



# SCX-VFD Series Split-core Current Sensor Installation Instructions

## Introduction

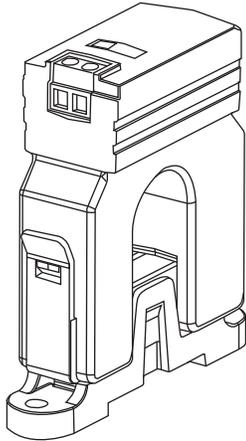
The SCX-VFD series split-core current sensor monitors line current for electrical loads such as pumps, conveyors, machine tools or fans and outputs an analog true RMS 4-20 mA signal to represent the load current. The SCX-VFD split-core series opens to allow ease of installation on existing electrical cables.

The sensor is loop powered and requires an external 15-30 VDC power supply. The power supply must be  $10 \text{ VDC} + (R_{\text{load}} \times 20 \text{ mA})$  where  $R_{\text{load}}$  is the input resistance of the device measuring the signal. So if  $R_{\text{load}}$  is  $250 \Omega$  the minimum power supply is 15 VDC. The measured AC line current can be calculated as  $I_{\text{line}} = (I_{\text{loop}} - 4 \text{ mA}) \times I_{\text{range}} / 16$ . The device is factory calibrated to  $\pm 2\%$  FSO and features either three jumper-selectable current ranges or fixed range models

The sensors are typically used to monitor motor operation and can be used to determine motor failure, belt loss, machine feed rates or tool wear.

## \*\*\* WARNING \*\*\*

- **Electric Shock Hazard, Use Caution**
- Disconnect and lock out power before installation
- Follow national and local electrical codes
- Read and understand these instructions before installing
- Installation only by qualified electrical personnel
- Do not rely on this device to indicate line power
- Only install this device on insulated conductors
- Only install on 600 VAC maximum conductors
- Do not use this device for life-safety applications
- Do not install in hazardous or classified locations
- Install this product in a suitable electrical enclosure
- Failure to follow these instructions may result in serious injury or death.



## Installation

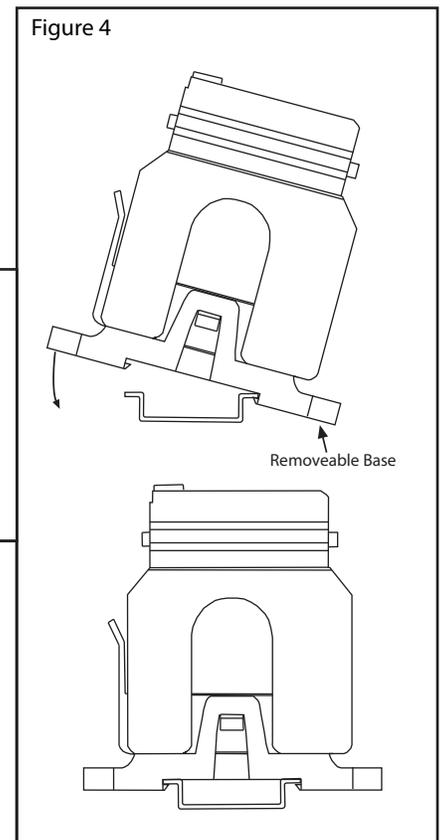
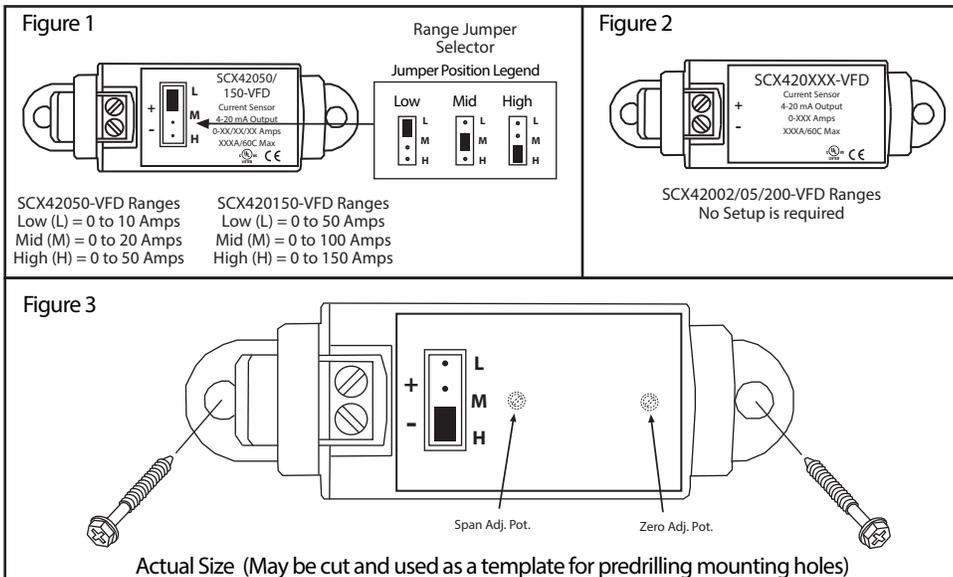
- Read all warnings before beginning
- Ensure the selected device has the correct ratings for your application
- Set the range jumper to the desired range. (See Figure 1) (The SCX42002/05/200-VFD each have one fixed range. See Figure 2)
- \*\*Disconnect and lock out power\*\*
- Mount the sensor with two screws through the base or snap onto a standard DIN mounting rail.

The base has an integral mounting tab to allow either screw mount to a surface or spring mount to a DIN rail.

To mount the device to a flat surface, select an area that will allow side and top access to wire device. If predrilling is required, the actual device may be used to mark holes or simply cut out the pattern below in Figure 3. The mounting holes in the base will accommodate up to a #10 size screw (Not supplied) . See Figure 3.

For DIN rail mounting, hook one side to the DIN rail and snap onto the rail. See Figure 4.

For ease of installation of either screw or DIN rail mounting, the base may be removed from the sensor, installed and the sensor inserted.



# Installation continued

- The SCX-VFD may be opened by slightly pulling the tab and pulling upward and swiveling the device. (See Figure 5). Place the monitored conductor (must be insulated) through the sensor hole and close the sensor until snapped into place. (See Figure 6)
- Observe polarity and wire the output to the controller. Use 14-22 AWG shielded wiring for all connections and do not locate the device wires in the same conduit with wiring used to supply inductive loads such as motors. Make all connections in accordance with national and local codes. See Figure 7.
- Ensure the controller scale matches the sensed range. See specifications for model ranges
- Reconnect the power

## Applications

The SCX-VFD series are factory calibrated to operate within  $\pm 2\%$  of FSO. If field calibration is required or a custom measurement range is desired, simply peel back the top label to expose the calibration pots. See Figure 3. The adjustment pots set the current zero (4 mA) and span (20 mA) of the device and may be adjusted by about  $\pm 20\%$  of FSO. Repeat each adjustment until both are acceptable.

For applications with load currents exceeding the sensor current ranges use an external CT to reduce the current to an acceptable value. For example, to measure a 500 Amp load current, use a 500A:5A CT and wrap the CT secondary through the SCX42005-VFD so the sensor output will be 4-20 mA = 0-500 Amps.

For applications with small load currents (such as less than 2 Amps), wrap the monitored conductor through the sensor aperture several times to increase the current measured by the sensor. For example, to measure 0-1 Amp with a SCX42005-VFD, wrap the conductor through the sensor aperture 5 times so the sensor output will be 4-20 mA = 0-1 Amp.

For external CT or multiple wrap applications, ensure the controller is scaled accordingly to obtain correct readings.

For any application with multiple wraps, note that the SCX-VFD Series maximum current rating must be divided by the number of wraps. For example, with one wrap the maximum current is 100 Amps for the 50 Amp range, with 5 wraps the maximum current is  $100/5 = 20$  Amps. Ensure the load current is  $< 20$  Amps or the device may overheat and be damaged.

Note these may not be practical applications, select the correct device for the current range required.

## Specification:

- Measurement Range:.....**SCX42002-VFD:** 0-2 Amps  
**SCX42005-VFD:** 0-5 Amps  
**SCX42050-VFD:** 0-10/20/50 Amps  
**SCX420150-VFD:** 0-50/100/150 Amps  
**SCX420200-VFD:** 0-200 Amps
- Maximum Input Current:.....**SCX42002-VFD:** 10 Amps continuous  
**SCX42005-VFD:** 15 Amps continuous  
**SCX42050-VFD:** 3x range continuous  
**SCX420150-VFD:** 2x range continuous  
**SCX420200-VFD:** 300 Amps continuous
- Accuracy:.....**SCX42050/150-VFD:**  $\pm 2\%$  FSO  
 (5-100% of range)  
**SCX42002/05/200-VFD:**  $\pm 1\%$  FSO  
 (5-100% of range)
- Signal Output:.....4-20 mA  
 Sensor Power:.....15 to 30 vdc (loop-powered)  
 Insulation Class:.....600 VAC, insulated conductors  
 Frequency:.....20-400 Hz  
 Response Time:.....250 mS Typical, 0-90 %  
 Output Load:.....250  $\Omega$  typical  
 Maximum Load:..... $> 600 \Omega$  @ 24 VDC  
 Operating Temperature:.....5° to 140 °F (-15° to 60 °C)  
 Operating Humidity:.....5 to 90% RH non-condensing  
 Terminal Block:.....14 to 22 AWG  
 Dimensions:.....3 x 3.1 x 0.98 in  
 (76 x 79 x 24.9 mm)
- Sensor Aperture:.....0.8 in (20.3 mm)  
 Enclosure Material:.....ABS/PC, UL94 V-0  
 Agency Approvals:.....cULus Listed

