

# **INSTRUCTION MANUAL**

# **REFLEX LEVEL INDICATOR**



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# Installation

Only properly trained personnel should install and maintain water gauge and connections. Remember to wear safety gloves and glasses during installation. Before installing, make sure all parts are free of chips and debris.

The Reflex Level Gauge is packed in separate pieces for protection during shipment. It is easy to assemble by following the guidelines in this manual. Upon unpacking, inspect all components for damage. Check the NK Instrument nameplate in the Gauge Housing Chamber to verify that the specifications of the Reflex Level Gauge are correct for the operating conditions. Contact NK Instruments if you have any questions or encounter any problems.

All liquid level gauges installation provided with gauge valve sets equipped with ball check shut-off. Gauge valve sets are designed to isolate the gauges from the pressure vessel when it becomes necessary to drain or service the gauges. The ball check shut-off is designed to retard leakage of the contained fluid in the event of gauge glass breakage.

The number of different types of gauge and valve installations is too great to adequately detail in an installation manual. It is, therefore, the user's responsibility to assure that the knowledgeable installation personnel plan and carry out installation in the safe manner. The following procedures are some of the installation guidelines that should be employed.

#### **1. Piping Strain**

The gauge should be mounted and connected so that it does not support any piping weight. Piping not properly supported, independent of the gauge, may not subject the gauge to stress that can cause leaks or glass breakage. Support brackets are available as an accessory.

#### 2. Differential Thermal Expansion

High mechanical loads may be imposed on a gauge by expanding and contracting pipes due to hot or cold service. Such mechanical loads on the gauge must be minimized by the use of expansion loops in the system. Failure to allow for expansion or contraction can result in leaks or glass breakage.

#### 3. Mirror Viewing

For added safety, a system of indirect viewing by means of mirrors should be installed to protect personnel from hazards of possible gauge failure.

#### 4. Nut Retouring

Nut re-torque is vital to the operation of a liquid level gauge because gaskets take permanent

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set under initial bolt loading at assembly. Tightening of nuts before installation is 40 ft. lbs. (Lubricated) is necessary to insure pressure-retaining capabilities of liquid level gauge to specific design ratings. The user must refer to the liquid level gauge model and assembly number and to the purchase order or tag to determine materials of construction.

Note : Failure to comply with the proper torqueing sequence or force/height value can lead to leakage, gasket blow-out or glass breakage resulting in gage failure, serious injury and / or property damage

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# **USE And Care**

#### DO NOT's

DO NOT use glass if it contains any scratches, chips, or any other visible signs of damage.

DO NOT reuse any glass packing.

DO NOT subject gauge glass to bending or torsional stresses.

DO NOT over tighten glass packing nuts.

DO NOT allow glass to touch any metal parts.

DO NOT exceed the recommended pressure of the gauge or gauge glass.

DO NOT clean the gauge or gauge glass while pressurized or in operation.

# DO's

DO verify proper gauge has been supplied.

DO examine gauge and packings carefully for damage before installation.

DO install protective guards and utilize automatic ball checks where necessary to help prevent injury in case of glass breakage.

DO inspect the gauge daily, keep maintenance records, and conduct routine replacements. DO protect glass from sudden changes in temperature such as drafts, water spray, etc.

#### Maintenance

Examine the gauge regularly for any signs of clouding, scratching, erosion, or corrosion. This will help establish the routine inspection and routine replacement schedules.

## Inspection

Examine the surface of the gauge for scratches, corrosion, chips, cracks, surface flaws, or nicks.

## **STORING**

Keep the gauge in original packaging until ready to install.

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