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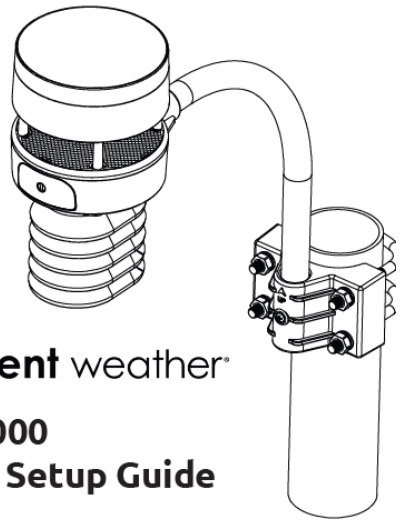
For more detailed assembly and installation instructions, scan the QR code below to view our step-by-step installation video.

The package contains:

- Ultrasonic anemometer with complete weather sensor array
- Wireless Extra Large Rain Gaug
- Indoor baro-thermo-hygro sensor
- Display console with desk stanc
- Mounting Hardware

What you will need:

- Adjustable Wrench or 10mm Wrench
- Flat-head screwdriver
- (3) AA batteries



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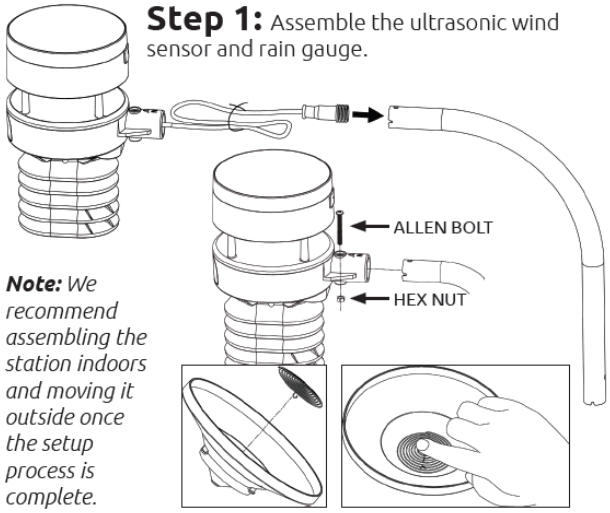
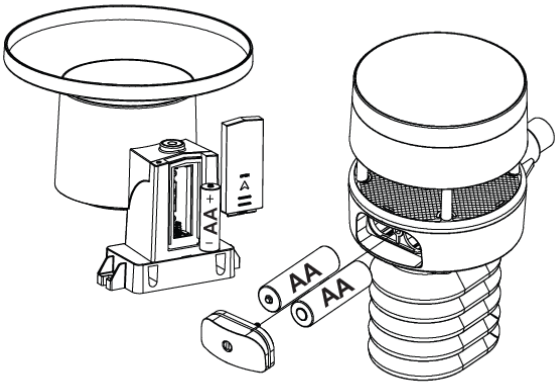
Quick Setup Guide

Step 1: Assemble the ultrasonic wind sensor and rain gauge.



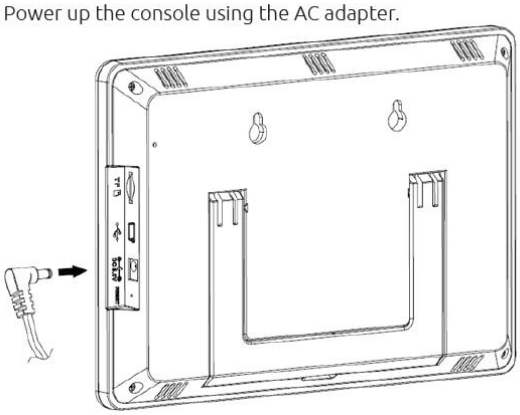
Note: *We recommend assembling the station indoors and moving it outside once the setup process is complete.*

Step 2: Insert batteries into the ultrasonic wind sensor (2 x AA) and rain gauge (1 x AA). Close the battery doors completely and secure using flat-head screwdriver.



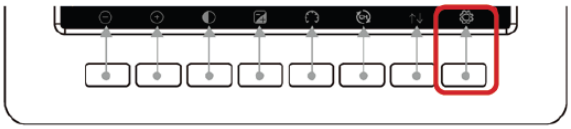
Step 3:

Power up the console using the AC adapter.



Step 4a:

WiFi Scan: Press the button corresponding to the gear icon.



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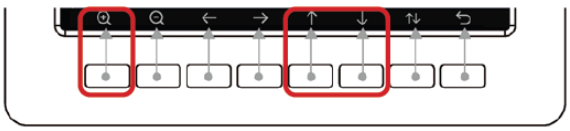

Navigate to your Wireless Network Name / SSID using ↑ ↓, press the select button ↵.

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Step 4b:

Enter the password for your network and press "Ok" when done.

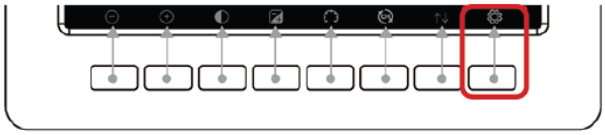


Within 3-5 minutes the WiFi Signal Strength and Ambient Weather Network Icons will appear.



Step 5:

Press the button corresponding to the gear icon.



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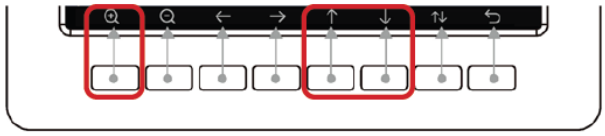
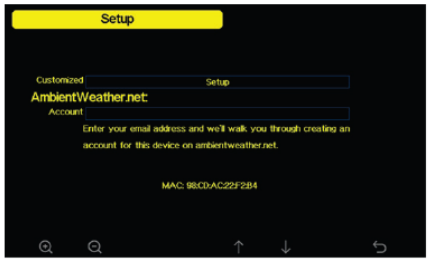
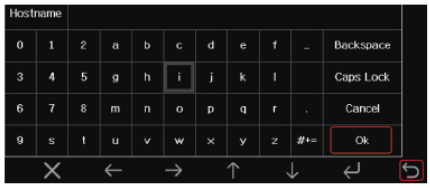


Step 5 (cont'd):

Press the ↓ to Account and Press 🔍. Then, enter the email you would like to use for this weather station on the Ambient Weather Network (if you already have an AWN account and want this station on the same account enter that email address here). When done press Ok.





Step 6:

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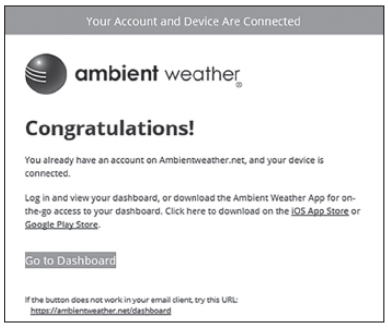
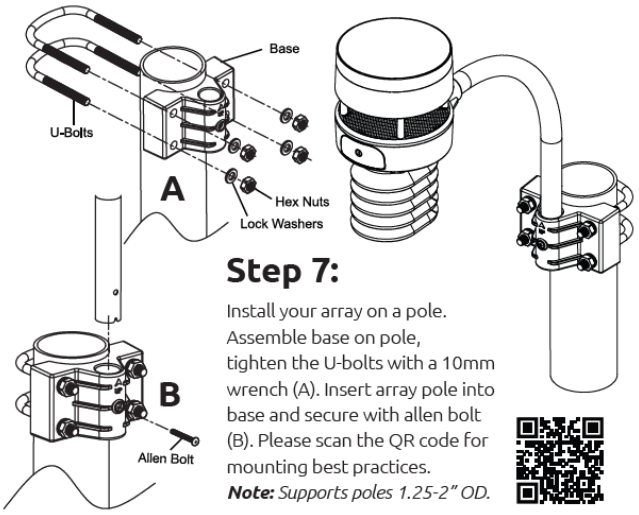




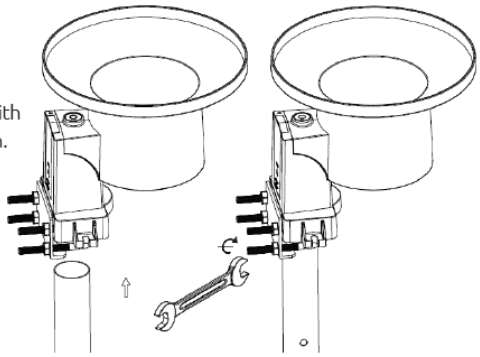
Step 7:

Install your array on a pole. Assemble base on pole, tighten the U-bolts with a 10mm wrench (A). Insert array pole into base and secure with allen bolt (B). Please scan the QR code for mounting best practices.

Note: *Supports poles 1.25-2" OD.*

Step 8:

Install your rain gauge on pole. Tighten bolts with a 10mm wrench.



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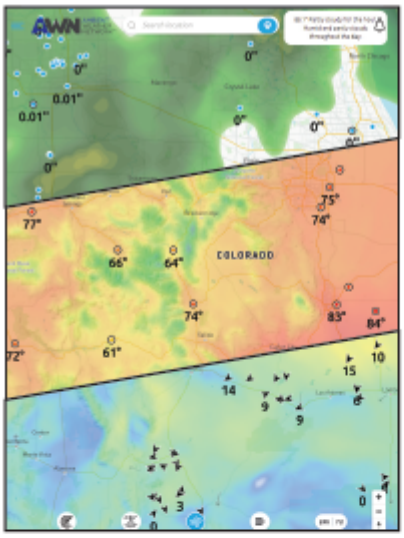

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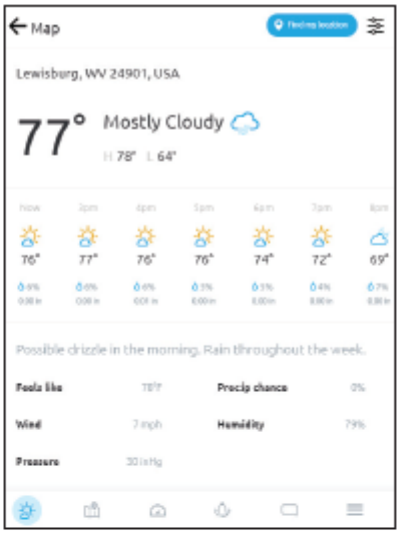

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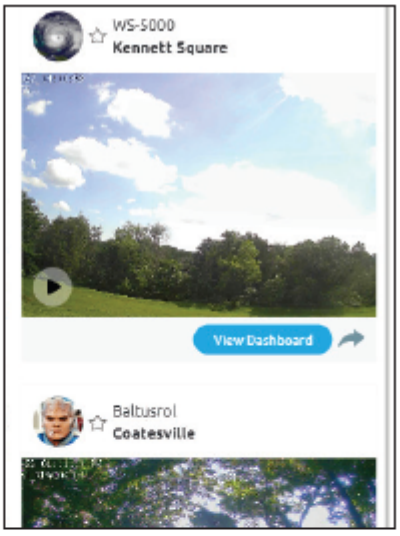

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1. Introduction

Thank you for your purchase of the Ambient Weather WS-5000 Wi-Fi Ultrasonic Solar Powered Wireless Weather Station. The following user guide provides step by step instructions for installation, operation, and troubleshooting. To download the latest manual and additional troubleshooting tips, please visit:

https://ambientweather.com/faqs/question/tags/tag/WS-5000/

2. Warnings and Cautions

⚠ **Warning:** Any metal object may attract a lightning strike, including your weather station mounting pole. Never install the weather station in a storm.

⚠ **Warning:** If you are mounting the weather station to a house or structure, consult a licensed electrician for proper grounding. A direct lightning strike to a metal pole can damage or destroy your home.

⚠ **Warning:** Installing your weather station in a high location may result in injury or death. Perform as much of the initial check out and operation on the ground and inside a building or home. Only install the weather station on a clear, dry, day.

3. Quick Start Guide

Although the manual is comprehensive, much of the information contained may be intuitive. In addition, the manual does not flow properly because the sections are organized by components.

The following Quick Start Guide provides the necessary steps to install and operate the weather station, and upload to the internet, along with references to the pertinent sections.

Step	Description	Section
Power Up		
1	Assemble and power up the ultrasonic sensor array	5.4
2	Assemble and power up the rain gauge	5.5
3	Power up the indoor thermo-hygrometer-barometer	5.6
4	Power up the display tablet and synchronize with sensors	5.12
Mounting		
5	Mount the sensor array	5.4.2
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9	Reset the rain to zero on tablet	6.11
Wi-Fi Settings		
10	Configure Wi-Fi	6.9.15
11	Register and upload to Weather Servers	6.9.14

4. Pre-Installation Checkout and Site Survey

4.1 Pre-Installation Checkout

Before installing your weather station in the permanent location, we recommend operating the weather station for one week in a temporary location with easy access. This will allow you to check out all the functions, ensure proper operation and familiarize you with the weather station and calibration procedures.

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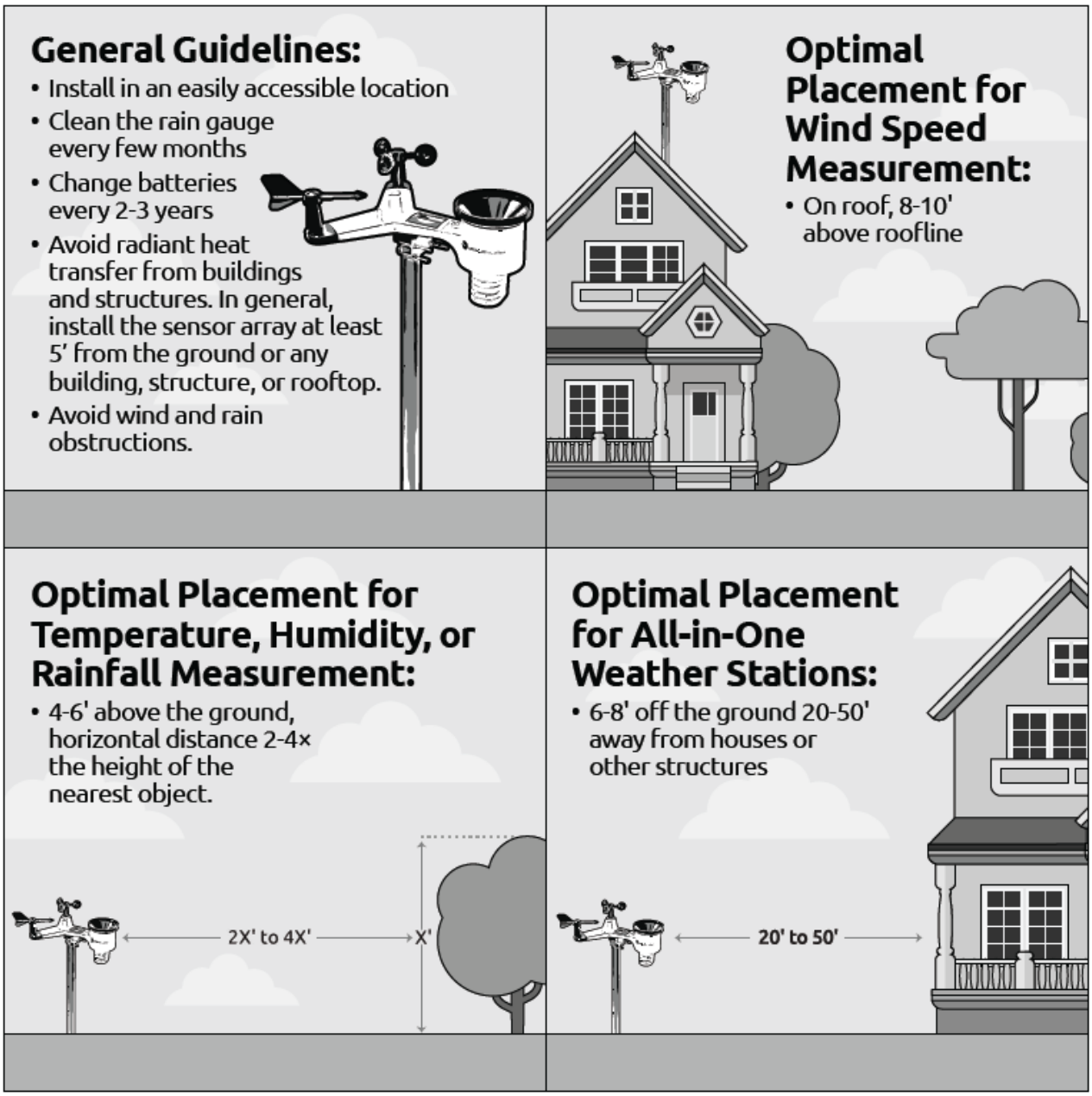
4.2 Site Survey



Perform a site survey before installing the weather station. Consider the following:

1. You must clean the rain gauge every few months and change the batteries every 2-3 years. Provide easy access to the rain gauge and sensor array.
2. Avoid radiant heat transfer from buildings and structures. In general, install the sensor array at least 5' from any building, structure, ground, or roof top.
3. Avoid wind and rain obstructions. The rule of thumb is to install the sensor array at least four times the distance of the height of the tallest obstruction. For example, if the building is 20' tall and the mounting pole is 6' tall, install the sensor array 4 x (20 – 6)' = 56' away.
4. Mount the sensor array in direct sunlight for accurate temperature readings.
5. Installing the weather station over sprinkler systems or other unnatural vegetation may affect temperature and humidity readings. We suggest mounting the sensor array over natural vegetation.
6. Wireless Range. Radio communication between receiver and transmitter in an open field can reach up to 1,000 feet, providing there are no interfering obstacles such as buildings, trees, vehicles and high voltage lines. Wireless signals will not penetrate metal buildings. Under most conditions, the maximum

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wireless range is 300'.

7. Radio Interference. Computers, radios, televisions and other sources can interfere with radio communications between the sensor array and tablet. Please take this into consideration when choosing tablet or mounting locations. Make sure your display tablet is at least five feet away from any electronic device to avoid interference.
8. Visit Ambient Weather Mounting Solutions for assistance and ideas for mounting your weather station:

http://www.ambientweather.com/amwemoso.html

5. Getting Started

The Ambient Weather WS-5000 Ultrasonic Wi-Fi Personal Weather Station consists of one indoor display tablet (RF receiver + Wi-Fi transmitter), one ultrasonic sensor array, one rain gauge, one indoor thermo-hygrometer barometer, and one user manual:

5.1 Parts List

QTY	Item
Display Tablet (Item WS-5000-C)	
1	Display Tablet
1	AC adapter
Ultrasonic Sensor Array Assembly (Item WS-5000-ARRAY)	
1	Ultrasonic sensor array with built-in: thermo-hygrometer / wind speed sensor/ wind direction sensor, light and UV sensor, solar panel
1	Mounting arm
1	Sensor array plastic mounting bracket
1	Mounting screw for connecting sensor array to the mounting pole
4	Threaded nuts for U-Bolts (M5 size)
4	Sensor array lock washers for threaded nuts
2	Sensor array metal mounting plate to be used with U-Bolts
1	Metal wrench for M5 U-Bolts, nuts and washers
Thermo-Hygrometer-Barometer (Item WH32B)	
1	Thermo-hygrometer-barometer transmitter
1	Mounting screw
1	Zip tie for non-surface mounting
WS-5000-RAIN	
1	Rain Gauge
4	Threaded nuts for U-Bolts (M5 size)
2	Sensor array metal mounting plate to be used with U-Bolts
1	Metal wrench for M5 U-Bolts, nuts and washers
1	Funnel coil filter
User manual	

Note: Batteries are not included. We recommend Alkaline (which operate to 4 °F) or Lithium batteries (for operation to -40 °F) are recommended.

Note: AC adapter is included. The adapter is a switching-type adapter and can generate a small amount of electrical interference with the RF reception in the tablet, when placed too close to the tablet. Please keep the tablet display at least 2 ft. or 0.5 m away from the power adapter to ensure best RF reception from the outdoor sensor package.

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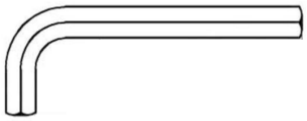
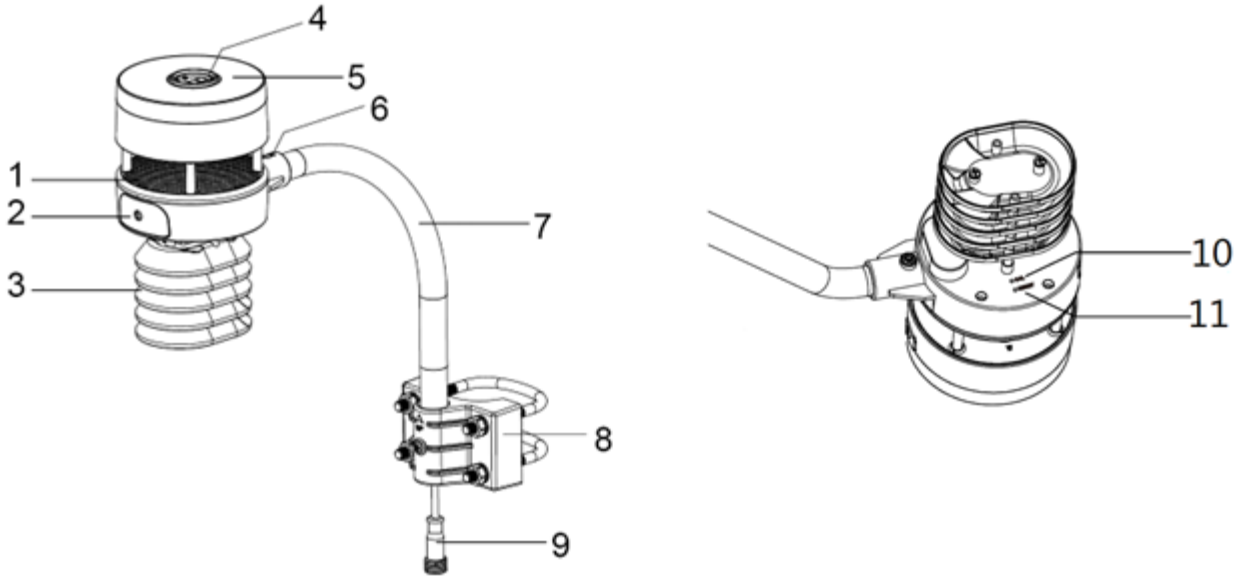
5.2 Included tools

Quantity	Picture	Item
1		Allen wrench for Allen head bolt on mounting arm.

5.3 Recommend Tools

- Compass or GPS (for wind direction calibration).

5.4 Sensor Array Set Up



No	Description	No	Description
1	Sonic wind sensor (wind speed and direction)	7	Mounting arm
2	Battery compartment	8	Mounting U-Bolt and bracket.
3	Temperature and humidity sensor	9	Heater cable
4	Light sensor, LED indicator	10	Calibration button (factory use only)
5	Solar collector	11	Reset button
6	North alignment marker		

Figure 1

5.4.1 Install the Batteries in the Sensor Array

Insert 2 x AA batteries into the battery compartment. Alkaline (> 4 °F) or Lithium batteries for cold weather climates (> -40 °F) are recommended.

The LED indicator on the top of the sensor array will turn on for 3 seconds and flash once every 4.75 seconds (the sensor transmission update period).

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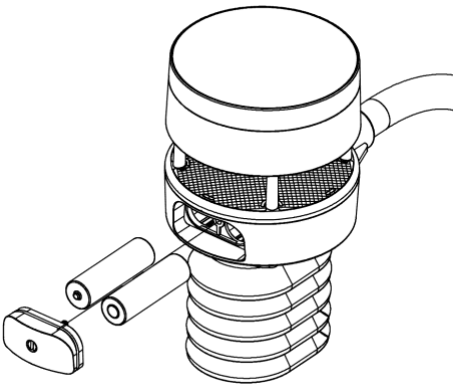

Figure 2

If the LED does not light up or flash, make sure the battery polarity is correct.

5.4.2 Sensor Array Mounting

Install the sensor array plastic mounting bracket to your 1 1/4" to 2" diameter pole, as shown in Figure 3.

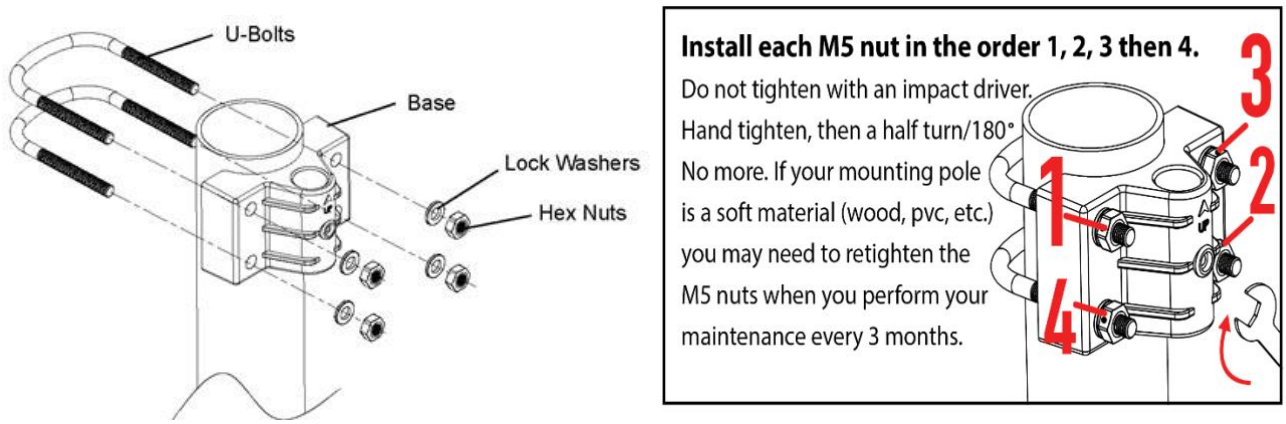

Figure 3

If the optional ultrasonic heater was purchased, and the heater cable is required, untie and snake the heater cable through the mounting arm, as shown in Figure 4.

1. Install each M5 nut in the order above. 1, 2, 3 then 4.
2. Do not tighten with an impact driver. Hand tighten, then a half turn / 180 degrees. No more.
3. If your mounting pole is a soft material (wood, pvc, etc.) you may need to retighten the M5 nuts when you perform your maintenance every 3 months.

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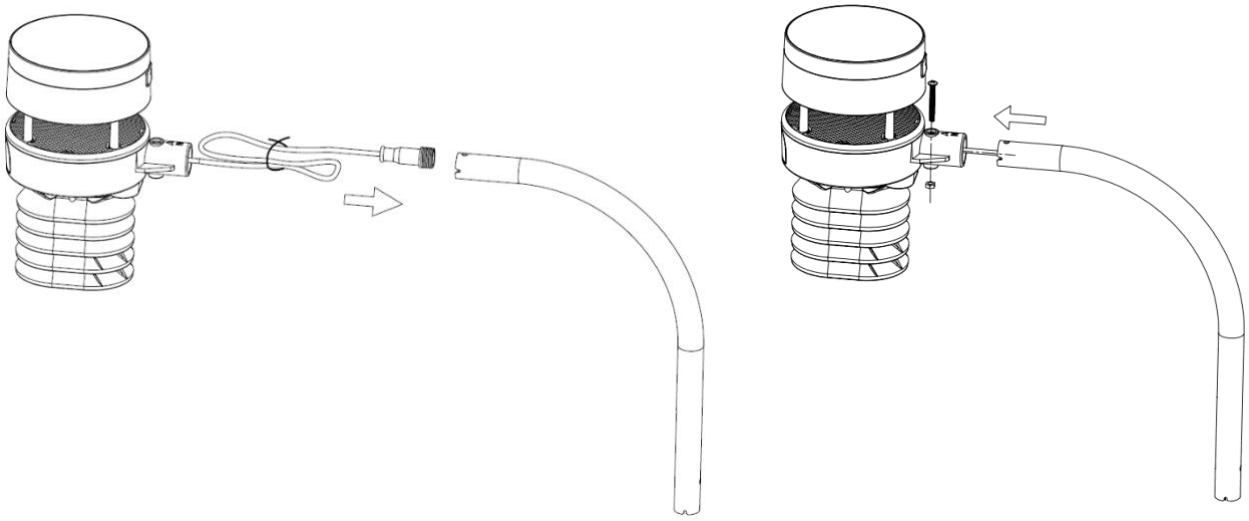

(a) (b)

Figure 4

Attach the mounting arm to the sensor array, as shown in Figure 5.

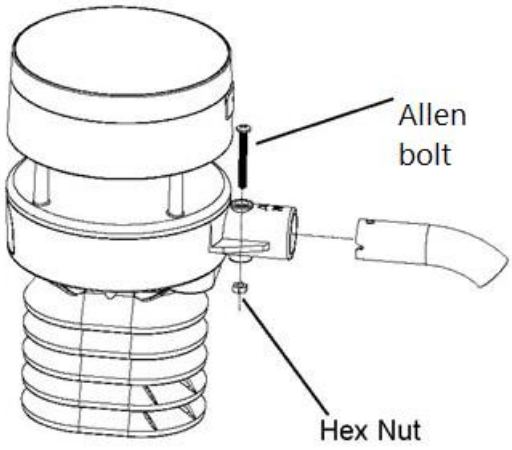

Figure 5

Insert the arm into the base. Align the hole in the base with the hole in the mounting arm and insert the Allen bolt.

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Note: When installing the bolt please tighten so that the threads are protruding from the nut as in the picture below.

Pass the heater cable through the mounting bracket, as shown in Figure 6.

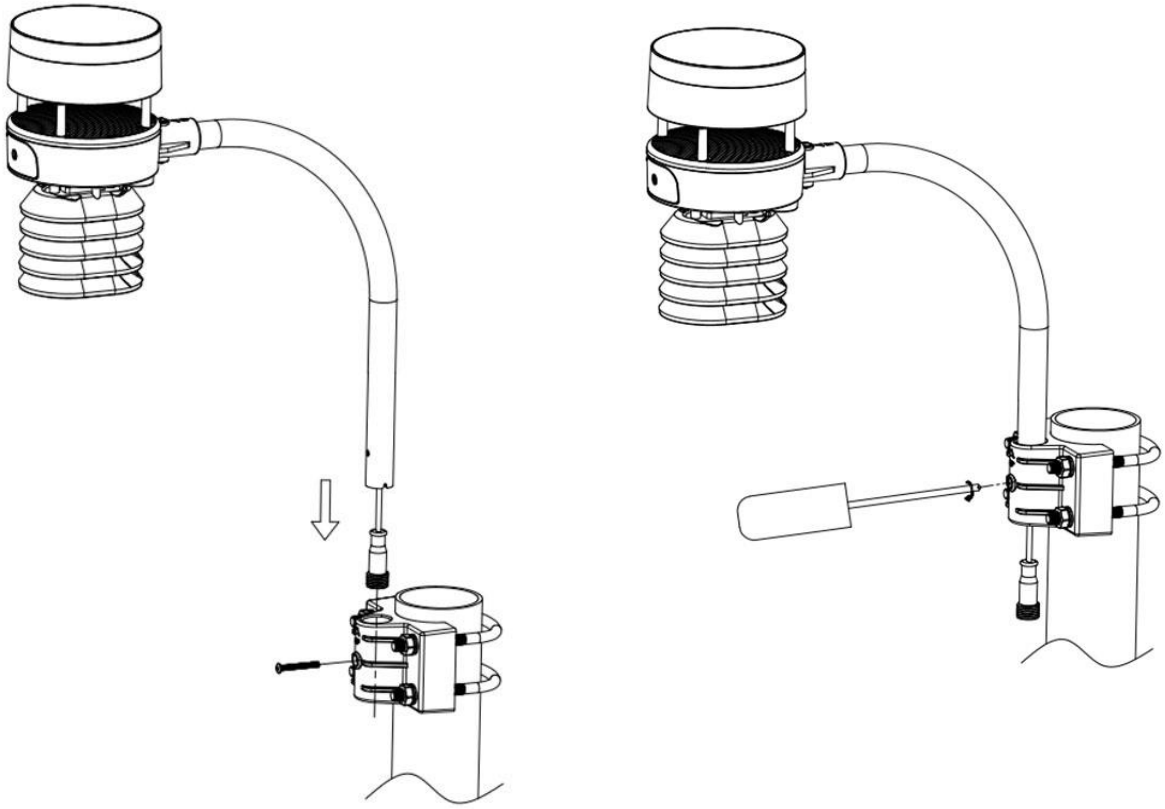

Figure 6

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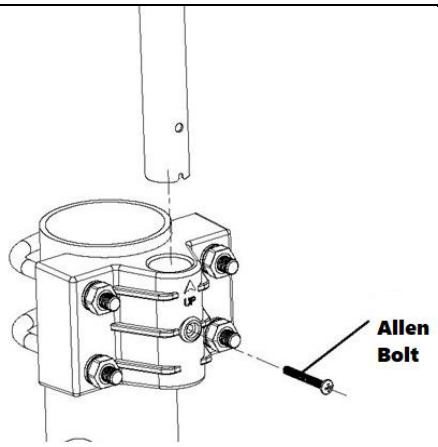

(a)

If the **optional** ultrasonic heater is used, connect the A/C adapter heater cable to the heater, and connect to AC power.

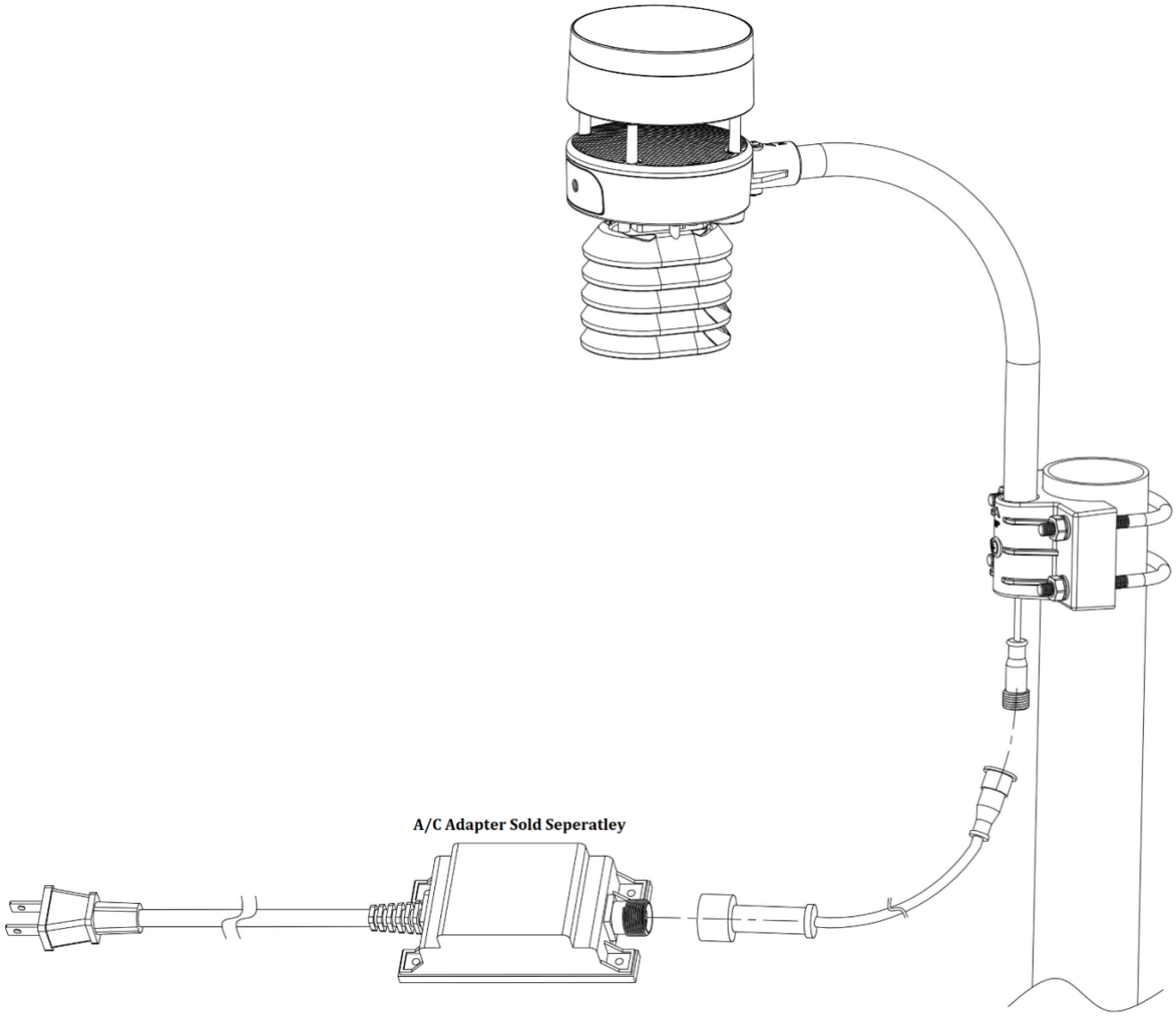

Figure 7

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Locate the North marker on the base of the sensor array, as shown in Figure 8. Point this marker in the direction of North, according to your GPS or compass.

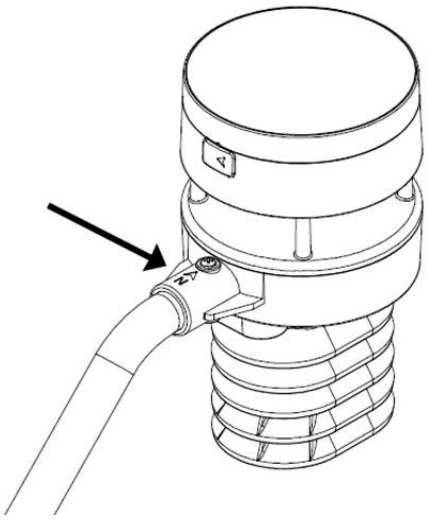

Figure 8

5.5 Rain Gauge Setup

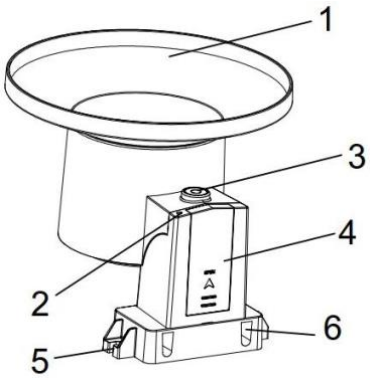

Figure 9

No	Description	No	Description
1	Rain collector and funnel	4	Battery door
2	LED indicator	5	Screw hole
3	Bubble level	6	U-Bolt installation hole

5.5.1 Install the Batteries in the Rain Gauge

Insert 1 x AA battery into the battery compartment. Alkaline (> 4 °F) or Lithium batteries for cold weather climates (> -40 °F) are recommended.

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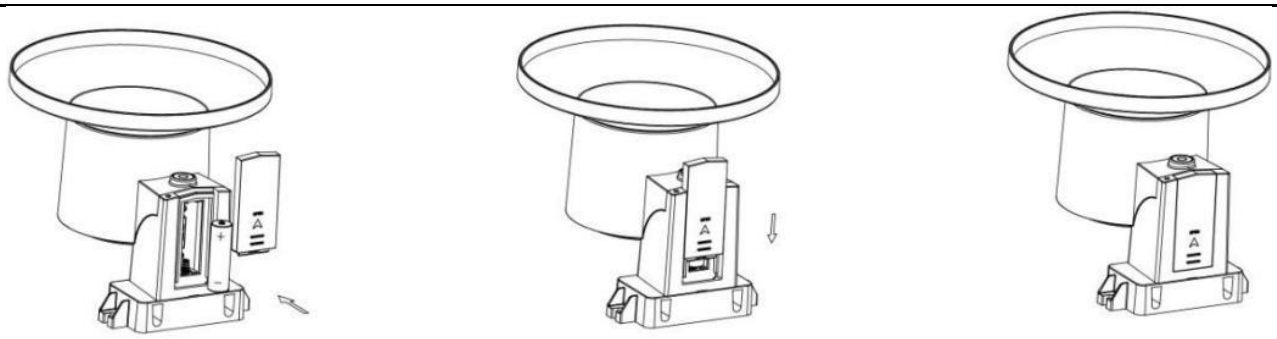

Figure 10

The LED indicator on the top of the rain gauge will turn on for 3 seconds and flash once every 49 seconds (the sensor transmission update period).

If the LED does not light up or flash, make sure the battery polarity is correct. Press the reset button.

5.5.2 Rain Gauge Mounting

Install the sensor array plastic mounting bracket to your 1.25” to 2” diameter pole, as shown in Figure 11

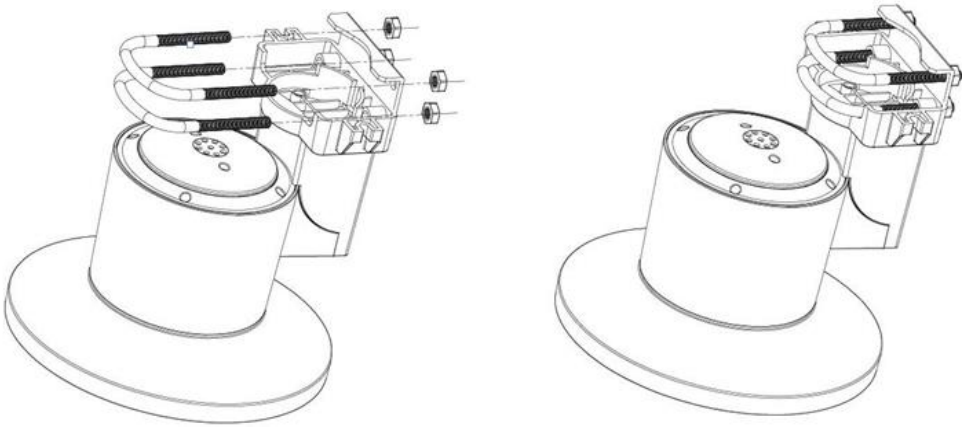

Figure 11

To mount to a wooden post or flat surface, use the two included mounting screws, as shown in Figure 12.

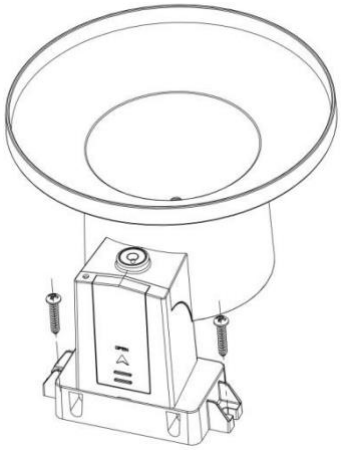

Figure 12

Use the bubble level next to the rain sensor to make sure the sensor array is completely level.

Note: If you cannot read the bubble level due to mounting constraints, place straddle a line or ruler level across the top of the rain gauge for easier viewing.

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5.5.3 Install the Funnel Coil Filter

To install the funnel coil filter, press the coil until the hook is inside the hole at the bottom of the funnel, and locked in place. The spring tension will keep the filter tight on the funnel.

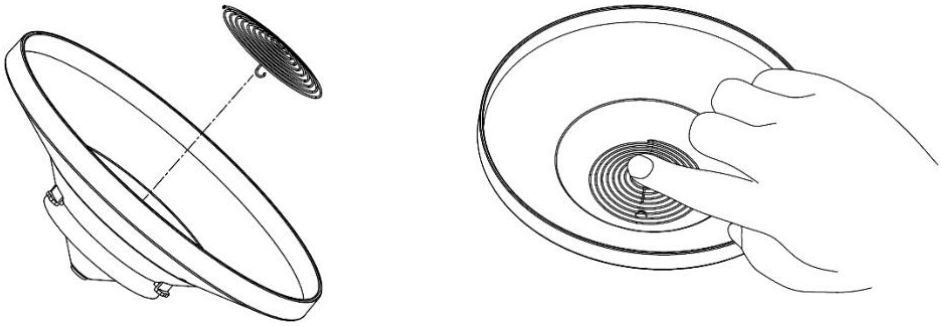

Figure 13

5.6 WH32B Indoor Thermo-Hygrometer-Barometer Transmitter

Remove the battery door on the back of the sensor, as shown in Figure 14.

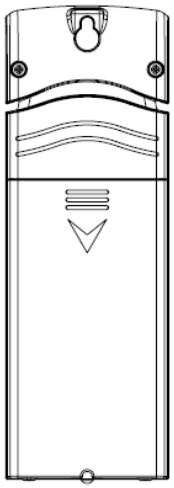

Figure 14

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1. Insert two AA batteries.

2. After inserting the batteries, the remote sensor will display temperature, humidity and barometric pressure on the display, as shown in Figure 15.

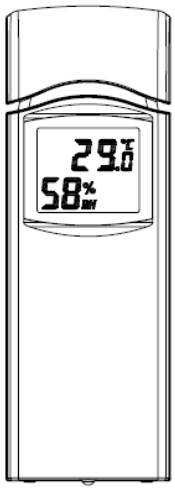

Figure 15

3. This sensor is also capable of displaying in Celsius or Fahrenheit by using the switch under the battery door. As shown in Figure 15a.

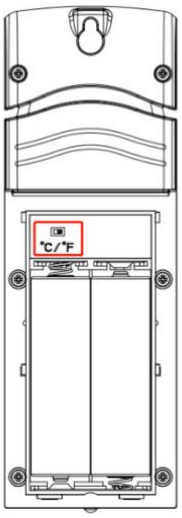

Figure 15a

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5.7 Optional Sensors

The WS-5000 supports the following optional sensors:

Item Number	Number of Channels	Description	Image
AQIN	1	Indoor Air quality Monitor	
PM25	1	PM2.5 Wireless Outdoor Particulate Monitor	
PM25IN	1	PM2.5 Wireless Indoor Particulate Monitor	
WH31E	8*	Thermo-Hygrometer Sensor	
WH31SM	16	Soil Moisture Sensor	
WH31L	1	Lightning Detector	
WH31LA	4	Leak Detector	
WH31P	8*	Probed Thermometer	
WH31PF	8*	Floating Pool Thermometer	
WH51RF	8*	Wireless Refrigerator/Freezer Temperature and Humidity Sensor	

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WH51LW	8*	Leaf Wetness Sensor	

(*) The WH31E, WH31PF, WH51RF and WH31P share the same 8-channels.

Figure 16

5.8 PM2.5 Air Quality Sensor (optional)

The WS-5000 supports one indoor (PM25IN) and one outdoor (PM25) PM2.5 Air Quality sensors. For more information, please visit:

https://ambientweather.com/ampm25.html

5.9 8-channel Indoor/Outdoor Thermo-Hygrometer (optional)

The WS-5000 supports up to 8 additional thermo-hygrometer sensors (WH31), which can be viewed on the display tablet and Internet.

Note: Do not use rechargeable batteries. We recommend fresh alkaline batteries for outdoor temperature ranges between -4 °F and 140 °F and fresh lithium batteries for outdoor temperature ranges between -40 °F and 140 °F.

1. Remove the battery door on the back of the transmitter(s) by sliding down the battery door, as shown in Figure 17 .

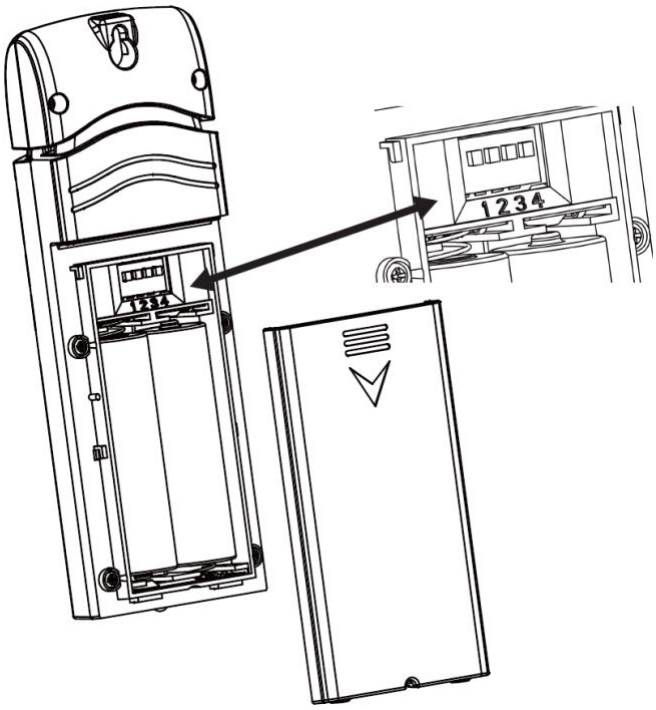

Figure 17

2. **BEFORE** inserting the batteries, locate the dip switches on the inside cover of the lid of the transmitter.

3. **Channel Number:** The WS-5000 supports up to eight transmitters. To set each channel number (the default is Channel 1), change Dip Switches 1, 2 and 3, as referenced in Figure 18.
4. **Temperature Units of Measure:** To change the transmitter display units of measure (°F vs. °C), change Dip Switch 4, as referenced in Figure 18.

Switch in down position. Switch in up position.

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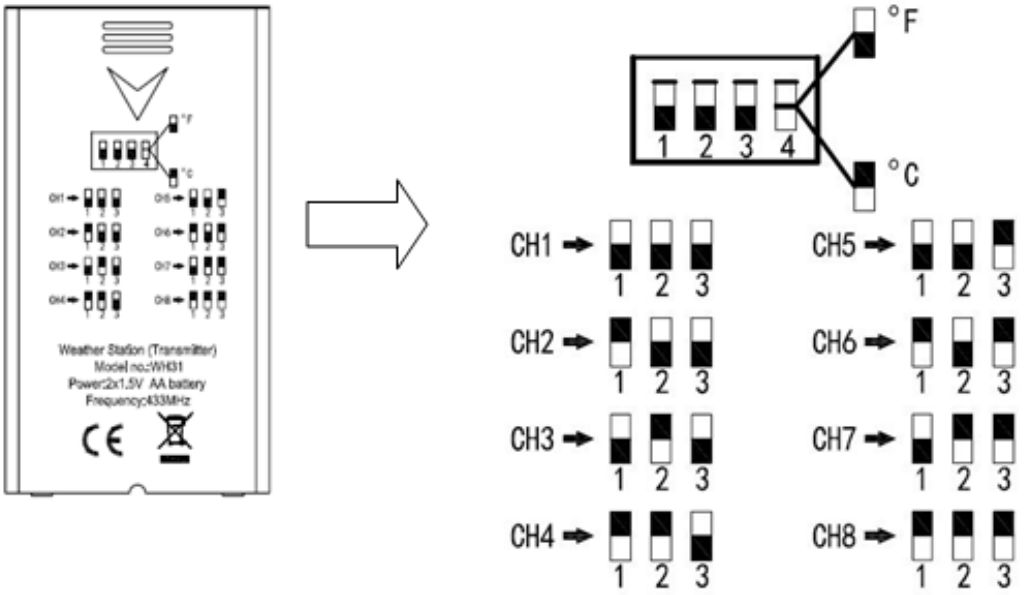

Figure 18

5. Insert two AA batteries.
6. Verify the correct channel number (CH) and temperature units of measure (°F vs. °C) are on the display, as shown in Figure 19.

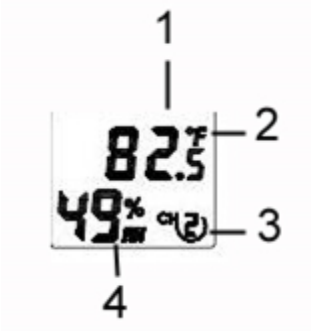

Figure 19

(1) temperature
(2) temperature units (°F vs. °C)
(3) channel number
(4) relative humidity

7. Close the battery door.
8. Repeat for the additional remote transmitters, verifying each remote is on a different channel.

5.10 Sensor Placement

It is recommended you mount the remote sensor outside on a north facing wall, in a shaded area, at a height at or above the receiver. If a north facing wall is not possible, choose a shaded area, under an eave.

Direct sunlight and radiant heat sources will result in inaccurate temperature readings. Although the sensor is weatherproof, it is best to mount in a well-protected area, such as an eve.

1. Use a screw or nail to affix the remote sensor to the wall, as shown in Figure 20
2. Hang the remote sensor up on string, as shown in Figure 20

Note: Make sure the sensor is mounted vertically and not lying down on a flat surface. This will ensure optimum reception. Wireless signals are impacted by distance, interference (other weather stations, wireless

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phones, wireless routers, TVs and computer monitors), and transmission barriers, such as walls. In general, wireless signals will not penetrate solid metal and earth (down a hill, for example).

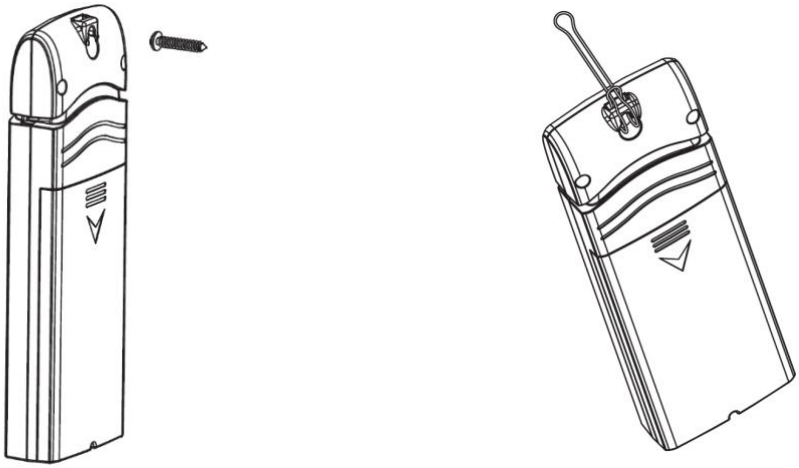

Figure 20

5.11 Best Practices for Wireless Communication

Wireless communication is susceptible to interference, distance, walls, and metal barriers. We recommend the following best practices for trouble free wireless communication.

1. **Electro-Magnetic Interference (EMI)**. Keep the tablet several feet away from computer monitors and TVs.
2. **Radio Frequency Interference (RFI).** If you have other 915 MHz devices and communication is intermittent, try turning off these other devices for troubleshooting purposes. You may need to relocate the transmitters or receivers to avoid intermittent communication.
3. **Line of Sight Rating.** This device is rated at 1,000 feet line of sight (no interference, barriers or walls) but typically you will get 300 feet maximum under most real-world installations, which include passing through barriers or walls.
4. **Metal Barriers.** Radio frequency will not pass-through metal barriers such as aluminum siding. If you have metal siding, align the remote and tablet through a window to get a clear line of sight.

The following is a table of reception loss vs. the transmission medium. Each “wall” or obstruction decreases the transmission range by the factor shown below.

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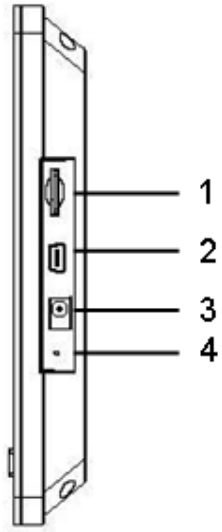
5.12 Display Tablet



Figure 21

Connect the display tablet power jack to AC power with the power adapter (included), as shown in Figure .

Place the sensor array and indoor thermo-hygrometer transmitter about 5 to 10 feet from the display tablet and wait several minutes for the remote sensors to synchronize with the display tablet.



No	Description
1	Memory card slot for upgrades and backup data
2	USB port for loading the operating system (not required by user)
3	Power jack
4	Reset

Figure 22

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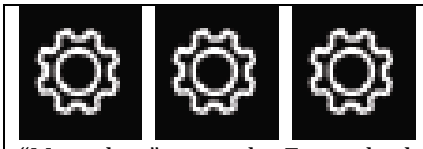
6. Display Tablet Operation

Note: About This Section. The display tablet includes buttons at the bottom with icons signifying the menu functions. This manual includes “quick menu boxes” as shown below, signifying how to access a setting from home screen. For example, to access calibration panel, from the home screen, press the Set Key three times to view the calibration panel.



“Menu box” example. From the home screen, press the Set Key 3 times to view the calibration panel.

6.1 Initial Display Tablet Operation

Connect the display tablet power jack to AC power with the power adapter. The tablet starts to receive from the indoor and outdoor transmitters, as shown in 23.



Figure 23

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6.2 Home Screen Display

The display tablet home screen layout is shown in Figure .

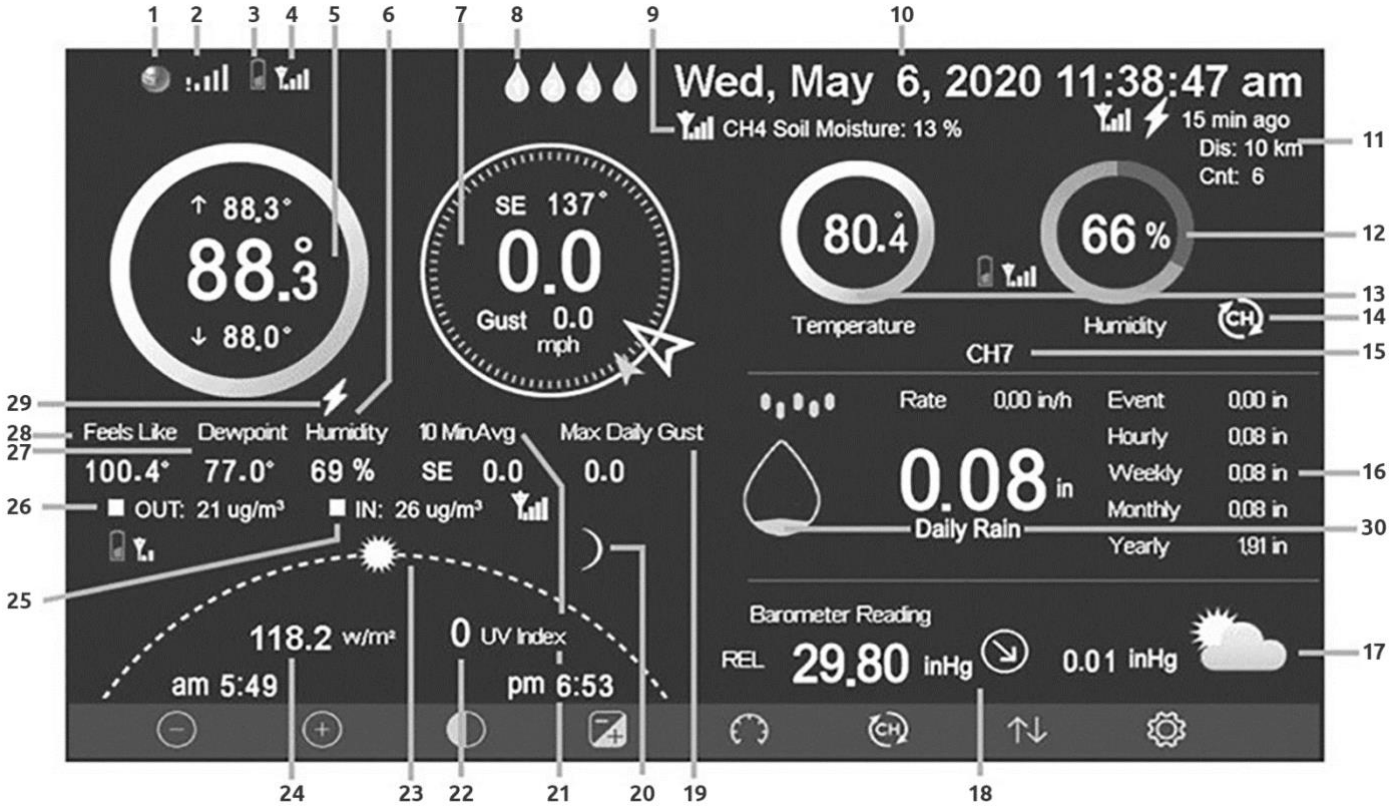

Figure 24

No	Description	No	Description
1	AmbientWeather.net connection icon	16	Rain rate, daily, hourly, weekly, monthly and yearly rain
2	Wi-Fi signal strength icon. An exclamation point ! indicates the display is connected to Wi-Fi but not the Internet.	17	Forecast icon based on rate of change of pressure
3	Outdoor Sensor Array Low Battery Indicator	18	Barometric pressure (REL or ABS), rate of change and rate of change arrow
4	Outdoor Sensor Array Signal Quality	19	Max daily wind gust
5	Current, high and low outdoor temperature	20	Moon Phase
6	Humidity	21	10-minute average wind speed and direction
7	Wind speed, wind gust, current wind direction (blue arrow), 10-minute average wind direction (larger gray arrow).	22	UV Index
8	Leak detector status (channels 1-4)	23	Sunrise, sunset, sun arc
9	Soil moisture, leaf wetness (channels 1-8)	24	Solar Radiation
10	Current date and time	25	Indoor PM2.5 sensor
11	Lighting detector last strike, last strike time and strikes per hour	26	Outdoor PM2.5 sensor
12	Indoor, Channel 1-8 humidity	27	Dew Point
13	Indoor, Channel 1-8 temperature	28	Feels Like Temperature
14	Channel scroll mode indicator	29	Lightning icon appears when then Dew Point exceeds 70 ºF, which signifies conditions may be possible for lightning storms to form in the area.
15	Channel indicator	30	Hourly Rain Icon

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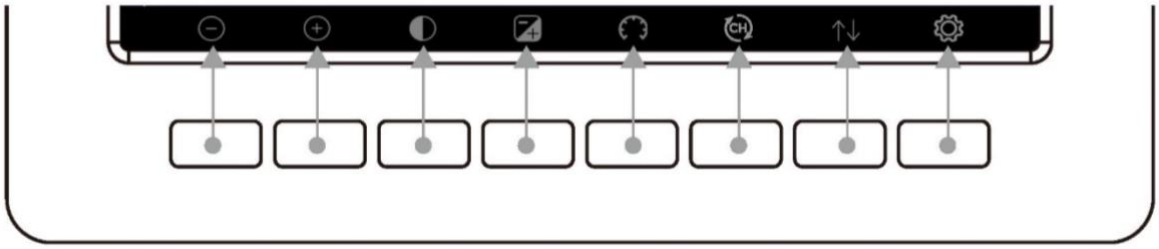
6.3 Display Buttons



Icon	Description
	Brightness control key Press this key to enhance the brightness
	Brightness control key Press this key to decrease the brightness
	Backlight on/off key Press this key to turn on/off the display
	Background key Press this key to choose between dark background display and light background display
	Pressure display key Press this key to choose the display between Absolute pressure and Relative pressure.
	Channel key Press this key to change the display between indoor temperature & humidity, multiple channel temperature & humidity and scroll mode, where the channels scroll every 5 seconds.
	History key Press this key to enter History Mode
	Set key Press this key to enter Set Mode

6.4 Multi-Channel and Scroll Mode for Optional Sensors

You can add up to 8 additional thermos-hygrometer sensors (optional, item number WH31).

Press the Channel Button to switch between indoor and Channels 1-8. After the last channel is selected, press the Channel button one more time to scroll all the sensors every 5 seconds.

Note: For multi-channel sensor data, it will only be fed to ambientweather.net server, and no history data will be saved in the display tablet.

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6.5 Temperature and Humidity Color Gradients

Outdoor/Indoor Temperature Color Ring

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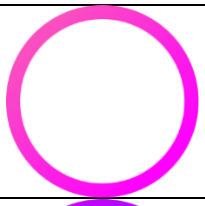
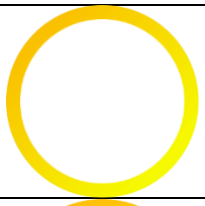
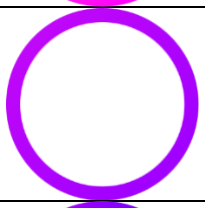
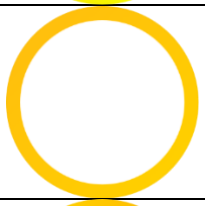
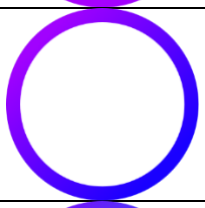
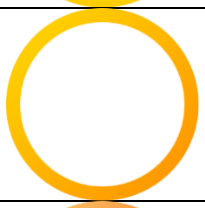
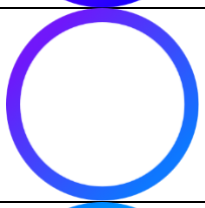
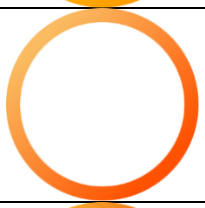
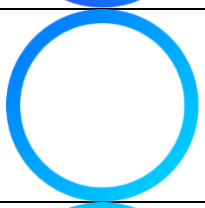
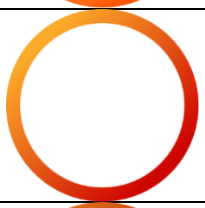
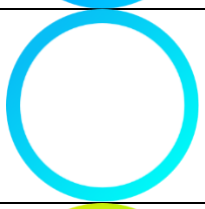
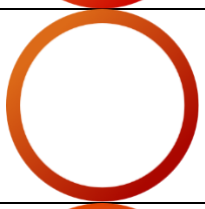
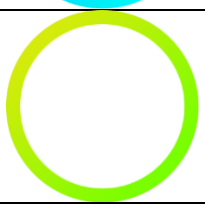
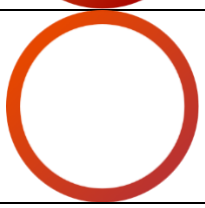
< -10		50-60	
-10 to 0		60-70	
0 to 10		70-80	
10-20		80-90	
20-30		90-100	
30-40		100-110	
40-50		> 110	

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Outdoor/Indoor Humidity Color Ring

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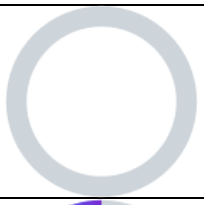
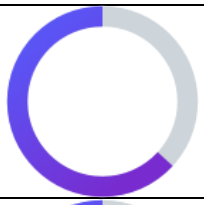
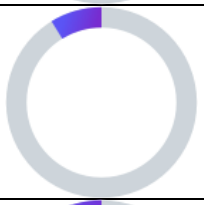
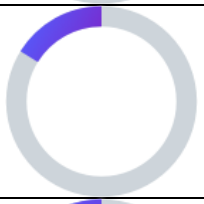
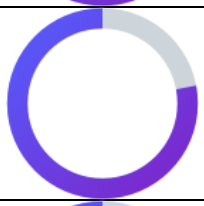
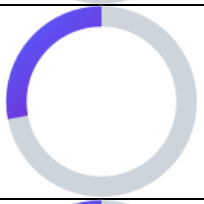
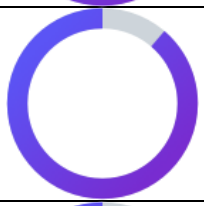
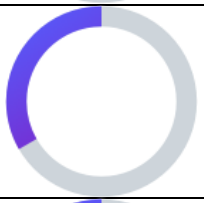
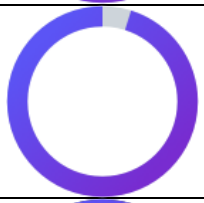
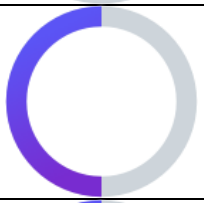
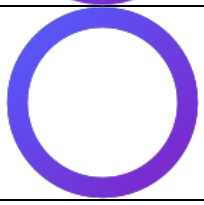
0%, No signal or dashes		50 to 60	
1 to 10		60 to 70	
10 to 20		70 to 80	
20 to 30		80 to 90	
30 to 40		90 to 99	
40 to 50		100%	
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6.6 Hourly Rain Icon

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The Hourly Rainfall Icon shows the accumulated rainfall for the last hour (60 mins). For the purpose of this icon, the console stores the rainfall every 5 minutes and displays the sum of the last 12 measurements (trailing 60-minute summary).

Hourly Rain (in)	Icon	Hourly Rain (in)	Icon
0.0		0.6 to 0.8	
0 to 0.2		0.8 to 1	
0.2 to 0.4		1 to 1.2	
0.4 to 0.6		1.2 to 1.4	

6.7 Other Console Features

6.7.1 Weather Forecasting

The five weather icons are Sunny, Partly Cloudy, Cloudy, Rainy and Stormy.

The forecast icon is based on the rate of change of barometric pressure. Please allow at least one month for the weather station to learn the barometric pressure over time.

Sunny	Partly Cloudy	Cloudy	Rainy	Stormy
				
Pressure increases for a sustained period of time	Pressure increases slightly, or initial power up	Pressure decreases slightly	Pressure decreases for a sustained period of time	Pressure rapidly decreases

Figure 25

6.7.2 Wireless Signal Quality Icon

The wireless signal strength displays reception quality. If no signal is lost, the signal strength indicator will display 5 bars. If the signal is lost once, four bars will be displayed, as shown in Figure . A bar is removed for each consecutive loss of signal.

Five Bars	Four Bars

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No signal loss	Lost signal once

Figure 26

6.7.3 Weather Forecasting Description and Limitations

In general, if the rate of change of pressure increases, the weather is generally improving (sunny to partly cloudy). If the rate of change of pressure decreases, the weather is generally degrading (cloudy, rainy or stormy). If the rate of change is relatively steady, it will read partly cloudy.

The reason the current conditions do not match the forecast icon is because the forecast is a prediction 24-48 hours in advance. In most locations, this prediction is only 70% accurate and it is a good idea to consult the National Weather Service for more accurate weather forecasts. In some locations, this prediction may be less or more accurate. However, it is still an interesting educational tool for learning why the weather changes.

The National Weather Service (and other weather services such as Weather Channel) have many tools at their disposal to predict weather conditions, including weather radar, weather models, and detailed mapping of ground conditions.

6.7.4 Lightning Icon

The lightning icon  appears when then Dew Point exceeds 70 ºF, which signifies temperature and humidity conditions may be possible for lightning storms to form in the area.

6.7.5 PM2.5 Sensor (optional)

An optional PM2.5 sensor is available for the WS-5000. The display shows the current PM2.5 measurement, and the 24-hour running average, which is a better indication of the accumulative effect of particulates on overall health.

The display features a color-coded icon with the following breakpoints:

AQI Category	Color	Breakpoints (µg/m³)
Good	Green	0.0 – 12.0
Moderate	Yellow	12.1 – 35.4
Unhealthy for Sensitive Groups	Orange	35.5 – 55.4
Unhealthy	Red	55.5 – 150.4
Very Unhealthy	Purple	150.5 – 250.4
Hazardous	Maroon	250.5 – 500

Figure 27

6.8 History Mode

6.8.1 Min/Max

View high and low records, and clear specific records in the history mode.

	View and reset minimum and maximums.

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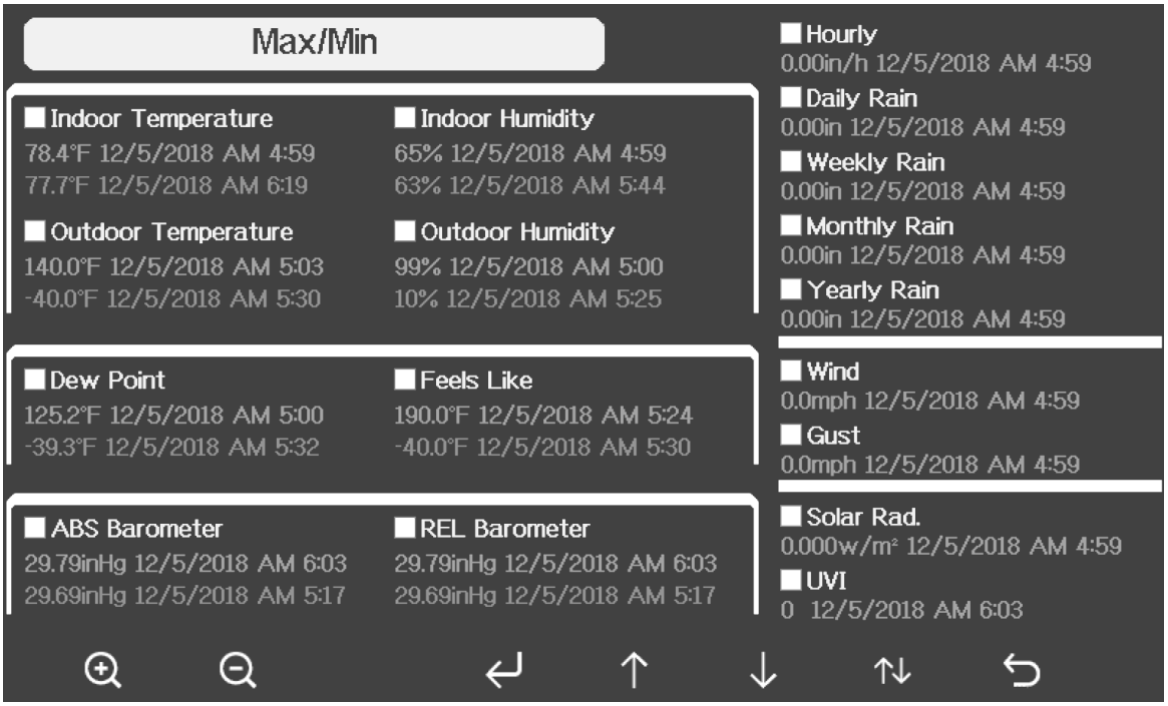


Figure 28

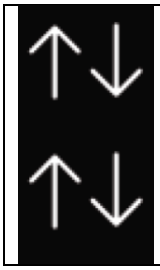
Press the up  or down  button to scroll to the parameter you wish to clear. Press the  button to check the parameter you wish to clear. Once checked, press the Enter Key . To confirm the selection, press  and . The high and low will be reset for the checked parameters.

Press the Return Key  to return to the main screen.

Refer to Factory 6.12 to clear all of the highs and lows at Midnight, or manually clearing all of the highs and lows at once.

6.8.2 Archive Memory Mode

You can view and clear archived memory from the Archive Memory Mode.

	View archive memory for all parameters, based on the date and time.

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No	Time	Indoor Temperature (°F)	Indoor Humidity (%)	Outdoor Temperature (°F)	Outdoor Humidity (%)	Dew Point (°F)	Feels Like (°F)	Wind (mph)
2689	12/5/2018 AM 6:40	77.7	65	68.9	47	47.8	68.9	2.5
2690	12/5/2018 AM 6:45	77.7	65	68.9	47	47.8	68.9	2.5
2691	12/5/2018 AM 6:50	77.7	65	68.9	47	47.8	68.9	2.2
2692	12/5/2018 AM 2:40	77.9	65	68.9	47	47.8	68.9	2.5
2693	12/5/2018 AM 2:45	77.9	65	68.9	47	47.8	68.9	2.2
2694	12/5/2018 AM 2:50	77.9	65	68.9	47	47.8	68.9	2.2
2695	12/5/2018 AM 2:55	77.9	65	68.9	46	47.3	68.9	2.2
2696	12/5/2018 AM 3:00	77.9	65	68.9	46	47.3	68.9	2.2
2697	12/5/2018 AM 3:05	77.9	65	68.9	46	47.3	68.9	2.2
2698	12/5/2018 AM 3:10	77.9	65	68.9	46	47.3	68.9	2.2
2699	12/5/2018 AM 3:15	77.9	65	68.9	46	47.3	68.9	2.7
2700	12/5/2018 AM 3:20	77.9	64	68.9	46	47.3	68.9	2.5
2701	12/5/2018 AM 3:25	77.9	65	68.9	46	47.3	68.9	2.2
2702	12/5/2018 AM 3:30	78.1	65	68.9	46	47.3	68.9	2.2
2703	12/5/2018 AM 3:35	78.6	65	68.9	46	47.3	68.9	2.2
2704	12/5/2018 AM 3:40	78.6	65	68.9	46	47.3	68.9	2.2



Figure 29

							
Clear All History	Recall page	scroll left	scroll right	scroll up	scroll down	Switch to graph screen	return home

To clear all of the records, press the Clear All History button  and you will be prompted to clear the data.

Press the down arrow once to confirm . The Yes button will be highlighted in Green. Press the Plus  button to clear all archived records.

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Figure 30

To scroll to a specific page, press the Recall Page button .

Press the left or right  button to select a digit in the page number, press Plus  or Minus  button to change the number up or down. Press  or  to change the activated option field, toggle OK or Cancel then press  key to confirm.

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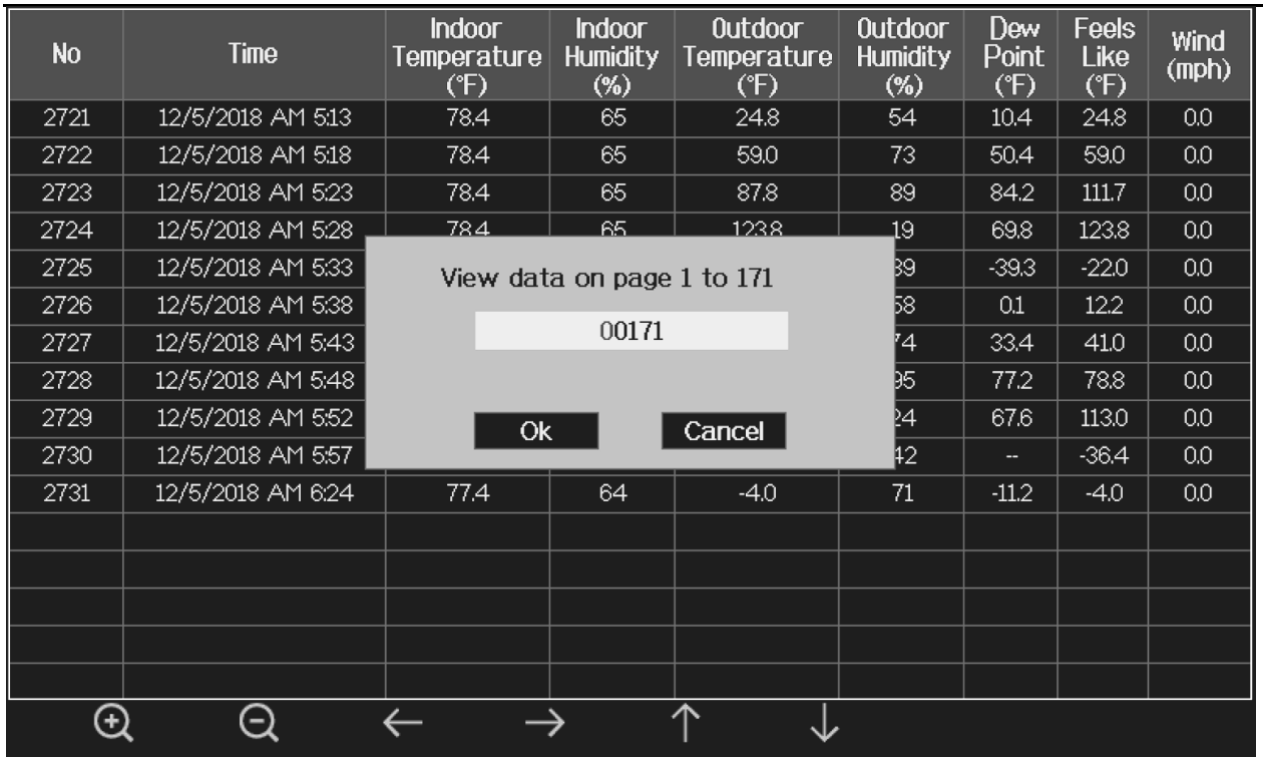
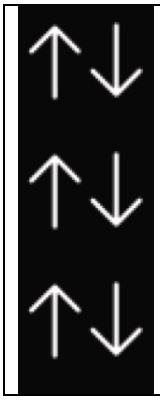


Figure 31

6.8.3 Graph

	Graph memory for all parameters, based on the date and time.

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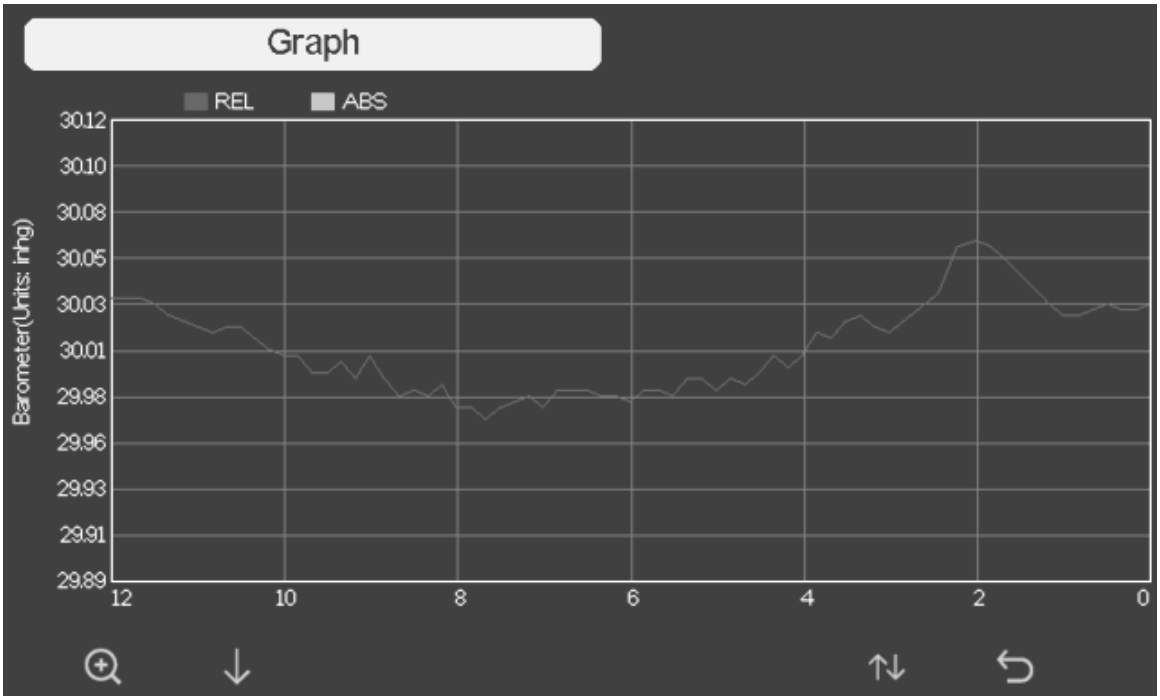
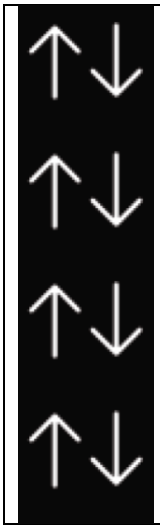


Figure 32

			
Change x-axis time between 12, 24, 48 and 72 hours.	Change graph parameters	Switch to Min/Max display	return home

6.8.4 Sensors Name and Data

	View live current data and change sensor ID names

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Select field		Scroll field up	Scroll field down	return to Setup

6.9 Set Mode

The Set Mode allows you to customize your display, manage archive data, and connect your display tablet to the Internet.

Enter the Setup Mode

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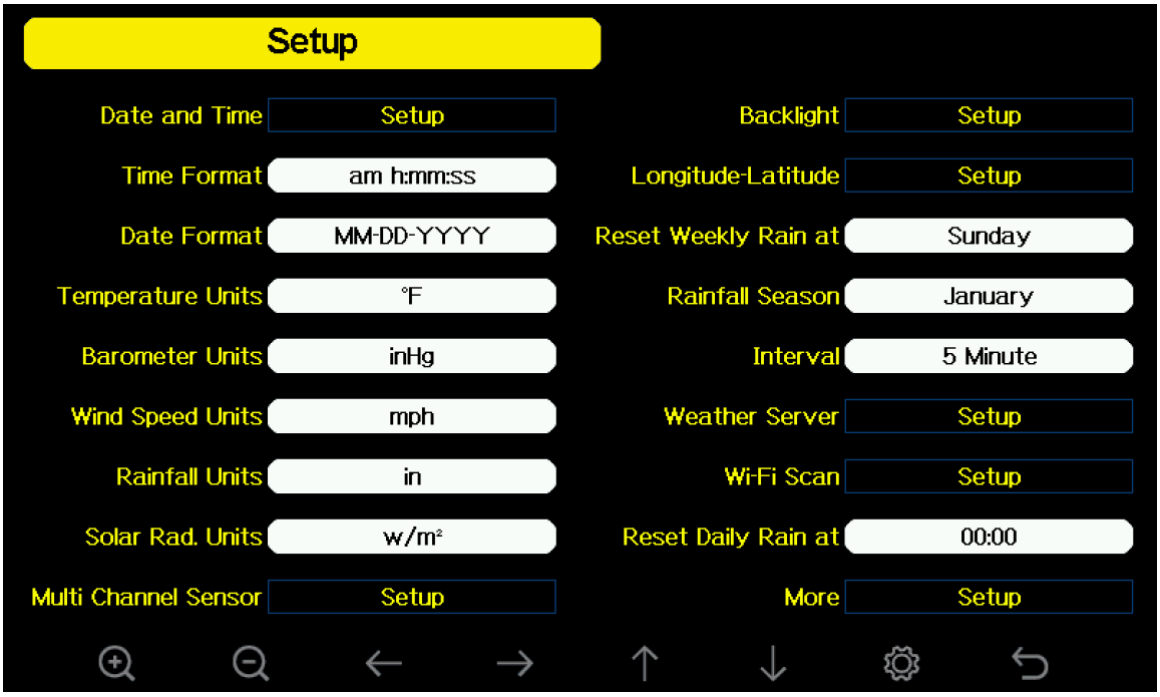

Figure 33

Select units of measure or scroll value up	Select units of measure or scroll value down	Select value	Select value	Scroll field up	Scroll field down	Select next Set Page	return to home

6.9.1 Set Date and Time

Set the date and time. Set automatic time synchronization.

1. **Set Time.** (hour:minute:second) Press ↓ to set the time. The hour field will turn red. Press → or ← to select hour, minute or second. Press ⊕ or ⊖ to increase or decrease the value.
2. **Set Date.** (month:day:year) Press ↓ to set the date. The month field will turn red. Press → or ← to select month, day or year. Press ⊕ or ⊖ to increase or decrease the value.
3. **Set Time Zone.** Press ↓ to set the time zone. Press ⊕ to increase the time zone and ⊖ to decrease the time zone. With time zone highlighted, press ↓ to set Daylight Savings Time (DST). Press

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to toggle ON or OFF. Note: the DST should be always checked to automatically update the time when DST changes.

4. **Set Time Server**. The default time server is time.nist.gov. Press to set the time server. Press again to turn ON. Press to toggle ON or OFF. Press to immediately to highlight Update and to immediately update.

Note: The time server will not work until the Wi-Fi connection has been set up.

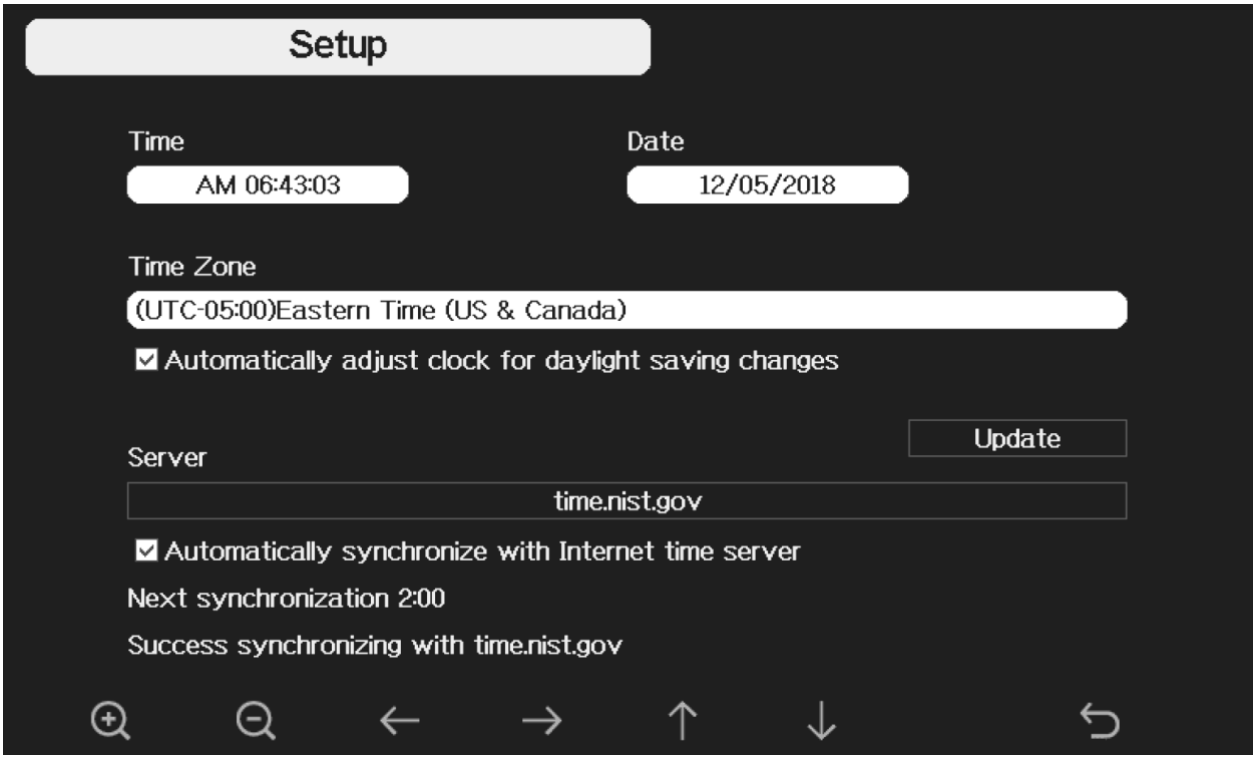

Figure 34

scroll value up	scroll value down	Select value	Select value	Scroll field up	Scroll field down	return to Setup

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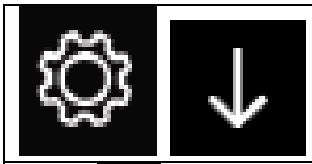
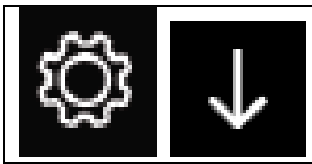
6.9.2 Set Time Format

 x 2

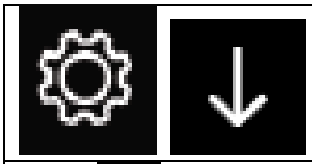
Press  to change the time format between hour:minute:second (h:mm:ss), AM hour:minute:second (AM h:mm:ss) and hour:minute:second AM (h:mm:ss AM).

6.9.3 Set Date Format

 x 3

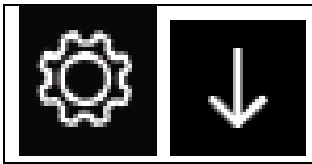
Press  to change the date format between MM-DD-YYY, DD-MM-YYYY and YYYY-MM-DD.

6.9.4 Temperature Units of Measure

 x 4

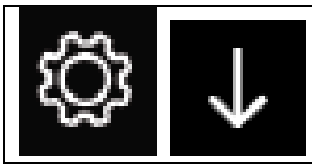
Press  to change the temperature units of measure between °F and °C.

6.9.5 Barometer Units of Measure

 x 5

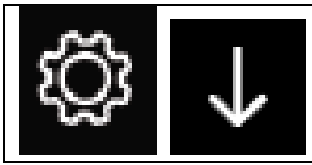
Press  to change the temperature units of measure between inHg, mmHg and hpa.

6.9.6 Wind Speed Units of Measure

 x 6

Press  to change the wind speed units of measure between mph, bft (beufort scale), ft/s, m/s, km/h and knot.

6.9.7 Rainfall Units of Measure

 x 7

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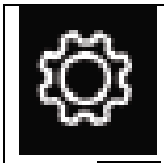
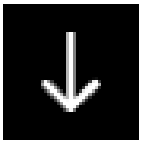
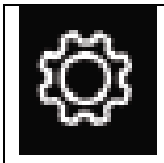
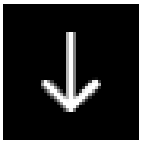
Press  to change the rainfall units of measure between in and mm.

6.9.8 Solar Radiation Units of Measure

  x 8

Press  to change the solar radiation units of measure between W/m^2, lux and fc.

6.9.9 Backlight Display

  x 9

Press the Plus  key to automatically turn on and off the backlight or adjust the brightness based on the time of day.

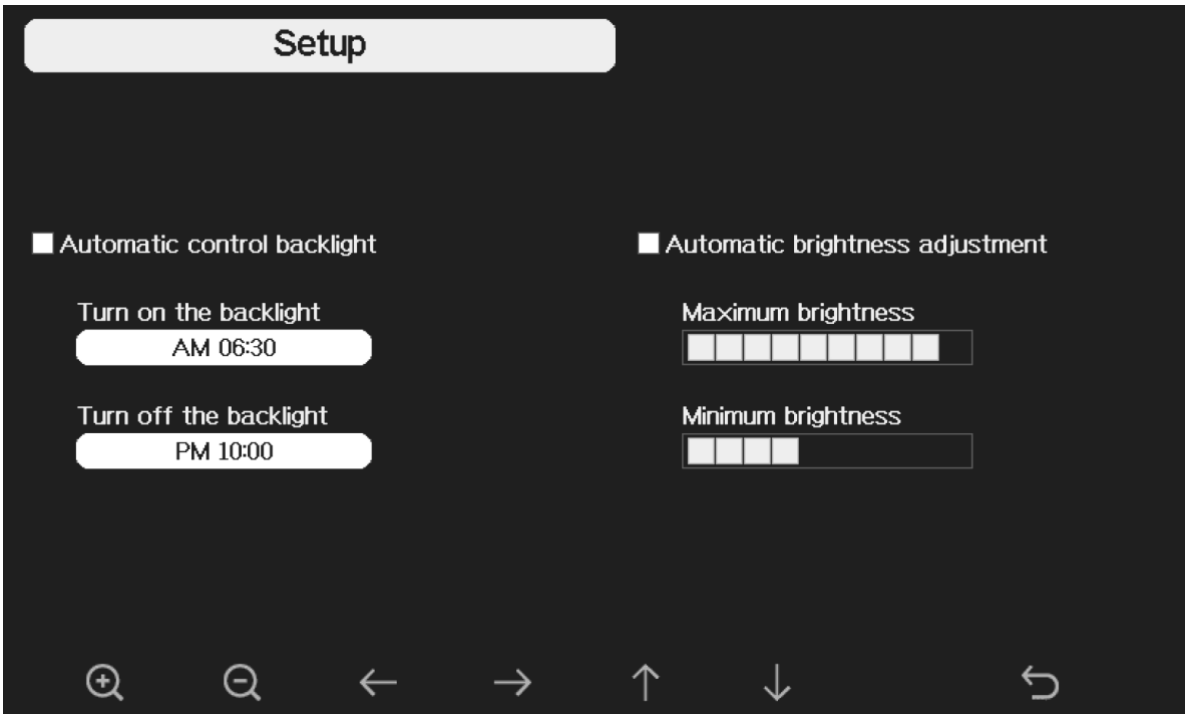


Figure 37

						
adjust up or check	adjust down or uncheck	scroll left	scroll right	scroll up	scroll down	return home

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6.9.10 Longitude and Latitude

x 10

Press the Plus key to Set longitude and latitude for your location. This calculation is used for the sunrise and sunset calculation.

1. **Latitude.** Press to set the Northern or Southern Hemisphere. In the USA, the hemisphere setting is **NORTH**. To change to **SOUTH**, press the key.

   Press to change your latitude. The longitude x 10 will turn red. Press or to increase or decrease the value. Press or to change the remaining latitude variables.

2. **Longitude**. Press to set the Western or Eastern Hemisphere. In the USA, the hemisphere setting is **WEST**. To change to **EAST**, press the key.

   Press to change your longitude. The longitude x 100 will turn red. Press or to increase or decrease the value. Press or to change the remaining longitude variables.

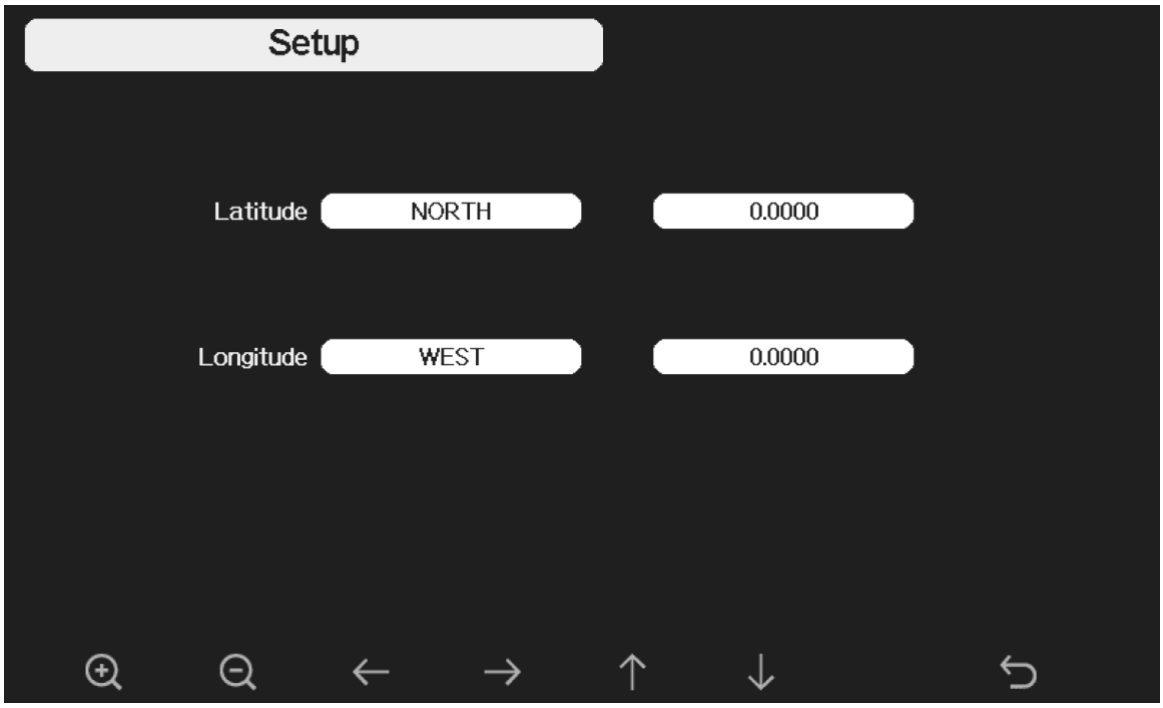

Figure 38

To determine your longitude and latitude, we recommend the following website:

www.bing.com/maps

Reference Figure below:

1. Enter your address and select the search button

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2. The latitude (first number) and longitude (second number) are returned. In this example:

   Latitude = 33.2981181889772
   Longitude = -111.960209459066

   Below we will define how the longitude and latitude are shown based on your location

   If you are in the Northern Hemisphere your Latitude will be positive.
   If you are in the Southern Hemisphere your Latitude will be negative.
   If you are in the Eastern Hemisphere your longitude will be positive.
   If you are in the Western Hemisphere your longitude will be negative.

In this example, the Longitude and Latitude will be entered into the display as follows:

Latitude = NORTH ----- 33.2981
Longitude = WEST ----- 111.9602
after rounding to four significant digits.

3. Record your longitude and latitude below for future reference:
4. In this example, the location entered the display is as follows:

   Latitude = 33.30 North
   Longitude = 111.96 West
   after rounding to two significant digits.

   Record your longitude and latitude here for future reference:

Longitude:
Latitude:

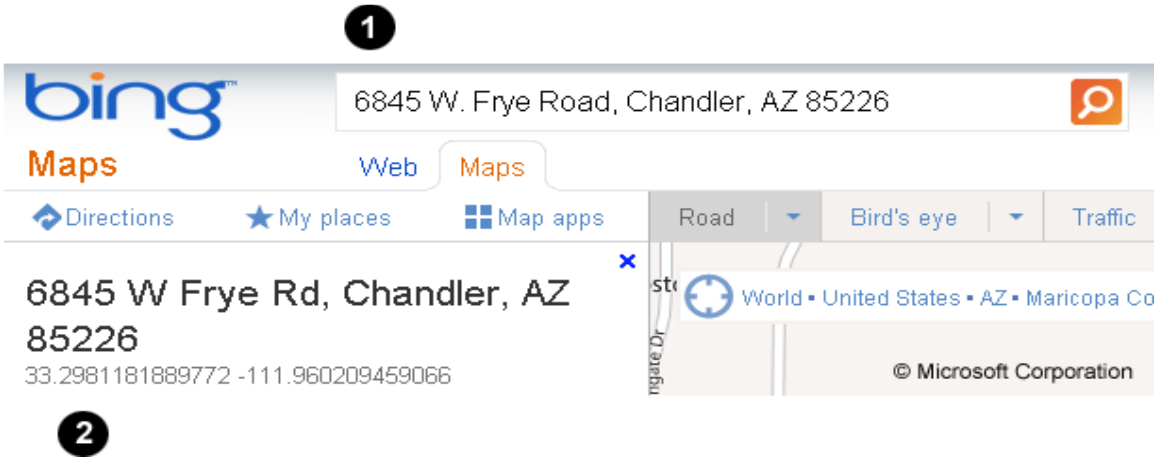
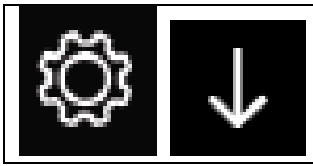


Figure 39

6.9.11 Reset Weekly Rain at


x 11

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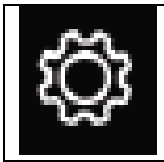
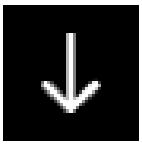
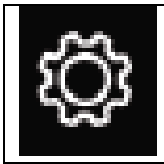
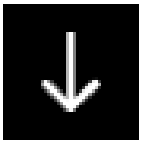
Press  to change the day the display resets weekly rain total to Sunday or Monday.

6.9.12 Rainfall Season

  x 12

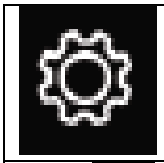
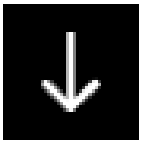
Press  to change the beginning of the rainfall yearly season month. The default is January.

6.9.13 Archive Interval

  x 13

Press  to change the archive interval for historical data and graphing. Press  to change the 100 x minute field. Press  to highlight the 10 x minute field. Press  to change the 10 x minute field. Press  to highlight the minute field. Press  to change the minute field.

6.9.14 Weather Server

  x 14

Press  to send real-time data to AmbientWeather.net.

Enter your email address and we will walk you through creating an account for this device on AmbientWeather.net via email.

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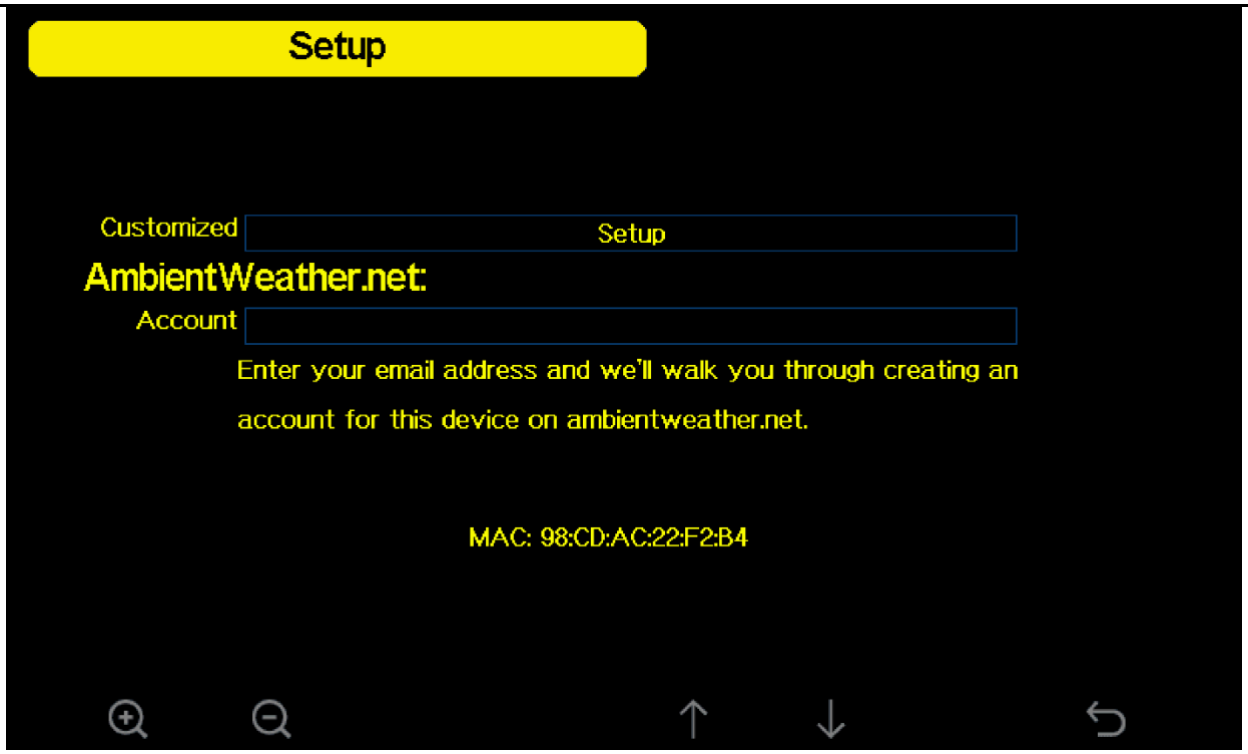
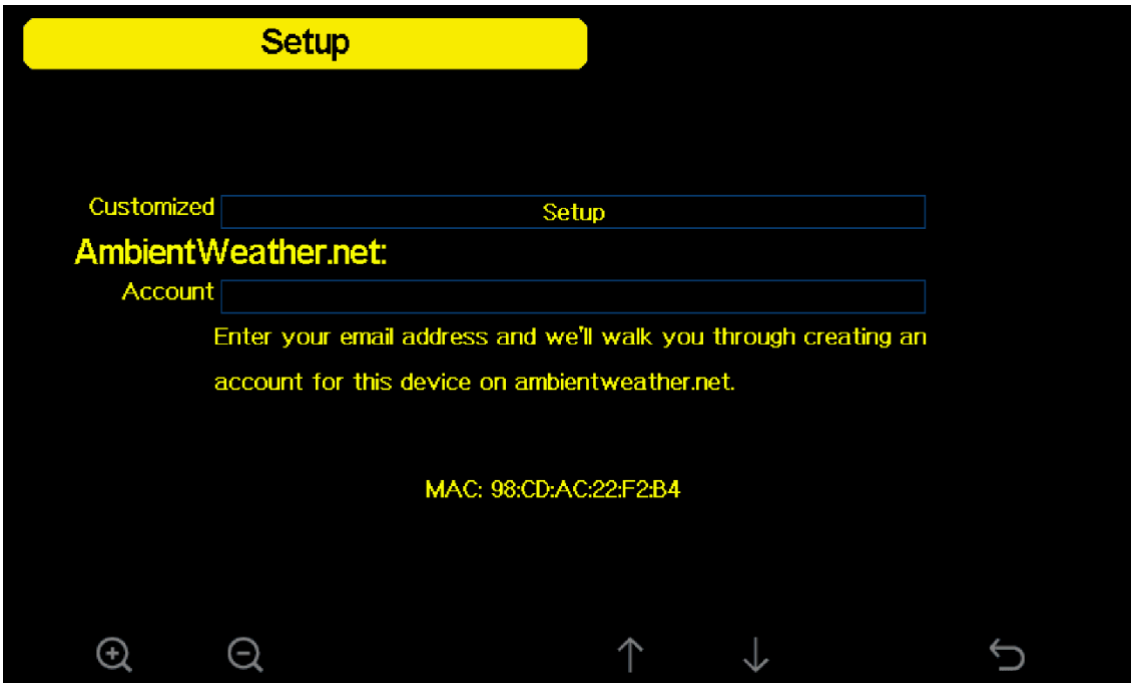


Figure 39

scroll value up	scroll value down	Scroll field up	Scroll field down	return to Setup

6.9.14.1 Registering on AmbientWeather.net

Registration for AmbientWeather.net is accomplished through console



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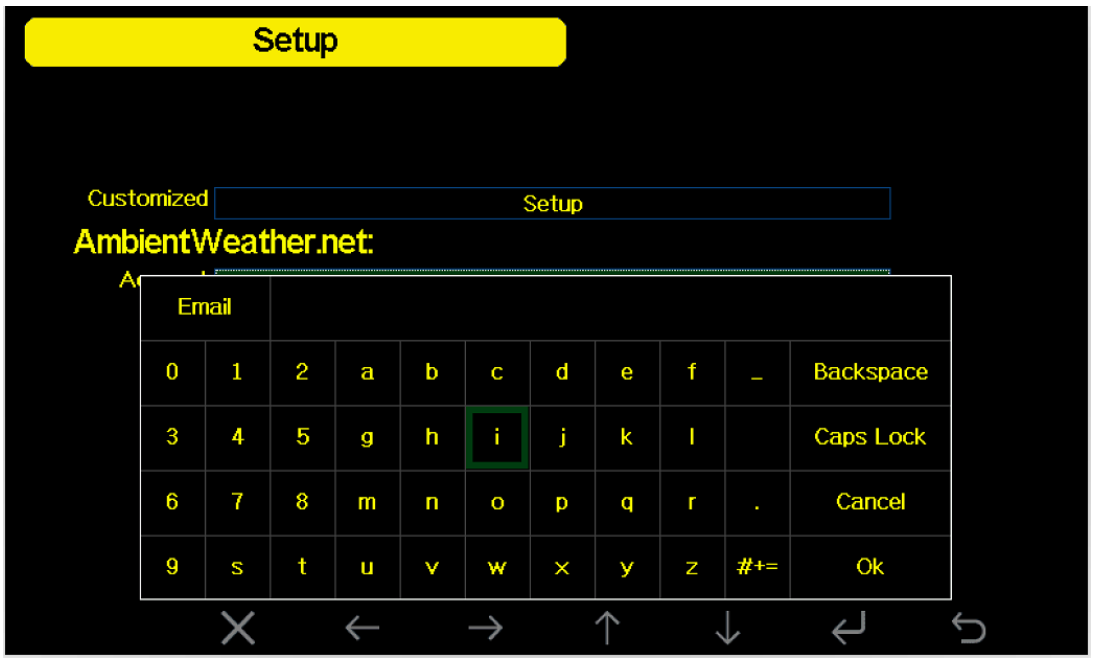
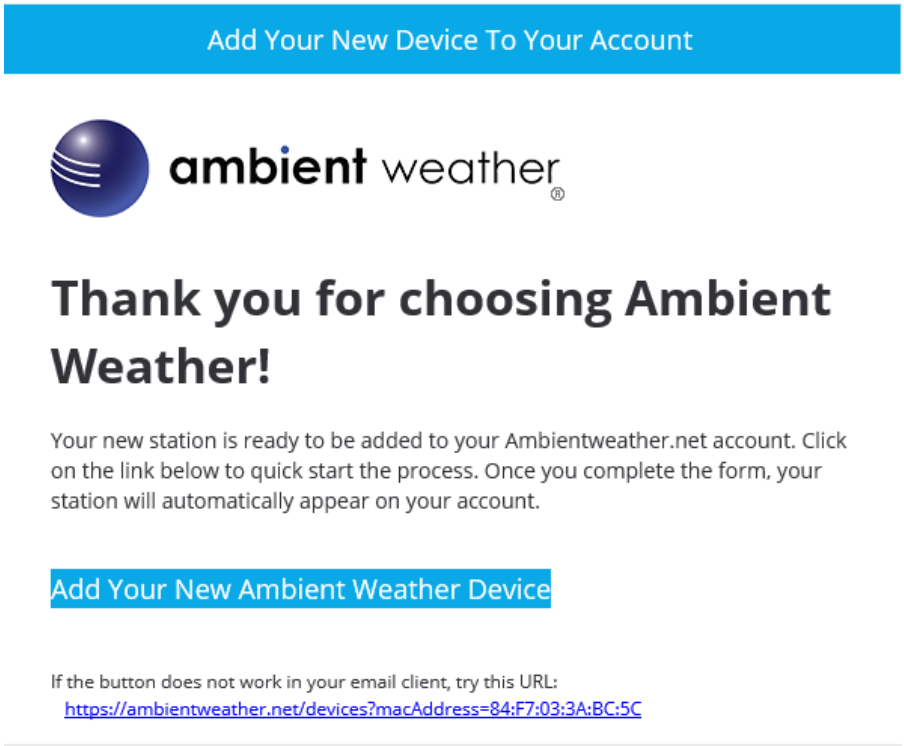
On the weather server screen, you can enter you email address which is connected to your account on AmbientWeather.net.



Note that this is an example only and your MAC address will be different.

You will receive and email like the example below to complete the process.



Once registered, select the dashboard to view your data.

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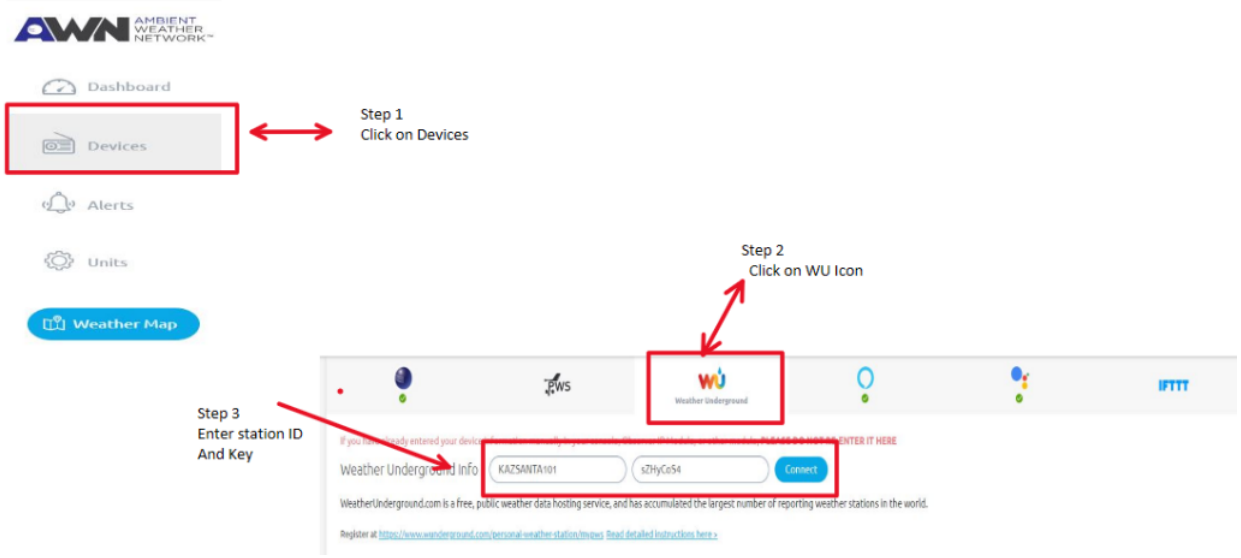
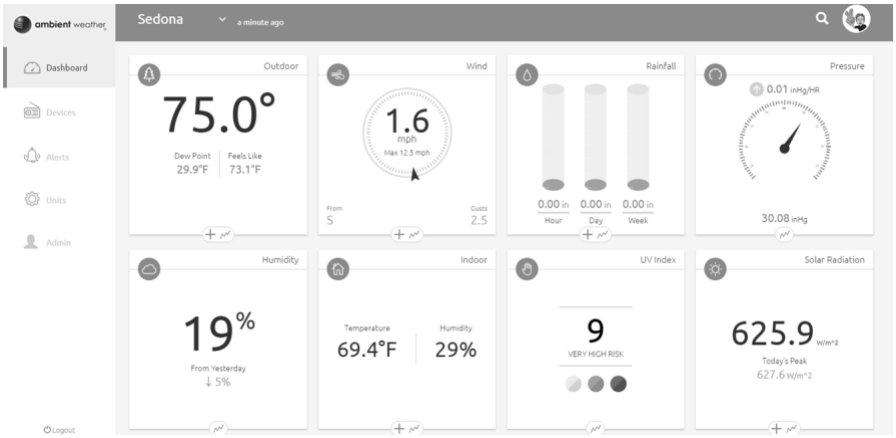
Note: Data is no longer accepted directly from console to Weather Underground. This connection is now accomplished using the Ambient Weather Network. Please see this instructional image to share data from AWN on Weather Underground.





For custom server uploads Press ↓ to highlight the **Setup** Press 🔍 to access.

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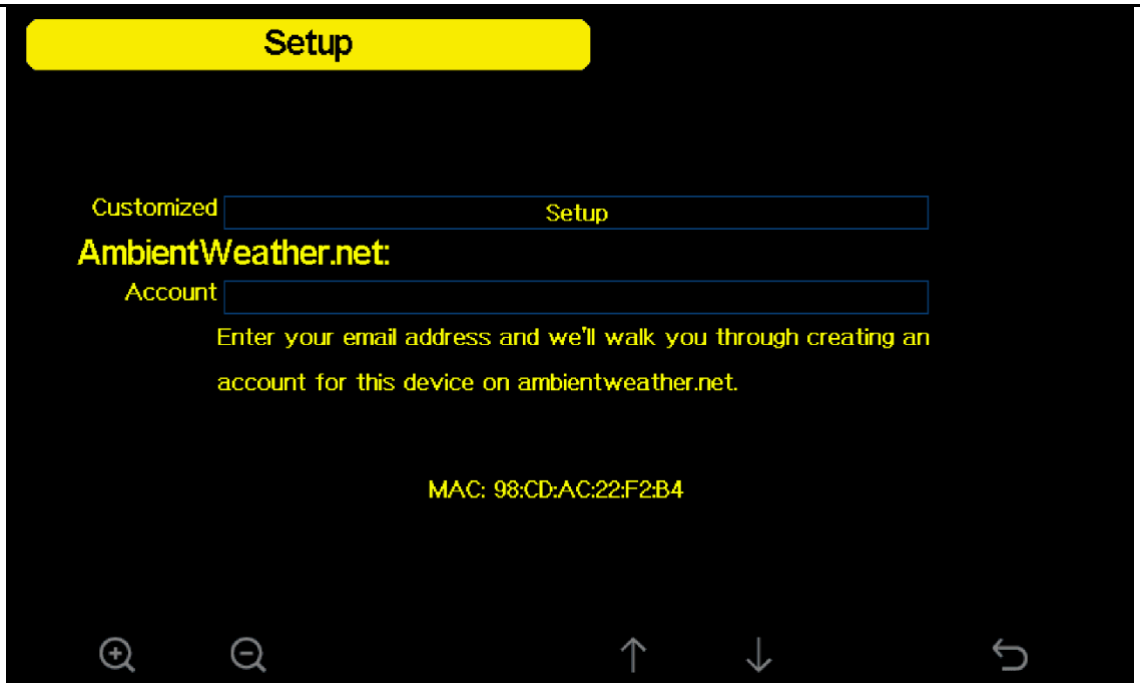

Figure 19

Select Keyboard		Scroll field up	Scroll field down	return to Setup

1. **Set Setup.** Press ↓ to highlight the customized panel. Enter **Setup** to customize your own server. You can choose the Wunderground.com or AmbientWeather.net protocol, which is defined on the Weather Underground website (search Weather Underground upload protocol) and the AmbientWeather.net help guide:

   https://ambientweather.com/faqs/question/view/id/1857/

Press ⊕ to display the keyboard. Press ↑ ↓ ← → to scroll to the character and press ↵ to select the character. Select **Ok** when complete. Press ↩ to return to the Server Setup page.

Figure to Figure outline the personal web server set up using the Weather Underground protocol.

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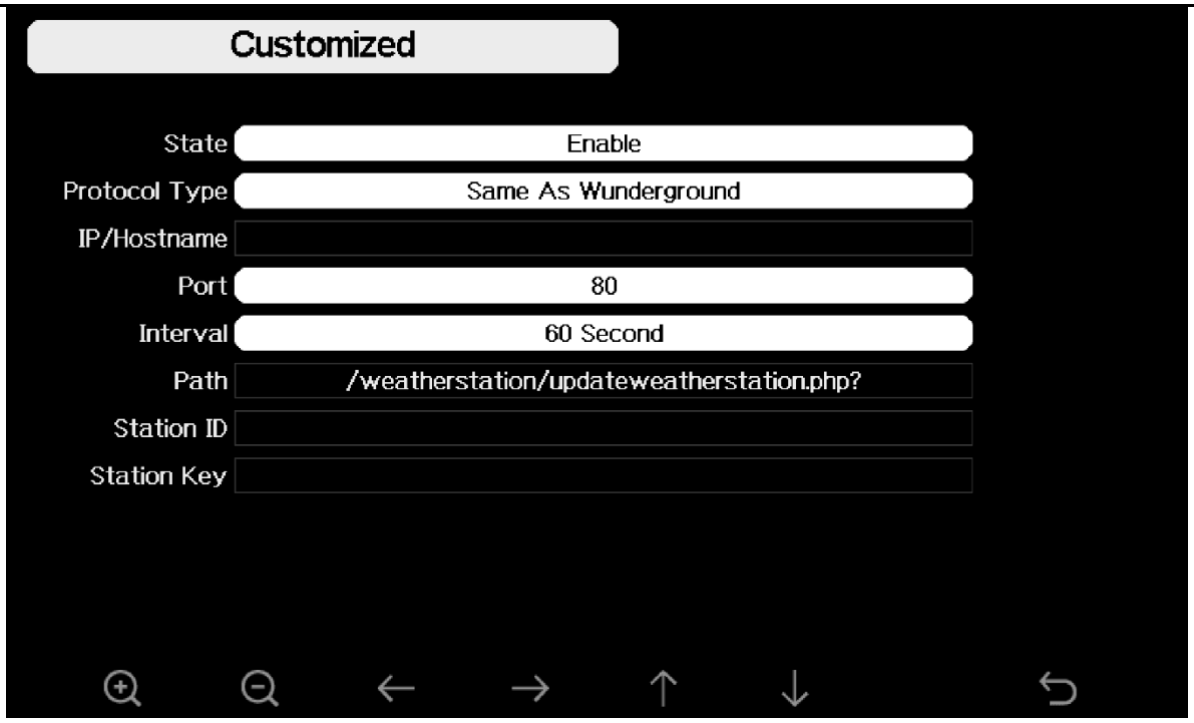

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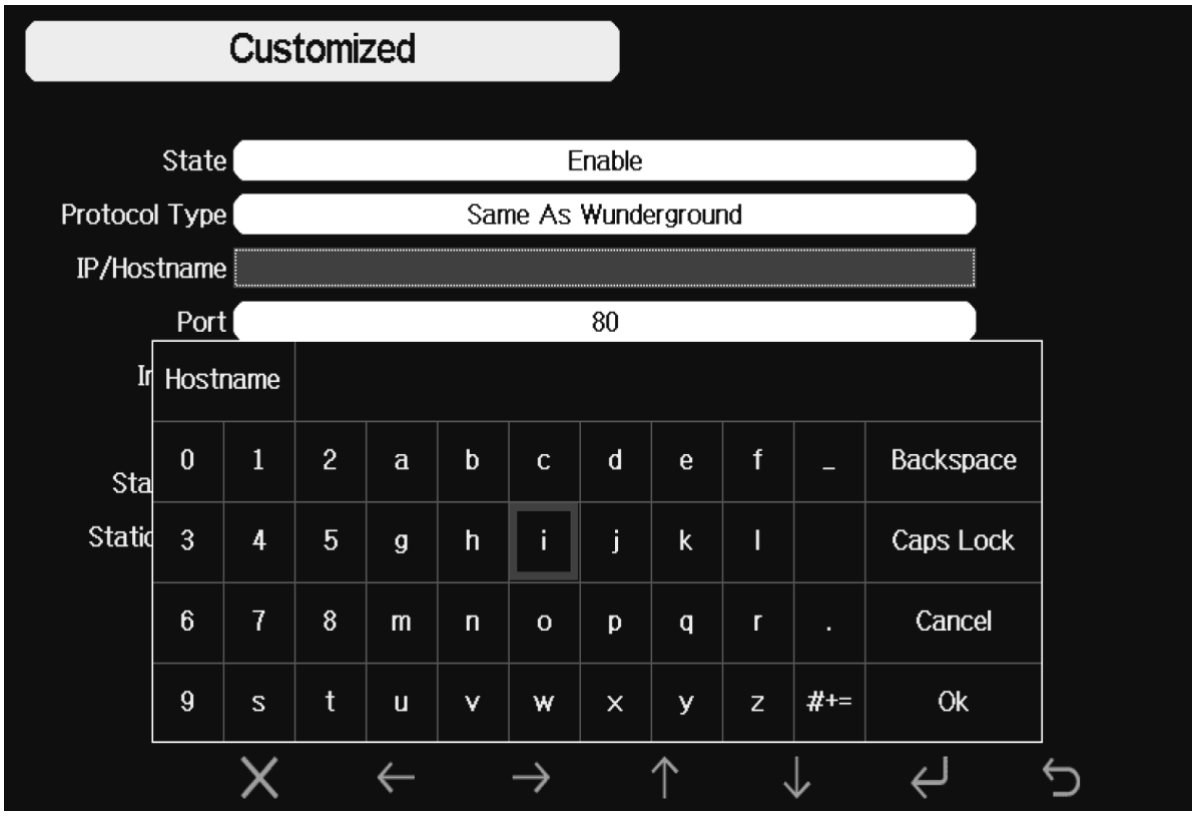

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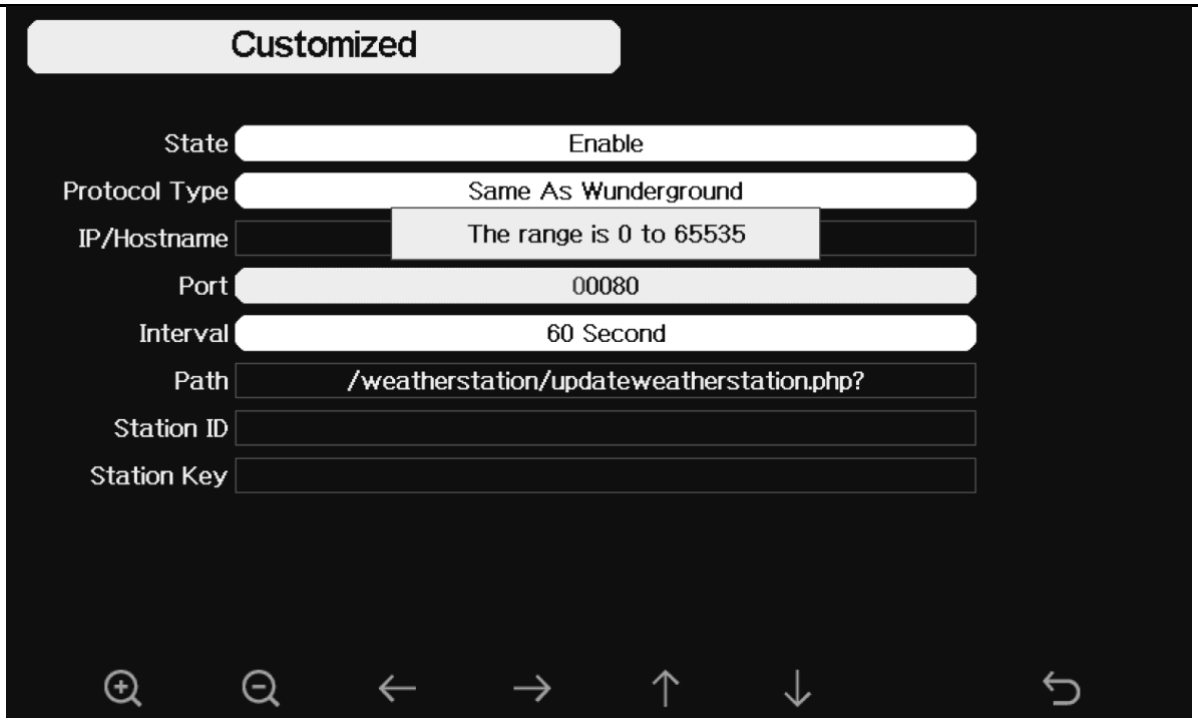

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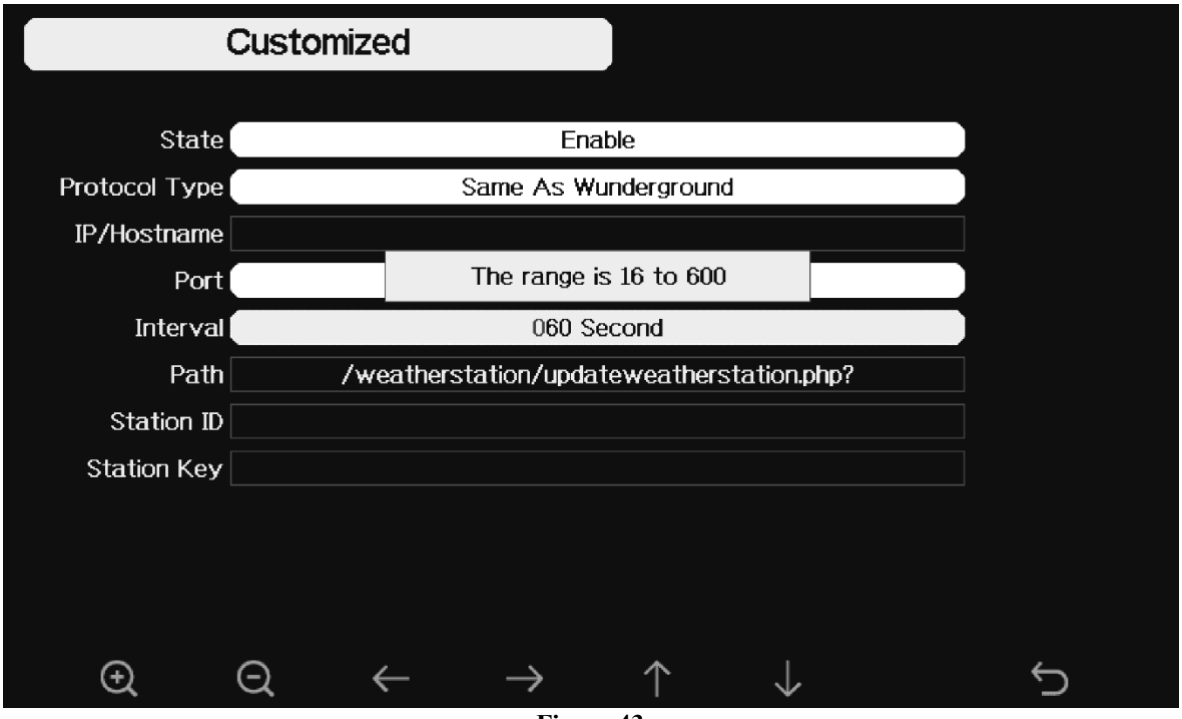

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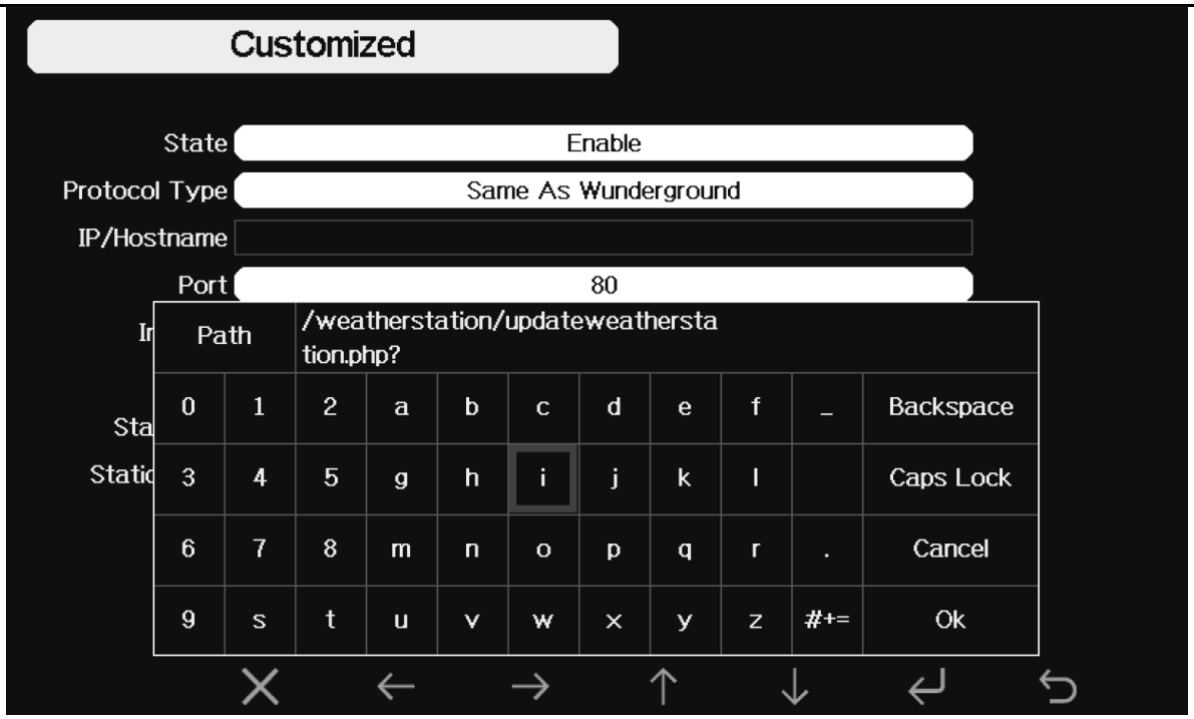

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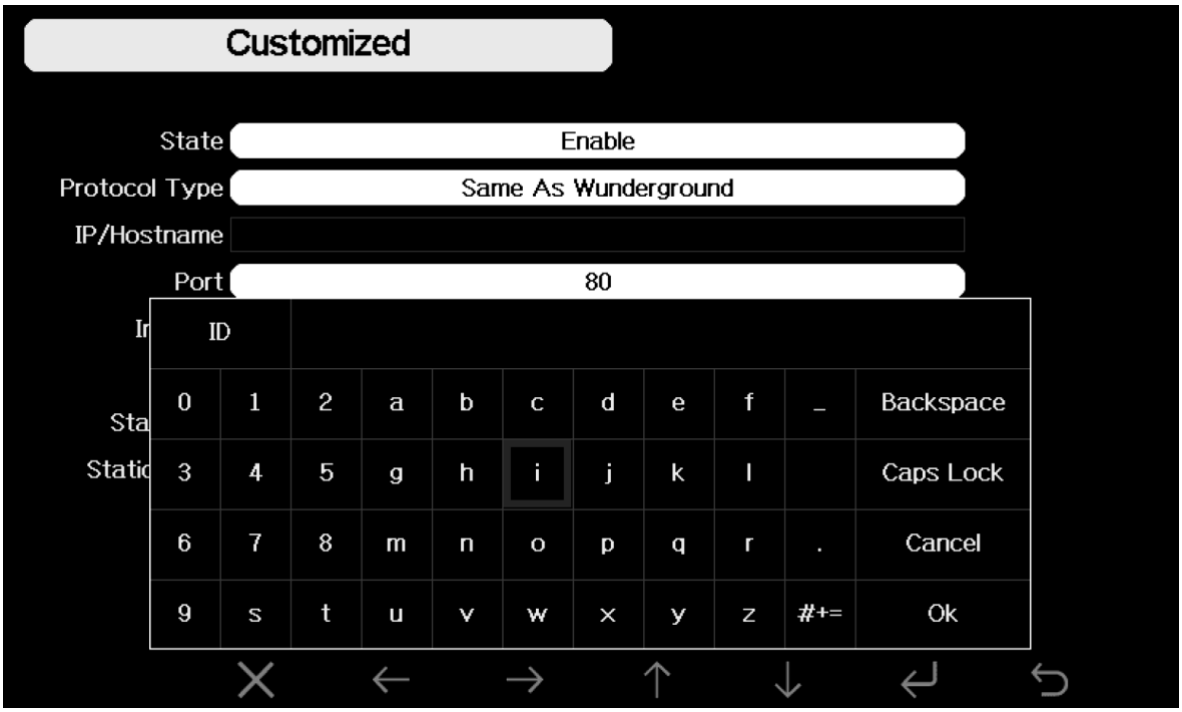

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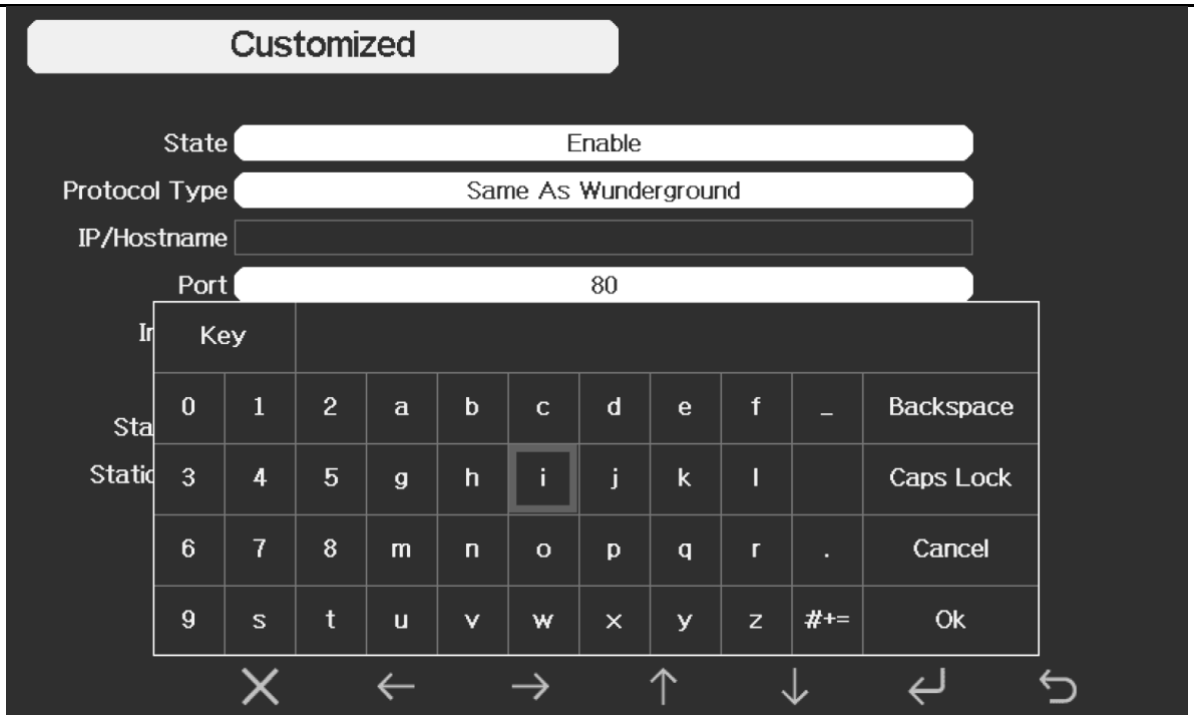

Figure 46

Figure 45 to **Error! Reference source not found.** outline the personal web server set up using the AmbientWeather.net p rotocol.



Figure 47

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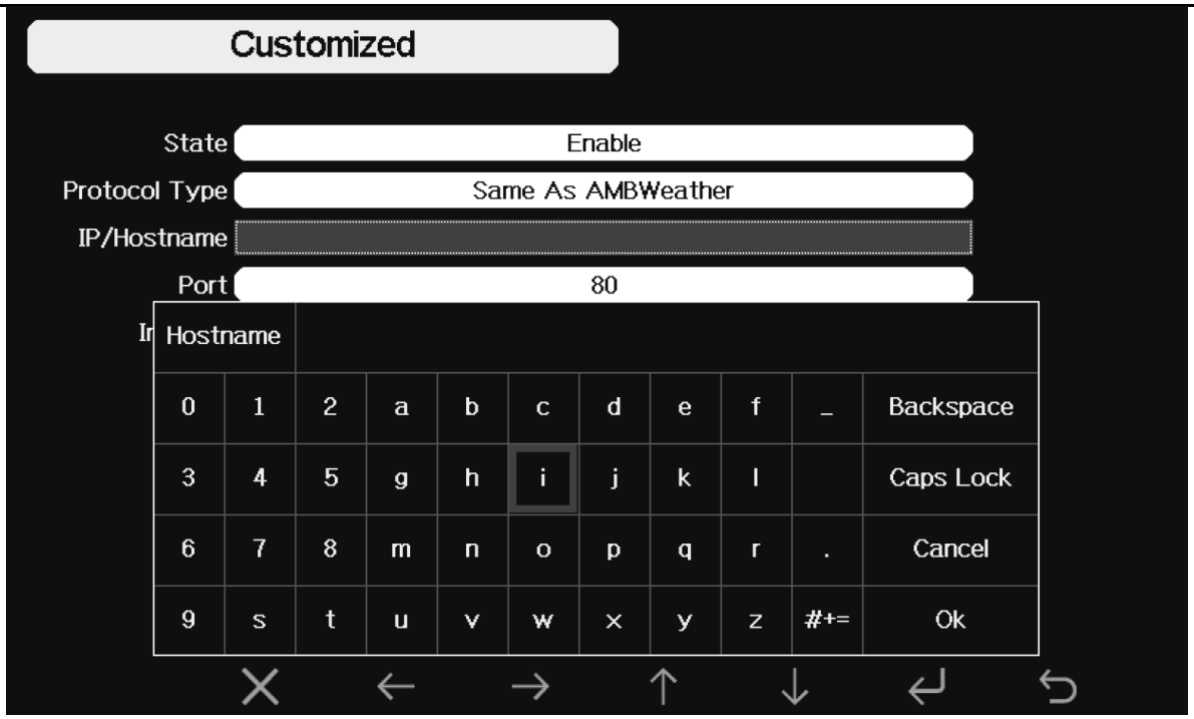

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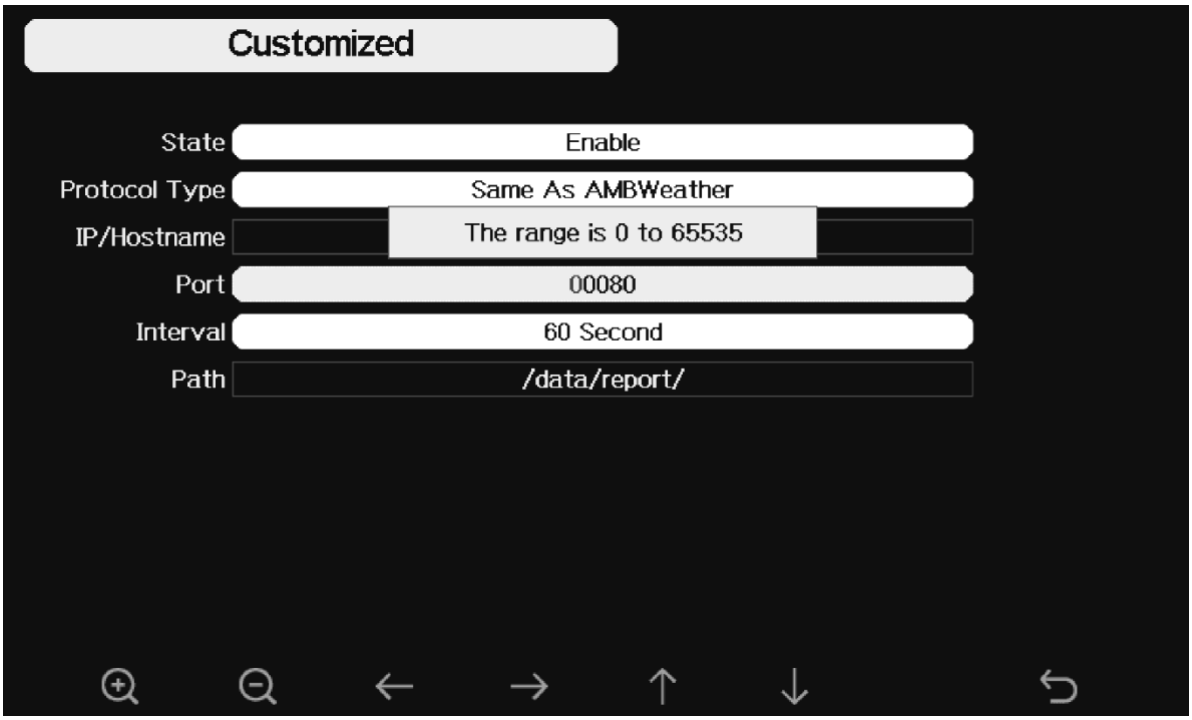

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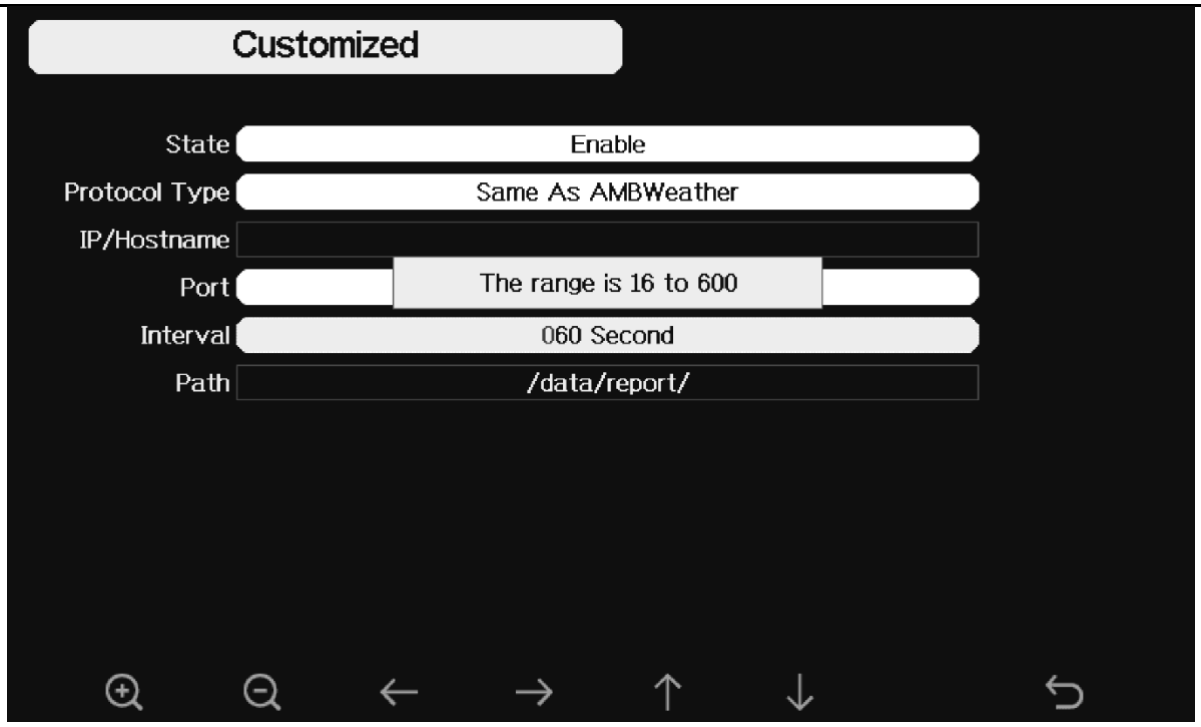

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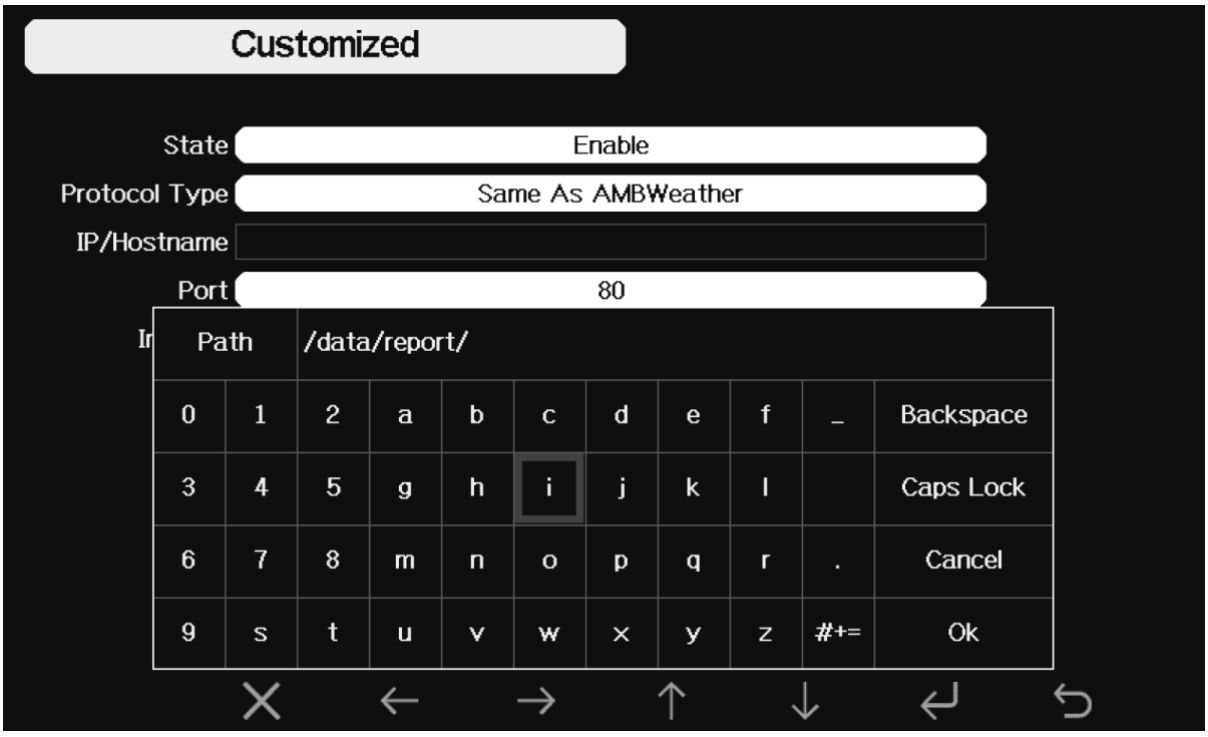

6.9.14.2 IFTTT

The AmbientWeather.net service connects to IFTTT, the platform that allows devices and services to work together seamlessly.

Here are a few things you can do with IFTTT:

- Turn off your Rachio sprinklers when it rains, there is too much wind, or below freezing.
- Close your Hunter blinds when the sun is too intense.
- Close your garage door when it is too windy.
- Blink your hue lights when it starts raining.

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- Connect to other web services, such as Gmail, Facebook, Instagram, or Pinterest.

For more information on IFTTT and how it can work for you, visit:

https://ambientweather.com/faqs/question/view/id/1796/

6.9.14.3 Compatible with Alexa

The Ambient Weather skill provides Ambient Weather personal weather station owners with the ability to get real-time, and past weather information generated by the devices they have set up at AmbientWeather.net.

Enable the skill and get started: say "Alexa, ask Ambient Weather for a weather report.". This will provide you with your outdoor weather report, but you can ask for your indoor weather report as well by saying, "Alexa, ask Ambient Weather about the indoor conditions." You can also ask for a report about a specific day, month or year! Just say "Alexa, ask Ambient Weather about the weather yesterday." or "Alexa, ask Ambient Weather about the weather in May".

For more information and to enable this skill, visit:

https://www.amazon.com/dp/B074PGCM1D/

6.9.14.4 Works with Google Assistant

The Ambient Weather Google Assistant app provides Ambient Weather personal weather station owners with the ability to get real-time, and past weather information generated by the devices they have set up at AmbientWeather.net

Link your account to get started: say 'hey google, Ambient Weather... weather report.' This will provide you with your outdoor weather report. You can ask for your indoor weather report as well by saying, ' indoor conditions'.

You can also link the Ambient Weather app by downloading the Google Assistant.

Here are some sample commands:

- Weather Report
- Outdoor conditions
- Indoor conditions
- Yesterday's weather
- Conditions for October 15, 2023
- Conditions for September 2021
- Conditions for 2010

For more information and to enable this app, visit:

https://assistant.google.com/services/a/id/668e6f3369f27209/

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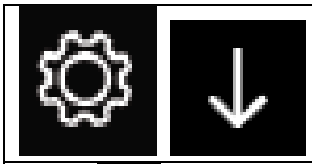
6.9.15 Wi-Fi Scan

 x 15

Press  to perform a Wi-Fi Scan. Your wireless router will appear.

Press  to select your wireless network. Press  to enter the password. Press   to scroll to the character and press  to select the character. Press **OK** when complete. Press  to return to the Wi-Fi Network setup page. Leave the password blank of the Wi-Fi network is not encrypted.

Note: The Wi-Fi signal strength icon is displayed on the home page.

If you do not see your wireless network, press the Return button  and perform another Wi-Fi scan. If the problem persists, power down and up your display tablet and perform another Wi-Fil scan.

If you are uploading to AmbientWeather.net successfully, the icon  will show on the left top of the display tablet.

You may also opt to turn Wi-Fi off entirely. To do this, press the  button to toggle Wi-Fi on and off. If you had previously connected, turning it back on will connect it to that network.



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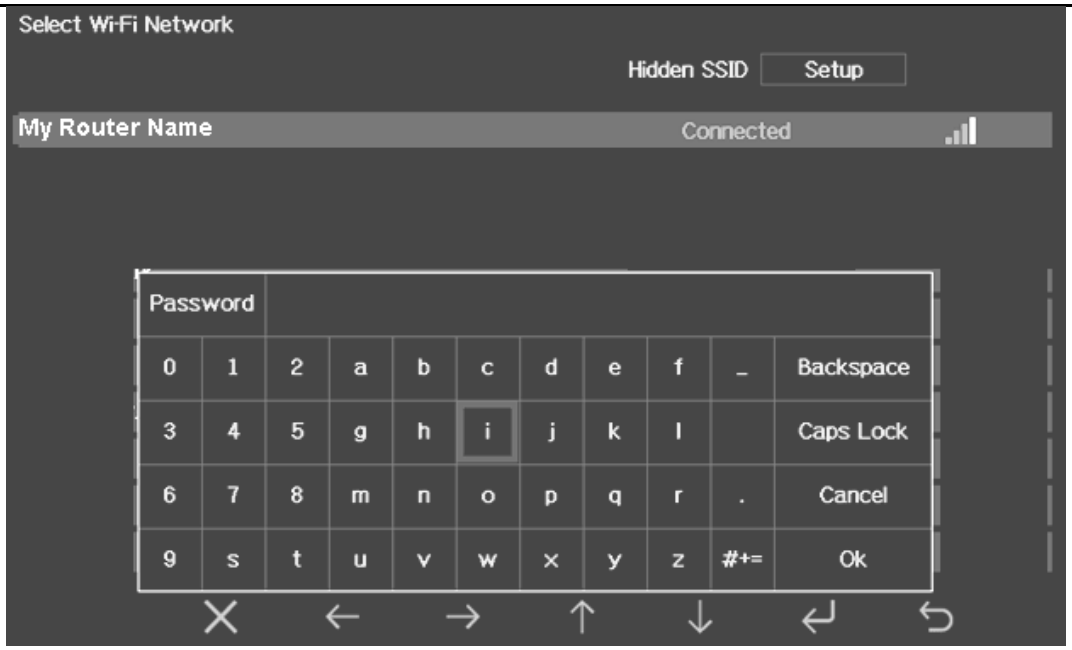

Figure 46

Select value	Select value	Scroll field up	Scroll field down	Select	return to Setup

6.9.15.1 Hidden SSID

If the Wi-Fi network you are connecting to is hidden, please follow below steps to connect:

1) Press ↑ ↓ to select Hidden SSID setup and press ↓ key to enter.
2) Press ↓ to highlight the **SSID**. Press ↵ to display the keyboard and enter your SSID (not that this is case sensitive). Press ↑ ↓ ← → to scroll to the character and press ↵ to enter the character. Press ↩ to return to the setup page.
3) Press ↓ to highlight the Password. Press ↵ to display the keyboard and start to enter your password. Press ↑ ↓ ← → to scroll to the character and press ↵ to enter the character. Press ↩ to return to the setup page.
4) Press ↓ to highlight the **OK** button to connect.

After connecting successfully, the status will display **Connected**.

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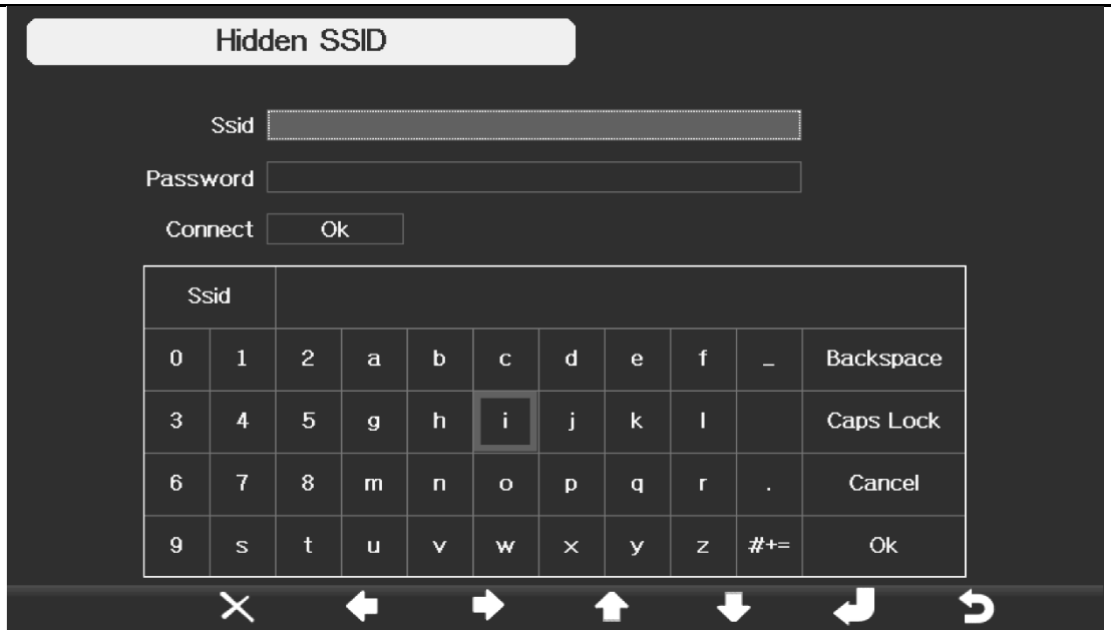

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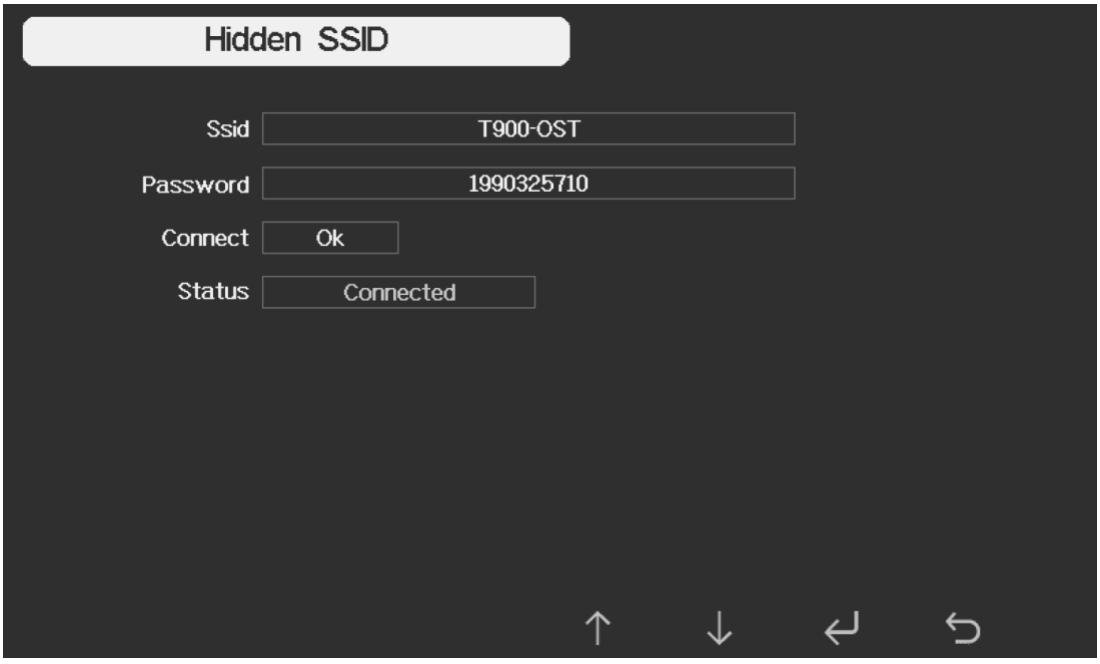
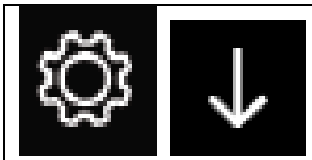


Figure 48

6.9.16 Reset Daily Rain at

 x 17

Press Plus  to set the what time the daily rain resets available times 00:00-23:00

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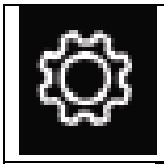
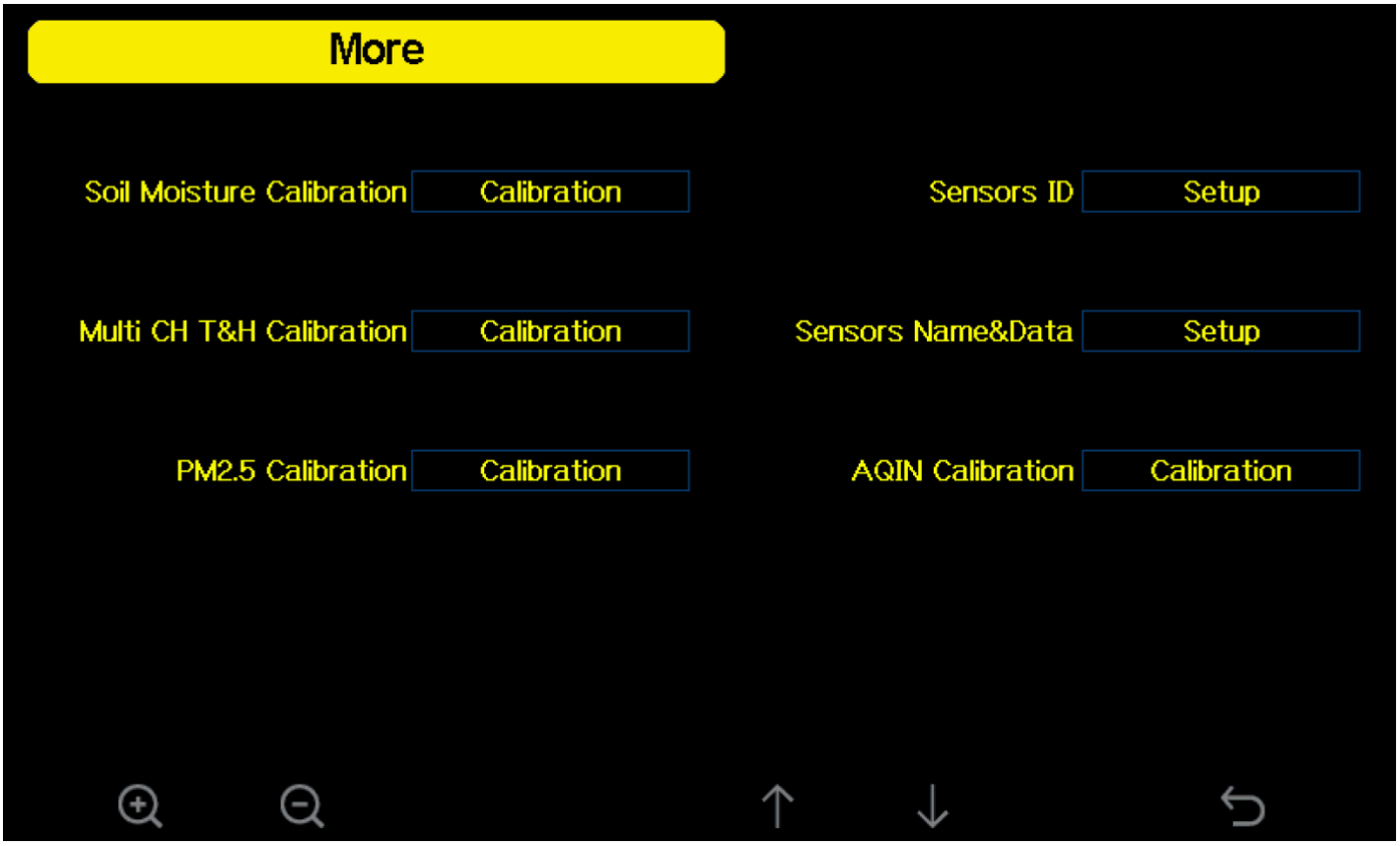
6.9.17 More

 x 18
Press Plus  to view additional settings. Note: You must be running Firmware Version 1.5.3 or greater.



Select field		Scroll field up	Scroll field down	return to Setup

Figure 50

6.9.18 Soil Moisture Calibration

The soil moisture sensor provides for optional two-point linear calibration. This is important due to different soil types and density.

The calibration equation is defined as:

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% Soil Moisture (calibrated) = (Now AD – 0%AD) *100 / (100%AD – 0%AD)

Where AD stands for “analog to digital” and is the unscaled digital value, Now AD is the currently measured AD and the other parameters are described below.

6.9.18.1 0% Soil Moisture Set Point

To determine the 0% soil moisture, collect a soil sample in a cup from where the sensor will be installed, and allow the soil to completely dry out. Next, place the soil sensor in the medium and allow the sensor to stabilize for one hour.

Next, set the **0%AD** calibration set point to the **Now AD** value.

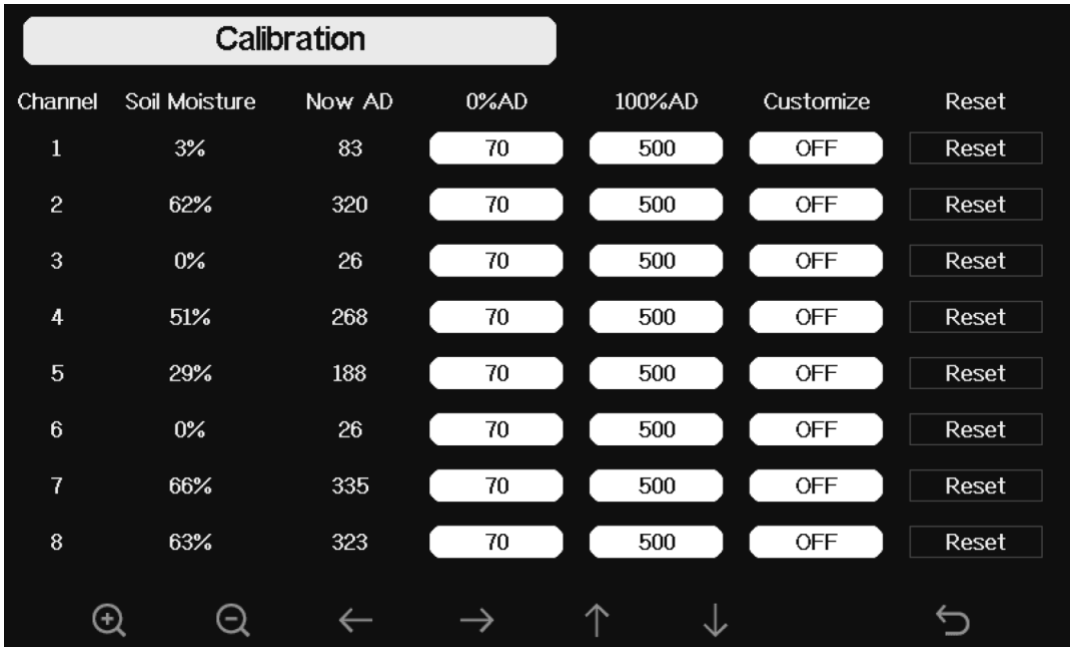
6.9.18.2 100% Soil Moisture Set Point

To determine the 100% soil moisture, collect a soil sample in a cup from where the sensor will be installed, and add water and mix until the soil is saturated, and there is no standing water. Next, place the soil sensor in the medium and allow the sensor to stabilize for one hour.

Next, set the **100%AD** calibration set point to the **Now AD** value.

6.9.18.3 Customize and Reset

Once the 0%AD and 100%AD are entered, set **Customize** to **ON**. To return to the non-calibrated settings, set **Customize** to OFF. Select **Reset** to restore to factory default.



Increase value	Decrease value	Select value	Select value	Scroll field up	Scroll field down	return to home

Figure 51

To adjust the parameter, press ↓ to scroll to the parameter you wish to change. Press → to highlight the sign (positive vs. negative, if applicable) and significant digit. Press ⊕ or ⊖ to change the calibrated

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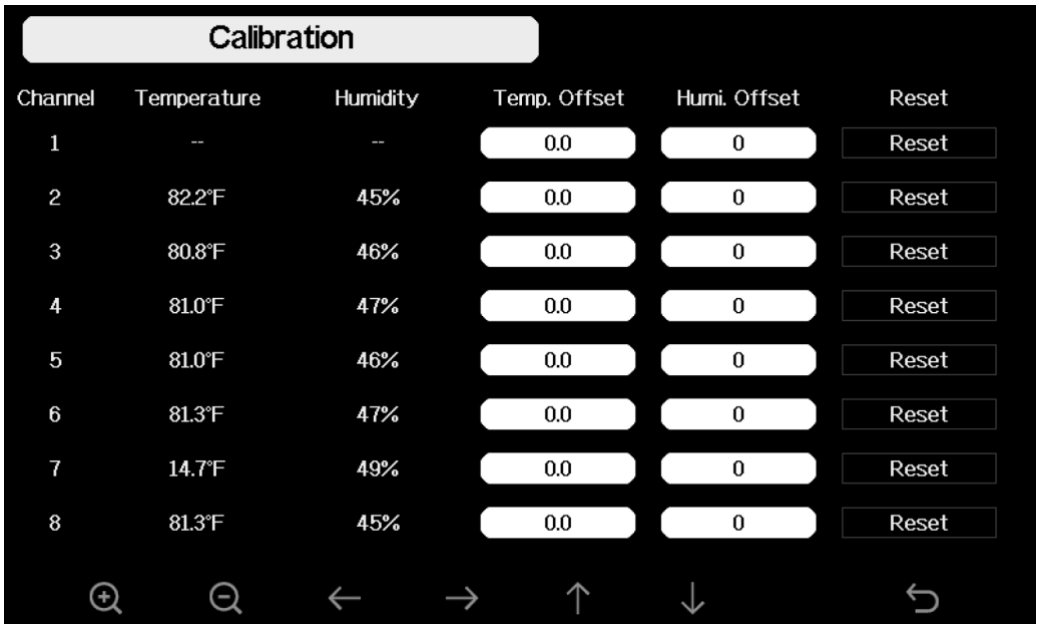
value.

6.9.19 Multi-Channel Temperature and Humidity Calibration

For general information on temperature and humidity calibration, reference Section 6.11, Calibration.



Increase value	Decrease value	Select value	Select value	Scroll field up	Scroll field down	return to home

Figure 52

The calibrated temperature and humidity equations are as follows:

Calibrated Temperature = Measured Temperature + Temp. Offset
Calibrated Humidity = Measured Humidity + Humidity Offset

To adjust the parameter, press ↓ to scroll to the parameter you wish to change. Press → to highlight the sign (positive vs. negative, if applicable) and significant digit. Press ⊕ or ⊖ to change the calibrated value.

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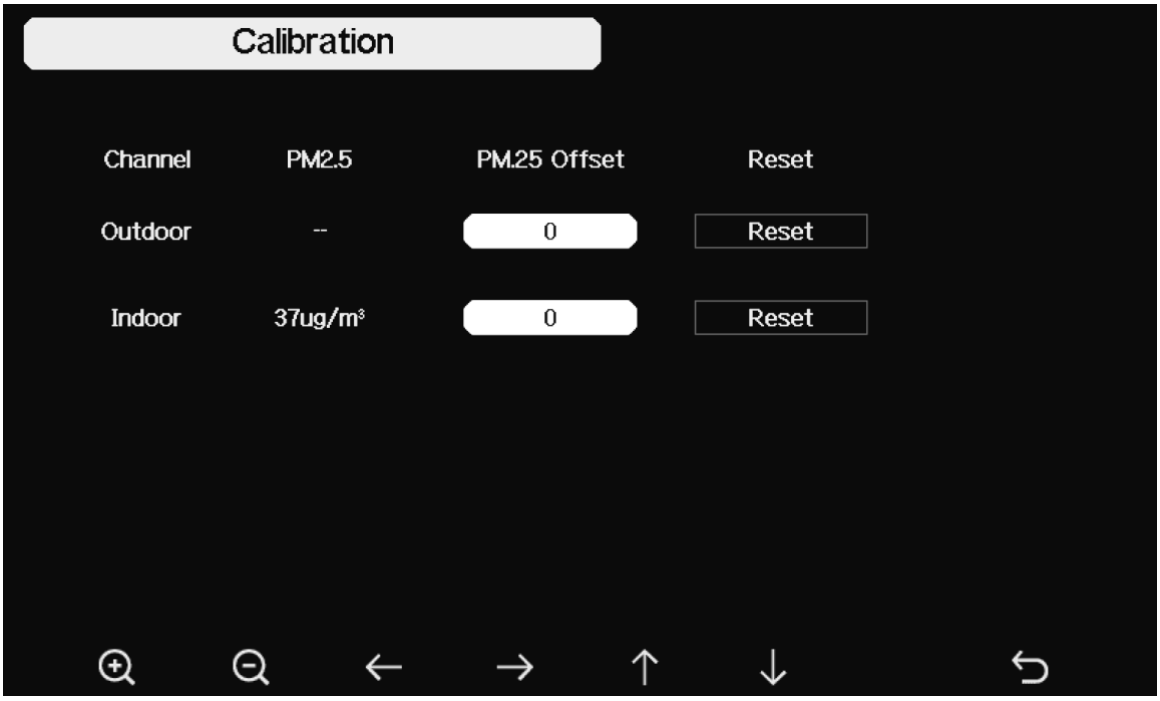
6.9.20 PM2.5 Air Quality Sensor Calibration



Increase value	Decrease value	Select value	Select value	Scroll field up	Scroll field down	return to home

Figure 52

The calibrated PM2.5 equations are as follows:

Calibrated PM2.5 = Measured PM2.5 + PM2.5 Offset

To adjust the parameter, press ↓ to scroll to the parameter you wish to change. Press → to highlight the significant digit. Press ⊕ or ⊖ to change the calibrated value.

6.9.1 Sensors ID

The console supports multiple sensors and sensor arrays. You can disable or enable specific sensors.

To view a complete list of sensor IDs, visit:

https://ambientweather.com/faqs/question/view/id/1502/

For the WS-5000 weather station, the following sensor IDs are assigned:

WS5000: Ultrasonic sensor array
5kRAIN: Rain gauge
WH32B: Indoor thermo-hygrometer-barometer

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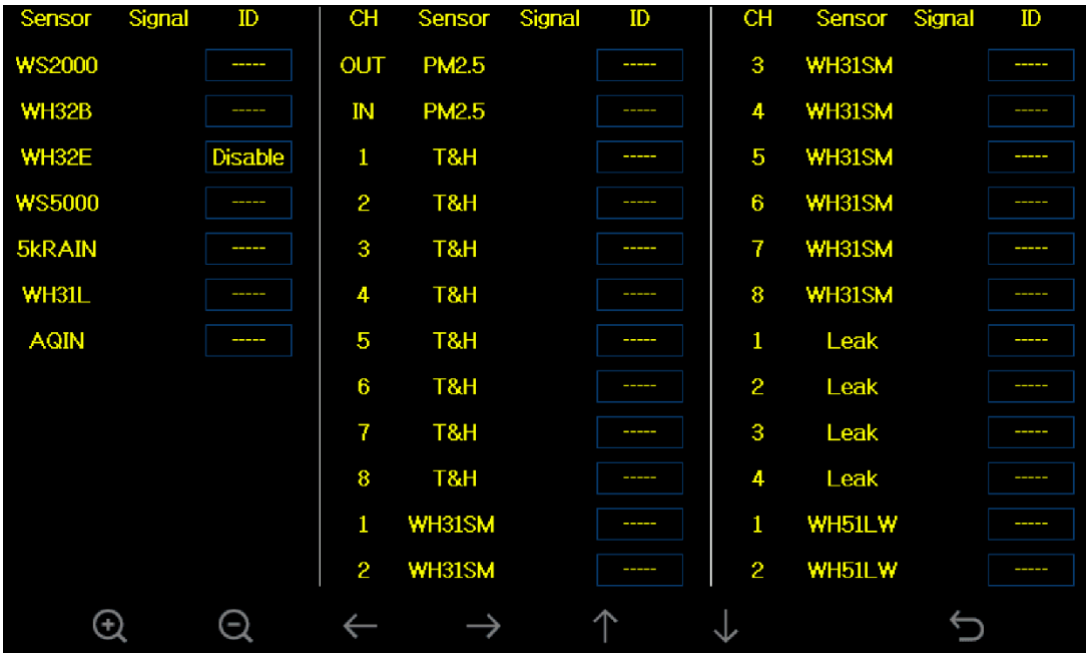

Select field		Scroll field up	Scroll field down	return to Setup

Figure 53

To register, disable or select a specific sensor, press the button to edit and save settings.

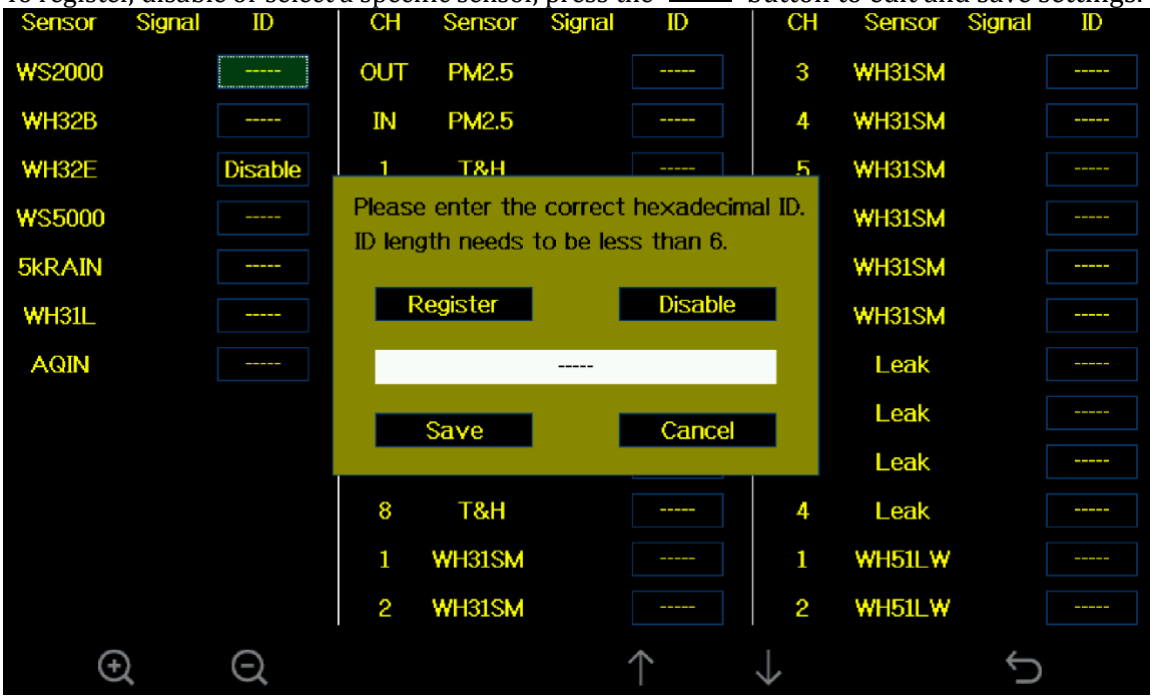

Figure 54

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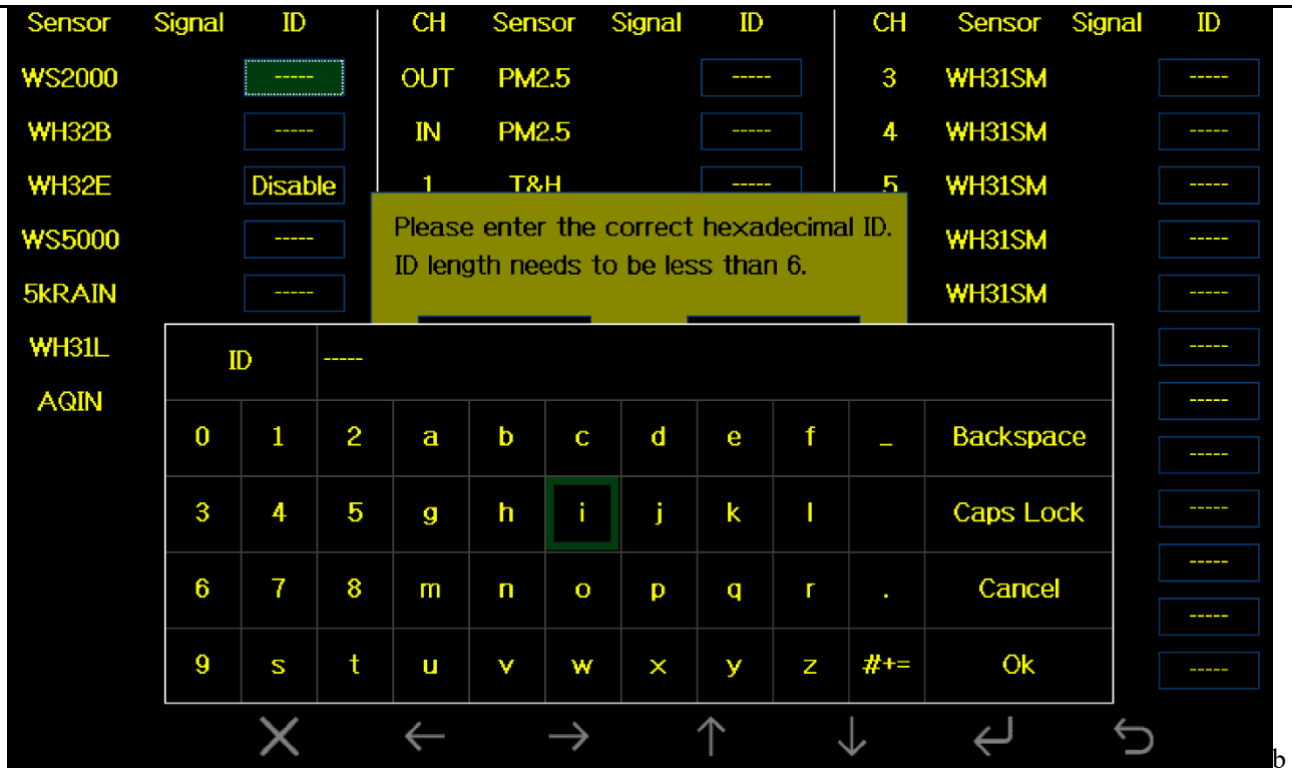

Figure 55

6.9.1 Sensors Name & Data

This screen will allow you to name you sensors and view current live data.



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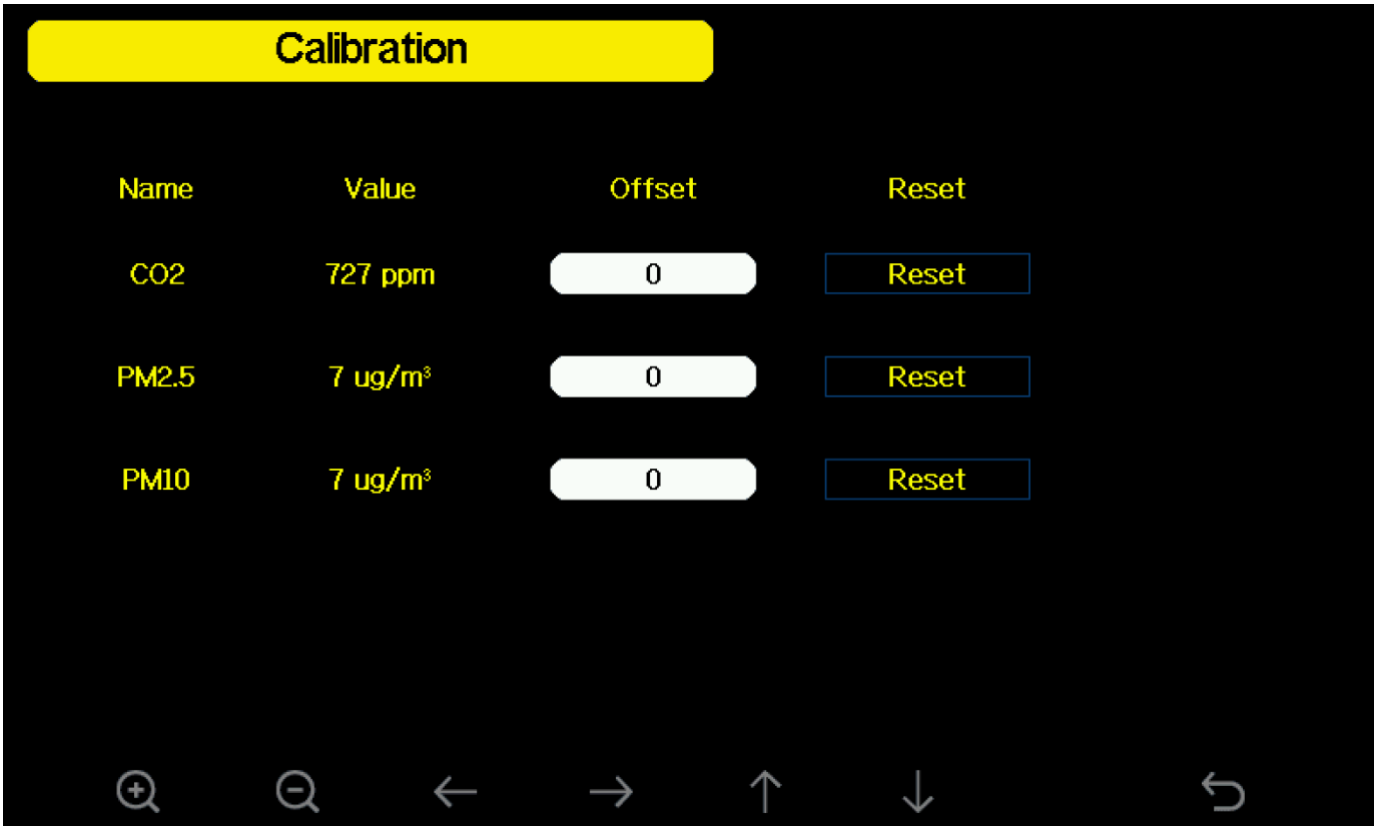
Select field		Scroll field up	Scroll field down	return to Setup

6.9.2 AQIN Calibration



Increase value	Decrease value	Select value	Select value	Scroll field up	Scroll field down	return to home

The calibrated AQIN equations are as follows:

Calibrated C02 = Measured C02 + C02 Offset

Calibrated PM2.5 = Measured PM2.5 + PM2.5 Offset

Calibrated PM10 = Measured PM10 + PM10 Offset

To adjust the parameter, press to scroll to the parameter you wish to change. Press to highlight the significant digit. Press or to change the calibrated value.

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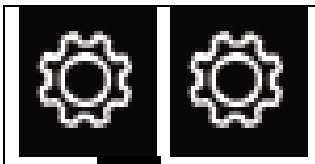
6.10 Alarm Mode



Press  to Enter the Alarm Mode

The upper alarm is displayed on the right and the lower alarm is displayed on the left. If the measured value is greater than the maximum alarm setting, the alarm will sound. If the measured value is less than the minimum alarm setting, the alarm will sound.

To turn Alarm sound ON or OFF, go to the Alarm home screen, and select the box next to “Sound”. Hint: once you get to home screen, press down button once. You may use EITHER the (+) or the (-) buttons to toggle between sound ON or OFF.

To adjust the alarm, press  to scroll to the alarm setting you wish to change. Press  to highlight the sign (positive vs. negative) and significant digit. Press  to change the value.

To set the alarm,, press  to highlight the alarm symbol  and press  to toggle the alarm ON or OFF.

When a weather alarm condition has been triggered, the alarm will sound for 120 seconds and the corresponding icon  will flash red for the high alert limit, and blue for the low alert limit, until the weather condition is no longer present. Press any key to mute the alarm.

You can also set a time of day alarm using the same method.

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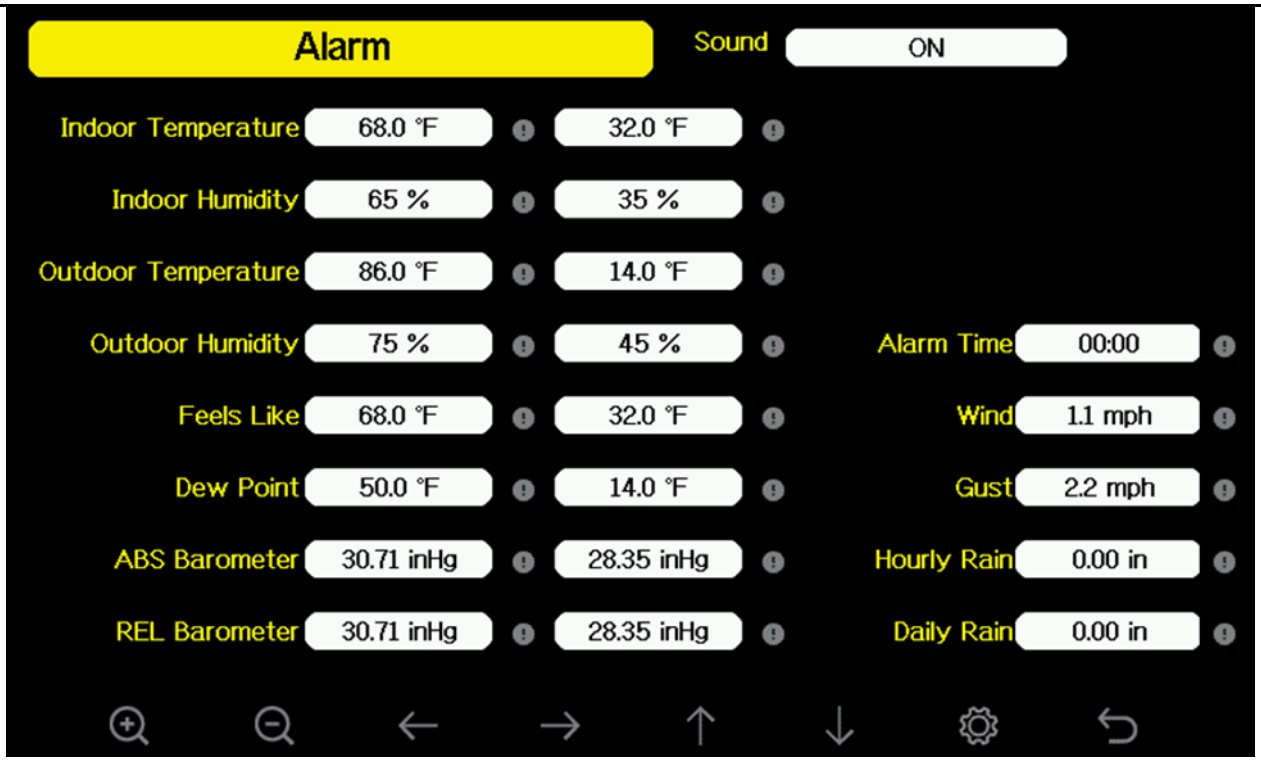
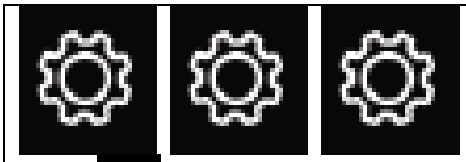


Figure 56

Increase alarm limit values	Decrease alarm limit values	Select value	Select value	Scroll field up	Scroll field down	Enter sub-setup mode	return to home

6.11 Calibration Mode



Press  to Enter the Calibration (Correct) Mode

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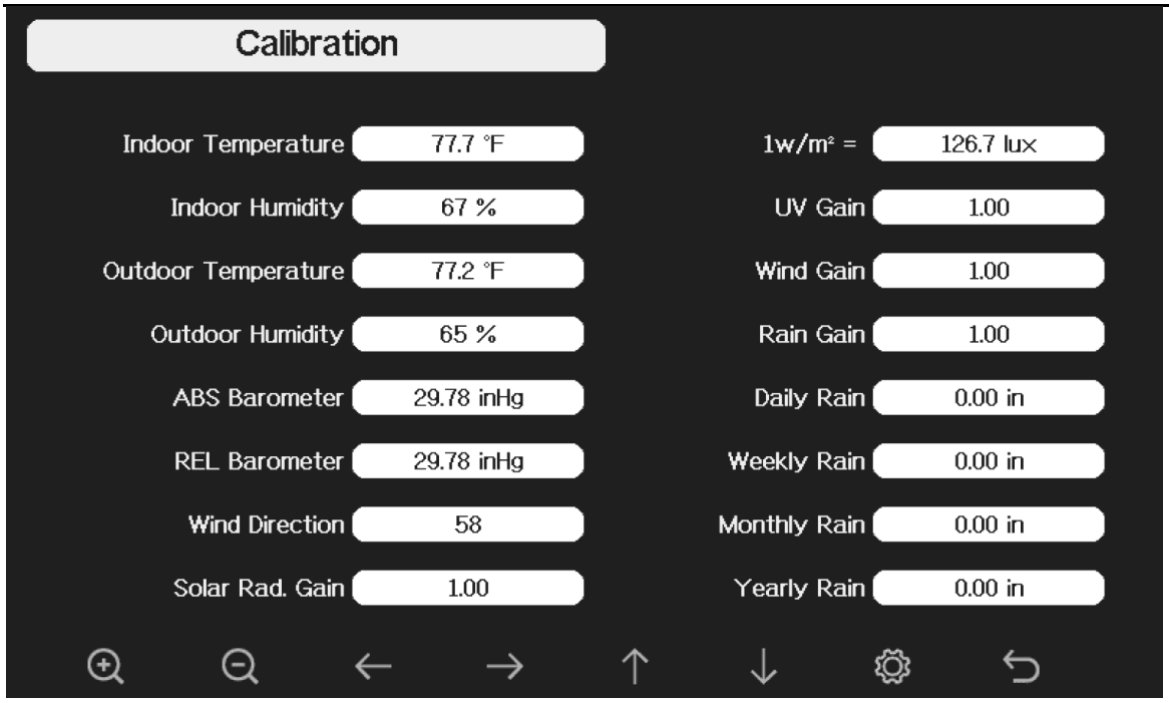

Figure 57

Increase calibrated value	Decrease calibrated value	Select value	Select value	Scroll field up	Scroll field down	Enter sub-setup mode	return to home

To adjust the parameter, press ↓ to scroll to the parameter you wish to change. Press → to highlight the sign (positive vs. negative, if applicable) and significant digit. Press ⊕ or ⊖ to change the calibrated value.

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Parameter	Type of Calibration	Default	Typical Calibration Source
Temperature	Offset	Current Value	Red Spirit or Mercury Thermometer (1)
Humidity	Offset	Current Value	Sling Psychrometer (2)
ABS Barometer	Offset	Current Value	Calibrated laboratory grade barometer
REL Barometer	Offset	Current Value	Local airport (3)
Wind Direction	Offset	Current Value	GPS, Compass (4)
Solar Radiation	Gain	1.00	Calibrated laboratory grade solar radiation sensor
1 w/m^2	Gain	126.7 lux	Solar radiation conversion from lux to w/m^2 for wavelength correction (5)
Wind	Gain	1.00	Calibrated laboratory grade wind meter (6)
Rain	Gain	1.00	Sight glass rain gauge with an aperture of at least 4" (7)
Daily Rain	Offset	Current Value	Apply an offset if the weather station was not operating for the entire day.
Weekly Rain	Offset	Current Value	Apply an offset if the weather station was not operating for the entire week.
Monthly Rain	Offset	Current Value	Apply an offset if the weather station was not operating for the entire month.
Yearly Rain	Offset	Current Value	Apply an offset if the weather station was not operating for the entire year.

(1) Temperature errors can occur when a sensor is placed too close to a heat source (such as a building structure, the ground or trees).

To calibrate temperature, we recommend a mercury or red spirit (fluid) thermometer. Bi-metal (dial) and digital thermometers (from other weather stations) are not a good source and have their own margin of error. Using a local weather station in your area is also a poor source due to changes in location, timing (airport weather stations are only updated once per hour) and possible calibration errors (many official weather stations are not properly installed and calibrated).

Place the sensor in a shaded, controlled environment next to the fluid thermometer, and allow the sensor to stabilize for 48 hours. Compare this temperature to the fluid thermometer and adjust the tablet to match the fluid thermometer.

(2) Humidity is a difficult parameter to measure electronically and drifts over time due to contamination. In addition, location has an adverse effect on humidity readings (installation over dirt vs. lawn for example).

Official stations recalibrate or replace humidity sensors on a yearly basis. Due to manufacturing tolerances, the humidity is accurate to ± 5%. To improve this accuracy, the indoor and outdoor humidity can be calibrated using an accurate source, such as a sling psychrometer.

(3) The display tablet displays two different pressures: absolute (measured) and relative (corrected to sea-level).

To compare pressure conditions from one location to another, meteorologists correct pressure to sea-level conditions. Because the air pressure decreases as you rise in altitude, the sea-level corrected pressure (the pressure your location would be at if located at sea-level) is generally higher than your measured pressure.

Thus, your absolute pressure may read 28.62 inHg (969 mb) at an altitude of 1000 feet (305 m), but the relative pressure is 30.00 inHg (1016 mb).

The standard sea-level pressure is 29.92 in Hg (1013 mb). This is the average sea-level pressure around the world. Relative pressure measurements greater than 29.92 inHg (1013 mb) are considered high

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pressure and relative pressure measurements less than 29.92 inHg are considered low pressure.

To determine the relative pressure for your location, locate your local "official" barometric pressure reading on www.AmbientWeather.net/baro or scan QR code below. To access the pressure relative pressure calibration screen of your console, see Section 6.11 / Figure 56 to enter the value.



Note: Calibration setting is saved until console is factory reset. If the console location elevation changes it will need to be recalibrated.

(4) Only use this if you improperly installed the weather station sensor array and did not point the direction reference to true north.

(5) The default conversion factor based on the wavelength for bright sunlight is 126.7 lux / w/m^2 . This variable can be adjusted by photovoltaic experts based on the light wavelength of interest, but for most weather station owners, is accurate for typical applications, such as calculating evapotranspiration and solar panel efficiency.

(6) Wind speed is the most sensitive to installation constraints. The rule of thumb for properly installing a wind speed sensor is 4 x the distance of the tallest obstruction. For example, if your house is 20' tall and you mount the sensor on a 5' pole:

Distance = 4 x (20 – 5)' = 60'.

Many installations are not perfect and installing the weather station on a roof can be difficult. Thus, you can calibrate for this error with a wind speed multiplier.

In addition to the installation challenges, wind cup bearings (moving parts) wear over time.

Without a calibrated source, wind speed can be difficult to measure. We recommend using a calibrated wind meter (available from Ambient Weather) and a constant speed, high speed fan.

(7) The rain collector is calibrated at the factory based on the funnel diameter. The bucket tips every 0.004" of rain (referred to as resolution). The accumulated rainfall can be compared to a sight glass rain gauge with an aperture of at least 4". The following is a link to an accurate sight glass rain gauge:

http://www.ambientweather.com/stprraga.html

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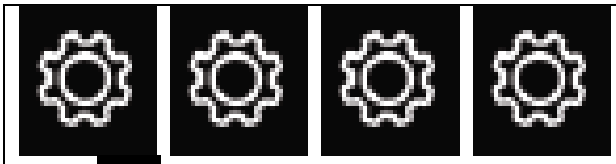
Make sure you periodically clean the rain gauge funnel.

Note: The purpose of calibration is to fine tune or correct for any sensor error associated with the devices margin of error. Errors can occur due to electronic variation (example, the temperature sensor is a resistive thermal device or RTD, the humidity sensor is a capacitance device), mechanical variation, or degradation (wearing of moving parts, contamination of sensors).

Calibration is only useful if you have a known calibrated source, you can compare it against and is optional. This section discusses practices, procedures, and sources for sensor calibration to reduce manufacturing and degradation errors. Do not compare your readings obtained from sources such as the internet, radio, television, or newspapers. The purpose of your weather station is to measure conditions of your surroundings, which vary significantly from location to location.

6.12 Factory and Data Export



Press  to Enter the Factory Default Mode

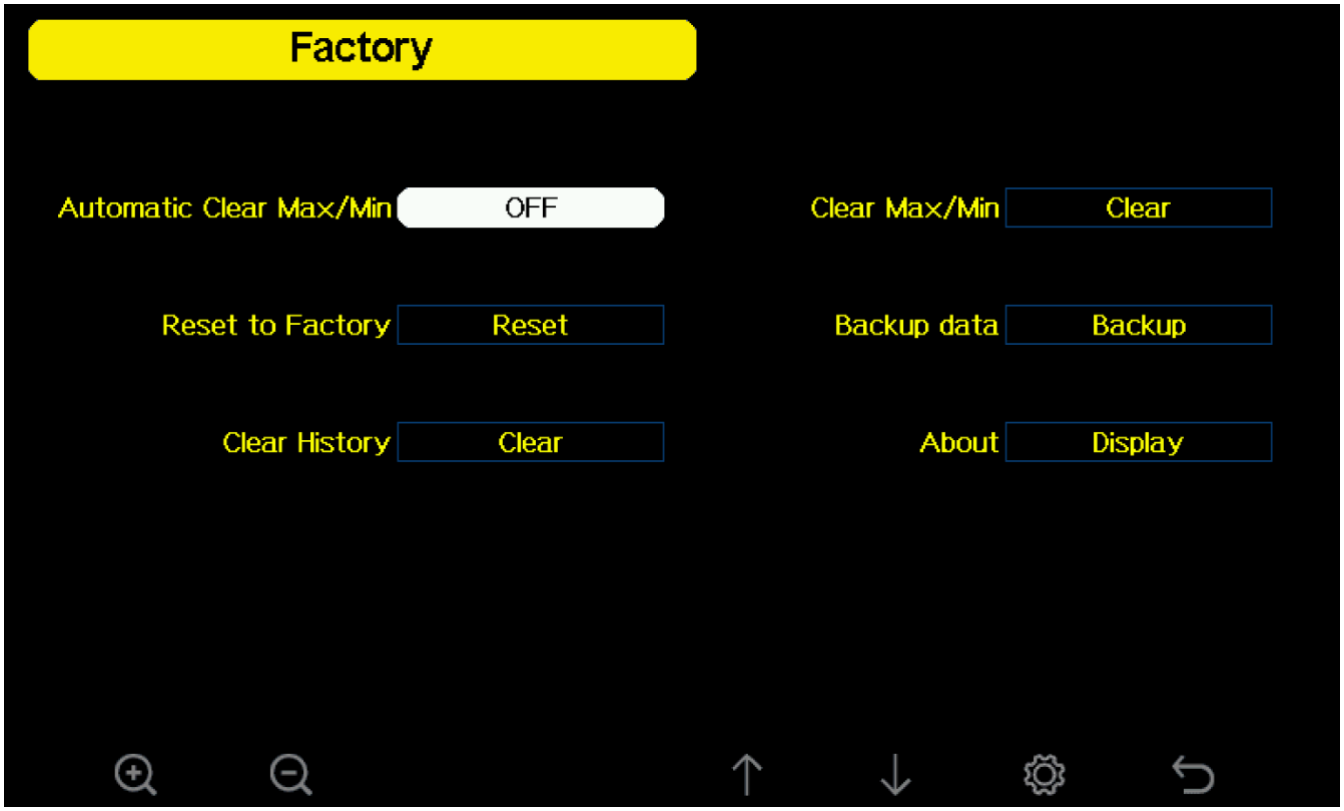


Figure 58

							
Select Setting	Select Setting	Scroll left	Scroll right	Scroll field up	Scroll field down	Enter sub-setup mode	return to home

1. **Automatic Clear Max/Min.** Clears all the minimum and maximum values in stored memory at Midnight

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every day. Press ↓ to highlight this field.

2. **Reset to Factory.** Clears all stored memory, calibrations and other variables to factory default. Press ↓ to highlight this field.

   Press 🔍+ to proceed. Press 🔍+ or 🔍− key to popup the Message Box" Are **you sure you want to reset to factory default?**" Press ↑ or ↓ to select Yes or No. Press 🔍+ key to confirm the selection.

3. **Clear History.** Clears all the historical data in archive memory. Press ↓ to highlight this field.

   Press ↑ or ↓ key to select re-register indoor transmitter. Press 🔍+ or 🔍− key to popup the Message Box" Are you sure you want to clear history?" Press ↑ or ↓ to select Yes or No. Press 🔍+ or 🔍− key to confirm the selection.

4. **Clear Max/Min.** Clears all Maximum and Minimum data from the console

5. **Backup data.** Backup data to micro-SD / TF card (see the Accessories section of this manual for more information on micro-SD / TF cards). Insert the micro-SD / TF Card into the slot, as shown in Figure .

   Press the ↑ key to select Backup data. Press the 🔍+ key to popup the Message Box **Copy history data to SD card?** Press ↑ to select OK or Cancel. Press 🔍+ key to confirm the selection.

   The data is stored in comma separated value (csv) file format, which can be opened in Microsoft Excel. The TF card can be read by a computer with an SD card adaptor.

   It may take several minutes to write the data to the SD Card. The popup message **Successful completion of the backup.** will be displayed. Press ↩ to return.

6.12.1 Exporting Data File Format (Data Logging)

Plug the Micro SD Card into your computer and view the SD Card Drive. There are two files listed.

History_YYYYDD.csv: The history data file as shown in Figure .

YYYYDD.csv: The remaining data during the download. For example, if it takes three minutes to download, it the last three minutes of data.

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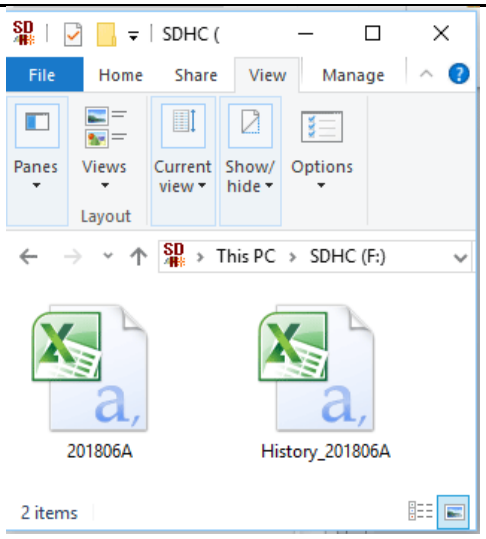

Figure 59

The format of the data is csv (comma separated value) and can be opened in a spreadsheet program such as Microsoft Excel for advanced data analysis, with the following headers:

Column	Parameter
1	No (data point number)
2	Time
3	Indoor Temperature (°F)
4	Indoor Humidity (%)
5	Outdoor Temperature (°F)
6	Outdoor Humidity (%)
7	Dew Point (°F)
8	Feels Like (°F)
9	Wind (mph)
10	Gust (mph)
11	Wind Direction (°)
12	ABS Barometer (inHg)
13	REL Barometer (inHg)
14	Solar Rad. (lux)
15	UV Index
16	Rain Rate (in/h)
17	Event Rain (in)
18	Daily Rain (in)
19	Weekly Rain (in)
20	Monthly Rain (in)
21	Yearly Rain (in)

Figure 60

6.12.2 Exporting Channel 1-8 Data

The SD Card must be inserted into the console and remain inserted to record channel 1-8 sensor data. Whenever there is a new data set recorded, it will be added to this file.

The sensor data is not saved to on-board flash due to memory constraints; it is only saved to the SD card.

YYYYCH1A.csv is the channel sensor data and is only generated when the SD Card is inserted into the tablet.

6.12.3 About

Provides detailed information for troubleshooting purposes.

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Figure 61

7. Updating Firmware

7.1 What is firmware?

Firmware is software that is embedded on chip inside the weather station hardware. Firmware is the software for the hardware. The firmware tells the hardware what to do with the data and when and how to send it to the internet.

The WS-2000 has two types of firmware: console firmware and Wi-Fi firmware. Both are upgraded “over the air” in the same location on the console.

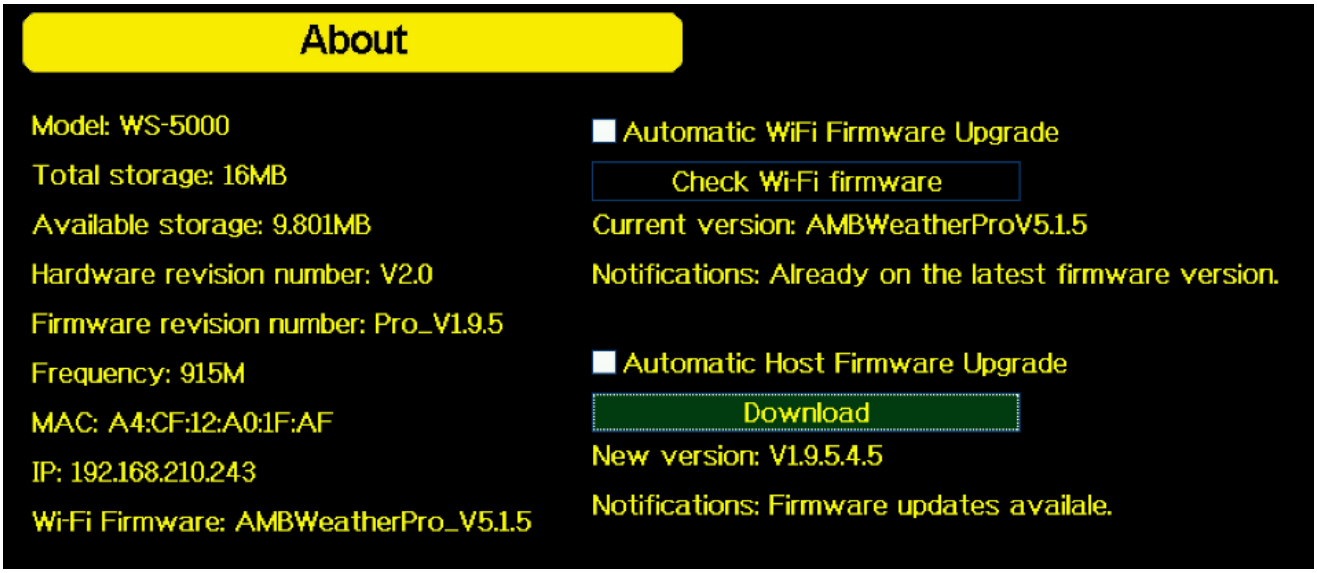
7.2 Updating Console Firmware

The console must be connected to Wi-Fi to update the Console Firmware.

At the home screen, press the Set key  once to get into the Setup page, then three more times to get to the Factory page. Note, the location of the icon changes after the first press. With the  arrows, highlight “About/Display” and press the  symbol in the magnifying glass to select.

On the “About” Page, use the  arrows and the  symbol to navigate and select. If you would like your console to automatically upgrade firmware when new ones are released, highlight and check the box that says, “Automatic Host Firmware Upgrade”.

If you prefer manual updates, leave this box empty. If it is checked, pressing the  button when highlighted will uncheck the box. When you want to upgrade firmware, highlight the “Check firmware” and follow prompts if a new one is available. The latest firmware will be noted below the “Check firmware” box, and the current firmware on your console will be noted to the left in the “firmware revision number:” line.



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For Console Firmware update history please see the link below:
https://ambientweather.com/faqs/question/view/id/1415/

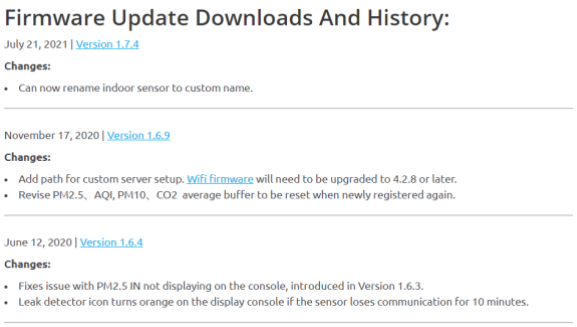

Figure 64

7.3 Wi-Fi Firmware Update

To update the Wi-Fi firmware on your WS-2000/WS-4000/WS-5000 display console, your console must already be connected to Wi-Fi. You will access the about screen and select Upgrade Wi-Fi Version you will receive a notification if it is successful.

Like the Console Firmware upgrade, navigate to the About page by pressing the Set button  once at home screen, then three more times to access the Factory page. The location of the Set button changes after the first press. When at the Factory page, navigate to the About section and press the  symbol to select it.

When in the About page, use the  arrows to move the selection to the Wi-Fi section. You may set the Wi-Fi to upgrade automatically by highlighting the “Automatic WiFi Firmware Upgrade” and pressing the  button. Pressing  button will deselect the box when highlighted.

If you prefer to manually upgrade firmware, leave the box unchecked and select the “Upgrade Wifi Version” box below it.
The latest available Wi-Fi firmware will be noted just below the “Upgrade Wifi Version” box. The version that is currently on your console will be notated on the left side of the screen, toward the bottom of the screen as “Wi-Fi Firmware:”

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Figure 74

Select field		Scroll field up	Scroll field down	return to Setup

8. Glossary of Terms

Term	Definition
Absolute Barometric Pressure	Absolute pressure is the measured atmospheric pressure and is a function of altitude, and to a lesser extent, changes in weather conditions. Absolute pressure is not corrected to sea-level conditions. *Refer to Relative Barometric Pressure.*
Accuracy	Accuracy is defined as the ability of a measurement to match the actual value of the quantity being measured.
Barometer	A barometer is an instrument used to measure atmospheric pressure.
Calibration	Calibration is a comparison between measurements – one of known magnitude or correctness of one device (standard) and another measurement made in as similar a way as possible with a second device (instrument).
Dew Point	The dew point is the temperature at which a given parcel of humid air must be cooled, at constant barometric pressure, for water vapor to condense into water. The condensed water is called dew. The dew point is a saturation temperature. The dew point is associated with relative humidity. A high relative humidity indicates that the dew point is closer to the current air temperature. Relative humidity of 100% indicates the dew point is equal to the current temperature and the air is maximally saturated with water. When the dew point remains constant and temperature increases, relative humidity will decrease.

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Term	Definition
Feels Like	The Feels Like temperature is a combination of Heat Index when it is hot outside, and Wind Chill when it is cold outside. Wind Chill temperature is defined by the National Weather Service for temperatures at or below 40 °F and wind speeds above 5.0 mph. Heat Index is not valid or calculated below 80 degF. Thus, when the outdoor temperature is between 40 degF and 80 degF, the feels like temperature is the same as the outdoor temperature. If the temperature is below 40 degF, the feels like temperature is the same as the outdoor temperature when the wind speed is less than 5 mph.
Hectopascals (hPa)	Pressure units in SI (international system) units of measurement. Same as millibars (1 hPa = 1 mbar)
Hygrometer	A hygrometer is a device that measures relative humidity. Relative humidity is a term used to describe the amount or percentage of water vapor that exists in air.
Inches of Mercury (inHg)	Pressure in Imperial units of measure. 1 inch of mercury = 33.86 millibars
Rain Gauge	A rain gauge is a device that measures liquid precipitation (rain), as opposed to solid precipitation (snow gauge) over a set period. All digital rain gauges are self-emptying or self-dumping (also referred to as tipping rain gauge). The precision of the rain gauge is based on the volume of rain per emptying cycle.
Range	Range is defined as the amount or extent a value can be measured.
Relative Barometric Pressure	Measured barometric pressure relative to your location or ambient conditions.
Resolution	Resolution is defined as the number of significant digits (decimal places) to which a value is being reliably measured.
Solar Radiation	A solar radiation sensor measures solar energy from the sun. Solar radiation is radiant energy emitted by the sun from a nuclear fusion reaction that creates electromagnetic energy. The spectrum of solar radiation is close to that of a black object with a temperature of about 5800 K. About half of the radiation is in the visible short-wave part of the electromagnetic spectrum. The other half is mostly in the near-infrared part, with some in the ultraviolet part of the spectrum.
Thermometer	A thermometer is a device that measures temperature. Most digital thermometers are resistive thermal devices (RTD). RTDs measure changes in temperature as a function of electrical resistance.
Wind Vane	A wind vane is a device that measures the direction of the wind. The wind vane is usually combined with the anemometer. Wind direction is the direction from which the wind is blowing.

Figure 66

9. Specifications

9.1 Wireless Specifications

- Line of sight wireless sensor array RF transmission (in open air): 1,000 feet, 300 feet under most conditions
- Line of sight Wi-Fi RF transmission (in open air): 80 feet
- Update Rate: Outdoor Sensor: 4.9 seconds, Indoor Sensor: 49 seconds
- Sensor Array RF Frequency: 915 MHz

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- Wi-Fi Tablet RF Frequency: 2.4 GHz

9.2 Measurement Specifications

The following table provides the specifications for the measured parameters.

Measurement	Range	Accuracy	Resolution
Indoor Temperature	14 to 140 °F	± 2 °F	0.1 °F
Outdoor Temperature	-40 to 149 °F (lithium batteries) -23 to 140 °F (alkaline batteries)	± 2 °F	0.1 °F
Indoor Humidity	10 to 99%	± 5%	1 %
Outdoor Humidity	10 to 99%	± 5%	1 %
Barometric Pressure	8.85 to 32.50 inHg	± 0.08 inHg (within range of 27.13 to 32.50 inHg)	0.01 inHg
Light/Solar Radiation	0 to 300,000 Lux	± 15%	1 Lux
Light/Solar Radiation	0 to 27870.91FC	± 15%	0.01FC
Solar Irradiance	0 to 2367.798W/M2	± 15%	0.001W/M2
Rain	0 to 236 in.	± 5%	0.004 in
Wind Direction	0 - 360 º	± 5º	1º
Wind Speed	0 to 89 mph (operational)	< 22 mph, +/- 1 mph ≥ 22 mph, +/-5%	1 mph

Figure 67

Transmission distance in open field: 300m (1000 ft)
Sensor reporting interval: 4.75 seconds
RF Frequency: 915 MHz

9.3 Power Consumption

- Display Tablet: 5V DC Adaptor (included), Power Consumption: 0.5 Watts (1.25 Watts during Wi-Fi configuration mode)
- Outdoor sensor array: 2 x AA batteries (not included). The primary power source is the solar panel. The batteries provide backup power when there is limited solar energy.
- Indoor sensor: 2 x AA batteries (not included).
- Rain Gauge: 1 x AA battery (not included)

10. Maintenance

10.1 Array Maintenance

1. Clean the rain gauge once every 3 months. Rotate the funnel counterclockwise and lift to expose the rain gauge mechanism, and clean with a damp cloth. Remove any dirt, debris, and insects. If bug infestation is an issue, spray the array lightly with insecticide.

2. Clean the solar radiation sensor and solar panel every 3 months with damp cloth.
3. Replace batteries every 1-2 years. If left in too long, the batteries may leak due to environmental challenges. In harsh environments, inspect the batteries every 3 months (when cleaning the solar panel).
4. When replacing the batteries, apply a corrosion preventive compound on the battery terminals, available at Amazon and most hardware stores.
5. In snowy environments, spray the top of the weather station with anti-icing silicon spray to prevent snow build up.

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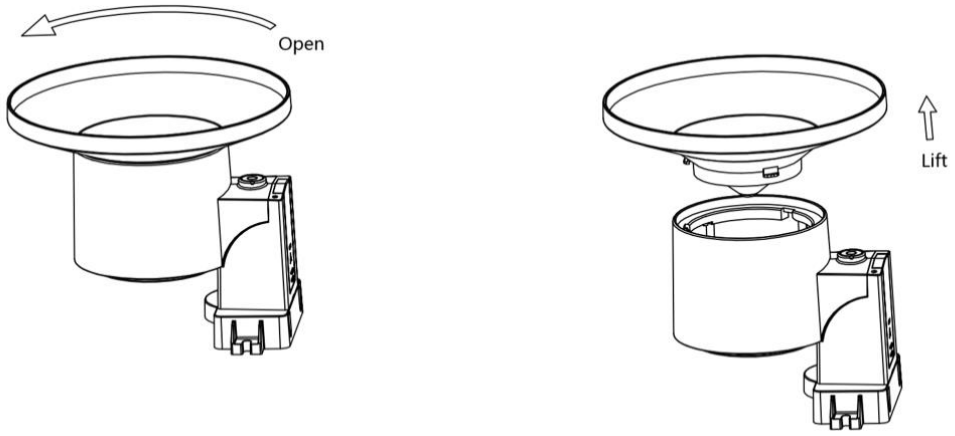

Figure 68

11. Troubleshooting Guide

If your question is not answered here, you can contact us as follows:

1. Online Support: https://ambientweather.com/faqs/question/tags/tag/WS-5000/
2. Email Support: support@ambientweather.com
3. Technical Support: 480-346-3380 (M-F 8am to 3pm Arizona Time)

Problem	Solution
Outdoor sensor array does not communicate to the display tablet.	Reset the sensor array. Press the reset button as described in Figure 1 #12. With an open-ended paperclip, press the reset button for 3 seconds to completely discharge the voltage. Take out the batteries and wait one minute, while covering the solar panel to drain the voltage. Put batteries back in and resync the tablet with the sensor array about 10 feet away. The LED next to the battery compartment will flash every 5 seconds. If the LED is not flashing every 5 seconds… Replace the batteries in the outside sensor array. If the batteries were recently replaced, check the polarity. If the sensor is flashing every 5 seconds, proceed to the next step. There may be a temporary loss of communication due to reception loss related to interference or other location factors, or the batteries may have been changed in the sensor array and the tablet has not been reset. The solution may be as simple as powering down and up the tablet (remove AC power, wait 10 seconds, and reinsert AC power).
Temperature sensor reads too high in the daytime.	Make certain that the sensor array is not too close to heat generating sources or strictures, such as buildings, pavement, walls or air conditioning units. Use the calibration feature to offset installation issues related to radiant heat sources. Reference Section 6.11.

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Problem	Solution
Relative pressure does not agree with official reporting station	You may be viewing the absolute pressure, not the relative pressure. Select the relative pressure. Make sure you properly calibrate the sensor to an official local weather station. Reference Section 6.11..
Rain gauge reports rain when it is not raining	An unstable mounting solution (sway in the mounting pole) may result in the tipping bucket incorrectly incrementing rainfall. Make sure you have a stable, level mounting solution.
No Wi-Fi connection	1. Check for Wi-Fi symbol on the display. If wireless connectivity is successful, the Wi-Fi icon  will be displayed in the time field. 2. Make sure your modem Wi-Fi settings are correct (network name, and password). 3. Make sure the tablet is plugged into AC power. The tablet will not connect to Wi-Fi when powered by batteries only. 4. The tablet only supports and connects to 2.4 GHz routers. If you own a 5 GHz router, and it is a dual band router, you will need to disable the 5 GHz band, and enable the 2.4 GHz band. 1. The tablet does not support guest networks.
Exclamation point ! next to the Wi-Fi icon	5. If there is an exclamation point ! next to the Wi-Fi icon on the WS-5000 display, it means the display is connected to Wi-Fi but the Wi-Fi is not connected to the Internet Make sure the 2.4 GHz band on your router is connected to the Internet. If the problem persists, try rebooting your router.
Wind Vane does not spin as freely as the wind cups.	This is by design. The dampening prevents the wind vane from spinning with the slightest breeze, which will result in variable wind all the time. The added resistance allows the wind vane to change direction with 2 – 3 mph, providing a much better wind direction tracking.
Time off by increments of an hour, or date is off by one day.	The time zone is entered incorrectly. Reference Section 6.9.1.

Figure 69

12. Accessories

The following software and hardware accessories are available for this weather station at www.AmbientWeather.com .

Accessory	Description
Ambient Weather Mounting Solutions	Ambient Weather provides the most comprehensive mounting solutions for weather stations, including tripods, pole extensions, pole mounting kits, ground stakes and more.
WS-5000-CONSOLE-AC	Add as many display tablets as you like to your weather station.

Figure 70

13. Liability Disclaimer

Please help in the preservation of the environment and return used batteries to an authorized depot.
The electrical and electronic wastes contain hazardous substances. Disposal of electronic waste in wild country and/or in unauthorized grounds strongly damages the environment.

Reading the “User manual” is highly recommended. The manufacturer and supplier cannot accept any responsibility for any incorrect readings and any consequences that occur should an inaccurate reading take place.

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This product is designed for use in the home only as an indication of weather conditions. This product is not to be used for medical purposes or for public safety information.
The specifications of this product may change without prior notice.

This product is not a toy. Keep out of the reach of children.

No part of this manual may be reproduced without written authorization of the manufacturer.

Ambient, LLC WILL NOT ASSUME LIABILITY FOR INCIDENTAL, CONSEQUENTIAL, PUNITIVE, OR OTHER SIMILAR DAMAGES ASSOCIATED WITH THE OPERATION OR MALFUNCTION OF THIS PRODUCT.

14. FCC Statement

Statement according to FCC part 15.19:
This device complies with part 15 of the FCC rules. Operation is subject to the following two conditions:

1. This device may not cause harmful interference.
2. This device must accept any interference received, including interference that may cause undesired operation.

Statement according to FCC part 15.21:
Modifications not expressly approved by this company could void the user's authority to operate the equipment.
Statement according to FCC part 15.105:
NOTE: This equipment has been tested and found to comply with the limits for a Class B digital device, pursuant to Part 15 of the FCC Rules. These limits are designed to provide reasonable protection against harmful interference in a residential installation. This equipment generates, uses and can radiate radio frequency energy and, if not installed and used in accordance with the instructions, may cause harmful interference to radio communications.
However, there is no guarantee that interference will not occur in a installation. If this equipment does cause harmful interference to radio or television reception, which can be determined by turning the equipment off and on, the user is encouraged to try to correct the interference by one or more of the following measures:

- Reorient or relocate the receiving antenna.
- Increase the separation between the equipment and receiver.
- Connect the equipment into an outlet on a circuit different from that to which the receiver is connected.
- Consult the dealer or an experienced radio/TV technician for help.

15. Warranty Information

Ambient, LLC provides a 1-year limited warranty on this product against manufacturing defects in materials and workmanship.

This limited warranty begins on the original date of purchase, is valid only on products purchased and only to the original purchaser of this product. To receive warranty service, the purchaser must contact Ambient, LLC for problem determination and service procedures.

Warranty service can only be performed by an Ambient, LLC. The original dated bill of sale must be presented upon request as proof of purchase to Ambient, LLC.

Your Ambient, LLC warranty covers all defects in material and workmanship with the following specified exceptions: (1) damage caused by accident, unreasonable use or neglect (lack of reasonable and necessary maintenance); (3) damage resulting from failure to follow instructions contained in your owner’s manual; (4) damage resulting from the performance of repairs or alterations by someone other than an authorized Ambient, LLC authorized service center; (5) units used for other than personal use (6) applications and uses that this product was not intended (7) the products inability to receive a signal due to any source of interference or metal obstructions and (8) extreme acts of nature, such as lightning strikes or floods.
This warranty covers only actual defects within the product itself and does not cover the cost of installation or removal from a fixed installation, normal set-up or adjustments, claims based on misrepresentation by the seller or performance variations resulting from installation-related circumstances.

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16. California Prop 65

WARNING: Use of the Ambient Weather Products can expose you to chemicals, including lead and lead compounds, which are known to the State of California to cause cancer and bisphenol A (BPA), and phthalates DINP and/or DEHP, which are known to the State of California to cause birth defects or other reproductive harm.

Can I Trust that Ambient Weather Products are Safe Despite this Warning?

In 1986, California voters approved the Safe Drinking Water and Toxic Enforcement Act known as Proposition 65 or Prop 65. The purpose of Proposition 65 is to ensure that people are informed about exposure to chemicals known by the State of California to cause cancer, birth defects and/or other reproductive harm. A company with ten or more employees that operates within the State of California (or sells products in California) must comply with the requirements of Proposition 65. To comply, businesses are: (1) prohibited from knowingly discharging listed chemicals into sources of drinking water; and (2) required to provide a "clear and reasonable" warning before knowingly and intentionally exposing anyone to a listed chemical. Proposition 65 mandates that the Governor of California maintain and publish a list of chemicals that are known to cause cancer, birth defects and/or other reproductive harm. The Prop 65 list, which must be updated annually, includes over 1,000 chemicals, including many that are commonly used in the electronics industry.

Although our manufacturing process is "lead-free" and RoHS compliant, it remains possible that trace amounts of lead could be found in components or subassemblies of Ambient Weather Products. Bisphenol A (BPSA) could conceivably be present in minute amounts in our plastic housings, lenses, labels or adhesives, and DEHP & DINP (phthalates) could possibly be found in PVC wire coatings of our cables, housings, and power cords. Unlike RoHS, Prop 65 does not establish a specific threshold for reporting on the substances of concern and instead sets forth a much less definitive standard requiring that the business demonstrate with certainty that there is "no significant risk" resulting from exposure. With respect to carcinogens, the "no significant risk" level is defined as the level which is calculated to result in not more than one excess case of cancer in 100,000 individuals exposed over a 70-year lifetime. In other words, if you are exposed to the chemical in question at this level every day for 70 years, theoretically, it will increase your chances of getting cancer by no more than 1 case in 100,000 individuals so exposed. With respect to reproductive toxicants, the "no significant risk" level is defined as the level of exposure which, even if multiplied by 1,000, will not produce birth defects or other reproductive harm. In other words, the level of exposure is below the "no observable effect level," divided by 1,000. (The "no observable effect level" is the highest dose level which has not been associated with observable reproductive harm in humans or test animals.) Proposition 65 does not clarify whether exposure is to be measured only in normal operation, or in the event of misuse such as intentionally damaging, incinerating or consuming an Ambient Weather Product or component and Ambient Weather has not attempted to evaluate the level of exposure.

A Proposition 65 warning means one of two things: (1) the business has evaluated the exposure and has concluded that it exceeds the "no significant risk level"; or (2) the business has chosen to provide a warning simply based on its knowledge about the presence of a listed chemical without attempting to evaluate the exposure. The California government has itself clarified that "The fact that a product bears a Proposition 65 warning does not mean by itself that the product is unsafe." The government has also explained, "You could think of Proposition 65 more as a 'right to know' law than a pure product safety law."

While using Ambient Weather Products as intended, we believe any potential exposure would be negligible or well within the "no significant risk" range. However, to ensure compliance with California law and our customers' right to know, we have elected to place the Proposition 65 warning signs on Ambient Weather Products.

For further information about California's Proposition 65, please visit https://oehha.ca.gov/prop65/background/p65plain.html



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