

AIR PRESSURE SENSING SWITCH
WITH ADJUSTABLE SET POINT
(SET POINT RANGE: 0.05" WC TO 12.0" WC)



MODEL AFS-228

APPLICATION

Model AFS-228 Air Pressure Sensing Switch is a general purpose proving switch designed for HVAC and Energy Management applications. It can be used to sense positive, negative, or differential air pressure.

DESCRIPTION & OPERATION

The plated housing contains a silicone diaphragm, a calibration spring and a snap-acting SPDT switch. The sample connections located on each side of the diaphragm accept 1/4" OD metallic tubing via the integral compression ferrule and nut.

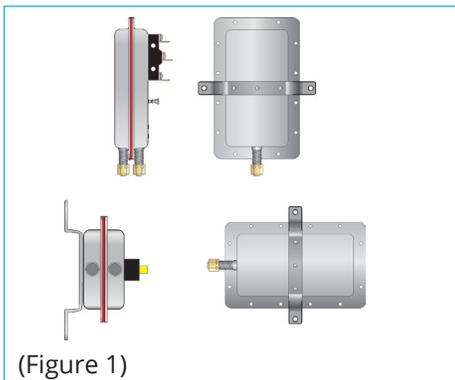
MOUNTING (FIGURE 1)

Select a mounting location that is free from vibration. Mount with the diaphragm in any vertical plane in order to obtain the lowest specified operating set point. Surface mount via the two 3/16" diameter holes in the integral mounting bracket. The mounting holes are 3-7/8" apart.

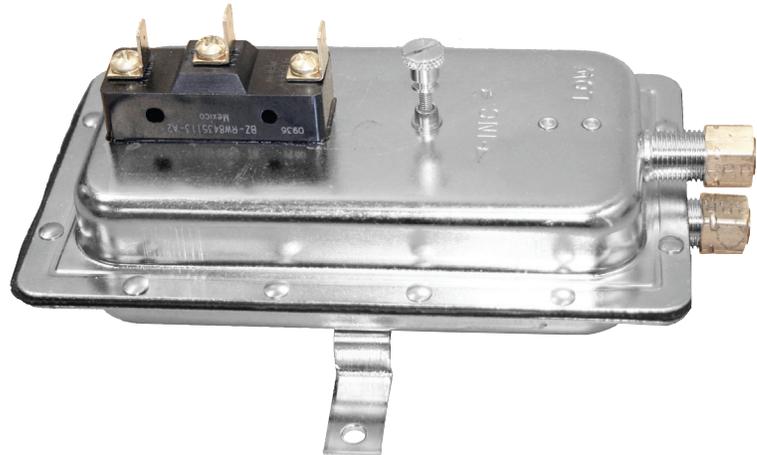
ELECTRICAL CONNECTIONS (FIGURES 3 & 4)

Before pressure is applied to the diaphragm, the switch contacts will be in the normally closed (NC) position. The snap switch has 1/4" 90° quick-connect spade terminals. Wire alarm and control applications as shown in Figure 4.

AIR SAMPLING CONNECTION



(Figure 1)



(FIGURE 2)

The AFS-228 is designed to accept firm-wall sample lines of 1/4" OD tubing by means of ferrule and nut compression connections. For sample lines of up to 10 feet, 1/4" OD tubing is acceptable. For lines up to 20 feet, use 1/4" ID tubing. A 1/4" OD adapter, suitable for slip-on flexible tubing is available: order part number 18311.

Locate the sampling probe a minimum of 1.5 duct diameters downstream from the air source. Install the sampling probe as close to the center of the airstream as possible.

Refer to Figure 2 to identify the high pressure inlet (H) and the low pressure inlet (L). Select one of the five application options listed below, and connect the sample lines as recommended.

POSITIVE PRESSURE ONLY: Connect the sample line to inlet H; inlet L remains open to the atmosphere.

NEGATIVE PRESSURE ONLY: Connect the sample line to inlet L; inlet H remains open to the atmosphere.

TWO NEGATIVE SAMPLES: Connect the higher negative sample to inlet L. Connect the lower negative sample to inlet H.

TWO POSITIVE SAMPLES: Connect the higher positive sample to inlet H. Connect the lower positive sample to inlet L.

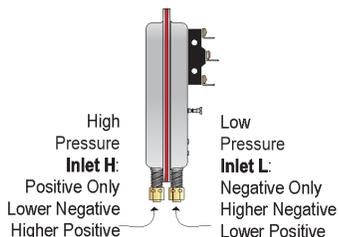
ONE POSITIVE & ONE NEGATIVE: Connect the positive sample to inlet H. Connect the negative sample to inlet L.

FIELD ADJUSTMENT

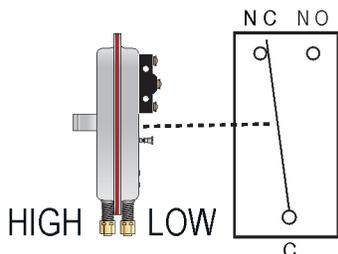
The adjustment range of an AFS-228 Air Switch is 0.05+0.035/-0.005" wc to 12.0" wc. To adjust the set point, turn the adjusting screw counterclockwise until motion has stopped. Next, turn the screw 4 complete turns clockwise to engage the spring. From this point, the next ten turns will be used for the actual calibration. Each full turn represents approximately 1.2" wc.

Please note: To properly calibrate an air switch, use a digital manometer or other measuring device to confirm the actual set point.

(Figure 2)

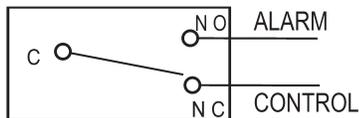


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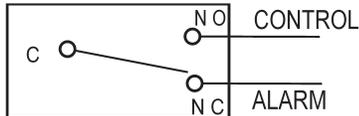


(Figure 3)

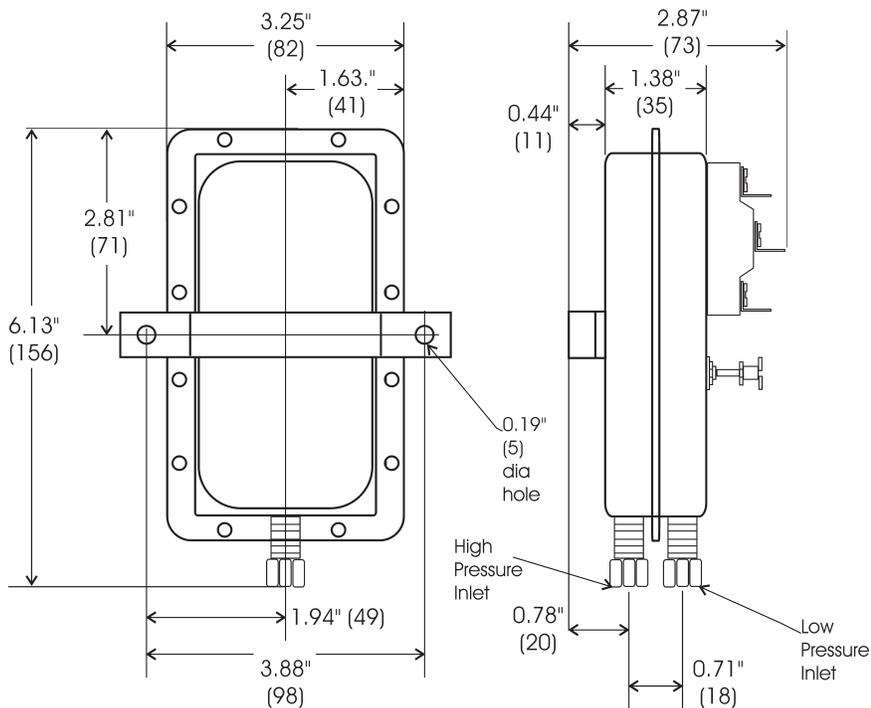
To prove excessive air flow or pressure:



To prove insufficient air flow or pressure:



(Figure 4)



Nominal Dimensions in Inches (Millimeters)

SPECIFICATIONS MODEL AFS-228



Mounting Position:

Mount with the diaphragm in any vertical plane.

Set Point Range:

0.05 + 0.035/-0.005" wc to 12.0" wc

Approximate Switching Differential:

Progressive, increasing from 0.02 ± 0.01" wc at min. set point to approximately 0.8" wc. at max. set point.

Measured Media:

Air, or combustion by-products that will not degrade silicone.

Maximum Pressure:

1/2 psi (0.03 bar).
Operating Temperature Range:
-40 °F to 180 °F (-40 °C to 82 °C).

Life:

100,000 cycles minimum at 1/2 psi maximum pressure each cycle and at maximum rated electrical load.

Electrical Rating:

300 VA pilot duty at 115 to 277 V ac,
15 Amps noninductive to 277 V ac,
60 Hz.

Contact Arrangement:

Electrical Connections:

1/4" 90° quick connect spade terminals.

Sample Line Connectors:

Male, externally threaded 3/16" -24 UNS 2A thread, complete with nuts and self-aligning ferrules.

Sample Line Connections:

Connectors accept 1/4" OD rigid or semi-rigid tubing.

Approvals:

UL, CSA, CE

Shipping Weight:

1.2 lbs.

Available Accessories:

- **Adapters for slip-on flexible tubing:**
Valox, female threaded / male duo-barb, suitable for 3/16" or 1/4" ID tubing. Consult factory for additional types.
- **PVG-1 Pressure-Vacuum Generator**
Compact constant air source
- **Model 6650 Digital Manometer**
Portable low air measurement device
- **Sample Line Probes**
- **Orifice Plugs (Pulsation Dampers)**

