

New

3-color display Electromagnetic Type Digital Flow Switch



RoHS

IP65

Switches/
Sensors

ISA3

PFMB

LFE

● Compact/Lightweight

● Weight: **340 g** (LFE1□3)

Actual size

56 mm

40 mm

90 mm

Oval fluid passage reduced product width

● Reverse flow can be detected.
Reverse flow error display

● Operating fluid temperature: **0 to 85°C**
(Refer to page 576.)

● Current consumption: **45 mA**
Reduced by up to 10% when the display is off.




Reverse flow error (Code LLL)

Reverse flow

Integrated display type

● Applicable fluids: Water, Water-soluble coolant
(Refer to page 590.)

Variations

| Integrated display type/ Remote type | Flow range | | | | | | | | |
|--|--------------------|------------------|---------|----------|----------|--------------------|-----------|--------------------|--|
| | 0.5 L/min | 2 L/min | 5 L/min | 10 L/min | 20 L/min | 50 L/min | 100 L/min | 200 L/min | |
|  LFE1 | Rated flow range | | | | | Display flow range | | | |
|  LFE2 | Rated flow range | | | | | | | Display flow range | |
|  LFE3 | Display flow range | Rated flow range | | | | | | | |

Remote type

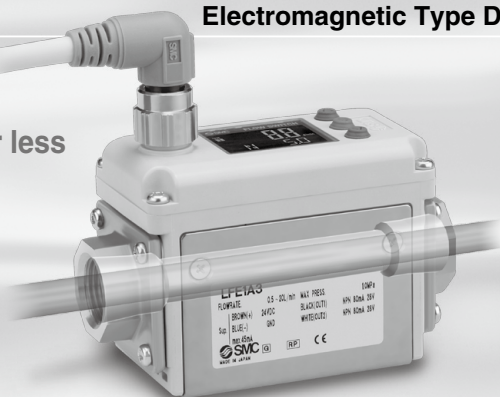
Sensor unit

3-color display Monitor unit

Series **LFE**□



- Pressure loss:
0.02 MPa or less



- Repeatability: **± 1.5 % F.S.** (Analog output)
- Flow direction can be changed after installation.
- **3-color/2-screen display**

■ Default flow direction (Normal flow)

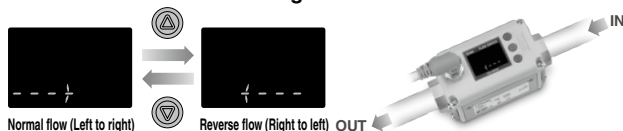


Instantaneous flow rate is displayed.

Parameters below can be set.

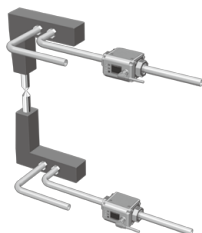
- Set value
- Flow direction
- Accumulated value
- Line name
- Peak/Bottom value

■ Flow direction can be changed after installation.

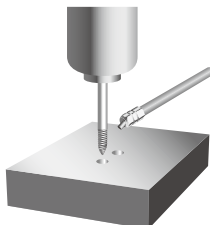


Application Examples

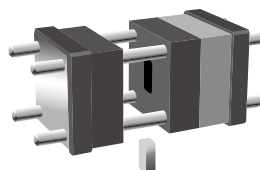
Flow control for pressurized cooling water for welding gun



Flow control for water-soluble coolant



Flow control for cooling water for metal mold



Principle

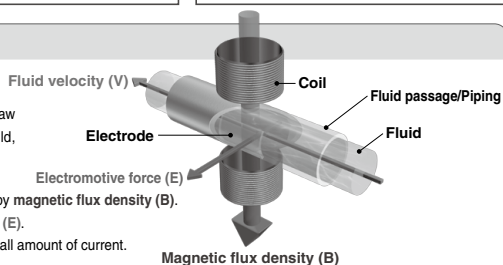
Faraday's law of induction

Measure the volume flow of inductive liquid by applying the Faraday's law of induction "when conductive object is moved through a magnetic field, electromotive force will be generated."

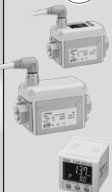



Electromotive force (E) is proportional to fluid velocity (V) multiplied by magnetic flux density (B).

Volume flow is calculated by converting measured electromotive force (E).

Oval fluid passage is used to improve the magnetic flux density by small amount of current.



Flow Switch for Liquid Variations

| Series | Applicable fluid | Detection method | Minimum setting unit | Enclosure* | Display | Rated flow range [L/min] | | | | | | | | | | | | |
|--|--|----------------------|----------------------|------------|-----------------|--------------------------|-----|---|---|----|----|----|----|----|-----|-----|-----|-----|
| | | | | | | 0 | 0.5 | 2 | 5 | 10 | 20 | 30 | 40 | 50 | 100 | 150 | 200 | 250 |
| LFE <i>New</i>  | Water/ Water-soluble coolant | Electromagnetic type | 0.1 L/min | IP65 | 3-color display | 0.5 | | | | | 20 | | | | | | | |
| | | | 0.5 L/min | | | 2.5 | | | | | | | | | 100 | | | |
| | | | 1 L/min | | | 5 | | | | | | | | | | | 200 | |
| PF3W  | Water/ Ethylene glycol aqueous solution | Karman vortex | 0.01 L/min | IP65 | 3-color display | 0.5 | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| | | | 0.1 L/min | | | 2 | | | | | 16 | | | | | | | |
| | | | 0.1 L/min | | | 5 | | | | | | | 40 | | | | | |
| | | | 1 L/min | | | 10 | | | | | | | | | 100 | | | |
| | | | 2 L/min | | | | | | | | | | | 50 | | | 250 | |
| PVC piping type  | Water/ Ethylene glycol aqueous solution | Karman vortex | 1 L/min | IP65 | 3-color display | 10 | | | | | | | | | 100 | | | |
| | | | 2 L/min | | | 30 | | | | | | | | | | | 250 | |
| PF2D  | Deionized water and Chemicals | Karman vortex | 0.05 L/min | IP65 | 1-color display | 0.4 | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| | | | 0.1 L/min | | | 1.8 | | | | | | | 20 | | | | | |
| | | | 0.5 L/min | | | 4 | | | | | | | | | | | 40 | |

* For remote type monitor unit, only the front side is IP65 compliant. Other parts are IP40 compliant.

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How to Order



Integrated display type



Remote type sensor unit



Remote type monitor unit
(For details, refer to page 580.)

Output specifications

| Symbol | OUT |
|--------|-------------------|
| J | Analog 1 to 5 V |
| K | Analog 4 to 20 mA |

Remote type sensor unit

LFE 1 J 3

Integrated display type

LFE 1 A 3

Rated flow range

| Symbol | Rated flow range |
|--------|------------------|
| 1 | 0.5 to 20 L/min |
| 2 | 2.5 to 100 L/min |
| 3 | 5 to 200 L/min |

Output specifications

| Symbol | OUT1 | OUT2 |
|--------|------|-------------------|
| A | NPN | NPN |
| B | PNP | PNP |
| C | NPN | Analog 1 to 5 V |
| D | NPN | Analog 4 to 20 mA |

Port size

| Symbol | Port size | Applicable model | | |
|--------|-----------|------------------|------|------|
| | | LFE1 | LFE2 | LFE3 |
| 3 | 3/8 | ● | — | — |
| 4 | 1/2 | ● | — | — |
| 6 | 3/4 | — | ● | — |
| 8 | 1 | — | — | ● |

Option

| Symbol | Lead wire with M12 connector (Length 3 m) | Bracket | Unit specifications |
|--------|---|---------|---------------------|
| Nil | ● | — | L/min |
| 1 | — | — | L/min |
| 2 | ● | ● | L/min |
| 3 | — | ● | L/min |
| 4* | ● | — | gal/min |
| 5* | — | — | gal/min |
| 6* | ● | ● | gal/min |
| 7* | — | ● | gal/min |

* Option 4, 5, 6, 7 which are not SI units are not for use in Japan due to a new measurement law.

* Option 4, 5, 6, 7 cannot be selected when the output specification is J or K.

Reference: 1 [L/min] = 0.2642 [gal/min]
1 [gal/min] = 3.785 [L/min]

Thread type

| Symbol | Type |
|--------|------|
| Nil | Rc |
| N | NPT |
| F | G |

Option/Part No.

When only optional parts are required, order with the part number listed below.

| Option | Part no. | Note | Weight |
|------------------------------|----------|----------------------|---------------|
| Lead wire with M12 connector | LFE-1-A3 | Lead wire length 3 m | Approx. 175 g |

| Option | Part no. | Note | Weight |
|---------|----------|---|--------------|
| Bracket | LFE-1-D | Tapping screw for LFE1 (3 x 10), 4 pcs. | Approx. 45 g |
| | LFE-2-D | Tapping screw for LFE2 (3 x 10), 4 pcs. | Approx. 70 g |
| | LFE-3-D | Tapping screw for LFE3 (3 x 10), 4 pcs. | Approx. 70 g |

Specifications (Integrated Display Type)

| Model | | LFE1 | LFE2 | LFE3 |
|---|-------------------------------------|---|--------------------|--------------------------|
| Applicable fluid ^{Note 1)} | | Water, Conductive fluids which do not corrode the fluid contact materials, ^{Note 1)} | | |
| Applicable fluid conductivity ^{Note 1)} | | 5 μS/cm or more (micro siemens) | | |
| Detection method | | Electrostatic capacity type | | |
| Ground ^{Note 10)} | | Negative ground | | |
| Rated flow range | | 0.5 to 20 L/min | 2.5 to 100 L/min | 5 to 200 L/min |
| Display flow range | | 0.4 to 24.0 L/min | 2.0 to 120.0 L/min | 4 to 240 L/min |
| Set flow range | | 0.4 to 24.0 L/min | 2.0 to 120.0 L/min | 4 to 240 L/min |
| Zero-cut flow ^{Note 2)} | | 0.4 L/min | 2.0 L/min | 4 L/min |
| Minimum setting unit | | 0.1 L/min | 0.5 L/min | 1 L/min |
| Accumulated volume per pulse (Pulse width: 50 ms) | | 0.1 L/pulse | 0.5 L/pulse | 1 L/pulse |
| Operating fluid temperature ^{Note 3)} | | 0 to 85°C (with no freezing and condensation) | | |
| Display units | | Instantaneous flow rate L/min, Accumulated flow L | | |
| Repeatability | | Displayed values: ±2% F.S. Analog output: ±1.5% F.S. | | |
| Temperature characteristics | Ambient temperature | ±5% F.S. (25°C reference) | | |
| | Fluid temperature | ±5% F.S. (25°C reference) | | |
| Operating pressure range ^{Note 3)} | | 0 to 1 MPa | | |
| Proof pressure ^{Note 3)} | | 2 MPa | | |
| Accumulated flow range ^{Note 4)} | | 99999999.9 L | 999999999 L | |
| | | by 0.1 L | by 1 L | |
| Switch output | | NPN or PNP open collector output | | |
| | Maximum load current | 80 mA | | |
| | Maximum applied voltage | 28 VDC | | |
| | Internal voltage drop | NPN: 1 V or less (at load current 80 mA) PNP: 1.5 V or less (at load current 80 mA) | | |
| | Response time ^{Note 5) 7)} | 0.25 s/0.5 s/1 s/2 s/5 s | | |
| | Output protection | Short-circuit protection | | |
| | Output mode | Select from hysteresis mode, window comparator mode, accumulated output mode, or accumulated pulse output mode. | | |
| | Response time ^{Note 6) 7)} | 0.25 s/0.5 s/1 s/2 s/5 s | | |
| Analog output | Voltage output | Output voltage: 1 to 5 V Output impedance: 1 kΩ | | |
| | Current output | Output current: 4 to 20 mA Max. load impedance: 600 Ω | | |
| Hysteresis | | Variable | | |
| Display method | | 2-screen (Main screen: 4-digit, 7-segment, 2-color, Red/Green; Sub screen: 6-digit, 11-segment, White) Display values updated 5 times per second | | |
| Status LED's | | Output 1, Output 2: (Orange) | | |
| Power supply voltage | | 24 VDC ±10% | | |
| Current consumption | | 45 mA or less (Load current is not included.) | | |
| Environmental resistance | Enclosure ^{Note 9)} | IP65 | | |
| | Operating temperature range | 0 to 50°C (with no freezing and condensation) | | |
| | Operating humidity range | Operating, Storage: 35 to 85% R.H. (with no condensation) | | |
| Standards and regulations | | CE marking, RoHS | | |
| Parts material in contact with fluid | | PPS, FKM, C37 | | |
| Port size | | 3/8 (10A) | 1/2 (15A) | 3/4 (20A) |
| Weight (Body) ^{Note 8)} | | Approx. 340 g | Approx. 400 g | Approx. 520 g |
| | | | | 1 (25A) Approx. 680 g |

Note 1) Refer to "Applicable Fluids List" on page 590.

Note 2) 0 L/min is displayed when the flow is less than zero-cut flow.

Note 3) When fluids with high temperature are used, the operating pressure range and proof pressure will be reduced. (For details, refer to "Operating Pressure Range" on page 576.)

Note 4) Cleared when the power supply is turned off. Hold function can be selected. (Interval of 2 or 5 minutes can be selected.) If the 5 minutes interval is selected, the life of the memory element (electronic parts) is limited to 1 million cycles. (If energized for 24 hours, life is calculated as 5 minutes \times 1 million = 5 million minutes = about 9.5 years.) Therefore, if using the hold function, calculate the memory life for your operating conditions, and use within this life.

Note 5) The response time when the set value is 63% in relation to the step input.

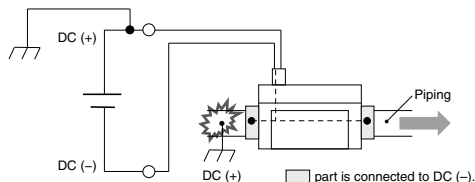
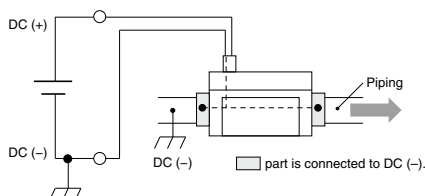
Note 6) The response time until the set value reaches 63% in relation to the step input. There might be a 0.05 seconds delay at response time of 0.25 s or 0.5 s due to the timing of internal processing.

Note 7) The stability of display and analog output is improved by increasing the response time setting. (For details, refer to "Stability" on page 576.)

Note 8) When options are used, add the weight of the optional parts.

Note 9) Enclosure is for digital flow switch with lead wire and M12 connector.

Note 10) Piping port is grounded to DC(-)/blue line. Power supply with positive ground cannot be used. Please consult SMC if the product is used for positive ground environment.



If used with power supply with positive ground, the metal part shorts.

Specifications (Remote Type Sensor Unit)

Refer to page 581 for the monitor unit specifications.

| Model | | LFE1 | LFE2 | LFE3 |
|--|---|---|------------------|----------------|
| Applicable fluid ^{Note 1)} | | Water, Conductive fluids which do not corrode the fluid contact materials. ^{Note 1)} | | |
| Applicable fluid conductivity ^{Note 1)} | | 5 μS/cm or more (micro siemens) | | |
| Detection method | | Electrostatic capacity type | | |
| Ground ^{Note 5)} | | Negative ground | | |
| Rated flow range | | 0.5 to 20 L/min | 2.5 to 100 L/min | 5 to 200 L/min |
| Operating fluid temperature ^{Note 2)} | | 0 to 85°C (with no freezing and condensation) | | |
| Repeatability | | Analog output: ±1.5% F.S. | | |
| Temperature characteristics | Ambient temperature | ±5% F.S. (25°C reference) | | |
| | Fluid temperature | ±5% F.S. (25°C reference) | | |
| | Operating pressure range ^{Note 2)} | 0 to 1 MPa | | |
| Proof pressure ^{Note 2)} | | 2 MPa | | |
| Analog output | Response time ^{Note 3)} | 0.5 s | | |
| | Voltage output | Output voltage: 1 to 5 V Output impedance: 1 kΩ | | |
| | Current output | Output current: 4 to 20 mA Max. load impedance: 600 Ω | | |
| Power supply voltage | | 24 VDC ±10% | | |
| Current consumption | | 42 mA or less (Load current is not included.) | | |
| Environmental resistance | Enclosure | IP65 | | |
| | Operating temperature range | 0 to 50°C (with no freezing and condensation) | | |
| | Operating humidity range | Operating, Storage: 35 to 85% R.H. (with no condensation) | | |
| Standards and regulations | | CE marking, RoHS | | |
| Parts material in contact with fluid | | PPS, FKM, C37 | | |
| Port size | | 3/8 (10A) | 1/2 (15A) | 3/4 (20A) |
| Weight (Body) ^{Note 4)} | | Approx. 335 g | Approx. 395 g | Approx. 515 g |
| | | | | Approx. 675 g |

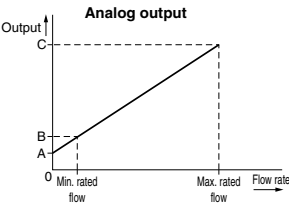
Note 1) Refer to "Applicable Fluids List" on page 590.
Note 2) When fluids with high temperature are used, the available pressure range will be reduced. (For details, refer to "Operating Pressure Range" on page 576.)
Note 3) The response time until the set value reaches 63% in relation to the step input.
Note 4) When options are used, add the weight of the optional parts.
Note 5) Piping port and the metal part of the body are grounded to DC(-)/blue line. Power supply with positive ground cannot be used. Please consult SMC if the product is used for positive ground environment.

Analog Output

Flow/Analog output

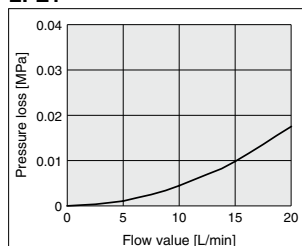
| | A | B | C |
|----------------|------|--------|-------|
| Voltage output | 1 V | 1.1 V | 5 V |
| Current output | 4 mA | 4.4 mA | 20 mA |

| Model | Rated flow [L/min] | |
|-------|--------------------|---------|
| | Minimum | Maximum |
| LFE1 | 0.5 | 20 |
| LFE2 | 2.5 | 100 |
| LFE3 | 5 | 200 |

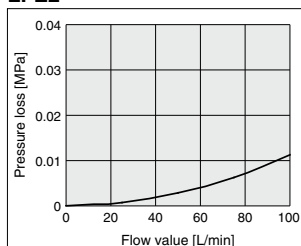


Flow-rate Characteristics (Pressure Loss)

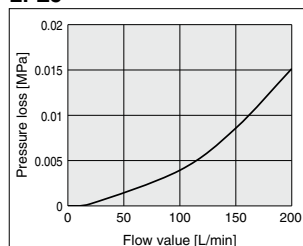
LFE1



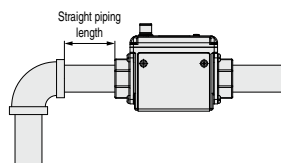
LFE2



LFE3



Straight Piping Length and Accuracy (Reference Value)



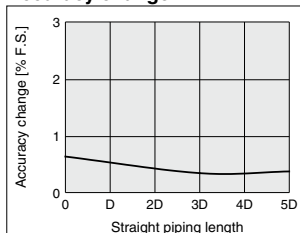
[Measurement conditions]

Fluid: Tap water
Pressure: 0.2 MPa

[Port size]

LFE1: 3/8 inch
LFE2: 3/4 inch
LFE3: 1 inch

Accuracy change

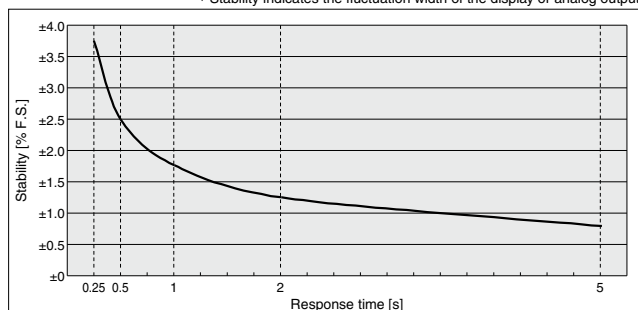


- The smaller the piping size, the more the product is affected by the straight piping length. The straight piping length shall be 5 times (5D) or more of the piping size to achieve the stable measurement.

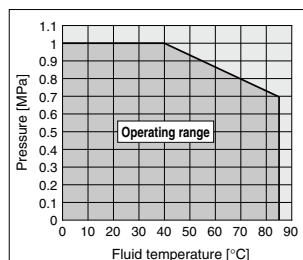
| Model | Straight piping length (mm) | |
|-------|--------------------------------|-----|
| | D | 5D |
| LFE1 | 11 | 55 |
| LFE2 | 21 | 105 |
| LFE3 | 27 | 135 |

Stability

- * Stability is improved by increasing the response time setting.
- * Stability indicates the fluctuation width of the display or analog output.



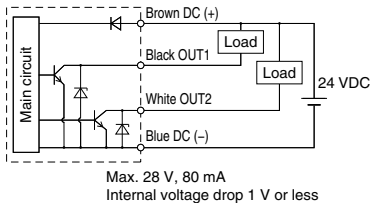
Operating Pressure Range



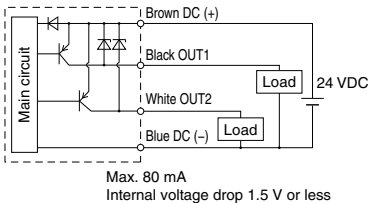
When fluids with high temperature are used, the operating pressure range will be reduced. Operate within the range mentioned above. The proof pressure is double the operating pressure range.

Internal Circuits and Wiring Examples (Integrated Display Type)

NPN 2 outputs type
LFE□A□□□

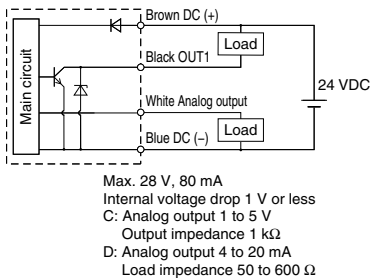


PNP 2 outputs type
LFE□B□□□



NPN + Analog output type
LFE□C□□□

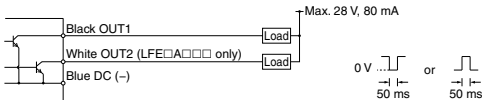
NPN + Analog output type
LFE□D□□□



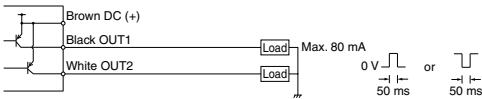
Accumulated pulse output wiring examples

NPN 2 outputs type
LFE□A□□□

NPN + Analog output type
LFE□C□□□/LFE□D□□□



PNP 2 outputs type
LFE□B□□□

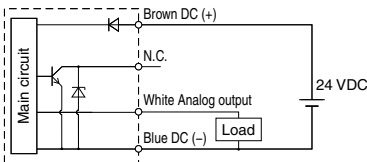


* When accumulated pulse output is selected, the indicator light is turned off.

Internal Circuits and Wiring Examples (Remote Type Sensor Unit)

Analog output type

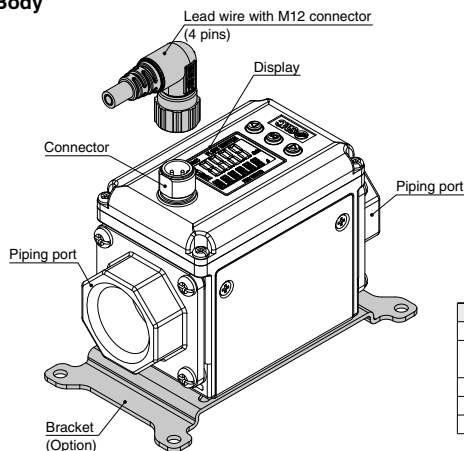
LFE□J□□□ (Voltage output type)
LFE□K□□□ (Current output type)



* Do not connect N.C.

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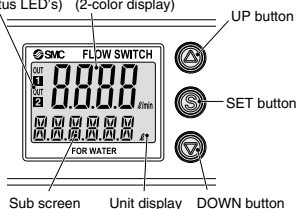
Body



| Description | Function |
|------------------------------|---|
| Connector | M12 connector for electrical connections |
| Lead wire with M12 connector | Cable for supplying power to the product and for receiving output |
| Piping port | For piping connections |
| Display | Displays the flow, set values and error information. |
| Bracket | Mounting bracket for installing the product |

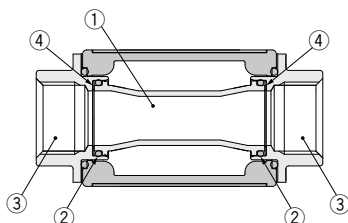
Display

Output display Main screen
(Status LED's) (2-color display)



| Description | Function |
|-------------------------------|---|
| Main screen (2-color display) | Displays the flow value, setting mode and error codes. |
| Sub screen | Displays the accumulated flow, set value, peak/bottom value, flow direction and line names. In setting mode, the set status is displayed. (For details, refer to page 585.) |
| Output display (Status LED's) | Displays the output condition of OUT1 and OUT2. When ON: Orange light turns on. |
| UP button | Selects the mode and the display shown on the sub screen, or increases the ON/OFF set value. |
| SET button | Used to make changes in each mode and to enter the set value. |
| DOWN button | Selects the mode and the display shown on the sub screen, or decreases the ON/OFF set value. |
| Unit display | Indicates the unit currently selected. |

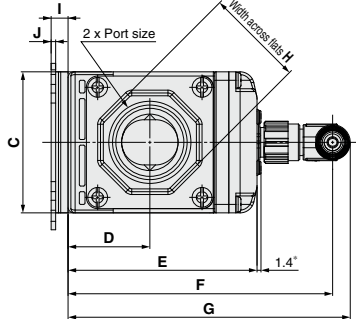
Fluid Passage Structure



| No. | Description | Material |
|-----|-------------|----------|
| 1 | Pipe | PPS |
| 2 | O-ring | FKM |
| 3 | Attachment | C37 |
| 4 | Spacer | FKM |

Dimensions

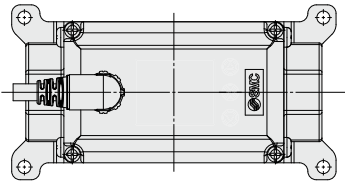
Integrated display type LFE1/2/3



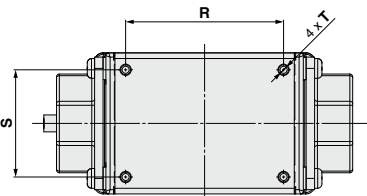
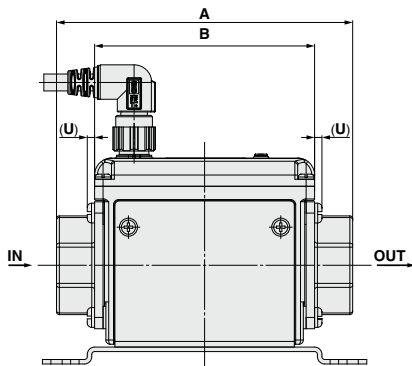
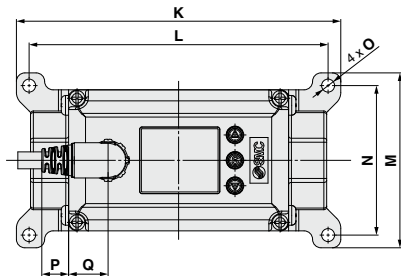
* For integrated display type

Note) The electrical entry for lead wire with M12 connector does not rotate and is limited to only one entry direction.

Remote type sensor unit LFE1/2/3



* Dimensions are the same as those for integrated display type.

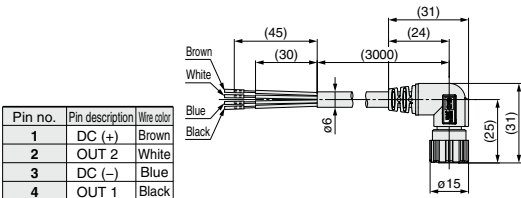


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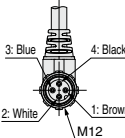
| Model | Port size | A | B | C | D | E | F | G | H | I | J | K | L | M | N | O | P | Q | R | S | T | U |
|---------|-----------|-----|----|----|------|----|-----|-----|----|---|-----|-----|-----|----|----|-----|-----|------|----|----|----------------|-----|
| LFE1□3□ | 3/8 | 90 | 73 | 40 | 23.5 | 56 | 83 | 89 | 24 | 6 | 1.6 | 96 | 87 | 48 | 39 | 4.6 | 12 | 11.5 | 52 | 28 | ø2.5 depth 8.5 | 2 |
| LFE1□4□ | 1/2 | 104 | 73 | 40 | 23.5 | 56 | 83 | 89 | 28 | 6 | 1.6 | 96 | 87 | 48 | 39 | 4.6 | 12 | 11.5 | 52 | 28 | ø2.5 depth 8.5 | 2 |
| LFE2□ | 3/4 | 105 | 78 | 50 | 29 | 67 | 94 | 100 | 35 | 6 | 1.6 | 115 | 106 | 62 | 53 | 4.6 | 9.5 | 14 | 56 | 38 | ø2.5 depth 8.5 | 2.6 |
| LFE3□ | 1 | 120 | 90 | 55 | 32 | 73 | 100 | 106 | 41 | 6 | 1.6 | 115 | 106 | 62 | 53 | 4.6 | 3.5 | 20 | 68 | 43 | ø2.5 depth 8.5 | 2.6 |

Note) If you are installing directly, choose the self tapping screw screw-in depth is to 8 mm. Tighten the screw with a torque of 0.7 to 0.8 N·m.

Lead wire with M12 connector



| Pin no. | Pin description | Wire color |
|---------|-----------------|------------|
| 1 | DC (+) | Brown |
| 2 | OUT 2 | White |
| 3 | DC (-) | Blue |
| 4 | OUT 1 | Black |



Cable Specifications

| Conductor | Nominal cross section area | AWG21 |
|----------------------------|-----------------------------|-------------------------------------|
| External diameter | Approx. 0.9 mm | |
| Material | Non-lead heat resistant PVC | |
| Insulator | External diameter | Approx. 1.7 mm |
| Colors | Brown, White, Black, Blue | |
| Sheath | Material | Non-lead heat and oil resistant PVC |
| Finished external diameter | ø6 | |

3-color display

Digital Flow Monitor

Series LFE0



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How to Order

LFE0 **A** **—** **M** **V** **C**

Type

0 Remote type monitor unit

For remote type sensor unit, select the analog output 1 to 5 V type.
Applicable sensors: LFE□□□□

Output specifications

| Symbol | OUT1 | OUT2 |
|----------|------|-------------------|
| A | NPN | NPN |
| B | PNP | PNP |
| C | NPN | Analog 1 to 5 V |
| D | NPN | Analog 4 to 20 mA |

Lead wire

| | |
|------------|---|
| Nil | With power supply/output connection lead wire (2 m) |
| N | Without power supply/output connection lead wire |

Lead wire is not connected, but shipped together.

Remote type monitor unit/Unit specifications

| Symbol | Instantaneous flow rate | Accumulated flow |
|----------|-------------------------|------------------|
| M | L/min | L |
| G | gal/min | gal |

* Under the New Measurement Law, units other than SI (symbol "M") cannot be used in Japan.
Note) G: Made to Order

Reference: 1 [L/min] ↔ 0.2642 [gal/min]
1 [gal/min] ↔ 3.785 [L/min]

Option 2

| | |
|------------|--------------------------|
| Nil | Without connector |
| C | Sensor connector (1 pc.) |

Connector is not connected, but shipped together.

Option 1

| | |
|------------|--|
| Nil | None |
| T | Panel mount adapter |
| V | Front protective cover + Panel mount adapter |

Option/Part No.

When only optional parts are required, order with the part numbers listed below.

| Description | Part no. | Note |
|--|------------------|---|
| Panel mount adapter | ZS-26-B | With waterproof seal, mounting screw |
| Front protective cover + Panel mount adapter | ZS-26-C | With waterproof seal, mounting screw |
| Front protective cover only | ZS-26-01 | Separately order panel mount adapter etc. |
| Power supply/output connection lead wire | ZS-40-W | Lead wire length 2 m |
| Sensor connector (e-con) | ZS-28-C-5 | 1 pc. |
| Lead wire with connector for copying | ZS-40-Y | Connect up to 10 slave units |

Specifications

| Model | | LFE0 | | |
|------------------------------|--|--|--|--|
| Display flow range | | 0.4 to 24.0 L/min (Flow under 0.4 L/min is displayed as "0.00") | 2.0 to 120.0 L/min (Flow under 2.0 L/min is displayed as "0.0") | 4 to 240 L/min (Flow under 4 L/min is displayed as "0.0") |
| Set flow range | | 0.4 to 24.0 L/min | 2.0 to 120.0 L/min | 4 to 240 L/min |
| Minimum setting unit | | 0.1 L/min | 0.5 L/min | 1 L/min |
| Accumulated volume per pulse | | 0.1 L/pulse | 0.5 L/pulse | 1 L/pulse |
| Display units | | Instantaneous flow rate L/min, Accumulated flow L | | |
| Accuracy | | Displayed values: $\pm 0.5\%$ F.S., Analog output: $\pm 0.5\%$ F.S. | | |
| Repeatability | | $\pm 0.5\%$ F.S. | | |
| Temperature characteristics | | $\pm 0.5\%$ F.S. (25°C reference) | | |
| Accumulated flow range | Note 1) | 99999999.9 L | 999999999 L | |
| | | by 0.1 L | by 1 L | |
| Switch output | | NPN or PNP open collector output | | |
| | Maximum load current | 80 mA | | |
| | Maximum applied voltage | 28 VDC | | |
| | Internal voltage drop | NPN: 1 V or less (at load current 80 mA) PNP: 1.5 V or less (at load current 80 mA) | | |
| | Response time <small>Note 2)</small> | 0.5 s/1 s/2 s/5 s | | |
| | Output protection | Short-circuit protection | | |
| | Output mode | Select from hysteresis mode, window comparator mode, accumulated output mode, or accumulated pulse output mode. | | |
| | Flow rate mode | Select from hysteresis mode or window comparator mode. | | |
| | Temperature | | | |
| | Response time <small>Note 3)</small> | 0.5 s/1 s/2 s/5 s (linked with the switch output) | | |
| Analog output | Voltage output | Output voltage: 1 to 5 V Output impedance: 1 kΩ | | |
| | Current output | Output current: 4 to 20 mA Max. load impedance: 300 Ω for 12 VDC, 600 Ω for 24 VDC | | |
| Hysteresis | | Variable | | |
| Input/output | | Input for copy mode | | |
| Display method | | 2-screen (Main screen: 4-digit, 7-segment, 2-color, Red/Green; Sub screen: 6-digit, 11-segment, White) Display values updated 5 times per second | | |
| Status LED's | | Output 1, Output 2: (Orange) | | |
| Power supply voltage | | 24 VDC $\pm 10\%$ | | |
| Current consumption | | 50 mA or less | | |
| Connection | | Power supply output 5P connector, sensor connection 4P connector (e-con) | | |
| Environmental resistance | Enclosure | IP40 (Only front face of the panel is IP65 when panel mount adapter and waterproof seal of optional parts are used.) | | |
| | Operating temperature range | 0 to 50°C (with no freezing and condensation) | | |
| | Operating humidity range | Operating, Storage: 35 to 85% R.H. (with no condensation) | | |
| | Withstand voltage | 1000 VAC for 1 minute between terminals and housing | | |
| | Insulation resistance | 50 MΩ or more (500 VDC measured via megohmmeter) between terminals and housing | | |
| Standards and regulations | | CE marking, RoHS | | |
| Weight | Without power supply/output connection lead wire | 50 g | | |
| | With power supply/output connection lead wire | 100 g | | |

Note 1) Cleared when the power supply is turned off. Hold function can be selected. (Interval of 2 or 5 minutes can be selected.) If the 5 minutes interval is selected, the life of the memory element (electronic parts) is limited to 1 million cycles. (If energized for 24 hours, life is calculated as 5 minutes x 1 million = 5 million minutes = about 9.5 years.) Therefore, if using the hold function, calculate the memory life for your operating conditions, and use within this life.

Note 2) The response time when the set value is 63% in relation to the step input.

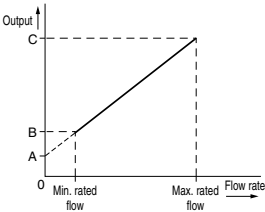
Note 3) The response time until the set value reaches 63% in relation to the step input.

Analog Output

Flow/Analog output

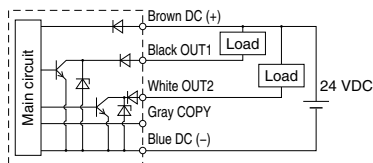
| | A | B | C |
|----------------|------|--------|-------|
| Voltage output | 1 V | 1.1 V | 5 V |
| Current output | 4 mA | 4.4 mA | 20 mA |

| Connected sensor | Rated flow [L/min] | |
|------------------|--------------------|---------|
| | Minimum | Maximum |
| LFE1 | 0.5 | 20 |
| LFE2 | 2.5 | 100 |
| LFE3 | 5 | 200 |

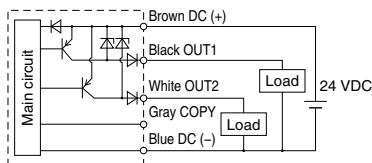


Internal Circuits and Wiring Examples

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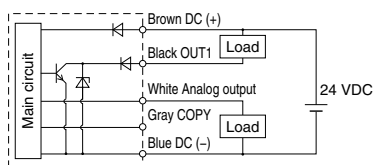


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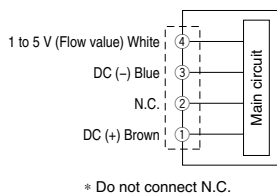


NPN + Analog output type LFE0C

NPN + Analog output type LFE0D



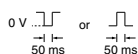
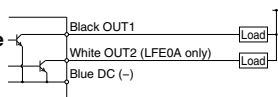
Sensor input circuit



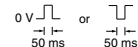
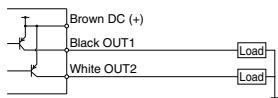
Accumulated pulse output wiring examples

NPN 2 outputs type LFE0A

NPN + Analog output type LFE0C/LFE0D

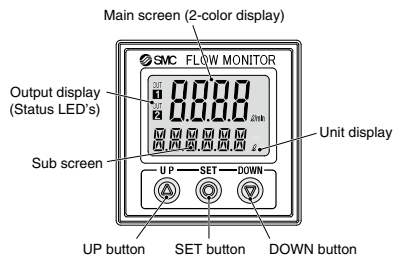
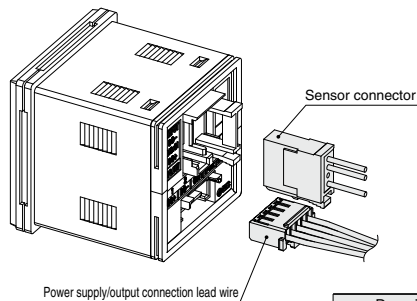


PNP 2 outputs type LFE0B



* When accumulated pulse output is selected, the indicator light is turned off.

Parts Description (Remote Type Monitor Unit)



| Description | Function |
|-------------------------------|--|
| Main screen (2-color display) | Displays the flow value, setting mode and error codes. |
| Sub screen | Displays the accumulated flow, set value, peak/bottom value, fluid temperature and line names. In the setting mode, the set status is displayed. (For details, refer to page 585.) |
| Output display (Status LED's) | Displays the output condition of OUT1 and OUT2. When ON: Orange light turns on. |
| Unit display | Indicates the unit currently selected. |
| UP button | Selects the mode and the display shown on the sub screen, or increases the ON/OFF set value. |
| SET button | Press this button to change the mode and to set a value. |
| DOWN button | Selects the mode and the display shown on the sub screen, or decreases the ON/OFF set value. |

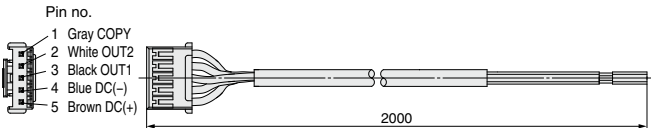
Sensor connector



| Pin no. | Terminal | Connector no. | Lead wire color * |
|---------|----------|---------------|---|
| ① | DC (+) | 1 | Brown |
| ② | N.C./IN | 2 | Not used |
| ③ | DC (-) | 3 | Blue |
| ④ | INPUT | 4 | White (Temperature sensor 1 to 5 V input) |

* When using the lead wire with M12 connector included with the LFE□J series.
Do not connect black.

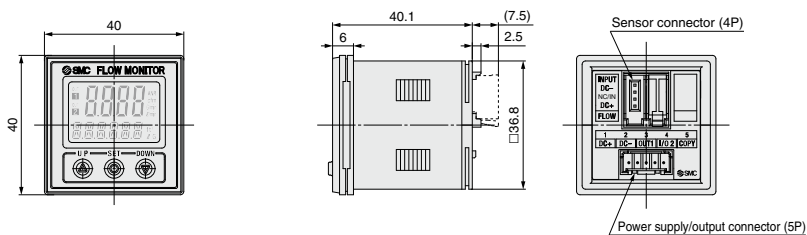
Power supply/output connection lead wire



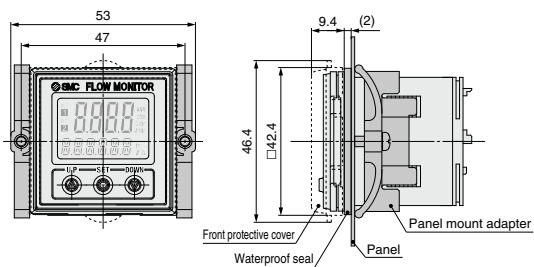
Cable Specifications

| | | |
|-----------|----------------------------|---------------------------------|
| Conductor | Nominal cross section area | AWG26 |
| | External diameter | Approx. 0.5 mm |
| Insulator | Material | Cross-linked vinyl |
| | External diameter | Approx. 1.0 mm |
| | Colors | Brown, Blue, Black, White, Gray |
| Sheath | Material | Oil and heat resistant vinyl |
| | Finished external diameter | ø3.5 |

Dimensions



Front protective cover + Panel mount adapter

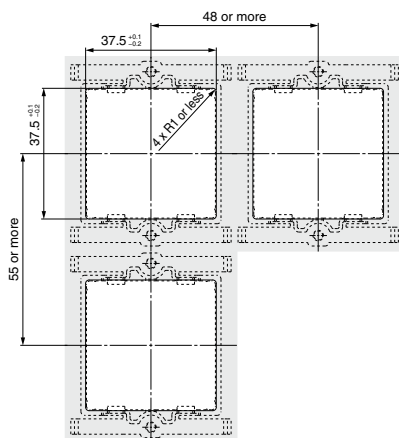


Panel fitting dimensions

Applicable panel thickness:

0.5 to 8 mm (Without waterproof seal)

0.5 to 6 mm (With waterproof seal)



Series LFE

Function Details

■ Output operation

The output operation can be selected from the following:
Output (hysteresis mode and window comparator mode) corresponding to instantaneous flow rate, output corresponding to accumulated flow, or accumulated pulse output

Note) At the time of shipment from the factory, it is set to hysteresis mode and normal output.

■ Display color

The display color can be selected for each output condition. The selection of the display color provides visual identification of abnormal values. (The display color depends on OUT1 setting.)

| |
|---------------------|
| ON: Green, OFF: Red |
| ON: Red, OFF: Green |
| Always: Red |
| Always: Green |

■ Setting of response time

The response time can be selected depending on the application. (1 second for default setting)
The flickering of the display can be reduced by setting the response time slower. If you need faster detection of the problem such as leakage of tip cooling water for welding gun, switch output or analog output can be faster by setting the response time faster. In this case, widen the hysteresis to prevent chattering of the switch output.

| Response time | Stability |
|---------------|------------|
| 0.25 seconds | ±3.7% F.S. |
| 0.5 seconds | ±2.5% F.S. |
| 1 second | ±1.7% F.S. |
| 2 seconds | ±1.2% F.S. |
| 5 seconds | ±0.8% F.S. |

■ Forced output function

Output is turned ON/OFF compulsorily when starting the system or during maintenance. This enables confirmation of the wiring and prevents system errors due to unexpected output.

For the analog output type, the output will be 5 V or 20 mA for ON and 1 V or 4 mA for OFF.

* Also, the increase or decrease of the flow will not change the on/off status of the output while the forced output function is activated.

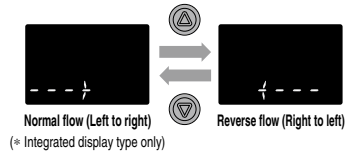
■ Accumulated value hold function

Accumulated value is not cleared even when the power supply is turned off. The accumulated value is memorized every 2 or 5 minutes during measurement, and continues from the last memorized value when the power supply is turned on again.

The life time of the memory element is 1 million access cycles. Take this into consideration before using this function.

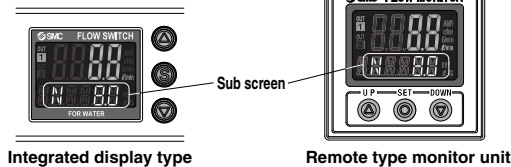
■ Switching of flow direction

Flow direction can be changed after installation.



■ Selection of display on sub screen

The display on the sub screen in measuring mode can be set.



| Set value display | Accumulated value display | Peak value display | Bottom value display |
|--|--|--------------------------|----------------------------|
| Displays the set value. (The set value of OUT2 cannot be displayed.) | Displays the accumulated value. (The accumulated value of OUT2 cannot be displayed.) | Displays the peak value. | Displays the bottom value. |
| | | | |
| Flow direction display | Line name display | Off | |
| Displays the flow direction. (* Integrated display type only) | Displays the line name. (Up to 6 alphanumeric characters can be input.) | Displays nothing. | |
| | | | |

■ Selection of power saving mode

The display can be turned off to reduce the power consumption (Approx.10%). In power saving mode, only decimal points blink. If any button is pressed during power saving mode, the display is recovered for 30 seconds to check the flow etc.

■ Setting of security code

Users can select whether a security code must be entered to release key lock. At the time of shipment from the factory, it is set such that the security code is not required.

■ Peak/Bottom value display

The maximum (minimum) flow value is detected and updated from when the power supply is turned on. In peak (bottom) value display mode, this maximum (minimum) flow value is displayed.

■ Keylock function

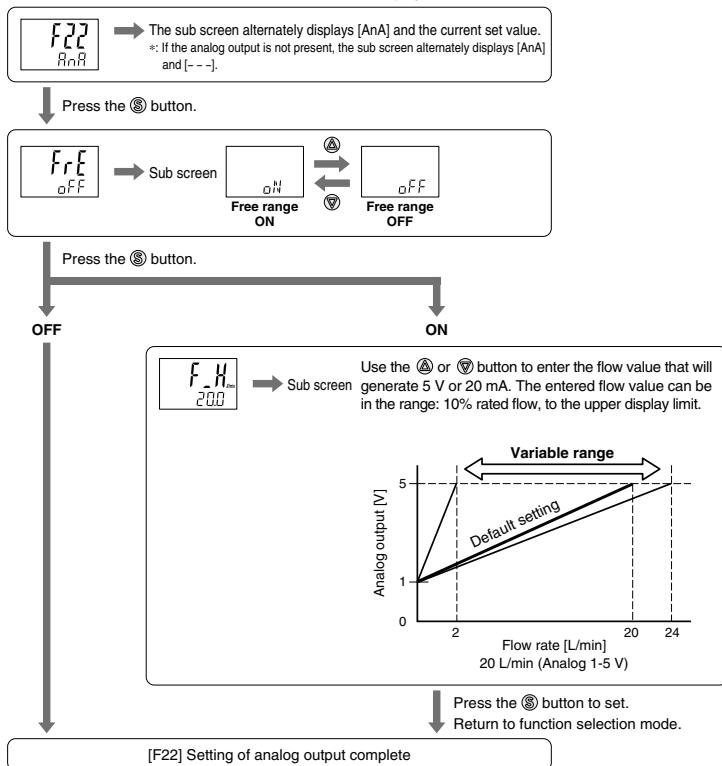
Prevents operation errors such as accidentally changing set values.

■ [F22] Setting of analog output

This function can be used only when the optional analog output is present. The flow value that generates the output voltage (= 5 V) or output current (= 20 mA) at the span side of analog output can be varied.

<Operation>

Press the or button in function selection mode to display [F22] on the main screen.



■ Error display function

When a failure or abnormality occurs, the location and contents are displayed.

| Display | Description | Contents | Action |
|---|---|---|---|
| Er1 | OUT1 over current error | Load current of 80 mA or more is applied to the switch output (OUT1). | Eliminate the cause of the over current by turning off the power supply and then turn it on again. |
| Er2 | OUT2 over current error | Load current of 80 mA or more is applied to the switch output (OUT2). | |
| HHH | Excessive instantaneous flow rate error | Flow has exceeded the display flow range. | Decrease the flow. |
| LLL | Reverse flow error | Flow is flowing in the reverse direction of the setting. | Change the setting for the flow direction. |
| 9999999999 (alternately displays [999] and [999999]) | Excessive accumulated flow error | Flow has exceeded the accumulated flow range. | Clear the accumulated flow. (This error does not matter when the accumulated flow is not used.) |
| Er0 | System error | Displayed if an internal error has occurred. | Turn off the power supply and then turn it on again. If the failure cannot be solved, please contact SMC for investigation. |
| Er4 | | | |
| Er6 | | | |
| Er8 | | | |
| Er10 | Sensor error | Power supply voltage exceeds 24 V \pm 10%. | Check the power supply voltage, and turn off the power supply and then turn it on again. |



Specific Product Precautions 1

Be sure to read this before handling. Refer to page 1154 for Safety Instructions, "Handling Precautions for SMC Products" (M-E03-3) and Operation Manual for Flow Switch Precautions. Please download it via our website, <http://www.smcworld.com>

Installation

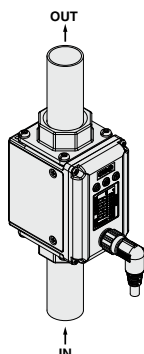
Warning

1. Since the type of fluid varies depending on the product, be sure to verify the specifications.

The switches do not have an explosion proof rating. To prevent a possible fire hazard, do not use with inflammable gases or fluids.

2. Install the system, so that the fluid always fills the detection passage.

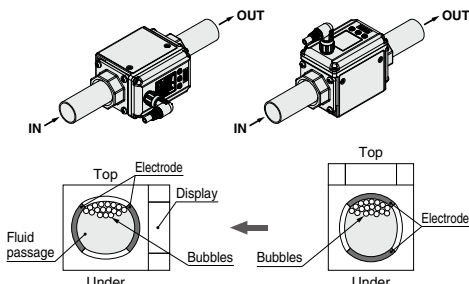
If the product is used when the detection passage is not filled, correct detection signal is not output from the electrodes, making correct measurement impossible. Especially for vertical mounting, introduce the fluid from the bottom to the top because bubbles may be generated when applying fluid from the top to the bottom, leading to operation failure.



When the product is mounted vertically, place the display vertical to the floor to prevent bubbles from occurring.

Mounting orientation: ○

Mounting orientation: ×



Not susceptible to bubbles

Susceptible to bubbles

Mounting

Warning

1. Piping port is grounded to DC(-)/blue line.

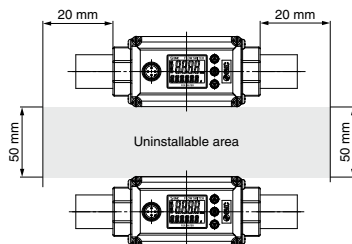
Do not use the power supply with positive ground.

2. Avoid piping in which the piping size of the IN side of the switch changes suddenly.

If the piping size is reduced sharply or there is a restrictor such as a valve on the IN side, fluid velocity distribution in the piping will be disturbed, leading to improper measurement. Therefore, the above-mentioned piping should be connected on the OUT side.

If the OUT side is opened, or flow rate is excessive, cavitations may be generated, which may result in improper measurement. As a measure against this, it is possible to reduce the cavitations by increasing the fluid pressure. Take action such as mounting an orifice on the OUT side of the switch, and confirm that there is no malfunction before handling. If the orifice of the OUT side is fully closed to operate the pump, the switch may malfunction due to the effect of pulsation (pressure fluctuation). Ensure that there is no malfunction before usage.

3. When multiple sensors are used in parallel, install them outside of the area as shown below. (Uninstallable area) If the product is mounted in the area where installation is prohibited, the accuracy will decrease.



4. Use caution that the electrical entry for lead wire with M12 connector does not rotate and is limited to only one direction.



Specific Product Precautions 2

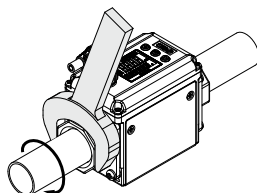
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Mounting

⚠ Caution

1. When connecting the piping to the switch, do not rotate the switch. Apply a wrench to the metal part of the piping port to turn the fitting.

Using a wrench on other parts may damage the product. Specifically, make sure that the wrench does not damage the M12 connector. This will damage the connector.



Width across flats of attachment

| | |
|-----|-------|
| 3/8 | 24 mm |
| 1/2 | 28 mm |
| 3/4 | 35 mm |
| 1 | 41 mm |

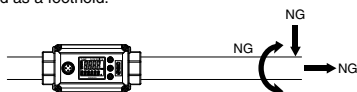
Refer to the tightening torque in the right table for connecting steel piping. Torque lower than the value in the table leads to fluid leakage.

For mounting the fittings on the market, refer to the torque specified for each.

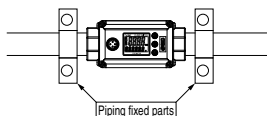
| Nominal thread size | Proper tightening torque (N·m) |
|---------------------|--------------------------------|
| Rc (NPT) 3/8 | 22 to 24 |
| Rc (NPT) 1/2 | 28 to 30 |
| Rc (NPT) 3/4 | 28 to 30 |
| Rc (NPT) 1 | 36 to 38 |

2. The product body is made of resin. Do not impose stress, vibration or impact directly on the product during piping work in order to prevent failure, damage and water leakage.

In particular, never mount a product in a location that will be used as a foothold.



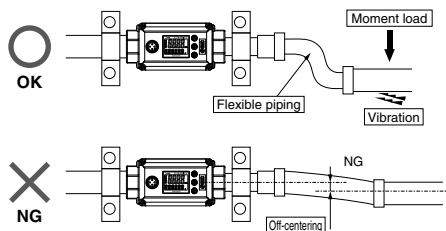
3. Secure the front and rear pipes as close to the product as possible in order to prevent stress, vibration and impact from being imposed directly on the product.



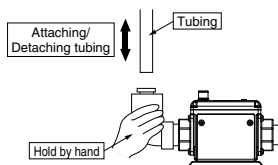
4. If stress, vibration and impact imposed on the product cannot be reduced, secure each pipe at multiple positions.

5. Inflexible piping such as steel piping tends to be affected by spread of excessive moment load or vibration from the piping side. Lay flexible tubing between the steel pipe and the product to prevent such effects.

In particular, if the piping is off center with the product, load will be imposed on the piping for a long period even after the piping work, possibly resulting in failure, damage or water leakage.



6. When using a One-touch fitting, hold the fitting by hand to prevent the load required for connecting or disconnecting the tube from being imposed directly on the product.



7. The straight piping length on the primary side of the product shall be 5 times (5D) or more of the piping size to achieve stable measurement. (Refer to page 576.)
8. The operating pressure range and operating temperature range of the product vary depending on the operating conditions. The fluid pressure and temperature should fall within their respective allowable ranges during operation. (Refer to page 576.)



Specific Product Precautions 3

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Operating Precautions

Warning

1. Product temperature becomes high when hot fluid is used. Use caution, as there is a danger of being burned if a valve is touched directly.
2. Enclosure is for this product with lead wire with M12 connector. Be careful when handling the product without connector.

Operating Environment

Warning

1. Never use in the presence of explosive gases.

The switch does not have an explosion proof construction. If it is used in an environment where explosive gases are used, it may cause an explosive disaster. Therefore, never use it in such an environment.

2. Observe the specified fluid and ambient temperature range.

The operating fluid temperature range is 0 to 85°C, and ambient temperature range is 0 to 50°C. Take measures to prevent moisture from freezing in a piping circuit when using at 5°C or less, since this may cause damage to the product and lead to malfunction. Even when the ambient temperature range is within the specifications, do not use in locations where there are rapid temperature changes.

3. If the temperature of the fluid is lower than the ambient temperature, condensation will be generated which may damage the product or cause malfunction.

Maintenance

Warning

1. Take precautions when using the switch for an interlock circuit.

When a pressure switch is used for the interlock circuit, devise a multiple interlock system to prevent trouble or malfunction, and verify the operation of the switch and interlock function on a regular basis.

Fluid

Warning

1. Check regulators and flow adjustment valves before introducing the fluid.

If pressure or flow rate beyond the specified range are applied to the switch, the sensor unit may be damaged.

Fluid

Caution

1. Operate fluids with electric conductivity of 5 $\mu\text{S}/\text{cm}$ or more.

Note that this product cannot be used for fluids with low conductivity. This product cannot be used for fluids that do not conduct electricity such as deionized water (pure water) and oil.

Applicable Fluids List

| Substance description | Judgement | Note |
|------------------------------|-----------|--|
| Water | ○ | Electric conductivity of tap water: 100 to 200 $\mu\text{S}/\text{cm}$ |
| Deionized water (pure water) | × | Electric conductivity is too low. |
| Water-soluble coolant | ○ | When the ratio of water is 50% or more. |
| Oil | × | Electric conductivity is too low. |
| Oil-based coolant | × | Electric conductivity is too low. |
| Sea water | × | Corrosive to the product. |
| GALDEN® | × | Electric conductivity is too low. |
| Fluorinert™ | × | Electric conductivity is too low. |

* Use the applicable fluids list as a guide. ○: Acceptable ×: Not acceptable

The electric conductivity is a ratio which shows how easily the electricity flows.

2. If insulating material gets stuck inside of the piping, it may cause an error.

Remove the foreign material stuck inside of the piping with a brush for washing test tubes so that internal rubber piping will not be damaged.

3. If conductive material such as metal gets stuck to the whole surface in the piping, the switch may malfunction.

Remove the foreign material as mentioned above.

4. If the fluid with stray current running inside is measured, the switch may malfunction.

Beware that earth leakage from the equipment around the switch such as pump and stray current caused by ground fault should not flow into the fluid to be measured.



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Others

⚠ Warning

1. After the power is turned on, the switch's output remains off while a message is displayed. (Approx. 3 sec.) Therefore, start the measurement after a value is displayed.
2. Perform settings after stopping control systems.
3. Keep the switch away from the strong magnet and magnetic field to prevent the switch from malfunctioning.

Set Flow Range and Rated Flow Range

⚠ Caution

Set the flow rate within the rated flow range.

The set flow range is the range of flow rate that is possible in setting.

The rated flow range is the range of flow rate that satisfies the sensor product specifications (such as accuracy, repeatability).

It is possible to set a value outside of the rated flow range if it is within the set flow range, however, the specification is not be guaranteed.

| Sensor | Flow range | | | | | | | |
|--------|------------|-----------|---------|----------|----------|----------|-----------|-----------|
| | 0.5 L/min | 2 L/min | 5 L/min | 10 L/min | 20 L/min | 50 L/min | 100 L/min | 200 L/min |
| LFE1 | 0.5 L/min | | | | 20 L/min | | | |
| | 0.4 L/min | | | | 24 L/min | | | |
| | 0.4 L/min | | | | 24 L/min | | | |
| LFE2 | | 2.5 L/min | | | | | 100 L/min | |
| | | 2 L/min | | | | | 120 L/min | |
| | | 2 L/min | | | | | 120 L/min | |
| LFE3 | | | 5 L/min | | | | | 200 L/min |
| | | | 4 L/min | | | | | 240 L/min |
| | | | 4 L/min | | | | | 240 L/min |

■ Rated flow range
■ Display flow range
■ Set flow range