# Breathers: Standards

Basic protection from moisture and particulate contamination in lubricant and equipment



# **Applications:**

- Totes
- **Transformers**

- Storage Tanks
- Hydraulics



**ESCO PRODUCTS, INC.** 

# The **Overview**

# Standard Breathers:

# Typical Industries

- Power Generation
- Mining
- Aviation
- Storage
- Manufacturing
- Petrochemical

### How It Works:

This breather unit replaces the standard dust cap or OEM breather cap on equipment. As air is drawn into equipment through the breather, the layered filter elements remove particulate while the desiccant beads strip harmful moisture.

While in service or during shut-down, the desiccant beads attract moisture from inside the equipment reservoir, actively drying the equipment.

# By the Numbers:

#### 1-Integrated Nylon Standpipe

The integrated standpipe provides excellent vibration resistance and dissipates impact throughout the unit, eliminating weak points. It also allows even airflow distribution throughout the unit, eliminating inaccurate readings of desiccant saturation.

#### 2-Resilient Polycarbonate Body

Shock-absorbing, clear casing provides reliable service and easy maintenance.

#### 3-Filter Element

Polyester filter element removes airborne contamination to 3-micron absolute. Unique loops allow particles to release during system exhalation, helping to increase breather life.

#### 4-Foam Pad

Foam filter captures any oil mist and disperses incoming air evenly over filtration and drying areas.

#### 5-Water Vapor Adsorbent

Silica gel adsorbs water from incoming air and can hold up to 40% of its weight. Condition is indicated by change of color from blue to light pink.

#### 6- Secondary Filter Element

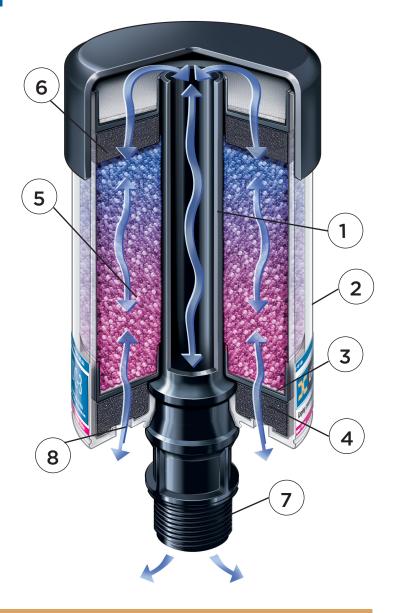
Second polyester filter element protects against migration of desiccant dust, providing maximum efficiency.

#### 7-Threaded Mounting

Easily replaces standard filler/breather cap with multi-fit connection or one of several adapters.

#### 8-Air Vents

Individual air intakes are opened based on flow requirements of the system. Plugs protect unit during shipping and storage.



# Charts & Graphs

### Materials & Components:

Filter Housing: Polycarbonate, nylon, polypropylene,

PVC, Buna-N

Filter Media: Polyurethane, polyester

Hydrophilic Media: Silica gel

## Filter Efficiency:

 $(3\mu \text{ absolute } (\beta_z \ge 200)$ 

### **Recommended Temperature Range:**

-20°F to 200°F -29°C to 93°C

## **Chemical Compatibility:**

Recommended:

All Gear Oil Most Hydraulic Fluid Mineral & Synthetic Oil

#### Not Recommended:

Phosphate Ester Hydrogen Sulfide Sulfuric Acid Highly Alkaline Cleaners

# **Humidity Protection:**

A Des-Case standard breather is five times more effective than leading non-desiccant breather.

#### **Humidity Level Below Ambient Conditions:**

DC-4: protects 30,000+ cycles Deliquescent: protects 5,000 cycles (Testing parameters 73°F, 1cfm)\* \*See test results on page 4.

### Sizing Recommendations:

Model	Max. Airflow at 1psid	Recommended Max. Volume	
		Gearbox/ Storage Tank	Hydraulic Reservoir
DC-BB	4.55cfm/129lpm	15gal/57L	2gal/8L
DC-1	4.16cfm/118lpm	35gal/132L	5gal/19L
DC-2	16cfm/453lpm	200gal/757L	60gal/227L
DC-3	16cfm/453lpm	350gal/1325L	100gal/379L
DC-4	16cfm/453lpm	500gal/1893L	200gal/757L

## Water Adsorption Capacity:

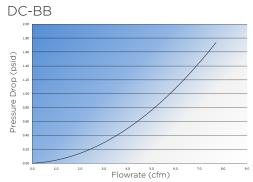
Size	Maximum Water Retention
DC-BB	23ml / 0.8fl. oz.
DC-1	50ml / 4fl. oz
DC-2	118ml / 4fl. oz
DC-3	220ml / 7.45fl. oz.
DC-4	353ml / 11.3 fl. oz

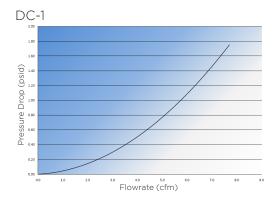
#### **Dimensions & Connections:**

Model	Connection	Unit Height	Unit Width
DC-BB	3/8" Multi-Fit	3.90in	2.5in
	(NPT, BSPP, BSPT)	9.9cm	6.4cm
DC-1	3/8" Multi-Fit	5.351in	2.5in
	(NPT, BSPP, BSPT)	13.5cm	6.4cm
DC-2	1" Multi-Fit	6in	4in
	(NPT, BSPP, NPSM)	15.6cm	10.2cm
DC-3	1" Multi-Fit	8in	4in
	(NPT, BSPP, NPSM)	20.6cm	10.2cm
DC-4	1" Multi-Fit	10in	4in
	(NPT, BSPP, NPSM)	25.7cm	10.2cm

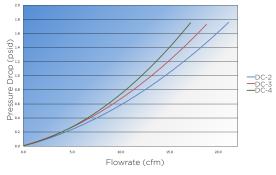
# Additional Specs.

#### Airflow:

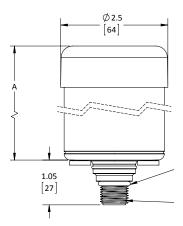




#### DC-2, DC-3, DC-4



### Miniatures:



Ø 4.10 [104]	-		
		ļ	A
	1.	86 7]	

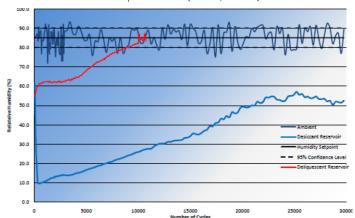
Standard Sizes:

Breathers	А
DC-BB	2.824
DC-1	4.307

Breathers	А	
DC-2	4.13	
DC-3	6.13	
DC-4	Q 17	

# **Humidity Protection:**

Desiccant vs. Deliquescent (73°F, 1cfm)



A Des-Case standard breather is five times more effective than leading non-desiccant breather.

#### **Humidity Level Below Ambient Conditions:**

DC-4: protects 30,000+ cycles Deliquescent: protects 5,000 cycles (Testing parameters 73°F, 1cfm)

Esco Products, Inc. 5325 Glenmont Dr., Ste D Houston, TX 77081 800.966.5514 info@esco-inc.com www.esco-inc.com

# **Keeping Contamination Under Control®**

© 2014 Des-Case Corporation. All rights reserved.

® Des-Case and the tagline "Keeping Contamination Under Control" are registered trademarks of Des-Case Corporation.

