

The BA684D is a dc powered instrument that can display text and simple graphics in a process area. Incorporating four pushbuttons and two single pole outputs, the BA684D is a low cost robust operator interface ideal for simple machine and process control applications.

Available with either an RS485 or RS232 port and incorporating Modbus RTU, BEKA and Legacy protocol, the BA684D may be directly connected to many industrial networks and instruments, including new installations and upgrades to existing systems.

A high contrast liquid crystal display incorporates a green backlight allowing the display to be read in all lighting conditions from full sunlight to total darkness. The BA684D text display is therefore suitable for mounting in almost any process location.

Four push-buttons, which may be used for operator acknowledgments or controls, are mounted on the instrument front panel below the display. If larger industrial switches are required for operator acknowledgements, these may be connected to the text display terminals. When external switches are activated, the front panel push-buttons are automatically disabled.

Two switch outputs, which are controlled via the serial data link, may be used to control a small load such as a valve, actuator or sounder.

Standard screen formats contain one, two, three, four or eight variables, together with units of measurement, tag descriptions and bargraphs on some of the screens. Use of one of these eleven standard screens greatly reduces the amount of programming required and will satisfy most display requirements. If a custom display format is required, this can be developed using BEKA protocol.

The BA684D is a Modbus RTU slave that can display up to eight process variables together with units of measurement and tag descriptions. When used with one of the eleven standard screen formats, no programming is required apart from setting the BA684D communication parameters and writing each Modbus variable into the

BA684D Modbus register address map. If a custom screen layout is required in a Modbus system this can be constructed using the BEKA protocol.

BEKA protocol allows custom screens using five different font sizes together with, lines, boxes and bargraphs to be produced and stored in non-volatile memory. Simple bit map graphics may be downloaded and stored. Information can also be written to a hidden screen that may be displayed when required.

Legacy protocol enables the BA684D to replace an MTL643 for safe area applications without the need for a galvanic communications isolator and with the added advantage of a display backlight. If required, simple modifications to the host software will allow the enhanced features of the BA684D to be used i.e. five font sizes, simple graphics, additional operator buttons and a second solid state output.

Scripts are a sequence of commands, downloaded to and stored in non-volatile memory by the BA684D text display, that can be executed by the instrument without intervention from the host. For example, a routine may be written to monitor the instruments push-buttons and to change the displayed screen or variable depending upon which button has been operated.

Pattern matching is a powerful feature that allows the BA684D to capture and display data contained in a proprietary ASCII serial string, such as that from a weighing system or barcode reader primarily intended for printing.

The robust enclosure which is moulded in glass reinforced polyester (GRP), has stainless steel fittings, silicone gaskets and an armoured glass window. Its robust construction provides IP66 protection. A separate terminal compartment allows the BA684D to be installed and terminated without exposing the display electronics.

To simplify system design the instruction manual is supplemented by comprehensive Modbus and programming guides plus a free instrument simulator which will run on a PC. All are available from the BEKA sales office or may be downloaded from www.beka.co.uk

BA684D Serial text [Data] display

General purpose

- High contrast display with backlight.
- Modbus RTU slave
- BEKA and Legacy protocols.
- 11 standard screen formats.
- Four operator push-buttons & two switch outputs.
- IP66 field mounting GRP enclosure.
- Free simulator and ScreenWriter software.
- 3 year guarantee

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SPECIFICATION

Power supply

Voltage 20 to 36V dc Current 95mA max

Display

120 x 64 pixel backlit liquid crystal Type

Size 86.5 x 45mm

Screens

11 standard formats 1, 2, 3, 4 or 8 variables plus units of measurement

& tag information, some include bargraphs.

Custom format See Programming Guide

ASCII character set, 5 font sizes

Hidden screen May be written to at any time and displayed when

Controls

Four push-buttons which can be software Front panel

interrogated.

External switches Control may be transferred to six external switches,

front panel buttons are inhibited.

Switch cable length 5m max

Outputs Two software controlled single pole relay contacts

Rating 250V; 5A ac 30V: 5A dc

Reactive loads must be suppressed

Data transmission

Speed 0.3, 0.6, 1.2, 2.4, 4.8, 9.6,19.2, 38.4, 67.6 &115.2k

bps.

Format 1 or 2 stop bits; odd, even or no parity bit;

7 or 8 data bits.

Selectable Modbus RTU, BEKA or Legacy that is Protocol

compatible with the MTL643 & MTL644

Address

Modbus protocol 1 - 247

BEKA protocol 0 - 247Zero reserved for single Legacy protocol 0 - 15instrument applications

Environmental

-20 to 60°C Operating temp -40 to 85°C Storage temp Humidity To 95% @ 40°C

Enclosure IP66

In accordance with EU Directive 2004/108/EC **EMC** No error for 10V/m field strength between 150kHz Immunity

and 1GHz.

Emissions Complies with the requirements for Class B

equipment

Mechanical

Screw clamp for 0.5 to 1.5mm² cable. **Terminals**

Weight 1.6kg

Accessories

Stainless legend plate Stainless steel plate etched with tagging or

applicational information secured to the front of the

instrument

Pipe mounting kit BA392D or BA393

Modbus Guide

Accessories

May be downloaded from www.beka.co.uk Programming Guide

Instrument simulator

HOW TO ORDER

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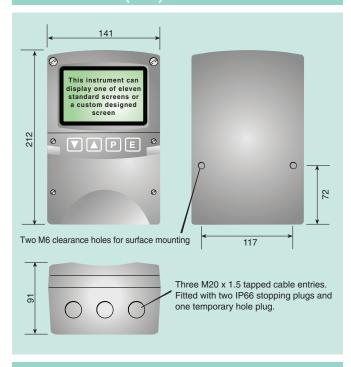
Model number **BA684D** Communication port RS485 or RS232

Please specify if required Stainless legend plate Legend

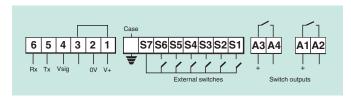
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Modbus Guide Serial Text Display - Modbus Guide Programming Guide Serial Text Display - Programming Guide Instrument simulator Instrument simulator for personal computer BEKA ScreenWriter Custom screen design aid for personal computer

DIMENSIONS (mm)



TERMINAL CONNECTIONS



CONNECTION

