



Differential pressure switches

306
386

- Very low ranges ● Good repeatability ●
- Set point adjuster with locking device ●
- Weatherproof or flameproof housing ● Robust design ●



Style 306 in GM weatherproof enclosure

Series 300 Pressure Difference Switches are designed and made to the latest standards to comply with current international philosophy of process instrumentation. The series is compact, easy to install and features high sensitivity over the entire adjustable range together with high static

pressure capability. The sensing element is mounted external to the switch mechanisms which are of stainless steel for arduous atmospheres and high humidity. Enclosures, sensing element and switching modes can be combined to offer the variety needed to suit the different applications.

General specifications

Enclosure		Repeatability	± 1% FSR <i>(Note 4)</i>
GM	GM style aluminium pressure die cast, weatherproof to IP67	Scale Accuracy	± 5% FSR <i>(Note 6)</i>
GA4	GA style 304 stainless steel casting, weatherproof to IP66	Switching Element	Instrument quality SPDT microswitch <i>(Notes 10 & 11)</i>
GA6	GA style 316 stainless steel casting, weatherproof to IP66	Switching Differential	Fixed; refer Tables A, B & C.
GK	GK style aluminium pressure die cast, weatherproof to IP66 and flameproof to group IIC as per IS/IEC 60079 <i>(Note 1)</i>	Max. Working Pressure	Refer Table-4
GR	GR style aluminium pressure die cast, weatherproof to IP66 and flameproof to Gr.IIC <i>(Note 1)</i>	Ambient Temperature	(-)25°C to (+)60°C
Ranges	Several standard ranges between (-)0.6 mbar to 4 bar	Max. Process Temp.	110°C For higher temperatures use longer impulse lines <i>(Note 15)</i>
Sensor	Nitrile Diaphragm	Process Connection	1/4" NPTF Std. Others through Adaptor
Wetted Parts	Aluminium std. Optional – 304 SS / 316 SS for model 306	Electrical Connection	1/2" NPTF standard Dual entry on request
		Mounting	Back panel/wall/Field. Vertical position only
		Conformity	Generally to BS 6134:1991

Ordering matrix

ENCLOSURE

GM style aluminium pressure die cast, weatherproof to IP67	GM
GA style 304 stainless steel casting, weatherproof to IP66	GA4
GA style 316 stainless steel casting, weatherproof to IP66	GA6
GK style aluminium pressure die cast, weatherproof to IP66 and flameproof to group IIC as per IS/IEC 60079	GK
GR style aluminium pressure die cast, weatherproof to IP66 and flameproof to group IIC as per IS/IEC 60079	GR

MODEL

Basic differential pressure switch having fixed non-adjustable switching differential actuated by a non-metallic diaphragm.	306
A variant of series 306, employs twin levers each operating a SPDT microswitch actuated by a single sensor through a unique linkage thereby providing two independent adjustable set points, each with its own setting scale, spring and switch. Minimum separation between setpoints must be more than sum of on-off differentials or 10% of FSR whichever is higher. (Not available with GR enclosure)	386

SENSOR AND WETTED PARTS

Nitrile diaphragm with Aluminium wetted parts	B5
Nitrile diaphragm with 304 SS wetted parts in Model 306	B4
Nitrile diaphragm with 316 SS wetted parts in Model 306	B2
EPDM diaphragm with 304 SS wetted parts (available only in range code W161, W162 & W163)	E4
EPDM diaphragm with 316 SS wetted parts (available only in range code W161, W162 & W163)	E2

RANGE CODE

Refer Table-1

SWITCH CODE AND RATING

Refer Table-2

ELECTRICAL ENTRY CODE

Refer Table-3

OPTIONS

Ammonia service (available only with E4 and E2, EPDM 'O' ring mandatory)	SA
Blow out disc	S8
Seal 'O' ring – EPDM (MWT 130°C, available in E4 and E2 only)	OE
Optional scale accuracy $\pm 2\%$ (not available in GR)	S10
CE conformity (not applicable for GR enclosure)	CE

Table-1 : RANGE CODE & AVAILABILITY

RANGE CODE	RANGE	306	386
B3D	(-)2.5 to (+)2.5 mbar	✓	✗
B6D	0 to 5 mbar	✓	✗
C6D	3 to 25 mbar	✓	✗
E1D	5 to 120 mbar	✓	✓
E8D	50 to 350 mbar	✓	✓
G5B	0.1 to 1.5 bar	✓	✓
J0B	0.2 to 4 bar	✓	✓
W161 *	(-)30 to 150 mmWC	✓	✗
W162 *	(-)120 to (+)120 mmWC	✓	✗
W163 *	(-)40 to 10 mmWC	✓	✗

* Available only with E4 and E2 wetted parts with 'D' and 'DD' code micro switches in GM / GA enclosures only.

Table-2 : SWITCH CODE, RATING & AVAILABILITY

SWITCH CODE (SPDT)	AC RATING	DC RATING IN AMPS						AVAILABILITY OF SPDT IN MODELS	AVAILABILITY OF DPDT IN MODELS
		RESISTIVE			INDUCTIVE				
		220V	110V	24V	220V	110V	24V		
D	15A 250 / 125V	0.2	0.4	2.0	0.02	0.03	1.0	306 & 386	306
3	15A 250 / 125V	N.R.	N.R.	N.R.	N.R.	N.R.	N.R.	306 & 386	306
5	5A 250 / 125V	0.2	0.4	4.0	0.2	0.4	3.0	306	306
J	5A 250V	N.A.	N.A.	5.0	N.A.	N.A.	3.0	306	306
K	1A 125V	N.A.	N.A.	1.0	N.A.	N.A.	0.5	306	306
9	1A115V; 400 Hz	N.A.	N.A.	3.0	N.A.	N.A.	1.0	306	306
G	N.R.	N.R.	N.R.	1.0	N.R.	N.R.	0.25	306	306
<div><div>Codes 3 & D – For General purpose usages. Code 5 – For General purpose withDC rating. Code J – Argon sealed micro switch with silver contact. Code K – Argon sealed micro switch with gold contact.</div><div>Code 9 – Hermetically sealed, inert gas filled with silver alloy contact. Code G – Hermetically sealed, inert gas filled with gold plated contact.</div></div>									
For DPDT, change switch code '3' to "33", '5' to '55', etc., while ordering									

Table 3 : ELECTRICAL ENTRY CODE

Size *	Single Entry		Dual Entry	
	GM / GA	GK / GR	GM / GA	GK / GR
1/2" NPTF	B	B	N	N
3/4" NPTF **	C	---	O	---
M20 × 1.5 **	D	D	P	P
Through Connector				
7 pin plug #	3	---	---	---
9 pin plug #	4	---	---	---

* Cable gland available on request.
** Cable entry is optional through adaptor.
Available only in GM enclosure.

Table 4 : MAXIMUM WORKING PRESSURE RATING

Range Codes	Wetted Parts	MWP (bar)
B3D, B6D, C6D	Aluminium	1
E1D, E8D, G5B, J0B	Aluminium	15
B3D, B6D, C6D E1D, E8D, G5B, J0B	304 / 316 SS	15
W161	E4 / E2	15
W162, W163	E4 / E2	7

Switching differential data

TABLE : A — GM / GA Enclosures

Range Code	Range	On-off Differential in mbar					
		Fixed					
		Models 306					Model 386
		3	D	5	J / K	9 / G	D / 3
B3D	(-)2.5 to (+)2.5 mbar	0.8	0.9	1.5	---	---	---
B6D	0 to 5 mbar	0.4	0.6	1.4	---	1.0	---
C6D	3 to 25 mbar	0.8	**	**	---	**	---
E1D	5 to 120 mbar	12	12	12	---	30	30
E8D	50 to 350 mbar	20	20	25	60	45	60
G5B	0.1 to 1.5 bar	70	70	90	250	135	150
J0B	0.2 to 4 bar	250	300	600	700	675	500
W161	-30 to 150 mmWC	---	1	---	---	---	---
W162	-120 to +120 mmWC	---	1	---	---	---	---
W163	-40 to 10 mmWC	---	1.2	---	---	---	---

● Multiply values in **Table-A** by 1.3 for DPDT (2 × SPDT) switching.

** For on-off differential values please consult factory.

TABLE : B — GK Enclosure

Range Code	Range	On-off Differential in mbar					
		Fixed					
		Models 306					Model 386
		3	D	5	J / K	9 / G	D / 3
B3D	(-)2.5 to (+)2.5 mbar	1.4	1.6	2.5	---	---	---
B6D	0 to 5 mbar	0.8	1.0	2.4	---	1.7	---
C6D	3 to 25 mbar	1.0	**	**	---	**	---
E1D	5 to 120 mbar	20	20	16	---	50	40
E8D	50 to 350 mbar	35	35	40	100	75	85
G5B	0.1 to 1.5 bar	120	120	150	425	230	240
J0B	0.2 to 4 bar	425	500	800	1200	1145	680

● Multiply values in **Table-B** by 1.2 for DPDT (2 × SPDT) switching.

** For on-off differential values please consult factory.

TABLE : C — GR Enclosure

Range Code	Range	On-off Differential in mbar			
		Model 306			
		D / 3	5	J / K	9 / G
B6D	0 to 5 mbar	0.7	2.0	1.4	1.4
C6D	3 to 25 mbar	1.0	**	**	**
E1D	5 to 120 mbar	16	15	35	35
E8D	50 to 350 mbar	25	35	60	60
G5B	0.1 to 1.5 bar	100	130	190	190
J0B	0.2 to 4 bar	375	700	1000	1000

● Multiply values in **Table-C** by 1.3 for DPDT (2 × SPDT) switching.

** For on-off differential values please consult factory.

Notes

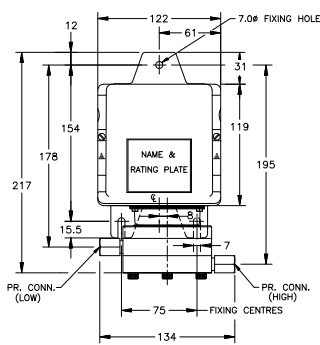
1. Gr.IIC of IS/IEC 60079–1 is equivalent to NEC CL.1, DIV.1, Gr.A & B.
2. Style GM/GA is weatherproof only if all entries and joint faces are properly sealed. Style GK/GR is weatherproof only if cover 'O' ring is retained in position and flameproof only if proper FLP cable gland is used. It is recommended to procure cable glands along with style GK/GR instruments to avoid neglect of it during installation.
3. Intrinsic Safety (Exi) — Differential Pressure switches are classified as simple apparatus as they neither generate nor store energy. Hence differential pressure switches in weatherproof (GM / GA) enclosures also may be used in intrinsically safe systems without certification provided the power source is certified Intrinsically Safe. Because of the low voltages and currents it is recommended to use gold contact and / or sealed contacts.
4. Accuracy & Repeatability are not different for all blind differential pressure switches. A shift of $\pm 2\%$ may be observed in setpoint when pressure falls from full static pressure. Settings will also shift with varying temperature.
5. The instrument is calibrated in the mounting position depicted in the drawing. Mounting in any other direction will cause a minor range shift, especially in low and compound ranges. Ranges above 1 bar will not experience this shift.
6. A Differential Pressure switch is a switching device and not a measuring instrument — even though it has a scale with $\pm 5\%$ FSR accuracy to assist setting. For this reason, Test Certificates will not contain individual ON-OFF switching values at different scale readings. Maximum differential obtained alone will be declared, besides other specifications.
7. Select working range of the instrument such that the set value lies in the mid 35% of the range i.e., between 35% and 70% of range span.
8. For switching differential values please refer respective Differential Table. Switching differentials furnished are nominal values under test conditions at mid-scale and will vary with range settings and operating conditions.
9. On and off settings should not exceed the upper or lower range value.
10. DPDT action is achieved by two SPDT switches synchronised to practical limits i.e., $\pm 2\%$ of FSR. Deadband for DPDT contacts are higher than that of SPDT as force required to actuate the contacts are more. Please refer respective differential table.
11. Contact life of microswitches are 5×10^5 switching cycles for nominal load. To quench DC sparks, use diode in parallel with inductance, ensuring polarity. A 'R–C' network is also recommended with 'R' value in Ohms equal to coil resistance and 'C' value in micro Farads equal to holding current in Amps.
12. All differential pressure switches are calibrated by applying pressure to HI port, venting LO port to atmosphere. Inspection will also be limited to such a practice.
13. Ambient temperature range: All models are suitable for operating within a range of ambient temperature from $(-)$ 25°C to $(+)$ 60°C provided the process does not freeze within this range. Below 0°C , precautions should be taken in humid atmospheres to prevent frost formation inside the instrument from jamming the mechanism. Occasional excursions beyond this range are possible but accuracy might be impaired. The microswitch is the limiting factor which should never exceed the limits $(-)$ 50°C to $(+)$ 80°C .
14. Fluid Temperature: A Differential Pressure switch when connected to the process is not subjected to through flow and therefore is not fully exposed to the fluid temperature. Use of adequate length of impulse piping will greatly reduce excessive heating of the sensing element. For example connection of 7.5 cm of 12 mm dia impulse piping will reduce water temperature of 100°C to 65°C at an ambient temperature of 50°C . Ask factory for piping nomogram #441184–4 for different temperatures.
15. Ensure that impulse pipework applies no stress on sensing element housing and use spanners to hold pressure port / housing when connections are made.
16. Custom built instruments are available for special service requirements under Special Engineering Category.
17. For higher static pressures upto 250 bar stainless steel wetted parts, refer to series 301 Differential Pressure Switches.
18. Complementary instrumentation for pressure is available in 200 series.
19. **Accuracy figures are exclusive of test equipment tolerance on the claimed values.**
20. **All performance data are guaranteed to $\pm 5\%$.**

Dimensions in mm

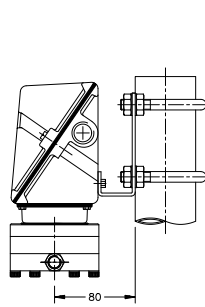
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GM Enclosure

Surface / Wall Mounting

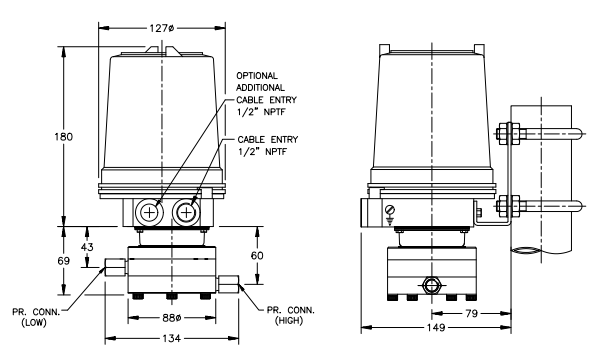


Pipe Mounting



GK Enclosure

Pipe Mounting

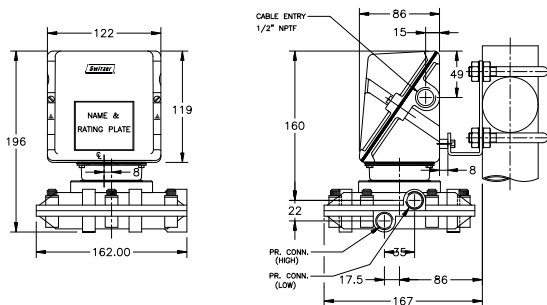


Range Codes : B3D, B6D & C6D

Pipe Mounting

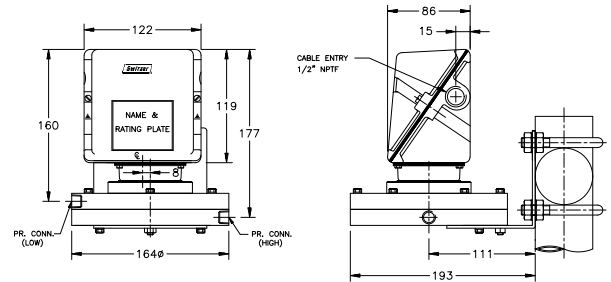
Alu. Diaphragm Housing

GM Enclosure

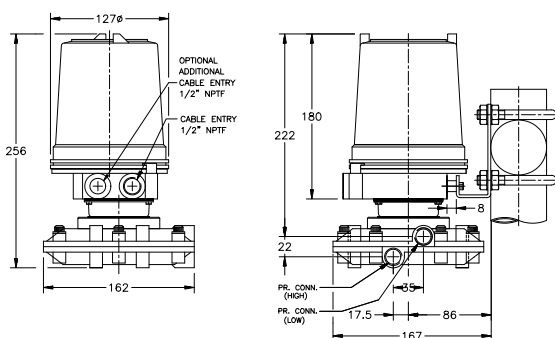


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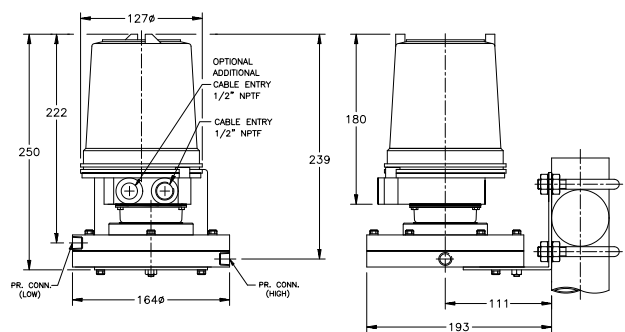
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GK Enclosure



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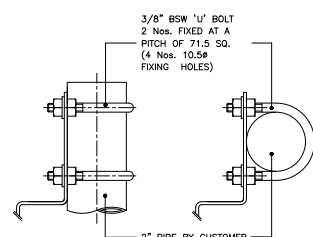


Notes :

1. Dimensions for **Range Code 'B2D'** is different. Ask for applicable drawing.
2. Pipe mounting bracket can be used for surface / wall mounting also.

Use 2x 3/8" x 25 long screws and nuts for **surface mounting** or coach screws for **wall mounting** instead of 'U' bolts and nuts.

2" Pipe Mounting Details



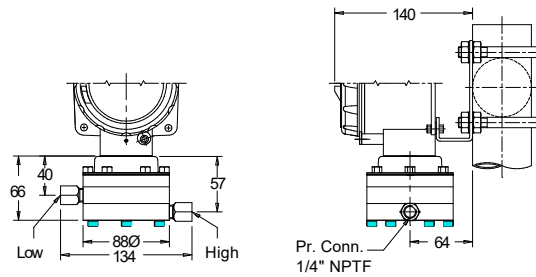
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Vertical Pipe

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Horizontal Pipe

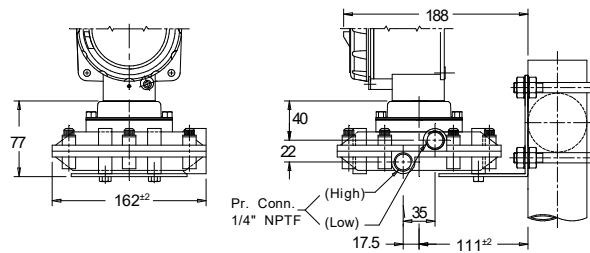
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GR Enclosure

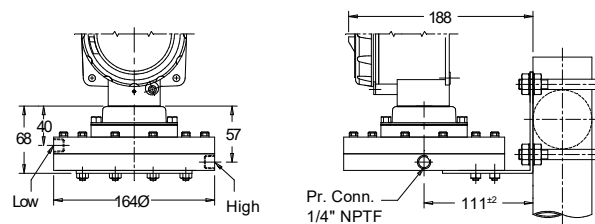
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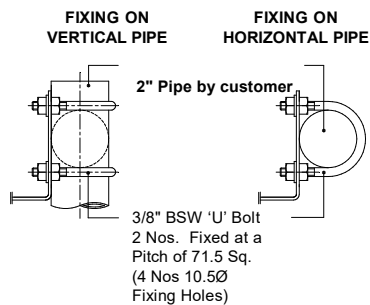
Range Codes : B6D, C6D – Aluminium Housing



Range Codes : B6D, C6D – SS Housing



2" PIPE MOUNTING DETAIL



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