

PM880 AC

Panometrics Portable Hygrometer

Applications

This rugged, line-powered, portable hygrometer measures moisture in gases and non-aqueous liquids. It is used in conjunction with Moisture Image® Series (MIS), TF and M Series moisture probes for applications including:

- Chemical and petrochemical gases
- Non-aqueous liquid applications
- Air separation plants
- Tanker preparation and filling
- Industrial gases
- Gas cylinder preparation and filling
- Shipboard applications
- SF₆ circuit breakers
- Furnace gases/heat treating
- General plant/facility maintenance



Features

- Hand-held portable design
- 120 or 230 VAC line power for continuous operation
- Weather-resistant
- Large graphic display
- Internal data logger
- IrDA® communication with PC
- Stores up to 60 log/site files
- Simple programming via graphic user interface
- Compatible with all GE moisture probes
- Lightweight hand-held sample system
- Convenient carrying bag to store hygrometer and all accessories



GE imagination at work

The PM880 AC hygrometer is a complete, portable system with options and accessories to meet all industrial moisture measurement needs.

This hygrometer is small, lightweight, and easy to use. The large LCD displays moisture readings in dew point (°C or °F), ppm_v, ppm_w, lb/MMSCF (natural gas), and a variety of other unit options. Data can be viewed in alphanumeric or graphic formats. A 120 or 230 VAC power supply allows for continuous operation of the analyzer.

The PM880 AC comes in a soft carrying case with zippered compartments, a handle, and a shoulder strap. The case accommodates the PM880 AC, a sample system, flexible hosing, probes with protective covers, a Moisture Image Series probe electronics module, an operating manual, power supply, and probe cables. The carrying bag is safe for transporting the PM880 AC and accessories around a site.



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PM880 AC Accessories

- 1 Portable, infrared thermal printer and battery charger
- 2 Zippered soft carrying case
- 3 Flexible braided–stainless steel hose
- 4 Moisture Image Series probe electronics module
- 5 TF moisture probe
- 6 M Series moisture probe with probe cable
- 7 Portable sample system
- 8 PC infrared adapter
- 9 Optional PM880 AC battery and charger



PM880 AC Specifications

Overall

Channels

Single channel

Dimensions

- Size: 9.4 x 5.5 x 1.5 in (238 x 138 x 38 mm)
- Weight, electronics: 2.5 lb (1.13 kg)
- Weight, sample system: 4 lb (1.8 kg)

Enclosure

Ruggedized plastic, weather-resistant

Electronics

Power

120 or 230 VAC, 50-60 Hz power supply with appropriate power cord

Optional Battery Pack

- Requires separate switchable input battery charger: 115 or 230 VAC, 50/60 Hz
- Optional rechargeable battery pack
- Battery life: 15 to 24 hours depending on type of probe; battery life reduced when operating below 32°F (0°C)
- Requires approximately three hours for full battery recharge

Memory

FLASH memory

Operating Temperature

14° to 122°F (-10° to 50°C)

To ensure maximum battery life, GE does not recommend storing at temperatures exceeding 95°F (35°C) for longer than one month.

Keypad

25-key, rubberized, tactile membrane

Display

240 x 200 pixel, graphic backlit LCD display

Printer/Terminal Output

Infrared communication port

Cables

Cable type dependent on probe type: M Series, TF Series, or Moisture Image Series. LEMO®-to-bayonet connector

Cable Length

- Standard: 10 ft (3 m)
- Optional: Consult GE for other lengths

European Compliance

Complies with EMC Directive 89/336/EEC, EN61326 Annex A

For EN61000-4-3, the PM880 meets performance Criteria A and in a limited number of frequencies, performance Criteria B per EN61326.

Operational

Site Parameter Programming

Menu-driven, graphic, operator interface uses keypad and soft-function keys. Online help functions. Memory storage for saving site parameters.

Data Logging

Memory capacity to log over 100,000 moisture data points. Programmable keypad for log units, update times, and start and stop times.

Display Functions

Displays measurements and logged data in alphanumeric or graphic format.

Display Units

- Moisture: DP temperature, ppmv, ppmw, % RH, lb/MMSCF, and others
- Temperature: °F, °C, and °K
- Pressure: psig, bar, kPa (gauge), kg/cm² (gauge), and others

Moisture Measurement

Compatibility

Compatible with all GE aluminum oxide moisture probes: M Series, TF Series, and Moisture Image Series. Each probe type requires a different type of I/O cable.

Calibration

GE moisture sensors are computer-calibrated to National Institute of Standards and Technology (NIST) traceable moisture concentrations.

Dew/Frost Point Temperature

Overall Calibration Range Capability

-166°F to 140°F (-110°C to 60°C)

Calibration Range Options

- Standard: 68°F to -112°F (20° to -80°C) with data to -166°F (-110°C)
- Ultralow: -58°F to -166°F (-50°C to -110°C)
- Extended high: 140°F to -112°F (60°C to -80°C) with data to -166°F (-110°C)

Accuracy

- $\pm 1^\circ\text{F}$ ($\pm 2^\circ\text{C}$) from 140°F to -85°F (60° to -65°C)
- $\pm 2^\circ\text{F}$ ($\pm 3^\circ\text{C}$) from -85°F to -166°F (-65°C to -110°C)

Repeatability

- $\pm 0.3^\circ\text{F}$ ($\pm 0.5^\circ\text{C}$) from 140°F to -85°F (60°C to -65°C)
- $\pm 0.5^\circ\text{F}$ ($\pm 1^\circ\text{C}$) from -85°F to -166°F (-65°C to -110°C)

Operating Pressure

5 μ of Hg to 5000 psig (345 bar) limited by pressure sensor—see pressure measurement specifications

Temperature Measurement

Optional thermistor available for all GE moisture probes

Range

-22° to 158°F (-30° to 70°C)

Accuracy

$\pm 0.3^\circ\text{F}$ ($\pm 0.5^\circ\text{C}$) at -22°F (-30°C)

Pressure Measurement

Optional pressure sensor available for TF Series and Moisture Image Series moisture probes

Ranges

- 30 to 300 psig (3 to 21 bar)
- 50 to 500 psig (4 to 35 bar)
- 100 to 1000 psig (7 to 69 bar)
- 300 to 3000 psig (21 to 207 bar)
- 500 to 5000 psig (35 to 345 bar)

Accuracy

$\pm 1\%$ at full scale

Proof Pressure

Three times span of available range up to maximum 7500 psig (518 bar)

Sample System

The SS880A standard sample system comprises an inlet needle valve, a built-in coalescing filter and sample cell with a bypass needle valve and venting tube, a pressure gauge (various ranges), and an outlet needle valve with venting tube.

Wetted Parts

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Operating Pressure

Configurations available for 300; 500; 1000; 2000; or 3000 psig (21, 35, 69, 207, or 345 bar), dependent on pressure gauge)

Maximum Pressure Rating

- Standard: 3000 psig (207 bar)
- Optional: 5000 psig (345 bar)

Other Options

- Inlet pressure regulator, 0 to 500 psig (1 to 345 bar) outlet
- Armored flowmeter, 1.3 to 13 SCFH
- 10-ft (3-m), flexible, polytetrafluoroethylene-lined, braided-stainless steel hose with 1/4-inch tube connections. Not recommended for dew point temperatures below -103°F (-75°C).



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