

Viscosity-Compensated Flowmeters and Switches

for viscous liquids



measuring

monitoring

analysing

VKG







- Measuring range:Oil 0.1 0.45 ... 5 80 l/min
- Basic accuracy:±4% of full scale
- p_{max}: 12 bar; t_{max}: 100 °C
- Viscosity range: 1...540 mm²/s
- Connection:G¼...G1 female¼...1" NPT female
- Material: brass, stainless steel



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Description

The KOBOLD flowmeters and switches model VKG have a spring-loaded float, which slides within a cylindrical measuring tube and has an integral orifice which is believed to be unique.

This and other design features means that it has for the first time become possible to create a flowmeter and switch which fully compensates for viscosity and to a large extent for density even with very low flows. The float of these patented devices contain permanent magnets which actuate a potential free bistable reed contact mounted outside the flow thus ensuring hermetic separation between the medium and the electrical contact system. The contact is embedded within a height-adjustable plastic housing to prevent damage to the contacts by mechanical action or aggressive atmospheres.

Viscosity Compensation

If the viscosity changes from 1 mm 2 /s to 540 mm 2 /s the indicated value is still accurate within $\pm 5\,\%$, even with very low flows, for example, 0.1 l/min.

Comparable devices, for instance conventional float-type flowmeters, are, if the viscosity changes to such an extent, subject to indicating errors up to 2500%, especially with comparable low flows. Other instruments with spring-loaded floats, which are allegedly viscosity compensated, still produce indicating errors of more than 500% with the same change in viscosity and a flow of 0.1 l/min.

Thanks to the virtually perfect viscosity compensation and good density compensation the flowmeters and switches of the latest generation are suitable both for water and highly viscous oil, without having to change the scale and without readjustment. This constitutes an extremely important advance especially in the critical area of oil lubrication circuits where measurement and switching are necessary at changing media temperatures.

Applications

- Lubrication circuits
- Paper-making machines
- Machine tools
- Oil lubrication circuits
- Hydraulics
- Extruding plant
- Printing press

Technical Details

Float:

Housing: aluminium, anodised

(not media-contacted)

Screwed fitting: VKG-x1...: brass, nickel-plated

VKG-x2...: stainless steel 1.4301 VKG-x1...: brass, nickel-plated VKG-x2...: stainless steel 1.4301

Orifice: stainless steel 1.4310 Spring: stainless steel 1.4310

Magnet: oxide ceramic
Measuring glass: borosilicate glass
Seals: VKG-x1...: NBR

VKG-x2...: FPM

Max. temperature: +100 °C Max. pressure: 12 bar Installation position: any

Basic accuracy: $\pm 4\%$ of full scale

(for a viscosity of 105 mm²/s)

Measuring error with

change in viscosity: for changes in viscosity within

 $1 \dots 540 \text{ mm}^2\text{/s}$ the additional deviation

is $\pm 5\%$ of full scale maximum

Viscosity range: 1...540 mm²/s

Contacts for VKG-2..., VKG-3..., VKG-4...

Electrical connection: connector DIN EN 175301-803

Electrical switching

values: N/O contact

max. $250V_{AC/DC}/1.5A/100W/100VA$

changeover contact

max. $250V_{AC/DC}/1A/30W/60VA$

N/O contact and

changeover contact (cCSAus) max. 230V_{DC}/0.26A/60W,

 $60V_{DC}/1A/60W$,

max. $240V_{AC}/0.42A/100W$,

 $100 V_{AC} / 1 A / 100 W$

Contacts for VKG-2..., VKG-3..., VKG-4... use in hazardous areas

Mechanics:

The apparatus can be used as follows in explosive atmospheres in accordance with the applicable erection regulations on machines, devices and plants, such as e.g. EN

1127-1, EN 60079-14 etc.: a) In Zone 1 (gas hazard, category 2G, EPL Gb) in the explosion groups IIA, IIB and IIC

b) In Zone 2 (gas hazard, category 3G, EPL Gc) in the explosion groups IIA, IIB and IIC

c) In Zone 21 (dust hazard, category 2D, EPL Db) in the explosion

groups IIIA and IIIB

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d) In Zone 22 (dust hazard, category 3D, EPL Dc) in the explosion groups IIIA and IIIB

ATEX N/O contact type 41R57

...G0 and GG:

⟨Ex⟩ | | 3 G Ex ic | | C T4 Gc
 ⟨Ex⟩ | | 3 D Ex ic | | | C T125 °C Dc

-20 °C ≤Ta ≤80 °C

max. $250 V_{AC/DC}/1,5 A/100 W/100$

ATEX changeover contact

type 41R57U

⟨Ex⟩ || 3 G Ex ic ||C T4 Gc ⟨Ex⟩ || 3 D Ex ic ||I|C T125 °C Dc -20 °C ≤ Ta ≤ 80 °C ...H0 and HH:

max. 250 $V_{AC/DC}/1$ A/30 W/60 VA

Hysteresis: approx. 3.5 mm float movement

IP 65 (electrical contact) Protection:

IP 54 (side indicator)



Four versions

VKG-1...: Flowmeters



VKG-2...: Flowmeters and switches with 1 contact



VKG-3...: Flowmeters and switches with 2 contacts

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Order Details

Viscosity-compensated flowmeters model: VKG-1... (Example: VKG-1103 R15)

Measuring range I/min		Pressure loss Δ P (bar) at rated flow*		Stainless steel	Contact	Connection female thread		Option special
Oil	min.	max.						connection
0.1 0.45	0.06	0.9	VKG-1101	VKG-1201		R08 = G 1/4	N08 = 1/4" NPT	
0.21.2	0.04	1.0	VKG-1102	VKG-1202				
0.42	0.04	1.0	VKG-1103	VKG-1203		R08 = G 1/4	N08 = 1/4" NPT	
0.63.4	0.04	0.9	VKG-1104	VKG-1204		R15 = G ½	N15 = ½" NPT	
28	0.06	1.0	VKG-1105	VKG-1205				B = outlet female
315	0.04	1.0	VKG-1106	VKG-1206	00= without contact	R15 = G ½	N15 = ½" NPT	thread, inlet
420	0.04	1.0	VKG-1107	VKG-1207		R20 = G ¾	N20 = ¾" NPT	BVB manifold
2.5 45	0.08	0.4	VKG-1108	VKG-1208		B00 0 %	NOO SALAIDT	
555	0.1	1.0	VKG-1109	VKG-1209		R20 = G ¾	N20 = ¾" NPT	
2.570	0.1	1.1	VKG-1110	VKG-1210		R25 = G1	N25 = 1" NPT	
580	0.1	1.0	VKG-1111	VKG-1211		R25 = G1	N25 = 1" NPT	

^{*} The pressure loss is based on water

Viscosity-compensated flowmeters and switches model: VKG-2... (Example: VKG-2103 R15)

Measuring range I/min		e loss ∆ P ated flow*	Brass	Stainless steel	Contact	Connection female thread		Option special					
Oil	min.	max.						connection					
0.1 0.45	0.06	0.9	VKG-2101	VKG-2201		R08 = G 1/4	N08 = 1/4" NPT						
0.21.2	0.04	1.0	VKG-2102	VKG-2202	Ro = 1 N/O contactUo = 1 changeover contactCo = 1 N/O contact (cCSAus)Do = 1 changeover contact (cCSAus)Go = 1 ATEX N/O contact (model 41R57)Ho = 1 ATEX changeover contact (model 41R57U)	U0 = 1 changeover	U0 = 1 changeover	U0 = 1 changeoverR08 = G 1/4N0	50 4 N/O	DO 1 N/O 1 1			
0.42	0.04	1.0	VKG-2103	VKG-2203					N08 = 1/4" NPT				
0.63.4	0.04	0.9	VKG-2104	VKG-2204		R15 = G ½ N15 = ½" NF	N15 = ½" NPT	D quitlet female					
28	0.06	1.0	VKG-2105	VKG-2205									
315	0.04	1.0	VKG-2106	VKG-2206		(cCSAus)G0 = 1 ATEX N/O contact (model 41R57)H0 = 1 ATEX changeover contact (model	R15 = G ½	N15 = ½" NPT	B = outlet female thread, inlet BVB manifold				
420	0.04	1.0	VKG-2107	VKG-2207			contact	N20 = ¾" NPT	212				
2.545	0.08	0.4	VKG-2108	VKG-2208									
555	0.1	1.0	VKG-2109	VKG-2209			contact (model	R20 = G 3/4 R25 = G 1	N20 = ¾" NPT N25 = 1" NPT				
2.570	0.1	1.1	VKG-2110	VKG-2210	711070)								
580	0.1	1.0	VKG-2111	VKG-2211		R25 = G1	N25 = 1" NPT						

 $^{^{\}star}$ The pressure loss is based on water



Order Details

Viscosity-compensated flowmeters and switches with 2 contacts model: VKG-3... (Example: VKG-3103 R15)

Measuring range I/min	Pressure loss Δ P (bar) at rated flow*				Brass	Stainless steel	Contact	Connection	female thread
Oil	min.	max.							
0.1 0.45	0.06	0.9	VKG-3101	VKG-3201		R08 = G 1/4	N08 = 1/4" NPT		
0.21.2	0.04	1.0	VKG-3102	VKG-3202					
0.42	0.04	1.0	VKG-3103	VKG-3203	RR = 2 N/O contacts	R08 = G 1/4	N08 = 1/4" NPT		
0.63.4	0.04	0.9	VKG-3104	VKG-3204	UU = 2 changeover contacts	R15 = G ½	N15 = ½" NPT		
28	0.06	1.0	VKG-3105	VKG-3205	CC = 2 N/O contacts (cCSAus)				
315	0.04	1.0	VKG-3106	VKG-3206	DD = 2 changeover contacts (cCSAus)	R15 = G ½	N15 = ½" NPT		
420	0.04	1.0	VKG-3107	VKG-3207	GG = 2 ATEX N/O contact	R20 = G ¾	N20 = ¾" NPT		
2.5 45	0.08	0.4	VKG-3108	VKG-3208	(model 41R57) HH = 2 ATEX changeover contact	D00 0.0/	NOO SALANDE		
555	0.1	1.0	VKG-3109	VKG-3209	(model 41R57U)	R20 = G ¾	N20 = ¾" NPT		
2.570	0.1	1.1	VKG-3110	VKG-3210		R25 = G1	N25 = 1" NPT		
580	0.1	1.0	VKG-3111	VKG-3211		R25 = G1	N25 = 1" NPT		

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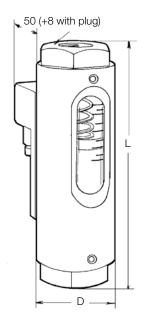
Viscosity-compensated flowmeters and switches with side indicator model: VKG-4... (Example: VKG-4103 R15)

Measuring range I/min		loss ∆ P	Brass	Stainless steel	Contact	Connection female thread		Option special	
Oil	min.	max.						connection	
0.10.45	0.06	0.9	VKG-4101	VKG-4201	R0 = 1 N/O contactU0 = 1 changeover contactC0 = 1 N/O contact (cCSAus)D0 = 1 changeover ve contact (cCSAus)G0 = 1 ATEX N/O contact (model 41R57)H0 = 1 ATEX changeover contact (model		N08 = 1/4" NPT		
0.21.2	0.04	1.0	VKG-4102	VKG-4202			N08 = ½" NPTN15 = ½" NPT		
0.42	0.04	1.0	VKG-4103	VKG-4203		R08 = G 1/4			
0.63.4	0.04	0.9	VKG-4104	VKG-4204		R15 = G ½			
28	0.06	1.0	VKG-4105	VKG-4205					
315	0.04	1.0	VKG-4106	VKG-4206		(cCSAus) G0 = 1 ATEX N/O	R15 = G ½	N15 = ½" NPT	B = outlet female thread, inlet BVB manifold
420	0.04	1.0	VKG-4107	VKG-4207			R20 = G ¾	N20 = ¾" NPT	DVD Marillola
2.5 45	0.08	0.4	VKG-4108	VKG-4208					
555	0.1	1.0	VKG-4109	VKG-4209		nodel	N20 = ¾" NPT N25 = 1" NPT		
2.570	0.1	1.1	VKG-4110	VKG-4210	41R57U)				
580	0.1	1.0	VKG-4111	VKG-4211		R25 = G1	N25 = 1" NPT		

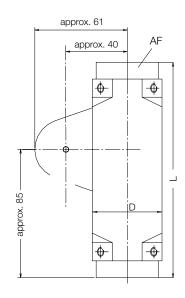
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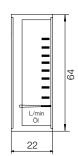


Dimensions model VKG-1..., VKG-2..., VKG-3...



Dimensions model VKG-4..





	D	AF	Weight [kg] (VKG-1)		
Model	[mm]	[mm]	Standard connection	Special connection	
VKG01	48	41	0.9	0.9	
VKG02	48	41	0.9	0.8	
VKG03	48	41	0.9	0.8	
VKG04	48	41	0.9	0.8	
VKG05	48	41	0.9	0.8	
VKG06	48	41	0.8	0.8	
VKG07	48	41	0.8	0.8	
VKG08	48	41	0.8	0.7	
VKG09	48	41	0.8	0.7	
VKG10	48	41	0.8	0.7	
VKG11	48	41	0.7	0.7	

	D	AF	Weight [kg] (VKG-1)			
Model	[mm]	[mm]	Standard connection	Special connection		
VKG01	46 x 46	41	1.3	1.3		
VKG02	46 x 46	41	1.3	1.2		
VKG03	46 x 46	41	1.3	1.2		
VKG04	46 x 46	41	1.3	1.2		
VKG05	46 x 46	41	1.2	1.2		
VKG06	46 x 46	41	1.2	1.2		
VKG07	46 x 46	41	1.2	1.1		
VKG08	46 x 46	41	1.2	1.1		
VKG09	46 x 46	41	1.2	1.1		
VKG10	46 x 46	41	1.1	1.1		
VKG11	46 x 46	41	1.1	1.1		

	Connection f	emale thread		Option special connection			
Model	L [mm]	Model	L [mm]	Model	L [mm]	Model	L [mm]
VKGR08	143	VKGN08	143	VKGR08 B	148	VKGN08 B	148
VKGR15	143	VKGN15	143	VKGR15 B	148	VKGN15 B	148
VKGR20	153	VKGN20	153	VKGR20 B	153	VKGN20 B	153
VKGR25	153	VKGN25	153	VKGR25 B	153	VKGN25 B	153