# Float & Thermostatic Steam Trap

The FTE & FTES are used for extremely high capacity condensate drainage applications.

Model	FTE	FTES
Sizes	1 <sup>1</sup> /2", <b>2</b> ", <b>2</b> <sup>1</sup> /2"	<b>2</b> <sup>1</sup> / <sub>2</sub> "
Connections	NPT	NPT, SW, FLG
Body Material	<b>Ductile Iron</b>	Cast Steel
PMO Max. Operating Pressure	200 PSIG	300 PSIG
TMO Max. Operating Temperature	450°F	450°F
PMA Max. Allowable Pressure	300 PSIG up to 450°F	300 PSIG up to 750°F
TMA Max. Allowable Temperature	450°F @ 300 PSIG	750°F @ 300 PSIG



## **Typical Applications**

PROCESS: FTE & FTES Series are high capacity steam traps specifically designed to remove condensate and air from HVAC and industrial process applications with extremely high condensate load requirements. Examples include reboilers, absorption chillers, large air-handling coils, large heat exchangers and other large process equipment. They are available witha ductile iron (FTE) or steel body (FTES) and contain a high quality welded stainless steel thermostatic air vent and stainless mechanism. F&T traps have excellent air-handling capability, making them a better choice than Inverted Bucket traps for most process applications.

#### **Features**

- Ductile Iron has a higher pressure and temperature rating and is more resistant to shock loads than Cast Iron
- Cast Steel Body will allow operating pressures and temperatures up to 300 PSIG and 450°F
- High capacity steam trap for draining large process equipment (over 100,000 lbs/hr)
- All stainless steel internals with hardened seat and wear parts
- In-line repairability is simplified by having all internals attached to the cover
- Welded stainless steel thermostatic air vent resists shock from waterhammer. Live orifice air vent is available for superheated applications
- Excellent air handling capability allows air to be discharged rapidly so steam can enter the system quickly during start-up
- F&T traps discharge condensate immediately as it is formed (no condensate will back up into the system)

### **How It Works**

Float and thermostatic traps contain a float and seat mechanism with a separate thermostatic element which work together to remove both condensate and air from the steam system. The float, which is attached to a valve, rises and opens the valve when condensate enters the trap. This allows the condensate to discharge. Air is discharged through the thermostatic air vent to the outlet side of the trap. Steam entering the trap causes the thermostatic element to expand, closing the air vent and trapping the steam.



FTE Model shown

#### **Sample Specification**

The trap shall be of float and thermostatic design with ductile iron or cast steel body. The trap must incorporate all stainless steel internals with hardened seat and welded stainless steel thermostatic air vent. Trap must be in-line repairable.

#### **Installation and Maintenance**

The trap must be installed upright and level for the float mechanism to operate properly. All internal components can be replaced with the trap body remaining in-line. Repair kits include thermostatic air vent, float, valve seat and disc, and gaskets. The **FTES** Series have cast steel bodies and are available in 21/2" NPT, socket weld and flange connections. The standard thermostatic air vent can be damaged by superheat; therefore, in applications with superheated steam, the thermostatic air vent should be replaced with a special "live orifice" air vent.

#### **Options**

Live orifice air vent for superheated steam applications.

Parallel-pipe inlet/outlet connections are standard as shown. An optional In-line inlet/outlet connection is available; contact factory.

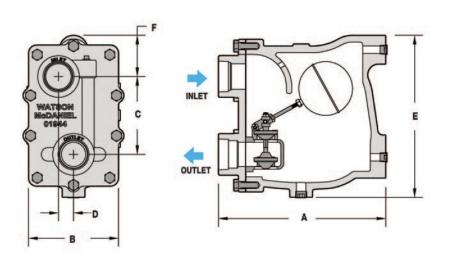
**SLR** = Steam lock release

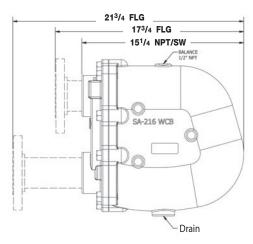
VB = Vacuum breaker

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FTES shown with Optional Flanges

DIMENSIONS & WEIGHTS — inches												
Size/Model	Α	В	С	D	Е	F	Weight					
2" FTE-20	12.6	5.7	4.5	0.5	11.1	3.9	54					
2" FTE-50	16.0	8.4	7.3	1.4	15.6	3.6	150					
2 <sup>1</sup> /2" FTE-50	15.5	8.4	7.3	1.4	15.6	3.6	150					
2 <sup>1</sup> /2" FTE-125	15.5	8.4	7.3	1.4	15.6	3.6	150					
1 <sup>1</sup> /2" FTE-200	9.6	4.3	3.0	0.7	8.8	2.6	35					
2" FTE-200	12.6	5.7	4.5	0.5	11.1	3.9	65					
2 <sup>1</sup> /2" FTE-200	15.5	8.4	7.3	1.4	15.6	3.6	150					
2 <sup>1</sup> /2" FTES-300	15.5	8.4	7.3	1.4	15.6	3.6	150					

**Note:**  $2^{1/2}$ " **FTES-50**, **125** & **300** have same dimensions and weights.

MATERIALS	
Body & Cover (FTE)	Ductile Iron
Body & Cover (FTES)	Cast Steel, ASTM A-216
Cover Screw	Grade 5 Carbon Steel
Cover Gasket	Grafoil
Valve Discs	Stainless Steel, AISI 17-4PH
Main Valve Assembly Housing	Stainless Steel, AISI 17-4PH
Valve Assembly Gasket	Garlock
Ball Float	Stainless Steel, AISI 304
Thermostatic Vent	Stainless Steel, AISI 300 Optional: Live orifice air vent

## **How to Size / Order**

The PMO (maximum operating pressure) rating of model selected must meet or exceed the maximum steam pressure or the trap may not open. For example; the FTE-125 has a PMO of 125 psi. Condensate capacity (lbs/hr) of the trap is based on the differential pressure across the trap. The condensate loads (lbs/hr) for process applications are normally calculated at the maximum steam pressure; then an appropriate safety margin is applied in order to select a trap with sufficient capacity when operating at lower steam pressures. Reference full explanation of Safety Load Factors in Steam Traps Introduction section.

When a temperature control valve is regulating flow to the process equipment, it is recommended to select a trap with a PMO that will exceed the inlet steam pressure to the control valve.

For Example: Process application has a maximum steam inlet pressure of 100 psi, a maximum condensate load of 10,000 lbs/hr and is discharging to a condensate return line with a possible back pressure of 25 psig. ΔP = 100-25 = 75 PSI

**To select trap**: If the Safety Load Factor is chosen to be 2X max capacity at max differential pressure, then Trap should be selected based on 20,000 lbs/hr (10,000 x 2 = 20,000) at 75 PSI differential pressure with a PMO in excess of 100 PSIG

Selection: FTE-200-17-N, PMO=200 PSIG, 2" NPT with a condensate capacity of 21,500 lbs/hr at 75 PSI differential pressure.

CAPACITIE	S —	– Condensate (lbs/hr)																	
	PMO	Pipe   Orifice   ΔP = Differential Pressure (PSI)																	
Model Code	(PSIG)	Size	Size	1/4	1/2	1	2	5	10	15	20	30	50	75	100	125	200	250	300
FTE-20-17-N*	20	2″	.937"	6100	7800	9300	11800	15900	19500	22500	26000								
FTE-50-17-N	50	2″	2.125"	12800	16900	20100	25300	33000	40200	43500	46000	47800	52500						
FTE-50-18-N	50	21/2"	2.125"	20400	25700	31000	37000	46300	55100	60300	65100	72000	82100						
FTE-125-18-N	125	21/2"	2.125"	20400	25700	31000	37000	46300	55100	60300	65100	72000	82100	90400	97700	105000			
FTE-200-16-N	200	1 <sup>1</sup> /2"	.375"	950	1350	1900	2200	2700	3300	3900	4400	5300	6400	7600	8500	9400	11900		
FTE-200-17-N	(200)	2″	.75"	2700	4100	5700	7400	9900	11800	13400	14400	16400	19000 (	21500	23000	24500	29200		
FTE-200-18-N	200	21/2"	1.5"	7200	12300	17400	21500	27600	32600	36000	39300	43100	49200	54700	58800	61900	74000		
FTES-50-18-N	50	<b>2</b> <sup>1</sup> /2"	2.125"	20400	25700	31000	37000	46300	55100	60300	65100	72000	82100						
FTES-125-18-N	125	<b>2</b> <sup>1</sup> /2"	2.125"	20400	25700	31000	37000	46300	55100	60300	65100	72000	82100	90400	97700	105000			
FTES-300-18-N	300	<b>2</b> 1/2"	1.5"	7200	12300	17400	21500	27600	32600	36000	39300	43100	49200	54700	58800	61900	74000	86000	100550

<sup>\*</sup> Single seat orifice. All others are double seated.