

WSO100

Ultrasonic Wind / Weather Station

User's Manual

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1 Introduction

Congratulations on your purchase of the Maretron WSO100 Ultrasonic Wind / Weather Station. Maretron has designed and built your WSO100 to the highest standards for years of reliable, dependable, and accurate service.

The Maretron WSO100 is designed to operate within the harsh demands of the marine environment. However, no piece of marine electronic equipment can function properly unless installed and maintained in the correct manner. Please read carefully and follow these instructions for installation and usage of the Maretron WSO100 in order to ensure optimal performance.

1.1 Firmware Revision

This manual corresponds to WSO100 firmware revision 1.0.3 .

1.2 WSO100 Features

The Maretron WSO100 has the following features.

- NMEA 2000® Interface
- Ultrasonic Wind Sensor
- Relative Humidity Sensor
- Barometric Pressure Sensor
- Temperature Sensor
- Waterproof Enclosure and Cable System

2 Installation

2.1 Unpacking the Box

When unpacking the box containing the Maretron WSO100, you should find the following items:

- 1 - WSO100 Ultrasonic Wind/Weather Station
- 1 - Pole Mount Base
- 3 - Mounting Screws and Lock Washers
- 1 - WSO100 User's Manual
- 1 - Warranty Registration Card

If any of these items are missing or damaged, please contact Maretron.

2.2 Choosing a Mounting Location

The selection of a suitable mounting location is important for the optimal performance of the Maretron WSO100. The mounting location and orientation of the WSO100 should be:

1. *Level with the earth's horizontal plane* – This gives the WSO100 wind / weather sensor the best accuracy of wind speed and direction over the widest range of heel angles.

- High Enough to have a clear view of the sky to the horizon in all directions unblocked by sails or boat structures* – The WSO100 provides the best readings when wind through it is unimpeded by sails or structures on the boat.

2.3 Mounting the WSO100

The Maretron WSO100 can be mounted on top of a 1" 14 threads per inch standard marine pole mount (Section 2.3.1).

2.3.1 Mounting the WSO100 to a Standard Marine Pole Mount

Screw the included WSO100 mounting bracket to the standard marine pole mount. If you do not have a DSM200 or other display unit capable of configuring installation offset in the WSO100, ensure that the pole mount is oriented as follows. The pole mount base has three small holes for mounting screws and one larger hole for the humidity sensor. Ensure that the small (mounting screw) hole which is nearest the larger (humidity sensor) hole is oriented such that it faces directly forward in the vessel. If you do have a DSM200 or other display unit capable of configuring installation offset in the WSO100, you may mount the sensor in any orientation and adjust for it by configuring the installation offset appropriately (please refer to the display user's manual for details).

Route the NMEA 2000[®] cable through the standard marine pole mount and the pole mount base and connect it to the WSO100 unit (see Section 2.4 below). Finally, attach the WSO100 to the pole mount base using the included brass mounting screws and lock washers as shown in Figure 1.

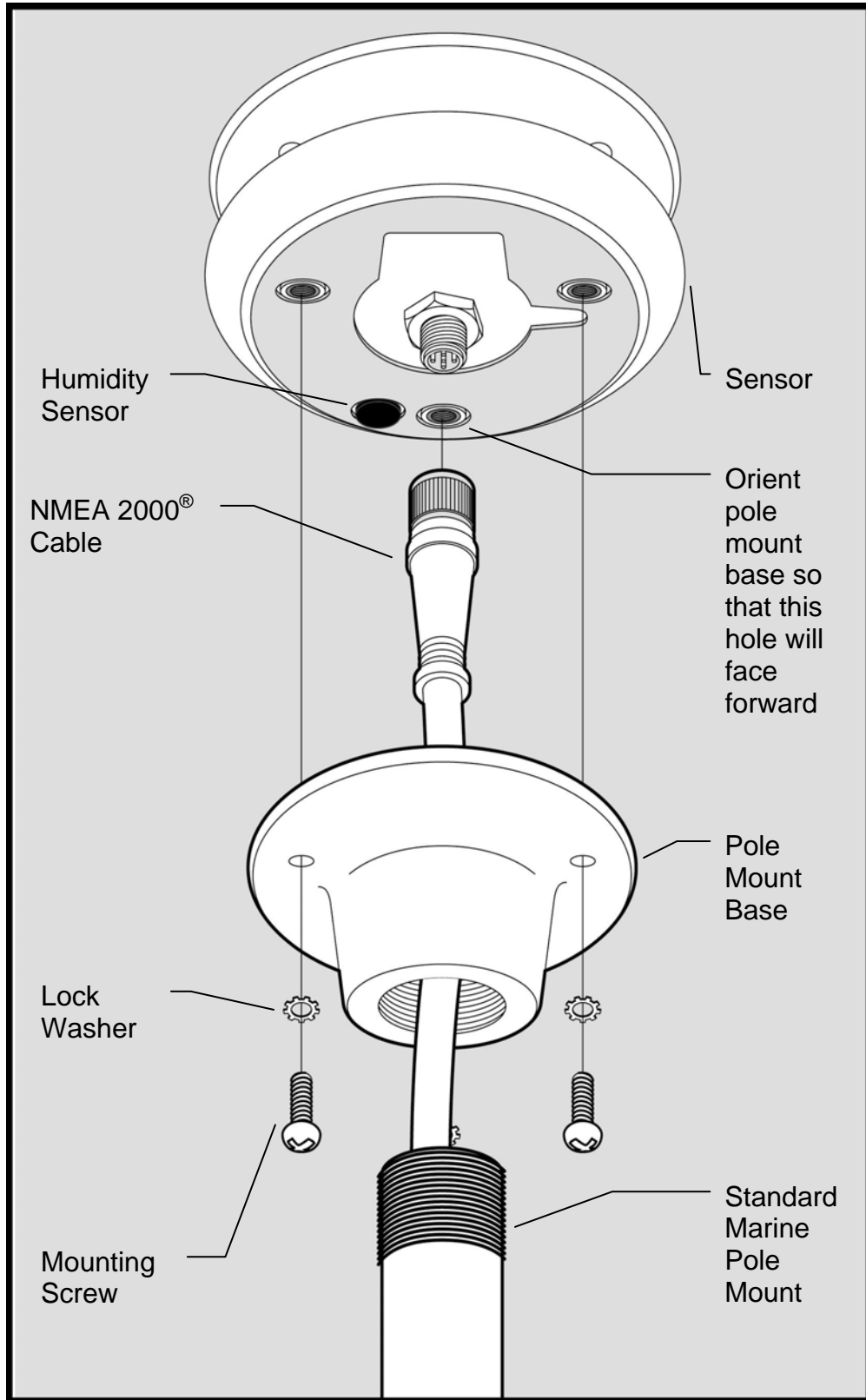


Figure 1 – Mounting the WSO100 to a Standard Marine Pole Mount

2.4 Connecting the WSO100

The Maretron WSO100 provides a connection to an NMEA 2000[®] interface through a connector that can be found on the bottom of the device (see Figure 2).



Figure 2 – WSO100 Interface Connector

The NMEA 2000[®] connector is a five pin male connector (see Figure 3). You connect the WSO100 to an NMEA 2000[®] network using a Maretron NMEA 2000[®] cable (or compatible cable) by connecting the female end of the cable to the WSO100 (note the key on the male connector and keyway on the female connector). Be sure the cable is connected securely and that the collar on the cable connector is tightened firmly. Connect the other end of the cable (male) to the NMEA 2000[®] network in the same manner. The WSO100 is designed such that you can plug or unplug it from an NMEA 2000[®] network while the power to the network is connected or disconnected. Please follow recommended practices for installing NMEA 2000[®] network products.

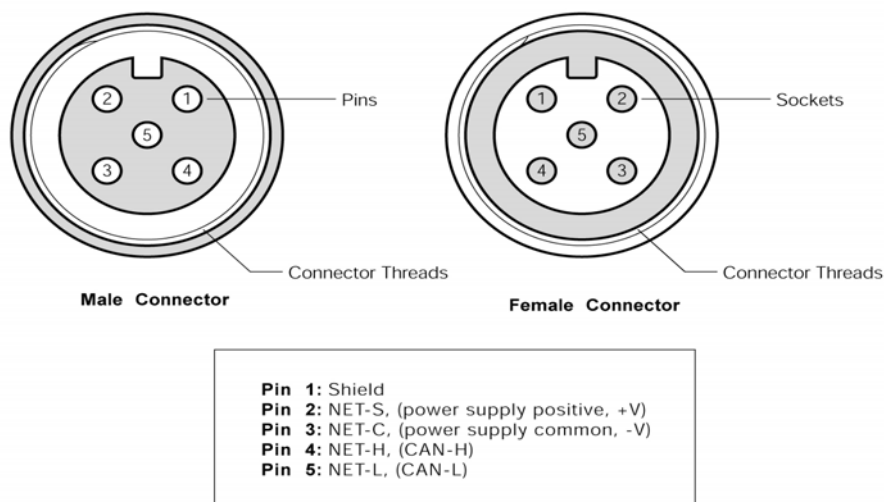


Figure 3 – NMEA 2000[®] Connector Face Views

2.4.1 Checking Connections

Once the NMEA 2000® connection to the Maretron WSO100 has been completed, check to see that wind speed information is being properly transmitted by observing an appropriate display. Refer to Section 5, “Troubleshooting”, if no heading information appears.

3 Operation

As shipped from the factory, the WSO100 automatically provides apparent wind direction, apparent wind speed, outside air temperature, relative humidity, and barometric pressure and requires no user configuration. However, some of the WSO100 parameters are user configurable as described below:

- **Installation Offset** – As shipped from the factory, the WSO100 will read 0° apparent wind direction when the wind blows into the sensor directly from the direction of the post nearest the black humidity sensor that protrudes from the bottom of the sensor. If the WSO100 is mounted with this post facing directly towards the bow of the boat, no adjustment is necessary; however, if the sensor is mounted in any other orientation, the installation offset can be used to compensate the apparent wind direction reading such that it will read 0° when the apparent wind is blowing directly into the bow of the vessel.
- **Wind Speed Damping Period** – As shipped from the factory, the WSO100 uses a damping period of 1.5 seconds to filter short-term variations in wind speed and direction and provide a more stable, usable output. This damping period can be changed by the user to increase or decrease the amount of filtering.
- **Periodic Rate of Transmission** – As shipped from the factory, the WSO100 transmits PGNs at a periodic rate. Alternatively, a PGN can be disabled by programming its periodic rate to zero.

These parameters may be configured using a Maretron instrumentation display, such as the Maretron DSM200, or other NMEA 2000® chartplotters or instrumentation displays with WSO100 configuration capability. Please refer to your chartplotter/display manual for details.

Users with direct access to the NMEA 2000® interface may configure these parameters directly through the NMEA 2000® interface. Please refer to Appendix A for a description of the NMEA 2000® messages used to configure these parameters.

3.1 Ultrasonic Wind Speed Sensing

The wind speed measurement portion of the WSO100 consists of three ultrasonic transducers spaced equally around a horizontally-aligned circle.

The wind speed is measured by measuring the time of flight of an ultrasonic sound pulse generated by one sensor and received by the other two sensors. Each of the three sensors takes a turn at being the transmitter, which the remaining two sensors receive the pulse. Wind blowing in the direction of flight of a pulse increases the speed of the pulse by the amount of the wind speed. Measuring the time of flight in both directions between a given pair of

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transducers allows the speed of sound to be cancelled out of the calculation, making the wind speed computation independent of air temperature and relative humidity.

The ultrasonic transducers are robust, yet sensitive instruments. The transducers themselves must be kept free of any coating, such as paint. The WSO100 unit itself, especially the area between the transducers, must be kept clean and free of debris for maximum wind speed and direction accuracy.

4 Maintenance

Regular maintenance is important to ensure continued proper operation of the Maretron WSO100. Perform the following tasks periodically:

- Clean the unit with a soft cloth. Do not use chemical cleaners as they may remove paint or markings or may corrode the WSO100 enclosure or seals. Any spider webs, etc. that accumulate inside the open portion of the WSO100 may be cleaned out with a water spray.
- Ensure that the unit is mounted securely and cannot be moved relative to the mounting surface. If the unit is loose, tighten the mounting screws.
- Check the security of the cable connected to the NMEA 2000[®] interface and tighten if necessary.

5 Troubleshooting

If you notice unexpected operation of the Maretron WSO100, follow the troubleshooting procedures in this section to remedy simple problems.

Symptom	Troubleshooting Procedure
No data output	Check the connections to the NMEA 2000 [®] connector and tighten if necessary Ensure that power is supplied to the connected NMEA 2000 [®] cable
Incorrect wind direction or speed	Ensure that the flow of wind into the WSO100 is not blocked by surrounding structures. Ensure that the flow of wind through the WSO100 is unimpeded and that the unit is free of debris.

If these steps do not solve your problem, please contact Maretron Technical Support (refer to Section 7 for contact information).

Warning: There are no user-serviceable components inside the Maretron WSO100. Opening the WSO100 will expose the sensitive electronic components to adverse environmental

conditions that may render the unit inoperative. Please do not open the WSO100, as this will automatically void the warranty. If service is required, please return the unit to an authorized Maretron service location.

6 Technical Specifications

Specifications

Parameter	Value	Comment
Wind Speed Range	0.5 to 99.5 knots (1 to 185 kph)	
Wind Speed Resolution	0.1 knot (0.19 kph)	
Wind Speed Accuracy	± 2%	Tilt ± 30° from vertical
Wind Direction Accuracy	± 3°	Tilt ± 30° from vertical
Temperature Range	-25° to 55° C	
Temperature Accuracy	±1° C	
Relative Humidity Range	0-99% RH	
Relative Humidity Resolution	1% RH	
Relative Humidity Accuracy	± 3% RH ± 5% RH	0% to 80% RH 80% to 99% RH
Barometric Pressure Range	880 to 1080 mb (26 to 32" Hg)	
Barometric Pressure Resolution	±0.7 mb (±0.02" Hg)	
Barometric Pressure Accuracy	±3.4 mb (±0.1" Hg)	

Certifications

Parameter	Comment
NMEA 2000	Level A
Maritime Navigation and Radiocommunication Equipment & Systems	Tested to IEC 60945
FCC and CE Mark	Electromagnetic Compatibility

NMEA 2000® Parameter Group Numbers (PGNs) - See Appendix A for Details

Description	PGN #	PGN Name	Default Rate
Periodic Data PGNs	130306	Wind Data	10 Times/Second
	128311	Environmental Parameters	2 Times/Second
Response to Requested PGNs	126464	PGN List (Transmit and Receive)	N/A
	126996	Product Information	N/A
	126998	Configuration Information	N/A
Protocol PGNs	059392	ISO Acknowledge	N/A
	059904	ISO Request	N/A
	060416	ISO Transport Protocol, Connection Management	N/A
	060160	ISO Transport Protocol, Data Transfer	N/A
	060928	ISO Address Claim	N/A
	065240	ISO Address Command	N/A
	126206	NMEA Complex Request/Command/Ack.	N/A
Maretron Proprietary PGNs	126720	Configuration	N/A

Electrical

Parameter	Value	Comment
Operating Voltage	9 to 16 Volts	DC Voltage
Power Consumption	<250mA	Average Current Drain
Load Equivalence Number (LEN)	5	NMEA 2000 [®] Spec. (1LEN = 50 mA)
Reverse Battery Protection	Yes	Indefinitely
Load Dump Protection	Yes	Energy Rated per SAE J1113

Mechanical

Parameter	Value	Comment
Size	4.25" Diameter x 3.45" Tall	Including Mounting Bracket
Weight	6 oz.	Including Mounting Bracket
Mounting	Pole	Fits 1"-14 Standard Marine Mount

Environmental

Parameter	Value
IEC 60954 Classification	Exposed
Degree of Protection	IP67
Operating Temperature	-25°C to 55°C
Storage Temperature	-40°C to 70°C
Relative Humidity	93%RH @40° per IEC60945-8.2
Vibration	2-13.2Hz @ ±1mm, 13.2-100Hz @ 7m/s ² per IEC 60945-8.7
Rain and Spray	12.5mm Nozzle @ 100liters/min from 3m for 30min per IEC 60945-8.8
Solar Radiation	Ultraviolet B, A, Visible, and Infrared per IEC 60945-8.10
Corrosion (Salt Mist)	4 times 7days @ 40°C, 95%RH after 2 hour Salt Spray Per IEC 60945-8.12
Electromagnet Emission	Conducted and Radiated Emission per IEC 60945-9
Electromagnetic Immunity	Conducted, Radiated, Supply, and ESD per IEC 60945-10
Safety Precautions	Dangerous Voltage, Electromagnetic Radio Frequency per IEC 60945-12

7 Technical Support

If you require technical support for Maretron products, you can reach us in one of the following ways:

Telephone: 1-866-550-9100
Fax: 1-602-861-1777
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World Wide Web: <http://www.maretron.com>
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8 Maretron (2 Year) Limited Warranty

Maretron warrants the WSO100 to be free from defects in materials and workmanship for **two (2) years** from the date of original purchase. If within the applicable period any such products shall be proved to Maretron's satisfaction to fail to meet the above limited warranty, such products shall be repaired or replaced at Maretron's option. Purchaser's exclusive remedy and Maretron's sole obligation hereunder, provided product is returned pursuant to the return requirements below, shall be limited to the repair or replacement, at Maretron's option, of any product not meeting the above limited warranty and which is returned to Maretron; or if Maretron is unable to deliver a replacement that is free from defects in materials or workmanship, Purchaser's payment for such product will be refunded. Maretron assumes no liability whatsoever for expenses of removing any defective product or part or for installing the repaired product or part or a replacement therefore or for any loss or damage to equipment in connection with which Maretron's products or parts shall be used. With respect to products not manufactured by Maretron, Maretron's warranty obligation shall in all respects conform to and be limited to the warranty actually extended to Maretron by its supplier. The foregoing warranties shall not apply with respect to products subjected to negligence, misuse, misapplication, accident, damages by circumstances beyond Maretron's control, to improper installation, operation, maintenance, or storage, or to other than normal use or service.

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Warranty Return Procedure:

To apply for warranty claims, contact Maretron or one of its dealers to describe the problem and determine the appropriate course of action. If a return is necessary, place the product in its original packaging together with proof of purchase and send to an Authorized Maretron Service Location. You are responsible for all shipping and insurance charges. Maretron will return the replaced or repaired product with all shipping and handling prepaid except for requests requiring expedited shipping (i.e. overnight shipments). Failure to follow this warranty return procedure could result in the product's warranty becoming null and void.

Maretron reserves the right to modify or replace, at its sole discretion, without prior notification, the warranty listed above. To obtain a copy of the then current warranty policy, please go to the following web page:

<http://www.maretron.com/company/warranty.php>

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Appendix A – NMEA 2000® Interfacing

WSO100 NMEA 2000® Periodic Data Transmitted PGNs

PGN 130306 – Wind Data

The WSO100 uses this PGN to provide a regular transmission of apparent wind speed and direction data. The factory default for periodic transmission rate is ten times per second. The transmission of this PGN can be disabled (see PGN 126208 – NMEA Request Group Function – Transmission Periodic Rate).

- Field 1: SID – The sequence identifier field is used to tie related PGNs together. For example, the WSO100 will transmit identical SIDs for 130306 (Wind Data) and 130311 (Environmental Parameters) to indicate that the readings are linked together (i.e., the data from each PGN was taken at the same time although they are reported at slightly different times).
- 2: Wind Speed – This field is used to indicate the wind speed in units of 10mm/second.
 - 3: Wind Direction – This field is used to indicate the wind direction in units of 0.0001 radians/second.
 - 4: Wind Reference – This field is set to a value of 0x02 to indicate that the wind reading is an apparent wind speed and direction.
 - 5: Reserved (21 bits) – This field is reserved by NMEA; therefore, this field always contains a value of 0x1FFFFFF (the WSO100 sets all reserved bits to a logic 1)

PGN 130311 – Environmental Parameters

The WSO100 uses this PGN to provide a regular transmission of outside temperature, relative humidity, and atmospheric pressure. The factory default for periodic transmission rate is twice per second. The transmission of this PGN can be disabled (see PGN 126208 – NMEA Request Group Function – Transmission Periodic Rate).

- Field 1: SID – The sequence identifier field is used to tie related PGNs together. For example, the WSO100 will transmit identical SIDs for 130306 (Wind Data) and 130311 (Environmental Parameters) to indicate that the readings are linked together (i.e., the data from each PGN was taken at the same time although they are reported at slightly different times).
- 2: Temperature Instance – The WSO100 sets this field to a value of 0x01 to indicate that the temperature reading is a reading of outside temperature.
 - 3: Humidity Instance – The WSO100 sets this field to a value of 0x01 to indicate that the relative humidity reading is a reading of outside humidity.
 - 4: Temperature – This field is used to indicate the outside air temperature in units of 0.01°K.
 - 5: Humidity – This field is used to indicate the relative humidity in units of 0.004%.
 - 6: Atmospheric Pressure – This field is used to indicate the barometric pressure in units of 100 Pa.