

Application Bulletin

Replacing a Series 275 CONVECTRON® Controller with a Series 375 CONVECTRON® Controller



Series 375 CONVECTRON Controller with Gauge

Introduction: Effective February 1, 2000, Granville-Phillips' Series 275 CONVECTRON 1/4 DIN Controllers are no longer available. The Series 375 CONVECTRON Controller can be used in place of the Series 275, although this is not a direct "plug and play" replacement. This application bulletin addresses the differences between the two units.

Comparisons between Series 375 and Series 275 CONVECTRON Controllers

| Series 375 | Series 275 |
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| Wide range pressure measurement from 1000 Torr to 1 x 10^{-4} Torr. | Measurement range from 1000 Torr to 1 x 10^{-3} Torr. |
| Rugged all-metal space saving 1/8 DIN package is highly immune to rf interference and is CE compliant. | Larger 1/4 DIN plastic enclosure is not CE compliant. |
| Field upgradeable: RS-232 or RS-485/422 digital interfaces, 1 or 2 process relays. | One or two process relays must be ordered at time of order entry. No computer interface available. |
| Push-button calibration and setpoint controls - no tools needed. Digital setpoints are stored in non-volatile memory and cannot drift. | Small screwdriver needed for calibration and setpoint adjustments. Analog setpoints are stored via mechanical potentiometers. |
| The CONVECTRON Gauge cable connects to the controller using a dedicated 9-pin D connector. | The CONVECTRON gauge connects to the controller through a shared printed circuit board edge connector. |
| The analog output and process control relays have individual dedicated connectors. | Analog output and process control connections are only accessible when the cable connector is dismantled. |

Comparisons continued

| Analog output is non-linear requiring complicated sets of equations to calculate pressure |
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| Readout jumps by 5, 10, or 20 Torr increments as it approaches atmosphere. Readout is 1 mTorr increments as it approaches zero. |
| Mbar range limited to 999 mbar full scale. |
| Can only operate on AC mains. |
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Differences between the Series 275 CONVECTRON Controller and the Series 375 CONVECTRON Controller

When using a Series 375 CONVECTRON Controller in place of a Series 275 Controller, the major differences to be aware of are:

- 1. The enclosure of the 1/4 DIN Series 275 is twice as large as the 1/8 DIN of the Series 375 Controller. Inquire about an adapter plate if you need one for an existing 1/4 DIN opening.
- 2. The process control connections for Series 275 are accessed inside the cable assembly at the edge connector. The process control connections for Series 375 are accessed through a separate 6-pin connector. Relays for both products are rated at 250VAC, 30VDC, 5A resistive load. The Series 375 is CE compliant at these levels, but the Series 275 is not. The following table shows the equivalent wiring connections for both product series.

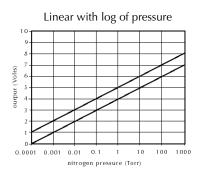
| Function | Series 275 edge card | Series 375 six pin |
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| | connector designation | connector designation |
| Relay #1 - normally closed | 6, F | 1 |
| Relay #1 - normally open | 5, E | 2 |
| Relay #1 - common | 4, D | 3 |
| Relay #2 - normally closed | 9, K | 4 |
| Relay #2 - normally open | 8, J | 5 |
| Relay #2 - common | 7, H | 6 |

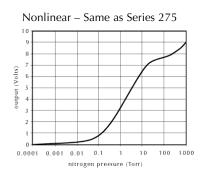
Setpoint pressures are set via the S.P. button on the front of the Series 375 controller. You no longer need a small screwdriver to adjust the setpoints via potentiometers. Detailed instructions are available in the manual that ships with each Series 375 Controller.

3. The analog output voltages for Series 275 Controllers are also accessed inside the cable assembly at the edge connector. The analog output voltage on a Series 375 controller is more convienently accessed through a 1/8 inch mini-phone jack which will be shipped with the unit. The following table shows the equivalent wiring connections for Series 275 and Series 375.

| Function | Series 275 edge card connector designation | Series 375 1/8 inch mini-phone jack |
|-----------------|--|--|
| Recorder output | М | Tip of jack (center conductor of shielded 1-conductor) |
| Recorder return | N | Ring of jack (shield of shielded 1-conductor) |

Three different analog output signals (illustrated below) are software selectable in the Series 375 Controller.





Analog output choices, menu selectable.

The factory default analog output voltage for Series 375 is 0 - 7 volts. This voltage output signal is linear with respect to the log of pressure. The analog output is 1 volt per decade of pressure with 0 volts at 1.0×10^{-4} Torr. The output equation for this setting is:

Pressure = 10^{v-4} Torr/mbar (where V = output voltage).

An alternate analog output voltage is 1 - 8 volts so that 0 V output can be used to indicate that the Controller is off. The lowest reading is 1 volt at 1.0×10^{-4} Torr and the output equation is Pressure = 10^{-V-5} Torr/mbar. To change to this output voltage, enter the setup mode by holding the up and down buttons down during power up. Then press the up or down buttons until the display reads 1.02 and press the CAL button to store the value. Return to operational mode by turning the Controller off and then on again.

A third output option is 0 - 9 V non-linear analog output signal identical to the Series 275 Controller. This is available by entering the setup mode and using the up and down buttons until the display reads 1.03. Then press the CAL button to store the value. Return to operational mode by turning the Controller off and then on again.

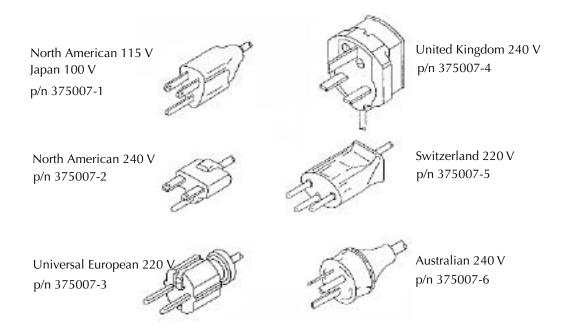
4. The power requirements for a Series 375 *CONVECTRON* Controller is 12-24 VDC, 6W. An input cable is shipped with each controller to hook up to an existing DC power source.

If you do not have 12-24 VDC power available in your system, there are two different power supplies available from Granville-Phillips.

P/N 375006 provides a wall mount transformer to convert 115VAC into 24 VDC and has a North American style plug.

P/N 375007-X is CE compliant, has an external power cord, and operates on any voltage from 90 VAC through 250 VAC. The "X" designates the type of power cord connector.

Power Cord Connectors



If you have any questions or need further assistance while converting from Series 275 to Series 375, please contact Customer Support at 1-800-776-6543 (US or Canada) or your nearest Helix Sales Office.

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