



**⚠ WARNING! READ BEFORE INSTALLATION ⚠**

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**1 GENERAL REMARKS**

**1.1 Purpose of This Manual**

This Operating Manual contains fundamental and essential advice to be followed for the installation, operation and servicing of the device. It must be read without fail before assembly and start-up of the device by the fitter, the operator and the specialist personnel responsible for the device. This Operating Manual must be available at the point of use at all times.

**1.2 Symbols**



**Warning!**

This indicates a possibly hazardous situation where failing to follow advice may result in risks to people, animals, the environment and buildings.



**Information!**

This emphasizes key information for efficient, fault-free operation.

**1.3 Limits of liability**

Failure to respect this safety information, the envisaged uses or the limit values relating to use indicated in the technical data for the device may result in risk or to injury to people, the environment or the plant. Claims for compensation for damage against the device supplier are excluded in such an eventuality.

**1.4 Copyright**

This Operating Manual may only be copied and passed on as a complete document without the special permission of the publisher.

### **1.5 Warranty**

For the product described here, we offer a warranty pursuant to our General Terms and Conditions of Delivery and Payment.

### **1.6 Manufacturer's address, customer service**

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## **2 SAFETY**

### **2.1 General sources of hazards**

Pressure gauges are pressurized parts where failure can result in hazardous situations. The selection of pressure gauge should be made in accordance with the rules set out in EN 837-2.

### **2.2 Use in accordance with intended purpose**

The devices are only to be used for the intended purpose as described by the manufacturer.

The devices are used for direct display of differential pressure. The integrated switching elements are inductive proximity switches with a groove design, supplied by isolating switch amplifiers with certified intrinsically safe power circuits. If the set limit values are exceeded, the output circuits are opened or closed.

For each use scenario, the corresponding set-up regulations must be respected. The use in explosion risk area is not permitted.

### **2.3 Operator's responsibility**

Safety instructions for proper operation of the device must be respected. They are to be provided by the operator for use by the respective personnel for installation, servicing, inspection and operation. Risks from electrical energy and from the released energy of the medium, from escaping media and from improper connection of the device must be eliminated. The details for this are to be found in the corresponding applicable set of regulations, such as DIN EN, UVV (accident prevention regulations) and in sector-specific instances of use (DVWG, Ex-. GL, etc.) the VDE guidelines and the regulations supplied by local utilities companies.

The device must be taken out of service and secured against inadvertently being restarted, if the presumption is that risk-free operation is no longer possible.

Modifications or other technical alterations to the device by the customer are not permitted. This also applies to installation of spare parts. Modifications or alterations may only be carried out by the manufacturer.

The operational safety of the device is only guaranteed where it is used for its intended purpose. The specification of the device must be adapted to the medium used in the plant. The limit values indicated in the technical data must not be exceeded. The safety information detailed in this Operating Manual, existing national regulations for accident prevention, and the operator's internal regulations regarding working, operations and safety must be respected.

The operator is responsible for all specified servicing, inspection and installation works being carried out by authorized and qualified specialists.

### **2.4 Staff qualifications**

The device may only be installed and started up by a staff specialist who is familiar with installation, start-up and operation of the product.

Staff specialists are people who are able to assess the work assigned to them on the basis of their specialized training, their knowledge and experience and their knowledge of the relevant standards, and can identify possible risks.

### **2.5 Signs/Safety markings**

The pressure gauge and its surrounding packaging carry markings. These markings show the model number, measurement range and manufacturer. The pressure gauge can be provided with additional signs and safety markings advising on special conditions.

### **2.6 Safety Equipment**

This device is constructed with separate pressure chambers and case for display and can be considered as solid front safety design. For a description, please refer to Chapter 5.2. The window uses multi-layer safety glass.

### **2.7 Environmental protection**

This device may optionally contain a filling liquid (e.g. glycerin or silicone oil). The provisions set out in the REACH regulation on production and use of chemicals are to be respected, and the relevant safety data sheets from the manufacturers of the chemicals are available on our website for download.

## **3 TECHNICAL DATA**

The detailed technical information can be found in the documents located on the website [www.ashcroft.com](http://www.ashcroft.com).

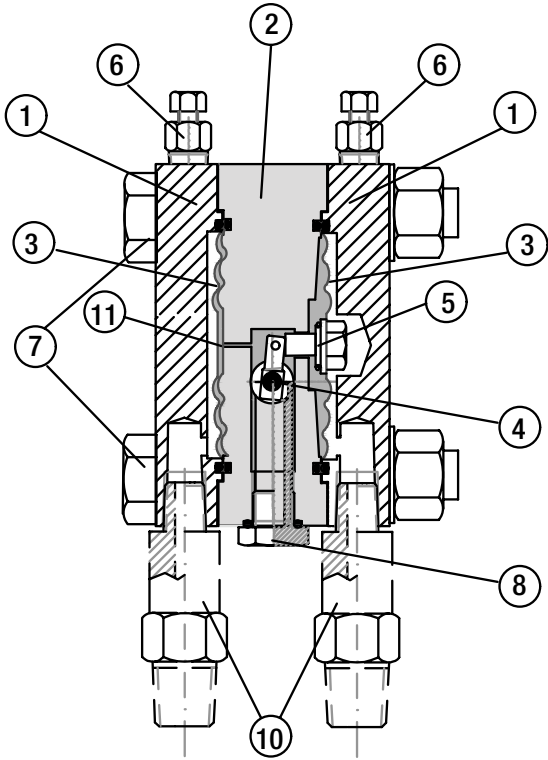
## **4 LABELING ON THE DEVICE**

The label with the model number and type designation is located on the outside of the housing. The materials identifier is encoded in the type designation.

**5 CONSTRUCTION & FUNCTION**

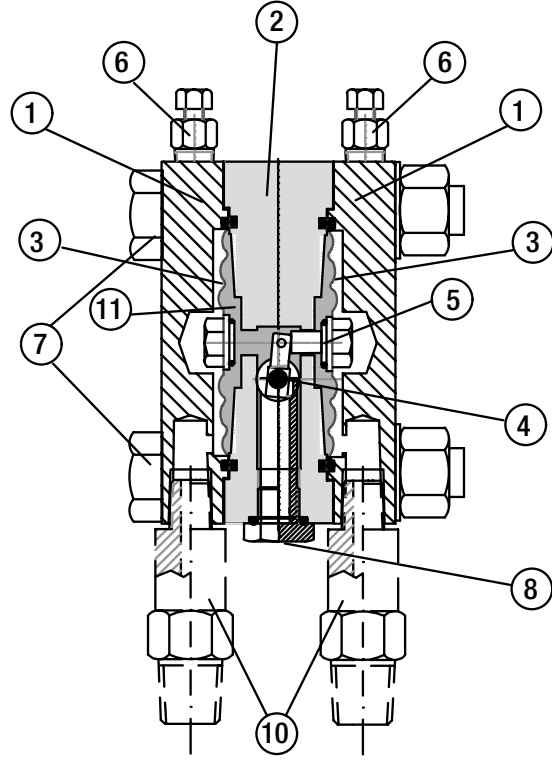
**5.1 Overview**

RANGE FROM 0,4 bar to 40 bar  
RANGE FROM 6 psi to 600 psi

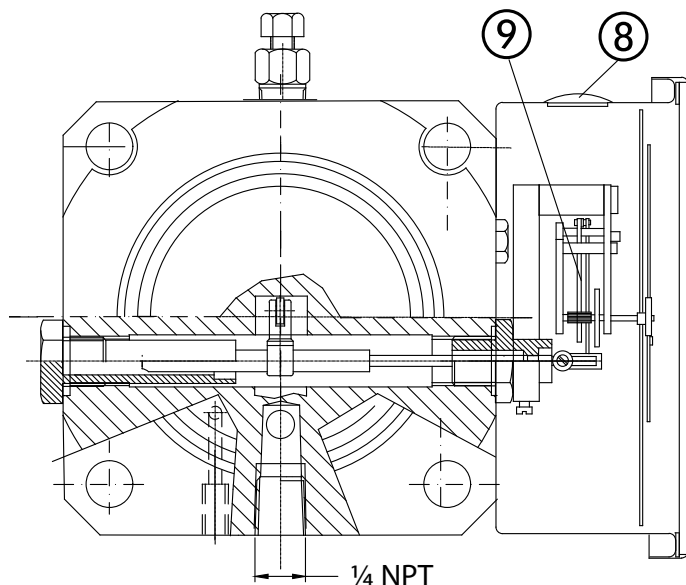


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|----------------------------------------|----------------------------|
| 1 PRESSURE CHAMBER                     | 6 PURGING PLUG             |
| 2 BODY (NOT WETTED PART)               | 7 BOLTS & NUTS             |
| 3 DIAPHRAGM                            | 8 DRIVE SHAFT GUIDE        |
| 4 CONNECTING ROD (ST.ST)               | 9 MOVEMENT                 |
| 5 INTERNAL STOP (AISI316L) 1 ON + SIDE | 10 PROCESS CONNECTIONS     |
|                                        | 11 PRESSURE TRANSFER FLUID |

RANGE FROM 60 mbar to 300 mbar  
RANGE FROM 1 psi to 5 psi



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|------------------------------------------|----------------------------|
| 1 PRESSURE CHAMBER                       | 6 PURGING PLUG             |
| 2 BODY (NOT WETTED PART)                 | 7 BOLTS & NUTS             |
| 3 DIAPHRAGM                              | 8 DRIVE SHAFT GUIDE        |
| 4 CONNECTING ROD (ST.ST)                 | 9 MOVEMENT                 |
| 5 INTERNAL STOP (AISI316L) ONE EACH SIDE | 10 PROCESS CONNECTIONS     |
|                                          | 11 PRESSURE TRANSFER FLUID |



## 5.2 Description of function

The compared pressures are measured by flexible stainless steel diaphragms on either side of the chamber. The two diaphragms are mechanically linked by a rigid connecting rod. To compensate high static pressures, the cavity between the two diaphragms is filled with hydraulic fluid. When pressures are equal on both diaphragms, they are at zero position. When there is a difference in pressures acting on the two diaphragms, they are deflected away from the high pressure side, towards the lower pressure side, causing a displacement of the connecting rod. A precision mechanism translates the linear displacement of the diaphragm connecting rod to angular movement of the gauge's dial pointer. The pointer's displacement range of 270° corresponds to the full scale differential pressure. The connecting rod has intermediate flanges on either side, which protects the diaphragms against excess differential pressure.

## 5.3 Description of components

### 5.3.1 Dial scale and pointer

The differential pressure gauge is equipped with a dial face and pointer pursuant to DIN 16003, nominal size 100 mm or 160 mm.

### 5.3.2 Instrument connection

The instrument connection is located on the underside of the differential pressure gauge and can be a threaded or flanged similar to DIN EN 61518.

### 5.3.3 Vent and flushing connection

The vent and flushing connection of each pressure chamber is located on its top side. It is closed by a screwed in G 1/8 plug

## 5.4 Accessories

The use of a 3 or 5 valve manifold is highly recommended. Please contact Ashcroft or your Ashcroft representative regarding available special tools and accessories.

## 6 TRANSPORT

### 6.1 Safety

The differential pressure gauge should be protected against the effects of knocks and impacts. The device should only be transported in the packaging provided, to protect against glass breakage. The device should only be transported in a clean condition (free of residues of measuring media).

### 6.2 Transport inspection

The delivery must be checked for completeness and damage during transport. In the event of damage during transport, the delivery must not be accepted, or only accepted subject to reservation of the scope of the damage being recorded and, if necessary, a complaint initiated

### 6.3 Storage

The differential pressure gauge must be stored in dry, clean conditions, within a temperature range of -40 to 160°F (-40 to +70 °C), protected against direct exposure to sunlight and protected against impact damage

## 7 ASSEMBLY/INSTALLATION

### 7.1 Safety

To ensure safe working during installation and servicing, suitable shut-off valves must be installed (see 5.4 Accessories), enabling the device:

- To be depressurized or taken out of operation;
- To be disconnected from the main pressure source for repair or checks within the relevant plant;
- Or to enable function tests of the device to be performed "on site".

During the mounting/installation of the gauge, the equipment must be protected against the main pressure source and electrical connections isolated from being switched back on.

### 7.2 Preparations (requirements for the installation location)

- A check on suitability of the device for the medium to be measured, the scope of the measurement range and static pressure and of the protection against special conditions such as vibration, pulsation and pressure spikes.
- A bracket must be installed to support the pressure gauge if the process pipe is not able to provide adequate support.
- The installation location should be chosen such that the work-spaces for operating personnel are not located to the rear of the pressure gauge.

### 7.3 Mounting/Installation

#### 7.3.1 Process connection

The instrument is intended and factory adjusted for vertical mounting, pressure ports downward. When mounted in other orientation (max. ± 10°) the pointers' zero position needs to be adjusted (see 7.4.1 Zero point adjustment).

- Connection to be undertaken by authorized and qualified staff specialist only.



- Use only with the mechanical process connection provided – regarding the configuration, see order code on the device type label, with a matching threaded seal.



- When connecting the device, the pipes must be depressurized.

- The pressure metering pipe must be laid inclined in such a way that, for example, for measurements of fluids no air pockets can form, and for measurements of gases no water pockets. If the necessary incline is not achieved, then at suitable points water separators or air separators must be installed.
- The pressure metering pipe must be kept as short as possible and laid without sharp bends, to avoid delays.
- The instruments pressure ports are marked by “+” and “-” symbols:
  - “+” port must be connected to the higher pressure
  - “-” port must be connected to the lower pressure.
- With liquid measurement media, the pressurized connection pipe must be degassed, since any gas bubble inclusions result in measurement error.

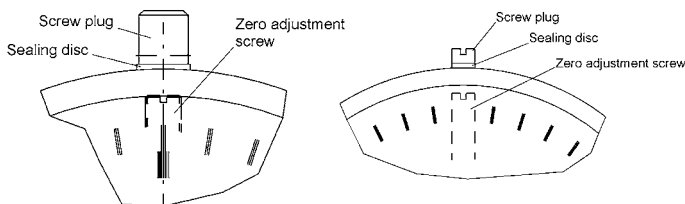
## 7.4 Starting up

The precondition for start-up is proper installation of all electrical feed lines and metering pipes. All connecting lines must be installed so that no mechanical forces can act on the device. Before start-up, the seal on the pressurized connection line must be leak checked.

### 7.4.1 Zero point adjustment

The differential pressure gauge is factory adjusted therefore in normal case adjustment during installation is not necessary. On this devices zero point adjustment on site is possible. For this, proceed as follows:

- Equalize pressure in both chambers.
- Disassemble screw plug
- Use zero point adjustment screw to set the pointer to zero.
- Mount screw plug



Filled Models need to be vented before commissioning by opening the air valve on the upper side of instrument!

## 8 SERVICING

The device is maintenance-free. However, to ensure reliable operation and a long lifetime for the device, we recommend that it is checked regularly.

### 8.1 Safety

When undertaking servicing work on the device, the pressure lines must be depressurized, the electrical connections isolated, and secured against being switched back on.

### 8.2 Gauge performance and recalibration

The check on function and recalibration is carried out at regular intervals, depending on the application. The precise testing cycles should be adjusted in line with the operating conditions and ambient conditions. In the event of various device components interacting, the operating instructions for all other devices should also be taken into account.

- Check on display.
- Check on function, in conjunction with downstream components.
- Check of pressurized connection pipes for seal condition.

### 8.3 Cleaning and maintenance

Cleaning is carried out using a non-aggressive cleaning agent, with the ventilation valve closed and respecting the protection category of the device.

## 9 FAULTS

### 9.1 Safety

Defective or faulty pressure gauges put the operational safety and process safety of the plant at risk, and can lead to a risk or injury to persons, the environment or the plant.

### 9.2 In the event of failure

All defective or faulty devices must be taken out of service. If a repair is required, the device must be sent directly to our Repairs Department. Please contact your Ashcroft distributor or Ashcroft directly for complete instructions.

### 9.3 Indications of failure

- Jerky or random movement of the pointer
- Pointer does not set to zero with pressure applied to both sides
- Indications that the measurement system seal (**diaphragm**) has been breached (discoloration to dial display or of filling liquid)
- Bent or loose pointer
- Cracked window
- Leaks when the device is filled
- Damage to housing

In these instances, repair or replacement of the pressure gauge is always required.

## 10 REMOVAL, DISPOSAL



**10.1 Safety**

Residues of measuring media in and on removed gauges can constitute a risk to people, the environment and equipment. Adequate precautionary measures must be adopted. If necessary, the devices must be cleaned thoroughly (see advice in safety data sheets).

**10.2 Removal**

- When servicing the gauge, the pressure lines must be depressurized, the electrical connections isolated and secured against being switched back on.
- Dismount the gauge using a suitable tool.



**10.3 Disposal**

Please help to protect the environment and dispose of or recycle the devices and components used in accordance with the applicable regulations.