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CO₂/VOC Sensors

QPA63...





Sensors designed for sensing indoor air quality in rooms or air ducts; microprocessor-based units consisting of a selective photo-acoustic CO₂ sensor and a VOC¹⁾ sensor with a heated stannic dioxide semiconductor; operating voltage AC 24 V; output signals DC 0...10 V

VOC = volatile organic compounds (also called mixed gas)

Use

In ventilating and air conditioning plants to enhance room comfort and to optimize energy consumption by providing demand-controlled ventilation.

The sensor acquires the following:

- CO₂ concentration as an indicator for occupancy in rooms where smoking is prohibited
- VOC concentration as an indicator for combustible gases and odours (tobacco smoke, body odour, material fumes) in the room air

The sensor can be used as follows:

- · as a room sensor to measure room air quality
- as a duct sensor in conjunction with the ARG64 duct mounting set to measure extract air quality

Typical areas of use:

- to measure CO₂ and VOC concentration
 In party rooms, lounges, fair pavilions and exhibition halls, restaurants, canteens, shopping malls, sports gymnasiums, sales rooms, and conference rooms. In this case, the AQP63.1 ventilation demand processor, which calculates the ventilation demand signal for the ventilation controller based on the CO₂ and VOC signal, is required.
- to measure CO₂ concentration
 In rooms with varying occupancy at different hours where smoking is prohibited such as museums, theatres, movie theatres, auditoriums.

Note!

The sensors cannot be used as safety devices, such as gas or smoke warning devices!

Type summary

Type reference	Description
QPA63.1 QPA63.2	CO ₂ /VOC sensor without LEDs CO ₂ /VOC sensor with LEDs
ARG64	Duct mounting kit for QPA63

Ordering

When ordering, please give name and type reference, for example: CO_2/VOC sensor **QPA63.1**

Equipment combinations

The sensors are suited for use with all systems and devices capable of acquiring and handling the DC 0...10 V output signal, such as:

- UNIGYR®, VISONIK® or INTEGRAL
- TEC™, AEROGYR™ RWI65.02, POLYGYR® RWX..., DESIGO 30, or CLASSIC RKN...
- Ventilation demand processor AQP63.1 (data sheet no. 1959), to process the ventilation demand signal on CO₂/VOC measurement

For combinations with UNIGYR™, INTEGRAL, AEROGYR™ RWI65.02 and POLYGYR™ RWX..., application examples are available under order number CM1A1858.

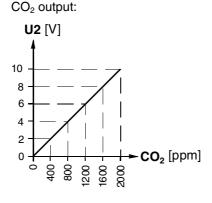
Mode of operation

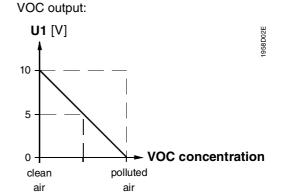
The sensor acquires the CO₂ and VOC concentrations in the room or in the extract air duct.

The CO_2 concentration is evaluated by the sensor. The output signal delivered (connection terminal U2) is proportional to the CO_2 content of the ambient air. The number of LEDs lit are proportional to the CO_2 concentration. The poorer the air quality, the more LEDs are lit.

The acquired VOC concentration is also passed on to a sensor output (connection terminal U1). The output signal provided is inversely proportional to the concentration of oxidizable gases (VOCs), such as tobacco smoke, CO, alcohol and body odours. This means that when the VOC concentration increases, the signal voltage will drop towards 0 V, and when the VOC concentration, decreases will rise towards 10 V. To evaluate the output signal, the AQP63.1 is required.

Function diagram





Legend

U1 Signal voltage at output U1 (VOC) in VU2 Signal voltage at output U2 (CO₂) in V

Explanation

1 ppm = 1 part per million

Mechanical design

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The sensors have been designed for wall mounting. They are suitable for use with most commercially available recessed conduit boxes. The cables can be introduced from the rear (concealed wiring) or from below or above (surface-run wires) through knockout openings.

All terminals are protected against false wiring.

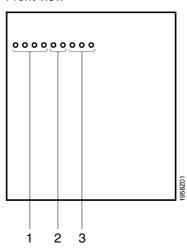
The units consist of two major parts: four-sectional housing and base. Both snap together but can be detached again.

The housing accommodates two sensing elements, the electronics and, depending on the type of sensor, various setting elements and LEDs.

The base carries the connection terminals.

Indicator lights (only with QPA63.2)

Front view



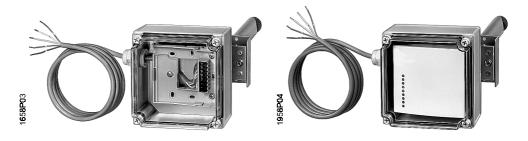
Legend

Disposal

The major plastic components bear the material references in compliance with ISO/DIS 11469 to facilitate environment-friendly disposal.

Duct mounting kit ARG64

The duct mounting kit has been designed to mount the sensor in the extract air duct. The kit consists of a two-sectional plastic housing and an attached metal rod with a clamped-on, adjustable duct fixing flange. At the bottom part of the rod, there is an air inlet (three holes) and an air outlet. The sensor mounting plate is installed in the lower part of the housing; the plate corresponds to the mounting plate of the QPA63... The upper part of the housing consists of a transparent and removable cover allowing readout of the values displayed by the QPA63.2.



ARG64 without QPA63...

ARG64 with QPA63.2

Engineering notes

The CO₂/VOC sensors operate on AC 24 V.



- The operating voltage must meet the requirements of safety extra-low voltage (SELV) to EN 60 730
- Use safety transformers with double insulation conforming to EN 60 742; the transformers must be suited for 100 % duty

The transformers must be sized and fused in compliance with local safety regulations. When sizing the transformer, consider the power consumption of the QPA63...



The CO₂/VOC sensors may not be used for safety related measurements of gas concentrations.

Duct mounting with the help of the ARG64:

- 1. When installing the sensor, do not reorientate the rod with respect to the direction of flow: (max. $\pm 10^{\circ}$).
- 2. Maximum permissible air velocity in the duct = 8 m/s
- 3. Maximum permissible temperature inside and outside the duct = 40 °C
- 4. Minimum duct immersion depth = 170 mm

Mounting notes

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Location: in the room or, with the duct mounting kit ARG64, in the extract air duct.

When mounting in a room, a location with typical air quality should be chosen, e.g. on an open wall, approximately 1.5...3 m above the floor. The sensor should not be mounted in niches, shelves, behind curtains, etc., or in locations where people are constantly present.

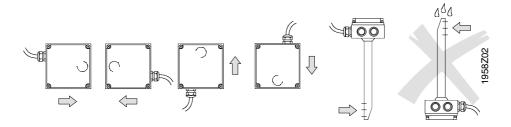
The permissible ambient conditions should be observed.

Mounting instructions are printed on the packing.

Duct mounting kit ARG64

Location: in the extract air duct, as close as possible to the air outlets.

Permissible and non-permissible mounting positions:



When mounting, do not reorientate the rod with respect to the direction of flow.

The mounting kit is supplied with mounting instructions.

Commissioning notes

Check the CO_2/VOC sensor functions 30 minutes following operating voltage supply as follows:

- check the CO₂ function: exhale on the sensor
- check the VOC function: touch the sensor with a cotton ball dowsed in alcohol (possibly gas from lighter, without flame)

Ventilation should start as soon as the preset switching level of the connected controller is reached.

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Technical data

Power supply Operating voltage (SELV) AC 24 V $\pm 20~\%$

Frequency 50/60 Hz

Power consumption max. 6 VA (3 W)

Range of use CO_2 measuring range $0...2000 \text{ ppm}^{1)}$ tolerance $\pm 100 \text{ ppm}$

VOC measuring range 0...10 V_{VOC}

Permissible air velocity in the duct <8 m/s

Measured value Voltage DC 0...10 V outputs U1, U2 Current $\pm 1 \text{ mA}$

Permissible line lengths

Copper cable 0.5 mm dia. 60 m

Copper cable 1 mm² 220 m

Copper cable 1.5 mm² 300 m

Copper cable 2.5 mm² 450 m

Connection terminals Screw terminals for 2 x 1.5 mm² or 1 x 2.5 mm²

Environmental Operation

conditions Climatic conditions

Temperature
Wall mounting -5...+45 °C

Duct mounting -10...+40 °C
Humidity (non-condensing) 5...95 % r.h.

Transport to IEC 721-3-2
Climatic conditions class 2K3

Temperature -25...+70 °C
Humidity <95 % r.h.
Mechanical conditions class 2M2

Electromagnetic Emissions EN 50 081-1 compatibility Immunity EN 50 082-1

C € conformity To EMC directive 89/336/EEC

Degree of protection, Housing

safety class QPA63... without ARG64 IP 30 to EN 60 529

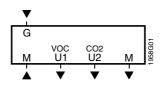
QPA63... with ARG64 IP 57 to EN 60 529
Safety class III to EN 60 730

Weight QPA63... approx. 0.1 kg

ARG64 0.69 kg

1) 1 ppm = 1 part per million

Connection diagram



G, M Operating voltage AC 24 V (SELV)

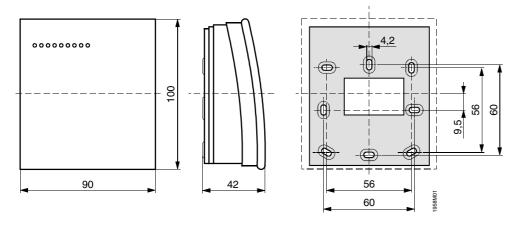
G System potentialM System neutral

U1 Signal output "Measured value VOC", DC 0...10 V
 U2 Signal output "Measured value CO₂", DC 0...10 V

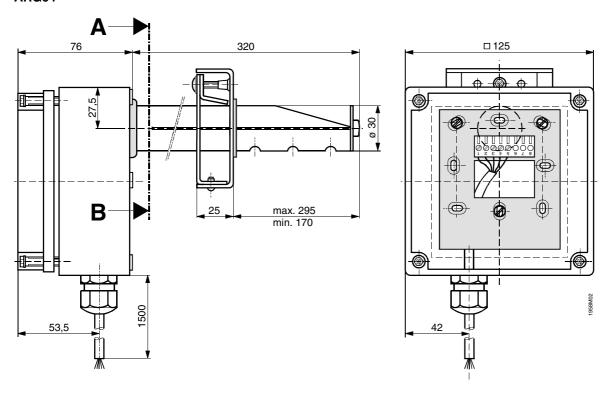
M Measuring neutral (terminals M are interconnected inside the sensor)

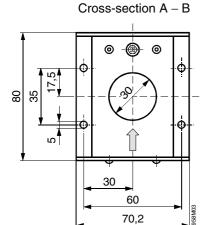
Dimensions

QPA63...



ARG64





Dimensions in mm

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