

# **Humidity/Temperature-Measuring Instrument**

hygrometric method of measurement



measuring monitoring analysing

# AFH-G Relative humidity and temperature measurements Recommended operating range: 30...100% rH, -30...+80°C For indoors and air ducts Passive and active sensors available Robust and insensitive to dirt Sensor cleanable Hygrometric method of measurement

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#### **Description**

The type AFH-G measuring instrument serves to measure relative humidity indoors and in air ducts. Auxiliary temperature measurement is available as an option.

The moisture sensing element in the sensor comprises several strips of plastic fabric each with 90 fibres of 3  $\mu$ m diameter. These plastic fibres undergo a special process to acquire hygroscopic properties, this means that they absorb and release moisture. The molecular structure of the fibres changes when they absorb water, giving rise to a measurable change in length. The length of the plastic fibres is thus a measure of the relative humidity.

The swelling effect, acting primarily in the longitudinal direction, is sensed by an electronic pick-off system and transferred to an integrated signal preprocessing system. The output signal of the passive sensors is 100…138.5  $\Omega$ , and 4-20 mA for the active sensors.

The special treatment of the measuring element ensures that its hygroscopic properties remain stable, that is sensitivity is maintained until destroyed by external influence. Regeneration found in conventional instruments is not required here, but is also not damaging.

The measuring element is protected by a perforated tube and is open to the housing. Measuring instruments with an integrated temperature sensor provide temperature measurement. The temperatures are also converted to the standardized signals  $100-138.5~\Omega$ , and 4-20~mA.

## **Application Examples**

- Monitoring air conditioning systems, drying plant, humidifiers and dehumidifiers
- Building management systems
- Warehousing
- Ripening warehouses for food
- R & D (e.g. environmental engineering)
- In the home
- Greenhouses
- Locations exposed to dust and dirt:

Brickworks
Grain dryers
Ceramic dryers
Bakery technology
Tobacco drying

#### **Technical Details**

### **Physical Details**

Humidity

Measuring range: 0...100% rH

Measuring accuracy: >40% rH: ±2.5% rH

<40% rH: ±3.5% rH

Recommended

operating range: 30...100% rH

Temperature

Measuring range: passive sensors: +5...+80°C

active sensors: -30...+60°C

Measuring accuracy: ±0.5°C

Measured medium: air, pressureless, non-aggressive

Allowed ambient

temperature: at housing: -20...+60°C

sensor: -40...+80°C

Average temperature

coefficient: -0.1% r.F./K (20°C and 50% rH)

Allowed air speed: 8 m/s

with gauze protection (optional) 15 m/s

Half-life at V = 2 m/s: 1.2 min
Sensor length: 220 mm
Sensor material: stainless steel

Mounting: holes in housing base

for duct mounting bracket for surface mounting (optional)

Installation position: sensor vertical pointing down,

or horizontal

Connection terminals: for conductor cross-sections

0.5 mm

Cable connection: self-sealing grommet M20 x 1.5

Electromagnetic compatibility:

Noise immunity: EN 50 082-2 Emitted interference: EN 50 081-2

Housing: ABS (Acrylnitril-Butadien-Styrol)

Protection: IP 64

Weight: approx. 0.4 kg



#### **Electrical Data for Passive Sensors**

Humidity

(output 1):  $100 \dots 138.5 \Omega$  linear, 2-wire

Allowed loading: 1.0 watt Maximum voltage: 42 V Insulation resistance:  $10 \text{ M}\Omega$ 

Temperature

(output 2): Pt 100 according to DIN 43 760

Allowed loading for air

1 m/s and T=0.1 K: 2 mA

#### **Electrical Data for Active Sensors**

Humidity

(output 1): 4...20 mA, 2-wire system

Temperature

(output 2): 4...20 mA, 2-wire system

Operating voltage: 15...30 V<sub>DC</sub>

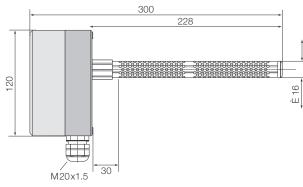
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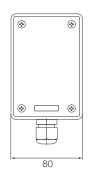
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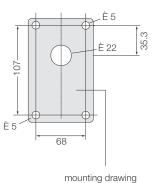
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temperature output: <0.5%

#### **Dimensions**





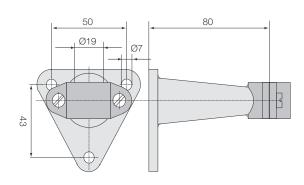


#### Installation

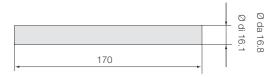
The installation position should be chosen so as to prevent-condensed water from entering the housing. The preferred installation position is "sensor vertically pointing downwards" or "sensor horizontal".

A grommet in the probe (0.8 mm diameter) prevents penetration of water in the installation positions described above.

#### **Wall Mounting Set**



#### **Order Code Wall Mounting set: AFM**



#### **Order Code Gauze Protection: AFG**

# Order Details (Example: AFH-G 1 F)

Model	Description	Instrument version	Measuring parameter
AFH-G	humidity measuring instrument	1 = passive sensor 2 = active sensor	F = humidity T = humidity + temperature