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Measurement technology for refrigeration



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As a family-run business acting globally, with 11,200 highly qualified employees, the WIKA group of companies is a worldwide leader in pressure and temperature measurement. The company also sets the standard in the measurement of level, force and flow, and in calibration technology.

Founded in 1946, WIKA is today a strong and reliable partner for all the requirements of industrial measurement technology, thanks to a broad portfolio of high-precision instruments and comprehensive services.

With manufacturing locations around the globe, WIKA ensures flexibility and the highest delivery performance. Every year, over 50 million quality products, both standard and customer-specific solutions, are delivered in batches of 1 to over 10,000 units.

With numerous wholly owned subsidiaries and partners, WIKA competently and reliably supports its customers worldwide. Our experienced engineers and sales experts are your competent and dependable contacts locally.

WIKA – your partner for refrigeration

The refrigeration cycle, as one of the components of any refrigeration application, is an important lever to optimise the efficiency of the entire system. This is why monitoring and controlling its various physical parameters is so essential.

Cooling occurs by evaporating a liquid refrigerant in an evaporator. The heat required for evaporation is thus extracted from the air to be cooled, which drops in temperature.

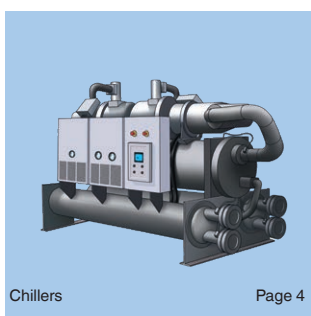
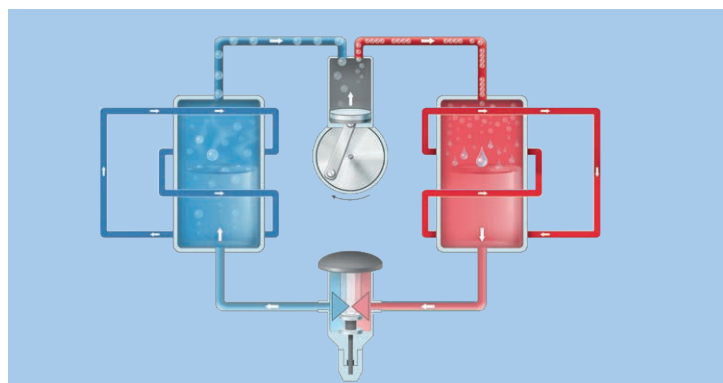
The evaporated refrigerant then leaves the evaporator at a low evaporation pressure and is drawn through a (refrigeration) compressor to a higher pressure (the condensation pressure). At this high condensation pressure, the heat extracted during the cooling process is dissipated through the condenser (water or air-cooled) until the gas condenses into a liquid at the same pressure as the condensation pressure.

This liquid is injected back into the evaporator through an expansion valve. The liquid expands during injection to the lower evaporation pressure after which evaporation (i.e. cooling) begins again. A cooling process is thus a cycle in which a liquid refrigerant alternately expands to a lower pressure, evaporates and then condenses.

Manufacturers of refrigeration systems understand how important it is to be able to rely completely on every single component.

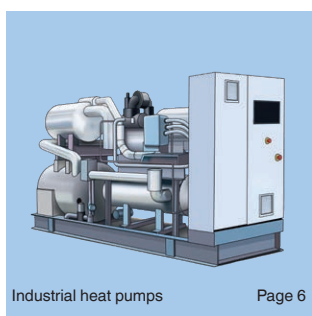
For this reason, WIKA focuses on the reliability and accuracy of the measuring instruments, as well as strong delivery performance. This brochure highlights the most important measuring instruments that WIKA offers for the different modules of a refrigeration system.

So that the system can run properly and efficiently, all the measuring instruments must work accurately and reliably.



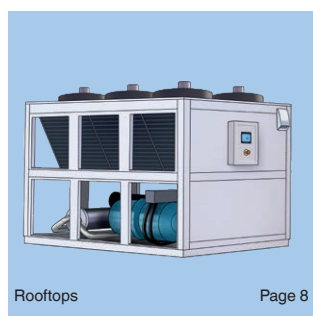
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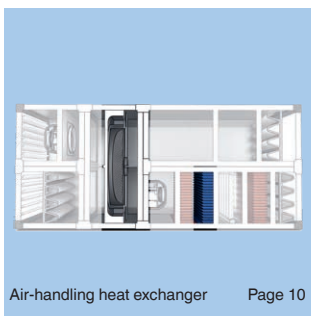
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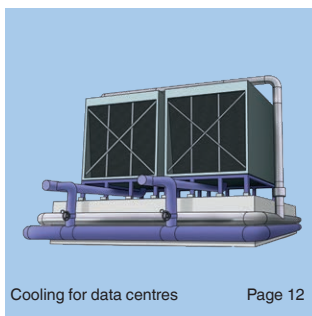
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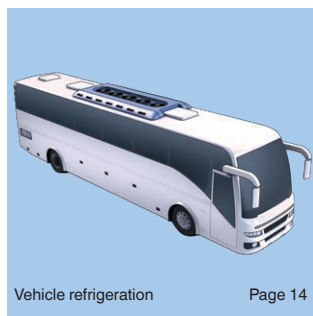
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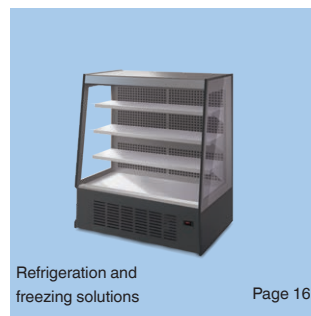
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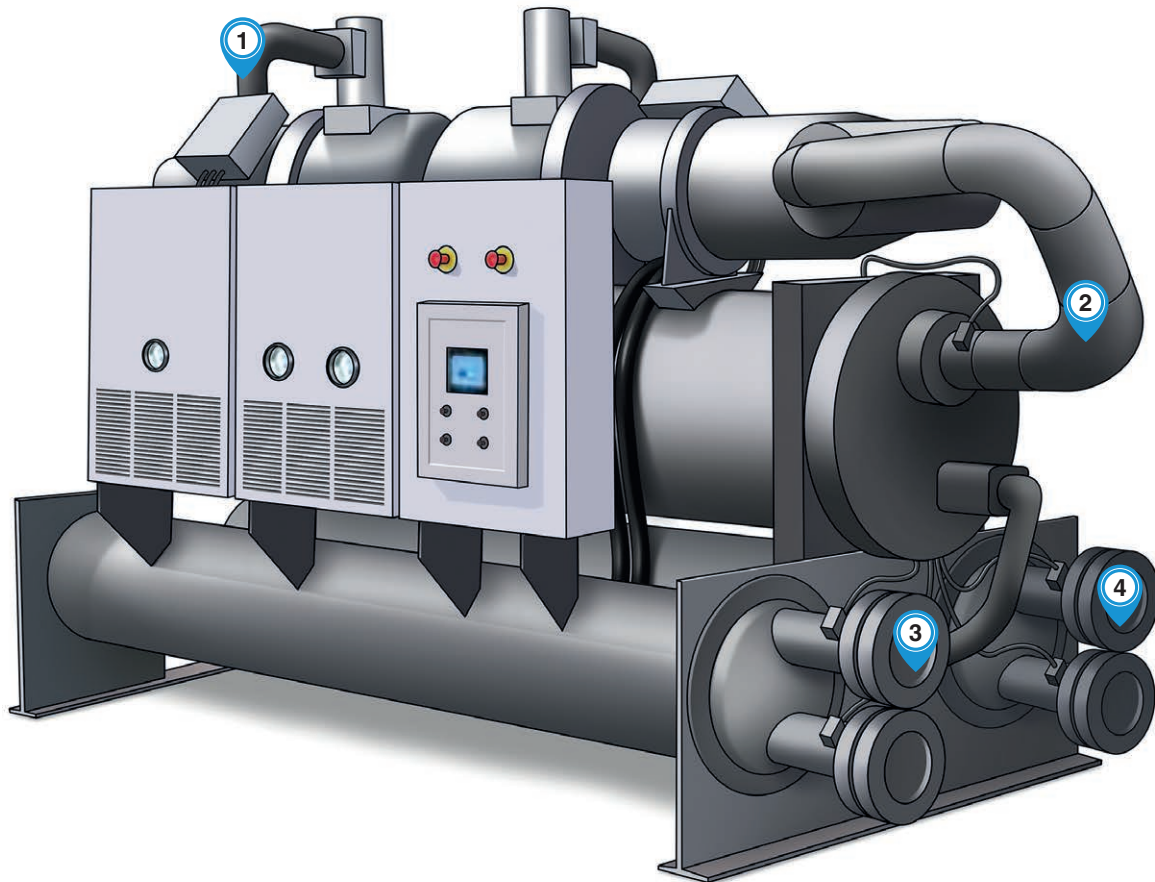
Highest efficiency, smallest possible CO₂ footprint, low sound emissions and low costs – these are just some of the challenges which refrigeration unit manufacturers are faced with.

To achieve this performance, the four basic components of a chiller (compressor, condenser, expansion valve and evaporator) must be matched to each other ideally, and the control system should be designed and fine-tuned for the specific application. Each regulation system is only as good as its individual components.

In the case of measuring instruments, this means that accurate measurement is needed in order to be able to operate the plant efficiently. In addition to their accuracy, instruments should feature additional properties, such as

resistance to weathering, condensation and media, to ensure that a chiller can withstand, for example, 365 days per year on a roof, exposed to the elements.

Not all measuring instruments have a direct influence on the control. The plant itself also requires maintenance at regular intervals in order to provide reliable service for many years. For this, reliable measuring instruments for monitoring the condition of various elements, such as the engine oil, are indispensable tools.



Legend – Measuring locations:

- ① Low-pressure line (suction gas)
- ② High-pressure line (gas)
- ③ High-pressure line (liquid)
- ④ Low-pressure line (liquid)

Temperature



Resistance thermometer

TF35
TF37
TF-2000
TF44
TF45



Dial thermometer

A52
R52
55

Pressure



Bourdon tube pressure gauge

112.28
132.28
213.53
23x.50



Pressure transmitter

R-1

Accessories



Switch

PCA
PSM-690



Syphon

910.15



Valve

IV1x, IV2x

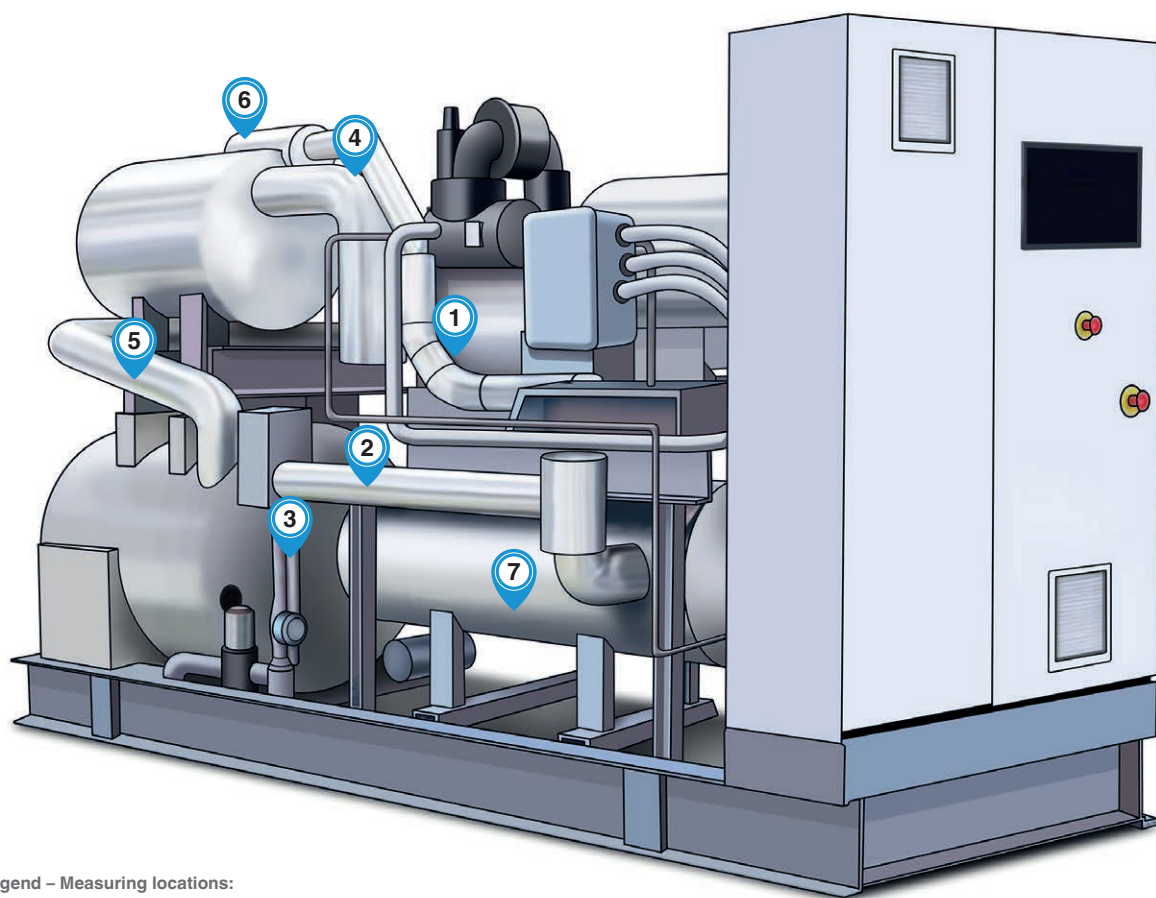
Industrial heat pumps

For cooling applications in commercial and other non-domestic applications, such as schools, sports centres, shops and offices, larger heat pumps are used.

Via of the refrigeration circuit, unwanted heat is removed and thus the process or space is cooled. The heat absorbed by the refrigerant can be transferred to other areas. For example, in production areas where heat is indispensable as part of the production process, such as sterilisation or drying processes. The use of the waste heat, in connection with the use of (non-critical) refrigerants, makes this technology particularly environmentally friendly.

For the control of heat pumps, pressure and temperature measuring instruments are critical.

The measuring systems used ensure efficient operation of the heat pump. As a result, they must be particularly reliable.



Legend – Measuring locations:

- ① Low-pressure line (suction gas)
- ② High-pressure line (gas)
- ③ Heating circuit
- ④ High-pressure line (liquid)
- ⑤ Low-pressure line (liquid)
- ⑥ Evaporator
- ⑦ Compressor

Temperature

①
②
④
⑤



Resistance thermometer

TF35
TF37
TF-2000
TF44
TF45

①
②
④
⑤



Dial thermometer

A52
R52
55

Pressure

①
②
③
④
⑤



Bourdon tube pressure gauge

111.10
112.28
132.28
213.53
23x.50

①
②
④
⑤



Pressure transmitter

R-1

Level

⑥



Optoelectronic level switch

OLS-C04

⑦



Float switch

RLS-1000

Accessories



Switch

PCA
PSM-690



Syphon

910.15



Valve

IV1x, IV2x

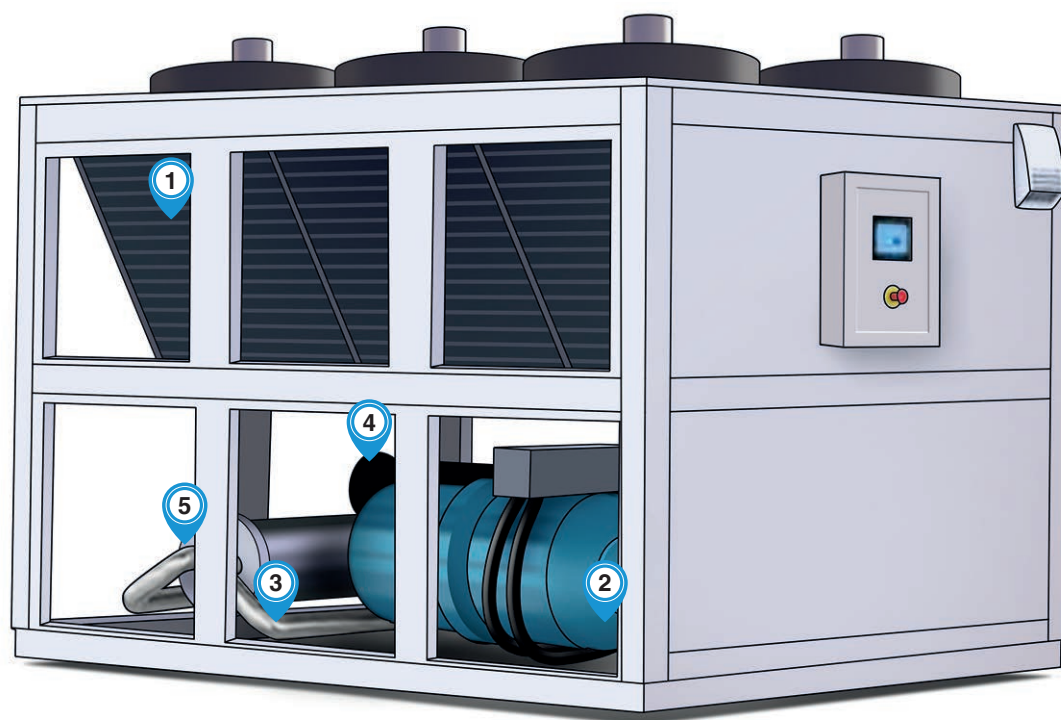
Rooftops

Rooftops provide a pleasant feel-good climate in commercial buildings or production and storage halls. The advantage of such a solution is that the system is installed on the roof and doesn't take up any usable space.

This type of unit can be used either for heating only, cooling only or a combination of both, also in conjunction with a ventilation system.

As these units are installed on the roof of the building, it is important that the equipment and its measuring instruments are able to withstand the ambient conditions.

Air-cooled, roof-mounted systems are extremely energy-efficient. The cooling is based on cooling air through the evaporation of water. The energy required for evaporation is extracted from the air, and this therefore cools the air. Electricity is only required for the operation of the fans which circulate the air.



Legend – Measuring locations:

- ① Ambient air
- ② High-pressure line (gas)
- ③ High-pressure line (liquid)
- ④ Low-pressure line (liquid)
- ⑤ Low-pressure line (gas)

Temperature

①



Outdoor thermometer
TF41

①



Resistance thermometer
TF-2000
TF44
TF45

②

③

④

⑤

Pressure

①

②

③

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⑤



Bourdon tube pressure gauge

112.28

132.28

213.53

232.50

233.50

①

②

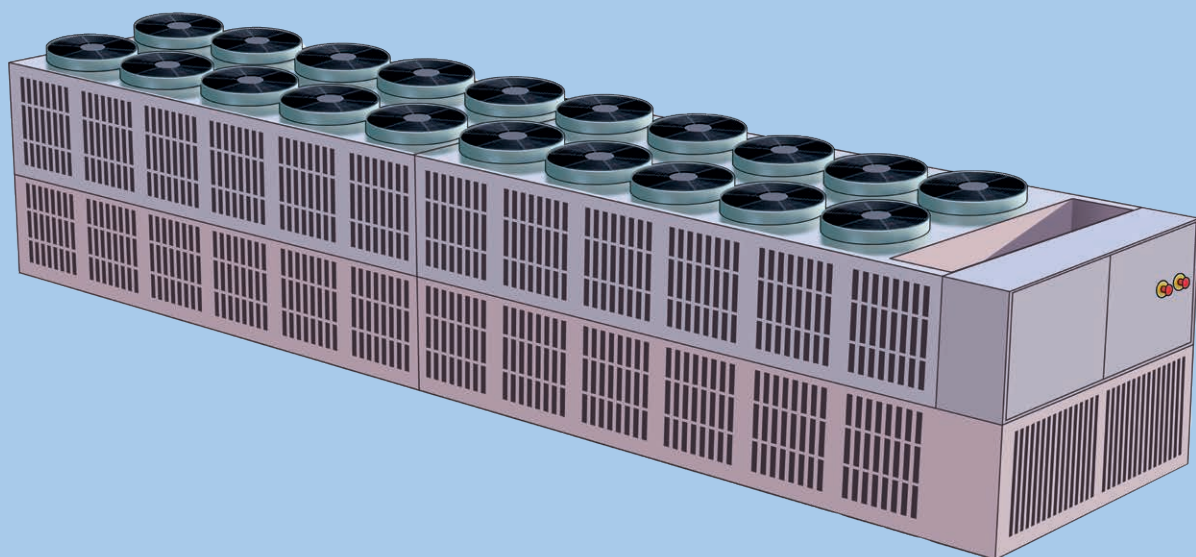
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Pressure transmitter
R-1

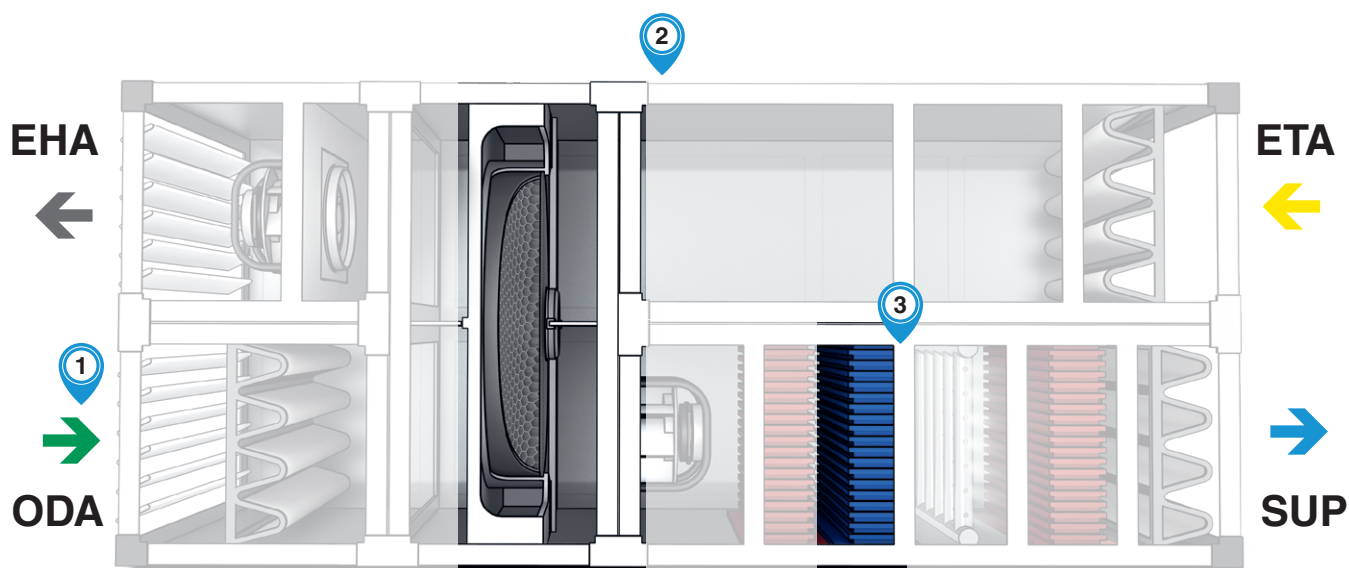


Air-handling heat exchanger

Nowadays, most ventilation and air-conditioning systems are equipped with a heat exchanger, whereby their energy efficiency is significantly improved.

The inlet gas/liquid is usually separated from the outlet gas/liquid to prevent mixing, though some systems allow the media to be in contact with each other.

In the air-handling system the heat exchanger ensures that the heat from the used room air is recovered and returned to the fresh supply air.



Legend – Measuring locations:

- ① Outdoor air (ODA)
- ② Exhaust air (ETA / EHA)
- ③ Supply air (SUP)

Temperature

①



Outdoor thermometer
TF41

②

③



Resistance thermometer
TF40
TF-2000
TF45

②

③



Electronic ventilation duct temperature sensor
A2G-60

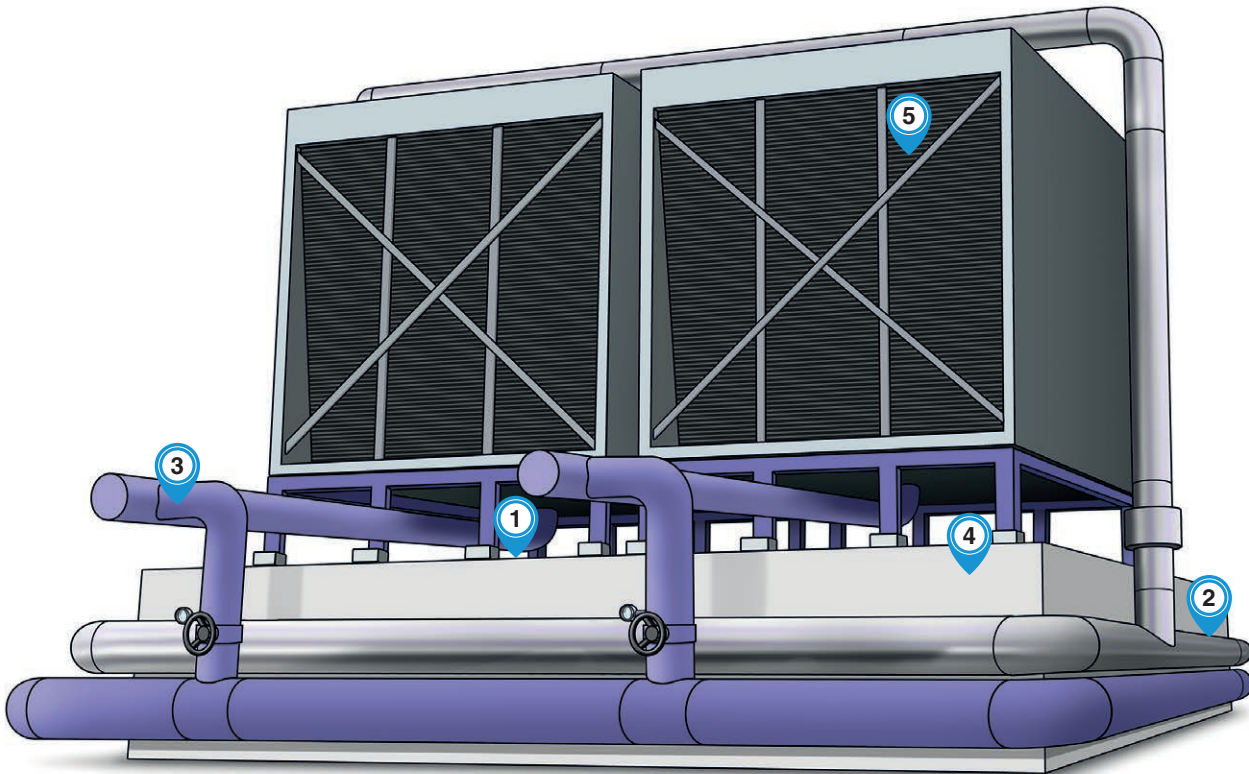
Cooling for data centres

The digital world, both in business and for consumers, runs on data. This data is processed and stored around the world in servers located in data centres. This is where the cloud, e-mails and the internet lives.

All servers generate a lot of heat, meaning the cooling of data centres has to be both reliable and energy-efficient. For the cooling of the data centre's buildings there are separate cooling systems:

Pressure and temperature are monitored throughout all of these systems.

- Air-conditioning unit for server rooms (water/glycol/refrigerant)
- Air conditioner for server rooms (refrigerant/glycol/condensation water)
- Air-cooled and self-contained
- Air duct



Legend – Measuring locations:

- ① Condenser coil temperature
- ② High-pressure line (gas)
- ③ High-pressure line (liquid)
- ④ Evaporator temperature
- ⑤ Outdoor air temperature

Temperature

①
④
⑤



Resistance thermometer

TF-2000
TF44
TF45

⑤



Outdoor thermometer

TF41

Pressure

②
③



Bourdon tube pressure gauge

112.28
132.28
213.53

②
③



Pressure transmitter

R-1

Vehicle refrigeration

In all travel vehicles on roads and rails, healthy air circulation and climate comfort for the well-being of the occupants play an essential role.

Buses and trains are therefore equipped with special cooling systems. With a perfectly thought-out and nested piping system, well-tempered fresh air is supplied to the interior and stale air is removed.

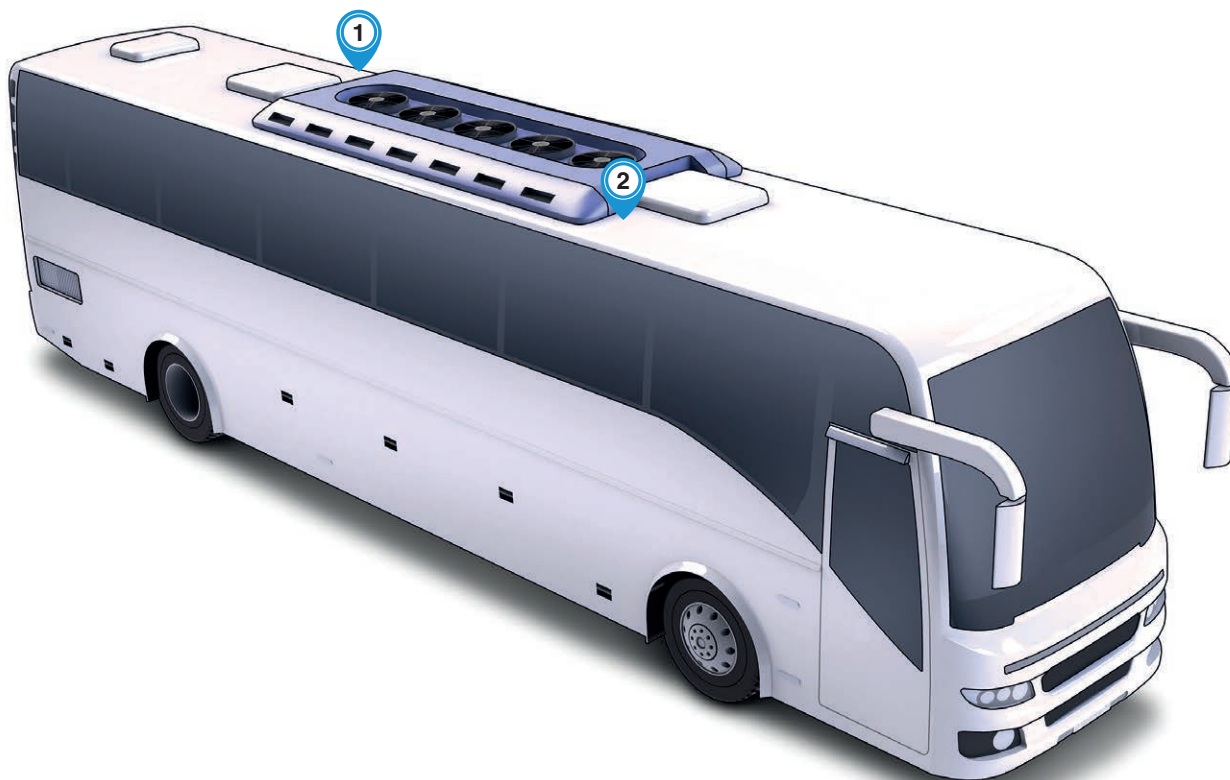
Their air conditioner has a condenser, among other things, an evaporator, a compressor, a fan [heat exchanger] and a nested piping system.

In order to keep the branched systems continuously stable, reliable and precise measuring instruments are indispensable.

Also for the transport of food on trucks, trailers or containers, refrigeration systems are needed to maintain the cooling chain throughout the entire transport until arrival at the consignee's stable.

Reefer containers for worldwide trade and storage of food and non-food products such as medicines or flowers are indispensable.

The cooling of containers and trucks is achieved by a cooling unit in the cargo hold. So that these can keep a constant temperature, their refrigeration circuit is constantly monitored. Pressure and temperature measuring instruments transmit the measured values to the control system, so that it can compensate the changed conditions.



Legend – Measuring locations:

- ① Pressure in compressor, condenser, evaporator
- ② Temperature in compressor, condenser, evaporator
- ③ Readout

Temperature

②



Resistance thermometer
TF-2000
TF44
TF45

③



Digital indicator
DI10

Pressure

①



Bourdon tube pressure gauge
213.53

①



Pressure transmitter
R-1

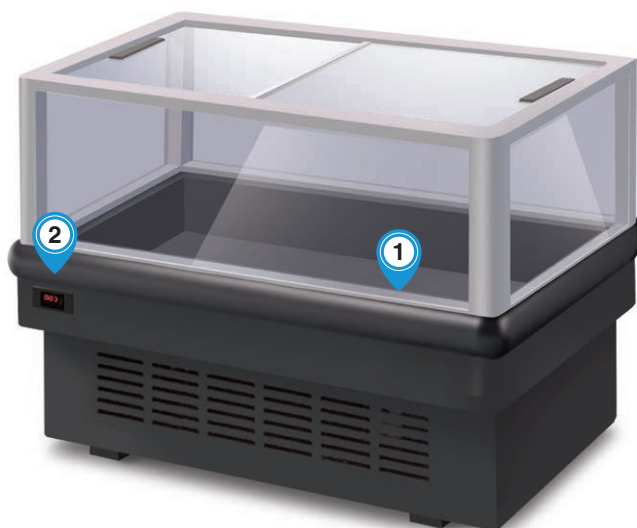
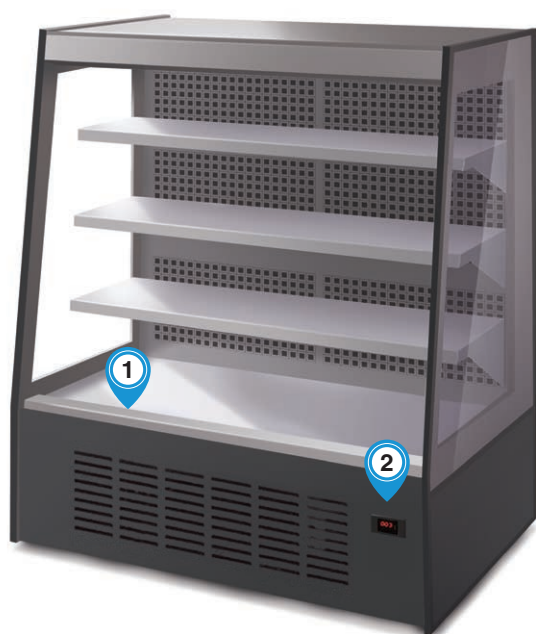


Refrigeration and freezing solutions

In all supermarkets, convenience stores and petrol stations, refrigerated cabinets are available for storage and preservation of perishable foodstuffs. It is important that the cabinets work as efficiently as possible and do not consume too much energy, while keeping the goods at the correct temperature.

These units are equipped with a special cooling system, which requires pressure and temperature measurement to maintain the correct cooling temperature and the proper functioning of the cooling system.

On many cabinets, the temperature of the cooled goods is displayed.



Legend – Measuring locations:

- ① Temperature
- ② Indication / readout
- ③ Pressure

Temperature

①



Resistance thermometer
TF-2000
TF44

②



Expansion thermometer
TF58
TF59

②



Digital indicator
DI10

②



Digital indicator
TF-LCD

Pressure

③



Pressure transmitter
R-1



Ventilation and air-conditioning

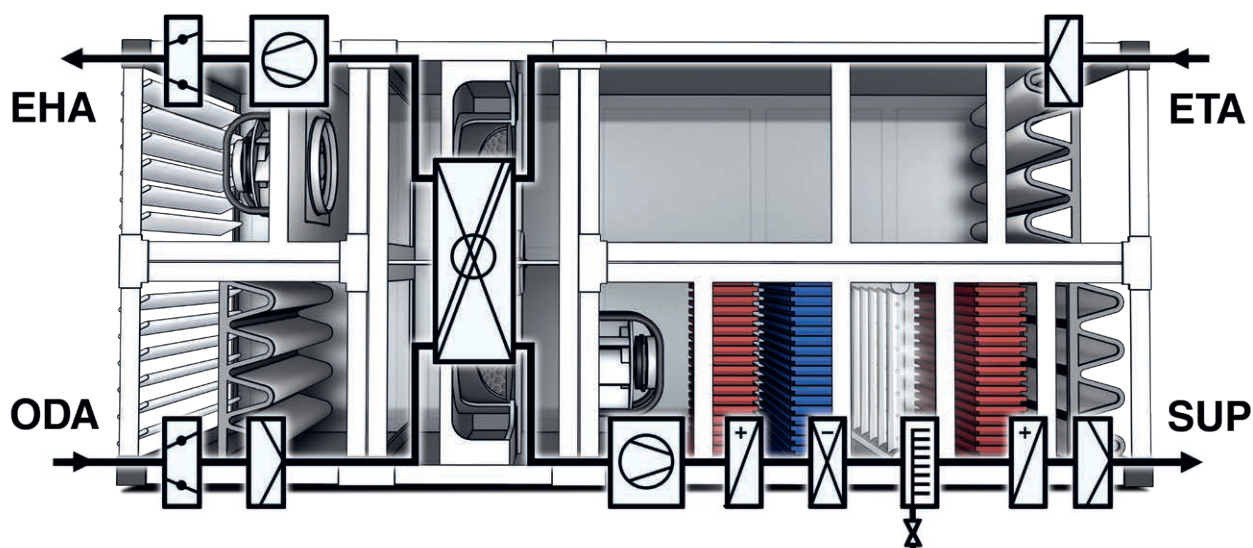
With the product line for ventilation and air-conditioning, WIKA offers a comprehensive range of measuring instruments for central air-handling units and ventilation systems.

Differential pressure measuring instruments, switches and transmitters are used for monitoring filters and ventilators. Air flow meters and air velocity transmitters measure the transported air quantity and its flow velocity in air ducts and air-handling systems.

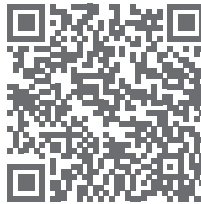
By using frost protection thermostats and temperature sensors, the air-handling system is protected from icing and frost damage.



The brochure “Sensor technology for ventilation and air-conditioning” gives you an overview of the product portfolio available for your application and, in particular, of the high technical specifications of the A2G product family.



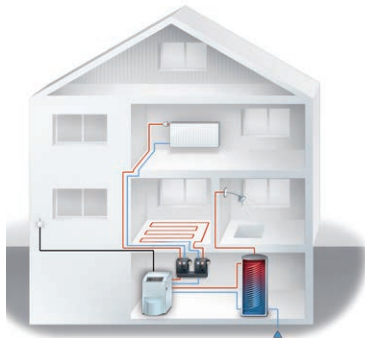
Heating technology



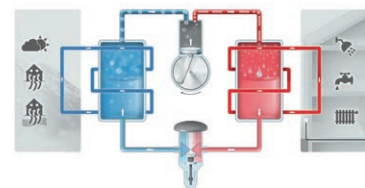
Whether in residential or office accommodation, in private households or public buildings; whether with wood, oil, gas or solar power: Modern heating technology enables you to obtain an efficient and sustained supply of heat and hot water. This conserves resources and the environment.

Wika offers manufacturers and distributors a comprehensive range of pressure, temperature and level measuring instruments tailored to suit a wide range of requirements. With this brochure, you will receive an overview of our products and services for heating technology.

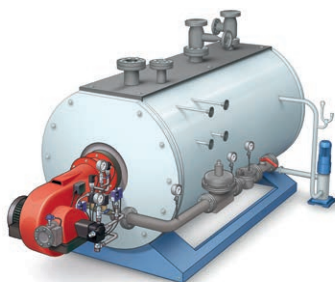
The brochure “Heating technology” shows you the strengths and application areas of our measuring instruments.



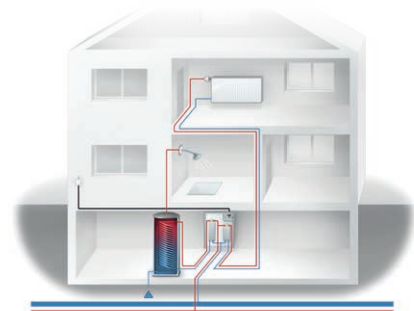
Heating systems



Heat pumps



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