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Certificate of Approval
NMI 14/3/76

Issued by the Chief Metrologist under Regulation 60
of the
National Measurement Regulations 1999

This is to certify that an approval for use for trade has been granted in respect of the instruments herein described.

Diehl Metering ALTAIR (Type A3) DN20 Water Meter

submitted by Diehl Metering S.A.S
67 rue de Rhone
68300 Saint Louis, FRANCE

NOTE: This Certificate relates to the suitability of the pattern of the instrument for use for trade only in respect of its metrological characteristics. This Certificate does not constitute or imply any guarantee of compliance by the manufacturer or any other person with any requirements regarding safety.

This approval has been granted with reference to document NMI R 49-1 Water Meters Intended for the Metering of Cold Potable Water and Hot Water, *Part 1 Metrological and Technical Requirements*, dated May 2022.

This approval is subject to review at the decision of the Chief Metrologist in accordance with the conditions specified in the document NMI P 106.

DOCUMENT HISTORY

Rev	Reason/Details	Date
0	Pattern approved – certificate issued	03/12/24

CONDITIONS OF APPROVAL

General

Instruments purporting to comply with this approval shall be marked with pattern approval number 'NMI 14/3/76' and only by persons authorised by the submitter.

It is the submitter's responsibility to ensure that all instruments marked with this approval number are constructed as described in the documentation lodged with the National Measurement Institute (NMI) and with the relevant Certificate of Approval and Technical Schedule. Failure to comply with this Condition may attract penalties under Section 19B of the National Measurement Act and may result in cancellation or withdrawal of the approval, in accordance with document NMI P 106.

Signed by a person authorised by the Chief Metrologist to exercise their powers under Regulation 60 of the *National Measurement Regulations 1999*.



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TECHNICAL SCHEDULE No 14/3/76

1. Description of Pattern **approved on 03/12/24**

A DN20 sized Diehl Metering ALTAIR (Type A3) model water meter (Figure 1) used to measure cold potable water supplies for trade.

1.1 Field of Operation

The field of operation of the measuring system is determined by the following characteristics:

Minimum flow rate, Q ₁ :	0.0063 m ³ /h
Transition flow rate, Q ₂ :	0.0102 m ³ /h
Maximum continuous flow rate, Q ₃ :	4 m ³ /h
Overload flow rate, Q ₄ :	5 m ³ /h
Flow rate ratio, Q ₃ /Q ₁ :	630
Temperature class:	T50
Maximum admissible temperature:	50 °C
Maximum admissible pressure:	1600 kPa
Pressure loss class:	Δp 63
Accuracy class:	2
Flow profile sensitivity class:	U0/D0 (see 1.1.3)
Orientation:	All positions
Flow Direction:	Forward

1.2 Features/Functions

The pattern consists of a positive displacement piston-type water meter and mechanical indicating device and has features/functions as listed below:

Connection type:	Threaded
Display:	A mechanical indicator allowing for a maximum indication range of 99999.999 m ³ in 0.001 m ³ increments.
Communications:	Not applicable
Materials:	Meter body: Brass Top cover: Plastic with plastic or glass window
Meter length:	154 mm
Non-return device:	Dual check valve

1.3 Conditions

1.3.1 Installation Conditions

No flow straightener or flow conditioner is required.

The flow profile sensitivity class is U0/D0.

1.3.2 Water Quality

The meter is approved for use in the metering of potable water supplies.

1.4 Verification Provision

Provision is made for the application of a verification mark.

1.5 Sealing Provision

The meter is designed such that physical access to the internal components is impossible without causing permanent damage to the meter.

1.6 Descriptive Markings and Notices

Instruments are marked with the following data, either grouped or distributed on the casing, the indicating device dial or an identification plate (Figure 2):

Manufacturer's name or mark	...
Serial number	...
Pattern approval number	NMI 14/3/76
Numerical value of maximum continuous flow rate, Q_3	...
Flow rate ratio, Q_3/Q_1	...
Unit of measurement	m^3
Temperature class ⁽¹⁾	T50
Maximum admissible pressure ⁽²⁾	1600 kPa
Pressure loss class ⁽³⁾	63 kPa or Δp 63
Orientation ⁽⁴⁾	...
Flow profile sensitive class ⁽⁵⁾	...
Direction of flow	→ or similar
Accuracy class ⁽⁶⁾	2

⁽¹⁾ Optional for temperature class T30 meters

⁽²⁾ Optional for meters with MAP = 1400 kPa

⁽³⁾ Optional for pressure loss class Δp 63

⁽⁴⁾ Optional for meters approved for all orientations

⁽⁵⁾ Optional for U0/D0 class meters

⁽⁶⁾ Optional for accuracy class 2 meters

TEST PROCEDURE No 14/3/76

Water meters tested for verification shall comply with the Certificate of Approval, Technical Schedule, and the maximum permissible errors for verification at the operating conditions in effect at the time of verification. Maximum permissible errors for verification of water meters are given in the *National Trade Measurement Regulations 2009* (Cth).

Water meters shall be verified in accordance with the following national instrument test procedures:

- NITP 14.0 – Utility meters – general requirements
- NITP 14.3 – Utility meters – water meters

NOTE: NMI reserves the right to vary this procedure. Any such variation shall be notified in writing by NMI.

FIGURE 14/3/76 – 1



Diehl Metering ALTAIR (Type A3) model water meter (the pattern)

FIGURE 14/3/76 – 2



Indication device and example of required markings