



AMC-UTx-REF

Refrigerant Sensor/Transmitter

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1 General Information

1.1 Warranty

This product is warranted against defects in material and workmanship for a period of two years from date of delivery. Maintenance items are not warranted. During the warranty period, The Armstrong Monitoring Corporation will repair or replace components that prove to be defective in the opinion of AMC. Any equipment deemed to be defective by the user should be returned to The Armstrong Monitoring Corporation for evaluation (see product return below). Site visits by Armstrong personnel, to evaluate/repair equipment, are not covered by this warranty unless covered under the site contract. AMC is not liable for auxiliary interfaced equipment, nor for consequential damage. This warranty shall not apply to any product which has been modified in any way, which has been repaired by any other party other than a qualified technician or authorized AMC representative, or when failure is due to misuse or conditions of use.

Note: Extended Warranty and mail in calibration programs are available (please call 1-800-465-5777) or see our contacts page at www.armstrongmonitoring.com

1.2 Liability

All AMC products must be installed and maintained according to instructions. Only qualified personnel should install and maintain the equipment. This product must not be placed in areas with combustible gases reaching 100% LEL (environments prone to explosions).

AMC shall have no liability arising from auxiliary interfaced equipment, for consequential damage, or the installation and operation of this equipment. AMC shall have no liability for labor or freight costs, or any other costs or charges in excess of the amount of the invoice for the products.

THIS WARRANTY IS IN LIEU OF ALL OTHER WARRANTIES, EXPRESSED OR IMPLIED AND SPECIFICALLY THE WARRANTIES OF MERCHANTABILITY AND FITNESS FOR A PARTICULAR PURPOSE. THERE ARE NO WARRANTIES THAT EXTEND BEYOND THE DESCRIPTION ON THE FACE THEREOF.

1.3 Product Return

All products returned for warranty or service should be shipped by prepaid freight and will be accepted only with RMA or repair number issued by AMC.



1.4 Contact Information

For information, please call 1-800-465-5777, visit www.armstrongmonitoring.com or email directly support@armstrongmonitoring.com.

1.5 Modifications and Substitutions

Due to an ongoing development program, AMC reserves the right to substitute components and change specifications at any time without incurring any obligations.

1.6 Glossary

Act Delay	The delay in seconds between the gas concentration reaching an alarm setpoint, and the corresponding alarm level activating.
Alarm	Alarm is an audible, visual, or physical presentation designed to warn the instrument user that a specific level of a dangerous gas/vapor concentration has been reached or exceeded.
Calibration	Calibration is the procedure used to adjust the instrument for proper response.
Calibration Gas	Calibration Gas is a gas of known concentration used in adjusting and testing gas detection equipment to ensure proper function and accurate readings.
Gas Concentration	Gas Concentration can be measured in: <ul style="list-style-type: none">• ppm• %LEL• %LFL• % Volume
Hysteresis	A user-set difference from an alarm's setpoint prevents frequent alarm activation. Hysteresis solely impacts alarm deactivation, not its activation tied to the setpoint.
LEL	Lower Explosive Limit is the lowest concentration (percentage) of a gas or a vapor in air capable of combusting in the presence of an ignition source (arc, flame, heat).
LFL	Lower flammability limit (LFL): The lowest concentration (percentage) of a gas or a vapor in air capable of producing a flash of fire in the presence of an ignition source (arc, flame, heat).
Min Run	The minimum time in seconds that an alarm state will remain active, even if the gas concentration has returned above/below the setpoint +/- hysteresis (based on a decreasing or increasing alarm type).
ppm	Parts Per Million (1% volume = 10,000ppm)
Percent by Volume	Concentration of gas in a mixture expressed as a percentage of total volume.
Span	The difference between the highest concentration and lowest concentration.
T90	Response Time in seconds to achieve 90% gas concentration reading.



T99	Response Time in seconds to achieve 99% gas concentration reading.
Zero Buffering	Zero buffering is a function of the monitor which forces the gas concentration reading to zero when sensor is exposed to low concentration of a gas. The zero buffer is indicated in the sensor specification.
Zero Gas	Zero gas is gas in which the target gas is not present. The presence of oxygen is required. Clean air is an excellent source for zero calibration. A known gas concentration can be entered during zero calibration.

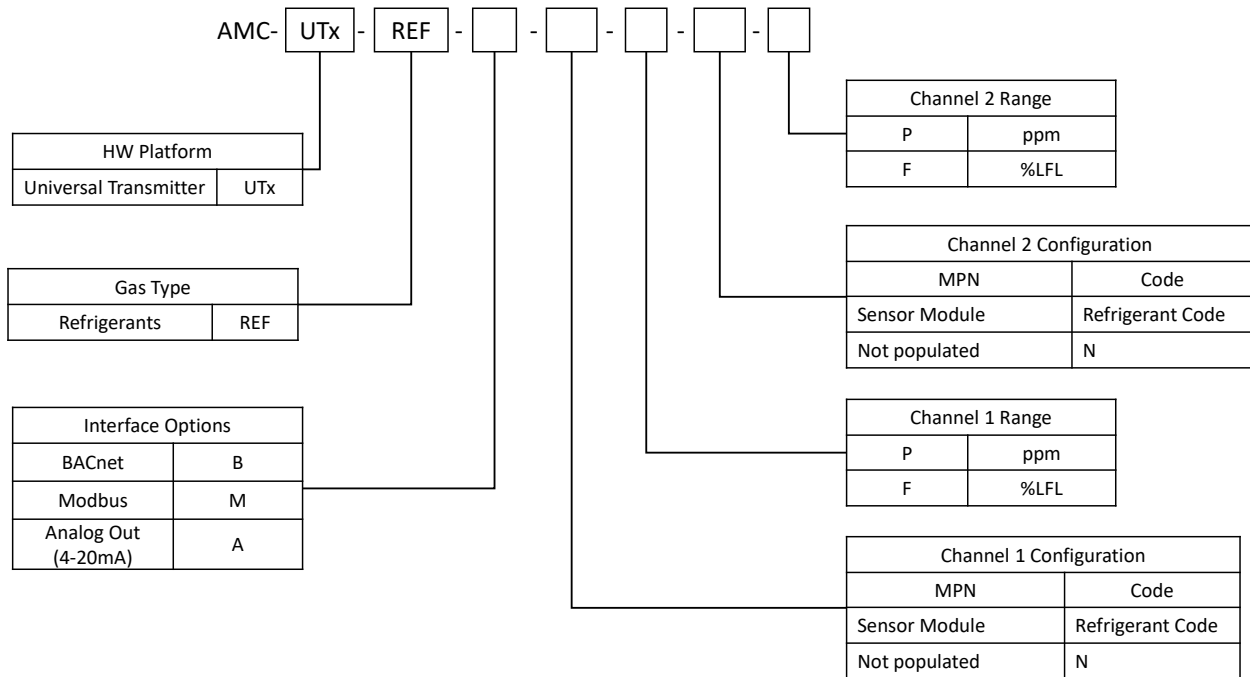
2 Product Specifications

2.1 AMC-UTx-REF Transmitter Specifications

System	
System Warranty Period	2 Years
Power Supply Requirement	24VDC, 40mA
Relays	SPDT, 30VDC, 2A (resistive)
Operating Temperature	-4° to 104° F (-20° to 40° C)
Operating Pressure	0.9 to 1.1 atm
Humidity Range	15 to 90% RH, non-condensing
Signaling – Analog	4-20mA
Signaling – Modbus RTU	9600 Baud, 8bit, Even Parity
Signaling – BACnet MSTP	9600, 19200, 38400, 57600, 76800, 115200 bps, 8N1 (8 Bits, No Parity, 1 Stop Bit)



2.2 Transmitter Order Code Structure



2.3 Sensor Module Order Codes

Sensor Module Part Number	Refrigerant Code	Safety Group	Range
AMC-SM-R123-P	R123	B1	0-2000ppm
AMC-SM-R1234ZE-P	R1234ZE	A2L	0-2000ppm
AMC-SM-R134A-P	R134A	A1	0-2000ppm
AMC-SM-R22-P	R22	A1	0-2000ppm
AMC-SM-R32-F	R32	A2L	0-100% LFL
AMC-SM-R32-P	R32	A2L	0-2000ppm
AMC-SM-R410A-P	R410A	A1	0-2000ppm
AMC-SM-R454B-F	R454B	A2L	0-100% LFL
AMC-SM-R454B-P	R454B	A2L	0-2000ppm
AMC-SM-R513A-P	R513A	A1	0-2000ppm

2.4 Product Description

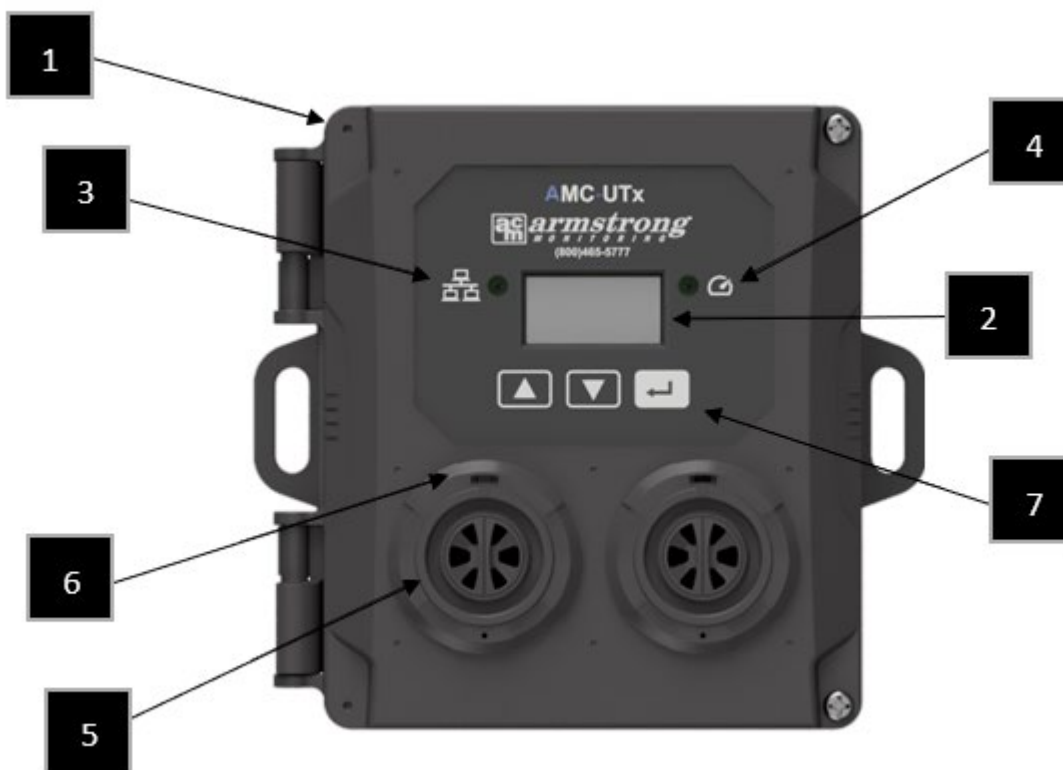


The AMC-UTx-REF Refrigerant Transmitter is designed to provide continuous, reliable monitoring of ambient air for target gas(es) via onboard sensor modules.

The transmitter provides a digital representation of the gas concentration detected; this information is both displayed locally (via OLED display) and sent to the respective Monitor upstream using either Analog (4-20mA) or Digital signals (Modbus RTU or BACnet MSTP). Plug-and-play modular architecture accommodates; hot-commissioning and field replaceable Sensor Modules (eligible for the EZ-CAL exchange program).

In addition, each transmitter features alarm/system status indicators, audible feedback, an on-board relay and colour-coded connection terminal blocks, as listed and described herein.

2.5 External View



1	Enclosure Lid	Enclosure and Lid Assembly, PC-ABS blend, 5.45" L x 6.14" W (140mm x 156mm) Wall Mount with two mount points. Option for Pole Mount.
2	Display	Displays Gas Concentration & Status Information.
3	Network Status LED	Indicates Status of Network Interface and will show whether or not the UTx has established / maintained Network Communication.
4	Alarm Status LED	The Sensor Status LED will show the same error code that is being communicated by the Sensor Module(s) or display the highest priority error (if multiple error codes are being communicated to it by the Sensor Module(s)).
5	Sensor Module	This inlet allows target gas to flow into the sensor. The inlet is also used for gas calibration.
6	Sensor Module LED	Sensor Module LEDs will show the status of the sensor element within the Sensor Module, or the status of the Sensor Module itself.
7	Menu Buttons	Momentary Pushbuttons for user interface.

2.6 Internal View



1	Bus Power Connectors	The two 12 pin connectors on the BusPower Module provide all interfaces to the UTx-M-xx-400.
2	EOL LED	This LED will be illuminated GREEN if the UTx is configured as EOL.
3	Sensor Module Connections	Connectors on the Sensor Module(s) are used to connect between Sensor Modules and between Sensor Module 1 and the Transmitter.

2.7 Accessories

Accessory Description	Order Code	Notes
Weathershield for AMC Transmitters	AMC-WS00-SL	Refer to Weathershield section for mounting instructions.
Vandal Guard Universal Fit	AMC-VG-XL	Refer to Vandal Guard section for mounting instructions.
Pole Mounting Brackets	Included with Each Transmitter	Refer to Pole Mounting Brackets section for mounting instructions.
Calibration Kit	AMC-C1-FM2	Refer to UTx Calibration Kit section for details.
Calibration Adapter	AMC-FM2	Refer to UTx Calibration Kit section for details.

2.7.1 UTx Calibration Kit

The UTx Calibration Kit, as shown below, consists of the AMC-FM2 Calibration Adaptor that secures the calibration gas hose to the front of the UTx Sensor Module along with a hose to connect to the calibration gas cylinder regulator.





3 Installation

3.1 Overview

NOTE: All Armstrong Monitoring systems must be installed and maintained according to instructions to assure proper operation. Only qualified personnel should install and maintain the equipment. For exchange, re-calibration or extended warranty programs information please call 1-800-465-5777 or through contacts at www.armstrongmonitoring.com

The installation of the Transmitter is very important as the operational quality is a direct result of the quality of the installation. The following sections provide guidelines for installation, location and mounting, wiring, and cable selection.

3.2 Transmitter Mounting

Mount the Transmitter on a solid, non-vibrating surface or structure. Mount in an area where the ambient concentration of gas is not directly affected by the presence of a clean air supply, ventilation systems, or blockage by surrounding articles. Locate away from sources of interference gases. If the main objective is the fastest possible leak detection, mount the sensor near the potential leak sources. Please refer to local codes for installation information. The installer is required to provide any mounting hardware that may be required.

In order to mount the UTx:

1. Remove cover.
2. Mount housing using defined mounting holes. See the **Enclosure Mounting** figure and **Enclosure Pole Mounting** figure.
3. Drill holes for conduit and then install conduit. See WARNING below.
4. Re-attach cover and bracket.

WARNING:

The transmitter should not be placed near cleaning products/solvents, particularly ones that contain alcohol. This can permanently damage sensor elements or cause negative output values.

Conduit should enter the housing from the bottom to ensure best protection against ingress of condensation.

Conduit entry from the top or back of the housing is Not Recommended. Any water damage related to conduit entry from the top or back will not be covered under warranty.

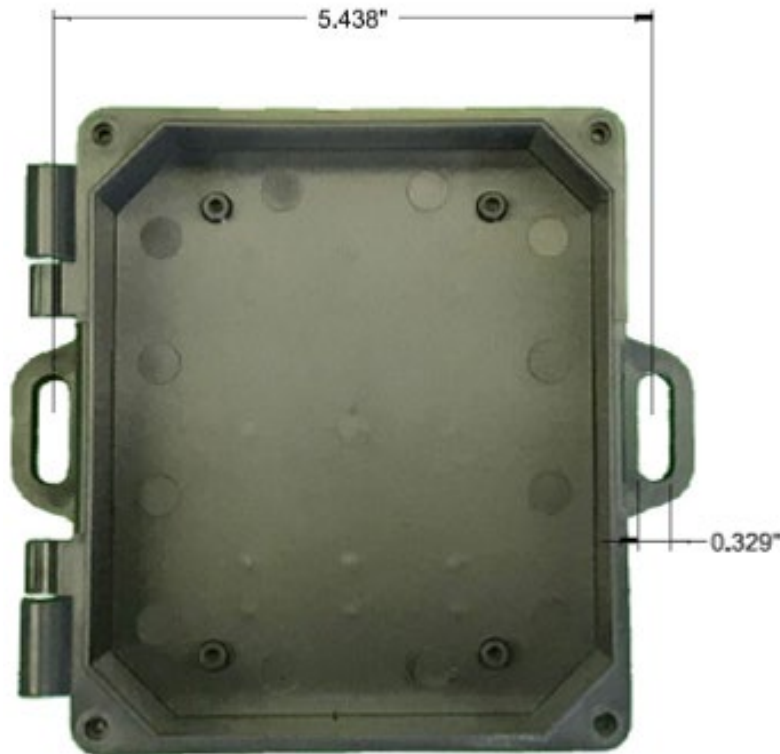
Qualified personnel should perform the installation according to all applicable electrical codes, regulations and safety standards. Ensure correct cabling practices are implemented.

Mount all equipment away from any source of electro-magnetic interference (EMI) or radio frequency interference (RFI) such as power transformers, electric motors, etc.

Equipment must be positioned such that the change of water damage is minimized; Example away from fire suppression sprinkler heads, away from wet or damp locations where there would be risk of water damage.

Ensure a balanced layout of sensors to cover the intended area. Refer to the **Accessory Mounting** section. If the transmitter is to be mounted on a pole, in a location where water spraying or splashing could be an issue, or in locations where a vandal guard is required.

NOTE: Mount enclosure as shown in the below **Enclosure Mounting** figure. This will ensure correct orientation.



3.3 Accessory Mounting

3.3.1 Weathershield

NOTE: The Weathershield assembly is compatible with both wall and pole mounting configurations. To install the Weathershield follow these steps:

1. Place the Bracket Assembly behind the Transmitter.



2. Mount the Bracket Assembly, and Transmitter to the wall or pole. (Mounting Screws NOT Included).





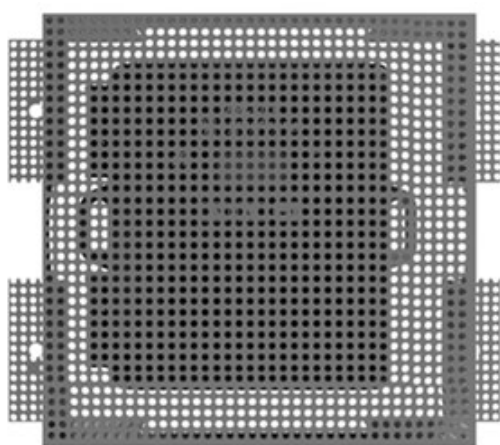
3. Place the Weathershield over the bracket. The side screws fit into the slots. Tighten the screws to hold the Weathershield in place.



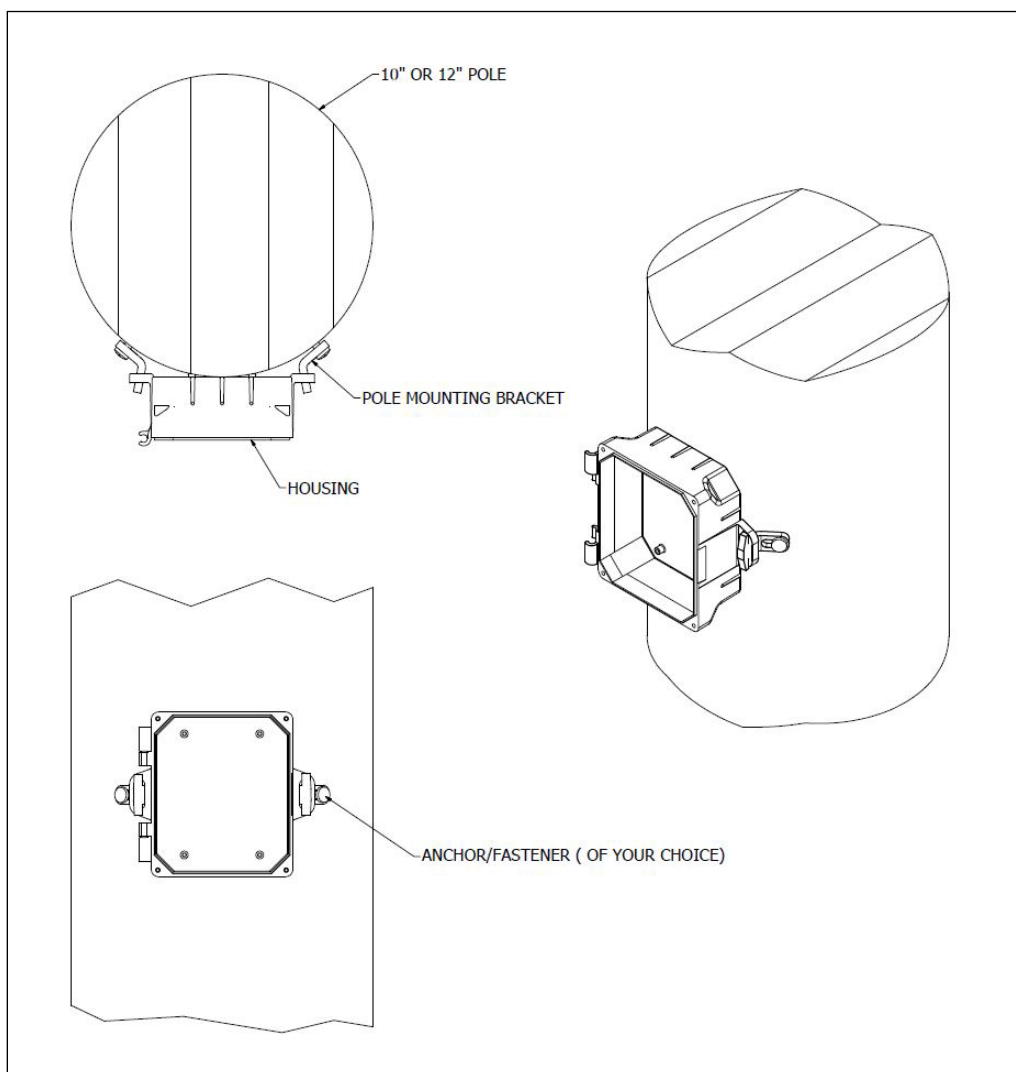
3.3.2 Vandal Guard

NOTE: The Vandal Guard assembly is only compatible with wall mounting configurations. To install the Vandal Guard, follow these steps.

1. Mount the Transmitter to the wall. (Mounting Screws not included).
2. Connect all wiring to the Transmitter.
3. Mount the Vandal Guard to the wall. (Mounting Screws NOT Included). **NOTE:** Mounting hole is 0.25 inch (6.3mm) diameter and are on an 8.0" W x 4.38" H (200mm x 110mm) pattern.



3.3.3 Pole Mounting Brackets





3.4 Wiring

1. The Transmitter employs a four-wire plus shield system which has two main wiring systems: the monitor communication (two wires) and power supply wiring (two wires).
2. When using the RS-485 interface a two conductor, 20-24 AWG shielded cable is recommended to connect the RS-485 signals from the Transmitter to the monitor. The cable characteristics required are an importance of 120 ohms and a low capacitance 13pf/ft conductor to conductor and 23pf/ft conductor to shield.
3. For best signal transmission and maximum noise rejection, it is recommended to connect the cable shields to chassis ground at the monitor. The shield is wired to the T-connector at each transmitter, to maintain end-to-end continuity.
4. A two conductor 12-18 AWG cable is recommended to connect the power from the Transmitter to the DC power source. The selected cable must meet application and/or local regulatory requirements.
5. Wire gauge will affect maximum distance between transmitters and power supply. Thicker wire is required for greater distance.
6. Route cabling away from AC power cabling and any source of electro-magnetic interference (EMI) or radio frequency interference (RFI) such as power transformers, electric motors, etc.
7. EMT (Electrical Metal Tube) conduit also adds an added degree of electrical shielding against EMI (Electro-Magnetic Interference) from devices such as RF (i.e. radio) sources.
8. Cabling should enter the sensors and monitors from the bottom to ensure best protection against water damage.
9. Ensure that there are no short or open circuits in the sensor cabling.
10. Verify that the communication cabling is voltage free prior to connecting the cabling to either the AMC-UTx Digital Transmitter or the monitor.
11. All Shield wires must be covered with insulating material to prevent them from shorting with other wires.

WARNING

Installing monitor communication without shield will produce unreliable system wide failure. Armstrong Monitoring Corporation will not support this type of installation.

**WARNING**

Care must be taken when connecting services to Power and Communication Connector. Mixing power and communication connections can cause permanent damage. Consistent polarity of RS-485 wire is required throughout network for proper system operation.

3.4.1 Power

The UTx is 24VDC powered and has a minimum operating voltage of 12 Volts. The table below indicates the maximum number of usable units for various wire gauges and distances between units to ensure properly operating voltage. Using lower number of units for the gauge and distance will allow the unit to operate correctly.

Please consult with Armstrong Monitoring for maximum number of usable units for other gauges or greater distances.

Average Distance Between Units	75ft (22m)		150ft (45m)		200ft (61m)	
	16AWG	18AWG	16AWG	18AWG	16AWG	18AWG
Number of Units	27	21	19	15	16	13
Total Current	1.49A	1.16A	1.05A	0.83A	0.88A	0.72A

Caution:

Care must be taken when installing to ensure that all units are connected with the same power supply polarity across the network. Transmitter + should be connected to +24VDC power terminal at monitor and Transmitter - should be connected to SGND power terminal at monitor.

3.4.2 Communication - Analog

The analog interface of the Refrigerant Gas sensor/transmitter offers a linearized 4-20mA analog current signal; proportional to the concentration of gas measured. This signal is interpreted by the interconnected monitor.

Alternatively, the sensor/transmitter can also be used independently, with its 4-20mA output connected to a suitable measuring device.

3.4.3 Communication - Digital

The total communication cable length for a network segment should not exceed 3280ft (1000m) without the use of repeaters.

For Modbus RTU Networks there is a 32-unit load (UL) transmitter limit per RS-485 bus segment determined by ANSI/TIA/EIA-485-A-1998 standard. The Monitor typically uses one RS-485-unit load, so only 31 additional RS-485-unit loads can be driven on each MODBUS Network Segment.

Note that each device and the repeaters use a UL on each input.

Caution:

Care must be taken when installing to ensure that all Digital Transmitters are connected with the same Modbus polarity across the network. Typically, the drop out voltage will become an issue on long lengths before the maximum of 31 RS-485 devices are connected.

3.4.3.1 End of Line (EOL) Setting

EOL termination is required for the last unit of the bus to ensure robust communication. Without this termination reflections of far end signal can add or subtract to the resulting signal waveform and can cause data corruption.

NOTE: If EOL is set to ON the EOL LED will be lit green when the UTx is powered up. The EOL LED is located on the rear of the UTx Lid.

To change EOL settings on the UTx, you must:

- Remove Power
- Open Lid
- Disconnect BusPower Module using a Phillips Screwdriver as shown below.

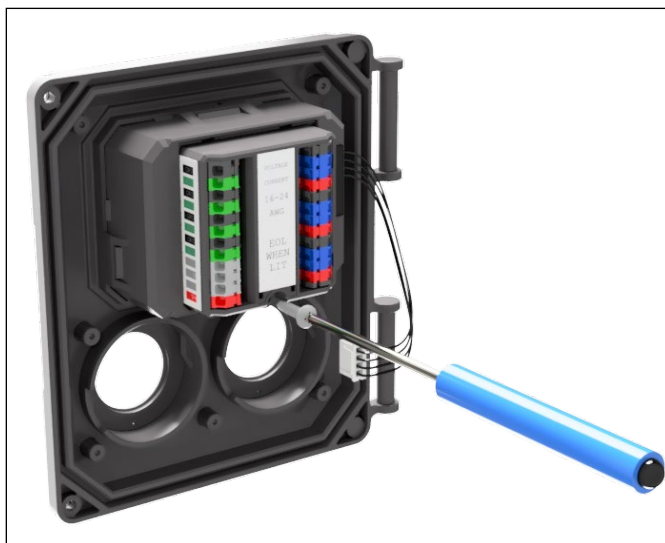


Figure 3-1: Disconnecting BusPower Module

Disconnect BusPower Module from the Lid Assembly as shown below:



Figure 3-2: Removing BusPower Module

Change EOL Setting Switch:



Figure 3-3: EOL Switch

Attach the BusPower Module to the UTx Lid Assembly. Place the top forks in first, then clip the module in place. This can be performed with power on.



Figure 3-4: Replacing BusPower Module



4 Operation

4.1 Overview

This section describes how the functionalities of the transmitter are operated and performed. Please consult the Operation and Initial Configuration sections below before attempting to operate the transmitter.

4.2 Status LEDs

Refer to the **Product Description** section for LED locations and descriptions. During operation the LEDs will display the following configurations:

4.2.1 Start Up

Table 4-1: Status LEDs (Start Up)

LED States	Network LED	Alarm Status LED	Sensor Module LED	Display Screen Message
Initialization and Discovery of Sensor Modules (after UTx is powered up).	OFF	Solid WHITE	Solid WHITE	AMC Splash Screen
Sensor Warm-up	Flashing GREEN (1 sec cycle)	Solid WHITE	Solid WHITE	Main Info Screen (or blank) No Sensor Gas Readings Shown

4.2.2 Network Status

Table 4-2: Status LEDs (Network Status)

LED States	Network LED	Alarm Status LED	Sensor Module LED	Display Screen Message
No Network Connection	Flashing GREEN (1 sec cycle)			
Network Connection Established	Solid GREEN			
Network Fault (Network Activity)	Solid RED			



Timeout, CRC or Parity Error).

4.2.3 Faults

Table 4-3: Status LEDs (Faults)

LED States	Network LED	Alarm Status LED	Sensor Module LED	Display Screen Message
Fault 1				
At least one sensor has gone under range (more negative than zero blanking setting).	Flashing GREEN (1 sec cycle)	Solid RED	Solid RED	Gas Bar Indicates “FAULT” For Affected Sensors
Fault 2				
Corrupted Sensor Module Signal Sensor Module Missing Incorrect Sensor Module Found Sensor Module NOT Communicating	Flashing GREEN (1 sec cycle)	Solid RED	Solid WHITE or OFF	Gas Bar Indicates “FAIL” For Affected Sensors

4.2.4 Alarms

Table 4-4: Status LEDs (Alarms)

LED States	Network LED	Alarm Status LED	Sensor Module LED	Display Screen Message
Threshold 1 Reached	Flashing GREEN (1 sec cycle)	Solid YELLOW	Solid YELLOW	Gas Bar Indicates “WARN” For Affected Sensors
Threshold 2 Reached	Flashing GREEN (1 sec cycle)	Solid RED	Solid RED	Gas Bar Indicates “ALARM” For Affected Sensors
Threshold 3 Reached	Flashing GREEN (1 sec cycle)	Solid RED	Solid RED	Gas Bar Indicates “ALARM”



				For Affected Sensors
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4.2.5 Calibration

Table 4-5: Status LEDs (Calibration)

LED States	Network LED	Alarm Status LED	Sensor Module LED	Display Screen Message
Cal Needed	Flashing GREEN (1 sec cycle)		Flashing CYAN and YELLOW (.5 sec cycle)	Not Indicated on Display Screen
In Calibration Mode / Calibration Activity Waiting to Start	Flashing GREEN (1 sec cycle)		Solid CYAN	Calibration Routine Prompts
Calibration Looking for Stable	Flashing GREEN (1 sec cycle)		Flashing CYAN (.5 sec cycle)	Calibration Routine Prompts
Calibration Pass	Flashing GREEN (1 sec cycle)		Flashing CYAN and GREEN (.5 sec cycle)	Calibration Routine Prompts
Calibration Fail	Flashing GREEN (1 sec cycle)		Flashing CYAN and RED (.5 sec cycle)	Calibration Routine Prompts

4.2.6 Miscellaneous

Table 4-6: Status LEDs (Miscellaneous)

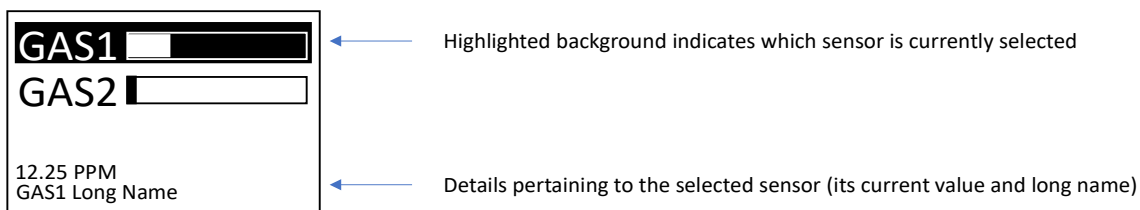
LED States	Network LED	Alarm Status LED	Sensor Module LED	Display Screen Message
Real-Time Clock (RTC) Disabled or Uninitialized	Flashing GREEN (1 sec cycle)	Solid MAGENTA		Not Indicated on Display Screen
Low RTC Battery	Flashing GREEN (1 sec cycle)	Flashing MAGENTA (1 sec cycle)		Not Indicated on Display Screen

4.3 Menu Overview

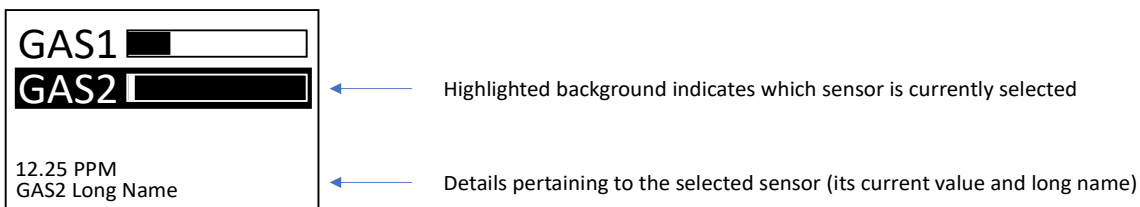
Note that a **Menu Flow Chart** is available further in this manual. The menu images and menu flow diagrams in this manual represent gas types with labels such as “GAS1”, “GAS2”, etc. These are mapped to specific gases based on the customer order.

4.3.1 Normal Operation

Upon startup, a brief splash screen is shown on the display which includes the Armstrong Monitoring Corp’s logo and the current version of the UTx firmware. After a couple of seconds, the display will update to show the main info screen (see below). NOTE: The bar graphs indicating gas concentration are not visible initially while the sensor modules are warming up. The warm-up period will be shown in the details section for the selected sensor until the warm-up period expires. NOTE: Factory configurations define a warm-up default value that prevents false alarms while sensors are warming up. This value may be viewed during warm-up through the detailed sensor screen section.



As shown above, two sensors are currently attached to the transmitter. Only one sensor can be selected at a time for the purpose of inspecting its details. Use the **UP** and **DOWN** buttons to navigate between each sensor. The following diagram illustrates the main info screen after pressing the **DOWN** button from the previous display. Notice how the details are updated to reflect the newly selected sensor.



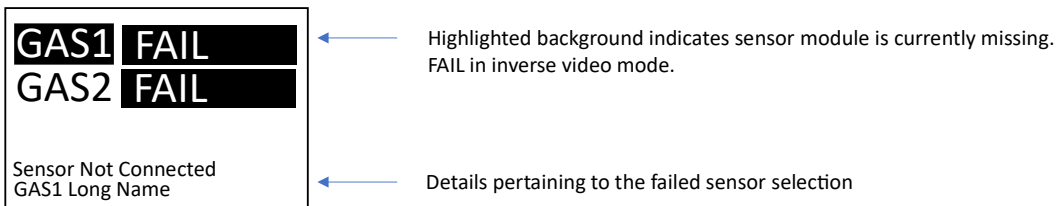
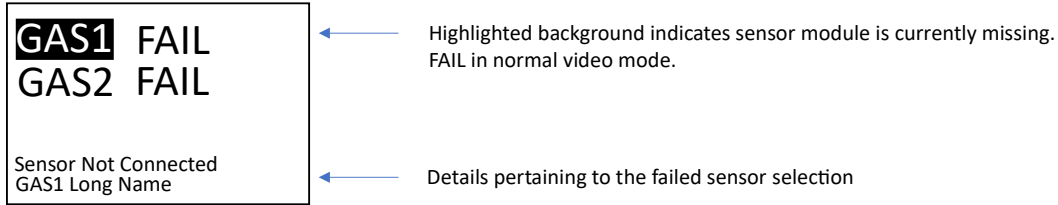
After a programmed timeout period without any button presses, the display will go blank (screen saver mode). To re-enable the display, simply press the **ENTER** button.

4.3.2 Failed Sensor

In the event of a failed sensor, the bar graph is replaced with a large FAIL indication and the detailed description is updated accordingly. If the sensor fails while the display is OFF, the display will



immediately turn ON and the failed sensor will be selected by default. In addition, the FAIL indication will toggle between normal and inverse 'white space' mode at a rate of once per second as shown below.

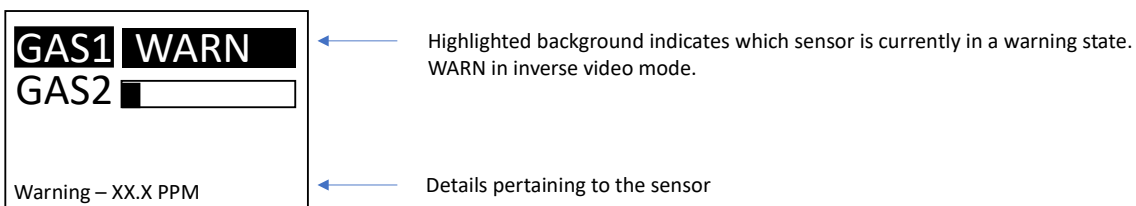
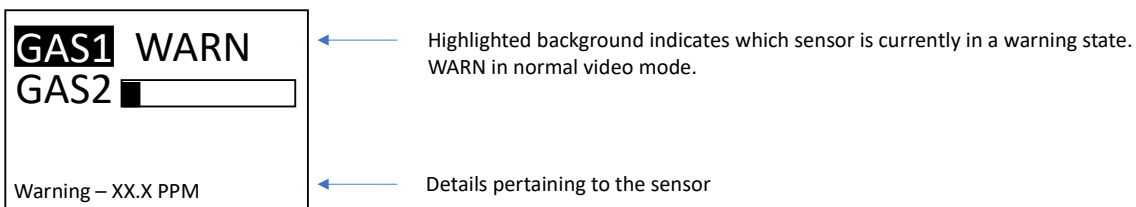


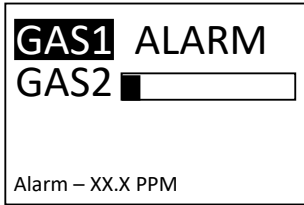
If the failure condition is resolved, the main display for the failed sensor will resume normal operation by indicating the sensor reading via bar graph.

NOTE: In the case of a failed (missing) sensor, the UTx-REF-A will output 0mA.

4.3.3 Warning/Alarm Indication

When a warning or an alarm occurs, the bar graph is replaced with a large WARN indication for warnings or a large ALARM for alarms. If the sensor enters a warning or alarm state while the display is OFF, the display will immediately turn ON and the sensor responsible for the warning/alarm will be selected by default. Like the FAIL indication, the WARN/ALARM indication will toggle between normal and inverse 'white space' mode at a rate of once per second as shown below.





Highlighted background indicates which sensor is currently in alarm. ALARM in normal video mode.

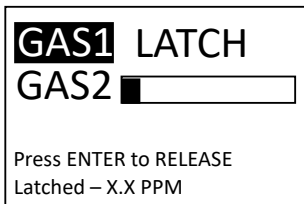
Details pertaining to the selected sensor which is currently in alarm. The current sensor reading is shown.



Highlighted background indicates which sensor is currently in alarm. ALARM in inverse video mode.

Details pertaining to the selected sensor which is currently in alarm. The current sensor reading is shown.

For units configured at factory to use latched alarms, when the alarm condition is cleared the display will indicate that the relays are latched until cleared by the user by pressing the **ENTER** button to release the latching condition.



Highlighted background indicates which sensor is currently selected with latched relays. LATCH in normal video mode.

Details pertaining to the selected sensor which currently has its relays in Latched mode. The current sensor reading is shown with an instruction to press the **ENTER** button to release the relays from their active state.

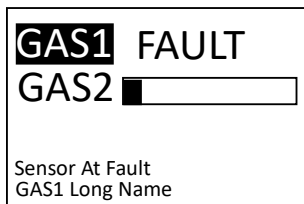


Highlighted background indicates which sensor is currently selected with latched relays. LATCH in inverse video mode.

Details pertaining to the selected sensor which currently has its relays in Latched mode. The current sensor reading is shown with an instruction to press the **ENTER** button to release the relays from their active state.

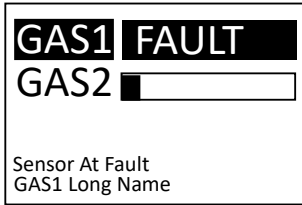
4.3.4 Fault Indication

The following two menu images show a fault condition in normal and inverse video modes.



Highlighted background indicates which sensor is currently at fault. FAULT in normal video mode.

Details pertaining to the sensor at fault



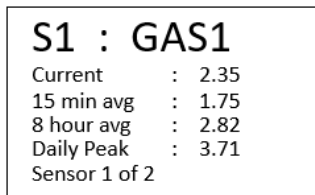
Highlighted background indicates which sensor is currently at fault. FAULT in inverse video mode.

Details pertaining to the sensor at fault

NOTE: In the case of a sensor fault condition, the UTx-REF-A will output 0mA.

4.3.5 Detailed Sensor Screen

To access the detailed information for each sensor, press and hold the **UP** button until the following screen appears.



Label indicates which sensor is currently selected

Current instantaneous value for the selected sensor

15 min average value for the selected sensor

8 hour average value for the selected sensor

Daily peak value for the selected sensor

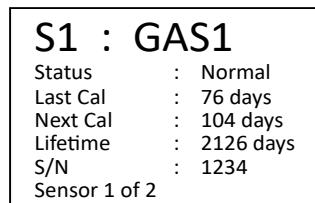
Paging info updated as different sensors are selected using **UP/DOWN** buttons

The detailed sensor screen provides several values for each sensor. Use the **UP** and **DOWN** buttons to page through all the attached sensors. This detailed screen will timeout after 300 seconds if no button is pressed thereby returning the user back to the main info screen.

Alternatively, the user can exit the detailed sensor screen on demand by pressing the **ENTER** button to return back to the main info screen.

4.3.6 Detailed Status Screen

To access the detailed status for each sensor, press and hold the **DOWN** button until the following screen appears.



Label indicates which sensor is currently selected

Current operational status for the selected sensor

Number of days since last calibration for the selected sensor

Number of days until next calibration for the selected sensor

Remaining sensor life for the selected sensor

Serial number for the selected sensor

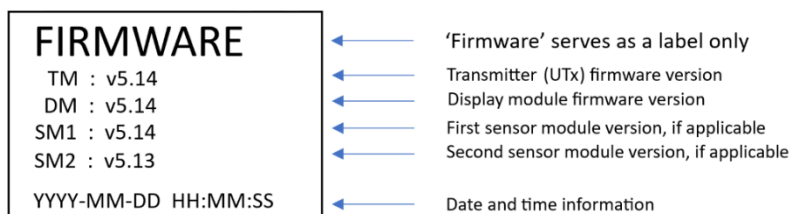
Paging info updated as different sensors are selected using **UP/DOWN** buttons

The detailed status screen provides the complete status for each sensor. Use the **UP** and **DOWN** buttons to page through all the attached sensors. This detailed screen will timeout after 300 seconds if no button is pressed thereby returning the user back to the main info screen.

Alternatively, the user can exit the detailed status screen on demand by pressing the ENTER button to return to the main info screen.

NOTE: All information dependent on the real-time clock (RTC) such as 'Last Cal' or 'Next Cal' may be incorrect if the RTC is currently disabled or uninitialized (as indicated by a solid magenta on the Alarm Status LED).

Continuing to press **DOWN** after the sensor pages show the firmware version of up to all four modules that are available on the UTx platform. This list also displays the date and time for convenience.



4.3.7 Quick Info Screen

To access the quick info screen, simultaneously press the UP and DOWN buttons from the main screen, until the following screen appears.

The quick info screen can provide the each sensors MODBUS address, the transmitters MSTP MAC address, baud rate, assembly serial number, bus voltage supplied to unit (V), RTC battery voltage (V), temperature (°C and °F), pressure (Pa), and relative humidity (%RH), or "N/A" if not available. Note that the information available depends on variant order.

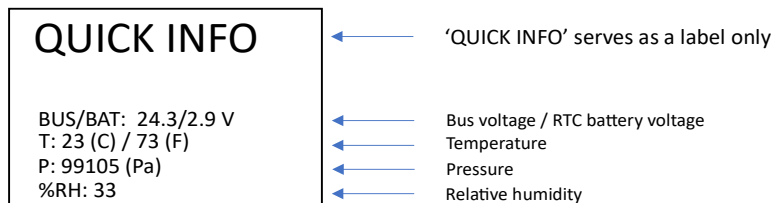


Figure 4-1: UTx-REF-A Quick Info Screen

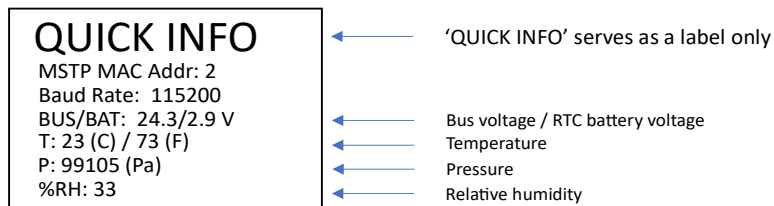


Figure 4-2: : UTx-REF-B Quick Info Screen

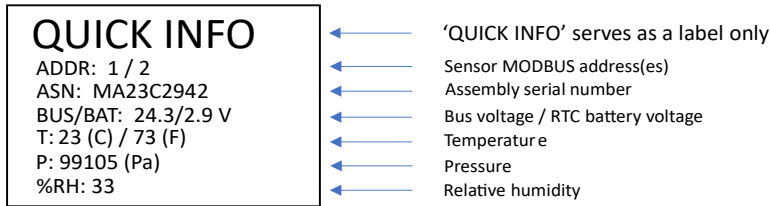
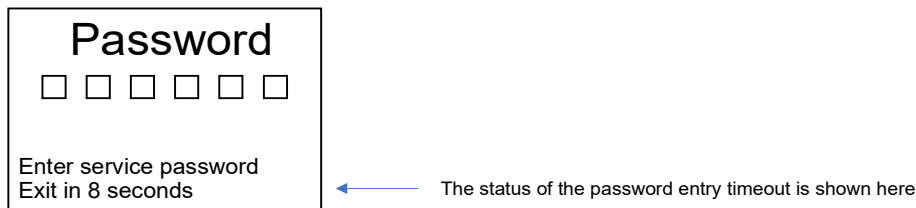


Figure 4-3: UTx-REF-M Quick Info Screen

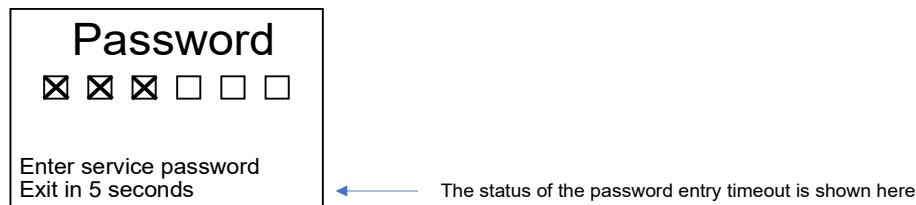
The user can exit the quick info screen by pressing the ENTER button to return to the main info screen.

4.3.8 Password Entry

To access the service menu system, the user needs to press and hold the ENTER button until the following password entry screen is displayed.



Enter the password using a combination of the **UP**, **DOWN** and **ENTER** buttons. The password is factory set to **UP – DOWN – UP – DOWN – ENTER – ENTER**. As the password is being entered, the display updates with each button press. The diagram below illustrates the state of the password entry after 3 button presses. The password entry screen will timeout after 10 seconds if no button is pressed thereby returning the user back to the main info screen.



4.3.9 Main Service Menu

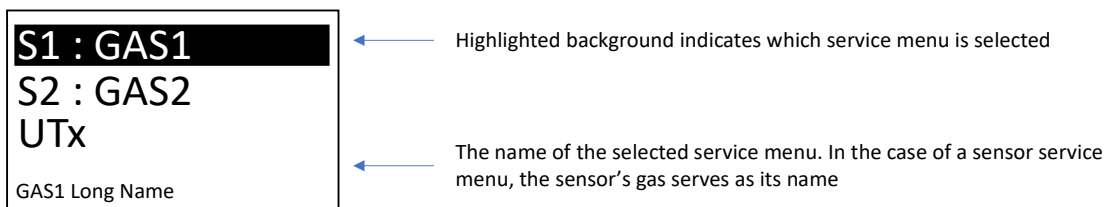
4.3.9.1 Service Menu Timeout

The service menus remain unlocked for a programmed timeout period (set to 5 minutes). Within that period, the service menus can be re-enabled by long pressing the **ENTER** button. If the timeout period is allowed to expire, the password entry screen will appear prior to accessing the service

menus. Also, if the service menu is active when a timeout occurs, the service mode is disabled, and the display will go blank (i.e. power saving mode). Lastly, the service menu timeout is reset with each button press while the service menus are active.

4.3.9.2 Service Menu Overview

Once the correct password is entered, the main service menu is displayed as shown in the following diagram.

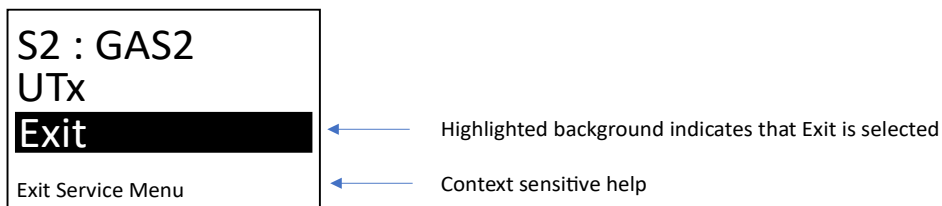


Once again, the **UP** and **DOWN** buttons can be used to navigate the list of service menus. The main service menu provides the menu items listed in the table below:

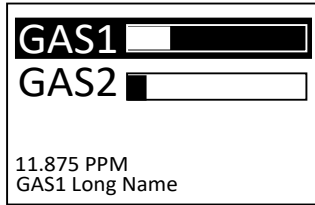
Table 4-7: Service Menu Options

Menu Item	Description
<Sensor #> : <Gas Label>	Each sensor is included in the service menu indicated by its number and gas label (Ex: S2 : CO).
UTx	Access the settings for the transmitter module through the 'UTx' menu item.
Exit	Select this menu item to exit the service menu.

To exit the Service Menu, press **DOWN** repeatedly until the end is reached and Exit is highlighted as shown below.



With 'Exit' highlighted (as above), press **ENTER** to exit the service mode and return back to the main info screen as shown below.

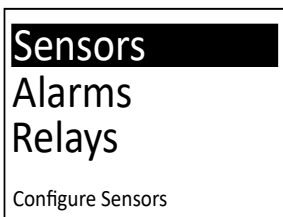


Upon exiting the service menus, the first sensor is selected by default

Details for the current sensor are updated in real-time as well as the progress bar which represents the current value relative to its max value

4.3.10 Transmitter Service Menu

If the 'UTx' menu item is activated from the main service menu via the **ENTER** button, then UTx service menu will appear on the display as shown in the following diagram.



Context sensitive help (for the currently highlighted menu item)

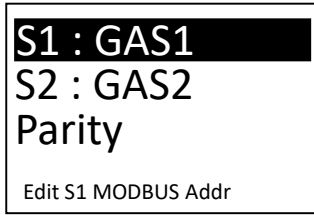
The **UP** and **DOWN** buttons can be used to navigate the list of service menus for the UTx. The following table outlines all the menu items from the UTx menu:

Table 4-8: Transmitter Service Menu Options

Menu Item	Description
Modbus	Select this menu item to activate the MODBUS sub-menu.
Sensors	Select this menu item to activate the Sensors sub-menu.
Alarms	Select this menu item to activate the Alarms sub-menu.
Relays	Select this menu item to activate the Relays sub-menu.
Test	Select this menu item to toggle the test enable flag.
Date	Select this menu item to adjust the Real-Time Clock (RTC) year, month, and day.
Time	Select this menu item to adjust the Real-Time Clock (RTC) hour and minute.
Reset	Select this menu item to trigger a software reset of the UTx.
Exit	Select this menu item to return to the main service menu. The menu item for the UTx will be selected when the main service menu appears.

4.3.10.1 Modbus Settings

From the UTx service menu, selecting 'MODBUS' will update the display to show the following sub-menu:



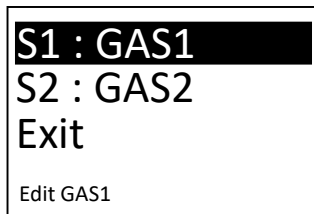
← Context sensitive help (for the currently highlighted menu item)

The **UP** and **DOWN** buttons can be used to navigate the list of menus for the MODBUS sub-menu. The following table outlines all the menu items from the MODBUS sub-menu:

Menu Item	Description
S1 : <Gas Label>	Select this menu item to edit the MODBUS address assigned to the Sensor S1.
S2 : <Gas Label>	Select this menu item to edit the MODBUS address assigned to the Sensor S2.
Parity	Select this menu item to edit the RS485 parity setting.
Exit	Select this menu item to return to the UTx service menu. The MODBUS menu item will be selected when the UTx service menu appears.

4.3.10.2 Transmitter Sensors Settings

From the UTx service menu, selecting ‘Sensors’ will update the display to show the following sub-menu.



← Context sensitive help (for the currently highlighted menu item)

The **UP** and **DOWN** buttons can be used to navigate the list of configured sensors for the sensors sub-menu. The table below outlines all the menu items from the sensors sub-menu:

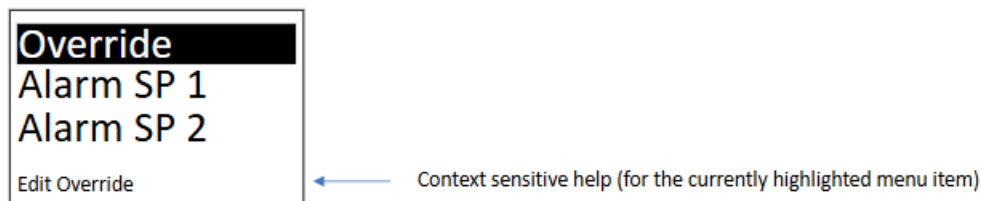
Table 4-9: Sensor Module Configuration Menu

Menu Item	Description
S1 : GAS1	Select this menu item to activate the configuration sub-menu for sensor 1.
S2 : GAS2	Select this menu item to activate the configuration sub-menu for sensor 2.

Exit	Select this menu item to return to the UTx service menu.
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4.3.10.3 Sensor Alarm Configuration Sub-Menu

Selecting a sensor from the ‘Sensors’ sub-menu (ex: S1 : GAS1) will update the display to show the following sub-menu.



The **UP** and **DOWN** buttons can be used to navigate the list of menus for the ‘Sensors’ sub-menu. The below table outlines all the menu items from the sensor sub-menu:

Table 4-10: Sensor Alarm Configuration

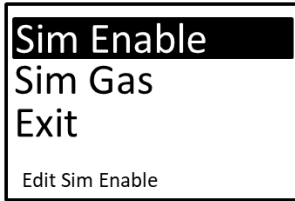
Menu Item	Description
Override	Override sub-menu item for the selected sensor.
Alarm SP 1-3	Select this menu item to edit the alarm setpoints for the selected alarm (1-3).
Alarm Hyst	Select this menu item to edit the alarm hysteresis. This hysteresis value is applied to all alarm setpoints.
Zero Buff	Select this menu item to edit the zero-buffer level for the display of small gas concentrations.
Cal Freq	Select this menu item to edit the time period between re-calibrations.
Exit	Select this menu item to return to the Sensors sub-menu.

4.3.10.3.1 Override

The override menu item allows the current gas reading to be overridden by a simulated gas level. This may be useful during system configuration to verify operation of the Digital Monitor or alarm relays.

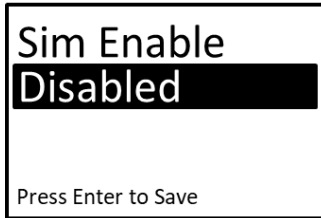
NOTE: An override menu item may be found in the Sensor Service menus. It’s usage is identical. Should the user activate the override through both menus at the same time, the override value entered through this Sensor Alarm Configuration sub-menu will take precedence.

If ‘Override’ is activated from the Sensor Alarm Configuration sub-menu, then the display will be updated to show the following sub-menu:



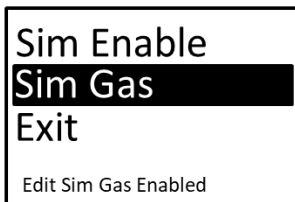
- ← Activate this menu item to edit the simulated gas enable flag for the selected sensor
- ← Activate this menu item to edit the simulated gas concentration for the selected sensor
- ← Activate this menu item to exit the 'Override' sub-menu
- ← Context sensitive help (for the currently highlighted menu item)

If 'Sim Enable' is activated from the 'Override' sub-menu, then the display will be updated to show the following editing screen.



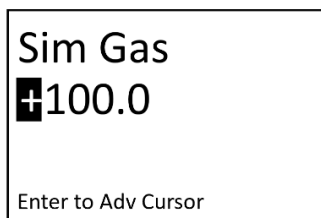
- ← Defaults to the current value of the Sim Enable flag. Use UP/DOWN arrow buttons to toggle between Disabled and Enabled. Press ENTER button to confirm selection.
- ← Context sensitive help

When the **ENTER** button is pressed, the confirmation screen (described previously) is displayed. If 'Yes' is selected, the edit value is persisted as the new value for the Sim Enable Flag. Otherwise, the edit value is rejected. In either case, the menu returns to the Override sub-menu menu with 'Sim Enable' menu is selected.



- ← Activate this menu item to edit the simulated gas enable flag for the selected sensor
- ← Activate this menu item to edit the simulated gas concentration for the selected sensor
- ← Activate this menu item to exit the 'Override' sub-menu
- ← Context sensitive help (for the currently highlighted menu item)

If 'Sim Gas' is activated from the 'Override' sub-menu, then the display will be updated to show the following editing screen.



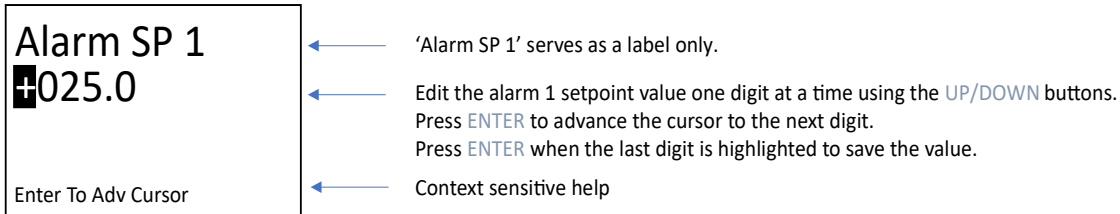
- ← 'Sim Gas' serves as a label only, therefore, this item can not be selected.
- ← Edit the simulated gas value one digit at a time using the UP/DOWN buttons. Press ENTER to advance the cursor to the next digit. Press ENTER when the last digit is highlighted to save the value.
- ← Context sensitive help

When the **ENTER** button is pressed with the last digit highlighted, the confirmation screen (described previously) is displayed. If 'Yes' is selected, the edit value is persisted as the new value for the Sim Gas concentration value. Otherwise, the edit value is rejected. In either case, the menu returns to the Override sub-menu menu with the 'Sim Gas' menu item selected.

Selected 'Exit' from the 'Override' sub-menu returns the user to the Sensor Alarm Configuration sub-menu with the 'Override' menu item selected.

4.3.10.3.2 Setpoint

If 'Alarm SP 1' is activated from the sensor alarm configuration sub-menu, then the display will be updated to show the following editing screen.

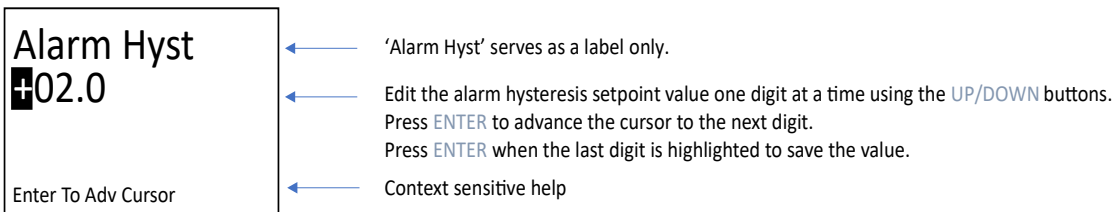


When the **ENTER** button is pressed, the screen will update to display the confirmation dialog (described previously).

The same process is repeated for Alarm SP 2 and Alarm SP 3. In all cases, once the confirmation dialog is reached, regardless of which option it selected, the user is returned back to the Sensors sub-menu.

4.3.10.3.3 Alarm Hysteresis

If 'Alarm Hyst' is activated from the sensor sub-menu, then the display will be updated to show the following editing screen.



When the **ENTER** button is pressed, the screen will update to display the confirmation dialog (described previously). If 'Yes' is selected, the edit value is persisted as the new value for the Alarm Hysteresis for the selected sensor. Otherwise, the edit value is rejected. In either case, the menu returns to the Sensor sub-menu menu with the 'Alarm Hyst' menu item selected.

4.3.10.3.4 Zero Buffer

If 'Zero Buff' is activated from the sensor sub-menu, then the display will be updated to show the following editing screen.

Zero Buff

0000

Enter To Adv Cursor

← 'Zero Buff' serves as a label only.

← Edit the alarm hysteresis setpoint value one digit at a time using the UP/DOWN buttons. Press ENTER to advance the cursor to the next digit. Press ENTER when the last digit is highlighted to save the value.

← Context sensitive help

When the **ENTER** button is pressed, the screen will update to display the confirmation dialog (described previously). If Yes is selected, the edit value is persisted as the new value for the Zero Buffer for the selected sensor. Otherwise, the edit value is rejected. In either case, the menu returns to the Sensor sub-menu menu with the 'Zero Buff' menu item selected.

4.3.10.3.5 Calibration Frequency

If 'Cal Freq' is activated from the sensor sub-menu, then the display will be updated to show the following editing screen.

Cal Freq

6 Months

Press Enter To Save

← 'Cal Freq' serves as a label only.

← The calibration frequency can be selected from a list of options using the UP/DOWN buttons to cycle between each option. Press ENTER to save the selected options.

← Context sensitive help

The available options for 'Cal Freq' are listed in the table below.

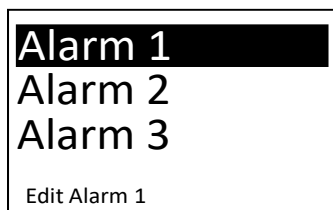
Table 4-11: Calibration Frequency Configuration

Menu Item	Description
OFF	Next calibration due date is not calculated.
3 Months	Next calibration due date is calculated as 3 months from last calibration timestamp.
4 Months	Next calibration due date is calculated as 4 months from last calibration timestamp.
6 Months	Next calibration due date is calculated as 6 months from last calibration timestamp.
12 Months	Next calibration due date is calculated as 12 months from last calibration timestamp.

When the **ENTER** button is pressed, the screen will update to display the confirmation dialog (described previously).

4.3.10.4 Transmitter Alarm Settings

From the UTx service menu, selecting 'Alarms' will update the display to show the following sub-menu.



← Context sensitive help (for the currently highlighted menu item)

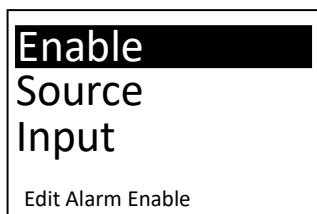
The **UP** and **DOWN** buttons can be used to navigate the list of menus for the Alarms sub-menu. The table below outlines all the menu items from the Alarms sub-menu:

Table 4-12: Transmitter Alarm Settings

Menu Item	Description
Alarm 1-18	Select this menu item to activate the configuration sub-menu for the selected alarm.
Exit	Select this menu item to return to the UTx service menu. The alarms menu item will be selected when the UTx service menu appears.

4.3.10.5 Alarm Sub-Menu

Selecting an alarm from the alarms sub-menu will update the display to show the following:



← Context sensitive help (for the currently highlighted menu item)

The below table outlines all the menu items from the alarm sub-menu:

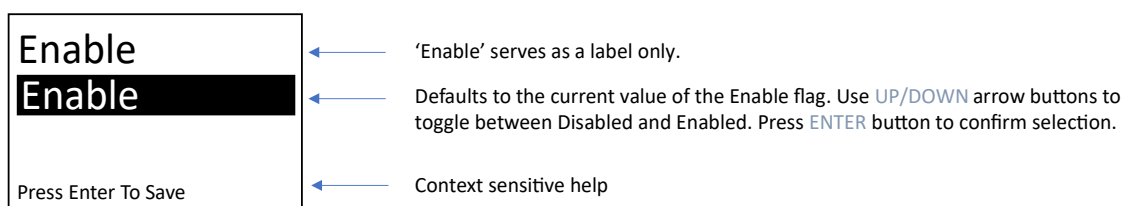
Table 4-13: Transmitter Alarm Sub-Menu Settings

Menu Item	Description
Enable	Select this menu item to edit the alarm enable state.
Source	Select this menu item to edit the alarm source (i.e. from the available sensors).
Input	Select this menu item to edit the alarm input value.
Level	Select this menu item to edit the alarm setpoint.

Type	Select this menu item to edit the alarm type (increasing or decreasing).
Output	Select this menu item to edit the alarm trigger output (i.e. activate which relays).
Act Delay	Select this menu item to edit the alarm act delay in terms of seconds.
Min Run	Select this menu item to edit the alarm minimum run time in terms of seconds.
Exit	Select this menu item to return to the alarm sub-menu.

4.3.10.5.1 Enable

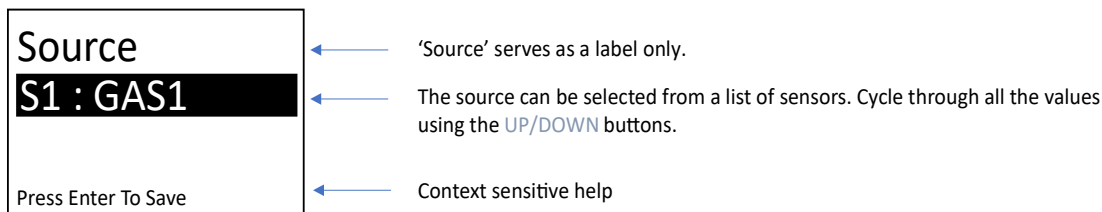
If 'Enable' is activated from the alarm sub-menu, then the display will be updated to show the following editing screen.



When the **ENTER** button is pressed, the confirmation screen (described previously) is displayed.

4.3.10.5.2 Source

If 'Source' is activated from the alarm sub-menu, then the display will be updated to show the following editing screen.

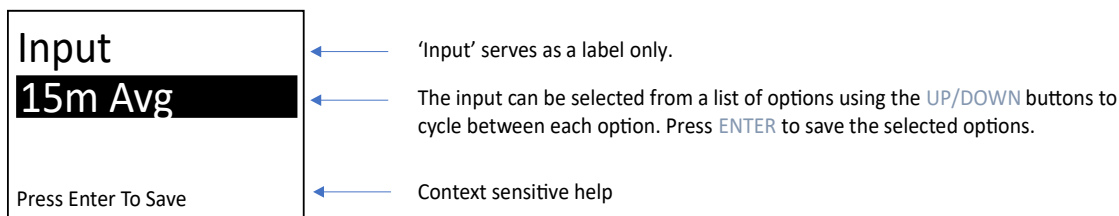


The available options for 'Source' is equal to the list of sensors currently configured for the UTx. The label for each sensor is dynamically assigned to S<n> : GAS<n> where n represents the sensor's 1 base index and GAS represents the sensor's gas name in short form.

When the **ENTER** button is pressed, the screen will update to display the confirmation dialog (described previously).

4.3.10.5.3 Input

If 'Input' is activated from the alarm sub-menu, then the display will be updated to show the following editing screen.



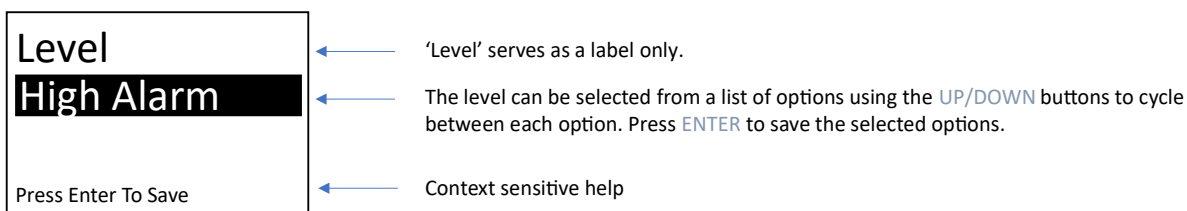
The available options for 'Input' are listed in the below table:

Table 4-14: Alarm Input Options

Menu Item	Description
Inst. Value	Instantaneous gas value, updated once per second.
15m Avg	Gas concentration averaged over the past 15 minutes.
8h Avg	Gas concentration averaged over the past 8 hours.
Daily Peak	Daily peak value.

4.3.10.5.4 Level

If 'Level' is activated from the alarm sub-menu, then the display will be updated to show the following editing screen.



The available options for 'Level' are listed in the below table:

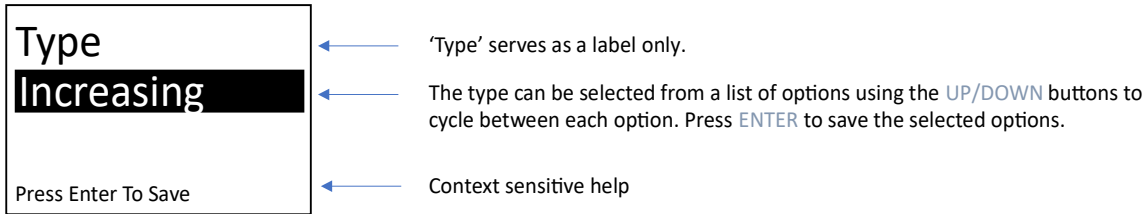
Table 4-15: Alarm Setpoint Options

Menu Item	Description
Alarm SP 1	Alarm setpoint 1 from the selected source.
Alarm SP 2	Alarm setpoint 2 from the selected source.
Alarm SP 3	Alarm setpoint 3 from the selected source.

When the **ENTER** button is pressed, the screen will update to display the confirmation dialog (described previously).

4.3.10.5.5 Type

If 'Type' is activated from the alarm sub-menu, then the display will be updated to show the following editing screen.



The available options for 'Type' are listed in the below table:

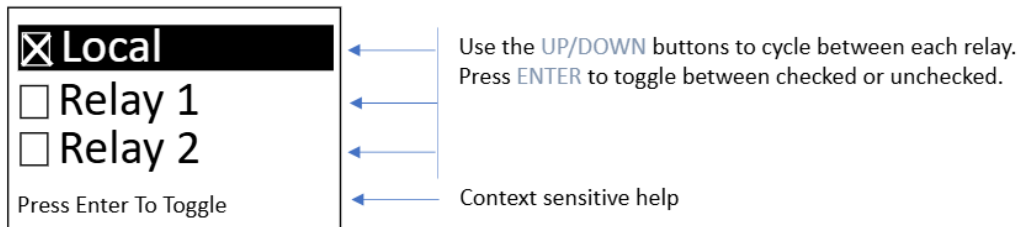
Table 4-16: Alarm Type Options

Menu Item	Description
Increasing	Alarm is triggered when alarm exceeds its threshold in an increasing direction.
Decreasing	Alarm is triggered when alarm exceeds its threshold in a decreasing direction.

When the **ENTER** button is pressed, the screen will update to display the confirmation dialog (described previously).

4.3.10.5.6 Output

If 'Output' is activated from the alarm sub-menu, then the display will be updated to show the following editing screen.

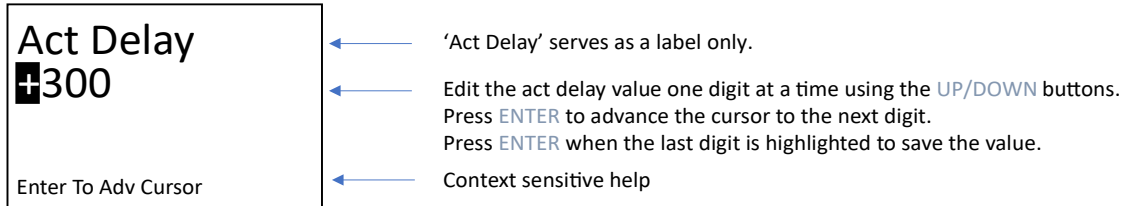


The available options for 'Output' are 'Local' and 'Relay 1' through 'Relay 5' (depending on variant). If the checkbox next to the relay is checked, then that relay will activate when the associated alarm is active. Otherwise, the relay will not be activated.

When the **ENTER** button is pressed with 'Done' selected, the screen will update to Transmitter Alarm Sub-Menu.

4.3.10.5.7 Act Delay

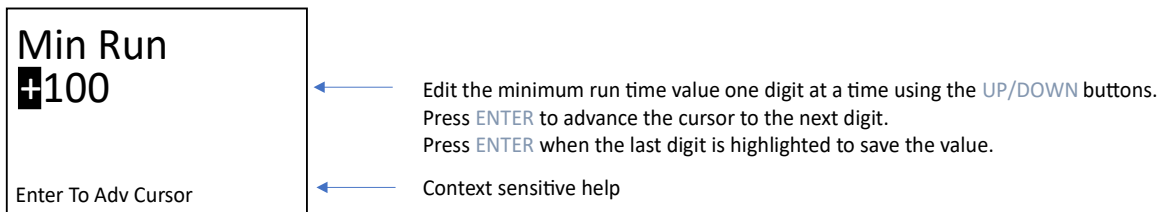
If 'Act Delay' is activated from the Alarm sub-menu, then the display will be updated to show the following editing screen.



When the **ENTER** button is pressed while the last digit is highlighted, the screen will update to display the confirmation dialog (described previously).

4.3.10.5.8 Min Run

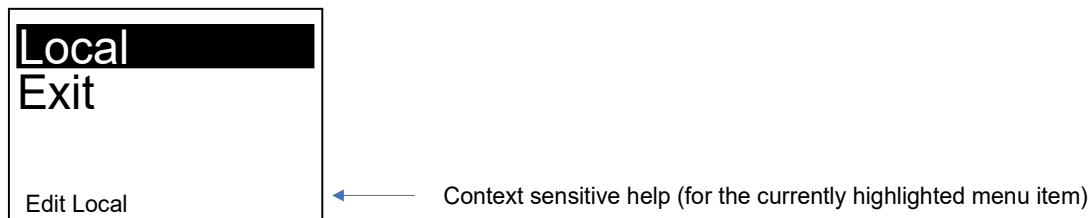
If 'Min Run' is activated from the Alarm sub-menu, then the display will be updated to show the following editing screen.



When the **ENTER** button is pressed while the last digit is highlighted, the screen will update to display the confirmation dialog (described previously).

4.3.10.6 Transmitter Relay Settings

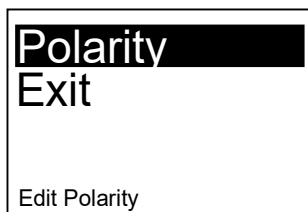
From the UTx service menu, selecting 'Relays' will update the display to show the following sub-menu.



The **UP** and **DOWN** buttons can be used to navigate the list of menus for the Relays sub-menu. The following table outlines all the menu items from the Relays sub-menu:

Menu Item	Description
Local	Select this menu item to activate the configuration sub-menu for the local relay.
Exit	Select this menu item to return to the UTx service menu. The Relays menu item will be selected when the UTx service menu appears.

Selecting a relay from the Relays sub-menu will update the display to show the following:

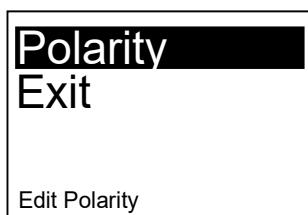


← Context sensitive help (for the currently highlighted menu item)

The following table outlines all the menu items from the relay sub-menu:

Menu Item	Description
Polarity	Select this menu item to edit the relay's polarity setting.
Exit	Select this menu item to return to the Relays sub-menu.

If 'Polarity' is activated from the relay sub-menu, then the display will be updated to show the following editing screen.



← Context sensitive help (for the currently highlighted menu item)

The available options for 'Polarity' are listed in the following table.

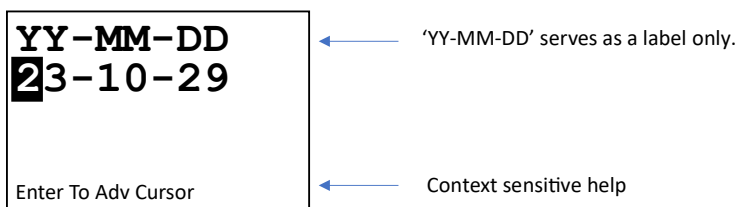
Menu Item	Description
Normal	Relay output is energized when associated alarm is active. Otherwise, the relay output is de-energized.
Reverse	Relay output is de-energized when associated alarm is active. Otherwise the relay output is energized.

When the **ENTER** button is pressed, the screen will update to display the confirmation dialog (described previously).

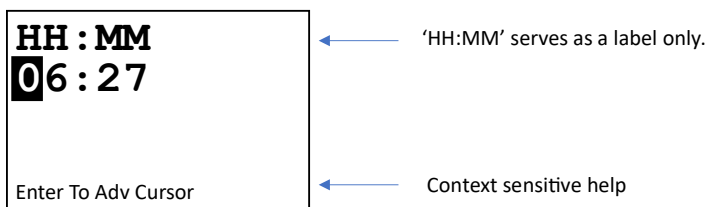
4.3.10.7 RTC Date & Time

The main service menu Date and Time items can be used to update the on-board real-time clock (RTC). The RTC runs on battery power when main power is unavailable. These menus provide a mechanism to update the date and time, for example, in the event of low battery during a power outage.

Use the **UP** and **DOWN** buttons to scroll through available year, month, and day options. A short press of the **ENTER** button will advance to the next digit. A long press of the **ENTER** button will return to the previous digit. Press the **ENTER** button on the last digit to proceed to the confirmation Save dialog.



Button presses for Time menu behave in the same manner as the Date menu. Note that it is only possible to update the RTC hour and minute currently.



4.3.11 Calibration

Sensors naturally degrade over time, losing a degree of sensitivity each month. Over time a sensor will start to underreport gas concentrations, meaning that calibration is necessary to maintain a safe environment.

When the unit is due for calibration the Sensor Module LED will blink CYAN-YELLOW as opposed to its usual green to be able to see briefly which sensor(s) is(are) overdue.

Information on Calibration Dates (when calibration is due, calibration frequency) can be found in the UTx Menu.

Caution:

- Only qualified personnel should perform the actual calibration.
- Users new to gas calibration are advised to consult with Armstrong Monitoring.



The Armstrong Monitoring Corporation offers the following calibration plans:

1. Factory pre-calibrated exchange replacement of Sensor Modules.
2. On site installation by Armstrong Monitoring.
3. On site calibration by Armstrong Monitoring.
4. Training by Armstrong Monitoring for end users.

For additional details, please refer to the above **Contact Information** section.

4.3.11.1 Required Equipment; EZ Cal Exchange Program

The following is a recommended list of equipment required:

- Phillips and Robertson screwdriver set.

4.3.11.2 Required Equipment; On-Site Sensor Module Calibration

For qualified personnel, the following is recommended calibration gas for calibration of the AMC-UTx:

UTx Sensor Model No.	Recommended Calibration Gas
AMC-SM-R123-P	2000ppm R134A
AMC-SM-R1234ZE-P	2000ppm R1234ZE
AMC-SM-R134A-P	2000ppm R134A
AMC-SM-R22-P	2000ppm R1234ZE
AMC-SM-R32-F	5% vol R32 (14.4%vol=100%LFL)
AMC-SM-R32-P	2000ppm R32
AMC-SM-R410A-P	2000ppm R1234ZE
AMC-SM-R454b-F	4%vol R454b or above (11.5%vol=100%LFL)
AMC-SM-R454b-P	2000ppm R454b
AMC-SM-R513A-P	2000ppm R134A

Note: Calibration gas concentrations above 5% of max gas range are not supported by the UTx Menu.

Please refer to the above **UTx Calibration Kit** section for the UTx Calibration Kit that provides the mating adaptor for connecting the calibration gas cylinder to the face of the UTx Sensor Module.

4.3.11.3 Pre Bump Test

Before calibration, a bump test ("as found test") is usually performed to ensure each sensor is in working order and returning reasonable responses. The bump test involves applying a test gas to the sensor. However, sensors such as CO have a recovery time measured in multiple hours. As a result, the calibration routine would find a zero at a concentration that is not the true background concentration, should the sensor not have sufficient recovery time.

The “As Found” menu item (see below **Menu Flow Diagrams** section for **Sensor Service Menu Flow Diagram** figure) allows the user to enter the measured background concentration before performing a bump test. This value is persisted in memory for 24 hours. If a calibration is performed during this 24h period, the persisted background concentration will be used to negate the effect of the bump test and sensor recovery time on the calibration process.



← Context sensitive help (for the currently highlighted menu item)

Before performing a bump test, navigate to the “As Found” menu and enter the current background reading. The user should then navigate to the main screen so that the gas concentration may be monitored during the bump test. The user may then apply a test gas and monitor the response.

4.3.11.4 Calibration Procedure

Navigate to the UTx Service Menu and select the sensor to be calibrated. If the **ENTER** button is pressed, then the following menu is shown. This menu is common to all sensors therefore selecting any sensor will produce the same menu.

Please refer to the above **Pre Bump Test** section for specific calibration details.



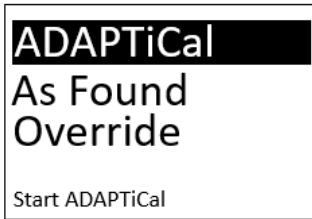
← Context sensitive help (for the currently highlighted menu item)

The **UP** and **DOWN** buttons can be used to navigate the list of service menus for the selected sensor. The sensor’s service menu provides the following menu items:

Menu Item	Description
ADAPTiCal	Select this menu item to start calibration for the selected sensor.
As Found	Allows user to enter the background concentration reading before performing a bump test. (Refer to the above Bump Test section for further explanation).
Override	Allows user to override the current sensor value for the selected sensor. (Refer to the below Simulation of Gas Levels section).
Reset	Allows user to trigger a software reset of the selected sensor.

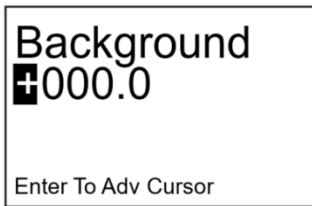


Exit	Select this menu item to return to the main service menu. The current sensor will be selected when the main service menu appears.
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← Context sensitive help (for the currently highlighted menu item)

With 'ADAPTiCal' highlighted (as above), press **ENTER** to initiate a calibration sequence for the selected sensor. Once initiated, the user will be presented with the following screens in which the background and span level concentrations used for the calibration can be entered:

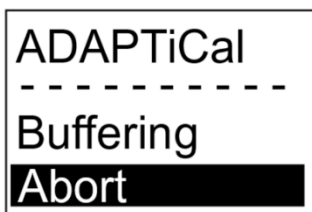


- ← 'Background' serves as a label only.
- ← Edit the current background one digit at a time using the **UP/DOWN** buttons. Press **ENTER** to advance the cursor to the next digit. Press **ENTER** when the last digit is highlighted to save the value.
- ← Context sensitive help



- ← 'Span Level' serves as a label only.
- ← Edit the span level value one digit at a time using the **UP/DOWN** buttons. Press **ENTER** to advance the cursor to the next digit. Press **ENTER** when the last digit is highlighted to save the value.
- ← Context sensitive help

Once the background and span level gas concentrations are entered, the calibration procedure will start automatically, and the state of the calibration will be displayed on the display as shown below. Throughout the entire calibration procedure, the Abort command remains highlighted therefore the procedure can be aborted at any time by pressing the **ENTER** button.



- ← Current state of the calibration procedure
- ← Abort command remains highlighted throughout the entire procedure

During calibration, the procedure will transition through the following set of states:

Menu Item	Description
Buffering	A software register is acquiring data before the gas level can be evaluated.
Find Zero	The gas concentration for 'zero' gas is determined.
Apply Gas	Procedure is ready for the user to apply gas. User will be prompted to be press the ENTER button after the OK command is highlighted in order to indicate when they have applied gas.
Find Gas	Calibration routine will stay in this state until it has detected the full application of gas.
Find Span	Calibration is underway with the specified gas applied. This state will remain active until it either passes or fails.

When the calibration procedure completes its cycle, the result will either be a PASSED or FAILED with calibration results as shown by the following two images.

CAL PASSED
Zero Level : 780
Base Level : 800
Span Level : 2700
Orig. Span : 1900
% of Orig. : 100 %
Press Enter to Ack

← Pressing the **ENTER** button returns the display to the ADAPTiCal menu item

CAL FAILED
Zero Level : 781
Base Level : 1058
Span Level : 2956
Orig. Span : 1900
% of Orig. : 100 %
Press Enter to Ack

← When a calibration fails for a sensor that was previously calibrated successfully (e.g. factory calibrated), original span is retained.

← Pressing the **ENTER** button returns the display to the ADAPTiCal menu item

In either case, the OK command is highlighted, therefore, press the **ENTER** button to return to the sensor's service menu.

4.3.11.5 Calibration Procedure – Routine

Note: If an “As Found” (Bump Test) is to be performed prior to calibration, first follow the routine outlined in the above **Pre Bump Test** section.

1. To begin calibration, go to the menu, and select the sensor to be calibrate, then select “ADAPTiCal”. Refer to the above **Calibration Menu** section for details.
2. The operator will be asked to provide a background gas concentration. Use the arrow keys to adjust the rightmost digit while pressing enter to commit each digit. Repeat this for all digits.



- a. It is recommended that prior to calibration to manually set the ventilation system to reduce the background gas concentration to near zero.
- b. It is recommended to use a trusted secondary measurement device (such as a handheld gas meter) to obtain an accurate reading of the background gas concentration. Enter this value for the background gas concentration when prompted.
- c. If background gas concentration cannot be reduced to near zero or if the background gas concentration cannot be established, apply pure nitrogen gas to the sensor prior and during the finding zero stage of calibration. Enter 0 for the background gas concentration when prompted.

CAUTION:

In the case of repeated gas calibrations performed in quick succession (i.e. less than 30 minutes apart) first follow the routine outlined in the 'PRE BUMP TEST' section. Then use the Background value provided by the unit during ADAPTiCal startup.

An electrochemical sensor element has a tendency to increase its background zero offset after each span gassing. Entering a Background of 0.0 in the second or third attempt can lead to failed calibration.

3. The operator will then be asked to provide a span level gas concentration (i.e. the concentration of the target gas that is in the cylinder being used to calibrate). Use the arrow keys to adjust the rightmost digit while pressing enter to commit each digit. Repeat this for all digits.
 - a. It is recommended that this concentration be relatively close to the maximum span range of the sensor for best results (as an example, service technicians could use 75ppm gas concentration cylinder for calibrating 100ppm CO Span sensor, however we recommend 100ppm CO).
4. The sensor will enter buffering and the "Find Zero" stage of calibration, assessing the output at the background concentration. When this stage succeeds, the operator will be notified on screen, and the calibration routine will pause until it is acknowledged. Before acknowledging, get the target span gas ready to flow. When **ENTER** is pressed, start applying the gas.
5. The sensor will wait until it detects gas and will enter the "Find Span" stage of calibration. This typically takes between 30 and 180 seconds.
6. Once this stage succeeds, the sensor will check that the result is within limits and notify the operator whether the calibration routine has failed or succeeded. The operator maybe be notified if sensor is nearing end of life.



7. If the calibration fails, the calibration can be attempted again right away, but it is recommended that the operator accepts the background gas concentration provided by the unit since the unit will retain the original background gas concentration.

5 Maintenance

5.1 General

Maintenance is a crucial activity that should be done at the proper time intervals, which are discussed below.

The UTx should be brushed or wiped as required, depending on the rate of accumulation of any dust or dirt.

To avoid sensor damage, the unit **MUST NOT** be submerged in any liquids. Hosing or splashing of the unit with any liquids must also be avoided.

Ensure the green indicators (LEDs) are slowly blinking to indicate a healthy state.

5.2 Scheduled Calibration

Scheduled calibration is critical in maintaining proper function of the AMC-UTx. It is recommended that the Sensor Module(s) be calibrated a minimum of twice a year or more often for demanding workplace applications. As mentioned, Armstrong Monitoring Corporation offers a number of different maintenance plans to suit your requirements. Please see the above **Contact Information** section for more details.

5.3 Sensor Module

The Sensor Module tracks time since last calibration and will indicate via LED status when service is required. When the Sensor Module can no longer be calibrated, replacement is required; See the **Sensor Module** section for replacement sensor P/N.

5.3.1 Sensor Module Replacement

Sensor Modules are designed to be field replaceable. When changing the sensor module, first ensure that the unit is fully powered down.

5.3.1.1 Remove Sensor Module

Detach the Cable to the top connector on the Sensor Module. Note depending upon Sensor Module position the cable will either connect the Sensor Module to the UTx-Main CCA or to the adjacent Sensor Module.

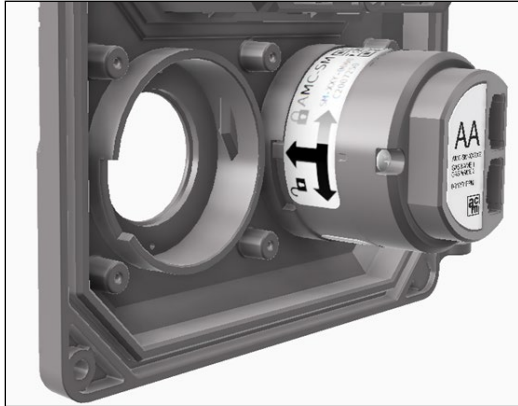


Figure 5-1: Disconnect Sensor Module

Rotate the Sensor Module so the tab aligns as shown and remove from the UTx Lid Assembly.

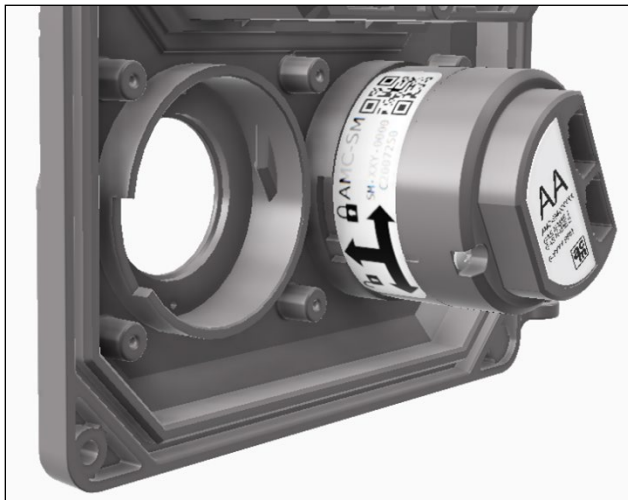


Figure 5-2: Removing Sensor Module from Lid

5.3.1.2 Install Sensor Module

To install the replacement Sensor Module, assemble the Sensor Module to the UTx Lid Assembly.

- Rotate the Sensor Module so the tab aligns as shown.
- Push and turn clockwise until the Sensor module is secured.

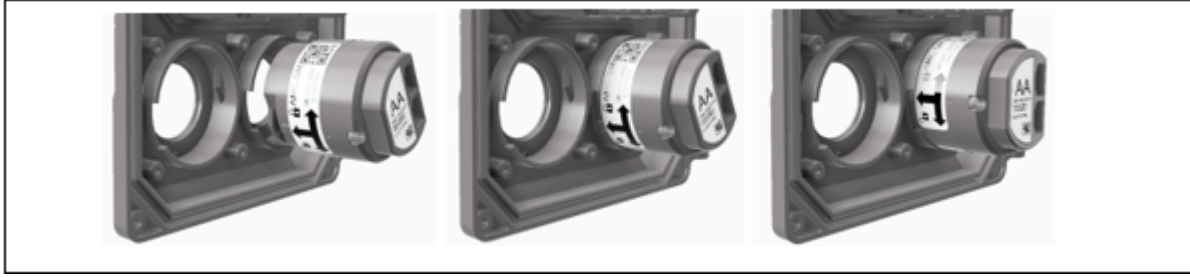


Figure 5-3: Installing Sensor Module

Attach the Cable to the top connector on the Sensor Module. Note: depending upon Sensor Module position the cable will either connect the Sensor Module to the UTx-Main CCA or to the adjacent Sensor Module.



Figure 5-4: Attaching Cable to Sensor Module

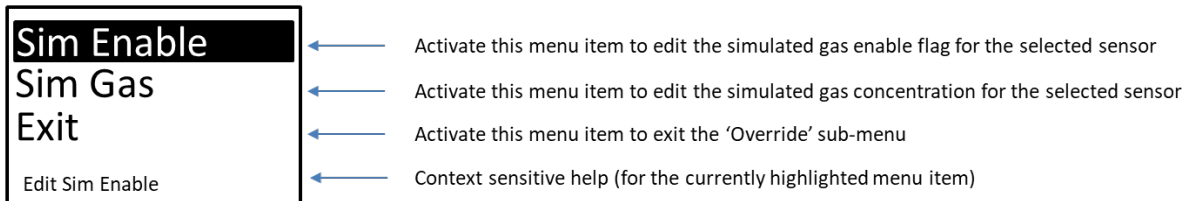
5.4 Verification of Operation

Verification of operation should be performed at least once every 6 months. For highly demanding applications more frequent verification is recommended.

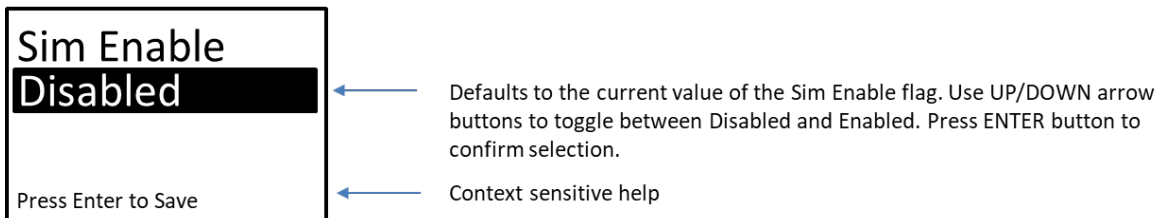
5.4.1 Simulation of Gas Levels

The UTx Sensor Service Menu allows the current gas reading to be overridden by a simulated gas level. This may be useful during system configuration to verify operation of the Digital Monitor or alarm relays.

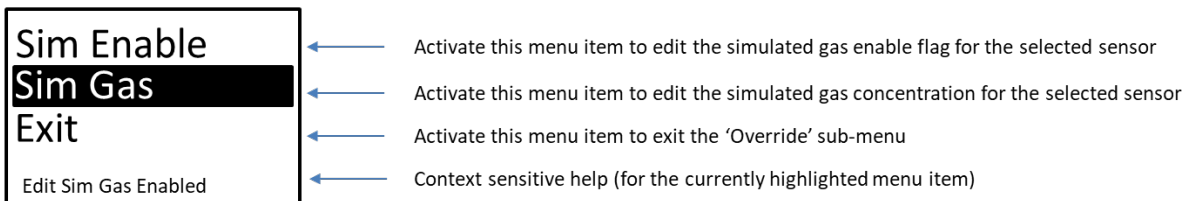
If 'Override' is activated from the sensor's service menu, then the display will be updated to show the following sub-menu.



If 'Sim Enable' is activated from the 'Override' sub-menu, then the display will be updated to show the following editing screen.



When the **ENTER** button is pressed, the confirmation screen (described previously) is displayed. If 'Yes' is selected, the edit value is persisted as the new value for the Sim Enable Flag. Otherwise, the edit value is rejected. In either case, the menu returns to the Override sub-menu menu with the 'Sim Enable' menu item selected.



If 'Sim Gas' is activated from the 'Override' sub-menu, then the display will be updated to show the following editing screen.

Sim Gas

100.0

Enter to Adv Cursor

← 'Sim Gas' serves as a label only, therefore, this item can not be selected.

← Edit the simulated gas value one digit at a time using the UP/DOWN buttons. Press ENTER to advance the cursor to the next digit. Press ENTER when the last digit is highlighted to save the value.

← Context sensitive help

When the **ENTER** button is pressed with the last digit highlighted, the confirmation screen (described previously) is displayed. If 'Yes' is selected, the edit value is persisted as the new value for the Sim Gas concentration value. Otherwise, the edit value is rejected. In either case, the menu returns to the Override sub-menu menu with the 'Sim Gas' menu item selected.

Selected 'Exit' from the 'Override' sub-menu returns the user to the sensor's service menu with the 'Override' menu item selected.

5.4.2 LED/Relay Activation Test

The UTx-M Service Menu allows the activation of all relays and LEDs, regardless of alarm state. This may be useful during system configuration to verify operation of the LEDs and relays, as well as to verify that the polarity settings are correct.

From the UTx service menu, selecting 'Test' will update the display to show the following:

Test

Disabled

Press Enter To Save

← 'Test' serves as a label only, therefore, this item can not be selected.

← Defaults to the current value of the test enable flag. Use UP/DOWN arrow buttons to toggle between Disabled and Enabled. Press ENTER button to confirm selection.

← Context sensitive help

When the ENTER button is pressed, the confirmation screen (described previously) is displayed.

In addition to activating all relays (taking into account polarity settings), all display and sensor LEDs will appear SOLID WHITE, if functional.



6 Modbus

6.1 Register Set

NOTE: The following section applies only to the AMC-UTx-REF-M Variant
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A developer of a monitor can use the below MODBUS register map to query gas type and gas concentration from an AMC-UTx-REF series digital transmitter. A minimalistic monitor need only poll a couple of MODBUS registers to achieve the gas concentration.

- Setup polling MODBUS address with MODBUS protocol at 9600Baud, Even Parity on EIA/TIA-485 link.
- Only Read Holding Register(s) MODBUS function(s) can be used to read these register(s). Up to a maximum number of 12 registers can be read at a time.
- Poll Transmitter Status (Register 2)
 - A hex value not equal to 00xx indicate not available or not ready.
 - A value of 0x008F indicates transmitter is okay at 9600baud with no analog output available.
- Read Gas Number/Device Address (Register 3)
 - A hex Gas Number of 00xx or 01xx or 02xx or 03xx or 09xx represents CO, NO₂, CH₄, Pro(C₃H₈) or H₂ respectively.
- Read Sensor Unit 32-bit Registers r28-r29 currently in PPM or LEL.
 - Swap 16bit values to create 32bit IEEE754 float value in PPM or LEL.

Notes:

*1 Read. These registers can be read or written, write operation is not currently supported and will produce unpredictable results.

*2 Not Supported. The transmitter will provide default or unspecified value.

*3 Float. These registers are a IEEE754 decimal 32 format floating point representation when low and high 16bit registers are swapped (I.e. IEEE 754 Sensor Unit float = r29[31:16] and r28[15:0]). Holding Registers (MODBUS function=03) is supported.



The registers below are based at address 0 and the maximum consecutive registers.

Table 6-1: Modbus Registers 1

Data Register	Register Index	Monitor Access
Serial Number; a 16-bit number between 1-65535 exclusive to a specific UTx-M model.	0	*1 Read
Hardware Rev / Software Rev; a 16-bit number made up of four-bit fields: <ul style="list-style-type: none">- 5-bit hardware version [15:11] (1-32 versions)- 3-bit hardware revision [10:8] (A-H revisions)- 5-bit software version [7:3] (1-32 versions)- 3-bit software revision [2:0] (A-H revisions) These fields are displayed on the LCD during power up.	1	*1 Read
Transmitter Status / Mode; a 16-bit number made up of two 8-bit fields representing transmitter status and modes. Instrument Status Bits [15:8]: <ul style="list-style-type: none">- Transmitter Okay = 0x00- Transmitter Error = 0xFF Instrument Mode Bits [7:0]: (Default 0x8F) <ul style="list-style-type: none">- Bit 7: Reserved for Self Test = 1 (always being self-tested).- Bit 6: Reserved for Remote Calibration Type = 0 (Remote Calibration Not Supported)- Bit 5: Reserved for Output Enable = 0 (Output Not Available)- Bit 4: Reserved for Output Type = 0 (Output Not Available)- Bit 3: Reserved for Baud Rate = 1 (Fixed at 9600)- Bit 2: Reserved Bit = 1- Bit 1: Reserved Bit = 1- Bit 0: Reserved Bit = 1	2	*1 Read
Gas Number / Device Address; a 16-bit number made up of two 8-bit fields of Smart Sensor 2 gas number and Transmitter MODBUS address. Gas number is updated from Smart Sensor 2 upon registration.	3	*1 Read



Table 6-2: Modbus Registers 2

Data Register	Register Index	Monitor Address
CO = 0 NO ₂ = 1 MODBUS Address [7:0]: 1-247		
Slope; a reserved 32bit float number representing the slope of the Smart Sensor 2 gas updated from Smart Sensor 2 at registration. Slope is reserved for a monitor-based calibration procedure. *2 Not Supported.	4-5	*1 Read *3 Float
Offset; a reserved 32bit float number representing the offset of the Smart Sensor 2 gas updated from Smart Sensor 2 at registration. Offset is reserved for a monitor-based calibration procedure. *2 Not Supported.	6-7	*1 Read *3 Float
Calibration Data1; a reserved 32bit float number for a monitor-based procedure. *2 Not Supported.	8-9	*1 Read *3 Float
Calibration Data2; a reserved 32bit float number for a monitor-based procedure. *2 Not Supported.	10-11	*1 Read *3 Float
Calibration Data3; a reserved 32bit float number for a monitor-based procedure. *2 Not Supported.	12-13	*1 Read *3 Float
Calibration Data4; a reserved 32bit float number for a monitor-based procedure. *2 Not Supported.	14-15	*1 Read *3 Float
Output Trim Slope; a reserved 32bit float number for calibrating output slope. *2 Not Supported.	16-17	*1 Read *3 Float
Output Trim Offset; a reserved 32bit float number for calibrating output offset. *2 Not Supported.	18-19	*1 Read *3 Float
High Alarm; a reserved 32bit float number for Transmitter high alarm set point. *2 Not Supported.	20-21	*1 Read *3 Float
Low Alarm; a reserved 32bit float number Transmitter low alarm set point. *2 Not Supported.	22-23	*1 Read *3 Float
Output Span; a reserved 32bit float number for Transmitter output span. *2 Not Supported.	24-25	*1 Read *3 Float
Output Value; a reserved 32bit float number for Transmitter output value. *2 Not Supported.	26-27	*1 Read *3 Float
Sensor Unit; a 32bit float number for Smart Sensor 2 Gas Concentration. Currently in PPM or LEL.	28-29	*1 Read *3 Float
Sensor Output; a 32bit float number for zero based Smart Sensor 2 sensor signal voltage. *Not Supported.	30-31	*1 Read *3 Float



7 Troubleshooting

7.1 Symptoms and Corrective Actions

7.1.1 AMC-UTx-REF-M

Table 7-1: Troubleshooting Table: AMC-UTx-REF-M

Symptom	Possible Cause	How to Verify	Corrective Action
UTx-REF-M Gas Reading Does Not Show Up on Monitor.	Incorrect Modbus Address specified in either the Monitor or the UTx	Monitor shows UTx-REF-M Gas Sensor Missing.	Enter password, enter UTx service menu and correct MODBUS address for sensor.
	Duplicate Modbus Address on two or more UTx-REF-M devices on MODBUS Network	Monitor shows Gas Sensor Missing. UTx-REF-M- with same MODBUS address show slow-blinking GREEN Network LED (Solid GREEN) while other UTx units on network detect Network Fault by turning their Network LED RED.	Enter password, enter UTx menu and correct MODBUS address for sensor.
	Incorrect Device or gas type specified in the Digital Monitor	Monitor shows gas mismatch by turning off its GREEN System LED. Check monitor's system status in "Get System Info" dialog.	Change monitor's configuration to match Sensor Module gas and MODBUS address settings. Ensure MODBUS addresses are matching for assignment S1 and S2.
	Incorrect Parity	UTx-REF-M shows RED on Network LED.	Monitor's MODBUS interface is set to EVEN parity. Check appropriate MODBUS interface configuration in "Set Interface", "RS485 Port" ...



			Change UTx-REF-M parity to match Monitor's EVEN Parity.
	Incorrect Baud Rate Selected	UTx-REF-M shows RED on Network LED.	Monitor's MODBUS interface is set to 9600 Baud. Check appropriate MODBUS interface configuration in "Set Interface", "RS485 Port" ... Change UTx-REF-M parity to match Monitor's EVEN Parity.
	Incorrect RS485 A/B Connections	UTx-REF-M shows RED on Network LED.	Change wiring to flip A/B configuration.
	Not Connected to MODBUS Network	UTx-REF-M shows blinking GREEN on Network LED.	Check wiring or connect UTx-REF-M to MODBUS network.
Monitor's RS485 Information has Timeouts or Communication Errors.	End of Line Termination on MODBUS	UTx-REF-M devices flash RED on Network LEDs from time to time.	Ensure last UTx-REF-M unit on MODBUS network has EOL switched in on position and EOL LED in lit on that unit.
	Multiple End of Line Terminations on MODBUS Network Segment are Installed	UTx-REF-M devices flash RED on Network LEDs from time to time.	Ensure only end UTx-REF-M unit on MODBUS segment has EOL switched in the on position and only one EOL LED is lit on Network segment. Ensure Monitor's EOL termination is installed if monitor is at end of network segment.
No Gas Concentration on UTx-REF-M Display.	Sensor Module Not Connected or Broken Loose Wire to Sensor Module	No Sensor Module LED. Sensor LED RED.	Check wiring from UTx Module to Sensor Module.



Only one Gas Concentration Bar on UTx-REF-M Display.	Second Sensor Module Not Connected or Broken Loose Wire to Second Sensor Module	No Sensor Module LED. Sensor LED RED.	Check wiring from first Sensor Module to second Sensor Module.
Local Relay Not Activating.	Configuration Incorrect	No Continuity Between COM and NO Bus Module Terminals.	Check Local Relay is selected in UTx service menu -> Alarms-> Alarm X -> Output.
Unable to enter ADAPTiCal menu item.	Sensor in warm-up due to power on or recovering post-calibration attempt.	Alarm LED is white. Sensor module in warm-up also has white LED.	Warm-up period will last a maximum of 300 seconds. Display will indicate countdown. ADAPTiCal is not operational/accessible until countdown has finished.
	Temperature Sensor Failure.	Alarm LED is green.	Contact Armstrong Monitoring for technical support.

7.1.2 AMC-UTx-REF-A

Table 7-2: Troubleshooting Table: AMC-UTx-REF-A

Symptom	Possible Cause	How to Verify	Corrective Action
No Gas Concentration on Display	Sensor Module not connected or broken or loose wire to Sensor Module.	No Sensor Module LED. Sensor LED RED. Display indicated "FAIL".	Check wiring from UTx Module to Sensor Module.
Alarm LED or Sensor Module LED is not Solid GREEN	Refer to Section 5.1	Refer to Section 5.1	Check wiring from UTx-REF main board to Sensor Module. Calibrate Sensor Module if needed. Replace Sensor Module with correct type. Refer to section 5.1



Unable to enter ADAPTiCal menu item.	Sensor in warm-up due to power on, or recovering post-calibration attempt.	Alarm LED is WHITE. Sensor Module in warm-up also has WHITE LED.	Warm-up period will last a maximum of 300 seconds. Display will indicate countdown.
Buzzer or Relays not activating.	Bad Connection to Buzzer or Relays.	No continuity between COM and NO Bus Module terminals.	Re-seat wiring connections for buzzer and relay coils.
	Configuration Incorrect.	No continuity between Relay coil connections and relay coils.	Check UTx > Buzzer menu parameters. Check if either Alarm or All Levels are selected in item.
			Check UTx > Alarms > Alarm 1/2/3/4 > Trigger menu parameters; ensure Relay 1 and 2 are checked (enabled).
			The Relay 1 coil is energized during WARN state, while Relay 2 coil is energized during the ALARM state.
			Alarm 1 is used to control Relay 1 for CO. Alarm 2 is used to control Relay 2 for CO.
			For 1BVC only: Alarm 3 is used to control Relay 1 for NO ₂ . Alarm 4 is used to control Relay 2 for NO ₂ .



Unable to enter ADAPTiCal menu item.	Sensor in warm-up due to power on or recovering post-calibration attempt.	Alarm LED is white. Sensor module in warm-up also has white LED.	Warm-up period will last a maximum of 300 seconds. Display will indicate countdown. ADAPTiCal is not operational/accessible until countdown has finished.
	Temperature Sensor Failure.	Alarm LED is green.	Contact Armstrong Monitoring for technical support.



8 Sensor Module Default Settings

8.1 Default Alarm Settings

SM Code	Short Gas Name	Safety Group	Set Point 1	Set Point 2	Set Point 3	Engineering Units
			Increasing	Increasing	Increasing	
R123-P	R123	B1	400	800	800	ppm
R1234ZE-P	R1234ZE	A2L	400	800	800	ppm
R134a-P	R134A	A1	400	800	800	ppm
R22-P	R22	A1	400	800	800	ppm
R32-F	R32	A2L	20	40	40	%LFL
R32-P	R32	A2L	400	800	800	ppm
R410A-P	R410A	A1	400	800	800	ppm
R454b-F	R454b	A2L	20	40	40	%LFL
R454b-P	R454b	A2L	400	800	800	ppm
R513A-P	R513A	A1	400	800	800	ppm

8.2 Default Sensor Module Settings

SM Code	Short Gas Name	Safety Group	Span	Hysteresis	Zero Blanking	Engineering Units
R123-P	R123	B1	2000	50	100	ppm
R1234ZE-P	R1234ZE	A2L	2000	50	100	ppm
R134a-P	R134A	A1	2000	50	100	ppm
R22-P	R22	A1	2000	50	100	ppm
R32-F	R32	A2L	100	2.5	5	%LFL
R32-P	R32	A2L	2000	50	100	ppm
R410A-P	R410A	A1	2000	50	100	ppm
R454b-F	R454b	A2L	100	2.5	5	%LFL
R454b-P	R454b	A2L	2000	50	100	ppm
R513A-P	R513A	A1	2000	50	100	ppm

9 Menu Flow Diagrams

9.1 Main Screen / Password Flow

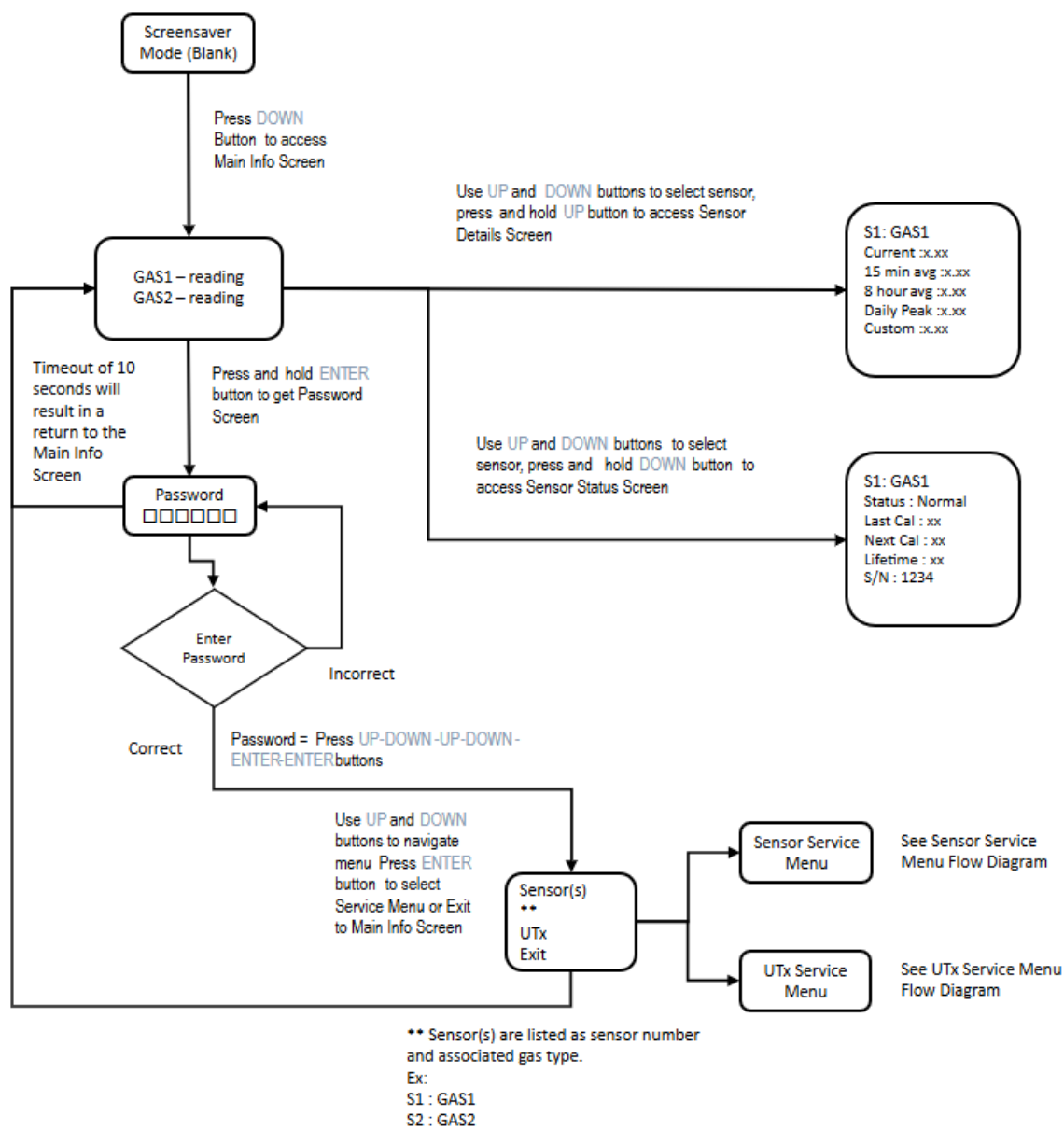


Figure 9-1: Main Screen / Password Flow Diagram

9.2 UTx Service Menu

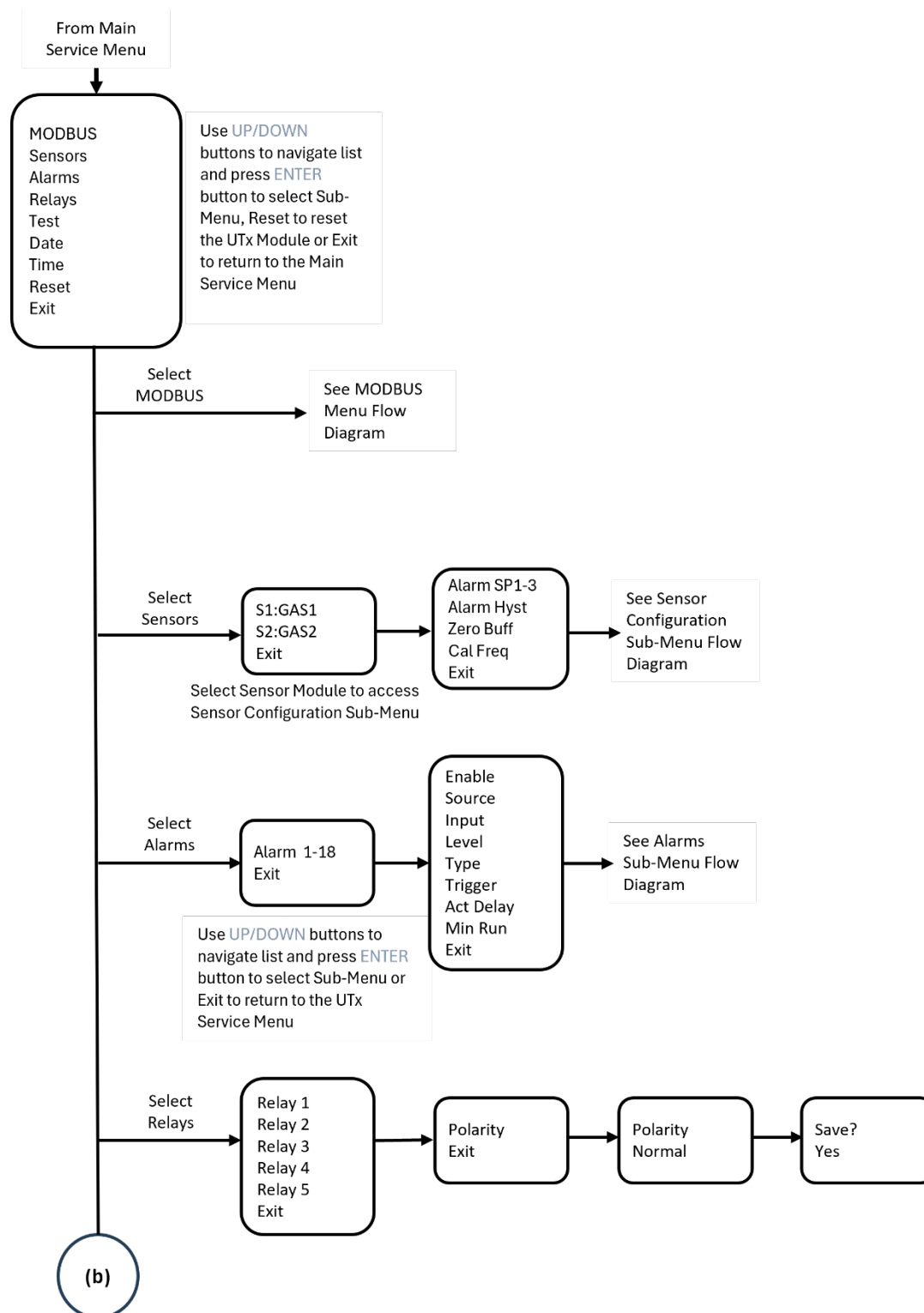


Figure 9-2: UTx Service Menu Flow Diagram (a)

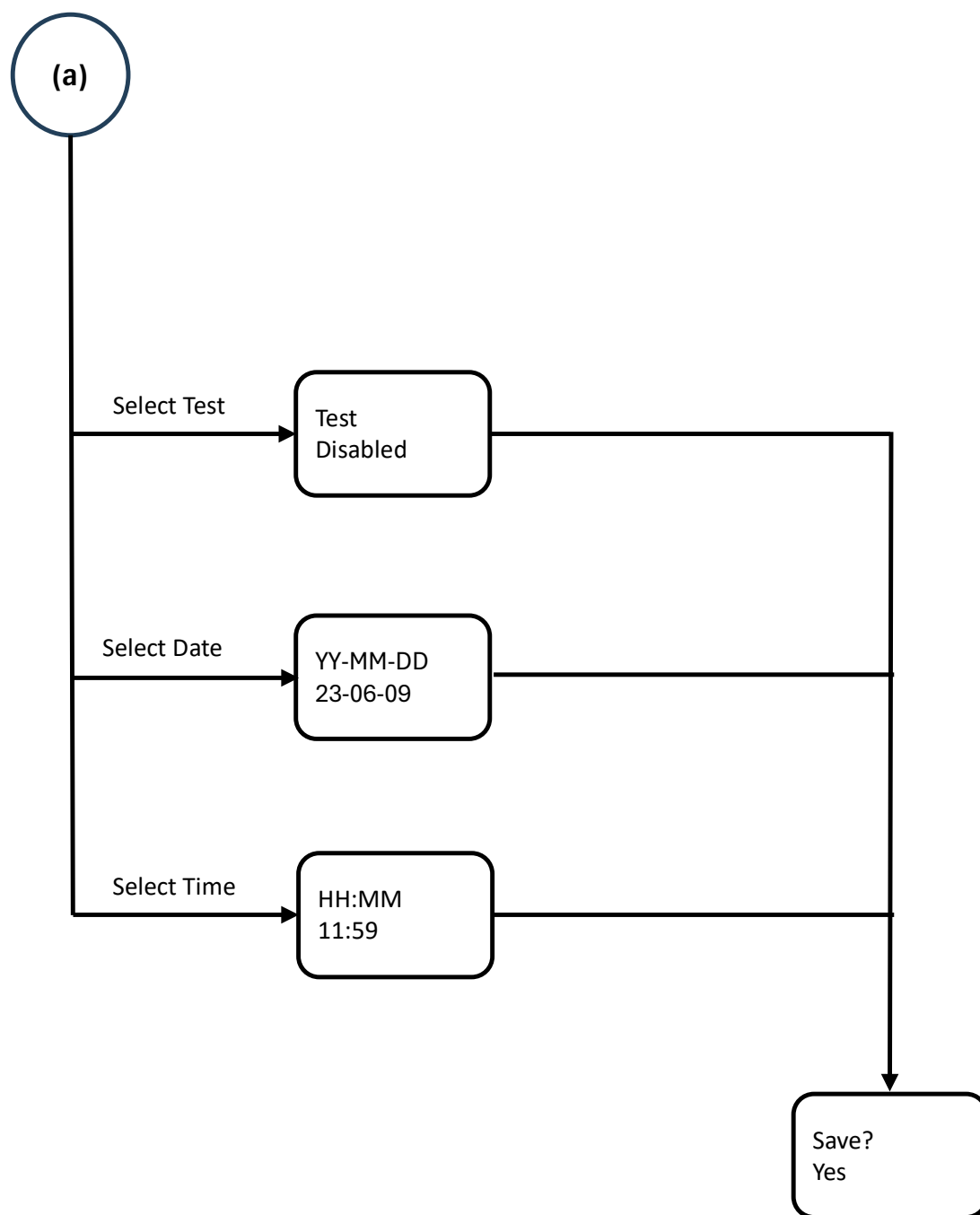


Figure 9-3: UTx Service Menu Flow Diagram (b)

9.3 Modbus Menu (only applicable to REF-M)

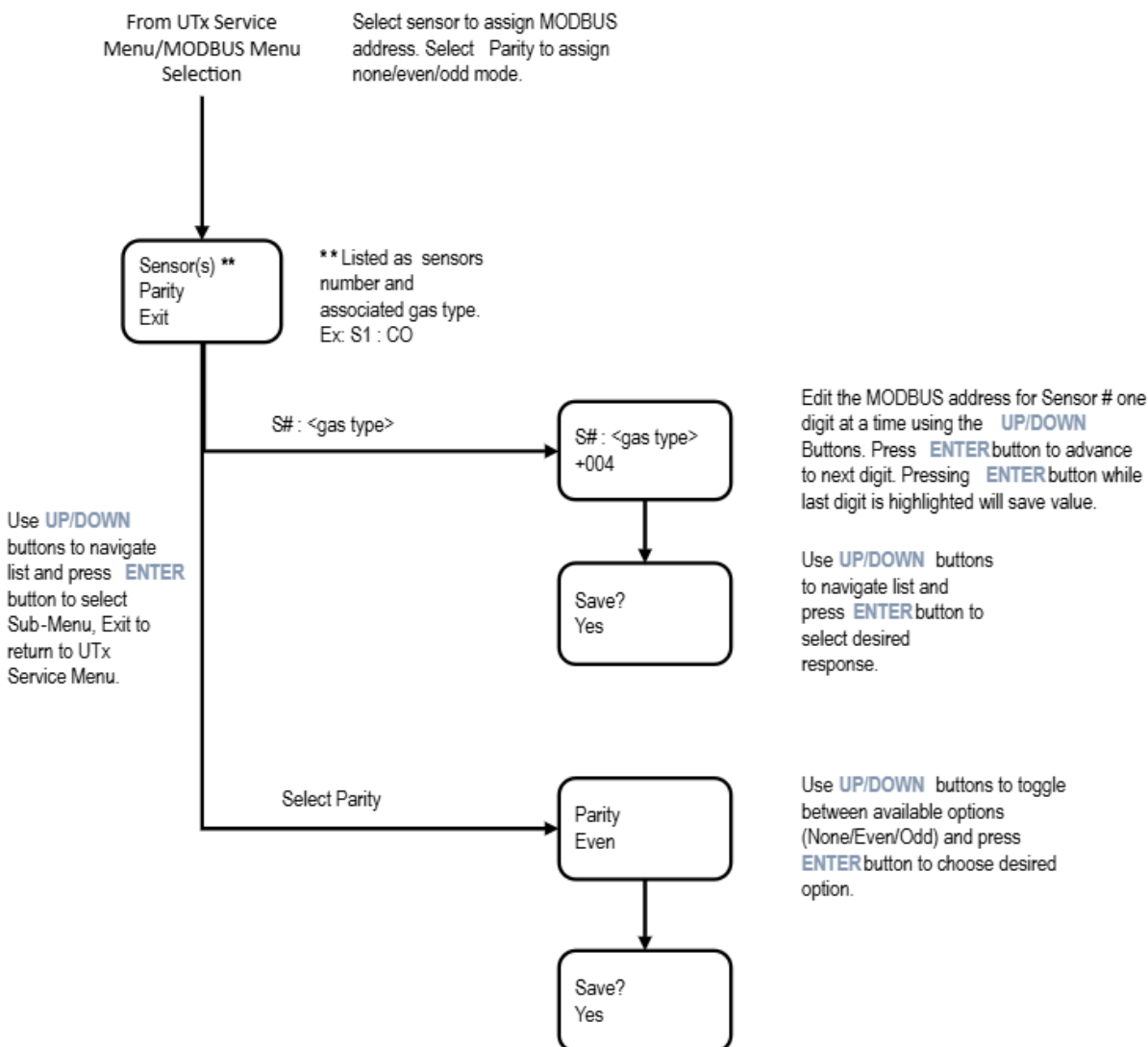


Figure 9-4: Modbus Menu Flow Diagram

9.4 Sensor Service Menu

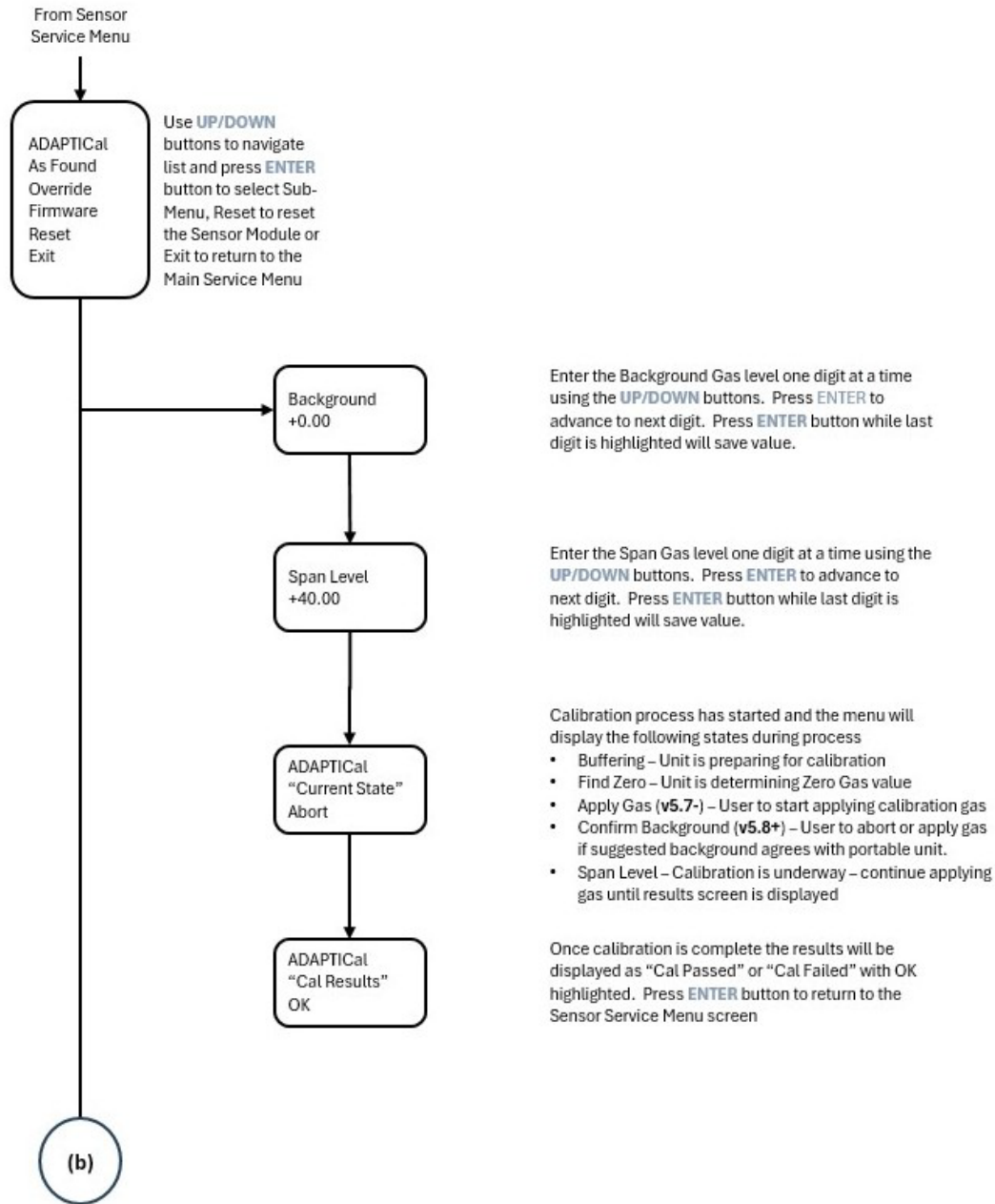


Figure 9-5: Sensor Service Menu Flow Diagram (a)

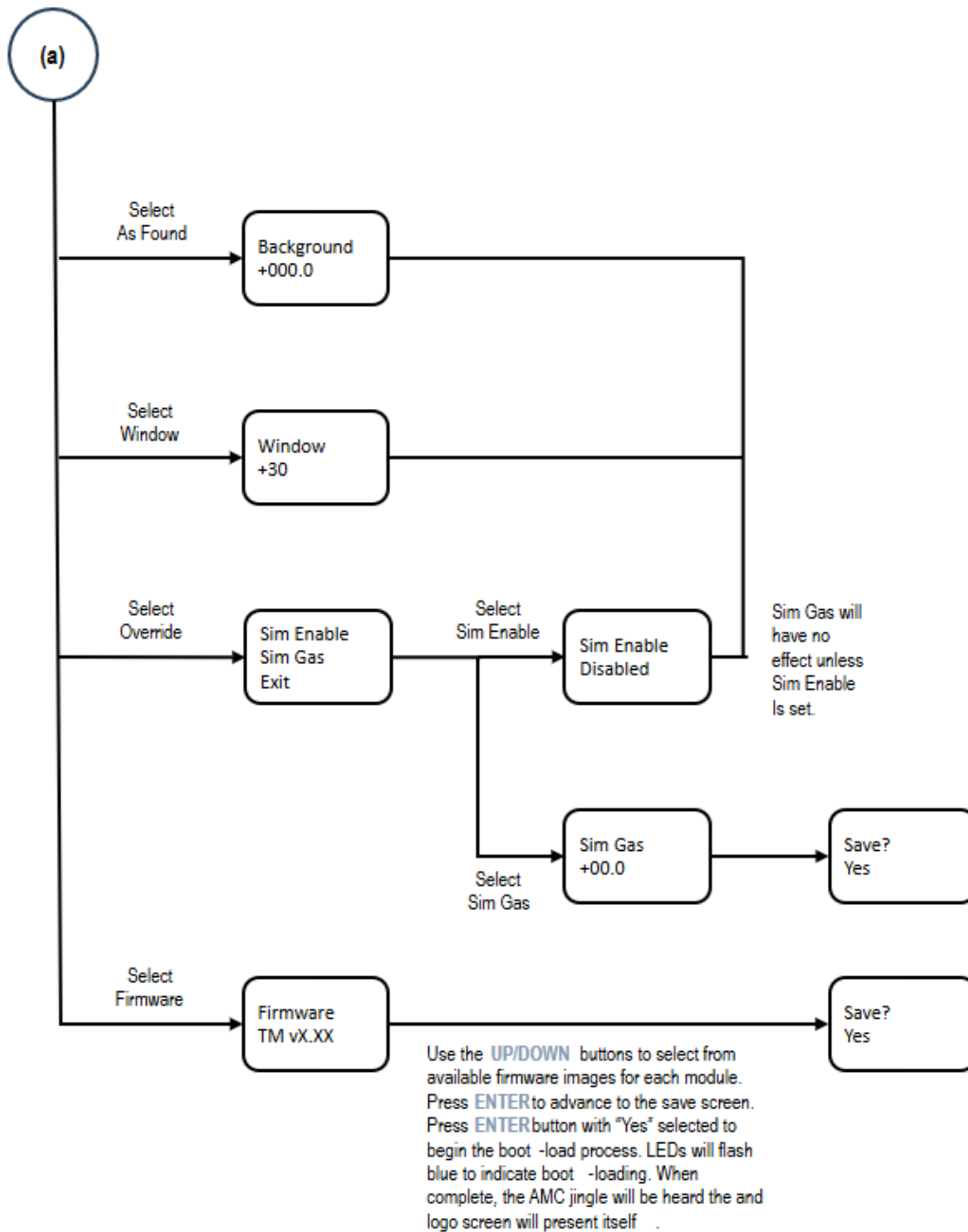


Figure 9-6: Sensor Service Menu Flow Diagram (b)

9.5 Sensor Configuration Menu

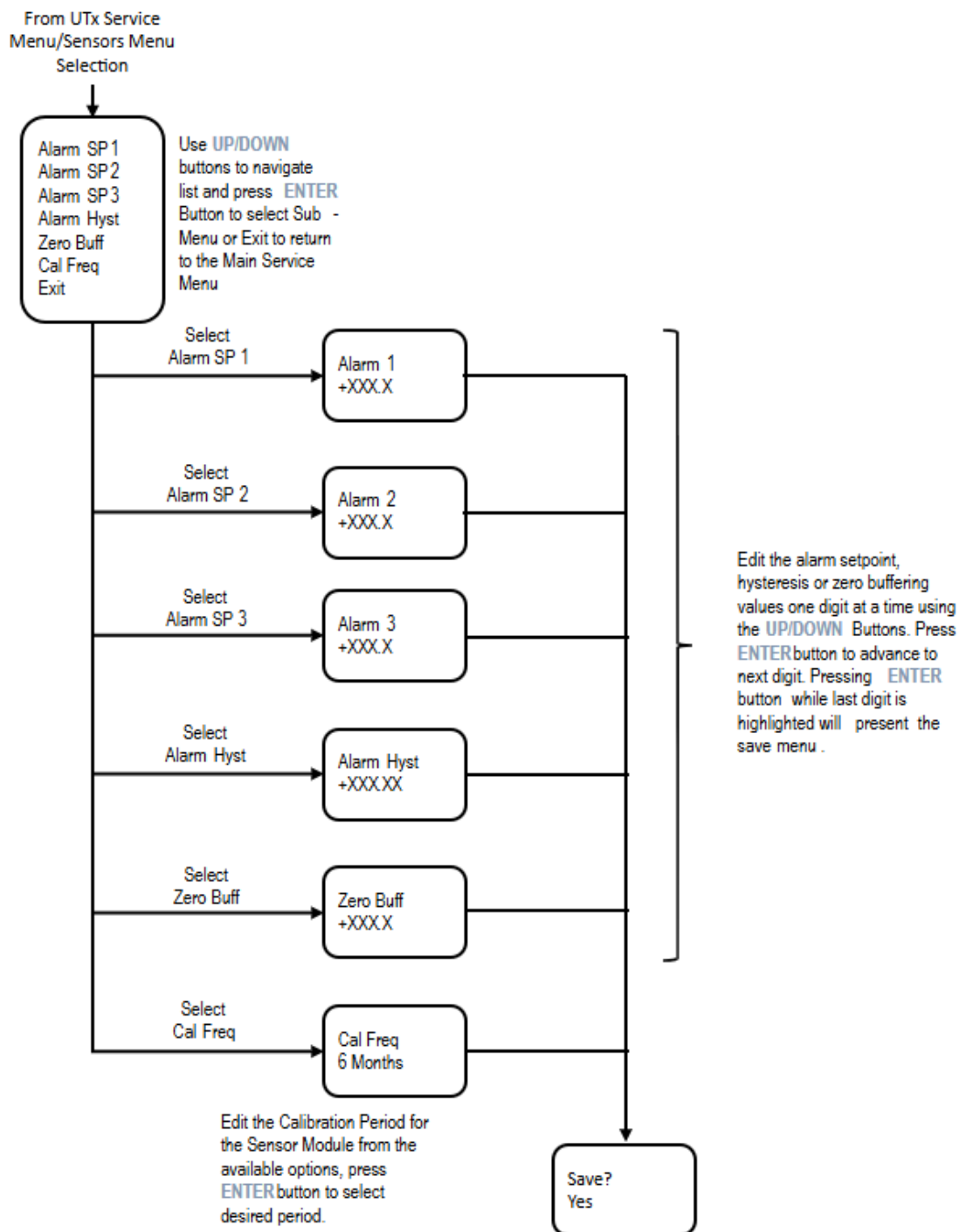


Figure 9-7: Sensor Configuration Menu Flow Diagram

9.6 Alarm Menu

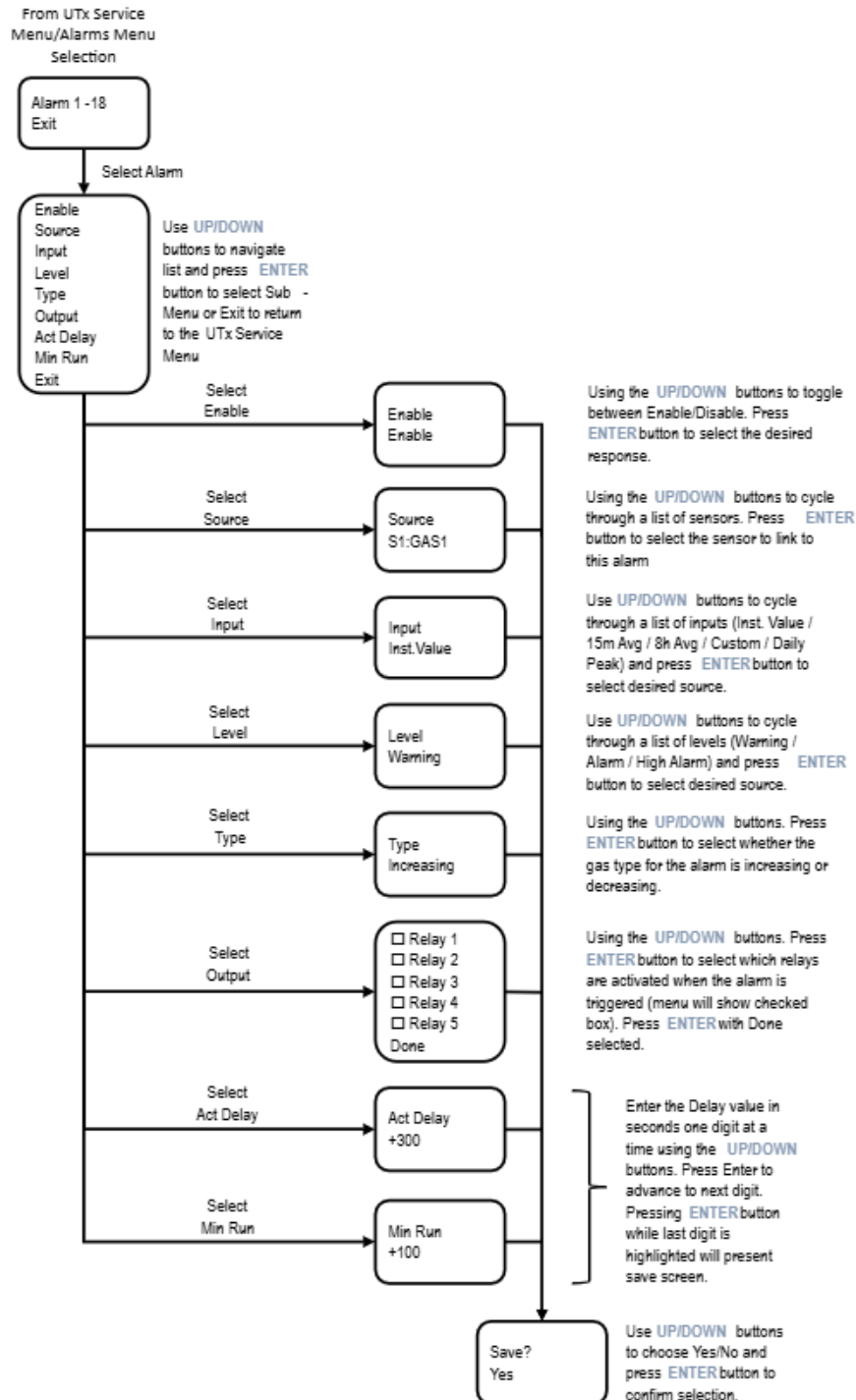


Figure 9-8: Alarm Menu Flow Diagram



10 Revision History

10.1 Document Revision History

Revision	Release Date	Change Description	Affected Section(s)
A	December 2025	Initial Release	
B	December 2025	Custom window option removed.	Transmitter Service Menu – Alarm Sub-Menu
			Calibration Procedure - Menu
		Correction to timeout duration from 30s to 300s.	Detailed Sensor Screen
			Detailed Status Screen
		Addition of “Quick Info” section.	Menu Overview
		Addition of alternative “Override”.	Sensor Alarm Configuration Sub-Menu
C	January 28 2026	Image and verbiage updated to be more generic.	Transmitter Service Menu – Alarm Sub-Menu - Output
			Default Alarm Settings
			Default Sensor Module Settings