

Type 8712 is a unit for the control of the mass flow of gases that is relevant for most applications in Process Technology. The measured value provided by the sensor (see the description on page 2) will be compared in the digital regulation electronics with the predefined set point according to the signal; if a control difference is present, the control value output to the proportional valve will be modified using a Pl-control algorithm. Due to the fact that the sensor is directly in the bypass channel a very fast settling time of the MFC is reached. In this way, the mass flow can be maintained at a fixed value or a predefined profile can be followed, regardless of pressure variations or other changes in the system. Type 8712 can optionally be calibrated for two different gases, the user is able to

switch between these two gases. As the control element, a proportional valve working at low friction guarantees a high sensitivity and the good control characteristics of the unit. Typical application areas are gas dosing or rather the production of gas mixtures in:
Process technology

- Packaging and foodstuff industry
- Environmental technology
- Surface treatment
- Material coating
- Burner controllers
- Fuel cell technology

Technical Data		
Full scale ranges ¹⁾ (Q _{nom})	0.02 to 50 I_N /min N_2 equivalent	Vo Re
Operating media	neutral, non-contaminated gases, other gases on request	Po
Max. operating pressure (Inlet pressure)	10 bar (145 psi) depending on the orifice of the valve	Se
Calibration medium	operating gas or air with conversion factor	F
Medium temperature	-10 to +70°C	Ou
Ambient temperature	-10 to +50°C	I .
Accuracy (after 1 min. warm up time)	±0.8% of rate. ±0.3% F.S.	
Linearity	±0.1% F.S.	Fie
Repeatability	±0.1% F.S.	
Control range	1:50; 1:500 on request	
Settling time (t _{95%})) <300ms	
Body material	dy material stainless steel 1.4305	
Electr. housing material PPS		To
Sealing material	FKM, EPDM, others on request	Mo Lig
Port connections	G 1/4, NPT 1/4 or screw-in fitting	(De Bir
Control valve valve is closed when pow		(De
(proportional valve)	is off	
valve orifice	0.05 to 1.6 mm	
k _{vs} -value	0.0002 to 0.05 m ³ /h	Bir
Electr. connection round socket sub-HD socket	8-pin 15-pin	(De
Fieldbus comm.	9-pin sub-D socket 24V DC	Ce
Power supply	241 00	(see

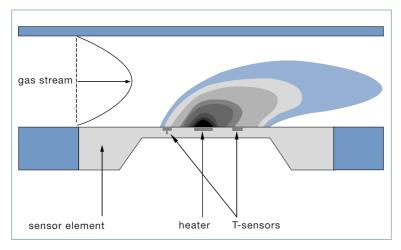
Voltage tolerance	±10%	
Residual ripple	<5%	
Power consumption	max. 7.5 W at 24V DC, max. 10 W at 24V DC with Fieldbus comm.	
Set point Feed impedance	0-5V, 0-10V, 0-20 mA or 4-20 mA >20 kΩ (voltage) <300 Ω (current)	
Output signal Max. current, volt. output Max. load, current output	0–5 V, 0–10 V, 0–20 mA or 4–20 mA 10 mA 600 Ω	
Fieldbus comm.	Profibus-DP, DeviceNet, others on request	
Protection class	IP65	
Dimensions [mm]	115 x 137.5 x 37 mm	
(without fitting)		
Total weight	1200 g	
Mounting position	horizontal or vertical	
Light emitting diodes (Default, other allocations possible)	indication for Power, Communication, Limit, Error	
Binary input (Default, other functions possible)	three 1. start autotune 2. not assigned 3. not assigned	
Binary output (Default, other functions possible)	two relay-outputs for 1. setpoint not reached 2. error (e.g. sensor fault) max.load: 60 V, 1 A, 60 VA	
Certification	various environmental testing,	
(see operating instructions)	electromagnetic compatibility	

Mass Flow Controller (MFC)

burkert Fluid Control Systems

¹⁾ at reference conditions 1.013 bar(a) and 0°C

Functional principle of the registration of the measured values



Notes regarding the selection of the unit

For the proper choice of the actuator orifice within the MFC, not only the required maximum flow rate Q_{nom} , but also the pressure values *directly* before and after the MFC (p_1 , p_2) at this flow rate Q_{nom} should be known. In general, these pressures are not the same as the overall inlet and outlet pressures of the whole plant, because usually there are additional flow resistors (tubing, additional shut-off valves, nozzles etc.) present both before and after the controller.

Please use the specification sheet (p. 4) to indicate the pressures *directly* before and after the MFC. If these should

The actual flow rate is detected by a sensor operating according to a thermal principle which has the advantage of delivering the mass flow without any corrections for pressure or temperature being needed.

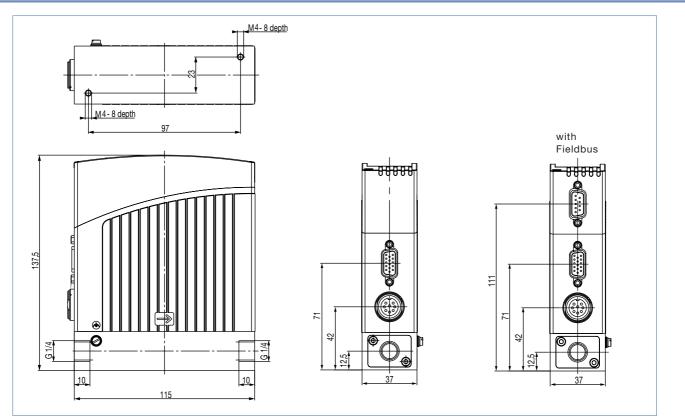
A small part of the total gas stream is diverted into a small, specifically designed bypass channel, that ensures laminar flow conditions. The sensor element is a chip immersed into the wall of this channel. The chip, produced in CMOS technology, contains a heating resistor and two temperature sensors (thermopiles) being arranged symmetrically upstream and downstream of the heater. The differential voltage of the thermopiles is a measure of the mass flow rate passing this bypass channel. The calibration procedure effectuates a unique assignment of the sensor signal to the total flow rate passing the device.

be unknown or not accessible to a measurement, estimates are to be made by taking into account the approximate pressure drops over the flow resistors before and after the MFC, respectively, at a flow rate of Q_{nom}.

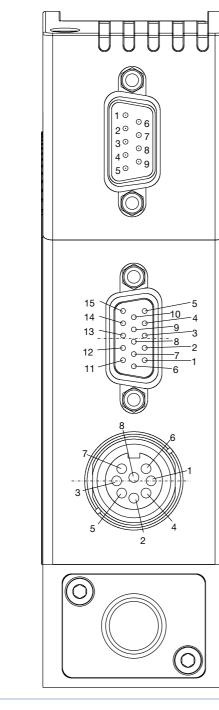
In addition, please quote the maximum inlet pressure p_{1max} to be encountered. This data is needed to make sure the actuator is able to provide a close-tight function within all the specified modes of operation.

The questionnaire on page 4 contains the relevant fluid specification. Please use in this way the experience of Burkert engineers already in the design phase and provide us with a copy of the questionnaire containing the data of your application together with your inquiry or order.

Dimensions [mm]



PIN Configuration



9-pin Sub-D socket

with Profibus-DP			
Pin	Connection		
1	shield		
2	not used		
3	RxD/TxD - P (B-line)		
4	RTS (control signal for repeater)		
5	GND		
6	VDD		
7	not used		
8	RxD/TxD - N (A-line)		
9	not used		
with DeviceNet			
Pin	Connection		
1	shield		
2	CAN I		

1	Shield
2	CAN_L
3	GND
4	not used
5	not used
6	not used
7	CAN_H
8	not used
9	not used

15-pin Sub-HD socket

Pin	Connection
1	signal input +
2	signal input GND
3	signal output +
4	binary input 2
5	12V-output (only company internal use)
6	RS232 TxD (direct connection to PC)
7	binary input 1
8	DGND (for binary inputs)
9	only company internal use (do not connect!)
10	12V-output (only company internal use)
11	12V-output (only company internal use)
12	binary input 3
13	signal output GND
14	RS232 RxD (direct connection to PC)
15	DGND (for RS232)
(with bus ve	rsion 1-3 and 13 not used)

8-pin socket round

Pin	Connection
1	supply 24V +
2	relay 1 - middle contact
3	relay 2 - middle contact
4	relay 1 - opener
5	relay 1 - closer
6	supply GND
7	relay 2 - closer
8	relay 2 - opener

Ordering table for accessories (connectors are not included in the delivery)

Article	Item no.
Round plug 8-pin Binder (solder termination)	918 299
Round plug 8-pin with 5m – cable, on one side prefabricated	787 733
Round plug 8-pin with 10m – cable, on one side prefabricated	787 734
SUB-HD-plug 15-pin with 5m – cable, on one side prefabricated	787 735
SUB-HD-plug 15-pin with 10m – cable, on one side prefabricated	787 736
RS232-adapter – for connection to a PC	654 757
Cable for RS232 9-pin socket/plug 2m	917 039
Adapter RS485	658 499
Configuration software (Mass Flow Communicator)	Info at
	www.buerkert.com

Specification	sheet for	MFC/MFM	applications

MFC-application	MFM-applic	ation	Quantity			Desired delivery da
Medium Data						
Type of gas (or gas prop	portion in mixtures	s)				
Density [kg/m³] ¹⁾						
Medium temperature [°C	C or °F]			°C		°F
Moisture content [g/m³]	l					
Abrasive components/s	olid particles		no		yes, as follows	
Fluidic Data						
Maximum flow Q _{nom}				I _N /min ¹⁾		cm _N ³ /min ¹⁾
				m _N ³ /h ¹⁾		cm _s ³/min (sccm) ²⁾
				kg/h		l _s /min (slpm) ²⁾
Minimum flow Q _{min}				I _N /min ¹⁾		cm _N ³ /min ¹⁾
				m _N ³ /h ¹)		cm _s ³/min (sccm)²)
				kg/h		l _s /min (slpm) ²⁾
Inlet pressure at Q _{nom}	р	1=		barg or		psig 🔳
Outlet pressure at Q _{nom}	р	2=		barg or		psig 🔳
Max. inlet pressure p _{1max}	x	[barg or		psig 🔳
Pipe run (external-Ø)				metric, mm		imperial, inch
MFC/MFM-port connect	tion		without screw	/-in fitting		
(1/4"-internal thread or se	crew-in fitting)			_	IN ISO 228/1)	
		Г	with screw-in		(ANSI B1.2)	
		L	with sciew-ii	7		
Ambient temperature				°C		
Material Data						
Body material			Stainless stee			
Sealing material			FKM	EPD	Other:	
Electrical Data						
Output/input signal		0-20 mA/0-20		4-20 mA/4-20	mA	
		L	0–10 V/0–10 V	/	0–5 V/0–5 V	
Fieldbus communication Profibus-DP DeviceNet						

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1) at: 1.013 bar(a) and 0°C 2) at: 1.013 bar(a) and 20°C

Please do not forget to fill in the customer data below

Company	Contact person
Customer No.	Department
Address	Tel./Fax
Postcode/Town/Country	E-mail

In case of special application conditions, please consult for advice.

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