

# PROPORTIONAIR

THE FUTURE OF CONTROL™

QBS-Series



## QB1 & QB2

### ELECTRO-PNEUMATIC CONTROL VALVES

- \* *Precise Closed Loop Control*
- \* *Accuracy +/-0.2 to 0.5% F.S.*
- \* *QBT Series Pressure Ranges from Vacuum to 300 psig (21 bar)*
- \* *QBS Series Pressure Ranges from Vacuum to 500 psig (34 bar)*
- \* *QBS Series has an Internal Stainless Steel Sensor  
& Available with Aluminum or Stainless Steel Manifold*

Actual size QB2T  
shown with  
optional  
digital display

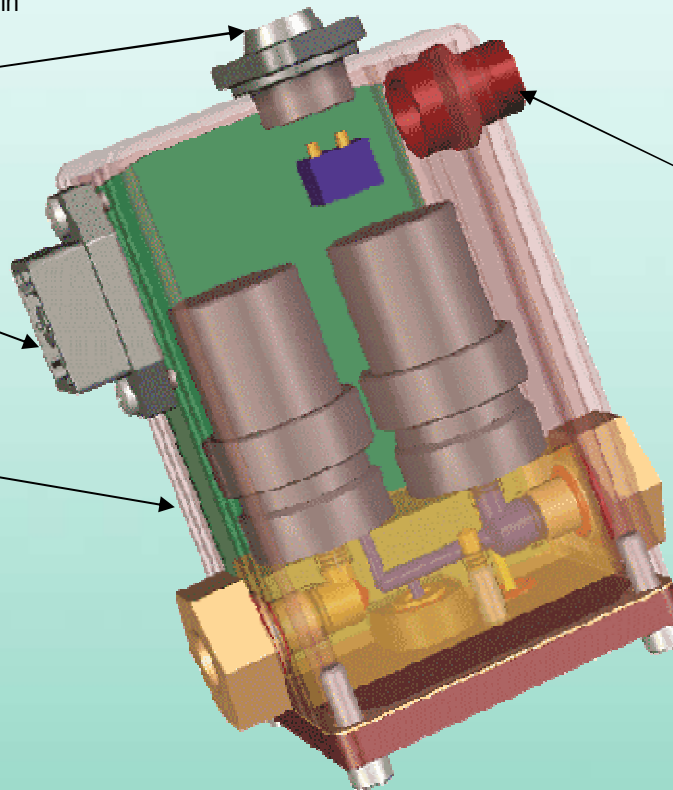
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Access hole allows adjustments in the field. Easy tuning of Zero & Span calibration potentiometers

Available in a wide range of electrical control input and analog output

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• Ships with required filtration



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2nd loop input, QB2T valves only  
Auxiliary connector (S305 option)

• Non-air consuming in steady state which reduces cost of manufacturing

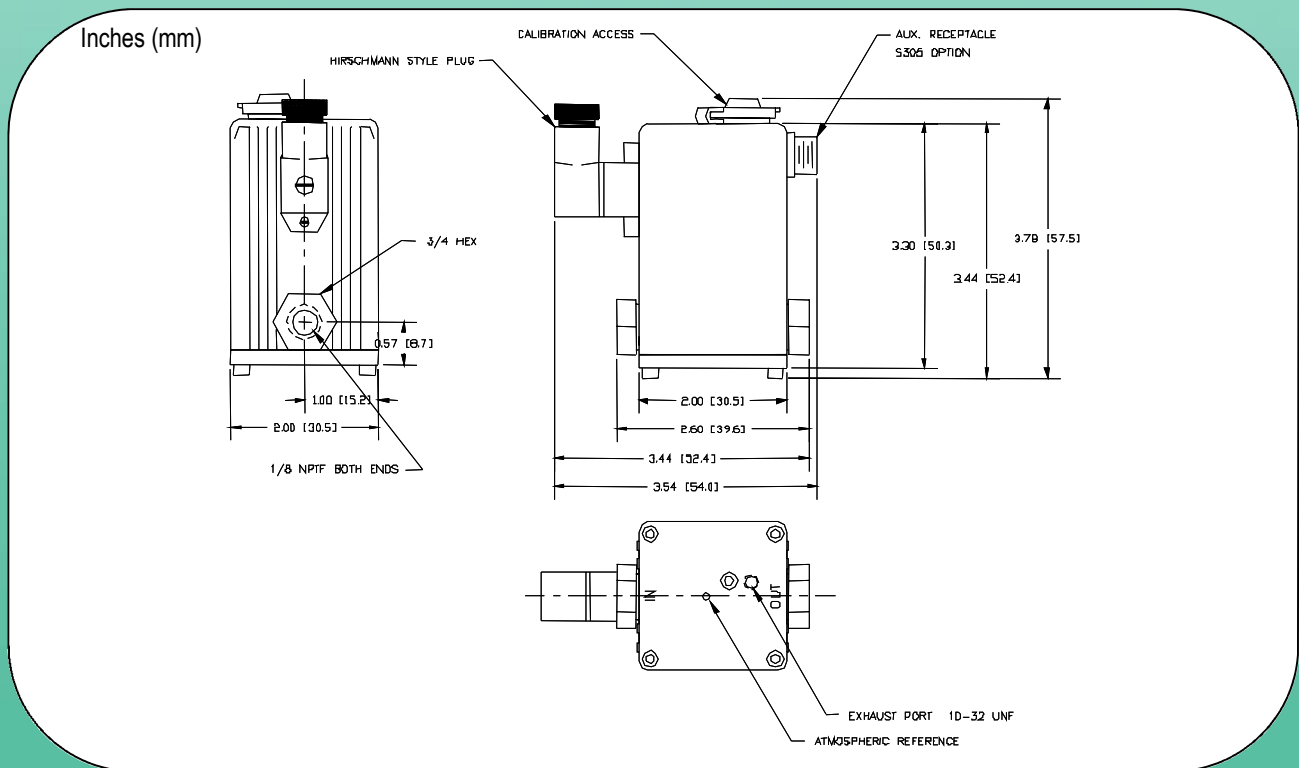
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## DIMENSIONS QBT

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- Precision pressure control vacuum to 500 psi (35 bar)

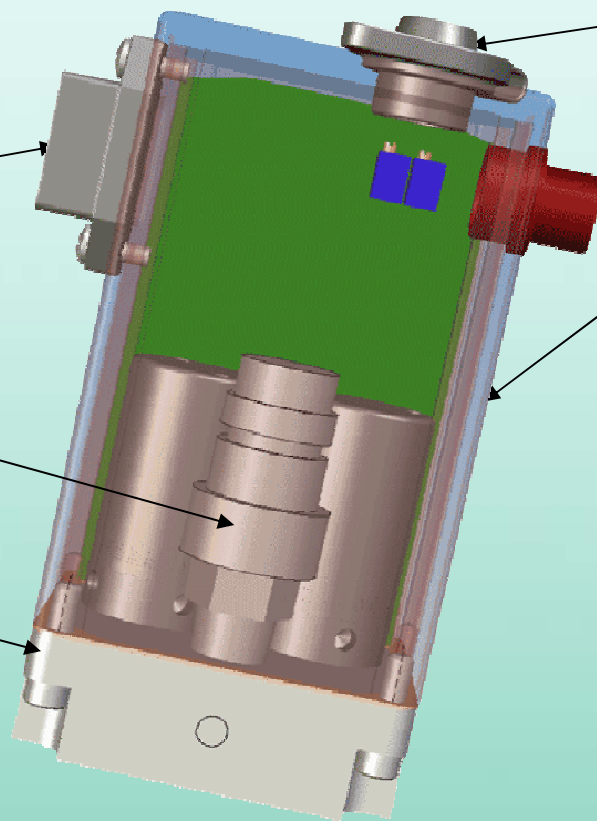
Available in a wide range of electrical control input and analog output

Internal stainless steel pressure sensor, that utilizes dry technology instead of liquid fill, is used for increased reliability and media compatibility

QBS available in anodized aluminum or stainless steel manifold which enhances media compatibility

- Two outlet ports which allows flexibility in mounting options.

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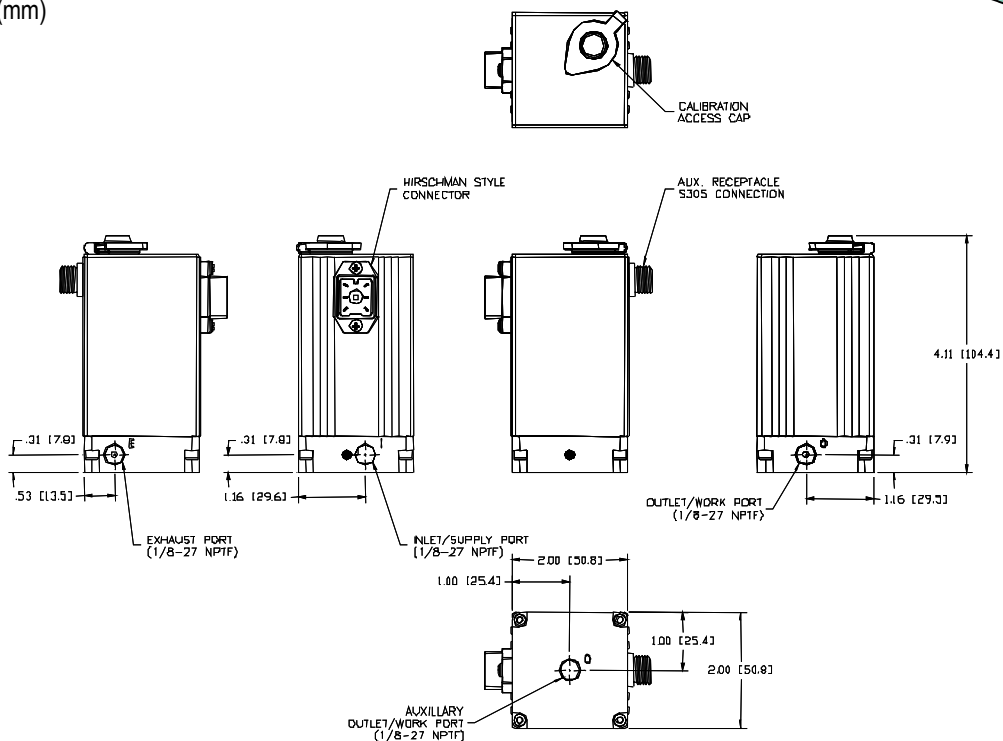
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Inches (mm)



## FUNCTIONAL DESCRIPTION

The QB Series uses Proportion-Air's patented technology for closed loop control. The QB Series valves can be built in either a single loop or double loop control scheme.

The QBT Series is used to control pressure of inert gases from full vacuum up to 300 psig (21 bar).

The QBS is used in applications where the maximum calibrated pressure ranges are between 300 and 500 psig (34 bar). The QBS Series can also be used in applications where the pressure ranges are below 300 psig (21 bar) if the wetted parts on the QBS are compatible with the media being controlled. The QBS Series uses a solid one piece manifold for added strength, available in anodized aluminum or stainless steel. There are two outlet ports which allows flexibility in mounting options. In all QBS models, a stainless steel pressure sensor that utilizes dry technology instead of liquid fill, is used internally for increased reliability and enhanced media compatibility.

### THEORY OF OPERATION

The QB1 is a single loop model consisting of valves, manifold, internal pressure transducer, and electronic controls. Output pressure is proportional to an electrical signal input. Pressure is controlled by two solenoid valves. One valve functions as the inlet control, the other as exhaust. The pressure output is measured by a pressure transducer internal to the QB1 and provides a feedback signal to the electronic controls. This feedback signal is compared against the command signal input. A difference between the two signals causes one of the solenoid valves to open allowing flow in or out of the system. Accurate pressure is maintained by controlling these two valves.

The QB2 is similar to the QB1 but uses a double loop control scheme. In addition to the internal pressure transducer, the QB2 also receives a feedback signal from an external sensing device. The external signal functions as the primary feedback signal which is compared against the command signal input. This outer loop comparison is then used to provide a command to the inner loop. A difference between the two comparisons causes one of the solenoid valves to open allowing flow in or out of the system.

Since the external feedback signal is electrical, control is not limited to pressure. Using other types of sensors allows control over parameters such as force, position, flow, etc. Usually in these applications the QB2 valve functions as pilot to a slave regulator controlling the end result. With a sensor providing system feedback, the package becomes a closed loop control system.

The QB control valve is specified as a stand alone valve in static applications with low flow requirements. It can also be used as a pilot to air piloted regulators (volume boosters) in applications where the flow rate of the controlled pressure is higher than QB's flow rate.

### COMMAND SIGNAL

Command inputs come in a choice of either a 0-10Vdc or 4-20mA.

### MONITOR SIGNAL

All QB's come with a 0-10 volt or an optional 4-20mA monitor signal for output to a panel meter or controller for data acquisition or quality assurance needs. On a QB1, the monitor signal represents the internal pressure transducer that is measuring the work pressure. On a QB2, the monitor signal represents the signal from the external sensor that is monitoring the output downstream.

## QB GENERAL SPECIFICATIONS & PERFORMANCE CHARACTERISTICS

| ELECTRICAL                 | MINIMUM  | TYPICAL                                  | MAXIMUM           |
|----------------------------|--|--|-------------------|
| Supply Voltage             | 15VDC  | -  | 24VDC             |
| Supply Current             | 100mADC  | -  | 250mADC           |
| Command Signal             |  |  |                   |
| Voltage                    | 0VDC   | -  | 10VDC             |
| Current                    | 4mADC  | -  | 20mADC            |
| Analog Monitor Output      |  |  |                   |
| Voltage                    | 0VDC   | -  | 10VDC             |
| Current                    | 4mADC  | -  | 20mADC            |
| Command Signal Impedance   |  |  |                   |
| Voltage                    | -  | 4.7 K $\Omega$                           | -                 |
| Current                    | -  | 100 $\Omega$                             | -                 |
| PNEUMATIC                  | MINIMUM  | TYPICAL                                  | MAXIMUM           |
| Inlet Pressure (1)         | Full Vacuum  | 110% of full scale calibration           | 550 psig (38 bar) |
| Pressure Range (2)         | Full Vacuum  | -  | 500 psig (34 bar) |
| Flow Rate(3)               | -  | 1.2 SCFM (34 l/min)@ 100 psig (6.89 bar) | -                 |
| Cv Capacity                | -  | 0.04                                     | -                 |
| Filtration Required        | 40 micron (actual)   | 20 micron                                | -                 |
| Accuracy                   |  |  |                   |
| QBT                        | $\pm 0.5\%$ F.S.   | $\pm 0.2\%$ F.S.                         | $\pm 0.1\%$ F.S.  |
| QBS                        | $\pm 0.75\%$ F.S.  | $\pm 0.5\%$ F.S.                         | $\pm 0.2\%$ F.S.  |
| Hysteresis                 |  |  |                   |
| QBT                        | $\pm 0.1\%$ F.S.   | $\pm 0.15\%$ F.S.                        | 0.25%F.S.         |
| QBS                        | $\pm 0.1\%$ F.S.   | $\pm 0.2\%$ F.S.                         | $\pm 0.5\%$ F.S.  |
| Repeatability              |  |  |                   |
| QBT                        | $\pm 0.05\%$ F.S.  | $\pm 0.02\%$ F.S.                        | -                 |
| QBS                        | $\pm 0.1\%$ F.S.   | $\pm 0.05\%$ F.S.                        | -                 |
| Port Size (all)            | -  | 1/8 inch NPT Female                      | -                 |
| Critical Volume            | -  | 1 in <sup>3</sup>                        | -                 |
| Wetted Parts               |  |  |                   |
| QBT                        | Fluorocarbon, Brass, Nickle Plated Brass , Silicon, Aluminum                       |  |                   |
| QBSA                       | Anodized Aluminum, Nickel Plated brass, 303, 316, or 17-4 Stainless Steel & Viton™ |  |                   |
| QBSS                       | Viton™, 303 and 430 FR, and either 316 or 17-4 Stainless Steel                     |  |                   |
| PHYSICAL                   | MINIMUM  | TYPICAL                                  | MAXIMUM           |
| Operating Temperature      | 32°F (0°C)   | -  | 158°F (70°C)      |
| Environment Protection (4) | -  | NEMA 4/IP65                              | -                 |
| Weight                     |  |  |                   |
| QBT                        | -  | 1.1 lbs (0.5 kg)                         | -                 |
| QBSA                       | -  | 1.0 lbs (0.45 kg)                        | -                 |
| QBSS                       | -  | 1.4 lbs (0.64 kg)                        | -                 |
| Electrical Connector       | -  | 6 pin Hirschman Connector                | -                 |

(1) See "Inlet Pressure Rating" table on page 6.

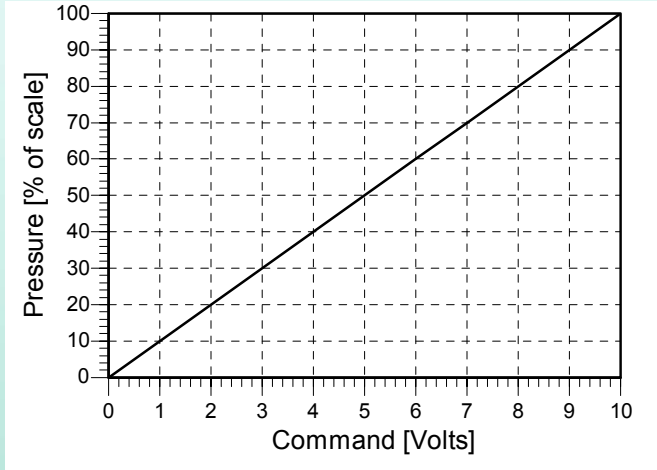
(2) Pressure ranges are customer specified. QBT is available with maximum calibrated range of 300 psig (21 bar).  
QBS is available with maximum calibrated range of 500 psig (34 bar).

(3) Consult factory for higher and lower flow rates options.

(4) CE approved

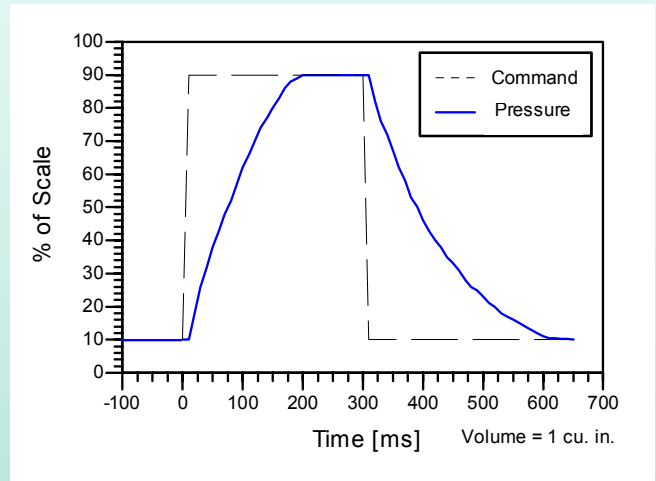
# PERFORMANCE CHARACTERISTICS

## LINEARITY



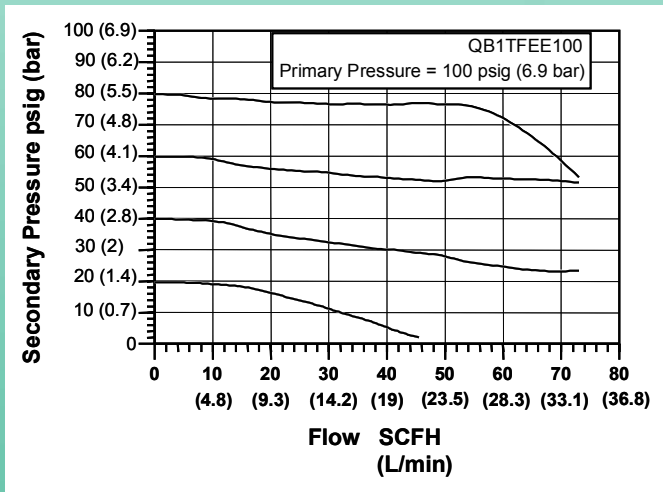
This chart shows the linear characteristics of QB products when given a ramp signal from 0-10 volts. Characteristics would be similar for 4-20 mA units.

## RESPONSE TO STEP INPUT



Times for QB to fill/exhaust a closed chamber. Step command signal is superimposed over pressure trace. Time is determined by the difference between command signal and pressure achieved.

## FLOW CHARACTERISTICS

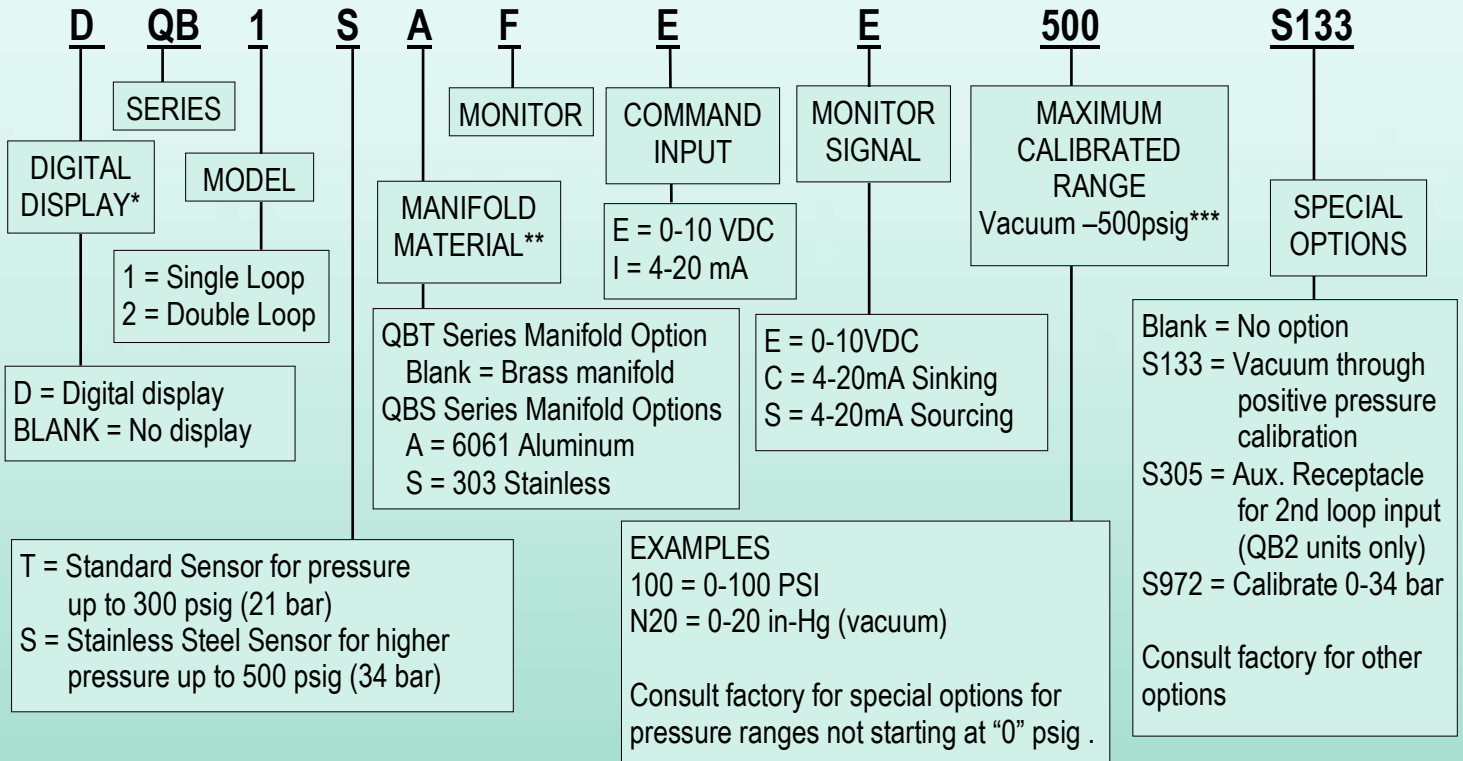


Regulating characteristics of a QB from no flow condition to full flow. To use, choose pressure setting from left end of chart at no flow conditions. Follow curve out until drop begins to occur. Read flow from bottom.

## INLET PRESSURE RATING

| For QB valve that is ordered with maximum calibrated pressure of: | Maximum inlet pressure is: |
|---|----------------------------|
| Vacuum up to 10 psig (0.7 bar)                                    | Consult factory            |
| 11 to 20 psig (0.8 to 1.4 bar)                                    | 35 psig (2.4 bar)          |
| 21 to 44 psig (1.5 to 3 bar)                                      | 55 psig (3.8 bar)          |
| 45 to 100 psig (3.1 to 6.9 bar)                                   | 110 psig (7.6 bar)         |
| 101 to 200 psig (7 to 13.8 bar)                                   | 220 psig (15.2 bar)        |
| 201 to 300 psig (13.9 to 20.7 bar)                                | 330 psig (22.8 bar)        |
| 301 to 500 psig (20.8 to 34 bar)                                  | 550 psig (37.9 bar)        |

## ORDERING INFORMATION



\*Digital display is available on QBT Series only. It is not available on QBS Series  
 \*\* Consult factory for other manifold options on the QBT Series  
 \*\*\* QBT available for pressure ranges up to 300 psig (21 bar). QBS is available for pressure ranges up to 500 psig (34 bar).

## ACCESSORIES

### PRE-ASSEMBLED POWER CORD

QBT-C-6

### MOUNTING BRACKETS

QBT-01

QBT-02

Length in feet  
 (Other lengths are available from 1 to 25 feet (8 meter), in 1 foot increment)

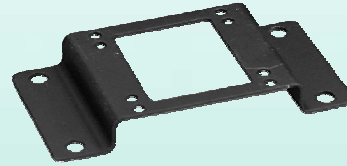
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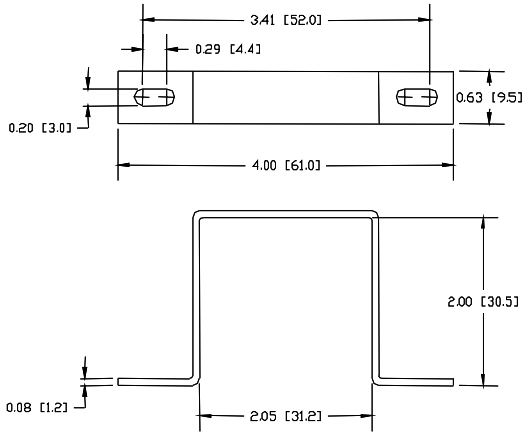
**QBT-01 Bracket**



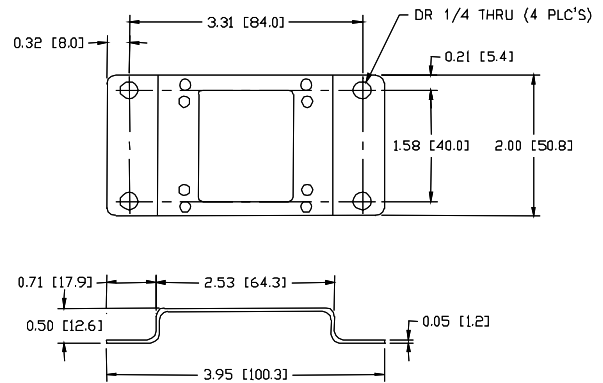
**QBT-02 Bracket**



Inches (mm)



Inches (mm)



**QBT Power Cord**



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