INSTRUCTION MANUAL

AquiStar® PT12

Pressure/Temperature Sensor

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Introduction

PT12 Pressure/Temperature Transducer

The PT12 Pressure Transducer represents the latest state-of-the-art technology and has been designed to provide trouble-free submersible operation in liquid environments, when properly installed and operated. This sensor communicates via SDI-12 (v1.3) or Modbus® protocol.

INW also carries a special version of the PT12 designed to measure barometric pressure in reference to absolute pressure. If you are using an absolute PT12, contact your INW representative for details on how our PT12-BV or PT12-BV/Compensator can facilitate obtaining barometrically compensated pressure/level.

Please take the time to read through this manual if you are not familiar with this product.

Initial Inspection and Handling

Upon receipt of your transducer, inspect the shipping package for damage. If any damage is apparent, note the signs of damage on the appropriate shipping form. After opening the carton, look for concealed damage such as a cut cable. If concealed damage is found, immediately file a claim with the carrier.

Check the etched label on the transducer to be sure that the proper range and type were provided. Also check the label attached to the cable at the connector end for the proper cable length.

Do's and Don'ts

Do handle the device with care.
Do store the device in a dry, inside area when not in use.
Do install a desiccant tube if you are doing long-term outdoor monitoring.

Don't install the device so that the connector end is submerged.
Don't support the device with the connector or with the connectors of an extension cable. Use a strain relief device to take the tension off the connectors.
Don't allow the device to free-fall down a well at high velocities as impact damage can occur.
Don't bang or drop the device on hard objects.
Don't disassemble the device. (The warranty is void if transducer is disassembled.)

How Pressure Sensors Work

The following paragraphs outline the basics of how pressure is measured using submersible pressure transducers:

Liquids and gasses do not retain a fixed shape. Both have the ability to flow and are often referred to as fluids. One fundamental law for a fluid is that the fluid exerts an equal pressure in all directions at a given level. Further, this pressure increases with an increasing depth of “submergence”. If the density of a fluid remains constant (noncompressible...a generally good assumption for water at “normal” pressures and temperatures), this pressure increases linearly with the depth of “submergence”.

We are all “submerged” in the atmosphere. As we increase our elevation, the pressure exerted on our bodies decreases as there is less of this fluid above us. It should be noted that atmospheric pressure at a given level does vary with changes in the weather. One standard atmosphere (pressure at sea level on a “normal” day) is defined to be 14.7 PSI (pounds per square inch).

There are several methods to reference a pressure measurement (see Figure 1). Absolute pressure is measured with respect to an ideal vacuum (no pressure). Gauge pressure is the most common way we express pressure in every day life and is the pressure exerted over and above atmospheric pressure. With this in mind, gauge pressure (Pg) can be expressed as the difference between the absolute pressure (Pa) and atmospheric pressure (Patm):

$$Pg = Pa - Patm$$

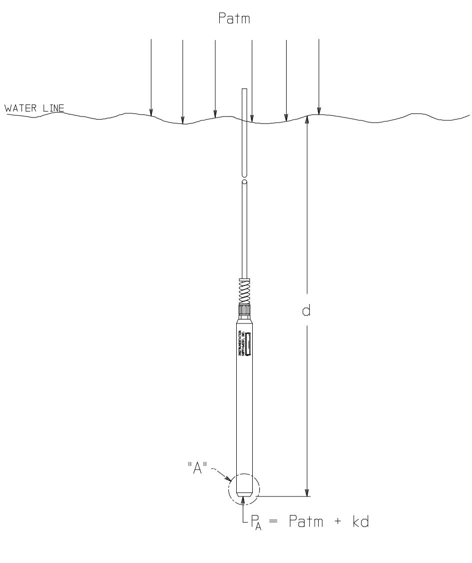


Figure 1: Pressure Diagram

To measure gauge pressure, atmospheric pressure is subjected to one side of the system and the pressure to be measured is subjected to the other. The result is that the differential (gauge pressure) is measured. A tire pressure gauge is a common example of this type of device.

Recall that as the level of submergence increases (in an incompressible fluid), the pressure increases linearly. Also, recall that changes in weather cause the absolute atmospheric pressure to change. In water, the absolute pressure Pa at some level of depth (d) is given as follows (see Figure 2):

$$Pa = Patm + kd$$

where k is simply a constant (i.e.: 2.307 ft of water = 1 PSI)

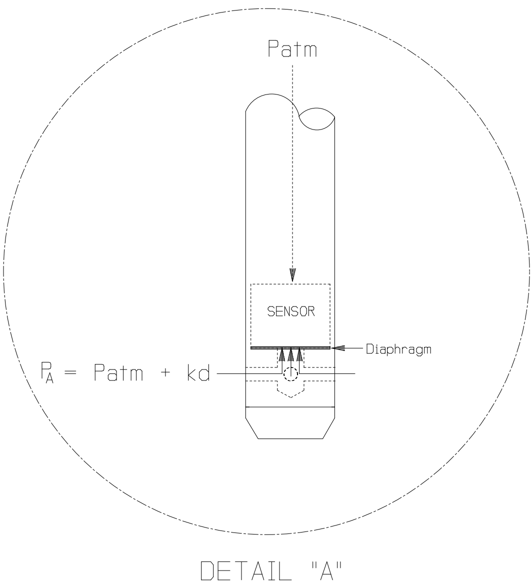


Figure 2: Pressure Diagram, Detail "A"

INW's standard gauge submersible pressure devices utilize a vent tube in the cable to allow the device to reference atmospheric pressure. The resulting gauge pressure measurement reflects only the depth of submergence. That is, the net pressure on the diaphragm (Figure 2) is due entirely to the depth of submergence.

Installation & Operation

The PT12 measures pressure, temperature, and supply voltage. The most common application is measuring liquid levels in wells and tanks. In order to do this, the transducer must be installed below the water level at a fixed depth. The installation depth depends on the range of the transducer. One (1) PSI is equal to approximately 2.31 feet of water. If you have a 5 PSI transducer, the range is 11.55 feet of water and the transducer should not be installed at a depth below 11.55 feet. If the transducer is installed below its maximum range, damage may result to the transducer and the output reading will not be correct.

Using with an SDI-12 Datalogger

The PT12 submersible pressure/temperature transducer represents the latest in state-of-the-art level measurement technology. This sensor was designed for use with SDI-12 dataloggers and provides a pressure, temperature, and supply voltage output. (See Appendix A for wiring information.)

To program, use a standard SDI-12 instruction set. (See Appendix B.) Temperature compensation math is applied to the pressure reading before returning the value. Pressure value are returned in PSI; temperature values are returned in degrees Celsius, and supply voltage values are returned in volts.

Every sensor is individually calibrated at the factory, using an environmental test chamber and dead-weight tester. Sensor specific calibration values are stored in the sensor. When taking measurements, the internal microprocessor uses these calibration values to thermally compensate the pressure readings.

In addition to the factory calibration values, the PT12 sensor can store a gain and offset for both temperature and pressure measurements, thus allowing the user to enter additional gain and offset values. (See Appendix B.)

Well Installation

Lower the transducer to the desired depth. Fasten the cable to the well head using tie wraps or a weather proof strain-relief system. When securing the cable, make sure not to pinch the cable too tightly or the vent tube inside the cable jacket may be sealed off. Take a measurement to insure the transducer is not installed below its maximum range. It is recommended that several readings be taken to insure proper operation after installation.

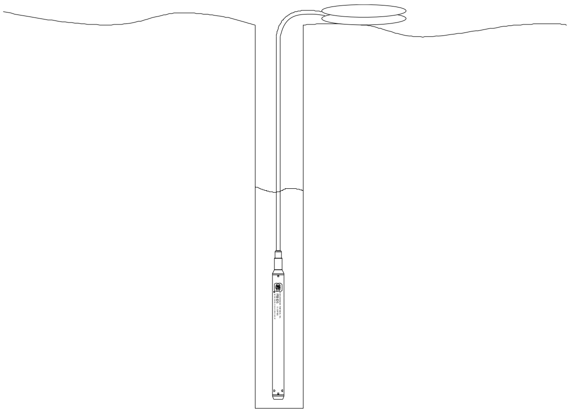


Figure 4: Installation

Notes:

- If the transducer is to be left in the well for a long-term monitoring application and the connector end is not in a dry, thermally-stable environment, a desiccant tube must be installed in line with the cable to prevent condensation in the cable vent tube. (See figure 5.) Water in the vent tube will cause inaccurate readings and, in time, will work its way into the transducer and damage it.
- **Proper grounding is very important!** INW recommends the following: (1) the sensor cable shield (the wrapped shield inside the cable) be attached to the power ground on the datalogger and (2) the grounding lug be connected via a 12 AWG or larger wire, to a grounding rod driven into the earth. It is also recommended that if you are using an external power supply to power the datalogger that it be tied to the same earth ground. (See also: Grounding Issues in the Trouble Shooting section of this manual.)

Other Installations

The transducer can be installed in any position; however, when it leaves the factory it is tested in the vertical position. Strapping the transducer body with tie wraps or tape will not hurt it. INW can provide an optional 1/4” NPT input adapter that is interchangeable with the standard end cone for those applications where it is necessary to directly attach the transducer to a pipe, tank or other pipe port. If the transducer is being installed in a fluid environment other than water, be sure to check the compatibility of the fluid with the wetted parts of the transducer. INW can provide a variety of seal materials if you are planning to install the transducer in an environment other than water.

Transducer: There are no user-serviceable parts. If problems develop with sensor stability or accuracy, contact INW. If the transducers have been exposed to hazardous materials, do not return them without notification and authorization.

Cable: Cable can be damaged by abrasion, sharp objects, twisting, crimping or crushing and pulling. Take care during installation and use to avoid cable damage. If a section of cable is damaged, it is recommended that you send your sensor back to replace the cable harness assembly.

Connectors (if used): The contact areas (pins & sockets) of the connectors will wear out with extensive use. If your application requires repeated connections, other types of connectors can be provided. The connectors used by INW are not submersible, but are designed to be splash-resistant.

Desiccant Tubes (for gauge or vented units): Inspect the desiccant tube at least once every two months. The desiccant tube prevents moisture in the air from being sucked into the vent tube, which can cause erratic readings and sensor damage.

The desiccant tube is filled with blue silica gel beads. A locking barb and a hydrophobic water filter are attached to the end of the desiccant tube. This filter prolongs the life of the desiccant as much as three times over a desiccant tube without the filter. This filter also prevents water intrusion should the desiccant tube be submerged under one to two feet of water.

If at all possible, install the sensor so that the desiccant tube will not flood or lie in water. (Note: Though the hydrophobic filter will prevent water intrusion via the desiccant tube, care must still be taken to keep the cable connector from being submerged.)

The desiccant is a bright blue color when active and dry. As moisture is absorbed the color will begin to fade, becoming a light pink, which indicates full saturation and time to replace. Replacement desiccant and hydrophobic filters can be purchased from INW; please contact an INW sales engineer at 1-800-776-9355 for more information.

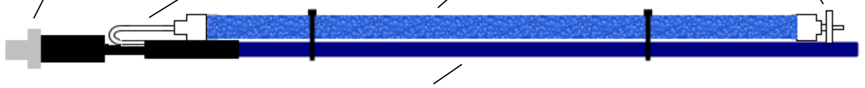


Figure 5: Desiccant Tube

Trouble Shooting

Erratic Readings

Erratic readings can be caused by a damaged transducer, damaged cable, poor connections or improper operation of readout equipment. In most cases, erratic readings are due to moisture getting into the system. Assuming that the readout equipment is working correctly, the first thing to check is the connection. Look for moisture between contacts or a loose or broken wire. If the connection appears OK, pull the transducer up a known distance while monitoring its output. If the transducer responds approximately as it should, but the reading is still erratic, most likely the cable is damaged. If the transducer does not respond approximately as it should, it is most likely that the sensor is damaged. In either case, consult the factory.

Erratic and erroneous readings can also occur due to improper grounding. See Grounding Issues, next page.

Oscillating Readings Over Time

If, after time, your transducer is functioning normally but your data is showing a cyclic effect in the absence of water level changes, you are probably seeing barometric changes. The amount is usually .5 to 1.5 feet of water. This can be caused by a plugged vent tube in the cable or actual water level changes in the aquifer itself in response to barometric pressure changes. This effect can occur in tight formations where the transducer will immediately pick up barometric changes but the aquifer will not. If you think you are having this type of problem you will have to record the barometric pressure as well as the water level pressure and compensate the data. If it appears that the vent tube is plugged, consult the factory.

If a desiccant tube is not installed in line with the cable, water may have condensed in your vent tube causing it to plug. After you are finished installing the desiccant tube you can test the vent tube by applying a small amount of pressure to the end of the desiccant tube and seeing if this affects the transducer reading.

Zero Readings When Pressurized

Continuous zero readings are caused by an open circuit which usually indicates broken cable, a bad connection, or possibly a damaged transducer. Check the connector to see if a wire has become loose, or if the cable has been cut. If neither of these appears to cause the problem, the transducer needs factory repair.

Grounding Issues

It is commonly known that when using electronic equipment, both personnel and equipment need to be protected from high power spikes that may be caused by lightning, power line surges, or faulty equipment. Without a proper grounding system, a power spike will find the path of least resistance to earth ground – whether that path is through sensitive electronic equipment or the person operating the equipment. In order to ensure safety and prevent equipment damage, a grounding system must be used to provide a low resistance path to ground.

When using several pieces of interconnected equipment, each of which may have its own ground, problems with noise, signal interference, and erroneous readings may be noted. This is caused by a condition known as a *Ground Loop*. Because of natural resistance in the earth between the grounding points, current can flow between the points, creating an unexpected voltage difference and resulting erroneous readings.

The single most important step in minimizing a ground loop is to tie all equipment (sensors, dataloggers, external power sources and any other associated equipment) to a **single common grounding point.** INW recommends the following: (1) the sensor cable shield (the wrapped shield inside the cable) be attached to the power ground on the datalogger and (2) the grounding lug be connected via a 12 AWG or larger wire, to a grounding rod driven into the earth. It is also recommended that if you are using an external power supply to power the datalogger that it be tied to the same earth ground.

Appendix A: Technical Specifications

Transducer Components

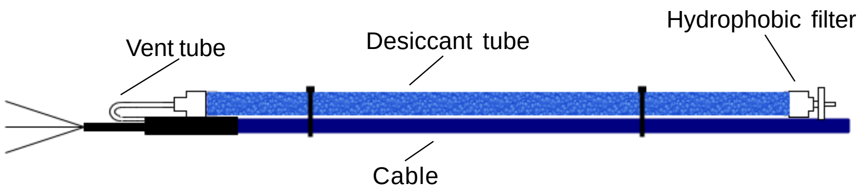
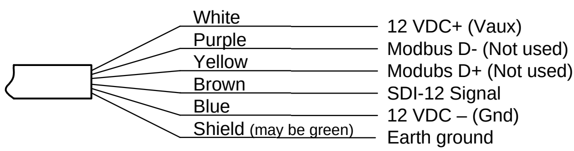


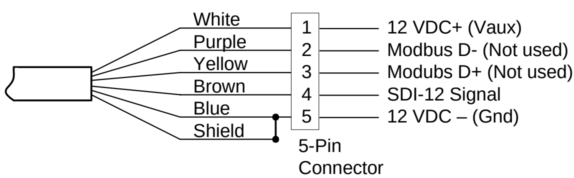
Figure 6: Components

Wiring Information

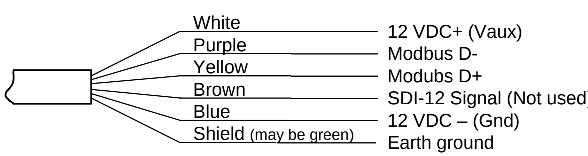
For SDI-12
— without connector



For SDI-12
— with 5-pin connector



For Modbus®
— without connector



For Modbus® with
— with 5-pin connector

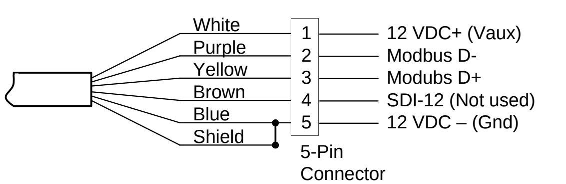


Figure 7: Connections

Electrical Specifications

Pressure Static Accuracy	±0.1% FSO (maximum) *B.F.S.L. 25° C*
	±0.06% FSO (typical)
Maximum Zero Offset	±0.25% FSO *at 25° C*
Resolution	16 bit
Over Range Protection	2x (except 300 PSIA and higher)
Compensated Temperature Range	
Standard	-20° C to 40° C
Extended	-40° C to 60° C
Operating Temperature Range	
Standard	-20° C to 60° C
Extended	-40° C to 80° C

Mechanical Specifications

<u>Transducer:</u>

Length	8 inches (20.3 cm)
Diameter	0.75 inches (1.9 cm)
Body Material	316 stainless steel (Titanium available)
Wire Seal Material	Viton® and Teflon®
Desiccant Tube	Included
Terminating Connector	Available Option
Weight	0.8 lbs. (0.4 kg)

<u>Cable:</u>

O.D.	0.28 inch maximum (0.7 cm)
Cable Jacket	Polyurethane, Polyethylene, or Teflon®
Conductor Type	9-conductor, vented
Vent Tube	Nylon
Break Strength	138 lbs. (62.7 kg)
Maximum Length	200 ft. (61 m) for SDI-12
	2000 ft. (610 m) for Modbus®
Weight	4 lbs. per 100 feet (1.8 kg per 30 m)

Power Supply

Voltage	9.0 to 16.0 VDC
Current - Active	3 mA Avg / 10mA Peak
Current - Sleep	150uA

Miscellaneous

Measurement Latency	Approx. 1.3 seconds
Default Address	See documentation supplied with each sensor.

Appendix B: SDI-12 Commands and Register Definitions

SDI-12 Command Nomenclature

a = Sensor address
{crc} = SDI-12 compatible 3-character CRC
<cr> = ASCII carriage return character
<lf> = ASCII line feed character

Following commands are shown in the format of:
cmd *response // comments*

SDI-12 Commands

<u>Query and Setup Commands</u>

//*** Sensor Identification
aI! a13 INWUSA PT120.7ssssssssss<cr><lf> // note: 0.7 will change to reflect current firmware revision
ssssssssss = device serial #

//*** Acknowledge Active
a! a<cr><lf>

//*** Address Query
?! a<cr><lf>

//*** Change Address
aAb! b<cr><lf> // change address from a to b

<u>Request measurement</u>

aM! a0023<cr><lf> // request pressure/temperature/voltage measurement
aD0! a+7.15863+25.0000+12.0512<cr><lf> // read pressure (psi), temperature (°C), voltage (V)

aM1! a0021<cr><lf> // request pressure measurement only
aD0! a+7.15863<cr><lf> // read pressure (psi)

aM2! a0021<cr><lf> // request temperature measurement only
aD0! a+25.0000<cr><lf> // read temperature (°C)

aM3! a0021<cr><lf> // request power supply voltage measurement
aD0! a+12.0512<cr><lf> // read power supply voltage (V)

aM4! a0ttt4<cr><lf> // request averaged data. ttt depends upon programmed average duration
aD0! a+7.15863+7.23215+7.05128+25.0000<cr><lf>
// read Ave Pressure, Max Pressure, Min Pressure, Ave Temperature

M5!, M6!, and M7! only available on PT12-BV/PT12 combination units!

aM5! a0023<cr><lf> // request barometrically compensated down-hole pressure, down-hole temperature, surface temperature measurement

aD0! a+2.58613+19.2100+21.0512<cr><lf> // read barometrically compensated down-hole pressure, down-hole temperature, surface temperature

aM6! a0024<cr><lf> // request non-barometrically compensated down-hole pressure, down-hole temperature, surface pressure, surface temperature measurement

aD0! a+17.31813+19.2100+14.732+21.0512<cr><lf>
// read non-barometrically compensated down-hole pressure, down-hole temperature, surface pressure, surface temperature

aM7! atttl<cr><lf> // request averaged, barometrically compensated pressure. ttt depends upon programmed average

aD0! a+7.12050<cr><lf> // averaged barometrically compensated pressure

Request measurement with CRC

aMC! a0023<cr><lf> // request pressure/temperature/voltage measurement

aD0! a+7.15863+25.0000+12.0512{crc}<cr><lf> // read pressure (psi), temperature (°C), voltage (V)

aMC1! a0021<cr><lf> // request pressure measurement only

aD0! a+7.15863{crc}<cr><lf> // read pressure (psi)

aMC2! a0021<cr><lf> // request temperature measurement only

aD0! a+25.0000{crc}<cr><lf> // read temperature (°C)

aMC3! a0021<cr><lf> // request power supply voltage measurement

aD0! a+12.0512{crc}<cr><lf> // read power supply voltage (V)

aMC4! a0ttt4<cr><lf> // request averaged data. ttt depends upon programmed average duration

aD0! a+7.15863+7.23215+7.05128+25.0000{crc}<cr><lf>
// read Ave Pressure, Max Pressure, Min Pressure, Ave Temperature

MC5!, MC6!, and MC7! only available on PT12-BV/PT12 combination units!

aMC5! a0023<cr><lf> // request barometrically compensated down-hole pressure, down-hole temperature, surface temperature measurement

aD0! a+2.58613+19.2100+21.0512{crc}<cr><lf>
// read barometrically compensated down-hole pressure, down-hole temperature, surface temperature

aMC6! a0024<cr><lf> // request non-barometrically compensated down-hole pressure, down-hole temperature, surface pressure, surface temperature measurement

aD0! a+17.31813+19.2100+14.732+21.0512{crc}<cr><lf> // read non-barometrically compensated down-hole pressure, down-hole temperature, surface pressure, surface temperature

aMC7! atttl<cr><lf> // request averaged, barometrically compensated pressure. ttt depends upon programmed average

aD0! a+7.12050<cr><lf> // averaged barometrically compensated pressure

<u>Concurrent measurement</u>

aC! a00203<cr><lf> // request pressure/temperature/voltage measurement

aD0! a+7.15863+25.0000+12.0512<cr><lf> // read pressure (psi), temperature (°C), voltage (V)

aC1! a00201<cr><lf> // request pressure measurement only

aD0! a+7.15863 // read pressure (psi)

aC2! a00201<cr><lf> // request temperature measurement only

aD0! a+25.0000<cr><lf> // read temperature (°C)

aC3! a00201<cr><lf> // request power supply voltage measurement

aD0! a+12.0512<cr><lf> // read power supply voltage (V)

aC4! a0ttt04<cr><lf> // request averaged data. ttt depends upon programmed average duration

aD0! a+7.15863+7.23215+7.05128+25.0000<cr><lf> // read Ave Pressure, Max Pressure, Min Pressure, Ave Temperature

C5!, C6!, and C7! only available on PT12-BV/PT12 combination units!

aC5! a00203<cr><lf> // request barometrically compensated down-hole pressure, down-hole temperature, surface temperature measurement

aD0! a+2.58613+19.2100+21.0512<cr><lf> // read barometrically compensated down-hole pressure, down-hole temperature, surface temperature

aC6! a00204<cr><lf> // request non-barometrically compensated down-hole pressure, down-hole temperature, surface pressure, surface temperature measurement

aD0! a+17.31813+19.2100+14.732+21.0512<cr><lf> // read non-barometrically compensated down-hole pressure, down-hole temperature, surface pressure, surface temperature

aC7! attt01<cr><lf> // request averaged, barometrically compensated pressure. ttt depends upon programmed average

aD0! a+7.12050<cr><lf> // averaged barometrically compensated pressure

Concurrent measurement with CRC

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aCC!   a00203<cr><lf>                          // request pressure/temperature/voltage
                                                  measurement
aD0!   a+7.15863+25.0000+12.0512{crc}<cr><lf>  // read pressure (psi),
                                                  temperature (°C), voltage (V)

aCC1!  a00201<cr><lf>                          // request pressure measurement only
aD0!   a+7.15863{crc}<cr><lf>                  // read pressure (psi)

aCC2!  a00201<cr><lf>                          // request temperature measurement only
aD0!   a+25.0000{crc}<cr><lf>                  // read temperature (°C)

aCC3!  a00201<cr><lf>                          // request power supply voltage measurement
aD0!   a+12.0512{crc}<cr><lf>                  // read power supply voltage (V)

aCC4!  a0ttt04<cr><lf>                         // request averaged data. ttt depends upon
                                                  programmed average duration
aD0!   a+7.15863+7.23215+7.05128+25.0000{crc}<cr><lf>
                                               // read Ave Pressure,  Max Pressure,
                                                  Min Pressure, Ave Temperature
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CC5!, CC6!, and CC7! only available on PT12-BV/PT12 combination units!

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aCC5!  a00203<cr><lf>                          // request barometrically compensated down-hole
                                                  pressure, down-hole temperature, surface
                                                  temperature measurement
aD0!   a+2.58613+19.2100+21.0512{crc}<cr><lf>
                                               // read barometrically compensated down-hole
                                                  pressure, down-hole temperature, surface
                                                  temperature
aCC6!  a00204<cr><lf>                          // request non-barometrically compensated down-
                                                  hole pressure, down-hole temperature, surface
                                                  pressure, surface temperature measurement
aD0!   a+17.31813+19.2100+14.732+21.0512{crc}<cr><lf>
                                               // read non-barometrically compensated down-
                                                  hole pressure, down-hole temperature, surface
                                                  pressure, surface temperature
aCC7  attt01<cr><lf>                           // request averaged, barometrically compensated
                                                  pressure. ttt depends upon programmed
                                                  average
aD0!  a+7.12050<cr><lf>                        // averaged barometrically compensated pressure
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Extended Commands

//*** Set duration for averaging reading

aXAttt!	attt<cr><lf>	// set duration of averaged data for M4 command
		// ttt = 1..997 seconds

//*** Read/Modify Calibration Values

aXCnn{=<value>}!	a<value><cr><lf>	// read{modify} calibration value nn

examples:

aXC00!	a+1.591600e-5<CR><LF>	// read value of calibration register 00
aXC00=1.704e-4!	a+1.704000e-4<CR><LF>	// set value of calibration register 00

//*** Set number of significant digits

aXSt!	at<cr><lf>	// set # of significant digits for SDI-12 report data
		// t = 1..7

Calibration Register Definitions

All calibration registers contain floating point values.

SDI-12 REG ID	Mnemonic	Description	Default Value
00	Scale	Units scale *(Counts * Scale = base units, default psi)*	1.591600E-5
01	a	Factory cal-linearized correction factor 1	0.000000E+00
02	b	Factory cal-linearized correction factor 2	1.000000E+00
03	m0	Factory cal-slope coefficient 0	1.000000E+00
04	m1	Factory cal-slope coefficient 1	0.000000E+00
05	m2	Factory cal-slope coefficient 2	0.000000E+00
06	b0	Factory cal-offset coefficient 0	0.000000E+00
07	b1	Factory cal-offset coefficient 1	0.000000E+00
08	b2	Factory cal-offset coefficient 2	0.000000E+00
09	mField	Field pressure cal-slope	1.000000E+00
10	bField	Field pressure cal-offset	0.000000E+00
11	mT	Field temperature cal-slope	1.000000E+00
12	bT	Field temperature cal-offset	0.000000E+00
13	T_Alpha	Factory Temperature Cal-Alpha	0.000000E+00
14	T_Offset	Factory Temperature Cal-Offset	0.000000E+00
15	T_ZeroSlope	Factory Temperature Cal-ZeroSlope	0.000000E+00
16	P_mUnits	Pressure units conversion slope	1.000000E+00
17	P_bUnits	Pressure units conversion offset	0.000000E+00
18	T_mUnits	Temperature units conversion slope	1.000000E+00
19	T_bUnits	Temperature units conversion offset	0.000000E+00

Factory calibration values are set at the factory.
Writing to Factory Calibration registers will void calibration!!

Field calibration values can be set by user. If set, these values will be applied to readings before values are returned.

Appendix C: Taking Modbus® Readings

Register Definitions

Modbus® Functions
Read the values in the registers using function 03-Read Holding Registers.

Parameter data
32-bit ieee floating point values, read-only
These registers must be read as pairs

40001-2	Pressure (psi)
40003-4	Temperature (degrees C)
40005-6	Power supply voltage (volts)

Statistical data values

40007-8	Averaged pressure
40009-10	Maximum pressure
40011-12	Minimum pressure
40013-14	Averaged temperature

Calibration and conversion constants
32-bit ieee floating point values, read/write

Register	Mnemonic	Description		
40201-2	Scale	Factory calibration	-	Pressure units scale
40203-4	a	Factory calibration	-	Pressure linearization 1
40205-6	b	Factory calibration	-	Pressure linearization 2
40207-8	m0	Factory calibration	-	Pressure slope 0
40209-10	m1	Factory calibration	-	Pressure slope 1
40211-12	m2	Factory calibration	-	Pressure slope 2
40213-14	b0	Factory calibration	-	Pressure offset 0
40215-16	b1	Factory calibration	-	Pressure offset 1
40217-18	b2	Factory calibration	-	Pressure offset 2
40219-20	mField	Field calibration	-	Pressure slope
40221-22	bField	Field calibration	-	Pressure offset
40223-24	mT	Field calibration	-	Temperature slope
40225-26	bT	Field calibration	-	Temperature offset
40227-28	T_Alpha	Factory calibration	-	Temperature alpha
40229-30	T_Offset	Factory calibration	-	Temperature offset
40231-32	T_ZeroSlope	Factory calibration	-	Temperature slope
40233-34	P_mUnits	Pressure Units	-	Conversion slope
40235-36	P_bUnits	Pressure Units	-	Conversion offset
40237-38	T_mUnits	Temperature Units	-	Conversion slope
40239-40	T_bUnits	Temperature Units	-	Conversion offset

Factory calibration values are set at the factory.
Writing to Factory Calibration registers will void calibration!!

Field calibration values can be set by user. If set, these values will be applied to readings before values are returned.

Sensor configuration/control

40301=n	Set **averaging**: This enables sensor for n seconds (Read/ Write). Each second, the statistical data registers will be updated to contain new averages, max and min. At the completion of n seconds, the final statistical values will be left in the registers, and the sensor will be put to sleep. n = 0..10,800. If n = 0, the sensor is put to sleep, and the statistical data values are not updated.
40401=a	Set **sensor address** = a (Write Only)
40501=b	Set **baud rate** according to b (Write Only) b=0:38400 b=1:19200 b=2:9600 b=3:4800 b=4:2400 b=5:1200
40601=w	Set **auto-enable**. Causes sensor to be enabled automatically for w seconds after a read of any parameter data register. W=0 disables auto-enable. (This is normally set to 10 seconds at the factory.) For lowest power usage, set this to zero. For fastest readings while still retaining as much power savings as possible, set slightly longer than your read frequency. See section on next page for information on how this setting affects your readings.
40701=L	Set **serial number**. L= unsigned longword value 0x0000000..0xFFFFFFF (0..4,294,967,295)
40801	Read sensor firmware revision. Word MSB = Major revision, LSB = minor revision. E.g., 0011 = revision 0.11

Readings and the Auto-Enable Setting

When a reading is requested, four things happen:

1. The sensor wakes up.
2. The current value in the register is returned.
3. The sensor turns on the analog portion, begins sampling, and begins putting the new values in the registers.

4a. If auto-enable is set to a positive value *w*, the sensor stays awake for *w* seconds, sampling and moving values into the registers all the while, and then goes to sleep.

4b. If auto-enable is set to zero, the sensor immediately goes to sleep after putting the reading in the register.

If your read frequency is less than the auto-enable value, the sensor will stay on continously, and your readigns will always be fresh, with the exception of the very first reading.

If your read frequency is greater than the auto-enable value, the following reading sequence is recommended:

1. Request a reading. This begins the wakeup process on the sensor and returns the value currently in the register, which will be old data. Throw this value away.
2. Wait one second, and then take another reading. This reading will have fresh data. Record this reading.

Note: This sequence applies only to Modbus® direct read. If reading the sensor via SDI-12, the warmup timing is automatically taken care of.

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