# Universal Pulse Interface Card 24V DC POWER

DATASHEET

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# **FEATURES**

UIC



- Simple calibration setup and use.
- Suitable with most NPN & contact closure flowmeters
- Fully isolates flowmeter pulses to PLC input.
- Australian Made



# The Universal Interface Card (UIC) provides signal scaling and an isolation interface to pulse flowmeter outputs, and re-transmits to PLC/computer inputs. Three model variants are available:

- 1) <u>UIC/A2-24DC</u> : 24 250 vac pulse switching via a heavy duty triac opto.
- 2) **UIC/A1-24DC** : 110 240V AC pulse switching via a triac opto.

3) UIC/D-24DC : 5 - 30 VDC NPN/PNP (sink/source) pulse switching via a 4N33 opto.

■ x10 input. ■ Common to all is a low voltage 5-12 VDC NPN (sinking) scaled output pulse (proportional to supply voltage), which can be used for connection to counters or other devices. ■ All scaled output pulses are indicated by a LED, with pulses feeding the PLC input device having 50% duty cycle (square wave). There are two mounting holes, for fixing to panels, enclosures etc. ■ A special voltage regulator is fitted on to the card for use with a +24 VDC power supply. The UIC card supplies regulated +12VDC power to the flowmeter (where required).

### **CALIBRATION AND USE**

■ The UIC is suitable for use with most types of pulse output flowmeters. ■ Calibrating or scaling of pulse output signals is via three decade rotary select switches (numbered 0-9) marked H (Hundreds), T (Tens) and U (Units). ■ To change calibration, use a small flatbladed screw driver, insert into switch slot and turn arrow to desired number (see calibration calculation examples on page 3) ■ For batching with concrete admixtures, the MES20 / MES20N / AMM20 - 20mm pulse flowmeters are primarily used awhen all outputing 1000 pulse/liter. For pulse scaling setpoint values, refer to the the following table (for a x10 input standard UIC card):

### When flowmeter is outputing 1000ppL (1ml./1pulse);

Rotary value	UIC card	Volume	Final Calibration:
HTU	pulse o/p rate	per pulse	If the liquid collected is more than pulse value shown on computer screen, then decreas
025	200 pulses/Litre	5 ml/pulse	the rotary decade set value by the same % difference.
050	100 pulses/Litre	10 ml/pulse	
100	50 pulses/Litre	20 ml/pulse	If the liquid collected is less than pulse value shown on computer screen, then increase
150	33.3 pulses/Litre	30 ml/pulse	the rotary decade set value by the same % difference.
250	20 pulses/Litre	50 ml/pulse	
500	10 pulses/Litre	100 ml/pulse	Note: Final calibration can also be performed via computer software scaling.
999	5 pulses/Litre	200 ml/pulse	

For calibration for use with larger MES meters and other flowmeters (e.g. RPFS paddlewheel) see calibration calculation examples on Page 3.



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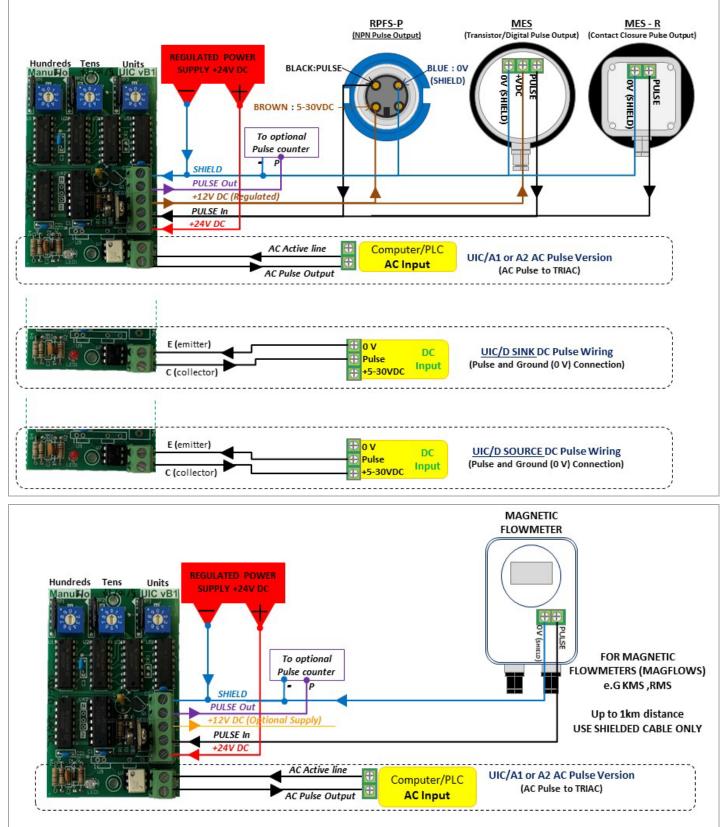
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SPECIFICATIONS					
Supply	+24V DC 21 mA current rating				
Voltage to flowmeter	+12 VDC regulated, supplied by UIC to power the flowmeter				
Input	Accepts NPN Transistor or contact closure input				
Pulse input frequency max: 2 kHz (e.g. with MES20)   2 kHz (e.g. with MES20)					
UIC/A2 AC switching UIC/A1 AC switching	24 - 250 vac switching* up to 1 Amp via CRYDOM AO241 solid state opto triac, with surge protection to 2500 V RMS. Drives yellow Opto22 input modules or equivalent solid state inputs. 110-240 vac switching* Motorola 3041 opto drives solid state inputs. * <i>Due to AC triac opto isolator characteristics, frequency output to computer inputs should not exceed 15Hz.</i>				
UIC/D Open Collector switching					
Pulse Data	Pulses from flowmeters can be needle shaped, so UIC's Schmitt trigger input filters possible industrial noise. UIC output pulses are conditioned to 50% duty cycle.				
Environmental	5 – 40 Degrees Celsius 0% to 75% relative humidity Up to 2000m Altitude Pollution Degree 1 Indoor Use (air is not significantly polluted by dust, oil, or chemicals)				

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## WIRING / CONNECTION DETAILS Note: Supply voltage must be +24V DC.



Note: Pulse output rate to AC input PLC/computers must not exceed 13Hz (13 pulses per second rule). Any pulserate faster than 13Hz will cause overdose, as computer will miss pulses due to its AC input or scanning time limitations. Relates to any 24-240 vac pulse inputs (Eagle/Alcon/Jonel etc). To use UIC/A card with each MES flowmeter size, refer to the scaling chart on the bottom of Page 3 (other combinations can be set).



Due to continuous product improvement, specifications are subject to change without notice.



#### COMMISSIONING FLOWMETER / UIC INTERFACE CARD SYSTEM(s)

■ Electricians must refer to the relevant system wiring diagram. Mount the UIC interface cards on a suitable panel or inside an enclosure near the computer/PLC input panel. ■ When wiring the flowmeter(s), use shielded cable. For example, when wiring 4 flowmeters in the one installation, use at least 6-core shielded cable: 4 cores for each pulse wire and at least one core for the positive DC voltage supply linked to each UIC card and the flowmeters, and one core coupled with the shield as 0.V.

- Wire the Pulse Output and return line from the dual (white) terminal to the computer/PLC pulse input(s).
- Wire the external power supply (also available from ManuFlo, to the UIC card which in turn supplies voltage to flowmeter(s). Power supply must be 24V DC only, noting each UIC card/flowmeter can draw up to 25mA each.
- Set the appropriate calibration setting on the UIC via the 3 decade rotary pots, marked H (Hundreds), T (Tens) and U (Units).
- Power up the system. Prime the admix line, until liquid appears at outlet line, UIC's pulse LED is blinking and your computer screen is counting.
- A volumetric calibration test must be performed when commissioning a new installation, and a follow-up quarterly test: a calibrated vessel is placed near the sock, a selected batch quantity set on computer, and batched. See UIC card's brochure for calibration details.

Example: MES20 flowmeter used, 10.1 Litres called on batch computer program, 100mls/pulse set on UIC (HTU=500), 10.1 litres of admixture collected in container, 101 counts on computer. 101 x100mls =10.1 Litres = CORRECT RESULT. If 10.3 Litres collected in container, is approximately 2% excess admix, so subtract 2% from the current HTU=500 setting i.e. set HTU=490. Batch again, result should BE CORRECT.

#### TROUBLESHOOT GUIDE: If there is no pulse output from the UIC

If there is no pulse output or it is erratic from the UIC, Check that the HTU settings on the UIC card are not set to H=0 T=0 U=0, and are correct for your application. Turn off power to the UIC, NOW SET a VALUE e.g. HTU=100, then turn the power on again.

Run some fluid through the flowmeter (or simulate flow by inputting pulses to the UIC card).

Observe if the UIC's output LED blinks at the rate expected for the divided output pulse rate.

If the problem still exists, repeat steps 1 to 4 (2-3 times) until the UIC card auto corrects itself.

If the UIC does not auto correct, then return the suspect UIC card to ManuFlo for further checking or repair.

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	CALIBRATION VALUES using					
	RPFS-P paddlewheel flowmeters for water					
	UIC card with ST	ANDARD x10 pulse input multiplier				
Pipe size	UIC Set Value Output pulses per Litre					
(mm)	HTU	to PLC/computer				
25	375	1 pulse per 1 Litre				
32	230	1 pulse per 1 Litre				
40	150	1 pulse per 1 Litre				
50	100	1 pulse per 1 Litre				
65						
	0 6 0 1 pulse per 1 Litre					
80	3 6 5 1 pulse per 10 Litre					
80	073	1 pulse per 2 Litre				
100	092	1 pulse per 4 Litre				
	All values are starting reference values for RPFS-P					
	and are approximate only, due to possible variations					
	in installation conditions e.g.					
	due to pipe direction, water quality etc.					
	Values could vary up to 10%.					

CALIBRATION VALUES using						
MAGFLOW	/S (e.g. KMS,	MFS, RMS)				
		oulseoutput (-P)				
UIC card with STANDARD x10 pulse input multiplier						
Output pulse	UIC Set Value	Output pulses per Litre				
from Magflow	HTU	to PLC/computer				
1 pulse per 1 Litr	010	1 pulse per 2 Litre				
	025	1 pulse per 5 Litres				
	050	1 pulse per 10 Litres				
10 pulses per 1 Litre	050	1 pulse per 1 Litre				
	100	1 pulse per 2 Litres				
	250	1 pulse per 5 Litres				
	500	1 pulse per 10 Litres				

Note:

1 pulse IN to 1 pulse OUT value is not possible. i.e. HTU =005

	e.g. to convert 20 pulses/Litre to 1 pulse/Litre:
HTU =input pulses/Litrex 5	HTU = <u>20 pulses/Litre</u> x 5
output pulses/Litre	1 pulse/Litre
	HTU = 100 (i.e. H=1 T=0 U=0)

Calculation Example

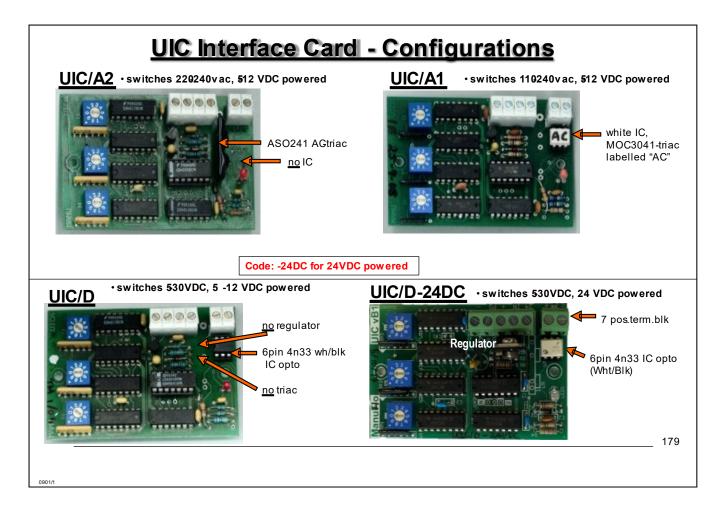
## CALIBRATION VALUES using MES 20, 25, 32, 40mm flowmeters

Meter		UIC/A	card setting			Equivalent <u>AC</u> input
Model	Size	нт	U	Pulse Output value	Flowrate	pulse frequency
MES20	20mm	50	)	100 mls per pulse	1.2 Litres/sec	12 Hz **
"	"	250	)	50 mls per pulse	0.65 Litres/sec	13 Hz
"	"	1 0 (	)	20 mls per pulse	0.26 Litres/sec	13 Hz
"	"	050	)	10 mls per pulse	0.13 Litres/sec	13 Hz
(Maximum flov	wrate of MES20 is a	about 1000mls	/sec i.e. 1Litre/s	ec, 60 LPM)		
MES25	25mm	27	7	100 mls per pulse	1.3 Litres/sec	13 Hz
"	"	55	5	200 mls per pulse	1.8 Litres/sec	09 Hz **
"	"	693	3	250 mls per pulse	1.8 Litres/sec	7.2 Hz
(Maximum flov	wrate of MES25 is a	about 1830mls	/sec i.e. 1.83 Lit	res/sec, 110 LPM)		
MES32	32mm	13	0	100 mls per pulse	1.3 Litres/sec	13 Hz
"	"	26	1	200 mls per pulse	2.6 Litres/sec	13 Hz **
"	"	32	6	250 mls per pulse	3.0 Litres/sec	12 Hz **
"	"	65	2	500 mls per pulse	3.0 Litres/sec	06 Hz
(Maximum flov	wrate of MES32 is a	about 3000mls	/sec i.e. 3 Litres	/sec, 180 LPM)		
MES40	40mm	1 4	5	250 mls per pulse	3.2 Litres/sec	13 Hz **
"	"	29	0	500 mls per pulse	5.0 Litres/sec	10 Hz **
"	"	58	0	1 Litre per pulse	10.0 Litres/sec	10 Hz
(Maximum flov	wrate of MES40 is a	about 6000mls	/sec i.e. 6 Litres	/sec, 300 LPM)		

\*\* means best and most common settings for AC input. NOTE: For DC inputs the pulse input speeds can be faster 40hz+

## CALIBRATION VALUES using AMM25 -25mm Magflow flowmeter 500p/ltr.

Meter		UIC card setting		
Model	Size	нти	Pulse Output value	
AMM25	25mm	250	100 mls per pulse	
"	"	125	50 mls per pulse	
"	"	050	20 mls per pulse	
"	"	025	10 mls per pulse	



## NOTES:

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