



EQ08-B & EQ08-BE PYRANOMETER

(upgrade of EQ08 & EQ08-E First Class Pyranometer)

ISO Spectrally Flat Pyranometer of Class B for Solar GHI measurement



The Middleton EQ08-B is an affordable Pyranometer for measuring solar Global Horizontal Irradiance (GHI). It exceeds the International Organization for Standardization (ISO) specifications for a **Spectrally Flat Pyranometer of Class B**. Class B is the second highest accuracy Class. The EQ08-B incorporates a precision thermoelectric sensor that has low directional error and quick response time. The EQ08-BE version has an in-built amplifier to give a millivolt output for easy signal measurement.

| Performance Specification | ISO 9060:2018 ¹ Spectrally Flat Class B ² | EQ08-B & EQ08-BE |
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| Response time (to 95%) | < 20 sec | 7 ±1 sec |
| Zero off-set a) -200 W.m ⁻² thermal rad. | ± 15 W.m ⁻² | < 4 W.m ⁻² (unventilated) |
| Zero off-set b) 5 K.h ⁻¹ ambient temp. | ± 4 W.m ⁻² | < ± 2 W.m ⁻² |
| Zero off-set c) total response | ± 21 W.m ⁻² | < ± 7 W.m ⁻² |
| Non-stability (1 year interval) | ± 1.5 % | < ± 0.5 % |
| Non-linearity (100-1000 W.m ⁻²) | ±1% | < ± 0.5 % |
| Directional response (w.r.t. 1000 W.m ⁻²) | ± 20 W.m ⁻² | < ± 20 W.m ⁻² |
| Spectral error (280 to 4,000 nm) | ± 1 W.m ⁻² | $< \pm 0.4 \text{ W.m}^{-2}$ |
| Spectral selectivity (350 to 1,500 nm) ³ | < 3 % | < 3 % |
| Temperature response (-10 to +40 °C) | ±2% | < ± 1.5 % |
| Tilt response (0-90°) | ±2% | < ± 0.5 % |
| Additional signal processing errors | ± 5 W.m ⁻² | EQ08-B, not applicable EQ08-BE < ± 3 W.m ⁻² |

¹ ISO 9060:2018 Specification and classification of instruments for measuring hemispherical solar and direct solar radiation

² ISO 9060:2018 'Class B' roughly corresponds to superseded ISO 9060:1990 'First Class'

³ This requirement designates a Pyranometer as 'spectrally flat' in ISO 9060:2018



Black carbon nanotube (CNT) sensor surface has flat spectral response, excellent stability, and low directional error.

The EQ08-B has a passive microvolt output, and the EQ08-BE version has an in-built signal amplifier. Dual glass domes protect the sensor from air temperature fluctuations. User's Guide and Calibration Certificate included.

General Specification

| viewing angle | 2π steradians | |
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| irradiance | 0 – 4,000 W/m ² | |
| spectral range | 300 - 3000nm (nominal); 305 – 2,700nm (50% points) | |
| sensitivity (typical) | EQ08-B: 9.5 ± 1 μ V/W.m ⁻² ; EQ08-BE: 1.0 mV/W.m ⁻² | |
| calibration | outdoors to ISO 9847, traceable to WRR | |
| achievable uncertainty (minute totals) | U_{95} = 3% (RSS of instrument, calibration, measurement) | |
| operating temperature | -35 to +60°C | |
| operating humidity | 0-100% RH | |
| output impedance | 20 Ω (EQ08-B); 65 Ω (EQ08-BE) | |
| measurement input impedance | >1 MΩ | |
| power requirement (EQ08-BE only) | 5 to15 VDC, 6mA | |
| bubble level resolution | 0.1° | |
| level adjustment | one fixed foot, two adjustable feet | |
| construction | anodised marine-grade aluminium & stainless steel | |
| desiccant | orange silica gel (non-toxic) | |
| IP rating | sealed to IP67 | |
| mounting method | central M10 hole in base (mounting fastener included) | |
| output lead | 6m, with connector at instrument end | |
| net weight | 0.8Kg (excluding lead) | |
| shipping size & weight | 230 x 230 x 180mm, 2Kg | |
| warranty | 2 years (standard) / 5 years (conditional) | |

Available Options

- temperature output (EQ08-B only), YSI 44031 thermistor (10KΩ @ 25°C)
- additional output lead length, up to 20m
- expanded operating temperature, -40 to +80°C
- EV2-H Ventilator / Heater Unit

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