LI23 Series Quick Start
WELCOME TO THE LI23 QUICK START

The LI23 Quick Start is meant to show some of the more common setup solutions to getting the LI23 up and running quickly. If you run into an issue that is not addressed here or wish to install or set up with a non-standard configuration, please address the LI23 Manual or refer to the Flowline website at flowline.com.

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Thank you for purchasing Loop-Powered Meter (LI23). The LI23 Series is a multipurpose, easy to use digital process meter ideal for level, flow rate, temperature, or pressure transmitter applications. It accepts current signal (e.g. 4-20 mA) and has four (4) front panel buttons that can be programmed for specific operation.

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INSTALLING THE LOOP-POWERED METER

When unpacking the Loop-Powered Meter, thoroughly inspect the unit for any damage that may have occurred during shipping. Be sure to report any damage, as well as any missing parts or malfunctions to your supplier or Flowline.

MOUNTING THE PANEL

When mounting the panel, first prepare a standard 1/8 DIN panel cutout – 3.622" x 1.772" (92 mm x 45 mm), as shown in the following diagram.

Allow at least 4.0" (102 mm) clearance behind the panel for wiring.

Be sure to maintain a minimum panel thickness of 0.04" - 0.25" (1.0 mm - 6.4 mm) to maintain type 4X rating. This would equal 0.06" (1.5 mm) for a steel panel and 0.16" (4.1 mm) for a plastic panel.

Remove the Loop-Powered Meter's two mounting brackets. Back-off the two screws so that there is ¼" (6.4 mm) or less through the bracket. Slide the bracket toward the front of the case and remove it.

Insert the Loop-Powered Meter into the panel cutout.

Install the mounting brackets and tighten the screws against the panel. To achieve a proper seal, tighten the mounting bracket screws evenly until Loop-Powered Meter fits snug against the panel along its short side. DO NOT OVER TIGHTEN or the rear of the panel may be damaged.
CONNECTIONS
Signal connections are made via a removal, six-terminal connector. The terminal is marked **Signal**.

![Signal Connections Diagram](image)

**Signal Connections**
Signal connections are made via the six-terminal connector on the LI23 back panel. The loop-powered backlight is an optional configuration and requires a total maximum voltage drop of 4.5 V. The backlight is recommended for dim lighting conditions and is enabled when wired as shown in the following diagram.

The backlight may be bypassed if installed in bright lighting conditions to reduce the maximum voltage drop to 1.5 V as shown in the following diagram.

**THE LOOP-POWERED METER INTERFACE**
The Loop-Powered Meter is factory calibrated to read in milliamps prior to shipment.

**Overview**
- There are no jumpers to set for the meter input selection.
- All setup and programming is performed through the front panel interface.
- After power and input signal connections have been completed and verified, apply power to the meter.
FRONT PANEL OPERATION

Display
The display shows the units for the level or volume of the tank. It also displays the unit of measurement for the application. A graphical representation of the percent full is displayed along the side of the screen.

Buttons
Down the right side of the LI23 series front panel are four buttons. It is through these buttons that you will set up and configure the Loop-Powered Meter. These buttons are explained as follows:

- **Menu.** Use this button to enter or exit the Programming Mode at any time.
- **Right Arrow/F1.** Use this button to move to scroll forward through the menus, select digits during numeric programming, select characters during text programming or decrement the value of a digit or character selected with the Up-Arrow.
- **Up Arrow/F2.** Use this button to scroll backwards through the menus or to increment the value of a digit or character.
- **ENTER/F3.** Use this button to access a menu or to accept a setting or programmed digit/character value.

PROGRAMMING THE LOOP-POWERED METER

To enter the LI23 series Programming menu, press the **MENU** button. With the **UP** arrow or **RIGHT** arrow, you can scroll through four menu options: Input, Output, Advanced and Display

- **Input** This selects the units of operation as well as scaling the display to the application required span.
- **Output** This configures the outputs of the LI23 series. Depending on which version selected, not all of these options are available. Outputs are open collectors, relays, 4-20mA repeater and control functions. Please refer to the LI23 series Manual for further information.
- **Advanced** This allows for all advanced features of the LI23 series to be configured. Please refer to the LI23 series Manual for further information.
- **Display** This configures all features associated with the display. Features include units, decimal point, comma, bar graph, top display and bottom display. Please refer to the LI23 series Manual for further information.
QUICK SETUP AND PROGRAMMING

This section will take you through the key steps in setting up and programming the Loop-Powered Meter:

A. Confirm the Operational Scale for the Application
B. Select the Decimal Point location
C. Select the Units of Operation
D. SCALE the 4-20mA Input
E. Adjust the Bar Graph

SETTING NUMERIC VALUES

The numeric values are set using the RIGHT Arrow and UP Arrow buttons. Press RIGHT Arrow to select next digit and UP Arrow to increment digit value. The selected digit will flash.

Press and hold UP Arrow to auto-increment the display value. If you have made a mistake or would like to enter a new value, select the left-most digit and press and hold the RIGHT Arrow button until all digits reset to zero.

Press the ENTER button at any time to accept a setting or MENU button to exit without saving changes.

Note: the underscore in the graphic below is provided to show which digit would be flashing.

A. Confirm the Operation Scale for the Application

Typically, the LI23 series must match the operational span of the transmitter mounted on top of or inside the tank. The operational span is the 4-20mA span of the transmitter. Ideally, the transmitter will locate 4mA at the bottom of the tank and the 20mA will be at some known level near the top of the tank (see below). When using Flowline level transmitters, the Sensor Height setting will place 4mA at the bottom or Zero level. The 20mA will be the Fill-Height setting.

Confirm what number you want the LI23 series to display when the tank is empty (4mA) and when the tank is full (20mA).
B. Select the Decimal Points Location
The decimal point may be set to as many as five decimal places. Use the Decimal Point feature to position the decimal point for all values displayed. Placement of the Decimal Point can influence the displayed output of your process. For example, setting a scale of 0 to 100% can be show in three different methods:

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When selecting a decimal point, take into account the practical scale for reading the level of liquid.

To set the Decimal Point:
1) Press the **MENU** button to bring up the SETUP/Input screen.
2) Press **Up Arrow** button to bring up SETUP /Display screen.
3) Press **ENTER** button to bring up DSPLAY/Units screen.
4) Press **Right Arrow** to bring up DSPLAY/decpt screen.
5) Press **ENTER** to bring up DECPT/XX.XXX.XX screen.
6) Use the **Right Arrow** or **Up Arrow** to change the location of the decimal point. The location of the decimal point can be seen on the bottom display. Note: typical applications will set the decimal point to the 0, 1 or 2 location.
7) Press **ENTER** button to save your selection.
8) Press **MENU** button twice to return to Main Screen.
C. Select the Units of Operation

The LI23 series can show various engineering units in groups such as Volume, Height, Temperature, Pressure, Weight, Rate or Custom. This quick start will focus on Volume and Height. The other units will be covered in the product manual.

Volume can be display in Gallons, Liters, Imperial Gallons, Cubic Meters, etc. Height can be displayed in inches, feet, cm, meter, etc. Please determine the units of operation that you want to appear on the display.

To set the Units of Operation:
1) Press MENU button to bring up the SETUP/Input screen.
2) Press ENTER button to bring up SCALE/Units screen.
3) Press ENTER to bring up SCALE/Height screen.
4) Use the Right Arrow or Up Arrow to change the groups between HEIGHT and VOLUME.
5) Press ENTER button to select your group.
6) Use the Right Arrow or Up Arrow to change the engineering units to your required units of operation.
7) Press ENTER button to save your selection.
8) Press MENU button twice to return to Main Screen.
D. SCALE THE 4-20MA INPUT

The 4-20 mA input can be scaled to the appropriate values for a given application. The 4-mA input (input 1) should have a corresponding display value (display 1) which represents the low end of the process value range being measured by the transmitter. Likewise, the 20-mA input (input 2) should have a display value (display 2) which represents the high end of the process value range.

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<td>Typically 20.000 mA</td>
<td>Value of tank at Full</td>
<td>20.000</td>
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For example: If the meter is used to display the level of a 100 ft tall tank, the transmitter should send a 4 mA signal when the tank is empty and a 20-mA signal when the tank is full. The meter should be programmed to interpret these inputs on a display range of 0-100, so that at 4-mA the meter will display 0 and at 20-mA the meter will display 100.

A signal source is not needed to scale the meter; simply program the inputs and corresponding display value.

![Diagram of tank levels]

In the examples above, the 4 mA/Empty reading could represent 0 Gallons, 0 Feet, 0 Inches or 0.0%. The 20 mA/Full reading could represent 5,000 Gallons, 10.00 Feet, 120.0 Inches or 100.0%. Setting 4mA for an empty tank and 20 mA for a full tank simplifies configuration.

To set the SCALE function:
1) Press MENU button to bring up the SETUP/Input screen.
2) Press ENTER button to bring up SCALE/Units screen.
3) Press Right Arrow button to bring up SCALE/Input_1 screen.
4) Press ENTER button to bring up INP 1/04.000 screen.
   a. This is the default of 04.000mA and does not need to be changed.
   b. If the value needs to changed, use the UP Arrow to incrementally increase the selected digit and the Right Arrow to move to the next digit.
5) Press ENTER to save the Input 1 setting and to bring up SCALE/Disp_1 screen.
6) Press ENTER to bring up DSP_1/00000000 screen.
   a. The default is 00000000 and typically does not need to be changed.
   b. If the value needs to changed, use the UP Arrow to incrementally increase the selected digit and the Right Arrow to move to the next digit.
7) Press ENTER to save the Display 1 setting and to bring up SCALE/Input_2 screen.
8) Press ENTER to bring up INP_2/20000 screen.
   a. This is the default of 20.000mA and does not need to be changed.
b. If the value needs to be changed, use the **UP Arrow** to incrementally increase the selected digit and the **Right Arrow** to move to the next digit.

9) Press **ENTER** to save the Input 2 setting and to bring up SCALE/DISP_2 screen.

10) Press **ENTER** to bring up DSP_2/00100.00 screen.
   a. The default is 00100.00 and typically be the value you want to display when the tank is full.
   b. To change the value, use the **UP Arrow** to incrementally increase the selected digit and the **Right Arrow** to move to the next digit.
   c. If you are reading the height of the liquid, this value will typically be the same value as the Fill-Height setting in the Flowline transmitter.
   d. If you

11) Press **ENTER** to save the Display 2 setting and to bring up SAVE? screen.

12) Press **ENTER** to save all the settings and to bring up SETUP/INPUT screen.

13) Press the **MENU** button to return to the main screen.
E. Adjust the Bar Graph

The LI23 series can show various engineering units in groups such as Volume, Height, Temperature, Pressure, Weight, Rate or Custom. This quick start will focus on Volume and Height. The other units will be covered in the product manual.

The LI23 Series comes equipped with a bar graph display for applications where a visual representation of the process variable's percentage of full scale is desirable. This feature can be enabled or disabled using the Bargraph menu (BARGRAPH). The value displayed on the bar graph can be the percentage of full scale (PV PCT) or the percentage of a user-programmable range (PV).

To set the Bar Graph:

1) Press the MENU button to bring up the SETUP/Input screen.
2) Press Up Arrow button to bring up SETUP /Display screen.
3) Press UP Arrow or RIGHT Arrow button three (3) times to bring up DSPLAY/Bargraph screen.
4) Press ENTER to bring up GRAPH/PV PCT screen.
5) Use the Right Arrow or Up Arrow to change the setting to either PV, PV PCT or OFF.
6) Press ENTER button to save your selection.
7) Press MENU button twice to return to Main Screen.
SAFETY CONCERN

Where personal safety or significant property damage can occur due to a spill, the installation must have a redundant backup safety system installed.

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