



G005

APPLICATION

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IS Associated Apparatus for supply to
Class I, Division 1, Groups A, B, C, D;
Class II, Division 1, Groups E, F, G;
Class III, Division 1;
- Super fast 4.7kHz (-3dB) bandwidth
- Wide power supply range
- Voltage and current output options
- Three or Five wire mode connection



The G005 Galvanic Isolation Amplifier has been designed specifically for use with Althen Intrinsically Safe position sensors in hazardous applications. Althen IS sensors are ratiometric i.e. the output signal scales with the supply voltage, to ensure the safe area signal accurately corresponds with sensor displacement it is important that the sensor supply is correct.

The G005 Galvanic Isolation Amplifier provides a regulated and resistively limited +5V dc power supply required by Althen IS sensors, it can be connected in three or five wire modes. Used in five wire mode positive and negative sense inputs enable the G005 to dynamically adjust the sensor supply thus ensuring the correct voltage across the sensor. Connected in this way the G005 can compensate for 15Ω conductor resistance. The sense terminals are linked internally so the end user can use the G005 in three wire or five wire mode without the need to fit or remove external links.

The G005 has an input power supply range of 12 to 30 volts dc, making it suitable for a wide range of hazardous area applications. It is tri-port isolated providing isolation between the amplifier power supply, the hazardous area and the G005 output signal. The sensor supply and output are transformer coupled providing 2.5kV isolation between the safe and hazardous area circuits eliminating the requirement for a high-integrity earth. The output of the G005 is factory configured to either 0.5 to 9.5V or 4-20mA and has a bandwidth of 4.7kHz, making it ideal for servo control loops.

Output options available;

G005-545	0.5 to 9.5V
G005-546	9.5 to 0.5V
G005-425	4 to 20mA
G005-426	20 to 4mA

Versions are also available for potentiometer inputs.

The screw terminal connector plugs are coded to eliminate cross connection.

SPECIFICATIONS

Power Supply Voltage Current consumption (24V supply)	(J4 pins 1 {0V} and 3 {+V}) 24V dc Nom. 12V - 30V approx. 50mA [Voltage O/P] approx. 70mA [Current O/P]
Input Circuit	(J1 pins 1,2,3 & J2 pins 1 & 2) Transformer isolated
Intrinsic Safety Tamb.	[Ex ia Ga] IIC [AEx ia Ga] IIC, [Ex ia Da] IIIC [AEx ia Da] IIIC IS Associated Apparatus for supply to Class I, Division 1, Groups A, B, C, D; Class II, Division 1, Groups E, F, G; Class III, Division 1; Ta = -20°C ≤ Ta ≤ +60°C

SPECIFICATIONS (CONTINUED)

Safety Parameters Sensor supply Lead resistance compensation Input resistance	Umax. 30Vdc, Imax. 200mA, Uo / Voc 10.66V, Io / Isc 50.5mA, Po / Pout 121mW 5V @15mA max. 15Ω maximum (15mA) all connections (J1 pin 3) >5MΩ
Output Circuit Voltage Output resistance Current loop Load resistance	(J3 pins 1 {O/P-} and 3 {O/P+}) 0.5 to 9.5V 5Ω 4 to 20mA 0 - 1kΩ
Transfer Characteristics Non-linearity Temperature drift Settling time to 1% of span Rise time Bandwidth Isolation	< ± 0.1% FS < 0.01% FS/°C for voltage outputs < 300μs for 10-90% step change < 200μs 10-90% of step change dc to 4.7kHz (-3dB) 2500V between safe area terminals and hazardous area terminals, 50V between power rail (J4) and output (J3)
Electromagnetic Compatibility Ambient temperature range Housing Protection class Mounting Connector Conductor Size Weight	EN561236-2-1:2006 (EN31326-1:2006) -20° to 60°C working -40°C to +100°C storage 97.3 mm x 22.5 mm x 111.9 mm IP20 35x7.5 mm IEC/EN 60715 top-hat rail 0.2 to 2.5mm ² (26-12 AWG) 120g approx.

THREE OR FIVE-WIRE MODE CONNECTION

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 Althen 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[†] depends on conductors resistivity, which changes with temperature, cross sectional area[‡] 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 0.75mm², copper prices and ease of installation are other considerations.

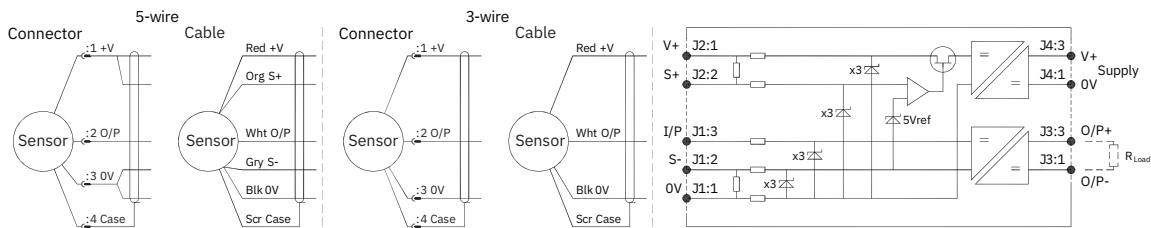
This is important because the effects of volts drop can significantly alter the perceived accuracy of the sensor which is ratiometric i.e. the output signal is directly affected by the voltage across the sensor. Changes in temperature will also be seen as gain variation in the sensor output.

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 mm² cable, longer lengths will require larger conductors.

For this reason Althen recommends five wire connections for cable lengths exceeding 10 metres in 0.25 mm² 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 (mm²)	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.

Althen sensors are supplied with three core 0.25 mm² cable as standard, however five core 0.25 mm² 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

[†] $R = \rho L / A$ ρ is the resistivity of the conductor (Ωm) L is the length of conductor (m) A is the conductor cross-sectional area (m²).
[‡] 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

CSA Certificate number CSA 12.2534055			[Ex ia Ga] IIC [AEx ia Ga] IIC, [Ex ia Da] IIIC [AEx ia Da] IIIC IS Associated Apparatus for supply to Class I, Division 1, Groups A, B, C, D; Class II, Division 1, Groups E, F, G; Class III, Division 1;		
Base Part N°	Module Supply Voltage	Module Supply Current: (Nom.)	Sensor Supply Voltage	Sensor Supply Current	Conductor Resistance Compensation
G005-	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 sensors previously manufactured for use with BX002 i.e. Z010 Note: G005 does not have the same pin connections as BX002		
420	4 to 20mA	Standard Output	For sensors previously manufactured for use with BX003 i.e. Z420 Note: G005 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. The use, installation, or maintenance of the module, in any other way than intended, may impair its operation or the protection it provides.

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.

SAFETY PARAMETERS

MECHANICAL MOUNTING

The module is designed to mounted on 35x7.5 mm IEC/EN 60715 top-hat rail.

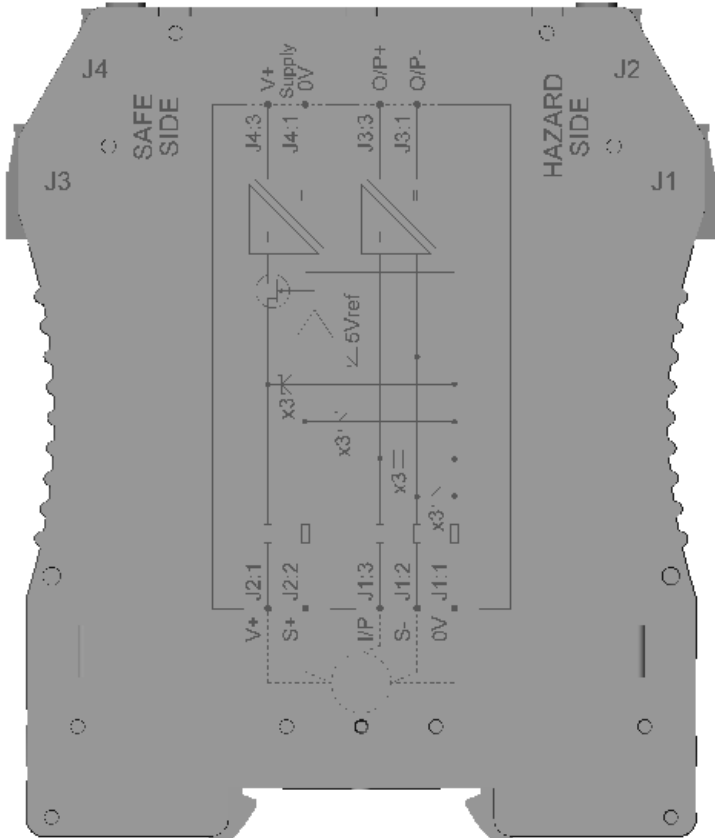
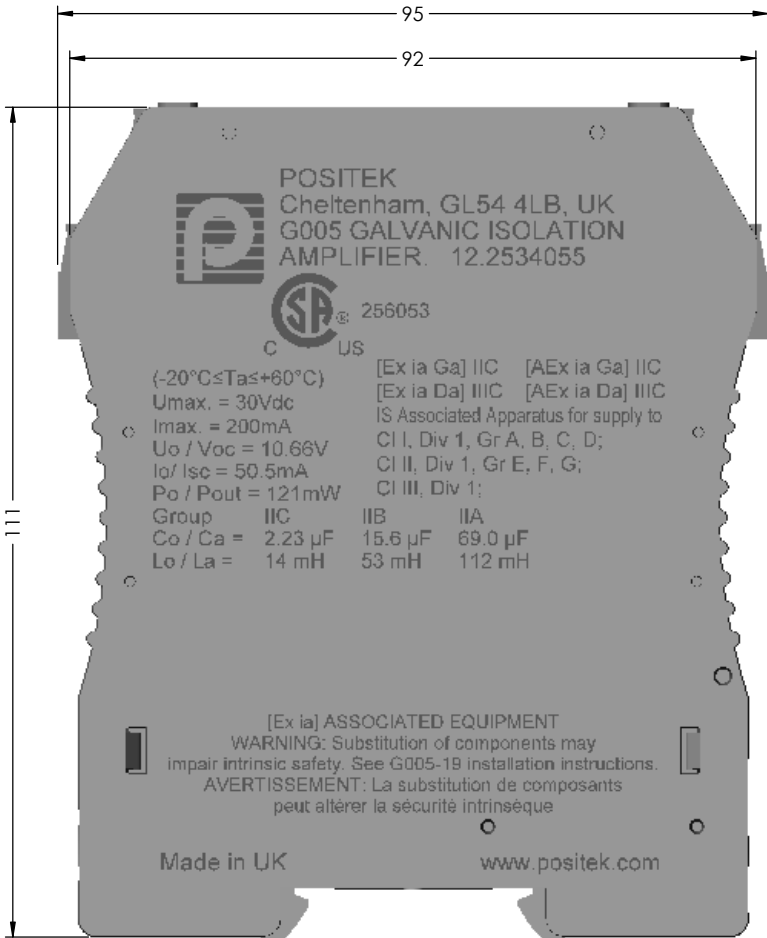
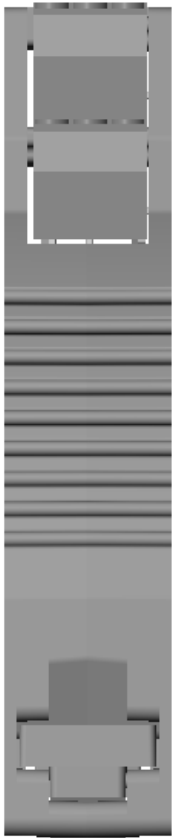
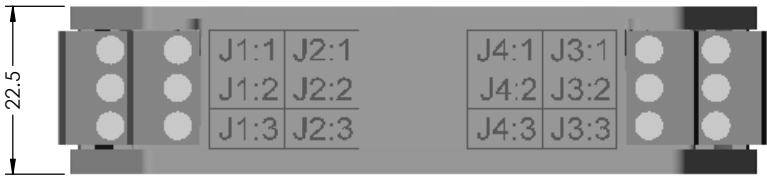
The module is designed for indoor use and should be mounted in a suitably rated enclosure in a designated safe area. It **must not** be installed in the hazardous area **without** the further provision of suitable certified hazardous area protection.

ENVIRONMENTAL CONDITIONS

Pollution degree: 2
Installation category: I
Altitude: up to 2000m
Humidity 80% to temperatures up to 31 °C decreasing linearly to 50% rH at 40 °C; /// max 80% rh, non condensing.

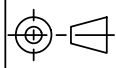
Tamb.	=	(-20°C≤Ta+60°C)	Lo / La	=	14mH	53mH	112mH
Umax.	=	30Vdc	Group		IIC	IIB	IIA
Imax.	=	200mA	Co / Ca	=	2.23μF	15.6μF	69.0μF
Uo / Voc	=	10.66V	or L/R Ratio =		295μH/Ω	1178μH/Ω	2357μH/Ω
Io / Isc	=	50.5mA					
Po / Pout	=	121mW					

NOTES:-
BEFORE USE READ INSTALLATION SHEET G005-19 FOR FULL INSTRUCTIONS.



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.

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APPROVED BY RDM	REV D		X ±0.4 X.X ±0.2 X.XX ±0.1 DIM'S mm
DESCRIPTION POSITEK GALVANIC ISOLATION AMPLIFIER CSA APPROVAL			
SCALE 1:1 A3	DRAWING NUMBER G005-11 SHEET 1 OF 1		