

Magnetic Level Switches

Magnetic-activated level switches for controlling liquid levels in most industrial applications. Instruments with rigid rod for vertical installation. Used for full automation of control management, including pressurised tanks, tubs, boilers and for the control of pumps, valves and alarm systems.

Standards and certifications:

Instruments compliant with the European Directive ATEX 94/9/EC. RINA, Lloyd Register and M.M.I. and Gost R approved.

Mounting

The RIL240 series level switches are installed vertically on the top of the tank or externally in a chamber connected to the tank.

Manufacturing characteristics

Materials and sizing are defined in relation to the characteristics of the liquid and the project conditions.



Modello RIL240 A made entirely of stainless steel, with weatherproof housing and thread connection.

Available types



RIL240 A

Type A is recommended for most industrial applications. All wetted parts are made totally of stainless steel.

Type A is equipped with reed switches, which allows control of up to six switching points with a single instrument.

Type A is equipped with a potentiometer transmitter allowing continuous reading of liquid level.



RIL240 PP

Type PP is recommended for corrosive liquids, such as acids and brines, where the use of stainless steel is not recommended.

All wetted parts are made entirely of PP-Polypropylene. Type PP is equipped with reed switches, which allow control of up to six switching points with a single instrument.

Type PP is equipped with a potentiometer transmitter allowing continuous reading of liquid level.



RIL240 B

Type B is recommended for liquids with low specific weight such as hydrocarbons and mineral oils. Floats are made of BUNA N, the other wetted parts are made entirely of stainless steel.

Type B is equipped with reed switch contacts, which allows the control of up to six switching points with a single instrument.

Type B is equipped with a potentiometer transmitter allowing the continuous reading of the liquid level.



RIL240 PF

Type PF is recommended for corrosive liquids, such as acids and brines, where the use of stainless steel is not recommended.

All wetted parts are made entirely of PVDF-Polyvinylidene fluoride.

The PF is equipped with reed switch contacts, which allows control of up to six switching points with a single instrument.

The PF is equipped with a potentiometer transmitter allowing continuous reading of liquid level.



RIL240 PC

Type PC is recommended for corrosive liquids, such as acids and brines, where the use of stainless steel is not recommended.

All wetted parts are made entirely of PVC-Polyvinylchloride.

Type PC is equipped with reed switch contacts, which allows the control of up to six switching points with a single instrument.

Type PC is equipped with a potentiometer transmitter allowing the continuous reading of the liquid level.



RIL240 CD

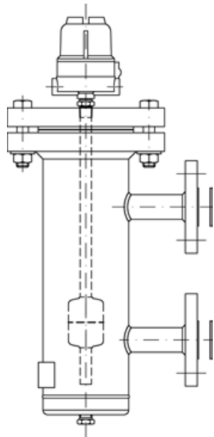
The compact type CD is recommended for applications in hydraulic control units. It can also be used with liquids with low specific weight such as hydrocarbons and mineral oils. The floats are made of stainless steel or BUNA N, the other wetted parts are made of stainless steel.

The compact type CD can be equipped with reed switch contacts, allowing control of up to two switching points with a single instrument. In place of the housing, a three-pin DIN connector with flying plug is used.



RIL240 FL (Free Wires)

Model FL is designed for naval applications. Float built in stainless steel or BUNA N; other wetted parts built in stainless steel. Model FL can be fitted only with reed switch contacts, with a single tool allows to control up to three fixed switching points. The FL is not equipped with housing. A sheath of heatshrinkable material protects the output cable. The enclosure rating is IP67.



RIL240 C (in Chamber)

Version C is provided with restraint chamber, for installations external to the tank, according to PED 97/23/CE. The C type is designed to show local fluid level is also available a sight glass, on request. Floats are built in stainless steel or BUNA N, connections to the process and chamber camera in ASTM or AISI 316. Fittings with reed switch contacts, to control up to three switching points with a single tool. The C type is fitted with potentiometric transmitter, allows the continuous reading of the liquid level. On request, it is possible the simultaneous presence of reed-switches and transmitter, placed on two separate rods.



RIL240 M (metric)

Model M is designed for applications on tanks that are not provided with level gauge and which requires manual and visual reading of the level. The level reading is achieved using a scale tape inserted into the rod: slowly pulling out the tape, it is possible to detect the liquid level through the interaction of the magnet of the float and the magnet on the bottom of the graduated tape. Floats are built in stainless steel or BUNA N, other wetted parts built in stainless steel.

Specifications

Housings

Protection degree IP67 and IP68 on request.
For general applications in weatherproof execution.
For hazardous areas in explosion-proof execution ATEX Ex II 1/2 G
EEx d IIC T6, T5 resp. T4 certified.
Only for TOR CD DIN IP64 connector.

Electrical equipment

SPST
SPDT
DPDT (two simultaneous SPDT contacts)

potentiometer transmitter

Reed switch chain transmitter with divisions reading every 5, 10, 20 mm. Converter for output signal 4÷20 mA,
Available for safe areas or ATEX EEx-i certified approved for plants.
Also available with Hart® protocol, suitable for intrinsically safety,
ATEX EEx-ia certified.
Can only be used with types A - B - PC - PP - PF.

Operating principle

One or more magnetic contacts (reed switches) or a reed switch 'chain' potentiometer transmitter are placed inside a sealed vertical tube, joined to the locking system.

Contacts

One or more floats, free to slide along the guide tube depending on the liquid level inside the tank, acting magnetically on contacts placed at the operation point, switching their status from normally open (NO) to normally closed (NC) position or vice versa.
Switching points are always field adjustable.

Transmitter

A float, free to slide along the guide tube depending on the liquid level inside the tank, acts magnetically on the transmitter.
The level is continuously transmitted.

Length of rod

Minimum length 100 mm
Maximum length 5000 mm

Wetted parts

Flanged or threaded

Floats

Steel	A105	1	304LSS	2	316LSS	3	316LSS	A	Titanium	B	Monel	C	Hastelloy	D
Plastic	PVC	4	PP	5	PVDF	6	PVC	E	PP	F	PVDF	G	Buna N	H

Float diameters to be used with flanged connection

Steel	Ø44	44	Flanges ≥ DN50 - 2" ASME (ANSI)	Ø55	55	Flanges ≥ DN65 - 2½" ASME (ANSI)
				Ø72	72	Flanges ≥ DN80 - 3" ASME (ANSI)
Buna N	Ø44	44	Flanges ≥ DN50 - 2" ASME (ANSI)	Ø58	58	Flanges ≥ DN65 - 2½" ASME (ANSI)
Plastic	Ø70	70	Flanges ≥ DN80 - 3" ASME (ANSI)	Ø55	55	Flanges ≥ DN65 - 2½" ASME (ANSI)

Float diameters to be used with threaded connections

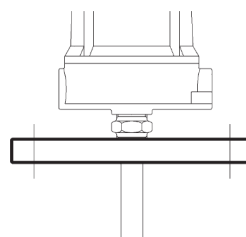
Steel	Ø44	44	Thread ≥ G 1½" M (NPT not applicable)	Ø55	55	Thread ≥ G 2" M (NPT not applicable)
	Ø30	30	Thread ≥ G 1" M	Ø72	72	Thread ≥ G 3" M
Buna N	Ø30	30	Thread ≥ G 1" M	Ø58	58	Thread ≥ G 2½" M
	Ø44	44	Thread ≥ G 1½" M			
Plastic	Ø70	70	Thread ≥ G 2½" M	Ø55	55	Thread ≥ G 2" M (NPT not applicable)

Note: the size of the float is subject to fluid specific gravity; the sizes shown are for standard floats.
Other sizes can be made on request

Process connections - UNI and ASME (ANSI) flanges

UNI	PN 6	PN 10/16	PN 40	PN 64
DN 50	UA	UB	UC	UD
DN 65	UE	UF	UG	UH
DN 80	UI	UL UM	UN	UO
DN 100	UP	UQ	UR	US
DN 125	UT	UU	UV	UZ

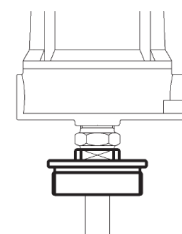
ANSI	150	300	600
2"	AA	AB	AC
2½"	AD	AE	AF
3"	AG	AJ	AH
4"	AI	AL	AM
5"	AN	AO	AP



Flanges are available in other sizes on request.

Process connections - Threads

G M	
1½"	FA
2"	FB
2½"	FC
3"	FD
4"	FE



Threads are available in other sizes on request.

Design conditions

TMA - Maximum allowable temperature

Steel	-110 +200°C
Buna N	-20 +80°C
Plastic - PVC	-20 +70°C
Plastic - PP	-20 +105°C
Plastic - PVDF	-20 +130°C

PMA - Maximum allowable pressure

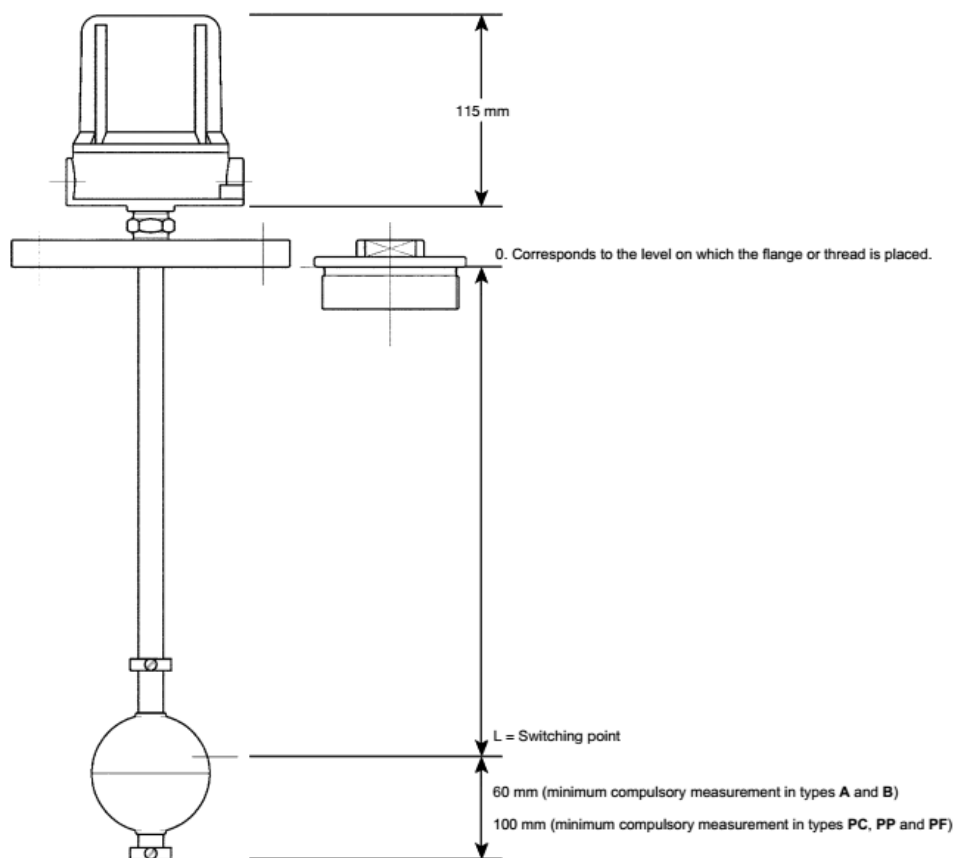
Steel	< 100 bar
Buna N	< 16 bar
Plastic	< 16 bar

Fluid specific gravity

Steel and plastic	> 0,8 kg/l
Buna N / Titanium	> 0,5 kg/l

Differential: fixed 8 mm

Model RIL240 A with weatherproof housing, steel float and a reed switch contact



Electrical equipment and housings for RIL240 series magnetic level switches

The electrical equipment in RIL240 series magnetic level switches comprises one or more reed switch contacts, fitted inside a sealed stainless steel tube.

Wires are welded to the contacts connected to the terminal board inside the housing.

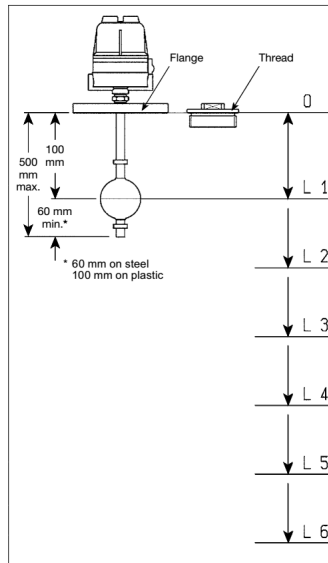
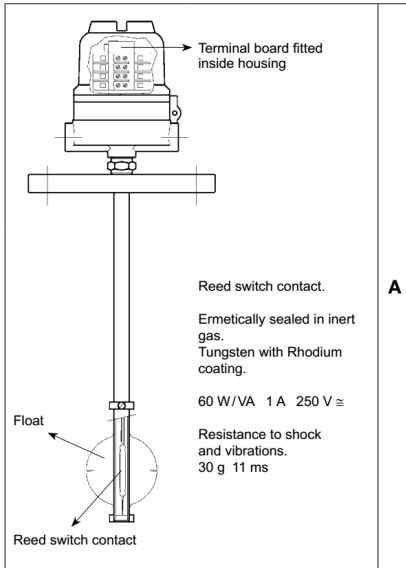
Contacts are activated by floats that slide along the tube.

The floats contain a magnetic system that, when the level of liquid rises or falls, switch the state of each contact quickly and reliably.

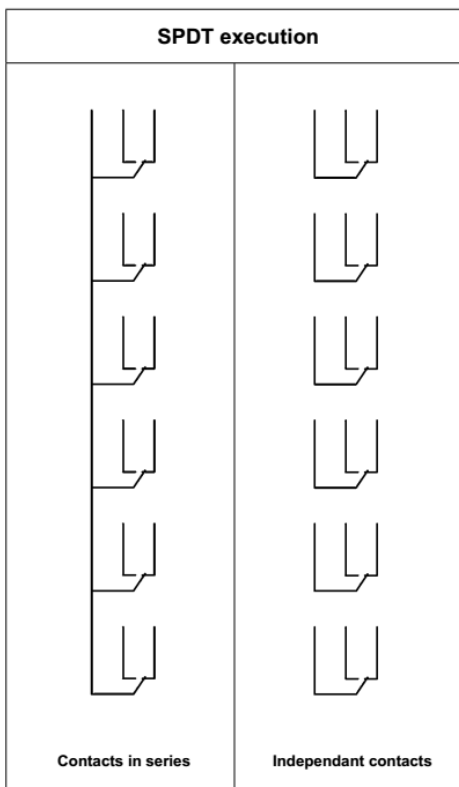
The position of the contacts at the required switching points are set in the factory but is always field adjustable.



Reed switch contact characteristics



SPDT execution	1
DPDT execution (2 simultaneous SPDT contacts)	2



Maximum number of contacts per instrument

The terminal board inside the housing can connect a maximum number of 18 cables.

Each contact has the following number of wires:

- 3 wires in SPDT contacts
- 6 wires in DPDT contacts

The various possible combinations of contacts must be taken into account:

(Example of how many contacts can be installed in one instrument:

- 6 SPDT or
- 2 SPDT + 2 DPDT or
- 5 SPDT or
- 4 SPDT + 1 DPDT etc.).

Potentiometer transmitter characteristics

A potentiometer, a device comprising a printed circuit board on which a reed/resistance chain is welded, is placed inside the float's vertical guide tube.

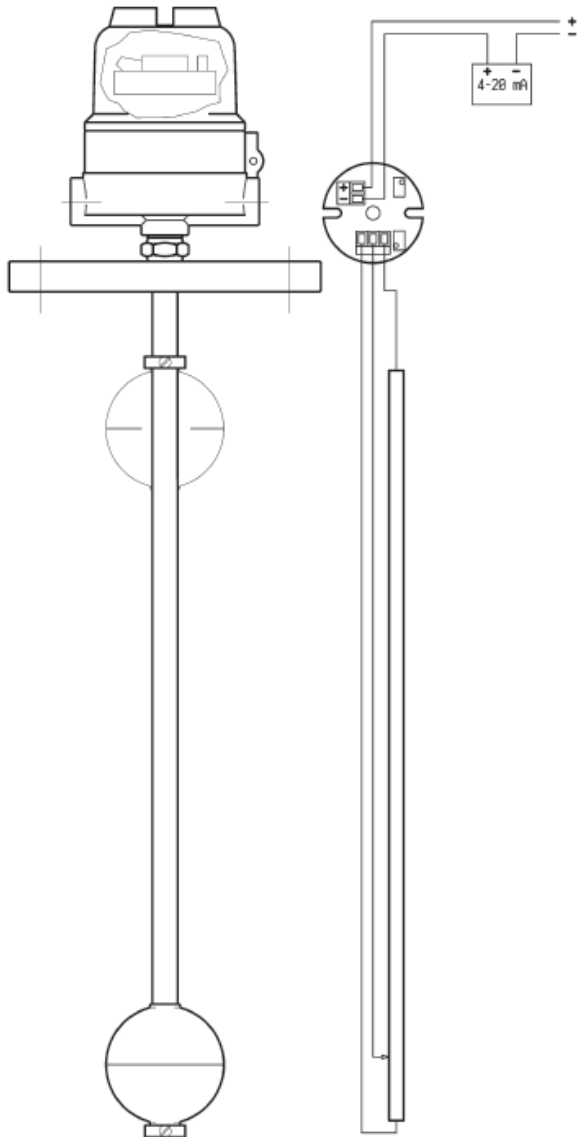
The total resistance of a known value is measured at the ends of this potentiometer.

The float, following the liquid level trend, activates the potentiometer's reed contact chain through its own magnetic field, locally closing the signal. The total value of the resistance, is measured 100% at its maximum level and 0% at its minimum level.

The end poles of the potentiometer are connected to a converter that transforms the input value into Ohm and the output into mA.

Reading resolution available: 5, 10, 20 mm

Resistance input $1\text{ k} \div 100\text{ k Ohm}$.



Converter characteristics

The Ohm-mA signal converters are inside the housing.

Three types of converter are available:

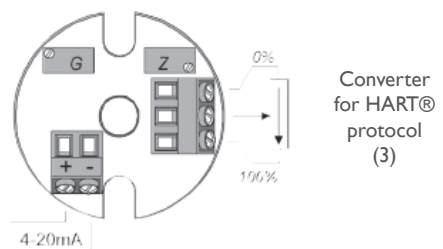
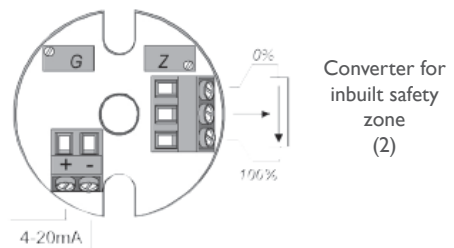
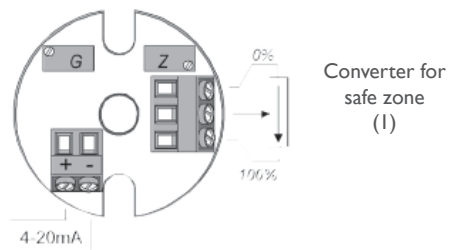
- Converter for safe zone
- Converter for inbuilt safety zone, ATEX certified.
- Converter suitable for HART® protocol, intrinsically safe, ATEX certified

Resistance input $1\text{ k} \div 100\text{ k Ohm}$

Current output $4 \div 20\text{ mA}$

Type 1 and 2 converters can be field set using two trimmers [for the Z (zero) gauging and G (Gain) gauging], without resorting to interconnecting systems.

The type 3 converter must be regulated with an interconnection cable.

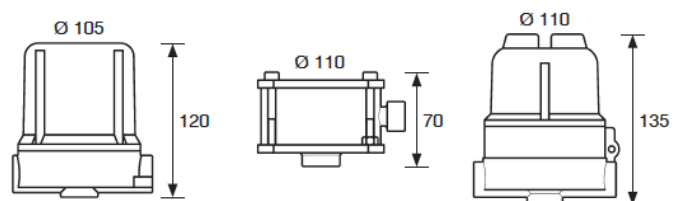


Electrical connections

The housings allow for two cable entry points which are available as follows:

Standard	G ½" F	A
Explosion-proof	Gk ½" F	B
On request	½" NPT F	C
On request	M 20x1,5	D
On request	PG 13,5	E

Dimensions (approximate) in mm



Housing

The RIL240 series magnetic level switch housings are available in various forms to meet all possible application needs and are suited to most environmental and safety conditions.

They are available in the normal version for general use and the explosion-proof version for use in hazardous areas.



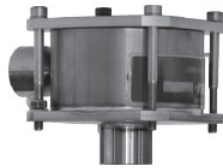
Weatherproof housing (1)

Type 1 is designed for use on general purpose industrial applications.

Manufactured using pressure die-cast aluminium and protected with polyamide paint.

Protection degree IP67.

Up to two cable entrances.



Weatherproof housing (2)

The type 2 has been designed for lower temperature applications, installation in high concentration saline environments and for use in the food industry.

Manufactured entirely in stainless steel.

Protection degree IP67.

On request IP68.

Up to two cable entrances



Explosion-proof housing (3)

The type 3 has an explosionproof housing - ATEX certified Ex II 1/2 G EEx d IIC T6, T5 resp. T4 for use in hazardous areas.

Manufactured using pressure die-cast aluminium with a polyamide paint.

Protection degree IP67.

Up to two cable entrances.

How to request and order the RIL240

Each unit is identified by a unique alphanumeric code that defines the manufacturing characteristics that best suits the application. Please confirm the following information before commencement of the product configuration.

1. type of fluid:
2. fluid temperature (min and max):
3. tank height or at least maximum point of intervention:
4. tank construction material:
5. Is a continuous measurement of the level or of the on/off contacts required?:
6. Flanged or threaded connection preference?:

How to order spare parts

The components subject to possible wear or damage are:

- a. Floating
- b. Electric crew

For the request it is necessary to supply the serial number of the instrument placed on the identification plate.