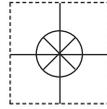


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# PX624 OMEGA® PRECISION PRESSURE TRANSDUCER INSTALLATION AND OPERATING INSTRUCTIONS

## IMPORTANT

Please read the operating and installation instructions thoroughly before using this instrument or attempting any repair work. Installation and operation of this instrument should be performed by a qualified instrumentation engineer or technician only.

This instrument is not field repairable outside of routine zero and span adjustment. Problems which cannot be remedied by following the instructions in this manual should be referred to Omega Engineering

## SAFETY PRECAUTIONS

Electronic pressure instruments must be selected in accordance with industry codes and safety practices to avoid the possibility of misuse or misapplication which could result in personal injury or property damage. Personnel responsible for selection and installation should also be familiar with the safety recommendations of ASME B40.1, that apply to elastic pressure elements and their application in general and specific services. ASME B40.1 is available from:

ASME  
345 47th Street  
New York, NY 10017

**Pressure** – Select a range so that the maximum applied pressure will never exceed the upper range limit.

**Vibration** – Excessive vibration could cause loosening of components resulting in loss of instrument accuracy or failure to provide valid data.

**Pulsation** – Excessive pressure pulsation could result in fatigue failure of the pressure element.

**Temperature** – Operation of the instrument in an environment where temperatures are in excess of design ratings may result in loss of accuracy and failure.

**Process** – Pressure boundary materials must be resistant to the process media. Failure to assure compatibility may result in pressure sensing element deterioration or failure. Instruments used on high pressure gas, or potentially hazardous service, such as oxygen should be carefully selected in accordance with the recommendations of ASME B40. 1.

**Hazardous Location** – Only approved explosion proof or intrinsically safe instruments should be used in hazardous locations.

**Electro-Magnetic Interference** – Instruments used in locations where EMI/RFI conditions exist may exhibit erroneous performance.

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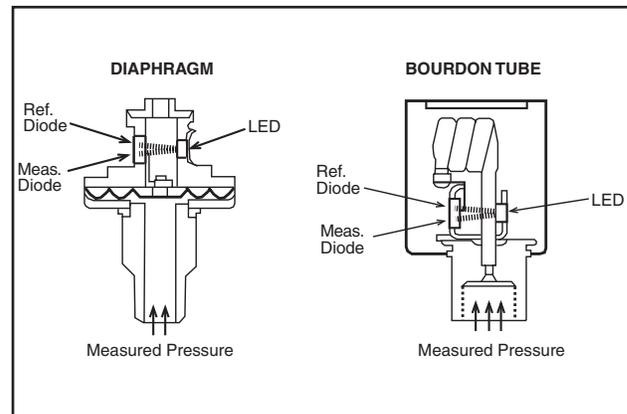
Examine the instrument carefully for any visible signs of damage that may have occurred during shipment. In the absence of any damage proceed with installation.

## Theory of Operation

The PX624 pressure transducer uses an optical means of detecting the effective pressure acting on an elastic member (an Inconel diaphragm up to 250 psi and an Inconel Bourdon tube above 250 psi), therefore, there is no physical contact between the force summing element and the means by which the electrical output signal is produced. This unique sensor design results in extraordinary repeatability and accuracy.

The basic operation of the sensor is simple. The diaphragm or Bourdon tube element moves only 0.020 of an inch during a full span pressure excursion. This small motion combined with the use of high strength materials result in minimum stress levels, well below metal yield points, to assure stability, repeatability, and long sensor life. Attached to the diaphragm or Bourdon tube is an opaque vane, the movement of which is sensed by an optical system comprised of an LED light source adjacent to a monolithic dual diode package. See figure 1 below.

Figure 1. Sensor Cutaway



One diode serves as a reference output and the other as a measuring output. The position of the vane (dependent upon the applied pressure) determines how much of the measuring photodiode's active surface is exposed to the LED light source. The output of the reference diode is used to regulate power supplied to the LED to insure consistent light levels. The measuring diode's output current is converted to voltage which is further processed by the transducer's analog conditioning circuitry to produce the desired voltage or current output.

**IMPORTANT – SEALED HOUSING AND VENT INFORMATION**

**Gauge, Vacuum and Compound Pressure Types**

Changes in ambient temperature will affect the pressure of a fixed volume of gas on the order of approximately .03 psi per degree Fahrenheit. Since all units are supplied with a NEMA 4X sealed housing, this may be a significant effect when compared to the instrument's accuracy rating particularly on low pressure ranges. The standard pigtail connector includes an integral vent tube which prevents pressure changes within the housing from affecting the output signal. The optional Bendix PTO connector has no provision for a vent tube. A sealed, # 2-56 screw located on the bottom of the housing adjacent to the pressure inlet fitting (see page 10) can be removed to provide ventilation of the housing. Removal of this screw does, however, invalidate the NEMA 4X rating. As an alternative the housing is also available with an optional atmospheric reference port which can be connected to a protected junction box or reference manifold.

**Absolute Pressure Types**

Absolute pressure instruments employ an evacuated reference chamber integral to the sensor. This design is immune from the effects of pressure changes within the sealed housing and therefore requires no special attention for either type of connector.

**PRESSURE CONNECTION**

Ranges up to and including 5000 psi are supplied with a ¼ NPT male pressure fitting. Ranges above 5000 psi are supplied with a ⅙-18 UNF female port for ¼ inch O.D. high pressure tubing.

**ELECTRICAL CONNECTION**

The unit is provided with either a three foot pigtail (standard) or a Bendix PTO2 (optional) connector as specified at time of purchase. There are three basic signal output configurations also specified at time of purchase. They are non-isolated voltage, transformer isolated voltage and current output.

**Cable recommendations, Grounding**

Shielded, number 26 AWG (minimum) cable is generally recommended as a starting point for all installa-

tions. Actual gage will depend on distance (I/R drop) considerations. Shield drain wires should be terminated at one end only, usually at the data acquisition or display device. Terminating the shield at both ends will eliminate the effectiveness of the shield and may also contribute to ground loop problems.

In each configuration the sensor body is electrically isolated from the power supply and output signal circuitry. Each output type includes either an orange wire (pigtail) or connection at pin E (Bendix) which is tied to the sensor body. This is provided to offer an earth ground point if required by NEC or local electrical codes. **NOTE:** It is not advisable to connect supply (-), signal (-), or shield to this reference as it may contribute to noise sensitivity or ground loop effects.

The connector assignments are per the following tables.

**TABLE I: VOLTAGE OUTPUT – NON-ISOLATED (3 Wire)**

Although the non-isolated voltage output (0 to 5, 0 to 10, or -5 to +5 Vdc) offers four connections for power supply and signal output it is actually a "three wire" system in that the power supply (-) and signal (-) share the same reference. A separate signal (-) is offered to help reduce the effects of I/R drop in system installation wiring.

Pigtail	Bendix	Function
Red	A	20-40 Vdc Supply (+)
Black	B	20-40 Vdc Supply (- common)
	C	No Connect
White	D	Output Signal (+)
Orange	E	Sensor Body
Green	F	Output Signal (- common)

**TABLE II: VOLTAGE OUTPUT – ISOLATED (4 Wire)**

The optional transformer isolated voltage output offers superior immunity to EMI/RFI interference, ground loop effects, and I/R drop. Shielded, twisted pair cable is recommended for all installation wiring.

Pigtail	Bendix	Function
Red	A	15-24 Vdc Supply (+)
Black	B	15-24 Vdc Supply (-)
	C	No Connect
White	D	Output Signal (+)
Orange	E	Sensor Body
Green	F	Output Signal (-)

**TABLE III: CURRENT OUTPUT – 4/20mA**

Current loop signals offer naturally high noise immunity; however, shielded cable still may be desirable in extremely noisy environments. Note that a minimum of 12 Vdc must be present at the unit's input terminals and is dependent on the sampling resistance of the acquisition or display device. This can easily be determined by the following formula:

Supply min. (Vdc) = 12 Vdc + [.02 x (total loop resistance)]

Pigtail	Bendix	Function
Red	A	12-24 Vdc Supply (+)
Black	B	Common (-)
	C	No Connect
White	D	No Connect
Orange	E	Sensor Body
Green	F	No Connect

## INSTALLATION ADJUSTMENTS AND FIELD CALIBRATION

Zero should be adjusted as part of the initial installation procedure. Other field adjustments are limited to setting span as compared to a suitable deadweight tester. A primary standard with an accuracy of  $\pm 0.01\%$  of reading is recommended. Note: Zero and span adjustment of absolute pressure types require an absolute pressure standard and a vacuum pump. Zero and span adjustment of vacuum and compound pressure types will require a vacuum standard.

There are two adjustment potentiometers available to the user. They are located on the top of the housing and are accessed by removing the screws labeled "Z" (zero) and "S" (span). These adjustments are referenced to the full pressure span of the instrument and provide approximately  $\pm 3\%$  FS adjustment range.

Connect the transducer to a suitable pressure source and display device. Apply power and allow at least 45 minutes for warm up before making any adjustments. The adjustment procedure is dependent on the pressure type as described in the following sections.

### GAUGE PRESSURE TYPE

**ZERO** – Check the zero indication on the display device with the pressure inlet open to atmospheric pressure. If it does not indicate zero use a small screwdriver to turn the potentiometer labeled "Z" counter-clockwise to reduce the reading or clockwise to increase the reading until a display value corresponding to zero pressure is achieved.

**SPAN** – Apply full pressure and adjust the potentiometer labeled "S" as required. Release the pressure and verify the zero adjustment. Repeat process if necessary until the zero and full scale readings conform to the pressure standard.

### VACUUM PRESSURE TYPE

**ZERO** – Check the zero indication on the display device with the pressure inlet open to atmospheric pressure. If it does not indicate zero use a small screwdriver to turn the potentiometer labeled "Z" counter-clockwise to reduce the reading or clockwise to increase the reading as required.

**SPAN** – Apply full scale vacuum and adjust the poten-

tiometer labeled "S" as required. Release the vacuum and verify the zero adjustment. Repeat process if necessary until the zero and span readings conform to the pressure standard.

**NOTE** – Units supplied with full vacuum ranges are based on 0 to 14.7 psi vacuum or 0 to 30 in.Hg. As this vacuum level is difficult to achieve, 14.5 psi vacuum or 29 in.Hg should be used as the span adjustment pressure (vacuum) value. The span potentiometer should then be adjusted to achieve 98.64% of the full span voltage or current output at 14.5 psi vacuum or 96.66% of the full span voltage or current output at 29 in.Hg vacuum. For example:

#### A. 14.7 psi Vacuum Scale

The span adjustment should be made at 14.5 psiv with a target output of 9.864 Vdc for a 0 to 10 Vdc output or 19.782 mA for a 4 to 20mA output.

#### B. 30 in.Hg Scale

The span adjustment should be made at 29 in.Hg with a target output of 9.667 Vdc for a 0 to 10 Vdc output or 19.467 mA for a 4 to 20mA output.

## COMPOUND PRESSURE TYPE

### TYPES OF SIGNAL OUTPUT

A compound range PX624 is available with one of two output configurations depending on the original purchase specification. Symmetrical pressure ranges such as -3 to 3 psi, -14.7 to 14.7 psi, etc. are available with a uni-polar (0 to 5 or 10 Vdc or 4-20mA) output or an optional hi-polar voltage (-5 to +5 Vdc) output. Non-symmetrical pressure ranges such as -14.7 to 30 psi are only available with uni-polar (0 to 5 or 10VDC or 4-20mA) outputs.

**ZERO** – A vacuum standard is required for adjusting zero on a compound range unit. The zero potentiometer affects the full vacuum point of the pressure rating (not the gauge pressure zero). For example, the zero adjustment on a transducer with a pressure range of 14.7 to 15 psi is made at -14.5 psiv or for -28 to 30 in.Hg the zero adjustment is made at 29 in.Hg (see instructions for vacuum pressure type in the preceding section).

**SPAN** – Apply full scale pressure and adjust the span potentiometer as required. Release pressure and verify "zero" adjustment. Repeat if required. With zero and span properly adjusted the unit should read zero  $\pm 0.05\%$  of its full span rating.

### ABSOLUTE PRESSURE TYPE

**ZERO** – An absolute pressure standard with a vacuum pump capable of achieving a vacuum level of at least one half the value of the least significant digit of its pressure range resolution will be required (a vacuum level of 50 microns absolute is used at the factory).

Connect the unit to the pressure standard and evacuate. If the signal output varies from an indication of zero adjust the zero potentiometer labeled (Z) as required.

**SPAN** – Apply full scale absolute pressure and adjust the span potentiometer labeled “S” as required. Verify the zero and repeat if required.

### GENERAL SPECIFICATIONS

#### PERFORMANCE

**Accuracy:**  $\pm 0.05\%$  of span (including non-linearity, hysteresis and nonrepeatability) at reference conditions (72°F)

**Repeatability:**  $\pm 0.005\%$  of span

**Resolution:**  $\pm 0.01\%$  FS

**Temperature Compensated Range:** 20 to 120°F (-7 to + 49°C)

**Operating Temperature Range:** 0 to 180°F (-18 to 83°C)

**Temperature Effects Over Compensated Range:**  $\pm 0.004\%$  per °F. (.002% per °C) for both zero and span

**Warm Up:** 5 minutes to rated accuracy 45 minutes for complete stability

#### FUNCTIONAL CHARACTERISTICS

**Ranges:** 0-5 psi to 0-1 0,000 psi

**Pressure Types:** Gauge, Absolute, Compound and Vacuum

**Output Signal:** 0/5 or 0/10 Vdc into a load of 5k ohms or greater, 3 wire non-isolated or 4 wire isolated, and 4-20mA

**Power Requirements:** 20-40 Vdc (non-isolated 3 wire voltage output), 15-24 Vdc (isolated 4 wire output), 12-24 Vdc (current output)

**Power Supply Effect:** Less than  $\pm 0.002\%$  of span per 1 volt change

#### Overpressure Limits:

400% of span 0/5 to 0/250 psi

30% of span 0/300 to 10,000 psi

**Sensor Volume:** Approximately 4 cc 0/5 to 0/250 psi and 0.38 cc from 0/300 to 0/10,000 psi

**Volume Displacement:** Approximately 0.5 cc to 250 psi. Negligible for ranges above 250 psi

**Response Time:** 3 mS

**Frequency Response:** Approximately 300 Hz

**Wetted Materials:** Inconel and 300 Series Stainless Steel (all welded construction)

**Media Compatibility:** Gas, vapor or liquid non corrosive to Inconel or 300 Series Stainless Steel

**Mounting Position Effects:** Less than the following

values per 30 degree inclination in any plane for **zero only – no span effect:**  $\pm 0.05\%$  of span up to 250 psi,  $\pm 0.3\%$  of span ranges above 250 psi.

**Correctable by zero adjustment after final installation orientation.**

#### PHYSICAL CHARACTERISTICS

**Process Connection:** ¼ male NPT for 5 psi through 5000 psi – ¼-18 female port for ¼ inch O.D. high pressure tubing for ranges over 5000 psi.

**Electrical Connector:** 1 Meter vented pigtail (standard), Bendix PTO2, 6 Pin (optional)

**Housing:** Sealed NEMA 4X, 300 Series Stainless Steel

**Mounting:** Stem Mount (standard) – Wall/Pipe Bracket (optional)

**Dimensions:** Diameter: 2.0 inches, Height: See table below

**Weight:** 16 oz.

**Table 1: Overall Height Dimensions**

	Pigtail Connector	Bendix Connector
¼ NPT	4.904	4.977
¼-18	4.571	4.644

## WARRANTY/DISCLAIMER

OMEGA ENGINEERING, INC. warrants this unit to be free of defects in materials and workmanship for a period of **13 months** from date of purchase. OMEGA's Warranty adds an additional one (1) month grace period to the normal **one (1) year product warranty** to cover handling and shipping time. This ensures that OMEGA's customers receive maximum coverage on each product.

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The purchaser is responsible for shipping charges, freight, insurance and proper packaging to prevent breakage in transit.

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2. Model and serial number of the product, and
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