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# Sight glass

## Type LLG 185 - 1550



LLG are sight glasses in ductile steel which meets the strictest requirements on industrial and marine refrigeration installations. The sight glasses are offered in 3 different versions:

- with welding nipples (LLG)
- with stop valves equipped with caps (LLG S)
- with stop valves and sight adapter in acrylic glass ready for insulation on site (LLG SF).

The range of sight glasses is based on 3 basic sight glasses: LLG 185, LLG 335 and LLG 740. The other standard lengths are combined by using variations of basic glass lengths.

LLG produce sufficient flow areas to secure the highest possible degree of synchronous operation, and have a specially hardened reflection glass for quick reading. The front and the base frame are mounted together from the front with countersunk allen screws. This ensures easy insulation on site as well as easy inspection and service, if any.

All sight glasses are equipped as standard with a built-in safety system (non return device). If a glass is damaged, the pressure of the refrigerant will activate the safety system and refrigerant loss will be limited to an absolute minimum.

### Features

- Refrigerants  
Applicable to HCFC, HFC and R717 (Ammonia).
- Temperature range  
-10/+100°C (-14/+212°F) or  
-50/+30°C (-58/+86°F)
- Maximum operating pressure:  
25 bar g (363 psi g)
- Equipped with boron silicate glass, hardened by an accurately controlled heat treatment process
- Classification: CRN, EAC etc.  
To get an updated list of certification on the products please contact your local Danfoss Sales Company.

### Technical data

- *Refrigerants*  
Applicable to HCFC, HFC and R717 (Ammonia). For further information please see installation instruction for LLG.  
Flammable hydrocarbons are not recommended. For further information please contact your local Danfoss Sales Company.
- *Temperature range*  
The sight glasses are applicable to the above mentioned refrigerants within the temperature range of:  
-10/+100°C (+14/+212°F) for the LLG types with safety system with welding nipples and the LLG S types with safety system with stop valves.  
-50/+30°C (-58/+86°F) for the LLG SF types with safety system with stop valves and sight adapter (acrylic glass) and the LLG F types with safety system and sight adapter (acrylic glass).
- *Pressure range*  
All LLG types are designed for:  
Max. operating pressure 25 bar g (363 psi g)  
Strength test: 50 bar g (725 psi g)  
Leakage test: at 25 bar g (363 psi g).

## Design

### *Glass*

LLG's are equipped with a borosilicate glass, hardened by an accurately controlled heat treatment process. All glasses are according to DIN 7081.

### *Gaskets*

The glasses are equipped with a special non-asbestos carbon compound gasket which provides superior mechanical characteristics and a long time guarantee against service leakage.

### *Connectors*

LLG 590, LLG 995, LLG 1145 and LLG 1550 are joined together by 2 basic LLG's by means of a connector. The connector holds the two basic glasses together by means of screws and guiding pins, which ensures a rigid construction.

### *Stop Valves/Nipples*

The glasses are connected to the refrigeration system by means of welding nipples or stop valves. Which ever system is used, the nipples or stop valves are screwed into a flange, which is located in the correct position and subsequently tightened with a seal gasket and 4 screws.

### *Installation*

Install the glasses on a bracket using the 4 screws supplied with the glass.

Use the threaded holes on the back of the frame to mount the glass on a bracket (not of Danfoss supply). Always connect the piping after mounting on the bracket. Please note the importance of a minimum of stress in the sight glasses from the connected pipes.

Please also make sure that there is sufficient space behind the the sight glasses to ensure proper insulation, service and inspection, etc.

For installations below  $-10^{\circ}\text{C}$  ( $+14^{\circ}\text{F}$ ) it is recommended to add the sight adapter to enable reading after insulation has been applied.

For installations below  $-10^{\circ}\text{C}$  ( $+14^{\circ}\text{F}$ ) in R717 plants it is recommended to use an oil column as described in the following pages. There will be no formation of bubbles or ice build-up in oilfilled sight glasses, which may be the case in the refrigerant-filled glasses.

The sight glasses are designed to withstand high internal pressures. However, the piping system in general should be designed to avoid liquid traps and reduce the risk of hydraulic pressure caused by thermal expansion.



### **Note:**

The LLG sight glass can only be placed in CE approved applications with the stop valves in front.

**Frostproof sight glasses**

*Example 1*

Refrigerant: R717 (ammonia).  
 Temperature: Recommended for temperatures below  $-10^{\circ}\text{C}$  ( $+14^{\circ}\text{F}$ ).

Charge the oil vessel (volume approximate 10 litres) to a level just below the lower balancing pipe (A) through the oil charging valve. Close the oil charging valve.

The principle shown in fig. 1 can be used in connection with low temperature liquid separators or intermediate coolers when the refrigerant is R717 (ammonia).

The oil will show in the sight glass at a level equal to the level in the oil vessel. When R717 is filled into the separator or intermediate cooler it will enter the oil vessel and press down the oil surface.

As the liquid level in the R717 separator varies the oil level will change simultaneously.

The R717 will also rise into the upper balance pipe (B) to a level equal to the level in the separator or intermediate cooler. As the oil surface in the oil vessel is pressed down, the oil will rise into the sight glass.

*Oil Charging*

The system is charged with synthetic oil type SHC 226 with a specific weight, differing from that of R717, and (h) must be multiplied by approximately 1.35 (the ratio of density oil to density R717) to calculate H.

*Note:*

It is important to use an oil which is not likely to mix with R717. The oil must have a high viscosity index to ensure easy flowing at low temperatures. Mobil SHC 226 of the synthetic polyalphaolefin type has proven suitable for this purpose.

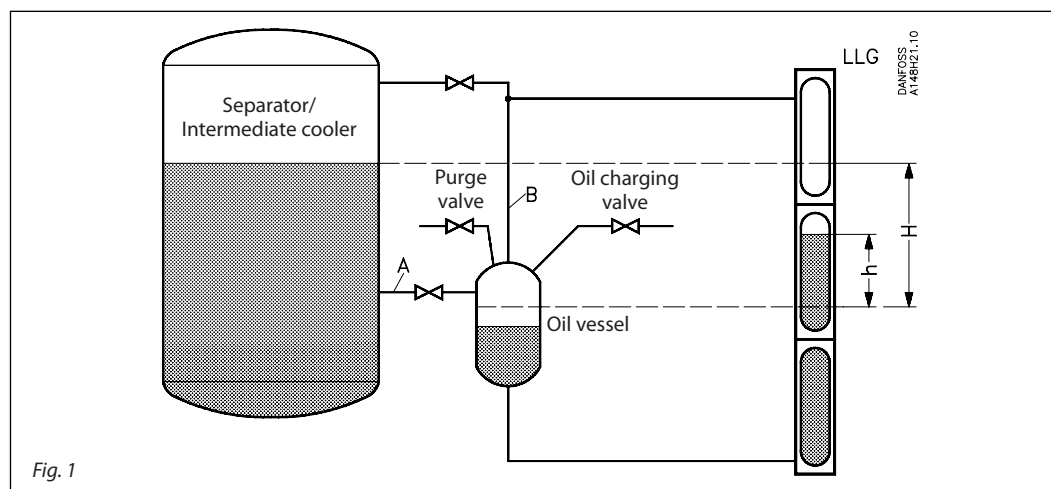


Fig. 1

**Frostproof sight glasses**

*Example 2*

Refrigerant: R717 (ammonia).  
 Temperature: Recommended for temperatures below  $-10^{\circ}\text{C}$  ( $+14^{\circ}\text{F}$ ).

Fig. 2 shows a frostproof sight glass for an R717 liquid separator which is placed above ground level. The arrangement is called a Hampsonmeter.

Due to the evaporation taking place in the uninsulated balance pipe (ND 80/3 in.) the pressure in this pipe will be equal to  
 $P_1 = P_0 + H \times \rho \times g$ .

- $P_0$  Separator pressure ..... $\text{N/m}^2$
- $H$  R717 liquid level (see fig. 2).....  $\text{m}$
- $\rho$  R717 density .....  $\text{kg/m}^3$
- $g$  Acceleration due to gravity 9.81 .....  $\text{m/s}^2$

*Oil Charging*

The pressure will act on the oil surface in the oil vessel and cause the oil to rise in the sight glasses which are installed in a length of e.g. 2 in. pipe, the top of which is connected to the top of the separator which is at pressure  $P_0$ .

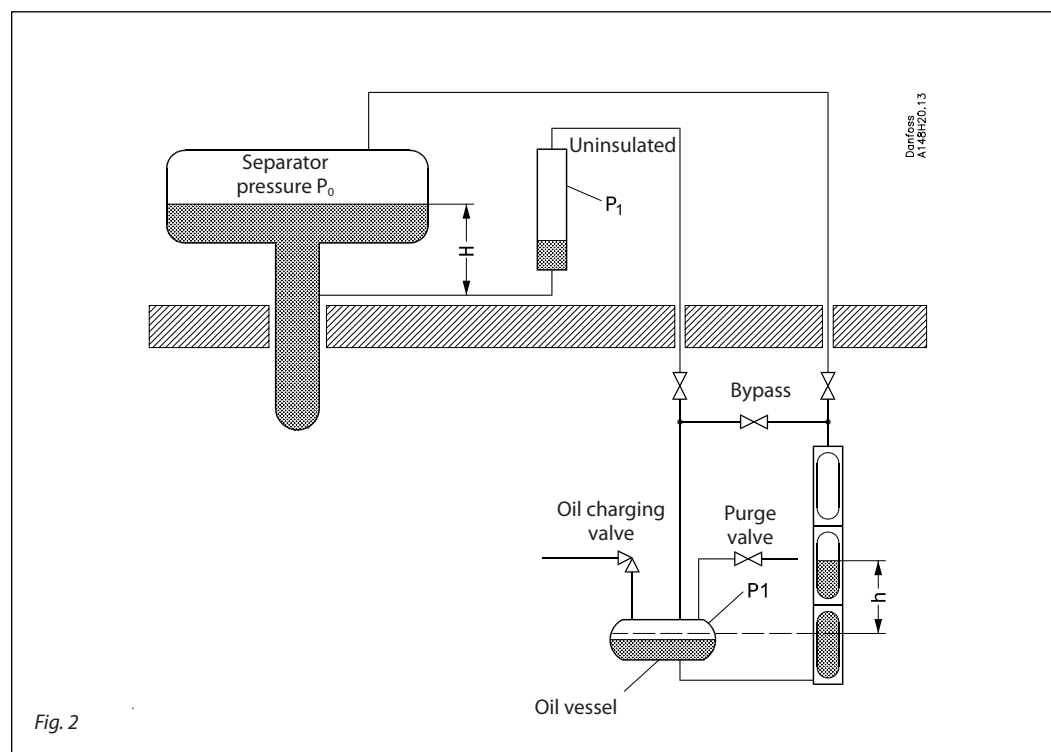
The oil will rise to a level  $h$  and  $H$  can then be calculated by multiplying  $h$  by 1.35 (the ratio of density oil to density R717).

Charge the oil vessel through the oil charging valve to a level of approximately  $\frac{3}{4}$  of full level. The level will show in the lower sight glass.

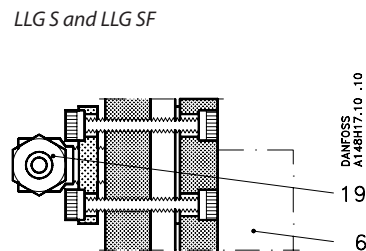
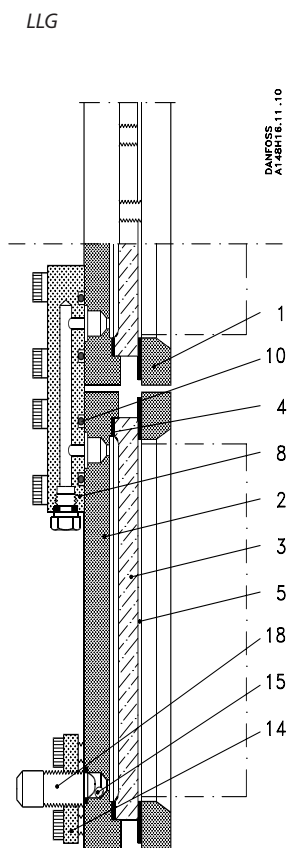
Take care that the volume of the oil vessel is sufficient to allow the oil to rise into the sight glasses. When the system is operating keep the bypass valve closed.

*Note:*

It is important to use an oil not likely to mix with R717, and having a high viscosity index to ensure easy oil movements at low temperatures. Mobil SHC 226 of the synthetic polyalphaolefin type has proven suitable for this purpose.



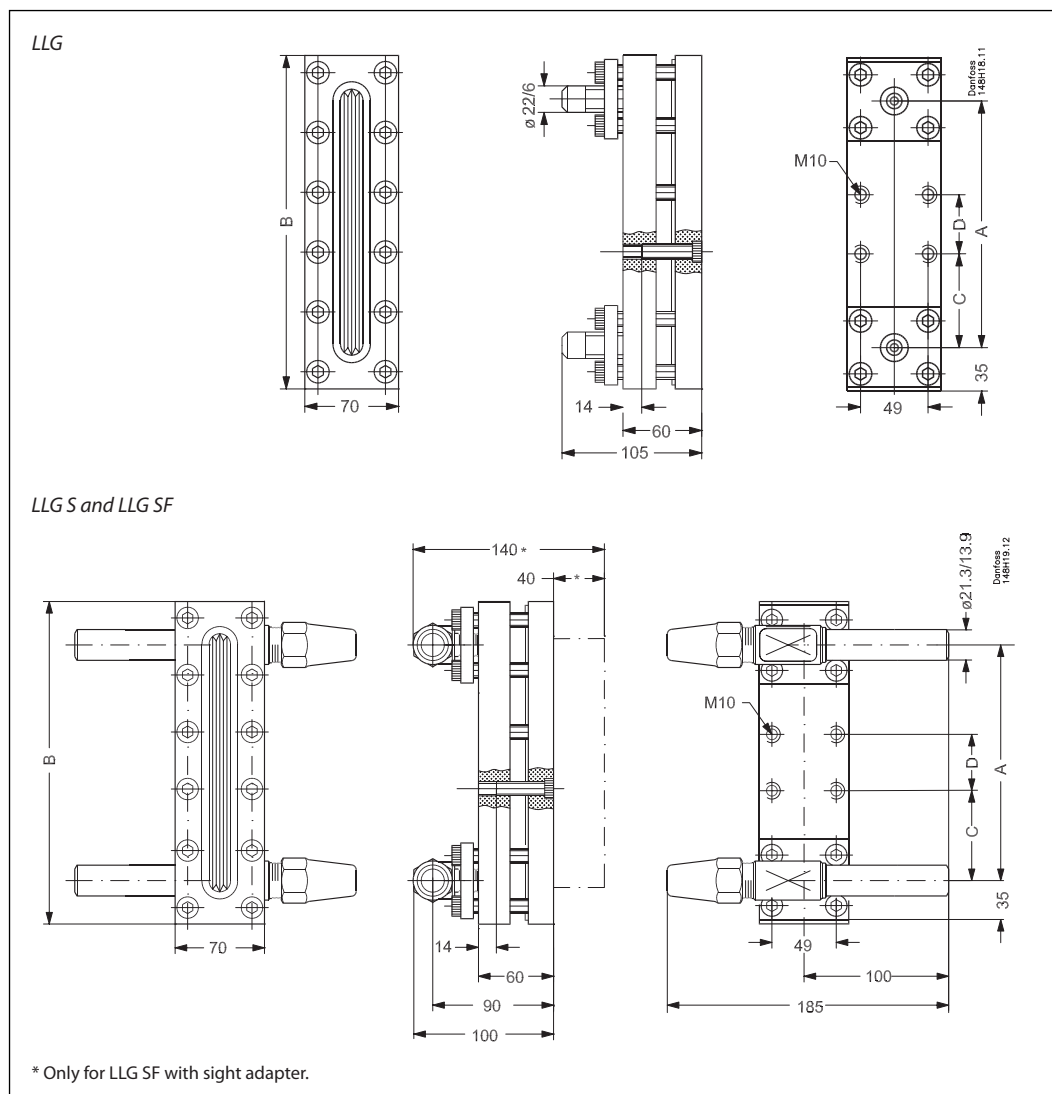
Material specification



No.	Part	Material	DIN	ISO	ASTM
1	Front frame	Steel	RSt. 37.2, 17 100	Fe 360 B, 630	Grade C, A 283
2	Back frame	Steel	RSt. 37.2, 17 100	Fe 360 B, 630	Grade C, A 283
3	Sight glass	Glass			
4	Gasket	Non-asbestos			
5	Protective coating for sight glass	Non-asbestos			
6	Sight adapter	PMMA-acrylic			
8	Connecting piece	Steel	RSt. 37.2, 17 100	Fe 360 B, 630	Grade C, A 283
10	O-ring	Cloroprene (Neoprene)			
14	Flange	Steel	RSt. 37.2, 17 100	Fe 360 B, 630	Grade C, A 283
15	Balls	Stainless steel			
18	Welding nipple	Steel	RSt. 37.2, 17 100	Fe 360 B, 630	Grade C, A 283
19	Stop valve (SNV-ST*)	Steel			

\* See technical data for SNV-ST valves.

Dimensions and weights



Type		A	B	C	D	Weight
<b>LLG 185 - 1550</b>						
LLG 185	mm in.	185 7¼	255 10	69 2¾	48 2	4.2 kg <sup>1)</sup> 5.8 kg <sup>2)</sup>
LLG 335	mm in.	335 13¾	405 16	63 2½	42 1¾	7.5 kg <sup>1)</sup> 9.2 kg <sup>2)</sup>
LLG 590	mm in.	590 23¼	660 26	69 + 63 2¾ + 2½	48 + 42 2 + 1¾	13.2 kg <sup>1)</sup> 15.1 kg <sup>2)</sup>
LLG 740	mm in.	740 29¼	810 32	63 2½	42 1¾	16.5 kg <sup>1)</sup> 18.5 kg <sup>2)</sup>
LLG 995	mm in.	995 39¼	1065 42	69 + 63 2¾ + 2½	48 + 42 2 + 1¾	22.5 kg <sup>1)</sup> 24.7 kg <sup>2)</sup>
LLG 1145	mm in.	1145 45	1215 47¾	63 2½	42 + 42 1¾ + 1¾	25.7 kg <sup>1)</sup> 28.0 kg <sup>2)</sup>
LLG 1550	mm in.	1550 61	1620 63¾	63 2½	42 1¾	33.5 kg <sup>1)</sup> 36.1 kg <sup>2)</sup>

<sup>1)</sup> Type LLG

<sup>2)</sup> Type LLG S and LLG SF

Specified weights are approximate values only.

\* please note that LLG 740 consist of one back piece and 2 front sight glasses.

**Ordering**
*How to order*

The table below is used to identify sight glasses required.

Please note that the type codes only serve to identify the sight glasses, some of which may not form part of the standard product range.

For further information please contact your local Danfoss Sales Company.

*Example for type codes*
**LLG 740 SF**
*Type codes*

Valve type	LLG	Sight glass
Nominal size in mm	<b>185</b>	DN 185
	<b>335</b>	DN 335
	<b>590</b>	DN 590
	<b>740</b>	DN 740
	<b>995</b>	DN 995
	<b>1145</b>	DN 1145
	<b>1550</b>	DN 1550
Equipment	-	Safety system and welding nipples
	<b>F</b>	Safety system and sight adapter
	<b>S</b>	Safety system and stop valves (SNV-ST)
	<b>SF</b>	Safety system, stop valves (SNV-ST) and sight adapter

**Sight glasses - LLG**
*With safety system and welding nipples*

Length		Type	Code no.
mm	in.		
185	7¼	LLG 185	<b>2512+049</b>
335	13¼	LLG 335	<b>2512+050</b>
590	23¼	LLG 590	<b>2512+051</b>
740	29¼	LLG 740	<b>2512+052</b>
995	39¼	LLG 995	<b>2512+053</b>
1145	45	LLG 1145	<b>2512+054</b>
1550	61	LLG 1550	<b>2512+055</b>

**Sight glasses - LLG S**
*With safety system and stop valves (SNV-ST)*

Length		Type	Code no.
mm	in.		
185	7¼	LLG 185 S	<b>2512+056</b>
335	13¼	LLG 335 S	<b>2512+057</b>
590	23¼	LLG 590 S	<b>2512+058</b>
740	29¼	LLG 740 S	<b>2512+059</b>
995	39¼	LLG 995 S	<b>2512+060</b>
1145	45	LLG 1145 S	<b>2512+061</b>
1550	61	LLG 1550 S	<b>2512+062</b>

**Sight glasses for insulating - LLG F**
*With safety system and sight adapter*

Length		Type	Code no.
mm	in.		
185	7¼	LLG 185 F	<b>2512+078</b>
335	13¼	LLG 335 F	<b>2512+079</b>
590	23¼	LLG 590 F	<b>2512+080</b>
740	29¼	LLG 740 F	<b>2512+081</b>
995	39¼	LLG 995 F	<b>2512+082</b>
1145	45	LLG 1145 F	<b>2512+083</b>
1550	61	LLG 1550 F	<b>2512+084</b>

**Sight glasses for insulating - LLG SF**
*With safety system, stop valves (SNV-ST) and sight adapter*

Length		Type	Code no.
mm	in.		
185	7¼	LLG 185 SF	<b>2512+066</b>
335	13¼	LLG 335 SF	<b>2512+067</b>
590	23¼	LLG 590 SF	<b>2512+068</b>
740	29¼	LLG 740 SF	<b>2512+069</b>
995	39¼	LLG 995 SF	<b>2512+070</b>
1145	45	LLG 1145 SF	<b>2512+071</b>
1550	61	LLG 1550 SF	<b>2512+072</b>

**Important!**

Where products need to be certified according to specific certification societies or where higher pressures are required, the relevant information should be included at the time of order.

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