



HOBOnet Soil Moisture EC-5 Sensor

Product Images



Short Description

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Description

The HOBOnet Wireless Soil Moisture Sensor integrates the field-proven ECH20™ EC5 Sensor and provides readings directly in volumetric water content.

The sensor's high-frequency design minimizes sensitivity to salinity and textural effects, and gives it a wide measurement range. HOBOnet Wireless Sensors communicate data directly to the RX3000 weather station or

pass data through other wireless sensors back to the central station. They are preconfigured and ready to deploy, and data is accessed through HOBOLink, Onset's innovative cloud-based software platform.

Sensor Features

- $\pm 3\%$ accuracy in typical soil conditions, and $\pm 2\%$ accuracy with soil-specific calibration
- Measures a 0.3-liter volume of soil for taking readings at a specific depth or in a container
- High-frequency (70 MHz) circuit provides good accuracy even in high-salinity and sandy soils.


Wireless Features

- 900 MHz wireless mesh self-healing technology
- 450 to 600 meter (1,500 to 2,000 feet) wireless range and up to five hops
- Up to 50 wireless sensors per RX3000
- Simple button-push to join the HOBOnet wireless network
- Onboard memory to ensure no data loss
- Powered by rechargeable AA batteries and built-in solar panel.

Note: A complete [HOBOnet](#) system requires at least one [HOBOnet RX3000](#) Remote Monitoring Station, a [HOBOnet Wireless Manager](#), and a HOBOnet wireless sensor. [HOBOnet Wireless Repeaters](#) can be added to extend the range.

For full specifications for this product, please see the User Manual found under the Resources tab below.

Additional Information

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| Country of Manufacture | United States | |
| Brand | HOBO | |
| Measurements | Soil Moisture | |
| Typical applications | Environmental (Outdoor), Field Research | |
| Explanation | Sensor | |
| | Measurement Range | In soil: 0 to 0.550 m³/m³ (volumetric water content) |
| | Extended Range | -0.401 to 2.574 m³/m³ |
| | Accuracy | ±0.031 m³/m³ (±3.1%) typical 0 to 50°C (32° to 122°F) for mineral soils up to 8 dS/m and ±0.020 m³/m³ (±2%) with soil specific calibration; see Notes 2 and 3 |
| | Resolution | 0.0007 m³/m³ (0.07%) |
| | Volume of Influence | 0.3 liters (10.14 oz) |
| | Sensor Frequency | 70 MHz |
| | Sensor Operating Temperature Range | 0° to 50°C (32° to 122°F). Although the sensor probe and cable can safely operate at below-freezing temperatures (to -40°C/F), the soil moisture data collected at these extreme temperatures is outside of the sensor's accurate measurement range. |
| | Wireless Mote | |
| | Operating Temperature Range | -25° to 60°C (-13° to 140°F) with rechargeable batteries -40 to 70°C (-40 to 158°F) with lithium batteries |
| | Radio Power | 12.6 mW (+11 dBm) non-adjustable |
| | Transmission Range | Reliable connection to 457.2 m (1,500 ft) line of sight at 1.8 m (6 ft) high Reliable connection to 609.6 m (2,000 ft) line of sight at 3 m (10 ft) high |
| | Wireless Data Standard | IEEE 802.15.4 |
| | Radio Operating Frequencies | RXW-SMC-900: 904-924 MHz RXW-SMC-868: 866.5 MHz RXW-SMC-922: 916-924 MHz |
| | Modulation Employed | OQPSK (Offset Quadrature Phase Shift Keying) |
| | Data Rate | Up to 250 kbps, non-adjustable |
| | Duty Cycle | <1% |
| | Maximum Number of Motes | 50 motes per one RX Wireless Sensor Network |
| | Battery Type/ Power Source | Two AA 1.2 V rechargeable NiMH batteries powered by built-in solar panel or two AA 1.5 V lithium batteries for operating conditions of -40 to 70°C (-40 to 158°F) |
| | Battery Life | With NiMH batteries: Typical 3-5 years when operated in the temperature range -20° to 40°C (-4°F to 104°F) and positioned toward the sun (see Deployment and Mounting), operation outside this range will reduce the battery service life With lithium batteries: 1 year, typical use |
| | Memory | 16 MB |
| | Dimensions | Cable length: 5 m (16.4 ft) Mote: 16.2 x 8.59 x 4.14 cm (6.38 x 3.38 x 1.63 inches) |
| | Weight | Mote: 223 g (7.87 oz) |
| | Materials | Sensor: Weatherproof Mote: PCPBT, silicone rubber seal |
| | Environmental Rating | Mote: IP67, NEMA 6 |
| | Compliance |  RXW-SMC-868 |
| Ideal For | Professional, Agronomy | |