



Features and Benefits

- Self-detecting 0-10Vdc or 4-20mA
- (3-wire) output
- Fully configurable LCD Display
- Resistive temperature output option
- No jumpers or DIP-switches to select output type

Technical Overview

The GS-AQ-x-UN range offers a cost-effective single output for air quality measurement. These can also include a combination of familiar passive options such as temperature, set point adjustment & momentary switch plus an LCD display.

A unique feature of the sensor is its ability to automatically detect what sort of controller input it is connected to, 4-20mA or 0-10Vdc, removing the requirement for output jumpers which can be inadvertently set incorrectly. Just connect it to the controller input and it does the rest. PCB LED indication of which output type is in operation is provided, with diagnostic LED patterns for determining faults.

Product Codes

GS-AQ-S-UN Space Air Quality Transmitter
GS-AQ-D-UN Duct Air Quality Transmitter

Suffixes (add to part code)

-T Direct resistive temp. output (replace **T** with option below)*

Thermistor types:

A (10K3A1)	B (10K4A1)	C (20K6A1)
H (SAT1)	K (STA1)	L (TAC1)
M (2.2K3A1)	N (3K3A1)	P (30K6A1)
Q (50K6A1)	S (SAT2)	T (SAT3)
W (SIE1)	Y (STA2)	Z (10K NTC)

Platinum types:

D (PT100a) **E** (PT1000a)

Nickel types:

F (NI1000a) **G** (NI1000a/TCR (LAN1))

Interface Options (add to part code)

-SP Resistive set point †
-MS Momentary switch †
-LCD Integral LCD display

† Only available on Space Sensor types

Specification

Outputs	0-10Vdc or 4-20mA self-detecting (not loop powered)
Power supply	24Vac/dc
Country of origin	UK
Conformity	EMC, CE & UKCA Marked

Space Sensor type:

Ambient:		
Temperature		0 to 50°C
RH		0 to 95% RH, non-condensing
Housing:		
Material		ABS (flame retardant)
Colour		Polished white finish
Dimensions		115 x 85 x 30mm
Protection		IP30

Duct Sensor type:

Environmental:		
Housing		-30 to 60°C
Media		0 to 95% non-condensing -10 to 50°C
Housing:		
Material		PC/GF (Halogen free, flame retardant & UV stabilized)
Dimensions		125 x 105 x 85mm
Probe:		
Material		Probe, PVC - End cap, Delrin
Dimensions		210 x 19mm dia.
Protection		IP65

Note*:

When using the -T option, the thermistor is not compensated for internal self heating.

WEEE Directive:



At the end of the products useful life please dispose as per the local regulations. Do not dispose of with normal household waste. Do not burn.



Sensor Characteristics

IAQ (air quality)

Measurement range	0 to 100%
	0 = good air quality
	100% = bad air quality
	<15% no action needed
	15 to 60% start to open dampers
	>60% fully open dampers
Type	Tin oxide
Warm up period	15 minutes approx.
Conditioning period	7 days
Life expectancy	5 years

Optional Passive Output

Type	Resistive PTC & NTC types
Accuracy:	
Thermistor	±0.2°C 0 to 70°C
Platinum types	±0.2°C @ 25°C
Nickel types	±0.4°C @ 25°C
LCD	To show measured value
Set point	Resistive 1-11kΩ ±30%
Momentary switch	VFC 24Vac/dc 50mA max.

Installation



Antistatic precautions must be observed when handling these sensors. The PCB contains circuitry that can be damaged by static discharge.

GS-AQ-S-UN:

Select a location on a wall of the controlled space which will give a representative sample of the prevailing room condition. Avoid sitting the sensor in direct sunlight, on an outside wall or near heat sources. An idea mounting height is 1.5m from the floor.

Undo the tamperproof screw at the bottom of the housing and remove the front panel from the base.

Using the base as a template mark the hole centres and fix to the wall with suitable screws. Alternatively, the base plate can be mounted on to a conduit box or standard recessed back box. The base plate is suitable for EU & North America fixings.

Feed cable through the hole in the base plate of the housing and terminate the cores at the terminal block as required. Leaving some slack inside the unit.

Replace the housing to the base plate and tighten the tamperproof screw (if required) through the lug at the bottom of the base plate.

Allow 3 minutes before checking functionality, and at least 30 minutes before carrying out pre-commissioning checks. This will allow the electronics time to stabilise.

GS-AQ-D-UN:

Select a location in the duct where dust & contaminants are at a minimum (i.e. after filters etc.) and which will give a representative sample of the prevailing air condition.

Fix the housing to the duct with appropriate screws.

Release the snap-fit lid by gently squeezing the locking tab.

Feed the cable through the waterproof gland and terminate the cores at the terminal block. Leaving some slack inside the unit, tighten the cable gland onto the cable to ensure water tightness.

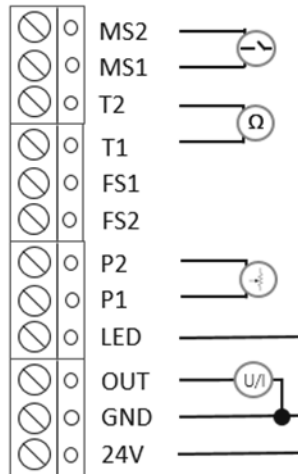
If the sensor is to be mounted outside, it is recommended that the unit be mounted with the cable entry at the bottom. If the cable is fed from above then into the cable gland at the bottom, it is recommended that a rain loop be placed in the cable before entry into the sensor.

Before powering the sensor, ensure that the supply voltage is within the specified tolerances.

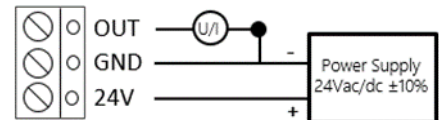
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Connections

MS2	Momentary switch output (VFC)
MS1	Momentary switch output (VFC)
T2	Direct thermistor output (resistive)
T1	Direct thermistor output (resistive)
FS1	Not used
FS2	Not used
P2	Set point (resistive)
P1	Set point (resistive)
LED	Occupied/unoccupied text on LCD
OUT	0-10Vdc or 4-20mA (3-wire) IAQ output
GND	Common 0V
24V	Supply + 24Vac/dc



Example connection for IAQ output with external power supply:



Options

- T (if fitted)** Direct resistive output is between terminals T1 and T2, polarity is independent. When using the -T option, they are not compensated for internal heating.
- Set point (if fitted)** This is available in the following value 1kΩ to 11kΩ
- Momentary switch (if fitted)** Rated at 24Vac/dc @ 500mA max.
- LCD (if fitted)** The display will show IAQ measurement only. It will not show the optional suffixes (temperature, set point & fan speed).

Status LED's

The LEDs are labelled LED1 and LED2. On power up or when the load resistance is in the "forbidden zone" (550R to 3K) the LEDs will flash alternately. Once the system has established which mode to operate in, the appropriate led will be on and not flashing.

- LED1 **Current output**
- LED2 **Voltage output**

An 'Error Halt' will occur if a CO₂ sensor element is not fitted or is faulty, both LEDs are on and the output is set to zero.

Self-Test

PCB Self Test:

Push button is for 50% output. Press and hold, the output in voltage mode it may take several seconds to settle. The screen displays 50% message when active (if display is fitted).

Occupied/unoccupied text on LCD

When an applied voltage of 0 to 4.9V override text is off and 5 to 10V override text is then displayed.

Notes

The sensor element responds to a broad range of contaminants, such as Ammonia (NH₃) and Hydrogen Sulphide (H₂S), generated from waste materials in office and home environments. It also has high sensitivity to low concentrations of VOCs such as toluene emitted from wood finishing and construction products.

The sensor has a heated element with a nominal resistance in clean air. This resistance decreases in the presence of detectable VOCs. This is a nominal resistance, is different for each sensor element and will change during the life of the sensor. To allow for this, on powering the sensor a period of time is required before the sensor achieves thermal equilibrium (about ten minutes). During this process the system determines the resistance for the sensor element fitted, with this value being used for air quality calculations. While in operation this reference value is constantly monitored and adjusted as necessary.

During the ten-minute warm-up after power is applied, the sensor not be exposed to strong VOCs. During this period the output will register zero or GOOD air quality. During warm-up period the unit calibrates itself, it is important that the environment around it is clean uncontaminated air and free from odours, cigarette smoke and low occupancy. If exposed to VOCs during this time the calibration will be wrong, though it will correct itself after a couple of hours in clean air.

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