

MicroVision

MICROPROCESSOR – BASED
WATER TREATMENT
CONTROLLER

Installation Operation Manual

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INTRODUCTION

The *MicroVision* microprocessor based cooling tower controller has been designed to monitor and control Total Dissolved Solids (TDS) in terms of electrical conductivity measured in micro Siemens per centimeter ($\mu\text{S}/\text{cm}$). A set point of the desired conductivity is entered into the controller through the front panel. As this limit is exceeded, a bleed valve is opened via an onboard control relay. The system's water, with higher concentrations of TDS, is bled resulting in fresh make-up water being added, reducing the concentration of TDS in the cooling system.

In addition to the bleed relay, *MicroVision* has three (3) other onboard control relays assigned as follows:

- Relay 1 - Bleed control
- Relay 2 - Inhibitor timer (selectable)
- Relay 3 - Biocide A
- Relay 4 - Biocide B

MICROVISION FEATURES

Toroidal Probe

MicroVision uses a toroidal probe for conductivity measurement. The measurement is made by passing an AC current through a toroidal drive coil, which induces a current in the electrolyte solution (see Fig.1). This induced current in turn, induces a current in a second toroidal coil, called the pick-up toroid. The amount of current induced in the pick-up toroid is proportional to the solution conductivity.

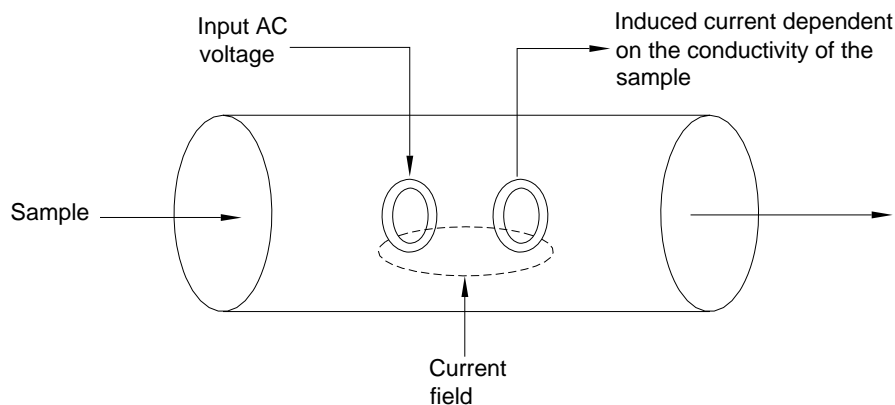


Fig. 1

The main advantage of toroidal conductivity is that the toroidal coils are not in contact with the solution. They are encased in a polymeric material or are external to a flow through cell.

One of the main disadvantages of toroidal conductivity measurements is that it lacks the sensitivity of contacting measurement. Toroidal sensors are also typically larger than contacting sensors, and the solution current induced by the toroid occupies a volume around the sensor. Therefore, toroidal sensors need to be mounted in a larger pipe.

Output Relays

The control of the four HANDS – OFF – AUTO (HOA) output relays can be controlled using the HOA menu.

RELAY STATUS	LED COLOR
ON (FORCED ON FOR 5 MIN.)	AMBER
OFF	RED
AUTOMATIC 'ON'	GREEN
AUTOMATIC 'OFF'	OFF



MicroVision also has one (1) Dry Alarm Contact relay. A “dry” contact is a relay contact without power that can be used to interface with other equipment.

Drum Levels

Three (3) onboard dry contact inputs serve as Drum Level inputs. When a low level is detected (switch closure), the unit will go into an Alarm state and the low drum’s identity will be displayed on the screen.

Flow Switch

MicroVision has a dry contact flow switch input that will de-activate all of the control output relays upon a no-flow indication. An Alarm condition will be indicated and “No Flow” will be displayed. This input is active closed:

Open = no flow; closed = flow.



If a flow switch input or other alarm condition exists, the four (4) LED’s will flash until the alarm condition is cleared.

INSTALLATION

Opening The Enclosure

Loosen the four (4) screws on the front of the controller and carefully swing the top of the case to the right.

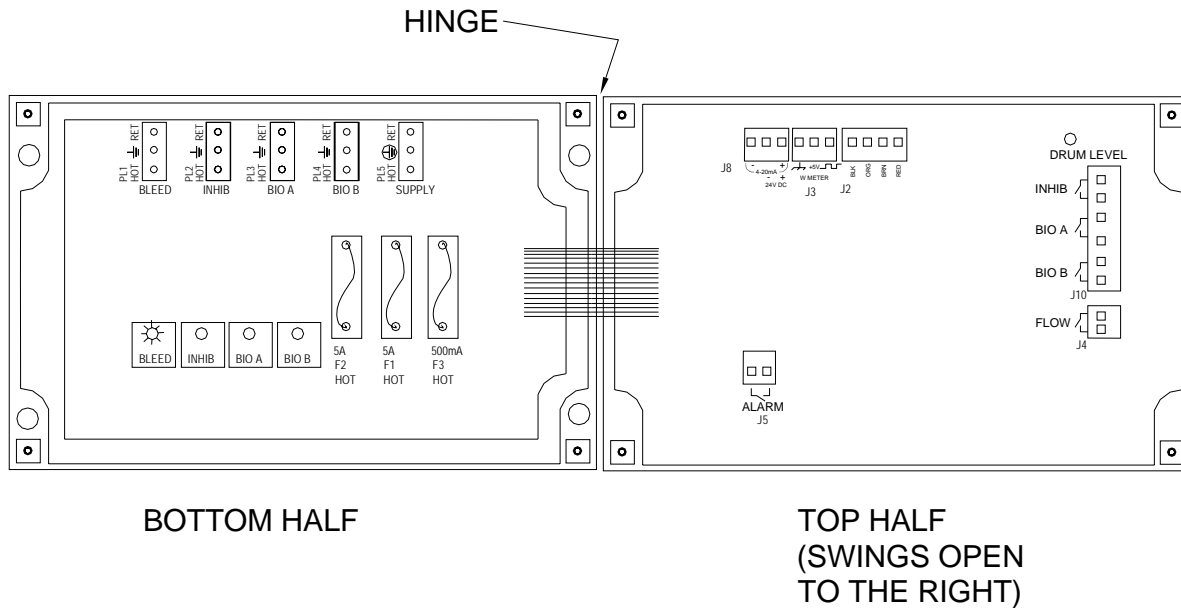


Fig. 2

Location

Select a mounting location convenient to grounded electrical and plumbing connections. It is recommended that you mount the controller on a wall or other vertical surface with adequate lighting at a comfortable level. A mounting-hole template is supplied with your controller. Installation should comply with all national, state, and local codes.



AVOID LOCATIONS WHERE THE CONTROLLER WOULD BE SUBJECTED TO EXTREME COLD OR HEAT {LESS THAN 0°F (-17,8°C) OR GREATER THAN 122°F (50°C)}, DIRECT SUNLIGHT, VIBRATION, VAPORS, LIQUID SPILLS OR EMI (ELECTROMAGNET INTERFERENCE; E.G., STRONG RADIO TRANSMISSION AND ELECTRIC MOTORS.)

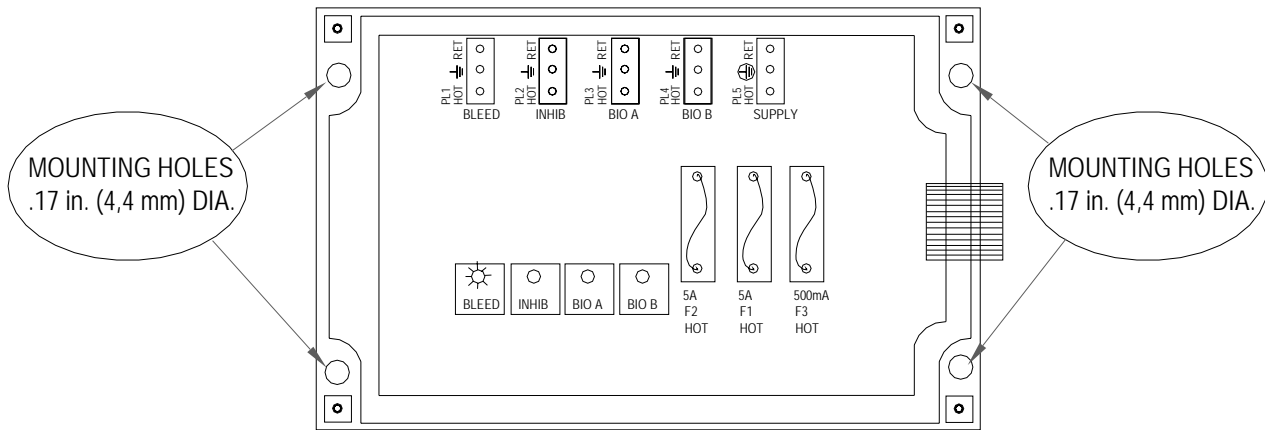


Fig. 3

Mount the bottom half of the controller using the four (4) holes provided (*Fig. 3*).

Mounting Hardware

Typically, use a #8 screw or equivalent. For hole locations, see the mounting hole pattern (*Fig. 9*) found on the page 36 of manual.

Sensor Installation

The controller is supplied with a temperature compensated toroidal conductivity sensor (probe). Install the sensor at some point in your process where chemical and water are thoroughly mixed. The probe should also be located in a position where adequate flow is going around and through the probe (*Fig. 4*) so that the controller will be able to display a good measurement.

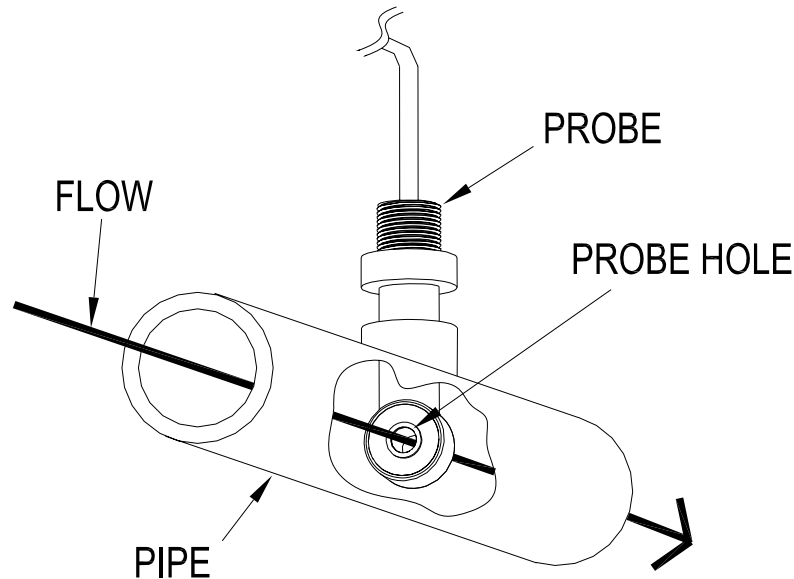


Fig. 4

Flow Sensor Switch

If your controller is provided with a flow switch, install the flow switch so that flow enters into the bottom of the flow switch tee, and out of the side of the tee. The flow switch must always be installed in a vertical position so that the sensor wire is coming out of the top, and the internal (red) flow shuttle is able to rise when there is flow and drop when there is no flow. The flow switch is activated when 1 GPM (3,8 LPM) is going through it, and is deactivated when the flow drops below 1 GPM (3,8 LPM).

TYPICAL INSTALLATION

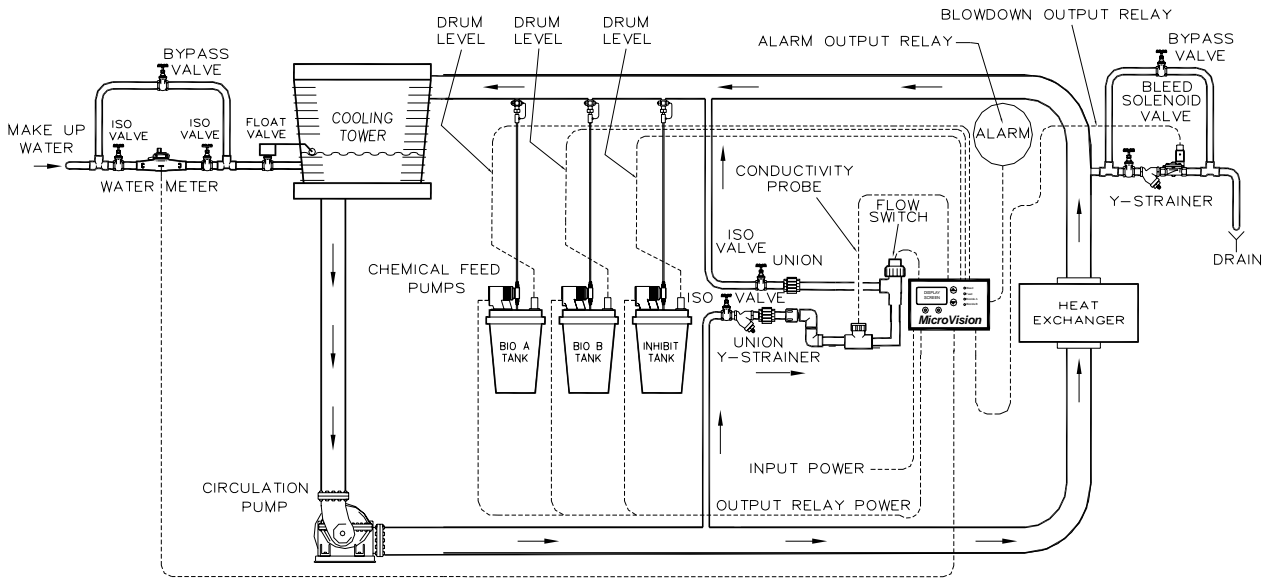


Fig. 5

IMPORTANT SYMBOL INFORMATION



WARNING

Warning indicates a condition that could cause damage to both the equipment and the personnel operating it. Pay close attention to any warning.



Primary Supply Ground must be connected to earth ground for safe operation of your controller.



Chassis Ground – Connect your equipment's ground wire here for safe operation of your external devices.

ELECTRICAL WIRING



CONTROLLER MUST BE WIRED IN ACCORDANCE WITH ALL APPLICABLE ELECTRICAL CODES.

The *MicroVision* electronic input circuitry is fuse protected on both the hot and neutral inputs using a replaceable five amp fuse (*Fig .6*).

For additional protection of your instrument, use of a surge protector is recommended.



The controller should be connected to a dedicated power branch (i.e., its own wiring, circuit breaker, etc.). For best results, the ground should be independent (true earth) not shared.

Pre-wired controllers are supplied with a 3-wire grounded power cord and 3-wire grounded receptacle cords for all controlled line voltage outputs.

RELAY BOARD CONNECTIONS

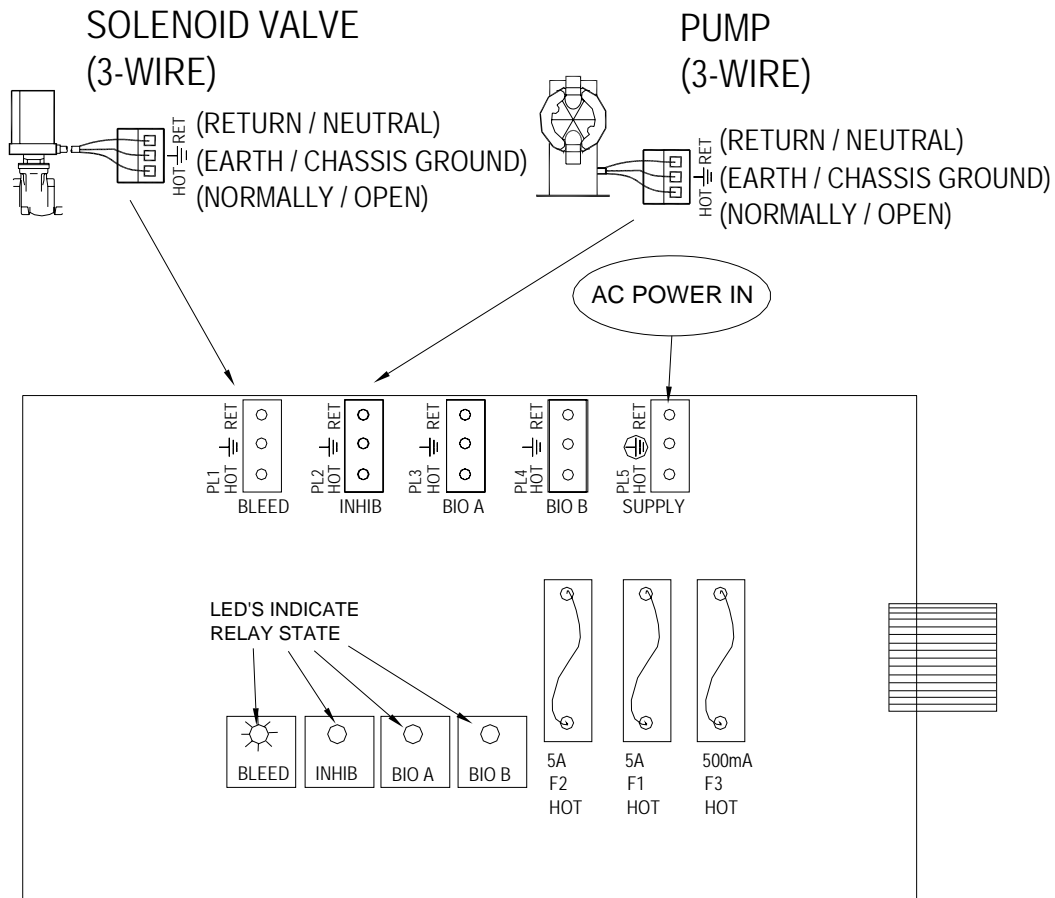


Fig. 6

Conduit Models (Wiring High Voltage)

Conduit controllers have openings for conduit connections for hard wiring. (See Fig. 6) for input and output power connections. Use only 18 AWG (1,2 mm²) stranded wire for conduit power and load connections. Supply (input) power is connected via **PL5** located on the relay board (Fig. 6). The top part of this terminal block is removable to allow for easy access to the connector's three (3) screws.



MAKE SURE THAT YOUR CONTROLLER VOLTAGE SETTING MATCHES THE INPUT VOLTAGE. DO NOT APPLY POWER UNTIL THIS CONDITION IS VERIFIED.

The four (4) output relays are normally open (N.O.) and their terminal blocks are identified as: **PL1 (Bleed)**, **PL2 (INHIB)**, **PL3 (BIO A)**, and **PL4 (BIO B)**. These terminal blocks can be removed in the same manner as **PL5**.



Low voltage signal wires, e.g., water meter, must be run separate from AC power lines. These connections will be covered in the **Low Voltage** section of the manual.

LOW VOLTAGE CONNECTIONS

The low voltage connections are found on the low voltage (right side) board (*Fig. 6*). Use 22-24 AWG (.76 mm²) wire for: flow switch, drum levels, dry alarm, and water meter connections. These signal wires must be run separate from AC power lines.

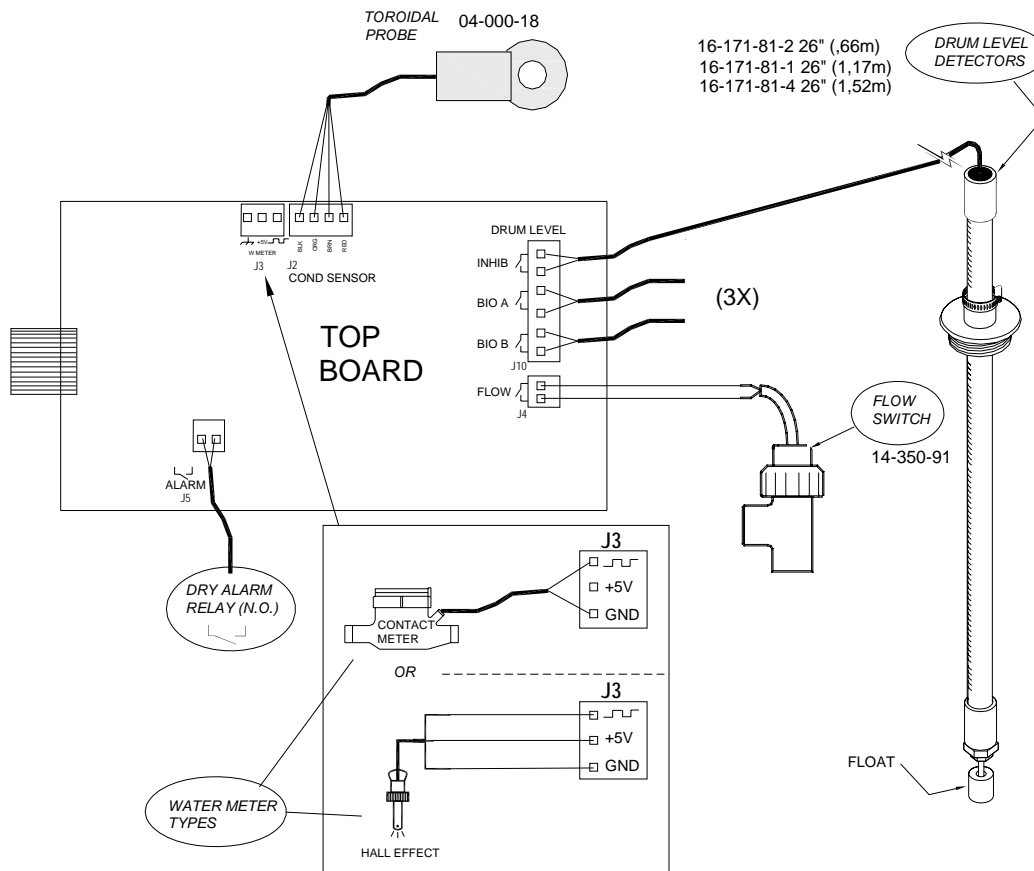


Fig. 7

Flow Switch Input

It is recommended that a flow switch or auxiliary dry contact be used to make outputs inoperative when the cooling tower is shut down. Connect detection wires to **J4** (*Fig. 7*), to use this interlock feature. This is active – closed:
open = no flow; closed = flow.



NOTE

If you do not have a flow switch, a jumper wire must be connected across J4.

Sensor (probe) Connection Input

The controller is supplied with a toroidal conductivity sensor. Connect the wires to **J2** as shown (*Fig. 7*).

Water Meter Input

Connect your water meter to **J3** of the top board. For proper connections, refer to (*Fig. 7*) for your meter type, Hall effect or contacting head.

Drum Level Input

The drum level connections are made to the top board via **J10** (*Fig. 7*). They are labeled as, **INHIBIT**, **BIO A**, and **BIO B**. These are active closed: closed = low level; open = level is OK.

FRONT PANEL DESCRIPTION

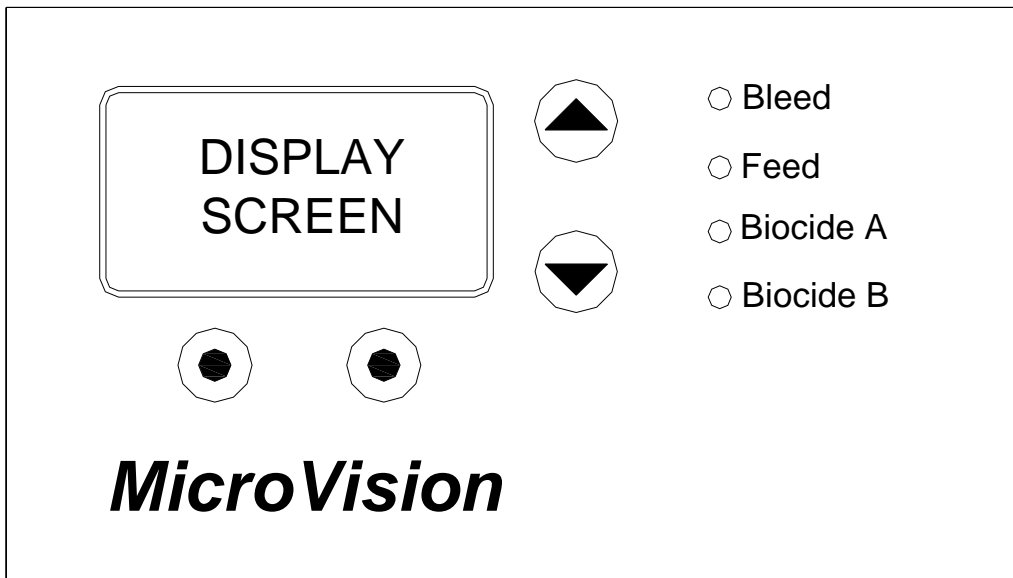


Fig. 8

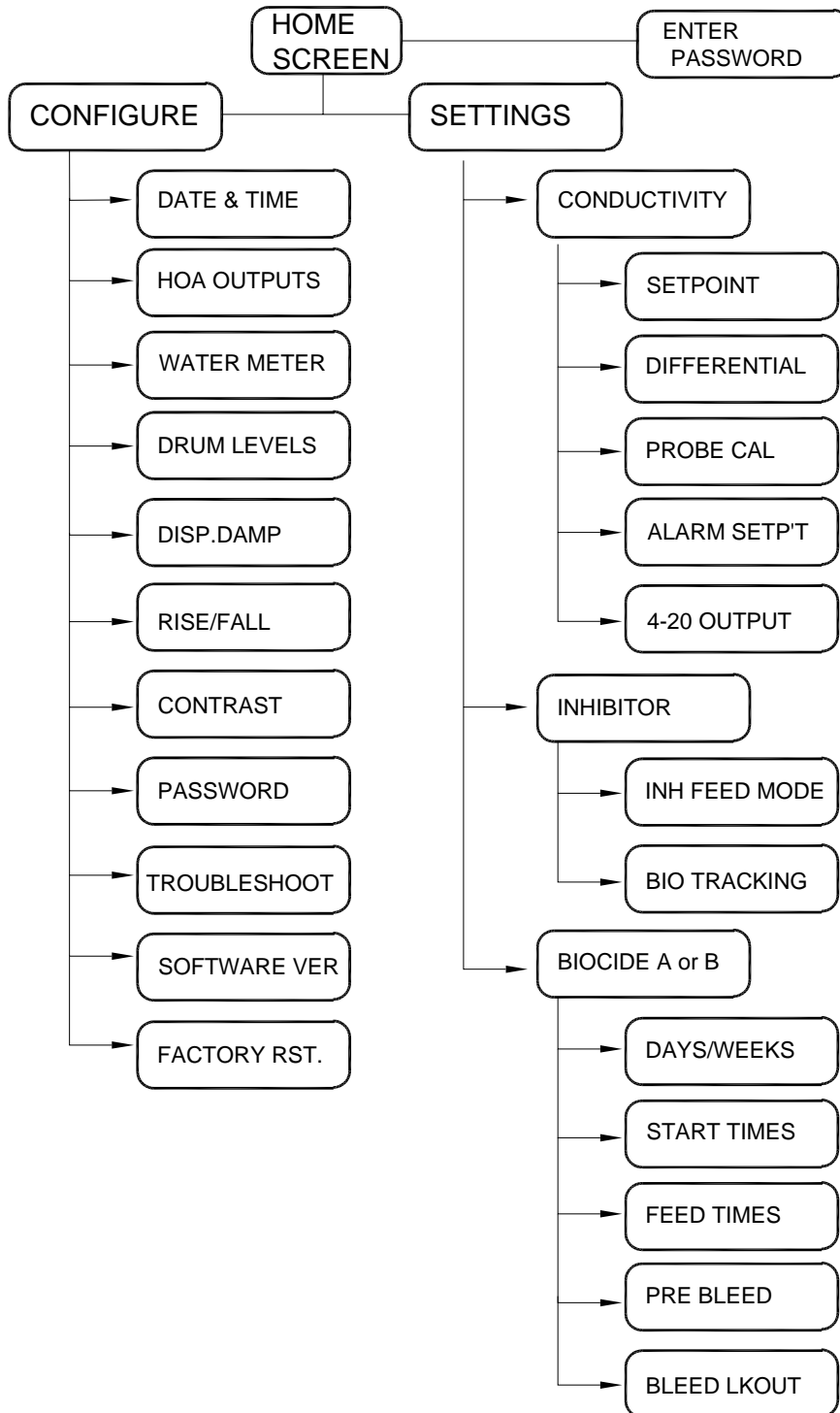
Keypad Operation

UP/DOWN - Dual function keys. Used to move the select (highlighted) box and to increase and decrease values.

○ ○ - Soft keys used for various functions depending on currently displayed screen. The key's function appears above the key on the display.

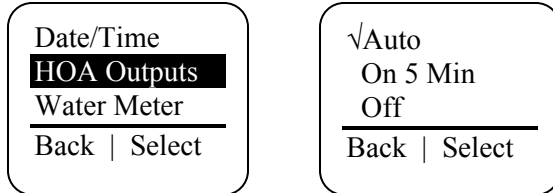
CONTROLLER PROGRAMMING

Menu Tree



Menu Navigation

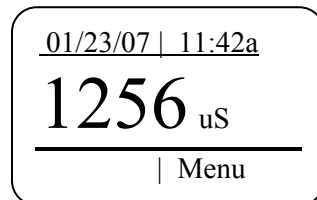
MicroVision uses four front panel buttons to navigate through the different menus. Use these buttons to move up and down, within a list of options, or move right and left to enter or change parameter values. In some cases the *MicroVision* display will prompt you to press the different buttons to assist you in selecting or changing data. Some menus may display highlighted menu options or a checkmark (✓) next to a menu option. The highlighted menu option is used to indicate that another menu will be displayed if this option is chosen. The checkmark indicates that a particular control mode has been selected.



Home Screen

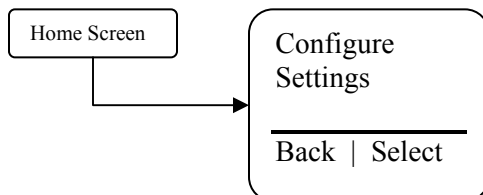
This screen is displayed during normal operation when there are no alarm conditions on the *MicroVision*. If an alarm condition occurs, an alarm message will flash on the screen. The four LED's to the right of the display will also flash indicating an alarm has occurred.

The *MicroVision* will return to this home screen if no buttons are pressed for five minutes after entering a menu. This screen displays the date and time as well as conductivity.



Menu

The Menu screen is the starting point for all subsequent menus.

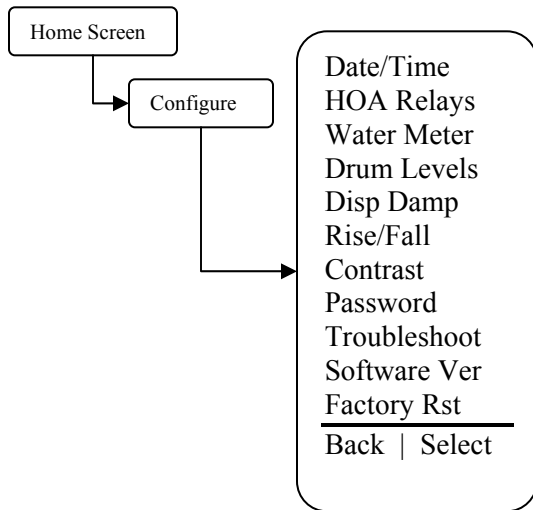


Configure – This menu allows you to set the time and date, display contrast, water meter, etc.

Settings – This menu allows you to set the conductivity parameters, inhibitor feed modes, and biocide control timers.

Configure Menu

From the Configure menu you can select many different system configuration options.



Date/Time – Set the current date, date format, time, and time format.

HOA Relays – Manually control the four output relays.

Water Meter – Set the water meter type, volume, units, and totalizer.

Drum Levels – Set the control output mode when a drum level goes low.

Display Dampener – Set the display and control update period.

Rise/Fall – Select between a rising or falling Setpoint mode of operation.

Contrast – Set the display contrast.

Password – Set the user password.

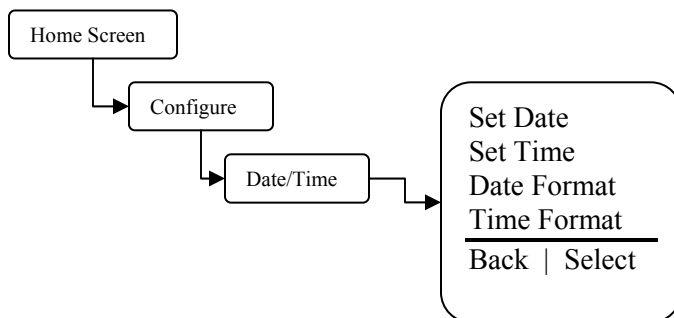
Troubleshoot – View the signal inputs in real-time to diagnose wiring problems.

Software Version – Displays the current software version.

Factory Restore – Restore the parameters to factory defaults.

Date/Time Menu

From the Date/Time menu you can set the time as well as the date and time display formats.



Set Date – Set the current date.

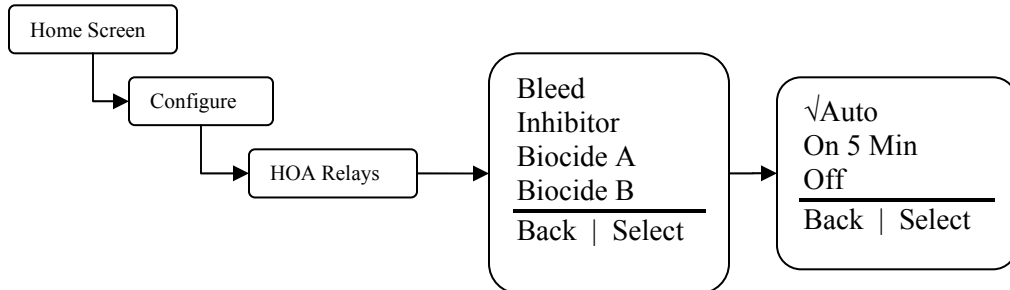
Set Time – Set the current time.

Date Format – Pick the day/month/year format.

Time Format – Pick the 12-hour or 24-hour time of day format.

HOA Relays Menu

From the HOA Relays menu you can manually set the four (4) relay control outputs. This is useful for servicing chemical pumps or troubleshooting electrical problems. You must first select the relay output to be controlled, then select the relay state.



- Bleed** – Force the bleed control output relay on or off.
- Inhibitor** – Force the inhibitor control output relay on or off.
- Biocide A** – Force the biocide A control output relay on or off.
- Biocide B** – Force the biocide B control output relay on or off.

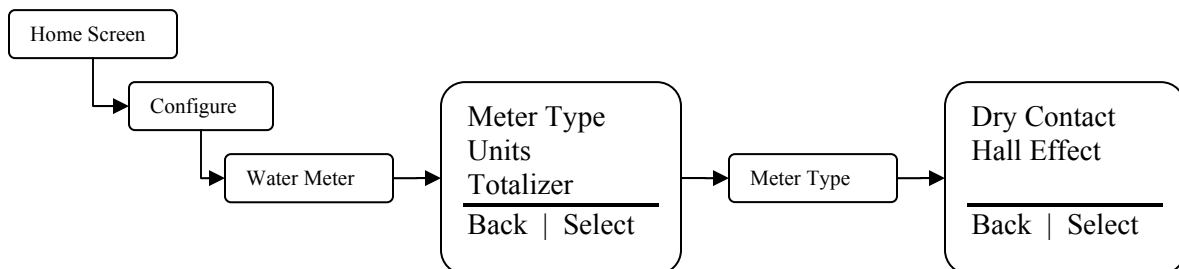
- Auto** – Return the control output relay to normal operation.
- On 5 Min** – Energize the control output relay for five minutes.
- Off** – De-energize the control output relay indefinitely.



FORCING THE OUTPUT TO “AUTO” MAY CAUSE THE CONTROL OUTPUT TO ENERGIZE WITHOUT WARNING.

Water Meter Menu

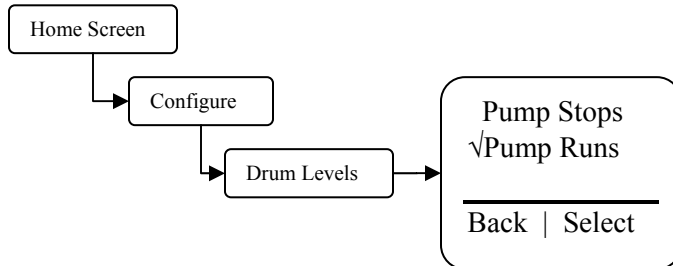
From the Water Meter menu you select what type of water meter the controller is attached to. Once the meter type has been entered, the next screen will ask you for the gallons/liters per pulse or “K-factor”, depending on the meter type. You can also select between gallons or liters for units of measure and view or reset the water meter totalizer.



- Meter Type** – Select between a dry contact or Hall-effect water meter. Once the type is selected enter the resolution or volume per pulse.
- Units** – Select gallons or liters as a unit of measure for water calculations.
- Totalizer** – This displays the current amount of water the controller has counted. You can reset the totalizer from this menu.

Drum Levels Menu

From the Drum Level menu you select how you want the chemical pump control output to respond to a low drum level indication. Your choices are: to allow the pump to continue to run or have the pump stop when its drum level goes low. There is one drum level input for each pump control output.



Pump Stops – Selecting this mode causes the inhibitor, biocide A, or biocide B output relays to de-energize when their drum level goes low.

Pump Runs – Selecting this mode causes the inhibitor, biocide A, and biocide B output relays to remain energized even though their drum level has gone low.



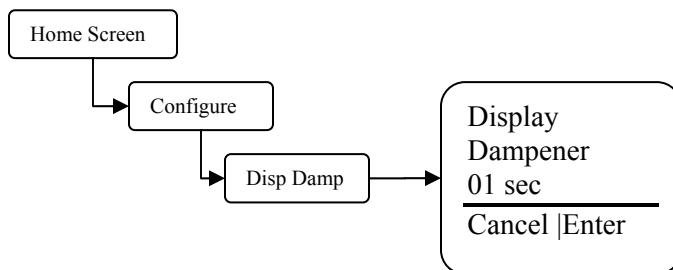
When a drum level goes low the controller will go into alarm regardless of this setting.



RE-FILLING A LOW DRUM MAY CAUSE THE PUMP CONTROL OUTPUT TO ENERGIZE WITHOUT WARNING.

Display Dampener

From the Display Dampener setting option, you select how often you want the actual conductivity reading updated on the Home Screen and dampening of the controller response to sudden changes in conductivity.



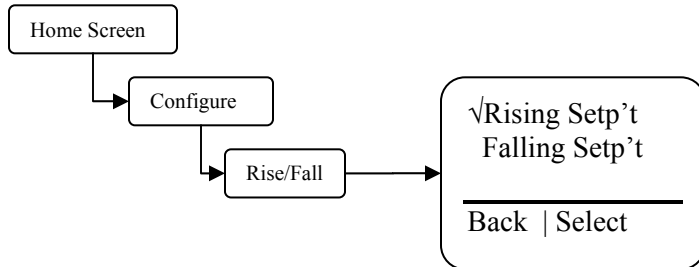
Display Dampener – Set this value to the number of seconds you want the controller to dampen the displayed conductivity and controller response.



The controller takes a conductivity reading every second. Increasing this value above one second, causes the controller to average the readings, hence slowing down the control response.

Rising/Falling Setpoint Option

From the Rise/Fall setpoint option you select which direction the conductivity will tend to go in the process being controlled. If the *MicroVision* is controlling a cooling tower, use the Rising setpoint option.

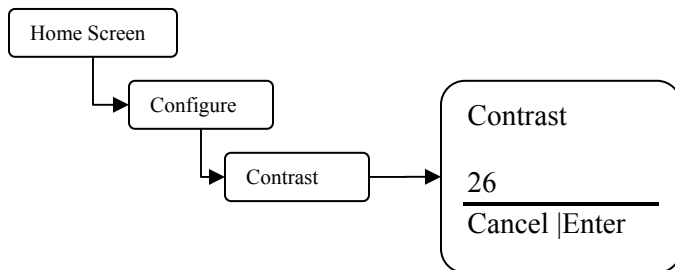


Rising Setpoint – Select this option if a cooling tower is being controlled.

Falling Setpoint – Select this option if the conductivity tends to fall as a result of the process.

Display Contrast Setting

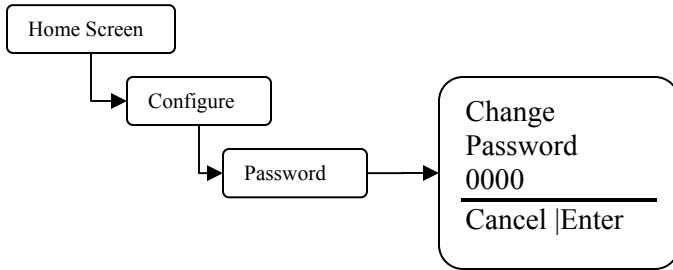
From the Display Contrast setting you adjust the display contrast to give the best clarity and readability of the display screen.



Contrast – Adjust this value up or down to give you the best display.

Password Setting

From the Password setting you select the user password that will be required to gain access to the Configuration and Settings menus. Once the password is set to anything other than 0000 (4-zeros), the password feature is enabled. To disable password protection, return the password to 0000 (4-zeros).



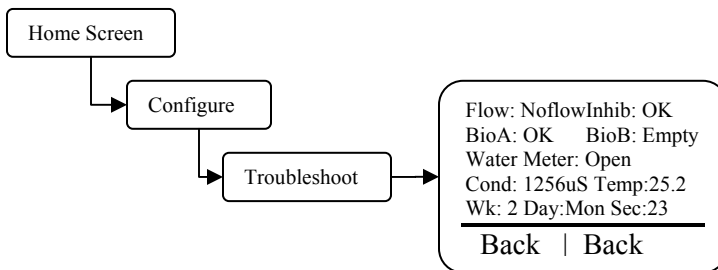
Password – Set the user password.



Once the password is set, the controller will require a password to access any menus. If the password is lost or unknown, you will have to call technical service to gain access to the controller menus. Please have the controller in front of you when you place the call.

Troubleshoot Screen

From the Troubleshoot Screen you can view the *MicroVision* control inputs in real-time. This is a great tool for checking the correct operation of sensors that are attached to the controller.



Flow – Water flow switch input (J4 pins 1-2). Flow=closed, Noflow = open.

Inhib – Inhibitor drum level input(J10 pins 1-2). Empty=closed, OK=open.

BioA – Biocide A drum level input(J10 pins 3-4). Empty=closed, OK=open.

Inhib – Biocide B drum level input(J10 pins 5-6). Empty=closed, OK=open.

Water Meter – Water meter input (J3 pins 1-3). Open=contact open, closed=contact closed.

Cond – Probe conductivity reading.

Temp – Probe temperature.

Wk – Revolving week number between one and four. This is useful when setting the schedule.

Day – Day of week. This is useful when setting the schedule.

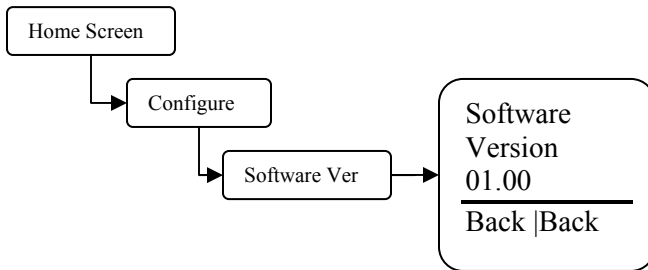
Sec - Current clock seconds.



WHILE THIS SCREEN IS DISPLAYING INFORMATION, THE CONTROLLER IS STILL FUNCTIONING NORMALLY AND RELAY OUTPUTS MAY ENERGIZE WITHOUT WARNING DUE TO CHANGING SIGNAL INPUTS.

Software Version

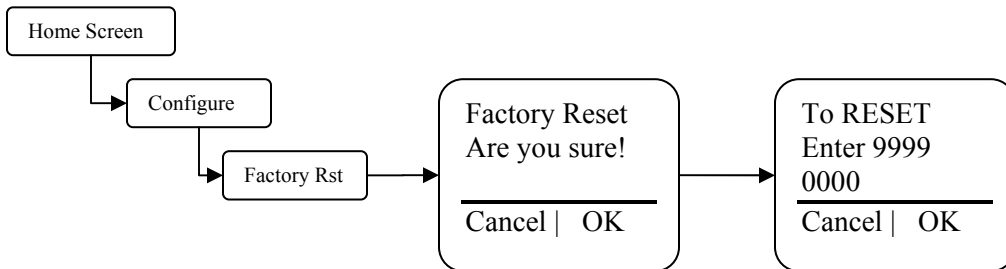
From the Software Version screen you can view the current software that is running in the *MicroVision* controller.



Software Version – This screen displays the current software version.

Factory Reset Function

From the Factory Reset Function screen you can force the controller to reset all of its internal parameter to the factory default values.



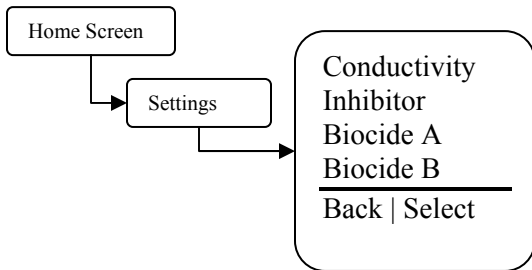
Use this function to reset the controller back to the factory defaults.



Be absolutely certain you want to reset all the parameters back to the factory defaults. Once the reset takes place, there is no way to retrieve the previous parameters.

Settings Menu

From the Settings menu you access the conductivity, inhibitor feed, and dual biocide feed parameter sections.



Conductivity – Set the conductivity setpoint, differential, probe calibration, and alarm output parameters.

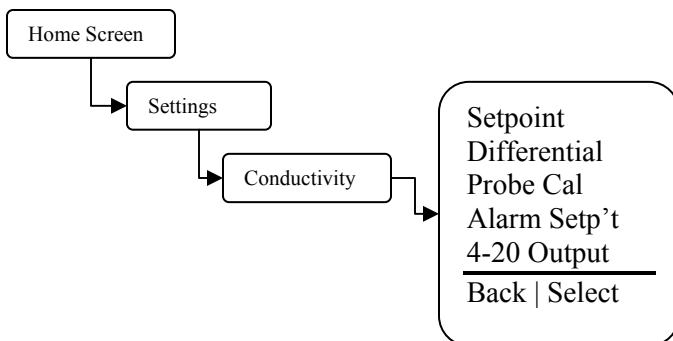
Inhibitor – Set the inhibitor feed and biocide tracking modes.

Biocide A – Set the biocide A days and weeks, start times, feed time, and bleed options.

Biocide B – Set the biocide B days and weeks, start times, feed time, and bleed options.

Conductivity Menu

From this menu configure the parameters that trigger the bleed control output and optionally the inhibitor feed functions. Additionally, the conductivity probe calibration, alarm set points are also configured in this section.



Setpoint – Set the conductivity setpoint. This is the conductivity point where a bleed function will begin. Once the conductivity has reached this value the bleed function will begin.

Differential – The differential setting controls when the bleed function stops. This value subtracted from the conductivity setpoint causes the bleed function to stop.

Example: Setpoint=1200, Differential=100, the bleed function begins when the conductivity reaches 1200 and ends when the conductivity reaches 1100.

Probe Calibration – Use this function to calibrate the probe. Enter the calibrated conductivity value that you would like the controller to display. See the Calibration section for the proper procedure for calibrating the toroidal probe.



Only use a calibration meter that incorporates temperature compensation when performing a probe calibration.

Alarm Setpoint – Pick the type of conductivity alarm tracking you want to use.

Track Setpoint – Use this type if you want an alarm when the conductivity reaches above or below the conductivity setpoint an equal amount.

Example: Setpoint=1200, Track Setpoint=200, an alarm will be reported when the conductivity reaches above 1400 or below 1000.

Independent Setpoint – Use this type if you want to specify an upper and lower conductivity value for alarm reporting.

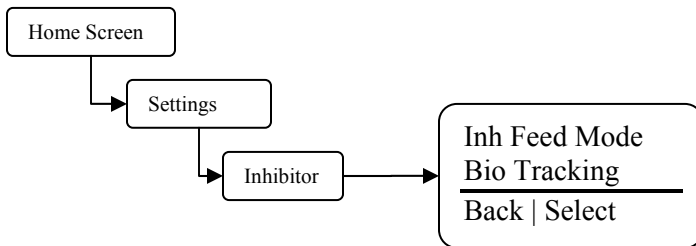
Example: Setpoint=1200, low=900, high=1450, an alarm will be reported when the conductivity reaches above 1450 and below 900.



Entering the conductivity menu may cause the bleed control relay to de-energize. Leaving the conductivity menu may cause the bleed control relay to energize.

Inhibitor Menu

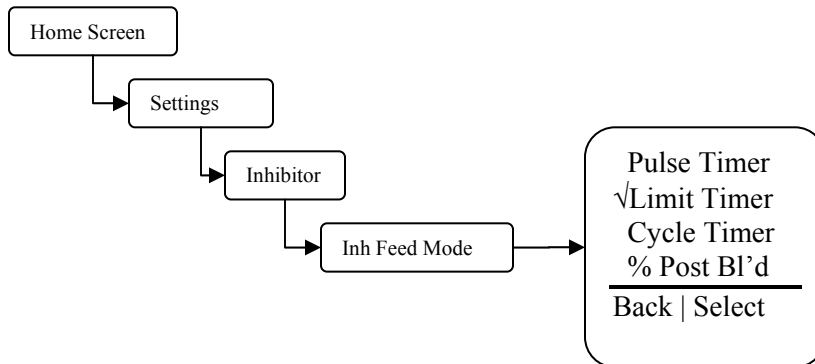
From this menu configure the parameters that control the inhibitor chemical feed control output.



Entering the inhibitor menu may cause the inhibitor relay to de-energize. Leaving the inhibitor menu may cause the bleed control relay to energize.

Inhibitor - Inhibitor Feed Mode Menu

From this menu pick the mode that the inhibitor feed will follow.



Pulse Timer – See the menu for this function in the following section.

Limit Timer – Set this value to the maximum amount of time you want the inhibitor to feed while the bleed function is running. If this time is exceeded the controller will go into alarm and the inhibitor feed control output will de-energize.

Cycle Timer – Set the inhibitor feed time period and percentage of the time period.

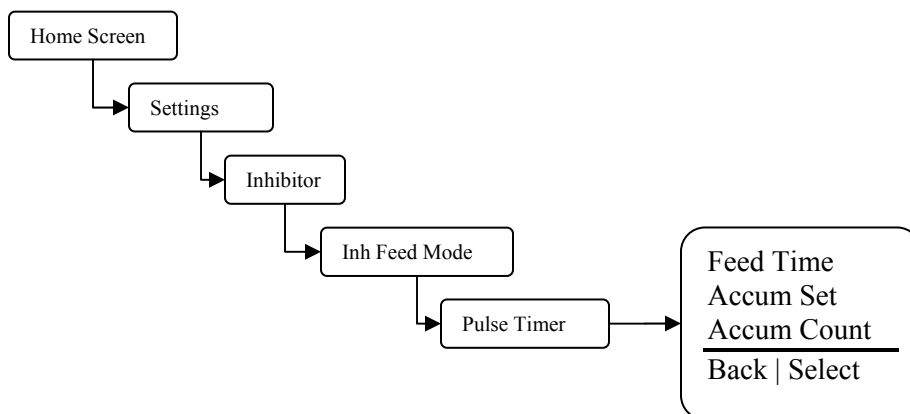
Example: Cycle Time=60minutes, % Minutes to run=10, the inhibitor will feed for 10% of 60 minutes, or 6 minutes every 60 minutes.

%Post Blowdown – Set this value to the amount of time, as a percentage, you want the inhibitor to feed after a blowdown function has completed.

Example: % of Bleed=25%, the most recent blowdown cycle took 20 minutes, the inhibitor will now feed for 25% of 20 minutes, or 5 minutes.

Inhibitor - Inhibitor Feed Mode – Pulse Timer Menu

From this menu configure how you want the inhibitor to feed while in pulse timer mode. This mode uses the water meter input to cause a counter to accumulate a certain volume of water before the inhibitor is feed. Once the accumulated volume is reached the inhibitor is feed for the programmed Feed Time.



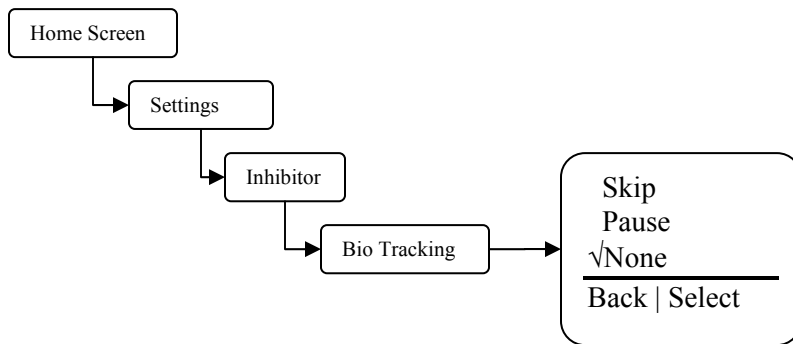
Feed Time – Set this value to the amount of time you want the inhibitor to feed when the water meter accumulator reaches its target.

Accumulator Set – Set this value to the amount of water that needs to accumulate prior to an inhibitor feed. The units will be in gallons or liters depending on what you set the water meter units to.

Accumulator Count – This is the current running count of the inhibitor water meter accumulator.

Inhibitor – Bio Tracking Menu

From this menu configure how you want the inhibitor to feed when a biocide may be feeding.



Skip – Choose this option if you want the inhibitor to skip a feed cycle if a biocide happens to be feeding.

Pause – Choose this option if you want the inhibitor feed cycle to pause or delay until the biocide feed cycle is complete. When the biocide feed cycle is complete the inhibitor will then feed.

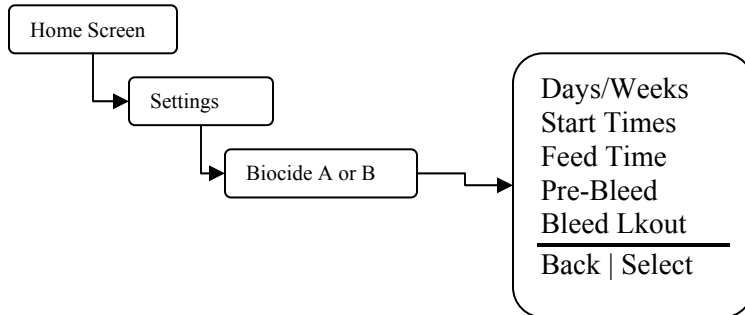
None – Choose this option if you want the inhibitor to feed regardless of what the biocide feed cycles are doing.



Any inhibitor feed time that was paused or skipped due to a biocide feed cycle will not be added to the next inhibitor feed cycle.

Biocide A or B Menu

From this menu configure how often and the duration you want the biocide to feed. This controller can also perform a pre-bleed, using a conductivity minimum and a fixed time, and bleed-lockout function with each biocide feed.



Days/Weeks – Set the days and weeks you want the biocide to feed. See the next section for details on how to set the days and weeks.

Start Times – Set up to four start times. Setting the value to 00:00 means the start time is ignored.

Feed Time – Set this value to the amount of time you want the biocide to feed each time a feed cycle is started.

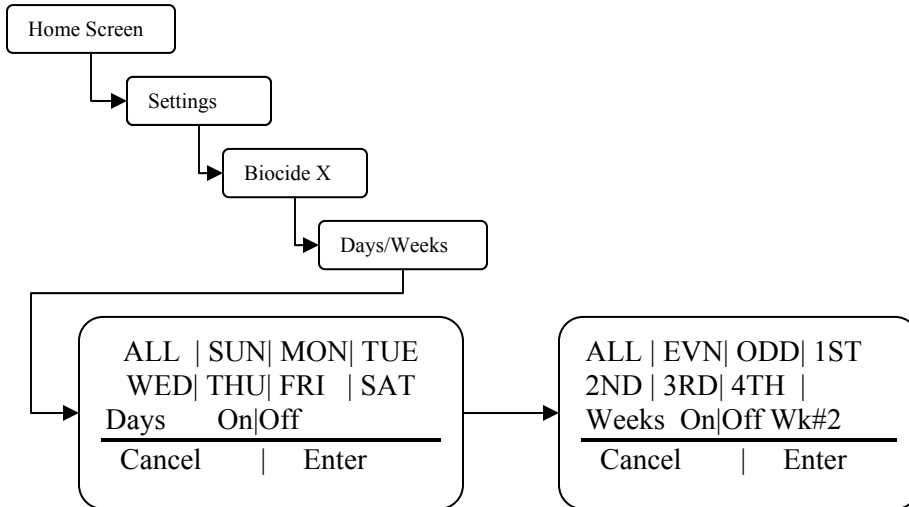
Pre-Bleed – Set the pre-bleed time to the maximum amount of time you want the pre-bleed function to force a bleed cycle without reaching the conductivity minimum. Set the conductivity minimum to the value you want the conductivity to reach before the bleed cycle finishes and the biocide is feed.

Bleed Lockout – Set this value to the amount of time you want to lock-out a bleed cycle once a biocide cycle has started.

Example: Biocide Feed Time = 00:30, Bleed Lockout = 00:50. When the biocide feed cycle starts, it will feed for 30 minutes; a bleed cycle will then be locked-out for an additional 20 minutes, for a total of 50 minutes.

Biocide A or B – Days/Weeks Menu

From this menu configure the days and weeks the biocide will feed. Any combination of days and/or weeks is acceptable for each biocide feed timer.



- Select the biocide start days and weeks by using the up and down buttons to the right of the display. Move the cursor to the right or left by using the button to the bottom of the display. The selected day or week will flash as the cursor is moved to each setting. The flashing On|Off text indicates if the current setting is on or off.
- If a day or week is highlighted, or appears as reverse video, that particular day or week will have biocide feed.
- The week # shown in the lower right of the display indicates which week number the controller's time is currently set to.

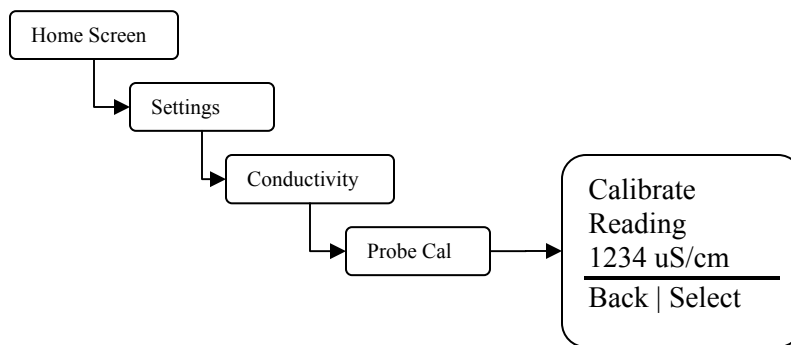
CALIBRATION

Because there are no metal electrodes to foul no re-calibration is required of this toroidal probe on a regular basis. However, you may want to calibrate the probe initially to get a base-line reading for future reference.

There are two methods of probe calibration that can be used to calibrate this probe.

In-stream Calibration – In this method the probe is already installed in the process flow and is currently reading conductivity. Be certain adequate flow (1 gallon/minute minimum) has been circulating around the probe for at least 15 minutes. This will ensure the probe temperature has stabilized and a more accurate conductivity reading will be made.

Step 1 – Move to the Probe Calibration screen.



Step 2 – Draw a sample of the process flow water and measure the conductivity using a calibrated meter. Be certain the meter you are using to measure conductivity is temperature compensated. Write down the conductivity value and sample temperature.

Conductivity _____ uS/cm Sample Temperature _____ ° C



Do not allow the sample to sit for any length of time after being drawn as this will cause the temperature of the sample to be different from the probe.

Step 3 – Enter the calibrated conductivity value into the Probe Calibration screen.



If the conductivity reading varies more than 25 counts from the reading of the calibration meter verify the sample temperature is within $\pm 1^\circ \text{C}$ of the probe temperature.

Step 4 – Return to the Home Screen and verify the proper conductivity reading is displayed.

Standard Solution Calibration – This calibration technique is typically used when the probe is removed from the process flow or prior to probe installation. Use a standard solution that is near the conductivity set point you plan on setting the controller to.

Step 1 – Pour enough standard solution into a non-metallic container so the round end of the toroidal probe is fully covered. Swirl the probe in the solution making sure there are no bubbles trapped in the center hole of the probe.



Do not set the container and probe on a metallic surface or near an electric motor or other source of strong electrical field.

NOTE

Step 2 – Allow the probe to rest in the standard solution for about 15 minutes. This is needed to allow the probe to assume the temperature of the standard solution.

Conductivity _____ uS/cm Probe Temperature _____ ° C

Step 3 – Enter the standard solution conductivity value into the Probe Calibration screen.

Step 4 – Return to the Home Screen and verify the proper conductivity reading is displayed.

FACTORY DEFAULT VALUES/USER SETTINGS

Parameter	Default	User Settings
Configuration		
• Date Format	MM/DD/YY	
• Time Format	12hr Clock	
• Water Meter Type	Dry Contact	
• Water Meter Pulse Volume	100	
• Water Meter Units	Gallons	
• Drum Levels	Pumps Run	
• Display Dampener	1 Second	
• Rise/Fall Setpoint	Rising	
• Display Contrast	26	
• Password	0000(disabled)	
Settings		
• Conductivity Setpoint	1500	
• Conductivity Differential	50	
• Alarm Setpoint	Track Setpoint/200us	
• 4-20ma Low Range (future model)	0	
• 4-20ma High Range (future model)	9999	
• Inhibitor Feed Mode	Limit Timer	
• Inhibitor Limit Timer	1-hour, 30-minutes	
• Inhibitor Biocide Tracking	None	
• Biocide A and B Days/Weeks	All Days/All weeks	
• Biocide A and B Start Times	00:00(disabled)	
• Biocide A and B Feed Time	1-minute	
• Biocide A and B Pre-Bleed Time	00:00(disabled)	
• Biocide A and B Pre-Bleed Conductivity Minimum	1475	
• Biocide A and B Bleed Lockout	00:00(disabled)	

TROUBLESHOOTING GUIDE

Symptom	Probable Cause	Possible Solution
Controller does not power up.	No power supplied to controller.	Insure that correct voltage is supplied to controller.
		Check circuit breaker supplying power to the controller.
	Fuse is blown.	check/replace fuses F1-F3 (<i>see Figure 3, Page 6</i>)
Controller displays "No Flow" alarm message.	Ribbon cable.	Check ribbon cable connecting upper and lower pc boards inside controller.
	No flow thru flow assembly.	Insure there is enough water flow through the assembly. At least 1 GPM (3.8 LPM) of flow.
	Flow switch wiring or connector loose.	Check flow switch connections (<i>see Figure 7, Page 17</i>).
	Flow switch stuck.	Clean flow switch sensor mechanicals.
	Flow assembly clogged.	Clean inside flow assembly.
	Flow switch input jumper missing.	Install jumper if flow switch is not used.
Controller displays "Cond Low" alarm message.	Conductivity reading below programmed low limit.	Adjust conductivity low limit setting (<i>Page 22</i>).
	Excessive amount of air in and around conductivity probe.	Prime flow assembly.
	Bleed valve stuck open.	Replace/clean bleed valve.
Controller displays "Cond High" alarm message.	Conductivity reading above programmed high limit.	Adjust conductivity high limit setting (<i>See Page 22</i>).
	Excessive amount of solids and/or debris in and around conductivity probe.	Clean flow assembly.
	Faulty bleed valve.	Replace bleed valve.
	Clogged bleed valve or drain.	Clean valve or drain.
Controller displays "Inhib Low" alarm message.	Inhibitor drum fluid level low.	Refill drum.
	Drum level switch wiring or connector loose.	Check switch connections (<i>See Figure 7, Page 11</i>).
	Drum level switch stuck.	Clean switch sensor mechanicals.
Controller displays "Bio A Low" alarm message.	Biocide A drum fluid level low.	Refill drum.
	Drum level switch wiring or connector loose.	Check switch connections (<i>See Figure 7, Page 11</i>).
	Drum level switch stuck.	Clean switch sensor mechanicals.

Controller displays "Bio B Low" alarm message.	Biocide B drum fluid level low.	Refill drum.
	Drum level switch wiring or connector loose.	Check switch connections (<i>See Figure 7, Page 11</i>).
	Drum level switch stuck.	Clean switch sensor mechanicals.
Controller displays "Inhib Limit" alarm message.	Programmed inhibitor feed limit timer set too short.	Adjust limit timer value to longer duration (<i>See Figure 7, Page 11</i>).
	Clogged bleed valve or drain.	Clean valve or drain.
	Faulty bleed valve.	Replace bleed valve.
Controller displays "Probe Temp" alarm message.	Probe temperature too high.	Allow process water to cool.
	Probe temperature compensation circuitry failure.	Replace probe.
Controller displays "Probe Comm" alarm message.	Conductivity probe wiring or connector loose.	Check probe connections (<i>See Figure 7, Page 11</i>).
	Bad Conductivity probe	Replace probe.
Controller displays "Clock Err" alarm message.	Internal controller clock failure.	Replace controller.
Controller displays "Watchdog" alarm message.	Internal controller failure.	Replace controller.
Conductivity reading on controller does not match portable hand-held reading.	Conductivity reading is within specification.	Due to variations in hand-held meters, conductivity standard solutions, temperature compensation, and the controller's accuracy of +/- 2% of scale, the reading on the controller may not match that of your hand-held tester.

MAINTENANCE

The only recommended maintenance required on your controller is periodic inspection of the conductivity sensor every 6 months. It is recommended that you establish a regular maintenance schedule designed to meet the needs of your particular application. All other service should be performed by factory authorized personnel only. Modifications to or tampering with the circuit level components makes all warranties, written or implied, and/or manufacturer's responsibility for this controller, null and void.

SPECIFICATIONS

Controller	
Enclosure	NEMA 4 / IP66
Enclosure Dimensions	6.4" x 3.2" x 3.2" (163 x 82 x 82mm)
Power supply	110 or 220 VAC; 50/60Hz.
Display	LCD 0 - 9,999 μ S/cm range 1 μ S/cm resolution
Maximum output current	5 Amperes
Accuracy	+/- 2% of scale

Probe	
Maximum temperature	122° F (50°C)
Temperature compensation range	32°F – 122°F (0° – 50°C)
Maximum pressure	125 PSI (8.6 BAR)
Probe type	Toroidal
Maximum cable length	15 Feet (4.6 Meters)
Materials of construction	Polypropylene
Thread size	½" Standard thread -Excludes Tee and Reducer
Maximum outside diameter	1.5" (38 mm)- Excludes Tee and Reducer
Conductivity reading	0-9999 uS/cm; 1 uS/cm increments

Flow Switch	
Maximum temperature	127°F (52°C)
Maximum pressure	125 PSI (8.6 BAR)
Activate flow rate	Approximately 1 GPM (3.785 LPM)
Materials of construction	PVC and Glass filled Polypropylene

GLOSSARY

Alarm Relay – an electric circuit when triggered by a predetermined signal will activate an externally connected alarm

Analog – a continuous signal (4-20mA) that can be used to represent a physical variable, e.g., conductivity

Biocide – an agent used to control the growth of algae and other organic substances

Bleed – to release water from the system, used to control conductivity

Bleed Valve – the valve that opens or closes to release water from the system activated by a signal from the Controller

Buffer Solution – a solution with a specific pH value used as a control in calibrating probes.

Calibration – a procedure to match values “read” by probes to actual real world values

Chattering – a situation that occurs when relay controlled device repeatedly turns off and on

Chemical Feed Pump – a relay or proportionally controlled pump that disperses chemical into the system (e.g., PULSAtron)

Chemical Metering Pump – see Chemical Feed Pump

Conductivity – the ability of a substance to conduct electrical current, concentrations of dissolved and suspended solids in water directly determine the conductivity of the water

Conduit – tubing through which wire is run

Configure – procedure to setup basic functions of the controller, i.e., date, time, set point control, etc.

Contacting head water meter – a water meter that outputs a dry contact signal every time it pulses

Contrast – difference in brightness between adjacent objects, e.g., darkness of text in screen display verses background

Cooling Tower – a structure of various sizes that allows heat to radiate away from the system water

Cursor – See prompt

Cycle Timer – a timing device that can be preset to turn off and on at specific intervals

Differential – also referred to as dead band or hysteresis, this is a range or offset applied to a set point value (see chattering)

Dry Contact – relay contacts without power

Electrodes – or probes, the metal protrusions that measure conductivity in the conductivity probe assembly

Float Switch – a mechanical switch that provides an electrical contact when the water level rises to a predetermined height

Flow – refers to the movement of water through the system

Flow Assembly – an option, which attaches to the controller and incorporates a flow switch, probe/probe ports, and sample valve

Hall Effect Water Meter – Solid state flow detection device

Heat Exchanger – a mechanical device that facilitates the transfer of heat between two mediums

High Current – 20 mA signal

Hi Lo Alarm – a function of the controller that signals the user when conditions exceed a predetermined high or low value

HOA – abbreviation for Hands-Off-Auto relay control

Inhibitor – a chemical or compound used to aid the control of corrosion or scaling in the cooling tower system

Inhibitor Feed – term referring to the disbursement of inhibitor in to the system

Inhibitor Timer – a function of the controller that regulates the amount of time inhibitor is introduced to the system

Initialization – a procedure to reset the controller to original factory conditions

Inorganic Scale Deposits – undesirable precipitate formations within the cooling tower system

Inputs – receptacles or hook-ups for signals delivered to the controller

Interval – the amount of time between bleed events

Isolated Input – an input (analog or digital) that is electrically isolated from main power supply and its ground

(ISO) Isolation Valves – general term that refers to valves in the system used to isolate various components of the system from the main flow

Jumper – a wire connector (shunt) that connects two (2) points

LED – abbreviation for Light Emitting Diode

Limit Timer – also referred to as lockout timer or feed limit timer, it limits the amount of time output is activated

Line Voltage – voltage equivalent to outside source voltage to the controller

Lockout – intentionally preventing bleed or other functions of the system

Low Current – 4 mA signal

Menu Map – printed document supplied with controller illustrating all menu item locations

Metering Pump – see chemical feed pump

Micro Siemens – unit of measure of conductivity expressed as $\mu\text{S}/\text{CM}$

Outputs – receptacles or hook-ups for signals originated at the controller

Overfeed – a condition in which the quantity of an ingredient dispersed into the system exceeds the amount desired

Percent Post Bleed – refers to the amount of time as a percentage of bleed time that chemical feed pumps are activated when bleed down is deactivated

Percent Timer – also referred to as a cycle timer that runs continuously that activates an output to run as a percent of total cycle time

Pre Bleed – refers to the time bleed is executed before biocide feed

Program Parameters – the user programmed settings that determine how the controller responds to conditions of the system under control

Prompt – a cursor used to indicate the active menu line

Pulse – the action of a water meter that when equipped with a contact head, can generate a dry contact closure that can be read by the controller

Pulse Timer – a feature of the controller in which a timer accepts pulses from a water meter to actuate a chemical feed pump

Relay Indicators – lights (LED's) located on the face of the control panel that indicate the status of individual relays

Sample – to obtain a quantity of water for test purposes,

Sample Cock – see Sample Valve

Sample Line – a line through which a portion of the system water flows, where probes and other monitoring devices are located controlled with isolation valves

Sample Valve – small valve on the flow assembly that provides user a means to drain small quantities of water from the system for testing

Security Code – a code that can be entered by the user when configuring the system to secure access to the controller settings

Probe – a device connected to the controller which monitors or measures a characteristic value in the water, like the conductivity

Sensor – see Probe

Set point – the user determined value within a monitored range at which the controller initiates action (e.g., activates a relay)

Set point Differential – also referred to as dead band or hysteresis; the offset applied to a set point to prevent chattering of an output relay around a set point

Soft Keys – Buttons on front panel used to input information

Solenoid – an electromagnetically controlled switch

System Overfeed – usually a malfunction condition where a feed pump fails in the Run (ON) condition

System Parameters – see program parameters

TDS – abbreviation for Total Dissolved Solids, measured in terms of electrical conductivity ($\mu\text{S}/\text{CM}$)

Temperature Compensation – displays conductivity as if measured at 77°F (25°C)

Toroidal Conductivity – Non-contacting conductivity sensor used for high values

Totalizer – a re-settable function of the controller that keeps count of the number of water meter pulses

$\mu\text{S}/\text{CM}$ – conductivity unit of measure. Often referred to as micro Siemens

Y-Strainer – inline filter or screen to remove debris from system flow assembly

MOUNTING HOLE PATTERN (Footprint)

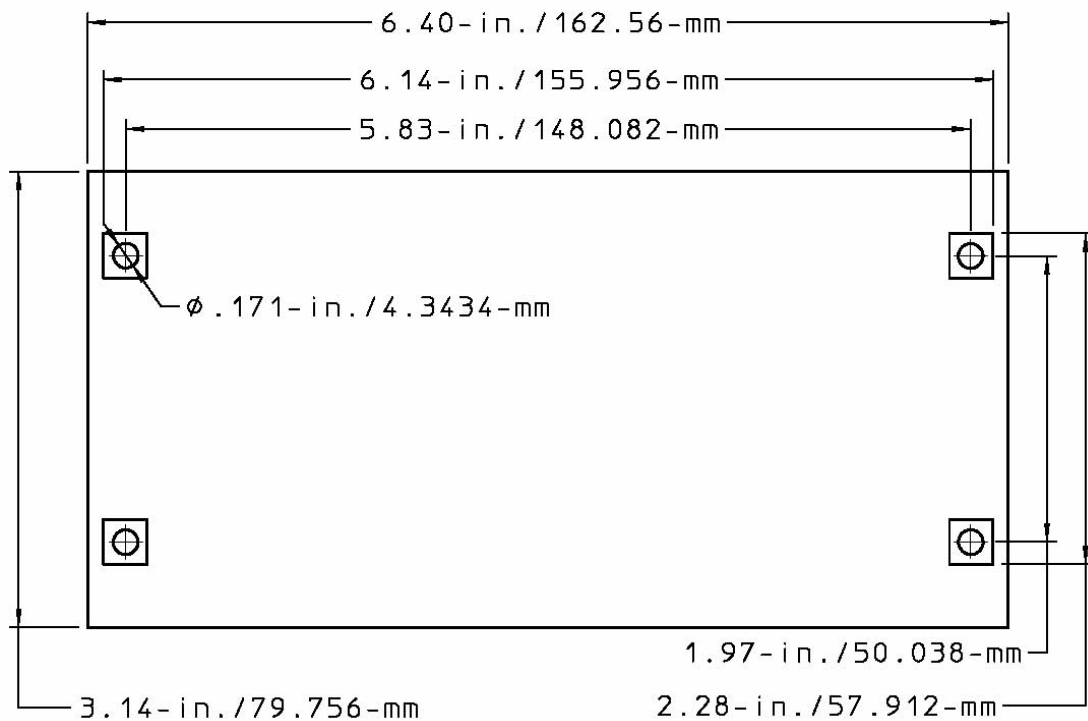


Fig. 9

Factory Service Policy

Your MICROVISION is a state of the art microprocessor based controller. If you are experiencing a problem with your process control instrument, first consult the troubleshooting guide in this manual. If the problem is not covered or cannot be solved, contact Technical Services for assistance.

Trained technicians are available to diagnose your problem and arrange a solution. Solutions may include purchase of replacement parts or returning the controller to the factory for inspection and repair. All returns require a Return Authorization number to be issued by Pulsafeeder. Parts purchased to correct a warranty issue may be credited after an examination of original parts by Pulsafeeder. Warranty parts returned as defective which test good will be sent back freight collect. No credit will be issued on any replacement electronic parts.

Any modifications or out-of-warranty repairs will be subject to bench fees and costs associated with replacement parts.

Warranty

Pulsafeeder, Inc. warrants control systems of its manufacture to be free of defects in material or workmanship. Liability under this policy extends for 24 months from date of shipment. Electrodes/probes are considered maintenance items and as such are warranted for six (6) months from the date of shipment of the controller. Electrodes/probes purchased as spare parts are warranted for 24 months from date of shipment. The manufacturer's liability is limited to repair or replacement of any failed equipment or part, which is proven defective in material or workmanship upon completion of the manufacturer's examination. This warranty does not include removal or installation costs and in no event shall the manufacturer's liability exceed the selling price of such equipment or part.

The manufacturer disclaims all liability for damage to its products through improper installation, maintenance, use, or attempts to operate such products beyond their functional capacity, intentionally or otherwise, or any unauthorized repair. The manufacturer is not responsible for consequential or other damages, injuries, or expense incurred through the use of its products.

The above warranty is in lieu of any other warranty, whether expressed or implied. The manufacturer makes no warranty of fitness or merchantability. No agent of ours is authorized to provide any warranty other than the above.

FCC Warning

This equipment generates and uses radio frequency energy. If not installed and used properly, in strict accordance with the manufacturer's instructions, it may cause interference to radio communications. Operation of this equipment in a residential area is likely to cause interference in which case the user, at his own expense, will be required to take whatever measures necessary to correct the interference.

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