

All-In-One Wireless Professional Weather Station (DCF) (975246)

User's Manual

Functions

- Weather forecast with sunny, partly cloudy, cloudy, rainy and stormy
- Barometric pressure display
- Wind direction display
- Average & gust wind speed with storage of the minimum and maximum measured values
- Daily, weekly, monthly and total rainfall display
- Lightning detection with estimated number of lightning strike and distance display
- Lightning alert indication (Approaching, Departing & Overhead) and alarm setting
- Daily maximum and current UV Index with estimated exposure time display
- Room temperature and interior humidity display with storage of the minimum and maximum measurement values
- Outside temperature and outside humidity display with storage of the minimum and maximum measured values
- Dew point, heat index & wind chill display
- Ice/frost alert
- Radio-controlled DCF-77 time signal reception with time display, time-zone setting
- Date display
- Alarm clock with snooze function

In this package you will find:

- One monitor (main unit)
- One Transmitter (Transmits Wind, Rain, UV, Lightning, Temperature/humidity data)
- 4 pieces of Nylon straps
- One owner's' manual
- Power adapter for the monitor

Additional tools needed for installation

- Small Phillips screwdriver
- Mast, 1 1.25 inch (2.54 3.18 cm) in diameter (to mount the transmitter)

Installation

Choose a suitable location for your transmitter

- The transmitter must be set up outdoors

- The transmitter must be located within the signal transmission range (100 meters line of sight). Walls and obstructions reduce the transmission range. Check the signal reception on the weather station before final assembly.
- Ideally the transmitter should be mounted on a mast or roof of a house, and in an open area where wind, rain & sunlight can access the transmitter from all sides to enable the wind force, wind direction, rainfall & UV Index to be measured accurately
- Avoid placing the transmitter close to any electromagnetic radiation sources such as electricity tower or electrical equipments as the lightning detection will be greatly affected.
- Ensure that the wind vane and the wind wheel are not blocked to guarantee accurate measurements.
- The transmitter should be mounted in an open area where sunlight can shine directly on the UV sensor of the transmitter any time of the day and is not blocked by tree or wall.
- Do not position under trees or next to walls. The rain must be able to fall on the transmitter without obstructions to achieve an accurate rainfall measurement.
- Ensure that rain water does not accumulate under the transmitter. It must be able to flow off freely.

Testing the effective transmission range

- Place the transmitter to your selected outdoor location in horizontal position (see above section) and the transmitter must be at least 1 meter above ground. (This is not the final assembly and do not permanently mount the transmitter on a mask or roof at this stage until the effective transmission range is verified)
- 2) Open the battery door of the transmitter and insert 4 pieces of AA batteries according to the battery polarity indicated. Close the battery door and tighten the screws.
- 3) Place the main unit to your selected indoor location. Connect power adapter to the back of the main unit or insert 3 pieces of AA batteries in the battery compartment.
- 4) Press [clock/set] button once to skip the initial weather setting
- The main display will flash indicating it is in the searching mode (If the main display stops flashing, you may hold the [Search] button for 3 seconds on the main unit to enforce RF searching)
- 6) While the main unit is in searching mode, press the [Transmit] button on the bottom of the transmitter to transmit RF signal to the main unit
- 7) If they are within the effective transmission range, all the readings including outdoor temperature, humidity, wind speed, wind direction, rainfall & UVI will display on the main unit.
- 8) To ensure good RF reception signal, try turning the wind wheel & change the direction of the wind vane on the transmitter and you should notice the wind speed & direction update within 2 minutes. If the display reading does not update every minute, the RF reception signal is still poor. Shorten the transmitter and repeat above transmission range test until you have the display reading updated every 1 minute to ensure good RF reception signal.
- After testing the effective transmission range, remove all batteries from the transmitter. Remove all batteries and disconnect the power adapter from the main unit.

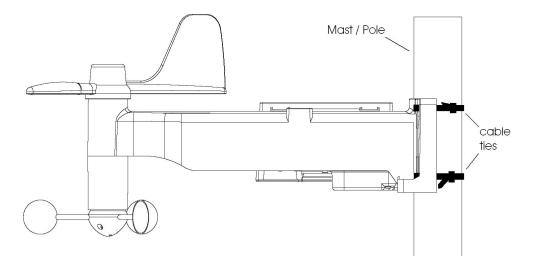
Installation and Calibration

1) After verifying the effective transmission range, mount the transmitter on your selected location.

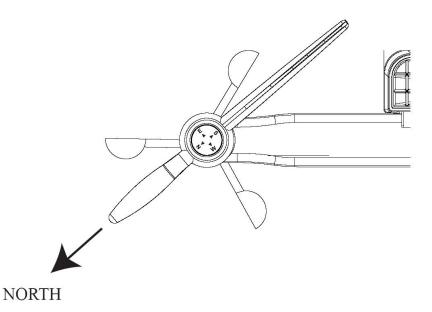
A mast is required with a diameter of approx. 25-3mm (not included) which stands stable and vertical.

Mount the transmitter as shown below with nylon strap provided and it should be at least 1 meter above ground.

After assembly, ensure that the transmitter must be positioned horizontally to guarantee accurate measurements for wind speed wind direction, rainfall & UV Index measurements.



- 2) Open the battery door of the transmitter and insert 4 pieces of AA batteries according to the battery polarity indicated. Close the battery door and tighten the screws.
- Connect power adapter to the back of the main unit. Open the battery door and Insert 3 pieces of AA batteries according to the battery polarity indicated. Close the battery door.
- 4) The weather forecast display will flash. Press [+] or [-] buttons on to select the current weather condition as initial weather forecast setup. Press [Clock/Set] to confirm.
- The main display will flash indicating it is in the searching mode (If the main display stops flashing, you may hold the [Search] button for 3 seconds on the main unit to enforce RF searching)
- 6) While the main unit is in searching mode, Go to the transmitter and keep the wind vane pointing at North direction and then single press [Transmit] button on the bottom casing to send RF data to the receiver for registration & calibration purpose (LED will flash few times)



7) Once the RF reception is successful, the main display will show the outdoor temperature/ humidity, rainfall, wind speed/ direction and UV Index readings

NOTE: After battery replacement or power reset on either of the transmitter or main unit, recalibration & registration are needed. Repeat above step 2 to 6.

Top Key Operations

[Light / Snooze (Light on/off)]

- When backlight is off, first press to turn on backlight
- When alarm is beeping, press to activate snooze
- Hold 2 sec to turn on/off the continuous backlight when adapter is connected

[TEMP/WIND CHILL/ HEAT/DEW]

- When channel 1 is displayed, press to toggle between temperature, wind chill, heat index & dew point
- When indoor is displayed, press to toggle between temperature, heat index & dew point

[BARO / RCC]

- Press to display pressure reading in the clock section and show the pressure bar chart at the same time.
- In clock display mode, hold to enforce searching for radio-controlled clock RCC signal. Hold again to disable RCC search

Front key operation:

[WIND]

- Toggle between average wind speed & gust wind speed

[RAIN]

- Toggle between daily, weekly, monthly and total rainfall
- Hold to clear the total rainfall reading to 0mm (or inch)

[UV / Exposure time Set]

- Press to toggle between daily max. UV, current UV & Exposure time; It will also show the daily max UV I bar chart
- Hold [UV] to enter UV setting mode
 Skin type > SPF > exit
 (Press [up] or [down] to select and [UV/Set] to confirm)

[Lightning]

- Press to display lightning reading and toggle the number of lightning strike per minute (10, 30, 60min)
- Hold to enter lightning alarm setting:
 km/miles > distance > number of lightning > per min > alarm On/Off > exit
 (Press [+] or [-] button to select and [Lightning] to confirm setting)
- Press any button to stop the lightning alarm sound

Back key operation:

[Clock / SET]

- Toggle between time, calendar (Day/Month) and year
- Hold to enter setting mode

Weather forecast, 12/24 hr format, D/M or M/D format, zone time offset, hour, minute, year, month, day, temp unit, rainfall unit, wind speed unit, pressure unit and pressure value

[Alarm / Set]

- Press to display alarm time. Press again to enable/disable daily alarm
- In alarm display, hold to enter alarm setting mode for hour & minute setting

[Channel / Search / UP]

- Toggle between indoor, outdoor channel and auto scroll
- Hold to search for remote sensor
- Increase setting value in setting mode

[Memory / Clear / Down]

- Toggle between maximum, minimum & current temperature, humidity, wind chill, heat index, dew point, average wind speed & gust wind speed
- Decrease setting value in setting mode
- When it is showing MAX or MIN reading, hold this button to clear the max/min memory

WEATHER FORECAST & BAROMETRIC PRESSURE

The unit predicts weather condition of the next 12 - 24 hours based on the change of atmospheric pressure. The coverage area is around 30 – 50 km. The weather forecast is based on atmospheric pressure change and is about 70-75% correct. As weather conditions cannot be 100% correctly forecasted, we cannot be responsible for any loss caused by an incorrect forecast.



SUNNY

PARTLY CLOUDY

RAINY

STORMY

To obtain an accurate weather forecast, you need to input your current weather condition as initial setting. After battery/adapter installation, the weather icon will flash. Press [+] or [-] button to select the current weather condition and press [CLOCK/SET] to confirm. You can also set the weather forecast anytime by entering the setting mode (see details below).

Barometric pressure measurement is available on the unit. To have an accurate pressure reading, initial pressure setting is required. Weather forecast & pressure unit can also be set in the setting mode if needed. Hold [CLOCK/SET] to enter setting mode. Press [+] or [-] to select and press [CLOCK/SET] to skip or confirm the settings.

Weather Forecast > 12/24hr format > D/M or M/D format > Time Zone Offset > Hour > Minute > Year > Month > Date > Temperature unit > Rainfall unit > Wind Speed unit > Pressure unit (hPa, mb, inHg, mmHg) > Pressure value > EXIT

NOTE: Pressure setting:

You may look up the sea level pressure reading from your local weather news or Internet web site of your area and enter this pressure value in the setting mode. If you already know the absolute pressure value of your location, you may also enter in the setting mode. Whenever the air pressure changes, the unit will offset and show the updated pressure measurement based on this initial pressure input.

Please note that changing the weather forecast manually in the setting mode afterward will change the pressure measurement value automatically. Therefore it is recommended to adjust the weather forecast setting before the pressure value setting.

Press [BARO] button to show the pressure reading in the time display area and the 6 Hours historical pressure bar chart will appear on the lower left of the display.



IN/OUT TEMPERATURE & HUMIDITY

Temperature & humidity readings are shown on the middle of lower display.

Press [CHANNEL/SEARCH] repeatedly to select indoor, outdoor (default channel 1) or auto-channel scrolling display modes.

To change temperature unit,

- Hold [CLOCK/SET] button to enter setting mode.
- Uses [+] or [-] to adjust and [CLOCK/SET] to confirm (or skip) the setting in below sequence:

Weather Forecast > 12/24hr format > D/M or M/D format > Time Zone Offset > Hr > Min > Yr > > Month > Date > Temperature unit (degree C or degree F) > Rainfall unit > Wind Speed unit > Pressure unit > Pressure value > EXIT

Note: The outdoor temperature & humidity sensor is built inside the transmitter and is assigned to channel 1.

ICE ALERT

Ice alert indicator $\overset{\bullet}{\overset{\bullet}{\overset{\bullet}}}$ appears on the display next to the wind chill reading when outdoor channel-1 temperature falls to or below 4C (or 39.2F). It provides an early alert for possible icy road condition to driver.

INDOOR & OUTDOOR HEAT INDEX

Heat Index combines the effects of heat and humidity. It is the apparent temperature of how hot the heat-humidity combination makes it feels.

Press [TEMP] button repeatedly to show the respective indoor or outdoor heat index on the display. "HEAT INDEX" icon will appear.

INDOOR & OUTDOOR DEW POINT

Dew point is the saturation point of the air, or the temperature to which the air has to be cooled in order to get condensation.

Press [TEMP] button repeatedly to show the respective indoor or outdoor dew point reading on the display. "DEW POINT" icon will appear.

OUTDOOR WIND CHILL

Wind chill is the apparent temperature felt on exposed skin due to the combination of air temperature and wind speed. The wind chill reading on the monitor is calculated based on the temperature measured from the transmitter (channel-1) and the average wind speed.

Press [CHANNEL] button to show channel 1 outdoor temperature/ humidity display. Then press [TEMP] button repeatedly to show the outdoor wind chill on the display. "WIND CHILL" icon will appear.

DAILY, WEEKLY, MONTHLY & ACCUMLATED RAINFALL

The transmitter provides daily, weekly, monthly and total accumulated rainfall measurements.

Press [RAIN] repeatedly to switch between the different modes and the corresponding "DAILY", "WEEKLY", "MONTHLY" or "TOTAL" icon will appear indicating your current display mode.

6 Hours historical bar graph is displayed in the middle left of the display showing the rainfall record of current and the past 6 hours.



In total rainfall display, hold [RAIN] to clear total rainfall reading.

To change the rain unit,

- Hold [CLOCK/SET] button to enter setting mode.
- Uses [+] or [-] to adjust and [CLOCK/SET] to confirm (or skip) the setting in below sequence:

Weather Forecast > 12/24hr format > D/M or M/D format > Time Zone Offset > Hr > Min > Yr > > Month > Date > Temperature unit > Rainfall unit (mm or inch) > Wind Speed unit > Pressure unit > Pressure value > EXIT

WIND SPEED & DIRECTION

The transmitter uses the wind wheel to sample wind speed and wind vane to measure wind direction. The monitor displays 16 wind directions (N for north, S for south, SW for south-west and so on). Press [WIND] to select average & gust wind speed display.

Wind direction:	Average wind direction over a 2-minute period
Average wind speed:	Average wind speed over a 2-minute period
Gust wind speed:	Maximum wind speed over a 10-minute period

To change the wind speed unit:

- Hold [CLOCK/SET] button to enter setting mode.
- Uses [+] or [-] to adjust and [CLOCK/SET] to confirm (or skip) the setting in below sequence:

Weather Forecast > 12/24hr format > D/M or M/D format > Time Zone Offset > Hr > Min > Yr > > Month Date > Temperature unit > Rainfall unit > Wind Speed unit (km/h, knots, m/s, mph, Beaufort) > Pressure unit > Pressure value > EXIT

NOTE: To obtain the correct wind direction, the wind vane on the transmitter has to be calibrated during installation. Please refer "INSTALLATION & CALIBRATION" section.

NOTE: After every battery replacement or power reset of the main unit or transmitter, recalibration of the wind vane is needed

MAXIMUM & MINIMUM RECORDS

Press [MEM] repeatedly to view the maximum & minimum values of temperature, humidity, heat index, dew point, wind speed & wind chill readings. The corresponding "MAX" and "MIN" icons will appear. To clear the memory record, hold "MEMORY" in the max/min display mode

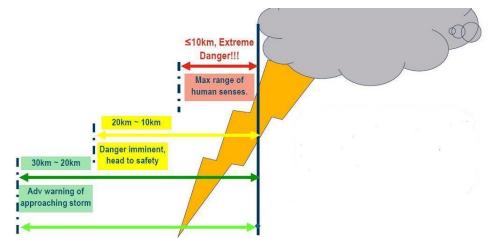
LIGHTNING

Lightning sensor is built inside the transmitter. It detects both cloud to ground and cloud to cloud lightning strikes.

When a lightning bolt strikes, a huge current flows and produces an electromagnetic field. The lightning sensor receives and processes the signal generated by this field and estimates the distance from the edge of the lightning activity.

Human's senses can detect thunder from strikes which are maximum of 10km away. This is already too late. The lightning sensor can alert when the leading edge of a storm is within 30km, providing sufficient time to head to safety.

NOTE: The detection sensitivity and the estimated distance will be affected if the transmitter is close to electromagnetic radiation sources such as electricity tower and electrical equipments. Place your transmitter farther away from these sources if possible.



Number of lightning strike is displayed next to the clock.

Press [LIGHTNING] button once to show the estimated distance of the lightning event in km or mile.

(The distance displays "----"when lightning is not detected.)

Press [LIGHTNING] again to toggle between lightning strike every 10, 30, 60 minutes

The "+" sign next to the number of lightning strike indicates that the actual strike number can be equal to or more than the displayed number. Even though this measured lightning events is for reference only, it provides a good overall trend indication of the lightning intensity over time. Example,



16 or more lightning strikes in the past 10 minutes.



Lightning is approaching



Lighting is overhead

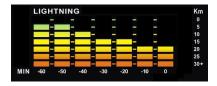


Lightning is departing

Once [LIGHTNING] button is pressed, 60 minutes historical bar graph is displayed in the middle left of the display showing the lightning distance record in the past 60 minutes.

Bar graph (Examples)

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Lightning is approaching

Lightning is departing

To set the lightning distance unit, hold the [LIGHTNING] button and the distance unit will flash. Press [+] or [-] button to select between "km" or "miles". Press [LIGHTNING] to confirm. Press [LIGHTNING] repeatedly to skip other settings and exit.

NOTE: The measured lightning events are for reference only and should not be directly compared with lightning statistics provided by professional weather monitoring agencies

LIGHTNING ALERT SETTING:

To set the lightning alert, hold the [LIGHTNING] button to set the following in sequence. In each setting, press [+] or [-] button to select and press [LIGHTNING] to confirm.

Lightning distance unit> Lightning distance alert > Number of lightning strike alert > strike in every 10/30/60 minutes > Lightning alert on \square or off > Exit

When one of the alert conditions is met, beep alert sound will be emitted. Press any key to stop the beep alert sound.

- Lightning distance alert: Alert when the lightning distance has reached within the set distance
- Number of lightning strike alert: Alert when the number of strike reaches or exceeds the set value

 \bullet icon lights up indicate the lightning alert is on.

UV INDEX

The **ultraviolet index** or **UV Index** is a measurement of the strength of the ultraviolet (UV) radiation from the sun. Its purpose is to help people to effectively protect themselves from UV light, of which excessive exposure causes sunburns, eye damage, skin aging and skin cancer. It is recommended that people protect themselves (for example, by applying sunscreen to the skin and wearing a hat) when the UV Index is 3 or higher.

UV Exposure Description **Recommended protection** Index Category Wear sunglasses on bright days; use sunscreen if Low danger from the sun's UV 1-2 Low there is snow on the ground, which reflects UV rays for the average person radiation, or if you have particularly fair skin. Take precautions, such as covering up, if you will be Moderate risk of harm from outside. 3-5 Moderate (Mid) unprotected sun exposure Stay in shade near midday when the sun is strongest. Wear sunglasses and use SPF 30+ sunscreen, cover High risk of harm from the body with sun protective clothing and a wide-brim 6-7 High hat, and reduce time in the sun from three hours unprotected sun exposure before to three hours after solar noon. Very high risk of harm from Wear SPF 30+ sunscreen, a shirt, sunglasses, and a 8-10 Very High unprotected sun exposure hat. Do not stay out in the sun for too long. Take all precautions, including: wear sunglasses and Extreme risk of harm from use SPF 30+ sunscreen, cover the body with a 11 +Extreme unprotected sun exposure long-sleeve shirt and trousers, wear a very broad hat, and avoid the sun from three hours before until three

Recommendations for protection when the day's predicted UV Index is at various values are:

			hours after solar noon.
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UVI reading is located on the lower right of the display.

Press [UV] button to toggle display between daily maximum UVI, current UVI and the recommended exposure time under the sun.

The recommended exposure time is calculated based on

- Skin type of the user
- SPF (Sun Protection Factor) of the sunscreen

Hold [UV] button for 3 seconds to enter setting mode for skin type and SPF. Press [+] or [-] to select and press [UV] to confirm.

Skin Type	Skin Categories	Skin Color in Unexposed Area	Tanning History
1	Never tans, always burns	Pale or milky, white alabaster	Develops red sunburns, painful
			swelling, skin peels
2	Sometimes tans, usually	Very little browns, sometimes	Usually burns, pink or red
	burns	freckles	coloring appears, can gradually
			develop
3	Usually tans, sometimes	Light tan, brown or olive,	Rarely burns, moderately rapid
	burns	distinctly pigmented	tanning response
4	Always tans, rarely burns	Brown, dark or black	Rarely burn, very rapid tanning
			response

Skin Type values range from 1 to 4.

SPF refers to the amount of sun exposure time allowed before a person's particular skin type begins to burn. An SPF value is assigned by the manufacturers of sun protection cosmetics for items such as sunscreens, lipsticks, makeup, etc. For example, using sunscreen with an SPF of 4 indicates a person can be exposed to the sun 4 times longer without burning than without using any sunscreen.

Once [UV] button is pressed, 6-days historical bar graph is displayed in the middle left of the display showing the lightning distance record in the past 6 days.



RADIO-CONTROLLED CLOCK

The main unit will start synchronizing the radio-controlled clock after battery/adapter installation. The antenna icon will flash during synchronization. If the reception of radio-controlled time is successful, antenna icon with

full signal strength **P** will appear on screen. The radio-controlled clock will have a daily synchronization at 02:03 & 03:03 everyday. Each reception cycle is around 2.5 to 10 minutes.

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Searching for			
Radio-Controlled Clock Signal	Reception is successful	Reception is fail	Reception is disabled

Antenna icon without signal strength indicates the past reception is not successful (Daily synchronization is still enabled). To enforce searching of radio-controlled time signal immediately, Hold [BARO/ $\hat{\mathbf{Y}}$] button and the antenna icon flashes. If reception continues to fail, try other locations later. Place the unit away from source of interference such as mobile phones, appliances, TV etc.

To disable the radio-controlled time reception and stop the daily synchronization, hold [m] until the antenna icon disappears.

CLOCK, CALENDAR & TIME ZONE

Press [CLOCK] to toggle display between time and calendar

NOTE: You need to set clock & calendar when your weather station cannot receive radio-controlled time signal in your location.

NOTE: If your unit can receive radio-controlled clock signal, but you would like to change to different time zone, you can set the TIME ZONE OFFSET between +12 to -12 hour (it is the time difference between the radio-controlled time and your local time). If you set TIME ZONE OFFSET other than 0, the "ZONE" icon will appear on clock & calendar display mode.

Follow below steps to set the 12/24 hour format, day/month format, time zone offset, time & calendar

- Hold [CLOCK/SET] button to enter clock setting mode.
- Using [+] or [-] to adjust and [CLOCK/SET] to confirm (or skip) the setting, the following values can be set in sequence:

Weather Forecast > 12/24hr format > D/M or M/D format > Time Zone Offset > Hr > Min > Yr > > Month > Date > Temperature unit > Rainfall unit > Wind Speed unit > Pressure unit > Pressure value > EXIT

ALARM SETTING

Press [ALARM] button to show alarm time and the "ALARM" icon will appear. Press again to enable or disable the alarm. Bell icon "•" appears when alarm is enabled.

Hold [ALARM] to enter alarm time setting mode. Press [+] or [-] to enter the desired Hour/ Min values and press [ALARM] to confirm setting.

SNOOZE & BACKLIGHT

Once the power adapter is connected to the main unit, the backlight will be turned on continuously. To switch

off the continuous backlight, hold [SNOOZE / LIGHT]. Hold [SNOOZE/LIGHT] to activate continuous backlight again.

When alarm is going off, press [SNOOZE/ LIGHT] to trigger snooze function. To stop alarm for one day, press "ALARM" key.

In normal display, press SNOOZE/LIGHT for an extended backlight if adapter is not connected.

LOW BATTERY INDICATION

Low battery indication is available for the monitor itself and all of the remote sensors. Replace the batteries and follow the setup procedure in this instruction manual.

Important: Wind direction calibration is required for the anemometer during battery replacement (Details refer "Calibrating the anemometer & installing batteries" section)

BATTERY DISPOSAL

Replace only with the same or equivalent type recommended by the manufacturer. Please disposal of old, defective batteries in an environmentally friendly manner in accordance with the relevant legislation.

SPECIFICATIONS

Indoor Temperature	: 0 C to + 50 C (+32 F to +122 F)
Outdoor Temperature	: -20 C to +60 C (-4 F to +140 F)
Temperature Resolution	: 0.1 degree C
Indoor & Outdoor Humidity	: 20% - 99% RH
Humidity Resolution	: 1% RH
Heat Index	: 16C to 60C (60.8F to 140F)
Dew Point	: 0C to 60C (+32F to 140F)
Lightning detection range	: within 30km (detects both cloud to ground and cloud to cloud lightning
	strikes)
UV Index	: 0 - 15
Wind speed range	: 0 – 30m/s
	: 0 – 108 km/h
	: 0 – 67 mph
	: 0 – 58.3 knot
	: 0 - 11 Beaufort
Rain Gauge reading	: 0 – 9999 mm
	: 0 – 393.66 inch
Transmission Range	: up to 100M (228 feet) in open area, RF868 MHz
Clock	: DCF77 Radio-Controlled, Quartz back-up
Power	: AA x 3 pieces for the monitor (not included); $6.0V$ adapter included
	: AA x 4 pieces for transmitter (not included)

DISPOSAL AT END OF WORKING LIFE:

Discarded appliances and electronic devices often still contain valuable materials, therefore do not throw them away, instead hand them in to the store where you buy a new appliance or to your local council recycling depot.

In accordance with the waste guidelines for electrical and electronic equipment, this product must be disposed of separately. If you wish to dispose of this product in the future, do NOT discard it with the household waste, but hand it in at your local refuse collection depot.

In compliance with the directives on Waste Electrical and Electronic Equipment, this product must not be discarded with domestic waste but should be disposed of separately for recycling. If you wish to dispose of this product in the future, do NOT throw it away with the household rubbish but hand it in at a specially designated place, such as your municipal domestic chemical waste depot.

Never throw empty batteries away, but deposit them in special battery boxes or hand them in as domestic chemical waste at your municipal depot.

