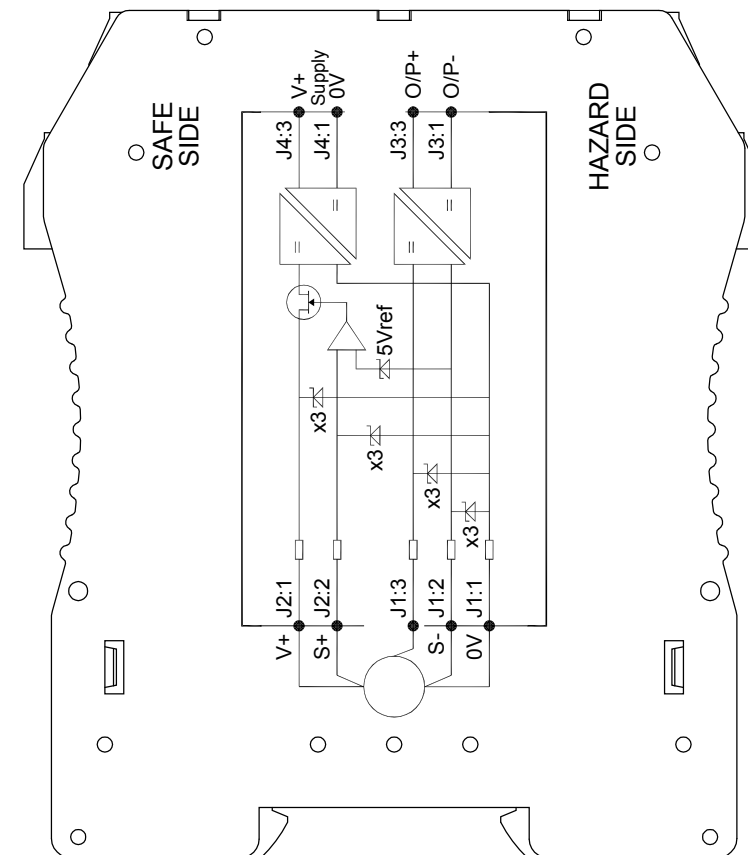
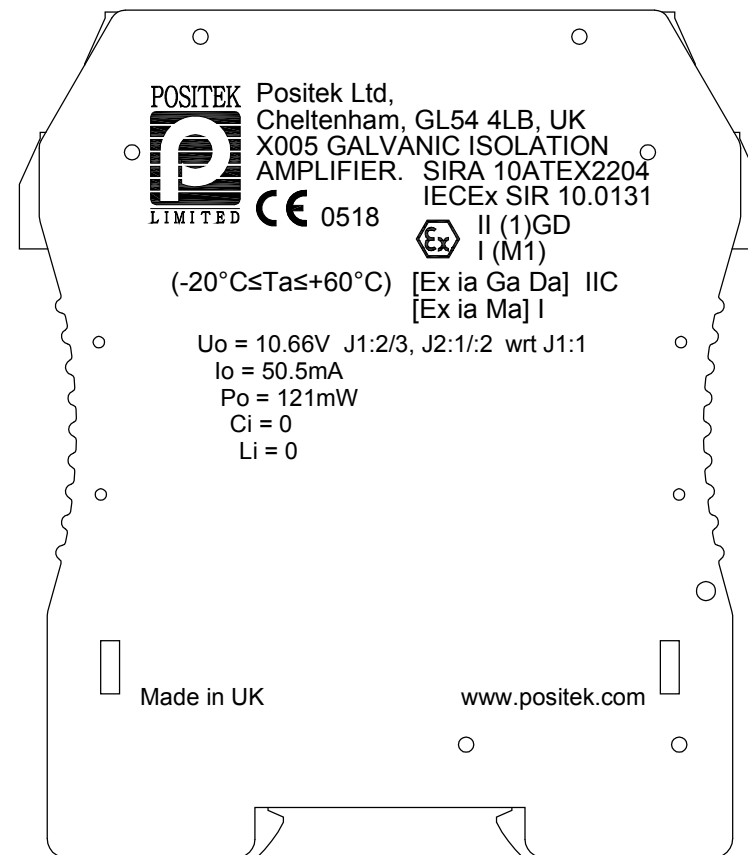
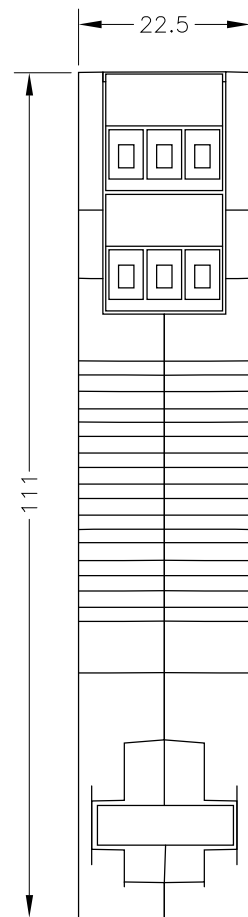
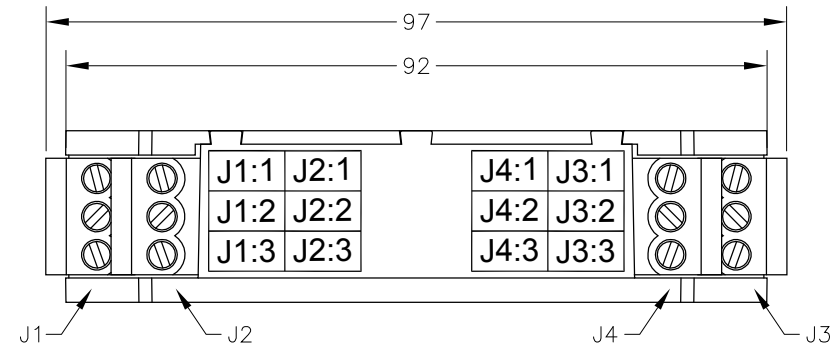
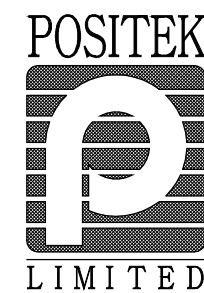


NOTES:-  
BEFORE USE READ INSTALLATION SHEET X005-19 FOR FULL INSTRUCTIONS.



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C	HINGE VIEW AMENDED	PDM
D	CASE CHANGED - RAN1198	RDS

DRAWINGS NOT TO BE CHANGED WITHOUT REFERENCE TO THE CHANGE PROCEDURE.  
 CHANGES TO PARTS USED IN INTRINSICALLY SAFE PRODUCT MUST BE APPROVED  
 BY THE AUTHORISED PERSON  
 THIS IS AN UNCONTROLLED PRINT AND WILL NOT BE UPDATED.



A	30/03/11	 CHECKED BY X ±0.4 X.X ±0.2 RDS X.XX ±0.1 DIMS mm
B	21/06/12	
C	21/05/13	
D	14/8/17	
DESCRIPTION		POSITEK GALVANIC ISOLATION AMPLIFIER ATEX / IECEx APPROVAL
DRAWING NUMBER X005-11 REV D		
SCALE 10mm		SHEET 1 OF 1



# 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® 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 0.75mm<sup>2</sup>, copper prices and ease of installation are other considerations.

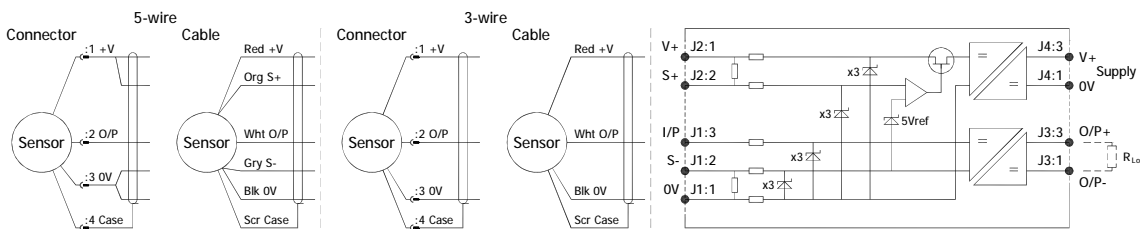
This is important because the effects of volts drop can significantly alter the perceived accuracy of the sensor which is ratiometric i.e. the output signal is directly affected by the voltage across the sensor. Changes in temperature will also be seen as gain variation in the sensor output.

**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 be 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 15Ω per conductor with a current flow of 15mA, which is more than adequate for 150m of 0.25 mm<sup>2</sup> cable, longer lengths will require larger conductors.

**For this reason Positek® recommends five wire connections for cable lengths exceeding 10 metres in 0.25 mm<sup>2</sup> cable to preserve the full accuracy of the sensor.**

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



Cable Length (metres)	Up to 150	150 - 300	300 - 450	450 - 600	600 - 900	900 - 1000
Cross Section (mm <sup>2</sup> )	0.25	0.5	0.75	1.0	1.5	2.0

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 ±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 mm<sup>2</sup> cable as standard, however five core 0.25 mm<sup>2</sup> 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>  $R = \rho L/A$   $\rho$  is the resistivity of the conductor ( $\Omega m$ )  $L$  is the length of conductor (m)  $A$  is the conductor cross-sectional area (m<sup>2</sup>).

<sup>‡</sup> It is presumed that direct current flow is uniform across the cross-section of the wire, the galvanic isolation amplifier and sensor are a dc system.

# Installation Information

## X005 GALVANIC ISOLATION AMPLIFIER

### INTRINSICALLY SAFE FOR HAZARDOUS ATMOSPHERES

IECEX / ATEX Qualified to Intrinsic Safety Standard Certificate numbers SIR 10.0131 & SIRA 10ATEX2204				Ex I (M1) / II (1)GD [Ex ia Ma] I Ta = -20°C ≤ Ta ≤ +60°C [Ex ia Ga Da] IIC Ta = -20°C ≤ Ta ≤ +60°	
Base Part N°	Module Supply Voltage:	Module Supply Current: (Nom.)	Sensor Supply Voltage	Sensor Supply Current	Conductor Resistance Compensation
X005-	24V Nom. (12-30V)	50mA Voltage O/P 70mA Current O/P	5V nom.	15mA max.	15Ω five wire mode
Option Code	Output Signal	Calibration	Comments		
545	0.5 to 9.5V	Standard Output	For Positek Z000 coded sensors		
546	9.5 to 0.5V	Reverse Output			
425	4 to 20mA	Standard Output			
426	20 to 4mA	Reverse Output			
010	0.5 to 9.5V	Standard Output	For Positek sensors previously manufactured for use with BX002 i.e. Z010 Note: X005 does not have the same pin connections as BX002		
420	4 to 20mA	Standard Output	For Positek sensors previously manufactured for use with BX003 i.e. Z420 Note: X005 does not have the same pin connections as BX003		
001	0.5 to 9.5V	Standard Output	For Potentiometers		
002	9.5 to 0.5V	Reverse Output			
003	4 to 20mA	Standard Output			
004	20 to 4mA	Reverse Output			

**Putting Into Service:** This module 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.

**Safety parameters:-**

Um	=	253V	connector J4 pin 3 with respect to pin1		
Uo	=	10.66V	connectors J1 and J2 pins 1 and 2 with respect to J1 pin 1		
Io	=	50.5mA			
Po	=	121mW			
	Group	IIC	IIB	IIA	
Co	=	2.23μF	15.6μF	69.0μF	
Lo	=	14mH	53mH	112mH	
or L/R Ratio	=	295μH/Ω	1178μH/Ω	2357μH/Ω	
Ci	=	0μF			
Li	=	0mH			

**Use:** The X005 Galvanic Isolation Amplifier is designed to supply a sensor, operating in hazardous environment, with an isolated and resistively limited dc supply and also isolate and amplify the sensor output for transmission in the safe area. This module has been designed to meet the requirements of Associate Apparatus for Category 'ia'.

**Maintenance:** This module **must not** be installed in a position where;

It may be exposed to excessive accumulation of dust.

It may be attacked by aggressive substances.

It may be subjected to mechanical or thermal stresses in excess of those permitted in the certification documentation.

Access to the circuitry **must not** be made during operation.

This module **cannot** be repaired by the user and **must** be replaced by another suitably certified part. Repairs can only be carried out by the manufacturer or approved repairer.

**Mechanical Mounting:** The housing is designed to be mounted on 35x7.5 mm top-hat rail (DIN 46277-3). It is recommended that this module is mounted inside a suitable enclosure.

This module **must not** be installed in the hazardous area **without** the further provision of certified hazardous area protection.

**Electrical Connections:** The screw terminal connector blocks can be removed to simplify panel wiring or replacement of a damaged module. The connector blocks are key coded to reduce the chance of cross connection and can accommodate conductors with a cross section of 0.2 to 2.5mm<sup>2</sup> (26-12 AWG).



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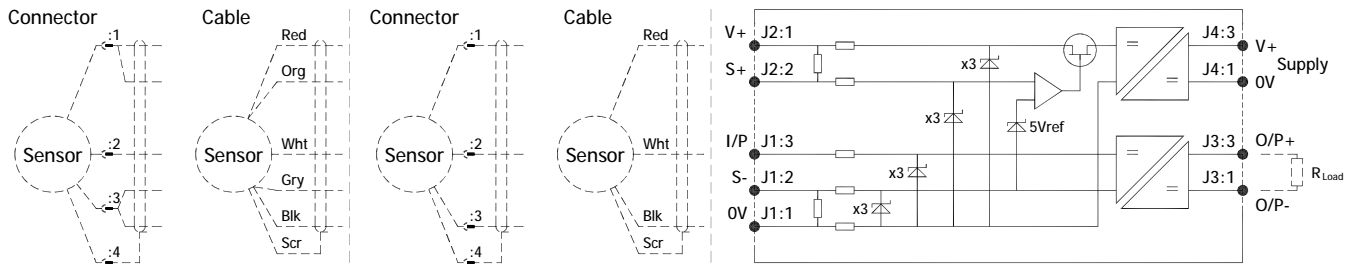
## X005 GALVANIC ISOLATION AMPLIFIER

### INTRINSICALLY SAFE FOR HAZARDOUS ATMOSPHERES

This module has been designed to drive a sensor, or potentiometer, in either three or five wire mode.

In three wire mode conductor resistance is not compensated, which can result in perceived inaccuracies due to volts drop down the cable. Increasing conductor cross section reduces some of the effects of conductor resistance.

In five wire mode up to 15Ω resistance in each conductor can be compensated for, while providing the sensor with a current of 15mA. This mode is recommended for all applications requiring high degrees of accuracy and / or where the cable length between module and sensor is greater than 10 metres.



Cable Length (metres)	Up to 150	150 - 300	300 - 450	450 - 600	600 - 900	900 - 1000
Cross Section (mm <sup>2</sup> )	0.25	0.5	0.75	1.0	1.5	2.0

To ensure correct operation of both Amplifier and sensor, the following restrictions on conductor cross section and cable length limits are set out in the table above (figures are based on copper conductors);

**Output Characteristic:** The safe area output changes with respect to the hazardous area input, span and slope dependant on selected option code, see table on page 1.

**Incorrect Connection Protection Levels:** Safe area connections are reverse polarity protected.