Technical Documentation



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Determination of probe lengths and installation positions from FAFNIR sludge and tank probes in oil separators

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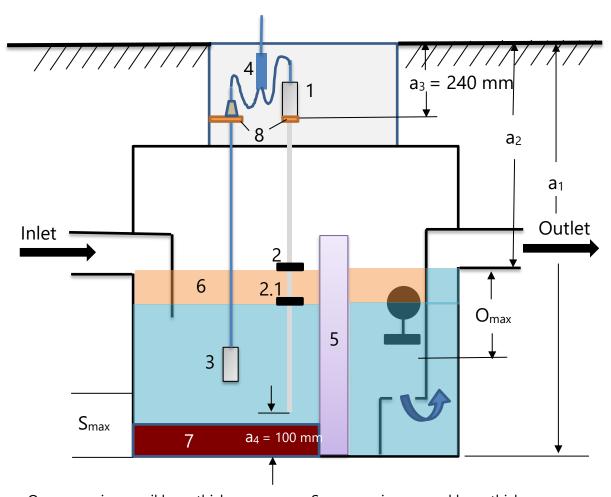


1 Oil separator in side view

Based on a schematic representation of an oil separator (single-chamber system), the installation of the probes **VISY-Stick Oil Separator** and **VISY-Sludge** and the calculation of the required probe length is shown. In a two-chamber system, the **VISY-Sludge** probe is installed in the sludge trap and the **VISY-Stick Oil Separator** probe in the coalescence separator in front of the coalescence filter.



The oil separator is Ex zone. Observe safety regulations!



 O_{max} = maximum oil layer thickness

 a_1 = separator depth

 a_3 = safety distance = **240 mm**!

1 = VISY-Stick Oil Separator

2.1 = Interface float

4 = cable connector (2-1)

6 = oil layer

8 = mounting bracket

 S_{max} = maximum mud layer thickness

a₂ = distance: Road - Overflow

 a_4 = safety distance to the ground = **100 mm**!

2 = Product float

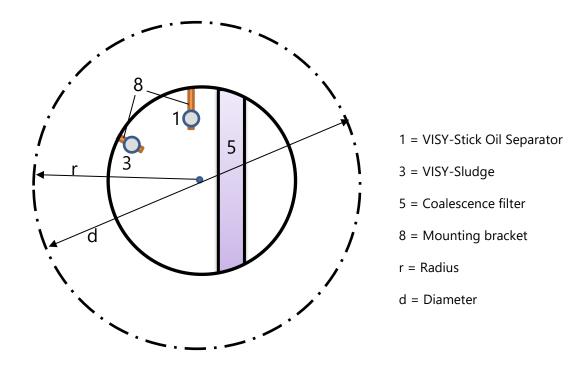
3 = VISY-Sludge

5 = coalescence filter

7 = mud layer



2 Oil separator in top view



3 Calculation of probe length for VISY-Stick Oil Separators

<u>Note</u>: There is also an Excel spreadsheet for determining the probe length "**Formula-COMS-probe-length**"

Maximum length

$$L_{max} = a_1 - a_3 - a_4$$

$$L_{max} = a_1 - 240 \text{ mm} - 100 \text{ mm}$$

$$L_{max} = a_1 - 340 \text{ mm}$$

Minimum length

$$L_{min} = a_2 + O_{max} + k - a_3$$
 $k = 50 \text{ mm}$

$$L_{min} = a_2 + O_{max} + 50 \text{ mm} - 240 \text{ mm}$$

$$L_{min} = a_2 + O_{max} - 190 \text{ mm}$$

Choice of probe length:

Please check if one of our standard lengths can be used for the calculated range between L $_{min}$ and L $_{max}$. Standard lengths for the probes are: 1500 mm; 1900 mm; 2300 mm; 2800 mm; 3200 mm. If the standard lengths do not fit between L $_{min}$ and L $_{max}$, other lengths can be ordered for a surcharge.



4 Positioning of the VISY-Sludge sensor

The membrane of the VISY-Sludge sensor must be <u>below</u> the maximum permissible oil layer thickness O_{max} and at least 100 mm <u>above</u> the maximum permissible mud layer thickness S_{max} .

The distance of the *VISY-Sludge membrane* to the *oil separator bottom* must not exceed 1400 mm.

5 Calculation of the maximum oil volume

Since almost all current oil separators are standing, round cylinders, the maximum oil volume VO_{max} can be calculated as follows, for this there is also the Excel calculation form "COMS-oil-layer-table":

$$VO_{max} = r^2 x \pi x O_{max}$$

or

$$VO_{max} = \frac{d^2}{4} \times \pi \times O_{max}$$



 \mathbf{O}_{max} is usually stated on the type plate or in the corresponding documentation of the oil separator.

If only the maximum oil volume VO_{max} is specified, O_{max} is calculated according to the formula:

$$\ddot{\mathbf{O}}_{max} = \frac{V\ddot{\mathbf{O}}_{max}}{r^2 \pi}$$

or

$$\ddot{\mathbf{O}}_{max} = \frac{V\ddot{\mathbf{O}}_{max} \times 4}{d^2 \pi}$$

$$\pi = 3,14$$



6 Example type plate for light liquid separator





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