

User Manual

200-WS-23-DP

Current Loop Wind Sensor with Display



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1 FORWARD

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2 INTRODUCTION

The **200-WS-23-DP Current Loop Wind Sensor** displays wind speed (in meters per second*) and wind direction (degrees) on two large 1-inch, 3 ½ digit LCD panel meters visible through the clear front cover of the control unit. Internal circuitry converts each measurement into a 4-20 mA output signal for use by process controls or monitoring systems. The system includes an AC adapter to power the system.

The **200-WS-02FA Wind Speed and Direction** sensor is ruggedly constructed using UV-resistant ABS plastic and anodized aluminum parts. The base of the anemometer mounts to a 1.07" (27 mm) diameter mast (sold separately). The cable is 40 feet (12 m) long and can be extended up to 250 feet (76 m).

Wind speed is sensed by rotating cups connected to a hub with 3 magnets. A reed switch in the base senses the magnets and closes briefly three times per revolution of the cups. The speed constant is 1.25 mph = 1 Hz (0.5588 m/s = 1 Hz).

Wind direction is sensed by a 20k ohm potentiometer mechanically connected to the wind vane. A small excitation voltage across the potentiometer generates a voltage on the wiper element proportional to wind direction. The anemometer must be installed with the North indicating label oriented to the North Pole in order for the measurements to be meaningful.

It is important to earth ground the anemometer using the shield wire included in the cable. A screw terminal in the display box is provided for connecting the shield wire, but it is up to the installer to provide a suitable wire from the screw terminal to an earth ground near the display box.

* May be scaled in miles per hour – specify at time of order.

3 SPECIFICATIONS

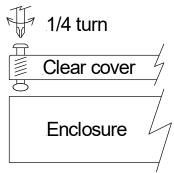
Display Unit / Transmitter Specifications	Display Unit / Transmitter Specifications					
Display meters	3 ½ digits, 1" (24.9 mm) 7 segment high contrast LCD					
Wind Speed Transmitter Output	4 mA = 0 m/s, 20 mA = 50 m/s standard (0-100 MPH scale optional)					
Wind Direction Transmitter Output	4 mA = 0 degrees, 20 mA = 360 degrees					
Power supply	AC Adapter, 100-240 VAC input / 24 VDC output					
Operating temperature range	-10 to +50°C					
Storage temperature range	-40 to +75°C					
Dimensions	4.75" x 7.875" x 3.00" (121 x 200 x 76 mm)					
Wind Speed Sensor						
Measurement range	0-112 mph (0-50 m/s)					
Speed Constant	1.25 mph = 1 Hz (0.5588 m/s = 1 Hz)					
Transducer type	Reed switch					
Speed Threshold	0.8 mph (0.4 m/s)					
Accuracy	1 mph or ± 3%					
Wind Direction Sensor						
Range	0-360 degrees azimuth					
Transducer type	Potentiometer, 20k ohms, conductive plastic					
Potentiomenter gap	5 degrees					
Azimuth accuracy	± 3 degrees					
Threshold	1.2 mph (0.5 m/s)					
Bearings	Bushing					
General						
Anemometer mount	1.07" dia. (27 mm)					
Anemometer cable	5 conductor, 24 AWG, shielded, 40' length standard					

4 INSTALLATION

Please refer to the 200-WS-02FA Wind Speed and Direction Sensor user manual for information on installation and maintenance of the anemometer. Pay particular attention to the location of the sensor and align the wind vane to North for best results. Route the cable indoors to the location where the display unit will be installed.

Locate the display unit indoors near a power source. The unit may be fastened to a wall at a convenient height for easy viewing. Remove the clear front cover to access the mounting hole locations at the corners of the enclosure (Appendix A).

Mounting screws are not included; the installer will need to supply screws and wall anchors suitable for the wall material.



5 CONNECTIONS

WARNING: DISCONNECT THE AC POWER SUPPLY FROM THE DISPLAY UNIT BEFORE OPENING THE UNIT

Remove the clear cover of the display unit and set it aside. Remove the four nylon acorn nuts at the corners of the faceplate and carefully lift out the faceplate. Support the faceplate while working inside the enclosure, DO NOT ALLOW THE FACEPLATE TO HANG FROM THE WIRING HARNESS.

Insert the wind speed sensor cable through the center gland on the bottom of the enclosure. Follow the wire installation diagram (Appendix B) while connecting the wires. Be sure to connect the shield wire to the earth grounding terminal. Provide a suitable wire from the grounding terminal to an earth ground outside the enclosure.

5.1 Pre-test and Stand-alone Display Wiring

Do not remove the 100 ohm resistors from the 4-20mA Loop terminal block at this time*. Instead, put the faceplate assembly back on the support studs and use at least one acorn nut to keep it there. Connect the AC power supply to the barrel connector on the bottom of the enclosure, and then plug the adapter into a wall outlet.

Inspect the displays, which should now be showing wind speed and wind direction indications. The display should update every one second, so if there is a breeze the numbers should be changing frequently. If there is no wind it will be necessary to manually turn the wind vane and the cup assembly to verify that the display is changing and therefore the system is working.

5.2 Data Control System (DCS) Wiring

WARNING: DISCONNECT THE AC POWER SUPPLY FROM THE DISPLAY UNIT BEFORE OPENING THE UNIT

Perform the Section 5.1 pre-test to ensure proper operation before connecting your DCS. Review the wire diagram (Appendix B). Note that the **+Wind Speed** terminal is the 4-20 mA signal output, and the **-Wind Speed** terminal is the return to ground. The resistor allows the display to operate while the unit is not connected to your monitoring system. Remove the resistor before connecting to your monitoring equipment.

Repeat the above instructions for the **+Wind Direction** and **-Wind Direction** connections.

Install the faceplate assembly on the mounting studs and secure with at least one acorn nut. Apply power to your monitoring equipment, then connect the AC adapter to power the display unit. Verify that the wind speed and direction readings are visible and that they change when there is a breeze to move the anemometer.

***NOTE:** The system will not operate correctly without either the resistors or the DCS system connected. The displays will show maximum values if there is no resistance in the circuit between the + and – terminals.

Loop Current	Wind Speed (m/s)	Wind Speed (MPH)	Wind Dire	ction (Deg)
4.0	0.00	0.00	0	N
6.0	6.25	12.50	45	NE
8.0	12.50	25.00	90	E
10.0	18.75	37.50	135	SE
12.0	25.00	50.00	180	S
14.0	31.25	62.50	225	SW
16.0	37.50	75.00	270	W
18.0	43.75	87.50	315	NW
20.0	50.00	100.00	360	N

Calibrate your monitoring equipment so that it records the same information as the displays are indicating. The following table shows expected values.

5.3 Final Installation

Complete the installation by tightening the gland nuts to secure the cables where they enter the display enclosure. Install the faceplate and secure it with the four provided nylon acorn nuts. Replace the clear cover over the faceplate and secure it with the provided screws. Secure the cables and other wiring with cable ties or staples as required to complete the installation.

6 CALIBRATION

The **200-WS-23-DP Current Loop Wind Sensor** is pre-calibrated and should require no adjustment over its lifetime. However, if the cable from the sensor to the display unit is extended beyond the 40' (12 m) standard length, then resistance losses can introduce errors in the wind direction readings.

A calibration procedure is beyond the scope of this manual. However, for those with the technical expertise, the board can be adjusted by means of multi-turn potentiometers located on the 4-20 mA driver circuit board.

	Offset	Span
Wind Speed	R-33	R-17
Wind Direction	R-26	R-28



