

# Sensor Mounting Application Note for use with Intelligent Sensors (iseries) Gas Sensors

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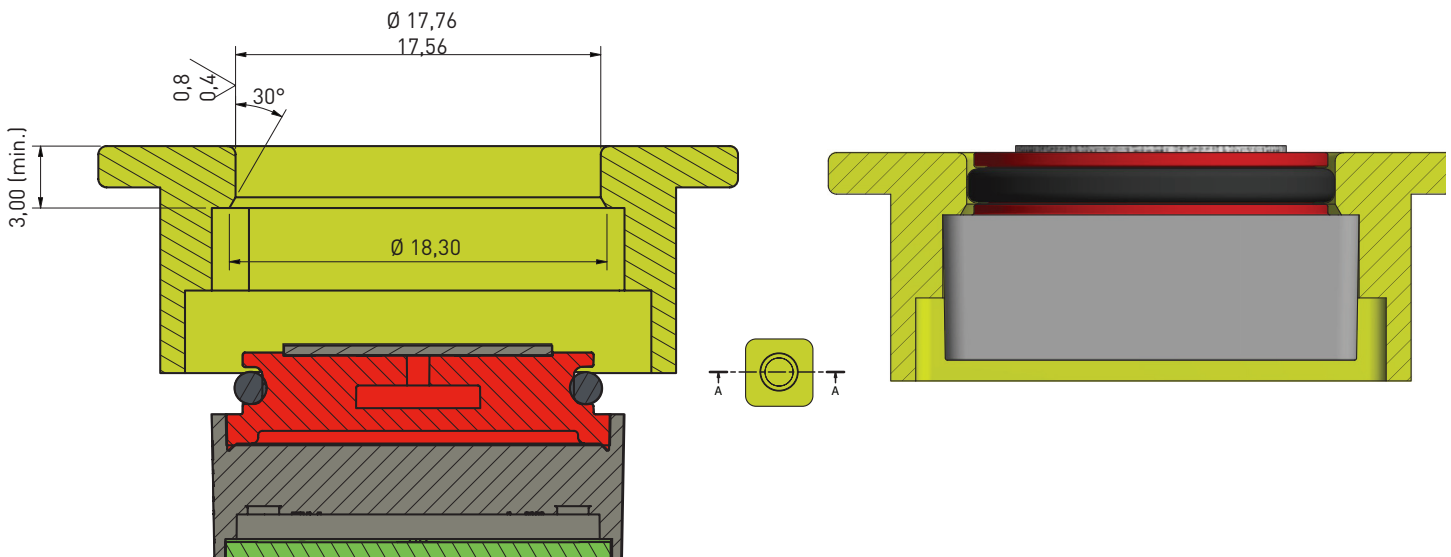
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## Turret Sealing: IP68 Design

The front of the sensor is fit enough to withstand dust, sand, and dirt, along with being resistant to submersion up to a maximum depth of 1,5 m underwater for up to thirty minutes if the sensor is mounted using the recommended turret seal design. The O-ring around the sensor allows the user to seal the sensor and attain the IP68 rating. Note that the rear of the sensor is not water-proof.

The recommended turret dimensions for the bore diameter are from 17,56 mm (min) to 17,76 mm (max), and the surface finish must be longer than 3 mm, as depicted in Figure 1.

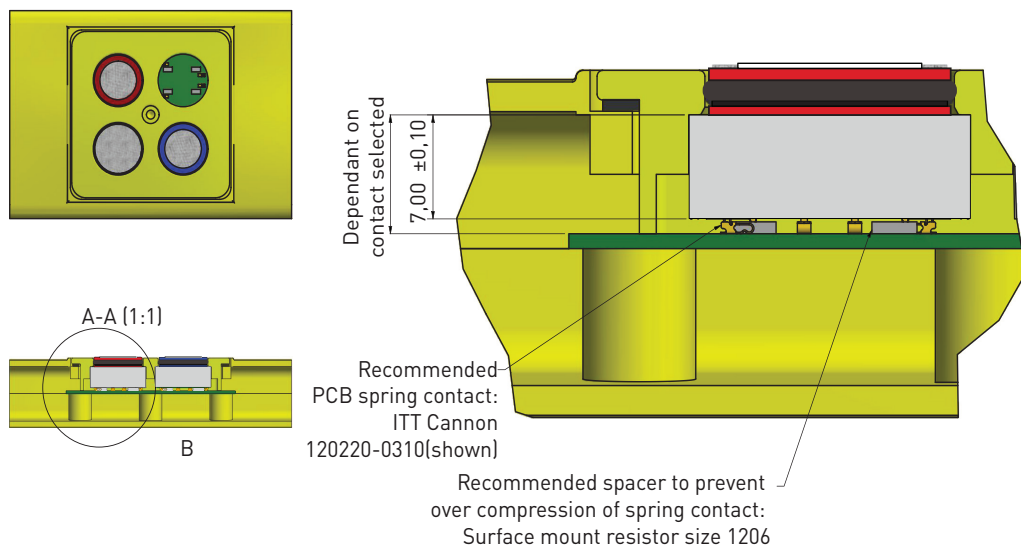
Figure 1. iseries Sensor (Recommended Turret Dimensions)



## PCB Mounting

If the sensor is mounted inside an instrument, it is required to allow a minimum space height under the cell; this height will depend on the connector. Depending on which of connector is used, the minimum height between the cell and PCB would change.

Figure 2. iseries Sensor (Mounted Inside an Instrument)



If the sensor is installed inside an instrument, the airpath of the gas is different to access the sensor; likewise, if an additional membrane is used on top of the sensor, the gas diffusion would be different. In general, if the gas dynamics change, the measured concentration value would also change. To compensate for this, it is necessary to change the user factor accordingly.

The sensor/instrument coupling can be analysed by City Technology, so the user factor can be determined accordingly. This would mean that once the user factor is assigned, the sensor would be ready to be set in your instrument (fully calibrated).

## Recommended Spring Contact

**Under no circumstances** should intelligent sensor pads be soldered to, as this can cause leakage of electrolyte. Connection should be made via a mounting socket and spring connector.

**STOP WARNING: SOLDERING TO PADS WILL RENDER YOUR WARRANTY VOID.**

Details of recommended spring connects are given below:

Supplier:

UK – Cannon

VEAM Jays Close, Viabes Estate

Basingstoke, RG22 4BA

phone: +44.1256.311200

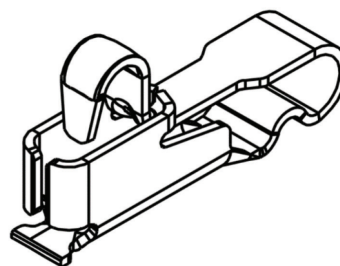
fax: +44.1256.323356

<http://www.itt.com>

Micro Universal contact: uncompressed height: 1.1 mm, P0.4 SPC

Manufacturing part number: 120220-0348

Figure 3. ITT Spring Contact: 120220-0348



## Flow Rate

### Minimum Flow Rate Required

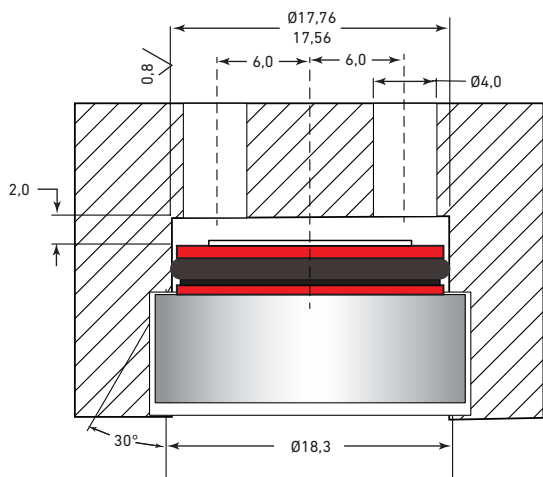
A minimum flow rate is required to ensure accurate calibration - it also means that the response from a sensor is equivalent in configurations where gas is flowing over the sensor and those where the sample is allowed to diffuse to the sensor. The minimum flow which is required will be different depending on the sensor type.

The reaction mechanism of sensors, consumes target gas - this means that the concentration of target gas will be depleted immediately in front of the sensor. The minimum flow rates are set so that, the sensor is exposed to a constant concentration of target gas - the flow rate is great enough to ensure that this depleted concentration is immediately replaced. This mimics the situation where the sample diffuses to the sensor; there will be a large volume of target gas so that the depletion is immediately replaced - via diffusion.

### Recommended Gassing Hood

The following diagram (Figure 3) shows the cross-sectional drawing of the recommended gassing hood.

Figure 3. Recommended Gassing Hood Dimensions



The gassing hood used in this design enables a constant flow-rate in the inlet and outlet of the arrangement.

The typical, minimum and maximum flow-rates of the recommended gassing hood are:

Table 1. Flow Rates of the Recommended Gassing Hood

FLOW RATE	UNITS
Minimum	100 ml/min.
Typical	200 ml/min.
Maximum	500 ml/min.

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