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R175X Series of Large Displays Scaleable Ratemeters

NPN, PNP, Contact Closure, TTL, CMOS logic Inputs Including Sensor Excitation and RS485 Data Output



User's Manual

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THE RATEMETER MODEL - R175X

INTRODUCTION

The R175X is one member of a broad family of Large Displays. The family is the '1700 Series', and the part number tells you a little about the display's function.....



This model is intended for large measurement display use. It accepts the most commonly encountered proximity sensors, of NPN or PNP type, contact closures, TTL and CMOS logic levels.

The incoming signal can be measured over a choice of gate times, and the readings can be averaged over a number of gate periods, givin very long effective average measurements. This allows the rate over an 8 hour shift to be accurately shown, for example, though the display is similarly well suited to displaying powerline frequency.

If specifically ordered , we can supply the displays with a silk screened legend identifying the measurement being displayed, for example, *units/hour, bottles/shift* etc..

An optional RS485 output is available, useful for feeding remote mimic displays. If you require serial input only, and do not require analogue input, a simpler, model is available, S17XX series. The serial input models can have 5 or 7 digits.

The configuration settings and calibration constants of the display are stored in non-volatile E²PROM memory, which is retained for at least 10 years. Change to the settings is achieved by way of remote contact closure inputs, allowing alteration of the unit's configuration menu, calibration and brightness.

The case is sealed to IP65, and the lens is 4mm thick polycarbonate, making it ideal for use in food industry washdown applications.

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Check List :

Handbook

Display

Mounting kit (where appropriate)

Programming Unit (If Ordered)

In the event of damage, please contact the carrier and advise our sales office of the fault.

Please retain the carton packing material, for future possible use.

2.0 GENERAL INFORMATION

This handbook covers the Ratemeter model of the 1700 series large displays.

The 1700 series is a family of units for broadcasting process values and data on easy to read large 7 segment displays. Character heights of 2", 4" or 6" are standard, and, dependent on type, displays are 5 or 7 digit. Extra-large and Daylight viewing displays are available to special order.

The enclosures for the displays are of welded UPVC material with tough lenses, providing certified protection to IP65/66 for the internal electronics. Thermostatic heater options may be installed for outdoor mounting in cold climates.

Case colours are white or black.

The units incorporate a 95 to 265VAC power supply (Which can be used on DC in the range 100 to 300 VDC) for operation off any mains source without the need to re-configure.

Display brightness is settable to 4 levels to accommodate differing ambient light conditions and the 3 standard character heights provide a choice of viewing distances of up to 20, 40 and 60 metres. Other character heights and brightnesses are available to special order.

The large displays are based around a common power and control card which is linked to display units of different sizes.

Instrument behaviour is set by way of remote contact closure pushbuttons, which provide access to and alteration of the instrument's menu, and the settings are stored in 10 year non-volatile memory.

2.1 GENERAL SPECIFICATIONS

Display type	Scaleable rate/frequency meter, adjustable averaging and resolution
Signal inputs	Contact closure, NPN, PNP, 5V TTL/CMOS, 24VDC Debounce jumpers available, limiting inputs to <10Hz. Max I/P rate without debounce = 10Khz.
Input Resistances:	2200 Ohms if internal pull-up/down enabled. Otherwise 10M
Excitation Supply:	Nominally 13VDC at 60mA max.
Accuracy:	0.01% of range, 20ppm/°C Quartz Crystal controlled
Scaling	Scale fully adjustable remotely. Decimal point position selectable
Optional Signal Output	RS485 at 300, 1200, 2400 or 9600 Baud
Data format	Serial ASCII at 300,1200,2400 or 9600 baud; 1 start bit, 8data (or 7 data plus parity) and 1 or more stop bits.
Handshake	No handshake, unit always transmits data
Case material:	UPVC, White or Black
Case size:(mm WxH)	5 digit 7 digit 2" 288x120 384x120 4" 480x168 672x168 6" 624x192 864x192
Case depth :	90mm (115 mm including rear cable/glands)
Weight :	5 digit 7 digit 2" 2.5Kg 3Kg 4" 4.5Kg 5Kg 6" 5.0Kg 6Kg
Display type: 2" digit height 4" digit height 6" digit height 5	High efficiency red LED 57mm high 7 segment display tiles Ultrabright red LED 102mm high 7 segment display tiles 44mm high characters formed from twinned individual 5mm round red LEDs

Daylight viewing versions, whether 2", 4" or 6" are made up of individual 5mm round lensed LED's

Power supply :	95-264VAC, 100 to 300 VDC, Via Rectifier, non-specific polarity
Power consumption :	20W typ. without thermostatic heater.

3.0 INTERNAL CABLES

The units are supplied with approximately 2 metres of free ended cable for mains, signal and serial ports. You may connect your own cable to this, via a junction box, or completely remove the supplied cable and install your own.

REMEMBER The signals you will be feeding to the displays are quite small in comparison to some of the undesirable 'noise' generated by certain types of common electrical equipment. To obtain the highest degree of accuracy and reliability from your indication equipment, we strongly suggest that you....

DO NOT run signal cables adjacent to power/switching lines or near equipment liable to generate large amounts of electrical noise, such as contactors, solenoids, fluorescent tubes, discharge lamps, motor control equipment, etc.

Do use screened, twisted-pair extension cable to minimise the amount of noise being fed into the display.

WARNING: RISK OF LETHAL ELECTRICAL SHOCK

YOU MAY NEED TO OPEN THE CASE TO ALTER JUMPER POSITIONS OR TO PANEL MOUNT THE DISPLAY. BEFORE COMMENCING TO OPEN THE CASE YOU **MUST ENSURE** THAT POWER HAS BEEN **DISCONNECTED**, AND MUST ENSURE THAT POWER CAN IN NO CIRCUMSTANCES BE RE-APPLIED TO THE DEVICE WHILST THE CASE IS OPEN.

3.1 SIGNAL CABLES

The signal and data connectors are at the left hand end of the power and control card. They are connected to extension cables, which are accessible from the rear of the display.

Do not earth the screen or braid of the input, data output or programmer cable outside the display, as it is already internally earthed to the 'screen' terminal.

Top Connector P1	O O	1=Screen 2=Common 3=Input A 4=Input B 5=+Excitation	Braid Blue Red Green Yellow
Middle Connector P3	$ \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 1 & 2 & 3 & 4 & 5 \end{bmatrix} Remote Programmer $	1=Screen 2=Common 3=Select 4=Increment 5=Menu	Braid Red Green Blue Yellow
Bottom ConnectorP2	O O O OOptional Serial1234Data O/P	1=Screen 2=Common 3=Data B 4=Data A	Braid Yellow Green Blue

The unit incorporates a switching power supply to enable the unit to operate over the full 95 to -65 Volts range.

The mains lead must be of 3 core construction, with the earth wire bonded to a good earth.





4.1 PULSE INPUT SELECTION

If, when ordering your display you specified the input type required, this will have been set for you prior to despatch, and should be noted on the label on the rear of the display. If you **did not specify** the input type, this will be the *factory default of NPN/Contact closure*. You can re-configure the meter, by making internal jumper alterations, to accept PNP, 24VDC, TTL etc.

4.1.1 JUMPER FUNCTIONS AND POSITIONS



SIGNAL, DATA AND CONTACT CLOSURE CONNECTIONS

4.2 **Typical Input Connections**

The most common input sensor types are shown below, with a wiring guide, to assist you in the installation of your totaliser. Only one input is shown, as they both have identical input circuitry. Because the pullup resistors are not independent (both inputs will be pulled up or down), you should choose sensors which require the same pullup format, if using both inputs. In other words, do not use a PNP sensor for one input and an NPN sensor for the other. You could , however, have a NPN sensor for one input and a contact closure for the other.



4.3 **RS485 Data Output option (Factory installed only):**

The Serial Data O/P cable allows you to feed the measured reading to serial input slave displays, such as our S17XX series, or small 1/8 DIN SER-06 models, for remote indication purposes.

The output is continuous, with a new string transmitted at roughly 1 second intervals. The format is the reading itself, including decimal point character, in ASCII, terminated by a Carriage Return. The data format is 1 start bit, 8 data bits and 1 stop bit. The Baud rate is selectable, and is determined by the fourth character of the Configuration Number. Extension cable should be screened, high quality data cable, and should be routed away from sources of electrical noise such as motors, power cables, inductive devices, discharge lighting circuits etc. **Do not** earth the screen of the data cable, however, as it is already connected to internal earth on the display itself.

Up to 32 slaves having RS485 inputs can be driven from the output port.

4.5 **PROGRAMMING YOUR DISPLAY**

The Ratemeter offers useful flexibility in scaling and display presentation, and all parameters are adjusted by using the three contact closure programming pushbuttons.

It is worth spending a little time familiarising yourself with the menu and the programming technique before carrying out a full calibration. The menu structure is described below, and is followed by a flow diagram to add clarity.

The flow diagram uses pictures of our Remote Programmer, consisting of three pushbuttons, arranged as follows....

If you make up your own programmer, please be sure to use good quality pushswitches, and lay them out in the same order as shown here.



Yellow	= Menu			
Green	= Select			
Blue	= Increment	 	ц <mark>о</mark>	do
Red	= Common	 Ť]



Allows you to enter the programming menu and step down all the variable options when in programming mode.



Allows you to select a digit within a variable, for alteration. The digit which can be altered flashes. Each time you press 'SELECT' the flashing digit moves one place to the right.



Allows you to increase the value of any flashing digit. Each press will increase the value by 1.

INCREMENT

4.6 **The Programming Menu**

As you enter the menu, prompts will appear on the display. Because they are formed with simple 7 segment displays, they do not appear to be familiar letter shapes, but are described in detail here.

SCALE This is the scale factor, which allows you to multiply or divide the input frequency (in Hz.) by a constant. To divide, use a constant less than 1. The decimal point position in the scale factor will determine the available display resolution, although the actual position of the decimal point in display mode is set in the **ZERO** figure, below.

ZEro This is the number of readings the display will use in its moving average calculations. If you set it to 5, for example, the next displayed value will be the average of the last 5 displayed values.

How often the display updates is determined by the Configuration number (see below), and you can choose between 3, 10 or 30 seconds.

So, let us assume you select a zero value of 3, and an update time of 30 seconds, the display will update every 30 seconds, and show the average rate over the preceding 90 seconds.

You can set the decimal point position on the display in the zero number, athough you should be aware that the decimal point is not influential in the zero number itself. So, a zero number of 000.05 will give 2 decimal places on the display, and the display will average over the last 5 readings ! The resolution in the span figure will need to match that of the decimal point position. So if you want to read the power line frequency in Hz. to 2 decimal places, showing the average of the last 20 readings, set Scale to 001.00 and zero to 000.20

CnFIg is the Configuration number. This determines the display update rate, sets output data baudrate, and determines the brightness setting. See below for Configuration number makeup......



BRIGHTNESS ADJUSTMENT: Using SELECT, move to the right hand digit of the CnFG number. Press SELECT once more, and the whole display will flash. now, each time you press INCREMENT the brightness will move to a new level. Press MENU when you have selected the desired brightness



4.8 Application Example

Below is a commonly encountered application, with details of suggested configurations, to aid in commissioning your ratemeter.

Please feel free to call our Application Engineering Department for assistance with your particular application, if you so wish, and we shall be pleased to help you.

A through-beam system is often the most effective method of sensing objects as they pass along a conveyor. The system relies on the containers breaking a light beam as they pass along the conveyor, and is quite insensitive to reflections, and does not rely on the surface colour or tint of the objects passing by.

The transmitter and receiver are powered by the totaliser's excitation supply, and the receiver provides and NPN or PNP output signal.

To operate reliably, the items on the conveyor must always be separated, to allow the beam to pass between them individually. If the items have transparent areas, such as bottles or jars, avoid passing the beam through the transparent area, as this can give false signals due to refractive effects.

Fit the debounce jumpers, if the throughput is less than 10 items a second, so that maximum immunity to electrical noise is available .

Use I/P B Control to freeze the sampling action during periods of down-time, such as lunch breaks etc, so that the display shows true working-time average rates of production. When enabled, the display will indicate the actual rate during the enabled period.

Remember to use screened cables for all signal lines, to avoid picking up noise from electrical machinery.

5.0 **INSTALLATION**

If possible position the display away from heat and direct sunlight on the display face. The displays should not be exposed to substances liable to damage uPVC, acrylic or glass.

If mounted outside, the display should be protected by a shroud to limit direct falls of rain, the cooling effect of which can give rise to the display sucking in moisture.

DO NOT remove the cables supplied with the indicator, as these contain essential filter components. You should extend cables with a junction box rather than remove and substitute cabling. Screening must be used on your cables.

REMEMBER The signals you will be feeding to the displays are quite small in comparison to some of the undesirable 'noise' generated by certain types of common electrical equipment. To obtain the highest degree of accuracy and reliability from your indication equipment, we strongly suggest that you....

DO use screened, twisted-pair cable to minimise the amount of noise being fed into the display.

DO NOT run signal cables adjacent to power/switching lines or near equipment liable to generate large amounts of electrical noise, such as contactors, solenoids, fluorescent tubes, discharge lamps, motor control equipment, etc. **DO NOT** earth the screens of signal, data or programmer cables, but **DO** earth the screen on mains cables.

5.1 **MOUNTING POSITIONS**

Case sizes are subject to change, so we recommend you refer to our datasheet at http://www.london-electronics.com/pdf/1700.pdf for latest details General specifications for the 1700 series

For the standard-stock single line displays:

	Case dimensions* Depth = 75mm + cables		Panel Cutout dimensions		
Digit Height	5 digit mm (Kg)	7 digit mm (Kg)	5 digit mm	7 digit mm	Sealing
57mm	291x142 (2.5)	387x142 (3.0)	293x144	389x144	IP65
102mm	483x179 (4.5)	674x179 (5.0)	485x181	676x179	IP65
144mm	642x181 (5.5)	883x181 (6.0)	644x183	883x183	IP65
200mm	824x237 (7.0)	1140x237 (8.0)	826x239	1142x239	IP65
280mm	1169x327(12.0)	1606x327(13.5)	1171x329	1608x329	IP65
400mm	1515x456(16.0)	2135x456(18.0)	1517x458	2137x458	IP65

Case Material : uPVC, welded. Gasket Material: Neoprene Sealing screws: Stainless Steel

* Panel mounting bezel (if requested) adds 18mm to width and height

Mounting methods : Wall, panel or suspension, mounting kit included in price, specify when ordering. Cowl extra.

Operating temperature : -10 to +50 degrees C

Storage temperature : -40 to +60 degrees C

Humidity :

: 57-144mm types 100% (IP65), 200-400mm types 0-95% non-condensing (IP54)

5.2 **PANEL MOUNTING**

Seals IP65 from the front, IP54 from behind. Mounts into a panel cutout.

5.3 WALL MOUNTING

A pair of swivel brackets, complete with fixing screws to the case, but excluding fixing screws to the wall.

5.4 SUSPENSION MOUNTING

A pair of swivel brackets, complete with fixing screws to the case, but excluding fixing screws to the support.

6.0 **TROUBLE SHOOTING AND MAINTENANCE**

The Large displays have been designed to provide a long trouble-free life and require no routine maintenance. An annual calibration check is recommended.

The front lens may be cleaned with a proprietary window cleaner, and the case may be hosed down, and cleaned with a cloth dampened with mild detergent. Surface scratching can be polished out with a mildly abrasive cleaner such as perspex cleaner.

The mains power supply is for 95 to 264 volts AC, so there is no risk of applying 240 volts to a 110 volt unit. Filtering is incorporated on the mains input, to prevent damage due to short spikes on the mains.

Damage will occur if the unit is subject to 415 volt mains application.

Check wiring prior to powering the units!

Technical helpline 01767 626444 Please make a note of full model number, serial number and configuration number before calling us. *Please also read the manual before calling*, and, if you find any part unclear, or do not find the information you need, let us know. That way we can improve future editions of the manual for you.

7.0 SAFETY CONSIDERATIONS

The 1700 series is protected in accordance with IEC Safety Class 1. The instruments are designed and tested in accordance with IEC publication 348, 'Safety Requirements for Electronic measuring apparatus', and are supplied in a safe condition.

Whenever protection is likely to have been impaired by damage, the equipment shall be made inoperative and be secured against any intended operation.

Removal of the rear cover WILL EXPOSE LIVE PARTS. The equipment must be disconnected from the supply before carrying out any adjustments, replacement, or repair with the case opened. If any work is carried out with the equipment opened and powered, it shall only be carried out by a skilled person who is aware of the hazard involved. Mains connections:

The unit is operable as soon as the mains is applied, there is no mains switch.

The equipment must be connected to a protective earth. Any interruption of the earth conductor inside or outside the equipment is likely to make the equipment dangerous.

The mains and signal leads should not be allowed to collect within the instrument; all excess lead must be pulled out through the cable glands.

Note that capacitors inside the instrument may still be charged when the equipment has been disconnected from the supply. Before carrying out any work inside the equipment, a period of one minute should be allowed for capacitors to discharge; to discharge the mains filter capacitors, short together the live and neutral mains wires.

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The equipment generates and uses radio frequency energy, but when properly installed as described, complies with EN55022. The equipment is certified as meeting EN50081-1 and EN50082-1

Shielded cables **MUST** be used for all signal and data leads, but use of a shielded mains lead is not required. The power earth wire must be bonded to a good earth, but **DO NOT** earth the signal, data or remote programmer screens.

8.0 Warranty

London Electronics Ltd. warrants its products against defects in materials or workmanship for a period of one year from the date of purchase.

In the event of a defect during the warranty period, the unit should be returned, freight(and all duties and taxes) prepaid by the Buyer to the authorised London Electronics Ltd. distributor from where the unit was purchased. The Distributor, at its option, will repair or replace the defective unit. The unit will be returned to the Buyer with freight charges prepaid by the distributor.

LIMITATION OF WARRANTY

The foregoing warranty shall not apply to defects resulting from:

1.	Improper or inadequate maintenance by the		
	buyer.		
2.	Unauthorised modification or misuse.		
3.	Operation outside the environmental specification of the product.		
4.	Mishandling or abuse.		
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9.0 AND FINALLY...

We really would appreciate receiving any comments you may wish to make after receiving your **LONDON ELECTRONICS LTD.** Large displays.

In particular, if you experienced any difficulties during any stage of your purchase, your comments will enable us to serve you better in the future.

Similarly, if there are any additional features you feel you would benefit from by having them included in our range of equipment, please let us know and we will give your suggestions serious consideration.

Please complete the section below and return it to us as soon as possible so that changes can be made without delay.

Thank you for choosing products from LONDON ELECTRONICS LTD. !

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BRIEF APPLICATION DESCRIPTION_	
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SIGNED	DATE

NOTES

Declaration of Conformity

Declaration Number: EMC1700 Iss. 3Issue Date: 21 April 1997Products Covered: 1700 Series Large DisplaysTitle: Large Process, Serial
Rate & Totalising Displays

This is to confirm that the Products covered by this declaration have been designed and manufactured to meet the following specifications :

EN55022:1987 Conducted Emissions: Class B EN55022:1987 Radiated Emissions : Class B IEC801-2:1984 Electro-Static Discharge Immunity: 8kV Air IEC801-3:1984 Radiated ElectroMagnetic field Immunity: 3V/m IEC801-4:1988 Fast Transient Immunity : AC 1kV, cable 0.5kV

Thus the products conform with the applicable sections of the following standards:

EN50081-1:1992 (normative) EN50082-1:1992 (normative)

and comply with the requirements of Council Directive 89/336/EEC relating to Electro-Magnetic Compatibility.

To confirm compliance, representative models within the range have been independently tested and certified by MARCONI INSTRUMENTS EMC Department.

MARCONI CERTIFICATE # : TC96/029C MARCONI CERTIFICATE Issue #: 1 MARCONI Certificate Issue Date : 14 February 1996

Conditions

The meters are permitted a worst case error of 1% of A/D range during electro-magnetic disturbance, and must recover automatically when disturbance ceases without the need for human intervention, such as resetting, power-down etc.

The meters covered by this certificate must be installed in adherence to the following conditions :-

Signal cabling shall be routed separately to power carrying cabling (includes relay output wiring) All signal cabling shall be screened. The screen shall only be terminated to the power earth terminal

This certificate applies only to meters carrying Serial Numbers 601001 or higher.

Signed as true and correct, for and on behalf of London Electronics Ltd.