

# **PORTABLE DEW POINT MONITOR**

**MODEL: DPM8098  
DPM8098-230VAC**

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**DEW POINT MONITOR  
MODEL 8098**

**SPECIFICATIONS**

Dew Point Range:	-40°F to +15 °F (-40° C to -9° C)
Sensor Part #:	1205DM
Accuracy:	±2 °F
Max. Pressure:	+7 psig
Alarm Set Point:	-10°F (-23°C) (Adjustable, see Maintenance)
Alarm Indication:	Red Light and Audible Alarm With Silencer Switch.
Alarm Output:	Normally Open and Normally Closed Dry Contacts Rated @ 5AMP, 115VAC.
Recorder Output:	4-20mA scaled as -40° F to +70° F, Jumper selectable 0-5V.  $\text{mA} = \frac{\text{DP} + 67.5}{6.875} \quad \text{or} \quad \text{V} = \frac{\text{DP} + 40}{22}$ $-40 = 4\text{mA or } 0\text{V} \quad 70 = 20 \text{ mA or } 5\text{V}$
Power Requirements:	115VAC ±10%, 50/60Hz, 0.1 AMPS (230V available)
Pump Specifications:	Flow: 2.5 L/min (0.08 SCFM) Vacuum: 6.8" of Hg Pressure: 3.2 psi (All pump specifications are nominal)
Enclosure:	Lexan NEMA-12 Electrical Box, CSA Approved. Wall Mountable or Portable With Removable Front Cover.
Dimensions:	10½" x 8½" x 6"
Net Weight:	8.5 lbs.

**PRINCIPLE OF OPERATION**

The Dew Point Monitor is an instrument used to check the operation of a desiccant dryer. The monitor samples process air from the dryer into an internal manifold containing a **HYGROSENSOR** which varies its electrical resistance inversely proportional to the dew point of the sampled air.

The **HYGROSENSOR** is measured by an internal circuit which drives the LED display and illuminates either the red or green light. Air is sampled via tubing through an in line filter and through a copper cooling coil. The cooling coil enables dew point monitoring at elevated temperatures (500°F max.). A

green light indicates a properly functioning desiccant dryer.

## **INSTALLATION**

The Dew Point Monitor can be used to sample air that is at a pressure between -3 and +7 psig. This pressure range is typical of plastic hopper drying systems. Air up to 500 °F (drybulb) can be sampled.

### **Enclosure Mounting**

1. Remove the screws that hold the brackets on the backside of the unit.
2. Re-install brackets so the flanges extend beyond the top and bottom of the unit.
3. Mount the unit to a chosen location with bolts.

### **Sample Air Connection**

Choose a sampling location in your system where you wish to measure dew point. Insert one end of the clear tubing into your sample location and connect the other end to the copper coil.

Turn power on and allow reading to stabilize. This may take 10-20 minutes when Dew Point Monitor is first installed. After the unit has operated a while, it will respond to changes in dew point in about 5 minutes. Faster response can be obtained by shortening the length of sample tubing as your application allows.

**NOTE:** The length of copper tubing should not be shortened.

### **Remote Alarm Connection**

Refer to the wiring diagram for details on alarm connection.

1. Route wires through the liquid tight fitting on the side of the dew point monitor.
2. Connect wires to terminal block on PC Board.
  - 5 & 6 are normally closed. They make continuity when the dew point is below set point (green light).
  - 4 & 5 are normally opened. They make continuity when the dew point is above set point (red light).
3. Gently tighten the liquid tight fitting.

### **Recorder Output Connection**

1. Route wires through the liquid tight fitting on the side of the dew point monitor.
2. Connect wires to terminal 7 & 8 of the PC Board. Terminal 7 is positive, 8 is common.
3. Gently tighten the liquid tight fitting.

## **OPERATION**

If the unit is sampling process air after it leaves a drying hopper filled with hygroscopic material, initially high dew points will be encountered. As the moisture is purged out of the material the dew point decreases. For most thermoplastic resins -10°F dew point is an acceptable condition for the process air leaving the hopper.

If the Dew Point Monitor indicates a High Alarm, the following conditions should be considered:

1. There is a leak in the dryer system or sampling line.
2. The dryer is overloaded by excessively wet material.
3. The dryer has a mechanical or electrical failure.
4. The Dew Point Monitor has failed (see calibration and maintenance instructions).

## **MAINTENANCE**

Field calibration of the Hygrosensor is impractical. Therefore it is suggested that a spare sensor be kept on hand to serve as a quick accuracy check.

### **Dry Down Test**

Verification of the Dew Point Monitor's ability to read down to -40°F can be performed by the following steps.

1. Turn the selector valve fully closed (clockwise).
2. Connect one end of the desiccant cartridge to the sample air inlet tubing and the other end to the pump vent tubing.
3. Turn the power on and allow 10 - 20 minutes for the unit to read -40°F ( $\pm 2^{\circ}\text{F}$ ). If Dew Point Monitor doesn't read properly, check for proper vacuum (3" of Hg minimum), replace sensor, perform Electronic Test, or contact Newport Scientific for factory service.

The desiccant in the tube should be blue. If the color has faded, the desiccant should be regenerated by pouring the desiccant into a suitable container and then heated in a 350°F oven for one hour. This can also be done in a microwave oven for 10 minutes set on high. Allow desiccant to cool and replace back in tube.

## Sensor Replacement Procedure

Replacement of the sensor is recommended on a yearly basis.

### **\*\* Remove power to the Dew Point Monitor before servicing.**

1. Remove the panel from instrument case.
2. Disconnect the sensor cable from the manifold.
3. Remove the hex nut and slide the sensor and socket out of the manifold. Remove old desiccant capsule from manifold if present.
4. If your new sensor is packaged with a desiccant capsule, drop it into the manifold.
5. Remove old sensor from socket and press the new sensor into the socket. Then slide the sensor and socket into the manifold.
6. Replace and hand-tighten the hex nut.
7. Install panel in instrument case.

## Alarm Set Point Adjustment

### **\*\* Remove power to the Dew Point Monitor before servicing.**

1. Remove the front cover.
2. Locate the set point switch (SW1) on the PC Board.
3. Move the switch to the upper position and apply power to the Dew Point Monitor.
4. View the set point on the digital display and adjust P3 for desired set point.
5. Remove power, return SW1 to the lower position and replace the front cover.

## Recorder Output Selection

### **\*\* Remove power to the Dew Point Monitor before servicing.**

1. Remove the front cover.
2. Locate jumper J9 on the PC Board.
3. Refer to the wiring diagram to select either 4-20mA or 0-5V jumper position.
4. Replace the front cover.

## Display Units Selection

### **\*\* Remove power to the Dew Point Monitor before servicing.**

1. Remove the front cover.
2. Locate jumpers J10 and J11 on the PC Board.
3. Refer to the wiring diagram to select either °F or °C jumper positions. Both J10 and J11 must be in the same position for proper operation.
4. Replace the front cover.

## Electronic Test Procedure

This procedure checks the operation of the circuit. Perform this procedure if display does not respond to the DRY-DOWN TEST described earlier and if the electronics are suspect.

### **WARNING**

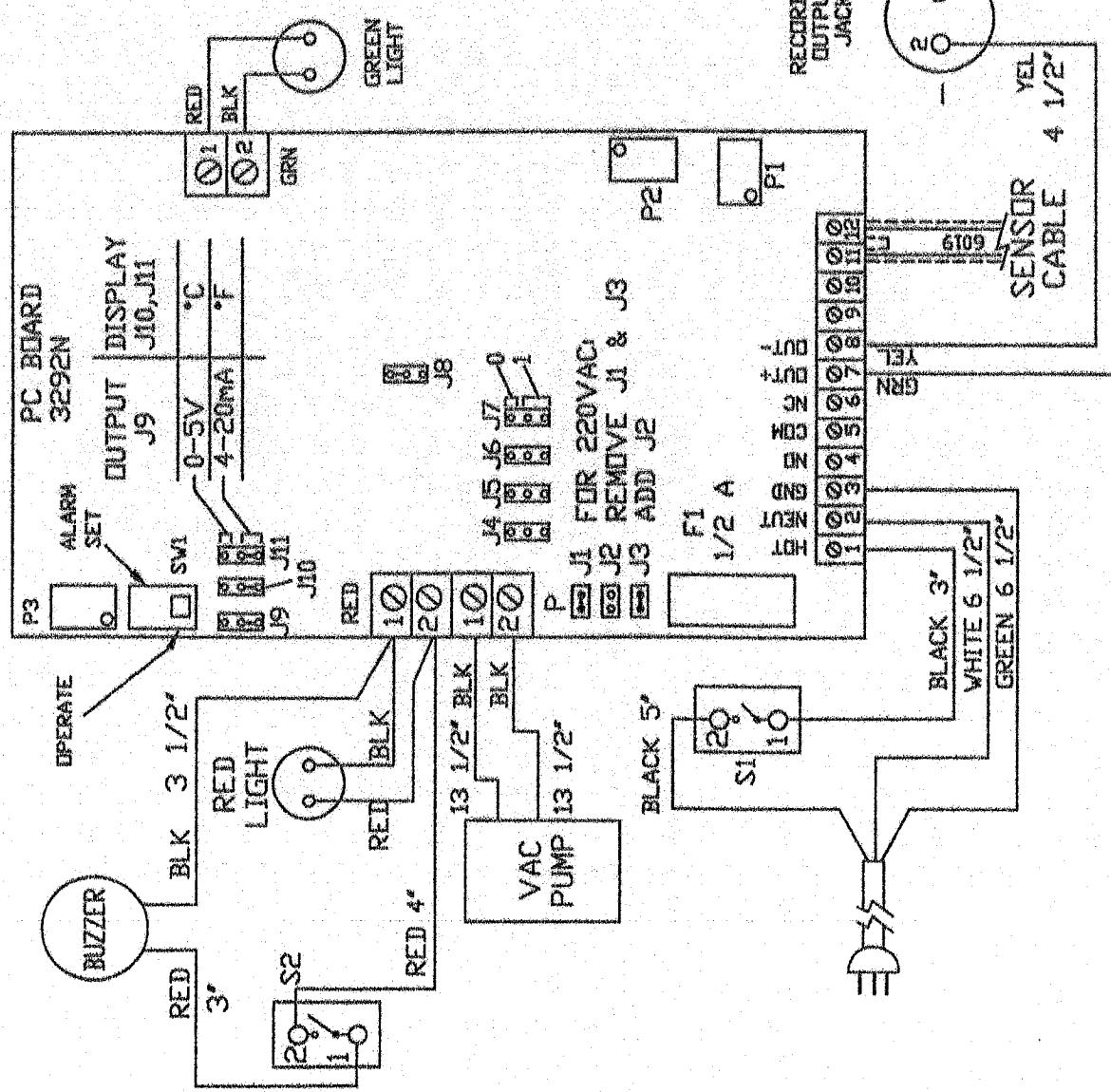
**THE FOLLOWING PROCEDURE IS PERFORMED WITH POWER APPLIED. TO PREVENT SHOCK, DO NOT TOUCH ANY TERMINALS INSIDE THE DEW POINT MONITOR.**

1. Remove the front cover and disconnect the brown sensor cable from the sensor manifold.
2. Connect the Dew Point monitor to power and turn it on. With sensor cable disconnected, the Dew Point Monitor should read  $-40^{\circ}\text{F} \pm 2^{\circ}\text{F}$ .
3. Place a jumper across the sensor cable. The Dew point Monitor should read  $+15^{\circ}\text{F} \pm 2^{\circ}\text{F}$ .

If display fails to read these values, contact Plastic Process Equipment for factory service.

## **SPARE PARTS**

DTR-30	-----	Desiccant Tube
1205DM	-----	HYGROSENSOR
3305005	-----	Filter



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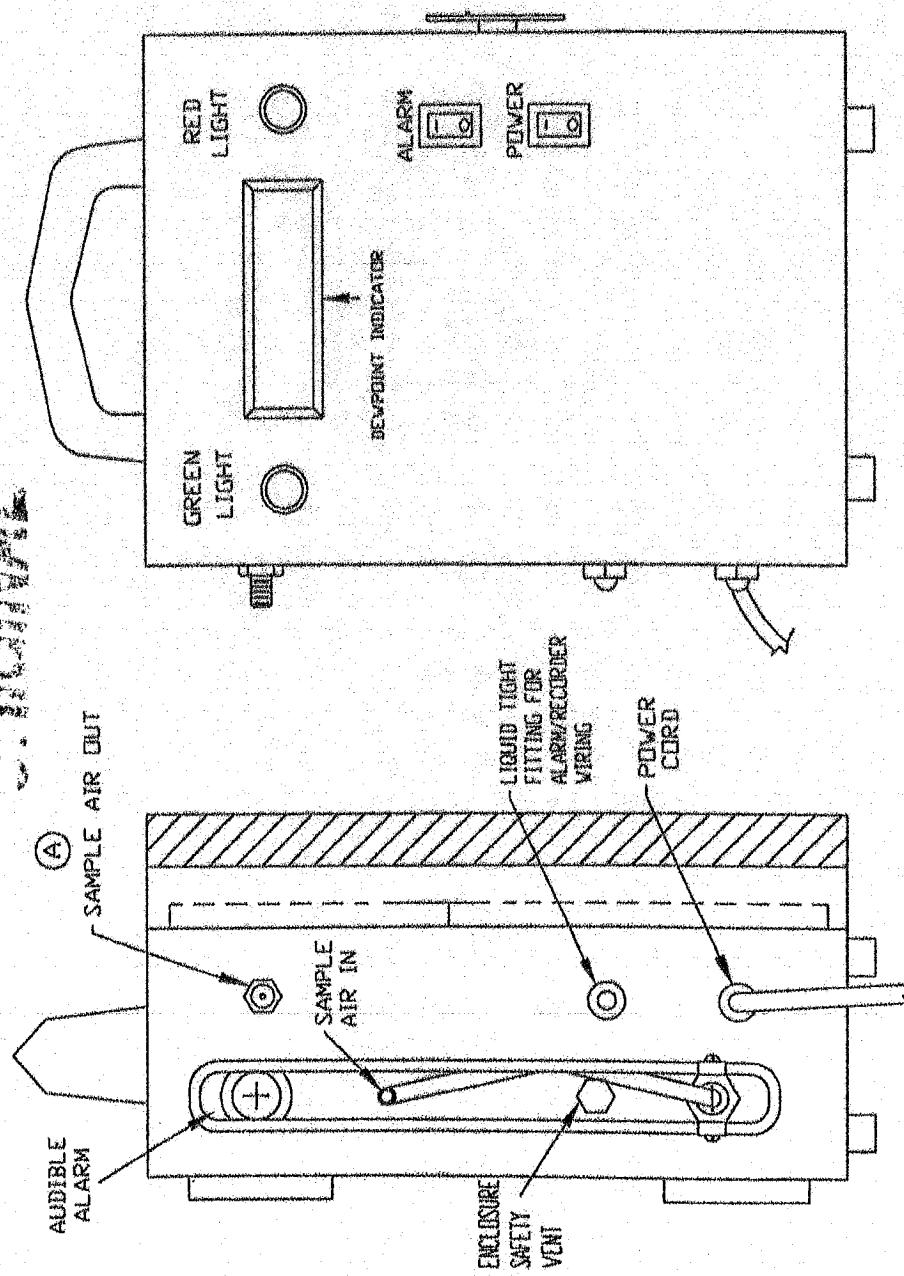
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