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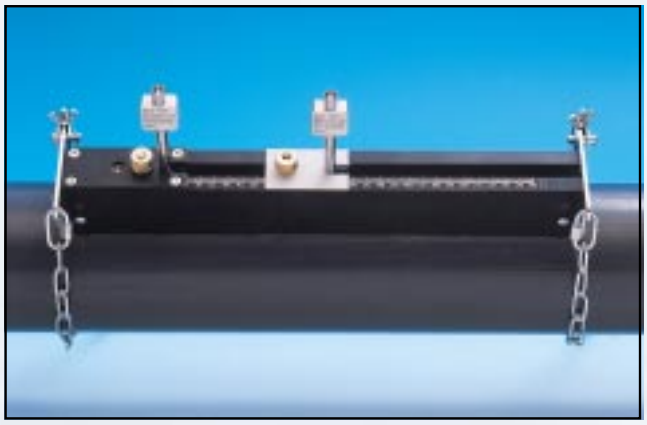
The Portaflow 300 brings a new simplicity to the non-invasive measurement of liquid flow. This clamp-on ultrasonic instrument offers the user quick and accurate flow measurement from outside the pipe.

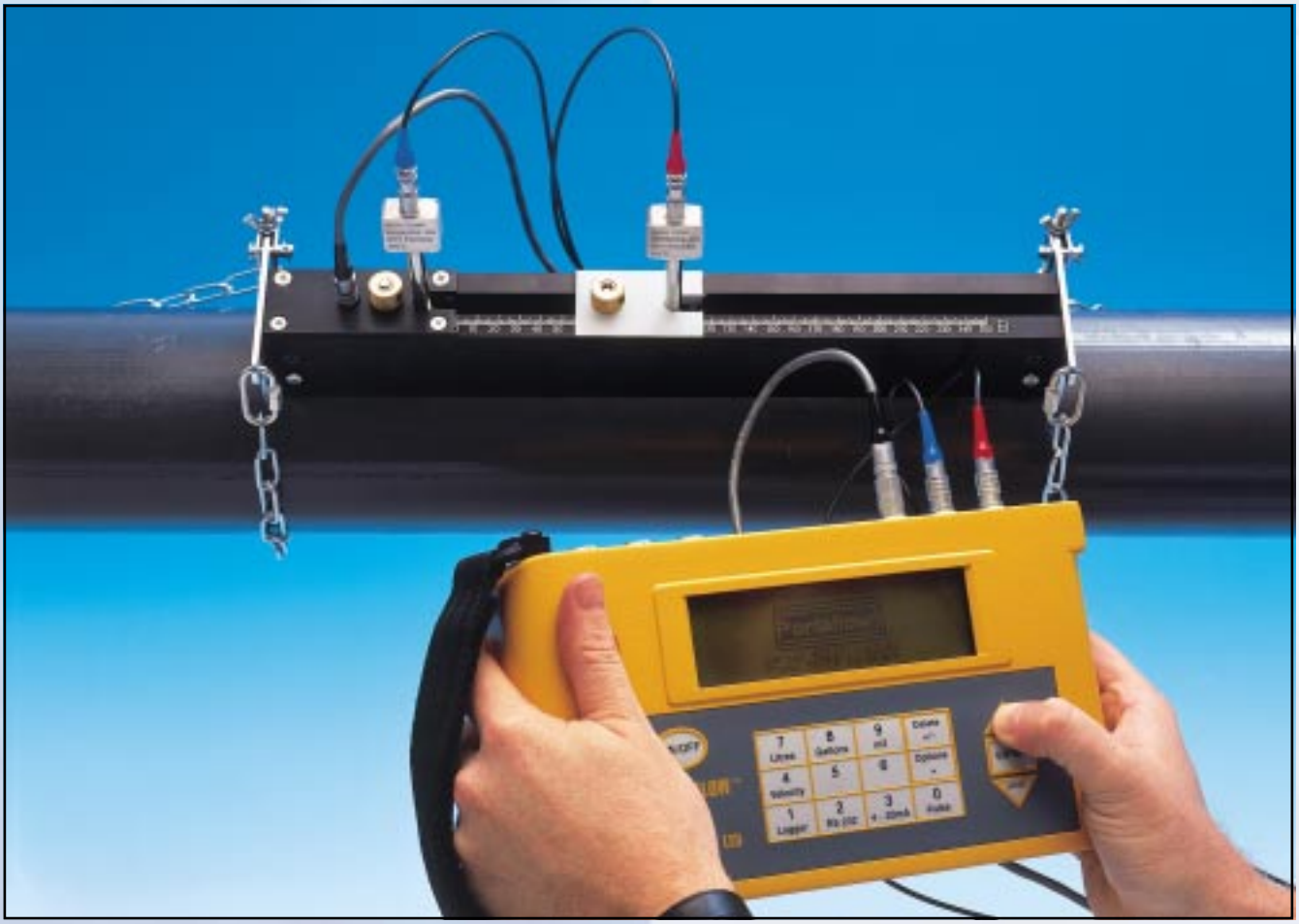
Micronics engineers have utilised their 15 years experience of developing portable flow measuring instruments to design a compact rugged and reliable unit. The instrument gives a digital readout of velocity or volumetric flow rate and total integrated flow in either imperial or metric units. Output include an RS232, 4-20mA and pulse that allow the user more versatility when collecting application data.

The Portaflow 300 is supplied in a waterproof carrying case which houses the electronics, transducer assemblies and all mounting hardware suitable for most flow applications. A separate carrying case is used when transducer set “D” is included within the kit of parts supplied.

The instrument is able to work on a wide variety of pipe sizes from 13mm up to 5000mm, simply by selecting the correct transducers and attaching them to the outside of the pipewall using the hardware provided.

Operation is push button easy such that the user is only required to know the pipe dimensions and the type of pipe wall material. All other application parameters can be measured by the instrument itself.



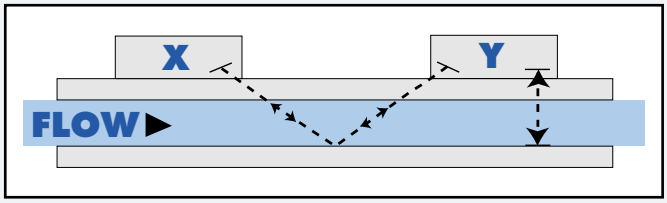


The Portaflow 300 can be applied to both clear and cloudy liquids in any type of pipe including those with composite walls.

It is user friendly, compact, lightweight and thanks to modern technology, low cost, both to purchase and operate.

PRINCIPLE

The Portaflow 300 is a Transit Time ultrasonic flow meter that has been designed to work with clamp-on transducers, thus enabling liquid flowing within a closed pipe to be measured accurately, without the need for any mechanical parts to be inserted through the pipe wall or to protrude into the flow system. When ultrasound is transmitted between transducers X and Y, the speed at which the sound travels through the liquid is accelerated slightly by the velocity of the liquid through the pipe. When ultrasound is transmitted in the opposite direction, the flow of the liquid causes the transmitted sound to decelerate. The subsequent time difference is directly proportional to the flow velocity in the pipe. Having measured the flow velocity and knowing the pipe cross-sectional area, the volumetric flow can be easily calculated. Micronics engineers have developed a measurement technique which has the ability to resolve extremely small time differences down to 25 pico seconds ($25x10^{-12}$ seconds), thus giving extremely good performance on small pipes or in large pipes with low velocity flows.

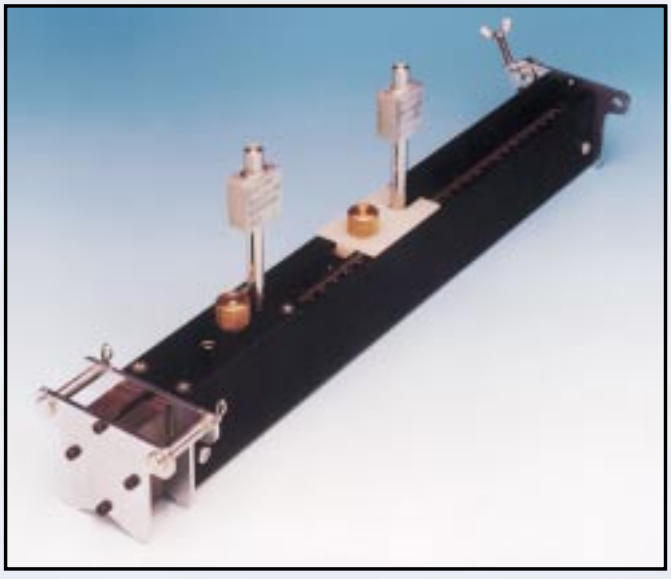


ELECTRONICS

The Portaflow 300 electronics are housed in an IP66 enclosure which incorporates the graphic display, keypad, sensor and output facility connections. The Microprocessor driven electronics makes the instrument respond quickly to any instructions given. Programming the unit is carried out by selecting the options displayed in the main menu and by following the simple instructions given. Flow readings can then be achieved on most applications within a few minutes. The use of rechargeable batteries allows the unit to be operated for a period in excess of 24 hours depending on the facilities used. Continuous operation via the PSU is possible while also recharging the battery pack. The graphic display provides flow data in large highly visible characters which can be enhanced by the use of the back light facility, making it possible to read the flow rate from a distance of 5-10 metres away under extremely poor lighting conditions. Error messages, battery status, signal strength, application temperature, time and date are all continuously displayed, as well as flow information in either numerical or graph format, keeping the user fully aware of the measurement process. Languages are available as an option, in English, French or German. They can be supplied on disc to be downloaded via the RS232 or already programmed into the instrument.

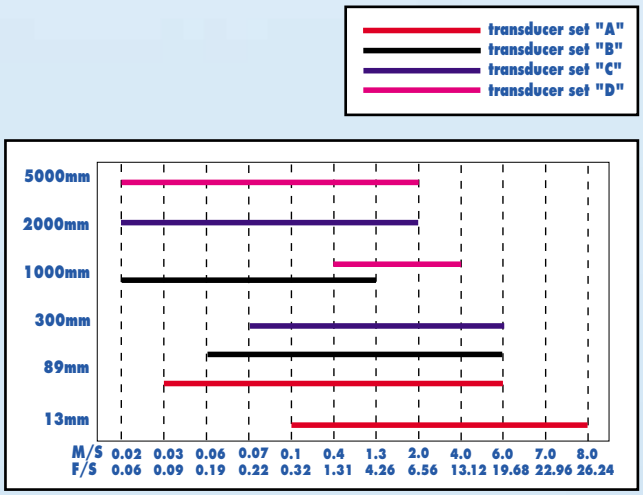
TRANSDUCERS

The Portaflow 300 is able to work with four different transducer sets, depending on the application. High temperature sensors are now supplied as standard. The instrument is supplied with transducer sets ‘A’ and ‘B’ as standard. Transducer sets ‘C’ and ‘D’ are available as options to increase the velocity and pipe range of the instrument. ‘D’ transducers will only work up to +80ºC and are supplied and are supplied seperately with webbing straps. Chains are used to secure the guide rails to the pipe. Magnetic assemblies are available for tghe ‘B’ guide rail only.



FLOW RANGE

Flow range is dependent on the pipe size and the velocity of the liquid being measured. The 4 transducer sets have been specifically designed to cover a wide range of pipe sizes and flow ranges. Transducer set ‘C’ trebles the velocity range of transducer set ‘B’, allowing for higher velocity flow to be measured on larger pipes. Transducers can be used in either Reflex or Diagonal mode to provide the performance best suited to every application.



DATA LOGGER

The built in data logger has a 100K memory which is able to log 50,000 readings. Data can be stored in 5 second to 1 hour intervals. Each individual site or application can be programmed with the name of your choice, which makes the stored data easily identifiable when being displayed on the screen or being downloaded. The data for each site is stored in the memory until it has been cleared. The stored data can be displayed on the instrument in text or graph format. The instrument is also capable of downloading the stored data via the RS232 output port to a printer or PC onto a standard spreadsheet.

INDUSTRY TYPES

- Water
- Building services
- Power generation
- Energy management
- Chemical
- Pharmaceutical
- Petro Chemical
- Food

USES

- Balancing Systems
- Leak detection
- Survey work
- Check system meters
- Environmental monitoring
- Pump efficiency
- Commissioning
- Emergency stand-by

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Electronic Enclosure

	IP66 Protection Class Material - High Density Polyurethane	
	Weight	: < 1.5 Kg
	Dimensions	: 275 x 150 x 55mm
	Display	: 240 x 64 Graphics LCD with Backlight
	Keypad	: IP68 16 key tactile membrane
	Connectors	: Lemo, IP66 protection
	Temperature Range	: -10°C to +50°C Operating
		: -10°C to +50°C Storage

Supply Voltage

Power supply/charger	Input	: 100-260V AC ±10% @50/60 Hz Max 9 watts
		: 9VDC unregulated

Battery Pack

Internal Batteries	5 x 4/3 AA Nickel Metal Hydride	: 24-30 hrs continuous operating on fully charged battery cells
	Recharge time	: 10-16 Hours

Output/Inputs

Languages	English/German/French	
Display	Volumetric Flow	: M^3, L, Galls, Imp, US Galls
	Flow Velocity	: metres/sec, feet/sec
	Flow Rate	: 0.2 m/sec... 12 m/sec to 4 significant figures
	Total Flow	: 12 digits Forward and Reverse
	Continuous battery level indication	
	Continuous level indication	
	ERROR Messages	
Analogue	4-20mA into 750Ω	: user definable scaling
	Resolution	: 0.1% of full scale
Pulse	5 Volts	
	Max. 1 pulse per second	: User Definable scaling

Data Logging

	Memory Capacity	100K (50,000 data points)
Output	Via RS232 or displayed Graphically	
Logs	Block data storage with text and graphic display, transferred to Microsoft Windows or Micronics user compatible software package (optional)	

Transducer Sets

	Pipe Size	Velocity Range
"A"	13mm to 115mm (standard)	0.2...4 m/sec to (8 m/sec)
"B"	50mm to 1000mm (standard)	0.2...8 m/sec to (12 m/sec)
"C" high velocity	300mm to 200mm (optional)	0.2...4 m/sec to (7 m/sec)
"D"	1000mm to 5000mm (optional)	0.2...4 m/sec to (7 m/sec)
	Temperature range	-20°C to +200°C standard
	Frequency	1MHz, 2MHz and 0.5MHz

Pipe materials

Any sonic conducting medium such as Carbon Steel, Stainless Steel, Copper, UPVC, PVDF, Concrete, Galvanised Steel, Mild Steel, Glass, Brass.
Including Lined Pipes - Epoxy/Rubber/Steel/Plastic.

Repeatability

±0.5% with unxhanged transducer positions.

Accuracy

± 1...2% of flow reading or ± 0.02 m/sec whichever is the greater
The specification assumes turbulent flow profile with Reynolds numbers above 4000

Micronics reserve the right to alter any specification without notification.

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