

Soil Moisture Based Irrigation Technologies—Summary of Product Information and Features

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Number of Residential Model Types		1		1	1	1	1	1		1
Number of Commercial Model Types		3	1	2	1	3	1	1	2	1
Date Product(s) Entered Market		2002	1986	2006	2014	1985	2008	2009	2008	2009
Method of Operation										
Interrupts Operation of All Stations		✓		✓	✓	Residential Models			✓	✓
Interrupts Operation of Individual or Groups of Sta		✓	✓	Requires Multiple Controllers	✓	Commercial Models	✓	✓	✓	✓
Product Features										
Standalone Controller or Add-on to Existing		Standalone & Add-on	Standalone	Standalone & Add-on	Add-on	Add-on	Add-on	Add-on	Standalone	Standalone & Add-on
Type of Soil Moisture Sensor(s)		TDT	Tensiometer	FDR	Electrical Resistance	Electrical Resistance	FDR	TDT	FDR	FDR
Multiple Soil Moisture Sensors May Be Used		Commercial Models	✓	Requires Multiple Controllers	✓	Commercial Models			✓	✓
Soil Moisture Sensor Capacity		6 & 25	48	1 & 2		1 - 16	1	1	10	255
Connect to Existing Valve Wiring		✓	✓			Commercial Models	✓	✓		✓
Number of Soil Moisture Settings		Unlimited	Unlimited	51 & 0-60%	5	4, 9, & 11			Unlimited	10
Measures and Adjusts for Soil Conductivity			✓			Internally Compensated		✓		✓
Controller Displays Soil Conductivity								✓		✓
Measures and Adjusts for Soil Temperature		✓						✓		✓
Controller Displays Soil Temperature		Commercial Models						✓	✓	✓
Controller Station Capacity		12 - 200	8 - 48	Unlimited		Unlimited	4		25 - 100	36
Master Valve or Pump Circuit(s)		Commercial Models	2						3	✓
Internal Power Transformer		Commercial Models	✓						✓	✓
Battery Powered - DC		Commercial Models		Option Available		One Model				
Station Circuit Current Rating (Amperes)			1.5	3 & 10				2.5		✓
Outdoor Installation		✓ ¹	✓	✓ ¹	✓	All Models, Commercial option	✓	✓	✓ ¹	✓
Rain Gauge or Sensor Compatible w/ Rain Shuto		✓	✓			✓		✓	✓	✓
Flow Sensor Compatible		Commercial Models	✓	✓		✓			✓	✓
Additional Sensor Terminals		Commercial Models	✓	✓		✓			✓	✓
Remote Control Device for Controller		Commercial Models	✓ ¹	✓					✓	Use Phone
System Testing and Diagnostics		✓	✓						✓	✓
Surge and/or Lightning Protection		✓	✓ ¹			✓		✓	✓	✓
SWAT Test Performance Report Available		✓				✓	✓	✓		✓
Scheduling Features (Standalone only)										
Fully Automatic Schedule (No Base Schedule Rec		Commercial Models		Commercial Models						✓
Variable Total Run Times		Commercial Models	✓	Commercial Models						✓
User May Define Non-Irrigation Days		Commercial Models	✓						✓	✓
Operable in Manual Clock Mode		✓	✓						✓	✓
Manual Operation by Station or Program		Commercial Models	✓						✓	✓
Irrigation Schedule Period(s)		All options available	7, 14, 21, or 28 day						✓	✓
Cycle/Soak Manual Input		✓	✓						✓	✓
Cycle/Soak Periods Automatically Calculated										✓
Available Start Times		8	6						12	6
Irrigation Pause/Resume		Commercial Models	✓						✓	✓
Runs Concurrent Stations		Commercial Models	✓	✓					10	3
Number of Programs		40 & 99	7	2					12	6
Syringe Cycle or Program		Commercial Models	✓						✓	✓
Review of Recent Irrigation Information		Commercial Models	✓						✓	✓
English and Spanish Languages Display			✓						Universal Display	
Product Support and Warranty										
Warranty		10 years	10 years	1 year	5 years	1 year	2 years	1 year	1 - 5 years	For life of contract
Support	On-site Service Technicians		✓	Some Locations	✓	Some locations				✓
All companies offer email support	Telephone Technicians	✓	✓	✓		✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
	Online Chat									
	Local Distributors		✓	Some Locations	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	
Installation, Maintenance, & Cost										
Professional Installation & Programming Recomr		Commercial Models	✓	Commercial Models	✓	Commercial Models		✓	✓	✓
Battery Replacement Required				Optional			✓			Yes
Suggested Retail Price ²		\$165 - \$4,630	\$1,285 - \$4,160	\$525 - \$1,045	\$153	\$100 - \$3,146	\$250 and up	\$209	\$1,470 - \$2,160	

1 - Optional add-on feature not included in controller price(s) shown; 2 - Automatically applies local non-irrigation day restrictions; 3 - Using IFTTT applet; 4 - ST8-WIFI controller only; 5 - ESP-TM2 & ESP-Me only