



DuoFern Environmental Sensor

Installation and operating manual

Item no. 3200 00 64



The DuoFern Environmental Sensor can only be used unrestrictedly with a SmartHome Box.

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This manual...

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describe how to install, connect and operate the **DuoFern Environmental Sensor**.



How to use this manual

- ◆ Before you begin, please read this manual through completely and follow all the safety instructions.
- ◆ This manual is part of the product. Please store it in an easily accessible place.
- ◆ When passing the DuoFern Environmental Sensor on to a third party, this manual must be passed on as well.
- ◆ Damage resulting from non-compliance with this manual and the safety instructions will void the warranty. We assume no liability for any consequential damage.



Hazard symbols

The following hazard symbols are used in this manual:



Danger to life resulting from electric shock



Danger area / dangerous situation



Levels of danger and signal words



DANGER!



This hazard will lead to serious injury or death if not avoided.



ATTENTION!

This hazard may lead to property damage.



Depiction	Description
1.	Procedures
2.	
◆	Itemisation
1)	Lists
	Further useful information
	Please read the respective manual.



Danger to life resulting from electric shock when working on all electrical systems.

- ◆ Installation, testing, commissioning and troubleshooting may only be carried out by an authorised qualified electrician.
- ◆ Carry out all installation and connection work only in a de-energised state.
- ◆ Observe the safety instructions for electrical connection on page 14.



The use of defective devices can lead to personal injury and damage to property (electric shock / short circuit).

- ◆ Never use defective or damaged devices.
- ◆ Check the DuoFern Environmental Sensor for damage.
- ◆ Please contact our Customer Service department if you determine any damage, see page 24.
- ◆ If the DuoFern Environmental Sensor is defective, ensure the awning system is disabled and secure it to prevent it being switched back on.
- ◆ Take due care while adjusting the awning and keep people away from the moving awning.



Please ensure that no-one is allowed to remain in the travel range of system parts driven by the motor (risk of crushing!). The corresponding building regulations must be observed.



Danger due to drives starting up during cleaning and maintenance

If cleaning or maintenance has to be carried out in the vicinity of the awning(s) or Venetian blind(s), the system must be isolated by switching off the site-provided fuse and secured to prevent it switching on again.



Intended use

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Use the DuoFern Environmental Sensors solely for the control of DuoFern end units within a DuoFern network.

Use the integrated actuator solely for the connection of a tubular motor or awning motor.

Operating conditions

- ◆ A 230 V/50 Hz power supply, together with a site-provided isolating device (fuse), must be available for the electrical connection at the installation location.
- ◆ The awning mechanism must retract and extend easily.
- ◆ The installation and operation of radio systems is only permitted for systems and devices where a malfunction in the transmitter or receiver would not cause a danger to persons or property or where this risk is already covered by other safety equipment.



Radio systems which transmit on the same frequency can cause interference.



Improper use

Using the DuoFern Environmental Sensor for any other purpose than previously mentioned is not permissible.



Improper use can lead to personal injury or property damage.

- ◆ Never use the existing radio system (e.g. DuoFern radio system) and its components for the remote control of appliances and systems with increased safety-relevant requirements or where there is an accident risk. Applications of this kind require additional safety equipment. Observe the respective statutory regulations for the installation of such systems.
- ◆ Please remember that the rails of sunshade installations installed on the outside of the building can freeze. If the awning or Venetian blind is then moved, the sun shading and drive may be damaged.

The DuoFern Environmental Sensor captures **environmental parameters** and can therefore take over most of the automatic control within a DuoFern network.

The following environmental parameters are measured:

- ◆ Outdoor temperature (Can only be used in conjunction with SmartHome Box!)
- ◆ Lighting
- ◆ Wind velocity
- ◆ Precipitation (rain)

Comparative table showing various light values

Ambient conditions	Light values
Bright summer day	70 kLux
Overcast summer day	20 kLux
Shade in the summer	10 kLux
Overcast winter day	3 kLux
Room lighting	800 Lux
Street lighting	10 Lux

Wind velocity in various units

Description	m/s	km/h	Wind strength (Beaufort)
Calm	< 0.3	< 1.1	0
Almost calm	0.3 - 1.5	1.1 - 5.4	1
Very slight wind	1.6 - 3.3	5.5 - 11.9	2
Light wind	3.4 - 5.4	12.0 - 19.4	3
Moderate wind	5.5 - 7.9	19.5 - 28.4	4
Fresh wind	8.0 - 10.7	28.5 - 38.5	5
Very fresh wind	10.8 - 13.8	38.6 - 49.7	6
Strong wind	13.9 - 17.1	49.8 - 61.5	7
Very strong wind	17.2 - 20.7	61.6 - 74.5	8
Stormy wind	20.8 - 24.4	74.6 - 87.8	9
Heavy storm	24.5 - 28.4	87.9 - 102.2	10
Hurricane-like storm	28.5 - 32.6	102.3 - 117.3	11
Hurricane	> 32.6	> 117.3	12

Integrated tubular motor actuator

In addition, the DuoFern Environmental Sensor has an integrated tubular motor actuator.



DuoFern Environmental Sensors and actuators work independently of each other, therefore the integrated actuator can be set and used like an external actuator.

The functions of the integrated tubular motor actuator

The DuoFern Environmental Sensor is configured using the RADEMACHER app or via the Smarthome Box user interface on a PC. After the successful setting of the DuoFern Environmental Sensor, the integrated tubular motor actuator can be set and controlled like any other DuoFern actuator.

Functions:

- ◆ Connection option for a tubular motor
- ◆ Execution of automatic switching commands from a DuoFern transmitter
- ◆ Automatic timer
- ◆ Automatic solar function
- ◆ Automatic dawn function
- ◆ Automatic dusk function
- ◆ Automatic wind function
- ◆ Automatic rain function
- ◆ Random function
- ◆ End points adjustable by radio (only with RADEMACHER tubular motors with electronic end point adjustment)
- ◆ Reversal of rotation direction
- ◆ Adjustable sunshine position
- ◆ Adjustable ventilation position
- ◆ Radio code
- ◆ Execution of manual switching commands (Up / Stop / Down) from a DuoFern transmitter, e.g. DuoFern Manual Transmitter
- ◆ Manual operation
- ◆ Adjustable running time
- ◆ Remote log on/off
- ◆ Wind travel direction
- ◆ Rain travel direction
- ◆ Software version

Further important information

- ◆ Saved settings are retained even in the event of a power failure. All settings are active again after reconnection of the power supply.
- ◆ If it starts to rain, it can take some time before the DuoFern Environmental Sensor detects rain, depending on the intensity of the rain and the outdoor temperature.

Radio code

You can connect the DuoFern Environmental Sensor to the DuoFern network using the radio code.

The radio code is located on the bottom side of the DuoFern Environmental Sensor **and** on a label attached to the packaging.

Time window for activation via the radio code

After switching on the power supply, the radio code is active for a maximum of 2 hours. Once this time has elapsed, activation using the radio code is no longer possible. Briefly disconnect the DuoFern Environmental Sensor from the mains to reactivate the time window.

Connection and control possibilities

An awning or Venetian blind drive can be connected to the tubular motor actuator. If several awnings or Venetian blinds are to be controlled together, connection via an additional multiple control relay is possible.

Installation as a stationary controller

The DuoFern Environmental Sensor may only be used as a stationary installation, i.e. only in an installed state and after completion of all installation and commissioning operations and only in the intended environment.

**Risk of short-circuits when installing in the rain**

Do not open the DuoFern Environmental Sensor if water (rain) can penetrate into it; even a few drops could damage the electronics. Ensure it is connected properly. An incorrect connection can lead to destruction of the environmental sensor and the control electronics.

**Avoid damage during the installation**

During installation, pay particular attention to ensure that the temperature sensor (small printed circuit board on the underside of the housing) is not damaged. Also ensure the connecting cable between the printed circuit board and rain sensor is not torn off or kinked when connecting it.

Notes on radio systems

During planning, ensure that there is adequate radio reception. The range of radio controls is limited by the statutory provisions for radio systems and by conditions at the installation site (if the radio signal has to pass through walls and ceilings).

A minimum distance of 30 cm should be maintained between radio transmitters in order not to impair the reception quality. Powerful local transmitters (e.g. radio headphones) transmitting in the same frequency band can interfere with the reception.

Dimensions and drilling templates

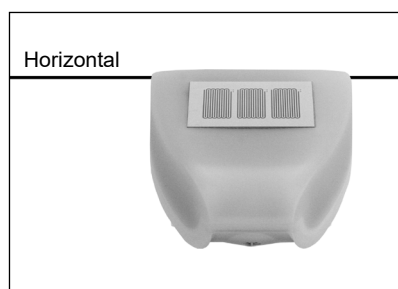
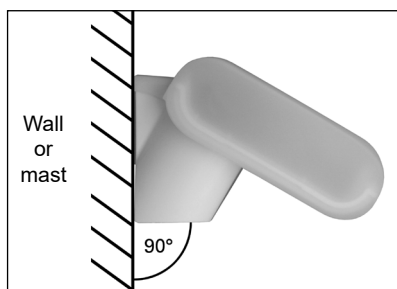
All the dimensioned drawings necessary for the installation can be found on page 23.

Location / Minimum height

The DuoFern Environmental Sensor must be installed at a minimum height of 2 metres.

Select an installation position on the building where wind, rain and sun can be detected by the sensors without any impeding structures. No structural parts may be installed above the DuoFern Environmental Sensor from which water can drip onto the precipitation sensor after it has already stopped raining or snowing. The building or, for example, trees must not cast shadows onto the DuoFern Environmental Sensor. A distance of at least 60 cm must be allowed under the DuoFern Environmental Sensor to permit proper wind measurement and to prevent it being covered by snow.

The DuoFern Environmental Sensor must be installed on a vertical wall (or mast) and aligned horizontally in the transverse direction.



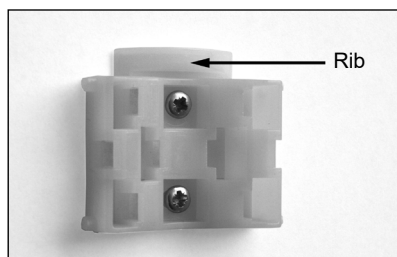
Fitting the bracket

The DuoFern Environmental Sensor includes a combined wall/mast bracket. Upon delivery, the bracket is fastened to the rear of the housing with adhesive tape.

Fasten the bracket perpendicularly to the wall or mast.

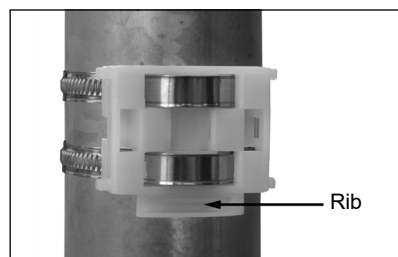
Wall installation:

Flat side towards the wall, semi-circular rib facing upwards.

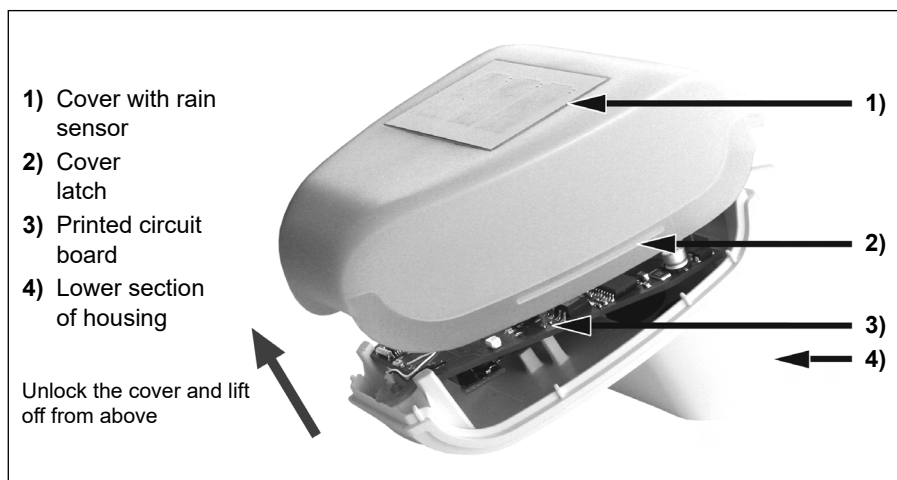


Mast installation:

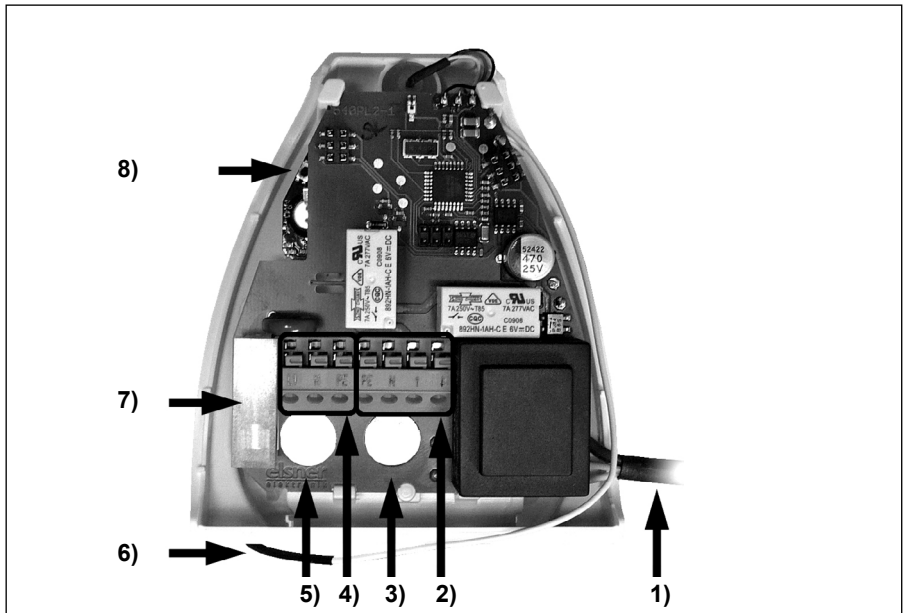
Curved side towards the mast, rib facing downwards.





Preparation of the DuoFern Environmental Sensor



The cover of the DuoFern Environmental Sensor with the rain sensor is latched at the lower edge on the left and right (see Fig.). Remove the cover from the DuoFern Environmental Sensor. Proceed carefully to avoid tearing off the cable connection between the printed circuit board in the lower section and the rain sensor in the cover.



Legend

- 1) Cable connection to the rain sensor in the housing cover
- 2) Drive connections (spring-loaded terminal,  / N / Up / Down), suitable for solid conductor up to 1.5 mm² or fine-wire conductor
- 3) Opening for a motor cable
- 4) Power supply connections (230 V/50 Hz, spring-loaded terminal, L1 / N / ), suitable for solid conductor up to 1.5 mm² or fine-wire conductor
- 5) Opening for the power supply connecting cable
- 6) Antenna
- 7) Fine fuse 6.3 A
- 8) Reset button



ATTENTION!



When connecting the cable, the printed circuit board must not be removed from the bracket.

**There is a risk of fatal electric shock when touching electrical components.**

- ◆ The electrical connection and all work on electrical systems must only be carried out by a qualified electrician in accordance with the connection instructions in this manual.
- ◆ Carry out all installation and connection work only in a de-energised state.
- ◆ Disconnect all phases of the mains power lead and secure it to prevent any reconnection.
- ◆ Check that the system is de-energised.
- ◆ Prior to connecting, compare the information about voltage/frequency on the device with that of the local electrical grid operator.

**Incorrect wiring may lead to short circuits and destroy the device.**

- ◆ Observe the sequence of connector pin assignments in the wiring diagram on page 14.



Follow all the electrical connection specifications in the operating manuals of your tubular motor.

**A defective antenna can cause malfunctions or the failure of the DuoFern Environmental Sensor.**

- ◆ The antenna lead must not be shortened and damaged.

Information for the parallel connection of several drives**The parallel connection of unsuitable motors can result in damage. Therefore strictly observe the specifications in the operating manuals of the respective tubular motors.**

- ◆ The drive of the awning or Venetian blind is connected to the DuoFern Environmental Sensor. Several drives can be connected in parallel. When connecting motors in parallel, check whether a multiple control relay is prescribed by the motor manufacturer.
- ◆ Motors with a power consumption higher than 1000 watts must be operated via a relay or contactor with a separate mains supply lead.

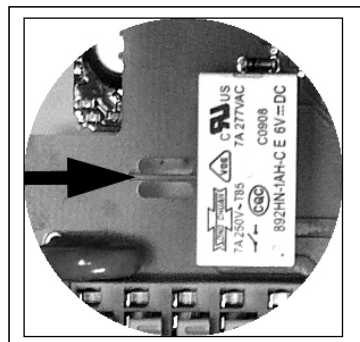
Wiring diagram for the connection of tubular motors.



Before connection, please read the operating manuals for the relevant tubular motor.

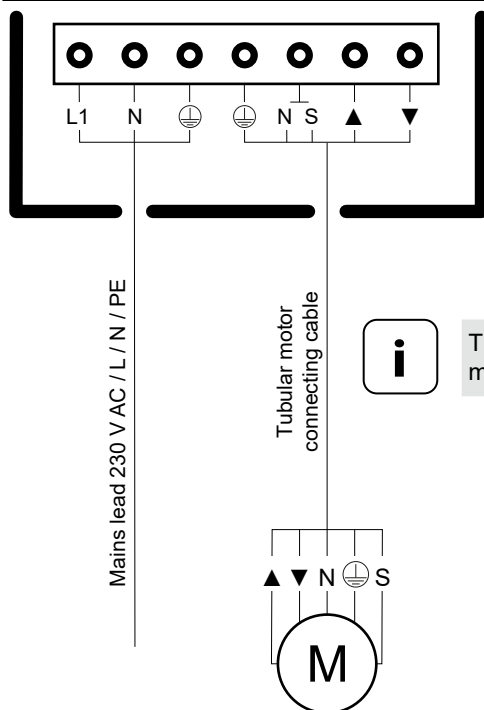
! ATTENTION!

When connecting RADEMACHER tubular motors with mechanical end point settings, or the tubular motors of other manufacturers, a circuit bridge on the printed circuit board of the DuoFern Environmental Sensor must first be removed, otherwise damage may occur to the DuoFern Environmental Sensor and drive.



Use of the setting wire for electronic RADEMACHER tubular motors:

After connection of an electronic RADEMACHER tubular motor, the setting wire must be connected to the neutral conductor (N) without fail.



The earthing must also be connected when connecting an appliance.



The connecting cable of the tubular motor may not exceed 3 m.

▲ = Up

▼ = Down

N = Neutral conductor



⊕ = Earth

S = Setting wire (if available)

M = Motor



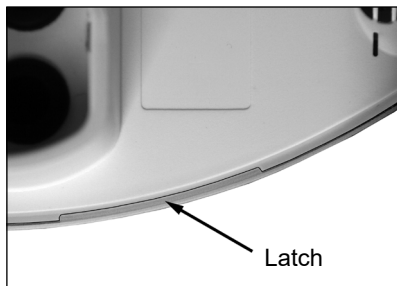
Connection of the power supply and drive

1. Insert the cables for the power supply and drive through the rubber seals on the underside of the DuoFern Environmental Sensor and connect the power supply (L1 / N / ) and the drive ( / N / Up / Down) to the corresponding terminals.
2. Close the housing by pressing the cover onto the lower section.
The cover must engage on the left and right with an audible “click”.
3. Check that the cover and lower section are correctly engaged! The figure shows the closed weather station from below.



Damaged connecting cables may result in danger to life due to a short-circuit.

Avoid clamping all the connecting cables or the antenna.



Final installation of the DuoFern Environmental Sensor



Push the housing into the installed bracket from above. The tabs on the bracket must engage in the rails of the housing.

The weather station can be removed from the bracket again by pulling up against the resistance of the latches.

After wiring up the system and checking all connections, proceed as follows:

1. Switch on the mains power supply to the DuoFern Environmental Sensor.
2. Connect the DuoFern Environmental Sensor to the DuoFern network using the radio code (DuoFern Manual Control or SmartHome Box).
3. Call up the user interface.

When using the SmartHome Box ...

you can access the user interface using the RADEMACHER app or via PC using the browser.

When using the DuoFern manual Control ...

please read the associated instruction manual.



You can download the SmartHome Box app in the appropriate store for the Android or iOS version.

Android version



iOS version



The logon matrix of the DuoFern Environmental sensor to log on DuoFern devices can be found in the service area of our website:
www.rademacher.de

4. Select the logged-on environmental sensor in the RADEMACHER app or the PC user interface and start the reaction value configuration from the device settings.

Important information for service personnel and fitters

If necessary, the DuoFern Environmental Sensor can be reset to the factory settings, see page 18.

Important information for service personnel and fitters

If necessary, the DuoFern Environmental Sensor can be reset to the factory settings. To do this, the housing cover of the DuoFern Environmental Sensor must be carefully opened with the sensor in use. The position of the set button can be seen in the figure.

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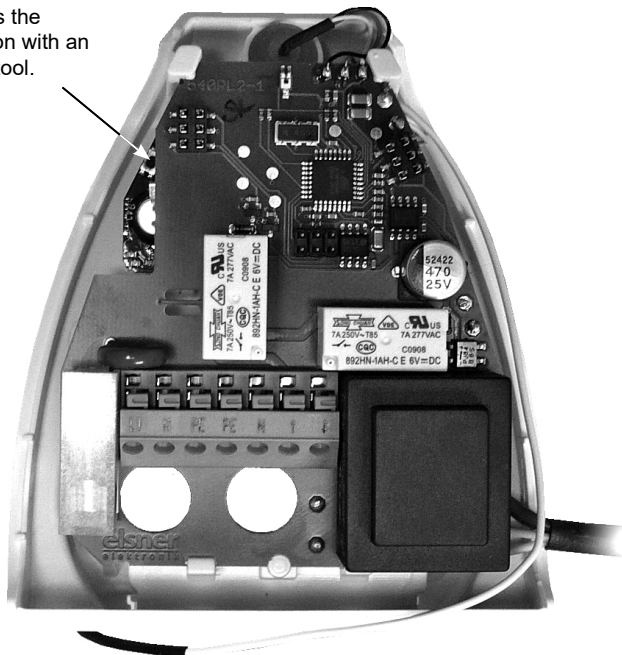
Risk of fatal injury when coming into contact with live electrical components.

- ◆ This work should only be carried out by trained service personnel or an electrician.
- ◆ This action is carried out in a closed condition with a 230 V / 50 Hz mains supply applied.
- ◆ Therefore use an insulated electrical tool to press the reset button.

1. Press the set button for 5 seconds, then all settings in the DuoFern Environmental Sensor are deleted and reset to the factory settings.



Only press the reset button with an insulated tool.



The DuoFern Environmental Sensor should be inspected for soiling twice a year and cleaned as necessary. In the event of heavy soiling, the wind sensor may cease to function, display a constant rain alarm or no longer detect sunshine.

In the event of a power failure, the data input by you is stored for approx. 10 years. No battery is necessary for this.



The DuoFern Environmental Sensor must always be disconnected from the mains power supply (e.g. switch off or remove fuse) for cleaning and maintenance.

Do not use any abrasive or corrosive cleaning agents

Use a soft cloth to remove dirt flecks. In case of stubborn soiling, use a cloth dampened slightly with water or a neutral cleaning solution. Finally wipe off with a soft dry cloth.



Insecticides / solvents and similar substances can destroy the gilded contact surfaces of the DuoFern Environmental Sensor.

Avoid using these agents in the direct vicinity of the DuoFern Environmental Sensor or protect the sensor surface against contact with these agents.



Technical specifications of the DuoFern Environmental Sensor

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Operating voltage:	230 V / 50 Hz ~
Ambient temperature:	-30 °C to +60 °C
Protection class:	IP44
Output:	loadable with max. 1000 W, fused with T 6.3 A micro fuse
Dimensions:	approx. W = 96 mm, H = 77 mm, D = 118 mm
Heating rain detector:	approx. 1.2 watts
Temperature sensor measuring range:	-30 °C to +60 °C
Temperature sensor resolution:	1°C
Sun sensor measuring range:	1 to 150 kLux
Sun sensor resolution:	1 kLux
Twilight sensor measuring range:	0 to 100 Lux
Twilight sensor resolution:	1 Lux
Wind sensor measuring range:	0 m/s to 35 m/s
Wind sensor resolution:	1 m/s
Radio frequency:	434.5 MHz
Transmission power:	max. 10 mW
Range:	within a building: approx. 30 m * outdoors: approx. 100 m <i>* Depending on the building structure</i>
Number of limiting value groups:	5
Max. number of devices:	44



Simplified EU declaration of conformity



RADEMACHER Geräte-Elektronik GmbH, hereby declares that the DuoFern Environmental Sensor complies with the Directive **2014/53/EU (Radio Equipment Directive)**.

The full text of the EU declaration of conformity is available at the following website:

www.rademacher.de/ce

Warranty terms and conditions

Information on our warranty conditions is enclosed separately with this product.

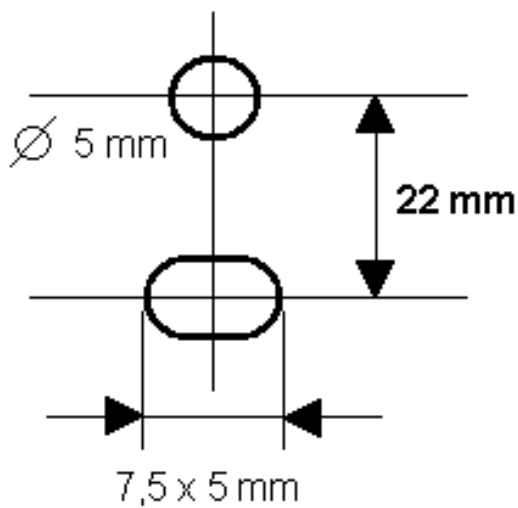
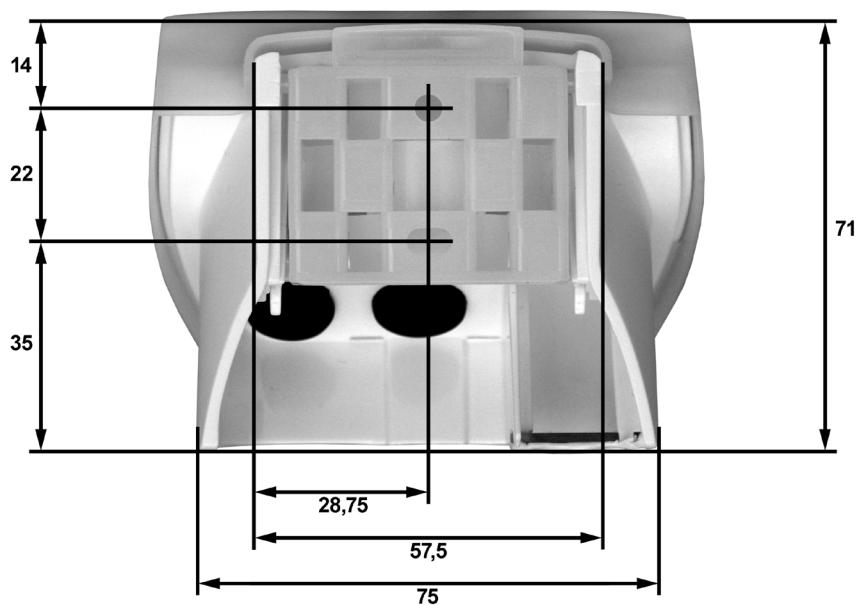
DCF clock:	OFF
Active limiting value group:	A
Solar function active *:	Yes
Solar limit value:	31 kLux
Sun detection after:	10 minutes
Shade detection after:	20 minutes
Solar direction function active:	No
Link sun to temperature:	No
From a temperature of:	10 °C
Dawn function active *:	Yes
Dawn limit value:	60 Lux
Dusk function active *:	Yes
Dusk limit value:	15 Lux
Wind function active:	No
Wind, set limit:	12 m/s (43.2 km/h)
Rain function active:	No
Temperature function active:	No
Temperature, limit value:	-10 °C

* Limit values 2- 5 are deactivated at the factory

Manual operation:	OFF
Automatic timer:	OFF
Automatic solar function:	OFF
Automatic dawn function:	OFF
Automatic dusk function:	OFF
Automatic rain function:	OFF
Automatic wind function:	OFF
Running time:	150 seconds
Sunshine position active:	100 %
Ventilation position active	No
Ventilation position:	80 %
Standard travel direction wind:	Up
Standard travel direction rain:	Up
Rotation direction:	OFF



All dimensions in mm, technical deviations possible.



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