

### Construction :

The pressure switch is housed in a diecast aluminium enclosure. The pressure capsule, at the bottom of the switch, comprises a pressure housing (either M.S. Or S.S.), a disc, a diaphragm (Neoprene, Teflon or SS316L) and a plunger. This is a plug type switch with NO (Normally Open) or NC (Normally Closed) contacts. The electrical terminations are standard Push On type. Figure 1.

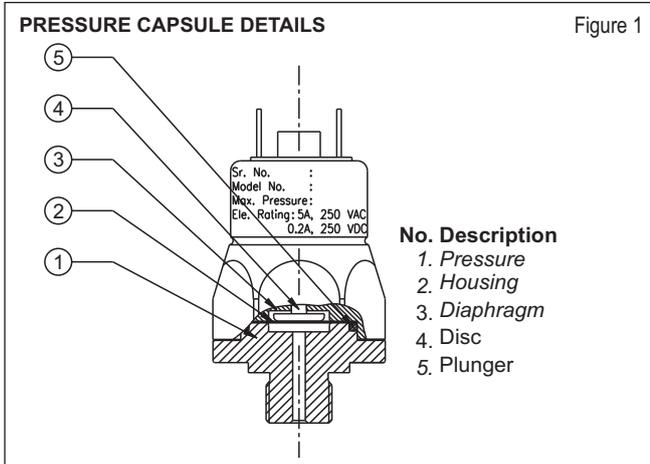


Figure 1

### Principle of Operation :

The pressure in the pressure capsule is converted into force by means of a diaphragm and a calibrated piston, which is balanced by a compression spring from above. When the force generated by the pressure in the pressure capsule exceeds/falls beyond the balancing spring force, an electrical element is actuated/deactuated.

### Materials of Construction :

Housing : Die-Cast Aluminium  
Diaphragm : Neoprene / Teflon / SS316L

### Mounting :

- 1) The SC series subminiature switches have stem type mounting and can be mounted in any direction.
- 2) The pressure port size is generally 1/4" BSP(M), unless specifically ordered otherwise. Other sizes can be obtained via adaptors for small quantities. For larger quantities, customized thread ends can be provided.

**CAUTION :** Tightening torque should not exceed by 4kg-m.

### Electrical Connections :

These pressure switches will generally have NO (Normally Open) or NC (Normally Closed) contact terminals. Figure 2.

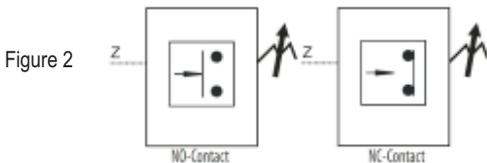


Figure 2

### Wiring :

Connect the wires to the contact terminals as per your wiring diagram.

### Set Point Adjustment :

- 1) The switching point can be easily adjusted by turning the setting screw located in between the contacts. Figure 3.
- 2) Apply the desired cutin (lower) / cutout (higher) pressure to the pressure switch.
- 3) Increase the pressure setting by turning the setting screw till contacts changeover.
- 4) Some minor adjustment will be required to achieve the exact cutin (lower) / cutout (higher) point, which can be checked with the help of a proper pressure measurement device.

**Tip :** The pressure switches are factory set at half the set point range (unless otherwise specified in a Purchase Order).

### Trouble Shooting Tips

Generally no problems are observed if the pressure switch selection, wiring and the setpoint is proper. For a pressure switch selection procedure please consult our sales office.

For properly selected pressure switches, if following symptoms are observed, the likely causes and remedies are as stated below:

#### Symptom 1: Switch does not operate

- 1) Check if the NO and NC contacts operate properly.
- 2) Pressure does not reach the pressure port.

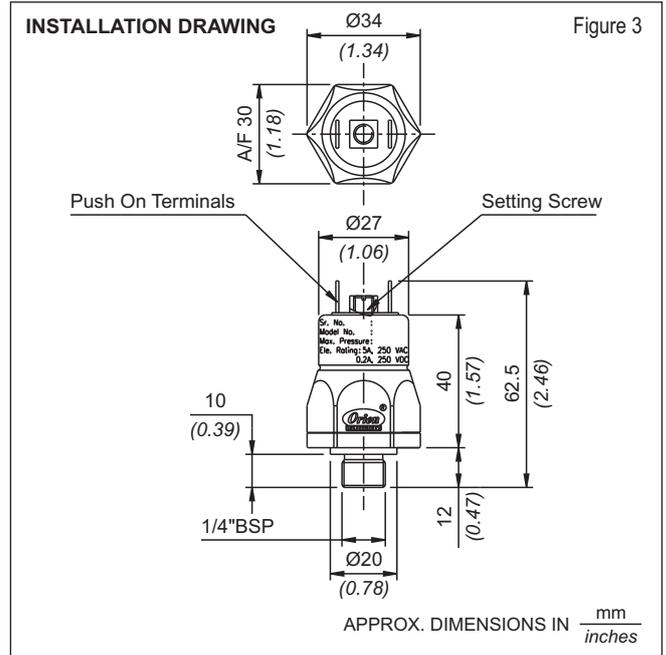


Figure 3

- a) Check if the entry to the pressure capsule is not blocked by frozen process or scales or impurities in the process.
  - i) If this is the case, try freeing the blocked path by a blunt tool in case of scales or impurities in the process.

#### **DO NOT OPEN THE PRESSURE CAPSULE IN ANY EVENT**

If the cause is none of the above mentioned probabilities, proceed as per the following steps.

- b) Check the system pressure and set point of pressure switch. For use of pressure switch for falling setpoints, system pressure has to be greater than cutin point. For use of pressure switch for rising setpoints, the system pressure may not be reaching or exceeding the cutout point.
  - i) Use 'T' connection and connect calibrated pressure gauge to the 'T' connection as shown in Figure 4.
  - ii) Adjust the setpoint such that the system pressure is greater than the cut-out point of the pressure switch.

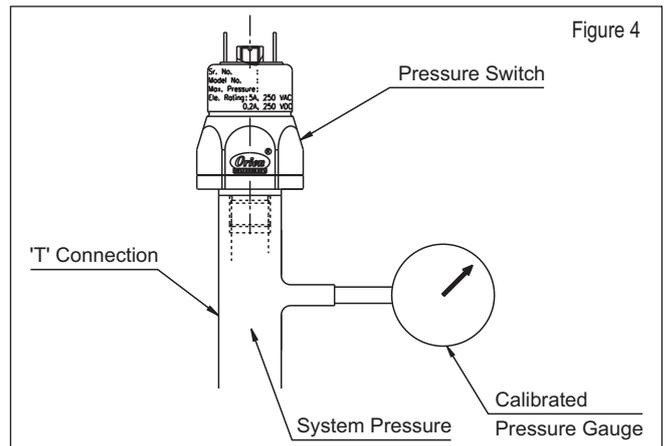


Figure 4

#### Symptom 2: Leakage

In case leakage is observed, pictures of pressure switch with wetted parts clearly visible, be mailed to [service@orion-instruments.com](mailto:service@orion-instruments.com). Please ensure to include a picture showing model no. and serial no. of the switch. Check for the following likely causes and use a new switch taking proper precautions.

- a) System pressure is greater than working pressure : Use an overrange protector or a switch with greater maximum working pressure.
- b) Incompatible wetted parts : The working medium may not be compatible with wetted parts, which damages the sealing of the process from working parts. Please choose proper compatible wetted parts.
- c) Excessive process temperature : Process temperature may exceed maximum allowable temperature, which in turn damages the diaphragms. Use an impulse tube to cool down process temperature.