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HYDRAULIC REVERSIBLE PROPELLER GOVERNOR**

**P-9( )-( ) series**

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INSTALLATION- AND OPERATION MANUAL**

**1.0 GENERAL**

The P-9( )-( ) hydraulic propeller governor is a single acting governor developed for hydraulically variable pitch propellers with reverse and feathering, produced by AVIA Propeller for MT-Propeller, Straubing. See fig. 1/fig. 1.1.

DESIGNATION:

P-9( )-( )  
a b a = Drawing No.  
b = Application No. (Engine/Aircraft combination)

S/No. 04 G 003  
a b a = Year of Manufacture  
G = governor  
b = consecutive No.

**2.0 DESIGN INFORMATION**

Also refer to fig. 2, 3, 4, and 5

The governor is a dual pressure single acting system. It is designed for oil pressure to decrease pitch. The governor has one relief valve with pressure settings. The low pressure setting is for normal operation and the high pressure relief valve setting is for reverse/beta range.

In low pressure operation the necessary increase of the engine oil pressure is assured by a gear pump in the governor, which increases the oil servo pressure. Flyweights and a speeder spring move a pilot valve, allowing servo oil to flow to or from the piston in the propeller. In "on-condition" there is no oil flow.

A speed adjusting lever changes the pre-load of the speeder spring. This results in an engine/propeller speed change.

The high pressure mode is activated via a magnetic beta valve, which is installed on the governor. In this condition the pressure rises up approx. twice and pushes the blades into full reverse. During high pressure mode the propeller rpm is not controlled by the governor because the constant speed section is cut out. The negative thrust is set by increasing and decreasing the engine power (rpm).

After the electric signal is switched off, the governor returns into normal operation pressure mode for constant speed operation.

The governor contains a gear pump, a relief valve, a pilot valve, flyweights, the beta valve and a solenoid valve.

The flange type of the governor is in accordance with ADN 20010 standard, refer also to fig. 5. The solenoid valve is installed on the top of the governor. The solenoid valve controls the beta valve, which changes from low pressure to high pressure mode via an electric signal, which is produced by a switch inside the cockpit. If the high pressure mode is selected, the pilot valve is inoperative.

The control lever is installed on the head of the governor, its angular position can be changed by turning the cover assembly.

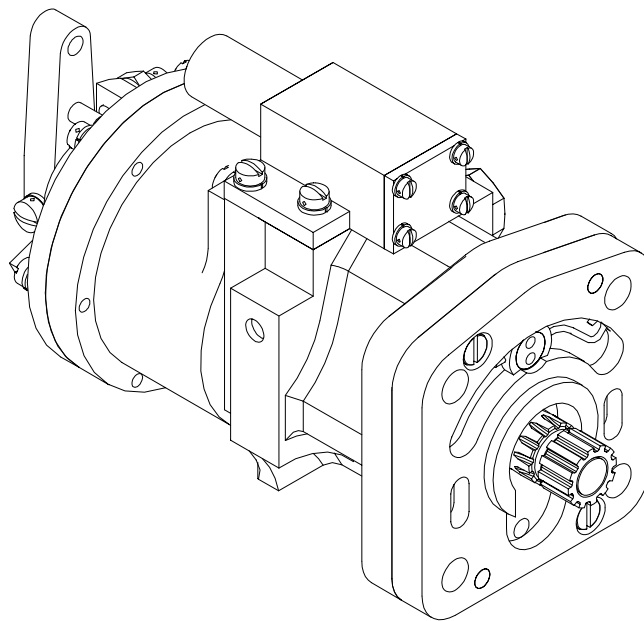


Fig. 1 P-9( )(-) Propeller Governor - General View

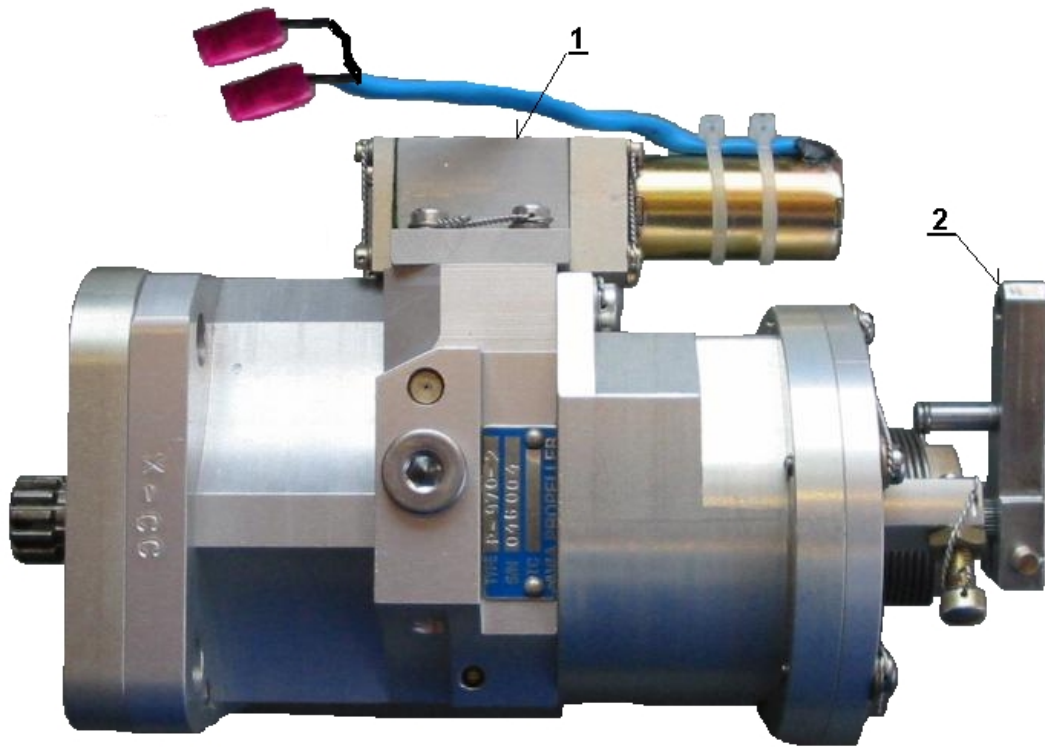


Fig. 2 P-9( )(-) Propeller Governor (side view)

- 1 - Solenoid valve
- 2 - Speed adjusting lever



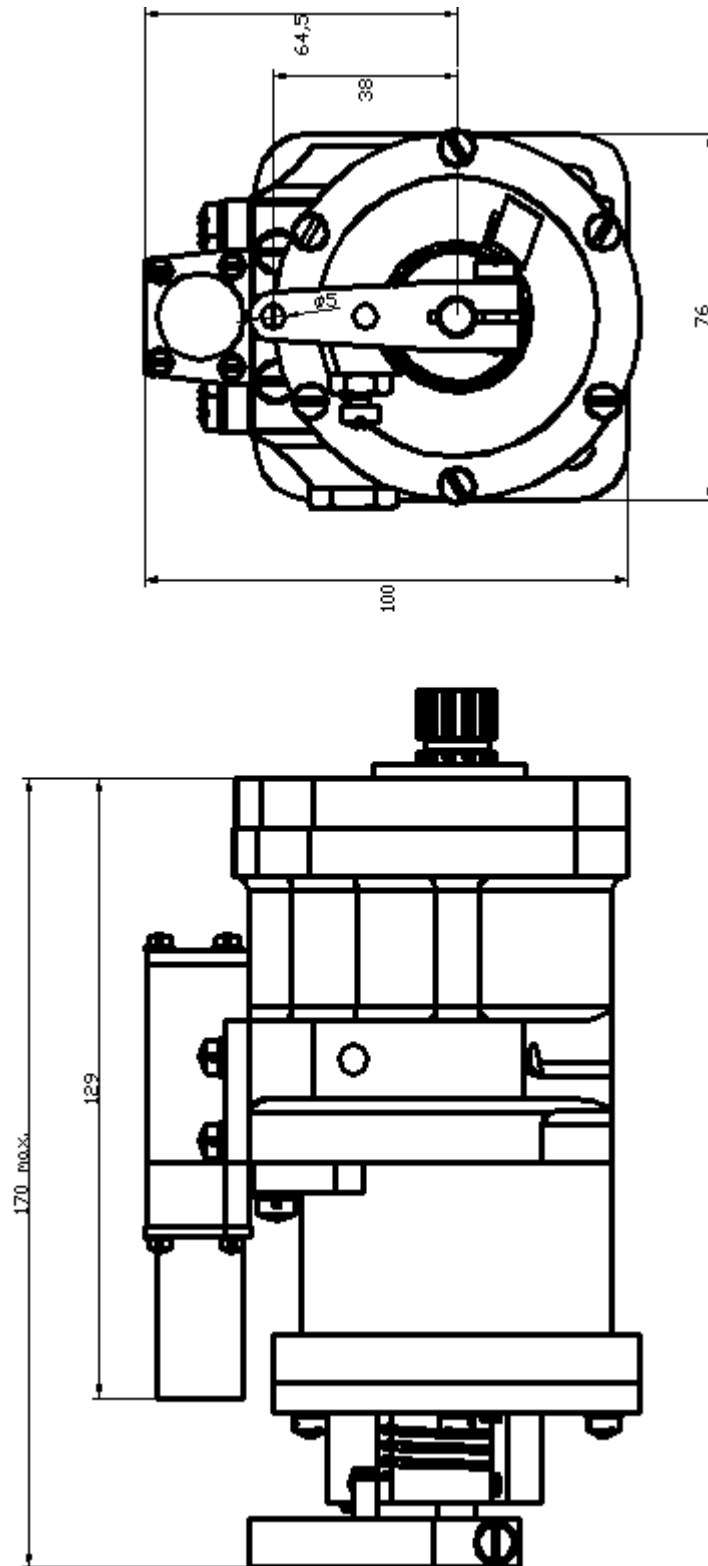


Fig. 3 P-9(X)(-)(-) Propeller Governor (dimensions)

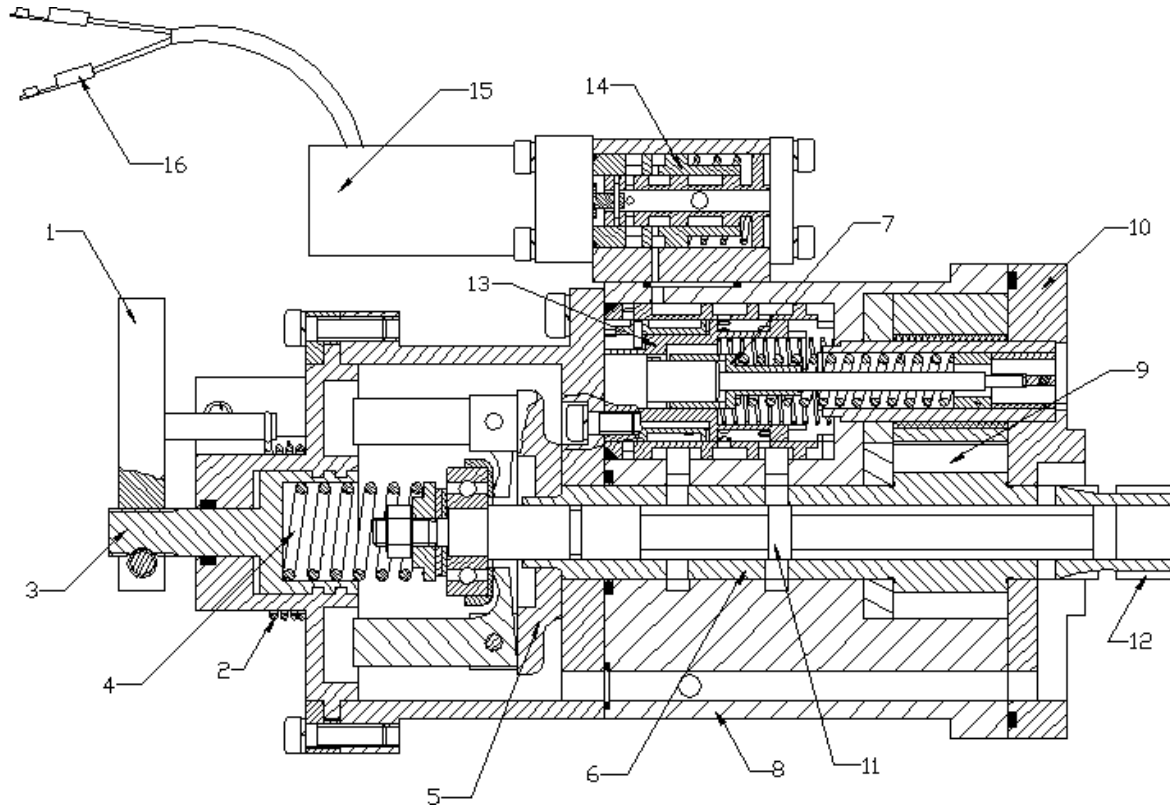


Fig. 4 P-9( )-( ) Propeller Governor (longitudinal sectional view)

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|--------------------------|-----------------------------|
| 1. Speed adjusting lever | 9. Gear pump                |
| 2. Return spring         | 10. Governor base           |
| 3. Speed adjusting shaft | 11. Pilot valve             |
| 4. Speeder spring        | 12. Governor drive          |
| 5. Head with flyweights  | 13. Pressure changing valve |
| 6. Shaft                 | 14. Switching valve         |
| 7. Relief valve plunger  | 15. Solenoid                |
| 8. Governor body         | 16. Contacts                |

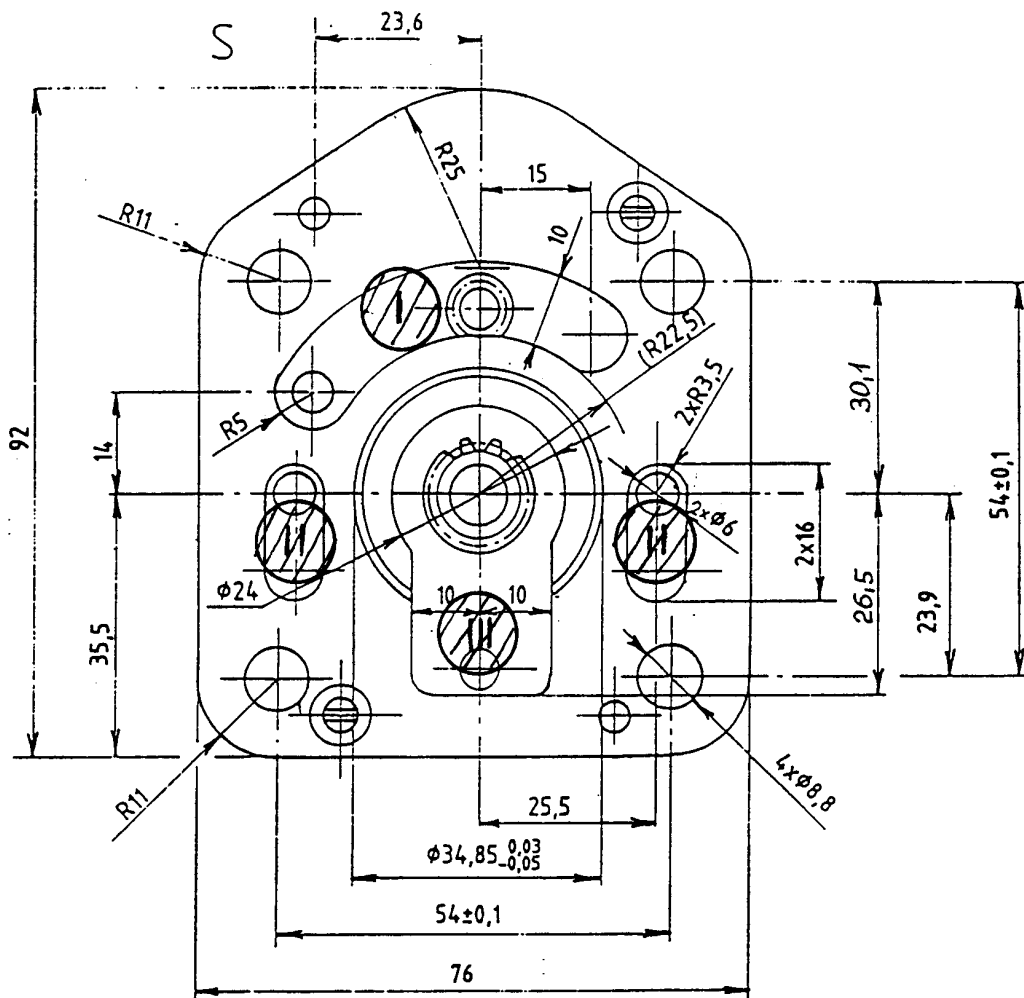


Fig. 5 Governor flange ADN 20010

Designation of channels

- I Oil supply from the engine oil system
- II Propeller oil supply
- III Return oil from the propeller hub and from the internal leakage of the governor into the engine oil system



### 3.0 OPERATION

#### 3.1 Normal operation (on-speed)

Refer to page 12.

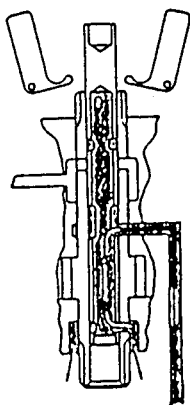
If the governor is in on-speed condition, the actual speed and selected speed are equal, force of the speeder spring is balanced with force of the rotating flyweights. The pilot valve plunger covers ports so oil cannot flow to or drain from the propeller servo piston. Oil from the gear pump overcomes relief valve spring force and is circulated through the open relief valve plunger back to the inlet side of the pump.

#### 3.2 Overspeed

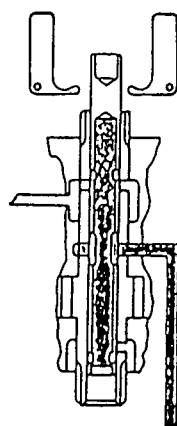
This condition occurs when actual propeller speed is greater than selected. The flyweights pivot outward and they overcome the force exerted by the speeder spring. Flyweight toes lift the pilot valve plunger, uncovering ports in the shaft, allowing oil in servo to drain from the propeller servo piston. The propeller servo piston increases pitch, engine load is increased and propeller speed is reduced until selected speed is obtained. The flyweights return to a normal position and the pilot valve plunger covers ports in the shaft blocking the flow of oil to or from the propeller servo piston. The governor is back in on-speed condition.

#### 3.3 Underspeed

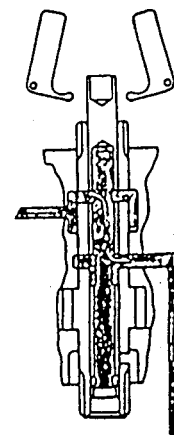
This condition occurs when actual propeller speed is less than selected speed. A decrease in centrifugal force causes the rotating flyweights to pivot inward under force exerted by the speeder spring. The pilot valve plunger is forced down uncovering ports in the shaft allowing pressurized oil to flow to the propeller servo piston. The propeller servo piston decreases pitch, thus reducing load on the engine and increasing propeller speed until selected speed is obtained. The flyweights return to a normal position and the pilot valve plunger covers ports in the shaft, blocking the flow of high pressure oil to or from the propeller servo piston. The governor is back in on-speed condition.



Overspeed



On-speed



Underspeed

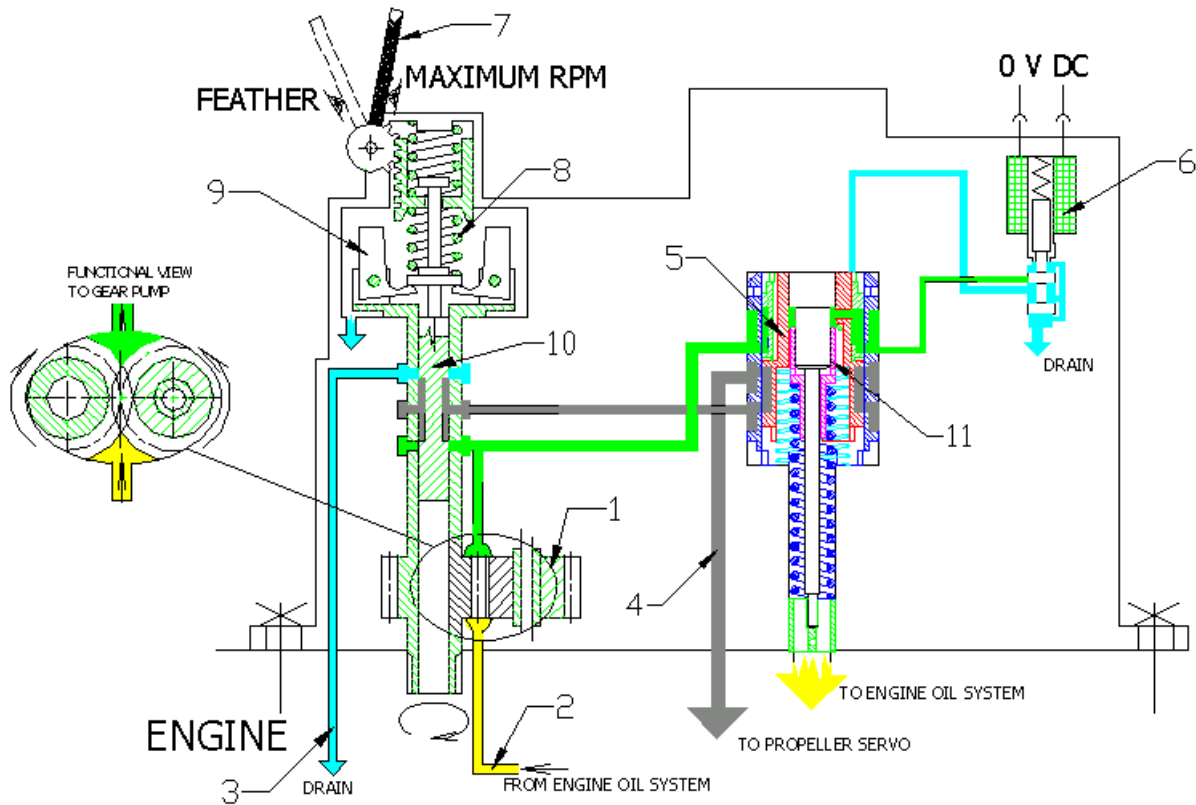


Fig. 6 Schematic diagram of governor operation  
 Normal operation

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|-------------------------------------|--------------------------|
| 1. Gear oil pump                    | 7. Speed adjusting lever |
| 2. Engine oil supply                | 8. Speeder spring        |
| 3. Drain line (to sump)             | 9. Flyweights            |
| 4. Control line for propeller servo | 10. Pilot valve          |
| 5. Reversing valve                  | 11. Relief valve         |
| 6. Solenoid valve                   |                          |



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### **3.4 Reversing**

Refer to page 14.

Via an electric signal to the solenoid beta valve, the switching control valve changes the position, the reversing valve moves to reversing position and thus relief valve changes its setting to high pressure. At the same time, control line for propeller servo will be connected with governor high pressure line and pushes the propeller into full reverse. In this condition the pilot valve is inoperative, therefore the propeller is not controllable by the constant speed section in the governor. The negative thrust must be produced by increasing and decreasing the engine power (engine rpm).

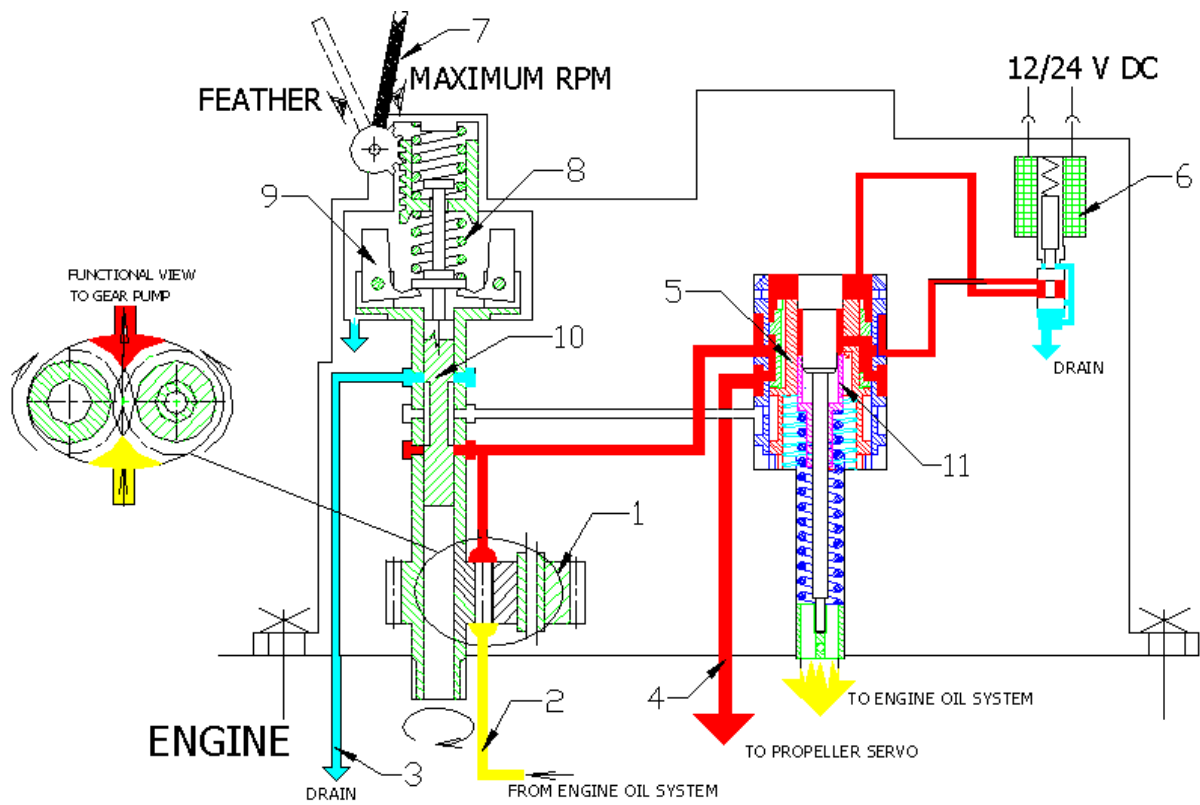


Fig. 7 Schematic diagram of governor operation  
 Reversing operation

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|-------------------------------------|--------------------------|
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| 2. Engine oil supply                | 8. Speeder spring        |
| 3. Drain line (to sump)             | 9. Flyweights            |
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| 6. Solenoid valve                   |                          |



## 4.0 GOVERNOR SPECIFICATION

### 4.1 Basic Parameters

4.1.1	Weight	max. 1.7 kg
4.1.2	Dimensions	see fig. 3
4.1.3	Drive	from engine
4.1.4	Governor rotation facing base	CCW / CW
4.1.5	Propeller speed control	lever
4.1.6	Governor drive ratio	according to engine
4.1.7	Operating liquid	piston engine oil from engine oil system
4.1.8	Operating voltage	24 or 12 V

### 4.2 Technical Data

4.2.1	Supply oil pressure	$3 \pm 0,3$ bar ( $43,5 \pm 4,4$ psi)
4.2.2	High pressure relief valve setting, at 90 % of max. governor rpm, oil temperature $75 \pm 3^{\circ}\text{C}$ ( $170^{\circ}\text{F}$ )	$38,5 \pm 1,5$ bar ( $558 \pm 22$ psi)
4.2.3	Low pressure relief valve setting, at max. governor rpm, oil temperature $75 \pm 3^{\circ}\text{C}$ ( $170^{\circ}\text{F}$ )	$22 \text{ bar} \pm 1 \text{ bar}$ $320 \text{ psi} \pm 10 \text{ psi}$
4.2.4	Range of operating temperatures for full accuracy	$+20$ to $+80^{\circ}\text{C}$ ( $+68$ to $+176^{\circ}\text{F}$ )
4.2.5	Full range of operating temperatures	$-20$ to $+110^{\circ}\text{C}$ ( $-4$ to $+230^{\circ}\text{F}$ )
4.2.6	Pump capacity at 1.750 + 10 governor rpm, $3 \pm 0,3$ bar( $43,5$ psi) input oil pressure, $75 \pm 3^{\circ}\text{C}$ ( $170^{\circ}\text{F}$ ) oil temperature, oil pressure at output approx. $10 + 0,5$ bar ( $145 \pm 7$ psi)	min. 7 l/min (7,5 qu/min)
4.2.7	Range of governed speed	1.000 to 3.000 rpm
4.2.8	Internal leakage at 1.750 rpm, output pressure $18 \pm 1$ bar, temperature $75 \pm 3^{\circ}\text{C}$ ( $170^{\circ}\text{F}$ )	max. 2.0 l/hour (2,1 qu/min)
4.2.9	Governor stability	$\pm 5$ %
4.2.10	Total control arm angular travel	max. $90^{\circ}$

#### 4.2.11 **Table of Governor Types:**

For all governor types please refer to MT-Propeller Governor List E-1057.





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### 4.3 Operational Conditions

4.3.1	Altitude	0 to 8.500 m (0 to 28000ft)
4.3.2	Temperature ranges	-20 to +110°C (-4 to + 230°F)
4.3.3	Flight maneuvering load factor	+8g, -5g
4.3.4	Time between overhaul	1.500 flying hours or 6 calendar years
4.3.5	Maximum permitted RPM	3500 RPM (continuously) for standard reciprocating engines

### 5.0 GOVERNOR INSPECTION BEFORE INSTALLATION ON THE ENGINE

After unpacking, the governor must be inspected, whether it is damaged (for example after drop, etc.) and for damaged parts. In case you have found a damage caused by transportation, please, contact the forwarder immediately, as well as the supplier.

### 6.0 INSTALLATION INSTRUCTION

- 6.1 Clean engine and governor flange with solvent or gasoline. Both surfaces must be dry and clean. Remove all surface defects.
- 6.2 Install clean, silicone greased gasket on engine flange. Gasket must have a screen on the inlet (supply) parts. Turn governor drive by hand to check free turning. Install the governor on the engine flange. The splines of the governor shaft must fit into the splines of drive in the engine. Mounting bolts or stop nuts with washers should be torqued crosswise with 20-24 Nm (180 - 220 inlb).

**Warning:**

Loosen bolts or nuts can cause improper function of the governor or at least oil leakage.

- 6.3 Connect control rod to governor control lever (according to the instruction in the aircraft service manual).
- 6.4 Plug in wiring for the reverse switching (beta) valve.
- 6.5 Perform a functional check and inspection for leakage according to chapter 11 in this manual.



## **7.0 CONTROL HEAD / LEVER ADJUSTMENT**

It is possible to position the governor head / control lever to any position, see fig. 8.

**7.1** Governor head / control lever rearrangement instructions:

**7.1.1** Remove one safety wires from six screws position 1, fig. 8.

**7.1.2** Loosen these six screws such a way, that it is possible to turn with the control head.

**7.1.3** Turn the control head to desired position.

**7.1.4** Tighten the six screws, secure with lock wire AMS5687 or equivalent, according to fig. 8.

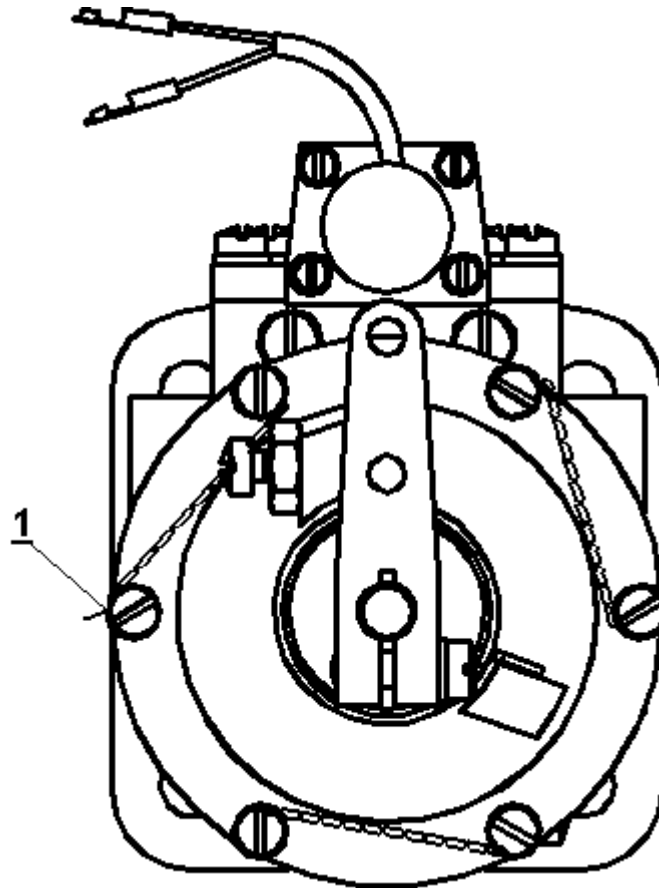


Fig. 8 Positioning of governor P-9( )(-) control head



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## **9.0 ADJUSTING OF MAXIMAL PROPELLER RPM**

**Note:**

It is possible to set maximum rpm with the described procedure only in a limited range. This is a normal maintenance procedure and fully authorized.

- 9.1** Remove lock wire from the stop screw (fig. 9, pos. 1) and loosen the lock nut (2) of the screw (1).
- 9.2** Place the governor lever on maximum rpm stop. Change maximum speed stop screw until proper speed setting is reached. Torque check nut.
- 9.3** Secure the lever with lock washer and screw 4 - 5 Nm (35-44 inlb).

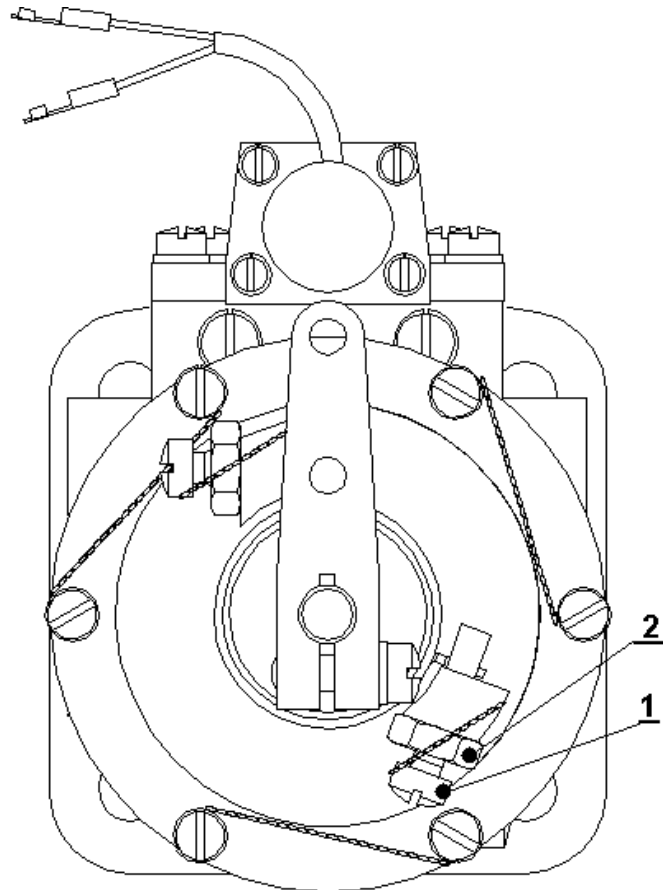


Fig. 9 Maximum rpm setting adjustment

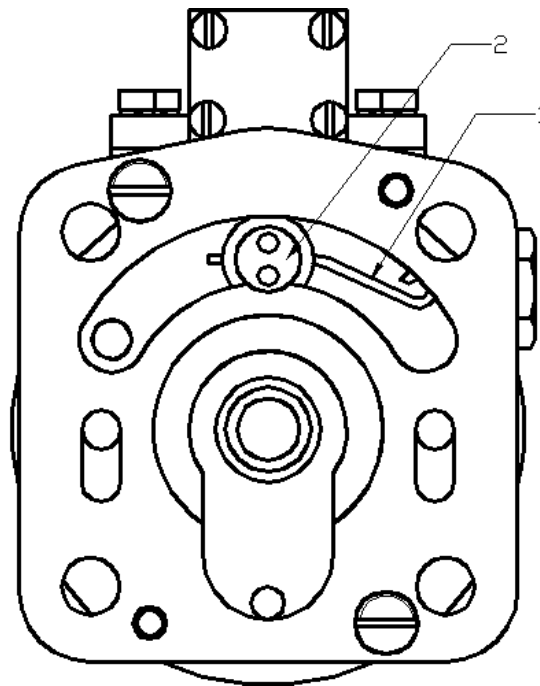


Fig. 10 Relief valve unlocking

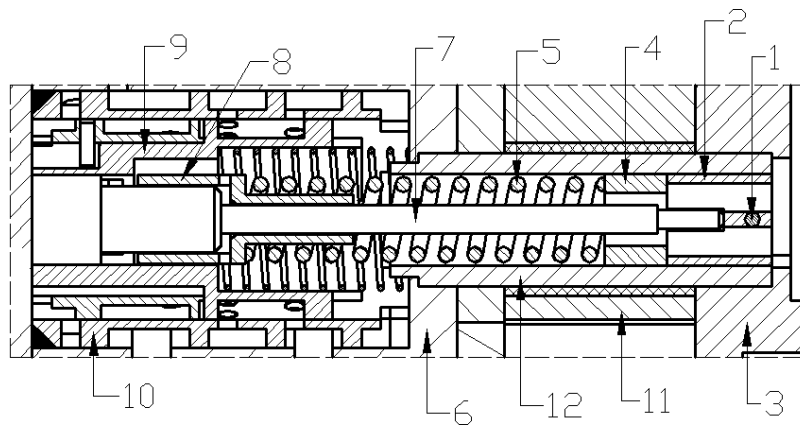


Fig. 11 Relief valve adjustment

For fig. 10 and 11:

- |                   |                    |
|-------------------|--------------------|
| 1. Safety pin     | 8. Guide           |
| 2. Plug           | 9. Reversing valve |
| 3. Governor base  | 10. Bushing        |
| 4. Adjusting shim | 11. Idler          |
| 5. Spring         | 12. Pin            |
| 6. Governor body  |                    |
| 7. Plunger        |                    |



## 10.0 ADJUSTMENT OF RELIEF VALVE

Fig. 10 and Fig. 11.

**10.1** Remove safety pin (1) from relief valve plug (2), apply adequate force onto the plug to release the safety pin.

**10.2** Remove the plug (1) from the idler pin (12). Check the number of shims under the plug.

**Note:**

Do not lose shim(s) during removing.

**10.3** Adjust relief valve pressure by changing thickness of the adjusting shims (4).

**Note:**

0,1 mm of total length of the shim set is about 10 psi.  
Discard one shim is about 50 psi pressure reduction.

**10.4** Insert the set of the adjusting shims into the idler pin. Install the relief valve plug and secure with safety pin.

**Note:**

This procedure sets both pressures (for normal operation and for reverse) at the same time. Reverse/high pressures cannot be adjusted separately.

## 11.0 AIRCRAFT FLIGHT CHECK

Before Static Run-up check feathering on feathering governors in accordance with aircraft service instructions or pilot manual.

### 11.1 PERFORM STATIC RUN-UP:

**ATTENTION: PERFORM THE STATIC RUN UP ON A CLEAN AREA , TO NOT DAMAGE THE PROPELLER BLADES DUE TO STONES ETC.**

Lock aircraft brakes. Place cockpit propeller RPM lever in high position. Advance throttle slowly to maximum permitted engine manifold pressure limits. Record propeller RPM. If local wind conditions are over 2.5 m/s, 5 knots repeat check with aircraft pointed to opposite direction and average two numbers. As a general rule, propeller should be 25-100 RPM below the red line limit during check.

**PULL BACK THE PROPELLER LEVER 3 TO 5 TIMES TO BLEED THE SYSTEM TO REMOVE THE AIR.**

### 11.2 PERFORM FLIGHT TEST

During takeoff acceleration, record maximum propeller RPM. When sufficient altitude is reached, level out aircraft, leaving propeller control in full RPM position. Maintain this setting for 3 to 5 minutes while monitoring propeller RPM. Following this check, two conditions may exist which require adjustment:



- 11.2.a** If the propeller RPM is exceeding the redline limit, reduce it to the redline using propeller control. Leaving propeller at this redline RPM setting, land aircraft and shutdown. Remove cowling and note position of control arm and governor. Adjust governor high RPM screw clockwise so it just touches stop on governor control arm; this will ensure that the correct arm position for governor redline RPM setting cannot be exceeded.
- 11.2.b** If the propeller is below red line limit with max RPM setting on the propeller cockpit control, note RPM and land. Remove engine cowling and adjust the governor high RPM screw, 1 turn counterclockwise will result in approximately 25 RPM higher. Perform another flight to confirm adjustment were sufficient.

Remove engine cowling and check for the oil leaks. Oil leaks aren't permitted.

Make a record in governor installation record.

### **11.3 GENERAL**

#### **Static Run Up**

There has been some confusion in the field concerning propeller low blade angle setting, the governor setting and how it relates to static run-up and take-off RPM.

As a general rule, engine redline RPM cannot be reached during a full power static run-up. Contrary to popular belief, the governor is not controlling the propeller at this time, the propeller is against its low pitch stop. Attempting to increase propeller static run-up RPM by adjusting the governor high RPM screw will have no effect and will probably result in a propeller overspeed during the take-off roll.





## 12.0 GOVERNOR FLANGE GASKET CHANGE

12.1 Remove governor from engine, chapter 13.

12.2 Install the governor with a new gasket to the engine. Surfaces must be clean and smooth. See chapter 5.

## 13.0 REMOVING THE GOVERNOR FROM ENGINE

13.1 Disconnect the control rod, refer to engine/aircraft service manual.

13.2 Disconnect cable from the solenoid. Put shipping cap (if applicable) on the solenoid.

13.3 If applicable, remove safety wire from flange-nuts. Remove nuts and washers.

13.4 Remove the governor from the engine. Protect the engine flange by appropriate means.

13.5 Secure governor flange with shipping cap. In case of necessity clean the governor with cleaning cloth using petrol. Pay attention that no petrol can enter the governor.

13.6 Put the governor into an appropriate box, store it as mentioned in chapter 16.

## 14.0 GOVERNOR CONSERVATION

14.1 Clean the governor with a soft brush or an appropriate cloth with petrol.

**Note:**

Pay attention that no petrol can enter the governor.

14.2 Cover all non varnished areas on the governor with a thin film of light engine oil.

14.3 Treat the governor according the instruction in item 13 and store it according to chapter 16.

14.4 If the governor is conserved and mounted on a engine flange, which is out of operation, it is necessary to check it's condition each 6 months. According to this inspection repeat it's conservation.



## 15.0 TROUBLE SHOOTING

### Propeller Surging or "Wandering" - Possible Causes:

#### 15.1 EXCESSIVE TRANSFER BEARING LEAKAGE

Engines with excessive transfer bearing leakage can experience surging since the governor may not be able to get enough pressure to the propeller. This causes a delay in propeller responsiveness and by the time the propeller responds to earlier governor inputs, they have changed, resulting in propeller "wandering".

**Solution:** Perform a transfer bearing leakage test per engine manufacturer's instructions. If test indicates a high rate of leakage (even though it may still be on the high side of "acceptable" tolerance), this maybe your cause. Install the suspect governor on a known "good" aircraft, if problem disappears, engine work may be indicated.

#### 15.2 MALFUNCTIONING MAGNETOS

See the engine manual.

#### 15.3 DIRTY ENGINE OIL

Contaminants in dirty engine oil can cause blockage of close tolerance passages in governor, leading to erratic operation.

**Solution:** Timely engine oil changes should eliminate this problem.

#### 15.4 EXCESSIVE "PLAY" IN AIRCRAFT PROPELLER CONTROL LINKAGE

Excessive "play" in the linkage between the governor and the cockpit control often leads to erratic operation. Specifically, if the propeller RPM is suddenly changing and holding a new setting on its own, this could indicate loose linkage.

**Solution:** Trace linkage and locate unsecured sections and tighten-up as needed. Please note that although linkage may appear to allow full governor control while the engine is off, it may not in the air. Engine vibration and "stretch" of the mount during operation can often aggravate the condition. Therefore, it is important the entire length of linkage be properly secured, even if both ends alone are tight.

#### 15.5 EXCESSIVE PROPELLER FRICTION

(NOTE: This is rarely the cause of RPM malfunction.)

Propeller may be overly-resistant to pitch movement. This can be caused by either excessively tight shimming of the propeller blades, or internal corrosion or part failure, causing binding.

**Solution:** Check amount of blade "play" as defined below:

A total lack of blade "shake" may indicate excessively tight blade shims. If this is suspected, have the propeller checked by a qualified FAA-approved propeller repairman. Note that this check and any needed correction can usually be performed with the propeller installed on the aircraft.



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## **16.0 SHIPPING AND STORAGE**

**16.1** For any shipment of the governor use original container or box.

In case of returning the governor it is furthermore recommended to return all accessories and parts together with the governor. They will also be inspected and not considered to be missing.

**16.2** If the governor is stored for a longer period of time, preferably use the original container or an equivalent one. Storage only in a controlled environment (temperature - 5°F to 95°F, rel. humidity 10 % to 75 %). Avoid extreme temperature/humidity differences or cycles. All metal surfaces should have anti-corrosion protection which is easy to remove.

**16.3** Long-term storage could require additional preservation. All standard anti-corrosive preservation oils may be used if they do not affect the seals.

**16.4** If the governor is stored or transported in corrosive environment such as salt water or fog, it is recommendable to cover the visible outside surfaces of the metal parts with a thin film of light engine oil.

**16.5** Before reuse of the governor, clean it inside with engine oil. Pour oil in governor through channels I, II and III , see fig. 5. Then turn governor drive in direction marked on one side of the base. Then leave oil to flow out from the governor.

## **17.0 MAINTENANCE**

**17.1** There is no maintenance required except for the procedures described in this manual.

**17.2** In case of necessity, please, contact service center or governor manufacturer.

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