## **Steering Valves**

A valve is a device which regulates the flow of a fluid like for example fluidized gases or regular gases, liquids, slurries, by closing, partially obstructing or opening certain passageways. Valves are generally pipe fittings but are commonly discussed as a separate category. In instances where an open valve is concerned, fluid flows in a direction from higher to lower pressure.

Valves are utilized in many applications like for instance commercial, military, industrial, residential and transport trades. A few of the major trades which rely on valves include the water reticulation, sewerage, oil and gas sector, mining, chemical manufacturing and power generation.

In day to day activities, the most common valves are plumbing valves as seen in view of the fact that it taps for tap water. Several common examples comprise small valves fitted to washing machines and dishwashers, gas control valves on cookers, valves within car engines and safety devices fitted to hot water systems. In nature, veins inside the human body act as valves and control the blood flow. Heart valves even control the circulation of blood in the chambers of the heart and maintain the proper pumping action.

Valves could be utilized and worked in various ways that they could be worked by a pedal, a lever or a handle. Additionally, valves could be driven automatically or by changes in temperature, pressure or flow. These changes may act upon a diaphragm or a piston which in turn activates the valve. Several popular examples of this type of valve are found on boilers or safety valves fitted to hot water systems.

Valves are utilized in lots of complicated control systems that can require an automatic control that is based on external input. Regulating the flow through the pipe to a changing set point is one example. These circumstances generally need an actuator. An actuator would stroke the valve depending on its set-up and input, allowing the valve to be places precisely while allowing control over a variety of requirements.