FLAME DETECTOR FOR GAS
TYPE RE3

DESCRIPTION
The RE3 control is suitable to verify the presence of flame on gas burners. In fact it can use either a UV phototube or an electrode to exploit the flame rectification effect (ionization).

FEATURES
- in accordance with EN 60730;
- electrical service life at max. declared loading > 250,000 operations;
- compact and easy installation;
- connecting socket with screws or fast-on terminals (types A, B, N and T);
- signalization with LEDs of different colour: green (POWER) and red (FLAME).

MAIN APPLICATIONS
The RE3 flame detector is mainly used for industrial applications and for the installation of semiautomatic ignition and control systems, when it is necessary to control simultaneously and sequentially several burners.

The presence of LEDs to signalise the operation also permits the use of RE3 control simply as flame detector.

OPERATION
Supply is signalled by the turning on of the green coloured LED (POWER) fitted on the front of the plastic enclosure. A second LED, red coloured, placed next to the first one, turns on when the flame detection has occurred. This event corresponds to the switching on of the independent contacts available in output.
OVERALL DIMENSIONS

Fig.1

This control can use the connecting sockets with screw terminals mod. A, B, N or socket mod. T, for fast-on terminals, which couples with lateral bolted enclosure.

ACCESSORIES

The users' different requirements regarding flame detection for gas systems, can be met by using the following probes of our production:
- **UV1** standard phototube (Fig.2);
- **UV1/A** selected phototube;
- **UV1/H** high sensitivity phototube:
  - Case: nylon
  - Case diameter: mm 22
  - Case length: mm 85
  - Cable length: mm 600 (standard)
- **UV2/N** (Fig.3):
  - Case: nylon
  - Case diameter: mm 17
  - Case length: mm 76
  - Cable length: mm 600 (standard)

The phototube UV2/N has an intermediate sensitivity between standard and selected UV1.

As regards the phototube life, we suggest to replace it after 10,000 hours to avoid the danger of a "flame on" signal also after the flame has been extinguished, which is likely to happen when the tube gets too old.

DETECTION ELECTRODE

The detection electrode we produce can be supplied in different shapes and dimensions (see Fig.4).

TECHNICAL DATA

- **Supply:** 220-230V-50/60Hz
- **on request:** 240V-50/60Hz
- Operating temperature: 0÷60°C
- Humidity: 95% max. at 40°C
- **Case Protection Degree:** IP40
- **Power consumption in running:** 3 VA
- **Contact rating:**
  - 5A 250 V AC (cosφ = 1.0)
  - 3A 250 V AC (cosφ = 0.4)
  - 5A 30 V DC
- **External Fuse (F):** 50 mA T
- **Minimum ionization current:** 0.5μA
- **Recommended ionization current:**
  - with UV tube: > 15μA
  - with electrode: > 5μA
- **Reaction time:** < 1s

**Weight:**

- with AB socket: 280 g
- with B socket: 300 g
- with T socket: 250 g
- with N socket: 290 g
CONSTRUCTION
The plastic material made enclosure protects the control from possible damages depending on crashes, openings, dust deposit, contact with outside ambient. Two LEDs of different colour, GREEN for power on and RED for flame on, fitted on the upper side of the enclosure, permit an immediate identification of the state of burner and control; a version without signalling LEDs is also available.

DIRECTIONS FOR INSTALLATION
- Connect and disconnect the control only with supply off.
- The control can be assembled in every position.
- Avoid exposure to dripping water.
- Ventilation with the lowest temperature ensures the longest life of the control.
- Make sure that you are using the correct type and code before installing or replacing the control.

ELECTRICAL INSTALLATION
- Every contact must be protected with a fuse of the fast blow type suitable to the loads connected;
- Before starting the control, check cables and connections carefully (see Fig.5). Wrong connections can damage the control and compromise the safety of the application;
- A suitable degree of protection must be guaranteed;
- The relevant electrical safety standards must be respected.

CHECKING AT START
Always check the control before the first start and also after a long period of system off. Before any ignition attempt make sure that the combustion chamber is free from gas. Then check that the level of the flame signal is sufficient (see Fig.6a and 6b for the measuring).

APPLICATION EXAMPLES
By releasing the button PM, the ignition transformer is turned off and the operation continues until one of the following situations occurs:
- action on the manual stop button PA;
- intervention of the thermostat T;
- flame failure.
In any situation, the operation can be reset only by manual intervention on start button PM. In the same picture is also represented a duty example of the second available contact, to detect the flame in distance.

Fig.7 shows the diagram suitable to the installation of a semiautomatic system for gas burners. For the flame detection, both an ionization electrode or a phototube can be used.
Acting on the manual start button PM (with two contacts normally open) supply is given to the TR ignition transformer and the EV 1 gas valve; the manual pressure on the button must be kept until the flame is built and stable.
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