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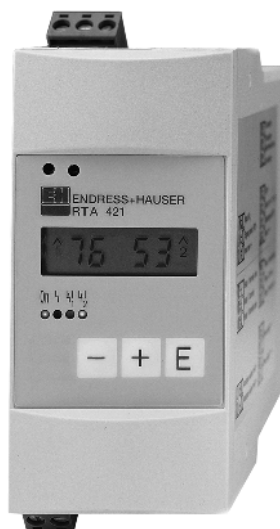
Solutions

## Technical Information

# RTA421

Limit alarm switch

Alarm switch and power supply for monitoring current or voltage signals



### Application

- Plant and machine construction
- Panel builders
- Process monitoring
- Process control

### Your benefits

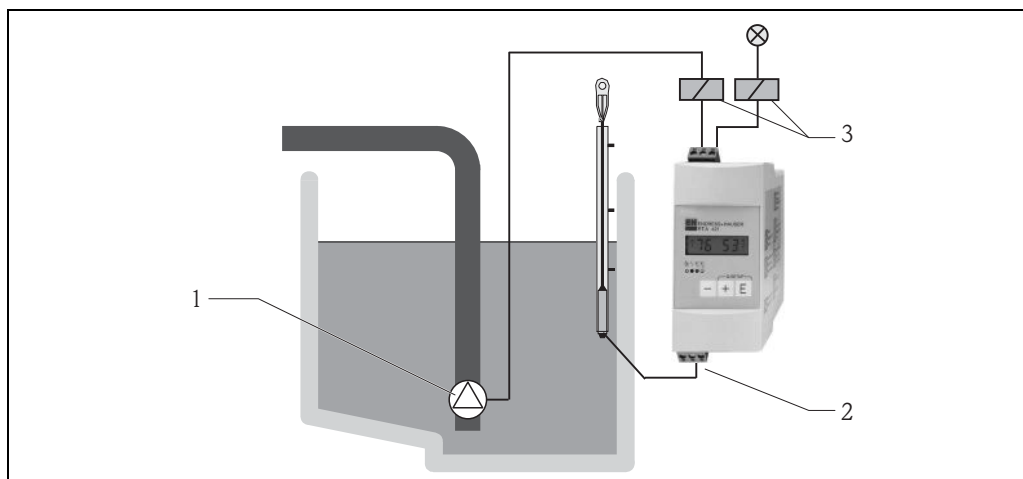
- 2 relays for set point monitoring (with SPDT contacts)
- Loop power supply for connected sensors
- LC display for alarm set points and bar graph
- Compact housing
- Front end setup using 3 push buttons

## Function and system design

### Measuring system

The RTA421 contactor monitors industrial processes for safe operation. The unit analyses current (0/4...20 mA) and voltage signals (0/2...10 V) and switches two independent output relays if the values either exceed or undercut the preset alarm set points.

Applications include pump control in the waste water industry, level measurement in silos can be economically achieved.



- 1 Pump  
2 Signal input with loop power supply  
3 Relays

### Alarm set point function

Mode	Minimum, Maximum
Switch threshold	00 to 99%
Hysteresis	01 to 99%
Time delay	00 to 99 s
Reaction time	0.4 s

Input

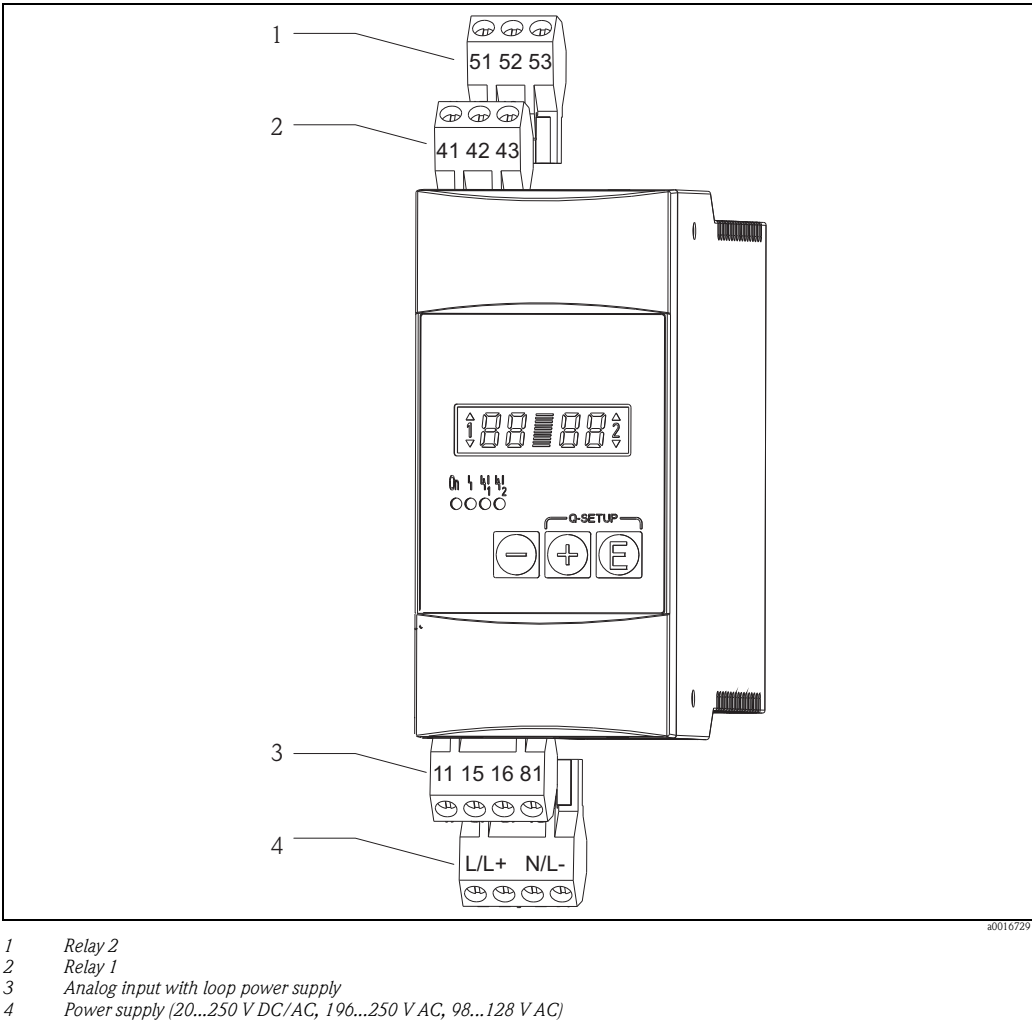
Number	1
Measured variable	Current and voltage
Measuring range	<b>Voltage</b> 0/2...10 V, max. voltage 50 V Ri: 1 MΩ  <b>Current</b> 0/4...20 mA; max. current 150 mA Ri: 5 Ω
Resolution	<b>Voltage</b> 41 mV, 8 Bit  <b>Current</b> 83 µA, 8 Bit
Overrange	10 %
Integration time	4/s

Output

Output signal	<b>Loop power supply</b>	
	Output signal	Terminal 81: 24 V ±20%, 30 mA
	Number	1
	Galvanic isolation	Between power supply and relay outputs
<b>Relays</b>		
	Output signal	Binary, switches when alarm set point is reached
	Number	2
	Contact type	SPDT potential free contact per relay
	Contact load	≤ 250 VAC, 8(2) A / 30 VDC, 5(2) A

# Power supply

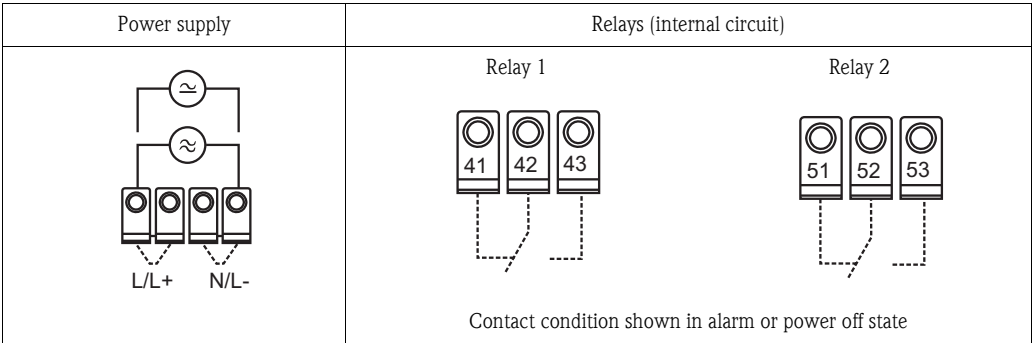
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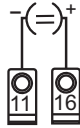
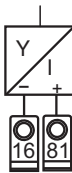



**Supply voltage** 196...250 VAC, 50/60 Hz  
98...126 VAC, 50/60 Hz  
20...250 VDC/AC, 50/60 Hz

**Power consumption** Max. 9 VA

## Electrical connection



Current input	Current input with loop power supply	Voltage input
0/4...20 mA	4...20 mA	0/2...10 V DC
		

Terminals	Keyed, plug on screw terminals, core sizes flexible to 2.5 mm <sup>2</sup> (13 AWG)
Fuse	315 mA, slow blow
Input current limit	$I_{\max} / I_n < 15$
Overvoltage protection	As per IEC 61010-1 Overvoltage category II, Installation area excessive current system $\leq 10$ A

## Performance characteristics

Maximum measured error	<b>Voltage / current</b> Accuracy: 1% FSD
Influence of ambient temperature	<b>Voltage / current</b> Temperature drift: 0.02% / K (0.011% / °F) of ambient temperature

## Installation

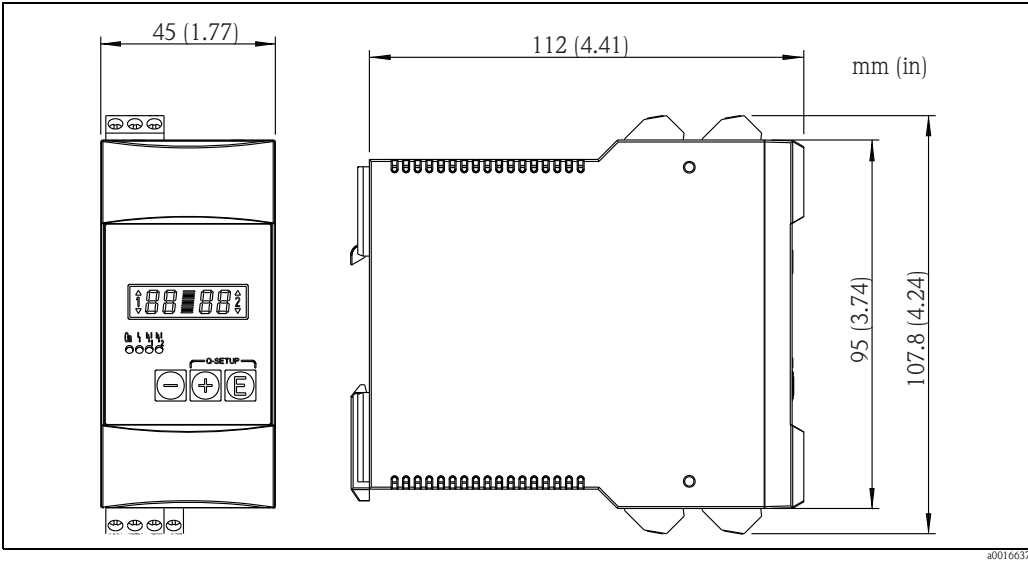
Orientation	no restrictions
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## Environment

Ambient temperature range	-20 °C...+70 °C (-4...+158 °F)
Storage temperature	-20 °C...+70 °C (-4...+158 °F)
Climate class	As per IEC 60 654-1 Class B3
Degree of protection	IP20
Altitude	Up to 2000 m (6560 ft.) above sea level according to IEC 61010-1 (EN 61010-1), CSA 1010.1-92
Electromagnetic compatibility	As per IEC 61326, Class A (industrial environment)

# Mechanical construction

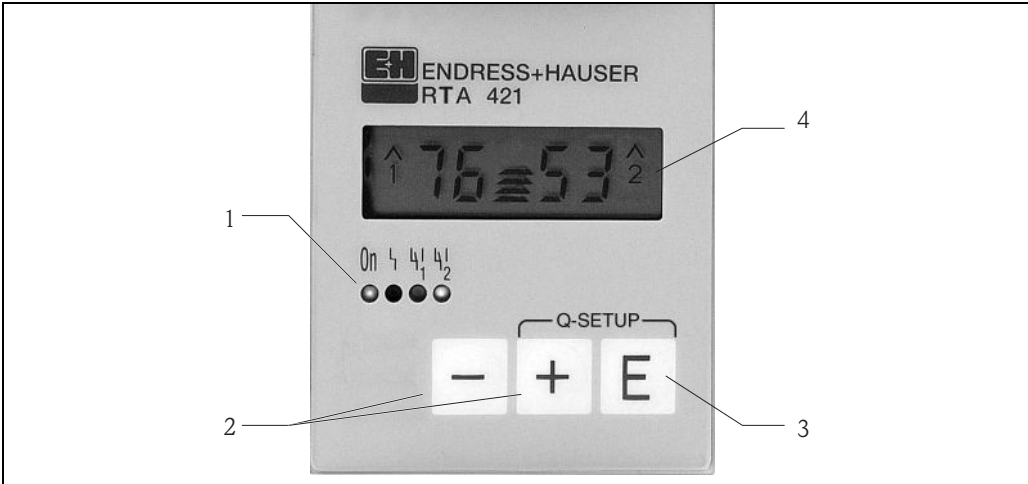
Design, dimensions	Housing for top hat DIN rail mounting to IEC 60715 TH35 H: 110 mm (4.33 in), W: 45 mm (1.77 in), D: 112 mm (4.41 in)
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Dimensions	 <p>The drawing shows two views of the RTA421 unit. The front view on the left shows a width of 45 mm (1.77 in) and a height of 110 mm (4.33 in). The side view on the right shows a depth of 112 mm (4.41 in) and a height of 107.8 mm (4.24 in). The front view also shows a digital display and three buttons labeled '-', '+', and 'E'. The side view shows the unit's profile and mounting tabs.</p>
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Weight	approximately 150 g (0.33 lb.)
Materials	Housing: Plastic PC/ABS, UL 94V0

# Operability

Operating concept	<p><b>Quick Set</b></p> <p>The unit is fitted with a quick set up menu so that if the set points are to be frequently changed this feature can be started by operating the “+” and “E” push buttons. This means that the set points SP1 and SP2 can be easily changed even during operation without opening the setting up menu.</p> <p>If required a 2 digit security code is available in order to stop any changes being made to the alarm set points.</p>
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Local operation	 <p>The photograph shows the front of the RTA 421 unit. Callout 1 points to the LED indicators. Callout 2 points to the selection keys (-, +, E). Callout 3 points to the Enter key (E). Callout 4 points to the 4-digit LC display showing '76.53'.</p> <p>1 LED's: Operational display, fault display, condition display set point relays 2 Selection keys 3 Enter key 4 4 digit LC display with alarm markings and bargraph</p>
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Both set points are simultaneously visible in the display. The ten segment bargraph additionally displays the percentage value of the connected signal. The actual percentage measured value in the measurement circuit can be displayed by operating either the “+” or “-” push button.

**Display**

LED:

Operation, 1 x green

Fault condition, 1 x red

Alarm set point, 2 x yellow

**LC display:**

Numeric display: 4 x 7 segments

Alarm set point condition: 2 x channel number, 4 x 1 segment

Bargraph: 10 x 1 segment

**Display range**

2 x 0 to 99%

**Operation**

3 key operation (-/+ /E)

## Certificates and approvals

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**CE mark**

Guidelines 89/336/EWG and 73/23/EWG

## Ordering information

Detailed ordering information is available from the following sources:

- In the Product Configurator on the Endress+Hauser website: [www.endress.com](http://www.endress.com) → Select country → Instruments → Select device → Product page function: Configure this product
- From your Endress+Hauser Sales Center: [www.endress.com/worldwide](http://www.endress.com/worldwide)



Note!

Product Configurator – the tool for individual product configuration

- Up-to-the-minute configuration data
- Depending on the device: Direct input of measuring point-specific information such as measuring range or operating language
- Automatic verification of exclusion criteria
- Automatic creation of the order code and its breakdown in PDF or Excel output format
- Ability to order directly in the Endress+Hauser Online Shop

## Accessories

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**Field housing**

IP66 protective housing for field mounting  
Order no. 51002468

## Documentation

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**Standard documentation**

Operating instructions BA00101R/09/

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