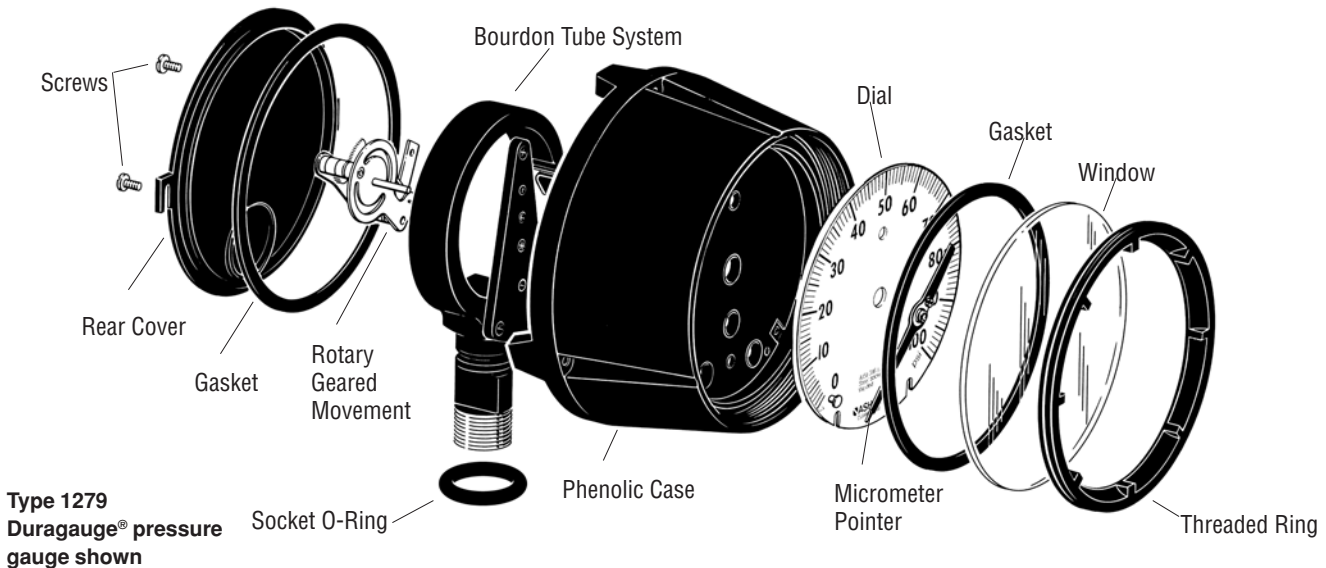




## Product Selection Information

Consult ASME B40.1 for guidance in gauge selection



**Type 1279**  
**Duragauge® pressure**  
**gauge shown**

**WARNING:** Pressure gauges should be selected by considering media and ambient operating conditions to prevent misapplication. Improper application can be detrimental to the gauge, causing failure and possible personal injury or property damage. The information contained in this catalog is offered as a guide to assist in making the proper selection of a pressure gauge. For additional information contact the factory.

**Pressure Ranges:** Select a gauge with a full-scale pressure range of approximately twice the normal operating pressure. The maximum operating pressure should not exceed 75% of the full-scale range. Failure to select a gauge within these criteria may ultimately result in fatigue failure of the Bourdon tube.

**Operating Conditions:** The operating conditions to which a gauge will be subjected must be considered. If the gauge will be subjected to severe vibrations or pressure pulsation, liquid-filling the gauge or the *PLUS!*™ option may be necessary to obtain normal product life. Other than discoloration of the dial and hardening of the gasketing that may occur as ambient temperatures exceed 150°F, non liquid-filled Type 1279 (phenolic case), 1377 and 1379 (aluminum case) Duragauge® gauges with standard glass windows, can withstand continuous operating temperatures up to 250°F. Liquid-filled gauges can withstand 200°F but glycerin fill and acrylic window will tend to yellow. Accuracy will be affected by approximately 1.5% per 100°F. Gauges with welded joints will withstand 750°F (450°F with silver brazed joints) for short times without rupture, although other

parts of the gauge will be destroyed and calibration will be lost. Proper selection of the Bourdon system material is dependent on the process fluid to which the system will be subjected. If the correct material is not available, the use of a diaphragm seal may be necessary to protect the system from the process fluid. Liquid-filled gauges are recommended for the discharge side of positive displacement pumps.

**Cases:** Many styles and different materials are offered. Two types are available, open and solid front. Solid front cases have a solid wall between the Bourdon tube and the window. Open-front cases have the dial between the Bourdon tube and the window.

**Rings:** The ring, which retains the window, is threaded, bayonet (cam), friction, snap-on or hinged, depending upon case type.

**Pressure Elements:** Available in a wide variety of materials, including: brass, phosphor bronze, alloy steel, 316 stainless steel, Monel and Inconel. Proper selection of the Bourdon system or bellows material depends upon the process fluid to which the system will be subjected. If the correct material is not available, the use of a diaphragm seal may be necessary to protect the system from the process fluid. If the gauge is subject to severe vibration or pressure pulsation, a liquid-filled gauge is recommended.

**Duragauge® PLUS!™ Pressure Gauge:** An exclusive, new, optional feature provides virtually liquid-filled performance in a dry gauge. The *PLUS!*™ Performance feature is a patented design incorporated into the

industry-standard Ashcroft pressure gauge. *PLUS!*™ is available in any Duragauge® gauge case style material or range. Historically, pulsation and vibration have reduced gauge life and made gauges difficult to read. Customers have had no alternative to liquid-filled gauges to solve vibration and pulsation problems, until now!

**Movements:** Movements are designed and materials of construction selected to reduce friction and extend wear life. For example, commercial gauges have the unique PowerFlex™ brass movement with polyester segment, whereas the stainless steel movement of the Duragauge® gauge is a rotary-gear design with Teflon-coated wear parts. Other movements are stainless steel with bronze pinion and segment or bronze bushed.

**Dials:** Dials are uniformly graduated and have highly legible black markings. White-coated or brushed aluminum backgrounds are available.

**Windows:** The standard is glass or plastic depending on the type of the gauge. Options are laminated safety glass, nonglare glass or plastic, depending on the type of gauge.

**Pointers:** Duragauge® pressure gauges have micrometer adjustable pointers which can be repositioned without removal. Type 1009 gauges have adjustable pointers. Many other gauges are supplied with nonadjustable pointers which can be reset by removing the ring, and removing and resetting the pointer. Adjustable pointers are available as an option on these gauges.

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**Duragauge® Pressure Gauge**  
**Type 1279, ASME B 40.1**  
**Grade 2A (±0.5% of span)**

- 4 1/2" full-size Bourdon tube
- Patented Duratube™ with as-welded-tube construction controls stress for longer life
- "Round Cap Tip" construction lowers stresses for longer life
- Easily adjustable, self-locking micrometer pointer
- Burn-resistant phenol turret case
- Exclusive Teflon coated 400 series stainless steel rotary movement for longer life
- PLUS!™ Performance Option:
  - Liquid-filled performance in a dry gauge
  - Fights vibration and pulsations without liquid-filled headaches

- See pages 6-7 for details
- Order as option XLL
- Epoxy-coated system for superior corrosion resistance

Type 1279 Duragauge® pressure gauge is offered in 4 1/2" phenolic case for superior chemical and heat resistance. Solid-front case design with blow-out back for safety. Dry, liquid-filled, hermetically sealed, weatherproof or **PLUS!™** options available. Field convertible to liquid-fill with conversion kit (detailed on page 247). All case styles provide full temperature compensation.



#### BOURDON SYSTEM SELECTION

Ordering Code	Bourdon Tube & Tip Material <sup>(1)</sup> (all joints TIG welded except "A")	Socket Material	Tube Type	Range Selection Limits (psi)	NPT Conn. <sup>(2)</sup>
A	Phosphor Bronze Tube-Brass Tip, Silver Braze	Brass	C-Tube	12/1000	1/4, 1/2
R	316L stainless steel	1019 steel	C-Tube	12/1500	1/4, 1/2
			Helical	2000/20,000	1/4, 1/2
S	316L stainless steel	316L stainless steel	C-Tube	12/1500	1/4, 1/2
			Helical	2000/20,000	1/4, 1/2
P <sup>(3)</sup>	K Monel	Monel 400	C-Tube	15/1500	1/4, 1/2
			Helical	2000/30,000	1/4, 1/2 <sup>(4)</sup>

- (1) For selection of the correct Bourdon system material, see the media application table on page 253.  
 (2) Other connections available on application.  
 (3) Use for applications where NACE standard MR-01-75 is specified.  
 (4) 30,000 psi range supplied with 1/4 high pressure connection, 1/2 NPT optional.

#### STANDARD RANGES

Pressure psi	Compound psi
0/15	30 in.Hg/15 psi
0/30	30 in.Hg/30 psi
0/60	30 in.Hg/60 psi
0/100	30 in.Hg/100 psi
0/160	30 in.Hg/150 psi
0/200	30 in.Hg/300 psi
0/300	
0/400	<b>Vacuum</b>
0/600	30/0 in.Hg
0/800	34/0 ftH <sub>2</sub> O
0/1000	
0/1500	
0/2000	
0/3000	
0/5000	
0/10,000	
0/20,000	
0/30,000	

**NOTE:**  
 Equivalent standard kg/cm<sup>2</sup>, and kPa metric ranges are available.

#### TO ORDER THIS 1279 DURAGAUGE:

Select: \_\_\_\_\_ 45 \_\_\_\_\_ 1279 \_\_\_\_\_ SS\* \_\_\_\_\_ 04L \_\_\_\_\_ XXX \_\_\_\_\_ 2000#

1. Dial size—4 1/2" \_\_\_\_\_

2. Case type—1279 \_\_\_\_\_  
 Ring-threaded reinforced polypropylene

3. Bourdon system selection ordering code \_\_\_\_\_

4. Connection—1/4 NPT (02), 1/2 NPT (04), Lower (L), Back (B) \_\_\_\_\_

5. Optional features—see page 249 \_\_\_\_\_

6. Standard pressure range \_\_\_\_\_

7. Accessories—see pages 243-248 \_\_\_\_\_

(\*) "S" denotes solid front case design

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