

Gas density monitor with reference chamber

Model GDM-RC-100

WIKA data sheet SP 60.27



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Applications

- High-voltage equipment
- Gas density monitoring of SF₆ gas in closed gas tanks
- Raising an alarm when defined limit values have been reached

Special features

- Accurate isochore, temperature-compensated switching and display over the entire temperature range
- Complete local indication of the density and vacuum range on a 100-mm dial
- Increased plant safety through self-diagnostics
- Prepared for any alternative gases
- Very high long-term stability through welded reference gas volume

Description

Gas density monitoring of electrical equipment

Gas density is a crucial operating parameter for high-voltage plants. If the required gas density is not present, safe operation of the plant cannot be guaranteed.

The gas density monitor model GDM-RC-100 warns reliably when the gas density, due to leakage, drops below the established values, even under extreme ambient conditions.

Functional principle

The model GDM-RC-100 works according to the reference gas principle. The reference gas enables accurate isochore switching and display over the entire temperature range. Temperature changes and atmospheric pressure variations do not affect the measurement.

Everything at a glance

As in the case of the gas density monitor model GDM-100, for the model GDM-RC-100, WIKA also relies on the proven principle of a readily legible indication. The entire density and vacuum range can be displayed locally on only one dial with



Gas density monitor with reference chamber,
model GDM-RC-100

high accuracy. This increases safety during maintenance and service work on switchgear and simplifies implementation of this type of work.

Maximum plant safety through self-diagnostics

The welded reference chamber enables a very high long-term stability and eliminates drift. In the extremely unlikely case of leakage in the reference chamber, the plant manager is reliably warned by a switching signal of the instrument. The gas density monitor is maintenance-free.

Prepared for alternative gases

The model GDM-RC-100 can be used for any type of alternative gases and is capable of accurate isochore switching of these gases without any temperature effect.

Specifications

| Basic information | |
|--|--------------------------------------|
| Nominal size of the optical indication | 100 mm [3.94 in] |
| Window | Laminated safety glass |
| Case and cover | Aluminium die-casting, powder-coated |

| Measuring element | |
|---------------------------|---|
| Type of measuring element | Bellows measuring system with reference chamber |

Accuracy specifications

| Indication accuracy | |
|--|---|
| Calibration pressure established by means of reference isochore, generated by Prof. Bier | |
| -1 ... +5 bar at 20 °C [-14.50 ... +72.51 psi at 68 °F] | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ ±70 mbar [±1.01 psi] at calibration pressure at 20 °C [68 °F], gaseous phase ■ ±100 mbar [±1.45 psi] at calibration pressure at -30 ... +50 °C [-22 ... +122 °F], gaseous phase |
| -1 ... +9 bar at 20 °C [-14.50 ... +130.53 psi at 68 °F] | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ ±100 mbar [±1.45 psi] at calibration pressure at 20 °C [68 °F], gaseous phase ■ ±150 mbar [±2.17 psi] at calibration pressure at -30 ... +50 °C [-22 ... +122 °F], gaseous phase |
| -1 ... +11.5 bar at 20 °C [-14.50 ... +166.79 psi at 68 °F] | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ ±150 mbar [±2.17 psi] at calibration pressure at 20 °C [68 °F], gaseous phase ■ ±200 mbar [±2.90 psi] at calibration pressure at -30 ... +50 °C [-22 ... +122 °F], gaseous phase |

| Accuracies of the switch point | |
|--|---|
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| Switch hysteresis | Measuring range | Hysteresis level |
|--|--|--|
| | -1 ... +5 bar at 20 °C [-14.50 ... +72.51 psi at 68 °F] | Typically < 90 mbar ¹⁾ [< 1.30 psi] |
| -1 ... +7.5 bar at 20 °C [-14.50 ... +108.77 psi at 68 °F] | Typically < 150 mbar ¹⁾ [< 2.17psi] | |
| -1 ... +11.5 bar at 20 °C [-14.50 ... +166.79 psi at 68 °F] | Typically < 220 mbar ¹⁾ [< 3.19psi] | |
| Lower switch hysteresis on request | | |

| Reference conditions | |
|---------------------------------|--|
| Storage temperature | -50 ... +80 °C [-58 ... +176 °F] |
| Relative humidity, condensation | ≤ 95 % r. h. (non-condensing) Compensating diaphragm against condensation |

1) In accordance with BS 6134:1991, rate of pressure change 1 % of end value per second.

| Measuring range | |
|----------------------------|---|
| Measuring range | 0 ... 12.5 bar abs. at 20 °C [0 ... 181.29 psi abs. at 68 °F] SF ₆ gas |
| Pressure limitation | |
| Minimum bursting strength | > 36 bar [522 psi] |
| Maximum overpressure | 1.43 times the measuring range |
| Dial | |
| Scale range | End of measuring range <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ 1.3 bar or 1.8 bar [18.85 psi or 26.10 psi] above the first switch point below the filling pressure ■ Numbering: Ends at 900 mbar [13.05 psi] above the first switch point below the filling pressure |
| Scale graduation | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Single scale (divided into sections of different colours) ■ Double scale (divided into sections of different colours) ■ Triple scale (divided into sections of different colours) |
| Scale colour | Custom |
| Pointer stop pin | Without |
| Material | Aluminium |
| Pointer | Aluminium, black |

| Process connection | |
|--------------------|---|
| Thread size/size | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ G ½ B per EN 837 ■ axial or radial ■ Stainless steel ■ Spanner flats 22 mm [0.86 in] Other connections and connection locations on request |

| Electrical connection | | | |
|----------------------------|---|---------------------------|---------------------------|
| Connection type | 12-pin TTI plug-in terminal | | |
| Wire cross-section | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Min. 0.5 mm² ■ Max. 2.5 mm² | | |
| Grounding | Grounding in cable socket available | | |
| Switch model | Potential-free change-over contacts | | |
| Number | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ 1 switch contact ■ 2 switch contacts ■ 3 switch contacts ■ 4 switch contacts Up to 4 switch contacts possible as change-over contact | | |
| Switching directions | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Falling density ■ Rising density | | |
| Switch points | In accordance with customer specification, maximum difference of lowest to highest contact: 4 bar [58.01 psi] | | |
| Electrical characteristics | Switching voltage [V] | Resistive load [A] | Inductive load [A] |
| | ≤ DC 30 | 5 ¹⁾ | 3 ¹⁾ |
| | ≤ DC 50 | 1 | 1 |
| | ≤ DC 75 | 0.75 | 0.75 |
| | ≤ DC 125 | 0.5 | 0.04 |
| | ≤ DC 250 | 0.25 | 0.03 |
| | ≤ AC 125 | 5 ¹⁾ | 2 ¹⁾ |
| | ≤ AC 250 | 5 ¹⁾ | 2 ¹⁾ |

1) Only to 70 °C [158 °F] ambient temperature.
At 70 ... 80 °C [158 ... 176 °F] ambient temperature, the contacts must be operated with a maximum of 1 A.

| Electrical connection | |
|---------------------------------------|---|
| Minimum switching voltage and current | 20 V, 10 mA |
| Calibration pressure | First switch point below filling pressure |
| Switching function | Change-over contact |
| Circuits | Galvanically isolated |
| Maximum number of cycles | 10,000 mechanical and electrical |
| Insulation resistance of contact | > 100 MΩ |

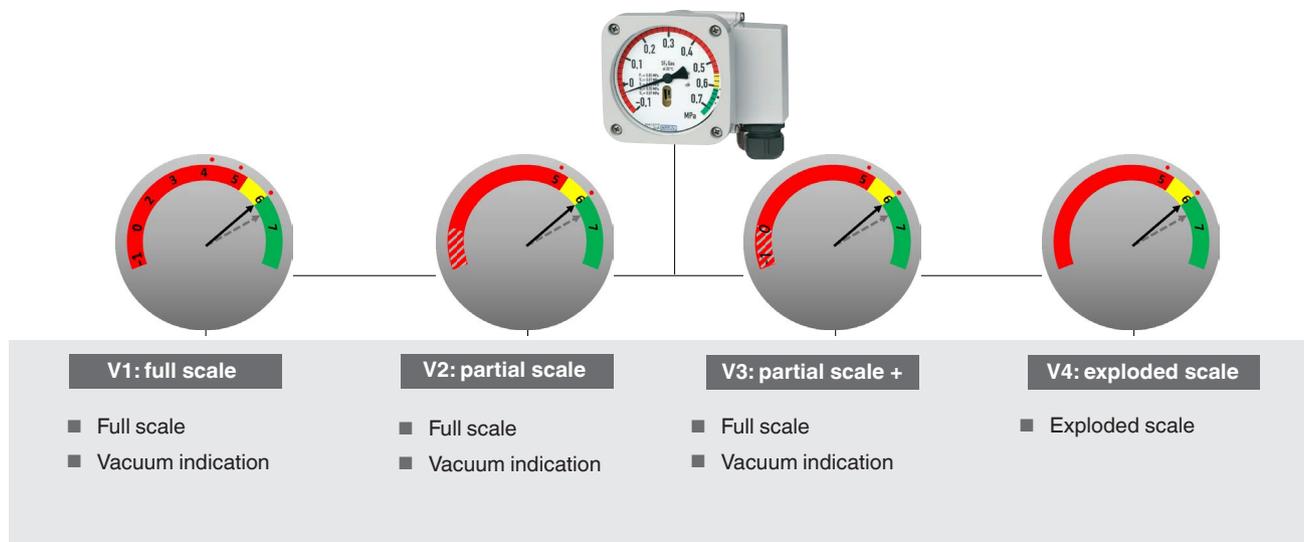
| EMC testing | |
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| Electric strength | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ 2 kV pin on grounding (case) ■ 2 kV pin on pin (switch contact to switch contact) ■ 1 kV pin on pin within the switch contact - 1 minute |

| Material | |
|--|--|
| Material (wetted) | Stainless steel |
| Material (in contact with the environment) | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Stainless steel ■ Aluminium die-casting with powder coating |

| Operating conditions | |
|---|---|
| Place of use | Indoor/Outdoor |
| Altitude | Up to 2,000 m [6,562 ft] above sea level |
| Medium temperature range / limit | -40 ... +80 °C [-40 ... +176 °F], gaseous phase |
| Operating temperature | -40 ... +80 °C [-40 ... +176 °F], gaseous phase |
| Ambient temperature range / limit | -40 ... +80 °C [-40 ... +176 °F], gaseous phase |
| Storage temperature range | -50 ... +80 °C [-58 ... +176 °F] |
| Relative humidity, condensation | ≤ 95 % r. h. (non-condensing) |
| Helium leak test | < 1*10 ⁻⁸ mbar*/s |
| Shock resistance | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ 50 g/11 ms no contact bouncing at a distance of 200 mbar from the switch point ■ 150 g: no damage in all axes and directions |
| Ingress protection of the complete instrument | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ IP65 ■ IP67 |
| Permissible pollution degree | 2 (per EN 61010-1) |
| Weight in kg | < 1.25 kg [2.75 lb] |

| Packaging and instrument labelling | |
|------------------------------------|--|
| Product label | Lasered onto the reference chamber, maximum resistance to weathering |

Dial layouts



Cable gland versions

| Model | Material | Thread | Sealing range | Tightening torque | Order number |
|-----------------|----------|-----------|-----------------------------------|-------------------|--------------|
| Switch contacts | Plastic | M25 x 1.5 | 5 ... 13 mm [0.19 ... 0.51 in] | 8 Nm | 2196018 |
| | Plastic | M25 x 1.5 | 8 ... 17 mm [0.31 ... 0.66 in] | 8 Nm | 64419018 |
| | Metal | M25 x 1.5 | 9 ... 17 mm [0.35 ... 0.66 in] | 10 Nm | 64419009 |
| | Metal | M25 x 1.5 | 7 ... 12 mm [0.27 ... 0.47 in] | 10 Nm | 64423057 |

Approvals

| Logo | Description | Region |
|------|-------------------------------------|-----------------------------|
| CE | EU declaration of conformity | European Union |
| | Low Voltage Directive | |
| | RoHS directive | |
| EAC | EAC | Eurasian Economic Community |
| | Low Voltage Directive | |

Manufacturer's declaration

| Logo | Description |
|------|----------------------|
| - | China RoHS directive |

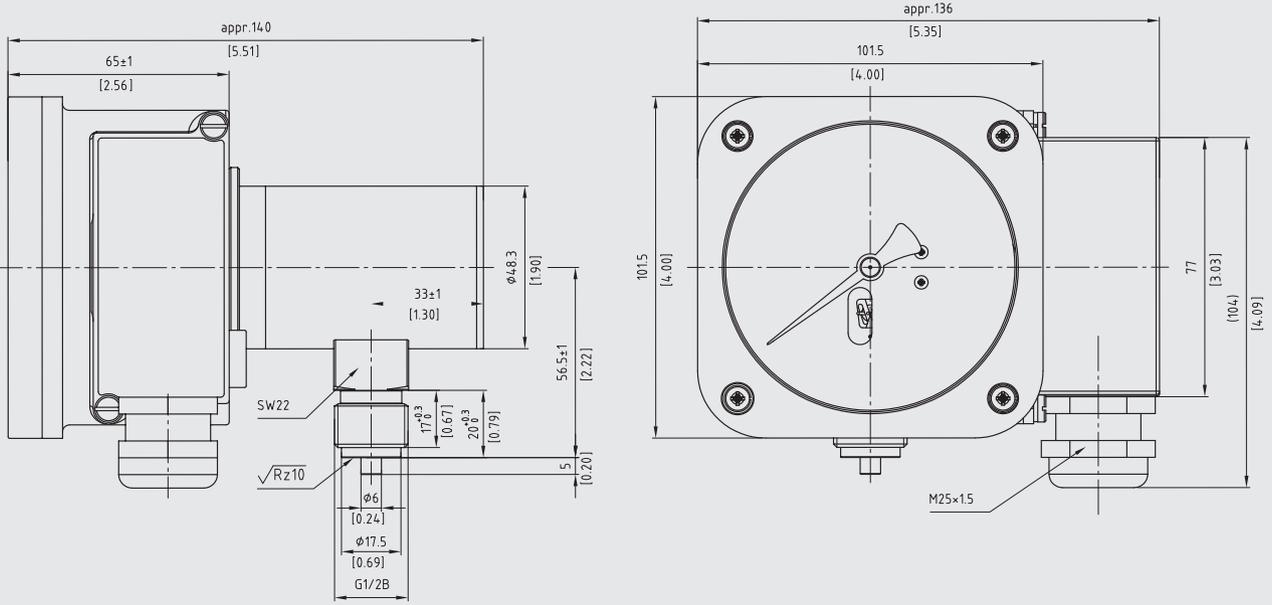
Certificates

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|---|---|
| Certificates | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ 2.2 test report per EN 10204 (e.g. state-of-the-art manufacturing, material proof, indication accuracy) ■ 3.1 inspection certificate per EN 10204 (e.g. material proof for wetted metal parts, indication accuracy, calibration certificate) |
| Calibration | Factory calibration certificate |
| Recommended calibration interval | At least every 6 years in accordance with Regulation (EU) No. 517/2014 on fluorinated greenhouse gases |

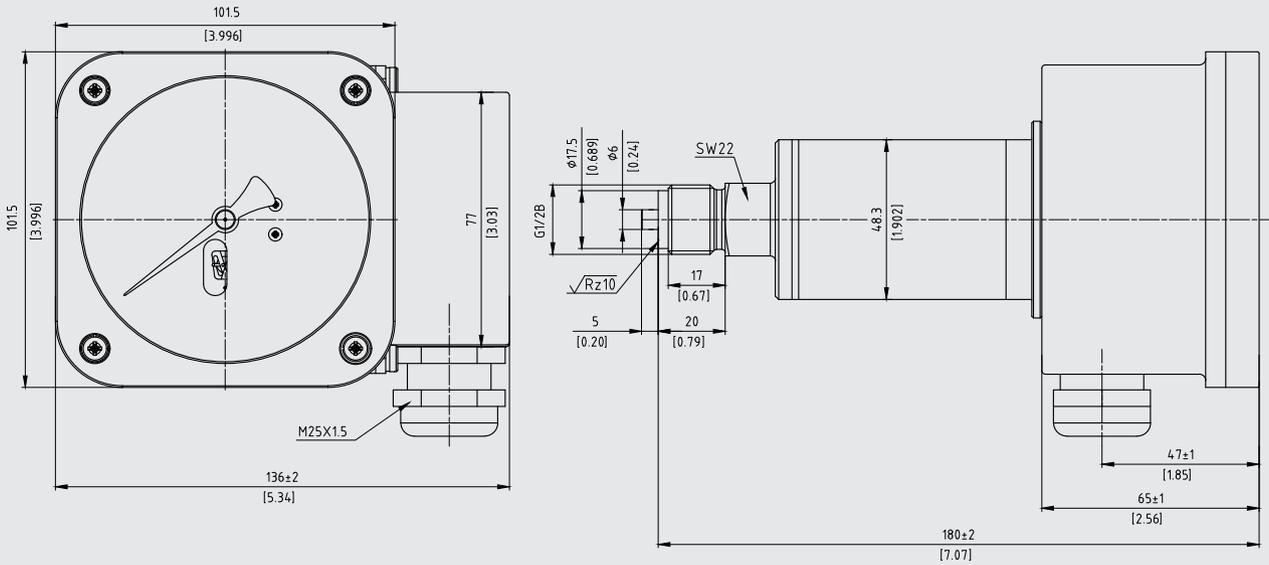
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Dimensions in mm [in]

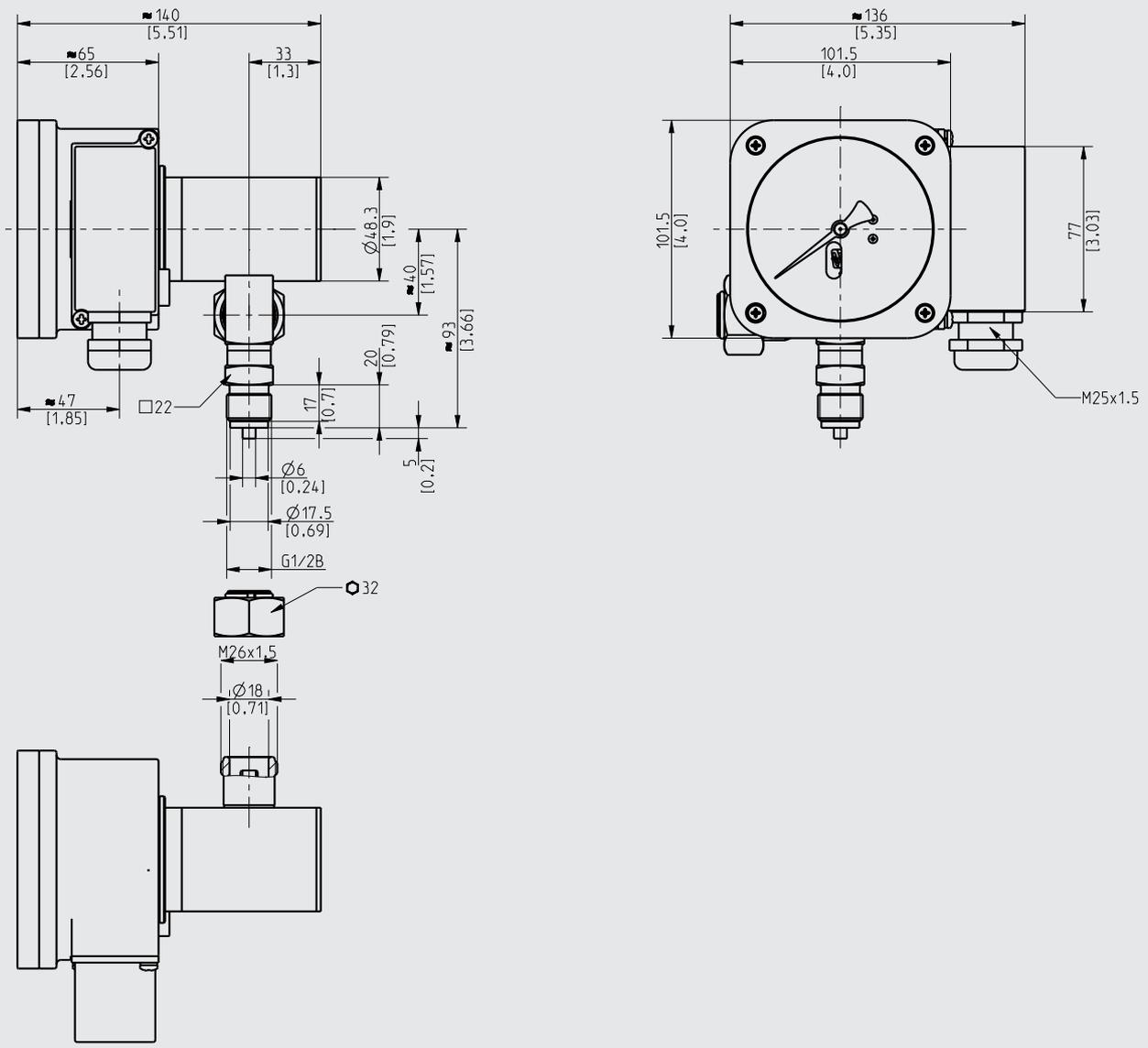
Vertical version



Back mount version



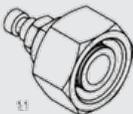
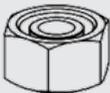
Model GDM-RC-100-T with vertical process connection G 1/2 B and recalibration valve



Accessories and spare parts

| Model | Description | Order number |
|--|---|--------------|
| Optional accessories | | |
| Recalibration valve  | Model GLTC-CV <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Enables easy recalibration of the gas density monitor without dismounting ■ Welded permanently to the instrument or available as loose valve for retrofitting | - |
| Connection cable for switching outputs | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Terminal without wiring ■ Connector mounted on the instrument side, cable with loose ends ■ Various cable lengths on request | - |

Accessories for version with calibration valve

| | Description | Order number |
|---|--|--------------|
|  | Adapter from test connection (M26 x 1.5) to quick coupling | 14146937 |
|  | Protective cap for test connection (M26 x 1.5) | 14193772 |
|  | Calibration system for SF ₆ gas density measuring instruments, model BCS-10 See WIKA data sheet SP 60.08 | - |
|  | Calibration system for SF ₆ gas density measuring instruments, model ACS-10 See WIKA data sheet SP 60.15 | - |

Ordering information

Model / Process connection and connection location / Pressure unit at 20 °C [68 °F] / Filling pressure / Number of switch points / Switch configuration at 20 °C [68 °F] / Gas mixture / Dial layout / Optional accessories

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