High-pressure thermocouple
Model TC90

Applications

- Plastics-producing industry
- General high-pressure applications

Special features

- Versions to customer specification
- Various process connections
- Short response times
- Robust, vibration-resistant design
- Various thermocouple types and electrical connection types

Description

This high-pressure thermocouple is used for temperature measurement in industrial applications. The thermocouple is suitable for the highest process requirements and enables reliable temperature measurement, for example, in plastics production and processing.

Each TC90 is designed and manufactured in accordance with individual customer specifications. These instruments are manufactured using special manufacturing processes and, in order to ensure their quality, specific test arrangements and material tests are applied.

This measuring assembly is sealed by means of metal-to-metal sealing, high-pressure threaded connectors or sealing lenses, which have both proven successful over many years.
Specifications

Sealing cone materials
- CrNiMo steel 1.6580 (hardened to 30 ... 40 HRC)
- Stainless steel 1.4542

Process connection
- Conical nipple with male nut
- Conical nipple for slip-on flange
- Sealing cone/lens-type sealing ring

Thermocouples
- Types K, J, E
- Single, duplex or triplex thermocouple
- Measuring point ungrounded or grounded
- Sheath material, Inconel 600 (2.4816)

Manufacturing processes

The consistent quality and high pressure containment of the junction between the sheathed cable of the thermocouple and the high-pressure components is ensured through a special automated soldering process.

Tests and certificates

For a material acceptance test certificate, 3.1 or 3.2 certificates are available for metallic components in accordance with DIN EN 10204. Each model TC90 high-pressure thermocouple is subjected to 1.43 x PN or a hydrostatic pressure test to customer specification, with test pressures to a max. 6,000 bar. Furthermore, for example, liquid penetrant inspection of surfaces or X-ray testing of components are possible in accordance with national or international standards (performance, evaluation).

Sensors

Although the used thermocouple types (K, J, E) have a much higher measuring range, the maximum operating temperature for high-pressure measurements is limited through the process to 350 °C.

For all characteristic values of the thermocouples, see Technical information IN 00.23.
Dimensions in mm

Note:
Each high-pressure thermocouple is designed and manufactured in accordance with individual customer specifications. The specifications contained in the tables are not binding and only constitute examples.

The responsibility for the tolerance and durability of the materials with the medium lies with the operator.

**Model TC90-A, high-pressure thermocouple with male nut**

![Diagram of Model TC90-A](image)

Legend:
- \( E_1 \) Male nut thread \( \frac{1}{4}'' \times 16 \) UNF
- \( E_2 \) Pressure ring thread \( \frac{1}{2}'' \times 24 \) UNF LH
- \( d \) Thermocouple diameter
- \( U \) Insertion length
- \( \alpha \) Conical nipple angle

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**Model TC90-B, high-pressure thermocouple for slip-on flange**

![Diagram of Model TC90-B](image)

Legend:
- \( E_1 \) Slip-on flange thread
- \( d \) Thermocouple diameter
- \( U \) Insertion length
- \( SR \) Sealing dome

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Lens-type sealing ring/sealing cone to customer requirements or as customer-issued component

Required specifications for manufacturing to customer requirements:
- Inner diameter d₁
- Lens diameter d₂
- Outer diameter d₃
- Edge thickness S₁
- Thickness S
- Ball radius SR
- Nominal pressure
- Ambient and medium temperature (min/max)
- Loads (overpressure, fluctuating load, vibration, etc.) or other (safety-relevant) conditions (as far as they are known)
- Information about process medium (e.g. abrasive constituents, category in accordance with the PED, state, etc.)

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Assembly of the model TC90-C through the incorporation of a thermocouple in customer-issued components:

The responsibility for the design and, if necessary, the calculation of the stability in accordance with the 97/23/EC pressure equipment directive lies with the operator. The operator thus remains the manufacturer in accordance with 97/23/EC.

Specify the material strength values or calculation details for the processing of the customer-issued components.

The scope of delivery for the TC90-C includes the following information on the calculations and tests carried out:
- Calculation of the pressure containment of the soldered joint
- X-ray testing of the thermocouple (optional)
- Test report on pressure test (hydrostatic)
- Test report on heat treatment (if carried out)

Should additional tests or certificates be required, the operator must notify WIKA of this prior to placing the order.
Connection components

The construction of the connection components for the model TC90 high-pressure thermocouples will be designed in accordance with the customer-specific specification. In general, two variants are used:

- Neck tube with ready-made connection cable
- Neck tube with connection head

Example for neck tube with cable outlet

Example for neck tube with connection head
CE conformity

ATEX directive (option)
94/9/EG, II 2 G Ex ia IIC

Approvals (option)

- IECEx, international certification for the Ex area
- NEPSI, ignition protection type "i" - intrinsic safety,
  ignition protection type "ID" - dust protection through
  intrinsic safety, ignition protection type "n", China
- EAC, import certificate, customs union Russia/Belarus/
  Kazakhstan
- GOST, metrology/measurement technology, Russia
- KOSHA, ignition protection type "i" - intrinsic safety,
  ignition protection type "ID" - dust protection through
  intrinsic safety, South Korea
- PESO (CCOE), ignition protection type "i" - intrinsic safety,
  ignition protection type "ID" - dust protection through
  intrinsic safety, India

Certificates (option)

- 2.2 test report
- 3.1 inspection certificate
- DKD/DAkkS calibration certificate

Approvals and certificates, see website