



Frost detectors

QAF63.2-J
QAF63.6-J

for use on the air side

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- Active capillary tube sensor for acquiring the lowest temperature within a range of 0...15 °C
 - Operating voltage AC 24 V
 - Signal output DC 0...10 V

Use

On the air side of ventilation and air conditioning plants:

- Typically: hot water air heating coils where there is a risk of freezing due to cold incoming outside air
- Where fans are to be switched off, heating valves opened, air dampers closed or other actions need to be taken by the control system to prevent freeze-ups

Functions

Technical design

With the help of a vapor-filled capillary tube and diaphragm, the QAF63.. acquires the lowest temperature which occurs along at least 250 mm length of capillary tubing.

If the frost detector is correctly located at the air outlet of the air heating coil, it acquires the lowest air temperature even in the case of temperature stratification. The vapor pressure in the capillary tube produces a certain diaphragm travel. This movement is converted to an electric signal with the help of an inductive measuring system. It is then electronically amplified so that a DC 0...10 V measuring signal can be produced (terminal B).

To make certain it is always the lowest temperature along the capillary tube that is acquired, the temperature of the diaphragm inside the housing must always be higher than the temperature at the capillary tube. This is ensured by a heating element inside the housing, which maintains the temperature at the diaphragm above 15 °C as long as the ambient temperature does not fall below -15 °C.

Mechanical design

The frost detector consists of a two-sectional housing (base and cover) and a capillary tube which is active over its full length.

The cover is secured to the base with a fixing screw and can be removed.

The housing accommodates the electronics, the diaphragm with the heating element, the connection terminals and the type field.

Connection terminals and type field can be accessed after removing the cover.

The cables are introduced to the housing from below. There is one hole for the enclosed cable gland M16, and 2 knockout holes for additional cable glands M16.

The QFA63... can be fitted directly to the wall – with or without a test loop – or with the help of a mounting flange (if the air duct is insulated).

Type summary

| <i>Product number</i> | <i>Stock number</i> | <i>Description</i> |
|-----------------------|---------------------|-------------------------------|
| QAF63.2-J | S55700-P153 | Frost unit with 2-m capillary |
| QAF63.6-J | S55700-P154 | Frost unit with 6-m capillary |

Ordering

When ordering, please give product number, stock number and description.
The mounting accessories not included in the scope of delivery must be ordered as separate items.

Accessories

Included in the scope of delivery

- 1 x M16 cable gland for cable entry
- 2 x screw to DIN 7981-St 4.2 x 22 for direct mounting
- 1 x rubber grommet for capillary entries into air ducts (4 109 2106 0)

Not included in the scope of delivery

| <i>Product number</i> | <i>Stock number</i> | <i>Designation</i> | <i>Parts</i> |
|-----------------------|---------------------|--------------------|--|
| AQM63.0 | BPZ:AQM63.0 | Mounting flange | 1 x depth-adjustable mounting flange for the housing |
| AQM63.2 ¹⁾ | BPZ:AQM63.2 | Capillary support | 3 x capillary tube clamp 3 x spacer |

1) QAF63.6-J requires 2 AQM63.2

Notes

Engineering

The frost detector operates on AC 24 V. The transformer used must be suitable for safety extra low voltage (SELV), 100% duty, and must have separate windings. Fuses, switches, wiring and earthing must be in compliance with local safety regulations. The permissible cable lengths must be observed.

If the capillary tube is mechanically damaged or if there is a leak in the diaphragm system, the frost detector signals a temperature of 0 °C. That is the case also if there is a power failure or if one of the major electronic components fails.

Mounting

Mounting location

On the hot side of the air heating coil.

Mounting of housing

Direct mounting

Fit the housing (by using the 2 fixing holes) to the wall of the air heating coil. Introduce the capillary tube in the air duct and protect it by using the rubber grommet supplied with the frost detector (refer to "Accessories").

When fitting the frost detector inside the air duct: secure the housing to the inner wall of the air heating coil and lead the capillary tube through one of the lateral grooves.

Direct mounting, with test loop for functional test

Fit the housing (by using the 2 fixing holes) to the wall of the air heating coil and lead the capillary tube through one of the lateral grooves.

Bend the capillary to form a test loop, introduce the capillary to the air duct and protect it by using the enclosed rubber grommet (refer to "Accessories").

This mounting method is not recommended when the ambient temperature at the external test loop may fall below the temperature at the measuring location in the air duct (the measuring signal of the sensing element always represents the lowest temperature, no matter where it occurs along the capillary tube!).

With mounting flange (refer to "Accessories")

This mounting method is suited for air ducts having an insulation of up to 70 mm.

Fit the mounting flange to the wall of the air heating coil and introduce the capillary tube through the flange in the air duct.

Fitting the capillary tube

Coil the capillary tube evenly across the entire cross-sectional area of the air heating coil and attach it to the coil with the help of the clamps, maintaining a spacing of 40 mm (refer to "Accessories").

 CAUTION

The capillary tube must not be sharply bent. The bending radius should be as great as possible.

Installation

The connection terminals are protected against wiring errors with own voltages up to AC 24 V.

Commissioning

There are no settings required on the frost detector.

Using a test loop, the correct functioning of the frost detector can be checked with the help of a mixture of ice and water.

Disposal



The frost detectors are considered electronics devices for disposal in terms of European Directive 2012/19/EU and may not be disposed of as domestic waste.

- Dispose of the Device via the channels provided for this purpose.
- Comply with all local and currently applicable laws and regulations.

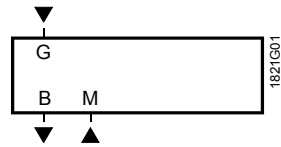
Technical data

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| Power supply | Operating voltage | AC 24 V \pm 20% (SELV) |
| | Frequency | 50/60 Hz |
| | Power consumption | 5 VA |
| | At ambient temperatures >10 °C (with no heating) | 2.5 VA |
| Line lengths for measure signal terminals B - Functional data | External supply line protection | Circuit breaker max. 10 A Characteristic B, C, D according to EN 60898 or Power source with current limitation of max. 10 A |
| | Perm. cable length | |
| | Copper cable 1.5 mm ² | 300 m |
| | Measuring range | 0...15 °C |
| | Time constant: In still air | Approx. 90 s |
| | In moving air | <40 s |
| | Output signal, linear (terminal B) | DC 0...11.5 V $\hat{=}$ 0...15 °C Max. \pm 1 mA |
| | Capillary tube | |
| | Min. active length | 250 mm |
| | Perm. temperature | Max. 110 °C |
| Degree of protection | Housing | IP42 to EN 60529 |
| | Protection class | III |
| Electrical connections | Screw terminals for | 2 x 1.5 mm ² or 1 x 2.5 mm ² |
| | Cable entry | M16 cable gland |
| Environmental conditions | Operation | IEC 721-3-3 |
| | Climatic conditions | |
| | Temperature | -15...55 °C |
| | Humidity | <85% r.h. |
| | Storage/transport | IEC 721-3-2 |
| | Climatic conditions | Class 2K3 |
| Temperature | -25...65 °C | |
| Humidity | <95% r.h. | |
| Mechanical conditions | Class 2M2 | |
| Materials and colors | Base | Wellamid 6600 HWC8, RAL 7001 (silver-grey) |
| | Cover | PC Lexan 161R (transparent) |
| | Mounting flange | PA 66 (black) |
| | Capillary tube | Copper |
| | Packaging | Corrugated cardboard |
| Directives and standards | Product standard | EN 60730-1 |
| | EU Conformity (CE) | 8000036002 ^{*)} |
| | Environmental compatibility | The product environmental declaration 8000079858 ^{*)} contains data on environmentally compatible product design and assessments (RoHS compliance, materials composition, packaging, environmental benefit, disposal). |
| Weight | QAF63.2-J | Approx. 0.32 kg |
| | QAF63.6-J | Approx. 0.39 kg |

^{*)} The documents can be downloaded from <http://siemens.com/bt/download>

Diagrams

Internal diagram



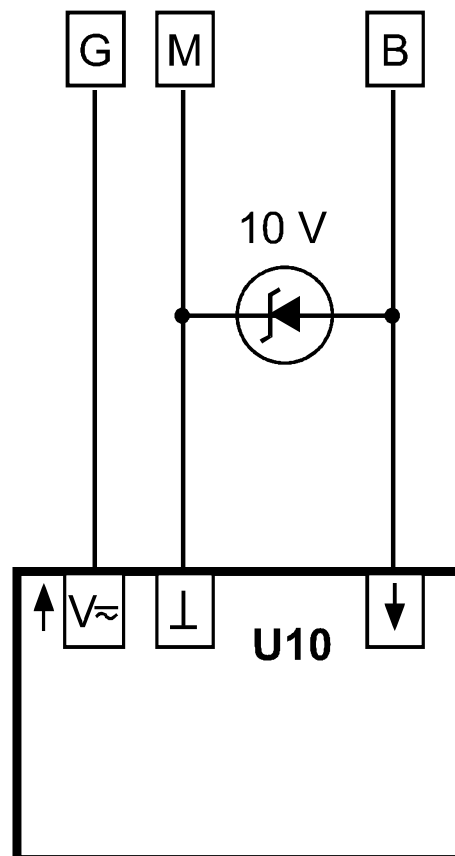
- G System voltage (SELV) AC 24 V
- M System neutral, measuring neutral
- B Signal output DC 0...11.5 V $\hat{=}$ 0...15 °C

Note:

If terminal "B" of the QAF... is connected to a controller, signal >10 V might drop out (e.g. 11 V) which, with certain types of controllers, can lead to a fault status message.

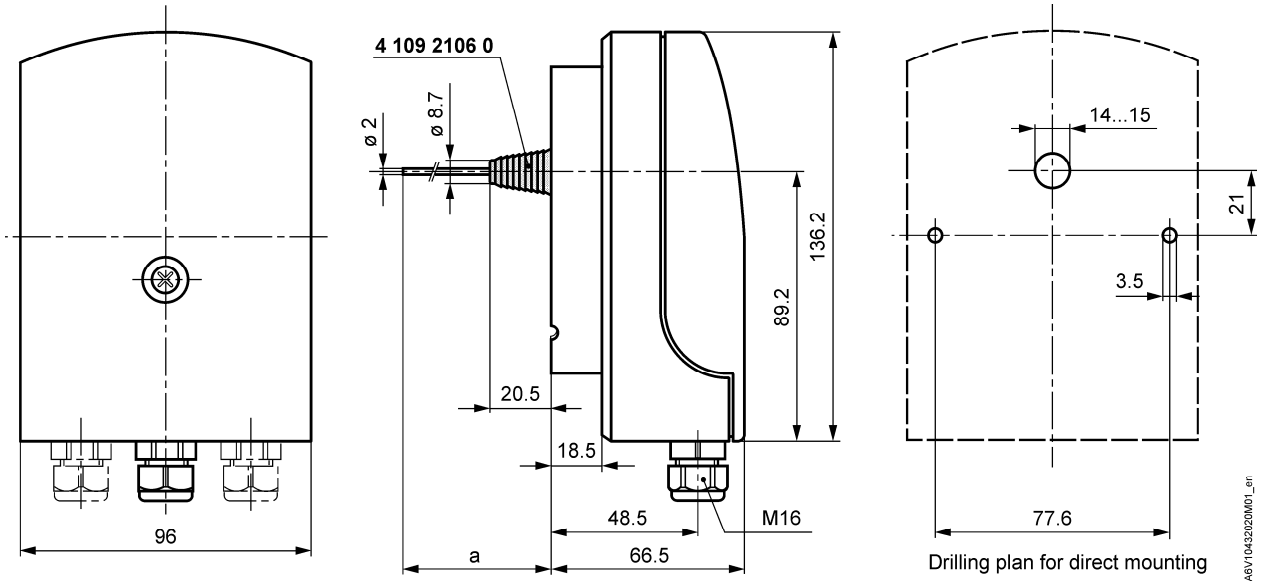
Remedy:

Fit a Zener diode to terminal "B" of the QAF.. or to the controller's input to ensure that the DC 0...10 V signal will not exceed 10 V.

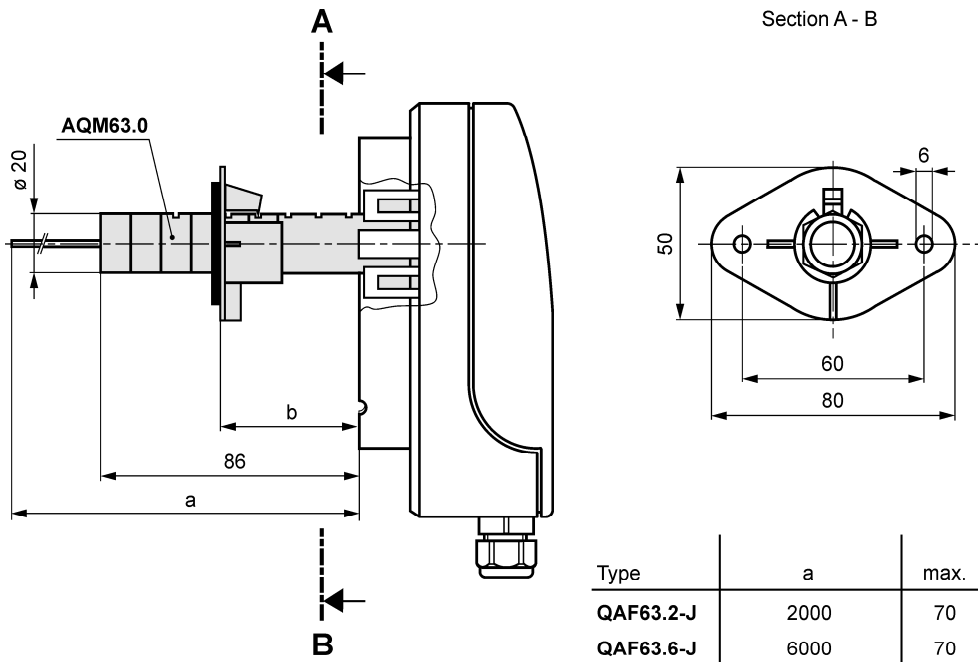


Dimensions

(Dimensions in mm)



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| Type | a | b | |
|-----------|------|------|------|
| | | max. | min. |
| QAF63.2-J | 2000 | 70 | 10 |
| QAF63.6-J | 6000 | 70 | 10 |

QAF63... with depth-adjustable mounting flange AQM63.0

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