

LS32-1500 Liquid Flow Meter

Compact Flow Meter for Low Flow Rates

- Liquid flow rates up to 40 ml/min
- 20 ms response time
- Excellent repeatability
- High chemical compatibility



Product Summary

The LS32-1500 enables precise, non-invasive measurements of dynamic liquid flow rates up to 40 ml/min bi-directionally. Excellent biocompatibility is ensured by the exclusive use of high-performance stainless steel, PTFE and PEEK for the wetted parts. The flow path of the LS32-1500 liquid flow sensor is formed by an especially thin-walled, straight tube which assures excellent sensitivity.

Interface Options

Digital

- I2C-Bus

For more information on communication, please refer to page 5 of this document.

Benefits of Sensirion's CMOSens® Technology

- High reliability and long-term stability
- Industry-proven technology with a track record of more than 10 years
- Designed for mass production
- Low signal noise

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1 Sensing Performance

| Parameter | LS32-1500 | Unit |
|---|-----------|-----------------------|
| Full scale flow rate | 40 | ml/min |
| Sensor output limit ^a | 65 | ml/min |
| Accuracy ^b (whichever error is larger) | 5 | % of measured value |
| | 0.25 | % of full scale |
| Repeatability ^b (whichever error is larger) | 0.5 | % of measured value |
| | 0.025 | % of full scale |
| Temperature coefficient (additional error per °C; whichever is larger) | 0.25 | % measured value / °C |
| | 0.00625 | % full scale / °C |
| Mounting orientation sensitivity ^c | <0.1 | % of full scale |

^aFlow rate at which the sensor output saturates, see section 1.2 for performance specification between full scale and saturation point.

^bAccuracy respectively repeatability below ± 20 ml/min. See the charts in section 1.2 for the accuracy respectively repeatability specifications between ± 20 ml/min and full scale.

^cMaximum additional offset when flow channel is vertical.

Table 1: Performance of LS32-1500 (all data for medium H₂O, 23°C, 1 bar_{abs} unless otherwise noted)

1.1 Specification Charts

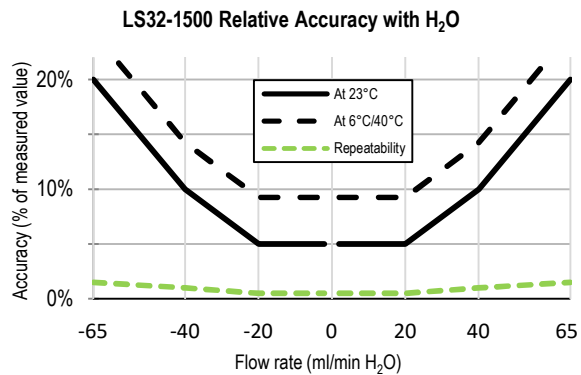


Figure 1: Sensor accuracy and repeatability (% of measured value) across the sensor's flow range

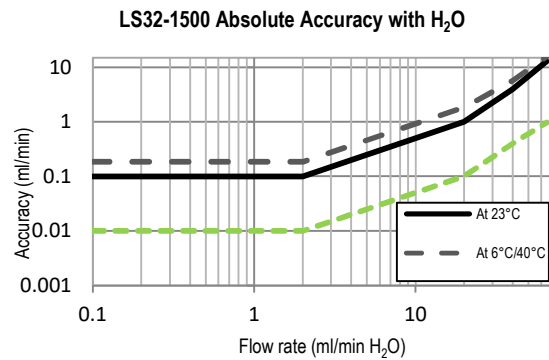


Figure 2: Sensor accuracy and repeatability (ml/min) across the sensor's flow range

2 Specifications

The OEM flow sensor LS32-1500 shows bi-directional, linear transfer characteristics. The product comes fully calibrated for water.

2.1 Electrical Specifications

| Parameter | Symbol | Conditions | Min. | Typical | Max. | Units | Comments |
|-------------------|--------|-------------|------|---------|------|-------|-----------|
| Supply voltage DC | VDD | | 4.0 | 5.0 | 6.0 | V | |
| Supply current | IDD | Measurement | | 5.1 | | mA | VDD = 5 V |

Table 3: DC Characteristics

2.2 Timing Specifications

| Parameter | Symbol | Min. | Typical | Max. | Units | Comments |
|--------------------------------|-----------|------|---------|------|-------|--|
| Power-up time | t_{PU} | | | 25 | ms | Time to sensor ready |
| Flow detection response time | | | 20 | | ms | Response time to flow changes (τ_{63}) |
| I ² C SCL frequency | f_{I2C} | | 100 | 400 | kHz | |
| Readout frequency | | 12.5 | 200 | 1000 | Hz | Depending on Resolution setting. Sampling time for 9 bit resolution: 1 ms, for 16 bit resolution: < 80 ms. |

Table 4: Timing specifications

2.3 Absolute Minimum and Maximum Ratings

| Parameter | Rating | Unit |
|---|-------------|------|
| Operating temperature | +5 ... +50 | °C |
| Short term storage temperature ^a | -10 ... +60 | °C |
| Supply voltage | 6 | V |

^aFlow path empty. Short-term storage refers to temporary conditions during e.g. transport.

Table 2: Absolute minimum and maximum ratings

2.4 Electrical Connector and Pinout

Connector Type: PCB Header Molex 4 Pin Vertical Art.-No. 0533980471.

| Pin | |
|-----|----------------------|
| 1 | SCL (bi-directional) |
| 2 | VDD |
| 3 | GND |
| 4 | SDA |

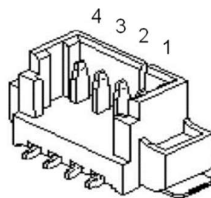


Table 5: Electrical pinout

3 Communication Interface Description

3.1 Digital Communication via I²C-Bus

Digital communication between a master and the LS32-1500 sensor runs via the standard I²C-interface. The physical interface consists of two bus lines, a data line (SDA) and a clock line (SCL) which need to be connected via pull-up resistors to the bus voltage of the system. By default, the I²C address is set to 64 (hexadecimal: 40, binary: 1000000).

These lines can be used on 3.3V or 5.0V level with a clock frequency of 100 kHz. For the detailed specifications of this I²C communication, please refer to specific I²C Application Notes from Sensirion.

4 Fluidic Specification and Connection

| Parameter | LS32-1500 |
|---|--|
| Wetted materials: | |
| <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Internal sensor tube material | 904L high-performance stainless steel |
| <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Fitting material | PEEK |
| <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Sealing material | PTFE |
| Fluid connector ports (Fittings) | 1/4-28 flat bottom 1/8" OD tubing (recommended: min. 2 mm ID) |
| Pressure drop (at 40 ml/min, H ₂ O, 23°C) | 2.15 mbar |
| Total internal volume | ~70 µl |

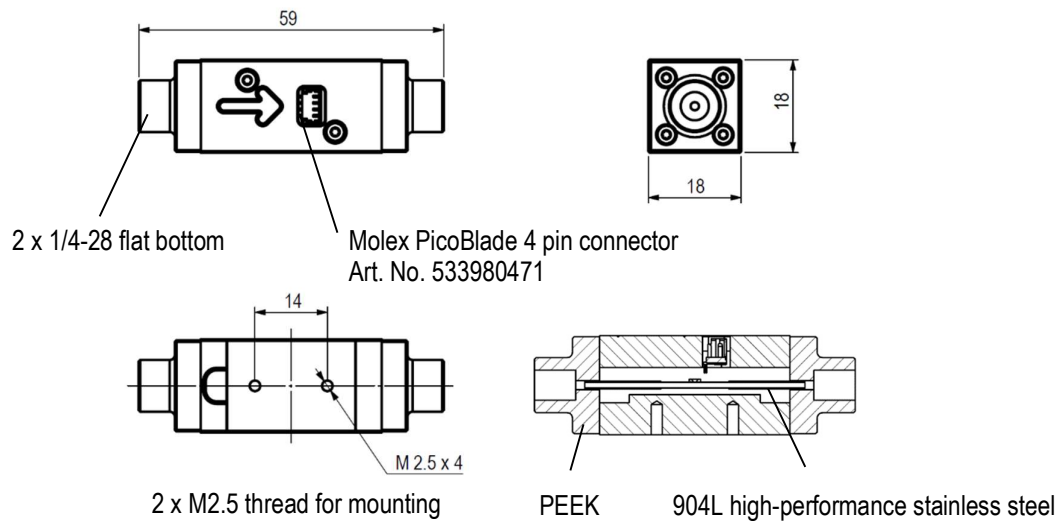
Table 6: Fluidic Specifications

For more information on the fluidic connection please find: "Application Note Sensor Ports and Tubing Connections" in the Download Center on our webpage (www.sensirion.com/liquidflow-download).

5 Mechanical Specifications

| Parameter | LS32-1500 |
|--|-----------------|
| Largest dimensions | 59 x 18 x 18 mm |
| Total mass | ~30 g |
| Inner diameter flow channel | 1.5 mm |
| Maximum recommended operating pressure | 12 bar |
| Burst pressure | 25 bar |

Table 7: Mechanical specifications and pressure rating



All dimensions in mm

6 Ordering Information

Standard shipment includes only the sensor, neither cables nor fluidic connection material. Preassembled 4-pin Molex to pigtail ribbon cables (Molex 4- pol Type no. 51021-0400, 30 cm) can be ordered optionally.

| Product | Article No | MOQ | Packaging Unit |
|-----------------------------|-------------|-----|----------------|
| LS32-1500 Liquid Flow Meter | 1-101127-01 | 10 | 10 |
| Ribbon Cable for LS32 30cm | 1-101121-01 | 10 | n/a |

Table 8: Ordering information

7 REACH, RoHS, and WEEE

The flow meters of the SLI series comply with requirements of the following directives and regulations:

- EU Directive 1907/2006/EC concerning Registration, Evaluation, Authorization and Restriction of Chemicals (**REACH**)
- EU Directive 2002/95/EC on the restriction of certain hazardous substances in electric and electronic equipment (**RoHS**), OJ01.01.2011
- EU Directive 2002/96/EC on waste electrical and electronic equipment (**WEEE**), OJ13.02.2003; esp. its Article 6 (1) with Annex II.

8 Important Notices

8.1 Warning, Personal Injury

Do not use this product as safety or emergency stop devices or in any other application where failure of the product could result in personal injury. Do not use this product for applications other than its intended and authorized use. Before installing, handling, using or servicing this product, please consult the data sheet and application notes. Failure to comply with these instructions could result in death or serious injury.

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8.2 ESD Precautions

The inherent design of this component causes it to be sensitive to electrostatic discharge (ESD). To prevent ESD-induced damage and/or degradation, take customary and statutory ESD precautions when handling this product.

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