

# SECTION IV

2022

## Bench BG-4

### RULES



# 2022 BENCH BG-4 CONTEST RULES

## INDEX

### Section IV

<u>Title</u>	<u>Page</u>
Rules Governing 2022 Bench BG-4 Contest and Interpretations of Discount Cards.....	1
Written Examination .....	4
Miscellaneous .....	5
Interpretation of Discount Sheet.....	7
Visuals/Disassembled.....	9
RZ-25 Tester .....	11
RZ-7000 Tester .....	13
Test-It 6100 .....	16
<del>BG4 Bench Written Record and Checks.....</del>	<del>19</del>
Identification of Parts .....	21

## RULES GOVERNING 2022 BENCH BG-4 CONTEST AND INTERPRETATIONS OF DISCOUNT CARDS

1. Each participant must be under guard before the start of the Contest in a location assigned by the Chief Judge and must remain continuously under guard until time to work the problem. Information for bench problem design is available on the MSHA website (<https://www.msha.gov>) in the Mine Rescue section under BG4 Designers Resources. Participants under guard must be in a location where they will be unable to obtain any information concerning the problem to be worked. Any participant receiving information concerning a Contest problem prior to starting to work the problem will be disqualified by the Chief Judge and the Assistant Chief Judge (no cell phones, iPad, smart watches, etc.). No person, except guards and Contest officials assigned to give the written examination, will be allowed to communicate with any participant under guard. Those who have performed will not be permitted to communicate with any participant awaiting their turn to perform.
2. Any indication of receiving unauthorized information during the working of the problem may result in disqualification as determined by the Chief Judge and the Assistant Chief Judge (no cell phones, iPad, smart watches, etc.). No one except judges, Contest officials, and working participants will be permitted in the bench station, unless special approval is given by the Chief Judge. Communication with bench participants, except for the judges, is prohibited. News media and photographers who wish to be in the working area must receive permission from the Director(s) and be accompanied by a Contest Official.
3. Any bench participant not in place and ready at the time specified will be disqualified from the Contest.
4. The bench participant will be provided with two BG-4 apparatus (one disassembled, one assembled), an RZ-25 tester, RZ-7000 tester, or Test-It 6100, a stopwatch, defogging solution, leak detector fluid, test kit, and tool kit, ~~blank-written record and writing device~~. Only the tools and fluid provided will be used for testing and assembly of the apparatus. The problem at the bench station will consist of (1) a visual examination of a disassembled BG-4 and the proper assembly and preparation for use in rescue work. This will include correcting any predetermined problem(s) so that the apparatus is in proper working order. Simulating defogging of the facepiece lens and simulating adding Dragorsorb to the refillable cartridge and ice to the cooler will be done as part of the visual examination. This visual examination, correcting

predetermined problem(s), and proper assembly can be done at any time allowed for working of the problem. (2) Test the assembled BG-4 apparatus with a tester, and correct the predetermined/functional problem(s) so that the apparatus is in proper working condition. Except for removing the sealing cap from the coupling and removing the Cover shell, the assembled BG-4 apparatus cannot be disassembled to look for problems/deficiencies, until the hoses are attached to the tester and the apparatus fails a test. When testing is completed on the assembled BG-4 apparatus, the hoses shall be removed from the tester, connected to the facepiece, and the back cover installed. This shall be done before the clock is stopped.

5. Spare parts to correct the predetermined problem(s)/deficiencies will be provided once the bench participant has specifically identified the problem/deficiency. This will require the participant to point out the exact location of the problem/deficiency. (Example: Positive pressure leak in the breathing bag. Participant will identify the location of the hole.)
6. When an unplanned problem/deficiency is encountered with the apparatus, the participant will be notified by the judges that the deficiency is not part of the problem. The judge will stop the clock, and any time used to correct the deficiency will not be charged to the working time. However, the process of verbal elimination shall not be used by the bench participant to find the predetermined problem(s). If it becomes obvious to the judges that this is occurring, the first offense will result in a warning, the second offense a discount, and the third offense could result in disqualification as determined by the Chief Judge. (Example: Participant verbally identifies a deficiency with every part of the facepiece when only one predetermined problem/deficiency exists.)
7. The bench participant will not be allowed to bring any materials, written information, or records to the bench station.
8. Tests will be performed in sequence on the assembled BG-4 apparatus using the standard functional test procedures with a tester as outlined in the Draeger Instruction for Use manual for PSS BG-4 AP/CP (Dragers User's Manual Revision 1, November 2016. This revision can be found on the ~~MSHA's web page under Mine Rescue contest Bench Resources, BG4 Statement/Problem Design~~ Holme's Association website <https://www.holmessafety.org/holmes-mine-rescue-association-rules-and-contest-resources/>. In addition to this guidance, the alternative relief valve test may be performed).

A maximum of 30 minutes will be allowed to complete the problem. The bench judge will inform the participant when he/she has Five minutes remaining to work the problem. At the completion of the problem, the judge(s) and the participant will note the working time of the problem with the official timekeeper. Work done after the clock is stopped will not be recognized. ~~The contestant will be given 1 minute prior to starting the clock to fill in the functional test procedures on the blank written record. The contestant can write out the test or abbreviate. (Example Low Pressure Warning Test or LPWT). The judge will stop the contestant if the one-minute has elapsed and have him start the 30 minute clock, finishing of the functional test procedures on the blank written record will be part of the 30 minute allowed to complete the problem.~~

- ~~8. There will be a 2 point discount per line if the written record is not filled out, incomplete, wrong information or illegible with a maximum of 12 discounts. After the clock is stopped, the judge will have the contestant sign and date the written record.~~
9. Any bench contestant who intentionally disturbs, breaks or destroys any tester, apparatus or component of the aforementioned items on a bench problem will receive a warning. Manually abusing or intentionally over or under pressurizing the tester substantially will be considered abusing the equipment. The first offense will result in a warning. The judge will stop the clock and inform the contestant that this is their first warning. Judge must state what the warning is for (the keyword is **intentionally**). The second offense will result in a warning, the clock will not be stopped, and a 100 point discount will be given. The third offense will result in the judge stopping the clock, locating the Chief Judge of the bench and determine if the contestant will be disqualified.

A. Written Examination of Bench Participant

1. The written examination shall consist of 20 questions. Ten questions for the written examination ~~will be taken verbatim from the BG4 bank. The BG4 bank~~ will be taken from Dragers User's Manual Revision 1, November 2016 which will be multiple choice with three choices and each blank shall represent a key word with no more than two consecutive blanks per statement. Ten questions will be taken verbatim from identification of parts. Intentional misspelling of words by the test developer will not be allowed. Multiple choice answers with numbers will either be in the form of numbers written out or numerical. Either version is acceptable. "None of the above" is not acceptable as one of the answers. Twenty minutes will be allowed for the written examination.
2. In special circumstances, individual bench participants may be given oral instead of written examinations by at least two judges. Requests for consideration shall be presented to the Director(s) of the Contest at the time of registration.
3. Bench participants will be separated to the extent possible, and every effort will be made to prohibit discussion of questions and answers among the bench participants.

B. Miscellaneous

1. In the event of ties in the Bench Contest, the number of discounts at bench will be the first tie breaker; the number of discounts on written examination will be the second tie breaker; and the official working time at bench in minutes and seconds will be the third tiebreaker.
2. The bench participant and trainer will report to a designated location to review and prepare protests within one hour of notification. Twenty minutes will be given to review and prepare written protests. All protests will be considered by the Chief Judge and his/her Assistant and their decision will be binding.
3. If a wireless internet connection is available, the Contest Director(s) may approve an option where the bench participant can review their results electronically. In those cases, the bench participant must provide an email address that will be used for the review on the form provided at registration. The form must be completed and submitted at registration. Contest officials will email the scorecards, written examination, etc. to the email address on record when they are ready for review. The bench participant will have 45 minutes to review the material starting upon the "read receipt" of the email, but no more than two hours from the time it was posted outside the appeals area, and email any protests back to the Contest Officials.
4. Disputes with regard to the Bench Contest (except discounts), shall be immediately filed with the Director(s). Disputes filed shall be in writing and set forth incidents, times, names, source of information and act complained against. Complainant shall remain accessible to the Director(s) until the complaint is resolved. A decision by the Director(s) shall be final.
5. Any similar terminology used to describe a part is acceptable such as; cylinder or bottle, etc.
6. Bench participants must be bonafide employees of the mining industry or members of mine rescue teams designated to fulfill the requirements of 30 CFR Part 49. This does not exclude bench participants whose team is not participating at the National Contest or a member of a college mine rescue team.

7. All parts must correspond with the individual units that are being used for contest purposes only. (Drain valve, cooler, mask, anti-vibe, CO<sub>2</sub> absorber, hoses, coupler, etc.)



## Interpretations of Discount Sheet

### A. Written Examination

1. For each incorrect statement \_\_\_\_\_ 1

### B. Time

The time will be recorded in minutes and seconds.

### C. Competition at Bench

1. Failure to verbally identify each test being conducted \_\_\_\_\_ 2

Verbally identify each test being performed.

2. Failure to verbally identify each problem/deficiency \_\_\_\_\_ 5

Failure to verbally identify is also interpreted as failure to find the problem/deficiency.

Failure to find the problem/deficiency is interpreted as failure to correct the problem.

3. Failure to correct each problem/deficiency \_\_\_\_\_ 5

4. Continuing without correcting the predetermined problem/deficiency \_\_\_\_\_ 40

Once a bench participant finds a predetermined problem and does not correct it before continuing with the remaining tests, he/she shall receive a 40 point discount for continuing without correcting the problem and a pending five point discount for failing to correct the problem. If all of the remaining tests are properly conducted and passed and the participant returns to the uncorrected problem and corrects it, the pending five point discount will not be assessed. Should the participant continue on from this point and properly conduct all of the remaining tests again, he/she would also have the original 40 point discount for continuing tests removed.

5. Failure to conduct any visual examination or test on the BG-4, each test \_\_\_\_\_5
6. Failure to tighten connections properly during assembly, each connection\_\_\_\_\_1

All connections must be tightened on the apparatus and verbally identified as connected or good at the time the connection is made. Failure to verbally identify at the time the connection is being made will result in a one point discount for each. Zero adjustments shall be made on the tester prior to connecting the breathing hoses to the tester.

This includes:

- Cap on drain valve - connected or good
  - Drain valve to breathing bag - connected or good
  - Minimum valve to breathing bag - connected or good
  - Minimum valve to O<sub>2</sub> supply hose - connected or good
  - Cylinder connection - connected or good
  - Factory/Refillable Cartridge connections - connected or good
  - Relief valve connection - connected or good
  - Cooler to bag connection - connected or good
  - Distribution hose connection - connected or good
  - Breathing hoses during the visual examination on the disassembled apparatus) - connected or good
  - Hose adapter on the tester - connected or good
  - Cross over Hose to Switchbox and Relief valve - connected or good
- Once the zero adjustment on the tester has been made, do not readjust setting for balance of tests.

7. Failure to zero the tester \_\_\_\_\_10
8. Failure to comply with rules not covered in discount sheet, each infraction\_\_\_\_\_2

If the discount is not listed on the discount sheet, and if it is not covered under one of the approved rules of the Contest, do not improvise a discount to cover the suspected violation.

D. Visuals/Disassembled

1. Failure to conduct a visual examination of the 9 components, all components, sub components, component parts, assembly, sub-assemblies retest dates are subject to problems/ deficiencies. Contestant is required to verbally identify what is in capital bold print letters. The examples listed below for visual examination of the 9 components are a minimum starting point for training purposes.

2. Failure to conduct a visual examination of the **FRAME/HARNES**\_\_\_\_\_2

The visual examination will include an examination of the harness assembly, frame, back cover, visible sealing rings, Sentinel, O<sub>2</sub> regulator, Anti-vibe and switch box.

3. Failure to conduct a visual examination of the **BREATHING BAG**\_\_\_\_\_2

The participant will verbally identify that the breathing bag is being examined for pliability and signs of deterioration. Stretching or manipulating the breathing bag with a massaging action will be part of this examination. The participant will verbally identify that the sealing surfaces are being examined for signs of deterioration or damage. Also, the minimum valve, drain valve, lever, and springs will be examined for damage.

4. Failure to conduct a visual examination of the **O<sub>2</sub> CYLINDER**\_\_\_\_\_2

A proper cylinder examination includes a visual inspection of the cylinder. The participant will verbally identify the cylinder pressure on the gauge, the pressure rating on cylinder, the latest hydrostatic test date, and identify if the cylinder is plus rated, if steel. Participant will inform the judge if the cylinder pressure is less than 2,600 PSI for the Sentinel.

5. Failure to conduct a visual examination of the **FACTORY/REFILLABLE CARTRIDGE** \_\_\_\_\_ 2

A proper examination includes a visual inspection for defects. If a Factory packed cartridge is used, verbally identify that the sealing surfaces are not damaged, and identify the expiration date with month and year. If a refillable cartridge is used, a visual inspection for defects, strap with tension spring hook, seal, Refillable scrubber screens and filter mats are required. Adding Dragorsorb to the refillable cartridge shall be simulated as part of the visual refillable cartridge examination.

6. Failure to conduct a visual examination of the **RELIEF VALVE** \_\_\_\_\_ 2

A proper examination includes a visual inspection for defects. Verbally identify that the valve and O-ring are not damaged.

7. Failure to conduct a visual examination of the **COOLER** \_\_\_\_\_ 2

A proper examination includes a visual inspection for defects. Verbally identify that the sealing surfaces are not damaged. Adding ice to the cooler shall be simulated as part of the visual cooler examination.

8. Failure to conduct a visual examination of the **HOSES** \_\_\_\_\_ 2

The participant will verbally identify that the hoses are being inspected for pliability and signs of deterioration. Stretching or manipulating the hoses with a massaging action will be part of this examination. The participant will verbally identify that the sealing edges/surfaces, including bayonet rings and Anti-crush rings are being examined for signs of deterioration.

9. Failure to conduct a visual examination of the **COUPLING, INHALATION AND EXHALATION VALVES** \_\_\_\_\_ 2

A proper examination includes a visual inspection for defects, sealing surfaces and valve discs. Verbally identify that the sealing edges/surfaces and valve discs are not damaged.

10. Failure to conduct a visual examination of the **FACEPIECE**\_\_\_\_\_2

The visual examination will include an examination of the head strap assembly, mask body (including sealing surfaces), the visor, speaking diaphragm, and wiper. Defogging the visor shall be simulated as part of the visual facepiece examination.

11. Failure to have Visual Apparatus fully assembled.  
(Ready for use)\_\_\_\_\_5

**Note:** Breathing hoses do not need to be in straps on visual apparatus.

E. RZ-25 Tester

1. Failure to conduct a proper low pressure warning test\_\_\_\_\_2

Connect breathing hoses to test unit. Set RZ-25 tester on positive pressure pumping, gently activate bellows, and watch the pressure gauge. If the low pressure warning is operating properly, warning should be activated when the pressure is less than 1.4 mbar for the Sentinel.

2. Failure to conduct a proper inhalation valve test\_\_\_\_\_2

The RZ-25 tester is set on positive pressure pumping. Tightly pinch the exhalation hose with your hand. Gently activate bellows until 10 mbar is indicated on the pressure gauge.

3. Failure to conduct a proper exhalation valve test\_\_\_\_\_2

Set the RZ-25 tester on negative pressure pumping. Tightly pinch the inhalation hose with your hand. Gently activate bellows until -10 mbar is indicated on the pressure gauge.

4. Failure to conduct a proper drain valve test\_\_\_\_\_2

Set RZ-25 tester on positive pressure pumping. Pump bellows until 10 mbar is indicated on the pressure gauge. While pumping, fit the open side of the sealing cap over the tappet of the relief valve and hold it tightly until it is pressed into place by the inflated breathing bag. The drain valve must not open at 10 mbar.

5. Failure to conduct a proper leak test with positive pressure\_\_\_\_\_2

Set RZ-25 tester on leak test. Bleed needle to 7 mbar and start stopwatch. Needle should not change more than 10 mm H<sub>2</sub>O or 1 mbar in 60 seconds. Set RZ-25 tester on negative pressure pumping, the breathing bag is vented. Remove the sealing cap.

6. Failure to conduct a proper relief valve test\_\_\_\_\_2

Set RZ-25 tester on positive pressure pumping. Pump the bellows until the relief valve opens, it should open between 2 and 5 mbar. Participant will verbally state reading of valve opening.

**NOTE:** An alternate relief valve test may be conducted by observing the reading on the RZ-25 tester (with the tester set on leak test). Flow of oxygen from the constant dosage will cause relief valve to open between 2 and 5 mbar. If this alternate test is used, it must be conducted after the completion of the bypass valve test.

7. Failure to conduct a proper high pressure leak test\_\_\_\_\_2

Set RZ-25 tester on leak test. Open cylinder valve. Watch the Sentinel unit, the cylinder pressure is indicated here. If it is lower than 2600 psi, change the oxygen cylinder. If it is greater than 2600 psi, alarm beeps two times. Sentinel indicates "close cylinder" icon, as soon as the icon appears, close cylinder valve.

Result of the tests is output after approximately 15 seconds. If the PSS BG-4 is okay, "open cylinder valve" icon, as soon as the icon appears open cylinder valve.

8. Failure to conduct a proper constant metering valve test\_\_\_\_\_2

Set RZ-25 tester on positive pressure pumping. Pump bellows until the breathing bag is inflated. While pumping, fit the open side of the sealing cap over the tappet of the relief valve and hold it tightly until it is pressed into position by the inflated bag. Set the RZ-25 tester on Red Dosage 0.5 - 2 L/min. The constant metering quantity should lie between 1.5 and 1.9 L/min. Participant will verbally state dosage value on the red scale as soon as the pointer has stopped moving.

9. Failure to conduct a proper minimum valve test\_\_\_\_\_2

Set RZ-25 tester on negative pressure pumping. The breathing bag is vented automatically, remove sealing cap, pump bellows until minimum valve is heard to open in breathing bag and there is a hissing sound. Watch the pressure gauge, the minimum valve should open at a value between 0.1 and 2.5 mbar. Participant will verbally identify reading of opening of valve.

10. Failure to conduct a proper bypass valve test\_\_\_\_\_2

Set RZ-25 tester on leak test. Press red button for bypass valve. Oxygen must be heard to flow into the circuit, the breathing bag inflates.

11. Failure to conduct a proper low/residual pressure warning test\_\_\_\_\_2

Close cylinder valve. Watch the display or sentinel unit. The warning should be generated at approx. 700 psi. Alarm sounds intermittently, red indicator flashes. Unplug coupling from RZ-25 tester. Participant will verbally state reading.

12. Failure to conduct a proper battery test\_\_\_\_\_2

On activation and deactivation, the Sentinel automatically checks and displays the battery capacity. To switch off the Sentinel, simultaneously press the right and left hand button until the single sharp audible bleep sounds. Release the buttons. For three seconds, Sentinel shows the battery status. Sentinel switches off.

13. Failure to have Test Apparatus fully assembled. (Ready for use)  
\_\_\_\_\_5

**Note:** Breathing hoses do not need to be in straps on test apparatus.

F. RZ-7000 Tester

1. Failure to conduct a proper low pressure warning test\_\_\_\_\_2

Connect breathing hoses to test unit. Set RZ-7000 tester on positive pressure pumping, gently pump, and watch the pressure gauge. If the low pressure warning is operating properly, warning should be activated when the pressure is less than 1.4 mbar for the Sentinel.

2. Failure to conduct a proper inhalation valve test\_\_\_\_\_2

The RZ-7000 tester is set on positive pressure pumping. Tightly pinch the exhalation hose with your hand. Pump until 10 mbar is indicated on the pressure gauge.

3. Failure to conduct a proper exhalation valve test\_\_\_\_\_2

Set the RZ-7000 tester on negative pressure pumping. Tightly pinch the inhalation hose with your hand. Pump until -10 mbar is indicated on the pressure gauge.

4. Failure to conduct a proper drain valve test\_\_\_\_\_2

Set RZ-7000 tester on positive pressure pumping. Pump until 15 mbar is indicated on the pressure gauge. While pumping, fit the open side of the sealing cap over the tappet of the relief valve and hold it tightly until it is pressed into place by the inflated breathing bag. The drain valve should not open before 15mbar.

5. Failure to conduct a proper leak test with positive pressure\_\_\_\_\_2

Set RZ-7000 tester on leak test. Bleed needle to 7.5 mbar and start stopwatch. Needle should not change more than 10 mm H<sub>2</sub>O or 1 mbar in 60 seconds. Set RZ-7000 tester on negative pressure pumping, the breathing bag is vented. Remove the sealing cap.

6. Failure to conduct a proper relief valve test\_\_\_\_\_2

Set RZ-7000 tester on positive pressure pumping. Pump until the relief valve opens, it should open between 2 and 5 mbar. Participant will verbally state reading of valve opening.

**NOTE:** An alternate relief valve test may be conducted by observing the reading on the RZ-7000 tester (with the tester set on leak test). Flow of oxygen from the constant dosage will cause relief valve to open between 2 and 5 mbar. If this alternate test is used, it must be conducted after the completion of the bypass valve test.



7. Failure to conduct a proper high pressure leak test\_\_\_\_\_2

Set RZ-7000 tester on leak test. Open cylinder valve. Watch the Sentinel unit, the cylinder pressure is indicated here. If it is lower than 2600 psi, change the oxygen cylinder. If it is greater than 2600 psi, alarm beeps two times. Sentinel indicates “close cylinder” icon, as soon as the icon appears, close cylinder valve.

Result of the tests is output after approximately 15 seconds. If the PSS BG-4 is okay, “open cylinder valve” icon, as soon as the icon appears open cylinder valve.

8. Failure to conduct a proper constant metering valve test\_\_\_\_\_2

Set RZ-7000 tester on positive pressure pumping. Pump until the breathing bag is inflated. While pumping, fit the open side of the sealing cap over the tappet of the relief valve and hold it tightly until it is pressed into position by the inflated bag. Set the RZ-7000 tester on. The constant metering quantity should lie between 1.5 and 1.9 L/min. Participant will verbally state dosage value on the display.

9. Failure to conduct a proper minimum valve test\_\_\_\_\_2

Set RZ-7000 tester on negative pressure pumping. The breathing bag is vented automatically, remove sealing cap, pump until minimum valve is heard to open in breathing bag and there is a hissing sound. Watch the pressure gauge, the minimum valve should open at a value between 0.1 and 2.5 mbar. Participant will verbally identify reading of opening of valve.

10. Failure to conduct a proper bypass valve test\_\_\_\_\_2

Set RZ-7000 tester on leak test. Press red button for bypass valve. Oxygen must be heard to flow into the circuit, the breathing bag inflates.

11. Failure to conduct a proper low/residual pressure warning test\_\_\_\_\_2

Close cylinder valve. Watch the display or sentinel unit. The warning should be generated at approx. 700 psi. Alarm sounds intermittently, red indicator flashes. Unplug coupling from RZ-7000 tester. Participant will verbally state reading.

12. Failure to conduct a proper battery test\_\_\_\_\_2

On activation and deactivation, the Sentinel automatically checks and displays the battery capacity. To switch off the Sentinel, simultaneously press the right and left hand button until the single sharp audible bleep sounds. Release the buttons. For three seconds, Sentinel shows the battery status. Sentinel switches off.

13. Failure to have Test Apparatus fully assembled. (Ready for use)  
\_\_\_\_\_5

**Note:** Breathing hoses do not need to be in straps on test apparatus.

G. Test-It 6100

1. Failure to conduct a proper low pressure warning test\_\_\_\_\_2

Connect breathing hoses to the tester. Set Test-It 6100 so that it indicates the pressure in mbar. Open shut-off valve at the test unit. Connect positive pressure side of the pump to the test unit. Pump slowly. Watch the test unit; the low pressure warning should be activated when the pressure is lower than 1.4 mbar for the Sentinel. De-aerate PSS BG 4 via test unit until the low pressure warning is switched off.

2. Failure to conduct a proper inhalation valve test\_\_\_\_\_2

The tester is set on pressure in mbar. Connect positive pressure side of the pump to the test unit. Tightly pinch the exhalation hose with your hand. Pump slowly until at least 10 mbar is indicated on the test unit.

3. Failure to conduct a proper exhalation valve test\_\_\_\_\_2

The tester is set on pressure in mbar. Connect negative pressure side of the pump to the test unit. Tightly pinch the inhalation hose with your hand. Gently activate pump until at least -10 mbar is indicated on the test unit.

4. Failure to conduct a proper drain valve test\_\_\_\_\_2

Connect positive pressure side of the pump to the test unit. Pump until at least 10 mbar is indicated on the pressure gauge. While

pumping, fit the open side of the sealing cap over the tappet of the relief valve and hold it tightly until it is pressed into place by the inflated breathing bag. The drain valve should not open before 15 mbar.

5. Failure to conduct a proper leak test with positive pressure\_\_\_\_\_2

Close shut-off valve at the test unit. Reduce the pressure to 7 mbar at the test unit. Start the stopwatch. Reading should not change by more than 1 mbar in 60 seconds. Open the shut-off valve and De-aerate PSS BG 4. Remove the sealing cap.

6. Failure to conduct a proper relief valve test\_\_\_\_\_2

Open shut-off valve at the test unit. Connect positive pressure side of the pump to the test unit. Pump slowly until the relief valve opens; it should open between 2 and 5 mbar. Participant will verbally state reading of valve opening.

**NOTE:** An alternate relief valve test may be conducted by observing the reading on the Test-It 6100 tester (with the tester set on leak test). Flow of oxygen from the constant dosage will cause relief valve to open between 2 and 5 mbar. If this alternate test is used, it must be conducted after the completion of the bypass valve test.

7. Failure to conduct a proper high pressure leak test\_\_\_\_\_2

Set tester on leak test. Open cylinder valve. Watch the display unit, the cylinder pressure is indicated here. If it is lower than 2600 psi, change the oxygen cylinder. If it is greater than 2600 psi, alarm sounds once. Sentinel indicates "close cylinder" icon, as soon as the icon appears, close cylinder valve.

Result of the tests is output after approximately 15 seconds. If the PSS BG-4 is okay, "open cylinder valve" icon, as soon as the icon appears open the cylinder valve.

8. Failure to conduct a proper constant metering valve test\_\_\_\_\_2

Open the flow valve, switch Test-It 6100 to LPM, install dosage adapter and gently activate bypass valve to seat sealing cap over relief valve to reach 1.5 LPM. The constant metering quantity should lie between 1.5

and 1.9 L/min. Participant will verbally state dosage value on the display.

9. Failure to conduct a proper minimum valve test \_\_\_\_\_ 2

Set the tester to indicate pressure and negative pressure pumping. The breathing bag is vented automatically, remove sealing cap, pump with negative pressure until minimum valve is heard to open in breathing bag and there is a hissing sound. Watch the display, the minimum valve should open at a value between 0.1 and 2.5 mbar. Participant will verbally identify reading of opening of valve.

10. Failure to conduct a proper bypass valve test \_\_\_\_\_ 2

Close the shut-off valve at the test unit. Press red button for bypass valve. Oxygen must be heard to flow into the circuit, the breathing bag inflates.

11. Failure to conduct a proper low/residual pressure warning test \_\_\_\_\_ 2

Close cylinder valve. Watch the display or sentinel unit. The warning should be generated at approximately 700 psi. Alarm sounds intermittently, red indicator flashes. Unplug coupling from tester. Participant will verbally state reading.

12. Failure to conduct a proper battery test \_\_\_\_\_ 2

On activation and deactivation, the Sentinel automatically checks and displays the battery capacity. To switch off the Sentinel, simultaneously press the right and left hand button until the single sharp audible bleep sounds. Release the buttons. For three seconds, Sentinel shows the battery status. Sentinel switches off.

13. Failure to have Test Apparatus fully assembled. (Ready for use)  
\_\_\_\_\_ 5

**Note:** Breathing hoses do not need to be in straps on test apparatus

**BG4 Bench Written Record and Checks-  
Judge's Score Card**

1	<del>Low Pressure Warning Test</del>	<del>---</del>	<del>1.4 Mbar Max</del>
2	<del>Inhalation valve Test</del>	<del>-</del>	<del>10 Mbar +</del>
3	<del>Exhalation Valve Test</del>	<del>-</del>	<del>10 Mbar--</del>
4	<del>Drain Valve Test</del>	<del>- -</del>	<del>10 Mbar-</del>
5	<del>Positive Pressure Leak Test</del>	<del>-</del>	<del>1 Mbar in 60 Sec</del>
6	<del>Relief valve Test</del>	<del>- -</del>	<del>2 to 5 Mbar-</del>
7	<del>High Pressure leak Test</del>	<del>-</del>	<del>Open Cylinder Icon-</del>
8	<del>Constant metering /Dosage Test</del>	<del>-</del>	<del>1.5 to 1.9 L/Min-</del>
9	<del>Minimum Valve Test</del>	<del>- -</del>	<del>0.1 to 2.5 Mbar-</del>
10	<del>Bypass Test</del>	<del>- -</del>	<del>Breathing Bag Inflates-</del>
11	<del>Relief valve Test</del>	<del>- -</del>	<del>-2 to 5 Mbar-</del>
12	<del>Residual Pressure Warning Test</del>	<del>-</del>	<del>700 PSI-</del>
13	<del>Battery Test</del>	<del>- -</del>	<del>Battery Full or Black, ICON-</del>
14	<del>Ready for use-</del>	<del>- -</del>	
	<del>Date</del>	<del>- - -</del>	
	<del>Serial Number</del>	<del>- -</del>	
	<del>Signature</del>	<del>- - -</del>	
	<del>Cylinder Reading</del>	<del>- -</del>	
	<del>-</del>	<del>- - -</del>	
	<del>-</del>	<del>- - -</del>	
	<del>-</del>	<del>- - -</del>	
	<del>-</del>	<del>- - -</del>	
	<del>-</del>	<del>- - -</del>	

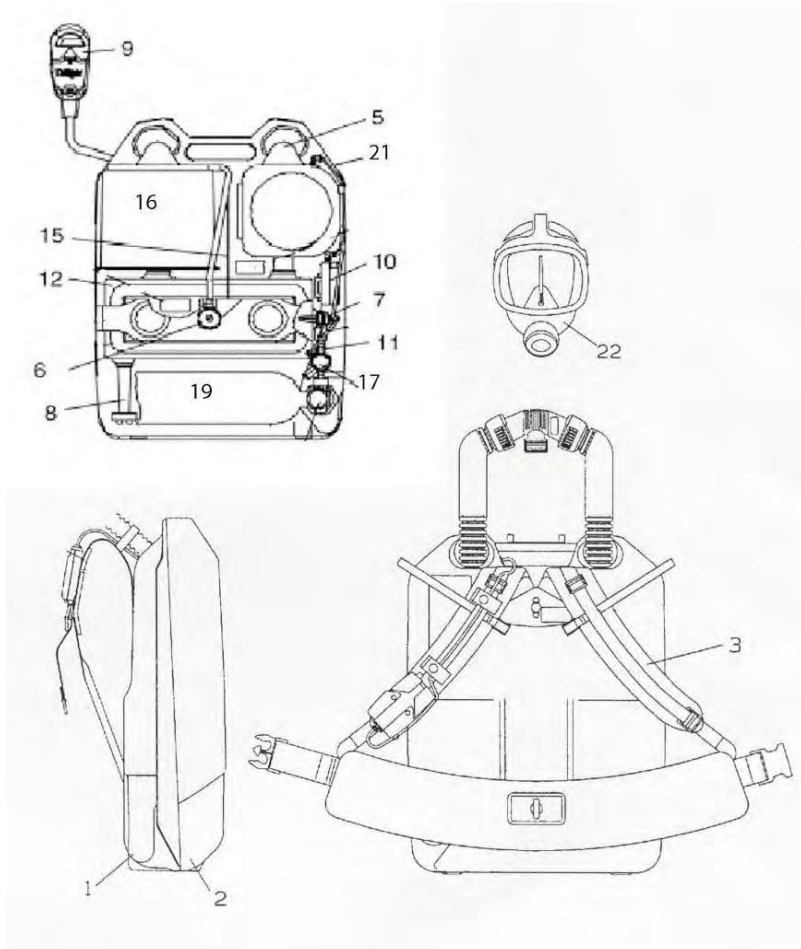
<del>Team</del>	<del>-</del>	<del>-</del>	<del>-</del>
<del>Contestant</del>	<del>-</del>	<del>-</del>	<del>-</del>
<del>-</del>	<del>-</del>	<del>-</del>	<del>-</del>
<del>-</del>	<del>-</del>	<del>-</del>	<del>-</del>

BG4 Bench Written Record and Checks

-	-	-	-
-	-	-	-
-	-	-	-
-	-	-	-
-	-	-	-
-	-	-	-
-	-	-	-
-	-	-	-
-	-	-	-
-	-	-	-
-	-	-	-
-	-	-	-
-	-	-	-
-	-	-	-
-	-	-	-
-	-	-	-
-	-	-	-
-	-	-	-
-	-	-	-
-	-	-	-
-	-	-	-
-	-	-	-
-	-	-	-

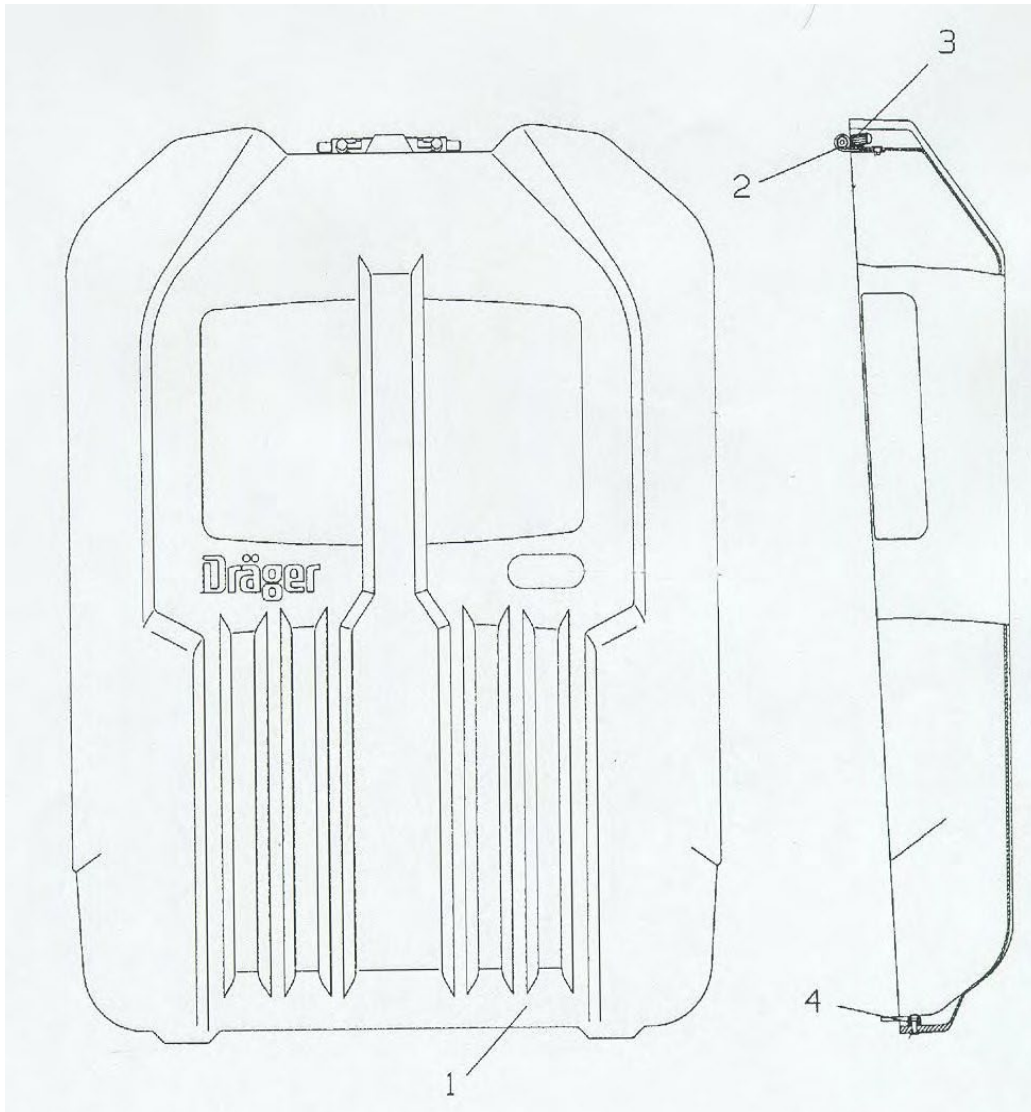
Team	-	-	-	<hr/>
Contestant	-	-	-	<hr/>
-	-	-	-	<hr/>
-	-	-	-	<hr/>

## BG-4



1	2	1	2
Cons. No.	Designation	Cons. No.	Designation
1	Carrying Housing	12	Breathing Bag
2	Cover Shell, complete	15	Lever, Complete
3	Shoulder Pad Assembly	16	Factory/refillable cartridge
5	Cooler	17	Pressure Reducer BG4
6	Relief valve, Complete	19	Oxygen Cylinder
7	Minimum Valve	21	Distribution Hose
8	Drain Valve	22	FPS 7000 Mask
9	Sentinel	-	
10	Switch Box		
11	Pressure Sensor		

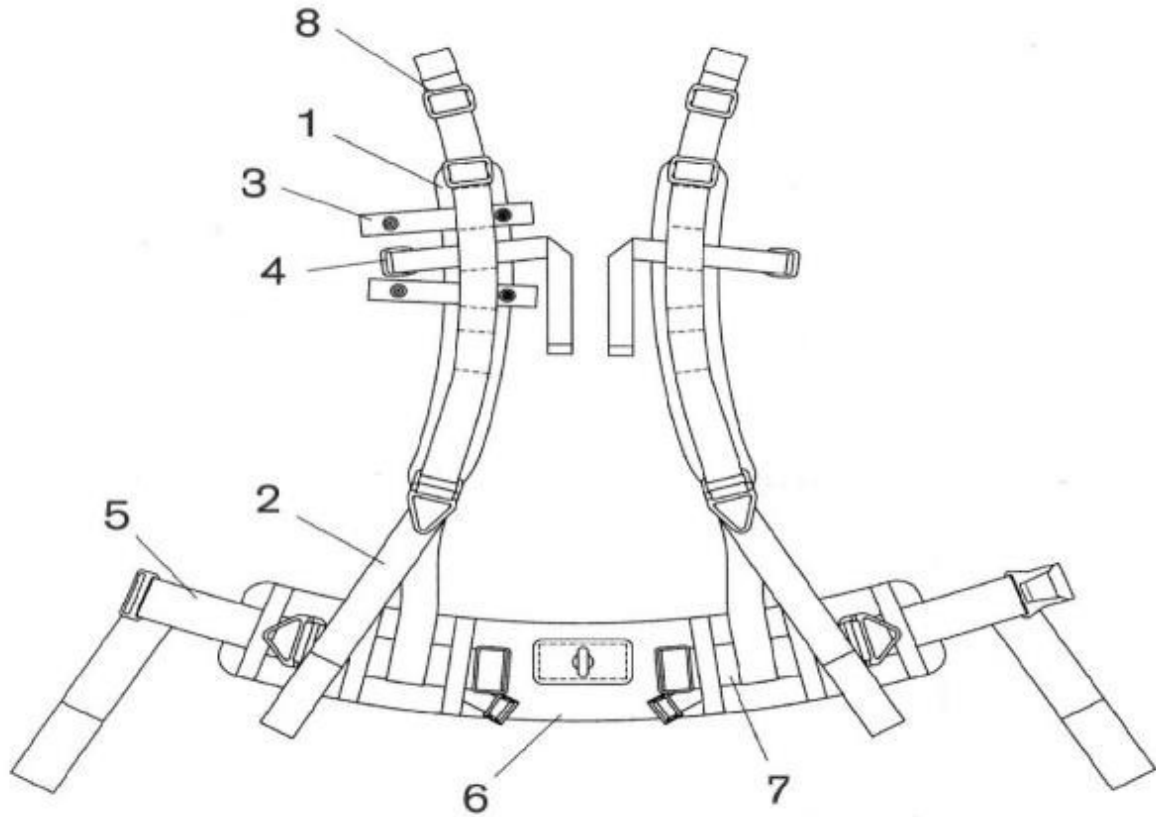
## Cover



1	2	1	2
Cons. No.	Designation	Cons. No.	Designation
1	Cover Shell	3	Grip Cap
2	Hinge	4	Button

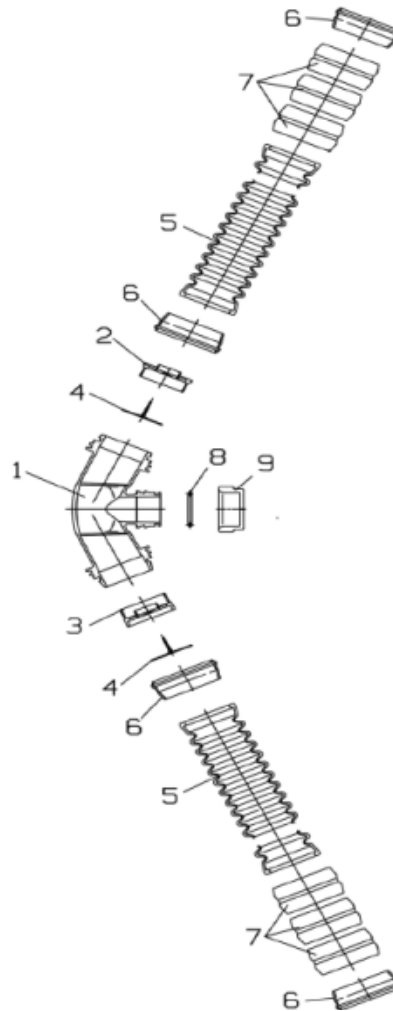


## Harness Assembly



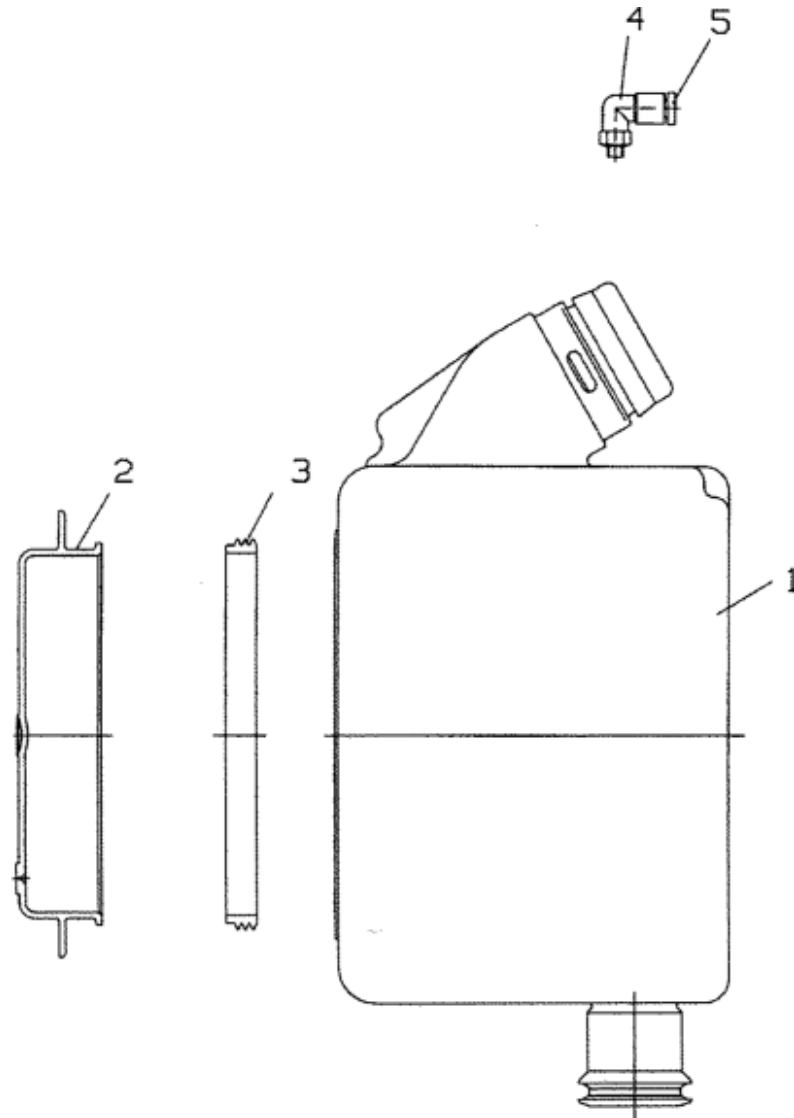
1 Cons. No.	2 Designation	1 Cons. No.	2 Designation
1	Shoulder Pad Assembly	5	Adjusting Belt Assembly
2	Shoulder Adjusting Strap	6	Waist belt
3	Hose Clip	7	Belt Assembly
4	Hose Strap Harness	8	Buckle

## Breathing Hose Assembly



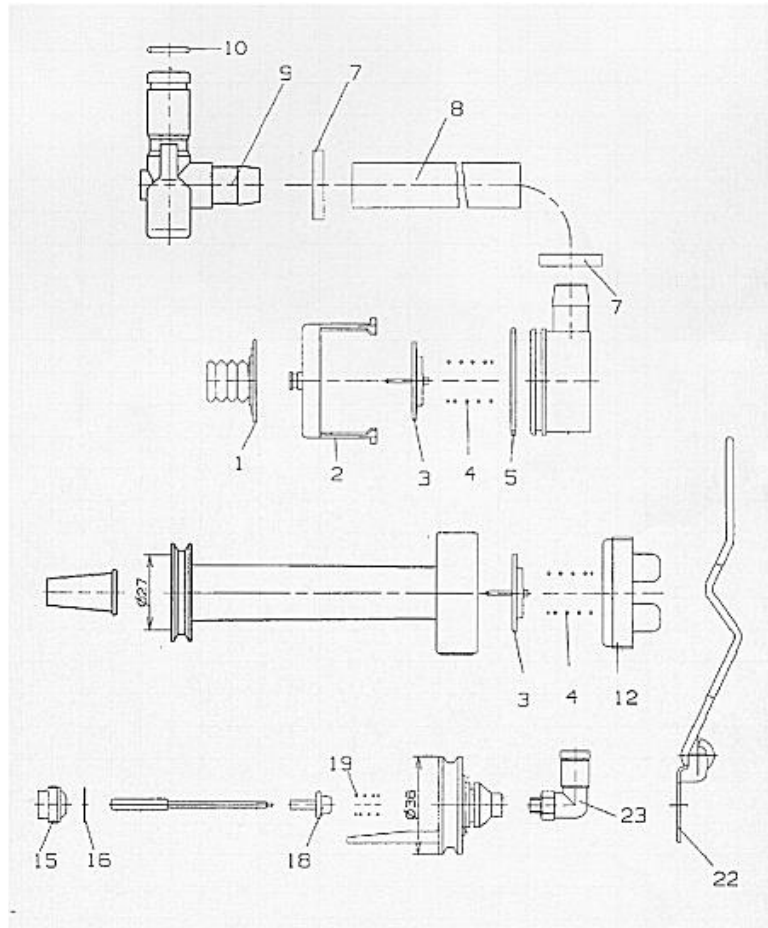
1	2	1	2
Cons. No.	Designation	Cons. No.	Designation
1	Coupling	6	Bayonet Ring
2	Inhalation Valve Seat	7	Anti-Crush rings
3	Exhalation Valve Seat	8	Toroidal Sealing Ring
4	Valve Disc	9	Sealing Cap
5	Corrugated Hose		

## Cooling Canister



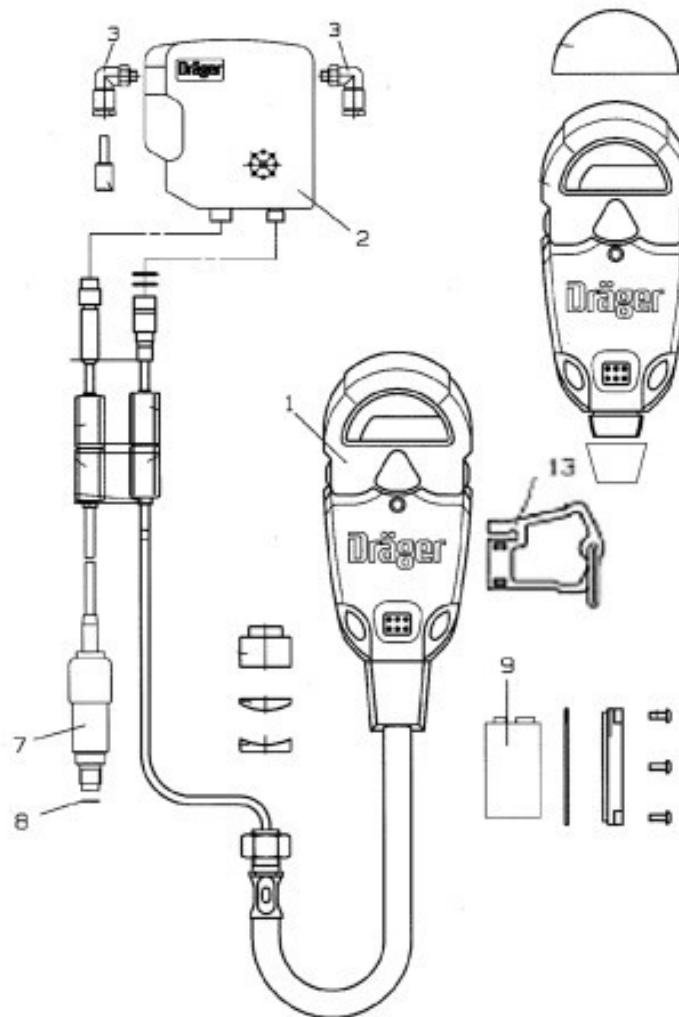
1 Cons. No.	2 Designation	1 Cons. No.	2 Designation
1	Cooler	4	Angle Connector
2	Cover for Cooler	5	Reaction Ring
3	Gasket		

## Drain/Relief/Minimum Valve Assembly



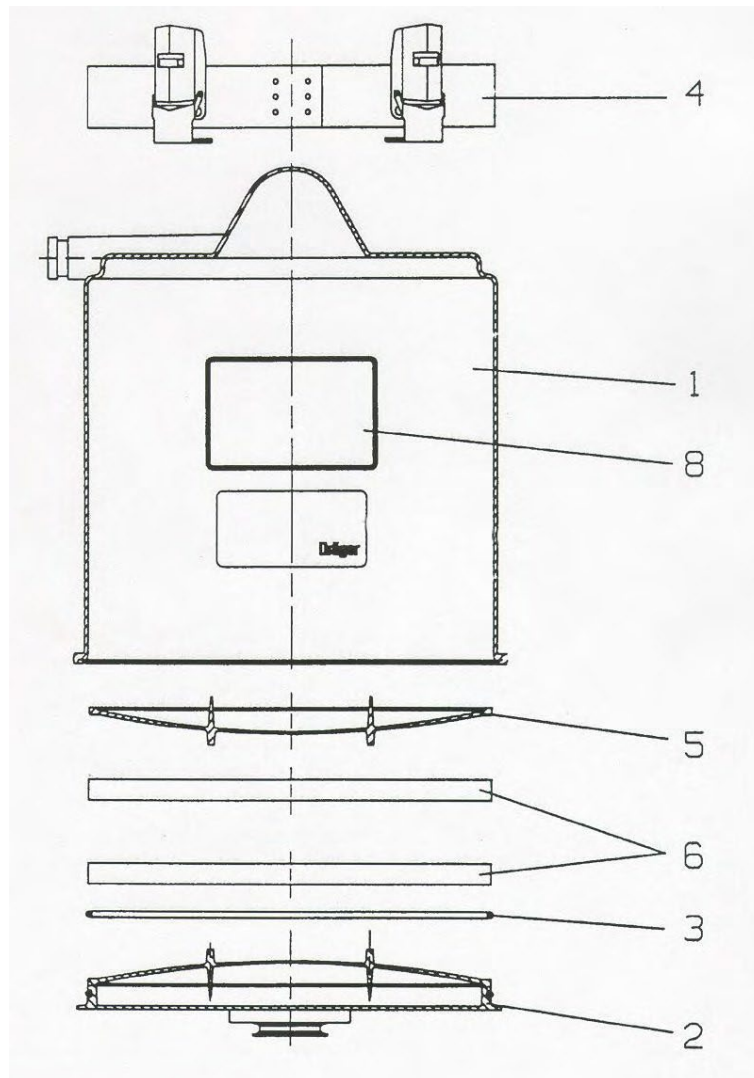
1	2	1	2
Cons. No.	Designation	Cons. No.	Designation
1	Valve Disc	12	Cap
2	Crater Case	15	Valve Crater
3	Valve Disc	16	Washer
4	Relief / Drain Valve Spring	18	Valve Plate
5	O-Ring	19	Spring
7	Clamp Fitting	22	Clamp, Minimum Valve
8	Hose	23	Angle Connector
9	Coupling		
10	O-Ring		

## Sentinel



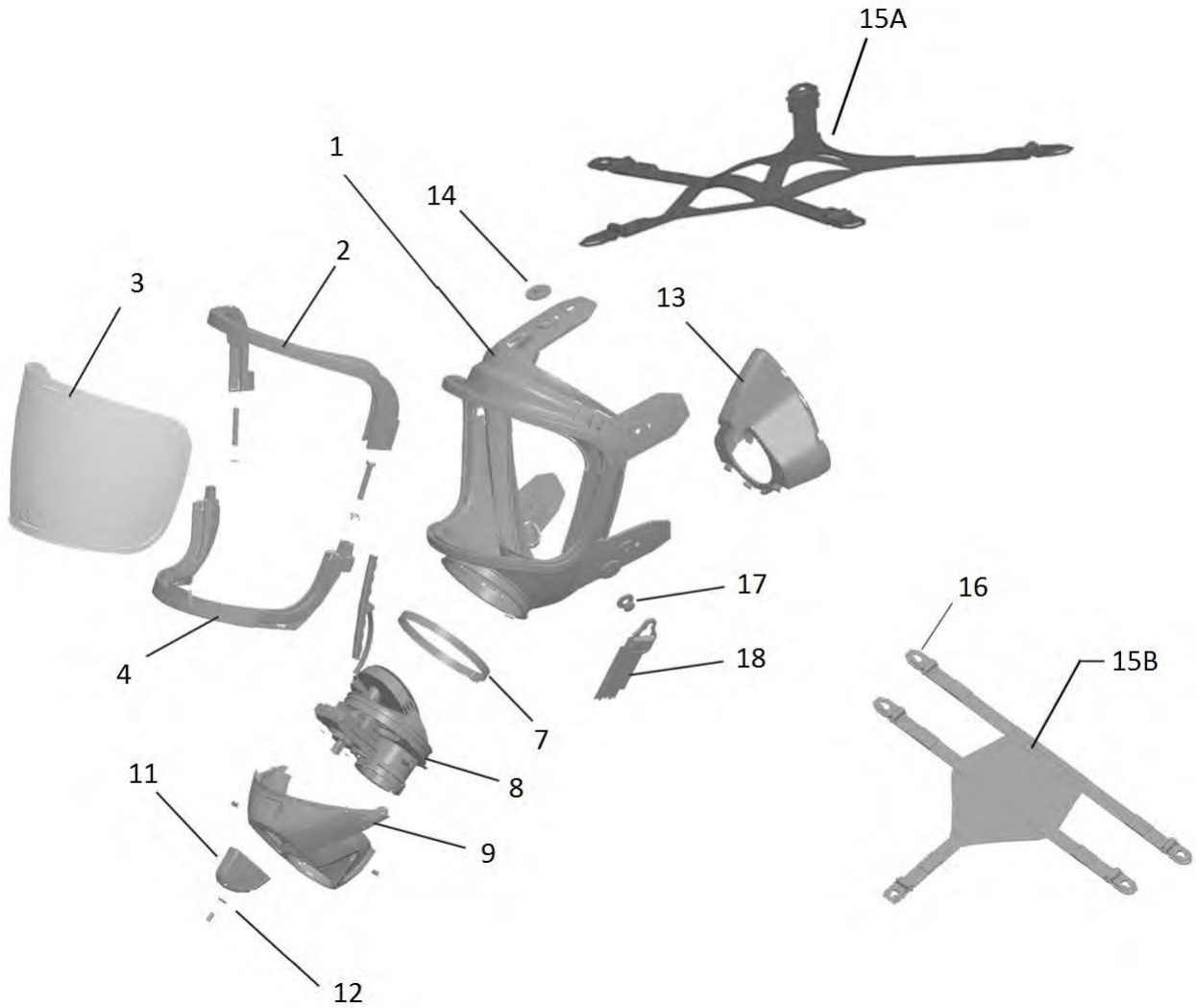
1	2	1	2
Cons. No.	Designation	Cons. No.	Designation
1	Sentinel	8	Copper Ring
2	Switch Box	9	9 volt battery
3	Angle Connector	13	Tally Key
7	Pressure Sensor		

## Refillable Cartridge



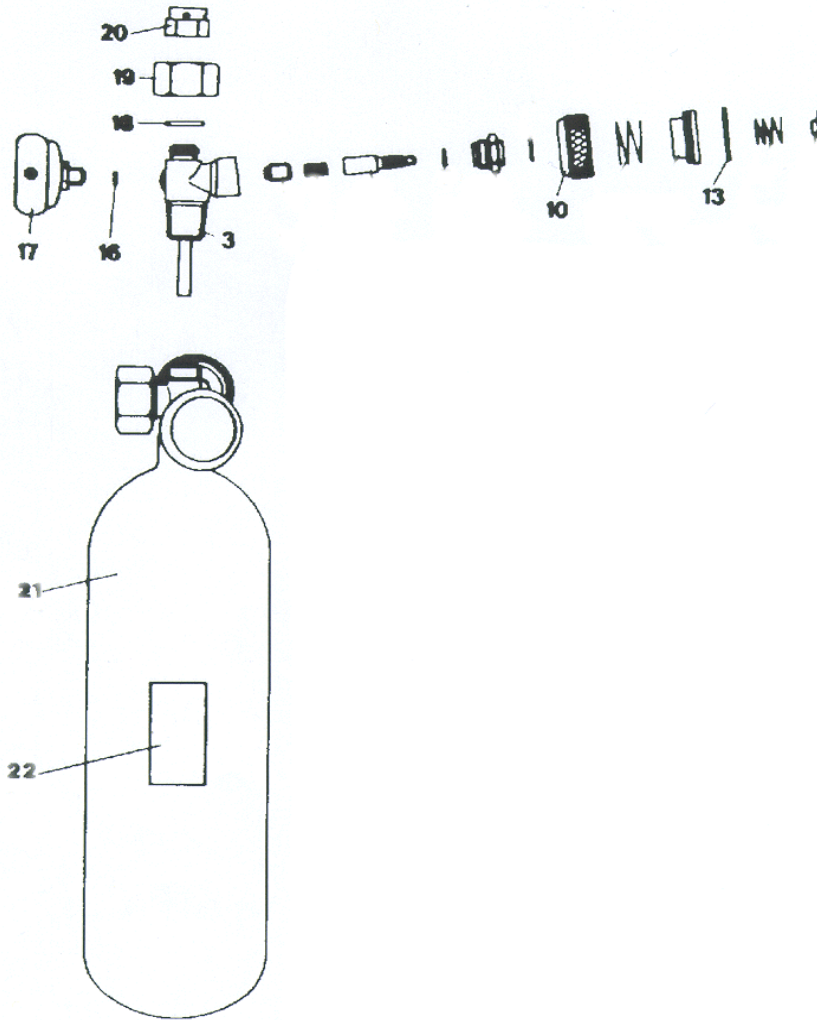
1	2	1	2
Cons. No.	Designation	Cons. No.	Designation
1-8	Refillable Cartridge	5	Refillable Scrubber Screen
2	Lid	6	Filter Mats
3	Seal, Refillable Cartridge	8	NIOSH Approval Label
4	Strap with Tension Spring Hook		

# FPS 7000 Mask



1	2	1	2
Cons. No.	Designation	Cons. No.	Designation
1	Mask Body FPS 7000	13	Inner Mask
2	Upper Visor Frame	14	Button
3	Visor	15A	Head Strap
4	Lower Visor Frame	15B	Hairnet
7	Clamp	16	Sliding Buckle
8	Connector Piece	17	Double Button
9	Cover	18	Neck Strap
11	Turning Knob		
12	Disc		

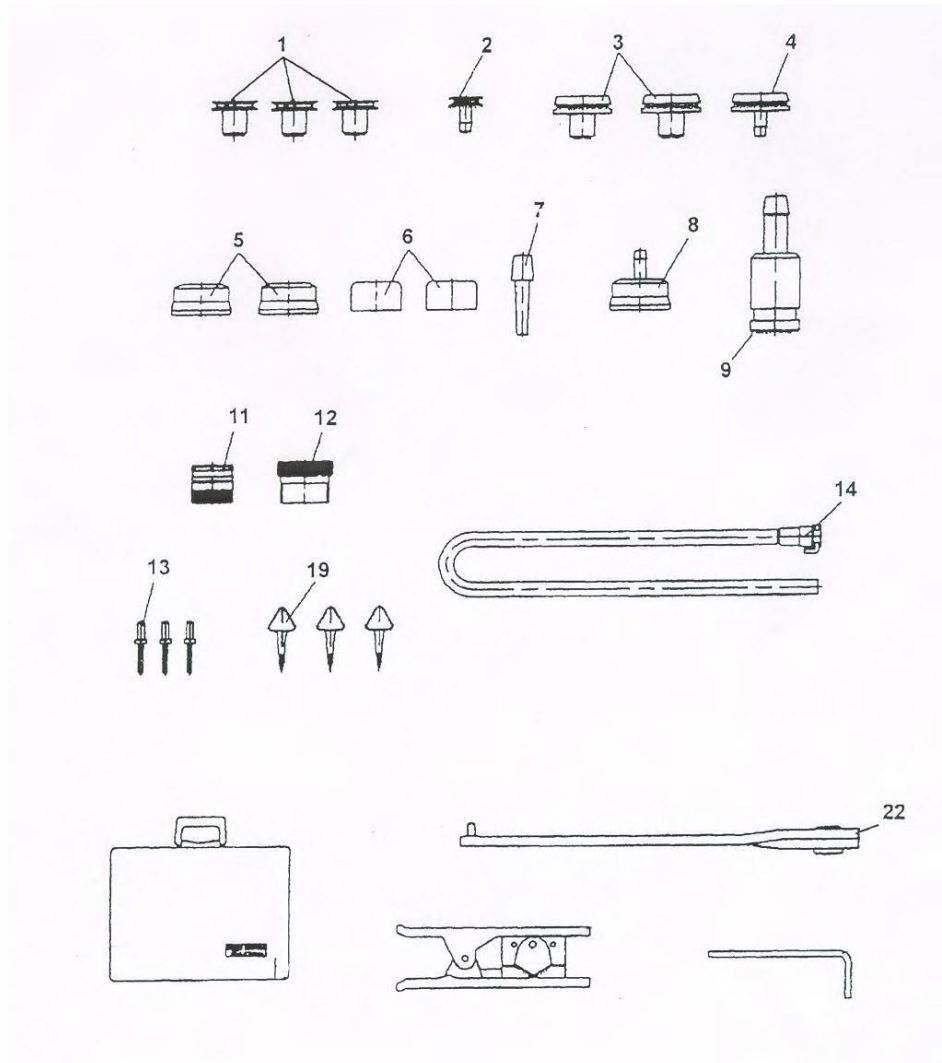
# Oxygen Cylinder



1 Cons. No.	2 Designation	1 Cons. No.	2 Designation
3	Valve Housing	18	Lock Washer
10	Hand-wheel	19	Lock Nut
13	Safety Ring	20	Bursting Disc
16	Sealing Ring	21	Oxygen Cylinder
17	Manometer	22	Label



## Test Kit



1 Cons. No.	2 Designation	1 Cons. No.	2 Designation
1	Plug For Breathing Bag	11	Sealing Plug for Mask
2	Nozzle For Breathing Bag	12	Test Adaptor
3	Sealing Plug (Corrugated Hose)	13	Sealing Plug for Plug In Conn.
4	Test Socket for Corrugated Hose	14	Test Hose/Metering Control
5	Sealing Cap for Corrugated Hose	19	Sealing Ring Lifters
6	Sealing Cap	22	Spanner
7	Testing Plug		
8	Test Cap for Corrugated Hose		
9	Test Connection for Control Valve		