

# **MODEL GEO-DRO1**FIRST CLASS PYRHELIOMETER

The GEO-DR01 is a research grade normal incidence direct solar irradiance sensor (also known as a pyrheliometer). Suitable for tracker mounted operation, the GEO-DR01 is intended for short-wave direct solar irradiance measurement of the sun. The GEO-DR01 is a 'First Class' compliant pyrheliometer, as per the latest ISO and WMO standards.



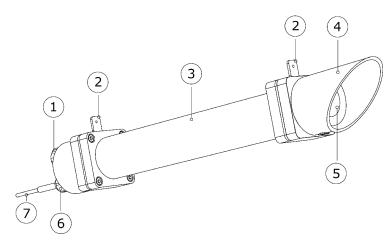


Figure 1 GEO-DR01 pyrheliometer: (1) humidity indicator, (2) sights, (3) aperture tube, (4) protection cap, (5) window with heater, (6) cable gland, (7) cable



## **MORE OPTIONS**

- · extended cable,
- AC100 / AC420 amplifiers

#### INTRODUCTION

The GEO-DR01 foreoptic assembly features a precision ground and polished quartz window/lens, for true spectral solar transmission ranging from 0.2 - 4.0 µm. As per the latest ISO-9060 and WMO standards, the full opening view angle of the DR01 is collimated precisely to 5.0° degrees, making the sensor ideally suited for normal incidence direct solar irradiance measurement.

Capable of measuring up to four suns, 4000 W/m², the GEO-DR01 pyrheliometer can be deployed anywhere on earth. The instrument employs a passive thermopile-based sensing technology that generates a low level DC millivolt output signal proportional to the normal incident direct solar flux received at the detector surface. The DR01 also features a thermally isolated low power window/lens heater in the foreoptic; when cycled on/off prior to sunrise the heater effectively eliminates the formation of dew on the pyrheliometer window /lens, thus resulting in improved post sunrise early morning measurement accuracy.

Determining direct solar irradiance with the DR01 requires connection to a data acquisition device with a measurement resolution of ten micro-volts or better, and an autonomous two-axis solar tracker platform. Typical DR01 measurement applications include scientific meteorological/climate observations, material testing research, solar collector/PV panel efficiency and solar renewable resource assessment. Each DR01 is calibrated upon manufacture and delivered standard with a WRR (World Radiometric Reference) traceable certificate of calibration.

### SUGGESTED USE

- climatology / meteorology
- material testing research
- solar collector and PV panel efficiency validation
- solar renewable resource assessment



## **GEO-DR01 SPECIFICATIONS**

**ISO classification** First Class **Spectral range** 200 to 4000 nm

**Response time** 18 s (95% response time)

**Resolution** Analogue output, so the resolution

depends on the data acquisition only. For METEODATA, the resolution

is  $0.1 \text{ W/m}^2$  or better.

Non-Linearity < ±0.3%
Full opening view angle 5 degrees
Slope angle 1 degree

Irradiance range  $0 \text{ to } 4000 \text{ W/m}^2$ Sensitivity (nominal)  $10 \text{ µV/ W/m}^2$ Temperature range  $-40^{\circ}$  to  $+80^{\circ}$  C Temperature dependence  $< 0.1\%/^{\circ}$ C Relative Humidity range 0 - 100%

Non stability (drift) < ±1 per year (full scale)
Output signal Analogue voltage 0 to 30 mV

Calibration traceability WRR

Impendance 400 to 500 Ohm

**Cable length** 5m standard (longer lengths optional)

Window Heating 0.5 W @ 12VDC



Meteorological Station with SunTracker-3000



Model METEODATA-2000/3000 (Optional Data Logger)