

# Humidity Transducer

## Model HU-224/225



- Ultra-fast response polymer capacitance sensor
- Not affected by condensation, fog, high humidity or contaminants
- Highly accurate, repeatable, stable output with negligible hysteresis
- Wide 12-40 VDC/12-35 VAC unregulated supply voltage
- Two temperature compensated output versions, 4-20 mA 2-wire or field selectable 0-5 VDC/0-10 VDC
- Non-interacting zero and span trimmers
- NIST traceable  $\pm 2\%$  or  $\pm 3\%$  calibration
- Two enclosure types NEMA 4 (IP-65) duct mount or aesthetically appealing ABS plastic wall mount
- Short circuit and reverse polarity protected
- Conforms to EMC standards EN50082-1/EN55014/EN60730-1

The HU-224/225 is an extremely fast, stable and accurate humidity transducer designed for harsh environments. The polymer capacitance sensor is not affected by harsh contaminants, condensation, fog or extremely high humidity over a prolonged period of time. If dust or other contaminants accumulate on the sensor, the probe can be washed in industrial grade isopropyl alcohol and put back in service without any calibration shift. Each unit is individually calibrated in an environmental test chamber to meet or exceed NIST traceable  $\pm 2\%$  or  $\pm 3\%$  accuracies. The HU-224/225 is temperature compensated for  $-30^{\circ}\text{F}$  to  $-130^{\circ}\text{F}$  operation with negligible error. For space humidity, an aesthetically appealing ABS enclosure which may be flush mounted or fits a standard 2" x 4" handy box is available and for duct humidity applications, a rugged NEMA 4 (IP-65) steel enclosure with external mounting bracket is also available. Two enclosure types, field selectable outputs, fully temperature compensated NIST traceable accuracy, non-interacting zero and span adjustments, short circuit and reverse polarity protected output, and a liberal two year warranty are some of the features which make the HU-224/225 the industry's highest performance, most reliable humidity transducer.

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The HU-224/225 incorporates a bulk polymer capacitive ultra-fast sensing element which is immune to most contaminants and at the same time provides a stable, repeatable, and accurate humidity measurement with negligible hysteresis. The sensing element is not affected by condensation. In fact, it may be immersed in distilled water without degrading the calibration accuracy. The HU-224/225 utilizes sophisticated integrated circuits to provide a high level, fully conditioned, and temperature compensated output.

On VDC output units, two additional field selectable options are available; dual outputs 0-5 or 0-10 VDC, and dual unregulated supply voltages 12-35 VAC or 12-40 VDC. By merely moving a shorting plug, one can select the desired output for the specific application. As far as supply voltage is concerned, the unit automatically configures for AC or DC and no field selection is necessary. Another feature is that the output is fully protected from short circuit to ground, or if the supply voltage is applied by mistake to the output. Past experience demonstrates that field related wiring problems do occur. Instead of denying this fact, this protection circuit is designed in to ensure trouble-free start-up. The VDC output unit is also designed to handle low impedance circuits. In fact, the unit can drive up to 1k ohm minimum. In this way, multiple controllers, indicators, or other devices can be paralleled to the output without performance degradation.

The mA output units can function over a wide unregulated supply voltage range: 12-40 VDC without any effect on calibration or performance. The unit has reverse polarity protection built in. As a result, it is next to impossible to damage the unit by mis-wiring. By using sophisticated low drop-out voltage regulators and CMOS integrated circuits, the

mA output unit can drive very high output impedance. In fact, with only 12 VDC supply, the unit can drive 400 ohms. At 40 VDC, the unit is capable of handling up to 3000 ohms load. In this way, the output loop can be tied in series to multiple controllers, indicators, and other devices without degrading the performance.

NIST traceable humidity standards are utilized to calibrate and certify the HU-224/225. Calibration data on each unit is archived digitally for SPC and QC purposes. All automated calibration systems are networked and data is available on-line to numerous individuals at the same time. In this way, extremely high standards of quality and calibration integrity are maintained.

The HU-224/225 incorporates a rugged NEMA 4 (IP-65) fully gasketed, dust proof and splash proof enclosure for monitoring duct humidity or an aesthetically appealing ABS plastic wall mount enclosure for monitoring space humidity. The enclosure has an external mounting bracket to facilitate field installation. A 1/2" (.875"/22.25mm dia.) knock-out for conduit connection is also provided. A liquid tight cable connector is also supplied if the unit is not being hard wired. Once installed, the enclosure maintains its environmental rating and protects the electronics and the sensing element from condensation, corrosive contaminants and other environmental pollutants. The wall mount enclosure may be flush mounted on any flat surface or fits a standard 2" x 4" handy box. Louvers are provided on the top and bottom of the enclosure to ensure ample air flow for fast response. Both enclosure options also have additional features for ease of installation including unpluggable terminal block, easily accessible zero and span trimmers, and conveniently located shorting plugs for field selection.

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## SPECIFICATIONS:

**Accuracy\*:**  $\pm 2\%$ / $\pm 3\%$  RH

**Range:** 0-100% RH

**Hysteresis:**  $\pm 1\%$

**Supply Voltage:** 12-40 VDC  
12-35 VAC (VDC output units only)

**Supply Current:** VDC Units - 10 mA max.  
mA Units - 20 mA max.

**Enclosure:** 18 Ga C. R. Steel NEMA 4 (IP-65)  
or ABS Plastic

**Finish:** Baked on enamel-PMS2GR88B  
or off-white

**Conformance:** EMC Standards EN50082-1(1992)  
EN55014(1993)/EN60730-1(1992)

**Compensated Temp Range:** -30°F-130°F (-35°C-55°C)

**Environmental:** 10-90% RH Non-Condensing

**Termination:** Unpluggable screw terminal block

**Wire Size:** 12 Ga max.

**Load Impedance:** 3K ohms max. at 40 VDC (mA  
output units) 1K ohms min. (VDC output units)

**Weight:** Duct mount: 1.0 lbs. (.45 kg)  
Wall mount: 0.5 lbs. (.25 kg)

*\*Includes non-linearity and non-repeatability*

## Ordering Information: HU-

PACKAGING	ACCURACY	OUTPUT
224 (duct mount)	$\pm 2\%$	mA (4-20 mA 2-wire)
225 (wall mount)	$\pm 3\%$	VDC (0-5 VDC or 0-10 VDC field selectable)

**Example:** HU-224-2-mA: Duct Humidity Transducer  $\pm 2\%$  RH accuracy with 4-20 mA output.

**CAUTION:** Do not use in explosive/hazardous environments or with flammable/combustible media.

