

## LIPS<sup>®</sup> X120 350 BAR SUBMERSIBLE CYLINDER - LINEAR POSITION SENSOR

INTRINSICALLY SAFE FOR HAZARDOUS GAS/VAPOUR ATMOSPHERES

- Intrinsically safe for Gas to: Ex II 1G
- Non-contacting inductive technology to eliminate wear
- Travel set to customer's requirement
- High durability and reliability
- High accuracy and stability
- Sealing to IP68 50 Bar

As a leading designer and manufacturer of linear, rotary, tilt and intrinsically safe position sensors, Positek<sup>®</sup> has the expertise to supply a sensor to suit a wide variety of applications.

Our intrinsically safe X120 LIPS<sup>®</sup> (Linear Inductive Position Sensor) incorporates electronics system EX07 which is ATEX / IECEx approved for use in potentially explosive **gas/vapour** atmospheres. The X120 is designed for arduous underwater hydraulic or pneumatic cylinder position feedback applications where service life, environmental resistance and is ideal for OEMs seeking good sensor performance where hazardous surface conditions may exist.

Overall performance, repeatability and stability are outstanding over a wide temperature range. The unit is highly compact and space-efficient, being responsive along almost its entire length. Like all Positek<sup>®</sup> sensors, the X120 provides a linear output proportional to travel. Each unit is supplied with the output calibrated to the travel required by the customer, any stroke from 0-5mm to 0-800mm and with full EMC protection built in.

The sensor is very rugged, being made of stainless steel with an inert fluoropolymersheathed probe with a stainless steel target tube. The sensor is easy to install in cylinders and has a range of mechanical options. Environmental sealing is to IP68 350 Bar. The maximum system pressure is limited to 350 Bar (Water pressure plus hydraulic pressure).



### SPECIFICATION

Dimensions Body diameter Body Length (to seal face) Probe Length (from seal face Target Tube Length For full mechanical details see di Power Supply Output Signal Independent Linearity	calibrated travel + 30 mm rawing X120-11 +5V dc nom. $\pm$ 0.5V, 10mA typ 20mA max 0.5-4.5V dc ratiometric, Load: 5k $\Omega$ min. $\leq \pm$ 0.25% FSO @ 20°C - up to 450mm $\leq \pm$ 0.5% FSO @ 20°C - over 450mm $\leq \pm$ 0.1% FSO @ 20°C <sup>*</sup> available upon request.			
*Sensors with calibrated travel fron	n 10 mm up to 400 mm.			
Temperature Coefficients	< ± 0.01%/°C Gain & < ± 0.01%FS/°C Offset			
Frequency response Resolution Noise Intrinsic Safety	> 10 kHz (-3dB) Infinite < 0.02% FSO Ex II 1G Ex ia IIC T4 Ga (Ta= -40°C to 80°C)			
Approval only applies to the specified ambient temperature range and atmospheric conditions in the range 0.80 to 1.10 Bar, oxygen $\leq 21\%$				
Sensor Input Parameters	Ui: 11.4V, Ii: 0.20A, Pi: 0.51W.			
(without cable)	Ci: 1.16µF, Li: 50µH			
(with cable)	Ci: 1.36µF, Li: 860µH with 1km max. cable			
Environmental Temperatur				
Operating	-4°C to +50°C			
Storage	-4°C to +50°C			
Sealing	IP68 350 Bar Limit of 350 Bar for water pressure 350Bar Absolute + hydraulic pressure			
Hydraulic Pressure EMC Performance	350Bar Absolute + hydraulic pressure EN 61000-6-2,			
Ewic Performance	EN 61000-6-3			
Vibration	IEC 68-2-6: 10 g			
Shock	IEC 68-2-29: 40 g			
MTBF	350,000 hrs 40°C Gf			
Drawing List				
X120-11	Sensor Outline			
P100-12	Typical Target Installation details			
P100-15	Mounting Thread details			
TG24-11	Optional Target Tube Flange details			
Drawings, in AutoCAD <sup>®</sup> dwg or dxf format, available on request.				

Do you need a position sensor made to order to suit a particular installation requirement or specification? We'll be happy to modify any of our designs to suit your needs - please contact us with your requirements.



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## INTRINSICALLY SAFE FOR HAZARDOUS GAS/VAPOUR ATMOSPHERES

Intrinsically safe equipment is defined as "equipment which is incapable of releasing sufficient electrical or thermal energy under normal or abnormal conditions to cause ignition of a specific hazardous atmosphere mixture in its most easily ignited concentration."

ATEX / IECEx approved to;

Ex II 1G

Ex ia IIC T4 Ga (Ta =  $-40^{\circ}$ C to  $+80^{\circ}$ C)

Designates the sensor as belonging to; Group II: suitable for all areas **except mining**, Category 1 G: can be used in areas with continuous, long or frequent periods of exposure to hazardous gas (Zone 0).

Protection class ia, denotes intrinsically safe for all zones Apparatus group IIC: suitable for IIA to IIC explosive gas. Temperature class T4: maximum surface temperature under fault conditions 135°C.

Ambient temperature range extended to -40°C to +80°C.

It is imperative Positek<sup>®</sup> intrinsically safe sensors be used in conjunction with a galvanic barrier to meet the requirements of the product certification. The Positek X005 Galvanic Isolation Amplifier is purpose made for Positek IS sensors making it the perfect choice. Refer to the X005 datasheet for product specification and output configuration options.

#### Safety Parameters:-

Ui: 11.4V, Ii: 0.2	OA, Pi: 0.51W
Ci = 1.36µF*	Li = 860µH* (with cable)
$Ci = 1.16\mu F$	$Li = 50\mu H$ (without cable)

\*Figures for 1km cable where: Ci = 200pF/m & Li = 810nH/m

Sensors can be installed with a maximum of 1000m of cable. Cable characteristics must not exceed:-

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Capacitance:	≤ 200 pF/m	for max. total of:	200 nF.	
Inductance:	≤ 810 nH/m	for max. total of:	810 µH	

For cable lengths exceeding 10 metres a five wire connection is recommended to eliminate errors introduced by cable resistance and associated temperature coefficients.

## TABLE OF OPTIONS

CALIBRATED TRAVEL: Factory set to any length from 0-5mm to 0-800mm (e.g. 254mm)

### ELECTRICAL INTERFACE OPTIONS

The Positek<sup>®</sup> **X005** Galvanic Isolation Amplifier is available with the following output options; Standard: 0.5 - 9.5V or 4 - 20mA.

Reverse: 9.5 - 0.5V or 20 - 4mA.

CONNECTOR Wet mate 4 pin MC BH-4-M (axial or radial) Supplied with a connector and 0.5 m, 4x0.5mm<sup>2</sup> cable assembly as standard.

Mating connector with longer lengths available.

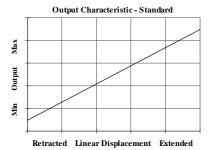
We recommend all customers refer to the 3 or 5-Wire Mode Connection page.

#### MOUNTING THREAD OPTIONS

M18 or  $\frac{3}{4}$  UNF 30 mm hex A/F, Ø30 mm seal face. Supplied with O-ring seal.

### FLANGE OPTIONS

Penny & Giles HLP100, Temposonics (M4 fixing) and Parker Hannifin cylinders versions available.





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## Three or Five-Wire Mode Connection

FOR INTRINSICALLY SAFE SENSORS IN HAZARDOUS ATMOSPHERES

The aim of this document is to help readers who do not understand what is meant by three or five wire modes of connection between the galvanic isolation amplifier and sensor, and the factors behind them. It is by no means an in-depth technical analysis of the subject.

Interconnecting cables are not perfect conductors and offer resistance to current flow, the magnitude of resistance<sup>†</sup> depends on conductors resistivity, which changes with temperature, cross sectional area<sup>‡</sup> and length. If the voltage were to be measured at both ends of a length of wire it would be found they are different, this is known as volts drop. Volts drop changes with current flow and can be calculated using Ohm's law, it should be noted that volts drop occurs in both positive and negative conductors. The effects of volts drop can be reduced by increasing the conductors cross sectional area, this does not however eliminate the effects due to temperature variation. There are situations where large cross-section cables are not practical; for example copper prices and ease of installation.

This is important because the effects of volts drop can significantly alter the perceived accuracy of the sensor which is ratiometric i.e. the output signal is directly affected by the voltage across the sensor. Changes in temperature will also be seen as gain variation in the sensor output.

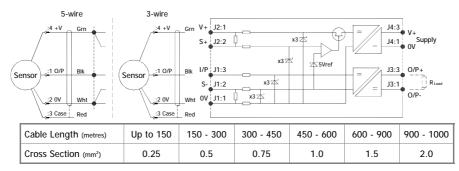
Three wire mode connections are common and are suitable in most cases with short or moderate cable runs. Applications that do not require a high degree of accuracy but have cable runs, say in excess of 20m, volts drop can reduced by introducing a terminal box close to the sensor and using a larger cross-section cable for a majority of the cable run. Sensors are supplied calibrated via a wet mate connector and cable assembly which largely eliminates errors due to conductor resistance at room temperature however, as mentioned above, small gain errors due to temperature fluctuations should be expected.

Five wire mode connections have significant benefits as losses in the positive and negative conductors are compensated for by the galvanic isolation amplifier which can 'sense' the voltage across the sensor and dynamically adjust the output voltage so that the voltage across the sensor is correct. The effects of cable resistance and associated temperature coefficients are eliminated allowing for smaller conductors than a three wire connection for the same cable run. The amplifier can compensate for up to  $15\Omega$  per conductor with a current flow of 15mA, which is more than adequate for 300m of 0.5 mm<sup>2</sup> cable, longer lengths will require larger conductors.

For this reason Positek<sup>®</sup> recommends five wire connections for cable lengths exceeding 20 metres in 0.5 mm<sup>2</sup> cable to preserve the full accuracy of the sensor.

Positek® submersible sensors are supplied with a wet mate connector and four core 0.5 mm<sup>2</sup> cable assembly as standard.

See illustrations below for examples of connecting a sensor to the galvanic isolation amplifier.



The table above shows recommended conductor sizes with respect to cable length for both three and five wire connections, based on copper conductors. Three wire connections will introduce a gain reduction of 5% and a  $\pm$ 1% temperature dependence of gain over the range -40°C to +80°C for the cable temperature. (i.e. about –150 ppm/°C for the maximum lengths shown and less pro rata for shorter lengths.)

It should be noted that the maximum cable length, as specified in the sensor certification, takes precedence and must not be exceeded.

The galvanic isolation amplifier is available as;

G005-\*\*\* for 'G' prefix sensors X005-\*\*\* for 'X' prefix sensors

<sup>†</sup>  $R = \rho L/A \rho$  is the resistivity of the conductor ( $\Omega$ m) L is the length of conductor (m) A is the conductor cross-sectional area (m<sup>2</sup>).

<sup>‡</sup>It is presumed that direct current flow is uniform across the cross-section of the wire, the galvanic isolation amplifier and sensor are a dc system.



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