Instruction Manual -
Series T17CA4000 CHLORALERT™
Chlorine Gas Leak Detector
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USE ONLY IN ACCORDANCE WITH INSTRUCTION MANUAL
WARNING: HAZARDOUS VOLTAGES.
The instructions given herein cover generally the description, installation, operation and maintenance of subject equipment.

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Carefully inspect each item and if damage has occurred report it immediately.

Do not install any equipment if damage is such that faulty operation is likely to result.

If plant engineering drawing are available at the installation site, locate, mount, pipe and wire the subject equipment in accordance with these drawings.

If plant engineering drawings are not available, refer to the Installation section for information concerning these requirements.

Carefully inspect all packing material before discarding it to prevent loss of mounting hardware, accessories, spare parts or instructions.

All instructions given on any attached tag should be followed.

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**WARNING**

To assure safe operation this equipment carefully follow use and installation instructions and recommendations illustrated in this Manual. Improper use of the equipment may damage the equipment and endanger the safety of the operating personnel.
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1 INTRODUCTION

1.1 General Description

The Severn Trent Water Purification chlorine gas leak detector, CHLORALERT T17CA4000, continually monitors air samples for the presence of chlorine. It is usually installed in chlorine usage and storage areas to protect personnel and equipment.

A small internal air blower continually draws a sample of air into the Chloralert. The flowmeter and valve enable a fixed amount of air to be passed over the surface of the special electrolyte, where the chemical reaction takes place in presence of chlorine. Two platinum electrodes, half immersed in the electrolyte, pick up the electrochemical current thus generated which is measured by the electronic circuit and used to trigger an alarm system.

The trip point may be factory set to 1 or 3 ppm chlorine in air by volume. The power on/alarm lamp commences flashing in the alarm condition.

In the Model T17CA4100, a relay is also energized to enable external alarms, extractor fans etc. to be activated. The alarm condition is generated, in addition to the presence of chlorine in air, also by power failures, when the power is returned to the system.

In the Model T17CA4200, a relay is also de-energized to enable external alarms, extractor fans etc. to be activated. The electrical circuits are designed such that power supply failure causes the alarm relay to go into the alarm state.

A flow sensor detects when there is no sample flow and causes the alarm relay to go into the alarm state. The sample fan is stopped when the alarm condition is actuated, to prevent saturation of electrolyte with chlorine and contaminated air to be discharged in safe area through the Chloralert itself.

The unit has an integral electrical test facility.

The alarm needs operator's acknowledgment to be reset.

Figure 1 - CHLORALERT Internal View
## 2 TECHNICAL SPECIFICATIONS

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Figure 2 - Mounting and Outline Dimensions in inches (mm)
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#### 3.1 Standard accessories

1 kit P/N 614S071U0l including:
- 1 electrolyte bottle
- 1 spare float
- 1 set of spare O-Ring
- 1 insect screen
4 INSTALLATION

4.1 Location

The Chloralert should ideally be mounted outside the area to be monitored. However, it can be mounted in the contaminated area if it is considered absolutely necessary. The location should be such that the ambient temperature never falls below -20 °C (-4°F) nor rises above 65 °C (149°F).

It should never be mounted in direct sunlight and should be protected from the weather if mounted outside.

4.2 Mounting

Securely mount the Chloralert at a convenient working height (approx. 1.3 - 1.5 m from the floor).

4.3 Sampling line

As the Chlorine weight is higher than the air, we recommend that the sample inlet point is located at about 200 mm (8") from the floor. Use of frigid or flexible 1" PVC tubing is recommended. It is recommended to install the proper insect screen (supplied) at the terminal point of the sample line to avoid dust suction.

Warning: Never use tubes with a diameter lower than 1" when the sample pipe length exceeds 4 m

Figure 3 - Typical Installation
4.4 Electrical wiring

Cable gland on the Chloralert will accept a cable of diameter between 5 to 10 mm. Refer to the following drawings to connect the power supply and the external signals to the Chloralert.

**Figure 4 - Electrical Wiring**

MODEL T17CA4200

MODEL T17CA4100
5 START-UP, OPERATION AND MAINTENANCE

5.1 Electrolyte filling at start up

Refer to figure 5.
Switch off power supply or unplug instrument.
Remove cover rising it.
Disconnect cell cable from terminal block noting carefully position of each cable.
Disconnect exhaust tubing from the cell.
Unscrew the four retaining screws and drop bottom half of cell from the upper for filling.
The electrolyte bottle contains a dropper. Fill dropper stem to mark 1ml- Carefully transfer electrolyte from
dropper to cell, taking care not to allow it to touch the top surface of the cell.
Remove any electrolyte on this surface with a tissue then reassemble cell together taking care not to
tilt the bottom half too much.
Reassemble exhaust tubing, reconnect the cell cable, replace lid and finally reconnect supply cable and
switch on.
Hold RESET switch down until alarm lamp ceases to flash then wait further 5-10 sec. before releasing
switch (this operation can take up to 3 minutes.)
The unit is now in operation.

5.2 Electrolyte renewal after operation

Approximately once a year or as necessary the electrolyte should be renewed.
Proceed as for stare up but wash the electrolyte thoroughly from the cell with water and gently clean the
electrode faces with a non abrasive chlorine-free cleaner.
Again thoroughly wash cell with water, dry with a clean tissue and refill with electrolyte as described
under Section 5.1.

5.3 Sample flow rate

At start up set the sample flow so that the flow indicator sits between the two graduation marks on the
flowmeter tube.
The flow may be adjusted by inserting a broad bladed screwdriver in the rate valve and gently twisting
until the float is properly positioned.
This should be done with the air control knob in the wide open position.
If the required cell flow cannot be obtained, the air control knob should be gradually closed, until the
adjustment of the float position is possible.
The position of the float in the flowmeter tube should be checked from day to day (during the first week)
and adjusted if necessary.

5.4 Gas test

Verify the instrument operation in presence of chlorine gas after the start up.
The test suggested hereafter is only qualitative and can be performed using solutions commonly
available such as bleach and vinegar.
Mix 6 parts of bleach and one part of vinegar in a beaker.
Place the beaker under the sampling fan. The alarm LED should start flashing and any remote device
connected to the alarm relay should be actuated.
The alarm is reset by pressing RESET switch till the alarm LED stops flashing (this operation may
require up to 3 minutes).
5.5 Circuit performance check

Simultaneously press and hold down both TEST and RESET switches. The alarm LED must change from the steady condition to flashing and the sampling fan stays activated.

This checks that the electronic circuits are operating properly.

If it is desired to check external circuits the RESET switch must be released: any remote device connected to the relay will be actuated.

If it is required that external devices are not actuated during this test, release the TEST switch first wait for the LED to assume a steady state, (this operation may require up to 3 minutes), then release the RESET switch.
6 MAINTENANCE PROCEDURES

Note: disconnect power supply before removing the instrument cover.

6.1 Measuring cell maintenance
Refer to Section 5.1 and 5.2 of this manual.

6.2 Flowmeter

6.2.1 For Model T17CA4100
Clean tube and float whenever dirt has accumulated causing malfunction.
Using a screwdriver loosen and slide the top tube retainer ring towards the enter of the tube.
Remove tube by pulling forward.

WARNING
TAKE CARE NOT TO LOSE THE O-RING AND THE FLOATS!

Clean all parts in mild detergent, rinse and wipe dry using clean tissue paper.
To reassemble, place the tube retainer ring over the tube, replace the O-Ring, drop the float in the tube and re-position tube between inlet and outlet connections.
Gently slide the tube retainer ring back into position, making sure it is properly located by carefully rotating (red mark on the tube should be on the front side).

6.2.2 For Model T17CA4200
Clean tube and float whenever dirt has accumulated causing malfunction.
Remove the plastic flow tube retainer by unclipping from the flow tube.
Using a screwdriver loosen and slide the top tube retainer ring towards the enter of the tube, also lift the optical sensor housing towards the center of the tube.
Remove tube by pulling forward.

WARNING
TAKE CARE NOT TO LOSE THE O-RING AND THE FLOATS!

Clean all parts in mild detergent, rinse and wipe dry using clean tissue paper.
To reassemble, place the tube retainer ring and optical sensor over the tube, replace the O-Ring, drop the float in the tube and re-position tube between inlet and outlet connections.
Gently slide the tube retainer ring and sensor housing back into position, making sure they are properly located by carefully rotating (red mark on the tube should be on the front side).

6.3 Electronic circuit board
It is recommended that in the event of failure of the electronic board a replacement is fitted and the faulty board is returned to factory for repair.

6.4 Optical sensor (Only for Mod. T17CA4200)
The flow sensor is housed in a heat shrunk sleeve. For this reason it is recommended that the faulty unit is replaced with a spare item.
7 CE DECLARATION

Chlorine Gas Leak Detector Model T17CA4000 is in conformity with the following standards:

- **EN 56681-2** (Generic emission standard, industrial environment)
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Following the provisions of directives:
“Electromagnetic compatibility 89/336/CEE, modified by directive 92/31/CEE”. 
Design improvements may be made without notice.

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