

Static Pressure Accessories

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Duct Static Pressure Probe Assembly



Mounting the Duct Static Pressure Probe, Hoses and Damper

Positioning the duct static pressure probe assembly to get the best results requires a planning. Ideally, the probe should be located:

- Half the distance from the fan to the end of the longest duct run
- A minimum of five duct diameters from any vanes, straighteners, reducers or bends

The probe may be placed within 1/2 duct diameter of a filter as long as the filter is five duct diameters from any other restriction.

Drill a 1/4 inch hole in the duct for the probe. Insert the 6 inch long section of the probe into the duct work and rotate so that the airflow arrow is pointing in the same direction as the air flow in the duct. Position the probe so that it is at a right angle to the duct surface or at right angles to a line tangent to the duct surface for round duct. Being off by +/- 5 degrees angle is acceptable.Use the two self drilling screws provided to secure the probe to the duct. For round duct, pick the two holes in the probe mounting flange that touch the duct surface.

Long runs of tubing will damp out quick pressure fluctuations. The probe assembly has a pressure spike reducer for when the probe must be located close to the static pressure tube. The pressure spike reducer provides a slight restriction in the tubing. The volume of tubing after the pressure spike reducer determines the time constant; the longer the tubing the greater the pressure spike reduction.

Place the 6" tube towards the pressure source. Connect the 12" tube to your ZPS pressure sensor. If you do not get the dampening you desire, increase the tubing length from the blue plastic snubber to the pressure sensor.

Condensation running down the interior of the tubing will damage the sensor. A good practice is to form a drip loop in the tubing just before it enters the ZPS pressure sensor (see Figure 2). The distance from the bottom of the loop to the ZPS's pressure port should be 1 to 2 inches (2.5 to 5 cm) greater than the highest air pressure, including error conditions, in the duct system.



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Typical Applications - Duct Static Pressure Probe



Figure 2: Measuring duct static pressure with pressure sensor and static pressure probe

Wall and Ceiling Pressure Pickup Ports



Figure 4: Ceiling Mount Cover Part # NSB-ZPS-ACC05

Mount the static pressure pickup port in an area that is representative of the zone near the center of the zone. Do not mount in a closet or other enclosed space, or in areas that are prone to drafts.

It is best to mount the wall pickup port using an electrical box. A simple hole in the wallboard may be used, but be sure that the foam gasket on the back of the pickup seals tightly against the wall. Attach tubing to the barbed fitting on the back of the pickup port and run the tubing to the pressure sensor, forming a drip loop in the tubing just before connecting to the pressure sensor.

The ceiling pickups are sized to fit through a standard 3/4-inch thick acoustic ceiling tile. Cut a 5/8 inch hole in the tile. Place the static pressure sensor on top of the tile with the filter into the hole.

The filter should stick out slightly below the tile's room surface. Attach tubing to the barbed fitting on the back of pickup port and run the tubing to the pressure sensor, forming a drip loop in the tubing just before connecting the tubing to the pressure sensor.



Figure 3: Measuring duct air filter pressure drop with pressure sensor and two static pressure probes



Part # NSB-ZPS-ACC01



Figure 6: Wall Enclosure Part # NSB-ZPS-ACC03-LS3



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Figure 7: Measuring static pressure differences between two rooms using two stainless steel wall plates (Part # NSB-ZPS-ACC01) and a ZPS or ZPT pressure sensor.



Figure 8: Exploded view drawing of ceiling static pressure pickup port (Part # NSB-ZPS-ACC05) showing how to mount in ceiling tile.