Controller Basics

EC-2 Backwash Controllers are designed to monitor and activate a cleaning cycle for a single filter or two filters in parallel. The controller allows the user to adjust the flush duration, dwell time between backwashes, and the specified periodic backwash. Other features include manual start, counter reset, and alarm reset.

The controller receives an open/closed signal via terminals P and D. This signal is from the differential pressure gauge, and means that the gauge has reached a preset value. Reaching the preset value (usually 7 psid) tells the controller that debris has collected on the screen element, and that an automatic backwash will activate.

When a closed signal is sensed on terminals P and D for a 5 second period, the backwash sequence begins. The backwash sequence is: terminal 1 energizes for the flush duration, then an idle period for the dwell duration, and then terminal 2 energizes for the flush duration. Terminals C and M energize for entire sequence.

Installing a surge protector prior to the transformer is highly recommended to prevent damage to the equipment.
Functions

1. Step-down Transformer. Converts 115 or 230 VAC to 24 VAC. Installing a surge protector is strongly advised to prevent damage to the transformer and controller.
2. Power. Controls power to the controller board.
3. Alarm Reset. Hold down for 1 second (while idle) to disable alarm output signal.
4. Counter Reset. Hold down for 1 second (while idle) to reset backwash counter.
6. PD. Closed contact sensed between terminals P and D.
7. Dwell. When lit, the backwash sequence is in a dwell state.
8. 1. Terminal 1 currently energized.
9. 2. Terminal 2 currently energized.
10. Alarm. Three consecutive backwashes without relieving differential pressure.
11. Backwash Counter. Displays the number of backwashes.
13. Flush. Duration of each flush cycle.
14. Dwell. Time idle between terminals 1 and 2 in the backwash sequence.

TERMINALS
R(left). Red Lead - 24VAC from transformer.
W. White Lead - 24VAC from transformer.
R(right). Red & White Lead- 24VAC from transformer.
C. Common - Energizes for entire backwash sequence.
1. Terminal 1 - Energizes for first half of backwash sequence.
2. Terminal 2 - Energizes for second half of backwash sequence.
M. Master Terminal - Energizes for entire backwash sequence.
A. Alarm - Energizes when three consecutive cycles do not eliminate the PD signal.
P. One leg of the open/closed signal from the differential pressure gauge.
D. One leg of the open/closed signal from the differential pressure gauge.
Basic 90 Series Installation

Valve Connections
- Red — R (left)
- Black — R (right)
- White — 1

Bypass Valve

FLUSH INLET OUTLET

Differential Pressure Gauge

Isolation Valve

Filter

Isolation Valve

Bypass Valve

INLET
Warranty

Forsta Filters guarantees all self cleaning water filters, components, and accessories free of defects for one year from the date of installation, or 18 months from the date of original shipment. Forsta will replace any part found defective during the warranty period, provided the equipment in question was handled, installed, and operated in accordance with the operation and maintenance manual and sound engineering practices. Forsta Filters assumes no liability for incidental or consequential damage resulting from the use of its products, services, or data. Liability is limited to replacement or repair of products provided by Forsta Filters, and no agent or sales representative has authority to extend the warranty period without the express written consent of Forsta Filters, Inc. Shipping charges for returned equipment will be at the expense of the purchaser, and all returned equipment must be sent to Forsta Filters.