**SPECIFICATIONS**

**Weight** 2 lbs., 8 oz.  
**1st Stage** Balanced piston  
**Ports** 2HP, 5 LP  
**2nd Stage** Pressure balanced  
**Adjustments** Breathing-resistance knob  
**MSRP** $550

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**FEATURES**

Atomic added its Comfort Swivel to the Z2 and renamed it the Z2x. Its balanced-piston first stage is available with a seven LP port design or a five LP port swivel turret. The second stage’s brass valve body is plated with palladium/zirconium for corrosion resistance, while the lever, orifice and second-stage spring are titanium. It comes standard with Automatic Flow Control and a seat-saving orifice. When placed on the breathing machine, the Z2x kept up with the T2x at every RMV/depth level and then did the same in the ocean. Our test divers found very little bubble interference and lots of comfort.

**Bottom Line** The performance benefits of the T2x at about a third of what it costs for “the best.”

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