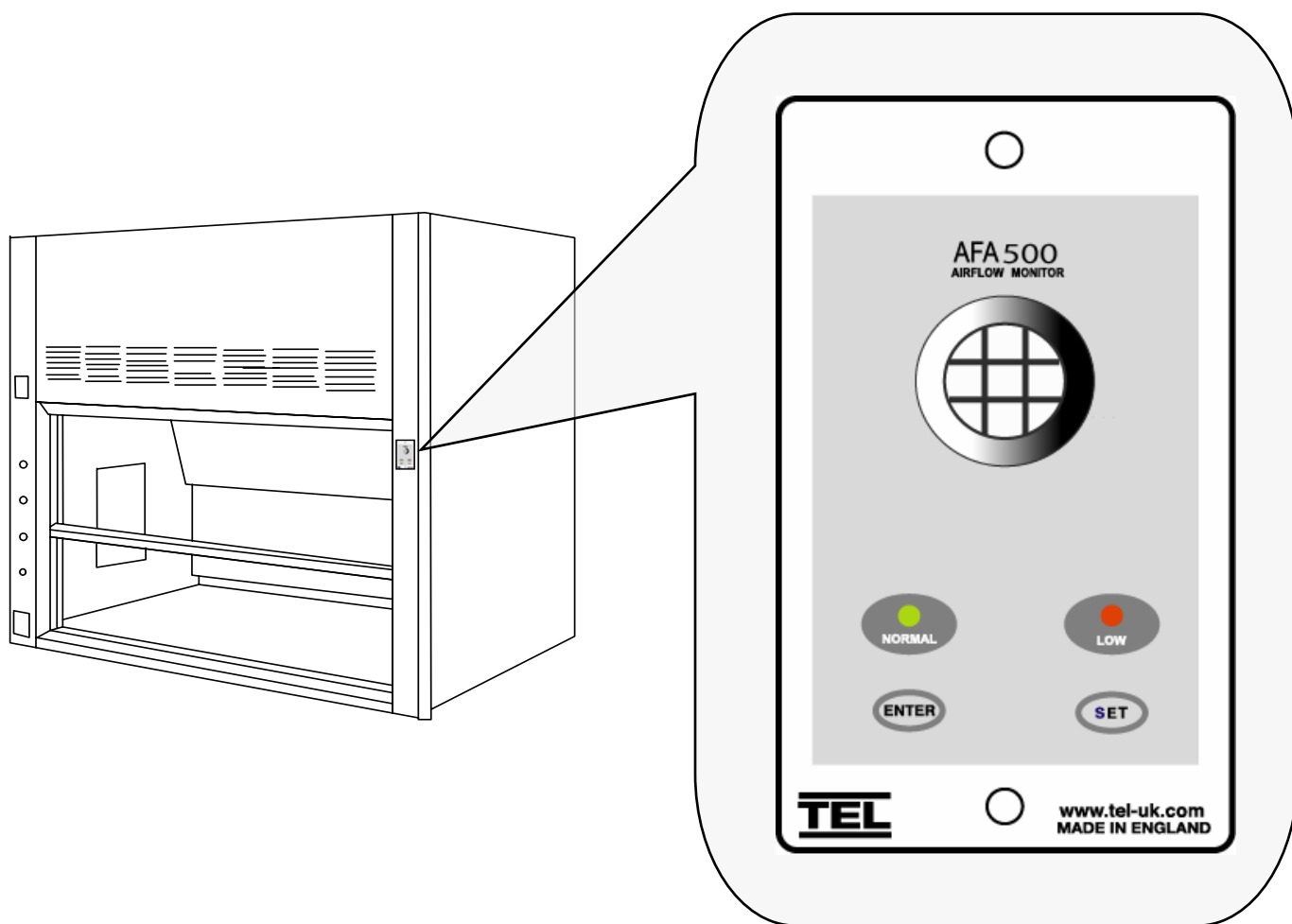


AFA 500

FUME HOOD ALARM

Operating and Instruction Manual



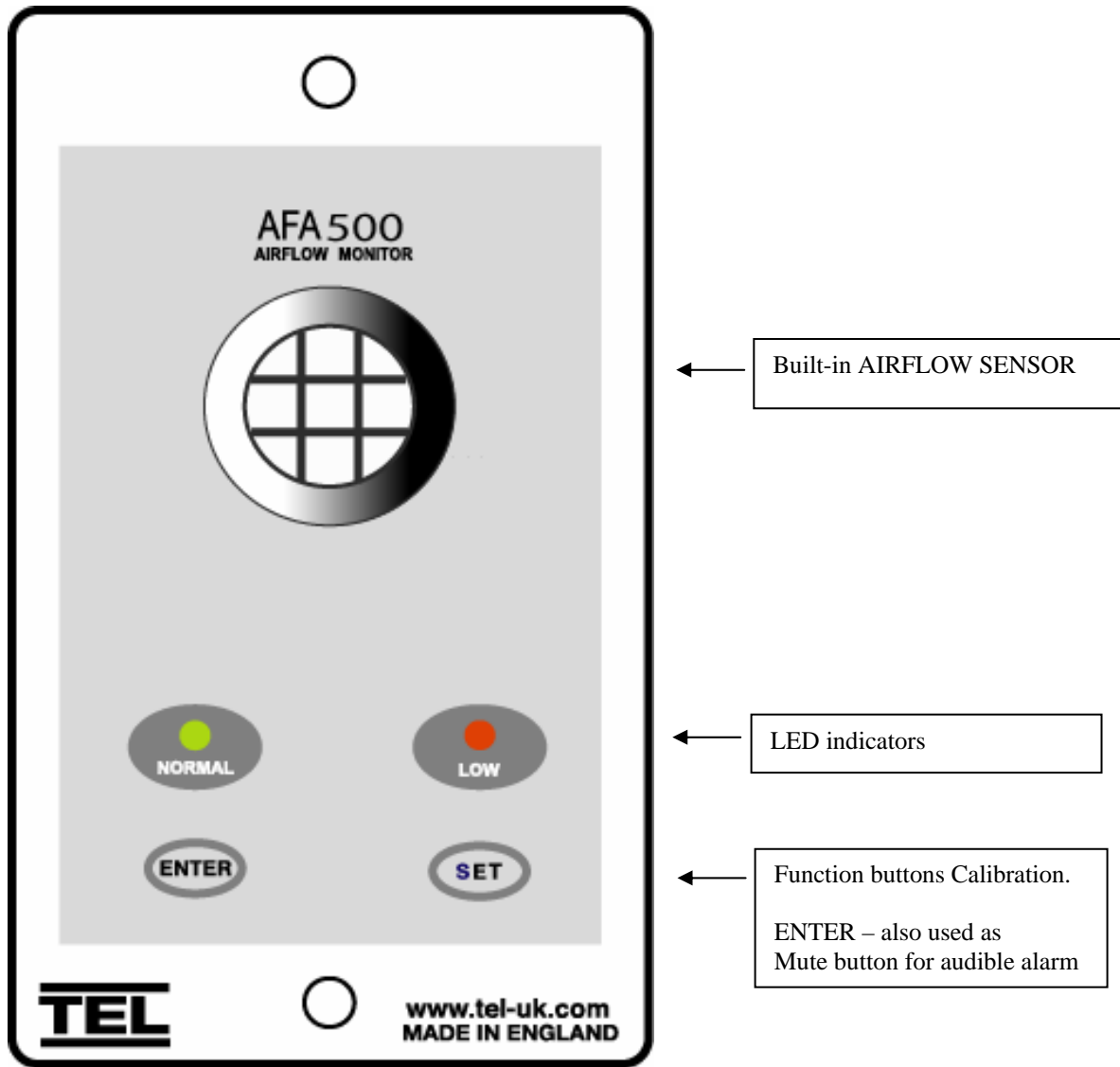
Model AFA 500

- Built-in or Remote sensor
- 2 Relay inputs
- 1 Relay output
- Com port

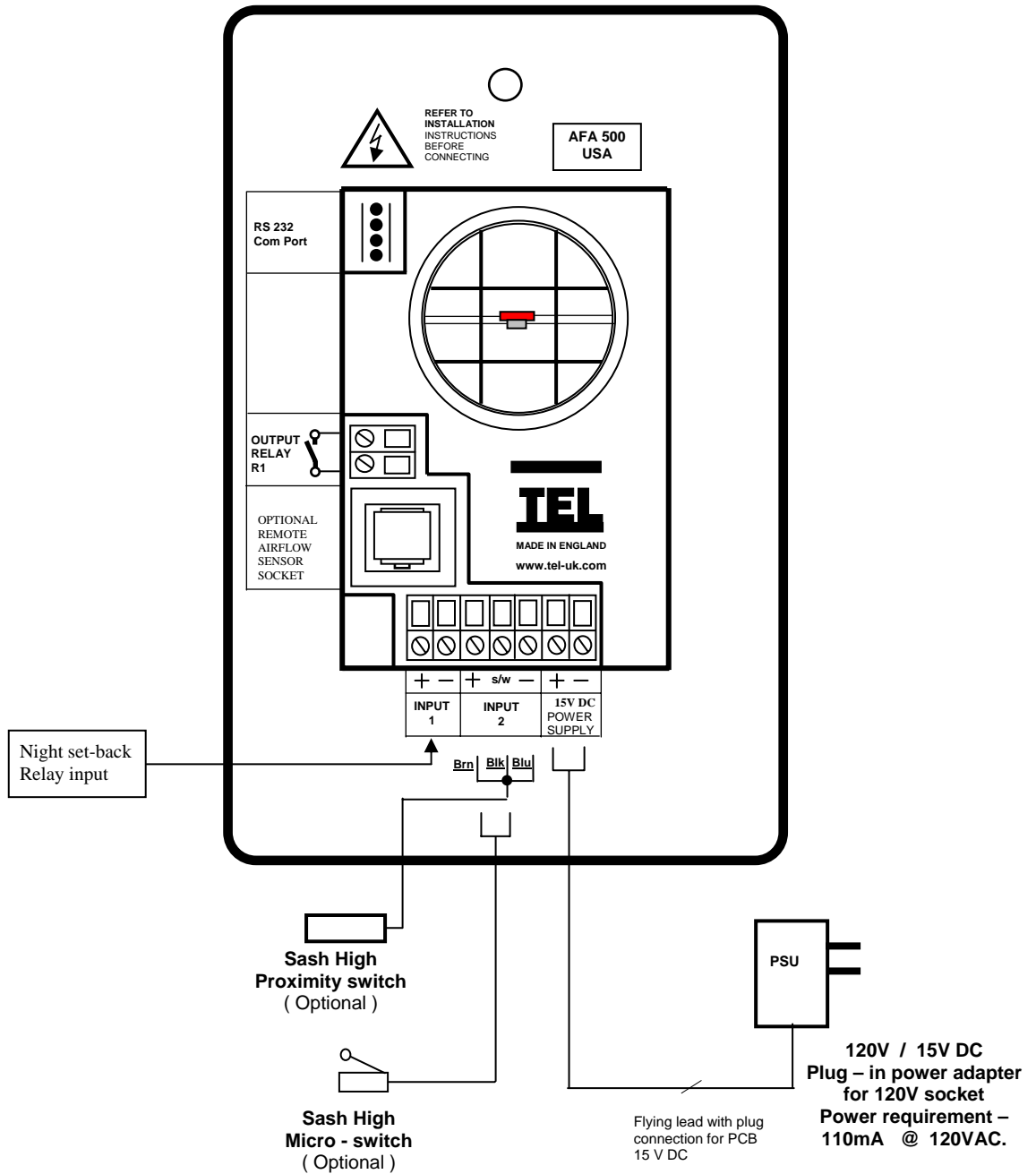
Used for alarm indication and monitoring on Fume Hoods

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1.0 Operator Display Panel



2.0 Connection details



Notes:-

1. The Sash High alarm can operate with the Micro switch **OR** the Proximity Switch. Both connection points are available as standard.
2. Inputs 1 & 2 are volt free inputs. (Max line resistance 4.7K ohms) (Short circuit current 5mA DC)
3. Relay output R1 is a power limited volt free contact. Contact rating 30VAC / 42VDC Max
4. Primary power requirement - 110mA @ 120VAC (3A Fused supply recommended).

All systems comprise of the following components :-

- 1 – AFA 500 Alarm unit,
- 1 – AC power supply

If the Sash Alarm System option is ordered there will also be a sash micro switch or proximity switch.

Operator Features --- the alarm has the following operator features :-

Normal Airflow - Green LED (Not flashing) will be displayed if the airflow is greater than the Low air alarm point.

Low Airflow - Red LED (Not flashing) will be displayed if the airflow is lower than the Low air alarm point.

Sash High - Red LED (Flashing) will be displayed when the Sash is raised above the max safe working opening.

Audible Alarm -- the Audible alarm will sound (can be muted) in the Air Low and the Sash High alarm condition

Night Setback -- when the Night Setback input is activated the Audible alarm will be muted and the **Green LED will flash on/off**

ENTER --- the alarm has an Enter button -- this is multi-functional as follows :-

Press **Enter** momentarily when Low Air alarm is sounding will mute the alarm

Press **Enter** momentarily when Sash High alarm is sounding will mute the alarm and initiate a repeat timer that will re-sound the alarm if the Sash is not lowered to a safe position before the end of the time period

Press **Enter** for 5 secs will gain access to **Calibration** mode

SET -- used during the airflow Calibration of the alarm

External Connections -- the alarm unit has the following connection points :-

Input 1 --- volt free relay input – (close contact to activate the input)

This input is configured as :- **NIGHT SETBACK**

Output R1 --- volt free relay output - (contact closes on activation)

This input is configured as :- **LOW AIR ALARM**

Sash High Input: a. Connection point for Sash High **micro switch**.
(Switch contact to close and remain closed in Sash High condition)

b. Connection point for Sash High **proximity switch**.
(Switch contact to close and remain closed in Sash High condition)

Note:- Use input a. OR input b. for the Sash High alarm

Com Port --- to enable connection to Laptop or PC for full diagnostics , logging or setting up and for communications to building computer system (BMS)

Power supply --- low voltage DC power supply 15V DC

4.0 Alarm Configuration / Calibration

The alarm is supplied with a factory configuration.

The only part of the configuration that can be changed is the setting for the Sash High repeat timer time delay -- if required this can be changed by connection to a Laptop or PC via the RS232 com port.

The alarm is supplied in the single point calibration mode'

To calibrate the alarm the airflow is reduced to the alarm point mechanically and this airflow is 'captured' by the alarm. The airflow is then mechanically restored to the normal operating value and the Low Air alarm will activate if the airflow subsequently falls to the alarm point

See 'Quick Start Installation' below for details of the Calibration procedures

5.0 Start up

When unit is powered up the following sequence of events occur :-

1. The 12V DC power is applied to the airflow sensor and the alarm then performs a self test on the functions , LEDs and audible alarm (2 secs) and then initiates a delay timer of 30 secs to allow the airflow sensor to stabilise.
2. During the whole of the 30 sec period all alarms and relay outputs are inhibited and the Red & Green LEDs will be permanently ON.
3. At the end of the 30 sec delay the unit performs one of two options :-
 - a. If the alarm calibration has been previously completed – the unit goes to normal operating mode (Run)
 - b. If the unit has not been calibrated -- the Red & Green LEDs will flash on/off and the audible alarm will be muted. It is then possible to press the Enter button for 5 secs and go into the calibration mode.
(See Quick Start Installation' below for details of the Calibration procedures)

6.0 Events / actions

Normal airflow

- Airflow above alarm level (eg > 80 fpm)
- Green LED on

Low airflow

- Airflow below alarm level for longer than the low air delay time (5 secs)
- Red LED on (Not flashing)
- Audible alarm sounds ('Beep' on/off every 1 sec) -- can be muted via Enter pushbutton
- Low air relay R1 operates.

Reset : -- when airflow rises above Low air level for longer than the low air to safe air delay time (2 secs) the Low air alarm resets automatically

Sash High

- When the input configured as Sash High is activated (Micro switch or Proximity switch)
- Red LED on (Flashing)
- Audible alarm sounds ('Beep' on/off every 1 sec)
- Audible can be muted via Enter pushbutton -- this silences the alarm and initiates a repeat timer (factory set to 5 mins) After the delay time the alarm re-sounds (and can be re-muted). During this time the Red LED flashes on / off.

Reset: -- when Sash lowered to safe position and input de-activated.

Night set-back

- When input configured as Night set-back is activated
- Green LED on (Flashing)
- Audible alarm muted

Airflow Sensor Error

- The connection and each element of the airflow sensor are monitored at all times. In the event of a problem with the sensor the audible alarm will sound using a different and distinctive tone best described as ' a modulating siren effect'
- The audible alarm can only be silenced by switching the power to the unit off.

7.0 Quick Start Installation

Follow the instructions below for installing and commissioning the unit. :-

1. Fit the alarm to the Fume Hood using the cut-out details provided with the unit --- see page 11 to 13
2. Plug in the power adapter to a Mains AC power socket and connect the flying lead to the alarm unit --- see typical connection diagram on page 15
4. Power up the unit and wait at least 30 secs while the sensor temperature stabilises.
During this time the Red & Green LEDs will both be on (not flashing)
If the unit has not been previously calibrated the Red & Green LEDs will begin to flash on/off at the end of the 30 sec start up time delay but the audible alarm will not sound.
If the alarm has been calibrated it will go into normal operation.

5. Calibration :-

Alarm Point Capture (Factory default)

- a. Open the Sash to the normal operating height and adjust the face velocity to the Low Air alarm value using a calibrated instrument to check the value.
- b. Press and hold the Enter button for 5 secs to go into the Calibration mode. This is indicated by both Red and Green LEDs flashing on/off together with the audible alarm sounding ('Beep' on/off 4 times every 1 sec).
- c. To initiate the alarm point calibration press and hold the ENTER and the SET button at the same time. The unit will then sample the airflow for a 5 sec period during which time the Green LED goes off and the Red LED flashes on/off. The audible alarm continues to sound during this period and if the sampling is successful will give a two tone beep at the end of the period and the unit will then go automatically into the Run mode.
If the buttons are released during the sampling period or if the airflow is fluctuating more than the pre-set value the audible alarm will give a lower frequency buzzing sound for a short period and then go back into the calibration mode. If this occurs re-press the ENTER and SET buttons to repeat the airflow sampling.

- d. When complete re-set the airflow to the normal value and the unit will go to the Normal running condition with the Green LED on.

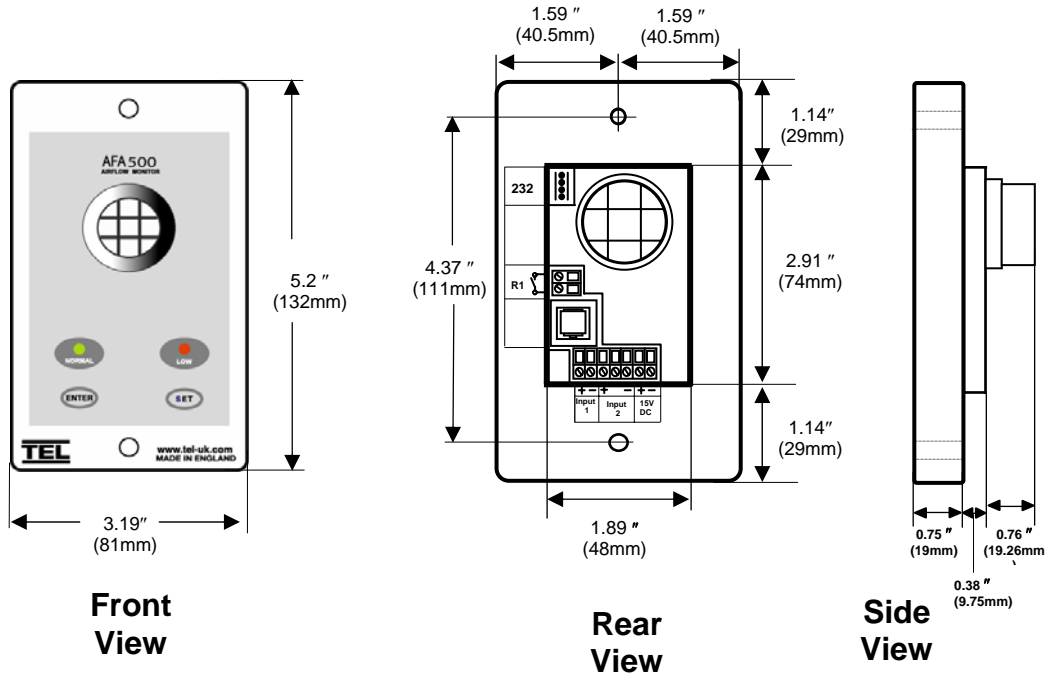
The unit will now function and go into the ALARM condition if the Fume Hood face velocity falls below the alarm value.

7.1 Calibration Notes :-

1. Using the Alarm Point Capture method it is necessary to adjust the face velocity on the fume hood using a mechanical damper (or fan speed control if available) to the desired alarm point and this is sampled by the unit. It is then necessary to re-adjust the face velocity back to the normal operating value. This method produces a very accurate alarm point at a fixed value but involves getting access to the ductwork or fan speed controller
2. The face velocity readings on the open sash may vary at different points on the measuring grid by up to 20 fpm. This is quite acceptable in terms of the fume cupboard performance so long as no individual point is below the designated Low Air alarm point .The figure entered for the calibration point can be taken as the average value of all the measuring grid readings or could be taken as the individual lowest point on the grid. For most fume hoods this low point is on the bottom row in the centre and is a convenient position to measure and for future reference when checking the alarm during annual maintenance.
3. Take time when measuring the face velocities for the calibration procedure to allow for the velocities across the open sash to stabilise. If the velocities are changing or are turbulent during the sampling period the alarm will detect this and give a low frequency buzz at the end of the sample indicating that the sample must be repeated.

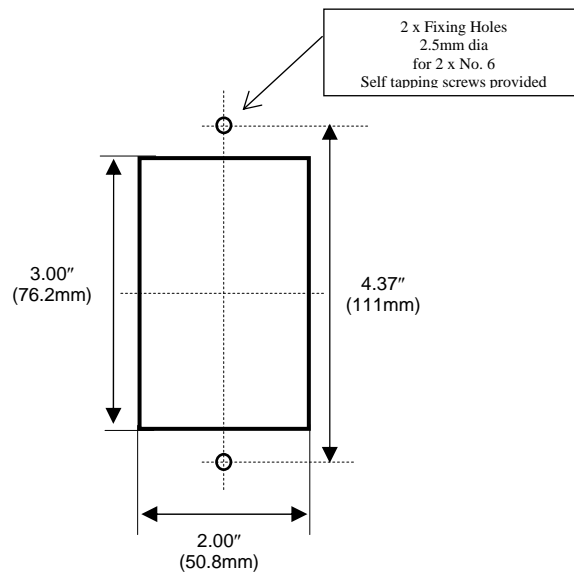
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Alarm Panel Dimensions



Panel Cutout Dimensions

3" x 2"



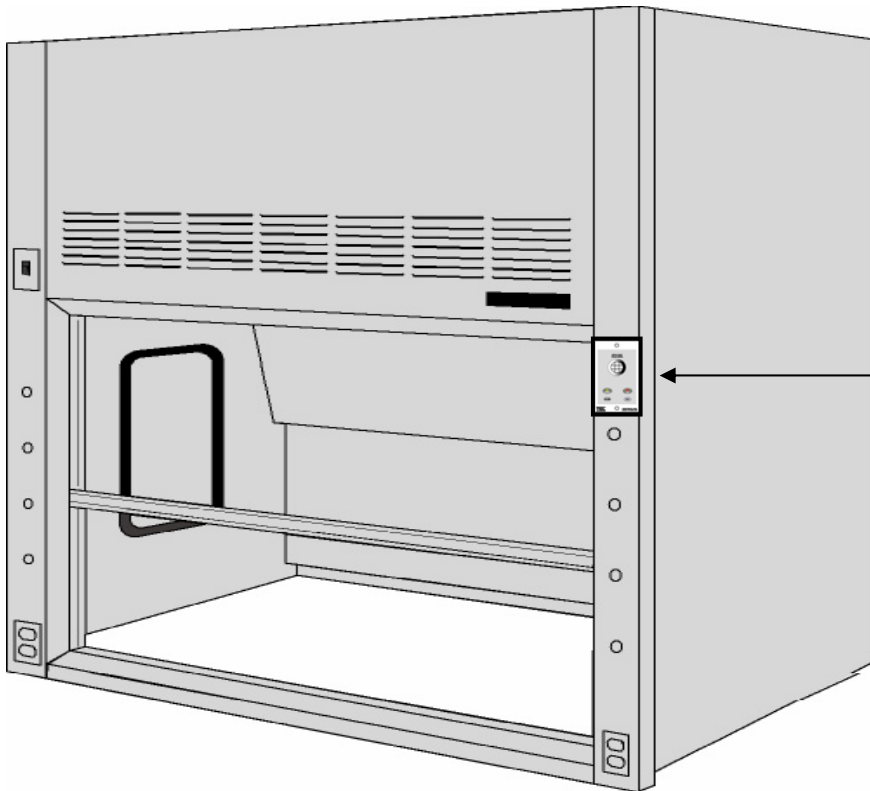
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9.0 Airflow Alarm Installation



**Concept or Pioneer
Fume Hood**

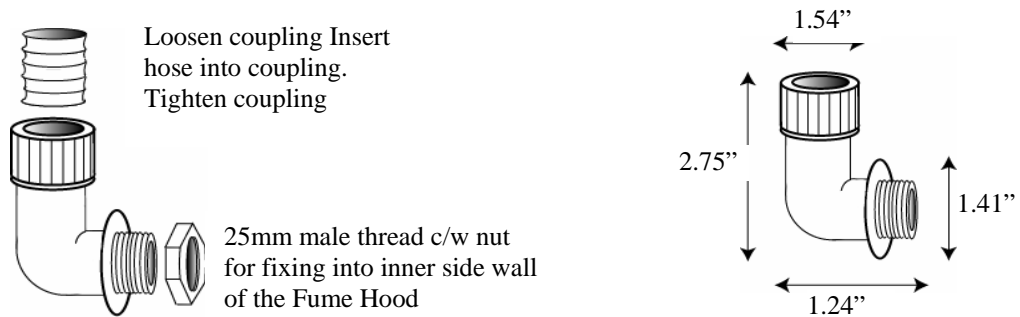
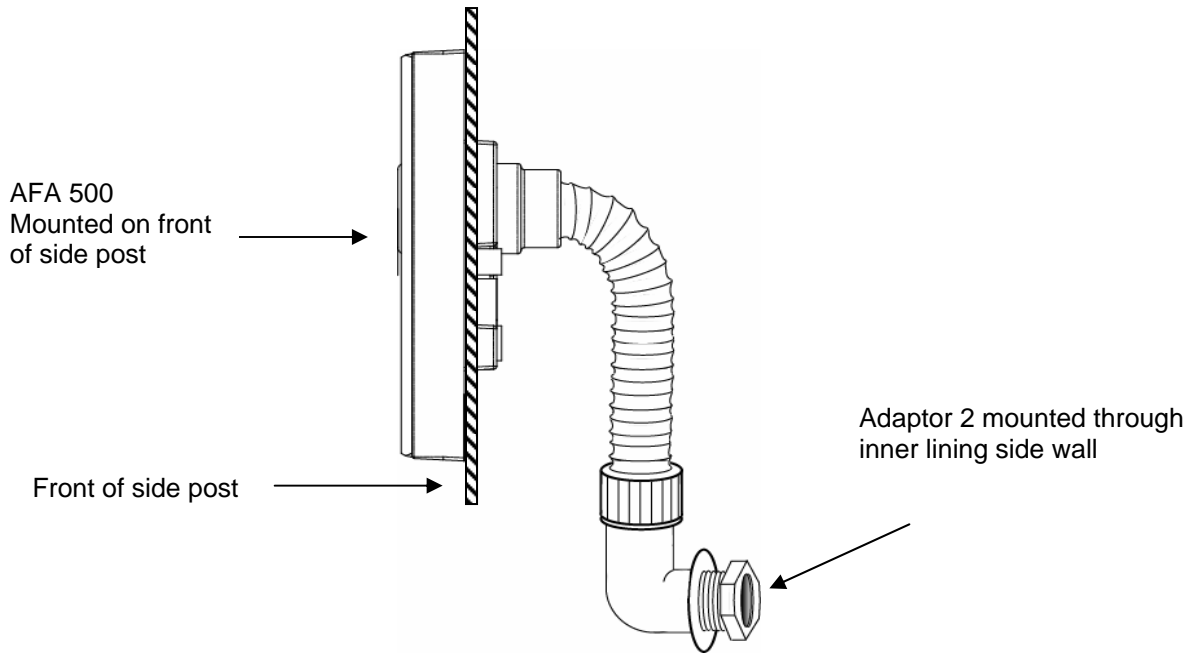
Airflow Alarm



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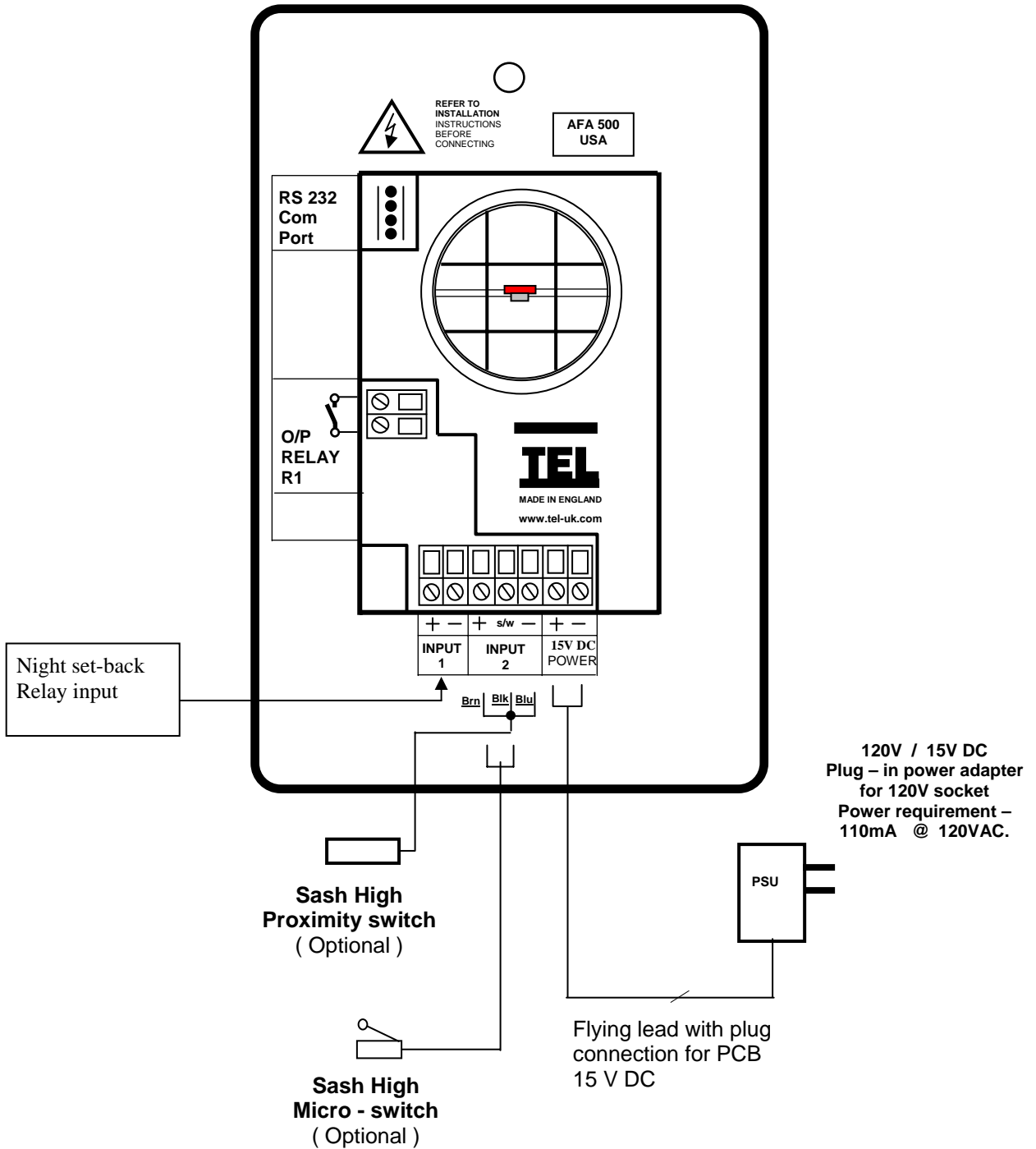
It is very important to position the AFA 500 in the correct position to give long term stable reading of the face velocity. Please read the **INSTALLATION NOTES** below and if in doubt contact us for further advice.

INSTALLATION NOTES :-

1. The AFA 500 must be positioned where it can " see " the room pressure of the laboratory. The back connection spigot of the sensor is designed to accept a 25mm (1") OD tube which should be connected to the inner chamber of the fume hood. (This tube and fittings is known as the " vent kit ") The **ideal position** for the end of the 25mm (1") tube for most fume hoods is 6" back from the sash glass and 2" higher than the maximum sash opening height through the inner side wall.
2. If possible mount the sensor on the front of the fume hood and use a short length of tube. Tube lengths of more than 30" or smaller diameter will restrict the airflow through the sensor. This will lead to too much sensitivity being required to calibrate the unit which can lead to some instability of the reading or incorrect readings at low velocities.
4. The sensor should not be mounted in a position were it is subject to drafts from the laboratory air input or ventilation system.

10.0 Typical Wiring Diagram

Standard Alarm with built-in Airflow Sensor



11.0 Spare Parts List

Item	Description	Part Number
AFA500	AFA500/Mk3/FH/USPSU	62198
Inner wall Sensor Tube adaptor	Vent kit	EVK / Gland
Flexible tube	Flexible tube 12"	Adaptorflex 12ins
Power supply	USA power supply	USAPSU
Com Port Cable	RS232 serial cable	RS232 / 2M
Fixing screws	Black fixing screws	2 x No. 6 Blk screws

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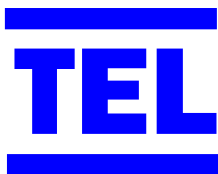
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