Model GD-K8A4X Supplement to the GD-K8A Operator's Manual

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WARNING

Read and understand this instruction manual before operating instrument. Improper use of the gas monitor could result in bodily harm or death.

Periodic calibration and maintenance of the gas monitor is essential for proper operation and correct readings. Please calibrate and maintain this instrument regularly! Frequency of calibration depends upon the type of use you have and the sensor types. Typical calibration frequencies for most applications are between 3 and 6 months, but can be required more often or less often based on your usage.

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RKI Instruments, Inc. warrants gas alarm equipment sold by us to be free from defects in materials, workmanship, and performance for a period of one year* from the date of shipment from RKI Instruments, Inc. Any parts found defective within that period will be repaired or replaced, at our option, free of charge. Parts must be returned to RKI Instruments, Inc. for repair or replacement. This warranty does not apply to those items which by their nature are subject to deterioration or consumption in normal service, and which must be cleaned, repaired or replaced on a routine basis. Examples of such items are:

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b) Fuses d) Filter elements

Warranty is voided by abuse including mechanical damage, alteration, rough handling, or repair procedures not in accordance with instruction manual. This warranty indicates the full extent of our liability, and we are not responsible for removal or replacement costs, local repair costs, transportation costs, or contingent expenses incurred without our prior approval.

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We do not assume indemnification for any accident or damage caused by the operation of this gas monitor and our warranty is limited to the replacement of parts or our complete goods. Warranty covers parts and labor performed at RKI Instruments, Inc. only, and does not cover field labor or shipment of parts back to RKI.

Overview

This supplement describes the differences and additional features of the Model GD-K8A4X compared to the GD-K8A. It also describes how to install, startup, maintain, and calibrate the GD-K8A4X.

Specifications

Table 1 lists specifications for the GD-K8A4X.

Table 1: Specifications

Target Gas & Detector Range	Refer to the RKI Instruments Inc. List of Detectable Gasses
Enclosure Type	NEMA 4X
Sampling Method	Diffusion
Input Power	24 VDC
Signal Output	4 to 20 mA
Response Time	90% in 60 seconds
Accuracy	See GD-K8A manual

WARNING: When using the GD-K8A4X, you must follow the instructions and warnings in this manual to assure proper and safe operation of the GD-K8A4X and to minimize the risk of personal injury. Be sure to maintain and periodically calibrate the GD-K8A4X as described in this manual.

Description

This section describes the components of the GD-K8A4X. It consists of the enclosure, the sensor and amplifier from a GD-K8A, and a wiring terminal strip.

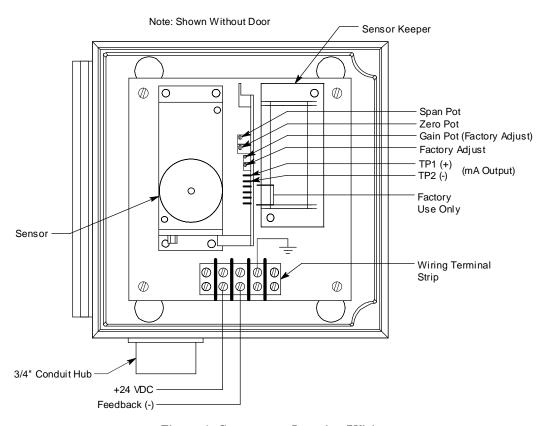


Figure 1: Component Location/Wiring

Enclosure

The enclosure is a type NEMA 4X plastic enclosure designed for use in areas that are subject to rain or hosing down. A mounting foot is installed in each corner. A hole in the front door allows the sensor to sample the ambient air by diffusion. A rain shield installed over the hole protects the sensor from water. A 3/4" conduit hub is located on the bottom of the enclosure for wire entry.

Sensor/Amplifier

The sensor/amplifier from a GD-K8A is mounted to a sensor plate. The sensor plate is mounted to a mounting plate with four standoffs. See the GD-K8A Operator's Manual for a complete description of the sensor and amplifier.

Wiring Terminal Strip

A three point terminal strip is located near the bottom of the enclosure on the mounting plate for connections to the controller.

Installation

This section describes how to install the GD-K8A4X at the monitoring site.

Mounting the GD-K8A4X

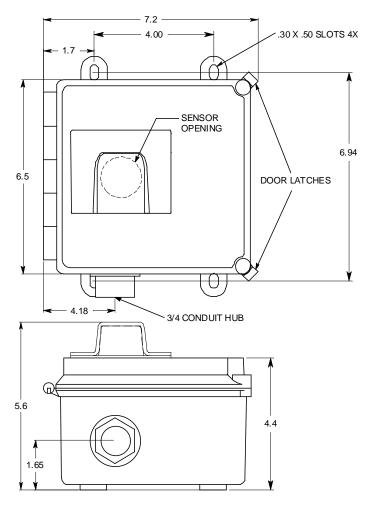


Figure 2: Outline & Mounting Dimensions/Component Location

- 1. Select a mounting site that is representative of the monitoring environment. Consider the following when you select the mounting site.
 - Select a site that is easily accessible for servicing.
 - Select a site where the GD-K8A4X is not likely to be bumped or disturbed. Make sure there is sufficient room to make wiring connections at the bottom of the GD-K8A4X. Also make sure there is sufficient room to perform start-up, maintenance, and calibration procedures.
 - Use four 1/4" screws through the mounting feet to mount the GD-K8A4X to a vertical surface. See Figure 2 for the mounting dimensions.

Wiring the GD-K8A4X to a Controller

WARNING: Always verify that power to the GD-K8A4X and to the controller are off and that the controller's power switch is in the off position before making wiring connections or adjustments.

- 1. Turn off power to the controller.
- 2. Place the controller's power switch in the OFF position.
- 3. Use the conduit hub at the bottom of the GD-K8A4X for routing shielded cable into the enclosure. See Figure 1 for the wiring connections.
- 4. Connect the cable shield's drain wire to a chassis ground at the controller, but do not connect it at the GD-K8A4X.

CAUTION: Leave the cable shield's drain wire insulated and disconnected at the GD-K8A4X. You will connect the opposite end of the cable shield's drain wire at the controller.

CAUTION: At the controller, do not route power and GD-K8A4X wiring through the same conduit hub. The power cable may disrupt the transmission of the GD-K8A4X's signal to the controller.

Start Up

See the GD-K8A Operator's Manual for GD-K8A startup instructions.

Operation

See the GD-K8A Operator's Manual for an operational description of the GD-K8A sensor/amplifier that is mounted inside the enclosure.

Maintenance/Calibration

See the GD-K8A Operator's Manual for maintenance and calibration instructions. Open the enclosure door to gain access to the sensor for calibration.

Parts List

Table 2 lists replacement parts and accessories for the GD-K8A4X. See the GD-K8A Operator's manual for other spare parts.

Table 2: Parts List

Part Number	Description
18-0107RK	3/4" conduit hub