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**Materials of Construction Include:** Duplex 2205, 304, or 316 stainless steel, Hastelloy C-276, 254, SMO, carbon steels. Special materials on request.

**Line Sizes:** 0.5" to 36" or larger.

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**Applications for the V-Cone Flow Meters:**

- Oil and gas production and delivery
- Petroleum refining
- Municipal water and wastewater
- Chemical/pharmaceutical processing
- Power/co-generation
- Mining
- Pulp and paper
- Industrial manufacturing
- Food and beverage

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High Performance in "Real World" Applications

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Accuracy You Can Count On

The key benefit to the V-Cone flow meter's unique design is its ability to provide repeatable accuracy of up to ±0.5% of rate under even the most difficult flow conditions, and over a wide range of Reynolds numbers. Whether measuring swirling fluids or low pressure flows, the V-Cone flow meter delivers the accuracy and reliability other devices only achieve under laboratory conditions.

Acts As Own Flow Conditioner

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Maximum Installation Flexibility

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Flexible Design Meets Range of Needs

The V-Cone flow meter offers exceptional tuning flexibility. It can be sized for flow diameters of 1/2" to over 120". An extensive variety of construction materials are also available.

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V-Cone flow meter Performance Advantages

- High accuracy
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- Self-conditioning
- Minimum straight pipe requirements
- Broad rangeability
- Low headloss
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  - AWRE: B31.3 construction available.
  - Can be supplied with or without a transducer.
  - Meters in compliance with PED97/23/EC are available upon request.

**Approvals for the V-Cone Flow Meter:**

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### Materials of Construction Include
- Duplex 2205, 316 or 316 stainless steel, Hastelloy C-276, 254, SMO, carbon steels. Special materials on request.

### Line Sizes
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### End Fittings
- Rigid, threaded, hub or weld-end standard. Others on request.

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