



## DR6500

80 GHz Radar (FMCW)  
Level Transmitter  
for powders and  
dusty atmosphere

- Flush-mounted PEEK Lens antenna hence no intrusion into tank
- Extremely high dynamics for reliable measurement despite dusty conditions
- Easy installation due to small beam angles

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# Features

## 1.1 The FMCW radar level transmitter for powders and dusty atmosphere

This device is a non-contact radar level transmitter that uses FMCW technology. It measures distance, level and volume of powders, granulates and other solids. It is ideal for measuring the level of solids in applications with very dusty atmospheres.



- ① Aluminium or stainless steel housing
- ② Large, backlit LCD screen with 4-button keypad can be accessed with a bar magnet without opening the housing cover. The software has a quick setup assistant for easy commissioning in 12 languages.
- ③ 2-wire 80 GHz FMCW radar level transmitter
- ④ Polyether ether ketone (PEEK) Lens antenna design

## Highlights

- AMETEK Drexelbrook has over 15 years of experience with FMCW technology
- 2-wire loop-powered 80 GHz transmitter – HART® 7
- Accuracy:  $\pm 2$  mm /  $\pm 0.08$ "
- PEEK Lens antenna options include:
  - DN70 / 2¾" antenna with 4° beam angle suitable for long nozzles and distances up to 100 m / 328 ft
  - DN40 / 1½" antenna with 8° beam angle, available with 1½" thread connections, measures up to 30 m / 98 ft
  - 112 mm / 4.4" antenna extension for long nozzles
- Antenna purging system for flange connection without antenna extension
- Extensive choice of process connections (threaded  $\geq 1\frac{1}{2}$ " and flange  $\geq$ DN50 / 2')
- One user interface for all applications
- Empty tank spectrum function eliminates false reflections caused by tank internals
- Extensive choice of process connections (threaded  $\geq 1\frac{1}{2}$ " and flange  $\geq$ DN50 / 2')
- Extremely high dynamics with considerable signal-to-noise ratio for clear vision in dusty atmospheres
- 4 GHz sweep for high resolution
- Low-cost low-pressure disc flange
- No need for antenna aiming kits. A slanted flange can be installed if necessary.

## Industries

- Metals, Minerals & Mining
- Chemical market
- Power
- Agri-food
- Wastewater
- Pulp & Paper

## Applications

- High and narrow silos
- Buffer silos
- Bulk storage containers or hoppers

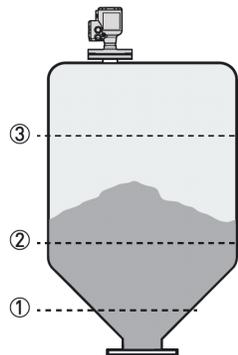
## 1.2 Applications

### 1. Level measurement of solids



The level transmitter can measure the level of a wide range of solid products on a large variety of installations within the stated pressure and temperature range. Calibration is not required; only a short configuration procedure.

### 2. Mass (volume) measurement



Standard conversion tables are built-in for common vessel configurations.

Up to 50 volume or mass values can be related to level values to handle even the most complex vessels. For example:

Level 1= 2 m / Mass 1= e.g. 100 kg

Level 2= 10 m / Mass 2= e.g. 500 kg

Level 3= 20 m / Mass 3= e.g. 1000 kg

This data permits the device to calculate (by linear interpolation) volume or mass between strapping table entries.

PACTware™ software and a DTM (Device Type Manager) are supplied free of charge with the device. This software permits the user to easily configure the device with a computer.

### 1.3 Measuring principle

The radar principle used is FMCW (Frequency Modulated Continuous Wave). The FMCW-radar transmits a high frequency signal whose frequency increases linearly during the measurement phase (called the frequency sweep). The signal is emitted, reflected on the measuring surface and received with a time delay,  $t$ . Delay time,  $t=2d/c$ , where  $d$  is the distance to the product surface and  $c$  is the speed of light in the gas above the product.

For further signal processing the difference  $f$  is calculated from the actual transmitted frequency and the received frequency. The difference is directly proportional to the distance. A large frequency difference corresponds to a large distance and vice versa. The frequency difference  $f$  is transformed via a Fast Fourier Transform (FFT) into a frequency spectrum and then the distance is calculated from the spectrum. The level is calculated from the difference between the tank height and the measured distance.

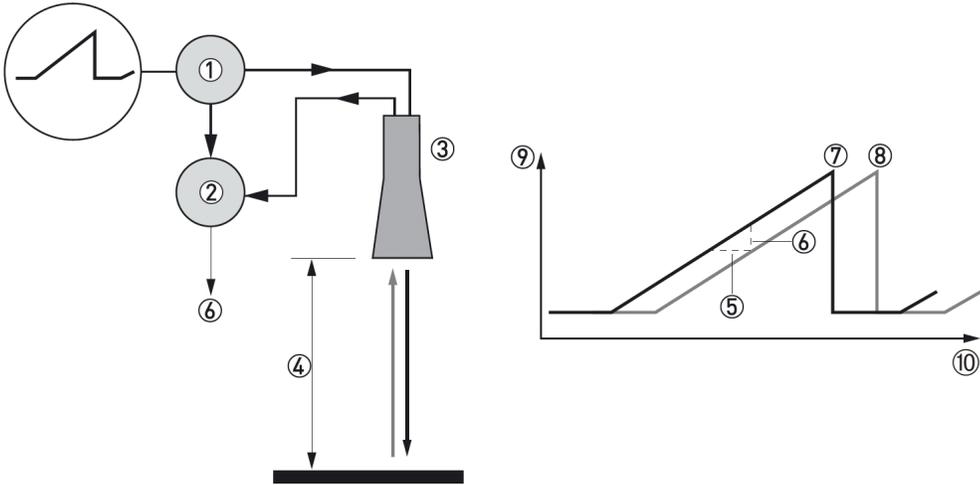


Figure 1-1: Measuring principle of FMCW radar

- ① Transmitter
- ② Mixer
- ③ Antenna
- ④ Distance to product surface, where change in frequency is proportional to distance
- ⑤ Differential time delay,  $\Delta t$
- ⑥ Differential frequency,  $\Delta f$
- ⑦ Frequency transmitted
- ⑧ Frequency received
- ⑨ Frequency
- ⑩ Time

### Measurement modes

“Direct” mode

The device uses the largest radar signal to monitor level.

“Direct Plus” mode

If it is possible there will be an interference signal in the measurement zone that is larger than the level signal, select “Direct Plus” mode. If you select “Direct Plus” mode, the device locks on the level signal and monitors changes in level. If the device then finds larger reflections in the silo, it will only monitor the largest signal in a small search zone around the first reflection found and ignore all other reflections. The interference signal must not be near to the level signal.

## 2.1 Technical data

- The following data is provided for general applications. If you require data that is more relevant to your specific application, please contact us or your local sales office.
- Additional information (certificates, special tools, software,...) and complete product documentation can be downloaded free of charge from the website ([drexelbrook.com](http://drexelbrook.com)).

### Measuring system

Measuring principle	2-wire loop-powered level transmitter; FMCW radar
Frequency range	W-band (78...82 GHz)
Max. radiated power (EIRP)	< -41.3 dBm according to ETSI EN 307 372 (TLPR) and ETSI EN 302 729 (LPR)
Application range	Level measurement of powders and granulates
Primary measured value	Distance and reflection
Secondary measured value	Level, volume and mass

### Design

Construction	The measurement system consists of a measuring sensor (antenna) and a signal converter
Options	Integrated LCD display (-20...+70°C / -4...+158°F); if the ambient temperature is not in these limits, then this condition can stop the display
	Distance piece (for process temperature: +150...+200°C / +302...+392°F)
	Weather protection
Max. measuring range	Lens, DN40 (1½'): 30 m / 98 ft
	Lens, DN70 (2¾'): 100 m / 328.1 ft
	Refer also to "Measuring accuracy" on page 15
Min. tank height	1 m / 40"
Recommended minimum blocking distance	0.3 m / 12" (add 112 mm / 4.4" if the DN40 Lens antenna has antenna extension)
Beam angle (antenna)	Lens, DN40 (1½'): 8°
	Lens, DN70 (2¾'): 4°

### Display and user interface

Display	Backlit LCD display
	128 × 64 pixels in 64-step greyscale with 4-button keypad
Interface languages	English, French, German, Italian, Spanish, Portuguese, Chinese (simplified), Japanese, Russian, Czech, Polish and Turkish

### Measuring accuracy

Resolution	1 mm / 0.04"
Repeatability	±1 mm / ±0.04"
Accuracy	Standard: ±2 mm / ±0.8", when distance ≤ 10 m / 33 ft; ±0.02% of measured distance, when distance > 10 m / 33 ft. For more data, refer to <i>Measuring accuracy on page 15</i> .
Digital temperature drift	Max. ±10 mm / ±0.39" for the full temperature range

<b>Reference conditions acc. to EN 61298-1</b>	
Temperature	+15...+25°C / +59...+77°F
Pressure	1013 mbara ±50 mbar / 14.69 psia ±0.73 psi
Relative air humidity	60% ±15%
Target	Metal plate in an anechoic chamber. The device has specified settings.

### Operating conditions

<b>Temperature</b>	
Ambient temperature	-40...+80°C / -40...+176°F
	Ex: see supplementary operating instructions or approval certificates
Relative humidity	0...99%
Storage temperature	-40...+85°C / -40...+185°F
Process connection temperature (higher temperature on request)	-50...+150°C / -58...+302°F The process connection temperature must agree with the temperature limits of the gasket material. Refer to "Materials" in this table.) Ex: see supplementary operating instructions or approval certificates
<b>Pressure</b>	
Process pressure	-1...40 barg / -14.5...580 psig Subject to the process connection used and the process connection temperature. For more data, refer to Guidelines for maximum operating pressure on page 18.
<b>Other conditions</b>	
Dielectric constant ( $\epsilon_r$ )	≥1.4
Ingress protection	IEC 60529: IP66 / IP68 (0.1 barg / 1.45 psig)
	NEMA 250: NEMA type 6 - 6P (housing) and type 6P (antenna)
Maximum rate of change	60 m/min / 196 ft/min

### Installation conditions

Process connection size	The nominal diameter (DN) should be equal to or larger than the antenna diameter.
Process connection position	Make sure that there are not any obstructions directly below the process connection for the device. For more data, refer to Installation on page 25.
Dimensions and weights	For dimensions and weights data, refer to Dimensions and weights on page 20.

### Materials

Housing	Standard: Polyester-coated aluminium
	Option: Stainless steel (1.4404 / 316L) – non-Ex devices only. Ex approvals will be available in the second quarter of 2018.
Wetted parts, including antenna	PEEK – this material complies with FDA regulations
Process connection	Stainless steel (1.4404 / 316L)
Slanted flange (option)	PTFE ( $\leq +150^\circ\text{C}$ / $+302^\circ\text{F}$ ); PEEK ( $> +150^\circ\text{C}$ / $+302^\circ\text{F}$ )
Gaskets (and o-rings for the sealed antenna extension option)	FKM/FPM ( $-20^\circ\text{C}$ ... $+150^\circ\text{C}$ / $-4^\circ\text{C}$ ... $+302^\circ\text{F}$ ); EPDM ( $-20^\circ\text{C}$ ... $+200^\circ\text{C}$ / $-4^\circ\text{C}$ ... $+392^\circ\text{F}$ )
Cable gland	Standard: none
	Options: Plastic (Non-Ex: black, Ex i-approved: blue); nickel-plated brass; stainless steel; M12 (4-pin connector)
Weather protection (Option)	Stainless steel (1.4404 / 316L)

## Process connections

<b>DN70 (2¾") Lens antenna</b>	
Thread	G 1½ A (ISO 228); 1½ NPT (ASME B1.20.1)
Flange, EN 1092-1	Low-pressure flanges: DN50...200 in PN01; Standard flanges: DN50 in PN40; DN80...200 in PN10, PN16 and PN40 (Type B1); others on request Optional flange facing: Type A
Flange, ASME B16.5	Low-pressure flanges: 2"...8" in 150 lb (max. 15 psig); Standard flanges: 2"...8" in 150 lb RF and 300 lb RF; others on request Optional flange facing: FF (Flat Face)
<b>DN70 (2¾") Lens antenna</b>	
Thread	G3 A (ISO 228); 3 NPT (ASME B1.20.1)
Flange, EN 1092-1	Low-pressure flanges: DN80...200 in PN01; Standard flanges: DN80...200 in PN10, PN16 and PN40 (Type B1); others on request Optional flange facing for standard flanges: Type A
Flange, ASME B16.5	Low-pressure flanges: 3"...8" in 150 lb (max. 15 psig); Standard flanges: 3"...8" in 150 lb RF and 300 lb RF; others on request Optional flange facing for standard flanges: FF (Flat Face)

## Electrical connections

Power supply	<b>Terminals output – Non-Ex / Ex i:</b> 12...30 VDC; min./max. value for an output of 21.5 mA at the terminals <b>Terminals output – Ex d:</b> 16...36 VDC; min./max. value for an output of 21.5 mA at the terminals
Maximum current	21.5 mA
Current output load	<b>Non-Ex / Ex i:</b> $RL [\Omega] \leq ((U_{ext} - 12 V)/21.5 \text{ mA})$ . For more data, refer to <i>Minimum power supply voltage on page 15</i> . <b>Ex d:</b> $RL [\Omega] \leq ((U_{ext} - 16 V)/21.5 \text{ mA})$ . For more data, refer to <i>Minimum power supply voltage on page 15</i> .
Cable entry	Standard: M20×1.5; Option: ½ NPT
Cable gland	Standard: none Options: M20×1.5 (cable diameter: 7...12 mm / 0.28...0.47"); others are available on request
Cable entry capacity (terminal)	0.5...3.31 mm <sup>2</sup> (AWG 20...12)

## Input and output

<b>Current output</b>	
Output signal	Standard: 4...20 mA Options: 3.8...20.5 mA acc. to NAMUR NE 43; 4...20 mA (reversed); 3.8...20.5 mA (reversed) acc. to NAMUR NE 43
Output type	Passive
Resolution	±5 µA
Temperature drift	Typically 50 ppm/K
Error signal	High: 21.5 mA; Low: 3.5 mA acc. to NAMUR NE 43
<b>HART®</b>	
Description	Digital signal transmitted with the current output signal (HART® protocol) 1
Version	7.4
Load	≥ 250 Ω
Digital temperature drift	Max. ±15 mm / 0.6" for the full temperature range

Multi-drop operation	Yes. Current output = 4 mA. Enter Program mode to change the polling address (1...63).
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### Approvals and certification

CE	The device meets the essential requirements of the EU Directives. The manufacturer certifies successful testing of the product by applying the CE marking.
	For more data about the EU Directives and European Standards related to this device, refer to the EU Declaration of Conformity. This documentation can be downloaded free of charge from the website.
Vibration resistance	EN 60068-2-6 and EN 60721-3-4 (1...9 Hz: 3 mm / 10...200 Hz: 1g, 10g shock 1/2 sinus: 11 ms)
<b>Explosion protection</b>	
ATEX (EU Type Approval)	II 1/2 G Ex ia IIC T6...T3 Ga/Gb;
	II 1/2 D Ex ia IIIC T85°C...T°C Da/Db; 2
	II 1/2 G Ex db ia IIC T6...T3 Ga/Gb;
	II 1/2 D Ex ia tb IIIC T85°C...T°C Da/Db ②
ATEX (Type Approval)	II 3 G Ex nA IIC T6...T3 Gc;
	II 3 G Ex ic IIC T6...T3 Gc;
	II 3 D Ex ic IIIC T85°C...T°C Dc ②
IECEx	Ex ia IIC T6...T3 Ga/Gb;
	Ex ia IIIC T85°C...T°C Da/Db; ②
	Ex db ia IIC T6...T3 Ga/Gb;
	Ex ia tb IIIC T85°C...T°C Da/Db; ②
	Ex ic IIC T6...T3 Gc;
	Ex ic IIIC T85°C...T°C Gc 2
cQPSus	<b>Division ratings</b>
	XP-IS, Class I, Div 1, GPS ABCD, T6...T3
	DIP, Class II, III, Div 1, GPS EFG, T85°C...T°C ②
	IS, Class I, Div 1, GPS ABCD, T6...T3;
	IS, Class II, III, Div 1, GPS EFG, T85°C...T°C; ②
	NI, Class I, Div 2, GPS ABCD, T6...T3
	NI, Class II, III, Div 2, GPS EFG, T85°C...T°C ②
	<b>Zone ratings</b>
	Class I, Zone 1, AEx db ia [ia Ga] IIC T6...T3 Gb (US) – antenna suitable for Zone 0
	Ex db ia [Ex ia Ga] IIC T6...T3 Gb (Canada) – antenna suitable for Zone 0
	Class I, Zone 0, AEx ia IIC T6...T3 Ga (US); Ex ia IIC T6...T3 Ga (Canada);
	Class I, Zone 2, AEx nA IIC T6...T3 Gc (US); Ex nA IIC T6...T3 Gc (Canada);
	Zone 20, AEx ia IIIC T85°C...T°C Da (US); Ex ia IIIC T85°C...T°C Da (Canada); ②
	Zone 21, AEx ia tb [ia Da] IIIC T85°C...T°C Db (US) – antenna suitable for zone 20 Ex ia tb [Ex ia Da] IIIC T85°C...T°C Db (Canada) – antenna suitable for zone 20 ②

<b>Other standards and approvals</b>	
Electromagnetic compatibility	<b>EU:</b> Electromagnetic Compatibility directive (EMC)
Radio approvals	<b>EU:</b> Radio Equipment directive (RED)
	<b>FCC Rules:</b> Part 15
	<b>Industry Canada:</b> RSS-211
Electrical safety	<b>EU:</b> Complies with the safety part of the Low Voltage directive (LVD)
	<b>USA and Canada:</b> Complies with NEC and CEC requirements for installation in ordinary locations
NAMUR	NAMUR NE 21 Electromagnetic Compatibility (EMC) of Industrial Process and Laboratory Control Equipment
	NAMUR NE 43 Standardization of the Signal Level for the Failure Information of Digital Transmitters
	NAMUR NE 53 Software and Hardware of Field Devices and Signal Processing Devices with Digital Electronics
	NAMUR NE 107 Self-Monitoring and Diagnosis of Field Devices
CRN	This certification is applicable for all Canadian provinces and territories. For more data, refer to the website.
Construction code	Option: ASME B31.3

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② T\*°C = 150°C or 200°C. For more data, refer to the related Ex approval certificate.

## 2.2 Minimum power supply voltage

Use these graphs to find the minimum power supply voltage for a given current output load.

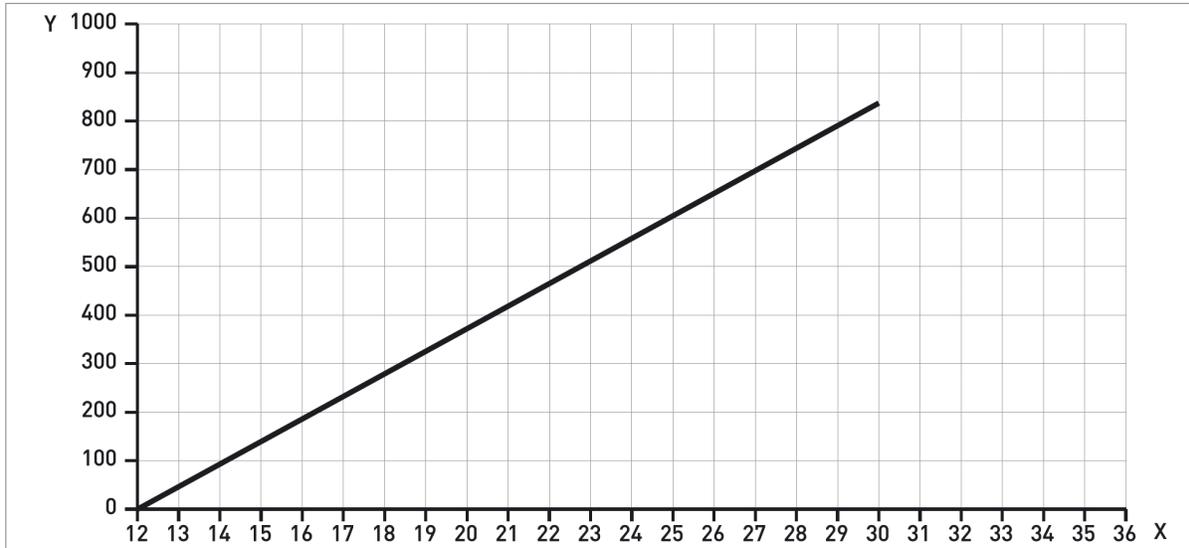


Figure 2-1: Minimum power supply voltage for an output of 21.5 mA at the terminal (Non-Ex and Hazardous Location approval (Ex i / IS))

X: Power supply U [VDC]  
Y: Current output load  $R_L$  [ $\Omega$ ]

### Hazardous Location (Ex d / XP/NI) approved devices

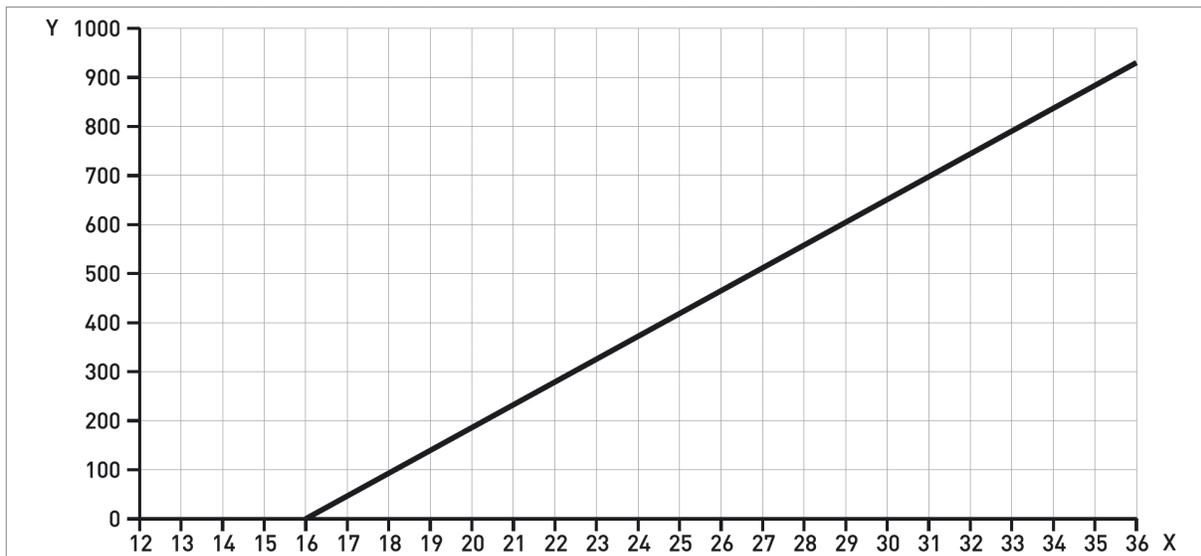


Figure 2-2: Minimum power supply voltage for an output of 21.5 mA at the terminal (Hazardous Location approval (Ex d / XP/NI))

X: Power supply U [VDC]  
Y: Current output load  $R_L$  [ $\Omega$ ]

## 2.3 Measuring accuracy

Use these graphs to find the measuring accuracy for a given distance from the transmitter.

### DN40 (1½") Lens antenna

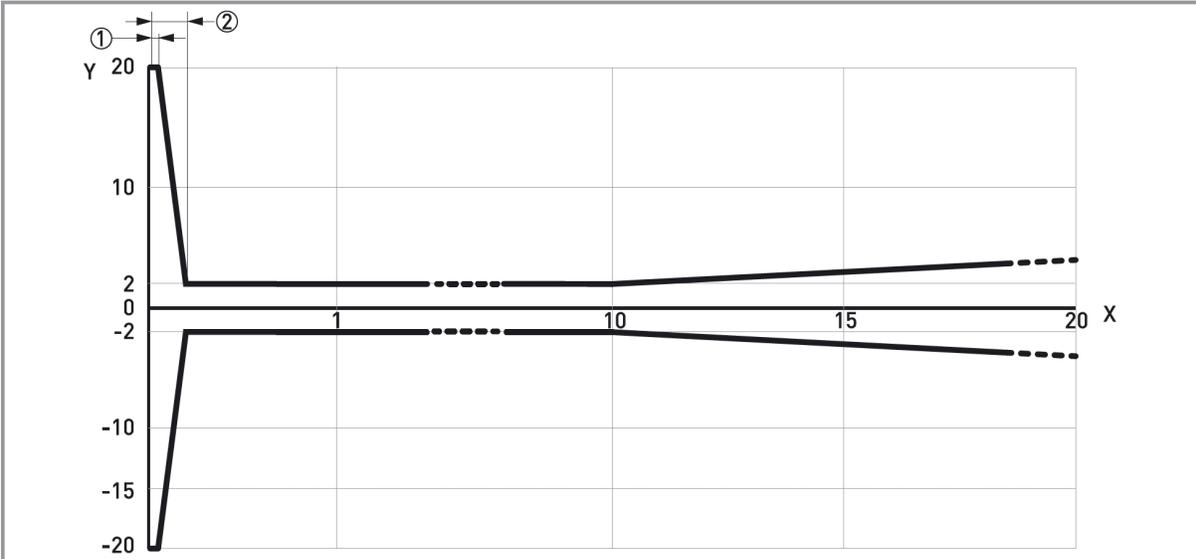


Figure 2-3: DN40 (1½") Lens antenna: measuring accuracy (graph of measuring accuracy in mm against measuring distance in m)

X: Measuring distance from the thread stop or flange facing of the process connection [m]

Y: Measuring accuracy [+yy mm / -yy mm]

① 50 mm

② 200 mm

Figure 2-4: DN40 (1½") Lens antenna: measuring accuracy (graph of measuring accuracy in inches against measuring distance in ft)

X: Measuring distance from the thread stop or flange facing of the process connection [ft]

Y: Measuring accuracy [+yy inches / -yy inches]

① 1.97"

② 7.87"

To calculate the accuracy at a given distance from the antenna, refer to Technical data on page 10 (measuring accuracy).

### DN70 (2¾") Lens antenna

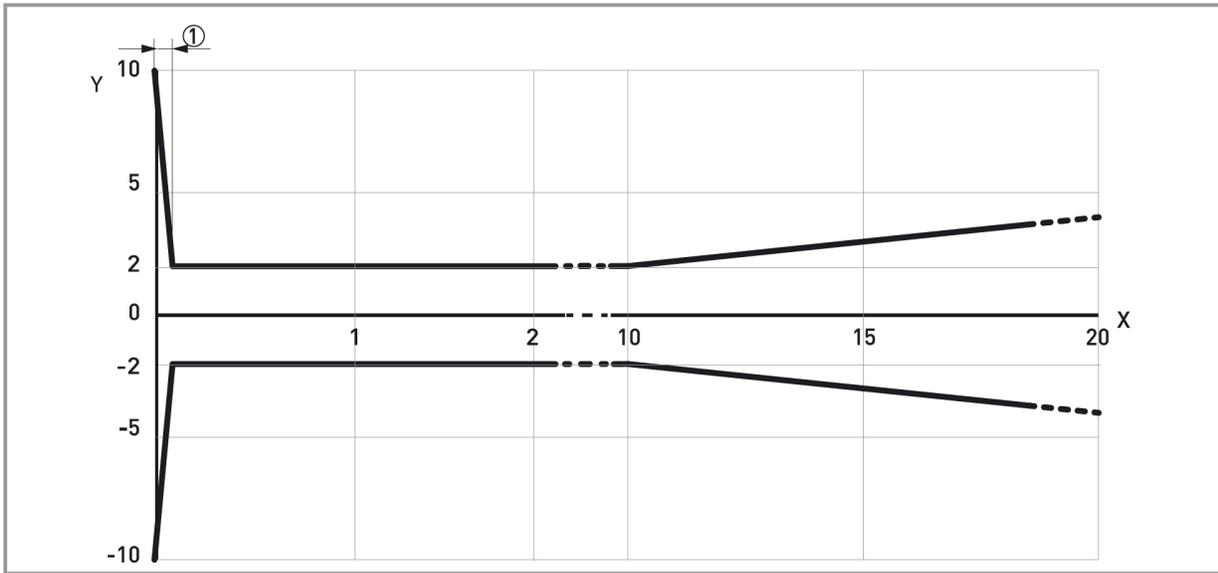


Figure 2-5: DN70 (2¾") Lens antenna: measuring accuracy (graph of measuring accuracy in mm against measuring distance in m)

X: Measuring distance from the thread stop or flange facing of the process connection [m]

Y: Measuring accuracy [+yy mm / -yy mm]

① 100 mm

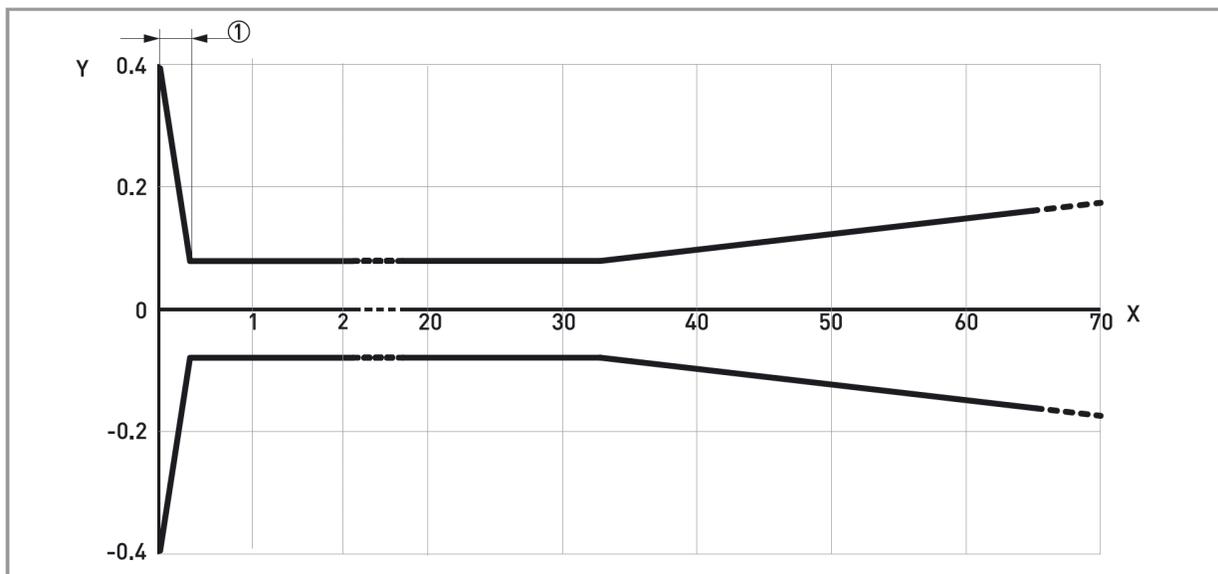


Figure 2-6: DN70 (1½") Lens antenna: measuring accuracy (graph of measuring accuracy in inches against measuring distance in ft)

X: Measuring distance from the thread stop or flange facing of the process connection [ft]

Y: Measuring accuracy [+yy inches / -yy inches]

① 3.94"

To calculate the accuracy at a given distance from the antenna, refer to Technical data on page 10 (measuring accuracy).

## 2.4 Guidelines for maximum operating pressure

Make sure that the devices are used within their operating limits.

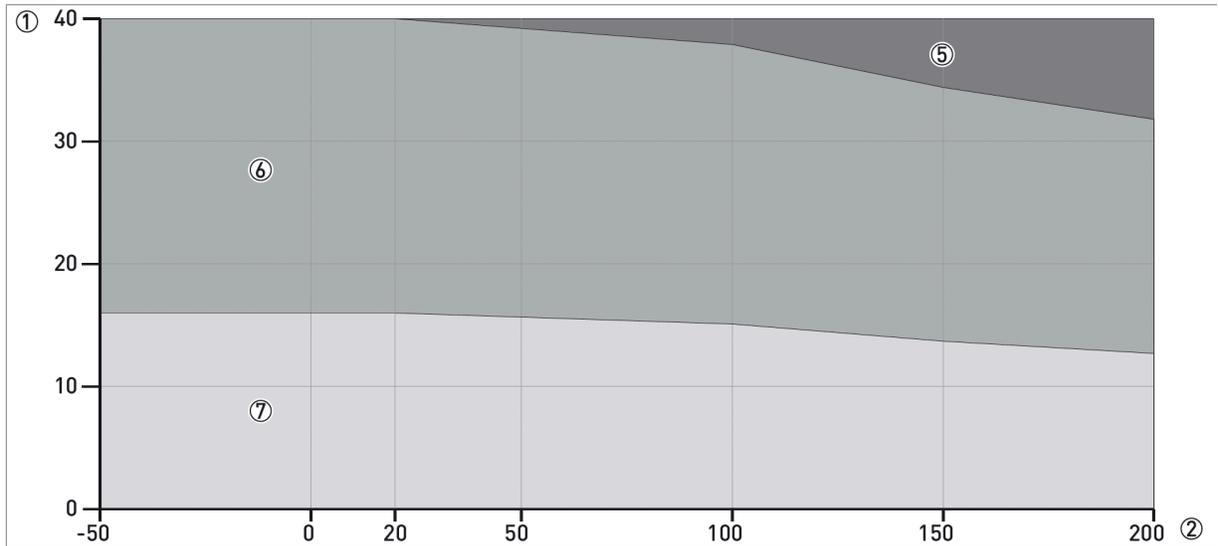


Figure 2-7: Pressure / temperature de-rating (EN 1092-1), flange and threaded connection, in °C and barg

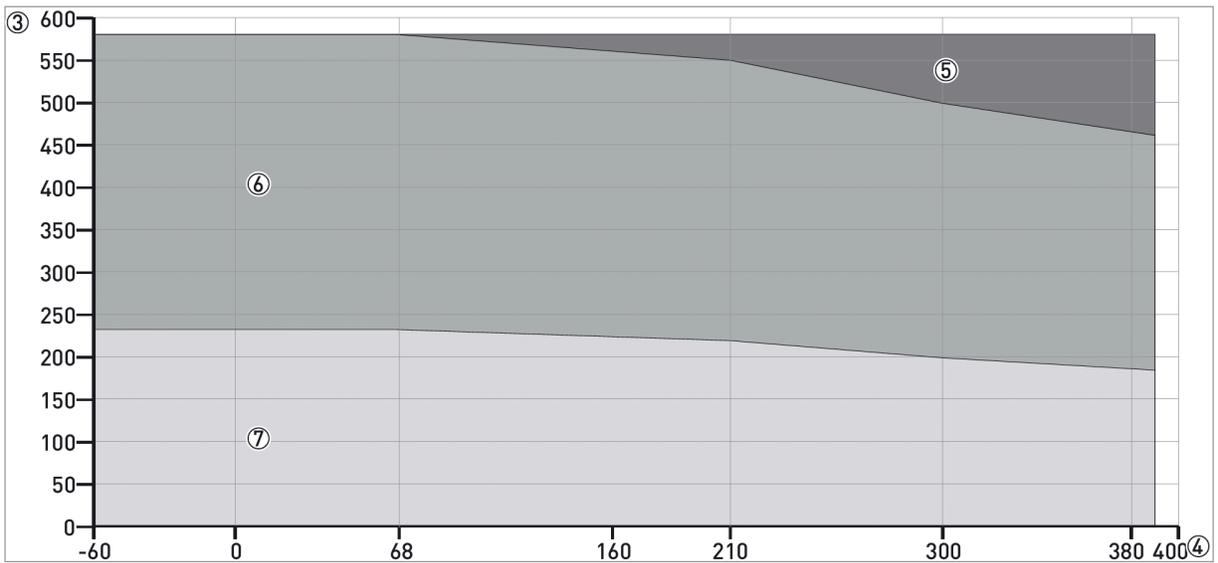


Figure 2-8: Pressure / temperature de-rating (EN 1092-1), flange and threaded connections, in °F and psig

- ① Process pressure, p [barg]
- ② Process connection temperature, T [°C]
- ③ Process pressure, p [psig]
- ④ Process connection temperature, T [°F]
- ⑤ Threaded connection, G (ISO 228-1)
- ⑥ Flange connection, PN40
- ⑦ Flange connection, PN16

## CRN certification

There is a CRN certification option for devices with process connections that comply with ASME standards. This certification is necessary for all devices that are installed on a pressure vessel and used in Canada.

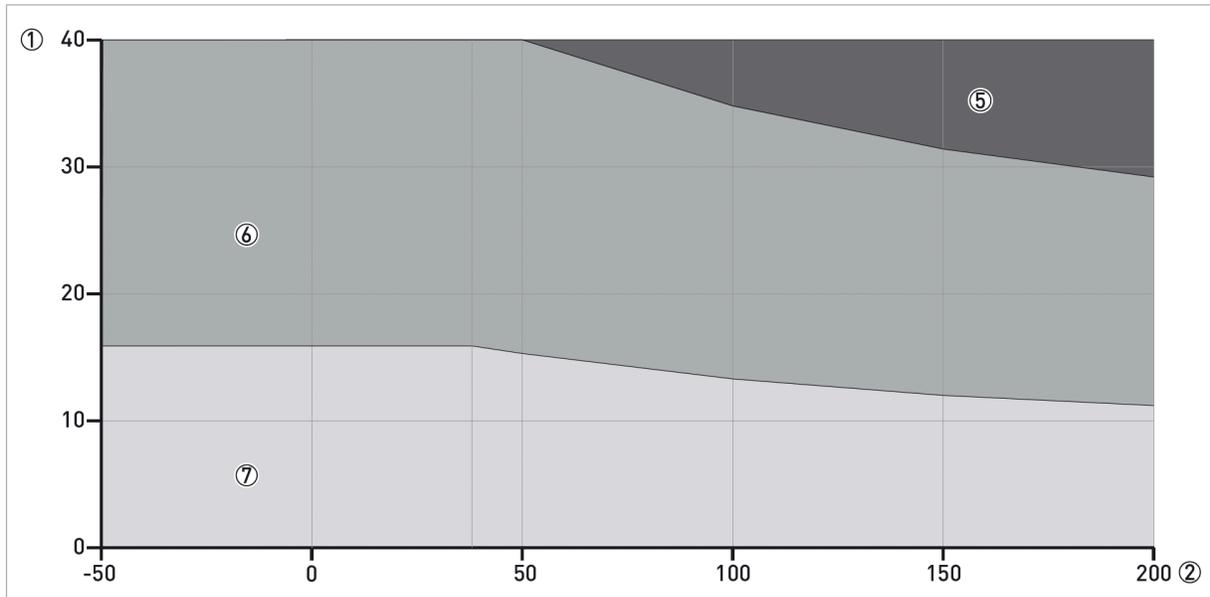


Figure 2-9: Pressure / temperature de-rating (ASME B16.5), flange and threaded connections, in °C and barg

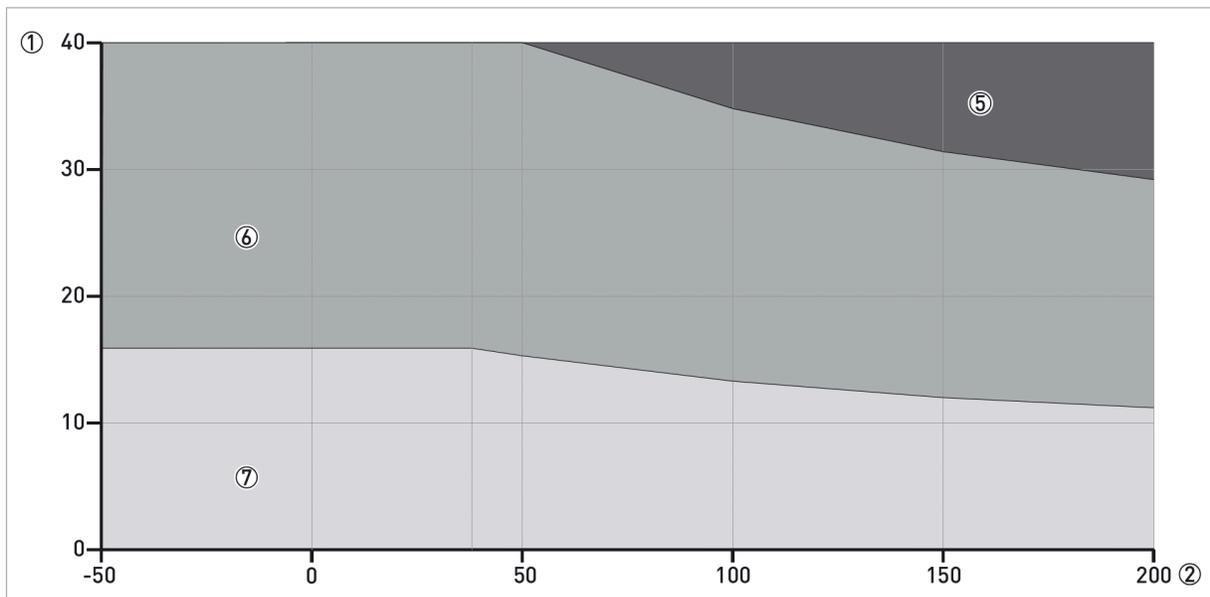


Figure 2-10: Pressure / temperature de-rating (ASME B16.5), flange and threaded connections, in °F and psig

- ① Process pressure, p [barg]
- ② Process connection temperature, T [°C]
- ③ Process pressure, p [psig]
- ④ Process connection temperature, T [°F]
- ⑤ Threaded connection, NPT (ASME B1.20.1)
- ⑥ Flange connection, Class 300
- ⑦ Flange connection, Class 150

## 2.5 Dimensions and weights

### DN40 / 1½" Lens antenna versions

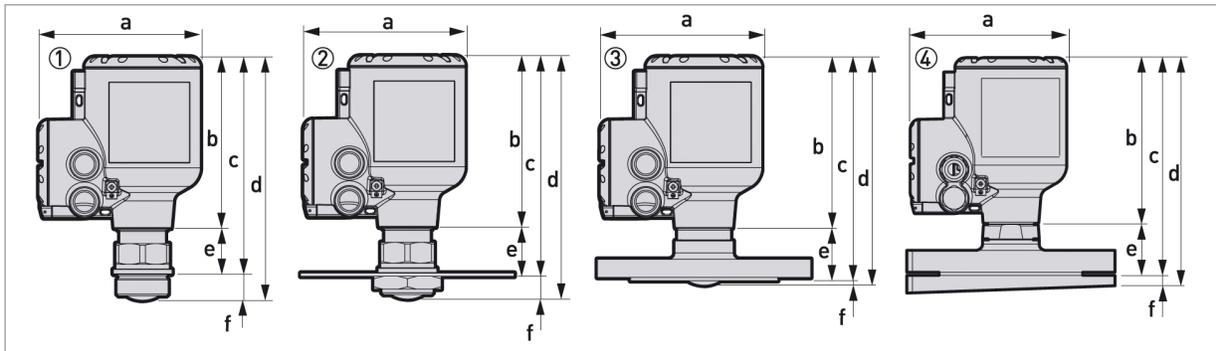


Figure 2-11: DN40 / 1½" Lens antenna versions

- ① DN40 / 1½" Lens antenna with a G 1½A or 1½ NPT threaded connection
- ② DN40 / 1½" Lens antenna with a low-pressure flange attached to a threaded connection
- ③ DN40 / 1½" Lens antenna with a flange connection
- ④ DN40 / 1½" Lens antenna with a flange connection and the 2° slanted flange option

- The diameter of the outer sheath of the cable must be 7...12 mm or 0.28...0.47".
- Cable glands for cQPSus-approved devices must be supplied by the customer.
- A weather protection cover is available as an accessory with all devices.

## DN40 / 1½" Lens antenna: Dimensions in mm

Type of process connection	Dimensions [mm]					
	a	b	c	d	e	f
Thread connection	151	160	203.5 ①	228 ①	29.5 ①	24.2
Low-pressure flange connection	151	160	206.5 ①	228 ①	32.2 ①	21.2
Flange connection	151	160	209.5 ①	214 ②	49.2 ①	4.2 ③
Flange connection with slanted flange option	151	160	209.6 ①	219.6 ①	49.2 ①	10

① If the process temperature is more than +150°C, add 112 mm to this value

② If the process temperature is more than +150°C, add 112 mm to this value. If the device has the antenna extension option, add 112 mm to this value.

③ If the device has the antenna extension option, add 112 mm to this value

## DN40 / 1½" Lens antenna: Dimensions in inches

Type of process connection	Dimensions [mm]					
	a	b	c	d	e	f
Thread connection	151	160	203.5 ①	228 ①	29.5 ①	24.2
Low-pressure flange connection	151	160	206.5 ①	228 ①	32.2 ①	21.2
Flange connection	151	160	209.5 ①	214 ②	49.2 ①	4.2 ③
Flange connection with slanted flange option	151	160	209.6 ①	219.6 ①	49.2 ①	10

① If the process temperature is more than +302°F, add 4.41" to this value

② If the process temperature is more than +302°F, add 4.41" to this value. If the device has the antenna extension option, add 112 mm to this value.

③ If the device has the antenna extension option, add 4.41" to this value

## DN70 / 2¾" Lens antenna versions

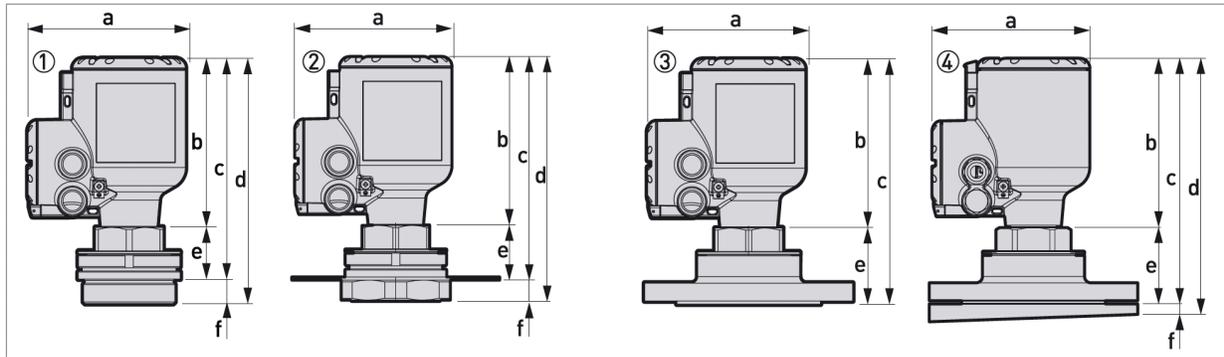


Figure 2-12: DN70 / 2¾" Lens antenna versions

- ① DN70 / 2¾" Lens antenna with a G 3A or 3 NPT threaded connection
- ② DN70 / 2¾" Lens antenna with a low-pressure flange attached to a threaded connection
- ③ DN70 / 2¾" Lens antenna with a flange connection
- ④ DN70 / 2¾" Lens antenna with a flange connection and the 2° slanted flange option

- The diameter of the outer sheath of the cable must be 7...12 mm or 0.28...0.47".
- Cable glands for cQPSus-approved devices must be supplied by the customer.
- A weather protection cover is available as an accessory with all devices.

## DN70 / 2¾" Lens antenna: Dimensions in mm

Type of process connection	Dimensions [mm]					
	a	b	c	d	e	f
Thread connection	151	160	209.8 ①	233.2 ①	49.5 ①	24.2
Low-pressure flange connection	151	160	212.8 ①	233.2 ①	52.2 ①	21.2
Flange connection	151	160	233.2 ①	—	72.8 ①	—
Flange connection with slanted flange option	151	160	133.2 ①	243.2 ①	72.8 ①	10

① If the process temperature is more than +150°C, add 112 mm to this value

## DN70 / 2¾" Lens antenna: Dimensions in inches

Type of process connection	Dimensions [inches]					
	a	b	c	d	e	f
Thread connection	5.94	6.30	8.25 ①	9.18 ①	1.95 ①	0.95
Low-pressure flange connection	5.94	6.30	8.38 ①	9.18 ①	2.07 ①	0.83
Flange connection	5.94	6.30	9.18 ①	—	2.87 ①	—
Flange connection with slanted flange option	5.94	6.30	9.18 ①	9.57 ①	2.87 ①	0.39

① If the process temperature is more than +150°C, add 112 mm to this value

## Weather protection option

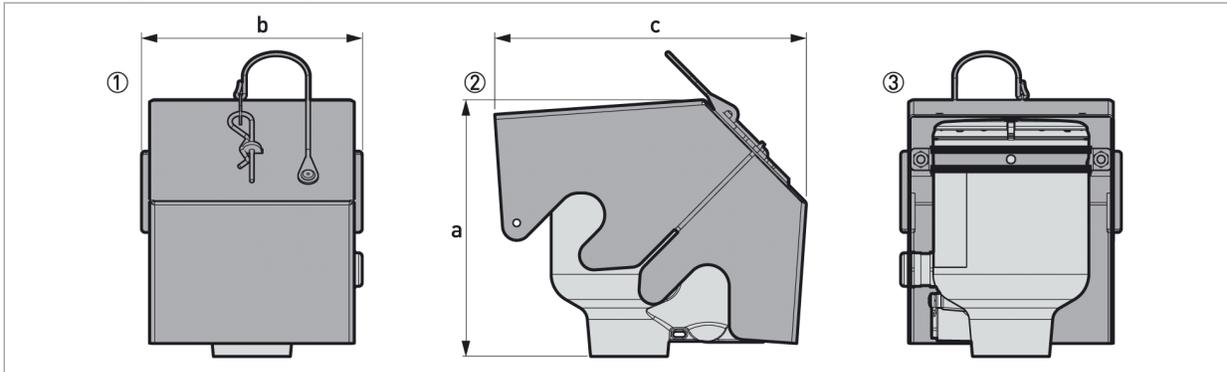


Figure 2-13: Weather protection option

- ① Front view (with weather protection closed)
- ② Left side (with weather protection closed)
- ③ Rear view (with weather protection closed)

## Weather protection: Dimensions and weights

	Dimensions						Weights [kg]	
	a		b		c		[kg]	[lb]
	[mm]	[inch]	[mm]	[inch]	[mm]	[inch]		
Weather protection	177	6.97	153	6.02	216	8.50	1.3	2.9

### Converter weight

Type of housing	Weights	
	[kg]	[lb]
Compact aluminium housing	2.1	4.6
Compact aluminium housing with distance piece ①	3.0	6.6
Compact stainless steel housing	4.5	9.9
Compact stainless steel housing with distance piece ①	5.4	11.9

① The housing has a distance piece, if the process temperature is more than +150°C / +302°F

### Antenna option weights

Antenna options	Min./Max Weights	
	[kg]	[lb]

#### Standard options, with converter

DN40 (1½") Lens antenna with G 1½ or 1½ NPT threaded connection	2.5	5.5
DN70 (2¾") Lens antenna with G 3 or 3 NPT threaded connection	4.3	9.56
DN40 (1½") Lens antenna with G 1½ or 1½ NPT threaded connection and low-pressure flange (type A)	3.1	6.8
DN70 (2¾") Lens antenna with G 3 or 3 NPT threaded connection and low-pressure flange (type A)	4.8	10.6
DN40 (1½") Lens antenna with DN80 PN16 / B1 or 3" 150 lb / RF flange	6.7	14.8
DN70 (2¾") Lens antenna with DN80 PN16 / B1 or 3" 150 lb / RF flange	7.0	15.4
DN40 (1½") Lens antenna with DN80 PN16 / B1 or 3" 150 lb / RF flange and 2° PP slanted flange	6.9	15.2
DN70 (2¾") Lens antenna with DN80 PN16 / B1 or 3" 150 lb / RF flange and 2° PP slanted flange	7.1	15.7

### 3.1 Intended use

*Responsibility for the use of the measuring devices with regard to suitability, intended use and corrosion resistance of the used materials against the measured fluid lies solely with the operator.*

*The manufacturer is not liable for any damage resulting from improper use or use for other than the intended purpose.*

This radar level transmitter measures distance, level, mass, volume and reflectivity of granulates and powders. It can be installed on silos, hoppers and bunkers.

### 3.2 Pre-installation requirements

*Obey the precautions that follow to make sure that the device is correctly installed.*

- Make sure that there is sufficient space on all sides.
- Protect the signal converter from direct sunlight. If necessary, install the weather protection accessory.
- Do not subject the signal converter to heavy vibrations. The devices are tested for vibration and comply with EN 50178 and IEC 60068-2-6.

## 3.3 Installation

### 3.3.1 Pressure and temperature ranges

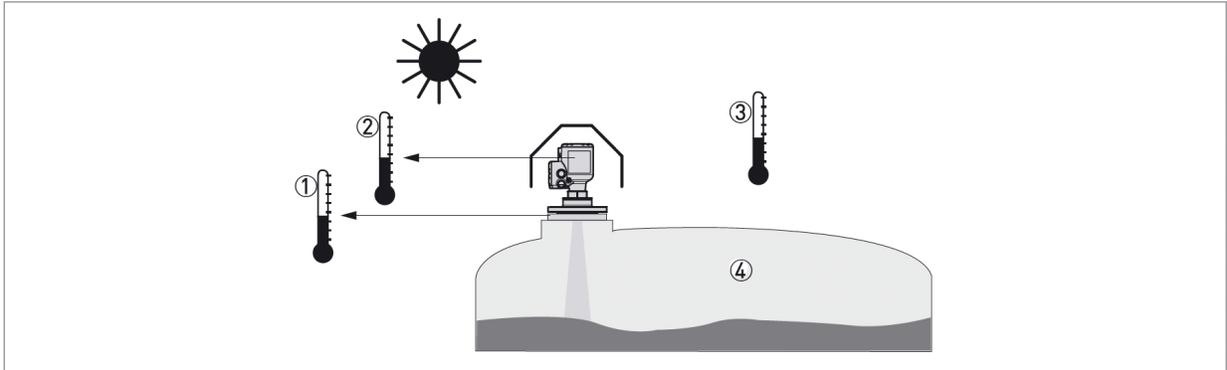


Figure 3-1: Pressure and temperature ranges

- ① Temperature at the process connection  
 Non-Ex devices: The temperature range depends on the type of antenna, process connection and the seal material. Refer to the table that follows.  
 Devices with Hazardous Location approvals: refer to appropriate supplementary instructions document
- ② Ambient temperature for operation of the display  
 -20...+70°C / -4...+158°F  
 If the ambient temperature is not between these limits, then it is possible that the display screen will not operate temporarily. The device continues to measure level and send an output signal.
- ③ Ambient temperature  
 Non-Ex devices: -40...+80°C / -40...+176°F  
 Devices with Hazardous Location approvals: see supplementary instructions
- ④ Process pressure  
 Depends on the type of antenna and process connection. Refer to the table that follows.

*The process connection temperature range must agree with the temperature limits of the gasket material. The operating pressure range is subject to the process connection used and the flange temperature.*

#### Maximum process connection temperature and operating pressure

Antenna type	Maximum process connection temperature		Maximum operating pressure	
	[°C]	[°F]	[barg]	[psig]
Lens DN40, PEEK	+150 ①	+302 ①	40	580
Lens DN70, PEEK	+150 ①	+302 ①	40	580

① Pending: +200°C / +392°F

For more data on pressure ratings, refer to *Guidelines for maximum operating pressure on page 18*.

### 3.3.2 Recommended mounting position

Follow these recommendations to make sure that the device measures correctly. They have an effect on the performance of the device.

We recommend that you prepare the installation when the tank is empty.

#### Recommended nozzle position for solids

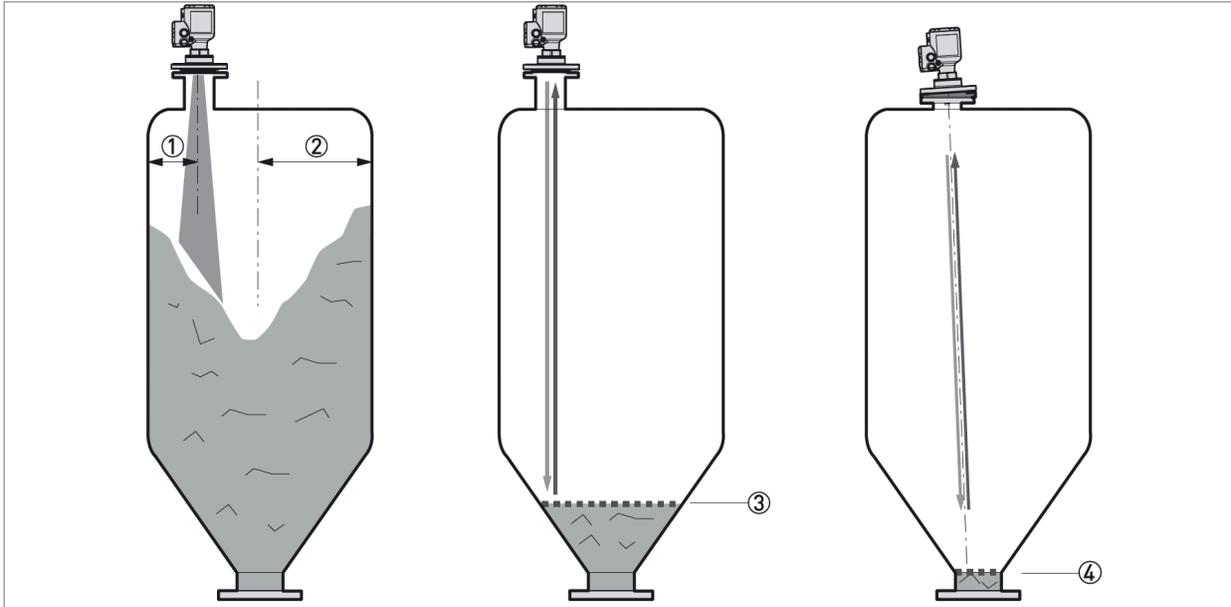


Figure 3-2: Recommended nozzle position for solids

- ① Position of the process fitting from the silo wall,  $r/2$  (for the DN40 or DN70 Lens antenna)
- ② Radius of the silo,  $r$
- ③ The minimum measured level for a device without a 2° slanted PP flange option
- ④ The minimum measured level for a device with a 2° slanted PP flange option

If there is a nozzle on the tank before installation, the nozzle must be a minimum of 200 mm / 7.9" from the tank wall. The tank wall must be flat and there must not be obstacles adjacent to the nozzle or on the tank wall.

#### Number of devices that can be operated in a silo

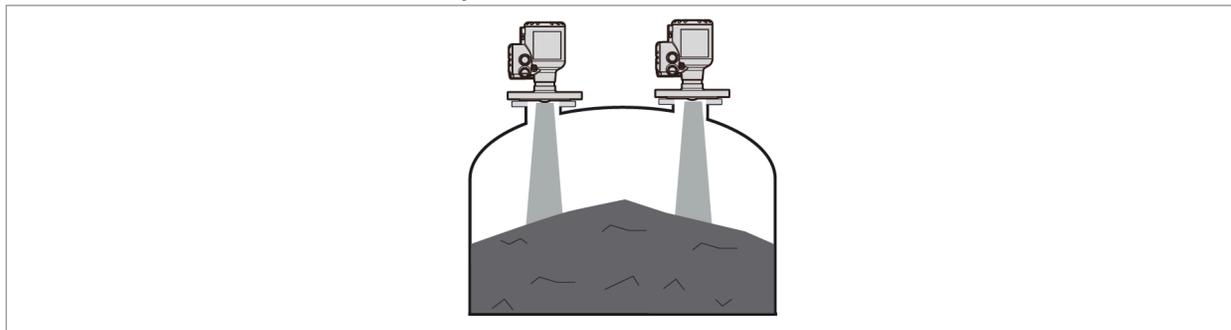


Figure 3-3: There is no maximum limit to the number of devices that can be operated in the same silo

### 3.3.3 Mounting restrictions

LPR and TLPR devices

**LPR (Level Probing Radar)** devices measure level in the open air or in a closed space (a metallic tank etc.). **TLPR (Tank Level Probing Radar)** devices measure level in a closed space only. You can use LPR devices for TLPR applications. For more data, refer to Order code on page 34, antenna options.

Causes of interference signals

- Objects in the tank or silo.
- Sharp corners that are perpendicular to the path of the radar beam.
- Sudden changes in tank diameter in the path of the radar beam.

*Do not install the device above objects in the silo (ladder, supports etc.) or pit. Objects in the silo or pit can cause interference signals. If there are interference signals, the device will not measure correctly.*

*If it is not possible to install the device on another part of the silo or pit, do an empty spectrum scan. For more data, refer to the handbook.*

#### Equipment and obstacles: how to prevent measurement of interference signals

Do not put the device immediately above equipment and obstacles in a silo or pit. This can have an effect on the performance of the device.

*If possible, do not install a nozzle on the silo centerline.*

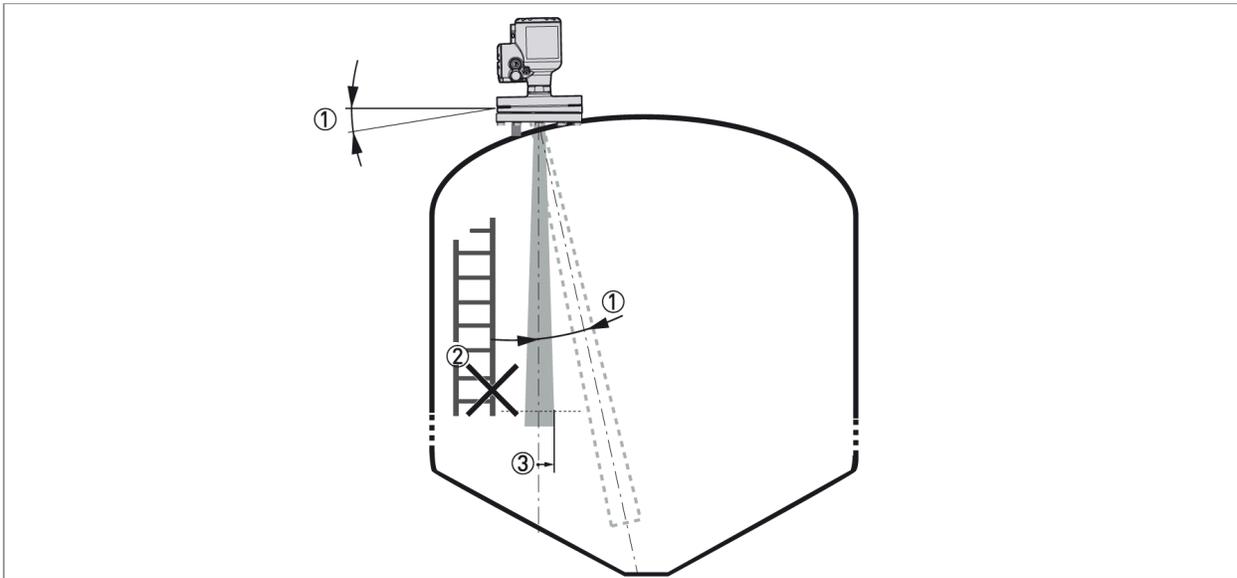


Figure 3-4: Equipment and obstacles: how to prevent measurement of interference signals

- ① Do not tilt the device more than 2°
- ② We recommend that you do an empty spectrum recording if there are too many obstacles in the radar beam (refer to the handbook).
- ③ Beam radius of the antenna: refer to the table below. The beam radius increases by increments of “x” mm for each meter of distance from the antenna.

## Beam radius of the antenna

Antenna type	Beam angle	Beam radius, x	
		[mm/m]	[in/ft]
Lens, DN40 (1½')	8°	70	0.8
Lens, DN70 (2¾')	4°	35	0.4

## Product inlets

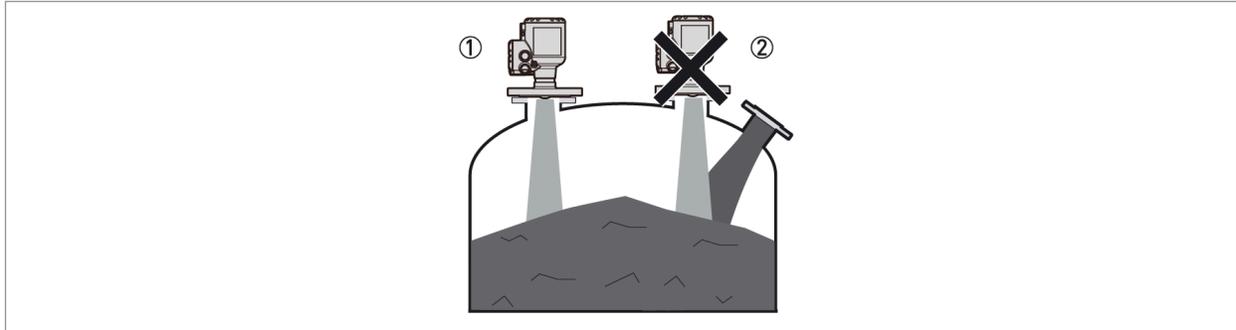


Figure 3-5: Product inlets

The device is in the correct position.  
 The device is too near to the product inlet.

*Do not put the device near to the product inlet. If the product that enters the silo touches the antenna, the device will measure incorrectly. If the product fills the silo directly below the antenna, the device will also measure incorrectly.*

*For more data about the measuring range of each type of antenna, refer to Measuring accuracy on page 15.*

## 3.3.4 Process connections

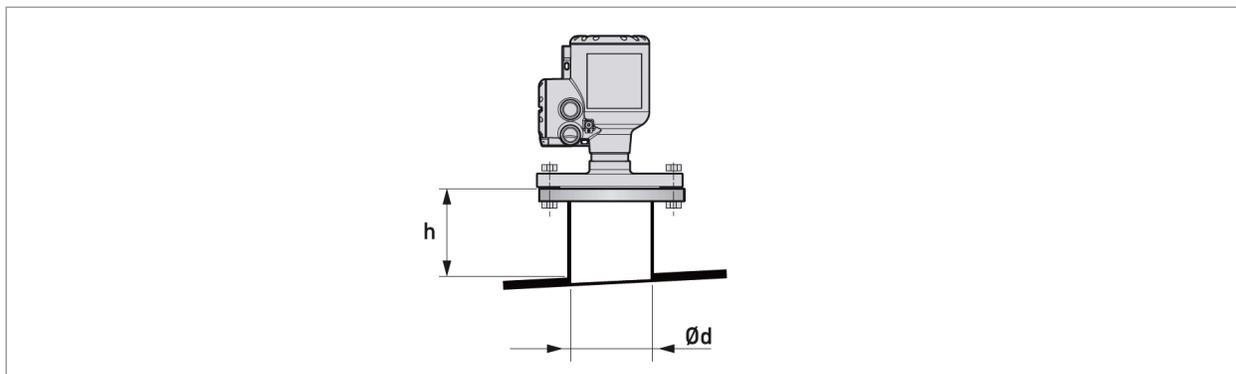


Figure 3-6: Flange connections

Ød = nozzle diameter  
 h = nozzle height

### Recommended nozzle size for flange connections

The nozzle must be as short as possible. Refer to the table below for the maximum height of the nozzle:

Nozzle and antenna diameter, Ød		Maximum nozzle height, h			
		Lens, DN40		Lens, DN70	
[mm]	[inch]	[mm]	[inch]	[mm]	[inch]
40	1½	50 ①	1.97 ①	—	—
50	2	50 ①	1.97 ①	—	—
80	3	150 ①	5.91 ①	200	7.87
100	4	200 ①	7.87 ①	300	11.81
150	6	250 ①	9.84 ①	500	19.69
200	8	300 ①	11.81 ①	500	19.69

### Threaded connections

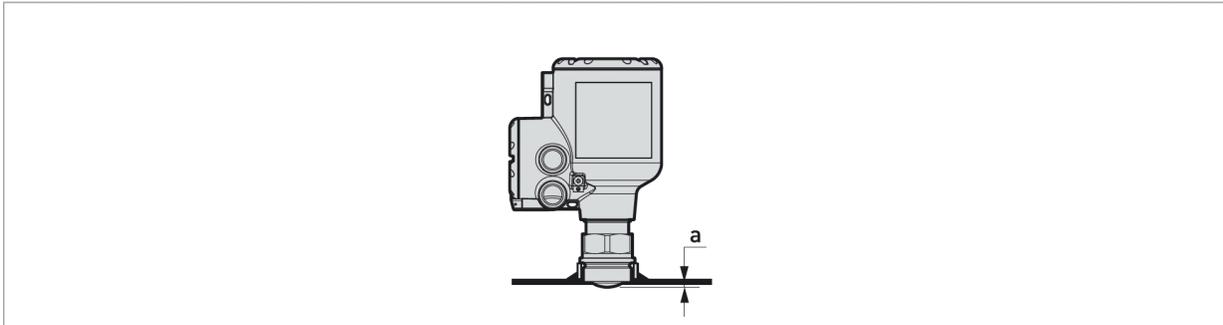


Figure 3-7: Threaded connections

a = 6 mm / 0.24", if the device has an threaded connection and DN40 Lens antenna

### Recommended socket size for threaded connections

The socket must be as short as possible. If the socket is in a recess, then use the maximum limits for nozzle dimensions (flange connections) in this section.

If the device has antenna extensions, this option extends the maximum socket height. Add the length of the antenna extensions attached to the device to this value.

## 4.1 Electrical installation: 2-wire, loop-powered

Terminals for electrical installation

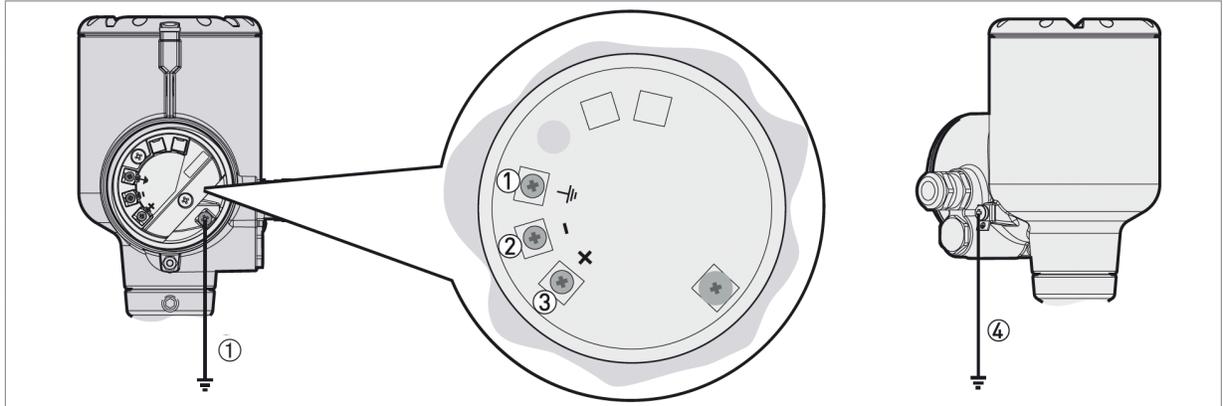


Figure 4-1: Terminals for electrical installation

- ① Grounding terminal in the housing (if the electrical cable is shielded)
- ② Current output -
- ③ Current output +
- ④ Location of the external grounding terminal (at the bottom of the converter)

Electrical power to the output terminal energizes the device. The output terminal is also used for HART® communication.

## 4.2 Non-Ex devices

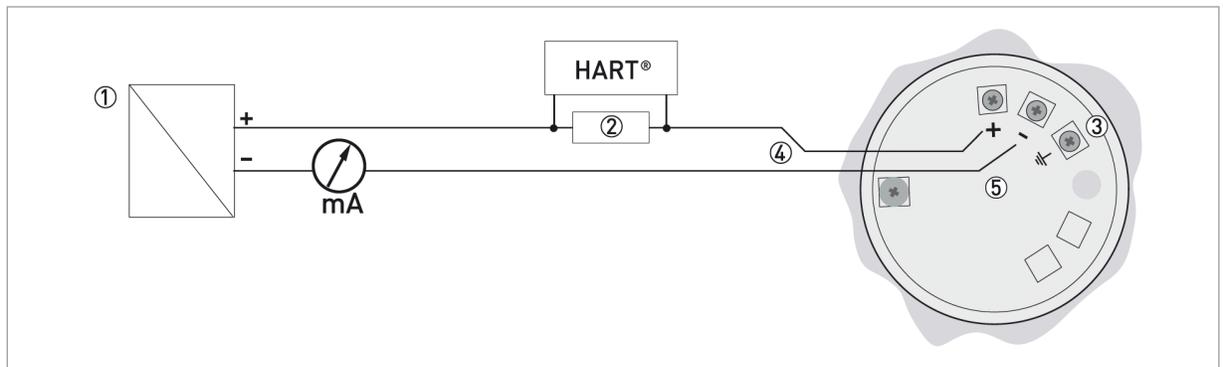


Figure 4-2: Electrical connections for non-Ex devices

- ① Power supply
- ② Resistor for HART® communication (typically 250 ohms)
- ③ Optional connection to the grounding terminal
- ④ Output: 12...30 VDC for an output of 21.5 mA at the terminal
- ⑤ Device

## 4.3 Devices for hazardous locations

For electrical data for device operation in hazardous locations, refer to the related certificates of compliance and supplementary instructions (ATEX, IECEx etc.). This information can be downloaded free of charge from the website ([drexelbrook.com](http://drexelbrook.com))

## 4.4 Networks

### 4.4.1 General information

The device uses the HART® communication protocol. This protocol complies with the HART® Communication Foundation standard. The device can be connected point-to-point. It can also have a polling address of 1 to 63 in a multi-drop network.

The device output is factory-set to communicate point-to-point. To change the communication mode from **point-to-point** to **multi-drop**, refer to “Network configuration” in the handbook.

### 4.4.2 Point-to-point connection

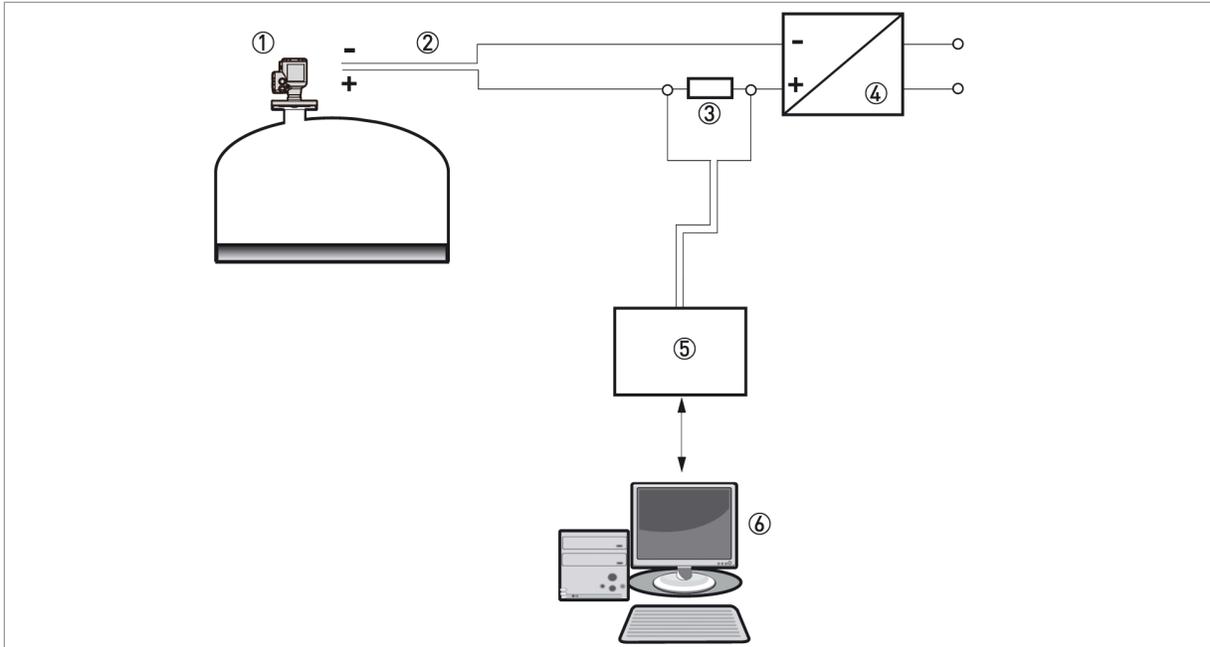


Figure 4-3: Point-to-point connection (non-Ex)

- ① Address of the device (0 for point-to-point connection)
- ② 4...20 mA + HART®
- ③ Resistor for HART® communication (typically 250 ohms)
- ④ Power supply
- ⑤ HART® converter
- ⑥ HART® communication software

### 4.4.3 Multi-drop networks

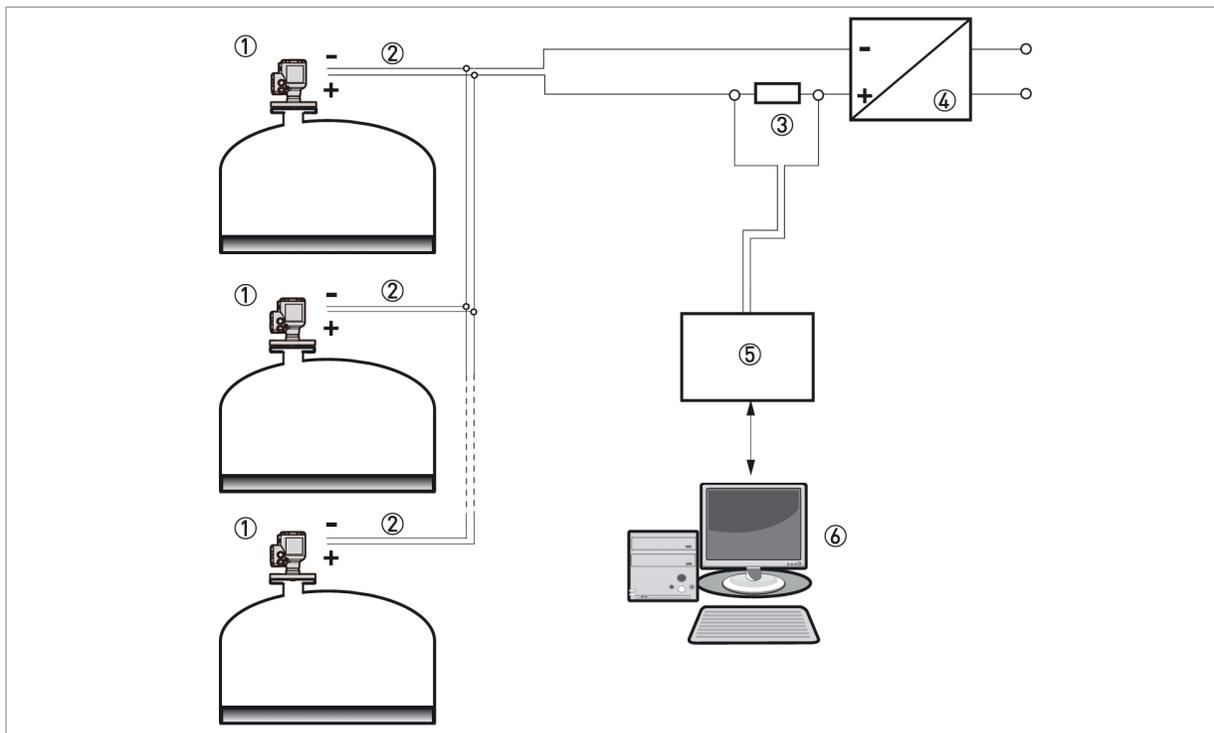


Figure 4-4: Multi-drop network (non-Ex)

- ① Address of the device (each device must have a different address in multidrop networks)
- ② 4 mA + HART®
- ③ Resistor for HART® communication (typically 250 ohms)
- ④ Power supply
- ⑤ HART® converter
- ⑥ HART® communication software

## 5.1 Order code

Make a selection from each column to get the full order code.

DR6500	4	1	<b>DR6500 80 GHz Radar (FMCW) level transmitter for powders and dusty atmosphere (up to 40 barg (580 psig) and 150°C (302°F))</b>		
			<b>Regional directives</b>		
			W	Worldwide	
			<b>Ex approvals</b>		
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			4	ASME B31.3	
			<b>Converter version (Housing material / IP class)</b>		
			2	C / Compact version (aluminium housing – IP66/68 0.1 barg)	
			3	C / Compact version (stainless steel housing – IP66/68 0.1 barg) ①	
			<b>Outputs</b>		
			1	2-wire / 4≥20mA passive HART®	
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## 6.1 Product family

### DR5200 (10 GHz) for liquids in storage and process applications



This 10 GHz 2-wire FMCW radar level transmitter measures distance, level, volume, mass and flow rate of liquids and pastes. It is ideal for corrosive products with its PP or PTFE antenna options. The device is able to measure distances up to 30 m / 98.4 ft in process conditions up to +250°C / +482°F and 40 barg / 580 psig.

The device complies with SIL2 requirements for safety-related systems (as per IEC 61508). Output options include HART® industrial communication protocol.

### DR5400 (24 GHz) for liquids in basic process applications



Designed for basic liquid applications, this market entry 24 GHz 2-wire FMCW radar transmitter provides accurate readings even in fast moving processes, in closed tanks or in the open air like rivers or dams. Its proven PP Drop antenna is insensitive to condensation.

The DR5400 can measure in process conditions with temperatures up to +130°C / +266°F and pressures up to 16 barg / 232 psig. The antenna options permit to measure distances up to 100 m / 328 ft. The device can be installed in high nozzles ( $\leq 1$  m / 3.28 ft) when it is fitted with antenna extensions.

DR7400 (24GHz)  
for agitated and corrosive liquids



This 24 GHz FMCW radar level transmitter is designed for liquids in harsh environment like tanks with agitators containing corrosives or in non-Ex applications with extremely high process temperatures, like molten salt in solar plants (+700°C / +1292°F). For toxic and dangerous products, the use of a Metaglas® second sealing barrier is recommended.

The PTFE and PEEK Drop antennas have optional flange plate protection for corrosive media. Heating and cooling systems prevent crystallization inside the Metallic Horn antennas. The device measures distances up to 100 m / 328 ft and can be installed in high nozzles ( $\leq 1$  m / 3.28 ft) when fitted with antenna extensions. Standard process conditions up to +200°C / 392°F; 100 barg / 1450 psig (higher on request).

DR7500 (80 GHz)  
for liquids in narrow tanks with internal obstructions



The small beam angle and negligible dead zone of this 80 GHz FMCW radar level transmitter makes it the premium choice for liquids in small and narrow tanks with internal obstructions like agitators or heating coils, as well as tanks with long nozzles. It can even measure through tank roofs made of nonconductive material (e.g. plastic, fiberglass or glass). The flush-mounted PEEK Lens antenna (no tank intrusion) is insensitive to deposit.

There is an extensive choice of process connections starting from  $\frac{3}{4}$ ". Flanges have an optional PEEK plate protection for corrosive tank contents. The DR7500 operates in process conditions with temperatures up to +150°C / +302°F and pressures up to 40 barg / 580 psig. It measures distances up to 100 m / 328 ft and a 112 mm / 4.4" extension is available for high nozzles.

DR3500 (80 GHz)  
for liquids with hygienic requirements



This 80 GHz FMCW radar transmitter for hygienic liquid applications in the pharmaceutical, food and beverage industries is CIP-SIP suitable and offers a large choice of hygienic process connections: Tri-Clamp®, Tuchenhagen VARIVENT®, SMS, DIN 11851, DIN 11864-1 Form A, NEUMO BioControl®.

The small dead zone and beam angle of its flush-mounted Lens antenna enables precise measurement even in small and narrow tanks with agitators. The DR3500 measures up to 50 m / 164 ft in process conditions up to +150°C / +302°F and 25 barg / 363 psig.

DR6400 (24 GHz)  
for solids from small particles to rocks



By combining high signal dynamics and FMCW radar technology, this market-entry 24 GHz radar device measures accurately and reliably the level of solids like stone, plastic pellets or coffee beans. No need for expensive antenna aiming kits or purging systems; the proven Drop antenna design minimizes scaling and is not affected by the angle of repose. It operates in process conditions with temperatures up to +130°C / +266°F and pressures up to 16 barg / 232 psig. The antenna options permit the device to measure distances up to 100 m / 328 ft.

DR6500 (80 GHz)  
for powders and dusty atmosphere



Accurate continuous level measurement of fine powders has to deal with a series of issues like dust, low-reflective media, build-up and uneven surfaces. The specific algorithms and high signal dynamics of this 80 GHz FMCW radar transmitter are the key to provide reliable and accurate readings despite these difficult conditions. Thanks to the small beam angle of the flush-mounted Lens antenna, this powerful device handles high and narrow silos even in the presence of internal obstructions.

The DR6500 operates in process conditions with temperatures up to +200°C / +392°F and pressures up to 40 barg / 580 psig. It offers an extensive choice of threaded ( $\geq 1\frac{1}{2}$ " ) and flanged ( $\geq \text{DN}50 / 2'$ ) process connections. The antenna options permit the device to measure distances up to 100 m / 328 ft. A 112 mm / 4.4" extension is available for high nozzles.

## 7 Notes

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