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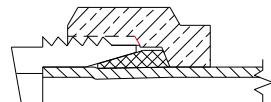
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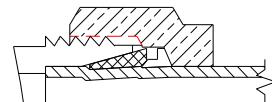
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**This warranty is void if the product is installed using single or double metal ferrule compression type vacuum fittings, shown below. These fittings are commonly tightened incorrectly, causing damage to the pressure sensor.**

Single Ferrule



Double Ferrule



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## Pressure Transducer Safety Information

### **Symbols Used in This Instruction Manual**

Definitions of WARNING, CAUTION, and NOTE messages used throughout the manual.

#### **Warning**



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The **WARNING** sign denotes a hazard to personnel. It calls attention to a procedure, practice, condition, or the like, which, if not correctly performed or adhered to, could result in injury to personnel.

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#### **Caution**



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The **CAUTION** sign denotes a hazard to equipment. It calls attention to an operating procedure, practice, or the like, which, if not correctly performed or adhered to, could result in damage to or destruction of all or part of the product.

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#### **Note**



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The **NOTE** sign denotes important information. It calls attention to a procedure, practice, condition, or the like, which is essential to highlight.

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## Symbols Found on the Unit

The following table describes symbols that may be found on the unit.

Definition of Symbols Found on the Unit			
			Alternating current IEC 417, No.5032
			Three phase alternating current IEC 617-2 No.020206
Caution, refer to accompanying documents ISO 3864, No.B.3.1	Caution, risk of electric shock ISO 3864, No.B.3.6	Caution, hot surface IEC 417, No.5041	

Table 1: Definition of Symbols Found on the Unit

## **Safety Procedures and Precautions**

**Observe the following general safety precautions during all phases of operation of this instrument. Failure to comply with these precautions or with specific warnings elsewhere in this manual violates safety standards of intended use of the instrument and may impair the protection provided by the equipment. MKS Instruments, Inc. assumes no liability for the customer's failure to comply with these requirements.**

### **DO NOT SUBSTITUTE PARTS OR MODIFY INSTRUMENT**

Do not install substitute parts or perform any unauthorized modification to the instrument. Return the instrument to an MKS Calibration and Service Center for service and repair to ensure that all safety features are maintained.

### **SERVICE BY QUALIFIED PERSONNEL ONLY**

Operating personnel must not attempt component replacement and internal adjustments. Any service must be made by qualified service personnel only.

### **USE CAUTION WHEN OPERATING WITH HAZARDOUS MATERIALS**

If hazardous materials are used, users must take responsibility to observe the proper safety precautions, completely purge the instrument when necessary, and ensure that the material used is compatible with the materials in this product, including any sealing materials.

### **PURGE THE INSTRUMENT**

After installing the unit, or before removing it from a system, purge the unit completely with a clean, dry gas to eliminate all traces of the previously used flow material.

### **USE PROPER PROCEDURES WHEN PURGING**

This instrument must be purged under a ventilation hood, and gloves must be worn for protection.

### **DO NOT OPERATE IN AN EXPLOSIVE ENVIRONMENT**

To avoid explosion, do not operate this product in an explosive environment unless it has been specifically certified for such operation.

### **USE PROPER FITTINGS AND TIGHTENING PROCEDURES**

All instrument fittings must be consistent with instrument specifications, and compatible with the intended use of the instrument. Assemble and tighten fittings according to manufacturer's directions.

**CHECK FOR LEAK-TIGHT FITTINGS**

Carefully check all vacuum component connections to ensure leak-tight installation.

**OPERATE AT SAFE INLET PRESSURES**

Never operate at pressures higher than the rated maximum pressure (refer to the product specifications for the maximum allowable pressure).

**INSTALL A SUITABLE BURST DISC**

When operating from a pressurized gas source, install a suitable burst disc in the vacuum system to prevent system explosion should the system pressure rise.

**KEEP THE UNIT FREE OF CONTAMINANTS**

Do not allow contaminants to enter the unit before or during use. Contamination such as dust, dirt, lint, glass chips, and metal chips may permanently damage the unit or contaminate the process.

**ALLOW PROPER WARM UP TIME FOR TEMPERATURE-CONTROLLED UNITS**

Temperature-controlled units will only meet specifications when sufficient time is allowed for the unit to meet, and stabilize at, the designed operating temperature. Do not zero or calibrate the unit until the warm up is complete.

## Sicherheitshinweise für den Druckmeßumformer

### In dieser Betriebsanleitung vorkommende Symbole

Bedeutung der mit **WARNUNG!**, **VORSICHT!** und **HINWEIS** gekennzeichneten Absätze in dieser Betriebsanleitung.

#### **Warnung!**



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**Das Symbol **WARNUNG!** weist auf eine Gefahr für das Bedienpersonal hin. Es macht auf einen Arbeitsablauf, eine Arbeitsweise, einen Zustand oder eine sonstige Gegebenheit aufmerksam, deren unsachgemäße Ausführung bzw. ungenügende Berücksichtigung zu Verletzungen führen kann.**

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#### **Vorsicht!**



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**Das Symbol **VORSICHT!** weist auf eine Gefahr für das Gerät hin. Es macht auf einen Bedienungsablauf, eine Arbeitsweise oder eine sonstige Gegebenheit aufmerksam, deren unsachgemäße Ausführung bzw. ungenügende Berücksichtigung zu einer Beschädigung oder Zerstörung des Gerätes oder von Teilen des Gerätes führen kann.**

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#### **Hinweis**



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**Das Symbol **HINWEIS** macht auf wichtige Informationen bezüglich eines Arbeitsablaufs, einer Arbeitsweise, eines Zustands oder einer sonstige Gegebenheit aufmerksam.**

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## **Erklärung der am Gerät angebrachten Symbole**

Nachstehender Tabelle sind die Bedeutungen der Symbole zu entnehmen, die am Gerät angebracht sein können.

<b>Bedeutung der am Gerät angebrachten Symbole</b>			
Ein (Energie) IEC 417, No.5007	Aus (Energie) IEC 417, No.5008	Erdanschluß IEC 417, No.5017	Schutzleiteranschluß IEC 417, No.5019
Masseanschluß IEC 417, No.5020	Equipotential- anschluß IEC 417, No.5021	Gleichstrom IEC 417, No.5031	Wechselstrom IEC 417, No.5032
Gleich- oder Wechselstrom IEC 417, No.5033-a	Durchgängige doppelte oder verstärkte Isolierung IEC 417, No.5172-a	Dreileiter- Wechselstrom (Drehstrom) IEC 617-2, No.020206	
Warnung vor einer Gefahrenstelle (Achtung, Dokumen- tation beachten) ISO 3864, No.B.3.1	Warnung vor gefährlicher elektrischer Spannung ISO 3864, No.B.3.6	Höhere Temperatur an leicht zugänglichen Teilen IEC 417, No.5041	

Tabelle 2: Bedeutung der am Gerät angebrachten Symbole

## **Sicherheitsvorschriften und Vorsichtsmaßnahmen**

**Folgende allgemeine Sicherheitsvorschriften sind während allen Betriebsphasen dieses Gerätes zu befolgen. Eine Mißachtung der Sicherheitsvorschriften und sonstiger Warnhinweise in dieser Betriebsanleitung verletzt die für dieses Gerät und seine Bedienung geltenden Sicherheitsstandards, und kann die Schutzvorrichtungen an diesem Gerät wirkungslos machen. MKS Instruments, Inc. haftet nicht für Mißachtung dieser Sicherheitsvorschriften seitens des Kunden.**

### **Niemals Teile austauschen oder Änderungen am Gerät vornehmen!**

Ersetzen Sie keine Teile mit baugleichen oder ähnlichen Teilen, und nehmen Sie keine eigenmächtigen Änderungen am Gerät vor. Schicken Sie das Gerät zwecks Wartung und Reparatur an den MKS-Kalibrierungs- und -Kundendienst ein. Nur so wird sichergestellt, daß alle Schutzvorrichtungen voll funktionsfähig bleiben.

### **Wartung nur durch qualifizierte Fachleute!**

Das Auswechseln von Komponenten und das Vornehmen von internen Einstellungen darf nur von qualifizierten Fachleuten durchgeführt werden, niemals vom Bedienpersonal.

### **Vorsicht beim Arbeiten mit gefährlichen Stoffen!**

Wenn gefährliche Stoffe verwendet werden, muß der Bediener die entsprechenden Sicherheitsvorschriften genauestens einhalten, das Gerät, falls erforderlich, vollständig spülen, sowie sicherstellen, daß der Gefahrstoff die am Gerät verwendeten Materialien, insbesondere Dichtungen, nicht angreift.

### **Spülen des Gerätes mit Gas!**

Nach dem Installieren oder vor dem Ausbau aus einem System muß das Gerät unter Einsatz eines reinen Trockengases vollständig gespült werden, um alle Rückstände des Vorgängermediums zu entfernen.

### **Anweisungen zum Spülen des Gerätes**

Das Gerät darf nur unter einer Ablufthaube gespült werden. Schutzhandschuhe sind zu tragen.

### **Gerät nicht zusammen mit explosiven Stoffen, Gasen oder Dämpfen benutzen!**

Um der Gefahr einer Explosion vorzubeugen, darf dieses Gerät niemals zusammen mit (oder in der Nähe von) explosiven Stoffen aller Art eingesetzt werden, sofern es nicht ausdrücklich für diesen Zweck zugelassen ist.

**Anweisungen zum Installieren der Armaturen!**

Alle Anschlußstücke und Armaturenteile müssen mit der Gerätespezifikation übereinstimmen, und mit dem geplanten Einsatz des Gerätes kompatibel sein. Der Einbau, insbesondere das Anziehen und Abdichten, muß gemäß den Anweisungen des Herstellers vorgenommen werden.

**Verbindungen auf Undichtigkeiten prüfen!**

Überprüfen Sie sorgfältig alle Verbindungen der Vakuumkomponenten auf undichte Stellen.

**Gerät nur unter zulässigen Anschlußdrücken betreiben!**

Betreiben Sie das Gerät niemals unter Drücken, die den maximal zulässigen Druck (siehe Produktspezifikationen) übersteigen.

**Geeignete Berstscheibe installieren!**

Wenn mit einer unter Druck stehenden Gasquelle gearbeitet wird, sollte eine geeignete Berstscheibe in das Vakuumsystem installiert werden, um eine Explosionsgefahr aufgrund von steigendem Systemdruck zu vermeiden.

**Verunreinigungen im Gerät vermeiden!**

Stellen Sie sicher, daß Verunreinigungen jeglicher Art weder vor dem Einsatz noch während des Betriebs in das Instrumenteninnere gelangen können. Staub- und Schmutzpartikel, Glassplitter oder Metallspäne können das Gerät dauerhaft beschädigen oder Prozeß und Meßwerte verfälschen.

**Bei Geräten mit Temperaturkontrolle korrekte Anwärmzeit einhalten!**

Temperaturkontrollierte Geräte arbeiten nur dann gemäß ihrer Spezifikation, wenn genügend Zeit zum Erreichen und Stabilisieren der Betriebstemperatur eingeräumt wird. Kalibrierungen und Nulleinstellungen sollten daher nur nach Abschluß des Anwärmvorgangs durchgeführt werden.

## Informations relatives à la sécurité pour le transducteur de pression

### Symboles utilisés dans ce manuel d'utilisation

Définitions des indications AVERTISSEMENT, ATTENTION, et REMARQUE utilisées dans ce manuel.

#### Avertissement



L'indication AVERTISSEMENT signale un danger pour le personnel. Elle attire l'attention sur une procédure, une pratique, une condition, ou toute autre situation présentant un risque d'accident pour le personnel, en cas d'exécution incorrecte ou de non respect des consignes.

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#### Attention



L'indication ATTENTION signale un danger pour l'appareil. Elle attire l'attention sur une procédure d'exploitation, une pratique, ou toute autre situation, présentant un risque d'endommagement ou de destruction d'une partie ou de la totalité de l'appareil, en cas d'exécution incorrecte ou de non respect des consignes.

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#### Remarque



L'indication REMARQUE signale une information importante. Elle attire l'attention sur une procédure, une pratique, une condition, ou toute autre situation, présentant un intérêt particulier.

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## **Symboles apparaissant sur l'unité**

Le tableau suivant décrit les symboles pouvant apparaître sur l'unité.

<b>Définition des symboles apparaissant sur l'unité</b>			
Marche (sous tension) IEC 417, No.5007	Arrêt (hors tension) IEC 417, No.5008	Terre (masse) IEC 417, No.5017	Terre de protection (masse) IEC 417, No.5019
Courant continu et alternatif IEC 417, No.5033-a			
Attention : se reporter à la documentation ISO 3864, No.B.3.1	Attention : risque de choc électrique ISO 3864, No.B.3.6	Attention : surface brûlante IEC 417, No.5041	

Tableau 3: Définition des symboles apparaissant sur l'unité

## **Mesures de sécurité et précautions**

**Prendre les précautions générales de sécurité suivantes pendant toutes les phases d'exploitation de cet appareil. Le non respect des ces précautions ou des avertissements contenus dans ce manuel constitue une violation des normes de sécurité relatives à l'utilisation de l'appareil et peut diminuer la protection fournie par l'appareil. MKS Instruments, Inc. n'assume aucune responsabilité concernant le non respect des consignes par les clients.**

### **PAS DE SUBSTITUTION DE PIÈCES OU DE MODIFICATION DE L'APPAREIL**

Ne pas installer des pièces de substitution ou effectuer des modifications non autorisées sur l'appareil. Renvoyer l'appareil à un centre de service et de calibrage MKS pour tout dépannage ou réparation afin de garantir le intégrité des dispositifs de sécurité.

### **DÉPANNAGE UNIQUEMENT PAR DU PERSONNEL QUALIFIÉ**

Le personnel d'exploitation ne doit pas essayer de remplacer des composants ou de faire des réglages internes. Tout dépannage doit être uniquement effectué par du personnel qualifié.

### **PRÉCAUTION EN CAS D'UTILISATION AVEC DES PRODUITS DANGEREUX**

Si des produits dangereux sont utilisés, l'utilisateur est responsable de la prise des mesures de précaution appropriées, de la purge complète de l'appareil quand cela est nécessaire, et de la garantie que les produits utilisés sont compatibles avec les composants de cet appareil, y compris les matériaux d'étanchéité.

### **PURGE DE L'APPAREIL**

Après l'installation de l'unité, ou avant son enlèvement d'un système, purger l'unité complètement avec un gaz propre et sec afin d'éliminer toute trace du produit de flux utilisé précédemment.

### **UTILISATION DES PROCÉDURES APPROPRIÉES POUR LA PURGE**

Cet appareil doit être purgé sous une hotte de ventilation, et il faut porter des gants de protection.

### **PAS D'EXPLOITATION DANS UN ENVIRONNEMENT EXPLOSIF**

Pour éviter toute explosion, ne pas utiliser cet appareil dans un environnement explosif, sauf en cas d'homologation spécifique pour une telle exploitation.

### **UTILISATION D'ÉQUIPEMENTS APPROPRIÉS ET PROCÉDURES DE SERRAGE**

Tous les équipements de l'appareil doivent être cohérents avec ses spécifications, et compatibles avec l'utilisation prévue de l'appareil. Assembler et serrer les équipements conformément aux directives du fabricant.

## **VÉRIFICATION DE L'ÉTANCHÉITÉ DES CONNEXIONS**

Vérifier attentivement toutes les connexions des composants pour le vide afin de garantir l'étanchéité de l'installation.

## **EXPLOITATION AVEC DES PRESSIONS D'ENTRÉE NON DANGEREUSES**

Ne jamais utiliser des pressions supérieures à la pression nominale maximum (se reporter aux spécifications de l'unité pour la pression maximum admissible).

## **INSTALLATION D'UN DISQUE D'ÉCHAPPEMENT ADAPTÉ**

En cas d'exploitation avec une source de gaz pressurisé, installer un disque d'échappement adapté dans le système à vide, afin d'éviter une explosion du système en cas d'augmentation de la pression.

## **MAINTIEN DE L'UNITÉ À L'ABRI DES CONTAMINATIONS**

Ne pas laisser des produits contaminants pénétrer dans l'unité avant ou pendant l'utilisation. Des produits contaminants tels que des poussières et des fragments de tissu, de glace et de métal peuvent endommager l'unité d'une manière permanente ou contaminer le processus.

## **RESPECT DU TEMPS D'ÉCHAUFFEMENT APPROPRIÉ POUR LES UNITÉS À TEMPÉRATURE CONTRÔLÉE**

Les unités à température contrôlée atteignent leurs spécifications uniquement quand on leur laisse un temps suffisant pour atteindre d'une manière stable la température d'exploitation. Ne pas remettre à zéro ou calibrer l'unité tant que l'échauffement n'est pas terminé.

## Medidas de seguridad del transductor de presión

### **Símbolos usados en este manual de instrucciones**

Definiciones de los mensajes de advertencia, precaución y de las notas usados en el manual.

#### **Advertencia**



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**El símbolo de advertencia indica la posibilidad de que se produzcan daños personales. Pone de relieve un procedimiento, práctica, estado, etc. que en caso de no realizarse u observarse correctamente puede causar daños personales.**

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#### **Precaución**



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**El símbolo de precaución indica la posibilidad de producir daños al equipo. Pone de relieve un procedimiento operativo, práctica, estado, etc. que en caso de no realizarse u observarse correctamente puede causar daños o la destrucción total o parcial del equipo.**

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#### **Nota**



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**El símbolo de notas indica información de importancia. Este símbolo pone de relieve un procedimiento, práctica o condición cuyo conocimiento es esencial destacar.**

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## Símbolos hallados en la unidad

La tabla siguiente contiene los símbolos que puede hallar en la unidad.

Definición de los símbolos hallados en la unidad			
Encendido (alimentación eléctrica) IEC 417, N° 5007	Apagado (alimentación eléctrica) IEC 417, N° 5008	Puesta a tierra IEC 417, N° 5017	Protección a tierra IEC 417, N° 5019
Corriente continua y alterna IEC 417, N° 5033-a	Equipo de clase II IEC 417, N° 5172-a	3~ Corriente alterna trifásica IEC 617-2, N° 020206	

Tabla 4: Definición de los símbolos hallados en la unidad

## **Procedimientos y precauciones de seguridad**

**Las precauciones generales de seguridad descritas a continuación deben observarse durante todas las etapas de funcionamiento del instrumento. La falta de cumplimiento de dichas precauciones o de las advertencias específicas a las que se hace referencia en el manual, constituye una violación de las normas de seguridad establecidas para el uso previsto del instrumento y podría anular la protección proporcionada por el equipo. Si el cliente no cumple dichas precauciones y advertencias, MKS Instruments, Inc. no asume responsabilidad legal alguna.**

### **NO UTILICE PIEZAS NO ORIGINALES O MODIFIQUE EL INSTRUMENTO**

No instale piezas que no sean originales ni modifique el instrumento sin autorización. Para asegurar el correcto funcionamiento de todos los dispositivos de seguridad, envíe el instrumento al Centro de servicio y calibración de MKS toda vez que sea necesario repararlo o efectuar tareas de mantenimiento.

### **LAS REPARACIONES DEBEN SER EFECTUADAS ÚNICAMENTE POR TÉCNICOS AUTORIZADOS**

Los operarios no deben intentar reemplazar los componentes o realizar tareas de ajuste en el interior del instrumento. Las tareas de mantenimiento o reparación deben ser realizadas únicamente por personal autorizado.

### **TENGA CUIDADO CUANDO TRABAJE CON MATERIALES TÓXICOS**

Cuando se utilicen materiales tóxicos, es responsabilidad de los operarios tomar las medidas de seguridad correspondientes, purgar totalmente el instrumento cuando sea necesario y comprobar que el material utilizado sea compatible con los materiales del instrumento e inclusive, con todos los materiales de sellado.

### **PURGUE EL INSTRUMENTO**

Una vez instalada la unidad o antes de retirarla del sistema, purge completamente la unidad con gas limpio y seco para eliminar todo resto de la sustancia líquida empleada anteriormente.

### **USE PROCEDIMIENTOS ADECUADOS PARA REALIZAR LA PURGA**

El instrumento debe purgarse debajo de una campana de ventilación y deben utilizarse guantes protectores.

### **NO HAGA FUNCIONAR EL INSTRUMENTO EN AMBIENTES CON RIESGO DE EXPLOSIÓN**

Para evitar que se produzcan explosiones, no haga funcionar este instrumento en un ambiente con riesgo de explosiones, excepto cuando el mismo haya sido certificado específicamente para tal uso.

**USE ACCESORIOS ADECUADOS Y REALICE CORRECTAMENTE LOS PROCEDIMIENTOS DE AJUSTE**

Todos los accesorios del instrumento deben cumplir las especificaciones del mismo y ser compatibles con el uso que se debe dar al instrumento. Arme y ajuste los accesorios de acuerdo con las instrucciones del fabricante.

**COMPRUEBE QUE LAS CONEXIONES SEAN A PRUEBA DE FUGAS**

Inspeccione cuidadosamente las conexiones de los componentes de vacío para comprobar que hayan sido instalados a prueba de fugas.

**HAGA FUNCIONAR EL INSTRUMENTO CON PRESIONES DE ENTRADA SEGURAS**

No haga funcionar nunca el instrumento con presiones superiores a la máxima presión nominal (en las especificaciones del instrumento hallará la presión máxima permitida).

**INSTALE UNA CÁPSULA DE SEGURIDAD ADECUADA**

Cuando el instrumento funcione con una fuente de gas presurizado, instale una cápsula de seguridad adecuada en el sistema de vacío para evitar que se produzcan explosiones cuando suba la presión del sistema.

**MANTENGA LA UNIDAD LIBRE DE CONTAMINANTES**

No permita el ingreso de contaminantes en la unidad antes o durante su uso. Los productos contaminantes tales como polvo, suciedad, pelusa, lascas de vidrio o virutas de metal pueden dañar irreparablemente la unidad o contaminar el proceso.

**CALIENTE ADECUADAMENTE LAS UNIDADES CONTROLADAS POR MEDIO DE TEMPERATURA**

Las unidades controladas por medio de temperatura funcionarán de acuerdo con las especificaciones sólo cuando se las caliente durante el tiempo suficiente para permitir que lleguen y se estabilicen a la temperatura de operación indicada. No calibre la unidad y no la ponga en cero hasta que finalice el procedimiento de calentamiento.



# Chapter One: General Information

## Introduction

**Note**

Some Baratron® products may not be exported to many end user countries without both US and local government export licenses under ECCN 2B230.

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The MKS Type 870B and 872B Micro-Baratron® Absolute Pressure Transducers are part of the MKS family of general purpose pressure transducers designed to provide accurate, reliable, and repeatable pressure measurements from 1000 Torr ( $\approx$ 20 psia) to 3000 psia. The 870B unit has a “single-ended” design (refer to Figure 1, page 25), and the 872B unit has a “flow-through” design (refer to Figure 3, page 27).

The 870B/872B unit, designed for ultraclean gas delivery applications, offers the proven technology of the Baratron transducers in a considerably smaller package. The sensor exposes only Inconel® and Incoloy® to the process, permitting use with corrosive, hazardous, or dirty gases and eliminating contamination of the process with transducer materials. Measurements are independent of gas composition. Using the latest single-sided, dual-electrode sensor design, coupled with a low impedance, fixed-frequency bridge signal conditioner, these instruments are capable of withstanding high overpressure conditions with minimal or no shifts in output over their range. The advanced bridge signal conditioning technology provides high accuracy and operation which is extremely temperature-stable at operating pressure.

The transducer provides an output signal that is proportional to pressure. The output, provided through a fixed cable with flying leads (with an optional attached connector) located on top of the unit, is either a DC voltage (0 to 10 V, 0 to 5 V) or mA current (4 to 20 mA). For a direct readout of the pressure measurement, a meter (analog or digital) is required.

The 870B/872B transducer requires a power supply of 12 VDC (minimum) to 36 VDC (maximum), regulated to  $\pm 5\%$ . The specific power supply required depends on the output configuration of the transducer (refer to *Power Requirements*, page 22, for more information). The unit is available with a variety of fittings, is capable of measuring pressure at ambient temperatures of 0° to 50° C (32° to 122° F), and has an uncertainty of 1% of reading. There are two environmental options available: as a standard unit for indoor use, or as a weather resistant NEMA 4/4X compliant unit for outdoor use. The 870B/872B transducer can be mounted in any position; it is fully functional regardless of its orientation.

Protection from RF interference and noisy electrical environments is increased by the use of a metal case, by internal design elements, and by the use of surge and ESD suppression networks and RFI filtering on all inputs and outputs. The 870B/872B transducer meets the electromagnetic testing required for the European CE Mark when used with an overall metal braided shielded cable, properly grounded at both ends. The 870B/872B transducer offers additional manufacturing advances that meet the requirements of ultraclean processing. Each transducer is manufactured in a Class 100 clean room environment and packaged in double sealed bags backfilled with clean, dry nitrogen gas. All wetted surfaces have less than a 5  $\mu$ inch Ra finish.

## **How This Manual is Organized**

This manual is designed to provide instructions on how to set up, install, and operate a Type 870B/872B unit.

**Before installing your Type 870B/872B unit in a system and/or operating it, carefully read and familiarize yourself with all precautionary notes in the *Safety Messages and Procedures* section at the front of this manual. In addition, observe and obey all WARNING and CAUTION notes provided throughout the manual.**

Chapter One, *General Information*, (this chapter) introduces the product and describes the organization of the manual.

Chapter Two, *Installation*, explains the environmental requirements and describes how to mount the instrument in your system.

Chapter Three, *Overview*, gives a brief description of the instrument and its functionality.

Chapter Four, *Operation*, describes how to use the instrument and explains all the functions and features.

Chapter Five, *Maintenance and Troubleshooting*, lists any maintenance required to keep the instrument in good working condition, and provides a checklist for reference should the instrument malfunction.

Appendix A, *Product Specifications*, lists the specifications of the instrument.

Appendix B, *Model Code Explanation*, describes the instrument's ordering code.

## **Customer Support**

Standard maintenance and repair services are available at all of our regional MKS Calibration and Service Centers, listed on the back cover. Should any difficulties arise in the use of your Type 870B/872B instrument, or to obtain information about companion products MKS offers, contact any authorized MKS Calibration and Service Center. If it is necessary to return the instrument to MKS, please obtain an RMA (Return Material Authorization) Number from the MKS Calibration and Service Center before shipping. The RMA Number expedites handling and ensures proper servicing of your instrument.

Please refer to the inside of the back cover of this manual for a list of MKS Calibration and Service Centers.

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### **Warning**



**All returns to MKS Instruments must be free of harmful, corrosive, radioactive, or toxic materials.**

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## Chapter Two: Installation

### **How To Unpack the Type 870B/872B Unit**

MKS has carefully packed the Type 870B/872B unit so that it will reach you in perfect operating order. Upon receiving the unit, however, you should check for defects, cracks, broken connectors, etc., to be certain that damage has not occurred during shipment.

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**Note**

*Do not discard any packing materials until you have completed your inspection and are sure the unit arrived safely.*

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If you find any damage, notify your carrier and MKS immediately. If it is necessary to return the unit to MKS, obtain an RMA (Return Material Authorization) Number from the MKS Service Center before shipping. Please refer to the inside of the back cover of this manual for a list of MKS Calibration and Service Centers.

### **Ultra-Clean Units**

The 870B/872B transducer is an ultra-clean unit that is assembled in a class 100 clean room environment. The unit is carefully purged with clean dry nitrogen and sealed to ensure maintenance of its particle free condition during shipment. It is very important to remove the bags according to clean room practices. To maintain at least a minimal level of clean room standards, follow the instructions below.

1. Remove the outer bag in an ante room (garmenting room) or transfer box.

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**Note**

*Do not allow this outer bag to enter the clean room.*

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2. Remove the inner bag in the clean room.

## Unpacking Checklist

### *Standard Equipment:*

- Type 870B/872B Unit
- Type 870B/872B Instruction Manual (this book)

### *Optional Equipment:*

- Electrical Connector Accessories Kit (includes mating connectors for the connector option, should you choose to make your own interface cable):

870A-K1  
872A-K1

- Interface cables (refer to Table 6, page 23)
- MKS Local Display Module (Type LDM)

## Product Location and Requirements

### Operating Temperature

The acceptable operating temperature for the 870B/872B unit is 0° to 50° C (32° to 122° F).

### Power Requirements

The 870B/872B transducer requires a minimum power supply of 12 VDC and a maximum power supply of 36 VDC, regulated to ±5%. The specific input power required depends on the output configuration of your unit, as listed in Table 5. The power is introduced to the 870B/872B transducer through the connector attached to the cable on top of the unit.

Power Requirements		
Output Configuration	Output Signal	Input Power Requirement
Voltage	0 to 5 V	+12 VDC to +32 VDC (regulated if below 13 VDC) @ 10 mA maximum
Voltage	0 to 10 V	+13 VDC to +32 VDC @ 10 mA maximum. Models with the integrated local display require 35 mA current.
Current	4 to 20 mA	+13 VDC to +36 VDC excitation (32 VDC maximum across the transducer)

Table 5: Power Requirements

## Interface Cables

*As of July 20, 2009, most products shipped to the European Community must comply with the EMC Directive 2004/108/EC, which covers radio frequency emissions and immunity tests. In addition, as of January 1, 1997, some products shipped to the European Community must also comply with the Product Safety Directive 92/59/EC and Low Voltage Directive 73/23/EC, which cover general safety practices for design and workmanship. MKS products that meet these requirements are identified by application of the CE Mark.*

To ensure compliance with EMC Directive 2004/108/EC, an overall metal braided shielded cable, properly grounded at both ends, is required during use. No additional installation requirements are necessary to ensure compliance with Directives 92/59/EC and 73/23/EC.

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**Note**


1. Overall metal braided shielded cables, properly grounded at both ends, are required to meet CE specifications and are recommended if the environment contains high EMI/RFI noise.
  2. To order metal braided shielded cables, add an “S” after the cable type designation. For example, to order a standard connection cable to connect the 870B/872B unit to a 146 unit using a cable with a Bendix connector, use part number CB700-3-10; for a shielded cable, use part number CB700S-3-10.
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The 870B/872B transducer is compatible with most pressure, flow, flow ratio, and throttling valve controllers. Interface cables to connect the 870B/872B unit to a MKS controller or power supply/readout can be purchased from MKS (refer to Table 6), or cables can be made provided that the appropriate specifications contained herein are maintained. For cables connecting to non-MKS products, MKS can provide normal shielding or braided shielded cable assemblies in a nominal 6' (1.8 m) or 10' (3 m) length, terminating in flying leads (pigtail) fashion at both ends.

Interface Cables			
To Connect the 870B/872B Unit To...	Connector	Use the MKS Cable...	
		Standard	Shielded
146, 186, 660	Bendix	CB700-3-10	CB700S-3-10
	9-pin Type “D”	CB700-1-10	CB700S-1-10
	15-pin Type “D”	CB700-5-10	CB700S-5-10
PDR-C-1C/2C	Bendix	CB700-4-10	CB700S-4-10
	9-pin Type “D”	CB700-2-10	CB700S-2-10
	15-pin Type “D”	CB700-6-10	CB700S-6-10

Table 6: Interface Cables

## Generic Shielded Cables

MKS offers a full line of cables for all MKS equipment. Should you choose to manufacture your own cables, follow the guidelines listed below:

1. The cable must have an overall metal *braided* shield, covering all wires. Neither aluminum foil nor spiral shielding will be as effective; using either may nullify regulatory compliance.
2. The connectors must have a metal case which has direct contact to the cable's shield on the whole circumference of the cable. The inductance of a flying lead or wire from the shield to the connector will seriously degrade the shield's effectiveness. The shield should be grounded to the connector before its internal wires exit.
3. With very few exceptions, the connector(s) must make good contact to the device's case (ground). "Good contact" is about 0.01 ohms; and the ground should surround all wires. Contact to ground at just one point may not suffice.
4. For shielded cables with flying leads at one or both ends; it is important at each such end, to ground the shield *before* the wires exit. Make this ground with absolute minimum length. (A  $\frac{1}{4}$  inch piece of #22 wire may be undesirably long since it has approximately 5 nH of inductance, equivalent to 31 ohms at 1000 MHz). After picking up the braid's ground, keep wires and braid flat against the case. With very few exceptions, grounded metal covers are not required over terminal strips. If one is required, it will be stated in the Declaration of Conformity or in the instruction manual.
5. In selecting the appropriate type and wire size for cables, consider:
  - A. The voltage ratings;
  - B. The cumulative  $I^2R$  heating of all the conductors (keep them safely cool);
  - C. The IR drop of the conductors, so that adequate power or signal voltage gets to the device;
  - D. The capacitance and inductance of cables which are handling fast signals, (such as data lines or stepper motor drive cables); and
  - E. That some cables may need internal shielding from specific wires to others; please see the instruction manual for details regarding this matter.

## **Setup**

### **Dimensions**

The diameter and height of the 870B/872B transducer body are the same on all units. The *overall* height of the unit varies with each fitting, as shown in Figures 1 through 4, pages 25 to 28. The length of each fitting is measured from mating face to mating face.

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**Note**

All dimensions are listed in inches with millimeters referenced in parentheses.

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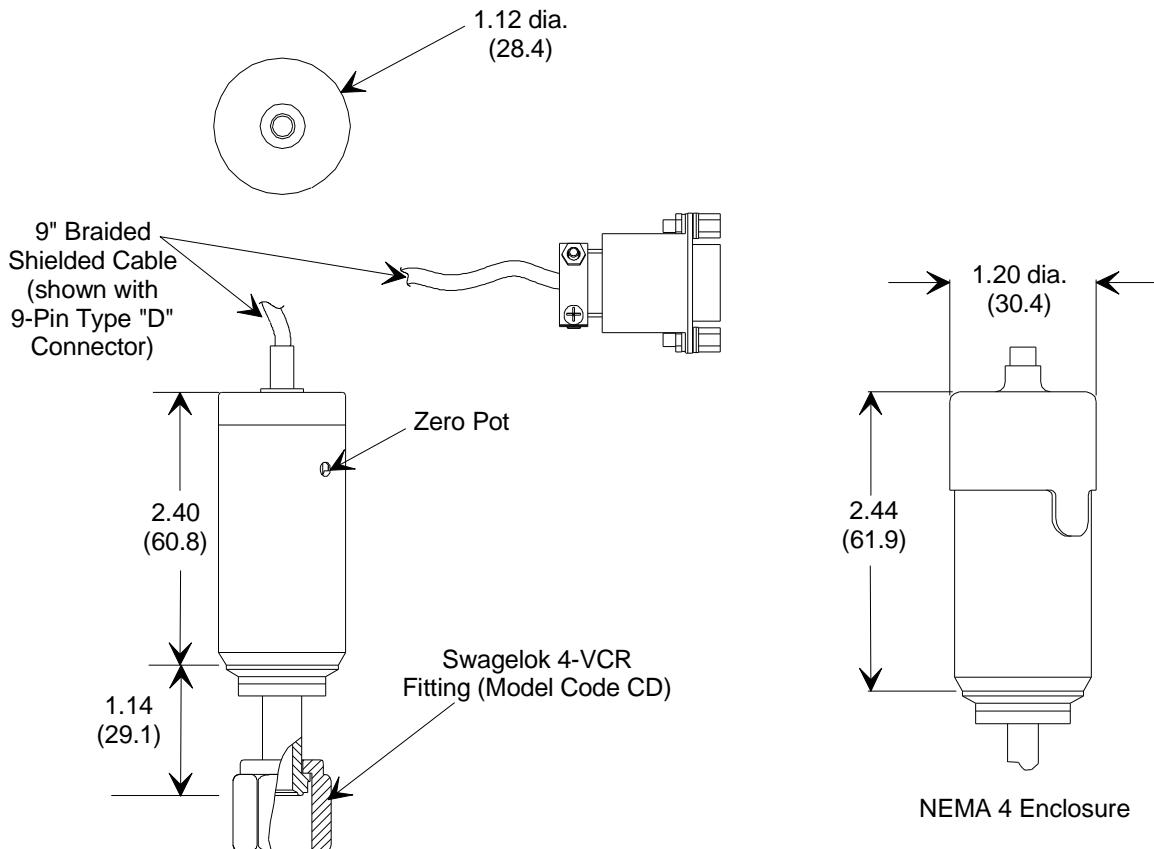


Figure 1: Dimensions of the Type 870B Transducer

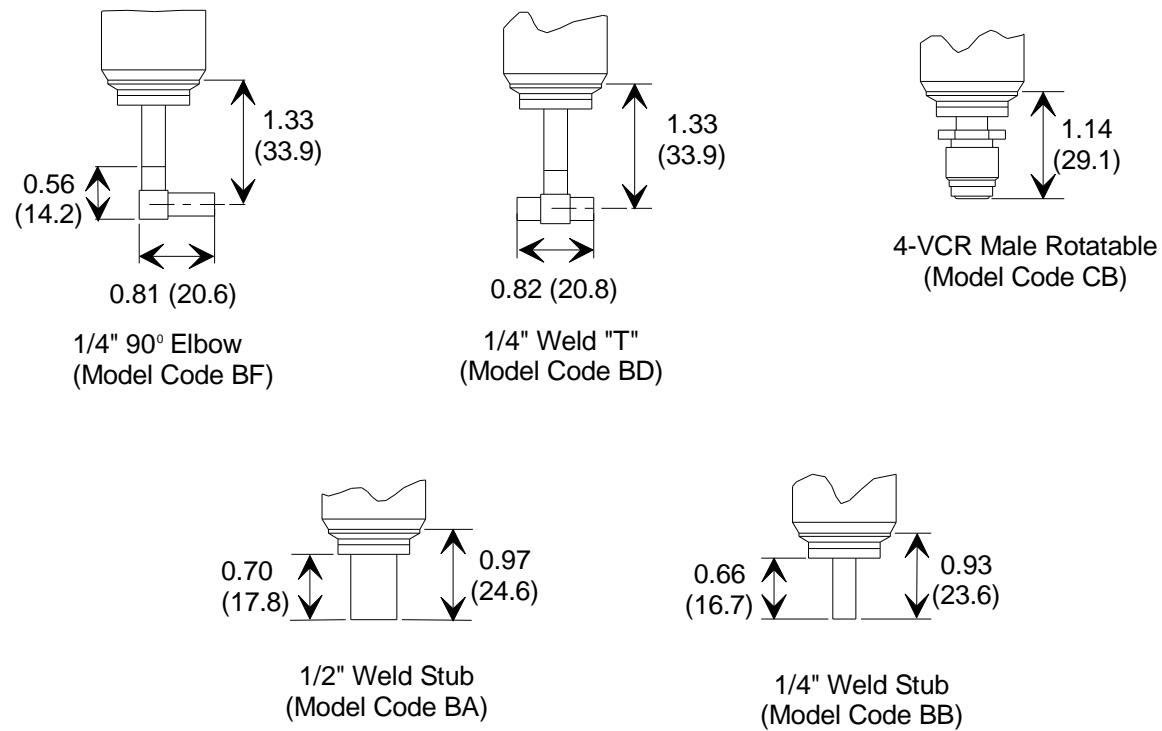


Figure 2: Dimensions of Additional Fittings for the Type 870B Transducer

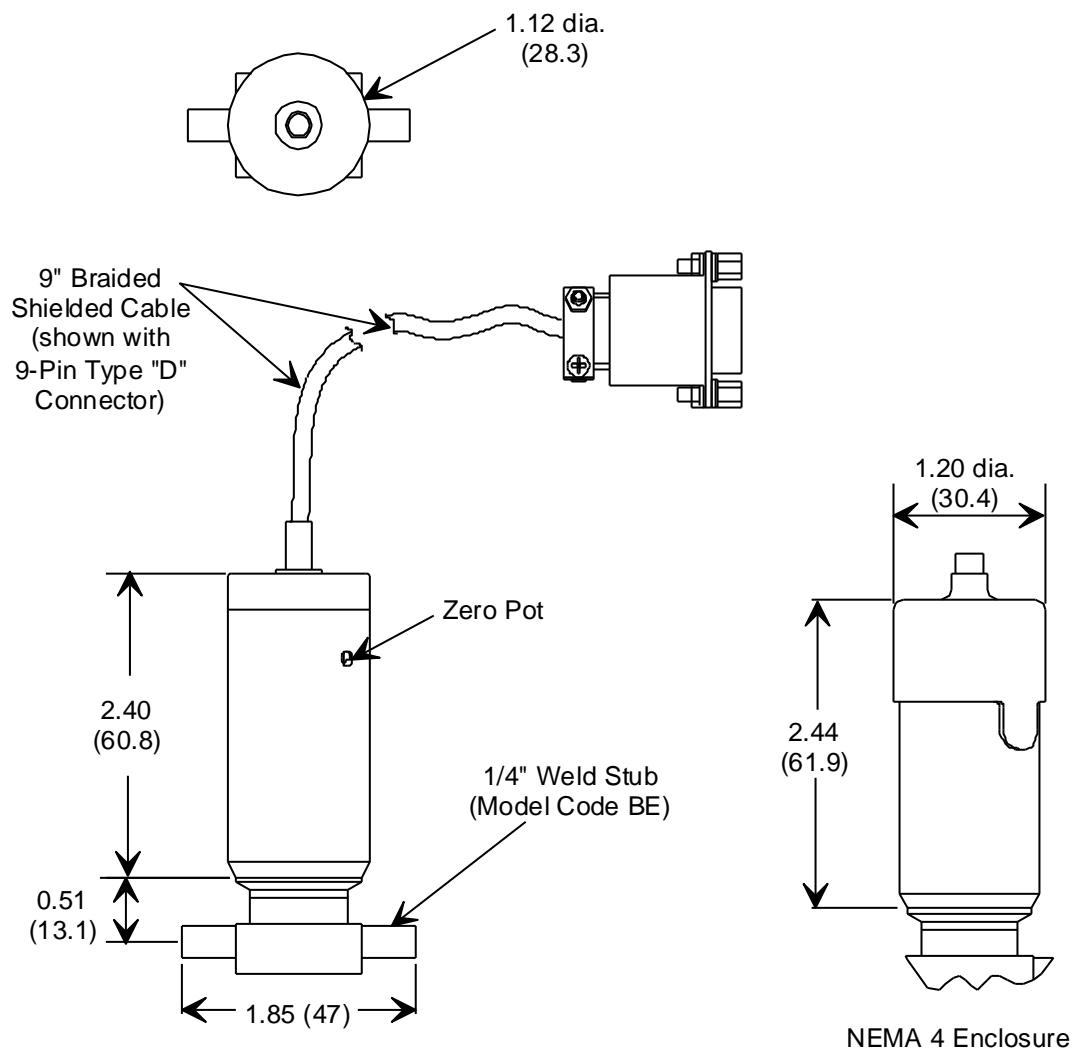


Figure 3: Dimensions of the Type 872B Transducer

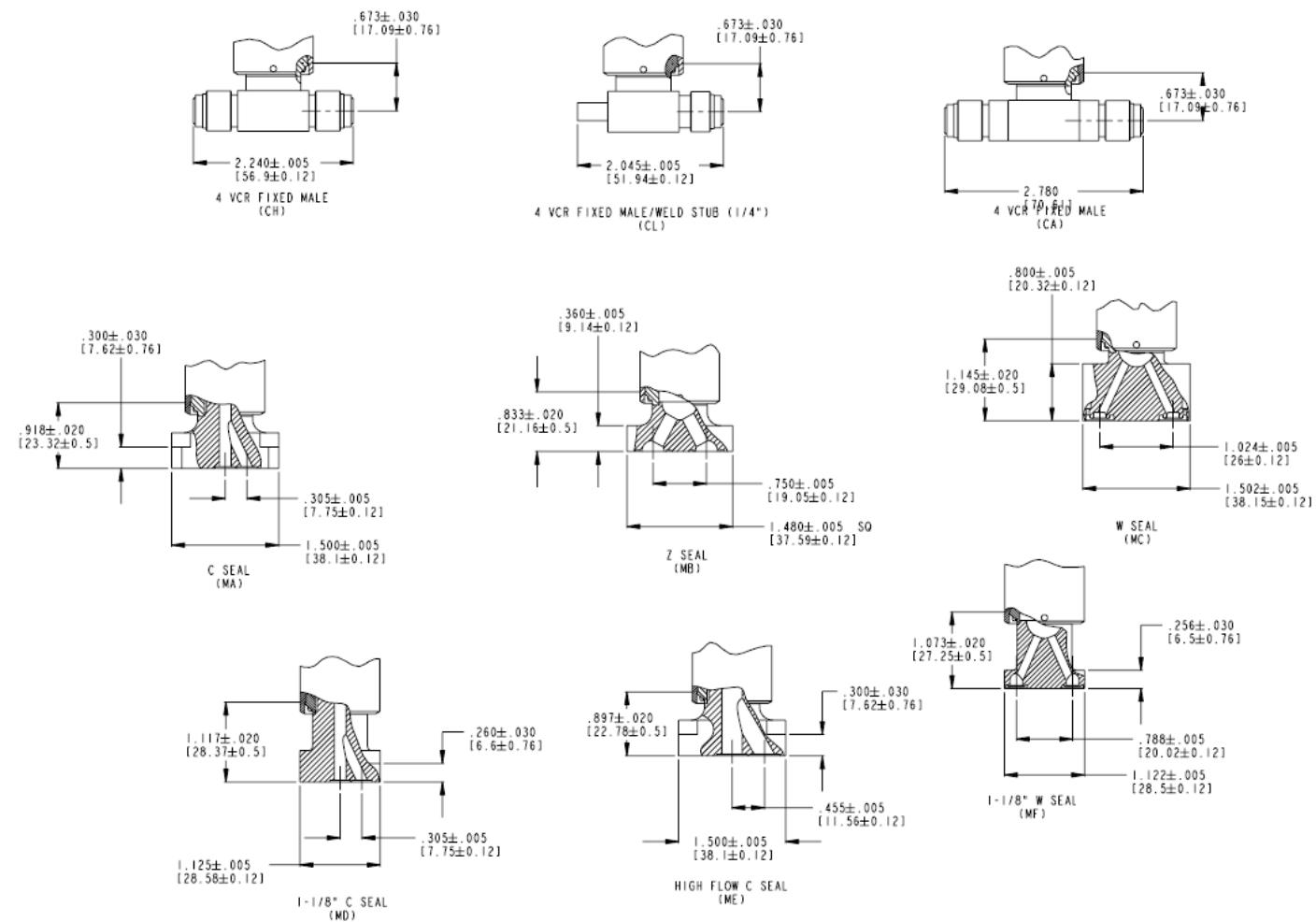


Figure 4: Dimensions of Additional Fittings for the Type 872B Transducer

## Mounting Instructions

The 870B/872B transducer can be mounted in any position; it is fully functional regardless of its orientation. When mounting the unit, be sure to consider accessibility to the user adjustable zero potentiometer, which is located on the side of the transducer. Refer to Figure 1, page 25 for the 870B unit. For the flow-through 872B unit, the zero pot is located 45° off the flow access. Refer to Figure 3, page 27.

## Welded Connections

To weld a transducer in line to a system, you should follow certified welding practices, such as those published by the American Welding Society (AWS) or the American Society of Mechanical Engineers (ASME).

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### Warning



**Improper welding can cause personal injury or damage equipment. Follow proper welding procedures at all times.**

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## Mechanical Connections

To make mechanical connections in line to a system, use the recommended installation practices, as specified by the fitting manufacturer or by an appropriate standard. Tighten VCR fittings  $\frac{1}{8}$  turn past the finger tight position for 316 stainless steel or nickel gaskets.

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### Warning



**Improper installation can cause personal injury or damage equipment. Follow proper installation procedures at all times.**

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## **Electrical Information**

### **Voltage Unit**

The 870B/872B transducer with a voltage output requires an external power source capable of supplying the voltages listed in Table 5, page 22. Noise and ripple should be less than 2 mV (peak-to-peak) over a 10 kHz bandwidth.

You may use any readout device capable of reading from -0.6 V to 11 V. Refer to Figure 5 for the power, signal, and chassis grounding scheme for a voltage unit.

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**Note**

The ground of any external power supply and readout should be the same as the transducer ground (chassis ground) to minimize any possible ground loops and power supply noise which can affect the performance and stability of the system.

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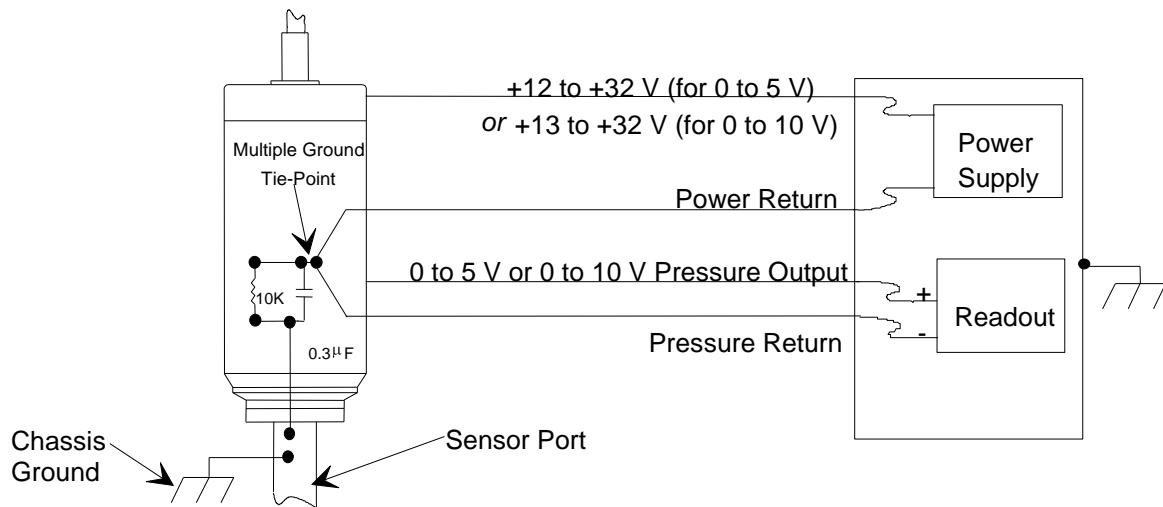


Figure 5: Electrical Scheme for a Voltage Unit

## Current Unit

The 870B/872B transducer with the 4 to 20 mA output requires an external power source capable of supplying the voltages listed in Table 5, page 22. Refer to Figure 8, page 32, for the electrical scheme for a current (4 to 20 mA) unit. Ordinary unshielded twisted pair transmission wire can be used for all connections.

The total external line resistance, including the sampling resistor, must not exceed the value  $R_{LN}$  determined by:

$$R_{LN} \text{ (ohms)} = \frac{(\text{Excitation Supply Volts} - 13) \times 10^3}{24}$$

Figure 6: Line Resistance Equation

For example,  $R_{LN}$  should not exceed 450 ohms for a 24 Volt supply.

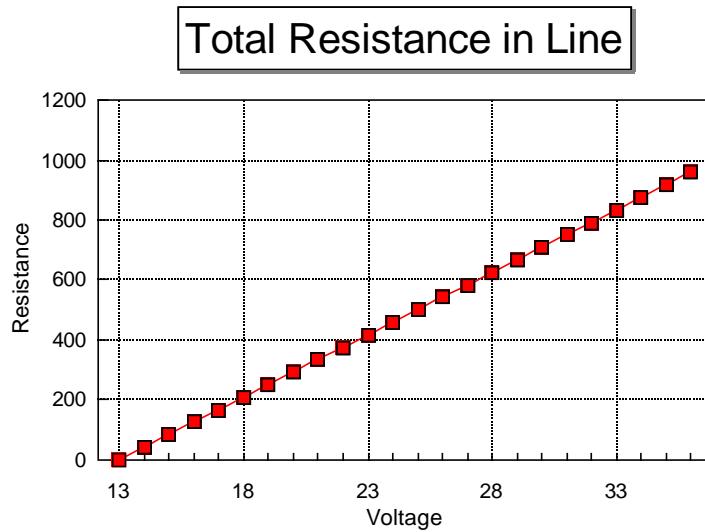


Figure 7: Total Resistance in Line

The maximum voltage between ground (sensor case) and the (-) terminal must not exceed 36 Volts for mA units. The maximum voltage between the positive (+) terminal and the (-) terminal must not exceed 32 Volts under any conditions.

Use the ZERO potentiometer to adjust the 4 mA setting (refer to *How To Adjust the Zero*, page 43). The ZERO pot is located on the side of the 870B/872B unit (refer to Figure 1, page 25, and Figure 3, page 27).

**Note**

If the unit is considerably out of calibration, it may take more than one calibration cycle to accurately complete the zero adjustment.

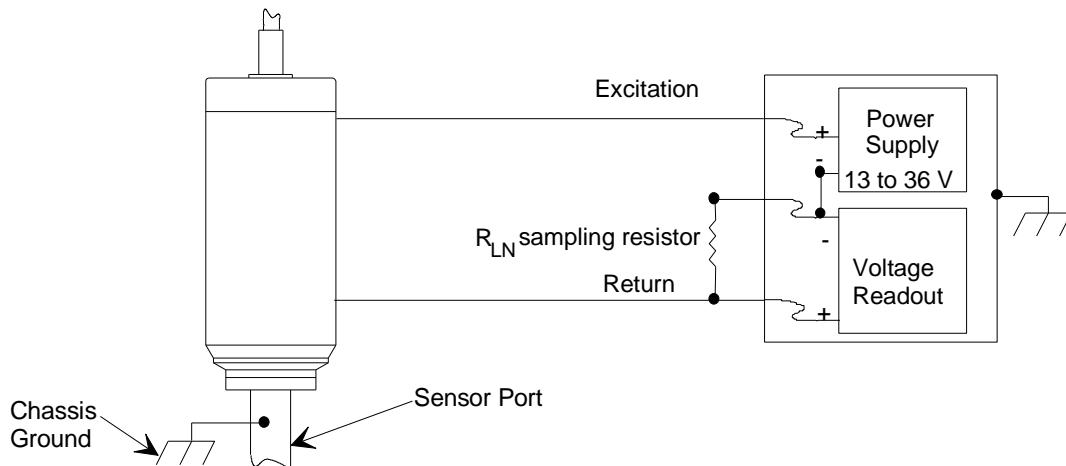


Figure 8: Electrical Scheme for a Current (4 to 20 mA) Unit

## Connectors

The 870B/872B unit has a fixed cable with a flying lead located on its top panel. The unit is available with just the flying lead, or with an optional Bendix or Type "D" connector attached to the flying lead (refer to Figure 1, page 25 and Figure 3, page 27). The length of the cable depends on the type of connector; the connector options are listed in Table 7.

Connector Options		
Connector	Cable Length	Description
Flying Lead	6' (1.8 m)	Green power, white return
Flying Lead	10' (3 m)	Red power, black return
Bendix, 4-Pin PTO, male	9" (225 mm)	4 to 20 mA on pins A & D; voltage outputs on pins B & C
Bendix, 4-Pin PTO, male	9" (225 mm)	4 to 20 mA on pins A & D; pin B is jumpered to pin D
9-Pin Standard Type "D"	9" (225 mm)	Standard connector
15-Pin High Density Type "D"	9" (225 mm)	High Density connector

Table 7: Connector Options

The pinouts for the connectors are listed in Tables 8 through 13, pages 33 to 37.

**Note**

The “Reserved” pin assignment refers to a pin that has an internal connection that may be assigned a function in the future.

**Flying Leads**

The 870B/872B transducer is available with a flying lead at the end of either a 6' or 10' cable (refer to Figure 9). The two cable lengths have different configurations, as noted in Tables 8 and 9.

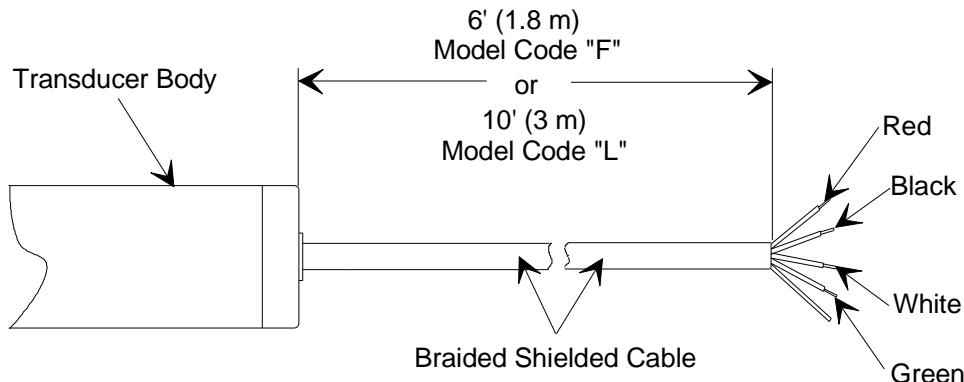


Figure 9: Flying Leads

Table 8 lists the pinout for the Flying Lead with a 6' (1.8 m) cable.

Flying Lead Pinout (Model Code F)		
Color	Voltage Signal	Current Signal
Red	Pressure Output	Do Not Use
Black	Pressure Return	Do Not Use
White	Power Return	4 to 20 mA negative excitation
Green	+ Power Input	4 to 20 mA positive excitation

Table 8: Flying Lead Pinout (Model Code F)

Table 9 lists the pinout for the Flying Lead with a 10'(3 m) cable.

Flying Lead Pinout (Model Code L)		
Color	Voltage Signal	Current Signal
Red	+ Power Input	4 to 20 mA positive excitation
Black	Power Return	4 to 20 mA negative excitation
White	Pressure Return	Do Not Use
Green	Pressure Output	Do Not Use

Table 9: Flying Lead Pinout (Model Code L)

### Bendix Connectors

The 870B/872B transducer is available with a Bendix connector attached to the flying lead at the end of the 9" cable (refer to Figure 10).

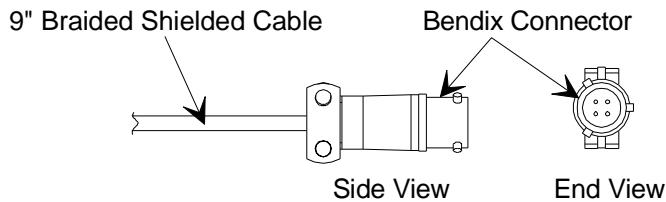


Figure 10: Bendix Connector

#### Warning



To prevent possible sparking, do not disconnect the Bendix connector while the circuit is live unless the area is known to be non-hazardous. There is a warning label on the cable (see Figure 15, page 41) for all units with a Bendix connector.

Table 10 lists the pinout for the Bendix 4 pin PTO, male connector (Model Code D).

Bendix Connector Pinout (Model Code D)		
Pin	Voltage Signal	Current Signal
A	+ Power Input	4 to 20 mA positive excitation
B	Pressure Output	Do Not Use
C	Pressure Return	Do Not Use
D	Power Return	4 to 20 mA negative excitation

Table 10: Bendix Connector Pinout (Model Code D)

Table 11 lists the pinout for the configuration of the Bendix 4 pin PTO, male connector (Model Code H). This configuration is only available with the 4 to 20 mA output unit.

<b>Bendix Connector Pinout (Model Code H)*</b>	
<b>Pin</b>	<b>Signal</b>
A	4 to 20 mA positive excitation
B	Jumpered to pin D
C	Reserved
D	4 to 20 mA negative excitation

\* This configuration is only available with the 4 to 20 mA output unit.

Table 11: Bendix Connector Pinout (Model Code H)

## Type “D” Connectors

### 9-Pin Standard Type “D” Connector

The 870B/872B transducer is available with a 9-pin male standard Type “D” connector attached to the flying lead at the end of the 9" cable (refer to Figure 11).

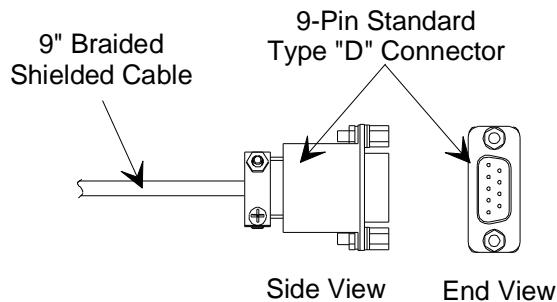


Figure 11: 9-Pin Standard Type “D” Connector

Table 12 lists the pinout for the 9-pin standard Type “D” connector.

<b>9-Pin Standard Type "D" Connector Pinout</b>		
<b>Pin</b>	<b>Voltage Signal</b>	<b>Current Signal</b>
1	Pressure Output	Reserved
2	Reserved	Reserved
3	Reserved	Reserved
4	+ Power Input	4 to 20 mA positive excitation
5	Reserved	Reserved
6	Reserved	Reserved
7	Reserved	Reserved
8	Pressure Return	Reserved
9	Power Return	4 to 20 mA negative excitation

Table 12: 9-Pin Standard Type "D" Connector Pinout

### **15-Pin High Density Type "D" Connector**

The 870B/872B transducer is available with a 15-pin male high density Type "D" connector attached to the flying lead at the end of the 9" cable (refer to Figure 12).

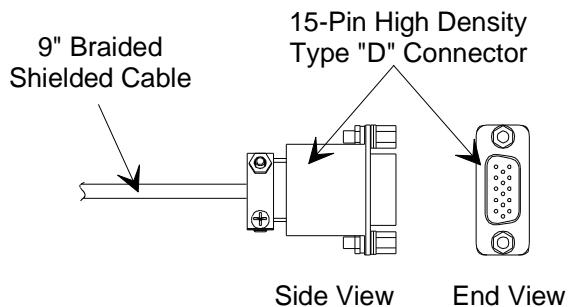


Figure 12: 15-Pin High Density Type "D" Connector

Table 13 lists the pinout for the 15-pin high density Type "D" connector.

<b>15-Pin High Density Type “D” Connector Pinout</b>		
<b>Pin</b>	<b>Voltage Signal</b>	<b>Current Signal</b>
1	Reserved	Reserved
2	Pressure Output	Reserved
3	Reserved	Reserved
4	Reserved	Reserved
5	Power Return	4 to 20 mA negative excitation
6	Reserved	Reserved
7	+ Power Input	4 to 20 mA positive excitation
8	Reserved	Reserved
9	Reserved	Reserved
10	Reserved	Reserved
11	Reserved	Reserved
12	Pressure Return	Reserved
13	Reserved	Reserved
14	Reserved	Reserved
15	Reserved	Reserved

Table 13: 15-Pin High Density Type “D” Connector Pinout

## **Startup**

After installation, allow your transducer to warm up until it is stabilized, then check the transducer zero to verify the proper output. Refer to *How To Adjust the Zero*, page 43, for complete instructions on adjusting the ZERO potentiometer.

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**Note**

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The transducer must be *fully stabilized* before you make any adjustments to the ZERO pot.

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## Chapter Three: Overview

### General Information

A complete pressure transducer system requires three components to convert pressure to a linear output: a sensor, signal conditioner, and power supply. The 870B/872B transducer contains two of the required components: the sensor and signal conditioner.

An MKS or MKS-compatible power supply is required to complete the pressure to DC voltage or mA current conversion. For a direct readout of the pressure measurement, a meter (analog or digital) is required.

### Sensor

The 870B/872B transducer is a variable capacitance sensor consisting of a pressure inlet tube (port) connected to a small chamber in the transducer body. One wall of this chamber is a metal diaphragm. The front side of the diaphragm is exposed to the gas whose pressure is to be measured. The back, or *reference* side of the diaphragm faces a rigidly mounted ceramic disc containing two electrodes. The reference side is permanently evacuated below the resolution of the instrument.

The diaphragm in the single-ended version is positioned opposite the inlet port. The diaphragm on the flow-through version is positioned above the gas stream. The diaphragm, in either configuration, deflects with changing absolute pressure (force per unit area) independently of the gas type or composition of the measured gas. This deflection causes an imbalance of the sensor electrode capacitances since the distance to the diaphragm is now different for each electrode. Using a precision constant frequency oscillator for excitation, the imbalance of capacitances is converted to a DC voltage or mA current. The resultant signal is linearized, zeroed, and amplified via the signal conditioner electronics to produce a precise output signal scaled to the range of the transducer. The output signal, which is proportional to pressure, is provided through the connector on the top of the unit, as either a 0 to 10 V or 0 to 5 V DC voltage, or a 4 to 20 mA current.

### Signal Conditioner

The signal conditioner contains state-of-the-art balanced bridge circuitry, self-compensated for thermal stability with ambient temperature changes. The circuit board construction uses surface mount technology. The output is either a DC voltage or mA current, which is linear with pressure. The transducer is then calibrated against a transfer standard to provide the selected output over the range of the transducer.

## Labels

### **Serial Number Label**

The serial number label, located on the transducer body, lists the unit's serial number, model number, input power requirement, and full scale range.



Figure 13: Serial Number Label

The options for your transducer are identified in the model code when you order the unit. Refer to *Appendix B: Model Code Explanation*, page 55, for more information.

### **Information Label**

This label lists the maximum ambient temperature for the transducer and calls out the location of the zero pot. For 4 to 20 mA units, the label specifies that the 870B/872B transducer is approved for use as a non-incendive device in Class I, Division 2, Groups A, B, C, & D hazardous locations per the Factory Mutual standard FM3611-1986. Under normal conditions, non-incendive devices are incapable of causing ignition of flammable or combustible material in air.

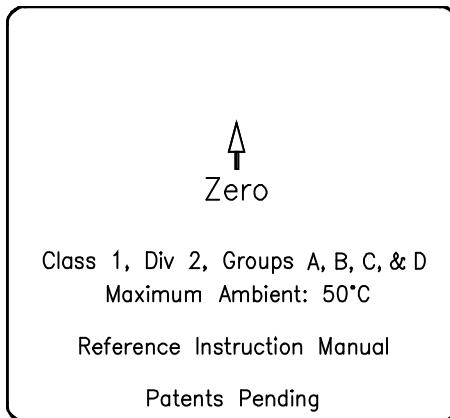


Figure 14: Information Label  
(showing non-incendive device information for 4 to 20 mA unit)

### Bendix Connector Warning Label

This warning label is attached to the fixed 9" cable located on top of the unit *only* when a Bendix connector is attached to the flying lead. To prevent possible sparking, never disconnect the Bendix connector while the circuit is live unless the area is known to be non-hazardous. Refer to *Bendix Connectors*, page 34, for more information.

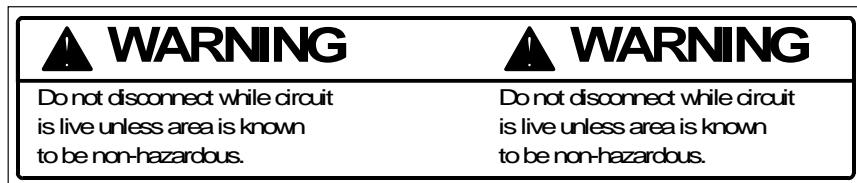


Figure 15: Bendix Connector Warning Label

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## Chapter Four: Operation

### How To Adjust the Zero

All pressure transducers require initial and periodic zero adjustments. Prior to initial operation and during periodic maintenance you must check the transducer zero to verify the proper output. The zero can be set (or reset) by adjusting the ZERO potentiometer on the side of the transducer (refer to Figure 1, page 25, and Figure 3, page 27) or at the front panel of any MKS Power Supply/Readout being used.

To achieve the full dynamic range specified for the transducer, the zero adjustment **must** be made at a pressure one decade lower than the transducer's minimum resolution (0.001% of FS). Zeroing a transducer above its stated minimum resolution creates a *zero offset* relative to true absolute pressure. All subsequent readings are then linear and accurate *relative to the offset value*.

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**Note**

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If available pressures are not sufficiently low to set the transducer zero, you may use a vacuum leak detector with sufficient vacuum pumping (to achieve proper zeroing pressures). In this case, mount the transducer on the leak detector *in the same plane of orientation as it will be during actual use*.

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To properly zero the 870B/872B transducer:

1. Install the 870B/872B transducer in a system and connect a power supply/readout.
2. Power the transducer and allow it to stabilize.

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**Note**

Ensure that the transducer is *fully stabilized* before you adjust the zero.

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3. Pump the unit down to a pressure one decade below its resolution (0.001% of FS).

For best results, pump the transducer while it is warming up. Refer to Table 14 for the highest recommended pressure levels for proper zero adjustment.

<b>Highest Pressures Suggested for Proper Zero Adjustment</b>	
<b>Full Scale Range</b>	<b>Highest Pressure for Proper Zero Adjustment</b>
1000 Torr	0.010 Torr
100 psia	0.0010 psia
250 psia	0.0025 psia
1000 psia	0.0100 psia
3000 psia	0.0300 psia

Table 14: Highest Pressures Suggested for Proper Zero Adjustment

4. Adjust the ZERO pot with a small flathead screwdriver until the readout displays zero (0000).

The ZERO pot is located on the side of the transducer body (refer to Figure 1, page 25, and Figure 3, page 27).

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**Note**

In 4 to 20 mA units, the ZERO pot adjusts the 4 mA setting.

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## **Integrated Local Display Operation**

The Type 870B and 872B is available with an option for an integrated local digital display of the pressure/vacuum. This option is available only for units with 0-10VDC output signal and in the ranges of 1000 Torr, 100 psia, and 250 psia. This display is integrated into the transducer's upper housing, and provides a bright red LED numeric display of the pressure or vacuum. It does not require a separate cable to the host for operation; it is powered through the same cable as the transducer.

The display's units of measurement are calibrated at the factory to be the same units as the full-scale range of the transducer. For example, transducers calibrated for 100 PSIA will have their displays calibrated to read in PSIA as well. However, the display's units of measurement can be changed by the customer to three (3) other units: mm Hg (Torr), kPa, or bar. To make this change, gently insert a conductive shank or tool into the small hole underneath the LED characters. A paper clip wire works well for this adjustment. The tool needs to be inserted into the display about 0.5 inches (12 mm) and manipulated until it contacts metal surfaces in the display's PCB. When the proper contact is completed, the display changes to the next unit of measurement (example: PSIA to mmHg), and the appropriate units are shown in the display. Repeat this action until the desired units of measurement are shown. Once the units of measurement are changed, they are stored in non-volatile memory so that they will be shown after a shutdown or loss of power.



## Chapter Five: Maintenance and Troubleshooting

### **General Information**

If the transducer fails to operate properly upon receipt, check for shipping damage, and check the cables for correct continuity. Any damage should be reported to the carrier and MKS Instruments immediately.

If there is no obvious damage and the cable continuity is correct, check your instrument using the troubleshooting chart (refer to Table 15, page 49). If the transducer performance does not improve and it is necessary to return the unit to MKS for service, obtain an ERA Number (Equipment Return Authorization Number) from any MKS Calibration and Service center before shipping. Please refer to the inside back cover of this manual for a list of MKS Calibration and Service Centers.

### **Maintenance**

In general, no maintenance is required other than proper installation and operation, and an occasional zero adjustment. Periodically check for wear on the cables and inspect the enclosure for visible signs of damage.

#### **Zero Adjustment**

The transducer zero can be set (or reset) by adjusting the ZERO potentiometer located on the side of the unit or at the front panel of any MKS Power Supply/Readout being used. Refer to *How To Adjust the Zero*, page 43, for complete instructions on how to adjust the transducer zero.

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**Note**

In production operations such as semiconductor manufacturing, verify the transducer zero (and adjust if necessary) each time the equipment is shut down for routine maintenance.

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## Troubleshooting

<b>Troubleshooting Chart</b>		
<b>Failure Symptom</b>	<b>Possible Cause</b>	<b>Solution</b>
<p>Output Signal "Stuck" - no response from panel.</p> <p>Transducer will not Zero or Span.</p> <p>Overrange Positive or Negative Output signal.</p>	Transducer Sensor Element internally shorted	<p>Perform continuity check on Sensor Electrodes as follows; Remove the electronics assembly from the sensor element. Locate the two electrode pins on the "top" of the sensor element. Using an Ohm Meter, check for resistance between each electrode pin and the sensor element body. If there is a reading less than infinity (open) then the sensor element is internally shorted and the Transducer must be replaced. Typical readings for defective sensors are less than 1000 Ohms, however higher resistances can still indicate a problem. If no continuity is present (infinite resistance) then sensor element is OK, refer to next possible cause or return the Transducer to the MKS factory for service.</p>
<p>Output Signal "Stuck" - no response from panel.</p> <p>Transducer will not Zero or Span.</p>	Broken Ground connection between the PWA and the Sensor Element.	<p>Remove the enclosure and inspect the three soldered connections where the PWA is mounted to the "chassis". One or more of these solder joints may be broken, or the solder pin may be broken off the chassis. If either situation is present the electronics assembly must be replaced. If not, refer to next possible cause or return the Transducer to the MKS factory for service.</p>
<p>Output Signal "Stuck" - no response from panel.</p> <p>Transducer will not Zero or Span.</p> <p>Overrange Positive or Negative Output signal.</p>	Internal cable assembly connecting the PWA to the I/O connector is loose or broken.	<p>Remove the enclosure and inspect the internal cable assembly at both ends. If a loose or broken wire or crimp is present then the cable assembly must be replaced. If not, refer to next possible cause or return the Transducer to the MKS factory for service.</p>
Transducer will not Zero or Span.	Factory Coarse Zero adjustment is not properly centered.	Remove Transducer from service and return to MKS factory for repair.

Measurement slowly goes positive over time.	Transducer has seen Overpressure conditions.	Remove Transducer from service and return to MKS factory for repair.
Measurement slowly goes positive over time.	Buildup of contamination in the Px cavity.	Remove Transducer from service and return to MKS factory for repair.
Unstable output at zero pressure.	Excessive ambient temperature or ambient temp is varying over a very wide range.	Measure the ambient temperature and assure that it is within the specified operating range of the Transducer. If ambient temp. is within specifications, return the Transducer to the MKS factory for service.

Table 15: Troubleshooting Chart

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## Appendix A: Product Specifications

### Performance Specifications

Accuracy	$\pm 1\%$ of Reading	
Leak Rate		
Inboard	$10^{-9}$ scc/sec He	
Outboard	< 1 ppm above background	
Response Time	< 50 msec	
Temperature Coefficient	< 50 psia	$\geq 50$ to 3000 psia
Zero	0.04% of FS/ $^{\circ}\text{C}$	0.02% of FS/ $^{\circ}\text{C}$
Span	0.08% of Reading/ $^{\circ}\text{C}$	0.04% of Reading/ $^{\circ}\text{C}$

### Electrical Specifications

CE Compliance <sup>1</sup>	EMC Directive 2004/108/EC
Input Power Requirement	12 VDC minimum to 36 VDC maximum, regulated to $\pm 5\%$ (dependent on output configuration)
0 to 5 V Output	+12 VDC to +32 VDC $\pm 5\%$ (regulated if below 13 VDC) @ 10 mA maximum
0 to 10 V Output	+13 VDC to +32 VDC $\pm 5\%$ @ 10 mA maximum. Models with integrated local display require 35 mA.
Two wire; 4 to 20 mA Output	+13 VDC to +36 VDC excitation (32 VDC maximum across the transducer)
Output	
0 to 5 VDC	into $>10$ K ohm load
0 to 10 VDC	into $>10$ K ohm load
Two wire 4 to 20 mA with +13 to +36 VDC excitation	into 0 to 900 ohm load (depending on excitation)
Reverse Wire Protection	Immune to reverse power wiring effects

### Physical Specifications

Attitude (Orientation) Sensitivity	Fully functional without regard to operating orientation $< 0.15\%$ of reading per $180^{\circ}$ of rotation
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<sup>1</sup> An overall metal braided shielded cable, properly grounded at both ends, is required during use.

Burst Pressure 1000 Torr to 100 psi 101 to 3000 psi	10 times full scale 5 times full scale
Configuration Type 870B Type 872B	Single-ended Flow-through
Connectors	6' or 10' Flying Lead 4-Pin male PTO Bendix (2 configurations) at the end of a 9" flying lead 9-Pin standard or 15-pin high density male Type "D" at the end of a 9" flying lead
Fittings Type 870B  Type 872B	½" Tube Stub ¼" Weld Stub Swagelok® 4-VCR® male, rotatable 4-VCR female ¼" Butt Welded "T"  ¼" Weld Stub (2 lengths) 4-VCR male, non-rotatable (2 lengths) 4-VCR female, rotatable 4-VCR female, non-rotatable 4-VCR male, non-rotatable / ¼" Tube stub
Full Scale Pressure Ranges	1000 Torr, 60 psia, 100 psia, 250 psia, 1000 psia, 3000 psia
Internal Volume Type 870B Type 872B	< 1.0 cc  < 2.0 cc
Materials Exposed to Gas Wetted Surfaces	Inconel® and Incoloy®, polished and passivated < 5 µinch (<0.125 µm) Ra, maximum
Non-Incendive Device Approval (4-20 mA models only)	FM3611-1986; Class I, Division 2, Groups A, B, C, & D
Overpressure Limit 1000 Torr to 500 psi 501 to 3000 psi	1.5 times full scale 1.2 times full scale
Weight (any configuration)	< 10 oz. (284 g)
Zero Adjustment Access	Located on the side of the unit; 45° from flow direction

## Environmental Specifications

Environmental Options	Standard unit (indoor use) NEMA 4 compliant unit (outdoor use; weather resistant)
Operating Humidity Range	25 to 80% relative humidity, non-condensing
Operating Temperature Range	0° to 50° C (32° to 122° F)

Due to continuing research and development activities, these product specifications are subject to change without notice.

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## Appendix B: Model Code Explanation

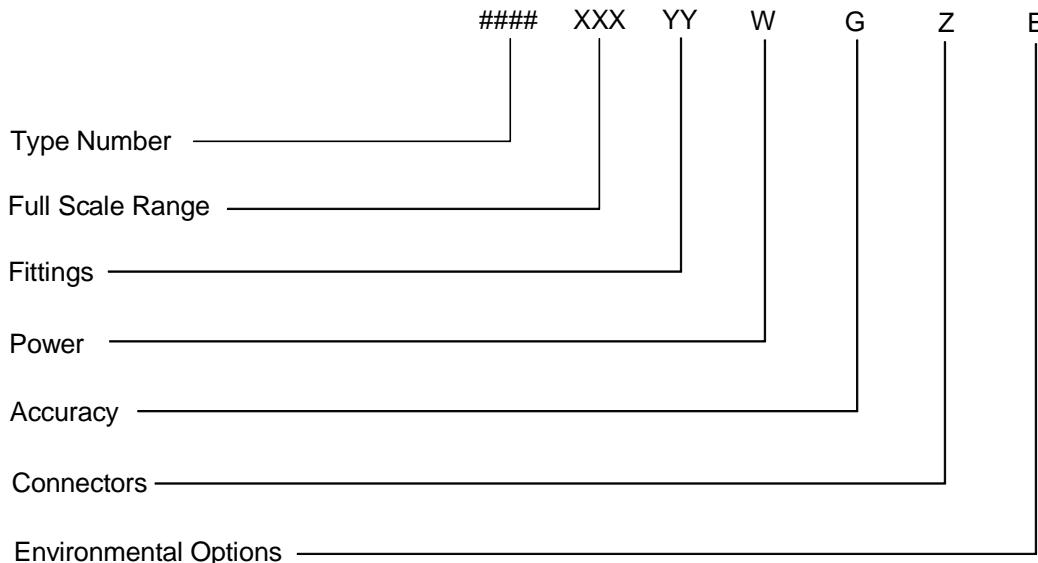
### Model Code

The options for your transducer are identified in the model code when you order the unit. All parts of the model code apply to both the 870B and 872B units, except where noted.

The model code is identified as follows:

##### XXX YY W G Z E

where:



#### Type Number (#####)

The type number designates the model number of the instrument. The 870B represents the single ended transducer; the 872B represents the flow-through transducer.

For Example: 872B12PCJ2GC1 describes a flow-through transducer, 100 psia, 4-VCR female rotatable fittings, 0-10 VDC output, 1% of reading uncertainty, and 15 pin high density "D" connector for indoor use.

## Full Scale Range (XXX)

The full scale range is indicated by a three character code.

<i>Full Scale Range</i>	<i>Ordering Code</i>
1000 Torr	13T
60 psia	61P
100 psia	12P
250 psia	RDP
1000 psia	13P
3000 psia	33P

## Fittings (YY)

Several fittings are available, designated by a two letter code.

<i>Fittings</i>	<i>Ordering Code</i>
<i>Type 870B Single-Ended Design</i>	
½" Tube Stub	BA
¼" Weld Stub	BB
Swagelok® 4-VCR male, rotatable	CB
4-VCR female	CD
¼" Butt Welded "T"	BD
0.876 face-to-face on the flow through part of the "T"	

## Type 872B Flow-Through Design

¼" Weld Stub:	
2.045" face-to-face flow through	BB
1.85" face-to-face flow through	BE
4-VCR male, non-rotatable:	
2.78" face-to-face flow through	CA
2.24" face-to-face flow through	CH
4-VCR female, rotatable;	
2.95" face-to-face flow through	CJ
4-VCR female, non-rotatable;	
3.045" face-to-face flow through	CM
4-VCR male, non-rotatable / ¼" Tube Stub	
1.5-inch C-seal surface mount	CL
1.5-inch W-seal surface mount	MC

1.125-inch C-seal surface mount	MD
1.125-inch C-seal surface mount, high flow	ME
1.125-inch W-seal surface mount	MF

**Power (W)**

The input/output power is designated by a single number code.

<i>Power</i>	<i>Ordering Code</i>
+13 to +32 VDC input / 0 to 10 VDC output	2
+12 to +32 VDC input / 0 to 5 VDC output	3
+13 to +36 VDC excitation / 4 to 20 mA output	4

**Accuracy (G)**

The accuracy is designated by a single letter code.

<i>Accuracy</i>	<i>Ordering Code</i>
1.00% of Reading	G

**Connectors (Z)**

Eight types of connectors are available, indicated by a single letter code.

<i>Connector</i>	<i>Ordering Code</i>
Flying Lead with 6' (1.8 m) Cable (White power, green return)	F
Flying Lead with 10' (3 m) Cable (Red power, black return)	L
Bendix 4-Pin PTO, male 4 to 20 mA on pins A & D; voltage outputs on pins B & C	D
Bendix 4-Pin PTO, male Pins A & B jumpered to pin D in 4 to 20 mA	H
9-pin standard male D-subminiature mounted on 6-inch cable	A
15-pin high density male D-subminiature mounted on 6-inch cable	C
Integrated local display, red LED, 15-pin high-density D-subminiature electrical connector (1000 Torr, 100 psia, 250 psia only with 0-10VDC output)	T
15-pin high density D-subminiature, integrated, side-facing	W

**Environmental Options (E)**

Two environmental options are available, indicated by a single number code.

*Option**Ordering Code*

Standard unit (indoor use)	1
NEMA 4/4X compliant unit (outdoor use; weather resistant)	4

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