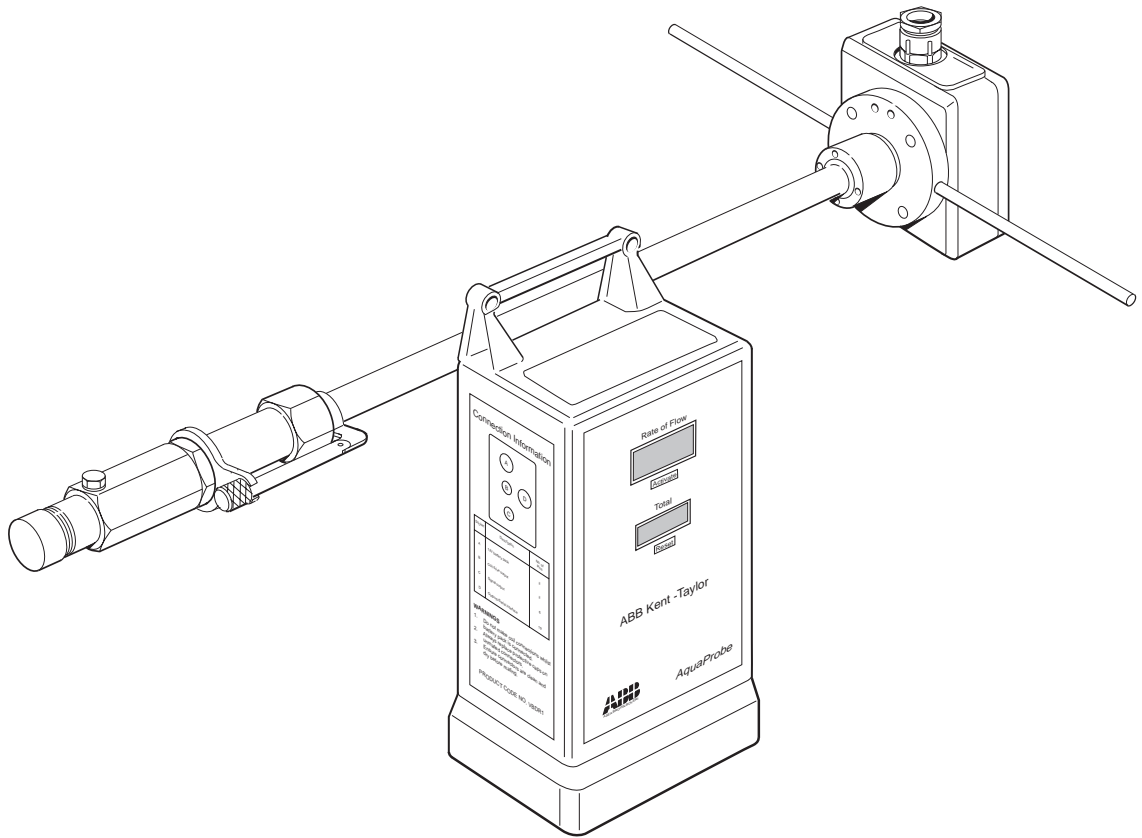


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Electromagnetic Flowmeters

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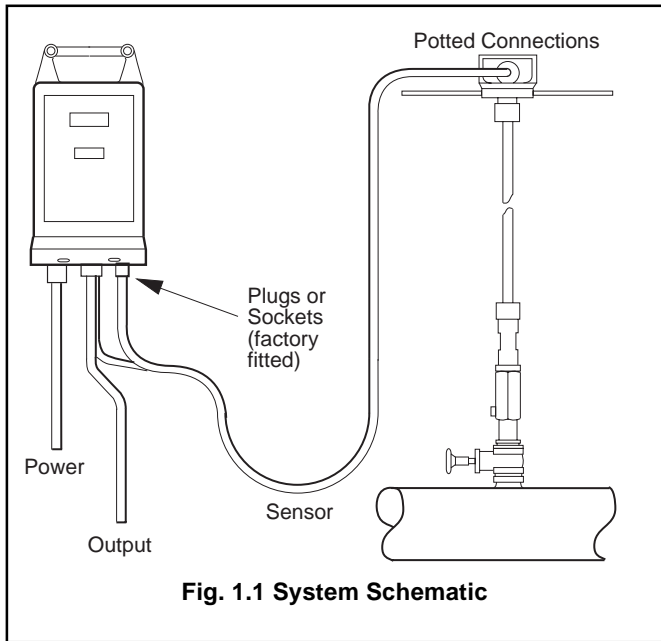
# 1 INTRODUCTION

The AquaProbe electromagnetic insertion flowmeter is designed for measurement of the velocity of water.

The flowmeter, available in four standard lengths, can be installed in any pipeline of internal diameter from 200mm (8in) to 8000mm (360in), through a small tapping.

The AquaProbe has been designed for use in survey applications such as leakage monitoring and network analysis and in permanent locations where cost or space limitations preclude the use of conventional closed pipe meters.

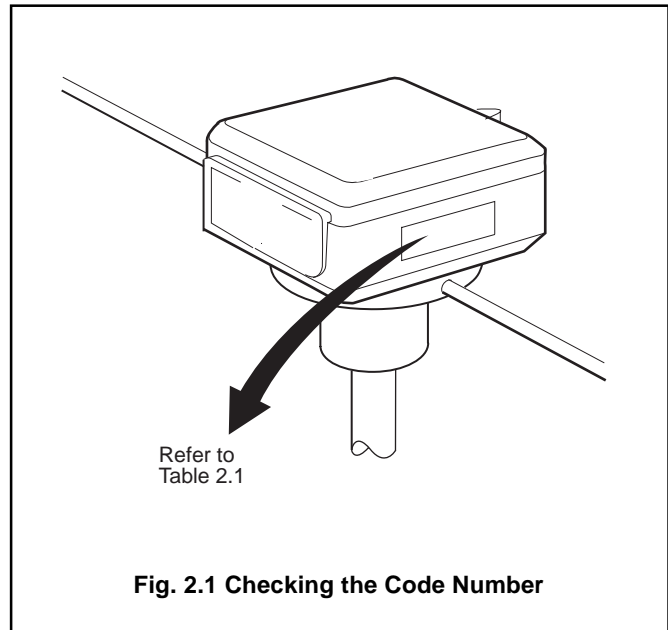
## 1.1 System Schematic – Fig. 1.1



**Fig. 1.1 System Schematic**

# 2 PREPARATION

## 2.1 Checking the Code Number – Fig. 2.1



**Fig. 2.1 Checking the Code Number**

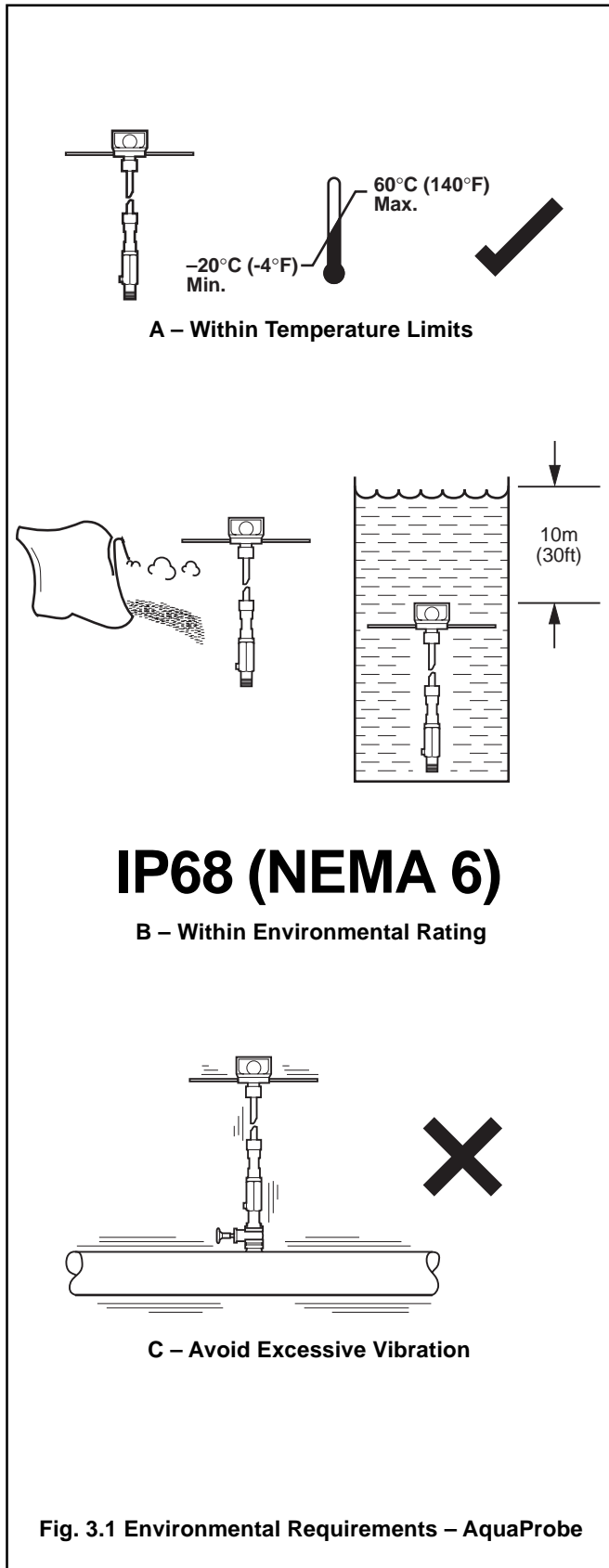
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		MF/A	XXX	X	1	0	1	0	X	XX	0	AA	X	3	0	0	1	0
<b>AquaProbe</b>																		
<b>Length</b>	No probe		000															
	300mm (12in)		301															
	500mm (20in)		501															
	700mm (27in)		701															
	1000mm (39in)		102															
<b>Sliding Joint Connection</b>	Not required			0														
	1.0in BSP, with 1/8 in BSP pressure tapping			1														
	1.5in BSP, with 1/8 in BSP pressure tapping			2														
	1.0in NPT, with 1/8 in NPT pressure tapping			3														
<b>Calibration</b>	Un-calibrated									0								
	Standard 3 point									1								
	8 point									2								
	Witnessed 8 point									4								
<b>Cabling</b>	Not fitted or potted									00								
	3m									03								
	10m									10								
	30m									30								
<b>Power Supply</b>	Battery pack																	4
	Power supply cable																	6

**Table 2.1 Code Number Identification**

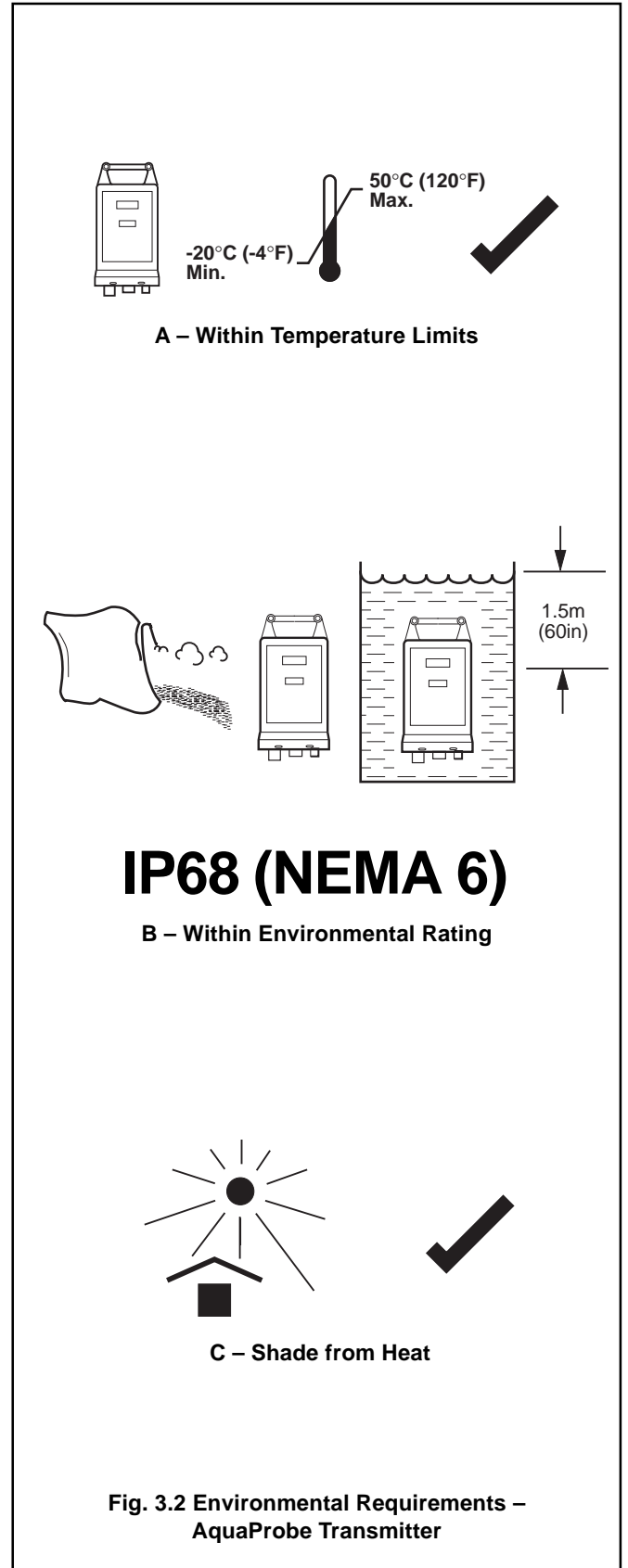
### 3 MECHANICAL INSTALLATION

#### 3.1 Location – Environmental Conditions

##### 3.1.1 AquaProbe – Fig. 3.1



##### 3.1.2 Transmitter – Fig. 3.2



### ...3 MECHANICAL INSTALLATION

#### 3.2 Location – Flow Conditions

The probe may be installed in one of two positions in the pipe; either on the centre line or at the mean axial velocity point ( $\frac{1}{8}$  pipe diameter). It may also be traversed across the pipe to determine the velocity profile.

**3.2.1 International Standard for Flow Measurement**  
ISO 7145 '(BS 1042) Measurement of fluid flow in closed conduits' Part 2 'Velocity area methods' describes methods of calculating volumetric flow from velocity measurements.

Section 2.2: 1982 'Method of measurement of velocity at one point of a conduit of circular cross section' describes the inference of volumetric flow from measurement of velocity at a single point. Several conditions must be fulfilled to validate the method, which uses calculations based on empirical data.

Where the validating conditions can be met, the method described in Section 2.2 is the most practical. It is possible to measure the velocity either on the centre line, which reduces sensitivity to positional errors, or at the assumed point of mean flow velocity.

Type of disturbance upstream from the measuring cross-section	Minimum upstream straight length*	
	For a measurement at the point of mean axial velocity	For a measurement on the axis of the conduit
90° elbow or a t-bend	50	25
Several 90° coplanar bends	50	25
Several 90° non-coplanar bends	80	50
Total angle convergent 18 to 36°	30	10
Total angle divergent 14 to 28°	55	25
Fully opened butterfly valve	45	25
Fully opened plug valve	30	15

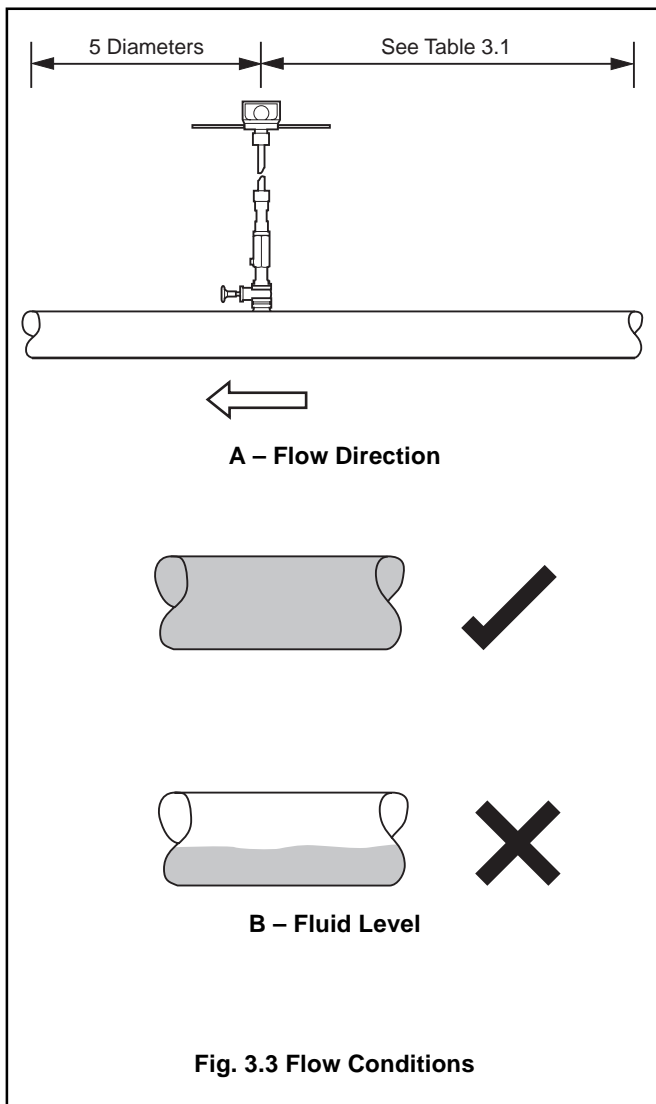
\* Expressed in multiples of the diameter of the conduit.

Downstream from the measurement cross-section, the straight length shall be at least equal to five duct diameters whatever the type of disturbance.

**Table 3.1 Straight Pipe Lengths**

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**i Information.** Where the above ideal conditions cannot be achieved, the flow profile must be tested for symmetry in order to obtain reliable flow results.



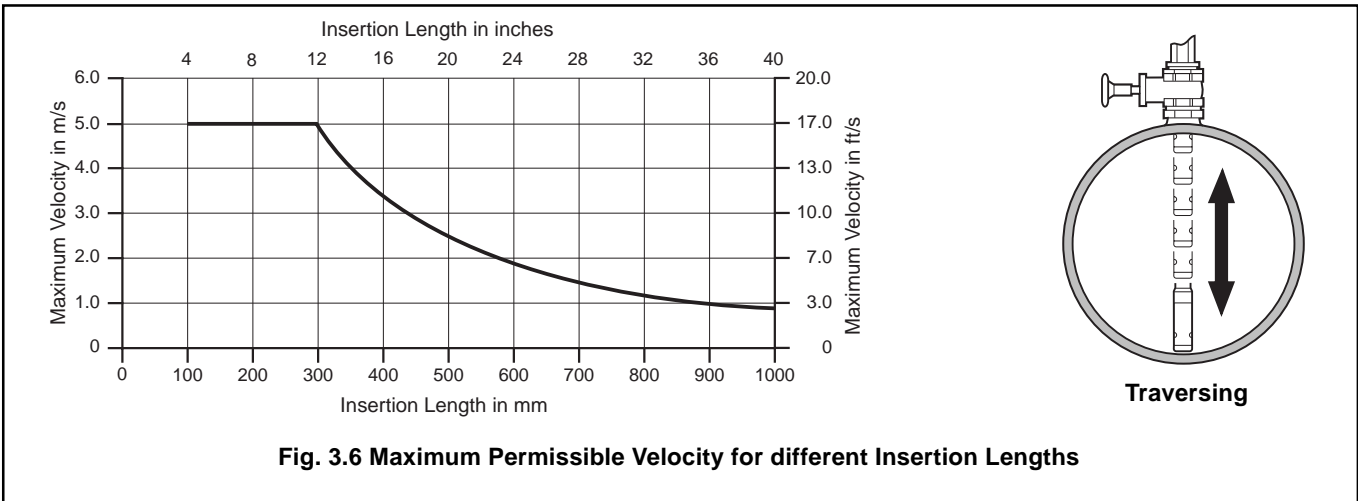
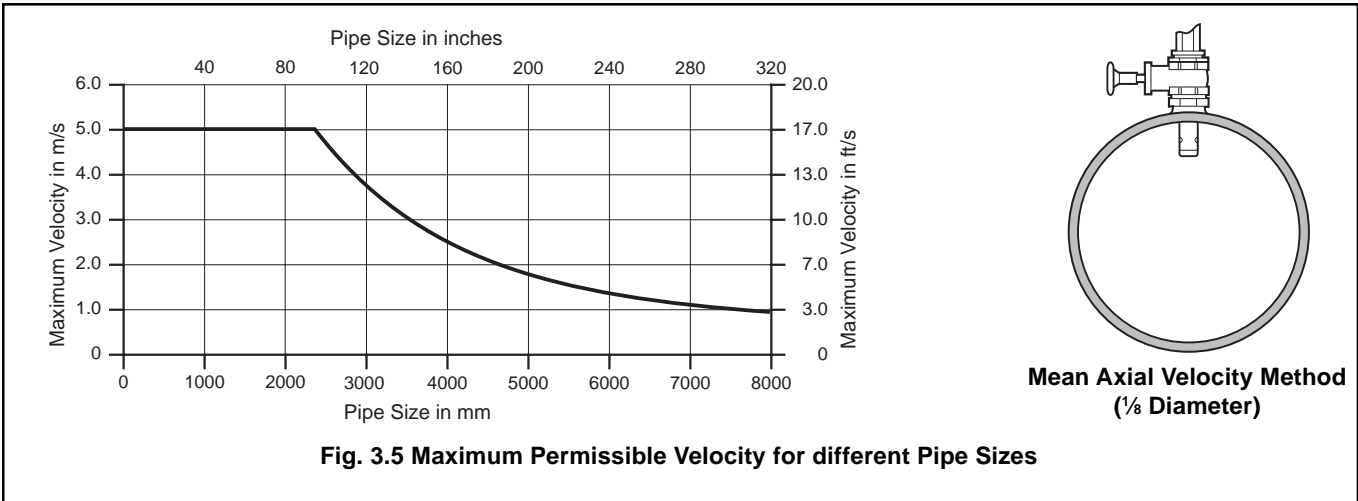
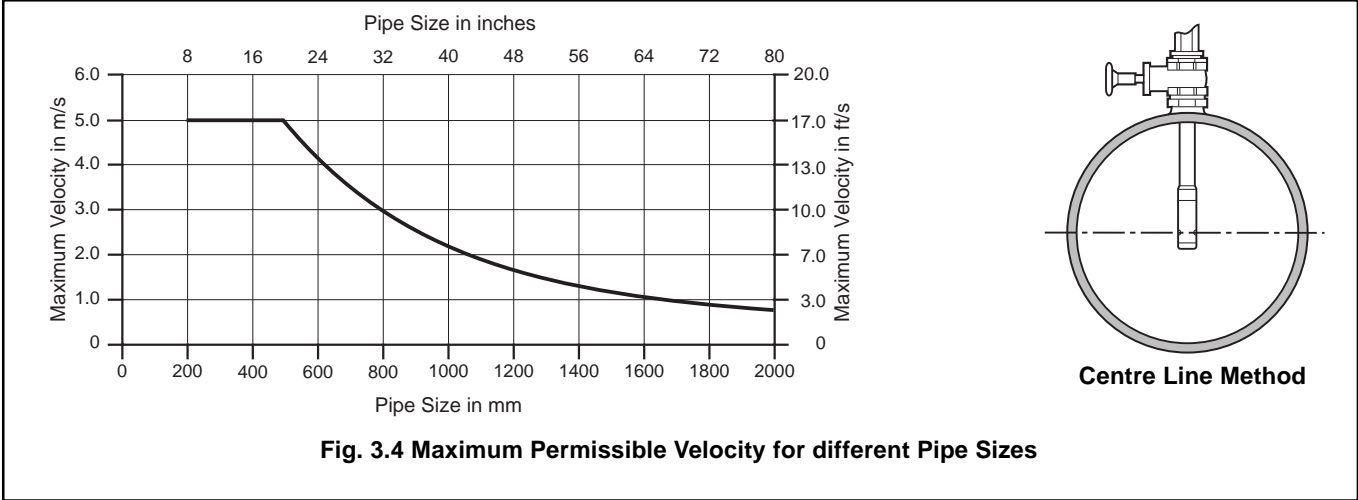
**Fig. 3.3 Flow Conditions**

### 3 MECHANICAL INSTALLATION

#### 3.2.2 Velocity Limitations – Figs. 3.4 to 3.6

All insertion probe devices are susceptible to the vortex shedding effect which can cause severe vibration of the probe, resulting in damage and/or measurement instability. Electromagnetic devices with no moving parts, such as AquaProbe, are less susceptible to this effect than mechanical devices.

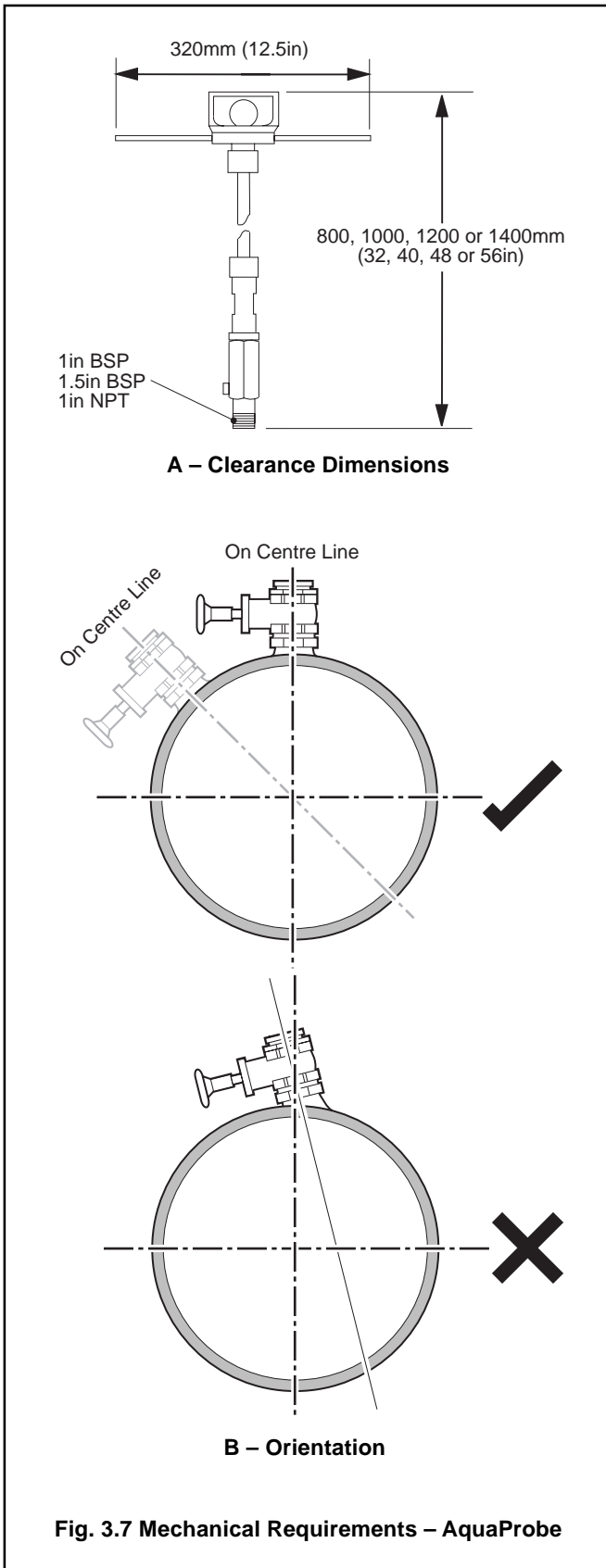
The graphs below show the maximum permissible velocities, depending on the probe's location.



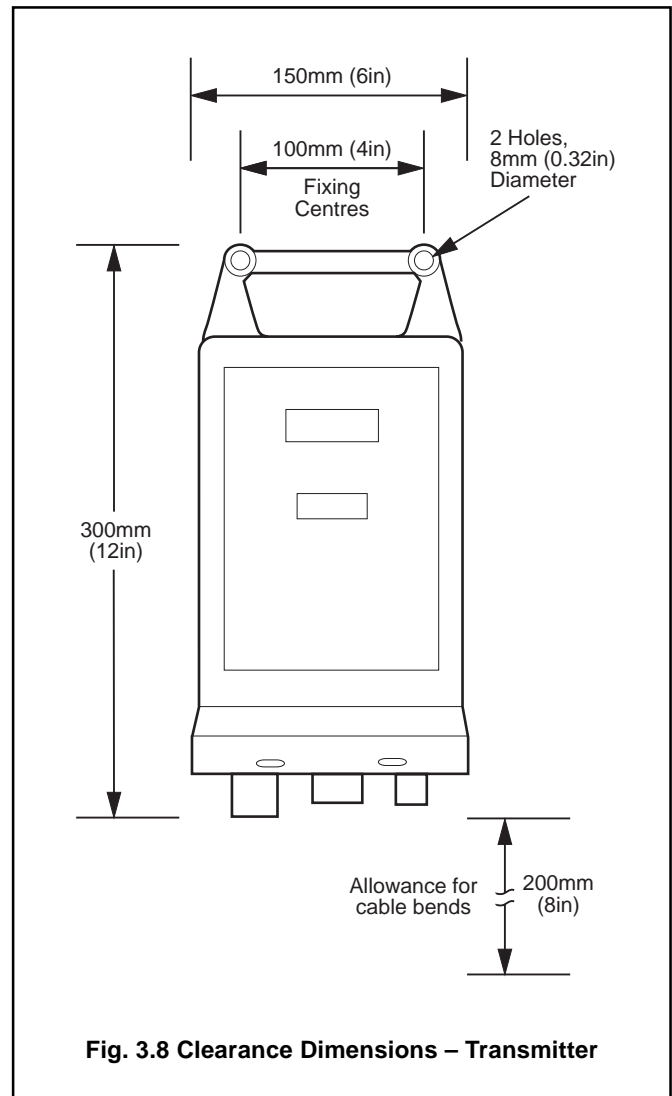
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#### 3.3 Location – Mechanical

##### 3.3.1 AquaProbe – Fig. 3.7



##### 3.3.2 Transmitter – Fig. 3.8



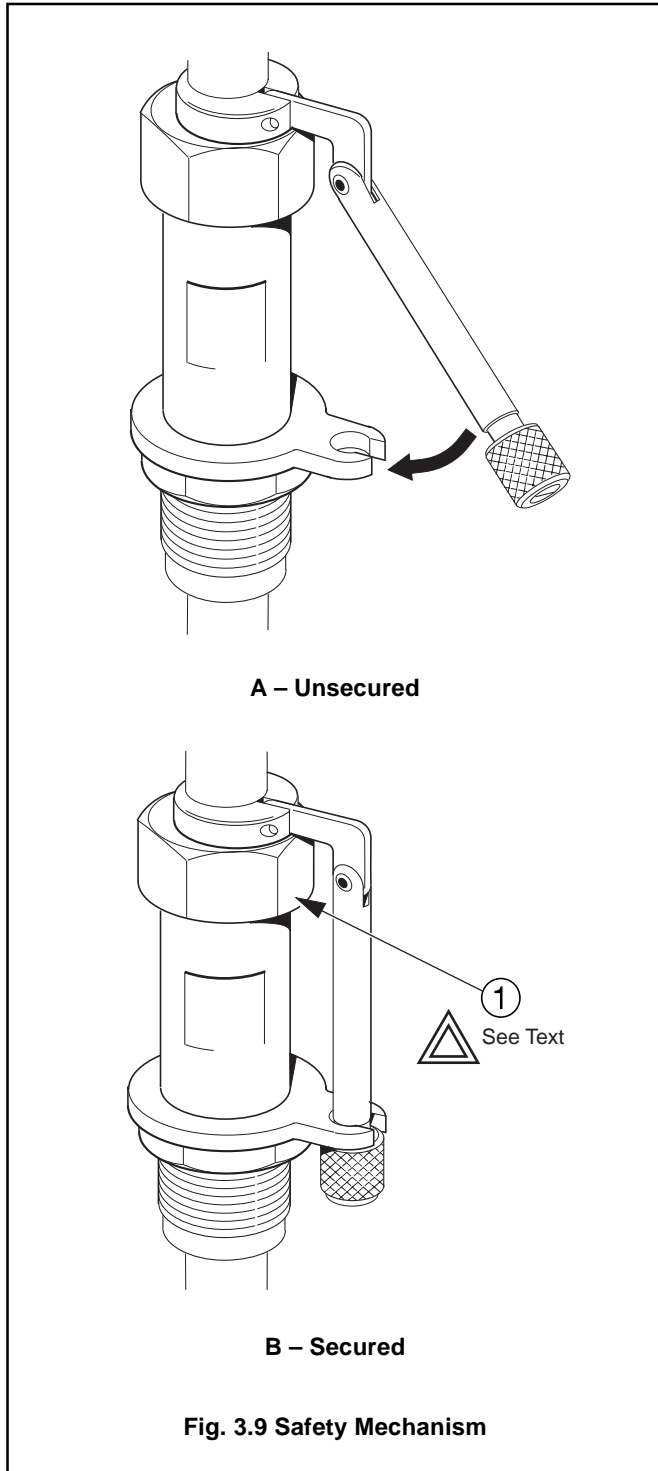


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#### 3.4 Safety – Fig. 3.9

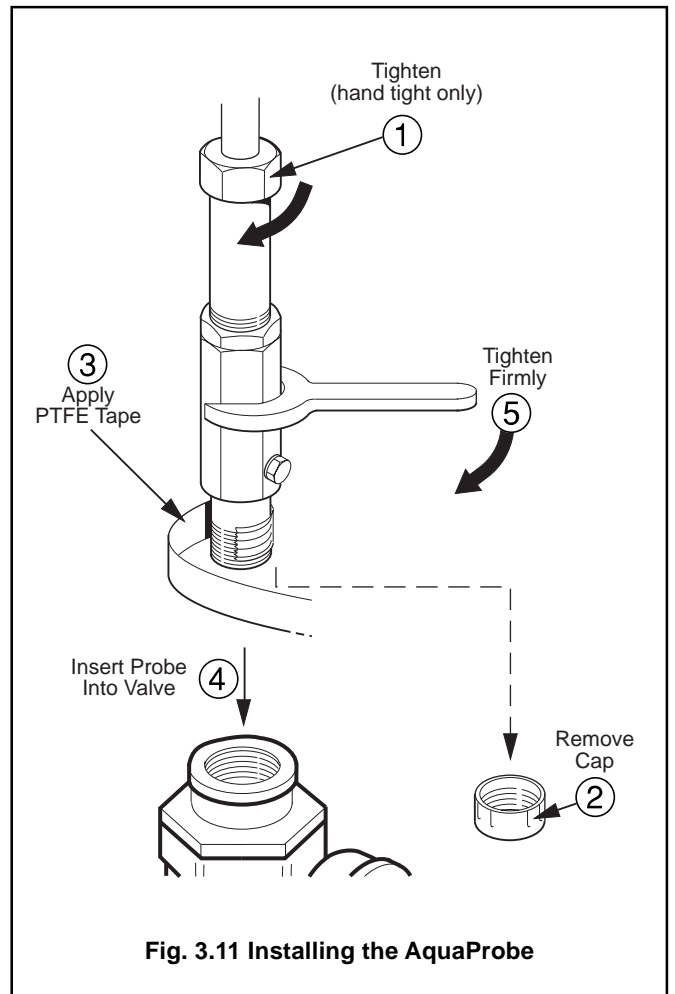
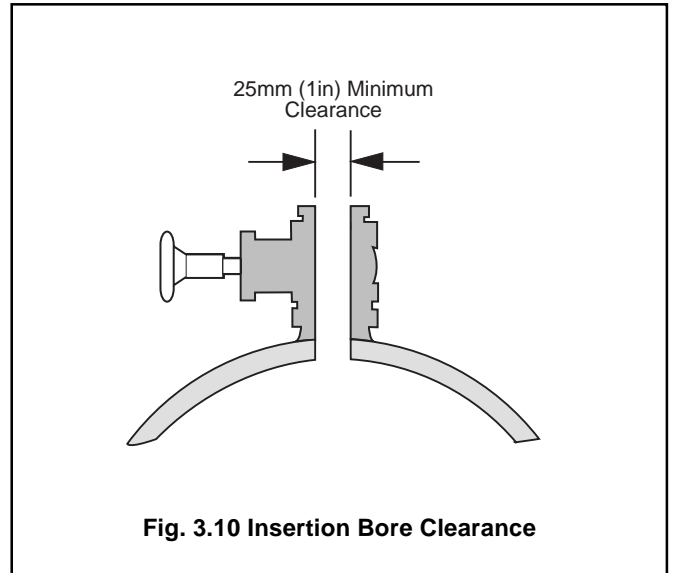
**Warning.** The Aquaprobe is provided with a safety mechanism (see Fig. 3.9) which should be attached to its securing collar as shown in Fig. 3.9B. This prevents rapid outward movement by the probe if the nut 1 is released.

**Note.** To ensure maximum safety, the positioning collar **MUST** be tightened in place using a 4mm hexagon key.



#### 3.5 Installing the AquaProbe – Figs. 3.10 and 3.11

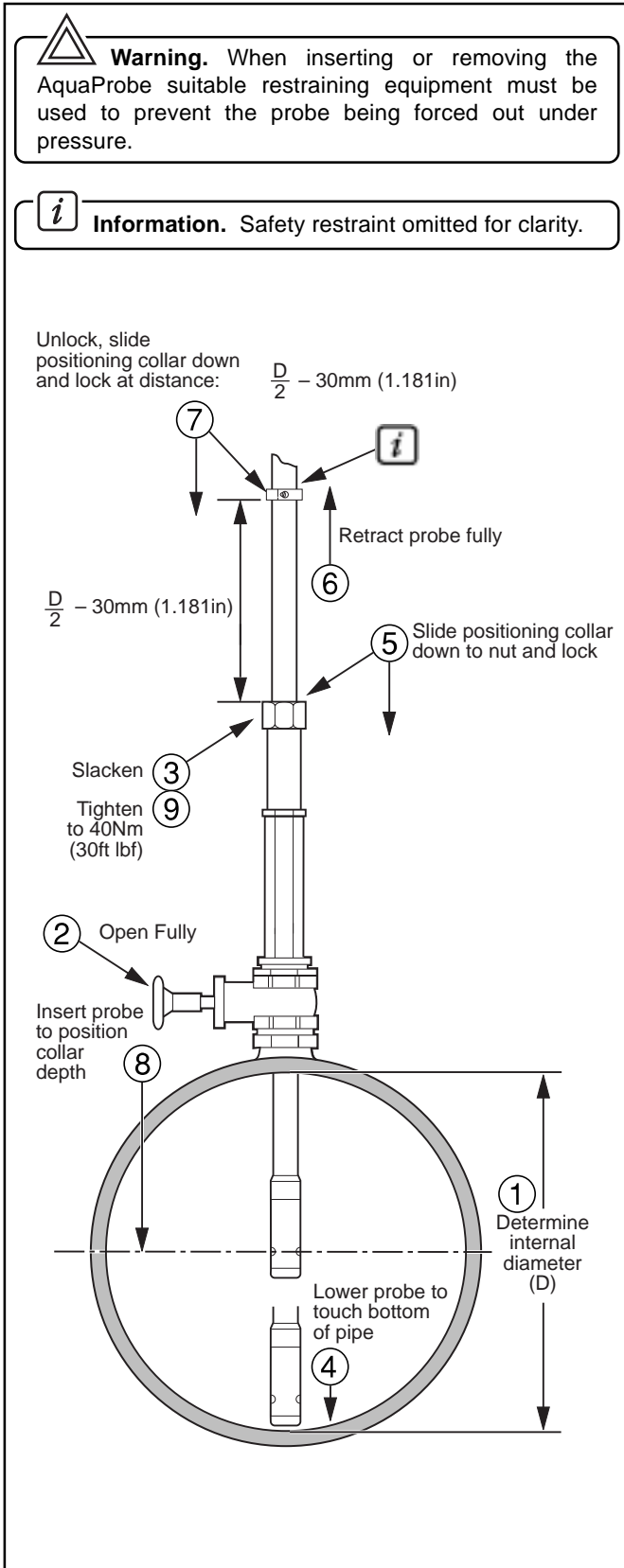
**Warning.** When inserting or removing the AquaProbe suitable restraining equipment must be used to prevent the probe being forced out under pressure.



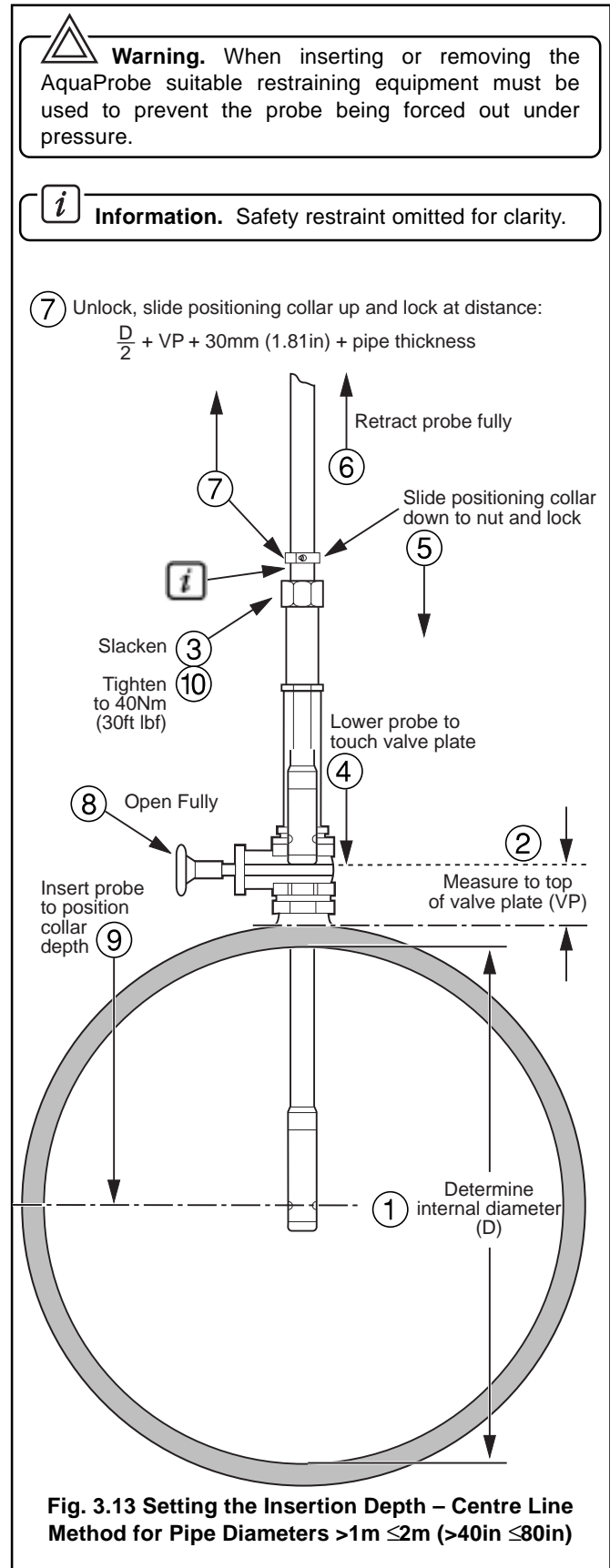
### ...3 MECHANICAL INSTALLATION

#### 3.6 Setting the Insertion Depth

##### 3.6.1 Centre Line Method for Pipe Diameters $\leq 1\text{m}$ ( $\leq 40\text{in}$ ) – Fig. 3.12



##### 3.6.2 Centre Line Method for Pipe Diameters $> 1\text{m}$ ( $> 40\text{in}$ ) – Fig. 3.13



**Fig. 3.13 Setting the Insertion Depth – Centre Line Method for Pipe Diameters  $> 1\text{m}$  ( $> 40\text{in}$ )**

3.6.3 Mean Axial Velocity Method – Fig. 3.14

**Warning.** When inserting or removing the AquaProbe suitable restraining equipment must be used to prevent the probe being forced out under pressure.

**Information.** Safety restraint omitted for clarity.

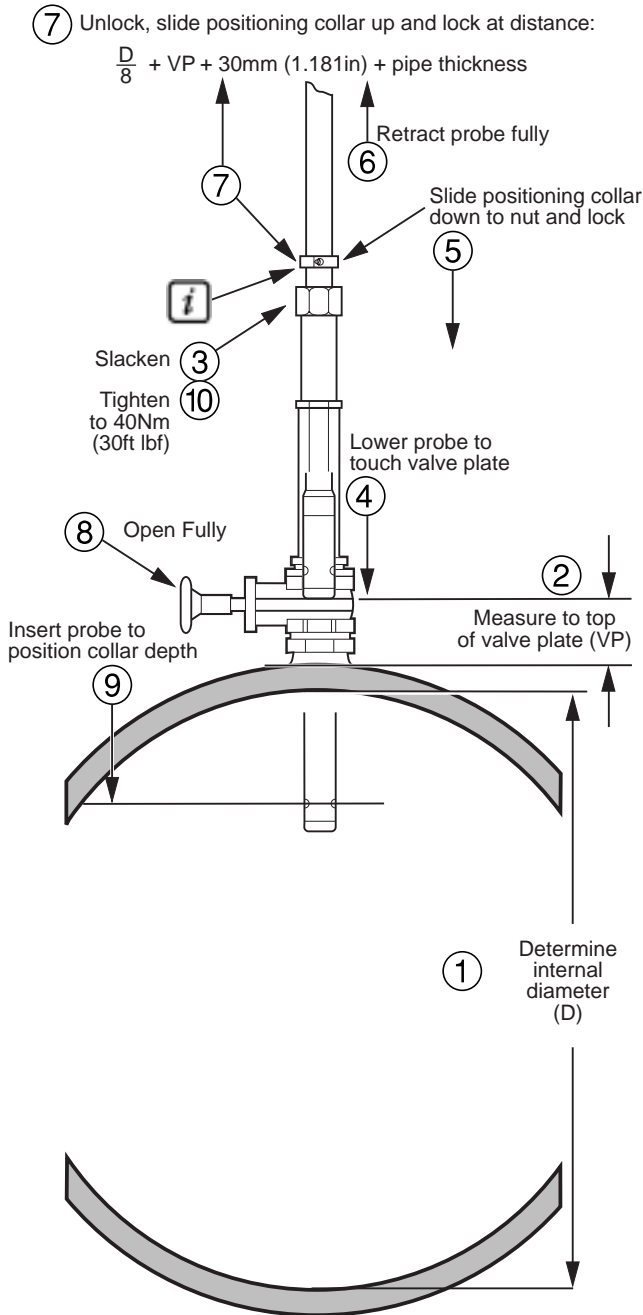


Fig. 3.14 Setting the Insertion Depth – Mean Axial Velocity Method

3.7 AquaProbe Alignment – Fig. 3.15

**Warning.** When inserting or removing the AquaProbe suitable restraining equipment must be used to prevent the probe being forced out under pressure.

**Information.** Measurement error due to misalignment is <0.15%.

**Information.** Safety restraint omitted for clarity.

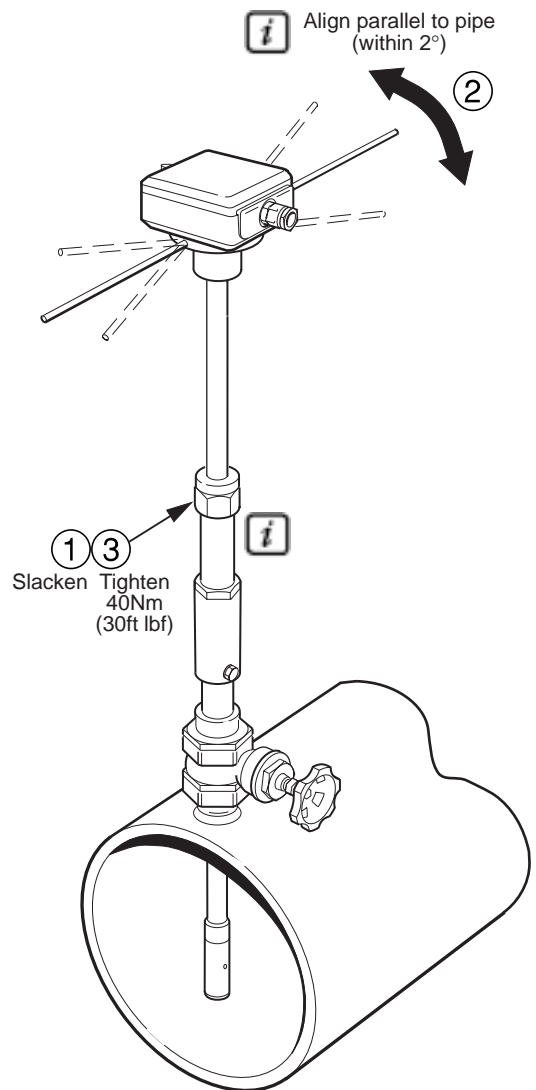


Fig. 3.15 Probe Alignment

## 4 ELECTRICAL INSTALLATION

AquaProbe is usually supplied with an integral cable and potted terminal box. The cable is fitted with the necessary plugs for connection to the AquaProbe transmitter. In some cases however the lead assembly (complete with plugs) is supplied unattached to the AquaProbe and connections to the probe head are necessary. A battery may be supplied, with integral plug and connector. If required an optional cable, with the required connector, is available for any output function.

### 4.1 AquaProbe Transmitter Socket Identification – Fig. 4.1

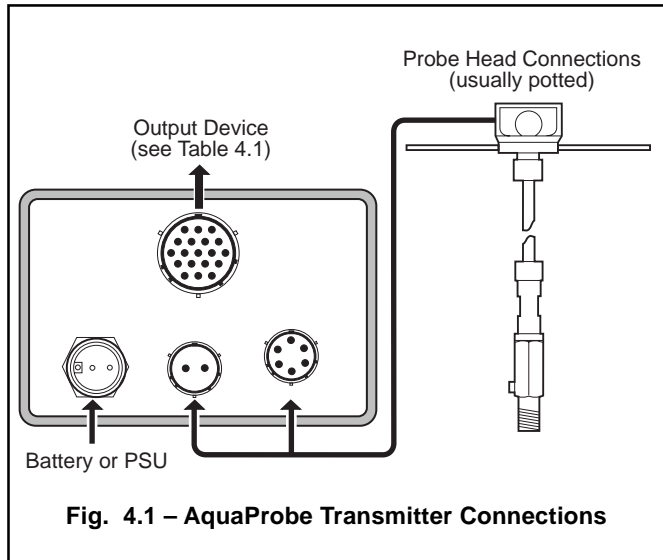


Fig. 4.1 – AquaProbe Transmitter Connections

### 4.2 Grounding



**Caution.** All earth bonding (grounding) must be in accordance with relevant national and local standards.

### 4.3 Input and Output Connections – Table 4.1



**Caution.** Ensure that all external connections and are suitably protected against moisture or flooding.



**Note.** When connecting cables to the transmitter unit, correctly align the plug with the keyway to ensure correct insertion, and turn the locking ring fully clockwise to secure.

Pin	Name	Function	Colour (Output cable)
A	B –	Internally wired to battery connector –ve (= GND)	Black
B	B +	Internally wired to battery connector +ve (= +12V)	Red†
C	A +	Equivalent to B+ (+12V), forces CONTINUOUS MODE when powered.	Pink
D	x1F	Forward pulse output, standard resolution	Orange
E	x10F	Forward pulse output, high resolution	White/Orange
F	x1R	Reverse pulse output, standard resolution	Blue
G	GND	Internally wired to battery connector –ve	Drain Wire
H	x10R	Reverse pulse output, high resolution	White/Blue
J	RESET	Resets internal totaliser when connected to GND	White
K	ACTIVATE	Equivalent to 'ACTIVATE' (connect to GND)	Violet
L	RXD	Receive data (serial input connection)	Turquoise
M	TXD	Transmit data (serial output connection)	Brown
N	—	Not used	
P	—	Not used	
R	—	Not used	
S	GND	Internally wired to battery connector –ve	Grey
T	RSTSW	Connects to GND when 'RESET' operated with magnetic wand	Yellow
U	—	Not used	
V	GND	Internally wired to battery connector –ve	Green

† This wire is directly connected to the battery connector +ve and must be adequately insulated to prevent shorting to other connections, as this may cause damage or fire.

Table 4.1 Input/Output Connection Details

## 4 ELECTRICAL INSTALLATION...

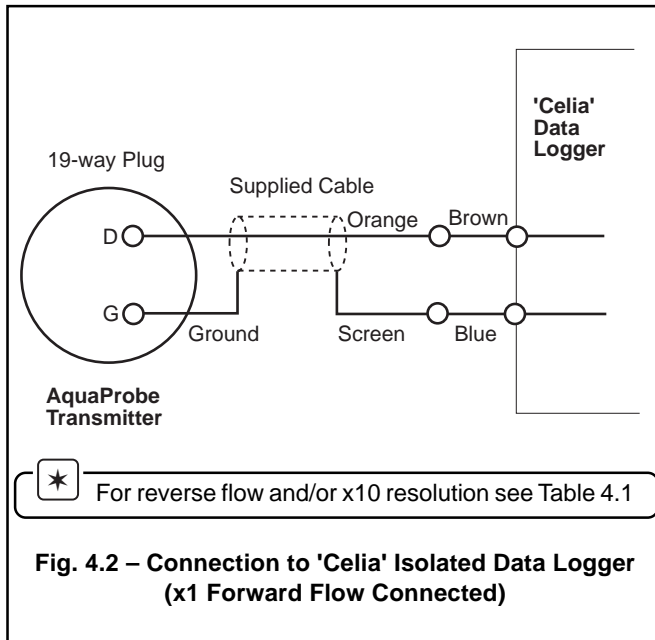
### 4.4 Data Logger Connections – Figs. 4.2 to 4.5

If required, the transmitter may be connected to a data logger using suitable cables – see Section 8.1. Additional connection details are shown in Table 4.1 (previous page).

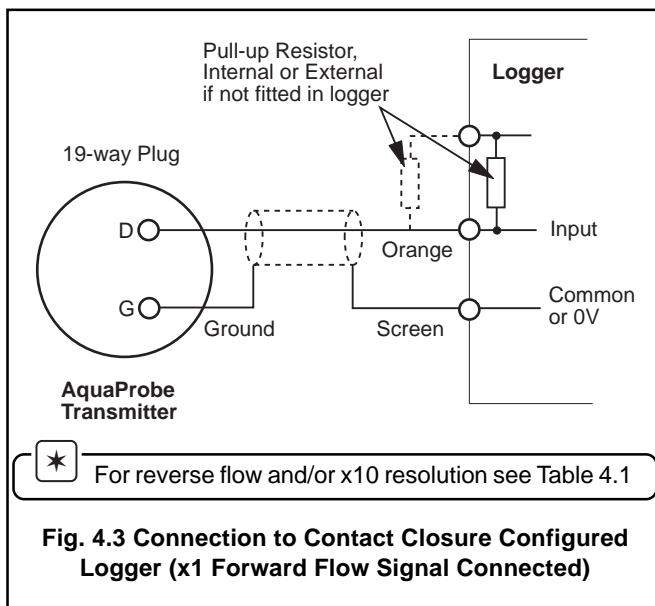


**Caution.** When connecting to remote receiving equipment take care to ensure that large earth currents are prevented as a result of the common zero volt connections. Failure to observe this precaution may result in inaccurate or unreliable operation.

#### 4.4.1 Celia Isolated Logger – Fig. 4.2

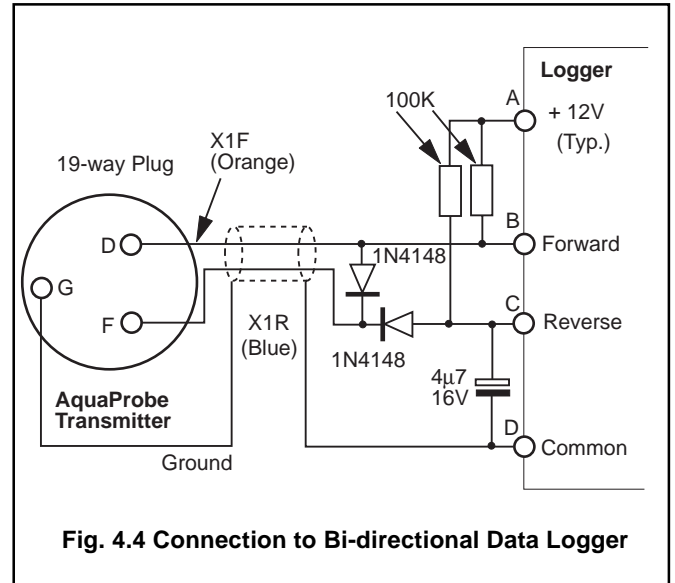


#### 4.4.2 Data Logger Configured for Contact Closure – Fig. 4.3

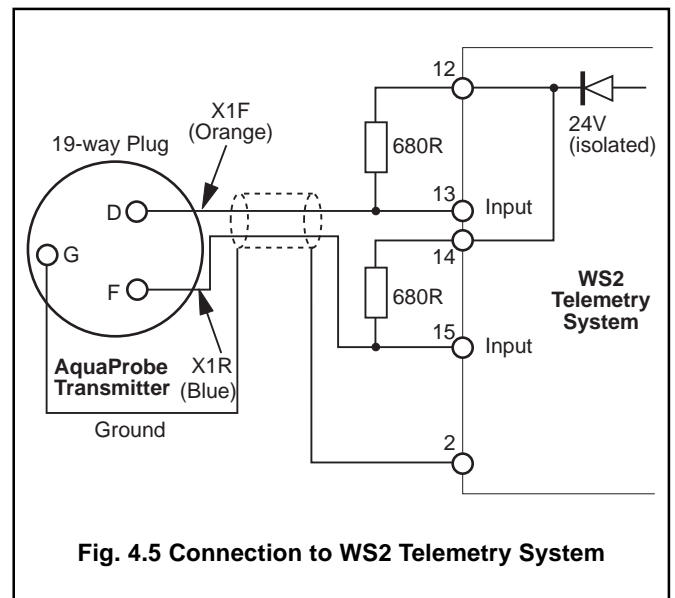


#### 4.4.3 Bi-directional Data Logger – Fig. 4.4

Where an AquaProbe is replacing an existing electro-mechanical probe the following circuitry may be required.



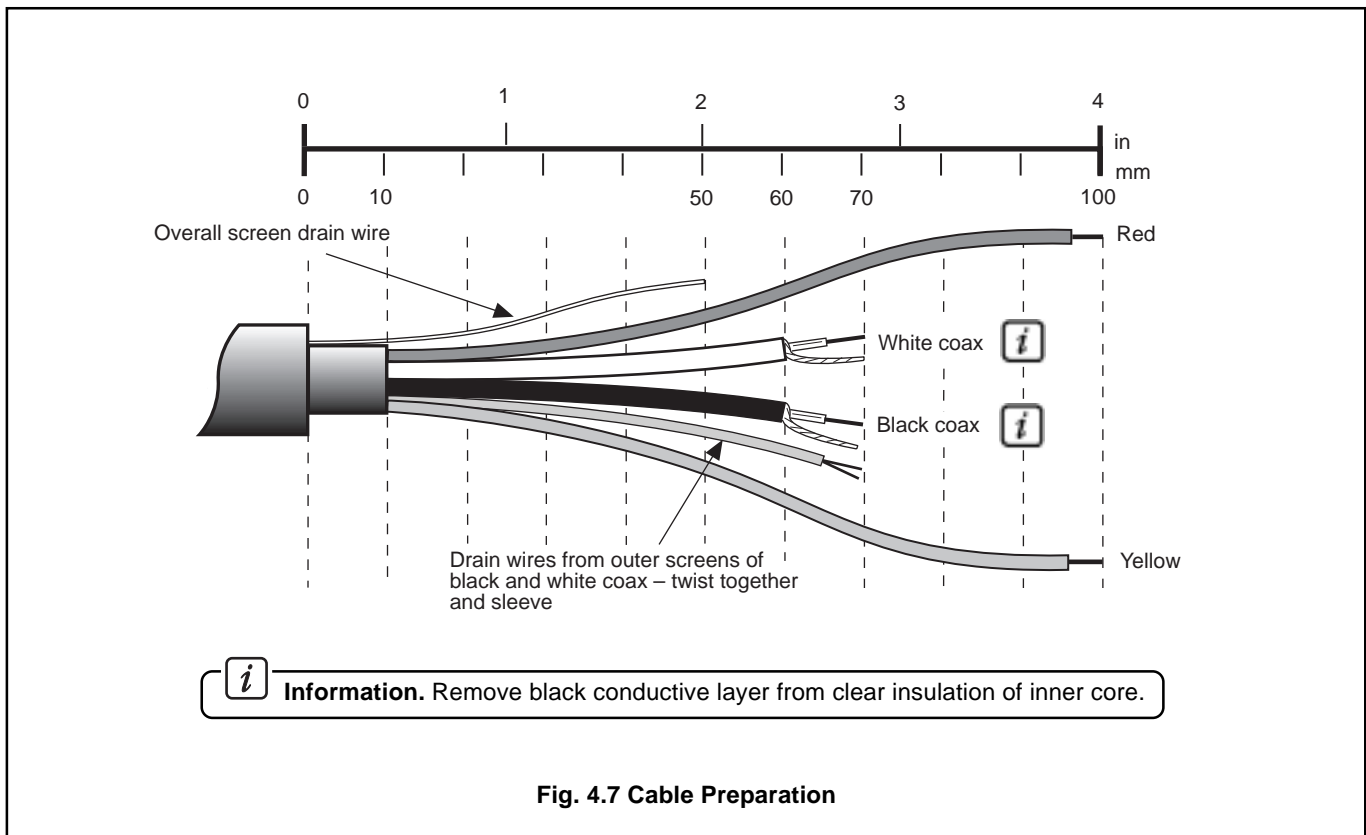
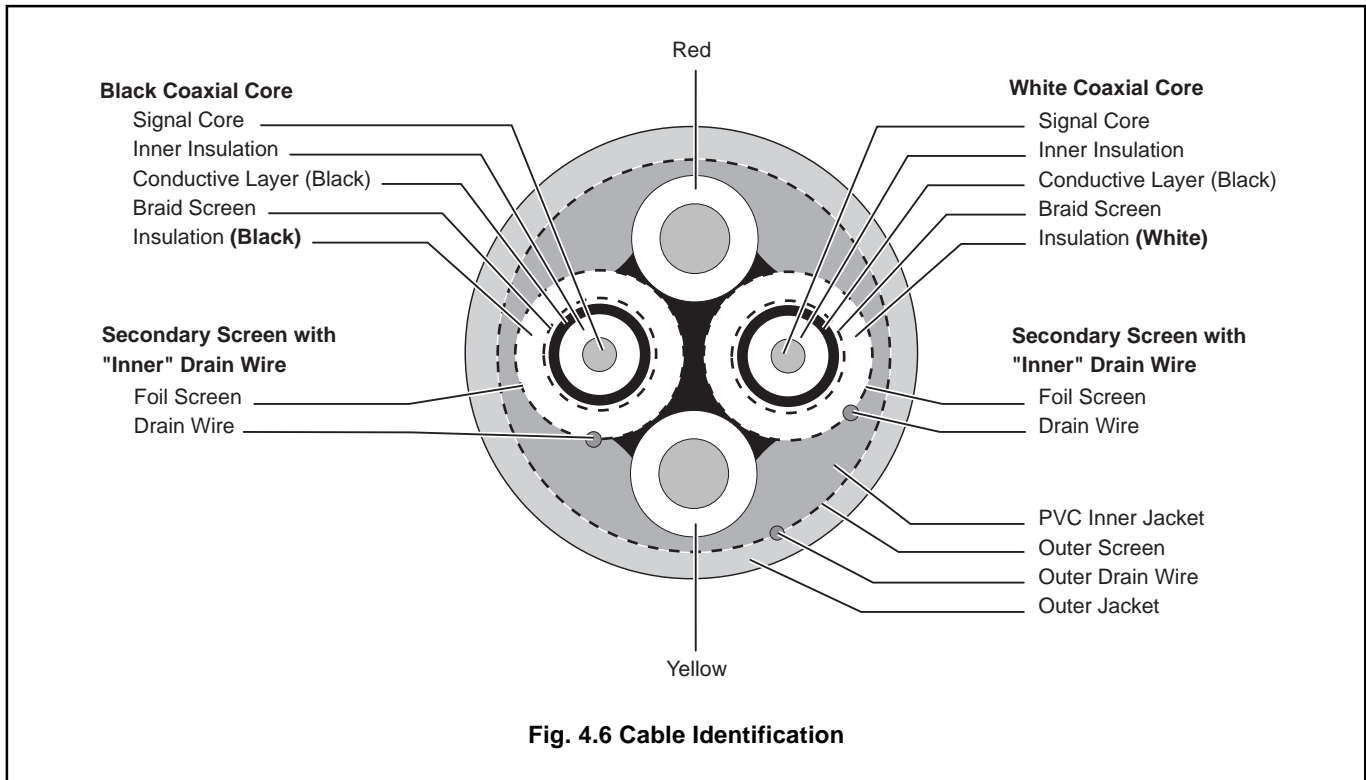
#### 4.4.4 Cervelec WS2 Telemetry System – Fig. 4.5



## ...4 ELECTRICAL INSTALLATION

### 4.5 Cable Type and Preparation – Figs. 4.6 and 4.7

If the cable assembly is supplied independent of the AquaProbe the cable end must be prepared as detailed in Fig. 4.7 before connection to the probe head.

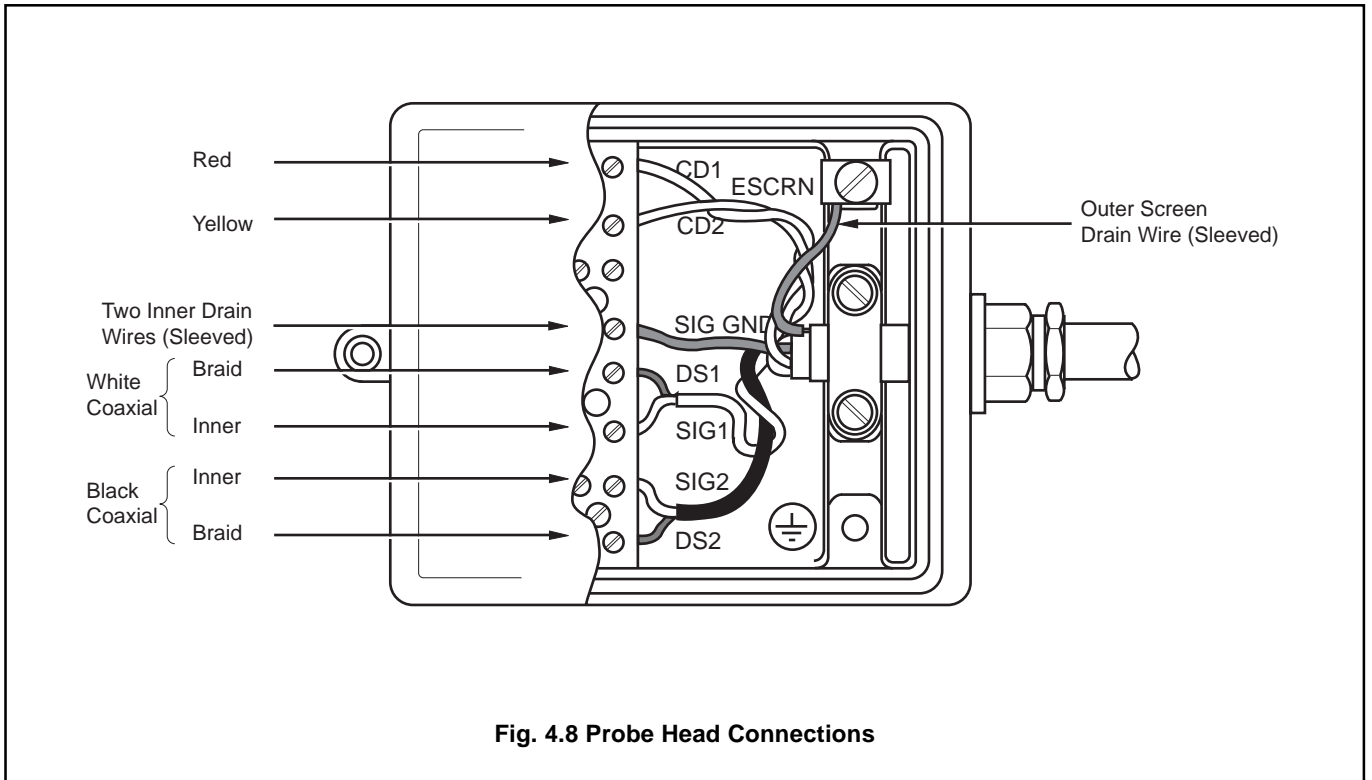


**4.6 Probe Head Connections – Fig. 4.8**

The probe head connections must be potted immediately on completion to prevent ingress of moisture – refer to Appendix A2.

**4.7 Power Supply Unit**

A 12V power supply unit may be connected to the AquaProbe transmitter instead of the battery pack. A power supply lead is available for this purpose – see Section 8.1.



**Fig. 4.8 Probe Head Connections**

## 5 SETTING UP

### 5.1 Introduction

The basic equation for volume measurement using AquaProbe is:

$$Q = A F_i F_p V$$

Where:

- Q = flow rate,
- $F_i$  = insertion factor
- $F_p$  = profile factor
- V = velocity
- A = area

The pipe diameter, profile factor and insertion factor must be determined as detailed in Sections 5.2 to 5.3, as applicable.

\* **Note.** Due to software configuration, all calculations are in metric units. Therefore if using an imperial pipe, the diameter **MUST** be converted into millimetres (1in = 25.4mm) i.e. a 36in pipe = 914mm

### 5.2 Centre Line Method

- a) Determine the internal diameter D of the pipe, in millimetres, by the most accurate method available.
- b) Determine the profile factor  $F_p$  from Fig. 5.1.
- c) Calculate the insertion factor  $F_i = \frac{1}{1 - (38/\pi D)}$ .

**Example** – for a pipe of internal diameter 593mm (23.35in):

$$F_p = 0.861 \text{ (derived from Fig. 5.1)}$$

$$F_i = \frac{1}{1 - (38/593\pi)}$$

$$F_i = 1.021$$

### 5.3 Mean Axial Velocity Method (1/8 Diameter)

- a) Determine the internal diameter D of the pipe, in millimetres, by the most accurate method available.
- b) A profile factor  $F_p$  of 1 must be used.

$$c) \text{ Calculate the insertion factor } F_i = \left[ 1 + \frac{12.09}{D} + \frac{1.3042}{\sqrt{D}} \right]$$

**Example** – for a pipe of internal diameter 593mm (23.35in):

$$F_p = 1$$

$$F_i = \left[ 1 + \frac{12.09}{593} + \frac{1.3042}{\sqrt{593}} \right]$$

$$F_i = 1.074$$

### 5.4 Partial Velocity Traverse

Refer to the Appendix A1 for procedure.

### 5.5 AquaProbe Transmitter Set-up

The AquaProbe Transmitter can be set up to display point velocity, mean velocity or flow rate, as required. For full programming details refer to the AquaProbe Transmitter Configuration Manual.

For velocity measurement set:

$$VU \text{ to } 1.000$$

$$TU \text{ to } 1.000$$

$$BL \text{ to } F_i \times F_p$$

For flow rate ( in any units):

- a) Calculate the volume units VU using

$$VU = \frac{\pi}{4} \times \left( \frac{D}{1000} \right)^2 \times L$$

Where D is the internal pipe diameter in mm

L is the number of volume units in a cubic metre

- b) Enter TU for the time display units required, i.e. 1 (per second) 60 (per minute) etc.

**Example** – for a pipe diameter of 593mm (23.35in) and flow rate display in L/m (litres per minute) using centre line method:

$$VU = \frac{\pi}{4} \times \left( \frac{593}{1000} \right)^2 \times 1000$$

$$VU = 276.2$$

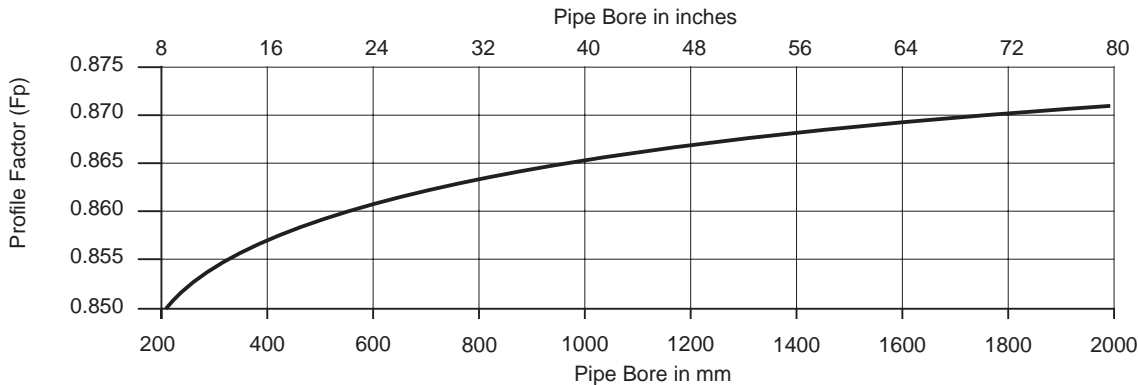
and

$$TU = 60$$

$$BL = F_i \times F_p$$

$$BL = 1.021 \times 0.861$$

$$BL = 0.879$$



**Fig. 5.1 Profile Factor vs Velocity for Pipe Sizes 200 to 2000mm (8 to 80in)**



## 6 OPERATION

For full details of operation and displays refer to the AquaProbe Transmitter Configuration Manual (IM/AQUAPB-CM).

### 6.1 Start-up and Operation – Fig. 6.1

Ensure connections have been made correctly, connect power and follow the sequence of operation detailed in Fig. 6.1. To change between continuous and intermittent mode refer to the AquaProbe Transmitter Configuration Manual.

### 6.2 Battery Pack Replacement

The totaliser display is maintained for approximately one minute after removal of power to enable the battery pack to be changed. The count is typically stored for a further 2 to 3 minutes after which time a random totaliser value is displayed on restoration of power.

The battery pack must be replaced annually on systems using the 15 minute measurement interval in intermittent mode and proportionally more often for other measurement intervals.



**Caution.** Ensure that the battery connector locking ring is not cross-threaded and tighten connector firmly by hand.

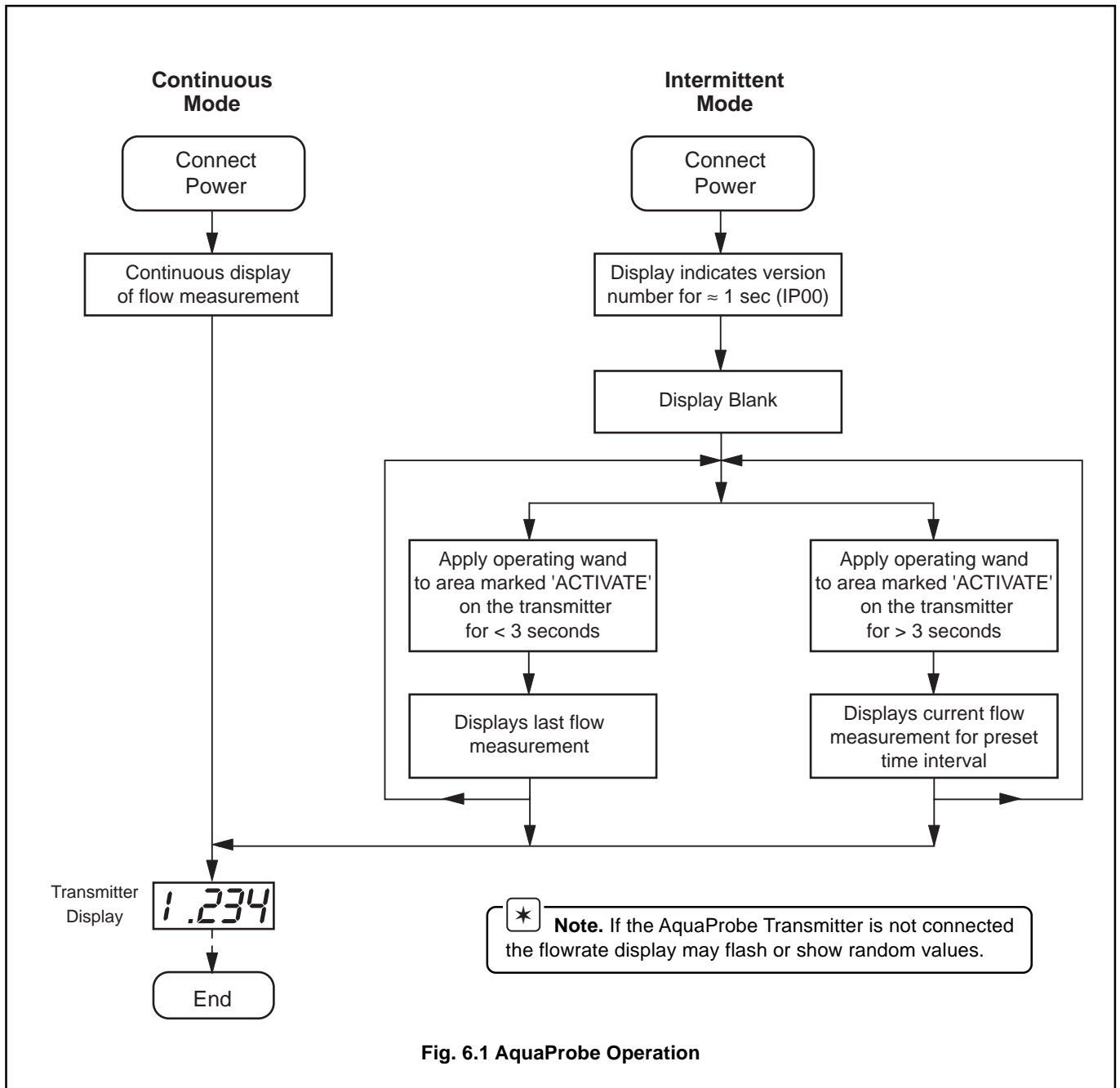


Fig. 6.1 AquaProbe Operation

# 7 FAULT FINDING

Refer to Fig. 7.1 for fault diagnosis procedure. If a fault is found which cannot be resolved using the procedure detailed in Fig. 7.1, return the AquaProbe Transmitter to The Company.

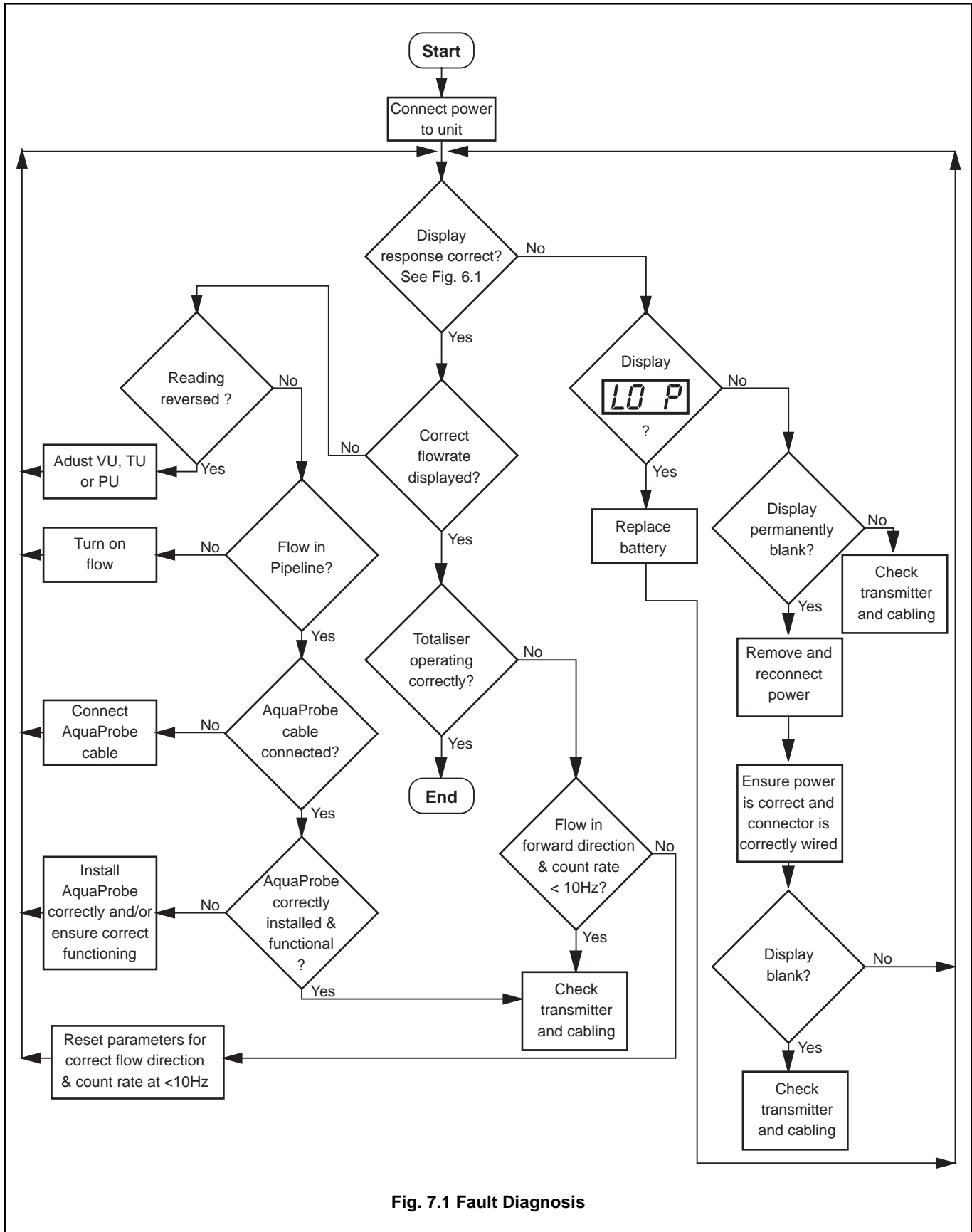
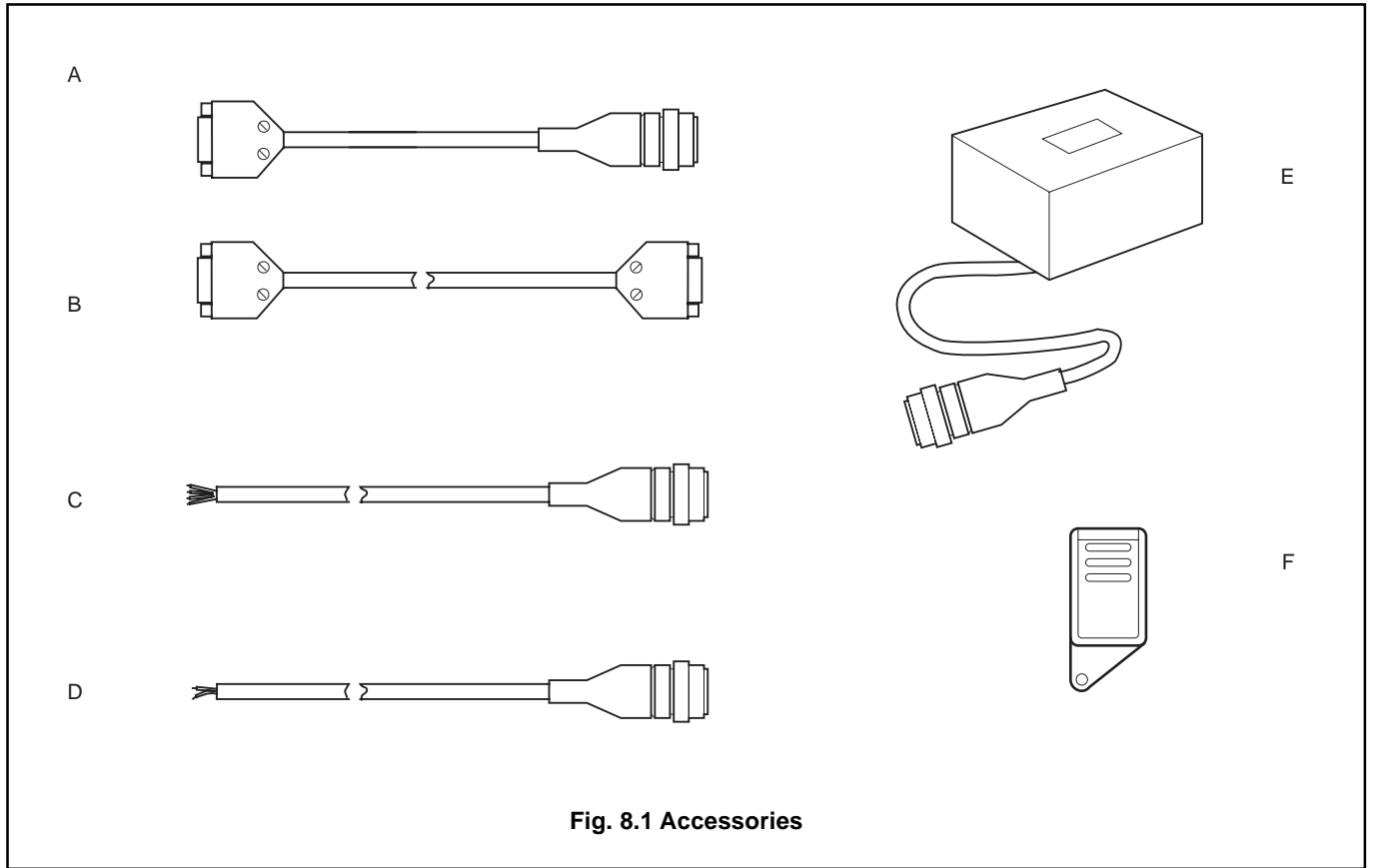


Fig. 7.1 Fault Diagnosis

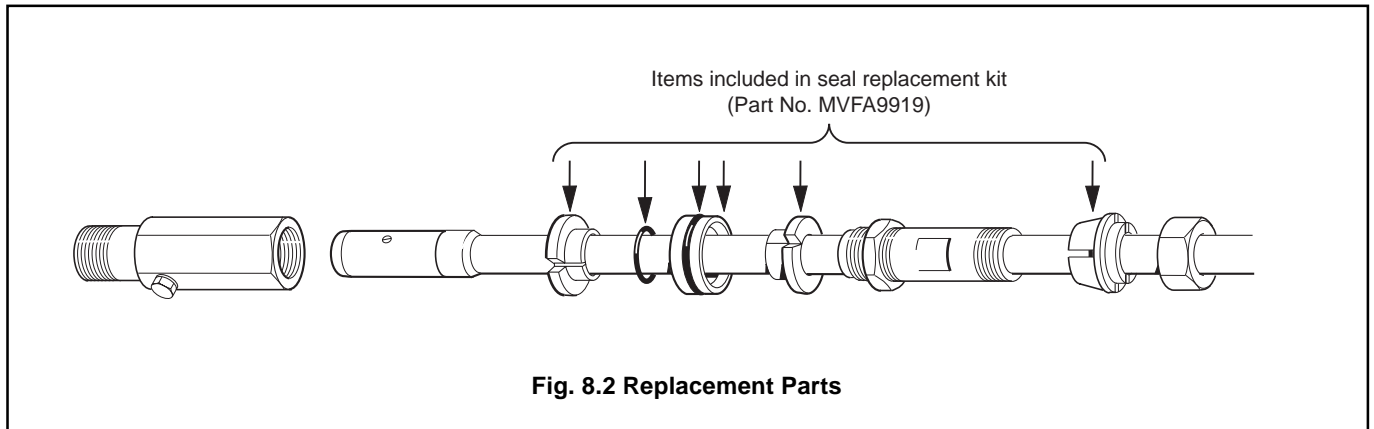
## 8 SPARES

### 8.1 Accessories – Fig. 8.1

A	Communications adaptor (to connect to Psion Organiser etc.)	WEBC 0004
B	Serial Data Lead (to connect PC to 'A' above)	WEBC 0003
C	Output Cable Assembly (14 core plus screen)	MVBX 99147
D	Power Supply Lead	STT 3162
E	Battery Pack	STT 3201
F	Display Operating Wand	MEBX9902



### 8.2 Replacement Parts – Fig. 8.2



# APPENDICES

## A1 Testing the Flow Profile for Symmetry

If there is any doubt as to the symmetry of the flow profile (see Section 3.2), a Partial Velocity Traverse should be carried out. This procedure involves comparing the value of velocity at two points at equal distances from the centre line.

It is normal to compare the flow velocities at insertion depths of  $\frac{1}{8}$  and  $\frac{7}{8}$  of the pipe diameter as these points are always on the 'knee' of the profile.

### A1.1 Partial Velocity Traverse

Determine the internal diameter D of the pipe, in millimetres, by the most accurate method available. If the AquaProbe insertion length is greater than the internal diameter of the pipe, proceed with the **Single Entry Point Method** detailed in Section A1.2. If the AquaProbe insertion length is less than the internal diameter of the pipe, proceed with the **Dual Entry Point Method** detailed in Section A1.3.

### A1.2 Single Entry Point Method

a) Insert the probe to a depth of  $\frac{1}{8}$  the pipe diameter – see Fig. 3.14 on page 9.



**Note.** Due to software configuration, all calculations are in metric units. Therefore if using an imperial pipe, the diameter **MUST** be converted into millimetres (1in = 25.4mm) i.e. a 36in pipe = 914mm.

b) Calculate the insertion factor  $F_i = \left[ 1 + \frac{12.09}{D} + \frac{1.3042}{\sqrt{D}} \right]$ .

c) Refer to the AquaProbe Transmitter Configuration Manual and enter a Blockage Factor (BL) of value equal to  $F_i$ .

d) Record the flow velocity reading.

e) Insert the probe to a depth of  $\frac{7}{8}$  the pipe diameter.

f) Calculate the insertion factor  $F_i = \left[ 1 + \frac{12.09}{D} - \frac{1.3042}{\sqrt{D}} \right]$ .

g) Refer to the AquaProbe Transmitter Configuration Manual and enter a Blockage Factor (BL) of value equal to  $F_i$ .

h) Record the flow velocity reading.

i) Calculate the ratio of the two values recorded.

If the ratio is between 0.95 and 1.05 the flow profile is acceptable and the procedure detailed in section 5.2 can be used. If outside this ratio the AquaProbe should be resited for optimum accuracy.

### A1.3 Dual Entry Point Method

Refer to Section 3.5 and fit a second mounting boss directly opposite the one already fitted.



**Note.** Due to software configuration, all calculations are in metric units. Therefore if using an imperial pipe, the diameter **MUST** be converted into millimetres (1in = 25.4mm) i.e. a 36in pipe = 914mm.

a) Insert the probe to a depth of  $\frac{1}{8}$  the pipe diameter through the original mounting boss.

b) Calculate the insertion factor  $F_i = \left[ 1 + \frac{12.09}{D} + \frac{1.3042}{\sqrt{D}} \right]$ .

c) Refer to the AquaProbe Transmitter Configuration Manual and enter a Blockage Factor (BL) of value equal to  $F_i$ .

d) Record the flow velocity reading.

e) Insert the probe to a depth of  $\frac{1}{8}$  the pipe diameter through the second mounting boss.

f) Record the flow velocity reading.

g) Calculate the ratio of the two values recorded.

If the ratio is between 0.95 and 1.05 the flow profile is acceptable and the procedure detailed in Section 5.2 can be used. If outside this ratio the AquaProbe should be resited for optimum accuracy.

## A2 Potting the Probe Head Connections



### Warnings.

- Potting materials are toxic – use suitable safety precautions
- Read the manufacturer's instructions carefully **before** preparing the potting material.



### Notes.

- The probe head connections must be potted immediately on completion, to prevent ingress of moisture.
- Check all connections before potting – see Section 4.
- Do not overfill or allow the potting material to come into contact with the 'O' ring or groove.

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## NOTES

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