ICON Process Controls TI3B Series Insertion Paddle Wheel Flow Meter Sensor User Guide

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Product Usage Instructions

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Installation

1. Lubricate O-rings with a compatible viscous lubricant.
2. Carefully lower the sensor into the fitting using an alternating or twisting motion. Do not force it.
3. Ensure the tab or notch on the sensor is parallel to the flow direction.
4. Hand tighten the sensor cap without using any tools to prevent damage to threads.
5. Lubricate the inside of the insertion fitting with silicone.

Safety Information

- De-pressurize and vent system prior to installation or removal
- Confirm chemical compatibility before use
- DO NOT exceed maximum temperature or pressure specifications
- ALWAYS wear safety goggles or face-shield during installation and/or service
- DO NOT alter product construction

Warning | Caution | Danger
Indicates a potential hazard. Failure to follow all warnings may lead to equipment damage, injury, or death.

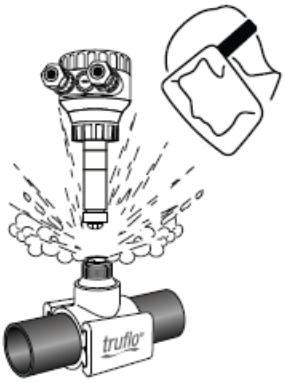
Note | Technical Notes
Highlights additional information or detailed procedure.

Hand Tighten Only
Over tightening may permanently damage product threads and lead to failure of the retaining nut.

Do Not Use Tools
Use of tool(s) may damage produced beyond repair and potentially void product warranty.

Personal Protective Equipment (PPE)
Always utilize the most appropriate PPE during installation and service of Truflo® products.

Pressurized System Warning
Sensor may be under pressure. Take caution to vent system prior to installation or removal. Failure to do so may result in equipment damage and/or serious injury.



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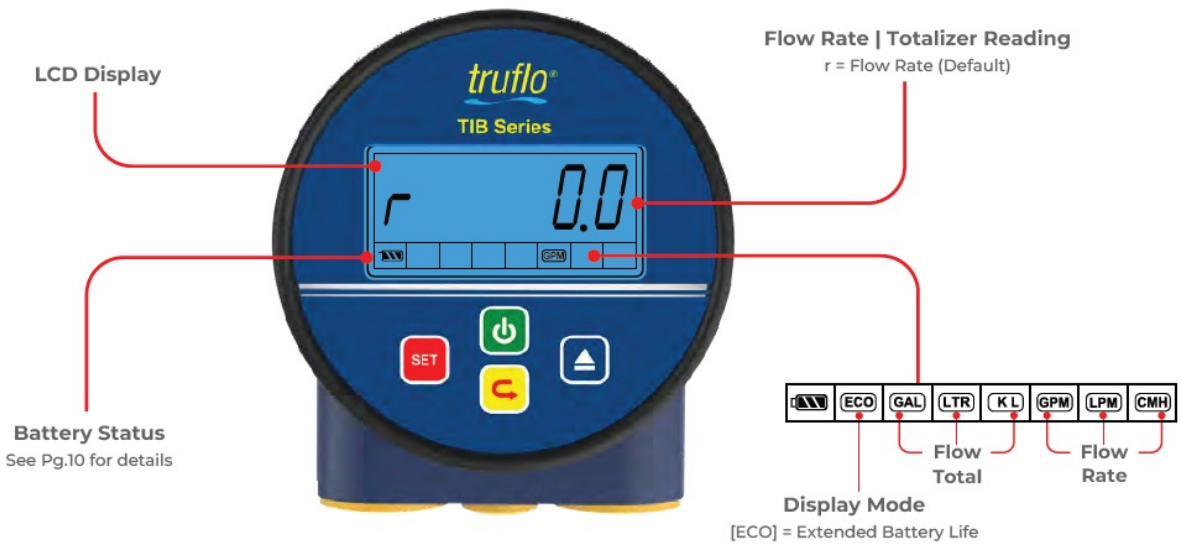


Technical Specifications

General		
Operating Range	0.3 to 33 ft/s	0.1 to 10 m/s
Pipe Size Range	½ to 24″	DN15 to DN600
Linearity	±0.5% of F.S @ 25°C | 77°F	
Repeatability	±0.5% of F.S @ 25°C | 77°F	
Wetted Materials		
Sensor Body	PVC (Dark) | PP (Pigmented) | PVDF (Natural) | 316SS	
O-Rings	FKM | EPDM* | FFKM*	
Rotor Pin | Bushings	Zirconium Ceramic | ZrO2	
Paddle | Rotor	ETFE Tefzel®	
Electrical		
Battery	5000 | 9000 mAh	
Display		
LCD | Flow Rate + Flow Totalizer		
Max. Temperature/Pressure Rating – Standard and Integral Sensor | Non-Shock		
PVC	180 Psi @ 68°F | 40 Psi @ 140°F	12.5 Bar @ 20°C | 2.7 Bar @ 60°F
PP	180 Psi @ 68°F | 40 Psi @ 190°F	12.5 Bar @ 20°C | 2.7 Bar @ 88°F
PVDF	200 Psi @ 68°F | 40 Psi @ 240°F	14 Bar @ 20°C | 2.7 Bar @ 115°F
316SS	200 Psi @ 180°F | 40 Psi @ 300°F	14 Bar @ 82°C | 2.7 Bar @ 148°F
Operating Temperature		
PVC	32°F to 140°F	0°C to 60°C
PP	-4°F to 190°F	-20°C to 88°C
PVDF	-40°F to 240°F	-40°C to 115°C
316SS	-40°F to 300°F	-40°C to 148°C
Standards and Approvals		
CE | FCC | RoHS Compliant		

See Temperature and Pressure Graphs for more information

Product Description

The TI Series insertion plastic paddle wheel flow meter has been engineered to provide long-term accurate flow measurement in tough industrial applications. The paddle wheel assembly consists of a engineered Tefzel® paddle and micro-polished zirconium ceramic rotor pin and bushings. High performance Tefzel® and Zirconium materials have been selected due to their excellent chemical and wear resistant properties.

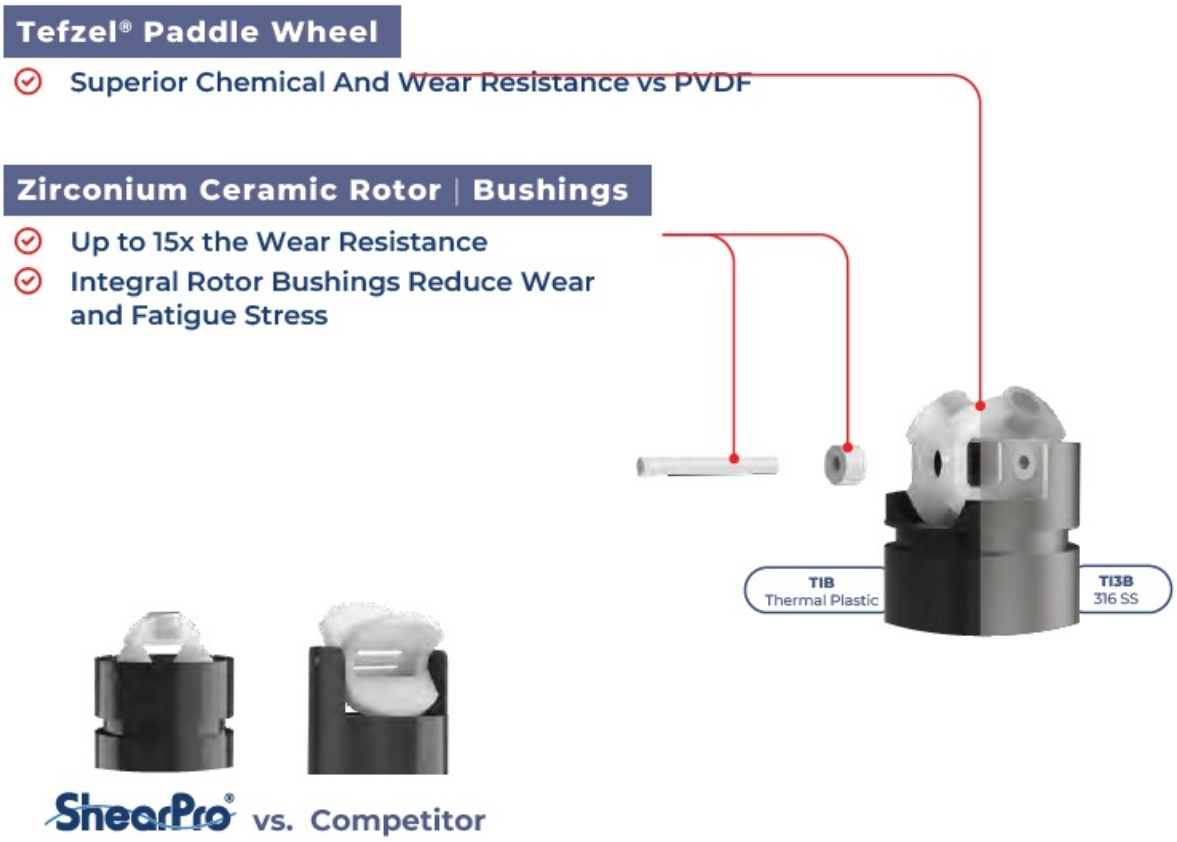
Features

- ½” – 24” Line Sizes
- Flow Rate | Total

New ShearPro® Design

- Contoured Flow Profile
- Reduced Turbulence = Increased Longevity
- 78% Less Drag than Old Flat Paddle Design*

*Ref: NASA “Shape Effects on Drag”



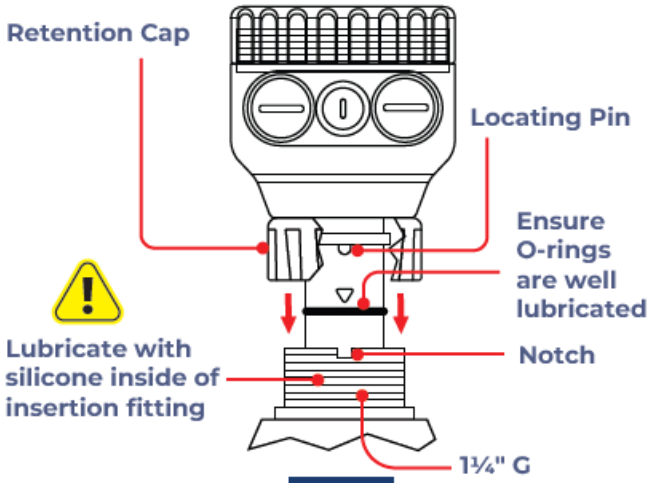
360º Shielded Rotor Design

- Eliminates Finger Spread
- No Lost Paddles

Installation

Very Important

- Lubricate O-rings with a viscous lubricant, compatible with the materials of construction.
- Using an alternating | twisting motion, carefully lower the sensor into the fitting. | Do Not Force | Fig-3
- Ensure tab | notch are parallel to flow direction | Fig-4



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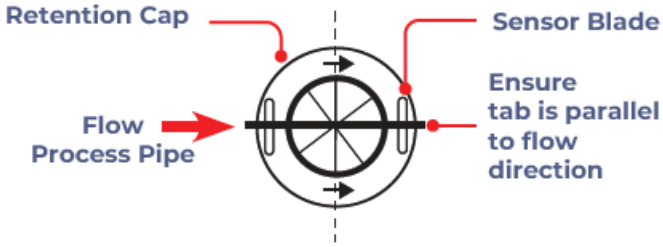

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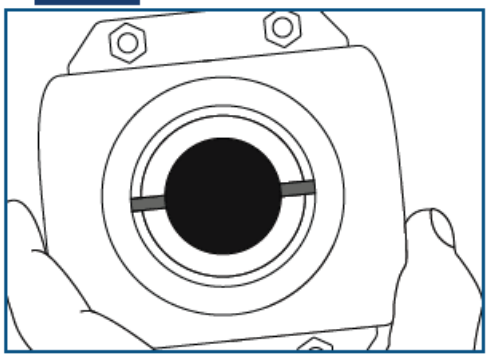
Top View

Hand tighten the sensor cap. DO NOT use any tools on the sensor cap or the cap threads or fitting threads may be damaged. | Fig-5

Fig - 1

Fig - 2



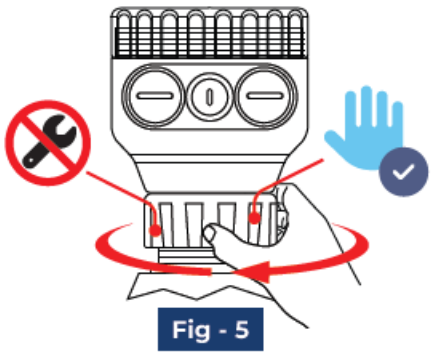
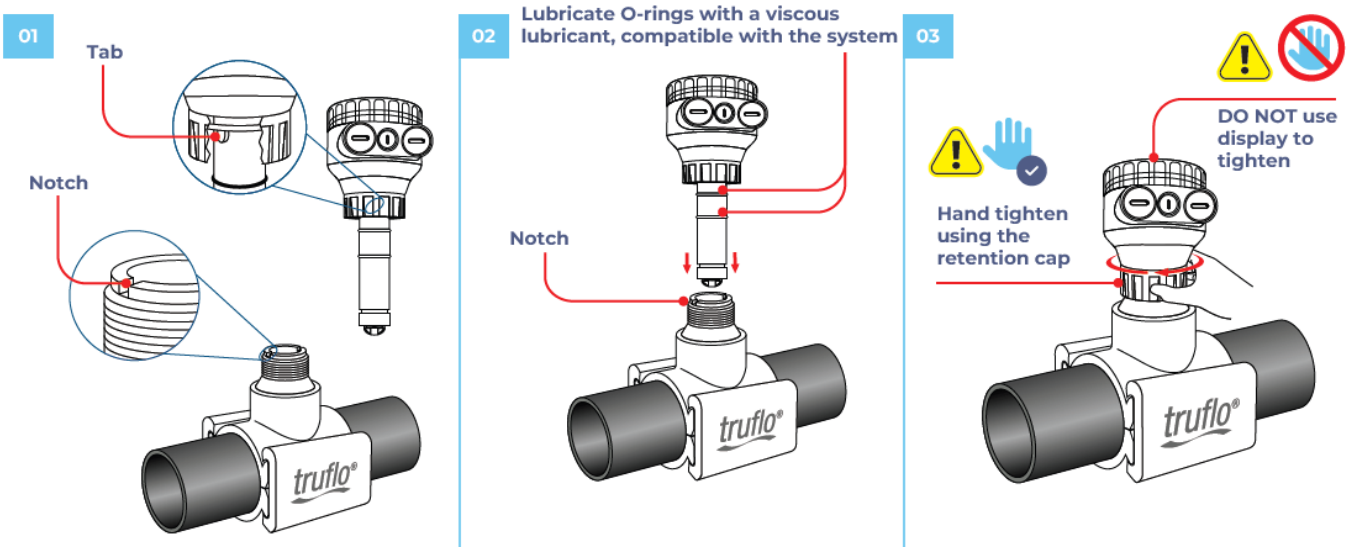


Fig - 5

Correct Sensor Position

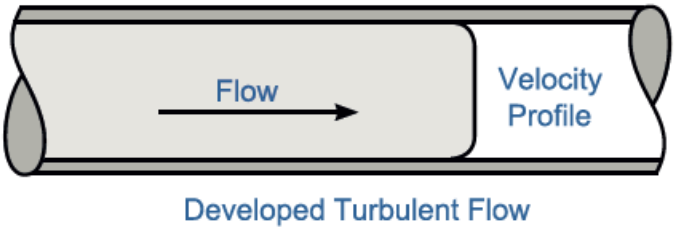
- Locate the flow meter positioning tab and clamp saddle notch.
- Engage one thread of the sensor cap, then turn the sensor until the alignment tab is seated in the fitting notch. Ensure tab is parallel to flow direction.

- Hand tighten the screw cap.
- DO NOT use any tools — threads may be damaged.
- Ensure meter is firmly in place.



Correct Sensor Position Setup

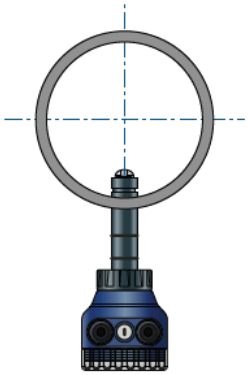
TI Series flow meters measure liquid media only. There should be no air bubbles and the pipe must always remain full. To ensure accurate flow measurement, the placement of the flow meters needs to adhere to specific parameters. This requires a straight run pipe with a minimum number of pipe diameters distance upstream and downstream of the flow sensor.



Developed Turbulent Flow

Installation Positions

Figure - 1



Good if NO SEDIMENT present

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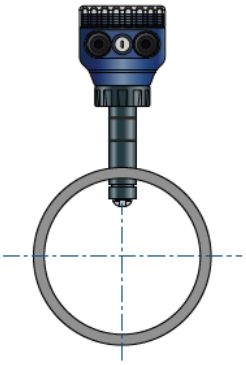

Good if NO AIR BUBBLES present

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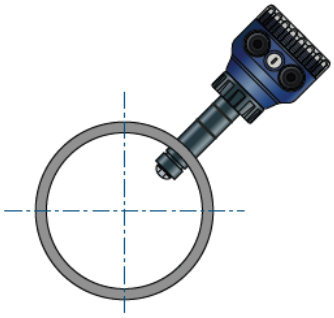


Preferred installation if SEDIMENT* or AIR BUBBLES may be present

Maximum % of solids: 10% with particle size not exceeding 0.5mm cross section or length

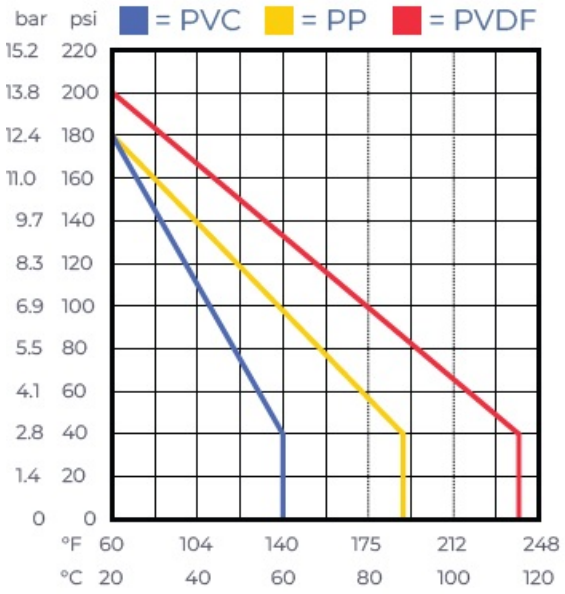
Fittings and K-Factor

TEE FITTINGS				
				
Tee Fitting		K-Factor		Sensor Length
IN	DN	LPM	GPM	
½" (V1)	15	156.1	593.0	S
½" (V2)	15	267.6	1013.0	S
¾"	20	160.0	604.0	S
1″	25	108.0	408.0	S
1½"	40	37.0	140.0	S
2″	50	21.6	81.7	S
2½"	65	14.4	54.4	S
3″	80	9.3	35.0	S
4″	100	5.2	19.8	S

CLAMP-ON SADDLES				
				
Clamp Saddles		K-Factor		Sensor Length
IN	DN	LPM	GPM	
2″	50	21.6	81.7	S
3″	80	9.3	35.0	S
4″	100	5.2	19.8	S
6″	150	2.4	9.2	L
8″	200	1.4	5.2	L

CPVC SOCKET WELD-ON ADAPTERS				
				
Weld On Adapter		K-Factor		Sensor Length
IN	DN	LPM	GPM	
2″	50	14.4	54.4	S
2½”	65	9.3	35.5	S
3″	80	9.3	35.0	S
4″	100	5.2	19.8	S
6″	150	2.4	9.2	L
8″	200	1.4	5.2	L
10″	250	0.91	3.4	L
12″	300	0.65	2.5	L
14″	400	0.5	1.8	L
16″	500	0.4	1.4	L
18″	600	0.3	1.1	L
20″	800	0.23	0.9	L
24″	1000	0.16	0.6	L

Pressure vs. Temperature



Note: During system design the specifications of all components must be considered. | Non-Shock

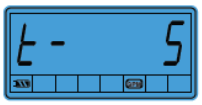
Min/Max Flow Rates

Pipe Size (O.D.)	LPM | GPM	LPM | GPM
	0.3m/s min.	10m/s max
½" | DN15	3.5 | 1.0	120.0 | 32.0
¾" | DN20	5.0 | 1.5	170.0 | 45.0
1" | DN25	9.0 | 2.5	300.0 | 79.0
1 ½" | DN40	25.0 | 6.5	850.0 | 225.0
2" | DN50	40.0 | 10.5	1350.0 | 357.0
2 ½" | DN60	60.0 | 16.0	1850.0 | 357.0
3" | DN80	90.0 | 24.0	2800.0 | 739.0
4" | DN100	125.0 | 33.0	4350.0 | 1149.0
6" | DN150	230.0 | 60.0	7590.0 | 1997.0
8" | DN200	315.0 | 82.0	10395.0 | 2735.0

Unit Selection

Programming

SET Select/Save/Continue Move Selection Left Change Digit Value

STEPS	DISPLAY	OPERATION
1 Home Screen SET + 3 SEC		Home Screen r = Flow Rate(Default)
2 Password SET		Factory Default: Lock - 0 Lock - 1 | Locked
3 K Factor SET		Enter K Factor Value* * Depends on Fittings | Refer to Page 7 for K-Factor Values
4 Display Mode SET		dSP-non (Default) | Backlight LED function is active dSP-Eco | Backlight LED function is not active
5 Backlight Time SET		Backlight Time (Secs) t- 5 (5 Secs, Default)
6 Flow Alarm Delay SET		Time Delay for Visual Alarm dt. 10 (10 Secs, Default)
7 Reset Totalizer SET		rESET.1 (Default) | Flow Totalizer Reset Enabled rESET.0 | Flow Totalizer Reset Disabled

Flow Totalizer – Full Digit Display

In the Totalizer Mode (GAL, LTR, KL)

1. Hold the key for 3 seconds to show current value of the 7th – 8th digits
2. After releasing the key the current value of the 1st – 6th digits will be displayed

Flow Totalizer Reset

STEPS	DISPLAY	OPERATION
1 Home Screen + 3 SEC		Totalizer Display Note: Make sure **rESET** is set to "1" in the main programming (Refer Pg 8)
2 Totalizer Reset		Totalizer Value will Reset to Zero

Visual Alarm Settings

STEPS	DISPLAY	OPERATION
1 Home Screen ▸ 		Home Screen
2 High Alarm ▸ 		High Alarm Value Enter High Alarm Value
3 Low Alarm ▸ 		Low Alarm Value Enter Low Alarm Value

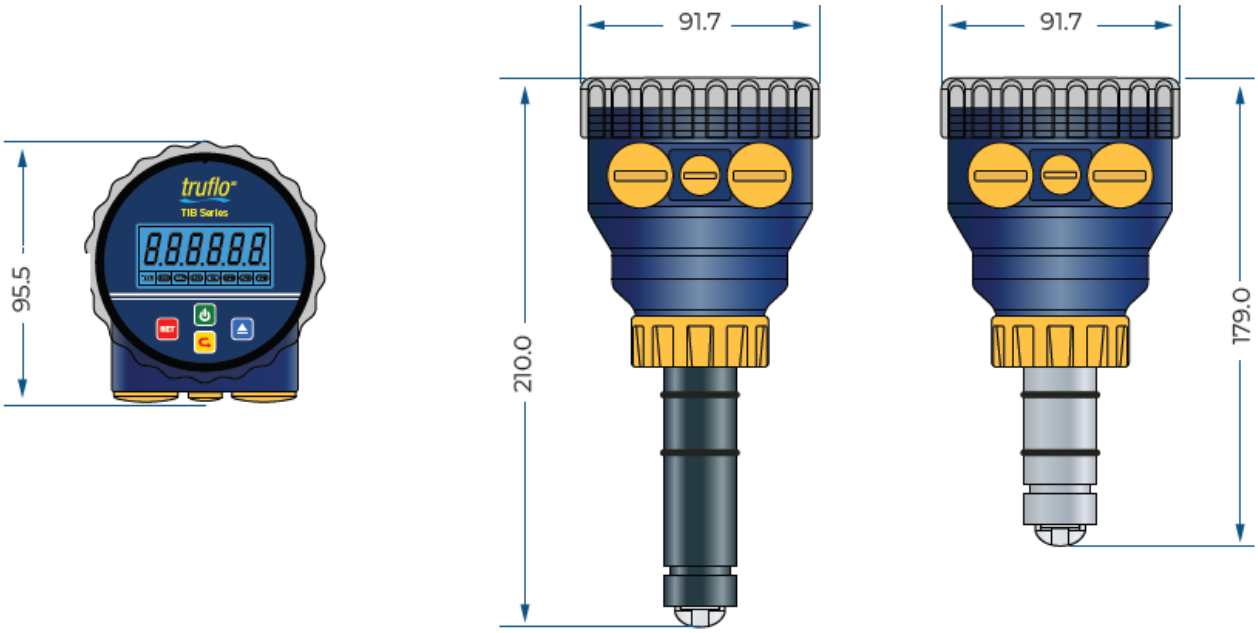
Battery Status Indicator

Voltage of Battery	Symbol	Status
3.0V		Full Scale
< 3.0V		Mild Scale
< 2.8V		Low Scale (Pilot BAT Flashing)
< 2.6V		Low Voltage (Pilot BAT & Display Flashing)

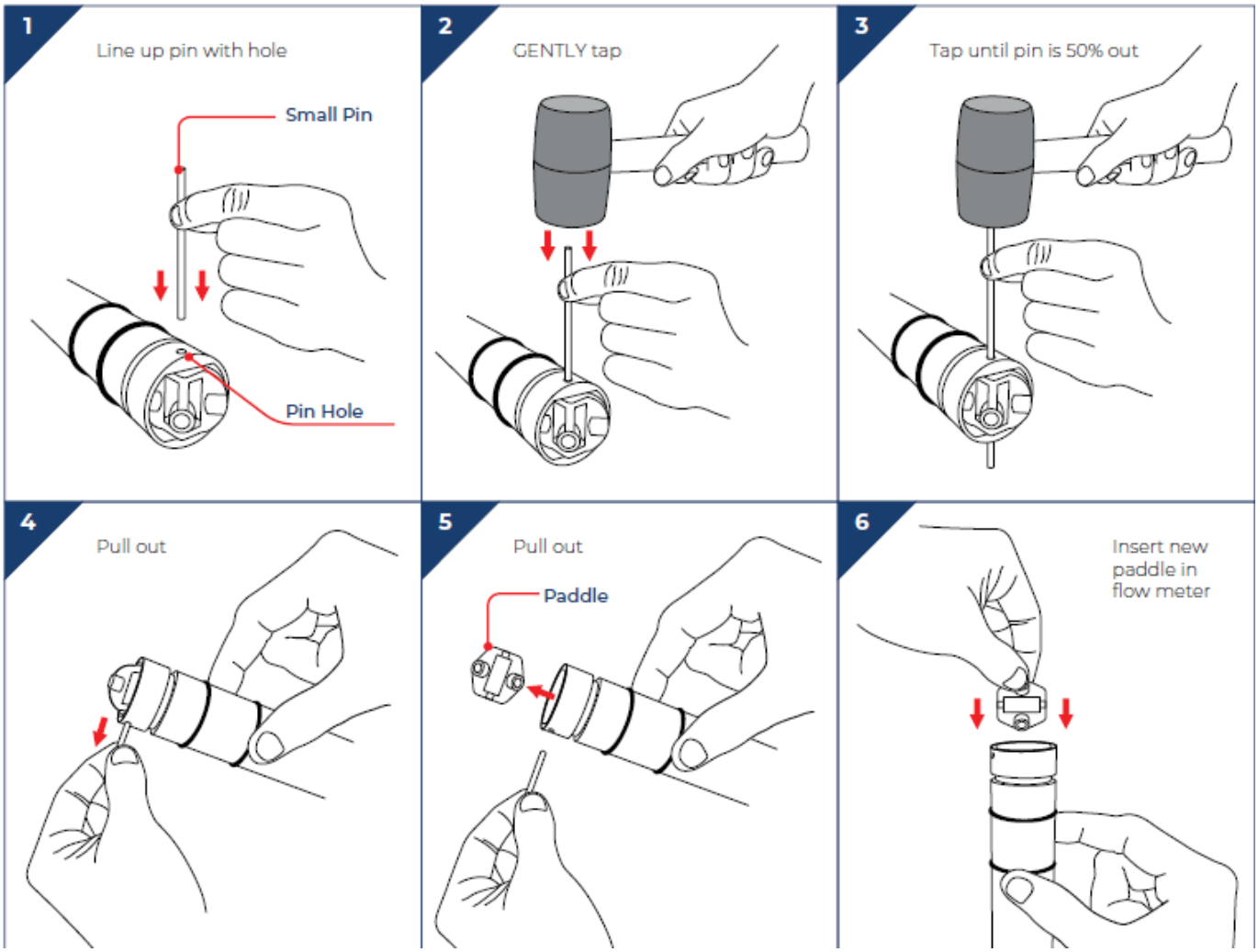
Sleep Settings

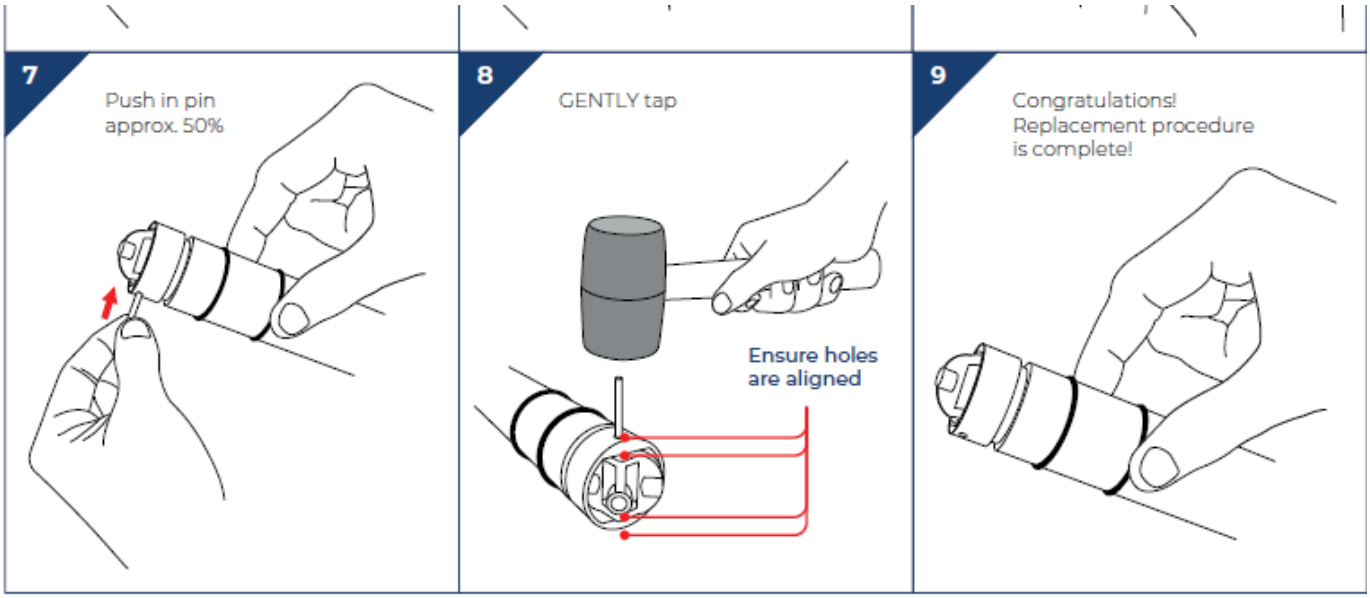
STEPS	DISPLAY	OPERATION
1 Home Screen ▸  2 Sleep Mode ▸		Home Screen
		Sleep Mode Active Press again to deactivate sleep mode

Dimensions (mm)

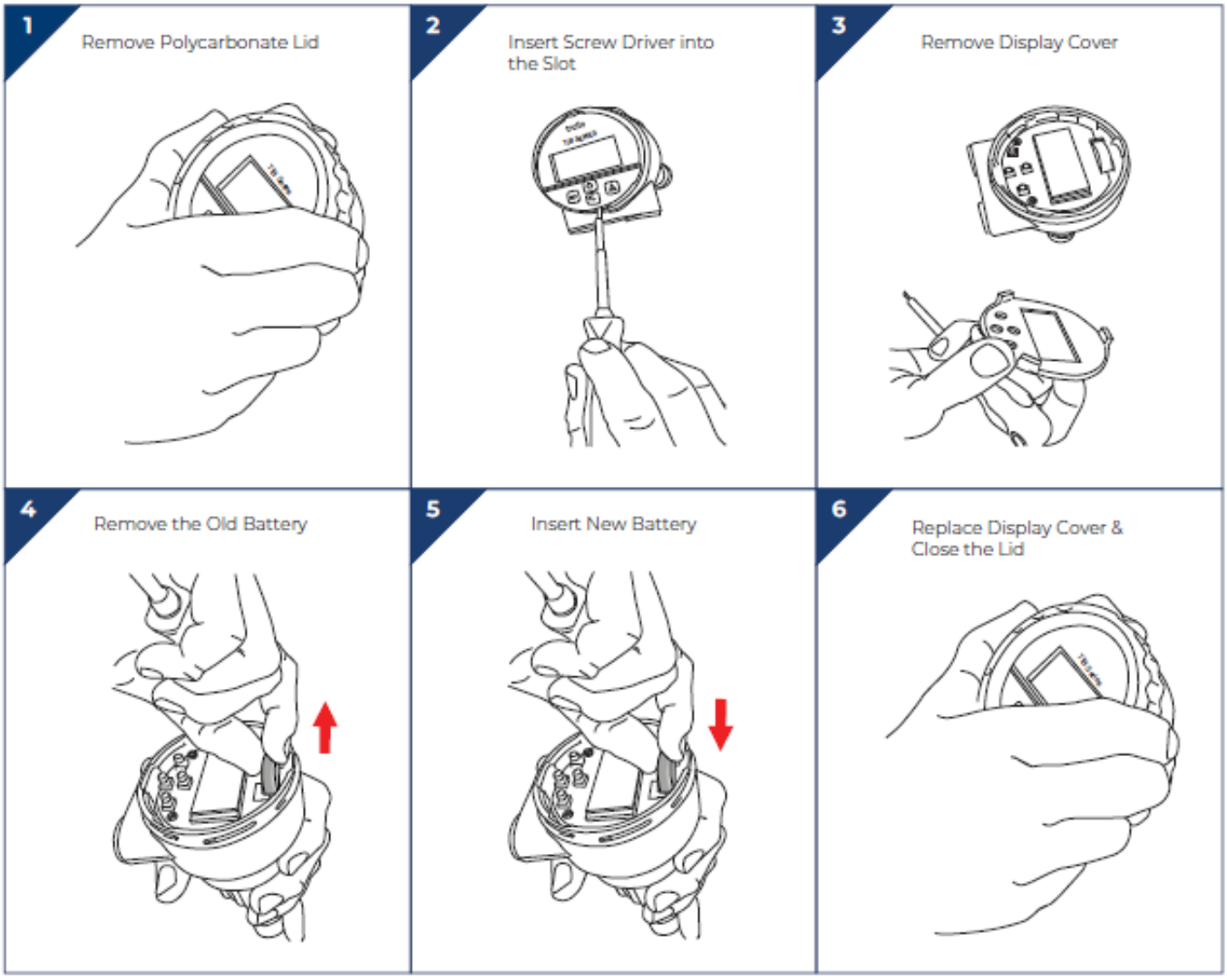


Rotor Pin | Paddle Replacement





Battery Replacement



Model Selection

PVC | PP | PVDF		
Size	Part Number	Material
½” – 4″	TIB-P-S	PVC
6″ – 24″	TIB-P-L	PVC
1″ – 4″	TIB-PP-S	PP
6″ – 24″	TIB-PP-L	PP
1″ – 4″	TIB-PF-S	PVDF
6″ – 24″	TIB-PF-L	PVDF

316 SS		
Size	Part Number	Material
½” – 4″	TI3B-SS-S	316 SS
6″ – 24″	TI3B-SS-L	316 SS

- Add Suffix –
- ‘E’ – EPDM Seals

Installation Fittings

SA
Clamp-On Saddle Fittings

- PVC Material
- Viton® O-Rings
- Available in Metric DIN
- Will Accept Signet® Type Flow Meter

PVC	
Size	Part Number
2″	SA020
3″	SA030
4″	SA040
6″	SA060
8″	SA080

PT | **PPT** | **PFT**
Installation Fittings

- PVC | PP | PVDF
- Socket End Connections
- Will Accept Signet® Type Flow Meter
- True-Union Design

PVDF		PVC	PP
Size	Part Number	Part Number	Part Number
½”	PFT005	PT005	PPT005
¾”	PFT007	PT007	PPT007
1”	PFT010	PT010	PPT010
1½”	PFT015	PT015	PPT015
2”	PFT020	PT020	PPT020

Add Suffix –

- ‘E’ – EPDM Seals
- ‘T’ – NPT End Connectors
- ‘B’ – Butt Fused End Connections for PP or PVDF

SAR
Clamp-On Saddle Fittings (SDR Pipe)

- PVC Material
- Viton® O-Rings
- Available in Metric DIN
- Will Accept Signet® Type Flow Meter

PVC	
Size	Part Number
2″	SAR020
3″	SAR030
4″	SAR040
6″	SAR060
8″	SAR080
10″	SAR100
12″	SAR120
14″	SAR140
16″	SAR160

CT
CPVC Tee Installation Fitting

- 1”-4” Pipe Sizes
- Easy to Install
- Will Accept Signet® Flow Meter

CPVC	
Size	Part Number
1″	CT010
1 ½”	CT015
2″	CT020
3″	CT030
4″	CT040

PG
Glue-On Adapter

- 2”-24” Pipe Sizes
- Easy to Install
- Will Accept Signet® Flow Meter

Glue-On Adapter – CPVC	
Size	Part Number
2”- 4”	PG4
6”- 24”	PG24

- Add Suffix –
- ‘E’ – EPDM Seals
- ‘T’ – NPT End Connectors
- ‘B’ – Butt Fused End Connections for PP or PVDF

SWOL
Weld-On Adapter

- 2”-12” Pipe Sizes
- 316SS Weld-o-let with PVDF insert
- Easy to Install
- Will Accept Signet® Flow Meter

Weld-On Adapter – 316 SS	
Size	Part Number
3”	SWOL3
4”	SWOL4
6”	SWOL6
8”	SWOL8
10”	SWOL10
12”	SWOL12

SST
316SS TI3 Series NPT Tee Fittings

Will Accept Signet® Type Flow Meter

Threaded Tee Fitting – 316 SS	
Size	Part Number
½”	SST005
¾”	SST007
1″	SST010
1 ½”	SST015
2″	SST020
3″	SST030
4″	SST040

SSS
316SS TI3 Series Sanitary Tee Fittings

Will Accept Signet® Type Flow Meter

Sanitary Tee Fitting – 316 SS	
Size	Part Number
½”	SSS005
¾”	SSS007
1″	SSS010
1 ½”	SSS015
2″	SSS020
3″	SSS030
4″	SSS040

SSF
316SS TI3 Series Flanged Tee Fittings

Will Accept Signet® Type Flow Meter

Flanged Tee Fitting – 316 SS	
Size	Part Number
½”	SSF005
¾”	SSF007
1″	SSF010
1 ½”	SSF015
2″	SSF020
3″	SSF030
4″	SSF040

Warranty, Returns and Limitations

Warranty
Icon Process Controls Ltd warrants to the original purchaser of its products that such products will be free from defects in material and workmanship under normal use and service in accordance with instructions furnished by Icon Process Controls Ltd for a period of one year from the date of sale of such products. Icon Process Controls Ltd obligation under this warranty is solely and exclusively limited to the repair or replacement, at Icon Process Controls Ltd option, of the products or components, which Icon Process Controls Ltd examination determines to its satisfaction to be defective in material or workmanship within the warranty period. Icon Process Controls Ltd must be notified pursuant to the instructions below of any claim under this warranty within thirty (30) days of any claimed lack of conformity of the product. Any product repaired under this warranty will be warranted only for the remainder of the original warranty period. Any product provided as a replacement under this warranty will be warranted for the one year from the date of replacement.

Returns
Products cannot be returned to Icon Process Controls Ltd without prior authorization. To return a product that is thought to be defective submit a customer return (MRA) request form and follow the instructions therein. All warranty and non-warranty product returns to Icon Process Controls Ltd must be shipped prepaid and insured. Icon Process Controls Ltd will not be responsible for any products lost or damaged in shipment.

Limitations
This warranty does not apply to products which:

1. are beyond the warranty period or are products for which the original purchaser does not follow the warranty procedures outlined above;
2. have been subjected to electrical, mechanical or chemical damage due to improper, accidental or negligent use;
3. have been modified or altered;
4. anyone other than service personnel authorized by Icon Process Controls Ltd have attempted to repair;
5. have been involved in accidents or natural disasters; or
6. are damaged during return shipment to Icon Process Controls Ltd

Icon Process Controls Ltd reserves the right to unilaterally waive this warranty and dispose of any product returned to Icon Process Controls Ltd where:

1. there is evidence of a potentially hazardous material present with the product;

2. or the product has remained unclaimed at Icon Process Controls Ltd for more than 30 days after Icon Process Controls Ltd has dutifully requested disposition.

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If any portion of this warranty is held to be invalid or unenforceable for any reason, such finding will not invalidate any other provision of this warranty.

For additional product documentation and technical support visit:

FAQ

- **Q: What should I do if the product threads are damaged?**
  - A: Over tightening may permanently damage product threads. In case of damage, contact customer support for assistance.
- **Q: Can I use tools during installation?**
  - A: Do not use tools during installation as they may damage the product beyond repair and void the warranty.

Documents / Resources

	ICON Process Controls TI3B Series Insertion Paddle Wheel Flow Meter Sensor [pdf] User Guide TIB, TI3B, TI3B Series Insertion Paddle Wheel Flow Meter Sensor, TI3B Series, Insertion Paddle Wheel Flow Meter Sensor, Paddle Wheel Flow Meter Sensor, Flow Meter Sensor, Meter Sensor, Sensor

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