

# Insertion-Type Electromagnetic Probe Flowmeters

AquaProbe and MagMaster™ Transmitter



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	Earth (ground) terminal

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	Both direct and alternating current supply
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6. When disposing of chemicals ensure that no two chemicals are mixed.

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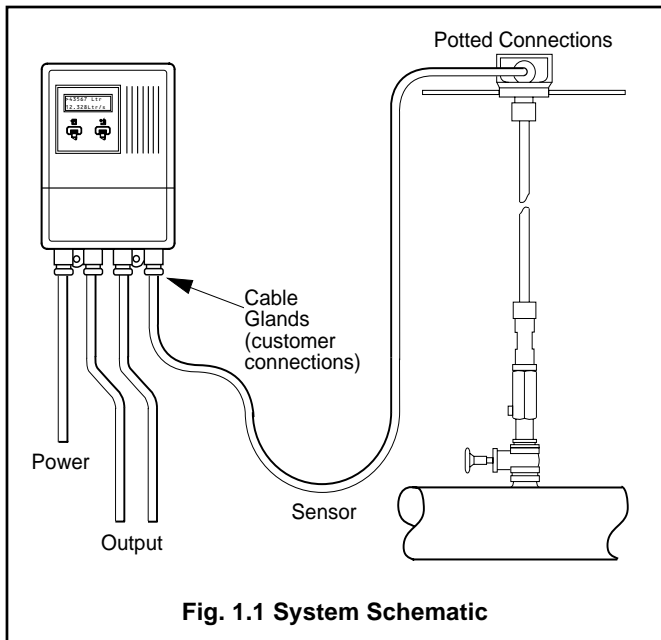
# 1 INTRODUCTION

The AquaProbe electromagnetic insertion flowmeter is designed for measurement of the velocity of the velocity of electrically conductive fluids.

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.

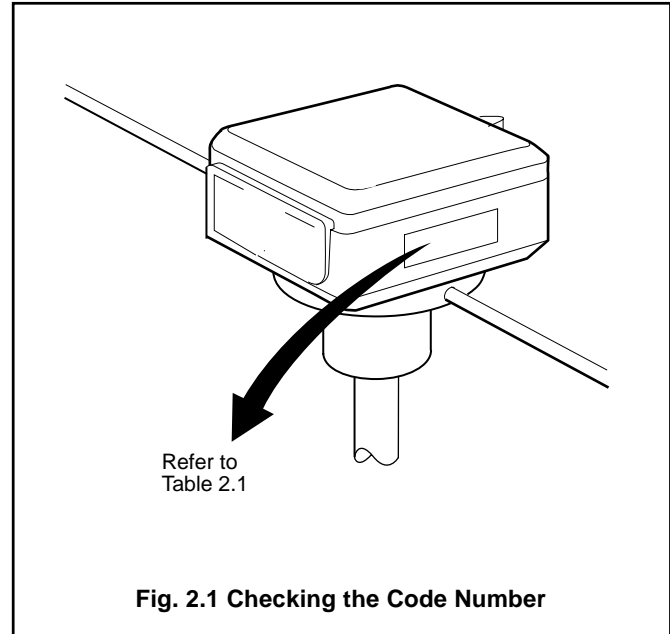
The AquaProbe has been designed for use in survey applications such as leakage monitoring and network analysis and in permanent locations where cost or space limitations preclude the use of conventional closed pipe meters.

## 1.1 System Schematic – Fig. 1.1



# 2 PREPARATION

## 2.1 Checking the Code Number – Fig. 2.1



AquaProbe Product Code		Sensor										Transmitter						
		MF/A	XXX	X	1	0	1	0	X	XX	X	ER	X	X	X	1	X	X
<b>AquaProbe</b>																		
<b>Length</b>	No probe 300mm (12in) 500mm (20in) 700mm (27in) 1000mm (39in)	000 301 501 701 102																
<b>Sliding Joint Connection</b>	Not required 1.0in BSP, with 1/8 in BSP pressure tapping 1.5in BSP, with 1/8 in BSP pressure tapping 1.0in NPT, with 1/8 in NPT pressure tapping	0 1 2 3																
<b>Calibration</b>	Un-calibrated Standard 3 point 8 point Witnessed 8 point	0 1 2 4																
<b>Cabling</b>	Not fitted or potted 3m 10m Fitted to sensor and potted 30m	00 03 10 30																
<b>Glanding and Armoured Cable Options</b>	Standard sensor interconnection cable with 20mm plastic glands Armoured sensor interconnection cable with two brass glands for sensor connection; remaining three transmitter glands in plastic Armoured sensor interconnection cable with 20mm brass glands North American option, 0.5in NPT drilling on terminal box	1 2 3 4																
<b>Power Supply</b>	85 to 265V A.C. 11 to 40V D.C.	1 3																
<b>Display</b>	None Standard	0 3																
<b>Output Options</b>	Standard output Dual current output RS423/422 serial communications RS423/422 serial communications + dual current	0 1 4 5																
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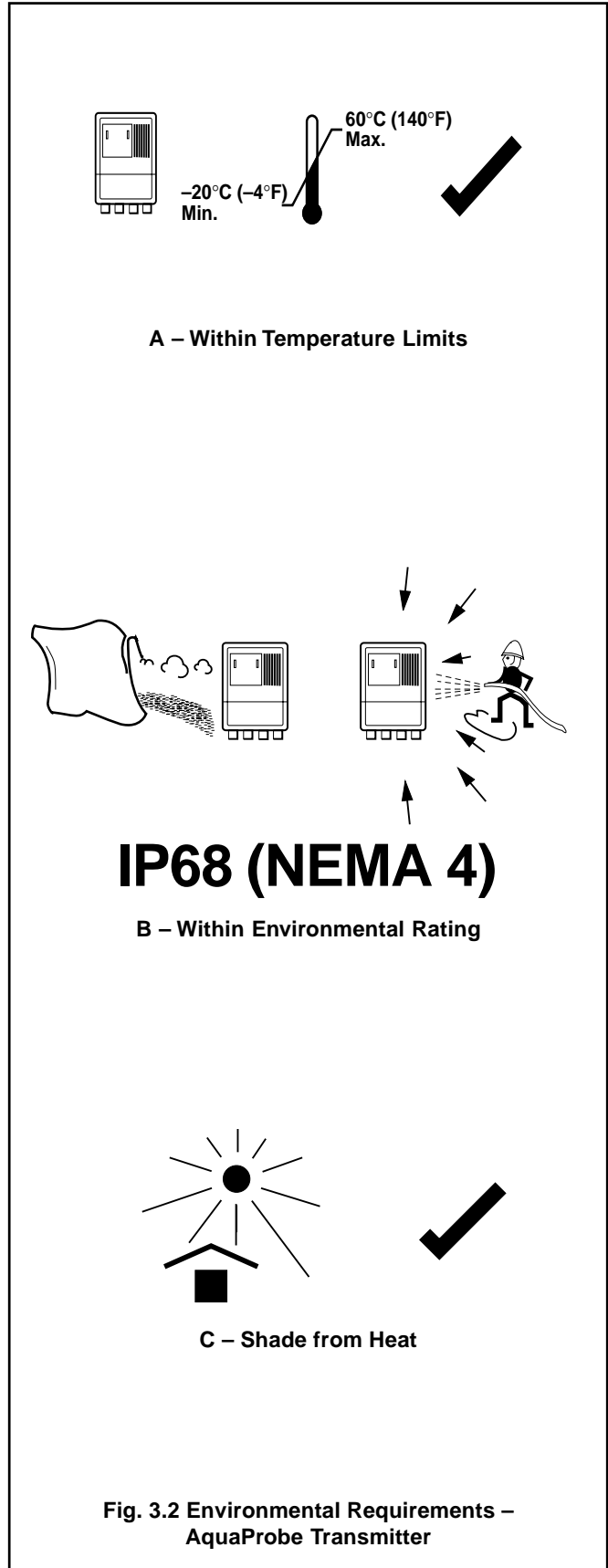
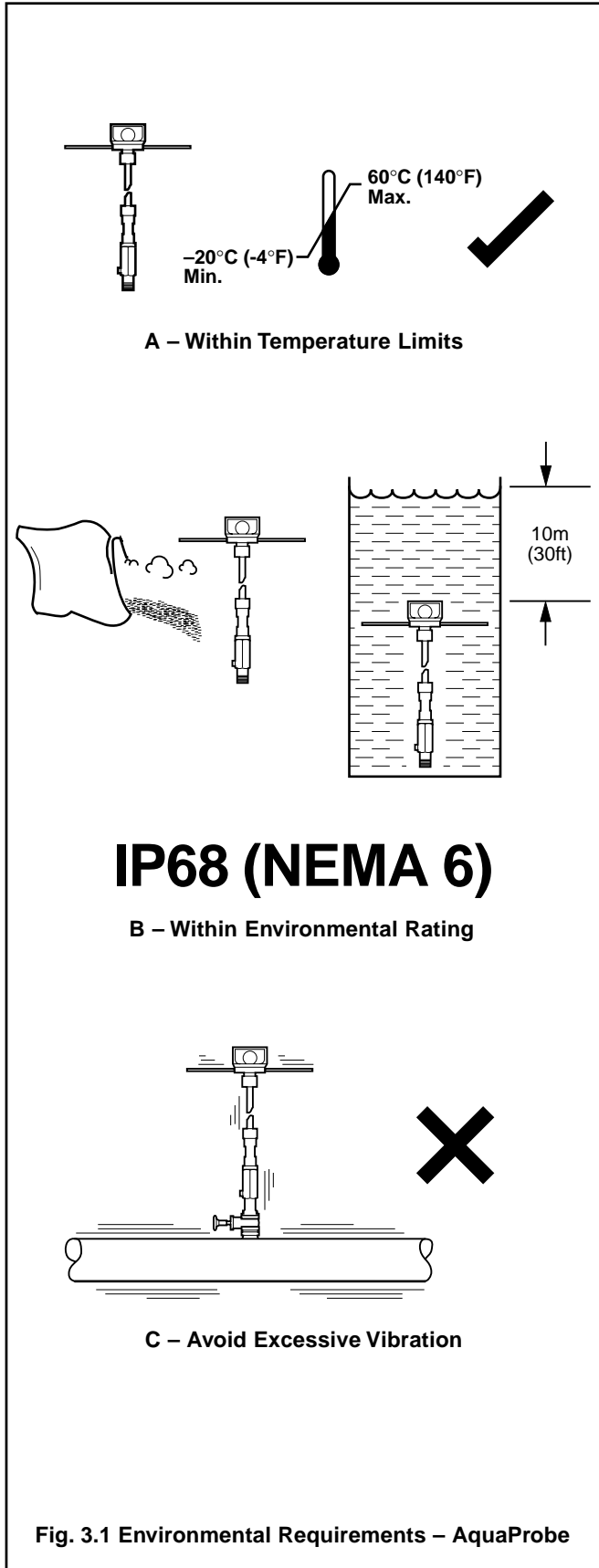
Table 2.1 Code Number Identification

### 3 MECHANICAL INSTALLATION

#### 3.1 Location – Environmental Conditions

#### 3.1.2 Transmitter – Fig. 3.2

##### 3.1.1 AquaProbe – Fig. 3.1



**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

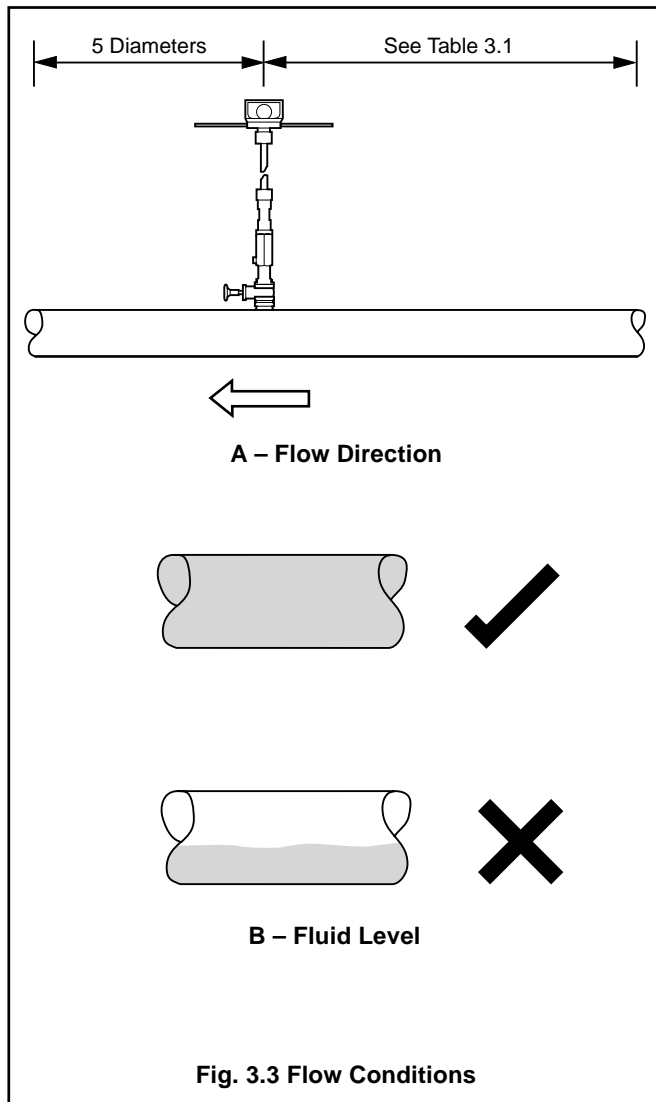
\* Expressed in multiples of the diameter of the conduit.

**Table 3.1 Straight Pipe Lengths**

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 is an extract from ISO 7145 (BS 1042): Section 2.2: 1982 and is reproduced with the permission of BSI. Complete copies of the standard can be obtained by post from BSI Publications, Linford Wood, Milton Keynes, MK14 6LE.

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



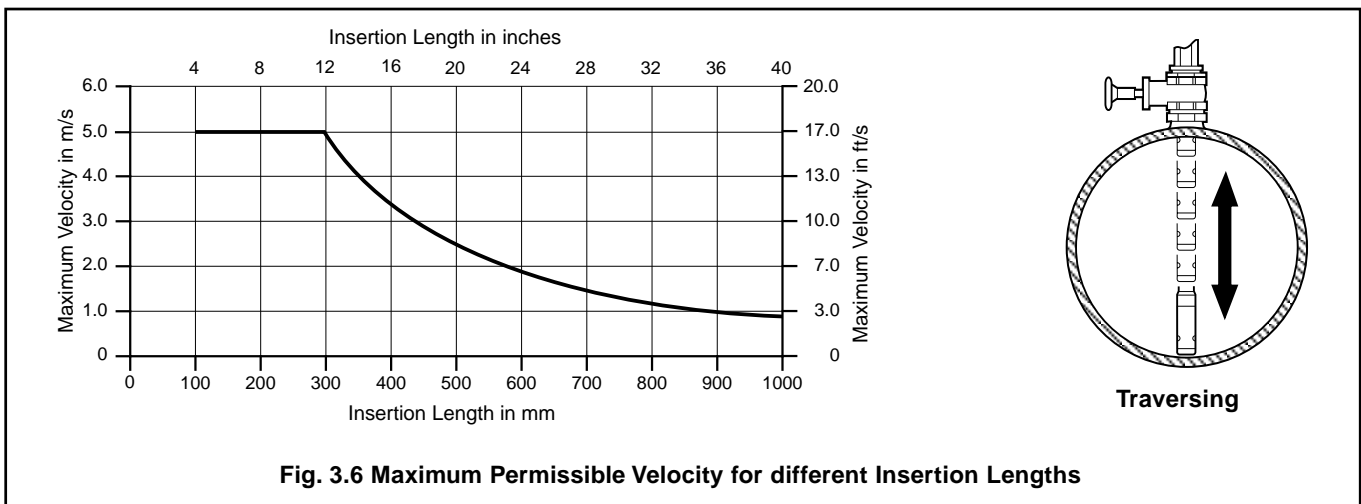
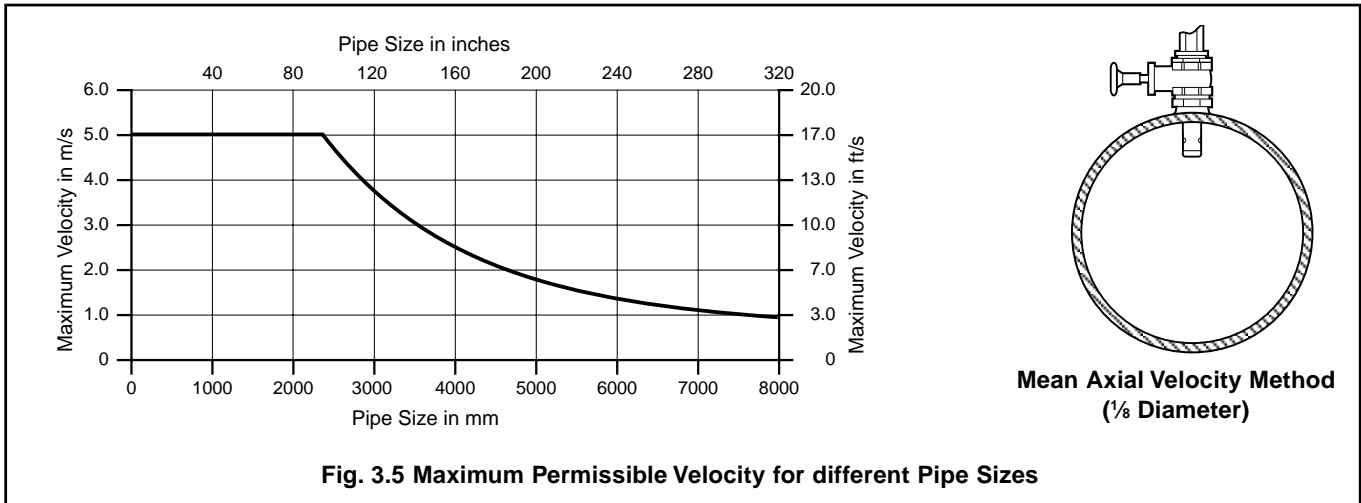
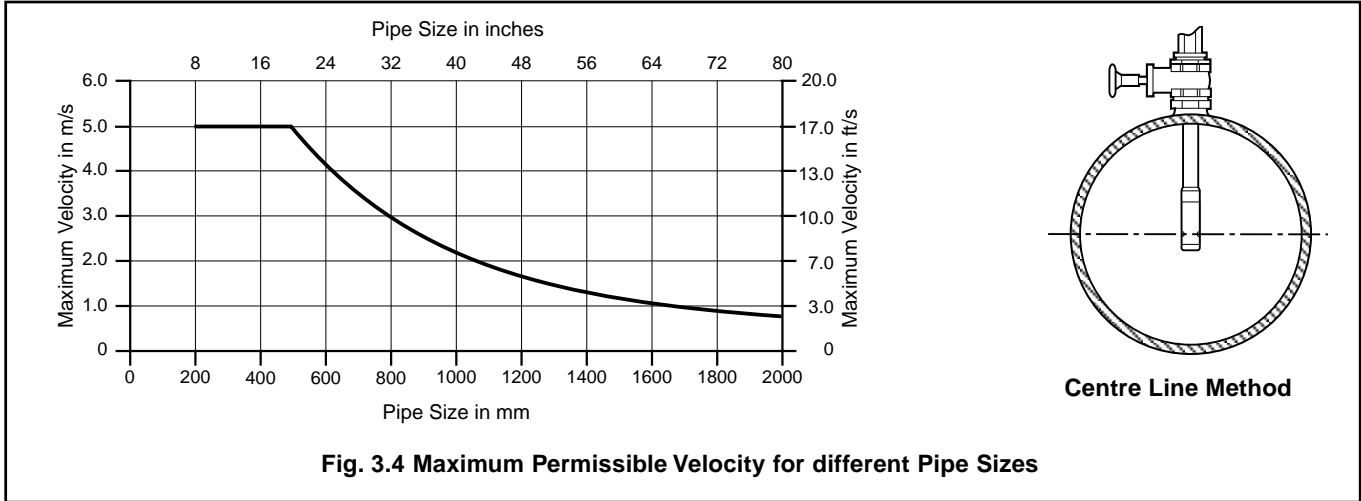
**Fig. 3.3 Flow Conditions**

### 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 the probe's location.

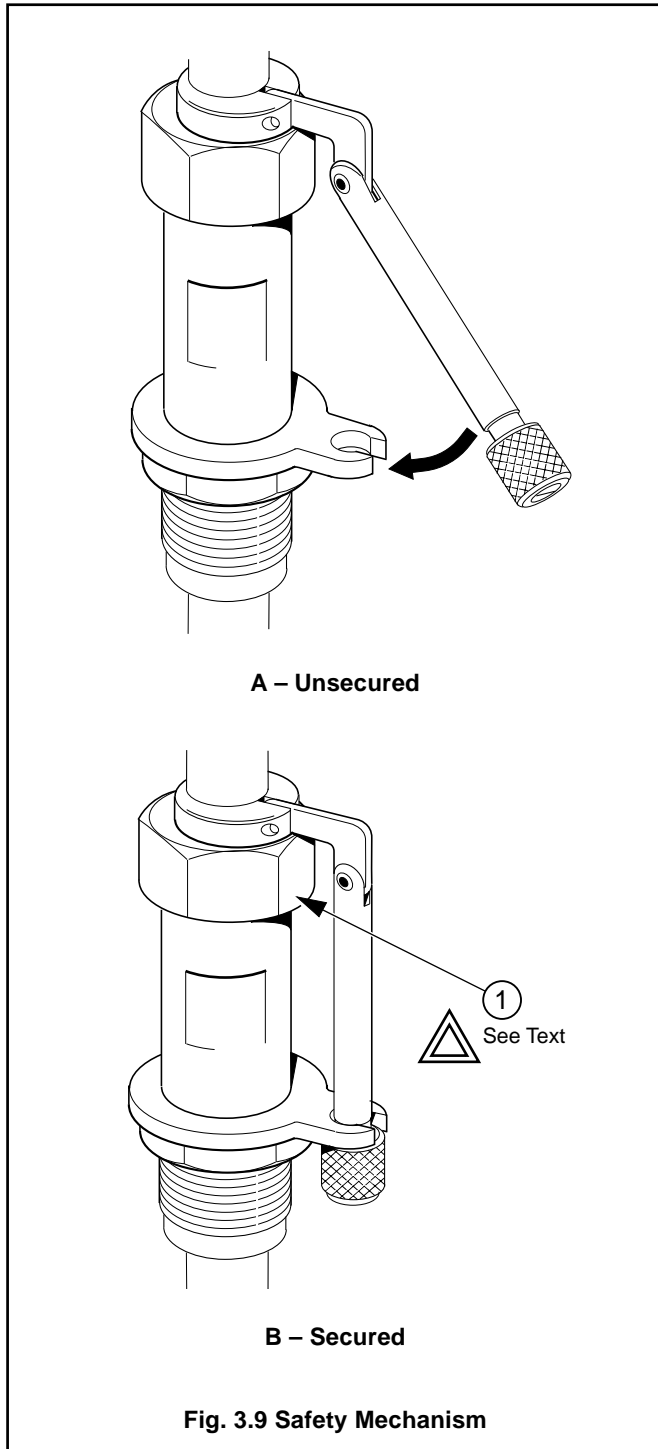




3.3 Safety – Fig. 3.9

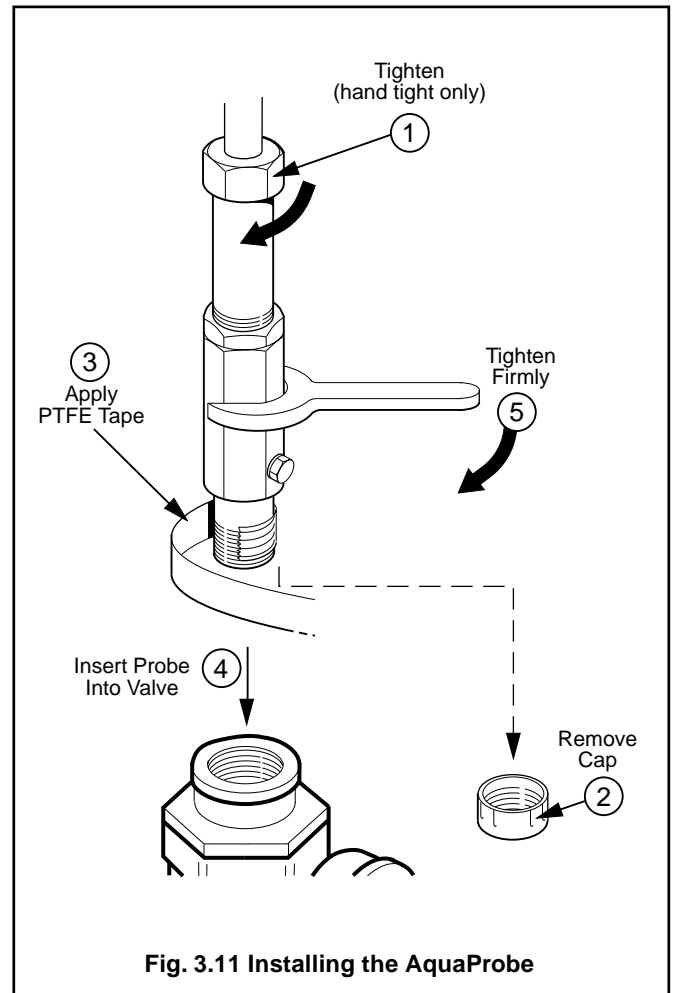
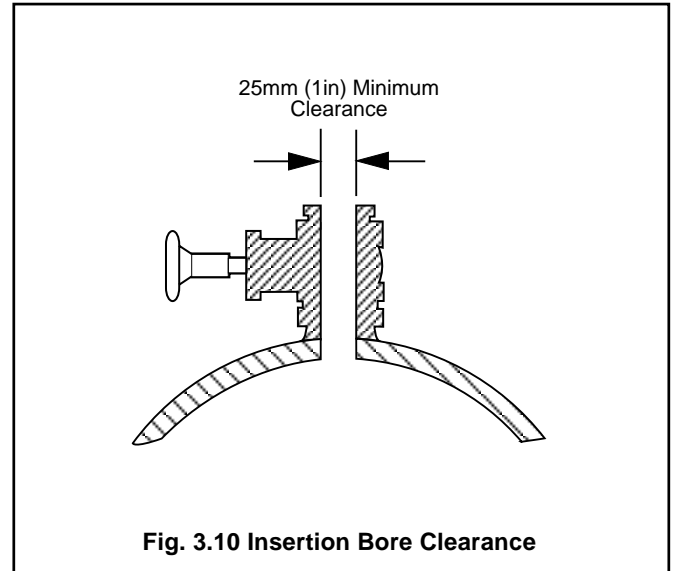
**Warning.** The Aquaprobe is provided with a safety mechanism (see Fig. 3.9) which should be attached to its securing collar as shown in Fig. 3.9B. This prevents rapid outward movement by the probe if the nut 1 is released.

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



3.4 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.



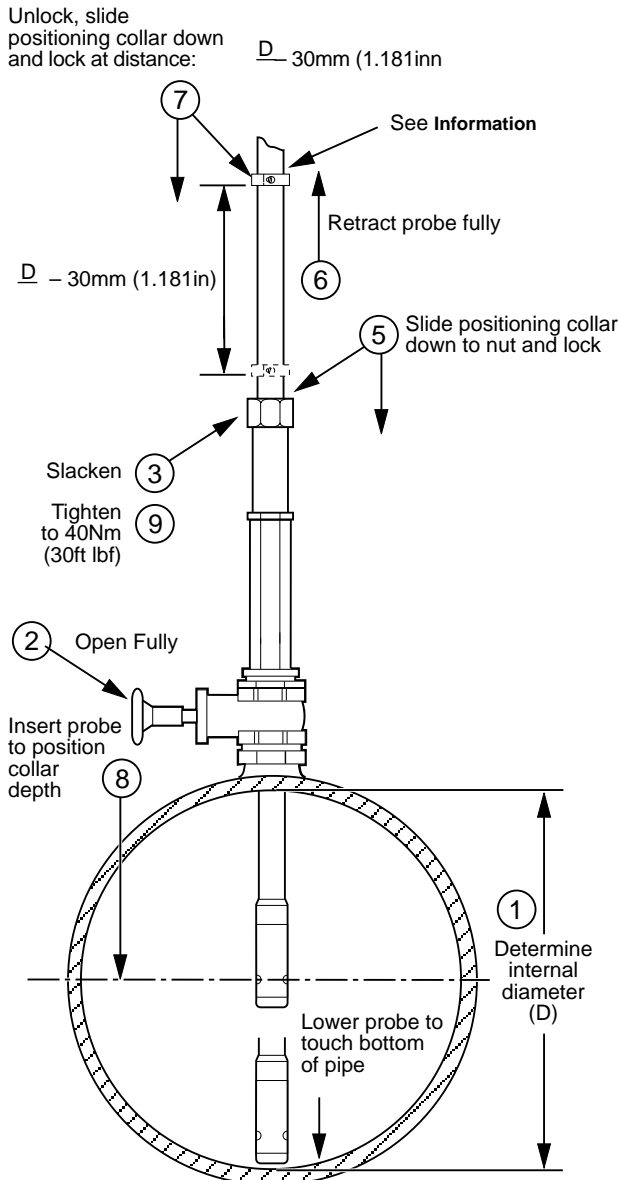
### ...3 MECHANICAL INSTALLATION

#### 3.5 Setting the Insertion Depth

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

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



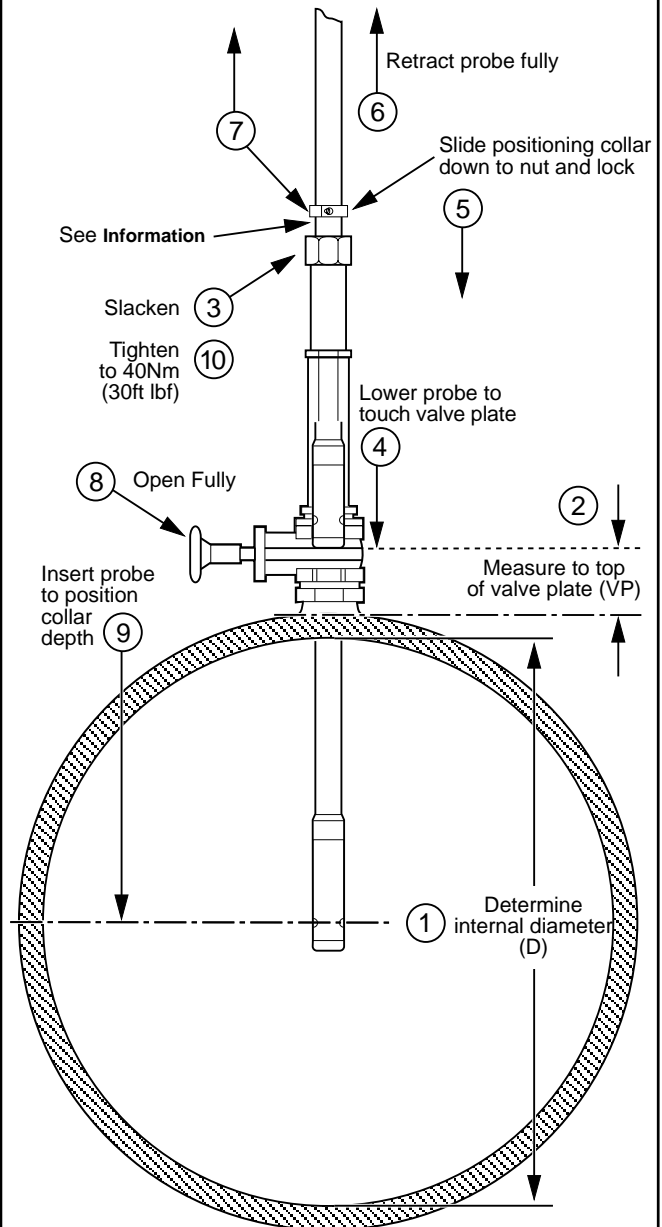
**Fig. 3.12 Setting the Insertion Depth – Centre Line Method for Pipe Diameters  $\leq 1\text{m}$  ( $\leq 40\text{in}$ )**

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

**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.

⑦ Unlock, slide positioning collar up and lock at distance:  $D + VP + 30\text{mm}$  (1.81in) + pipe thickness



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

...Setting the Insertion Depth

3.5.3 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.

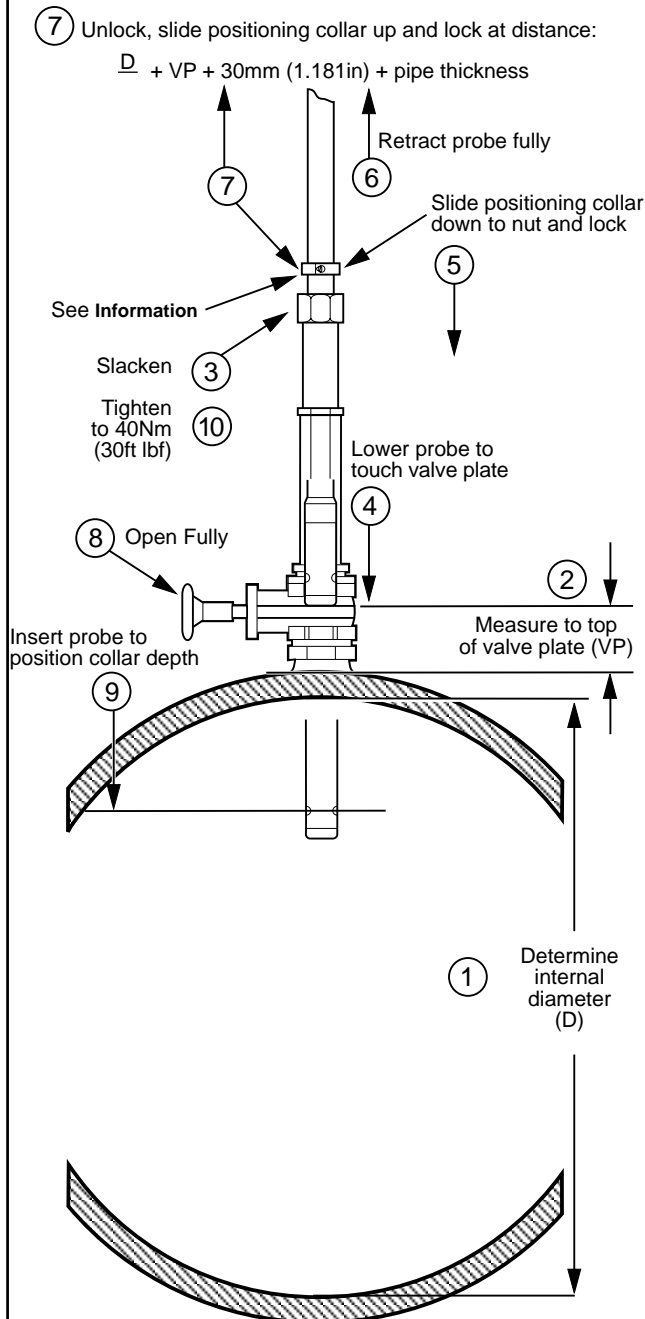


Fig. 3.14 Setting the Insertion Depth – Mean Axial Velocity Method

3.6 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.

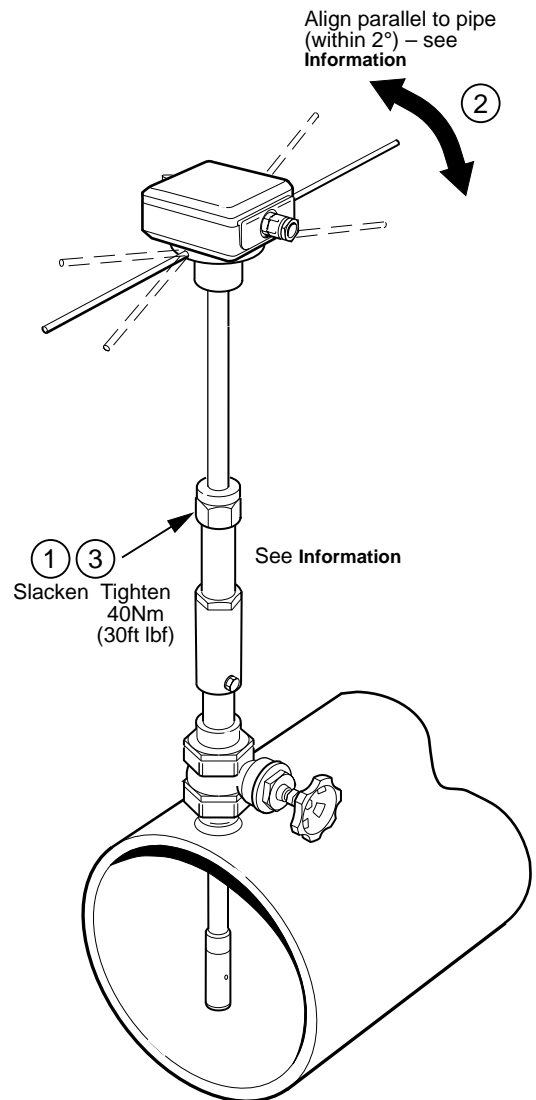
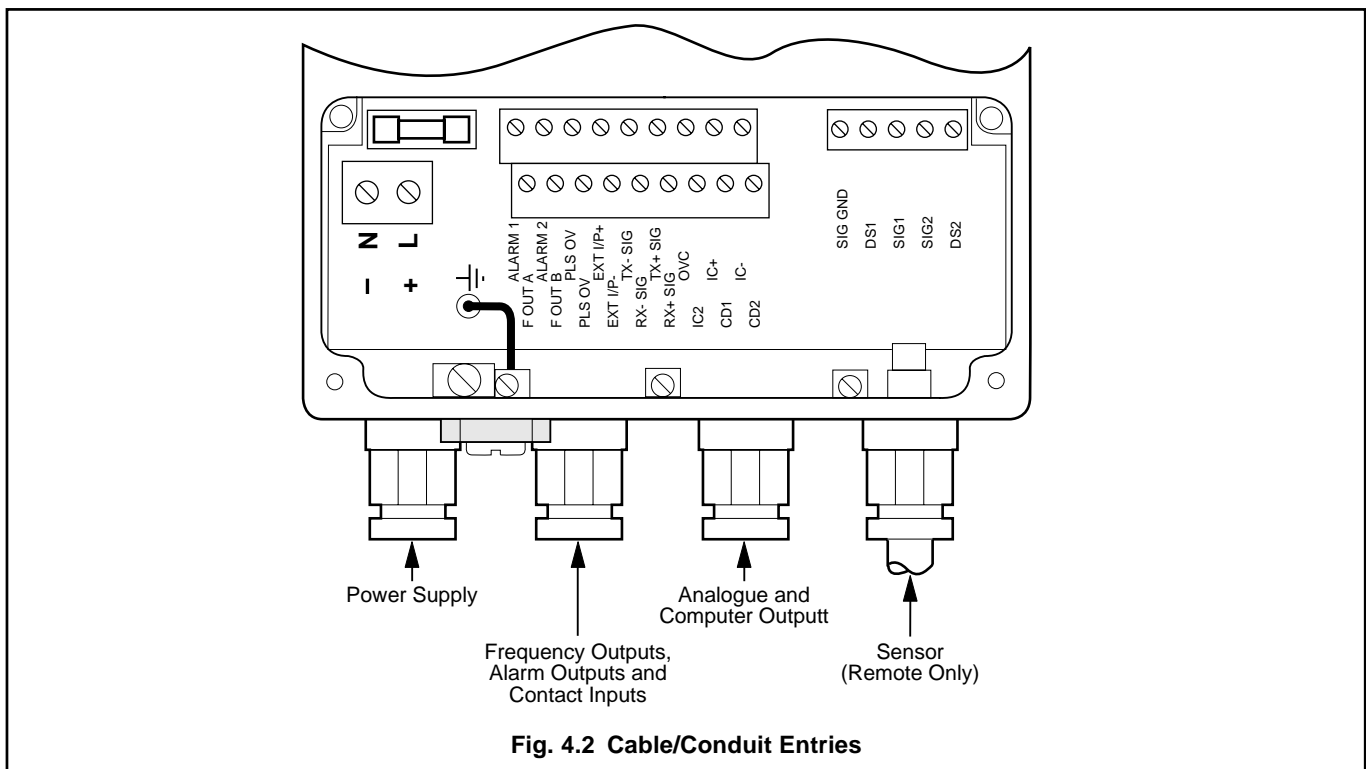
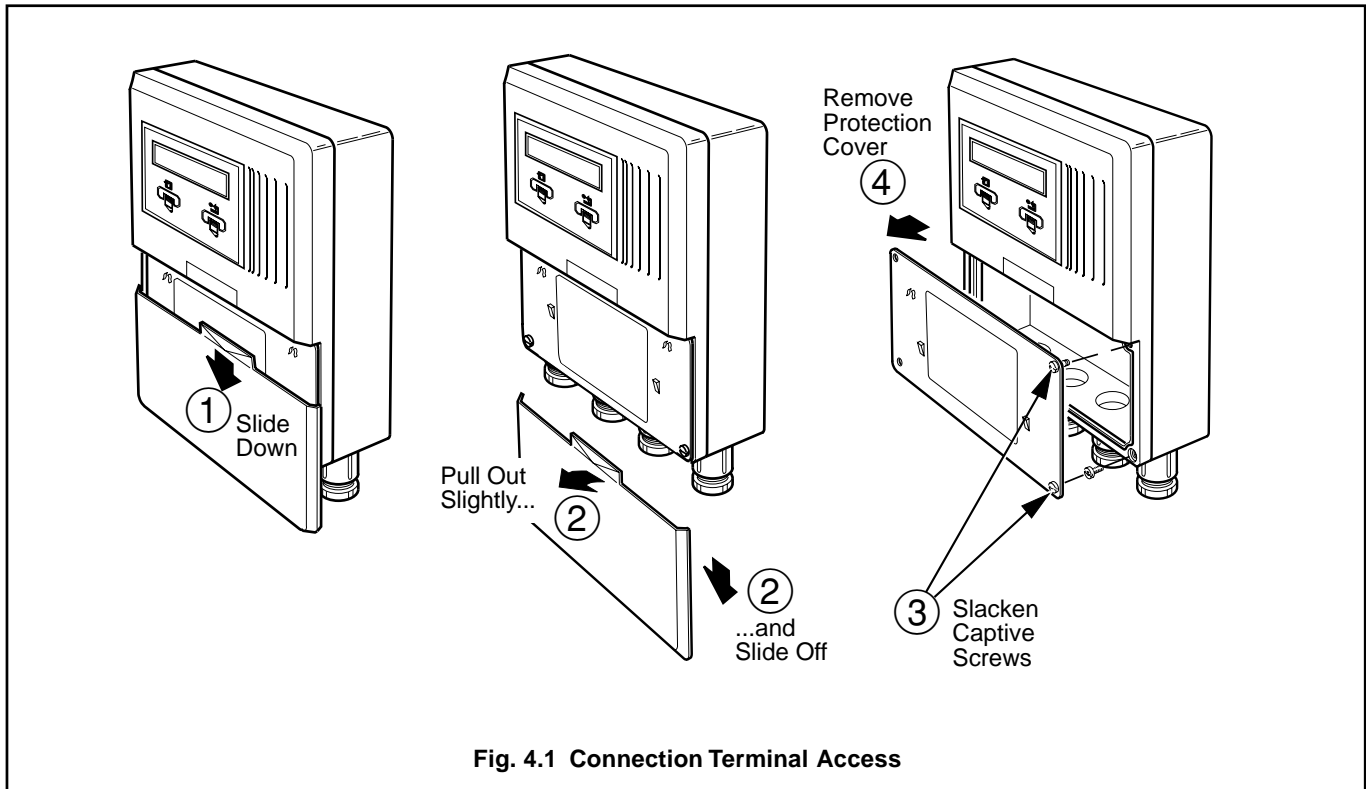


Fig. 3.15 Probe Alignment

## 4 ELECTRICAL INSTALLATION

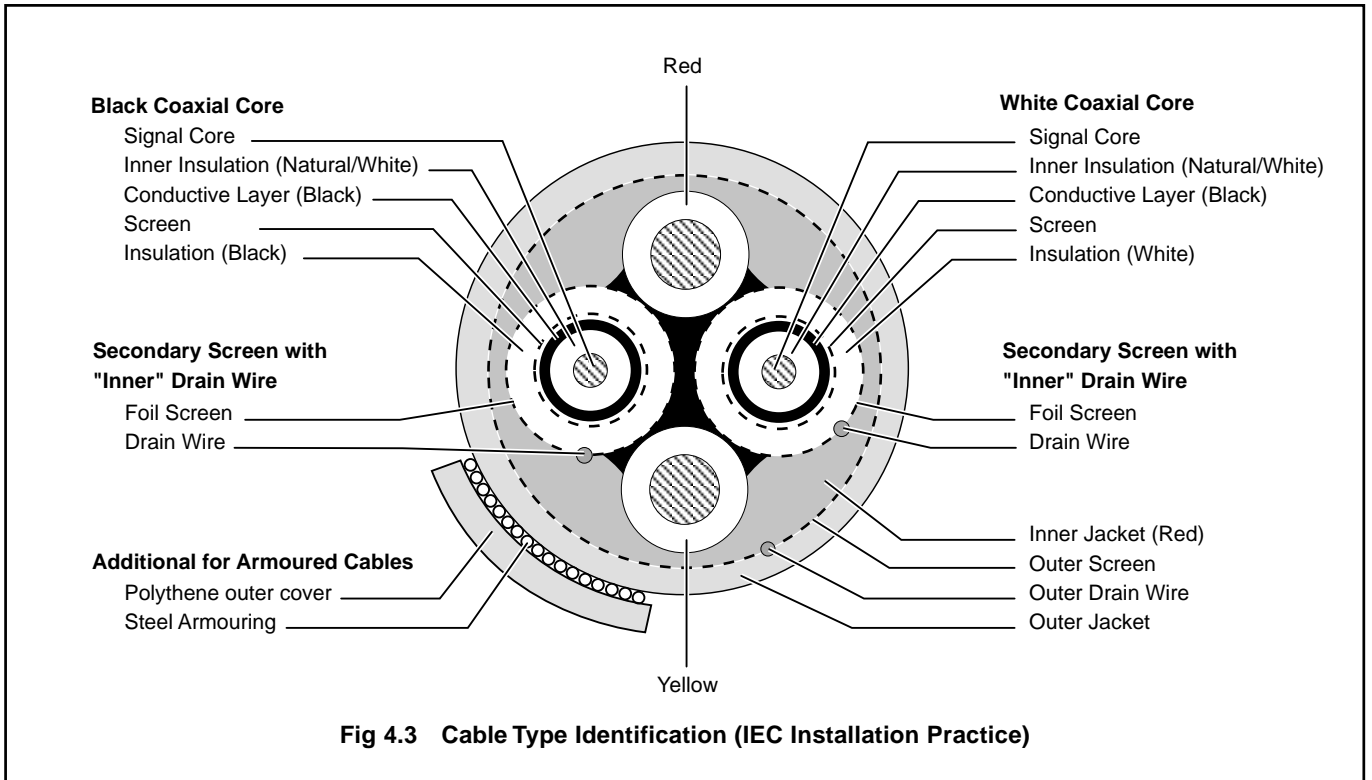
AquaProbe is usually supplied with an integral cable and potted head connections. The transmitter end of the AquaProbe cable, the power supply and any output cables must be prepared and connected as detailed in the relevant parts of this section. If the AquaProbe has been supplied unpotted, connections must also be made to the probe head (Figs. 4.17 and 4.18) and then potted on completion.

### 4.1 Access to Terminals – Figs. 4.1 and 4.2

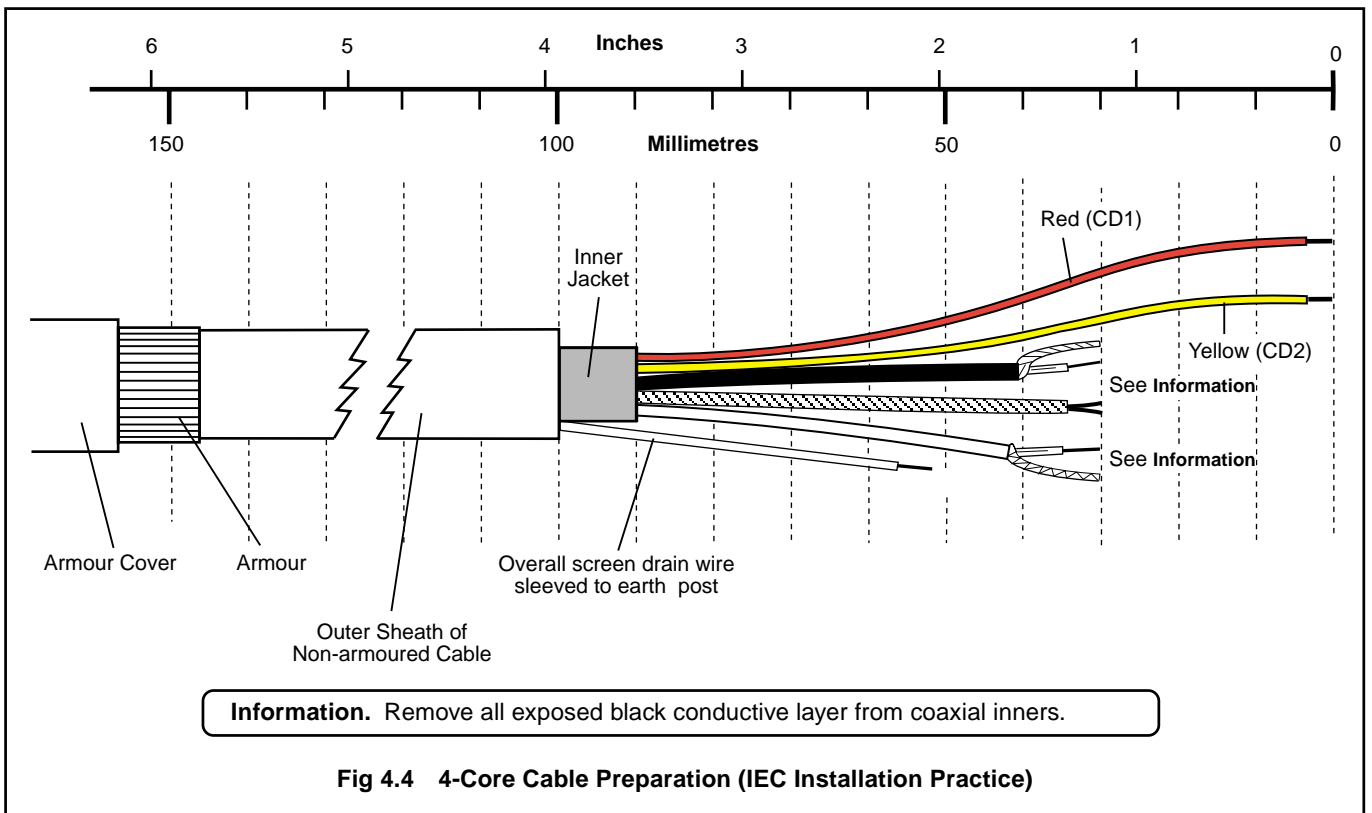


4.2 Cable Types and Preparation

4.2.1 Cable Type Identification (IEC Installation Practice) – Fig. 4.3



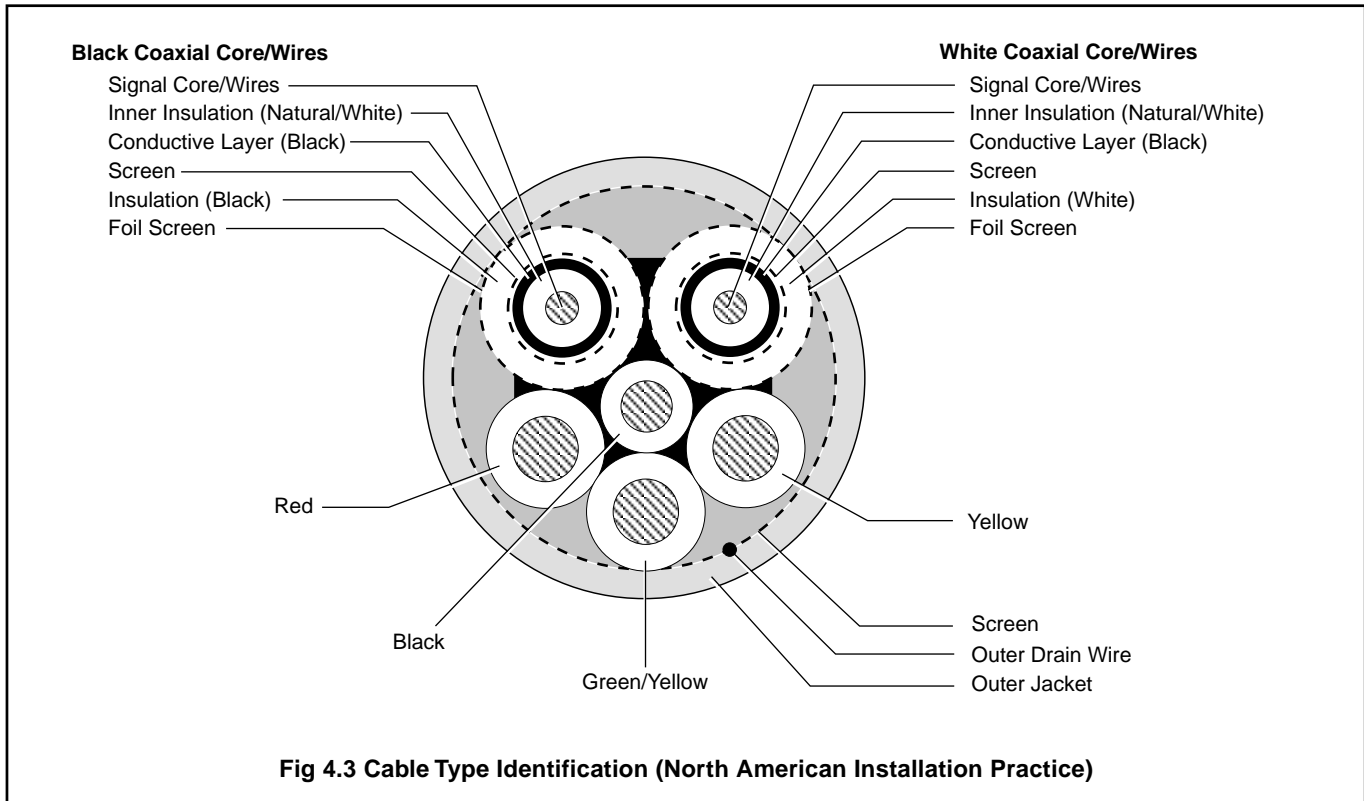
4.2.2 Cable Preparation (IEC Installation Practice) – Fig. 4.4



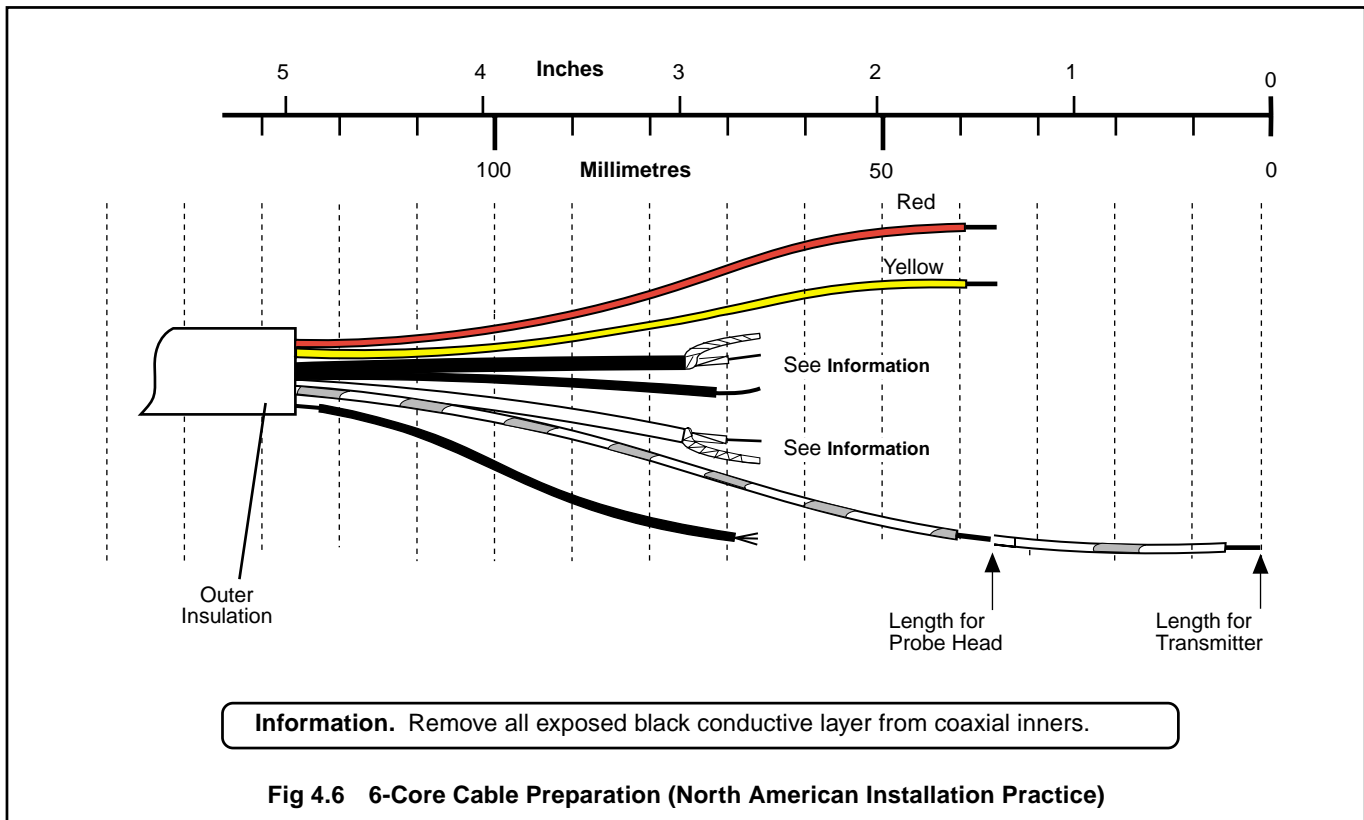
## ...4 ELECTRICAL INSTALLATION

### ...Cable Types and Preparation

#### 4.2.3 Cable Type Identification (North American Installation Practice) – Fig. 4.5

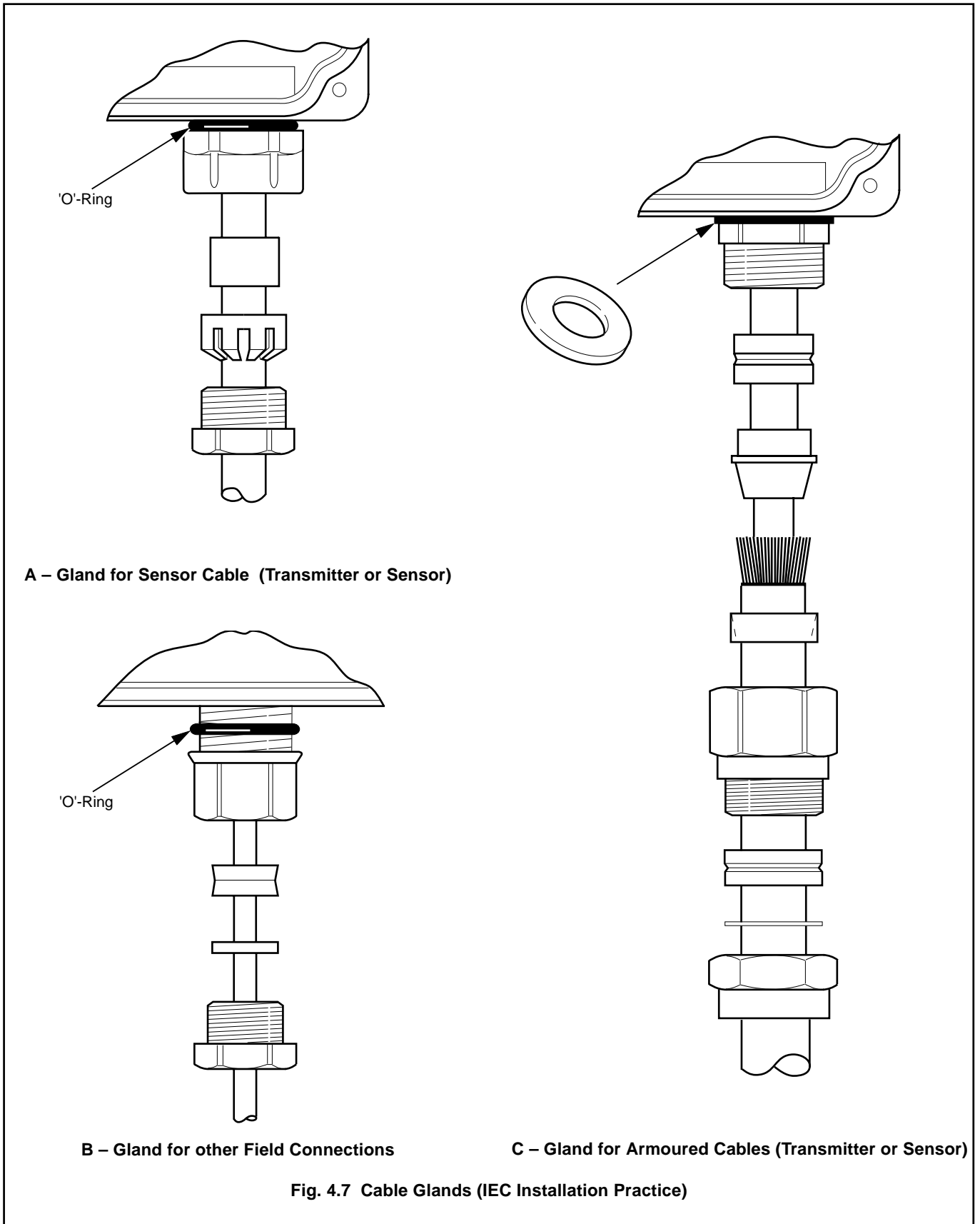


#### 4.2.4 Cable Preparation (North American Installation Practice) – Fig. 4.6



4.3 Cable Glands and Conduit Fixings

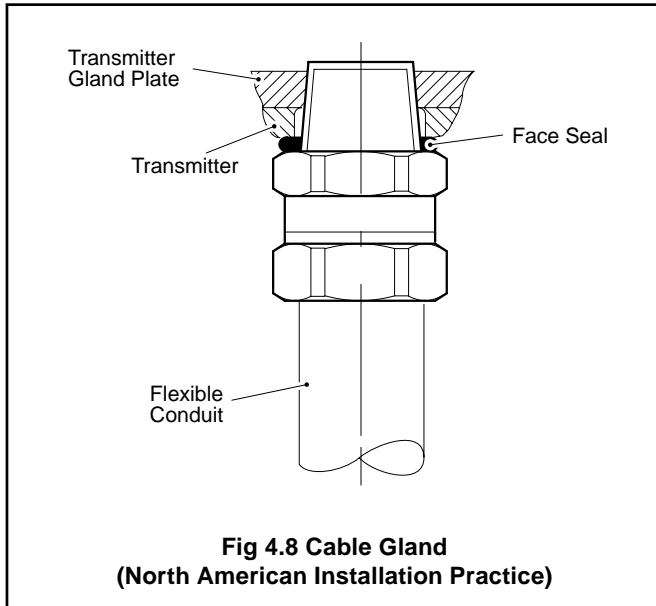
4.3.1 Cable Glands (IEC Installation Practice) – Fig. 4.7



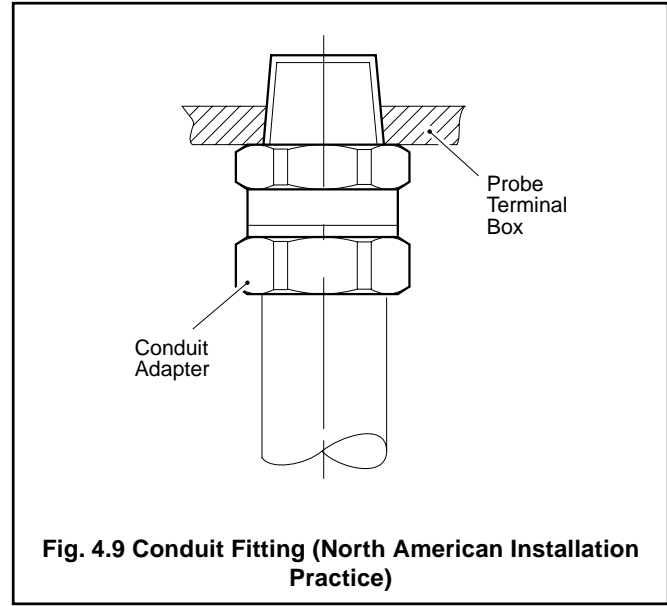
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### ...Cable Glands and Conduit Fixings

#### 4.3.2 Cable Glands (North American Installation Practice) – Fig 4.8



#### 4.3.3 Conduit Fitting (North American Installation Practice) – Fig 4.9



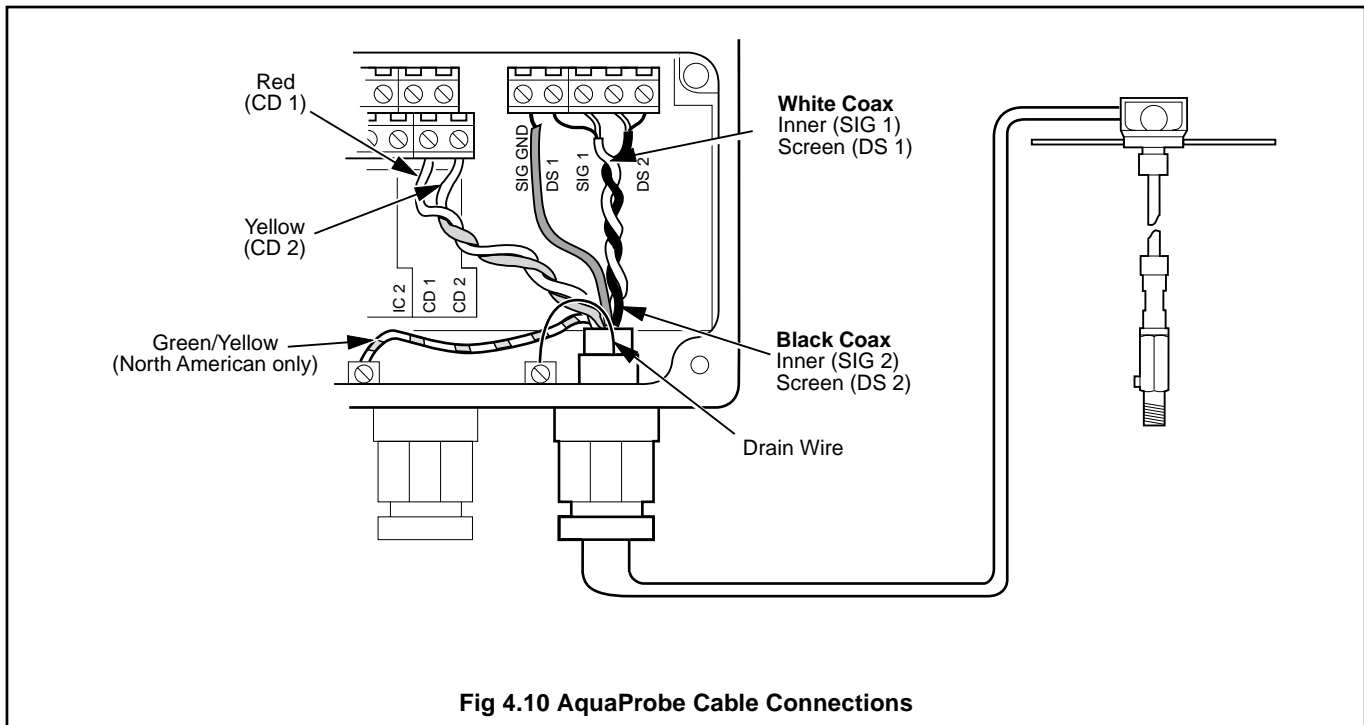
**Note.** Appleton\* ST-50 plus STG-50 or STB-50 plus STG-50 O.Z. Gedney 4Q-50, 4Q50T or 4Q-50TG.

\* Appleton adaptors are not reusable without the use of a replacement ferrule (STF-50).

Always fit NEW face seals with any of the above adaptors.

### 4.4 Transmitter Connections

#### 4.4.1 AquaProbe Cable – Fig 4.10





...Transmitter Connections

4.4.2 Contact Inputs – Fig. 4.11

**Information.** The inputs can be programmed for different functions – refer to the MagMaster Configuration Manual.

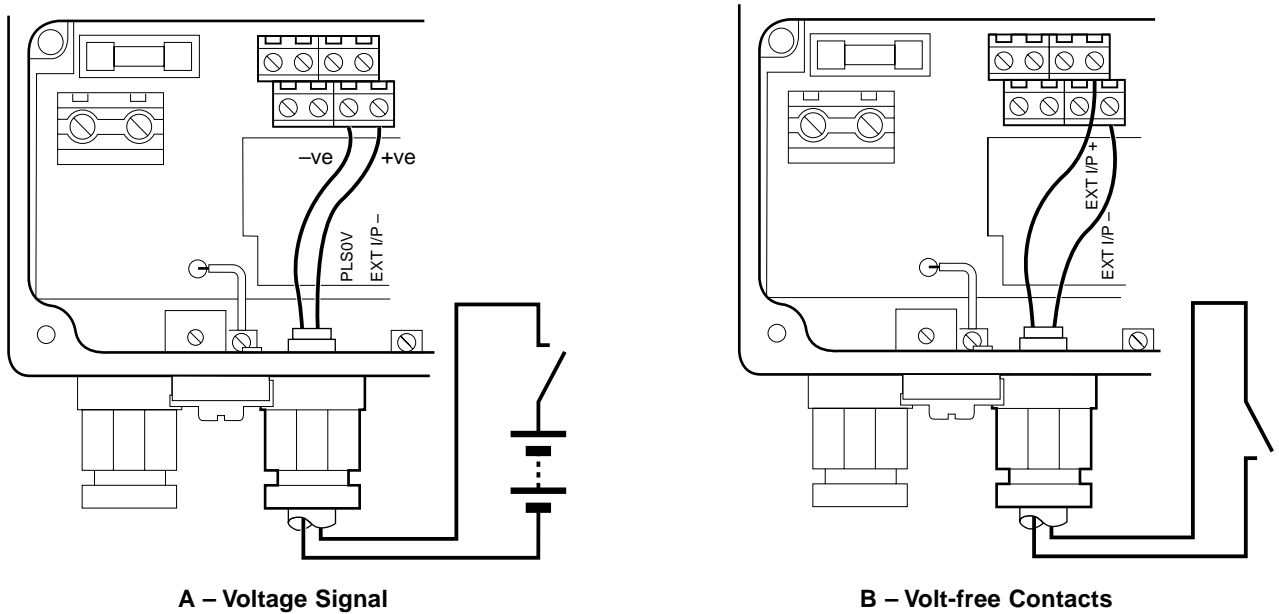


Fig 4.11 Contact Inputs

4.4.3 Alarm Outputs – Fig. 4.12

**Information.** Relay, lamp, electromagnetic counter or other suitable electronic device.

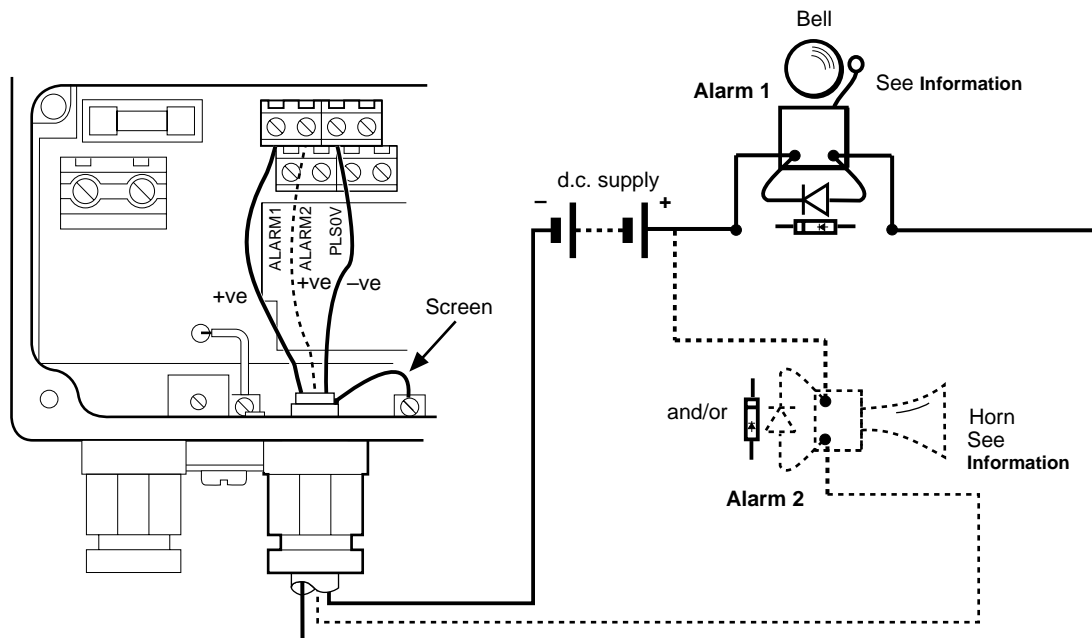
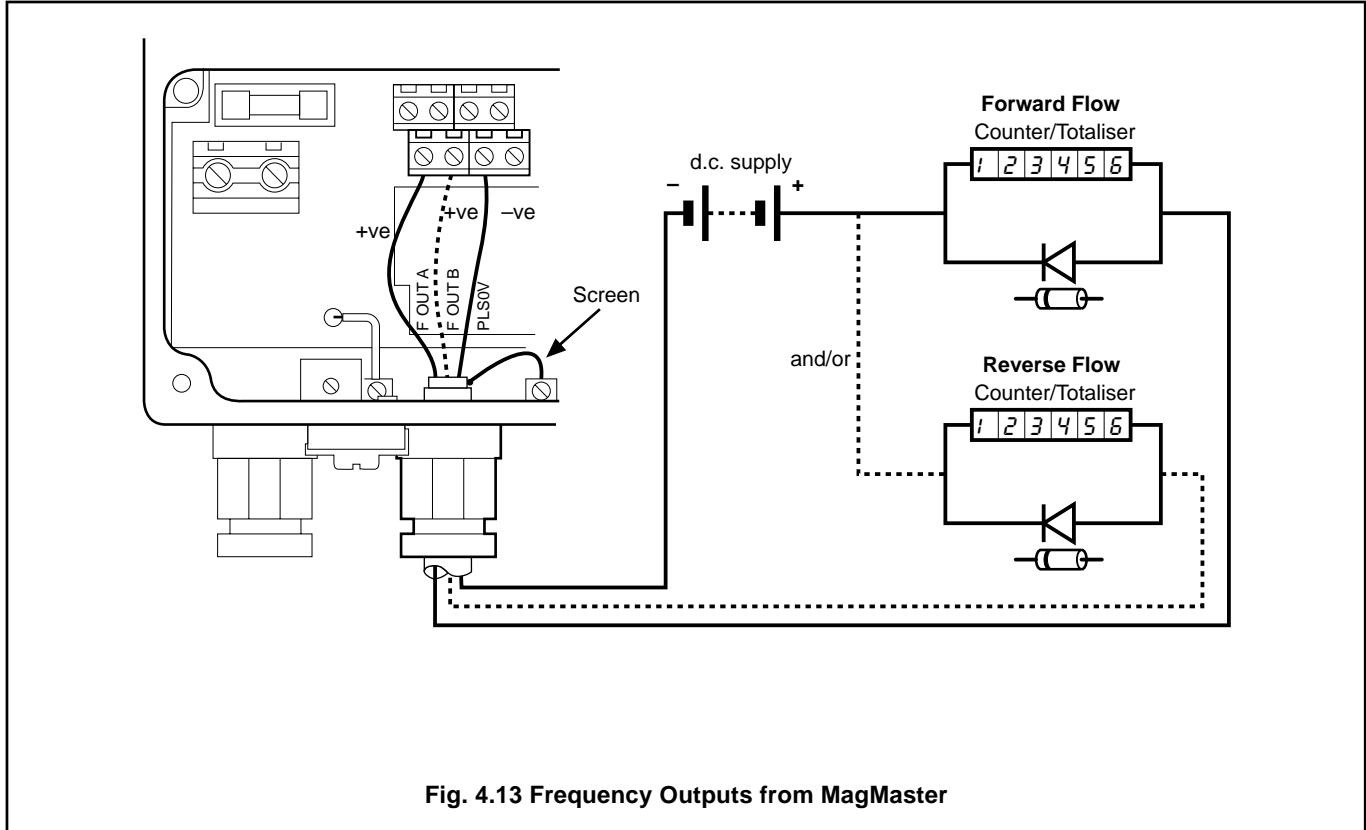


Fig 4.12 Alarm Outputs from MagMaster

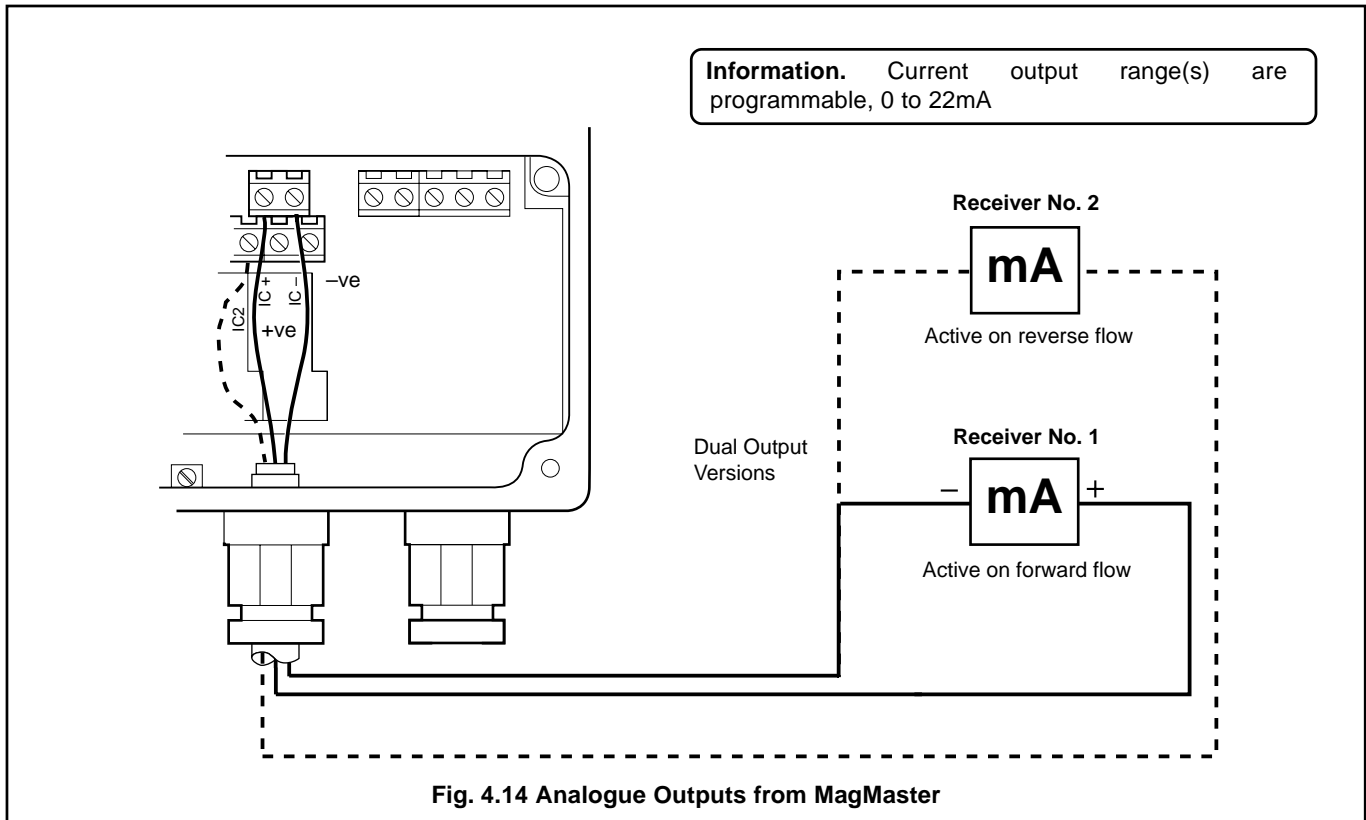
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#### 4.4.4 Frequency Outputs – Fig. 4.13

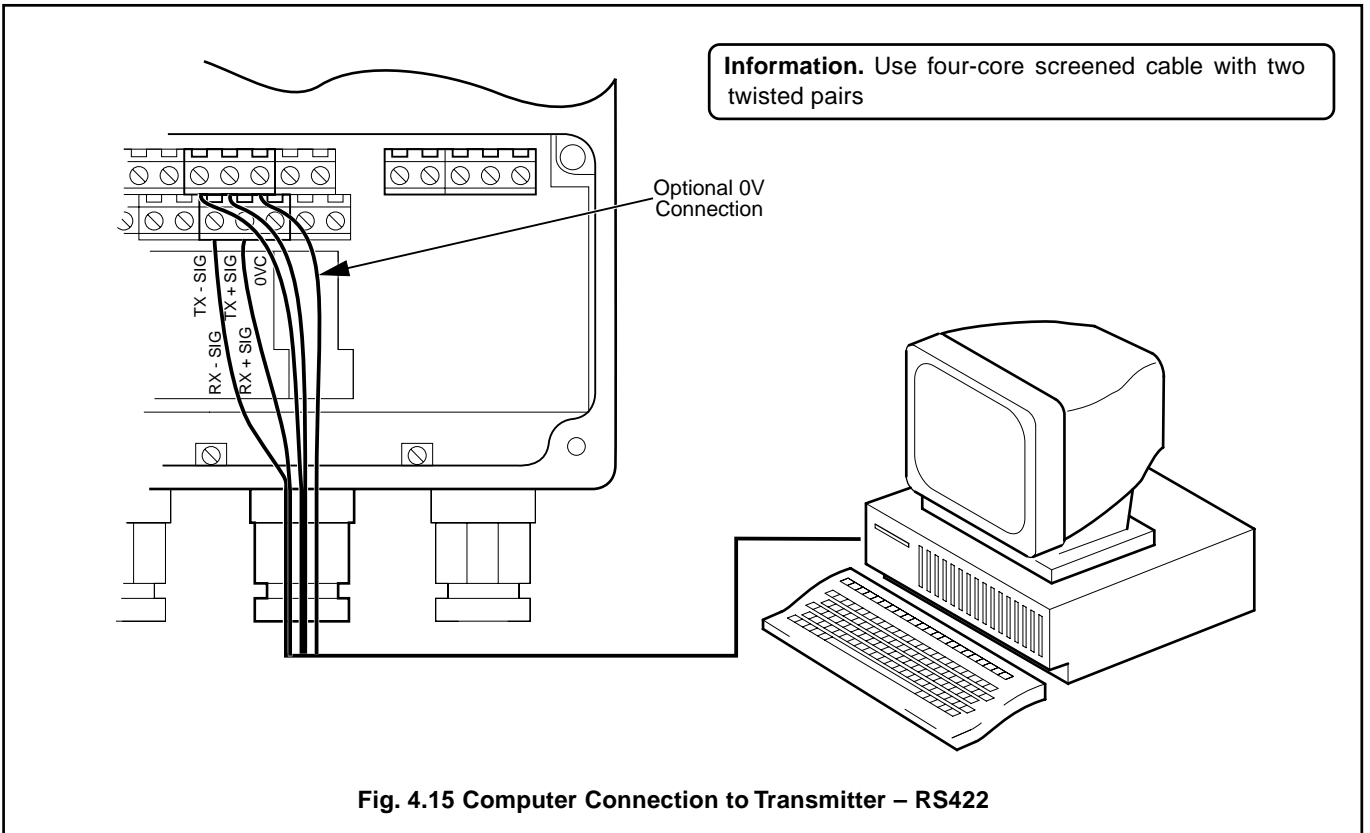


#### 4.4.5 Analogue Outputs – Fig. 4.14

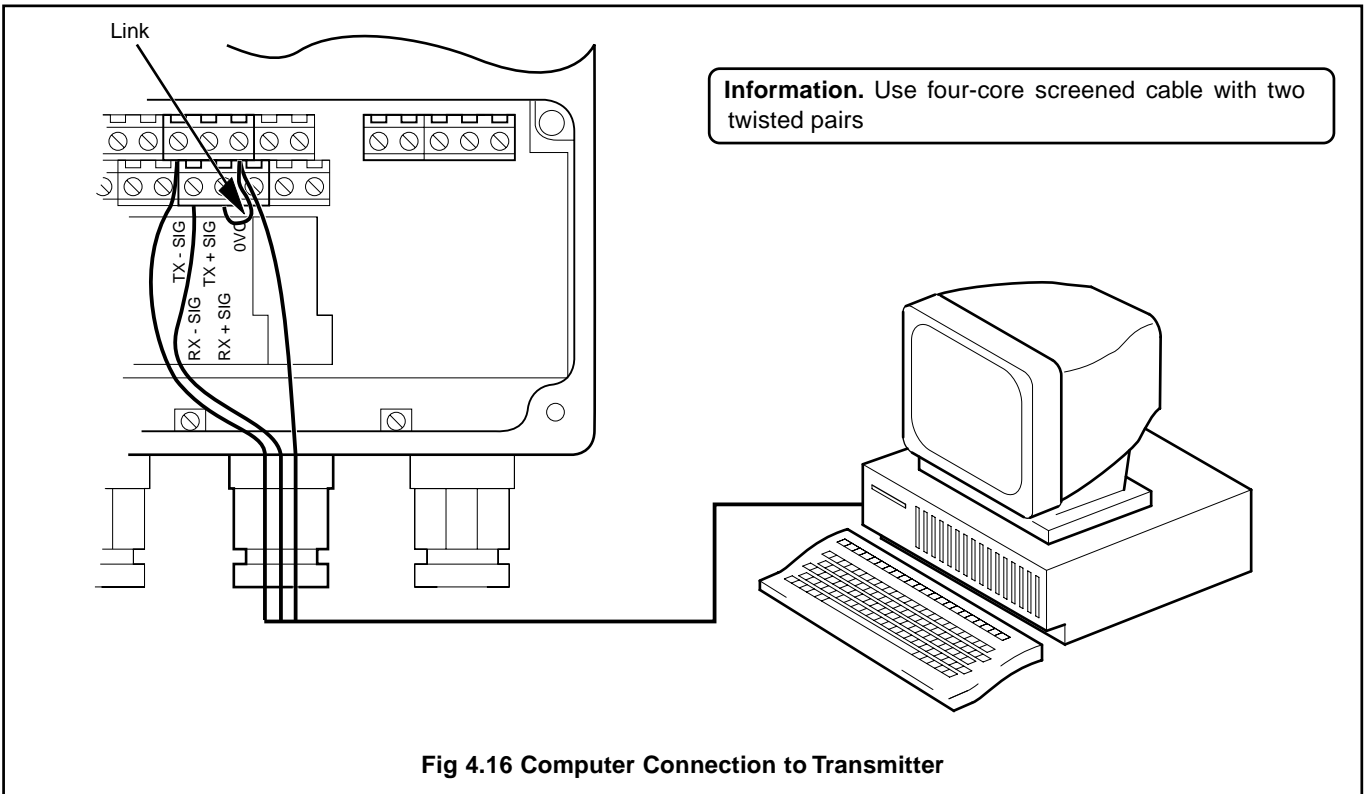


...Transmitter Connections

4.4.6 Computer Connection (RS422) – Fig. 4.13



4.4.7 Computer Connection (Single Ended or RS232 Connection) – Fig. 4.16



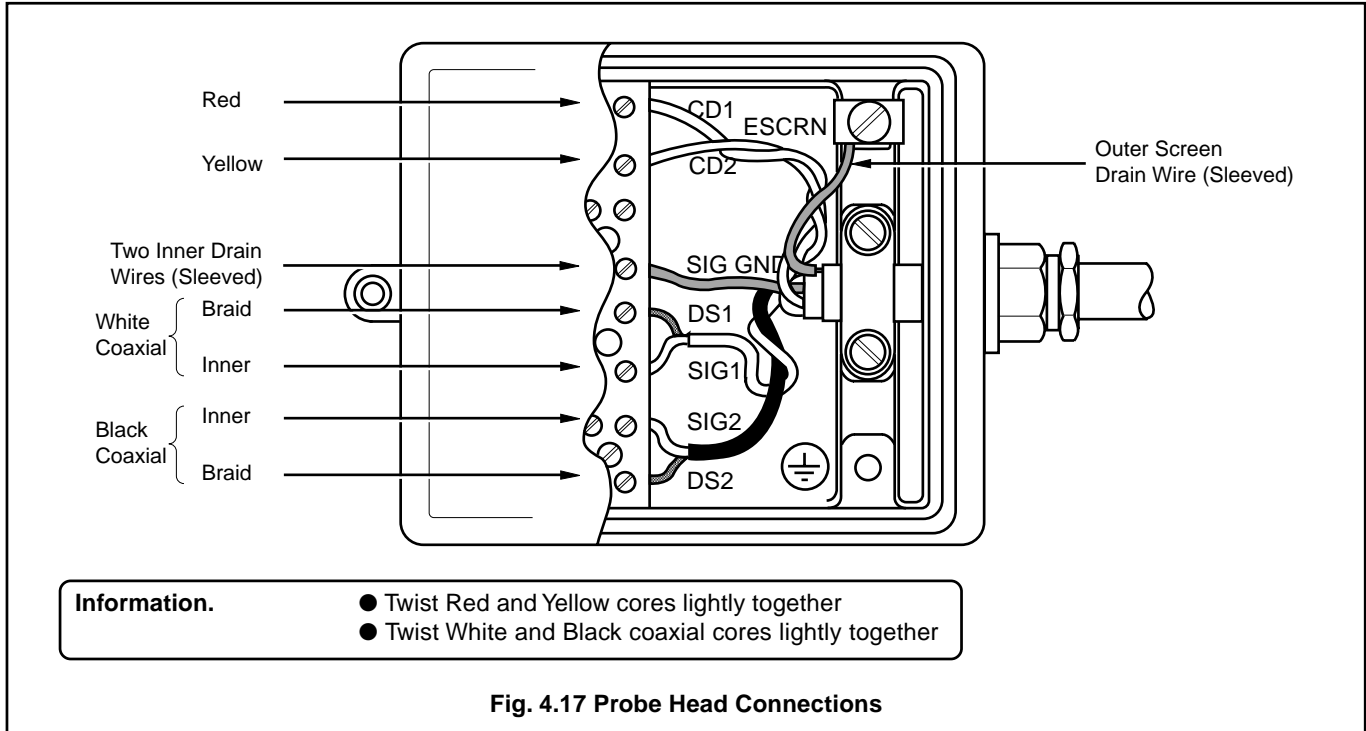
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### 4.5 Probe Head Connections

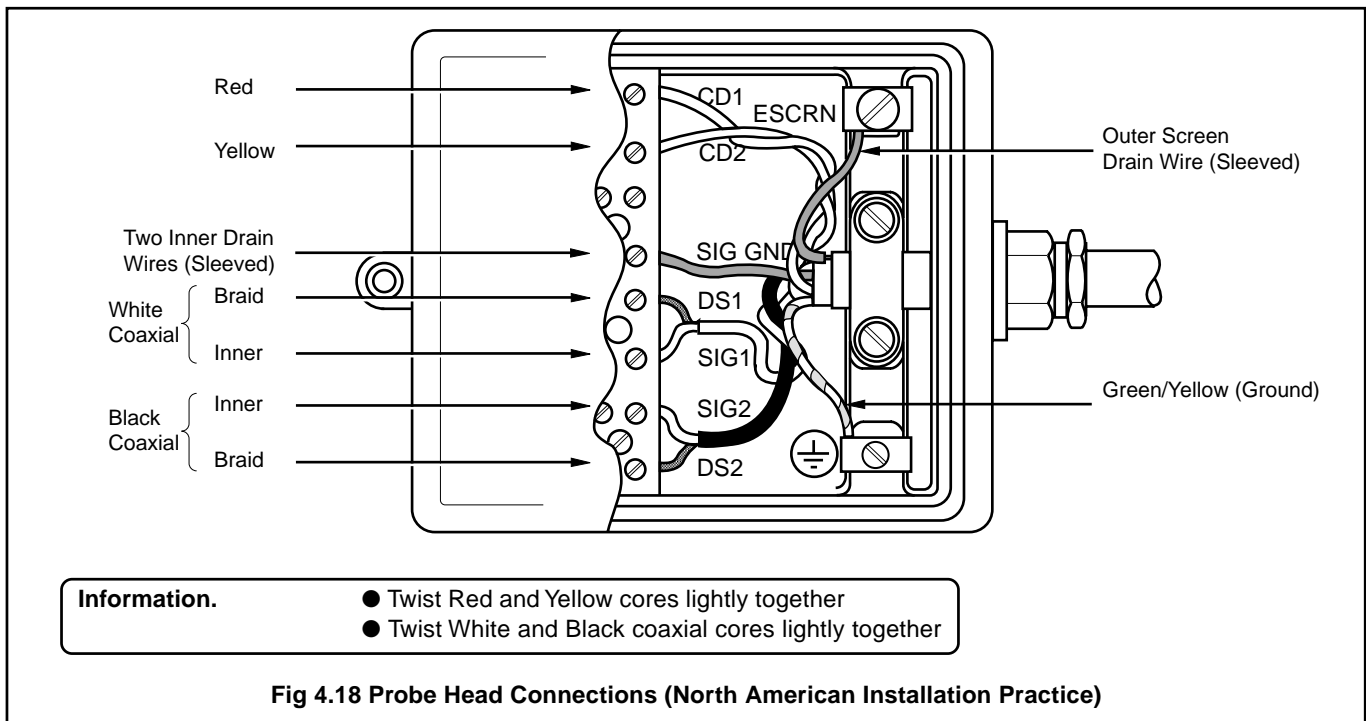
**Caution.** The probe head connections must be potted immediately on completion, to prevent ingress of moisture – refer to Appendix A2 for full procedure.

The cable must be prepared as shown in Fig. 4.4 or 4.6, as applicable. Sleeve all bare wiring and remove the black conductive layer from under the coaxial braids.

#### 4.5.1 IEC Installation Practice – Fig 4.17



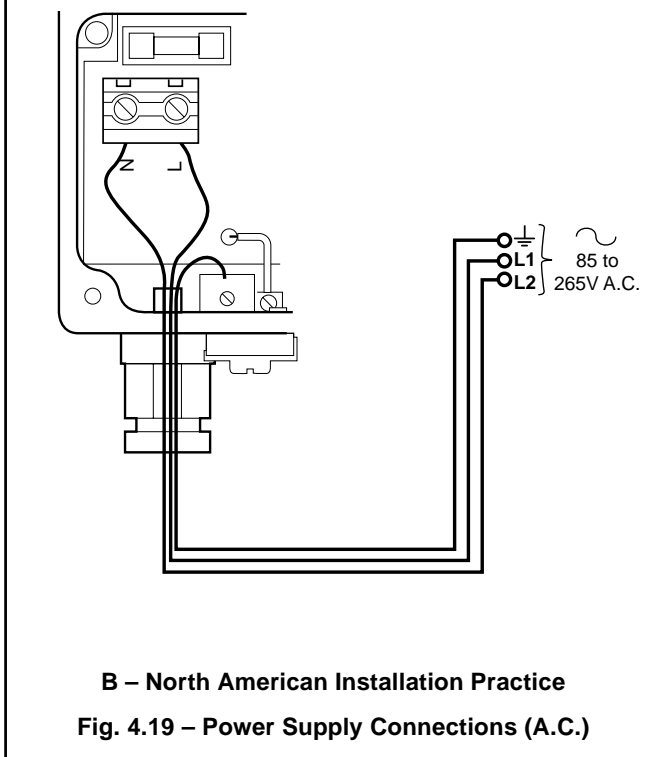
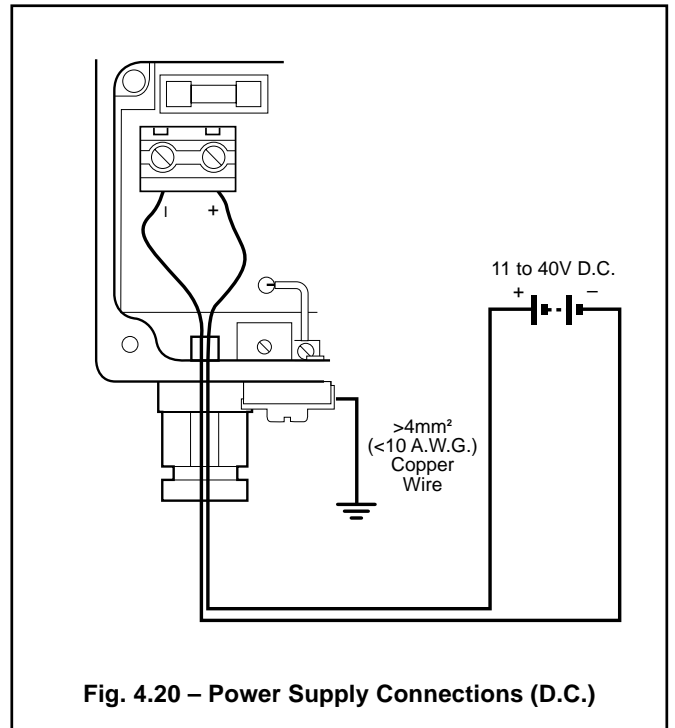
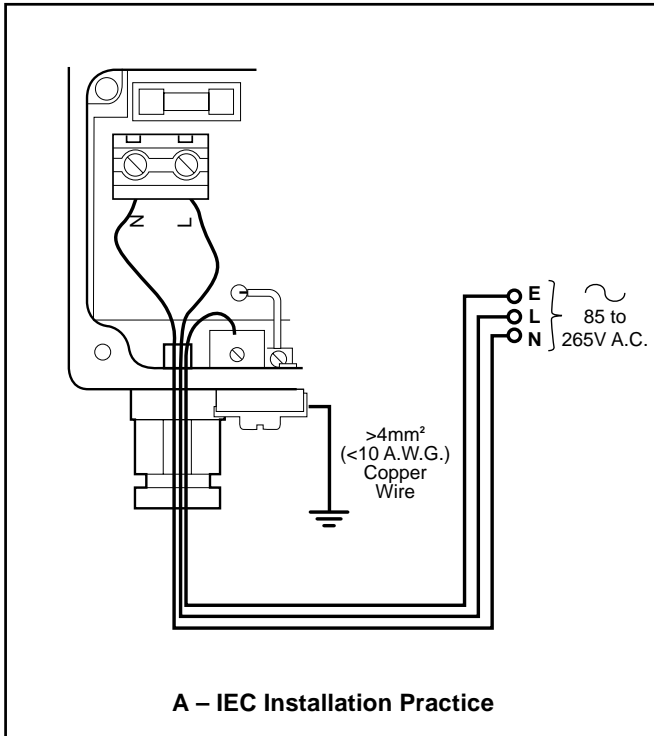
#### 4.5.2 North American Installation Practice – 4.18



4.6 Grounding

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

4.7 Power Supply Connections – Figs. 4.19 and 4.20



## 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 <sub>i</sub>	=	insertion factor
F <sub>p</sub>	=	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.

### 5.2 Centre Line Method

- Determine the internal diameter D of the pipe, in millimetres, by the most accurate method available.

**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

- Determine the profile factor F<sub>p</sub> from Fig. 5.1.

- 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 ( $\frac{1}{8}$ Diameter)

- Determine the internal diameter D of the pipe, in millimetres, by the most accurate method available.

**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 profile factor F<sub>p</sub> of 1 must be used.

- 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):

$$F_p = 1$$

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

$$F_i = 1.074$$

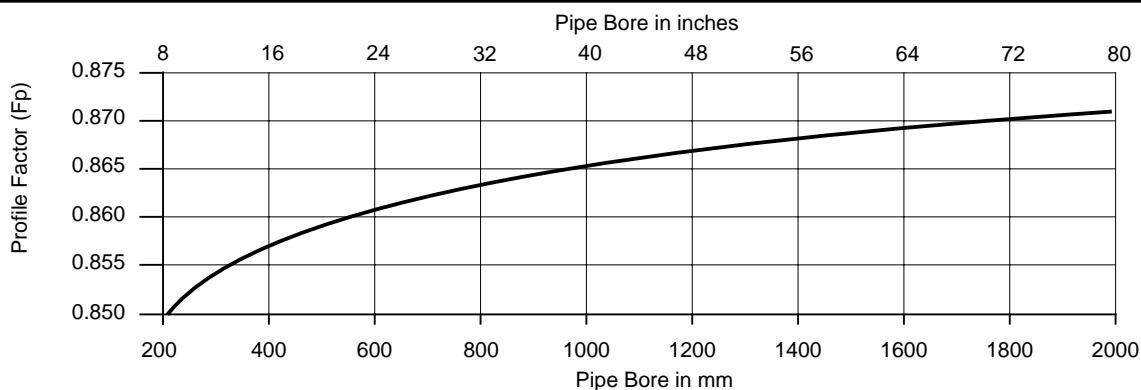
### 5.4 Partial Velocity Traverse

Refer to the Appendix A1 for procedure.

### 5.5 Transmitter Set-up

For full programming details refer to the MagMaster Transmitter Configuration Manual. Refer to the **Parameter Tree Structure** (Appendix B in the Configuration Manual) and proceed as follows.

- Enter the internal diameter D in parameter B3 'Snsr Size'
- Enter the value of F<sub>i</sub> in parameter 461 'Flow Probe Ins'
- Enter the value of F<sub>p</sub> in parameter 462 'Flow Probe Prof'



**Fig. 5.1 Profile Factor v Velocity for Pipe Sizes 200 to 2000mm (8 to 78in.)**

## 6 OPERATION

### 6.1 Start-up – Fig. 6.1

Switch on the power supply and, if a MagMaster Transmitter with display has been ordered, the flow rate is displayed on the lower display line.

**Note.** If using a MagMaster Transmitter without a display refer to the MagMaster Configuration Manual (IM/MAGMAS-CM).

### 6.2 Upper Display Line – Fig. 6.1

Repeated application of the wand to the left hand icon in the transmitter display area steps the upper display through the following sequence:

- > – forward flow total value
- < – reverse flow total value
- \* – nett flow (total value)
- Alm CLR – if no alarms are activated
- Vel – Velocity
- % – % full scale flow

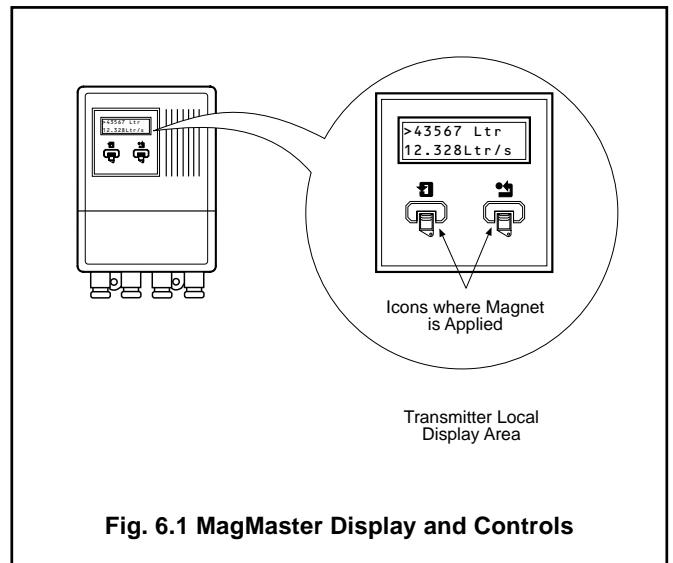
Any additional alarms are displayed sequentially.

### 6.3 Lower Display Line – Fig. 6.1

The lower display line normally indicates flow rate in the chosen units. If an alarm is active the display alternates between the alarm indication signal and the flow rate. For full details of alarm indication signals refer to Section 7.2.

### 6.4 Resetting the Flow Total – Fig. 6.1

application of wand to the right hand icon resets the flow total if parameter "Tot CLR En" (parameter 73), is set to '1' – see MagMaster Configuration Manual.



## 7 FAULT FINDING

### 7.1 Basic Fault Finding

If the MagMaster fails to operate, check the connections, power supply and fuse (located in the terminal compartment). If necessary, replace the fuse with one of the correct rating (500mA, T Type).

### 7.2 Alarm Indication Signals – Table 7.1

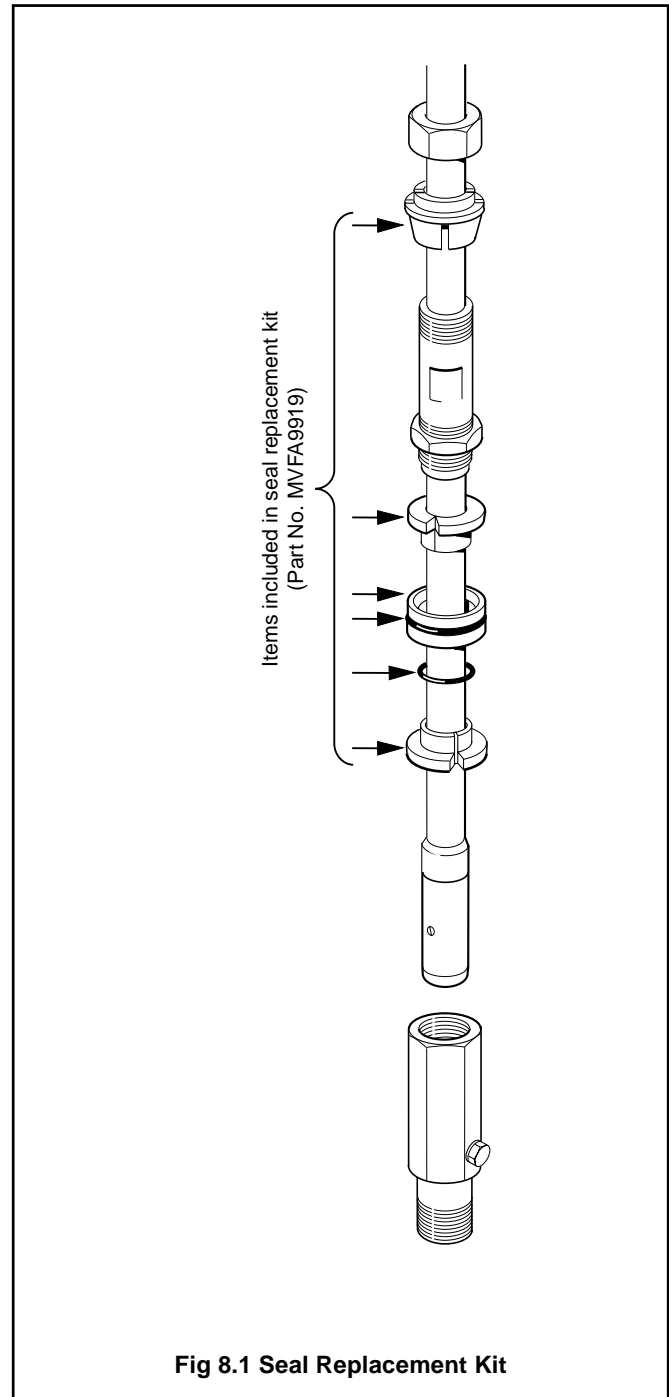
The MagMaster Transmitter has built-in diagnostics for the alarm conditions detailed below.

Display	Alarm
M t s n s r	Empty Sensor
H i	High flow
L o	Low flow
A n l g	Analogue over range
P l s	Pulse frequency limited
C o i l	Sensor Coil open circuit
19, 20, 21	Refer to MagMaster Configuration Manual

Table 7.1 MagMaster Diagnostic Messages

## 8 SPARES

### 8.1 Replacement Parts – Fig. 8.1





# 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  $F_i =$  .
- 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 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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