Installation Instructions for SCAD TM1 and TM2 Tank Monitors & External Sensor for Plastic Tanks

Introduction

This instruction manual is for the SCAD models TM1 (one tank) and TM2 (two tanks) monitors. The monitor can be used with SCAD's electronic external paste-on or internal rod style sensors, for water, gray water or holding tank applications. The monitor will also read standard 240-33 Ohm or European 10-180 Ohm float sensors, which are commonly used for fuel.

Included Parts

Required Tools and Materials

- 1. Monitor display
- 2. Wire harness
- 3. Inline 1 Amp fuse
- 4. Electronic external sensor module
- 5. 60 inches of aluminum sensor tape
- 6. 5 self tapping mounting screws

- 1. Drill with 1/2 inch (13mm) drill bit.
- 2. 22-18 AWG butt-splice terminations (preferably waterproof with heat shrink adhesive) and wire termination tools
- 3. 22 AWG stranded wire in 3 colors, preferably 3conductor with red, blue or green, and black. Must span from the display to each sensor.
 - Isopropyl alcohol to clean any residue off the tank surface.
 - 5. #1 Phillips screwdriver

Installation

Display Mounting

- 1. Choose a location for the monitor display that is away from weather or spilled fluids. Be sure there is sufficient access behind the panel to route the wires.
- Hold the display with the face toward the mounting surface and mark the location of each of the four screw holes. Draw an X connecting the screw hole marks to determine the center. Measure down 5/16" from the center mark and Drill a 1/2 inch hole.

External Sensor Foil Placement for Plastic & Fiberglass Tanks

- 1. Choose an area on the tank to mount the 2 inch aluminum foil tape (supplied). Avoid areas near conductive objects such as metal objects or wiring harnesses.
- 2. Measure the height of the tank and cut two strips of aluminum tape that are each one inch shorter than the height of the tank. Flatten the strips.
- 3. The sensor strips should be positioned 2 to 4 inches apart and 1/2 inch from the top of the tank. Clean the area for the strips with isopropyl alcohol and firmly press the strips onto the tank.
- 4. Choose a one square inch area anywhere between the sensor strips to mount the sensor module. Clean the area with isopropyl alcohol. Remove the plastic liner from the adhesive on the back of the sensor module and firmly stick the module to the tank.
- 5. Use isopropyl alcohol to clean areas on the foil strips to attach one module electrode on each strip. Remove the adhesive liner from the copper electrodes at the ends of the white wires and press them firmly onto the strips.

System Wiring

- 1. Wire color code (BLACK wires are interchangeable)
 - a. RED Positive power. Connects to inline fuse then to + 12 to 24 VDC.
 - b. BLACK Power ground. Connects to battery negative.
 - c. WHITE Power to sensor. Connects to RED wire(s) on sensor(s)
 - d. BLUE Sensor signal. Connects to BLUE wire on sensor tank 1.
 - e. BROWN Sensor signal. Connects to BLUE wire on sensor tank 2.
 - f. BLACK Sensor ground. Connects to BLACK wire(s) on sensor(s).
 - g. ORANGE Powers user provided external devices during an alarm condition. 1 Amp max.
- Route 3-conductor #22 AWG wire (not supplied, see Required Tools and Materials) to each of the sensor modules. Pull the wire through the 1/2 inch hole you drilled in the Display Mounting instructions. Leave enough slack to strip and splice to the wire harness that plugs into the monitor display.
- 3. Strip about 5/16 inches from the wires and connect the wires as described in Figure 1. We suggest using 22-18 waterproof heat shrink butt splice crimp connectors for your connections.
- 4. Plug the wire harness into the display monitor as shown in Figure 1.
- 5. Carefully screw the panel to the wall with the supplied #2 sheet metal screws. Hint: While not recommended, if using in a wet location, place a bead of silicone around the back edge of the monitor before screwing it to the wall creating a seal to help prevent water from getting to the plug and electronics.



Software Setup

Overview

The software setup involves selecting options for parameters including sensor type, tank shape, and alarm function. Each parameter has several options, which are sequentially displayed as a flashing light (selectable option) or constant light (selected option) for 5 seconds before proceeding to the next option. Options are selected by tapping the touchpad. If you make a mistake, wait for the setup to complete and repeat the process. Setup also includes a tank calibration step that must be set for both empty and full when the tank is actually at those levels. Setup options are stored in memory even when power is removed. The following table is a reference for the Setup Instructions below:

ENTER SETUP: Touch touchpad until after lights illuminate from 1/8 through 7/8, then release.								
E	1/8	1/4	3/8	1/2	5/8	3/4	7/8	F
SENSOR TYPE					10-180 Ohm	240-30 Ohm	Internal	External
	TANK SHAPE				Horizontal Cylinder	Severe taper	Mild taper	Rectangle
Alarm on empty		ALARM TYPE		No alarm		External alarm wire		Alarm on full
ENTER CALIBRATION: Tap touchpad while middle three lights are flashing.								
Empty				CALIBRA TION				Full

Setup Instructions

- ENTER SETUP MODE: Press and hold touchpad 1 until lights illuminate from 1/8 through 7/8 after which the lights will turn off indicating the monitor is in setup mode. Remove your finger from the touchpad. Repeat the setup instructions for tank 2 on model TM2 using touchpad 2.
- PARAMETER OPTION SELECTION: The setup mode sequentially advances to each option for each parameter every 5 seconds and advances to the next parameter. Tap the touchpad to select a desired option if its light is flashing. Parameters and options are presented as follows:
 - a. E light on = SENSOR TYPE parameter is active
 - i. F light = SCAD external paste-on foil sensor option
 - ii. 7/8 light = SCAD internal rod sensor option
 - iii. 3/4 light = 240–30 Ohm resistor type float sensor option
 - iv. 5/8 light = 10-180 Ohm resistor type float sensor option
 - b. 1/8 light on = TANK SHAPE parameter is active
 - i. F light = Rectangular
 - ii. 7/8 light = Mild taper
 - iii. 3/4 light = Severe taper (almost triangular shape)
 - iv. 5/8 light = Horizontal cylinder
 - c. 1/4 light on = ALARM TYPE parameter is active
 - i. F light = Alarm on full
 - ii. E light = Alarm on empty
 - iii. 1/2 light = No alarm
 - iv. 3/4 light = External alarm wire energized on alarm condition. This is selectable if "Alarm on full" or "Alarm on empty" were

previously selected. When the 3/4 light is flashing, the wire will not energize on alarm condition. Tap the touchpad to turn this option on. The 3/4 light will then be continuously on.

- EXIT / RE-ENTER PARAMETER OPTION SELECTION: All lights will turn off, then on again for five seconds. If you want to re-enter the parameter option selection setup again, tap the touchpad. If you do not tap the touchpad, the monitor will proceed to calibration setup.
- 4. ENTER CALIBRATION SETUP: Next, the three top center lights will flash (3/8, 1/2 and 5/8) for five seconds. To enter the calibration setup, tap the touchpad while the lights are flashing. To skip the calibration setup, do nothing and the monitor will proceed to normal operation.
- 5. CALIBRATION: The 1/2 light will stay on to indicate the monitor is in calibration setup mode. Empty and full calibrations can be set at any time in any order. For example, if the monitor is in normal operating mode and you need to set an empty or full calibration, enter setup mode, wait for the parameters and options to sequence through, and then enter calibration mode as described above. Then calibrate as follows:
 - a. EMPTY Calibration With an empty tank, while the E light is flashing, tap the touchpad to record the empty level. Do not tap the touchpad if you don't want to set the empty calibration.
 - b. FULL Calibration With a full tank, while the F light is flashing, tap the touchpad to record the full level. Do not tap the touchpad if you don't want to set the full calibration.
- 6. EXIT CALIBRATION SETUP: All lights will turn off after full calibration and the monitor will return to normal operation.

Operation

The moment power is applied to the monitor, each light will quickly turn on and off as it boots up, after which it will be in normal operation. The monitor will automatically check for an alarm condition every few minutes.

To see the level of a tank, tap the touchpad. The level will display for 3 seconds. For continuous level display, tap the touchpad again within the 3 seconds. This is a handy feature for monitoring the level while filling or pumping out a tank. The TM2 model will indicate the tank being monitored by illuminating the light next to the number 1 or 2. To exit continuous read mode, tap the touchpad.

Alarm Function

If the tank was set to alarm on full, the F light will flash if the level is over 7/8. If the tank was set to alarm on empty, the E light will flash if the tank is below 1/8. On model TM2, lights 1 or 2 will indicate which tank is alarming.

External Alarm

The monitor provides an external alarm function for tank 1 only. During an alarm condition, the orange external alarm wire is energized with the battery voltage level capable of current up to 1 Amp, which can be used to power an indicator light, audible alarm or relay.

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