



**Hydronix**

**Flush Mount Microwave Moisture  
Sensor for Mixers and Conveyors**

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## *Flush mount, digital, microwave moisture sensor*

The Hydro-Mix is a rugged, microwave moisture measurement sensor designed to be installed flush with the floor of a mixer, chute or conveyor in process control environments.

Reading at 25 times per second and combined with on-board functionality such as signal processing, smoothing and averaging, the Hydro-Mix accurately measures the moisture content of material as it passes over the ceramic faceplate. Remote configuration, calibration, diagnostics and firmware upgrades are simple using Hydronix Hydro-Com software. The linear output allows direct integration with any control system using industry standard interfaces.



## *Ceramic Replacement Kit*

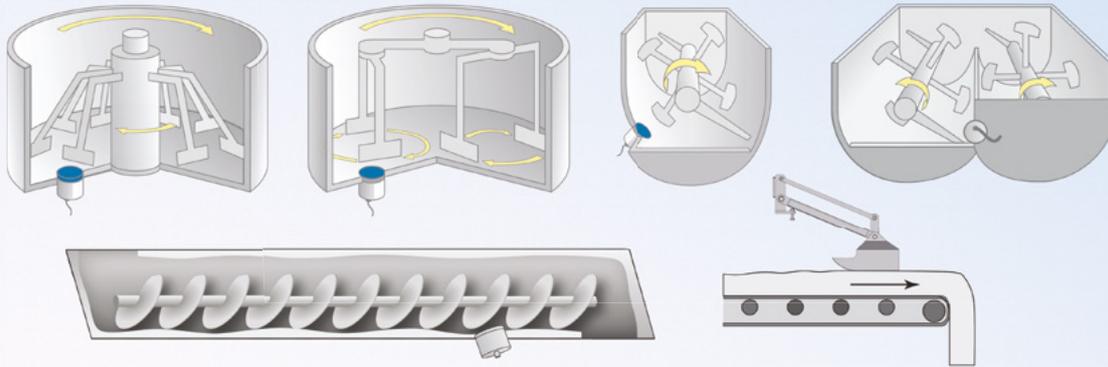


## *Features*

- Digital technology provides precise linear moisture measurement with 25 readings per second
- Advanced Digital Signal Processing provides a clear signal with rapid response
- Choice of measurement modes for optimising sensor performance in a variety of applications and material types
- Fully temperature compensated measurement
- Two analogue outputs, digital RS485 communications and configurable digital inputs/output, alarms
- Remote communication with Hydro-Com software allows configuration of all sensor parameters
- Consistent performance with no need for recalibration except for use with different materials
- Calibration data points stored within the sensor for improved quality control
- Stand alone or simple integration into a new or existing system
- Easily replaced ceramic faceplate.

## Typical Installation

All types of static pan, horizontal shaft and ribbon mixer. Also suitable for installation in screw conveyors, chutes and other flush mount applications. For rotating pan mixers the Hydro-Probe Orbiter Sensor is recommended.



## Connectivity

Up to 16 sensors may be daisy chained to connect directly to a control system via the RS485 serial communications link.



### Hydro-Control Connection

Provides a complete system to control moisture in a mixing application.



### Direct Connection to Control System

The analogue or serial interface integrates easily with a moisture control system.



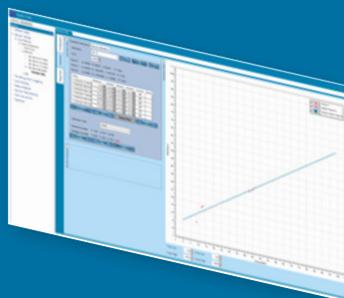
### Direct Connection to PC

The RS485 serial interface provides a direct connection to an operator interface or a PC.



### DISPLAY AND CONTROL OPTIONS

Hydronix has a range of display and control options.



### CONFIGURE AND CALIBRATE

Easily configure & calibrate the sensor using Hydro-Com Software.



### NETWORKING

The Hydro-Hub is a central point to connect a Hydronix sensor network of up to 16 sensors with multiple systems simultaneously.

# Technical Information

## Construction

Body: Stainless Steel  
 Faceplate: Ceramic  
 Protection Ring: Hardened Steel

## Fixing

The sensor requires a 127mm (5") hole to be cut. A Fixing Plate is welded around the hole and the sensor is secured to the Fixing Plate using the Adjustable Clamp Ring.

The clamp ring allows easy installation, extraction and adjustment of the sensor.

## Moisture Range

The sensor will measure up to saturation of material.

## Penetration of Field

Approximately 75-100mm dependant upon material.

## Refresh Rate

25 times per second

## Operating Temperature

0-60° C. The sensor will not measure ice.

## Analogue Outputs

Two configurable 4-20mA or 0-20mA current loop source available for moisture and temperature. May also be converted to 0-10V DC.

## Digital Inputs/Output

Two configurable digital signals available for averaging and alarm functions.

## Digital (Serial) Communication

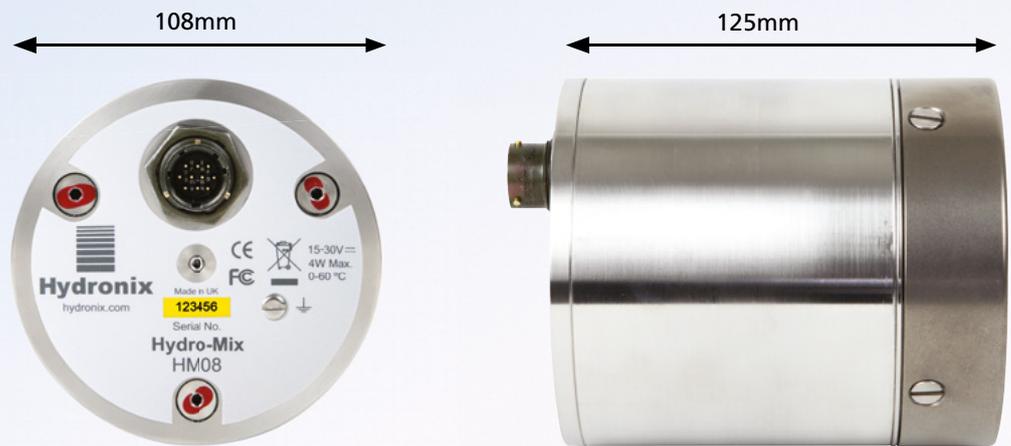
Modbus.  
 Opto-Isolated RS485 2-wire port.  
 RS232 converter, Ethernet and USB interfaces available.  
 Programming details to access sensor values and parameters are available on request.

## Extension Cable

Six twisted pairs, 22AWG, 0.35mm<sup>2</sup> conductors. Screen braid with 65% minimum coverage plus aluminium/polyester foil. Maximum cable run of 100m

## Power Supply

+15V to +30V DC, 4W.



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Part Number	Description
HM08	Hydro-Mix Digital Microwave Moisture Sensor
0033	Adjustable Clamp Ring (provided with sensor)
09XX	Ceramic Replacement Kit - various options available
HS02	Hydro-Skid - Mounting option for belt conveyors
0021	Fixing Plate for welding to mixer (required)
0035	Blanking Plate to cover hole when the sensor is removed.
0975A	4m Sensor Cable with military specification sensor connector
0116	Power Supply 30 Watt for up to 4 sensors
0049A	RS232-485 Converter - DIN rail mounting
0049B	RS232-485 Converter - 9 pin D-type to terminal block
SIMxx	USB Sensor Interface Module including cables and power supply
EAK01	Ethernet Adapter Kit
EPK01	Ethernet Power Kit
M8EW	4 Year extended warranty option