



## G103 SHORT STROKE LINEAR POSITION SENSOR INTRINSICALLY SAFE FOR HAZARDOUS GAS/VAPOUR ATMOSPHERES

- **Intrinsically safe for Gas to:** Class I, Zone 0 Ex ia / AEx ia **Class 1 Division 1**
- Non-contacting inductive technology to eliminate wear
- Travel set to customer's requirement
- **Short body length**
- Accurate, stable, durable and reliable
- Sealing to IP65/IP67 as required

As a leading designer and manufacturer of linear, rotary, tilt and intrinsically safe position sensors, Positek® has the expertise to supply a sensor to suit a wide variety of applications.

Our intrinsically safe G103 incorporates electronics system EX08 which is CSA approved for use in potentially explosive gas/vapour atmospheres. The G103 is designed for a wide range of industrial applications and is ideal for OEMs seeking good sensor performance in situations where a shortbodied sensor is required for operation in hazardous areas. The unit is compact and spaceefficient, being responsive along almost its entire length, and like all Positek® sensors provides a linear output proportional to travel. Each unit is supplied with the output calibrated to the travel required by the customer, from 2 to 50mm and with full EMC protection built in.

Overall performance, repeatability and stability are outstanding over a wide temperature range. The sensor has a rugged stainless steel body and plunger. It is easy to install and set up, mounting options include flange, M5 rod eye bearings and body clamps. The plunger can be supplied free or captive, with a female M4 thread, an M5 rod eye, magnetic tip, or spring-loaded with a dome end. The G103 also offers a wide range of mechanical options, environmental sealing is to IP65 or IP67 depending on selected cable or connector options.



#### **SPECIFICATION**

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Dimensions					
Body diameter	35 mm				
Body Length Dependant on calibrated travel & mounting option					
Calibrated Travel	Standard	Flange mounted			
Axial version					
2 mm to 10 mm	65 mm	81.3 mm			
11 mm to 20 mm	75 mm	91.3 mm			
21 mm to 30 mm	85 mm	101.3 mm			
31 mm to 50 mm	105 mm	121.3 mm			
Radial version					
2 mm to 10 mm	83.5mm	99.8 mm			
11 mm to 20 mm	93.5 mm				
21 mm to 30 mm	103.5 mm				
31 mm to 50 mm	123.5 mm	139.8 mm			
Plunger	Ø 6mm				
For full mechanical details see drawing G103-11					
Independent Linearity		5% FSO @ 20°C			
Temperature Coefficients					
F D	< ± 0.01%FS/				
Frequency Response	> 10 kHz (-3dl	5)			
Resolution	Infinite				
Noise	< 0.02% FSO	<b>,</b>			
Intrinsic Safety	Class I, Zone C Ex ia IIC T4 Ga				
	AEx ia IIC T4 (				
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Approval only applies to the specified ambient temperature range and atmospheric conditions in the range 0.80 to 1.10 Bar, oxygen  $\leq 21\%$ 

Sensor Input Parameters

(connector option/s) (cable option/s)

Ui: 11.4V, Ii: 0.20A, Pi: 0.51W. Ci: 1.16μF, Li: 50μH Ci: 1.36μF, Li: 710μH with 1km max. cable

**Environmental Temperature Limits** 

Operating Storage

-40°C to +80°C -40°C to +125°C IP65/IP67 depending on connector / cable option EN 61000-6-2, EN 61000-6-3

Sealing EMC Performance Vibration Shock IEC 68-2-6: 10 g IEC 68-2-29: 40 g 350,000 hrs 40°C Gf MTBF

**Drawing List** 

Sensor Outline 3D models, step or .igs format, available on request.

Do you need a position sensor made to order to suit a particular installation requirement or specification? We'll be happy to modify any of our designs to suit your needs please contact us with your requirements.





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Intrinsically safe equipment is defined as "equipment which is incapable of releasing sufficient electrical or thermal energy under normal or abnormal conditions to cause ignition of a specific hazardous atmosphere mixture in its most easily ignited concentration."

CSA approved to;

Class I, Zone 0 AEx ia IIC T4 Ga Ex ia IIC T4 Ga Class I, Division 1, Groups A, B, C, D; T4  $(Ta = -40^{\circ}C \text{ to } +80^{\circ}C)$ 

Designates the sensor as belonging to; Class I, Zone 0: can be used in areas with continuous, long or frequent periods of exposure to hazardous gas / vapours.

Protection class ia IIC, denotes intrinsically safe for Zones 0, 1 & 2 and IIA, IIB and IIC explosive gases.

Temperature class T4: maximum sensor surface temperature under fault conditions 135°C.

Ambient temperature range extended to -40°C to +80°C.

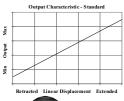
It is imperative Positek<sup>®</sup> intrinsically safe sensors be used in conjunction with a galvanic barrier to meet the requirements of the product certification. The Positek G005 Galvanic Isolation Amplifier is purpose made for Positek IS sensors making it the perfect choice. Refer to the G005 datasheet for product specification and output configuration options.

For cable lengths exceeding 10 metres a five wire connection is recommended to eliminate errors introduced by cable resistance and associated temperature coefficients.

CSA approved sensors suitable for dust (H series) applications, are also available from Positek.

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G103	Displacement	Α	Adjustments	Connections	Option	Option	Option	Option	Option	Z000

a <b>Displacement</b>		Value	
Factory set to any length (e.g. 0-36 mm)	from 0-2 mm to 0-50 mm	36	
b <b>Output</b>			
Supply V <sub>dc</sub> (tolerance)	Output	Code	
+5V (4.5 - 5.5V)	0.5 - 4.5V (ratiometric with supply)	A	
Supply Current 10mA typical, 12m	A max.		
c Calibration Adjustm	ents	Code	
Accessible default <sup>†</sup> <sup>†</sup> Axial version only. Radial version sealed by		blank	
Sealed	default.	Y	
d Connections			
Cable gland radial IP67 Pg9, metal, 3-core cable			
Cable gland radial IP67 Pg9, metal, 5-core cable IQx			
Connector axial IP65 4 pin (3+earth) DIN 43650 'C'			
Connector axial IP65 4 pin (3+earth) DIN 43650 'C', pre-wired 3-core cable			
Connector axial IP65 4 pin (3+earth) DIN 43650 'C', pre-wired 5-core cable			
Connector radial IP67 4 p	in M12 IEC 61076-2-101, nylon	K	
Connector radial IP67 4 pin M12 IEC 61076-2-101, nylon, pre-wired 3-core cable			
Connector radial IP67 4 pin M12 IEC 61076-2-101, nylon, pre-wired 5-core cable			
Cable gland axial IP67 M12, nylon, 3-core cable			
Cable gland axial IP67 M12, nylon, 5-core cable			
Cable gland, short <sup>†</sup> axial IP67, metal, 3-core cable			
Cable gland, short <sup>†</sup> axial IP67, metal, 5-core cable			





d Connections continued	Code
Specify required cable length 'xx' in cm. e.g. L2000 specifies axial cable gland wi cable, 50 cm supplied as standard. <b>Note!</b> maximum length supplied 15000cm. <sup>1</sup> N cable pull strength.	th 20 m of lb: restricted
e <b>Housing</b>	Code
Standard default	blank
Flange Mount 2 off 4.5 mm x 30 degree wide slots, 48 mm P.C.D.	N
M5 Rod-eye bearing radial version only	S
f Body Fittings	Code
None default	blank
Body Clamps 1 pair	P
g Sprung Plunger	Code
Not sprung default	blank
Spring extend captive plunger only. Note! Supplied loose without option 'T'	R
h Plunger Fittings	Code
Female thread M4x0.7x7 deep default	blank
Dome end with spring extend option 'R'	T
M5 Rod-eye Bearing	U
Magnetic Tip	WA
j <b>Plunger</b>	Code
Captive plunger is retained - default	blank
Non-captive plunger can depart body	V
k <b>Z-code</b>	Code
Calibration to suit G005 required	<b>Z000</b>
Option `J' with IP67 M12 IEC 61076-2-101 conn. No access to cal. Adjustments, must include option `Y'	<b>Z600</b>
Option 'J' with IP67 M12 IEC 61076-2-101 conn. with access to cal. adjustments	<b>Z601</b>
≤± 0.1% FSO @20°C Independent Linearity 0 - 10 mm min.	Z650
1/4" Rod eyes with options 'S' and/or 'U'	<b>Z827</b>

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# Three or Five-Wire Mode Connection FOR INTRINSICALLY SAFE SENSORS IN HAZARDOUS ATMOSPHERES

The aim of this document is to help readers who do not understand what is meant by three or five wire modes of connection between the galvanic isolation amplifier and sensor, and the factors behind them. It is by no means an in-depth technical analysis of the subject.

Whether opting for a pre-wired Positek<sup>®</sup> Intrinsically Safe sensor or one with a connector, choosing the right mode of connection and cable to suit the application requires careful consideration.

Interconnecting cables are not perfect conductors and offer resistance to current flow, the magnitude of resistance<sup>†</sup> depends on conductors resistivity, which changes with temperature, cross sectional area<sup>‡</sup> and length. If the voltage were to be measured at both ends of a length of wire it would be found they are different, this is known as volts drop. Volts drop changes with current flow and can be calculated using Ohm's law, it should be noted that volts drop occurs in both positive and negative conductors. The effects of volts drop can be reduced by increasing the conductors cross sectional area, this does not however eliminate the effects due to temperature variation. There are instances where large cross-section cables are not practical; for example most standard industrial connectors of the type used for sensors have a maximum conductor capacity of 0.75mm², copper prices and ease of installation are other considerations.

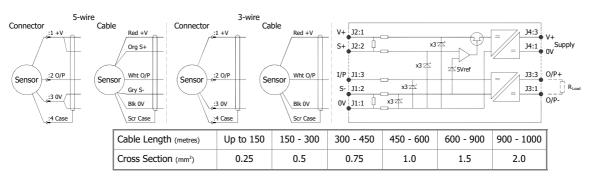
This is important because the effects of volts drop can significantly alter the perceived accuracy of the sensor which is ratiometric i.e. the output signal is directly affected by the voltage across the sensor. Changes in temperature will also be seen as gain variation in the sensor output.

**Three wire mode** connections are common and are suitable in most cases with short or moderate cable runs. Applications that do not require a high degree of accuracy but have cable runs, say in excess of 10m, volts drop can reduced by introducing a terminal box close to the sensor and using a larger cross-section cable for a majority of the cable run. Sensors supplied with three core cable are calibrated with the cable fitted which largely eliminates errors due to conductor resistance at room temperature however, as mentioned above, small gain errors due to temperature fluctuations should be expected.

Five wire mode connections have significant benefits as losses in the positive and negative conductors are compensated for by the galvanic isolation amplifier which can 'sense' the voltage across the sensor and dynamically adjust the output voltage so that the voltage across the sensor is correct. The effects of cable resistance and associated temperature coefficients are eliminated allowing for smaller conductors than a three wire connection for the same cable run. The amplifier can compensate for up to  $15\Omega$  per conductor with a current flow of 15mA, which is more than adequate for 150m of  $0.25\text{mm}^2$  cable, longer lengths will require larger conductors.

For this reason Positek® recommends five wire connections for cable lengths exceeding 10 metres in 0.25 mm² cable to preserve the full accuracy of the sensor.

See illustrations below for examples of connecting a sensor to the galvanic isolation amplifier.



The table above shows recommended conductor sizes with respect to cable length for both three and five wire connections, based on copper conductors. Three wire connections will introduce a gain reduction of 5% and a  $\pm 1\%$  temperature dependence of gain over the range -40°C to +80°C for the cable temperature. (i.e. about -150 ppm/°C for the maximum lengths shown and less pro rata for shorter lengths.)

It should be noted that the maximum cable length, as specified in the sensor certification, takes **precedence** and **must not** be exceeded.

Positek® sensors are supplied with three core 0.25 mm² cable as standard, however five core 0.25 mm² cable can be supplied on request. The galvanic isolation amplifier is available as;

G005-\*\*\* for 'G' and 'H' prefix sensors X005-\*\*\* for 'E', 'M' and 'X' prefix sensors

<sup>\*</sup>It is presumed that **d**irect **c**urrent flow is uniform across the cross-section of the wire, the galvanic isolation amplifier and sensor are a dc system.



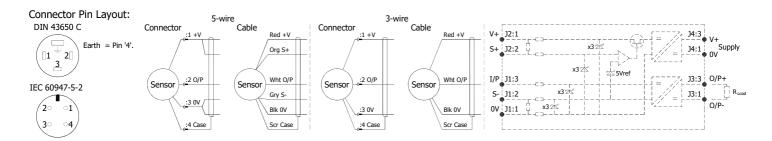
 $<sup>^{\</sup>dagger}$  R =  $\rho$ L/A  $\rho$  is the resistivity of the conductor ( $\Omega$ m) L is the length of conductor (m) A is the conductor cross-sectional area ( $m^2$ ).



## Generic Installation Information G SERIES SENSORS

## INTRINSICALLY SAFE FOR HAZARDOUS GAS/VAPOUR ATMOSPHERES

Certificate number 13.2588225			Ex ia IIC T4 Ga Class I, Zone 0, AEx ia IIC T4 Ga Class I, Division 1, Groups A, B, C, D; T4 (Ta = -40°C to +80°C)	
Electronics Version	Output Description:	Supply Voltage: V <sub>s</sub> (tolerance)	Load resistance:	
EX08	0.5 - 4.5V (ratiometric with supply)	+5V (4.5 - 5.5V) 10mA Nom.	5kΩ min	



#### **Putting Into Service:**

This sensor must only be installed, operated and maintained by competent and suitably trained personnel. The installation and maintenance must be carried out in accordance with all appropriate international, national and local standard codes of practice and site regulations for intrinsically safe apparatus. The use, installation, or maintenance of the sensor, in any other way than intended, may impair its operation or the protection it provides. The sensor must be used with a galvanic isolation barrier designed to supply the sensor with a nominal 5V and to transmit the sensor output to a safe area. The barrier parameters must not exceed:-

Ui = 11.4V Ii = 0.20A Pi = 0.51W

 $Ci = 1.36\mu F^*$   $Li = 860\mu H^*$  (with maximum length integral cable)

 $Ci = 1.16\mu F$   $Li = 50\mu H$  (without integral cable)

\*Figures for 1km cable where: Ci = 200pF/m & Li = 810nH/m

Cable characteristics must not exceed:-

Capacitance: ≤ 200 pF/m or max. total of: 200 nF Inductance: ≤ 810 nH/m or max. total of: 810 µH

Approval only applies to specified ambient temperature range and atmospheric conditions in the range: 0.80 to 1.10 Bar, oxygen  $\leq 21\%$ .

#### Markings and safety parameter information for product marked EX06, see annex 1.

#### **Environmental Conditions**

Pollution degree: 2 Installation category: I

Humidity 80% to temperatures up to 31 °C decreasing linearly to 50% rH at 40 °C; /// max 80% rh, non condensing. The sensor has been assessed for indoor use only. Where used outdoors suitable environmental protection *must* be provided.

#### **Special Condition for Safe Use:**

The apparatus does not meet the 500 V r.m.s dielectric strength test between circuit and frame, in accordance with clause 6.3.13 of IEC 60079-11:2011. This must be taken into consideration on installation.

Under certain extreme circumstances, the non-metallic and isolated metal parts incorporated in the enclosure of this equipment may generate an ignition-capable level of electrostatic charge. Therefore the equipment shall not be installed in a location where the external conditions are conducive to the build-up of electrostatic charge on such surfaces. This is particularly important if the equipment is installed in a zone 0 location. In addition, the equipment shall only be cleaned with a damp cloth.

#### Use:

The sensor is designed to measure Linear or rotary displacement and provide a proportional analogue output signal.

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#### **Assembly and Dismantling:**

The unit is not to be serviced or dismantled and re-assembled by the user.

WARNING: Substitution of components may impair intrinsic safety.

AVERTISSEMENT: La substitution de composants peut altérer la sécurité intrinsèque.

#### **Maintenance:**

No maintenance is required.

**Annex 1** - Markings and Entity Parameters for product with EX06 electronics system.

Ex ia IIC T4 (Ta= -40 to 80°C) AEx ia IIC T4 (Ta= -40 to 80°C)

> Ui = 11.4VIi = 0.20APi = 0.51W

Li = 710µH\* Li = 50µH  $Ci = 1.36 \mu F^*$ (with maximum length integral cable)

 $Ci = 1.16 \mu F$ (without integral cable)

\*Figures for 1km cable where: Ci = 200pF/m & Li = 660nH/m

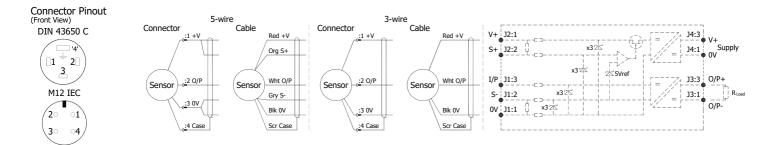
Cable characteristics must not exceed:-

Capacitance: ≤ 200 pF/m or max. total of: Inductance: ≤ 660 nH/m or max. total of: 200 nF





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N.b. sensors supplied with cable, the free end must be appropriately terminated.

Warning - The M12 IEC connector may be rotated for purposes of convenient orientation of the connector and cable, however rotating the connector more than one complete revolution is not recommended. Repeated rotation of the connector will damage the internal wiring!

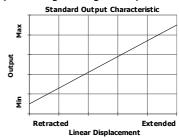
**Gain and Offset Adjustment:** (Where accessible - Typically  $\pm$  10% Min available) To adjust the gain or offset use a small potentiometer adjuster or screwdriver 2mm across. Do not apply too much

**Mechanical Mounting:** Depending on options, body can be mounted by flange, rod eye bearing or clamping the sensor body - body clamps are available, if not already ordered. Plunger mounted by M4x0.7 female thread, rod-eye bearing or magnetic tip - see

Output Characteristic: Plunger extended by, at start of normal travel: Standard: 24.5 mm\* from Ø35 mm face Flange Mount: 10 mm\* from flange face \*Note: where ball end option is fitted add 5 mm.

The output increases as the plunger extends from the sensor body, the calibrated stroke is

between 2 mm and 50 mm.



Calibration Adjustments

**Incorrect Connection Protection levels: Not protected** – the sensor is **not** protected against either reverse polarity or overvoltage. The risk of damage should be minimal where the supply current is limited to less than 50mA.

