### **Technical Documentation**



# **COMS**

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

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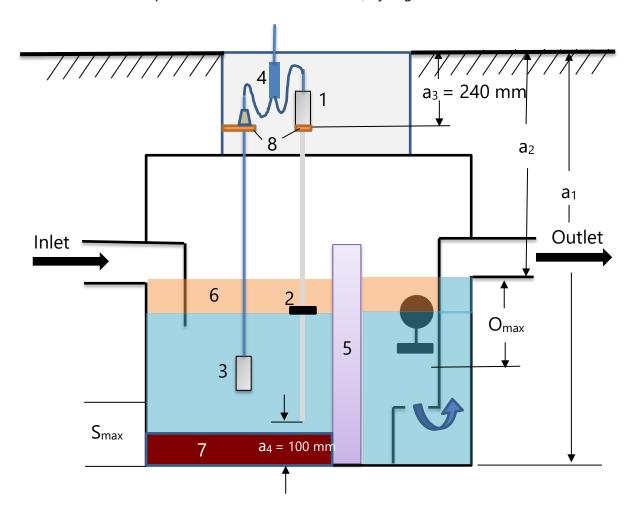


#### 1 Oil separator in side view

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 coalescing mat.



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

3 = VISY-Sludge

5 = coalescence mat

7 = mud layer

 $S_{max}$  = maximum mud layer thickness

a<sub>2</sub> = distance: Road - Overflow

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

2 = Interface float

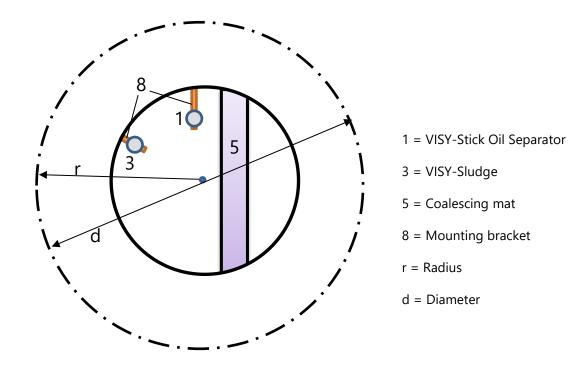
4 = cable connector (2-1)

6 = oil layer

8 = mounting bracket



#### 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 membrane of the *VISY-Sludge* sensor must be positioned at a maximum height of 1400 mm above the oil separator *bottom*!

#### 5 Calculation of the maximum oil volume

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

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

or

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

$$\pi = 3,14$$



 $O_{max}$  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 Calculation of the tank table "Oil separator"



To determine the oil separator tank table, there is the Excel calculation form "COMS-Oil-Layer-Table".

Since oil separators are usually standing cylinders, the tank table is linear and graphical representation is therefore a straight line. The creation of the tank table is therefore relatively simple and consists of a total of 11 pairs of values (oil layer thickness [mm] and oil layer volume [ltr]):

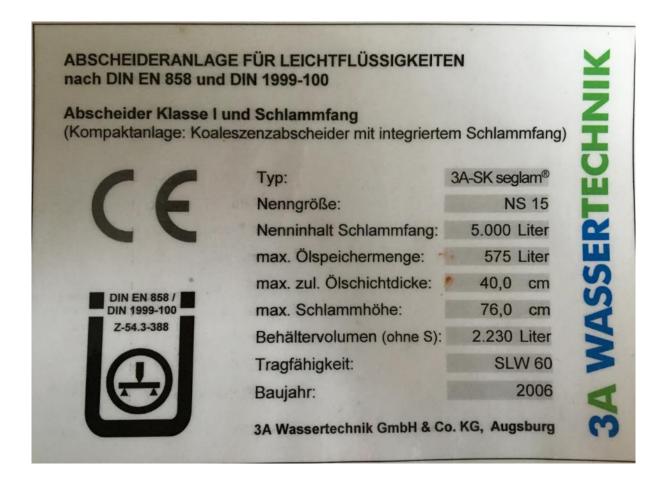
- The first value pair as start value is always "zero" [0 mm / 0 litre].
- The last value pair (No. 11) is the max. Oil layer thickness and volume [O<sub>max</sub> / VO<sub>max</sub>].
- The second pair of values is  $^1/_{10}$  of the max. Oil layer thickness and volume  $\left[\frac{\ddot{0}max}{10}/\frac{\ddot{V}\ddot{0}max}{10}\right]$
- The third value pair is the "second pair of values x 2"
- The fourth value pair is the "second pair of values x 3", etc.
- $\Rightarrow$  see the following example:

No.	mm	Vol.	Comment
1	0	0	is always the first value
2	30	8	O <sub>max</sub> /10 and VO <sub>max</sub> /10
3	60	16	Pair of values 2 x 2
4	90	24	Pair of values 2 x 3
5	120	32	Pair of values 2 x 4
6	150	40	Pair of values 2 x 5
7	180	48	Pair of values 2 x 6
8	210	56	Pair of values 2 x 7
9	240	64	Pair of values 2 x 8
10	270	72	Pair of values 2 x 9
11	300	80	O <sub>max</sub> / VO <sub>max</sub>

Oil separator tank table



### 7 Example type plate for light liquid separator





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