

MA17 Valve Date Code Identification Procedure

Purpose: This document describes the procedure for identifying the date codes of MA17 series solenoid valves.

Scope: The scope of this document applies to all MA17 series solenoid valves.

1. Locate the flow arrow cast into the valve body approximately 1" below the tube locknut. See photo 1-1.
2. Below the flow arrow is a cast, upraised boss where the valve date code is stamped. See photo 1-1, date code boss is highlighted with red circle. This boss may be located behind a flange through bolt. See photo 1-2 below.
3. Please note that the date code was designated by month (i.e., 1 through 12) prior to October 2008. Thereafter, the date code was designated by week (i.e., 1 through 52). The date code will appear as the following:

a. Manufacture Date Prior to October 2008: Month (One or Two digits) – Year (Two Digits).

For example a 7 – 08 stamping indicates July 2008.

b. Manufacture Date of October 2008 to present: Week (One or Two digits) – Year (Two Digits).

For example a 7 – 09 stamping indicates week 7 of January 2009.

4. If date code is illegible due to epoxy paint, the paint can be removed using 180-220 grit sandpaper. *Lightly* sand date code boss to remove paint layer. Care must be given such that excess material is not removed. Date code may be rendered illegible if too much material is removed from casting. See photo 1-3 below.

