

Operator's Manual

RPM Series Float Level Sensors

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Warranty and Warranty Restrictions

This product is covered by APG's waranty to be free from defects in material and workmanship under normal use and service of the product for 24 months. For a full explanation of our Warranty, please visit https://www.apgsensors.com/about-us/terms-conditions. Contact Technical Support to recieve a Return Material Authorization before shipping your product back.

Scan the QR code below to read the full explanation of our Warranty on your tablet or smartphone.



Description

The RPM utilizes reed switches in the instrument's stem and a permanent magnet in the float. As the float rises or falls with the level of the liquid, the magnet inside the float acts on the reed switches inside the stem and provides a resistive-chain output. The RPM is also available with optional electronics that convert the resistance output into a 4-20mA signal.

Handling of the Intrinsically Safe RPM Series

Electrical ratings; 12 to 24 Volts DC, 4 - 20 ma

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Exia Class I Division 1; Groups C, D T3C (Max. Temp. 85°C) Vmax = 30VDC, Imax = 130ma, Ci = 3nF, Li = 0uH

ATEX Directive:

 $Ui \le 30 \text{ V}$, $Ii \le 130 \text{ mA}$, $Pi \le 1 \text{ W}$, $Ci \le 3 \text{ nF}$, $Li \le 0 \text{ mH}$

IECEX CSA 16.0018X

Ex ia IIB T3 Ga -40°C \leq Ta \leq +85 °C

All repairs and adjustments of the RPM must be made by the factory. To modify, disassemble, or alter the RPM on site is strictly prohibited. Do not loosen any joints, with the exception of the housing cover for electrical connection.

Handling of the Explosion-Proof RPM Series

Electrical ratings; 5 to 24 Volts DC, 100 ma



Probe may be wired as a Non-Incendive device in Class I Division 2 Groups C & D areas.

All repairs and adjustments of the RPM must be made by the factory. To modify, disassemble, or alter the RPM on site is strictly prohibited. Do not loosen any joints, with the exception of the housing cover for electrical connection.

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Handling of the Explosion-Proof RPM Series

Installation

- Unpacking -

When unpacking the instrument, exercise care not to subject the instrument to mechanical shock. After unpacking, visually inspect the instrument for damage.

- Environment -

The RPM series intruments should be installed in an areas indoors or outdoors which meets the following conditions:

1. The ambient temperature does not exceed -40 $^{\circ}$ C to 85 $^{\circ}$ C (-40 $^{\circ}$ F to +185 $^{\circ}$ F) for Class I Divison 2 or -40 $^{\circ}$ C to 40 $^{\circ}$ C (-40 $^{\circ}$ F to +104 $^{\circ}$ F) for Class I Divison 1.

NOTE: It is recommended that a sun shield be installed over the housing if exposed to direct sunlight.

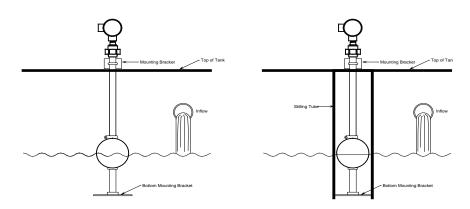
- 2. The medium temperature does not exceed -40° C to 85° C (-40° F to $+185^{\circ}$ F) for Class I Divison 2 or -40° C to 40° C (-40° F to $+104^{\circ}$ F) for Class I Divison 1.
- 3. Relative humidity up to 100%
- 4. Pollution Degree 2
- 5. Measurment Category II
- 6. Altitude 2000 m or less.
- 7. Locate the sensor away from strong magnetic fields such as those produced by motors, transformers, solenoid valves, etc.
- 8. The medium is free from metallic substances and other foreign matter.
- 9. No corrosive gases such as NH₃, SO₂, Cl₂, etc.
- 10. No excessive vibration
- 11. Ample space for maintenance and inspection.



Installation

- Location -

Do not locate the RPM sensor near inlets/outlets. If there is surface wave action, then it may be advisable to use a stilling tube. If a stilling tube is used, drill vent holes in the tube and use a spacer bottom mounting bracket to assure the probe is centered in the tube and the can move without interference.



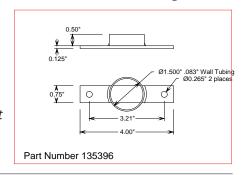
Wave action will cause signal bounce. Use a stilling tube to provide a smooth output signal.

- Mounting -

The RPM probe must be secured top and bottom. The bottom of the probe can be secured using stainless steel bottom mounting bracket

(p/n 135396) or similar stainless steel mounting method. This bracket is fixed to the bottom of the vessel and the probe stem seats inside of it.

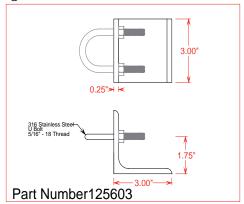
Mounting in this way will prevent any lateral movement and prevent the float from coming off of stem during use.



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1. Clamp Mounting

The most common method of mounting the top of the RPM probe is by clamping it into place. Top stainless steel mounting bracket part number 125603 or similar can be used. The U-bolt is tightened around the 1.25" stainless steel stem just below the union. The bracket is permanently mounted to the top of the tan. It is important to keep mounting hardware clear of float travel.



2. Flange Mounting

Provide the compatible mating flange on the tank and install using a suitable gasket.

Plug Mounting

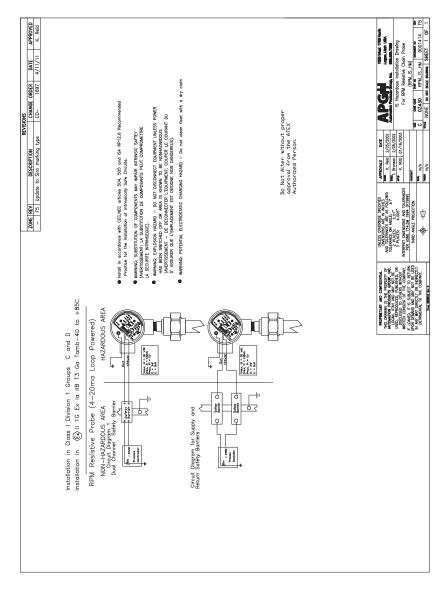
Provide the compatible female boss on the tank and install the RPM with a suitable gasket, O-ring, or thread tape.

Note: Assure that all metal parts are earthed. It must be assured that the sensor tube is connected to the potential equalizing system and is not isolated from it due to, for instance, tightening means.

Warning: Because the enclosure of the electronics/terminals of the Float Level Sensor is made of aluminium, if it is mounted in an area where the use of category 1 G apparatus is required, it must be installed such, that even in the event of rare incidents, ignition sources due to impact and friction sparks are excluded. In the event that the polyurethane float is used the nonconductive surface of the float may be charged by nonconductive media, it has to be assured that the media is electrostatically conductive.



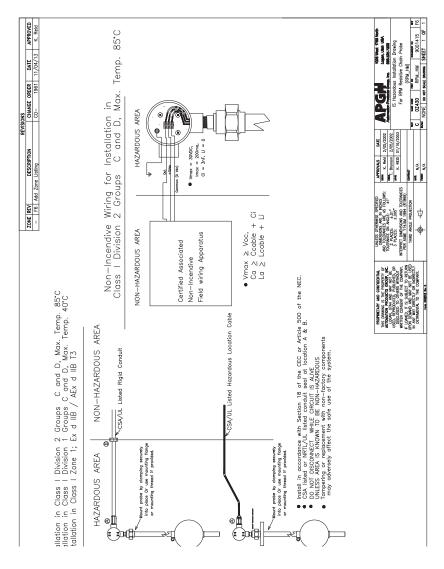
Intrinsically Safe Wiring



Note: Insure that all metal parts are earthed.

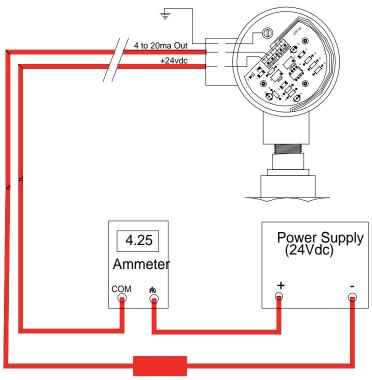
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Explosion-Protected Wiring





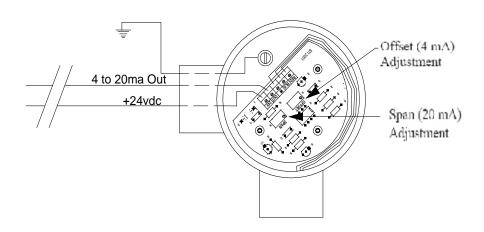
• Analog Calibration Procedure (for models equipped with 4-20 mA conversion board)



Choose Loop Resistance to match application

- 1. Set DC power supply voltage at 24VDC.
- 2. Connect Ammeter in series with loop.
- 3. Move float to the bottom position
- 4. Adjust the Offset potentiometer until meter reads 4ma
- 5. Move float to top position
- 6. Adjust the Span potentiometer until the meter reads 20ma.
- 7. Repeat steps 3 6 for final adjustment.

• Analog Calibration Procedure (for models equipped with 4-20 mA conversion board)



Analog Board is Encapsulated

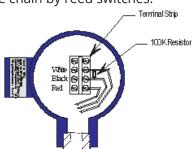




Wiring for Voltage Operation

Red and Black connect to each end of a resistive chain. The white wire is the voltage output that is connected to different points on the resistive chain by reed switches.

Red +5 to +24 VDC Black Ground White Voltage Out



Inspection and Maintenance

Periodic inspection is necessary to keep your RPM unit in good working order.

CAUTION! Do not remove the housing cover until the atmosphere is determined to be safe, and the power supplied to the unit is turned off.

Keep the sensor clean.

If sediment or other foreign matter is trapped between the stem and the float, detection errors may be caused.

Inspect probe shaft and bottom weld for any possible holes or leaks. If possible leak is detected remove probe from service and send to factory for repair.

Inspect O-ring on cover to make sure that it is in good condition. Never leave the housing cover off. If the cover becomes damaged or is misplaced, replace immediately.

RPM Specifications

Resolution +/- 0.39 in. (+/- 10mm.)

Maximum Length 288 in. (7.3M)

Maximum Process Temperature -40°C to 85°C (-40°F to 185°F)

Probe Material 316 L SS.

Float Material Polyurethane Foam

Housing Material Aluminium Modified 359 Alloy

> 8.5 - 9.5 % Silicon (Si) Magnesium (Mg) 68 - .85% .30% max Copper (Cu) (3/10 of 1%)

Iron (Fe) .30% max (3/10 of 1%)

NEMA 4

Housing Rating

Hazardous Ratings:

Intrinsically Safe

Electrical ratings: 12 to 24 Volts DC, 4 - 20 ma

Exia Class I Division 1; Groups C, D T3C (Max. Temp. 85°C) Vmax = 30VDC, Imax = 130ma, Ci = 3nF, Li = 0uH

ATFX Directive:

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Sira 11ATEX2136 X ⟨⟨x⟩ II 1G Ex ia IIB T3 Ga -40°C ≤ Ta ≤ +85 °C

Ui ≤ 30 V, Ii ≤ 130 mA, Pi ≤ 1 W, Ci ≤ 3 nF, Li ≤ 0 mH

IFCFx CSA 16.0018X

Fx ia IIB T3 Ga -40°C \leq Ta \leq +85 °C

Explosion-Proof

Electrical ratings: 5 to 24 Volts DC, 100 ma



Class I Division 1; Groups C & D (Max. Temp. 40°C.)



Class I Division 2; Groups C & D (Max. Temp 85°C). Class I Zone 1; Ex d IIB / AEx d IIB T3

Non-Incendive

Electrical ratings; 5 to 24 Volts DC, 100 ma



Class I Division 2; Groups C & D (Max. Temp 85°C).

Vmax = 30 VDC, Imax = 200 ma, Ci = 3nF, Li = 0



Certificate of Compliance

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 2167400 (237484)
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 Project:
 70022836
 Date Issued:
 2016-01-22

Issued to: Automation Products Group Inc

1025 West 1700 North Logan, Utah 84321

USA

Attention: Karl Reid

The products listed below are eligible to bear the CSA Mark shown with adjacent indicators 'C' and 'US' for Canada and US or with adjacent indicator 'US' for US only or without either indicator for Canada only.



Issued by: John Yam

PRODUCTS

CLASS - C225205 - PROCESS CONTROL EQUIPMENT

CLASS - C225285 - PROCESS CONTROL EQUIPMENT-Certified to US Standards CLASS - C225802 - PROCESS CONTROL EQUIPMENT-For Hazardous Locations-

CLASS - C225882 - PROCESS CONTROL EQUIPMENT-For Hazardous Locations - Certified to US Standards CLASS - C225803 - PROCESS CONTROL EQUIPMENT - Intrinsically Safe and Non-Incendive Systems - For

Hazardous Locations

CLASS - C225883 - PROCESS CONTROL EQUIPMENT-Intrinsically Safe and Non-Incendive-Systems-For Hazardous Locations-Certified to U.S. Standards

CLASS - C225804 - PROCESS CONTROL EQUIPMENT-Intrinsically Safe, Entity - For Hazardous Locations-CLASS - C225884 - PROCESS CONTROL EQUIPMENT - Intrinsically Safe, Entity-- For Hazardous Locations

- Certified to US Standards

CLASS 2252 05 - PROCESS CONTROL EQUIPMENT CLASS 2252 85 - PROCESS CONTROL EQUIPMENT (Certified to U.S. Standards)

Float Level Sensors, permanently connected, indoor and outdoor use, max. operating ambient 85°C:

- Models FLXx and FLRx, rated 220 V, 0.5 A;
- Models RPMx, RPXx and RPEx, rated 5 15 Vdc, 100 mA, or 12 to 24 Vdc, 4-20mA;
- Model RPAx, rated 12 to 24 Vdc, 4-20mA;

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 Model CTR-0100 (P/Ns 110101 and 110101-0001), Loop Powered 4-20mA Module, rated 4-20mA output is 12 to 24 Vdc.

Note: The above models are Pollution Degree 2, Measurement Category II.

Notes for Models FLXx, FLRx, RPMx, RPAx, RPXx, RPEx:

- The "x" in the Model designations may be any alpha-numeric character, to denote minor mechanical options, not affecting safety. Refer to Illustration 28 for Model designator and suffix details.
- The equipment is intended to be installed as required by the applicable electrical code (CEC, NEC) and as specified by the manufacturer's Installation Instructions.
- The circuit board P/N STF-CTR-01** from the Model RPMx Probe may be supplied as a component part
 where the suitability of the final installation will be inspected by the authority with jurisdiction in the area
 where installed
- 4. The installation will be inspected by the authority with jurisdiction in the area where installed.

CLASS 2258 02 - PROCESS CONTROL EQUIPMENT - FOR HAZARDOUS LOCATIONS CLASS 2258 82 - PROCESS CONTROL EQUIPMENT - FOR HAZARDOUS LOCATIONS, U.S. Requirements

Class I, Division 1, Groups C, and D

Float Level Sensors, model FLXx, rated 220 V, 0.5 A, max. or rated 24Vdc, 0.5A, max., and model RPMx and RPXx, rated 5 - 24 Vdc, 100mA or 12 to 24 Vdc, 4-20mA; operating ambient 40°C.

Class I, Zone 1, Ex d, IIB T3 Class I, Zone 1, AEx d, IIB T3

 Float Level Sensors, model FLXx, rated 24 Vdc, 0.5 A, max., and model RPMx and RPXx, rated 5 - 24 Vdc, 100mA or 12 to 24 Vdc, 4-20mA; operating ambient 40°C.

Notes for Models FLXx, RPMx, RPXx:

- The "x" in the Model designations may be any alpha-numeric character, to denote minor mechanical options, not affecting safety.
- The equipment is intended to be installed as required by the applicable electrical code (CEC, NEC) and as specified by the manufacturers Installation Instructions.
- 3. The installation will be inspected by the authority with jurisdiction in the area where installed.

Class I, Division 2, Groups C, and D

 Float Level Sensor model FLXx, rated 220 V, 0.5 A, model RPMx and RPXx, rated 5 - 15 Vdc, 100mA, or rated 12 to 24 Vdc, 4-20mA, and model RPAx, rated 12 to 24 Vdc, 4-20mA; max; operating ambient 85°C.

Notes for Models FLXx, RPMx, RPAx, RPXx:

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CLASS 2258 03 - PROCESS CONTROL EQUIPMENT - INTRINSICALLY SAFE AND NON INCENDIVE SYSTEMS - FOR HAZARDOUS LOCATIONS

CLASS 2258 83 - PROCESS CONTROL EQUIPMENT - INTRINSICALLY SAFE AND NON INCENDIVE SYSTEMS - FOR HAZARDOUS LOCATIONS, CERTIFIED TO U.S. STANDARDS

Class I, Division 2, Groups C, and D

 Float Level Sensor model RPMx and RPXx, rated 5 - 15 Vdc, 100mA, or rated 12 to 24 Vdc, 4-20mA, and model RPAx, rated 12 to 24 Vdc, 4-20mA; max; operating ambient 85°C. Field wiring is non-incendive when installed per drawings 9001415, 9001932 and 9002023 respectively.

Notes for Models RPMx, RPAx, RPXx:

- The "x" in the Model designations may be any alpha-numeric character, to denote minor mechanical options, not affecting safety.
- The equipment is intended to be installed as required by the applicable electrical code (CEC, NEC) and as specified by the manufacturers Installation Instructions.
- 3. The installation will be inspected by the authority with jurisdiction in the area where installed.

CLASS 2258 04 - PROCESS CONTROL EQUIPMENT - INTRINSICALLY SAFE, ENTITY

- FOR HAZARDOUS LOCATIONS

CLASS 2258 84 - PROCESS CONTROL EQUIPMENT - INTRINSICALLY SAFE, ENTITY

- FOR HAZARDOUS LOCATIONS, U.S. Requirements

Class I, Division 1, Groups C, and D

Float Level Sensors, model RPMx, RPAx, RPXx and model CTRx loop powered 24Vdc, 4-20mA converter
module, max. operating ambient 85°C; Temperature Code rating T3C; Intrinsically Safe when connected as
per drawing 9001414, 9001423 and 9001930 with the following Entity Parameters: Vmax = 30V, Imax =
130mA, Ci = 3nF, Li = 0uH.

Notes for Models RPMx, RPAx and RPXx:

- The "x" in the Model designations may be any alpha-numeric character, to denote minor mechanical options, not affecting safety.
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APPLICABLE REQUIREMENTS

CSA Standards C22.2 No. 0-10 CSA Standards C22.2 No. 30-M1987 CAN/CSA C22.2 No. 61010-1-12

CSA Standards C22.2 No. 157-M1992 -

UL 61010-1 (3rd Edition)

UL 913, Eighth Edition

UL1203, Fifth Edition

UL/ISA 60079-0, Sixth Edition UL/ISA 60079-1, Seventh Edition

FM 3611, December 2004

- General Requirements - Canadian Electrical Code, Part II

- Explosion-Proof Enclosures for Use in Class I Hazardous Locations - Safety Requirements for Electrical Equipment for Measurement, Control, and Laboratory Use, Part 1: General Requirements

Intrinsically Safe and Non-Incendive Equipment for Use in Hazardous Locations

CSA Standards C22.2 No. 213-M1987 - Non-Incendive Electrical Equipment for Use in Class I, Division 2 Hazardous Locations

CSA Standards C22.2 No. 60079-0:15 - Explosive atmospheres - Part 0: Equipment - General requirements CSA Standards C22.2 No. 60079-1:11 - Explosive atmospheres - Part 1: Equipment protection by flameproof enclosures "d"

> - Safety Requirements for Electrical Equipment for Measurement, Control, and Laboratory Use - Part 1: General Requirements

- Intrinsically Safe Apparatus and Associated Apparatus for use in Class I, II, III, Division 1, Hazardous (Classified) Locations

- Explosion-Proof and Dust-Ignition-Proof Electrical Equipment for Use in Hazardous (Classified) Locations

- Explosive atmospheres - Part 0: Equipment - General requirements

- Explosive Atmospheres - Part 1: Equipment Protection by Flameproof Enclosures "d"

- Nonincendive Electrical Equipment for Use in Class I and II, Divisions 1 and 2 Hazardous (Classified) Locations

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Supplement to Certificate of Compliance

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The products listed, including the latest revision described below, are eligible to be marked in accordance with the referenced Certificate.

Product Certification History

Project	Date	Description
70022836	2016-01-22	Update Report 2167400 to include alternate welding method for model RPMx with update 4 drawings, and revise the applicable standards to the latest edition.
2629489	2013-11-19	Update to report 2167400 to add approval for Class I Zone 1 Ex d IIB; AEx d IIB for the Voltage and 4-20ma versions of the RPM and RPX probes as well as the FLX probe limited to 24VDC maximum operating voltage.
2167400	2009-11-16	Create new report from 156365-1140498 and evaluate the non-hazardous locations listed models to CSA/UL 61010-1 as required by Notice 7. Additional component updates and corrections made.

History

The following history has been transferred from MC156365 Report 1140498:

1140498 - Nov 2, 2000 - Model FR25x, Float Level Sensor, Model LR29x, Float Level Sensor.

1186512 - Apr 20, 2001 - Update to 1140498 to Change Model Designations From ToLR29x RPMxFR25x FLXx.

1225158 - July 17, 2001 - Update to include alternative UL/CSA reed switches.

1237109 - Sept 4, 2001 - Update to include alternative construction of Model RPMx.

1280884 - May 16, 2002 - Update to include 24 Vdc, loop powered 4-20mA converter board and replace jumper board with jumper wire.

1324024 - August $28,\,2002$ - Update RPM Level probe to I.S. Requirements.

1384694 - January 20, 2003 - Update to include RPX, RPE, FLR sensors and change ambient to 85°C.

1458115 - July 30, 2003 - Update FLX Float Level Sensor to Class I Division 1 Groups C, & D ambient 40°C. Update to include alternative UL/CSA reed switch.

1517864 - 2004/02/17 - Update RPM for Class I, Div 1, Also add CRTx - Instrinsically-safe for Class I, Div 1.

1663709 - 2005/05/25 - Update report to include:addition of RPA, CTR-0100 surface mount components, RPX as explosionproof, non-incendive field wiring for RPM and RPX and revised drawings.

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EU Declaration of Conformity (Ex



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Declares that the product:

Product Name: Float Level Sensor - Model RPM-...

Conforms to:

ATEX Directive 2014/34/EU

- EU Type Examination Certificate: Sira 11ATEX2136X

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Sira Certification Service, Rake Lane, Eccleston, Chester, CH4 9JN, England

Description of Equipment or Protective System:

The equipment measures a level and provides a 4-20mA output signal proportional to the measured level

Series: RPM

Conforms to the following Standards

EN 60079-0:2012 EN 60079-26:2015 EN 60079-11:2012

Ex II 1G Ex ia IIB T3 Ga Markings: ATEX:

Supplementary Information:

This Declaration of Conformity is issued under the sole responsibility of the manufacturer. The described product complies with the Applicable European Directives and relevant sections of the Applicable International Standards. The signature on this document authorizes the distinctive European mark to be applied to the equipment described.

Authorized Signature:

Karl Reid, Product Line Manager

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