

RMP40 radio machine probe



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Before you begin

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CNC machine tools must always be operated by fully trained personnel in accordance with the manufacturer's instructions.

Care of the probe

Keep system components clean and treat the probe as a precision tool.

Patents

Features of the RMP40, and other similar Renishaw products, are the subject of one or more of the following patents and/or patent applications:

CN 100416216	IN 215787	US 6941671
CN 100466003	IN 234921	US 7285935
CN 101476859	IN 8707/DELNP/2008	US 7316077
CN 101482402	WO 2004/057552	US 7486195
EP 1425550	JP 4237051	US 7665219
EP 1457786	JP 4575781	US 7821420
EP 1477767	JP 4852411	US 9140547
EP 1576560	JP 5238749	
EP 1613921	JP 5390719	
EP 1804020	KR 1001244	
EP 1931936	TW I333052	
EP 2216761		

Intended use

The RMP40 and RMP40M is a radio spindle probe that enables automated workpiece inspection and job set-up on multi-tasking machines and machining centres.

Safety

Information to the user

This product is supplied with non-rechargeable batteries that do not contain lithium. For specific battery operating, safety and disposal guidelines refer to the battery manufacturers' literature.

- Do not attempt to recharge the batteries.
- Replace the batteries only with the specified type.
- Do not mix new and used batteries in the product.
- Do not mix different types or brands of batteries in the product.
- Ensure that all batteries are inserted with the correct polarity in accordance with the instructions in this manual and indicated on the product.
- Do not store the batteries in direct sunlight.
- Do not expose the batteries to water.
- Do not expose the batteries to heat or dispose of batteries in a fire.
- Avoid forced discharge of the batteries.
- Do not short circuit the batteries.
- Do not disassemble, apply excessive pressure, pierce, deform or subject the batteries to impact
- Do not swallow the batteries.
- Keep the batteries out of the reach of children.
- If the batteries are swollen or damaged do not use them in the product and exercise caution when handling them.
- Dispose of waste batteries in accordance with your local environmental and safety laws.

Ensure that you comply with international and national battery transport regulations when transporting batteries or this product with the batteries inserted. To reduce the risk of shipment delays, should you need to return this product to Renishaw for any reason, do not return any batteries.

Information to the machine supplier/installer

It is the machine supplier's responsibility to ensure that the user is made aware of any hazards involved in operation, including those mentioned in Renishaw product literature, and to ensure that adequate guards and safety interlocks are provided.

If the probe fails, the probe signal may falsely indicate a probe seated condition. Do not rely on probe signals to halt the movement of the machine.

Information to the equipment installer

All Renishaw equipment is designed to comply with the relevant EU and FCC regulatory requirements. It is the responsibility of the equipment installer to ensure that the following guidelines are adhered to, in order for the product to function in accordance with these regulations:

- any interface **MUST** be installed in a position away from any potential sources of electrical noise, (for example power transformers, servo drives):
- all 0 V/ground connections should be connected to the machine “star point” (the “star point” is a single point return for all equipment ground and screen cables). This is very important and failure to adhere to this can cause a potential difference between grounds;
- all screens must be connected as outlined in the user instructions;
- cables must not be routed alongside high current sources (for example, motor power supply cables), or be near high-speed data lines;
- cable lengths should always be kept to a minimum.

Equipment operation

If this equipment is used in a manner not specified by the manufacturer, the protection provided by the equipment may be impaired.

RMP40 basics

Introduction

The RMP40 forms part of Renishaw's family of radio transmission probes. It is ideally suited to large machining centres or where line-of-sight between probe and receiver is difficult to achieve or where Z travel is limited.

The RMP40 features an integrated probe module delivering exceptional robustness and generous overtravel.

The RMP40 complies with FCC regulations and operates in the 2.4 GHz band. It delivers interference-free transmission through the use of frequency hopping spread spectrum (FHSS), which allows several systems to operate in the same machine shop without risk of cross-interference.

All RMP40 settings are configured using "Trigger Logic™". This technique enables the user to review and subsequently change probe settings by deflecting the stylus whilst observing the LED display.

Configurable settings are:

- Radio on / Radio off
- Radio on / Timer off
- Spin on / Spin off
- Spin on / Timer off
- Filter on / Filter off
- Multiple probe mode on / Multiple probe mode off.

Getting started

Three multicolour probe LEDs provide visual indication of selected probe settings.

For example:

- Switch-on and switch-off methods
- Probe status – triggered or seated
- Battery condition

Batteries are inserted or removed as shown (for more information, see **page 3.4**, "Installing the batteries").

On insertion of batteries, the LEDs will begin to flash (for more information, see **page 4.1**, "Reviewing the probe settings").

System interface

The RMI and RMI-Q integrated interfaces/receivers are used to communicate between the RMP40 probe and the machine controller.

Trigger Logic

Trigger Logic™ (for more information, see **page 4.1**, “Reviewing the probe settings”) is a method that allows the user to view and select all available mode settings in order to customise a probe to suit a specific application. Trigger Logic is activated by battery insertion and uses a sequence of stylus deflections (triggering) to systematically lead the user through the available choices to allow selection of the required mode options.

A Trigger Logic app is available that simplifies this process with clear, interactive instructions and informative videos and is available for download on the following app stores



or



Current probe settings can also be reviewed by simply removing the batteries for a minimum of 5 seconds, and then replacing them to activate the Trigger Logic review sequence (for more information, see **page 4.1**, “Reviewing the probe settings”).

Probe modes

The RMP40 probe can be in one of three modes:

Standby mode: where the probe is awaiting a switch-on signal.

Operational mode: activated by one of the switch-on methods described on the next page. In this mode the RMP40 is ready for use.

Configuration mode: where Trigger Logic may be used to configure the probe settings.

Configurable settings

Switch-on / switch-off methods

The following switch-on / switch-off options are user-configurable.

- Radio on / Radio off
- Radio on / Timer off
- Spin on / Spin off
- Spin on / Timer off

RMP40 switch-on method Switch-on options are configurable	RMP40 switch-off method Switch-off options are configurable	Switch-on time
<p>Radio on</p> <p>Radio switch on is commanded by machine input.</p>	<p>Radio off</p> <p>Radio switch off is commanded by machine input. A timer automatically switches the probe off 90 minutes after the last trigger or reset if it is not turned off by machine input.</p> <p>Timer off (timeout)</p> <p>Timeout will occur 12, 33 or 134 seconds (user configurable) after the last probe trigger or reset.</p>	<p>1 second maximum</p> <hr/> <p>NOTE: This assumes a good radio communication link. In a poor RF environment this may rise to a maximum of 3 seconds.</p> <hr/>
<p>Spin on</p> <p>Spin at 500 r/min for 1 second minimum (6 seconds maximum).</p>	<p>Spin off</p> <p>Spin at 500 r/min for 1 second minimum (6 seconds maximum). A timer automatically switches the probe off 90 minutes after the last trigger if it is not spun.</p> <p>Timer off (timeout)</p> <p>Timeout will occur 12, 33 or 134 seconds (user configurable) after the last probe trigger or reset.</p>	<p>2 seconds maximum.</p> <hr/> <p>NOTE: The 2 seconds starts from the moment the spindle reaches 500 r/min.</p> <hr/>

NOTE: After being switched on, the RMP40 must be on for 1 second minimum. When using spin on / spin off, ensure that the probe is stationary for 1 second minimum after it has stopped spinning before using spin on.

Enhanced trigger filter

Probes subjected to high levels of vibration or shock loads may output signals without having contacted any surface. The enhanced trigger filter improves the probe's resistance to these effects.

When the filter is enabled, a constant 10 ms delay is introduced to the probe's output.

The RMP40 is factory-set to trigger filter off.

NOTE: It may be necessary to reduce the probe approach speed to allow for the increased stylus overtravel during the extended time delay.

Multiple probe mode

The RMP40 can be configured, using Trigger Logic, to allow multiple radio probes to be used with a single RMI or RMI-Q.

NOTES:

The “**radio on**” switch-on method cannot be used in “**multiple probe mode**”. “**Multiple probe mode**” will not appear as an option if the “**radio on**” option has been selected.

RMP40 probes which are set to “**multiple probe mode on**” can coexist alongside any number of RMP40 probes set to “**multiple probe mode off**”.

To allow multiple radio probes to work in close proximity, and with a single RMI or RMI-Q, 16 choices of “**mode on**” colours are available, each representing a different machine tool installation (for more information, see [page 4.2](#), “Multiple probe mode settings”).

All probes operating with a single RMI or RMI-Q must be set to the same “**mode on**” colour choice; any multiple probes located on adjacent machines must all be set to an alternative “**mode on**” colour choice.

Only one probe per “**mode on**” colour choice needs to be partnered with the RMI or RMI-Q as, by configuring multiple probes to a single “**mode on**” colour choice, all probes using this “**mode on**” colour choice will have the same identity. The probe to be partnered is partnered after selecting the “**multiple probe mode**” setting and choosing the “**mode on**” option. See Section 4, “Trigger Logic”.

There is no limit to the number of probes that can be used with a single RMI or RMI-Q as long as they all have the same “**mode on**” colour choice.

All RMP40 probes are factory-set to “**mode off**”.

The addition of any further probe(s) into a single probe installation will require that all probes are reconfigured to the same “**mode on**” colour choice and that one of the probes is then repartnered with the RMI or RMI-Q.

The addition of any further probe(s), or replacements, into a multi-probe installation can be achieved simply through the reconfiguration of the probe to the same “**mode on**” colour choice.

Acquisition mode

System set-up is achieved using Trigger Logic and powering-on the RMI or RMI-Q, or applying ReniKey. Partnering is only required during initial system set-up. Further partnering will be required if the RMP40, RMI or RMI-Q is changed.

NOTES:

Systems using the RMI-Q can be partnered with up to four RMP40s manually. Alternatively this can be achieved by using ReniKey; a Renishaw machine macro cycle which does not require the RMI-Q to be power cycled.

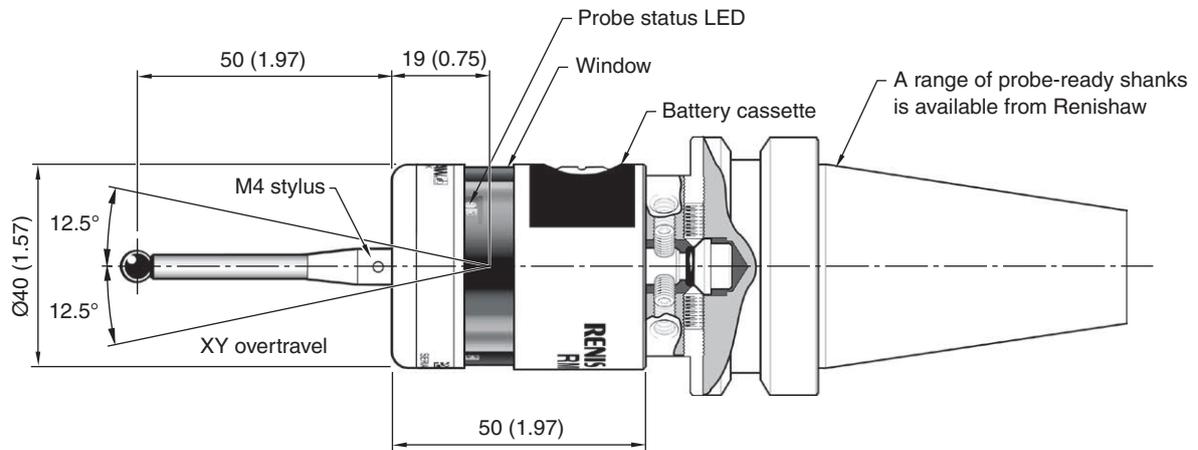
For more information or to download ReniKey free of charge visit:

www.renishaw.com/mtpsupport/renikey

Partnering by ReniKey is not available for RMI.

Partnering will not be lost by reconfiguration of probe settings or when changing batteries, except where “**multiple probe mode**” is selected. Partnering can take place anywhere within the operating envelope.

RMP40 dimensions



Dimensions given in mm (in)

Stylus overtravel limits		
Stylus length	$\pm X/\pm Y$	Z
50 (1.97)	12 (0.47)	6 (0.24)
100 (3.94)	22 (0.87)	6 (0.24)

RMP40 specification

Principal application	Workpiece inspection and job set-up on machining centres and multi-tasking machines	
Dimensions	Length	50 mm (1.97 in)
	Diameter	40 mm (1.57 in)
Weight (without shank)	With batteries	250 g (8.82 oz)
	Without batteries	230 g (8.11 oz)
Transmission type	Frequency hopping spread spectrum (FHSS) radio	
Radio frequency	2400 MHz to 2483.5 MHz	
Switch-on methods	Radio M-code, spin	
Switch-off methods	Radio M-code, spin, timeout	
Spindle speed (maximum)	1000 r/min	
Operating range	Up to 15 m (49.2 ft)	
Receiver/interface	RMI or RMI-Q combined antenna, interface and receiver unit	
Sense directions	Omni-directional $\pm X$, $\pm Y$, $+Z$	
Unidirectional repeatability Maximum 2σ value in any direction	1.00 μm (40 μin) 2σ ¹	
Stylus trigger force ^{2, 3} XY low force XY high force Z	0.50 N, 51 gf (1.80 ozf) 0.90 N, 92 gf (3.24 ozf) 5.85 N, 597 gf (21.04 ozf)	
Stylus overtravel	XY plane	$\pm 12.5^\circ$
	+Z plane	6 mm (0.24 in)
Environment	IP rating	IPX8, BS EN 60529:1992+A2:2013
	IK rating:(RMP40) (typical)	IK01, BS EN 62262:2002+A1:2021 [for glass window]
	IK rating (RMP40M) (typical)	IK02, BS EN 62262:2002+A1:2021 [for glass window]
	Storage temperature	-25 °C to +70 °C (-13 °F to +158 °F)
	Operating temperature	+5 °C to +55 °C (+41 °F to +131 °F)

¹ Performance specification is tested at a standard test velocity of 480 mm/min (18.9 in/min) with a 50 mm stylus. Significantly higher velocity is possible depending on application requirements.

² Trigger force, which is critical in some applications, is the force exerted on the component by the stylus when the probe triggers. The maximum force applied will occur after the trigger point (overtravel). The force value depends on related variables including measuring speed, machine deceleration and latency.

³ These are the factory settings, manual adjustment is not possible.

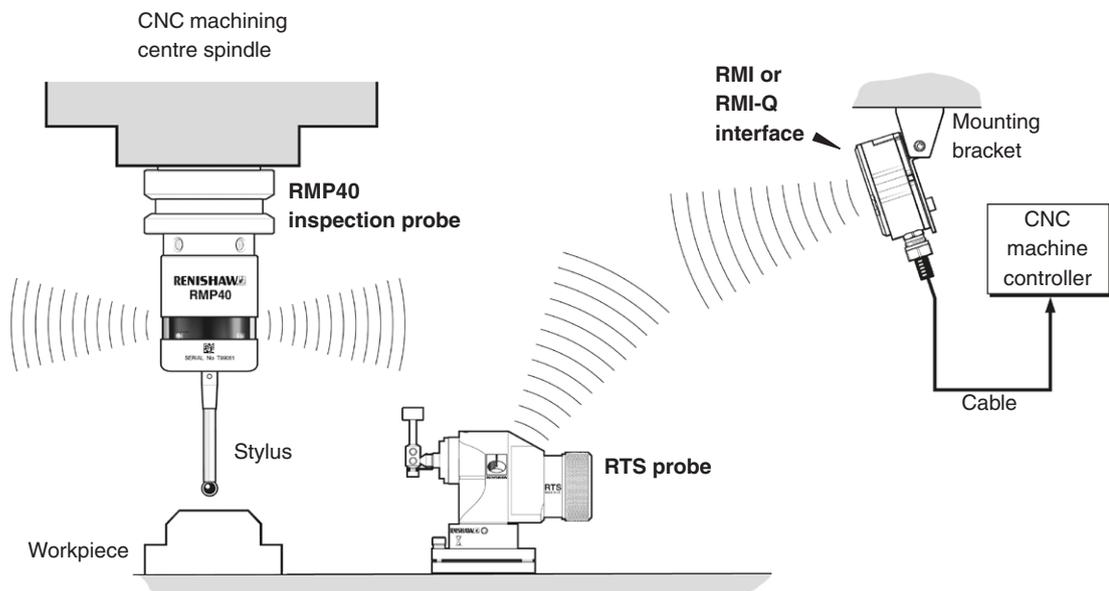
Battery types	2 × ½AA 3.6 V lithium-thionyl chloride (LTC)
Battery reserve life	Approximately one week after a low battery warning is first given (based on 5% usage)
Low battery indication	Blue flashing LED in conjunction with normal red or green probe status LED
Dead battery indication	Constant or flashing red
Typical battery life	See the table below

Typical battery life

Spin switch on		Radio switch on		Continuous use
Standby life	5% usage (72 minutes/day)	Standby life	5% usage (72 minutes/day)	
240 days	150 days	290 days	170 days	450 hours

System installation

Installing the RMP40 with an RMI or RMI-Q



Radio transmission does not require line-of-sight between the probe and transmitter, and will pass through very small gaps and machine tool windows. This allows easy installation, either inside or outside the machine enclosure.

Coolant and swarf residue accumulating on the RMP40 and RMI or RMI-Q may have a detrimental effect on transmission performance. Wipe clean as often as is necessary to maintain unrestricted transmission.

When operating, do not cover the probe glass window, RMI or RMI-Q with your hands, as this will affect the performance.

Positioning the RMP40 and RMI or RMI-Q

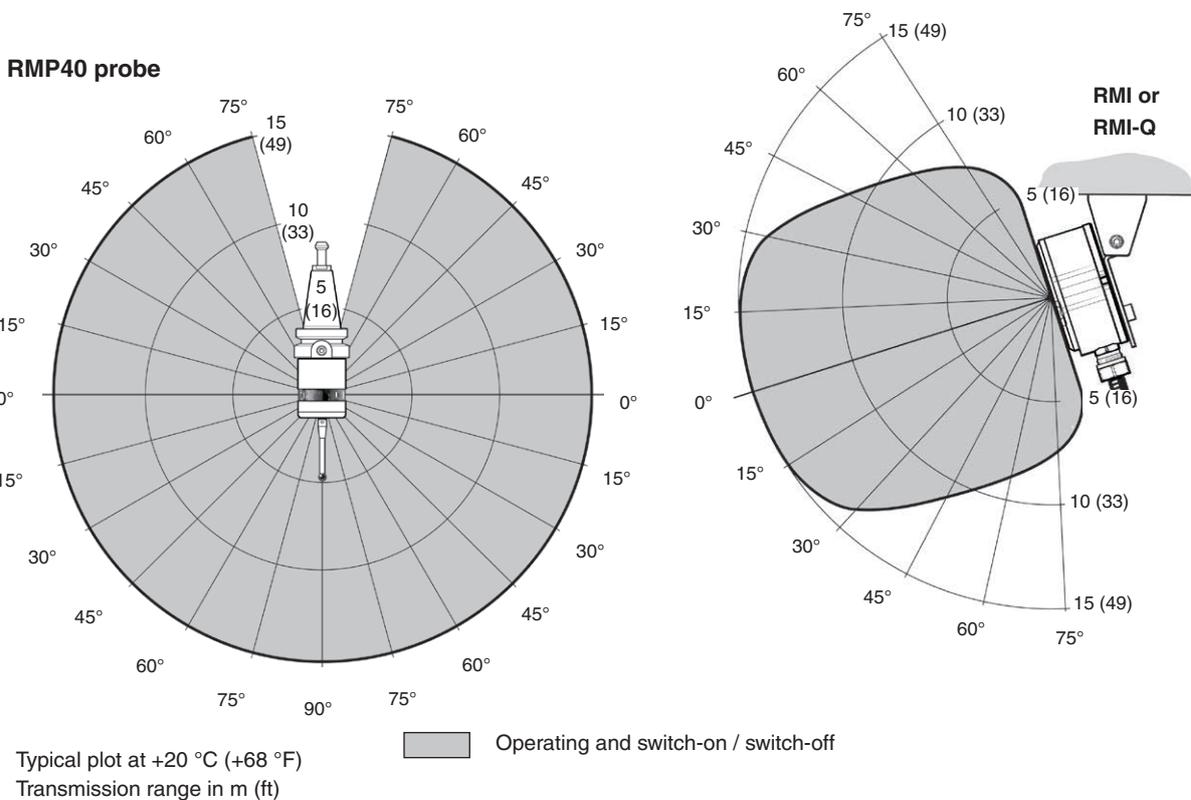
The probe system should be positioned so that the optimum range can be achieved over the full travel of the machine's axes. Always face the front cover of the RMI or RMI-Q in the general direction of the machining area and the tool magazine, ensuring both are within the performance envelope shown below. To assist in finding the optimum position of the RMI or RMI-Q, the signal quality is displayed on an RMI or RMI-Q signal LED.

NOTE: Installing the RMP40 and RMI or RMI-Q with the RMP40 in “radio-on” configuration

The RMP40 has a built-in “**hibernation mode**” (battery-saving mode) that saves battery life when the RMI or RMI-Q is unpowered in “**radio-on**” (radio-off or timer-off) configurations. The RMP40 goes into “**hibernation mode**” 30 seconds after the RMI-Q is unpowered (or the RMP40 is out of range). When in “**hibernation mode**”, the RMP40 checks for a powered RMI or RMI-Q every 30 seconds. If found, the RMP40 goes from “**hibernation mode**” to “**standby mode**”, ready for “**radio-on**”.

Performance envelope

The RMP40 and RMI or RMI-Q must be within each other's performance envelope, as shown below. The performance envelope shows line-of sight performance, however, radio transmission does not require this, as any reflected radio paths will be less than the 15 m (49.2 ft) operating range.



Preparing the RMP40 for use

Fitting the stylus

1



2



Installing the batteries

NOTES:

See **Section 5**, “Maintenance”, for a list of suitable battery types.

If dead batteries are inadvertently inserted, the LEDs will remain a constant red.

Do not allow coolant or debris to enter the battery compartment. When inserting batteries, check that the battery polarity is correct.

After the batteries have been inserted, the LEDs will display the current probe settings, (for more information, see **page 4.1**, “Reviewing the probe settings”).



Mounting the probe on a shank



Stylus on-centre adjustment

NOTES:

If a probe and shank assembly is dropped, it must be rechecked for correct on-centre adjustment.

Do not hit or tap the probe to achieve on-centre adjustment.



Calibrating the RMP40

Why calibrate a probe?

A spindle probe is just one component of the measurement system which communicates with the machine tool. Each part of the system can introduce a constant difference between the position that the stylus touches and the position that is reported to the machine. If the probe is not calibrated, this difference will appear as an inaccuracy in the measurement. Calibration of the probe allows the probing software to compensate for this difference.

During normal use, the difference between the touch position and the reported position does not change, but it is important that the probe is calibrated in the following circumstances:

- when a probe system is to be used for the first time;
- when a new stylus is fitted to the probe;
- when it is suspected that the stylus has become distorted or that the probe has been crashed;
- at regular intervals to compensate for mechanical changes of your machine tool;
- if repeatability of relocation of the probe shank is poor. In this case, the probe may need to be recalibrated each time it is selected.

It is good practice to set the tip of the stylus on-centre, because this reduces the effect of any variation in spindle and tool orientation (see **page 3.6**, “Stylus on-centre adjustment”, for further information). A small amount of run-out is acceptable, and can be compensated for as part of the normal calibration process.

Three different operations are to be used when calibrating a probe. They are:

- calibrating either in a bored hole or on a turned diameter of known position;
- calibrating either in a ring gauge or on a datum sphere;
- calibrating the probe length.

Calibrating in a bored hole or on a turned diameter

Calibrating a probe, either in a bored hole or on a turned diameter of known size, automatically stores values for the offset of the stylus ball to the spindle centre line. The stored values are then used automatically in the measuring cycles. Measured values are compensated by these values so that they are relative to the true spindle centre line.

Calibrating in a ring gauge or on a datum sphere

Calibrating a probe either in a ring gauge or on a datum sphere with a known diameter automatically stores one or more value for the radius of the stylus ball. The stored values are then used automatically by the measuring cycles to give the true size of the feature. The values are also used to give true positions of single surface features.

NOTE: The stored radius values are based on the true electronic trigger points. These values are different from the physical sizes.

Calibrating the probe length

Calibrating a probe on a known reference surface determines the length of the probe, based on the electronic trigger point. The stored value for length is different from the physical length of the probe assembly. Additionally, the operation can automatically compensate for machine and fixture height errors by adjusting the probe length value that is stored.

Probe settings record

This page is provided to note your probe's settings.

			✓ tick	
			Factory settings	New settings
Switch-on method	Radio on		✓	
	Spin on			
Switch-off method	Radio or spin		✓	
	Short timeout (12 s)			
	Medium timeout (33 s)			
	Long timeout (134 s)			
Enhanced trigger filter	Trigger filter off (0 ms)		✓	
	Trigger filter on (10 ms)			
Multiple probe mode	Off (factory set)		✓	
	On (machine number)	See “Multiple probe settings”		

RMP40 serial no

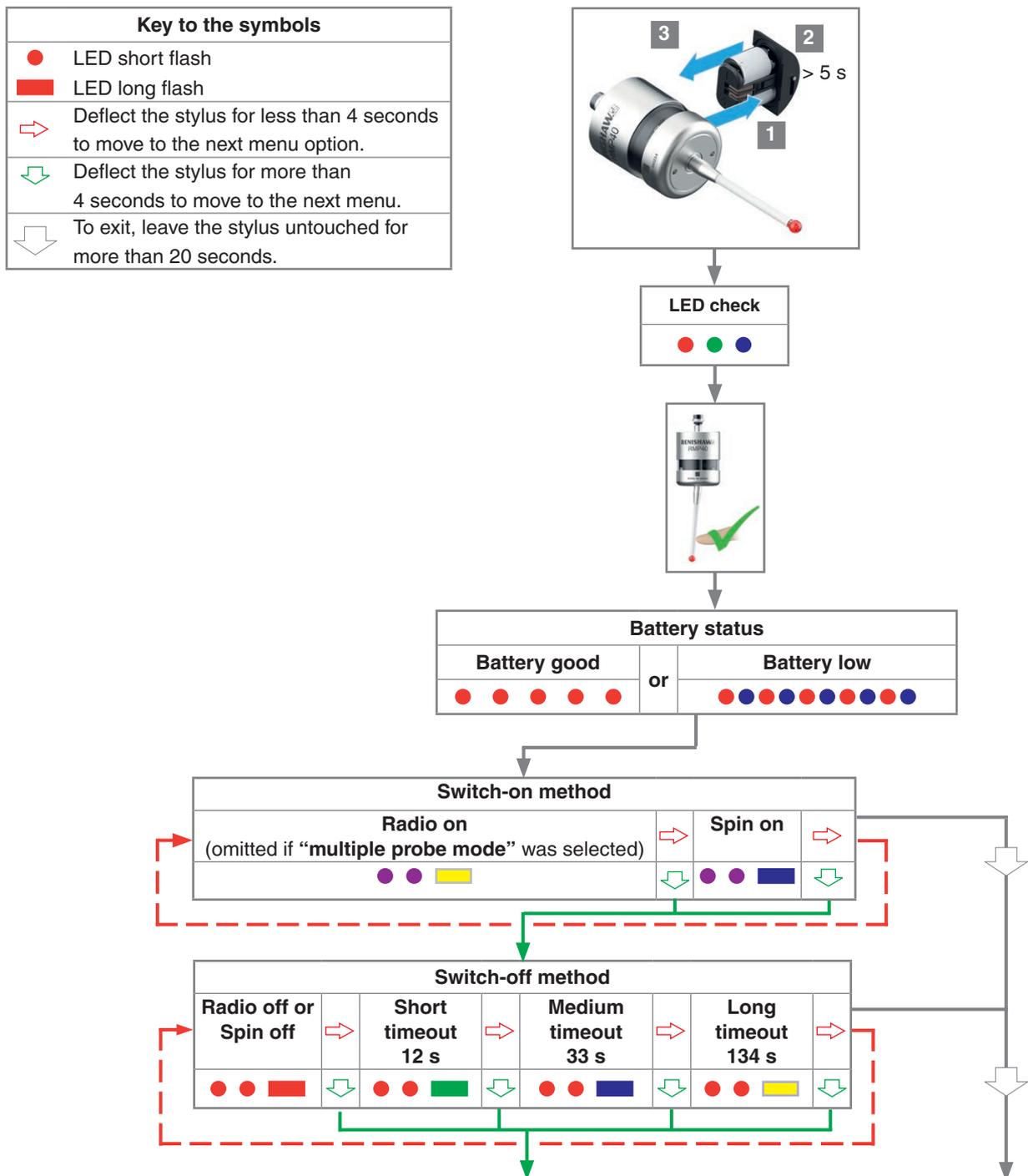
Changing the probe settings

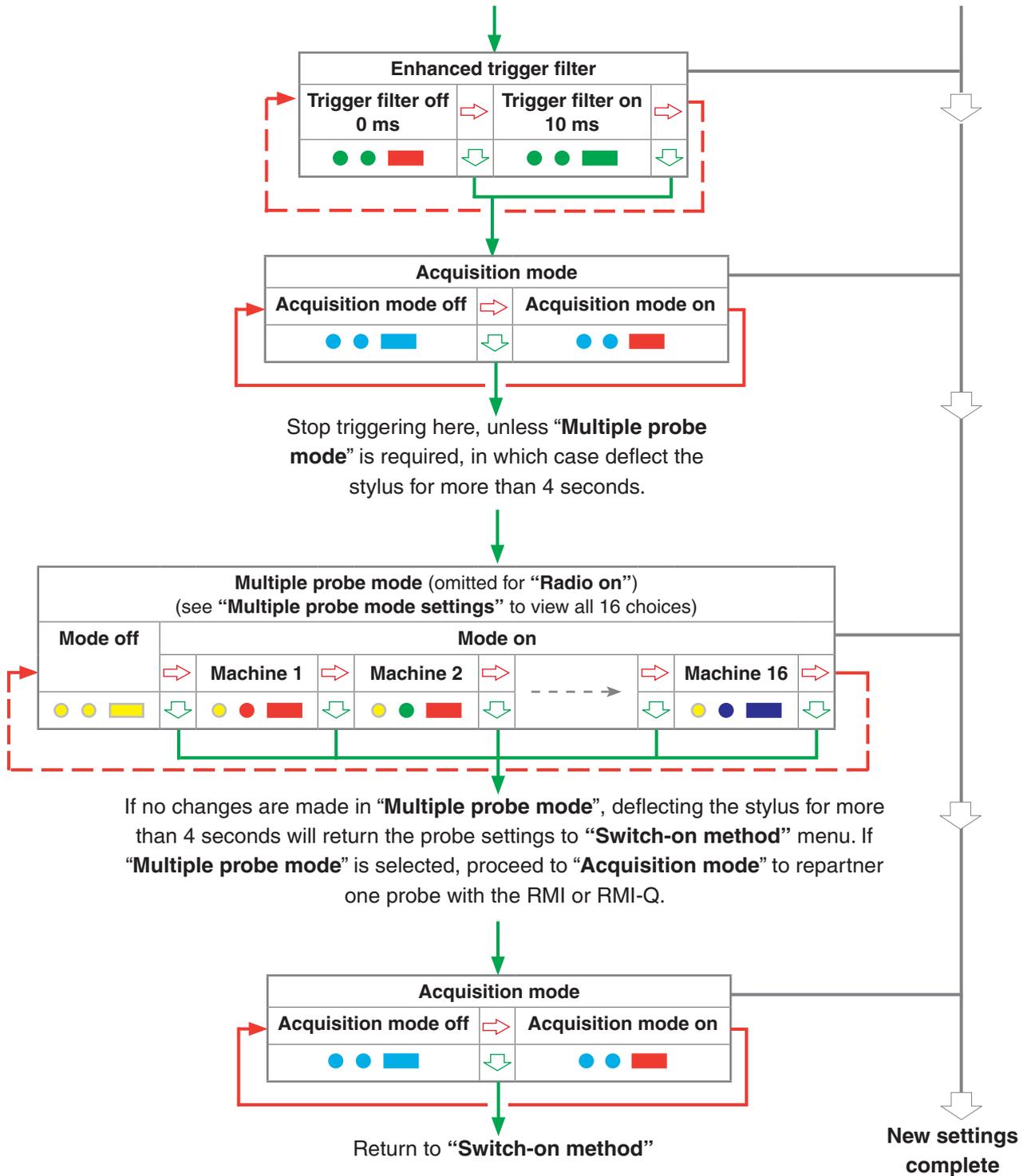
Insert the batteries or, if they have already been installed, remove them for five seconds and then refit them.

Following the LED check, immediately deflect the stylus and hold it deflected until five red flashes have been observed (if the battery power is low, each red flash will be followed by a blue flash).

Keep the stylus deflected until the “**Switch-on method**” setting is displayed, then release it. The probe is now in configuration mode and Trigger Logic is activated.

CAUTION: Do not remove the batteries whilst in configuration mode. To exit, leave the stylus untouched for more than 20 seconds





NOTES:

If using **“Multiple probe mode”**, refer to the *RMI radio machine interface* installation guide (Renishaw part no. H-4113-8554) or the *RMI-Q radio machine interface* installation guide (Renishaw part no. H-5687-8504).

Further probes used require the same **“Multiple probe mode”** setting, but do not need to be partnered with the RMI or RMI-Q.

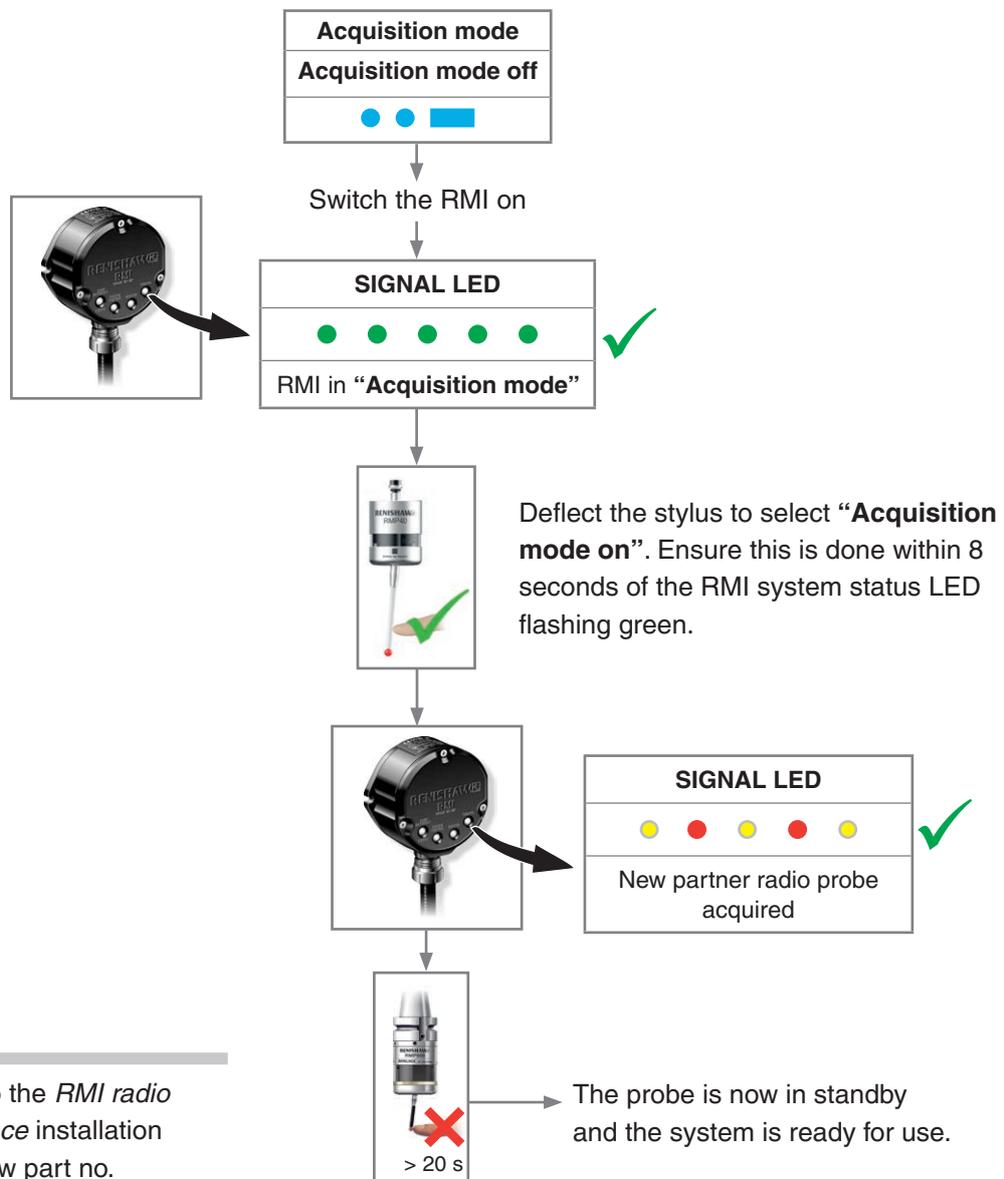
To partner an RMP40 with an RMI see **page 4.6**, **“RMP40 – RMI partnership”**, or with an RMI-Q see **page 4.7**, **“RMP40 – RMI-Q partnership”**, for further information. Once acquisition has been successful, the RMP40 will revert to **“Acquisition mode off”**.

RMP40 – RMI partnership

System set-up is achieved using Trigger Logic and powering the RMI. Partnering is only required during initial system set-up. Further partnering will be required if either the RMP40 or RMI is changed, or if a system is reconfigured for multiple probes (“**multiple probe mode**”).

Partnering will not be lost by reconfiguring the probe settings or when changing batteries, except where “**multiple probe mode**” is selected. Partnering can take place anywhere within the operating envelope.

In configuration mode, configure the probe settings as required until you reach the “**Acquisition mode**” menu, which defaults to “**Acquisition mode off**”.



NOTE: Refer to the *RMI radio machine interface* installation guide (Renishaw part no. H-4113-8554) when partnering the RMP40.

RMP40 – RMI-Q partnership

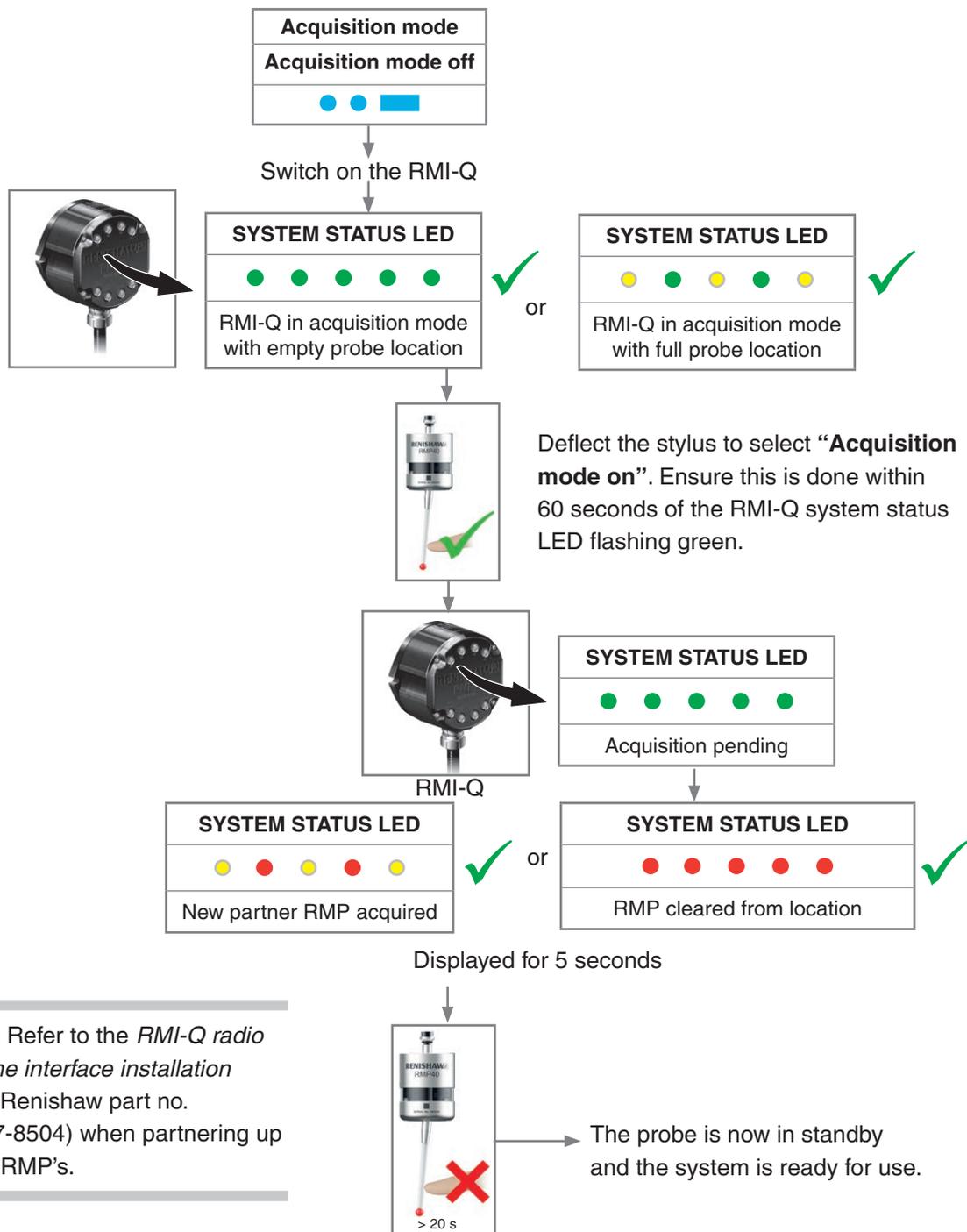
System set-up is achieved by using Trigger Logic™ and powering on the RMI-Q. Alternatively, partnering to a RMI-Q can be achieved by using ReniKey; a Renishaw machine macro cycle which does not require the RMI-Q to be power cycled.

Partnering is required during initial system set-up. Further partnering will be required if either the RMP40 or RMI-Q is changed.

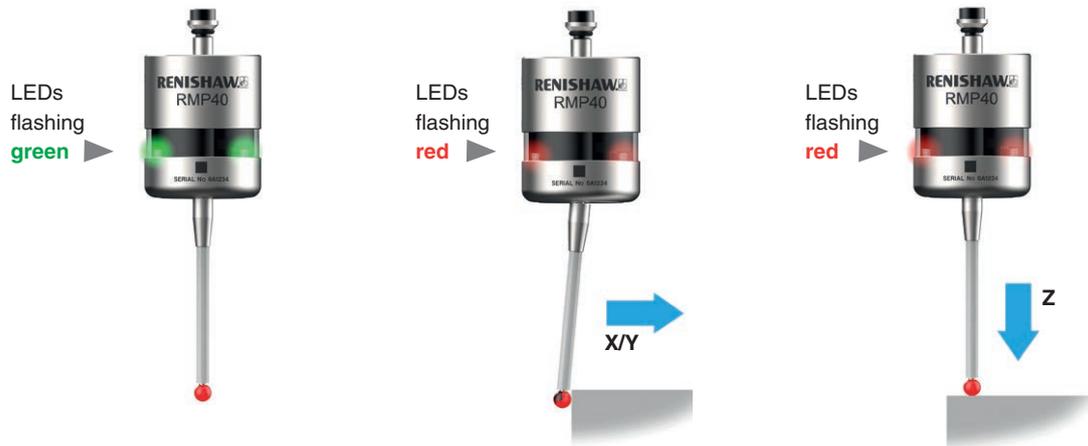
Partnering will not be lost by reconfiguring the probe settings or changing the batteries. Partnering can take place anywhere within the operating envelope.

RMP40 should be operated with only one partnered RMI-Q being active (powered).

In configuration mode, configure the probe settings as required until you reach the “**Acquisition mode**” menu, which defaults to “**Acquisition mode off**”.



Operating mode



Probe status LEDs

LED colour	Probe status	Graphic hint
Flashing green	Probe seated in operating mode	● ● ●
Flashing red	Probe triggered in operating mode	● ● ●
Flashing green and blue	Probe seated in operating mode – low battery	● ● ● ● ● ●
Flashing red and blue	Probe triggered in operating mode – low battery	● ● ● ● ● ●
Constant red	Battery dead	▬
Flashing red or Flashing red and green or Sequence when batteries are inserted	Unsuitable battery	● ● ● ● ● ● ● ● ● ● ● ● ● ● ● ● ● ●

NOTE: Due to the nature of lithium-thionyl chloride batteries, if a “low battery” LED warning is ignored, it is possible for the following sequence of events to occur:

1. When the probe is active, the batteries discharge until battery power becomes too low for the probe to operate correctly.
2. The probe stops functioning, but then reactivates as the batteries recover sufficiently to provide the probe with power.
3. The probe begins to run through the LED review sequence (see **page 4.1**, “Reviewing the probe settings”, for further information).
4. Again, the batteries discharge and the probe ceases to function.
5. Again, the batteries recover sufficiently to provide the probe with power, and the sequence repeats itself.

Maintenance

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Maintenance

You may undertake the maintenance routines described in these instructions.

Further dismantling and repair of Renishaw equipment is a highly specialised operation, which must be carried out at an authorised Renishaw Service Centre.

Equipment requiring repair, overhaul or attention under warranty should be returned to your supplier.

Cleaning the probe

Wipe the window of the probe with a clean cloth to remove machining residue. This should be done on a regular basis to maintain optimum transmission.

CAUTION: The RMP40 has a glass window. Handle with care if broken to avoid injury.



Changing the batteries

CAUTIONS:

Do not leave dead batteries in the probe.

When changing batteries, do not allow coolant or debris to enter the battery compartment.

When changing batteries, check that the battery polarity is correct.

Take care to avoid damaging the battery cassette gasket.

Only use specified batteries.

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CAUTION: Dispose of dead batteries in accordance with local regulations. Never dispose of batteries in a fire.

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NOTES:

After removing the old batteries, wait more than 5 seconds before inserting the new batteries.

Do not mix new and used batteries or battery types, as this will result in reduced life and damage to the batteries.

Always ensure that the cassette gasket and mating surfaces are clean and free from dirt before reassembly.

If dead batteries are inadvertently inserted, the LEDs will remain a constant red.

Battery type					
½ AA lithium-thionyl chloride (3.6 V) × 2					
✓	Saft:	LS 14250	✗	Dubilier:	SB-AA02
	Tadiran:	SL-750		Maxell:	ER3S
	Xeno:	XL-050F		Sanyo	CR 14250SE
				Tadiran:	SL-350, SL-550, TL-4902, TL-5902, TL-2150, TL-5101
				Varta:	CR ½AA

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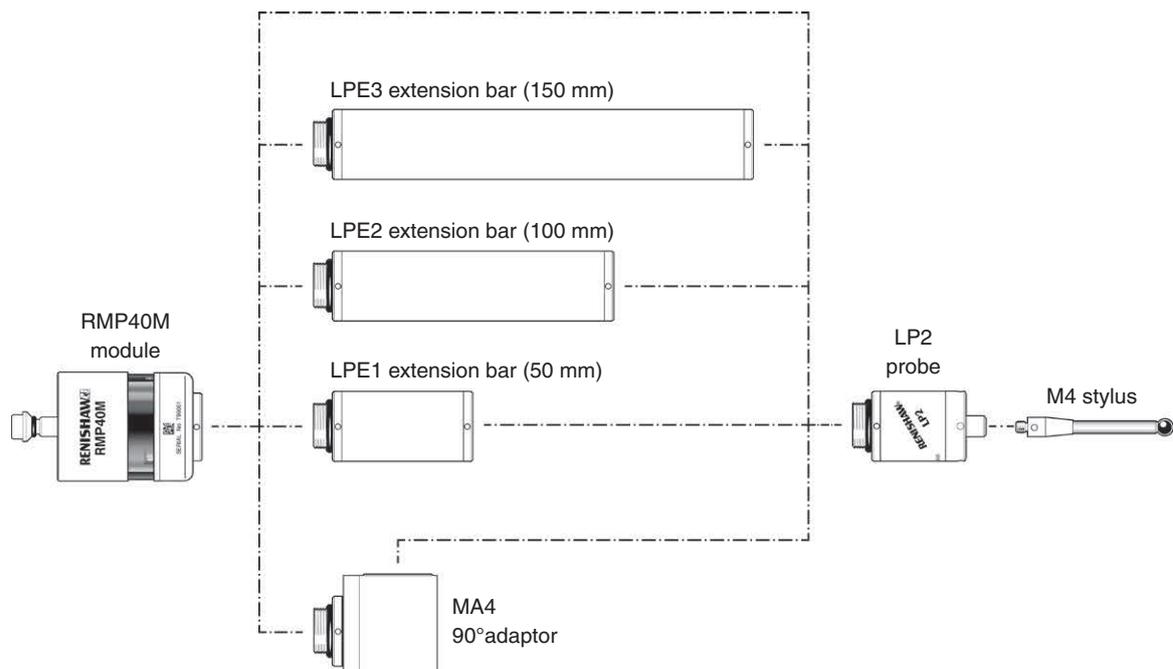
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RMP40M system

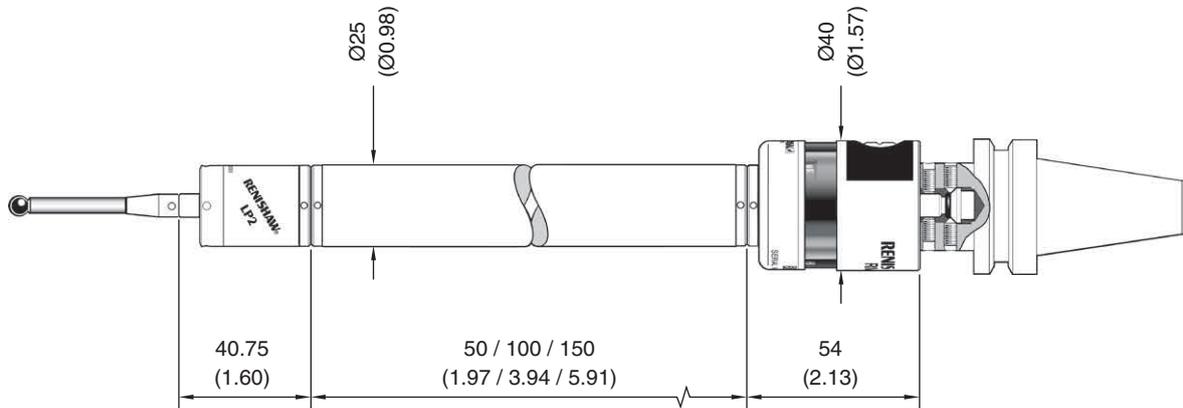
RMP40M system

RMP40M is a special modular version of RMP40. It enables probe inspection of part features inaccessible to RMP40, by fitting selected adaptors and extensions as shown below.

See **Section 8**, “Parts list”.

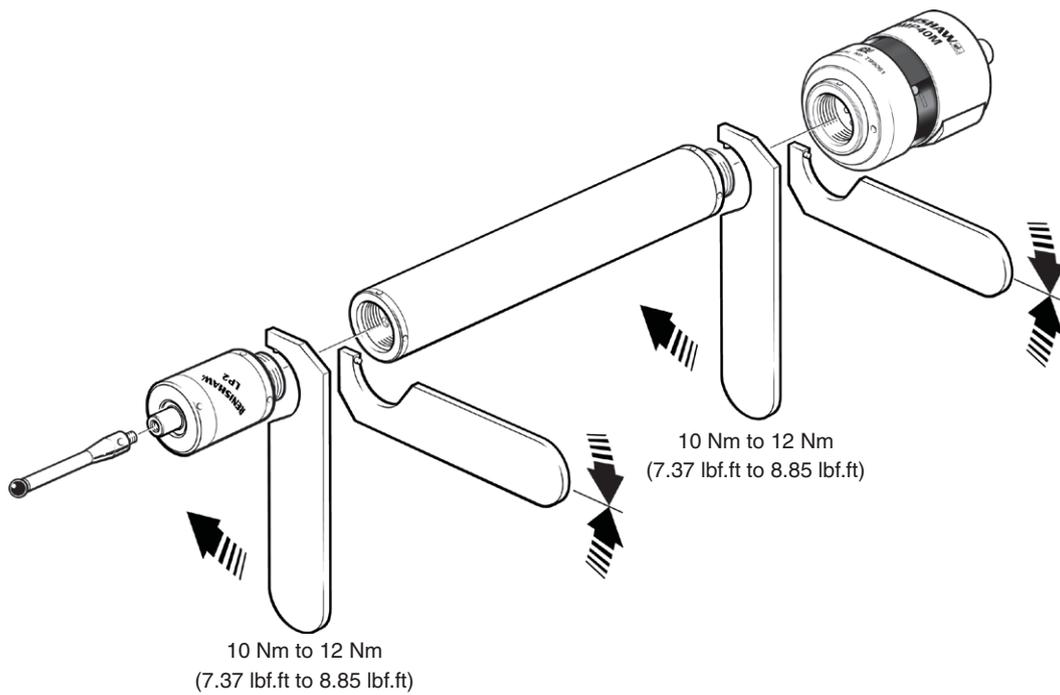


RMP40M dimensions



Dimensions given in mm (in)

RMP40M screw torque values



Fault-finding

Symptom	Cause	Action
The probe fails to power up (no LEDs illuminated or fails to indicate current probe settings).	Dead batteries.	Change batteries.
	Unsuitable batteries.	Fit suitable batteries.
	Batteries inserted incorrectly.	Check battery insertion/polarity.
	Batteries removed for too short a time and probe has not reset.	Remove batteries for a minimum of 5 seconds.
	Poor connection between battery cassette mating surfaces and contacts.	Remove any dirt and clean the contacts before reassembly.
The probe fails to switch on.	Dead batteries.	Change batteries.
	Batteries inserted incorrectly.	Check battery insertion/polarity.
	Probe out of range.	Check position of RMI or RMI-Q, see operating envelope.
	No RMI or RMI-Q “start/stop” signal (“ radio on ” method only).	Check RMI or RMI-Q for green start LED.
	Incorrect spin speed (“ spin on ” method only).	Check spin speed and duration.
	Incorrect switch on method configured.	Check configuration and alter as required.
	Incorrect “ multiple probe mode ” setting configured.	Check configuration and alter as required.

Symptom	Cause	Action
The machine stops unexpectedly during a probing cycle.	Radio link failure/RMP40 out of range.	Check interface/receiver and remove obstruction.
	RMI or RMI-Q receiver/machine fault.	Refer to receiver/machine user's guide.
	Dead batteries.	Change batteries.
	Excessive machine vibration causing false probe trigger.	Change trigger filter setting.
	Probe unable to find target surface.	Check that part is correctly positioned and that stylus has not broken.
	Stylus not given sufficient time to settle from a rapid deceleration.	Add a short dwell before the probing move (length of dwell will depend on stylus length and rate of deceleration). Maximum dwell is one second.
The probe crashes.	Workpiece obstructing probe path.	Review probing software.
	Probe length offset missing	Review probing software.
	In cases where there is more than one probe on a machine, incorrect probe activated.	Review interface wiring or part program.

Symptom	Cause	Action
Poor probe repeatability and/or accuracy.	Debris on part or stylus.	Clean part and stylus.
	Poor tool change repeatability.	Redatum probe after each tool change.
	Loose probe mounting on shank or loose stylus.	Check and tighten as appropriate.
	Excessive machine vibration.	Change trigger filter setting. Eliminate vibrations.
	Calibration out of date and/or incorrect offsets.	Review probing software.
	Calibration and probing speeds not the same.	Review probing software and make speeds the same.
	Calibration feature has moved.	Correct the position.
	Measurement occurs as stylus leaves surface.	Review probing software.
	Measurement occurs within the machine's acceleration and deceleration zone.	Review probing software and probe filter settings.
	Probing speed too high or too low.	Perform simple repeatability trials at various speeds.
	Temperature variation causes machine and workpiece movement.	Minimise temperature changes.
RMP40 status LEDs do not correspond to RMI or RMI-Q status LEDs.	Machine tool faulty.	Perform health checks on machine tool.
	Radio link failure – RMP40 out of RMI or RMI-Q range.	Check position of RMI or RMI-Q, see operating envelope.
	RMP40 has been enclosed/shielded by metal.	Remove from obstruction.
	RMP40 and RMI or RMI-Q are not partnered.	Partner RMP40 and RMI or RMI-Q.

Symptom	Cause	Action
RMI or RMI-Q error LED lit during probing cycle.	Probe not switched on or probe timed out.	Change setting. Review switch-off method.
	Probe out of range.	Check position of RMI or RMI-Q, see operating envelope.
	Dead batteries.	Change batteries.
	RMP40 and RMI or RMI-Q are not partnered.	Partner RMP40 with RMI or RMI-Q.
	Probe selection error.	Verify that one radio probe is working and is correctly selected on the RMI or RMI-Q.
	0.5 second turn-on error.	Ensure that all RMPs are “Q” marked probes, or change the RMI-Q turn-on time to 1 second.
RMI or RMI-Q low battery LED lit.	Low batteries.	Change batteries soon.
Reduced range.	Local radio interference.	Identify and remove.
The probe fails to switch off.	Incorrect “switch-off” method configured.	Check configuration and alter as required.
	No RMI or RMI-Q “start/stop” signal (“radio on” method only).	Check RMI or RMI-Q for green start LED.
	Probe in “ timeout mode ” and placed in tool magazine and being triggered by movement.	Use shorter timeout setting or use different switch-off method.
	Incorrect spin speed (spin switch on only).	Check spin speed.
The probe goes into Trigger Logic™ configuration mode and cannot be reset.	Probe was triggered when batteries were inserted.	Do not touch the stylus or stylus mounting face during battery insertion.

Parts list

Item	Part number	Description
RMP40	A-5480-8504	RMP40 probe with batteries, tools and support card (factory-set to radio on / radio off, trigger filter off).
RMP40M module	A-5628-0001	RMP40M module with batteries, tools and support card (factory-set to radio on / radio off, trigger filter off).
Battery	P-BT03-0007	½AA battery – lithium-thionyl chloride (two required).
Stylus	A-5003-3709	PS3-1C ceramic stylus 50 mm long with Ø6 mm ball.
Probe tool kit	A-4071-0060	Kit comprising Ø1.98 mm stylus tool, 2.00 mm A/F hexagon key and shank grub screw (× 6).
Battery cassette	A-4071-1166	RMP40 battery cassette assembly.
Battery cassette	A-5625-1166	RMP40M battery cassette assembly.
Battery gasket	A-4038-0301	Battery cap gasket kit.
RMI	A-4113-0050	RMI (side exit) with 15 m (49.2 ft) cable, tools and support card
RMI-Q	A-5687-0050	RMI-Q (side exit) with 15 m (49.2 ft) cable, tools and support card
Mounting bracket	A-2033-0830	Mounting bracket with fixing screws, washers and nuts.
Styli tool	M-5000-3707	Tool for tightening/releasing styli.
LP2	A-2063-6098	LP2 probe.
LPE1	A-2063-7001	LPE1 extension bar – 50 mm long.
LPE2	A-2063-7002	LPE2 extension bar – 100 mm long.
LPE3	A-2063-7003	LPE3 extension bar – 150 mm long.
MA4	A-2063-7600	MA4 90° adaptor assembly.
Publications. These can be downloaded from our website at www.renishaw.com .		
RMI-Q	H-5687-8504	Installation guide: for the set up of the RMI-Q
Styli	H-1000-3200	Technical specifications guide: <i>Styli and accessories</i> – or visit our Online store at www.renishaw.com/shop .
Probe software	H-2000-2298	Data sheet: <i>Probe software for machine tools – programs and features</i> .
Taper shanks	H-2000-2011	Data sheet: <i>Taper shanks for machine tool probes</i> .

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