

Sample gas filter

AGF-FE-1, AGF-FE-2

Installation and Operation Instructions

Original instructions





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Read this instruction carefully prior to installation and/or use. Pay attention particularly to all advises and safety instructions to prevent injuries. Bühler Technologies can not be held responsible for misusing the product or unreliable function due to unauthorised modifications.

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1 Introduction

1.1 Intended Use

AGF-FE filters were designed specifically for front panel installation in analyzers or systems. All types can be used for filtering sample gas.

Please note the specifications in the data sheets on the specific intended use, existing material combinations, as well as pressure- and temperature limits.

1.2 Design types

If a filter type has special features, these are described separately in the operating manual. When connecting, please note the specific values of the filter, and the correct version when ordering spare parts.

Please refer to the nameplate to identify your model. In addition to the job number it also contains the item number and model designation.

Filter type	Description
AGF-FE-1	PC/Viton filter; Fibreglass filter element
AGF-FE-1-T	PC/Viton filter; PTFE filter element
AGF-FE-2	PVDF/stainless steel filter; Fibreglass filter element

Tab. 1: Filter type overview

1.3 Scope of delivery

- 1 x Filter
- Product documentation

2 Safety instructions

2.1 Important notices

Operation of the device is only permitted if:

- the product is used under the conditions described in the installation- and operation instruction, the intended application according to the type plate and the intended use. In case of unauthorized modifications done by the user Bühler Technologies GmbH can not be held responsible for any damage,
- when complying with the specifications and markings on the nameplates.
- the performance limits given in the datasheets and in the installation- and operation instruction are obeyed,
- monitoring devices and safety devices are installed properly,
- service and repair is carried out by Bühler Technologies GmbH,
- only original spare parts are used.

This manual is part of the equipment. The manufacturer keeps the right to modify specifications without advanced notice. Keep this manual for later use.

Signal words for warnings

DANGER	Signal word for an imminent danger with high risk, resulting in severe injuries or death if not avoided.
WARNING	Signal word for a hazardous situation with medium risk, possibly resulting in severe injuries or death if not avoided.
CAUTION	Signal word for a hazardous situation with low risk, resulting in damaged to the device or the property or minor or medium injuries if not avoided.
NOTICE	Signal word for important information to the product.

Warning signs

These instructions use the following warning signs:

	Warns of a general hazard		General information
	Warns not to inhale toxic gasses		Wear respiratory equipment
	Warns of corrosive liquids		Wear a safety mask
	Warns of explosive areas		Wear gloves

2.2 General hazard warnings

The equipment must be installed by a professional familiar with the safety requirements and risks.

Be sure to observe the safety regulations and generally applicable rules of technology relevant for the installation site. Prevent malfunctions and avoid personal injuries and property damage.

The operator of the system must ensure:

- Safety notices and operating instructions are available and observed,
- The respective national accident prevention regulations are observed,
- The permissible data and operational conditions are maintained,
- Safety guards are used and mandatory maintenance is performed,
- Legal regulations are observed during disposal,
- compliance with national installation regulations.

Maintenance, Repair

Please note during maintenance and repairs:

- Repairs to the unit must be performed by Bühler authorised personnel.
- Only perform conversion-, maintenance or installation work described in these operating and installation instructions.
- Always use genuine spare parts.
- Do not install damaged or defective spare part. If necessary, visually inspect prior to installation to determine any obvious damage to the spare parts.

Always observe the applicable safety and operating regulations in the respective country of use when performing any type of maintenance.

DANGER	Toxic, corrosive gases
 	<p>The measuring gas led through the equipment can be hazardous when breathing or touching it.</p> <p>a) Check tightness of the measuring system before putting it into operation.</p> <p>b) Take care that harmful gases are exhausted to a save place.</p> <p>c) Before maintenance turn off the gas supply and make sure that it cannot be turned on unintentionally.</p> <p>d) Protect yourself during maintenance against toxic / corrosive gases. Use suitable protective equipment.</p> <div style="text-align: right; margin-top: 20px;">    </div>

3 Transport and storage

The device should be only transported in the original case or in appropriate packing.

If the device is not used for some time, protect it against heat and humidity. Store the device in a roofed, dry, and dust free room. Temperature should be between -20 °C and 40 °C (-4 °F and 104 °F).

4 Installation and connection

4.1 Requirements to the installation site

The front plate has to be prepared according to the drawings in the data sheets.

The filter should be installed in a way so the filter element can be replaced. If the filter protrudes from a contour, please note this poses a risk of damage.

The Maximum pressure is 2 bar (29 psi).

4.2 Connecting the gas lines

The connections must be made carefully and properly using suitable fittings.

Please check if your version has G-threads or NPT threads. On the latter, the item number on the nameplate is followed by "I".

An arrow on the filter indicates the flow direction.

The hoses are only slipped on and must be secured in the event of overpressure.

Perform a leak test with suitable means.

5 Operation and control

NOTICE



The device must not be operated beyond its specifications.

6 Maintenance

During maintenance, remember:

- The equipment must be maintained by a professional familiar with the safety requirements and risks.
- Only perform maintenance work described in these operating and installation instructions.
- Observe the respective safety regulations and operating specifications when performing any type of maintenance.
- Always use genuine spare parts.
- Only perform maintenance when cool.

DANGER

The gas inside the filter, condensate and used filter elements may be caustic or corrosive.

Sample gas can be harmful.

- a) Before maintenance turn off the gas supply and surge with air if necessary.
- b) Exhaust sample gas to a safe place.
- c) Protect yourself against toxic / corrosive gas during maintenance. Wear appropriate personal protection equipment.



6.1 Replacing the filter element

CAUTION

Gas leakage



The filter should not be dismantled under pressure.
Don't use damaged parts again.

- Twist off the filter cover counter-clockwise.
- Remove the filter element and insert a new one.
- Check for leaks and replace, if necessary.
- Twist on filter cover clockwise and tighten hand-tight.
- Perform a leak test with suitable means.

NOTICE! Please observe legal regulations when disposing of filter elements.

7 Service and repair

This chapter contains information on troubleshooting and correction should an error occur during operation.

Repairs to the unit must be performed by Bühler authorised personnel.

Please contact our Service Department with any questions:

Tel.: +49-(0)2102-498955 or your agent

For further information about our services and customised maintenance visit <http://www.buehler-technologies.com/service>.

If the equipment is not functioning properly after correcting any malfunctions and switching on the power, it must be inspected by the manufacturer. Please send the equipment inside suitable packaging to:

Bühler Technologies GmbH

- Reparatur/Service -

Harkortstraße 29

40880 Ratingen

Germany

Please also attach the completed and signed RMA decontamination statement to the packaging. We will otherwise be unable to process your repair order.

You will find the form in the appendix of these instructions, or simply request it by e-mail:

service@buehler-technologies.com.

7.1 Spare parts

Please also specify the model and serial number when ordering parts.

Upgrade and expansion parts can be found in our catalog.

Available spare parts:

Filter including filter element

Item no.	Model
41159991	AGF-FE-1
41158991	AGF-FE-1-T
4115099	AGF-FE-2
9009162	O-ring for model FE-E1/FE-1-T
4128011	O-ring for model FE-E2

Filter elements

Item no.	Model	for filter model	Packing unit
41150010	FE-E1	AGF-FE-1	5 pieces
41150090	FE-1-T	AGF-FE-1-T	5 pieces
411509910	FE-E2	AGF-FE-2	5 pieces

8 Disposal

The applicable national laws must be observed when disposing of the products. Disposal must not result in a danger to health and environment.

The crossed out wheelie bin symbol on Bühler Technologies GmbH electrical and electronic products indicates special disposal notices within the European Union (EU).



The crossed out wheelie bin symbol indicates the electric and electronic products bearing the symbol must be disposed of separate from household waste. They must be properly disposed of as waste electrical and electronic equipment.

Bühler Technologies GmbH will gladly dispose of your device bearing this mark. Please send your device to the address below for this purpose.

We are obligated by law to protect our employees from hazards posed by contaminated devices. Therefore please understand that we can only dispose of your waste equipment if the device is free from any aggressive, corrosive or other operating fluids dangerous to health or environment. **Please complete the "RMA Form and Decontamination Statement", available on our website, for every waste electrical and electronic equipment. The form must be applied to the packaging so it is visible from the outside.**

Please return waste electrical and electronic equipment to the following address:

Bühler Technologies GmbH
WEEE
Harkortstr. 29
40880 Ratingen
Germany

Please also observe data protection regulations and remember you are personally responsible for the returned waste equipment not bearing any personal data. Therefore please be sure to delete your personal data before returning your waste equipment.

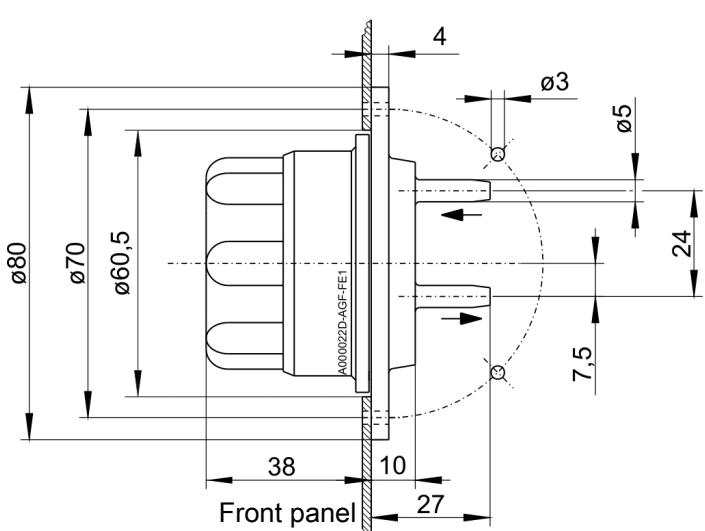
9 Appendices

9.1 Technical Data

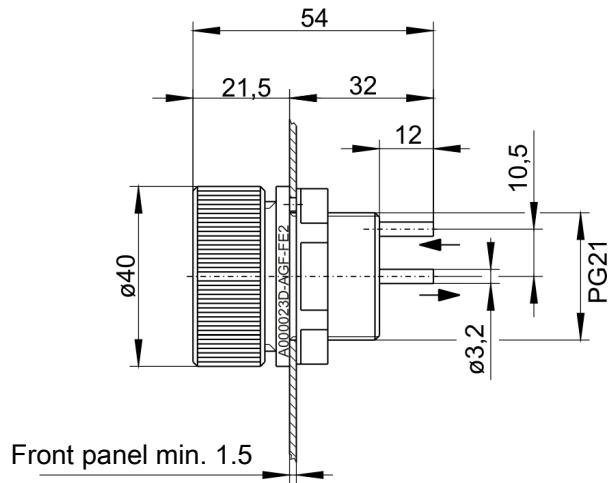
Built-in filter	AGF-FE-1	AGF-FE-1-T	AGF-FE-2
Filter surface	40 cm ²	40 cm ²	13 cm ²
Filter fineness	2 µm	2 µm	8 µm
Dead volume	25 ml	25 ml	6 ml
Material - filter housing	PC	PC	PVDF / 1.4571
Material - gasket	Viton	Viton	Viton
Material - filter element	Fibreglass / epoxy resin	PTFE	Fibreglass / epoxy resin
Connections	DN 4/6	DN 4/6	DN 2/4
Operating pressure max.	2 bar	2 bar	2 bar
Medium temperature	max. +80 °C	max. +80 °C	max. +80 °C

9.2 Dimensions

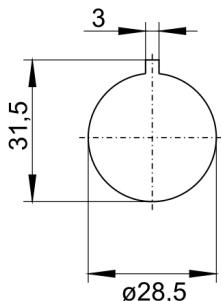
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AGF-FE-2



Installation diagram



10 Attached documents

- RMA - Decontamination Statement

RMA-Formular und Erklärung über Dekontaminierung

RMA-Form and explanation for decontamination

RMA-Nr./ RMA-No.



Die RMA-Nr. bekommen Sie von Ihrem Ansprechpartner im Vertrieb oder Service. Bei Rücksendung eines Altgeräts zur Entsorgung tragen Sie bitte in das Feld der RMA-Nr. "WEEE" ein./ You may obtain the RMA number from your sales or service representative. When returning an old appliance for disposal, please enter "WEEE" in the RMA number box.

Zu diesem Rücksendeschein gehört eine Dekontaminierungserklärung. Die gesetzlichen Vorschriften schreiben vor, dass Sie uns diese Dekontaminierungserklärung ausgefüllt und unterschrieben zurücksenden müssen. Bitte füllen Sie auch diese im Sinne der Gesundheit unserer Mitarbeiter vollständig aus./ This return form includes a decontamination statement. The law requires you to submit this completed and signed decontamination statement to us. Please complete the entire form, also in the interest of our employee health.

Firma/ Company

Firma/ Company

Straße/ Street

PLZ, Ort/ Zip, City

Land/ Country

Gerät/ Device

Anzahl/ Quantity

Auftragsnr./ Order No.

Ansprechpartner/ Person in charge

Name/ Name

Abt./ Dept.

Tel./ Phone

E-Mail

Serien-Nr./ Serial No.

Artikel-Nr./ Item No.

Grund der Rücksendung/ Reason for return

- Kalibrierung/ Calibration Modifikation/ Modification
 Reklamation/ Claim Reparatur/ Repair
 Elektroaltgerät/ Waste Electrical & Electronic Equipment (WEEE)
 andere/ other

bitte spezifizieren/ please specify

Ist das Gerät möglicherweise kontaminiert?/ Could the equipment be contaminated?

- Nein, da das Gerät nicht mit gesundheitsgefährdenden Stoffen betrieben wurde./ No, because the device was not operated with hazardous substances.
 Nein, da das Gerät ordnungsgemäß gereinigt und dekontaminiert wurde./ No, because the device has been properly cleaned and decontaminated.
 Ja, kontaminiert mit:/ Yes, contaminated with:



explosiv/
explosive



entzündlich/
flammable



brandfördernd/
oxidizing



komprimierte
Gase/
compressed
gases



ätzend/
caustic



giftig,
Lebensgefahr/
poisonous, risk
of death



gesundheitsge-
fährdend/
harmful to
health



gesund-
heitsschädlich/
health hazard



umweltge-
fährdend/
environmental
hazard

Bitte Sicherheitsdatenblatt beilegen!/ Please enclose safety data sheet!

Das Gerät wurde gespült mit:/ The equipment was purged with:

Diese Erklärung wurde korrekt und vollständig ausgefüllt und von einer dazu befugten Person unterschrieben. Der Versand der (dekontaminierten) Geräte und Komponenten erfolgt gemäß den gesetzlichen Bestimmungen.

Falls die Ware nicht gereinigt, also kontaminiert bei uns eintrifft, muss die Firma Bühler sich vorbehalten, diese durch einen externen Dienstleister reinigen zu lassen und Ihnen dies in Rechnung zu stellen.

Firmenstempel/ Company Sign

This declaration has been filled out correctly and completely, and signed by an authorized person. The dispatch of the (decontaminated) devices and components takes place according to the legal regulations.

Should the goods not arrive clean, but contaminated, Bühler reserves the right, to commission an external service provider to clean the goods and invoice it to your account.

Datum/ Date

rechtsverbindliche Unterschrift/ Legally binding signature

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Dekontaminierungserklärung

Vermeiden von Veränderung und Beschädigung der einzusendenden Baugruppe

Die Analyse defekter Baugruppen ist ein wesentlicher Bestandteil der Qualitätssicherung der Firma Bühler Technologies GmbH. Um eine aussagekräftige Analyse zu gewährleisten muss die Ware möglichst unverändert untersucht werden. Es dürfen keine Veränderungen oder weitere Beschädigungen auftreten, die Ursachen verdecken oder eine Analyse unmöglich machen.

Umgang mit elektrostatisch sensiblen Baugruppen

Bei elektronischen Baugruppen kann es sich um elektrostatisch sensible Baugruppen handeln. Es ist darauf zu achten, diese Baugruppen ESD-gerecht zu behandeln. Nach Möglichkeit sollten die Baugruppen an einem ESD-gerechten Arbeitsplatz getauscht werden. Ist dies nicht möglich sollten ESD-gerechte Maßnahmen beim Austausch getroffen werden. Der Transport darf nur in ESD-gerechten Behältnissen durchgeführt werden. Die Verpackung der Baugruppen muss ESD-konform sein. Verwenden Sie nach Möglichkeit die Verpackung des Ersatzteils oder wählen Sie selber eine ESD-gerechte Verpackung.

Einbau von Ersatzteilen

Beachten Sie beim Einbau des Ersatzteils die gleichen Vorgaben wie oben beschrieben. Achten Sie auf die ordnungsgemäße Montage des Bauteils und aller Komponenten. Versetzen Sie vor der Inbetriebnahme die Verkabelung wieder in den ursprünglichen Zustand. Fragen Sie im Zweifel beim Hersteller nach weiteren Informationen.

Einsenden von Elektroaltgeräten zur Entsorgung

Wollen Sie ein von Bühler Technologies GmbH stammendes Elektroprodukt zur fachgerechten Entsorgung einsenden, dann tragen Sie bitte in das Feld der RMA-Nr. „WEEE“ ein. Legen Sie dem Altgerät die vollständig ausgefüllte Dekontaminierungserklärung für den Transport von außen sichtbar bei. Weitere Informationen zur Entsorgung von Elektroaltgeräten finden Sie auf der Webseite unseres Unternehmens.

Avoiding alterations and damage to the components to be returned

Analysing defective assemblies is an essential part of quality assurance at Bühler Technologies GmbH. To ensure conclusive analysis the goods must be inspected unaltered, if possible. Modifications or other damages which may hide the cause or render it impossible to analyse are prohibited.

Handling electrostatically conductive components

Electronic assemblies may be sensitive to static electricity. Be sure to handle these assemblies in an ESD-safe manner. Where possible, the assemblies should be replaced in an ESD-safe location. If unable to do so, take ESD-safe precautions when replacing these. Must be transported in ESD-safe containers. The packaging of the assemblies must be ESD-safe. If possible, use the packaging of the spare part or use ESD-safe packaging.

Fitting of spare parts

Observe the above specifications when installing the spare part. Ensure the part and all components are properly installed. Return the cables to the original state before putting into service. When in doubt, contact the manufacturer for additional information.

Returning old electrical appliances for disposal

If you wish to return an electrical product from Bühler Technologies GmbH for proper disposal, please enter "WEEE" in the RMA number box. Please attach the fully completed decontamination declaration form for transport to the old appliance so that it is visible from the outside. You can find more information on the disposal of old electrical appliances on our company's website.

