Safety and approval information

This Micro Motion product complies with all applicable European directives when properly installed in accordance with the instructions in this manual. Refer to the EC declaration of conformity for directives that apply to this product. The EC declaration of conformity, with all applicable European directives, and the complete ATEX Installation Drawings and Instructions are available on the internet at www.micromotion.com or through your local Micro Motion support center.

Information affixed to equipment that complies with the Pressure Equipment Directive can be found on the internet at www.micromotion.com/documentation.

For hazardous installations in Europe, refer to standard EN 60079-14 if national standards do not apply.

Other information

Full product specifications can be found in the product data sheet. Troubleshooting information can be found in the transmitter configuration manual. Product data sheets and manuals are available from the Micro Motion web site at www.micromotion.com/documentation.

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1 Before you begin

This manual provides installation information for Micro Motion® MVD™ Direct Connect meters. MVD Direct Connect meters may or may not include the MVD Direct Connect I.S. barrier. Both installation types are discussed here. Additionally, this manual provides basic information for establishing communication between the MVD Direct Connect meter and the remote host system.

1.1 Safety

For information on I.S. applications, refer to Micro Motion ATEX, UL, or CSA installation instructions.

⚠️ WARNING!
Improper installation in a hazardous area can cause an explosion. For information about hazardous applications, refer to the appropriate Micro Motion approval documentation, shipped with the meter or available from the Micro Motion web site.

⚠️ CAUTION!
Excess voltage can damage the core processor. To avoid damaging the core processor, use only low-voltage DC power.
Before you begin
2 Product overview and architecture

MVD Direct Connect meters are used to supply Micro Motion sensor data directly to a remote Modbus-capable host, rather than to a Micro Motion transmitter. Because there is no transmitter component, MVD Direct Connect systems are not intrinsically safe unless the MVD Direct Connect I.S. barrier is included in the installation.

⚠️ WARNING!
MVD Direct Connect systems without the MVD Direct Connect I.S. barrier are not intrinsically safe.

2.1 Installation options

All MVD Direct Connect systems include a sensor and a core processor. Either the standard core processor or the enhanced core processor may be installed. The core processor (standard or enhanced) can be mounted integrally with the sensor or remotely.

If the MVD Direct Connect I.S. barrier is installed, a separate barrier is required for each core processor.

See Figure 2-1 and Figure 2-2 for illustrations of MVD Direct Connect installations without the MVD Direct Connect I.S. barrier. See Figure 2-3 and Figure 2-4 for illustrations of MVD Direct Connect installations with the MVD Direct Connect I.S. barrier.

Figure 2-1 MVD Direct Connect installations – Integral core processor, no I.S. barrier

![Diagram of MVD Direct Connect installation without I.S. barrier]
Product overview and architecture

Figure 2-2 MVD Direct Connect installations – Remote core processor, no I.S. barrier

Figure 2-3 MVD Direct Connect installations – Integral core processor, I.S. barrier
Figure 2-4 MVD Direct Connect installations – Remote core processor, I.S. barrier
2.2 **Multidrop installation**

Up to fifteen MVD Direct Connect installations can be networked to a single remote host. If I.S. barriers are used, one barrier is required for each core processor. *Figure 2-5* shows the four options for a multidrop installation.

*Figure 2-5 Multidrop installation options*
3 Installation

3.1 Supplying power

Power supply requirements depend on your installation type:

- MVD Direct Connect without the MVD Direct Connect I.S. barrier (see Figure 2-1 and Figure 2-2)
- MVD Direct Connect with the MVD Direct Connect I.S. barrier (see Figure 2-3 and Figure 2-4)

3.1.1 MVD Direct Connect installations without the MVD Direct Connect I.S. barrier

In MVD Direct Connect installations without the I.S. barrier, power is supplied directly to the core processor. The core processor supplies power to the sensor. The power supply must meet the following requirements:

- Power must be supplied from a common floating regulated power supply with the correct voltage.
- The voltage requirement for a single core processor is 15–26 VDC. The maximum power consumption of a single core processor is approximately 3 W.
- The power supply may be used to power any number of core processors, but must not be used to power other devices.
- Use shielded wiring.
- The power supply must not allow power surges or conducted radio frequency interference (RFI) to propagate through to its output.
- The power supply must not be grounded.

⚠️ CAUTION!

Grounding the power supply to the core processor can cause damage to the core processor or the remote host. To avoid damaging the core processor or the remote host, ensure that the power supply to the core processor is not grounded.

- In EU countries, the power supply must meet the requirements of the EMC directive.
- The power supply cable must comply with the size and length requirements listed in Table 3-2. A minimum DC input of 15 V is required for each core processor. At startup, the power source must provide a minimum of 0.2 A of short-term current per core processor. The maximum steady state current is 0.15 A. For assistance in sizing the power supply cable, refer to Table 3-1 and use the equation below:

\[
\text{Minimum Supply Voltage} = 15V + (\text{Cable Resistance} \times \text{Cable Length} \times 0.15A)
\]
Example
The core processor is mounted 350 feet from a DC power supply. If you want to use 18 AWG cable, calculate the required voltage at the DC power supply as follows:

\[
\text{Minimum Supply Voltage} = 15V + (\text{Cable Resistance} \times \text{Cable Length} \times 0.15\text{A})
\]

\[
\text{Minimum Supply Voltage} = 15V + (0.0128\ \Omega/\text{ft} \times 350\ \text{ft} \times 0.15\text{A})
\]

\[
\text{Minimum Supply Voltage} = 15.7V
\]

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Note
These values include the resistance of both high and low conductors in a cable.

3.1.2 MVD Direct Connect installations with the MVD Direct Connect I.S. barrier

In MVD Direct Connect installations with the I.S. barrier, power is supplied to the barrier. The barrier supplies power to the core processor, and the core processor supplies power to the sensor. The power supply must meet the following requirements:

- The power supply can be either floating or grounded.
- The voltage requirement for a single barrier is 24 VDC ±20%. The maximum power consumption of a single barrier plus core processor is approximately 3.5 W.
- The power supply cable must comply with the size and length requirements listed in Table 3-3. A minimum DC input of 19.2 V is required at the barrier terminals. At startup, the power source must provide a minimum of 0.2 A of short-term current per core processor. The maximum steady state current is 0.15 A. For assistance in sizing the power supply cable, refer to Table 3-1 and use the equation below:

\[
\text{Minimum Supply Voltage} = 19.2V + (\text{Cable Resistance} \times \text{Cable Length} \times 0.15\text{A})
\]
3.2 Locating the components

See the sensor installation manual for information on locating the sensor or the sensor/core processor assembly. If the core processor is installed remotely from the sensor, see the sensor installation manual for information on the maximum distance between these two components.

Maximum distance between the core processor, the power supply, the remote host, and the I.S. barrier (if your installation includes the barrier) depends on the wire size and type. Ensure that your installation complies with these requirements.

- Table 3-2 lists the wire size and length requirements for MVD Direct Connect installations without the I.S. barrier.
- Table 3-3 lists the wire size and length requirements for MVD Direct Connect installations with the I.S. barrier.

Table 3-2 Wire sizes and lengths – MVD Direct Connect installations without I.S. barrier

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<td>500 feet (150 meters)</td>
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<td>Core processor to power supply</td>
<td>Power</td>
<td>22 AWG (0.35 mm²)</td>
<td>300 feet (90 meters)</td>
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<td>20 AWG (0.5 mm²)</td>
<td>500 feet (150 meters)</td>
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<td></td>
<td>18 AWG (0.8 mm²)</td>
<td>500 feet (150 meters)</td>
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Note
Power wires must be sized to provide a minimum of 15 V at the core processor. See the discussion in the preceding section.
### 3.3 Installing the core processor

#### Note
This step is required only if the core processor is mounted separately from the sensor. Refer to Figure 2-2 and Figure 2-4.

See Figure 3-1 for a diagram of the mounting bracket supplied with the core processor. Both pipe mounting and wall mounting are shown.

**Figure 3-1 Remote core processor – Wall mount or pipe mount**

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**Notes**
- Core processor to barrier wire must be sized to provide a minimum of 15 V at the core processor. See the discussion in the preceding section.
- Barrier to power supply wiring must be sized to provide a minimum of 19.2 V at the barrier. See the discussion in the preceding section.

**Table 3-3 Wire sizes and lengths – MVD Direct Connect installations with I.S. barrier**
To mount the core processor:
1. Identify the components shown in Figure 3-2. For dimensions, see Figure 3-3.
2. If desired, reorient the core processor housing on the bracket.
   a. Loosen each of the four cap screws (4 mm).
   b. Rotate the bracket so that the core processor is oriented as desired.
   c. Tighten the cap screws, torquing to 30 to 38 in-lbs (3 to 4 N-m).
3. Attach the mounting bracket to an instrument pole or wall. For pipe mount, two user-supplied U-bolts are required. Contact Micro Motion to obtain a pipe-mount installation kit if required.

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**Figure 3-2 Remote core processor components**

![Diagram of remote core processor components](image)
Figure 3-3 Dimensions – Remote core processor

Dimensions in inches (mm)
Figure 3-4 Dimensions – Remote enhanced core processor

Dimensions in inches (mm)

- **Ø4 3/8 (111)**
- **2 1/2 (64)**
- **3 1/2 (89)**
- **1/2”-14 NPT or M20 X 1.5**
- **5 1/2 (140)**
- **To centerline of 2” pipe**
- **Pipe mount**
- **4 9/16 (116)**
- **Wall mount**
- **5 11/16 (144)**
- **2X3 (76)**
- **5 7/16 (67)**
- **2 13/16 (67)**
- **2 5/16 (58)**
- **3 7/8 (99)**
- **Ø3/8 (10)**
- **6 3/16 (158)**
- **4 1/2 (114)**
- **4X Ø3/8 (10)**
- **2 1/2 (64)**
- **3 7/8 (99)**
- **2X3 (76)**
- **5 11/16 (144)**
- **2 5/16 (58)**
- **3 7/8 (99)**
- **4X Ø3/8 (10)**
- **2 13/16 (71)**
- **5 7/16 (67)**
- **2 13/16 (71)**
- **4 1/2 (114)**
- **6 3/16 (158)**
- **4X Ø3/8 (10)**
- **2 13/16 (71)**
- **5 7/16 (67)**
- **2 13/16 (71)**
- **4 1/2 (114)**
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3.4 Wiring the core processor to the sensor

Note
This step is required only if the core processor is mounted separately from the sensor. Refer to Figure 2-2 and Figure 2-4.

Wire the core processor to the sensor using a Micro Motion 9-wire cable. See the sensor installation manual for instructions.

3.5 4-wire cable preparation and core processor wiring

Note
This step is required for all MVD Direct Connect installations

1. Ensure that the cables meet the following requirements:
   - Twisted-pair construction
   - The size and length requirements described in the preceding sections
2. Use one of the following methods to shield the wiring from the core processor:
   - If you are installing unshielded cable, the cable must be installed in continuous metallic conduit that provides 360° termination shielding for the enclosed wiring. Go to Step 7.
   - If you are installing shielded or armored cable with a user-supplied cable gland, terminate the shield or braid and drain wires in the cable gland. Never connect the drain wires to the internal ground screw of the core processor. Go to Step 7.
   - If you are installing shielded or armored cable with a Micro Motion-supplied cable gland:
     • With shielded cable (where the shield consists of foil), prepare the cable and apply shielded heat shrink as described in Steps 3 through 6. The shielded heat shrink provides a shield termination suitable for use in the gland.
     • With armored cable (where the shield consists of braid), prepare the cable as described as described in Steps 3 through 6. Do not apply heat shrink (omit Steps 5d through 5g).
3. Remove the cover from the core processor.
4. Slide the gland nut and the clamping insert over the cable.
5. For connection at the core processor housing, prepare cable as follows (for armored cable, omit Steps 5d through 5g):
   a. Strip 4 1/2 inches (114 mm) of cable jacket.
   b. Remove the clear wrap that is inside the cable jacket, and remove the filler material between the wires.
   c. Remove the foil shield that is around the insulated wires, leaving 3/4 inch (19 mm) of foil or braid and drain wires exposed, and separate the wires.
   d. Wrap the shield drain wire(s) around the exposed foil twice. Cut off the excess wire.
   e. Place the shielded heat shrink over the exposed shield drain wire(s). The tubing should completely cover the drain wires.
   f. Without burning the cable, apply heat (250 °F or 120 °C) to shrink the tubing.
g. Position gland clamping insert so the interior end is flush with the heat shrink.

h. Fold the cloth shield or braid and drain wires over the clamping insert and approximately 1/8 inch (3 mm) past the O-ring.

i. Install the gland body into the core processor housing conduit opening.

6. Insert the wires through the gland body and assemble the gland by tightening the gland nut.

7. Connect signal wires to the RS-485 terminals on the core processor (see Figure 3-10). If you are using Micro Motion 4-wire cable, use the green and white wires.
8. Connect power supply wires to the VDC terminals on the core processor (see Figure 3-10). If you are using Micro Motion 4-wire cable, use the red and black wires.

9. Reattach the core processor cover.

⚠️ **CAUTION!**
If the core processor is mounted integrally with the sensor, twisting the core processor will damage the sensor. To avoid damaging the sensor, do not twist the core processor.

⚠️ **CAUTION!**
Damaging the RS-485 wires can cause measurement error or meter failure. Damaging the power supply wires can cause meter failure. When replacing the core processor cover, make sure that the wires are not caught or pinched.
3.6 Installing the MVD Direct Connect I.S. barrier

**Note**
This step is required only for installations that include the MVD Direct Connect I.S. barrier. Refer to Figure 2-3 and Figure 2-4.

The barrier is designed to snap onto a 35 mm DIN rail. Dimensions are shown in Figure 3-11. To remove the barrier from the rail, lift the bottom lock.

**Figure 3-11 Barrier dimensions**

Dimensions in inches (mm)

- 4.095 (104)
- 0.925 (23.5)
- 4.291 (109)
- 1.39 (35)

for mounting on 35 mm DIN rail
3.7 Wiring at the MVD Direct Connect I.S. barrier

**Note**
This step applies only to installations that include the MVD Direct Connect I.S. barrier. Refer to Figure 2-3 and Figure 2-4.

1. Connect the core processor to the barrier:
   a. Connect the RS-485 wires from the core processor to the I.S. RS-485 terminals at the barrier (terminals 43 and 44), matching A and B. See Table 3-4 and Figure 3-12. If you are using Micro Motion 4-wire cable, you can identify the wires by color.
   b. Connect the power supply wires from the core processor to the I.S. VDC terminals at the barrier (terminals 42 and 41), matching positive and negative (+ and –). See Table 3-4 and Figure 3-12. Do not terminate the shields at the barrier.

2. Connect RS-485 wires to the non-I.S. RS-485 terminals at the barrier (terminals 13 and 14). See Figure 3-12. These wires will be used in the next step to connect the barrier to the remote host. Do not terminate the shields at the barrier.

3. Connect power supply wires to the non-I.S. VDC terminals at the barrier (terminals 11 and 12). See Figure 3-12. These wires will be used in the next step to connect the barrier to the power supply.

**Table 3-4 Core processor terminals and barrier I.S. terminals**

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<td>Green</td>
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<td>44</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>VDC +</td>
<td>Red</td>
<td>1</td>
<td>42</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>VDC –</td>
<td>Black</td>
<td>2</td>
<td>41</td>
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**Figure 3-12 Barrier terminals**

I.S. terminals
for connection to core processor

Non-I.S. terminals
for connection to remote host and power supply
3.8 Wiring to the remote host

**Note**
This step is required for all MVD Direct Connect installations.

1. At the remote host, open the wiring compartment and identify the RS-485 terminals. Refer to the vendor documentation if required.
2. If you are connecting the RS-485 wires directly from the core processor (see Figures 2-1 and 2-2):
   a. Connect the RS-485 wires from the core processor (see Figure 3-10) to the RS-485 terminals at the remote host.
   b. Do not terminate the shield, braid, or drain wire(s) at the remote host.
   c. Do not terminate the RS-485 lines using the standard 60-ohm termination resistor. If possible, do not terminate the RS-485 lines at all. If the RS-485 cable is 1000 feet (300 meters) long or longer, and termination is required, the total termination must be 175 ohm or above.
3. If you are connecting the RS-485 wires from the I.S. barrier (see Figures 2-3 and 2-4):
   a. Connect the RS-485 wires from the barrier (see Figure 3-12) to the RS-485 terminals at the remote host.
   b. Terminate the shields at the remote host.
   c. The barrier contains internal pull-up/pull-down and termination resistors. Do not add external resistors.
4. Close the wiring compartment.

3.9 Wiring to the power supply

**Note**
This step is required for all MVD Direct Connect installations.

1. You may connect multiple MVD Direct Connect installations to a single power supply, as long as each installation receives sufficient power.
2. If you are connecting the power supply wires directly from the core processor (see Figures 2-1 and 2-2):
   a. Do not connect any other equipment to the power supply used for MVD Direct Connect installations.
   b. Connect the power supply wires from the core processor (see Figure 3-10), matching positive and negative (+ and –).
   If you are connecting the power supply wires from the I.S. barrier (see Figure 2-3 and Figure 2-4):
   a. The power supply may be used to power other equipment.
   b. Connect the power supply wires from the barrier (see Figure 3-12), matching positive and negative (+ and –).
3.10 **Grounding**

**Note**  
This step is required for all MVD Direct Connect installations.

⚠️ **CAUTION!**  
Improper grounding could cause measurement error. To reduce the risk of measurement error:

- Ground the meter to earth, or follow ground network requirements for the facility.
- For installation in an area that requires intrinsic safety, refer to the appropriate Micro Motion approval documentation.
- For hazardous area installations in Europe, refer to standard EN 60079-14 if national standards do not apply.

The sensor/core processor assembly (see Figure 2-1 and Figure 2-3) or the sensor alone (see Figure 2-2 and Figure 2-4) must be grounded. To ground these components, see the sensor installation manual.

If your installation includes a remote core processor (see Figure 2-2 and Figure 2-4), it must be grounded. To ground the remote core processor:

- The core processor has two internal ground screws: one 4-wire ground screw and one 9-wire ground screw. Do not use the 4-wire ground screw. The 9-wire ground screw may be used (see Figure 3-13). To access the 9-wire ground screw, remove the core processor end-cap (see Figure 3-2).
- Use copper wire, 14 AWG (2.0 mm²) or larger, for grounding.
- Keep all ground leads as short as possible, less than 1 ohm impedance.
- Connect ground leads directly to earth, or follow plant standards.

If your installation includes the MVD Direct Connect I.S. barrier (see Figure 2-3 and Figure 2-4), the barrier is not grounded. Do not ground the barrier.

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**Figure 3-13 Core processor 9-wire ground screw**
4 MVD Direct Connect communications

For communication with the remote host, the core processor uses an industry-standard RS-485 half-duplex communication line driver. Supported communication settings are described in Table 4-1. The remote host can use any supported setting and the core processor will automatically detect and switch.

Table 4-1 Supported communication settings

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<tbody>
<tr>
<td>Protocol</td>
<td>Modbus RTU (8-bit)</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td></td>
<td>Modbus ASCII (7-bit)</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Baud rate</td>
<td>Standard rates between 1200 and 38,400</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Parity</td>
<td>Even, odd, none</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Stop bits</td>
<td>1, 2</td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>

4.1 Addresses

When addressing specific registers in the core processor, certain remote hosts require the program to subtract 1 from the address. For more information, see the manual entitled Modbus Mapping Assignments for Micro Motion Transmitters.

4.2 Response time

The core processor’s default response time to a valid query is 1.2 milliseconds. If required, a delay may be programmed into the core processor (see the manual entitled Modbus Mapping Assignments for Micro Motion Transmitters).

The core processor may be queried as often as once every 10 milliseconds. If you are sending queries at this rate at 38,400 baud, a maximum of three floating-point values can be returned per query.

Core processors may be multidropped, with a maximum of 15 per segment. Communication throughput is improved with fewer units per segment.

4.3 Byte order in floating-point values

Four bytes are used to transmit floating-point values. When the core processor leaves the Micro Motion factory, its default byte order is either 1–2–3–4 (typical) or 3–4–1–2. For contents of bytes, see Table 4-2.
Table 4-2 Byte contents in Modbus commands and responses

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>Byte</th>
<th>Bits</th>
<th>Definitions</th>
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<tbody>
<tr>
<td>1</td>
<td>S E E E E E E</td>
<td>S = Sign</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td>E = Exponent</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>2</td>
<td>E M M M M M M M</td>
<td>E = Exponent</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td>M = Mantissa</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>3</td>
<td>M M M M M M M M</td>
<td>M = Mantissa</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>4</td>
<td>M M M M M M M M</td>
<td>M = Mantissa</td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>

If the core processor is attached to a transmitter for any reason (for example, for field testing), the byte order is automatically set to 1–2–3–4. It may be necessary to reset the byte order before resuming MVD Direct Connect operation. Byte order is controlled by the value in register 521. The byte order codes and associated byte orders are listed in Table 4-3.

Table 4-3 Byte order codes and byte orders

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>Byte order code</th>
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<tbody>
<tr>
<td>0</td>
<td>1–2–3–4</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>1</td>
<td>3–4–1–2</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>2</td>
<td>2–1–4–3</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>3</td>
<td>4–3–2–1</td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>

4.4 Additional information

For more information on programming a remote host for use with MVD Direct Connect systems, see the manual entitled *Modbus Mapping Assignments for Micro Motion Transmitters*. 