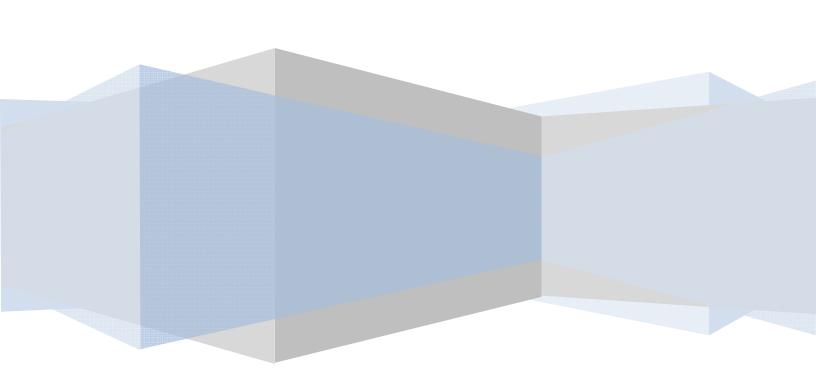


# **GEM Series Flow Meter**

**Installation, Operation, and Maintenance Manual** 





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-	06.30.2019	-	Product Launch		
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## **Safety Instructions**



### **WARNING**

**Personal Safety**: Throughout this manual and on all safety signs, the precautionary statements ("DANGER", "WARNING", "CAUTION" and "NOTICE") can be found, followed by a hazard description and preventative actions to be taken. These precautions are intended for the personal safety of the operator and those within the vicinity of the machinery. Please take time to read these precautions.

Hazard Severity Panels				
Background Color of Panel	Contrast Color	Meaning/Use	Hazard Severity Panel Illustration	
Red	White	Danger hazard severity panels indicate a high level of risk that can result in serious injury or death. The signal word "Danger" is to be limited to the most extreme situation. Danger panels are not to be used for property damage hazards unless personal injury risk appropriate to this level is also involved.	<b>△</b> DANGEF	
Orange	Black	Warning hazard severity panels indicate a moderate level of risk that if ignored, could result in death or serious injury. Warning panels should not be used for property damage unless personal injury risk appropriate to this level is also involved.	<b>⚠ WARNING</b>	
Yellow	Black	Caution hazard severity panels indicate a low level of risk that if not avoided, minor or moderate injury could result. Caution panels without the alert symbol may be used to alert against unsafe practices that can result in property damage only.	<b>CAUTION</b>	
Blue	White	Notice severity panels are used to address practices not related to personal injury.  The alert symbol is never used with Notice panels. As an alternative to the signal "Notice", the word "Caution" without the alert symbol may be used to indicate a message not related to personal injury.	NOTICE	



### **WARNING**

**Machine Safety:** Additional precautionary statements ("ATTENTION" and "IMPORTANT") are intended for machine safety and are followed by specific instructions.



**ATTENTION**: The word "**ATTENTION**" is used to warn the operator of potential machine damage if a certain procedure is not followed.

**IMPORTANT**: The word "**IMPORTANT**" is used to provide the reader with information necessary to prevent minor machine damage if a certain procedure is not followed.



**WARNING:** All maintenance and service must be performed by authorized personnel.



### **WARNING**

**Disconnect Power Source:** Do not connect source power to the flow meter until all installation operations are completed, all covers have been properly installed and all personnel are clear of the equipment.



### WARNING

**Training:** All individuals involved in the installation, operation or maintenance of this equipment must receive and understand training in the safe and proper methods of performing all duties assigned to them at the time of the initial assignment and at least annually thereafter. Safety messages and appropriate response procedures to emergencies or other situations which may arise should be fully understood.



### **WARNING**

**Follow Safety Instructions**: Carefully read all safety messages in this manual and safety signs on the meter. Keep safety signs in legible condition. Replace any missing or damaged safety signs.

Learn how to operate the machine and controls properly. Do not allow anyone to operate the meter without proper instructions.



Keep the meter in proper working condition. Only have the machine serviced by a trained service technician on a routine basis. Unauthorized modifications to the meter may impair the function and/or safety and reduce the life of the meter.



### **CAUTION**

**Practice Safe Maintenance:** Understand maintenance procedures before doing work.



Always disconnect power to the meter before performing any maintenance.

Keep all parts in good condition. Remove any build up of grease, oil and debris. Ensure that all parts have been properly installed by a certified technician.



### **WARNING**

**Proper Source Voltage:** Make sure the source power voltage matches the voltage specified on the flow meter name plate.



### **WARNING**

**Electrical Connections:** Keep all sparks and flames away from battery, as gases given off by electrolyte are explosive. Avoid sparks by connecting the ground cable last and disconnecting it first.



### **WARNING**

**Inspecting the System Prior to Operation:** Always inspect the meter before operation. If the meter appears impaired, do not operate the meter and contact the product support team at 954-725-8740 | Info@glotech-corp.com.



### **CAUTION**

**Proper Area Lighting:** The owner shall provide area lighting as may be required.



### **WARNING**

**Repairing the Meter:** In the event that the GEM flow meter needs to be repaired; disconnect the power source, depressurize the system and contact the support team.



### WARNING

**Lifting Components:** Extreme care is needed for lifting components during installation/assembly. Only authorized personnel using the proper lifting equipment may perform this task.

Use caution when lifting heavy objects. Components weighing in excess of 50 lbs. (22.7 kg.) must be lifted with the assistance of another individual or mechanical lifting device.



### WARNING

**Impaired Safety Protection:** Do not attempt to operate if protection may be impaired. If the equipment appears to have been changed or operates abnormally, protective devices may be impaired. Do not attempt to operate and have the equipment serviced by authorized personnel.





**WARNING:** Ensure that power is turned off/disconnected before removing any protective covers.



**WARNING:** Do not use this product in a manner not specified in this manual.



### **WARNING**

**Data Cables:** Only use the supplied data cables with this meter. Use of any GloTech non-approved cable may damage the equipment and void warranty.



### **WARNING**

**Battery Storage and Transport:** Lithium batteries are a high energy power source and can become a potential hazard if improperly handled.

GloTech Corporation is not responsible for any battery failures due to operator misuse.

Lithium batteries are non-corrosive. However, extreme heat (contact with open flame or system shorting) will cause the battery to rupture and cause severe injury and damage equipment. Observe the following when handling or transporting batteries:

- When transporting, all packaging must have the proper warning labels clearly displayed on the outside of the containers.
- Do not transport or operate batteries at temperatures beyond their specified range.
- Do not crush, break, or disassemble the battery.
- Do not short circuit, recharge, overcharge, or connect the battery with reversed polarity.
- Do not weld or solder onto the battery casing or within close proximity to the battery.
- Do not submerge the battery in water or apply any fluids onto the battery.
- If the battery is drained of power or damaged, consult GloTech Corporation for replacement.
- Adhere to all local laws and regulations for disposal/recycling of lithium batteries.





### **CAUTION**

**Wear Proper PPE:** Always wear appropriate (NFPA 70E and OSHA Compliant) Personal Protective Equipment (PPE) for the task being performed. At a MINIMUM, the following are required equipment:

### **Ear Protection:**

Prolonged exposure to loud noise can cause impairment or loss of hearing. Wear a suitable hearing protective device such as earmuffs or earplugs to protect against uncomfortably loud noises. The Aweighted emission sound pressure level at the pivot point does not exceed 70 dB.

### **Eye Protection:**

Sharp Objects, debris and explosions can cause severe eye damage or blindness. Wear Safety Standard approved protection that fully shields the eyes. Additionally, wear a clear plastic face shield that fully surrounds the face from brow to chin and covers the entire width of the face.



#### **Foot Protection:**

Prevent damage from falling or dropped objects on the feet by wearing steel-toe shoes/boots with metatarsal protection.

### **Head Protection:**

Prevent damage from falling or dropped objects on the head by wearing a Class G Hard Hat for head protection.

#### Gloves:

Prevent electrical shock hazards, cuts and burns to the hands by wearing protective rubber gloves-class 0 with leather protector and cloth liner.



### **CAUTION**

**Prepare for Emergencies:** Be prepared for any emergency that may occur. Keep emergency numbers for doctors, hospital, ambulance service and fire department near your telephone.



## **GEM Magnetic Flow Meter Installation Instructions**

### **Overview**

These instructions describe the GEM magnetic flow meter features as well as provide instructions for meter installation, specifications, user interface explanation and troubleshooting.

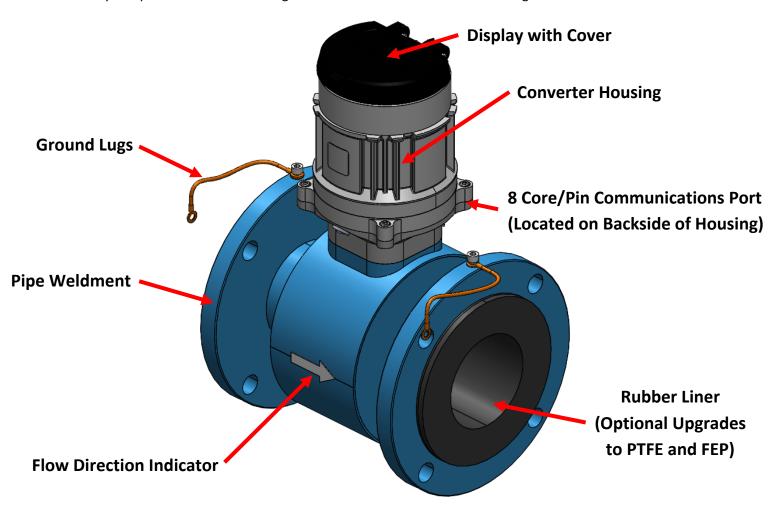
The GEM comes in these models according to pipe diameter size.

- GEM-02 for 2" pipe.
- GEM-03 for 3" pipe.
- GEM-04 for 4" pipe.
- GEM-06 for 6" pipe.
- GEM-08 for 8" pipe.
- GEM-10 for 10" pipe.

- GEM-12 for 12" pipe.
- GEM-14 for 14" pipe.
- GEM-16 for 16" pipe.
- GEM-18 for 18" pipe.
- GEM-20 for 20" pipe.
- GEM-24 for 24" pipe.

## **Meter Design**

The key components of the GEM magnetic flow meter are outlined in the diagram below.





### **Transportation**

During shipping or transporting of the flow meter, avoid exposing the meter to strong shock or vibrations or impact. Avoid scratching the liner inside the pipe.

### Storage

If possible, store the meter in its unopened packaging until actual installation. Avoid storing the meter outdoors for an extended period of time. Avoid rain and any direct contact with fluids prior to installation. Avoid exposing the converter housing to direct sunlight.

### Installation

### **Performance and Operating Specifications**

The GEM is constructed from the following materials:

The pipe consists of 304 stainless steel, with a neoprene rubber liner and EPDM constructed O-ring. The electrodes are made of 316 stainless steel and the electronics housing is constructed from die-cast aluminum with a powder-coated exterior.

The flanges are ANSI 150# which provides a maximum pressure rating of 290 psi.

The GEM is rated for operating between 14°F to 131°F (-10°C to 55°C) with a rubber liner and -4°F to 212°F (-20°C to 100°C) with a PTFE liner and should be stored in temperatures between -40°F to 140°F (-40°C to 60°C).

The GEM has the IP68 and NEMA 4x electrical enclosure ratings for environmental protection of the electrical components.

The GEM is available in sizes ranging from 2" - 24" pipe sizes, with the following accuracies for their given flow ranges. (See the following chart.)

Dino	Measurement Range GPM (LPM)		Accura	су	
Pipe Size	Minimum	Maximum	Meter Span	Cutoff to 5% Max Flow	5-100% Max Flow
2"	2.4 (9)	373 (1412)	250 (946)	+/- 1%	+/- 0.5%
3"	6.7 (25)	955 (3615)	600 (2271)	+/- 1%	+/- 0.5%
4"	11 (42)	1492 (5648)	1000 (3785)	+/- 1%	+/- 0.5%
6"	29 (111)	3357 (12709)	2000 (7571)	+/- 1%	+/- 0.5%
8"	47 (177)	5969 (22593)	4000 (15142)	+/- 1%	+/- 0.5%
10"	83 (313)	9326 (35302)	6000 (22712)	+/- 1%	+/- 0.5%
12"	119 (452)	13429 (50835)	8000 (30283)	+/- 1%	+/- 0.5%
14"	213 (807)	18279 (69192)	12000 (45425)	+/- 1%	+/- 0.5%
16"	279 (1054)	23874 (90373)	15000 (56781)	+/- 1%	+/- 0.5%
18"	353 (1337)	30216 (114378)	20000 (75708)	+/- 1%	+/- 0.5%
20"	435 (1647)	37303 (141208)	25000 (94635)	+/- 1%	+/- 0.5%
24"	627 (2372)	53717 (203339)	40000 (151416)	+/- 1%	+/- 0.5%



GEM flow meters are equipped with conductivity-based empty pipe warning functionality. All GEM flow meters are factory calibrated and require no field calibration.

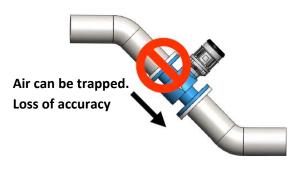
### **Meter Positioning**

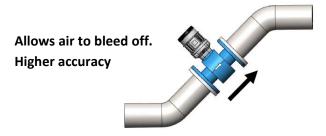
To ensure accurate flow measurement, great care should be taken to correctly position the GEM flow meter during installation. If meter electrodes are removed from the operating fluid during operation the meter will report a zero reading. Air bubbles and sediment in the pipe can cause inaccurate or false readings.

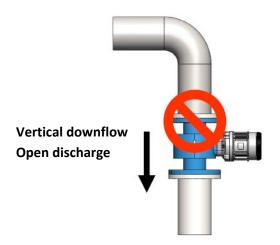
It is preferred that the flow meter is installed in a pipeline location where the pipe will be full when there is flow. Orientate the flow meter in a vertical position (meter positioned on top of the pipe) as well. Never install the flow meter with the meter horizontal to the pipeline or below the pipe. The following diagram shows proper and improper meter positioning.

## **Incorrect Meter Positioning**

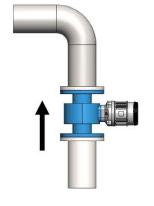
## **Correct Meter Positioning**











U pipe configuration ensures full pipe



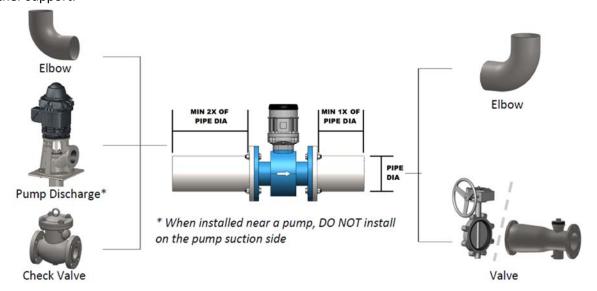


Clock meter up to 45° if necessary



### **Straight Pipe Recommendations**

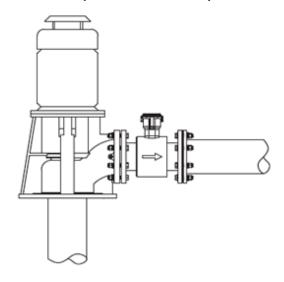
To achieve optimal meter accuracy and performance, it is necessary to provide sufficient lengths of straight pipe upstream and downstream from the GEM flow meter. Below are common examples of installation conditions and recommended minimum straight pipe lengths. These serve as general guidelines and do not cover all possible conditions or any specific local regulatory requirements. If there is a question with regards to a specific installation configuration, please contact the manufacturer for further support.



**NOTE:** Valve denotes a fully open butterfly or gate valve. When installed with a pump, the GEM should always be located downstream of the pump discharge. Installing meters upstream of a pump intake is generally not recommended.

It is widely recognized that often, the most convenient and preferred installation method for the flow meter is to install it directly to a turbine or centrifugal pump discharge. GloTech has conducted laboratory testing to show the GEM can provide accuracy of up to +/- 2% when close coupled to a pump elbow of a vertical well pump.

### **Close Coupled to Turbine Pump Elbow**





### **Chemical Injection Applications**

In chemigation applications, the GEM flow meter must be placed either upstream from the chemical injection line or a substantial distance downstream in a manner that complete mixing of water and chemical occurs before the solution reaches the flow meter. Proper placement will prevent spikes and drops in readings that can result from fluids with varying conductivity pass through the meter.

The measured fluid must have a minimum 10µ Siemens/cm conductivity.

### **Drinking Water Applications**

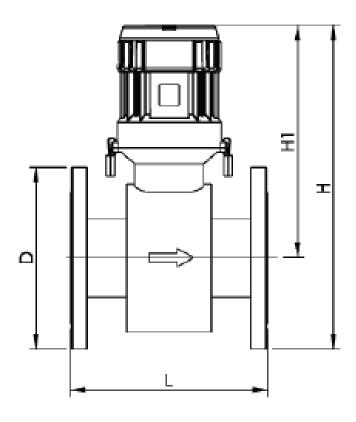
GEM meters sized 4" and above with hard rubber liners are suitable for drinking water applications and has been UL certified to meet the requirements of NSF/ANSI/CAN 61.

### **Meter Weights**

Meter Model	Weight in lbs. (kg)
GEM-02	29 (13)
GEM-03	41 (19)
GEM-04	51 (23)
GEM-06	68 (31)
GEM-08	108 (49)
GEM-10	157 (71)
GEM-12	223 (101)
GEM-14	287 (130)
GEM-16	342 (155)
GEM-18	397 (180)
GEM-20	463 (210)
GEM-24	573 (260)



### **Meter Dimensions**



Nominal Dia.*	L	Н	H1	D**
2"	7.9 (200.7)	13.0 (330.2)	10.0 (254.0)	6.0 (152.4)
3"	9.1 (231.1)	14.6 (370.8)	10.8 (274.3)	7.5 (190.5)
4"	10.2 (259.1)	15.7 (398.8)	11.2 (284.5)	9.0 (228.6)
6"	12.3 (312.4)	17.4 (442.0)	11.9 (302.3)	11.0 (279.4)
8"	14.3 (363.2)	19.4 (492.8)	12.6 (320.0)	13.5 (342.9)
10"	18.2 (462.3)	21.7 (551.2)	13.7 (348.0)	16.0 (406.4)
12"	20.2 (513.1)	24.1 (612.1)	14.6 (370.8)	19.0 (482.6)
14"	20.2 (513.1)	25.8 (655.3)	15.3 (388.6)	21.0 (533.4)
16"	20.2 (513.1)	28.1 (713.7)	16.3 (414.0)	23.5 (596.9)
18"	24.1 (612.1)	29.8 (756.9)	17.3 (439.4)	25.0 (635.0)
20"	24.1 (612.1)	32.1 (815.3)	18.3 (464.8)	27.5 (698.5)
24"	24.1 (612.1)	35.7 (906.8)	19.7 (500.4)	32.0 (812.8)

<sup>\*</sup> Dimensions are in Inches (mm), larger sizes available upon request

<sup>\*\*</sup>Standard flange dimensions per ANSI 16.5. Other flange standards (e.g. DIN) available upon request.





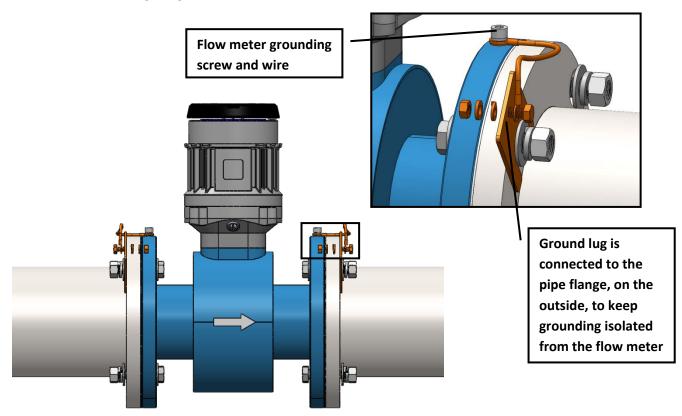
### **WARNING: Electrical Shock**

When installing GEM flow meters to a plastic pipeline, or when externally powered, it is very important to ground the meter to avoid electrical shock hazard. Failure to do so can result in electrocution.

### **IMPORTANT!** Use Proper Grounding

Properly ground the flow meter per the following grounding instructions. Proper grounding will protect signal from the meter against stray electrical noise and/or surges. Proper grounding ensures the noise is carried through the sensor body and a noise-free measuring area within the sensor body. It is highly recommended to ground both flanges of the meter for optimal results

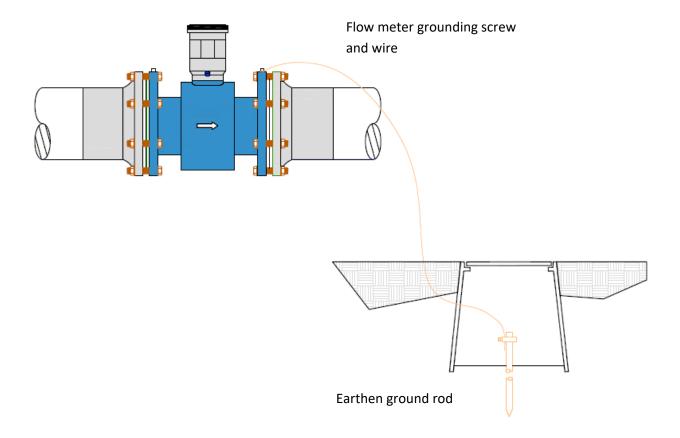
When grounding on metal pipe, the electric potential of the fluid, meter and surrounding pipe must be equalized. This is done by connecting the ground wires on the flow meter body to one of the lug locations on the mating flange connection.



**NOTE:** Make sure the ground wire or lug is between the flange bolt head (or nut) and the outside surface of the mating pipe flange. This grounding must be completely isolated from the flow meter. (See the following diagram.)



With plastic pipe, a grounding rod or other ground-to-earth connection must be installed.



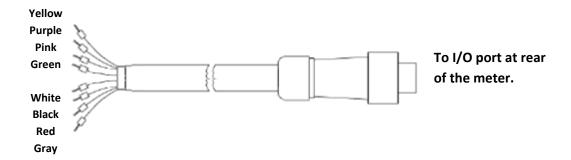


## Wiring GEM Power / Output Cable

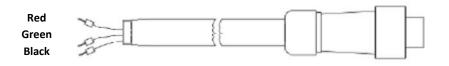
## IMPORTANT! External Power Source Needed for Analog/Digital Output

• External power is required for proportional and reliable signal output to the main control panel.

Never attempt to only wire the analog/digital output without using external power source.



WIRE COLOR	FUNCTION	
Yellow	Power (+)	
Purple	Power (-)	
Pink	485A (+)	
Green	485B (-)	
White	Digital Pulse (+)	
Black	Digital Pulse (-)	
Red	Analog 4-20mA (+)	
Gray	Analog 4-20mA (-)	



To AMI port at front of the meter.

WIRE COLOR	FUNCTION
Red	Clock / Power
Green	Data
Black	Common



## Wiring the GEM to Commonly Used Telemetry/Display Devices\*

## **Wiring Terminals (Digital Output)**

WIRE	AMI VAPOR XI	DWYER RTI2	DWYER PPM	SENTRALINK LT
YELLOW	POWER IN (+)	POWER (+)	P+	24V
WHITE	DIGITAL IN (+)	SENSOR (+)	S+	СОМ
BLACK	DIGITAL IN (G)	SENSOR (-)	СОМ	СОМ
PURPLE	POWER IN (-)	POWER (-)	P-	CH1
RESISTOR	NO	YES	NO	NO

## **K Factor Settings**

METER SIZE	AMI VAPOR XI	DWYER RTI2	DWYER PPM	SENTRALINK LT
2"	1.25	48	48	48
3"	3	20	20	20
4"	5	12	12	12
6"	10	6	6	6
8"	20	3	3	3
10"	30	2	2	2
12"	40	1.5	1.5	1.5
14"	60	1	1	1
16"	75	0.8	0.8	0.8
18"	100	0.6	0.6	0.6
20"	125	0.48	0.48	0.48
24"	200	0.3	0.3	0.3



### **Modbus Registers**

The GEM series mag meter supports Modbus communication protocol that allows for the monitoring and configuration of basic meter parameters such as flow readings, units, alarms, etc.

Notes: Modbus communication is designed for use when meter is externally powered. Running it on battery may significantly reduce the expected battery life.

1. The GEM meter supports Modbus via a RS485 serial port. It supports a baud rate that ranges from 600 bps to 19,200 bps, with a default baud rate of 9,600 bps. It contains 8 data bits, one or two stop bit(s), and a parity bit (none, even, odd):

Baud Rate	Data Bit	Stop Bit	Parity Bit
600			None
1,200		1	None
2,400			F
4,800	8		Even
9,600*		2	
14,400		2	Odd
19,200			

<sup>\*</sup> Default baud rate

- 2. The data frame / Application Data Unit (ADU) consists of address code (1 byte), function code (1 byte), data section (*n* byte), and CRC (Cyclic Redundancy Check) code (2 byte).
- 3. The flow totalizer uses a 4-byte integer (hexadecimal). The instantaneous flow rate uses a 4-byte floating point number that follows the IEEE754 standard format (hexadecimal).
- 4. A function code of "03" is used to read meter (i.e. SLAVE) parameters. For example:

MASTER Broadcasts:			SLAVE Responses
01	Address (SLAVE ID)	01	Address (SLAVE ID)
03	Function Code (Read data)	03	Function Code (Read data)
00	Register Address High	04	Number of Bytes (4)
00	Register Address Low	80	First Data in 1st register
00	Register Quantity High	04	Second Data in 1st register
02	Register Quantity Low	80	First Data in 2nd register
CRCL	CRC Low	80	Second Data in 2nd register
CRCH	CRC High	CRCL	CRC Low
		CRCH	CRC High



5. Meter address (SLAVE ID) can be configured in the GEM Android app via Bluetooth. Each meter should be configured with a unique address between 1-255 (excluding 43, 64, 84, 97, 116 which are reserved).

### 6. Data map\*:

Addı	ress	Description	Data Tuna	Data Length
HEX	DEC	Description	Data Type	(Byte)
00	00	Instantaneous Flow	FLOAT**	4
02	02	Instantaneous Flow Unit	SHORT	2
03	03	FWD Totalizer Integer	LONG	4
05	05	FWD Totalizer Decimal	FLOAT	4
07	07	FWD Totalizer Unit	SHORT	2
08	08	REV Totalizer Integer	LONG	4
0A	10	REV Totalizer Decimal	FLOAT	4
0C	12	REV Totalizer Unit	SHORT	2
0F	15	Empty Pipe Alarm	SHORT	2
18	24	Meter Size	FLOAT	4

<sup>\*</sup> Contact GloTech for access to additional meter parameters

### 7. Flow unit encoding:

### Instantaneous Flow Rate Unit

Addr	ess	Description	Description Data Type		A
HEX	DEC	Description	Data Type	(Byte)	Access
02	02	Instantaneous Flow Unit	SHORT	2	Read/Write
00: LPS	01: LI	PM 02: GPS 03: GPM 04	: CFS 05: CFN	И 06: CMM	
07: CMH 08: MGD 09: MLD 10: MI 11: BBL/min					

### **Totalized Flow Unit**

Addı	ress	Description	Data Tuna	Data Length	Access
HEX	DEC	Description	Data Type	(Byte)	Access
07	07	FWD Totalizer Unit	SHORT	2	Read/Write
0C	12	REV Totalizer Unit	SHORT	2	Read/Write

00: L 01: KL 02: ML 03: GAL 04: KGAL 05: MGAL 06: CM

07: KCM 08: MCM 09: AF 10: KAF 11: MAF 12: CF

13: KCF 14: MCF 15: AI 16: KAI 17: MAI 18: MID 19: K-MID

20: M-MID 21: BBL

<sup>\*\*</sup> FLOAT represents floating point number that follows the IEEE754 standard format



### **Programming Examples**

### 1. Instantaneous Flow (FLOAT)

Master broadcasts:

01H 03H 00H	00H	00H	02H	C4H	OBH
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Slave responses:

01H	03H	04H	D0	D1	D2	D3	CRC16L	CRC16H
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### 2. Instantaneous Flow Unit (SHORT)

Master broadcasts:

01H 03H 00H 02H 00H	01H	25H	CAH
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Slave responses:

01H 03H 02H	00 D0	CRC16L CRC16H
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### 3. Forward Totalizer Integer (LONG)

Master broadcasts:

01H 03H	00H	03H	00H	02H	34H	OBH
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Slave responses:

01H	03H	04H	D0	D1	D2	D3	CRC16L	CRC16H
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### 4. Forward Totalizer Decimal (FLOAT)

Master broadcasts:

01H 03H 00H 05H 00H 02H D4H 0AH
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Slave responses:



### 5. Forward Totalizer Unit (SHORT)

Master broadcasts:

01H 03H 00H 07H 00H 01H 35H CBI
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Slave responses:

01H 03H 02H	00	D0	CRC16L	CRC16H
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### 6. Reverse Totalizer Integer (LONG)

Master broadcasts:

01H	03H	00H	08H	00H	02H	45H	С9Н	
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Slave responses:

01H	03H	04H	D0	D1	D2	D3	CRC16L	CRC16H

### 7. Reverse Totalizer Decimal (FLOAT)

Master broadcasts:

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	ОТП	USFI	ООП	UAII	ООП	UZΠ	E417	USIT

Slave responses:

01H	03H	04H	D0	D1	D2	D3	CRC16L	CRC16H
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## 8. Reverse Totalizer Unit (SHORT)

Master broadcasts:

011	03H	00H	0CH	00H	01H	44H	09H
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### Slave responses:



01H	03H	02H	00	D0	CRC16L	CRC16H

### 9. Empty Pipe Alarm (SHORT)

Master broadcasts:

01H	03H 00H	0FH	00H	01H	B4H	09H
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### Slave responses:

01H	03H	02H	00	T/F	CRC16L	CRC16H
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### 10. Meter Size\* (FLOAT)

Master broadcasts:

01H 03H 00H 18H 00H 0	2H 44H 0CH
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### Slave responses:

01H	03H	04H	D0	l D1	1 02	l D3	CRC16L	CRC16H
0111	0311	0-111	00	01	02	03	CITCIOL	CITCIOII

<sup>\*</sup>Meter size unit in millimeters (mm)

### **Data Conversion Examples**

Convert D0, D1, D2, D3 data from hex to integers or floats. For example: A value of 1600 can be expressed as follows:

- 0x44,0xc8,0x00,0x00 FLOAT
- 0x00,0x00,0x06,0x40 LONG
- 0x06,0x40 SHORT

<sup>\*</sup>Consult GloTech Corporation for wiring instruction to additional devices



### **Vibrations**

Vibrations in the system pipeline can damage the flow meter and should be negated. The meter meets IEC 68-2-64 standards for shock resistance. However, if there is significant vibration in the pipeline, support brackets can be installed on both sides of the meter to help eliminate vibration.

### **Power Supply**

The GEM flow meter can be powered externally or by battery power.

An external power source that provides 8 to 32 V DC/AC. When installed, the battery pack can be used as a backup power source.

A battery pack consisted of 5 lithium 3.6V 19Ah "D" sized batteries with an estimated 3 to 5 years of life.

An indicator on the meter will show a battery symbol with bars representing the power level of the batteries. When the battery power is depleted, the battery symbol will show no power level bars (empty).

### Bluetooth App

A Bluetooth application for Android/iOS is available to adjust meter parameters. Please consult GloTech Corporation for additional information on phone app operation. The iOS phone app is available for download on the App Store by searching for "GloTech" or "GEMconfig". The android app can be downloaded using the information below:

Android Download Link: http://www.glotech-corp.com/sdm\_downloads/gem-android-app/

Password for Download: GEM

Apple Download Link: <a href="https://apps.apple.com/us/app/gemconfig/id1558967205">https://apps.apple.com/us/app/gemconfig/id1558967205</a>

### Phone Installation Instructions

- 1. Download the GEM app from the provided link.
- 2. Install the app on the phone; the phone may need to be set to authorize application installation from unknown sources.
- 3. Once the app is installed on the Android device, make sure that under "settings" ->"Location", that "Use location" is enabled. The individual permission for the app may also need to be adjusted.
- 4. On app start up, the password **2988** must be entered when prompted.
- 5. Make sure your Bluetooth on the Android device is enabled; while standing close to the meter you will see the serial number appear on the menu. Select the meter number to open the parameters.
- 6. You can now adjust any of the parameters by selecting it on the menu. The app will display a message to confirm when the parameter has been successfully updated.



## **Available Display Units (Field Configurable Through App)**

Totalizer	Flow Rate
Gallon, Galx1000, L, Lx1000, ML, CM, CMx1000,	GPM, LPM, LPS, CFM, CFS, CMH, MGD,
CF, CFx1000, Acre-in, Acre-Ft, BBL	MLD,BBL/min



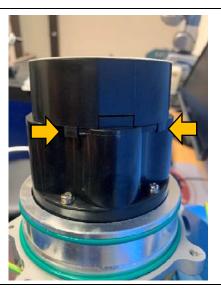
## **PCB & Battery Replacement**



### **IMPORTANT!**

Upon every battery pack replacement, replace the desiccant pack with a fresh pack included in the battery kit.

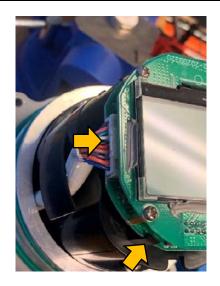
- 1. Use the 4mm Allen wrench to loosen the four (4) 5mm hex head cap screws on the meter housing cover. The photo shows two screws. The remaining two screws are located on the opposite side of the housing. These screws are captive and should not be removed from the cover. Once the screws are loosened, the housing cover can be pulled up and removed from the meter.
- 2. Remove the display cover by unlatching the three (3) clips that hold it to the battery cover. Two clips are shown, and the last clip is located on the opposite side.





3. Once the display cover is removed, the LCD can be unplugged and unlatched from the battery cover.

> **NOTE**: If the purpose of disassembly is battery replacement, the LCD **ONLY** needs to be unplugged.



4. Use the 3mm Phillips screwdriver to remove the three (3) Phillips screws securing the battery cover to the meter.





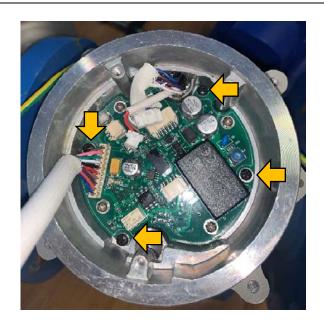
5. Remove the battery cover and carefully lift the battery. Once the PCB is exposed, unplug the battery from the PCB. Next, the stub cable can be disconnected from the PCB.

> NOTE #1 (GEM2 ONLY): The AMI cable (located next to the battery cable) will **NEED** to be unplugged if the PCB is being replaced.

**NOTE #2**: If the purpose of disassembly is battery replacement, the stub cable does **NOT** need to be unplugged. Skip to step 8.

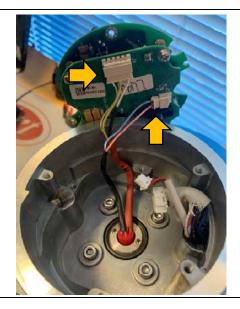
6. Remove the four (4) screws securing the PCB to the meter. In some cases, these screws may be a different color. Ensure that the four screws being removed are outside the white line traced around the PCB board.







7. Carefully lift the PCB up and unplug the signal wires and the excitation wires.



8. Put everything back together and make sure that there are no loose cables. This is especially important when putting the lid back on as cables can get crushed. The four bolts securing the meter head to the electronics housing should be tightened as follows:



Any other tightening sequence may compromise the O-ring seal necessary to keep water from entering the electronics housing.

**NOTE**: the connectors of the cable harnesses are designed such that each connector will only fit with its designated socket on the PCB. Never force a connection that does not seem to fit.





## **Tips for Troubleshooting Meter Electronics**

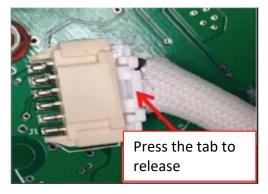
Never tug on the wires when disengaging the connector. This can cause the wires to break from the connector and require re-soldering.



To prevent from damaging the wires when unplugging the cable harness, try to pull on the plastic connector instead of pulling on the wires.



Some connectors have a release tab that locks the connector into the socket on the PCB. This tab must be pressed down first, then gently pull the connector out. Again, do not pull on the wires to remove the connector.





## **Battery Voltage Measurement**

In the event that the battery voltage is question and needs to be verified the following steps can be taken.



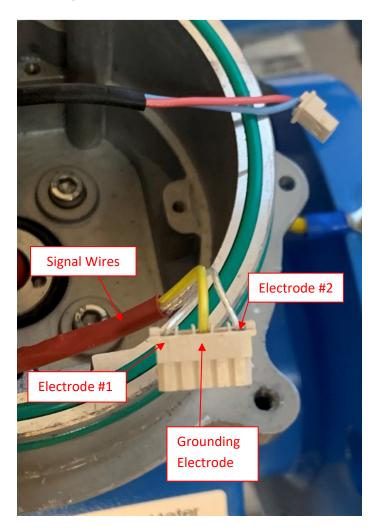


- 1. Refer to the "PCB and Battery Replacement Guide" for steps on how to remove the battery from the meter.
- 2. Check the voltage between the red (+) and black (GND) wire AND the voltage between the blue (+) and white (GND) wire. The voltage can be measured by placing the multimeter probes in areas shown in the photos above. Be sure to make a solid contact for a stable and accurate reading.
- 3. Once the voltage is verified as  $\geq$  3.6V, the battery and meter should be reassembled.



## **Checking for Dirty Electrodes**

In some applications, build-up of debris and solids can occur on the flow measuring electrodes. This can cause false or inaccurate flow readings. The following check is designed to be performed while the meter is still plumbed into the system.



- 1. Refer to the "PCB and Battery Replacement Guide" for steps on how to remove the PCB.
- 2. Check the signal-to-ground resistance:
  - a. Using a multi-meter, measure the resistance between signal wire #1 and ground wire.
  - b. Measure the resistance between signal wire #2 and ground wire.
  - c. Both readings should fall between  $1.5k\Omega$ - $20k\Omega$ .
- 3. Check the signal-to-ground voltage:
  - a. Use a multi-meter, measure the voltage between signal wire #1 and ground wire.
  - b. Measure the voltage between signal wire #2 and ground wire.



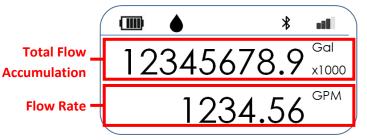
- Both readings should be smaller than 500mV. The difference between these two readings should be no more than 50mV.
- 4. If values fall outside of these typical ranges, then it is an indication of potential debris buildup on the electrodes, or leakage via the electrodes.

## **Cleaning Electrodes**

- 1. Depressurize and remove the meter from the system.
- 2. Apply rubbing alcohol to a cotton ball or toothbrush and carefully scrub the electrodes. Try to not apply excessive pressure as this can damage or scratch the electrodes.
- 3. Rinse off the electrodes with water and verify that all debris is removed.
- 4. Install the meter back into the system and monitor to ensure that the readings are accurate.

### User Interface

The GEM uses a low power consumption dot matrix LCD rate/ total display. The screen displays two lines of information. The top line shows the total flow accumulation. The bottom line displays the flow rate.



The meter provides the following three power status displays. The screen will be blank if there is no power to the meter.



If there is an external power source, a power plug symbol will display.



For battery power, a little battery icon displays in the top-left corner of the screen.

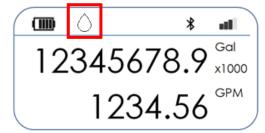




The meter continuously monitors battery life. When the battery power is low, the battery cell icon will show an empty battery. Battery replacement is required at this time.



When the meter detects an empty pipe, the meter will stop measuring and display an empty droplet symbol.



If direction of flow of the medium is reversed, the meter will display the "-" indicator.



When the data logger is enabled, a sheet of paper with the word "LOG" will appear in the upper right-hand corner.



When the job totalizer is enabled, the totalizer will switch between displaying the totalizer 5 seconds and the job totalizer for 10 seconds.





## Troubleshooting

Problem	Possible Cause	Diagnostic Steps	Solution
No display	Dead battery	Check voltage of the battery. A good battery will give a reading of ≥ 3.5V	Replace battery pack. <b>Refer to "PCB &amp;</b> <u>Battery Replacement"</u>
	Screen timeout to conserve battery life	-	Close and reopen lid
	Electronics Failure	Check that the battery voltage is ≥ 3.5V and there is no visible damage to the wiring harnesses	Replace display PCB. Refer to "PCB & Battery Replacement"
Flow rate reads zero when there is flow	Flow is below cutoff	Ensure that the flow rate of the system is higher than the flow cutoff of the meter	Reading will resume when flow increases.  Refer to pg. 10
	There is air in the meter	-	Move meter to a location where pipe is full under any system condition
	Valve is closed	-	Open valve to allow flow
Flow rate intermittently drops when there is flow	There is air in the meter	-	Move meter to a location where pipe is full under any system condition.  Refer to pg. 11
Jumpy readings	Improperly grounded	-	Check for proper grounding. <b>Refer to pg. 16</b>
	Turbulent/Pulsing flow		Use external power source (allows more flow averaging)
	Rapidly changing conductivity (for chemigation applications)	-	Install meter upstream of the chemigation entry location (or far enough downstream for thorough fluid mixing before reaching the meter
Leakage between flange and pipe	Gasket is missing	-	Add gasket between flange and pipe
Meter does not show up on Bluetooth app	Bluetooth module is temporarily malfunctioning	-	Hard reset meter by unplugging battery.  Refer to "PCB & Battery Replacement"  for steps on how to unplug battery
Meter is erroneously registering flow or accumulating totalizer	Air or moisture in the line; Flexible hose is not filled when pump is off	-	Move meter to a location where pipe is full under any system condition; Install meter with skid and rigid piping. Install air bleeding valves and inverse U pipes to keep air away from meter
	Dirty electrodes	-	Carefully clean electrodes. Refer to  "Cleaning Electrodes" section of the IOM manual
Empty Pipe error	Pipe is not full, or fluid level is fluctuating	-	Move meter to a location where pipe is full under any system condition
Excitation error	Open/short circuit or electronics malfunction	-	Refer to "Excitation Error Guide"
		-	Replace PCB. Refer to "PCB & Battery Replacement"
No output to telemetry device or reading does not match meter	Incorrect K-factor.	Check that K-factor matches manual. <b>Refer to pg. 18.</b> Check that k-factor is set to correct units on receiving device	Set proper k-factor and k-factor units
	Missing pull-up resistor	-	Add (usually 3k-10kΩ) resistor between pulse + and power +
	Incorrect wiring	-	Check wiring
	Error on receiving device	-	Verify meter output using multimeter.  Refer to "Communications  Troubleshooting Guide"
	Incorrect power supply		Use compatible power supply with meter



## **Accessories and Spare Parts**

Item	Description	
GEMC15F	15 ft power/output cable	
GEMC25F	25 ft power/output cable	
GEMC50F	50 ft power/output cable	
GEMC100F	100 ft power/output cable	
GEMBT	Spare / replacement battery kit	
GEMPB	PCB replacement kit	
GEMPC	PC configuration kit	