Microprocessor Interface Controller Safety Card Flowmeter to Computer / PLC batch plants up to 8 channels

DATASHEET

24VDC Powered Model with 24VDC I/O and 5-24VDC Pulse Output

FEATURES

- Up to 4 Dual-Channel Modules (DCMs) can be mounted on Motherboard, for the creation of a 2, 4, 6, or 8 channel unit.
- All parameters and entries are fully programmable via a plug-in hand held keypad.
- Pulse Comparator for optional Dual Flowmeter system.
- V1.8 software: can de-select the comparator function, so that each channel shows the reading from one flowmeter only.
- Dual Display Counters for each channel (for Comparator function).
- Input Pulse scalable for use with most types of Flowmeters.
- All display readouts in Litres to 3 decimal places, with instantaneous flowrate display reading.
- Accumulated batch totals (grand totals) for inventory records.
- Initial Start and Pulsefail Safety.
- Low and High Flow range settings. Pulsefail Safety safeguards against exceeding flowmeter operating ranges.
- Maximum pulse output frequency alarm, for PLC input safety.
- Maximum Batch Limit Safety.
- Output Pulse Division to PLC/Computer scalable.
- 5 to 24 VDC pulse switching. 24VDC Input/Output control relays.
- 24VDC powered (Use atleast a 3 Amps to power the unit)
- Manual Batch facility, with Disable option.
- Master Audible alarm function
- Alarm condition for leaky check valves (back flow).
- Can be used for NEW water channels with V1.9 firmware (upto 9000 ltrs.max).





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Simultaneous batching of all 8-channels without any sequencing requirements of starts.

INTRODUCTION

The ME2008 is a microprocessor-based batch safety interface card for management of flowmetering admixture liquids in the concrete production industries. It's design is at the request and requirement of suppliers/producers/users of construction chemical products. The software incorporates safety features designed to cover, detect and warn for most flowmetering faults during/after the batch cycle, making the flowmetering system one of the safest in the world. The ME2008 can be used with a wide range of signal output flowmeters in conjunction with a range of PLC/Computer auto batch systems. All message status functions are displayed at all times, and the settings are easily retrieved and displayed. This helps make the ME2008 very user-friendly. The unit consists of:

- 1x **MOTHERBOARD** (24VDC powered) complete with 8 individual pushbuttons for manual batch facility, along with a pushbutton to select (or scroll) menu functions, a button for manual reset of batch displays and a button for alarm muting (can be disabled), all enclosed in a wall/panel mount ABS enclosure.
- 1,2,3 or 4x **DUAL CHANNEL MODULE (DCM) plugable PCBs** with dual-line LCD displays with backlight.
- 1x Hand held **plug-in programmer** for entering parameters.

OPERATION

Flowmeters of various sizes can be connected to the inputs. ME2008 accepts 8 external start commands. It delivers DC low voltage (sink or source 5 to 24 VDC) pulses to a PLC/computer with optical isolation. The ME2008 controls and manages up to 8 admixture products / 8 flowmeters (or up to 16 flow meters, 2 per channel, if you utilize the comparator function).

ME2008 can be used as a manual pushbutton batch controller unit. This function can be disabled via a link for computer control only start operations. The handheld plug-in programmer is unplugged after all parameters have been setup.

When the PLC/Computer system starts, the ME2008 begins counting in millilitres, and the output pulses are retransmitted to the PLC/Computer input at the divided pulse value. A sophisticated safety management watches for any malfunction in the system, flowmeter or batch computer during the batch cycle. If a fault is detected, the ME2008 will override and shutdown the faulty channel, and give alarm warnings. The computer provides auto reset at completion of batch, reseting all counters. All activity is logged on grand totalisers for inventory management data. Also included is an instantaneous flowrate reading per channel, which indicates if the operating range of each flowmeter is exceeded.

INSTALLATION

Find an appropriate position to mount the ME2008 housing box, preferably within visual distance to operator. Using flexible wires, wire the ME2008 according to the diagrams:

- Figure 1A on page 3
- Figure 2. Motherboard Wiring Diagram, on page 4
- Figure 3. Dual Channel Module (DCM), on page 4
- Figure 4. Dual Module (DCM) wiring, on page 5

The normal order of connections is:

- Connect the <u>computer's</u> or a <u>dedicated</u> 24VDC power supply rated <u>to at least 3 Amps</u> module to the positive (+) and negative (-) 24VDC to the Motherboard power input <u>X5 plug</u> (4-pin green coloured plug) –<u>only top two pins used</u>. (see Figure 3, Page 4). Connect from the minus (-) rail a master earth wire to enhance any noise immunity and smooth out any ripple supply voltages. (note: the power supply output must have proper DC regulation).
- 2. Connect the <u>computer's</u> **24VDC** <u>Reset</u> control signal to the <u>top pin only (marked RST)</u> of the Motherboard <u>X1 plug</u> (3-pin green coloured plug). (see Figure 3,Page 4)
- 3. Using shielded cable, connect flowmeters (with no earthing on the bodies of the flowmeters) to the ME2008's Dual Channel Modules (DCMs), as shown in

Figure 3 and Figure 4 (pages 4 and 5) .

Use minimum 2-core shielded cable per flowmeter to the DCM's <u>X4 plug</u> (6-pin, green coloured). If using one flowmeter per channel, use <u>Pulse 1A</u> and <u>Pulse 2A</u>, and <u>+12 VDC</u> and <u>S (Shield) = 0.V.</u> which are both common for flowmeters. (1 x 6pin green plug connector per channel).

NOTE: **<u>B</u>** pulse inputs are used for dual flowmeters per channel for Comparator function.

If NOT using comparator dual flowmeters, then bridge <u>pulse 1A</u> to pulse 1B, and bridge <u>pulse 2A</u> to 2B.

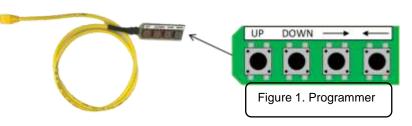
If equipped with software <u>V1.8 or higher</u> then set "Diff. Channels" = "1" and NO need to bridge out. (see Page 7,no.13) (V1.9 for WATER Channel type).

- 4. (a) For first channel:
 - connect the 24 VDC START signal from PLC/Computer to the DCM X2 plug (6-pin, black coloured), pin S1.
 - connect the 24 VDC ACTIVE side of the contactor coil to DCM X2 plug, pin R1. Connect negative side of contactor to the DC power supply negative (see Error! Reference source not found., Page Error! Bookmark not defined.).
 (b) Similarly connect for the second channel, using DCM X2 plug pins S2 and R2.
 - (c) For low voltage DC (5 24 VDC) pulse output to the PLC/Computer, connect the DCM <u>X3 plug</u> (4-pin white coloured, <u>C1 = Collector, E1 = Emitter</u> for Channel 1 and then <u>c2/e2</u> for Channel 2 to the PLC/Computer's pulse input. (see Figure 4,Page 4 and Figure 5,Page 5).

REPEAT Same procedures for up to all 4 modules.

- 5. As shown in Figure 5 on page 5, for DC control logic the DCM is fitted with **4N33 5 24VDC OPTOs** marked as U3 and U4. (note the placing position.)
- 6. **To disable the front MANUAL batch pushbuttons**, remove link **LK1** located on motherboard near the Alarm buzzer (see Figure 2 on page 4). This will avoid misuse of manual starts. The other manual functions "Select", "Mute" and "Reset" will be still fully functional. Plug-in LK1 to re-activate manual batch functions.
- 7. The entry of program parameter data is achieved with a 4-button keypad programmer (see Figure 1 Figure 1. Programmer) that is plugged onto the 5-pin inline Data Entry Plug-In plug rail located on each Dual Channel Module (as shown in **Figure** 3 on page 4). The programmer plug is keyed so that it can only be plugged in the correct way.





Each Dual Channel Module (DCM) is programmed one at a time. Plug the Programmer into the DCM to be programmed (the programming plug location is shown in (Fig.3 on page 4).

If equipped with external programming panel (8CAT5E for 8 channel), connect the programmer CAT5E plug to the external panel with marked channels 1 to 8 (2 channels per terminal). As above.

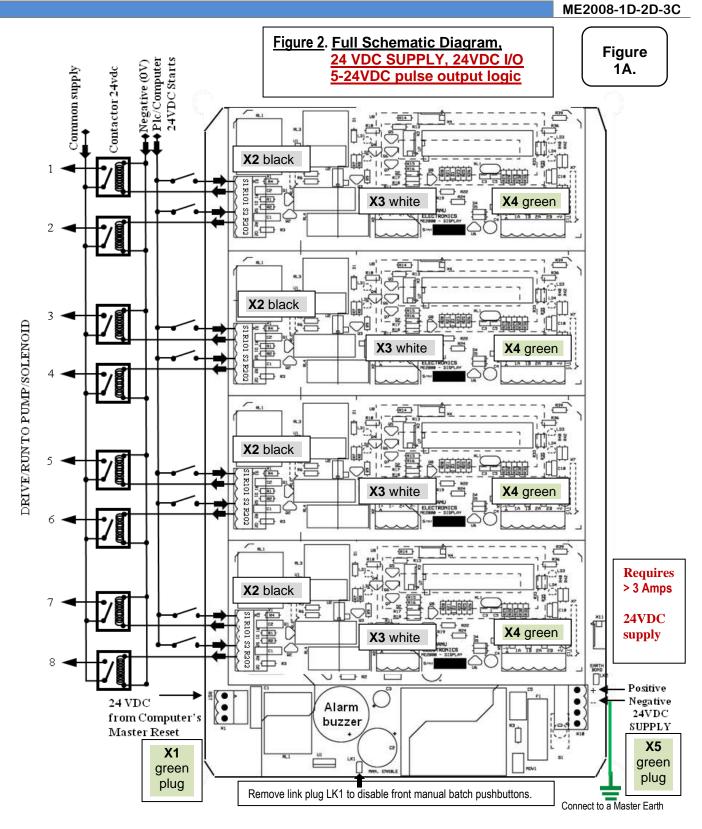
To start programming, push either arrow button ($\rightarrow \leftarrow$) on the Programmer. Cursor (digit) will flash on the DCM display. Push UP or DOWN to change numeric values. Push arrows to scroll through the individual numeric settings. Once

programming is completed, push either arrow button ($\rightarrow \leftarrow$) until no digits are blinking, data is now entered into memory. Unplug the Programmer, then plug it in to the next module and repeat data entry to programme another module.

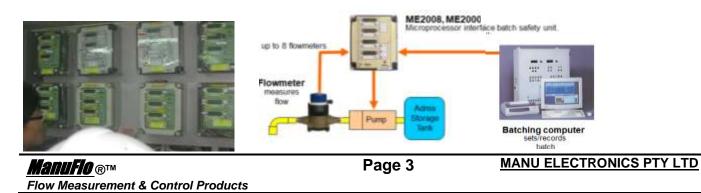
See <u>OPERATING INSTRUCTIONS</u> on page 7, for program menu display and description. Note: For guide to entering complete data safety features for each flowmeter type, see Flowmeters Data Guide on page 11.

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REQUIRES: Requires a minimum 3 Amps > rated external power supply.



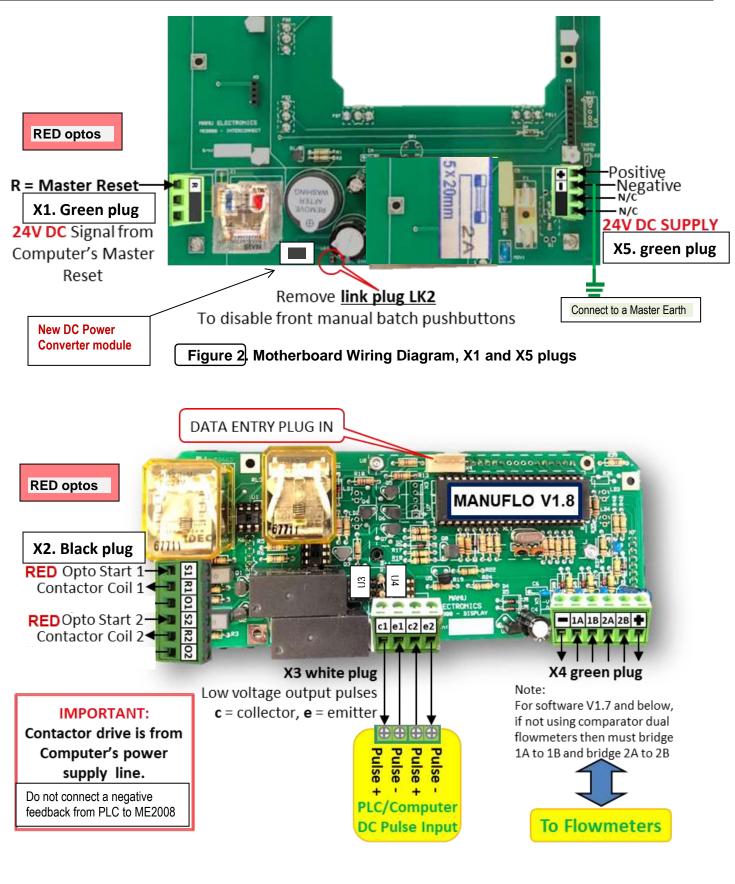
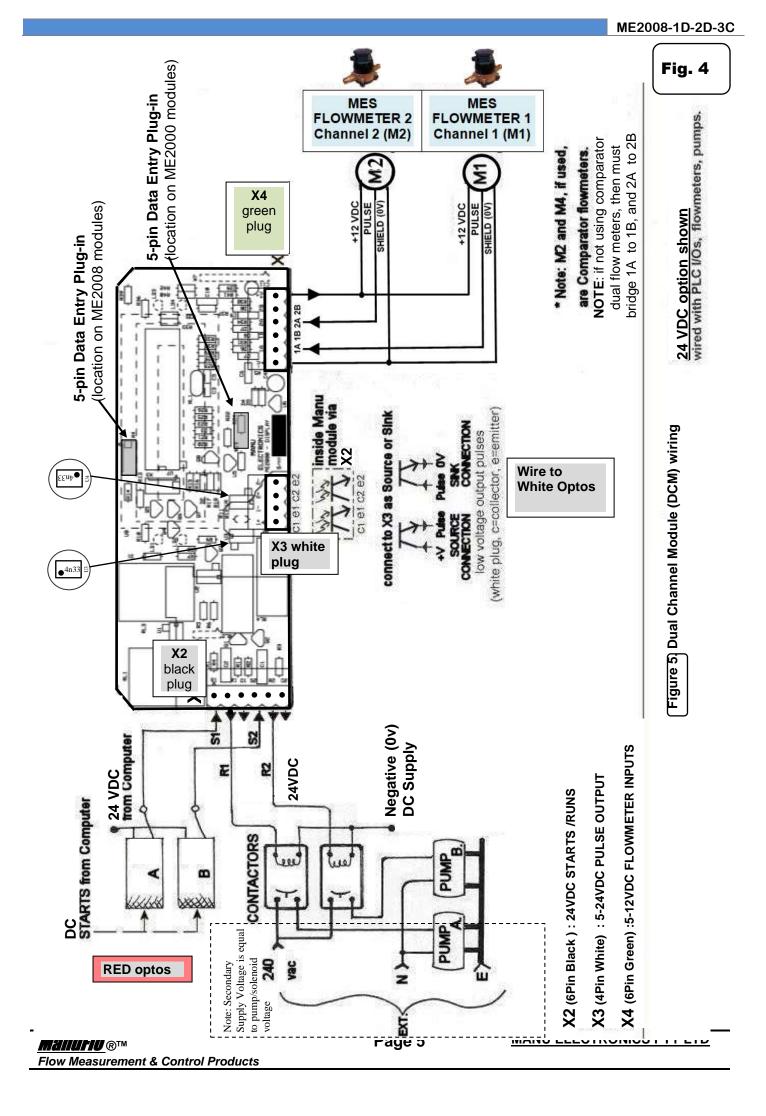
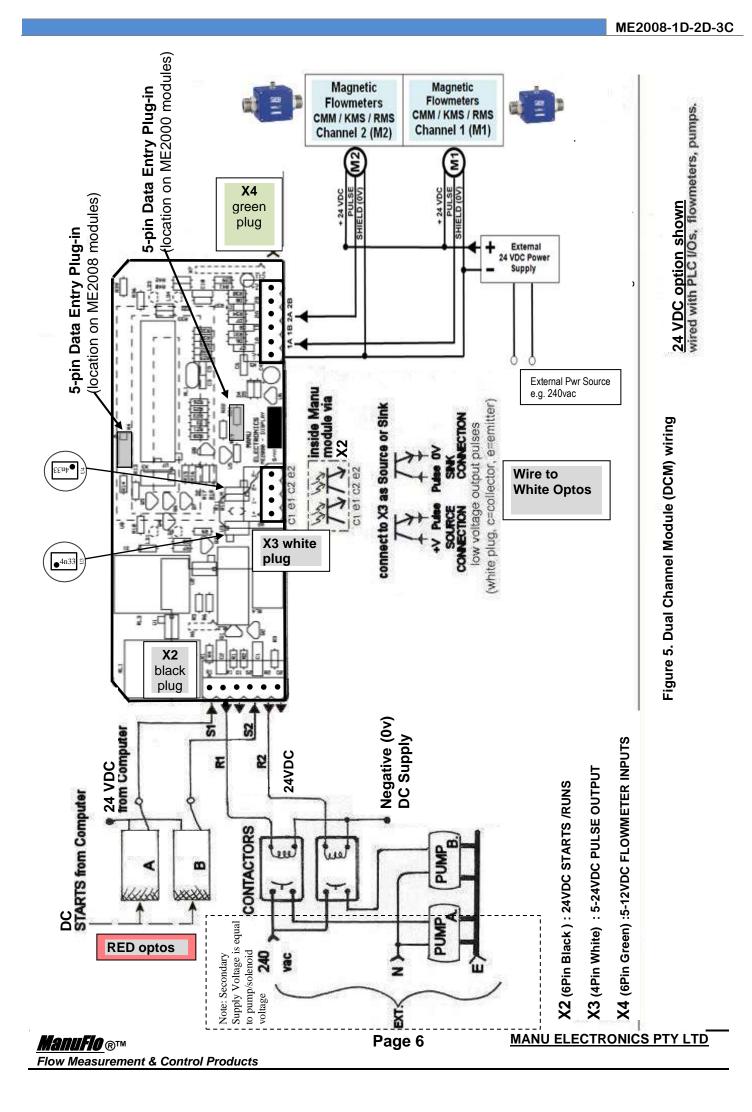


Figure 3. Dual Channel Module (DCM)

Note: Dual Channel Modules for the ME2008 and ME2000 have slightly different component layouts (the most obvious is the Data Entry Plug-in location) but the boards are functionally equivalent and are interchangeable.

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OPERATING INSTRUCTIONS

* Switch on power to the ME2000 interface safety unit. * Scroll through the settings by pressing SELECT. Refer to the Display Diagram below for procedures and settings of required parameters. * See "Flowmeter Data Guide" on page 11 for recommended data for each flowmeter type/size characteristics/flowrates.



 \Rightarrow Power On:







 \Rightarrow 1. Push Select:

000.000	000.000	Batching function display in "LITRES" to 3 decimal places. At anytime you can skip functions and return to normal by pushing
000.000	000.000	RESET (You cannot reset while pumping is in progress).

 \Rightarrow 2. Push Select:

Flow	(I/s)	
000.000	000.000	Flow Rate Function in Litres/second (to 3 decimal places).

 \Rightarrow 3. Push Select:

Total (I)		Grand Total accumulation. To reset: push 2 buttons at once on 4-button programmer.
000000	000000	

 \Rightarrow 4. Push Select:

Input	(p/l)	K-factor / Calibration: sets pulse input value per litre, according to flowmeter used e.g.
1000.00	1000.00	MES20 1000pulses/litre, MES25 0555pulses/litre.

 \Rightarrow 5. Push Select:

Output (I/p)		Pulse Output Volume Value (Litres /pulse). Sets division of output pulses to suit computer/PLC.
00.010	00.010	Resolution from 1ml. Example shows 10ml. See also "Program Record Sheet" (page 12).

 \Rightarrow 6. Push Select:

Min. Flow (I/s)

Minimum flowrate

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00.010	00.010
001010	00.010

(set this according to flowmeters' recommended minimum). Pump will be stopped if the flowrate falls below this value. Previously known as <u>Pulsefail</u> in ME697, ME995/188 units.

 \Rightarrow 7. Push Select:

Max. Fl	ow (I/s)	Maximum flowrate (set this according to flowmeters' recommended maximum). Pump
01.000	01.000	will be stopped if the flowrate exceeds this value.

 \Rightarrow 8. Push Select:

Dose L	.imit (I)	Sets maximum acceptable limit per batch (overrides computer selection). If limit is reached,	
010.000	010.000	pump is stopped and "Overdose" warning will be displayed.	

 \Rightarrow 9. Push Select:

Max Bac	kflow (I)	The Backflow function raises an alert if the check (non-return) valves leak.
000.100	000.100	Set to the desired maximim allowance of backflow.

 \Rightarrow 10. Push Select:

Difference (%)	COMPARATOR (5% = \pm 2.5%) Optional Function. This function is used to compare 2 flowmeters in series.
05.0 05.0	If the flowmeters differ by more than the allowed percentage, the pump will be stopped and an alarm triggered.

 \Rightarrow 11. Push Select:

Start D	elay (s)	Start Delay is the time (in seconds) allowed for pump to start before the Pulse Fail safeties activate. After the Start Delay period, the	
02.0 02.0		safeties will shut down the pump drive if no flowmeter pulses are received.	

 \Rightarrow 12. Push Select:

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	Stop Delay is the time (in seconds) allowed for the pump to settle
02.0 02.0	after stopping, before back flow detection commences.

 \Rightarrow 13. Push Select: (Only available from software Version 1.8)

Diff. channels	Difference Channels : enables/disables the comparator function, for each channel of the two-channel module.
1 1	 When value is "1", the comparator is disabled, and the display for that channel shows the reading from the one flowmeter installed. When value is set to "2", the comparator is enabled, and the display for that channel shows the readings of two flowmeters installed in series.

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⇒ 14. H	Push Select:	Pata(Uz)	Aax Out Rate is the maximum allow	ed rate of output pulses to the
		Rate(Hz)	PLC/computer's input. If the maximu	im is exceeded, then the drive to
	00	40	pump contactors stops, the ME2008 the extra pulses to the PLC/Compute	
⇒ 15.F	Push Select:		40 Hz max. input rate) or to low scar This safeguards against any overdos does not capture all incoming pulses NOTE: (1) DO NOT SET THE MAX OUT RATE UNN the duty cycle of the pulses (i.e. will narrow th difficult for the receiving PLC to detect the pul Example: if the receiving PLC can only detect MAX OUT RATE to 40 and not to 100. (2) Extra pulses received (above the allowed measured by the flowmeter and ME2008, but fully counted by the PLC/Computer system. ("inflight overflow", where a DEDUCT value mis system to stop the pump earler). IMPORTANT: Some PLC/Computers via "White" optos have a pulse input the ME2008 to protect such systems values in the ME2008: * MAX OUT RATE to 40Hz or less for * OUTPUT (LITRES/PULSE) to a va operating flowrate, pulses to PLC/Computer the ME2008 will output 20 pulses/se PLC/Computer well below the 40Hz.	Arrate systems. Ses which could occur if PLC a. ECESSARILY HIGH, as this will affect the pulse width) which may make it lises. The pulses at a rate up to 40 Hz, then set rate) represent actual extra volume which would have otherwise not been This situation is different to actual ust be programmed in the computer as that accept DC input pulses frequency limit of 40 Hz, so for and prevent overdose, set or DC type; and lue so that, at your maximum omputer will not exceed 40Hz. Litres/minute, SE) = 0.050 (i.e. 50 mls/pulse), cond (i.e. < 20Hz) to the
		CTRONICS	Returns to intro display.	Noto: V/1 0 coffere is for
				Note: V1.9 softare is for Water channel options
	ME200)8 V1.8		
\Rightarrow 16. Push	n Reset:			
	000.000	000.000	Returns to the Batch function.	
			Display is in "LITRES" to 3 decimal p	blaces.

WARNING

Only after all products are batched, should totals be reset (does not affect accumulated totals). <u>All ME2000/2008 should be upgraded with the latest v1.8 software. Micro chips can be purchased & plugged-in.</u> **Before you leave the plant, you must take a VOLUMETRIC calibration of quantity dispensed and cross-reference with ME2008 readings !!!**

ALARM SAFETY STATUS

If any of the safety features are triggered, the relevant alarm will come on. The Display will indicate status of the channel that is in alarm condition (see message explanations on page 11). In this case, as a precaution the ME2008 will shut down pump drive of the faulty channel only, allowing for further examination of the problem.

SAFETY PROCEDURE IN EXAMINING THE PROBLEM

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If the alarm comes on, **DO NOT** push RESET immediately - just push MUTE to silence alarm, then observe display and take note of batch readings and alarm message. Address the problem if possible. WAIT for other channels to complete batch, then push RESET to be ready for the next batch.

✓ See Troubleshooting Guide on pages 12 - 13.

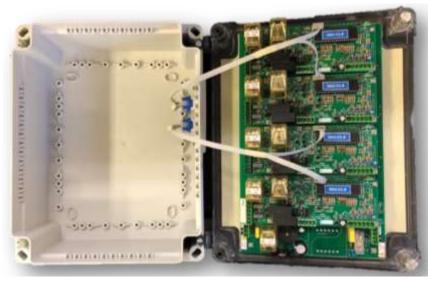
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ME2008 - SPECIFICATIONS

Display	One 2x16 character dot matrix backlit display per Dual Channel Module (DCM).			
Motherboard	Accepts up to 4 plug-in Dual Channel Modul			
Power Supply	24VDC via Motherboard X5 green plug. (S			
Current Draw	1.8 Amps max . (≥ 3 amp Power Supply Re			
Supply to Flowmeters	12 VDC (10mA per flowmeter), via DCM X4 green plug.			
Pulse Inputs	NPN sink pulse or Reed Switch pulses via D			
	module (4 for comparator). Input calibration	•		
	Most types of flowmeters can be connected	and calibrated.		
Input count speed	2 kHz maximum.			
Output pulses to computer	5-25 VDC sink/source pulse via 4N33 open			
	(7500V rms surge protection). All pulses are divide	ed via "Output Pulse Value" calibrator.		
Computer starts/runs	24 VDC via <u>DCM</u> <u>X2 black</u> plug.			
Computer reset	24 VDC via Motherboard X1 green plug.			
Manual Batch Commands	Starts: 8 momentary-hold push buttons for e			
	Master Reset: 1 pushbutton. MUTE: 1 pushb			
LED functions	"Output" (divided pulses) indicated via flashing			
	"Run" (manual starts/computer starts) indicated via illuminated LEDs.			
Power ON/OFF	Via "Power" switch.			
Wiring/Connection	Wired via cable mount plugs. DCM connected	ed via mated plugs, allows unplugging of		
	PCBs for easy replacement.			
Fuse	2.5 Amps. Fuse holder on motherboard. 20x			
Enclosure & Dimensions	IP58 ABS lid/box. Size: 310mm L x 245mm	W x 140mm D.		
Weight (with 3 modules)	2.6 kg			
Display Functions				
Operation	Via plug-in 4-button hand-held programm	ner.		
Volume displayed	In Litres, to 3 decimal places (smallest increa			
Flowrate display	In Litres per Second (I/s), to 3 decimal places.			
Grand Total	In total Litres (I),			
Input calibration	Pulses per Litre, to 9999.99 (Default:1000.00 = MES20)			
Output pulse value	From 00.001 to 99.999 Litres per pulse	(Default: CH1: 00.010, CH2-8: 00.100)		
Min flowrate safety	From 00.001 to 99.999 Litres per second	(Default: CH1: 00.010, CH2-8: 00.400)		
Max flowrate safety	Max. 99.999 Litres per second	(Default: 01.000 all channels)		
Dose Limit	Max. 999.999 Litres per batch cycle	(Default: CH1: 010.000 CH2-8: 20.000)		
Max Backflow	From 000.001 to 999.999 Litres	(Default: CH1: 000.100 CH2-8:		
		000.400)		
Comparator difference	0.1 to 99.9%	(Default: 5.0% i.e. +/-2.5%)		
Start Delay	0.1 to 99.9 seconds	(Default: 2.0)		

Stop Delay0.1 to 99.9 seconds(Default: 2.0)Diff. ChannelsArm/disarm difference function 1=off, 2=on(Default: 1=off, 1 flowmeter only)Max Output pulse rate0001 to 9999 Hz(Default: 14)*Alarm MessagesRefer to Page 12 Troubleshooting Guide – Alarm Messages





ME2008 8-channel unit, opened, with external 8CAT5e Programmer

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FLOWMETER DATA GUIDE FOR ME2008 DATA ENTRY

ME2008 setup data for various flowmeters:

Set to 10-20% of the usual flowrate of the installation. Set to 90% of the specified maximum flowrate of the flowmeter.

Manu Flowmeters	S		\downarrow	¥
Model No	Description	Input pulses/Litre	Min. Flow Litres/sec	Max. Flow Litres/sec
MES20 (AEA)	20mm pulse flowmeter (low)	1000.00	00.010	01.000
MES20	20 mm pulse flowmeter	1000.00	00.100	01.100
MES25	25 mm pulse flowmeter	0552.00	00.150	01.800
MES32	32 mm pulse flowmeter	0261.00	00.200	03.000
MES40	40 mm pulse flowmeter	0116.00	00.300	05.000
MES20R	20mm reed pulse flowmeter	0061.00	00.100	01.100
CMM15	15mm magflow pulse meter	1000.00	00.010	00.500
CMM20	20mm magflow pulse meter	0500.00	00.020	01.000
CMM25	25mm magflow pulse meter	0100.00	00.100	04.000

BEST OUTPUT PULSE RESOLUTION VALUES

with MES flowmeters to DC input CommandBatch Computers

Model	Size	Pulse Output value		te not to exceed compunity of the speed of t	of 35Hz
MES20	20mm	10 mls per pulse	0.35 litres/sec.	21 litres/min.	35hz
**		20 mis per pulse	0.70 litres/sec	42 litres/min.	35hz
		25 mls per pulse	0.875 litres/sec	52 litres/min.	35h
		30 mls per pulse	1.05 litres/sec	63 litres/min	35h
		40 mls per pulse	1.40 litres/sec	84 litres/min	35h
**	44	50 mls per pulse	1.40 litres/sec	84 litres/min	35h
MES25	25mm	40 mls per pulse	1.40 litres/sec	84 litres/min.	35h
		50 mls per pulse	1.75 litres/sec	105 litres/min.	35h;
MES32	32mm	100 mls per pulse	3.00 litres/sec	180 litres/min.	30h
MES40	40mm	100 mls per pulse	4.00 litres/sec	240 litres/min.	35h

NOTE: ME2000 can emit 1mls/1 pulse if PLC computer input cards have high speed input capability (Output overrun is set to 35Hz to safeguard the system settings).

KMS/RMS ManuFlo and other Electromagnetic Flowmeters

15mm & 25mm = 100ppl. | 40mm & 50mm = 10ppl. See the ManuFlo RMS Datasheet for flowrates. Many other types of flowmeters can be used with the ME2008.

Order Codes for ME2008

ME2008-6 ME2008-8			<pre>it (3 module) it (4 modules) } then must also choose one option from at least EACH of the following three groups:</pre>
		-1A	240 vac power supply
(1) Power	Supply	-1B	110 vac power supply
		-1C	24 vac power supply
		-1D	24 VDC power supply
(2) Start		-2A	240 vac start/reset relay logic fitted.
	put Drives	-2B	110 vac start/reset relay logic fitted.
		-2C	24 vac start/reset relay logic fitted.
& Master Reset		-2D	24 VDC start/reset relay logic fitted.
(from PLC	, starts)	-2E	12 VDC start/reset relay logic fitted. Negative switching.
(3) Pulse Output (to PLC input pulses)		-3A	240 vac Moc3041 triac pulse output switching (only with '-1A' 240vac power supply option)
		-3B	Same ac voltage as for the start/reset option (i.e. 24vac or 110vac)
		-3C	5-30 VDC Open Collector pulse output. Suits CommandBatch / Jonel / other computers.
<u>Other</u>	-V1.8	Softwar	e version with option to disable comparator function
Options		(each cl	nannel has 1 counter per flowmeter instead of 2)
	-IR	Indeper	Ident Resets for each 2-channel module in the ME2008.
-USA		USA un	its (non-metric) e.g. Gallons.
	8CAT5E	4-way e	xternal panel, for programming up to 4 dual modules (includes HP-CAT5E)
Spares	Spares HP-CAT5E Programmer with CAT5E plug.		
	HP	Spare h	and-held plug-in keypad programming module.
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All other program parameters can be factory-entered or done via the plug-in programmer (see diagram above) onsite.

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ME2008 -	Program	Record	Sheet
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Serial Number : ME2008 Part No. Config : Voltages :			Date : Software Version :						
Display in: 🗌 Litres			Gallons						
]				Channel				
	ľ	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8
Flowmeter Model (part no.)									
K-FACTOR (CALII	BRATION)								
	put parameter to 1, then plume by count = pulses per								
Input Pulses	per Litre								
	• per Gallon								
PULSE OUTPUT \	OLUME VALUE TO PLC								
Output Pulses	Litres/pulse								
	 Millitres/pulse 								
MINIMUM FLOWR	ATE CUTOFF								
Min. flow	Litres/sec								
	•								
MAXIMUM FLOW	RATE CUTOFF								
Max. flow	Litres/sec								
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MAXIMUM BATCH									
Dose Limit	total Litres								
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MAXIMUM BACK	1								
	• Litres								
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Comparator di									
Start Delay (seconds)									
Stop Delay (se									
Difference Selection: 1=1 flowmeter, 2 =2 flometers per channel									
Max Output Ra	te (Hz)								
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ME2008 - Technical Guide

Lightning and Power Supply to ME2008 24VDC Model Only

• The **24VDC** power must come from the PLC/Computer or dedicated power supply, which should have lightning arrestors already fitted to its Uninterruptable Power Supply (UPS).

• To be safe, a power supply rated to at least 3 Amps or more be used to supply power to the DC version ME2008.

Pulse Output

From software version V1.7, the pulse output drive to the PLC optos is kept low when there are no output pulses.

Comparator Function Explained

The reason for using 2 flowmeters per admix line is to have a double safety system against possible overdoses (used in Hong Kong). Comparator flowmeters should be installed within 3 metres of each other.

In the event of one flowmeter malfunctioning in any way, the other flowmeter will operate as normal and the ME2008 will warn the operator of any unusual discrepency between the two meters. Examples of possible flowmeter malfunctions include: clutching or jamming of measuring chamber due to foreign particle contamination; clutching of flowmeter due to broken components; excessive wear affecting accuracy tolerances of opposing measuring chambers; electronic pulse failure or intermittent or excessive counts.

The ME2008 Comparator function is calculated by a mathematical algorithm applied to the flowrate in order to produce a stable display and calculate difference between the two flowmeters. If flowmeter A1 flows slower than flowmeter A2 or vice-versa and reaches the set differential channel percentage limit, the ME2008 will stop the batch, alarm will sound and LCD display will indicate "Diff. Flow".

As a general rule, between the two LCD total displays for A1 and A2, the display that shows the higher volume is generally the correct one. To make sure, conduct a volumetric calibration test of 1 Litre. Then compare with the ME2008 displays for that admixture - the display which differs most from the actual value is the faulty flowmeter.

TROUBLESHOOTING GUIDE

Text on the LCD display/Alarm	Possible Cause	Remedy				
"Low Flow"	-Flow Rate below setting -Pulse Fail due to flowmeter failure -Airlock in flowline	-Check "Min, flow" value -Check flowmeter,& pulsecable wiring -Check delivery line for line restriction -All Ok then return to ManuFlo for upgrade to v1.8 software +new Power upgrade	Flowrate lower than normal speeds Pipes hoses are clogged. Clogged near SOK pump has a lot of rubbish in the centrifuge rotor clean out pun gate valve seized rubbish jammer in non return valve suction side of			
"High Flow"	-Flow Rate above Max -Flow setting	-Check "Max. flow" value, has been exceeded -Check gate valve, restrict if necessary	pump issues piping blockages etc. change to PD pump close bypess valve if installed to increase pressure			
"Output Overrun"	-Higher pulse rate than pulse out Hz (frequency) maximum setting (AC=15Hz, DC=35Hz).	-Check "Max Out Rate" value -Adjust pulse output value resolution -Check Flow Rate, restrict the gate value.	flowrate. <u>WARNING</u> :- On powering up the unit allow 30 seconds for ME2000/08 to fully boot u all functionalities before u			
"Over Dose"	-Dose Limit exceeded during batch	-Check "Dose Limit" (batch limit) value -Check PLC/Computer Settings				
"Back Flow"	-Backflow of liquid after batch complete -Or excessive vibration at flowmeter install -Stuck external contactor/pump.	-Check Non-return valve, clean or replace. -Eliminate vibration source or swap with MES-DSP vibration free smart pulse-heads *see also Troubleshooting-Backflow on next page -rare case continuous backflow is external stuck contactor/pump running. kill power, replace contactor/pump or ME2000 drive relay stuck. (if the flow runs substantially backwards after batches this will result in short under batches of liquid volumes)				
"Diff Flow" (where used)	-Flowmeter Percent difference 5% exceeded (when comparator function is used with 2 flowmeters per 1 line)	-Check flowmeters (see comparator function explained)				
"Setting Lost"	-Power Surge or major power loss to systems	-Use handheld programmer to reset the system and re-enter the parameters. To re-enable the module showing "settings lost", proceed as follows: Plug the hand-held Programmer into the Dual Channel Module; To restore the default settings (which are input calibration 1000 pulses/Litre, divided pulse output 10mls/pulse), push 2 buttons simultaneously on the				
	Or short the 2 pins as shown					

TROUBLESHOOTING - BACKFLOW

In some installations with older MES meters, the ME2008 may slowly count without batching being in progress, causing a "Back Flow" alarm.

- 1 Usually, this is due to the Non-Return Valve not closing, thus allowing backflow which results in counts as the liquid runs back thru the flowmeter (PD types). Ensure that the Non-Return Valve is clean and operating correctly.
- 2 If Non-Return Valve is OK, then ensure that shielded cable is used. If cable is not shielded, then interference can be picked up and transmitted to the ME2008 which will interpret it as backflow.
- 3 If shielding is OK, then possible cause is vibration in plant near MES meters. Install flowmeters away from vibration causes, or anchor meters with rubber mounts.
- 4 If after batch complete and the **shut off valve fails** to close, then "backflow" alarm will engage.
- 5 If vibration is still prevalent, then upgrade with new MES-DSP-OC pulseheads is recommended. New all solid state smart technology (frwd/rvrse flow) are vibration free and interchangeable with old style pulseheads

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MES larger flowmeters or replacing with MAGFLOW - INSTALLATION and PROGRAMMING

- A Replace MES body.
- B. Program the ME2008 Input Pulse to suit the K-factor of the large body (K-factor pulses/litre will be lower)
- C. Change other program factors to suit flowmeter/appl. specs.
- D. VERY IMPORTANT

After replacement and programming of a flowmeter, take a calibration test before you leave the plant.





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