# **AUTO POUR**

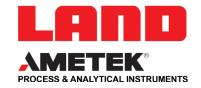
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Auto Pour System for Molten Metal Temperature Measurement











# AMETEK® PROCESS & ANALYTICAL INSTRUMENTS

# IMPORTANT INFORMATION - PLEASE READ

# **Health and Safety Information**



Read all of the instructions in this booklet - including all the WARNINGS and CAUTIONS - before using this product. If there is any instruction which you do not understand, DO NOT USE THE PRODUCT.

# **Safety Signs**



## **WARNING**

Indicates a potentially hazardous situation which, if not avoided, could result in death or personal injury.



## **CAUTION**

Indicates a potentially hazardous situation which, if not avoided, could result in minor or moderate injury to the user or users, or result in damage to the product or to property.

# NOTE

Indicates a potentially hazardous situation which, if not avoided, could result in damage or loss of data.

# Signs and Symbols used on equipment and Documentation



Caution, risk of electric shock.



Caution, attention to possibility of risk of damage to the product, process or surroundings. Refer to instruction manual.



Caution, hot surface.



Protective Conductor Terminal.



Observe precautions for handling electrostatic discharge sensitive devices.

# **Equipment Operation**

Use of this instrument in a manner not specified by AMETEK Land may be hazardous. Read **and understand** the user documentation supplied **before** installing and operating the equipment.

The safety of any system incorporating this equipment is the responsibility of the assembler.

# **Protective Clothing, Face and Eye Protection**

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# **Electrical Power Supply**

Before working on the electrical connections, all of the electrical power lines to the equipment must be isolated. All the electrical cables and signal cables must be connected exactly as indicated in these operating instructions. If in doubt, contact AMETEK Land.

# Storage

The instrument should be stored in its packaging, in a dry sheltered area.

The maximum storage temperature is 10 °C (18 °F) higher than the maximum operating temperature.

The minimum storage temperature is  $10\,^{\circ}\text{C}$  (18 °F) lower than the minimum operating temperature.

Refer to the Technical Specification for details of the operating temperature limits.

# Unpacking

Check all packages for external signs of damage. Check the contents against the packing note.

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DO NOT RETURN a damaged instrument to the sender as the carrier will not then consider a claim. Save the packing with the damaged article for inspection by the carrier.

# **Return of Goods for Repair**

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# INTRODUCTION



# Introduction

# 1.1 About this Supplement Guide

This supplement guide gives you the specific information necessary for you to install and operate a Landmark Graphic MkII signal processor (LMG MkII) with an Auto Pour processing card & Spot Viewer logging software.

This guide must be read in conjunction with the standard LMG MkII User Guide and the standard Spot Viewer Software User Guide.

It covers the electrical installation, Auto Pour specific touchscreen displays and menu system, explains the Auto Pour signal processing, and explains how to connect the Spot Viewer Software to the LMG MkII.

Electronic copies of this User Guide can be obtained from the LAND website **www.ametek-land.com**.

# 1.2 About the Processor

The LMG MkII signal processor with Auto Pour card is designed to be used in conjunction with AMETEK Land R1 infrared thermometers and Auto Pour specific software for data logging.

The processor features include:

- Large, clear, bright full colour LCD touchscreen with wide viewing angle
- Easy to use configuration menu system, with security code, contextsensitive help display and 'Quick Key' selection of the most commonly changed parameters
- Language choice for the display text
- An additional Auto Pour function processing algorithm
- A choice of time function processing options for each thermometer input
- Current and voltage retransmission output for SCADA connections
- +24 V dc Power input (separate DIN rail power supply for mains inputs)
- Serial communications as standard in RS 485 format
- A front panel cover which provides sealing to IP65 standards

The software features include:

 Automatic 'logging on value change' which logs the final average temperature value of each pour

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# INSTALLING THE AUTO POUR SYSTEM

# 2 Installing the Auto Pour System

# 2.1 System Installation

This guide gives you the specific information necessary for you to install and operate a Landmark Graphic MkII signal processor (LMG MkII) with an Auto Pour processing card.

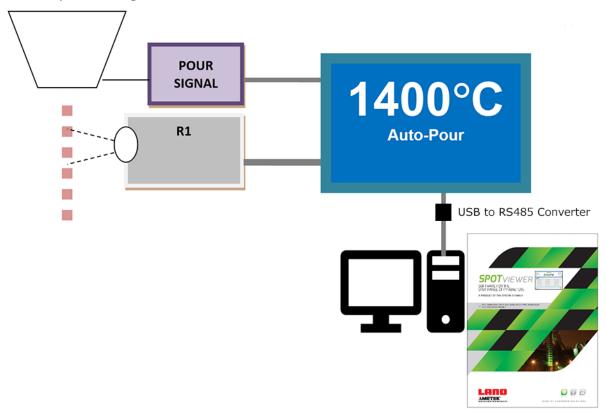


Fig. 2-1 Auto Pour System Overview

- The system requires the user to provide a signal indicating when the pour is taking place
- A System 4 R1 thermometer is aimed to cover the area where the pour emerges – it is not necessary to fill the field of view of the thermometer with the hot pouring metal
- The LMG MkII will calculate the average temperature of the poured metal
- The result of the calculation will be logged by the SPOT Viewer Software

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# 2.2 Electrical Connections

The electrical connections to and from the processor are all made via connectors on the rear panel of the processor. Fig. 2-2 shows the location of the connectors.

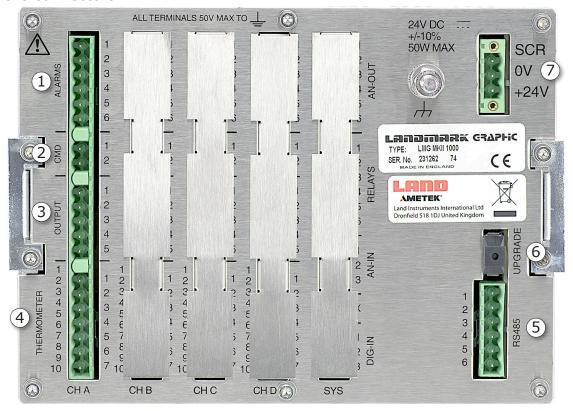


Fig. 2-2 Rear panel electrical connections

- Alarm output (optional) 1
- 2 Command input (CMD) - connect to the Pour signal - See 2.2.1
- Retransmission output (optional)
- Thermometer connector connect to the R1 thermometer see 4 2.2.2
- 5 RS485 serial communications output – connect to the computer – see 2.2.4
- USB update port (optional) 6
- 7 Power input +24Vdc - connect to the power supply - see 2.2.3

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# 2.2.1 CMD (Command) input connection schedule

The CMD (Command) input connection schedule is given in Fig. 2-3.

The command signal is inactive when the voltage is >3.0 V or open circuit (i.e. Track)

The command signal is active when the voltage is  $<1.5\,\text{V}$  or short circuit (i.e. Hold).

Pin Nº	Function	Description		
	CMD+ CMD-	Command input drive Command input return		

Fig. 2-3 CMD (Command) cable connection schedule The command input can be controlled via a remote switch/relay contact, as shown in Fig. 2-4.

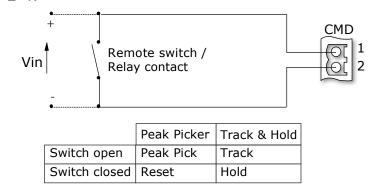


Fig. 2-4 CMD (Command) input control via a remote switch/relay contact

# 2.2.2 Thermometer connection schedule

The thermometer connection schedule is given in Fig. 2-5.

Pin No		Cable Colour	Function	
THERMOMETER	1 2 3 4 5 6 7	Yellow Blue White Screen Red Black Green	T+ T- E+ Screen V+ V- E-	T Temperature signal from thermometer  E Emissivity signal to thermometer  V Power supply to thermometer

Fig. 2-5 Thermometer connection schedule

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# 2.2.3 DC power input

The dc power input connection schedule is given in Fig. 2-6.

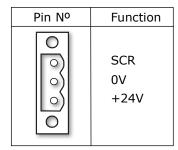


Fig. 2-6 DC power input connection schedule

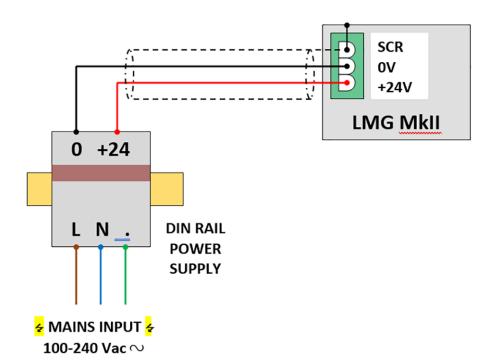


Fig. 2-7 DC power input from Power Supply

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# 2.2.4 RS485 connections

The signals available on the RS485 connector, on the rear panel of the Landmark Graphic MkII Processor, are shown in Fig. 2-8.

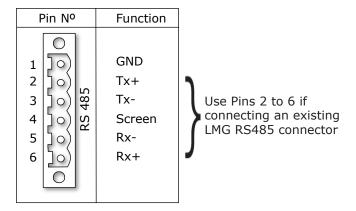
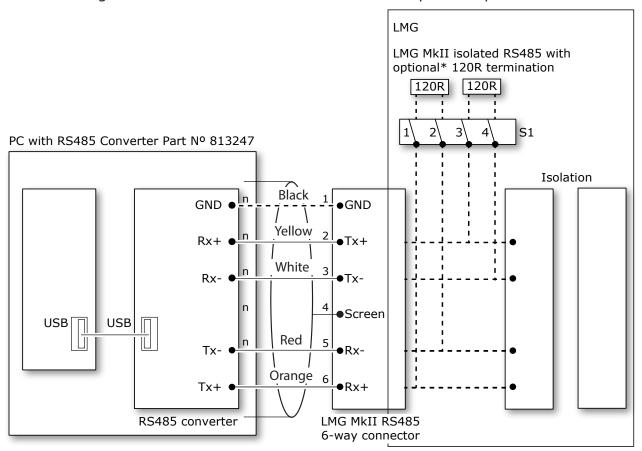


Fig. 2-8 RS485 interface connector on rear panel of processor



<sup>\*</sup>Remove rear cover of LMG MkII to access S1

Fig. 2-9 RS485 interface connections

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# USING THE PROCESSOR



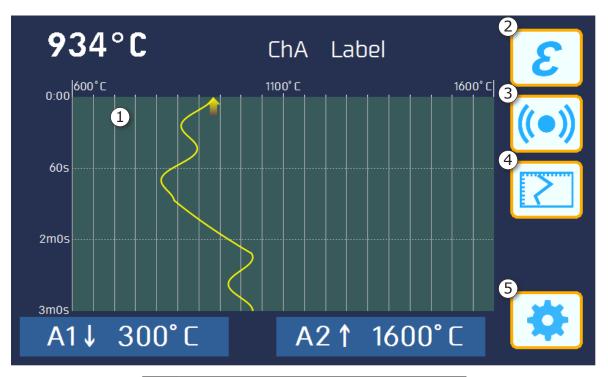
# **Using the Processor**

Once the processor has been installed as described in Section 2, it must be configured, via the processor's menu system, using the touchscreen display on the front panel. The location of the controls is given in Fig. 3-1.

# 3.1 Getting Started (accessing the menu system)

When the Landmark Graphic MkII processor is connected to a System 4 R1 thermometer and a suitable power supply, the processor display will be similar to that shown in Fig. 3-1.

On the left is the Temperature Display area (1). On the right are 3 'Quick' buttons (2), (3) & (4), to access the commonly adjusted parameters quickly. To access the configuration menus, and set up your system to your particular requirements, press the **Settings** button (5)



- 1 Touch screen display
- 2 Emissivity adjustment 'Quick button'
- 3 Alarm settings 'Quick button'
- 4 Display selector 'Quick button'
- 5 Settings menu

Fig. 3-1 Front panel touchscreen display and controls

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# 3.2 About the Channel Configuration Menu

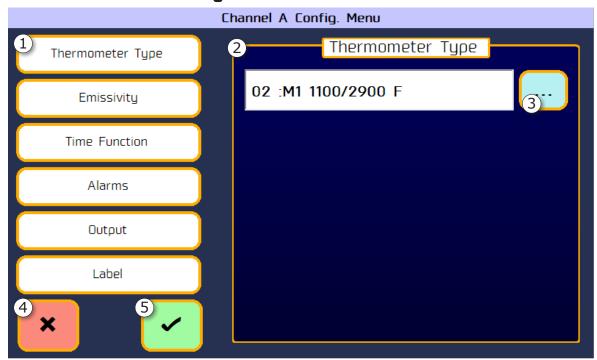


Fig. 3-2 Configuration Menu components

Each Channel Configuration Menu comprises the components shown in Fig. 3-2.

The function of each component of the menu is as follows.

This shows the items that can be altered in the Main Menu Configuration Menu. This shows the list of options available for each main Sub Menu item in the Configuration Menu. Allows selection of the options available in this item. Browse Button Discards any changes and returns to the previous Cancel Button screen. Confirm Button Saves and applies any changes and returns to the previous screen.

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# 3.3 Adjusting items in the Channel Configuration Menu

- 1) Select an item from the Main Menu (1) The sub-menu (2) relating to the selected item is activated.
- 2) Use the on-screen controls (3) to select the required value for the item.
- 3) To save your changes and exit the Configuration menu, press the Confirm button 5 (or to discard your changes press Cancel 4). The Main Configuration menu is displayed.
- 4) To exit the Main Configuration Menu, press Cancel 4.

  Details of the configurations available are in the main LMG MkII Processor User Guide as follows:

The following items must be set for correct operation of the auto pour system

- Thermometer Type Section 3.4
- Emissivity/Non Greyness Section 3.5
- Time Functions Section 3.6

# 3.4 Thermometer Type

1) To access the Configuration Menu, press the Settings button



2) Select the Thermometer Type option. A typical Thermometer Type display is shown in Fig. 3-3.

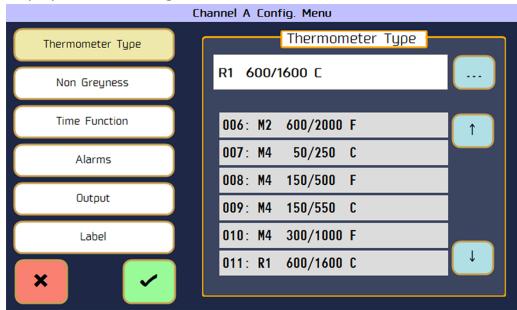


Fig. 3-3 Thermometer Type display

3) Navigate through the list of thermometer types and select **R1 600/1600 C** the exact System 4 thermometer type & temperature range that you have connected to a particular channel.

This is important because the LMG MkII applies additional corrections based on the thermometer type in order to achieve the highest possible system accuracy.

If an incorrect type is selected, then the wrong correction will be applied. It also sets the range of temperature values allowed in other channel configuration parameters.

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# 3.5 Non Greyness

Select the Non-Greyness option. The Set Non Greyness display is shown in Fig. 3-4.



Fig. 3-4 Non Greyness display

# 3.6 Auto Pour Time Function

The LMG MkII contains a number of Time Function algorithms which help deliver a more consistent temperature reading from a sometimes noisy, changeable reading from the infrared thermometer.

In particular the Auto Pour function works as follows.

The Pour signal controls an averager function within the LMG MkII. For the duration of the Pour signal being active the LMG MkII will compute the average of the signal during that time, and will update its output on the falling edge

Although the R1 thermometer is designed to work with an incomplete field of view, Upper and Lower thresholds are set above and below the temperature range of interest. The LMG MkII will exclude from the averager all values above and below these thresholds.

These help to exclude high temperature and low temperature anomalies from the data stream from affecting the average value.

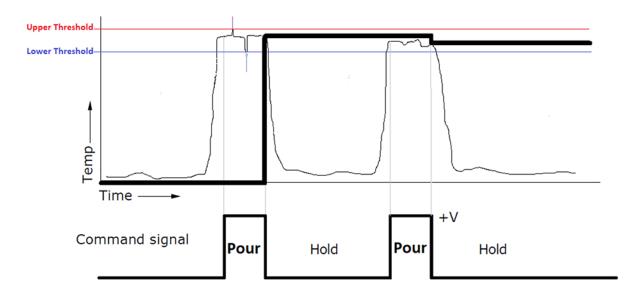


Fig. 3-5 Auto Poor Time Function Processing

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The following sections help you select and configure the Auto Pour function The time functions available are shown in Fig. 3-6.

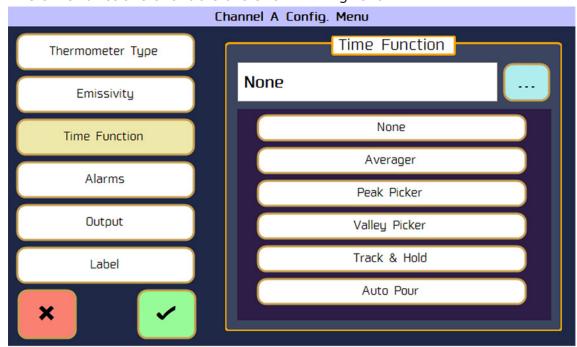


Fig. 3-6 Time Function processing menu

Choose the **Auto Pour** function from the bottom of the list This then brings up the **Auto Pour** configuration screen in which you can select the upper and lower thresholds, as shown in Fig 3-7.

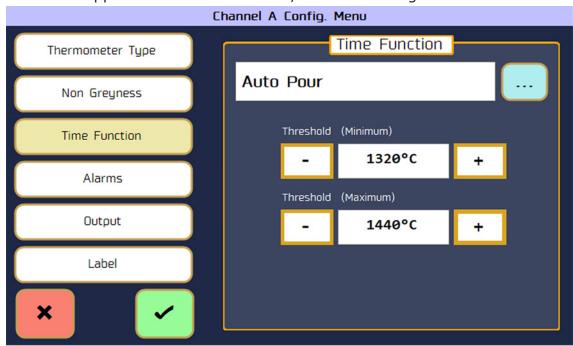


Fig. 3-7 Auto Pour configuration menu

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# SOFTWARE



SPOTViewer is a free software application for Windows PCs which is available for download from the AMETEK Land Website. Versions 5.1.1 and above support LMG MkII with Auto Pour functionality.

An RS485 to USB interface is required to connect the LMG MKII to a Windows PC. Refer to Section 2.2.4 for further information.

For general installation and operational instructions of SPOTViewer, please refer to the SPOTViewer user guide.

# 4.1 To connect your LMG MkII to SPOTViewer

1) Open the Devices window by clicking on the **Devices** button on the menu.

2) Remove the pre-configured SPOT and Actuator devices from the Devices

list by selecting them and pressing the **Delete** button.



3) Press the manual **Add** button to add a new device.



- 4) Enter a name for the device and select **LMG MkII** from the Type drop-down box.
- 5) Select the **COM Channel** to which the LMG MkII device is connected on your PC.
- The remaining connection settings must match the settings applied in the LMG MkII.
- 7) Press **OK**. SPOTViewer will connect to the LMG MkII Auto Pour card.

# Add Device Name LMG Type LMG MkII Serial Communications COM Channel • LMG Address 0 Card Α Baud Rate Ŧ 57600 Data Bits 8 Parity • None Stop Bits 1 Cancel

# 4.2 Logging On Value Change

To log data only when the value is changed:

- 1) Click on the **Data** > **Triggers** menu option.
- 2) Create a new Trigger.
- 3) Name the trigger and select the **Conditional** type and press Next.
- 4) Select the Data to log and press Next.
- 5) Change the **Mode** to **OnValueChanged**.
- 6) Press **Next** and **Exit**.
- 7) Go to the **Data** tab of the Data Logging window.
- 8) Select the Data to log and press **Add**.
- 9) On the **Mode** column of the data added, select the trigger you have just created.
- 10) Press **OK**. Data will now only be logged on data change.

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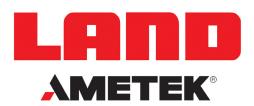
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