



Model DF868

Service Manual
(One- and Two-Channel)



Process Control Instruments

Model DF868 (1 & 2 Channel) Multipurpose Ultrasonic Liquid Flowmeter

Service Manual

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Warranty

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2. If GE Panametrics instructs you to send your instrument to a service center, it must be shipped prepaid to the authorized repair station indicated in the shipping instructions.
3. Upon receipt, GE Panametrics will evaluate the instrument to determine the cause of the malfunction.

Then, one of the following courses of action will then be taken:

- If the damage is covered under the terms of the warranty, the instrument will be repaired at no cost to the owner and returned.
- If GE Panametrics determines that the damage is not covered under the terms of the warranty, or if the warranty has expired, an estimate for the cost of the repairs at standard rates will be provided. Upon receipt of the owner's approval to proceed, the instrument will be repaired and returned.

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Chapter 1

Calibration

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Introduction

Calibrating the Model DF868's analog outputs and inputs is explained in this chapter. In addition, testing the optional totalizer/frequency and alarm relay outputs is discussed. The following specific topics are included:

- calibrating the built-in Slot 0 analog outputs
- calibrating optional Slot 1 through Slot 6 analog outputs
- calibrating optional Slot 1 through Slot 6 analog inputs
- testing optional Slot 1 through Slot 6 alarm relays
- testing optional Slot 1 through Slot 6 totalizer/frequency outputs.

The Model DF868 electronics console includes six expansion slots for the installation of option cards. These slots are numbered 1-6, from right to left. In addition, every Model DF868 flowmeter includes two built-in analog outputs (A and B) at terminal block I/O, which is designated as Slot 0.

Note: *Convention in this manual identifies any expansion slot as Slot x, where x is a number from 0-6.*

See Chapter 1, *Installation*, of the *Startup Guide* for a complete description of the available option cards and the procedures for wiring them.

Menu Map

The *Calibration Menu* is accessed by pressing the [CAL] key on the keypad. Use this menu to calibrate and test the Slot 0 analog outputs, as well as to calibrate and test any option cards that are installed in the expansion slots. Refer to the menu map in Figure 1-6 on page 1-23 as a guide in following the calibration instructions.

Note: *The same instructions apply to both the 1-Channel and 2-Channel versions of the Model DF868 flowmeter.*

The following discussion assumes that the left screen pane is active. If the right screen pane is active, only the function key designations change. That is, replace [F1]-[F4] with [F5]-[F8]. Proceed to the appropriate sections of this chapter to calibrate and test all of the installed inputs and/or outputs.

Note: *While in the Calibration Menu, if there is no keypad activity for two minutes, the Model DF868 will automatically reboot and return to measurement mode.*

Slot 0 Analog Outputs

Every Model DF868 flowmeter includes two built-in analog outputs (A and B) at terminal block I/O, which is designated as Slot 0. Both the zero-point and full-scale values for each output must be calibrated. After calibrating the outputs, which have a resolution of 5.0 μ A (0.03% full scale), their linearity should be tested.

Note: *The zero point of the analog output may be set for either 0 mA or 4 mA. However, the calibration procedure always uses the 4 mA point, as the meter will extrapolate this value to obtain the 0 mA point.*

Prepare for the calibration procedure by connecting an ammeter to analog output A of Slot 0, as shown in Figure 1-1 below. Refer to the menu map in Figure 1-6 on page 1-23.

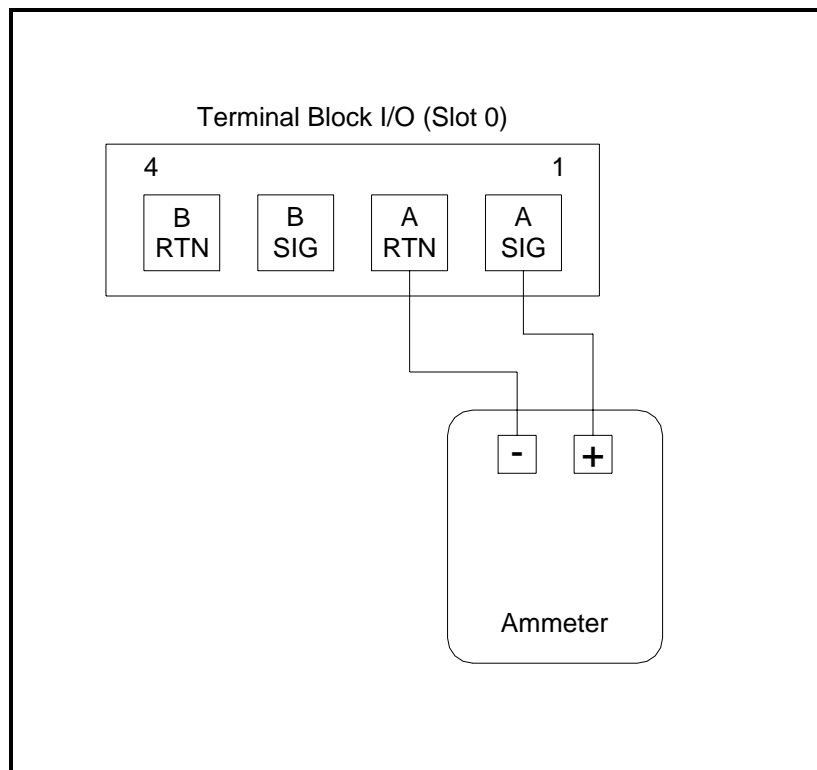
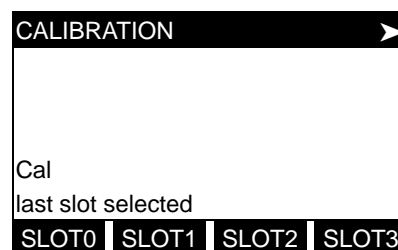


Figure 1-1: Ammeter Connection (Output A)

Press the [CAL] key to enter the *Calibration Program*:



Press [F1] to calibrate Slot 0. (The option bar will include a slot listing for each installed option card.)

Slot 0 Analog Outputs (cont.)

```

CALIBRATION
Cal
current slot selected

Slot 0 Outputs
last output selected
A | B |
    
```

Press [F1] to select output A or press [F2] to select output B.

The procedure for calibrating Output A is identical to that for calibrating Output B. However, when calibrating Output B, be sure to reconnect the ammeter to the appropriate pins on terminal block I/O. See Figure 1-1 on page 1-2 for the correct pin numbers.

```

CALIBRATION
Slot 0 Outputs
current output selected

ANALOG OUTPUT
last calibration point
4 mA | 20 mA | TEST | EXIT
    
```

Press [F1] to calibrate the low end of the output range.

```

CALIBRATION
Slot 0 Outputs
current output selected

CALIBRATING
current calibration point
UP | DOWN | Numer | STORE
    
```

Press [F1] or [F2] to adjust the ammeter reading UP or DOWN, until a 4 mA reading is achieved. Press [F4] to STORE the setting or press [→] and [F1] to ABORT the calibration.

The latest version of the Model DF868 software permits numeric entry of the calibration points. If you press [F3], Numer, the following prompt appears:

```

CALIBRATION
Slot 0 Outputs
current output selected

mA reading
4.00
    
```

Enter the numeric value and press [ENT]. Then press [F4] to STORE the setting or press [→] and [F1] to ABORT the calibration.

Note: *If the ammeter reading cannot be adjusted within 5.0 μ A of the 4 mA setting, contact the factory for assistance.*

Slot 0 Analog Outputs (cont.)

```

CALIBRATION
Slot 0 Outputs
current output selected

ANALOG OUTPUT
last calibration point
4 mA | 20 mA | TEST | EXIT
    
```

Press [F2] to calibrate the high end of the output range.

```

CALIBRATION
Slot 0 Outputs
current output selected

CALIBRATING
current calibration point
UP | DOWN | Numer | STORE
    
```

Press [F1] or [F2] to adjust the ammeter reading UP or DOWN, until a 20 mA reading is achieved. Press [F4] to STORE the setting or press [→] and [F1] to ABORT the calibration.

The latest version of the Model DF868 software permits numeric entry of the calibration points. If you press [F3], Numer, the following prompt appears:

```

CALIBRATION
Slot 0 Outputs
current output selected

mA reading
20.00
    
```

Enter the numeric value and press [ENT]. Then press [F4] to STORE the setting or press [→] and [F1] to ABORT the calibration.

Note: *If the ammeter reading cannot be adjusted within 5.0 μ A of the 20 mA setting, contact the factory for assistance.*

```

CALIBRATION
Slot 0 Outputs
current output selected

ANALOG OUTPUT
last calibration point
4 mA | 20 mA | TEST | EXIT
    
```

Press [F3] to TEST the linearity of the currently selected analog output. (Skip the following step, if linearity testing of the output is not desired at this time.)

```

CALIBRATION
Slot 0 Outputs
current output selected

% Full Scale
50.00 percent
    
```

Check the ammeter reading at the 50% output level. Then, enter a different output level (0-100%) and press [ENT]. Check the ammeter reading at this setting. Press [ENT] when done.

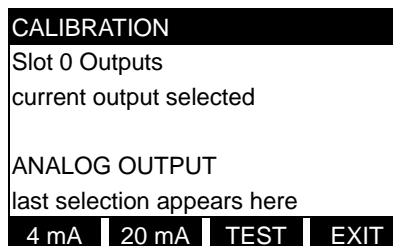
**Slot 0 Analog Outputs
(cont.)**

Table 1-1 below lists the expected ammeter readings at various % *Full Scale* settings, for both 4-20 mA and 0-20 mA scales. Refer to this table to verify the accuracy of the ammeter readings taken above.

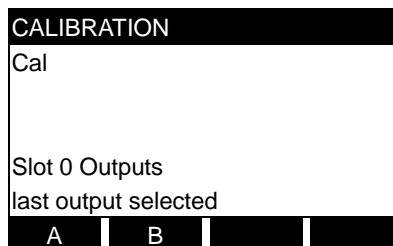
Table 1-1: Expected Ammeter Readings

| % Full Scale | 4-20 mA Scale* | 0-20 mA Scale* |
|---|-----------------------|-----------------------|
| 0 | 4.000 | 0.000 |
| 10 | 5.600 | 2.000 |
| 20 | 7.200 | 4.000 |
| 30 | 8.800 | 6.000 |
| 40 | 10.400 | 8.000 |
| 50 | 12.000 | 10.000 |
| 60 | 13.600 | 12.000 |
| 70 | 15.200 | 14.000 |
| 80 | 16.800 | 16.000 |
| 90 | 18.400 | 18.000 |
| 100 | 20.000 | 20.000 |
| * All ammeter readings should be ± 0.005 mA | | |

If the linearity test readings are not within 5 μ A of the values listed in Table 1-1 above, check the accuracy and wiring of the ammeter. Then, repeat the low and high end calibrations. If the analog output still does not pass the linearity test, contact the factory for assistance.



Press [F4] to select EXIT and return to the Slot 0 Outputs prompt.



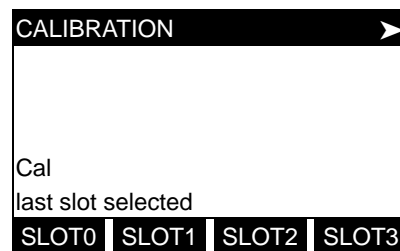
Press [EXIT] to return to the Cal prompt and press [EXIT] again to leave the *Calibration Menu*.

Analog Outputs Option Card

Additional analog outputs may be added to the Model DF868 by installing an *Analog Outputs Option Card* in one (or more) of the six expansion slots. Each option card contains four analog outputs, which are designated as A, B, C and D. Both the zero-point and full-scale values for each output must be calibrated. After calibrating the outputs, which have a resolution of 5.0 μ A (0.03% full scale), their linearity should be tested.

Note: *The zero point of the analog output may be set for either 0 mA or 4 mA. However, the calibration procedure always uses the 4 mA point, as the meter will extrapolate this value to obtain the 0 mA point.*

For this discussion, assume that the option card has been installed in Slot x. Prepare for the calibration procedure by connecting an ammeter to analog output A of Slot x, as shown in Figure 1-2 on page 1-7. Refer to the menu map in Figure 1-6 on page 1-23 as a guide. Press the [CAL] key to enter the *Calibration Program*:



Press [Fx] to calibrate Slot x. (The option bar will include a slot listing for each installed option card.)

Analog Outputs Option Card (cont.)

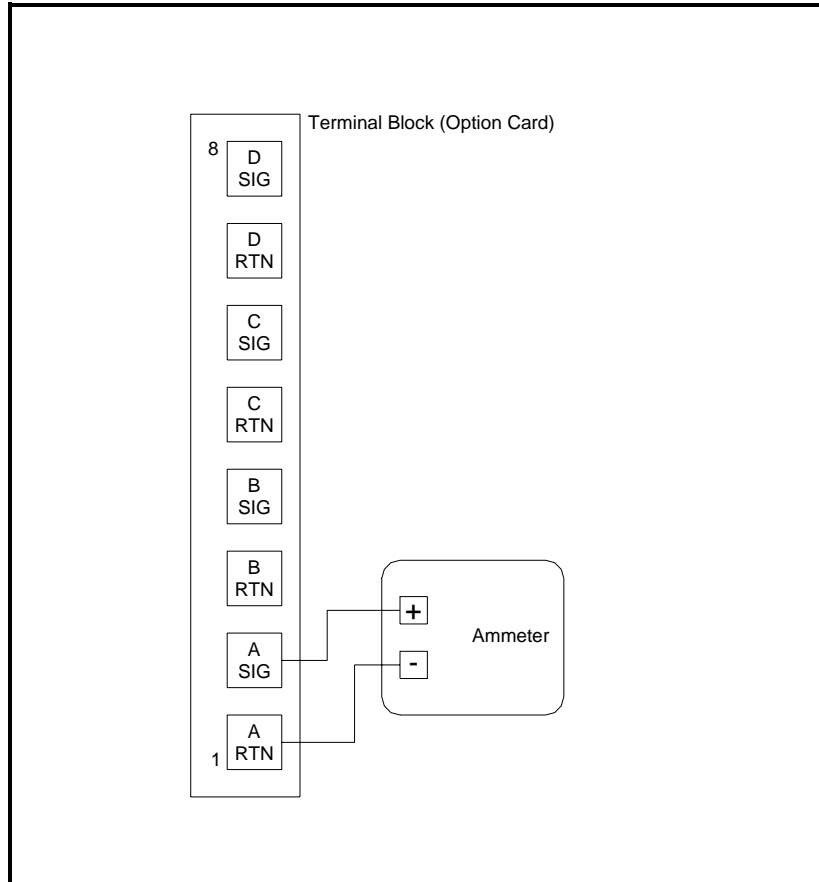
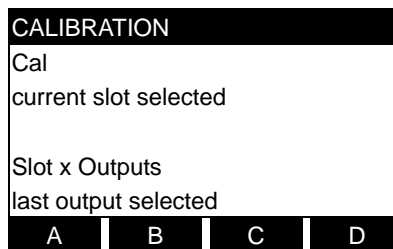
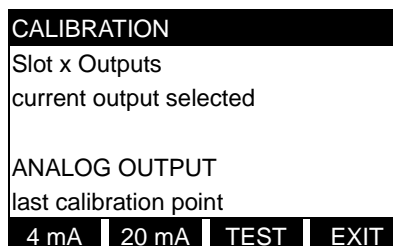


Figure 1-2: Ammeter Connection (Output A)



Press [F1] to select output A, [F2] to select output B, [F3] to select output C or [F4] to select output D.

The procedure for calibrating Output A is identical to that for calibrating the other outputs. However, when calibrating the other outputs, be sure to reconnect the ammeter to the appropriate pins on the terminal block. See Figure 1-2 above for the correct pin numbers.



Press [F1] to calibrate the low end of the output range.

Analog Outputs Option Card (cont.)

```

CALIBRATION
Slot x Outputs
current output selected

CALIBRATING
current calibration point

UP | DOWN | Numer | STORE
    
```

Press [F1] or [F2] to adjust the ammeter reading UP or DOWN, until a 4 mA reading is achieved. Press [F4] to STORE the setting or press [→] and [F1] to ABORT the calibration.

The latest version of the Model DF868 software permits numeric entry of the calibration points. If you press [F3], Numer, the following prompt appears:

```

CALIBRATION
Slot 0 Outputs
current output selected

mA reading
4.00

| | |
    
```

Enter the numeric value and press [ENT]. Then press [F4] to STORE the setting or press [→] and [F1] to ABORT the calibration.

Note: *If the ammeter reading cannot be adjusted within 5.0 μ A of the 4 mA setting, contact the factory for assistance.*

```

CALIBRATION
Slot x Outputs
current output selected

ANALOG OUTPUT
last calibration point

4 mA | 20 mA | TEST | EXIT
    
```

Press [F2] to calibrate the high end of the output range.

```

CALIBRATION
Slot x Outputs
current output selected

CALIBRATING
current calibration point

UP | DOWN | Numer | STORE
    
```

Press [F1] or [F2] to adjust the ammeter reading UP or DOWN, until a 20 mA reading is achieved. Press [F4] to STORE the setting or press [→] and [F1] to ABORT the calibration.

Note: *If the ammeter reading cannot be adjusted within 5.0 μ A of the 20 mA setting, contact the factory for assistance.*

If you press [F3], Numer, the following prompt appears:

Analog Outputs Option Card (cont.)

```

CALIBRATION
Slot 0 Outputs
current output selected

mA reading
4.00
    
```

Enter the numeric value and press [ENT]. Then press [F4] to STORE the setting or press [→] and [F1] to ABORT the calibration.

```

CALIBRATION
Slot x Outputs
current output selected

ANALOG OUTPUT
last calibration point
4 mA | 20 mA | TEST | EXIT
    
```

Press [F3] to TEST the linearity of the currently selected analog output. (Skip the following step, if linearity testing of the output is not desired at this time.)

```

CALIBRATION
Slot x Outputs
current output selected

% Full Scale
50.00 percent
    
```

Check the ammeter reading at the 50% output level. Then, enter a different output level (0-100%) and press [ENT]. Check the ammeter reading at this setting. Press [ENT] when done.

Table 1-1 on page 1-5 lists the expected ammeter readings at various % Full Scale settings, for both 4-20 mA and 0-20 mA scales. Refer to this table to verify the accuracy of the ammeter readings taken above.

If the linearity test readings are not within 5 μ A of the values listed in Table 1-1 on page 1-5, check the accuracy and wiring of the ammeter. Then, repeat the low and high end calibrations. If the analog output still does not pass the linearity test, contact the factory for assistance.

```

CALIBRATION
Slot x Outputs
current output selected

ANALOG OUTPUT
last selection appears here
4 mA | 20 mA | TEST | EXIT
    
```

Press [F4] to select EXIT and return to the Slot x Outputs prompt.

```

CALIBRATION
Cal

Slot x Outputs
last output selected
A | B |
    
```

Press [EXIT] to return to the Cal prompt and press [EXIT] again to leave the *Calibration Menu*.

Analog Input/RTD Option Card

Analog inputs may be added to the Model DF868 flowmeter by installing an *Analog Inputs Option Card* in one (or more) of the six expansion slots. The option card contains two analog inputs, which are designated as A and B. Each of the inputs must be calibrated at both the zero-point and full-scale values. After calibrating the inputs, their linearity should be tested.

Calibration of the analog inputs requires the use of a calibrated current source. If an independent calibrated current source is not available, one of the Slot 0 analog outputs may be used for the calibration. During the analog input calibration, the Slot 0 analog output will supply the low reference, high reference, 4 mA and 20 mA signals at the appropriate times.

Note: *If a Slot 0 analog output will be used to calibrate the analog inputs, make sure that the Slot 0 analog output calibration procedure has already been completed.*

Connect the Slot 0 analog output(s) (or an independent calibrated current source) to the analog input(s) on the option card, as shown in Figure 1-3 below. Refer to the menu map in Figure 1-6 on page 1-23 as a guide.

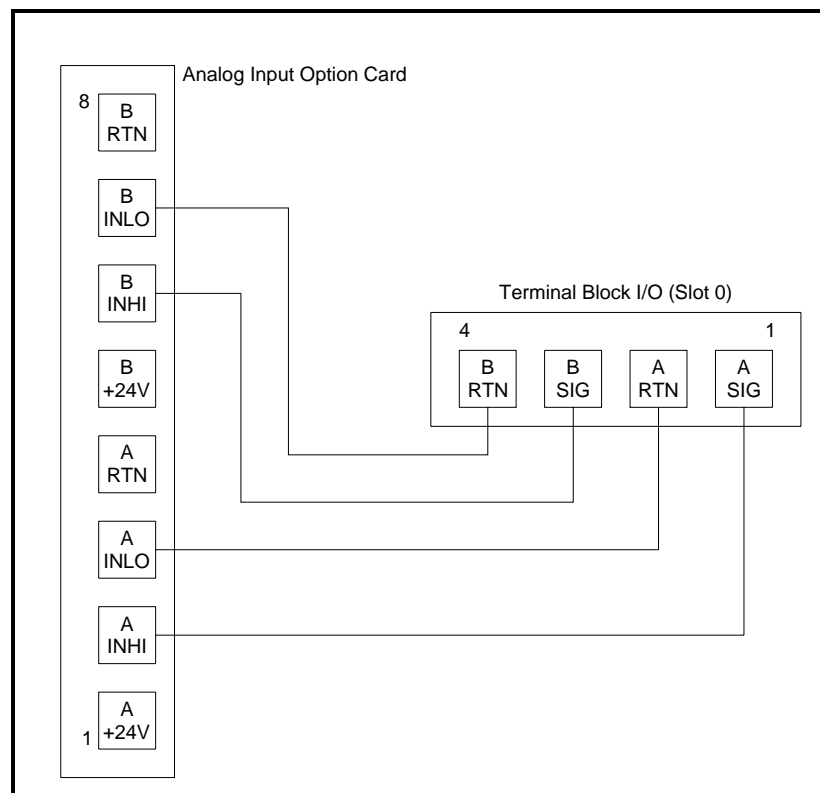
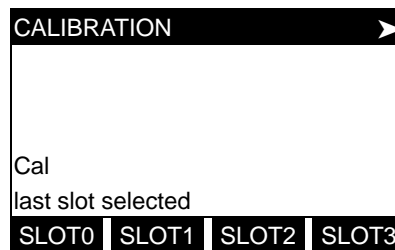


Figure 1-3: Analog Input Calibration Connections

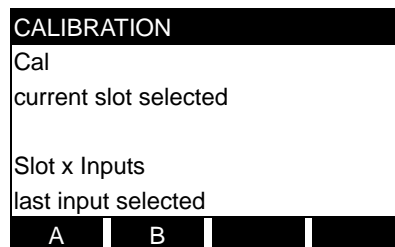
Analog Inputs Option Card (cont.)

For this discussion, assume that the option card has been installed in Slot x. Press the [CAL] key to enter the *Calibration Program*:

Note: *The zero point of the analog input may be set for either 0 mA or 4 mA. However, the calibration procedure always uses the 4 mA point, as the meter will extrapolate this value to obtain the 0 mA point.*



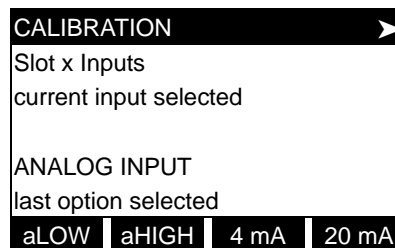
Press [Fx] to calibrate Slot x. (The option bar will include a slot listing for each installed option card.)



Press [F1] to select input A or [F2] to select input B.

The procedure for calibrating Input A is identical to that for calibrating Input B. However, when calibrating Input B, be sure a calibrated current source is connected to the appropriate pins on the terminal block. See Figure 1-3 on page 1-10 for the correct pin numbers.

0/4-20 mA Input Card



Press [F1]-[F4] to select the reference point to be calibrated.

Proceed to the corresponding sub-section for specific instructions on each of the options shown above.

aLOW Option = [F1]

If [F1] was pressed at the ANALOG INPUT prompt, the following screens appear:

```
CALIBRATION
Slot x Inputs
current input appears here

LOW REFERENCE
current value appears here
| | | |
```

Enter the low reference value and press the [ENT] key.

```
CALIBRATION
Slot x Inputs
current input appears here

LOW REF
current value appears here
STORE | ABORT | |
```

Press [F1] to store the current low reference value or press [F2] to cancel the entry. In either case, the ANALOG INPUT prompt will reappear.

aHIGH Option = [F2]

If [F2] was pressed at the ANALOG INPUT prompt, the following screens appear:

```
CALIBRATION
Slot x Inputs
current input appears here

HIGH REFERENCE
current value appears here
| | | |
```

Enter the high reference value and press the [ENT] key.

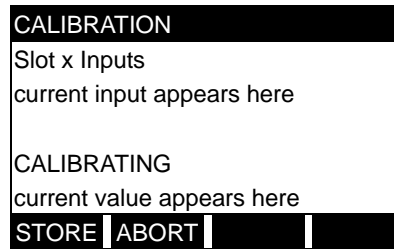
```
CALIBRATION
Slot x Inputs
current input appears here

HIGH REF
current value appears here
STORE | ABORT | |
```

Press [F1] to store the current high reference value or press [F2] to cancel the entry. In either case, the ANALOG INPUT prompt will reappear.

4 mA Option = [F3]

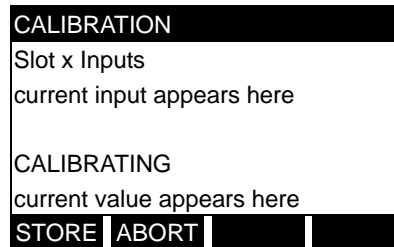
Connect the 4 mA current source to the currently selected analog input, as shown in Figure 1-3 on page 1-10. If [F3] was pressed at the ANALOG INPUT prompt, the following screen appears:



Press [F1] to store the current 4 mA value or press [F2] to cancel the entry. In either case, the ANALOG INPUT prompt reappears.

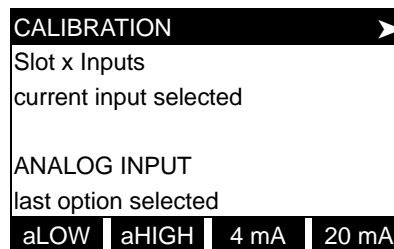
20 mA Option = [F4]

Connect the 20 mA current source to the currently selected analog input, as shown in Figure 1-3 on page 1-10. If [F4] was pressed at the ANALOG INPUT prompt, the following screen appears:

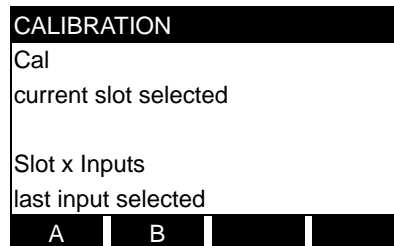


Press [F1] to store the current 20 mA value or press [F2] to cancel the entry. In either case, the ANALOG INPUT prompt reappears.

After programming of the selected analog input option has been completed, the programming sequence resumes here.



Press [→] and [F1] to select EXIT.



Select another input to calibrate or press [EXIT] to return to the Cal prompt. Then, select another slot to calibrate or press [EXIT] again to leave the *Calibration Menu*.

RTD Option Card

If you have installed an RTD option card, the following screen appears:

```

CALIBRATION
Slot x Inputs
current input selected

RTD CALIBRAT
last option selected
Probe | Numer |
    
```

Press [F1] to select the Probe method of calibration, or [F2] to select the numeric method.

IMPORTANT: Use only one option for RTD calibration. Do not try to calibrate with both options.

Probe Option = [F1]

If you press Probe, [F1], the following screen appears:

```

CALIBRATION
Cal
current slot selected

Slot x Inputs
last input selected
A | B |
    
```

Press [F1] to select Input A, or [F2] to select Input B.

```

CALIBRATION
Slot x Inputs
last input selected

ANALOG INPUT
last option selected
SetPt | Slope |
    
```

Press [F1] to enter the set point temperature (formerly known as the zero point).

```

CALIBRATION
Slot x Inputs
last input selected

SET POINT TEMP
current value appears here
| | |
    
```

Enter the desired set point temperature, and press [ENT].

```

CALIBRATION
SET POINT TEMP
last temperature entered

SET POINT
current value appears here
STORE | ABORT |
    
```

Press [F1] to STORE the entered temperature, or [F2] to ABORT the calibration. In either case, the screen returns to the ANALOG INPUT prompt.

Probe Option = [F1]
(cont.)

```

CALIBRATION
Slot x Inputs
last input selected

ANALOG INPUT
RTD Set Point
SetPt | Slope |
    
```

Press [F2] to enter the slope point temperature (formerly known as the full scale point).

```

CALIBRATION
Slot x Inputs
last input selected

SLOPE POINT TEMP
current value appears here
| | |
    
```

Enter the desired slope point temperature, and press [ENT].

```

CALIBRATION
SLOPE POINT TEMP
last temperature entered

SLOPE POINT
current value appears here
STORE | ABORT |
    
```

Press [F1] to STORE the entered temperature, or [F2] to ABORT the calibration. In either case, the screen returns to the ANALOG INPUT prompt.

```

CALIBRATION
Slot x Inputs
last input selected

ANALOG INPUT
RTD Slope Point
SetPt | Slope |
    
```

Press [EXIT] to calibrate another input.

```

CALIBRATION
Cal
current slot selected

Slot x Inputs
last input selected
A | B |
    
```

Select another input to calibrate or press [EXIT] to return to the Cal prompt. Then, select another slot to calibrate or press [EXIT] again to leave the *Calibration Menu*.

Numer Option = [F2]

The Numer option enables you to enter the Set Temperature and the slope of the RTD input in points/degree, allowing absolute control over RTD calibration.

If you press Numer, [F2], the following screen appears:

```

CALIBRATION
Cal
current slot selected

Slot x Inputs
last input selected
A | B |
    
```

Press [F1] to select Input A, or [F2] to select Input B.

```

CALIBRATION
Slot x Inputs
last input selected

ANALOG INPUT
last option selected
Set# | Slop# |
    
```

Press [F1] to enter the set number (formerly known as the zero point).

```

CALIBRATION
Slot x Inputs
last input selected

SET POINT TEMP
current value appears here
| | |
    
```

Enter the set point temperature, and press [ENT].

Numer Option = [F2]
(cont.)

```

CALIBRATION
SET POINT TEMP
current value appears here

RTD Set Point
current number appears here
    
```

The program then asks for the set point number. Enter the desired number, and press [ENT].

```

CALIBRATION
Slot x Inputs
last input selected

ANALOG INPUT
last option selected
Set# | Slope# |
    
```

Press [F2] to enter the slope number.

```

CALIBRATION
Slot x Inputs
last input selected

RTD Slope
last number entered
    
```

Enter the RTD slope number and press [ENT].

```

CALIBRATION
Slot x Inputs
last input selected

ANALOG INPUT
RTD Slope Number
SetPt | Slope |
    
```

Press [EXIT] to calibrate another input.

```

CALIBRATION
Cal
current slot selected

Slot x Inputs
last input selected
A | B |
    
```

Select another input to calibrate or press [EXIT] to return to the Cal prompt. Then, select another slot to calibrate or press [EXIT] again to leave the *Calibration Menu*.

Alarms Option Card

Alarm relays may be added to the Model DF868 by installing an *Alarms Option Card* in one (or more) of the six expansion slots. Each option card includes three alarm relays, which are designated as A, B, and C. To test the alarm relays, connect an ohmmeter to the option card terminal block as shown in Figure 1-4 below. Refer to the menu map in Figure 1-6 on page 1-23 as a guide.

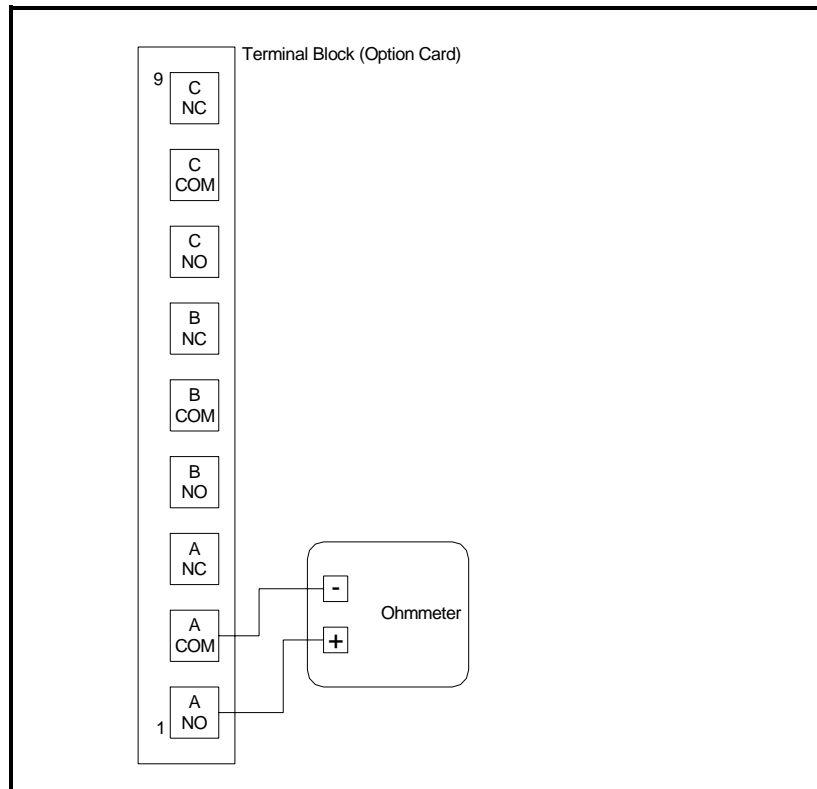
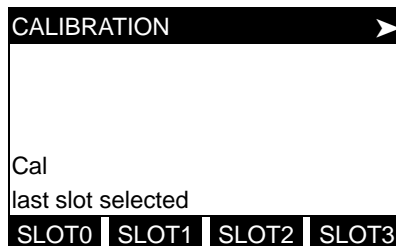


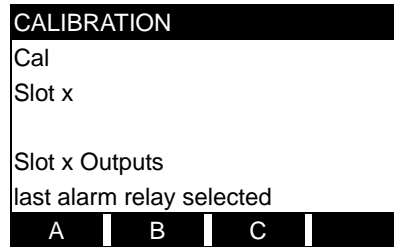
Figure 1-4: Typical Ohmmeter Connections

For this discussion, assume that the option card has been installed in Slot x. Press the [CAL] key to enter the *Calibration Program*:



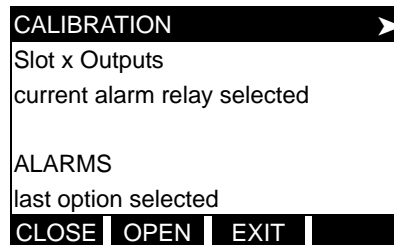
Press [Fx] to select Slot x. (The option bar will include a slot listing for each installed option card.)

**Alarms Option Card
(cont.)**

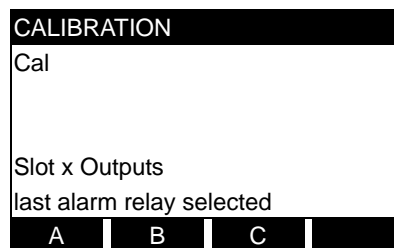


Press [F1]-[F3] to select alarm relay A, B or C, respectively.

The procedure for testing Alarm Relay A is identical to that for testing Alarm Relays B and C. However, make sure that the ohmmeter is connected to the desired normally-open or normally-closed contact of the currently selected relay. See Figure 1-4 on page 1-18 for the correct pin numbers on the option card terminal block.



Pressing [F1] should yield an ohmmeter reading of about zero. Pressing [F2] should yield an infinite ohmmeter reading. Then, press [F3] to EXIT.



Select another alarm relay to test or press [EXIT] to return to the Cal prompt. Then, select another slot to calibrate or press [EXIT] again to leave the *Calibration Menu*.

Repeat the above procedure until both the normally-open and normally-closed contacts for all three alarm relays have been tested.

Totalizer/Frequency Option Card

Totalizer/Frequency outputs may be added to the Model DF868 by installing a *Totalizer/Frequency Option Card* in one (or more) of the six expansion slots. Each option card includes four outputs, which are designated as A, B, C and D. To test the outputs, connect a frequency counter to the card's terminal block as shown in Figure 1-5 below. Refer to the menu map in Figure 1-6 on page 1-23 as a guide.

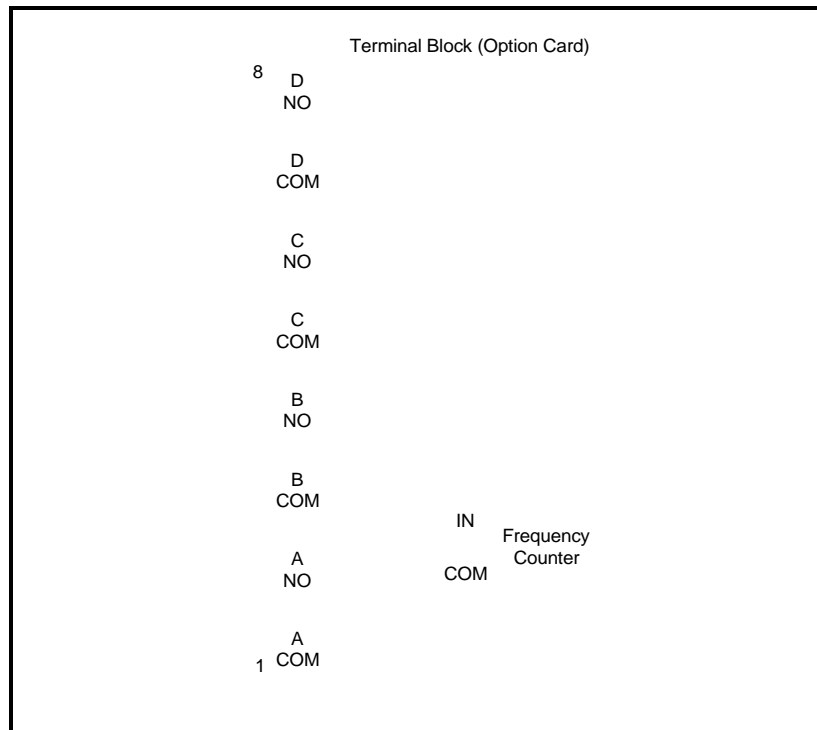
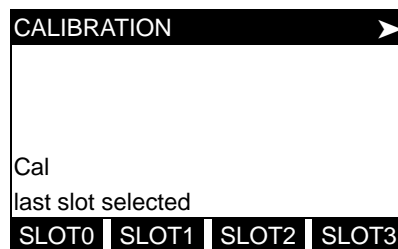
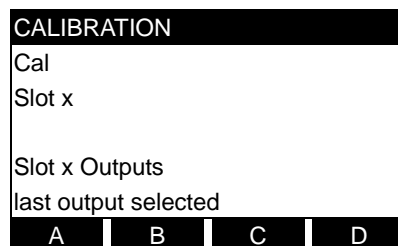


Figure 1-5: Frequency Counter Connections

For this discussion, assume that the option card has been installed in Slot x. Press the [CAL] key to enter the *Calibration Program*:



Press [Fx] to select Slot x. (The option bar will include a slot listing for each installed option card.)



Press [F1]-[F4] to select output A, B, C or D, respectively.

**Totalizer/Frequency
Option Card (cont.)**

```

CALIBRATION
Slot x Outputs
current output selected

FREQUENCY
current frequency appears here
    
```

Enter a new frequency in the range of 1-10,000 Hz and press the [ENT] key. Verify that the frequency counter reads the correct value.

```

CALIBRATION
FREQUENCY
current frequency appears here

PULSES
current # pulses appears here
    
```

Enter the number of pulses desired (between 1 and 10,000) and press the [ENT] key. That number of pulses will then be output at the specified frequency.

```

CALIBRATION
Cal
Slot x

Slot x Outputs
last output selected
  A | B | C | D
    
```

Select another output to test or press [EXIT] to return to the Cal prompt. Then, select another slot to calibrate or press [EXIT] again to leave the *Calibration Menu*.

Repeat the above procedure to test all four of the frequency/totalizer outputs. If any of the outputs fails to pass the test, contact GE Panametrics for assistance.

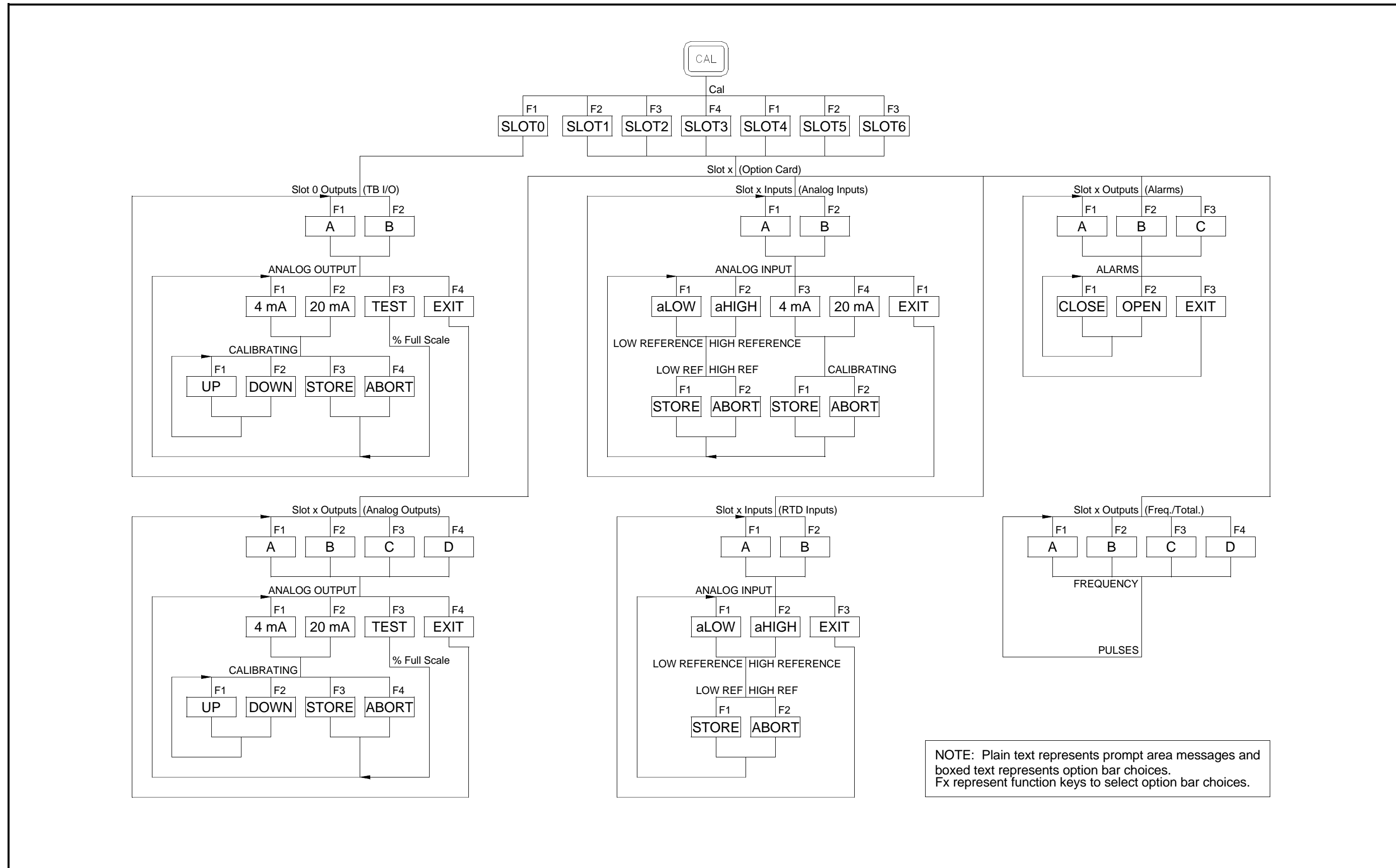


Figure 1-6: Calibration Menu Map

Chapter 2

Error Codes and Screen Messages

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Introduction

The Model DF868 ultrasonic flowmeter is a reliable, easy to maintain instrument. When properly installed and operated, as described in the *Startup Guide*, the meter provides accurate flow rate measurements with minimal user intervention. However, if a problem should arise with the electronics console, the transducers or the flowcell, a built-in error code message system greatly simplifies the troubleshooting process.

All of the possible Model DF868 error code messages are discussed in this chapter, along with the possible causes and the recommended actions. When an error code is generated, it will appear on the active pane of the display screen in the location shown in Figure 2-1 below.

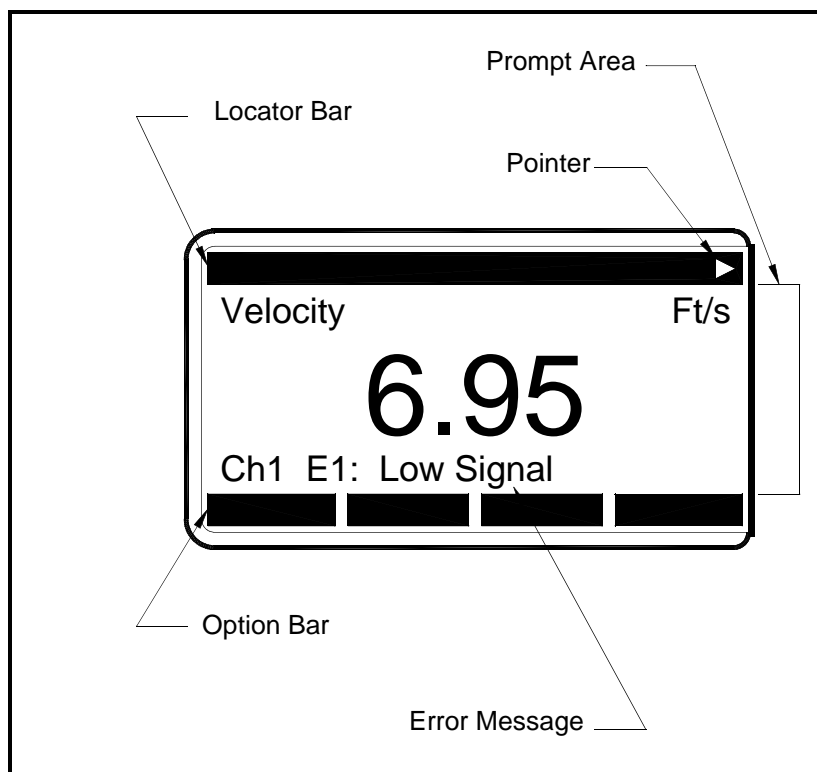


Figure 2-1: A Typical Display Screen

Note: For a 2-Channel Model DF868, the channel number is displayed in front of the error message. Only the error message appears with a 1-Channel Model DF868.

If an error message appears on the display screen during operation of the Model DF868, refer to the appropriate section of this chapter for instructions on how to proceed.

E0: No Error

Problem: No error condition currently exists.

Cause: This message appears briefly to confirm that the response to another error message has corrected the problem.

Action: No action is required.

E1: Low Signal

Problem: Poor ultrasonic signal strength or the signal exceeds the limits entered via the *User Program*.

Cause: Poor signal strength may be caused by a defective cable, a flowcell problem, a defective transducer or a problem in the electronics console. A signal that exceeds the programmed limits is probably caused by the entry of an improper value in the SETUP SIGNAL submenu of the *User Program*.

Action: Using the procedures in Chapter 3, *Diagnostics*, check the components listed above. Also, check the value programmed into the SETUP SIGNAL submenu, as described in the *Programming Manual* (page 1-49 for the 1-channel DF868, or page 1-35 for the 2-channel DF868).

E2: Sound Speed Error

Problem: The sound speed exceeds the limits programmed in the SETUP SIGNAL submenu of the *User Program*.

Cause: The error may be caused by incorrect programming, poor flow conditions or poor transducer spacing.

Action: Compare the measured sound speed to tabulated nominal values for the fluid being used and correct any programming errors. Refer to Chapter 3, *Diagnostics*, to correct any flowcell and/or transducer problems (pages 3-5 to 3-8).

E3: Velocity Range

Problem: The velocity exceeds the limits programmed in the SETUP submenu of the *User Program*.

Cause: This error may be caused by the entry of improper programming data or by poor flow conditions and/or excessive turbulence.

Action: Make sure the actual flow rate is within the programmed limits. See the *Programming Manual* for details. Refer to Chapter 3, *Diagnostics*, to correct any flowcell and/or transducer problems (pages 3-5 to 3-8).

E4: Signal Quality

Problem: The signal quality is outside the limits programmed in the SETUP submenu of the *User Program*.

Cause: Too high a signal strength may be caused by the failure of an electronic component. Too low a signal strength may be caused by a flowcell or electrical problem.

Action: Check for sources of electrical interference and verify the integrity of the electronics console by temporarily substituting a test flowcell that is known to be good. Check the transducers and relocate them, if necessary. See Chapter 3, *Diagnostics*, for instructions.

E5: Amplitude Error

Problem: The signal amplitude exceeds the limits programmed in the SETUP submenu of the *User Program*.

Cause: Excessive levels of an attenuating gas, such as CO₂, are present in the flowcell. Solid or liquid particulates may be present in the flowcell.

Action: Refer to Chapter 3, *Diagnostics*, to correct any flowcell problems (page 3-5).

E6: Cycle Skip, Accel.

Problem: The acceleration exceeds the limits programmed in the SETUP submenu of the *User Program*.

Cause: This condition is usually caused by poor flow conditions or improper transducer spacing.

Action: Refer to Chapter 3, *Diagnostics*, to correct any flowcell and/or transducer problems (pages 3-5 to 3-8).

E7: Special Input

Problem: This message indicates a 4-20 mA input programmed for a special diagnostic is out of valid input range.

Cause: Bad connection between transmitting device and input card, broken transmitter, or broken analog input on option card.

Action: Test analog input, verify wiring, test transmitter.

- E8: Temp In Supply**
- Problem:** This message indicates a temperature input supply error.
- Cause:** The temperature exceeds the specified limits for the analog inputs option card.
- Action:** Check the temperature transmitter and the connecting cable. Refer to Chapter 1, *Calibration*, and recalibrate the analog inputs on the option card (page 1-10).
- E9: Temp In Return**
- Problem:** This message indicates a temperature input return error.
- Cause:** The temperature exceeds the specified limits for the analog inputs option card.
- Action:** Check the pressure transmitter and the connecting cable. Refer to Chapter 1, *Calibration*, and recalibrate the analog inputs on the option card (page 1-10).
- E10: Weak Signal**
- Problem:** This message indicates a weak signal.
- Cause:** The magnitude of the two-phase signal is not large enough or the flow rate in the pipe is out of range.
- Action:** Check the pipe and setup parameters and the transducer connections. The process may not include enough two-phase content — switch to transit-time mode.
- E11: Poor Signal**
- Problem:** This message indicates a poor signal.
- Cause:** The shape of the processed signal is not good enough to formulate a flow measurement.
- Action:** Check the pipe and setup parameters and the transducer connections. The process may not include enough two-phase content — switch to transit-time mode.
- E12: Incoherent Signal**
- Problem:** This message indicates an incoherent signal.
- Cause:** The flow measurements, as determined by the two Repetition Periods, are too dissimilar.
- Action:** Check the pipe and setup parameters and the transducer connections. The process may not include enough two-phase content — switch to transit-time mode.

E13: Over Range

Problem: This error code message indicates that the present measurement exceeds the capacity of the meter.

Cause: A internal mathematical overflow has occurred in either the volumetric or mass flow calculations.

Action: Select larger measurement units or a shorter time interval for the current measurement parameter. For example, choose KSCF/M instead of SCF/M. See the *Startup Guide* for instructions.

E14: Totals Overflow

Problem: The totalizers are unable to keep up with the total flow signals.

Cause: The programmed units/pulse value is too small.

Action: Select a larger number of units/pulse value.

Screen Messages

A variety of messages may appear on the display screen during the performance of a task. Since the error codes have already been discussed in this chapter and the locator bar messages are discussed in detail in Chapter 3, *Operation*, of the *Startup Guide*, they will not be repeated here. All other messages are listed in Table 2-1 below.

Table 2-1: Screen Messages

| Message | Meaning |
|----------------------------------|--|
| Power Up Messages | |
| Backup Battery FAIL | The backup battery that powers the non-volatile RAM has failed. Contact the factory. |
| Backup Battery OK | The backup battery that powers the non-volatile RAM has passed. |
| DSP Processor OK | The DSP (digital signal processor) has passed. |
| DSP RAM Failed | The DSP (digital signal processor) RAM has failed. Contact the factory. |
| DSP RAM OK | The DSP (digital signal processor) RAM has passed. |
| EPROM sum = XXXX | Record the EPROM sum at the initial power up and periodically thereafter. |
| FRIGID_INIT Executed | The NVR (non-volatile RAM) was automatically initialized due to a memory fault. Contact the factory. |
| NVR FAIL | The non-volatile RAM has failed. Contact the factory. |
| NVR OK | The non-volatile RAM has passed. |
| Measurement Mode Messages | |
| All Logs Cleared! hit key | This message may appear during one of the following tasks: <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. clearing a log - there are no more logs to clear 2. logging data - user has hit [ENT] instead of selecting an old log or entering a new name 3. printing a log - there are no logs to print 4. displaying a log - there are no logs to display Hit any key to resume taking measurements. |
| All Sites Cleared! hit key | This message may appear during one of the following tasks: <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. saving a new site - a new site name was not entered or overwrite existing site was not selected 2. recalling a site - there are no site files to recall 3. clearing a site - there are no sites to delete 4. printing a site - there are no sites to print 5. displaying a site - there are no sites to display Hit any key to resume taking measurements. |
| Do you want to SAVE? | This message appears upon exiting the <i>User Program</i> , if the new site data has not been saved. Failure to save will result in loss of the new data next time the site data is changed or recalled. |
| Duplicate name, Enter another. | The site file or log name is already in use. Enter a different name. |

Table 2-1: Screen Messages (Continued)

| Message | Meaning |
|---|---|
| End Time must exceed Start Time by 5 min. | This message appears when in the LOG menu. Enter an end time that is at least five minutes later than the start time. |
| Header invalid | An option card error indicating a programming failure or a loss of memory. Contact the factory. |
| Log Active, END only hit any key | When in the LOG menu, this message indicates that the log is still compiling data. Only the End Time may be edited. |
| Log DONE, to inspect hit any key | When in the LOG menu, this message indicates that the log is complete. Hit any key to display the log. |
| Log hasn't started! hit key | When in the LOG menu, this message indicates that the log has not yet started. |
| OK, settling | The measurement has not stabilized. Wait before taking a reading. |
| Outside limits, value rejected. | When in the CAL menu, this message indicates that the calibration of the analog output is invalid. Hit any key to clear the message, and the DF868 will default to the last valid calibration. The message will also appear if there is no ammeter connected to the analog output during calibration. |
| Overflow | The display value overflowed. Reduce the number of decimal digits or change the units. |
| ??P<L Enter L again. | The entered path length (P) is less than the axial dimension (L). Enter a new value for L. |
| range is X.XX to X.XX | When in the <i>User Program</i> , this message indicates that the entered number is unacceptable. Hit any key and enter a number within the allowable range. |
| Review calibration | An option card error indicating a programming failure or a loss of memory. Contact the factory. |
| Review parameters | An option card error indicating a programming failure or a loss of memory. Contact the factory. |
| Starting time must exceed current time | This message appears when in the LOG menu STD option. Enter a start time that is later than the current time. |
| Write error. | An option card error indicating a programming failure or a loss of memory. Contact the factory. |

Chapter 3

Diagnostics

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Introduction

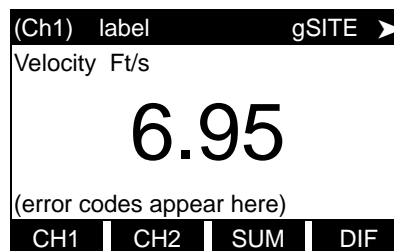
This chapter explains how to troubleshoot the Model DF868 if problems arise with the electronics console, the flowcell, or the transducers. Indications of a possible problem include:

- display of an error message on the active display screen
- erratic flow readings
- readings of doubtful accuracy (i.e. readings that are not consistent with readings from another flow measuring device connected to the same process).

If any of the above conditions occurs, proceed with the instructions presented in this chapter.

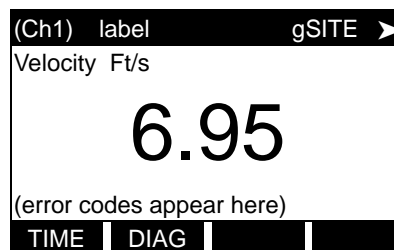
Displaying Diagnostic Parameters

The Model DF868 has a built-in *Diagnostics Menu* to aid in the troubleshooting of flowcell, transducer and/or electrical problems. The *Diagnostics Menu* may only be entered from the *Big* or *Dual* measurement mode display. See Chapter 2, *Displaying Data*, in the *Programming Manual* for instructions on setting the display screen to the desired format, and enter the *Diagnostics Menu* as shown below.



Press the [←] or [→] keys until the desired channel option appears on the option bar. Press the appropriate [Fx] key to select this option.

Note: For a 1-Channel Model DF868, the above prompt does not appear, and the following prompt is the initial screen.

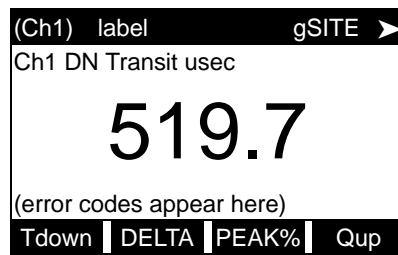


Press the [←] or [→] keys until DIAG appears on the option bar. Press the appropriate [Fx] key to select this option.

Note: Ch1 (or Ch2), which is shown in parentheses above, appears in the locator bar only with a 2-Channel Model DF868.

Displaying Diagnostic Parameters (cont.)

For example, pressing [F1] displays the Tdown parameter, as shown in the following prompt.



Press the [←] and [→] keys and the appropriate [Fx] key to display a different diagnostic parameter or to EXIT the *Diagnostics Menu*.

Table 3-1 below lists the available diagnostic parameters for the Model DF868. The first column in the table shows the parameter as it appears on the option bar, while the second column shows the parameter as it appears in the prompt area after it has been selected.

Table 3-1: Available Diagnostic Parameters

| Option Bar | Screen Display | Description | Good | Bad |
|------------|-------------------|---|-------|--------------|
| SS up | UP Sig Strength | Displays the signal strength for the upstream transducer. | 50–75 | <50 or >75 |
| SS do | DN Sig Strength | Displays the signal strength for the downstream transducer. | 50–75 | <50 or >75 |
| SNDSP | Soundspeed Ft/s | Displays the measured sound speed of the fluid. | N.A. | N.A. |
| Tup | UP Transit S usec | Displays the upstream transit time of the ultrasonic signal in microseconds. | N.A. | N.A. |
| Tdown | DN Transit usec | Displays the downstream transit time of the ultrasonic signal in microseconds. | N.A. | N.A. |
| DELTA | DeltaT usec | Displays the difference in μ sec between the upstream and downstream transit times. | N.A. | >10,000 nsec |
| REYN# | Reynolds # | A number based on the kinematic viscosity and flow rate of the fluid. | N.A. | N.A. |
| K(RE) | K(RE) | K factor, based on the Reynolds number | N.A. | N.A. |
| PEAK% | PEAK% | Displays the percentage of peak (set to +50 by default). | N.A. | N.A. |

Table 3-1: Available Diagnostic Parameters (Continued)

| Option Bar | Screen Display | Description | Good | Bad |
|-------------------|-----------------------|---|-------------|---------------|
| THETA | Theta 3 degrees | Theta 3 is the angle between the ultrasonic beam and the normal to the pipe wall. It is calculated from the measured transit time and the clamp-on parameters (clamp-ons only). | N.A. | N.A. |
| Qup | UP Signal Q | Displays the signal quality for the upstream transducer. | ≥ 1200 | -400 to +400 |
| Qdown | DN Signal Q | Displays the signal quality for the downstream transducer. | ≥ 1200 | -400 to +400 |
| AMPup | UP Amp Discrim | Displays the value for the amplitude discriminator of the upstream transducer. | 24 ± 5 | <19 or >29 |
| AMPdn | DN Amp Discrim | Displays the value for the amplitude discriminator of the downstream transducer. | 24 ± 5 | <19 or >29 |
| CNTup | Counts up | Displays automatic gain control setting for the upstream signal. | N.A. | N.A. |
| CNTdn | Counts down | Displays automatic gain control setting for the downstream signal. | N.A. | N.A. |
| P#up | UP +- Peak | Displays signal peaks for the upstream transducer. | 100-2300 | <100 or >2300 |
| P#dn | DN +- Peak | Displays signal peaks for the downstream transducer. | 100-2300 | <100 or >2300 |
| NFup | UP Norm Factor | Displays the normalization factor for the upstream transducer. | 0.85-1.0 | <0.85 |
| NFdn | DN Norm Factor | Displays the normalization factor for the downstream transducer. | 0.85-1.0 | <0.85 |
| Cxdcr | CEE1 | Displays the speed of sound in the transducer (clamp-on only). | N.A. | N.A. |
| TEMPs | Supply Temp deg F | Displays the temperature for the supply input (energy measurement). | N.A. | N.A. |
| TEMPr | Return Temp deg F | Displays the temperature for the return input (energy measurement). | N.A. | N.A. |

Table 3-1: Available Diagnostic Parameters (Continued)

| Option Bar | Screen Display | Description | Good | Bad |
|------------|----------------|--|------|------|
| Ts-Tr | Supply-Rtn | Difference between supply input and return input measurement (energy measurement). | N.A. | N.A. |
| DENSs | Supply Dens | Displays the density for the supply input (energy management) | N.A. | N.A. |
| DENSr | Return Dens | Displays the density for the return input (energy management) | N.A. | N.A. |
| DELTh | Delta h | Displays the delta enthalpy, which is the difference between the supply and return. Enthalpy is a measure of energy contained in the fluid (energy measurement). | N.A. | N.A. |
| TW | Transmit Wedge | Displays the current adjustment in the transit time measurements due to the signal delay in the transducers. | N.A. | N.A. |

Diagnostic Record

Upon leaving the *Diagnostic Menu* via the [EXIT] key or the EXIT option on the option bar, the display screen will continue to show the last diagnostic parameter that was selected. To return to normal measurement mode, select a channel to display (for a 2-Channel meter only) and then select the desired display parameter. See Chapter 3, *Operation*, of the *Startup Guide* for detailed instructions.

The values for the diagnostic parameters immediately after initial installation of the meter and verification of proper operation should be entered in Table A-2 in Appendix A, *Service Record*. These values can then be compared to future values to help diagnose any future malfunction of the system.

Flowcell Problems

If preliminary troubleshooting with the *Error Code Messages* and/or the *Diagnostic Menu* indicates a possible flowcell problem, proceed with this section. Flowcell problems fall into two categories:

- liquid problems
- pipe problems.

Read the following sections carefully to determine if the problem is indeed related to the flowcell. If the instructions in this section fail to resolve the problem, contact GE Panametrics for assistance.

Fluid Problems

Most fluid-related problems result from a failure to observe the flowmeter system installation instructions, as described in the *Startup Guide*. Refer to Chapter 1, *Installation*, of the *Startup Guide* to correct any installation problems.

If the physical installation of the system meets the recommended specifications, it is possible that the fluid itself may be preventing accurate flow rate measurements. The fluid being measured must meet the following requirements:

1. *The fluid must be homogeneous, single-phase and relatively clean.* Although a low level of entrained particles may have little effect on the operation of the Model DF868, excessive amounts of solid or gas particles will absorb or disperse the ultrasound signals. This interference with the ultrasound transmissions through the fluid will cause inaccurate flow rate measurements. In addition, temperature gradients in the fluid flow may result in erratic or inaccurate flow rate readings.
2. *The fluid must not cavitate near the flowcell.* Fluids with a high vapor pressure may cavitate near or in the flowcell. This causes problems resulting from gas bubbles in the fluid. Cavitation can usually be controlled through proper installation design.
3. *The fluid must not excessively attenuate ultrasound signals.* Some fluids, particularly those that are very viscous, readily absorb ultrasound energy. In such a case, an E1 error code message will appear on the display screen to indicate that the ultrasonic signal strength is insufficient for reliable measurements.
4. *The fluid sound speed must not vary excessively.* The Model DF868 will tolerate relatively large changes in the fluid sound speed, as may be caused by variations in fluid composition and/or temperature. However, such changes must occur slowly. Rapid fluctuations in the fluid sound speed, to a value that is considerably different from that programmed into the Model DF868, will result in erratic or inaccurate flow rate readings. Refer to Chapter 2, *Initial Setup*, of the *Startup Guide* and make sure that the appropriate sound speed is programmed into the meter.

Pipe Problems

Pipe-related problems may result either from a failure to observe the installation instructions, as described in the *Startup Guide*, or from improper programming of the meter. By far, the most common pipe problems are the following:

1. *The collection of material at the transducer location(s).*
Accumulated debris at the transducer location(s) will interfere with transmission of the ultrasound signals. As a result, accurate flow rate measurements are not possible. Realignment of the flowcell or transducers often cures such problems, and in some cases, transducers that protrude into the flow stream may be used. Refer to Chapter 1, *Installation*, of the *Startup Guide* for more details on proper installation practices.

2. *Inaccurate pipe measurements.*
The accuracy of the flow rate measurements is no better than the accuracy of the programmed pipe dimensions. For a flowcell supplied by GE Panametrics, the correct data will be included in the documentation. For other flowcells, measure the pipe wall thickness and diameter with the same accuracy desired in the flow rate readings. Also, check the pipe for dents, eccentricity, weld deformity, straightness and other factors that may cause inaccurate readings. Refer to Chapter 2, *Initial Setup*, of the *Startup Guide* for instructions on programming the pipe data.

In addition to the actual pipe dimensions, the path length (P) and the axial dimension (L), based on the actual transducer mounting locations, must be accurately programmed into the flowmeter. For a GE Panametrics flowcell, this data will be included with the documentation for the system. If the transducers are mounted onto an existing pipe, these dimensions must be precisely measured. See Appendix D, *Measuring P and L Dimensions*, of the *Startup Guide* for a thorough discussion of this topic.

3. *The inside of the pipe or flowcell must be relatively clean.*
Excessive build up of scale, rust or debris will interfere with flow measurement. Generally, a thin coating or a solid well-adhered build up on the pipe wall will not cause problems. Loose scale and thick coatings (such as tar or oil) will interfere with ultrasound transmission and may result in incorrect or unreliable measurements.

Transducer Problems

Ultrasonic transducers are rugged, reliable devices. However, they are subject to physical damage from mishandling and chemical attack. Clamp-on transducers are also subject to installation variables such as physical misalignment and faulty coupling to the pipe on which they are mounted.

Because, transducer problems are largely dependent on the type of transducers used, wetted or clamp-on, the following list of potential problems is grouped according to transducer type. Contact GE Panametrics if you cannot solve a transducer-related problem.

Wetted Transducer Problems

- 1. LEAKS:** Leaks may occur around the transducer and/or the flowcell fittings. Repair such leaks immediately. If the leaking fluid is corrosive, carefully check the transducer and cables for damage, after the leak has been repaired.
- 2. CORROSION DAMAGE:** If the transducer material was not properly chosen for the intended application, the transducers may suffer corrosion damage. The damage usually occurs either at the electrical connector or on the transducer face. If corrosion is suspected, remove the transducer from the flowcell and carefully inspect the electrical connector and the transducer face for roughness and/or pitting. Any transducer damaged in this manner must be replaced. Contact GE Panametrics for information on transducers in materials suitable for the application.
- 3. INTERNAL DAMAGE:** An ultrasonic transducer consists of a ceramic crystal bonded to the transducer case. The bond between the crystal and the case, or the crystal itself, may be damaged by extreme mechanical shock and/or temperature extremes. Also, the internal wiring can be corroded or shorted if contaminants enter the transducer housing.
- 4. PHYSICAL DAMAGE:** Transducers may be physically damaged by dropping them onto a hard surface or striking them against another object. The transducer connector is the most fragile part and is the one most subject to damage. Minor damage may be repaired by carefully bending the connector back into shape. If the connector cannot be repaired, the transducers must be replaced.

IMPORTANT: *Transducers must be replaced in pairs. Refer to Chapter 2, Initial Setup, of the Startup Guide to program the replacement transducer data into the meter.*

If the instructions in this section fail to resolve the problem, contact GE Panametrics for assistance.

Clamp-on Transducer Problems

- 1. POOR COUPLING TO PIPE:** Clamp-on transducers must be in close contact with the pipe. Make sure the pipe wall is smooth and generally free of paint. The couplant material must fill voids between the transducer and the pipe, and must be firmly coupled or bonded to both the pipe and the transducer. The pipe and transducer must be clean and dry for permanent couplant, such as grease or epoxy, to adhere properly. Enough pressure must be applied to the transducer by its clamp to hold it firmly against the pipe.
 - 2. MISALIGNMENT:** The transducer transmits relatively narrow beams of ultrasound; therefore, transducer alignment is critical to assure that the beam can travel from one transducer to the other without undue attenuation. Be sure to exactly follow the instructions that came with your transducers and clamping fixtures. Also, be sure that the transducer spacing agrees with the calculated spacing (S).
 - 3. INTERNAL DAMAGE:** Ultrasonic transducers consist of a ceramic “crystal” bonded to the transducer case. The bond between the crystal and the case may be damaged by extreme shock and by temperature extremes. The crystal itself can also be damaged by the same conditions. The internal wiring can be corroded or shorted if contaminants enter the transducer housing.
 - 4. PHYSICAL DAMAGE:** Transducers may be physically damaged by dropping them onto a hard surface or striking them against another object. Usually the connector on the transducers is the part that is damaged, as it is the most fragile. Minor damage may be repaired by carefully bending the connector back into shape. If the connector cannot be repaired, replace the transducers.
- IMPORTANT:** *Transducers must be replaced in pairs. Refer to Chapter 2, Initial Setup, of the Startup Guide to program the replacement transducer data into the meter.*
- 5. CYCLE SKIP CONDITION:** A cycle skip is usually caused by a distorted or altered signal due to poor couplant, bad wall or unusual fluid disturbances. To resolve a cycle skip, recouple both transducers with proper couplant. Check your couplant for temperature ranges. In addition, make sure the pipe wall is free of paint and rust.

Contact GE Panametrics if you cannot solve a transducer-related problem.

Chapter 4

Parts Replacement

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Introduction

The electronics console of the Model DF868 has been designed to permit easy on-site upgrades and parts replacement. See Figure 4-1 on page 4-10 and Figure 4-2 on page 4-11 for details of the standard DF868 electronics console assembly. The instructions in this chapter, along with a few common tools, are all that is required to perform the following tasks:

- fuse replacement
- printed circuit board (PCB) removal and installation
- EPROM replacement
- option card installation
- LCD display replacement

IMPORTANT: *For meters supplied in any of the optional enclosure types, see Appendix B, Optional Enclosures, for instructions specific to that unit.*

!WARNING!

Prior to performing any maintenance procedures, be sure to disconnect the main power from the unit.

Note: *For compliance with the European Union's Low Voltage Directive (73/23/EEC), this unit requires an external power disconnect device such as a switch or circuit breaker. The disconnect device must be marked as such, clearly visible, directly accessible, and located within 1.8 m (6 ft) of the Model DF868.*

An aluminum shroud over the printed circuit board shields the electrical components and serves as a location for the wiring diagram label. All of the procedures discussed in this chapter, except for fuse replacement, require removal of this shroud.

Note: *For compliance with the European Union's Low Voltage Directive (73/23/EEC), a transparent plastic shroud protects the electrical connections. The shroud must remain in place, except while wiring the unit. Reinstall the shroud after the wiring has been completed.*

Use the foldout drawings at the end of this chapter to locate the relevant components, while completing the following procedures.

IMPORTANT: *Keep a detailed record all service procedures performed on the Model DF868 in Appendix A, Service Record. This service history may prove very helpful in diagnosing any future problems.*

Fuse Replacement

If it has been determined that the fuse in the Model DF868 requires replacement, complete the following steps:

!WARNING!

The main power to the Model DF868 must be disconnected before proceeding.

1. Open the cover on the electronics console. For LVD compliant units, remove the two mounting screws and lift the clear plastic shroud out of the electronics console.
2. Locate the black plastic fuse holder that is mounted on the printed circuit board between the power terminal block (TB1) and the RS232 terminal block. As shown in Figure 4-1 on page 4-11, the fuse holder extends below the main aluminum shroud, and the fuse holder cap is located on the bottom of the fuse holder.
3. Using a small standard screwdriver, turn the fuse holder cap counterclockwise about 1/4 turn. The fuse holder cap, with the captive fuse, will be ejected from the fuse holder.
4. Replace the defective fuse with a new one of the same rating and type. Use only 1-1/4" x 1/4" Slo-Blo fuses, having a rating as indicated in Table 4-1 below and on the wiring diagram label.

Table 4-1: Line Voltages & Fuse Ratings

| Line Voltage | Fuse Rating |
|--------------|----------------|
| 100-120 VAC | 1.0 A, Slo-Blo |
| 220-240 VAC | 0.5 A, Slo-Blo |
| 12-28 VDC | 3.0 A, Slo-Blo |

5. Press the new fuse into the fuse holder cap and insert the fuse into the fuse holder. While applying a slight pressure with the screwdriver, twist the fuse holder cap 1/4" turn clockwise.
6. For LVD compliant units, place the clear plastic shroud over the standoffs in the electronics console and secure it in place with its two mounting screws. Close the cover on the electronics console.

The Model DF868 flowmeter may now be placed back into service. Reconnect the main power and resume taking measurements.

Note: *Be sure to record the fuse replacement in Appendix A, Service Record.*

Removing the Printed Circuit Board

All of the remaining maintenance procedures discussed in this chapter require removal of the printed circuit board. To accomplish this task, refer to Figure 4-1 on page 4-10 and Figure 4-2 on page 4-11 while completing the following tasks:

1. Remove the main power to the electronics console.

!WARNING!

The main power to the Model DF868 must be disconnected before proceeding.

2. Open the electronics console. For LVD compliant units, remove the two mounting screws and lift the clear plastic shroud out of the electronics console. Remove the six mounting screws and lift the main aluminum shroud out of the electronics console.
3. Disconnect the main power leads from terminal block TB1 on the printed circuit board. Remove the electrical connectors from all installed option cards and terminal blocks. Disconnect the twisted-pair display backlight cable from connector J2 on the left side of the printed circuit board.
4. Using a 3/8 in. nutdriver or open-end wrench, remove the three short standoffs along the left side of the main circuit board and the three long standoffs along the right side of the main circuit board.
5. While supporting the printed circuit board, remove the two screws or standoffs along the bottom edge of the printed circuit board.

Note: *For an LVD compliant meter with the clear plastic shroud over the electrical connectors, there will be standoffs in these two locations. For meters not equipped with this shroud, there will be Phillips head screws in these two locations.*

6. Carefully lift the printed circuit board out of the enclosure. Continue to support the printed circuit board, as the keypad and display cables are still connected to the rear of the board.

Caution!

During this procedure, be very careful not to damage the upright components along the top edge of the printed circuit board (see Figure 4-2 on page 4-11). Severe or repeated bending of these components will break their leads.

Removing the Printed Circuit Board (cont.)

7. Tilt the top of the printed circuit board forward, and mark the top edges of the two ribbon-cable connectors. Then, remove these cables from their connectors on the rear of the board.
8. The printed circuit board is now free and may be removed to a clean work area.

If the printed circuit board is being replaced, proceed to the section on *Installing the Printed Circuit Board* (page 4-7) now. Otherwise, refer to the appropriate section for instructions on *Installing an Option Card* (page 4-5), *Replacing the EPROM* (below), or *Replacing the LCD Display* (page 4-6).

Replacing the EPROM

The Model DF868's *User Program* is stored on an erasable programmable read only memory (EPROM) chip. The EPROM, which is designated as component U4, is located in the top left corner of the rear of the printed circuit board. See Figure 4-2 on page 4-11 for a rear view of the printed circuit board. EPROM replacement may be required to replace a defective chip or to upgrade to a newer software version. To replace the EPROM, complete the following steps:

1. Remove the printed circuit board, as described in a previous section of this chapter.
2. Place the printed circuit board face down on a clean, flat surface. Locate the EPROM socket in the top left corner of the board.

Caution!

The EPROM is easily damaged by static electricity. Before handling the new chip, touch a grounded metal object to discharge any built-up static electricity and avoid touching the leads on the side of the chip.

3. Using a chip puller, remove the EPROM from its socket. If a chip puller is unavailable, a straightened paper clip may be used in the notches at the upper right and lower left corners of the socket. Gently pry the EPROM up, a little at a time, at each notch until it comes free.
4. Make sure that the beveled corner on the new EPROM is aligned with the beveled corner of the socket and place the EPROM into the socket.
5. By applying equal pressure on all four corners, gently press the EPROM into the socket until it is fully seated. Do not strike the EPROM or apply excessive force during this procedure.

Complete the EPROM replacement by proceeding to the *Installing the Printed Circuit Board* (page 4-7) section of this chapter.

Installing an Option Card

The Model DF868 flowmeter can accommodate up to six option cards. The option cards are installed into sockets on the rear of the printed circuit board, and they are held in place with a metal bracket. A single metal bracket is used to secure all the installed option cards.

Note: *If the Model DF868 presently has no option cards installed, be sure to purchase the metal mounting bracket along with the first option card.*

To install an option card, refer to Figure 4-2 on page 4-11 and complete the following steps:

1. Remove the printed circuit board, as described in a previous section of this chapter.
2. If one or more option cards are already installed, remove the four fasteners that secure the metal bracket to the printed circuit board. Lift the metal bracket straight up and away from the printed circuit board.

Note: *The fasteners may be either plastic snap rivets or metal hardware (in some older meters). In either case, they may be discarded, as new plastic snap rivets are provided.*

3. There are six 32-pin option card sockets (J41–J46) on the rear of the printed circuit board. To install an option card, insert its 32-pin connector into any available option card socket and gently press the card into place. Make sure that the pins in the connector are straight and properly aligned with the socket and that the connector is positioned on the right side of the option card.

Caution!

Do not force the option card into the socket. If the card does not enter the socket easily, check for and straighten any bent pins in the connector and try again.

4. Repeat step 3 to install any additional option cards.
5. Place the metal bracket over the option cards, making sure that all option cards are aligned with the plastic card guides in the bracket. Secure the metal bracket to the printed circuit board with the snap rivets provided. See the installed assembly in Figure 4-1 on page 4-10.

Complete the option card installation by proceeding to the *Installing the Printed Circuit Board* (page 4-7) section of this chapter.

Replacing the LCD Display

The Model DF868's measurements are displayed on a two-pane LCD graphic display panel. The LCD display normally provides years of dependable service, but it is easily field-replaceable when necessary. To replace the LCD display, see Figure 4-1 on page 4-10 for the component locations, and complete the following steps:

1. Remove the printed circuit board, as described in a previous section of this chapter.
2. Using a 3/16 in. nutdriver, remove the four nut/washer sets that secure the display shroud to the inside of the console cover. Lift the display shroud off its mounting studs.
3. Using a 1/4" nutdriver, remove the four standoffs that secure the LCD display assembly to the console cover. Lift the LCD display assembly off its mounting studs.
4. Place the new LCD display assembly over the mounting studs on the console cover and fasten it in place with the four standoffs. Make sure that the LCD display assembly is oriented as shown in Figure 4-2 on page 4-11.

Caution!

Do not overtighten the standoffs or the display assembly may be damaged.

5. Position the LCD display cables between the two right side mounting studs, and install the display shroud over the mounting studs. The top and bottom edges of the shroud are bent at a 90° angle to the main surface, and these edges must face inwards toward the display assembly.

Note: *One edge of the display shroud is covered with a piece of black electrical tape. This side of the shroud should be on the right, to protect the cables against abrasion.*

6. Fasten the display shroud to the console cover with the four sets of nuts/washers.

Caution!

Do not overtighten the nuts or damage to the mounting threads may occur.

Complete the LCD Display replacement by proceeding to the *Installing the Printed Circuit Board* (page 4-7) section of this chapter.

Installing the Printed Circuit Board

Whether the printed circuit board was removed for replacement or for one of the other procedures discussed in this chapter, reinstallation of the printed circuit board is the final step in the process. Refer to Figure 4-1 on page 4-10 and complete the following steps:

Caution!

During this procedure, be very careful not to damage the vertical components along the top edge of the printed circuit board (see Figure 4-2 on page 4-11). Severe or repeated bending of these components will break their leads.

1. Position the printed circuit board within the electronics console with the top edge tilted forward. Insert the display ribbon cable and keypad ribbon cable connectors into their sockets on the rear of the printed circuit board. See Figure 4-1 on page 4-10 and Figure 4-2 on page 4-11 to identify the cables and sockets. Note that the keypad cable connects to the upper socket and the display cable connects to the lower socket.

IMPORTANT: *The ribbon cables must be installed with the edges that were marked during removal oriented toward the top of the printed circuit board.*

2. Carefully position the printed circuit board up against the eight standoffs in the enclosure. Do not damage the transformers and any installed option cards as they are maneuvered between the standoffs.
3. Loosely install the three long standoffs on the right side of the printed circuit board and the two short standoffs (or screws) along the bottom edge of the printed circuit board. Then, install only the top and bottom short standoffs on the left side of the printed circuit board.
4. Insert the free end of the green grounding strap between the printed circuit board and the middle standoff beneath the left side of the board. Making sure to capture the grounding strap lug between the printed circuit board and the standoff beneath it, install the remaining short standoff on the left side of the printed circuit board. Securely tighten all eight standoffs and/or screws.

IMPORTANT: *Correctly installing the grounding strap may require some patience, but resist the temptation to place the grounding strap on top of the printed circuit board.*

Installing the Printed Circuit Board (cont.)

5. Connect the twisted-pair backlight cable to socket J2 on the left edge of the printed circuit board. This plug is polarized so that it can only be installed in the proper orientation, with the black wire above the red wire.
6. Check for and remove any loose hardware that may have fallen into the electronics console during the maintenance procedure.
7. Place the main shroud over the six upper standoffs on the printed circuit board. Making sure that the shroud is oriented with the wiring diagram label upright, fasten the shroud to the standoffs with the six sets of screws and washers.
8. Reconnect the power line wires to terminal block TB1 on the printed circuit board. Plug all other electrical connectors into the appropriate sockets on the printed circuit board and option cards. See Chapter 1, *Installation*, of the *Startup Guide* for instructions on proper wiring of the Model DF868.

Note: *For an LVD compliant meter with the clear plastic shroud over the electrical connectors, there are standoffs in the two mounting locations along the bottom edge of the printed circuit board. For meters not equipped with this shroud, there are Phillips head screws in these two locations.*

9. For LVD compliant units, position the clear plastic LVD shroud over the electrical connections so that the two holes in the shroud align with the standoffs on the printed circuit board. Secure the shroud to the standoffs with the two sets of screws and washers.
10. After carefully checking for and removing any loose hardware in the enclosure, close the electronics console and reconnect the main power to the Model DF868.

Note: *For compliance with the European Union's Low Voltage Directive (73/23/EEC), this unit requires an external power disconnect device such as a switch or circuit breaker. The disconnect device must be marked as such, clearly visible, directly accessible, and located within 1.8 m (6 ft) of the Model DF868.*

Before taking measurements with the Model DF868, refer to Chapter 2, *Initial Setup*, of the *Startup Guide* and Chapter 1, *Calibration*, of the *Service Manual* for instructions on properly setting up the meter for accurate flow rate measurements.

Note: *Be sure to enter a complete and detailed account of the service procedure performed on the Model DF868 in Appendix A, Service Record.*

Spare Parts

All of the necessary components to upgrade or repair the Model DF868 flowmeter are readily available from GE Panametrics. As a convenient reference, some of the more common spare parts are listed in Table 4-2 below.

Table 4-2: Spare Parts List

| Part Number | Description |
|-------------|---|
| 703-1127-02 | Option Card - Alarms, Hermetically Sealed |
| 703-1127-03 | Option Card - Alarms, General Purpose |
| 703-1145-02 | Option Card - Analog Inputs |
| 703-1126-02 | Option Card - Analog Outputs |
| 703-1145-03 | Option Card - RTD Inputs |
| 703-1144-02 | Option Card - Totalizer/Frequency Outputs |
| 703-1358 | Option Card - MODBUS |
| 421-703 | Card Cage (Metal Bracket) |
| 417-027 | Card Guide, Nylon |
| 703-1247 | Printed Circuit Board |
| 705-671 | LCD Display Assembly |
| 147-744 | EPROM |
| 421-700 | Conduit Plate, 1/2" |
| 421-701 | Conduit Plate, 3/4" |
| 421-702 | Conduit Plate, Blank |
| 421-946 | LVD Plastic Shroud |
| 421-686 | Main Aluminum Shroud |
| 442-484 | Label, Wiring Diagram |

To purchase the parts listed in Table 4-2 above or any items not listed in the table, contact GE Panametrics for assistance. To make sure the proper components are obtained, be sure to specify the *serial number* of the Model DF868 at the time of purchase.

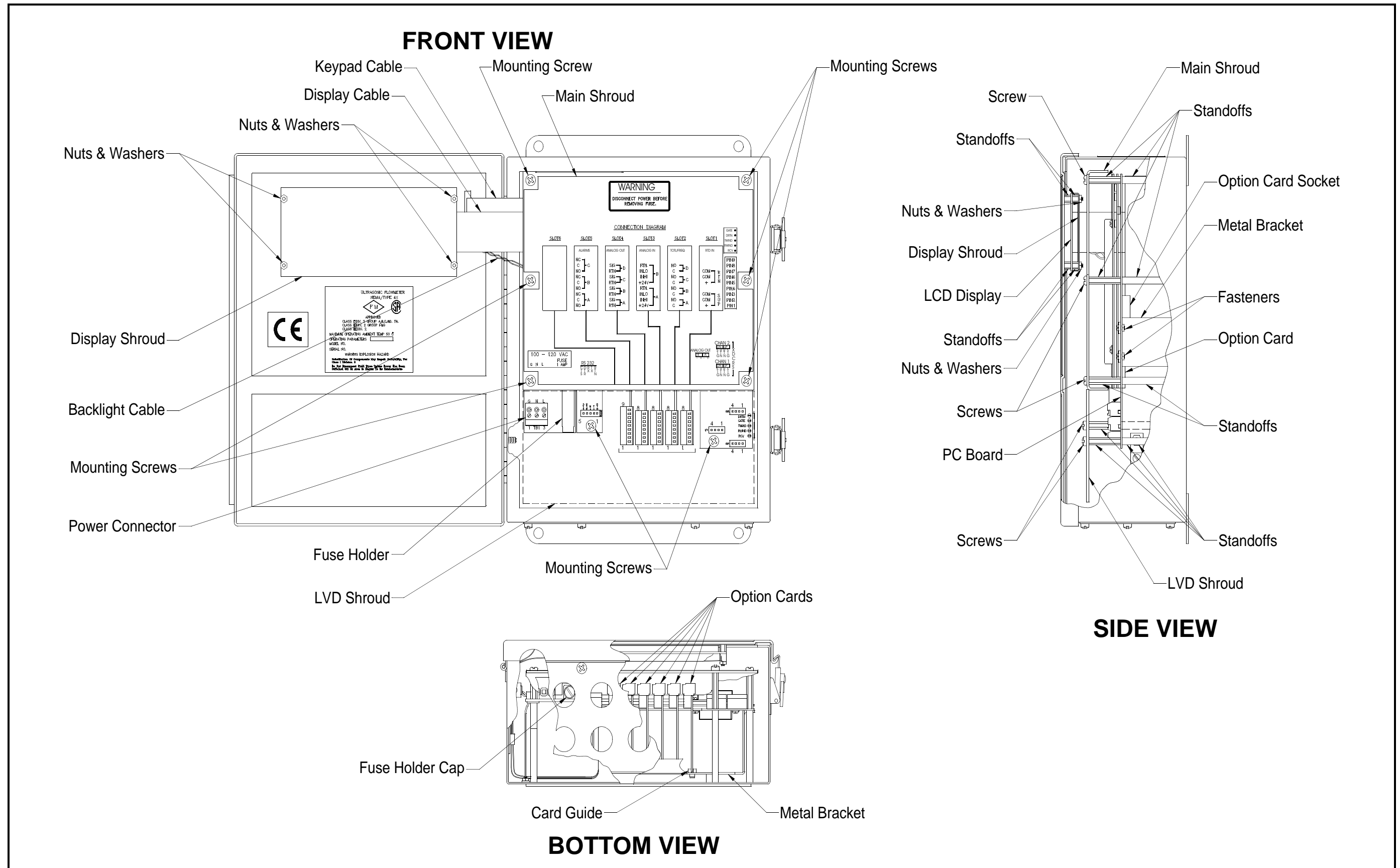


Figure 4-1: Standard Model DF868 - Electronics Console Assembly

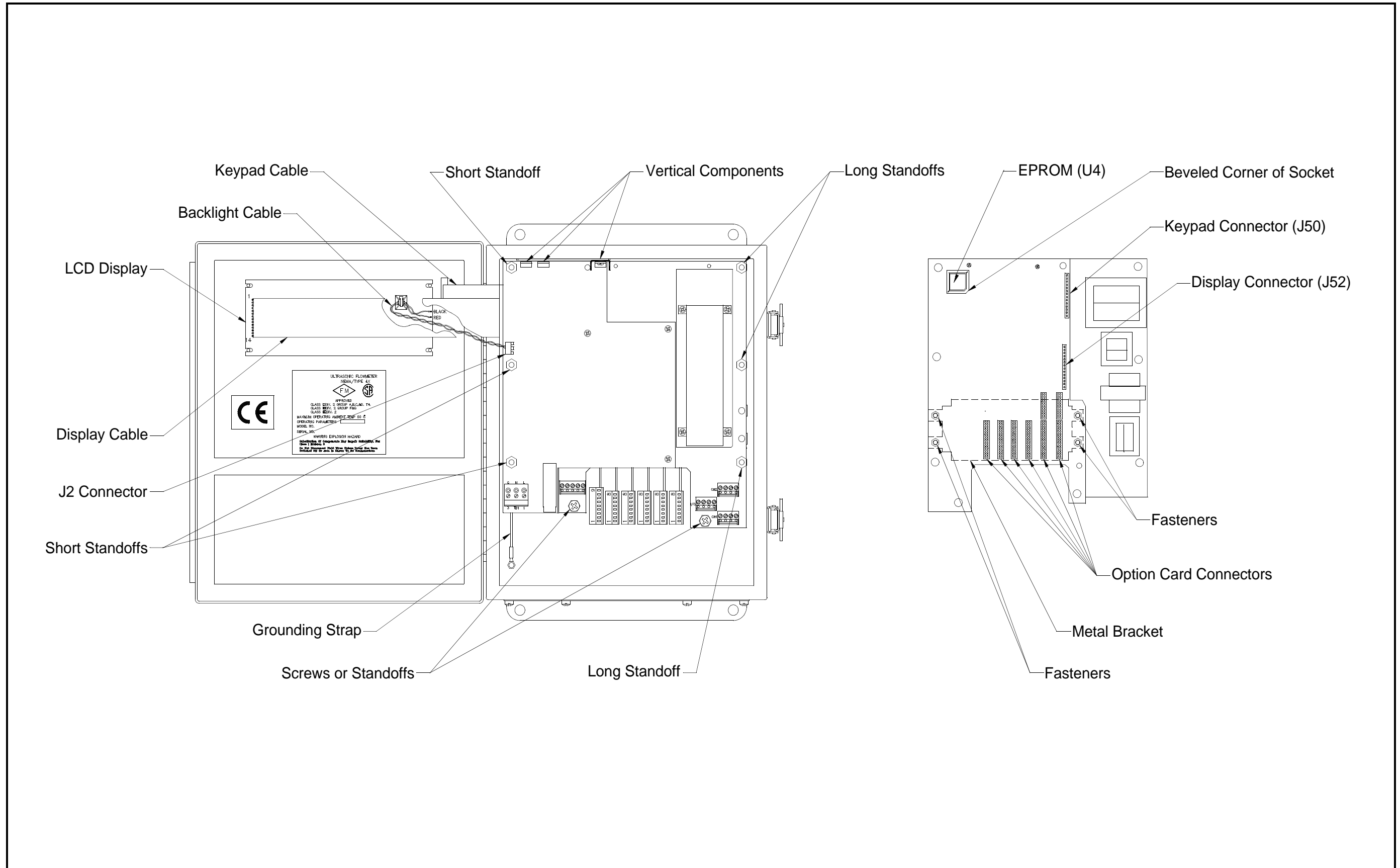


Figure 4-2: Standard Model DF868 - Printed Circuit Board Assembly

Appendix A

Service Record

Introduction A-1

Data Entry A-1

Introduction

Whenever any service procedure is performed on the Model DF868 flowmeter, the details of the service should be recorded in this appendix. An accurate service history of the meter can prove very helpful in troubleshooting any future problems.

Data Entry

Record complete and detailed service data for the Model DF868 in Table A-1 below. Make additional copies of the table as needed.

Table A-1: Service Record

Diagnostic Parameters After a successful initial installation of the Model DF868 and whenever any system malfunction is noticed, the values for the diagnostic parameters should be entered in Table A-2 below.

Table A-2: Diagnostic Parameters

| Parameter | Initial | Current | Parameter | Initial | Current |
|--|---------|---------|--------------------|---------|---------|
| SS up | | | CNTup | | |
| SS do | | | CNTdn | | |
| SNDSP | | | P#up | | |
| Tup | | | P#dn | | |
| Tdown | | | NFup | | |
| DELTA | | | NFdn | | |
| Reynolds # | | | Cxdr ¹ | | |
| K (RE) | | | TEMPs ² | | |
| PEAK% | | | TEMPr ² | | |
| THETA ¹ | | | Ts-Tr ² | | |
| Qup | | | DENSs ² | | |
| Qdown | | | DENSr ² | | |
| AMPup | | | DELTh ² | | |
| AMPdn | | | TW | | |
| ¹ available only for Clamp-on transducers ² available only if Energy = ON | | | | | |

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Optional Enclosures

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Introduction

The Model DF868 is available in optional enclosure types, each of which has been designed to permit easy on-site upgrades and parts replacement. See the foldout drawings at the end of this appendix for details of the applicable DF868 electronics console assembly. The instructions in this appendix, along with a few common tools, are all that is required to perform the following tasks:

- fuse replacement
- option card installation
- EPROM replacement
- LCD display replacement
- printed circuit board (PCB) replacement

IMPORTANT: *For meters supplied in the standard NEMA-4X enclosure, see Chapter 4, Parts Replacement, for instructions specific to that unit.*

!WARNING!

Prior to performing any maintenance procedures, disconnect the main power from the unit.

Note: *For compliance with the European Union's Low Voltage Directive (73/23/EEC), this unit requires an external power disconnect device such as a switch or circuit breaker. The disconnect device must be marked as such, clearly visible, directly accessible, and located within 1.8 m (6 ft) of the Model DF868.*

Rack Mount Enclosure

Refer to Figure B-1 on page B-10 and Figure B-2 on page B-11 for the location of the relevant components, while completing the following procedures. If the top panel of the meter is accessible, service may be performed without removing the meter from the rack. Otherwise, disconnect all rear panel electrical connections and remove the meter from the rack before proceeding.

IMPORTANT: *Keep a detailed record of all service procedures in Appendix A, Service Record. This record may prove very helpful in diagnosing any future problems.*

Rack Mount Fuse Replacement

If it has been determined that the fuse in the Model DF868 requires replacement, see Figure B-1 on page B-10 and Figure B-2 on page B-11, and complete the following steps:

1. On the rear panel of the meter, set the power switch to the OFF position and pull the power cord out of its receptacle.

!WARNING!

The main power to the Model DF868 must be disconnected before proceeding.

2. Locate the black plastic fuse cover on the back panel at the bottom of the power cord receptacle and pull it straight out.
3. Replace the defective fuse with a new one of the same rating and type. Use only 5 x 20 mm Slo-Blo fuses, having a rating as indicated in Table B-1 below and on the rear panel label.

Table B-1: Line Voltages & Fuse Ratings

| Line Voltage | Fuse Rating |
|--------------|----------------|
| 100-120 VAC | 1.0 A, Slo-Blo |
| 220-240 VAC | 0.5 A, Slo-Blo |
| 12-28 VDC | 3.0 A, Slo-Blo |

4. Reinstall the black plastic fuse cover and insert the power cord back into the receptacle. Then, position the power switch in the ON position.

The Model DF868 flowmeter may now be placed back into service. Reconnect the main power and resume taking measurements.

Note: *Be sure to record the fuse replacement in Appendix A, Service Record.*

Rack Mount Option Card Installation

The Model DF868 flowmeter can accommodate up to six option cards in a manner similar to that used in a PC. The option cards are installed into sockets on the printed circuit board, and they are held in place with a metal bracket. A single metal bracket is used to secure all the installed option cards.

Note: *If the Model DF868 presently has no option cards installed, be sure to purchase the metal mounting bracket along with the first option card.*

Refer to Figure B-2 on page B-11 and complete the following steps:

1. After disconnecting the main power to the meter, remove the *top panel* from the enclosure by removing the four screws indicated.

!WARNING!

The main power to the Model DF868 must be disconnected before proceeding.

2. If one or more option cards are already installed, remove the four *fasteners* that secure the metal bracket to the printed circuit board. Lift the *metal bracket* straight up and away from the printed circuit board.

Note: *The fasteners may be either plastic snap rivets or metal hardware (in some older meters). In either case, they may be discarded, as new plastic snap rivets are provided.*

3. There are six 32-pin *option card sockets* (J41–J46) on the rear of the printed circuit board. By removing the screw on the rear panel, remove the appropriate *option slot cover* to make room for the external connector on the new option card.
4. To install the *option card*, insert its 32-pin connector into the chosen option card socket and gently press the card into place. Make sure that the pins in the connector are straight and properly aligned with the socket and that the option card is oriented with its external connector positioned in the opening on the rear panel.

Caution!

Do not force the option card into the socket. If the card does not enter the socket easily, check for and straighten any bent pins in the connector and try again.

5. Repeat steps 3 and 4 to install any additional option cards.

Rack Mount Option Card Installation (cont.)

6. Place the metal bracket over the option cards, making sure that all installed option cards are inserted into the plastic card guides in the bracket. The bracket must be oriented so that the six card guides are directly above the six sockets on the printed circuit board (*do not* install the bracket rotated 180° out of position). Secure the metal bracket to the printed circuit board with the four plastic snap rivets provided.
7. After checking for any loose hardware that may have fallen into the enclosure, reinstall the top panel on the meter and secure the panel in place with the four screws previously removed.

The Model DF868 flowmeter may now be placed back into service. Reconnect the main power and refer to Appendix C, *Optional Enclosures*, of the *Startup Guide* for instructions on wiring the new option card(s).

Note: *Be sure to record the option card installation in Appendix A, Service Record.*

Rack Mount EPROM Replacement

The Model DF868's *User Program* is stored on an erasable programmable read only memory (EPROM) chip. The EPROM, which is designated as component U4, is located on the corner of the printed circuit board just behind the keypad on the front panel.

EPROM replacement may be required to replace a defective chip or to upgrade to a newer software version. To replace the EPROM, refer to Figure B-2 on page B-11 and complete the following steps:

!WARNING!

The main power to the Model DF868 must be disconnected before proceeding.

1. After disconnecting the main power to the meter, remove the top panel from the enclosure by removing the four screws indicated.

Caution!

The EPROM is easily damaged by static electricity. Before handling the new chip, touch a grounded metal object to discharge any built-up static electricity and avoid touching the leads on the side of the chip.

2. Using a chip puller, remove the EPROM from its socket. If a chip puller is unavailable, a straightened paper clip may be used in the notches at opposite corners of the socket. Gently pry the EPROM up, a little at a time, at each notch until it comes free.
3. Make sure that the beveled corner on the new EPROM is aligned with the beveled corner of the socket and place the EPROM into the socket.
4. By applying equal pressure on all four corners, gently press the EPROM into the socket until it is fully seated. Do not strike the EPROM or apply excessive force during this procedure.
5. After checking for any loose hardware that may have fallen into the enclosure, reinstall the top panel on the meter and secure the panel in place with the four screws previously removed.

The Model DF868 flowmeter may now be placed back into service. Reconnect the main power and resume taking measurements.

Note: *Be sure to record the EPROM replacement in Appendix A, Service Record.*

Rack Mount LCD Display Replacement

The Model DF868 measurements are displayed on a two-pane LCD graphic display panel. The LCD display normally provides years of dependable service, but it is field-replaceable when necessary.

To replace the LCD display, refer to Figure B-2 on page B-11 and complete the following steps:

!WARNING!

The main power to the Model DF868 must be disconnected before proceeding.

1. After disconnecting the main power to the meter, remove the top panel from the enclosure by removing the four screws indicated.
2. Using a 3/16 in. nutdriver, remove the four nut/washer sets that secure the display shroud to the inside of the front panel. Pull the display shroud off its mounting studs.
3. Using a 1/4" nutdriver, remove the four standoffs that secure the LCD display assembly to the front panel. Pull the LCD display assembly off its mounting studs.
4. Place the new display in the enclosure and replace the circuit board connections of the data and power cables of the old display with those of the new display. Be sure to orient the new cables in the same way as the old ones, when making the connections to the printed circuit board. Remove and discard the old LCD display.
5. Place the new LCD display assembly over the mounting studs on the front panel and fasten it in place with the four standoffs. Make sure that the LCD display assembly is oriented with the cables pointing toward the left side (away from the keypad) of the meter.

Caution!

Do not overtighten the standoffs or the display assembly may be damaged.

6. Position the LCD display cables between the two mounting studs, and install the display shroud over the mounting studs. The top and bottom edges of the shroud are bent at a 90° angle to the main surface, and these edges must face inwards toward the display assembly.

Note: *One edge of the display shroud is covered with a piece of black electrical tape. This side of the shroud should be over the cables to protect them against abrasion.*

Rack Mount LCD Display Replacement (cont.)

7. Fasten the display shroud to the front panel with the four sets of nuts/washers.

Caution!

Do not overtighten the nuts or damage to the mounting threads may occur.

8. After checking for any loose hardware that may have fallen into the enclosure, reinstall the top panel on the meter and secure the panel in place with the four screws previously removed.

The Model DF868 flowmeter may now be placed back into service. Reconnect the main power and resume taking measurements.

Note: *Be sure to record the LCD Display replacement in Appendix A, Service Record.*

Rack Mount Printed Circuit Board Replacement

If troubleshooting procedures have indicated a defective printed circuit board, follow the instructions in this section to replace the defective board with a new one.

Circuit Board Removal

Refer to Figure B-2 on page B-11 and complete the following steps:

1. After disconnecting the main power to the meter, remove the top panel from the enclosure by removing the four screws indicated.

!WARNING!

The main power to the Model DF868 must be disconnected before proceeding.

2. Disconnect all external option card connectors at the rear panel of the meter. Then, remove all installed option cards from the printed circuit board, as described earlier in this chapter.
3. Disconnect the main POWER LEADS from the screw terminals at the rear of the printed circuit board. Make a sketch of the terminal block and the locations of the black, white and green power leads to assist in reinstallation on the new circuit board.
4. Remove the RS232, ANALOG OUT and TRANSDUCER connectors from the printed circuit board. Use a marker to identify pin #1 on the right side (keypad side) of these connectors.

Circuit Board Removal (cont.)

Note: *These connectors should be pulled straight up and off the printed circuit board. DO NOT remove the leads from the screw terminals.*

5. Remove the flat KEYPAD CABLE connector from terminal J50 near the front of the printed circuit board. Mark pin #1 of the cable connector, which is located nearer the rear of the enclosure.
6. Disconnect the twisted-pair DISPLAY BACKLIGHT cable from connector J2 beneath the left side of the printed circuit board. Although this connector is polarized, it will help to note that the red wire is closer to the rear of the enclosure.
7. Remove the flat LCD DISPLAY CABLE connector from terminal J52 near the option card sockets. Mark pin #1 of the cable connector, which is located nearer the front of the enclosure.
8. Using a slotted screwdriver, remove the three mounting screws along each side of the printed circuit board. Carefully lift the printed circuit board out of the enclosure.

Proceed to the next section for instructions on installing the new printed circuit board.

Circuit Board Installation

Refer to Figure B-2 on page B-11 and complete the following steps:

1. Position the new printed circuit board within the electronics console so that it rests on the six standoffs in the base of the enclosure and the option card sockets are located near the rear of the enclosure. Secure the circuit board in place with the six screws previously removed.
2. Connect the flat LCD DISPLAY CABLE connector to terminal J52 near the option card sockets. Make sure the marked pin #1 side of the cable connector is located nearer the front of the enclosure.
3. Connect the twisted-pair DISPLAY BACKLIGHT cable to connector J2 beneath the left side of the printed circuit board. This connector is polarized and can only be installed with the red wire closer to the rear of the enclosure.
4. Connect the flat KEYPAD CABLE connector to terminal J50 near the front of the printed circuit board. Make sure the marked pin #1 side of the cable connector is located nearer the rear of the enclosure.

Circuit Board Installation
(cont.)

5. Install the RS232, ANALOG OUT and TRANSDUCER connectors onto the printed circuit board at the locations indicated in Figure B-2 on page B-11. Make sure the marked pin #1 sides of the connectors face the right side (keypad side) of the enclosure.

Note: *If any leads have come loose from the screw terminals on these connectors, refer to Appendix C, Optional Enclosures, of the Startup Guide for wiring instructions.*

6. Reconnect the main POWER LEADS to the screw terminals at the rear of the printed circuit board. When properly installed, the lead colors should be green, white and black, from left to right (as viewed from the front of the enclosure).
7. Reinstall all option cards, as described earlier in this chapter. Insert all external option card connectors at the rear panel of the meter.
8. After checking for any loose hardware that may have fallen into the enclosure, reinstall the top panel on the meter and secure the panel in place with the four screws previously removed.

The Model DF868 flowmeter may now be placed back into service. Reconnect the main power and refer to Chapter 2, *Initial Setup*, of the *Startup Guide* and Chapter 1, *Calibration*, of this *Service Manual* for instructions on properly setting up the meter for accurate flow rate measurements.

Note: *Be sure to record the printed circuit board replacement in Appendix A, Service Record.*

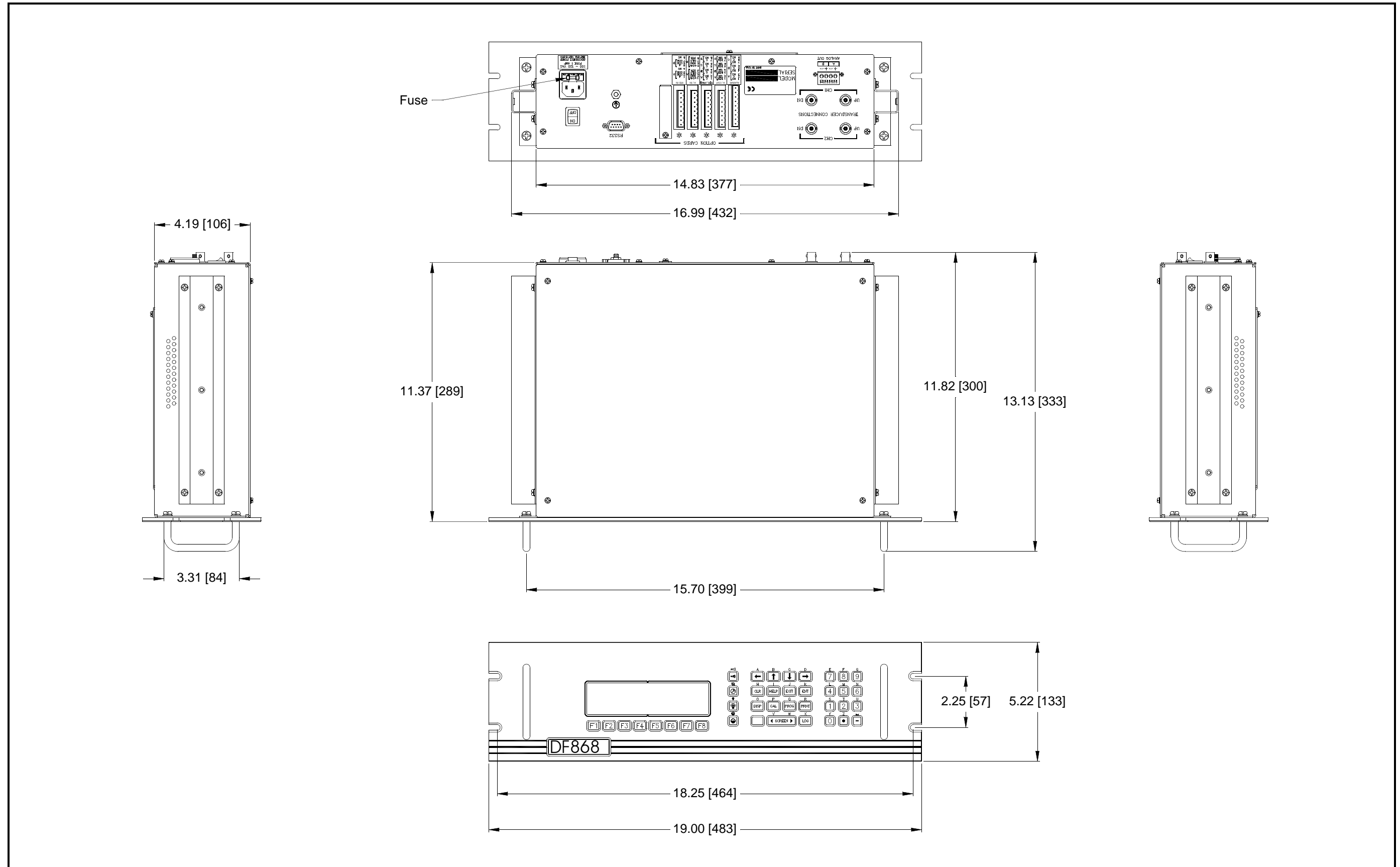


Figure B-1: Model DF868 Rack Mount Enclosure Dimensions - Drawing #712-1076

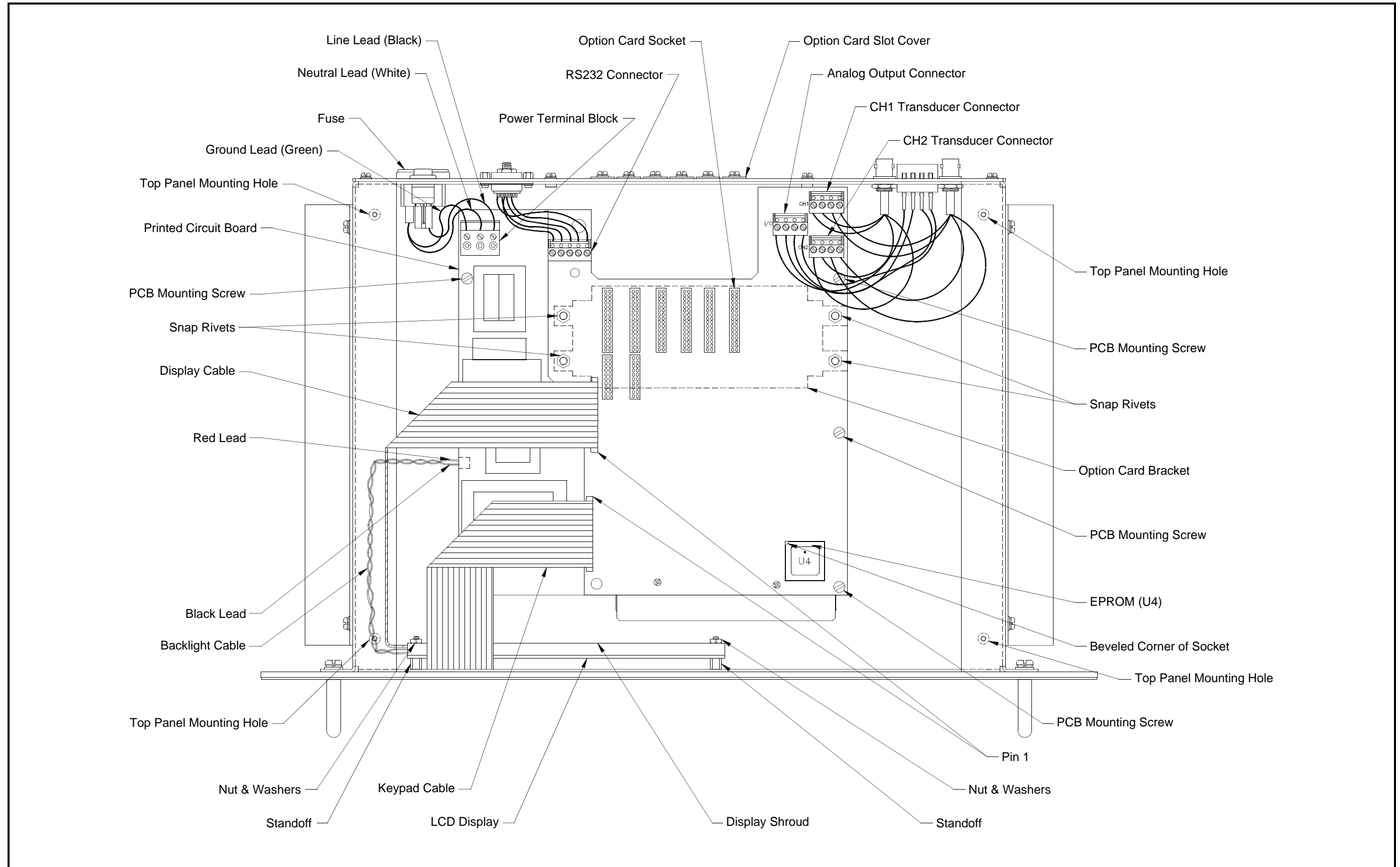


Figure B-2: Model DF868 Rack Mount Console Assembly - Drawing #705-849

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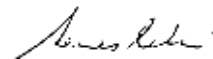
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