

The BA324ND is a Type nL certified field mounting indicator housed in a robust IP66 GRP enclosure incorporating a separate terminal compartment and dedicated access to the instrument controls. Retaining all the features of earlier models, this third generation indicator provides improved display visibility, plus simplified installation and calibration.

BA324ND displays the current flowing in a 4/20mA loop in accurate engineering units. The instrument is loop powered but only introduces a 1V drop allowing it to be installed in series with almost any 4/20mA loop.

Main application of the BA324ND is to display a measured variable or control signal in a Zone 2 hazardous process area. The zero and span of the display are independently adjustable so that the indicator may be calibrated to display any variable represented by a 4/20mA current, such as temperature, pressure, or level. When used with a differential flow transmitter a square root function enables the BA324ND to display flow in linear engineering units.

The enclosure, which is moulded in glass reinforced polyester (GRP), has stainless steel fittings, silicone gaskets and an armoured glass window. Its robust construction provides IP66 protection which has been independently assessed by ITS report available. A separate terminal compartment allows the instrument to be installed and terminated without exposing the display electronics. To further simplify field wiring and subsequent inspection, the terminal cable entries and the clamping screws are both forward facing. Additional terminals are provided which may be used to link the return 4/20mA conductor and the cable screen.

Calibration and programming of the instrument is performed via four push-buttons protected from damage and tampering behind a sealed cover. For applications requiring frequent adjustment, the indicator can be supplied with a robust external membrane key-pad. All the calibration functions are contained in easy to understand menus which may be protected by a user definable security code.

An internal calibrator simulates 4 and 20mA input currents so that the instrument may be calibrated without the need for test equipment

or disconnection from the 4/20mA loop. Although not providing independent verification, this is an effective way to quickly check performance or to recalibrate.

A Declaration of Conformity confirms that the BA324ND complies with the requirements for Group II Category 3G equipment defined in the ATEX Directive 94/9/EC. This allows the indicator to be installed in Zone 2 hazardous areas without Zener barriers or galvanic isolators. For Zone 2 applications the BA324ND offers a less expensive alternative to intrinsic safety or flameproof instrumentation.

Two alternative backlight options are available. The loop powered backlight produces green background illumination enabling the display to be read at night and in poor lighting conditions. It does not require an additional power supply or field wiring, but the indicator voltage drop is increased. The separately powered backlight provides a bright orange output to enhance daylight viewing, but it requires an additional power supply and field wiring.

Optional alarms provide two galvanically isolated solid state outputs which may be independently programmed for high or low operation with normally open or closed outputs.

Units of measurement and the instrument application or tag number can be economically marked onto the display escutcheon prior to despatch or after installation on-site. Alternatively, for customers who prefer an etched stainless steel label, the indicator can be supplied with a custom etched stainless steel legend plate mounted on the front of the instrument.

Reliability is ensured by an ISO9001 approved quality control system supported by a three year guarantee. The BA324ND is protected from reverse connection and overrange input currents and incorporates extensive radio frequency filtering to comply with the European EMC Directive. The indicator assembly can be removed from the enclosure without disconnecting the field wiring or disturbing the 4/20mA loop, continuity being maintained by a diode within the terminal assembly.

BA324ND

2-wire 4/20mA 41/2 digit indicator

Type nL certified for use in Zone 2 hazardous areas

- Loop powered only 1V drop
- ◆ Type nL ATEX certification
- ±19999 display20mm high
- IP66 GRP enclosure with separate terminal compartment
- Optional:

Loop powered backlight
Separately powered backlight
Alarms
Lineariser
Tare function
External push-buttons

3 year guarantee



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SPECIFICATION

Input

Current 4 to 20mA

Voltage

Less than 1V at 20°C

Less than 1.1V at -20°C

±200mA will not cause damage Overrange

Display

Liquid crystal 20mm high Type

41/2 digit (-19999 to 19999)

Adjustable between ±19999 with 4mA input. Zero Adjustable between ±19999 for a 4 to 20mA Span

input.

Decimal point 1 of 4 positions or absent Polarity Automatic minus sign

Display may increase or decrease with Direction

increasing current. Factory set option.

2 per second Reading rate

Over & 4 least significant digits are blanked

underrange

Push-buttons ▼ Down button (In operating mode)

Shows display with 4mA input Shows display with 20mA input ▲ Up button

'P' button

Displays input current in mA, or as a percentage of span. Has modified function when optional

alarms or Tare function are fitted.

Accuracy

At 20°C Linear: ±0.02% of span ±1 digit

Root extracting: ±16µA at input ±1 digit

Temp. effect

Zero Less than 25ppm/°C Span Less than 50ppm/°C

Less than 0.05% of span error for 1mA pk to pk Series mode

50Hz or 60Hz signal.

Type nL certification

ATEX Declaration of Conformity

Code Group II, Category 3G, Ex nL IIC T5

-20 to +60°C Tamb Zone 2 Location

Cert. No. BEKA00ATEX0010

Installation The BA324ND may be connected in series with

any 4/20mA circuit providing maximum current in

normal operation is less than 30mA.

Environmental

Operating temp -20 to +60°C Storage temp -40 to +85°C To 95% at 40°C Humidity

Enclosure IP66 ITS test report C97IV0383A available In accordance with EU Directive 2004/108/EC, **FMC**

full report available.

Less than 1% of span error for 10V/m field **Immunity**

strength between 27MHz and 1GHz.

Undetectable above background noise Class B **Emissions**

equipment

Mechanical

Screw clamps for 0.5 to 1.5mm cables Terminals

Weight 1.6kg

Accessories

Loop powered Green; powered from 4/20mA current. backlight

Voltage drop of indicator plus backlight

less than 5V.

Separately powered backlight

Alarms

Orange; powered from 18 to 30V dc supply.

Two independent alarms each of which may be programmed for high or low operation with NC or

NO output.

Isolated single pole solid state switch Outputs less than $5\Omega + 0.6V$ On

Off greater than $180k\Omega$

Lineariser Provides 16 fully adjustable straight lines which may be positioned to compensate for almost any

non-linear variable.

Primarily intended for weighing applications. Tare function

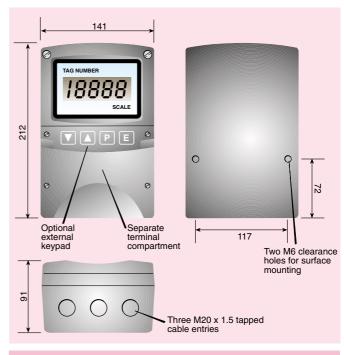
Sets indicator display to zero when 'P' push-

button is operated.

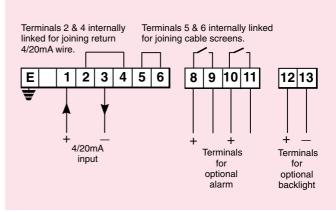
External keypad Membrane keypad enables indicator to be

controlled without removing cover.

DIMENSIONS (mm)



TERMINAL CONNECTIONS



Units of measurement marked onto display Scale legend

escutcheon.

Tag number or applicational information marked Tag legend

onto display escutcheon.

Stainless legend Stainless steel plate secured to terminal cover, plate

etched with tagging or applicational information. *

Pipe mounting kit 2 kits are available BA392D and BA393*

*See accessory datasheet for details

HOW TO ORDER

Please specify Model number BA324ND

Display at 4mA XXXX Include position of decimal Display at 20mA XXXX point & sign if negative #

Accessories Display backlight

Please specify if required Loop powered backlight or Separately powered backlight

Alarms Alarms Tare function Tare Lineariser Lineariser External keypad External keypad

Escutcheon marking

Scale Scale legend Tag legend Tag Stainless legend Leaend plate

Pipe mounting kit BA392D or BA393

Will be set to display 0.00 at 4mA and 100.00 with linear display and resolution of 1 digit if calibration information is not supplied