

RXW-GPX-XXX

HOBOnet Multi-Depth Soil Moisture Sensor

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An award-winning wireless sensor that works with the HOBOnet system to measure soil moisture and soil temperature at multiple depths with a single probe, for fast and easy installation.

Important Information

A complete system requires at least one HOBOb RX3000 Remote Monitoring Station, a HOBOnet Wireless Manager, and a HOBOnet Wireless Sensor, OR one HOBOb MicroRX Station (which has an integrated HOBOnet Wireless Manager) and a HOBOnet Wireless Sensor. HOBOnet Wireless Repeaters (RXW-RPTR-xxx or RXW-RPTR-B-xxx) can be added to extend the range.

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Supported Measurements

Soil Moisture, Soil Temperature

Features

Sensor Features

- Probe length: 45 cm (18 in)
- Soil moisture measurements over entire probe segment lengths
- Soil temperature measurements at multiple points
- Largest volume of influence per measurement (2 L volume of influence per 15 cm segment)
- Advanced filtering of 400,000 pulses per measurement eliminates outlying readings and provides precise, repeatable soil moisture data
- Polycarbonate housing and epoxy-sealed circuit board protect vital components during installation and throughout deployment
- Easy installation with minimal soil disturbance, and no digging required when using the optional pilot rod and slide hammer

Wireless Features

- Sub-GHz wireless mesh self-healing technology
- 450 to 600 meter (1,500 to 2,000 feet) wireless range and up to five hops
- Up to 50 wireless sensors or 336 data channels per one HOBOb RX station
- Simple button-push to join the HOBOnet wireless network
- Onboard memory to ensure no data loss
- Powered by rechargeable AA batteries and built-in solar panel

What's in the box

- HOBOnet Multi-Depth Soil Moisture Sensor

- Two AA 1.2V rechargeable NiMH batteries
- Cable ties
- Screws

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HOBOnet Multi-Depth Soil Moisture Sensor (RXW-GPx-xxx) Specifications

Soil Moisture: Volumetric Water Content (VWC)

Measurement Range	In soil: 0 to 0.550 m ³ /m ³ (volumetric water content)
Accuracy	±0.02 m ³ /m ³ (±2%) in most soils typical from 0° to 50°C (32° to 122°F)*
Resolution	0.001 m ³ /m ³

Temperature

Measurement Range	-20° to 70°C (-4° to 158°F)
Accuracy	±0.5°C (0.9°F)
Resolution	0.1°C (0.18°F)

Depths Measured (see below)

RXW-GP3-xxx	45 cm (18 inches) total; three soil moisture zones, six temperature depths
RXW-GP4-xxx	60 cm (24 inches) total; four soil moisture zones, seven temperature depths
RXW-GP6-xxx	90 cm (35 inches) total; six soil moisture zones, eleven temperature depths

Wireless Mote

Operating Temperature Range	Sensor: -20° to 70°C (-4° to 158°F) Mote: -25° to 60°C (-13° to 140°F) with rechargeable batteries -40° to 70°C (-40° to 158°F) with lithium batteries
Radio Power	12.6 mW (+11 dBm) non-adjustable
Transmission Range	Reliable connection to 457.2 m (1,500 ft) line of sight at 1.8 m (6 ft) high Reliable connection to 609.6 m (2,000 ft) line of sight at 3 m (10 ft) high
Wireless Data Standard	IEEE 802.15.4
Radio Operating Frequencies	RXW-GPx-900: 904–924 MHz RXW-GPx-868: 866.5 MHz RXW-GPx-921: 921 MHz RXW-GPx-922: 916–924 MHz
Modulation Employed	OQPSK (Offset Quadrature Phase Shift Keying)
Data Rate	Up to 250 kbps, non-adjustable
Duty Cycle	<1%
Maximum Number of Motes	Up to 50 wireless sensors or 336 data channels per one HOBOnet RX station

Logging Rate

Maximum logging interval: 18 hours
 Recommended minimum logging interval:

**Using Solar Power with
 Rechargeable Batteries**

**Using Non-
 Rechargeable
 Lithium
 Batteries**

RXW- GP3-xxx:	5 minutes year round	10 minutes
RXW- GP4-xxx:	5 minutes summer, 10 minutes winter	15 minutes
RXW- GP6-xxx:	5 minutes summer, 10 minutes winter	15 minutes

See Battery Life specification for more details.

Number of Data Channels

RXW-GP3-xxx: 10
 RXW-GP4-xxx: 12
 RXW-GP6-xxx: 18

**Battery Type/
Power Source**

Two AA 1.2V rechargeable NiMH batteries, powered by built-in solar panel or two AA 1.5 V non-rechargeable lithium batteries for operating conditions of -40 to 70°C (-40 to 158°F)

Battery Life

With NiMH batteries: Typical 3–5 years when operated in the temperature range -20° to 40°C (-4°F to 104°F) and positioned toward the sun (see Mounting and Positioning the Mote), operation outside this range will reduce the battery service life

With non-rechargeable lithium batteries:

RXW-GP3-xxx: 1 year with a 10-minute logging interval
 RXW-GP4-xxx: 1 year with a 15-minute logging interval
 RXW-GP6-xxx: 7 months with a 15-minute logging interval

Memory

16 MB

Dimensions

RXW-GP3-xxx sensor length: 53.2 cm (20.9 inches)
 RXW-GP4-xxx sensor length: 68.2 cm (26.9 inches)
 RXW-GP6-xxx sensor length: 98.2 cm (38.7 inches)
 Sensor diameter: 3 cm (1.2 inches)
 Cable length: 3 m (9.8 ft)
 Mote: 16.2 x 8.59 x 4.14 cm (6.38 x 3.38 x 1.63 inches)

Weight

RXW-GP3-xxx sensor: 351 g (12.4 oz)
 RXW-GP4-xxx sensor: 408 g (14.4 oz)
 RXW-GP6-xxx sensor: 526 g (18.6 oz)
 Cable: 190 g (6.7 oz)
 Mote: 223 g (7.87 oz)

Materials

Sensor: Polycarbonate housing encasing epoxy sealed circuit board
 Cable: Polyurethane
 Mote: PCPBT, silicone rubber seal

Environmental Rating

Mote: IP67, NEMA 6

*Soil-specific calibration requires user post-processing in a spreadsheet program such as Microsoft® Excel® or a utility and connector as recommend by RioT Technology Corp., manufacturer of GroPoint sensors. Refer to Performing a Soil-Specific Calibration in the [manual](#) for details.

