



## ALA5 2-Wire 4-20mA ATEX Load Cell Amplifier

ICA5ATEX Strain Gauge or Load Cell Analogue Amplifier Mounted Inside  
an In-Line Stainless Steel Enclosure (ILEATEX)

*User Manual*  
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## Chapter 1 The ALA5

The ALA5 is an ATEX certified (intrinsic safety) 2-wire 4-20mA amplifier providing a wide range of signal conditioning for Strain Gauges, Load Cells, Pressure and Torque Transducers.

Combining the ICA5ATEX miniature loadcell amplifier with the stainless steel ILEATEX enclosure produces a compact, robust and certified in-line amplifier suitable for use in zones 0, 1, and 2 in hazardous locations.

The ICA5ATEX is designed for a 1k bridge, however, 350R can be used at the expense of noise and drift performance.

Please note: the ICA5ATEX amplifier's output is uni-polar output i.e. zero strain input = 4mA and full range input = 20mA output.

Sensitivity adjustment, between 0.5 mV/V and 55 mV/V is achieved by a combination of the **SPAN** (gain) resistor R2 (see fig 4.1) and associated fine adjustment by potentiometer. Chapter 4 gives details of how to calculate a new value for R2 to suit loadcell outputs other than the factory set 2.5mV/V.

Similarly transducer **ZERO** can be compensated for in the module. This adjustment is to compensate for slight errors in the strain gauge and not to offset tare. The value of R1 (see fig 4.1) can be modified to increase the trim range of the zero point (see chapter 4).

## Chapter 2: Installing the ALA5

### Pre Installation

Carefully remove the ALA5 unit from its shipment box. Check that the unit is complete and undamaged.

The ALA5 can be installed in any industrial environment providing the following limits and ATEX conditions of use are met.

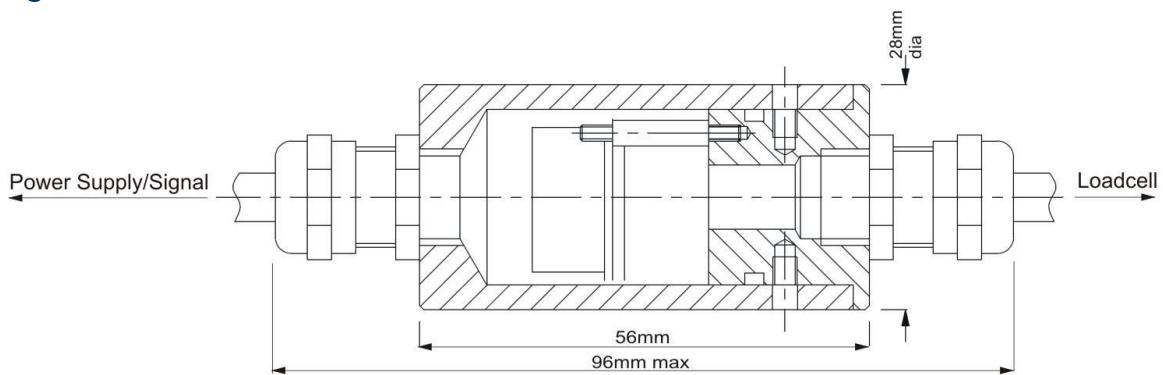
*Please refer to Appendix A - 'Special conditions of safe use'*

Operating Temperature	-40°C to +85°C
Humidity	95% non condensing
Storage temperature	-40°C to +85°C

 II 1 G Ex ia IIC T4  
T<sub>amb</sub> = -40°C to +85°C  
CE2812 TRAC10ATEX11247X  
Ui= 28V, Ii = 100mA, Pi = 0.7W  
Co = 33nF, Lo = 3mH

*For an explanation of the ATEX conditions of use see Appendix A*

**Figure 2.1 Dimensions**



**Connections:**

The ALA5 is supplied pre-wired with 2-core screened cable for the supply/signal and 4-core screened cable for the loadcell connections.

If installing into a hazardous zone, the ALA5 must be connected via an approved ATEX Barrier with the following parameters:

$U_o = 28V$ ,  $I_o = 100mA$ ,  $P_o = 0.7W$ , Barrier Impedance  $300\Omega$ .

These are maximum values, actual barrier parameters will vary. However, the barrier impedance is not permitted to change.

*Please refer to Appendix A - 'Special conditions of safe use'*

Two examples of suitable barriers are:

MTL7706+ (passive Zener diode type with active current limit) manufactured by MTL Instruments

KFD2-STC4-EX1/2 (3-way isolated type) manufactured by Pepperl and Fuchs

**Standard cable:**

**IMPORTANT NOTE:** The cables factory-fitted to the ALA5 (see table 1) limit the operating temperature range to  $-25^{\circ}C$  to  $+70^{\circ}C$ .

**Table 1**

Country	Supplier	Part No	Description
UK	Farnell	1218651	<b>Loadcell cable 1m:</b> Belden 8132 Twin twisted pair cable (28 AWG) 100% overall foil shield + 65% tinned copper braided outer shield O.D. 5.6mm Capacitance: core to core 33 pF/m & core to shield 61 pF/m Worst case capacitance: 224pF/m - see note 1 Temperature range: $-30^{\circ}C$ to $+80^{\circ}C$
UK	Farnell	3855636 (per metre) 798-551 (100m reel)	<b>Output cable 5m:</b> Van Damme 268006C Single twisted pair cable (24 AWG) + 95% tinned copper braided shield O.D. 4.85mm Capacitance: core to core 100 pF/m & core to shield 165 pF/m Worst case capacitance: 197pF/m - see note 1 Temperature range: $-25^{\circ}C$ to $+70^{\circ}C$

Note 1: The maximum capacitance,  $C_c$ , can be taken as the capacitance between all cores connected together and the screen (Annex C of the installations standard EN60079-14). A safety margin of +10% has been added.

The ground connection conductor should have sufficient cross-sectional area to ensure a low impedance path to attenuate RF interference.

## Cable colour code:

Power/signal	
Red	Supply +
Green	Com
Loadcell	
Orange/White	+Exc
White/Orange	-Exc
Blue/White	+In
White/Blue	-In

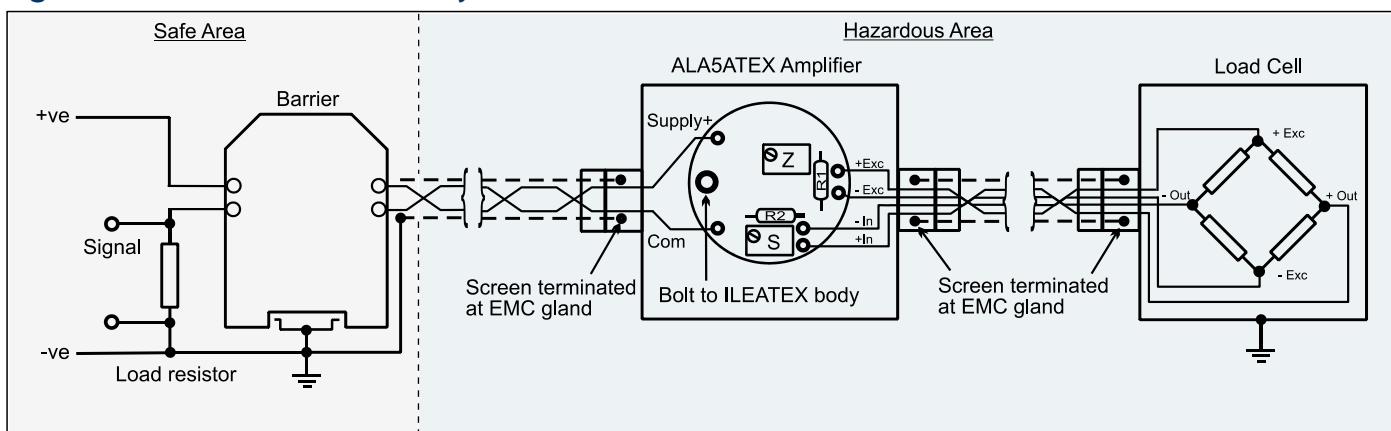
## Alternative Cable types

The type of cable used should be suitable for use in the hazardous area with particular regard to the certified  $-40^{\circ}\text{C}$  to  $+85^{\circ}\text{C}$  temperature range of the ALA5.

The cable should comprise twin twisted pairs of cables - four-core for the loadcell and a single pair for the power/signal.

Each cable should have an overall braid to ensure a good EMC seal with the glands on the ALA5.

**Figure 2.1 Connection Details for the ALA5**



The barrier limits the amount of electrical energy that can be transferred into the hazardous area thereby preventing the ignition of a flammable atmosphere in the event of a fault condition occurring.

A simple passive barrier is shown above but this can be replaced by an isolated barrier to avoid ground loops that may affect measurement accuracy and stability. These devices provide three-way isolation between power, input and output.

The ALA5 is supplied with a 1m input cable and a 5m output cable. If the cables are too short for a particular installation, they can be replaced with longer lengths or joined provided that an ATEX approved junction box is used and the conditions set out below are satisfied. Excessively long leads, particularly the load cell cable may cause noise and stability problems.

**IMPORTANT NOTE:** In order to remain ATEX compliant, the total amount of capacitance that can be connected to the ALA5 enclosure ( $C_o$ ) must not exceed 33nF (0.033uF). This value must include the total cable capacitance and the  $C_i$  value of the barrier supplying the unit. If the installation includes any ATEX junction boxes their  $C_i$  values must also be included.

As an example, the maximum length for the output cable specified in table 1 will be:

$(33\text{nF} - 224\text{pF})/197\text{pF} = 166.4\text{m}$  (multiply the pF/m figure given in table 1 by the length in metres to obtain the total capacitance of each cable)

*Please refer to Appendix A - 'Special conditions of safe use'*

For special cable types e.g. high temperature, armoured etc. please contact Mantracourt Electronics.

## Output Connections

The ICA5ATEX analogue output is 4 to 20mA. The power and signal are combined in a single pair cable, simplifying installation.

N.B. Neither connection to the output load is electrically common to the load cell.

The following formula gives the suitable range of shunt resistance for low supply voltage operation.

## Output Shunt Resistance Formula

The shunt resistance must be less than:  $((V_{\text{supply}} - 9) / 20\text{mA}) - R_{\text{wiring}}$

e.g. assuming 10 Ohms wiring resistance and 24V supply:

Max shunt resistance =  $((24 - 9) / 0.02) - 10 = 740 \text{ Ohms}$

## Chapter 3: Calibration

In order to calibrate the ALA5 the cover of the enclosure must be removed as follows:

Mechanical tools required: 1.5mm hex key, 14mm AF spanner and flat-blade screwdriver, maximum width 1.5mm.

1. Remove the two grub screws using a 1.5mm hex key

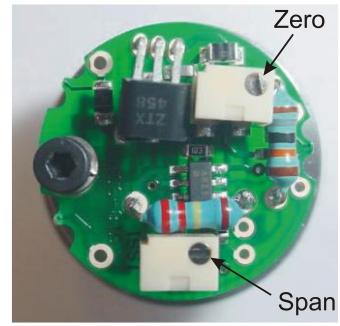


2. Loosen the gland furthest away from the grub screw holes using a 14mm AF spanner.



3. Gently ease the base out of the cover ensuring that the cable slides through the loosened gland to avoid any strain on the internal connections.

4. The ICA5ATEX amplifier will now be exposed allowing access to the two trimming potentiometers.



### Calibration:

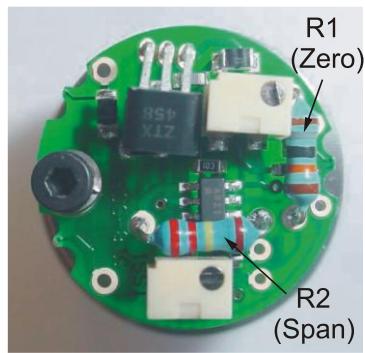
1. Apply the **low** calibration conditions (weight, force or mV/V). Set the output to 4mA using the **Zero** potentiometer.
2. Apply the known **high** calibration conditions (ideally between 75% and full scale) and adjust the **Span** potentiometer to give the required output current for the known input.  
i.e. 16mA for 4-20mA final calibration with 75% input or 20mA if 100% input.

When re-assembling the ALA5 it is imperative that the 'O' is fitted correctly and the cable gland re-tightened to maintain a gas-tight seal.

## Chapter 4: Changing the Gain and Offset Ranges

The ICA5ATEX amplifier is supplied un-calibrated but optimized for a sensitivity of 2.5mV/V with a 1k bridge. To accommodate other sensitivities the gain resistor, 'R2' (see below) can be changed to a value derived from the following formula.

**Figure 4.1**



N.B. a high quality resistor (e.g. 1% 25-50 ppm metal film) should be used for best performance. It may be necessary to use an E96 value for optimum trim range: -

## Calculating the Gain Resistor (R2)

$$R2 = \left( \frac{1069.2}{(mV/V) \times Vexc} - 10 \right) \text{ k Ohms}$$

Where  $mV/V$  is the sensitivity of the load cell (in  $mV/V$ ),  $Vexc$  is the excitation voltage (in volts).

The following table gives calculated values of  $Vexc$  for various standard load cell impedances:

Load Cell Impedance	Excitation voltage (Vexc)
350	0.53
700	0.87
1000	1.08
1400	1.29
2000	1.51
5000	1.97

e.g. For a 2.5mV/V 1000 Ohm load cell :  $R2 = 386\text{k Ohms}$  - use 390k (nearest preferred value)

Use the following formulae to calculate the excitation voltage for cell impedances not given in the table:

$$Rx = \left( \frac{1}{(1/Rcell) + 4.762 \times 10^{-6}} \right) \text{ Ohms}$$

$$Vexc = \left( \frac{2.5 \times Rx}{Rx + 1300} \right) \text{ Volts}$$

e.g. for a 500 Ohm load cell:

$Rx = 498.8 \text{ Ohms}$

Excitation Voltage,  $Vexc = 0.693\text{V}$

## Offset Resistor (R1)

The value of R1 can be changed to offset the zero point, if outside the normal trimming range ( $\pm 2\%$  FS). Its value will also depend on the impedance of the load cell. The factory-fitted value, 120k is optimised for a 1000 Ohm cell.

## Offset Resistor (R1) vs Load Cell Impedance

The following table gives the value of R1 for various load cell impedances and  $\pm 2\%$  FS and  $4\%$  FS trim:

Load Cell Impedance	$\pm 2\%$	$\pm 4\%$
350 ohms	15k	n/a
7000 ohms	82k	22k
1000 ohms	120k	56k
5000 ohms	910k	510k

## Chapter 5: OEM Customers

**IMPORTANT: OEM customers must hold a notified body Quality Assurance Notification (QAN) if the ICA5ATEX is to be installed into a Mantracourt ATEX approved 'generic' enclosure.**

If installed into a non-ATEX approved enclosure, the whole assembly must be submitted for ATEX certification by an appropriate body.

*Please refer to Appendix A - 'Special conditions of safe use'*

The ICA5ATEX amplifier is designed to fit into a pocket in a certified loadcell. Use the 2.1mm hole to secure the unit and to provide a good ground connection.

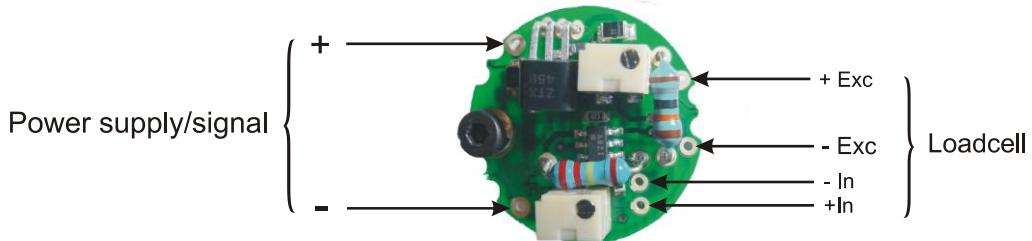
The mounting hole will accept an M2 screw or American equivalent #0-80.

Important Note: DO NOT USE #2 screw size.

Take care when soldering cables to the pads. Use a temperature controlled soldering iron set to a maximum 330 °C, for no longer than 2 seconds per pad. Excessive heat or increased soldering time may result in damage to the PCB.

See fig 2.1 for recommended screen connections.

### **The ICA5ATEX Connections:**

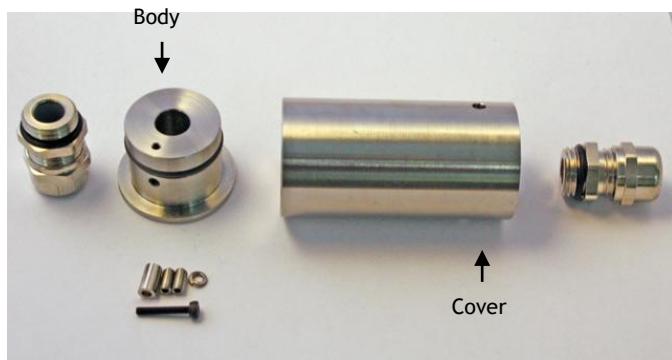


The power supply should be between 9 and 28V and must be connected through an ATEX approved barrier if installing into a hazardous area.

## **ILEATEX Enclosure**

### **Package Contents**

- EMC 'O' ring
- enclosure body
- enclosure Cover
- 2 x EMC cable glands PG7/20 TPI 14mm AF
- 2 x grub screws
- 1 x M2 spring washer
- 1 x M2 cylindrical spacer
- M2 x 12mm cap screw



Ensure that the 'O' ring is fitted to the body.

*Please refer to Appendix A - 'Special conditions of safe use'*

## Chapter 6: Specifications

**Table 6.1 ICA5ATEX - 4-20mA 2 wire Specifications**

### Environmental

Parameter	Minimum	Typical	Maximum	Units	Notes
Supply voltage Range	9.0	24	28	Volts	
Operating Temperature Range	-40	-	85	Deg C	
Storage Temperature Range	-40	-	85	Deg C	
Reverse polarity Protection	-30	-	-	Volts	

### Measurement

Parameter	Minimum	Typical	Maximum	Units	Notes
Bridge Excitation	1.05	1.11	1.16	Volts	Note 1
Bridge Impedance	350	1000	5000	Ohms	
Bridge Sensitivity	0.5	2.5	55	mV/V	Note 2
Output load	-	-	300	Ohms	Note 3
Bandwidth	DC	-	1000	Hz	
'Zero' adjustment	-	$\pm 2$	-	%FR	Note 4
'Span' adjustment	-	$\pm 8$	-	%FR	
Linearity	-	0.02	-	%FR	
Temperature stability					
'Zero' Temperature Stability	-	0.001	0.005	+/-%FR/Deg C	At 2.5mV/V
'Span' Temperature Stability	-	0.007	0.014	+/-%FR/Deg C	At 2.5mV/V

FR=Full Range (16mA)

Note 1: 1000 Ohm load cell - Typically 0.53V for 350 Ohm cell

Note 2: Set by calibration resistor

Note 3: Limited by the 300Ω barrier impedance

Note 4: 1000 Ohms load cell - change R1 to suit other load cell impedances.

Note: Recommended bridge impedance is 1,000 Ohms

Note: The voltage between either of the power supply connections and the load cell shield should not exceed 50V. Any leakage will be greater than 10M Ohms.

**Table 6.2 ILEATEX Enclosure Specifications**

Parameter	Minimum
Cover material	Stainless steel type 304
Body material	Stainless steel type 316 or 17-4
Threaded entries	PG7 / 20 TPI
Cable entries	PG7 EMC glands (e.g. Jacob 50.007/EMV 14mm AF)
Environmental rating	IP67

## *Environmental Approvals*

Output shall not exceed the sum of uncertainties when subjected to an electric field of 10V/m over the frequency range 80 to 600MHz

## CE Approvals

European EMC Directive 2004/108/EC  
BS EN 61326-1:2006  
BS EN 61326-2-3:2006

## **Appendix A: Special Conditions of Safe Use**

### **Special conditions of safe use:**

<b>ALA5 Equipment:</b>	
1	<p>The apparatus must be supplied by an approved ATEX Barrier with the following parameters: <math>U_0 = 28V</math>, <math>I_0 = 100mA</math>, <math>P_0 = 0.7W</math>, Barrier Impedance <math>300\Omega</math>.</p> <p>These are maximum values, actual barrier parameters will vary. However, the barrier impedance is not permitted to change.</p>
2	External inductance connected shall take into account the electrical parameters of the cable, $L_c$ , and the combined amount shall be less than or equal to $3mH$ .
3	External capacitance connected shall take into account the electrical parameters of the cable, $C_c$ , and the combined amount shall be less than or equal to $33nF$ .

## Schedule of limitations:

### ICA5ATEX Component:

4	The enclosure used to house the ICA5ATEX must be metallic and not contain ,by mass, more than 10% in total of aluminium, magnesium, titanium and zirconium OR 7.5% in total of aluminium, magnesium or zirconium.
5	The ICA5ATEX PCB must be mounted completely within an ATEX approved metallic apparatus enclosure as per the manufacturer's instructions.
6	Cable glands used for entry to an enclosure must be metallic and rated to maintain a minimum IP54 level of protection. Alternatively ATEX approved glands in both metallic and non-metallic material are permitted.
7	<p>The apparatus must be supplied by an approved ATEX Barrier with the following parameters: <math>U_0 = 28V</math>, <math>I_0 = 100mA</math>, <math>P_0 = 0.7W</math>, Barrier Impedance <math>300\Omega</math>.</p> <p>These are maximum values, actual barrier parameters will vary. However, the barrier impedance is not permitted to change.</p>
8	External inductance connected shall take into account the electrical parameters of the cable, $L_c$ , and the combined amount shall be less than or equal to $3mH$ .
9	External capacitance connected shall take into account the electrical parameters of the cable, $C_c$ , and the combined amount shall be less than or equal to $33nF$ .
10	Each ICA5ATEX PCB must be subjected to and pass a $500V_{rms}$ or $700V_{dc}$ dielectric strength test from live parts to earth when disconnected from the earth stud.
11	PCB tracks must maintain a minimum $0.2mm$ separation distance to the enclosure wall.

### **Schedule of limitations:**

## ILEATEX Component:

12	PCB tracks must maintain a minimum separation distance to the enclosure wall as required by the amplifier ATEX approval.
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## ATEX Marking:

ALA5 In-Cell Amplifier (Equipment):

**ALA5**

**ME** Mantracourt Electronics, EX5 2JB, UK

 II 1 G Ex ia IIC T4 Tamb = -40°C to +85°C

 TRAC10ATEX11247X

2812 Ui=28V, li=100mA, Pi=0.7W

Serial Number: 1111111111 Co=33nF, Lo=3mH



28 Jun 2010

ICA5ATEX PCB (Component):

**ICA5ATEX**

**ME** Mantracourt Electronics, EX5 2JB, UK

 II 1 G Ex ia

TRAC10ATEX11248U

Serial Number: 1111111111



ILEATEX Enclosure (Component):

**ILEATEX**

**ME** Mantracourt Electronics, EX5 2JB, UK

 II 1 G Ex ia

TRAC10ATEX11249U

Serial Number: 1111111111



### ATEX Marking details

 Explosion protection  
II Equipment group: industrial  
1 Equipment category: very high protection  
G Hazard: gas atmosphere - zones 0,1 and 2

### Certification Code details

Ex Explosion protection  
ia Intrinsic safety according to EN60079-11 (previously EN  
IIC 50020)  
T4 Hydrogen/Acetylene gas group  
Temperature Classification - surface temperature <135°C

# EU DECLARATION OF CONFORMITY

Declaration No. ALA5-ATEX-DOC

We, the undersigned:

Name of Manufacturer:

Address:

Country:

Mantracourt Electronics Ltd

The Drive, Farrington, Exeter, Devon, EX5 2JB

United Kingdom

Declare under our sole responsibility that the following apparatus:

Product description:

In-Cell Amplifier comprising ICA5ATEX and  
ILEATEX components.

ALA5

N/A

Model or Type No.:

Based on the following harmonised standards:

Brand name:

BS EN 61326-1:2013

Is in conformity with the following  
relevant Union harmonisation legislation:

BS EN 61326-2-3:2013

EMC directive 2014/30/EU

And on the following non harmonised standards:

EN60079-0:2006

EN60079-11:2007

An assessment of the differences between the  
quoted and harmonised standards has been made.  
There are deemed to be no discernible differences  
affecting this product. Full justification is available  
on request.

ATEX directive 2014/34/EU

The following Notified Body has been involved in the conformity assessment process:

Notified Body:

Element Rotterdam BV

Notified Body No.:

2812

Role:

Issue of ATEX EU Type Examination certificate

Certificate No.:

TRaC10ATEX11247X

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Product description: PCB - Component In-Cell Amplifier

Model or Type No.: ICA5ATEX

Brand name: N/A

Is in conformity with the following relevant Union harmonisation legislation:

EMC directive 2014/30/EU

BS EN 61326-1:2013

BS EN 61326-2-3:2013

ATEX directive 2014/34/EU

And on the following non harmonised standards:

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EN60079-11:2007

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And therefore complies with the following essential requirements of the ATEX Directive (2014/34/EU) and with the relevant essential requirements of those other directives.

EHSR 1.1

EHSR 1.4.1

EHSR 1.2

EHSR 1.5.1 - 1.5.5

EHSR 1.3.1 - 1.3.4

EHSR 1.6

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Notified Body No.: 2812

Role: Issue of ATEX EU Type Examination certificate

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Additional information:

ATEX coding:



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Guidelines for incorporation:

Requires an IP54 enclosure and connection via an intrinsically safe barrier as set out in the component certificate.

This component must not be put into service until the final ATEX equipment into which it is to be incorporated has been declared in conformity with the provisions of the ATEX Directive (2014/34/EU).

Name and position of person binding the manufacturer or authorised representative:

Signature:

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Declare under our sole responsibility that the following apparatus:

Product description:

Metalic Enclosure

Model or Type No.:

ILEATEX

Brand name:

N/A

Is in conformity with the following relevant Union harmonisation legislation:

Based on the following non harmonised standards:

ATEX directive 2014/34/EU

EN60079-0:2006

EN60079-11:2007

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EHSR 1.5.1 - 1.5.5

EHSR 1.3.1 - 1.3.4

EHSR 1.6

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# ALA5 Examination Certificate:



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CONFORMITÉ EUROPÉENNE

## EU - TYPE EXAMINATION CERTIFICATE

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Product or Protective System Intended for use in Potentially Explosive Atmospheres  
Directive 2014/34/EU – Annex III

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EU - Type Examination Certificate No.: TRAC10ATEX11247X (incorporating variation V1)

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Product: ALA5 In-Cell Amplifier

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Manufacturer: Mantracourt Electronics Ltd.,

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This product and any acceptable variation thereto is specified in the schedule to this certificate and the documents therein referred to.

8

Element Materials Technology, Notified Body number 2812, in accordance with Article 17 of Directive 2014/34/EU of the European Parliament and of the Council, dated 26 February 2014, certifies that this product has been found to comply with the Essential Health and Safety Requirements relating to the design and construction of products intended for use in potentially explosive atmospheres given in Annex II to the Directive. The examination and test results are recorded in the confidential report 16-0104-006355.

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Compliance with the Essential Health and Safety Requirements has been assured by compliance with:

EN60079-0:2006

EN60079-11:2007

EN60079-26:2007

Except in respect of those requirements listed at section 18 of the schedule.

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If the sign "X" is placed after the certificate number, it indicates that the product is subject to specific conditions of use specified in the schedule to this certificate.

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The marking of this product shall include the following:

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**13 SCHEDULE TO EU - TYPE EXAMINATION CERTIFICATE**

**14 CERTIFICATE NUMBER TRAC10ATEX11247X (incorporating variation V1)**

**15 Description of Product**

The ALA5 In-Cell Amplifier is a device which is intended to be connected to separately approved load cells. The ALA5 is made up of two component pieces:

- a) the ICA5ATEX PCB
- b) ILEATEX metallic enclosure.

The ICA5ATEX is an assembly of components on a PCB which acts as a strain gauge amplifier, converting a strain gauge input to a 4-20mA output; in effect it is a signal conditioner.

The ILEATEX is a metallic enclosure which provides mechanical and environmental protection as well as an earth connection. There are two cable entries on the ILEATEX enclosure via minimum IP54 rated cable glands, one for the supply from the barrier and one to the load cell.

The ALA5 equipment and ICA5ATEX component must be supplied by a suitably ATEX approved barrier.

**16 Test Report No. (as added for this issue of the certificate): N/A.**

**17 Specific Conditions of Use**

1. The apparatus must be supplied by an approved ATEX Barrier with the following parameters:  $U_0 = 28V$ ,  $I_0 = 100mA$ ,  $P_0 = 0.7W$ , Barrier Impedance  $300\Omega$ . These are maximum values, actual barrier parameters will vary. However, the barrier impedance is not permitted to change.
2. External inductance connected shall take into account the electrical parameters of the cable,  $L_c$ , and the combined amount shall be less than or equal to  $3mH$ .
3. External capacitance connected shall take into account the electrical parameters of the cable,  $C_c$ , and the combined amount shall be less than or equal to  $33nF$ .



Attention is drawn to the operating and installation instructions which may contain useful information in relation to conditions of use.

**18 Essential Health and Safety Requirements (Directive Annex II)**

In addition to the Essential Health and Safety Requirements covered by the standards listed at item 9, all other requirements are demonstrated in the relevant reports.

**19 Drawings and Documents**

The list of controlled technical documentation is given in Appendix A to this schedule.

**20 Routine Tests**

None.

**SCHEDULE TO EU - TYPE EXAMINATION CERTIFICATE**  
**CERTIFICATE NUMBER TRAC10ATEX11247X (incorporating variation V1)**

**21 Specific Conditions for Manufacture**

1. Each ICA5ATEX PCB must be subjected to and pass a 500Vrms or 700Vdc dielectric strength test from live parts to earth when disconnected from the earth stud.

**22 Photographs**



**23 Details of Markings**



**24 Certificate History**

Original certificate	2010-07-20	First issue. This certificate was originally issued by Notified Body number 0891 under Directive 2014/34/EU. The technical file has been transferred to Element Notified Body number 2812 without further assessment or evaluation
Variation V1	2021-11-16	

This certificate is a consolidated certificate and reflects the latest status of the certification, including all variations and amendments.

**25 Notes to CE marking**

In respect of CE Marking, Element Materials Technology accepts no responsibility for the compliance of the product against all applicable Directives in all applications.

**SCHEDULE TO EU - TYPE EXAMINATION CERTIFICATE**

**CERTIFICATE NUMBER TRAC10ATEX11247X (incorporating variation V1)**

**26 Notes to this certificate**

Element Materials Technology certification reference: NR-MANQ-0003.

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**SCHEDULE TO EU - TYPE EXAMINATION CERTIFICATE**

**CERTIFICATE NUMBER TRAC10ATEX11247X (incorporating variation V1)**

**27 Conditions for the validity of this certificate**

This certificate remains valid for so long as:

- (i) The equipment listed in section 4 is manufactured in accordance with the documents listed in Appendix A of this certificate.
- (ii) The standards listed in section 9 of this certificate continue to satisfy the Essential Health and Safety Requirements of Annex II of Directive 2014/34/EU and the generally acknowledged state of the art (e.g. as determined by the publishers of those standards).



SCHEDULE TO EU - TYPE EXAMINATION CERTIFICATE

CERTIFICATE NUMBER TRAC10ATEX11247X (incorporating variation V1)

**APPENDIX A - TECHNICAL DOCUMENTS**

Title:	Drawing No.:	Rev. Level:	Date:
ALA5 Assembly	ALA5-ATEX-ASS	A	2010-05-17
ICA5ATEX schematic	ICA5ATEX-ATEX-SCH	1	2010-05-19
ALA5 User Manual ATEX Safety Information Requirements	ALA5-ATEX-MAN	B	2021-10-29
ALA5 Bill Of Materials	ALA5-ATEX-BOM	A	2010-05-18
ILEATEX Cover	900-005-ATEX-FAB	A	2010-05-10
ILEATEX Body	900-006-ATEX-FAB	A	2010-05-10
ALA5 Label	ALA5-ATEX-LAB	B	2021-07-30
900-009 PCB Layers	900-009-ATEX-PCB	1	2010-05-14

# ICA5ATEX Examination Certificate:



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## EU - TYPE EXAMINATION CERTIFICATE

2 Product or Protective System Intended for use in Potentially Explosive Atmospheres  
Directive 2014/34/EU – Annex III

3 EU - Type Examination Certificate No.: TRAC10ATEX11248U (incorporating variation V1)

4 Product: ICA5ATEX PCB

5 Manufacturer: Mantracourt Electronics Ltd.,

6 Address: The Drive, Farringdon, Exeter, Devon, EX5 2JB, United Kingdom

7 This product and any acceptable variation thereto is specified in the schedule to this certificate and the documents therein referred to.

8 Element Materials Technology, Notified Body number 2812, in accordance with Article 17 of Directive 2014/34/EU of the European Parliament and of the Council, dated 26 February 2014, certifies that this product has been found to comply with the Essential Health and Safety Requirements relating to the design and construction of products intended for use in potentially explosive atmospheres given in Annex II to the Directive. The examination and test results are recorded in the confidential report 16-0104-006355.

9 Compliance with the Essential Health and Safety Requirements has been assured by compliance with:

EN60079-0:2006 EN60079-11:2007 EN60079-26:2007

Except in respect of those requirements listed at section 18 of the schedule.

10 If the sign "X" is placed after the certificate number, it indicates that the product is subject to specific conditions of use specified in the schedule to this certificate.

11 This EU - TYPE EXAMINATION CERTIFICATE relates only to the design and construction of the specified product. Further requirements of the Directive apply to the manufacturing process and supply of this product. These are not covered by this certificate.

12 The marking of this product shall include the following:



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*S.P. Winsor*

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**13 SCHEDULE TO EU - TYPE EXAMINATION CERTIFICATE**

**14 CERTIFICATE NUMBER TRAC10ATEX11248U (incorporating variation V1)**

**15 Description of Product**

The ICA5ATEX is an assembly of components on a PCB which acts as a strain gauge amplifier, converting a strain gauge input to a 4-20mA output; in effect it is a signal conditioner.

The ICA5ATEX is intended to be provided with a metallic enclosure which provides mechanical and environmental protection as well as an earth connection. The cable entries on the enclosure should only allow connections via minimum IP54 rated cable glands, one for the supply from the barrier and one to the load cell.

The ICA5ATEX component must be supplied by a suitably ATEX approved barrier.

**16 Test Report No. (as added for this issue of the certificate): N/A.**

**17 Schedule of limitations**

1. The enclosure used to house the ICA5ATEX PCB must be metallic and not contain, by mass, more than 10% in total of aluminium, magnesium, titanium and zirconium OR 7.5% in total of aluminium, magnesium or zirconium..
2. The ICA5ATEX PCB must be mounted completely within an ATEX approved metallic apparatus enclosure as per the manufacturer's instructions.
3. Cable glands used for entry to an enclosure must be metallic and rated to maintain a minimum IP54 level of protection. Alternatively ATEX approved glands in both metallic and non-metallic material are permitted.
4. External inductance connected shall take into account the electrical parameters of the cable,  $L_c$ , and the combined amount shall be less than or equal to  $3mH$ .
5. External capacitance connected shall take into account the electrical parameters of the cable,  $C_c$ , and the combined amount shall be less than or equal to  $33nF$ .
6. The apparatus must be supplied by an approved ATEX Barrier with the following parameters:  $U_0 = 28V$ ,  $I_0 = 100mA$ ,  $P_0 = 0.7W$ , Barrier Impedance  $300\Omega$ . These are maximum values, actual barrier parameters will vary. However, the barrier impedance is not permitted to change.
7. Each ICA5ATEX PCB must be subjected to and pass a  $500V_{rms}$  or  $700V_{dc}$  dielectric strength test from live parts to earth when disconnected from the earth stud.
8. PCB tracks must maintain a minimum  $0.2mm$  separation distance to the enclosure wall.



Attention is drawn to the operating and installation instructions which may contain useful information in relation to conditions of use.

**18 Essential Health and Safety Requirements (Directive Annex II)**

In addition to the Essential Health and Safety Requirements covered by the standards listed at item 9, all other requirements are demonstrated in the relevant reports.

**SCHEDULE TO EU - TYPE EXAMINATION CERTIFICATE**

**CERTIFICATE NUMBER TRAC10ATEX11248U (incorporating variation V1)**

**19 Drawings and Documents**

The list of controlled technical documentation is given in Appendix A to this schedule.

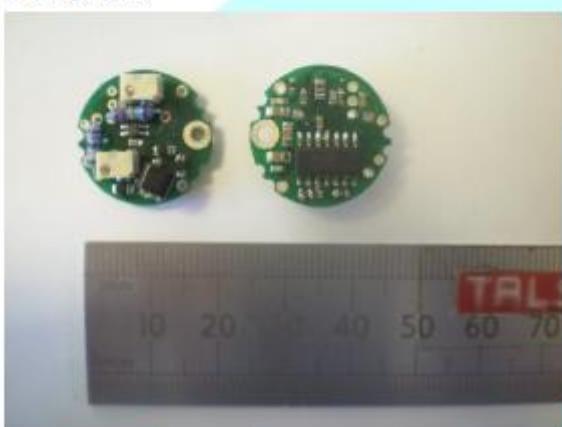
**20 Routine Tests**

None.

**21 Specific Conditions for Manufacture**

1. A coloured dot is to be marked on the PCB and Label to act as an identifier.

**22 Photographs**



**23 Details of Markings**



**24 Certificate History**

Original certificate 2010-07-20 First issue.

This certificate was originally issued by Notified Body number

0891 under Directive 2014/34/EU. The technical file has been transferred to Element Notified Body number 2812 without further assessment or evaluation

**SCHEDULE TO EU - TYPE EXAMINATION CERTIFICATE**

**CERTIFICATE NUMBER TRAC10ATEX11248U (incorporating variation V1)**

This certificate is a consolidated certificate and reflects the latest status of the certification, including all variations and amendments.

**25 Notes to CE marking**

In respect of CE Marking, Element Materials Technology accepts no responsibility for the compliance of the product against all applicable Directives in all applications.

**26 Notes to this certificate**

Element Materials Technology certification reference: NR-MANQ-0004.

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**CERTIFICATE NUMBER TRAC10ATEX11248U (incorporating variation V1)**

**27 Conditions for the validity of this certificate**

This certificate remains valid for so long as:

- (i) The equipment listed in section 4 is manufactured in accordance with the documents listed in Appendix A of this certificate.
- (ii) The standards listed in section 9 of this certificate continue to satisfy the Essential Health and Safety Requirements of Annex II of Directive 2014/34/EU and the generally acknowledged state of the art (e.g. as determined by the publishers of those standards).



SCHEDULE TO EU - TYPE EXAMINATION CERTIFICATE

CERTIFICATE NUMBER TRAC10ATEX11248U (incorporating variation V1)

**APPENDIX A - TECHNICAL DOCUMENTS**

Title:	Drawing No.:	Rev. Level:	Date:
ICA5ATEX schematic	ICA5ATEX-ATEX-SCH	1	2010-05-19
ALA5 User Manual Atex Safety Information Requirements	ALA5-ATEX-MAN	B	2021-10-29
ICA5ATEX Bill Of Materials	ICA5ATEX-ATEX-BOM	A	2010-05-19
ICA5ATEX Label	ICA5ATEX-ATEX-LAB	A	2010-05-10
900-009 PCB Layers	900-009-ATEX-PCB	1	2010-05-14



# ILEATEX Examination Certificate:



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## EU - TYPE EXAMINATION CERTIFICATE

2 Product or Protective System Intended for use in Potentially Explosive Atmospheres  
Directive 2014/34/EU – Annex III

3 EU - Type Examination Certificate No.: TRAC10ATEX11249U (incorporating variation V1)

4 Product: ILEATEX Enclosure

5 Manufacturer: Mantracourt Electronics Ltd.,

6 Address: The Drive, Farringdon, Exeter, Devon, EX5 2JB, United Kingdom

7 This product and any acceptable variation thereto is specified in the schedule to this certificate and the documents therein referred to.

8 Element Materials Technology, Notified Body number 2812, in accordance with Article 17 of Directive 2014/34/EU of the European Parliament and of the Council, dated 26 February 2014, certifies that this product has been found to comply with the Essential Health and Safety Requirements relating to the design and construction of products intended for use in potentially explosive atmospheres given in Annex II to the Directive. The examination and test results are recorded in the confidential report 16-0104-006355.

9 Compliance with the Essential Health and Safety Requirements has been assured by compliance with:

EN60079-0:2006

EN60079-11:2007

EN60079-26:2007

Except in respect of those requirements listed at section 18 of the schedule.

10 If the sign "X" is placed after the certificate number, it indicates that the product is subject to specific conditions of use specified in the schedule to this certificate.

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12 The marking of this product shall include the following:



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**13 SCHEDULE TO EU - TYPE EXAMINATION CERTIFICATE**

**14 CERTIFICATE NUMBER TRAC10ATEX11249U (incorporating variation V1)**

**15 Description of Product**

The ILEATEX is a metallic enclosure which provides mechanical and environmental protection as well as an earth connection. There are two cable entries on the ILEATEX enclosure via minimum IP54 rated cable glands, one for the supply from the barrier and one to the load cell.

The ILEATEX enclosure is intended for use with the separately certified ICA5ATEX PCB Component or similarly ATEX approved amplifier PCBs to form load cell amplifier equipment.

**16 Test Report No. (as added for this issue of the certificate): N/A.**

**17 Schedule of limitations**

1. PCB tracks must maintain a minimum separation distance to the enclosure wall as required by the amplifier ATEX approval.



Attention is drawn to the operating and installation instructions which may contain useful information in relation to conditions of use.

**18 Essential Health and Safety Requirements (Directive Annex II)**

In addition to the Essential Health and Safety Requirements covered by the standards listed at item 9, all other requirements are demonstrated in the relevant reports.

**19 Drawings and Documents**

The list of controlled technical documentation is given in Appendix A to this schedule.

**20 Routine Tests**

None.

**21 Specific Conditions for Manufacture**

None.

**SCHEDULE TO EU - TYPE EXAMINATION CERTIFICATE**

**CERTIFICATE NUMBER TRAC10ATEX11249U (incorporating variation V1)**

**22 Photographs**



**23 Details of Markings**



**24 Certificate History**

Original certificate	2010-07-20	First issue. This certificate was originally issued by Notified Body number 0891 under Directive 2014/34/EU. The technical file has been transferred to Element Notified Body number 2812 without further assessment or evaluation
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**25 Notes to CE marking**

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**SCHEDULE TO EU - TYPE EXAMINATION CERTIFICATE**

**CERTIFICATE NUMBER TRAC10ATEX11249U (incorporating variation V1)**

**26 Notes to this certificate**

Element Materials Technology certification reference: NR-MANQ-0005.

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**27 Conditions for the validity of this certificate**

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- (ii) The standards listed in section 9 of this certificate continue to satisfy the Essential Health and Safety Requirements of Annex II of Directive 2014/34/EU and the generally acknowledged state of the art (e.g. as determined by the publishers of those standards).



SCHEDULE TO EU - TYPE EXAMINATION CERTIFICATE

CERTIFICATE NUMBER TRAC10ATEX11249U (incorporating variation V1)

**APPENDIX A - TECHNICAL DOCUMENTS**

Title:	Drawing No.:	Rev. Level:	Date:
ILEATEX Cover	900-005-ATEX-FAB	A	2010-05-10
ILEATEX Body	900-006-ATEX-FAB	A	2010-05-10
ILEATEX Bill of Materials	ILEATEX-ATEX-BOM	A	2010-05-18
ILEATEX Label	ILEATEX-ATEX-LAB	A	2010-05-10
ALA5 User Manual Atex Safety Information Requirements	ALA5-ATEX-MAN	B	2021-10-29





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