

**Operating Instructions
for
Thermal Mass Flowmeter
for gases**

Model: KEC-1/KEC-3



I. Foreword

Dear customer,

thank you very much for deciding in favour of the KEC-1/KEC-3. Please read this installation and operation manual carefully before mounting and initiating the device and follow our advice. A riskless operation and a correct functioning of the KEC-1/KEC-3. are only guaranteed in case of careful observation of the described instructions and notes.



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1 Pictograms and Symbols



General Warning symbol (Danger, Warning, Caution)



General note



Installation- and Instruction manual to consider (on Nameplate)



Installation- and Instruction manual to consider

2 Signalwords according ISO 3864 and ANSI Z 535

Danger!	Imminent danger As a consequence of incorrect handling: serious personal injury or death
Warning!	Possible hazard As a consequence of incorrect handling: possible serious injury or death
Caution!	Imminent hazard As a consequence of incorrect handling: possible personal injury or damage
Note!	Possible hazard As a consequence of incorrect handling: possible personal injury or damage
Important!	Additional notes, information, tips As a consequence of incorrect handling: Disadvantages in operation and maintenance, no danger

3 Safety instructions



Please check whether this manual corresponds with the device type.

Please attend to all notes indicated in this instruction manual. It contains essential information, which has to be followed during installation, operation and maintenance. Therefore, this instruction manual has to be read categorically by the technician as well as by the responsible user/qualified personnel before installation, initiation and maintenance

Regional and national regulations respectively, have to be observed in addition to this instruction manual if necessary.

This instruction manual has to be available at any time at the operation site of the KEC-1/KEC-3.

Ensure that the KEC-1/KEC-3 operates within the permissible and listed limits on the nameplate. Otherwise, there is a risk to human and material, and it may occur functional and operational disturbances

In case of any obscurities or questions with regard to this manual or the instrument please contact Kobold GmbH.



Warning!

Risk of injury in case of inadequate qualification!

Improper handling can result in significant personal injury and damage.

All activities described in this operating instruction manual must be carried out only by qualified personnel qualifications described below.

Professionals (Technical staff)

The technical staff is based on his education/training, his knowledge of measurement and control technology as well of the local regulations, standards and guidelines in the position to do the work as described and to identify the possible hazards.

Special working conditions require further appropriate knowledge, e.g. of aggressive media.



Caution!

Malfunction of KEC-1/KEC-3

Faulty installation and insufficient maintenance may lead to malfunctions of the KEC-1/KEC-3 which may affect the display and open to misinterpretation.



Danger!

Inadmissible operating parameters!

By exceeding or falling short of limits there is a risk for people and material, in addition there may occur further functional and operational disturbances.

Measures:

- Make sure that the KEC-1/KEC-3 operates only within the permissible and listed limits on the nameplate
- Ensure the operation within the performance data of KEC-1/KEC-3 in connection with the application
- Do not exceed the admissible storage and transportation temperature.

Additional safety information:

- When installing and operating the relevant national regulations and safety rules must also be observed.

3.1 Intended Use

The instrument described in this manual is exclusively to use for measuring the thermal mass flow of gases. At the same time, the gas temperature is measured too.

The KEC-1/KEC-3 can be configured for measuring a predetermined range of pure gases or of gas mixtures.

Consumption measurement of gases such as Air, oxygen, nitrogen, carbon dioxide, argon, etc. and with ATEX approval explosive gases such as natural gas, methane, propane and hydrogen.

Improper or incorrect use the operational reliability will be canceled. The manufacturer is not liable for any damage resulting by improper or incorrect use.

3.2 Installation and commissioning

- Installation, electrical installation, commissioning, operation and maintenance of the device must only be carried by qualified personnel, which were authorized by the plant operator. The personnel must read the operating instructions and understand and follow their instructions.
- If carrying out welding work on the pipeline the grounding of the welding unit is not allowed to be done over the KEC-1/KEC-3 itself.
- The installer has to ensure that the KEC-1/KEC-3 is connected according to the electrical connection diagrams properly. The sensor must be grounded, unless special protective measures have been taken (e.g. galvanically isolated power supply)
- The existing/ applicable national regulations governing opening and repair of the device have to be applied.
- When using the KEC-3 (ATEX Version) in hazardous areas, in addition with the standard manual a separate Ex documentation is enclosed. The installation instructions and connection values indicated in these must also be observed.
- The device fulfills the general safety requirements in accordance with EN 61010-1, the EMC requirements of IEC / EN 61326 and NAMUR recommendation NE 43.

4 Technical data

Measures:	mass flow, consumption flow speed, temperature
Measuring principle:	thermal mass flow sensor
Medium temperature range:	-40 ... 180 °C Probe (ATEX-Version -20°C ... 120°C) -20 ... 120 ° C for medium oxygen, natural gas, propane, methane, biogas and/or in conjunction with silicone-free design
Operating temperature range:	-20 ... 70 °C
Operating pressure:	50 bar
Power supply:	18 ... 36 VDC
Power consumption:	max. 5 W
Output:	Modbus RTU (acc. EIA/TIA-485 Standard) 2 x 4...20 mA active (optional passive) RL < 500 Ohm galvanically isolated pulse (Pulse weight freely selectable, Alarm max. 48 Vdc 0.5 A, optional: HART, ProfibusDP, Profi Net,
Accuracy: Standard version* (m.v. of meas. value) (f.s. of full scale)	± 1.5 % m.v. ± 0.3 % f.s.
Accuracy: Precision version* (m.v. of meas. value) (f.s. of full scale)	± 1.0 % m.v. ± 0.3 % f.s.
Repeatability:	0.25% m.v in case of correct mounting (mounting aid, position,inlet section)
Accuracy indications:	referred to ambient temperature 22 °C +/- 2 °C, system pressure 6 bar
Response time:	t90 < 3 s
Display:	2“ TFT Color Display (320 x 240)
Screw in thread:	G 1/2“ ISO 228, NPT 1/2“, R 1/2“, PT 1/2“
Material:	Housing aluminum die cast, probe stainless steel1,4571
Protection class	IP67

* Reference conditions for Temperature and pressure can be freely set, standard conditions are 0 ° and 1013 mbar.

4.1 Signal circuits

4.1.1 Modbus

- According Standard EIA/TIA-485

4.1.2 Current output

4.1.2.1 Aktive

- Galvanically isolated
- 4 ... 20 mA
- $R_L < 500 \text{ Ohm}$

4.1.2.2 Passive

- Galvanically isolated
- 4 ... 20 mA
- $R_L < 500 \text{ Ohm}$
- $V_{in} 12-36 \text{ Vdc}$

4.1.3 Pulse

- Galvanically isolated (dry contact)
- Passive: 48 Vdc , 500 mA
- Max. pulse output freq. 50 Hz

4.1.4 Alarm

- Galvanically isolated
- Max. 48 Vdc, 500 mA

4.2 Measuring range flow KEC-1/KEC-3.

The flow-/consumption sensor KEC-1/KEC-3 is available in 3 different versions:

- Low Speed Version max. measuring range of 50 m/s
- Standard max. measuring range of 92.7 m/s
- Max-Version max. measuring range of 185.0 m/s
- High speed-Version max. measuring range of 224 m/s

The sensors are programmed to pipe inner diameter of 53,1 mm this corresponds to analogue output 4- 20 mA of:

	Measuring range	Analogue output scaling
• Low Speed	0...323.6 m ³ /h	4 mA = 0 m ³ h, 20 mA = 323.6 m ³ /h
• Standard	0 ... 600 m ³ /h	4 mA = 0 m ³ h, 20 mA = 600 m ³ /h
• Max-Version	0 ... 1197.59 m ³ /h	4 mA = 0 m ³ h, 20 mA = 1197.59 m ³ /h
• Highspeed-Version	0 ... 1450.06 m ³ /h	4 mA = 0 m ³ h, 20 mA = 1450.06 m ³ /h

In case of use in other inner pipe diameter the diameter, using the display version, the diameter has to be set first.

For changing the inner pipe diameter and adjusting the 4...20 mA scaling, please refer to chapter "Operation".

The corresponding scale values for the respective version could be found in sections 4.2.1 to 4.2.3.

Example:

Pipe 1“, Inner diameter 25mm

	Measuring range	Analogue output scaling
• Low Speed	0 ... 65.9 m ³ /h	4 mA = 0 m ³ h, 20 mA = 65.9 m ³ /h
• Standard Version	0 ... 122.2 m ³ /h	4 mA = 0 m ³ h, 20 mA = 122.2 m ³ /h
• Max-Version	0 ... 243.88 m ³ /h	4 mA = 0 m ³ h, 20 mA = 243.88 m ³ /h
• Highspeed-Version	0 ... 295.30 m ³ /h	4 mA = 0 m ³ h, 20 mA = 295.30 m ³ /h

4.2.1 Measuring range "Low Speed"

Measuring ranges low-speed version

Inside diameter of pipe			Low-speed version (50 m/s)									Recommended probe length
Inch	mm	DN	Air**	Nitrogen (N ₂)	Argon (Ar)	Oxygen (O ₂)	Carbon dioxide (CO ₂)	Methane natural gas (CH ₄)	Helium (He)	Hydrogen (H ₂)	Propane (C ₃ H ₈)	
½"	16.1	DN 15	24 [14]	22 [13]	38 [22]	23 [13]	24 [14]	14 [8]	10 [6]	7 [4]	11 [6]	160 mm - 6.299 inch
¾"	21.7	DN 20	48 [28]	44 [26]	75 [44]	45 [26]	47 [27]	28 [16]	20 [11]	14 [8]	22 [13]	
1"	27.3	DN 25	79 [46]	73 [43]	124 [73]	75 [44]	78 [46]	47 [27]	33 [19]	23 [13]	36 [21]	
1 ¼"	36.0	DN 32	143 [84]	132 [77]	224 [132]	136 [80]	142 [83]	85 [50]	60 [35]	42 [24]	66 [38]	
1 ½"	41.9	DN 40	197 [116]	181 [107]	309 [182]	188 [111]	195 [115]	117 [68]	82 [48]	58 [34]	90 [53]	
2"	53.1	DN 50	323 [190]	297 [175]	506 [297]	308 [181]	320 [188]	191 [112]	135 [79]	95 [55]	148 [87]	
2 ½"	68.9	DN 65	554 [326]	509 [300]	866 [510]	528 [311]	548 [322]	328 [193]	231 [136]	162 [95]	254 [150]	
3"	80.9	DN 80	768 [452]	706 [415]	1201 [706]	732 [431]	760 [447]	454 [267]	321 [188]	225 [132]	353 [207]	
4"	110.0	DN 100	1426 [839]	1311 [772]	2230 [1312]	1360 [800]	1411 [830]	844 [496]	596 [350]	418 [246]	655 [386]	220 mm - 8.661 inch
5"	133.7	DN 125	2110 [1241]	1940 [1141]	3299 [1941]	2011 [1183]	2088 [1228]	1248 [734]	881 [519]	619 [364]	970 [570]	
6"	159.3	DN 150	2999 [1765]	2758 [1623]	4689 [2759]	2859 [1682]	2967 [1746]	1774 [1044]	1253 [737]	880 [518]	1379 [811]	
8"	200.0	DN 200	4738 [2788]	4357 [2564]	7409 [4360]	4517 [2658]	4689 [2759]	2804 [1650]	1980 [1165]	1391 [819]	2178 [1282]	
10"	250.0	DN 250	7413 [4362]	6817 [4011]	11590 [6820]	7067 [4159]	7336 [4317]	4386 [2581]	3098 [1823]	2177 [1281]	3408 [2005]	300 mm - 11.811 inch
12"	300.0	DN 300	10687 [6289]	9828 [5783]	16710 [9833]	10189 [5996]	10576 [6224]	6324 [3721]	4466 [2628]	3138 [1847]	4914 [2891]	

Measuring ranges low-speed version (continued)

Inside diameter of pipe			Low-speed version (50 m/s)									Recommended probe length
Inch	mm	DN	Corgon ®18	Forming gas 90% N ₂ + 10% H ₂	Natural gas (NG)	Biogas 50% CH ₄ + 50% CO ₂	Biogas 60% CH ₄ + 40% CO ₂	LPG 60% C ₃ H ₈ + 40% C ₄ H ₁₀	LPG 50% C ₃ H ₈ + 50% C ₄ H ₁₀	Nitrous oxide (N ₂ O)	Ethyne/ Acetylene (C ₂ H ₂)	
½"	16.1	DN 15	35 [21]	20 [12]	15 [9]	17 [10]	17 [10]	13 [7]	12 [7]	24 [14]	13 [8]	160 mm - 6.299 inch
¾"	21.7	DN 20	70 [41]	40 [23]	30 [17]	34 [20]	34 [20]	25 [15]	25 [14]	47 [27]	26 [15]	
1"	27.3	DN 25	116 [68]	67 [39]	50 [29]	57 [34]	56 [33]	42 [24]	41 [24]	78 [45]	44 [26]	
1 ¼"	36.0	DN 32	209 [123]	121 [71]	91 [53]	104 [61]	101 [59]	76 [45]	74 [44]	140 [89]	80 [47]	
1 ½"	41.9	DN 40	288 [170]	167 [98]	125 [73]	143 [84]	140 [82]	105 [62]	103 [60]	194 [114]	110 [65]	
2"	53.1	DN 50	472 [278]	273 [161]	205 [120]	235 [138]	229 [135]	172 [101]	168 [99]	317 [186]	181 [106]	
2 ½"	68.9	DN 65	809 [476]	469 [276]	351 [207]	403 [237]	393 [231]	295 [173]	288 [169]	543 [320]	311 [183]	
3"	80.9	DN 80	1121 [660]	649 [382]	487 [286]	558 [328]	544 [320]	409 [240]	400 [235]	753 [443]	430 [253]	
4"	110.0	DN 100	2082 [1225]	1206 [710]	905 [532]	1037 [610]	1011 [595]	759 [447]	742 [437]	1399 [823]	800 [470]	220 mm - 8.661 inch
5"	133.7	DN 125	3080 [1813]	1785 [1050]	1338 [787]	1534 [903]	1496 [880]	1123 [661]	1098 [646]	2069 [1217]	1183 [696]	
6"	159.3	DN 150	4378 [2576]	2537 [1493]	1903 [1119]	2181 [1283]	2126 [1251]	1597 [939]	1561 [919]	2941 [1731]	1682 [990]	
8"	200.0	DN 200	6918 [4071]	4009 [2359]	3006 [1769]	3446 [2028]	3359 [1977]	2523 [1485]	2467 [1452]	4647 [2735]	2658 [1564]	
10"	250.0	DN 250	10823 [6369]	6271 [3690]	4703 [2768]	5392 [3173]	5255 [3093]	3947 [2323]	3860 [2271]	7270 [4278]	4158 [2447]	300 mm - 11.811 inch
12"	300.0	DN 300	15604 [9183]	9042 [5321]	6781 [3990]	7774 [4575]	7577 [4459]	5691 [3349]	5565 [3275]	10482 [6168]	5995 [3528]	

* Nm³/h in acc. with DIN 1343: 0 °C, 1013.25 hPa for gases

** ISO 1217: 20 °C, 1000 hPa for air

4.2.2 Measuring range „Standard Version“

Measuring ranges standard version

Inside diameter of pipe			Standard version (92.7 m/s)									Recommended probe length
Inch	mm	DN	Air**	Nitrogen (N ₂)	Argon (Ar)	Oxygen (O ₂)	Carbon dioxide (CO ₂)	Methane natural gas (CH ₄)	Helium (He)	Hydrogen (H ₂)	Propane (C ₃ H ₈)	
1/2"	16.1	DN 15	45 [26]	41 [24]	71 [41]	43 [25]	45 [26]	26 [15]	19 [11]	13 [7]	20 [12]	160 mm - 6.299 inch
3/4"	21.7	DN 20	89 [52]	81 [48]	139 [81]	84 [49]	88 [51]	52 [31]	37 [21]	26 [15]	40 [24]	
1"	27.3	DN 25	147 [86]	135 [79]	230 [135]	140 [82]	146 [86]	87 [51]	61 [36]	43 [25]	67 [39]	
1 1/4"	36.0	DN 32	266 [156]	244 [144]	416 [245]	253 [149]	263 [155]	157 [92]	111 [65]	78 [46]	122 [72]	
1 1/2"	41.9	DN 40	366 [215]	337 [198]	573 [337]	349 [205]	363 [213]	217 [127]	153 [90]	107 [63]	168 [99]	
2"	53.1	DN 50	600 [353]	551 [324]	938 [552]	572 [336]	593 [349]	355 [208]	250 [147]	176 [103]	275 [162]	
2 1/2"	68.9	DN 65	1028 [604]	945 [556]	1607 [945]	980 [576]	1017 [598]	608 [358]	429 [252]	301 [177]	472 [278]	
3"	80.9	DN 80	1424 [838]	1309 [770]	2227 [1310]	1358 [799]	1409 [829]	842 [496]	595 [350]	418 [246]	654 [385]	
4"	110.0	DN 100	2644 [1556]	2432 [1431]	4135 [2433]	2521 [1484]	2617 [1540]	1565 [921]	1105 [650]	776 [457]	1216 [715]	
5"	133.7	DN 125	3912 [2302]	3597 [2117]	6116 [3599]	3729 [2195]	3871 [2278]	2315 [1362]	1635 [962]	1149 [676]	1798 [1058]	
6"	159.3	DN 150	5560 [3272]	5113 [3009]	8693 [5116]	5301 [3119]	5502 [3238]	3290 [1936]	2324 [1367]	1633 [961]	2556 [1504]	220 mm - 8.661 inch
8"	200.0	DN 200	8785 [5170]	8079 [4754]	13736 [8083]	8376 [4929]	8694 [5116]	5198 [3059]	3672 [2160]	2580 [1518]	4039 [2377]	
10"	250.0	DN 250	13744 [8088]	12638 [7437]	21488 [12646]	13103 [7711]	13601 [8004]	8133 [4786]	5744 [3380]	4036 [2375]	6319 [3718]	
12"	300.0	DN 300	19814 [11661]	18221 [10723]	30980 [18232]	18891 [11117]	19609 [11539]	11725 [6900]	8281 [4873]	5819 [3424]	9110 [5361]	300 mm - 11.811 inch

Measuring ranges standard version (continued)

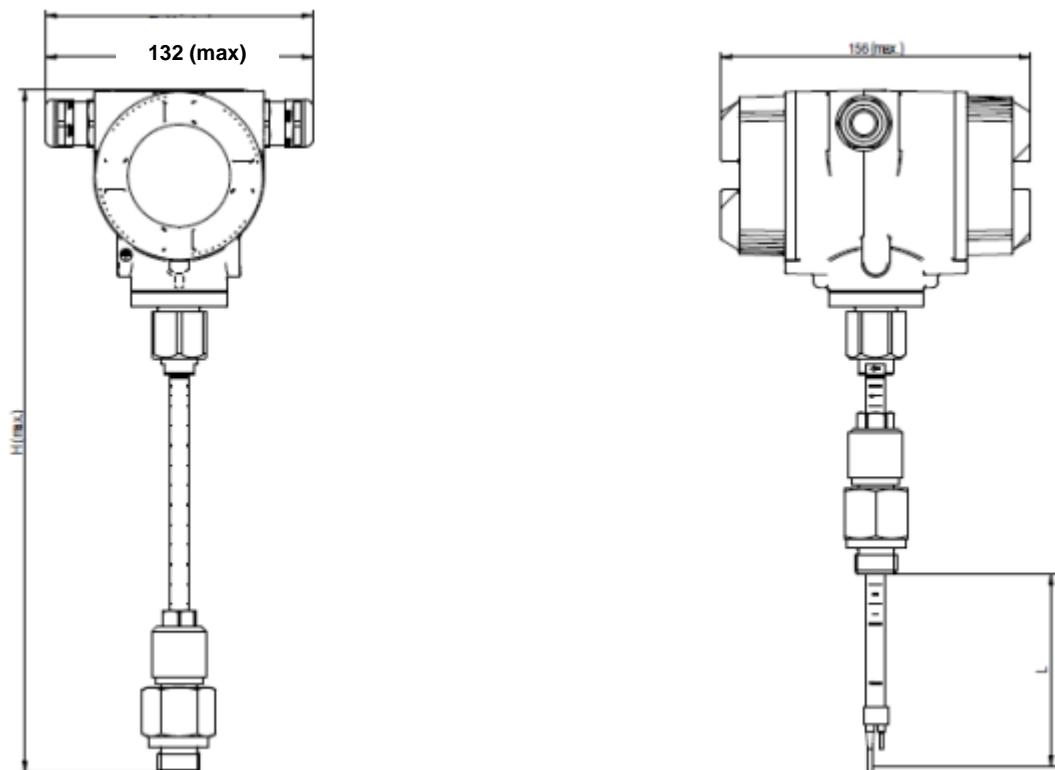
Inside diameter of pipe			Standard version (92.7 m/s)									Recommended probe length
Inch	mm	DN	Corgon @18	Forming gas 90% N ₂ + 10% H ₂	Natural gas (NG)	Biogas 50% CH ₄ + 50% CO ₂	Biogas 60% CH ₄ + 40% CO ₂	LPG 60% C ₃ H ₈ + 40% C ₄ H ₁₀	LPG 50% C ₃ H ₈ + 50% C ₄ H ₁₀	Nitrous oxide (N ₂ O)	Ethyne/Acetylene (C ₂ H ₂)	
1/2"	16.1	DN 15	66 [39]	38 [22]	28 [17]	33 [19]	32 [19]	24 [14]	23 [13]	44 [26]	25 [15]	160 mm - 6.299 inch
3/4"	21.7	DN 20	130 [76]	75 [44]	56 [33]	64 [38]	63 [37]	47 [27]	46 [27]	87 [51]	49 [29]	
1"	27.3	DN 25	215 [126]	124 [73]	93 [55]	107 [63]	104 [61]	78 [46]	76 [45]	144 [85]	82 [48]	
1 1/4"	36.0	DN 32	388 [228]	225 [132]	168 [99]	193 [114]	188 [111]	141 [83]	138 [81]	261 [153]	149 [87]	
1 1/2"	41.9	DN 40	535 [315]	310 [182]	232 [136]	266 [157]	260 [153]	195 [114]	191 [112]	359 [211]	205 [121]	
2"	53.1	DN 50	876 [515]	507 [298]	380 [224]	436 [256]	425 [250]	319 [188]	312 [183]	588 [346]	336 [198]	
2 1/2"	68.9	DN 65	1500 [883]	869 [511]	652 [383]	747 [440]	728 [428]	547 [322]	535 [315]	1008 [593]	576 [339]	
3"	80.9	DN 80	2079 [1223]	1205 [709]	903 [531]	1036 [609]	1009 [594]	758 [446]	741 [436]	1397 [822]	799 [470]	
4"	110.0	DN 100	3861 [2272]	2237 [1316]	1678 [987]	1923 [1132]	1875 [1103]	1408 [828]	1377 [810]	2594 [1526]	1483 [873]	
5"	133.7	DN 125	5711 [3361]	3309 [1947]	2482 [1460]	2845 [1674]	2773 [1632]	2083 [1226]	2037 [1198]	3837 [2258]	2194 [1291]	
6"	159.3	DN 150	8118 [4777]	4704 [2768]	3528 [2076]	4044 [2380]	3942 [2320]	2961 [1742]	2895 [1704]	5453 [3209]	3119 [1835]	300 mm - 11.811 inch
8"	200.0	DN 200	12827 [7548]	7432 [4374]	5574 [3280]	6390 [3760]	6229 [3665]	4678 [2753]	4575 [2692]	8616 [5071]	4928 [2900]	
10"	250.0	DN 250	20066 [11809]	11627 [6842]	8720 [5132]	9997 [5883]	9744 [5734]	7319 [4307]	7157 [4212]	13480 [7932]	7709 [4537]	
12"	300.0	DN 300	28930 [17025]	16763 [9865]	12572 [7399]	14413 [8482]	14048 [8267]	10552 [6209]	10318 [6072]	19434 [11437]	11115 [6541]	

* Nm³/h in acc. with DIN 1343: 0 °C, 1013.25 hPa for gases

** ISO 1217: 20 °C, 1000 hPa for air

5 Dimensions

5.1 Dimension KEC-1/KEC-3



Sensor length	L [mm]	H [mm]
C1	220	441
C2	300	521
C3	400	621
C4	500	721
C5	600	821
C7	160	381

6 Installation

6.1 Pipe/tube requirements

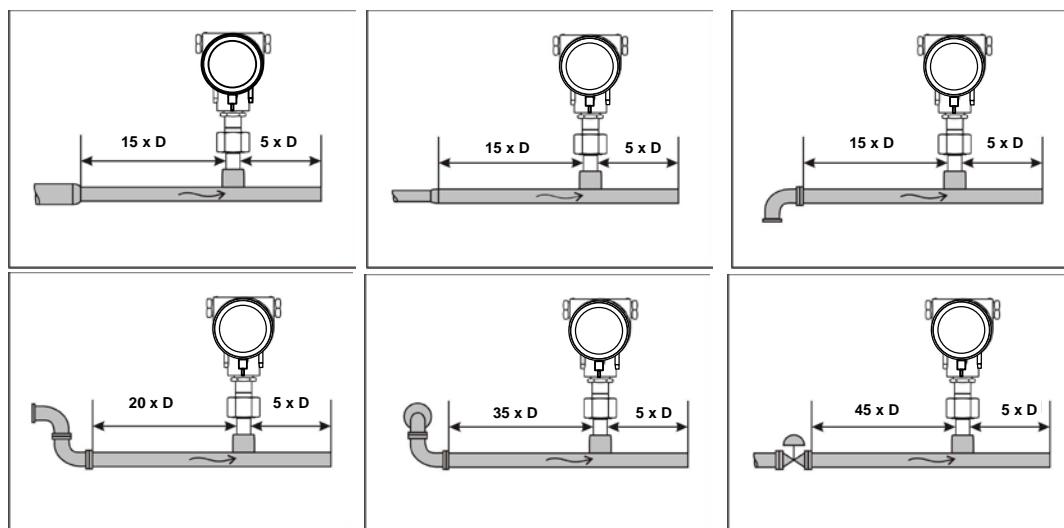
- Correctly sized gaskets
- Correct aligned flanges and gaskets
- Diameter mismatch at the pipe junctions should be avoided but must be less than 1mm. For further information see ISO 14511
- Ensure clean pipes after installation

6.2 Inlet / outlet runs

The principle of thermal Mass flow measurement is very sensitive against disturbances. Therefore, it is necessary to ensure the recommended inlet and outlet runs.

Table Inlet / Outlet runs

Flow obstruction before the measurement section	Min length Inlet run (L1)	Min length Outlet run (L2)
Slight curve (elbow < 90°)	12 x D	5 x D
Reduction (Pipe narrows to the measurement section)	15 x D	5 x D
Expansion (Pipe expands to the measurement section)	15 x D	5 x D
90° elbow or T-piece	15 x D	5 x D
2x elbow á 90° in einer Ebene	20 x D	5 x D
2x elbow á 90° 3-dimensional	35 x D	5 x D
Control valve	45 x D	5 x D



The values represent the min. lengths. In case the min. inlet / outlet runs could not be ensured, it must be expected to get increased or significant deviations of the measurement values.

6.3 Installation KEC-1/KEC-3

The installation of the sensor is done via a ball valve $\frac{1}{2}$ ".

If no valid measuring point with a ball valve $\frac{1}{2}$ " is available there are following ways to set up a measuring point.

6.3.1 $\frac{1}{2}$ " welded nipple with ball valve $\frac{1}{2}$ "



Important:

Ensure that the system is in shut down, i.e.
depressurized.

Note for installation with ball valve

Ball valve R 1/2", DN 15
Passage ball valve: Minimum Ø15 mm

6.3.2 Spot drilling collar with ball valve



In case the system could not be shut down, means to be set depressurized, there could be used a spot drilling collar and drilling jig to drill through the ball valve.

6.4 Installation of the Sensor

6.4.1 Mounting KEC-1/KEC-3 onto the ball valve

- Assembly is carried out by inserting the connection thread with gasket. (G1/2“ thread, SW 32) into the connection piece (ball valve).

The sensor has to be tightened by hand as far as possible and then tighten with stipulated torque of 25-30 Nm.

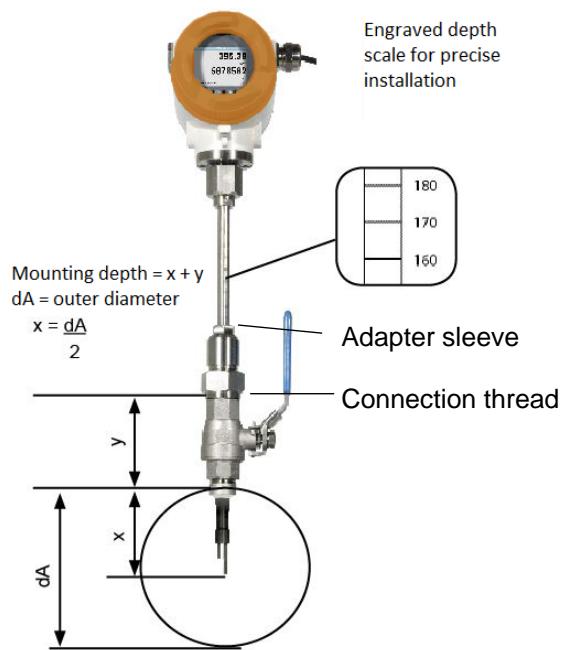
It must be ensured that the installation is pressure-tight.



- The sensor is then inserted to the required immersion depth and aligned according to the direction of the airflow. A depth scale engraved on the probe tube, a flow alignment arrow and an aligning device will be of help for you. Once the sensor has been aligned the adapter sleeve must be tighten with stipulated torque of 20-30Nm (SW 17).

Attention: Alignment of the sensor must not be modified when tightening the connection thread and adapter sleeve. In this case, please check the immersion depth and alignment again and correct it if necessary. The angular deviation should not be greater than $\pm 2^\circ$ in relation to ideal position as otherwise the measuring accuracy will decrease.

Calculation mounting depth:



Alignment



Sensor alignment

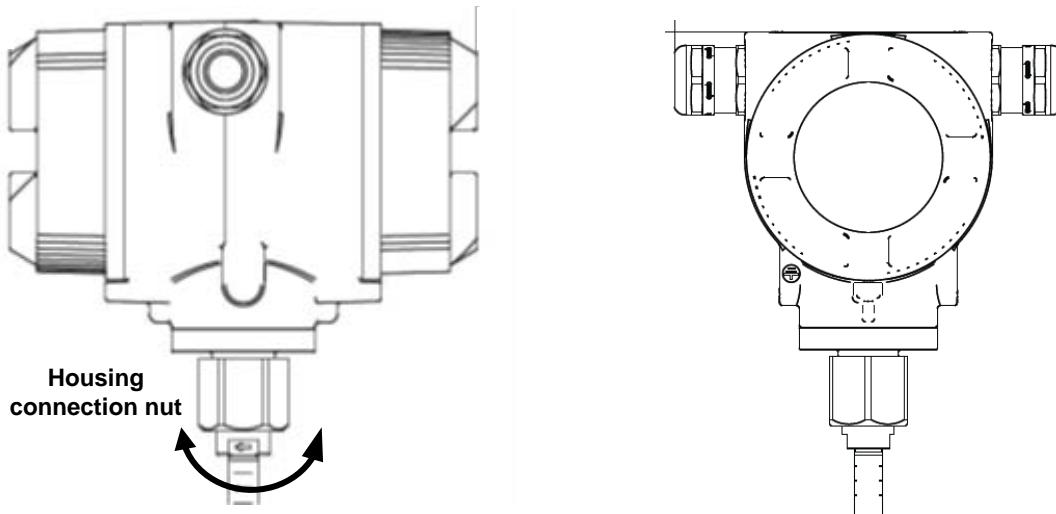
A max. angle deviation of $\pm 2^\circ$ is permitted to ensure correct measured values.



6.5 Alignment Display (Housing)

The sensor housing KEC-1/KEC-3 can be turned in both directions, max. 345 °. For this purpose, the housing-connecting nut must be opened. The housing can be rotated to the desired position, a bigger rotation angle is prevented by internal stop pins.

After that, the housing-connecting nut is firmly retighten



6.6 Tightening torques

To secure and guarantee of the function and tightness following tightening torques have to be applied, see table 1.

Table 1

Pos	Description	Tightening torque [Nm]
20	KEC-1/KEC-3 cover with glass	3
30	KEC-1/KEC-3 cover without window	3
50	Grub screw with hexagon socket M4x6 DIN 914 A2	2
130	KEC-1/KEC-3 nut	15
150	Cylinder screw DIN 6912 - M5x10 A2-70	4

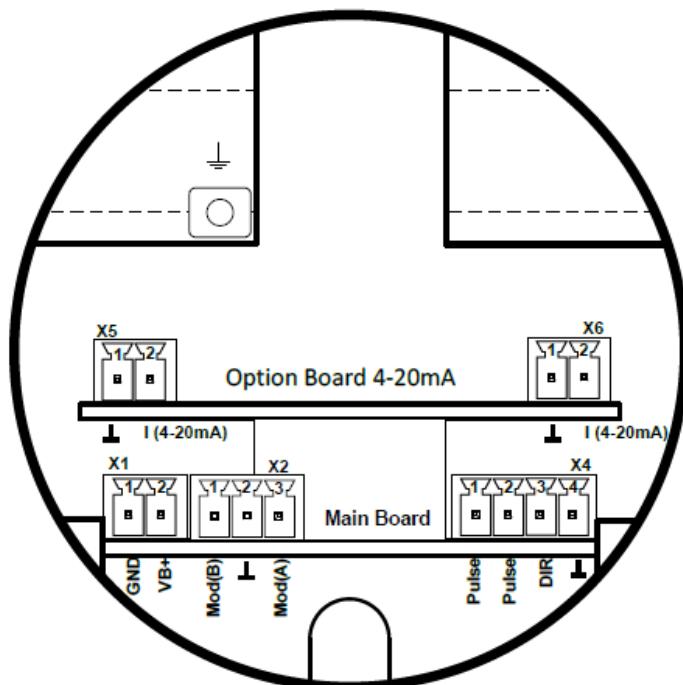
7 Connection diagram

7.1 Cable glands - clamping ranges

For ensuring the tightness and strain relief, connector cables with the following diameters must be used.

KEC-1/KEC-3: Standard clamping range : Ø 5- 9mm

7.2 Connector pin assignment



Version with option board 2x analogue outputs galvanically isolated

Connector	Pin	Signal Description
X1 Power supply	1	VB - (GND)
	2	VB+
X2 Modbus	1	Modbus (B)
	2	Modbus shield
	3	Modbus (A)
X4 Direction / Pulse	1	Pulse / Alarm *
	2	Pulse / Alarm *
	3	Direction input
	4	GND
X5 Current output 1	1	I- Active**
	2	I+ Active **
X6 Current output 2	1	I- Active **
	2	I+ Active **

* Outputs are galvanically isolated.

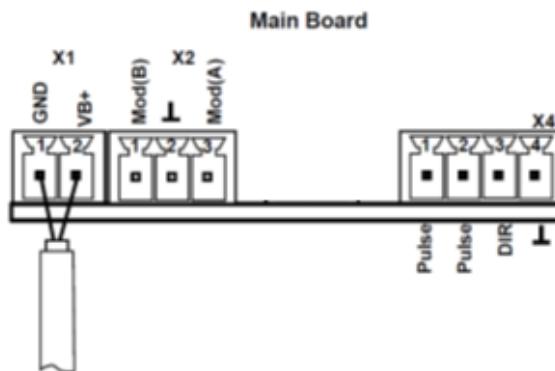
** The Current outputs, X5 and X6, are optional. (Active and passive version available).

7.3 Wire connection

7.3.1 General

- Wiring to be done in strainless state only.
- Length of cable skinning to be minimized
- Not used cable entries must be closed with end caps
- Use of cables with cross section of $\geq 0.25 \text{ mm}^2$

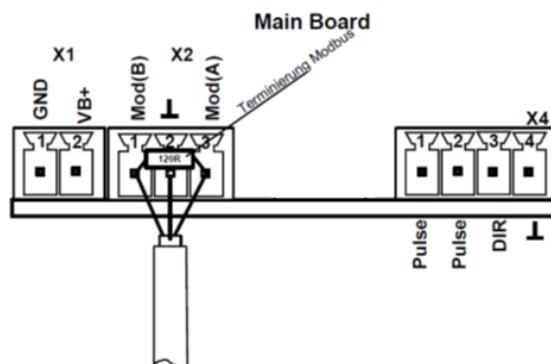
7.3.2 Power supply



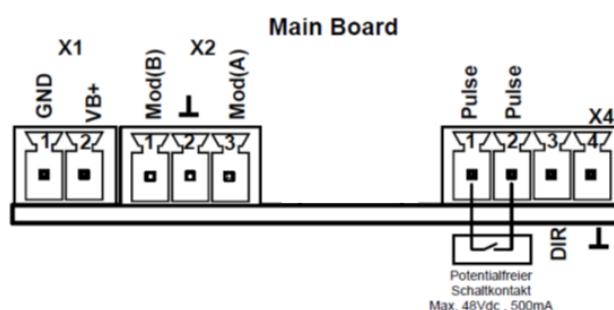
7.3.3 Modbus RTU

If the sensor is placed at the end of the Modbus system a termination is required.

Therefore, the enclosed 120R resistor is to be connected at Pin 1 and Pin 3 of connector „X2“

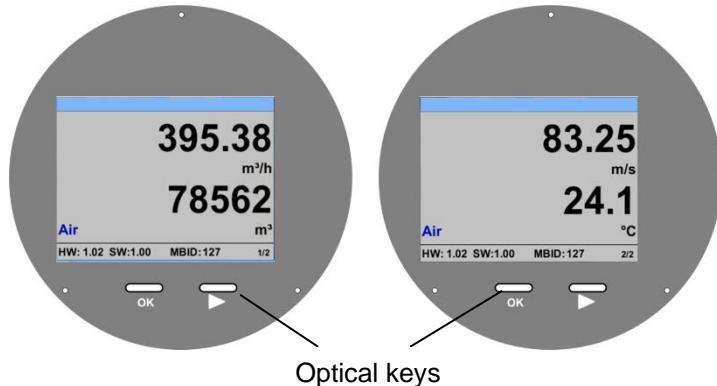


7.3.4 Pulse Output



8 Operation KEC-1/KEC-3

The operation of the KEC-1/KEC-3 is carried out by 2 optical keys through the glass cover Thus, the KEC-1/KEC-3 can be operated from the outside without opening the cap.



Selection of the individual menu items is done by pressing the ">" and confirm by pressing "OK".

Inputs or changes can be made with all white deposit fields, selected file will be highlighted with yellow background.

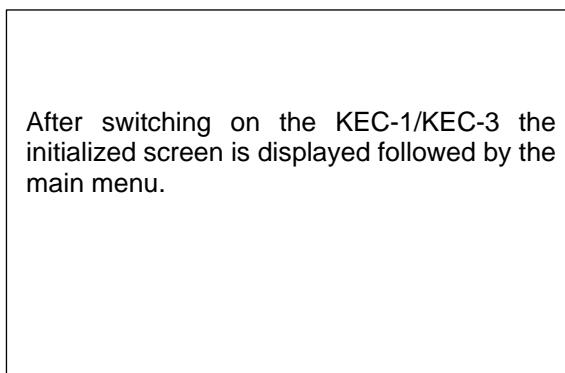
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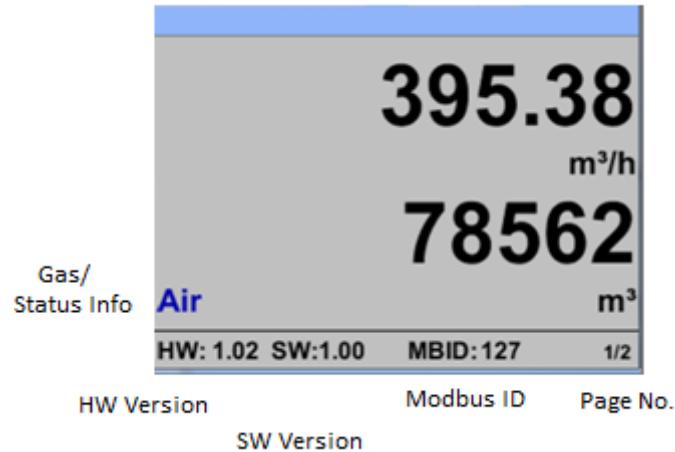
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8.1 Main menu (Home)

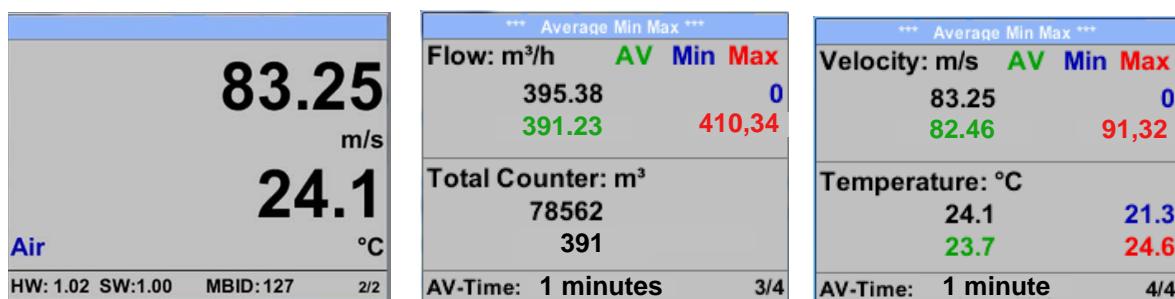
8.1.1 Initialization



8.2 Main menu



Switching to pages 2-4 or back by pressing key „ Δ “



AV-Time (Period for average value calculation) could be changed under Sensor Setup.-Advanced– AV-Time

8.3 Settings

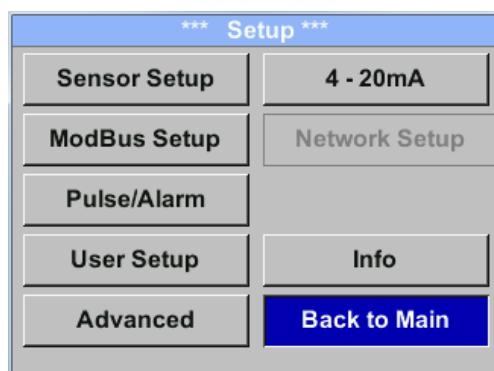
The settings menu could accessed by pressing the key „OK“.

But the access to the *settings menu* is password protected.



Factory settings for password at the time of delivery: 0000 (4 times zero).

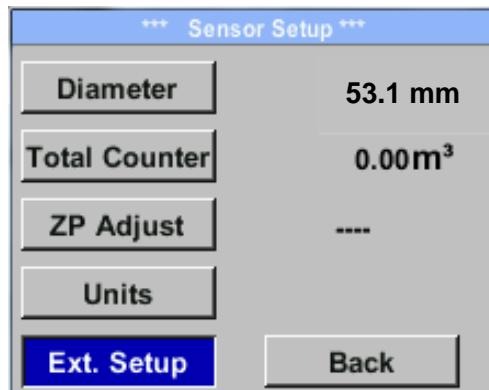
If required the password could be changed at *Setup–User setup–Password*.



Selection of a menu item or to change a value is done with the key „ Δ “, a final move to the chosen menu item or takeover of the value change needs the confirmation by pressing the key „OK“

8.3.1 Sensor Setup

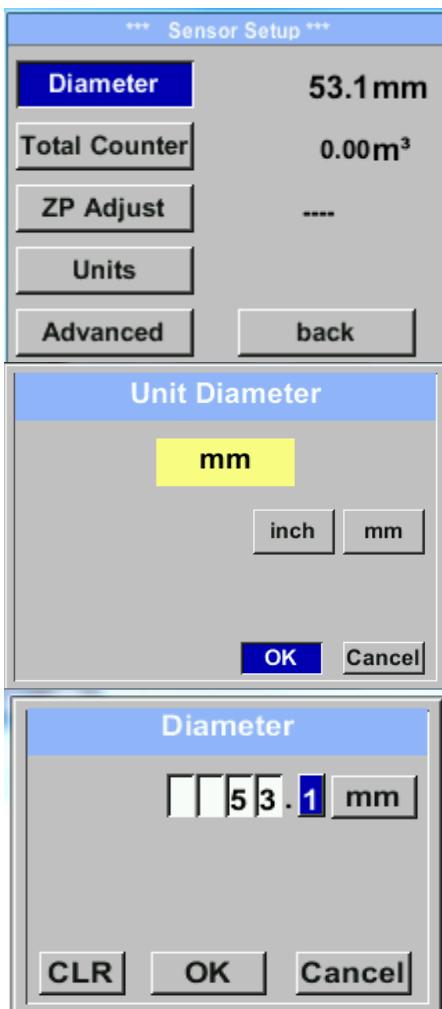
Setup → Sensor Setup



For changes, first select the menu item with key „△“ and then confirm it with “OK”.

8.3.1.1 Input / change tube diameter

Settings → Sensor Setup → Diameter



In order to change, e.g. the unit, first select by pressing key „△“ the field “Units” and then key “OK”.

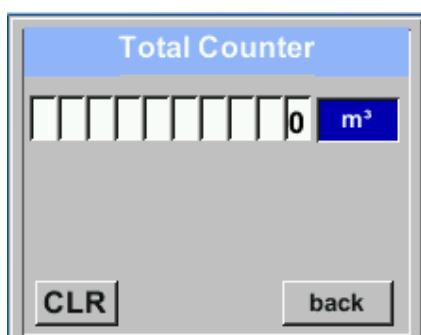
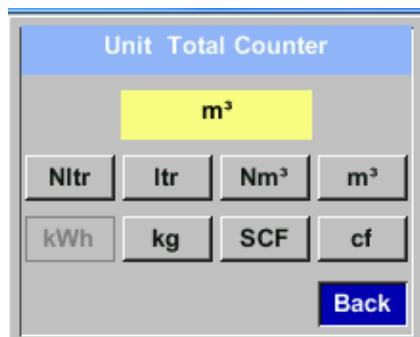
Select with the key „△“ the correct unit and then confirm selection by pressing 2x „OK“.

Entering / changing the diameter via button „△“, select the respective position and activate the position with the “OK” button.

By pressing „△“ the position value is incremented by 1. Complete with “OK” and activate next number position. Confirm entry by pressing „OK“.

8.3.1.2 Input / change consumption counter

Setup → Sensor Setup→ Total Counter → Unit button



In order to change, e.g. the unit, first select by pressing key „ Δ “ the button “**Unit**” and then key “**OK**”.

Select with the key „ Δ “ the correct unit and then confirm selection by pressing 2x „**OK**“.

Entering / changing the consumption counter via button „ Δ “, select the respective position and activate the position with the “**OK**” button.

By pressing „ Δ “ the position value is incremented by 1. Complete with “**OK**” and activate next number position.

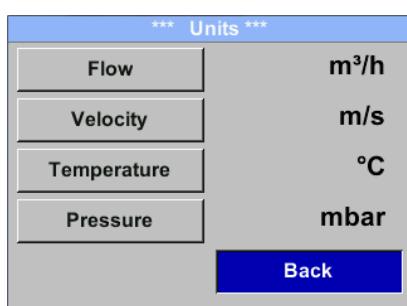
Confirm entry by pressing „**OK**“.

Important!

When the counter reach 1000000000 m³ the counter will be reset to zero.

8.3.1.3 Definition of the units for flow, velocity, temperature and pressure

Setup → Sensor Setup→ Units



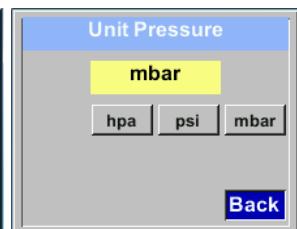
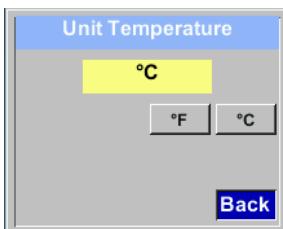
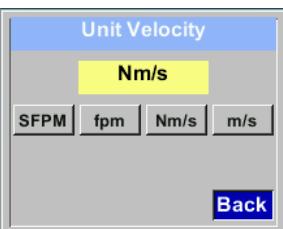
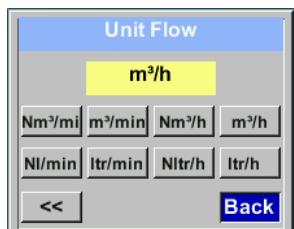
To make changes to the unit for the respective measurement value, first select by pressing „ Δ “ the field of the „measurement value“ and activate „it with „**OK**“.

Selection of the new unit with „ Δ “

In case the quantity of units selectable are not presentable on one page, please move to next page by pressing „ $<<$ “.

Confirm selection by pressing 2x „**OK**“.

Procedure for all 4 measurement-variables is analogous.

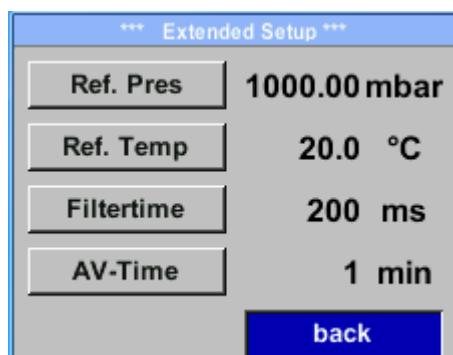


8.3.1.4 Definition of the reference conditions

Here can be defined the desired measured media reference conditions for pressure and temperature and times for the filter and averaging.

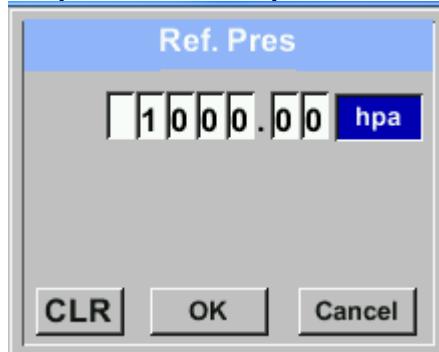
- Factory pre-setting for reference temperature and reference pressure are 20 °C, 1000 hPa
- All volume flow values (m³/h) and consumption values indicated in the display are related to 20 °C and 1000 hPa (according to ISO 1217 intake condition)
- Alternatively 0 °C and 1013 hPa (=standard cubic meter) can also be entered as a reference.
- **Do not enter the operation pressure or the operation temperature under reference conditions!**

Setup → Sensor Setup→ Advanced



To make changes, first select a menu with button „△“ and confirm selection by pressing „OK“.

Setup → Sensor Setup → Advanced → Ref.Pref

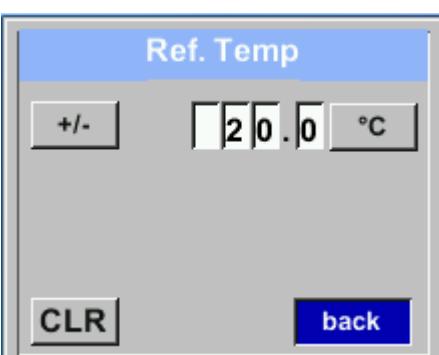


In order to change, e.g. the unit, first select by pressing key „△“ the field “Units” and then key “OK”.

Select with the key „△“ the correct unit and then confirm selection by pressing 2x „OK“.

Input / change of the value by selecting the respective position with button „△“ and entering by pressing button „OK“.

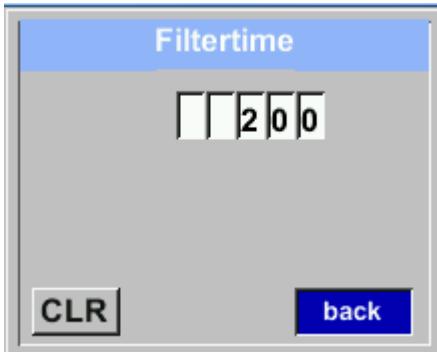
Setup → Sensor Setup→ Advanced → Ref.Temp



By pressing „△“ the position value is incremented by 1. Complete with “OK” and activate next number position.

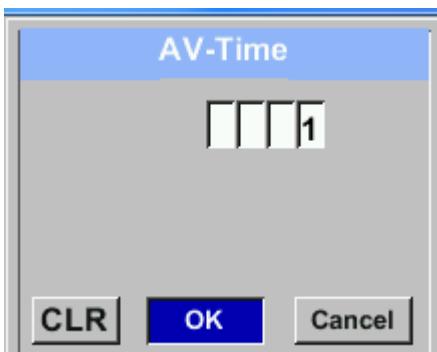
Procedure for changing the reference temperature is the same.

Setup → Sensor Setup→ Advanced → Filtertime



Under item "**Filtertime**" an attenuation can be defined.
Input values of 0 -10000 in [ms] are possible

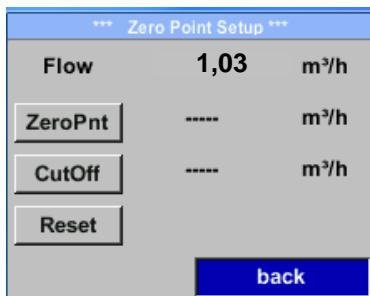
Setup → Sensor Setup→ Advanced → AV-Time



The time period for averaging can be entered here.
Input values of -1440 1 [minutes] are possible.
For average values see display window 3 + 4

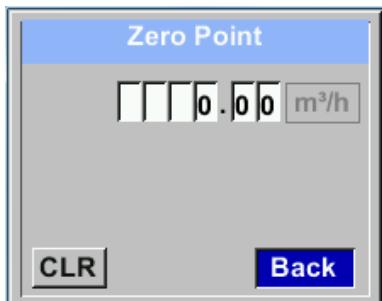
8.3.1.5 Setting of Zeropoint and Low-flow cut off

Setup → Sensor Setup → ZP Adjust



To make changes, first select a menu with button „**△**“ and confirm selection by pressing „**OK**“.

Setup → Sensor Setup → ZP Adjust → ZeroPnt



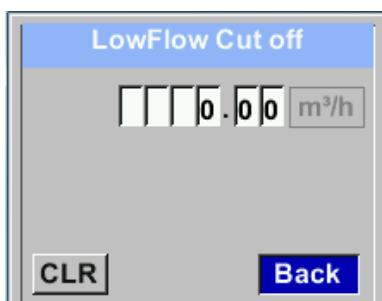
When, without flow, the installed sensor shows already a flow value of > 0 m³/h herewith the zero point of the characteristic could be reset.

For an input / change of the value select with the button „**△**“ the respective number position and activate it with „**OK**“.

By pressing „**△**“ the position value is incremented by 1. Confirm the input with „**OK**“ and activate next number position.

Leave menu with button „**Back**“

Setup → Sensor Setup → ZP Adjust → CutOff



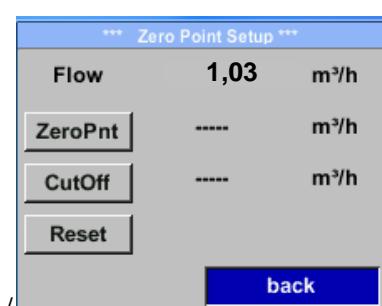
With the low-flow cut off activated, the flow below the defined "LowFlow Cut off" value will be displayed as 0 m³/h and not added to the consumption counter.

For an input / change of the value select with the button „**△**“ the respective number position and activate it with „**OK**“.

By pressing „**△**“ the position value is incremented by 1. Confirm the input with „**OK**“ and activate next number position.

Leave menu with button „**Back**“

Setup → Sensor Setup → ZP Adjust t → Reset



By selection of „**Reset**“ all settings for „**ZeroPnt**“ and „**CutOff**“ are reset.

Menu item to be select with button „**△**“ and confirm the reset with „**OK**“.

Leave menu with button „**Back**“

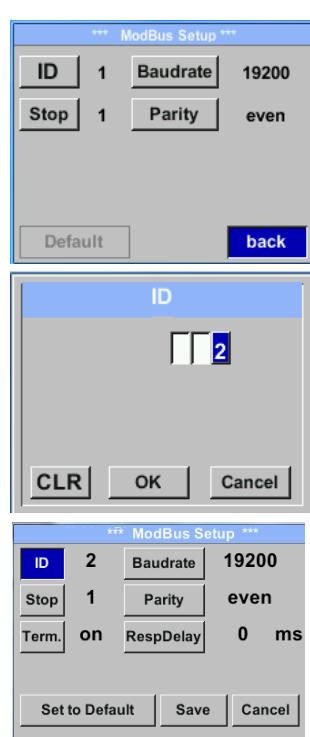
8.3.2 Modbus Setup

The Flow sensors KEC-1/KEC-3 comes with a Modbus Interface.
Before commissioning the sensor, the communication parameters

- Modbus ID, Baudrate, Parity und Stop bit

must be set in order to ensure the communication with the Modbus master.

Settings → Modbus Setup



For changes, e.g. the sensor ID, first select by pressing key „ Δ “ the field “**ID**” and then key “**OK**”.

Select the desired position by pressing the “ $>$ ” and select with “**OK**” button.

Change values by pressing the „ Δ “ values takeover by pressing “**OK**”.

Inputs for remaining information is analog.

Saving the changes by pressing “**Save**”, therefore select it first with key „ Δ “ and afterwards confirm it with “**OK**”.

To set back to default values please press button “**Set to Default**”

Default values out of factory: Modbus ID: 1
 Baud rate: 19200
 Stopbit: 1
 Parity: even

Remark: If the sensor placed at the end of the Modbus system a termination is required.

Therefore, the enclosed 120R resistor is to be connected at Pin 1 and Pin 3 of connector „X2“

8.3.2.1 Modbus Settings (2001...2005)

Modbus Register	Register Address	No.of Byte	Data Type	Description	Default Setting	Read Write	Unit /Comment
2001	2000	2	UInt16	Modbus ID	1	R/W	Modbus ID 1...247
2002	2001	2	UInt16	Baudrate	4	R/W	0 = 1200 1 = 2400 2 = 4800 3 = 9600 4 = 19200 5 = 38400
2003	2002	2	UInt16	Parity	1	R/W	0 = none 1 = even 2 = odd
2004	2003	2	UInt16	Number of Stopbits		R/W	0 = 1 Stop Bit 1 = 2 Stop Bit
2005	2004	2	UInt16	Word Order	0xABCD	R/W	0xABCD = Big Endian 0xCDAB = Middle Endian

8.3.2.2 Values Register (1001 ...1500)

Modbus Register	Register Address	No.of Byte	Data Type	Description	Default	Read Write	Unit /Comment
1101	1100	4	Float	Flow in m³/h		R	
1109	1108	4	Float	Flow in Nm³/h		R	
1117	1116	4	Float	Flow in m³/min		R	
1125	1124	4	Float	Flow in Nm³/min		R	
1133	1132	4	Float	Flow in ltr/h		R	
1141	1140	4	Float	Flow in NLtr/h		R	
1149	1148	4	Float	Flow in ltr/min		R	
1157	1156	4	Float	Flow in NLtr/min		R	
1165	1164	4	Float	Flow in ltr/s		R	
1173	1172	4	Float	Flow in NLtr/s		R	
1181	1180	4	Float	Flow in cfm		R	
1189	1188	4	Float	Flow in Ncfm		R	
1197	1196	4	Float	Flow in kg/h		R	
1205	1204	4	Float	Flow in kg/min		R	
1213	1212	4	Float	Flow in kg/s		R	
1221	1220	4	Float	Flow in kW		R	

Modbus Register	Register Address	No.of Byte	Data Type	Description	Default	Read Write	Unit /Comment
1269	1268	4	UInt32	Consumption m ³ before comma	x	R	
1275	1274	4	UInt32	Consumption Nm ³ before comma	x	R	
1281	1280	4	UInt32	Consumption ltr before comma	x	R	
1287	1286	4	UInt32	Consumption NLtr before comma	x	R	
1293	1292	4	UInt32	Consumption cf before comma	x	R	
1299	1298	4	UInt32	Consumption Ncf before comma	x	R	
1305	1304	4	UInt32	Consumption kg before comma	x	R	
1311	1310	4	UInt32	Consumption kWh before comma	x	R	
1347	1346	4	Float	Velocity m/s			
1355	1354	4	Float	Velocity Nm/s			
1363	1362	4	Float	Velocity Ft/min			
1371	1370	4	Float	Velocity NFt/min			
1419	1418	4	Float	GasTemp °C			
1427	1426	4	Float	GasTemp °F			

Remark:

For more additional Modbus values please refer to the separate Operating Instructions Modbus Installation and Operating Instructions for the sensors KEC-1/KEC-3 and KEC-2/KEC-4.

8.3.3 Pulse /Alarm

Setup → Sensor Setup→ Pulse/ Alarm

Relay Mode:	Alarm
Unit:	°C
Value	20.0
Hyst.	5.0
Hi-Lim.	OK Cancel

The galvanically isolated output can be defined as pulse- or alarm output.

Selection of field „**Relay Mode**“ with key „**△**“ and change modus by pressing key „**OK**“.

*** Pulse / Alarm ***	
Relay Mode:	Alarm
Unit:	°C
Value	20.0
Hyst.	5.0
Hi-Lim.	OK Cancel

For alarm output following units could be chosen: kg/min, cfm, ltr/s, m³/h, m/s, °F, °C and kg/s.

„**Value**“ defines the Alarm value,
„**Hyst.**“ defines the desired hysteresis and with „**Hi-Lim**“ or. „**Lo-Lim**“ the alarm settings when the alarm is activated

Hi-Lim: Value over limit

Lo-Lim: Value under limit

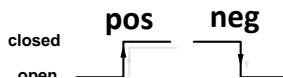
*** Pulse / Alarm ***	
Relay Mode:	Pulse
Unit:	m ³
Value	0.1
Polarity	pos.
Pls per second at max Speed:	0
Back	

For the pulse output following units could be chosen: kg, cf, ltr and m³.

The pulse value definition to be done in menu „**Value**“ (0.1, 1, 10, 100).

With „**Polarity**“ the switching state could be defined.

Pos. = 0 → 1 neg. 1 → 0



8.3.3.1 Pulse output

The maximum frequency for pulse output is 50 pulses per second (50Hz).

The Pulse output is delayed by 1 second.

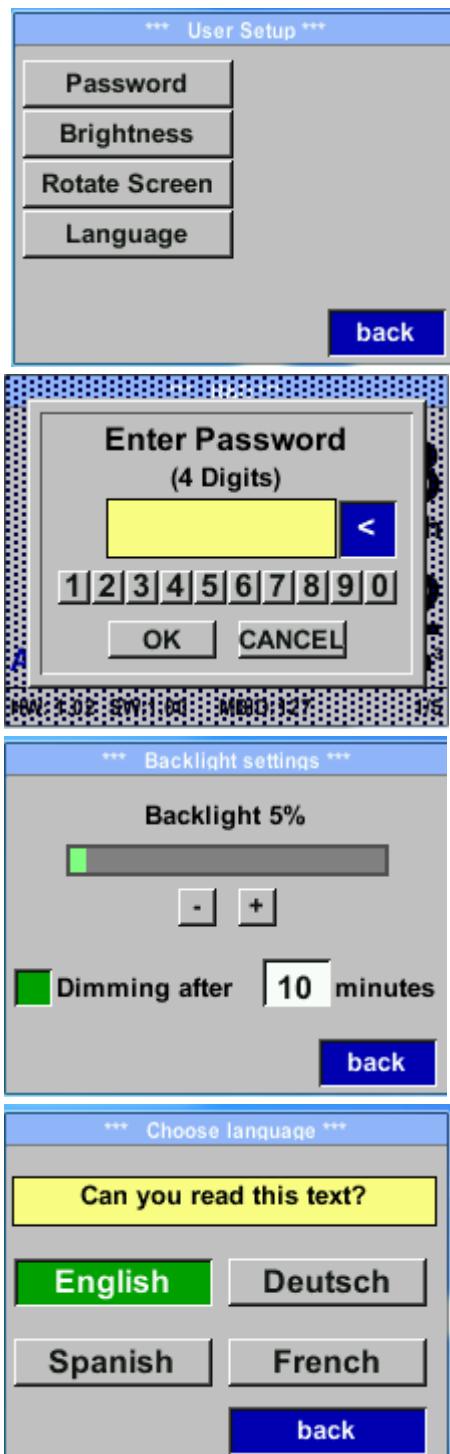
Pulse value	[m ³ /h]	[m ³ /min]	[l/min]
0.1 ltr / Pulse	1,8	0,3	300
1ltr / Pulse	18	3	3000
0.1m ³ / Pulse	18000	300	300000
1 m ³ / Pulse	180000	3000	3000000

Table 1 Maximum flow for pulse output

Entering pulse values that are not allow a presentation to the full scale value, are not allowed. Entries are discarded and error message displayed.

8.3.4 User Setup

Settings → UserSetup



To make changes, first select a menu with button „**△**“ and confirm selection by pressing „**OK**“.

It is possible to define a password. The required password length is 4 digits.

Please select with button „**△**“ a figure and confirm it with „**OK**“. Repeat this 4 times.

With „**<**“ the last figure could be deleted.

Password input have to be inserted twice.

Confirmation of input/password by pressing „**OK**“.

Factory settings for password at the time of delivery: 0000 (4 times zero).

With „**Brightness**“ it is possible to adjust the backlight / display brightness.

By activation „**Dimming after**“ and entering a time a display dimming could be set.

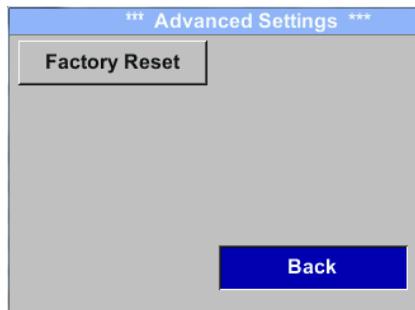
With „**Rotate Screen**“ the display information could be rotated by 180°.

Currently 4 languages have been implemented and could be selected with button „**△**“.

Change of language by confirming with „**OK**“. Leaving the menu with button „**back**“.

8.3.5 Advanced

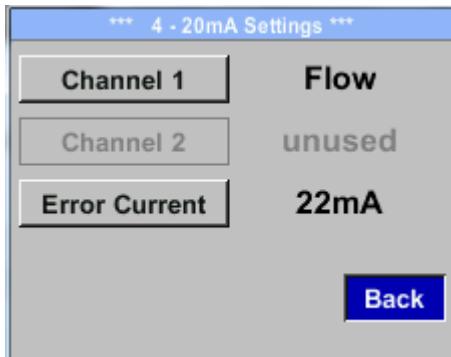
Settings → Advanced



By pressing „**Factory Reset**“ the sensor is set back to the factory settings.

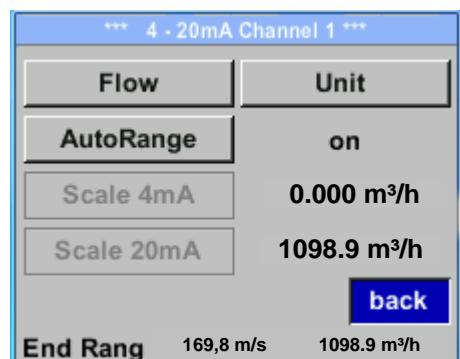
8.3.6 4 -20mA

Settings → 4-20mA



To make changes, first select a menu with button „**△**“ and confirm selection by pressing „**OK**“.

Settings → 4-20mA → Channel 1



The 4-20 mA Analogue output of the Sensor KEC can be individually adjusted.

It is possible to assign following values „**Temperature**“, „**Velocity**“ und „**Flow**“ to the channel CH 1.

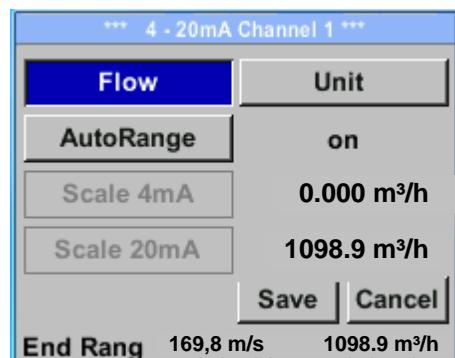
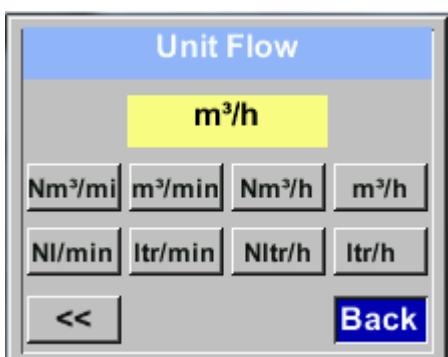
To make changes, first select the value item with button „**△**“ and confirm

Moving between the different measurements values or to deactivate the 4-20mA with setting to „**unused**“ by pressing „**OK**“.

To the selected measurement value a corresponding / appropriate unit needs to be defined. Select „**Unit**“ with „**△**“ and open menu with „**OK**“.

Select required unit with „**△**“ and take over by pressing „**OK**“.

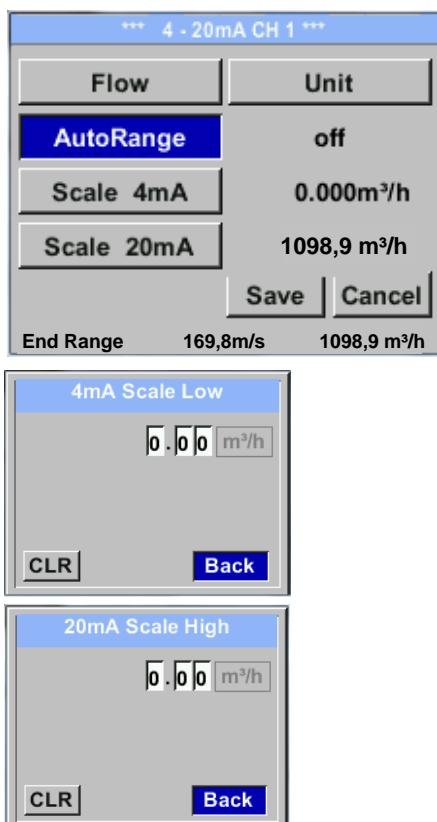
Here e.g. for the measurement value Flow, procedure for the other measurements values is analog.



For saving the changes done press button „**Save**“ to discard the changes press button “**Cancel**“.

Leaving the menu with „**Back**“.

Settings → 4-20mA → Channel 1 → AutoRange



The scaling of the 4-20mA channel can be done automatically "Auto Range = on" or manual "AutoRange = off".

With button „**△**“ select the menu item „AutoRange“ select with „**OK**“ the desired scaling method. (Automatically or manually)

In case of **AutoRange = off** with „**Scale 4mA**“ and „**Scale 20mA**“ the scale ranges needs to be defined.

Select with button „**△**“ the item „Scale 4mA“ or „Scale 20mA“ and confirm with „**OK**“.

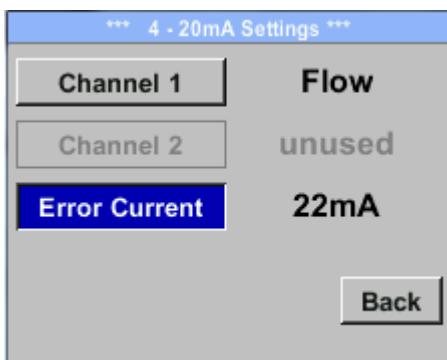
Input of the scaling values will be analogous as described before for value settings.

Using „**CLR**“ clears up the complete settings at once.

For „**Auto on**“, the max. scaling is calculated based on the inner tube diameter, max. measurement range and the reference conditions settings.

Take over of the inputs with „**Save**“ and leaving the menu with „**Back**“.

Settings → 4-20mA → Error Current



This determines what is output in case of an error at the analog output.

- 2 mA Sensor error / System error
- 22 mA Sensor error / System error
- None Output according Namur (3.8mA – 20.5 mA)
< 4mA to 3.8 mA Measuring range under range
>20mA to 20.5 mA Measuring range exceeding

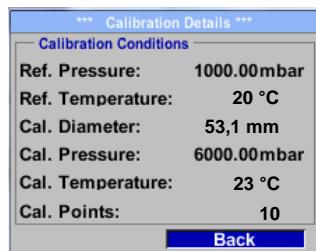
To make changes first select a menu item "Current Error" with button „**△**“ and then select by pressing the „**OK**“ the desired mode

For saving the changes done press button „**Save**“ to discard the changes press button „**Cancel**“.

Leaving the menu with „**Back**“.

8.3.7 KEC-1/KEC-3 Info

Setup → Sensor Setup → Info



Here you get a brief description of the sensor data incl. the calibration data.

Under **Details**, you are able to see in addition the calibration conditions.

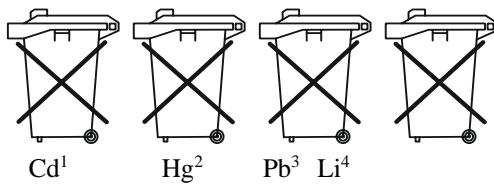
9 Disposal

Note!

- Avoid environmental damage caused by media-contaminated parts
- Dispose of the device and packaging in an environmentally friendly manner
- Comply with applicable national and international disposal regulations and environmental regulations.

Batteries

Batteries containing pollutants are marked with a sign consisting of a crossed-out garbage can and the chemical symbol (Cd, Hg, Li or Pb) of the heavy metal that is decisive for the classification as containing pollutants:



1. „Cd“ stands for cadmium
2. „Hg“ stands for mercury
3. „Pb“ stands for lead
4. „Li“ stands for lithium

Electrical and electronic equipment



10 EU Declaration of Conformance

We, KOBOLD Messring GmbH, Nordring 22-24, 65719 Hofheim, Germany, declare under our sole responsibility that the product:

Thermal Mass Flowmeter for gases

Model: KEC-1/KEC-3

to which this declaration relates is in conformity with the following EU directives stated below:

2014/30/EU **EMC Directive**

2011/65/EU **RoHS**

2015/863/EU Delegated Directive (RoHS III)

Also, the following standards are fulfilled:

EN 55011:2016 + A1:2017 Industrial, scientific and medical equipment - Radio-frequency disturbance characteristics - Limits and methods of measurement

EN 61326-1:2013 Electrical equipment for measurement, control and laboratory use - EMC requirements - Part 1: General requirements

EN IEC 63000:2018 Technical documentation for the assessment of electrical and electronic products with respect to the restriction of hazardous substances



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S.I. 2016/1091	Electromagnetic Compatibility Regulations 2016
S.I. 2012/3032	The Restriction of the Use of Certain Hazardous Substances in Electrical and Electronic Equipment Regulations 2012

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