

## Air Valves

### Combination Air Valve

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A pipeline designer therefore has to factor in all the aforesaid, the critical level of permissible vaccum inside a pipeline to prevent collapse vis-a-vis the suction and discharge capacity of an air valve (curves on request) before deciding upon the type, size, spacing and location of these air valves.

- Single Orifice Air Valve - Air relief during normal running
- Single Orifice Air Valve - Air release /Suction during filling or draining
- Dual Orifice Air Valve - Combination air valve
- IS 14845 and AWWA C512
- Anti Vaccum Valve

### Double Air Valves

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