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SAFETY CONSIDERATIONS

PRESCRIPTION.- Before starting any operation for replacement, maintenance or repair, the unit must be disconnected from any kind of power supply.

Keep the unit clean, to assure good functioning and performance. To prevent electrical or fire hazard, do not expose the unit to excessive moisture. Do not operate the unit in the presence of flammable gases or fumes, such an environment definetely constitutes a safety hazard. The unit is designed to be mounted on a metal panel.

If the unit shows signs of damage, is not able to show the expected measures, has been stored in a bad conditions or a protection failure happened, then do not attempt to operate, keep the unit out of service and send for repair.

IN CASE OF FIRE

1.- Disconnect the unit from the power supply
2.- Give the alarm according to the local rules
3.- Switch off all air conditioning devices
4.- Attack the fire with carbonic snow, do not use water in any case

WARNING: In closed areas do not use systems with vaporized liquids.

1-GENERAL INFORMATION

The DRF series of Isolated Signal Converters, allow to convert process signals, temperatures, electrical signals, etc, to current loops or voltage signals for further retransmision, while introducing into the system galvanic isolation barriers between the input, the output and the power supply circuits.

The DRF series of Isolated Signal Converters, offer an excellent relation between signal conversion speed and measurement accuracy. Offering a 0.2% accuracy and up to a 70ms response time depending on the model, these units can process information coming from probes or transducers, in such a way that can be quickly retransmitted in a fast and accurate form to remote data acquisition systems or PLC's. The isolated signal converters of the ISC series are ideal to integrate into 12 bit data acquisition systems.

Its powerful galvanic isolation of 3.500 V introduces high security to the measuring systems, preventing the propagation of those phenomenon which usually cause damage to the remote system, such as transient peaks or energy shocks in any of the circuits of the system. The galvanic isolation also acts as a strong CE barrier. The decoupling created between the input, output and power circuits avoids pernicious effects on the output, such as ground loops or signal leaks, which distort the acquired data and are extremely difficult to isolate once introduced into the signal.

The isolation offered by the DRF series of Isolated Signal Converters is a 3 way isolation. Thus, all the benefits exposed above are applicable to any of the three circuits composing the instrument : input, output and power.

Recalibration of the instruments is realized in a fast and easy way. Opening the front cover grants access to the configuration jumpers. Additional Span and Offset potentiometers are directly accessible from the frontal part. These potentiometers are highly decoupled, minimizing the iterations needed to obtain a correct adjustment.

In order to obtain a higher and quickest benefit of the DRF units, we recommend you to read carefully the information provided in this manual before proceeding to the installation of the instrument. In this manual you will find all technical data, both electrical and mechanical, needed for a correct instalation and utilization.

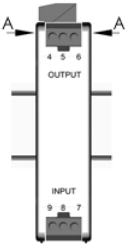
Note : The DRF Isolated Signal Converter instruments have a characteristics label attached on the side of the instrument. Check that the information indicated on the label matches with your application requirements, and specially check that the value and type of the power supply needed matches the value and type of the power supply availble on your installation.

2-INSTALLATION

Before installing the instrument check the characteristics label attached to the side of the unit. Specially check that the value of the power supply needed, matches the power supply available on your installation.

The characteristics label also indicates the input/output signal relation for the instrument. Remember to take note of the new input/output relation if you proceed to readjust the instrument.

To access the selection jumpers for input and output ranges, and the Span and Offset potentiometers, slightly press the A-A points of the front cover as indicated on Figure1.



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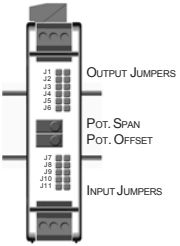

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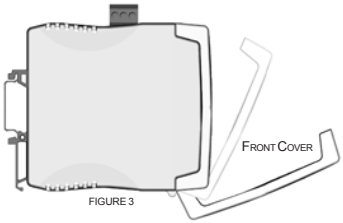


FIGURE 3

The instrument must be installed in such a way that it remains in vertical position as indicated on Figure4.

To help dissipate the heat, a free space of 2mm must be left available on both sides of the instrument.

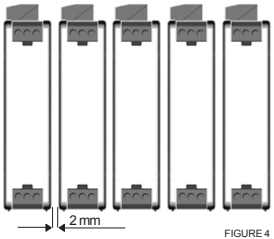
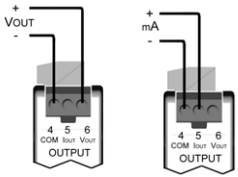


FIGURE 4

IMPORTANT - Opening the front cover may grant access to areas with dangerous voltages. Operations must be performed by qualified technical staff.

3-DIMENSIONS AND CONNECTIONS

Output Connections



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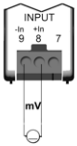
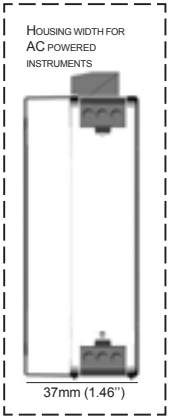
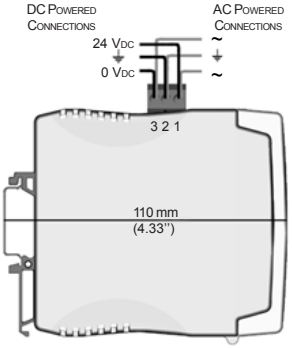
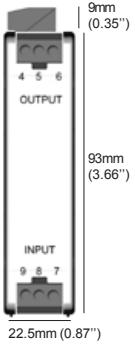


LOADCELL SIGNAL

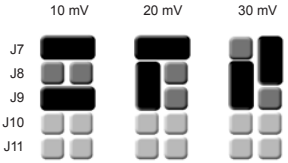




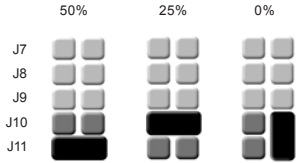


4-SIGNAL INPUT JUMPERS AND PREOFFSET

The position of the input jumpers selects the range for the input signal as indicated below.



The position of the preoffset jumpers selects the additional offset to be added to the signal.



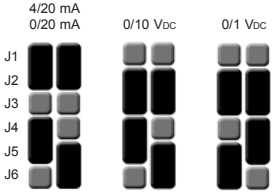
Note - Loadcells are characterized by its output signal related to the power supply value. Typical values are 1mV/V, 2mV/V and 3mV/V. For a 10V power supply, the 1mV/V loadcell has a signal range of 10mV, the 2mV/V loadcell has a signal range of 20mV and the 3mV/V loadcell has a signal range of 30mV.

Note - Preoffset selection adds an additional offset to the standard offset controled by the Offset Potentiometer. The value of this preoffset if expressed in % of the input signal range.

Example .- If the DRF-LC has an input/output relation of 0/20mV = 0/10Vdc, selecting a 50% preoffset will allow for a input/output relation of up to 10/20mV = 0/10Vdc, with still the additional offset associated to the Offset Potentiometer available.

5-SIGNAL OUTPUT JUMPERS

The position of the output jumpers selects the range for the output signal as indicated below.



6-READJUSTING INPUT / OUTPUT

To change the input/output relation of the instrument, proceed as indicated below :

1.- Open the front cover

2.- Select the required input and preoffset jumpers *(Section 4, page 6)*

3.- Select the required output jumpers *(Section 5, page 7)*

4.- Connect a mV generator to the input terminals *(Section 3, page 5)*

5.- Connect a multimeter to the output terminals *(4 and 5 for mA or 4 and 6 for Vdc)*

(Following values in brackets are examples for readjusting the input/output relation of the instrument to 0/20mV = 0/10 Vdc)

6.- Generate the low input signal *(0mV)*
Operate the OFFSET potentiometer, until the low output value is reached *(0Vdc)*

7.- Generate the high input signal *(20mV)*
Operate the SPAN potentiometer, until the high output value is reached *(10Vdc)*

8.- Repeat 6 and 7 to improve the accuracy until it reaches its specified value

9.- Close the front cover

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7-TECHNICAL DATA - I

INPUT SIGNAL in mVdc

RANGES	0/10mV
	0/20mV
	0/30mV
SIGNAL	mV differential
PRETARA	50%
	25%
	0%

POWER OF THE LOADCELL
Not included*

**See instrument FAR-1 to power up to 4 loadcells (4 wire loadcells) or 1 loadcell with sense (6 wire laodcell) with stabilized power.*

OUTPUT SIGNAL in Vdc

RANGES	0/10Vdc
	0/1Vdc
Maximum Output	11Vdc aprox.
Minimum Output	-1Vdc aprox.
Minimum Load	≥1KOhm

OUTPUT SIGNAL in mA

RANGES	0/20mA (4/20mA)
Maximum Output	22mA aprox.
Minimum Output	-1.5mA aprox.
Maximum Load	≤400 Ohms

POWER SUPPLY

DC Power	24Vdc ±10%
AC Power	230Vac±10% 50/60 Hz
	115Vac±10% 50/60 Hz
Consumption	<3.8VA

MECHANICAL DIMENSIONS

DC Power	22.5x93x110 mm / 120 gr.
AC Power	37.0x93x110 mm / 200 gr.

DIN rail mounting (DIN46277, DIN EN50022)
37.5x7.5 mm (1,38x0,3'')

GALVANIC ISOLATION

DC Powered Units

Input - Output	3K5 *(60 seconds)*
Power - Input	3K5 *(60 seconds)*
Power - Output	1KV *(60 seconds)*

AC Powered Units

Input - Output	3K5 *(60 seconds)*
Power - Input	3K5 *(60 seconds)*
Power - Output	3K5 *(60 seconds)*

Tested during 60 seconds (Vac TrueRMS, current leak <1mA). Levels also named STRENGTHENED ISOLATION, for systems with Polution Level 2

GENERAL SPECIFICATIONS

Accuracy	<0.2% F.S.
Linearity	<0.1% F.S.
Thermal Drift	250 ppm/ºC Typical
Response Time	<75mS *(90% of signal)*
Warm-Up Time	15 minutes
Connections	Plug-in Screw Term.
Max. Wire Section	2.5 mm^2
Protection	IP-30
Operating Temp.	0 to +60ºC
Storage Temp.	-20 to +70ºC

MATERIALS

Box and Cover in Poliamide PA6 UL94 V-2 blue color
Terminals in Poliamide UL94 V-0

8-CAUTIONS, WARNINGS AND NOTES

INSTALLATION

PRECAUTIONS.- The installation and the future use of this unit must be done by qualified personnel. The unit has not AC (mains) switch, neither internal protection fuse. It will be in operation as soon as power is connected. The installation must incorporate an external mains switch with a protection fuse and also the necessary devices to protect the operator and the process when using the unit to a control machine or process where injury to personnel or damage to equipment or process may occur as a result of failure of the unit.

RECOMMENDED FUSES

24Vdc	230Vac	115Vac
250mA	70mA	100mA
Time-lag	Time-lag	Time-lag

SAFETY PRESCRIPTIONS.- The unit has been designed and tested under EN-61010-1 rules and is delivered in good conditions. This User's Manual contains useful information the user has to respect in order to warrant a proper function of the unit, and good security conditions. The unit is designed for internal applications, with good ventilation to avoid excessive heating. It can ***occasionally*** be applied to temperatures down to 10ºC or up to 70ºC without security degradation. Do all connections before applying power to the unit. Do not make wiring changes until power is disconnected from the unit.

Install the unit far from elements generating electric noise, or magnetic fields, such as power relays, electrical engines, speed regulators, etc. Do not use until installation is completed.

POWER SUPPLY.- The power supply must be connected to the adequate terminals 1, 2 and 3. The characteristics of the power supply are shown on the side label. Please make sure that the unit is correctly connected to a power supply of the correct voltage and frequency. Do not connect the unit to lines which are overloaded or which provide power to systems working on ON-OFF cycles or inductive loads.

ATTENTION

For instruments which are DC powered, respect the polarity of the power terminals as indicated on this user's manual, and on the instrument itself.

SIGNAL WIRING .- Certain considerations must be given when installing the signal input wires. If the wires are long, they can act as an antenna introducing electrical noise into the unit. Therefore :

- Do not install the signal input wires in the same conduit with power lines, heaters, solenoids, SCR controls, etc ... and always far from these elements.

- When shielded wires are used, leave unconnected the shield on the transmitter side and connect the other end of the shield to the ground terminal of the machine.

EXCITATION VOLTAGE

Model DRF-PR incorporates an internal power supply for transducers. The output of this power supply is connected to terminals 7 and 9. Do not connect these terminals to an external power supply, beacuse both units will be permantently damaged.

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FOR **WARRANTY** RETURNS, please have the following information available BEFORE contacting OMEGA:

1. Purchase Order number under which the product was PURCHASED,
2. Model and serial number of the product under warranty, and
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