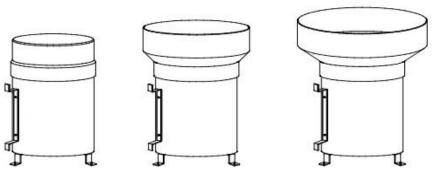


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## TR-525 Series Rainfall Sensors User's Manual

Models: TR-525I TR-525I (m) TR-525USW TR-525USW (m) TR-525M



#### **Model TR-525 Series Rainfall Sensors**

#### **DESCRIPTION**

The sensor consists of a gold anodized aluminum collector funnel with a knife-edge that diverts the water to a tipping bucket mechanism. A magnet is attached to the tipping bucket, which actuates a magnetic switch on each tip of the bucket. The water drains out of the bottom of the housing, so the sensor requires no attention or servicing. Connecting the sensor to an event counter on a data logger or display module allows for electronics record keeping of accumulated rainfall.

The aluminum housing is finished with a white powder-coat to withstand years of exposure to the environment.

<b>Specifications</b>	TR-525I	TR-525USW	TR-525M
Resolution:	0.01" or .2 mm	0.01" or .2 mm	0.1 mm
Accuracy:	0-2 in. (50 mm) per hour; +/-1%	0-2 in. (50 mm) per hour; +/-1%	50 mm per hour; +/-1%
Range:	27" (700 mm) per hour	27" (700 mm) per hour	27" (700 mm) per hour
Average Switch Closure Time:	135 ms	135 ms	135 ms
Maximum Bounce Settling Time:	0.75 ms	0.75 ms	0.75 ms
Maximum Switch Rating:	30 VDC @ 2A	30 VDC @ 2A	30 VDC @ 2A
	115 VAC @ 1A	115 VAC @ 1A	115 VAC @ 1A
Temperature Limits:			
Operational Temperature:	32 to 158°F	32 to 158°F	32 to 158°F
Storage Temperature:	-40 to 185°F	-40 to 185°F	-40 to 185°F
Humidity Limits:	0 to 100%	0 to 100%	0 to 100%
Height:	10.25"	11.125"	12"
Weight:	4 lbs.	6 lbs.	8 lbs.
Receiving Orifice Diameter:	6.060"	8.000"	9.664"
Cable:	10' 24 Gauge 2 Cnd.	10', 24 Gauge 2 Cnd.	10', 24 Gauge 2 Cnd.
Maintenance:	Occasional cleaning of	Occasional cleaning of	Occasional cleaning of
	debris from filter screen	debris from filter screen	debris from filter screen
	may be required.	may be required.	may be required.
Warranty:	3 years	3 years	3 years

#### **ORDERING INFORMATION**

Model # Description

TR-525I Rain Gauge, 6.06" collector, English

(Please specify for calibration of 0.2 mm/tip)

TR-525i (m)

TR-525USW

TR-525USW

TR-525USW (m)

TR-525M

Rain Gauge, 8.00" collector, 2MM

Rain Gauge, 8.00" collector, 2MM

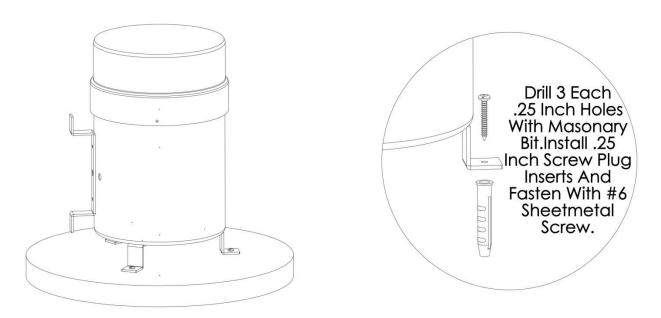
Rain Gauge, 8.00" collector, .2MM

Rain Gauge, 9.66" collector, Metric

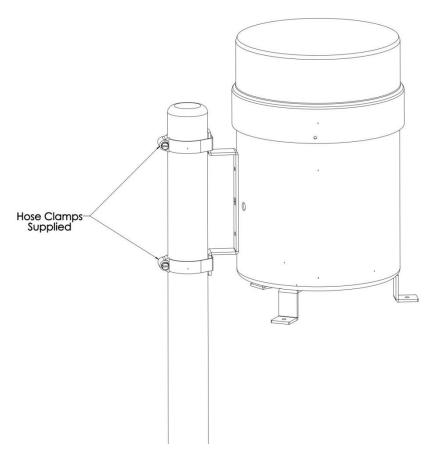
#### Optional Parts / Accessories

HOBO	Pendant Datalogger
MB-525	Pole Mounting Base
FC-500	Field Calibration Kit
BB-525	Bird Repellant
HT-525	Heater, 120 VAC

### **MODEL 525 MOUNTING EXAMPLES**



Model 525 Surface Mounted On a Masonary Block



**Model 525 Mast Mounted** 

#### **MODEL 525**

#### TIPPING BUCKET RAIN GAUGE TRANSMITTER

#### INSTALLATION INSTRUCTIONS

A clear and unobstructed mounting location is necessary to obtain accurate rainfall readings.

This transmitter is designed to be mounted two ways, by surface mounting or mast mounting. Surface mounting is recommended whenever possible. The transmitter housing must be mounted in a level position and in a location free from vibration. If mast mounted, make sure that the mast is properly guyed so that vibration in high winds is kept to a minimum.

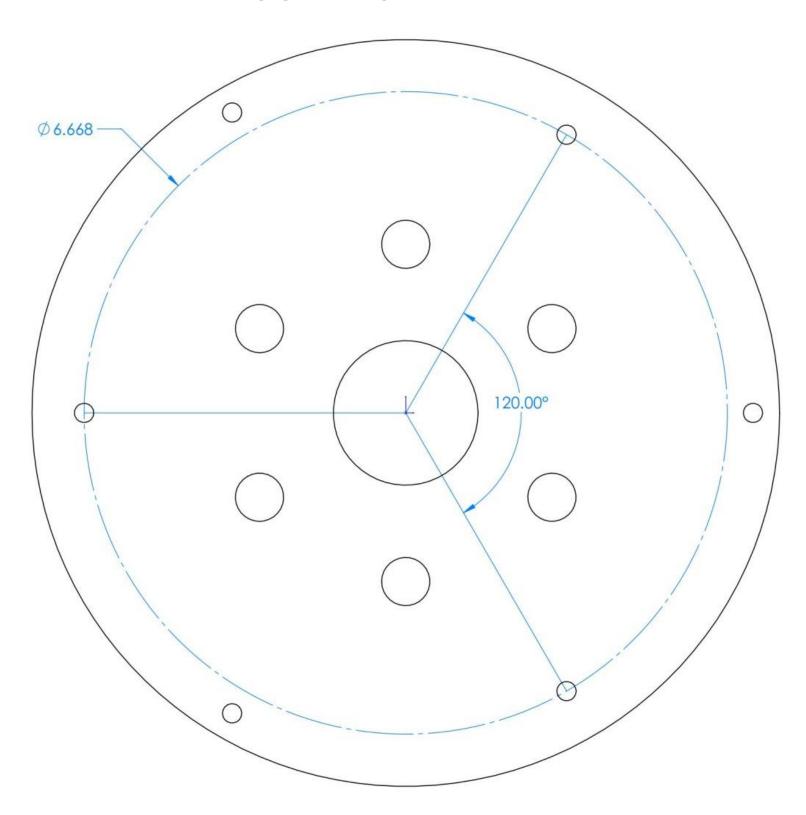
#### THE FOLLOWING IS VERY IMPORTANT:

After transmitter installation, remove the gold funnel and observe the black tipping bucket. It should not be held in a dead center position by the magnetic attraction of the bucket magnet and the magnetic switch. Press either end of the bucket down against the stop to be sure it is not centered.

The connecting cable between transmitter and indicator can be shortened or lengthened as required.

The funnel and tipping bucket mechanism should be cleaned periodically. An accumulation of dirt, bugs, etc. on the tipping bucket will adversely affect the calibration.

# **MOUNTING TEMPLATE**



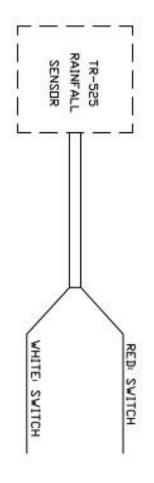
#### FIELD CALIBRATION

TR-525USW & TR-525I & TR-525M

Absolutely accurate calibration can be obtained only with laboratory equipment, but an approximate field check can easily be made. The tipping bucket mechanism is a simple and highly reliable device. The transmitter must be located in a clear area, away from trees, buildings, etc. To obtain accurate readings, the unit must be mounted level and free of foreign material, dust, or other debris. The transmitter must be calibrated with the rate of flow of water through the tipping bucket mechanism under control.

A field calibration kit, the FC-500, is available from Texas Electronics, Inc. It consists of 3 rods, container, black bag, nozzle, cleaning pin for nozzle and instructions.

# WIRING DIAGRAM



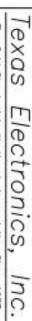
# TYPICAL DUTPUT:

TR-525i TR-525M TR-525USW TR-525S TR-4

0.01" tip (4.73mL) 0.10mm per tip (4.73mL) 0.01" per tip (8.23mL) 0.01" per tip (8.23mL) 0.01" per tip (1.95mL)

OPTIONAL DUTPUT

'R-5251(metric) 0.2mm per tip (3.72mL)



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#### **Warranty**

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This warranty is in lieu of all other warranties, expressed or implied. TEI shall not be liable for any special, indirect, incidental or consequential damages claimed in connection with any rescission of this agreement by purchaser.