

# Application GC01

## General Gas Flow Computer

for Volumetric Frequency Flowmeters



### Features

- Calculations based on a variety of General Gas equations
- Allows quadrature flow input for ISO 6551 level B pulse security
- Selection of Detail or Basic main menu to suit operator and application
- Selection of second language and user tags
- RTC logging with over 1000 entries
- Programmable pulse width and scaling of pulse output
- 4-20mA retransmission
- RS232 and RS485 or Ethernet (optional) serial ports
- Modbus RTU, Printer and other serial port protocols

### Overview

The 515 GC01 application measures the volume, corrected volume and mass of a general gas. The instrument uses a frequency volumetric flow input and analog temperature and pressure sensor inputs.

The instrument is compatible with a wide range of flowmeter frequency outputs. Millivolt signals, reed switches, Namur proximity switches or pulse trains can be selected via its smart front-panel programming.

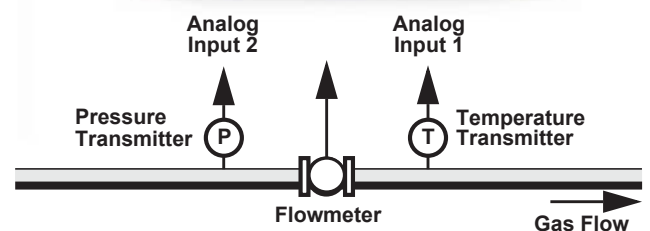
The properties of a gas are calculated using common industry standard equations of state. These equations use a simplified set of parameters to quickly and accurately determine the value of compressibility and actual quantity of gas.

### Calculations

A variety of calculations are available to suit the nature of the gas and the measurement conditions. The calculations are valid for the vapour phase of a gas.

Equations Of State:

- Ideal Gas
- Redlich-Kwong
- Soave-Redlich-Kwong
- Peng-Robinson



## Displayed Information

The front panel display shows the current values of the input variables and the results of the calculations. A list of the variables for this application and their type (total or rate) is shown at the end of this document.

The instrument can be supplied with a real-time clock for data logging of over 1000 entries of the variables as displayed on the main menu.

## Communications

There are two communication ports available as follows:

- COM-1 RS-232 port
- COM-2 RS-485 port (optional) or Ethernet (optional)

All types of ports can be used for remote data reading, while RS-232 and RS-485 serial ports can be used for printouts and for uploading and downloading of the application software to the instrument.

## Isolated Outputs

The opto-isolated outputs can re-transmit any main menu variable. The type of output is determined by the nature of the assigned variable. Totals are output as pulses and rates are output as 4-20mA signals. One output is standard, a second output is available as an option.

## Relay Outputs

The relay alarms can be assigned to any of the main menu variables of a rate type. The alarms can be fully configured including hysteresis. Two relays are standard with two additional relays available as an option.

## Software Configuration

The instrument can be programmed to suit the particular application needs and the flexible I/O can be assigned as required. Program settings can be changed either via the front panel (depending on assigned access levels) or via the 500 Series Program Manager (500-PM software).

The instrument stores all set-up parameters, totals and logged data in non-volatile memory with at least 30 years retention.

## Dimension Drawings

### Part Number

515.XXXXXX-GC01  
see **Product Codes** to select required features

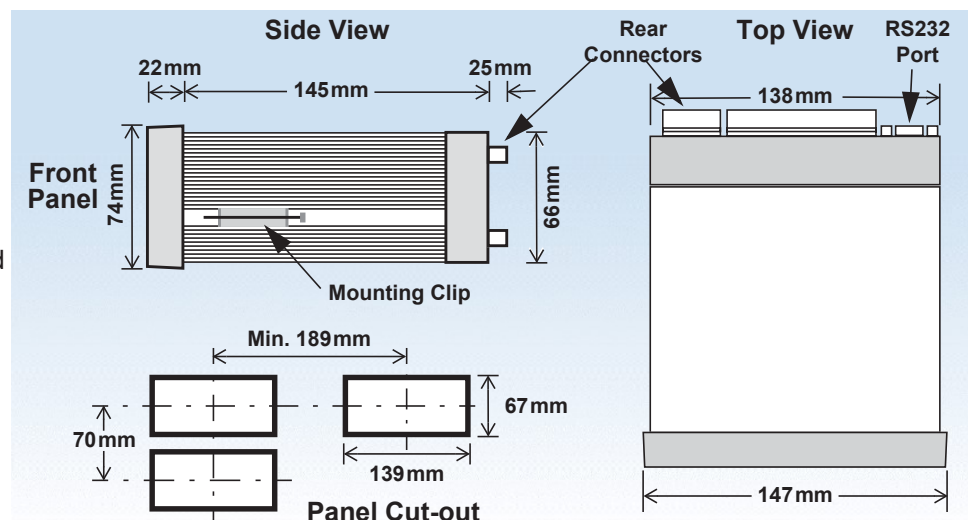
Default Application software:  
515-GC01-000000

## Analog Input Types

Any analog input can be set to accept a 4-20mA, 0-5V or 1-5V signal, while any inputs assigned to a temperature sensor can also be set to accept a PT100 or PT500 signal.

## Terminal Designations

Terminal Label	Designation	Comment
1	FINP 1+	Frequency Input 1+
2	FINP 2+	Frequency Input 2+
3	SG -	Signal ground
5	EXC V 2+	Excitation Term 2+
7	AINP1 +	Analog Input ch 1 (+)
8	-	Analog Input ch 1 (-)
9	AINP2 +	Analog Input ch 2 (+)
10	-	Analog Input ch 2 (-)
15	Vo +	8-24 volts DC output
16	G -	DC Ground
17	Vi +	DC power input
18	SH E	Shield terminal
19	RS485 +	RS485 (+)
20	COM-2 -	RS485 (-)
21	port G	RS485 ground
22	1+	Switch 1
23	2+	Switch 2
24	3+	Switch 3
25	4+	Switch 4
26	C-	Signal ground
27	OUT1 +	Output ch 1 (+)
28	-	Output ch 1 (-)
29	OUT2 +	Output ch 2 (+)
30	-	Output ch 2 (-)
31	RC	Relay Common 1-2
32	R1	Relay 1
33	R2	Relay 2
34	R3	Relay 3
35	R4	Relay 4
36	RC	Relay common 3-4
E	E	Mains ground
N	N	Mains neutral
A	A	Mains active
RS232 COM-1 port	9-pin serial port	



# Specifications

## Operating Environment

<b>Temperature</b>	+5°C to +40°C (standard - no coating) -20°C to +60°C (with conformal coating) -30°C to +60°C (ExD housing with heater)
<b>Humidity</b>	0 to 95% non condensing (conformal coating) 5% to 85% non condensing (no coating)
<b>Power Supply</b>	100-240 V AC (+/-10%) 50-60 Hz (+/-10%) or 12-28 V DC
<b>Consumption</b>	10W (max) Overvoltage category II
<b>Protection</b>	Sealed to IP65 (Nema 4X) when panel mounted
<b>Dimensions (panel option)</b>	147mm (5.8") width 74mm (2.9") height 170mm (6.6") depth (behind the panel)

## Display

<b>Type</b>	Backlit LCD with 7-digit numeric display and 11-character alphanumeric display
<b>Digits</b>	15.5mm (0.6") high
<b>Characters</b>	6mm (0.24") high
<b>LCD Backup</b>	Last data visible for 15min after power down
<b>Update Rate</b>	0.3 second

## Non-volatile Memory

<b>Retention</b>	> 30 years
<b>Data Stored</b>	Setup, Totals and Logs

## Approvals

<b>Electrical &amp; Interference</b>	UKCA, CE, CSA compliance
<b>Enclosure</b>	Ex d Enclosure - ATEX & IECEx available for hazardous area (CSA Pending). Field Mount Enclosure - UKCA, CE, CSA safe area weather proof enclosure. Other - RoHS compliant

## Real Time Clock (Optional)

<b>Battery Type</b>	3 volts Lithium button cell - For Issue 7 option card, type CR2450N manufactured by Renata only - For conformal coated 'C' version, type BR2032 manufactured by Panasonic only - For non-conformal coated versions, type BR2032 and CR2032 manufactured by Panasonic or Sony
<b>Battery Life</b>	5 years (typical)

## Frequency Input (General)

<b>Range</b>	0 to 10kHz for Pulse input type 0 to 5 kHz for Coil & NPS input types (3kHz for pulse security)
<b>Overvoltage</b>	30V maximum
<b>Update Time</b>	0.3 sec
<b>Cutoff frequency</b>	Programmable
<b>Configuration</b>	Pulse, coil or NPS input
<b>Non-linearity</b>	Up to 10 correction points

## Pulse

<b>Signal Type</b>	CMOS, TTL, open collector, reed switch
<b>Threshold</b>	Signals switch below 1.3 & above 2 volts

## Coil

<b>Signal Type</b>	Turbine and sine wave
<b>Sensitivity</b>	15mV minimum amplitude (typical)

## NPS

<b>Signal Type</b>	NPS sensor to Namur standard
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## Analog Input (General)

<b>Overcurrent</b>	100mA absolute maximum rating (30mA for 4-20mA inputs)
<b>Update Time</b>	< 1.0 sec
<b>Configuration</b>	RTD, 4-20mA, 0-5V and 1-5V input
<b>Non-linearity</b>	Up to 20 correction points (some inputs)

## RTD Input

<b>Sensor Type</b>	PT100 & PT500 to IEC 751
<b>Connection</b>	Four Wire
<b>Range</b>	-200°C to 350°C -200°C to 800°C (PT100 extended range)
<b>Accuracy</b>	0.1°C typical 0.2°C typical (PT100 extended range)

## 4-20mA Input

<b>Impedance</b>	100 Ohms (to common signal ground)
<b>Accuracy</b>	0.05% full scale (20°C) 0.1% (full temperature range, typical)

## 0-5 or 1-5 Volts Input

<b>Impedance</b>	10MOhms (to common signal ground)
<b>Accuracy</b>	0.05% full scale (20°C) 0.1% (full temperature range, typical)

## Logic Inputs

<b>Signal Type</b>	CMOS, TTL, open collector, reed switch
<b>Overvoltage</b>	30V maximum

## Relay Output

<b>No. of Outputs</b>	2 relays plus 2 optional relays
<b>Voltage</b>	250 volts AC, 30 volts DC maximum (solid state relays use AC only)
<b>Current</b>	3A maximum - mechanical relays 1.5A maximum - solid state relays

## Communication Ports

<b>Ports</b>	COM-1 RS-232 port COM-2 RS-485 or Ethernet port (optional)
<b>Baud Rate</b>	2400 to 19200 baud
<b>Parity</b>	Odd, even or none
<b>Stop Bits</b>	1 or 2
<b>Data Bits</b>	8
<b>Protocols</b>	ASCII, Modbus RTU, Modbus TCP/IP (Ethernet Port), Printer

## Transducer Supply

<b>Voltage</b>	8 to 24 volts DC, programmable
<b>Current</b>	70mA @ 24V, 120mA @ 12V maximum
<b>Protection</b>	Power limited output

## Isolated Output

<b>No. of Outputs</b>	2 configurable outputs
<b>Configuration</b>	Pulse/Digital or 4-20mA output

## Pulse/Digital Output

<b>Signal Type</b>	Open collector
<b>Switching</b>	200mA, 30 volts DC maximum
<b>Saturation</b>	0.8 volts maximum
<b>Pulse Width</b>	Programmable: 10, 20, 50, 100, 200 or 500ms

## 4-20mA Output

<b>Supply</b>	9 to 30 volts DC external
<b>Resolution</b>	0.05% full scale
<b>Accuracy</b>	0.05% full scale (20°C) 0.1% (full temperature range, typical)

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# Ordering Information

## Product Codes

Model	Supplementary Code	Description
515	- GC01	
Enclosure	1	Panel mount enclosure
	2/7	Field mount enclosure (NEMA 4X / IP66) (7 specifies heater included)
	3/5	Explosion proof Ex d (IECEX/ATEX), metric glands (5 specifies heater included)
	4/6	Explosion proof Ex d (CSA), NPT glands (6 specifies heater included)
Output Options	0	4 logic inputs, 1 isolated output, 2 relays (only relay type 1 is available), RS232 (DB9) communication port
	1	4 logic inputs, 2 isolated outputs, 4 relays, real-time clock data logging, RS232 (DB9) and RS485 communication ports
	2	4 logic inputs, 2 isolated outputs, 4 relays, real-time clock data logging, RS232 (DB9) & Ethernet communication ports
Relay Type	1	Electromechanical relays only
	2	2 electromechanical relays (1-2) and 2 solid state relays (3-4)
	3	Solid state relays only
Power Supply	U	Inputs for 12-28VDC and 100-240 VAC, 50-60Hz (Previous Models: A = 110/120 VAC, E = 220/240 VAC)
	D	Input for 12-28VDC power only
Display Panel Option	S	Standard option (now with backlight & LCD backup) (original Full option: F, with Infra-Red comms, no longer available)
PCB Protection	C	<b>Conformal coating</b> - required for maximum environmental operating range. Recommended to avoid damage from moisture and corrosion.
	N	<b>None</b> - suitable for IEC standard 654-1 Climatic Conditions up to Class B2 (Heated and/or cooled enclosed locations)
Application Pack Number	GC01	Defines the application software to be loaded into the instrument

Example full product part number is 515.111USC-GC01 (this is the number used for placing orders).

## Main Menu Variables

Main Menu Variables	Default Units	Preferred Units	Variable Type
Volume	m <sup>3</sup>		Total
Volume Flowrate	m <sup>3</sup> /min		Rate
Corrected Volume	m <sup>3</sup>		Total
Corrected Flowrate	m <sup>3</sup> /min		Rate
Mass	kg		Total
Mass Flowrate	kg/min		Rate
Temperature	Deg C		Rate
Pressure	MPa		Rate
Compressibility Factor	---		Rate



Example of 500 Series in BZC Ex d enclosure

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