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MOTOMAN PAINTING ROBOTS DELIVER SMOOTH FINISH ON VIRTUALLY ANY PART

Dayton, Ohio —Motoman's new PX-series robots are flexible six-axis manipulators specifically designed to optimize performance in industrial and automotive painting applications. Six robot models are available with reaches ranging from 800 mm to 2,900 mm (31.4" to 114.2"), making them ideal for painting a wide variety of products, from small parts to large car bodies and machines. PX-series manipulator model numbers indicate the robot's reach in millimeters.

The PX800 is the world's smallest painting robot. Its compact, space-saving design also makes it easy to wall- or floor-mount.

All of the Motoman PX-series robots feature a Factory Mutual (FM) Class 1 Division 1 explosion-proof rating. Painting devices such as Color Change Valves (up to 24 colors), Flushable Gear Pump, and solenoid valves can be mounted on the upper arm of the larger, floor-mounted painting robots. This results in reduced cycle time and efficient use of coating material.

In addition to the standard robot wrist (PX800), three specialized wrist designs provide optimal painting capabilities for any workplace.

- **Three-roll** type wrist (PX1850, PX2050, PX2850) is suitable for painting car bodies and the inside of box-shaped objects.
- **Lemma** type wrist (PX1850, PX2050, PX2750) is suitable for painting horizontal and vertical planes.
- **Hollow** type wrist (PX2850, PX2900) includes a large opening through the robot base, arm, and wrist for hoses and cables and direct connection of various spray application devices to the robot wrist. Shorter paint hoses make efficient use of coating material and lead to improved quality, since paint drips and other contamination falling from the paint hoses is minimized. Additionally, interference between the hoses and wrist does not occur, ensuring optimum cycle time and robot reach/access.

Two types of programming pendants are available for the PX-series robots. The explosion-proof version can be used in the spray booth while the spray process is in operation. It features a 4.7-inch LCD display that displays painting data and the contents of the jobs. The standard programming pendant has a larger 5.7-inch LCD display; however, this pendant must be removed from the spray booth while the spray process is in operation. Programming is easy using specific painting software icons and pull-down menus for Teach and Edit functions.

The advanced features of the multi-function XRC 2001 robot controller allow it to coordinate the operation of the manipulator and painting devices, including the painting gun. Advanced Robot Motion (ARM) control minimizes over-spray using its high-precision path control and vibration suppression control.

The XRC supports paint gun control instructions such as spray start/stop and painting condition instructions to make the preparation and management of programs easier. The complete set of painting condition parameters can be filed and saved. The XRC also supports a variety of fieldbus networks such as DeviceNet, ProfiBus, EtherNet/IP, enabling the controller to be connected to peripheral devices including painting machine controllers and line controllers.

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