



METER

TEROS 21

SOIL WATER POTENTIAL SENSOR



TEROS 21 QUICK START

Preinstallation

Inspect that TEROS 21 components are intact. An auger or shovel and casing to protect the cable will be needed for installation. When using the sensors in lightning-prone areas, follow the directions for providing protection for the sensors in the application note [Lightning surge and grounding practices](#).

Set up and test the system (sensors and data loggers) in a lab or office. Ensure the data loggers are using up-to-date software.

Read the *TEROS 21 User Manual* at www.metergroup.com/teros21-support/. All products have a 30-day satisfaction guarantee.

What is water potential?

Water potential is a key variable and one of the main controlling factors in the exchange of water between soil, plant, and atmosphere.

[Learn more at www.metergroup.com](http://www.metergroup.com)

ATTENTION

TEROS 21 requires the following software and firmware versions. Please make updates as necessary.

Em50 firmware 2.26 or higher
ProCheck firmware version 1.66 or higher
ECH2O Utility version 1.80 or higher
DataTrac 3 version 3.14 or higher
EM60 firmware 1.09 or higher
ZENTRA Utility version 1.07 or higher

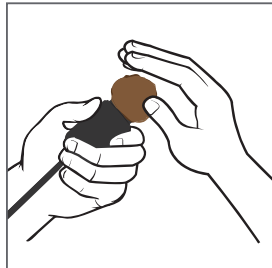
For non-METER systems read the information located at <https://www.metergroup.com/environment/articles/tech-note-mps-6-to-teros-21>.

Installation

1. Insert Sensor

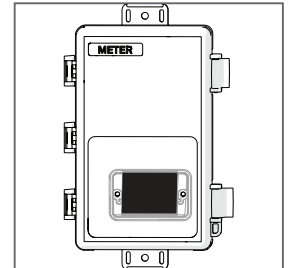
Auger or trench a hole to the desired sensor depth.

Pack native soil around sensor to ensure good hydraulic contact. Insert prepacked sensor into the bottom of the hole.



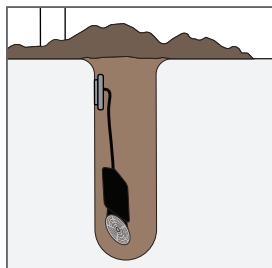
2. Check Sensor Operation

Use the data logger to make sure the sensor is reading properly.



3. Repack Soil and Protect Cables

Secure and protect cables with PVC casing or flexible conduit and backfill the trench or hole.



4. Plug In Sensor and Configure Logger

Plug the sensor into the data logger. Use data logger software to apply appropriate settings to the sensors plugged into each data logger port.

