

Portable ultrasonic flow measurement of liquids in hazardous areas

Portable instrument for non-invasive, quick ultrasonic flow measurement with clamp-on technology for all types of piping

Features

- Precise bidirectional and highly dynamic flow measurement with the non-invasive clamp-on technology
- High precision at fast and slow flow rates, high temperature and zero point stability
- Portable, easy-to-use flow transmitter with 2 flow channels, multiple inputs, an integrated data logger with a serial interface
- Extremely resistant carbon fiber housing
- Covered by FM Class I Div. 2 certification
- Compact and very lightweight, allowing the measuring system to be easily carried as personal luggage, e.g., for offshore visits
- Water tight; resistant against oil, many liquids and dirt
- Li-Ion battery provides up to 25 hours of measurement operation
- Automatic loading of calibration data and transducer detection for a fast and easy set-up (less than 5 min), providing precise and long-term stable results
- User-friendly design
- Transducers available for a wide range of inner pipe diameters and fluid temperatures (-328 to +1112 °F)
- Rugged transducers (FM Class I Div. 2, resistant to rough environments and humidity)
- Robust, water-tight (NEMA 4) transport case with comprehensive accessories
- HybridTrek automatically switches between transit time and NoiseTrek mode of measurement when high particulate flows are encountered
- QuickFix for fast mounting of the flow transmitter in difficult conditions
- Measurement is unaffected by fluid density, viscosity and solid content (max. 10 % of volume)

Applications

Designed for the following industries:

- Upstream (on- and offshore)
- Midstream and downstream (pipelines and refineries)
- Chemical industry
- Energy sector (e.g., HVAC, geothermal, power plants)



FLUXUS F608



Measurement with transducers mounted with the portable Variofix VP



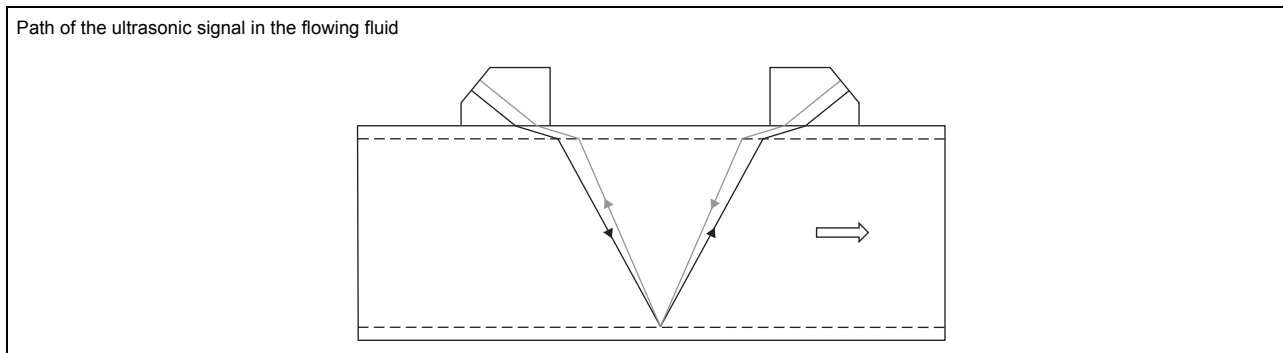
Measurement with the flow transmitter fixed to the pipe with the QuickFix pipe mounting fixture

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Function

Measurement principle

The transducers are mounted on the pipe which is completely filled with the fluid. The ultrasonic signals are emitted alternately by a transducer and received by the other. The physical quantities are determined from the transit times of the ultrasonic signals.

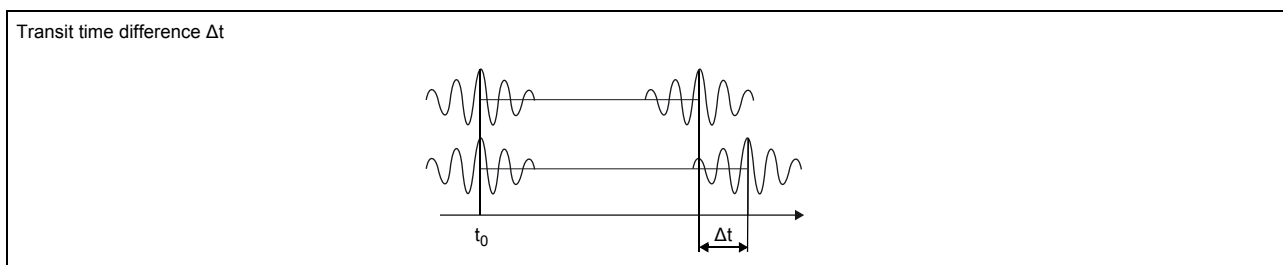


Transit time difference principle

As the fluid where the ultrasound propagates is flowing, the transit time of the ultrasonic signal in flow direction is shorter than the one against the flow direction.

The transit time difference Δt is measured and allows the flowmeter to determine the average flow velocity along the propagation path of the ultrasonic signals. A flow profile correction is then performed in order to obtain the area averaged flow velocity, which is proportional to the volumetric flow rate.

The integrated microprocessors control the entire measuring cycle. The received ultrasonic signals are checked for measurement usability and evaluated for their reliability. Noise signals are eliminated.



HybridTrek

If the gaseous or solid content in the fluid increases occasionally during measurement, a measurement with the transit time difference principle may no longer be possible. NoiseTrek mode will then be selected by the flowmeter. This measurement method allows the flowmeter to achieve a stable measurement even with high gaseous or solid content.

The transmitter can switch automatically between transit time and NoiseTrek mode without any changes to the measurement setup.

Calculation of volumetric flow rate

$$\dot{V} = k_{Re} \cdot A \cdot k_a \cdot \frac{\Delta t}{2 \cdot t_y}$$

where

- \dot{V} - volumetric flow rate
- k_{Re} - fluid mechanics calibration factor
- A - cross-sectional pipe area
- k_a - acoustical calibration factor
- Δt - transit time difference
- t_y - average of transit times in the fluid

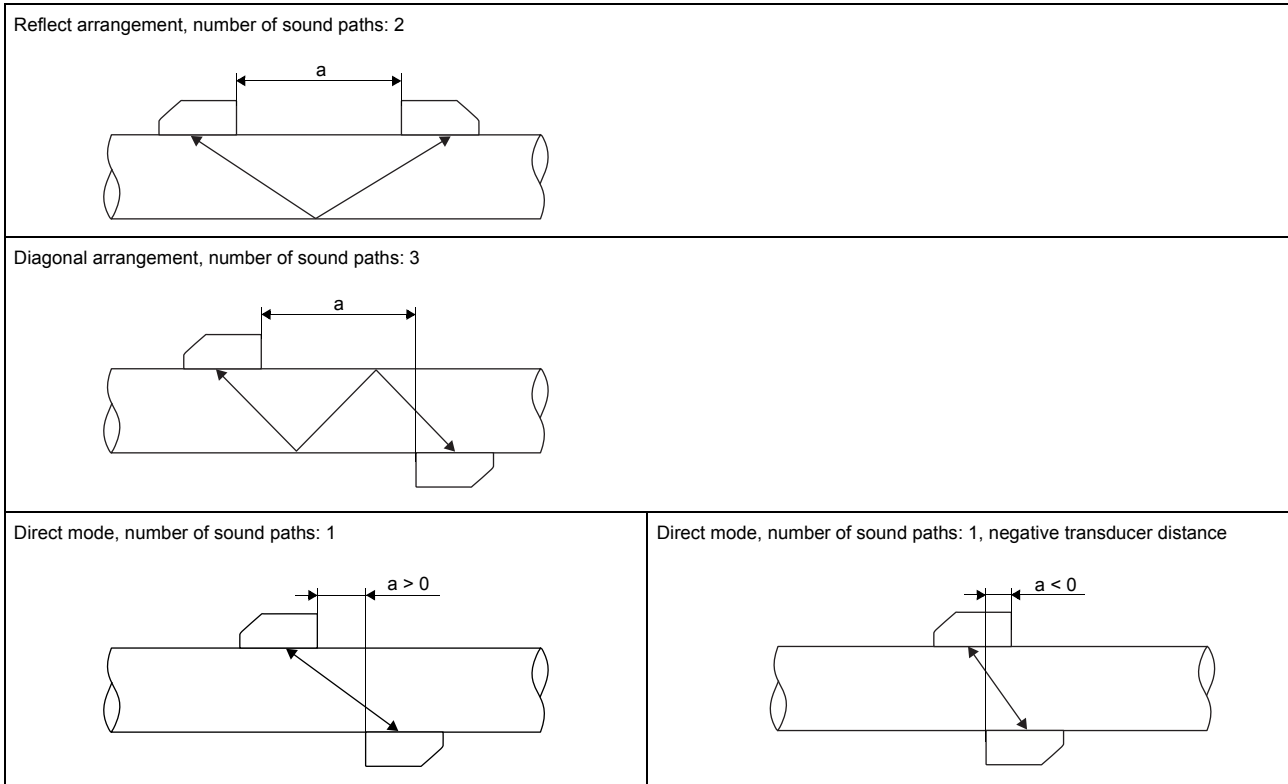
Number of sound paths

The number of sound paths is the number of transits of the ultrasonic signal through the fluid in the pipe. Depending on the number of sound paths, the following methods of installation exist:

- **reflect arrangement**
The number of sound paths is even. The transducers are mounted on the same side of the pipe. Correct positioning of the transducers is easier.
- **diagonal arrangement**
The number of sound paths is odd. The transducers are mounted on opposite sides of the pipe.
- **direct mode**
Diagonal arrangement with 1 sound path. This should be used in the case of a high signal attenuation by the fluid, pipe or coatings.

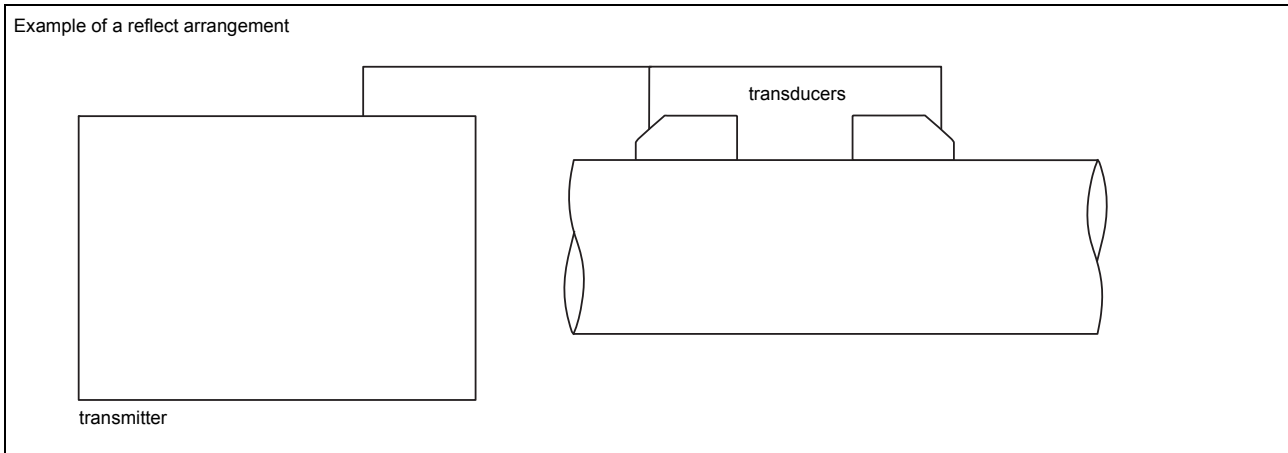
The preferred method of installation depends on the application. While increasing the number of sound paths increases the accuracy of the measurement, signal attenuation increases as well. The optimum number of sound paths for the parameters of the application will be determined automatically by the transmitter.

As the transducers can be mounted with the transducer mounting fixture in reflect arrangement or diagonal arrangement, the number of sound paths can be adjusted optimally for the application.





a - transducer distance

Typical measurement setup



Transmitter

Technical data

		FLUXUS F608**-F2
		
design		portable, FM Class I Div. 2
measurement		
measurement principle		transit time difference correlation principle, automatic NoiseTrek selection for measurements with high gaseous or solid content
flow velocity	ft/s	0.03 to 82
repeatability		0.15 % of reading ±0.02 ft/s
fluid		all acoustically conductive liquids with < 10 % gaseous or solid content in volume (transit time difference principle)
temperature compensation		corresponding to the recommendations in ANSI/ASME MFC-5.1-2011
measurement uncertainty (volumetric flow rate)		
measurement uncertainty of measuring system ¹		±0.3 % of reading ±0.02 ft/s includes calibration certificate traceable to NIST calibration facility ISO 17025 accredited
measurement uncertainty at the measuring point ²		±1 % of reading ±0.02 ft/s
transmitter		
power supply		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 100 to 230 V/50 to 60 Hz (power supply unit, outside of explosive atmosphere) • 10.5 to 15 V DC (socket at transmitter) • integrated battery
integrated battery		Li-Ion, 7.2 V/6.2 Ah
operating time	h	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • > 14 h (without inputs and backlight) • > 25 h (1 measuring channel, ambient temperature > 50 °F, without inputs and backlight)
power consumption	W	< 6 (with inputs and backlight), charging: 18
number of measuring channels		2
damping	s	0 to 100 (adjustable)
measuring cycle	Hz	100 to 1000 (1 channel)
response time	s	1 (1 channel), option: 0.07
housing material		PA, TPS, PC, Polyester, stainless steel
degree of protection		NEMA 4
dimensions	in	see dimensional drawing
weight	lb	4.9
fixation		QuickFix pipe mounting fixture
ambient temperature	°F	14 to 140
display		2 x 16 characters, dot matrix, backlight
menu language		English, German, French, Dutch, Spanish
explosion protection		
• FM		
marking		NI/CI. I /Div. 2/ GP: A,B,C,D / T5 Ta = 60 °C
measuring functions		
physical quantities		volumetric flow rate, mass flow rate, flow velocity, thermal energy rate (if temperature inputs are installed)
totalizer		volume, mass, optional: thermal energy
calculation functions		average, difference, sum
diagnostic functions		sound speed, signal amplitude, SNR, SCNR, standard deviation of amplitudes and transit times
communication interfaces		
service interfaces		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • RS232 • USB (with adapter)
accessories		
serial data kit		
• cable		RS232
• adapter		RS232 - USB
software		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • FluxDiagReader: download of measured values and parameters, graphical presentation • FluxDiag (optional): download of measurement data, graphical presentation, report generation • FluxSubstanceLoader: upload of fluid data sets
adapter		• input adapter (if number of inputs > 2)
transport case		dimensions: 19.7 x 15.7 x 7.5 in
data logger		
loggable values		all physical quantities, totalized values and diagnostic values
capacity		> 100 000 measured values

¹ with aperture calibration of the transducers

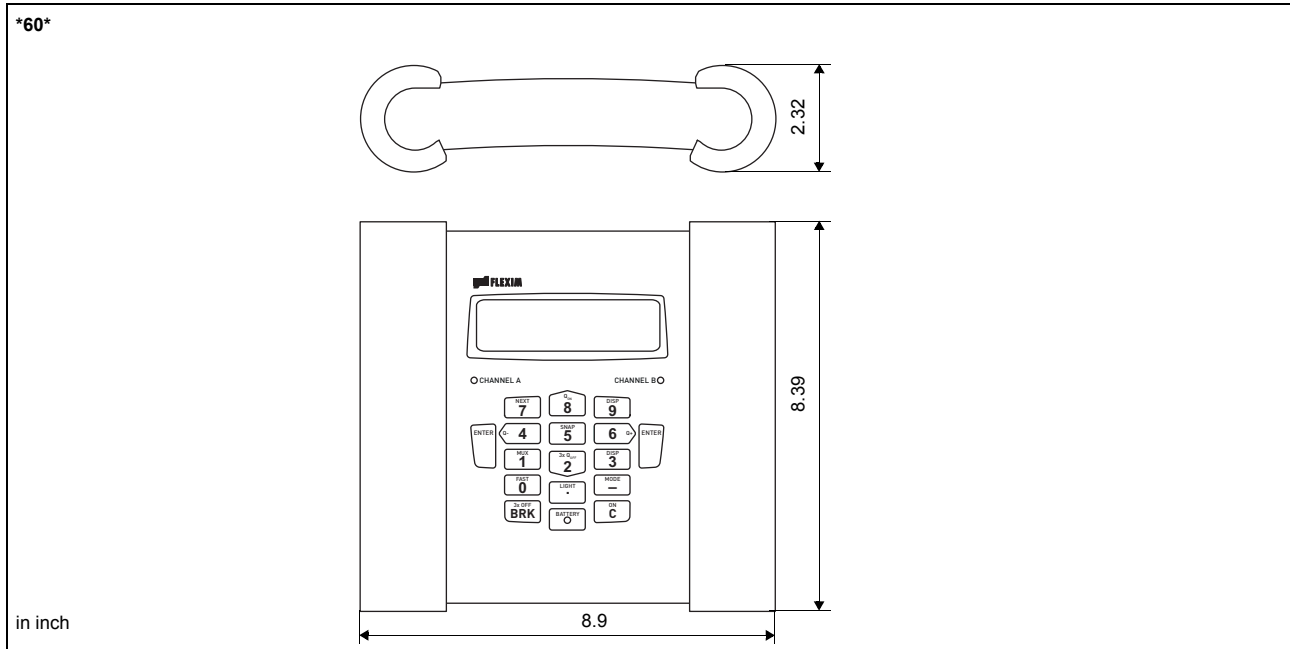
² for transit time difference principle and reference conditions

FLUXUS F608**-F2	
inputs	The inputs are galvanically isolated from the transmitter.
number	max. 4
• temperature input	
type	Pt100/Pt1000
connection	4-wire
range	°F -238 to +1040
resolution	K 0.01
accuracy	±0.01 % of reading ±0.03 K

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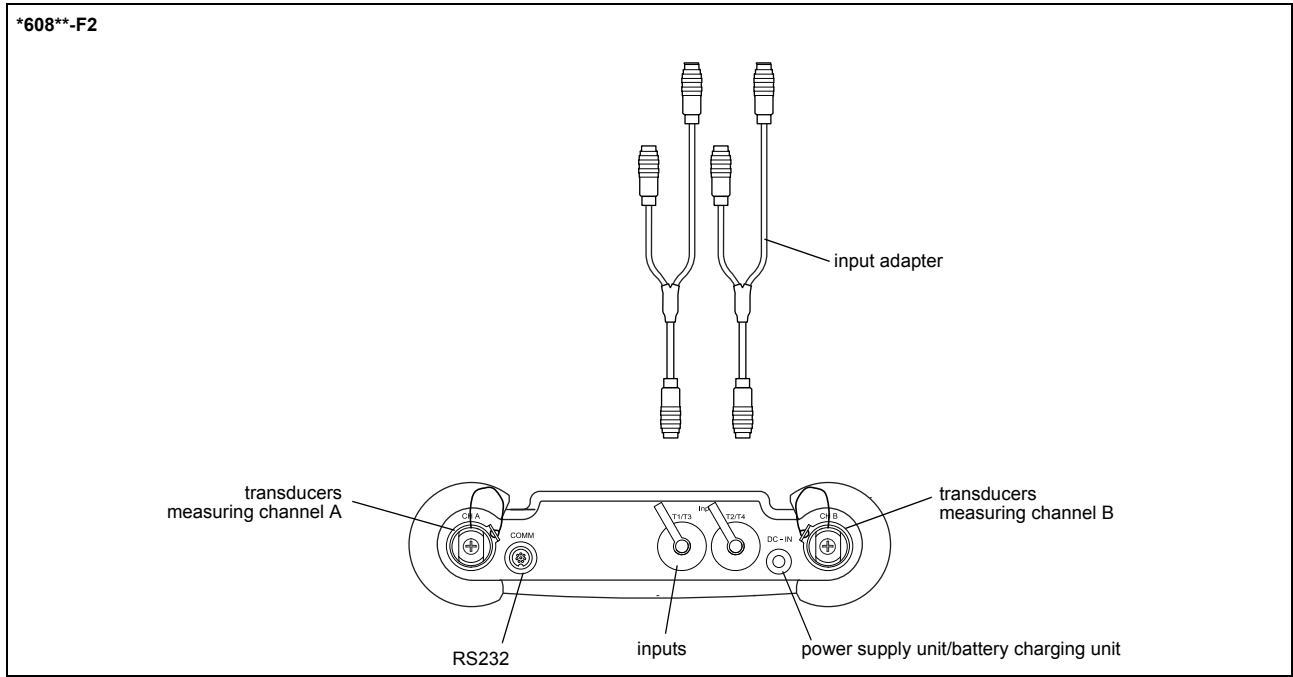
Dimensions



Standard scope of supply

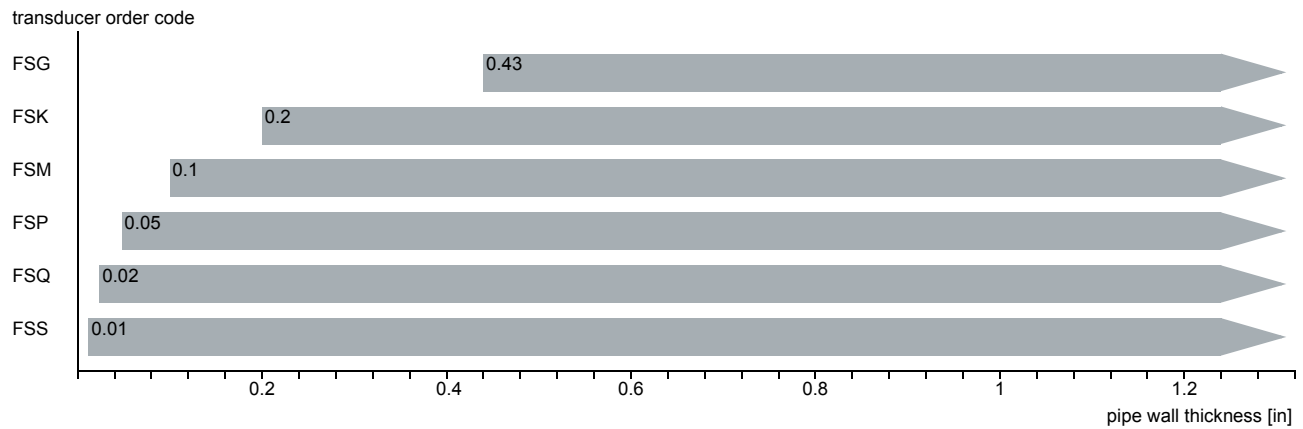
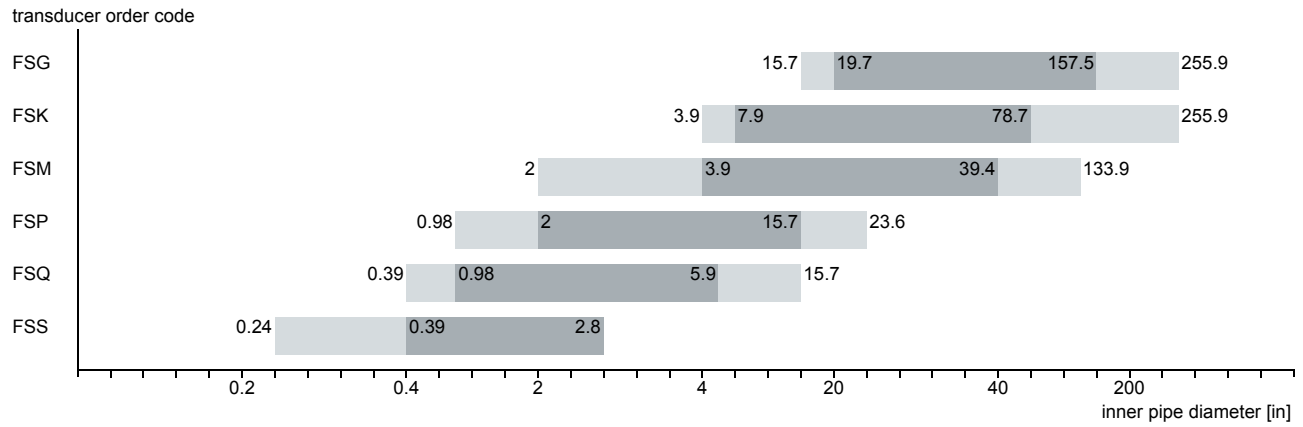
	F608 Standard	F608 Energy
application	flow measurement of liquids 2 independent measuring channels	temperature-compensated calculation of mass flow rate integrated thermal energy computer for monitoring of energy flows including energy calculator for BTU and heat measurements
inputs		
temperature input	-	2
accessories		
transport case	x	x
power supply unit, mains cable	x	x
battery	x	x
input adapter	-	-
QuickFix pipe mounting fixture for transmitter	x	x
serial data kit	x	x
measuring tape	x	x
user manual, safety instructions, Quick start guide	x	x
connector board at the upper side of the transmitter		

Adapters



Transducers

Transducer selection



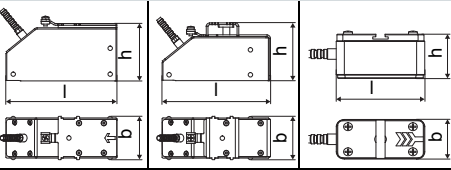
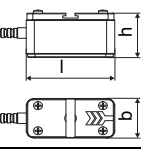
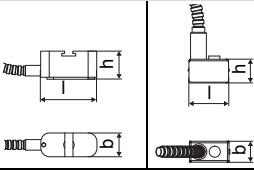

recommended
 possible

Transducer order code

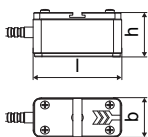
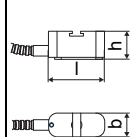

1, 2	3	4	5, 6	7, 8	9 to 11	no. of character				
transducer	transducer frequency	-	ambient temperature	explosion protection	connection system	-	extension cable	/	option	description
FS										set of ultrasonic flow transducers for liquids measurement, shear wave
	G									0.2 MHz
	K									0.5 MHz
	M									1 MHz
	P									2 MHz
	Q									4 MHz
	S									8 MHz
		N								normal temperature range
		E								extended temperature range
			F2							FM Class I Div. 2
				NL						with Lemo connector
						XXX				0 m: without extension cable > 0 m: with extension cable
								LC		long transducer cable

Technical data

Shear wave transducers (FM Class I Div. 2, NL)

order code		FSG-NF2NL/**	FSK-NF2NL/**	FSM-NF2NL/**	FSP-NF2NL/**	FSQ-NF2NL/**	FSS-NF2NL/**
technical type		C(DL)G1N51	C(DL)K1N51	C(DL)M1N51	C(DL)P1N51	C(DL)Q1N51	CDS1N51
transducer frequency	MHz	0.2	0.5	1	2	4	8
inner pipe diameter d							
min. extended	in	15.7	3.9	2	0.98	0.39	0.24
min. recommended	in	19.7	7.9	3.9	2	0.98	0.39
max. recommended	in	157.5	78.7	39.4	15.7	5.9	2.8
max. extended	in	255.9	255.9	133.9	23.6	15.7	2.8
pipe wall thickness							
min.	in	0.43	0.2	0.1	0.05	0.02	0.01
material							
housing		PEEK with stainless steel cap 304		stainless steel 304		stainless steel 304	
contact surface		PEEK		PEEK		PEI	
degree of protection		NEMA 6		NEMA 6		NEMA 4	
transducer cable							
type		1699					
length	ft	16		13		9	
length (***/****/LC)	ft	29					
dimensions							
length l	in	5.1	4.98	2.36	1.67	0.98	
width b	in	2.01	2.01	1.18	0.71	0.51	
height h	in	2.64	2.66	1.32	0.85	0.67	
dimensional drawing							
weight (without cable)	lb	1	0.79	0.08	0.02	0.01	
pipe surface temperature							
min.	°F	-40					-22
max.	°F	+266					+266
ambient temperature							
min.	°F	-40					-22
max.	°F	+266					+266
temperature compensation		x					-
explosion protection							
• FM							
pipe surface temperature (Ex)							
• min.	°F	-40					
• max.	°F	+257					
degree of protection		IP66					
marking		 NI/Cl. I,II,III/Div. 2 / GP A,B,C,D,E,F,G/ Temp. Codes dwg 3860					

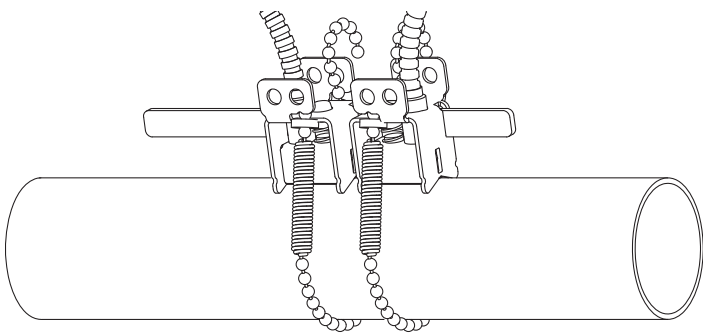

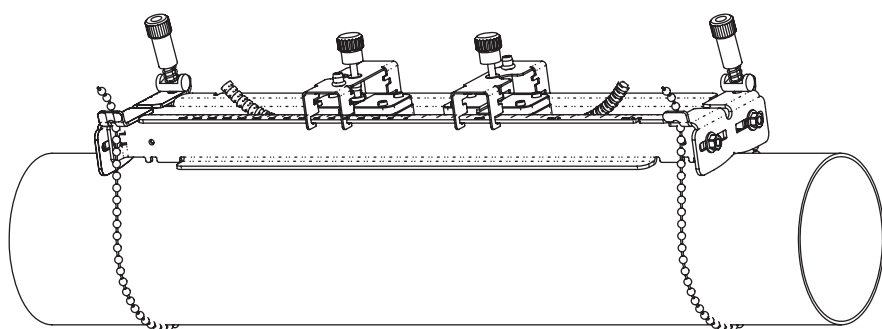
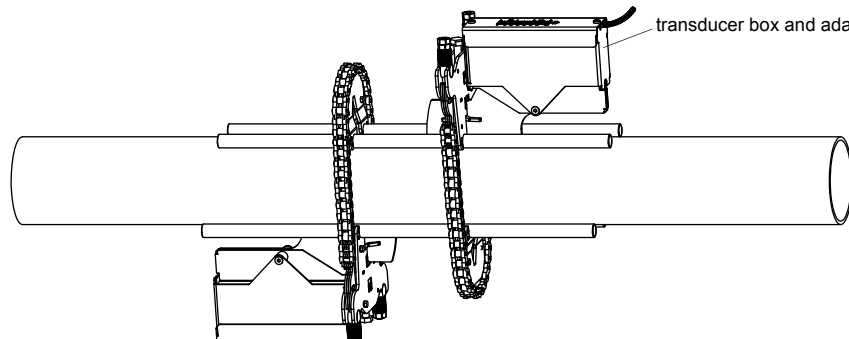
Shear wave transducers (FM Class I Div. 2, NL, extended temperature range)

order code		FSM-EF2NL/**	FSP-EF2NL/**	FSQ-EF2NL/**
technical type		C(DL)M1E51	C(DL)P1E51	C(DL)Q1E51
transducer frequency	MHz	1	2	4
inner pipe diameter d				
min. extended	in	2	0.98	0.39
min. recommended	in	3.9	2	0.98
max. recommended	in	39.4	15.7	5.9
max. extended	in	133.9	23.6	15.7
pipe wall thickness				
min.	in	0.1	0.05	0.02
material				
housing		stainless steel 304		
contact surface		Sintimid		
degree of protection		NEMA 4		
transducer cable				
type		1699		
length	ft	13		9
length (**-*****/LC)	ft	29		
dimensions				
length l	in	2.36		1.67
width b	in	1.18		0.71
height h	in	1.32		0.85
dimensional drawing				
weight (without cable)	lb	0.09		0.02
pipe surface temperature				
min.	°F	-22		
max.	°F	+392		
ambient temperature				
min.	°F	-22		
max.	°F	+392		
temperature compensation		x		
explosion protection				
• FM				
pipe surface temperature (Ex)				
• min.	°F	-40		
• max.	°F	+374		
degree of protection		IP66		
marking		 NI/Cl. I,II,III/Div. 2 / GP A,B,C,D,E,F,G/ Temp. Codes dwg 3860		

Transducer mounting fixture

Order code

1, 2	3	4	5	6	7 to 9	no. of character
transducer mounting fixture	transducer	measurement arrangement	size	fixation	outer pipe diameter	description
FS						mounting frames (transducers with transducer frequency S)
LM						ladder chain mounting accessory
VP						portable Variofix
WL						transducer box for WaveInjector
	A					all transducers
	K					transducers with transducer frequency G, K
	M					transducers with transducer frequency M, P
	Q					transducers with transducer frequency Q
	S					transducers with transducer frequency S
		D				reflect arrangement or diagonal arrangement/direct mode
		R				reflect arrangement
			S			small
			M			medium
				C		chains
				N		without fixation
					L08	0.5 to 8 in
					L22	0.5 to 22 in
					010	0.39 to 3.9 in
					025	0.39 to 9.8 in
					055	0.39 to 21.7 in

<p>mounting frames FS and chains</p> 	<p>transducer frequency: S</p> <p>material: stainless steel 304, 301, 303</p> <p>dimensions: 8.27 x 1.26 x 1.73 in</p> <p>chain length: 1 ft</p> <p>outer pipe diameter: max. 5.9 in</p>
<p>ladder chain mounting accessory LM</p> 	<p>transducer frequency: M, P, Q</p> <p>chain length: 30/78 in</p> <p>outer pipe diameter: max. 24 in</p>
<p>portable Variofix VP and chains (optional)</p> 	<p>material: stainless steel 304, 301, 303</p> <p>dimensions: 16.3 x 3.7 x 2.99 in</p> <p>chain length: 6 ft</p>
<p>transducer box WL for Wavelnjector</p>  <p>transducer box and adapter</p>	<p>see Technical specification TSWavelnjectorVx-x</p>

Coupling materials for transducers

normal temperature range (4th character of transducer order code = N)		extended temperature range (4th character of transducer order code = E)		WaveInjector WI-400	
< 212 °F	< 338 °F	< 302 °F	< 392 °F	< 536 °F	536 to 752 °F
coupling compound type N	coupling compound type E	coupling compound type E	coupling compound type E or H	coupling pad type A and coupling pad type VT	coupling pad type B and coupling pad type VT

Technical data

type	ambient temperature °F
coupling compound type N	-22 to +266
coupling compound type E	-22 to +392
coupling compound type H	-22 to +482
coupling pad type A	max. 536
coupling pad type B	536 to 752
coupling pad type VT	14 to +392

Connection systems

connection system NL	
direct connection/connection with extension cable	transducers technical type ****51

Cable

transducer cable		
type		1699
weight	lb/ft	0.06
ambient temperature	°F	-67 to +392
cable jacket		
material		PTFE
outer diameter	in	0.11
thickness	in	0.01
color		brown
shield		x
sheath		
material		stainless steel 304
outer diameter	in	0.31

extension cable		
type		1750
standard length	ft	16 32
weight	lb/ft	0.08
ambient temperature	°F	< 144
cable jacket		
material		PE
outer diameter	in	0.24
thickness	in	0.02
color		black
shield		x
sheath		
material		stainless steel 304
outer diameter	in	0.35

Cable length

transducer frequency	F, G, H, K			M, P			Q			S			
connection system NL													
transducers technical type	x	y	l	x	y	l	x	y	l	x	y	l	
*(DR)***51	ft 6	9	≤ 32	6	6	≤ 32	6	3	≤ 32	3	3	≤ 32	
option LC: *(LT)***51	ft 6	22	≤ 32	22	6	≤ 32	26	3	≤ 32	-	-	-	

x, y = transducer cable length

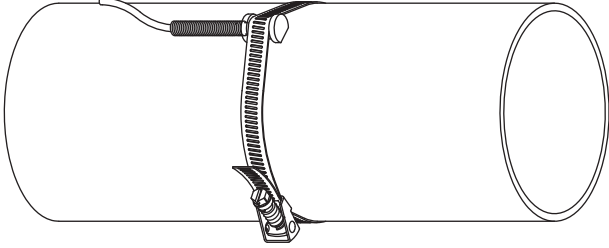
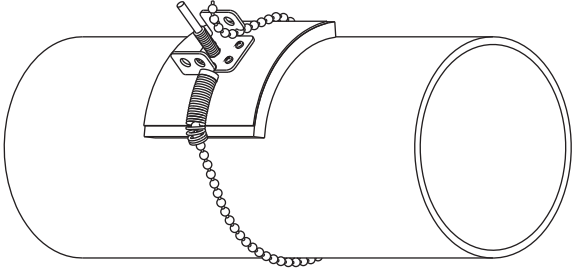
l = max. length of extension cable

Clamp-on temperature probe (optional)

Technical data

PT13N			
design		clamp-on with connector	
type		Pt1000	
connection		4-wire	
measuring range	°F	-40 to +392	
accuracy T		$\pm(0.27 \text{ }^\circ\text{F} + 2 \cdot 10^{-3} \cdot (T \text{ [}^\circ\text{F]} - 32 \text{ }^\circ\text{F}))$ class A	
accuracy ΔT (2x Pt matched according to EN 1434-1)		$\leq 0.03 \text{ }^\circ\text{F}$ (at 50 °F)	
housing		360 brass alloy	
degree of protection		NEMA 4	
dimensions			
length l	in	0.79	
width b	in	0.59	
height h	in	0.49	
dimensional drawing			
weight	lb	0.437 (without connector)	
accessories			
thermal conductivity foil 482 °F		x	
Connection system			
direct connection/connection with extension cable			
Connection			
	temperature probe	extension cable	connector
			pin
	red	black	2
	red	green	6
	white	white	1
	white	red	7
Cable			
		temperature probe	extension cable
type		4 x 24 AWG	4 x 18 AWG
standard length	ft	20	-
max. length	ft	-	656
cable jacket		PTFE	LS PVC
PT13F			
design		clamp-on short response time, with connector	
type		Pt1000	
connection		4-wire	
measuring range	°F	-58 to +482	
accuracy T		$\pm(0.27 \text{ }^\circ\text{F} + 2 \cdot 10^{-3} \cdot (T \text{ [}^\circ\text{F]} - 32 \text{ }^\circ\text{F}))$ class A	
accuracy ΔT (2x Pt matched according to EN 1434-1)		$\leq 0.1 \text{ K}$ (3 K < ΔT < 6 K), more corresponding to EN 1434-1	
response time	s	8	
housing		PEEK, stainless steel 304, copper	
degree of protection		NEMA 4	
dimensions			
length l	in	0.55	
width b	in	1.18	
height h	in	1.06	
dimensional drawing			
weight	lb	0.7 (without connector)	
accessories			
thermal conductivity paste 392 °F		x	
thermal conductivity foil 482 °F		x	
plastic protection plate, insulation foam		x	
Connection system			
direct connection/connection with extension cable			
Connection			
	temperature probe	extension cable	connector
			pin
	red	black	2
	red/blue	green	6
	white/blue	white	1
	white	red	7
Cable			
		temperature probe	extension cable
type		4 x 0.25 mm ² black	4 x 18 AWG
standard length	ft	9	-
max. length	ft	-	328
cable jacket		PTFE	LS PVC

Fixation

<p>tension strap PT13N</p>  <p>The diagram shows a cylindrical component with a tension strap PT13N attached to its side. The strap is made of a woven material and is secured with a metal fastener that has a hook-like end and a threaded section.</p>	<p>material: stainless steel 301, 410</p>
<p>ball chain PT13F</p>  <p>The diagram shows a cylindrical component with a ball chain PT13F attached to its side. The chain is made of stainless steel and is connected to a metal bracket that is bolted to the component.</p>	<p>material: stainless steel 316L length: 3 ft</p>

Wall thickness measurement (optional)

The pipe wall thickness is an important pipe parameter which has to be determined exactly for a good measurement. However, the pipe wall thickness often is unknown.

The wall thickness probe can be connected to the transmitter instead of the flow transducers and the wall thickness measurement mode is activated automatically.

Acoustic coupling compound is applied to the wall thickness probe which then is placed firmly on the pipe. The wall thickness is displayed and can be stored directly in the transmitter.

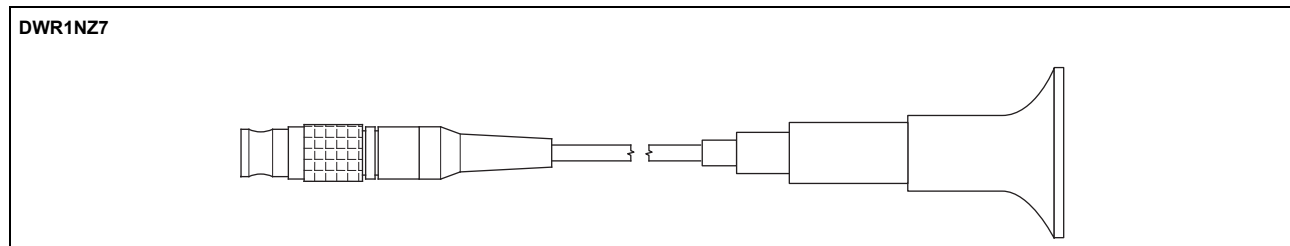
Technical data

DWR1NZ7		
measuring range ¹	in	0.04 to 9.8
resolution	in	0.0004
accuracy		1 % ±0.004 in
fluid temperature	°F	-4 to +392, short-time peak max. 932
explosion protection		-
cable		
type		2616
length	ft	4

¹ The measuring range depends on the attenuation of the ultrasonic signal in the pipe. For strongly attenuating plastics (e.g., PFA, PTFE, PP) the measuring range is smaller.

Cable

2616		
ambient temperature	°F	<392
cable jacket		
material		FEP
outer diameter	in	0.2
color		black
shield		x



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