# FLO-GAGE

# **Description**

The **RCM Flo-Gage™** is a direct reading flow meter with a large, easy to read dial calibrated in engineering units (GPM, SCFM, l/min, etc.). The **Flo-Gage™** measures flow based on a pressure differential created across a built-in calibrated nozzle. The flow meter is self contained and complete. It does not require external power connections, separate orifices, or blocking, purging or equalizing valves.

The Flo-Gage™ is suitable for measuring water, oil and most other low viscosity liquids which do not deposit out and which are compatible with the materials of construction.

The Flo-Gage™ is also suitable for measuring compressed air, oxygen, carbon dioxide, and many other nontoxic compressed gases (specify option I). Saturated steam can also be measured up to 120 psig (specify option K).

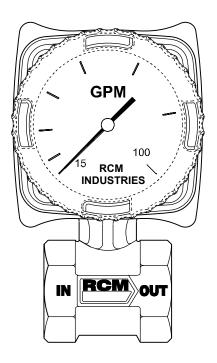
The **Flo-Gage™** can be fitted with 2 or 4 wire transmitters to provide a current output for remote indication, recording or totalization, or with reed switch contacts for signaling high or low flows.

### **Features and Benefits**

- Sturdy in-line metal construction to withstand piping stresses without breaking
- Black on white dial won't crack glaze or become hard to read with age
- Expanded 3.5" (90mm) 270° analog dial for reading at a glance
- Suitable for use with opaque and clear fluids.
- Measures 6:1 range with ± 3% F.S. accuracy
- Dial and case factory configured for quick installation but easily field re-configured if needed
- Liquid flow ranges from 4 GPH (15 l/h) in 1/2" flow meter to 3000 GPM (12000 l/m) in 8" flow meter
- Gas flow ranges from 40 SCFH (1 Nm³/h) in 1/2" flow meter to 20,000 SCFM (600 Nm³/m) in 8" flow meter.

# **Applications**

The **Flo-Gage™** flow meter has been developed for industria I applications where durability and reliability are important considerations in the monitoring flow. The **Flo-Gage™** has accuracy for most industrial processes and is particularly suited for applications where compactness, low cost, minimal maintenance and resistance to accidental damage are important factors. Typical application include: lube oil monitoring, blending processes, cooling water, reverse osmosis systems, and compressed air measurement.



# **Specifications**

	Standard	Options
Housing	Polycarbonate	Aluminum
Body	Bronze	Monel 316 SS
Bellows	Bronze	Monel 316 SS Inconel
Seals	Buna-N	Viton EPR Teflon
Crystal	Polycarbonate	Glass Plastic
Gear Movement	Bronze	316 SS
Accuracy Repeatability Pressure	± 3% F.S. ± 1% F.S.	
Maximum Minimum <b>Temperature</b>	180 psig 10 psig	400 psig 10 psig
Maximum Minimum	212°F -30 °F	350°F -80 °F

# **Specifications (continued)**

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Transmitter Option	W,X,Y,Z (4-wire)	W2,W3 (2-wire)
Accuracy	, ,	,
Horizontal	± 3% F.S.	± 3% F.S.
Vertical	± 5% F.S.	± 3% F.S.
Minimum Flow Rate		
	± 30% F.S.	± 15% F.S.
Ambient Temp Limit		
	120°F, 50°C	120°F, 50°C
Current Output	4-20mA	4-20mA
Ohms max	800Ω	650Ω
		350Ω
		(RW 3)
Contact Rating	3.0 amp @ 24V	
(Hi / Lo)	1.0 amp @ 117V	
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Frequency Output	1000 Hz F.S. 5V Peak	
	270 ms on time	
Electrical Rating	General Purpose	
Power Input	100mA	25mA
(customer	24Vdc	24Vdc
furnished)	21700	2.7.00
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Reed Switches	1S2, 2S2	
Setability	± 5% F.S.	
Hysteresis	7-13% F.S.	
Contact Rating	10 watts	
Voltage	175Vdc max	
	125Vac max	
Switching	350mA max	

1.0 amp max

#### How to order

Select a) body size, b) series, c) body material, d) direction of flow, e) full scale flow rate, f) options (if required) and g) switches.

- a) BODY SIZE The pipe size at the meter inlet.
- b) SERIES End Connections

7 – Threaded units provided with FNPT connections standard. FBSP parallel connection bronze and monel
8 – Wafer unit mount between 150 or 300 class flanges

- c) MATERIALS
  - 1 = Bronze
  - 2 = Monel
  - 3 = Stainless Steel 316
- d) FLOW DIRECTION (L, R, VUL, VUR, VDL, VDR)



- e) FLOW RATE (full scale GPM for liquid meters, SCFM for compressed gas meters) Prefix full scale with "M" for metric units. Non-standard flow rates use option "E"
- **f) OPTIONS** (if required) Select from "Table of Options" below.
- g) SWITCHES (if required) 1S2 or 2S2 Option

Example below is the catalog model number for a 3/4" FNPT series 7000, material is Bronze (1), flow direction left to right (R), flow range of 20 GPM full scale, optional Viton seals (A), and gasketed case option (D) and optional reed switch 1S2.

Example 
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a bc d e f q

# **Table of Options**

Carry

Α	Viton Seals	R3	Remote Readout, 316 SS (Mechanical Indication)
В	EPR Seals	T	Expanded Temperature (-80°F to 350°F max.)
B2	Teflon Seals	V	High Viscosity Service (5-500 cps)
С	Calibrated for Specific Gravity		TRANSMITTERS
D	Gasketed Case	W	4-20mA DC 4-Wire Transmitter
D2	Gasketed Case with Condulet	W2	4-20mA DC 2-Wire Transmitter
E	Non-Standard Flow Rate	W3	4-20mA DC 2-Wire Transmitter (output only)
ES	Low Flow Rate (Below 2 GPM)	RW3	Digital Display Readout (Rate and Total)
F	Aluminum Housing with Plastic Dial Crystal	Χ	Hi / Lo Alarm Relays
F2	Aluminum Housing with Glass Dial Crystal	Υ	0-1000 Hz Frequency Transmitter
G	Custom Scales and Dials	Z	Combination of Options W, X, & Y
Н	High Pressure Service (400 psig max.)		REED SWITCHES
1	Compressed Gas Service	-1S2	1 Single Pole Double Throw Reed Switch
J	Peak Flow Indicator	-2S2	2 Single Pole Double Throw Reed Switches
K	Saturated Steam Service (120 psig max.)	-LED	Light Emitting Diodes Coming Soon!
N	Ammonia Service		APPROVALS
Р	Panel Mount	-EM	Electromagnetic Compatibility 89/336/EEC
R2	Remote Readout, Brass (Mechanical Indication)	-IS	Intrinsically Safe 94/9/EC

# **Standard Flow Rates & Body Sizes**

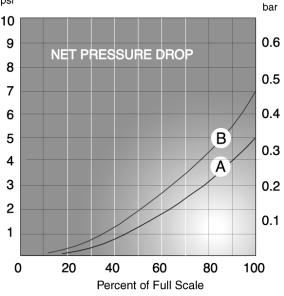
Series 7000 (Threaded) and 8000 (Wafer)

### Series 8000 (Wafer)

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Siz	Э	Full Scale Flow Range Liquids Gas		<b>Size</b> Steam		Full Scale Flow Range Liquids Gas			Steam				
In	mm	GPM	l/m	SCFM	Nm³/h	#/h	In	mm	GPM	l/m	SCFM	Nm³/h	#/h
1/4	08	2	8	10	15	40	2 1/2	65	60	240	600	1000	1000
		3	15	20	30	60			100	400	800	1200	2000
		4	25	30	50	80			150	600	1000	1500	3000
									200	800	1200	2000	4000
1/2	15	2	8	10	15	40							
		3	10	20	30	60	4	100	300	1000	1500	50	6000
		4	15	30	50	80			400	1500	3000	100	8000
		6	25	40	80	120			600	2400	5000	150	10000
		10	40	60	100	200			800	3000	6000	200	15000
3/4	20	6	25	60	100	120	5	125	300	1000	1500	50	6000
		10	40	100	150	200			400	1500	3000	100	8000
		15	60	150	200	300			600	2400	5000	150	10000
		20	80	200	300	400			800	3000	6000	200	15000
1	25	15	60	150	250	300	6	150	600	2400	3000	100	10000
		20	80	200	300	400			800	3000	5000	150	15000
		30	120	300	500	600			1000	4000	8000	250	20000
		40	150	400	600	800			2000	8000	15000	400	40000
1 1/2	40	30	120	300	500	600	8	200	600	2400	5000	100	10000
		40	150	400	600	800			1000	4000	8000	150	20000
		60	240	600	1000	1000			2000	8000	15000	400	40000
		100	400	800	1200	2000			3000	12000	20000	600	60000
2	50	40	150	400	600	800							
		60	240	600	1000	1000	В	<b>**</b>	D	uon Ch			
		100	400	800	1200	2000	P	ress	ure D	rop Ci	naracte	eristics	5
		150	600	1000	1500	3000	psi						
		200	800	1200	2000	4000	10						bar
3	80	200	800	1000	1500	4000							0.6
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# **Optional low Flow Range (option ES)**

Size		Full Scale Flow Range Liquids Gas					
In	mm	GPH	I/h	cc/m	SCFH	Nm³/h	
1/2	15	4	15	200	40	1	
		6	20	300	60	2	
		10	40	400	100	3	
		15	60	600	150	4	
		20	80	1000	200	6	
		30	120	2000	300	8	
		40	150	3000	400	10	
		60	240	4000			
		100	400	6000			



Curve A - Bronze Bellows Curve B – Monel, SS, Inconel Bellows

# **Selecting Meters for Liquid Service**

The **Flo-Gage™** can be used to meter flow rates of a wide variety of liquids including water, fuel oils (#2 through #6), lubricants, solvents and many chemical compounds.

For best accuracy, select a flow rate which will permit normal operation in the upper half of the meter scale.

To choose the proper meter, select pipe size and full scale flow rate from the chart of "Standard Flow Rates and Body Sizes".

# **Selecting Meters for Compressed Gas Service**

The Flo-Gage™ can be used to measure flow rates of various gases such as air, nitrogen, oxygen, carbon dioxide, hydrogen, propane, methane (natural gas), argon, helium, sulfur dioxide, etc.

To insure satisfactory operation, pressure should be not less than **10 psig** at the meter inlet.

### **Minimum Flow Rates**

The minimum flow rate which can be read is **approximately 15% of the full scale flow rate** for all meters. For best accuracy, select a flow rate which will permit normal operation in the upper half of the meter scale.

### Installation Guidelines

Provide 10 diameters of straight pipe in front of meter. Install control valves or solenoid valves downstream of meter if possible.

### **Services Not Recommended**

Flo-Gages are **not** recommended for the following kinds of service:

- a) Resins, paints or monomers which can form solid deposits in the piping system.
- b) "Super-solvents" which attack most available elastomers.
- c) Sulfuric acid in any concentration.
- d) Foams which tend to have inconsistent densities.
- e) Toxic substances requiring hermetically sealed enclosures.
- f) Fluids with viscosity above 500 centipoise.
- g) Pumping systems using piston pumps which produce non-steady flow conditions.
- h) Gravity-fed systems having less head than the pressure loss across the meter at normal operating conditions.



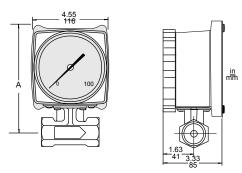
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### **Dimensions**

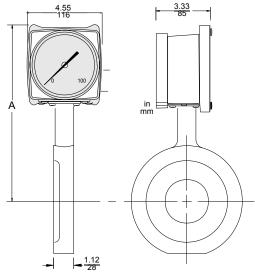
Nomina I Size		Series	_	Series 8000 A		
in	mm	in	mm	in	mm	
1/4	80	5.95	151	n/a	n/a	
1/2	15	5.95	151	6.62	168	
3/4	20	5.95	151	7.06	179	
1	25	6.07	154	7.25	184	
1-1/2	40	6.39	162	7.81	198	
2	50	6.80	172	8.00	203	
2 1/2	65	n/a	n/a	8.54	217	
3	80	7.48	190	8.87	225	
4	100	n/a	n/a	9.95	252	
5	125	n/a	n/a	10.36	263	
6	150	n/a	n/a	11.05	280	
8	200	n/a	n/a	12.30	311	

Note: Dimensions are based on bronze meter.

# Series 7000 Flo-Gage



# Series 8000 Flo-Gage



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