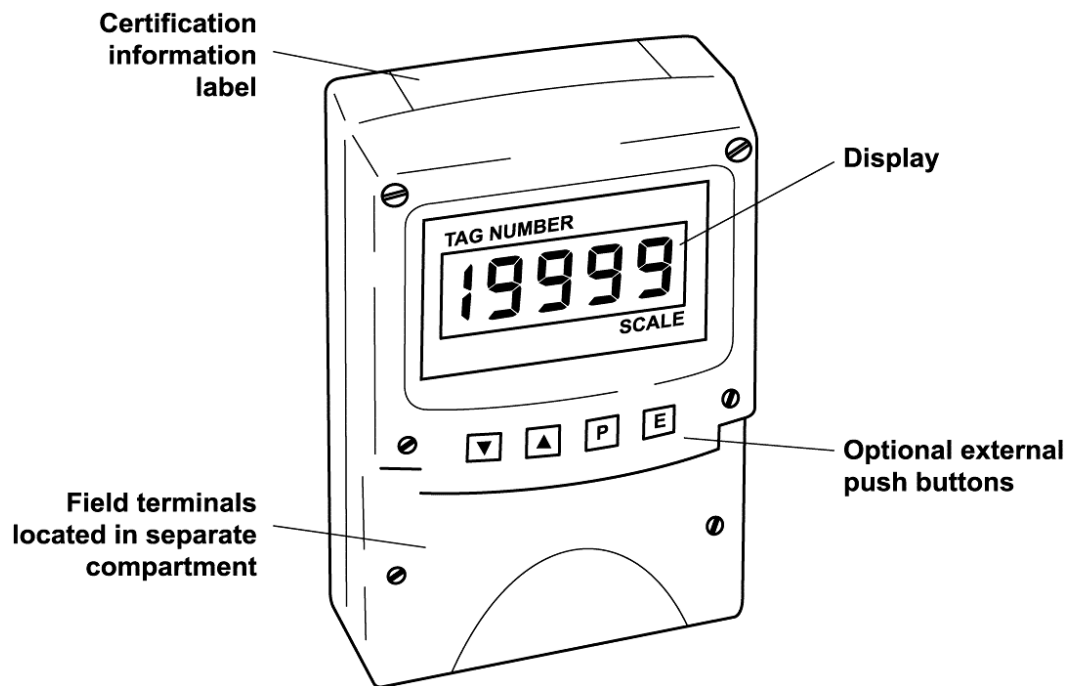


**BA324D**  
**Intrinsically safe**  
**loop-powered**  
**4½ digit field**  
**mounting indicator**

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The BA324D is CE marked to show compliance with the European Explosive Atmospheres Directive 94/9/EC and the European EMC Directive 2004/108/EC

## 1. DESCRIPTION

The BA324D is a 4½ digit intrinsically safe loop powered digital indicator which displays the current flowing in a 4/20mA loop in engineering units. The indicator only introduces a 1.1V drop which allows it to be installed into almost any 4/20mA current loop. No additional power supply or battery are required.

The BA324D is a third generation instrument incorporating a separate terminal enclosure. Complying with the European Explosive Atmospheres Directive ATEX, the instrument has been certified intrinsically safe for use in explosive gas and combustible dust atmospheres. ATEX dust certification is an option - See Appendix 2.

For installation in the USA and Canada, FM and cFM intrinsic safety and nonincendive certification are also available. See Appendix 1.

All versions have IECEx certification.

The main application of the BA324D is to display a measured variable or control signal in a hazardous 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 the 4/20mA current, e.g. temperature, flow, pressure or level.

The BA324D has been certified intrinsically safe by ITS to the European ATEX Directive 94/9/EC. The EC-Type Examination Certificate specifies that under fault conditions the voltage, current and power at input terminals 1 and 3 will not exceed those specified for *simple apparatus* in Clause 5.4 of EN50020:1994.

The indicator is housed in a robust IP66 glass reinforced polyester (GRP) enclosure with an armoured glass window.

## 2. OPERATION

Fig 1 shows a simplified block diagram of a BA324D. The 4/20mA input current flows through resistor R1 and forward biased diode D1. The voltage developed across D1, which is relatively constant, is multiplied by a switch mode power supply and used to power the instrument. The voltage developed across R1, which is proportional to the 4/20mA input current, provides the input signal for the analogue to digital converter.

Each time a 4/20mA current is applied to the instrument, initialisation is performed. After a short delay the following display sequence occurs:

-1.8.8.8.8      Display test in which all segments of the display are activated for 0.5 seconds.

Blank display    For 0.5 seconds.

Decimal points    For 3 seconds.  
cycled

Input current      Using calibration  
display in          information stored in  
engineering        instrument memory.  
units.

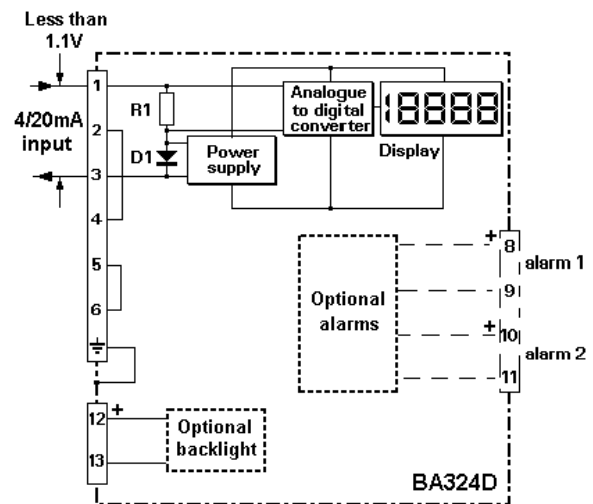


Fig 1 Simplified block diagram of BA324D

### 2.1 Controls

The BA324D is controlled and calibrated via four push-button switches which are located behind the instrument control cover, or as an option on the instrument cover. In the display mode i.e. when displaying a variable, these switches have the following functions:

**P** While this button is pushed the indicator will display the input current in mA, or as a percentage of the instrument span depending upon how the indicator has been programmed. When the button is released the normal display in engineering units will return. The function of this push-button is modified when alarms or a tare function are fitted to the indicator.

**Down** While this button is pushed the indicator will display the number which the indicator has been calibrated to display with a 4mA input. When released the normal display in engineering units will return.

**Up** While this button is pushed the indicator will display the number which the indicator has been calibrated to display with a 20mA input. When released the normal display in engineering units will return.

**E** No function in the display mode.

allows the BA324D to be connected into any intrinsically safe circuit protected by a Zener barrier or galvanic isolator, providing the output parameters of the circuit do not exceed:

$$\begin{aligned} U_o &= 30V \text{ dc} \\ I_o &= 200mA \\ P_o &= 0.85W \end{aligned}$$

For this reason the BA324D only has an apparatus certificate. No system certificate has been issued, or is required, because the system certificate of the loop into which the indicator is connected remains valid. Note: The optional display backlight does have a system certificate.

The BA324D EC-Type Examination Certificate specifies that the maximum equivalent capacitance and inductance between the two 4/20mA input terminals is:

$$\begin{aligned} C_i &= 20nF \\ L_i &= 10\mu H \end{aligned}$$

To determine the maximum permissible cable parameters these figures must be subtracted from the maximum cable capacitance and inductance permitted by the system certificate of the loop into which the BA324D is connected.

### 3. INTRINSIC SAFETY CERTIFICATION

#### 3.1 ATEX certificate

The BA324D has been issued with an EC-Type Examination Certificate number ITS99ATEX2002 by Intertek Testing and Certification Ltd showing compliance with the European ATEX Directive 94/9/EC for Group II, Category 1, gas and dust atmospheres, EEx ia IIC. The instrument bears the Community Mark and, subject to local codes of practice, may be installed in any of the European Economic Area (EEA) member countries. ATEX certificates are also acceptable for installations in Switzerland.

This manual describes installations in explosive gas atmospheres which conform with BS EN60079:Part 14:2003. When designing systems for installation outside the UK, the local Code of Practice should be consulted.

For use in the presence of combustible dust, please refer to Appendix 2 which describes installations complying with EN 61241-14.

#### 3.2 4/20mA input

In Europe, sources of energy which do not generate more than 1.5V; 100mA and 25mW are, for intrinsic safety purposes, considered to be *simple apparatus* (Clause 5.4 of EN50 020:1994).

Although the BA324D indicator does not itself comply with the requirements for *simple apparatus*, the EC-Type Examination Certificate specifies that under fault conditions the voltage, current and power at the 4/20mA input terminals 1 and 3 will not exceed those specified for *simple apparatus* in Clause 5.4 of EN50020:1994. This

#### 3.3 Use in explosive gas atmospheres Zones, gas groups and T rating

The BA324D has been certified EEx ia IIC T5. When connected to a suitable system the indicator may be installed in:

Zone 0 explosive gas air mixture continuously present.

Zone 1 explosive gas air mixture likely to occur in normal operation.

Zone 2 explosive gas air mixture not likely to occur, and if it does will only exist for a short time.

Be used with gases in groups:

Group A propane  
Group B ethylene  
Group C hydrogen



Having a temperature classification of:

T1 450°C  
T2 300°C  
T3 200°C  
T4 135°C  
T5 100°C

This allows the BA324D to be installed in all Zones and to be used with most common industrial gases.

**3.4 Certification Label Information**

The certification label is fitted in a recess on the top outer surface of the enclosure. It shows the ATEX certification information plus BEKA associates name and location. Non European certification information may also be included. The instrument serial number and date of manufacture are recorded on a separate label inside the terminal compartment.

<b>BA324D 4½ Digit Indicator</b>	
  0359 II 1 G	<b>Tamb = -40°C to +60°C</b> <b>EEx ia IIC T5 ITS99ATEX2002</b>
Year of manufacture shown within terminal compartment	
BEKA associates Ltd Hitchin England www.beka.co.uk	

**4. SYSTEM DESIGN FOR HAZARDOUS AREAS**

**4.1 Transmitter loops**

A BA324D indicator may be connected in series with almost any intrinsically safe 4/20mA current loop and calibrated to display the measured variable or control signal in engineering units. There are two basic design requirements:

1. The intrinsic safety output parameters of the 4/20mA loop, which are defined by the Zener barrier or galvanic isolator, must be less than:
 

Uo	=	30V dc
Io	=	200mA
Po	=	0.85W
2. The loop must be able to tolerate the additional 1.1V required to operate the indicator.

Fig 2 illustrates a typical application in which a BA324D indicator is connected in series with a 2-wire transmitter protected by a Zener barrier.

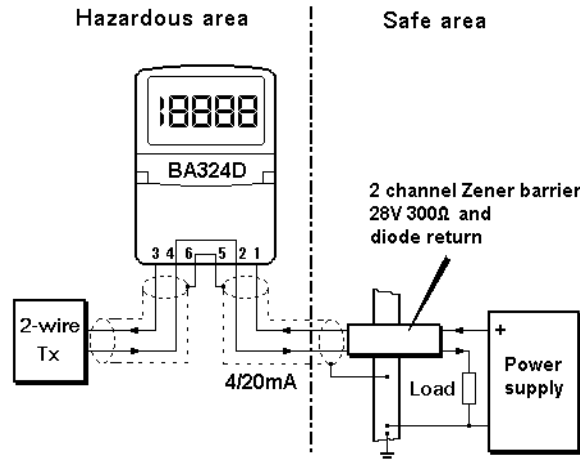


Fig 2 BA324D in a transmitter loop

**4.2 Remote indication**

A BA324D may be driven from a 4/20mA safe area signal via an intrinsically safe interface to provide a remote indication within a hazardous area. The type of interface is not critical, either a Zener barrier or a galvanic isolator may be used, providing the output parameters of the interface are :

Uo	less than	30V dc
Io	less than	200mA
Po	less than	0.85W

Note: when the hazard is a IIC gas, and two single channel Zener barriers or a two channel Zener barrier are used, only one barrier or channel may be a 28V 300ohm device.

Again it is necessary to ensure that the voltage capability of the 4/20mA signal is sufficient to drive the indicator plus the voltage drop introduced by the intrinsically safe interface. Figs 3A, 3B and 3C show the alternative circuits which may be used.

If one side of the 4/20mA current loop may be earthed, a single channel Zener barrier provides the lowest cost protection. If the 4/20mA signal is not isolated, then two Zener barriers, a two channel Zener barrier or a galvanic isolator must be used.

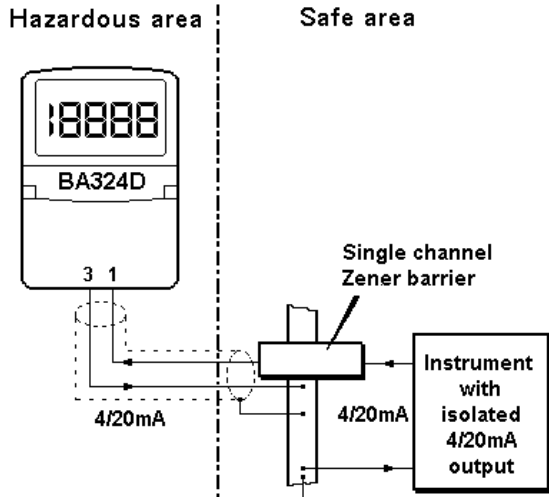


Fig 3A Simplest circuit with one side of 4/20mA current loop connected to earth

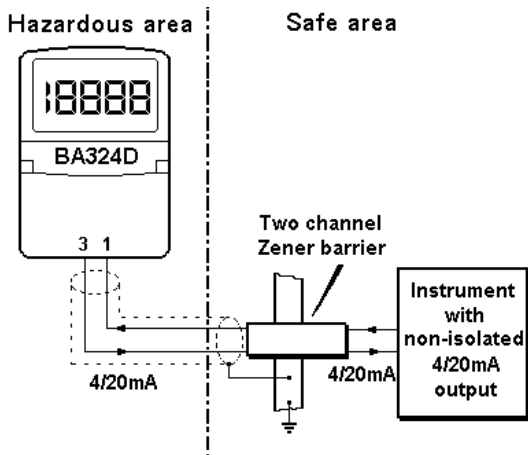


Fig 3B Two Zener barrier channels are required if the 4/20mA current loop can not be earthed at the barrier busbar.

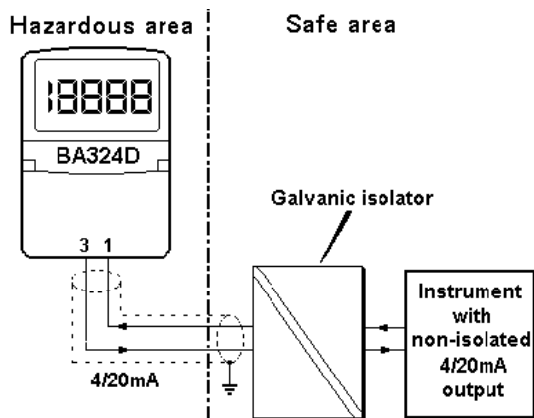


Fig 3C Galvanic isolator can be used with any 4/20mA current loop.

## 5. INSTALLATION

### 5.1 Location

The BA324D indicator is housed in a robust IP66 glass reinforced polyester (GRP) enclosure incorporating an armoured glass window and stainless steel fittings making it suitable for exterior mounting in most industrial installations, including off-shore and waste water treatment. Please consult BEKA associates if high vibration is anticipated.

The BA324D is surface mounting, but may be pipe or stem mounted using the accessory kits described in sections 9.7 and 9.8 of this manual. The field terminals and the two mounting holes are located in a separate compartment with a sealed cover allowing the instrument to be installed without exposing the display assembly.

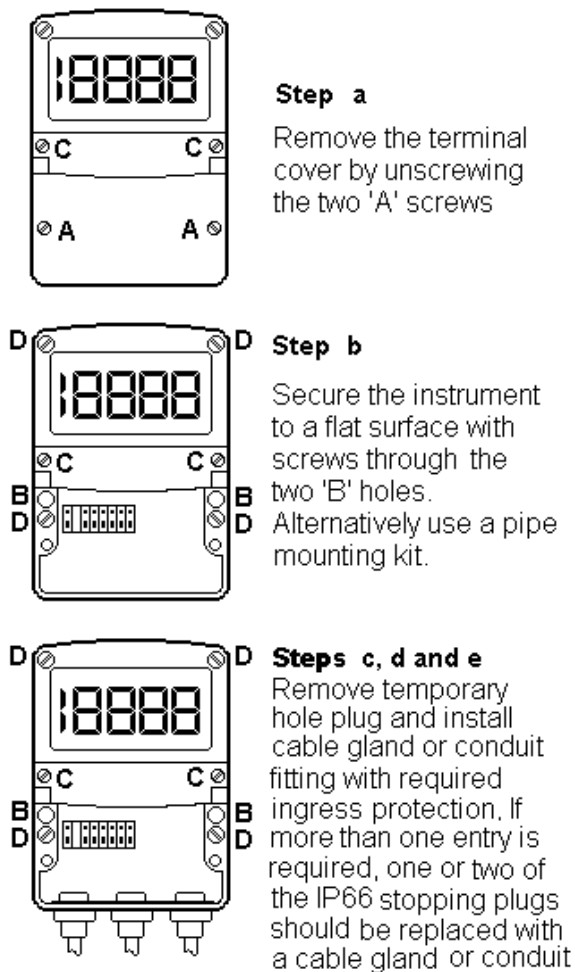
Terminals 2 and 4 are internally joined and may be used for linking the return 4/20mA wire - see Fig 2. Similarly terminals 5 and 6 are internally joined and may be used for linking cable screens. The BA324D earth terminal is connected to the internal EMC filters. For maximum radio frequency interference rejection this terminal should be connected to a local earth, or to a cable screen which is earthed in the safe area. To prevent circulating currents, cable screens should only be earthed in the safe area.

The BA324D enclosure is fitted with a bonding plate to ensure electrical continuity between the three conduit / cable entries.

### 5.2 Installation Procedure

Fig 4 illustrates the instrument installation procedure.

- Remove the instrument terminal cover by unscrewing the two captive 'A' screws.
- Mount the instrument on a flat surface and secure with screws or bolts through the two 'B' holes. Alternatively use one of the pipe or stem mounting kits described in sections 9.7 and 9.8
- Remove the temporary hole plug and install a cable gland or conduit fitting with required ingress protection. If more than one entry is required, replace one or both IP66 stopping plugs with a cable gland or conduit fitting having the required ingress protection.
- Connect the field wiring to the terminals as shown in Fig 5.
- Replace the instrument terminal cover and evenly tighten the two 'A' screws.



fitting with required ingress protection. Replace the terminal cover and tighten the two 'A' screws.

Fig 4 BA324D installation procedure

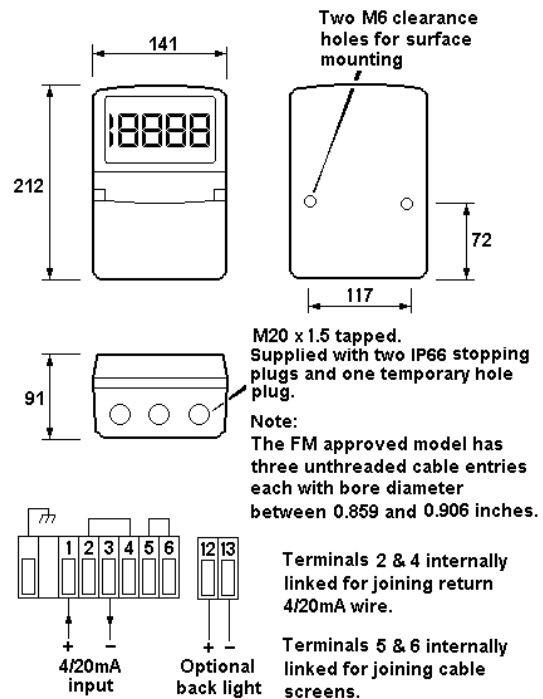


Fig 5 Dimensions and terminal connections

### 5.3 EMC

The BA324D complies with the requirements of the European EMC Directive 2004/108/EC. For specified immunity all wiring should be in screened twisted pairs, with the screens earthed in the safe area

Additional immunity may be obtained by connecting the BA324D earth terminal to a local earth, or to a cable screen which is earthed in the safe area. If this terminal is not connected, personal and intrinsic safety will not be degraded.

## 6. PROGRAMMING & CALIBRATION

The BA324D is programmed and calibrated via four push-buttons which are located behind the instrument control cover. When frequent access to the push-buttons is required, the indicator can be supplied with external membrane push-buttons mounted on the outside of the control cover.

All the programming functions are contained in an easy to use menu which is shown diagrammatically in Fig 6. Each function is summarised in section 6.1 which includes references to more detailed information. Although this simple menu driven system enables most adjustments to be made without repeated reference to this manual, we recommend that at least the summary of the programmable functions in section 6.1 is read before attempting programming or recalibration.

When the indicator is fitted with alarms, linearisation or a tare function, the basic menu is expanded to include functions associated with these optional features. All the optional functions are described in section 9 of this manual.

Throughout this manual push-buttons are shown in italics e.g. *P* or *Up* push-button, and legends displayed by the indicator are shown within inverted commas e.g. 'CAL' and 'ALr2'.

Access to the programme menu is obtained by operating the *P* and *E* push-buttons simultaneously. If the instrument is not protected by a security code the first parameter 'root' will be displayed. If a security code other than the default code 0000 has already been entered, the indicator will display 'COdE'. Press *P* to clear this prompt and enter the security code for the instrument using the *Up*, *Down* and *P* push-buttons. If the correct code has been entered pressing *E* will cause the first parameter 'root' to be displayed. If an incorrect code is entered the indicator will return to the display mode.

Once within the menu the required parameter can be reached by scrolling through the main menu using the *Up* and *Down* push-buttons as shown in Fig 6. When returning to the display mode following recalibration or changes to any parameters, the indicator will display circulating decimal points for a few seconds while the new information is stored in permanent memory.

All new BA324D indicators are supplied calibrated as requested at the time of ordering. If calibration is not requested, the indicator will be set to display 0.00 with 4mA input, and 100.00 with 20mA input, but can easily be re-calibrated on-site.

### 6.1 Summary of programmable functions

This section summarises all of the programmable functions and when read in conjunction with Fig 6 provides sufficient information to condition and calibrate the indicator. A cross-reference to more information is given for each function.

Display	Description of function
'root'	<b>Square root extractor</b> Turns the square root extractor for linearising the output from differential flowmeters 'On' or 'OFF'. This function is omitted when a lineariser is installed. See section 6.2
'rESn'	<b>Display resolution</b> Selects the resolution of the least significant display digit. May be set to 1, 2, 5 or 10 digits. See section 6.3
'd.P.'	<b>Decimal point</b> Positions the dummy decimal point between any of the digits or turns it off. See section 6.4
'CAL'	<b>Calibration of display using external current source.</b> Enables the zero and span of the indicator to be adjusted using an external current source such as a calibrator. Also enables a complete loop to be calibrated from primary element to the indicator display. When used with an accurate traceable current source this is the preferred method of calibration. See section 6.5



Display	Description of function	Display	Description of function
'SEt'	<p><b>Calibration of display using internal references.</b> Enables the zero and span of the indicator to be adjusted without the need for an accurate input current or disconnection from the 4/20mA loop. See section 6.6</p>	'C - - P'	<p><b>Function of P push-button</b> The <i>BA324D</i> may be programmed to display the input current in milliamps or the input current as a percentage when the <i>P</i> push-button is operated. See section 6.8</p>
'Cond'	<p><b>Indicator conditioning</b> This function provides access to a sub-menu enabling the mains (line) frequency rejection to be selected and the internal references to be calibrated. Because these parameters will alter the indicator display, they are contained in a sub-menu to prevent inadvertent adjustment.</p> <p style="text-align: center;"><b>Caution</b> <b>If the mains filter frequency is changed, the indicator display and internal references (if used) must be recalibrated.</b></p> <p>See section 6.7</p>	'COdE'	<p><b>Security code</b> Defines a four digit numeric code which must be entered to gain access to programmable functions. Default code 0000 disables the security function and allows unrestricted access to all programmable functions. See section 6.9</p>
'FrE'	<p><b>Frequency rejection</b> Defines the mains (line) frequency at which the indicator has maximum ac rejection. 50 or 60Hz may be selected. This function must be set before the instrument is calibrated as it affects the indicator display. See section 6.7.1</p>		
'rEF'	<p><b>Calibration of internal references</b> The indicator contains two references representing a 4 and 20mA. input These enable the BA324D display to be calibrated without the need for an external calibrator, or disconnection from the 4/20mA loop. See the SEt function. If the SEt or C--P functions are to be used, the internal references should be periodically calibrated. See section 6.7.2</p>		

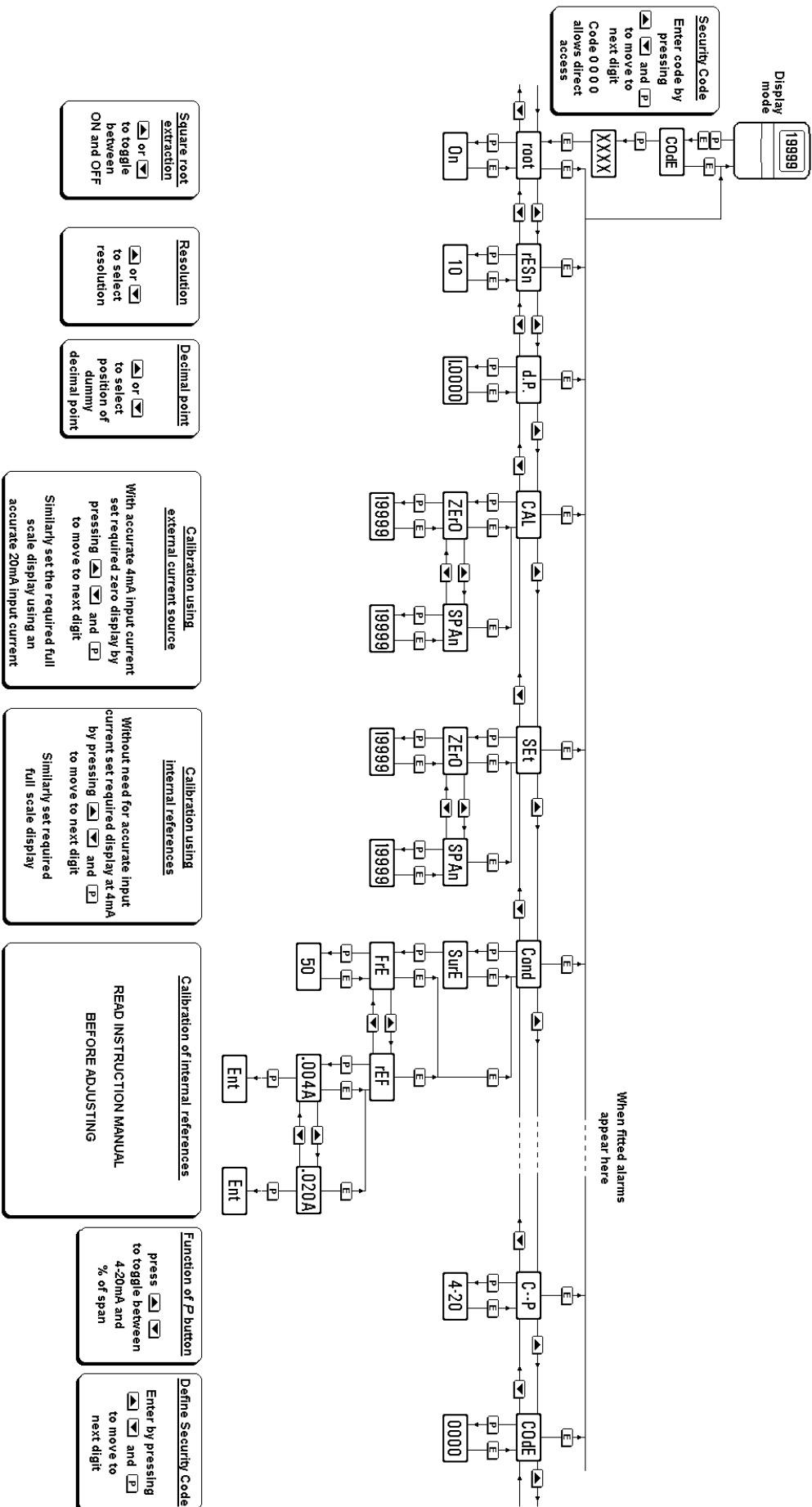


Fig 6 Programme Structure

## 6.2 Root extractor: root

This function is primarily intended for use with differential flowmeters which have a square law 4/20mA output. To activate the square root extractor select 'root' from the menu and press *P* which will reveal if the function is 'On' or 'OFF'. If the function is set as required, press *E* to return to the menu, or press the *Up* or *Down* button to change the setting, followed by the *E* button to return to the main menu. For reference, the following table shows the output current from a non-linearised differential flowmeter. Below 5% of flow the BA324D display is forced to zero.

% of full flow	Current output mA
5.0	4.04
10.0	4.16
25.0	5.00
50.0	8.00
75.0	13.00
100.0	20.00

## 6.3 Resolution: rESn

This function defines the resolution of the least significant display digit. Decreasing the display resolution can improve the readability of a noisy signal. Select 'rESn' from the menu and press *P* which will reveal the current display resolution. To change the resolution press the *Up* or *Down* button to select 1, 2, 5 or 10 digits, followed by the *E* button to return to the menu.

## 6.4 Position of the decimal point: d.P.

A dummy decimal point can be positioned between any of the digits or may be absent. To position the decimal point select 'd.P.' from the menu and press *P*. The decimal point can then be moved or turned off by pressing the *Up* or *Down* push-button, followed by *E* to return to the menu.

## 6.5 Calibration of display using an external current source: CAL

This function enables the zero and span of the indicator to be adjusted using an external calibrated current source. When used with an accurate traceable current source this is the preferred method of calibration.

To calibrate the indicator select 'CAL' from the main menu and press *P*. The indicator will display 'ZEro' which is a request for a 4mA input current. Adjust the external current calibrator to 4.000mA and again press *P* which will reveal the current zero display. Each digit of the indicator display can be changed by pressing the *Up* or *Down* buttons. When the first digit is correct pressing *P* will transfer control to the next digit.

When all the digits have been adjusted, press *E* to enter the new zero. The indicator will display 'Ent' for a few seconds while the information is being stored in memory, and will then return to the 'ZEro' prompt.

To adjust the display at 20mA, press the *Up* button which will cause the indicator to display 'SPAN'. Adjust the external current calibrator to 20.000mA and again press *P* which will reveal the existing full scale display. Each digit of the indicator display can be changed by pressing the *Up* or *Down* buttons. When the first digit is correct, pressing *P* will transfer control to the next digit. When all the digits have been adjusted press *E* to enter the new span. The indicator will display 'Ent' for a few seconds while the information is being stored in memory, and will then return to the 'SPAN' prompt. Finally press *E* again to return to the main menu.

This function may also be used when calibrating a complete loop from primary element to indicator display e.g. when the indicator is displaying the output from a resistance thermometer transmitter.

## 6.6 Calibration of display using internal references: SEt

This function enables the zero and span of the indicator to be adjusted without the need for an accurate external current source, or for disconnection from the 4/20mA loop. The accuracy of this method depends upon the accuracy of the internal references which should be regularly calibrated as described in section 6.7.2

To calibrate the indicator select 'SEt' from the main menu and press *P*. The indicator will display 'ZEro', pressing *P* again will reveal the current display at 4mA. Each digit of the indicator display can be changed by pressing the *Up* or *Down* buttons. When the first digit is correct, pressing *P* will transfer control to the next digit. When the least significant digit has been adjusted, press *E* to return to the 'ZEro' prompt which completes the adjustment.

To adjust the display at 20mA, press the *Up* button which will cause the indicator to display 'SPAN'. Pressing *P* again will reveal the indicator display. Each digit can be changed by pressing the *Up* or *Down* buttons. When the first digit is correct, pressing *P* will transfer control to the next digit. When the least significant digit has been adjusted press *E* to return to the 'SPAN' prompt followed by *E* to return to the menu.

### 6.7 Conditioning sub-menu: **Cond**

This sub-menu allows the mains (line) frequency at which the indicator has maximum ac rejection to be selected and the two internal references to be calibrated. These functions are contained in a sub-menu to minimise the possibility of inadvertent adjustment. To gain access to the sub-menu select 'Cond' from the main menu and press *P*. The indicator will display 'SurE' to warn that changing the parameters in the sub-menu will change the indicator display. Pressing *P* again will give access to the sub-menu, or pressing *E* will return the indicator to the main menu.

#### 6.7.1 AC rejection: **FrE**

##### **Caution**

**If the mains filter frequency is changed, the indicator display and internal references (if used) must be recalibrated.**

To provide maximum low frequency rejection the internal digital filter may be set to operate at 50 or 60Hz to correspond with the local mains (line) frequency. To change the frequency select 'FrE' from the 'Cond' sub-menu and press *P* which will reveal the current setting. The setting can be changed by pressing the *Up* or *Down* buttons followed by the *E* button to return to the sub-menu.

#### 6.7.2 Calibration of internal references: **rEF**

The indicator contains two references representing 4 and 20mA. These references are used in the 'SEt' function which enables the indicator display to be calibrated without an external current calibrator. They are also used in the 'C--P' function when the *P* push-button is programmed to display the input current in the display mode. If neither of these functions is to be used, it is not necessary to calibrate the internal references.

To calibrate the references select 'rEF' from the sub-menu and press *P* which will result in a '0.004A' prompt being displayed. Adjust the external current calibrator to 4.000mA and again press *P*. The indicator will display 'Ent' when the 4mA reference has been updated and will then return to the '.004A' prompt.

To re-calibrate the 20mA internal reference, press the *Up* button which will cause the indicator to display '.020A'. Adjust the external current calibrator to 20.000mA and again press *P*. The indicator will display 'Ent' when the 20mA reference has been updated and will then return to the '.020A' prompt. Two operations of the *E* button will return the indicator to the main menu.

The accuracy of the internal references, and hence the display accuracy, will depend upon the accuracy of the external current source. With a maximum span of 19999 the indicators have a display resolution of 0.8 $\mu$ A, we therefore recommend that the accuracy of the external current source used for calibration is greater than 0.4 $\mu$ A.

### 6.8 Function of the *P* push-button: **C - - P**

This parameter defines the function of the *P* push-button when the indicator is in the display mode. While the button is operated the indicator will display the input current in milliamps, or as a percentage of the span.

To check or change the parameter select 'C - -P' from the main menu and press *P* to reveal the current setting. Pressing the *Up* or *Down* button will toggle the setting between '4-20' the current display and 'PC' the percentage display. When set as required press *E* to return to the main menu.

Accuracy of the current display depends upon the accuracy of the internal references which should be periodically calibrated - see section 6.7.2

### 6.9 Security code: **COdE**

The calibration and conditioning of the instrument may be protected by a four digit security code which must be entered before access to the programme menu is granted. New instruments are programmed with the default security code 0000 which allows unrestricted access to all programming functions.

To enter a new security code select 'COdE' from the menu and press *P* which will cause the indicator to display the current security code. Each digit of the code can be changed using the *Up* and *Down* push-buttons, and the *P* button to move to the next digit. When the required code has been entered press *E* to return to the main menu. The revised security code will be activated when the indicator is returned to the operating mode.

If the security code is lost, access to the programmable functions can be obtained by moving the internal security link to the override position. The security code can then be viewed by selecting 'CodE' from the main menu and pressing *P*.

To gain access to the security code link, remove the instrument control cover, and if fitted unplug the external switch connector. The security code override link is located on the inner row of five pins as shown in Fig 7.

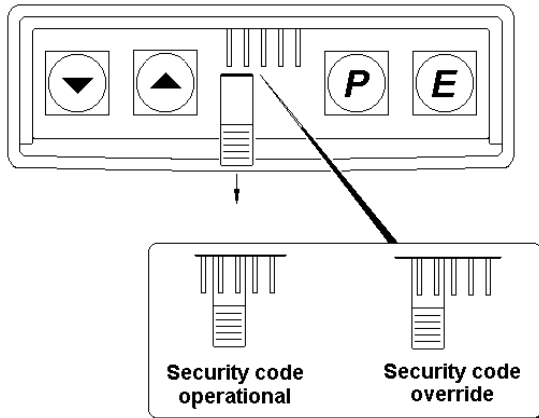


Fig 7 Location of security code override link

### 6.10 Over and under-range

If the indicator display range is exceeded, the four least significant digits will be blanked. Under-range is indicated by '-1' and over-range by '1'. Under and over-range are also indicated if the input current falls below approximately 3.5mA or rises above approximately 21mA.

If the input current falls below 3mA the instrument initialisation sequence is performed as described in section 2.

## 7. CALIBRATION EXAMPLES

The following examples illustrate the two ways in which a BA324D indicator may be calibrated.

### 7.1 Using an external current source

The BA324D indicator is required to display:

-50.0	with a 4mA input
1050.0	with a 20mA input

from a linear transducer. Maximum display resolution is required, the frequency of the mains supply is 50Hz and the existing security code is 1209. In the operating mode the indicator is required to display the input current as a percentage of span when the *P* push-button is operated.

#### Step 1 Connect indicator to calibrator

Connect the indicator to an accurate external current source. Terminal 1 positive. The indicator will automatically perform the initialisation routine described in section 2, and then display the input current using the existing calibration information.

#### Step 2 Enter programming mode

With an input current between 4 and 20mA put the indicator in the programming mode by simultaneously pressing *P* and *E*. The indicator will respond by displaying 'COdE'. Press *P* to clear this prompt and set the display to the security code 1209 using the *Up*, *Down* and *P* push-buttons. Pressing *E* will enter the code, and after a few seconds during which the decimal points will be scrolled, the first parameter 'root' in the main menu will be displayed.

#### Step 3 Square root extraction

With 'root' displayed, press *P* which will reveal the root extractor status. The root extractor can be turned on or off by the *Up* or *Down* buttons. Select 'OFF', and press *E* to return to the main menu.

#### Step 4 Select frequency of maximum mains (line) rejection

Scroll through the main menu until 'Cond' is displayed. Enter the sub-menu by pressing *P* twice and select the 'FrE' function. Using the *Up* or *Down* buttons select '50', and then press *E* twice to return to the main menu.

**Step 5 Define function of P push-button**

Select 'C--P' from the main menu and press *P* to reveal the function of the *P* button in the display mode. Select percentage 'PC' and return to the main menu by pressing *E*

Note: Because an input current display in milliamps is not required, it is not necessary to calibrate the two internal references.

**Step 6 Position dummy decimal point**

Scroll through the main menu until 'd.P.' is displayed and then press *P*. Using the *Up* and *Down* push-buttons position the dummy decimal point in front of the least significant digit.

Press *E* to return to the main menu.

**Step 7 Calibrate the display**

Scroll through the main menu until 'CAL' is displayed. Press *P* and the indicator will request a 4mA input by displaying 'ZErO'. Set the input current to  $4.0000 \pm 0.0004\text{mA}$  and press *P* again which will reveal the existing zero display. Using the *Up*, *Down* and *P* push-buttons enter the required zero display of -50.0 Press *E* to return to the 'ZErO' prompt.

Press the *Up* push-button and the indicator will request a 20mA input by displaying 'SPAN'. Set the input current to  $20.0000 \pm 0.0004\text{mA}$  and again press *P* which will reveal the existing display at 20mA. Using the *Up*, *Down* and *P* push-buttons enter the required display of 1050.0

Press *E* twice to return to the main menu.

**Step 8 Return to the display mode**

Following completion of calibration return to the display mode by pressing '*E*'.

**7.2 Using the internal references**

As in 7.1 the BA324D is required to display:

-50.0	with a 4mA input
1050.0	with a 20mA input

from a linear transducer. Maximum display resolution is required, the frequency of the mains supply is 50Hz and the existing security code is 1209. In the operating mode the indicator is required to display the input current in milliamps when the *P* push-button is operated.

This example assumes that the internal references have been routinely calibrated.

**Step1 Enter the programming mode**

With an input current between 4 and 20mA put the indicator in the programming mode by simultaneously pressing *P* and *E*. The indicator will respond by displaying 'COdE'. Press *P* to clear this prompt and set the display to the security code 1209 using the *Up*, *Down* and *P* push-buttons. Pressing *E* will enter the code, and after a few seconds during which the decimal points will be scrolled, the first parameter 'root' in the main menu will be displayed.

**Step 2 Square root extractor**

With 'root' displayed, press *P* which will reveal the root extractor status. The root extractor can be turned on or off by the *Up* or *Down* buttons. Select 'OFF', and press *E* to return to the main menu.

**Step 3 Select frequency of max mains (line) rejection**

Scroll through the main menu until 'Cond' is displayed. Enter the sub-menu by pressing *P* twice and select the 'FrE' function. Using the *Up* or *Down* buttons select '50', and then press *E* twice to return to the main menu.

**Step 4 Define function of P push-button**

Select 'C--P' from the main menu and press *P* to reveal the function of the *P* button in the display mode. Select '4-20' and return to the main menu by pressing *E*.

**Step 5 Position dummy decimal point**

Select 'd.P' from the main menu and then press *P*. Using the *Up* and *Down* push-buttons position the dummy decimal point in front of the least significant digit.

Press *E* to return to the main menu.

**Step 6 Calibrate display**

With any input current between 4 and 20mA select 'SEt' from the main menu and press *P*. The indicator will display 'ZErO' in the sub-menu; press *P* to reveal the existing zero display.

Using the *Up*, *Down* and *P* push-buttons enter the required zero display of -50.0 Press *E* to return to the 'ZEro' prompt.

Again with any input current between 4 and 20mA press the *Up* push-button and the indicator will display 'SPAN'. Press *P* to reveal the existing span display. Using the *Up*, *Down* and *P* push-buttons enter the required span display of 1050.0 Press *E* to return to the 'SPAN' prompt. Press *E* again to return to the main menu.

### Step 7 Return to display mode

Following completion of calibration return to the display mode by pressing 'E'.

## 8. MAINTENANCE

### 8.1 Fault finding during commissioning

If a BA324D fails to function during commissioning the following procedure should be followed:

Symptom	Cause	Solution
No display	Incorrect wiring	There should be 1V between terminals 1 & 3 with terminal 1 positive.
No display and no volts between terminals 1 and 3.	Incorrect wiring or no power supply.	Check that a current is flowing in the loop.
	Insufficient loop voltage to operate indicator	Check supply voltage and voltage drops caused by all components in the loop.
Indicator displays 1	Positive over-range	The indicator has been incorrectly calibrated & is trying to display a number greater than 19999.
Indicator displays -1	Negative over-range	The indicator has been incorrectly calibrated & is trying to display a number less than -19999.
Unstable display	4/20mA input has a large ripple content.	Check loop supply voltage.
Unable to enter the programme mode	Incorrect security code entered.	Enter correct security code or fit security link in override position. See Fig 7.

### 8.2 Fault finding after commissioning

#### ENSURE PLANT SAFETY BEFORE STARTING MAINTENANCE

**Live maintenance is permitted on intrinsically safe equipment installed in a hazardous area, but only certified test equipment should be used unless a gas clearance certificate is available.**

If a BA324D fails after it has been functioning correctly, the following table may help to identify the cause of the failure.

Symptom	Cause	Solution
No display and no volts between terminals 1 and 3.	No power supply	Check that a current is flowing in the loop.
Unstable display	4/20mA input has a large ripple.	Check loop supply voltage.
Incorrect calibration	Digital filter FrE has been changed after indicator was calibrated.	Recalibrate

If this procedure does not reveal the cause of the fault, it is recommended that the instrument is replaced. This can be done without disconnecting power, but while the indicator is disconnected the 4/20mA loop will be open circuit. Alternatively the electronic assembly may be exchanged as described in section 8.3

### 8.3 Servicing

**We recommend that faulty instruments and instrument assemblies are returned to BEKA associates or to our local agent for repair.**

**Electronic components must not be replaced or repaired on site.**

To simplify servicing all BA324D indicators use a common display assembly. Depending upon the accessories fitted, one spare display assembly may be used to repair any BA324D which fails. The exchange may be made without disconnecting power, the 4/20mA loop will continue to function but the indicator voltage drop will increase from 1V to 4V without the display assembly.

To exchange the display assembly remove the terminal cover by unscrewing the two 'A' screws which will reveal two concealed 'D' screws. If the instrument is fitted with external push-buttons also unscrew the two 'C' screws securing the buttons and un-plug the five way connector. Finally unscrew all four 'D' screws and carefully lift off the front of the instrument. The location of all the screws is shown in Fig 4. The display assembly is secured by three Pozi headed screws which should be removed. If the instrument is fitted with a backlight or alarms the fly-leads connecting the accessory boards to the terminals should be unplugged. The replacement display assembly may then be installed and the enclosure reassembled.

If after replacement of the display assembly the instrument still does not function, it is likely that the fault is within the protection components on the terminal assembly. Terminal assemblies may be exchanged on site providing the replacement includes terminals for any accessories fitted to the display assembly i.e. terminals for backlight and / or alarms.

#### 8.4 Routine maintenance

The mechanical condition of the instrument and electrical calibration should be regularly checked. The interval between inspections depends upon environmental conditions. We recommend that initially instrument calibration should be checked annually.

#### 8.5 Guarantee

Indicators which fail within the guarantee period should be returned to BEKA associates or our local agent. It is helpful if a brief description of the fault symptoms is provided.

#### 8.6 Customer comments

BEKA associates is always pleased to receive comments from customers about our products and services. All communications are acknowledged and whenever possible, suggestions are implemented.

## 9. ACCESSORIES

### 9.1 Units of measurement and instrument identification

All BA324D indicators are fitted with a blank label around the liquid crystal display. This label can be supplied printed with any units of measurement and tag information specified at the time of ordering. Alternatively the information may be added on-site via an embossed strip, dry transfer or a permanent marker.

To gain access to the display label remove the terminal cover by unscrewing the two 'A' screws which will reveal two concealed 'D' screws. If the instrument is fitted with external push-buttons, also unscrew the two 'C' screws securing the buttons and un-plug the five way connector. Finally unscrew all four 'D' screws and carefully lift off the front of the instrument. The location of all the screws is shown in Fig 4.

Add the required legend to the display label, or replace with a new pre-printed self-adhesive label which is available from BEKA associates

The BA324D can also be supplied with a blank or custom engraved stainless steel plate secured by two screws to the side of the instrument enclosure. This plate can accommodate:

1 row of 9 alphanumeric characters 10mm high

or 1 row of 11 alphanumeric characters 7mm high

or 2 rows of 18 alphanumeric characters 5mm high.

### 9.2 Alarms

The BA324D can be supplied with two solid state single pole alarm outputs which may be independently programmed as high or low alarms with normally open or normally closed outputs. Fig 8 illustrates the conditions available and shows which are fail safe, i.e. output is in the alarm condition (open) when the 4/20mA input current is zero.

#### WARNING

**These alarm outputs should not be used for critical safety applications such as a shut down system.**

When an alarm is activated the BA324D display alternates between the measured value and an alarm identification.



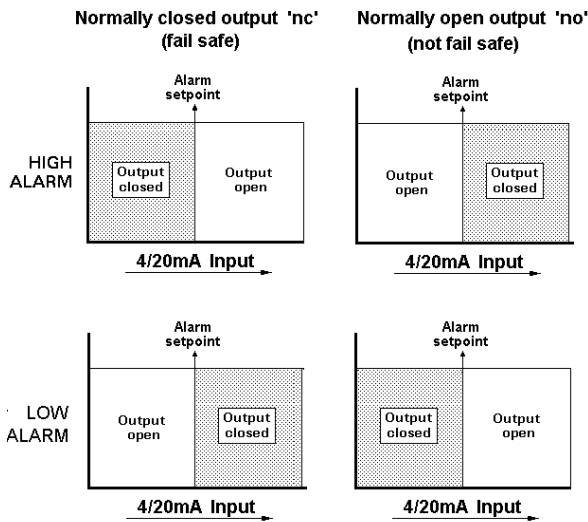


Fig 8 Alarm outputs

Programmable functions for each alarm include adjustable setpoint, hysteresis, alarm delay and alarm accept.

**9.2.1 Solid state output**

Each alarm has a galvanically isolated single pole solid state switch output as shown in Fig 9. The outputs are polarised and current will only flow in one direction. Terminals 8 and 10 should be connected to the positive side of the supply.

$$R_{on} = 50\text{ms} + 0.6\text{V}$$

$$R_{off} = \text{greater than } 180\text{k}$$

Note: Because of the series protection diode some test meters may not detect a closed alarm output.

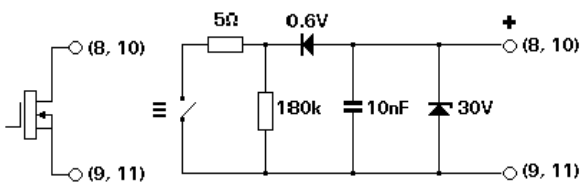


Fig 9 Equivalent circuit of each alarm output

**9.2.2 Intrinsic safety**

Each alarm output is a separate galvanically isolated solid state switch. The EC-Type Examination Certificate specifies that under fault conditions the voltage, current and power at each alarm output will not exceed those specified for *simple apparatus* in Clause 5.4 of EN50020:1994. This allows each of the BA324D alarm outputs to be connected to any intrinsically safe circuit protected by a Zener barrier or galvanic isolator providing that the output parameters of each circuit do not exceed:

Uo	28V dc
Io	200mA
Po	0.85W

No system certificate has been issued for the BA324D alarm outputs, as the system certificate for the circuit to which the alarms are connected remains valid. Hazardous or safe area loads may be switch as shown in Fig 10.

The maximum equivalent capacitance and inductance of each BA324D alarm output is:

$$C_i = 40\text{nF}$$

$$L_i = 20\mu\text{H}$$

To determine the maximum permissible cable parameters, the equivalent alarm output parameters must be subtracted from the maximum cable capacitance and inductance specified by the system certificate of the circuit connected to each alarm.

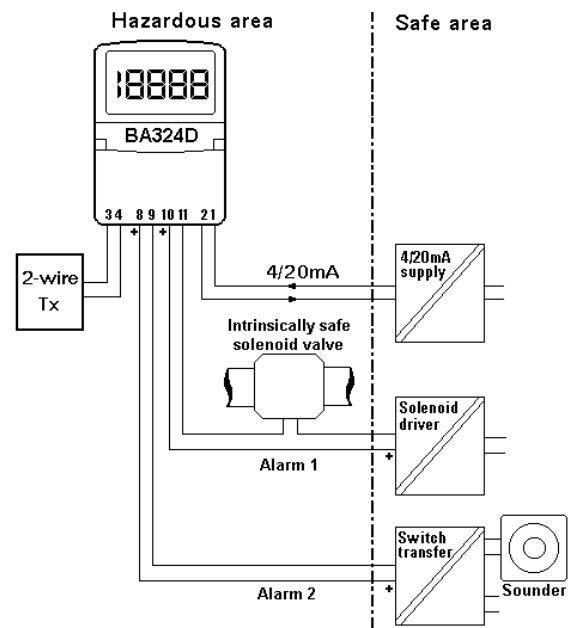


Fig 10 Typical alarm application

### 9.2.3 Programming and adjustment

When an alarm card is added to a BA324D the main programme menu is extended as shown in Fig 11. The additional functions appear between 'Cond' and 'C--P' in the main menu. For simplicity Fig 11 only shows the additional functions available on alarm 1, but alarm 2 has identical facilities.

The following table summarises each of the alarm programme functions and includes a cross reference to more detailed information. Again only the functions on alarm 1 are listed, but alarm 2 has identical facilities.

#### Summary of programmable alarm functions

Display	Description of function
'EnbL'	<b>Alarm enable</b> Enables or disables the alarm function without changing the alarm parameters. See section 9.2.4
'SP1'	<b>Alarm setpoint 1</b> Adjusts the alarm setpoint. The alarm is activated when the indicator display equals the setpoint. See section 9.2.5
'HI.LO'	<b>Alarm function</b> Defines whether the alarm has a high or low function. See section 9.2.6
'no.nc'	<b>Normally open or normally closed output</b> Determines whether the single pole alarm output is open or closed in the alarm condition. See section 9.2.7
'HStr'	<b>Hysteresis</b> Adjusts the alarm hysteresis. See section 9.2.8
'dELA'	<b>Alarm delay time</b> Adjusts the delay between the display equalling the setpoint and the alarm output being activated. See section 9.2.9

#### Display Description of function

'SIL'	<b>Alarm silence time</b> Defines the time that the alarm output remains in the non-alarm condition following acceptance of an alarm. See section 9.2.10
'AcSP'	<b>Access setpoint</b> Sub-menu which enables direct access to the alarm setpoints from the indicator display mode, and defines a separate security code. See section 9.2.11

#### 9.2.4 Alarm enable: EnbL

This function allows the alarm to be enabled or disabled without altering any of the alarm parameters. To check or change the function select 'EnbL' from the alarm menu and press *P* which will reveal the current setting. The function can be changed by pressing the *Up* or *Down* button followed by the *E* button to return to the alarm menu.

#### 9.2.5 Setpoint adjustment: SP1 and SP2

The setpoint of each alarm may be positioned anywhere between -19999 and 19999 providing this corresponds to an input current between 3.8 and 20.2mA. e.g. If the indicator has been calibrated to display 0 with 4mA input and 10000 with 20mA input, the two alarm setpoints may be positioned anywhere between -125 and 10125.

To adjust the setpoint select 'SP1' or 'SP2' from the alarm menu and press *P* which will reveal the existing alarm setpoint. Each digit of the setpoint can be adjusted using the *Up* and *Down* push-buttons, and the *P* button to move to the next digit. When the required setpoint has been entered press *E* to return to the alarm menu.

#### 9.2.6 Alarm function: HI.LO

Each alarm can be conditioned as a high or low alarm. To check or change the alarm function select 'HI.LO' from the alarm menu and press *P* to reveal the current setting. The function can be changed by pressing the *Up* or *Down* buttons followed by the *E* button to return to the alarm menu.

#### 9.2.7 Alarm output status: no.nc

This function allows the alarm output to be open or closed in the alarm condition. When deciding which is required, care must be taken to ensure that the alarm output is fail safe. See Fig 8.

**CAUTION**

**When the 4/20mA supply is removed both alarm outputs will open irrespective of conditioning. Therefore for fail safe operation both alarm outputs should be programmed to be open in the alarm condition.**

To check or change the alarm output status select 'no.nc' from the alarm menu and press *P* reveal the current setting. The function can be changed by pressing the *Up* or *Down* button followed by the *E* button to return to the alarm menu.

**9.2.8 Hysteresis: HStr**

During programming hysteresis is shown in the units the indicator has been calibrated to display. To adjust the hysteresis, select 'HStr' from the alarm menu and press *P* which will reveal the existing figure. Each digit can be adjusted using the *Up* and *Down* push-buttons, and the *P* button to move to the next digit. When the required hysteresis has been entered, press *E* to return to the alarm menu.

e.g. An indicator calibrated to display 0 to 10000, with a high alarm set at 9000 and hysteresis of 200 will perform as follows:

High alarm will be activated when display equals or exceeds 9000, but will not reset until the display falls below 8800.

**9.2.9 Alarm delay: dELA**

This function enables activation of the alarm output to be delayed for a fixed time following the alarm condition occurring. The delay can be programmed in 1 second increments up to 3600 seconds. If a delay is not required zero should be entered. To adjust the delay select 'dELA' from the alarm menu and press *P* which will reveal the existing delay. Each digit of the delay can be adjusted using the *Up* and *Down* push-buttons, and the *P* button to move to the next digit. When the required delay has been entered, press *E* to return to the alarm menu.

**9.2.10 Alarm silence time: SIL**

This function is primarily intended for use in small installations where the alarm output directly operates an annunciator such as a sounder. When the alarm silence time is set to any figure other than zero, the *P* push-button becomes an alarm accept button. After an alarm has occurred, operating the *P* button will cause the alarm output to revert to the non-alarm condition for the programmed alarm silence time. The display will continue to indicate an alarm after it has been accepted and silenced.

The alarm silence time may be adjusted between 0 and 3600 seconds in 1 second increments.

To adjust the alarm silence time select 'SIL' from the alarm menu and press *P* which will reveal the existing time. Each digit can be adjusted using the *Up* and *Down* push-buttons, and the *P* button to move to the next digit. When the required time has been entered press *E* to return to the alarm menu.

**9.2.11 Access Setpoint: AcSP**

This function controls a separate menu which provides direct access to the alarm setpoints when the indicator is in the display mode. See section 9.2.12 for a full description. An operator may therefore adjust the alarm setpoints without having access to the programme and alarm menus. Further protection is provided by a separate security code.

This direct access menu is enabled and a separate security code entered from the 'AcSP' function in the programme menu as shown in Fig 11. To change the menu parameters select 'AcSP' from the programme menu and press *P* which will display the enable prompt 'EnbL'. Press *P* again to reveal if the direct access menu is 'On' or 'OFF'. The *Up* or *Down* buttons will toggle the display between the two conditions.

If 'OFF' is selected, the operator will not have access to the setpoints from the display mode. Return to the 'AcSP' prompt in the main menu by pressing *E* twice.

If 'On' is selected, the operator will have direct access to the alarm setpoints from the display mode via a separate optional security code. To define the four digit numerical code press *P* to return to the 'Enbl' prompt followed by the *Up* or *Down* button to select the access code prompt 'AcCd'. Pressing *P* will reveal the current security code. Each digit of the code may be changed by operating the *Up* and *Down* push-buttons, and the *P* button to move to the next digit. When the required code has been entered, press *E* twice to return to the 'AcSP' prompt in the Programme Menu.

Code 0000 will disable the security code allowing direct access to the setpoints by pressing the *P* and *Up* buttons simultaneously.

New instruments with alarms are supplied with this function disabled and the security code set to 0000

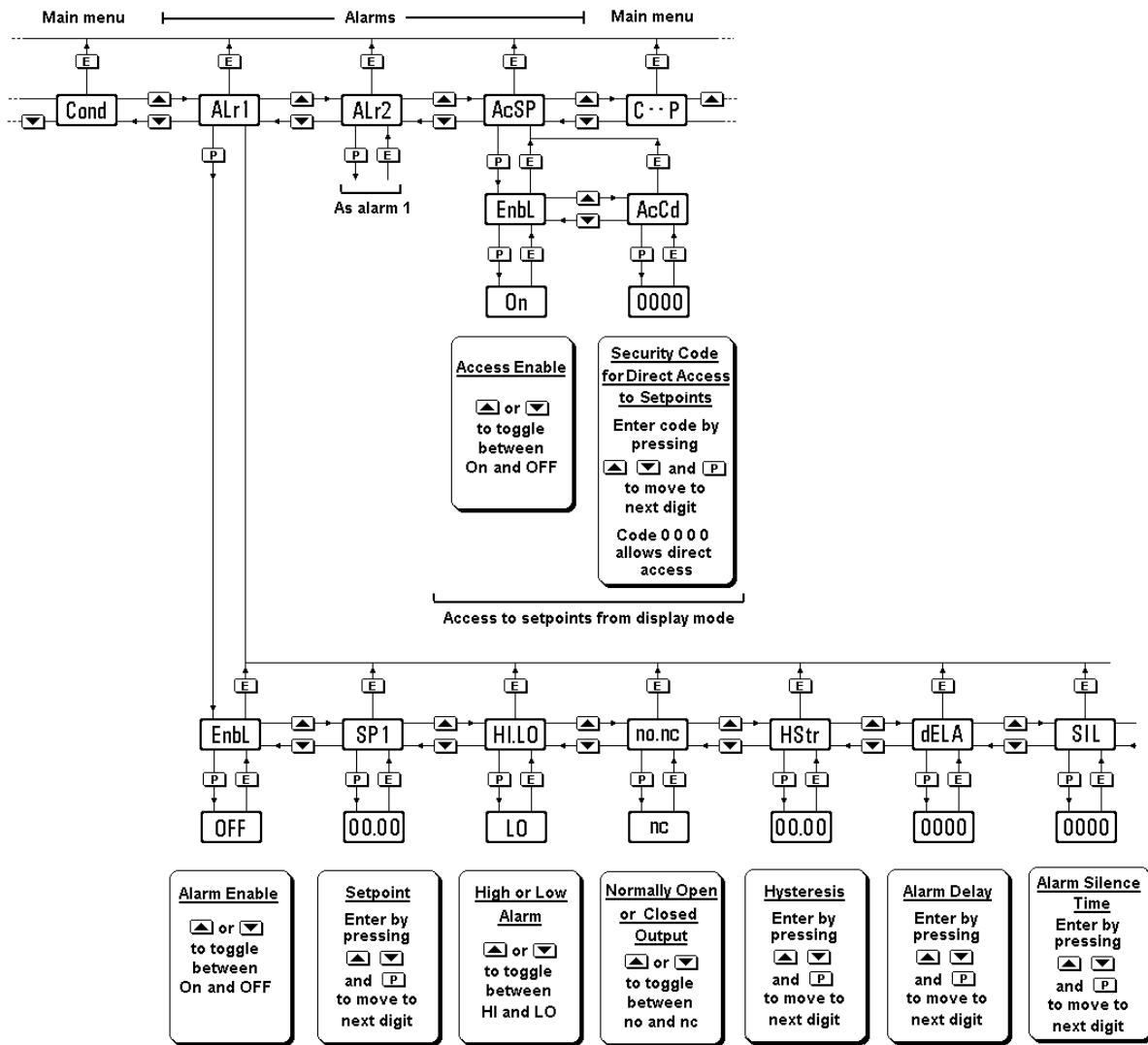


Fig 11 Alarm programme menu

### 9.2.12 Adjusting alarm setpoints from the display mode

Access to the alarm setpoints from the indicator display mode is obtained by operating the *P* and *Up* push-buttons simultaneously as shown in Fig 12. If the setpoints are not protected by a security code the alarm setpoint prompt 'SP1' will be displayed. If the setpoints are protected by a security code, 'Code' will be displayed first. Pressing *P* again will enable the alarm security code to be entered digit by digit using the *Up* and *Down* buttons to change the flashing digit, and the *P* push-button to move to the next digit.

If the correct code is entered pressing *E* will cause alarm setpoint prompt 'SP1' to be displayed. Pressing the *Up* or *Down* button will toggle the display between the two alarm setpoint prompts 'SP1' and 'SP2'.

If an incorrect security code is entered, or a button is not pressed within ten seconds, the instrument will return to the display mode.

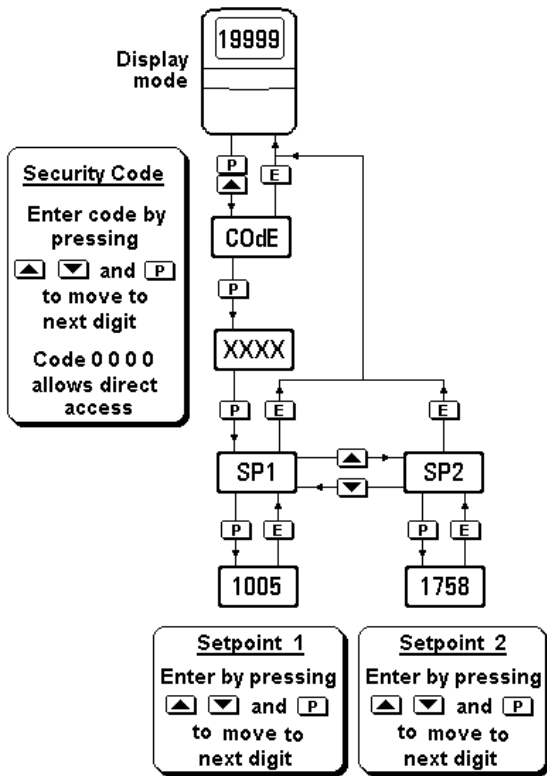


Fig 12 Setpoint adjustment from the display mode

To adjust an alarm setpoint select 'SP1' or 'SP2' and press *P* which will reveal the current setting. Each digit of the setpoint may be adjusted using the *Up* and *Down* push-buttons, and the *P* button to move to the next digit. When the required setpoint has been entered, pressing *E* will return the display to the 'SP1' or 'SP2' prompt from which the other setpoint may be selected, or the indicator may be returned to the display mode by pressing *E* again.

Direct access to the alarm setpoints is only available when the menu is enabled - see section 9.2.11

### 9.3 Lineariser

The indicator can be supplied with a sixteen point lineariser which may be adjusted to compensate for almost any non linear variable. For example, a level signal from a horizontal cylindrical tank may be linearised by the indicator to display the tank contents in linear volumetric units.

The addition of linearising software does not affect the intrinsic safety of the indicator.

Fig 13 shows a typical linearising characteristic. Up to sixteen break-points may be programmed to occur at any input current between 4 and 20mA. The slope between adjacent break-points may be set anywhere between -1250 and +1250 display counts per milliamp. Greater slopes may be programmed, but the indicator performance will be degraded. A linear characteristic can be obtained by programming just two points, one at 4mA and the other at 20mA.

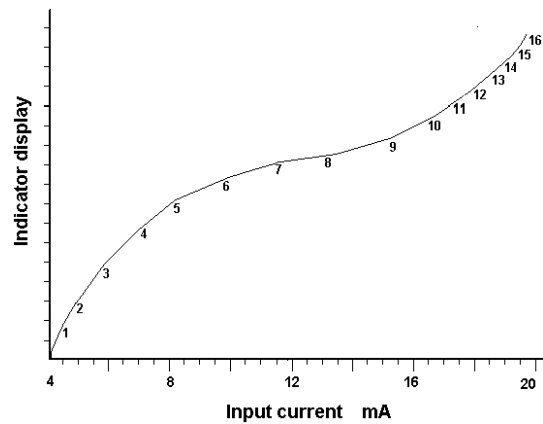


Fig 13 Typical indicator characteristic

The lineariser software does not change the main programme menu, but the 'CAL' and 'SET' functions are extended as shown in Fig 14. As with a linear indicator, calibration may be performed with an external calibrator using the 'CAL' function, or from the internal references using the 'Set' function.

#### 9.3.1 Calibration using an external current source

This method allows direct calibration with a current source, and is preferred when traceability is required. If the exact system non-linearity is unknown, this method also allows direct calibration from the variable to be displayed. e.g. The output from a level sensor in an irregular tank may be displayed in linear volumetric units by filling the tank with known incremental volumes and calibrating the indicator to display the sum of the increments at each break-point.

The number of break-points required should first be entered using the 'Add' and 'dEL' functions. In both these functions the indicator initially displays the current break-point and the total number of break-points being used. e.g.

<b>5</b>	<b>13</b>
current break-point	total number of break-points

<b>Display</b>	<b>Description of function</b>
----------------	--------------------------------

- |              |   |
|--------------|---|
| <b>'Add'</b> | <p><b>Add a break-point</b><br/>Adds a new break-point before the displayed break-point. The calibration of existing break-points is not changed, but the identification number of all subsequent break-points is increased by one.</p>       |
| <b>'dEL'</b> | <p><b>Remove a break-point</b><br/>Removes the displayed break-point and joins the preceding break-point to the following break-point with a straight line. The identification number of all subsequent break-points is decreased by one.</p> |

To add a break-point select 'CAL' from the main menu and press *P* to enter the 'Add' function; press *P* again to reveal the current and total number of break-points. Each subsequent operation of the *P* push-button will introduce an additional break-point. When adding a break-point to a calibrated indicator, the insertion position can be selected using the *Up* and *Down* push-buttons.

The delete break-point function 'dEL' operates in a similar manner to the 'Add' function described above.

When the required number of break-points has been entered, return to the sub-menu by pressing *E*. The indicator will display 'Add' or 'dEL' depending upon the last function used. Each break-point can now be programmed.

Select 'PtS' from the sub-menu and press *P* which will select the first break-point '0 n', where n is the total number of break-points entered. The selected break-point can be changed using the *Up* and *Down* buttons. When the required break-point has been selected press *P*. Set the indicator input current to the exact value at which the break-point is to occur, and adjust the indicator display using the *Up* and *Down* buttons and *P* to move between digits.

When the required display has been set, press *E* to enter the information and return to the sub-menu from which another break-point can be selected.

Repeat this procedure for each break-point, and then return to the main menu by pressing *E* twice.

### 9.3.2 Calibration using internal references

This function enables the break-points to be adjusted without the need for an accurate external current source. Throughout calibration the indicator input current may be any value between 4 and 20mA.

The accuracy of this method depends upon the accuracy of the internal references which should be calibrated periodically against a traceable external current source with a resolution of at least 0.4µA. See section 6.7.2

The number of break-points required should first be entered using the Add and dEL functions. In both these functions the indicator initially displays the current break-point and the total number of break-points being used. e.g.

<b>5</b>	<b>13</b>
current break-point	total number of break-points

<b>Display</b>	<b>Description of function</b>
----------------	--------------------------------

- |              |   |
|--------------|---|
| <b>'Add'</b> | <p><b>Add a break-point</b><br/>Adds a new break-point before the displayed break-point. The calibration of existing break-points is not changed, but the identification number of subsequent break-points is increased by one.</p> |
| <b>'dEL'</b> | <p><b>Remove a break-point</b><br/>Removes the displayed break-point and joins the preceding break-point to the following break-point with a straight line. The identification of subsequent break-points is decreased by one.</p>  |

<b>Display</b>	<b>Description of function</b>
<b>'InPut'</b>	<p><b>Defines the current at which break-point occurs</b></p> <p>Enables the required current at each break-point to be defined without having to input an accurate input current to the indicator.</p>
<b>'diSP'</b>	<p><b>Defines display at break-point</b></p> <p>Enables the indicator display at each break-point to be defined.</p>

Select 'SEt' from the main menu and press *P* once to enter the 'Add' function, and again to reveal the current and total number of break-points. Each subsequent operation of the *P* push-button will introduce an additional break-point. When adding a break-point to a calibrated indicator, the insertion position can be selected using the *Up* and *Down* push-buttons.

The delete break-point function 'dEL' operates in a similar manner to the 'Add' function described above.

When the required number of break-points has been entered, return to the sub-menu by pressing *E*. The indicator will display 'Add' or 'dEL' depending upon the last function used. The required indicator display at each break-point can now be entered, followed by the input current at which each break-point occurs.

To enter the required display at any break-point select 'diSP' from the sub-menu and press *P* which will select the first break-point '0 n', where 'n' is the total number of break-points selected. The selected break-point can be changed using the *Up* and *Down* buttons. When the required break-point has been selected press *P* to reveal the existing display. Using the *Up* and *Down* buttons and *P* to move between digits set the revised display. Press *E* to return to the sub-menu from which another break-point can be selected. Repeat this procedure for all the break-point displays to be changed, and then return to the 'diSP' prompt in the sub-menu by pressing *E*.

To enter the input current at which each break-point occurs select 'InPut' from the sub-menu and press *P* which will select the first break-point '0 n'. The selected break-point can be changed using the *Up* and *Down* buttons. When the required break-point has been selected, press *P* to reveal the input current at which the break-point occurs. Using the *Up* and *Down* buttons and *P* to move between digits, set the revised input current in mA. Press *E* to return to the sub-menu from which another break-point can be selected.

Repeat this procedure for all the break-point input currents to be changed, and then return to the 'InPut' prompt in the sub-menu by pressing *E*.

#### **9.4 Tare function**

The tare function is a factory fitted software accessory, primarily intended for use with weighing systems.

When the tare software is installed, pushing and holding the *P* button for more than 3 seconds sets the indicator display to zero irrespective of the input current, and activates the tare annunciator, an arrow on the top left hand corner of the display. Subsequent operation of the *P* push-button for less than 3 seconds will toggle the indicator between the normal gross display and the net display with the tare annunciator activated.

The tare function allows an operator to quickly zero the indicator display at any input current so that subsequent readings only show the change in input since the *P* push-button was operated. For example when used with a weighing system, it allows the weight of a container to be automatically subtracted from the total gross weight so that only the net weight of the contents is displayed.

#### **9.5 Display backlight**

The BA324D may be supplied with two different backlights. The loop powered backlight produces green background illumination enabling the display to be read at night and in poor lighting conditions. No additional power supply, IS interface or field wiring are required, but the indicator voltage drop is increased. Alternatively, the separately powered backlight has a bright orange output which enhances daylight viewing, but an additional IS interface and field wiring are required.

##### **9.5.1 Separately powered backlight**

The separately powered backlight is segregated from the measuring circuit and has been certified as a separate intrinsically safe circuit, but it does not comply with the requirements for simple apparatus.

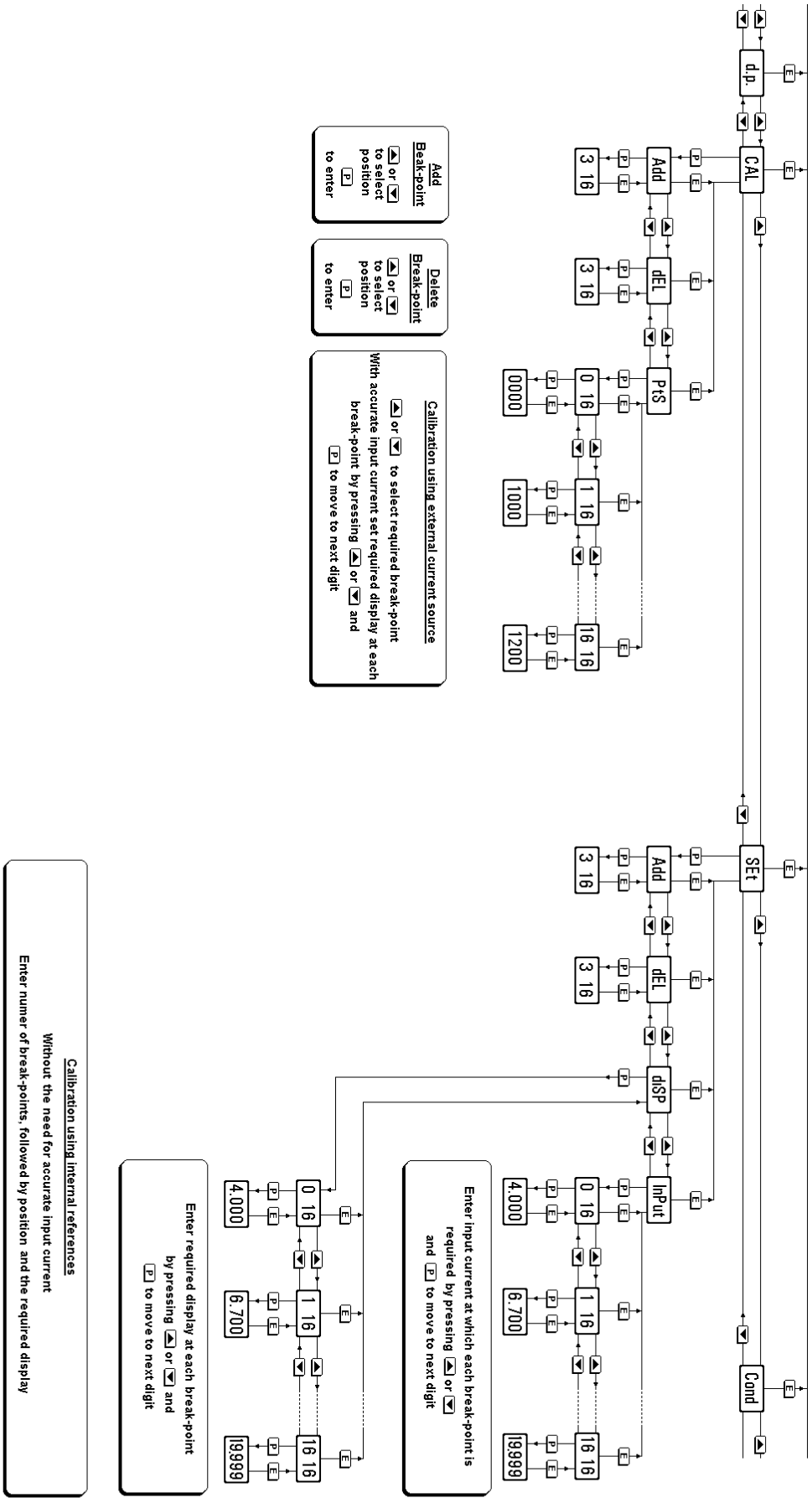


Fig 14 Lineariser programme structure



The backlight must be powered from the safe area via a Zener barrier or galvanic isolator as shown in Fig 15. Any certified device may be used, providing the output parameters do not exceed:

Uo	=	28V dc
Io	=	159mA
Po	=	0.8W

The EC-Type Examination Certificate specifies the maximum equivalent capacitance and inductance between terminals 12 and 13:

Ci	=	40nF
Li	=	20µH

To determine the maximum permitted cable parameters, these figures should be subtracted from the maximum permitted cable capacitance and inductance specified by the certificate for the Zener barrier or galvanic isolator powering the backlight.

For guidance, ITS System Certificates Ex99E2006 and 2007 have been issued which list some of the devices which may be used.

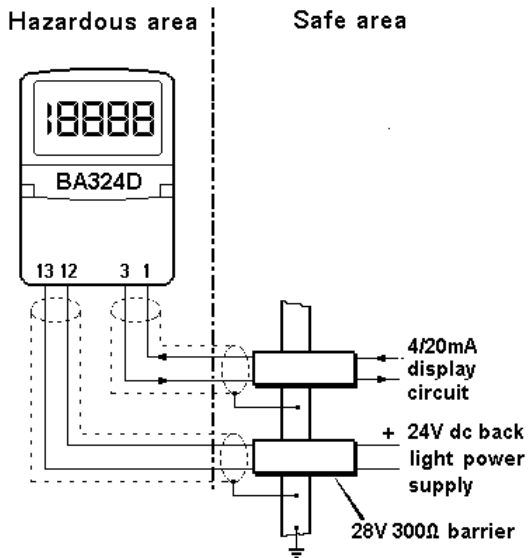


Fig 15 Separately powered backlight

The display brilliance depends upon the current flowing through the backlight. This is determined by the supply voltage and the end-to-end resistance of the Zener barrier or output resistance of the galvanic isolator. Brilliance will not be significantly reduced until the current falls below 20mA.

$$\text{Backlight current} = \frac{V_{\text{supply}} - 18}{\text{End-to-end resistance of barrier}\#}$$

# or output resistance of galvanic isolator.

**9.5.2 Loop powered backlight**

This backlight is connected in series with the 4/20mA measuring circuit so that like the BA324D indicator it is powered by the 4/20mA signal. This eliminates the need for a separate Zener barrier or galvanic isolator and associated wiring for the backlight, thus significantly reducing the installation costs.

Fig 16 shows the BA324D terminal wiring. Any Zener barrier or galvanic isolator certified EEx ia IIC by an EEC approved certification body may be used, providing the output parameters do not exceed:

Uo	=	30V dc
Io	=	200mA
Po	=	0.85W

For guidance ITS System Certificates Ex02E2031 and 2032 have been issued which list some of the devices which may be used.

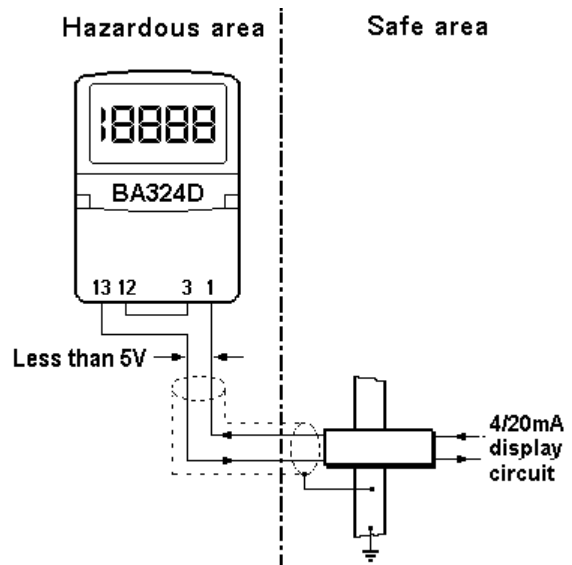


Fig 16 Loop powered backlight

Connecting the backlight in series with the indicator increases the total voltage drop in the 4/20mA loop from 1.1V to 5.0V.

**9.6 External switches**

For applications requiring frequent access to the programme menus the BA324D can be supplied with an external membrane keypad. These switches, which maintain the IP66 integrity, allow all functions to be controlled without removing either of the enclosure covers.

### **9.7 Pipe mounting kits**

Two pipe mounting kits are available for securing the BA324D to a horizontal or vertical pipe.

BA392D Stainless steel bracket secured by two worm drive hose clips. Will clamp to any pipe with outside diameter between 60 and 80mm.

BA393 Heavy duty stainless steel bracket secured by a single 'V' bolt. Will clamp to any pipe with an outside diameter between 40 and 80mm.

## Appendix 1

### FM approval for use in USA and cFM Approval for use in Canada

#### A1.0 Factory Mutual Approval

For installations in the USA the BA324D and accessories have FM and cFM intrinsic safety, Class I, II and III, Divisions 1 and 2; Class I, Zone 0 approval. They also have FM and cFM nonincendive approval for Class I, II and III, Division 2 and Class I, Zone 2.

US installations must comply with the BEKA associates control drawing CI320-27, ANSI/ISA RP12.6 and the National Electrical Code ANSI/NFPA70.

Canadian installations must comply with the BEKA associates control drawing CI320-27, and the Canadian Electrical Code C22.2

All the intrinsically safe circuits shown in the instruction manual may be used for installations in the USA and Canada, providing the Zener barriers and galvanic isolators have the appropriate approval with the specified entity parameters.

#### A1.1 4/20mA input in intrinsically safe circuit

The BA324D has been evaluated under the entity concept, and may be connected in series with any intrinsically safe circuit having output parameters equal to or less than:

$$\begin{aligned} V_{oc}, V_t &= 32V \\ I_{sc}, I_t &= 200mA \\ P_o &= 1.2W \end{aligned}$$

The 4/20mA input terminals have a maximum equivalent capacitance and inductance of:

$$\begin{aligned} C_i &= 0.02\mu F \\ L_i &= 0.01mH \end{aligned}$$

These figures must be subtracted from the maximum permissible cable capacitance and inductance allowed for the Zener barrier or galvanic isolator powering the loop into which the indicator is installed.

See Figs 2 and 3.

#### A1.2 4/20mA input in nonincendive circuit

The BA324D is also Factory Mutual approved as nonincendive for Class I, II and III Division 2 locations, which allows it to be installed in Division 2 without the need for Zener barriers or galvanic isolators. The maximum supply voltage must be

less than 32V. The wiring must be nonincendive or 'Division 2 suitable'.

#### A1.3 Classes, Divisions, Gas Groups and Temperature rating

The BA324D has a T4 temperature rating at a maximum ambient temperature of 60°C. It has been approved by FM for installation in the following Divisions and Gas Groups:

Intrinsic Safety		Nonincendive	
Division 1 or 2		Division 2	
Class I	Group A & B Group C Group D	Class I	Group A & B Group C Group D
Class II	Groups E, F & G	Class II	Group F & G
Class III		Class III	
Zone 0, 1 or 2		Zone 2	
Class I	Group IIC Group IIB Group IIA	Class I	Group IIC Group IIB Group IIA

### Accessories

#### A2.0 Alarms

The FM approval allows the BA324D to be fitted with an alarm card which contains two totally independent alarms each with a single pole solid state output.

#### A2.1 Intrinsic safety

Each alarm has a galvanically isolated single pole output which may be connected to any intrinsically safe circuit having entity output parameters equal to or less than:

$$\begin{aligned} V_{oc}, V_t &= 32V \\ I_{sc}, I_t &= 159mA \\ P_o &= 1.2W \end{aligned}$$

Each of the alarm outputs has a maximum equivalent capacitance and inductance of:

$$\begin{aligned} C_i &= 0.04\mu F \\ L_i &= 0.02mH \end{aligned}$$

These figures must be subtracted from the maximum permissible cable capacitance and inductance allowed for the Zener barrier or galvanic isolator connected to the alarm output.

See Figs 8, 9 and 10.

### A2.2 Nonincendive applications

For nonincendive applications a Zener barrier or galvanic isolator is not required. Each alarm output may switch any dc circuit providing the voltage does not exceed 32V and the current is less than 250mA. The wiring must be nonincendive or 'Division 2 suitable'.

### A3.0 Display backlights

The FM approval allows the BA324D to be supplied with two different backlights. The loop powered backlight produces green background illumination enabling the display to be read at night and in poor lighting conditions. No additional power supply, IS interface or field wiring are required, but the indicator voltage drop is increased. Alternatively, the separately powered backlight has a bright orange output which enhances daylight viewing, but an additional IS interface and field wiring are required.

#### A3.1.1 Separately powered backlight

The separately powered backlight is segregated from the measuring circuit and has been approved as a separate intrinsically safe circuit under the entity concept. The backlight may be powered from any FM certified associated apparatus such as a Zener barrier or galvanic isolator having output parameters equal to or less than:

$$\begin{aligned} V_{oc}, V_t &= 32V \\ I_{sc}, I_t &= 159mA \\ P_o &= 1.2W \end{aligned}$$

The backlight terminals have a maximum equivalent capacitance and inductance of:

$$\begin{aligned} C_i &= 0.03\mu F \\ L_i &= 0.01mH \end{aligned}$$

These figures must be subtracted from the maximum permissible cable capacitance and inductance allowed for the Zener barrier or galvanic isolator powering the backlight.

Segregation between the backlight and the measuring circuits should be maintained by following the wiring methods recommended in ANSI/NFPA70 article 504.

See Fig 15.

### A3.1.2 Nonincendive applications

For nonincendive applications a Zener barrier or galvanic isolator is not required. The backlight may be powered directly from a dc supply providing the voltage does not exceed 32V. The wiring must be nonincendive or 'Division 2 suitable'.

#### A3.2.1 Loop powered backlight

This backlight is connected in series with the 4/20mA measuring circuit so that like the BA324D indicator it is powered by the 4/20mA signal. This eliminates the need for a separate Zener barrier or galvanic isolator and associated wiring for the backlight, thus significantly reducing the installation costs, but it increases the total voltage drop in the 4/20mA loop from 1.1V to 5.0V

See Fig 16.

Any FM certified Zener barrier or galvanic isolator may be used, providing the output parameters do not exceed:

$$\begin{aligned} V_{oc}, V_t &= 32V \text{ dc} \\ I_{sc}, I_t &= 200mA \\ P_o &= 1.2W \end{aligned}$$

The indicator and backlight terminals have a combined maximum equivalent capacitance and inductance of:

$$\begin{aligned} C_i &= 0.05\mu F \\ L_i &= 0.02mH \end{aligned}$$

These figures must be subtracted from the maximum permissible cable capacitance and inductance allowed for the Zener barrier or galvanic isolator powering the indicator and Backlight.

#### A3.2.2 Nonincendive applications

For nonincendive installations no barrier or isolator is required, but the maximum supply voltage to the combined indicator and backlight must be less than 32V. Wiring must be nonincendive or 'Division 2 suitable'.

## Appendix 2 ATEX dust certification

### A2.0 ATEX dust certification

In addition to ATEX certification permitting installation in explosive gas atmospheres which is described in the main section of this instruction manual, the BA324D is available ATEX certified for use in the presence of combustible dusts. If ATEX dust certification is required it must be specified when the BA324D indicator is purchased.

### WARNING

**Before installing a BA324D indicator in the presence of a combustible dust, ensure that the certification information label which is located on the top of the instrument specifies dust certification - see section A2.2**

### A2.1 Zones and Maximum Surface Temperature

The BA324D has been ATEX certified as Group II, Category 1 GD apparatus Tamb = -20 to 60°C, with a Maximum Surface Temperature of 80°C. When installed as specified by EN 61241-14 'Electrical apparatus for use in the presence of combustible dust, Part 14 Selection & installation' the indicator may be installed in:

- Zone 20 explosive atmosphere in the form of a cloud of combustible dust in air is continuously present, or for long periods or frequently.
- Zone 21 explosive atmosphere in the form of a cloud of combustible dust in air is likely to occur occasionally in normal operation.
- Zone 22 explosive atmosphere in the form of a cloud of combustible dust in air is not likely to occur in normal operation, but if it does occur, will only persist for a short period.

Be used with dusts having a Minimum Ignition Temperature of:

Dust cloud	120°C
Dust layer on BA324D up to 5mm thick	155°C
Dust layer on BA324D over 5mm thick.	Refer to EN 61241-14

At an ambient temperature between -20 and +60°C

### A2.2 Certification Label Information

The certification label is fitted in a recess on the top outer surface of the enclosure. It shows the ATEX dust certification information including the maximum surface temperature and ingress protection, plus the ATEX gas certification information. Non European information may also be shown.

BA324D 4½ Digit Indicator	
CE 0359 Ex II 1 GD	T80°C Tamb = -20°C to +60°C IP66 EEx ia IIC T5 ITS99ATEX2002
Year of manufacture shown within terminal compartment	
BEKA associates Ltd Hitchin England <a href="http://www.beka.co.uk">www.beka.co.uk</a>	

The instrument serial number and date of manufacture are recorded on a separate label inside the terminal compartment.

### A2.3 Calibration & maintenance

The ATEX dust certification relies on the indicator enclosure being dust-tight. Therefore the control and terminal covers should only be removed when dust can not enter the instrument enclosure. Before replacing the control and terminal covers ensure that the sealing gaskets are undamaged and are free from foreign bodies.

## Appendix 3 IECEX certification

### A3.0 The IECEX Certification Scheme

IECEX is a global certification scheme for explosion protected products which aims to harmonise international certification standards.

For additional information about the IECEX certification scheme and to view the BEKA associate certificates, please visit [www.iecex.com](http://www.iecex.com)

### A3.1 IECEX Certificate of Conformity

The BA324D loop powered indicator has been issued with an IECEX Certificate of Conformity number IECEX ITS 05.0005 which specifies the following certification codes and marking:

For gas	Ex ia IIC T5 Ta = -40°C to 60 °C
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For gas & dust	Ex ia IIC T5 DIP A21 TA 80 °C IP66 Ta = -20°C to 60 °C
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The specified intrinsic safety parameters are identical to the ATEX parameters.

The IECEX certificate may be downloaded from [www.beka.co.uk](http://www.beka.co.uk), [www.iecex.com](http://www.iecex.com) or requested from the BEKA sales office.

### A3.2 Versions of the BA324D

All versions of the BA324D indicator have IECEX certification. This includes:

#### ATEX version for use in gas atmospheres.

IECEX code	Ex ia IIC T5 Ta = -40°C to 60 °C
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#### ATEX version for use in gas and dust atmospheres.

IECEX code	Ex ia IIC T5 DIP A21 TA 80 °C IP66 Ta = -20°C to 60 °C
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### Factory Mutual Approved version

IECEX code	Ex ia IIC T5 Ta = -40°C to 60 °C
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### A3.3 Installation

As the IECEX and ATEX certifications specify identical safety parameters and installation requirements for both are defined by IEC 60079-14, the ATEX installation requirements specified in this manual may also be used for IECEX installations in gas atmospheres. The local code of practice should also be consulted.