

# Bio Instruments S.R.L.

# SENSORS AND SYSTEMS FOR MONITORING GROWING PLANTS

# Soil Moisture, EC and Temperature Sensor



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# Description\*

This particular SMTE-3z sensor has a MEC10 probe, which is described in details here:

http://www.infwin.com/manage\_zheqin/ewebeditor5\_5/attachment/20170718114523993.pdf

\* The description relates only to the SMTE-3z sensors with serial numbers 19132005-326-5-XXX.

#### Communication

The SMTE-3z communicates over the RF 2.4 GHz channel with a datalogger. Activation of the sensor and measurement settings are described in the Quick Start Guide of the data logging unit (PTM-50 or PM-11z Phytomonitor or PC Phyto-Logger).

#### **Power**

The SMTE-3z is powered by three AA Alkaline batteries.

## Readings

SMTE-3z represents 8 values:

- VWC Mineral Soil (%VWC)
- Soil Temperature (°C)
- Electrical Conductivity (dS/m)
- Battery (%)

Dielectric Permittivity, Soil Temperature, and Electrical Conductivity are the primary measurement values. The VWC values are calculated by using the MEC10 probe manufacturer's calibrations.



# **Specifications**

#### Volumetric Water Content

**Resolution**: 0.03% within 0 to 50% VWC;

1% within 50 to 100% VWC.

**Accuracy:**  $\pm 2\%$  within 0 to 50% VWC;

±3% within 50 to 100% VWC.

# **Bulk Electrical Conductivity**

Range: 0 to 20 dS/m (bulk)

**Resolution**: 0.05 dS/m within 0 to 20 dS/m **Accuracy**: ±3% within 0 to 10 dS/m;

±5% within 10 to 20 dS/cm range is

### Temperature

**Range**:  $-40 \text{ to } +50 \text{ }^{\circ}\text{C}$ 

**Resolution**:  $0.1 \,^{\circ}\text{C}$ **Accuracy**:  $\pm 0.5 \,^{\circ}\text{C}$ 

# **General Specifications**

Probe Dimensions: 45 x 15 x 145 mm

Prong Length: 70 mm

Measurement Time: 150 ms (milliseconds)
Power requirements: 3 x AA Alkaline batteries

Output: 2.4 GHz RF module

Operating Temperature: -40 to +50 °C

# **Customer Support**

If you ever need assistance with your sensor, or if you just have questions or feedback, please e-mail at <a href="mailto:support@phyto-sensor.com">sensor.com</a>. Please include as part of your message your name, address, phone, and fax number along with a description of your problem.



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