

INSTALLING AND OPERATING THE KELCO C15 SERIES FLOW SWITCH



WARNING



Please read these installation and operating instructions fully and carefully before installing or servicing this Flow Switch. The C15 series flow switch is a mains voltage device. Death or serious injury may result if this switch is not correctly installed and operated. All electrical work on this switch must be performed by a fully qualified and licensed Electrician.

INSTALLATION

The C15 inline flow switch can be installed in any location in vertical or horizontal pipes. In vertical pipes flow can be either upward or downward through the switch. Where possible, install a union on the inlet and outlet of the flow switch to allow easy removal for cleaning and servicing. Ensure the flow switch is oriented correctly to direction of flow. The male threaded end of the switch is the inlet. When installing, make sure no thread tape or other foreign matter from the installation becomes entrained in the switch. Also ensure no foreign matter can enter the flow switch from tanks or pipework. Where scale or other material may be present always install a Y-strainer in the inlet pipe directly before the switch. The electrical module that saddles the flow switch body can be removed if required to allow the body of the switch to be screwed into tight locations, for example into the discharge port of a pump. To remove the electrical module undo the 4 self-tapping screws that secure the two halves of the module together.

CHECK VALVES

Many applications will benefit from a non-return valve in the pipework directly before the C15 inline flow switch. The flow switch is not designed to operate as a one-way valve and rapid or high pressure flow reversal, such as water hammer can damage the piston in the flow switch. A simple non-return valve adjacent to the flow switch will reduce the possibility of damage to the flow switch due to flow reversal.

FLOW SENSITIVITY AND PISTON INSTALLATION

Switching point and sensitivity to flow depends on the orientation of the switch, liquid velocity, viscosity and piston clearance. To give users as wide a choice as possible, a non-magnetic piston retainer is supplied with the C15 flow switch. With the switch mounted vertically and with flow passing upward through the switch, the non-magnetic piston retainer reduces the switch on flow rate by a factor of 2. That is, it makes the switch approximately twice as sensitive to flow.

Standard switch (as supplied) installed horizontally or vertically, with the magnetic piston retainer fitted.

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| Switching point on a slowly increasing flow | Switching point on a slowly decreasing flow |
| 0.35 Litres per Minute | 0.30 Litres per Minute |

Switch installed vertically with flow passing upwards through the switch body, and with the non-magnetic piston retainer fitted.

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| Switching point on a slowly increasing flow | Switching point on a slowly decreasing flow |
| 0.15 Litres per Minute | 0.10 Litres per Minute |

Note : Maximum recommended flow rate through the C15 flow switch is 30 Litres per Minute

Note: The data shown in the table above refers to water at ambient temperature as the test medium. Increasing fluid viscosity will decrease the switch on points. Decreasing the fluid viscosity will proportionally increase the switch on points.

ENVIRONMENTAL LIMITATIONS

This flow switch is suitable for use with hot or cold liquids up to 90°C. Systems can be steam sterilized at 100°C for short periods without damaging the switch. Note that the continuous switched power of the C15-R model must be linearly reduced at elevated temperatures. See the notes on electrical data below.

REFITTING ELECTRICAL MODULES

The electrical module of the C15 inline flow switch can be oriented to suit the application. It can be mounted in either direction on the switch body and can be rotated around the switch body to any required position. All modules are normally off switches that turn on in response to flow. Reversing the orientation of the electrical module does not reverse the action of the switch. To refit a module to the switch body, fit and tighten the 4 stainless self-tapping screws. Do not place any material such as grease, glue or packing material between the electrical module and the switch body, to do so may alter the heat flow characteristics of the switch and possibly lead to overheating or premature failure.



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All electrical work associated with the C15 inline flow switch must be carried out by qualified electrical personnel and all electrical work must conform to AS/NZ (or equivalent) standards and to local wiring rules.



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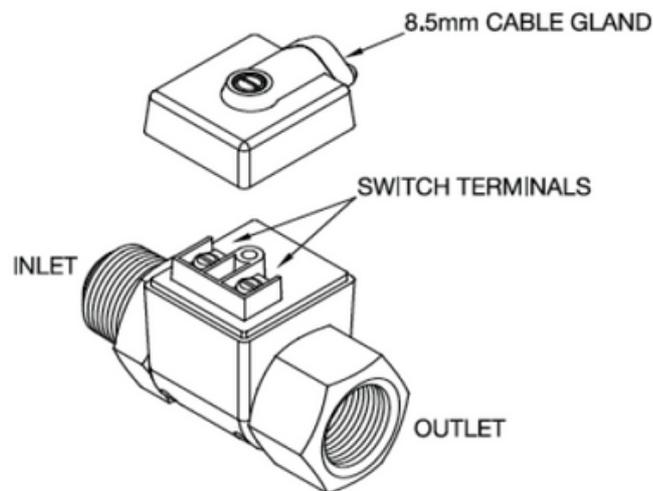
After installing or servicing this flow switch always replace its lid and fully tighten its lid screw. Also ensure the cable gland is fully tightened. Never leave the lid off the switch for extended periods. Without its lid in place this flow switch is not water resistant and presents a potential shock hazard. Take great care not to splash water onto the inside of the flow switch's electrical housing when the lid is not in place. Without its lid the flow switch is not weather or insect proof and presents a potential shock hazard that may result in death or serious injury.

ELECTRICAL DATA

The C15 flow switch is available with one of two switching modules. There is an identification number inside the lid of each module that indicates the type. The modules are numbered "B" or "R". The electrical specifications of both models are detailed in the following table.

| Model Code | Description |
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| C15-B | Dry Reed Switch S.P.S.T N.O 40 Watt 240VAC / 200VDC 1Amp Max. Suitable for PLC, telemetry and logic circuits. |
| C15-B-D | Diesel-suited Dry Reed Switch S.P.S.T. N.O 40 Watt. 240VAC / 200VDC. 1Amp Max. Suitable for PLC, telemetry and logic circuits. |
| C15-R | Solid State relay S.P.S.T. N.O 3kW 5-250VAC 10mA Min. 40Amps Max. Suitable for inductive loads. |

Note: The switched power of the C15-R inline flow switch module given above refers to a switch operating in a water pipe system at ambient temperature. In hot water applications the switched power must be proportionally reduced to avoid overheating the Triac. At the top operating temperature of 90°C the switched power must not exceed 375 Watts. The C15-B flow switch modules do not require de-rating at elevated temperatures.



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This Warranty and Limitation of Liability (or any more recent version in effect when you purchase a *Kelco Product*) ("*Warranty*") applies to all *Kelco Products* regardless of where you purchased the *Kelco Products*.

When you place an order, you are deemed to agree to the *Warranty*, unless otherwise agreed in writing with Kelco.

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1. Definition

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- (1) *Australian Consumer Law or ACL*: Schedule 2 to the Competition and Consumer Act 2010 (Cth).
- (2) *Brochures and Technical data sheets*: Kelco brochures, including, without limitation, sales brochures and technical data sheets, whether or not provided electronically.
- (3) *Customer Application*: Any application of *Kelco Products* or component parts by a you including, but not limited to, embedding and/or using *Kelco Products* in your parts/components, electronic substrates, devices, equipment and /or systems manufactured by customers.
- (4) *Non- Excludable Guarantee*: a Consumer Guarantee applicable to these *Warranty Terms* under the *Australian Consumer Law or New Zealand Consumer Guarantee Act 1993*.
- (5) *Fitness*: (a) fitness for a particular purpose, (b) performance, (c) compliance with laws and regulations and (d) conformity to standards of a *Kelco Product*.
- (6) *Kelco Products*: flow switches, level switches and float switches, related products and electronic/mechanical components under the *Kelco* brand.
- (7) 'You' or "Customer" means the purchaser of the *Kelco Products* not having purchased the *Kelco Products* for re-sale, and 'your' has a corresponding meaning.
- (8) *Usage Conditions*: Usage conditions, rating, performance, operating environment, handling instructions, warnings, restrictions on use, etc. of *Kelco Products* described in the *Brochures and technical data sheets*.

2. Descriptions

You are deemed to accept the following terms and conditions regarding the descriptions provided of *Kelco Products* in the *Brochures and technical data sheets* when you adopt or use a *Kelco Product* or component thereof.

- (1) Rated values and performance values are based on average performance established from batch production runs and Kelco does NOT warrant any rated values and performance values for multiple composite conditions.
- (2) Reference data is provided for your reference only. Kelco does NOT warrant that *Kelco Products* work properly at all times or continuously as provided in the reference data.
- (3) Application examples (if any) are provided for your reference only. Kelco does NOT warrant the *Fitness of Kelco Products* under such applications.
- (4) Kelco may discontinue the production of *Kelco Products* or change their specifications for the purpose of improving such products or for other reasons entirely at its own discretion and is under no obligation to notify you of any such change.

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You are deemed to accept the following terms and conditions when you purchase *Kelco Products*:

- (1) You will use *Kelco Products* in compliance with *Usage Conditions* including rating and performance.
- (2) You will confirm *Fitness* and use your own judgment to determine the appropriateness of using of *Kelco Products* in a *Customer Application*. *Kelco products* are unlike conventional flow and level switches and pump controllers in that they can be applied to virtually any fluid or pumping system in any manner defined by an original equipment manufacturer, a wholesaler or end user or their agents. The knowledge and experience of such parties is outside the control of Kelco, and their having relevant knowledge and experience is critical to the successful application and operation of the *Kelco Products*. Kelco does NOT warrant the *Fitness of Kelco Products* in a *Customer Application*.
- (3) You will confirm that *Kelco Products* are properly wired and installed for their intended use in your overall system. In the case of *Kelco* pump controllers, the flexibility of their operating system means it requires an extensive knowledge of pumps and their characteristics and the intended overall goal of the system in order to select the correct functions and settings. Failure to understand the ramifications of incorrect settings may result in a system that fails to perform to your expectations and or may even damage the pump or system itself. It is therefore critical that correct settings are used to achieve a stable and reliable overall system and to provide any such system with appropriate pressure and or flow protection the pump controller is intended to provide. Kelco does NOT warrant *Kelco Products* against defective installation, incorrect programming, incorrect wiring or electrical overload in any form.
- (4) When using *Kelco Products*, you will make sure to (i) maintain a margin of safety in relation to the published rated and performance values, (ii) design to minimize risks to any *Customer Application* in case of failure of any *Kelco Products*, such as introducing redundancy i.e. critical systems should include double redundancy of all controls, (iii) adopt system-wide safety measures to notify risks to users such as independent backup protection. Such backup may consist of a simple or complex independent alarm system to alert an operator to any issue with the system, and (iv) conduct regular maintenance on *Kelco Products* and the *Customer Application*.
- (5) It will be your sole responsibility as user to determine and use adequate measures and checkpoints to satisfy your particular requirements for (i) data input and output, (ii) maintaining a means for reconstruction of lost data, (iv) preventing *Kelco Products* installed thereon from being infected with computer viruses and (v) protecting *Kelco Products* from unauthorized access. Kelco shall not be responsible and/or liable for any loss, damage, or expenses directly or indirectly resulting from any third-party software or hardware not contained in the product as originally configured by the manufacturer, the infection of *Kelco products*, or any computer equipment, computer programs, networks, databases or other proprietary material connected thereto, by service attack, computer viruses, other technologically harmful material and/or unauthorized access.
- (6) *Kelco Products* are designed and manufactured as general-purpose products for use in general industrial products. They are not intended to be used in the applications described in subsection 3...(5)(a), (b), and (c). If you are using *Kelco Products* in the applications described below, Kelco does not provide any warranty for such *Kelco Products*, except for specific applications where Kelco has specified that it intends to provide a warranty or by separate written agreement between the customer and Kelco.

- a. Applications with stringent safety requirements and applications that could cause physical injury to a person or result in loss of life.
- b. Applications under severe conditions or in severe environment, including but not limited to outdoor equipment, equipment exposed to chemical contamination, equipment exposed to electromagnetic interference and equipment exposed to vibration and shocks.

- c. Applications under conditions or environments not described in any of the Brochures and Technical data sheets.
- d. *Kelco Products* are not intended for use in Hydrocarbons other than Dieseline.

4. Warranty

Kelco warrants that *Kelco Products* will perform in accordance with the specifications set out in the Technical data sheets, subject to and in accordance with the following:

(1) **Warranty period:** The *Warranty* shall apply for 12 months from the date of original purchase of *Kelco Products* by the customer. .

(2) **Sole Remedy:** Unless required to do otherwise as a result of statutory guarantees applicable under *ACL*, *Kelco* will provide, at its own discretion, either of the following two services as the sole remedy for a malfunctioning *Kelco Product*:

Repair of the malfunctioning *Kelco Product(s)* or components by *Kelco* or *Kelco* authorised dealer at no charge to the customer, or

- a. Replacement of the malfunctioning *Kelco Product(s)* or components by *Kelco* or *Kelco* authorised dealer with the same number of replacement/alternative products or components at no charge to the customer.

(3) **Exceptions:** This *Warranty* of *Kelco Products* does not apply if the cause of the malfunction falls under any of the following:

Usage in a manner other than the original intended use for the *Kelco Products* or component thereof.

- a. Usage other than as described in the *Usage Conditions*.
- b. Usage that is not in accordance with Section 2 (Descriptions) and Section 3 (Precautions) above.
- c. Modification or repair made to the *Kelco Products* by persons other than *Kelco*.
- d. Causes which could not have been foreseen with the level of science and technology at the time of shipping from *Kelco*.
- e. Replacement or repair of any (1) consumables (including cables, paddles and circuit boards), or (2) lost parts or accessories.
- f. Service of any product whilst it is outside Australia.
- g. Causes originating from other than *Kelco* or *Kelco Products* (including force majeure such as but not limited to natural disasters)
- h. Causes from any environmental factors. Such factors may include but are not limited to water or chemical ingress, fire damage, lightning damage, mechanical damage, sun damage or degradation, failure due to over-heating, freezing or vibration. Failure due to customers over tightening threads or fittings. Failure due to power supply fluctuations, surges, spikes, brown outs. or AC supplies that do not provide a pure sine wave output.
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(4) If you intend to make a claim under this *Warranty* you must contact *Kelco* to register your claim by telephone on (02)99056425 and provide the following details to enable *Kelco* to assess the claim: (i) proof of purchase; (ii) evidence of the particulars of the claim that gives rise to the application of the *Warranty* ; (iii) confirmation that the cause of the malfunction was not an Exception set out above; and (iv) your phone number, email and address details.

You must provide or make the *Kelco product* available to *Kelco* for evaluation. If you are required to return the product to *Kelco* for repair replacement or evaluation, *Kelco* will provide delivery details and a return goods authorisation number to you. The *Kelco Products* will be at the owner's risk whilst in transit to and from *Kelco*, unless transported by *Kelco* or its authorised representatives.

The *Kelco Product* presented for repair may be replaced by refurbished products of the same type rather than being repaired. Refurbished parts may be used to repair the product.

To the extent permitted by law replacement of the product or a part does not extend or restart the *Warranty Term*.

Kelco may seek reimbursement of any costs incurred by them when the *Kelco* product is found to be in good working order.

5. Non-excludable Statutory Guarantees

(1) The *Warranty* is given by *Kelco* in addition to other rights and remedies which you may be entitled to under by law, nothing contained in this agreement excludes, restricts or modifies any condition, guarantee, warranty or other obligation which is applicable to or is conferred on *Kelco* pursuant to law where to exclude, restrict or modify any such condition, warranty or other obligation is unlawful. (2) Australia: To the extent that you are a consumer for the purposes of the *ACL*, *Kelco Products* come with guarantees that cannot be excluded under the *ACL*. You are entitled to a replacement or refund for a major failure and compensation for any other reasonably foreseeable loss or damage. You are also entitled to have the goods repaired or replaced if the goods fail to be of acceptable quality and the failure does not amount to a major failure. "Acceptable Quality" and "major failure" have the meaning they have in the *ACL*. (3) New Zealand: For *Kelco Products* provided by *Kelco* in New Zealand, the *Kelco Products* come with a guarantee by *Kelco* pursuant to the provisions of the Consumer Guarantees Act, section 345(1)(i) of the Contract and Commercial Law Act 2017 and the Fair Trading Act. Where the *Kelco Product* was purchased in New Zealand for commercial purposes the Consumer Guarantee Act does not apply.

6. Disclaimer and Limitation of Liability

TO THE EXTENT PERMITTED BY APPLICABLE LAW:

(1) SELLER MAKES NO WARRANTY, EXPRESS OR IMPLIED, OTHER THAN AS STATED IN SECTION 4 ABOVE AND SELLER DISCLAIMS AND EXCLUDES ANY WARRANTY OF ANY OTHER KIND. (2) THE SOLE AND EXCLUSIVE REMEDY FOR MALFUNCTIONING KELCO PRODUCTS SHALL BE AS SET FORTH IN SECTION 4. ABOVE. (3) *KELCO* AND THE DISTRIBUTORS OF *KELCO PRODUCTS* ARE NOT LIABLE FOR ANY DAMAGES WHICH MAY ARISE FROM OR BE RELATED TO *KELCO PRODUCTS*.

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