Operating Manual

Infrared Point Gas Detector GD10-P00





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Note

This manual must be carefully read by those who have or will have the responsibility for the operation or maintenance of this product. The product may not perform as designed if it is not used and maintained in accordance with the manufacturer's instructions.

The warranties made by Simtronics with respect to the product are voided if the product is not used and maintained as described in this manual.

Please read the general warnings in chapter 7.

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1. **PRODUCT DESCRIPTION**

The GD10P has been designed with features that provide an effective response to the detection of gas hazards in a wide range of industrial environments from boiler plant rooms to offshore petrochemical installations.

These infrared gas detectors differ from all other models, because they utilise silicon based solid-state infrared sources. The complete optomechanical design and construction is so stable that an ultra fast speed of response can be achieved whilst providing unparalleled service life and detector stability, thus saving on maintenance and service costs.

We offer the longest combined detector and IR source warranty on the market.

For retrofit applications, a bridge interface is available allowing the detector to be connected directly to catalytic systems, using the existing cabling and control modules.

Supplied with worldwide performance (CSA / CENELEC) and hazardous area approvals.

Suitable for use in SIL 2 and SIL 3 systems.

Compared with catalytic sensors, the GD10P has the following advantages:

- Presence of oxygen is not required for correct measurement, which makes the GD10P suitable even in an inert gas atmosphere.
- No possibility of poisoning of the detector since no chemical reaction occurs, i.e. silicon vapours and H₂S have no effect on the detector or the measurement.
- The gas flow rate has no influence on accuracy.
- There are no saturation effects which could lead to false measurements. Thus, the detector is capable of measuring gas concentrations up to 100% vol.
- The detector has a continuous self-test function, and reports dirty optics and fault conditions to the control system.
- Total system costs can be dramatically reduced with the GD10P:
- High reliability results in low test frequency and no calibration costs.

2. TECHNICAL SPECIFICATIONS

Version: 0-100%LEL Methane, 5 sec. response time. (Specification for other types on request)

GENERAL Detection method	IR-absorption, dual wavelength, dual path
IR-Source	Solid state IR source, 50Hz flash
Gases detected	Detector versions for several hydrocarbons as well as CO2.
Self-test	Continuous
Calibration	Factory set, no field recalibration
PERFORMANCE Lifetime stability *)	±5% of full scale (FS) reading
Accuracy *)	±3% FS between 0-50 % reading
	±5% FS between 50-100 % reading
Response time	T20 = 1 sec. (Option 0.3 sec)
	T50 = 2.5 sec. (Option 0.7 sec)
	T90 = 6 sec. (Option 1.6 sec)
Start-up time *)	Less than 60 sec., measuring 30 min. full specification
	*) Refers to -20°C to + 45°C
DETECTOR WARNINGS Early Dirty Optics	55% signal attenuation
Dirty Optics	70% signal attenuation
Detector failure	Main function fault or blocked optics.
OUTPUT SIGNAL Standard	Current source 4 – 20 mA, max. load impedance 500 Ohm
Option	Current sink 4 – 20 mA
Maintenance	HART® interface

ELECTRICAL	
Power supply	24 V DC, range18-32 V DC
Power consumption	Approx. 3.5 W
Connection	3 wires (0.5mm2 - 1.5mm2)
Cable entry	M20 EExe cable gland
TEMPERATURE RANGE Storage	-40°C to + 70°C (-40°F to +158°F)
Operating	-40°C to + 65°C (-40°F to +149°F)
Humidity (operation)	100% RH
HOUSING Main compartment	Exd IIC T6 Gb
Terminal comp.	Exe
Protection category	IP66/IP67 DIN 40050
Housing material	Stainless steel SIS2343 (ASTM 316)
Weight	Approx. 2.9 kg (6.4 Lbs)
Dimensions	264L x 104W x 106H (mm)*10.4 x 4.1 x 4.2 (inches)

WARRANTY

5 years full warranty on complete instrument

15 years warranty on the IR-sources

3. INSTALLATION

The area in which the detector may be installed must be in accordance with the certification of the detector and in accordance with the standards of the appropriate authority in the country concerned.

3.1. Positioning

The detector should be mounted where gas leakage is most likely to occur. To detect methane, which is lighter than air, inside an enclosed area the detector should be mounted high in the area to be protected or immediately above potential leakage sites.

To detect gases heavier than air, e.g. propane, the detector should be mounted below the potential leakage site.

The detector should be mounted in a place where maintenance, i.e. cleaning of the optics, is easily performed.

The detector may be mounted in areas where no oxygen is present.

The detector may be mounted in areas with strong airflow

The detector should NOT be mounted where it could be exposed to water drenching.

3.2. Fixing

The detector is mounted by means of a projecting mounting leg using two M8 screws and washers, or by means of the Duct Mounting Flange Kit (4 x M8 screws).

The detector should be mounted so that the longitudinal axis of the detector is horizontal. This will prevent accumulation of water and dust on the optics. The Weather Protection must always be oriented correctly for optimal performance.



Figure 3.1 GD10P mounted by means of mounting feet

3.3. Weather protection

When the GD10P is mounted outdoors, the flow direction indicator must point upwards.

See "Flow Direction Indicator" in Fig. 3.2 below. Orientation of the Weather Protection is performed as follows:

- Use a screwdriver to loosen the two screws on the Weather Protection
- Rotate the Weather Protection to correct position
- Tighten the screw with a torque of max. 0.5 Nm

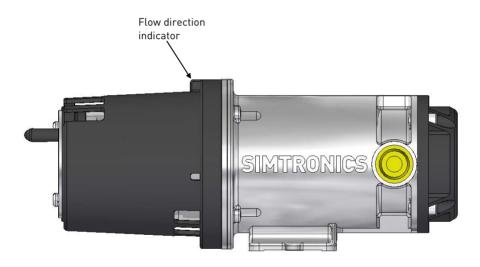


Figure 3.2 Orientation of GD10P weather housing in relation to flow direction

3.4. Duct or pipe mounting

If installed in a ventilation duct or pipe, the mounting arrangement and accessories shown in Figure 3.3 and 3.4 should be used.

The Duct Mounting Bracket shown in Fig. 3.3 allows the GD10P to be positioned in the core of the airflow in wide ducts or pipes.

Avoid direct light on lens and mirror if the GD10P is mounted without the Weather Protection.

In order to achieve minimum response time, the Weather Protection must be oriented with the flow direction indicator facing into the air flow. See Figure 3.2 and 3.4

The sensor must be mounted in straight parts of the duct with undisturbed airflow. Avoid areas with possible turbulent flow e.g. immediately after sharp bends or junctions.

The kit includes a modified weather protection as well as piping for functional testing.

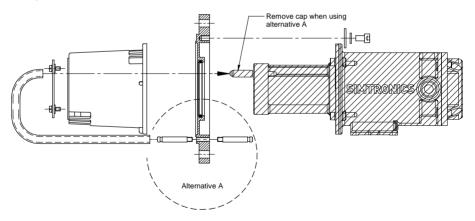


Figure 3.3 Exploded view, Duct Mount Flange Kit

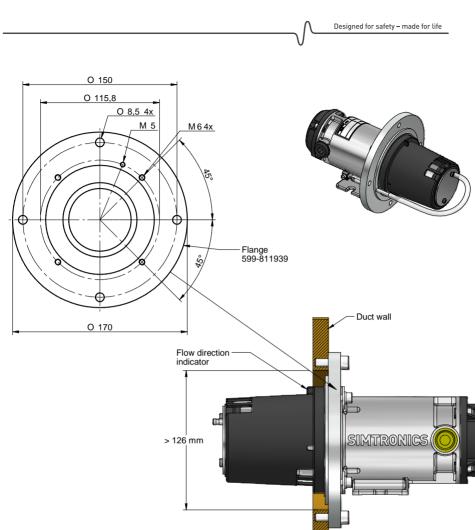


Figure 3.4 Ventilation duct or pipe mounting using Duct Mounting Flange Kit Refer to: Figure 3.3 for details.

3.5. External cable

The cable type must be chosen in accordance with applicable regulations.

The table below indicates maximum cable lengths (2-wire) restrictions due to voltage drop over the power supply cable.

Single wire cross area	0,5 mm ²	0,9-1 mm ²	1,5 mm ²
Supply voltage 24VDC	250m	500m	750m

3.6. Electrical connection

The terminal compartment is accessible by removing the circular terminal cover. (Loosen the four M5 bolts).

The terminal compartment, including the terminals for electrical connection, is shown below.

The installation wiring enters the terminal compartment via a single M20 EExe cable gland, which can be mounted on either side of the compartment. The unused entry is blanked with an Exe cover.

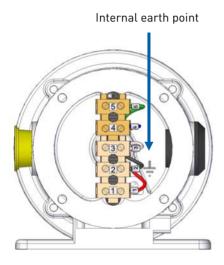


Figure 3.5 Terminal compartment

Terminal 5	Factory use only
Terminal 4	Factory use only
Terminal 3	4-20 mA output
Terminal 2	24 V return (0 V)
Terminal 1	+24 VDC



External earth point

The detector housing must be connected to local ground via the external earth point. The wire should be minimum 4 mm² (8 AWG) and as short as possible.

The shield of the cable should be connected to instrument earth in the central control module, and is normally not terminated at the detector. Exception: If extra RFI protection is required, and the installations grounding principles/regulations allows it, the shield is terminated to local ground via the internal earth point at the detector.

On UL variants, the terminal compartment is not used. Cables are instead led out of a bushing, and each cable termination is numbered as above.

4. COMMISSIONING

4.1. Visual inspection

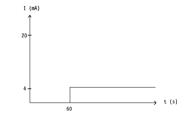
The following should be checked before initial powering up:

- The axis of the detector shall be horizontal.
- Correct cable gland installation
- Electrical connection
- Electrical grounding
- Termination of cable shield
- Orientation of the weather protection
- All bolts and screws are tight

Please refer to the Installation chapter for details.

4.2. Power up

Ensure that system wiring and control system are in working order before powering the detector. The startup period takes about 60 seconds, a functional self-test is performed during this time. When the self-test is completed the detector turns over to measuring mode. The 4-20mA output will stay at 0mA during the 60 seconds startup period and 4mA (if no gas is



present) in measuring mode. The graph on the left shows the reading of the 4-20mA analog output during startup period.

4.3. Checking system functions

The GD10P is factory calibrated, and does not require any adjustments before operation. A check prior to putting into service should however consist of:

1) Clean the optical surfaces

The detector may have been collecting dirt after being initially installed. It is thus crucial to clean the optical parts before testing the detector. Please refer to: "6.1 Cleaning of optical lens/mirror".

2) Do a gas test

To make sure the detector works you should as a minimum do a function check as described in "6.2 Function test". Optionally you may do a full calibration test as described in "6.3 Calibration test".

5. **OPERATION**

5.1. Analogue Output Protocol

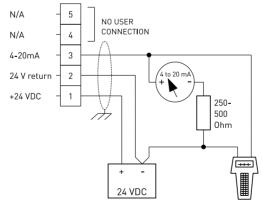
Gas reading and fault signalling is given through the 4-20mA current loop interface. The table below shows the analogue output level for the various conditions.

Condition	Analogue output		Comment	
Normal gas reading	4 mA - 20 mA		4 mA = 0% of range 20 mA = 100% of range (or higher)	
Early Dirty Optics Warning (55% signal reduction)	2 mA	*)	Detector will still output gas concentration if > 7 % LEL	
Dirty Optics Warning (70% signal reduction)	1 mA	*)	No detection	
Detector Fault	< 0,5 mA	*)	No detection	

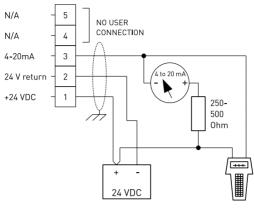
*) Shows default factory setting. Can be configured via HART® terminal

5.2. HART® Interface

Simtronics GD10P detector supports generic HART®. For access to the detectors HART® features, connect an industry standard HART® communicator as shown in the following figures depending on the type of analogue interface (source or sink).



HART® terminal connection for source variant H12001EN



HART® terminal connection for sink variant

The following sections describe the HART® commands/functions supported by the GD10P:

5.2.1. Current Gas reading

Read Primary Variable (command #1), returns the current gas reading.

5.2.2. Detector Variables

"Read all dynamic Variables and Current" (Command #3), returns the following:

- "Secondary Variable": Current internal temperature of the detector
- "Tertiary Variable": Current strength of the optical transmission path
- "Fourth Variable": Maximum temperature the detector has been exposed to

5.2.3. Detector Information

Through standard HART® Universal commands (detailed user interface vary from one HART® terminal to another), specific information may be written to the detector and read back from the detector. Information supported: Tag (R/W), Descriptor (R/W), Message(R/W), Date (R/W) and Detector Serial number (R/W).

5.2.4. Configure Detector Response Time

"Write Damping Value" function (command #34) is used to configure the detector response time. "Damping Value" = 1 turns the detector to Fast mode (1 second response time) and "Damping Value" = 5 turns the detector to Normal mode (5 second response time).

5.2.5. Zeroing

"Set Primary Variable Zero" function (command #43) is used when trimming of the zero level of the gas detector is required. When the Set Primary Variable Zero is activated, the analogue output is dropped down to 1mA to indicate the on-going zeroing process, which takes about 3 minutes to complete. The analogue output returns to the actual zero (4mA) when zeroing process is completed. If the Zero level is not improved after the zeroing, the reason is that the zero drift is over the allowed limit for field trimming.

5.2.6. Fixed Output

A fixed analogue output level can be used to test the analogue output loop. Such fixed analogue output level can be obtained with the function "Enter/Exit Fixed Current Mode" (command #40). The possible level that may be fixed at the output is in the range (0.5-3) mA and (5.5-20) mA.

5.2.7. Configuration of the fault levels

Reconfiguration of the fault levels can be made by writing a Hash Code to the detector via the command "Write Message" (command #17). (The stored message is not changed by this action). After a reconfiguration, it is recommended to restart the detector and verify the new settings by simulating different alarm/warning states. A current meter may be used to read the level at the analogue output.

Hash Code:	Detector fault	Early Dirty Optics (see note 1)	Dirty Optics
#WF00000 (factory default)	<0.5mA	2mA	1mA
#WF01000	1mA	3mA	2mA
#WF02 X₂X₃X₄	X ₂ =0 (0 mA) X ₂ =1 (1 mA) X ₂ =2 (2 mA) X ₂ =3 (3 mA)	X3=0 (alarm off) X3=1 (1 mA + pulsing) X3=2 (2 mA) X3=3 (3 mA)	X4=0 (0 mA) X4=1 (1 mA) X4=2 (2 mA) X4=3 (3 mA)

Note 1: If in "Early Dirty Optics" state, the detector will switch to standard output level when gas reading is >7% of detection range.

Note 2: The "O" in "#WFO", is the letter 0, not the number 0.

6. MAINTENANCE

The GD10P has no user adjustable parts. It is not recommended to open the GD10P, as this will change the internal atmosphere, and the initial calibration could be affected. Opening the GD10P voids all warranty offered at the time of sale.

6.1. Cleaning of optical lens/mirror

Remove the weather protection by unscrewing the front cover plate (two screws), use a soft, clean tissue to rub off the contamination. The window and mirror are made of sapphire, which is highly resistant to scratching. Make sure that the whole optical surface is clean.

For difficult contaminants the mirror and lens can be cleaned with an equal-part mixture of isopropyl alcohol and water. Do not perform any testing of the detector before this solution has dried and residues have been wiped away.

6.2. Function test

In order to perform function test of the detector, a test gas can be applied through a 6 mm test nozzle on the front of the Weather Protection housing as the drawn shown below and observe the effect on the detector 4-20mA analog output or through the control system.

This is a simple test to verify the main function of the detector, please note the actual reading may be substantially lower than the calibration gas concentration due to leaks/ventilation of the weather protection. As long as the detector responds to the gas, the function of the detector is verified.

1) Clean the optical surfaces

2) Verify that the zero point (at no gas) is within the tolerance for the detector. Normal readings should be below 4.5mA

3) Apply gas as shown. If there is no air movement, a test gas flow of minimum four liters per minute will give approximately the same value as the test gas.

If there is an air movement of 0.5 m/sec., the test gas flow has to be increased (up to 20 liters per minute) to get a reasonable reading. Covering the ventilation grille will also help getting a



higher reading. However, you may not be able to reach the actual gas concentration, any reading above 10% is OK.

6.3. Calibration test

A calibration test is not required to verify the correct function of the detector. Normal maintenance testing of the detector is covered by the simple function test in section 6.2. The following calibration test is only applicable if it is required by regulations or in cases where you need to verify system performance during commissioning or similar thorough testing.

The GD10P detectors have a fixed calibration from the factory. A calibration test is thus just a test. There are no means to change the calibration on-site.

In order to perform calibration test, use a calibrated gas and apply it via a Sample Flow Housing (reg. no. 499-810874).

1) Remove the Weather Protection and clean the optical surfaces.

2) Attach the Sample Flow Housing. This is just press fit with two o-ring seals. Please note that the seals are not equally sized, so note the location of the test nozzle close to the detector housing.

3) Apply a certified test gas of approx. 50 % of GD10P calibrated range as shown in the drawing. The test gas should be the same as the target gas.

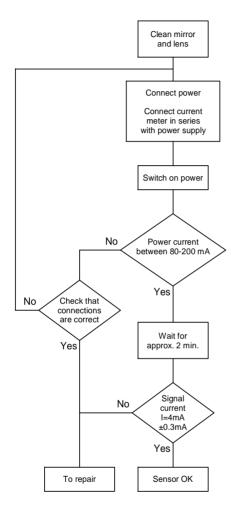
Gas flow should be approx. 1 liter/minute.

Wait approx. 2 min. to ensure that the Sample Flow Housing is completely filled with gas.

Read detector output or read output through the gas detection system. The reading should be within the tolerance of the detector plus the tolerance of the test gas. In practical terms this is the gas concentration +/-10% of full scale.



6.4. Fault finding



The internal microprocessor performs continuous self-testing of optical and electronic functions.

If a fatal error should occur in the electronics or optics, the processor will generate a OmA output signal, indicating detector failure. The detector should then be checked according to flow chart on the left. Do not return the instrument to the supplier for repair if this test has not been performed.

If the IR transmission in the optical path is attenuated to 50-70% of its original value, the output signal will go down to Early Dirty Optics (warning).

If the IR transmission is further attenuated, the output signal will go down to Dirty Optics (fault). In this condition the detector will not detect gas.

If the optics is contaminated, wipe the optics with a clean cloth and mild detergent according to instructions in section. 6.1. The optics must be cleaned even if they appear not to be contaminated.

Avoid direct light on lens and mirror if testing without the Weather Protection.

Ensure that no gas is present in the measuring chamber when testing.

7. WARNINGS

This document is not contractual. The specifications may be modified without notice to improve the product, or to meet applicable standards.

7.1. Ownership and confidentiality

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7.2. Liability

The liability of SIMTRONICS shall be limited to any direct prejudice resulting from failure on SIMTRONICS part to fulfil the contract. SIMTRONICS shall decline all liability for any indirect prejudice caused.

By explicit agreement between the parties, the term "indirect prejudice" shall refer in particular to any financial loss, moral damage, loss of profit, earnings, clients or order, or any action taken against the client by a third party.

Moreover, any damages due from SIMTRONICS for any reason whatsoever shall not exceed the tax-exclusive value of the contract, except in the event of an intentional or fraudulent offence on the part of SIMTRONICS.

Application of the equipment warranty is subject to compliance with the state of the art and the operating instructions contained in this manual.

The SIMTRONICS warranty shall not apply, furthermore SIMTRONICS declines all liability, for damage to equipment or harmful accidents caused by negligence, failure to supervise the equipment or failure to use the equipment in compliance with the applicable recommendations, standards and regulations stipulated in the present manual.

The SIMTRONICS warranty shall not apply to faults resulting either, from materials supplied by the Purchaser, from design imposed by the Purchaser, from servicing or maintenance carried out on SIMTRONICS equipment by a third party not explicitly authorized, or from the use of unsuitable storage conditions.

8. WARRANTY

The GD10P comes with a 5 year warranty on the product. The warranty covers correct function inside specified tolerances. Faulty detectors under warranty will be repaired or replaced.

9. CERTIFICATIONS AND STANDARDS

9.1. Standards

The GD10P has been certified according to:

Atex Directive 94/9/EC

EMC Directive 89/336/EEC Article 4

MED Directive 86/89/EC amended by directive 2009/26/EC

Specific standards related to each directive and approval

9.2. Approvals

Description	Simtronics reference
Nemko, 07 ATEX1438	806-813901
Nemko, IECEx NEM 07.0006	806-816612
ABS, 04-0S495697-X	806-812498
INMETRO, TÜV 11.0314	806-816761
DnV, MED-B-5901	806-816800
UL, 092502-E219548	806-814172
CSA, 1773527 (Note: HART® output is not evaluated for performance testing to Standard C22.2 No. 152	806-816248 2.)

9.3. Marking

The GD10P identification labels are shown in the figures below. The composition of the label is in accordance with the relevant certification.

Atex Directive 94/9/EC, IEC Ex and INMETRO (Brasil) marking:



CSA marking for CO2 detection:

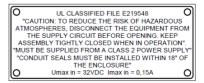
MC224046	GD10-		
	le IIC T6 to +65°C)	Input rated 18 0.3A, 3.5W. Output: 4-20n	C
Warning: Understand manual before operating	Reg.No	Prod.Year	S.No

CSA marking for combustible gas detection:

MC224046	GD10-		
Ex C	2.2 No.152 le IIC T6 to +65°C)	Input rated 18 0.3A, 3.5W. Output: 4-20n	Ċ
Warning: Understand manual before operating	Reg.No	Prod.Year	S.No

UL marking:

SIMTRONICS Norway	GD10	
O (III) shock and explosion		Class 1 Div 1, Group C&D Class 1 Zone 1, Group II B
Reg.No		Prod.Year S.No



9.4. Explanation of product coding

GD10-P00-****-***-*** (Code for detector only. See section 10 for accessories)

Gas calibration (a selection of most used variants)			
03DG	Ethylene, C2H4, 100 %LEL-1,		
09DG	Propan	e, C3H8, 1	100 %LEL-1, 2.2%Vol
09EG	Propan	e, C3H8, 1	100 %LEL-2, 1.7%Vol
17BH	Methan	ie, CH4, 3	%Vol
17DG	Methan	ie, CH4, 10	00 %LEL-1, 5.0%Vol
17EG	Methan	ie, CH4, 10	00 %LEL-2, 4.4%Vol
18BG	Methan	e (Biogas)	s], CH4/CO2, 100 %Vol
23AN	Carbon	dioxide, C	CO2, 10000 ppm
23BH			CO2, 3 %Vol
24BC			Methane immune), CO2, 5 %Vol
24BG	Carbon	dioxide (N	Methane immune), CO2, 100 %Vol
	Not us	sed	
	0**	Fixed de	lefault value
		Appro	Ival
		0	None
		B	CSA
		C	UL
		X	ATEX/IECEx/INMETRO
	Interface		
			**H 4-20mA, source/HART®
		j	**J 4-20mA, sink/HART®
			Optional, future use
			00 Fixed default value

Example:

GD10-P00-17DG-0XH-00:

Methane, CH4, 100 %LEL, ATEX/IEC Ex/INMETRO, 4-20mA, source/HART®

10. ACCESSORIES AND SPARE PARTS

Accessories	Description	Part Number
	Weather Protection Kit GD10	499-810913
	Sample Flow Housing Airtight chamber for sampling systems. Also used for calibration test.	499-810874
	Duct Flange Tube Kit GD10	499-811938
95 0	Mosquito Set Assy GD10P Insect protection in stainless steel mesh. Slides on the outside of the standard weather protection.	499-813397
Summaries • •	Sunshade Assy GD10P	499-815712
	Pipe mounting plate	599-816731

Spare Parts	Description	Part Number
	Cap, cover for the gas test nozzle.	599-904176
	Rear cover kit, composite	499-816584

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