

Membrane Level Monitor

for Bulk Goods



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NMF



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Areas of Application

Membrane level monitors allow economic level monitoring of bulk goods in storage vessels.

They may be used to indicate full and empty states and load demand for dusty, powdery, granulated and grainy bulk goods.

They are suitable for use with bulk materials (0.3 to 2.5 t/m³) and particle sizes up to 30 mm.

The devices will operate faultlessly provided the bulk goods flow easily at not too small an angle.

Only such materials exert sufficient operating pressure on the detector fitted in the wall of the silo.

Method of Operation

The housing made of cast aluminium or glass-fibre-reinforced plastic carries the membrane retained by a screwedon ring.

With its own weight the bulk material presses against the membrane wich is prestressed with a spring through to the support. A plunger fixed to the membrane transfers the pressure directly to a microswitch with changeover contact. If the bulk material subsides, the membrane is relieved and the contact is switched back.

The sensitivity can be adjusted with a spring. The monitor can thus be optimised for the type of fill and the instal lation conditions.

For use with bulk goods

for example:

- Alum
- Bauxite
- Ceramics
- Dolomite

Fish meal

Gravel

- Peas, peanuts
- Rice

Nuts

Fruit

Pearlite

Quartz sand

- Sand, slag
- Insulating materials various granulates
- Coffee beans

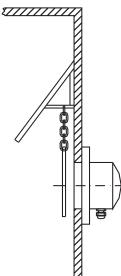
Oats, hazelnuts

- Long grain rice
- Maize, almonds
- Clay and
- Wheat
- Miscellaneous grain
- Sugar

Installation with very coarse-grained and sharp-edged bulk goods:

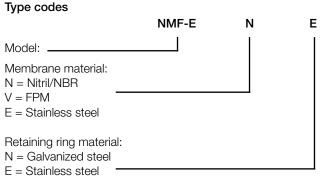
The installation of guards is recommended for very large grained and sharp-edged materials with high specific weight.

A proposal for such a guard is shown in the sketch. The guard mounted over the level monitor protects sensor and membrane against damage from dropping bulk material. The curtain (made of rubber or plastic, for instance) protects the membrane from excessive wear by hanging against the membrane as the amount of bulk material increases. Make sure that the monitor is not in the path of the inflowing material, as otherwise monitor and membrane would be destroyed very quickly.



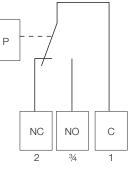
Technical Details

Installation position:	vertical
Maintenance:	none
Cable entry fitting:	M20x1,5
Switch-in delay:	no
Contact loading capacity:	4 A at 250 V _{AC} floating changeover contact



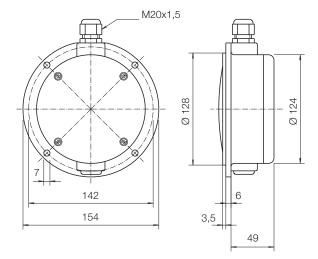
A = Cast aluminium

Connection diagram



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Model NMF-E...: most economic

Membrane made of nitrile

retaining ring in galvanised steel or stainless steel 1.4324 housing in glass-fibre-reinforced

adjustable between 60 g and 200 g

IP 40 screwed fitting bottom IP 53 screwed fitting top max. 4 A at 250 V_{AC} -20...+60°C depressurised,

overpressure max. 1 bar

or FPM

plastic GRP 530 g

M20x1,5 0 s any

Model NMF-F...: For greater wall thicknesses

Materials:	Membrane made of nitrile or FPM retaining ring in galvanised steel or stainless steel 1.4324 housing in glass-fibre-reinforced plastic GRP	Materials:
Weight:	480 g	Weight:
Sensitivity:	adjustable between 60 g and 200 g	Sensitivity:
Protection:	IP 40 screwed fitting bottom IP 53 screwed fitting top	Protection:
Contact loading:	max. 4 A at 250 V_{AC}	Contact loading:
Temperature range:	-20+60°C	Temperature range:
Max. pressure:	depressurised, overpressure max. 1 bar	Max. pressure:
Cable entry fitting:	M20x1,5	Cable entry fitting:
Switch-in delay:	0 s	Switch-in delay:
Installation position:	any	Installation position:

Order Details (Example: NMF-ENN)

Membrane	Retaining ring	Order no.
Nitvilo	Galvanised steel	NMF-ENN
Nitrile	St. steel 1.4324	NMF-ENE
FPM	Galvanised steel	NMF-EVN
FPIM	St. steel 1.4324	NMF-EVE

Order Details (Example: NMF-FNN)

Membrane	Retaining ring	Order no.
Nitrile	Galvanised steel	NMF-FNN
INITINE	St. steel 1.4324	NMF-FNE
FPM	Galvanised steel	NMF-FVN
	St. steel 1.4324	NMF-FVE

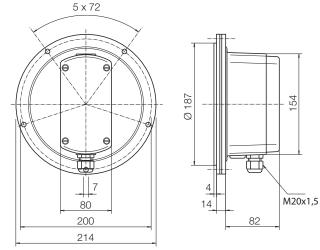
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M20x1,5 Ø 128 Ø 124 142 3.5 154 25 49

Model NMF-D...: with double-membrane

Model NMF-B...: for higher temperatures



Materials:	Membrane made of nitrile or FPM retaining ring in galvanised steel or stainless steel 1.4324	Materials:	Membrane made of NBR, FPM or stainless steel 1.4301 retaining ring in cast aluminium housing in cast aluminium
	housing in glass-fibre-reinforced plastic GRP	Weight:	1700 g
Weight:	750 g	Sensitivity:	adjustable between 100 g and 200 g (NMF-BNA, NMF-BVA)
Sensitivity:	adjustable between 60 g and 200 g		adjustable between 200 g and 500 g
Protection:	IP 65		(NMF-BEA)
Contact loading:	max. 4 A at 250 V_{AC}	Protection:	IP 40 screwed fitting top IP 53 screwed fitting bottom
Temperature range:	-20+70°C	Contact loading:	max. 4 A at 250 V_{AC}
Max. pressure:	depressurised, overpressure max. 1 bar	Temperature range:	Membrane NBR -20+80°C
Cable entry fitting:	M20x1,5		FPM -20+150°C St. steel -20+200°C
Switch-in delay:	0 s	Max. pressure:	depressurised,
Installation position:	any		overpressure max. 1 bar
		Cable entry fitting:	M20x1,5
		Switch-in delay:	0 s

Order Details (Example: NMF-DNN)

Membrane	Retaining ring	Order no.
Nitrile	Galvanised steel	NMF-DNN
Nitrile	St. steel 1.4324	NMF-DNE
FPM	Galvanised steel	NMF-DVN
	St. steel 1.4324	NMF-DVE

Order Details (Example: NMF-BNA)

any

Installation position:

Membrane	Retaining ring	Order no.
NBR	Cast aluminium	NMF-BNA
FPM	Cast aluminium	NMF-BVA
Edelstahl	Cast aluminium	NMF-BEA