

# Wind Speed & Direction Sensor



## **Key Features**

- Wind Speed & Direction Sensor
- 0-60m/s (116 knots) Wind Speed
- 0-359° Wind Direction
- NMEA output

Low Power consumption

■ Fast start-up

■ Solid-state – maintenance-free

Corrosion Free

The Gill WindSonic is a low-cost anemometer, which utilises Gill's proven ultrasonic technology to provide wind speed and direction data via one serial or two analogue outputs. To confirm correct operation, outputs are transmitted together with an instrument status code.

With a robust, corrosion-free polycarbonate housing, this small, lightweight wind sensor is recommended for use in harsh environmental conditions and is particularly suited to marine & offshore (ships, data buoys) and land based installations. The WindSonic has no moving parts, offering maintenance-free operation in a wide range of applications.



#### **WIND SPEED**

Range	0 - 60 m/s (116 knots)
Accuracy	±2% @12 m/s
Resolution	0.01 m/s (0.02 knots)
Response Time	0.25 seconds
Threshold	0.01 m/s

## **DIRECTION**

Range	0 - 359° (No dead band)
Accuracy	±2° @12 m/s
Resolution	1°
Response Time	0.25 seconds

## **MEASUREMENT**

Ultrasonic Output Rate	0.25, 0.5, 1, 2 or 4 Hz
Parameters	Wind Speed & Direction or U and V (vectors)
Units of Measure	m/s, knots, mph, kph, ft/min

## **OUTPUTS**

Option 1	RS232
Option 2	RS232 + RS422 + RS485*** + NMEA*
Option 3	RS232 + RS422 + RS485*** + NMEA* 0-5V or, 0-20mA or 4-20mA
Option 4	SDI-12 (refer to manual or separate data- sheet for technical specification)
Baud Rate	2400 to 38400
Anemometer Status	Supplied as part of standard message

## **POWER REQUIREMENT**

Anemometer	5-30VDC Option 1 & 2
	7-30VDC Option 3
	9-30VDC Option 4
Current Drain	Dependent on option selected e.g. < 2mA @ 12V (SDI-12) to 44mA @ 12V (4-20mA) Refer to manual for further advice
	Start up time < 5 seconds

#### **MECHANICAL**

External Construction	LURAN S KR 2861/1C ASA/PC
Size	142mm x 163mm
Weight	0.5kg

### **ENVIRONMENTAL**

Protection Class	IP66
OperatingTemperature	-35°C to +70°C
Storage Temperature	-40°C to +80°C
Operating Humidity	< 5% to 100% RH
Precipitation	300mm/hr
EMC	EN 61326: 1998

### **OPERATIONAL**

MTBF	15 years
Warranty	2 years
Factory Calibration	Traceable to National Standards

## **ACCESSORIES**

Pipe Mounting	44.45mm (1.75 in) diameter
Wind Software	Display / Logging**
Cables	Available to match output options
Display	See Gill Display datasheet

<sup>\*</sup> NMEA 0183

<sup>\*\*</sup> Download software free from www.gillinstruments.com

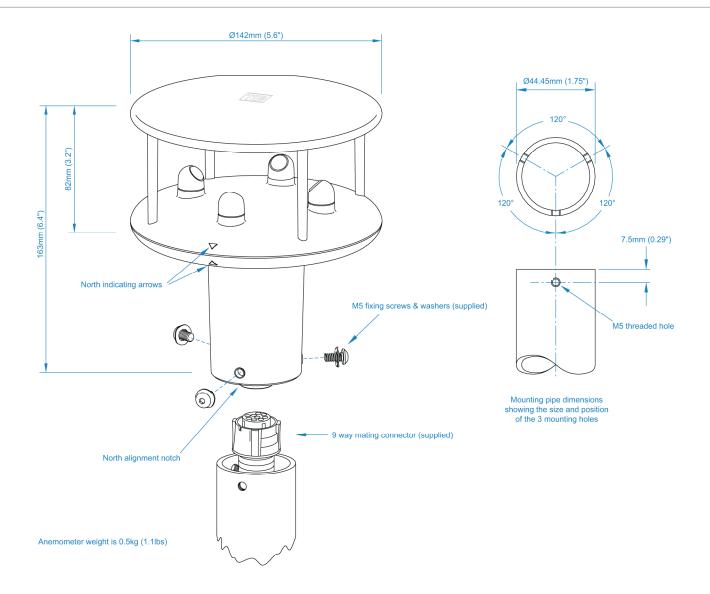
<sup>\*\*\* 2-</sup>wire is point to point only



# **Typical Applications**

- Remote weather monitoring stations
- **Building controls**
- **Data buoys**
- Marine vessels
- **Small airports & helipads**

- **Road & rail tunnels**
- **Environmental field sites**
- **Ports & harbours**
- Mobile weather monitoring vehicles
- Coastal weather monitoring stations



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