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DYNAMP FLEXIBLE HIGH CURRENT PROBE

MODEL RR 30000-SD/24, 36, 48 SINGLE PHASE, CURRENT PROBE

Installation, Operation and Service Instructions

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Model RR 30000-SD Current Probe conforms to the latest European directives and standards concerning safety and electromagnetic compatibility.

European Low Voltage Directive 73/23/EEC and 93/68/EEC

European EMC Directive 89/336/EEC and 93/68/EEC

Safety Standards

EN 61010-1 Safety requirements for electrical equipment for measurement, control, and laboratory use.

EMC Standards

RF Susceptibility:

EN 50082-1 3V/m Residential, Commercial, and Light Industrial Equipment.

RF Emissions:

EN 55011, Group 1, Class B Industrial, Scientific, and Medical Equipment.

SAFETY

This product is designed to be safe under the following conditions:

- Indoor use
- Altitude up to 2000m
- Maximum R_H 80% for temperatures up to 31°C decreasing linearly to 40% R_H at 85°C

Use of this product is limited to 600V AC_{RMS} or DC between uninsulated conductor and ground and for frequencies below 1kHz.



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1. SAFETY

1.1 SAFETY SUMMARY

The following general safety precautions must be observed during all phases of operation, service, and repair of this instrument. Failure to comply with these precautions or with specific *WARNINGS* given elsewhere in this manual violates safety standards of design, manufacture, and intended use of the instrument.

The DynAmp, LLC. assumes no liability for the customer's failure to comply with these requirements.

!! WARNING !!

(Do not use until you have read this!)

Hazardous potentials may exist in the vicinity of the desired current measurements. Use locally approved safety procedures when working near these hazardous potentials. It is recommended not to install the DynAmp Flexible Current Probe around a live bus that is at a hazardous potential. If installation is not possible when the bus is inactive or turned off, always use appropriate gloves and/or equipment that are approved when working around hazardous potentials when installing the DynAmp Flexible Current Probe in the vicinity of these hazardous potentials.

The ac transducer and interconnection cable uses double insulation to protect the operator from possible high-voltage potentials of the bus. The ac transducer and interconnection cable are rated for Installation Category III, Pollution Degree 2. The maximum voltage to earth rating for the transducer and cable is 600V_{AC}. The electronics package is not double insulated or protected against hazardous potentials from connected instruments or mains adapters. Make sure the electronics package is well away from the bus and that the inputs of instruments connected to the DynAmp Flexible Current Probe outputs are not hazardous live.

1.2 SAFETY SYMBOLS

General definitions of safety symbols used on equipment or in manual.

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Direct current (power line).



Equipment protected by DOUBLE INSULATION or REINFORCED INSULATION.



Caution (refer to accompanying documents).

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2. HANDLING AND STORAGE

DynAmp products are engineered and manufactured for use in industrial environments. However, they contain sensitive electronic and mechanical components which may be damaged and fail if not handled and stored properly. All products must be handled and stored with the same care as any precision measurement instrument. Severe bumps or jolts may damage internal parts and cause malfunction or premature failure. DynAmp products are designed and assembled with conformal coating, shock mounting, and environmental seals, when appropriate or when specified. However, this protection requires that the product must be properly installed and operational before the protection is fully functional. Therefore, adequate protection from humidity, shock, and temperature must be provided during handling and storage prior to installation.

The handling and storage of equipment must be sufficient to meet the storage temperature and humidity specifications of the product and to prevent any condensation or contact with water or any other liquid. The storage location and container or crate must provide adequate protection from precipitation (rain, snow, ice) and direct water contact. Adequate shelter must be provided to prevent the accumulation of precipitation (rain, snow, ice) and water which can lead to the deterioration or failure of shipping containers or crates and cause water ingress. Storage in coastal or industrial areas subject to salt-laden or corrosive air or areas of wind-driven sand or other abrasive dust must be adequate to prevent the deterioration or failure of shipping containers or crates and cause ingress. Frequent inspection of storage areas and storage containers or crates is required to ensure proper storage conditions are being maintained.

If the shipping container or crate is opened and/or the equipment is removed for inspection prior to installation, the equipment must be repackaged in the original undamaged container or crate in the same manner as it was shipped to prevent environmental damage or placed in a storage location that meets the required environmental and storage conditions.

General product storage temperature and humidity requirements:

Storage Temperature:	-40 to 70°C
	-40 to 158°F
Storage Humidity:	85%, non-condensing

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3. SPECIFICATIONS

The specifications for the RR 30000-SD are given in table 3.1.

TABLE 3.1
MODEL RR 30000-SD SPECIFICATIONS

SIGNAL CONDITIONER	
Input:	Type RS5 Transducer
Output:	3.0VAC or ± 4.2 VPK Load >500 ohm
Output Connector:	BNC female
Switchable Scaling:	3kA/30kA @ 1mV/0.1mV per amp
Accuracy:	$\pm 1.0\%$ of full scale
Linearity:	$\pm 0.2\%$ of reading 10%...100% of full scale
Repeatability:	$\pm 0.1\%$ of reading 10%...100% of full scale
Frequency Response:	8Hz to 100kHz (-3dB points)
Phase error:	$< \pm 0.5$ maximum 50-60 Hz
Noise:	< 10.0 mV ac maximum
DC offset:	< 5.0 mV dc maximum
Temperature range:	Operational -20°C to 85°C (-4°F to 185°F Gain Change $\pm 0.08\%/^{\circ}\text{C}$ maximum DC offset ± 0.3 mV/ $^{\circ}\text{C}$ maximum)
Power:	+3.0VDC/100mA from (2) 1.5V "AA" alkaline cells or by mini power connector (2.1mm) on end of enclosure Battery life (full scale input current @ 60 Hz) 25...30 Hrs.
Controls:	Switch (Range and Power) LED Flashes once per 3 seconds if the Current Probe is on and the battery voltage is good. 3kA/OFF/30kA
Material:	ABS Plastic
Dimensions:	1.0H x 2.4W x 3.8D inches (25.4H x 71.0W x 96.5D) mm
Weight:	0.1 lbs. (0.045 kg)

**TABLE 3.1
MODEL RR 30000-SD SPECIFICATIONS (CONTINUED)**

TRANSDUCER	
Transducer Jacket	TPE rubber; double insulated; flame retardant UL 94 V-0 rated
Output Cable Jacket:	FEP Teflon; brown color
Couplings:	Polypropylene; flame retardant UL 94 V-0 rated; black color
Transducer Cover:	Silicone impregnated fiberglass; silver gray color
Minimum Bending Radius:	1.5 in. (38.1 mm)
Cable OD	0.625 in. (15.87 mm)
Coupling O.D.	0.875 in. (22.20 mm)
Connecting Cable:	Length 78.7 in. (2.0m) shielded
Temperature:	Operational -20°C to 100°C (-4°F to 212°F)
Position Sensitivity:	<±2.0% with measured bus > 1" from head
External Magnetic Field:	<±1.0% with external bus > 8" from head
Dimensions:	...SD/24 Length (Open) 24 in. (610 mm) I.D. (Closed) 8.3 in. (209.9 mm) O.D. (Closed) 7.0 in. (178.2 mm) Weight 0.4 lbs. (0.18 kg)
	...SD/36 Length (Open) 36 in. (915 mm) I.D. (Closed) 12.0 in. (305 mm) O.D. (Closed) 10.9 in. (277 mm) Weight 0.6 lbs. (0.27 kg)
	...SD/48 Length (Open) 48 in. (1220 mm) I.D. (Closed) 15.9 in. (404 mm) O.D. (Closed) 14.7 in. (372.2 mm) Weight 0.8 lbs. (0.36 kg)
Safety Rating:	Double Insulated Installation Category III, Pollution Degree 2, 600VAC to Earth
Working Voltage:	600VAC to Earth
Head/Cable Test:	5550VAC for 1 minute surface to output
ACCESSORIES:	
Standard:	Output Cable: BNC Male to BNC Male 12 in. (304.8 mm)
	Adapter: BNC Female to Dual Banana Plug

4. DESCRIPTION

4.1 OVERVIEW AND DESCRIPTION

The DynAmp Flexible High Current Probe Model RR 30000-SD is an assembly similar in purpose to a CT or current transformer. It may be used to measure ac currents from as low as several amps to a maximum of 30.0kA rms. The device output is an analog voltage that is proportional to the current in the conductor. The output signal is isolated from the hazardous conductor potential and is an exact replica of the ac current waveform in the conductor. The output signal is available via a BNC connector and is quite easily connected to many different measurement devices. Output adapters have been included with the RR 30000-SD for your convenience. These adapters allow quick connection to an oscilloscope via a BNC connector or the voltage terminals of a multimeter via banana plugs.

The RR 30000-SD comes standard with two ranges selectable by the switch mounted on the electronics package. The ranges are 3kA and 30kA yielding respectively 3kA and 30kA rms ac as the maximum current that can be measured. When the RR 30000-SD is turned on, the LED mounted behind the translucent ruby panel on the package end slowly blinks to indicate the unit is on and the battery voltage is sufficient to function properly on all ranges. This LED indication is characterized by blinking approximately once every three seconds. If no light is observed, the batteries of the RR 30000-SD should be replaced.

The RR 30000-SD comes equipped with an external mini jack located on the package. This is for those wanting to supply power to the RR 30000-SD for a longer period than the internal battery life will allow. External dc adapters are available for this purpose but are sold as an option. The power required is +3.0V_{DC}/100mA. Any external dc power supply adapter must be safety rated.

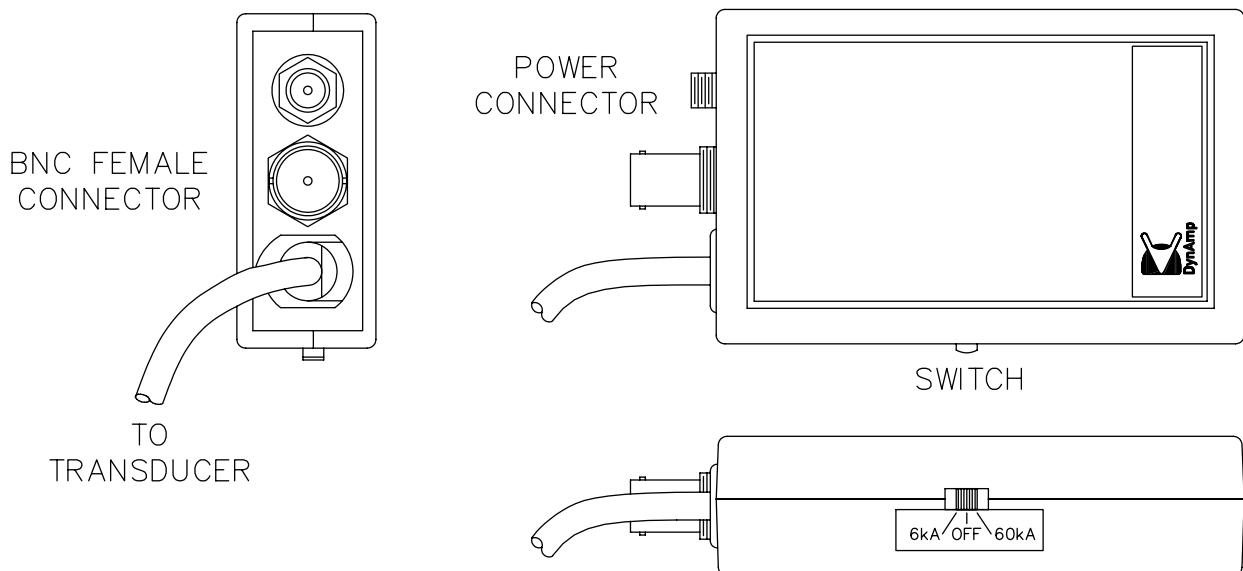


Figure 4.1
RR 30000-SD Current Probe Electronics Package

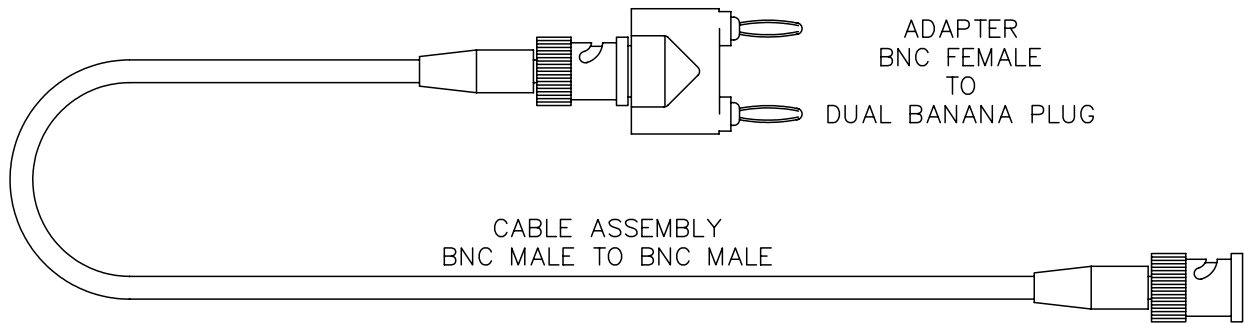


Figure 4.2
Output Signal Cable and Adapter

4.2 AC CURRENT TRANSDUCER

The RR 30000-SD design utilizes the lightweight and flexibility of the AC Current Transducer. This transducer is a versatile current probe that may be wrapped around most conductors. Three standard lengths are available. They are 24, 36, and 48 inches. It's application versatility and high-voltage isolation rating clearly distinguishes the RR 30000-SD from other current measuring methods. The measuring transducer is constructed from non-ferrous materials, minimizing any circuit loading.

The frequency response of the RR 30000-SD is wide compared to conventional CTs. This allows the user to monitor a much wider range of line harmonic components than conventional CTs allow. The RR 30000-SD was designed to be very flexible, larger in aperture and smaller in cross section than many conventional CTs. This allows measurement in tight places as never before possible.

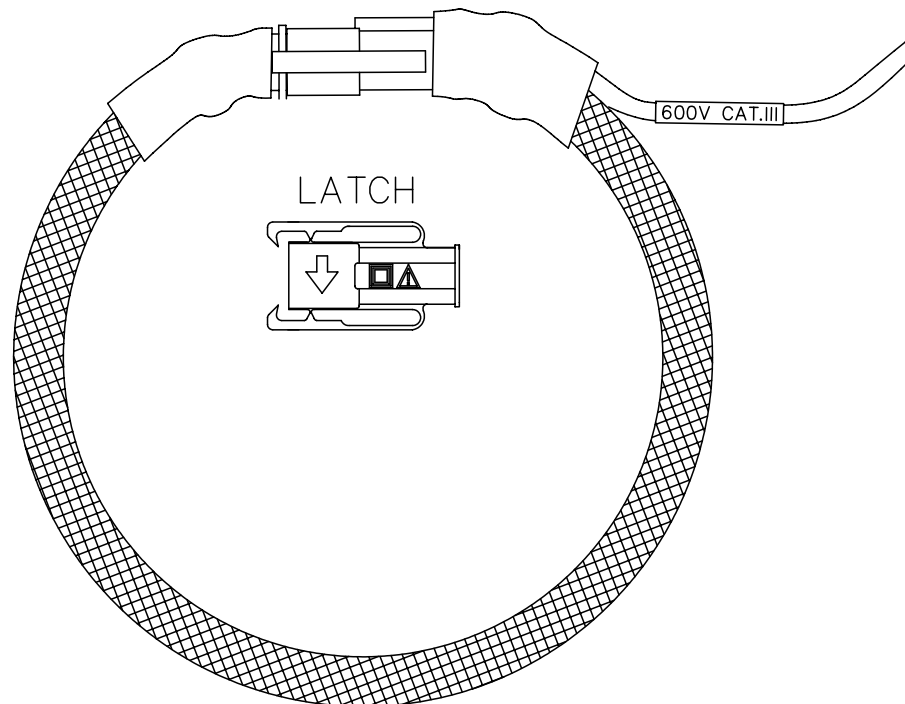


Figure 4.3
Type RS5 Flexible Transducer

The output voltage of the transducer is proportional to the product of the current and the frequency. At higher frequencies, the output voltage of the transducer may damage the input circuits of the electronics package. Refer to Chart 4.1 and Chart 4.2 for the safe operating areas of the 3kA and the 30kA range respectively.

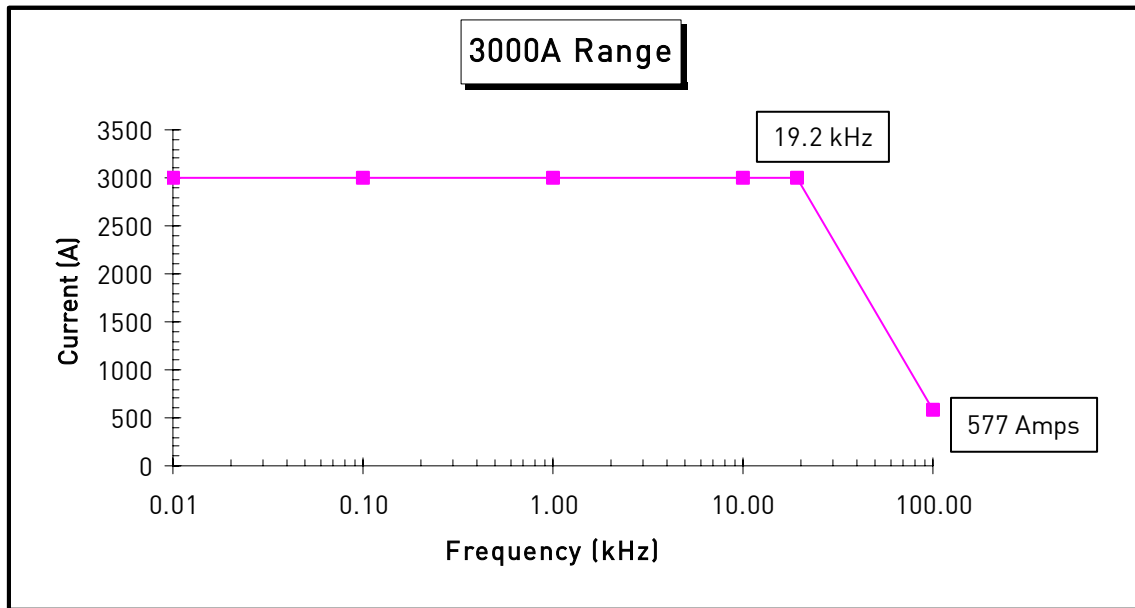


Chart 4.1
3kA Range Safe Operating Area

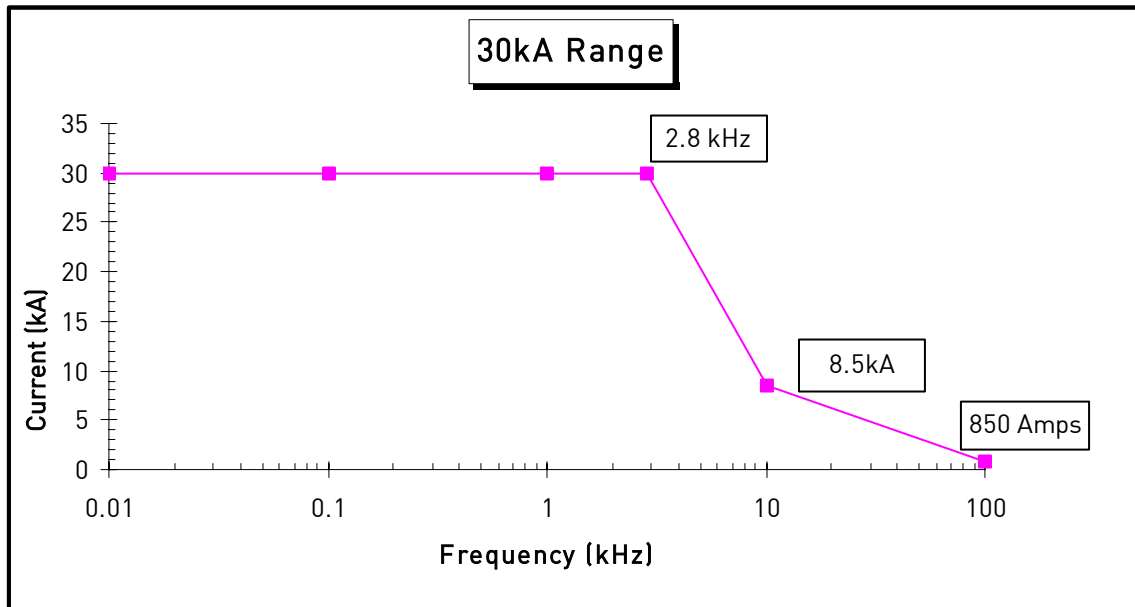


Chart 4.2
30kA Range Safe Operating Area

4.3 EXTERNAL POWER SUPPLY

The user may choose to purchase a suitable external power supply. Figure 4.4 shows the important dimensions of the power connector and the required polarity of the supply voltage. The external power supply should have the CE mark and must be rated for $+3.0V_{DC}/340mA$.

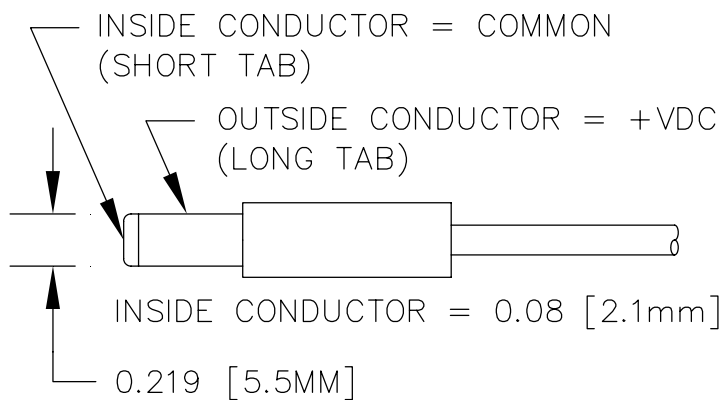


Figure 4.4
Input Power Connector

5. INSTALLATION

5.1 INSTALLATION INSTRUCTIONS

The RR 30000-SD was made to allow the operator to connect this measurement device around a conductor without disconnecting the conductor, as many CTs presently demand. Even though the Flexible Transducer output is ac, there are instances where the user will want to orient the transducer so that proper polarity will exist at the output terminals. This is done by installing the transducer around the conductor with the molded-in arrow on the latch (see Figure 4.3) pointing in the direction of conventional current flow. Conventional current flow is defined as current flowing from the positive to the negative potential.

The Flexible Transducer must be installed with the interconnection cable on the outside of the loop when the latch is engaged. The polarity arrow, the double insulation, and the warning symbols will all be on the outside of the loop. It should also be noted that the current probe will produce twice the output voltage if you wrap the transducer around the conductor twice.

There is minimal shock hazard using the RR 30000-SD, as the transducer does not generate high voltages at low frequencies. Each transducer has been Hi-Pot tested to several thousand volts with no voltage breakdown. This particular characteristic allows high-current measurement (with a wide frequency bandwidth) of conductors at less than 600V_{AC} potential to earth.

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Do not exceed the minimum bending radius of the AC Current Transducer when installing the transducer around the conductor. Exceeding the bending radius will degrade the measurement accuracy.

Make sure the AC Current Transducer and its output cable are clean before installing them around the conductor. If the transducer and cable are not clean, the contaminants on them may provide a conductive path for a high-voltage breakdown. Also, check the transducer and output cable for cuts and abrasions. Do not use the transducer if damaged.

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6. MAINTENANCE

6.1 MAINTENANCE

Preventive maintenance primarily consists of cleaning the transducers and cables to prevent surface contamination. Use a mild detergent and a damp cloth to clean the transducers and cables. Remove the detergent with a damp cloth, then wipe with a clean, dry cloth.

NOTE

The use of solvents as cleaners is not recommended unless thoroughly tested and found harmless to all surfaces and parts. Do not submerge current probe into water or other fluids.

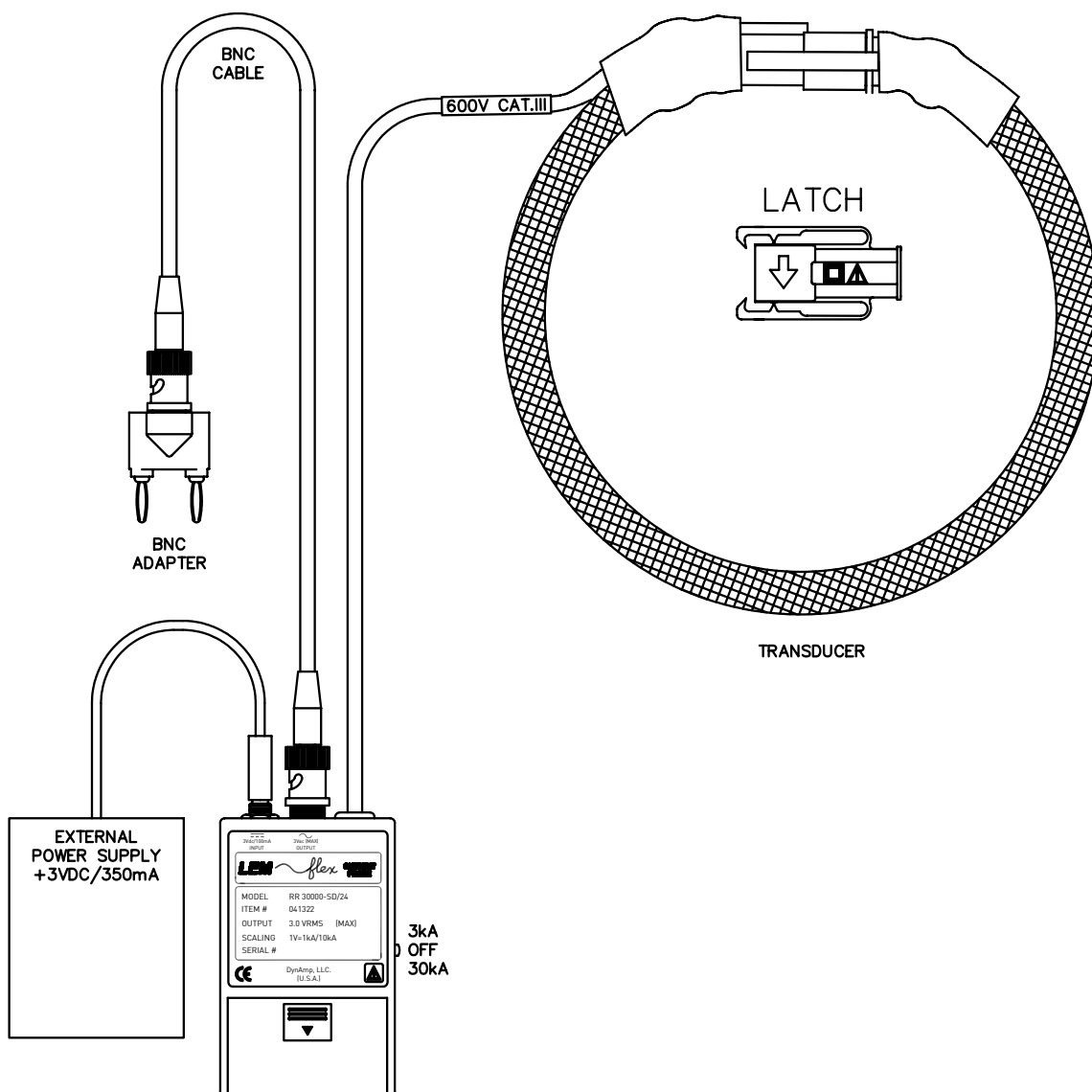


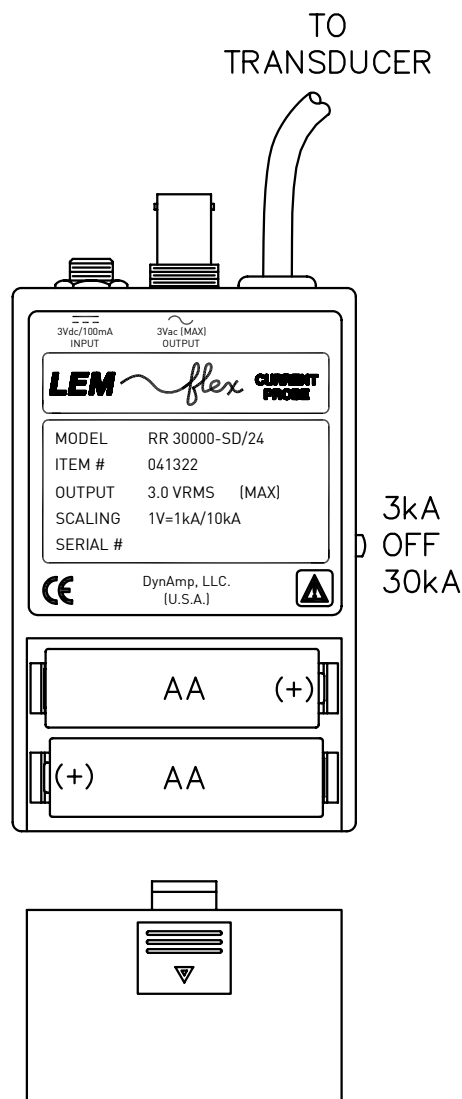
Figure 6.1
RR 30000-SD Current Probe

6.2 BATTERY REPLACEMENT

SAFETY WARNING

Before removing the battery cover, make sure that the Transducer is removed from around any active conductor.

The battery compartment may be accessed by pressing down on the arrow molded into the battery compartment cover to release the latch, then sliding the cover off. Remove the old batteries and install the new batteries in the position as shown in Figure 6.2. Slide the cover onto the enclosure until the latch engages. The batteries used in the RR 30000-SD Current Probe are type "AA" alkaline cells or equivalent. Replacement with other than the specified battery will invalidate the warranty.



**Figure 6.2
Battery Replacement**

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