

# Balanced pressure thermostatic steam traps

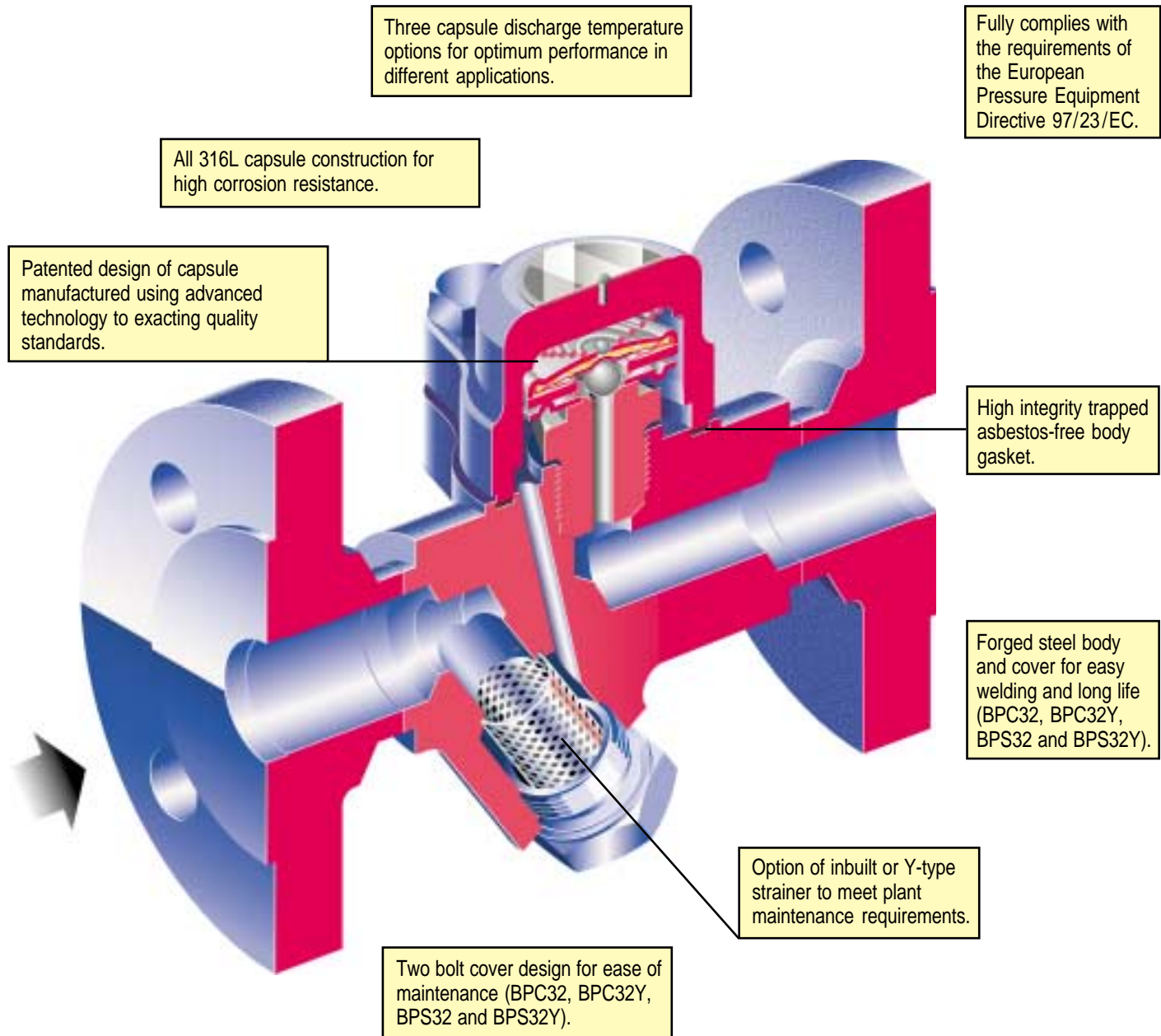
for pressures up to 32 bar



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# Balanced pressure thermostatic steam traps

Spirax Sarco has been manufacturing balanced pressure thermostatic steam traps for over 70 years. Continuous investment in product development has resulted in a design evolution which leads the world.



**BPC32Y shown**  
(Features of other models may vary)

## Why use balanced pressure thermostatic steam traps

The balanced pressure principle is now the most widely accepted for applications where thermostatic steam traps can utilise sensible heat in the condensate and reduce flash steam losses.

Unlike other types of thermostatic steam traps, they are not affected by backpressure, ensuring plant efficiency under all system operating conditions.

The modular design of the internal components provides a quick and easy solution to trap maintenance. With more than six million of the current stainless steel capsules installed and in use around the world, the versatility of the balanced pressure steam trap is well proven in a wide range of applications.

## Product range and options

Material		Brass								Carbon steel				Stainless steel					
Model		BPT								BPC				BPS				MST	
		13A	13AX	13S	13SX	13UA	13UAX	13US	13USX	32	32CV	32Y	32YCV	32	32CV	32Y	32YCV	21	21H
Body design rating		PN16	PN16	PN16	PN16	PN16	PN16	PN16	PN16	PN40	PN40	PN40	PN40	PN40	PN40	PN40	PN40	PN25	PN25
Sizes	DN8 - 1/4"																	•	
	DN15 - 1/2"	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•
	DN20 - 3/4"	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•
	DN25 - 1"									•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•
Connections	Screwed	•	•	•	•					•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•
	Scrd union inlet					•	•	•	•										
	Socket weld									•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•		
	Butt weld									•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•		
Strainer	Flanged									•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•		
	Flat type		•		•		•		•	•	•			•	•			•	•
	Cylindrical type											•	•			•	•		
Capsule fill*	STD									•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•		
	E	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•									•	•
Internal check valve											•		•		•		•		
Discharge capacity		High	High	High	High	High	High	High	High	High	High	High	High	High	High	High	High	Low	High
Optional	SUB									•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•		
	NTS									•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•		
	F	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•									•	•
	G	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•									•	•
	Blowdown valve											•	•			•	•		
Chrome plated finish		•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•										

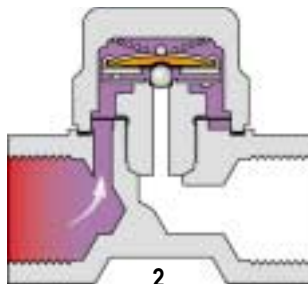
\*Note, Capsule fill and operation - When placing an order always state capsule fill:

**Standard capsule** - Is marked with 'STD' or 'E' for operation at approximately 12°C below steam saturation temperature.

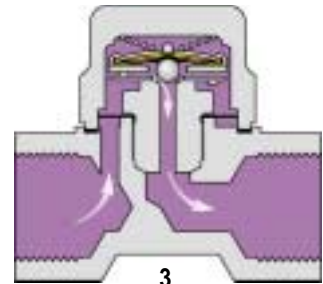
**Optionally** - The capsule can be supplied for sub-cooled 'SUB' or 'F' operation at approximately 24°C below steam saturation temperature. For critical applications the 'NTS' or 'G' fill capsule should be selected which operates at approximately 4°C below steam saturation temperature.



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### How the balanced pressure thermostatic steam trap works

At the heart of the balanced pressure thermostatic steam trap is a stainless steel capsule - filled with deionised water and alcohol. For further details see the note under Product range and options.

On start-up, cold air and condensate enter the trap. As the capsule is also cold, the valve is open and the air and condensate are discharged (1). The capsule warms up as the condensate approaches steam temperature. Its liquid filling boils, and the resultant vapour pressure acting on the diaphragms pushes the valve head towards the seat (2), fully closing at the selected discharge temperature before any steam is lost.

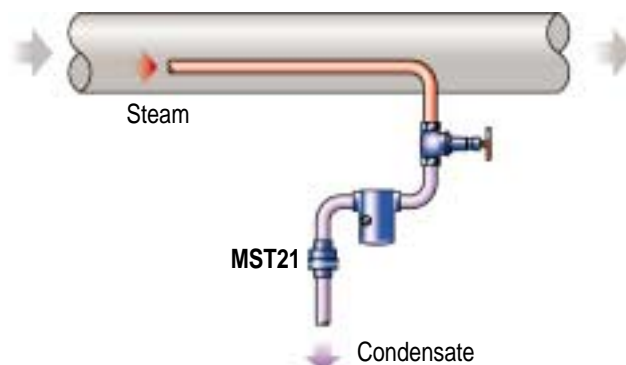
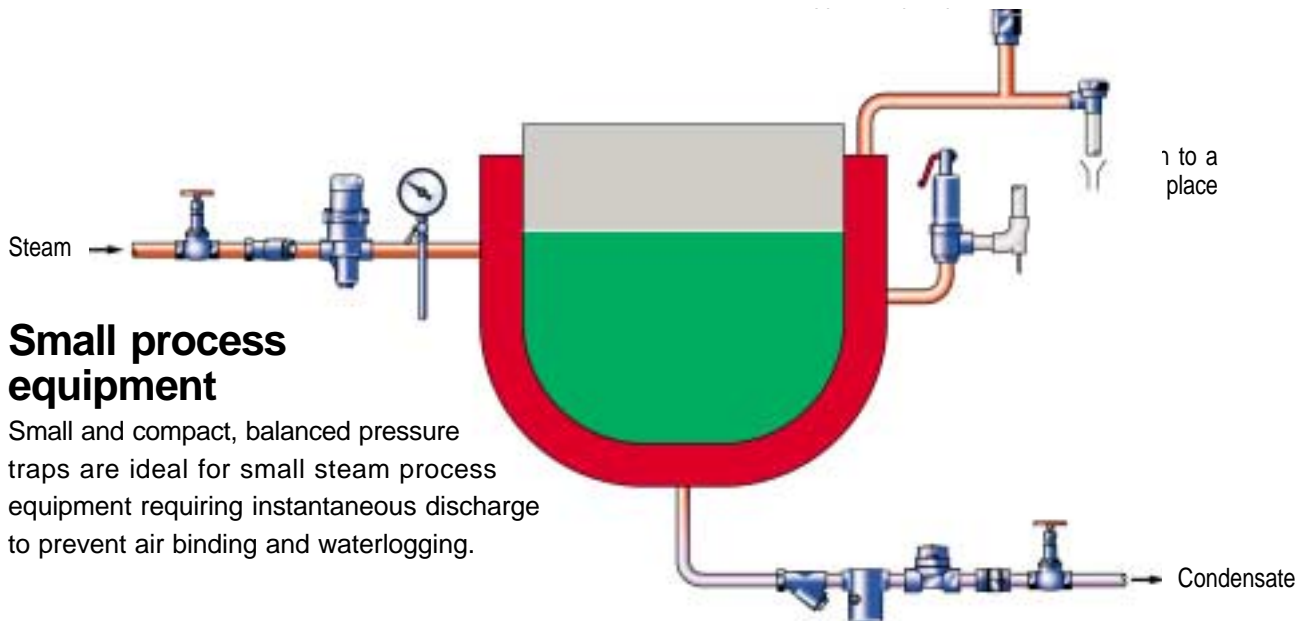
As the condensate within the trap cools, the vapour filling condenses and the internal capsule pressure falls. The valve reopens, discharges condensate and the cycle repeats (3).

### User benefits

- Ease of maintenance with a two bolt cover design.
- All stainless steel internals extend working life and reduce plant maintenance.
- Compact design reduces installation space requirements compared to other types of steam traps.
- High resistance to superheat and waterhammer ensures long working life and reduces maintenance.
- Discharge temperature set by capsule selection - no requirement to adjust on-site.
- Automatically discharges air and incondensable gases to aid rapid warm-up of plant.
- Fully complies with the requirements of the European Pressure Equipment Directive 97/23/EC.
- Unaffected by backpressure which can lead to plant waterlogging which happens with some other types of thermostatic steam traps.



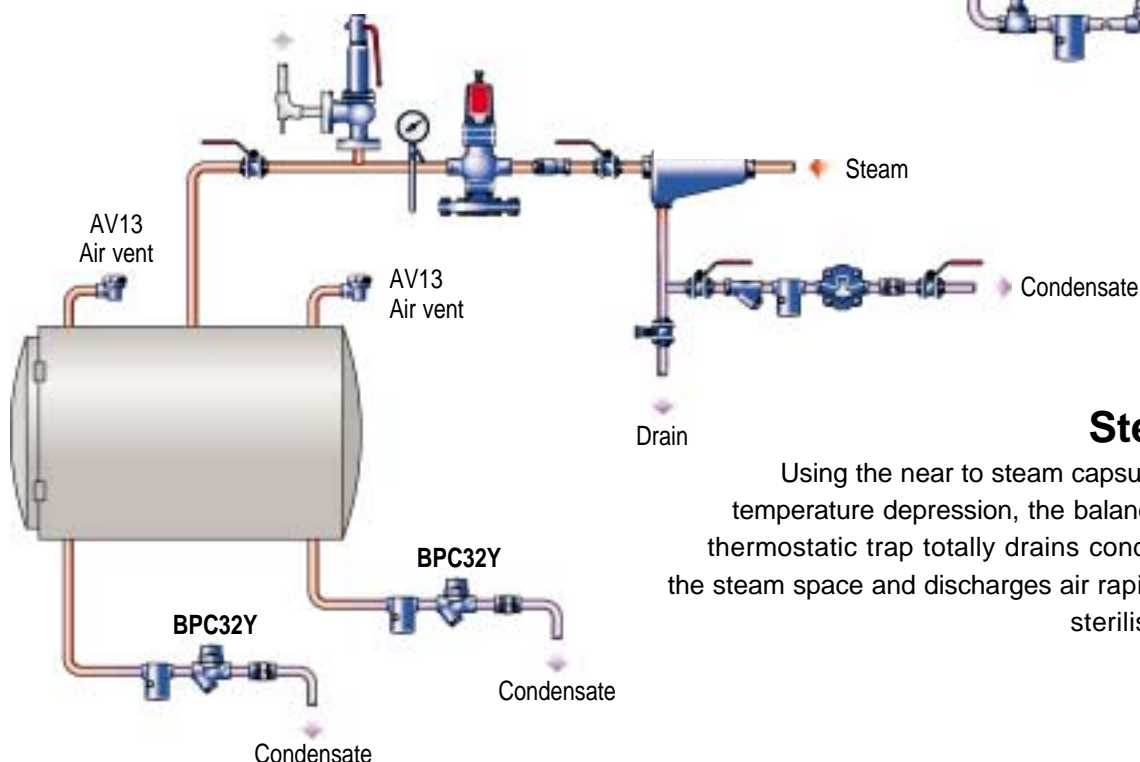
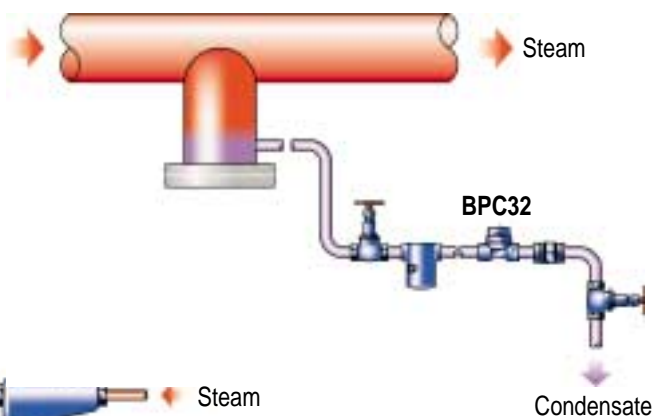
# Typical applications



Using the sub-cooled capsule option, the balanced pressure thermostatic trap is highly efficient, making use of some of the sensible heat within the hot condensate.

## Steam mains drainage

Robust and durable the balanced pressure trap is an ideal second choice to the thermodynamic trap for low pressure steam mains drainage.



## Sterilizers

Using the near to steam capsule with a 5°C temperature depression, the balanced pressure thermostatic trap totally drains condensate from the steam space and discharges air rapidly reducing sterilisation times.

BPT13A  
BPT13AX  
BPT13S  
BPT13SX



BPT13A shown

## Sizes and pipe connections

1/2" and 3/4" screwed BSP or NPT.

**BPT13A** - Angled connections.

**BPT13AX** - Angled connections with strainer screen.

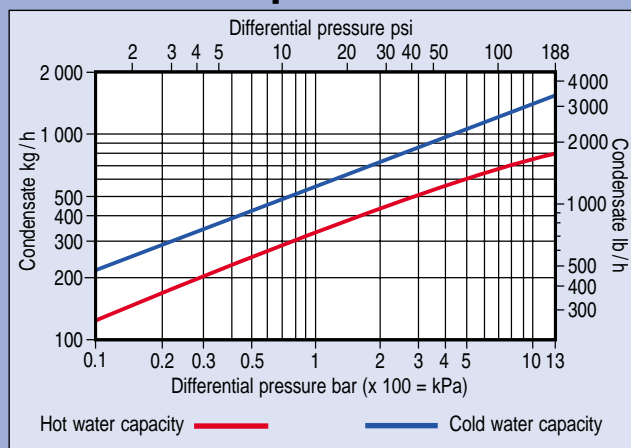
**BPT13S** - Straight connections.

**BPT13SX** - Straight connections with strainer screen.

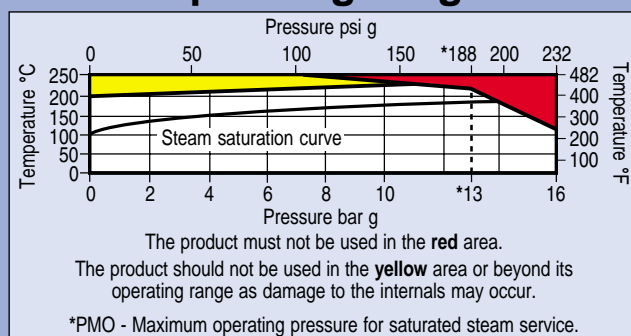
## Materials

Body	Brass	BS EN 12165 CW 617N
Cap	Brass	BS EN 12165 CW 617N
'O' Ring	Synthetic rubber high fluorine fluorocarbon	
Internals	Stainless steel	

## Capacities



## Operating range



## Limiting conditions (ISO 6552)

Body design conditions PN16

PMA - Maximum allowable pressure 16 bar g

TMA - Maximum allowable temperature 250°C

Designed for a maximum cold hydraulic test pressure of:  
24 bar g

BPT13UA  
BPT13UAX  
BPT13US  
BPT13USX



BPT13UA shown (chrome plated)

## Sizes and pipe connections

1/2" and 3/4" screwed BSP or NPT.

**BPT13UA** - Angled connections, union inlet.

**BPT13UAX** - Angled connections, union inlet with strainer screen.

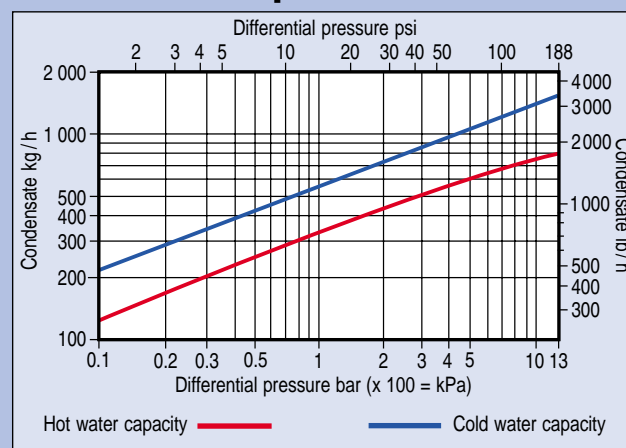
**BPT13US** - Straight connections, union inlet.

**BPT13USX** - Straight connections, union inlet with strainer screen.

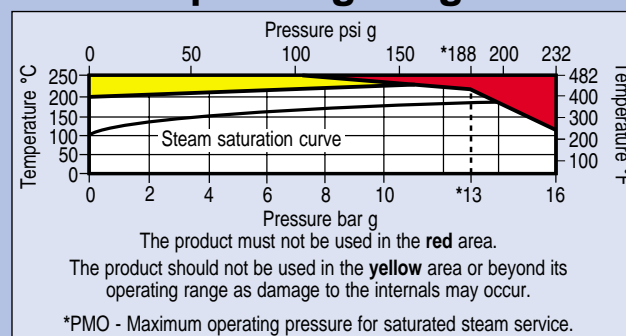
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**BPC32**  
**BPC32CV**  
**BPC32Y**  
**BPC32YCV**



BPC32Y shown

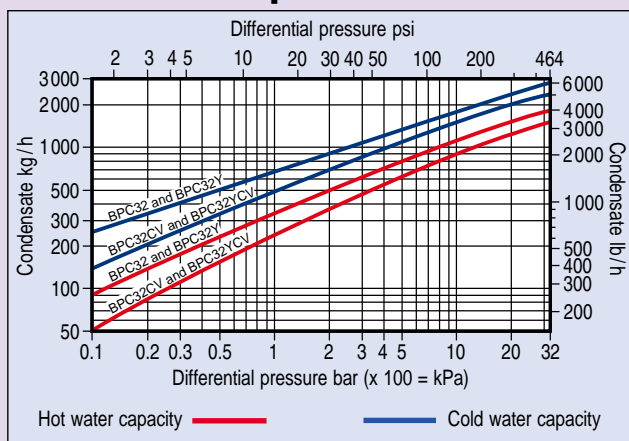
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½", ¾" and 1" screwed BSP or NPT,  
socket weld ends to BS 3799 Class 3000,  
butt weld ends to EN 12627.  
DN15, DN20 and DN25 standard flange to EN 1092-1 PN40,  
ANSI B 16.5 Class 150 and 300, JIS/KS 10K and JIS/KS 20K.

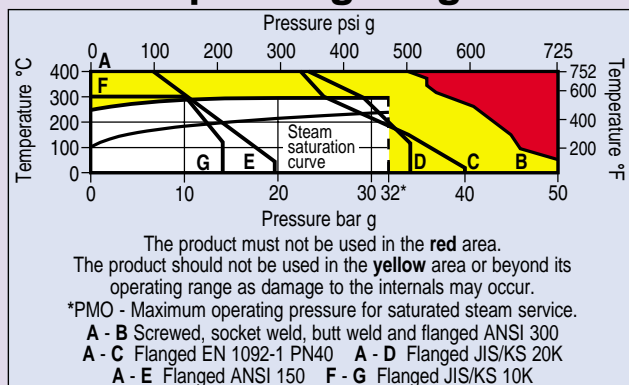
## Materials

Body	Carbon steel	DIN 17243 C22-8 (W/S 1.0460) ASTM A105N
Cover	Carbon steel	DIN 17243 C22-8 (W/S 1.0460) ASTM A105N
Cover gasket	Stainless steel reinforced exfoliated graphite	
Internals	Stainless steel	
Cover bolts	Stainless steel (M10 x 30)	A2-70
Strainer cap (BPC32Y only)	Carbon steel	DIN 17243 C22-8 (W/S 1.0460) ASTM A105N

## Capacities



## Operating range



## Limiting conditions (ISO 6552)

Body design conditions PN40  
PMA - Maximum allowable pressure 50 bar g  
TMA - Maximum allowable temperature 400°C  
Designed for a maximum cold hydraulic test pressure of:  
75 bar g

**BPS32**  
**BPS32CV**  
**BPS32Y**  
**BPS32YCV**



BPS32 shown

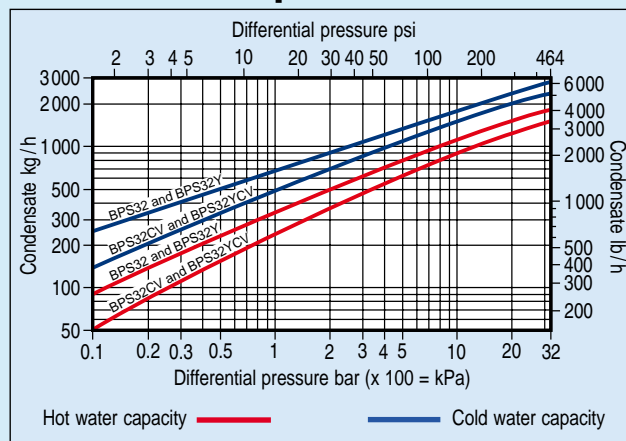
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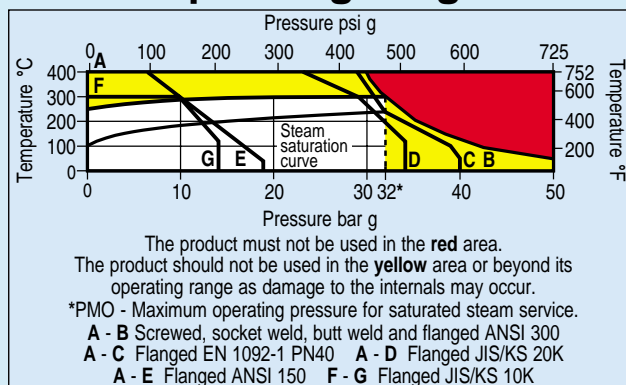
## Materials

Body	Austenitic stainless steel	DIN 17440 (W/S 1.4571) 316 Ti
Cover	Austenitic stainless steel	DIN 17440 (W/S 1.4571) 316 Ti
Cover gasket	Stainless steel reinforced exfoliated graphite	
Internals	Stainless steel	
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## Capacities



## Operating range



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Body design conditions PN40  
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Designed for a maximum cold hydraulic test pressure of:  
75 bar g

## MST21 MST21H



### Sizes and pipe connections

#### MS21

1/4" and 1/2" screwed BSP, DIN/ISO 228-1 and NPT.

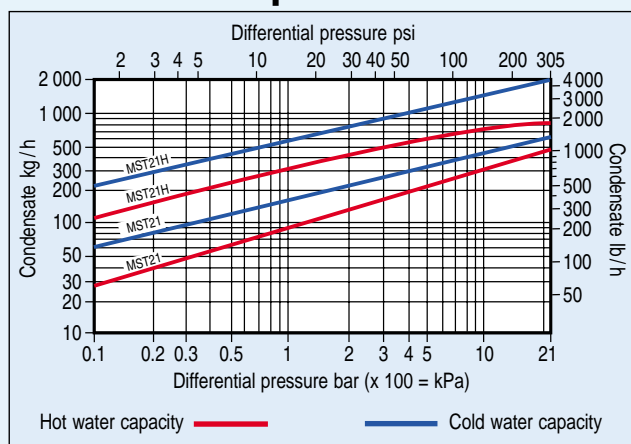
#### MS21H

1/2", 3/4" and 1" screwed BSP, DIN/ISO 228-1 and NPT.

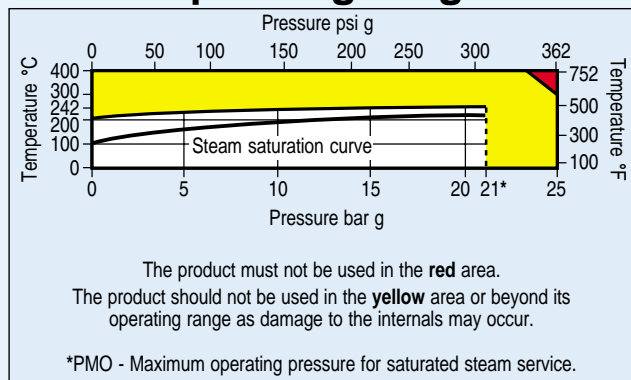
### Materials

Body	Stainless steel	ASTM A743 CF16F/ DIN 17440
Cap	Stainless steel	420A UGIMA AISI 420
Gasket	Stainless steel	BS 1449 304515
Internals	Stainless steel	

### Capacities



### Operating range



### Limiting conditions (ISO 6552)

Body design conditions PN25  
PMA - Maximum allowable pressure 25 bar g  
TMA - Maximum allowable temperature 400°C  
Designed for a maximum cold hydraulic test pressure of:  
38 bar g

## Additional product options

The BPC32 and BPS32 are also available with Spiratrec sensors fitted to detect steam leakage and/or system waterlogging. For further details of the Spiratrec steam trap monitoring system consult Spirax Sarco.

## UBP32



Sealed balanced pressure steam trap complete with swivel pipeline connector to allow either horizontal or vertical installation. Unique two bolt fixing provides easy trap replacement without the need to dismantle pipework.

For further information see Sales Brochure SB-F01-36.

## SBP30



Sealed balanced pressure steam trap manufactured in stainless steel. Ideal for applications where maintenance schedules require non-maintainable steam traps.

For further information see Sales Brochure SB-F01-21.

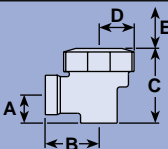
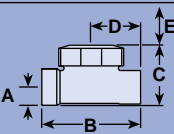
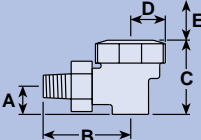
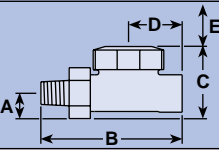
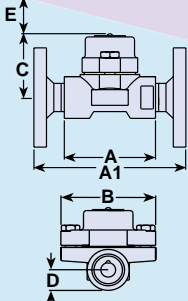
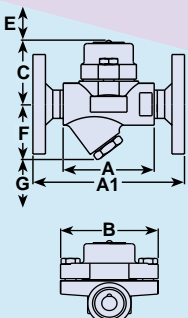
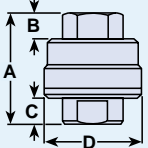
## TSS21



Sealed balanced pressure steam trap manufactured in stainless steel. Designed as both a conventional steam tracing trap and, when fitted in reverse mode, as a fixed discharge temperature steam trap.

For further information see Sales Brochure SB-F01-21.

## Dimensions/weight (approximate) in mm and kg

Product	Size	Dimensions										Weight	
		A	A1	B	C	D	E	F	G	Screwed SW/BW	flanged		
	BPT13A	DN15	½"	20	-	38	53	25	55	-	-	0.40	-
	BPT13AX	DN20	¾"	27	-	40	62	25	55	-	-	0.45	-
	BPT13S	DN15	½"	14	-	76	47	38	55	-	-	0.45	-
	BPT13SX	DN20	¾"	20	-	80	53	40	55	-	-	0.50	-
	BT13UA	DN15	½"	20	-	67	53	25	55	-	-	0.50	-
	BPT13UAX	DN20	¾"	27	-	75	62	25	55	-	-	0.55	-
	BPT13US	DN15	½"	19	-	105	52	38	55	-	-	0.55	-
	BPT13USX	DN20	¾"	22	-	115	57	40	55	-	-	0.60	-
	BPC32	DN15	½"	95	150	94	64	17	37	-	-	1.40	2.9
	BPC32CV	DN20	¾"	95	150	94	64	19	37	-	-	1.40	3.5
	BPS32	DN25	1"	95	160	94	64	23	37	-	-	1.50	4.1
	BPS32CV	DN25	1"	95	160	94	64	23	37	-	-	1.50	4.1
	BPC32Y	DN15	½"	95	150	94	64	-	37	53	28	1.60	3.1
	BPC32YCV	DN20	¾"	95	150	94	64	-	37	54	28	1.60	3.7
	BPS32Y	DN25	1"	95	160	94	64	-	37	56	28	1.80	4.4
	BPS32YCV	DN25	1"	95	160	94	64	-	37	56	28	1.80	4.4
	MST21	DN8	¼"	50.5	-	8.5	10	45	-	-	-	0.34	-
		DN15	½"	61	-	12.5	14	45	-	-	-	0.48	-
	MST21H	DN15	½"	61	-	12.5	14	45	-	-	-	0.48	-
		DN20	¾"	68	-	14.0	14	45	-	-	-	0.48	-
		DN25	1"	75	-	14.0	14	45	-	-	-	0.48	-

## How to order

**Example:** 1 off Spirax Sarco DN15 BPC32 carbon steel bodied maintainable balanced pressure thermostatic steam trap having flanged EN 1092-1 PN40 connections and fitted with an 'STD' fill capsule for operation at approximately 12°C below steam saturation temperature.

Some of the products may not be available in certain markets.

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