

TP488-RT

8 Input Temperature RTD Scanning Monitor Operation and Instruction Manual

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1 Introduction

This manual contains information for the installation and operation of the TP488-RT eight input scanning monitor. The TP488-RT can accept up to eight temperature inputs. Eight independently programmable relay outputs provide alarm or control for each input. The relays may be operated under two modes, normal and select mode. The two modes allow the relays to either be allocated to their corresponding input channel (normal mode) or allow any one or more channel to operate the relay (select mode). The TP488 monitors are designed for applications where good visibility is important. Large high intensity 20mm red LED's provide a wide viewing angle and distance for the display. The display has been designed to be wall mounted and may be panel mounted if required. Each input may be independently calibrated/scaled to display temperature from Pt100 (100 Ω RTDs), Pt1000 (1000 Ω RTDs) Ni250 (250 Ω RTDs), LM335 (semiconductor temperature transducers) or 10 Ω copper RTD. An additional digit indicates the currently displayed channel number. Large front panel pushbutton keypads are used to configure the operation of the instrument. Easy to follow "on display" messages assist in setting up of the instrument functions. Programmable functions include relay setpoint (high and or low), relay hysteresis, relay trip delay, relay NO or NC, digital filter, scanning rate and calibration.

Standard Features:

1. Inputs from Pt100, Pt1000, Ni250, LM335 temperature sensors or 10 Ω copper RTD.
2. 4 + 1 Digit 20mm high intensity LED Display.
3. Pushbutton programming and calibration.
4. Eight Relay outputs with flexible operation modes.
5. Programmable beeper for each alarm.
6. Individual calibration for each input.
7. $^{\circ}$ C or $^{\circ}$ F selection.
8. Programmable decimal point.
9. Weatherproof IP65 Enclosure.
10. Alarm/relay annunciator LEDs.
11. Programmable Digital Filter.
12. Leading Zero Blanking.
13. Programmable scan rate or may be locked to one input.
14. Alarm annunciator LED's.
15. On board expansion connections for optional outputs & optional datalogger.

Description

The instrument accepts inputs from up to eight temperature sensors. The required number of inputs is entered into the set up programme - to limit the cycling display range. For example if the instrument is required to measure only 6 inputs the display will cycle from 1 to 6, input 7 and 8 will not be displayed. Note: in applications where some inputs are unused the relays normally applied to the unused inputs are automatically assigned to the last input. i.e.; in the example described above, input 6 now has 3 programmable relay outputs.

Technical Description

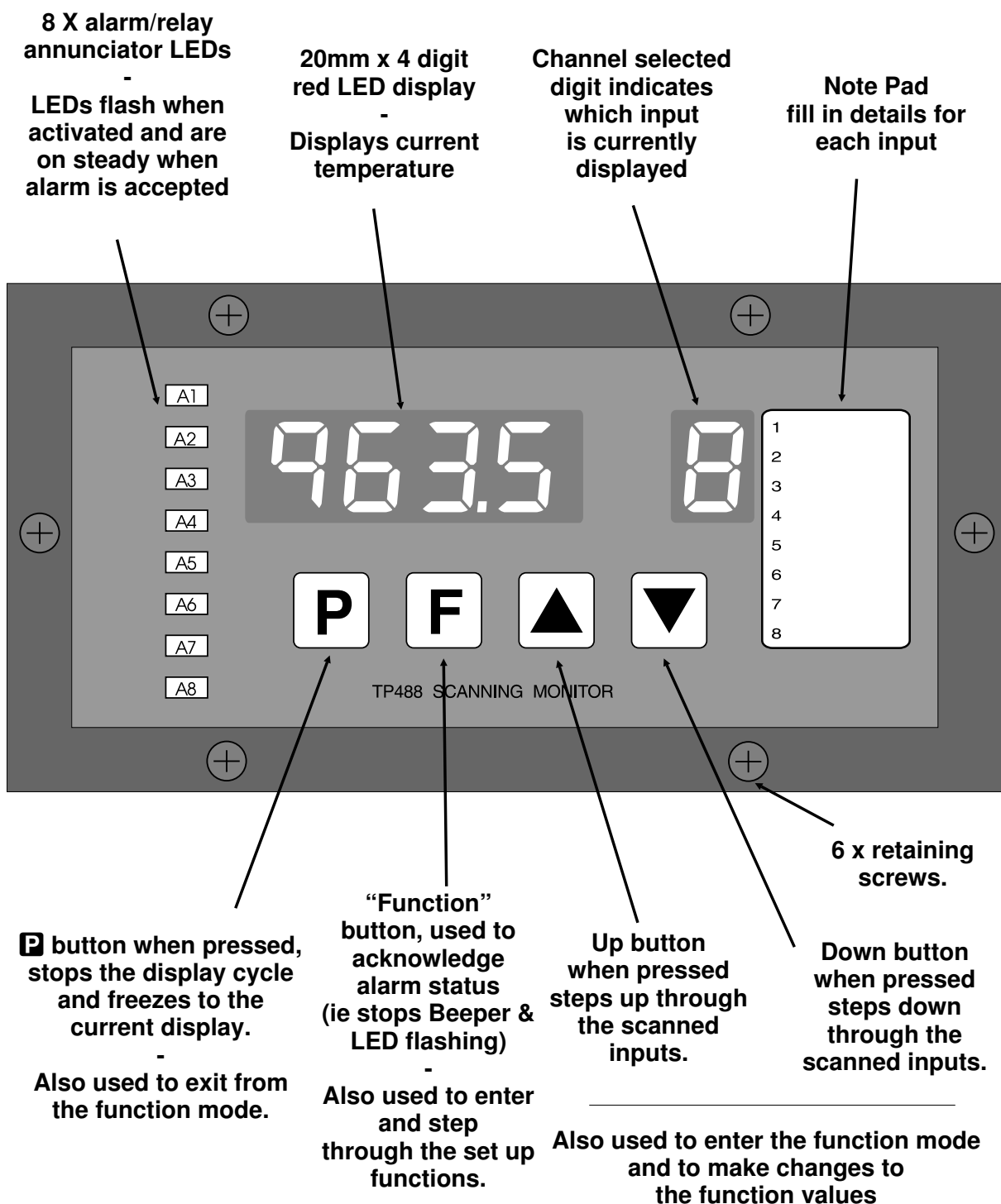
The instrument consists of 2 printed circuit boards (PCBs), comprising the main PCB and the display PCB.

The main PCB contains the terminal connectors, signal conditioning, relay outputs, power supply, a high performance 4.5 digit A/D converter and a single chip microprocessor. The full scale display resolution is 9999 to -1999 (dependent on sensor temperature range). The main PCB is securely mounted within the enclosure on rigid mounting pillars.

The display board contains the pushbutton switches, display driver electronics and the seven segment LED displays. The display board is securely mounted to the rear of the instrument faceplate.

Unless otherwise specified at the time of your order, your TP488 has been factory set to a standard configuration. Like all other TP4 and PM4 series instruments the configuration and calibration is easily changed by the user. Initial changes may require dismantling the instrument to alter PCB links, other changes are made by pushbutton functions.

2 Front Panel Description

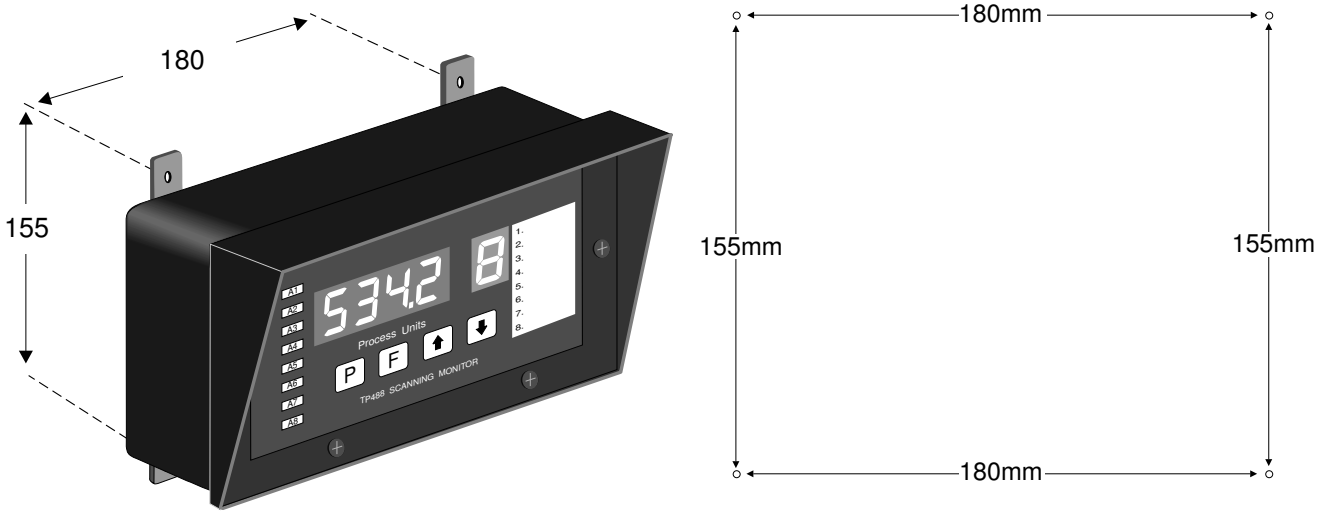


TO ENTER SETUP MODE

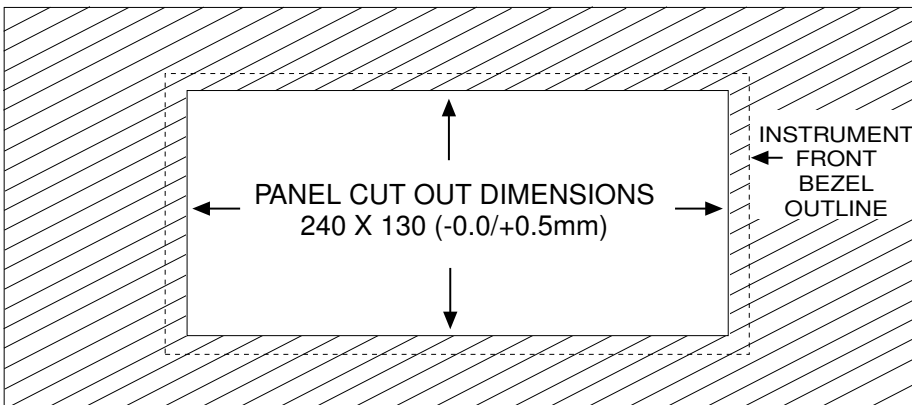
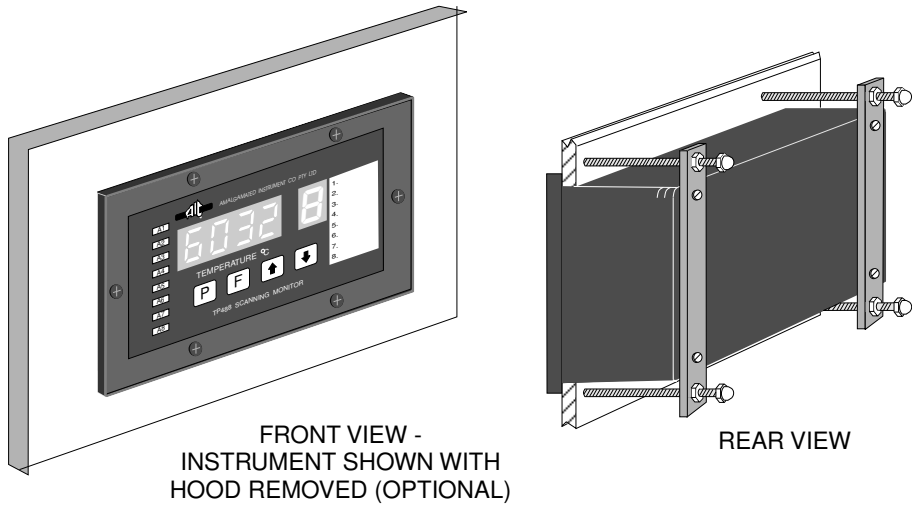
First select the input you wish to make changes to (using the up or down button), then press the **P** button and then (within 2 seconds) press both the up and down buttons simultaneously.
(see also calibration for entering special calibration mode)

3 Mechanical Installation

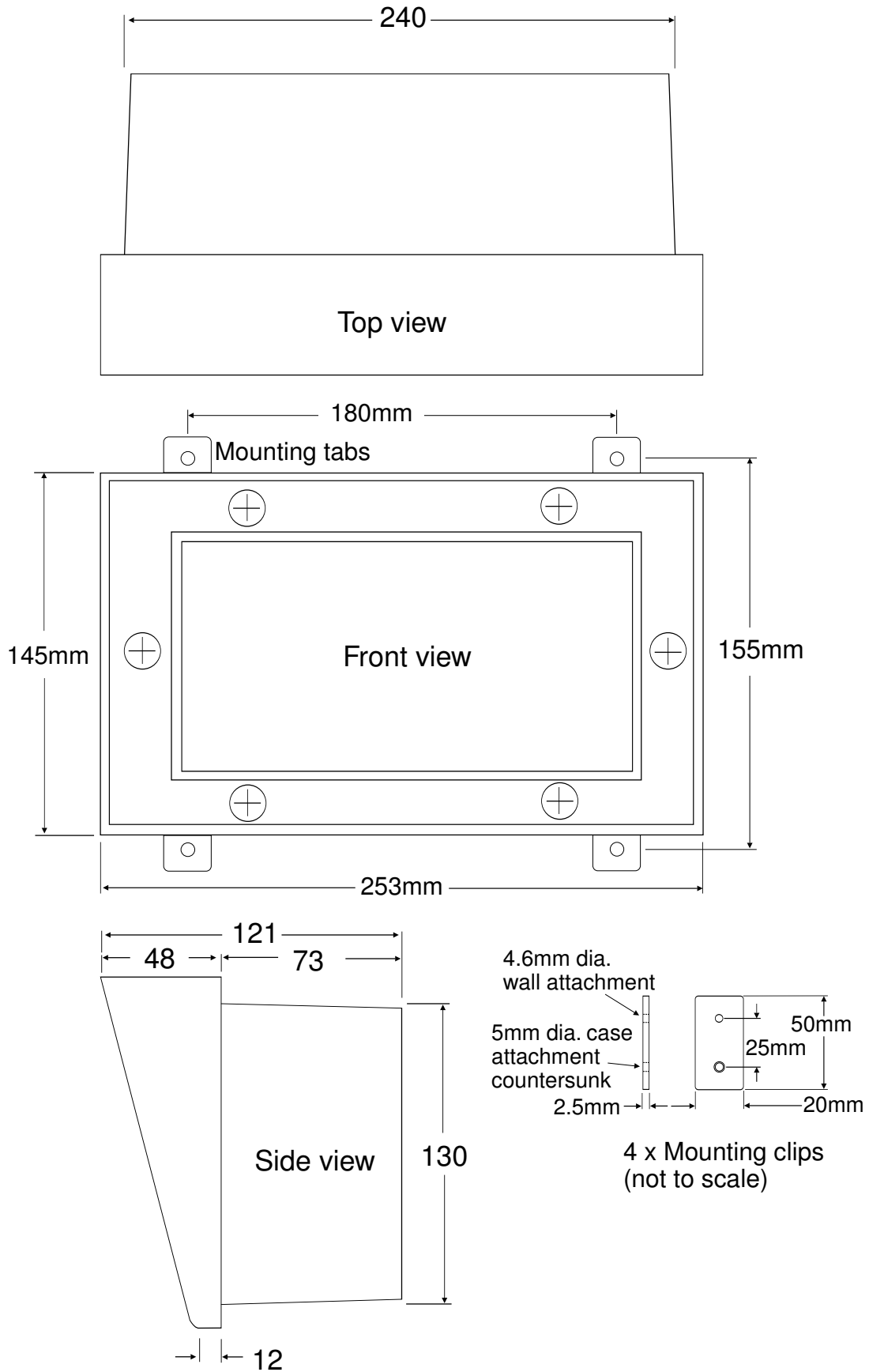
The instrument is designed to be wall mounted or panel mounted using the optional panel mount kit. For wall mounting carefully measure and drill 4 x mounting holes (max 5mm) as shown below.



Cut out details for the optional panel mount kit are shown below.



4 Mechanical Dimensions

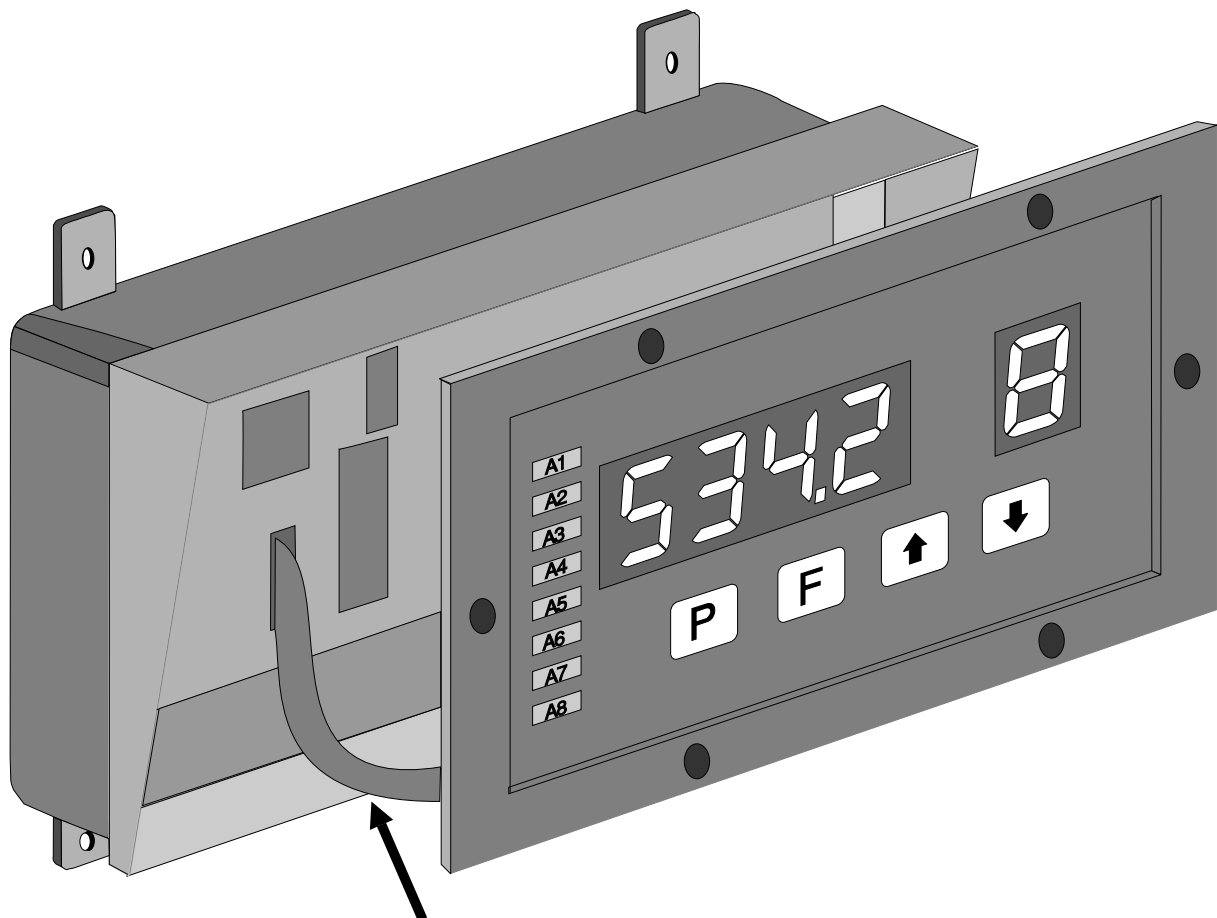


5 Electrical Installation

The TP488 series displays are designed for continuous operation and therefore no mains/power switch is fitted to the unit. It is recommended that an external switch and fuse be provided to allow the unit to be removed for servicing.

To install cables remove six (6) front panel retaining screws. Remove front panel taking care not to damage the ribbon cable (ribbon cable joins the front display circuit board to the main circuit board). Connect power and input cables to the plug in terminal blocks located within the enclosure. The terminals are clearly labelled and unplug for ease of installation, please take care to connect them correctly. The terminal blocks allow for wires of up to 2.5mm² to be fitted.

When power is applied the instrument will cycle through a display sequence, indicating the software version and other status information, this indicates that the instrument is functioning. This manual also contains details for setting up and calibrating the instrument.

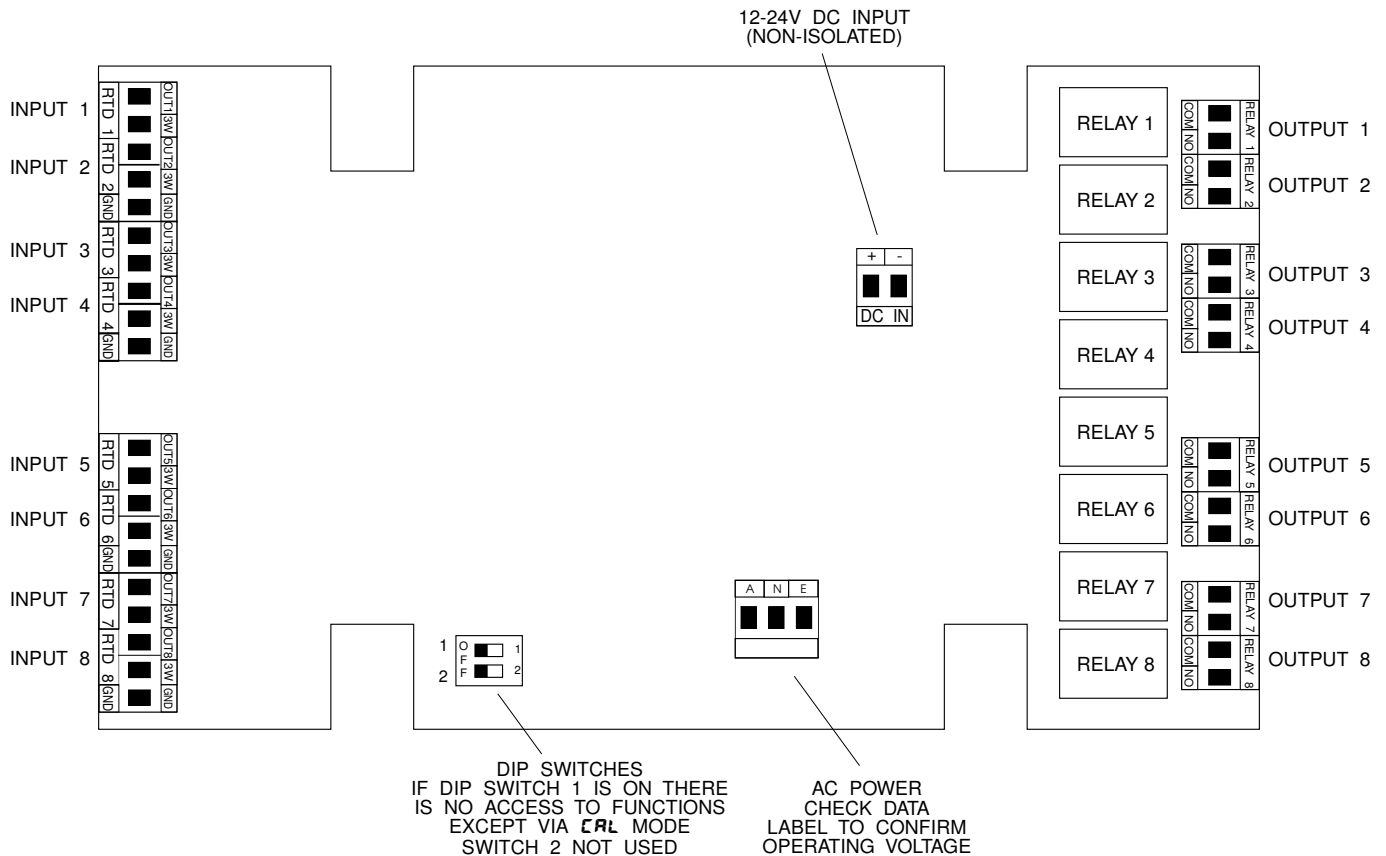


Take care not to damage ribbon cable.
Cable may be unplugged to separate front panel during installation.

5.1 Printed Circuit Board Layout:

The circuit board layout shown below shows the location of the plug-in terminal connectors. Relay contacts are voltage free, form A type, i.e. 2 contact normally open. For input configuration and connections see “Temperature probe connections” chapter.

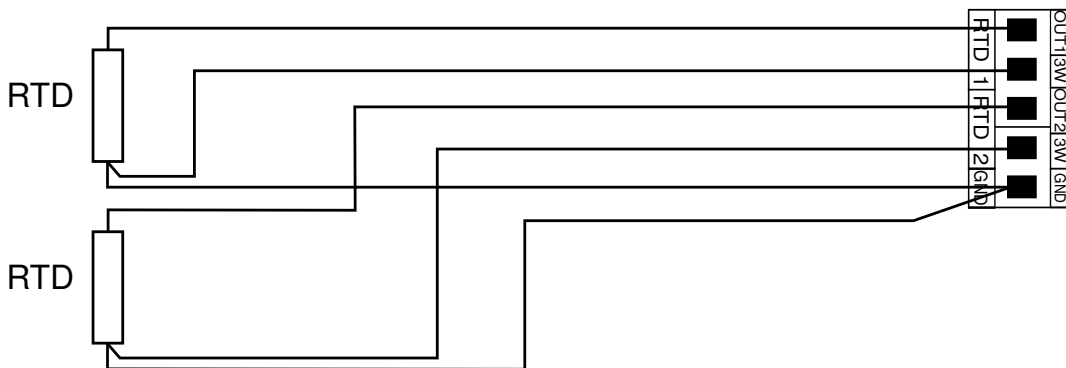
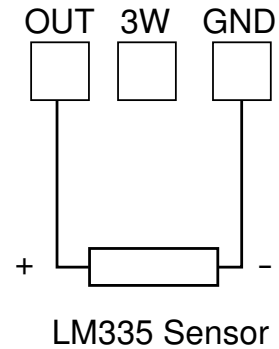
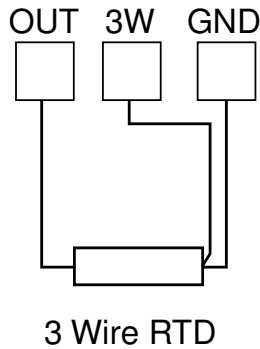
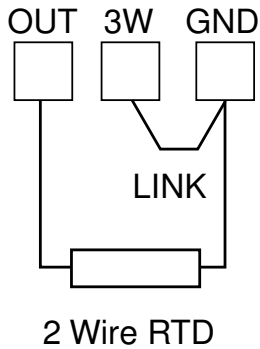
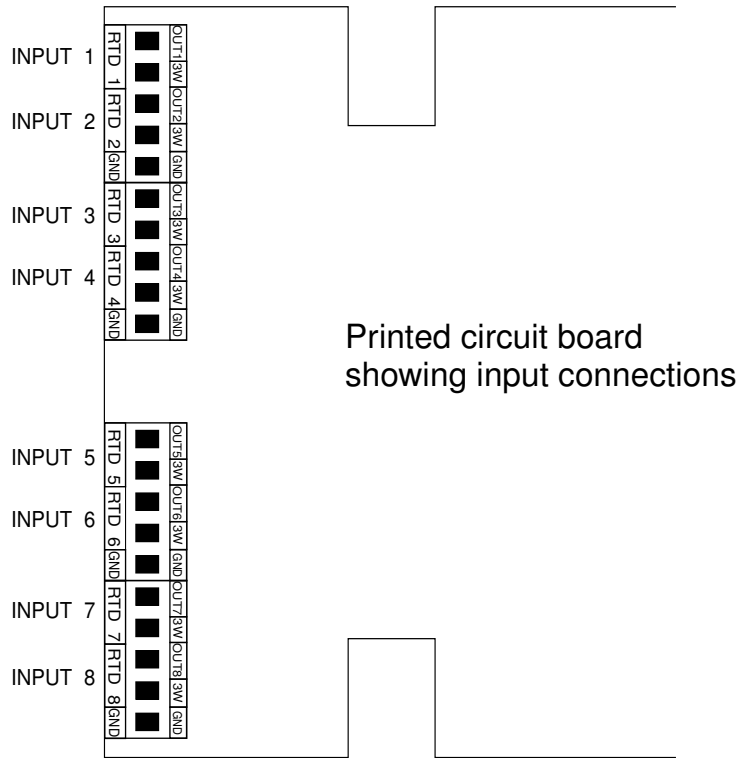
Placing DIP switch 1 the “ON” position will remove access via **FUNC** mode to the set up and calibration functions, thus providing security for the existing settings. To gain access to these functions again place DIP switch 1 in the “OFF” position. Irrespective of switch 1 position access to all functions can still be made if the instrument is powered up in **CAL** mode.



6 Temperature probe connections

The TP488-RT is designed to accept combinations of probe types 100Ω RTD, 1000Ω RTD, 250Ω RTD, LM335 and 10Ω copper RTD temperature sensors. Enter the function calibrate mode to select the probe type for each input.

Connect each probe as shown below:



Example: 3 wire RTD's connected to inputs 1 & 2
 Note: inputs share a common ground



7 Alarm Relays

The TP488 is provided with 8 alarm/setpoint relays, each is rated at 5A, 240VAC into a resistive load. The alarms operate in three basic modes, namely "single" (**SNGL**) mode and "select" (**SLCT** or **SEL.A**) modes. In single mode each relay is assigned to its corresponding channel i.e. relay 1 is assigned to input 1, relay 2 to input 2 etc. In select mode **SLCT** relays may be assigned to any channel, in **SEL.A** mode the channel itself is allocated the setpoint and then the relay is allocated to the channel.

Each relay has the following parameters which may be set by the user:

1. Low setpoint, adjustable in measurement units.
2. High setpoint, adjustable in measurement units.
3. Relay hysteresis, adjustable in measurement units.
4. Relay trip time, adjustable in seconds.
5. Relay reset time, adjustable in seconds.
6. Relay action N/O or N/C.
7. Setpoint relay mode, auto or latching - with or without beeper.
8. Allocate alarm to input channel, allows channels in use to be allocated to any alarm relay when in select mode operation.
9. Alarm mode selection, allows selection of single or select (multi) mode operation.
10. Alarm override via **FLY** function.

Notes:

* The required relay must be selected using the  or  buttons, prior to making changes to the relay functions. In **SNGL** & **SLCT** modes the right hand display digit which normally shows the channel number actually represents the relay number for alarm setup purposes e.g. if **ALLo 2** is seen on the display then the low alarm setpoint for relay 2 is being viewed. In **SEL.A** mode the same display of **2** would mean that the low alarm setpoint for channel 2 is being viewed.

* In applications where less than eight channels are used, the unused relays are assigned to the highest channel if in **SNGL** mode.

* The  button is used as an alarm reset (see **FLY** function) or alarm acknowledge button.


* When alarm selection is in **SLCT** or **SEL.A** mode the decimal point places must be the same for each channel, the decimal points for each channel will automatically be made the same when "select" alarm mode **SLCT** or **SEL.A** is used.


* In **SNGL** and **SLCT** alarm modes the alarm annunciator LEDs on the front panel indicate which alarm relay is activated, not which channel caused the activation. In **SEL.A** mode the annunciator indicates which channel has caused the alarm relay operation.

The setpoint relays operate in the following way:

If the measured value is above the High Setpoint, or below the Low Setpoint, the alarm trip timer starts. This timer is reset if the measured value drops below the High Setpoint or above the Low Setpoint. When the alarm trip timer's time exceeds the Trip delay time, the alarm is operated. The Alarm LED flashes, the setpoint relay is activated, and optionally the beeper sounds.

When the alarm has tripped, the measured value is compared to the High Setpoint less the Hysteresis value and the Low Setpoint plus the Hysteresis value. If it is less than the High Setpoint less the Hysteresis value and greater than the Low Setpoint plus the Hysteresis value, the setpoint relay timer is started. This timer is reset if the displayed value exceeds the High Setpoint less the Hysteresis value or drops below the Low setpoint plus the Hysteresis value. When the alarm reset timer's time exceeds the Reset Delay Time the relay is de-activated.

If the setpoint is in automatic mode the LED is extinguished and the relay returns to its position, and the Beeper is silenced. If the setpoint is latched mode, press the  button to reset the alarm.

By pressing the  button the alarm is acknowledged. This silences the beeper, the LED stops flashing and becomes a solid light. When the input is not in the alarm range the LED extinguishes. See also the **FLY** function which allows the alarm to be reset even when the input which caused it is in alarm condition.

The alarm programmable functions operate as follows:

Alarm Low Setpoint (RLLo)

The low setpoint may be programmed to operate the alarm relay when the measured value falls below the set value. If the low setpoint is not required, it may be set to **OFF** in the setup mode (press **▲** and **▼** simultaneously to set the alarm to **OFF**). The instrument is configurable for each relay to have a low and a high setpoint, so the relay may be triggered if the reading deviates outside of the setpoint limits.

Alarm High Setpoint (RLHi)

The high setpoint may be programmed to operate the alarm relay when the measured value exceeds the set value. If the high setpoint is not required, it may be set to **OFF** in the setup mode (press **▲** and **▼** simultaneously to set the alarm to **OFF**).

Alarm Hysteresis (RLHY)

The hysteresis value is used to prevent too frequent operation of the alarm relay when the measured value stays close to the setpoint.

The hysteresis value is common to the high and low relay action for each alarm. Without a hysteresis setting (hysteresis value set to zero) the alarm will activate when the display value goes above the alarm setpoint (for high alarm) and will reset when the display value falls below the setpoint, this can result in repeated on/off switching of the relay at around the setpoint value. The hysteresis setting operates as follows:

In the high alarm mode, once the alarm is activated the input must fall below the setpoint value minus the hysteresis value to reset the alarm.

e.g. if alarm high value is set to **50.0** and the hysteresis is set to **3.0** then the setpoint output relay will activate once the display value goes above **50.0** and will reset when the display value goes below **47.0** (50.0 minus 3.0).

In the low alarm mode, once the alarm is activated the input must rise above the setpoint value plus the hysteresis value to reset the alarm.

e.g. if alarm low value is set to **20.0** and the hysteresis is set to **10.0** then the alarm output relay will activate when the display value falls below **20.0** and will reset when the display value goes above **30.0** (20.0 plus 10.0).

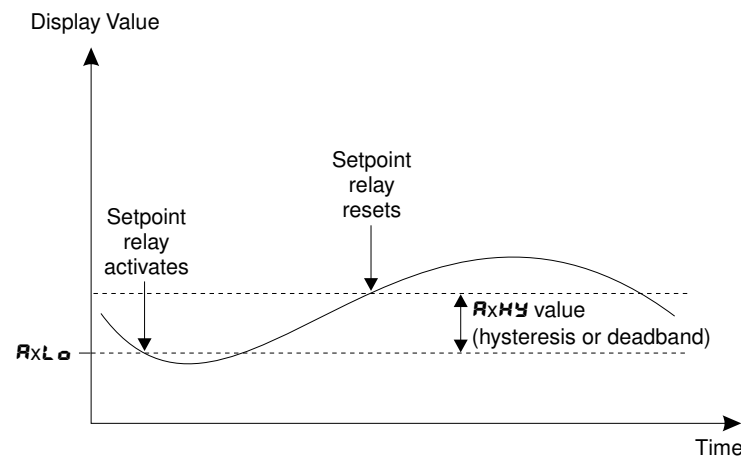
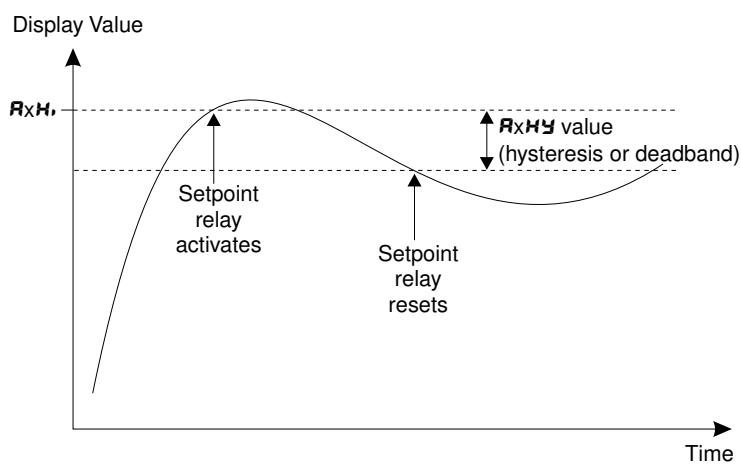
The hysteresis units are expressed in displayed engineering units.

Alarm Trip Time (RLtT)

The alarm trip time determines how long the measured value has to be above the high trip point or below the low trip point before an alarm is given. This can be used to prevent false alarms on noisy inputs. The value is set in seconds, with a range of 0 - 9999 seconds.

Alarm Reset Time (RLrT)

The alarm reset time determines how long the measured value has to be below the high trip point and above the low trip point before the alarm is reset. This value is set in seconds, with a range of 0 - 9999 seconds. For operation a reset delay of zero is suitable.



Alarm Relay N/O or N/C Operation (*RL n.o/n.c*)

Each alarm may be programmed to operate as a normally open (N/O) or normally closed (N/C) device. A N/O relay is de-energised when no alarm condition is present and is energised when an alarm condition is present. A N/C relay is normally energised and is de-energised when an alarm condition is present. The N/C mode is useful for power failure detection.

Setpoint Relay Mode

The alarm relays have four modes of operation:

RLnb: Automatic reset, no beeper.

LLnb: Latched alarm, manual reset, no beeper.

RLbP: Automatic reset, beeper.

LLbP: Latched alarm, manual reset, beeper.

Automatic Reset, with Beeper:

When automatic mode is selected, the relay will automatically reset when the measured input falls within the alarm threshold limits as described above. The beeper is silenced and the LED stops flashing.

If the **F** button is pressed before the measured input falls within the alarm threshold limits, the beeper will be silenced, and the LED will stop flashing, and become constantly illuminated.

Automatic Reset, no Beeper:

This mode is the same as above, except the beeper is not activated. This mode is ideal for control applications.

Latched Alarm, Manual Reset, with beeper:

When latched mode is selected the alarm is latched until the **F** button is pressed.

If the **F** button is pressed before the measured input has returned to values, the LED stops flashing, staying on steadily, the beeper is silenced. When the measured input has returned to the LED is extinguished and resets the relay.

If the measure input has returned to level before the alarm is reset, pressing the alarm reset button immediately extinguished the LED, silences the beeper and resets the relay.

Latched Reset, no Beeper:

This mode is the same as above, except the beeper is not activated.

Relay reset (*F.FLY*)

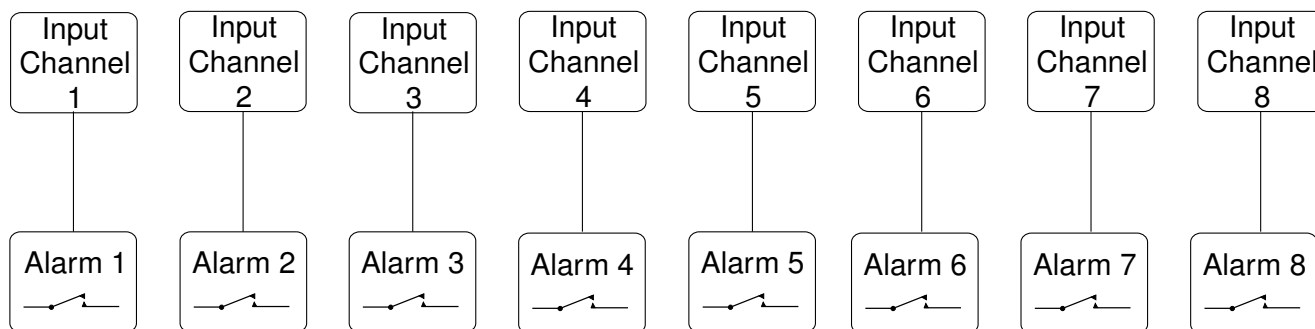
When setup to operate in this mode any relay which is activated can be de-activated, i.e. the alarm condition overridden, simply by pressing the **F** button. The front panel annunciator LED will indicate which channel (not necessarily the relay number) which has caused the relay activation. Prior to being reset the annunciator LED for the channel which caused the relay activation will flash, when reset then annunciator LED will extinguish even if this channel is still in an alarm condition.

To allow operation in this mode the *F.FLY* function must be set to **on** for the relays required. Any relays with *F.FLY* set to **OFF** cannot be reset via the **F** button. If the **F** button is pressed to acknowledge an alarm condition on a relay with *F.FLY* set to **OFF** then the annunciator LED for that relay will change from a flashing LED to a solidly lit LED. The LED will remain lit whilst an alarm condition exists for that relay.

Alarm Relay Operating Modes (A.L.Y.P)

Single Mode

In single mode each alarm relay is activated by the input at its corresponding channel, thus alarm relay 1 is assigned to input channel 1 etc. To choose single mode select **SNG** at the **A.L.Y.P** function. The **A.L.Y.P** function is accessible only when the functions are entered via **CR** mode. To set up the alarm setpoints and other functions simply select the required relay (selected at the channel number display) and step to the required function using the **F** button, then alter the alarm setting required using the **▲** or **▼** button. Press the **F** button to accept the changes.



Select Mode

When select mode is used any relay may be allocated to any one or number of input channels. To choose select mode choose **SLE** or **SEL.A** at the **A.L.Y.P** function. In **SLE** mode the alarm setpoint is assigned to the **relay** selected, in **SEL.A** mode the alarm setpoint is assigned to the **channel** selected.

For **SLE** mode set up the alarm functions as you would for single mode but this time when a channel is selected the channel number refers to the alarm number as far as the alarm functions are concerned. For example if channel 3 is selected when function mode is entered and **AL.H.** is set to 50 then relay 3 will activate whenever any input channel allocated to relay 3 (via the **AL.CH** function) goes to 100 or above. In **SLE** mode the alarm annunciators will show which **relays** have been activated.

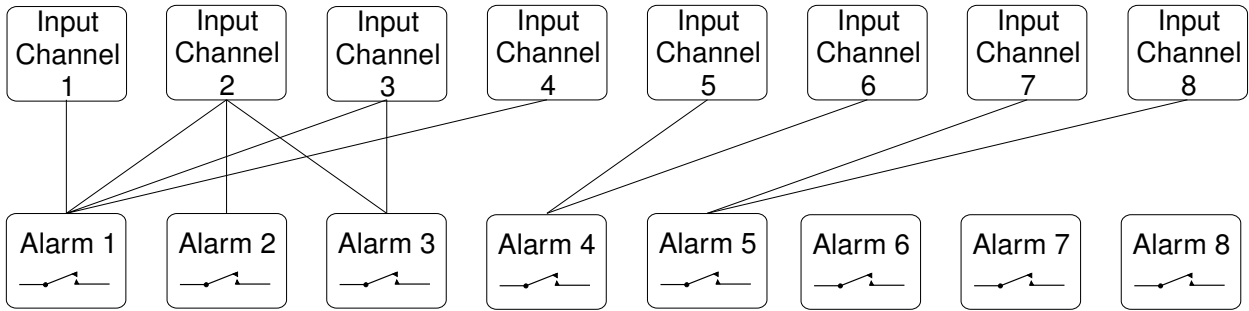
In **SEL.A** mode the user can program setpoint values for **input channels** rather than relays. e.g. if the display is showing channel 2 then any high or low setpoint made whilst channel 2 is displayed will apply to channel 2 rather than relay 2. This mode allows more than one setpoint to operate a single relay. For example if channel 1 is selected and **AL.H.** is set to 100 then the relays allocated to channel 1 via the **AL.CH** function will all activate when channel 1 has an input which would cause a display of 100 or above. In **SEL.A** mode the alarm annunciator LEDs show which **channel** has caused the alarm condition. Example - if **AL.CH** function for channel 3 is set to **A 1 Y** and **A 3 Y** with all other channels set to **N** then relays 1 and 3 will activate if the input on channel 3 is outside the alarm setting for that channel.

Note: If more than one input channel is assigned to a relay then the decimal point positions must be the same for each of those channels. The TP488 will automatically assign the same decimal point position to each channel. Any further changes to one channel will automatically cause a change to the other channels allocated to the same relay.

When the alarm setpoints etc. for the chosen alarm have been set continue through the functions by pressing and releasing **F** until the **AL.CH** (allocate relay to input channel) function is reached.

The AL.CH function

The **AL.CH** function is only seen when in either **SLE** or **SEL.A** select mode. This function allows the grouping of inputs to alarm relays. When you reach this function you will already have selected a channel, the LED digit in the right hand window indicates the relay (or channel number in **SEL.A** mode) selected. Each of the channels will flash (use **▲** or **▼** to change channels) with the option to allocate this channel to the relay. For example in **SLE** mode if the digit in the right hand window indicates **3** then the **AL.CH** function will allow the user to allocate any one or a number of channels to relay 3. The first channel will show up as **C 1 Y** or **C 1 N** (channel 1 yes or no), use the **P** button to toggle between yes and no. If **C 1 Y** is selected then relay 3 will operate from channel 1 input. If **C 1 N** is chosen then relay 3 will ignore any inputs on channel 1. Step through each channel and select either yes or no. If a relay is not used it is advisable to select **OFF** for the alarm high and low settings or select "no" for each input channel, this will prevent annoying operation of the relay and its alarm light/buzzer.



To illustrate select mode operation the table below shows the **ALCH** selection to obtain the connections shown in the diagram above.

	Alarm Relay Number							
	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8
Channel 1	C1Y	C1N	C1N	C1N	C1N	C1N	C1N	C1N
Channel 2	C2Y	C2Y	C2Y	C2N	C2N	C2N	C2N	C2N
Channel 3	C3Y	C3N	C3Y	C3N	C3N	C3N	C3N	C3N
Channel 4	C4Y	C4N	C4N	C4N	C4N	C4N	C4N	C4N
Channel 5	C5N	C5N	C5N	C5Y	C5N	C5N	C5N	C5N
Channel 6	C6N	C6N	C6N	C6Y	C6N	C6N	C6N	C6N
Channel 7	C7N	C7N	C7N	C7N	C7Y	C7N	C7N	C7N
Channel 8	C8N	C8N	C8N	C8N	C8Y	C8N	C8N	C8N

If **SLCT** mode were used then the setpoints are assigned to the relays, not the input channels. e.g. if **ALH** is set for relays 1, 2, 3, 4 & 5 then for the table above:

- Relay 1 will activate if channel 1, 2, 3 or 4 go above the relay 1 setpoint.
- Relay 2 will activate if channel 2 goes above the relay 2 setpoint.
- Relay 3 will activate if channel 2 or 3 go above the relay 3 setpoint.
- Relay 4 will activate if channel 5 or 6 go above the relay 4 setpoint.
- Relay 5 will activate if channel 7 or 8 go above the relay 5 setpoint.

If **SEL.A** mode were used then individual setpoints can be assigned to each input channel e.g. if **ALH** is set for channels 1 to 8 then for the table above:

- Relay 1 will activate if channel 1, 2, 3 or 4 goes above its setpoint.
- Relay 2 will activate if channel 2 goes above its setpoint.
- Relay 3 will activate if channel 2 or 3 goes above its setpoint.
- Relay 4 will activate if channel 5 or 6 goes above its setpoint.
- Relay 5 will activate if channel 7 or 8 goes above its setpoint.

e.g. in **SEL.A** mode at the **ALCH** function for channel 2 the setting to allocate relays 1, 2 & 3 to channel 2 are **C1Y**, **C2Y**, **C3Y**, **C4N**, **C5N**, **C6N**, **C7N**, **C8N** i.e. **C1Y** actually means Relay 1 Yes, **C2Y** actually means Relay 2 Yes etc.

Record your own settings in the table below.

	Alarm Relay Number							
	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8
Channel 1								
Channel 2								
Channel 3								
Channel 4								
Channel 5								
Channel 6								
Channel 7								
Channel 8								

8 Explanation of Functions

The TP488 setup and calibration functions are configured through a pushbutton sequence, as explained in “Setting up the instrument” and “Calibration”. Two levels of access are provided for setting up and calibrating - level 1 (simple pushbutton sequence) allows access to alarm relay for each channel and level 2 (power up sequence plus pushbutton sequence) allows access to other setup and calibration parameters. Changes to the setpoints and other functions are made by pressing the **▲** and **▼** pushbuttons. Below is a brief description of each function.

Each function may be accessed by pressing the **F** pushbutton to step through the functions as indicated below. Note: The **P** button may be used to exit the function mode at any time and will abort the function currently displayed without accepting any changes to that function. This is useful for quickly exiting the function mode and for preventing accidental or unwanted changes to the functions.

ALLo	Selected channel alarm low setpoint - Displays and sets the alarm low setpoint value. The low alarm setpoint may be disabled by pressing the ▲ and ▼ pushbuttons simultaneously. When the alarm is disabled the display will indicate OFF . The alarm will trip when the displayed value is lower than the ALLo setpoint value.
ALH,	Selected channel alarm high setpoint - displays and sets the alarm high setpoint value. The high alarm setpoint may be disabled by pressing the ▲ and ▼ pushbuttons simultaneously. When the alarm is disabled the display will indicate OFF . The alarm will trip when the displayed value is higher than the ALH, setpoint value.
Functions below are accessible only via CAL mode - see page 18	
ALHY	Selected channel alarm hysteresis [deadband] - displays and sets the alarm hysteresis limit and is common for both high and low setpoint values. In the high alarm mode once the alarm is tripped the input must fall below the setpoint value minus the hysteresis value to reset the alarm. In the low alarm mode once the alarm is tripped the input must rise above the setpoint value plus the hysteresis value to reset the alarm. The hysteresis units are expressed in displayed engineering units.
ALtt	Selected channel alarm trip time - displays and sets the alarm trip time and is common for both high and low setpoint values. The trip time is the delay before the alarm will trip. The alarm condition must be present continuously for the trip time period before the alarm will trip. This function is useful for preventing an alarm trip due to short non critical deviations from setpoint. The trip time is selectable over 0 to 250 seconds.
ALrt	Selected channel alarm reset time - displays and sets the alarm reset time and is common for both high and low setpoint values. The reset time is the delay before the alarm will de-active after the display value returns to a non alarm value. The trip time is selectable over 0 to 250 seconds.
ALn.o or ALn.c	Selected channel alarm normally open or normally closed - displays and sets the alarm relay action to normally open (de-energised) or normally closed (energised), when no alarm condition is present.
ANb, Lnb, ABP orLBP	Selected channel alarm mode - selects the alarm mode for each channel as follows: ANb - Auto reset with no beeper Lnb - Latching with no beeper ABP - Auto reset with beeper LBP - Latching with beeper Notes: Auto reset action - alarm relay is activated when alarm condition is on and de-activated when alarm condition is off. Latching action - alarm relay is activated with alarm condition on and remains latched with alarm off - is reset by pressing F button. Beeper - with beeper selected an internal beeper sounds during an alarm condition - beeper is silenced when F button is pressed.
AL.CH	Allocate alarm to input channel - the AL.CH function allows each alarm relay to be allocated to one or more input channels. This function will only be seen if the A function is set to SLEt or SEL.A . See “Alarm Relays” chapter for further details of alarm operation and for an example of AL.CH operation.

F.FLY	Relay reset - allows the F button to be used to reset a relay alarm operation. See “Alarm Relays” chapter for further details.
d.OFF	Auto display blanking - The function d.OFF can be used to select the number of minutes for the automatic display blanking. Settings from 0 to 9999 minutes can be made. If set to 0 the auto display blanking is disabled and the display will remain on. If set to a number other than 0 then the display will switch off in the number of minutes set. When the display blanks the alarm annunciators, the input reading and the channel number will all be blanked. Timing for the auto blanking starts from the last keypad operation i.e. from the last time the P , F , ▲ or ▼ button was pressed. To turn the display back on or to restart the timing process simply press any of these buttons. The instrument will continue to measure input, operate alarms etc. even if the display is blank.
FEE-	Analog retransmission low output - only seen if analog output option is fitted. Displays and selects, for the channel selected, the low output value (4mA or 0V) for . i.e. Select at this function the display value at which the retransmission will start. See also associated functions ro.CH , r.tYP and r.Out . See the “Recorder/Monitor Output” Appendix for hardware details.
FEE+	<p>Analog retransmission high output - only seen if analog output option is fitted. Displays and selects, for the channel selected, the high output value (20mA, 1V or 10V) for retransmission. i.e. Select at this function the display value at which the retransmission will reach its highest value. See also associated functions ro.CH, r.tYP and r.Out. See the “Recorder/Retransmission Output” Appendix for hardware details.</p> <p>The graph below illustrates the recorder output when r.Out is to 4-20, FEE- is set to a display value of 100 and the FEE+ is set to a display value of 500.</p>
tYPE	Selected channel temperature sensor type - selects the temperature sensor type to be used with the selected channel. The selections are 100 = 100Ω RTD (PT00), 1000 selects 1000Ω RTD (PT1000), 250 selects 250Ω RTD (Ni250), 335 selects LM335 semiconductor temperature transducer and 10 selects 10Ω copper RTD.
dCPE	Selected channel decimal point selection - displays and sets the decimal point. By pressing the ▲ or ▼ pushbuttons the decimal point position may be . The display will indicate as follows: 0 (no decimal point), 0. 1 (1 decimal place).
FLtr	Digital filter - displays and sets the digital filter value. Digital filtering is used for reducing susceptibility to short term interference. The digital filter range is selectable from 0 to 8, where 0 = none and 8 = most filtering. A typical value for the digital filter would be 3.
CAL	Selected channel calibration - see “Temperature calibration” - allows the user to calibrate each channel to suit the individual thermocouple characteristics. To enter this mode press both the ▲ and ▼ pushbuttons simultaneously. The display will read LIVE (displays the current input temperature of the selected channel). When the temperature is stable press F the display will now read SCALE . Enter the correct calibration value by pressing the ▲ or ▼ pushbutton. Then press the F button to enter the corrected value into the memory. The display will read CAL End , indicating that the calibration for the selected channel is complete.

UCAL	Selected channel uncalibration - used to set the instrument back to the factory calibration values. This function should only be used when calibration problems exist, and it is necessary to clear the calibration memory.
Unit	Temperature units °C or °F - common for all channels. Select °C to display in degrees centigrade or °F to display in degrees fahrenheit.
SCAN	Scan time per channel - common for all channels. Sets display scanning time from 0 (off) to 60 seconds.
Chan	Number of active channels - common for all channels. Selects the number of active channels from 1 to 8. This prevents unused channels from being displayed.
ALYP	alarm operation mode - common for all channels. Allows selection of normal mode (SNG) or multi mode (SLCT or SEL.A) operation. See “Alarm Relays” chapter for further details.
BAUD	Set baud rate - common for all channels, only seen if serial output option fitted Displays and sets the baud rate for RS232/RS485 output. Baud rates of 38.4, 19.2, 9600, 4800, 2400, 1200, 600 and 300 are available. See the “RS232/RS485 Output Option” Appendix for more details.
PRTY	Set parity - common for all channels, only seen if serial output option fitted. Displays and sets the parity bit setting for serial communications. Choose from NONE , EVEN or ODD . See the “RS232/RS485 Output Option” Appendix for more details.
OPUT	Select serial output mode - common for all channels, only seen if serial output option fitted. Displays and sets the serial output mode. Choices are di , SP , Cont , POLL , R.buS or ā.buS . See the “RS232/RS485 Output Option” Appendix for more details.
Addr	RS485 multidrop address - common for all channels, only seen if serial output option fitted. Displays and sets the multidrop address for RS485 communications using polled (POLL) mode. Addresses available are from 0 to 31 with address 0 being reserved as a paging address. See the “RS232/RS485 Output Option” Appendix for more details.
REYP	Analog retransmission type) - common for all channels, only seen if analog output option is fitted). The recorder output can be made to operate in one of three ways indicated by SLCT , H , LO or AUSE . If SLCT is selected within this function then the channel whose input will be output via the recorder output is selected by an external BCD input (SLCT1, SLCT2 and SLCT3 on the circuit board). If H is selected then the highest input value from any input channel selected in ro.CH will be output. If LO is selected then the lowest value from any channel selected in ro.CH will be output. If AUS is selected then the average values of all active channels will be output. See the “Recorder/Monitor Output” Appendix for hardware details.
ro.UT	Analog retransmission mode - common for all channels, only seen if analog output option is fitted. Displays and sets the output mode for the recorder output. For 4-20mA output select 4-20 . For 0-1V output select 0-1.0 . For 0-10V output select 0-10 . Note; ensure that correct links are set on the analog output board when selecting output mode. See the “Recorder/Monitor” Output Appendix for hardware details.
ro.CH	Recorder output channel - only seen if recorder output option is fitted Displays and sets the active channels for the recorder output. Use <input type="checkbox"/> and <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> to select required channel. Select Y (yes) or N (no), toggled via the P button e.g. C2Y means that channel 2 is selected to operate the recorder output (i.e. channel 2 will now affect the recorder output), C2N means that channel 2 will not affect the recorder output. Setting all channels to N will make the recorder output inactive regardless of the FEC and FEC- settings. The REYP function must be set to either H or LO for the ro.CH function to be seen. See the “Recorder/Monitor Output” Appendix for hardware details.

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Data logger settings, see “Data Logger” chapter.

Important: When the calibration procedure has been completed it is advisable to return the instrument to the normal mode (where calibration functions cannot be tampered with). To return to the normal mode, turn off power to the instrument, wait a few seconds and then restore power.

Note: If you are unable to gain access to any of the instruments functions it is possible that the security lockout DIP switch 1 has been placed in the “ON” position. See the “Electrical Installation” chapter for DIP switch 1 location and description on operation.

9 Setting up the Instrument

Setting up and calibrating the display is extremely easy, since most functions are changed or viewed by pressing the pushbuttons. Entry can be made via one of two modes, namely **FUNC** and **CAL** modes. Entry via **FUNC** mode allows access to the alarm relay setpoint functions only. Entry via **CAL** mode allows access to all setup functions. Note that once the power up procedure for **CAL** mode entry has been completed once the instrument will stay in this mode until power is removed.

Step 1, Entering the **FUNC** or **CAL** setup modes

Follow the steps shown in the diagram below to enter either via **FUNC** or **CAL** modes.

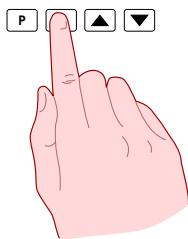
Step 2, Stepping through the settings

The first function message **ALLO** (Alarm Low setting) will be seen followed by the alarm low setpoint value or **OFF** (indicating the low alarm is not used). As with all other messages the first display lets you know which parameter will be affected when changes are made. Each time the **F** button is pressed another setup parameter is displayed until you reach the last function when the display returns to reading the normal process display.

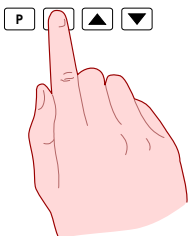
Step 3, Making changes to the settings

Press and release the **F** button until you reach the parameter you wish to change. Initially the display will indicate the particular function (e.g. **ALM**), this will be followed by a display showing the current status of that setting (e.g. **50.0**). The setting may now be changed by pressing the **▲** or **▼** pushbutton until the desired value is displayed. Any change to a function will not be stored in memory until the **F** button is pressed to accept the change. You may then proceed through the functions until you reach the next function that you wish to change or until you exit the function mode. The **P** pushbutton may be pressed to immediately exit the function mode (this is faster than stepping through the remaining functions).

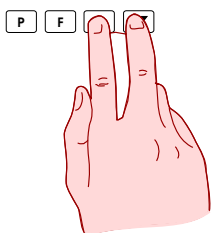
Entering **CAL** Mode



1. Remove power from the instrument. Hold in the **F** button and reapply power. The display will indicate **CAL** as part of the "wake up messages" when the **CAL** message is seen you can release the button.



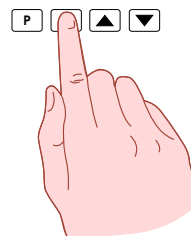
2. When the "wake up" messages have finished and the display has settled down to its normal reading press, then release the **F** button.



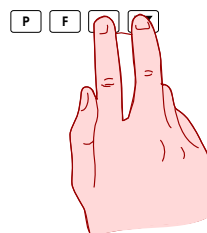
3. Within 2 seconds of releasing the **F** button press, then release the **▲** and **▼** buttons together. The display will now indicate **FUNC** followed by the first function.

Entering **FUNC** Mode

No special power up procedure is needed to enter **FUNC** mode.



1. When the "wake up" messages have finished and the display has settled down to its normal reading press, then release the **F** button.



2. Within 2 seconds of releasing the **F** button press, then release the **▲** and **▼** buttons together. The display will now indicate **FUNC** followed by the first function.

note: X = selected channel or relay number

Function table page 1

Initial display	Meaning of display	Next display	Record your settings for each input							
			1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8
ALLo X	Alarm low setpoint value	Setpoint value or OFF								
ALHi X	Alarm high setpoint value	Setpoint value or OFF								
ALHY X	Alarm hysteresis	Hysteresis value in measured units								
ALtE X	Number of seconds before alarm trips	0 to 9999 (seconds)								
ALrE X	Number of seconds before alarm resets	0 to 9999 (seconds)								
ALn.o X ALn.c X	Alarm normally open or normally closed	ALn.o X or ALn.c X								
Anb X Lnb X AbP X LbP X	Automatic no beeper Latching no beeper Automatic with beeper Latching with beeper	Anb X Lnb X AbP X LbP X								
AL.CH	Allocate relay to input channel	CX Y or CX n								
F.FLY	Relay reset on or off	ON or OFF								
d.OFF	Display blanking time (mins.)	0 to 9999								
#FEC- X	Recorder output low limit	Value in memory								
#FEC+ X	Recorder output high limit	Value in memory								
tYPE X	Select sensor type 100Ω, 1000Ω, 250Ω, LM335 or 10Ω	100 , 1000 n250 , L335 or Cu 10								
dCPt X	Display decimal point	Decimal point position (i.e. 0 or 0. t)								
FLtR X	Digital filter range 0 to 8	0 to 8 (8=most filtering)								

Note: Shaded functions are accessible only via **CAL** mode (see “Calibration”)
 * Accessible only with serial output option fitted

note: X = selected channel or relay number

Function table page 2

Initial display	Meaning of display	Next display	Record your settings for each input										
			1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8			
CAL X	Calibration	See section on calibration											
UCAL X	Uncalibration	See section on calibration											
Unit	Temperature units °C or °F selection	°C or °F											
SCAN	Scan rate range 0 to 60 seconds	Current value in memory											
Chan	Number of input channels	1 to 8											
ALYP	Alarm operation single or select	SNG , SLCT or SELA											
*bAud	Baud rate	38.4 , 19.2 , 9600 , 4800 , 2400 , 1200 , 600 , 300											
*Prty	Parity select	NONE , EVEN or ODD											
*O.PUt	Output select	d , SP , Cont , POLL , R.buS or ā.buS											
*Addr	RS485 multidrop address	1 to 31											
#r.tYP	Recorder output type	SLCT , HI , LO or AUSE											
#r.OUt	Recorder output mode	4-20.0-1.0 or 0-10											
#ro.CH	Set active channels for recorder output	CX Y or CX N											
dLAY Hour dAtE YEAr LCI r	Data logger functions. See "Data Logger" chapter												

Note: Shaded functions are accessible only via **CAL** mode (see "Calibration")

* Accessible only with serial output option fitted

Accessible only when recorder output option fitted

10 Temperature calibration

To enter the calibration mode a special “power up procedure” must be followed. This procedure prevents accidental alteration of settings and provides a degree of calibration security.

Preparing to initialise

Turn off instrument power.

Initialising the calibration mode

Follow the “Entering **CAL** mode” procedure in the “Setting up the Instrument” chapter ensuring that the required input channel is selected.

Now proceed as outlined below - follow the procedure suited to the selected input - note: the calibration routine differs for RTDs and LM335 temperature sensors.

Temperature calibration RTDs

At the **CAL X** function press the **▲** and **▼** buttons simultaneously to enter the calibration function. The display will now indicate **LIVE** (live temperature reading) followed by the “current temperature” reading. Apply an input to the instrument from an accurate resistance source or alternatively place the temperature probe into an accurately known temperature environment (this value is not critical and should ideally be close to the normal measuring temperature of the instrument). When the reading has stabilised press the **F** button. The display will indicate **SCALE** (scale/calibration) followed by the scale value in memory. Now press the **▲** or **▼** pushbutton to obtain the required scale (calibration) value. Press the **F** button the display will now read **CAL End** indicating that the calibration is complete. The display will return to the normal measure mode (with calibration access).

Temperature calibration LM335 semiconductor sensors

At the **CAL X** function press the **▲** and **▼** buttons simultaneously to enter the calibration function. The display will now indicate **LIVE** (live temperature reading) followed by the “current temperature” reading. Place the temperature probe into an accurately known temperature environment (this temperature value is not critical and ideally should be close to the normal measuring temperature of the instrument). When the reading has stabilised press the **F** button. The display will indicate **SCALE** (scale/calibration) followed by the scale value in memory. Now press the **▲** or **▼** pushbutton to obtain the required scale (calibration) value. Press the **F** button the display will now indicate **CAL End** indicating that the calibration is complete. The display will return to the normal measure mode (with calibration access).

Uncalibration

The uncalibration function is accessible following the calibrate function and is displayed as **UCAL**. This function sets the instrument back to the factory calibration value. This function is useful as a temporary measure when the input source/transmitter is replaced and on the spot recalibration is difficult or when a calibrating error exists due to incorrect calibration. The uncalibrate mode follows the calibration mode described above and is initialised by pressing the **▲** and **▼** buttons simultaneously (note: this function will delete the existing calibration and should only be used when necessary). The display will show **CAL CLR** indicating that the calibration is cleared. The display will return to the normal measure mode (with calibration access).

This function only affects the channel selected.

Returning to the normal measure mode

When the calibration procedure has been completed it is advisable to return the instrument to the normal mode (where calibration functions cannot be tampered with). To return to the normal mode, turn off power to the instrument, wait a few seconds and then restore power.

Error messages

See “Error and Status Messages” chapter if any error messages are seen during calibration.

11 Specifications

Technical Specifications

Input Types:	100Ω RTD (PT100), 1000Ω RTD (PT1000), 250Ω RTD (Ni250), LM335 semiconductor or 10Ω copper RTD temperature transducer.
Temperature Range:	100Ω -180 to 650°C 1000Ω -180 to 550°C 250Ω -110 to 220°C LM335 = -50 to 150°C 10Ω copper RTD = -200 to 260°C
Resolution:	Max display 9999, selectable decimal point Temperature display °C or °F, 1 or 0.1°
Accuracy:	0.1% when calibrated For 10Ω copper +/-2°C
Sample Rate:	1 second per channel (approx)
Update Rate:	4 seconds (with 8 channels selected)
Display Scan Rate:	Programmable 0 to 60 seconds per channel
A/D Conversion:	Dual Slope ADC
ADC Resolution	1 in 20,000
Microprocessor:	MC68HC11 CMOS
Ambient Temperature:	-40 to 60°C
Humidity:	5 to 95% non condensing
Display:	4 digit + 1 digit (channel select) red LED, 20mm digit height 8 x annunciator LEDs
Power Supply:	AC 240V or 110V 45/65Hz 12 to 24VDC non isolated
Power Consumption:	AC supply 15VA max, DC supply, typical 500mA (2A peak)
Output (standard):	8 x relay, Form A (2 contacts) rated 5A, max. 240 VAC resistive
Relay Action:	Programmable energised or de-energised

Options

Analog Retransmission:	4 to 20mA, 0 to 1V and 0 to 10V link selectable
Remote Selection:	BCD/Binary input to select input channel (used in conjunction with analog retransmission option)
Serial Communications:	RS232 or RS485
Data Logger:	32k or 128k data logger with RS232 or RS485 communications. Includes Windows™ compatible software for downloading/viewing data.

Physical Characteristics

Case Size:	255 x 145 x 125mm
Weight:	1.3 kgs

12 Error and Status Messages

Startup Errors

CONF Err (configuration error)

Microcontroller has not been configured at the factory or has been damaged.
Return to the factory for service.

Prog EPROM (program eprom).

New software version installed or eprom error.
Microcontroller has reset calibration memory back to factory default values.
All calibration and user settings have been lost.

Measurement Errors

---- (Over range input signal error)

Input level is too high, check sensor input.

-or- (Over range display value)

Indicates that the display value is outside the displayable range e.g. greater than **9999**

Calibration Errors

GA, n Err (Gain out of range error)

Either the input circuitry is faulty or user has entered a new value which is incorrect.
Gain is limited to $\pm 10\%$.

SPAN Err (Calibrating too close to 0°).

User must calibrate instrument at higher temperature. Calibrating close to 0° will cause large errors across the measurement range.

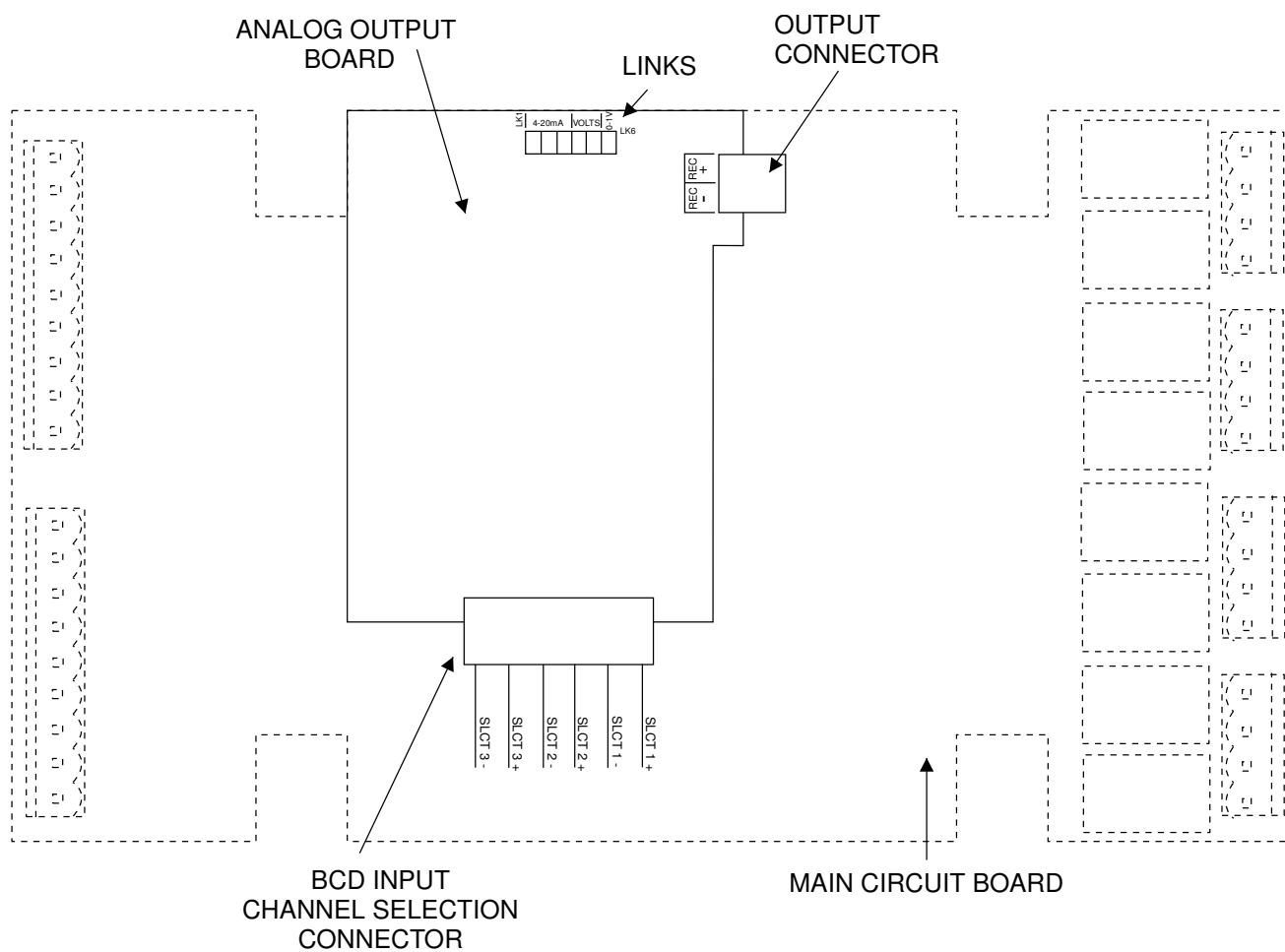
Note: If you are unable to gain access to any of the instruments functions it is possible that the security lockout DIP switch 1 has been placed in the "ON" position. See the "Electrical Installation" chapter for DIP switch 1 location and description on operation.

Appendix - Recorder/Retransmission Output

This addendum covers TP488 instruments with the analog retransmission board. This board allows retransmission of 4 - 20mA, 0-1V or 0-10V selectable via links and the *r.Out* function. See "Configuring the output board" section which follows for link and channel selection details. Refer to the main "Explanation of Functions" chapter for details of functions associated with these outputs and to the Function table for function listing.

Electrical Connections

See diagram below. Refer to "Electrical Installation" chapter for general information on electrical connections. External connections to the board are via plug in connectors with screw terminals these terminals allow for wires up to 2.5mm² diameter to be fitted.

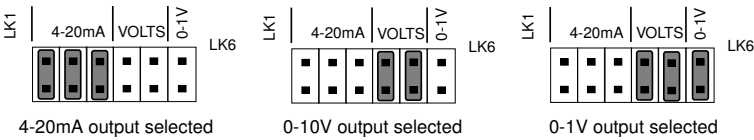


Configuring the output board

The output board has facilities for 4-20mA, 0-1V and 0-10V retransmission and is factory supplied with all the necessary component for the output options required.

PCB links are fitted to the circuit board to connect the electronic components for the correct output types. It may be necessary to alter the PCB links to change the output type (see link settings below).

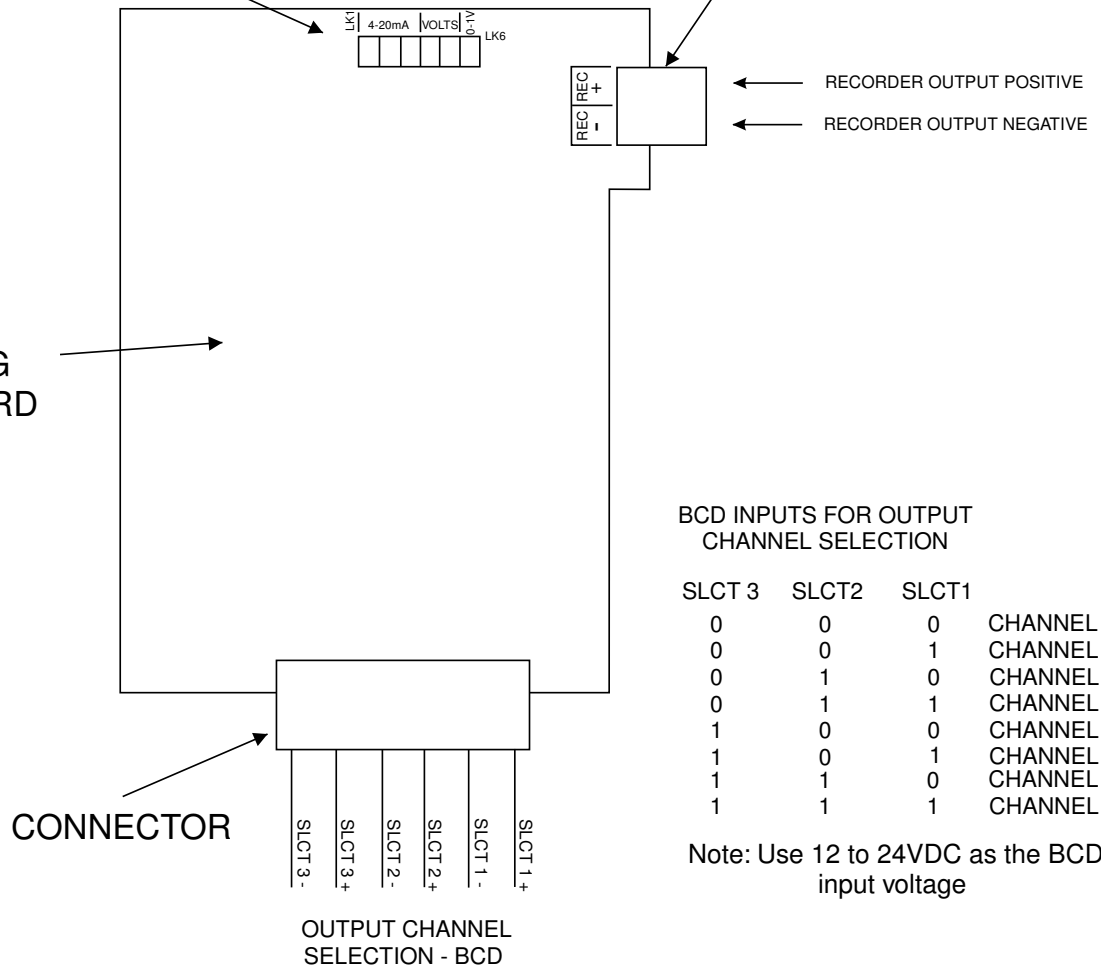
Two connectors allow for connection of recorder output lines and BCD code channel selection lines.



Configuration Selector Links

CONNECTOR

TP488 ANALOG
OUTPUT BOARD



Appendix - RS232/RS485 Output Option

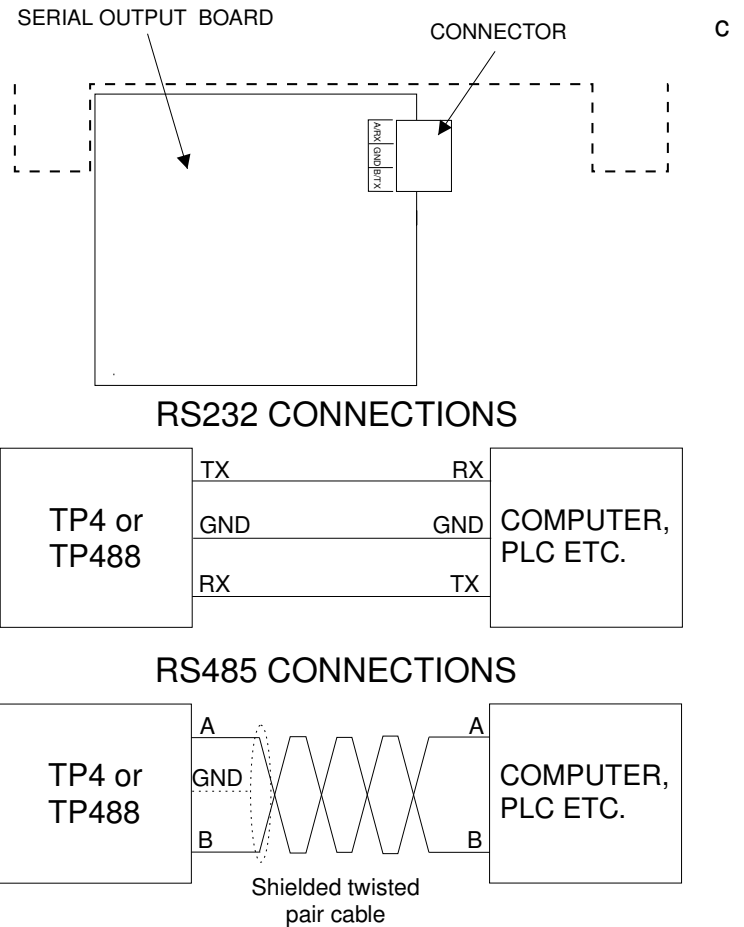
RS232/RS485 Communications Option

The information contained in this appendix relates to TP488 scanning monitors with RS232/RS485 output options using the serial output board. The functions associated with this option are **bAud**, **Prty**, **Q.Pub** and **Addr** see the function table for a listing of these functions.

Electrical Installation

External connections to the serial board are via a plug in connector with screw terminals. These terminals will accept wire up to 2.5²mm. See diagram below for connector details and wiring diagrams which follow.

Wiring between units is as shown in the diagrams below. Use twin shielded wire for RS232 connections with the shield being used as the GND connection or three core overall shielded wire. RS232 is meant for short distance (up to 50ft, 15m) communication. The maximum transmission distance decreases as the baud rate increases. Use twisted pair shielded wire for RS485 connections with the shield being used as GND connection. RS485 can communicate over much longer distances (more than a kilometre) than RS232, again the maximum transmission distance decreases as the baud rate increases.



RS232/RS485 Functions:

bAud - (set baud rate) Select the baud rate from **38.4 . 19.2 . 9600 . 4800 . 2400 . 1200 . 600** or **300**

Prty - (set parity) Select either **NONE**, **EVEN** or **Odd**

Q.Pub - (select serial output mode) Select **d**, **SP**, **Cont**, **POLL**, **R.buS** or **~.buS**

d, **SP** - Sends image data from the display without conversion to ASCII

Cont - Sends ASCII form of display data every time display is updated

POLL - Controlled by computer or PLC as host

R.buS - Used when communicating with the Windows compatible download software supplied with the optional data logger.

~.buS - See the "Modbus Communications" chapter for details of the **~.buS** option.

Host sends command via RS232/RS485 and instrument responds as required

Addr - (set unit address for polled (**POLL**) mode (0 to 31))

Allows several units to operate on the same RS485 interface reporting on different areas etc. The host computer or PLC may poll each unit in turn by supplying the appropriate address.

The unit address ranges from 0 to 31 (DEC) but is offset by 32 (DEC) to avoid clashing with ASCII special function characters such as <STX> and <CR>. Therefore 32 (DEC) or 20 (HEX) is address 0, 42 (DEC) or 2A (HEX) addresses unit 10.

Notes: Address 0 is reserved as a paging address i.e. it will address all units present on the interface. Do not use address 0 as a unit address for normal operation. If the address is omitted from the polling mode command the unit will not echo back an address when replying to the poll.

Multi drop operation is only valid for instruments fitted with the RS485 output option.

RS232/485 Operation and Commands

The RS232/RS485 interface is user selectable. The 3 modes of operation available are as follows:-

d. SP - Image Display Mode:

In image display mode the display value is sent via RS232/485 as raw data in the following format:

<ESC> IXYYYY

Where:

<ESC>

I is the ESCAPE character (27 Dec, 1B Hex)

X is the character 'I' (73 Dec, 49 Hex)

X is the number of image bytes in ASCII (49 to 56 Dec, 31 to 38 Hex)

YYYY is the raw, 8 bit display data.

This information is output every display update (approx. once per second - depending upon baud rate). The number of image bytes sent depends on the number of display digits present.

The most common usage would be to provide output for a large digit display for wide area viewing which just mimics the smaller display on the measuring instrument. The large digit displays automatically detects the image mode data and displays the correct value accordingly. The data is in seven segment display image.

Cont - Continuous Transmit Mode (ASCII):

In this mode the display value is continually sent via the RS232/485 interface every display update (approx. once per second depending on the baud rate). The format for this is as follows:-

<STX> XAAAA, XBBBB, XCCCC,.....XHHHH<CR>

Where: <STX> is start of text character (2 Dec, 02 Hex)

X SPACE (32 Dec, 20 Hex) for a positive value.

X '-' (45 Dec, 2D Hex) for a negative value.

AAAA is the display value in ASCII for channel 1 (length depends on number of display digits)

BBBB is the display value in ASCII for channel 2

CCCC is the display value in ASCII for channel 3

HHHH is the display value in ASCII for channel 8

Note: Display values will only be sent for active channels i.e. the channels selected under the **Chan!** function. The display values will be sent in this manner (one after another) even if the instrument is not in scanning mode.

<CR> is a Carriage Return (13 Dec, 0D Hex)

POLL - Host Controlled Transmit Mode (ASCII):

This mode requires a host computer or PLC to poll the instrument to obtain display or other information or reset various setpoint parameters. The format for the host command is as follows:-

<STX>CA<CR>D<CR> (Standard read etc.)

<STX>CA<CR>D<CR>N<CR>YYYYY (Set Value Command)

Note: if sent without address i.e. <STX>C<CR> etc. the TP488 will act as a stand alone unit and will not return a address when replying to the host.

Where: <STX> is Start of Text Character (2 Dec, 02 Hex)

C is the command character (see list below)

A is the unit address (Range: 32 to 63 Dec, 20 to 3F Hex - address is offset by 32 Dec, 20 Hex).

Note: address will not be sent if unit address is set to 0.

<CR> is Carriage Return (13 Dec, 0D Hex)

D is the channel number

e.g.: 32 Hex would be channel 2

N is the setpoint number in ASCII

e.g.: 31 Hex would be alarm 1 etc.

X SPACE for positive and '-' for negative

YYYYY is the setpoint value in ASCII

The POLL commands available and instrument responses are as follows:

Transmit Primary Display Value: <STX>PA<CR>D<CR>

Instructs unit to return the primary display value. The primary value is the main reading on a certain instrument such as Thermocouple temperature on a TP488-TC. Format of returned data is:-

<ACK>PANYYYYY<CR>

Where: <ACK> is Acknowledge (6 Dec, 06 Hex)

P echo command received 'P' (80 Dec, 50 Hex)
A is the responding unit's address
N is the channel number in ASCII
X SPACE for positive and '-' for negative
YYYY is the display value in ASCII
<CR> is a Carriage Return (13 Dec, 0D Hex)

The number of display characters returned depends on the number of display digits present. If the decimal point is non zero then it will be sent in the appropriate place as '.' (46 Dec, 2E Hex).

Transmit Secondary Display Value: <STX>SA<CR>D<CR>

Instructs unit to return the secondary display value. For example the secondary value would be Cold Junction Temperature on a TP488-TC. Format of returned data is:-

<ACK>SAXYYYY<CR>

Where: <ACK> is Acknowledge (6 Dec, 06 Hex)
S echo command received 'S' (83 Dec, 53 Hex)
A is the responding unit's address
X is SPACE for positive and '-' for negative
YYYY is the display value in ASCII
<CR> is a Carriage Return (13 Dec, 0D Hex)

The number of display characters returned depends on the number of display digits present. If the decimal point is non zero then it will be sent in the appropriate place as '.' (46 Dec, 2E Hex).

If the instrument does not have a secondary display then the "invalid" command will be echoed back with no display value (i.e.:<ACK>?A<CR>).

Read Low Alarm Setpoint: <STX>LA<CR>E<CR>

Instructs unit to return value of low alarm setpoint. Format of returned data is:

<ACK>LAEXYYYY<CR>

Where: <ACK> is Acknowledge (6 Dec, 06 Hex)
L echo command received 'L' (76 Dec, 4C Hex)
A is the responding unit's address
E is the setpoint alarm number in ASCII
e.g.: 31 Hex would be alarm 1 etc.
X is SPACE for positive and '-' for negative
YYYY is the setpoint value in ASCII (OFF if alarm is set to OFF)
<CR> is a Carriage Return (13 Dec, 0D Hex)

If setpoint number specified is not present the return string will have the setpoint number set to zero (i.e.: <ACK>LA0).

Read High Alarm Setpoint: <STX>HA<CR>N<CR>

Instructs unit to return value of high alarm setpoint. Format of returned data is:

<ACK>HAEXYYYY<CR>

Where: <ACK> is Acknowledge (6 Dec, 06 Hex)
H echo command received 'H' (72 Dec, 48 Hex)
A is the responding unit's address
E is the setpoint alarm number in ASCII
e.g.: 31 Hex would be alarm 1 etc.
X is SPACE for positive and '-' for negative
YYYY is the setpoint value in ASCII (OFF if alarm is set to OFF)
<CR> is a Carriage Return (13 Dec, 0D Hex)

If setpoint number specified is not present the return string will have the setpoint number set to zero (i.e.: <ACK>HA0).

Set Low Alarm Setpoint: <STX>IA<CR>E<CR>XYYYY<CR>

Instructs unit to change value of low alarm setpoint. Format of returned data is:-

<ACK>IAEXYYYY<CR>

Where: <ACK> is Acknowledge (6 Dec, 06 Hex)
I echo command received 'I' (108 Dec, 6C Hex)

A is the responding unit's address
E is the setpoint alarm number in ASCII
e.g.: 31 Hex would be alarm 1 etc.
X is SPACE for positive and '-' for negative
YYYY is the setpoint value in ASCII
<CR> is a Carriage Return (13 Dec, 0D Hex)

If setpoint number specified is not present the return string will have the setpoint number set to zero i.e.: <ACK>IA0<CR>.

Set High Alarm Setpoint: <STX>hA<CR>E<CR>XYYYY<CR>

Instructs unit to change value of high alarm setpoint. Format of returned data is:-

<ACK>hAEXYYYY<CR>

Where: <ACK> is Acknowledge (6 Dec, 06 Hex)
h echo command received 'h' (104 Dec, 68 Hex)
A is the responding unit's address
E is the setpoint number in ASCII
e.g.: 31 Hex would be alarm 1 etc.
X is SPACE for positive and '-' for negative
YYYY is the setpoint value in ASCII
<CR> is a Carriage Return (13 Dec, 0D Hex)

If setpoint number specified is not present the return string will have the setpoint number set to zero i.e.: <ACK>hA0<CR>.

Transmit Instrument Model and Version: <STX>MA<CR>

Instructs unit to return the model and version number of the instrument. Format of returned data is:-

<ACK>MACCX.X<CR>

Where: <ACK> is Acknowledge (6 Dec, 06 Hex)
M is echo command received 'M' (77 Dec, 4D Hex)
A is the responding unit's address
CC a 2 character model identifier (e.g.: TC - thermocouple)
X.X is the version number (e.g.: '0.1')
<CR> is a Carriage Return (13 Dec, 0D Hex)

Transmit Number of Active Channels: <STX>CA<CR>

Instructs the unit to return the number of active channels currently selected (**Chan** function).

Format of returned data is:-

<ACK>CA N<CR>

Where: <ACK> is Acknowledge (6 Dec, 06 Hex)
A is the responding unit's address
N is the number of active channels.

Invalid Command

If the command received from the host is not valid then the unit will return the following:-

<ACK>?A<CR>

Where: <ACK> is Acknowledge (6 Dec, 06 Hex)
? is the character '?' (63 Dec, 3F Hex)
A is the responding unit's address
<CR> is a Carriage Return (13 Dec, 0D Hex)

If the address received from the host does not match the units address then the unit will not respond at all.

Host Timing Requirements for RS485 Operation: RS485 operation requires the host to switch the RS485 transceiver to transmit before a command is sent. The instrument is capable of replying after 1 to 2 milliseconds. Therefore the host should switch the RS485 transceiver back to receive mode within 0.5 milliseconds after the last character of the command has been sent to ensure correct operation.

Note: In some older software version models the instrument will not respond if an invalid setpoint alarm number is given in the alarm setpoint commands e.g. if N is sent as alarm 9 (3A Hex) in the "Read high alarm setpoint" command then the instrument will make no response.

Appendix - Data Logger

Operation of the Data Logger

See separate booklet "Download Software User Guide" if the datalogger Windows software is being used.

The sample value present at the input to the channel at the time will be stored in the datalogger memory.

The data logger automatically logs inputs to all eight TP488 channels or the input channel in TP4 instruments. For TP488 channels not selected (see **Chan** function) the overrange value (----) will be logged for each sample. The logging rate is set separately and is independent from the instruments scan rate setting (**SCAN**). If an input is overranged when logged then the overrange value (----) will be logged for that channel for as long as the overrange value is present. Readings taken during power failure will also be logged as the overrange value. If in averaging mode, any overranged samples will be discarded. Only the valid samples will be averaged. If no valid samples are taken then the average value will be logged.

The log memory is set up in a circular format. Once the top of memory is reached the log data will overwrite the start of memory (overwriting the oldest record). The recording time available will vary depending on the memory size fitted and the update time selected (**DELAY** function).

Data is transmitted in comma separated format making it compatible with many commercially available databases/spreadsheets. Time information is downloaded in Julian time format which is again compatible with many databases/spreadsheets. The internal clock is battery backed. Downloaded log records are in the form of the time followed by the logged record for each channel at that time.

Downloaded information is transmitted via the serial output option board in RS232 or RS485 format, thus a serial output option must be fitted on all instruments with data logging software. Refer to the "RS232/RS485 Output Option" chapter for hardware and software details. Special software details which apply only to data logger option instruments are given at the end of this appendix.

Data Logger Table - Maximum Logging Times

Times are rounded to the nearest minute.

Time between logs	32k Memory	128k Memory
	days : hours : min	days : hours : min
10 Sec	0 : 04 : 26	0 : 17 : 46
20 Sec	0 : 8 : 53	1 : 11 : 33
30 Sec	0 : 13 : 20	2 : 05 : 20
1 Minutes	1 : 02 : 40	4 : 10 : 40
2 Minutes	2 : 05 : 20	8 : 21 : 20
3 Minutes	3 : 08 : 00	13 : 08 : 00
4 Minutes	4 : 10 : 40	17 : 18 : 40
5 Minutes	5 : 13 : 20	22 : 05 : 20
6 Minutes	6 : 16 : 00	26 : 16 : 00
10 Minutes	11 : 02 : 40	44 : 10 : 40
15 Minutes	16 : 16 : 00	66 : 16 : 00
20 Minutes	22 : 05 : 20	88 : 21 : 20
30 Minutes	33 : 08 : 00	133 : 08 : 00
60 Minutes	66 : 16 : 00	266 : 16 : 00

Explanation of Functions

Functions which are used when the data logger option is fitted are accessible only via **CL** mode. Details of these new functions are given below.

dLRY (select log update time)

Displays and sets the time period between each log sample. Available selections are:

0.10 (10 seconds), **0.20** (20 seconds), **0.30** (30 seconds), **1.00** (1 minute), **2.00** (2 minutes), **3.00** (3 minutes), **4.00** (4 minutes), **5.00** (5 minutes), **6.00** (6 minutes), **10.00** (10 minutes), **15.00** (15 minutes), **20.00** (20 minutes), **30.00** (30 minutes) and **60.00** (60 minutes).

Note: The data log memory (see **LCLR** below) must be cleared whenever the log update time is changed or the date and time is changed.

Hour (set time)

Sets the current time in hours and minutes (24 hour format HH.MM) e.g. set as **1720** for 5:20 pm.

DATE (set date)

Displays and sets the current date in days and months (DD.MM format). The months will roll over automatically (up at the end of the month, down at the beginning of the month) as the day is scrolled up or down.

YEAR (set year)

Displays and sets the current year (YYYY format). Valid years settings are from 1970 to 2037 (valid Julian time format years).

LCLR (clear data log memory)

This function clears the data log memory, to clear the memory press then release **▲** and **▼** simultaneously, the display will show **LCLR?** asking if you really want to clear the memory. If you wish to clear memory then press then release **▲** and **▼** simultaneously again. The log memory will then be cleared and the log period reset, the display will indicate **ProgLog** to confirm this. Once the memory is cleared all previously logged records will be lost from the instruments memory, if the **LCLR?** message is reached and it is not wished to clear the log memory then pressing and releasing either **F** or **P** will abort the function.

Serial Command Format

Instruments using the data logger option are provided with extra software functions to the standard instrument. This section describes these extra functions, refer to "RS232/RS485 Output Option" appendix for description of standard serial communications functions.

Note the commands described below are only required if communication to the data logger is being made without the Windows software provided with the data logger. Refer to the separate Download Software Users Guide for details of communications using the Windows software.

Initial Setup

Select the baud rate (**baud**), parity (**Prty**) and address (**Addr**) as required. The serial output mode function (**0.Puty**) must be set to **POLL** when using the data logger.

Extra Functions

These functions are seen only in data logger software versions of the TP488.

Transmit Record Block:

<STX>DA<CR>D<CR>TTTTTTTTTT<CR>NNNN<CR>

Where: TTTTTTTTTT is the start time of the block (in Julian time format).

NNNN is the number of records to be sent.

Instructs the unit to send a block of logged data via the serial interface.

The returned data format is:-

<ACK>DAD<CR>

Followed by NNNN records in the format:-

TTTTTTTTTT,S1111,S2222,S3333,S4444,S5555,S6666,S7777,S8888<CR>

Where: TTTTTTTTTT is the start time for each record (in Julian time format). If TTTTTTTTTT (time in "Transmit Record Block" request) is sent as 0 then the records will start at the earliest time in log memory.

S is the sign (<SPACE> for positive values and “-” for negative.)

1111, 2222 etc. are the values for each channel.

Values will only be transmitted for active channels. Invalid readings from any channel will be received as the overrange value (—) for that channel.

If the start time requested is not present in the log then <ACK>DA?<CR> will be returned.

Transmit All Logged Data: <STX>DA<CR>A<CR>

Instructs the unit to transmit the entire data log. All log records since the last log memory reset will be sent to the host.

The unit will respond with <ACK>DAA<CR> followed by all log record sent in the same format as above (Transmit Record Block)

Transmit System Time: <STX>DA<CR>T<CR>

Instructs the instrument to transmit the current time in Julian time format as follows:-

<ACK>DAT TTTTTTTTTT<CR>

Transmit the Log Start Time: <STX>DA<CR>S<CR>

Instructs the instrument to transmit the log start time i.e. the time stamp on the first record in the log. Note that if the memory has “wrapped around”, i.e. has started to overwrite existing logged records, that the log start time will not be the original time the log started (since this time stamp and associated log record has been overwritten).

The returned data format is:-

<ACK>DAS TTTTTTTTTT<CR>

Transmit the Log Update Time: <STX>DA<CR>U<CR>

Returns the current log update time as set in the log memory. The returned time may be different to the **dLRY** time if there has been no log reset since the **dLRY** function was changed.

The returned data format is:-

<ACK>DAU NNNN<CR>

Where: NNNN is the update time in seconds.

Transmit the Log Memory Size: <STX>DA<CR>M<CR>

Returns the size of the log memory in records.

The returned data format is:-

<ACK>DAM NNNN<CR>

Where: NNNN is the number of records for that memory size e.g. an 8K memory will return 508.

Set the System Time: <STX>DA<CR>t<CR>TTTTTTTTTT<CR>

Set the instrument system clock to Julian time TTTTTTTTTT. If the command is successful then <ACK>DAt<CR> will be returned. If the Julian time is invalid then <ACK>DA?<CR> will be returned.

Set the Log Update Time: <STX>DA<CR>u<CR>NNNN<CR>

Set the log update time to NNNN seconds. Note that the new time will not apply until a log reset is performed. If the command is successful then <ACK>DAu<CR> will be returned. If the update time is invalid then <ACK>DA?<CR> will be returned. Valid times are as shown in the **dLRY** function explanation.

Reset the Log Memory: <STX>DA<CR>R<CR>RESET<CR>

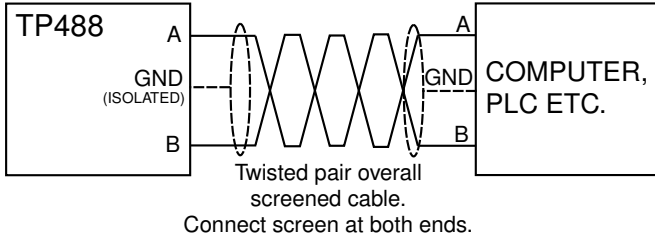
This command will reset the log memory. This will erase all current records and reset the log update time if it has changed. As this will result in a loss of data the command must be sent exactly as it appears or the memory will not be reset. If the command is successful then <ACK>DAR<CR> will be returned to indicate that the memory has been reset. If the command is invalid then <ACK>DA?<CR> will be returned.

Appendix - Modbus Communications.

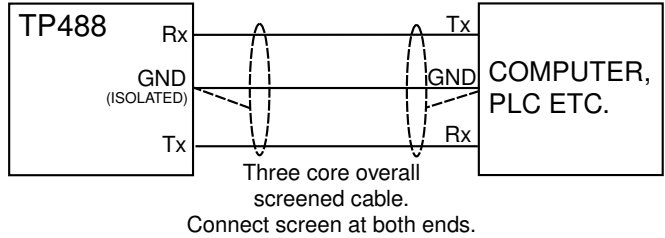
This addendum covers the use of Modbus RTU communications when using the TP488 scanning monitor.

When using modbus communications the instrument must be set up electrically for RS232 or RS485 communications. The serial communications port is situated on a small printed circuit board which plugs into the main printed circuit board. Connections are as shown below.

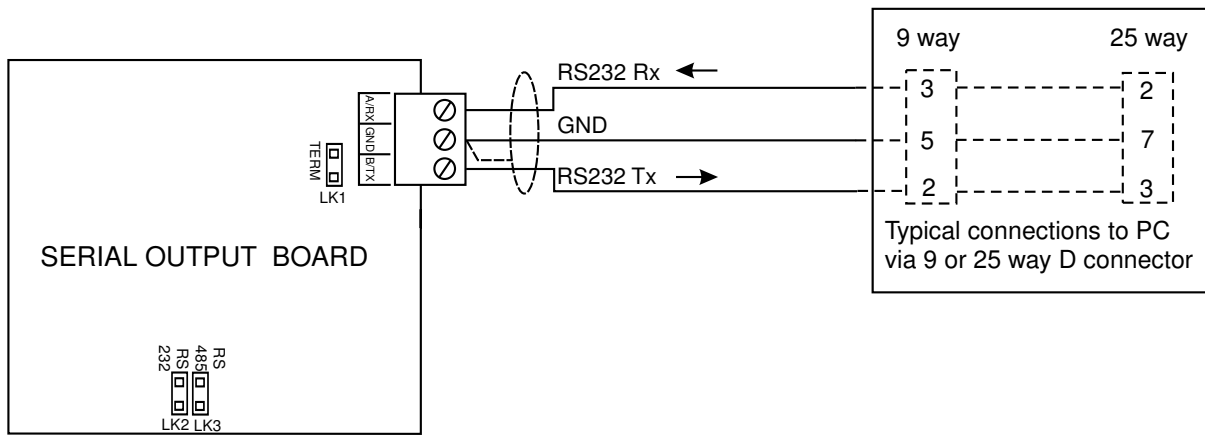
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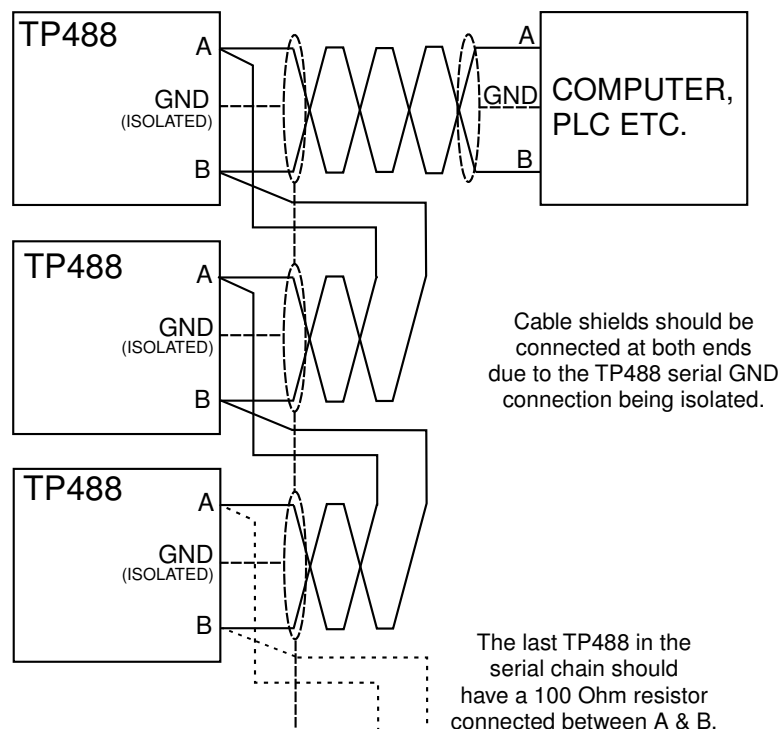
RS232 CONNECTIONS



CONNECTIONS TO THE SERIAL OUTPUT BOARD



MULTIPLE CONNECTIONS (RS485 ONLY)



Modbus commands

Note: the maximum recommended baud rate is 9600.

The following commands are available:

Function 1 Read coil status

Reads the ON/OFF status of the relay coils. Broadcast is not supported. Relays 1 to 8 are addressed as 0 to 7. Logic 1 = ON, Logic 0 = OFF.

To read the coil status a query is sent to the TP488, the TP488 then responds to the query. An example of a query to read coils 1 to 8 from the TP488 at address 2 is given below.

Field Name	Example (Hex)
Unit address	02
Function	01
Starting address Hi	00
Starting address Lo	00
Number of points Hi	00
Number of points Lo	08
Error check (LRC or CRC)	–

An example of a response is given below:

Field Name	Example (Hex)
Unit address	02
Function	01
Byte count	01
Data (coils 8 to 1)	B6
Error check (LRC or CRC)	–

The status of the relay coils is shown in the Data B6 (hex) or binary 10110110. Relay 1 is indicated by the LSB and relay 8 by the MSB. The status of the relays is therefore:

Relay 1 - OFF, Relay 2 - ON, Relay 3 - ON, Relay 4 - OFF, Relay 5 - ON, Relay 6 - ON, Relay 7 - OFF and Relay 8 - ON.

Function 3 Read holding registers

This function reads the binary contents of the holding registers in the TP488 being addressed. Registers 1 to 8 hold display values for channels 1 to 8. Note a value of 32000 represents a positive overrange and -32000 a negative overrange. Registers 1 to 8 are addressed as 0 to 7.

Registers 9 to 16 hold the alarm high values for relays 1 to 8. Note a value of 0X8000 means that the relay is set to OFF and has no high value. Registers 9 to 16 are addressed as 8 to 15.

Registers 17 to 24 hold the alarm low values for relays 1 to 8. Note a value of 0X8000 means that the relay is set to OFF and has no low value. Registers 17 to 24 are addressed as 16 to 23.

Registers 25 to 32 represent the decimal point settings for channels 1 to 8. Registers 25 to 32 are addressed as 24 to 31.

An example of a query to read holding registers 1 to 3 from the TP488 at address 5 is given below.

Field Name	Example (Hex)
Unit address	05
Function	03
Starting address Hi	00
Starting address Lo	00
Number of points Hi	00
Number of points Lo	03
Error check (LRC or CRC)	–

An example of a response is given below:

Field Name	Example (Hex)
Unit address	05
Function	03
Byte count	06
Data Hi (register 1)	00
Data Lo (register 1)	33
Data Hi (register 2)	00
Data Lo (register 2)	25
Data Hi (register 3)	00
Data Lo (register 3)	17
Error check (LRC or CRC)	–

The contents of register 1 is 33 (hex) or 51 (decimal), register 2 is 25 (hex) or 37 (decimal) and register 3 is 17 (hex) or 23 decimal.

Register table for Function 3

Address	Register	Description
0X00	1	Channel 1 display value
0X01	2	Channel 2 display value
0X02	3	Channel 3 display value
0X03	4	Channel 4 display value
0X04	5	Channel 5 display value
0X05	6	Channel 6 display value
0X06	7	Channel 7 display value
0X07	8	Channel 8 display value
0X08	9	Alarm 1 high setpoint
0X09	10	Alarm 2 high setpoint
0X0A	11	Alarm 3 high setpoint
0X0B	12	Alarm 4 high setpoint
0X0C	13	Alarm 5 high setpoint
0X0D	14	Alarm 6 high setpoint
0X0E	15	Alarm 7 high setpoint
0X0F	16	Alarm 8 high setpoint
0X10	17	Alarm 1 low setpoint
0X11	18	Alarm 2 low setpoint
0X12	19	Alarm 3 low setpoint
0X13	20	Alarm 4 low setpoint
0X14	21	Alarm 5 low setpoint
0X15	22	Alarm 6 low setpoint
0X16	23	Alarm 7 low setpoint
0X17	24	Alarm 8 low setpoint
0X19	26	Channel 1 display decimal point
0X1A	27	Channel 2 display decimal point
0X1B	28	Channel 3 display decimal point
0X1C	29	Channel 4 display decimal point
0X1D	30	Channel 5 display decimal point
0X1E	31	Channel 6 display decimal point
0X1F	32	Channel 7 display decimal point
0X20	33	Channel 8 display decimal point

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