

# SWS-200 Visibility Sensor

Monitors visibility and extended present weather to identify visibility and precipitation type

... easy integration; includes digital, analogue and switching relay outputs

- Selectable measurement range up to 75km
- compact forward scatter design
- instantaneous and averaged visibility outputs
- WMO 4680 present weather codes
- hood heating for use in extreme environments
- digital, analogue and switching relay outputs
- comprehensive self-test and maintenance data

### The SWS-200 is designed for use in applications where accurate and reliable visibility measurements are required with the addition of WMO 4680 present weather codes.

The availability of digital, analogue and switching relay outputs provides the flexibility to connect to a wide range of systems and other data controllers.

The sensor measures: visibility (MOR – Meteorological Optical Range), fog, haze, drizzle, rain, snow and general precipitation (according to WMO 4680 table codes).

The enhanced present weather information from the SWS-200 is due to the backscatter receiver, which allows detailed precipitation analysis

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including precipitation intensity information and accumulation totals for 24 hour periods.

The SWS-200 is ideal for single installations or multiple sensor networks in a range of applications from general weather station monitoring, aviation to wind turbine sites... in fact nearly anywhere where visibility and present weather information is needed.

This is a quality sensor at an affordable price (less expensive than competitive sensors) and includes a remote monitoring and self-test system to keep maintenance call-outs to a minimum. The savings realised from installing and running a network of SWS-200 sensors can be substantial. The SWS series sensors are lightweight, portable and easily pole mountable

SWS sensors use the same technology as the high specification HSS range of visibility and present weather sensors, which have been in demand world-wide for over 25 years.

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## SWS-200 Specifications

#### Visibility measurement

Measures	Visibility (MOR) WMO 4680 present weather codes
Output	Digital, analogue and switching relays
Range (visibility)	*Selectable: 10m to 2km, 10km, 20km, 32km, 50km or 75km
Measurement Error	<=5% at 2km, <=10% at 10km, <=15% at 20km, <=20% at 30km
Measurement principle	Forward scatter meter with 39° to 51° angle, centred at 45°
Precipitation detection resolution	Rain: 0.015mm/hr 90.0006 in/hr Snow: 0.0015mm/hr (0.00006 in/hr)
Maximum rain rate	250 mm/hr (10in/hr)
Rain rate accuracy	<=15%

#### **Outputs and Reports**

\*selectable at the time of order

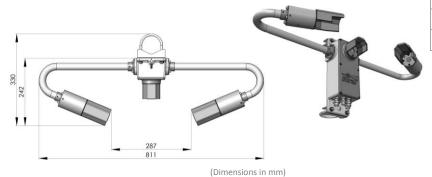
10 to 300 (selectable)	
RS232, RS422 and RS485	
0-10V (4-20mA or 0-20mA optional)	
Relay 1= Fault	
Relay 2 = visibility (user selectable value)	
Relay 3 = precipitation yes/no or snow yes/no or visibility (user selectable)	
WMO 4680 present weather codes	

#### **Power Requirements**

Sensor power	9-36 VDC (AC with optional mains adaptor)
Hood heating power	24 V AC or DC
Basic sensor	3.5 W
Window heaters	1.7 W
Hood heaters	36 W
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#### **Additional features**

Window heaters	Fitted as standard to both sensor head windows
Window contamination monitoring	Fitted as standard on the transmitter window. Optional on all 3 sensor head windows
Hood Heaters	Fitted as an option to all 3 sensor head windows



#### Environmental

Operating temperature	-40°C to +60°C
Operating humidity	0 – 100% RH
Protection rating	IP66

#### **Certification & Compliance**

CE certified	
EMC compliance with EN61326-1997, 1998 2001	,
RoHS and WEEE compliant	

#### Physical

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Material	Powder coated aluminium
Weight	3.5 Kg
Length	0.81
Warranty	2 Years
Lifetime	>10 Years

#### Maintenance

Self-test capability	Fitted as standard
User confidence check	6 months recommended
Window cleaning	Automatic compensation and warnings
Field calibration	With optional calibration kit

#### **Included with sensor**

The SWS sensor is delivered in sturdy recyclable foam filled packaging with:

- Pole mounting kit (2 x U-bolt and saddles)
- User manual and calibration certificates

#### **Accessories - optional**

Power and data cables
Mains power adaptor
Calibration kit
ALS-2 Ambient Light Sensor
Hard shell transport case
Specifications subject to change E.&O.E

