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1 Important information

The instructions for use contain all required information for a fast commissioning and a safe operation of the $\textbf{SCHMIDT}^{\texttt{®}}$ Flow sensor SS 20.260:

- These instructions for use must be read completely and observed carefully, before putting the unit into operation.
- Any claims under the manufacturer's liability for damage resulting from non-observance or non-compliance with these instructions will become void.
- Tampering with the device in any way whatsoever with the exception of the designated use and the operations described in these instructions for use - will forfeit any warranty and exclude any liability.
- The unit is designed exclusively for the use described below (see *chapter 2*). In particular, it is not designed for direct or indirect protection of personal or machinery.
- SCHMIDT Technology cannot give any warranty as to its suitability for certain purpose and cannot be held liable for accidental or sequential damage in connection with the delivery, performance or use of this unit.

Symbols used in this manual

The symbols used in this manual are explained in the following section.



Danger warnings and safety instructions – read them carefully!

Non-observance of these instructions may lead to injury of personnel or malfunction of the device.

General note

All dimensions are indicated in mm.

2 Application range

The **SCHMIDT**[®] **Flow sensor SS 20.260** (article number: 506690) is designed for stationary measurement of the flow velocity as well as the temperature of pure¹ air and gases under atmospheric pressure.

The sensor is based on the measuring principle of a thermal anemometer and measures the mass flow of the measuring medium as flow velocity which is output in a linear way as standard velocity² w_N (unit: m/s), based on standard conditions of 1013.25 hPa and 20 °C. Thus, the resulting output signal is independent of pressure and temperature of the medium to be measured. The sensor is designed for the use inside closed rooms and is not suitable for outdoor use.



When using the sensor outdoors, it must be protected against direct exposure to the weather.

3 Mounting instructions

General information on handling

The **SS 20.260** is a precision instrument with high measuring sensitivity. In spite of the robust construction of the sensor tip soiling of the inner sensor elements can lead to distortion of measurement results (see also *chapter 8 Service information*). During procedures that could stimulate soiling like transport, mounting or dismounting of the sensor it is recommended to place the enclosed **SCHMIDT Technology** protective cap on the sensor tip and remove it only during operation.



During processes with enhanced risks of soiling such as transport or mounting the protective cap should be placed onto the sensor tip.

General installation conditions

The sensor measures the flow speed correctly only in the direction given on the housing and sensor head (arrow). Make sure that the sensor is adjusted in flow direction; a tilting of up to $\pm 3^{\circ}$ is allowed³.



The sensor measures unidirectional and must be adjusted correctly relative to the flow direction.

¹ No chemically aggressive parts / abrasive particles. Check suitability in individual cases.

² Corresponds to the actual flow velocity under standard conditions.

³ Measurement deviation < 1 %

A sensor mounted in opposite direction of the flow direction leads to wrong measuring values (too high).



Due to system characteristics the lower measuring range limit of the sensor is 0.2 m/s.



At lower flow velocities (< 2 m/s) the measured medium temperature is too high.

The center of the chamber head is the actual measuring point of the flow measurement and must be placed in the flow as advantageous as possible, for example in the middle of a pipe (see Figure 1). Therefore this point is also used for specification of probe length L (see Figure 2).

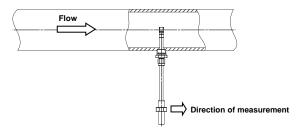


Figure 1 Positioning in a pipe



In closed systems the sensor head must be located in the center of the pipe.

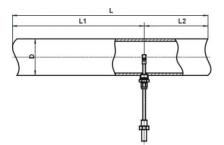
Installation with low disturbance

Local turbulences of the medium can cause distortion of measurement results. Therefore, appropriate mounting conditions must be guaranteed to ensure that the gas flow is supplied to the sensor in a quiet and low in turbulence state in order to maintain the accuracy specified (see chapter *9 Technical data*).



Correct measurements require quiet flow, as low-turbulence as possible (laminar).

An undisturbed flow profile can be achieved if a sufficiently long distance in front of (run-in distance) and behind (run-out distance) the sensor installation site (see Figure 2) is held absolutely straight and without disturbances (such as edges, seams, bends etc.). It is also necessary to pay attention to the design of the run-out distance because disturbances also generate turbulences **against** the flow direction.



- L = Length of entire measuring distance
- L1 = Length of run-in distance
- L2 = Length of run-out distance
- D = Inner diameter of measuring distance

Figure 2

The following Table 1 shows the required straight conduit lengths depending on the pipe inner diameter "D" and the different disturbance causes.

Flow obstacle upstream of the measuring dis- tance	Minimum length of L1	Minimum length of L2
Light bend (< 90°)	10 x D	5 x D
Reduction / expansion / 90° bend or T-junction	15 x D	5 x D
Two 90° bends in one plane (2-dimensional)	20 x D	5 x D
Two 90° bends (3-dimensional change in direction)	35 x D	5 x D
Shut-off valve	45 x D	5 x D

Table 1

This table lists the **minimum values** required in each case. If it is not possible to observe the specified abatement distances, increased deviations of the measurement results are to be expected or it is necessary to take additional measures⁴. The profile factors specified in Table 2 may become void by the use of flow rectifiers.

Calculation of volume flow

If the cross section area of the pipe is known, the output signal of the flow speed can be used to calculate the standard volumetric flow of the medium. By means of a correction factor PF^5 , which depends on the pipe diameter the measured value can be converted to an averaged flow $\overline{w_v}$ which is constant over the whole pipe cross-section.

Thus, it is possible to calculate the standard volumetric flow of the medium using the measured standard flow velocity in a pipe with known inner diameter:

⁴ For example, use of flow rectifiers like honeycombs made of plastic or ceramics.

⁵ Considers parabolic flow profile and sensor obstruction.

$$\begin{split} A &= \frac{\pi}{4} \cdot D^2 & D & \text{Inner diameter of pipe [m]} \\ \overline{w}_N &= PF \cdot w_N & W_N & \text{Flow velocity in the middle of the pipe [m/s]} \\ \dot{V}_N &= \overline{w}_N \cdot A \cdot 3600 & \overline{w}_N & \text{Average flow velocity in the pipe [m/s]} \\ PF & \text{Profile factor (for pipes with circular cross-sections)} \\ \vdots & \vdots \\ \end{split}$$

 \dot{V}_{N} Standard volumetric flow [m³/h]

Table 2 lists profile factors and volume flow measuring ranges (with certain sensor measuring ranges) for standard pipe diameters.

Diameter of measuring pipe		Profile	Measuring range of volumetric flow [m ³ /h			low [m³/h]		
Nominal	Norm	value	Inner	faktor	Min. @	@ sensor measuring range [m/s		ange [m/s]
size	DN	[inch]	[mm]	PF	0,2 m/s	2,5 m/s	20 m/s	50 m/s
25	25	1	26.0	0.796	0.30	3.80	30.4	76.1
	32		32,8	0.796	0.48	6.05	48.4	121
		1 1/4	36,3	0.770	0.57	7.17	57.4	143
40	40	1 1/2	39,3	0.748	0.65	8.17	65.3	163
			43,1	0.757	0.80	9.94	79.5	199
			45,8	0.763	0.91	11.3	90.5	226
50	50	2	51,2	0.772	1.14	14.3	114	286
			57,5	0.777	1.45	18.2	145	363
65	65	2 1/2	70,3	0.786	2.20	27.5	220	549
			76,1	0.792	2.59	32.4	259	648
80	80	3	82,5	0.797	3.07	38.3	307	767
100	100	4	100,8	0.804	4.62	57.7	462	1.155
125	125	5	125,0	0.812	7.17	89.7	717	1.794
150	150	6	150,0	0.817	10.4	130	1.040	2.599
180			182,5	0.825	15.5	194	1.554	3.885
200	200	8	206,5	0.829	20.0	250	1.999	4.998
	250	10	260,4	0.835	32.0	400	3.202	8.004
300	300	12	309,7	0.840	45.6	570	4.556	11.390
	350	14	339,6	0.842	54.9	686	5.491	13.728
400	400	16	389	0.845	72.2	903	7.223	18.058
450	450	18	437	0.847	91.5	1.143	9.147	22.867
500	500	20	486	0.850	114	1.419	11.353	28.383
600	600	24	585	0.854	165	2.066	16.527	41.317
700	700	28	684	0.857	227	2.834	22.673	56.683
800	800	32	783	0.859	298	3.723	29.781	74.452
900	900	36	882	0.862	379	4.740	37.920	94.800
1000	1000	40	980	0.864	469	5.865	46.923	117.308

SCHMIDT Technology provides a convenient calculation tool to compute flow velocity or volume flow in pipes for all its sensor types and measuring ranges. This "Flow Calculator" can be directly used on or downloaded from SCHMIDT homepage:

http://www.schmidt-sensors.com/ Or http://www.schmidttechnology.com/

Mounting in a wall

The housing has an external thread M18 x 1 (19 mm long) for direct mounting on or in the medium separating wall. Its advantage liis in the simplicity of installation without special accessories; however, the immersion depth is defined by the probe length in this case and this method requires access from both sides for operation.

- Drill a bore in the wall with 13 ... 14 mm diameter.
- Carefully insert measuring probe with an attached protection sleeve into the bore so that the mounting block of the enclosure is in contact with the wall.
- Screw on the enclosed fastening nut by hand on the medium side, turn sensor into required position and tighten fastening nut (SW22) while holding up the enclosure on the mounting block by means of SW30.



Angular deviation should not be greater than $\pm\,3^\circ$ relative to flow direction.

- Check the set angular position carefully, for example by means of a spirit level at the octagonal part of the sensor enclosure.
- Finally, remove protective cap from sensor tip.

Mounting with a through-bolt joint

The sensor is installed using a special through-bolt joint (517206). Normally, a sleeve is welded as a connecting piece onto a bore in the medium-guiding pipe, in which the external thread (G¹/₂) of the through-bolt joint is screwed (see Figure 3).

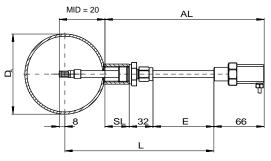


Figure 3

- L Sensor length [mm] Outer diameter of the pipe [mm] Da
- SL Length of the weld-in sleeve [mm]
- F. Sensor tube setting length [mm]
- ALProjecting length [mm]
- MID Minimum immersion depth [mm]
- Bore a mounting opening in a pipe wall.
- Weld connecting piece with an internal thread G¹/₂ resp. Rp¹/₂ centered above the mounting opening of the pipe. Recommended length of sleeve: 15 ... 40 mm
- If necessary wrap thread of through-bolt joint with common sealing . tape, for example made of PTFE.
- Screw thread of through-bolt joint by hand into connecting piece then . tighten it firmly with a fork wrench (SW27).
- Remove spigot nut of through-bolt joint and extract both seal halves.
- Remove protective cap from sensor tip and attach spigot nut on sensor probe.
- Insert probe in threaded part of through-bolt joint, attach seal halves . and screw on spigot nut manually to such an extent that the sensor probe can be inserted without jamming.
- In case of a longer sensor probe push it partly into the pipe as required.



Always avoid bending of the probe during screwing.

- Carefully slide probe so that the center of the chamber head is placed at the optimum measuring position in the middle of the pipe.
- Tighten spigot nut slightly by hand so that sensor is fixed.
- Adjust sensor manually at its enclosure into required measuring direction and precise position while maintaining immersion depth.
- Hold sensor and tighten spigot nut by turning the fork wrench (SW17) a quarter of a turn.

Recommended torque: 10 ... 15 Nm

• Check the set angular position carefully, for example by means of a spirit level at the octagonal part of the sensor enclosure.



Angular deviation should not be greater than \pm 3° relative to the ideal measuring direction. Otherwise, the measurement accuracy may be affected.

• In case of wrong adjustment, the through-bolt joint has to be loosened and the alignment procedure must be repeated.

Mounting accessories

Type / article No.	Drawing	Mounting
Clamp ⁶ a.) 524 916 b.) 524 882	897 97 8 97 8 97 8 97 8 97 8 97 8 97 8	 Internal thread Rp½ Material: a.) Steel, black b.) Stainless steel 1.4571
Compression fitting Brass 517 206	51 12 0 5 5 5 5 5 5 5 5 5 5 5 5 5 5 5 5 5 5	 Immersion sensor Pipe (typ.), wall Screwing into a welding stud Material: Brass PTFE, NBR Atmospheric pressure use!

⁶ Must be welded.

4 Electrical connection

The sensor is equipped with a 4-pin cable firmly fixed to the sensor enclosure (pin assignment refers to Table 4).

Wire color		Designation	Function
Brown	(BR)	Power	Operating voltage: +U _B
White	(WH)	GND	Operating voltage: Ground
Yellow	(YE)	Analog w_{N}	Output signal: Flow velocity
Green	(GN)	Analog T _M <i>or</i> AGND	Output signal: Temperature of medium or Ground connection of analog output

Table 4



During electrical installation ensure that no voltage is applied and inadvertent activation is not possible.

The cable has a standard length of 2 m, but lengths of 2.5 up to 100 m can be ordered optionally.

Operating voltage

For proper operation the sensor requires DC voltage with a nominal value of 24 V with permitted tolerance of ± 10 %. It is protected against a polarity reversal; typical operating current is 40 mA, at maximum 60 mA⁷.



Only operate sensor within the defined range of operating voltage (24 V DC \pm 10 %).

Undervoltage may result in malfunction; overvoltage may lead to irreversible damage to the sensor.

The specifications for the operating voltage are valid for the internal connection of the sensor. Voltage drops generated due to cable resistances must be considered by the customer.

Analog outputs

The basic sensor variant ("-1"), which measures only flow velocity, can be ordered with tension $(0 \ ... \ 10 \ V)^8$ or current interface $(4 \ ... \ 20 \ mA)$. The enhanced version ("-2") with an additional analog output for signalizing medium temperature comes with 2 current interfaces. Either type of analog output is short-circuit protected against both rails of the operating voltage U_B .

⁷ Both signal outputs 22 mA (maximum measuring values), minimum operating voltage.

⁸ It is recommended, to use AGND as measuring reference potential for tension output.

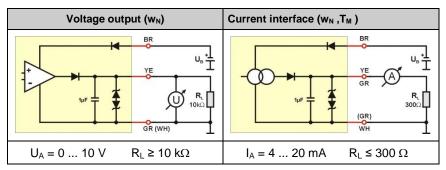


Figure 4

The apparent ohmic resistance R_L must be connected between the signal output and GND (see Figure 4).

Load capacity C_L is limited to a maximum of 10 nF.

5 Signalization

Light emitting diodes

The sensor is equipped with 2 light emitting diodes (LED) indicating its functional state.



Figure 5

Operating state	LED 1	LED 2
Supply voltage: none, wrong polarity, too low	0	0
Sensor ready for operation	\bigcirc	0
Supply voltage too high <i>or</i> Medium temperature beyond specification range		0
Sensor defective	\bigcirc	

Table 5



LED flashes (approx. 2 Hz): green

LED on: green

LED flashes (approx. 2 Hz): red

Analog outputs

Error signaling

In current mode the interface delivers 2 mA⁹. In voltage mode the output switches to 0 V.

Representation of flow velocity

The measuring range of the corresponding measuring value is mapped in a linear way to the signaling range of its analog output.

For flow measurement the measuring range reaches from zero to the selectable end of the measuring range $w_{N,max}$ (= 100 % in Figure 6). A higher flow up to 110 % of range (= 11 V or 21.6 mA) is still output in a linear way, moreover the signal remains constant.

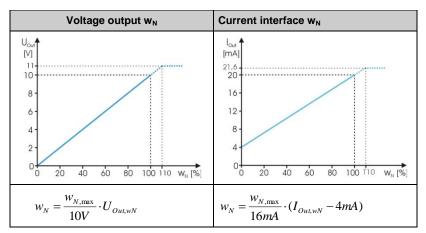


Figure 6 Representation for flow velocity

• Representation of medium temperature

The measuring range of the medium temperature is -20 to +120 °C (Figure 7). Falling below this temperature it is still output in a linear way down to -30 °C (3 mA), going deeper the signal remains constant. An exceeded of the temperature range is output in a linear way up to +130 °C (21.2 mA), moreover this output remains constant.



For a correct temperature measurement, the flow velocity on the sensor head must be > 2 m/s. An excessive temperature value is output if flow velocity is < 2 m/s.

⁹ In accordance with NAMUR specification.

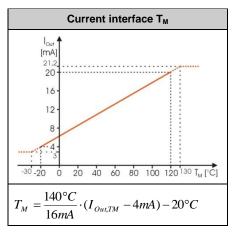


Figure 7 Representation for medium temperature



Even short-term overshooting of the operating medium temperature can cause irreversible damage of the sensor.

6 Startup

Prior to switching on the **SCHMIDT**[®] **Flow sensor SS 20.260**, the following checks have to be carried out:

- Immersion depth of the sensor probe and alignment of the housing
- Tightening of the fastening screw of the compression fitting
- Correct electrical connection in the field (switch cabinet or similar)



Prior to startup the sensor check mounting and electrical connection.

5 seconds after switch-on the sensor is ready for operation. If the sensor has another temperature than the ambient, this time is prolonged until the sensor has reached its ambient temperature.

If the sensor has been stored at very cold conditions, before commissioning you have to wait until the sensor and its housing have reached ambient temperature.

7 Information concerning operation



Soiling or other gratings on the sensor cause distortions of measurements.

Therefore, the sensor must be checked for soiling at regular intervals and cleaned if necessary.



(Condensing) liquid on the sensor causes serious measurement distortions.

After drying the correct measuring function is restored.

Eliminating malfunctions

The following Table 6 lists possible errors (error images). A description of the way to detect errors is given. Furthermore, the possible causes and measures to be taken to eliminate errors are listed.

Error image		Possible causes	Troubleshooting		
I _{wN} , I _{TM} = 0 mA		Problems with supply voltage U _B : > No U _B available > U _B has wrong polarity > U _B < 15 V Sensor defective	 Sensor cable connected correctly? Supply voltage connected to the control? Supply cable broken? Power supply unit large enough? 		
О І _{wn} , І _{тм} =	2 mA	Sensor element defective	Send in sensor for repair		
		Operating voltage too high	Check the operating voltage and reduce it		
I_{wN} , I_{TM} =	= 2 mA				
Flow signal w _N is too large / small		Measuring range too small /large Medium is not air Sensor element soiled Sensor installed in opposite direc- tion to flow direction	Check sensor configuration Check measuring resistance Is the foreign gas factor correct? Clean sensor tip Check the installation direction		
Flow signal w _N is fluctuating		 U_B unstable Mounting conditions: > Sensor head is not in optimal position > Run-in/run-out distance is too short Strong fluctuations of pressure or temperature 	Check the voltage supply Check mounting conditions Check operating parameters		

8 Service information

Maintenance

Soiling of the sensor head may lead to distortion of the measured value. Therefore, the sensor head must be checked for contamination at regular intervals. If contaminations are visible, the sensor can be cleaned as described below.

Cleaning of sensor head

If the sensor head is soiled or dusty, it must be cleaned <u>carefully</u> by means of compressed air.



The sensor head is a sensitive measuring system. During manual cleaning proceed with great care.

In case of persistent deposits, the sensor chip as well as the interior of the chamber head can be cleaned carefully by using residue-free drying alcohol (e.g. isopropyl alcohol) or soapy water with special cotton swabs.



Figure 8-1 Suitable cotton swabs with small cleaning pads

For this purpose cotton swabs that have small, soft cotton pads are suitable, e.g. type "SP4" of the brand "CONSTIX Swabs" of the manufacturer "CONTEC". The flat, narrow side of the pads fit just between chamber head wall and sensor chip and therefore exerts a controlled, minimal pressure on the chip. Conventional cotton swabs are too big and therefore can break the chip.



Under no circumstances do attempt to pressurize the chip with greater force (e.g. by swabs with thick head or lever movements with its stick).

Mechanical overloading of the sensor element can lead to irreversible damage.

The sticks must be moved only with great care parallel to the chip surface back - and – forth to rub off the pollution. If necessary, several cotton swabs have to be used.

Before putting it into operation again, wait until the sensor head is completely dried. The drying process can be accelerated by gently blowing

If this procedure does not help, the sensor must be sent to **SCHMIDT Technology** for cleaning or repair.

Transport / shipment of the sensor

Before transport or shipment of the sensor, the delivered protective cap must be placed onto the sensor tip. Avoid soiling or mechanical stress.

Calibration

If the customer has made no other provisions, we recommend repeating the calibration at a 12-month interval. To do so, the sensor must be sent in to the manufacturer.

Spare parts or repair

No spare parts are available, since a repair is only possible at the manufacturer's facilities. In case of defects the sensors must be sent in to the producer for repair.

If the sensor is used in systems important for operation, we recommend you to keep a replacement sensor in stock.

Test certificates and material certificates

Every new sensor is accompanied by a certificate of compliance according to EN10204-2.1. Material certificates are not available.

Upon request, we shall prepare, at a charge, a factory calibration certificate, traceable to national standards.

9 Technical data

Measuring parameters	Standard velocity w_N of air, based on standard conditions 20 °C and 1013.25 hPa Medium temperature T_M		
Medium to be measured	Air or nitrogen, other gases on request		
Measuring ranges ¹⁰ w _N	0 10 / 20 / 40 / 50 / 60 m/s		
Lower detection limit w _N	0.2 m/s		
Measuring accuracy ¹¹ w _N - Standard - Precision	±(5 % of measured value + [0.4 % of final value; min. 0.02 m/s]) ±(3 % of measured value + [0.4 % of final value; min. 0.02 m/s])		
Reproducibility w _N	±1.5 % of measured value		
Response time (t_{90}) w_N	3s (jump from 5 to 0 m/s)		
Temperature gradient w _N	< 8 K/min (@ 5 m/s)		
Measuring range T_M	-20 +120 °C		
Measuring accuracy T_M ($w_N \ge 2 \text{ m/s}$)	±1 K (0 40 °C) ±2 K (remaining measuring range)		
Operating temperature - Medium - Electronics	-20 +120 °C 0 +70 °C		
Humidity range	0 95 % rel. humidity (RH), non-condensing		
Operating pressure	atmospheric (700 1,300 mbar)		
Operating voltage U _B	24 V _{DC} ± 10 % (reverse voltage protected)		
Current consumption	typ. < 40 mA, 60 mA max.		
Analog outputs - Voltage output - Current output - Maximum load capacity			
Electrical connection	Non-detachable connecting cable, pigtail ¹² , 4-pin, length 2 m Special lengths: 2.5 100 m (in steps of 0.1 m)		
Maximum cable length	Voltage signal: 15 m, current signal: 100 m		
Type of protection	IP 65		
Protection class	III (SELV) or PELV (according EN 50178)		
Mounting tolerance	± 3° relative to flow direction		
Min. tube diameter	DN 25		
Mounting	Thread M18 x 1 at sensor enclosure, accessories (option)		
Installation length	50 / 100 / 200 / 350 / 500 mm		
Weight	200 g max.		
Table 7			

 ¹⁰ Measuring ranges of 50 m/s and 60 m/s only for variant "2".
 ¹¹ Under conditions of the reference.
 ¹² With cable end sleeves

10 Declaration of conformity

EU-Declaration of conformity



SCHMIDT Technology GmbH herewith declares that the product

SCHMIDT[®] Flow Sensor SS 20.260

Part-No. 506 690

is in compliance with the following European guideline:

- No.: 2014/30/EU
- Text: Directive 2014/30/EU of the European Parliament and of the Council of 26 February 2014 on the harmonisation of the laws of the Member States relating to electromagnetic compatibility (EMC)

The following European standards were used for assessment of the product therefore:

- Emission (residence): - Imission (industrial):

EN 61000-6-3: 2007/A1:2011/AC:2012 EN 61000-6-2: 2006+A1:2011

This declaration certificates the compliance with the mentioned directive but comprises no confirmation of attributes. The security advices of the included product documentation have to be observed. The above mentioned product was tested in a typical configuration.

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