

# AIR TEMPERATURE SENSOR

# (TA80 Series)

#### **Features**

- $\pm 0.1$  °C typical accuracy (-20 °C to +50 °C)
- · Digital semiconductor sensing element
- Strong signal with long cable runs (up to 250m, no signal loss)
- Fully interchangeable tip with no recalibration required
- Excellent long-term stability
- Welded stainless steel tip for protection
- · Electronics sealed to IP67
- Australian Made

#### **Applications**

- General meteorology
- 10m and 2m temperature for Inversions
- Industrial ambient temperatures
- · Australian Standard weather monitoring
- Irrigation scheduling
- Scientific research
- · Process control and automation

At its core, the TA80 integrates a high-precision digital sensing integrated circuit that is factory-trimmed and calibrated against NIST-traceable standards. Combined with Environdata's robust housing and signal-conditioning electronics, the TA80 achieves ±0.1 °C typical accuracy (-20 °C to +50 °C) across the standard meteorological range, delivering proven long-term stability and reliability.

Output is provided as a conditioned digital signal, ready for direct connection to Environdata weather stations or integration into Modbus RTU/RS485 systems via the FA12 4–20 mA interface module.

The sensor's microprocessor reads the digital signal and provides a very stable square-wave frequency proportional to the air temperature.



TA80 Air Temperature Sensor



SS32 Bottom Mounted Sensor Shelter

For ambient air temperature readings we recommend that the sensors are located inside a louvred sensor shelter, or radiation screen.

Environdata's sensor shelters are modern versions of the "Stephenson Screen". Free standing models, or versions designed to sit on a mounting arm or post are available.

The sensor shelters are made from aluminium and stainless steel, and are durable enough for any environment.

# **AIR TEMPERATURE SENSOR SPECIFICATIONS**

# Sensing Element

High-accuracy digital semiconductor IC

# **Operating / Specified Range** (TA80 assembly)

-20 °C to +50 °C (meteorological range)

# Accuracy (over operating range)

- $\pm 0.1$  °C typical (-20 °C to +50 °C),
- $\pm 0.15$  °C typical (-40 °C to +70 °C), Performance based on IC specification

#### Resolution

0.01 °C (16-bit)

#### **Calibration Method**

- Factory calibrated
- Single-point calibration check performed and supplied with each sensor

#### **Enclosure**

- Electronics fully sealed to IP67
- Welded stainless steel tip

# **Operating Conditions**

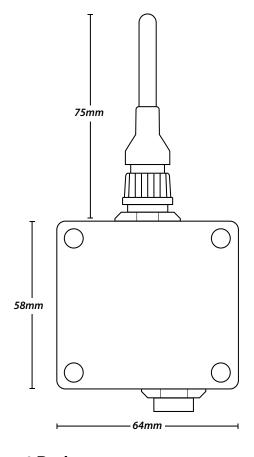
- Temperature (electronics): -40 °C to +70 °C
- Humidity: 0-100% RH (non-condensing)
- Designed for permanent outdoor exposure

### Supply Voltage (Sensor Unit)

6 - 20 VDC (nominal 12 VDC)



Sensor Shelter on a typical 2 metre Weather Station



#### **Current Drain**

<5 mA typical

#### Connector

3-pin Conxall male socket (standard)

#### **Output**

- +5 Volt square wave frequency (pulse) proportional to the temperature
- $-20^{\circ}C = 0 Hz$
- $+60^{\circ}C = 40 \text{ Hz}$
- 100% linear progression
- Frequency =  $^{\circ}$ C/2 + 10

#### **Options**

- Sensor shelter options: SS32 (bottom mount) SS33 (top mount)
- FX1M5 1.5m cable
- FX16 16m cable



