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1 Safety Instructions

1.1 Intended Use

The measuring device described in this operating instruction manual is used for the level measurement. It can be used for applications such as water treatment and monitoring, food processing, pharmaceutical and wastewater industry.

1.2 Safety Instructions from the Manufacturer

1.2.1 Disclaimer

The manufacturer will not be held accountable for any damage that happens by using its product, including, but not limited to direct, indirect, or incidental and consequential damages.

Any product purchased from the manufacturer is warranted in accordance with the relevant product documentation and our Terms and Conditions of Sale.

The manufacturer has the right to modify the content of this document, including the disclaimer, at any time for any reason without prior notice, and will not be answerable in any way for the possible consequence of such changes.

1.2.2 Product Liability and Warranty

The operator shall bear authority for the suitability of the device for the specific application. The manufacturer accepts no liability for the consequences of misuse by the operator. Wrong installation or operation of the devices (systems) will cause the warranty to be void. The respective Terms and Conditions of Sale, which forms the basis for the sales contract shall also apply.

1.2.3 Information Concerning the Documentation

To prevent any injury to the operator or damage to the device it is essential to read the information in this document and the applicable national standard safety instructions. This operating manual contain all the information that is required in various stages, such as product identification, incoming acceptance and storage, mounting, connection, operation and commissioning, troubleshooting, maintenance, and disposal.

1.3 Safety Precautions

You must read these instructions carefully prior to installing and commissioning the device. These instructions are an important part of the product and must be kept for future reference. Only by observing these instructions, optimum protection of both personnel and the environment, as well as safe and fault-free operation of the device can be ensured.

For additional information that are not discussed in this manual, contact the manufacturer.
Warnings and Symbols Used

The following safety symbol marks are used in this operation manual and on the instrument.

**WARNING**

 Indicates a potentially hazardous situation which, if not avoided, could result in death or serious injury

**CAUTION**

 Indicates a potentially hazardous situation which, if not avoided, may result in minor or moderate injury. It may also be used to alert against unsafe practices.

**NOTE**

 Indicates that operating the hardware or software in this manner may damage it or lead to system failure.

1.4 Packaging, Transportation, and Storage

1.4.1 Packaging

The original package consists of

1. Tek-Sound 4200A Ultrasonic Level Transmitter
2. Documentation
3. Packing Box
1.4.2 Transportation
- Avoid impact shocks to the device and prevent it from getting wet during transportation.
- Verify local safety regulations, directives, and company procedures with respect to hoisting, rigging, and transportation of heavy equipment.
- Transport the product to the installation site using the original manufacturer’s packing whenever possible.

1.4.3 Storage
If this product is to be stored for a long period of time before installation, take the following precautions:
- Store your product in the manufacturer’s original packing used for shipping.
- Storage location should conform to the following requirements:
  - Free from rain and water
  - Free from vibration and impact shock
  - At room temperature with minimal temperature and humidity variation
- Before storing a used flowmeter remove any fluid from the flowmeter line completely. Properties of the instrument can change when stored outdoors.

1.5 Nameplate
The nameplate lists the order number and other important information, such as design details and technical data

Note
Check the device nameplate to ensure that the device is delivered according to your order. Check for the correct supply voltage printed on the nameplate.

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**Model No.**

**Supply Voltage**

**SN**

**IP Class**

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2 Product Description
This section covers the reference and specification data, as well as ordering information.

2.1 Introduction
Tek-Sound 4200A Ultrasonic Level Transmitters have commonly used level measurement instruments used in several industries for the continuous measurement of the level and volume of different media in open and closed tanks and for flow measurement in open channels. They are a cost-effective, reliable, and accurate solution in a wide array of applications involving both solids and liquids. Since they are non-contact devices, they require minimal maintenance and suffer minimal wear and tear. Additionally, this also ensures that they can be used under difficult process conditions.

2.2 Measuring Principle
An ultrasonic transmitter measures the level of a medium based on the propagation time of sound waves between a transducer and the surface of the medium. It consists of a transducer with a piezoelectric crystal that converts the electrical energy generated by the transmitter into sound waves. These sound waves are transmitted towards the surface of the medium and reflected back to the transducer where the piezoelectric crystal then converts them into an electrical signal. The transmitter measures the time taken by the waves to be emitted and reflected by the surface and return to the transducer. The distance between the transmitter and the medium surface is then calculated using the time of flight of the waves and the speed of sound. The distance is therefore calculated using the following formula:

\[
Distance = \frac{(Speed \ of \ Sound \ * \ Time \ of \ Flight)}{2}
\]
2.3 Specifications

2.3.1 Operational Specifications

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>Specification</th>
<th>Details</th>
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<tr>
<td>Accuracy</td>
<td>+/-0.10% of max. range (in a lab using 4-20 mA current output) +/-.0.25% of max. range (typically in a field)</td>
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<tr>
<td>Response time</td>
<td>Standard unit 2 - 3 echos / sec.</td>
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<td></td>
<td>Fast protocol 10 - 30 echos / sec.</td>
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<tr>
<td>Beam angle</td>
<td>10-12° at -3dB</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Loss of echo</td>
<td>Hold 1 min., 22 mA or 2 mA outputs</td>
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<tr>
<td>Temperature</td>
<td>Inbuilt</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Compensation</td>
<td>Push-button or programmable via optional communications port</td>
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<tr>
<td>Calibrations</td>
<td>(Echo profile) via communications port</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Temperature</td>
<td>40 to 140°F (-40 to 60°C) continuous operation</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Pressure</td>
<td>5 bar max. using high temperature &amp; pressure sensor</td>
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2.3.2 Electrical Specifications

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<thead>
<tr>
<th>Power</th>
<th>AC</th>
<th>115 VAC 60 Hz or 230 VAC 50 Hz (+/-20%), 1.7 VA</th>
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<tr>
<td></td>
<td>DC</td>
<td>12 to 30 VDC, 0.07 A max. at 24 VDC R load = (Vs - 6) / 24 mA</td>
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Output  | RS232 or RS485 or 4 to 20 mA

2.3.3 Mechanical Specifications

<table>
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<th>Specification</th>
<th>Details</th>
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<tr>
<td>Conduit entry</td>
<td>½&quot;NPT hole (PVC conduit only)</td>
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<tr>
<td>Enclosure</td>
<td>PVC-94V0 or aluminium</td>
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<tr>
<td>Ingress protection</td>
<td>NEMA 6 (IP68)</td>
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## 2.4 Dimensional Drawings

![Diagram of a 3 & 4 wire ultrasonic transmitter with dimensions labeled.](image)

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>Model</th>
<th>Operating Range</th>
<th>Operating frequency</th>
<th>Mounting thread</th>
<th>Dimension“ A” (ft)</th>
<th>Dimension“ B” (ft)</th>
<th>Dimension“ D” (ft)</th>
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<tr>
<td>4200A-045ULCX</td>
<td>720&quot; (60 ft)</td>
<td>45 KHz</td>
<td>3&quot;</td>
<td>7.75&quot; (0.64 ft)</td>
<td>3.0&quot;</td>
<td>3.0&quot;</td>
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<tr>
<td>4200A-052ULCX</td>
<td>600&quot; (50 ft)</td>
<td>52 KHz</td>
<td>3&quot;</td>
<td>9.3&quot; (0.77 ft)</td>
<td>3.05&quot;</td>
<td>2.2&quot;</td>
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<tr>
<td>4200A-070ULCX</td>
<td>360&quot; (30 ft)</td>
<td>70 KHz</td>
<td>3&quot;</td>
<td>8.5&quot; (0.70 ft)</td>
<td>2.25&quot;</td>
<td>1.8&quot;</td>
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<tr>
<td>4200A-080ULCX</td>
<td>240&quot; (20 ft)</td>
<td>80 KHz</td>
<td>3&quot;</td>
<td>8.5&quot; (0.70 ft)</td>
<td>2.25&quot;</td>
<td>1.8&quot;</td>
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<tr>
<td>4200A-081ULCX</td>
<td>190&quot; (16 ft)</td>
<td>81 KHz</td>
<td>3&quot;</td>
<td>8.4&quot; (0.70 ft)</td>
<td>2.1&quot;</td>
<td>1.5&quot;</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>4200A-148ULCX</td>
<td>108&quot; (9 ft)</td>
<td>148 KHz</td>
<td>1&quot;</td>
<td>8.25&quot; (0.68 ft)</td>
<td>2.0&quot;</td>
<td>1.1&quot;</td>
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3 Installation
This section covers instructions on installation and commissioning. Installation of the device must be carried out by trained, qualified specialists authorized to perform such works.

CAUTION

- When removing the instrument from hazardous processes, avoid direct contact with the fluid and the meter
- All installation must comply with local installation requirements and local electrical code

3.1 Installation Procedure
This section provides the information concerning installation of the transmitter for safe operation. It provides the procedures and instruction for mounting, transmitter functions, and installation in specific applications.

3.1.1 Installation on tanks with obstruction
During installation make sure that you do not have any large objects in front of transducer or antenna.
3.1.2 Installation on tanks with domed top

3.2 Installation on vessels with conical bottom
In vessels with conical bottom, it can be advantageous to mount the sensor in the centre of the vessel, as measurement is then possible down to the lowest point of the vessel bottom.

3.3 Installation on vessels with inflowing medium
Do not mount instruments in or above the filling stream. Make sure that you detect the product surface, not the inflowing product.
4 Electrical Connection
This section covers the all electrical connection requirement. Electrical connection of the device must be carried out by trained, qualified specialists authorized to perform such work by the installation site.

**WARNING**

- Connect all electrical cables when the power is switched off. If the device does not have switch-off elements, then, overcurrent protection devices, lightning protection and/or energy isolating devices must be provided by the customer.
- The device must be grounded to a spot in accordance with regulations in order to protect personnel against electric shocks.

**NOTE**

- When using the measuring device in hazardous areas, installation must comply with the corresponding national standards and regulations and the Safety Instructions or Installation or Control Drawings.

4.1 Power Supply Connection

| For AC Sensor —  
| --- |
| Power: 3 Wire unshielded 22 AWG, 300 V Hook-up Wire  
| Current Output: 1 Pair shielded 24 AWG, 300 V Hook-up Wire  
| Communication: 1 Pair shielded 24 AWG, 300 V Hook-up Wire |
For DC Sensor —
Power & Current output 3 Wire shielded 24 AWG, 300 V
Communication 1 Pair shielded 24 AWG, 300 V

**NOTE**
- Ground shield at one end only
- All terminal block wiring must be rated for 250V
- Power input wiring must be protected by a 15A double pole circuit breaker

### 4.2 Connection to the RS232

![Diagram of RS232 connection]

**NOTE**
Connect the Shield to terminal #4
4.3 Connection to the RS485

NOTE

Connect the Shield to terminal #4

4.4 Connection of communication port with PC

CONNECT TO SERIAL PORT OF PC, USE EXTENSION CABLE LENGTH

To Power Source

\( \frac{1}{8} \text{ PVC Conduit only for PVC Housings. Metal Conduit not recommended except for Metal Housing.} \)
Configuration
This section covers the configuration and calibration of Tek-Sound 4200A Ultrasonic Level Transmitter.

NOTE
Please calibrate the instrument according the instructions given in this section, otherwise it could lead to measurement error.

4.5 Inside Tank Calibration
Follow the following guidelines for calibrating a tank using 4 mA to 20 mA or 20 mA to 4 mA output.

FULL- Calibrate 20 mA or 4mA (Set Near Target)
- Calibration mode LED colour is Blinking Green.
- Push button and hold until LED turns Yellow (20 mA) or push button and hold until LED turns Red (4 mA)
- Release button at Yellow or Red and observe LED -ashes to acknowledge the calibration.
**EMPTY- Calibrate 4 mA or 20 mA (Set Far Target)**
- Calibration mode LED colour is Blinking Green
- Push button and hold until LED turns Red (4 mA) or push button and hold until LED turns Yellow (20 mA)
- Release button at Yellow or Red and observe LED flashes to acknowledge the calibration

**LOSS OF ECHO—22 mA or 3.5 mA**
- To choose 22mA press and hold button until the light goes off—2 flashes
- To choose 3.5mA press and hold button until the light goes off—1 flash

4.6 **Outside Tank Calibration**
- For calibration of an Empty Tank (4 mA calibration), position the level device at a distance to a target equal to your empty tank level.
- For Full Tank Calibration (20mA Calibration) place the level device at a distance equal to a full tank.
- In case of the radar do the positioning for a full tank when the radar is off. Make sure the antenna is perpendicular to the metal target. After that, turn the unit on and wait a few seconds until the GREEN light is ON.
- The push button operation is explained in the Inside Tank Calibration (Section 5.1).
5 Maintenance
This section covers maintenance techniques and guidelines.

Occasionally check the transmitter face to ensure it remains clean and check that the cover seal, wiring, and cable glands are in good condition.
6 Troubleshooting
This section provides troubleshooting techniques for most common operating problems.

6.1 Mounting Influence

- **Tank level stays the same**
  - Use Aimer with thick rubber gasket

- **In “ECHO PROFILE” The signal look cluttered at a close distance**
  - Rubber Boot with SS Hose clamps
  - Use plastic (NYLON, PVC) to decouple the sensor from tank mounting
6.2 Standpipe Influence

Stand Pipe Influence

Receive fixed echo

45 deg.cut

Look in “ECHO PROFILE” for ripple stand pipe might be very rough inside

Install PVC insert pipe with 45 deg. cut

6.3 Dusty Application

DUSTY APPLICATIONS

Looses echo In filling conditions

Turn on “Solid/Liquid Materials”.

Change Burst Power to 90 or higher, By going to “Select Burst Power” in the “TOOLS” menu.
6.4 Condensation on Transducer Face

**CONденSATION ON TRANSДУСЕR FACE**

- Loss of echo at longer distances
- Ringing on “ECHO PROFILE”

- Turn on “Solid/Liquid Materials”
- Turn on “Vaporized Liquid High Power”

6.5 Tall Narrow Tank with Welding Joints

**TALL NARROW TANK with WELDING JOINTS**

- Multiple echoes in “ECHO PROFILE”
- Fixed echo

- Turn on “Solid/Liquid Materials”
- Set Burst Power to 3 By going to “TOOLS” and “SELECT BURST” POWER
6.6 Ultrasonic on Crude Oil

Not accurate reading

Shows longer distance than it is in reality due to H2S present

Use Radar
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