

# WX Series Ultrasonic WeatherStation® Instruments

AIRMAR's best-in-class, all-in-one solution for real-time, site-specific weather information



























## Delivering an Accurate, Affordable, All-in-One Unit for Many Industries

Whether you are trying to improve the efficiency for sprayer applications or monitor maximum gust conditions, the WX Series Ultrasonic WeatherStation® Instruments meet a growing need for real-time, site-specific weather information. These accurate units offer weather specific data to help organizations monitor weather conditions on-site or in remote locations.

These all-in-one weather sensors measure apparent wind speed and direction, barometric pressure, air temperature, relative humidity, dew point and wind chill temperature. With the optional internal compass and GPS (available in the 150WX model), true wind speed and direction can also be calculated. The UV stabilized, compact housing is fully waterproof and resistant to chemicals and sunlight.

These new units offer a truly best-in-class solution at a better price point than any other weather monitoring system on the market today.

# Providing the Best-in-Class Solution at a Lower Price

### **Key Features**

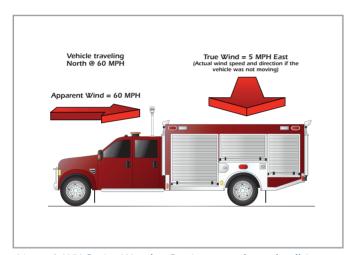
- The only WeatherStation that combines up to seven sensors, all with no moving parts, in one compact unit to:
  - improve reliability for superior accuracy and longevity in the field
  - offer true and apparent wind speeds (without additional sensors) with improved wind resolution from 0.5 knots to 0.1 knots
- Other weather stations would take at least three separate sensors to achieve all of the weather data Airmar WeatherStations provide.
- Wind readings are not affected by the common problems known in mechanical anemometers and weather measuring devices like bearing wear, salt and dirt build-up, or bird perching, which can all result in failure or data inaccuracy.
- Each unit is factory calibrated in our wind-tunnel testing lab prior to shipping.
- For a low-cost, the units are easy-to-install either permanently, or as a portable system. They can be installed on a standard pole with 1"-14 UNS or 3/4" NPT threads.
- IPX6 water proof rated.
- Includes a removeable humidity sensor that is serviceable in the field and IPX4 water proof rated.
- Offers a new power supply featuring a 50% reduction in current draw for use in remote locations that utilize solar or battery power.
- Wider operating voltage range of 9-40 VDC.
- Includes adjustable unfiltered wind data, available to monitor maximum gust conditions.
- Provides output via a single cable (various lengths available) for power and either RS232 (NMEA 0183) or RS422 (NMEA 0183) and CAN BUS (NMEA 2000®) data interface.
- WeatherCaster™ PC Software included for viewing and customizing data sentences.

## **Understanding True and Apparent Wind**

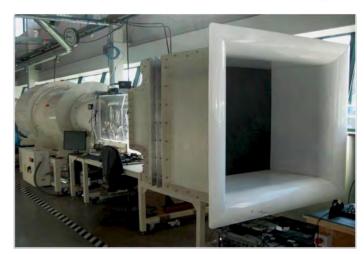
Virtually all mechanical and ultrasonic anemometers report apparent wind speed and direction. The Airmar WX Series is unique because it calculates both true and apparent wind speed and direction. These wind readings are the same if the unit is mounted in a fixed location. However, if the WX Series is mounted on a moving vehicle, the apparent wind is the wind you would feel on your hand if you held it out the window while going down the highway. Since the WX Series has a built in GPS

and compass, it calculates the true wind based upon the apparent wind, speed of the vehicle, and compass heading.

True wind information on hazardous response vehicles can also prove to be very valuable. When enroute to an emergency situation, responders can use the true wind readings to predict wind conditions at the disaster site before they even arrive, giving vital information for planning operations and staging apparatus.

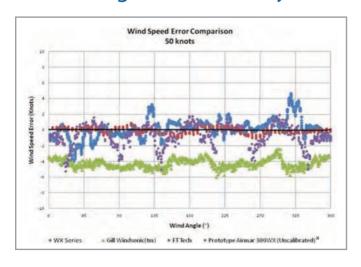


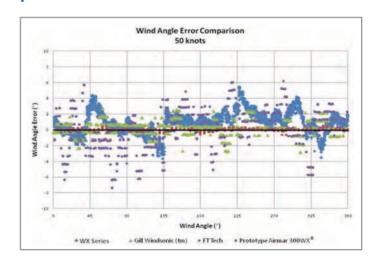
Airmar's WX Series WeatherStations are the only all-in-one unit to offer true and apparent wind speeds without additional sensors.



Each WeatherStation Instrument is factory calibrated in a wind tunnel at our state-of-the-art facility located in Milford, New Hampshire, USA.

## Performing Above and Beyond Competitive Products on the Market





## Offering Many Product Models to Satisfy Multiple Weather Needs

Apparent Wind Models
Recommended for
Stationary Applications

#### 100WX

- Apparent wind speed and direction
- Ultrasonic wind readings up to 90 MPH/78 KTS (40 m/s)
- Barometric pressure
- Air temperature
- Calculated wind chill temperature
- Output options include:
  - -NMEA 0183 (RS422)
  - -NMEA 0183 (RS232)

## 110WX

Includes all 100WX base model features, plus:

- Optional field-serviceable relative humidity
- Calculated dew point
- Calculated heat index
- Optional heater and upper ring
- Output options include:
  - -RS422/CAN BUS
- -RS232/CAN BUS



Apparent and True Wind Models Recommended for Moving Vehicle Applications

#### 150WX

Includes all 110WX model features, plus:

- True wind speed and direction
- 10 Hz GPS (COG/SOG/Position)
- •Two-axis solid state compass
- Three-axis accelerometer for pitch and roll
- Output options include:
  - -RS422/CAN BUS
  - -RS232/CAN BUS

### 200WX

Includes all 150WX model features, plus:

- •Three-axis solid-state compass with dynamic stabilization\*
  - Better than 1° static compass accuracy
  - Best-in-class 2° dynamic compass accuracy
- Three-axis rate gyros provide rate-of-turn data
- Best-in-class pitch and roll accuracy
- Output options include: -RS422/CAN BUS

-RS232/CAN BUS

#### WeatherCaster™ Software

Included with all of the WX Series WeatherStation models, AIRMAR's WeatherCaster™ Software puts your own personal weatherman on your PC 24 hours a day. Available with analog and digital weather information, this software is easy-to-use, customizable to your preferred settings, and allows for plug and play connectivity.



## **Achieving Best-in-Class Product Specifications**

#### **SPECIFICATIONS**

Wind Speed Range:

0 knots to 78 knots (0 MPH to 90 MPH, 0 m/s to 40 m/s)

Wind Speed Resolution:

0.1 knot (0.1 MPH, 0.1 m/s)

Wind Speed Accuracy @ 0°C to 55°C (32°F to 131°F),

no precipitation\*:

— Low Wind Speeds:

■0-10knots; 1 knot RMS +10% of reading (0 MPH to 11.5 MPH; 1.1 MPH + 10% of reading)

(0 m/s to 5 m/s; 0.5 m/s +10% of reading)

— High Wind Speeds:

• 10-78 knots; 2 knots RMS or 5%, whichever is greater (11.5 MPH to 90 MPH; 2.3 MPH or 5%, whichever is greater) (5 m/s to 40 m/s; 1 m/s or 5%, whichever is greater)

Wind Speed Accuracy in wet conditions\*\*:

— 5 knots RMS (5.7 MPH RMS, 2.5 m/s RMS)

Wind Direction Range: 0° to 360° Wind Direction Resolution: 0.1

Wind Direction Accuracy @ 0°C to 55°C (32°F to 131°F),

Low Wind Speeds (5° RMS typical):
4-10 knots (4.6 MPH to 11.5 MPH, 2 m/s to 5 m/s)
High Wind Speeds (2° RMS typical):
>10 knots (>11.5 MPH, >5 m/s)

Wind Direction Accuracy in wet conditions\*\* (8° RMS Typical): >8 knots (>9.2 MPH, >4 m/s)

**Compass Accuracy:** 

RMS when level—(150WX only)

1° static heading accuracy; 2° dynamic heading accuracy—(200WX only)

Pitch and Roll Range / Accuracy:  $\pm 50^{\circ}$  / <1°—(150WX & 200WX) Air Temperature Range:  $-40^{\circ}$ C to 55°C ( $-40^{\circ}$ F to 131°F)

Air Temperature Resolution: 0.1°C (0.1°F)

Air Temperature Accuracy:  $\pm 1^{\circ}\text{C }(\pm 1.8^{\circ}\text{F})^{*}$  @ >4 knots wind (>4.6 MPH wind) (>2 m/s wind)

Barometric Pressure Range: 300 mbar to 1100 mbar (24 inHg to 33 inHg, 800 hPa to 1100 hPa)

Barometric Pressure Resolution: 0.1 mbar (0.029 inHq, 0.1 hPa)

**Barometric Pressure Accuracy:** 

±1 mbar (±0.029 inHg, ±1 hPa) when altitude correction is available Relative Humidity Range: 10% to 95% RH—(110WX, 150WX & 200WX) Relative Humidity Accuracy\*: ±4% units RH—(110WX, 150WX & 200WX)

GPS Position Accuracy:
3 m (10') with WAAS/EGNOS (95% of the time, SA off)—(150WX & 200WX)

Operating Temperature Range: -25°C to 55°C (-13°F to 131°F)

Supply Voltage: 9 VDC to 40 VDC Supply Current (@ 12 VDC):

- <500mW (<40 mA) - 100WX - <600mW (<50 mA) - 110WX - <850mW (<70 mA) - 150WX - <1.8W (<90 mA) - 200WX

Weight: 300 grams (0.8 lb)

Communication Interface: RS232 or RS422 & CAN Mounting Thread Size on Base: 1"-14 UNS or 3/4" NPT

Certifications and Standards (Pending): CE, IPX6 (Relative Humidity/IPX4), RoHS, IEC61000-4-2, IEC60945

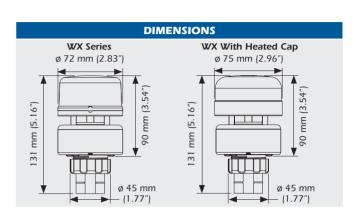
RMS—Root Mean Square, LEN—Load Equivalency Number Humidity and temperature readings compared to Vaisala® Instruments

\*When the wind speed is less than 2 m/s (4.6 MPH) and/or air temperature is below 0°C (32°F), wind, temperature, and relative humidity readings will be less accurate

\*\*Wet conditions include moisture, rain, frost, dew, snow, ice and/or sea spray in the wind channel







#### **DATA OUTPUT PROTOCOL**

#### RS422 (NMEA 0183) Sentence Structure

SGPDTM RS422 Datum Reference

\$GPGGA **GPS Fix Data** 

\$GPGLL Geographic Position—Latitude and Longitude

\$GPGSA **GNSS DOP and Active Satellite** 

\$GPGSV Satellites in View

Recommended Minimum GNSS COG and SOG **\$GPRMC** \$GPVTG.

\$GPZDA. Time and Date

\$HCHDG Heading, Deviation, and Variation

\$HCHDT True Heading \$HCTHS. True Heading and Status

STIROT. Rate of Turn

Meteorological Composite Wind Direction and Speed \$WIMDA \$WIMWD

\$WIMWV Wind Speed and Angle

\$WIMWR Relative Wind Direction and Speed SWIMWT. True Wind Direction and Speed \$YXXDR ...... Transducer Measurements

## CAN (NMEA 2000®) Output Message Structure 59392.......ISO Acknowledgement

060928 .ISO Address Claim Acknowledge Group Function

126208 126464 .PGN List

126992 System Time

126996 Product Information

126998 .Configuration Information

127250 .Vessel Heading 127251 Rate of Turn

127257 .Attitude

.Magnetic Variation 127258

.Position and Rapid Update .COG and SOG, Rapid Update 129025

129026

129029 .GNSS Position Data

129033 Time and Date .Datum 129044

129538. .GNSS Control Status

129539 GNSS DOPS

129540 .GNSS Sats in View

.Wind Data 130306

Environmental Parameters 130310 130311 Environmental Parameters

130312 .Temperature

130313 .Humidity

Actual Pressure 130323......Meteorological Station Data





Actual

Size

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