

The BA318E is a third generation intrinsically safe tachometer that is compatible with the earlier BA368C, but has a much larger display and an isolated synchronous pulse output. The tachometer is easy to use and can be configured on-site to operate with a magnetic pick-off, switch contact, proximity detector, open collector or a voltage pulse sensor. A slide-in scale card simplifies identification and international intrinsic safety certification permits worldwide installation.

**Main application** of the BA318E is to measure and display rotational speed within a hazardous area. To assist with routine maintenance the tachometer includes a run-time clock that records the number of hours that the monitored machinery has been operating.

The large display has high contrast and a very wide viewing angle, enabling the tachometer to be read in most lighting conditions over a wide temperature range. An optional backlight is available. Speed may be displayed in almost any units of measurement per second, minute or hour. Run-time is shown on the lower display in hours with a tenth of an hour resolution. If not required the run-time display may be disabled.

**Open collector pulse output** synchronously retransmits the tachometer input pulse to other instruments. The output pulse frequency may be divided and the pulse width may be defined.

**IP66 front panel protection** with a neoprene gasket to seal the joint between the tachometer and the instrument panel allows the BA318E to be installed in areas that will be washed down. To simplify installation and maintenance, the tachometer has removable terminal blocks enabling panel wiring to be completed before the instrument is installed.

International intrinsic safety certification permits the BA318E tachometer to be installed worldwide. When configured to operate with a sensor having a voltage or magnetic pick-off output, the input terminals comply with the requirements for simple apparatus reducing system design and All input safety documentation. parameters are the same or greater than those for the preceding BA368C, thus allowing the BA318E to safely replace the earlier model.

**Display backlighting**, which is internally powered from the tachometer, is available as a factory fitted option. It provides green background illumination enhancing daylight viewing and allowing the display to be easily read at night or when the tachometer is installed in a poorly illuminated area.

An optional isolated 4/20mA output may be configured to produce an analogue output proportional to any part of the speed display. The output is galvanically isolated and has been certified as a separate intrinsically safe circuit complying with the requirements for *simple apparatus* thus simplifying connection to other instruments.

**Optional dual alarms** which can switch hazardous area loads such as a sounder or solenoid valve, or safe area loads via a Zener barrier or isolator, are available as a factory fitted option. The two galvanically isolated, solid state voltage free outputs may be independently conditioned as speed or run-time alarms with normally open or closed outputs. Annunciators on the BA318E display show the status of both alarm outputs.

When panel space is limited the BA317E provides similar features in a smaller 94 x 48mm enclosure.

## **BA318E**

# One input tachometer

### Intrinsically safe for use in all gas hazardous areas

- Configurable input: magnetic pick-off, switch contact, proximity detector, open collector or voltage pulse.
- Separate speed and run-time displays.
- Intrinsically safe
- 144 x 72mm DIN enclosure with IP66 front protection.
- Isolated pulse output
  - Optional: Backlight Dual alarms 4/20mA output
- 3 year guarantee

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#### **SPECIFICATION**

Input

#### **DIMENSIONS** (mm)

