Load Cell DIN Rail Signal Amplifier with Relays

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**Product Features & Benefits**

- **Standard analogue outputs 4-20mA and 0-10V**
- **Save on Cost & Increase Reliability:** 2 single pole relays & digital inputs as factory standard
  Provides controls and alarms without the cost of additional instrumentation
- **10 point linearization provides superior accuracy**
- **Greater Flexibility:** 6 wire load cell connection to compensate for barrier and cable losses
- **Full Digital Setup & Easy Programming:**
  - Options via a handheld unit or USB connection to a PC using our industry leading intuitive software
- **Lockable Features prevents loss of device settings through user misuse**
- **Configuration can be saved and restored for security of setup**

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**Accessories**

- **LP2** Remote Handheld Programmer
- **PGM1** PC Communication Cable
- **LC Toolkit** Toolkit software
## Specifications

### Electrical Specifications

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<td>9 to 32 V DC</td>
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<td>Power</td>
<td>2.5W typical</td>
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<td>Bridge excitation</td>
<td>4.75 to 5.25 V</td>
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<td>Bridge resistance (minimum for 5V Excitation)</td>
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<td>0.5 to 7.8 mV/V</td>
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<td>Resolution</td>
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<td>Analogue outputs</td>
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<td>Relays</td>
<td>2 off SPNO</td>
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<td>Relay contacts rating</td>
<td>3A 240V AC / 3A 30V DC</td>
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<td>Isolation</td>
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### Environmental

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<td>Operating temperature range:</td>
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<tr>
<td>with four 350 ohm load cells</td>
<td>-20 to 70 °C</td>
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<td>with one LCI + four 350 ohm load cells</td>
<td>-20 to 60 °C</td>
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<td>Storage temperature range</td>
<td>-20 to 90 °C</td>
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<td>Maximum Humidity</td>
<td>95% Non-Condensing</td>
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### Approvals

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## Order Codes

**LCD20**
Load Cell Amplifier In DIN Enclosure

**LP2**
Handheld Programmer

**PGM1**
Programming Cable for Toolkit

Manual Reference: 517-939
EASY TO USE, INTUITIVE TOOLKIT SOFTWARE FOR SPEEDY AND PAINLESS SET-UP

- **CONNECT IN SECONDS** - with pc auto detection there’s no scrolling through lists of product codes.
- **INTUITIVE INTERFACE** - you don’t have to read a manual to get started. Our well-designed interface gives you highlighted options so you know what’s click-able.
- **LOGICAL** - our toolkits configure, calibrate and provide logging functionality.
- **WE DO THE THINKING FOR YOU** - our toolkits have useful help panels at each stage of the process to help you make the right choice.
- **USE ONE, USE THEM ALL** - our icon based navigation is common to all toolkits. If you’re familiar with one toolkit you’ll quickly pick up the others.
- **FREE** - all of our software is freely available.

**TAKE A TOUR**

**WHAT CAN IT DO?**

The LC Toolkit software for Windows connects with the LCD20 via an optional programming cable PGM1. The toolkit allows all aspects of the LCD20 to be configured:

- Configure settings
- Calibrate inputs
- Calibrate analogue outputs
- Save and restore settings to a file
- Log data to a CSV file
- View data on a chart
- Use as a large display

**THE DASHBOARD**

- Icon based intuitive navigation
- Help panels in ‘plain English’
- Interactive elements highlighted orange

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**CALIBRATE 10-POINT LINEARISATION**

Calibration can be achieved by applying known weights or by entering values from the load cell calibration certificate. You can also calibrate the shunt calibration function so a valid system will give a known value of 100.

**RELAY OUTPUT CONFIGURATION**

Configure the pair of relays with a graphical representation to aid understanding the effects of different settings.

**DIGITAL INPUT SELECTION**

This page allows you to configure the functions of the digital inputs. The state of the inputs can also be viewed.

**CONFIGURE DISPLAY TO GENERATED OUTPUT**

Features a real-time scrolling graphic display. The chart can hold 10000 points and you can use the control bar beneath it to set the start and end points of the chart view. The Y axis of the chart is auto scaling.