



Viewline Instrument Kit Installation Instructions

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Read these instructions thoroughly before installation. Do not deviate from assembly or wiring diagram. Always disconnect battery ground before making any electrical connections.

IMPORTANT: Mounting dimensions vary for different gauges. Please be certain to follow the instructions for your specific gauge.

Kit Contents:

(1) 120mph electronic speedometer
(1) 8,000 RPM tachometer (6 gauge kits, only)
(1) 250F Temperature gauge
(1) 80 PSI oil pressure gauge
(1) E-F fuel gauge
(1) 8-16V voltmeter
(1) Oil pressure sender with integrated low pressure switch **
(1) Coolant temperature sender (1/8-18 NPTF threads)
(1) High coolant temperature switch (3/8-27 NPTF threads)
(1) Fuel sender with low fuel switch
(1) Speedometer sender
(1) Brass adapter for temperature switch (3/8-18 NPTF to 1/2x18 NPTF)
(2) Brass adapter kits for temperature sender and oil pressure sender*
(2) Momentary on/off buttons(1 button in 5 gauge kits)
(6) 8 Pin Wire Harnesses
(2)10 Pin Wire Harnesses
(1) Instrument Kit Installation Instructions
(1) Fuel Sender Installation Instructions

*Adapters are 1/4 inch, 3/8 inch and 1/2 inch. Engines requiring metric adapters, including Chevy LS1, use adapter kit 240 904, sold separately

**Some kits will substitute the pressure sender/switch with a separate oil pressure sender and separate low pressure switch

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Important Installation Notes:

All Black ground wires **must** be grounded to a chassis point that is not a shared ground with other electronics. Failure to ground to chassis or failure to isolate from other electronics (such as radio, engine computer, electric fans) **will** result in inaccurate gauge readings and possible instrument damage.



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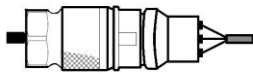
NOTE: The push-button supplied is to be used as a:
a) **Configuration** button to set up the speedometer before use (to tan wire of supplied harness, and to ground). This is a temporary connection.
b) **Mode** button for operation of the speedometer during normal use (to light blue wire of supplied harness and +12V switched). This will be the permanent connection.

Gauge Installation:

1. Select the desired mounting location of the instrument.
2. Depending on your mounting situation it might be necessary to configure/program the speedometer before installation.
3. Mount the gauge and secure with the VDO Spin-Lok™ Clamp.

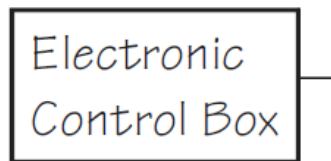
Wiring the Gauge (Illustrations A & B):

- a) Speedometer signal source to open connection of 8 pin connector of supplied harness. Signal source can be Hall Effect sender (included), or original equipment electronic control box.



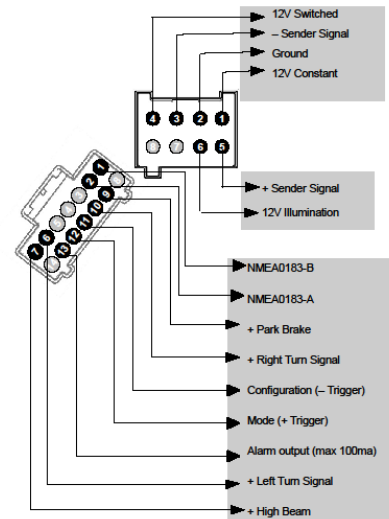
Included Hall Effect Sender (GM version shown)

OR



Optional hookup to the output wire of most electronically controlled transmissions. Connect output wire to open location, used for White Speedometer Sender Wire.

NOTE: Speedometer cannot be hooked up directly to an OEM 2 wire VSS (Vehicle Speed Sensor)!



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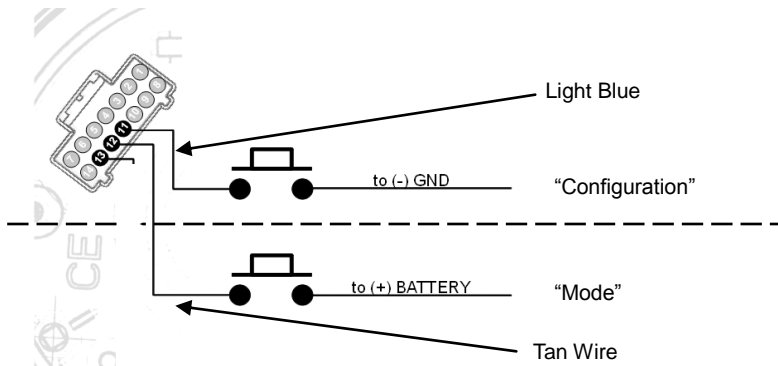
Programming the Speedometer (Illustration C):

Operation Basics:

Short Press (< 2sec.) - Long Press (> 2sec.)

The Configuration button must be connected before programming can be done.

The display will return to normal operation if a button is not pressed for 30 seconds. Any settings you have made will not be saved.



Setting the Speedometer Input:

1. With the ignition switch off, hold in the Configuration button
2. Turn ignition on
3. Release the Configuration button
4. "INPUT" will appear on the display
5. Long press to get to the Input setting screen
6. Short press to cycle through "FREQUE" or "NMEA"

NOTE: NMEA input requires no calibration.

7. Select "FREQUE", then long press to exit input setting
8. "INPUT" will appear on the display

Calibrating the Speedometer (FREQUE Input) – Auto-calibration or Manual

Auto-calibration (Autocl):

The auto-calibration function can be used successfully on a road with the distance of one mile accurately designated. The road does not have to be straight.

1. While in configuration mode (Refer to step 1-8 above)
2. Short press to get to the "Autocl" setting screen.
3. Long Press to enter the Autocal menu- "button" will appear.
4. When you are ready to begin your calibration run, short press the button again. "000000" will appear on the display.
5. Drive the reference distance of one mile (or 1 kilometer). NOTE: As you drive this distance, the pulses will be displayed and the needle will move. If the Speedo is not counting pulses, no useable impulse is being detected.
6. After 1 mile (or 1 km), Short press. The number of pulses counted during the calibration run will be displayed.
7. Long press to save the pulse count and exit the auto-calibration ("PULSE" will appear on the display).
7. Turn off ignition. The speedometer is now programmed.

Manual Calibration:

1. While in configuration mode (Refer to step 1-8 above)
2. Short press twice - "PULSE" will appear on the display
3. Long press to get to the pulse setting screen

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- Short press will increase the value of the flashing number by 1.
- Long press to move to the next position.
- Continue until right most digit is set.
- Long press to exit pulse setting.
- "PULSE" will appear on the display.
- Turn off ignition.

The Speedometer is now programmed. The button can be disconnected and rewired from "Configuration" to "Mode".

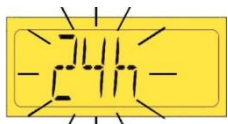
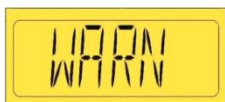


If you ever need to reprogram your speedometer, you will need to reuse the tan wire. It is recommended that you do not cut the wire. Tie wrap and secure the wire where it will not interfere with vehicle operation.

Set Unit and Alarm Threshold:

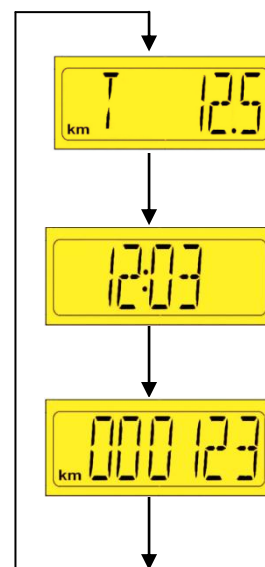
- With the ignition switch off, hold in the Mode button
- Turn ignition on
- Release the Mode button
- "UNIT" will appear
- Long press to enter UNIT menu
- Short press to change the clock format. 12 hour am/pm - 24 hour
- Long press to return to UNIT menu
- Short press to show "WARN" on the display
- Long press to enter WARNING menu
- Short press to set Speed warning limit.
- Short press will increase the value of the flashing number by 1 - Long press will move to the next position
- Continue until right most digit is set.
- Long press to exit.
- Turn off ignition.

The Warning Icon in the gauge will illuminate when the Speed exceeds this limit.



Mode Button:

In normal operating situations, Short press of the MODE button will cycle through:



Reset the Trip Distance:

- Press the Mode key repeatedly until the trip distance is displayed.



- Press and hold Mode key to reset.



Setting the Time:

- Press the Mode key repeatedly until the clock is displayed.
- Long press the Mode button to enter clock set mode.

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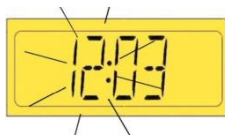
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3. Short press will increase the value of the flashing number by 1



4. Long press to move to the next position
5. When finished, Long Press to return to clock display

Note: If battery is disconnected, the clock will need to be reset.

Set the Illumination intensity (1 to 10):

1. Long press the Mode button while the Odometer is displayed to enter Illumination setting.



2. Short Presses will increase the value of the flashing number by 1.



3. Long press to save the Illumination setting and return to the Odometer display screen.

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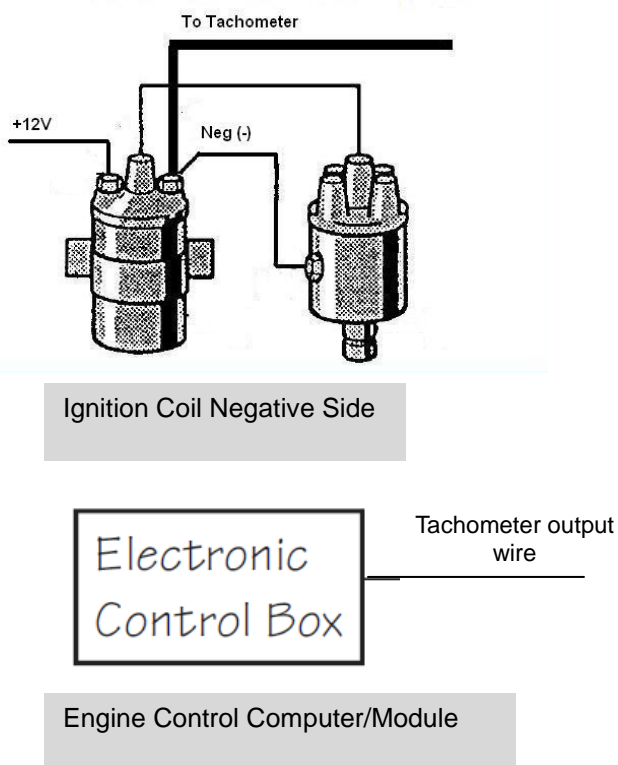
Tachometer (6 Gauge Kits Only)

Gauge Installation:

1. Select the desired mounting location of the instrument.
2. Depending on your mounting situations it might be necessary to configure the gauge before installation.
3. Mount the gauge and secure with the VDO Spin-Lok™ Clamp.

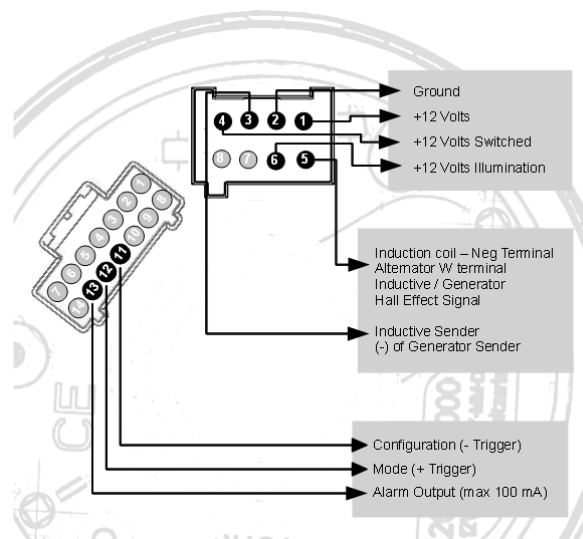
Wiring the Gauge (Illustration D):

- b) Tachometer signal source to the purple lead wire. Signal source can be: the Ignition Coil (negative terminal), Alternator W terminal, Inductive Generator, or the tachometer output wire of some Engine Control Modules
- c) Signal source examples:



NOTE: The push-button supplied is to be used as a:

- a) **Configuration** button to set up the tachometer before use (dark blue wire of supplied harness and to ground). This is a temporary connection.
- b) **Mode** button for operation of the tachometer during normal use (grey wire of supplied harness and to +12V switched). This will be a permanent connection.



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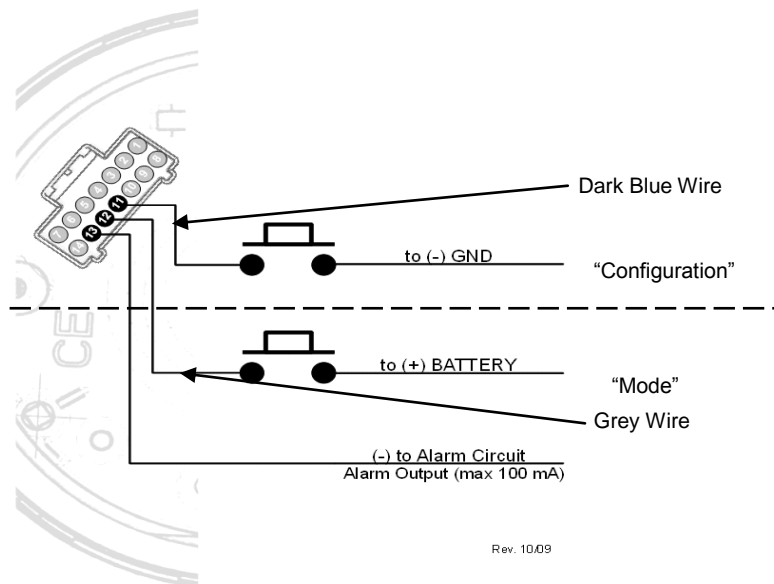
Programming the Tachometer (Illustration E):

Operation Basics:

Short Press (< 2sec.) - Long Press (> 2sec.)

The Configuration button must be connected before programming can be done.

The display will return to normal operation if a button is not pressed for 30 seconds. Any settings you have made will not be saved.



Setting the Pulses per Revolution: (0.5 to 399.9 pulses)

If you are using the negative side of the ignition coil as the signal source for the tachometer, the number of pulses is (in most applications) $\frac{1}{2}$ the number of cylinders:

Most 4 cylinder applications = 2 pulses/revolution

Most 6 cylinder applications = 3 pulses/revolution

Most 8 cylinder applications = 4 pulses/revolution

If you are using the Engine Control Module for the signal source, consult the manufacturer's documentation for the number of pulses.

1. With the ignition switch off, hold in the Configuration button.
2. Turn ignition on.
3. Release the Configuration button.
4. "PULSE" will appear on the display.
5. Long press to get to the pulse setting screen.
6. Short press will increase the value of the flashing number by 1.
7. Long press to move to the next position.
8. Long press to exit pulse setting.
9. "PULSE" will appear on the display.
10. Turn off ignition.



If you ever need to reprogram you tachometer, you will need to reuse the dark blue wire. It is recommended that you do not cut the wire. Tie wrap and secure the wire where it will not interfere with vehicle operation.

Set Unit and Alarm Threshold:

1. With the ignition switch off, hold in the Mode button
2. Turn ignition on.
3. Release the Mode button.
4. "UNIT" will appear.
5. Long press to enter UNIT menu.
6. Short press to change the clock format. 12 hour am/pm - 24 hour.
7. Long press to return to UNIT menu.
8. Short press to show "WARN" on the display.
9. Long press to enter WARNING menu.
10. Short press to set RPM warning limit.

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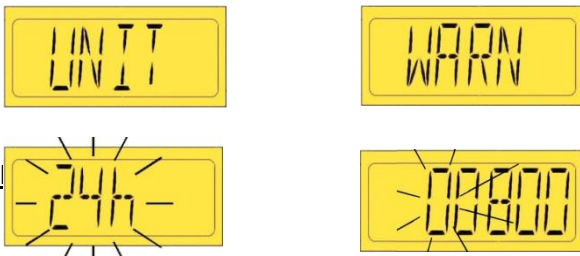
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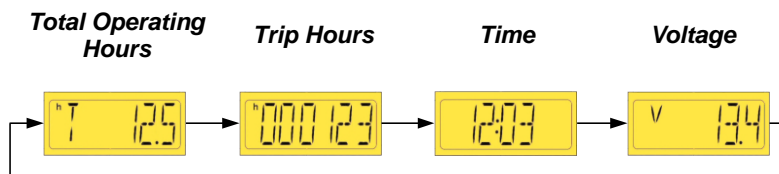
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11. Short press will increase the value of the flashing number by 1 - Long press will move to the next position.
12. Continue until right most digit is set.
13. Long press to exit.
14. Turn off ignition.

The Warning Icon in the gauge will illuminate and the Alarm Output will trigger to ground when the RPM's exceed this limit.



In normal operating situations, short press of the MODE button will cycle through;



Reset the Trip Operating Hours:

1. Press the Mode key repeatedly until the trip hours are displayed.
2. Press and hold Mode key to reset.

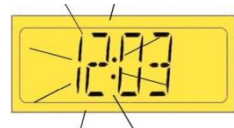


Setting the Time:

1. Press the Mode key repeatedly until the clock is displayed.



2. Long press the Mode button to enter clock set mode.



3. Short press will increase the value of the flashing number by 1.
4. Long press to move to the next position.
5. When finished, long Press to return to clock display.

Note : If battery is disconnected, the clock will need to be reset.

Set the Illumination intensity:

1. Long press the Mode button while the Voltage is displayed to enter Illumination setting.



2. Short Presses will increase the value of the flashing number by 1.
3. Long press to save the Illumination setting and return to the Voltage display screen.

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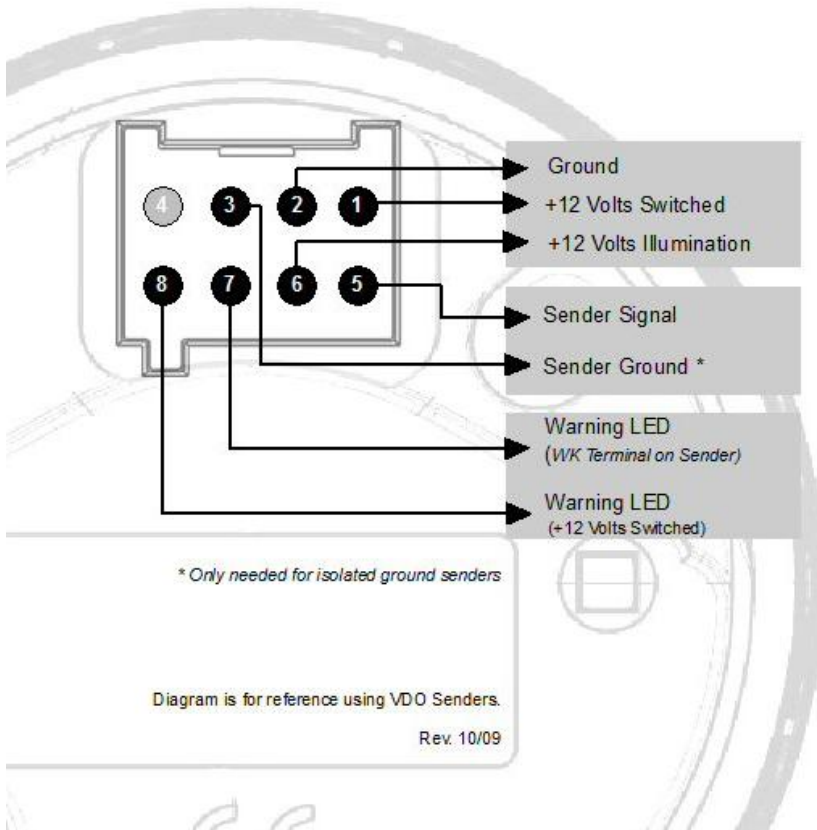
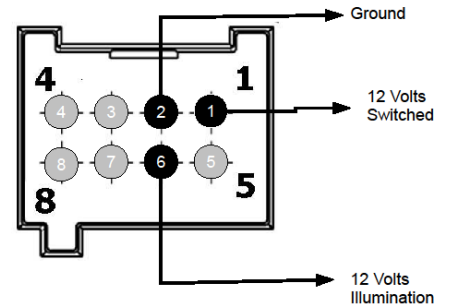
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Voltmeter, Oil Pressure, Water Temperature & Fuel

Gauge Installation:

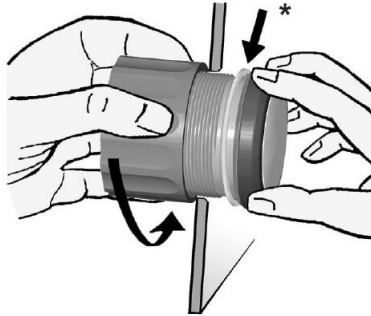
1. Select the desired mounting location of the instrument.
2. Mount the gauge and secure with the VDO Spin-Lok™ Clamp.



52mm

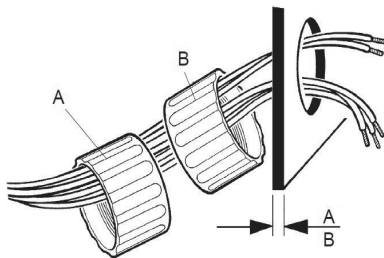
Conventional (Included)

Instrument is put into the drilled hole from the front. The maximum panel thickness is 20mm. The drilled hole must have a diameter of 53mm.



* Make sure the seal lays flat between the panel and the front ring.

For 52mm instruments, the Spin-Lok™ nut can be mounted at position A or B. This allows you two clamping depths.

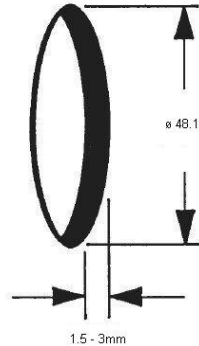


Version A
10mm

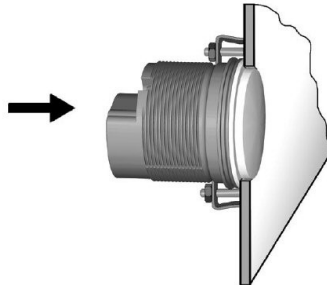
Version B
20mm

Flush (Optional)

When flush mounting (i. e., from the back so that the instrument glass and the panel form one plane), the front ring must be removed. Press on the instrument glass with both thumbs, while at the same time pulling the front ring forward from the instrument with both index fingers.



The recommended panel thickness is 1.5 to 3 mm. The drill hole must have a diameter of 48.1mm. Ensure that the installation location is level and has no sharp edges.

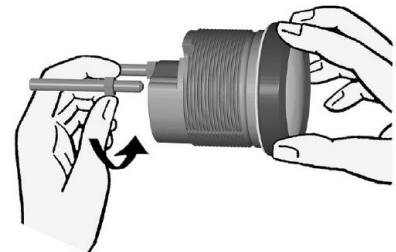


Place the flush mount seal on the instrument glass. Put the instrument into the drill hole from the back. Adjust the instrument so that the gauge is level and fasten it to the stud bolts (not included) on the rear side of the panel, using the flush mount fixing brackets.

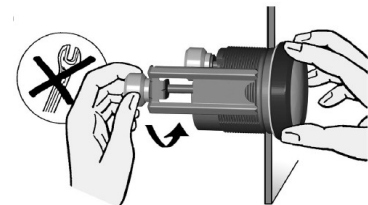
Stud (Optional)

If you would like to omit the fastening nut, you may use the stud mount as an alternative. This is recommended if the installation location is subject to extreme vibrations.

Screw the stud bolts into the drilled holes on the rear of the instrument housing. Max. stud bolt torque is 1.5Nm.



Place the bracket on the stud bolt and tighten the knurled nut. Do not over-tighten.

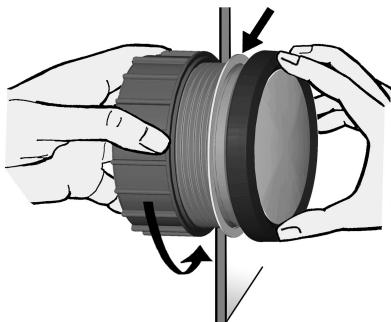


* Make sure the seal lays flat between the panel and the front ring.

85mm

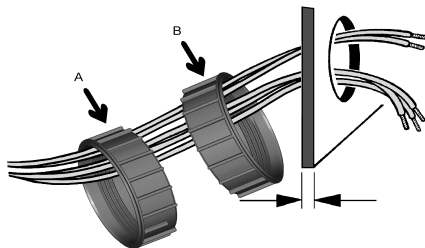
Conventional (Included)

Instrument is put into the drilled hole from the front. The maximum panel thickness is 20mm. The drilled hole must have a diameter of 86mm.



* Make sure the seal lays flat between the panel and the front ring.

For 85mm instruments, the Spin-Lok™ nut can be mounted at position A or B. This allows you two clamping depths.

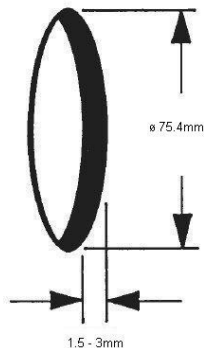


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10mm

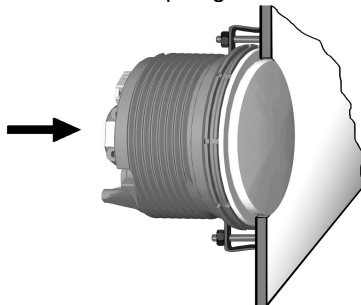
Version B
20mm

Flush (Optional)

When flush mounting (i. e., from the back so that the instrument glass and the panel form one plane), the front ring must be removed. Press on the instrument glass with both thumbs, while at the same time pulling the front ring forward from the instrument with both index fingers.



The recommended panel thickness is 1.5 to 3 mm. The drill hole must have a diameter of 75.4mm. Ensure that the installation location is level and has no sharp edges.

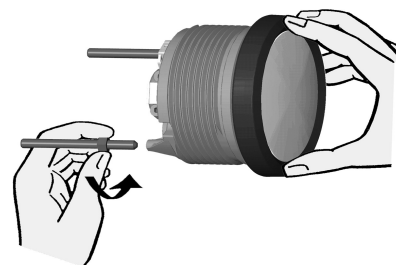


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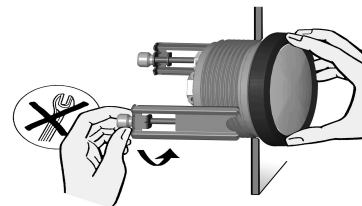
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