## Introduction

Your Gems DM21 Rate Meter with Total is one model in a family of 1/8 DIN units which offers breakthrough display technology as well as easy-to-program single-line parameters. Designed to provide instant visual feedback regarding an application's key input value, the DM21 not only has a 0.71" high LED display (27% larger than other 1/8 DIN units), but also the ability to change display color based on process status (programmable parameter in Operation Mode). Easy programming is made possible via a help function and a secondary legend display.

This manual will guide you through the installation and wiring of your DM21 unit with information on proper panel mounting and rear terminal layout and wiring instructions. In addition, the instrument's operation and programming modes are thoroughly explained. The Operation Mode provides day to day operation and allows editing of preset values. The Program Mode enables the configuration of various parameters prior to initial operation. These parameters include those for basic configuration as well as other settable features which will enhance the functionality and usability of

the device.

This manual also provides information on the DM21 Rate Meter with Total's alarms; transistor, relay and linear outputs; product specifications; and ordering and warranty procedures.



## Features

- AWESOME 0.71" high digit LED display
- Programmable color change display based on an event
- Programmable help function and secondary legend display
- Display configurable for update time, min. number of pulses, and forced zero time
- Optional linear output relative to rate
- Choice of NPN, PNP, or magnetic primary input
- Filter speed settable for 20, 200, or 10,000 Hz
- Standard outputs: two NPN transistors & one relay (optional 2nd relay)
- Front panel reset enable and alarm lockout
- Optional RS-485 plug in card
- CE approved

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## INSTALLATION



Mounting Grooves drawing ab

The instrument can be mounted in a panel with a thickness of up to 6mm. The cutout(s) should be made based on the recommended panel opening illustrated in the drawing above.

Insert the unit in the panel through the cutout. Ensure that the panel gasket is not distorted and the instrument is positioned squarely against the panel. Slide the mounting clamp into place on the instrument, as shown to the left, and push it forward until it is firmly in contact with the rear face of the mounting panel and the tabs on the bracket arm are seated in the mounting grooves on the side of the unit.

The electronic components of the instrument can be removed from the housing after installation without disconnecting the wiring. To remove the components, grip the side edges of the panel and pull the instrument forward. Take note of orientation of the unit for subsequent replacement in the housing.

#### **Bracket Arm**

## WIRING

#### **REAR TERMINAL CONNECTIONS**



#### **Count Inputs**

Terminal #2 is the connection for Input A, which is programmable to be the rate channel and total. Terminal #1 is the connection for Input B, which is programmable to be an incrementing input, a decrementing input, or channel B of encoder input. Input B cannot be used for rate - it only serves as a secondary input for total. The common connection for both Input A and Input B is Terminal #3.

## **Control/Digital Inputs**

A contact closure or NPN signal can be used to activate preconfigured functionality. Terminal # 5 is used for a remote reset function, while Terminal #6 is a security function, that when active, will prohibit entry into Program Mode. Termina 1 #8 serves as the common for both of these inputs.

## **Auxiliary Power Output**

A 9 - 15 VDC for powering external sensors and encoders up to 125 mA can be accessed by connecting the positive supply side of the sensor to Terminal #4 and the negative side to Terminal #8.

## Linear Output

An option board may be installed that provides a 10 bit linear output signal relative to the Rate Value. Terminal #12 is the positive side of the connection, and Terminal #10 is the negative side. The default range of the output is 4-20 mA, but can be changed via the front panel to 0-20 mA, 0-10 VDC, 2-10 VDC, 0-5 VDC, or 1-5 VDC.

## Input Power

For an AC powered unit, Terminal #13 serves as the line or Hot side connection for AC powered units and as the positive side for DC powered units. The neutral side for AC powered units and the negative side for DC powered units are connected to Terminal



#### **Transistor Outputs**

Your unit comes standard with 2 NPN outputs which are activated by each of the alarms. Transistor Output 1, which is tied to the High Alarm Value, is on Terminal #7. Transistor Output 2, which is tied to the Low Alarm Value, is on Terminal #9. Terminal #8 serves as the common connection for both transistor outputs.

#### **Relay Outputs**

Your unit comes standard with a relay output which is tied to the High Alarm Value. Terminal #19 is NC, Terminal #20 is common, and Terminal #21 is NO. A second relay output tied to the Low Alarm Value can be added as an option at the time of order or later installed in the field. Terminal #22 is NC, Terminal #23 is common, and Terminal #24 is NO.

## **Serial Communication**

An RS-485 communication board, utilizing ASCII protocol, can be installed as an option. Terminals #16 & #17 serve as the B and A connections respectively, while Terminal #18 is connected as the common.

#### Terminals 11 & 15 are not used.

# **OPERATION**

# FRONT PANEL Primary Display Output Indicators Secondary Display Down Key Scroll Key Program Key Reset Key

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Key Functions

Key	Function
Down	<i>In Operation Mode</i> : Used in edit operation to decrement the digit highlighted by the Scroll key.
	<i>In Program Mode</i> : Used in Edit Operation to decrement the digit <b>highlighted</b> by the Scroll key, if the setting is a numerical value, or present the next in the series of choices for that parameter.
Scroll	<i>In All modes</i> : Moves the unit into Edit Operation, which is indicated by the left most digit flashing. Successive presses of the key are used to move to the digit to be edited. Wrap around will occur from least significant digit to most significant digit.
Program	<i>In Operation Mode</i> : Used to move between the rate value display, count value display, & the alarms and to enter an edited alarm value. <b>Holding the key down for 3 seconds</b> will cause the unit to enter Program Mode.
	<i>In Program Mode</i> : Used to move from one parameter to the next and enter the edited parameter values. <b>Holding the key down for 3 seconds</b> will cause the unit to return to Operation Mode.
Reset	<i>In Operation Mode</i> : Resets the Count Values to zero. This button can be disabled via the "Front Panel Reset Enable" parameter in Program Mode. <i>In All modes:</i> No function.
Down & Scroll together	<i>In All modes</i> : Will abort an Edit Operation and return the alarm/parameter to its previous value.

## **Display Functions**

Display	Function	
Primary	<i>In Operation Mode</i> : Default display is the rate value. Can be scrolled using the program key to display the count value and alarm values. If the "Help" function is enabled, this display will first show the parameter description for 3 seconds (see page 5 for example).	
	<i>In Program Mode:</i> Displays the value or selection for the current parameter. If the "Help" function is enabled, this display will first show the parameter description for 3 seconds (see page 6 for example).	
Secondary	<i>In Operation Mode:</i> Indicates alphabetically which parameter is being viewed on the primary display. <i>In Program Mode:</i> Provides a 1 digit alpha or numeric character to indicate which parameter value is being shown on the primary display.	
Output Indicators	In Operation Mode: OP1 illuminates when Output 1 is active. OP2 illuminates when Output 2 is active. In Program Mode: No function.	

## **OPERATION MODE**

#### **CHANGING A PARAMETER VALUE**



Default display is the rate value.



Pressing the Program Key will cause the display description to appear on the main display.\* If there is no key activity for 3 seconds, the primary display will switch back to the rate value.



Continued pressing of the Program Key will scroll through the Parameters. (See Parameter Sequence below.) The full parameter description will appear on the main display.\*

To change a Parameter value, press the Scroll Key. If there was no key activity for 3 seconds, the Preset value will appear (one digit description shown on secondary display); however, press the Scroll Key in order to edit. The unit will now be in Edit Operation as signified by the most significant digit flashing.\*\*







Use the Scroll Key to move from left to right and highlight the digit that needs to be changed. Wrap around will occur from the least significant to the most significant digit.

Use the Down Key to decrement the digit until the desired value appears. The display will wrap around from 0 to 9.

After the desired digits have been changed, press the Program Key to enter the new value. The new value will appear on the main display without any flashing digits. Press the Progam Key again and the parameter description will appear on the main display.

\* Parameter descriptions will not appear on the primary display if the "Help" function has been disabled. \*\* Edit Operation cannot be accessed if the Preset Lock has been enabled in Program Mode.

## PARAMETER SEQUENCE



## Rate Value

*Function:* Displays present rate value *Range:* 0 to 99999



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Count Value

*Function:* Displays present count time *Range:* 0 to 99999



## **High Alarm Value**

*Function:* Defines the rate or count value at or above which Alarm 1 will activate

Adjustment Range: 0 to 99999 Default Value: 1000

## Low Alarm Value

*Function:* Defines the rate or count value at or below which Alarm 2 will activate *Adjustment Range:* 0 to 99999 *Default Value:* 10

## PROGRAM MODE

## ENTERING PROGRAM MODE AND BASIC OPERATION

The Program Mode can be accessed from the Operation Mode by holding the Program Key for 3 seconds.



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#### Edit Operation



Pressing the Scroll Key or no key activity for 3 seconds will display the value for that parameter. The secondary display will indicate the one digit identifier for the parameter. The digit in the secondary display will flash to indicate the unit is in Program Mode. If the Scroll Key was pressed (instead of waiting 3 seconds), the unit is in Edit Operation, as indicated by the MSD flashing. If there had been no key activity for 3 seconds, press the scroll key to enter Edit Operation (MSD flashing). Use the scroll and edit buttons to change the value as in Operation Mode, described on page 5. Press the Program Key to enter any changes.

The name of the first parameter will appear on the primary display.\*

Successive presses of the Program Key will scroll the display through the remaining parameters in the Program Mode. **To exit** Program Mode, **hold the Program Key for 3 seconds.** 

\* Parameter names will not appear on the main display if the "Help" function has been disabled in Program Mode.

## PARAMETER SEQUENCE









## **Count Calibration Factor**

*Function:* Used to scale the input into engineering units by multiplying this value by the number of pulses received

Adjustment Range: 0.0001 to 9.9999 Default Value: 1.0000

## **Decimal Position**

*Function:* Set the decimal point position for the count display Adjustment Range: 0 to 0.0000 Default Value: 0

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## **PROGRAM MODE Continued**













#### **Rate Calibration Factor Decimal Point**

*Function:* Sets the decimal point position for the rate calibration factor display Adjustment Range: 0 to 0.0000 Default Value: 0

## **Rate Calibration Factor**

*Function:* Used to scale the input into engineering units by multiplying this value by the input frequency *Adjustment Range:* 0.0001 to 99999 *Default Value:* 1

#### **Rate Decimal Point Position**

*Function:* Sets the decimal point position for the rate display *Adjustment Range:* 0 to 0.0000 *Default Value:* 0.0

#### **Count Mode**

*Function:* Defines how the input pulses will be applied to the count value *Adjustment Range:* 

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A-B: Inputs on the A

channel increment the

B channel decrement

total, while inputs on the

A+B: Inputs on both the

A & B channels

increment the total

Default Value: A+B



Directional: When input B is inactive, input A increments. When input B is active, input A decrements

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Quadrature: The unit accepts a phased input from an encoder. The total increments when the A channel leads the B channel





#### Input Type

Function: Programs the unit to match the electrical characteristics of the input signal

Adjustment Range:



Default Value: Sinking

Sinking: The unit will accept a NPN or dry contact input which sinks voltage to common



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Magnetic: The unit will accept a magnetic input from 0.5 to 30V peak

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## **PROGRAM MODE Continued**



#### Filter Speed

contact bounce

Adjustment Range:

Default Value: 1

Default Value: 10000

**Display Update Time** 

Function: Sets the amount of time between display updates

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0.25 sec.

*Function:* Enables the debounce filter of the meter to properly match the application *Adjustment Range:* 



20: The unit will accept up to 20

eliminate false counts caused by

pulses per second. Generally

used with contact inputs to



200: The unit will accept up to 200 pulses per second. Generally used for higher speed contact inputs or to filter noise on electronic signals in low speed applications



10,000: The unit will accept up to 10,000 pulses per second. Generally used with high speed electronic inputs and encoders

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1 to 10 sec.





## **Display to Zero Time**

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*Function:* Displays minimum input frequency by setting the amount of time after no pulses are received, when the display will show zero

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0.5 sec.

Adjustment Range:



Default Value: 1

## Minimum Pulses

*Function:* Sets the minimum number of pulses to be received before the display will update the rate value. Note: Display Update Time and Minimum Pulses must be realized before the display will update.

Adjustment Range: 1 to 99

Default Value: 10

#### Startup Suppression

*Function:* Determines the delay period that will occur after power-up before alarm operation is possible *Adjustment Range:* 0 to 99 secs. *Default Value:* 0











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## **PROGRAM MODE Continued**

## Front Panel Reset Enable

Function: Determines whether the Front Panel Reset key can be used to reset the rate value Adjustment Range:

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Enable: The rate value can be reset while being viewed in Operation Mode by pressing the Front Panel Reset Key

Disabled: The Front Panel Reset Key is disabled and the rate value can only be reset through the Remote Reset Input





## **Retransmission Enable/Select**

Function: Determines whether a voltage/current is an output, and if so, which range

Adjustment Range:



Default Value: None

## Retransmission Scale Minimum (Appears only if a current/voltage is selected)

Function: Defines the lower end of the linear scale for the retransmission output by defining the value equated to the minimum output signal - i.e. for a 4-20 mA output, this would be the value corresponding to 4 mA

Adjustment Range: 0 to 99999

Default Value: 0

## Retransmission Scale Maximum (Appears only if a current/voltage is selected)

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Function: Defines the lower end of the linear scale for the retransmission output by defining the value equated to the minimum output signal - i.e. for a 4-20 mA output, this would be the value corresponding to 20 mA

Adjustment Range: 0 to 99999

Default Value: 100

## **Serial Communication Enabled**

Function: Activates the RS-485 communication option board

Adjustment Range:



None: No communication Fitted: A communication board installed board is installed in the unit

Default Value: If ordered from the factory with the RS-485 board, the default will be "fitted". If the board is installed in the field, this parameter will need to be changed from its default of "none" 9



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## **PROGRAM MODE Continued**







**Communication Address** (Appears only if communication board is installed and activated) Function: Defines the unique communication address of the counter

Adjustment Range: 1 to 99

Default Value: 1

#### Baud Rate (Appears only if communication board is installed and activated)

Function: Selects the serial communication speed

Adjustment Range:

1200	2400	4800
1200 BPS	2400 BPS	4800 BPS
Default Value: 4800		

## **Display Color Change**

Function: Defines the color of the display for prior to and after the preset value is reached

Adjustment Range:





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Green to Red: The display will be green prior to the Alarm value being reached. It will turn red after the Alarm has been reached

Red to Green: The display will be red prior to the Alarm value being reached. It will turn green after the Alarm has been

reached

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Default Value: Green to Red

## **Preset Lock**

Function: Determines whether the Preset Values can be changed via the front panel

Adjustment Range:



Enable: Preset values are read only *Default Value:* Disable

## **Help Prompt**

*Function:* Determines whether the multi-character parameter name will appear on the main display for 3 seconds prior to the parameter value appearing

changed

Adjustment Range:



Help - Yes: Multi-character parameter descriptions will appear on the primary display. The value associated with that parameter will appear by pressing the scroll key or waiting for 3 seconds



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Disabled: Preset values can be viewed and

Help - No: Only the parameter values will appear on the primary display. The parameter can be identified by a single digit in the secondary display

Default Value: Help - Yes

# APPENDIX A

## SPECIFICATIONS

#### **Count Inputs**

Type:Sinking/Sourcing or Contact ClosureFrequency:10 kHz max.Logic:Low  $\leq 2.0$  VDC, High  $\geq 3.0$ , 30V max.Impedance:10 K $\Omega$  to common - Sourcing4.7 K $\Omega$  to +Voltage - SinkingMagnetic Input:0.6 to 30V peak

#### **Control Inputs**

Type: Logic: Impedance: Response Time: Function: Sinking, Edge Sensitive Low  $\leq 2.0$  VDC, High  $\geq 3.0$ 4.7 K $\Omega$  to +Voltage 25 ms Input 1: Remote Reset Input 2: Security Lockout

#### Outputs

Solid State:NPN open collector, 30 VDC max, 100 mA max.Relay:SPDT, 5A resistive @ 110VACLatency:75 μ seconds, plus 8 ms for relay pull-in

## **Linear Outputs**

## Approvals

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Complies with EN50082-1:	1992,
EN50082-2: 1995	
Complies with EN50081-1:	1992,
EN50081-2: 1994	
Complies with EN61010-1:	1993
	Complies with EN50082-1: EN50082-2: 1995 Complies with EN50081-1: EN50081-2: 1994

## Communication

Type:	Serial asynchronous, UART to UART
Data Format:	Open ASCII: One start bit, even parity seven
	data bits, one stop bit
Physical Layer:	RS-485
Maximum Zones:	99
Baud Rate:	Selectable from 9600, 4800, 2400, or 1200

#### Electrical

Supply Voltage: 90-264 VAC, 50/60 Hz, or 20-50 VAC/VDC Power Consumption: 4 Watts Access. Power Supply:9-15 (unregulated VDC), 125 mA max.

#### Display

Туре:	Red/Green, 7 segment LED, 5 digits primary
	display, single digit secondary display
Height:	0.71" (18mm) primary display,
0	0.3" (7mm) secondary display
Annunciators:	Output 1 & 2 status

## Physical

Dimensions: Mounting: Terminals: Front Panel Rating: Case Material: Weight: 48mm x 96mm, 110mm deep Panel mount (mounting bracket supplied), 45mm x 92mm cutout Screw type - combination head NEMA 4X/IEC IP65 GE Lexan 940 0.56 lbs.

#### Environmental

Operating Temp.: Storage Temp.: Relative Humidity:  $0^\circ$  to  $55^\circ$  Celsius,  $32^\circ$  to  $131^\circ$  Fahrenheit -20° to  $80^\circ$  Celsius, -4° to  $176^\circ$  Fahrenheit 20% to 95% non-condensing

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## WARRANTY

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