

**HY-RS2E** 

# Radar Precipitation Sensor



**User Manual** 

#### 1. Foreword

Thank you for purchasing HY-RS2E precipitation sensor manufactured by Hongyuv. This device without moving parts, free of maintenance and calibration on site. We suggest you to read this user manual carefully before operating it.

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#### 2. Introduction

HY-RS2E Radar Rain sensor has advantage of light weight robust and no moving parts, free of maintenance and calibration.

The radar precipitation sensor HY-RS2E precipitation sensor allows fast measurement of precipitation intensity and distinguishes between Rain, snow, sleet, freezing rain, hail, drizzle and No precipitation.

The operation is maintenance-free, thanks to radar measurement technology.

HY-RS2E can be connected to computer or any other data acquisition module which has compatible communication protocol with it. HY-RS2E has three communication interfaces for option: RS232, RS485 or SDI-12.

## 3 Working Principle

The Radar Rain Sensor (HY-RS2E) is a precipitation sensor which can be used to determine both the type of precipitation and its quantity and intensity.

The HY-RS2E operates with a 24GHz Doppler radar, which records raindrop fall speed. The precipitation quantity is then calculated by means of the correlation of raindrop size and speed.

HY-RS2E is more sensitive and has faster response time than tipping bucket rain gauge, It's configurable as a replacement for tipping bucket systems and the leaves fallen on its surface won't matter at all, no necessary to add extra heating device to protect it from freezing.

## 4 Heating Function

To prevent instrument from freezing, and to avoid consequential error measurements, we provide heating function for customers to choose.

Heating function is divided into two modes, one is automatic mode, the device automatically controls the heating function ON/OFF, and the other is manual mode, the user can turn on and off the heater through commands. By default, the heating is set in automatic mode and full capacity. This is the recommended heating mode of the sensor.

At the same time, the initial temperature of the heater can be set, and the factory default setting is -5 °C.

# 5. Technical Specification

Model	HY-RS2E		
Distinguishable type	Rain, snow, sleet, freezing rain, hail, drizzle		
Distinguishable type	and No precipitation		
Measure Range	0-500mm/hour (precipitation)		
Accuracy	±10%		
Droplet size	0.35.0 mm		
Solid precipitation	5.1~30 mm		
Particle velocity	0.915.5 m/s		
Survival wind speed	75 m/s		
Resolution of rain	0.1mm		
Sample frequency	1 second		
Communication interface	RS485、RS232、SDI-12(choose one of them)		
Communication	ModBus、NMEA-0183、ASCII		
Power supply	7-30VDC		
Power consumption or standby	≤ 1 VA working(≤ 0.4 VA in Stand by mode)		
Operating temperature	-40°C - +70°C		
Operating humidity	0-100%		
Dimension	Ø105 * 178mm		
Material	ASA		
Weight	0.45kg		
Protection grade	IP66		

Specifications may be subject to change without prior notice.

## 6. Packing List

HY-RS2E radar rain sensor	1
10 meters communication cable with water-proof connector and cables with	
differentiated conductors.	1
User manual	1

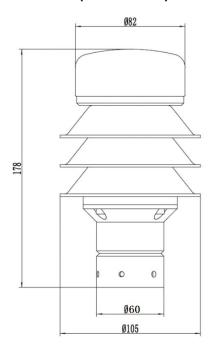
## 7. Installation

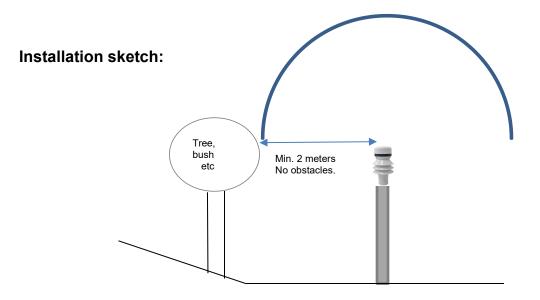
Follow the instructions below to guarantee correct long-term operation:

- Installation height above the ground 2 meters
- Distance to trees or bushes at the height of the sensor at least 2 meters
- When selecting the installation location please take care to position the device at a suitable distance from other systems incorporating a 24GHz radar sensor, such as traffic counting devices on overhead gantry signs. Otherwise cross effects and system malfunctions may occur.

In the final analysis, the distance to other measuring systems also depends on their range of coverage and signal strength.

## 8. Dimension (unit in mm)





#### 9. Connections

There is an 4-pole screw-in connector on the underside of the device. This serves to connect the power supply and the interfaces using the associated connection cable.

For RS485 output, communication cable is four cores, connected as below:

POWER		RS485		
Red Black		Yellow	Green	
DC7~30V+	GND	RS485 DA+	RS485 DB-	

For RS232 output, communication cable is five cores, connected as below:

POWER		RS232		
Red Black		Green	Yellow	
DC7~30V+	GND	RS232 TX	RS232 RX	

For SDI-12 output, communication cable is 4 cores, connected as below:

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	POWER		SDI-12				
	Red	Black	Green	Yellow			
	DC7~30V+	GND	SDI-12 Signal	Shield			

## Note:

- 1.Default output is RS485.
- ${\bf 2.} \\ Final\ definition\ of\ cable\ wiring\ should\ be\ referred\ to\ sticker\ on\ cable.$
- 3. For SDI-12, the cable heating definition is: Red (Heating) PWR + and Black (Heating) PWR GND.

## **SDI-12 Communication Protocol**

SDI-12 V1.08M

### **SDI-12 Interface Definition**

Start Bit	1 bit
Data Bits	7 bits
Parity Bit	1 bit-EVEN
Stop Bits	1 bit
Baud Rate	1200 bps

#### **SDI-12 Commands**

- ?! Returns Unit Address (default is 0).
- a Current unit address letter (factory default is 0, range is 0 to 9, a to z, A to Z).
- b New address letter, range is 0 to 9, a to z, A to Z.
- al! To read out device indentification information.

You can use command '>NameSet:HIYIELD WDC6SE1.200001' to rename identification.

aAb! Change unit address from a to b see above.

aM4! Address, Precipitation Type, Rain Intensity, Accumulated Rain, Status.

aD0! Request a line of the above data

Note:

- 1. Maximum length of response message of measurement command (aM! ~ aM9!) is 35 bytes, therefore, there will need more than one read command(aD0! ~ aD9!) to read out complete measurement data for aM5,aM6,aM8,aM9.
- 2. aR0!  $\sim$  aR9! is use to read continuous measurement data, the maximum length of response message is 75 bytes, so that all data can be returned at one time.
- 3. 10 minutes averaged result will be available after 10 minutes since the moment receiving measure command aM6! or aM9!(every time instrument receive aM6! or aM9!, it will clear all raw data that is already stored), any data access command sent before

10 min will only read out averaged value calculated based on current existing raw data.

- 4. If user is using command continuous measurement command(aR0!  $\sim$  aR9!), then the rolling stored raw data won't be cleared.
- 5. By no means will any command clear the stored raw data used for 3s Gust calculation.
- 6. Even if the quantity of raw data doesn't fulfill preset period, the instrument will start output gust based on current available raw data once

Command	Description	Response	Example
aHauto_x!	Change heater Automatic mode x = ON, auto mode x = OFF, manual mode	auto or manual	aHauto_ON! auto
aHmanual_x!	Change heater Manual mode x = ON, On heater. x = OFF, Off heater.	on or off	aHmanual_ON! on
aHset_t!	Change heater Set mode t = 0, the default temperature -5. t=?, specific temperature	t	aHset10! -10
aM4!	Request to start measurement	00014	Data will be ready within 1 second
aD0!	Request for measurement result	0+001+063.9+ 00002.3+111	0:Address 001:Rain 063.9: 63.9 mm/hr 00002.3: 2.3 mm 111: three data are all valid

Appendix III. Precipitation Type

BIT 15	BIT 14	BIT 13	BIT 12	BIT 11	BIT 10	BIT 9	BIT 8
0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
BIT 7	BIT 6	BIT 5	BIT 4	BIT 3	BIT 2	BIT 1	BIT 0
0	0	Drizzle 0/1	Hail 0/1	Freezing rain 0/1	Sleet 0/1	Snow 0/1	rain 0/1

Corresponding bit is valid when value is '1'.

All "0" means no precipitation.

#### For instance:

Precipitation type: Decimal: 002 = > Binary: 10 => stand for snow

Precipitation type: Decimal: 017 = > Binary: 10001 => stand for Hail + rain

Manually turn on/off power of radar rain module commands:

- 1. Turn off radar module needs two commands:
- 1.1 >RadarPwrCtr:0\r\n
- 1.2 >SaveConfig\r\n
- 2. Turn on radar module needs two commands:
- 2.1 >RadarPwrCtr:1\r\n
- 2.2 >SaveConfig\r\n

Set auto-sleep interval needs two commands:

- 1. >SysModeCfg:1,255\r\n
- 2. >SaveConfig\r\n

255 standand for interval in second, you can use any value within 0~255 to replace it.

Specially, when value is 0, auto-sleep function is deactivated.

Our weather station will automatically turn off radar module for certain period(example 255 seconds), and then wake up for 4 seconds to detect existence of rain. It will keep working if rain is detected, otherwise it dormant again. It repeats this cycle all the time.

#### Power consumption under different state:

Device State	Radar off	Radar on	Radar on & heating on
Power Consumption	65mA@12VDC	144mA@12VDC	385mA@12VDC