



# Description

The Hydraulic Piezometer is used for accurately measuring pore water pressures in fully or partially saturated soil and rock.

The system comprises a porous ceramic piezometer tip sealed into the measuring horizon and connected to a remote measuring position via twin nylon hydraulically filled tubes.

The piezometer measures overall hydraulic pressure from which pore pressures can be calculated.

# **Features**

- Simple and reliable device
- Accurate with excellent long-term stability
- Fast response to pressure changes
- Inaccuracies due to air entrapment and gas accumulation at the piezometer tip are avoided
- Capable of measuring pore pressures from 2000 kPa to -50 kPa

# **Benefits**

- No electronic components in tip ensures long-term reliability
- Twin hydraulic tubing is strong, flexible and suitable for long-term use
- Comprises all non corroding materials
- Pressure measurement takes place at the terminal location and not within the piezometer tip



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PRECISELY MEASURED

# Operation

The Hydraulic Piezometer is designed for the accurate measurement of pore water pressures in fully or partially saturated soil and rock.

The Piezometer tip comprises a porous ceramic filter vessel. Twin hydraulic tubes connect each filter tip to a remote reading terminal where the hydraulic pressure may be read by either a Bourdon gauge or an electrical pressure transducer.

The hydraulic system is flushable so that air or gas accumulation at the piezometer filter tip which can produce reading inaccuracies and time lag, can be fully removed to provide a 'hard' hydraulic circuit.

In addition, the hydraulic piezometer system may be used for constant head permeability testing of the ground in which the piezometer tips are installed.

# Associated products

For details on:	Catalogue code:
Datalogger	D1
Terminal and Junction Boxes	RO-TB

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# **Applications**

Piezometers are used in geotechnical, environmental, and hydrological applications. They can be installed in boreholes and placed in fill materials or open wells to measure water levels or pore water pressures to enable engineers to verify design assumptions and control placement of fill.

Typical applications include:

- For environmental management including landfill sites
- Monitoring of aquifers
- Monitor tidal effects on coastal soils
- Dams
- Embankments
- Potential landslide sites
- Dewatering excavations
- Tailings lagoons
- Pumping tests
- Monitor seepage
- Control placement of fill



# THE TECHNICAL RATING FOR THIS PRODUCT:

As the correct installation of any monitoring sensor or system is vital to maximise performance and accuracy, Soil Instruments makes the following recommendations, for the skill level of the installation contractor.

ADDITIONAL SUPPORT

We offer installation and monitoring services to support this system. For more information please email: sales@soilinstruments.com or call: +44 (0) 1825 765044

# INTERMEDIATE







The installer is trained and experienced in the installation of this type of instrument or systems, and is ideally a specialist Instrumentation and Monitoring contractor.

#### **INTERMEDIATE**



The installer already has previous experience and/or training in the installation of this instrument or system.

**BASIC** 



As a minimum the installer has read and fully comprehends the manual, and if possible has observed these instruments or systems being installed by others.

Sensor	
Range (kPa)	Pourdon gaugo: 5kPa to 2000kPa
	Bourdon gauge: -5kPa to 2000kPa Bourdon master gauge panel: 0kPa to 1500kPa ±1.0% full scale ±0.5% full scale
Accuracy	±1.0% full scale ±0.5% full scale
ilter Type	
∕laterial	Porous Ceramic
'orosity	HAE 1 Micron or LAE 60 Microns
Hydraulic Tubing	
ype	Twin Nylon tubes sheathed in Polythene, flat or round in section
linimum bend radius	0.3m
urst pressure	13,8MPa
lominal bores	4.76mm or 6.35mm
xternal width Diameter	Flat: 18mm Round: 16mm
/eight /m	36q
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Ordering Information	
lydraulic Piezometer Tips	
/2-1.6	Bull Nosed HAE piezometer tip; high resistance to air entry (1 Micron), for ¼inch tubing
/2-1.10	Cylindrical LAE piezometer tip; how resistance to air entry (60 Micron), for ¼inch tubing
/2-1.9	
	Cylindrical LAE piezometer tip; low resistance to air entry (60 Micron), for <sup>3</sup> /16 inch tubing
/2-1.13	Push-in LAE piezometer tip; low resistance to air entry (60 Micron), for ¼inch tubing
/2-1.15	Push-in HAE piezometer tip; high resistance to air entry (1 Micron), for ¼inch tubing
/2-1.11	Push-in LAE piezometer tip; low resistance to air entry (60 Micron), for 3/16 inch tubing
/2-2.12	Push-in HAE piezometer tip; high resistance to air entry (1 Micron), for 3/16 inch tubing
Piezometer ¼ Inch Tubing and	Tube Fittings
V6-2.5	Twin ¼inch nylon tubing; flat Tube 18mm external width, priced per metre
V6-3.21	Quick release coupling set, ¼inch; for connection of tube to water circulation unit
/6-3.20 / W6-3.19	Male quick release coupling, ¼inch / Female quick release coupling, ¼inch
/6-3.5	Spare nut and olive, Enots ¼inch
V6-3.7	Straight coupling, Enots ¼inch; in-line tubing connections, 2No. required per twin tube connection
V6-3.18	Connection charge per piezometer tip to twin tube
iezometer 3/16 Inch Tubing and	a tube rittings
	Twin <sup>3</sup> /16 inch nylon tubing; round Tube 13mm external diameter, priced per metre
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V6-2.2 V6-3.12	Twin <sup>3</sup> /16 inch nylon tubing; round Tube 13mm external diameter, priced per metre
V6-2.2 V6-3.12 V6-3.11	Twin <sup>3</sup> /16 inch nylon tubing; round Tube 13mm external diameter, priced per metre  Quick release coupling set, <sup>3</sup> /16 inch; for connection of tube to water circulation unit
V6-3.12 V6-3.11 V6-3.22	Twin 3/16 inch nylon tubing; round Tube 13mm external diameter, priced per metre  Quick release coupling set, 3/16 inch; for connection of tube to water circulation unit  Spare nut and olive, Enots 3/16 inch
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# **Ordering Information**

#### Installation Accessories Continued

W6-2.8	1/4 inch nylon tubing, LDP coated; single tube 8.6mm external diameter, priced per metre
E2-3.12	³/16 inch nylon tubing; single tube ³/16 inch external diameter, priced per metre
W6-1.1 / W6-1.3	Bentonite pellets; 25kg bag / Filter sand; 25kg bag

#### Bourdon Master Gauge Unit

#### Single gauge to read from terminal panel. Wall mounted panel, for use with 1/4 inch nylon tubing

W2-6.3-50	0 to 500kPa pressure range
	0 to 1000kPa pressure range
W2-6.3-150	0 to 1500kPa pressure range

# Bourdon Gauge Unit

# Each instrument has an individual gauge. Wall mounted panel, for use with ¼inch nylon tubing

W2-6.2-1-20 to W2-6.2-5-20	1 to 5 Channel, 0 to 200kPa pressure range
W2-6.2-1-50 to W2-6.2-5-50	1 to 5 Channel, 0 to 500kPa pressure range
W2-6.2-1-100 to W2-6.2-5-100	1 to 5 Channel, 0 to 1000kPa pressure range
W2-6.2-1-200 to W2-6.2-5-200	1 to 5 Channel, 0 to 2000kPa pressure range
W2-6.2-1-5-20 to W2-6.2-5-5-20	1 to 5 Channel -50 to 200kPa pressure range
W2-6.2-1-5-50 to W2-6.2-5-5-50	1 to 5 Channel -50 to 500kPa pressure range

#### **Terminal Panel**

#### Connects to Master Bourdon Gauge. Wall mounted panel, for use with ¼inch nylon tubing

VVZ-7.2-2 tO VVZ-7.2-20	For zino. to zuno. piezorneter tips
W6-5.1 / W6-5.2	Terminal cabinet; 600 x 600 x 250mm, for up to 8No. piezometer terminal panel / 800 x 600 x 250mm, for up to 12No. piezometer terminal panel

# De-Airing Equipment

# For use with 1/4 inch nylon tubing

W6-7.1	Water circulating unit; single cylinder, send pressure only
W2-8.1-1	Portable/Wall Mount De-airing Unit 4.5 litres; 500kPa pressure range - manual pumps only
W2-8.1-2 / W2-8.1-3 / W2-8.1-4	Portable/Wall Mount De-airing Unit 4.5 litres; 500kPa / 1000kPa / 1700kPa pressure range - manual pumps supplied for up to 500kPa with connection for electric pumps
W2-8.3-1	Portable/Wall Mount De-airing Unit 9 litres; 500kPa pressure range - manual pumps only
W2-8.3-2 / W2-8.3-3 / W2-8.3-4	Portable/Wall Mount De-airing Unit 9 litres; 500kPa / 1000kPa / 1700kPa pressure range - manual pumps supplied for up to 500kPa with connection for electric pumps
W6-7.2 / W6-7.3	De-aired water boiler; 240Vac, 50Hz electrical supply / De-aired water boiler; 110Vac, 60Hz electrical supply
W2-8.10 / W2-8.11	Portable Electric Compressor; 240Vac, 50Hz electrical supply / Portable Electric Vacuum Pump; 240Vac, 50Hz electrical supply
W6-7.5 / W2-8.15	Pressure Pump / Vacuum Pump

#### Manuals

MAN-46	Hydraulic Piezometer
MAN-47	Hydraulic Piezometer System with de-airing unit, electric pumps and digital readout
MAN-82	Hydraulic Piezometer Terminal Equipment with transducer and pressure logger
MAN-97	De-airing Unit with manual pumps
MAN-104	De-airing Unit with electric pumps
MAN-165	De-airing Unit, twin cylinder



