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- Measuring range: 0...100% rH, -40...+180°C
- Maximum accuracy up to 180°C
- Sensor replacement without recalibration
- High degree of resistance of sensor to chemicals
- output of measured values (rH, °C) and deviated values (dew point, absolute humidity etc.) via RS 232
- Pressure-tight version 0.01...15 bar
- Display
- Sensor coating
- Special calibration

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## Description

The measuring instruments AFK-E have been designed for the accurate measurement of humidity and temperature in industrial applications. They allow measurements in the range 0...100% rH and between -40°C and +180°C.

A capacitive humidity sensor element with excellent longterm stability, minimum hysteresis and high chemical resistance forms the basis for this highly accurate transmitter series.

The values for humidity and temperature are displayed on two analogue outputs. A scalable and selectable current signal in the range 4 to 20 mA or any voltage signal between 0 and 10 V are available for selection.

This flexibility is achieved with cutting-edge microprocessor technology, whereby the scaling and selection of the output signal is carried out with a user-friendly graphic interface running under MS Windows. The factory setting can thus be changed easily on site by the user.

In addition to measured values for humidity and temperature, the transmitters supplies the following values:

- Dew-point temperature
- Freezing point temperature
- Wet-bulb temperature
- Water-vapour partial pressure
- Mixing ratio
- Absolute humidity
- Specific enthalpy

The measured values are also output to an RS232 serial port for further processing by software.

#### **Application examples**

## Control

- Humidity of clean rooms
- Air-conditioning cabinets
- Cheese ageing rooms

#### Drying

- Ceramics
- Bricks
- Wood
- Pharmaceutical products
- Pasta & noodles

## Warehousing

- Medicines
- Fruit and vegetables

#### **Technical Details**

## Characteristic data of humidity sensor

0...100 % rH (notice operating range of humidity sensor)

# Accuracy

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(including hysteresis, non-linear	ity and repeatability)			
at -15+40°C / < 90% rH:	$\pm (1.3 + 0.3\% \text{ of M.V.})\% rH$			
at -15+40°C / > 90% rH:	±2.3% rH			
at -25+70°C:	±(1.4 + 1% of M.V.) % rH			
at -40+180°C:	$\pm (1.5 + 1.5\% \text{ of M.V.})\% \text{ rH}$			
Temperature dependence				
of electronics:	typically ±0.01 % rH/°C			
Response time t <sub>10/90</sub> at 20 °C				
• without filter:	< 6 s			
• with st. steel sintered filter:	30 s			
• with PTFE filter:	14 s			
<ul> <li>with metal screen:</li> </ul>	7 s			
Characteristic data of temperature sensor				
Measuring range:	-40+180°C			

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isor:	Pt 1000
	(DIN EN 60751, category A)



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## **General characteristic Data**

Resistance to pressure

<ul> <li>Standard version:</li> </ul>	atmospheric
<ul> <li>Pressure-tight version:</li> </ul>	0.0115 bar
	(1/2" Swagelok screwing)
Housing:	Aluminium,
	fixed wall mounting integrated
Electr. connection:	screw terminals
	to max. 1.5 mm <sup>2</sup>
Sensor protection:	stainless steel sintered filter
	(PTFE filter and metal
	screen optional)
Cable lengths:	2 m, 5 m, 10 m, 20 m
	(PTFE cable up to 200°C)
Operating temperature/	
storage temperature	
electronics:	-40+60°C without display
	-20+50°C with display
Electromagnetic compatibili	ty
according to	EN 61000-6-2, EN 61000-6-3,
	EN 61326-1+A1+A2
Protection class:	IP 65

#### Operating range of humidity sensor\*



\*The grey area indicates the allowed measuring area for the humidity sensor.

Operating points outside this area do not cause damage to the element, however the specified measuring accuracy cannot be guaranteed.

#### Communication

Microsoft<sup>™</sup> Windows 98<sup>™</sup> or higher. Serial Interface for PC communication: RS 232C

## Calculated functions:

The following calculated functions are given out from the transmitter AFK-E out of the measured values for temperature and relative humidity:

Measurement		Standard ranges	max. adjus- table ranges
Relative Humidity	rH	0100 % rH	0100 % rH
Temperature	Т	-40180°C	-40180°C
Dew-point temperature	Td	-40100°C	-80100°C
Freezing point temperature	Tf	-400°C	-800°C
Wet-bulb temperature	Tw	0100°C	0100°C
Water-vapour partial pressure	е	01000 mbar	01100 mbar
Miixing ratio	r	0500 g/kg	0999 g/kg
Absolute humidity	dv	0600 g/m <sup>3</sup>	0700 g/m <sup>3</sup>
Specific enthalpy	н	-401500 kJ/kg	-502800 kJ/kg

These values can be indicated on the display (option) and are also available as analogue outputs. For software processing the measuring values are in addition given out via a serial RS 232 interface.

# **Options:**

#### Pressure resistant measuring sensor

The pressure resistant measuring sensor can be operated at a maximum pressure of 15 bar. For mounting this measuring sensor a pressure tight duct with a 1/2" thread (Swagelok screwing) is enclosed in the shipment.

#### Measured value display

The two line LCD can display two measured or two calculated values.

#### Sensor coating

For strongly contaminated or corrosive atmosheres special coated sensors are available. By means of the polymericcoating the sensors get a drastically improvement of their chemical resistance and therefore a considerable increase of the long-term stability of the measuring transmitter. Especially for drying processes the use of the coating has been proved and tested.

## Cable length

The connection cable between sensor and transmitter is available in the following lengths: 2, 5, 10 and 20 metres.

#### Special calibration

A special calibration (option Z) to certified standards achieves a higher measuring accuracy. A calibration certificate is included in the shipment.

±1% rH (0...90% rH) Accuracy: ±2% rH (90...100% rH)

For applications with a humidity predominantly higher than 95% rH a special calibration for high humidity can be carried out.

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## Accessories

Dustproof filter covers:

St. steel sintered filters: for tough industrial applications where the detecting sensors are exposed to strong mechanical and thermal stresses; serviceable to 180°C.

# Model AFZ-E1



PTFE filter: for chemically aggressive environments and high temperatures, serviceable to 180°C (not with pressure-tight version)

# Model AFZ-E2



Metal screen: with high humidity, danger of moisture condensation or with rapidly alternating humidity cycles, serviceable to 120 °C (not with pressure-tight version)

# Model AFZ-E3



• External plug-in power supply unit with 1.5 m cable:

Model AFZ-E4



- RS 232 interface cable: Model AFZ-E5
- Stainless steel mounting flange: Model AFZ-E6



hole circle: Ø 46 mm boreholes: 4 x 6 mm

• Humidity sensor with characteristic data: Model AFZ-E7



• Dripping water protection cap (85 mm):

Model AFZ-E8



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## Resistance table for humidity transmitter AFK-E (without sensor coating »P«)

Chemical product		Gas rate up to	harmless	negative effect
Ammonia	NH <sub>3</sub>	500 ppm	Х	
Chlorine	CI2	5 ppm, 15 mg/m <sup>3</sup>	Х	
Chlorine methane	CH <sub>3</sub> CI			Х
Ethanol (liquid, for cleaning)	CH <sub>3</sub> CH <sub>2</sub> OH	10.000 ppm, 19 g/m <sup>3</sup>	Х	
Ethylene oxide	C <sub>2</sub> H <sub>4</sub> O	20 mg/m <sup>3</sup>	Х	
Formaldehyde	НСНО	6 mg/m <sup>3</sup>	Х	
Hydrofluoric acid	HF			Х
Freon 113	C <sub>2</sub> Cl <sub>3</sub> F <sub>3</sub>	5.000 ppm, 39 g/m <sup>3</sup>	Х	
Isopropanol (liquid, for cleaning)	(CH <sub>3</sub> )2CHOH	2.000 ppm, 5.000 mg/m <sup>3</sup>	Х	
Carbon monoxide	CO	400 ppm	Х	
Methanol (liquid, for cleaning)	CH <sub>3</sub> OH	2.000 ppm, 2700 mg/m <sup>3</sup>	Х	
Ozone	O <sub>3</sub>	2 mg/m <sup>3</sup>	Х	
Hydrochloric acid	HCI			Х
Sulphur dioxide	SO <sub>2</sub>	100 ppm		Х
Nydrogen oxide	NO <sub>2</sub>	120 mg/m <sup>3</sup>	Х	
UV-light		at 300-400 nm and 2 J/cm <sup>2</sup> duration of exposure approx. 5 min	Х	
Hydrogen peroxide	H <sub>2</sub> O <sub>2</sub>	140 mg/m <sup>3</sup>	Х	

# Insertable in Argon and N2-Gas with coated sensor

# Order Details (Example: AFK-E 1 S 1 K 02 N)

Model	Description	Pressure resistance	Display	Sensor coating	Cable length	Calibration
AFK-E	Humidity measuring instrument	2S = atmospheric 2D = pmax: 15 bar	1 = without display 2 = with display	K = not Polymer coated P = Polymer coated	<b>02</b> = 2 m <b>05</b> = 5 m <b>10</b> = 10 m <b>20</b> = 20 m	<ul> <li>N = standard ±2% rH (090% rH)</li> <li>Z = special ±1% rH (090% rH)</li> <li>H = high humidity for predominantly &gt; 95% rH</li> </ul>

# Order Details Accessories (Example: AFZ-E 1)

Model	Accessories	
	1 = stainless steel sintered filter	
A57.5	2 = PTFE filter	
	3 = metal screen	
	4 = external plug-in power supply unit	
AFZ-E	5 = RS 232 interface cable	
	6 = stainless steel mounting flange	
	7 = replacement humidity sensor	
	8 = dripping water protection cap	

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Dimensions for all AFK-E models



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