

AT-APA Addressable Pinpoint Alarm

Product & Design Guide



The highly-efficient leak detection alarm panel for use with TraceTek sensing cables and AquiTron point sensors/probes

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LEAK DETECTION

AquiTron

AT-APA

- Detects a leak at any point on the sensing cable or probe circuit
- 4 independent sensing circuits (4 zones)
- Pinpoint meterage location*
- Detects cable break faults
- 40 addressable regions
- 4 simultaneous leaks can be detected
- Touch-screen display
- Can monitor temperature and humidity with an additional sensor
- Modbus TCP/IP integration, SNMP traps and BACnet[®]
- Comprehensive event logging
- Built-in web server
- * Leak accuracy is dependent on leakage value %

The AquiTron Addressable Pinpoint Alarm (AT-APA) is a highly efficient leak detection alarm panel for use with TraceTek sensing cables and AquiTron point sensors/probes.

Up to four hardwired separate leak detection channels (zones) can be connected to the panel.

Ten AT-PROBE-TS-M leak detection probes or up to 100 metres of leak detection cable can be connected to each zone. Each circuit can be sub-divided into as many as 10 regions (zones) and each region individually named.

This, along with multiple connection methods available for external equipment, make this a panel to fit almost any application.

The unit has been designed for all fluid leak detection applications where fast localisation of the leak, automatic alarm reports and remote monitoring of the data are important. All detailed information about the alarm is also sent by email and is also available to the building management system via Modbus TCP/IP and BACNet[®]. An SNMP trap is also sent in the case of a leak.

This module also contains the necessary volt-free relay contacts per channel for alarm reports. The operator can constantly monitor the status of the leak detection loops; this can be done on site on the touch screen and a computer via the built-in web server.

The AT-APA panel is accurate and easy to use, ideal for small and medium applications where accurate leak location is required.





How The Technology Works

Minimise downtime and a costly clean-up – pinpoint the leak fast



TraceTek sensing cable:

- · Detects leaks at any point along its length
- Fluoropolymer construction that resists corrosion, chemicals, dust and dirt
- Supplied with factory-installed connectors and modular lengths for easy installation and modifications
- Allows for easy maintenance and troubleshooting with an ohm-meter or portable test box because of its simple circuit design
- Uniform sensitivity all along the sensing cable length

The AT-APA Alarm Panel:

- · Offers simple touch screen instruction
- Ability to upload PDF drawings of the installation 'maps' for easy identification of the leak location
- Continuously monitors all four sensing circuits for fault condition 'cable break'
 and liquid spills
- Provides a clear display that differentiates leak alarms from cable break, sensing circuit continuity failure

AquiTron AT-APA Addressable Pinpoint Alarm panel combined with TraceTek water and fuel sensing cables provide a solution that, when a leak occurs, sounds an alarm and displays the exact distance to the leak; for example:

Leak 35 m – Leak Zone – Comms Room



Isolate the water supply using the leak relays to control the solenoid valve and reduce the damage and disruption within a building.



Remote monitoring of the panel via a webserver, easy integration to the buildings IT Network or BMS monitoring.



Typical Applications

Leak detection in data centre & server rooms

In data centre and server rooms an AquiTron leak detection system provides the best possible protection against leaks from air conditioning systems, cooling pipes or the ingress of water from adjacent rooms.

Very small leaks are detected with these systems before they can cause any major problems.

Two types of sensing cables (TT1000 and TT1100) are used in highly sensitive areas.





TT1000 water leak detection cable

TT1000 water sensing cable is installed under the raised access floor close to all the air conditioning units, chilled water and condensate pipework. The sensing cable can also be installed at high level within drip trays over critical pieces of equipment.

Technical specification: TT1000



Typical Applications

Leak detection on pipes

If pipes have to pass through critical areas or above expensive equipment they should be protected against water leaks.

Pipes installed in the ceiling can cause large amounts of damage if a leak occurs.

Fitting an AquiTron leak detection system will provide an early warning of a weeping valve, pipe fitting or connector before a flood occurs.

TT1100-OHP is a water sensing cable designed for overhead pipes or areas which are dirty and dusty.





TT1100-OHP water leak detection cable

TT1100–OHP is similar to TT1000. However it is supplied with a unique polyester over braid layer providing a wicking action that assures the first drops of water to hit the sensor cable are absorbed and wicked along the cable until an alarm signal is generated and the leak located. The rope layer also provides additional insulation where sharp metal edges could be a problem and works well to protect the sensor electrodes in dirty or dusty areas. The fibre is selected to be rapid drying so that once the leak is located and repaired, the cable will quickly dry and be ready for re-use. TT1100–OHP is a distributed sensor that can be attached to the bottom of suspended piping with cable ties. There is no need for a drip tray to bring water into contact with the sensor cable.

Technical specification: TT1100-OHP





Typical Applications

Leak detection for fuels

There are various methods for protecting fuel pipelines, generators and tanks against leaks.

TraceTek TT5000 series of sensing cables detects the presence of liquid hydrocarbon fuels at any point along its length, yet does not react to the presence of water. Installed with an AT-APA alarm panel, the cable senses the liquid, triggers an alarm and pin-points the location of the leak within one metre.*

The sensing cable can also be installed around the room perimeter or in critical areas such as under tanks, adjacent pumps, valves or pipe connections.

If you have pipes that run externally, there is a specific version for these applications. TT5000-HUV has an synthetic fibre braid designed to wick fuel and provide ultraviolet protection to the sensor. The TT5000 series can also be used in a hazardous area with zener barriers.

 * Leak accuracy is dependent on leakage value %





TT5000 fuel sensing cable

TT5000 is a fuel sensing cable that can detect and locate spills of gasoline, jet fuel, diesel, crude oil and similar hydrocarbon liquids. It will not detect or react to water.

The cable is available in outdoor (above ground), underground and indoor versions.

Technical specification: TT5000



Drawings not to scale

System Design Overview

- · Addressable pinpoint panel used in this vertical design layout example to its full advantage.
- · One panel can manage all four areas and report the leak to a single panel
- Volt-free alarm relays can be used to activate local remote alarm panels 'AT-RAP' within each area to provide visual and audible alarms.
- Up to 100 metres of sensing cable can be used on each of the 4 channels (zones) and mixed with water or optical floor sensing probes



System Design Overview

Up to 4 sensing zones, all individually monitored for leak location.



Area 1

Perimeter coverage commonly used to protect from equipment leaking around the perimeter or leaks entering from adjacent rooms

Area 2

Water sensing probes located below ACU's or within bunded areas or drip trays.

Area 3

Perimeter ACU protection when the chilled water or condensate pipe are located in front of the units

Area 4

Perimeter ACU protection when the chilled water or condensate pipe feed from above plus high-level sensing cable within a drip tray or attached to the pipes.

System Design Overview

The AT-APA alarm panel can be remotely located away from the areas been sensed i.e in a security, control or BMS room.

Sensing cables and probes can be mixed on the same sensing circuit.

lengths. AT-APA, Addressable Pinpoint Select components with Plastic Connectors (PC suffix for alarm panel. 230Vac. 1ph TT1000 & TT1100) and with suffix MC for metal connectors for TT5000. Channel No.3 Water sensing cable (max 100m per channel) Channel No.4 Channel No.1 Fuel sensing cable (max 100m per channel) Channel No 2 Each probe equals 16 metres 100m max of total sensing circuit Water sensing probe Hold-down-clips, recommended fixing every 0.8 to 1m Point detectors - probes multiple types are available to or change in cable direction. Caution/mapping tags

Note:

15, 25 metres lengths.

recommended every 4/5 metres.

detect water and water+fuels

TT1000 water sensing cable, available in 1, 3, 5, 7.5, 15, 25 metres lengths. Modular jumper cable available in 1, 3, 5, 10,

Modular leader cables available in 5, 10, 15, 20, 25 metres

A' shows a Branch Connector in the sensing circuit. The branch connector is wired so the connected branch appears in series, middle leg first. The branch connector also adds a simulated cable length of 5 metres on each leg on each branch to make a clear division between areas or sections of sensing cable. The number of branch connectors is limited only by the total length of the sensing circuit.

- 'B' shows where the sensing circuit jumps to a new room or area and a weighted length is used. The weighted length simulates 5 metres of sensing cable so the 'System Map' will show clear divisions between the separate areas.
 - 'C' shows a leader cable and jumper cables used at the start of the system leading away from the panel. They are also used between different sections of sensing cables. Max 500 metres per circuit.
 - 'D' shows an end termination used at the end of each sensing cable circuit. When using the AT-PROBE-TS end of line loops need to be installed on the last probe.

Technical Ordering Information



Addressable Pinpoint Alarm panel Four channel Addressable Pinpoint Alarm panel, 230Vac AT-APA

SENSING CABLES AND PROBES



Technical Ordering Information

	A range of 230Vac brass bodied WRAS approved (certified) N.1411048 pilot-operated diagram valves. Normally closed (fail safe) with manual release overr Suitable to shut off water supply following a leak alarm. Available in DN15 to DN54 (15mm to 54mm)		
1. 1	AT-V-NC-15	AT-V-NC-22	AT-V-NC-28
	AT-V-NC-35	AT-V-NC-42	AT-V-NC-54
	AT-RAP		
	The AT-RAP remote alarm p reception, security or outside (see note A)	anel interfaces to a main leak detection pa e the door of the main system. The AT-RA	anel to provide an audible and visual alarm in an alternative part of the building such a P incorporates a push button to mute. 12/24V ac/dc and 230Vac versions available.
	AT-RAP-12/24	AT-RAP-230	
OMPON	ENTS		
	Modular Jumper cable		
	Modular Jumper cable, (yelle at other end. Available in 6 le	ow), LSZH rated with plastic connector pre engths. (See note A)	e-fitted. Pin type male plastic connector at one end and socket type female plastic con
	AT-MJC-3M	AT-MJC-5M	AT-MJC-10M
•	AT-MJC-15M	AT-MJC-25M	AT-MJC-30M
	Bulk Jumper Cable		
	Jumper cable, (yellow), LSZH rated on bulk reels for directly connecting into the PROBE-TS or for connection to the modular sensing cable after fitting the necessary connectors. Male and female connectors with a 250mm tail are available separately and can be spliced on to the bulk jumper cable with a splice TT-JSK-HS18 (kit contains parts for 5 cable joints)		
1	AT-BJC-50	AT-BJC-100	AT-BJC-200
	AT-MC-250	AT-FC-250	TT-JSK-HS18
	Modular Leader Cable		
	Modular Leader cable with plastic connectors (vellow) S7H rated. One and prepared for terminal connection in plarm papel (or for enlising to bulk immer		
Λ.	and other end prepared with	socket type female plastic connector. Ava	ilable in 6 lengths. (see note A)
	AT-MLC-5-PC	AT-MLC-10-PC	AT-MLC-15-PC
11	AT-MLC-20-PC	AT-MLC-25-PC	AT-MLC-30-PC
	Modular End Termination		• • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • •
	Modular end termination with	n pin type male plastic connector. Require	d at end of sensing circuit and all branches. (see note A)
	TT-MET-PC		
	Branch Connectors		
	Two types of branching connector are available; a junction box version AT-BCB which allows for bulk jumper cable or AT-MC/FC-250 male/female connector directly fitted. A modular connector version with pre-fitted leads and plastic connectors. (See note A)		
	AT-BCB	TT-MBC-PC	
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	Weighted Length		
	A weighted length is used to available: female version for (See note A)	provide clear division between areas in a inline splicing with bulk jumper cable or a	sensing circuit. The weighted length simulates 4.5m of sensing cable length. Two typ pin type plastic connector at one end and a socket type plastic connector at other en-
	AT-FC-WL	TT-WL-4.5M/15FT-PC	
	Hold-Down Clips & Cautio	n Tags	
¢	Fixing clips to secure sensing cable and jumper cable to the floor, drip tray of flat surface. Supplied in bags of 50, 100 and 200.		
	Caution / mapping tags used to identify sensing cable segments and record mapped distance. Supplied in bags of 50 or as mixed kits with hold-down clips		
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	TT-PTB-1000 Portable Test Box. Battery-o installation and maintenance plastic-to-alligator clip) along	perated device for testing TraceTek sensir of extensive systems. TT-PTB-1000 has with modular end terminations.	ng cables. Allows testing of an individual length or up to 1000m of sensing cable. User plastic socket connector on flexible cord. Test box kit includes adaptors (plastic-to-me
01	plastic-to-alligator clip) along	y with modular end terminations.	





About Aquilar

Aquilar are a distributor and manufacturer of leak detection equipment providing solutions for detecting water, fuel, chemical and refrigerant gas leaks.

Aquilar Limited – providing world-leading systems for leak detection in critical industrial and commercial environments

Aquilar, founded in 2000, soon became the number one partner for the world leading TraceTek leak detection system, formally invented and manufactured by the Raychem Corporation.

Finding that one manufacturer did not offer a solution for all applications. Aquilar embarked on a customer focus program, speaking to many specifying engineers and customers to find out what other products were required. From this, development moved forward and a new range of brands were created including AquiWave, AquiTron, AquiNet and EcoLeak. R&D continues today with new products and solutions created to solve customers' challenges and to meet with new and changing standards within the building industry. Aquilar prides itself on the level of service provided to its clients, offering step-by-step guidance, delivering the most effective solution for each project. A team of dedicated professionals can assist with design support, schematics, technical submittals, and quotations through to the delivery of the leak detection system along with product support required to complete the project to the highest standard.

Whilst Aquilar do not install leak detection directly, they do have a number of highly-trained partner installers around the country to ensure all systems are completed and maintained to the clients' specifications. Based in Broadbridge Heath, Horsham, West Sussex, Aquilar also benefits from ample warehouse space to keep good stock levels, providing off the shelf systems for the largest projects.

Aquilar has over 19 years' experience in design support and supplying leak detection systems into almost all market areas such as data centres, office buildings, banks, schools, hospitals, fuel storage facilities and laboratories. Aquilar have the right solution for all your leak detection needs.

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