

# ACCUSTATION VTS Series

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# **Digital Airflow Measurement Station**



# Innovative features of the AccuStation VTS Series!

- Digital Airflow Sensing
- Modular Design
- Intuitive User Interface
- Stable Drift Free
- Resistant to Contamination
- Not Affected by Humidity
- Not Affected by Temperature
- Not affected by Altitude
- Linear Over Entire Range
- Low Power Requirements
- Universal Voltage and Current Output
- Native BACnet<sup>®</sup> MS/TP Optional



The Accutrol AccuStation<sup>®</sup> Model VTS is designed for use when standard airflow sensing is difficult to apply. This product is also ideal for Outside Airflow measurement for smaller ducted AHU's. The VTS utilizes digital VorTek airflow sensing and laminarizes the airflow profile for precise airflow measurement.

# Features & Benefits

The Accutrol AccuStation Model VTS is an ISO 9001:2015 certified, low pressure drop airflow station designed for use in very tight spaces when standard airflow sensing is difficult to apply.

#### Exceptionally Low Pressure Drop

The Accutrol VTS's award winning design incorporates a streamlined compression section and a carefully designed static regain section. These features provide lower pressure drop, lower noise level and better flow measurement conditions than any other available technology.

#### **True Airflow Measurement**

The integral high accuracy vortex airflow sensing provides high turndown while maintaining accuracies of 5% of reading over the flow range, ensuring precise airflow measurement.

#### No Straight Run Requirements

There are no straight duct runs required before or after the VTS, making application very simple. The air compression in the VTS provides laminar airflow throughout the airflow range providing repeatable airflow measurement regardless of inlet or outlet conditions.

#### Simple Layout and Installation

All parts of the VTS are accessible from the front of the airflow station simplifying installation requirements. In addition, the VTS can be mounted at any angle and rotated 360°.

#### Intuitive Insight Software

The VTS also incorporates a simple and intuitive graphical user interface, which is provided free of charge.

#### BACnet<sup>®</sup> Option

The optional BACnet<sup>®</sup> MS/TP allows direct communication to the Building Automation System (BAS) where desired.

#### **Remote Airflow Monitor Option**

The VTS is available with an optional airflow monitor that can be mounted remotely, which displays actual measured airflow.



# **Digital Airflow Sensing**

Accutrol's vortex shedding airflow measuring device is the **only** digital airflow sensing device on the HVAC market. By utilizing vortex shedding technology, the shedder mounted in the air stream creates pressure pulses, which are converted to an electronic frequency. This electronic frequency is related to airflow velocity in a linear manner. That is why the VTS is able to maintain high accuracy over a very large range.



Pressure Pulses Converted to Electronic Frequency

# Stable – Drift Free

One of the many advantages of vortex shedding is that the sensing is not amplitude based and cannot drift over time. Therefore, no recalibration is required – ever.



Other airflow sensors rely on an amplitude measurement device, which is susceptible to inaccuracies and drift.

- Pitot and orifice sensors rely on differential pressure transmitters, which require periodic calibration.
- Thermal airflow sensors use thermistors, which will drift over time and must be matched to the electronics.

## Linear Airflow Measurement



Our vortex shedding design is the **only** airflow measurement technology that is linear. The inherent physics of vortex shedding is a linear relationship between frequency and air velocity. That means that as

air velocity changes, the frequency of the pulses changes in a linear manner. This eliminates the need for complicated curve matching associated with thermal devices.

## **Contamination Resistant**

Vortex sensors are contamination resistant. Other airflow measurement technologies, such as thermal dispersion, are severely affected by contaminants in the air stream. As a thermistor gets coated with dust or dirt, the thermal transfer is impacted, seriously affecting the accuracy of the device.

### Unaffected by Humidity, Temperature, Altitude

Vortex shedding is also unaffected by changes in air density and humidity, which do affect thermal airflow measurement systems.



a Volcanic Island

#### How Vortex Sensing Works

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The vortex shedding phenomena can be seen all around us in everyday life. Swirling vortices, or eddy currents, are generated whenever air flows around an obstruction in its path. Common examples are the eddy currents that develop behind rocks in a stream or the fluttering of a flag behind a flagpole. The satellite photo (left) shows clouds flowing around a volcanic island. As clouds pass the mountains, the vortices are created on a grand scale.

Accutrol's sensors simply utilize this same vortex shedding phenomena to measure the velocity of the air on a smaller scale. As airflow passes around the trapezoidal shedder, it creates alternating low pressure vortices. Sensing ports on opposite sides of the shedder relay these pressure pulses to frequency detectors, which then output a digital signal to the electronics. The electronics subsequently convert these digital pulses to analog output signals.



# **Operating Pressure**

| Size                  | Eng Units | Airflow Range |      |      |           |               |      |       |         |
|-----------------------|-----------|---------------|------|------|-----------|---------------|------|-------|---------|
| (mm)                  |           | Minimum       |      |      | Maximum D | esign Airflov | v    |       | Maximum |
| 6"<br>(152)           | CFM       | 30            | 99   | 143  | 174       | 206           | 230  | 254   | 315     |
|                       | L/S       | 14            | 47   | 67   | 82        | 97            | 108  | 120   | 149     |
|                       | CMH       | 51            | 168  | 243  | 296       | 350           | 391  | 432   | 535     |
| 8"<br>(203)           | CFM       | 80            | 252  | 367  | 447       | 528           | 589  | 650   | 800     |
|                       | L/S       | 38            | 119  | 173  | 211       | 249           | 278  | 307   | 378     |
|                       | CMH       | 136           | 428  | 624  | 760       | 897           | 1000 | 1104  | 1359    |
| 10"<br>(254)          | CFM       | 120           | 428  | 606  | 733       | 860           | 958  | 1056  | 1300    |
|                       | L/S       | 57            | 202  | 286  | 346       | 406           | 452  | 498   | 614     |
|                       | CMH       | 204           | 727  | 1030 | 1245      | 1461          | 1627 | 1794  | 2209    |
| 2"<br>(305)           | CFM       | 180           | 591  | 840  | 1016      | 1192          | 1326 | 1461  | 1790    |
|                       | L/S       | 85            | 279  | 396  | 479       | 563           | 626  | 690   | 845     |
|                       | CMH       | 306           | 1004 | 1427 | 1726      | 2025          | 2253 | 2482  | 3041    |
| 14"<br>(356)          | CFM       | 250           | 979  | 1364 | 1624      | 1884          | 2079 | 2275  | 2750    |
|                       | L/S       | 118           | 462  | 644  | 766       | 889           | 981  | 1074  | 1298    |
|                       | CMH       | 425           | 1663 | 2317 | 2759      | 3201          | 3533 | 3865  | 4672    |
| 2"× 8"<br>(305×457)   | CFM       | 260           | 1003 | 1437 | 1761      | 2086          | 2341 | 2596  | 3200    |
|                       | L/S       | 123           | 473  | 678  | 831       | 984           | 1104 | 1225  | 1510    |
|                       | CMH       | 442           | 1704 | 2441 | 2992      | 3544          | 3977 | 4411  | 5437    |
| 2"x24"<br>(305x610)   | CFM       | 350           | 1261 | 1812 | 2213      | 2614          | 2925 | 3237  | 4000    |
|                       | L/S       | 165           | 595  | 855  | 1044      | 1234          | 1381 | 1528  | 1888    |
|                       | CMH       | 595           | 2142 | 3079 | 3760      | 4441          | 4970 | 5500  | 6796    |
| 2"x36"<br>(305x9 5)   | CFM       | 520           | 2005 | 2875 | 3523      | 4172          | 4681 | 5191  | 6400    |
|                       | L/S       | 245           | 946  | 1357 | 1663      | 1969          | 2209 | 2450  | 3020    |
|                       | CMH       | 883           | 3407 | 4885 | 5986      | 7088          | 7954 | 8820  | 10874   |
| 2"x48"<br>(305x1220)  | CFM       | 700           | 2522 | 3625 | 4426      | 5228          | 5850 | 6473  | 8000    |
|                       | L/S       | 330           | 1190 | 1711 | 2089      | 2467          | 2761 | 3055  | 3776    |
|                       | CMH       | 1189          | 4285 | 6159 | 7520      | 8882          | 9940 | 10998 | 13592   |
| Operating<br>Pressure | "W.C.     | < 0.0         | 0.05 | 0.1  | 0.15      | 0.2           | 0.25 | 0.3   | 0.45    |
|                       | Pa        | < 2.5         | 12.5 | 25   | 37.5      | 50            | 62.5 | 75    | 112.5   |

 $\ast\,$  Minimum operating pressure when tested in accordance with ANSI/ASHRAE 130-2008

# Specifications

| TRANSMITTER ELECTRICA  | AL   | PERFORMANCE                                |  |  |  |  |
|--|--|--|--|--|--|--|
| Input Power  | 24VAC ±20% 50/60Hz, 4VA max.<br>(8.5VA max with remote monitor)<br>24VDC ±10% 1 5m W max   | Accuracy                                   | $\pm 5\%$ of reading or 5 CFM (2 L/S; 8 CMH), whichever is greater |  |  |  |
|  | (3.5 W max with remote display)  | ENVIRONMENTAL                              |  |  |  |  |
| Output Signal Software configurable<br>0-20mA, 4-20mA, 0-10v, 2-10v, 0-5v or 1-5v<br>12-bit resolution<br>Capable of driving IK-ohm load |  | <b>Temperature</b><br>Operating<br>Storage | -20° to 165° F (-29° to 74° C)<br>-40° to 165° F (-40° to 74° C)   |  |  |  |
| Electromagnetic  | EMC Directive 2004/108/EC  | Humidity                                   | U% to 90% non-condensing   |  |  |  |
| Compatibility  | Low Voltage Directive 2004/108/EEC   | MATERIALS OF CONSTRUCTION                  |  |  |  |  |
| Product Safety   | EN61326-1-2006<br>FCC Part 15<br>IEC/EN/UL/CSA 61010:2001  | VTS Housing                                | Aluminum (16 Gauge)<br>304SS (20 Gauge)<br>316SS (20 Gauge)        |  |  |  |
| CAN/CSA-C22.2 No. 61010-1  |  | Airflow Sensors                            | Polycarbonate plastic, UL94-VO                                     |  |  |  |
| ELECTRICAL (COM & CON  | FIGURATION)  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Network Com Port I   | EIA 485 2-wire BACnet MS/TP (optional)<br>Galvanically isolated<br>Data Rates 9600, 19200, 38400, 57600, 76800<br>and 115200<br>Software provided for setting the MAC address<br>¼ Unit load receiver input impedance<br>Network bias and EOL termination not provided<br>with the transmitter |  |  |  |  |  |

Configuration Port USB 2.0, Isolated, "C" type connector

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# VTS AccuStation<sup>®</sup> Ordering Guide



# VTM Remote Airflow Monitor (sold separately)



The VTS is available with an optional airflow monitor that can be mounted remotely from the transmitter. The monitor is connected to the VTS with factory cable and can be located up to 100' away. The VTM includes a USB connection to enable the operator to use the Insight User Interface without accessing the transmitter.

# VTM Remote Airflow Monitor Ordering Guide



Your representative is:

