256 Pneumatic Indicator

The 256 pneumatic indicator is used to activate and read pneumatic piezometers, total pressure cells, and settlement cells. The indicator employs top quality components and is constructed to withstand many years of hard use.

Overview of Operation

Before leaving for the site, check that the indicator’s tank is charged with gas. The built-in tank holds enough gas for busy reading schedules. On site, set the pressure regulator. Proper regulation results in lower gas consumption and prevents damage to the pressure gauge. Connect transducer tubing to the indicator using the included jumper tubing.

Turn on the gas to activate the transducer. Gas flows down through the tubing to the transducer. Wait for the return-flow indicator to show a return flow of gas, then shut off the gas or use the precision flow-rate valve and flowmeter to slow the flow of gas.

Wait for the pressure reading on the main gauge to stabilize, then write down the reading. Take a second reading for verification, then disconnect and move to the next transducer.

Advantages

Choice of Pressure Gauges: Both digital and analog gauges are available. See the list of pressure gauges on the next page.

Precision Flowmeter: Use the precision flowmeter when reading with flow or when pressuring long lines.

High Quality Components: The 256 Indicator is built for hard and long use. It employs the best quality tube fittings, tubing, valves, gauges, and tank.
**INDICATOR SPECIFICATIONS**

**Pressure Gauge:** 0.25% analog gauge or 0.25% digital gauge. Digital gauge uses two 9 volt batteries.

**Working Range:** 1000 kPa (145 psi). Standard regular outputs a maximum pressure of 1030 kPa (150 psi).

**Internal Tank:** 1.38 liter (84 in³), rated for 1390 MPa (2015 psi). Recommended gas is dry nitrogen, 3 ppm H₂O maximum.

**Precision Flowmeter:** The flowmeter provides a repeatability of ±0.5% FS and is pressure rated for 1.7 MPa (250 psi). It is graduated in millimeters. When reading with flow, the recommended setting is a flowrate of 30 mm, which is equivalent to 0.1 SCFH or 47 cc/min.

**Filler Hose:** For filling tank from external nitrogen bottle. 2 m hose (7’) with quick-connect fitting for indicator and screw-on fitting for external bottle.

**Jumper Tubing:** Connects indicator to terminal panel or to transducer tubing. 2 m jumper (7’) with quick-connect fittings at each end. Twin-tube or triple-tube jumper is supplied, depending which options are ordered.

**Weight:** About 11 kg (24 lb) including full tank and jumper hose. Exact weight depends on pressure gauge.

**Size:** 508 x 457 x 178 mm (20 x 18 x 7”).

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**256 INDICATOR**

With 0.25% Analog Gauge . . . . . . . . . . . . 51425601
With 0.25% Digital Gauge . . . . . . . . . . . . 51425602

Twin-tube indicator includes pressure gauge, precision flowmeter, filler hose, twin-tube jumper, and manual.

Please specify range and units for pressure gauge. See choices. Indicators shipped by air have empty tank.

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