

The BA324NE loop powered 4/20mA indicator is a fourth generation field mounting instrument that is mechanically compatible and electrically similar to the earlier BA324ND. It has a much larger full 5 digit display and guaranteed performance between -40 and 70°C. Like it's predecessor, the BA324NE is housed in a robust IP66 enclosure with a separate terminal compartment.

Main application of the BA324NE 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 29mm high 5 digit display and 31 segment bargraph provide maximum contrast and has a very wide viewing angle, allowing the BA324NE 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 -99999 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 BA324NE 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 BA324NE offers a less expensive alternative to intrinsic safety and flameproof instrumentation.

Ex tc dust certification also allows the BA324NE 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 BA304NE which has a similar specification but has a four digit 34mm high display.

BA324NE

2-wire 4/20mA 5 digit indicator

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

- Loop powered only 1.2V drop.
- 5 digit 29mm high display & 31 segment bargraph.
- Ex nA gas and Ex to 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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SPECIFICATION

Input

Current 4 to 20mA

Less than 1.2V at 20°C Voltage Less than 1.3V at -40°C

Less than 5V with optional loop powered backlight. ±200mA or ±30V will not damage

the indicator.

Display

Overrange

Liquid crystal, non-multiplexed Type

5 digits 29mm high and 31 segment bargraph. Span Adjustable between 0 & ±99999 for a

4/20mA input.
Adjustable between 0 & ±99999 with Zero 4mA input.

1 of 3 positions or absent Decimal point Automatic minus sign Polarity

Zero blanking Blanked apart from 0 in front of decimal point.

Display may increase or decrease with increasing 4/20mA input. Direction

Root extractor Selectable

16 adjustable segments Lineariser Reading rate 2 per second 31 segments 80mm long Bargaph

Overange 99999 or -99999 with all decimal points

flashing.

Push buttons

▲ 'P'

(Function in display mode) Shows display with 4mA input Shows display with 20mA input

Displays input in mA or a % of span, has a modified function when alarms are fitted.

'F' Used for tare function

Accuracy at 20°C

±0.02% of span ±1digit Linear Root extracting ±16µA at input ±1 digit. Temperature effect on:

Less than 25ppm of span/°C Zero Less than 50ppm of span/°C Less than 0.05% of span error Span Series mode rejection

for 1mA pk to pk 50 or 60Hz interference.

Certification Europe ATEX

Group II Category 3G Ex nA ic IIC T5 Gc Code

Group II Category 3D Ex tc IIIC 80°C Dc IP66 $Ta = -40 \text{ to } 70^{\circ}C$

Input parameters

100mA

ITS11ATEX47255 Cert. No.

International IECEx

Code

Ex nA IIC T5 Gc Ex tc IIIC T80°C Dc IP66 Tamb = -40 to 70° C IECEx ITS11.0016

Cert. No Environmental

-40 to 70°C Operating temp -40 to 85°C Storage temp

to 95% at 40°C noncondensing Humidity

Vibration Report available Enclosure

EMC Complies with EMC Directive 2014/30/EU

Mechanical

Screw clamp for 0.5 to 1.5mm2 cable Terminals

Weight 1.7kg

Accessories

Scale legend

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.

Isolated solid state switch Output

Ron $5\Omega + 0.7V \text{ max}$

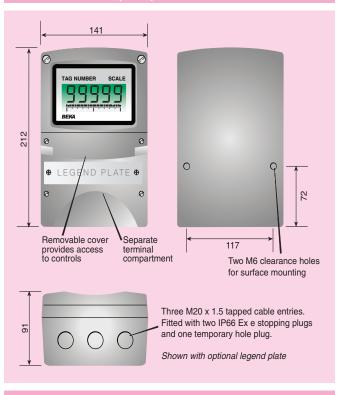
Roff $1M\Omega$ min

External keypad Membrane keypad enables indicator to be

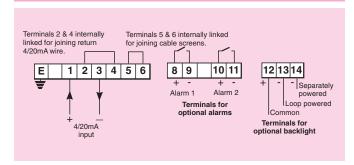
controlled without removing cover. Units of measurement marked onto display

escutcheon.#

DIMENSIONS (mm)



TERMINAL CONNECTIONS



Tag legend Tag number or application marked onto

display escutcheon.#

Stainless steel plate etched with tag number Stainless steel or applicationattached to front of the legend plate

instrument. #

Pipe mounting kit BA392D or BA393 #

See accessory datasheet for details

OW TO ORDER

Please specify Model number BA324NE

Display mode Display at: 4.000mA

20.000mA

Display backlight

Escutcheon marking Scale

Stainless legend plate

Pipe mounting kit

Dual alarms

Tag

Linear, root or lineariser

Include position of decimal point & XXXXX

sign if negative, plus intermediate XXXXX points if linearisation is required.

Please specify if required Accessories External keypad

External keypad Backlight Alarms

Legend required Legend required Legend required BA393D or BA393

^{*} Will be set to display 0.00 at 4mA and 100.00 at 20mA with a linear display if calibration information is not supplied. Can easily be recalibrated on-site.