GETTING STARTED CHAPTER 1

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Manual Overview

Overview of this Publication

The SOLO Temperature Controller User Manual describes the installation, configuration, and methods of operation of the SOLO Temperature Controller.

Who Should Read This Manual

This manual contains important information for those who will install, maintain, and/or operate any of the SOLO Temperature Controllers.

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Supplemental Manuals

If you are familiar with industrial control type devices, you may be able to get up and running with just the aide of the Quick Start Guide that is included with each SOLO Temperature Controller.

Special Symbols



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When you see the "exclamation mark" icon in the left-hand margin, the paragraph to its immediate right will be a warning. This information could prevent injury, loss of property, or even death (in extreme cases).

SOLO Temperature Controller Introduction

General Description

The SOLO Temperature Controller is a single loop dual output temperature controller that can control both heating and cooling simultaneously. There are four types of control modes: PID, ON / OFF, Manual, and Ramp / Soak control. Depending upon the particular model of controller, the available outputs include relay, voltage pulse, current, and linear voltage. There are up to three alarm outputs available to allow seventeen alarm types in the initial setting mode. SOLO can accept various types of thermocouple, RTD, or analog inputs, and has a built in RS-485 interface using Modbus slave (ASCII or RTU) communication protocol.

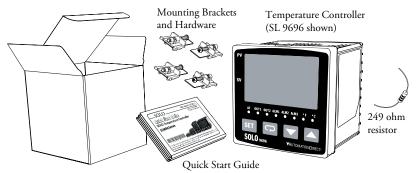
Other features include:

- 1/32, 1/16, 1/8 and 1/4 DIN panel sizes
- 2 line x 4 character 7-segment LED display for Process Value (PV): Red color, and Set Point (SV): Green color
- · Auto Tuning (AT) function with PID control
- Selectable between °C and °F for thermocouple or RTD inputs
- 0 to 50 °C (32 to 122 °F) operating temperature range
- UL, CUL and CE agency approvals

Unpacking

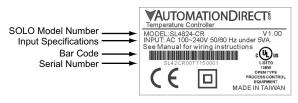
After receiving the SOLO Temperature Controller, please check for the following:

- Make sure that the package includes the Controller, the mounting brackets and hardware, a 249 ohm resistor and the Quick Start Guide.
- Inspect the unit to insure it was not damaged during shipment.
- Make sure that the part number indicated on the serial number label corresponds with the part number of your order.



Serial Number Label Information:

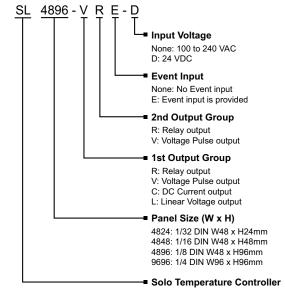
SI 4824 Series Serial Number Label



SL4848, SL4896, and SL9696 Series Serial Number Label



Model Number Explanation



SOLO Temperature Controller Specifications

| Specifications | | |
|---|---|--|
| Input Power Requirements | 100 to 240 VAC 50 / 60 Hz or 24 VDC | |
| Operation Voltage Range | 85 to 264 VAC or 21.6 to 26.4 VDC | |
| Power Consumption | 5 VA Max | |
| Memory Protection | EEPROM 4K bit, number of writes 100,000 | |
| Control Mode | PID, ON/OFF, Ramp / Soak control or Manual | |
| Input Accuracy | Less than \pm 0.2% full scale (except thermocouple R, S, & B types) Max \pm 3° (thermocouple R, S, & B types) | |
| Vibration Resistance | 10 to 55 Hz, 10 m/s2 for 10 min, each in X, Y and Z directions | |
| Shock Resistance | Max. 300 m/s2, 3 times in each 3 axes, 6 directions | |
| Ambient Temperature Range | 32°F to 122°F (0°C to 50°C) | |
| Storage Temperature Range | -4°F to 149°F (-20°C to 65°C) | |
| Altitude | 2000m or less | |
| Relative Humidity | 35% to 80% (non-condensing) | |
| RS-485 Communication | Modbus slave ASCII / RTU protocol | |
| Transmission Speed | 2400, 4800, 9600, 19.2K, 38.4K bps | |
| IP Rating | IP65: Complete protection against dust and low pressure spraying water from all directions. (inside suitable enclosure) | |
| Agency Approvals | UL, CUL, CE (UL file number E311366) | |
| Pollution Degree | Degree 2 - Normally, only non-conductive pollution occurs. Temporary conductivity caused by condensation is to be expected | |
| Input Types | | |
| Thermocouple* | K, J, T, E, N, R, S, B, L, U, TXK | |
| Platinum RTD | 3-wire Pt100, JPt100 | |
| • Analog | 0-50 mV, 0-5V, 0-10V, 0-20 mA, 4-20 mA (sinking) (Current input requires the installation of the supplied 249 Ω resistor) | |
| Input Sampling Rates | | |
| Thermocouple | 400 ms / per scan | |
| Platinum RTD | 400 ms / per scan | |
| Analog | 150 ms / per scan | |
| Control Output Options | | |
| • Relay (R) | SL4824: SPST max. resistive load 3A @ 250 VAC SL4848: SPST max. resistive load 5A @ 250 VAC SL4896, SL9696: SPDT max. resistive load 5A @ 250 VAC SL4824: SPST max. resistive load 3A @ 30 VDC SL4848: SPST max. resistive load 5A @ 30 VDC | |
| | SL4896, SL9696: SPDT max. resistive load 5A @ 30 VDC | |
| Voltage Pulse (V) | DC 14V Max, output current 40mA Max | |
| Current (C) | DC 4-20 mA output (sourcing) (Load resistance: Max 600 Ω) | |
| Linear Voltage (L) | DC 0-10V (Load resistance Min 1KΩ) | |
| *Note: Use only ungrounded thermocouples. | | |