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The **BA304NE loop powered 4/20mA indicator** is a fourth generation field mounting instrument that is mechanically compatible and electrically similar to the earlier BA304ND. It has a much larger full 4 digit display and guaranteed performance between -40 and 70°C. Like its predecessor, the BA304NE is housed in a robust IP66 enclosure with a separate terminal compartment.

**Main application** of the BA304NE is to display a measured variable in meaningful engineering units within a Zone 2 or 22 hazardous area. The zero and span of the display are independently adjustable allowing the indicator to be calibrated to display any linear variable represented by the 4/20mA signal. A root extractor and an adjustable sixteen segment lineariser enable the indicator to display flow and variables such as tank level in linear engineering units. For weighing applications a tare function is included.

The **bold 34mm high 4 digit display** provides maximum contrast and has a very wide viewing angle, allowing the BA304NE indicator to be easily read in most lighting conditions over a wide temperature range. An optional factory fitted backlight is available for installations in poorly illuminated areas. The four digits, with three decimal points and a negative sign, may be configured to display any variable between -9999 and 9999.

The **robust GRP enclosure** has stainless steel fittings, silicone gaskets and an armoured glass window providing IP66 protection between -40 and 70°C. Ingress and impact protection have been independently assessed by Intertek. 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 clamping screws are forward facing. Additional terminals are provided which may be used for linking the return 4/20mA conductor and the cable screens.

**ATEX and IECEx non sparking Ex nA certification** allows the BA304NE to be installed in a Zone 2 gas hazardous areas without the need for Zener barriers, galvanic isolators or a flameproof enclosure. For European and international Zone 2 applications the BA304NE offers a less expensive alternative to intrinsic safety and flameproof instrumentation.

**Ex tc dust certification** also allows the BA304NE to be installed in Zone 22 dust hazardous areas, again without the need for Zener barriers, galvanic isolators or a flameproof enclosure.

A **backlight** which may be loop or separately powered is available as a factory fitted option. It provides green background illumination allowing the display to be read at night or in poorly illuminated areas. When powered from the 4/20mA loop no additional field wiring is required but the indicator's voltage drop is increased. Powering from a separate supply produces a brighter backlight but requires additional field wiring.

**Optional dual alarm outputs** which can switch hazardous or safe area loads, such as sounders, beacons or solenoid valves, are available as a factory fitted option. The two galvanically isolated solid state outputs may be independently conditioned as high or low alarms with normally open or closed outputs. Annunciators on the display show the status of both alarm outputs.

**Reliability is ensured** by component conformal coating, protection from incorrect connection and radio frequency interference. The indicator has been subjected to extensive vibration testing and is supported by a three year guarantee.

**Other field mounting models** in this range include the BA324NE which has a similar specification but has a five digit 29mm high display plus a 31 segment bargraph.

# BA304NE

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

Type nA & tc certified for  
use in Zones 2 & 22  
hazardous areas

- ◆ Loop powered only  
1.2V drop.
- ◆ 4 digit 34mm high  
display.
- ◆ Ex nA gas and Ex tc  
dust ATEX & IECEx  
certification.
- ◆ IP66 GRP enclosure  
with separate terminal  
compartment.
- ◆ Root extractor and  
16 segment lineariser.
- ◆ Optional backlight,  
alarms & external  
keypad.
- ◆ 3 year guarantee

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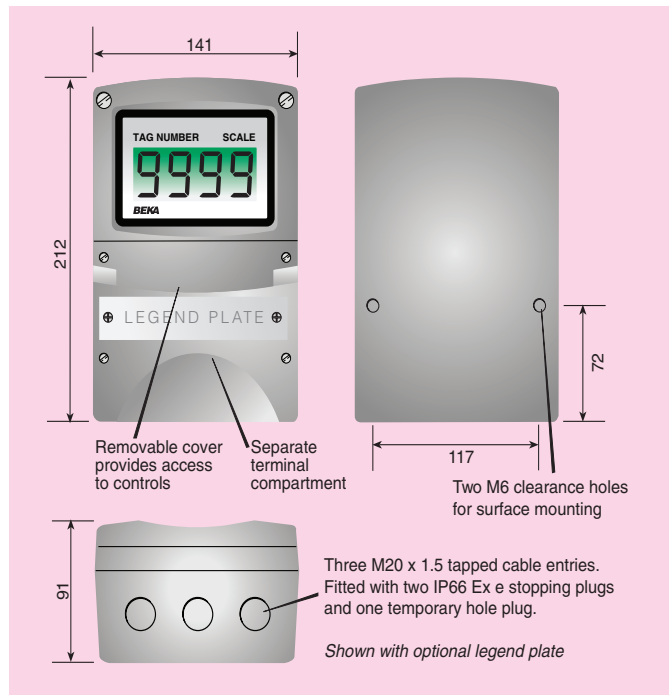
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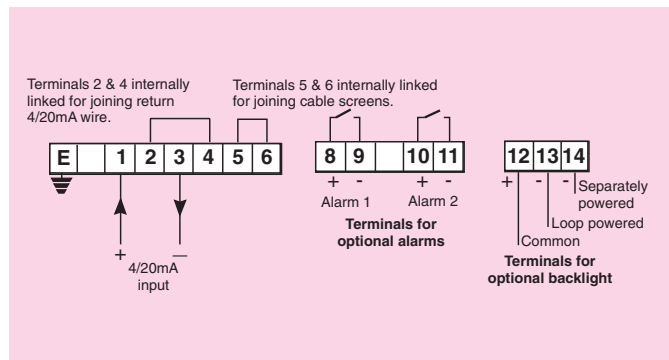
## SPECIFICATION

<b>Input</b>	
Current	4 to 20mA
Voltage	Less than 1.2V at 20°C Less than 1.3V at 040°C Less than 5V with optional loop powered backlight.
Overrange	±200mA or ±30V will not damage the indicator.
<b>Display</b>	
Type	Liquid crystal, non-multiplexed 4 digits 34mm high.
Span	Adjustable between 0 & ±9999 for a 4/20mA input.
Zero	Adjustable between 0 & ±9999 with 4mA input.
Decimal point	1 of 3 positions or absent
Polarity	Automatic minus sign
Zero blanking	Blanked apart from 0 in front of decimal point.
Direction	Display may increase or decrease with increasing 4/20mA input.
Root extractor	Selectable
Lineariser	16 adjustable segments
Reading rate	2 per second
Overrange	9999 or -9999 with all decimal points flashing.
<b>Push buttons</b>	
▼	(Function in display mode) Shows display with 4mA input
▲	Shows display with 20mA input
'P'	Displays input in mA or a % of span, has a modified function when alarms are fitted.
'E'	Used for tare function
<b>Accuracy at 20°C</b>	
Linear	±0.02% of span ±1digit
Root extracting	±16µA at input ±1 digit.
Temperature effect on:	
Zero	Less than 25ppm of span/°C
Span	Less than 50ppm of span/°C
Series mode rejection	Less than 0.05% of span ratio for 1mA pk to pk 50 or 60Hz interference.
<b>Certification</b>	
<b>Europe ATEX</b>	
Code	Group II Category 3G Ex nA ic IIC T5 Gc Group II Category 3D Ex tc IIIC 80°C Dc IP66 Ta = -40 to 70°C
Input parameters	
li	100mA
Cert. No.	ITS11ATEX47255
<b>International IECEx</b>	
Code	Ex nA ic IIC T5 Gc Ex tc IIIC T80°C Dc IP66 Tamb = -40 to 70°C
Cert. No	IECEx ITS11.0016
<b>Environmental</b>	
Operating temp	-40 to 70°C
Storage temp	-40 to 85°C
Humidity	to 95% at 40°C noncondensing
Vibration	Report available
Enclosure	IP66
EMC	Complies with EMC Directive 2014/30/EU
<b>Mechanical</b>	
Terminals	Screw clamp for 0.5 to 1.5mm <sup>2</sup> cable
Weight	1.7kg
<b>Accessories</b>	
Backlight	Green, may be loop or separately powered.
Loop powered	Input voltage increased to 5V
Separately powered	11V min at 35mA
Alarms	Two alarm outputs each of which may be independently configured as a high or low alarm contact with a NO or NC output.
Output	Isolated solid state switch
Ron	5Ω + 0.7V max
Roff	1MΩ min
External keypad	Membrane keypad enables indicator to be controlled without removing cover.
Scale legend	Units of measurement marked onto display escutcheon.#
Tag legend	Tag number or application marked onto display escutcheon.#

## DIMENSIONS (mm)



## TERMINAL CONNECTIONS



Stainless steel legend plate.

Stainless steel plate etched with tag number or application attached to front of the instrument. #

Pipe mounting kit

BA392D or BA393 #

# See accessory datasheet for details

## HOW TO ORDER

Model number	Please specify BA304NE
Display mode	Linear, root or lineariser*
Display at:	XXXX } Include position of decimal point & sign if negative, plus intermediate points if linearisation is required. *
4.000mA	
20.000mA	
<b>Accessories</b>	<b>Please specify if required</b>
External keypad	External keypad
Display backlight	Backlight
Dual alarms	Alarms
Escutcheon marking	
Scale	Legend required
Tag	Legend required
Stainless legend plate	Legend required
Pipe mounting kit	BA393D or BA393

\* Will be set to display 0.0 at 4mA and 100.0 at 20mA with a linear display if calibration information is not supplied. Can easily be recalibrated on-site.