## **POTENTIOMETER WINDVANE** (Low Torque)

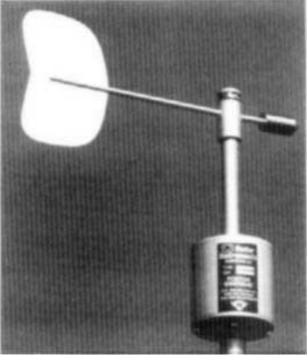
This instrument incorporates a precision wire-wound potentiometer as shaft angle transducer, enabling wind direction to be accurately determined when used in suitable electronic circuits. The potentiometer has a lower torque than that of the standard W200P, allowing measurements at lower wind speeds; however the gap at north is larger. The vane-arm assembly is attached by the unique Porton<sup>™</sup> gravity fastener, allowing rapid attachment and release; thus improving portability.

Construction is from anodised aluminium alloys and stainless steels for exposed parts. Combined with the hard plastic (upper) plain bearing and precision ball races, the result is an easily serviceable instrument which is suitable for permanent exposure to the weather.

In the marine version,<sup>#1</sup> body/vane sealing is enhanced and a touching shaft-seal is fitted above the upper (replaceable) bearing for extra protection.

For applications where improved sensitivity is required, a larger vane version<sup>#2</sup> is available.

An anti-icing heater can also be fitted to extend operation by removing hoare frost around the upper bearing.



### **Range of Operation**

Maximum Wind Speed: Range: Temperature range: Over 75m/s (150Knots, 170mph) [60m/s]<sup>#2</sup> 360° mechanical angle, full-circle continuous rotation allowed. -30 to +70°C

### Performance

Threshold:	0.5m/s (1.0Knot, 1.1mph) [0.6m/s] <sup>#1</sup> [0.35m/s] <sup>#2</sup> (the vane will commence movement when aligned at 45° to the flow).			
Response:	Damped natural Wavelength: 3.4m [3.6m] <sup>#2</sup> Damping Ratio: 0.2m [0.24m] <sup>#2</sup> Recovery distance: 0.51m [0.54m] <sup>#2</sup> Distance constant: 2.3m [2.4m] <sup>#2</sup>			
Repeatability: Service Life:	$\pm 0.5^{\circ}$ vane removed and replaced (no measurable backlash movement during use). 12 years (inland exposure), 6 years (marine). Service interval: 2 to 3			
years. Life of Potentiometer: Accuracy:	2 x $10^7$ cycles (4 years typical exposure). ±4° in steady winds >3m/s [3.5m/s] <sup>#1</sup> [2m/s] <sup>#2</sup>			
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### Electrical

Potentiometer resistance:  $2,000 \Omega \pm 3\%$ Maximum dissipation: 0.3W, -30 to +20°C (de-rate linearly to 0.15W at 70°C) Maximum wiper current: 50µA\*, (10mA absolute max.) Supply voltage: 1 to 5V\*, (20V absolute max.) across terminals 1 & 3. 48V max. (case or screen to any terminal on pot.) Case to pot. voltage: Insulation resistance: >50MΩ Temperature coefficient ±50 x 10<sup>-6</sup>/°C of resistance: 357 ±2° (typically 3° gap at north) Electrical continuity angle: 355 ±3° (typically 5° deadband) Electrical variation angle: ±0.25° Resolution: Independent non-linearity: ±0.5% (unloaded)

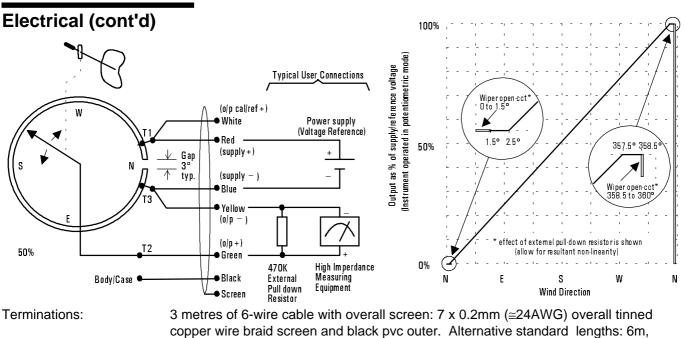
Notes: Figures marked \* refer to recommended operating conditions.

Bracketed figures marked<sup>#1,#2</sup> refer to parameters changed when options are fitted, (see options section overleaf).

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Connections:

10m, 15m. (where extended, max. recommended overall length: 100m) Terminal T1. Red, White: Green (wiper): Terminal T2. Blue, Yellow: Terminal T3. Black: Sensor body. Screen: Isolated.

Rotation sense:

Direction changes from N through E,S,W to N cause the wiper to move along the track from terminal T3 to terminal T1. Note: Wind direction is North when wind is coming from the North.

### **Mechanical**

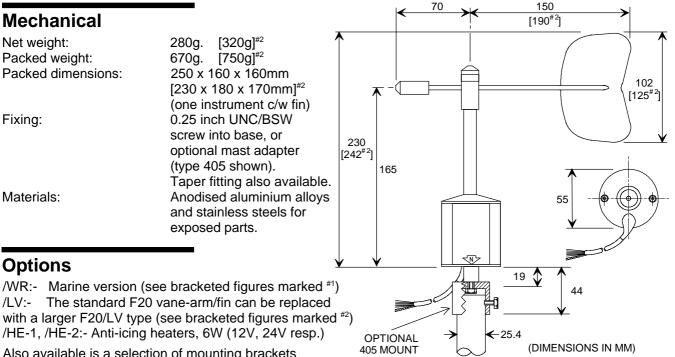
Net weight: Packed weight: Packed dimensions:

Fixing:

Materials:

Options

280g. [320g]#2 [750g]#2 670g. 250 x 160 x 160mm [230 x 180 x 170mm]#2 (one instrument c/w fin) 0.25 inch UNC/BSW screw into base, or optional mast adapter (type 405 shown). Taper fitting also available. Anodised aluminium alloys and stainless steels for exposed parts.



/LV:- The standard F20 vane-arm/fin can be replaced with a larger F20/LV type (see bracketed figures marked #2) /HE-1, /HE-2:- Anti-icing heaters, 6W (12V, 24V resp.)

Also available is a selection of mounting brackets and arms, mast adapters and spare parts; including vane, bearing, potentiometer/spindle assy. & overhaul kit.

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