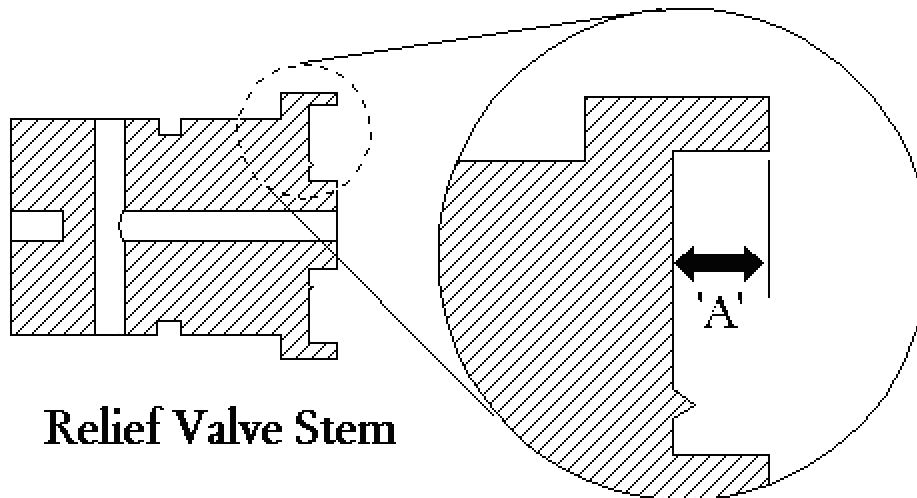




Notice 95-001

The Wilkins Model 975 8" and 10" reduced pressure principle backflow prevention assemblies were originally Approved on 8 November 1991 and 24 May 1993 respectively. No modifications were made in the production units, however, while under re-evaluation the assemblies failed to meet one of the laboratory requirements. The assemblies were, therefore, removed from the Foundation's *List of Approved Backflow Prevention Assemblies* as of the 1 December 1994 List.

Since that time the manufacturer has made modifications to the disc retaining cup in the relief valve stem (Dwg #9711-5) which allows the assemblies to pass the laboratory evaluation. Therefore, the Wilkins Model 975 8" and 10" reduced pressure principle backflow prevention assemblies appear on the 1 March 1995 List of Approved Backflow Prevention Assemblies with the stipulation that only those assemblies bearing serial number of B09745 and later are Approved. Assemblies bearing an earlier serial number may be brought up to the required Specifications by replacing the relief valve stem with the new relief valve stem replacement. The differences are detailed below.



Relief Valve Stem

Dimension 'A' has been changed from 0.175" to 0.200"

It should be noted that the failure of these assemblies to pass the laboratory evaluation does not indicate that they would fail to prevent backflow. The problem encountered in the laboratory was a technical issue and would not be noticed during the normal field test

of the assembly. For more information, please contact the Foundation Engineering Staff.
For correct replacement parts, please contact Wilkins Regulator Company.

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