

**Operating Instructions**  
**Bypass level indicator LevelSite®**



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## 1. Intended Applications

The Bypass Level Indicator (LevelSite®) is designed exclusively for visual indication of the liquid level corresponding to that of the connected tank or vessel. Where required, additional components such as limit switches or remote level transmitters may be installed by Barksdale.

The manufacturer is responsible for the design and execution of the equipment in accordance with the specifications and instructions provided by the orderer. The orderer is responsible for the proper installation, commissioning, and use of the equipment in compliance with all applicable national regulations, standards, and safety requirements.

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| <p>Read the operating instructions and the safety instructions carefully before using the Bypass Level Indicator. Non-observance may cause injuries to health or material damage. Barksdale GmbH cannot be held liable for any damage resulting from incorrect use.</p> <p>The Bypass Level Indicators (LevelSite®) must not be used in situations in which lives depend on proper functioning of the equipment.</p> <p>The Bypass Level Indicator may only be used in the specified fields of application and with the permissible data (see nameplate). The temperature ranges must be within the permissible limits. The stated pressures and electrical load values must not be exceeded.</p> <p>The orderer ensures that exothermic reactions or spontaneous gas-phase formation of the medium are impossible.</p> <p>Observe also the applicable national safety instructions for assembly, commissioning and operation of the Bypass Level Indicator.</p> |               |

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|                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                            | <b>CAUTION</b> |
| <p>If the medium is water and there is a risk of icing, the water must be discharged from the Bypass Level Indicator (LevelSite®) or heating must be provided to prevent damage to the float or the indicator tube.</p> <p>The maximum speed of the float caused by level changes must not exceed 1 m/s. If necessary a suitable screen must be installed by the orderer in the connection to the tank.</p> |                |

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|                                                                                                                                                                    | <b>NOTE</b> |
| <p>Unless agreed otherwise the Bypass Level Indicator (LevelSite®) is designed for static operating conditions. If any vibrations are to be expected, e.g. by pumps, compressors etc. the orderer must provide for adequate vibration absorption.</p> |             |

The classification of ex devices is stated on the nameplate and the EC type examination certificate. The designation  II 1G Ex h IIC T6...T1 Ga permits use in potentially explosive gas atmosphere outside the equipment in zone 0. Inside the equipment zone 0 is also permitted.

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|  | <b>CAUTION</b>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                  |
|  | <p>If the Bypass Level Indicator (LevelSite®) is determined for use in potentially explosive atmosphere, it must be checked whether the damper has been installed in the lower flange. The LevelSite® must be suitable for the intended use according to its nameplate.</p> <p>In case of use in zone 0, the maximum process temperatures according to the temperature class and the permissible pressure range in the tank of 0.8 to 1.1 bar absolute in case of potentially explosive temperature must be observed. If the Bypass Level Indicator (LevelSite®) is used in a potentially explosive atmosphere outside the permissible pressure range and temperature range in the tank mentioned above, the type examination certificate serves only as a guideline.</p> <p>Additional examinations for the specific operating conditions are recommended.</p> |

## 2. Safety Instructions

The safety instructions are intended to protect the user from dangerous situations and/or prevent material damage.

In the operating instructions the seriousness of the potential risk is designated by the following signal words:

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|           | <b>DANGER</b> |
| <p>Refers to imminent danger to men.</p> <p>Non-observance may result in fatal injuries.</p> |               |

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|                                                    | <b>WARNING</b> |
| <p>Refers to a recognizable danger.</p> <p>Non-observance may result in fatal injuries, and destroy the equipment or plant parts.</p> |                |

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|                                                                 | <b>CAUTION</b> |
| <p>Refers to a danger.</p> <p>Non-observance may result in minor injury and damage to the Bypass Level Indicator (LevelSite®) and/or the plant.</p> |                |

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|  | <b>NOTE</b> |
| <p>Refers to important information essential to the user.</p>                         |             |



#### Disposal

The Bypass Level Indicator must be disposed of correctly in accordance with the local regulations for electric/electronic equipment.

The Bypass Level Indicator must not be disposed of with the household garbage!

### 3. Standards

The standards applied during development, manufacture and configuration are listed in the CE conformity and manufacturer's declaration.

### 4. Warranty/Guarantee

#### Warranty

Our scope of delivery and services is governed by the legal warranties and warranty periods.

#### Terms of guarantee

We guarantee for function and material of the Bypass Level Indicator under normal operating and maintenance conditions in accordance with the statutory provisions.

#### Loss of guarantee

The agreed guarantee period will expire in case of:

- incorrect use
- modifications to the equipment
- incorrect installation
- incorrect handling or operation contrary to the provisions of these operating instructions

No liability is assumed for any damage resulting therefrom, or any consequential damage.

### 5. Principle of Operation

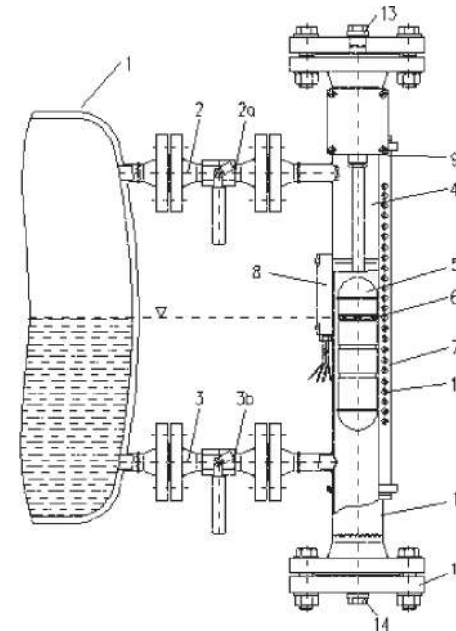


Figure 1: Sectional drawing LevelSite®

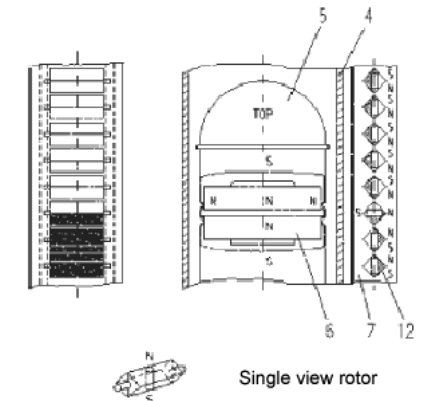


Figure 2: Detail - level indication LevelSite®

The Bypass Level Indicator (LevelSite®) works according to the principle of operation shown in figure 1.

The tank to be monitored (1/1) is connected with the Bypass Level Indicator (1/4) by two connecting lines (1/2 and 1/3). The liquid to be measured is always at the same level in the tank and in the Bypass Level Indicator.

The float (1/5) contains a magnetic system which acts on the one hand on the magnetic flags of the indication bar (1/7) and on the other hand on the limit switches (1/8) or on the electric transmitter (1/9).

## 6. Installation/Commissioning



### DANGER

The electrical connection may only be made by trained expert staff!

Prior to any work on electrical components disconnect them from power supply.



### NOTE



When the equipment is used in potentially explosive atmosphere chapter 1 "Intended Applications" must be observed!

If the Bypass Level Indicator (LevelSite®) is determined for use in potentially explosive atmosphere, it must be checked whether the damper has been installed in the lower flange. The LevelSite® must be suitable for the intended use according to its nameplate.



### DANGER



In ex areas, only equipment which is in conformity with ATEX may be used. EN 60079-14 must be observed.

The Ex Device must be integrated in the potential equalisation system via the tubing during installation.

Metallic process connection parts have to be included in the local potential equalization. The Ex Bypass Level Indicator has to be installed and used in such a way that electrostatic charging from operation, maintenance or cleaning is excluded.



### NOTE

Before further steps are taken the orderer must check whether the operating conditions agreed in the order are still valid. The equipment must be suitable for the intended purpose. This applies in particular to:

- the pressure, temperature, medium characteristics
- the classification according to the Pressure Equipment Directive
- possible additional loads

## Mechanical installation

Bypass Level Indicators (LevelSite®) are measuring devices. Perform all work on LevelSite® with utmost care.

- Check whether the Bypass Level Indicator (LevelSite®) supplied is in conformity with your order specification.
- Check whether all parts are available and that the connection flanges of tank and indicator match. The float has been packaged and attached to the outside of the Bypass Level Indicator (LevelSite®).
- Remove the bottom connection flange (1/10) from the LevelSite®.
- Insert the float into the LevelSite® in such a way that the mark (Top) points up.
- Attach the bottom connection flange with its gasket to the LevelSite®.
- Tighten all screws crosswise.



### CAUTION

During erection of the Bypass Level Indicator (LevelSite®) the float may be damaged by bumping.

Erect the Bypass Level Indicator (LevelSite®) slowly and carefully.



### CAUTION

Frozen fluids on or in the Bypass Level Indicator (LevelSite®) may cause faults or total failure.

If no liquid process medium can be guaranteed at low outdoor temperatures (risk of fluid freezing) the LevelSite® must be protected against frost by suitable measures or emptied completely.



### CAUTION

Thermal hazard from hot/cold surface of Bypass Level Indicator (LevelSite®)

Do not touch the LevelSite® with your bare hands. Wear protective gloves.



### DANGER

Depressurize the system before carrying out any work on the Bypass Level Indicator (LevelSite®)!



**NOTE**

Ensure that the flanges of the tank are accurately aligned with the flanges of the LevelSite®.

Non-alignment of the flanges causes seizing or distortion of the LevelSite® (1/4). The float (1/5) may get jammed.

The principle of operation of the Bypass Level Indicator is based on the magnetic field principle. No **magnetic iron parts** (e. g. screws, clamps etc.) must be used in the vicinity of the level tube.

Observe the data in chapter 8 „**Technical Data**“.

- Install the LevelSite® so that the nameplate (1/11) of the LevelSite® (1/4) is located at the bottom.
- Align all indication rotors (2/12) by means of a magnet or the enclosed float. All rotors must show the colour white or silver;  
white: makrolon, medium temperature up to 150 °C or aluminium, medium temperature up to 350 °C  
silver: aluminium, medium temperature up to 200 °C  
The maximum ambient temperature is 120 °C.
- Ensure that all flange attachment screws, the vent plug (1/13) and the drain screw (1/14) are tightened or closed properly.

**Torques for the screws:**

Comply with the torque values provided in the pipeline construction.

| Type                          | Screw dimension   | Torque [Nm] |
|-------------------------------|-------------------|-------------|
| DN25 flange                   | M12               | 50          |
| DN50 flange aramid fiber NBR  | M20               | 240         |
| DN50 flange comb profile seal | M20               | 150         |
| Plug                          | G½, ½" NPT        | 80          |
| Fastening clamp               | 7 mm hexagon head | 0.75        |

**Electrical installation**



**DANGER**

The orderer must ensure that all applicable regulations are observed in the event that electric limit switches and remote indicators are used.

For further information about installation of the electric limit switches and remote indicators refer to the corresponding installation and operating instructions.

**Commissioning**

The Bypass Level Indicators (LevelSite®) are specially made for a specific application. The most important data, such as flange, pressure, temperature and min. specific gravity of the float are specified on the nameplate (1/11).

- Check prior to commissioning whether the technical data according to the nameplate are in agreement with the plant requirements.

Operating pressure and operating temperature of the plant must not exceed the data stated on the nameplate of the Bypass Level Indicator. Exceeding the limit values will cause changes in the behaviour and service life of the LevelSite®. If the proof pressure is exceeded, functioning of the LevelSite® is no longer guaranteed and the LevelSite® may be damaged.

- Ensure that - dependent on the type of medium to be measured - the appropriate safety precautions are taken.

**Filling the Bypass Level Indicator**

- Slowly open the top valve (1/2a).
- Slowly open the bottom valve (1/3b).

The liquid rises slowly in the LevelSite® (1/4). The float (1/5) is lifted until the same level is reached in the tank (1/1) and in the LevelSite®.

- Fully open the bottom valve (1/3b).



**NOTE**

For pressures above 40 bar a vented float (additional designation: -VAE) is used which is provided with a small pressure compensation tube.

When using the VAE version take care that the temperature in the LevelSite® and in the float rises evenly and slowly. The use of vented floats should be discussed with the manufacturer beforehand.

7. Maintenance

**DANGER**

Depressurize the system before carrying out any work on the Bypass Level Indicator (LevelSite®)!

**DANGER**

Maintenance must not be performed in a potentially explosive atmosphere.

If the liquid to be measured contains dirt particles which may deposit in the bottom part of the LevelSite®:

- Determine the necessary time interval for cleaning.

**NOTE**

Coated Bypass Level Indicators must be checked regularly - at least every 12 months - for damage to the coating.

Cleaning

- Open the drain plug (1/14) or drain valve. Wash out the deposits.
- If there are any encrustations, remove the top and bottom flange (dependent on the model).
- Carefully remove the float.
- Clean the LevelSite® mechanically.
- Check all flanges, discharge tubes and vent plugs for firm seat and tightness at regular intervals.
- Check the gaskets carefully. Replace graphite gaskets immediately when damaged.

**NOTE**

The orderer must ensure that the inspection intervals required for his plant are observed.

Indicators provided with a heating jacket covering the inner weld seams must be subjected to a pressure chamber leak test at intervals to be specified by the operator. This is to recognize corrosion-conditioned leaks of a weld seam exposed to the process medium, and to prevent that process medium from entering the heating circuit.

8. Technical Data

|                                 |                                |                |                     |                     |    |          |     |                                |                     |          |      |
|---------------------------------|--------------------------------|----------------|---------------------|---------------------|----|----------|-----|--------------------------------|---------------------|----------|------|
|                                 | L1                             | L2             | L3                  | L4                  | L5 | L6       | L7  | LA                             | LB                  | LC       | LD   |
| Tube and Flange Material        | 1.4571                         |                |                     |                     |    |          |     | 1.4571                         |                     |          |      |
| Float Material                  | Buna-Nitrile, 1.4571, Titanium |                | 1.4571 and Titanium | 1.4571 and Titanium |    | Titanium |     | Buna-Nitrile, 1.4571, Titanium | 1.4571 and Titanium | Titanium |      |
| Media Temperature Range*        | -10° C to 90° C                | -10°C to 150°C |                     |                     |    |          |     | -10°C to 90°C                  | -10°C to 150°C      |          |      |
| Max Permissible Pressure in Bar | 6                              | 10             | 16                  | 16                  | 40 | 63       | 100 | 12                             | 12                  | 31.4     | 62.8 |

\* Ex-temperature range according to ATEX certificate. An extended temperature is described in each datasheet.

Nameplate

For ex equipment (example)

**Barksdale**  
CONTROL PRODUCTS  
Seriennummer / Serial No. \_\_\_\_\_  
Barksdale GmbH  
Dorn- Assenheimer Str. 27  
D-61203 Reichelsheim

Art.Nr. / Part No. \_\_\_\_\_  
**Barksdale**  
CONTROL PRODUCTS  
Typ / type \_\_\_\_\_  
TAG Nr. / TAG No. \_\_\_\_\_

II 1 G Ex h IIC T6...T1 Ga  
TÜV 08 ATEX 554726 X  
T6 = -40°C... + 68°C  
T5 = -40°C... + 80°C  
T4 = -40°C... + 108°C  
T3 = -40°C... + 160°C  
T2 = -40°C... + 240°C  
T1 = -40°C... + 320°C  
PS = 0,8 - 1,1 bar abs.

Seriennummer / Serial No. \_\_\_\_\_  
Herstellungsdatum / Manuf. date \_\_\_\_\_  
Anschluss / Connection \_\_\_\_\_  
Min Dicke / Min. density \_\_\_\_\_  
Max. zul. Betriebsdruck in nicht-Ex-Bereich /  
permissible pressure in non explosive  
Environment \_\_\_\_\_  
Min./Max. Medium Temp. / Min./Max. Fluid Temp. \_\_\_\_\_  
Fluidgruppe / Fluid group \_\_\_\_\_  
Druckgefäßvolumen / Pressure Equipment volume \_\_\_\_\_

Die Betriebsanleitung und die  
Ex-Bescheinigung sind zu beachten. /  
Switches must be used in accordance with  
the standards and our instruction.

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WARNUNG - Gefahr durch elektrostatische  
Entladungen - siehe Betriebsanleitung /  
Warning - Potential electrostatic Charging  
Hazard - see instructions.

  
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