

Ion-Selective Electrode Monitor

Model 8232 Ammonia Monitor
Special Range 0.05 to 2000 mg l⁻¹



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1 INTRODUCTION

1.1 Description

The Model 8232 Ammonia Monitor is a microprocessor based analyser using an ABB ammonia ion-selective probe. This equipment is used for environmental water monitoring.

1.2 Training

Due to the specialised nature of the above instrument, it is recommended that, where the end users personnel have had no previous experience of maintaining this equipment, training be provided by this Company.

Such training is available via the local Company in the UK, or Overseas Agent elsewhere and may be carried out either on the users premises or at the factory.

1.3 Location and Function of Main Components – Fig. 1.1

Monitoring of any sample by ion-selective electrodes usually requires certain conditioning to be performed on the sample to allow accurate, trouble-free measurement. Such conditioning involves regulating flow, controlling temperature and adjusting chemical composition prior to presentation of the sample to the point of measurement. This monitor carries out these adjustments for each parameter in simple and easily

understood steps. The sample is presented from the user's pipework to a constant head unit and any excess is allowed to overflow. This allows sample, under controlled pressure conditions, to be presented to a multi-channel peristaltic pump which proportions sample and reagent solutions through the monitor to the mixing point. The resulting combined solution is then temperature controlled to remove the effects of sample and ambient temperature variations. The conditioned solution is then delivered to the probe, under constantly flowing conditions, where the ion measurement takes place.

The probe generates a millivolt output which is proportional to the ion concentration. This output is processed by the microprocessor-based electronics section to calculate the actual sample concentration.

To maintain optimum measurement accuracy it is necessary to introduce standard solutions of known concentration for calibration purposes. The monitor utilises solenoid valves to introduce these standard solutions automatically, at predetermined intervals, under the control of the microprocessor.

The electronics section consists of the main Microprocessor Unit situated at the top left and a User Junction Box at the top right behind the hinged case.

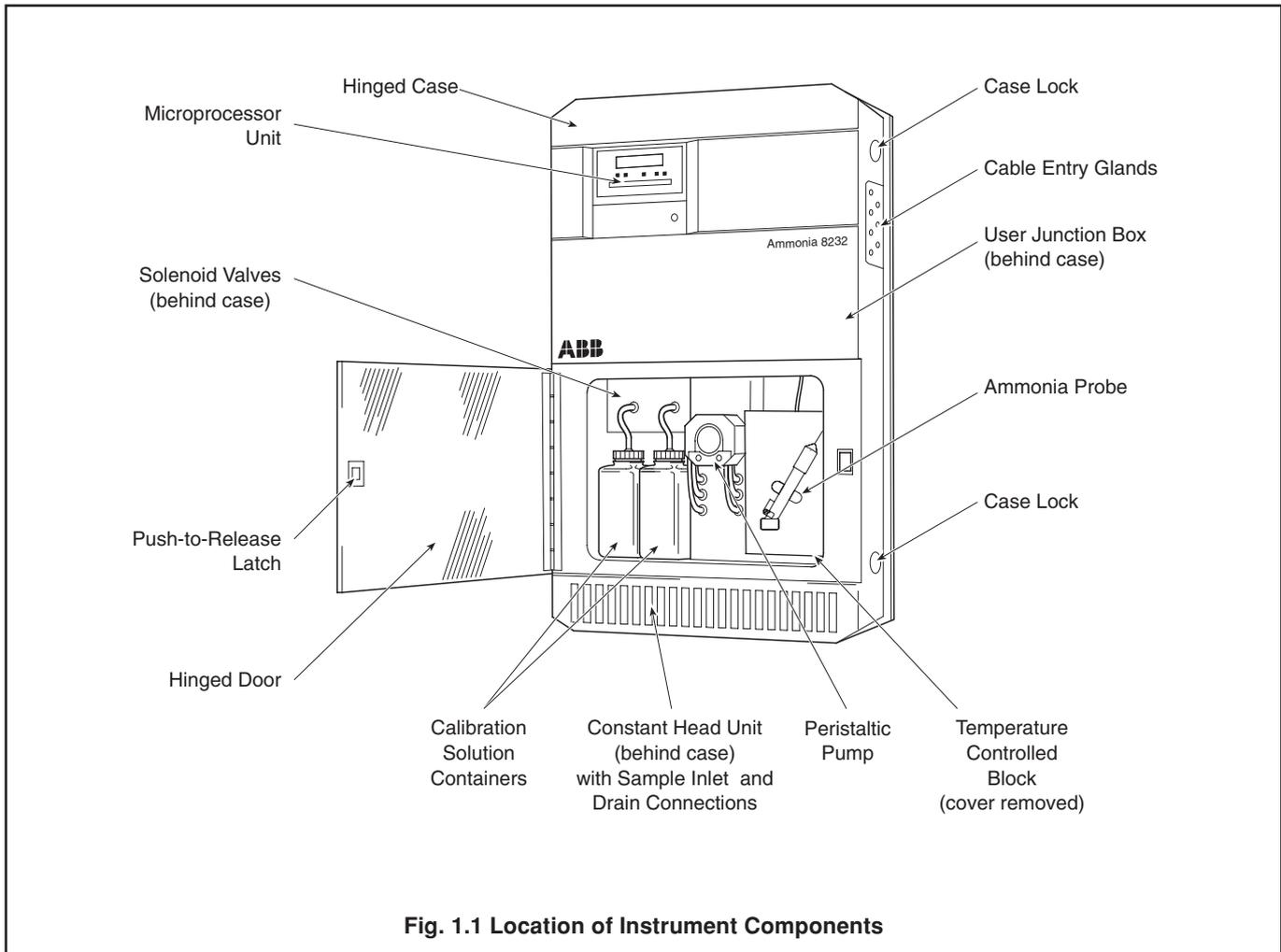


Fig. 1.1 Location of Instrument Components

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2.1 Accessories

2 x reagent bottles	1 x ammonia probe kit
4 x calibration bottles	1 x spares kit

2.2 Location

The monitor should be installed in a clean, dry, well ventilated and vibration-free location giving easy access, and where short sample lines can be used. Rooms containing corrosive gases or vapours (e.g., chlorination equipment or chlorine gas cylinders) should be avoided. It is also advisable to have adjacent drains near ground level, so that the waste outlet from the monitor can be as short as possible, together with maximum fall. Power supplies should also be adjacent. Ambient temperature: within the range 5 to 40°C.

2.3 Mounting – Fig. 2.1

The monitor has a moulded plastic case, mounted onto a flat metal panel. To provide access, the case is hinged on the left hand side and has two lockable catches on the right hand to hold the case in position in normal operation.

One keyhole slot is provided at the top of the flat panel to provide easy mounting on a wall or framework. Two further fixing holes are provided at the bottom of the flat panel. All holes are designed to take 8 mm bolts or studs.

Mains and signal cables are connected through cable glands in the User Junction Box on the right hand side with the exception of the optional serial interface which connects directly into the Microprocessor Unit. Sample and drain pipework are brought in through the bottom of the case.

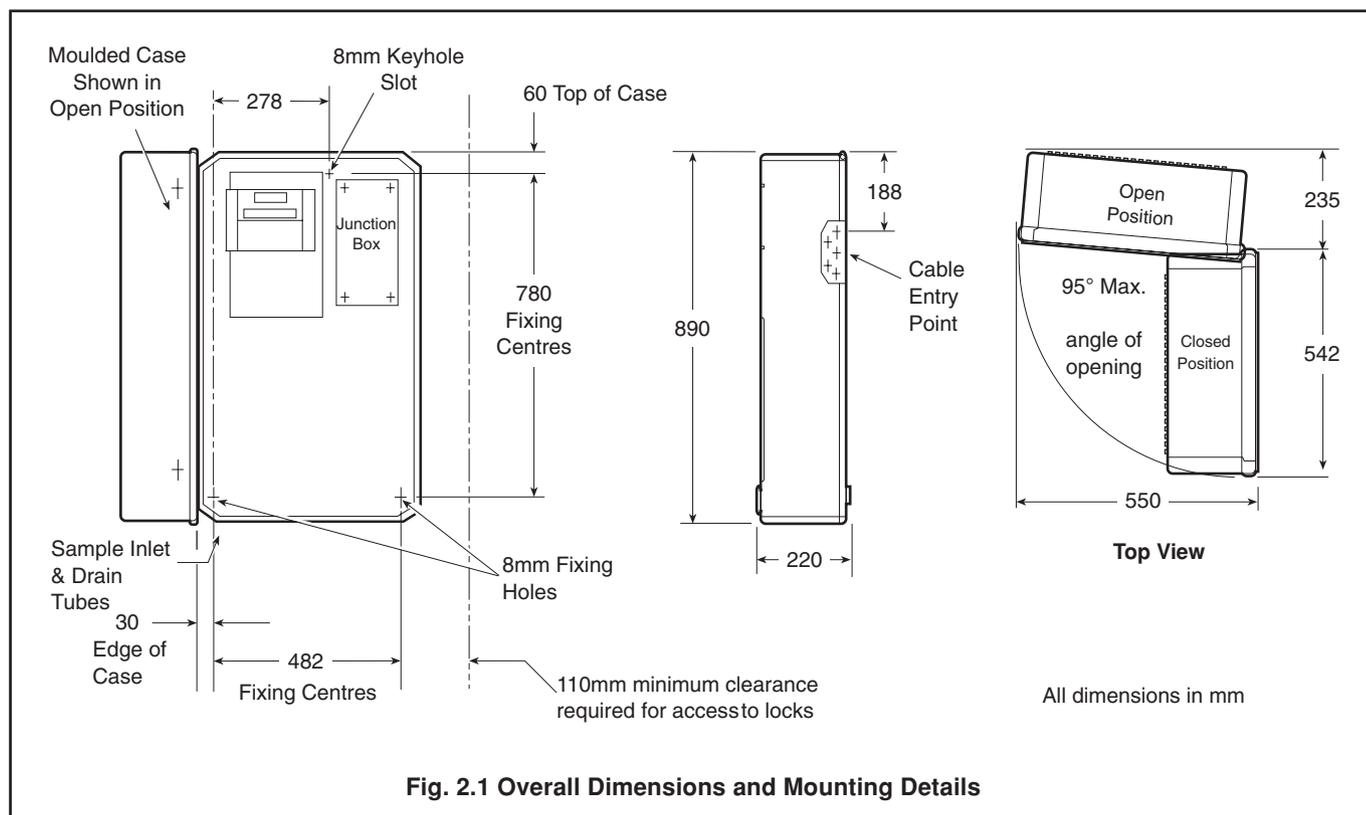
2.4 Sampling Requirement

In addition to being as close as possible to the monitor, the sampling point must provide a thoroughly mixed representative sample. The sample must also conform to the following conditions:

- Sample flow rates must be between 5 ml min⁻¹ and 1250 ml min⁻¹.
- Sample temperature should be within 20 °C of the ambient temperature and within the range 0 to 40°C.
- Particles must be less than 10 mg l⁻¹ and the size must not exceed 60 µm. Above these levels it is essential that the filter supplied is fitted in both the sample and emergency inlets.

2.5 Sample Connections – Fig. 2.2 (overpage)

The inlet and outlet pipe connections are both located at the bottom of the case. A 6 mm (1/4") hose adaptor is provided for the sample inlet and a 9 mm (3/8") hose connection for the drains. It is recommended that the pipes used should be of inert material, e.g., silicone rubber or p.v.c. The inlet pipe must incorporate a shut-off valve at its upstream end, while the drain outlet pipes should be short, venting to atmosphere as soon as possible.



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2.6 External Electrical Connections – Fig. 2.3

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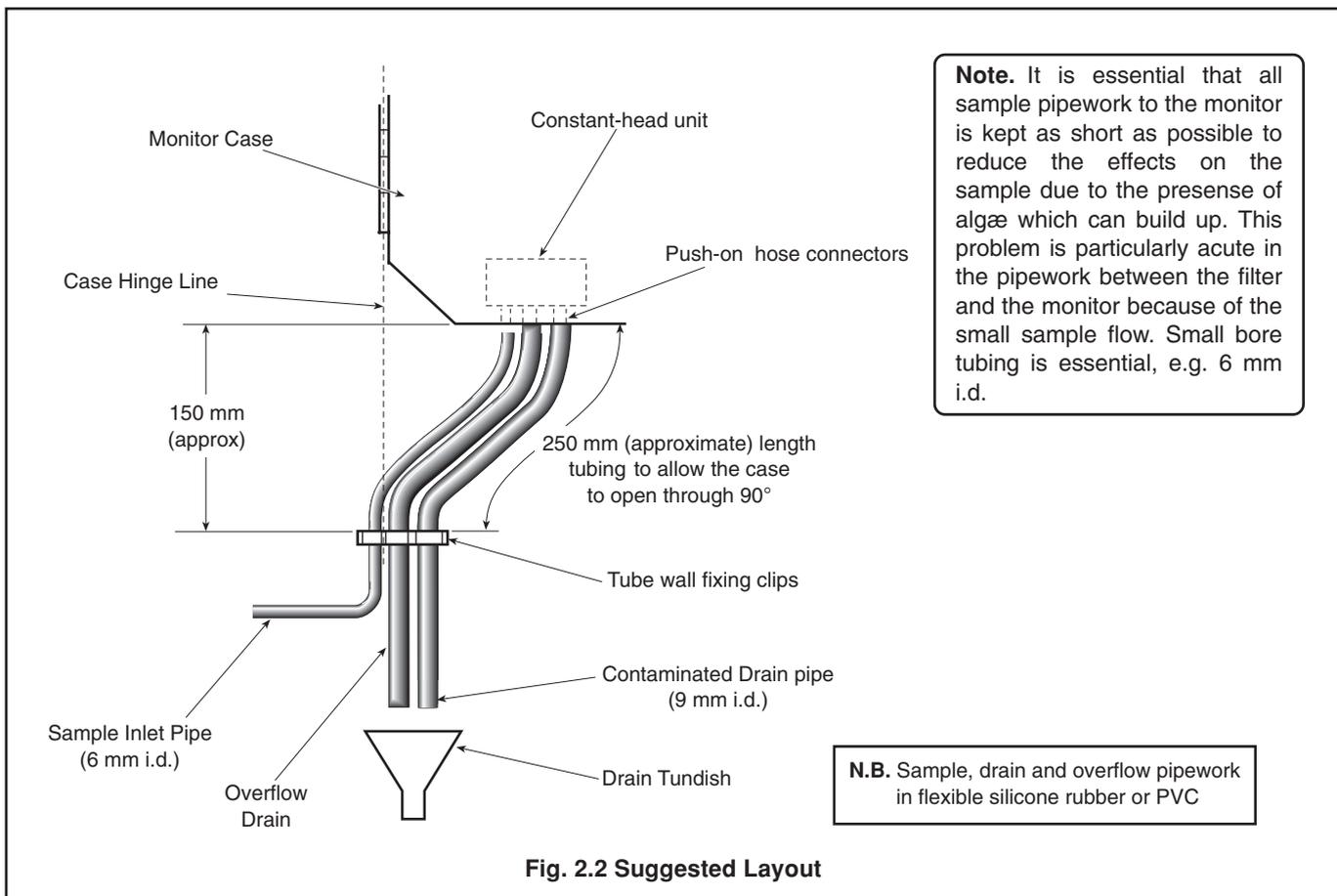
- Although certain instruments are fitted with internal fuse protection, a suitably rated external protection device, e.g. a 3 A fuse or miniature circuit breaker (m.c.b.), must also be fitted by the installer.
- Before making any connections, ensure that the power supply, any high voltage-operated control circuits, high common mode voltage, including externally powered alarm circuits, are switched off.
- The power supply earth (ground) **must** be connected to ensure safety to personnel, reduction of effects of radio frequency interference (r.f.i.) and correct operation of the power supply interference filter.

The external electrical connections are to be found in the User Junction Box with the exception of the optional serial interface which is connected directly into the Microprocessor Unit. The cables are passed through the cable glands on the right hand side of the junction box which are adjacent to the internal electrical terminals.

Caution. Slacken the terminal screws fully before making connections.

The connections are as follows:

- a) Mains input 115 V or 240 V. The mains voltage is selected by means of the voltage selector – see Fig. 2.3.
 - b) Current outputs 1 and 2 – two independent current outputs for external recording or control. One output is supplied as standard, the second is supplied as an optional extra – see Fig. 2.4 for details of current output range.
- Information.** Because the current output is isolated, the negative terminal **must** be connected to earth (ground) if connecting to the isolated input of another device.
- c) Relay 1 and 2 – two concentration alarms.
 - d) Relay 3 – calibration mode indication. This indicates when the instrument is off line during a calibration.
 - e) Relay 4 – instrument 'OUT OF SERVICE' indication. This indicates that the monitor readings are suspect and it is in need of attention.
 - f) Relay 5 – 'OUT OF SAMPLE' – indication of loss of sample.
 - g) Optional serial interface – connected into the Microprocessor Unit. See supplementary instruction manual for details.



2.7 Relay Contact Protection and Interference Suppression – Fig. 2.5

If the relays are used to switch loads on or off the relay contacts can become eroded due to arcing. Arcing also produces radio frequency interference (r.f.i.) which can cause instrument malfunctions and incorrect readings. To minimize the effects of r.f.i., arc suppression components are required; these are resistor/capacitor networks for a.c. applications, or diodes for d.c. applications. These components can be connected either across the load or directly across the relay contacts.

For **a.c. applications** the value of the resistor/capacitor network depends on the load current and inductance that is switched. Initially fit a 100 R/0.022 μ F RC suppressor unit

(part no. B9303) as shown in Fig. 2.5A. If the instrument malfunctions the value of the RC network is too low for suppression and an alternative value must be used. If the correct RC suppressor unit cannot be obtained, contact the manufacturer of the switched device for details of the RC unit required.

For **d.c. applications** fit a diode as shown in Fig. 2.5B. For general applications use an alternative IN5406 type (600 V peak inverse voltage at 3 A – part no. B7363).

Note. For reliable switching the minimum voltage must be greater than 12 V and the minimum current greater than 100 mA.

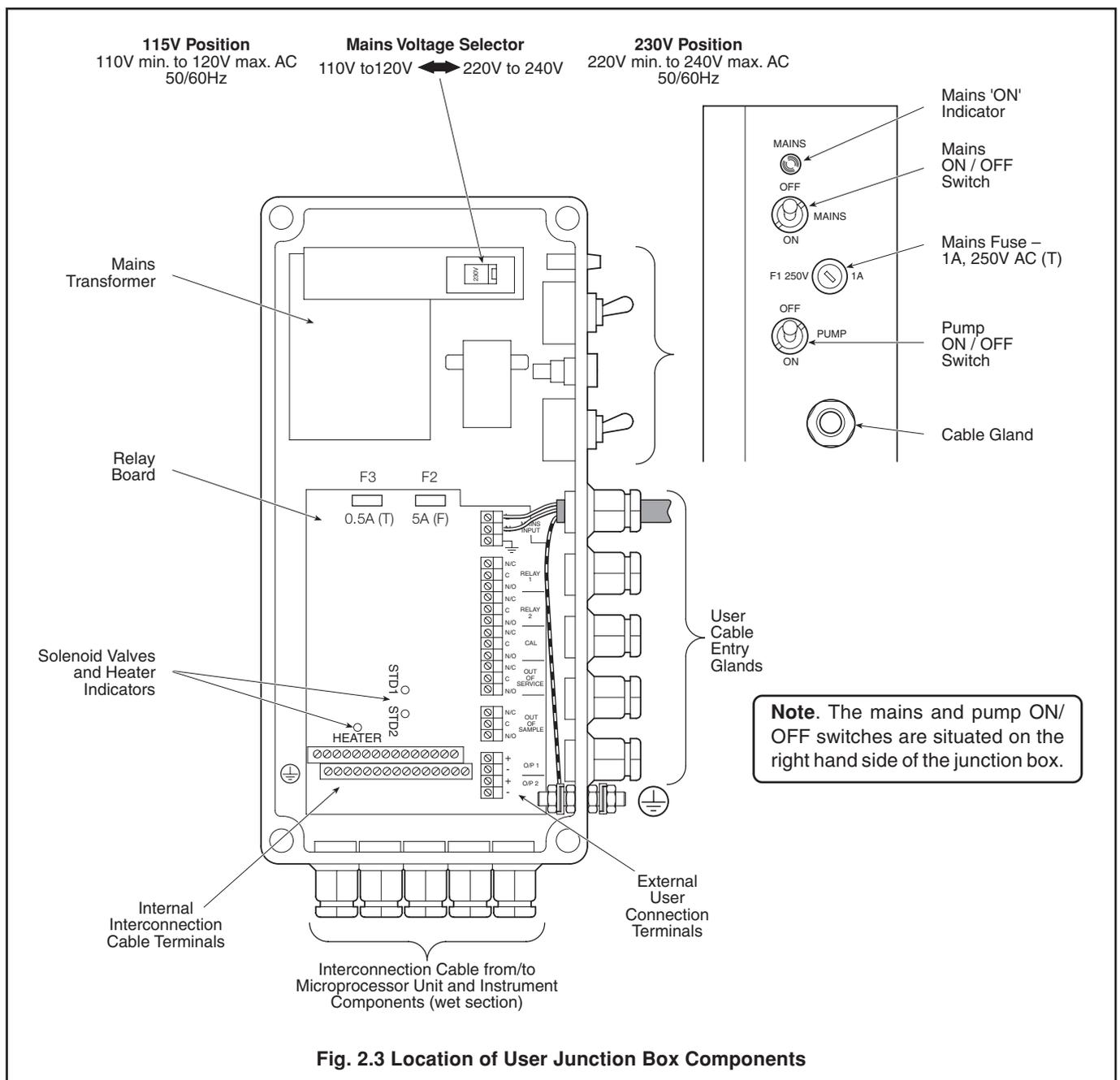
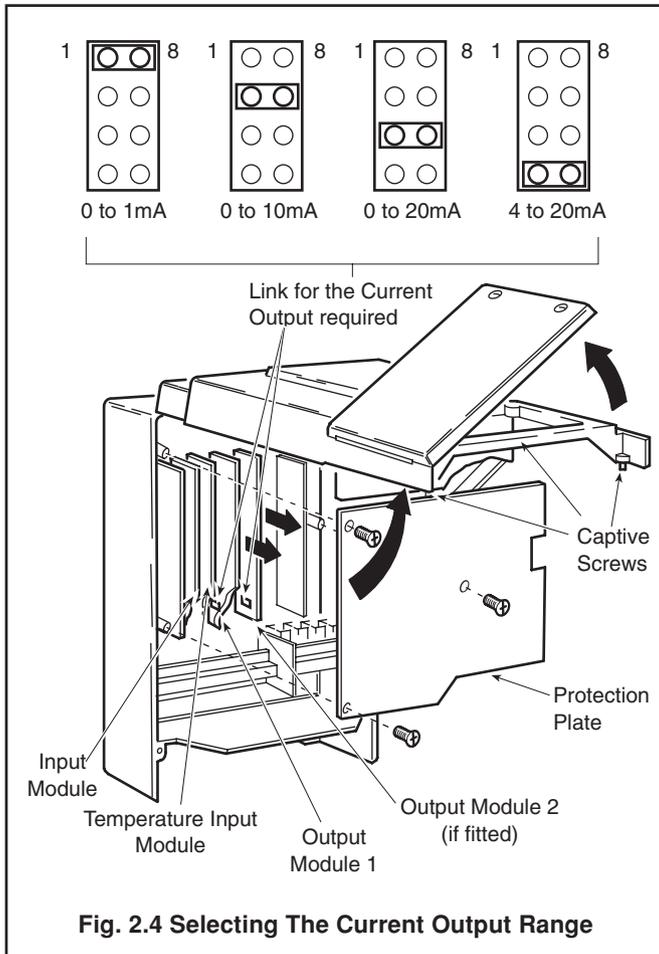


Fig. 2.3 Location of User Junction Box Components

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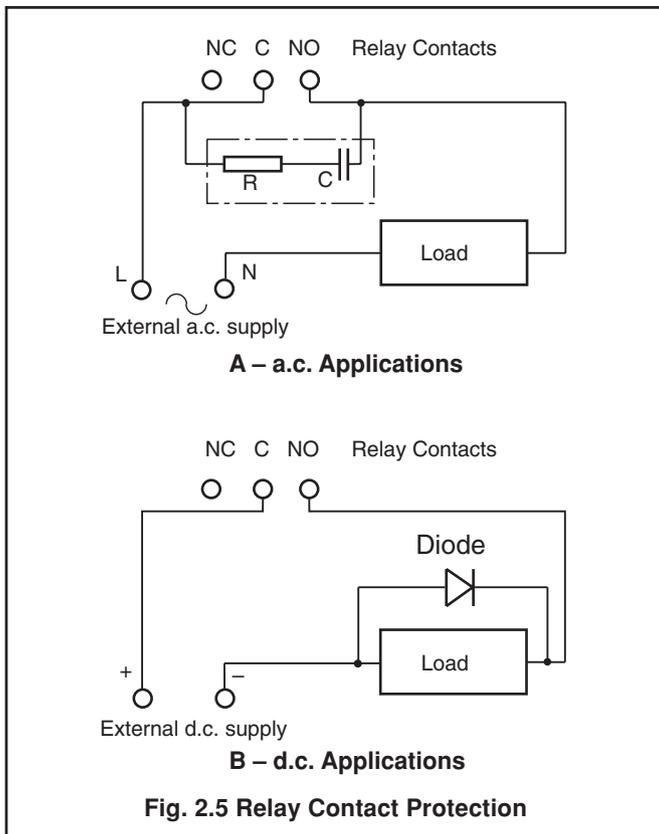
3 SETTING UP

Note. Before proceeding any further, ensure that all switches are set to OFF on the right hand side of the electronics unit – see Fig. 2.3.

- Ensure that all external electrical and plumbing connections have been made correctly.
- Fill reagent and standard solution bottles and connect them to the monitor. (See Section 8.1 for details of these solutions.)
- Fit the probe according to the instructions in Section 8.2.7.
- Connect the electrical supply and switch on.

Note. The temperature controlled block requires up to half an hour to reach the normal control temperature. During this time, 'Temp. Control Error' is indicated on the display. Any calibrations are prevented by the microprocessor during this time.

- Verify that there is an adequate supply of sample to the monitor constant head unit.
- Fit the pump platen on the peristaltic pumps (see Section 8.2.8) and switch the pumps on with the switch on the side of the monitor. Ensure that the peristaltic pumps rotate, and check that sample and reagents are being drawn into the monitor by observing the progress of any small bubbles present in the inlet tubes.
- Run the monitor for at least one hour to allow the temperature to stabilize, solutions to be pumped into the system and to purge the air from the pipework. Check for any leaks around the pipe connections and rectify as necessary.
- If the monitor exhibits good stability, i.e. $\pm 2\%$ of reading, carry out a calibration – see Programming Page.
- Check the condition of the sample filter and replace it if necessary. Ensure that new filters are fitted correctly by taking note of the flow directions indicated on the filter bodies.



4 LIQUID HANDLING SECTION

4.1 Principle of Operation – Fig. 4.1

The monitor uses an ABB Ammonia Probe. This contains a glass pH electrode, whose pH-sensitive glass membrane forms a slightly convex tip, and a robust, long-life reference electrode. The two electrodes are combined into a single assembly, and are connected as a pH measuring pair through an internal reservoir of filling solution containing ammonium ions.

The filling solution is 0.1 M ammonium chloride saturated with silver chloride and is separated from the sample by a gas-permeable hydrophobic membrane fitted in the tip of the probe. Sample is caused to flow past the probe membrane, whereupon the partial pressures of ammonia gas in the two solutions on either side of the membrane equilibrate, transferring gas across the membrane. At equilibrium, the concentration of ammonia in the thin film of filling solution between the probe membrane and the glass electrode membrane equals that in the sample. The resultant change in pH value of the thin film is measured by the pH electrode pair which thus develops an output potential related to the ammonia concentration in the sample. Like most ion-selective electrodes, the Ammonia Probe produces an output which is logarithmic with respect to concentration.

Range of measurement can be set to any two consecutive decades of concentration between 0.05 to 2000 mg l⁻¹ as N, NH₃, or NH₄⁺.

Under typical circumstances, with appropriate standard solutions and calibration frequencies, accuracies better than ±5% of reading or 0.1 mg l⁻¹ whichever is the greater, can be achieved.

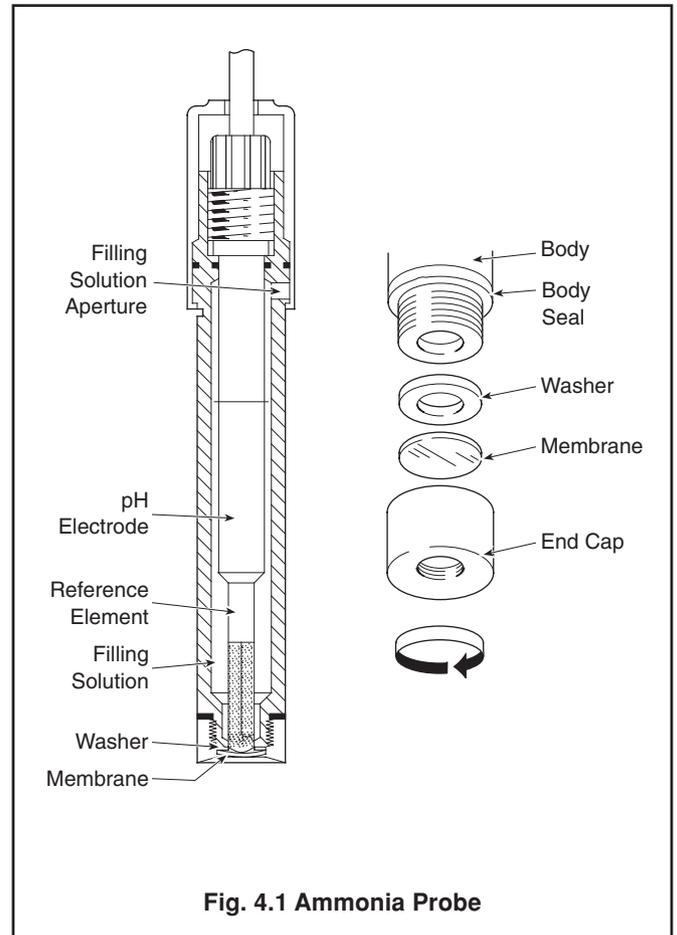
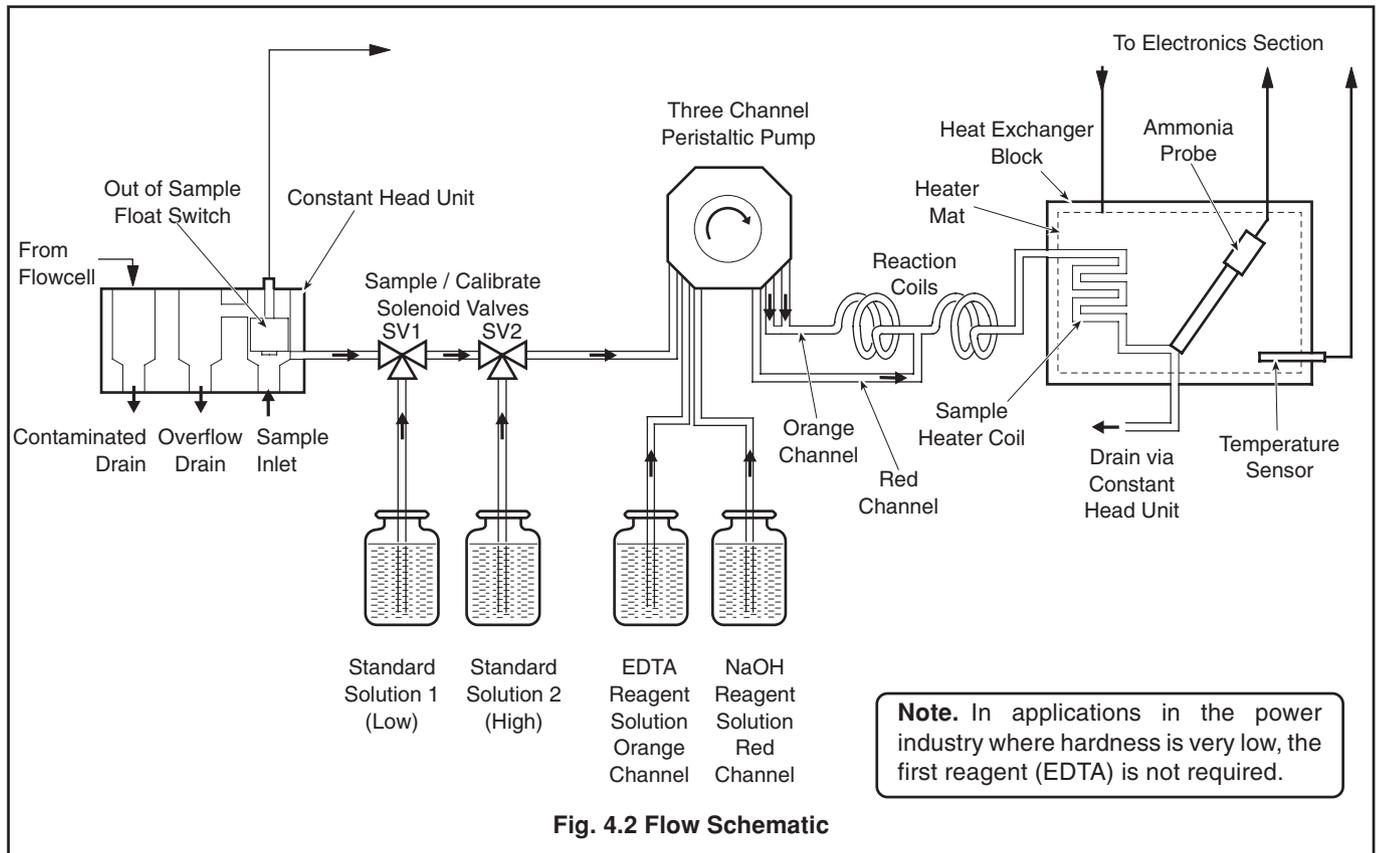


Fig. 4.1 Ammonia Probe



Note. In applications in the power industry where hardness is very low, the first reagent (EDTA) is not required.

Fig. 4.2 Flow Schematic

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4.2 General Operation – Fig. 4.2

The sequence of events is:

- The sample enters the constant head unit from below and any excess is allowed to overflow to drain. The constant head unit is fitted with a float switch to signal an 'Out of Sample' condition. This switch is used by the monitor to initiate the 'Out of Sample' alarm.
- From the constant head unit the sample is drawn through the normally open ports of the solenoid valves SV1 and SV2 by one channel of the peristaltic pump.
- The reagents are drawn through another channel of the peristaltic pump, and then mixed with the sample. The tube diameters are arranged so as to obtain the correct ratio of sample and reagents.
- The probe is housed in a temperature controlled block which includes a heat exchanger to remove the effects of sample and ambient temperature variations. The probe produces an electrical potential when exposed to the reacted sample which changes in proportion to changes in concentration of the ion being measured. The probe is connected to the electronic section where, after digital conversion, the signal is processed by the microprocessor.
- After measurement the sample flows to waste via the contaminated drain connection.
- During calibration the monitor introduces two calibration solutions sequentially in place of the sample by means of the solenoid valves SV1 and SV2.

5 ELECTRONICS SECTION

5.1 Electronic Layout – Fig. 5.1

The electronic section comprises two separate sections:

- The User Junction Box at the top right hand side.
- The Microprocessor Unit at the top left hand side.

5.2 User Junction Box

The User Junction Box contains the relays for the heater, solenoid valves and alarms, and all the user external connection terminals, with the exception of the serial interface (if fitted).

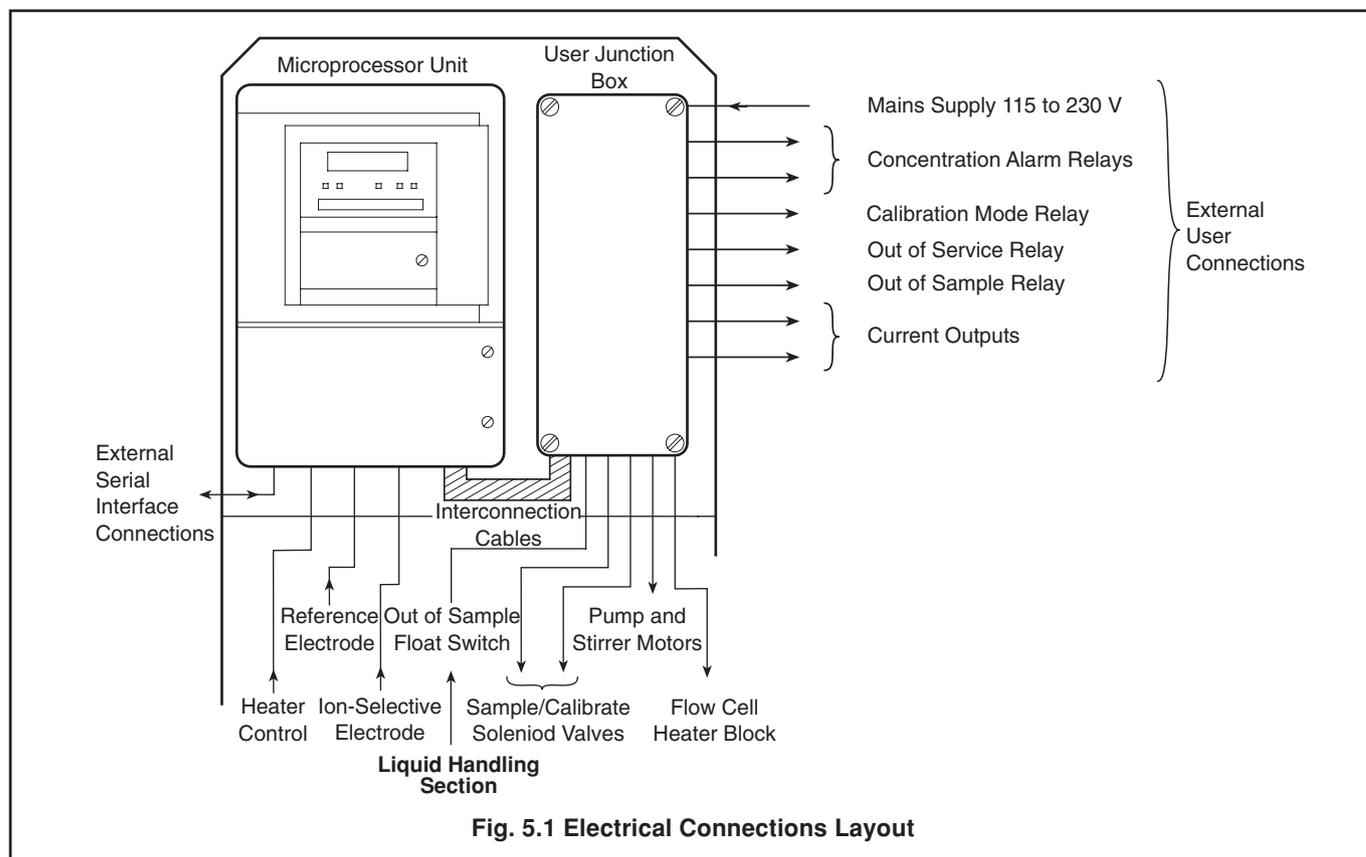
Once installed there should be no need to remove the junction box cover on a regular basis. However, to assist in any fault finding procedure, there are l.e.d's on the p.c.b. to indicate if the relays and heater are being energised.

Switches for the mains and pump/heater are situated on the right hand side of the junction box, together with a mains indication lamp and mains fuse – see Fig. 2.3.

5.3 Microprocessor Unit

The Microprocessor Unit contains the analogue input processing, microprocessor, alarm and current output generation, and (if fitted) the serial interface output.

The programme controls, digital and dot-matrix displays, alarm indication and status l.e.d's are all mounted on the front panel of the microprocessor unit.



5.4 Front Panel Controls – Fig. 5.2

The programme controls comprise eight tactile membrane switches. These switches are situated behind a hinged door below the display, access is via a screwdriver-operated catch. In normal operation the switches are used to view the measured ion concentration value, initiate a manual calibration, or to activate the 'alarm hold' facility.

When programming, the switches are used to sequence through a programming procedure as detailed. The procedure is set out in programming pages for Input, Current Output, Alarms, Real Time Clock and Monitor Calibration. Each programme page contains the programme functions, the values or parameters of which are programmable.

Switch functions are as follows:

Mode Used for viewing the fluoride concentration, electrode mV output, flowcell control temperature, sensor slope, date, time, the time to the next calibration and the time from the last calibration.

Cal Used to enable or disable the automatic calibrations, enter the standard solution values and manually initiate a calibration sequence. Operating 'Cal' during a calibration aborts the sequence and returns to normal operation.

Hold Used to inhibit any change in the alarm relay/l.e.d. status and the start of any auto calibration. The feature is used during maintenance ('Hold' l.e.d. illuminated).

Note. If the 'Hold' facility is inadvertently left switched-in, it is automatically cancelled after a period of approximately 3 hours has elapsed.

Enter Used for storing the programmed function parameters and values in the instrument's nonvolatile memory.

Note. The instrument responds instantly to any programme change but the new value is lost in the event of a power interruption if it has not been 'Entered'.

↻ Parameter Advance – used for selecting a particular parameter from a programme page.

▲ Used for increasing or decreasing a parameter value or stepping up or down through a selection of parameters applicable to a particular function.
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Note. Continued pressure on the 'Raise' or 'Lower' switches causes the rate of change of the displayed value to increase. To make small adjustments, operate the switches momentarily.

↻ Page Advance – used, via the security code, for selection of individual programme pages.

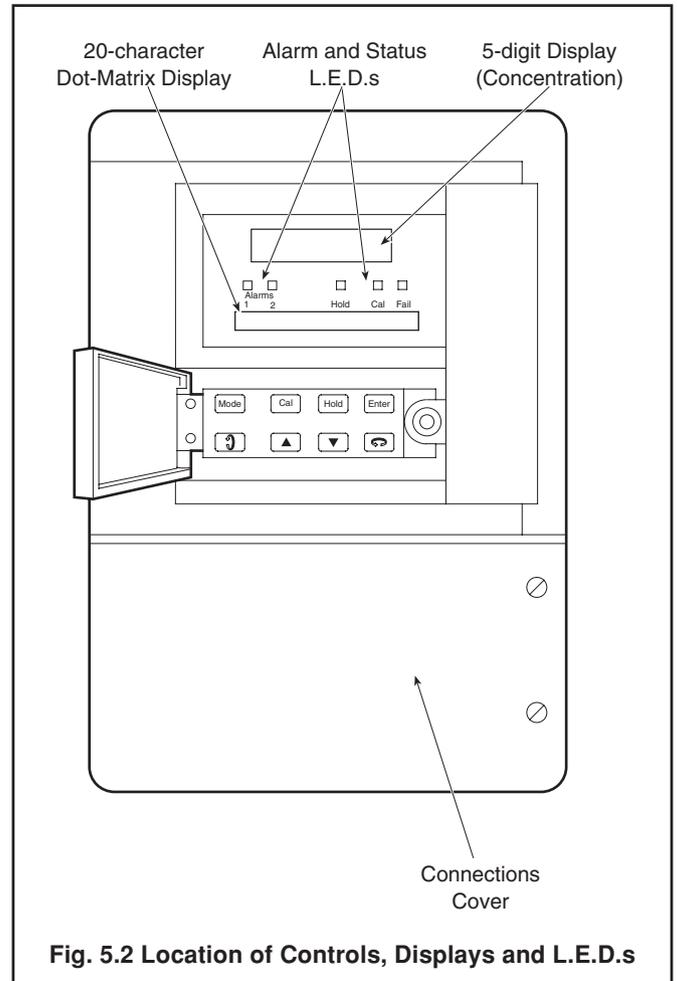


Fig. 5.2 Location of Controls, Displays and L.E.D.s

5.5 Displays – Fig. 5.2

Two blue vacuum fluorescent displays are provided:

- a) The upper is a 5-digit 7-segment type display which indicates the measured variable.
- b) The lower is a 20-character dot matrix type which provides user information during setting up and in normal operation.

5.6 L.E.D. Indication – Fig. 5.2

There are five l.e.d's (indicators situated between the two displays) which provide information on the current status of the monitor. From left to right the indicators are as follows:

- A1 or A2** Used to indicate a concentration alarm state (either high or low). This indicator is used in association with an external alarm relay output.
- Hold** Used to indicate when the 'Hold' button has been operated.
- Cal** Indicates when a calibration sequence is taking place.
- Fail** Indicates when the monitor was unable to carry out a successful calibration.

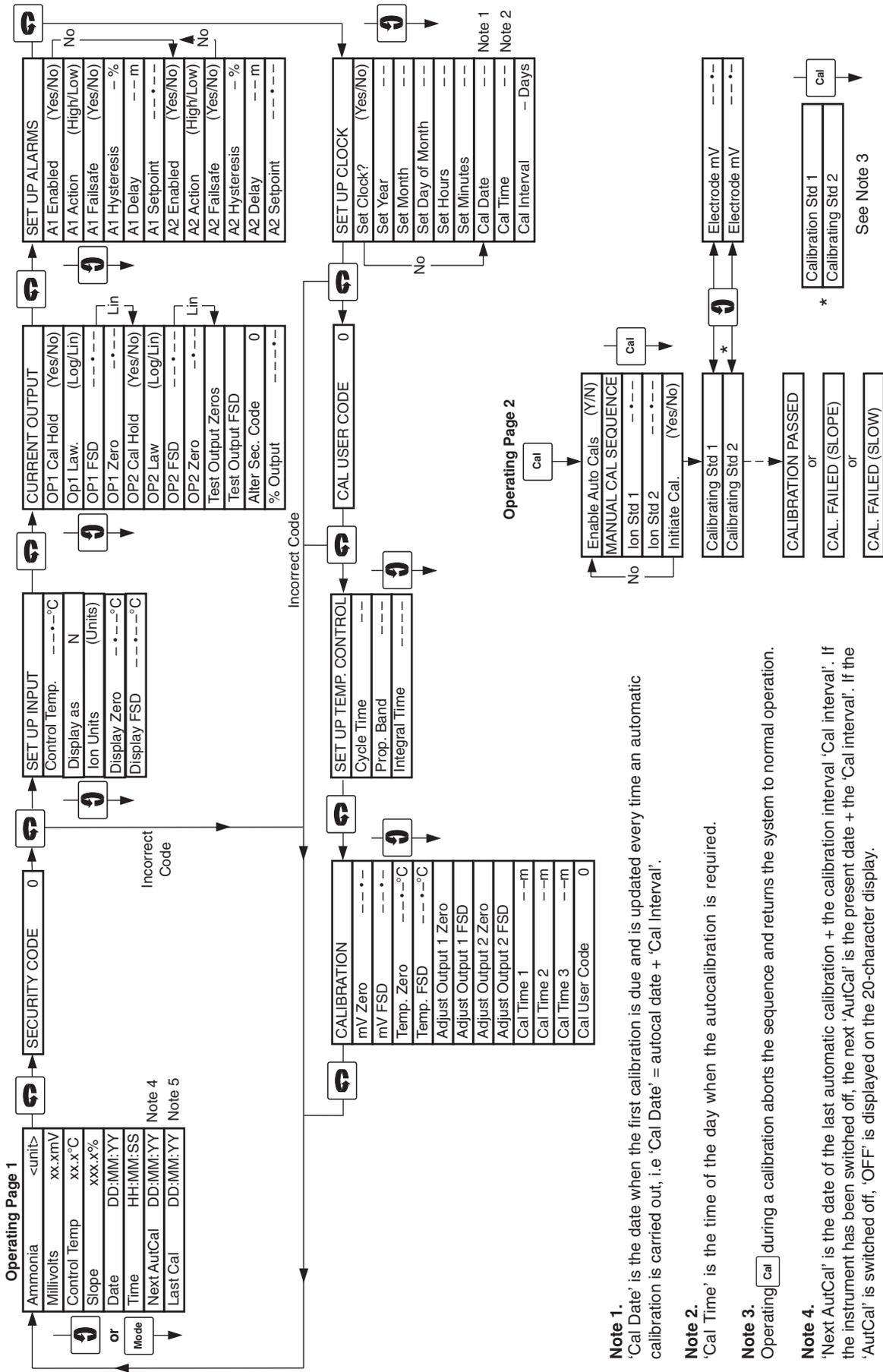


Fig. 6.1 Overall Programme Chart

Note 1. 'Cal Date' is the date when the first calibration is due and is updated every time an automatic calibration is carried out, i.e. 'Cal Date' = autocal date + 'Cal Interval'.

Note 2. 'Cal Time' is the time of the day when the autocalibration is required.

Note 3. Operating [Cal] during a calibration aborts the sequence and returns the system to normal operation.

Note 4. 'Next AutCal' is the date of the last automatic calibration + the calibration interval 'Cal interval'. If the instrument has been switched off, the next 'AutCal' is the present date + the 'Cal interval'. If the 'AutCal' is switched off, 'OFF' is displayed on the 20-character display.

Note 5. 'Last Cal' is the date of the last automatic or manual calibration.

6.1 Normal Operation

In normal operation (Operating Page 1) the lower, dot matrix, display gives indication of the units of measurement, millivolt value, sensor slope and time. Selection is made using the  switch. Operation of the  switch gives access to a second Operating Page (Operating Page 2) in which the standard solution values can be set and a manual calibration can be initiated. Either page can be selected at any time by using the  or  switches.

6.2 Programming Pages

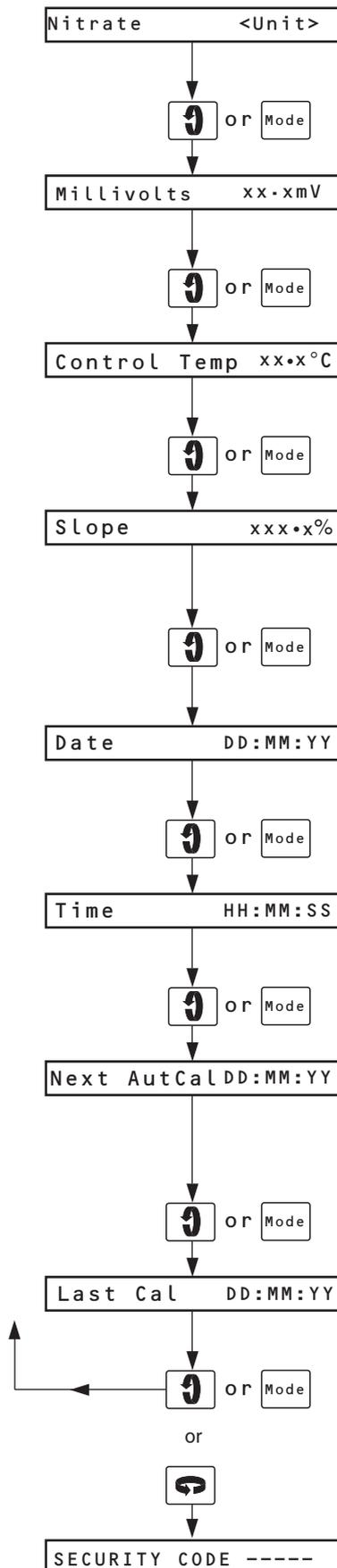
Operation of the  switch enables a series of 'programming' pages to be displayed. Unauthorised entries to this page are inhibited by a 5-digit security code which is displayed immediately after the page header.

In the programming pages, displayed values indicated 'xxxxx' are for viewing only and cannot be altered by the operator. Displayed values indicated '- - -' can be altered using the  and  switches. When the desired reading is displayed, operate the  switch. The l.e.d's flash momentarily, to indicate that the value has been stored in the nonvolatile memory. Although the instrument appears to operate satisfactorily, if the  switch is not operated, in the event of power interruption, the programmed values are lost. If previously programmed values are to be viewed only, it is unnecessary to operate the  switch.

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6.2.1 Operating Page 1

The values displayed in Operating Page 1 are for viewing only and cannot be altered in this page.



Measurement Units

The measurement units are displayed, e.g. Ammonia ppm.

Advance to next parameter.

Sensor Output

The probe output is displayed in millivolts.

Advance to next parameter.

Control Temperature

The heater block control temperature is displayed in degrees Celsius.

Advance to next parameter.

Slope Check Value

The slope value should be between 80 and 110%. If the value is outside these limits check the electrode.

Advance to next parameter.

Date

The date is displayed.

Advance to next parameter.

Time

The time is displayed.

Advance to next parameter.

Next Calibration Date

The date when the next automatic calibration is to be carried out is displayed. If the automatic calibration is disabled, 'OFF' is displayed in place of the date.

Advance to next parameter.

Last Calibration Date

The date of the last automatic or manual calibration is displayed.

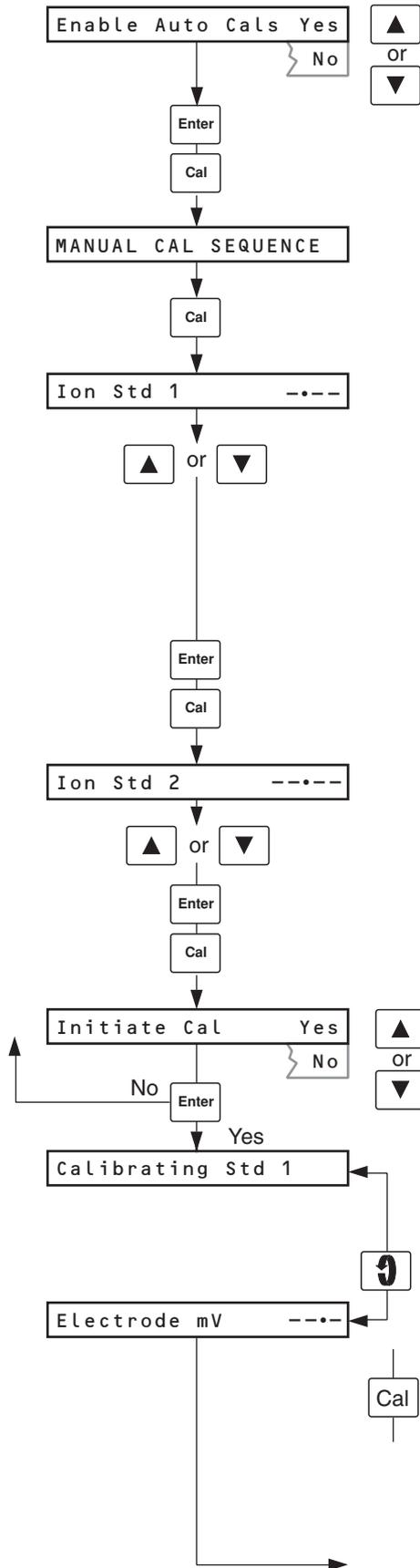
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or

Advance to **Security Page** (Section 6.2.3).

6.2.2 Operating Page 2

To gain access to the Calibration Page (Operating Page 2), operate the switch.



Enable Automatic Calibrations

Select 'Yes' to enable or 'No' to disable the automatic calibrations.

Store.

Advance to next parameter.

Page header.

Advance to next parameter.

Ion Standard 1

Set the value of the 'Low' standard solution (Std 1).

Low value ammonia standard solutions should be avoided. For example, at ambient temperatures of about 25 °C, and under normal light conditions, a 0.5 mg l⁻¹ NH₃ solution is expected to lose at least 10% of its concentration over a seven day period. Because of the instability of such solutions, it is not possible to programme a standard solution of lower concentration than 0.2 mg l⁻¹ NH₃ on this monitor. Solutions as low as 0.2 mg l⁻¹ can be prepared with care, but must be used immediately, making it an unsuitable concentration for long term use with the monitor.

Store.

Advance to next parameter.

Ion Standard 2

Set the value of the 'High' standard solution (Std 2). The concentrations of the two standard solutions must differ from each other by a factor of at least four.

Store.

Advance to next parameter.

Initiate Calibration (manual)

Select 'Yes' to carry out a manual calibration or 'No' to return to the top of the page.

Enter must be pressed to initiate a manual calibration.

Calibrating Standard 1

The upper display shows the ammonia concentration value. The display remains until a stable output is obtained from the probe.

Toggle between the two displays.

Electrode Millivolts

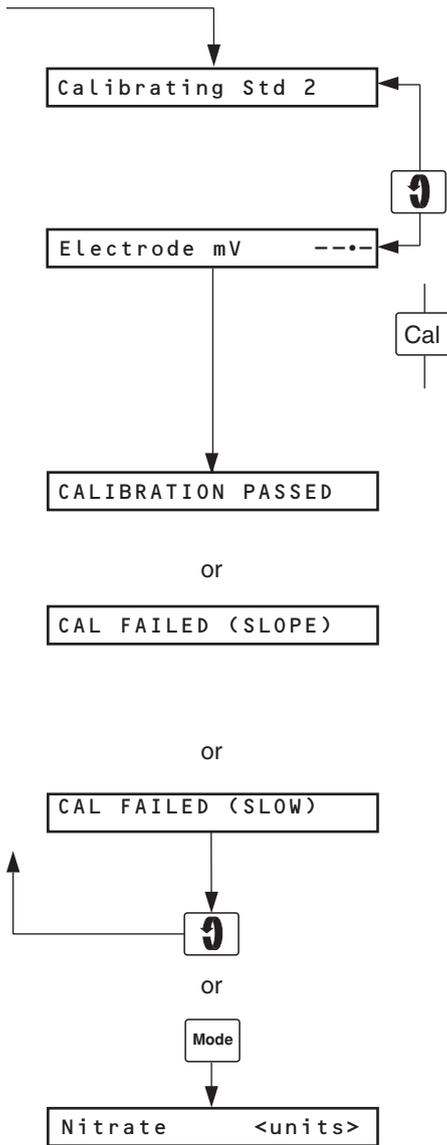
Note. Pressing during a calibration aborts the sequence and returns to normal operation.

When a stable probe output is detected the display automatically advances to the next parameter.

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Calibrating Standard 2

The upper display shows the ammonia concentration value. The display remains until a stable output is obtained from the probe.

Toggle between the two displays.

Electrode Millivolts

The probe output can also be displayed during calibration

Note. Pressing  during a calibration aborts the sequence and returns to normal operation.

When a stable probe output is detected the display automatically advances to the next parameter.

Calibration Passed

A satisfactory calibration has been carried out.

or

Calibration Failed (slope)

The monitor was unable to obtain an adequate slope value during calibration. The slope value required is 80 to 110%.

or

Calibration Failed (slow)

The monitor was unable to obtain a stable output from the probe during calibration.

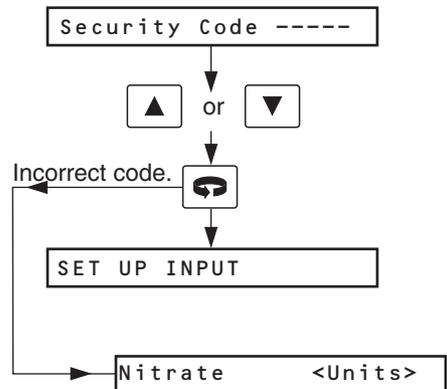
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Return to **Operating Page 1.**

6.2.3 Security Code Page

A security code is required to gain access to all subsequent programming pages. The code is preset at the factory to '0' but can be changed if required in the Current Output Page – see Section 6.2.5.



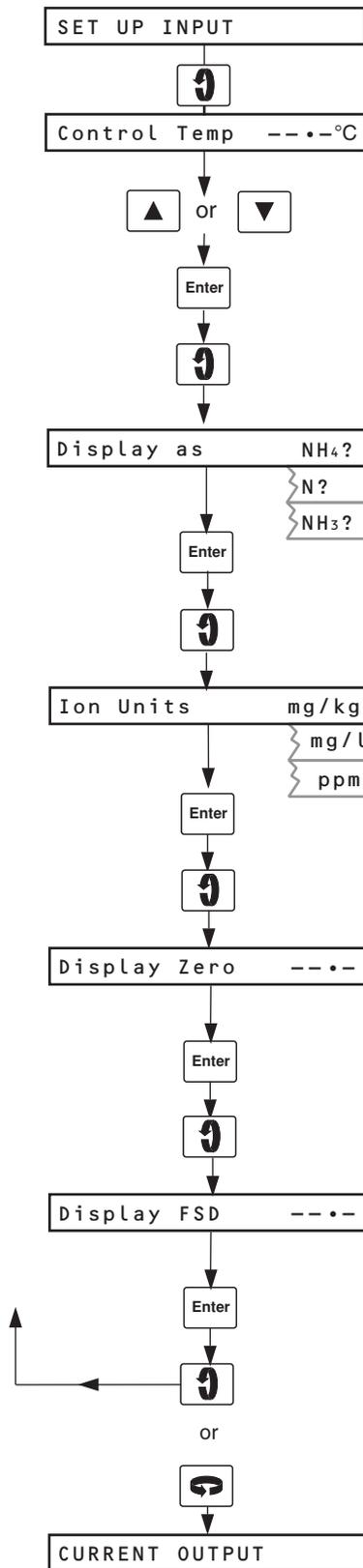
Security Code

Set the correct security code.

Advance to the first of the programming pages – **Set Up Input Page.**

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6.2.4 Set Up Input Page



Page header.

Advance to next parameter.

Control Temperature

Set the required block control temperature within the range 5 to 45 °C in 0.1 °C increments.

Store.

Advance to next parameter.

Display Type (Ammonium, Ammonia or Nitrogen)

Select display as ammonium (NH₄⁺), ammonia (NH₃) or nitrogen (N).

Store.

Advance to next parameter.

Ion Units

Select the required display units for ammonia concentration.

Store.

Advance to next parameter.

Display Zero

Set the required value for display within the range 0.05 to 20.00.

Store.

Advance to next parameter.

Display Full Scale

The full scale value is automatically set at two decades above **Display Zero**.

Example– If the setting is 1.0 the full scale is automatically set to 100.0.

Store.

Return to top of **Set Up Input Page**.

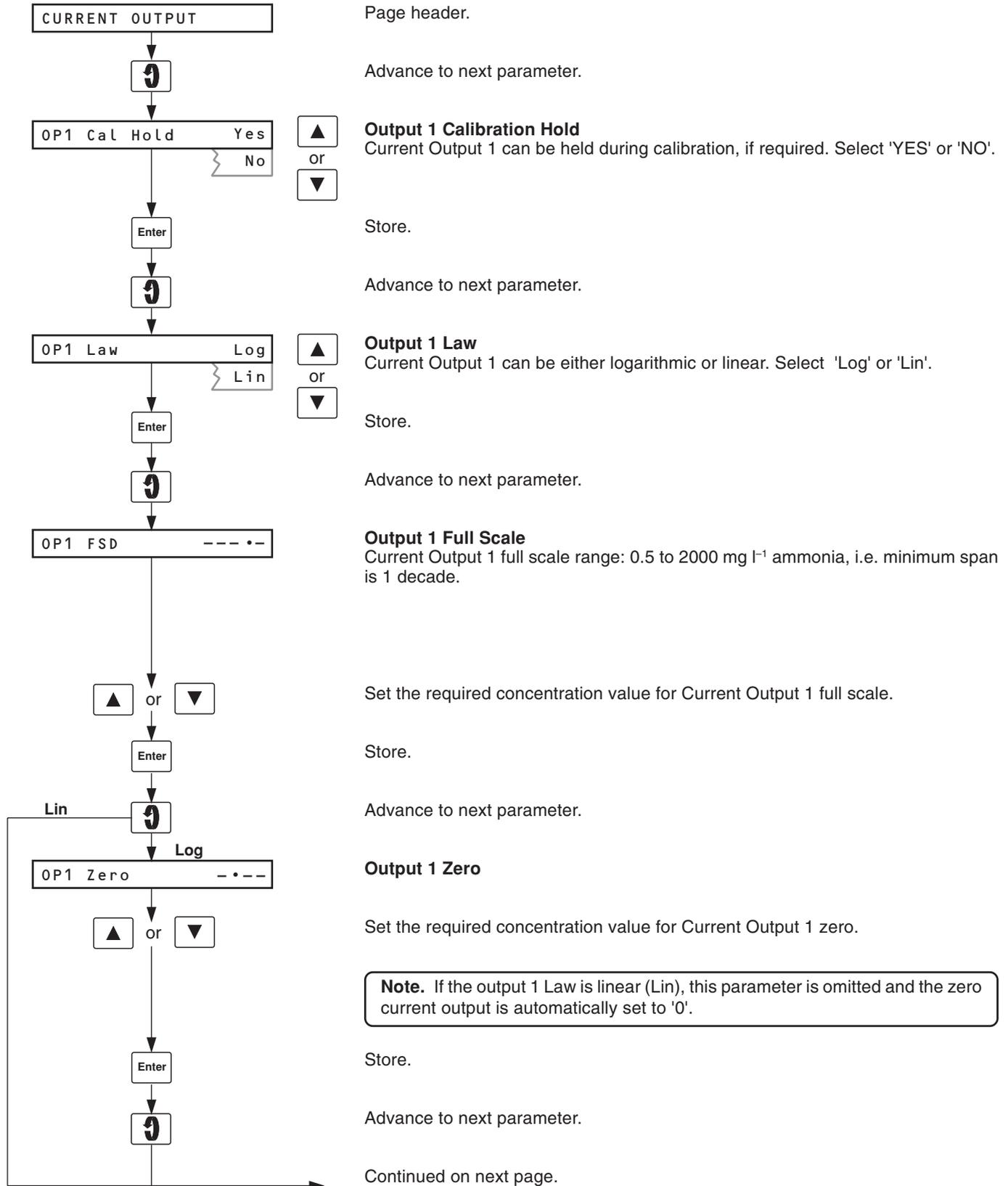
or

Advance to **Current Output Page**.

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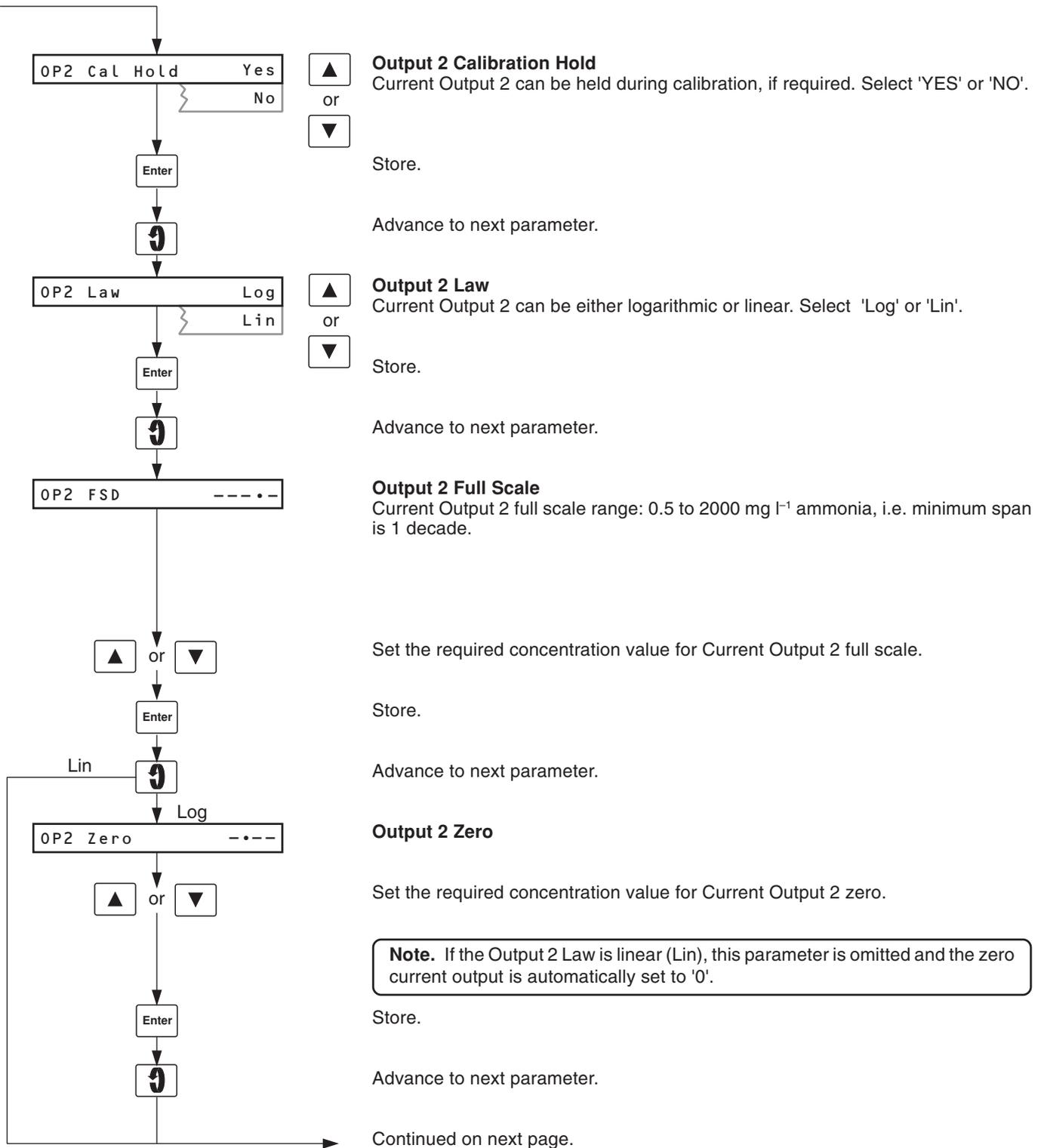
6.2.5 Current Output Page

The current output is assigned to the ammonia concentration but is only operative if the relevant output modules are fitted – see Fig. 2.4.



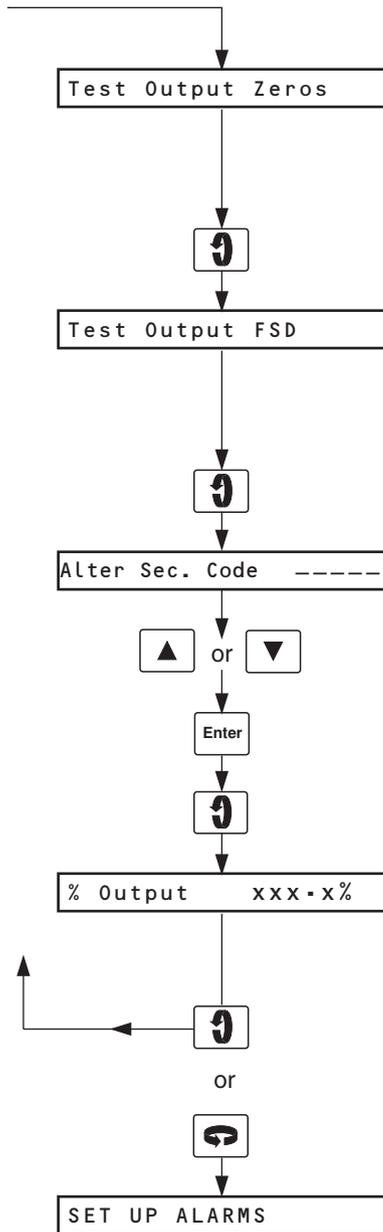
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Test Current Output Zeros

The instrument automatically transmits a current output zero test signal on both outputs.

Example – For a 4 to 20 mA current output range, 4 mA is transmitted.

Advance to next parameter.

Test Current Output Full Scale

The instrument automatically transmits a current output full scale test signal on both outputs.

Example – For a 4 to 20 mA current output range, 20 mA is transmitted.

Advance to next parameter.

Alter Security Code

Set the Security Code required, between 0 and 19999. This value must then be entered again to access the secure parameters from Operating Page 1.

Store.

Advance to next parameter.

Proportional Output Percentage (to heater)

Used as a diagnostic check to indicate the proportionally controlled current output (%) to the heater.

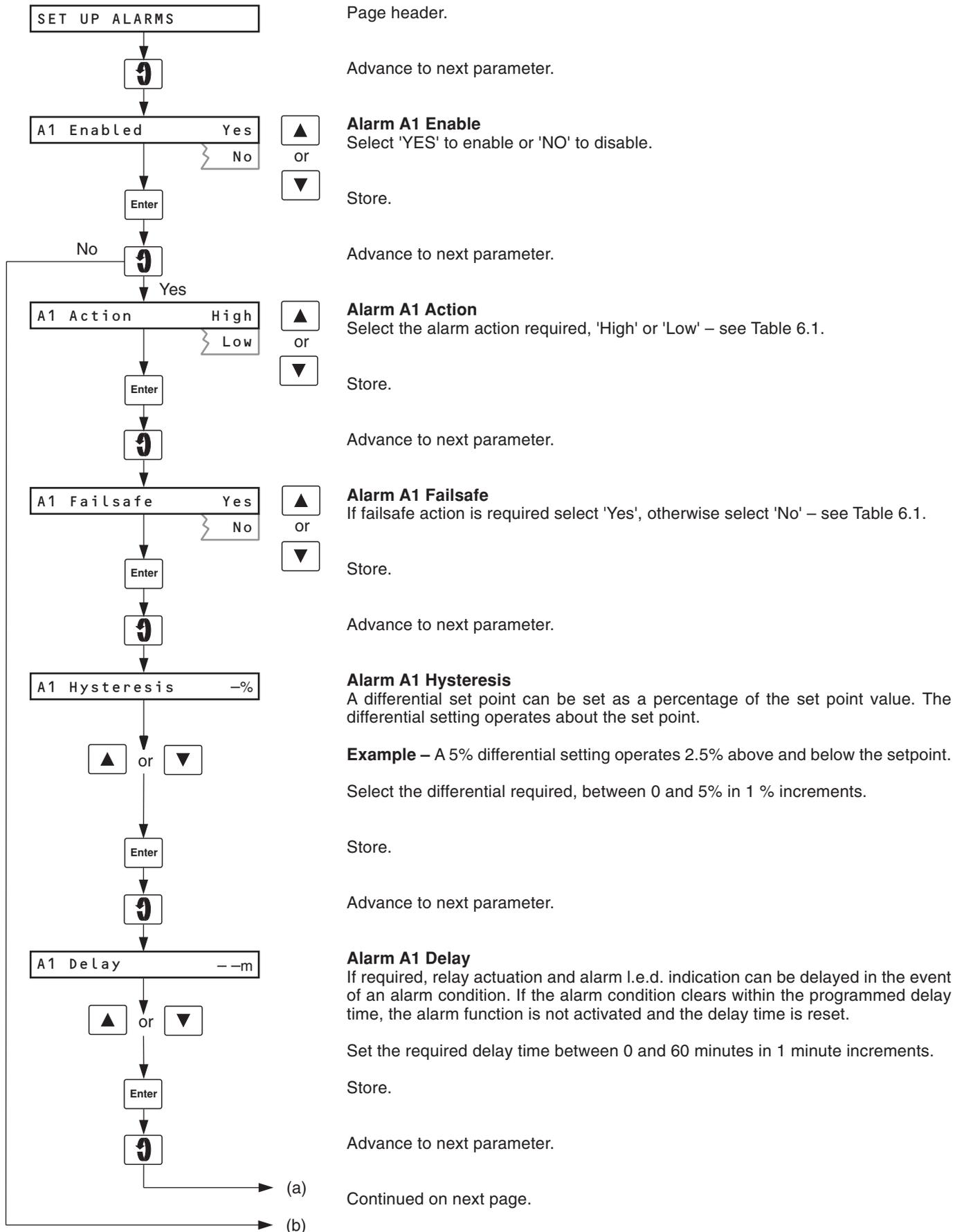
Return to top of **Current Output Page**.

or

Advance to **Set Up Alarms Page**.

6.2.6 Set Up Alarms Page

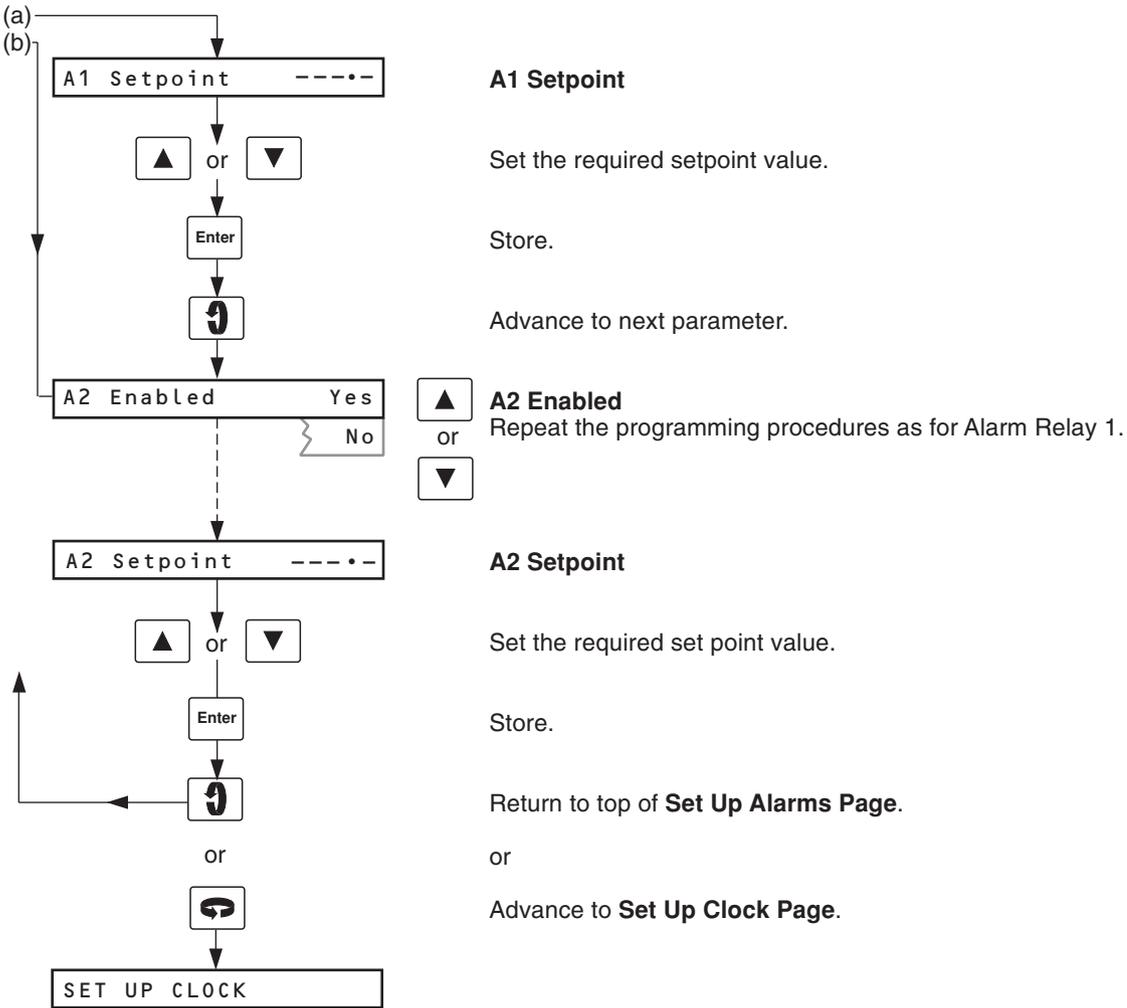
Alarm l.e.d. indication and relay output can be assigned either to the ammonia concentration or switched off.



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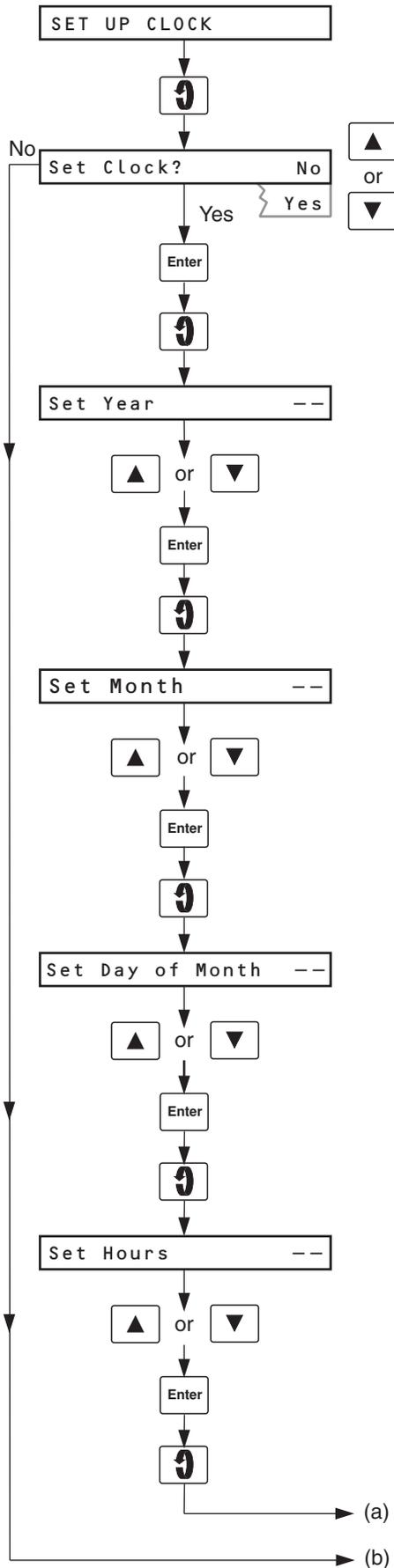
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Action	Failsafe	Measured Value	Relay Status	L.E.D. Indication
High	YES	Above Setpoint	De-energised	Flashing
		Below Setpoint	Energised	Off
High	NO	Above Setpoint	Energised	Flashing
		Below Setpoint	De-energised	Off
Low	YES	Above Setpoint	Energised	Off
		Below Setpoint	De-energised	Flashing
Low	NO	Above Setpoint	De-energised	Off
		Below Setpoint	Energised	Flashing

Table 6.1 Relay Action and Alarm Indication

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Page header.

Advance to next parameter.

Set Up Real Time Clock

Select 'Yes' to set up the clock, otherwise select 'No'.

Store.

Advance to next parameter.

Set Year

Set the appropriate year.

Store.

Advance to next parameter.

Set Month

Set the appropriate month.

Store.

Advance to next parameter.

Set Day

Set the appropriate day of the month.

Store.

Advance to next parameter.

Set Hours

Set the appropriate hour – (24 hour clock).

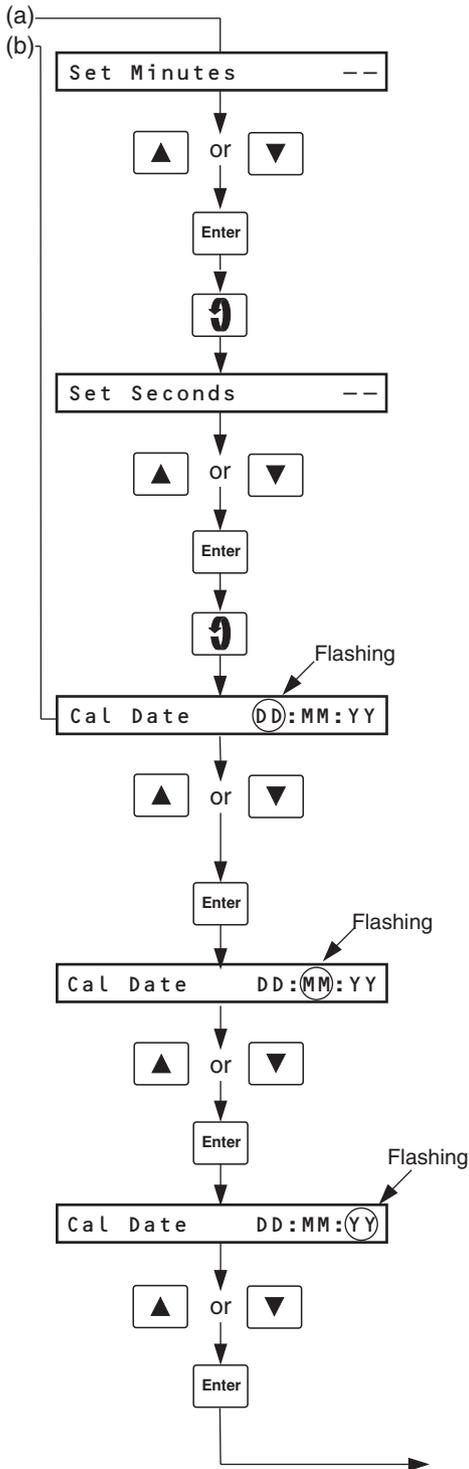
Store.

Advance to next parameter.

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Set Minutes

Set the appropriate minutes.

Store.

Advance to next parameter.

Set Seconds

Set the appropriate seconds.

Store.

Advance to next parameter.

Calibration Date (day of the month)

Set the day of the month when the first automatic calibration is to be carried out.

Store and advance to next parameter.

Calibration Date (month)

Set the month when the first automatic calibration is to be carried out.

Store and advance to next parameter.

Calibration Date (year)

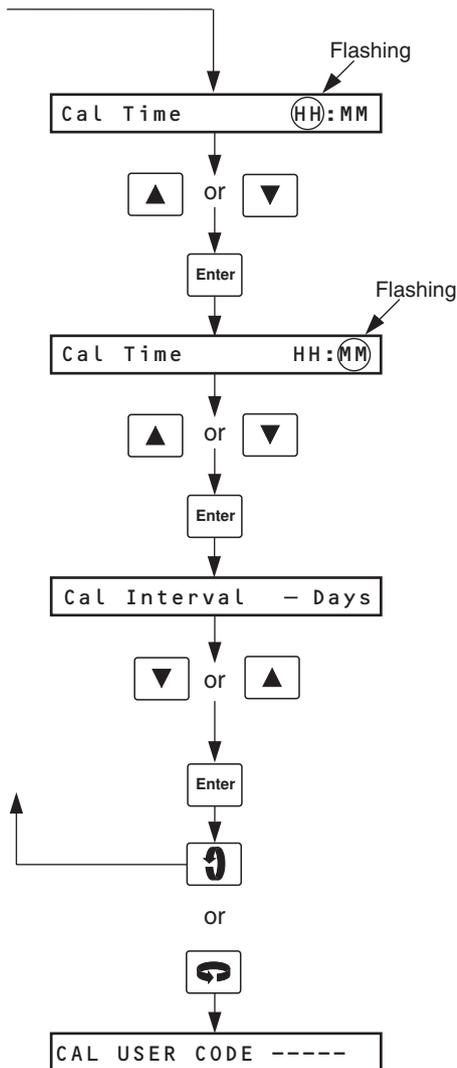
Set the year when the first automatic calibration is to be carried out.

Store and advance to next parameter.

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Calibration Time (hour – 24 hour clock)

Set the hour of the day when the first automatic calibration is to be carried out.

Store and advance to next parameter.

Calibration Time (minutes)

Set the minute of the hour when the first automatic calibration is to be carried out.

Store and advance to next parameter.

Calibration Interval

Set the calibration interval required between automatic calibrations, starting from the calibration date (6 hours, 12 hours or 1 to 7 days in 1 day increments).

Store.

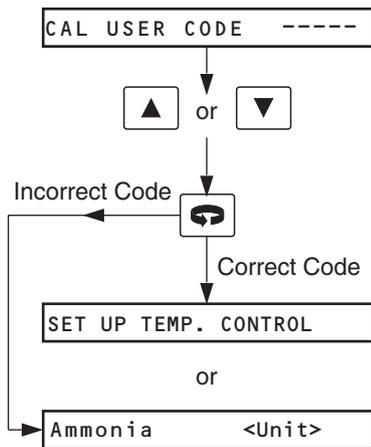
Return to top of **Set Up Clock Page**.

or

Advance to **Calibration User Code Page**.

6.2.8 Calibration User Code Page

The calibration user code is required to gain access to the Set Up Temperature Control and Calibration Pages. The access code can be altered in the Calibration Page, if required – see Section 6.2.11.



Calibration User Code

Set the correct user code.

Advance to next programming page.

Set Up Temperature Control Page.

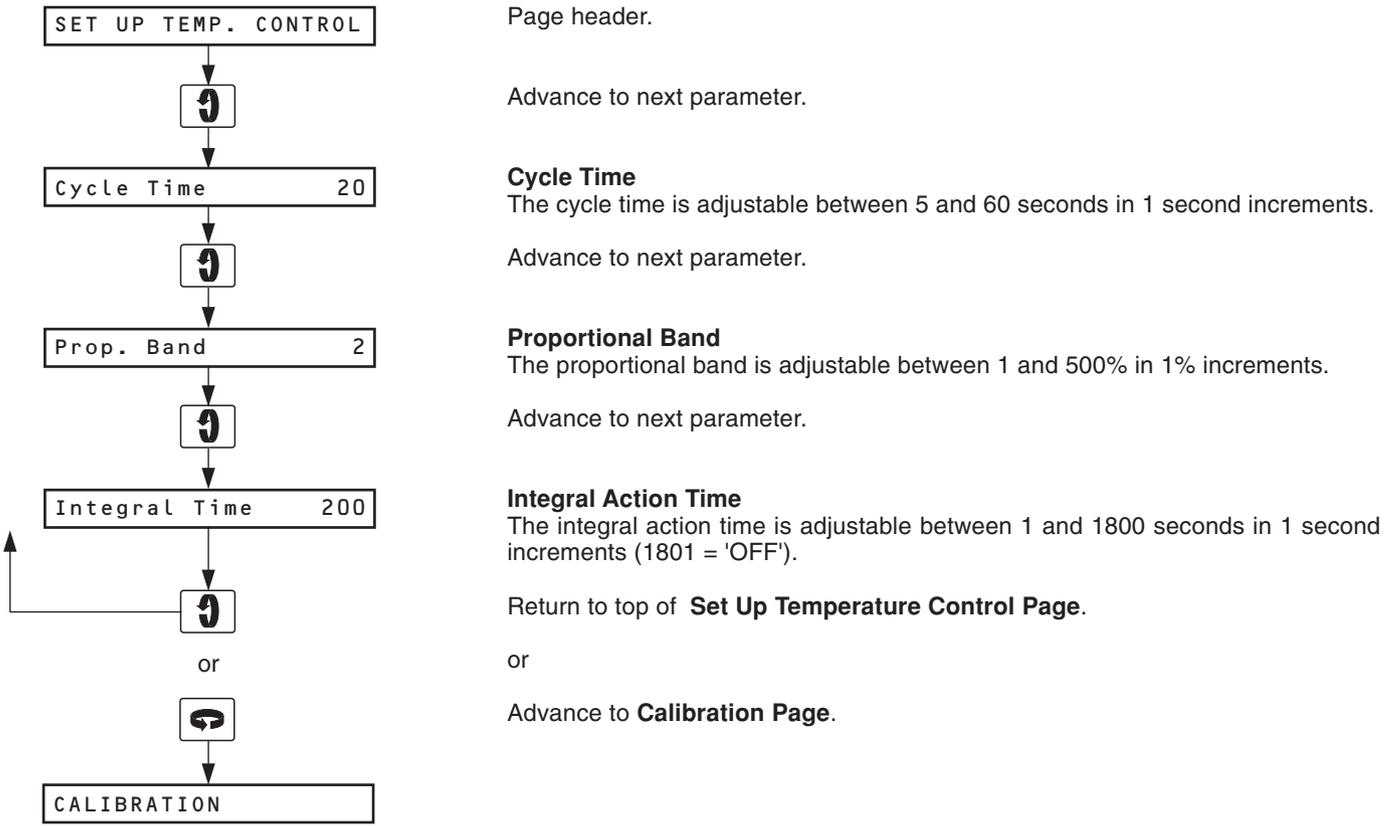
or

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6.2.9 Set Up Temperature Control Page

The parameters within this page are factory preset and should not require any adjustment.



Page header.

Advance to next parameter.

Cycle Time

The cycle time is adjustable between 5 and 60 seconds in 1 second increments.

Advance to next parameter.

Proportional Band

The proportional band is adjustable between 1 and 500% in 1% increments.

Advance to next parameter.

Integral Action Time

The integral action time is adjustable between 1 and 1800 seconds in 1 second increments (1801 = 'OFF').

Return to top of **Set Up Temperature Control Page**.

or

Advance to **Calibration Page**.

6.2.10 Electrical Calibration

Electrical calibration is carried out prior to despatch and should require no subsequent adjustment. However, if measurements become suspect or if the contents of the 'CALIBRATION' page are inadvertently altered, recalibrate as detailed in the following sections.

Note. The calibration procedure involves modifying part of the original programme but, **provided that changed values are not stored using the 'Enter' switch**, the original programme, which was stored in the nonvolatile memory, can easily be reinstated at the end of calibration by switching off the instrument and switch on again.

If there is thought to be any risk that the original programme could be lost, it is advisable to make a note of the normal parameter settings. If the changed programme values are inadvertently 'Entered', the instrument can be reprogrammed on completion of the calibration procedure.

Equipment Required

- Millivolt source, range -400 to +400 mV.
- Electrode coaxial plug/lead assembly – supplied with monitor;
- Decade resistance box†, 0 to 1 k Ω in 0.01 Ω increments.

† Resistance boxes have an inherent residual resistance which may range from a few milliohms to one ohm. This value must be taken into account when simulating input levels, as must the overall tolerances of the resistors within the box.

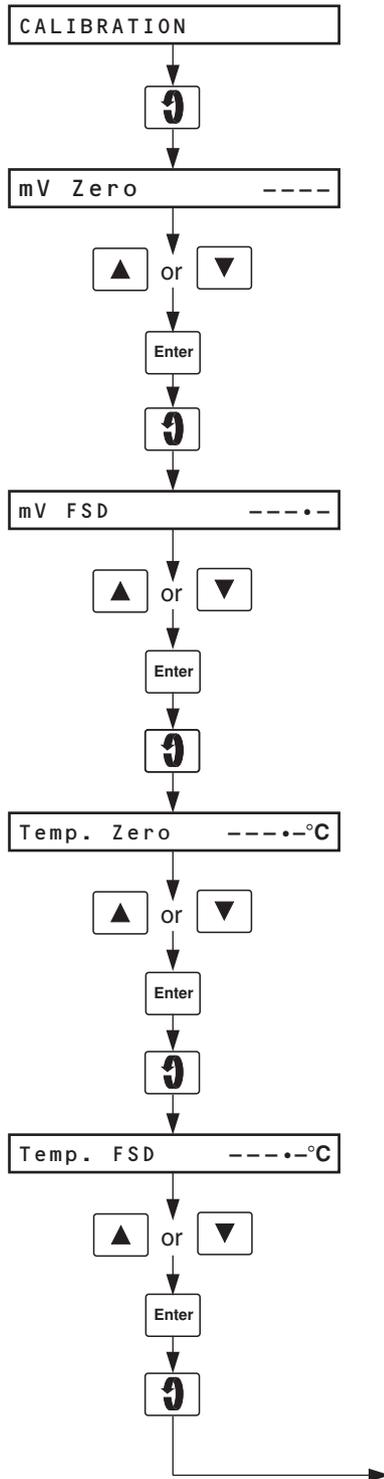
- Digital milliammeter, 0 to 20 mA – refer to Fig. 2.4 to identify the output range.

Preparation

- Switch off the supply and disconnect the temperature sensor leads from terminals 1, 2 and 3 in the Microprocessor Unit. Make the following connections:

1 & 3 (temperature sensor)	} decade box
2 (temperature sensor)	
- Insert the coaxial plug into the ISE socket above the flowcell and connect the millivolt source (inner +ve, outer -ve).
- Connect the milliammeter in place of the appropriate current output connections in the junction box – see Section 2.6.
- Switch on the supply and allow two minutes (30 minutes from cold) for the circuits to stabilise.
- Select the appropriate **Cal User Code** to gain access to the programming pages – see Section 6.2.8.

6.2.11 Electrical Calibration Page



Page header.

Advance to next parameter.

Millivolt Input Zero

Set the millivolt source to -400 mV.

Set the display to ' -400 ' mV.

Store. New value is accepted only when input is stable.

Advance to next parameter.

Millivolt Input Full Scale

Set the millivolt source to $+400$ mV.

Set the display to ' $+400$ ' mV.

Store. New value is accepted only when input is stable.

Advance to next parameter.

Temperature Zero

Set the resistance box to 96.09Ω (resistive equivalent of -10 °C).

Set the display to ' -10 ' °C.

Store. New value is accepted only when input is stable.

Advance to next parameter.

Temperature Full Scale

Set the resistance box to 142.29Ω (resistive equivalent of 110 °C).

Set the display to ' 110 ' °C.

Store. New value is accepted only when input is stable.

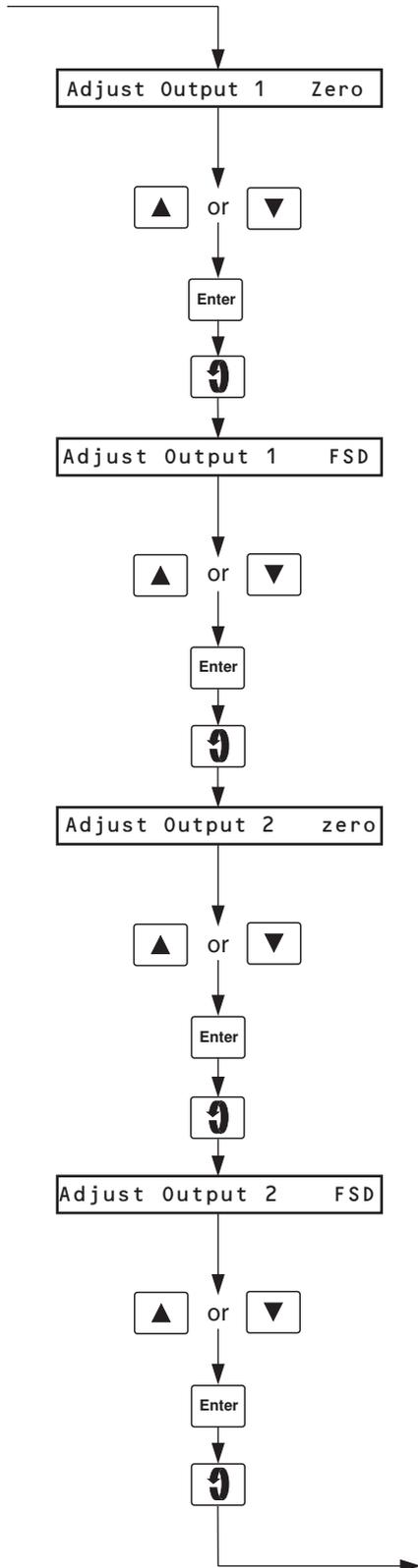
Advance to next parameter.

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Adjust Current Output 1 Zero

The monitor transmits a zero signal, e.g. for a 4 to 20 mA output range, 4 mA is transmitted.

Set the milliammeter reading to the current output 1 zero level, i.e. 0 mA (zero-based ranges) or 4 mA (4 to 20 mA range).

Store.

Advance to next parameter.

Adjust Current Output 1 Full Scale

The monitor transmits a span signal, e.g. for a 4 to 20 mA output range, 20 mA is transmitted.

Set the milliammeter reading to the current output 1 full scale level, i.e. 1 mA, 10 mA or 20 mA as applicable.

Store.

Advance to next parameter.

Adjust Current Output 2 Zero

The monitor transmits a zero signal, e.g. for a 4 to 20 mA output range, 4 mA is transmitted.

Set the milliammeter reading to the current output 2 zero level, i.e. 0 mA (zero-based ranges) or 4 mA (4 to 20 mA range).

Store.

Advance to next parameter.

Adjust Current Output 2 Full Scale

The monitor transmits a span signal, e.g. for a 4 to 20 mA output range, 20 mA is transmitted.

Set the milliammeter reading to the current output 2 full scale level, i.e. 1 mA, 10 mA or 20 mA as applicable.

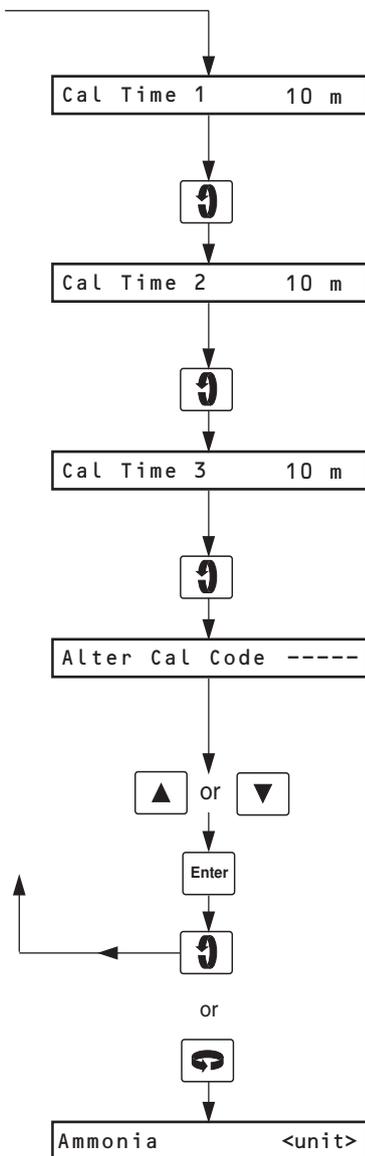
Store.

Advance to next parameter.

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Calibration Time 1

The displayed value is preset at the factory and must not be altered. See Table 7.1.

Advance to next parameter.

Calibration Time 2

The displayed value is preset at the factory and must not be altered. See Table 7.1.

Advance to next parameter.

Calibration Time 3

The displayed value is preset at the factory and must not be altered. See Table 7.1.

Advance to next parameter.

Alter Calibration Code

The calibration user code inhibits access to the **Set Up Temperature Control Page** and the **Calibration Page** – see Section 6.2.8.

Set a suitable user code, between 0 and 19999.

Store.

Return to top of **Electrical Calibration Page**.

or

Return to **Operating Page 1**.

7 CALIBRATION

7.1 Calibration Sequence

Calibration of the monitor is carried out by replacing the sample solution sequentially with two standard solutions of known concentration. This calibration sequence (see Table 7.1) can be initiated automatically at preset times, or manually on demand.

The sensor outputs obtained during calibration are used to calculate the calibration graph for the monitor and the accuracy of the standard solutions will, therefore, have a direct effect upon the overall accuracy of the monitor. Given accurate standards, it is clear that the best accuracy would be expected at the two calibration points. Ideally, the concentrations of the two standards should bracket the expected sample concentration closely, but the latter often varies quite widely. In practice it is convenient, and often the best compromise, to use standards whose concentrations are one decade apart, i.e. differ by a factor of 10, and bracket the expected range of sample concentrations. For example, if the range of sample concentrations is expected to be 5 to 10 ppm, then standards of 2 and 20 ppm could be used – see Section 8.1.2 concerning low concentration ammonia standards.

Note. The concentrations of the two standard solutions must differ from each other by a factor of at least four.

On initiation of the calibration sequence, either manual or automatic, the 'Cal' l.e.d. is illuminated and the Calibration Mode relay is energised. Two solenoid valves, SV1 and SV2 operate sequentially to shut off the sample and admit standard solutions of known concentration, one low and one high (STD1 and STD2), to the sample path.

Once a valve is energised, sufficient time (preset to suit the sensor response time) is allowed for the previous solution to be displaced, and for the sensor to respond to the new solution, before the sensor output is evaluated for stability by the microprocessor. When a stable output is achieved the next stage in the sequence is initiated.

After calibration the probe outputs corresponding to the two standard solutions are used to calculate a new calibration graph for the monitor, thus compensating for any drift in probe or liquid handling performance characteristics since the last calibration, and the new slope value can be displayed in Operating Page 1 (100% slope is the theoretical value).

If the values are within limits, 'CALIBRATION PASSED' is displayed.

'CAL FAILED (SLOPE)' is displayed if the slope value is outside acceptable limits and 'CAL FAILED (SLOW)' is displayed if the sensor output failed to stabilise within 15 minutes after the end of Cal Time 1 or Cal Time 2.

Activity	Introduce STD1	Sensor Stabilises	Introduce STD2	Sensor Stabilises	Introduce Sample	Normal Operation
Valve Open	SV1	SV1	SV2	SV2	None	None
Timing	Preset (Cal Time 1)	Variable *	Preset (Cal Time 2)	Variable *	Preset (Cal Time 3)	None

*15 min. max.

Table 7.1 Calibration Sequence Summary

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8.1 Chemistry

Neither ammonium ion content nor total ammonia can be measured directly in an untreated sample, since the probe can respond only to free ammonia gas. The ammonium ions must therefore be converted to free ammonia by adjusting the pH of the sample solution to a value greater than 11. This is effected by addition of a sodium hydroxide solution to the sample before it is presented to the probe. This reagent also has a second function, i.e., to fix the total concentration of dissolved species in the final solution at approximately 0.2M.

In water industry applications a water softener, EDTA, is added prior to the sodium hydroxide addition. Besides preventing hardness precipitation, this also overcomes inaccuracies caused by complexing of ammonia with some metal ions. In power applications where the hardness levels are very low this second reagent is not required, so the bottle tube, pump tube and first reaction coil can be removed.

The reagent and standard solutions described below are required to maintain the monitor in operation. Where possible, they should be freshly made and stored in plastic (e.g. polythene) bottles. Typical reagent solution consumption for a continuously operating monitor is approximately 10 litres per month. The monitor uses 50 to 80 ml of each standard solution each calibration cycle; consumption of the standard solution, also depends on the frequency with which this cycle is carried out.

8.1.1 Reagent Solutions

Two reagent solutions are used in the ammonia monitor. Care must be exercised to ensure that the correct reagent is fed into each channel. They are prepared as follows:

Reagent 1 – Orange Channel

Dissolve 315 (± 5) g laboratory reagent grade di-sodium EDTA in approximately 8 litres of high purity water and make up to 10 litres with more high purity water.

Note. If the monitor is to be used on power plant applications the reagent will not be required due to the insignificant concentration of hardness in the sample.

Reagent 2 – Red Channel

Dissolve 1000 (± 10) g analytical reagent grade sodium hydroxide (NaOH) in approximately 8 litres of high purity water. Allow the solution to cool and then make up to ten litres with more high purity water.

Warning. This solution is extremely caustic; avoid contact with the skin and eyes. If contact occurs, wash with plenty of clean water.

8.1.2 Standard Solutions

Two standard solutions of known concentration appropriate to the measuring range are required for calibration of the monitor. To prepare a stock solution of 10,000 mg l⁻¹ follow instructions below:

a) **Ammonia as N** – Dissolve 38.21 (± 0.01) g analytical reagent grade ammonium chloride (NH₄Cl) (dried) in approximately 200 ml of high purity water.

Ammonia as NH₃ – Dissolve 31.47 (± 0.01) g analytical reagent grade ammonium chloride (NH₄Cl) (dried) in approximately 200 ml of high purity water.

Ammonia as NH₄⁺ – Dissolve 29.72 (± 0.01) g analytical reagent grade ammonium chloride (NH₄Cl) (dried) in approximately 200 ml of high purity water.

b) Transfer the solution to a one litre volumetric flask and make up to the mark with more high purity water.

c) Dilute the appropriate stock solution with more high purity water to make the two standard solutions for the measuring range of the monitor. Store in plastic bottles.

Note. Low value ammonia standard solutions should be avoided. For example, at ambient temperatures of about 25 °C, and under normal light conditions, a 0.5 mg l⁻¹ NH₃ solution is expected to lose at least 10% of its concentration over a seven day period. Because of the instability of such solutions, it is not possible to programme a standard solution of lower concentration than 0.2 mg l⁻¹ NH₃ on this monitor. Solutions as low as 0.2 mg l⁻¹ can be prepared with care, but must be used immediately, making it an unsuitable concentration for long term use with the monitor.

Note. The mass relationship of ammonium (NH₄⁺) to ammonia (NH₃) is 18/17 and ammonia (NH₃) to nitrogen (N) is 17/14.

8.2 Scheduled Servicing

The following servicing schedule has been produced as a general guide only. Because the monitor has been designed for a very wide range of applications, where the nature of the sample can vary considerably, it may be necessary to amend the schedule to suit the particular installation and sample conditions.

8.2.1 Regular Visual Checks

It is recommended that the monitor and the sampling system is visually inspected on a regular basis to assure correct functioning of the system and to check the integrity of the readings.

a) Check for leaks, particularly around the sample and drain pipework connections.

b) Confirm sample flow by checking delivery to the constant head unit and effluent from the drain.

c) Check liquid flow over the probe membrane.

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- d) Check liquid levels in the reagent and standard solution containers.
- e) Check for malfunction indications on the instrument display.

Note. The mains and pump/heater switches are situated on the right hand side of the User Junction Box.

8.2.2 Four Weekly

- a) Inspect all tubing and flowcell for leaks or deterioration, and for signs of accumulation of solid deposits.
- b) Clean monitor pipework if there are signs of algae visible.
- c) Check the level of the filling solution in the probe and top-up if necessary.
- d) Discard old reagent and standard solutions. Clean containers thoroughly before refilling with fresh solutions – see Section 8.1.

Note. It is vital that the containers are not topped up.

- e) Examine the sample input pipe for leaks and deterioration.
- f) Ensure the drain is in good order and free from obstruction.

8.2.3 Two Monthly

Refurbish the probe – see Section 8.2.7.

8.2.4 Twelve Monthly

- a) Service pump, tubing and capstans – see Section 8.2.8.
- b) Replace all internal plumbing tubing – see Section 8.2.9.
- c) Carry out the normal 4 weekly schedule not already covered above.

8.2.5 Cleaning Sample Pipework

A common problem in measuring water samples from rivers, treatment works, etc., is the presence of bacteriological growth in the sample.

In the form of algae it creates a problem by growing inside tubing supplying sample to analysers, as well as in the monitors and associated ABB Kent-Taylor Ultrafilters, if used. If severe, this growth may cause blockages in tubing or valves and/or fouling of flowcells and sensors.

In addition, the algae may affect the concentration of the measured parameter in the sample. This is particularly severe in ammonia monitors, where algal growth in supply lines causes 'ammonia stripping' and a reduction in the measured concentration. Other parameters, however, may also be affected.

It is therefore essential to maintain sterile conditions. This requires periodic cleaning, at a frequency dependent on sample conditions. It is suggested that a regular maintenance programme is introduced, rather than wait for visible signs of the presence of algal growth.

Note. Once growth is visible the problem is already serious.

The recommended agent for cleaning tubing and pipework is sodium hypochlorite solution containing about 0.1% (1000 mg l⁻¹) available chlorine.

Cleaning Solution

To prepare 500 ml of cleaning solution, dilute 5 ml of concentrated sodium hypochlorite (NaOCl) solution (containing approximately 10% available chlorine) with de-ionised water and make up to 500 ml with more de-ionised water.

Note. The solution is unstable. Make only enough for immediate requirements and discard any surplus after use.

Warning. Sodium hypochlorite is an irritant. Contact with acids liberates toxic gas. Avoid contact with skin and eyes. If contact occurs, wash with plenty of clean water.

Method

Where an Ultrafilter is used, clean according to the manual with a 0.05% (500 mg l⁻¹) chlorine solution (i.e. half the concentration of the above solution). Tubing between the Ultrafilter and the analyser should also be flushed through, along with the constant head tank.

- a) Remove sensors for short-term storage before cleaning – see Section 8.3.1
- b) Remove the reagent and calibration solution take-up tubes from their respective containers. Fill a calibration container with the sodium hypochlorite cleaning solution, place it in the calibration container recess and immerse the take-up tubes in the solution.
- c) Operate 'Cal' to initiate a calibration sequence to draw the solution through the solenoid valves tubing and flowcell.
- d) Remove any dislodged debris from the flowcell and clean the constant-head unit with the cleaning solution using the bottle brush provided. The tube between the constant-head unit and SV1 can be cleaned with the cleaning solution using the syringe.
- e) Repeat the process using high purity water to flush out the sodium hypochlorite solution.

If, after cleaning, there are still signs of discoloration or deposits in the monitor tubing, it should be discarded and replaced with new tubing throughout. In cases where the monitor tubing is blocked or very heavy deposits are found, it may be necessary to simply replace the tubing without attempting to clean it.

Cleaning Solution Containers

Great care should be taken to ensure that reagent and standard solution containers are thoroughly cleaned whenever their contents are changed, as algal growth can also occur in them. Under normal circumstances thorough rinsing of the containers with high purity water may be adequate. However, if there is any evidence of algal growth, the containers should be rinsed with sodium hypochlorite solution (containing about 0.1% available chlorine) and thoroughly flushed out with water afterwards. A bottle brush may be useful to remove stubborn deposits.

It is advisable when changing standard or reagent solutions to replace the container and remove the empty/used one for thorough cleaning.

Note. It must be emphasised that containers which are to be used for ammonia standard solutions must be very thoroughly washed out after chlorine treatment because any residual chlorine will react with ammonia and hence change the standard concentration. In addition to thorough washing with water, it is suggested that the containers are rinsed with a portion of the ammonia standard before finally filling.

8.2.6 Consumables Spares Kit

If one is not supplied, it should be ordered before the end of the first year of operation. This kit includes all the components which are recommended for replacement annually (see Section 10). This annual refurbishment ensures a high level of reliability from the monitor over a period of many years. Another kit should be ordered when the old one is used so that all the items are available throughout the following year's operation. The consumable spares kit is in addition to the electrode spares kit.

The kit contains the following:

- one set of pump tubing
- one set of pump capstans
- a complete set of plumbing tubing
- sundry items – 'O' rings, tube connectors, pump tube bungs and fuses
- plastic syringe and bottle brush – for cleaning pipework, valves, flowcell and constant-head unit.

8.2.7 Assembling/Refurbishing the Probe

The ammonia probe is a gas sensing combination electrode assembly. It is supplied in kit form and must be assembled or refurbished using one of the appropriate procedures below:

Refurbishing

- a) Dismantle the probe and rinse off the filling solution with demineralised water.
- b) Remove the membrane from the end cap and retain the sealing washer; use a new washer if it is damaged.
- c) Proceed from step c) in **Assembling the Probe** below.

Assembling the Probe

- a) Unscrew the end cap from the probe body. Rinse the probe body with distilled or de-ionised water. Allow to drain.
- b) Remove the teat from the glass electrode. Rinse the electrode with distilled or de-ionised water. Dry with a paper tissue.
- c) Screw the glass electrode into the body until the tip of the electrode is flush with the end face of the probe. Note the number on the electrode cap in line with the mark on the body. Unscrew the electrode cap four full turns.
- d) Drop a membrane (coloured white) into the end cap and place the sealing washer centrally upon it.
- e) Screw the end cap firmly onto the body, taking care not to wrinkle the membrane. Ensure that the body seal and the membrane sealing washer are both under compression.
- f) Holding the probe upright, inject the filling solution provided through the filling hole until there is a 50 to 60 mm depth of solution inside so that the reference element is immersed in the solution. Wipe any excess filling solution from the body.
- g) Tap the end of the probe with the finger to dislodge any air bubbles which have been trapped between the end of the glass electrode and the membrane. Screw the glass electrode down four turns to the flush position again and then a further 1.0 ± 0.1 turns. The tip of the electrode should now be pressing against the membrane. In some circumstances, particularly if the electrode response is sluggish, the screw may be given a further 0.2 to 0.3 turn. Beware of overtightening, which can puncture the membrane.
- h) Push the probe cap onto the top of the probe body so that it covers the filling hole.

Note. A newly assembled probe should be run on sample for 2 to 4 hours before a calibration is attempted.

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...8.2.7 Assembling/Refurbishing the Probe Fitting the Probe – Fig. 8.1

When the Ammonia Probe has been prepared for use in accordance with steps a) to h) proceed as follows:

- i) Hinge down the temperature controlled block cover to gain access to the block. Fit the assembled probe into the recess in the temperature controlled block, ensuring that the probe sits at the bottom of the recess. Rotate the retaining clip to hold the probe in position. **Do not** touch the delicate membrane with any hard or sharp objects.
- j) With sample and reagents flowing, ensure that liquid is delivered on to the membrane, flows over its surface and drips off the lower edge of the probe end cap into the drain recess, as shown.
- k) Replace the cover on the temperature controlled block.
- l) Connect probe lead to the coaxial socket above the temperature controlled block.

8.2.8 Peristaltic Pump – Fig. 8.2

It is recommended that the pump tubing and pump capstans, supplied in the Consumable Spares Kit, are replaced after one year of operation. Carry out the following procedure ① to ⑧:

8.2.9 Replacement of Plumbing Tubing

All necessary items are included in the Consumable Spares Kit.

- a) Remove probe for short term storage.
- b) Remove each section of the sample and reagent plumbing tubing in turn and replace with new tubing of the same length.
- c) Remove drain tubing and replace with new tubing of the same length.
- d) Clean the constant head unit, solenoid valves and sample heating coil in the flowcell with a syringe filled with sodium hypochlorite solution.
- e) It is recommended that the sample and drain tubing to and from the monitor is inspected and replaced if the tubing is in poor condition or shows evidence of any build up of solids.

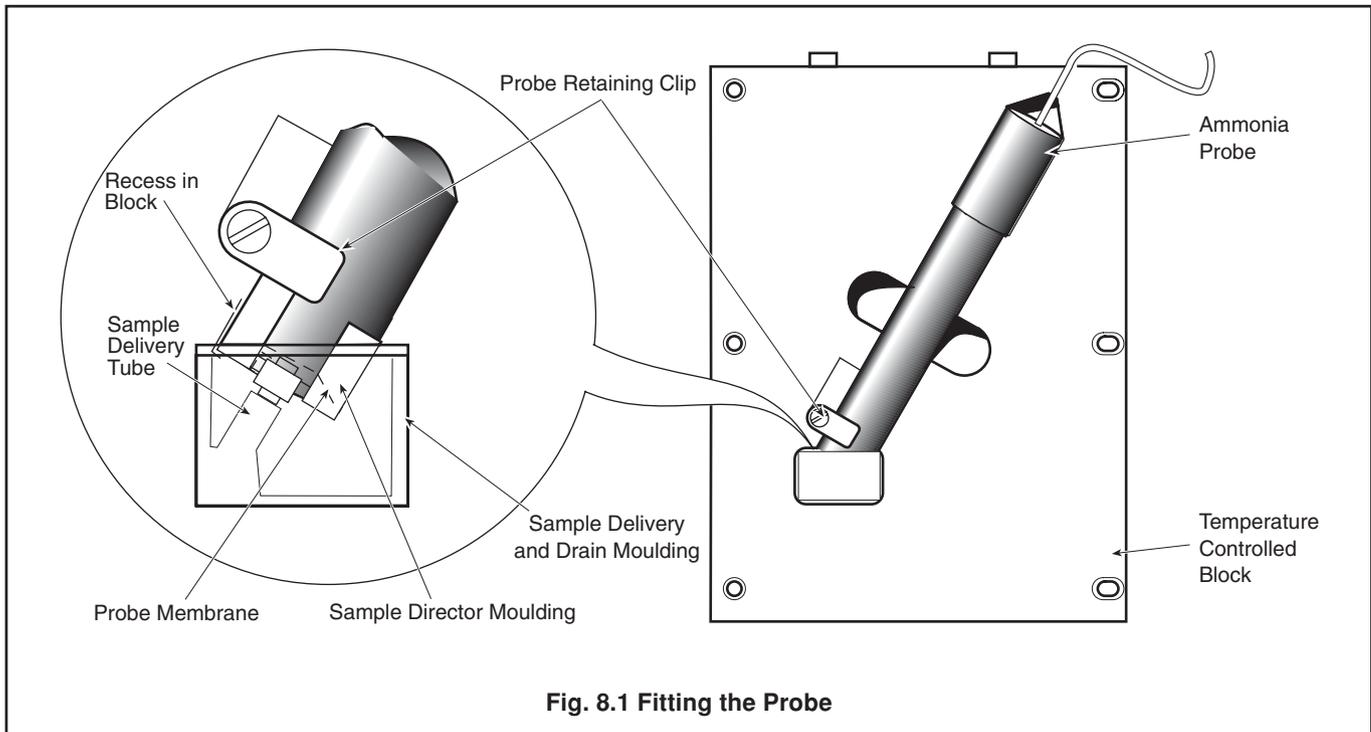
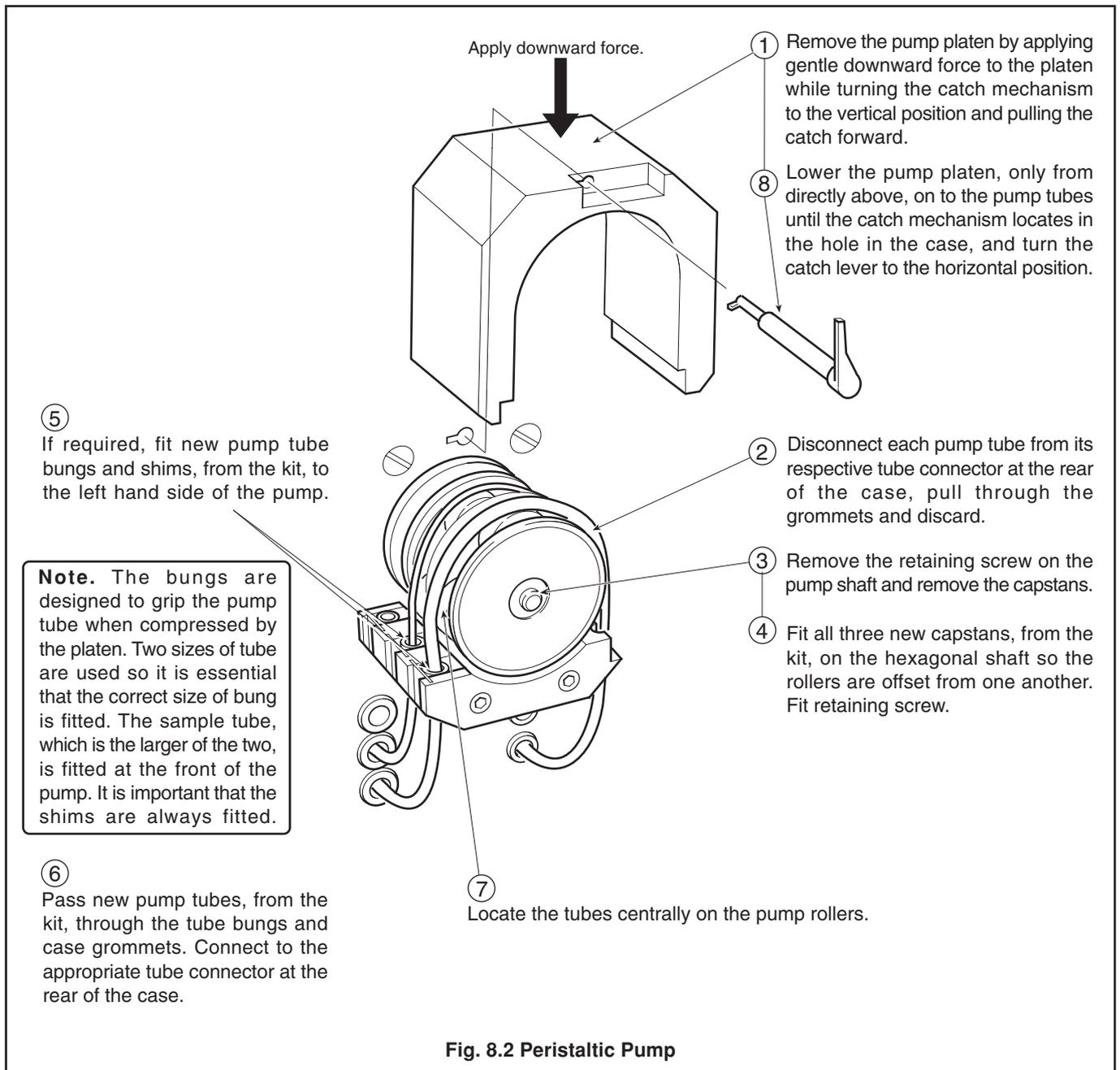


Fig. 8.1 Fitting the Probe



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8.3 Shutdown Procedure

8.3.1 Short Term

The monitor can be left with the power switched off for up to 24 hours without any detrimental effects. When returned to normal monitoring mode, the monitor should be run on sample for 30 minutes, followed by a calibration – see Section 7.

If the probe is left in the monitor with no liquids flowing, the internal filling solution becomes more concentrated by evaporation of water through the membrane. The probe output drifts when normal operation is resumed and many hours may be required to re-establish stability. In such cases normal performance can sometimes be restored by unscrewing the glass electrode 2 to 3 turns and then returning it to its original position, thus allowing fresh filling solution to flow between it and the membrane. If this procedure is not successful replace the membrane and filling solution.

If the probe is likely to be out of use for more than one day, remove from the monitor and store with the lower part of the body immersed in a small quantity of liquid in a beaker or other suitable vessel. 0.1M ammonium chloride is the best storage solution (but it is essential that all traces of the storage solution are rinsed away with clean water before use); otherwise, a small amount of the EDTA reagent (Reagent 1) is suitable.

8.3.2 Long Term

When the monitor is required to be shut down for more than 24 hours, proceed as follows:

- Switch of the monitor.
- Close the sample valve upstream of the monitor.
- Dismantle the probe and return to its box. First the glass electrode is unscrewed, then the rest of the probe emptied, rinsed and drained. Store the glass electrode with its end in a teat containing a neutral buffer solution, taking care not to cover the reference element.

d) Clean sample pipework both inside and outside the monitor, constant head unit, and filtration system (if used).

e) Remove pressure plate from peristaltic pump.

8.4 Unscheduled Servicing

The monitor indicates abnormal operation by means of signals on the 20 character dot matrix display and l.e.d's. The indications are listed in Table 8.1.

8.4.1 Malfunction of the Monitor

It should always be remembered that any unpredictable problems may be due to the standard or reagent solutions, or their flow through the flowcell. If any doubts exist regarding the integrity of the solutions, they should be replaced with freshly prepared solutions in the early stages of the fault finding investigations.

Note. The accuracy of the monitor is governed by the condition of these solutions which may be incorrectly made or contaminated.

In general, any problems are likely to be due to the electrodes, which may require refurbishment (see Section 8.4.3), but may be due to other parts of the liquid handling section of the monitor.

Mechanical components which are involved with the liquid handling, for example, pumps, valves, tubing and tubing connections etc., should be systematically checked for correct operation, and for leaks or blockages which change the chemical conditions around the sensor. The majority of all problems are found to be associated with the chemistry and the liquid handling section.

Display	Possible Cause
'CALIBRATING Std 1 (or 2) Cal L.E.D. flashing 'CALIBRATION PASSED'	Normal when calibration is taking place. 'Std 1' or 'Std 2' refers to the standard solution being admitted at the time. A recent two point calibration has been successfully carried out.
'CAL. FAILED (SLOPE) Fail L.E.D. flashing	The slope value calculated from the probe outputs in the two standard solutions was outside the acceptable limits.
'CAL. FAILED (SLOW) Fail L.E.D. flashing	The monitor was unable to achieve a stable output from the probe.
'TEMP. CONTROL ERROR'	The sensor flowcell temperature is significantly different from the Control Temperature.
'OUT OF SAMPLE'	Indicates loss of sample.
Hold L.E.D. 'ON'	This indicates the Hold button has been pressed to freeze the concentration alarm states and to activate the Out of Service alarm relay. Pressing the button again returns the monitor to normal operation after a period of 3 hours.

Table 8.1 Unscheduled Servicing Messages

8.4.2 Monitor Diagnostic Information Out of Service Alarm

This alarm relay output is a normally energised relay which de-energises in the following circumstances:

- Loss of mains supply.
- Calibration Failed – the calculated electrode slope value is outside the acceptable limits or the response of the probe is too slow. The 'CAL FAIL' l.e.d. on the front panel is illuminated with the appropriate text on the 20-character display.
- Block temperature out of limits – the measured temperature of the Block is not within 5 °C of the Control Temperature. 'TEMP. CONTROL ERROR' is indicated on the 20-character display.
- 'OUT OF SAMPLE' alarm – a float switch in the constant head unit detects the loss of sample. 'OUT OF SAMPLE' is indicated on the 20-character display.
- 'OUT OF SERVICE' alarm – displayed when the pump is switched off.

Note. The heater is switched off by the software when an 'OUT OF SAMPLE' condition is detected.

Calibration Fail Alarm

A calibration failed condition occurs after a two point calibration if the calculated slope value is less than 80% or if the probe output is unstable. The failure could be caused by a number of factors which should be investigated.

In the 'CAL. FAILED (SLOPE)' case some indication of the problem may be obtained from the slope value.

Slope Value Just Below 80%

- Check liquid delivery on to the probe membrane – see Section 8.2.7 (j).
- Clean membrane by washing with a jet of clean water from a wash-bottle or syringe.
- Disassemble probe and reassemble – see Section 8.2.7.
- Check glass electrode – see Section 8.5.

Slope Value Grossly Abnormal

- Check, and top up as necessary, the filling solution in the probe. There should be a 50 to 60 mm depth of solution inside the probe.
- Disassemble probe and reassemble – see Section 8.2.7.
- Check glass electrode – see Section 8.5.
- Check reference element – see Section 8.5.

Noisy, unstable response or slow response

- Check liquid delivery on to the probe membrane – see Section 8.2.7 (j).

- Clean membrane by washing with a jet of clean water from a wash-bottle or syringe.
- Check, and top up as necessary, the filling solution in the probe. There should be a 50 to 60 mm depth inside the probe so that the reference element is immersed in the solution.
- Osmotic effects, i.e. total concentration of dissolved species in samples too high.
- Puncture of the membrane (usually visible), disassemble probe and reassemble – see Section 8.2.7.
- Interference (from for example high concentrations of anionic detergents).
- Check glass electrode – see Section 8.5.
- Check reference element – see Section 8.5.

In the 'CAL. FAILED (SLOW)' case the failure is usually due to slow sensor response, but may be due to an unstable (noisy or drifting) sensor output:

- Check sensor connections in the coaxial plugs and sockets, and inside the microprocessor unit.
- See **Malfunction of the Electrode/Probe** – see Section 8.4.3.

8.4.3 Malfunction of the Probe Internal Filling Solution

The internal filling solution incorporates a coloured indicator which is normally yellow. The indicator changes to blue if the probe membrane, or membrane seal, allows alkaline reagent to leak into the probe. If this occurs the membrane should be replaced, and care taken to tighten the end cap sufficiently to provide a good seal. The solution keeps indefinitely.

8.5 General Maintenance of the Probe

8.5.1 Ageing of the Glass Electrode

After the probe has been in use for some months, the performance of the glass electrode may eventually deteriorate due to its continued use in weakly buffered solutions at near neutral pH. The response of the probe becomes sluggish and the response slope drops. The electrode may frequently be restored to its initial condition by soaking for 12 hours in 0.1M hydrochloric acid. The performance of the electrode may be checked as described below.

8.5.2 Checking the Performance of the Glass Electrode

The glass electrode may be checked independently of the probe with a laboratory calomel reference electrode by testing the pair in pH buffer solutions.

Immerse the glass electrode to a depth of 5 to 10 mm. There must be no liquid contact with the reference element.

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Connect the electrodes to a pH meter and calibrate with pH buffers in the usual way. The glass electrode may be found to be somewhat slower in response than a conventional bulb-type electrode, but adequate scale length should be obtained, typically better than 98% of the theoretical slope value.

8.5.3 Reference Element

During the lifetime of the probe, the internal reference element may show signs of deterioration, indicated by the removal of the grey/brown silver chloride coating, exposing the buff/light grey silver element beneath. This is a normal process, the rate of removal depending on probe operating conditions and maintenance.

When new and in good condition this element is completely and evenly coated. Loss of a large part of this coating causes probe drift, but can be restored by re-chloridising the element, using the following procedure:

8.5.4 Procedure for Chloridising the Reference Element

Requirements –

- Plating solution – hydrochloric acid (HCl) 0.1M, 500 ml.

Note. Do not use acid preserved with mercuric ions.

- Cleaning solutions – Ammonia solution (NH₃) 50% vol./vol., 200 ml.
To prepare, dilute 100 ml analytical reagent grade concentrated ammonia solution, s.g. 0.88, with 100 ml distilled water and stir.
- Nitric acid (HNO₃), 25% vol./vol. 200 ml.
To prepare; cautiously pour 50 ml analytical reagent grade, concentrated nitric acid, s.g. 1.42, into 150 ml distilled water, stirring continuously. Allow to cool before use.

Warning. Stored ammonia solutions and concentrated nitric and hydrochloric acids are irritants and very corrosive. Take great care not to inhale the fumes of either or to get any on the skin or clothing. Any slight spillage on skin, clothing or working surface must be washed away with plenty of water.

- Constant current supply, 2 mA d.c. output.
- Silver wire (counter electrode).
- 1 beaker.

Cleaning –

- Immerse the lower 50 mm of the combination electrode (i.e. so that the silver reference element is covered) in the ammonia solution for about 1 minute. Remove and rinse with distilled water.
- Immerse the electrode to the same depth in the 25% nitric acid until the silver element is a uniform creamy white. This process usually takes about 1 minute, but the element must be inspected frequently as prolonged immersion is detrimental.

- If the element is not uniform in colour repeat the ammonia/nitric acid process.
- When clean, rinse with distilled water and immediately transfer to the plating solution such that the reference element is completely immersed.

Chloridisation –

- Attach the screen of the combination electrode cable to the negative terminal of the constant current supply and immerse the lower 50 mm of the electrode in the plating solution so that the reference element is covered. Immerse a silver counter electrode in the plating solution and connect to the positive terminal of the supply.
- Pass a current of 2 mA for approximately 30 seconds. Carefully tap the electrode to remove all bubbles and then reverse the connections to the supply (i.e. the electrode to be plated is connected to the positive terminal).
- Pass a current of 2 mA for 30 minutes after which time the electrode will be a dark brown or grey colour. A more uniform coating may be obtained by employing moderate stirring during the process.
- Remove the electrode from the plating solution, rinse with distilled water and dry with a tissue.

8.6 Microprocessor Unit Error Messages

The instrument incorporates an automatic self-diagnostic checking facility for detection of input and output errors. If such a fault occurs, one of the error messages detailed below is shown on the dot matrix display.

'CHAN 1 INPUT ERROR'

This error message is usually caused by an open circuit sensor input allowing the input to drift outside the range of ± 400 mV. This may be due to any of the following:

- Low level of filling solution in the probe.
- Open circuit electrode internally, e.g. broken connection.
- Broken electrical connections between the probe and the Microprocessor Unit sensor input.
- Sensor coaxial plugs not correctly inserted.

'TEMP INPUT ERROR'

'PRT OUT OF LIMITS'

'TEMP REF. ERROR'

'THIRD LEAD ERROR'

The above four error messages refer to electrical problems with the temperature sensor input – usually an open or short-circuited connection.

9 SPECIFICATION

Range: Ammonia 0.05 to 2000 mg l⁻¹.

Repeatability: ±2% of reading.

Reproducibility: ±3% of reading.

Response Time: Less than 10 minutes for 90% step change.

Millivolt Range: -400 to +400 mV.

Millivolt Resolution: ±0.1 mV.

Control Temperature

Range: 30 to 45 °C

Temperature

Resolution: ±0.1 °C

Displays:

Concentration 5 digit blue fluorescent.

Information 20 character dot matrix blue fluorescent.

Status indication Two flashing l.e.d.'s in alarm state.

Single l.e.d. lit when 'Hold' switch operated.

Single l.e.d. lit when calibration is in progress.

Single l.e.d. lit when the monitor is 'Out of Service'

Current Outputs: ... As standard one isolated current output 0 to 1, 0 to 10, 0 to 20 or 4 to 20 mA, selected via plug in links. Maximum voltage load 15 V.

Current Output

Span: Minimum 1 decade of display range, logarithmic or linear.

Computer Interface: Optional second current output or RS422/RS423 serial interface.

Alarms: Two high or low concentration alarms.
Remote calibration mode indication.
Remote monitor 'OUT OF SERVICE' indication.
Remote 'OUT OF SAMPLE' indication.
All voltage free 250 V, 5 A noninductive changeover relay contacts.

Concentration Alarm

Adjustment: Programmable over range.

Concentration Alarm

Differential: 0 to 5%.

Concentration Alarm

Delay: 0 to 60 minutes.

Programmable Data

Retention: 3 years.

Calibration: Fully automatic two point, plus manual initiation on demand.

Routine Maintenance:

Four weekly: Replenish reagents, clean flow system.

Twelve monthly: Replace plumbing and pump tubing, and pump capstans. Refurbish sensors depending on application.

Power Supply: 115 or 240 V, 50/60 Hz, 100 VA.

Power Supply

Tolerance: +6% to -20%.

Isolation Voltage: .. Input, Output and power supply 1.5 kV.

Dimensions:

Height: 890 mm (35.0").

Width: 542 mm (21.3").

Depth: 220 mm (8.7").

Weight 30 kg (66 lb)

Degree of Protection:

Electronic Section: IP65

Liquid Handling: .. Case IP31, critical internal components IP65.

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Consumable Spares

Part No.	Description	Qty
8230 020	Consumable spares kit comprising pump tubes, pump capstans, plumbing tubing, tube connectors and 'O' rings etc.	1
8002 240	Ammonia probe internal filling solution	1
8002 260	Ammonia probe membrane kit	1

Refurbishment Spares

Part No.	Description	Qty
8002 805	Ammonia probe kit	1
8002 701	Ammonia probe inner electrode	1
8002 780	Electrode body	1
8002 820	Probe clamp	1
8232 262	Sample heater tube	1
8232 270	EDTA reagent bottle assembly	1
8232 275	NaOH reagent bottle assembly	1
8232 269	Mixer coil	2
8230 221	Standard solution container assembly – 'High'	1
8230 220	Standard solution container assembly – 'Low'	1
8063 710	Container tube sinker	4
0214 514	Hose connector – sample inlet 6 mm i.d.	1
0214 526	Hose connector – monitor drain 9 mm i.d.	1
8022 990	Tube connector – 9 mm i.d. flowcell drain	1
8230 240	Temperature sensor assembly	1
8232 261	Sensor probe receptacle	1
8232 289	Sample drain director moulding	1
0234 019	Solenoid valve ('Burkert' Type)*	1

*This valve replaces 'Fluid Automation Systems' valve (part number 0232 092).

To convert to the Burkert valve, order solenoid valve assembly, part number 8230 207, which includes the valve and mounting bracket.

Strategic Spares

Part No.	Description	Qty
8232 280	Constant head unit	1
8061 864	Float switch – 'Out of Sample'	1
8230 208	Pump motor including 10 μ F capacitor (4 r.p.m. @ 50 Hz)*	1
8035 870	Pump motor coupling assembly	1
8232 254	Heater mat	1
0234 712	Heater thermal cut-out	1
8232 250	Heater plate assembly	1
0232 325	Mains transformer – User Junction Box	1
0234 713	Toggle switch – mains and pump switch	2
0234 714	Toggle switch boot	2
8230 130	P.C.B. assembly – User Junction Box	1
0239 117	Electrode coaxial plug	1
0239 118	Electrode coaxial socket	1
4500 0845	Processor Board (without EPROM)	1

*This motor replaces 0232 069 (5 r.p.m. @ 50 Hz), thus reducing reagent consumption.

Specify EPROM below as required

N.B. EPROM's require a special PLCC extraction tool

Part No.	Description	Qty
8232 170	EPROM (English)	1
8232 170 SP01	EPROM (English, range 0.05 to 2000 mg ⁻¹)	1
8232 171	EPROM (German)	1
8232 175	EPROM Serial Comm (English)	1
8232 176	EPROM Serial Comm (German)	1

4500 0817	Power supply board assembly	1
4500 0140	Display board pack assembly	1
4500 0245	Serial I/O board	1
4500 0255	Current O/P board	1
8230 055	mV input board	1
4500 0265	Temp. input board	1
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4500 0285	Power supply board	1
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4500 0443	5-digit display flexi-circuit	1
4500 0603	Display flexi-circuit	1
4500 0395	Membrane switch	1

4500 0715	Power supply board assembly (Fitted to pre CE marked monitors only)	1
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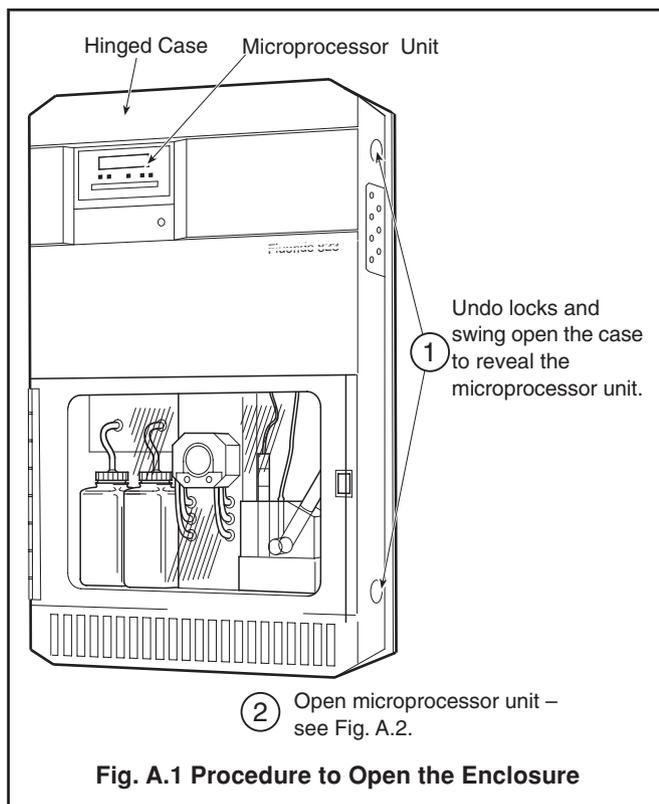
APENDIX A – REPLACING SOFTWARE EPROM

Warning. Switch off the monitor and electrically isolate it before carrying out the following steps.

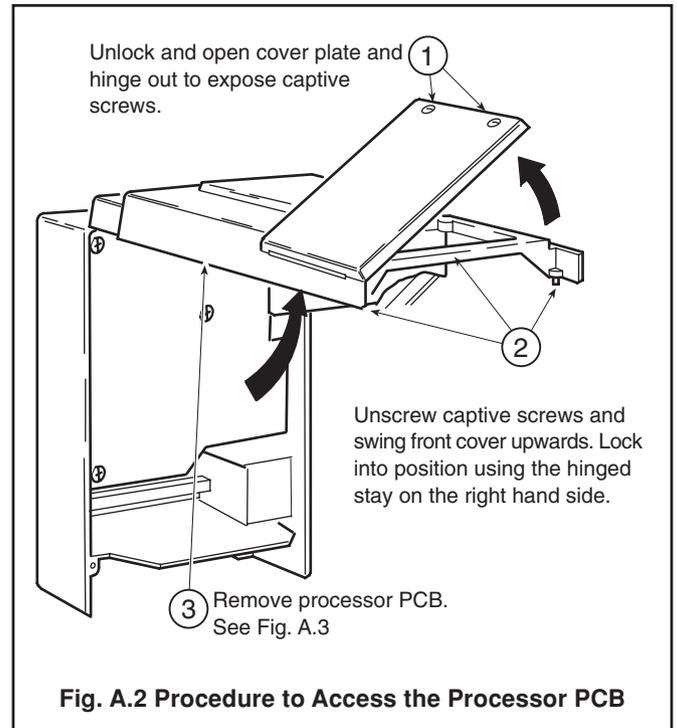
A.1 Access the Transmitter Unit – Fig. A.1

Caution. Employ normal antistatic precautions while handling chips and PCBs.

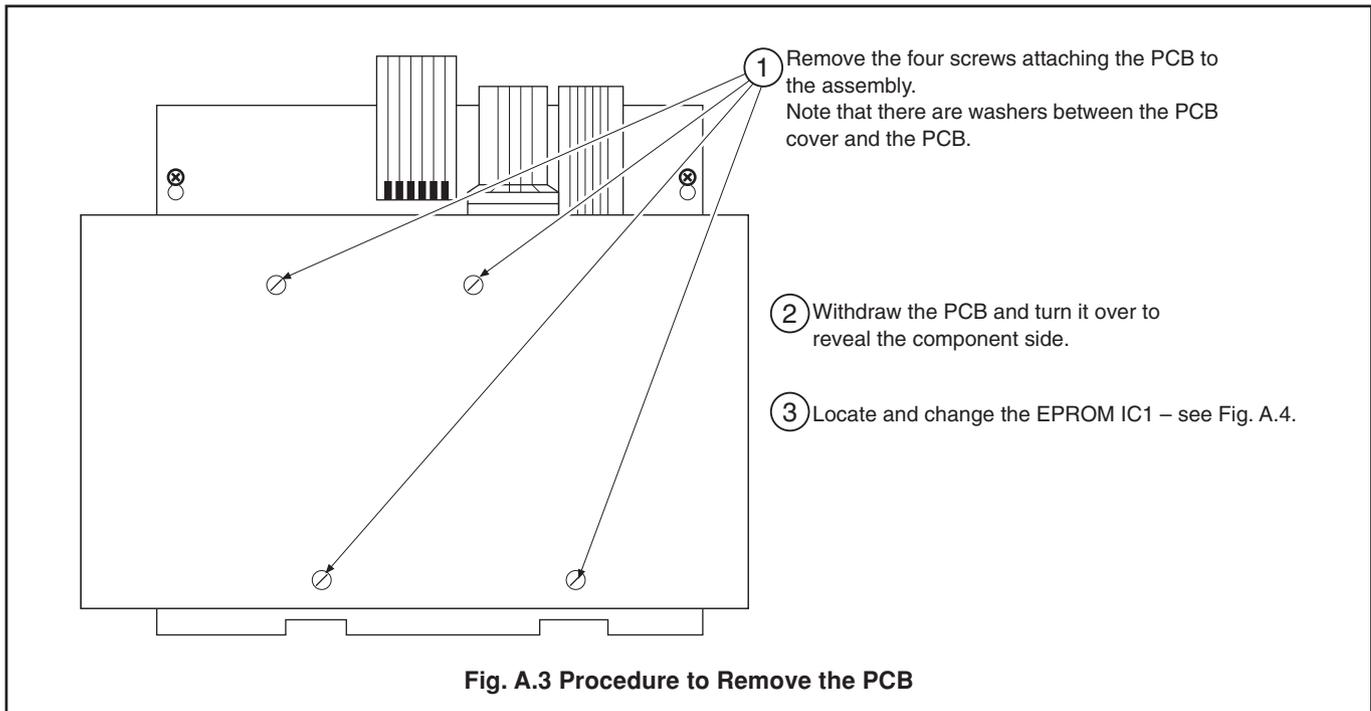
Caution. To avoid damaging EPROM, base or PCB, it is essential that you use an approved IC extractor in this procedure.
For example, a PLCC Extractor, RS Stock Number: 404-727



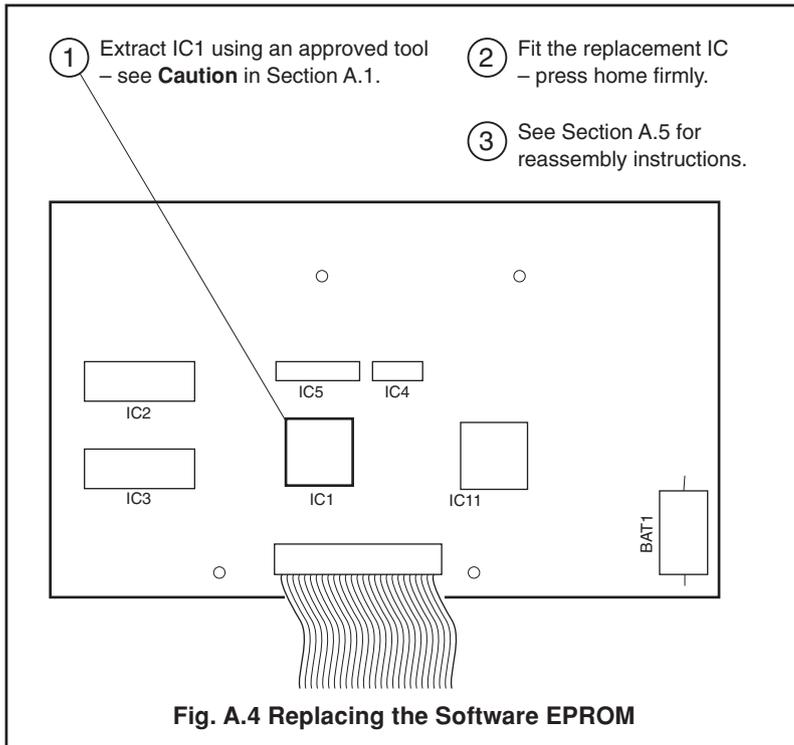
A.2 Access the PCB – Fig. A.2



A.3 Removing the PCB – Fig. A.3



A.4 Changing the EPROM – Fig. A.4



A.5 Completing the Procedure

- 1) Fit the PCB using the reverse procedure in Fig. A.3.

Important Note. Ensure that the washers are fitted between the PCB cover and the PCB.

- 2) Close the microprocessor section using the reverse procedure in Fig. A.2.
- 3) Close and lock the hinged cover – Fig. A.1.
- 4) The monitor may now be put into service.
- 5) Check program parameters – see Section 6.
- 6) Carry out a routine 2-point calibration.

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2. Copies of all storage, installation, operating and maintenance records relating to the alleged faulty unit.

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