

MANUAL: ThunderFog, QuadraFog and QuadraCup

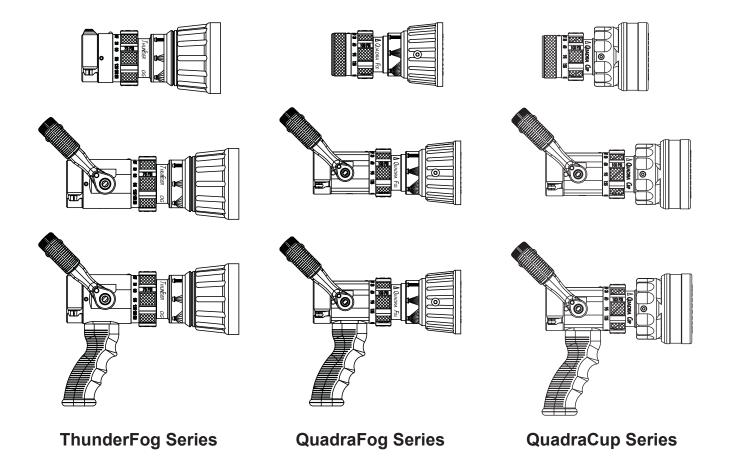
INSTRUCTIONS FOR INSTALLATION, SAFE OPERATION AND MAINTENANCE



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 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 ThunderFog, QuadraFog and QuadraCup fire fighting nozzles.

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





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PERSONAL RESPONSIBILITY CODE

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

- Firefighting and Emergency Response are inherently dangerous activities requiring proper training in their hazards and the use of extreme caution at all times.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.



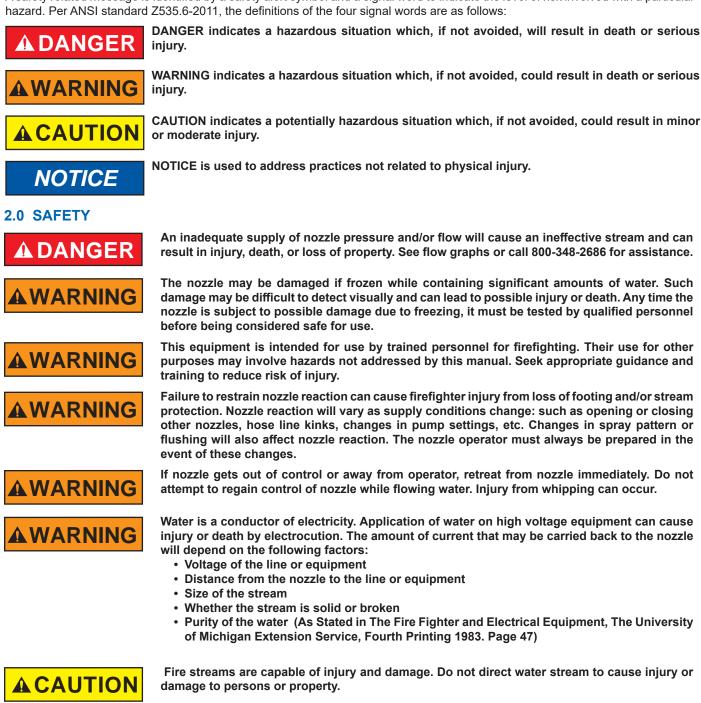
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1.0 MEANING OF SAFETY SIGNAL WORDS

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



3.0 GENERAL INFORMATION

This manual describes nozzles calibrated at 100 psi (7 bar) and 75 psi (5 bar). Contact factory for data specific to models that operate with metric flow calibrations. Thunderfog, Quadrafog and QuadraCup are economical, lightweight, and dependable nozzles. Their rugged construction is compatible with the use of fresh as well as firefighting foam solutions. Other important operating features are:

- Quick-acting pattern control from straight stream to wide fog
- Fixed fog teeth
- · Stainless Steel spinning fog teeth available on some models
- Easily flushable while flowing to clear trapped debris
- Quick-change rear valve seat
- TFT's five-year warranty and unsurpassed customer service

3.1 VARIOUS MODELS AND TERMS

The nozzle is available in several different models and inlet connections. Basic body styles are shown in figure 1.

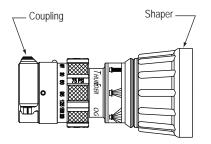
Selectable Flow: A nozzle with a discharge orifice that can be set to a user selected position. In each position the nozzle acts as a fixed orifice nozzle.

Fixed Flow: A nozzle with a discharge orifice that is a fixed opening size. The user can set the opening to flush positions, or on tip only models to the OFF position.

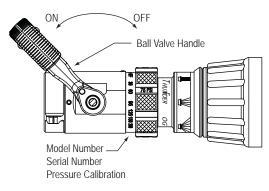
Tip Only: a nozzle without an integral ball shutoff valve. Thunderfog, Quadrafog and QuadraCup nozzles are available in a variety of flow ranges and configurations. All models deliver the selected flow when the rated pressure is supplied to the nozzle. Flow settings and recommended hose sizes are:

SERIES	RECOMMEI HOSE SI		FLOW SETTINGS @100 PSI (7bar)		NOZZLE TYPE	
	INCHES	ММ	GPM	GPM I/min		
1" QUADRAFOG	3/4, 1	19, 25	5, 10, 24, 40	20, 40, 100, 150	Selectable Flow	
1.5" QUADRAFOG	1-1/2	38	30, 60, 95, 125	115, 230, 360, 475	Selectable Flow	
1.5" QUADRACUP	1-1/2	38	30, 60, 95, 125	115, 230, 360, 475	Selectable Flow, Foam	
1.5" THUNDERFOG	1-1/2 to 1-3/4	38 to 45	30, 60, 95, 125, 150, 200	115, 230, 360, 475, 550, 750	Selectable Flow	
2.5" THUNDERFOG	1-1/2 to 2-1/2	38 to 64	95, 125, 150, 200, 250	360, 475, 550, 750, 950	Selectable Flow	
* Other threads, coupling sizes, or connector styles can be specified at time of order.						

ThunderFog, QuadraFog and QuadraCup nozzles are available in several models. Some common models are shown in figure 1.



A) TIP ONLY (not available with 2-1/2" coupling)



B) BALL VALVE

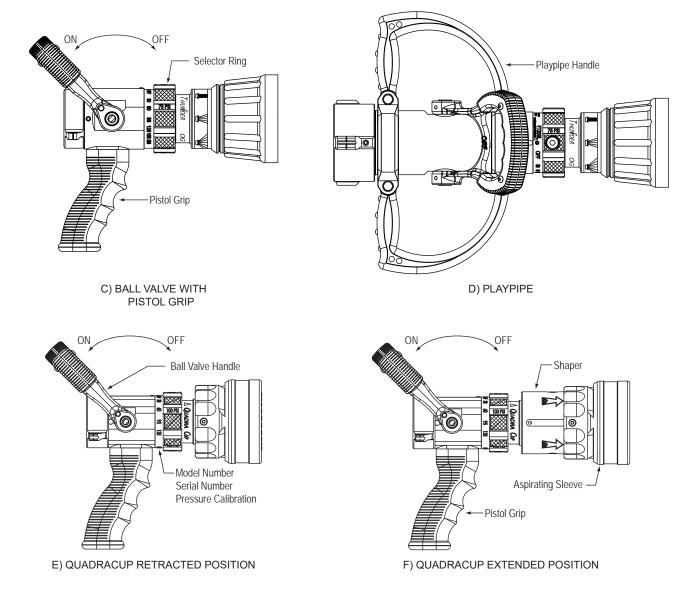


FIGURE 1 BASIC NOZZLE CONFIGURATIONS AND TERMS

3.2 SPECIFICATIONS

3.2.1 MECHANICAL

Maximum nozzle intlet pressure	1" Quadrafog 300 psi Standard Model	21 bar	
with valve shutoff	1" Quadrafog 800 psi High Pressure Model	55 bar	
	1.5" Quadrafog & Quadracup 300 psi	21 bar	
	1.5" & 2.5" Thunderfog 300 psi	21 bar	
Operating temperature range of fluid	33 to 120 F	1 to 50 C	
Storage temperature range of fluid	-40 to 150 F	-40 to 65 C	
Materials used	Aluminum 6000 series hard anodized MIL 8625 class 3 type 2, stainless steel 300 series, nylon 6-6, nitrile rubber		

3.3 NOZZLE COUPLING

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

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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 SALT WATER

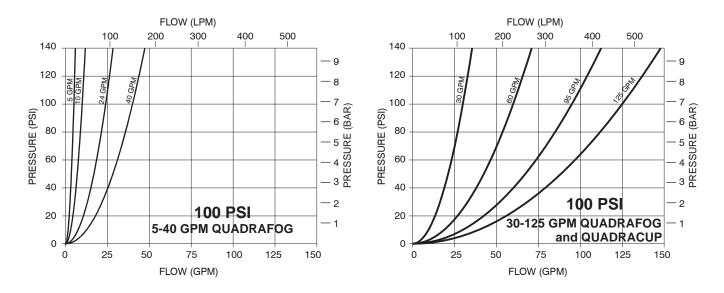
Use with saltwater is permissible provided nozzle is thoroughly cleaned with fresh water after each use. The service life of the nozzle may be shortened due to the effects of corrosion and is not covered under warranty.

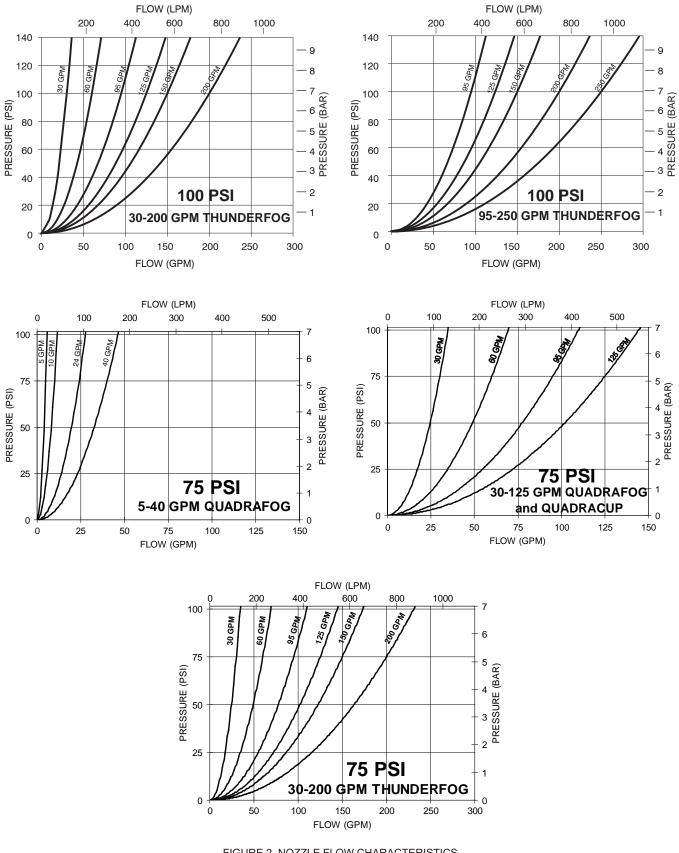
4.0 FLOW CHARACTERISTICS

At each flow setting the nozzle is set to a predetermined fixed orifice. Relationship of flow and nozzle pressure at each setting is shown in figure 2. Contact the factory or visit the website (tft.com) for range and trajectory data.

SPECIAL CONFIGURATIONS If nozzles are made according to the special marking or performance requirements of the fire department then the operating characteristics may differ from the published data in this manual. Repair parts specific to each serial number may differ from those shown in the service procedure. The required parts for each serial number are available on-line by entering tft.123456 with the numbers corresponding to the serial number engraved on the product.

The charts in this document give specific examples of pump pressure and flow for various hoses and lengths. Losses may vary due to differences in hose construction resulting in flows different than shown. For situations or lengths of hose not listed on the chart, approximate flows can be calculated using conventional hydraulics.





5.0 NOZZLE CONTROLS

5.1 BALL VALVE SHUTOFF

Models with a ball valve are 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 SELECTOR RING

5.2.1 FLOW SETTING

The selector ring is marked with various flow settings. Turn the selector ring so the desired setting lines up with the silver indicator pin. A spring-loaded detent is provided at each flow setting. The nozzle will flow the indicated amount when the pressure at the nozzle is 100 PSI (7 bar) or 75 PSI (5 bar) on low pressure versions.

5.2.2 FLUSH SETTING

Debris may become trapped in the nozzle causing poor stream quality, shortened reach and reduced flow. To remove trapped debris, the nozzle can be flushed as follows: While still flowing water, rotate the selector ring into the flush position. This will open up the nozzle, allowing debris to pass through. Rotate the selector ring out of flush to continue normal operations. The nozzle operator must be prepared for a change in nozzle reaction when returning the nozzle from the flush position to retain control of the nozzle.



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.

5.2.3 SHUTOFF SETTING (TIP-ONLY MODELS)

On tip-only models the selector ring has a shutoff setting to stop the nozzle flow. To shut off the nozzle, rotate the selector ring clockwise (as seen from the operating position behind the nozzle) into the "OFF" position. Rotate counterclockwise into a flow setting to open nozzle.

5.3 PATTERN CONTROL

The Thunderfog, Quadrafog and QuadraCup nozzles have full pattern control from straight stream to wide fog. Turning the 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 the flow, the stream should be 'trimmed' after changing the flow to obtain the straightest and furthest reaching stream. The nozzle reaction is greatest when the shaper is in the straight-stream position.

To properly trim a stream, first open the pattern to a 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 operator must be prepared for a change in reaction as the pattern is changed.

5.4 QUADRACUP NOZZLES

The QuadraCup nozzle is capable of producing aspirated foam as well as a conventional straight stream and wide protective fog pattern. The QuadraCup functions just like the QuadraFog nozzle when the aspirating sleeve is in the retracted position as in figure 1E.

To use the aspirating feature of the QuadraCup, the nozzle operator need only slide the aspirating sleeve portion of the nozzle forward as in figure 1F. Rotation of the shaper when the sleeve is extended will provide the nozzle operator control of reach and aspiration. If an immediate wide protective fog pattern is needed, the sleeve can be retracted instantly to its regular position.

6.0 USE WITH FOAM

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



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

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 fuels
- Causing environmental damage
- Directing stream at personnel



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.



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

Multi-expansion or low expansion aspirating attachments may be used with nozzles to increase the expansion ratio. These foam tubes attach and detach quickly from the nozzle. 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 straight stream 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. For specific information, see LIA-025 (MANUAL: Foam Attachments for TFT Nozzles).

7.0 USE OF NOZZLES

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 = Pump discharge pressure in PSI

PDP = NP+FL+DL+EL

FL = Hose friction loss in PSI DL = Device loss in PSI EL = Elevation loss in PSI

NP = Nozzle pressure in PSI

This manual is not intended to act as a training guide for safe fireground tactics and operations.

For additional information visit tft.com or contact customer service at 800-348-2686.

8.0 APPROVALS

Many nozzle configurations carry the FM Approval rating, NFPA certification, or EN certification.

9.0 COLOR CODED VALVE HANDLE AND PISTOL GRIP

The TFT ULTIMATIC, MID-MATIC & HANDLINE 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.

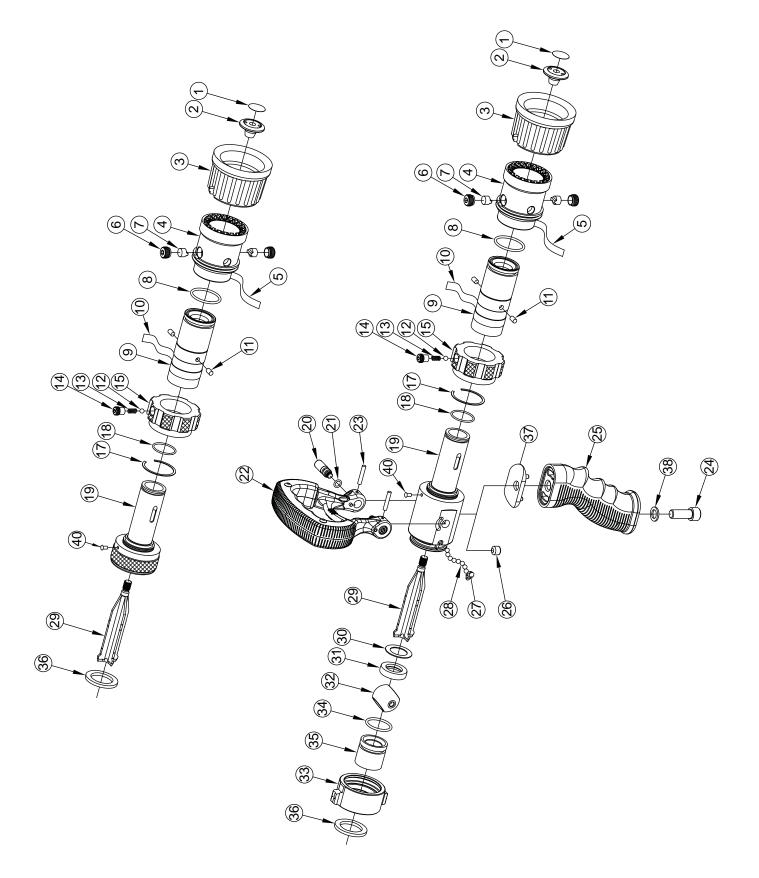
For standardization NFPA 1901 (A-4-9.3) recommends the following color code scheme:

Preconnect #1 or Bumper Jump Line	Orange	Othe
Preconnect or discharge #2	Red	
Preconnect or discharge #3	Yellow	
Preconnect or discharge #4	White	
Preconnect or discharge #5	Blue	
Preconnect or discharge #6	Black	
Preconnect or discharge #7	Green	
Foam Lines	Red w/ White border (Red/White)	

Other Colors Available:

- Gray
- Pink
- Purple
- Tan

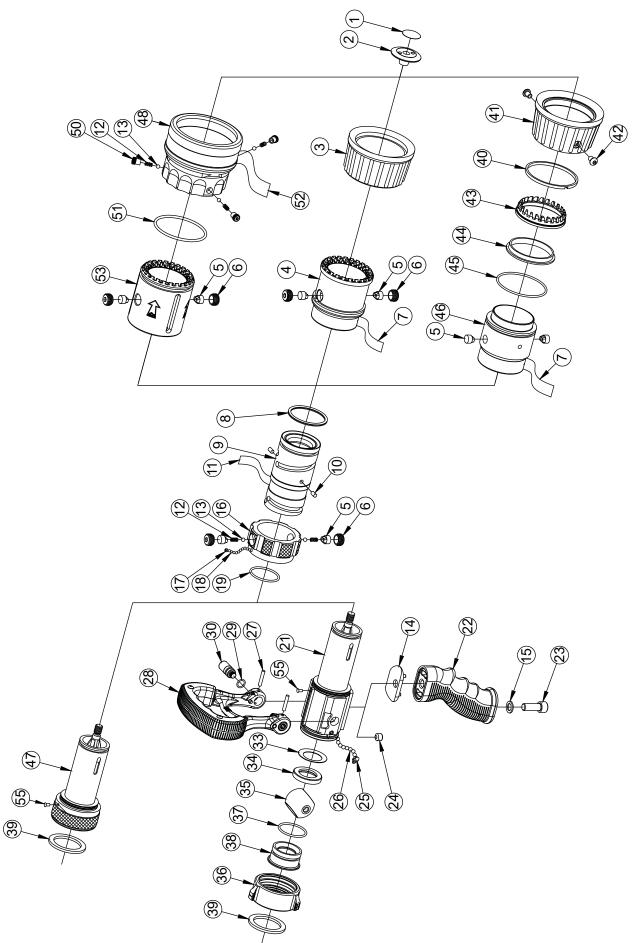
10.1 1" QUADRAFOG SERIES DQ40, DQS40 & DQS40P



Ref #	Description	Qty	Order #
1	DQ Deflector Label	1	DL10
2	DQ Deflector	1	DQ210
3	DQ Bumper	1	DQ275
4	Head	1	DQ220
5	DQ Pattern Label	1	DL200
6	Сир	2	DQ260
7	V Follower	2	DQ265
8	O-Ring 123	1	VO-123
9*	Gallonage Sleeve DQ	1	DQ240
			DQ241
10	Name Label	1	DL241
11	DQ Key Pins	2	DQ250
12	3/16" Torlon Ball	1	V2120-Torlon
13	Spring #C0180-032-0310-S	1	VM4195
14	Detent Screw	1	D290
15*	Index Ring	1	DQ230
			DQ231
17	VSL-149-S02 Smalley Ring	1	V4245
18	O-Ring 021	1	VO-021
19*	DQ Base	1	DQ201
			DQ205**
20	Trunnion	2	D07540
21	O-Ring 010	2	VO-010
22	DQ Handle Subassembly	1	DQ680
23	5/32 x 7/8 HDP Spirol Pin	2	V1900
24	3/8-16 x 7/8" Socket Head Cap Screw	1	VT37-16SH1.0
25	Pistol Grip Small R	1	HM692-BLK
26	3/8-16 x 5/16" Socket Set Screw	1	VT37-16SS312
27	Port Plug	1	B770
28	3/16" SS Ball 302	26	V2120
29	Stem	1	DQ280
30	Belleville Washer	1	D07590
31	75 Front Seat	1	D07570
32	75 Ball	1	D07530
33**	75 Coupling	1	D07597**
34	O-Ring 120	1	VO-120
35	75 Rear Seat	1	D07580
36	1.0" Coupling Gasket	1	V3040
37	Spacer	1	HM693-D
38	Flat Washer	1	VM4901
39	Stop Pin	2	D07550
40	6 x ¼ SS Drive Screw	1	VT06E00DS250

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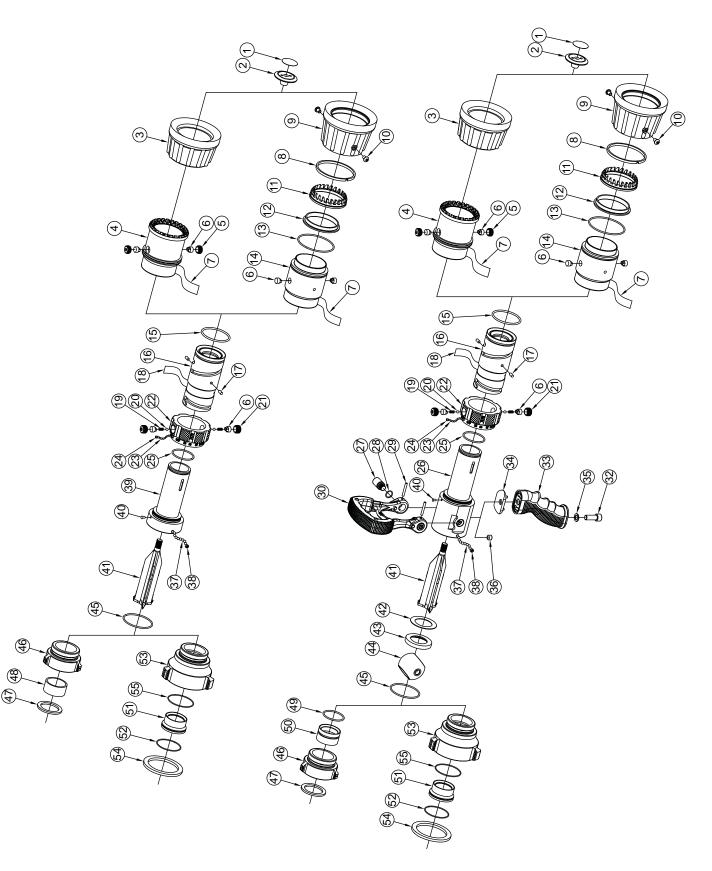
10.2 1.5" QUADRAFOG AND QUADRACUP SERIES



Ref #	Description	Qty	Order #	
1	Deflector Label	1	FL10	
2	Deflector	1	FT210	
3	Bumper	1	FT270	
4	Head	1	FT220	
5	'V' Follower	2	JT263	
6	Сир	2	FT260	
7	Pattern Label	1	FL200	
8	Quad Ring	1	VOQ-4225	
9	Gallonage Sleeve	1	FT240	
			FT241*	
10	Key Pins	2	FT252	
11	Name Label	1	FL241	
12	Helical Spring	3	VM4195	
13	3/16" Torlon Ball	3	V2120-TORLON	
14	Pistol Grip Spacer	1	HM693-F	
15	3/8" Flat Washer	1	VM4901	
16	6 Index Ring		FT230	
			FT231*	
17	8-32 x 1/8" Set Screw	1	VT08-32SS125	
18	1/8" Acetal Ball	50	VB125AC	
19	O-Ring	1	VO-127	
21	Quadrafog Base	1	FT202	
22	Pistol Grip	1	HM692-BLK	
23	Socket Head Screw	1	VT37-16SH1.0	
24	Set Screw	1	VT37-16SS312	
25	Port Plug	1	B770	
26	Stainless Steel Balls	34	V2120	

Ref #	Description	Qty	Order #	
27	Spirol Pin	2	V1900	
28	FQ Handle Subassembly	1	FQ860	
29	O-Ring	2	VO-012	
30	Trunnion	2	F10040	
31	Stop Pin	2	F10050	
33	Bellville Washer	1	F10090	
34	Front Seat	1	F10071	
35	Ball	1	F10030	
36	Coupling	1	F10097	
37	O-Ring	1	VO-126	
38	Rear Seat	1	F10080	
39	Gasket	1	V3130	
40	O.D. Wear Ring	1	FT267	
41	Spinning Tooth Bumper	1	FT265	
42	1/4-20 x 3/8 Button Head Screw	2	VT25B20BH375	
43	Spinning Teeth	1	FT222	
44	I.D. Wear Ring	1	FT227	
45	O-Ring	1	VO-145	
46	Spinning Teeth Head	1	FT225	
47	FQ Base Kit	1	FQ805	
48	Сир	1	F675	
50	Detent Screw	3	D290	
51	O-Ring	1	VO-231	
52	Pattern Label QuadraCup	1	FL205	
53	Foam Head	1	FT226	
55	6 x ¼ SS Drive Screw	1	VT06E00DS250	

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1	Deflector Label	1	JL10	29	5/32 x 1 1/8 HDP Spirol Pin	2	V1920
2	Deflector	1	JT210	30	FT Handle Subassembly	1	FT860
3	Bumper	1	JT270	31	140 Stop Pin	2	F14050
4	Fixed Head	1	JT220	32	3/8-16 X 1 Socket Head Cap Screw	1	VT37-16SH1.0
5	Сир	2	FT260	33	Pistol Grip	1	HM692-BLK
6	V Follower	4	JT263	34	F140 Grip Spacer	1	HM693-J
7*	Pattern Label	1	*	35	3/8" Flat Washer	1	VM4901
8	O.D. Wear Ring	1	JT267	36	3/8-16 X 1 Socket Head Cap Screw	1	VT37-16SS312
9	Bumper (Spinning Teeth)	1	JT265	37	3/16" SS Ball	36/38	V2120
10	1/4-20 x 3/8 Button Head Screw	1	VT25B20BH375	38*	1/4-28 Socket Set Screw	1	VT25-28SS187
11	JT Spinning Teeth	1	JT222				VT25-28SS250
12	ID Wear Ring	1	JT227	39	Universal JT Base	1	JT205
13	O-Ring 149	1	VO-149	40	1/8X1/4 SS Button Head	1	VT12E00RI250
14	Head (Spinning Teeth)	1	JT225	41	Stem	1	JT280
15	O-Ring 227	1	VO-227	42	Belleville Washer	1	J14090
16*	Gallonage Sleeve	1	*	43	140 Front Seat	1	F14070
17	Key Pins	2	JT250	44	140 Ball	1	F14030
18*	Name Label	1	*	45	O-Ring - 140	1	VO-140
19	Spring #C0180-032-0310	2	VM4195	46**	1.5" Coupling	1	F14097**
20	3/16" Torlon Ball	2	V2120-TORLON	47	1.5" Coupling Gasket	1	V3130
21	Сир	2	JT260	48	Backup Plate	1	JT275
22*	Index Ring	1	*	49	O-Ring 129	1	VO-129
23	1/8" Acetal Ball	54	VB125AC	50	140 Rear Seat	1	F14080
24	#8-32 x 5/32 Socket Set Screw	1	VT08-32SS156	51	140 2 ½" Rear Seat	1	J14080
25	O-Ring 130	1	VO-130	52	O-Ring 033	1	VO-033
26	JTS 250 Base	1	JT204	53**	2.5" Coupling		J14097**
27	140 Trunnion	2	F14040	54	2.5" Gasket	1	V3190
28	O-Ring 014	2	VO-014	55	O-Ring 032	1	VO-032

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11.0 WARRANTY

Task Force Tips LLC, 3701 Innovation Way, Valparaiso, Indiana 46383-9327 USA ("TFT") warrants to the original purchaser of its 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.

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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. Do not drop or throw equipment.

12.1 FIELD LUBRICATION

All Task Force Tip nozzles are factory lubricated with high quality silicone grease. This lubricant has excellent washout resistance and long term performance. If your department has unusually hard or sandy water, the moving parts 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 signs of damage. IF THE NOZZLE IS OPERATING CORRECTLY, THEN NO ADDITIONAL LUBRICATION IS NEEDED. Any nozzle that is not operating correctly should be immediately removed from service.

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.

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.tft.com for parts lists, exploded views, test procedures and troubleshooting guides



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

13.0 OPERATION and INSPECTION CHECKLIST

Before each use the nozzle must be inspected to this checklist;

- 1) There is no damage to the appliance that could impair safe operation (e.g. dents, cracks, corrosion, missing, broken or loose parts, damaged markings, or other defects)
- 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

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 is no damage to the appliance that could impair safe operation (e.g. dents, cracks, corrosion, missing, broken or loose parts, damaged markings, or other defects)
- 4) The thread gasket is in good condition
- 5) The waterway is clear of obstructions
- 6) Nozzle is clean and markings are legible
- 7) Coupling is retightened properly
- 8) Shaper is set to desired pattern
- 9) 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.



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