

# Hydronic separator-manifold

## HydroLink™



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### Function

The Hydrolink, a new device combining a hydronic separator and distribution manifold, is used in heating and air-conditioning systems to allow different heat adjustments of the various rooms when there is only one boiler or chiller.

The various configurations are compact, and can be easily fitted in any kind of hydronic circuit, with the advantages of ease of installation and a saving of useful living space.

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### Product range

Part # 31091	External 2+2 separator-manifold. Complete with support brackets and pre-formed insulation	Size 1 1/4"; branches 1"
Part # 31092	External 3+1 separator-manifold. Complete with support brackets and pre-formed insulation	Size 1 1/4"; branches 1"
Part # 31090	Built-in 2+1 separator-manifold. Complete with pre-formed insulation	Size 1"; branches 1"

### Technical characteristics

#### Body

Material: - Body:	Painted steel
Medium:	Water and non-hazardous glycol solutions
Max percentage of glycole:	50%
Max. working pressure:	90 psi (6 bar)
Temperature range:	32 to 230°F (0 ÷ 110°C)
Connections: - main:	3+1 and 2+2: 1 1/4" F NPT
	2+1: 1" F NPT
- branches:	3+1 and 2+2: 1" M NPT
	2+1 (bottom): 1" M NPT
	2+1 (side): 1" F NPT
- air vent valve:	3+1, 2+2 and 2+1: 1/2" F straight
- drain cock:	3+1, 2+2 and 2+1: 1/2" F straight
Center distances: - main:	3+1 and 2+2: 3 1/8" (80 mm)
	2+1: 2 3/8" (60 mm)
- branches:	3+1 and 2+2: 3 1/2" (90 mm)
	2+1: 3 1/2" (90 mm)

#### Insulation

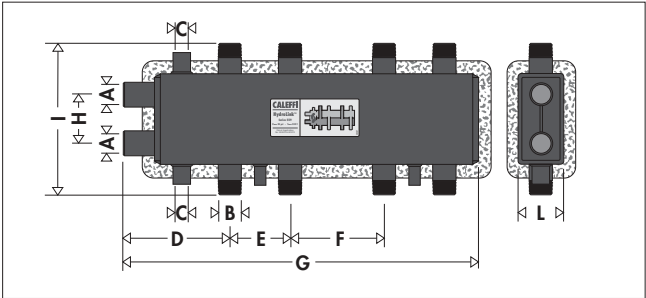
Material:	Closed-cell expanded PEX
Thickness:	3/4" (20 mm)
Density:	- inner part: 2 lb/ft³ (30 kg/m³)
	- outer part: 3 lb/ft³ (50 kg/m³)
Thermal conductivity:	- at 32°F (0°C): 0.26 BTU/in (.038 W/mK)
	- at 100°F (40°C): 0.31 BTU/in (.045 W/mK)
Vapor resistance coefficient (DIN 52615):	> 1.300
Temperature range:	32 to 212°F (0÷100°C)
Fire resistance (DIN 4102):	Class 1 (Class B2)

#### Flow Characteristics

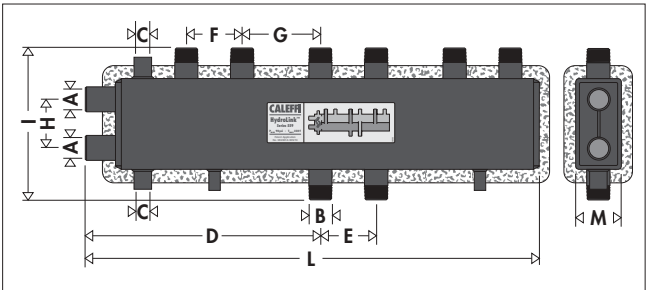
Maximum recommended flow rates at connections:

Branches	Primary	Secondary (total)
2+1	9 gpm (2.0 m³/h)	22 gpm (5 m³/h)
2+2	11 gpm (2.5 m³/h)	26 gpm (6 m³/h)
3+1	11 gpm (2.5 m³/h)	26 gpm (6 m³/h)

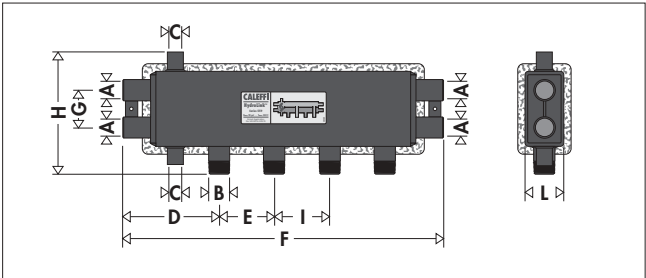
Dimensions



Part	A	B	C	D	E	F	G	H	I	L	Weight (lb)	Volume (gal)
31091	1 1/4"	1"	1/2"	6 5/16"	3 9/16"	5 1/2"	20 7/8"	3 1/8"	9 7/8"	3 1/8"	29	1,8



Part	A	B	C	D	E/F	G	H	I	L	M	Weight (lb)	Volume (gal)
31092	1 1/4"	1"	1/2"	15 3/8"	3 9/16"	5 1/2"	3 1/8"	9 7/8"	29 15/16"	3 1/8"	39	2,6



Part	A	B	C	D	E	F	H	I	L	Weight (lb)	Volume (gal)
31090	1"	1"	1/2"	6 1/8"	3 9/16"	20 1/2"	7 11/16"	3 9/16"	2 3/8"	16	1

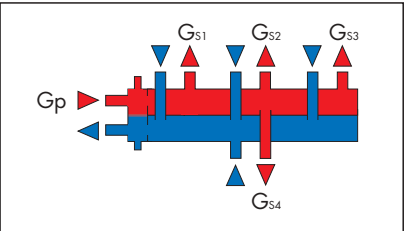
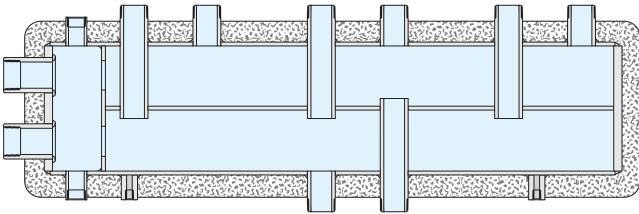
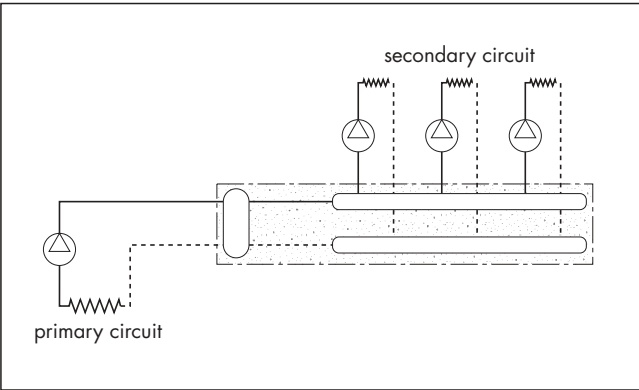
Operating principle

When a single system contains a primary generating circuit, with its own pump, and a secondary user circuit, with one or more distribution pumps, operating conditions may arise in the system where the pumps interact, creating abnormal variations in flow rates and pressures in the circuits.

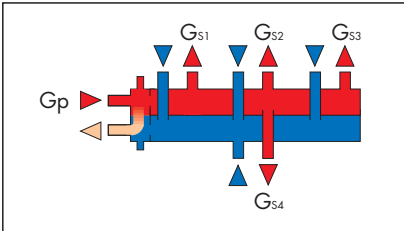
In the HydroLink there is a low pressure loss zone, which enables the primary and secondary circuits connected to it to be hydraulically independent of each other; **the flow in one circuit does not create a flow in the other if the pressure loss in the common section is negligible.**

In this case, the flow rates passing through the respective circuits depend exclusively on the flow characteristics of the pumps, preventing reciprocal influence due to connection in series. Downstream of the hydronic separation zone are the flow and return manifolds to which the various secondary distribution circuits can be connected.

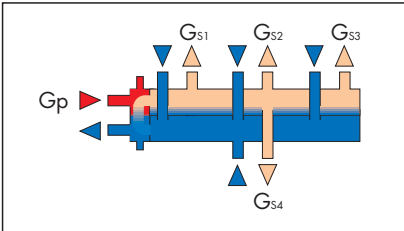
Three possible hydronic balance situations are shown below as examples.



$G_{primary} = G_{secondary} (G_{S1} + G_{S2} + G_{S3} + G_{S4})$



$G_{primary} > G_{secondary} (G_{S1} + G_{S2} + G_{S3} + G_{S4})$

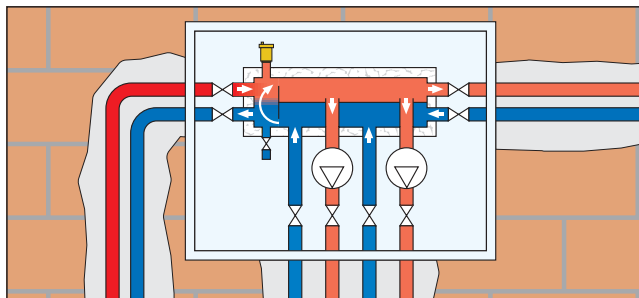
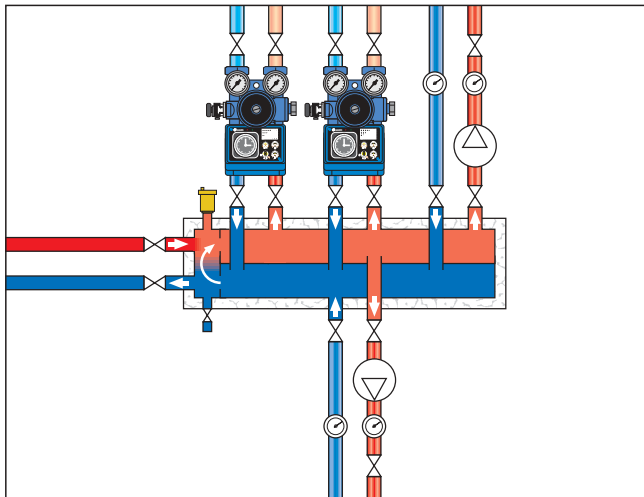


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## Installation

HydroLink units should be installed in accordance with the diagrams shown in this leaflet, ensuring the correct connection of the flow and return pipework and the main and branch connections. HydroLinks units can even be installed upside down, as long as the connection logic shown is adhered to.

The 1/2" F connections must only be used for connecting an air vent valve and drain cock, and not for connecting branch circuits.



## Insulation

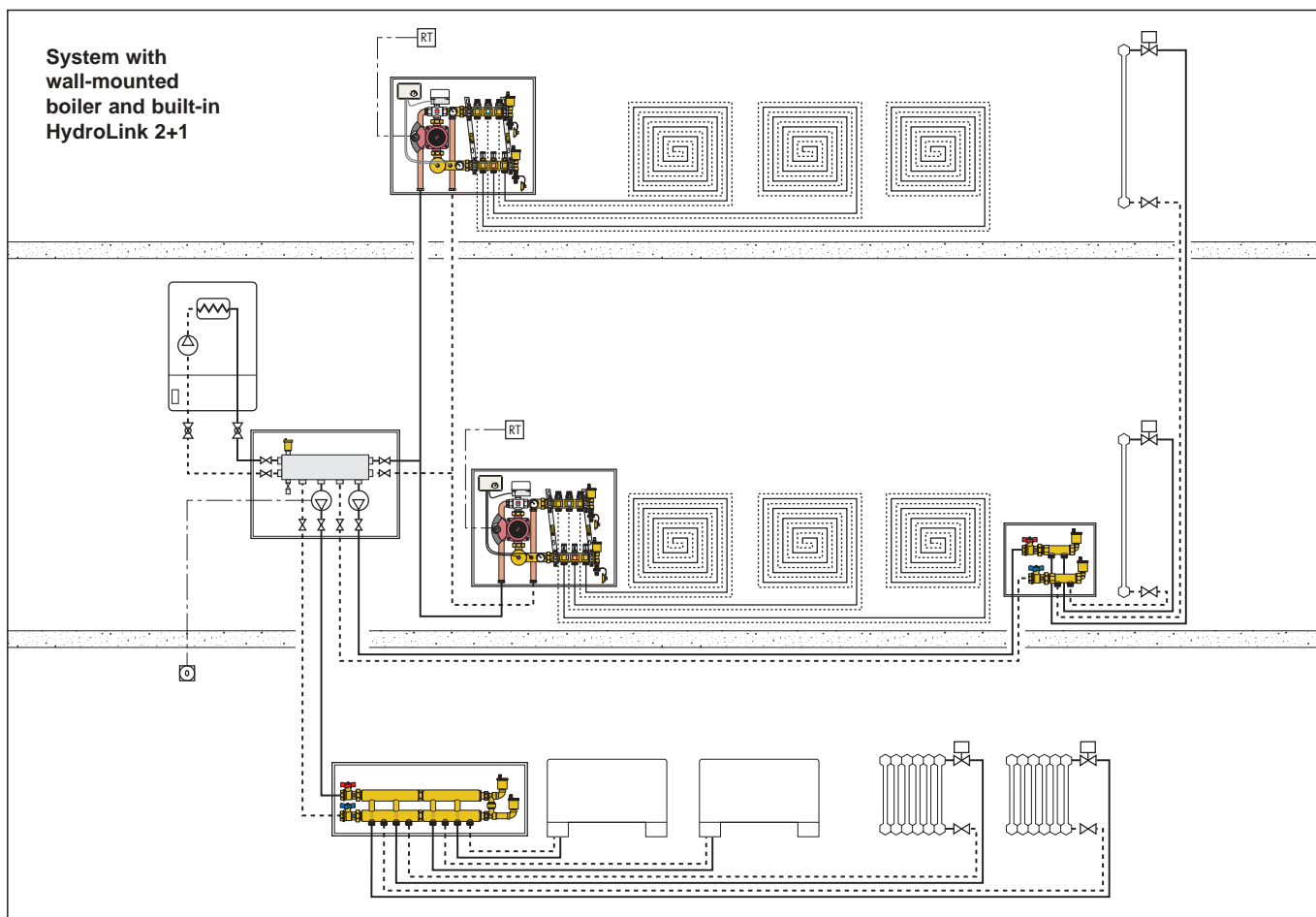
The Hydrolink is supplied with heat-preformed shell insulation. This system ensures not only perfect heat insulation but also the tightness required to prevent atmospheric water vapour from entering the unit. For this reason, this type of insulation may also be used in cooling water circuits, as it prevents condensation from forming on the surface of the valve body.

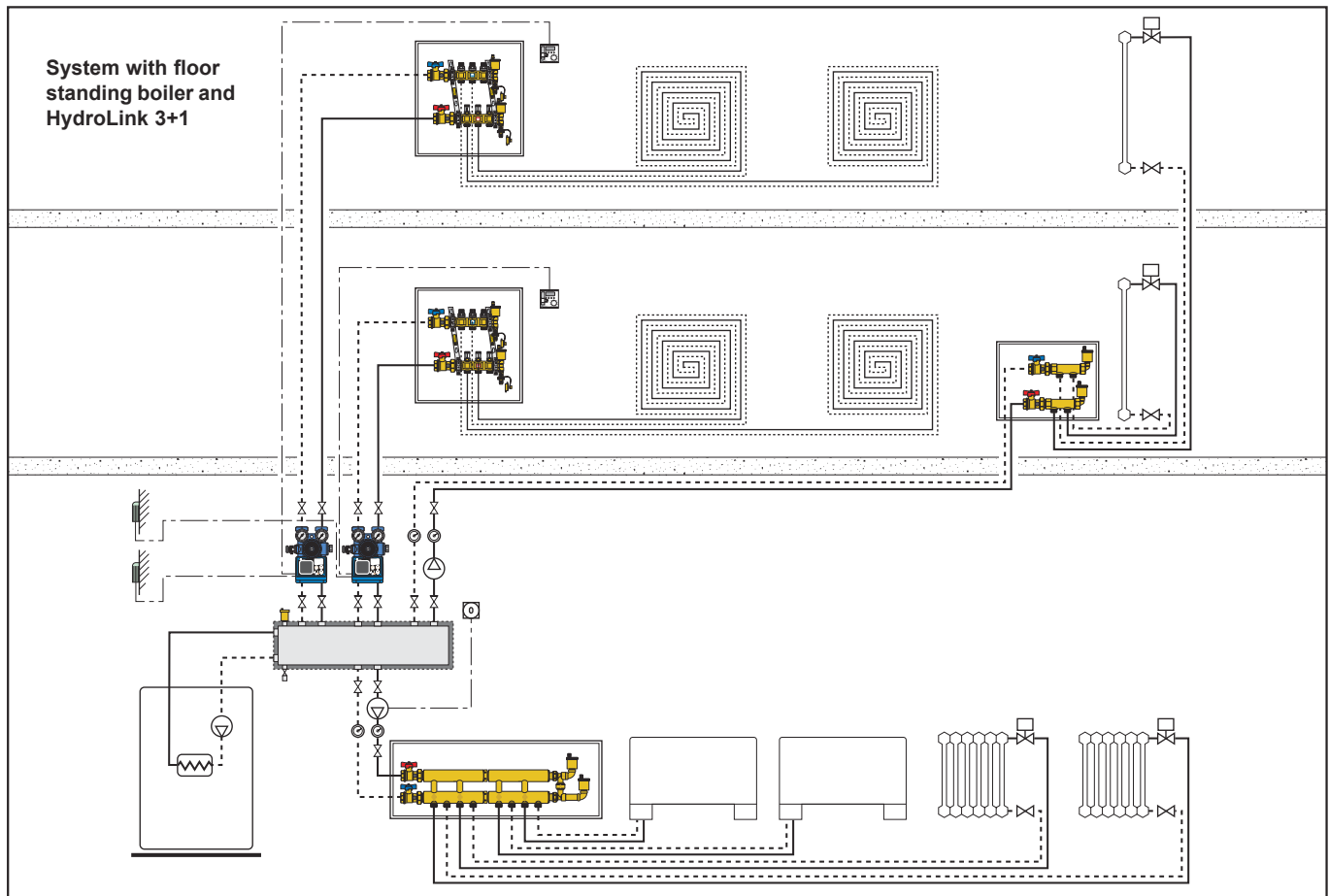
## Support brackets

The HydroLink external versions 2+2 and 3+1 are supplied complete with suitable wall-mounting brackets, which make it possible to adjust the front-to-back positioning.



## Application diagrams





#### SPECIFICATION SUMMARIES

##### Part # 31091

External hydraulic separator-manifold, branches 2+2, for heating and air-conditioning systems. Painted steel body. Connections to generator 1 1/4" F, centre distance 3 1/8" (80 mm) . Branch connections 1" M, centre distance 3 1/2" (90 mm) . 1/2" F connections for air vent valve and drain cock. Max. working pressure 90 psi (6 bar) . Temperature range 32 to 230°F (0÷110°C) . Complete with support brackets.

##### Part # 31092

External hydraulic separator-manifold, branches 3+1, for heating and air-conditioning systems. Painted steel body. Connections to generator 1 1/4" F, centre distance 3 1/8" (80 mm) . Branch connections 1" M, centre distance 3 1/2" (90 mm) . 1/2" F connections for air vent valve and drain cock. Max. working pressure 90 psi (6 bar) . Temperature range 32 to 230°F (0÷110°C) . Complete with support brackets.

##### Part # 31090

Built-in hydraulic separator-manifold, branches 2+1, for heating and air-conditioning systems. Painted steel body. Connections to generator 1" F, centre distance 2 3/8" (60 mm) . Side branch connections 1" M, centre distance 3 1/2" (90 mm) . Head branch connections 1" F, centre distance 2 3/8" (60 mm) . 1/2" F connections for air vent valve and drain cock. Max. working pressure 90 psi (6 bar) . Temperature range 32 to 230°F (0÷110°C) .

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