table VI	1
3	Strike Plate	Table VI	1
4	O-ring #245 4.359 ID x .139 CS N 70A	11859	1
5	Spring 3.31 ID x .192 WD x 4.34 LG	29684-04	Table VI
6	Caplug 1/2 NPT	606014	1
7	Label Vibrator Warning	29814	1
8 (NS)	Operator's Manual	M3898	1
9 (NS)	Label Martin Product	32238	1
10 (NS)	Tie Nylon Cable	30916	1
11 (NS)	Tag Loud Noise Warning	34070	1

Figure 10. Martin[®] AP5 Series Piston Vibrator, P/N AP5-400-X

Table VI. Martin® AP5 Series Piston Vibrator Part Numbers and Quantities

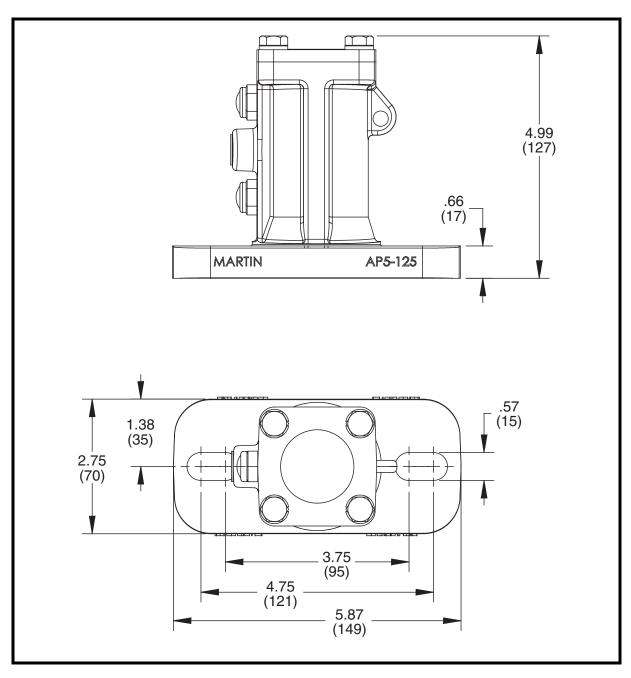
Part Number	Description	P/N Item 2	P/N Item 3	Qty Item 5
AP5-400-X	Standard	31004-04Z	29493	0
AP5-400Q-X	Quiet	31004-04QZ	29493-Q	1
AP5-400S-X	Spring	31004-04Z	29493-Q	1

Appendix A

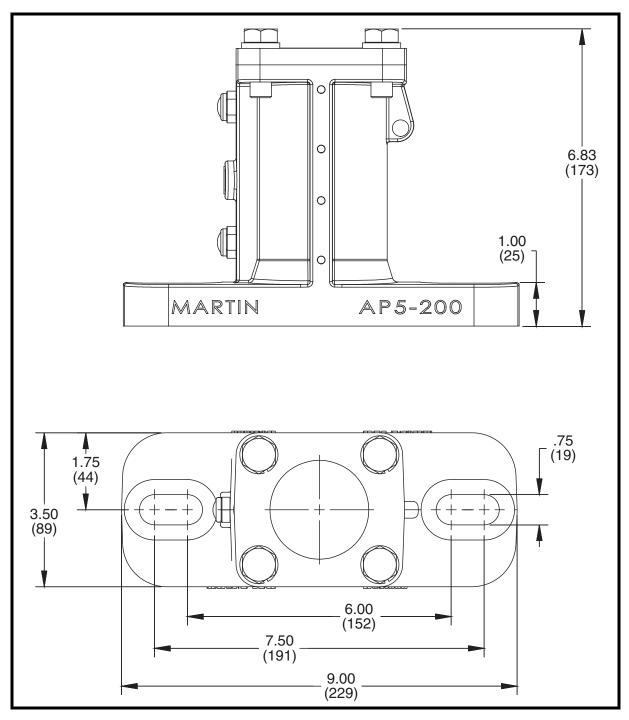
Martin® AP5 Series Piston Vibrator Specifications

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	Force	(kg)	(116)	(52)	(147)	(82)	(771)	(230)	(866)	(454)
		qı	255	114	325	180	1699	909	2200	1000
80 psi	(Des/J)		(7.08)	(7.08)	(8.50)	(9.44)	(16.52)	(18.88)	(19.82)	(19.82)
	CEM	5	15	15	18	20	32	40	42	42
	MGA		2000	3500	0098	2800	3200	2000	1900	1150
	Force	(kg)	(63)	(38)	(115)	(20)	(222)	(213)	(912)	(372)
	Fo	qI	206	84	254	155	1224	469	2010	820
60 psi	(203/1)	(1366)	(2.90)	(2.90)	(6.61)	(8.26)	(11.80)	(15.10)	(11.80)	(10.38)
	MEJ	5	12.5	12.5	14	17.5	25	32	25	22
	MOA		4500	3000	3180	2600	2800	1800	1750	1100
	Force	(kg)	(47)	(31)	(62)	(20)	(408)	(129)	(603)	(268)
	Ä	qI	104	89	175	110	668	284	1330	290
40 psi	(303/1)		(4.72)	(4.72)	(4.25)	(5.66)	(10.38)	(11.80)	(10.38)	(9.44)
	MEJ	5	10	10	6	12	22	25	22	70
	MGA		3200	2700	2640	2200	2400	1400	1500	1000
Piston Size in.		1.25	1.25	2	2	3	3	4	4	
Model		AP5-125	AP5-125Q	AP5-200	AP5-200Q	AP5-300	AP5-300Q	AP5-400	AP5-400Q	

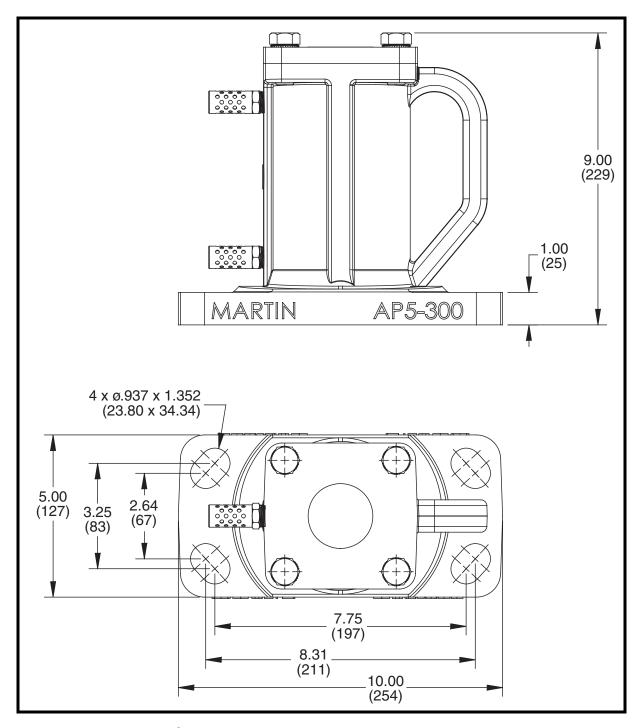
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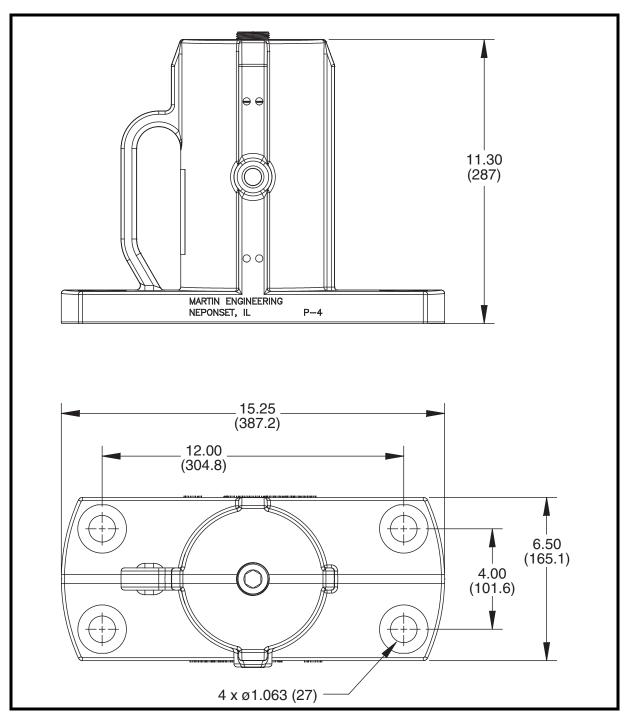
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