

The BA504C is a general purpose field mounting indicator which displays the current flowing in a 4/20mA loop in meaningful engineering units. The instrument is loop powered, but only introduces a 1V drop allowing it to be used in series with almost any 4/20mA loop. The instrument has a 25mm high, easy to read liquid crystal display, and is housed in a robust IP66 enclosure. Modular accessories enable only the required features to be incorporated thus reducing cost while retaining interchangeability between instruments.

Main application of the BA504C is to display a measured variable or control signal in a process area. The zero and span of the display are independently adjustable so that the indicator can be calibrated to display any variable represented by a 4/20mA current, such as temperature, pressure, level or actuator position. When used with a differential flow transmitter an optional square root extractor allows the BA504C to display flow in linear engineering units.

Backlighting is available as an option to improve readability when the BA504C is installed in a poorly illuminated area. High efficiency LED's provide an even glow enhancing the display contrast.

An optional internal calibrator simulates a 4 and 20mA input current so that the indicator may be recalibrated without the need for test equipment or disconnection from the 4/20mA loop. Although not providing independent verification, it is an effective way to

quickly check performance or to recalibrate.

Two types of enclosure are available, each has stainless steel fittings and a toughened glass window and is sealed with a neoprene gasket. The sturdy glass reinforced polyester (GRP) enclosure is suitable for most industrial applications including off-shore and water treatment. For installation where solvents may be encountered, the epoxy painted aluminium enclosure provides maximum protection. Both the GRP and aluminium enclosures, which have been tested by ERA, provide IP66 protection as specified in BS5490. To simplify installation, the BA504C is fitted with additional terminals which may be used to link the return 4/20mA conductor and the cable screen. 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.

Reliability is ensured by an ISO9001 approved quality control system supported by a three year guarantee. The indicator is protected from reverse connection and overrange input current, and incorporates extensive radio frequency filtering to comply with the European EMC Directive.

If flammable atmospheres are present either the BA304C or BA304NC should be used. They have the same features as the BA504C, but have been certified for use in hazardous areas.

# **BA504C**

Loop powered 4/20mA 3½ digit indicator

- ±1999 display25.4mm high
- No additional power supply required
- Optional:
  Backlight
  Root extractor
  Calibrator
- IP66 GRP or aluminium enclosure
- 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

Overrange ±200mA will not cause damage

Display

Type 31/2 digit (-1999 to 1999) Liquid crystal 25mm high Adjustable between 000 & 1999 Span

for a 4 to 20mA input.

Zero Adjustable between ±1000 with 4mA input.

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

Display may increase or decrease with Direction

increasing current. 2.5 per second

Reading rate Overrange 3 least significant digits are blanked

Accuracy

At 20°C ±1 digit

Temperature affect on:

Zero Typ ±0.05 digit ±100ppm/°C

Max ±0.1 digit ±200ppm/°C

Typ ±50ppm; max ±100ppm/°C Span Series mode rejection Typ 1 digit error for 1mA pk to pk

50Hz signal.

Environmental

Operating temperature -20 to +60°C Humidity To 95% at 40°C

Enclosure IP66 see ERA test report 5046/228 **EMC** In accordance with EU Directive

89/336/EEC, full report available.

Less than 2% of span error for 10V/m **Immunity** field strength between 27MHz & 1 GHz. **Emissions** 

Undetectable above background noise.

Class B equipment

Mechanical

Terminals Screw clamp for 0.5 to 2.5mm2 cables

Weight GRP enclosure

Aluminium enclosure 1.3kg

Accessories

LED backlight Display backlight

Vin 18 to 30V dc, may be dimmed by reducing

voltage below 18V.

40mA typical lin

Root extractor

Calibrator

±16µA at input ±1 digit for inputs between Accuracy

4.16 and 20mA (10 to 100% of flow)

Clip-off Selectable by internal plug-in link, operates

at 4.04mA input (5% of flow) Not available with calibrator

Simulates 4 and 20mA input, selected by

plug-in link accessible when enclosure

cover is removed.

Not available with root extractor

Engraved scale plate Removable blank stainless steel plate fitted

to each indicator, can be supplied engraved with units of measurement. See accessory

datasheet for details of legend size. Engraved tag plate Removable blank stainless steel plate fitted

to each indicator, can be supplied engraved

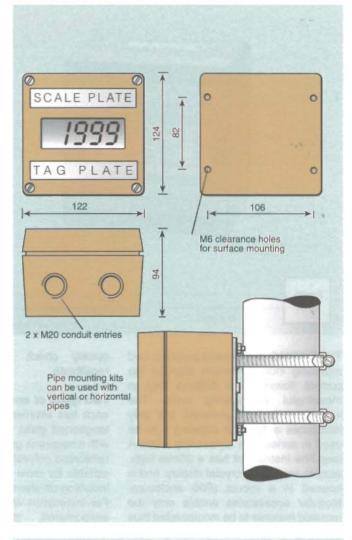
with tagging information. See accessory datasheet for details of legend size.

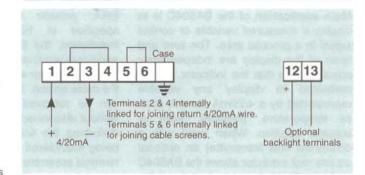
Pipe mounting kit 3 kits are available BA391, BA392 and BA393, see accessory datasheet for

details.

Panel mounting kit BA394 mounts BA504C into a panel aper-

ture, see accessory datasheet for details.





Please specify Model number BA504C GRP or aluminium Enclosure

XXXX Display at 4mA Include position of decimal point and

at 20mA XXXX sign if display is negative\*

Accessories Please specify if required

Display backlight Backlight

Root extractor Root extractor Only one can be fitted Calibrator Calibrator

Scale plate Legend Tag plate Legend

Pipe mounting kit BA391, BA392 or BA393

Panel mounting kit **BA394** 

\*Will be set to display 00.0 at 4mA and 100.0 at 20mA if calibration information is not supplied.