AS Direct Fired LPG Vaporizers

- For Propane, Butane, and LPG
- Capacities from 50 gph to 480 gph
- ASME, NFPA, FM
- Two-Stage Burner Regulator
- Manual Drain
- Powder Coated Cabinet
- Liquid Carryover Protection
- Automatic Ignition/Re-Ignition—9VDC
- Factory Tested
What are LPG Vaporizers?

LPG vaporizers are actually boilers. Instead of boiling water, they boil propane, butane, or another LPG (Liquefied Petroleum Gas). It may sound strange that heat is required to vaporize LPG when propane will boil at -44 °F and butane at 32 °F, but, when LPG vaporizes by expansion alone, it causes a refrigeration action. In applications with high LPG flow, the uncontrolled vaporization would freeze valves and burner nozzles. Therefore, controlled heat is required to offset the refrigeration action.

How do Algas-SDI AS Direct Fired Vaporizers work?

Liquid LPG supply is connected to the Liquid Inlet Valve. A stainless steel ball is resting on the actuator for the Liquid Inlet Valve, opening the valve, and allowing liquid LPG to enter the Vaporization Tube. The liquid level will rise until the stainless steel ball is lifted off the Liquid Inlet Valve Actuator by the buoyancy effect.

LPG gas from naturally occurring vaporization is led through the dual stage Burner Pressure Regulator and the Temperature Control Valve to the Burner on the bottom of the unit, where it is lit by the Burner Pilot. The hot gases from the Burner rise upward along the Vaporization Tube. Metal fins along the Vaporization Tube increase the heat transfer from the hot gases to the Vaporization Tube and the liquid LPG. The LPG vapor exits through the Vapor Outlet in the rear of the vaporizer.

Several components in the design of the vaporizers act as safety devices:

- If the demand on the vaporizer is higher than the vaporization capacity, the liquid level in the Vaporization Tube would rise. This would not only close the Liquid Inlet Valve, but also push the stainless steel bell against the section of the Vapor Outlet inside the Vaporization Tube, thereby closing off the outlet pipe and preventing the exit of liquid propane through the Vapor Outlet. Only a small amount of gas would be allowed to escape through a tiny gap in the seat of the ball against the Vapor Outlet line, thereby equalizing the pressure inside the Vaporization Tube and the pressure in the vapor output line. At the same time, the Temperature Control Valve will detect the cool liquid at its sensor and will open the gas flow to the burner. The increased heat stimulates the vaporization process and returns the unit to normal operation.

- If the pilot light should be extinguished, the integrated Burner Thermocouple Assembly would detect the drop in temperature and interrupt the gas supply to the burner.

- If an overpressure-situation occurs, the Pressure Relief Valve safely vents the systems to the atmosphere.

The Drain Valve located at the back of the vaporizer, and the "Drip Leg Valve" allow the easy removal of contaminations from the unit ("Heavy Ends").
**Drawings, Specifications**

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**Other AS Direct Fired Vaporizers from Algas-SDI.**

Algas-SDI manufactures AS Direct Fired Vaporizers in capacities of up to 480 gallons per hour. These units consist of a battery of 2, 3, or 4 AS-80 or AS-120 units in a common cabinet, with all interconnecting piping and controls installed at the factory. The units operate in parallel mode. Safety features and other functions are identical with those of the base units AS-80 and AS-120.
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