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# 1 Introduction

## **1.1** About HumidiProbe



HumidiProbe is a complete, self-contained temperature and humidity measuring device. It is calibrated to give highly accurate readings, which it takes every two seconds from a dual-purpose humidity and temperature sensor. Its USB connector is compatible with standard PCs and laptops

The PicoLog data logging program will collect data supplied by the HumidiProbe, or you can use the HumidiProbe driver software to custom-build your own programs that take advantage of its features.

PicoLog and the driver support up to four HumidiProbe units.

## **1.2** Intended use

HumidiProbe is suitable for measuring temperature and relative humidity in benign environments, particularly indoors. You must not expose the unit to temperatures outside the maximum range (see <u>Specifications</u>).

The driver software, which runs under Microsoft Windows XP SP2, Vista or later, contains everything necessary to convert the sensor readings into temperature and relative humidity.

## **1.3** This document

This document describes the physical and electrical properties of HumidiProbe, and explains how to use the software drivers.

For more information about using HumidiProbe with PicoLog, please consult the following files:

- plw.en.chm (Windows help file)
- PLW044.pdf (printable PDF file)

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## 2.1 CE notice

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# 3 Using HumidiProbe

## 3.1 Specifications

Humidity	
Range	0% to 100% relative humidity (non-condensing)
Accuracy	±2%
Resolution	0.03%
Response time	4 seconds
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Temperature	
Range	0 to +70°C
Accuracy	±0.5°C
Resolution	0.01°C
Response time	5 to 30 seconds
Conversion time	2 seconds (humidity and temperature)
Interface	USB 1.1 (compatible with USB 2.0)
Connector	Integrated USB cable and connector
Enclosure	
Dimensions	Ø 22 mm, length 170 mm
	(approx. 4.5 m including cable)
Material	Grey ABS
Protection	NOT waterproof

## **3.2** Connecting HumidiProbe (quick guide)

Important note: Always install the PicoLog software BEFORE connecting your HumidiProbe to the computer for the first time.

Once the software is installed, connect the HumidiProbe to the USB port on your computer using the integrated cable and connector.

To set up the unit with PicoLog, do the following:

- 1. Open PicoLog Recorder.
- 2. Select New settings from the File menu.
- 3. In the **Recording** dialog box, click **OK**.
- 4. In the Sampling Rate dialog box, click OK.
- 5. In the **Converter details** dialog box, select **HumidiProbe** from the drop-down box and click **OK**.
- 6. In the HumidiProbe Channels dialog box, double-click on Temp unused.
- 7. In the **Edit HumidiProbe Channel** dialog box, click **OK** and PicoLog will activate the Temperature parameter.
- 8. In the HumidiProbe Channels dialog box, double-click on Humidity unused.
- 9. In the **Edit HumidiProbe Channel** dialog box, click **OK** and PicoLog will activate the Humidity parameter.
- 10. In the HumidiProbe Channels dialog box, click OK.
- 11. PicoLog Recorder should now display the temperature and humidity.

For a more detailed description of the procedure, see <u>Connecting HumidiProbe (detailed guide)</u>.

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