

Ring Piston Flow Meter

for low/high Viscous Liquids



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DRT







- Measuring range: 0.2...10 L/min to 12...330 L/min
- Viscosity range: low viscous to high viscous liquids
- Accuracy: ±0.2 % ... 1 % of reading
- p_{max}: 350 bar; t_{max}: +150 °C
- Connection: G¹/₂...G2 female, 1⁄2" NPT...2" NPT female, DIN flanges DN 15...DN 50, ANSI flanges 1⁄2" ...2"
- Material: Stainless steel, aluminium
- Output: Pulses, LCD display, 4...20 mA, batching, totalising





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Description

The Kobold model DRT flowmeters utilise the widely accepted oscillating piston design principle with the performance enhanced by the use of modern engineering materials to provide a cost effective and reliable solution for a wide range of industrial flow measurement applications.

This flowmeter utilises the oscillating piston principle, where the passage of liquid causes a piston to oscillate smoothly in a circular motion inside a round measuring chamber. Each piston cycle displaces a known volume of liquid from the inlet port to the outlet port. Small high energy magnets located within the piston activate the integral electronics which in turn generate high resolution pulse outputs suitable for remote flow integration instruments, computers and PLC's.

This simple and robust design offers the advantage of only one moving part with both high resolution NPN Hall Effect open collector and reed switch outputs as standard. As each piston oscillating cycle passes a known volume of liquid, the inherent repeatability of the positive displacement flowmeter makes it particularly suited to batching and dispensing duties.

Positive displacement flowmeters are an inexpensive means to accurately meter high viscosity clean liquids as high as 1 million centipoise however, the appropriate meter must be sized so that the pressure drop across the primary measuring elements (oscillating or oval rotor), does not exceed the maximum capability of either. The oscillating piston meter can withstand 2.8 bar differential pressure making it more suitable to high viscosity liquids, the oval wheel is limited to 1 bar differential due to the pressure imposed on the rotor shafts.

Applications

Common applications range from non-conductive low viscosity solvents through to extremely viscous lubricants, chemicals and food bases. Application flexibility is further enhanced as meter performance is independent of flow profile eliminating the restrictive need for straight pipe runs required with most alternate metering technologies.

The DRT has no stagnate chambers to harbor contaminants. There is no restriction on mounting orientation and the flowmeter may be operated under vacuum flow, pumped flow or gravity flow conditions.

The aluminium model is suitable for metering petroleum products, diesel, fuel oil, lubrication oil, hydraulic oil, kerosene, gasoline, alcohol, solvents, laquers and grease.

Typical applications for stainless steel model include chemical and allied products, pharmaceuticals, petroleum, LPG, deionised water, container filling machines, fuel additives, bitumen, paint, synthetic rubber, latex, detergent and soap, pigments.

The high pressure stainless steel model applications include hydraulics, lube oil, mercaptan, petroleum, deionised water, resins, MEK, ethylene oxide, oil and gas industry, injection of chemical and bonding solution

Technical	Details
Materials [.]	

Body:	Stainless steel 1.4404 (316L) or aluminium
Piston:	CFT - Carbon Filled PTFE (standard) or PEEK
Partition Material:	Stainless steel 1.4404 (316L) or ceramic (for abrasive or low lubricity fluids such as water, road marking paints etc.)





Seals:	FPM (standard): -15+200 °C EPR (Ethylene Propylene Rubber): -20+150 °C for ketones only PTFE encapsulated FPM: -20+150 °C NBR: -65+100 °C								
Cover (for pulse	e output):	Glass reinforced nylon.							
(- 1	1 7	st. steel (options NE, QE)							
Accuracy	/ (at 3cP):	 ±1 % of reading (DRT-xx4) ±0.5 % of reading (for all other models/sizes) ±0.2 % of reading (with ZOD-Z3 linearisation) 							
Viscosity	range:	(see graphs on page 5 for higher viscosities with flow de-rating)							
Repeatab	oility:	±0.03%							
Temperat	ture range:	-20+80 °C for options Z and B and -20+120 °C for pulse output for options Z and B with cooling fin and +150 °C only with piston material PEEK and NPN pulse output							
Pressure	drop:	see flow de-rating graph							
Supply voltage:		see electrical output specifications, electronics comparison table and ZOD datasheet							
Electronic	c features:	see electronics comparison table or ZOD datasheet							
Electrical	output:	see page 4							
Output fr	equency								
at max. v	elocity:	67110 Hz (Hall effect pulse output), 1433 Hz (Reed switch pulse output)							
Wiring (st Transmis	tandard): sion	5 core, screened cable							
distance:		1 000 meters maximum, without integrated electronics							
Cable en	try:	see order details							
Protectio	n Class:	IP 66/67							
Straight p	oipe runs								
requireme	ent:	none							
Mounting	j:	universal (bi-directional flow)							
Maximun (threaded	n Pressure d version):	see table below							

Output pulse resolution: s ATEX-approval (option Z4): (options NE, QE): Approx. shipping weights (threaded

meters only):

filters:

Recommended

see table below

(€x) II 2G EEx ia IIB T4 (-20°C ≤ Ta ≤ +60°C)
 (€x) II 2G Ex d IIB T6 (-20°C ≤ Ta ≤ +70°C)
 (€x) II 2G Ex d IIB T4 (-20°C ≤ Ta ≤ +120°C)
 (€x) I M2 Ex d IMb (st. steel models only)

see table below

150 microns (100 mesh) minimum

Electrical Output Specifications

Hall Effect Sensor Pulse Output (N1)

The Hall Effect Sensor is a high resolution solid state 3 wire device providing an un-sourced, open collector, NPN transistor output. The term "un-sourced" means that no voltage is applied to the output from within the flowmeter, it must be pulled to a 'high' or 'on' state by between $5...24V_{DC}$ supplied from an external source, typically the receiving instrument.

The pulse output between signal and -0V is a voltage square wave with the high level being the DC voltage available at the open collector and the low level being -0V.

The receiving instrument must incorporate a pull up resistor (typically greater than 10K ohms in most instruments) which ties the open collector to the available DC voltage level when the Hall sensor is not energized. When energized the open collector output is pulled to ground through the emitter (-0V).

Power supply: max. 5...24 V_{DC}, max. 20 mA

These pulses are suited to small volume batching applications requiring high levels of repeatability. The square wave pulses are unevenly spaced due to the cyclic motion of the piston, but like the reed switch each pulse is representative of an equal volume.

Max. Pressure (threaded meters)/output pulse resolution/approx. shipping weights (threaded meters)

Model	Maxim	num pressur	e (bar)	Ν	leasuring ran	Weight (kg)			
Size	DRT-A	DRT-S	DRT-H	(L/min)	Reed	Hall Effect	Quadrature	DRT-S/H	DRT-A
					Switch		Hall Effect		
DRT-xx4*	30	100	350	0.2 10	200	400	200	2.3/3.2	1.1
DRT-xx6	60	60	150	250	20	100	20	3.1/4.8	1.6
DRT-xx8	30	60	150	4140	7.3	44	7.3	6.5/8.0	3.3
DRT-xx9	20	30	-	12330	2.5	20	2.5	10/12.2	4.6

with flanges, max. pressure rating as above or as per flange pressure rating, whichever is lower

*at a time, only one of the three sub ranges 0.2...1.7 LPM, 1.7...7 LPM, 5...10 LPM may be used (diff. K-factors for each range)

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Reed Switch Pulse Output (R0)

The reed switch output is a two wire normally open SPST voltage free contact ideal for installations without power or for use in hazardous area locations (simple apparatus) when Intrinsically Safe (I.S.) philosophy is adopted.

Note: when using the reed switch output the liquid temperature must not change at a rate greater than 10 °C per minute. In general the reed switch life will exceed 2 billion actuations when switching less than $5V_{\rm DC}$ at10mA.

Power supply: max. 30 V_{DC}, 200 mA.

Quadrature Hall Effect Pulse Output (Q2)

Two Hall Effect sensors arranged to give separate outputs out of phase with one another. The quadrature output is typically suited to ensure output signal integrity or to measure bi-directional flow.

Power supply: max. 8-24 V_{DC}, max. 20 mA.

Viscosity Effects on DRT Pulse Output (K-factor)

Each DRT flowmeter is calibrated at the factory using Diesel as the test media. When metering higher viscosity liquids the meter K-factor will be a more positive number than that of Diesel at 2.55 cSt viscosity. To calculate the approximate relative K-factor for other liquid viscosities apply the approximate K-factor multiplier from the graph below as per the following example:

K-factor when used with liquid 1cp = 101.255

K-factor when used with liquid 12 cSt = 104.293 (101.255 x 1.030).

This is a generic Output "K" factor multiplier chart as based on water at 1 cSt, for reference only. Always use the Calibration Certificate "K" factor as the default setting unless otherwise specified. The factory "K" factor is suitable for most applications without any need for correction.

Electronic with LCD display

Model	Z1	Z3	Z5	B1					
Function	dual	rate	rate	batch					
	totalizer	totalizer	totalizer	controller					
Power source									
battery-powered	yes	yes	yes	no					
external (drives out-	0.041/	0 0414	0 0414	10 0414					
put, backlighting)	8 - 24 V _{DC}	8 - 24 V _{DC}	8 - 24 V _{DC}	12 - 24 V _{DC}					
LCD display									
-line 1 / no. of digits	7.5 mm/5	9 mm/8	17 mm/6	9 mm/8					
-line 2 / no. of digits	3.6 mm/8	-	7 mm/8	-					
selectable units	yes	yes	yes	yes					
decimal point	yes	yes	yes	yes					
subscripts displayed	yes	yes	yes	yes					
accumulative total	yes	yes	yes	yes					
resettable total	yes	yes	yes	no					
linearisation	no	yes	no	no					
rate display	no	yes	yes	no					
backlighting	no	no	yes	no					
Input type									
un-powered sensors	see ZOD datasheet								
powered sensors	see ZOD datasheet								
Outputs									
4-20 mA (750 Ω)	no	yes	no	no					
high/low flow alarm	no	NPN/PNP	NPN	no					
batch end & control	no	no	no	NPN/PNP					
pulse outputs	NPN/PNP	NPN/PNP	NPN	NPN/PNP					
2 x SPDT relays	no	optional*	no	optional*					
Installation									
IP 66/67	yes	yes	yes	yes					
cable entries	1 x gland (meter mount) 2 x glands (remote)	3 x M 20	3 x M 16	3 x M 20					
intrinsic safe (option)	no	yes	no	no					
mounting	meter mount, wall, pipe or panel mounting								
temperature range -20 +80 °C (Option: -20 +120 °C)									







Viscosity Multiplier Factor Curve for DRT Flowmeter Maximum Flow Capacity

To determine the pressure loss of a liquid with a viscosity greater than 1cP, use the above graph to derive the multiplier factor to apply to the DRT pressure drop curves for water at 1cP.



Pressure drop at 1 cP



Spare parts of a meter with pulse output:





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No responsibility taken for errors; subject to change without prior notice.



Order Details Thread Connection (Example: DRT-S G9 2 S F 3 M N1)

Range [L/min]	Model/ Housing Material	Connection	Piston Material	Partition Material	O-Ring Material	Temperature Limits	Cable Entry	Electronics
0.2 10		G4 = G ½ N4 = ½" NPT				$1 = -20+60^{\circ}C$ $2^{2} = +60 + 120^{\circ}C$		R04) = Reed switch pulse output N1 = Hall sensor (NPN)/ reed switch pulse output NE = Hall sensor (NPN)/ reed switch pulse
250	DRT-A = aluminium DRT-S = st. steel	G6 = G 1 N6 = 1" NPT	2 = PEEK 3 = CFT -	S = st. steel (standard) C = Ceramic	F = FPM (standard) $N = NBR (max. 100 °C)$	2 1001220 (for electronics N1, Q2) +60+80°C (for electronics Z1Z5, B1) 3 ²⁰ = +120+150°C	M = M20x1.5	output + ATEX (Exd) Q2 = Quad Hall sensor 2 phased outputs (NPN) QE = Quad Hall sensor 2 phased outputs (NPN) + ATEX (Exd)
4140	DRT-H ¹) = st. steel, high pressure G8 = G 1 ½ N8 = 1 ½" NPT	steel, gh essure G8 = G 1 ½ N8 = 1 ½" NPT G8 = G 1 ½ G9 = 1 ½" NPT G9 = 1 ½ NPT G9 = 1 $ 1 \% N = 1 \%$ G9 = 1 $ 1 \% N = 1 \%$ G9 = 1 $ 1 \% N = 1 \%$ G9 = 1 $ 1 \% N = 1 \%$ G9 = 1 $ 1 \% N = 1 \%$ G9 = 1 $ 1 \% N = 1 \%$ G9 = 1 $ 1 \% N = 1 \%$ G9 = 1 $ 1 \% N = 1 \%$ G9 = 1 $ 1 \% N = 1 \%$ G9 = 1 $ 1 \% N = 1 \%$ G9 = 1 $ 1 \% N = 1 \%$ G9 = 1 $ 1 \% N = 1 \%$ G9 = 1 $ 1 \% N = 1 \%$ G9 = 1 $ 1 \% N = 1 \%$ G9 = 1 $ 1 \% N = 1 \%$ G9 = 1 $ 1 \% N = 1 \%$ G9 = 1 $ 1 \% N = 1 \%$ G9 = 1 $ 1 \% N = 1 \%$ G9 = 1 $ 1 \% N = 1 \%$ G	P = PTFE encapsu- lated FPM N = EPR	(only possible with piston material PEEK and NPN pulse output) 5 ²⁽³⁾ = +80+120 °C (for electronics	N = ½" NPT	 Z1 = duar LCD totaliser, pulse output (ZOD-Z1) Z3 = LCD totaliser, rate, outputs: 4-20 mA, alarm, pulse (ZOD-Z3) Z4 = Electronics "Z3" + 		
12330		G9 = G 2 N9 = 2" NPT				(lor electronics Z1Z5, B1)		ATEX (Exi) Z5 = dual LCD totaliser/ rate, outputs: alarm, pulse (ZOD-Z5) B1 = LCD batch control- ler, totaliser, pulse output (ZOD-B1)

¹⁾ not for DRT-Hx9...; ²⁽³⁾ max. temperature limited to +100 °C when choosing NBR as O-ring material ; ³⁾ cooling fin fitted to integral instruments ⁴⁾ should be chosen when using DRT in instrinsically safe circuits as "simple apparatus".

Order Details Flange Connection (Example: DRT-A F6 3S F 2 M Z 1)

Range [L/min]	Model/ Housing Material	Connection	Piston Material	Partition Material	O-Ring Material	Temperature Limits	Cable Entry	Electronics
0.2 10		F4 = DN 15/PN16 A4 = ½" ANSI- 150RF B4 = ½" ANSI- 300RF				1 = -20+60°C		R0 ³⁾ = Reed switch pulse output N1 = Hall sensor (NPN)/ reed switch pulse output NE = Hall sensor (NPN)/ reed switch pulse ouput + ATEX (Exd)
250	DRT-A = aluminium DRT-S = st. steel	$ \begin{array}{ c c c c c c c c } \hline F6 &= DN \ 25/PN16 \\ \hline A6 &= 1^* \ ANSI - \\ 150RF \\ \hline B6 &= 1^* \ ANSI - \\ 300RF \\ \hline RT-S &= st. \ steel \\ \hline RT-S &= st. \ steel \\ \hline \ RT-S &= st. \ steel \\ \hline \hline \ RT-S &= st. \ steel \\ \hline \hline \ RT-S &= st. \ steel \\ \hline \hline \ RT-S &= st. \ steel \\ \hline \ \ RT-S &= st. \ steel \\ \hline \ \ \ \ \ \ \ \ \ \ \ \ \ \ \ \ \ \$	2 = PEEK 3 = CFT - Carbon	S = st. steel (stdd.) C = Ceramic	F = FPM (standard) N = NBR (max. 100 °C)	2 ¹ = +60+120°C (for electronics N1, Q2) +60+80°C (for electronics Z1Z5, B1) 3 ¹ = +120+150°C	M = M20x1.5	Q2 = Quad Hall sensor 2 phased outputs (NPN) QE = Quad Hall sensor 2 phased outputs (NPN+ATEX (Exd) Z1 = dual LCD totaliser, pulse output
4140			P = PTFE encapsu- lated FPM N = EPR	with piston material PEEK and NPN pulse output) 5 ^{1/2)} = +80+120°C (for electronics 71 - 75 - P1)	N = ½" NPT	ZOD-Z1) Z3 = LCD totaliser, rate, outputs: 4-20 mA, alarm, pulse (ZOD-Z3) Z4 = Electronics "Z3" + ATEX (Exi) Z5 = dual LCD-totaliser/		
12330		F9 = DN 50/PN16 A9 = 2" ANSI - 150RF B9 = 2" ANSI - 300RF				Z1Z5, B1)		rate, outputs: alarm, pulse (ZOD-Z5) B1 = LCD batch controller, totaliser, pulse output (ZOD-B1)

^{1/2)} max. temperature limited to +100 °C when choosing NBR as O-ring material; ²⁾ cooling fin fitted to integral instruments; ³⁾ should be chosen when using DRT in instrinsically safe circuits as "simple apparatus".



Dimensions



Model	A [mm]					D [mm]					C [mm]	B [mm]			
	Flange Thread			Flange Thread					Integral Electronics			s			
	DIN	ANSI	ANSI	G	NPT	DIN	ANSI	ANSI	G	NPT		Cover	Z1	Z3/B1	Z5
	PN16	150	300			PN16	150	300							
DRT-xx4	140	132	145	100	100	95	89	95	-	-	75	111	134	143	147
DRT-xx6	165	152	170	117	117	115	108	124	-	-	98	147	170	179	183
DRT-xx8	235	224	239	175	175	150	127	156	-	-	140	169	192	201	205
DRT-xx9	258	253	268	202	202	165	152	165	-	-	166	204	225	234	238