# **Fluoride Monitor**

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	Protective earth (ground) terminal	$\sim$	Both direct and alternating current supply
<u> </u>	Earth (ground) terminal		The equipment is protected through double insulation

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# **1 INTRODUCTION**

### 1.1 Description

The Model 8231 Fluoride Monitor is a microprocessor based analyzer using a fluoride ion-selective electrode in conjunction with a silver-silver chloride reference electrode. This equipment is used for environmental water monitoring.

### 1.2 Training

Due to the specialized 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.

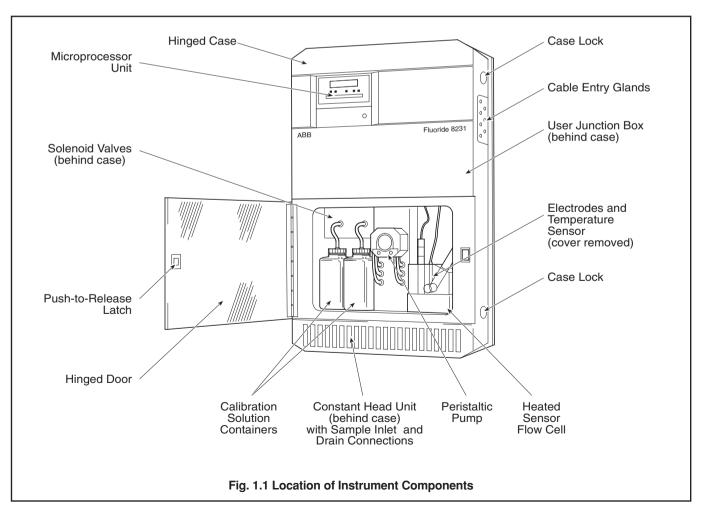
# 1.3 Location and Function of Main Components – Fig. 1.1

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 multichannel 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 flowcell, under constantly flowing conditions, where the ion measurement takes place. This measurement is carried out using an ion-selective sensing electrode.

The sensor 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 utilizes 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.



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### 2.1 Accessories

1 x reagent bottle, 1 x fluoride electrode, 4 x calibration bottles, 1 x silver-silver chloride reference electrode, 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 vapors (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  $40^{\circ}$ 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.

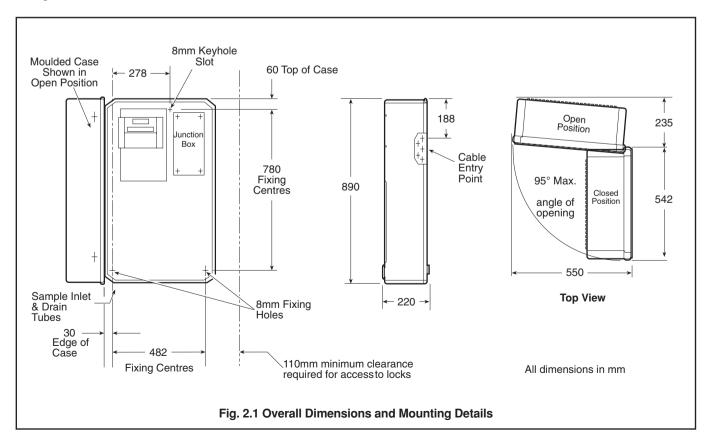
### 2.4 Sampling Requirement

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:

- a) Sample flowrates must be between 5 ml min<sup>-1</sup> and 1250 ml min<sup>-1</sup>.
- b) Sample temperature should be within 20°C of the ambient temperature and within the range 0 to 40°C.
- c) Particles must be less than 10 mg  $l^{-1}$  and the size must not exceed 60  $\mu$ m. 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

## Warnings.

- A disconnecting device such as a switch or circuit breaker conforming to local safety standards must be fitted to the final
  installation. It must be fitted in close proximity to the instrument within easy reach of the operator and must be marked clearly
  as the disconnection device for the instrument.
- Although certain instruments are fitted with internal fuse protection, a suitably rated external protection device, e.g. a 3A fuse or miniature circuit breaker (m.c.b.), must also be fitted by the installer.
- Remove all power from supply, relay and any powered control circuits and high common mode voltages before accessing or making any connections.
- The power supply earth (ground) must be connected to ensure safety to personnel, reduction of the effects of RFI interference and correct operation of the power supply interference filter.
- The power supply earth (ground) must be connected to the earth (ground) stud on the junction box case see Fig. 2.3.
- Use cable appropriate for the load currents. The terminals accept cables up to 14AWG (2.5mm<sup>2</sup>).
- The instrument conforms to Mains Power Input Insulation Category III. All other inputs and outputs conform to Category II.
- All connections to secondary circuits must have basic insulation.
- After installation, there must be no access to live parts, e.g. terminals.
- · Terminals for external circuits are for use only with equipment with no accessible live parts.
- The relay contacts are voltage-free and must be appropriately connected in series with the power supply and the alarm/ control device which they are to actuate. Ensure that the contact rating is not exceeded. Refer also to Section 2.8 for relay contact protection details when the relays are to be used for switching loads.
- Do not exceed the maximum load specification for the selected analog output range. The analog output is isolated, therefore the -ve terminal must be connected to earth (ground) if connecting to the isolated input of another device.
- If the instrument is used in a manner not specified by the Company, the protection provided by the equipment may be impaired.
- All equipment connected to the instrument's terminals must comply with local safety standards (IEC 60950, EN61010-1).

#### Notes.

- An earthing (grounding) stud terminal is fitted to the junction box case for bus-bar earth (ground) connection see Fig. 2.3.
- Always route signal output and mains-carrying/relay cables separately, ideally in earthed (grounded) metal conduit. Use twisted pair output leads or screened cable with the screen connected to the case earth (ground) stud.

Ensure that the cables enter the analyzer through the glands nearest the appropriate screw terminals and are short and direct. Do not tuck excess cable into the terminal compartment.

Ensure that the IP65 rating is not compromised when using cable glands, conduit fittings and blanking plugs/bungs (M20 holes). The M20 glands accept cable of between 5 and 9mm (0.2 and 0.35 in.) diameter.

### 2.7 External Electrical Connections – Fig. 2.3

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.

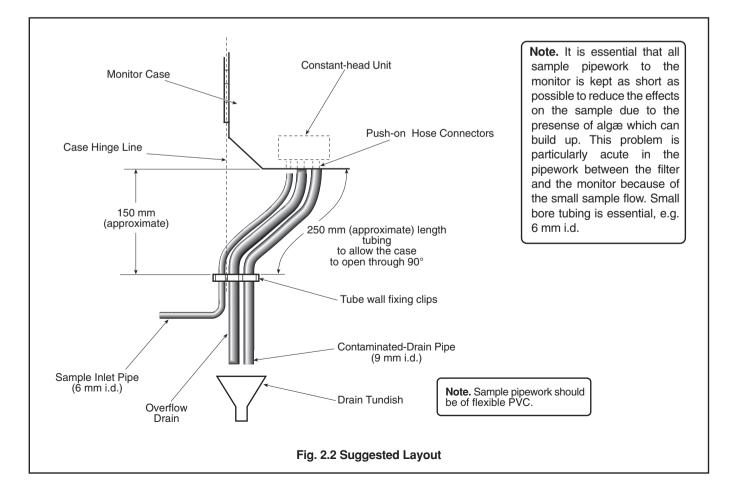
**Caution.** Slacken the terminal screws fully before making connections.

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.



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# 2.8 Relay Contact Protection and Interference Suppression – Fig. 2.5

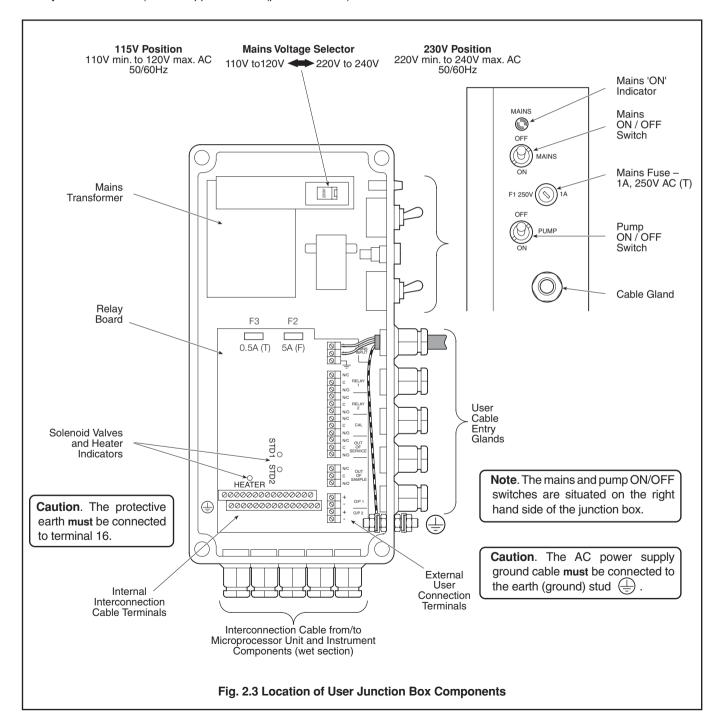
If the relays are used to switch loads on or off the relay contacts can become eroded due to arcing. Arcing also produces radio frequency interference (r.f.i.) which can cause instrument malfunctions and incorrect readings. To minimize the effects of r.f.i., arc suppression components are required; these 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  $100R/0.022\mu F$  RC suppressor unit (part no. B9303)

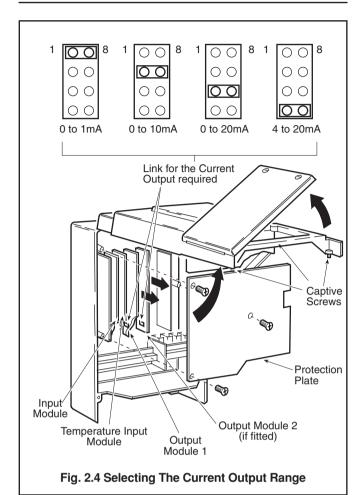
as shown in Fig. 2.5A. If the instrument malfunctions the value of the RC network is too low for suppression and an alternative value must be used. If the correct RC suppressor unit cannot be obtained, contact the manufacturer of the switched device for details of the RC unit required.

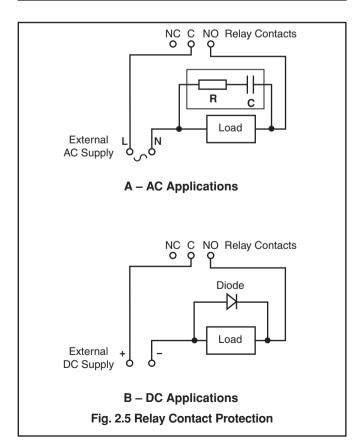
For **d.c. applications** fit a diode as shown in Fig. 2.5B. For general applications use an alternative IN5406 type (600 V peak inverse voltage at 3 A – part no. B7363).

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



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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.

- a) Ensure that all external electrical and plumbing connections have been made correctly.
- b) Fill reagent and standard solution bottles and connect them to the monitor. (See Section 8.1 for details of these solutions.)
- c) Fit the probe according to the instructions in Section 8.2.5.
- d) 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.

- e) Verify that there is an adequate supply of sample to the monitor constant head unit.
- f) Fit the pump platen on the peristaltic pumps (see Section 8.2.6) 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.
- g) 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.
- h) If the monitor exhibits good stability, i.e. ±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 takingNote of the flow directions indicated on the filter bodies.

## 4 LIQUID HANDLING SECTION

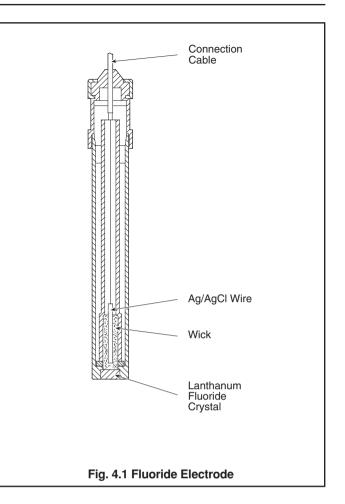
### 4.1 Principle of Operation – Fig. 4.1

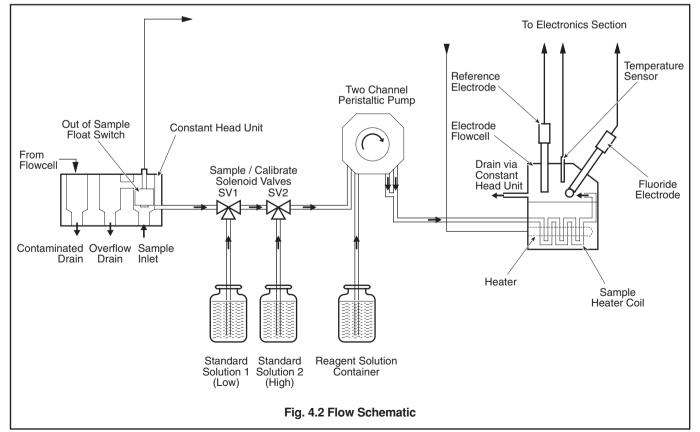
The monitor uses an ABB Fluoride Ion-selective Electrode in conjunction with a silver-silver chloride reference electrode. The sensing tip of the fluoride electrode comprises a single crystal of lanthanum fluoride, an ionic conductor in which fluoride ions are mobile. The electrode is connected to the main electronic unit via a screened cable. When the electrode is in contact with a sample fluoride solution, fluoride ion activity causes a potential to develop across the crystal. It is useful to remember that the output from the sensor is logarithmic with respect to the fluoride ion concentration.

The electrochemical cell is completed by the reference electrode, which generates a stable reference potential and is also connected to the main electronic unit. It comprises a reference element in a salt bridge container which is in contact with an outer electrolyte via a porous ceramic junction. The outer electrolyte then contacts the sample via another ceramic junction. This double junction arrangement protects the inner element from contamination.

Range of measurement can be set to any two consecutive decades of concentration between 0.1 to 1000 mg  $I^{-1}.$ 

Under typical circumstances, with appropriate standard solutions and calibration frequencies, accuracies better than  $\pm 5\%$  of reading or  $\pm 0.05$  mg l<sup>-1</sup> whichever is the greater, can be achieved.





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### 4.2 General Operation – Fig. 4.2

The sequence of events is:

- a) 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.
- b) 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.
- c) The reagent is drawn through another channel of the peristaltic pump, and is then mixed with the sample. The tube diameters are arranged so as to obtain the correct ratio of sample and reagent.
- d) The electrodes are housed in a temperature controlled flowcell which includes a heat exchanger to remove the effects of sample and ambient temperature variations. The electrode pair generates an electrical potential when exposed to the reacted sample which changes in proportion to changes in concentration of the ion being measured. The sensors are connected to the electronic section where, after digital conversion, the signal is processed by the microprocessor.
- e) After measurement the sample flows to waste via the contaminated drain connection.
- f) 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 energized.

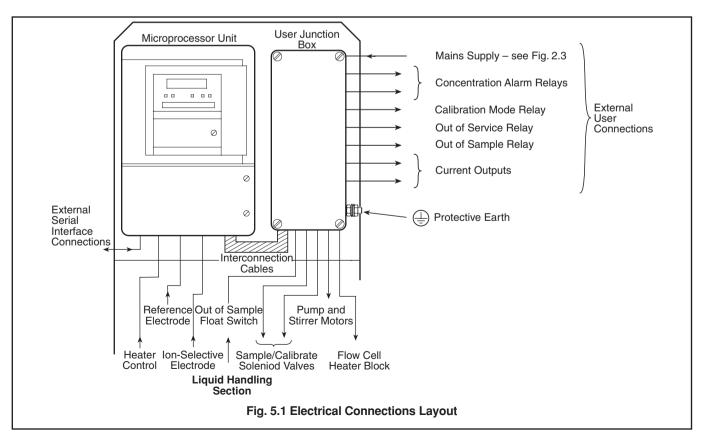
Switches for the mains and pump/heater are situated on the right hand side of the junction box, together with a mains indication lamp and mains fuse – see Fig. 2.3.

Two additional fuses (F2 and F3) are located within the junction box. These are connected in the 24V AC circuits.

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



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### 5.4 Front Panel Controls – Fig. 5.2

The program 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 program page contains the program 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.



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.

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

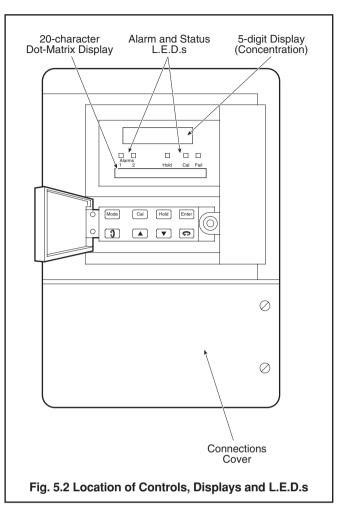


Used for increasing or decreasing a parameter value or stepping up or down through a selection of parameters applicable to a particular function.

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 program pages.



### 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 5 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:



Used to indicate a concentration alarm state (either  $\square$  A1 or A2 high or low). This indicator is used in association with an external alarm relay output.

Used to indicate when the 'Hold' button has been operated. Hold

Indicates when a calibration sequence is taking place. Cal

Indicates when the monitor was unable to carry out a successful calibration. Fail

## 6 PROGRAMMING

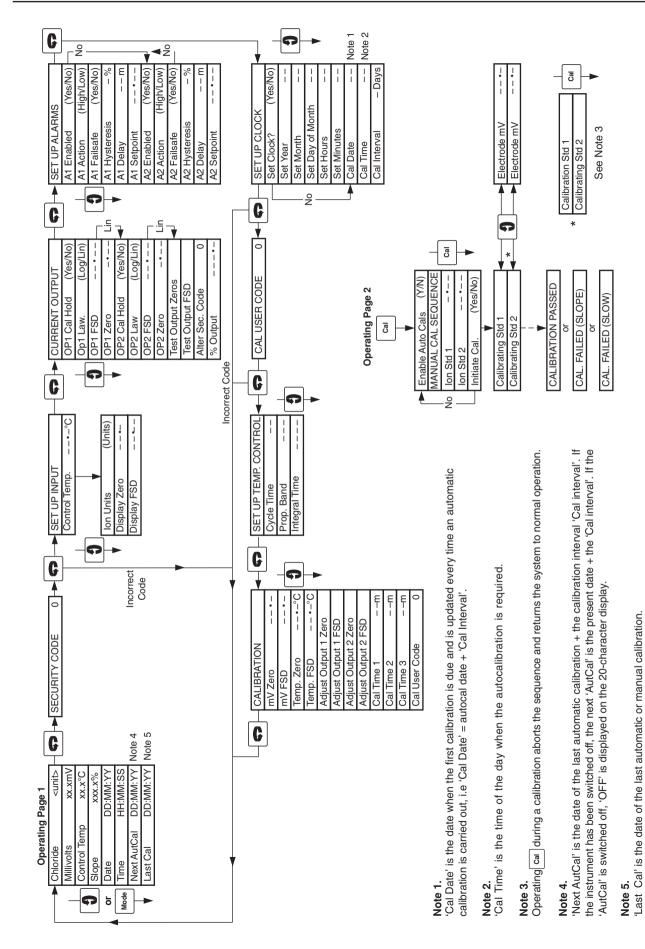


Fig. 6.1 Overall Programme Chart

### 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 Cal 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 Mode or Cal switches.

### 6.2 Programming Pages

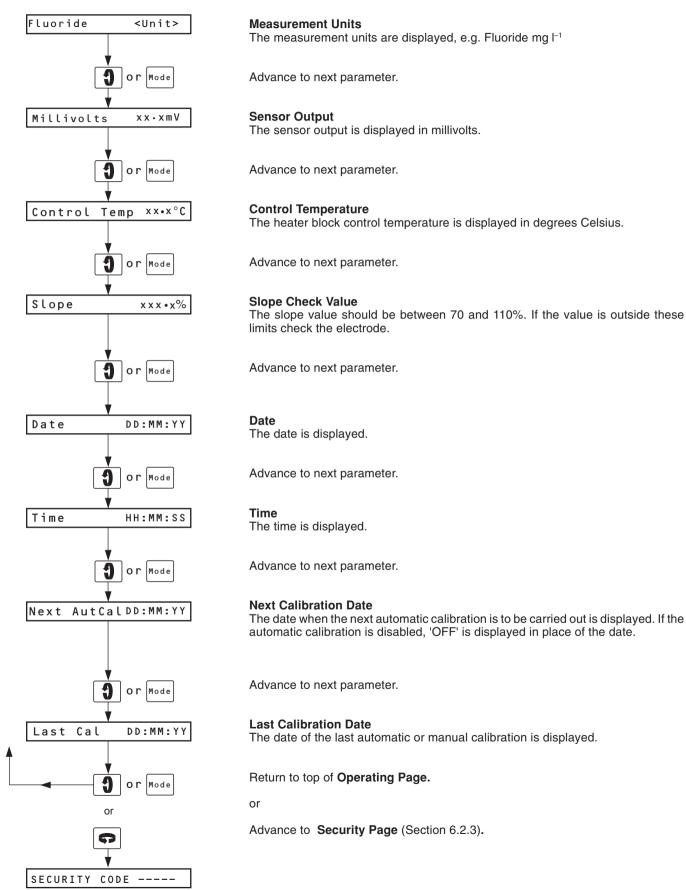
Operation of the switch enables a series of 'programming' pages to be displayed. Unauthorized entries to this page are inhibited by a 5-digit security code which is displayed immediately after the page header.

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 Enter switch. The I.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 Enter 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 Enter

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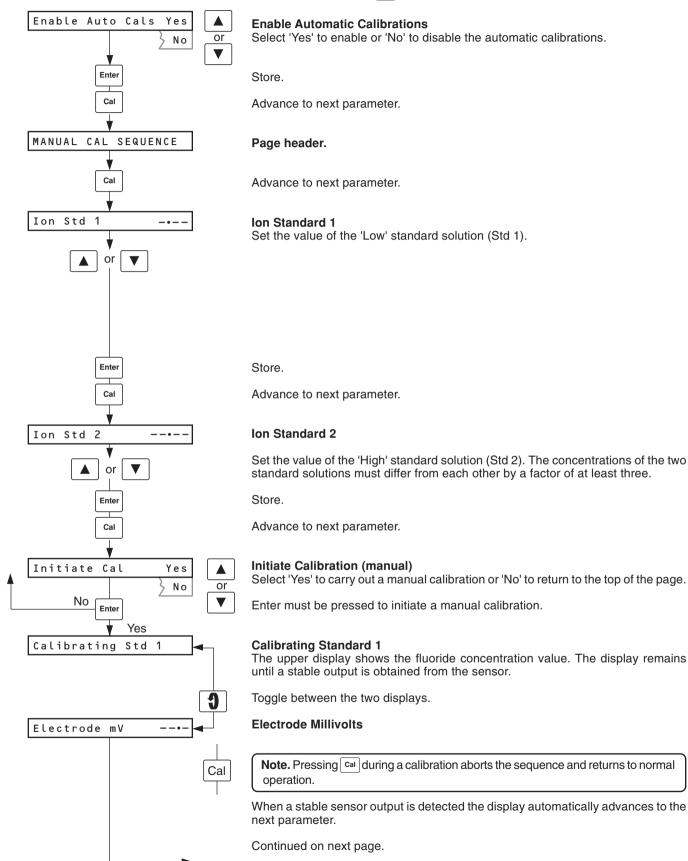
### 6.2.1 Operating Page 1

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



### 6.2.2 Operating Page 2

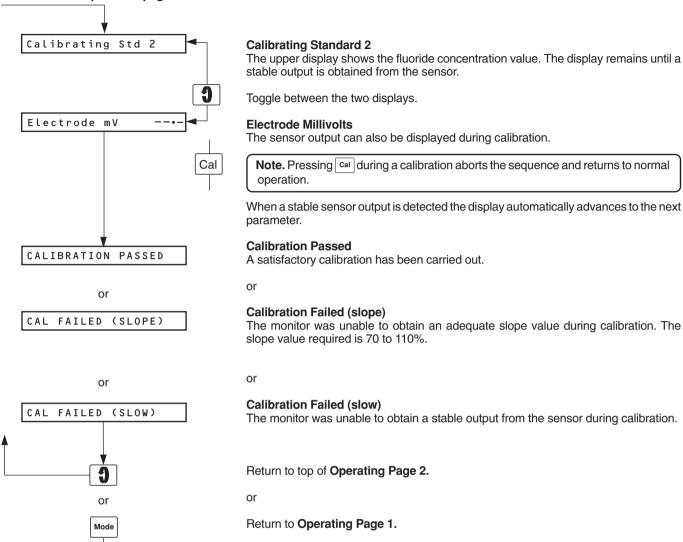
To gain access to the Calibration Page (Operating Page 2), operate the Cal switch.



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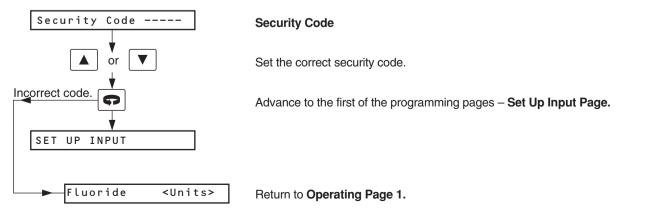


### 6.2.3 Security Code Page

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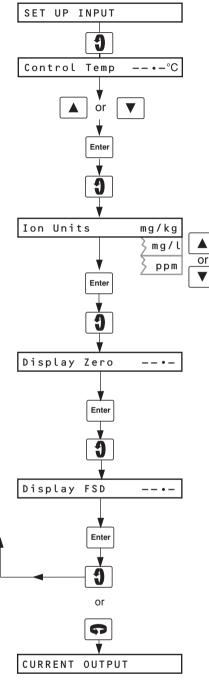
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A security code is required to gain access to all subsequent programming pages. The code is preset at the factory to '0' but can be changed if required in the Current Output Page – see Section 6.2.5.



### 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  $45^\circ\text{C}$  in  $0.1^\circ\text{C}$  increments.

Store.

Advance to next parameter.

Ion Units

Select the required display units for fluoride concentration.

Store.

Advance to next parameter.

### **Display Zero**

Set the required value for display within the range 0.1 to 10.0.

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.

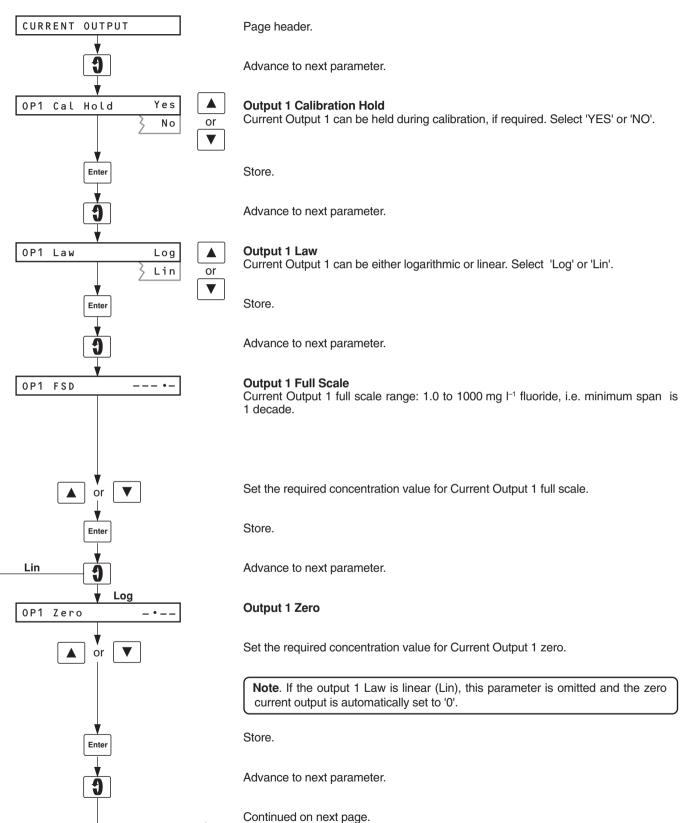
or

Advance to Current Output Page.

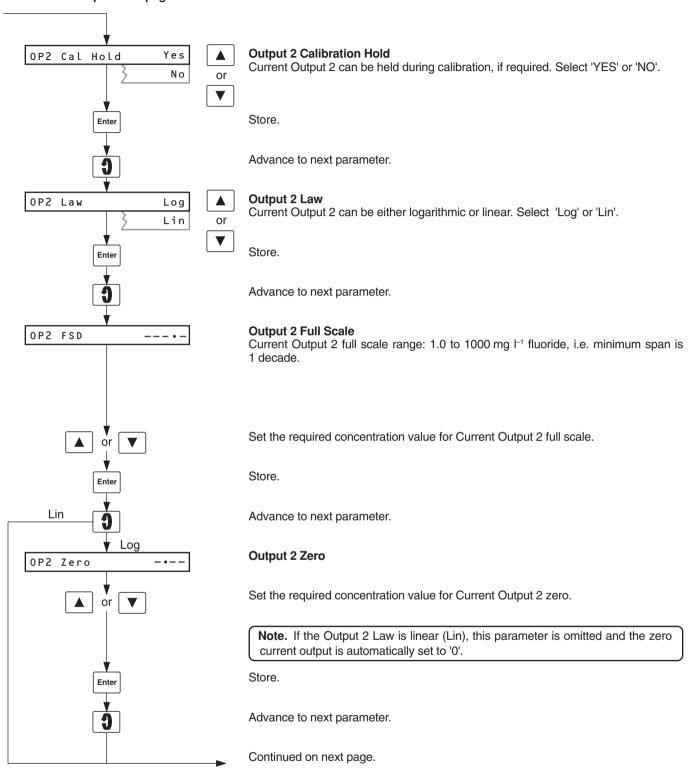
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### 6.2.5 Current Output Page

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

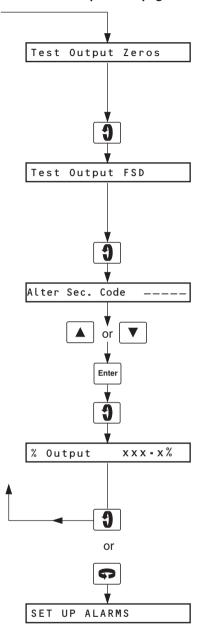


# ...6.2.5 Current Output Page Continued from previous page.



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# ...6.2.5 Current Output Page Continued from previous page.



### **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.

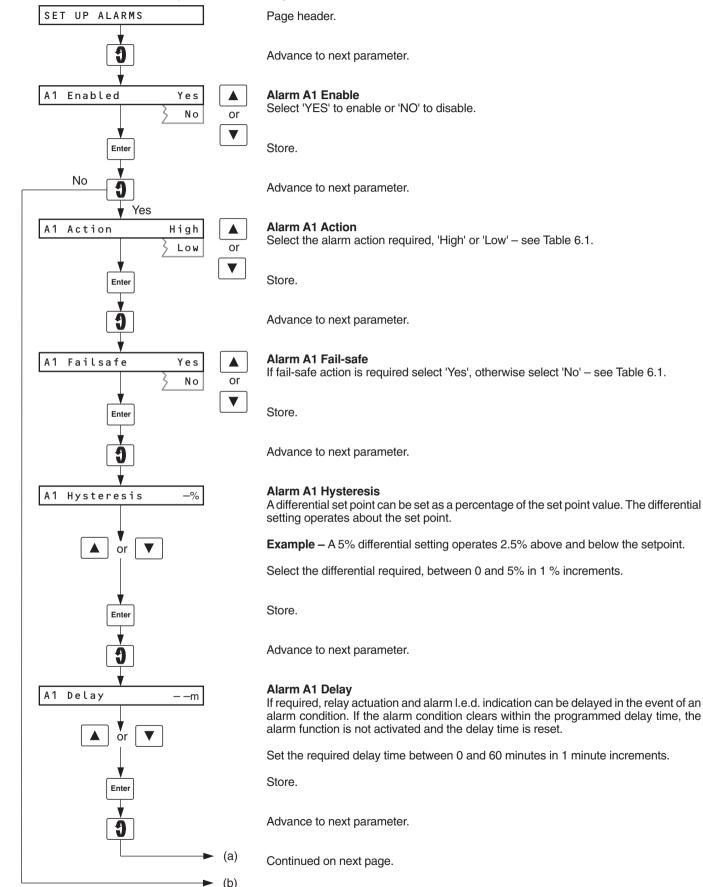
Return to top of Current Output Page.

or

Advance to Set Up Alarms Page.

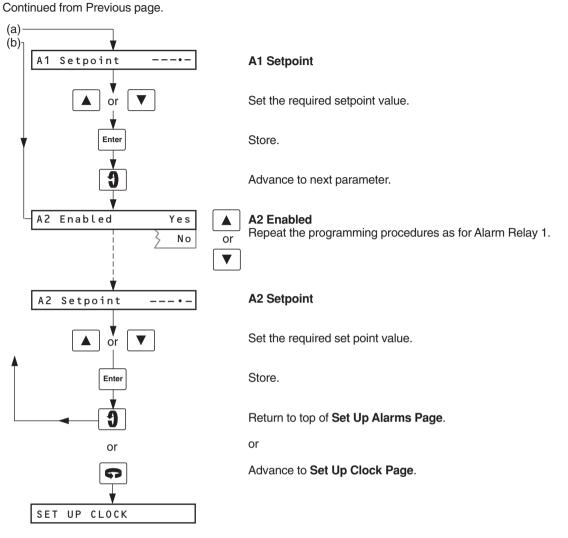
### 6.2.6 Set Up Alarms Page

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



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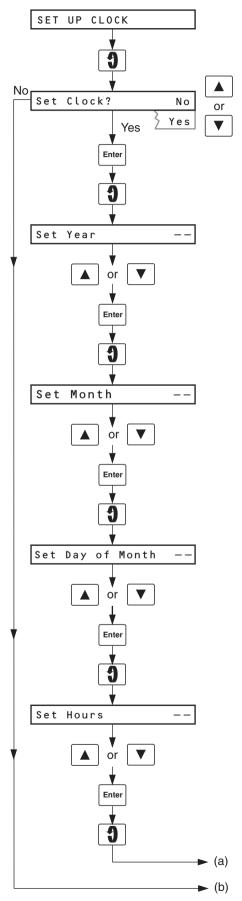
### ...6.2.6 Set Up Alarms Page



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

### 6.2.7 Set Up Clock Page



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).

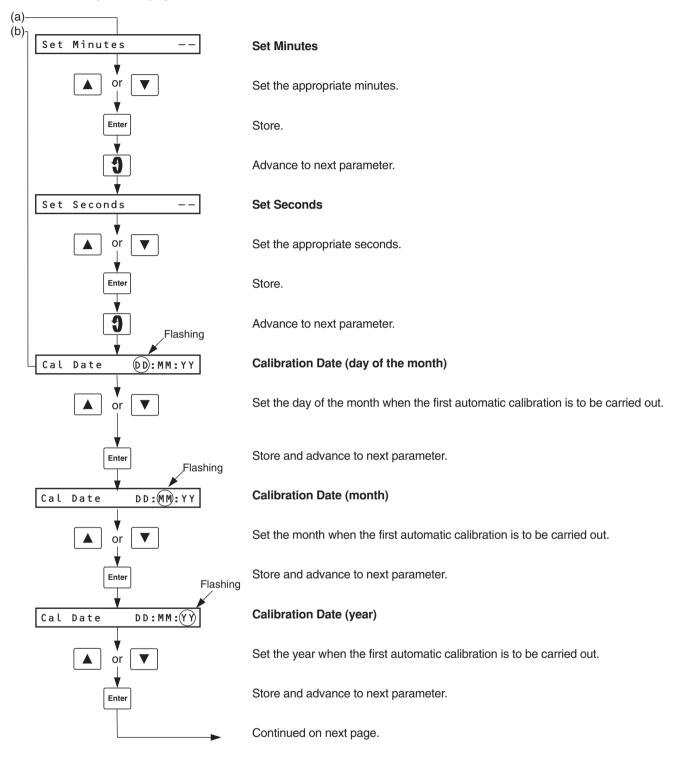
Store.

Advance to next parameter.

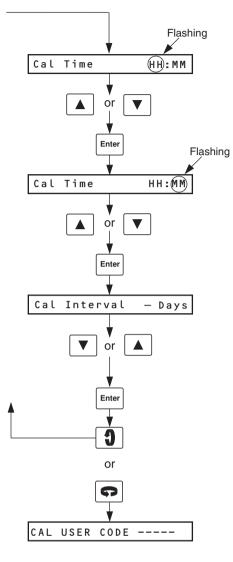
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### Calibration Time (hour - 24 hour clock)

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.

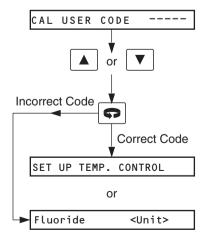
Return to top of Set Up Clock Page.

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.

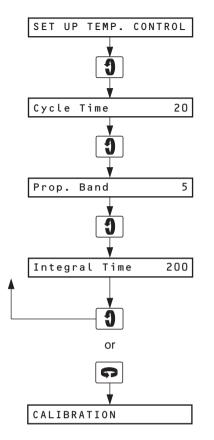
Set Up Temperature Control Page.

or

Return to Operating Page 1.

### 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, calibrate as detailed in the following sections.

**Note.** The calibration procedure involves modifying part of the original program but, **provided that changed values are not stored using the 'Enter' switch**, the original program, 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 program could be lost, it is advisable to make aNote of the normal parameter settings. If the changed program values are inadvertently 'Entered', the instrument can be reprogrammed on completion of the calibration procedure.

### **Equipment Required**

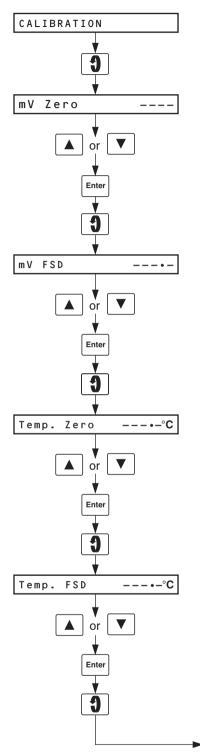
- Millivolt source, range -400 to +400 mV.
- Electrode coaxial plug/lead assembly supplied with monitor;
- Decade resistance box<sup>†</sup>, 0 to 1 kΩ in 0.01 Ω increments.

<sup>†</sup>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

- a) 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) 2 (temperature sensor) decade box
- b) Insert the coaxial plug into the ISE socket above the flowcell and connect the millivolt source (inner +ve, outer -ve).
- c) Connect the milliammeter in place of the appropriate current output connections in the junction box see Section 2.6.
- d) Switch on the supply and allow two minutes (30 minutes from cold) for the circuits to stabilize.
- e) 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 96.09  $\Omega$  (resistive equivalent of  $-10^{\circ}$ 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 142.29  $\Omega$  (resistive equivalent of 110°C).

Set the display to '110°C'.

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

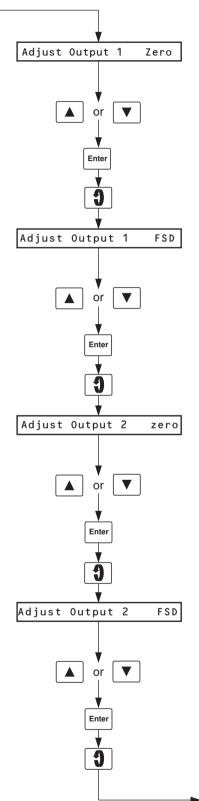
Advance to next parameter.

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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.

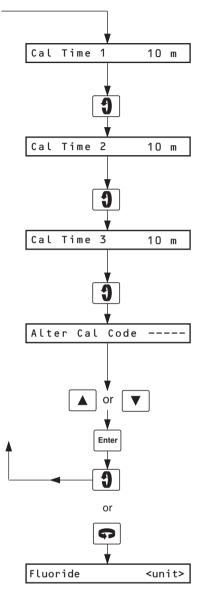
Store.

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, in potable water applications where the fluoride is being controlled at 1 mg l<sup>-1</sup> the instrument range would normally be set to 0.2 to 2.0 mg l<sup>-1</sup>. In this situation the recommended standard solution values would be 0.4 and 1.2 mg l<sup>-1</sup>. On applications such as effluent treatment, the standard solution values could differ by a factor of 10 and bracket the expected range of sample concentration.

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

On initiation of the calibration sequence, either manual or automatic, the 'Cal' I.e.d. is illuminated and the Calibration Mode

relay is energized. 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 energized, 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 sensor outputs corresponding to the two standard solutions are used to calculate a new calibration graph for the monitor, thus compensating for any drift in sensor 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 stabilize 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 Chemical Solutions

In general, the pH of the sample and standard solutions should lie above 5 pH to prevent complexation of fluoride with hydrogen ions and below 7 pH to avoid hydroxide ion interference. Addition of a buffer reagent solution ensures constant ionic strength between samples and standards and adjusts the pH between 5.0 and 6.5.

The reagent and standard solutions described below are required to maintain the monitor in operation. Instructions are given for making up 1 liter quantities of these solutions; 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 liters per month. The monitor uses 50 to 80 ml of each standard solution each calibration cycle; consumption of the standard solutions, also depends on the frequency with which this cycle is carried out.

### 8.1.1 Reagent Solutions

### **Potable Water Applications**

There is a choice of two reagent solutions for use in these applications; one based on hexametaphosphate and one on acetate. The latter provides pH adjustment of the sample such that monitor performance is maintained to a very low fluoride concentration (typically 0.1 mg l<sup>-1</sup>). The hexametaphosphate reagent is inexpensive and simple to prepare, but because it has a slightly higher pH, 0.2 mg l<sup>-1</sup> F<sup>-</sup> is the minimum recommended standardizing concentration. Both solutions will complex iron and aluminium preferentially, releasing fluoride from complexes with these metal ions.

### Reagent 1 -

This is probably the most suitable in the majority of cases. It is simple to prepare and is effective in complexing aluminium and iron when these are present in the sample up to a total concentration of 1 mg  $I^{-1}$  (either singly or in combination).

Dissolve 480 ( $\pm$ 10) g sodium hexametaphosphate flake (Na(PO<sub>3</sub>)<sub>6</sub>), 160 ( $\pm$ 5) g sodium chloride (NaCl) and 40 ( $\pm$ 5) g disodium EDTA (all of laboratory reagent grade) in approximately 8 litres of high purity water, using an efficient stirring system. Make up to 10 litres with more high purity water. The pH should be 6.0  $\pm$ 0.5.

### Note.

- Reagent 1 is suitable for sample waters with total hardness levels up to 300 mg  $\vdash^1$  calcium carbonate (CaCO<sub>3</sub>). For hardness in the range 300 to 600 mg  $\vdash^1$ , the sodium hexametaphosphate concentration should be increased to 56 g  $\vdash^1$ .
- In certain applications air bubbles from sample degassing may collect on the electrode membrane. To remove these bubbles add  $5(\pm 1)$  ml of 10% 'Brij 35' solution to **each liter** of reagent 1. 'Brij 35' (polyoxyethylene lauryl ether, a non-ionic surfactant) is available as a solid or as a 30% solution from Merck Ltd.

### Reagent 2 -

Where an acetate based reagent of the TISAB (Total Ionic Strength Adjustment Buffer) type is preferred, reagent 2 may be used. The reagent has the advantage that it is much less expensive than the usual laboratory TISAB reagent, but shows equal performance in terms of aluminium and iron masking ability. The solution will complex iron or aluminium in the sample at concentrations of up to 1 mg l<sup>-1</sup>, (separately or combined), and the Nernstian performance is maintained to very low fluoride levels.

- a) Dissolve 128 (±2) g sodium hydroxide (Na0H) (analytical reagent grade), 960 (±10) g sodium chloride (NaCl) (analytical reagent grade) and 16 (±2) g trisodium citrate (Na<sub>3</sub>C<sub>6</sub>H<sub>5</sub>0<sub>7</sub>.2H<sub>2</sub>O) (analytical reagent grade) in approximately 8 litres of high purity water.
- b) Carefully add 690 (±2) ml of 5 M acetic acid\* (CH<sub>3</sub>C00H) (analytical reagent grade) to this solution with stirring.

 $^{*5}$  M acetic acid can be prepared from concentrated glacial acetic acid (analytical reagent grade, 1.05 s.g.) by diluting 287 (±2) ml to 1 litre with high purity water.

**Warning.** Carry out this operation under a fume hood and observe appropriate precautions when handling concentrated acids.

- c) Dissolve 48 (±1) g calcium chloride (CaCl<sub>2</sub>.2H<sub>2</sub>O) (analytical reagent grade) separately in approximately 100 ml of high purity water and then add to the bulk solution.
- d) Finally (since the acetate content is a nutrient, encouraging biological growth), add 20 g of microbiocide Myacide Pharma BP (Bronopol)\*\* making the solution up to 10 litres with more high purity water. The solution should have a pH value of 5.5 ±0.2.

\*\*Myacide Pharma BP is available worldwide from BASF Micro Check. If you are unable to locate your local supplier, contact the Company for advice.

**Note.** Reagent 2 should be found suitable for sample waters of total hardness up to 300 mg  $\vdash^1$  CaCO<sub>3</sub>. For total hardness in the range 300 to 600 mg  $\vdash^1$ , the amount of calcium chloride in reagent 2 should be reduced to 2.4 g  $\vdash^1$ .

### **Fluoride Effluent Applications**

To ovecome pH effects in these effluents (see Section 8.1) a concentrated reagent solution is used. Prepare this solution (using laboratory grade chemicals) by following this procedure .

**Warning.** This procedure involves the handling of concentrated chemicals and should be carried out under a fume hood observing appropriate precautions according to the safety information provided by the chemical suppliers.

- a) Dissolve 600 (±5) g sodium hydroxide (NaOH) in approximately 7 litres of high purity water in a plastic container. Allow the solution to cool to room temperature before proceeding.
- b) Carefully add 920 (±5) ml glacial (concentrated 1.05 s.g.) acetic acid (CH<sub>3</sub>COOH) to this solution with stirring. Allow the solution to cool to room temperature before proceeding.
- c) Dissolve 40 ( $\pm$ 1) g di-sodium EDTA in approximately 1 litre of high purity water and add to the solution in b). Mix the solutions thoroughly and make up to 10 litres with high purity water. The pH should be 5.5  $\pm$ 0.3.

### 8.1.2 Standard Solutions

Two standard solutions of known fluoride concentration appropriate to the measuring range are required for calibration of the monitor. These are best prepared by diluting a stock solution (1000 mg  $I^{-1}$ ) with high purity water. (These standard solutions should always be stored in plastic labware for long term stability.)

The procedure is as follows:

- a) Dissolve 2.211 (±0.001) g analytical reagent grade sodium fluoride (NaF) in high purity water, making the solution up to one liter with more high purity water. Store in a polythene bottle.
- b) Dilute the stock solution appropriately with more high purity water to make the two standard solutions for the measuring range of the monitor, and store in plastic bottles.

# 8.1.3 First Aid Treatment for Accidents Involving Soluble Fluoride Salts

The followingNotes outline the first aid procedures to be observed if an accident occurs when handling fluoride salts. The concentrated salts are a toxic hazard and should always be handled with great care. Avoid inhalation of dust from dry crystals or powders and prevent contact with eyes and skin at all times, since the dust is extremely irritating to the eyes, skin and respiratory tract.

### a) Skin Contact

Drench thoroughly with water.

### b) Splashed Eyes

Irrigate eyes thoroughly with water. In severe cases, obtain medical attention.

### c) Inhalation of Dust

Remove from exposure, rest and keep warm. In severe cases, obtain medical attention.

### d) Ingestion (Solutions)

Wash out mouth thoroughly with water and give water to drink. In severe cases, obtain medical attention.

### e) Disposal of Spillages (Solutions)

Wear a face-shield or goggles as protection and rubber gloves. Mop up the spillage with plenty of water and run to waste, diluting greatly with running water.

### 8.1.4 Reference Salt Bridge Solution

The reference electrode contains a salt bridge solution of 3.5 M potassium chloride. Prepare as follows:

- a) Dissolve 26.0 (±0.5) g analytical grade, potassium chloride (KCl), in approximately 90 ml of high purity water.
- b) Dilute the solution to 100 ml with more high purity water.
- c) Store the solution in a tightly stoppered plastic bottle.

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### 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 through sensor flowcell.
- d) Check for excessive build-up of air in the flowcell.
- e) Check liquid levels in the reagent and standard solution containers.
- f) 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 and deterioration.
- b) Examine all tubing and flowcell for signs of accumulation of solid deposits. These tend to accumulate in the reference electrode compartment of flowcells and may be cleaned to drain by squirting high purity water from a 'squeezy' bottle into the de-bubbler vent on top of the flowcell, and the use of small bottle brush.
- c) Clean monitor pipework if there are signs of algae visible.
- d) Check the salt bridge solution in the reference electrode and top-up if necessary.
- e) 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.

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

#### 8.2.3 Twelve Monthly

- a) Service pump, tubing and capstans see Section 8.2.6.
- b) Replace all internal plumbing tubing see Section 8.2.7.
- c) Carry out the normal 4 weekly schedule not already covered above.

### 8.2.4 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. A new kit should be ordered when used so that all the items are available throughout the following year's operation.

The kit contains the following:

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

### 8.2.5 Fitting the Electrodes

The fluoride electrode is supplied with a protective end cap to prevent the crystal, forming its tip, from being scratched or chipped. To prepare for use, remove the end cap and carefully rinse the tip in distilled water.

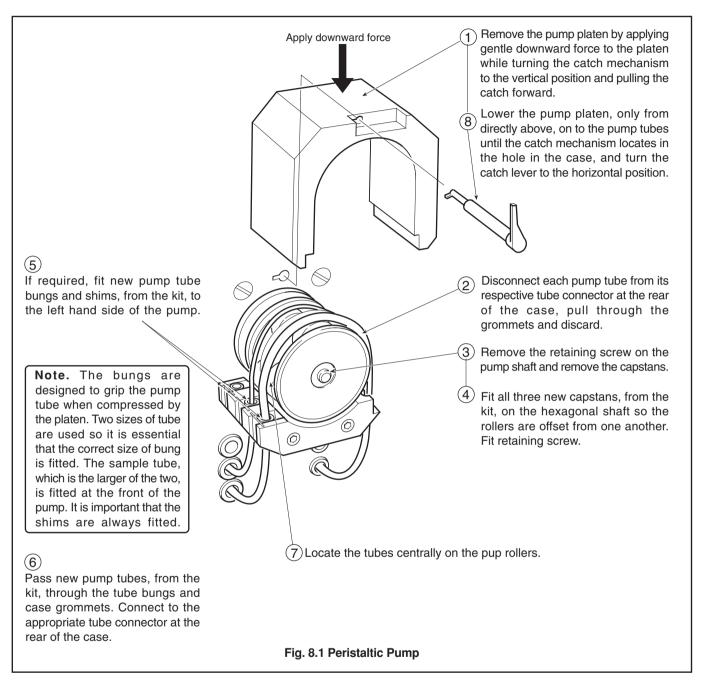
- a) Fit the fluoride electrode into the plastic holder supplied, slide the retaining 'O' ring over the end of the electrode body and insert it into the sloping aperture of the flowcell. Screw down to compress the 'O' ring.
- b) Connect the electrode lead to the coaxial socket above the flowcell on the right hand side.
- c) Remove the teat from the reference electrode and the stopper from the refill aperture. Top up with salt bridge solution if required.
- d) Fit the 'O' ring supplied over the reference electrode body and insert the electrode into the left hand chamber of the flowcell, so that the ceramic plug is between 5 and 10 mm from the bottom.
- e) Connect the electrode lead into the co-axial socket above the flowcell on the left hand side.

Section 8.2.6, opposite.

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### 8.2.6 Peristaltic Pump – Fig. 8.1

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 steps 1 to 8:



### 8.2.7 Replacement of Plumbing Tubing

All necessary items are included in the Consumable Spares Kit.

- a) Remove sensors 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.

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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.

The fluoride electrode can be stored dry or immersed in a dilute fluoride solution.

The reference electrode may be stored in high purity water or salt bridge solution with the electrolyte level above the storage solution level. Ensure that the electrode cannot dry out; failure to observe this results in a blocked ceramic junction, causing considerable delay when restarting the monitor.

If the fluoride electrode is likely to be out of service for more than one day, remove the electrode from the monitor and store it dry with the protective end cap replaced to prevent the crystal being scratched or damaged. The reference electrode is stored with its ceramic junction covered by a protective teat filled with salt bridge solution. Fit the stopper into the salt bridge solution refill aperture.

### 8.3.2 Long Term

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

- a) Switch off the monitor.
- b) Close the sample valve upstream of the monitor.
- c) Remove the electrodes and store see Section 8.3.1.
- 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	Normal when calibration is taking place. 'Std 1' or 'Std 2' refers to the standard solution being admitted at the time.
'CALIBRATION PASSED'	A recent two point calibration has been successfully carried out.
'CAL. FAILED (SLOPE)' Fail L.E.D. flashing	The slope value calculated from the outputs of the sensors 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 sensors.
'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.

### 8.4.2 Monitor Diagnostic Information Out of Service Alarm

This alarm relay output is a normally energized relay which deenergizes in the following circumstances:

- a) Loss of mains supply.
- b) Calibration Failed the calculated electrode slope value is outside the acceptable limits or the response of the electrode is too slow. The 'CAL FAIL' I.e.d. on the front panel is illuminated with the appropriate text on the 20-character display.
- c) 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.
- d) '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.
- e) '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 sensor 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%

- a) Check the reagent solution flows.
- b) Check condition of the reagent solutions.
- c) Check condition of the standard solutions.
- d) See Malfunction of the Electrode Section 8.4.3.

## Slope Value Grossly Abnormal

- a) Check operation of the solenoid valves and flow of the standard solutions.
- b) Check condition of the standard solutions.
- c) Check the reagent solution flows.
- d) Check condition of the reagent solutions.
- e) Check liquid levels in sensors see Malfunction of the Electrode Section 8.4.3.
- f) Check sensor connections in the coaxial plugs and sockets, and inside the microprocessor unit.
- g) See Malfunction of the Electrode Section 8.4.3.

h) Check operation of the Microprocessor Unit by following the procedure in Section 6.2.10, **Electrical Calibration**.

### Noisy, unstable response or slow response

- a) Check for air bubbles trapped on fluoride electrode crystal surface.
- b) Check for surface deposits on fluoride electrode membrane wipe with methanol or lightly polish with fine (e.g. 0.3 micron particle size) aluminium powder, replace if no improvement made.
- c) Check level of salt bridge solution in reference electrode.
- d) Check that the stopper has been removed from the salt bridge solution refill aperture in the reference electrode.
- e) Reference electrode liquid junction partially or completely blocked, replace if required.

**Caution.** A suspected faulty fluoride electrode cannot be disassembled to investigate any problems.

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:

- a) Check sensor connections in the coaxial plugs and sockets, and inside the microprocessor unit.
- b) See Malfunction of the Electrode Section 8.4.3.

## 8.4.3 Malfunction of the Electrode

### Slope value just below 80%

- a) Check for surface deposits on crystal membrane. If dirty, wipe with methanol or lightly polish with fine (e.g. 0.3  $\mu$ m particle size) aluminium powder, replace if no improvement made.
- b) Check performance of fluoride electrode by substitution.

## Slope value grossly abnormal

- a) Check for surface deposits on fluoride electrode membrane wipe with methanol or lightly polish with fine (e.g. 0.3 μm particle size) aluminium powder, replace if no improvement made.
- b) Check performance of fluoride electrode by substitution.
- c) Check level of salt bridge solution in reference electrode.
- check that the silicone rubber sleeve has been moved away from the salt bridge solution refill aparture in the reference electrode.
- e) Reference electrode liquid junction partially or completely blocked, replace if required.

## ...8 MAINTENANCE

### Air bubble build-up in the flowcell

Air bubble build-up in the flowcell around the fluoride electrode sensing tip and the temperature sensor causes considerable noise on the monitor output. This normally occurs when an aerated and often very cold sample, is presented to the monitor where it is heated before entering the flowcell. Heating the sample will cause dissolved air to come out of the solution to form air bubbles. Water at 35°C can only support 50% of the air that can be dissolved in water at around 0°C

The build-up of air masks the sensing surface of the fluoride electrode and eventually causes an open circuit between the electrodes. Air will also collect around the temperature sensor, again potentially causing an open circuit.

If this problem occurs, proceed as follows:

### a) Reduce the block temperature.

The flowcell temperature is controlled to remove the effects of temperature on the measurement. On leaving the factory, control is set to  $35^{\circ}$ C, which is appropriate for most installations where the ambient temperature ranges to  $30^{\circ}$ C. If the ambient temperature is low, while ensuring that a +5°C temperature differential is maintained between the flowcell temperature setting and ambient, reduce the flowcell temperature as low as possible.

Change the flowcell temperature setting with seasonal variations if necessary.

b) Check bubble venting

Ensure that the temperature sensor is not positioned too low. Raise the temperature sensor by 10 mm to allow any bubbles to escape into the sensor chamber and up through the flowcell.

### 8.5 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  $\pm 400$  mV. This may be due to any of the following:

- a) Loss of solution flow through the flowcell breaking the electrical connection between the electrode pair.
- b) Low level of salt bridge solution in the reference electrode.
- c) Open circuit electrode internally, e.g. broken connection, blocked liquid junction in reference electrode etc.
- d) Broken electrical connections between the sensor and the Microprocessor Unit sensor input.
- e) 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

Any two consecutive decades of concentration Fluoride between 0.1 and 1000mgl-1

### Repeatability ±2% of reading

Reproducibility

±3% of reading

### **Response time**

Less than 5 minutes for 90% step change

# Millivolt range

-400mV to +400mV

#### Millivolt resolution ±0.1mV

Control temperature range 30 to 45°C (86 to 113°F)

### **Temperature resolution**

±0.1°C (±0.2°F)

### Displays

Concentration	5-digit blue fluorescent
Information	20-character dot matrix blue fluorescent

### Status indication

Two flashing LED's in alarm state Single LED lit when 'HOLD' switch operated

Single LED lit when calibration is in progress Single LED 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 20mA selectable via plug-in links Optional 2<sup>nd</sup> current output Maximum voltage load 15V

### Current output span

Any 1 to 2 decades of display range, logarithmic or linear

### **Computer interface**

Modbus via RS433/RS423 serial interface

### Alarms

Two high or low concentration alarms

Remote calibration mode indication

Remote monitor 'Out of Service' indication,

includes: Loss of Mains Supply

Loss of Sample

Calibration Failed

Electronic Failure

All voltage-free 250V 5A non-inductive changeover relay contacts

### **Concentration alarm adjustment**

Programmable over assigned range

### **Concentration alarm differential**

Programmable 0 to 5%

### Concentration alarm delay

Programmable 0 to 60 minutes

## Calibration

Fully automatic two-point, plus manual initiation on demand

### **Routine maintenance**

Four-weekly: Twelve-monthly:

replenish reagents, clean flow system replace plumbing, pump tubing and pump capstans

### Power supply

110 to 120V or 220 to 240V 50/60Hz 100VA

## Power supply tolerance

+6% to -10%

### Isolation voltage

Input, output and power supply 1.5kV

### Weight

Approximately	35kg (77lb)
pproximatory	00119 (1110)

### Dimensions

Height	893mm (35.2 in.)
Width	541mm (21.3 in.)
Depth	207mm (8.2 in.)

#### **Degree of protection** IP65

Electronics section Liquid handling

Case IP31 Critical internal components IP65

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# 10 SPARES LIST

### **Consumable Spares**

Part No.	Description	Qty
8230 020	Consumable spares kit comprising pump tubes, pump capstans, plumbing	1
	tubing, tube connectors and 'O' rings etc.	1

### **Refurbishment Spares**

Part No.	Description	Qty
8001 150	Fluoride electrode	1
1436 830	Reference electrode – silver-silver chloride	1
8231 242	Electrode retaining sleeve	1
8231 235	Sample heater coil	1
8236 260	Reagent solution container assembly	1
8230 221	Standard solution container assembly – 'High'	1
8230 220	Standard solution container assembly – 'Low'	1
8063 710	Container tube sinker	3
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
8231 240	Flowcell stirrer magnet	1
8230 240	Temperature sensor assembly	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 µF capacitor (4 r.p.m. @ 50 Hz)*	1
0232 033	Stirrer motor	1
8035 870	Pump motor coupling assembly	1
0216 244	Heater assembly	1
0234 712	Heater thermal cut-out	1
8231 239	Flowcell assembly	1
0232 325	Mains transformer – User Junction Box	1
0234 726	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	2
0239 118	Electrode coaxial socket	2
4500 0845	Processor Board (without EPROM)	1

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

## ...Strategic Spares

Specify	EPROM	below	as	require	ed
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N.B. EPROM's require a special PLCC extraction too	J

Part No.	Description	Qty
8231 170	EPROM (English)	1
8231 171	EPROM (German)	1
8231 175	EPROM Serial Comm (English)	1
8231 176	EPROM Serial Comm (German)	1

4500 0817	Power supply board assembly	1
4500 0140	Display board pack assembly	1
4500 0255	Current O/P board	1
8230 055	mV input board	1
4500 0265	Temp. input board	1
4500 0625	Output module	1
4500 0285	Power supply board	1
4500 0275	5-digit 7-segment display board	1
4500 0443	5-digit display flexi-circuit	1
4500 0603	Display flexi-circuit	1
4500 0395	Membrane switch	1
4500 0855	Serial Modbus PCB assembly	1

4500 0715	Power supply board assembly (Fitted to pre CE marked monitors only)	1
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## Fuses (Junction Box)

Part No.	Description	Qty.
0231 558	F1 – 1A 20 x 5mm Anti-surge 250V AC	1
B10208	F2 – 5A 20 x 5mm Quick Blow 250V AC	1
0231 596	F3 – 0.5A 20 x 5mm Anti-surge 250V AC	1

## Fuse (Transmitter Power Supply Board 4500/0817

Description	Qty.
F1 – Not a site-serviceable fuse, contact the company	1

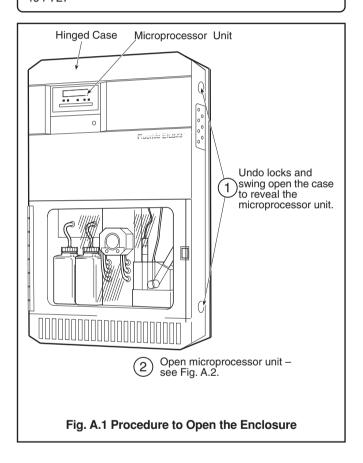
# **APPENDIX A – REPLACING SOFTWARE EPROM**

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

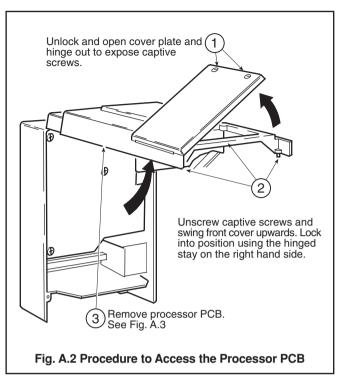
## A.1 Access the Transmitter Unit – Fig. A.1

**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



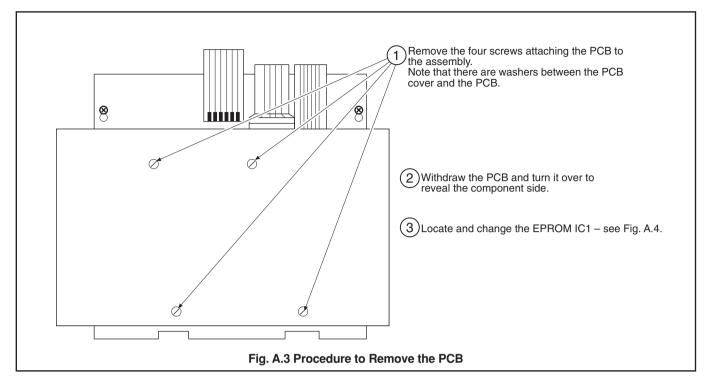
## A.2 Access the PCB – Fig. A.2



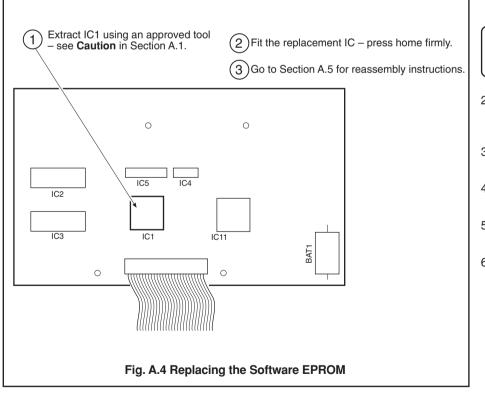
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# **APPENDIX A**

## 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.

- Close the microprocessor section using the reverse procedure in Fig. A.2.
- 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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