



G-Force

by: TASK FORCE TIPS

MANUAL: G-Force Nozzle

Fixed, Selectable, and Automatic

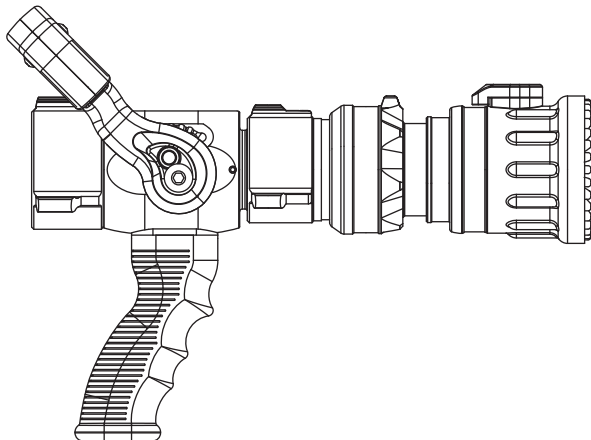
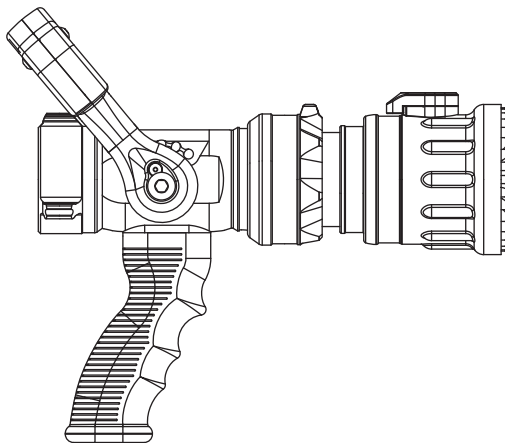
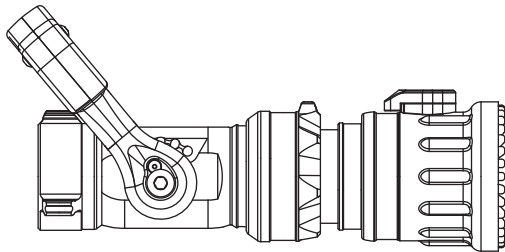
INSTRUCTIONS FOR SAFE OPERATION AND MAINTENANCE

WARNING

Understand manual before use. Operation of this device without understanding the manual and receiving proper training is a misuse of this equipment. Obtain safety information at www.tft.com/serial-number

This Instruction Manual is intended to familiarize firefighters and maintenance personnel with the operation, servicing, and safety procedures associated with the G-Force nozzle.

This manual should be kept available to all operating and maintenance personnel.



DANGER

PERSONAL RESPONSIBILITY CODE

The member companies of FEMSA that provide emergency response equipment and services want responders to know and understand the following:

1. Firefighting and Emergency Response are inherently dangerous activities requiring proper training in their hazards and the use of extreme caution at all times.
2. It is your responsibility to read and understand any user's instructions, including purpose and limitations, provided with any piece of equipment you may be called upon to use.
3. It is your responsibility to know that you have been properly trained in Firefighting and /or Emergency Response and in the use, precautions, and care of any equipment you may be called upon to use.
4. It is your responsibility to be in proper physical condition and to maintain the personal skill level required to operate any equipment you may be called upon to use.
5. It is your responsibility to know that your equipment is in operable condition and has been maintained in accordance with the manufacturer's instructions.
6. Failure to follow these guidelines may result in death, burns or other severe injury.



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1.0 MEANING OF SAFETY SIGNAL WORDS

A safety related message is identified by a safety alert symbol and a signal word to indicate the level of risk involved with a particular hazard. Per ANSI standard Z535.6-2011, the definitions of the four signal words are as follows:



DANGER indicates a hazardous situation which, if not avoided, will result in death or serious injury.



WARNING indicates a hazardous situation which, if not avoided, could result in death or serious injury.



CAUTION indicates a potentially hazardous situation which, if not avoided, could result in minor or moderate injury.



NOTICE is used to address practices not related to personal injury.

SAFETY INSTRUCTIONS (or equivalent) signs indicate specific safety-related instructions of procedures.

2.0 SAFETY



An inadequate supply of nozzle pressure and/or flow will cause an ineffective stream and can result in injury, death, or loss of property. See flow graphs or call 800-348-2686 for assistance.



The nozzle may be damaged if frozen while containing significant amounts of water. Such damage may be difficult to detect visually and can lead to possible injury or death. Any time the nozzle is subject to possible damage due to freezing, it must be tested by qualified personnel before being considered safe for use.



This equipment is intended for use by trained personnel for firefighting. Their use for other purposes may involve hazards not addressed by this manual. Seek appropriate guidance and training to reduce risk of injury.



Failure to restrain nozzle reaction can cause firefighter injury from loss of footing and/or stream protection. Nozzle reaction will vary as supply conditions change: such as opening or closing other nozzles, hose line kinks, changes in pump settings, etc. Changes in spray pattern or flushing will also affect nozzle reaction. The nozzle operator must always be prepared in the event of these changes.



If nozzle gets out of control or away from operator, retreat from nozzle immediately. Do not attempt to regain control of nozzle while flowing water. Injury from whipping can occur.

⚠ WARNING

Water is a conductor of electricity. Application of water on high voltage equipment can cause injury or death by electrocution. The amount of current that may be carried back to the nozzle will depend on the following factors:

- Voltage of the line or equipment
- Distance from the nozzle to the line or equipment
- Size of the stream
- Whether the stream is solid or broken
- Purity of the water¹

¹ The Fire Fighter and Electrical Equipment, The University of Michigan Extension Service, Fourth Printing 1983. Page 47

⚠ CAUTION

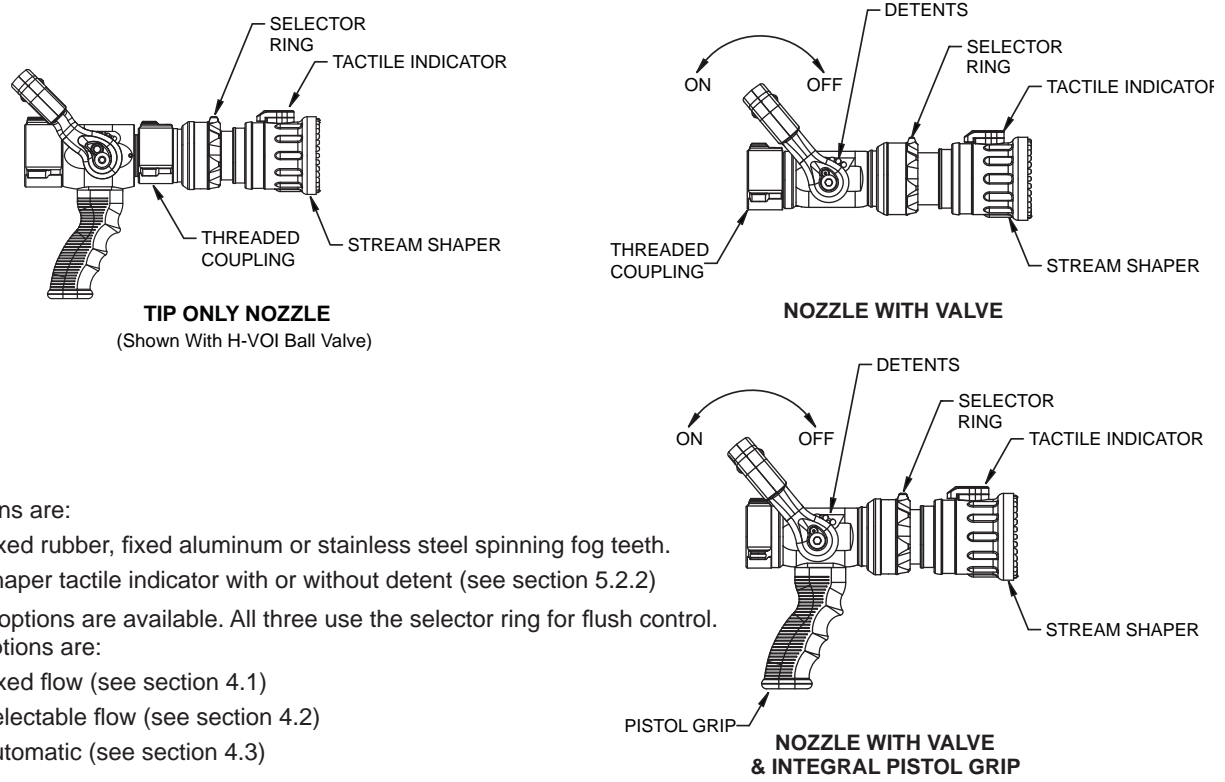
Fire streams are capable of injury and damage. Do not direct water stream to cause injury or damage to persons or property.

3.0 GENERAL INFORMATION

The Task Force Tips G-Force nozzles are designed to provide excellent performance under most fire fighting conditions. Their rugged construction is compatible with the use of fresh water (see section 3.4 for saltwater use) as well as fire fighting foam solutions.

3.1 VARIOUS MODELS AND TERMS

The G-Force nozzle is available in several different models and inlet connections. Basic body styles are shown in figure 2.1A



Other options are:

- Fixed rubber, fixed aluminum or stainless steel spinning fog teeth.
- Shaper tactile indicator with or without detent (see section 5.2.2)

Three flow options are available. All three use the selector ring for flush control. The flow options are:

- Fixed flow (see section 4.1)
- Selectable flow (see section 4.2)
- Automatic (see section 4.3)

3.2 SPECIFICATIONS

3.2.1 MECHANICAL

Maximum operating pressure (with valve shut off)	370 psi	25.5 bar
Operating temperature range of fluid	33 to 120° F	1 to 50° C
Storage temperature range	-40 to 150° F	-40 to 65° C
Materials used	Aluminum 6000 series hard anodized MIL8625 class 3 type 2, stainless steel 300 series, nylon 6-6, nitrile rubber	

3.3 NOZZLE COUPLINGS

Many inlet couplings such as NH (National Hose) or NPSH (National Pipe Straight Hose) can be specified at time of order.



Nozzle must be mated to a hose line with matched threads. Mismatched or damaged threads may cause nozzle to leak or uncouple under pressure and could cause injury.



Dissimilar metals coupled together can cause galvanic corrosion that can result in the inability to unscrew the threads or complete loss of thread engagement over time. Per NFPA 1962, if dissimilar metals are left coupled together an anti-corrosive lubricant should be applied to the threads. Also the coupling should be disconnected and inspected at least quarterly.

3.4 USE WITH SALTWATER

Use with saltwater is permissible provided nozzle is thoroughly cleaned with fresh water after each use. The service life of the nozzle may be shortened due to the effects of corrosion and is not covered under warranty.

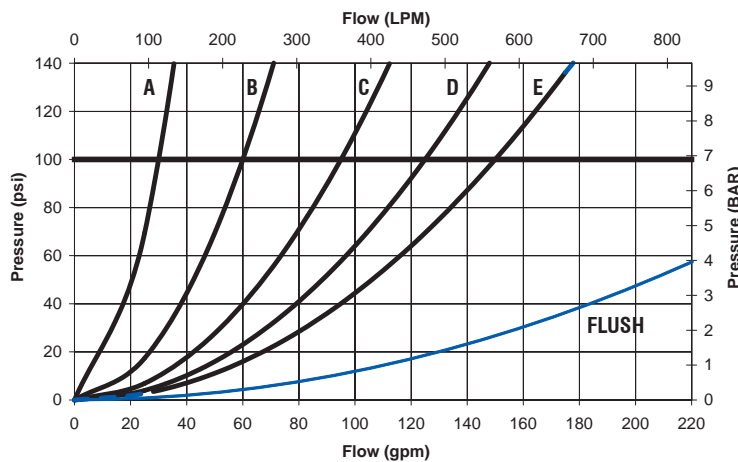
4.0 FLOW CHARACTERISTICS

4.1 FIXED FLOW

A fixed flow G-Force nozzle has one fixed discharge orifice and a flush setting. A fixed flow G-Force is flush able with the selector ring. Figure 4.2 shows flow and pressure graphs for the G-Force Fixed nozzles.

4.2 SELECTABLE FLOW

A selectable G-Force nozzle has several fixed discharge orifices and a flush setting. A particular orifice is selected by rotating the selector ring. Figure 4.2 shows flow and pressure graphs for the G-Force Selectable nozzles.



FIXED GALLONAGE

570 l/min @ 700 kPa (7 bar)



150 GPM @ 100 PSI

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SELECTABLE GALLONAGE



30



60



95



125



150

GPM @ 100 PSI

A

B

C

D

E

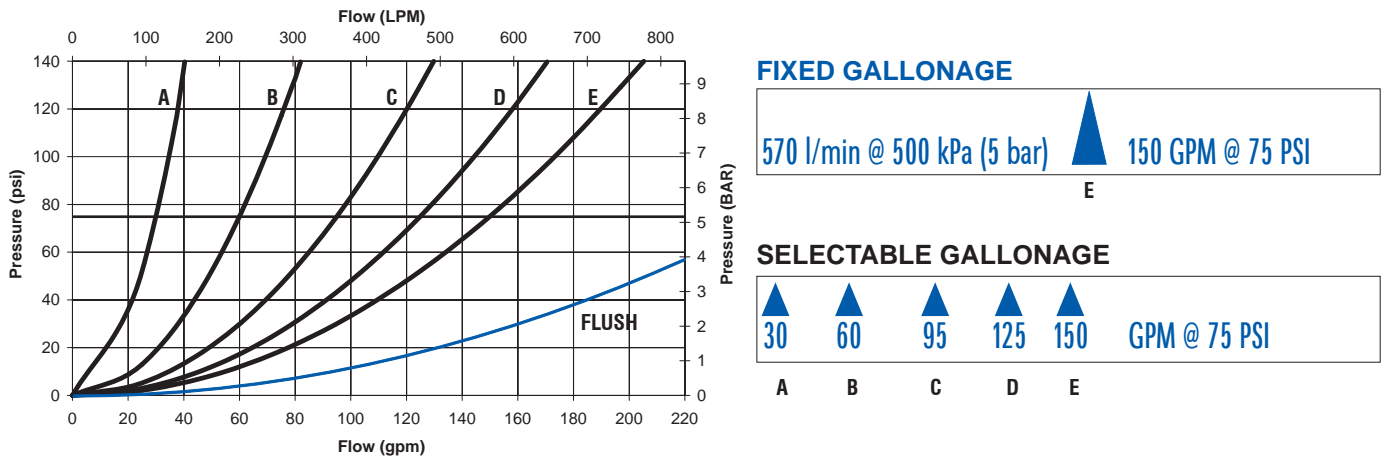


Fig 4.2 - G-Force Fixed and Selectable

4.3 AUTOMATIC

The G-Force is available with automatic pressure control and flush setting. Flow range and performance is shown in figure 4.3A.

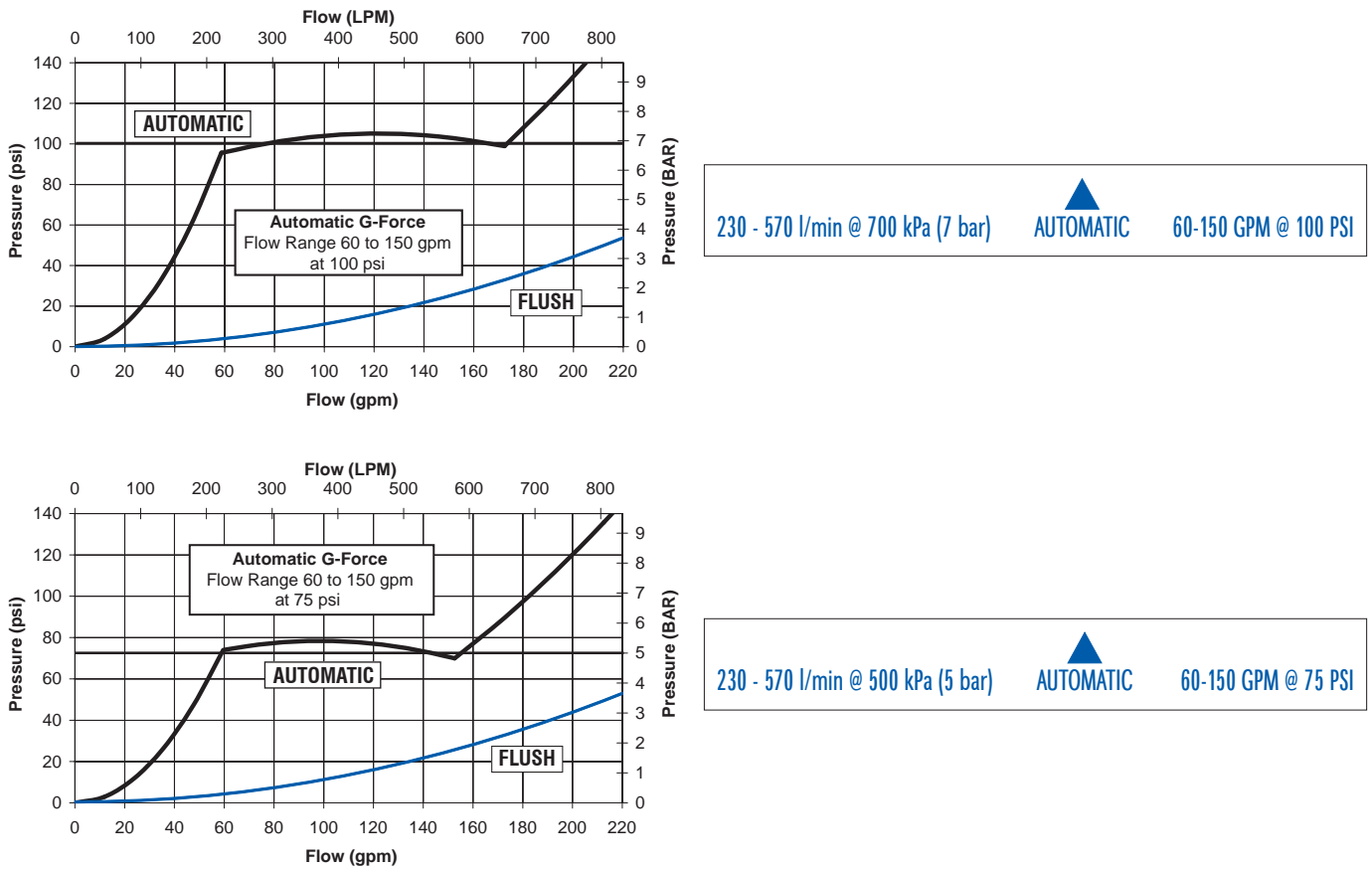
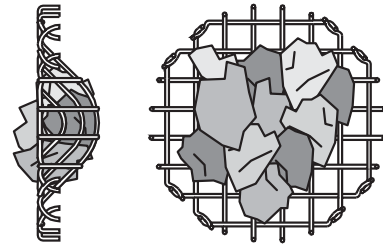


Figure 4.3A G-Force Automatics

4.4 FLUSH CONTROL

Small debris passes through the debris screen (if equipped) and may get caught inside the nozzle. This trapped material will cause poor stream quality, shortened reach, and reduced flow. To remove small debris, the nozzle may be flushed as follows:

- While still flowing water, rotate the shaper counterclockwise (as viewed from behind the nozzle) to the flush position. (increased resistance will be felt on the SHAPER or RING as the nozzle goes into flush) This will open the nozzle allowing debris to pass through.
- During flush the nozzle reaction will decrease as the pattern becomes wider and the pressure drops. The nozzle operator must be prepared for an increase of nozzle reaction when returning the nozzle from the flush position to retain control of the nozzle.
- Rotate the selector ring out of flush to continue normal operations.



Large amounts or pieces of debris may be unflushable and can reduce the flow of the nozzle resulting in an ineffective flow. In the event of a blockage, it may be necessary to retreat to a safe area, uncouple the nozzle and remove debris.

5.0 NOZZLE CONTROLS

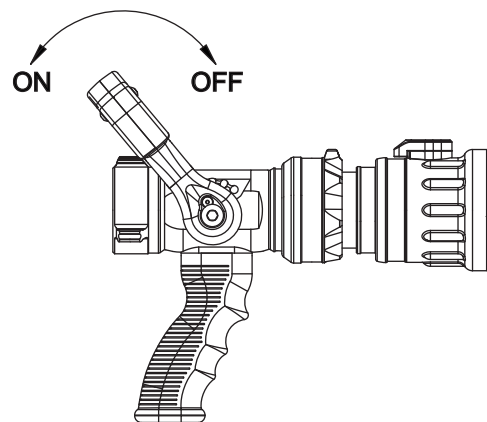
Nozzle control valves must be opened slowly to eliminate unnecessary strain on the hose and couplings and reduce pressure surges.

Nozzles attached to an in-service hose shall be stored in the off position.

5.1 FLOW CONTROL

5.1.1 LEVER TYPE FLOW CONTROL

On models that use a lever type valve handle, the nozzle is shut off when the handle is fully forward. The valve handle has 5 detented flow positions. These detent positions allow the nozzle operator to regulate the flow of the nozzle depending on the need or what can be safely and effectively handled. TFT recommends the use of a pistol grip for easier handling. For additional stress reduction, a hose rope or strap may also be used. This permits more effective use and ease of advancement, while minimizing strain and fatigue.

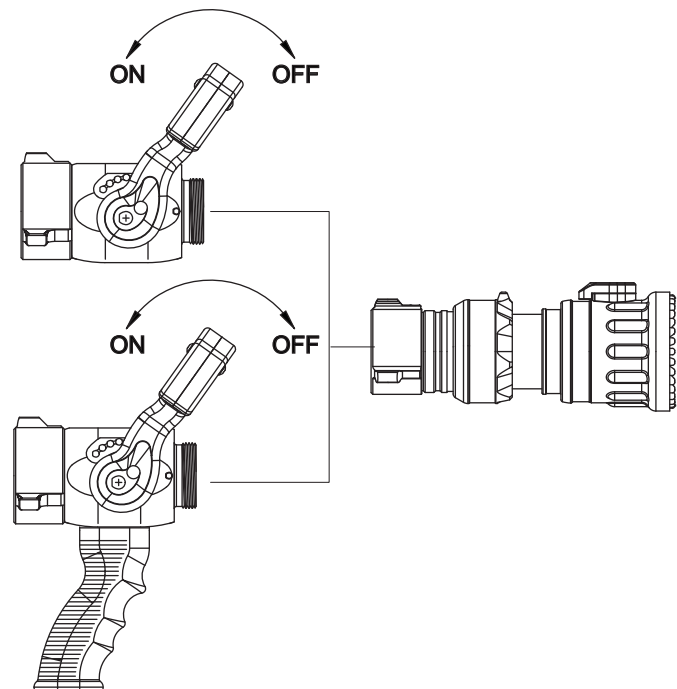


5.1.2 TIP ONLY

Tip only nozzles have NO shut-off valve within the nozzle and MUST be used with a separate ball valve attached to the nozzle.

5.1.3 BALL SHUT OFF

A separate ball valve for use with Tip Only nozzles is shut off when the valve handle is fully forward. Pulling back on the handle opens the valve. Open valve slowly to avoid sudden changes in nozzle reaction. Close valve slowly to prevent water hammer. Note: In partially open positions a ball valve will cause turbulence and adversely affect stream quality. Nozzles attached to an in-service hose shall be stored in the off position.



5.2 PATTERN CONTROL ADJUSTMENT

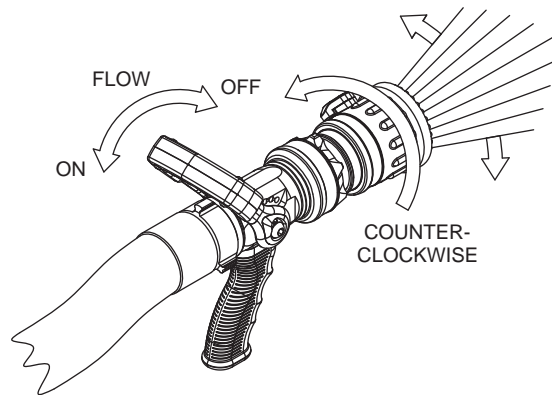
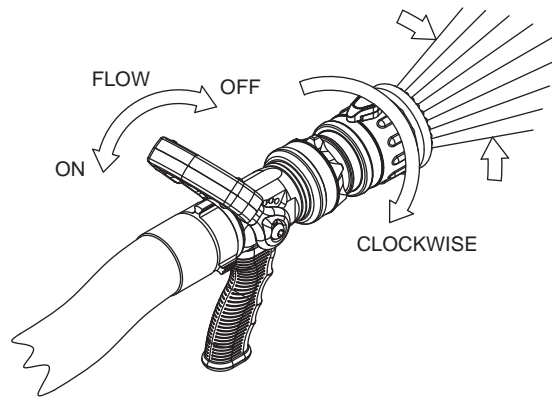
5.2.1 PATTERN CONTROL

TFT's nozzles have full pattern control from straight stream to wide fog. Turning the stream shaper clockwise (as seen from the operating position behind the nozzle) moves the shaper to the straight stream position. Turning the shaper counterclockwise will result in an increasingly wider pattern.

Since the stream trim point varies with flow, the stream should be "trimmed" after changing the flow to obtain the straightest and farthest reaching stream. To properly trim the stream, first open the pattern to narrow fog. Then close the stream to parallel to give maximum reach. **Note: Turning the shaper further forward will cause stream crossover and reduce the effective reach of the nozzle.**

The nozzle reaction is greatest when the shaper is in the straight stream position. The nozzle operator must be prepared for a change in reaction as the pattern is changed.

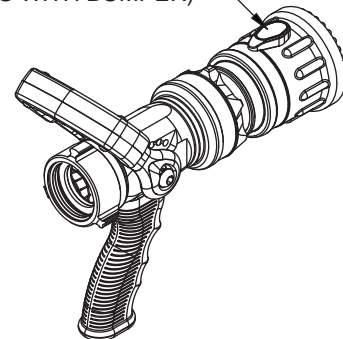
Care must be taken to avoid dents or nicks in the nozzle tip because they can seriously affect the stream reach.



5.2.2 SHAPER TACTILE INDICATOR

The G-Force has a tactile indicator on the stream shaper. The tactile indicator allows the stream shaper position (and fog angle) to be determined by feel rather than by sight. The fog angle can be adjusted (see section 5.2.3) so that a desired fog angle is achieved when the tactile indicator is on top of the nozzle. The G-Force has an optional detent to aid in returning to a known fog angle. Note: The fog angle will change as flow and pressure change (becoming wider with increased flow).

TACTILE INDICATOR
(MOVES WITH BUMPER)

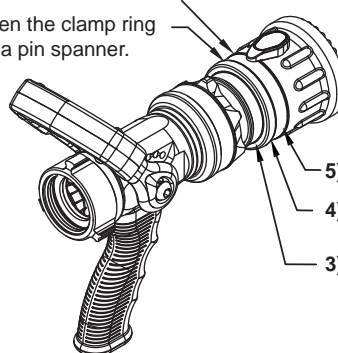


5.2.3 FOG ANGLE ADJUSTMENT

Typically the G-Force is factory set with the tactile indicator in the top position for straight stream. The fog angle can be adjusted while keeping the tactile indicator on top by following the steps in figure 5.2.3. You will need a new shaper label if you change the fog angle adjustment.

1) Remove or cut the shaper label.

2) Loosen the clamp ring with a pin spanner.



5) Apply a new shaper label.

4) Tighten the clamp ring with a pin spanner.

3) While keeping the tactile indicator or lock out lever on top, rotate the shaper guide to obtain the desired fog angle.

Figure 5.2.3 Fog Angle Adjustment

6.0 USE WITH FOAM

The G-Force nozzle may be used with foam solutions. Refer to fire service training for the proper use of foam.

⚠ WARNING

For Class B fires, lack of foam or interruption in the foam stream can cause a break in the foam blanket and greatly increase the risk of injury or death. Assure that:

- Application rate is sufficient (see NFPA 11 or foam manufacturer's recommendations)
- Enough concentrate is on hand to complete task (see NFPA for minimum duration time requirements)
- Foam logistics have been carefully planned.

Allow for such things as:

- Storage of foam in a location not exposed to the hazard it protects
- Personnel, equipment and technique to deliver foam at a rapid enough rate
- Removal of empty foam containers
- Clear path to deliver foam, as hoses and other equipment and vehicles are deployed

⚠ WARNING

Improper use of foam can result in injury or damage to the environment. Follow foam manufacturer's instructions and fire service training to avoid:

- Using wrong type of foam on a fire. i.e. Class A foam on a Class B fire.
- Plunging foam into pools of burning liquid fires.
- Causing environmental damage.
- Directing stream at personnel.

⚠ WARNING

There are a wide variety of foam concentrates. Each user is responsible for verifying that any foam concentrate chosen to be used with this unit has been tested to assure that the foam obtained is suitable for the purpose intended.

⚠ WARNING

Use of compressed air foam (CAF) with hand held nozzles can cause sudden surges in nozzle reaction force resulting in risk of injury or death from loss of footing or hose whipping. Be prepared for sudden changes in nozzle reaction caused by:

- Slug loading (Loss of foam concentrate sends slugs of air and water into the nozzle)
- Sudden release of built-up pressure in the hose when opening a nozzle

6.1 FOAM ASPIRATING ATTACHMENTS

To increase the expansion ratio, G-Force Series MX Foamjet (model FJ-MX-G) multi-expansion attachment or LX Foamjet (model FJ-LX-G) low expansion attachment may be used with G-Force nozzles. These foam tubes attach and detach quickly from the nozzle. Note: As expansion ratio is increased, the reach of the nozzle will be decreased due to the greater amount of bubbles in the stream and their ability to penetrate the air. Generally the reach with foam is approximately 10% less than with water only. Actual results will vary based on brand of foam, hardness of water, temperature, etc. See Foamjet instruction manual for specific information. See LIA-025 (MANUAL: Foam Attachments for TFT Nozzles).

7.0 USE OF G-FORCE NOZZLES

IT IS THE RESPONSIBILITY OF THE INDIVIDUAL FIRE DEPARTMENT OR AGENCY TO DETERMINE PHYSICAL CAPABILITIES AND SUITABILITY FOR AN INDIVIDUAL'S USE OF THIS EQUIPMENT.

Many factors contribute to the extinguishment of a fire. Among the most important is delivering water at a flow rate sufficient to absorb heat faster than it is being generated. The flow rate depends largely on the pump discharge pressure and hose friction loss. It can be calculated using a hydraulic equation such as:

$$PDP = NP + FL + DL + EL$$

PDP = Pump discharge pressure in PSI

NP = Nozzle pressure in PSI

FL = Hose friction loss in PSI

DL = Device loss in PSI

EL = Elevation loss in PSI

This manual is not intended to act as a training guide for safe fireground tactics and operations. For additional information visit www/tft.com or contact customer service at 800-348-2686.

8.0 APPROVALS

Many TFT G-Force nozzle configurations carry the FM Approval rating. Consult www.tft.com for a complete list.

9.0 COLOR CODED VALVE HANDLE AND PISTOL GRIP

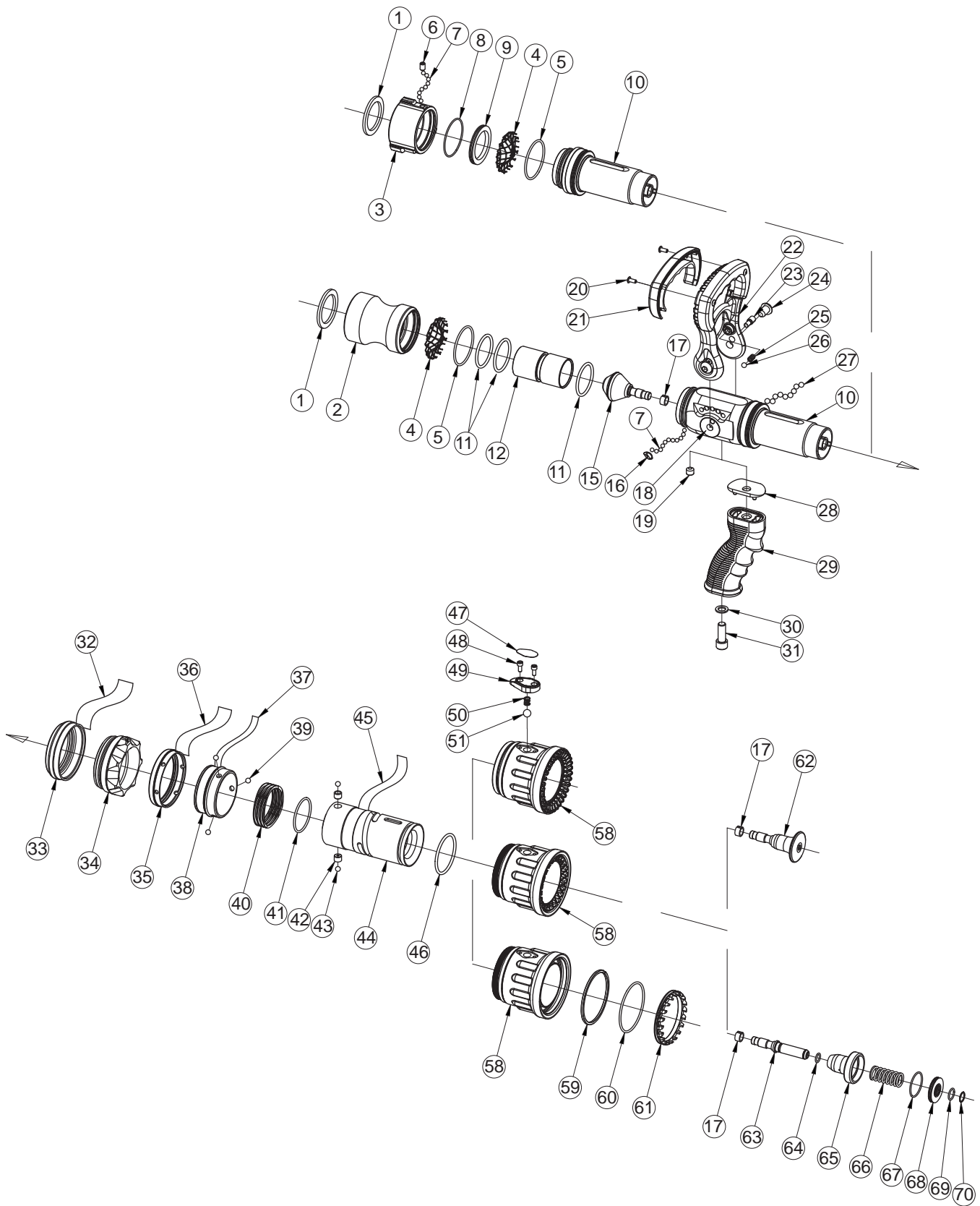
The TFT G-FORCE with lever type valve handles are supplied with black valve handle covers and pistol grips. The handle covers and pistol grips are available from TFT in various colors for those departments wishing to color code the nozzle to the discharge controls. A colored handle cover set will be sent upon receipt of the warranty card by TFT. Your department's name can also be engraved on the covers (see warranty card for more information).

Handle covers are replaceable by removing the four screws that hold the handle covers in place. Use a 3/32" allen wrench when replacing screws. Pistol grip is replaceable by following TFT instruction sheet LTT-108.

For standardization NFPA 1901 (A-4-9.3) recommends the following color code scheme:

Preconnect #1 or Bumper Jump Line	Orange	Other Colors Available:
Preconnect or discharge #2	Red	• Gray
Preconnect or discharge #3	Yellow	• Pink
Preconnect or discharge #4	White	• Purple
Preconnect or discharge #5	Blue	• Tan
Preconnect or discharge #6	Black	
Preconnect or discharge #7	Green	
Foam Lines	Red w/ White border (Red/White)	

10.0 DRAWINGS AND PART LISTS



INDEX	DESCRIPTION	QTY	ITEM #
1	GASKET - 1.5" HOSE COUPLING	1	V3130
2	COUPLING 1.5"NH		G690N
	COUPLING 1.5"NPSH		G690I
3	COUPLING NFTS 1.5"NH	1	G698N
	COUPLING NFTS 1.5"NPSH		G698I
4	GASKET GRABBER	1	G606
5	VO-RING-134	1	VO-134
6	1/4-28 X 3/8 SOCKET SET SCREW	1	VT25-28SS375
7	3/16" SS BALL	34	V2120
8	VO-RING-032	1	VO-032
9	NFTS ADAPTER	1	G602
10	VALVE BODY - TIP ONLY	1	G601
	VALVE BODY - SHUT OFF	1	G600
11	VO-RING-222	3	VO-222
12	SLIDER	1	G605
15	VALVE PLUG SUB ASSEMBLY	1	G903
16	PORT PLUG	1	B770
17	CENTERING BUSHING	2	G612
18	DISK	2	G615
19	3/8-16 X 5/16 SOCKET SET SCREW	1	VT37-16SS312
20	8-14 X 3/8 PUSHTITE BUTTON HEAD	4	VT08-14PT375
21	HANDLE COVER, BLACK	2	HM625
22	VALVE HANDLE	1	G620
23	CAM PIN	2	G616
24	HANDLE SCREW	2	HM645
25	DETENT SPRING	2	HM770
26	.243" TORLON BALL	2	VB243TO
27	1/8" ACETAL BALL	56	VB125AC
28	GRIP SPACER F100	1	HM693-F
29	PISTOL GRIP, BLACK	1	HM692-BLK
30	WASHER	1	VM4901
31	3/8-16 X 1 SOCKET HEAD SCREW	1	VT37-16SH1.0
INDEX RING LABEL			
32	30/60/95/125/150GPM @ 100PSI		G641S0L
	30/60/95/125/150 GPM @ 75 PSI		G641S1L
	150 GPM @ 100 PSI		G641S5L
	150 GPM @ 75 PSI		G641S6L
	AUTOMATIC		G641A0L
	AUTOMATIC		G641A1L
33	SUBRING	33	SUBRING

INDEX	DESCRIPTION	QTY	ITEM #
INDEX RING			
34	30/60/95/125/150 GPM @ 100 PSI	1	G641S0
	30/60/95/125/150 GPM @ 75 PSI		G641S1
	AUTOMATIC		G641A0
35	CLAMP RING	1	G656
36	CLAMP RING LABEL	1	G656L
37	SHAPER GUIDE LABEL	1	G655L
38	SHAPER GUIDE	1	G655
39	.243" TORLON BALL	3	VB243TO
40	FLUSH SPRING	1	G626
41	VO-RING-130	1	VO-130
42	CAM BALL SEAT	2	G624
43	.243" TORLON BALL	2	VB243TO
44	BARREL, SHAPER DETENT	1	G625
	BARREL, SHAPER LOCK-OUT		G627
45	BARREL LABEL	1	G625L
46	VO-RING-225	1	VO-225
47	TACTILE INDICATOR LABEL	1	G657L
48	8-32 X 3/8 SOCKET HEAD SCREW	2	VT08-32SH375
49	TACTILE INDICATOR	1	G657
50	DETENT SPRING	1	H770
51	3/8" TORLON BALL	1	VB375TO
58	FIXED RUBBER TEETH SHAPER WITH BUMPER	1	G650
	FIXED METAL TEETH SHAPER WITH BUMPER		G654
	SPINNING TEETH SHAPER WITH BUMPER		G651
59	O.D. WEAR RING	1	G653
60	VO-RING-143	1	VO-143
61	SPINNING TEETH	1	G652
62	FIXED BAFFLE	1	G630
63	AUTOMATIC SHAFT	1	G633
64	VO-RING-012	1	VO-012
65	AUTOMATIC BAFFLE	1	G632
66	CONTROL SPRING 100 PSI	1	G635-100
	CONTROL SPRING 75 PSI / 5 BAR		G635-75
67	VO-RING-025	1	VO-025
68	SUBBAFFLE	1	G634
69	VO-RING-013		VO-013
70	SMALLEY RING	1	VR4225

11.0 WARRANTY

Task Force Tips, Inc., 3701 Innovation Way, Valparaiso, Indiana 46383-9327 USA ("TFT") warrants to the original purchaser of its G-Force series nozzles ("equipment"), and to anyone to whom it is transferred, that the equipment shall be free from defects in material and workmanship during the five (5) year period from the date of purchase.

TFT's obligation under this warranty is specifically limited to replacing or repairing the equipment (or its parts) which are shown by TFT's examination to be in a defective condition attributable to TFT. To qualify for this limited warranty, the claimant must return the equipment to TFT, at 3701 Innovation Way, Valparaiso, Indiana 46383-9327 USA, within a reasonable time after discovery of the defect. TFT will examine the equipment. If TFT determines that there is a defect attributable to it, TFT will correct the problem within a reasonable time. If the equipment is covered by this limited warranty, TFT will assume the expenses of repair.

If any defect attributable to TFT under this limited warranty cannot be reasonably cured by repair or replacement, TFT may elect to refund the purchase price of the equipment, less reasonable depreciation, in complete discharge of its obligations under this limited warranty. If TFT makes this election, claimant shall return the equipment to TFT free and clear of any liens and encumbrances.

This is a limited warranty. The original purchaser of the equipment, any person to whom it is transferred, and any person who is an intended or unintended beneficiary of the equipment, shall not be entitled to recover from TFT any consequential or incidental damages for injury to person and/or property resulting from any defective equipment manufactured or assembled by TFT. It is agreed and understood that the price stated for the equipment is in part consideration for limiting TFT's liability. Some states do not allow the exclusion or limitation of incidental or consequential damages, so the above may not apply to you.

TFT shall have no obligation under this limited warranty if the equipment is, or has been, misused or neglected (including failure to provide reasonable maintenance) or if there have been accidents to the equipment or if it has been repaired or altered by someone else.

THIS IS A LIMITED EXPRESS WARRANTY ONLY. TFT EXPRESSLY DISCLAIMS WITH RESPECT TO THE EQUIPMENT ALL IMPLIED WARRANTIES OF MERCHANTABILITY AND ALL IMPLIED WARRANTIES OF FITNESS FOR A PARTICULAR PURPOSE. THERE IS NO WARRANTY OF ANY NATURE MADE BY TFT BEYOND THAT STATED IN THIS DOCUMENT.

This limited warranty gives you specific legal rights, and you may also have other rights which vary from state to state.

12.0 MAINTENANCE

TFT nozzles are designed and manufactured to be damage resistant and require minimal maintenance. However, as the primary firefighting tool upon which your life depends, it should be treated accordingly. To help prevent mechanical damage, do not drop or throw equipment.

12.1 FIELD LUBRICATION

All Task Force Tips' nozzles are factory lubricated with high quality silicone grease. This lubricant has excellent wash out resistance and long term performance in firefighting nozzles. If your department has unusually hard or sandy water, the moving parts of the nozzle may be affected. Foam agents and water additives contain soaps and chemicals that may break down the factory lubrication. The moving parts of the nozzle should be checked on a regular basis for smooth and free operation, and for signs of damage. IF THE NOZZLE IS OPERATING CORRECTLY, THEN NO ADDITIONAL LUBRICANT IS NEEDED. Any nozzle that is not operating correctly should be immediately removed from service.

The field use of Break Free CLP (spray or liquid) lubricant will help to restore the smooth and free operation of the nozzle. However, these lubricants do not have the washout resistance and long-term performance of the silicone grease. Therefore, re-application of Break Free CLP will be needed on a regular basis. CAUTION: Aerosol lubricants contain solvents that can swell O-Rings if applied in excess. The swelling can inhibit smooth operation of the moving parts. When used in moderation, as directed, the solvents quickly evaporate without adversely swelling the O-Rings.

The nozzle can be returned to the factory for a complete checkup and re-lubrication with silicone grease

PART ONE — COUPLING DOWN

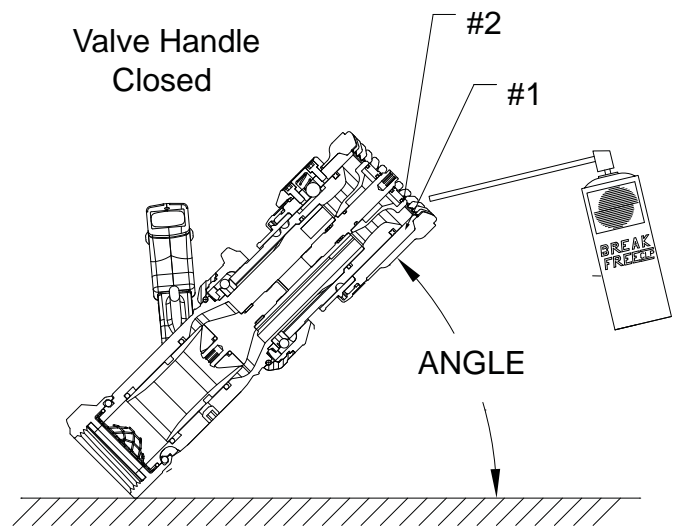
Position the nozzle at a 45-degree angle with the COUPLING end down. Set the pattern to STRAIGHT STREAM. Then spray a short burst into these areas:

#1 FRONT PATTERN CONTROL SEAL

Spray in between the pattern control and the barrel.

#2 PRESSURE CONTROL UNIT

Spray in between the baffle and sub-baffle.



PART TWO — COUPLING UP

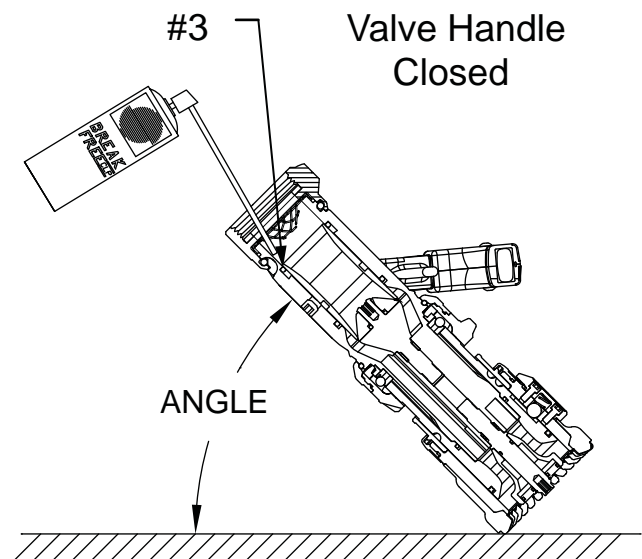
Position the nozzle at a 45-degree angle with the BUMPER end down. OPEN the valve handle and set the pattern to FLUSH. Spray a short burst in these areas:

#4 REAR SLIDER SEAL

Spray into the clearance between the slider and the valve body.

#4 DETENTS IN THE HANDLE

Spray a small amount on the detent followers located in the handle.



While holding nozzle at the angle, wait 30 seconds, then cycle the valve handle several times. Rotate the pattern control from straight stream to full fog. The pattern control should move freely and easily.

IF THIS PROCEDURE DOES NOT RESTORE SMOOTH AND FREE OPERATION OF ALL THE MOVING PARTS, THEN FACTORY SERVICE IS NEEDED. • 24-HOUR HOT LINE — 800-348-2686 • www.tft.com

12.2 SERVICE TESTING

In accordance with NFPA 1962 (2013), nozzles must be tested a minimum of annually. Nozzles failing any part of this test must be removed from service, repaired and retested upon completion of the repair.

12.2.1 HYDROSTATIC TESTING

Each nozzle with a shut off mechanism shall be tested in the following manner.

1. The nozzle shall be placed in a device capable of holding it and the shut off shall be closed.
2. A device capable of exerting a hydrostatic pressure of 300 psi (2070 kPa) or 1.5 times the maximum operating pressure, whichever is higher, shall be attached to the nozzle.
3. All air shall be bled from the system.
4. The gage pressure shall be increased by 50 psi (3.5 bar or 345 kPa) increments, held for 30 seconds at each pressure up to the maximum pressure for which the nozzle is being tested, and then held for one minute without leakage.
5. There shall be no sign of leakage through the valve or shut off.

12.2.2 FLOW TESTING

Flow testing must be conducted in the following manner.

1. The nozzle shall be mounted so that the flow rate and pressure through the nozzle and the pressure at the inlet can be accurately measured.
2. With the shut off fully open, the inlet pressure shall be adjusted to the rated pressure ± 2 percent.
3. The valve or shut off and pattern controls shall be operated through their full range of motion at 100 psi (6.9 bar or 690 kPa) with no signs of leaking, binding or other problems.
4. Evaluate the flow of nozzles as defined by NFPA 1964 in the following manner:

Basic Spray Nozzles shall flow no less than and no more than 10 percent over the rated flow at the rated pressure in the straight stream and wide-angle fog settings.

Constant and Selectable Gallonage Nozzles shall flow no less than and no more than 10 percent over the rated flow at the rated pressure at each predetermined flow selection.

Automatic (Constant Pressure) Spray Nozzles

1. The flow rate shall slowly be increased to the maximum rated flow, and the minimum and maximum pressures through the flow range recorded.
2. Nozzles shall maintain their rated pressure ± 15 psi (± 1 bar or ± 100 kPa) throughout the rated flow range.

NFPA 1962: Standard for the care, use, inspection, service testing, and replacement of fire hose, couplings, nozzles and fire hose appliances. (2013 ed., Section 5.3). Quincy, MA: National Fire Protection Agency.

12.2.3 RECORDS

A record of testing and repairs must be maintained from the time the nozzle is purchased until it is discarded. Each TFT nozzle is engraved with a unique serial number which, if so desired, can be used to identify nozzle for documentation purposes.

The following information, if applicable, must be included on the test record for each nozzle:

1. Assigned identification number
2. Manufacturer
3. Product or model designation
4. Vendor
5. Warranty
6. Hose connection size
7. Maximum operating pressure
8. Flow rate or range
9. Date received and date put in service
10. Date of each service test and service test results
11. Damage and repairs, including who made the repairs and the cost of repair parts
12. Reason removed from service

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12.3 REPAIR

Factory service is available with repair time seldom exceeding one day in our facility. Factory-serviced nozzles are repaired by experienced technicians, wet tested to original specifications, and promptly returned. Repair charges for non-warranty items are minimal. Any returns should include a note as to the nature of the problem and whom to reach in case of questions.

Repair parts and service procedures are available for those wishing to perform their own repairs. Task Force Tips assumes no liability for damage to equipment or injury to personnel that is a result of user service. Contact the factory or visit the web site at www.tft.com for parts lists, exploded views, test procedures and troubleshooting guides.

Performance tests shall be conducted on the G-Force nozzle after a repair, or anytime a problem is reported to verify operation in accordance with TFT test procedures. Consult factory for the procedure that corresponds to the model and serial number of the nozzle. Any equipment which fails the related test criteria should be removed from service immediately. Troubleshooting guides are available with each test procedure or equipment can be returned to the factory for service and testing.



Any alterations to the nozzle and its markings could diminish safety and constitutes a misuse of this product.

13.0 OPERATION AND INSPECTION CHECKLIST

TFT's G-Force is designed and manufactured to be damage resistant and require minimal maintenance. However, as the primary fire fighting tool upon which your life depends, it should be treated accordingly.

BEFORE EACH USE the nozzle must be inspected to this checklist:

- 1) There is no obvious damage such as missing, broken or loose parts, damaged labels etc.
- 2) Debris screen is free of debris
- 3) Coupling is tight and leak free
- 4) Valve operates freely through full range and regulates flow
- 5) "OFF" position does fully shut off and flow is stopped
- 6) Nozzle flow is adequate as indicated by pump pressure and nozzle reaction
- 7) Shaper turns freely and adjusts pattern through full range
- 8) Shaper turns into full flush and out of flush with normal flow and pressure restored
- 9) Shaper detent (if so equipped) operates smoothly and positively.

BEFORE BEING PLACED BACK IN SERVICE, nozzles must be inspected to this checklist;

- 1) All controls and adjustments are operational
- 2) Shut off valve (if so equipped) closes off the flow completely
- 3) There are no broken or missing parts
- 4) There is no damage to the nozzle
- 5) The thread gasket is in good condition
- 6) The waterway is clear of obstructions
- 7) Nozzle is clean and markings are legible
- 8) Coupling is retightened properly
- 9) Shaper is set to desired pattern
- 10) Shutoff handle is stored in the OFF position

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Any nozzle failing any part of the checklist is unsafe for use and must have the problem corrected before use or being placed back into service. Operating a nozzle that has failed the checklist is a misuse of this equipment.