Series 300 Pressure Switch

for Pneumatic Control Applications

Pressure Switches

The Series 300 Pressure Switches offer accurate, reliable switching in a robust cast enclosure.

COMPACT DESIGN

Having a width of only 70mm these switches are ideally suited for applications where space may be limited. The design allows for any number of these switches to be mounted in a row whilst still providing easy access to the electrical entry at the top of the switch and the process connection at the bottom.

COMPREHENSIVE RANGE

The Series 300 includes switches for monitoring both pressure and vacuum. The ranges available from -1 to 600 Bar cover all medium to high pressure industrial applications. With a choice of aluminium or stainless steel IP66 housings these switches are equally well suited for mounting on-site or use in panels.

Compatability between the 'wetted parts' of the switch and your process can be assured with a number of options available for both the process chamber and diaphragm materials.

LOW SWITCHING DIFFERENTIALS

These switches make extensive use of the Rototherm precision pilot valve (PPV) as the prime sensing device to detect the process diaphragm movement. This valve provides a final switching differential equal to that obtained by the use of electrical microswitch – typically below 2% of the range.

HIGH OVERLOAD RATINGS

All Series 300 pressure switches use a diaphragm to monitor the process pressure. This type of switch can provide high pressure overload capabilities and is ideal for applications where the maximum process pressure can be much greater than the required switching pressure.

SIMPLE MAINTENANCE

These switches can provide many years of maintenance free operation. However should the need arise output switch kits and diaphragm kits allow on-site repair rather than replacement to minimise the overall cost of ownership.



PROVEN PERFORMANCE

Series 300 pressure switches have a long established reputation for providing good value without compromising accuracy and reliability.



Typical Series 300 Dimensions



1/8" PNEUMATIC

CONNECTIONS

Series 300 Pressure Switches Specifications & Coding

Set Point Ranges (bar)				Diaphragm Material			Chamber Proof Rating (bar)		
Range Code	MIN	МАХ	% RESET	Nitrile Code 1	PTFE Code 2	Hastelloy C Code 7	Anodised Aluminium Code 1	316 Stain- less Steel Code 5	Hastelloy C Code 7
344 PZ	-0.6	0.6	2	\checkmark	✓	✓	30	30	•
345 PZ	-1	1.4		✓	~	~	30	30	•
346 PZ	-1	6.0		1	✓	~	30	30	•
344 P	0.1	1.4	2	√	✓	~	30	30	30
345 P	0.2	3.0		✓	✓	~	30	30	30
346 P	0.7	7.0		√	√	~	30	30	30
34B P	1	10		√	✓	✓	30	30	30
347 P	2	21		√	✓	✓	35	35	35
354 P	1.2	12	3	×	✓	✓	×	250	250
355 P	3	30		×	✓	~	×	250	250
356 P	7	70		×	✓	✓	×	250	250
357 P	20	210		×	✓	✓	×	350	350
358 P	60	600		×	✓	✓	×	1000	1000
Differential Pres	sure Ranges								
344 DPZ	-0.9	0.9	3	✓	✓	✓	30	30	30
345 DPZ	-1	2		✓	✓	✓	30	30	30
344 DP	0.2	2	2.5	✓	✓	✓	30	30	30
345 DP	0.4	4		✓	✓	✓	30	30	30
346 DP	1	10		✓	✓	✓	30	30	30
347 DP	2	21		✓	✓	✓	35	35	35
Key to options:	✓= available	ble × = not available • = check availability with HNL Technical Sales							

Note on Vent Ring Option:

As an additional safety feature, all of the Series 300 pressureswitches can be specified to include an optional vent ring. Its purpose is to isolate the electrical housing from the process in the event of process diaphragm failure, as shown.

If a vent ring is included a new process diaphragm can be fitted to allow the switch to be returned to service. Without a vent ring ingress of the process into the electrical housing may additionally necessitate the replacement of the output switch or render the switch unserviceable.

Inclusion of a vent ring will increase the overall length of the switch by 15mm.







Notes on Output Switch Selection:

- Output codes 61 and 81 are 3 port valves. These have a separate pilot bulkhead in addition to the 3 bulkheads for the valve. Generally the centre bulkhead is the output and the other two bulkheads are the switched supply and the vent. Swapping these two connections determines if the output pressure is present on a falling or rising process pressure.
- 2. Output code 71 is a two port valve, with two bulkhead connections, the pilot supply and the output.
- 3. All output switches must be supplied with a clean, dry and filtered inert gas at the recommended pilot pressure for correct operation.
- 4. For all ot the pneumatic output switches above, there is a continuous bleed of the pilot supply (via a 0.2mm restrictor) when the process pressure is above the setpoint of the switch. When the process pressure is below the setpoint this bleed is greatly reduced.

Rototherm can supply pneumatic output switches without a continuous bleed of the pilot supply (in either switched state) – please contact Technical Sales for details.

Notes:

- Dust and weatherproof ratings are IP66 to BS EN 60529 (IEC 60529).
- 2. A 'Z' within the range code signifies at or below zero. This is achieved with the use of a stainless steel biasing assembly within the process chamber. If stainless steel is not compatible with the process an alternative 'X' option is available (e.g. 344PX instead of 344PZ).
- A large number of alternative threaded connections, diaphragm & chamber materials are available as special options. Please contact Rototherm Technical Sales for details.

Combined Switching Errors & Maximum Working Pressure (MWP): In accordance with BS6134 1991:

The sum of the average switching errors and the operating value repeatability will typically not exceed 0.3% of range span, at setpoints of 10%, 50% and 90% of span, at constant calibration and measurement temperatures.

The maximum working pressure of the Series 300 switches is 0.67 x the proof pressure. It should be noted that diaphragm type switches generally have a high overload capability.

Reset (Switching Differential):

The reset varies throughout the range, normally increasing with setpoint, and the figure quoted in the range table is the switching differential value (as defined in BS6134) expressed as a percentage of the span at the mid range setpoint.

Ambient Temperature Ratings:

Enclosures are rated for continuous use over the temperature range -20° C to $+60^{\circ}$ C.

It is essential that the dewpoint of both pilot and switched supplies is at least 10°C below the ambient temperature, otherwise there is the risk of freezing up the valve.

Storage limits for all enclosures are -50° C to $+80^{\circ}$ C.

Exposure of the enclosure to direct sunlight should be such that the heat gain due to absorption of radiant energy does not cause the enclosure temperature to exceed the recommended maximum. Sufficient signal line cooling must always be provided to ensure that heat conduction from the process will not cause the switch enclosure to operate outside the stated ambient temperature limits.

Temperature Coefficient:

The additional error, relative to a setpoint calibration of 20°C, will not exceed 0.3% per 10°C change within the normal ambient temperature range of the switch enclosure.

Process Options:

For switches fitted with metallic diaphragms, a PTFE ring is incorporated on some ranges to provide additional sealing. Should PTFE not be compatible with the process media please contact HNL Technical Sales for advice on alternatives.

Specifications

Parameter definitions are in accordance with BS6134:1991 (Pressure and Vacuum Switches).







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