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XPS/XCT SERIES TRANSDUCERS

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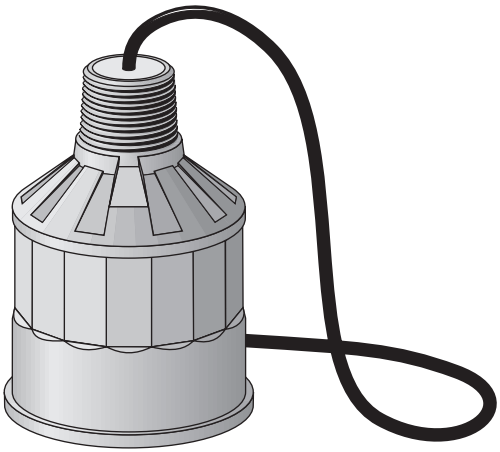

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Safety Guidelines

Warning notices must be observed to ensure personal safety as well as that of others, and to protect the product and the connected equipment. These warning notices are accompanied by a clarification of the level of caution to be observed.

Qualified Personnel

This device/system may only be set up and operated in conjunction with this manual. Only qualified personnel are authorized to install and operate this equipment. Qualified personnel are defined as persons authorized to commission, ground, and tag circuits, equipment, and systems in accordance with established safety practices and standards.

Warning: This product can only function properly and safely if it is correctly transported, stored, installed, set up, operated, and maintained.

Note: Always use product in accordance with specifications.

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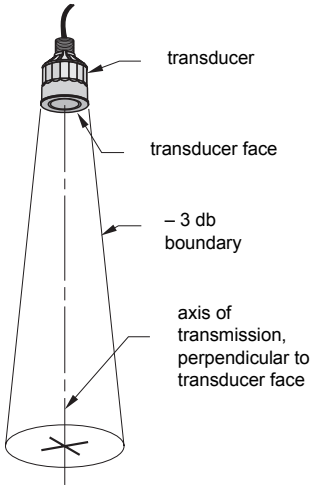
ABOUT THE TRANSDUCER

The Echomax XPS / XCT series of transducers operates in association with Milltronics ultrasonic level monitoring products.

The transducer converts the electrical energy of the transmit pulse from the transceiver into acoustical energy. It then converts the acoustical energy of the echo back into electrical energy for the transceiver receive period.



The effective acoustical energy is emitted from the transducer face and radiated outward, decreasing in amplitude at a rate inversely proportional to the square of the distance. Maximum power is radiated axially (perpendicular) from the transducer face in a line referred to as the axis of transmission. Where power is reduced by half (– 3 dB), a conical boundary defining the sound beam, centered about the axis of transmission, is established. The diametric measurement of the cone in degrees defines the beam angle. Impedance matching techniques are used to optimize the transfer of power from the transducer into air and vice versa.

The XPS / XCT transducers incorporate an integral temperature sensor that reports the air temperature at the transducer to the transceiver. The connection is transparent, in that both the ultrasonic and temperature components of the transducer use the same leads.

GENERAL GUIDELINES

This equipment may be used in all hazardous zones and with all gases with temperature classes T1, T2, T3 and T4 for the XPS series (XPS-10, XPS-15, XPS-30 and XPS-40) and T1, T2 and T3 for the XCT series (XCT-8 and XCT-12). The XPS series is only certified for use in ambient temperatures in the range of - 40°C to 95°C and the XCT series is only certified for use in ambient temperatures in the range of -40°C to 145°C. Neither should be used outside of their respective temperature ranges.

Installation shall be carried out in accordance with the applicable code of practice, and by suitably trained personnel.

These devices should only be supplied from a circuit containing a suitably-rated fuse that has a breaking capacity of 4000A. This fuse in included in Milltronics' transceivers.

Repair of this equipment shall be carried out in accordance with the applicable code of practice.

The certification of this equipment relies on the following materials used in their construction:

Material	**XPS Series**	**XCT Series**
Enclosure	Kynar 710	Kynar 710
Encapsulant	LA-9823-76	Durapot 861-F3 & 864

Manual override can be accomplished by using the disconnect switch provided in the building installation of the associated controller.

SPECIFICATIONS

Model :	XPS - 10	XPS - 15	XPS - 30	XPS - 40	XCT - 8	XCT - 12
Measurement Range, m (ft):	0.3 - 10 (1-33)	0.3 - 15 (1-50)	0.6 - 30 (2-100)	0.9 - 40 (3-130)	0.45 - 8 (1.5-26)	0.45 - 12 (1.5-40)
Frequency (kHz):	43	43	30	22	43	43
Beam Angle:	12°	6°	6°	6°	12°	6°

Environmental:		
-location:	indoor / outdoor	
-altitude:	2000 m maximum	
-ambient temperature:	-40 to 95 °C (-40 to 203 °F)	-40 to 145 °C (-40 to 293 °F)
-ambient pressure:	800 kPa (8 Bar, 120 PSI) 200 kPa (2 Bar, 30 PSI) for flange mount	
-pollution degree:	4	

Construction:			
-exposure:	Kynar®		
-mounting:	1" NPT or BSP conduit connection	1-1/2" NPT or BSP conduit connection	1" NPT or BSP conduit connection
-options:	» factory bonded to suit ANSI, DIN and JIS standards » polyethylene foam facing for dusty or steamy environments » submergence shield, where flooding can occur (only available for XPS-10, XPS-15) » split flange for field mounting to suit ANSI, DIN and JIS standards (not available for XPS-40)		
-cable:	**Included:** 2-wire twisted pair / braided and foil shielded, 0.5mm² (20 AWG), PVC jacket		
		2-wire twisted pair / braided and foil shielded, 0.5mm² (20 AWG), PVC jacket **Maximum separation:** 100 m (330 ft)	Silicone jacket
		RG-62 A/U coax **Maximum separation:** 365 m (1200 ft)	

Supply Source:	transducer shall only be supplied by Milltronics certified controllers					
Weight*, kg (lb):	0.8 (1.7)	1.3 (2.8)	4.3 (9.5)	8 (18)	0.8 (1.7)	1.3 (2.8)
Separation:	365 m (1200 ft) from transducer					
Approvals:	CE **, CSA, FM, CENELEC/ATEX see nameplate or consult Milltronics for current approvals					

* approximate shipping weight of transducer with standard cable length

** EMC performance available upon request

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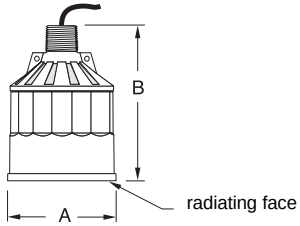
OUTLINE AND DIMENSIONS



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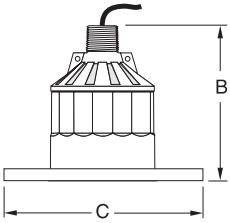
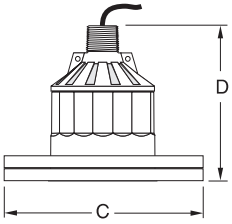


optional bonded flange
refer to associated instructions



optional split flange
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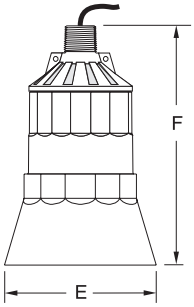


optional submergence shield
refer to associated instructions

Model						
Dimension	XPS - 10	XPS - 15	XPS - 30	XPS - 40	XCT - 8	XCT - 12
A	86 mm (3.4")	119 mm (4.7")	173 mm (6.8")	206 mm (8.1")	86 mm (3.4")	119 mm (4.7")
B	122 mm (4.8")	132 mm (5.2")	198 mm (7.8")	229 mm (9.0")	122 mm (4.8")	132 mm (5.2")
C	to suit ANSI, DIN and JIS standards					
D*	128 mm (5.0")	138 mm (5.4")	204 mm (8.0")	235 mm (9.2")	128 mm (5.0")	138 mm (5.4")
E	124 mm (4.9")	158 mm (6.2")	n / a	n / a	n / a	n / a
F	152 mm (6.0")	198 mm (7.8")	n / a	n / a	n / a	n / a

* nominal

MOUNTING

DO'S AND DON'TS

Special handling precautions must be taken to protect the face of the transducer from any damage.

Mount the transducer so that it is *above the maximum material level by at least the blanking value*. Refer to the associated transceiver manual.

On liquid applications, the transducer must be mounted so that the axis of transmission is perpendicular to the liquid surface.

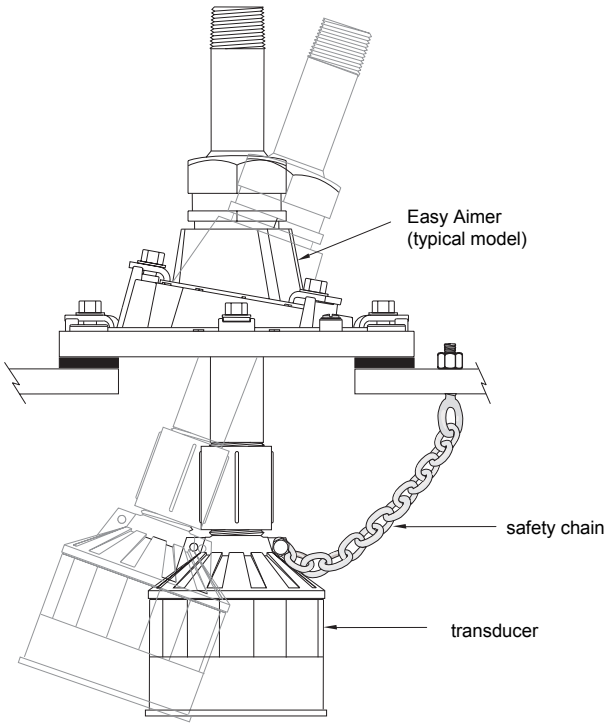
On solids applications, a Milltronics Easy Aimer should be used to facilitate aiming of the transducer.

Do not overtighten mounting. Hand tightening of the mounting hardware is sufficient.

Secure installation by connecting a safety chain from the transducer to a structural member.

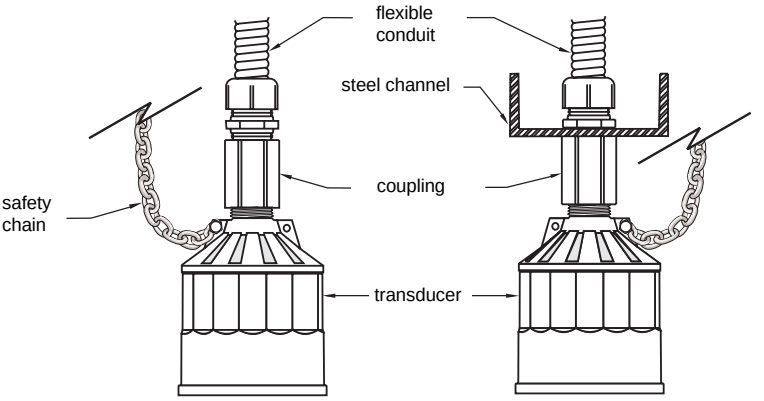
Consider the optional *temperature sensor* when mounting the transducer.

MOUNTING - SOLIDS APPLICATIONS



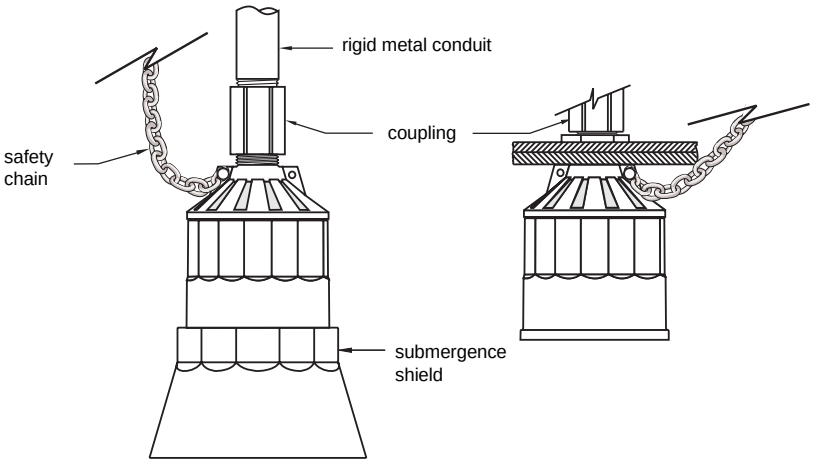
MOUNTING - LIQUID APPLICATIONS

Flexible Conduit **Bracket**



Flexible conduit mounted transducer should not be subjected to wind, vibration or jarring.

Submersible **Plywood**

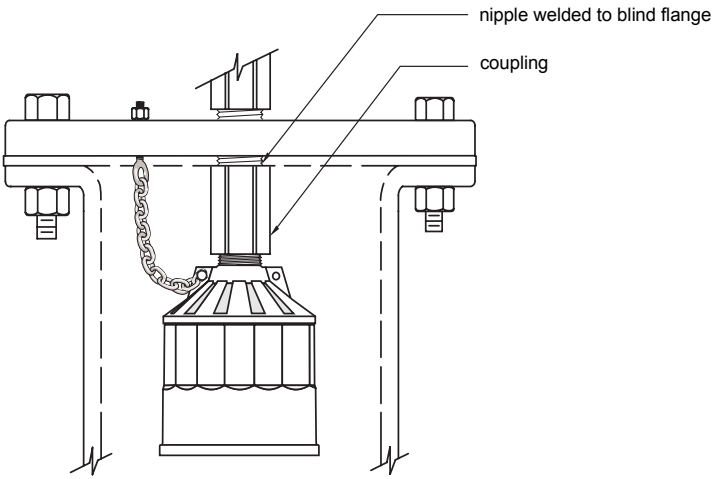


Submersible transducer, used in applications where flooding is possible.

Plywood mounting provides excellent isolation, but must be rigid enough to avoid flexing if subjected to loading.

MOUNTING - LIQUID APPLICATIONS (cont'd)

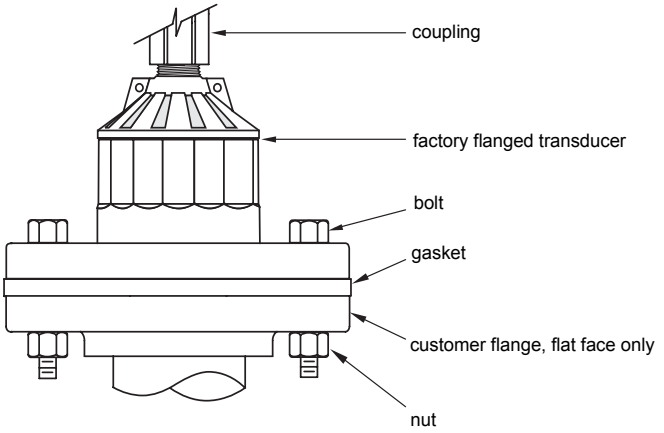
Blind Flange



Flange, gasket and hardware supplied by customer.
Refer to Liquid \ Applications - Standpipes.

Note: Tighten the flange bolts evenly in order to ensure a good seal between the mating flanges.
Caution: **Overtightening can cause performance degradation.**

Flanged

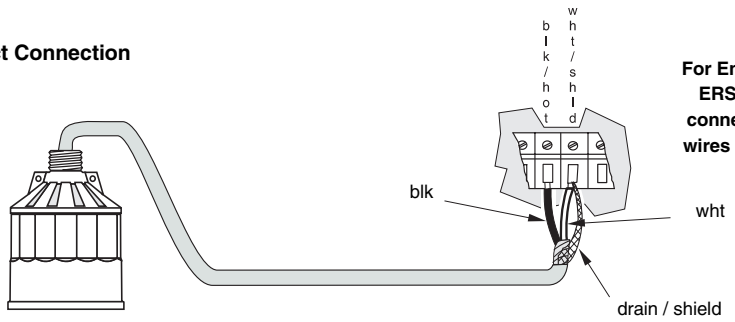


Customer flanged standpipe. If a metal flange must be welded to pipe, refer to Liquid \ Applications - Standpipes.

INTERCONNECTION

Milltronics transceiver (typical)

Direct Connection



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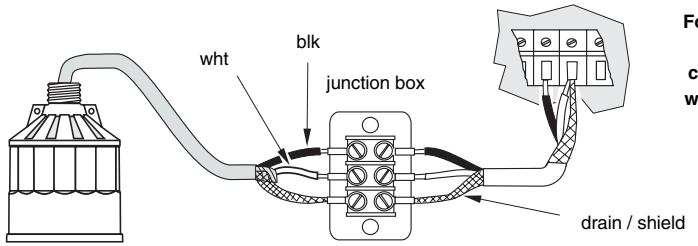
2 Wire Extension



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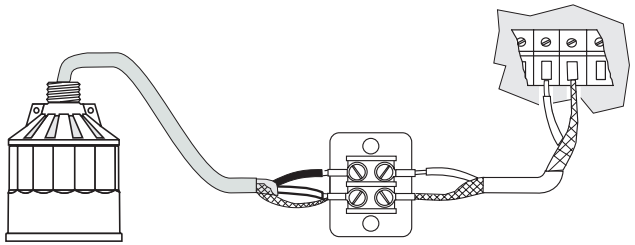
extend cable using 18 AWG shielded / twisted pair

Coaxial Extension

When connecting to an EnviroRanger ERS 500, do NOT use coaxial cable, use a 2-wire extension as illustrated above.



extend cable using RG - 62 A/U coax for optimum noise immunity

DO'S AND DON'TS

Installation shall only be performed by qualified personnel and in accordance with local governing regulations.

Do not route cable openly.

For optimum isolation against electrical noise, run cable separately in a grounded metal conduit.

Seal all thread connections to prevent ingress of moisture.

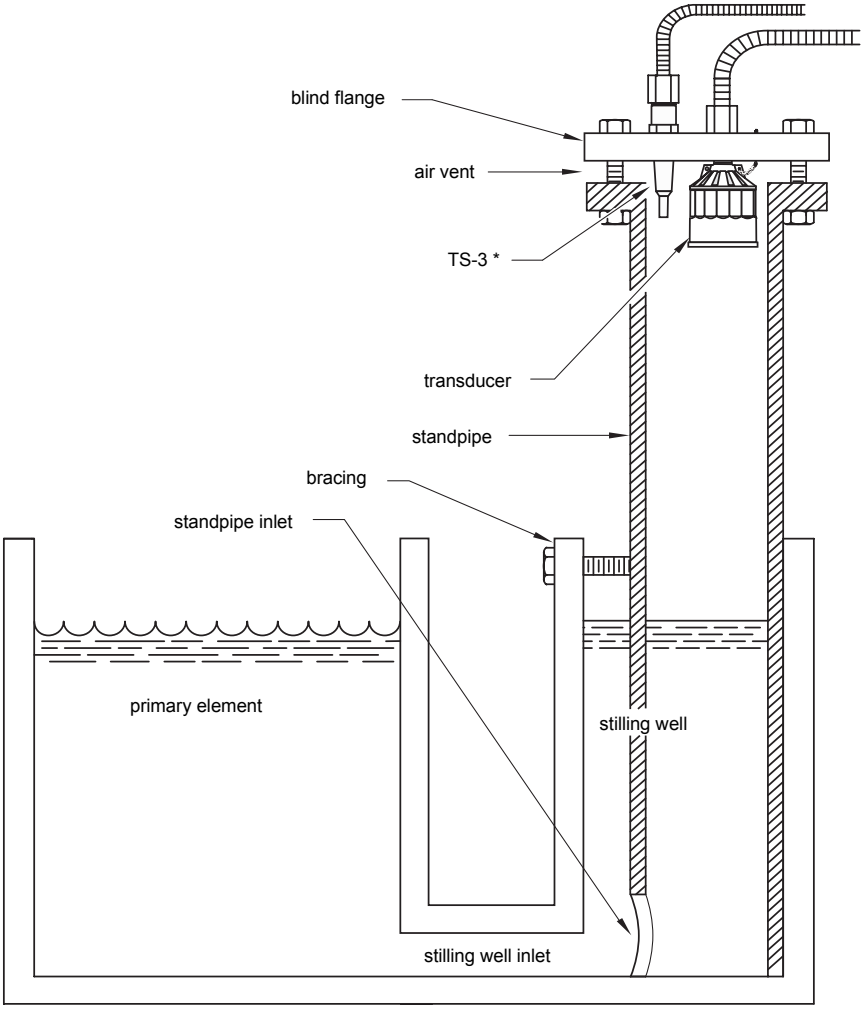
Do not run cable near high voltage or current runs, contactors and SCR control drives.

APPLICATIONS

The transducer is to be used only in the manner outlined in this instruction manual.

Normally, the transducer requires no cleaning or maintenance. However, if performance changes are observed, immediately shut down the level measurement system and perform a thorough inspection, especially on the transducer.

LIQUID APPLICATIONS - STILLING WELL / OCM



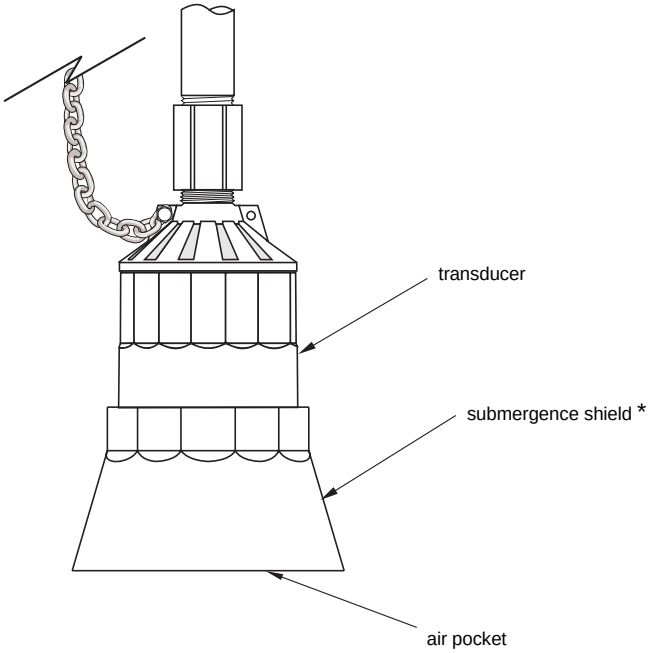
Refer to Liquid \ Applications - Standpipes.

* the use of a TS-3 temperature sensor provides better temperature tracking in applications where the temperature can change quickly.

LIQUID APPLICATIONS - SUBMERGENCE

In applications where flooding is possible the transducer▼ can be fitted with a submergence shield. The shield acts as a bell to create an air pocket in front of the transducer face. The associated transceiver▼ interprets this as a flooding condition, and reacts accordingly.

Refer to transceiver manual for programming requirements.



* refer to associated instruction manual for assembly details.

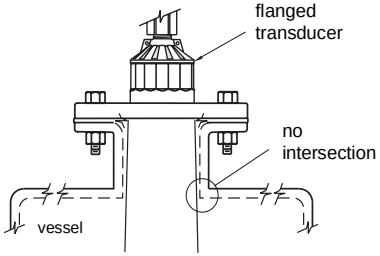
▼ on applicable models.

LIQUID APPLICATIONS - STANDPIPES

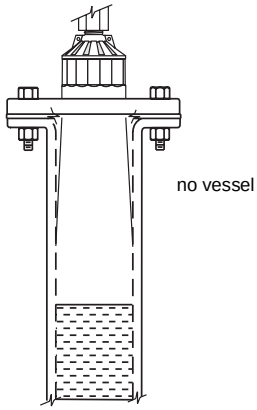
In many applications access must be made via a standpipe. In such cases, Milltronics can provide factory bonded flanged transducers or split flange kit that will readily mate to the flanged standpipe. Another option is to hang the transducer from a blind flange.

The standpipe length should be as short and the diameter as large as possible. As a rule of thumb, the -3 dB cone of the sound beam should not intersect the standpipe wall in applications opening into a vessel or larger area. Otherwise, additional blanking will be required to compensate for the interference zone created by the opening.

Note: When using a stilling well, make sure there is no build-up, welds, couplings, or other debris on the inside of the well wall. This can affect reliability of level measurement.



no additional blanking required



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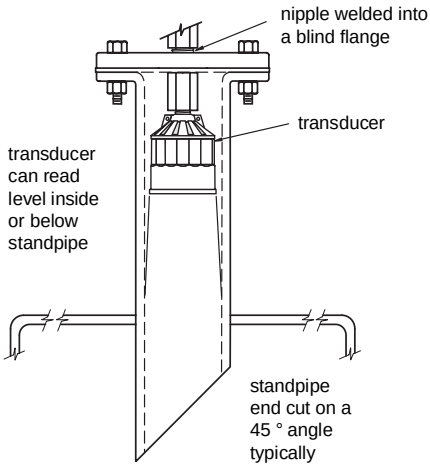

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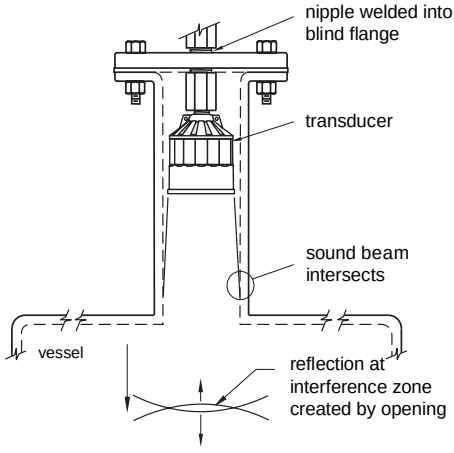
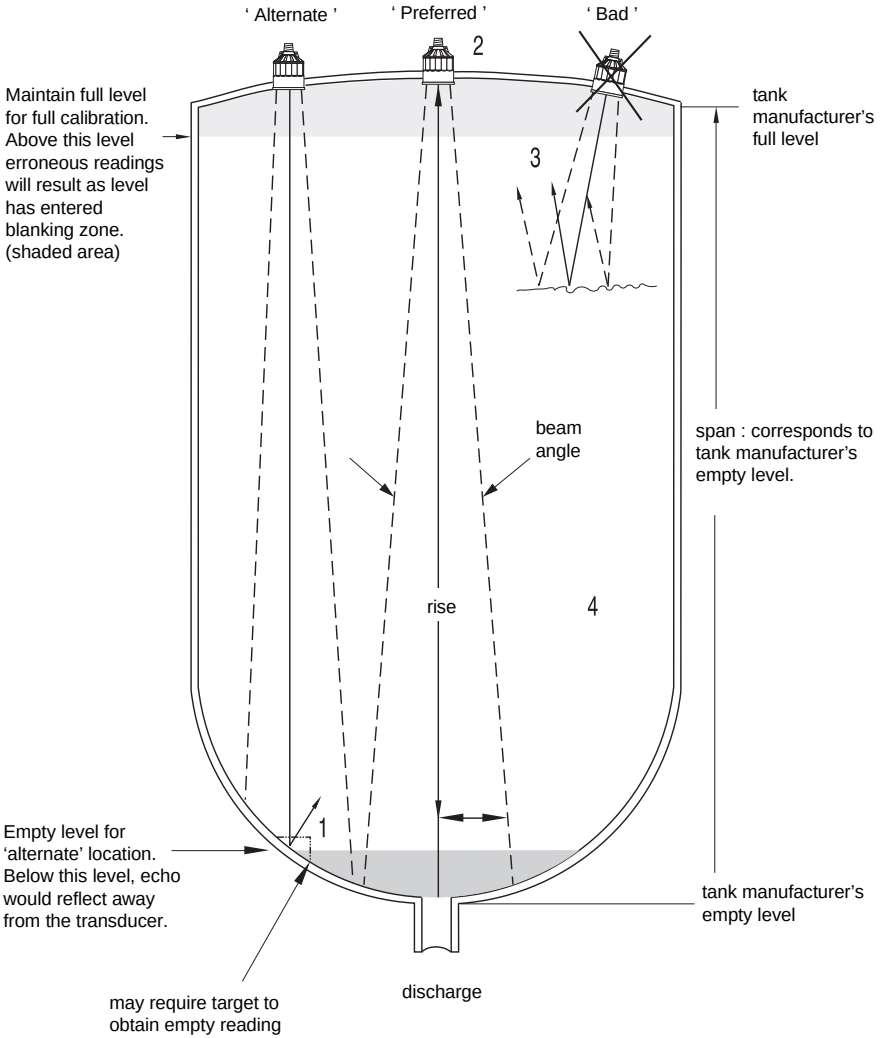


near blanking extension
of 150 mm (6") past end of standpipe may be required.

LIQUID APPLICATIONS - VOLUME



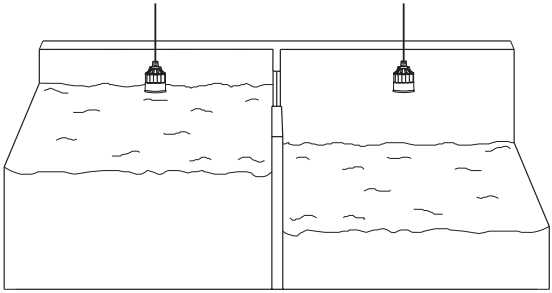
1. Beam should not detect bin bottom. If this occurs use range extension parameters (on transceivers where available) to omit false echoes. A 6° beam angle represents a rise : run of about 20 : 1 (10 : 1 for 12°). In most tanks, the transducer should be centered as much as possible (without interference from inlet) for optimum reading range.

2. Sound beam must be perpendicular to liquid surface.
   If standpipe is used, refer to Liquid / Applications - Standpipes.

3. Echo has missed improperly leveled transducer.

4. When performing an empty or full calibration, the tank must contain its normal vapour and be at its normal temperature.

LIQUID APPLICATIONS - WATER / WASTEWATER



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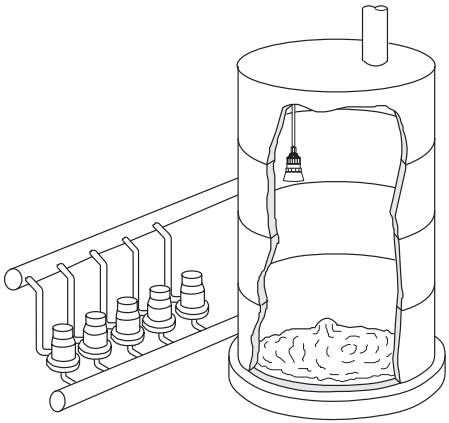
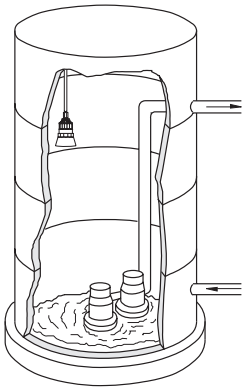
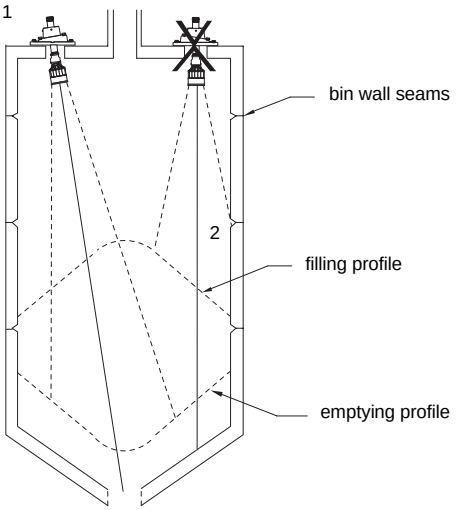


PUMP CONTROL



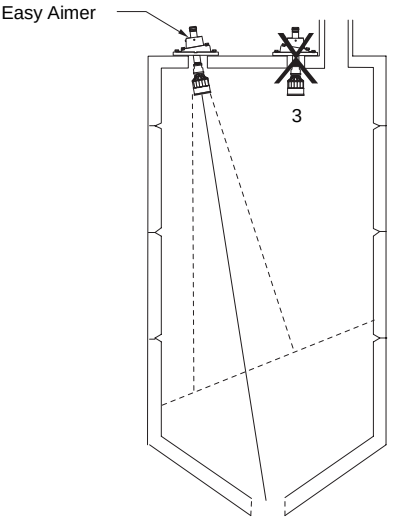
SEWAGE LIFT

SOLIDS APPLICATIONS - TYPICAL

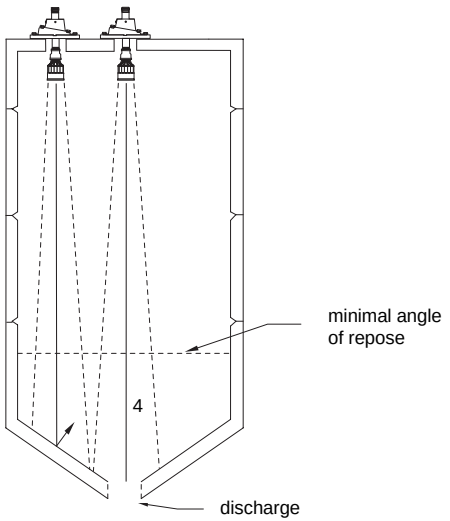


1. Transducer angled to avoid seams in bin wall and aimed at discharge in order to read bin when empty.

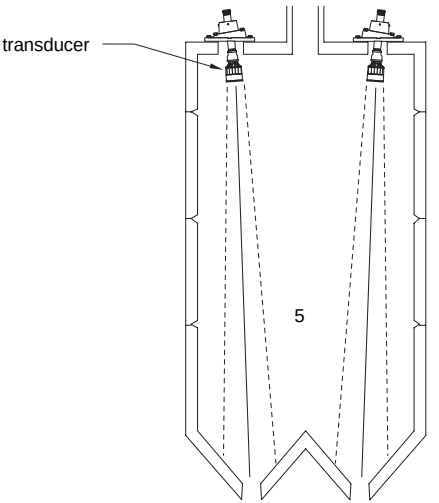
2. Avoid intersecting bin wall seams, structural members and wall irregularities. Otherwise,



3. Transducer too close to material inlet. Falling material will intersect sound beam and cause erroneous readings or loss of echo.



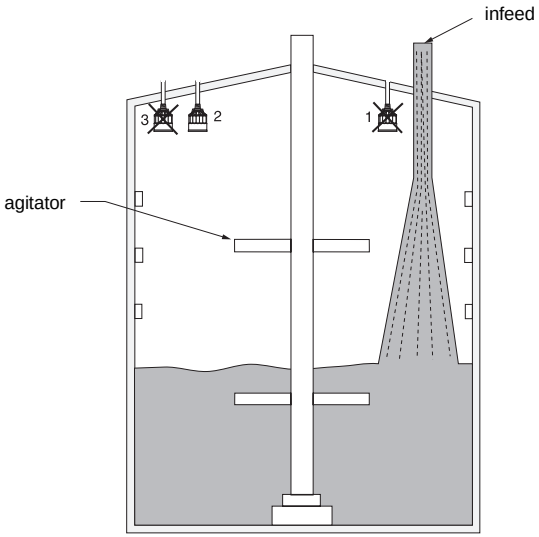
4. On fluid like solids, aim transducer perpendicular to material surface.



5. On dual discharge bins, aim each transducer at the discharge point.

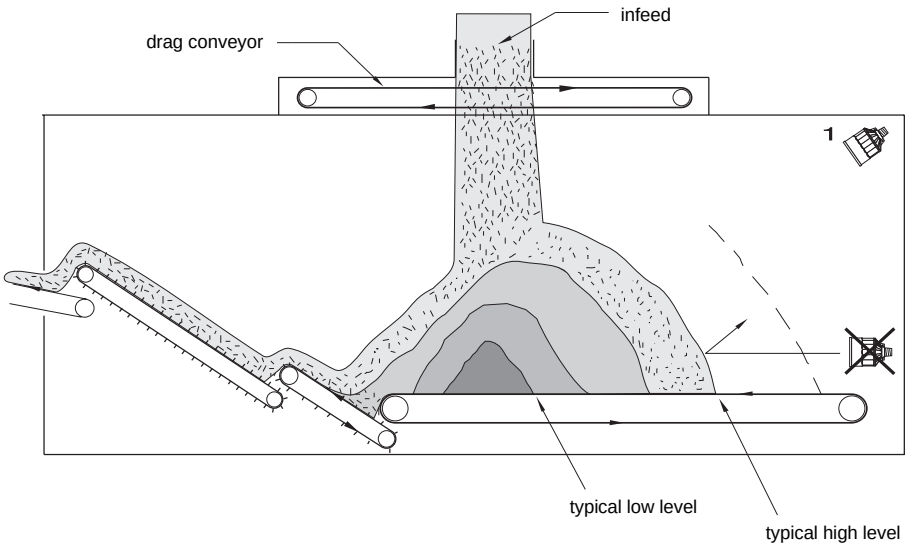
SOLIDS APPLICATIONS - SPECIAL

STORAGE BIN WITH AGITATOR



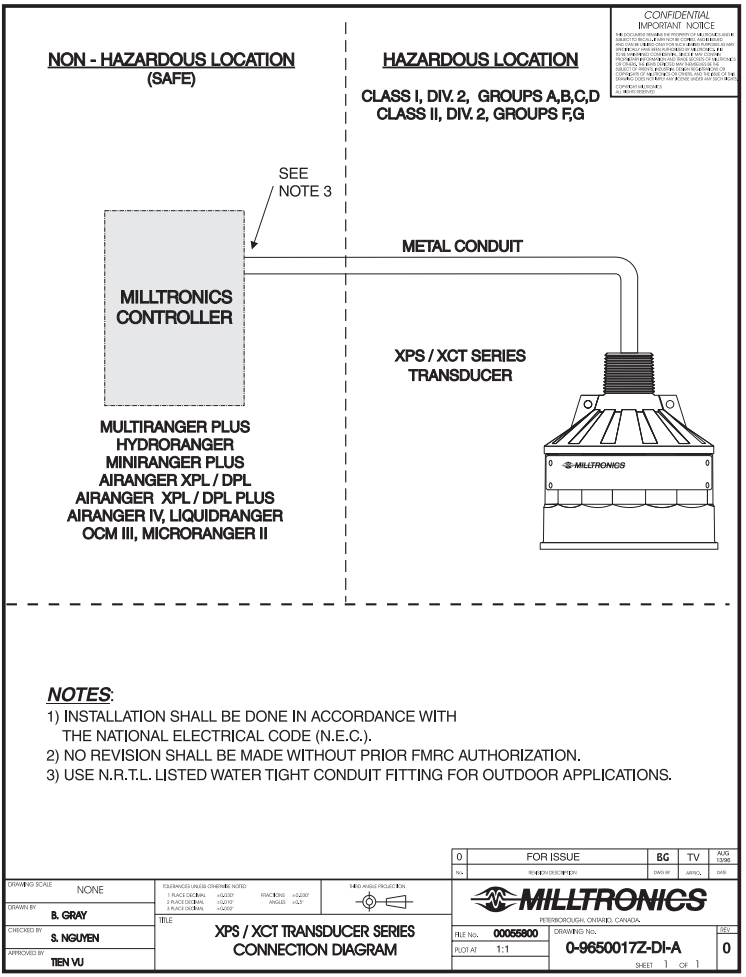
1. Transducer should be kept away from infeed.
2. Where agitators are in use, use the Agitator Discrimination parameter on transceivers where available.
3. Transducer should be aimed away from wall projections.

DRYER - WOOD CHIPS



1. Transducer should be mounted perpendicular to slope of wood chips.

INSTALLATION DIAGRAM



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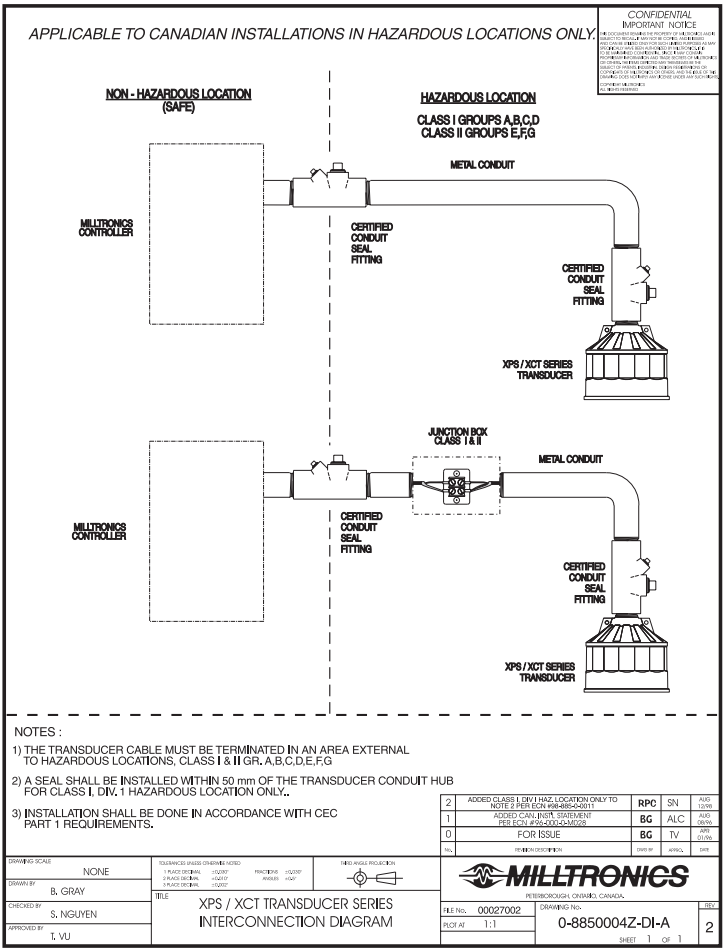

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