

Pirani Standard Gauges





General Note

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1 Description

1.1 General

These Operating Instructions contain important information on the functions, installation, start-up and troubleshooting of the Pirani Standard Gauge PSG050 / PSG051.

Caution Indicates procedures that must strictly be observed to prevent damage to, or destruction of, the Pirani Standard Gauge.

The references to diagrams, e.g. (3/5), consist of the Fig. No. and the item No. in that order.

Unpack the Pirani Standard Gauge immediately after delivery, even if it is to be installed at a later date.

Note

Retain the packaging materials in the event of complaints about damage.

Carefully examine the visually. If any damage is discovered, report it immediately to the forwarding agent and insurer. If the gauge head has to be replaced, please get in touch with the orders department.

1.1.1 Purpose

The Pirani Standard Gauge are vacuum gauge heads which are operated in connection with the operating units VGC012 and VGC023.

The gauge head is used for the measurement of absolute pressures in the rough and fine vacuum range in accordance with the technical data of Section 1.2.

1.2 Technical data

Pirani Standard Gauge PSG050

Measurement range	0.5·10 ⁻³ to 10 ³ mbar
Filament temperature	110 °C
Permissible overload (absolute)	3 bar
Measurement volume	11 cm ³
Connection flange	DN 16 KF or 1/8" NPT thread
Filament material	Tungsten



Material in contact with the medium aluminium, glass, Vacon, tungsten, chrome-nickel 8020, steel nickel-plated, Epoxy adhesive

Operating temperature	0 to 40 °C
Max. ambient temperature	80 °C

Pirani Standard Gauge PSG051

Measurement range	0.5·10 ⁻³ to 10 ³ mbar
Filament temperature	110 °C
Permissible overload (absolute)	10 bar
Measurement volume	10 cm ³
Connection flange	DN 16 KF
Filament material	Platinum

Material in contact with the medium

Stainless steel 1.4301, platinum, chrome nickel 8020, ceramics Al₂O₃, NiFe 42 Operating temperature 0 to 40 °C Max. ambient temperature 80 °C

1.3 Technical description

The actual pressure sensing element within the PSG050 is a tungsten filament.

The PSG051 is made of stainless steel with a welded ceramics feedthrough. The sensing element within the PSG051 uses a platinum filament.

The gauge heads are supplied fully aligned. Any alignment or recalibration will - if at all necessary - be required only after a longer period of operation.

The gauge heads are temperature compensated for the range from 0 $^{\circ}$ C to 40 $^{\circ}$ C.

The measurement cells can be easily exchanged should this be required. After an exchange of the sensing cell a recalibration is required by adjusting two potentiometers within in the gauge head; see Section 2.2.

1.4 Equipment

1.4.1 Supplied equipment

	Part Number
PSG050	399-500
PSG050 (NPT)	399-501
PSG051	399-502
Operating Instructions	tina16e1



2 **Operation**

2.1 Connection of the gauge head

Important The gauge head must be installed in such a way, that when venting the vacuum system the admitted air may under no circumstances be directed straight at the gauge head. Otherwise the fine wire within the gauge head may be damaged.

Install the gauge head vertically, i.e. with the flange facing downwards. Dimensional drawing see Fig. 1. The dimensions given in brackets refer to the Pirani Standard Gauge PSG051. Otherwise the dimensions are the same for both gauge heads.

The maximum permissible ambient temperature for the gauge head is 80 °C. However, at this temperature the accuracy specified for the gauge head is no longer ensured, as the temperature compensation is only effective up to 40 °C.

If the gauge head is subjected to strong thermal radiation, it has to be protected by a suitable thermal screen. In case that heat is transferred to the gauge head via the connection cable, a section of the connection cable may be cooled by a cooling spiral.



Any contamination of the sensing cell will impair the accuracy of the pressure readings obtained. Thus special care must be taken in the presence of substances which can not be removed by solvents.

Suitable orifice plates or bends may be employed to keep any possible sources of contamination away from the gauge head.

Bent lines should be laid in such a way that no condensate can collect and in particular so that the vacuum line





is not blocked.

The gauge heads are connected to the operating unit via standard gauge head cables.

The ground lines which lead to the outside (black cable with lug) on the connectors of gauge head cables Part Number 399-600, 399-601 and 399-602, are used to provide a ground connection between the gauge head and the Controller.

Caution The ground wire may only be connected if potential equalization between the flange of the vacuum apparatus and the operating unit is ensured. If necessary install the gauge head so that it is electrically isolated from the vacuum apparatus.

Note

The "FIL pt" setting applies when connecting a PSG051 as also described in the corresponding Operating Instructions.

The connecting plug can be safely attached to the gauge via the securing bow. To do so, push the bow over the connecting pug and let them snap in the provided holes which are in the shell.



2.2 Alignment

2.2.1 Alignment of the gauge head in connection with Vacuum Gauge Controller with analogue displays

Alignment is performed as follows:

Remove the caps covering the potentiometers on the gauge head.

Vent vacuum system and set 100 % potentiometer (2/1) so that the pointer of the control unit meter shows full-scale deflection, i.e. it should point to 100 on the linear scale.

Pump down vacuum system to a pressure below 10^{-3} mbar and set "0" potentiometer (2/2) so that the pointer is on 0 of the meter scale.

Vent vacuum system and recheck the 100 % adjustment. Correct deviation, if any, by means of potentiometer.

If a correction of the 100 % adjustment was necessary the zero adjustment must be repeated in any case.

After having completed the alignment fit the caps to cover the potentiometers.

2.2.2 Alignment of the gauge head in connection with operating units VGC012 or VGC023

For this refer to the alignment instructions given in the corresponding operating instructions.



3 Maintenance

3.1 Exchanging the sensing cell

Note

One half of the housing (3/1) is fitted with plastic catches (3/2) which must properly engage in the slots (3/8) provided in the other half of the housing (3/7) so as to firmly connect the two halves of the housing (3/1) and (3/7).

Apply a screwdriver to the upper slit on the longer front so as to disengage the plastic catch (3/2) by pushing it backwards. At the same time pull both halves of the shell (3/1) and (3/7) apart a little.

Next apply a screwdriver to the lower slit on the longer front so as to disengage the plastic catch by pushing it backwards. At the same time pull both halves of the shell apart a little more.

Repeat this for the shorter front.

Detach shell (3/1).

Remove the contact spring (3/4) by loosening the fixing screw (3/3)

Remove the sensing cell (3/11) together with the pcb. and plug (3/6) from the remaining shell.

Carefully separate the sensing cell (3/11) from the pcb. (3/6).

Remove the insulating plate (3/5) from the measurement cell.

Exchange the sensing cell.

Note

- Insert insulating plate (3/5) between printed circuit board and measurement cell.
- When installing a new sensing cell on the pcb. it is not required to maintain a particular polarity between the pins on the sensing cell and the mating connector.
- During assembly of the gauge head make sure that the holder (3/10) has been placed in the housing shell and that the temperature sensor is pressed against the sensing cell.

The gauge head is reassembled in the reverse order.



Key to fig. 3 1 One half of the housing with plastic catches 2 Plastic catch 3 Fixing screw 4 Contact spring 6 5 Insulating plate 6 Pcb. complete 7 One half of the housing 5 with slots Contractions of the second sec 8 Slots for opening the housing Δ 9 Cap 10 Holder 11 Sensing cell 3 nn 9 2 10 00 11 2 OR Fig. 3 Disassembled PSG050 / PSG051



3.2 Service at INFICON's

Warning



Contaminated products (e.g. radioactive, toxic, caustic or microbiological hazard) can be detrimental to health and environment.

Products returned to Inficon should preferably be free of harmful substances. Adhere to the forwarding regulations of all involved countries and forwarding companies and enclose a duly completed declaration of contamination (see Annex).

Products that are not clearly declared as "free of harmful substances" are decontaminated at the expense of the customer.

Products not accompanied by a duly completed declaration of contamination are returned to the sender at his own expense.

Disposal

Warning

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Contaminated parts can be detrimental to health and environment.

Before beginning to work, find out whether any parts are contaminated. Adhere to the relevant regulations and take the necessary precautions when handling contaminated parts.

Warning

Substance detrimental to the environment



Products or parts thereof (mechanical and electric components, operating fluids etc.) can be detrimental to the environment.

Dispose of such substance in accordance with the relevant local regulations.

4 Spare parts list

Sensor	PSG050	(DN 16 KF)	
Sensor	PSG050	(1/8" NPT)	
Sensor	PSG051	(DN 16 KF)	

Part Number 350-980 350-982 350-981



Separating the components

After disassembling the product, separate its components according to the following criteria:

Contaminated components

Contaminated components (radioactive, toxic, caustic or biological hazard etc.) must be decontaminated in accordance with the relevant national regulations, separated according to their materials, and disposed of.

Other components

Such components must be separated according to their materials and recycled.

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Declaration of Contamination

The service, repair, and/or disposal of vacuum equipment and components will only be carried out if a correctly completed declaration has been submitted. Non-completion will result in delay. This declaration may only be completed (in block letters) and signed by authorized and qualified staff.



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