

# MicroRider-1000

Modular, Self-contained Turbulence Profiler



## DESCRIPTION

The **MicroRider** is a versatile instrument package for turbulence measurements. It can be easily installed on a variety of platforms, such as AUV, ROV, CTD rosettes, ocean gliders, and floats. The integrated data logger makes the instrument independent from external hardware while allowing high-speed sampling of all sensors to resolve turbulent time scales.

The **MicroRider** carries a full suite of standard turbulence sensors and supports simultaneous logging of external instrument packages, such as acoustic Doppler velocimeters, CTDs, etc. The **MicroRider** also features an integrated, fast-response inertial navigation unit that is used for removing contamination of platform motion and vibrations from the measured turbulence and velocity signals.



### Supply (by platform)

- 9 – 18 VDC, ~1W
- Trigger signal (data on/off)

### inputs (options)

- 0 – 5 V analog
- Frequency input (e.g.SBE3)

### Outputs (by platform)

- USB data read-out
- RS-232 for “snippet” data

### Turbulence Sensors

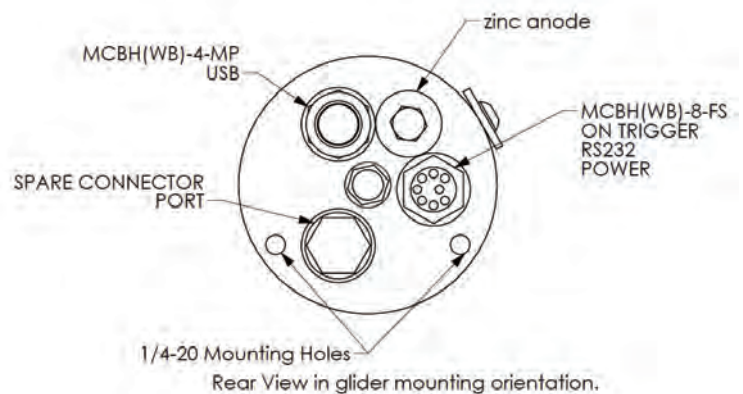
- Shear probes (2x)
- Fast thermistors (1x)
- Micro conductivity (1x option)

### Supporting Sensors

- Pressure
- Tilt
- Vibration (2x)
- Gyro sensors

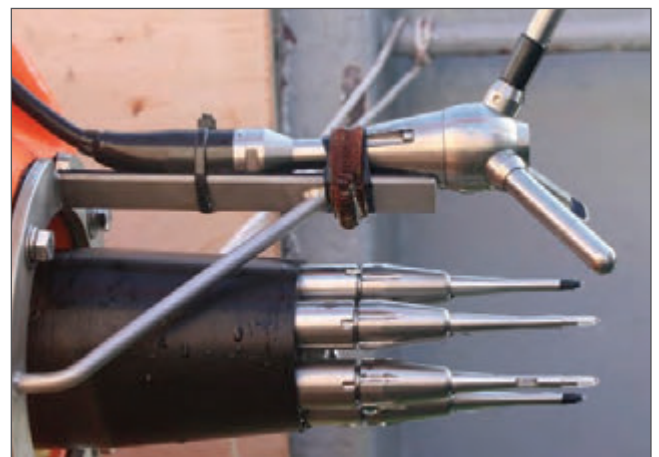
### Data Recording

- Up to 64GB memory



## CONFIGURATION

|                                    |  |
|------------------------------------|--|
| <b>Standard Turbulence Sensors</b> | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>□ Velocity shear probes</li> <li>□ Fast response thermistors</li> <li>□ Micro conductivity probe</li> </ul>                           |
| <b>Supporting Sensors</b>          | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>□ High-resolution pressure</li> <li>□ High-resolution acceleration</li> <li>□ Tilt</li> <li>□ Six-degree-of-freedom motion</li> </ul> |
| <b>External Instrument Support</b> | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>□ ADV</li> <li>□ CTD</li> <li>□ Bio-optical</li> </ul>  |



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## GENERAL SPECIFICATIONS

|  |   |                      |   |
|--|---|----------------------|---|
| <b>Pressure Rating</b>                             | 1000 dbar (up to 6,000 dbar available)  | <b>Sampling Rate</b> | Nominal 512 Hz for turbulence sensors, 64 Hz for slow-response sensors. User configurable via setup file. |
| <b>Analog input (optional)</b>                     | -2.5V ... +2.5V or 0 ... + 5VDC   | <b>Weight</b>        | ~5.5 kg in air<br>~ 0 kg in water   |
| <b>Frequency input (optional)</b>                  | for SBE3/SBE4 sensors   | <b>Length</b>        | 0.85 m (pressure case)<br>1.02 m (with probes)  |
| <b>Power</b>                                       | 9 – 18 VDC supply.<br>Consumption: ~ 1W operating,<br>10 <sup>-5</sup> W sleep.                             |                      |   |
| <b>Signals provided (depends on configuration)</b> | Turbulence Shear (2x), T (2x), T+dT/dt (2x), C (2x), C+dC/dt (2x), P, P+dP/dt, Acceleration (2x), Tilt (2x) |                      |   |

## SPECIFICATIONS

|  | Range   | Accuracy  | Resolution   | Time Response   |
|--|---|---|--|---|
| <b>Velocity Shear</b>                    | $3 \times 10^{-10} - 10^{-4} \text{ W kg}^{-1}$ | 5%  | $2.5 \times 10^{-3} \text{ s}^{-1}$                                    |   |
| <b>Water temperature (SBE 3F)*</b>       | -5 – 35 °C                                      | $1 \times 10^{-3} \text{ °C}$<br>(NIST traceable) | $1 \times 10^{-4} \text{ °C}$  | 0.070 s ± 0.010   |
| <b>Micro Temperature (FP07)</b>          | 5 – 35 °C                                       | N/A   | $1 \times 10^{-5} \text{ °C}$<br>(using signal + derivative technique) | 0.007 s ± 0.003   |
| <b>Conductivity (SBE 4C)*</b>            | 0 – 7 S/m                                       | 0.0003 S/m  | 0.00004 S/m at 24 Hz   | 0.060 seconds (pumped)  |
| <b>Pressure (Keller)</b>                 | 0 – 1000 dbar                                   | 0.1 %   | 0.0005 dbar<br>(using signal + derivative technique)                   |   |
| <b>Micro Conductivity (SBE7)*</b>        | 0 – 7 S/m                                       | N/A   | ~ 5 mm   | infinite  |
| <b>Tilt Sensor</b>                       | Dual axis ± 90°                                 | 0.1°  | 0.025°   |   |
| <b>Vibration Sensors (Piezo-ceramic)</b> | ±2 g  | uncalibrated / unspecified                        | $10^{-5} \text{ g (1 – 20 Hz)}$  | <b>Stability/Linearity</b><br>±5%<br><b>Frequency response</b><br>0.1– 300 Hz |
|  | # of Channels                                   |   | Resolution   | Linearity   |
| <b>Analog/Digital Converter</b>          | 15 + 1 (ground)                                 |   | 16 bits (true)   | 15 ppm  |

\* optional

