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ALARM

INSTALLATION,
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**Separators And Alarms Should Be
Serviced And Maintained In Accordance
With BS EN 858-2**

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Universal Tank Alarm Type 14400

Installation, Operation and Maintenance

➤ Declaration of Conformity

Name and Address of Manufacturer	Darcy Products Ltd. Brook House Larkfield Trading Estate New Hythe Lane Larkfield, Kent ME20 6GN
Valid for European Directives:	2014/34/EU
Equipment Name and Type	14400 series Universal Tank Alarm
Certificate Number	Baseefa 13ATEX0172
Specific Marking of Explosion Protection	[Ex ia Ga] IIB (-20°C ≤ Ta ≤ +50°C)
ATEX Directive Marking	Ex II (1) G
Notified Body	SGS Baseefa 1180 Buxton UK
CE Mark with Notified Body Number	CE ₁₁₈₀
Harmonised Standards Used	EN 60079-0:2018 EN 60079-11:2012
Serial Number and Year of Manufacture	Displayed underneath the control unit
On behalf of the above-named company, I declare that, on the date the equipment accompanied by this declaration is placed on the market, the equipment conforms with all technical and regulatory requirements of the above listed directives.	
Jurgen Fenney – Quality Manager	
J Fenney	DATED: 07/11/23

➤ IMPORTANT

Note: In all cases good, standard electrical practice should be followed, and the installation must conform to the appropriate local code of practice – e.g. BS EN 60079-25 in the UK. In essence, the installation must be such that the intrinsic safety is not compromised by: - exposure to risk of mechanical damage, unauthorised modification or interference, exposure to moisture, dust and foreign bodies, excessive heat, invasion of intrinsically safe circuit by other electrical equipment or circuitry. Please contact Darcy for any advice on 0800 0370 899.

➤ General Description

The unit is designed to monitor a tank for a build-up of oil and sound an alarm and flash a xenon beacon when oil is detected.

➤ General Operation

The unit continuously checks for the presence of oil at the probe by measuring conductivity, however a float switch probe may be used. The probe is normally submersed in water and the LED on the unit will be green. When there is a sufficient build-up of oil at the surface that covers the conductivity probe, a sounder inside the unit sounds intermittently and the attached xenon beacon flashes. The LED on the unit turns red. To silence the sounder and stop the xenon beacon flashing, press the button on the unit. The LED will remain red until the probe detects water once again.

➤ Installation

This product has been designed and certified as being intrinsically safe. It is of paramount importance that the unit should not be modified in any way and the installation be carried out by an approved installer, in accordance with the Environment Agency guidelines (PPG3). Any deviation from this could invalidate the certification warranty and render the unit unsafe for its intended use.

➤ Technical Information

➤ Specifications

Enclosure	180mm(W) 130mm(H) 60.5mm(D) IP66/67 ABS
Supply Voltage	230VAC \pm 10%, 50/60Hz
Power Consumption	No alarm (Beeper and beacon inactive) 2W, 5.1VA, 0.02A, $\cos \phi = 0.41$ Alarm (Beeper and beacon active) 4.2W, 5.9VA, 0.02A, $\cos \phi = 0.71$
Galvanic isolation CN1 to CN2 / CN3	Safe electrical isolation acc. to EN 60079-11, voltage peak value 358V
Fusing	FS1 T 250mA H 250V 1500A breaking capacity

	FS2	Littelfuse 0242.050UAT1 50mA 250V 4000A breaking capacity
Max probe cable length		200m (less if values in Table 3 would be exceeded)
Beacon Output (CN2)		11.2V DC, 100mA maximum

Table 1 - Specifications

➤ **Beacon Output**

The beacon output, CN2, must only be connected to a beacon. See notes below for restrictions on its use.

This output is activated when the probe detects a build-up of oil and is deactivated again by pressing the button on the unit.

Notes on the beacon output:

1. $U_m = 0$, i.e. no other source of power must ever be connected directly or indirectly to this output.
2. Cable used must have ≥ 1 mm insulation and be ≤ 2 m length.
3. Must only be connected to a beacon which is powered entirely from this unit, i.e. this output must not be used as a control signal to a beacon that has its own power supply.
4. The beacon must be isolated from earth.

➤ **Input/Output Parameters**

U_o	15.8V
I_o	175 μ A
P_o	< 1mW
C_i	0
L_i	0

Table 2 - Hazardous Area Terminals (CN3)

Group	Capacitance (μ F)	Inductance (mH) OR	L/R Ratio (mH/ Ω)
IIB	2.88	1000	205
IIA	11.6	1000	410

Table 3 – CN3 Load Parameters

➤ **Probe Cables**

The total capacitance and inductance of the cable used between the tank alarm unit and the probe must not exceed that shown in Table 3.

➤ **Mechanical**

Protection and/or screening of the cable should be taken into account when choosing a suitable cable. The maximum cable length between the probes and the tank alarm unit must not exceed 200 metres, or less if the values in Table 3 would be exceeded.

➤ **Probe Terminals**

Probe Type	A	B
High Oil	RED	BLUE

Table 4 - Probe Cable Connection Details (CN3)

➤ **Beacon Terminals**

CN2 Terminal	Connect To
+	Beacon positive terminal
-	Beacon negative terminal

Table 5 - Beacon Cable Connection Details (CN2)

➤ **Accessories**

➤ **Probe Cable**

Whilst many different cables can be suitable for use with the probe, some customers feel more comfortable with some guidance. A typical example of a suitable cable is shown in Table 6. It can be ordered from Darcy or from Farnell (<http://www.farnell.com>) as order code 1503980.

Manufacturer	Lapp Kabel
Manufacturer Part No.	0012640
Inductance	0.65mH/km
Capacitance	Core-core: approx. 135nF/km Core-screen: approx. 185nF/km

Table 6 - Typical Probe Cable

➤ **Beacon**

A suitable 12V xenon beacon is detailed in Table 7. It can be ordered from Darcy or RS Components (<http://www.rs-components.com>) as order code 309-5944.

Manufacturer	Klaxon
Manufacturer Part No.	45-713121
Voltage	12V
Current	60mA (average)
Colour	Amber
IP Rating	IP65

Table 7 – Beacon Specifications

➤ **Maintenance and Repair**

For all repairs, contact Darcy Spillcare Manufacture on 0800 0370 899.

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