Vibrating Level Switch

NAMUR
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Safety instructions for Ex areas

Take note of the Ex specific safety instructions for Ex applications. These instructions are attached as documents to each instrument with Ex approval and are part of the operating instructions manual.

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1 About this document

1.1 Function
This operating instructions manual provides all the information you need for mounting, connection and setup as well as important instructions for maintenance and fault rectification. Please read this information before putting the instrument into operation and keep this manual accessible in the immediate vicinity of the device.

1.2 Target group
This operating instructions manual is directed to trained specialist personnel. The contents of this manual should be made available to these personnel and put into practice by them.

1.3 Symbols used

- **Information, tip, note**
  This symbol indicates helpful additional information.

- **Caution**: If this warning is ignored, faults or malfunctions can result.

- **Warning**: If this warning is ignored, injury to persons and/or serious damage to the instrument can result.

- **Danger**: If this warning is ignored, serious injury to persons and/or destruction of the instrument can result.

- **Ex applications**
  This symbol indicates special instructions for Ex applications.

- **SIL applications**
  This symbol indicates instructions for functional safety which must be taken into account particularly for safety-relevant applications.

- **List**
  The dot set in front indicates a list with no implied sequence.

- **Action**
  This arrow indicates a single action.

- **Sequence of actions**
  Numbers set in front indicate successive steps in a procedure.

- **Battery disposal**
  This symbol indicates special information about the disposal of batteries and accumulators.
2 For your safety

2.1 Authorised personnel
All operations described in this operating instructions manual must be carried out only by trained specialist personnel authorised by the plant operator.
During work on and with the device the required personal protective equipment must always be worn.

2.2 Appropriate use
The OPTISWITCH 3100 C is a sensor for point level detection.
You can find detailed information about the area of application in chapter "Product description".
Operational reliability is ensured only if the instrument is properly used according to the specifications in the operating instructions manual as well as possible supplementary instructions.
For safety and warranty reasons, any invasive work on the device beyond that described in the operating instructions manual may be carried out only by personnel authorised by the manufacturer. Arbitrary conversions or modifications are explicitly forbidden.

2.3 Warning about incorrect use
Inappropriate or incorrect use of the instrument can give rise to application-specific hazards, e.g. vessel overfill or damage to system components through incorrect mounting or adjustment.

2.4 General safety instructions
This is a state-of-the-art instrument complying with all prevailing regulations and guidelines. The instrument must only be operated in a technically flawless and reliable condition. The operator is responsible for the trouble-free operation of the instrument.
During the entire duration of use, the user is obliged to determine the compliance of the necessary occupational safety measures with the current valid rules and regulations and also take note of new regulations.
The safety instructions in this operating instructions manual, the national installation standards as well as the valid safety regulations and accident prevention rules must be observed by the user.
For safety and warranty reasons, any invasive work on the device beyond that described in the operating instructions manual may be carried out only by personnel authorised by the manufacturer. Arbitrary conversions or modifications are explicitly forbidden.
The safety approval markings and safety tips on the device must also be observed.
2.5 **Safety label on the instrument**
The safety approval markings and safety tips on the device must be observed.

2.6 **EU conformity**
The device fulfills the legal requirements of the applicable EU guidelines. By affixing the CE marking, we confirm successful testing of the product.

2.7 **SIL conformity**
OPTISWITCH 3100 C meets the requirements to the functional safety according to IEC 61508. Further information is available in the Safety Manual "OPTISWITCH 3XXX".

2.8 **Safety instructions for Ex areas**
Please note the Ex-specific safety information for installation and operation in Ex areas. These safety instructions are part of the operating instructions manual and come with the Ex-approved instruments.
3 Product description

3.1 Configuration

The scope of delivery encompasses:
- OPTISWITCH 3100 C point level switch
- Documentation
  - This operating instructions manual
  - Ex specific safety instructions (with Ex versions), if necessary

The OPTISWITCH 3100 C consists of the components:
- Housing lid
- Housing with electronics
- Process fitting with tuning fork

Fig. 1: OPTISWITCH 3100 C with plastic housing
1 Housing lid
2 Housing with electronics
3 Process fitting

The type label contains the most important data for identification and use of the instrument:
- Article number
- Serial number
- Technical data
- Article numbers, documentation

In addition to the type label outside on the instrument, you find the serial number also inside the instrument.

3.2 Principle of operation

OPTISWITCH 3100 C is a point level sensor with tuning fork for point level detection.

It is designed for industrial use in all areas of process technology and is preferably used for bulk solids.

Typical applications are overfill and dry run protection. Thanks to its simple and robust measuring system, OPTISWITCH 3100 C is virtually unaffected by the chemical and physical properties of the bulk solid.
It also works when subjected to strong external vibrations or changing products.

**Solid detection in water**
If OPTISWITCH 3100 C was ordered for solids detection in water, the tuning fork is set to the density of water. In air or when immersed in water (density: 1 g/cm³/0.036 lbs/in³), OPTISWITCH 3100 C signals "uncovered". Only when the vibrating element is also covered with solids (e.g. sand, sludge, gravel etc.) will the sensor signal "covered".

**Function monitoring**
The electronics module of OPTISWITCH 3100 C continuously monitors the following criteria:
- Correct vibrating frequency
- Line break to the piezo drive

If one of these faults is detected, the electronics signals this via a defined current to the signal conditioning instrument. The connection cable to the vibrating element is also monitored.

**Functional principle**
The tuning fork is piezoelectrically energised and vibrates at its mechanical resonance frequency of approx. 150 Hz. When the tuning fork is submerged in the product, the vibration amplitude changes. This change is detected by the integrated electronics module and converted into a switching command.

**Voltage supply**
OPTISWITCH 3100 C with NAMUR electronics can be connected to different NAMUR amplifiers depending on your requirements. The specifications for NAMUR amplifiers are available in the "Technical data".

The data for power supply are specified in chapter "Technical data".

**3.3 Adjustment**
With the factory setting, products with a density of > 0.02 g/cm³ (0.0008 lbs/in³) can be measured. The instrument can also be adapted to products with lower density > 0.008 g/cm³ (0.0003 lbs/in³).

On the electronics module you will find the following display and adjustment elements:
- Control lamp for indication of the switching status (yellow)
- Potentiometer for adaptation to the product density
- Mode switch to select the switching condition (reverse characteristics)
- Simulation key

**3.4 Storage and transport**
Your instrument was protected by packaging during transport. Its capacity to handle normal loads during transport is assured by a test based on ISO 4180.

The packaging of standard instruments consists of environment-friendly, recyclable carton material. The sensing element is additionally protected with a cardboard cover. For special versions, PE foam or
PE foil is also used. Please dispose of the packaging material through specialised recycling companies.

**Transport**
Transport must be carried out in due consideration of the notes on the transport packaging. Nonobservance of these instructions can cause damage to the device.

**Transport inspection**
The delivery must be checked for completeness and possible transit damage immediately at receipt. Ascertained transit damage or concealed defects must be appropriately dealt with.

**Storage**
Up to the time of installation, the packages must be left closed and stored according to the orientation and storage markings on the outside.

Unless otherwise indicated, the packages must be stored only under the following conditions:
- Not in the open
- Dry and dust free
- Not exposed to corrosive media
- Protected against solar radiation
- Avoiding mechanical shock and vibration

**Storage and transport temperature**
- Storage and transport temperature see chapter "Supplement - Technical data - Ambient conditions"
- Relative humidity 20 … 85 %
4 Mounting

4.1 General instructions

Suitability for the process conditions

Make sure that all parts of the instrument coming in direct contact with the process, especially the sensor element, process seal and process fitting, are suitable for the existing process conditions, such as process pressure, process temperature as well as the chemical properties of the medium.

You can find the specifications in chapter "Technical data" and on the nameplate.

Switching point

In general, OPTISWITCH 3100 C can be installed in any position. The instrument only has to be mounted in such a way that the vibrating element is at the height of the desired switching point.

Moisture

Use the recommended cables (see chapter "Connecting to power supply") and tighten the cable gland.

You can give your instrument additional protection against moisture penetration by leading the connection cable downward in front of the cable entry. Rain and condensation water can thus drain off. This applies mainly to outdoor mounting as well as installation in areas where high humidity is expected (e.g. through cleaning processes) or on cooled or heated vessels.

![Fig. 2: Measures against moisture ingress](image)

Transport

Do not hold OPTISWITCH 3100 C on the vibrating element. Especially with flange and tube versions, the sensor can be damaged by the weight of the instrument.

Remove the protective cover just before mounting

Pressure/Vacuum

The process fitting must be sealed if there is gauge or low pressure in the vessel. Before use, check if the seal material is resistant against the measured product and the process temperature.

The max. permissible pressure is specified in chapter "Technical data" or on the type label of the sensor.
Handling

The vibrating level switch is a measuring instrument and must be treated accordingly. Bending the vibrating element will destroy the instrument.

Warning:
The housing must not be used to screw the instrument in! Applying tightening force can damage internal parts of the housing. Use the hexagon above the thread for screwing in.

Cable entries - NPT thread
Cable glands

Metric threads
In the case of instrument housings with metric thread, the cable glands are screwed in at the factory. They are sealed with plastic plugs as transport protection.
You have to remove these plugs before electrical connection.

NPT thread
In the case of instrument housings with self-sealing NPT threads, it is not possible to have the cable entries screwed in at the factory. The free openings for the cable glands are therefore covered with red dust protection caps as transport protection.
Prior to setup you have to replace these protective caps with approved cable glands or close the openings with suitable blind plugs.

4.2 Mounting instructions

Mounting socket
The vibrating element should protrude into the vessel to avoid buildup. For that reason, avoid using mounting bosses for flanges and screwed fittings. This applies particularly to use with adhesive products.

Filling opening
Mount the instrument in such a way that the tuning fork does not protrude directly into the filling stream.

Fig. 3: Horizontal installation

- a. Protective sheet
- b. Concave protective sheet for abrasive solids
If such an installation location should be necessary, mount a suitable protective sheet above or in front of the vibrating element, see illustration "a").

In abrasive solids, mounting according to illustration "b" has proven. A spout forms in the concave protective sheet preventing wear of the protective sheet.

**Horizontal mounting**

To achieve a very precise switching point, you can install OPTISWITCH 3100 C horizontally. However, if the switching point can have a tolerance of a few centimeters, we recommend mounting OPTISWITCH 3100 C approx. 20° inclined to the vessel bottom to avoid buildup.

![Horizontal mounting](image)

*Fig. 4: Horizontal mounting*

**Inflowing medium**

If OPTISWITCH 3100 C is mounted in the filling stream, unwanted false measurement signals can be generated. For this reason, mount OPTISWITCH 3100 C at a position in the vessel where no disturbances, e.g. from filling openings, agitators, etc., can occur.

**Product flow**

To make sure the tuning fork of OPTISWITCH 3100 C generates as little resistance as possible to product flow, mount the sensor so that the surfaces are parallel to the product movement.
Adhesive products

In case of horizontal mounting in adhesive products, the surfaces of the tuning fork should be vertical in order to reduce buildup on the tuning fork. On the screwed version you will find a marking on the hexagon. With this, you can check the position of the tuning fork when screwing it in. When the hexagon touches the seal, the thread can still be turned by approx. half a turn. This is sufficient to reach the recommended installation position.

In the case of flange versions, the fork is aligned with the flange holes.

Baffle protection against falling rocks

In applications such as grit chambers or settling basins for coarse sediments, the vibrating element must be protected against damage with a suitable baffle.

This baffle must be manufactured by you.
Fig. 7: Baffle for protection against mechanical damage
5 Connecting to power supply

5.1 Preparing the connection

Note safety instructions
Always keep in mind the following safety instructions:

Warning:
Connect only in the complete absence of line voltage.

- The electrical connection must only be carried out by trained personnel authorised by the plant operator.
- Always switch off power supply, before connecting or disconnecting the instrument.

Take note of safety instructions for Ex applications
In hazardous areas you must take note of the respective regulations, conformity and type approval certificates of the sensors and power supply units.

Voltage supply
Connect the voltage supply according to the following diagrams. Take note of the general installation regulations. As a rule, connect OPTISWITCH 3100 C to vessel ground (PA), or in case of plastic vessels, to the next ground potential. On the side of the instrument housing there is a ground terminal between the cable entries. This connection serves to drain off electrostatic charges. In Ex applications, the installation regulations for hazardous areas must be given priority. The data for power supply are specified in chapter "Technical data".

Connection cable
The instrument is connected with standard two-wire cable without screen. If electromagnetic interference is expected which is above the test values of EN 61326 for industrial areas, screened cable should be used.

Use cable with round cross-section. A cable outer diameter of 5 … 9 mm (0.2 … 0.35 in) ensures the seal effect of the cable gland. If you are using cable with a different diameter or cross-section, exchange the seal or use a suitable cable gland.

In hazardous areas, use only approved cable connections for OPTISWITCH 3100 C.

Connection cable for Ex applications
Take note of the corresponding installation regulations for Ex applications.

Cover all housing openings conforming to standard according to EN 60079-1.

5.2 Connection procedure

With Ex instruments, the housing cover may only be opened if there is no explosive atmosphere present.

Proceed as follows:
1. Unscrew the housing lid
2. Loosen compression nut of the cable gland and remove blind plug
3. Remove approx. 10 cm (4 in) of the cable mantle, strip approx. 1 cm (0.4 in) of insulation from the ends of the individual wires.

4. Insert the cable into the sensor through the cable entry.

5. Lift the opening levers of the terminals with a screwdriver (see following illustration).

![Fig. 8: Connection steps 5 and 6](image)

6. Insert the wire ends into the open terminals according to the wiring plan.

7. Press down the opening levers of the terminals, you will hear the terminal spring closing.

8. Check the hold of the wires in the terminals by lightly pulling on them.

9. Tighten the compression nut of the cable entry gland. The seal ring must completely encircle the cable.

10. If necessary, carry out a fresh adjustment.

11. Screw the housing lid back on.

The electrical connection is finished.

### 5.3 Wiring plan, single chamber housing

The following illustrations apply to the non-Ex as well as to the Ex-d version.
Housing overview

![Diagram of material versions, single chamber housing](image)

*Fig. 9: Material versions, single chamber housing*

1. Plastic
2. Aluminium
3. Stainless steel
4. Filter element for air pressure compensation

Wiring plan

For connection of the amplifier according to NAMUR (IEC 60947-5-6, EN 50227). You can find further information in the "Technical data".

Further information you will find in the "Technical data", "Ex technical data" are specified in the attached "Safety instructions manual".

![Wiring plan diagram](image)

*Fig. 10: Wiring plan, single chamber housing*

External simulation key

In addition to the test key on the electronics module, you can connect an external key to start the test procedure. Connect the key according to the following wiring plan. In shipping condition, terminals 3 and 4 are bridged.

For additional information see "Recurring function test".

![Wiring plan - External simulation key diagram](image)

*Fig. 11: Wiring plan - External simulation key*

1. NAMUR amplifier
2. Bridge
3. External simulation key
6 Setup

6.1 General information
The figures in brackets refer to the following illustrations.

Function/Configuration

On the electronics module you will find the following display and adjustment elements:
- Potentiometer for adjustment of the density range (1)
- DIL switch for mode adjustment - min./max. (2)
- Simulation key (3)
- Signal lamp (6)

6.2 Adjustment elements

![Fig. 12: Electronics and connection compartment - NAMUR output](image)

1. Potentiometer for adjustment of the density range
2. DIL switch for characteristics reversal
3. Simulation key
4. Ground terminal
5. Connection terminals
6. Control lamp

Adjustment of the density range (1)

With the potentiometer you can adapt the switching point to the solid. It is already preset and must only be modified in special cases.

By default, the potentiometer of OPTISWITCH 3100 C is set to the right stop (> 0.02 g/cm³ or 0.0008 lbs/in³). In case of very light-weight solids, turn the potentiometer to the left stop (> 0.008 g/cm³ or 0.0003 lbs/in³). OPTISWITCH 3100 C will thus be more sensitive and can detect light-weight solids more reliably.

For instruments detecting solids in water, these settings are not applicable. The density range is preset and must not be changed.
The characteristics reversal can be carried out with the DIL switch. You can choose between falling characteristic curve (switch position max.) and rising characteristic curve (switch position min.). This allows you to output the desired current.

**Modes**
- min. - rising characteristic curve (High current when immersed)
- max. - falling characteristics (Low current when immersed)

The NAMUR output can be switched over to falling or rising characteristics (see also "Function table").

**Simulation key (3)**

The simulation key is located in a recess on the upper side of the electronics module. Push the simulation key with a suitable object (screwdriver, pen, etc.).

When the key is pushed, a line break between sensor and processing unit is simulated. The signal lamp on the sensor extinguishes. The measuring system must signal a fault and take on a safe state when the key is pushed.

Keep in mind that downstream connected instruments will be activated during operation. This allows you to check the correct function of the measuring system.

**Signal lamp (6)**

Control lamp (LED) for indication of the switching condition
- yellow = High current ≥ 2.2 mA
- dark = Low current ≤ 1.0 mA
- yellow (flashing) = Failure ≤ 1.0 mA

### 6.3 Function table

**Level switch OPTISWITCH 3100 C**

The following table provides an overview of the switching conditions depending on the set mode and the level.

**Note:**
The mode setting on the NAMUR amplifier must be selected in such a way that the switching output takes on safe state in case of failure (I ≤ 1 mA).

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>Level</th>
<th>Signal current - Sensor</th>
<th>Control lamp</th>
</tr>
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<tbody>
<tr>
<td>Falling characteristics max.</td>
<td>≥ 2.2 mA</td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Falling characteristics max.</td>
<td>≤ 1 mA</td>
<td></td>
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</table>
## 6 Setup

<table>
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<tr>
<th></th>
<th>Level</th>
<th>Signal current - Sensor</th>
<th>Control lamp</th>
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</thead>
<tbody>
<tr>
<td>Rising characteristics min.</td>
<td><img src="level1.png" alt="Image" /></td>
<td>≥ 2.2 mA</td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Rising characteristics min.</td>
<td><img src="level2.png" alt="Image" /></td>
<td>≤ 1 mA</td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Fault</td>
<td>any</td>
<td>≤ 1 mA</td>
<td>flashes</td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>

### 6.4 Proof test (SIL)

According to IEC 61508.

The OPTISWITCH 3100 C is qualified for use in measuring chains of level SIL2 according to IEC 61508 (redundant, level SIL3).

**SIL**

The following instrument combinations meet the requirements according to SIL:

- OPTISWITCH 3100 C
- Oscillator WE60N

**Proof test**

The proof test according to IEC 61508 can be carried out by pushing the simulation key on the electronics module or by briefly (> 2 seconds) interrupting the cable to the sensor. The correct sequence of the switching conditions must be monitored via the switching amplifier as well as the connected systems. The sensor must neither be removed nor response must be triggered by filling the vessel. This applies to OPTISWITCH 3100 C with NAMUR electronics module WE60N.

You can carry out the function test with the outputted current values also directly via a safety PLC or a process control system.

**Simulation key on the electronics module**

A function test can be carried out for measurement setups in conjunction with the NAMUR electronics module WE60N. For this purpose, the switching delay must be set to 0.5 s. OPTISWITCH 3100 C has an integrated simulation key. The simulation key is lowered on the electronics module. Push the simulation key for > 2 seconds.

If OPTISWITCH 3100 C is connected to an SPLC, you have to interrupt the connection cable to the sensor for > 2 seconds.

After releasing the simulation key or briefly interrupting the connection cable to the sensor, you can check the complete measuring system on correct function. A switching procedure is simulated during the test.
Check if all the switching conditions occur in the correct sequence and the stated time period. If this is not the case, there is a fault in the measuring system. Keep in mind that connected instruments are activated during the function test. This allows you to check the correct function of the measuring system.

**Note:**
Keep in mind that the starting time \( t_A \) of the voltage supply can extend the time up to the first switching.

### Test procedure

After releasing the button or after a brief line break.

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>( t_A )</th>
<th>Sensor current</th>
<th>Level relay amplifier - overflow protection</th>
<th>Level relay amplifier - dry run protection</th>
<th>Signal lamp amplifier - overflow protection</th>
<th>Signal lamp amplifier - dry run protection</th>
<th>Signal lamp - sensor</th>
</tr>
</thead>
<tbody>
<tr>
<td>1. Low Current ((3 , \text{s} \pm 1 , \text{s}))</td>
<td>( \leq 1 , \text{mA} )</td>
<td>energized</td>
<td>currentless</td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>2. High Current ((1.5 , \text{s} \pm 0.5 , \text{s}))</td>
<td>approx. ( \geq 2.2 , \text{mA} )</td>
<td>currentless</td>
<td>energized</td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>3. Return to the actual operating condition</td>
<td></td>
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</table>

You can carry out the function test with the stated current values also directly with a safety PLC or a process control system.
# 7 Maintenance and fault rectification

## 7.1 Maintenance

If the device is used properly, no special maintenance is required in normal operation.

## 7.2 Rectify faults

The operator of the system is responsible for taking suitable measures to rectify faults.

### Causes of malfunction

OPTISWITCH 3100 C offers maximum reliability. Nevertheless, faults can occur during operation. These may be caused by the following, e.g.:

- Sensor
- Process
- Voltage supply
- Signal processing

### Fault rectification

The first measure to take is to check the output signal. In many cases, the causes can be determined this way and the faults quickly rectified.

### Checking the switching signal

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>Error</th>
<th>Reason</th>
<th>Rectification</th>
</tr>
</thead>
<tbody>
<tr>
<td>OPTISWITCH 3100 C signals &quot;covered&quot; without being submerged (overfill protection)</td>
<td>Operating voltage too low</td>
<td>Check operating voltage</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>OPTISWITCH 3100 C signals &quot;uncovered&quot; when being submerged (dry run protection)</td>
<td>Electronics defective</td>
<td>Press the characteristic reversal switch. If the instrument then changes the mode, the vibrating element may be covered with buildup or mechanically damaged. Should the switching function in the correct mode still be faulty, return the instrument for repair.</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Unfavourable installation location</td>
<td>Mount the instrument at a location in the vessel where no dead zones or air bubbles can form.</td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Buildup on the vibrating element</td>
<td>Check the vibrating element and the sensor for buildup and remove the buildup if there is any.</td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Wrong characteristic selected</td>
<td>Set the correct characteristics on the characteristics reversal switch (overflow protection, dry run protection). Wiring should be carried out according to the idle current principle.</td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Signal lamp flashes yellow</td>
<td>Error on the vibrating element</td>
<td>Check if the vibrating element is damaged or extremely corroded.</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Interference on the electronics module</td>
<td>Exchanging the electronics module</td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Instrument defective</td>
<td>Exchange the instrument or send it in for repair</td>
<td></td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>

### Reaction after fault rectification

Depending on the reason for the fault and the measures taken, the steps described in chapter "Set up" may have to be carried out again.
7.3 Exchanging the electronics module

In general, all electronics modules of series WE60 can be interchanged. If you want to use an electronics module with a different signal output, you can download the corresponding operating instructions manual from our homepage under Downloads.

With Ex-d instruments, the housing cover may only be opened if there is no explosive atmosphere present.

Proceed as follows:
1. Switch off power supply
2. Unscrew the housing lid
3. Lift the opening levers of the terminals with a screwdriver
4. Pull the connection cables out of the terminals
5. Loosen the two screws with a screw driver (Torx size T10 or slot 4)

![Fig. 29: Loosen the holding screws]

1. Electronics module
2. Screws (2 pcs.)

6. Pull out the old electronics module
7. Compare the new electronics module with the old one. The type label of the electronics module must correspond to that of the old electronics module. This applies particularly to instruments used in hazardous areas.
8. Compare the settings of the two electronics modules. Set the adjustment elements of the new electronics module to the same setting of the old one.

Information:
Make sure that the housing is not rotated during the electronics exchange. Otherwise the plug may be in a different position later.

9. Insert the electronics module carefully. Make sure that the plug is in the correct position.
10. Screw in and tighten the two holding screws with a screwdriver (Torx size T10 or Phillips 4)
11. Insert the wire ends into the open terminals according to the wiring plan
12. Press down the opening levers of the terminals, you will hear the terminal spring closing
13. Check the hold of the wires in the terminals by lightly pulling on them
14. Check cable gland on tightness. The seal ring must completely encircle the cable.
15. Screw the housing lid back on

The electronics exchange is now finished.

7.4 Instrument repair

If a repair is necessary, please proceed as follows:

On our homepage in the Internet under

you can download a return form.

By doing this you help us carry out the repair quickly and without having to call back for needed information.

- Print and fill out one form per instrument
- Clean the instrument and pack it damage-proof
- Attach the completed form and possibly also a safety data sheet to the instrument
8 Dismount

8.1 Dismounting steps

**Warning:**
Before dismounting, be aware of dangerous process conditions such as e.g. pressure in the vessel, high temperatures, corrosive or toxic products etc.

Take note of chapters "Mounting" and "Connecting to power supply" and carry out the listed steps in reverse order.

With Ex instruments, the housing cover may only be opened if there is no explosive atmosphere present.

8.2 Disposal

The instrument consists of materials which can be recycled by specialised recycling companies. We use recyclable materials and have designed the electronics to be easily separable.

**WEEE directive 2002/96/EG**
This instrument is not subject to the WEEE directive 2002/96/EG and the respective national laws. Pass the instrument directly on to a specialised recycling company and do not use the municipal collecting points. These may be used only for privately used products according to the WEEE directive.

Correct disposal avoids negative effects on humans and the environment and ensures recycling of useful raw materials.

Materials: see chapter "Technical data"

If you have no way to dispose of the old instrument properly, please contact us concerning return and disposal.
9 Supplement

9.1 Technical data

General data

Material 316L corresponds to 1.4404 or 1.4435

Materials, wetted parts
- Process fitting - thread 316L
- Process fitting - flange 316L
- Process seal Klingersil C-4400
- Tuning fork 316L
- Extension tube ø 43 mm (1.7 in) 316L

Materials, non-wetted parts
- Plastic housing plastic PBT (Polyester)
- Aluminium die-cast housing Aluminium die-casting A1Si10Mg, powder-coated - basis: Polyester
- Stainless steel housing (precision casting) 316L
- Stainless steel housing (electropolished) 316L
- Seal between housing and housing lid Silicone
- Light guide in housing cover (plastic) PMMA (Makrolon)
- Ground terminal 316L
- Cable gland PA, stainless steel, brass
- Sealing, cable gland NBR
- Blind plug, cable gland PA

Process fittings
- Pipe thread, cylindrical (DIN 3852-A) G1½
- Pipe thread, conical (ASME B1.20.1) 1½ NPT

Instrument weight (depending on process fitting) 0.8 ... 4 kg (0.18 ... 8.82 lbs)

Max. lateral load 600 N (135 lbf)

Fig. 30: Max. lateral load alongside fork side (narrow fork side)
Torque for NPT cable glands and Conduit tubes

- Plastic housing max. 10 Nm (7.376 lbf ft)
- Aluminium/Stainless steel housing max. 50 Nm (36.88 lbf ft)

Output variable

Output Two-wire NAMUR output

Current consumption

- Falling characteristics (max.) ≥ 2.2 mA uncovered/≤ 1.0 mA covered
- Rising characteristics (min.) ≤ 1.0 mA uncovered/≥ 2.2 mA covered
- Fault message ≤ 1.0 mA

Necessary processing system NAMUR processing system according to IEC 60947-5-6 (EN 50227/DIN 19234)

Modes (NAMUR output adjustable to falling or rising characteristics)

- Min. rising characteristic curve (High current when immersed)
- Max. falling characteristics (Low current when immersed)

Ambient conditions

Ambient temperature on the housing -40 ... +80 °C (-40 ... +176 °F)
Storage and transport temperature -40 ... +80 °C (-40 ... +176 °F)

Process conditions

Measured variable Limit level of solids
Process pressure -1 ... 25 bar/-100 ... 2500 kPa (-14.5 ... 363 psig)
OPTISWITCH 3100 C of 316L -50 ... +150 °C (-58 ... +302 °F)
Process temperature (thread or flange temperature) with temperature adapter (option) -50 ... +250 °C (-58 ... +482 °F)
**Fig. 31: Ambient temperature - Process temperature**

1. **Process temperature**
2. **Ambient temperature**
3. **Temperature range with temperature adapter**

**Product density**
- Standard sensitivity: > 0.02 g/cm³ (0.0007 lbs/in³)
- High sensitivity: > 0.008 g/cm³ (0.0003 lbs/in³)

**Granular size**
max. 10 mm (0.4 in)

**Electromechanical data**

**Cable entry/plug**
- Single chamber housing
  - 1 x cable gland M20 x 1.5 (cable: ø 5 … 9 mm), 1 x blind plug M20 x 1.5
  - 1 x closing cap ½ NPT, 1 x blind plug ½ NPT
  - 1 x plug (depending on the version), 1 x blind stopper M20 × 1.5

**Spring-loaded terminals**
for wire cross-section up to 1.5 mm² (AWG 16)

**Adjustment elements**

**Mode switch**
- Min. rising characteristic curve (High current when immersed)
- Max. falling characteristics (Low current when immersed)

**Potentiometer for switching point adaptation**
0.02 … 0.1 g/cm³ (0.0007 … 0.036 lbs/in³)

**Simulation key**
simulation of a line break between sensor and processing unit

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1) Depending on the version M12 x 1, according to ISO 4400, Harting, 7/8" FF.
### Voltage supply

Operating voltage (characteristics according to standard) for connection to an amplifier according to NAMUR IEC 60947-5-6, approx. 8.2 V

Off-load voltage $U_0$ approx. 8.2 V

Short-circuit current $I_0$ approx. 8.2 mA

### Electrical protective measures

Protection rating IP 66/IP 67 (NEMA Type 4X)

Protection class II

### Approvals

Depending on the version, instruments with approvals can have different technical data. For these instruments, please note the corresponding approval documents. They are included in the scope of delivery.

### 9.2 Dimensions

**OPTISWITCH 3100 C**

![Diagram of OPTISWITCH 3100 C]

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**Fig. 32: Housing versions**

1. Plastic single chamber
2. Stainless steel single chamber
3. Aluminium - single chamber
Fig. 33: OPTISWITCH 3100 C, threaded version G1½ (DIN ISO 228/1)

Fig. 34: Temperature adapter
9.3 Trademark
All the brands as well as trade and company names used are property of their lawful proprietor/originator.
KROHNE product overview

- Electromagnetic flowmeters
- Variable area flowmeters
- Ultrasonic flowmeters
- Mass flowmeters
- Vortex flowmeters
- Flow controllers
- Level meters
- Temperature assemblies
- Pressure transmitters
- Analysis products
- Products and systems for the oil and gas industry