# MGF-ST Gravimetric Feeders

# Gravimetric feeder for the price of a volumetric model

Eliminate waste of colorants and additives with this compact loss-in-weight feeder that precisely measures the amount of additive that is fed directly into the machine throat.

Full function gravimetric feeder for the price of a volumetric model.

## 4 Standard Modes of Operation

Cyclical, continuous, extrusion following and rate (vol/hr). -ST models utilize a contact closure signal from the injection machine while the extrusion following mode depends on a 0-10 VDC proportional signal from the extruder drive.

\* See NOTE below

### **Reduces Input Error**

The easiest setup procedure in the industry: enter let-down ratio and either shot weight or lb/hr output and press start. Feeder automatically adjusts to screw recovery time and extruder output.

### **Fine Metering Resolution**

100 rpm Stepper Motor advances at 200 increments per revolution. In combination with digital control, the 200-step rotation achieves fine metering resolution of  $\pm$  0.2%.

## Automatic Re-calibration

Ensures Continuous Accuracy Automatic adjustments guarantee that feed rate is held to within ± 0.2% of desired let-down ratio.

### **Dual Load Cells**

Balanced load readings improve accuracy.

### **Torque-limiting Drive Coupling**

Protects drive motor in case of jammed auger.

### Easy-to-Use Microprocessor

Controller Saves Time User-friendly controller has intuitive setup procedure.

## USB Port

Allows data download, data printout and software update capability.

#### **Detailed Material Usage**

Documentation Microprocessor control allows data collection via G2 networking software, or MLAN protocol via Ethernet.

### **Eliminates Downtime Associated**

with Color Change Feeder automatically e-calibrates to new color, so no additional setup required. Spare hoppers available for faster color changes.

\* NOTE: When selecting an MGF feeder, you will need to determine if your machine/extruder will use as the input signal: a contact closure or a 24-250V voltage signal.

For a contact closure, order the MGF-X-ST for injection molding or extrusion.

For a 24-250V signal order the MGF-X-STV only for injection molding.





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The MGF proven loss-in-weight technology automatically calibrates itself, totally eliminating manual catch-and-weigh calibration procedures and even more common and erroneous guessing of metering rates.

No tools required for assembly or removal of load cell assembly, hopper and metering device.

The throat adapter fits readily on most processing machine throats and easily supports nearly any main material supply hopper.

## **Dual Load Cells**



Hopper is mounted on two load cells to prevent distorted readings from cantilevered loads in the hopper.

## **No Tools Required**

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Load cell assembly slips easily into place. The metering device is locked in place by two clips and can be quickly removed.



Hopper easily removed.

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# Easy To Use Microprocessor Controller

- >Large, user-friendly keypads for easy input
- Back-lit LCD display
- Can be mounted remotely with optional extension cables
- Password protection

Alarm light indicates low-load (2-3 lb) in hopper



Conveniently located On/Off power switch and Run/Stop switch



#### Injection **EASY SET-UP** ENTER PASSWORD SETTINGS ==== CHANGE PASSWORD MODE: CYCLE **Password Protection** UNITS: LIST Choose the mode of operation for your process: **CYCLE** for injection OR === CALIBRATION === ZERO CALIBRATION FULL CALIBRATION ==== MAIN MENU ===== ▶SHOT WT 2000 G CONTINUOUS, EXTRUSION FOLLOWING or **RATE** for extrusion applications LDR. 3.00% ====== 1866 Easy Initial Calibration Enter let-down ratio "LDR" and either shot size "SHOT/WT." or extruder output "LBS./HOUR" == METERING Extrusion MOTOR FACTOR 50 Press "RUN" ADJUST. TR LOW WEIGHT SETTINGS ==== TRIP CHANGE PASSWORD Ø0 CONTINUOUS -MODE: Adjustable low-weight alarm UNITS: US1 for supply hopper As material is metered into the feed throat, the dual load cells under the loss-in-weight hopper ==== LOADER ===== ==== MAIN MENU detect material usage LOADER ON ►LBS/HOUR LOADER ON LOADER OFF 10009 LDR 3.00% Loss-in-weight data is gathered by the controller 200091 1867 == and Loader Weight Settings monitored continuously



## Specifications:

	MGF-3-ST		MGF-4-ST		MGF-8-ST	
	Inches	mm	Inches	mm	Inches	mm
Auger Diameter	3/8"	9.5	1/2"	12.7	1"	25.4
Extrusion	lb/hr*	Kg/hr*	lb/hr*	Kg/hr*	lb/hr*	Kg/hr*
Minimum Rate	0.4	0.18	0.6	0.3	4	1.8
Maximum Rate	8	3.6	40	18	120	55
Injection	shot size x LDR / screw recovery = grams/second					
Maximum Rate	1 gm/sec 5 gm/sec 20 gm/		n/sec			
Minimum Dispense	0.25 gram		0.5 gram		5 gram	

\*Based on material density of 55lb/ft<sup>3</sup> (881 Kg/m<sup>3</sup>)

## MGF Configuration – ST vs. STV

The standard MGF-X-ST stepper configuration can be used for either injection or extrusion applications. The injection mode utilizes a contact closure from the machine as a means of detecting the plastification time while the extrusion mode input will accept a 0-10 Vdc proportional signal from the extruder drive.

MGF-X-STV is the alternate option. The input circuitry is voltage sensing. The V suffix represents voltage and is a different circuit board which does not have extrusion following capability. This model is injection only.

- X = 3 for 3/8"
- X = 4 for 1/2"
- X = 8 for 1"

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Dry Contact Signal		
MGF-3-ST	M	
3/8" Auger	1/2	
Stepper motor	Step	
Dry contract injection	Dry con	
0-10 extrusion	0-10	

MGF Machine Mounting Frames		
Model	Thro	
865-40	For smaller injecti	
SGF-3	For large extrude	
SGF-4		
SGF-5		
0PF-P40	Pedes	
OPF-MKT*	TI	

\*MGF option with tower bin

MGF-ST Remote Controller and Lo Extension kits for remote mounting of		
Model	Cable	
AEK-GSC-05	5ft (	
AEK-GSC-10	10ft	
AEK-GSC-20	20ft	
AEK-GSV-05	5ft (	
AEK-GSV-10	10ft	
AEK-GSV-20	20ft	



(typically newer	machines)	24-120 Volt Signal (typically older machines)			
iF-4-ST	MGF-8-ST	MGF-3-STV	MGF-4-STV	MGF-8-STV	
2" Auger	1" Auger	3/8" Auger	1/2" Auger	1" Auger	
per motor	Stepper motor	Stepper motor	Stepper motor	Stepper motor	
tract injection	Dry contract injection	24-120 volt injection signal	24-120 volt injection signal	24-120 volt injection signal	
extrusion	0-10 extrusion	-	-	-	

at Mounting Adaptor	Frame	Feed hole	Material Baffle with Sight Window
on molding machines and extruders	-	-	-
ers and injection molding machines	Black square 10" x 10"	3"	Included with MGF – only additional frames
Throat adapter	Black square 10" x 10"	4"	In lieu of SCF standard
Throat adapter	Black square 10" x 10"	5"	In lieu of SCF standard
tal throat mount adapter	Black square 8" x 8"	3"	In lieu of SCF frame
nroat mount adapter	White frame 8" x 8"	3"	In lieu of SCF frame

<b>pader Kit</b> the control box		MGF Single Material Gravimetric Feeder – MGF Screw Conversion Kits			
e drop		Model	Stepper Motor*		
1.5m)		kitF-001	3/8" Auger	without	
: (3m)		kitF-001M	3/8" Auger	with	
: (6m)		kitF-002	1/2" Auger	without	
1.5m)		kitF-002M	1/2" Auger	with	
: (3m)		kitF-005	1" Auger	without	
: (6m)		kitF-005M	1" Auger	with	

\*For frequent changes KIT with Motor recommended

<b>MGF Venturi Loader System</b> Venturi operated automatic loading system – MGF Hopper		
AGL-ST	Stepper motor	

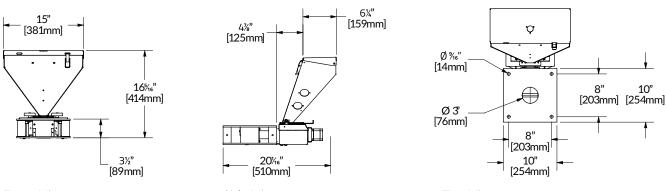
MGF Remote Alarm		
OPF-GRA Factory fitted USA		
kitF-003	Field retrofit	

MGF Spare Controller		
ACA-GS Generation 6 stepper motor (dry contact)		
ACA-GSV	Generation 6 stepper motor (voltage signal)	



## Specifications: Dimensions in inches and [mm]

## MGF-ST

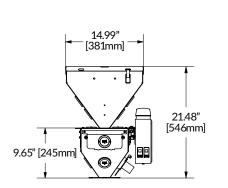


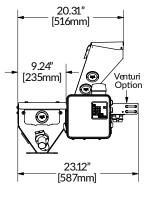
Front View

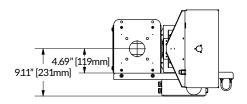
Side View

Top View

## MGF Throat Mount Adaptor with White Frame 8" x 8"







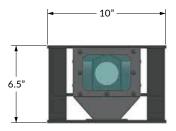
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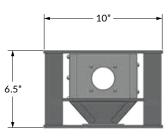
Top View

## SGF – MGF Throat Mount Adaptor with Black Frame

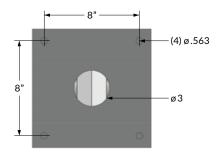
Throat adapter has blind flanges for custom drilling



Front View



Side View



Top View

## AGL Venturi Loader

(optional) Exclusive, cost effective loading solution, ensures dosing accuracy of ± 0.1% of set point. Loader is automatically activated by MGF controller.



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