WARNING!

Before replacing actuator, damper must be inspected and determined to be fully functional. See NFPA 80 &/or NFPA 105 for recommended check list.

Replacement of Air Balance Honeywell ML & MS with Belimo FSxx Series Actuators

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WARNING!

Installer must be trained and experienced with repair of fire and smoke dampers and actuators.
In the “Marking & Application Guide, Dampers for Fire Barrier and Smoke Applications & Ceiling Dampers” April 2013 by Underwriters Laboratories Inc.®, page 6 they state:

DAMPER ACTUATORS

“… field mounting or substitution of actuators is not covered within the scope of the UL certification of the product. However, this does not necessarily preclude replacement of actuators in the field. Like any appliance, field servicing of these products is not covered under the scope of the UL certification and factory follow-up service program. As with any part of the damper, it is expected that replacement of actuators in the field be done in accordance with the damper manufacturer’s normal field servicing program.”

**Code and Standard Issues**

In general, the administrative section of codes states that all mechanical and electrical systems must be kept in working order and an individual section may state that all life safety devices and systems must be operable. NFPA 80 (Fire) & NFPA 105 (Smoke) require periodic testing and repair of dampers as soon as possible after any deficiency is uncovered. Required testing is shown in the chart below.

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Fire & smoke dampers are appliances and field replacement of components is required when failure of any component occurs.

The Authority Having Jurisdiction (local Fire Marshal and/or Building Official) must be consulted if any blade or auxiliary switches are employed and are connected to the fire alarm system or to a Fire Fighters Smoke Control System (FSCS) panel. Retesting is required. A permit and inspection may be required since connections to an alarm system have been touched.
NFPA 80 (Fire) & NFPA 105 (Smoke)

NFPA requires damper inspection and repair of dampers. See [www.nfpa.org](http://www.nfpa.org) for Standards. Details not covered here.

See NFPA 80 & NFPA 105 for details. The damper cleaning and examination check list here is based on them.

Damper installation shall meet code requirements. Fire stopping and drywall integrity shall be confirmed. Damper blades shall be in plane of wall. Duct shall be fall away with no fasteners connected to damper sleeve.

a. Dampers and ducts shall be cleaned of all foreign debris and dust build-up.
b. All exposed moving parts of the damper shall be dry lubricated as required by the manufacturer. Do not use oil as it draws dirt.
c. Damper shall be examined without defective old motor or new actuator to determine:
   i. The damper shall fully close from the open position.
   ii. Damper shall fully open from the closed position.
   iii. There are no obstructions to the operation of the damper. The damper shall not be blocked from closure in any way due to rusted, bent, misaligned, or damaged frame or blades. The damper shall not have defective hinges, side &/or blade seals, or other moving parts. The damper frame shall not be penetrated by any foreign objects that would affect operation.
d. If the damper is equipped with a fusible link, the link shall be removed for testing to ensure full closure and lock-in-place if so equipped. If the link is damaged or painted, it shall be replaced with a link of the same size, temperature, and load rating.
e. The fusible link shall be reinstalled after testing is complete.

After installation and wiring of new actuator it shall be tested.
a. The checklist may be customized using material here and in NFPA Standards. Multiple geometric configurations of springs, fusible link, thermal sensor(s), and actuation are possible. Confirm with AHJ if any additional requirements exist.
b. Electric thermal sensors, if present, must be tested and replaced if defective.
c. The test shall be conducted with normal HVAC airflow.
d. When equipped with smoke detection activation, the smoke detector shall be activated and damper operation observed.

Test voltage input to actuators and repair as necessary if voltage is not correct. Old breakers often deliver below 115V and failed actuators may be due to power supply problems.

A record of all repairs must be kept on site and made available to AHJ.
Local Code Approval

While it is not detailed in codes, the following rules should be followed for selecting Belimo actuators for replacement:

Check the technical specifications to ensure an “equal or better” actuator is used.

- **Temperature** – the replacement actuator shall have been UL555S tested at the same or better temperature as the original actuator. 250°F or 350°F are standard.
- **Time** – the replacement actuator shall drive open and spring closed at a speed equal or faster than presently required by codes. (The AHJ may grant an exception and “grandfather” slower actuators where the original actuator was slower.)
- **Torque** – replacement actuator shall have equal or greater torque than the failed actuator.
- **Voltage** – replacement actuator shall have the same voltage rating as the original.
- **Amperage** – the replacement actuator(s) shall not draw more amperage than the original(s) and cause the total connected amp draw on a circuit breaker to be greater than allowed by electrical code.
- **Final Testing** – actuated damper and associated devices shall be tested for proper operation. See Fire Marshal Notification Form on last page.

(Mnemonic device: TTT-VAT)

**WARNING!**

In all cases, installation must comply with any and all local electrical and life safety codes. Operation of the system after installation must be performed to verify proper damper cycling. Final checkout requires verifying correct function.

**NEGATOR SPRING DAMPERS**

Where old negator spring damper motors were replaced by a Honeywell, the spring should have been removed and a new thermal sensor installed. If this has not been done, call Belimo for special instructions.


**WARNING!**

Disconnect and lock out power before starting to disconnect old motor.
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The FSTF series actuators were introduced in 2013. They are 18 in-lb and designed for under 1.5 sq.ft. of fire and smoke damper. Use on larger dampers only when replacing an existing FSTF on a fire and smoke damper.

The FSLF is recommended for small dampers.

Belimo actuators pass UL555S at the same damper sizes as the Honeywell.  

NOTE. Although an actuator may operate a larger sized damper use the UL listed sizing. Call for assistance.
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1. Direct couple the Belimo where shaft is available. Some were direct coupled.
2. FSTF <1.5 sq.ft.   FSLF <4 sq.ft.
3. FSNF <12 sq.ft.    FSAF*A <18 sq.ft.
5. Motor was not 90 degree and pulley and cable were usually used. Some geometric changes are necessary to simplify.
6. Provide photos. Motor, linkage, blades, fusible link, McCabe © Link, Typically direct couple to damper shaft if available. Otherwise, investigation necessary.
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| GND12x.1x    | 24V   | FSLF24             |
| GND22x.1x    | 120V  | FSLF120            |
| GND32x.1x    | 230V  | FSLF230            |

Electronic Fuse Link (24 Vac)

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Optional

Two Auxiliary Switches Fixed 5° and 85°

Fire & Smoke Damper Technical Details

A number of different brackets have been used. All allow mounting of Belimo.

**WARNING!**

Read Data Sheet provided in box with each actuator for specific wiring details.
Replacement Instructions

1. Disconnect power and wires from motor in wiring compartment.
2. Disconnect flex connection from actuator to mounting base.
3. Loosen set screws on shaft and 4 screws holding motor to base. Remove motor.
4. Several anti-rotation mounting scenarios are possible. See Mounting Methods below.
5. Mount Belimo FSLF or FSNF over shaft.
7. Close damper tightly, tighten nuts on clamp.
8. Pull out old wires and pull Belimo wires thru flex. Cut off excess. Wire nut Belimo wires to existing sensor wires.
9. Connect green ground on 120V models. Connect hot and neutral (or common if 24VAC). See Wiring Methods below.

Conformance test required. See Fire Marshal form on last page.
Mounting Methods

Actuators are mounted on the sleeve of the damper in some cases with a remote sensor and sometimes within the sheet metal bracket shown below.

Belimo FSLF anti-rotation strap (yellow arrows). Shaft adaptors and other mounting plates are available.

Short Shaft Mounting

The Belimo clamp is very stable when mounted between the actuator and the supporting sheet metal.

After mounting, tighten the clamp nuts with a 10mm, long-nosed, deep-well, ¼" drive socket.

In all cases, the stud of the anti-rotation strap should fit in the middle of the slot at the bottom of the Belimo. This allows the actuator to move as necessary to compensate for any non-concentric rotation of the damper shaft.
Distance at top must be the same as at bottom.

Actuator should be parallel to the plane of the damper frame and sleeve.

Actuator must be perpendicular to the damper shaft.

Allow any non-concentric shaft motion to be taken up by mounting stud in middle of U-slot.

Figure 1

Note how the pin of the anti-rotation strap is mounted in middle of actuator U-slot.

Figure 2

This is acceptable as long as mechanically solid.

Figure 3

As long as it is mechanically solid, the anti-rotation strap may be bent to fit height.
FSTF
Best solution for small dampers where the HW bracket has been hung out into the air is to use an FSTF actuator.
If replacing a motor used on a damper with fusible link and shaft spring, investigate operation and determine that external spring and link are operable. Refer to damper manufacturer’s instructions for the specific damper in question.

**WARNING!**
Actuator anti-rotation strap may not be screwed to the duct. It must attach to either the sleeve or to the mounting bracket. The duct must be able to fall away from the damper in case of ceiling collapse in a fire.

**USE CAUTION!**
Spring is under high torsion and may cause serious injury! If any external springs are present, exercise caution – wear face and hand protection.

**Internal Mounted**

The Belimo actuator is located in the same place when internally mounted. The jackshaft goes through the Belimo and the anti-rotation strap holds the other end.

If needed, a perforated strap or U shaped sheet metal bracket can be put around the actuator for mechanical support.

The jackshaft is disassembled to remove old motor and mount the Belimo actuator.

Wiring and testing internally mounted actuators is identical to that for the externally mounted actuators.
**Linkage mounting**

FSLF has no linkage capability

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**WARNING!**

Read Data Sheet provided in box with each actuator for specific wiring details.

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Possible alternate arrangements for damper clip. (FSNF, FSAF actuators shown.)

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Belimo linkage kits:  

Mounting Methods Guide:  
**Miscellaneous parts**

Should they be needed, Belimo carries a range of parts. Ball joints and 5/16” rods are available from most distributors.

Where the crank arm on the jackshaft is broken or not of the type needed, the KH12 fits over the shaft without removing it. Zinc plated steel. Slot is for the KG10A ball joint. V-bolt fits ¾” to 1” (20 to 25mm) shafts.

KH-6. Zinc plated steel. For shafts 3/8” to 11/16” Uses KG6 ball joint. Slot width 1/4”

KH-8. Zinc plated steel. For shafts 3/8” to 11/16” Uses KG8 (90 degree) or KG10A ball joint. Slot width 21/64”

**SH8** (not shown – see picture page 9). Push-rod for KG6 & KG8 ball joints. 5/16” 36” long
Use SH10 3/8” rods for GMB and dual FSAF or FSNF linkages. 5/16” can bend under heavy loads.

**Damper blade clip and ball joints**

Typically for blades 3.5” in width. Typically the actuator or rod to shaft is in front of blade.

Typically used for 6” wide blade control dampers. Typically the actuator or rod to shaft is above or below the damper.

**Thermal sensor replacements – BAE165 US**

Belimo BAE165 US

Where existing sensor is defective or one must be added, the 165°F primary sensor may be used.

Original equipment is recommended although not strictly required by code. UL does not regulate replacement or repair. See NFPA 80 or NFPA 105.
Auxiliary Switches

Damper blade switch assembly

Externally mounted auxiliary switches

Where the original switches for signaling position to a Fire Fighters’ Smoke Control Panel or to local indicator lights must be replaced or are inoperative the Belimo –S model actuators may be used or a S2A-F may be installed.

Belimo S2A-F

FSLF (mid 2014ff), FSNF, and FSAF actuators can use the add on switch package.

-S models

Internal switches

Some models are SPDT. Check data sheets.
Wiring

There are three wiring schemes that describe all applications. While the geometry of the wire runs may vary, the connections are straightforward.

**TYPICAL FIRE - SMOKE COMBINATION DAMPER WIRING**

*Electric thermal disc*

Smoke Detector or Relay from area smoke detection system

**HOT**

120 or 24 VAC

**165°F**

BELIMO FSxx ACTUATOR

**TYPICAL SENSOR TEMPERATURES**

N or COM

Regardless of the wiring routes used, this drawing shows the wiring necessary for a UL555S damper and actuator. Use it as a basis for any of the other wiring schematics. Note that the alarm connections are not touched when replacing an actuator. This is a major concern for Fire Marshals.

**Honeywell with actuator wiring compartment used for junctions.**

If necessary add a chase nipple and junction box as shown above right for wiring connections.
The wiring below is commonly connected to alarm or smoke control electronic modules in modern systems. The functional sequence is the same.

**TYPICAL REOPENABLE DAMPER with FSCS**

In rare cases the Honeywell motor was installed as a retrofit on dampers with fusible links. There is no electric sensor in the damper in that case as there is typically a shaft spring performing the fire function. Wiring is shown to right.

Investigate cause of Honeywell failure. For example, was old external spring removed correctly?

**WARNING!**

Note that where any fire alarm wiring is touched, the fire department must be informed.
**Building Official/Fire Marshal Notification Form**

Retain this portion of checklist at premises for Fire Marshal inspection. See local AHJ or Fire Marshal for other information and requirements regarding conformance with NFPA 80 & NFPA 105.

☐ Test Checklist (Smoke dampers do not have sensors. Only steps a & b apply.)

1. **Single Sensor Combination Damper**
   a. ☐ Open smoke detector or relay wire or contact to cut power. *Damper springs closed.*
   b. ☐ Reconnect power. *Damper drives open.*

Repeat 3 times to ensure operation. This imitates UL555S test.

2. **Reopenable Two Sensor Fire-Smoke Combination Damper**
   (Since this system involves the Firefighters’ Smoke Control System, inform fire department.)

   **With FSCS switch in Auto position:**
   a. ☐ Disconnect power from smoke detector or relay contacts. *Actuator springs damper closed.*
   b. ☐ Reconnect power. *Actuator drives damper open.*
   c. ☐ Trip thermal sensor. *Actuator springs damper fully closed.*

   **Test FSCS switch functions:**
   a. ☐ Move FSCS switch to Off position. *Actuator springs damper fully closed.*
   c. ☐ Trip secondary (higher temperature) thermal sensor. *Actuator springs damper fully closed.*

   **Move FSCS switch back to Auto position:**
   a. ☐ Actuator springs damper closed if Primary sensor is still open.
   b. ☐ Actuator stays open if Primary sensor has re-closed.

☐ When completed, ensure sensors are reset and smoke detector is in normal state and FSCS switch is in Auto. Damper is normally Open; check sequence of operation.

Damper Numbers or Location Identifying Numbers............................................................................................................

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Contractor...........................................................................................................................................................................

Service Technician (Print).........................................................................................................................................................

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