Introduction

Your Veeder-Root brand C628 Rate Meter 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 C628 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 C628 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 C628 Rate Meter’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
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.
REAR TERMINAL CONNECTIONS

Count Inputs
Terminal #2 is the connection for Input A, which is programmable to be the primary rate channel. Terminal #1 is the secondary input to get the ratio of A/B. The common connection for both inputs 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 display hold function, while Terminal #6 is a security function, that when active, will prohibit entry into Program Mode. Terminal #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 #14.

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**

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**Key Functions**

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| Down        | *In Operation Mode:* Used in edit operation to decrement the digit highlighted by the Scroll key.  
              *In Program Mode:* Used in Edit Operation to decrement the digit **highlighted** by the Scroll key, if the setting is a numerical value, or present the next in the series of choices for that parameter. |
| Scroll      | *In All modes:* 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     | *In Operation Mode:* Used to move between the rate value display, process time display, & the alarms and to enter an edited alarm value. **Holding the key down for 3 seconds** will cause the unit to enter Program Mode.  
              *In Program Mode:* Used to move from one parameter to the next and enter the edited parameter values. **Holding the key down for 3 seconds** will cause the unit to return to Operation Mode. |
| Reset       | *In All modes:* No function.                                             |
| Down & Scroll together | *In All modes:* Will abort an Edit Operation and return the alarm/parameter to its previous value. |

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**Display Functions**

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| Primary | *In Operation Mode:* Default display is the rate value.  
              Can be scrolled using the program key to display the process time 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).  
              *In Program Mode:* 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| *In Operation Mode:* Indicates alphabetically which parameter is being viewed on the primary display.  
              *In Program Mode:* 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 Program 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

Process Time
Function: Displays present process time (an inverse speed calculation)
Range: 0 to 99999
(can indicate travel time through a conveyorized oven)

High Alarm Value
Function: Defines the rate value at or above which Alarm 1 will activate
Adjustment Range: 0 to 99999
Default Value: 1000

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

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.

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

Calibration Factor Decimal Point

Function: Sets the decimal point position for the calibration factor display

Adjustment Range: 0 to 0.0000

Default Value: 0.0

Calibration Factor

Function: Used to scale the input into engineering units by multiplying this value by the input frequency

Adjustment Range: 0.0001 to 9.9999

Default Value: 1.0000
**PROGRAM MODE Continued**

**Decimal Position**

*Function:* Set the decimal point position for the rate and preset displays

*Adjustment Range:* 0 to 0.0000

*Default Value:* 0

**Rate Mode**

*Function:* Defines how the input pulses will be applied to the rate value

*Adjustment Range:*

- **A:** Inputs on the A channel increment the total
- **A/B:** Divides the rate of the A channel by the rate of the B channel to display a ratio between the inputs
- **A Time:** Displays the frequency of Input A as an inverse speed which, for example, can indicate travel time through a conveyorized oven

*Default Value:* A

**Input Type**

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

*Adjustment Range:*

- **Sinking:** The unit will accept a NPN or dry contact input which sinks voltage to common
- **Source:** The unit will accept an PNP input which sources voltage
- **Magnetic:** The unit will accept a magnetic input from 0.5 to 30V peak

*Default Value:* Sinking

**Filter Speed**

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

*Adjustment Range:*

- **20:** The unit will accept up to 20 pulses per second. Generally used with contact inputs to eliminate false counts caused by contact bounce.
- **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

*Default Value:* 10000
**Display Update Time**

*Function:* Sets the amount of time between display updates

*Adjustment Range:*

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*Default Value:* 1

**Display to Zero Time**

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

*Adjustment Range:*

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*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

**Retransmission Enable/Select**

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

*Adjustment Range:*

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*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)*

*Function:* Defines the upper end of the linear scale for the retransmission output by defining the value equated to the maximum 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 board installed
- **Fitted:** A communication 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”

**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**
- **9600**

*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:*
- **Red:** The display will always be red
- **Green:** The display will always be green
- **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

*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
- **Disabled:** Preset values can be viewed and changed

*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
*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
- **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 Closure
- **Frequency:** 10 kHz max.
- **Logic:** Low, 2.0 VDC, High ≥ 3.0 VDC max.
- **Impedance:** 10 kΩ to common - Sourcing
- **Magnetic Input:** 0.6 to 30V peak

#### Control Inputs
- **Type:** Sinking, Edge Sensitive
- **Logic:** Low, 2.0 VDC, High ≥ 3.0
- **Impedance:** 4.7 kΩ to +Voltage
- **Response Time:** 25 ms
- **Function:**
  - Input 1: Display Hold
  - Input 2: Security Lockout

#### Outputs
- **Solid State:** NPN open collector, 30 VDC max, 100 mA max.
- **Relay:** SPDT, 5A resistive @ 110VAC
- **Latency:** 75 µs seconds, plus 8 ms for relay pull-in

#### Linear Outputs
- **Ranges:** 0-20mA, 4-20mA, 0-10V, 2-10V, 0-5V, 1-5V
- **Accuracy:** ±0.25% (mA at 25Ω, V at 2kΩ);
  - degrades linearly to ±0.5%
- **Resolution:** 8 bits in 250ms (10 bits in 1s typ.)
- **Update:** Approximately 4/s
- **Load Impedence:** mA Ranges: 500Ω max.; V Ranges: 5000Ω min.

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

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

#### Approvals
- **General:** CE
- **EMC Susceptibility:** Complies with EN50082-1: 1992,
  - EN50082-2: 1995
- **EMC Emissions:** Complies with EN50081-1: 1992,
  - EN50081-2: 1994
- **Safety:** Complies with EN61010-1: 1993

#### Environmental
- **Operating Temp.:** 0° to 55° Celsius, 32° to 131° Fahrenheit
- **Storage Temp.:** -20° to 80° Celsius, -4° to 176° Fahrenheit
- **Relative Humidity:** 20% to 95% non-condensing
WARRANTY

Standard products manufactured by the Company are warranted to be free from defects in workmanship and material for a period of one year from the date of shipment, and products which are defective in workmanship or material will be repaired or replaced, at the option of the Company, at no charge to the Buyer. Final determination as to whether a product is actually defective rests with the Company. The obligation of the Company hereunder shall be limited solely to repair and replacement of products that fall within the foregoing limitations, and shall be conditioned upon receipt by the Company of written notice of any alleged defects or deficiency promptly after discovery within the warranty period, and in the case of components or units purchased by the Company, the obligation of the Company shall not exceed the settlement that the Company is able to obtain from the supplier thereof. No products shall be returned to the Company without its prior consent. Products which the Company consents to have returned shall be shipped F.O.B. the Company’s factory. The Company cannot assume responsibility or accept invoices for unauthorized repairs to its components, even though defective. The life of the products of the Company depends, to a large extent, upon the type of usage thereof, and THE COMPANY MAKES NO WARRANTY AS TO FITNESS OF ITS PRODUCTS FOR SPECIFIC APPLICATIONS BY THE BUYER NOR AS TO PERIOD OF SERVICE UNLESS THE COMPANY SPECIFICALLY AGREES OTHERWISE IN WRITING AFTER THE PROPOSED USAGE HAS BEEN MADE KNOWN TO IT.

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