Axiom Fire (F7) and Axiom Water (H3)

Revision1.0

Published June 2025 Engineering Control

This document contains proprietary and confidential material owned by AEM. Any unauthorized reproduction, use, or disclosure of this material, or any part thereof, is strictly prohibited.





Table of Contents

1	Introd	duction	7
	1.1	Document Hierarchy	.7
	1.2	Document Structure	.7
	1.3	Document Styles	.8
	1.4	Document Style Convention	.9
	1.5	Support Information	10
2	Prod	uct Overview	11
	2.1	Product Description	11
	2.2	Electromagnetic Compliance	11
	2.2.1	FCC Compliance Statement	11
	2.2.2	Canadian Compliance Statement	11
	2.3	General Theory of Operations	12
	2.3.1	Sensors	12
	2.3.2	Data Storage	12
	2.3.3	Data Logging	12
	2.3.4	Data Processes	12
	2.3.5	Telemetry	12
	2.3.6	Power	13
	2.3.7	USB	13
	2.3.8	Power Management	13
	2.3.9	Solar Charge Controller	13
	2.3.10	User Interface Conventions	14
	2.4	Data Logger Connectors	15
	2.4.1	Power Input	15
	2.4.2	Analog Sensor Connections (F7 only)	16
	2.4.3	SDI-12 Connections	16
	2.4.4	Antenna Connectors	16
	2.4.5	Auxiliary Communication Connection	17
	2.4.6	Radio (AirTalk) Connection (F7 only)	17
	2.4.7	USB Host Port	17
	2.5 2.5.1	Display and Touchscreen Care and Cleaning	. 17
	2.6	Mounting	17
3	Gene	eral Operating Information	18
	3.1	Menu and User Interface	18
	3.2	Configuration Management	18
	3.2.1	Configuration Files	18
	3.2.2	Configuration Methods	18
	3.2.3	Configuration File Strategy	18
	3.3	Understanding Interval and Offset Timing	19
	3.3.1	Timing Framework Overview	19
	3.3.2	How Interval and Offset Work Together	20
	3.3.3	Applications	21
	3.3.4	Timing Considerations	21

3.4	Battery	.22
3.5	USB Host Port	.22
3.5.1	USB Flash Drive Specifications	.22
3.6	Display and Touchscreen Characteristics	.22
3.6.1	Temperature	.22
3.6.2	Touch	.23
3.6.3	Backlight	.23
4 Hom	e Screen	.24
4.1	Header Bar	.24
4.2	Main Menus	.24
4.3	Home Carousel	.25
4.4	Status Bar	.25
4.5	Alerts and Errors – Future Feature	.26
5 Statio	on Menu	. 27
5.1 5.2 5.3 5.3.1 5.3.2 5.3.3	Site Tab About Tab Setup Tab Save Configuration Load Configuration Configuration Wizard – Future Release	.27 .28 .29 .29 .29 .30 31
5.4	Power Management Tab	.35
6 Sens	ors Menu	.36
6.1	Sensor Classification	.36
6.2	Sensor Operating Theory	.36
6.3	Data Point Names	.36
6.3.1	Native Data Points - Future Release	.37
6.4	Data Point Name Rules	.38
6.4.1	Reserved Terms	.38
6.5	Adding New Sensors – General Process	.39
6.6	Internal Sensors	.41
6.7	Battery Sensor	.41
6.7.1	Battery Sensor Configuration.	.41
6.8	Solar Power Sensor	.43
6.8.1	Solar Power Sensor Configuration	.43
6.9	Case Temp Sensor	.44
6.9.1	Case Temp Sensor Configuration	.44
6.10 6.11 6.11.1 6.11.2 6.11.3 6.11.4	External Sensors Temp-Humidity (THS-3) Sensor Configuration Temp-Humidity Sensor Setup Temp-Humidity Processes – Statistical Calculations Temp-Humidity Data Logging Temp-Humidity Current Conditions	.46 .46 .49 .53 .56
6.12	Fuel Stick (FS-3) Sensor Configuration	. 57
6.12.1	Fuel Stick Sensor Setup	. 57
6.12.2	2 Fuel Stick Processes – Statistical Calculations	. 59

9	Datal	og Menu	. 111
	8.9	Delete Processes – Future Feature	110
	8.7 8.8 8.8.1 8.8.2	Script Process – Future Feature Weighted Avg. (Average) Process – Future Feature How it Works Weighted Avg Configuration	106 107 107 108
	8.5 8.6 8.6.1	User Var (Variable) Process – Future Feature	103 104 105
	8.1 8.2 8.3 8.4 8.4.1 8.4.2 8.4.3 8.4.3 8.4.4 8.4.5	Processes Add Processes Statistical Calculations SDI-RMY Wind Process How the Wind Processes Work SDI-WS-RMY Sensor Integration SDI-WS-RMY Initialization SDI-WS-RMY Initialization SUPWS-RMY Initialization SUPWS-RMY Process Configuration	.92 .93 .96 .96 .97 .97 .97 .98
8	Proce	esses Menu	.92
	7.3 7.4 7.5 7.5.1	Mapping Requirements Mapping Sensor >_ (Transparent Mode) Change SDI-12 Sensor Address	.86 .86 .87 .87
	7.1 7.2 7.2.1	Address Requirements SDI-12 Sensor Mapping Detecting New SDI-12 Sensors	.84 .84 .85
7	Mana	ge SDI-12 Menu	84
	6.16	Deleting Sensors	.83
	6.15 6.15.1 6.15.2 6.15.3 6.15.4	 Solar Radiation (SDI-SR-PYR) Sensor Configuration Solar Radiation Sensor Setup Solar Radiation Sensor Processes - Statistical Calculations Solar Radiation Data Logging Configuration Solar Radiation Current Conditions 	.79 .79 .81 .82 .82
	6.14 6.14.1 6.14.2 6.14.3 6.14.4	 Wind Sensor (SDI-WS-RMY) Configuration Wind Sensor Setup Wind Sensor Processes - Statistical Calculations Wind Sensor Data Logging Wind Sensor Current Conditions 	.72 .72 .74 .78 .78
	6.13 6.13.1 6.13.2 6.13.3 6.13.4	Rain Gauge (RG-T) Sensor Configuration Rain Gauge Sensor Setup Rain Gauge Processes - Statistical Calculations Rain Gauge Data Logging Rain Gauge Current Conditions	.63 .63 .66 .68 71
	6.12.3 6.12.4	Fuel Stick Data Logging Fuel Stick Current Conditions	.63 .63

9	9.1	Configure Datalogging	. 111
	9.1.1	View Details	112
	9.1.Z	Add Log Interval Delete Log Definition	115
	914	Export Data to USB	117
10	C	urrent Conditions Menu – Future Feature	110
10	01		120
	T -l		101
11	leien	netry Menu	IZI
]	1.1	Telemetry General Information	121
1.	1.2	Status Indicator Overview	122
1 1	1.3 1 /I		122
, J.	1.5	GOES	123
	11.5.1	Compliance	124
	11.5.2	GOES Status	124
	11.5.3	G6 GOES Transmitter Configuration	125
	11.5.4	GOES Messages	131
	11.5.5	BLM Format	133
	11.5.0	MSC Format – Future Release	13/
	11.5.7	USGS Pseudo-binary Format – Future Release	1.39
	11.5.9	GOES Test Transmission	139
	11.5.10) Fail-Safe Reset	143
1	1.6	GPS	143
•	11.6.1	Sources	143
	11.6.2	GPS Status	143
	11.6.3	GPS Time Synchronization	144
	11.6.4	GPS Receiver Setup	144
1	1.7	AirTalk – Future Release	145
	11.7.1	How Does It Work?	145
	11.7.2	AirTalk Status	147
	11.7.3	AirTalk Configuration	148
	11.7.4	AirTalk Message Configuration	149
	11.7.6	Add New Message	151
	11.7.7	Add Phrase	152
	11.7.8	AirTalk Alert Configuration	154
	11.7.9	Add New Alert	155
	11.7.10	D AirTalk Vocabulary	157
1	1.8	Aux Comm Configuration – Future Release	159
	11.8.1	Aux Comm Status	159
	11.8.2	Aux Comm Setup	160
12	Se	ervice Menu	163
1	2.1	Visit Report	163
	12.1.1	Report List	163
	12.1.2	Report Download	164
	12.1.3	Start Visit Report	165

12.1.4 End Visit Report	
 12.1.3 Visit Report Download. 12.2 Audit Log	
12.4 Passwords – Future Release 12.4.1 Recover Lost Password	170 171
 12.5 Rain Gauge Calibration	
12.9 Logout – Future Release	176
13 Service and Support	177
 13.1 Warranty 13.1.1 Product Warranty 13.1.2 Service Warranty 	177 177 178
14 Revision History	

1 Introduction

Axiom Fire (F7) and Water (H3) Data Loggers are advanced environmental monitoring devices designed for reliable data collection in remote and harsh conditions. Built with rugged enclosures and intuitive touchscreen interfaces, they support seamless integration with various sensors and telemetry systems for reliable measurement recording and transmission.

1.1 Document Hierarchy

The following documents are available to Axiom Data Logger users. Both Axiom F7 and H3 Data Loggers use the same manuals. Any differences in operation are noted.

- Axiom Quick-start Guide is an easy, approachable installation guide for users that are familiar with Axiom F7 and H3 and have a standard system configuration.
- Axiom Product Manual offers detailed guidance on operation, configuration, and system functionality.
- Axiom Technical Guide provides detailed information on hardware, troubleshooting, and service procedures, including connectors, tech tools, disassembly instructions, and factory restore processes.
- Axiom Field Guide includes instructions and procedures for service of the data logger and sensors that are deployed in the field.

1.2 Document Structure

Most of this document is structured around the graphic user interface, including sections for the Home screen and each of the main menus on the home screen.

A bread crumb or navigation path in the title bar of most screens correlates to a section and subsection of this manual.

1.3 Document Styles The action icons and their functions are shown in Table 1-1.

Button	Name	Function			
A	Home	Navigates to the Home screen			
+	Add	Adds a new sensor, telemetry, etc.			
Ī	Delete	Deletes the selected sensor, telemetry, file, etc.			
\$	Settings	Opens the configuration screen for the current operation.			
	Edit	Enables editing of the selected field.			
♠	Move Right	Moves the selected data point to the right column.			
▼	Move Left	Moves selected data point to the left column.			
থ	Refresh	Reload the current screen to update the sensor list.			
Q	Detect	Initiates the SDI-12 sensor mapping process.			
>_	Transparent Mode	Opens the command interface to manually input the commands.			
*	Download	Downloads data, and logs from the data logger to flash drive.			

Table 1-1 - Action Buttons

1.4 Document Style Convention

Menus: Primary navigation system to access the data logger's features and settings.

Field Labels: Helps users to provide accurate data or interpret displayed information.

<u>Tabs</u>: Screen sub-divisions for quick navigation between related features without leaving the main screen.

Buttons: Are actionable touch targets that execute specific actions or commands.

ELECTRICAL CONNECTIONS: Physical connectors for power supply or interfacing with external devices.

Screen Names: Identifies the current screen to help users understand their location within the interface.

Note: Provides additional information or tips about the system functionalities.

Important: Emphasizes key information that users must follow to ensure the correct operation of the device.

Warning: Highlights situations or conditions that could result in potential harm to the device or user if not addressed properly.

1.5 Support Information



2 Product Overview

2.1 Product Description

Axiom Fire and Water Data Loggers are robust, waterproof environmental monitoring devices with integrated telemetry. They collect and transmit measurement data in support of hydrology and wildfire risk management. They feature outstanding power management, compatibility with a wide range of sensors and telemetry devices, an industrial-grade color display and touchscreen, and USB host port.

With military-grade connectors, IP67 ingress protection, and robust electrical protection, Axiom data loggers are built to withstand demanding applications.

Integrated GOES and Iridium satellite communications simplify site installation, improving service and reliability. The auxiliary communication port extends the options for telemetry devices, including the rugged, low-power AEM cell phone modem.

Two dedicated analog sensor ports and four independent SDI-12 sensor connections provide a wide range of sensor options.

Low power optimization, integrated solar charger, and temperature-compensated charging improve the reliability of solar-powered installations, even in demanding conditions.

These features combine to make Axiom data loggers ideal for a broad range of applications.

2.2 Electromagnetic Compliance

2.2.1 FCC Compliance Statement

FCC Part 15 Compliance

This device complies with Part 15 of the FCC Rules. Operation is subject to the following two conditions: (1) this device may not cause harmful interference, and (2) this device must accept any interference received, including interference that may cause undesired operation.

This equipment has been tested and found to comply with the limits for a Class A digital device, pursuant to Part 15 of the FCC Rules. These limits are designed to provide reasonable protection against harmful interference when the equipment is operated in a commercial environment. This equipment generates, uses, and can radiate radio frequency energy and, if not installed and used in accordance with the instruction manual, may cause harmful interference to radio communications. Operation of this equipment in a residential area is likely to cause harmful interference in which case the user will be required to correct the interference at their own expense.

2.2.2 Canadian Compliance Statement

ISED (Innovation, Science and Economic Development Canada) Compliance

This Class A digital apparatus complies with Canadian ICES-003.

Cet appareil numérique de la classe A est conforme à la norme NMB-003 du Canada.

2.3 General Theory of Operations

Axiom Fire (F7) and Axiom Water (H3) data loggers run FreeRTOS, a light-weight operating system that allows the device to perform several tasks at once (multi-threading), like reading sensors, transmitting data, and operating the graphic user interface. FreeRTOS (real-time operating system) is widely used for embedded devices such as medical devices, smart thermostats, and Ethernet routers.

2.3.1 Sensors

A combination of internal sensors and external sensors can collect operational and environmental data. Internal sensors provide voltage, current, and battery temperature for the native solar charge controller.

External sensors consist of two dedicated analog ports for temperature, humidity, and fuel stick (F7 only), rain gauge counter input, and four SDI-12 ports for all other sensors.

Pre-configured profiles are built into Axiom data loggers for sensors available from AEM. A generic SDI-12 sensor interface can be used to read other compliant devices.

2.3.2 Data Storage

Axiom data loggers employ a lightweight, embedded database optimized for real-time performance, reliability, and low power usage. It is used to store, manage, and retrieve large volumes of time-stamped measurement and event data saved in the non-volatile flash memory. The capacity of the datastore allows for more than 10 years of data collection at typical measurement intervals.

Once a sensor is configured with a measurement interval, all measurements are saved to the *full-spectrum datastore* (internal database).

2.3.3 Data Logging

Log configurations act as database queries, reading and converting measurements or processed data at the time of download. This dynamic logging approach allows "log" changes to be made at any time, even after data is collected. Deleting a log, merely deletes the log definition. A new log definition can be created to read the same data, different units of the data, or different time intervals (depending on the measurement interval). Refer to the **Datalog** menu section for further information.

2.3.4 Data Processes

The system supports real-time data processing, including statistical operations (e.g., min, max, average) and derived values. These are stored alongside raw measurements and are available for display, telemetry, and event triggers.

Conditional logic enables responsive behavior, such as initiating data transmission when predefined thresholds are met.

2.3.5 Telemetry

Optional internal GOES, Iridium SBD, and AirTalk (also known as RVT2) modules are tightly integrated for reliable, simple, and low-power operation.

The AuxCom (auxiliary communication) port operates as either a full-duplex RS-232 or half-duplex RS-485 serial interface. A single cable provides power and data to external devices, such as AEM's CTX-G1 cellular modem.

2.3.6 Power

The native solar charging of the connected battery ensures reliable and predictable operation in all conditions. The voltage and current controls are electrically quiet, unlike many PWM-type charge controllers.

2.3.7 USB

Finally, a USB-A device port is used for file transfer operations, including data logs, firmware, and device configuration file. This port and the touchscreen GUI eliminate the need for field service personnel to rely on additional equipment for installation and maintenance.

2.3.8 Power Management

Axiom utilizes several power modes that may generally be described as:

Run Mode – The normal data collection mode of the data logger. In this mode, the device automatically transitions from a low-power state to perform schedule operations. The display, backlight, USB, and other user interface features and systems are powered down. Sensor and telemetry interfaces are powered as needed to support the measurement, processing, data storage, and telemetry operations.

User Mode – User interface is active; display, backlight, USB port controller, and related support circuits are powered. This mode is activated whenever a touch screen action is detected.

Idle Mode – After 15 minutes without a touch input, the backlight turns off. The current screen position is held for another 45 minutes. After 60 minutes without a touch detection the device will transition to Run mode.

- If a Start Visit report has been created, an End Visit report is created with default or blank input fields.
- The display returns to Home, and the USB controller shuts down.
- If they have not been saved, edits to the currently active screen are lost.

<u>*Warning:*</u> Unresolved operating errors, such as improper or incomplete sensors or telemetry configuration may prevent desired data logger operation.

2.3.9 Solar Charge Controller

The built-in solar charge controller (SCC) regulates the charging of the connected sealed lead-acid battery. The charge state and voltage are determined by battery voltage, solar panel voltage, and the temperature of the battery.

SCC hardware incorporates safeguards to protect Axiom from damage when the battery or solar panel polarity is reversed or when an overvoltage condition exists.

An over-voltage condition triggers a hold-off, disconnecting the power inputs for 30 seconds, protecting internal circuits while the situation is corrected.

Charging Conditions

SCC starts charging when all the following conditions are met.

- Solar panel is present (Vsp >= 5 V).
- Battery is present (Vbatt >= 5 V).
- SCC is not under over-voltage 30 second hold-off.
- Solar panel voltage exceeds the battery voltage by two Volts (Vsp > Vbat + 2 V).
- Battery temperature within the allowed charging range.

Non-charging Conditions

SCC stops charging if any of the following conditions are met.

- Solar panel is not present (Vsp < 5V).
- Battery is not present (Vbat < 5V).
- Solar panel voltage (Vsp) is lower than Vbat + 2 V.
- Over-voltage condition detected. (Triggers 30 second hold-off.)
- Battery is not charging. (Battery current is zero or negative.)
- Battery temperature outside of the allowed charging range.



2.3.10 User Interface Conventions

While not always possible, the graphic environment was designed around the following general principles:

- Color-blindness accessibility
- Utilize a combination of distinct colors, icons, and text to differentiate menus and functions
- Where possible, implement verbose and descriptive text labels
- Space touch targets for finger action



<u>*Note:*</u>H3 is functionally identical to F7, except H3 does not include dedicated Temperature-Humidity or Fuel Stick sensor inputs.

2.4 Data Logger Connectors

2.4.1 Power Input

Power connections include the **SOLAR PANEL** and **BATTERY** inputs. Battery input is the primary power source; the internal power management system uses the **SOLAR PANEL** input to charge the external 12 V SLA battery.

Solar Panel

SOLAR PANEL input is designated with a black ring on the front panel and has a three-position bayonet-style military connector. AEM solar panels are pre-terminated with a compatible connector. Pig-tail cables are also available for users that wish to utilize their own solar panels.

Battery Connection

The **BATTERY** connection is a seven-position, bayonet-style military connector marked by a black ring. Axiom is compatible with 12 V sealed lead-acid batteries with capacities from 7 Ah to over 200 Ah. The battery cable includes voltage detection leads and a battery temperature sensor. (The charge circuit is not compatible with flooded-cell automotive batteries.)

2.4.2 Analog Sensor Connections (F7 only)

Fuel Stick Sensor (FS-3)

FUEL STICK sensor measures forest fuel moisture and temperature to match 10-hour fuel moisture standards for fire behavior analysis. It features a wooden dowel, a precision thermistor, and a capacitive humidity sensor for accurate data. The 6-position connector is indicated with a yellow ring, matching the THS cable over-molding.

Temp Humidity Sensor (THS-3)

TEMP-HUMIDITY sensor measures ambient temperature and relative humidity with an encapsulated thermistor and a capacitive humidity sensor. Its solar radiation shield reduces environmental interference for reliable data. The 10-position connector is indicated by a red ring, matching the sensor over-molding.

2.4.3 SDI-12 Connections

The Axiom Data Logger includes four discrete SDI-12 ports (**SDI A** through **SDI D**). Each port can supply up to 500 mA and 2 A combined switched power. These discrete ports support SDI-12 v1.3 compliant sensors and enable integration of up to 62 digital sensors via external expansion modules. Each SDI port is labeled and identified with orange rings.

2.4.4 Antenna Connectors

GOES Antenna Connection

The **GOES** antenna connection is compatible with the EON2 GOES antenna. This antenna connects through a Type-N (female) connector and offers robust durability for reliable data transmission in harsh conditions.

GPS Antenna Connection

GPS antenna SMA connection is designed for active GNSS antennas. Some versions of EON2 GOES antennas include GPS but the standard configuration uses separate antennas. The GPS/GNSS receiver provides precise positioning and timing information essential for accurate time base for data collection and transmission scheduling.

Iridium Antenna Connection

IRIDIUM SBD satellite transceiver connects to an omni-directional antenna with the TNC connector.

2.4.5 Auxiliary Communication Connection

The **AUX COM** connection is software selectable as a full-duplex RS-232 or half-duplex RS-485 serial port. The M-12 connections also supply switched power to external devices, such as AEM CTX-G1 cellular modem.

2.4.6 Radio (AirTalk) Connection (F7 only)

The **RADIO** connection is used for AirTalk, an interface to handheld radios like BK Technologies BKR 5000. AirTalk transmits user-configured voice reports based on received DTMF codes or changing weather conditions

2.4.7 USB Host Port

USB 2.0 Type-A port is compatible with mass storage devices such as flash memory drives. Flash drives may be used for on-site data retrieval, visit reports, and audit logs. A flash drive may also be used for loading system configuration files and firmware updates.

2.5 Display and Touchscreen

Axiom features an industrial-grade color display and capacitive touchscreen for easy configuration and monitoring, facilitating straightforward operation without an external device.

The graphical user interface (GUI) is designed for optimal usability in the field. Most actions, press and swipe, may be performed with a finger touch. The tethered stylus may be used for cold conditions or more intricate operations.

The touchscreen backlight activates when the screen is touched and automatically turns off after a period of activity. The active time depends on the operational mode of the data logger.

2.5.1 Care and Cleaning

The touch screen can be cleaned with a damp cloth. While the data logger is IP rated against water spray and submersion, it may be best practice to avoid spraying soapy water directly on the screen as a routine practice.

Warning: Do NOT clean the touch screen with Windex[®] or other glass cleaners that contain ammonia. The ammonia may react with the indium tin oxide (ITO), permanently degrading or damaging the electrical properties.

2.6 Mounting

Axiom data loggers are designed to mount to AEM keyhole backplates that are included in AEM field enclosures. The incremental horizontal center-to-center hole spacing is 1.6" (4.06 cm). Axiom spans five (5) slots and is described as a 5U device. (This is an AEM convention and is different from the EIA rack system standard which uses U or RU to define equipment height.)

3 General Operating Information

Axiom data loggers do not require programming. All operating characteristics can be set through the intuitive touchscreen and graphic display. The system supports password protection to control access and safeguard configurations.

The Axiom supports several internal and external telemetry options, providing solutions for a range of cost and data collection needs. Multiple telemetry devices can be installed on a single unit.

3.1 Menu and User Interface

Axiom users will encounter typical graphic user interface (GUI) elements including text boxes, spin boxes, list builders, radio buttons, and similar intuitive design elements.

The Home screen contains eight main menu categories. Refer to the Home screen section of this document and the following sections for more information on each menu.

Users can perform all routine operations through these menus. No external PC, program, or development environment is needed to operate Axiom data loggers. In some cases, such as when adding a new sensor, shortcuts or quick links are provided to bridge across main menu operations.

Except for keyboard and alert screens, a **Home** button is shown on all screens. This will immediately return the user to the home screen without saving any changes or settings.

A **Back** button is provided on most screens. It returns the user to the prior screen without saving any configuration changes.

3.2 Configuration Management

Device configuration includes specifying the site information, setting up sensor inputs, declaring measurement names and calculations, configuring telemetry transmitters, defining telemetry messages, setting log structure, and various other tasks.

3.2.1 Configuration Files

An Axiom data logger configuration can be captured as a file that includes operational details such as site, telemetry parameters, general data collection, sensors, data log, processing algorithms, and all user-configurable information.

Configuration files can be used to restore or duplicate the data logger setup. A data logger can store several system configurations but only one can be loaded (or active) at a time.

If a configuration file saved from one device is installed on a new device, the new device will mirror the original, including the GOES NESID and other site-specific parameters.

3.2.2 Configuration Methods

Methods to configure a data logger:

- Configure a new data logger from factory default settings.
- Load an existing configuration file from a USB flash drive.
 Refer to the Axiom Quick-Start Guide and the Station Menu section of this document for more information.
- Restore (load) a configuration file that is saved on the data logger.

- Modify a current, active system configuration.
- Use the Configuration Wizard to quickly install default settings for a particular application, such as US Fire Weather.

In some cases, Axiom data loggers may be pre-configured at the factory with basic settings for the sensors and telemetry included with the order. The user will need to validate these settings, set site-specific information, and configure other required features.

Configuring a data logger from factory default is done by accessing each main menu. Understanding this process will provide the background required for validating and editing installed configurations.

3.2.3 Configuration File Strategy

Users may find it helpful to preserve a standard template, a basic configuration that can be used for new data loggers. The template configuration would include standard sensors, telemetry, and logging common to a users' network.

A bench service configuration could standardize system checkout of devices retrieved from the field. Simply loading the service configuration would enable the sensors and processes used for bench testing.

A default or backup configuration can be saved on a deployed site, providing a fallback to a knowgood state.

3.3 Understanding Interval and Offset Timing

3.3.1 Timing Framework Overview

Axiom uses a consistent timing framework across multiple functions, including sensor measurements, data processing, and telemetry operations. This framework is based on two key parameters: *Interval* and *Offset*.

Interval

The *Interval* specifies how frequently an operation repeats (e.g., every 5 minutes, hourly, or daily). This creates a regular cycle of operations throughout the logger's operation.

For SDI-12 sensors, *Interval* is labeled *Measurement Interval*.

For Processes, Interval is labeled Process Interval.

Offset

The *Offset* determines the specific time when an operation begins relative to a reference point (typically midnight or the start of each interval cycle). This creates a precise schedule for when operations occur within each cycle.

For SDI-12 sensors, *Offset* is the same as *Measurement Allowance (ttt)*, an inherent characteristic of SDI-12 sensors.

For Processes, Offset is labeled Process Offset.

3.3.2 How Interval and Offset Work Together

With an Interval of 01:00:00 (one hour) and an Offset of 00:15:00 (15 minutes):

- Operations will occur every hour
- Instead of at 00:00:00, 01:00:00, 02:00:00, etc.
- They will occur at 00:15:00, 01:15:00, 02:15:00, etc.



Example: Run Process 5 min Before Every Hour

For example, with a Process Interval of 01:00:00 (1 Hour) and a Process Offset of 00:55:00 (55 minutes):

- The process will execute every 60 minutes
- Instead of running at 00:00:00, 01:00:00, 02:00:00, etc.
- It will run at 23:55:00, 00:55:00, 01:55:00, etc.

Timeline (hours)											
00:	00 01:00	02:00	03:00	04:00	05:00	06:00	07:00				
Process	executions	(P) with	01:00:00) interv	al and	00:55:00	offset:				
Р	Р	Р	Р	Р	Р	Р	Р				
1	1	1	↑	↑	1	↑	↑				
55mi	n 55min	55min	55min	55min	55min	55min	55min				

Example: Read Sensor 5 min Before Every 30 min

For example, read SDI-12 sensor every 30 min (00:30:00) and allow five minutes (00:05:00) for measurement time of sensor and follow-on processes:

• *Measurement Interval* is set for a read every 30 minutes

Measurement Allowance (ttt) is set for 5 minutes

- Instead of running at 00:00:00, 00:30:00, 01:00:00, etc.
- It will run at 00:05:00, 00:35:00, 01:05:00, etc.

Visualizing Process Timing

—— Tir	nelin	ne	(hour	rs) ——						
00	:00	00	0:30	01:00	01:30	02:00	02:30	03:00	03:30	04:00
Process	s at	30	min	interval	without	offset:				
F	0		Ρ	Р	Р	Р	Р	Р	Р	Р
Process	s at	30	min	(00:30:00) interv	val and 5	5 min (00:05:00)	offset:	
	Ρ		Ρ	Р	Р	Р	Р	Р	Р	
	↑		1	1	1	1	↑	1	1	
	05m:	in	35r	nin 05mi	.n 35m:	in 05mi	in 35	min 05m	in 35mi	in

3.3.3 Applications

This timing framework applies to:

- 1. SDI-12 Sensor Measurements: Controls when measurement commands are sent to sensors
- 2. **Process Execution**: Determines when calculations and data processing occur
- 3. Data Logging: Sets where data points are recorded to memory
- 4. **Telemetry Operations**: Controls when data is prepared for transmission

Each section of this manual will reference these timing principles, adding specific guidance where necessary.

3.3.4 Timing Considerations

When configuring timing parameters:

- 1. **Consider Dependencies**: Ensure measurements complete before processes that need their data
- 2. Account for Transmission Schedules: For telemetry operations, data must be ready before transmission times
- 3. Stagger Operations: Avoid resource conflicts by distributing high-demand operations
- 4. Allow Processing Time: Include buffer time for calculations to complete before results are needed

3.4 Battery

Axiom Data Loggers do not contain any internal batteries or user-serviceable components.

The internal solar charge controller is compatible with 12 V valve-regulated sealed lead-acid (VRSLA or VRLA) batteries. Capacities between 20 Ah to 105 Ah are used for most systems.

To ensure consistent operation, replace the battery every 5 years.

Automotive batteries are NOT compatible with Axiom Data Loggers. These flooded cell batteries use a different charge profile and can produce hydrogen gas, which is hazardous in an enclosed space with electrical circuits.

Note: Do not use lithium rechargeable batteries. These are not compatible with the charging algorithm and discharge requirements. Lithium cells also have limited temperature range, making them unsuitable for continuous outdoor use in many solar charging applications where special protection cannot be provided.

3.5 USB Host Port

The data logger includes a USB-A host port (USB 2.0) for connecting to mass storage devices such as USB flash memory drives, also known as thumb drives, memory sticks, or flash drives. "Flash drive" will be used in this document.

3.5.1 USB Flash Drive Specifications

For optimal performance, use a USB flash drive with at least 2 GB of storage. While individual files are small, this capacity ensures sufficient storage for multiple station visits. The USB Host port supports standard USB flash drives, enabling efficient data retrieval and system updates during field operations.

Station Folder

When the Station name is not provided, the Axiom Data Logger stores data in the Station folder by default. The data logger will save data to this generic Station folder if the Station field on the Site tab of the Station Setup screen is left blank. However, when a Station name is assigned to the data logger, the system creates a dedicated folder on the USB flash drive with the same name. This ensures that data for each specific site is nicely structured, with each named data logger site having its own distinct folder under the main Axiom data logger directory.

3.6 Display and Touchscreen Characteristics

The data logger's touchscreen and graphic display are the primary user interface for managing and interacting with the system. Consider the following issues when using the interface.

3.6.1 Temperature

At temperatures below -20°C, the display may respond slowly, appear pale, or lose contrast. This is normal for LCD screens in cold environments. While the display is rated for operation down to - 20°C, it may remain visible at temperatures as low as -30°C.

Despite the cold, the data logger will record data even if the screen is hard to read. The display will return to normal once temperatures rise.

3.6.2 Touch

The Axiom capacitive touchscreen requires interaction with a bare finger or the attached stylus. Metallic or pointed objects will not activate the touch interface and could lead to permanent damage.

3.6.3 Backlight

The screen backlight automatically turns on when the screen is touched. It will remain on for approximately 5 minutes after the last touch detection.

4 Home Screen

The Home screen is the main interface of the Axiom data logger's graphical user interface (GUI), and the first screen after the data logger boots. Designed for both functionality and ease of use, it is the entry point into all system operations and provides key operational information so that users may quickly assess and correct system anomalies.



4.1 Header Bar

The header bar provides essential contextual information for quick reference.

For the home screen, the header contains the station name. In other cases, the header shows a breadcrumb representing the menu path to the screen, such as Sensors > Add New



- Station Name: The left side shows an icon for the current menu (or home). This is followed by the station or site name to let users easily identify the station or deployment location.
- **Time:** Local time with UTC offset (e.g., 12:34:24 UTC+1) is displayed on the right. This ensures accurate time tracking for data logging and system operations.

4.2 Main Menus

The Home screen includes the following menus:

- <u>Station</u>: This menu contains device and site-specific information, including software version, serial number, and production date. Station name, location, power management, and configuration management are accessed through each of the tabs.
- **Sensors**: All sensor management, including editing existing sensors and adding few sensors.
- Manage SDI-12: Unique tools for managing SDI-12 sensors, including address mapping and testing functions. Supports automatic sensor detection and manual command input.
- **Datalog**: Manages logging settings, including logging intervals and selected data points.

- **Processes :** Facilitates the creation of statistical calculations, user variables, and custom scripts. Process outputs are treated as data points that can be displayed, logged or transmitted.
- **Current Conditions**: Shows real-time values of selected data points. Data points automatically refresh to show the latest values.
- **Telemetry**: Configures internal telemetry options as well as Aux Com telemetry port settings for specific devices and displays status information.
- **Service**: Provides tools for setting the date and time, managing audit logs, rain gauge calibration, and site visit reports.

4.3 Home Carousel

The Home Carousel displays real time data from user-selected sensors to provide immediate insights into site status. Each reading is accompanied by a timestamp to show currency.



Users can swipe left or right to view up to 9 continuously updated data points for real-time system insights. See Current Conditions Menu section for information on selecting these values.

4.4 Status Bar

The Status Indicators provide critical information about the system's operational health and power status.



- *GOES Transmission Status*: Indicates the time remaining until the next scheduled GOES transmission.
- *Battery Status*: Displays the current battery voltage and its charging status. This helps users monitor the power supply and ensure the data logger is operating within expected voltage levels.

4.5 Alerts and Errors – Future Feature

The Status screen provides an overview of the system's general health along with the status of individual components. It highlights any alerts or errors detected, allowing users to identify potential issues.

1. Press the **Alerts and Errors** button on the Home screen. The Status screen is displayed.



- 2. Press **Back** button to go back to the Home screen.
 - Or

Press the **Start Visit Report** button to start creating the report.

Start Visit Report

The Start Visit Report allows users to generate a visit report, which records the current system status, and any issues observed during the system check.

Refer to the Start Visit Report section under **Service** menu for more information.

5 Station Menu

The **Station** menu provides high-level data logger and site information, the main power management settings, and configuration file management.

5.1 Site Tab

The <u>Site</u> tab is used to view and modify site-specific details for the data logger, including location data and site description.

The GPS/GNSS receiver provides automatic time, lat-lon, and elevation values (See *Telemetry* > GPS > Settings). Since these values can float from reading to reading, manually entered "Surveyed" data is used for stable location values.

The surveyed elevation is used for barometric pressure calculations.

1. Press the **Station** menu on the Home screen. The <u>Site</u> tab is displayed.



- 2. Enter the desired *Station Name* using any alphanumeric text string. The data logger displays the name as a single line with a character limit of 25 characters.
- 3. Provide a brief *Description* of the station. The data logger displays three lines of text in a textbox.
- 4. Press the Save button to save and apply the changes.

5.2 About Tab

The <u>About</u> tab provides basic information about the data logger such as its model, serial number, firmware version, and manufacturing date. These details are automatically generated and displayed by the data logger.

💡 Stat	ion			00:00:00	(UTC)
Site	About	Setup	Pwr Mgt		
Copyrigh	+ @ 2024	ETS For	et Tochn	alagias Systems I to All right	record
Copyrigh	11 @ 2024	FISFOR	sciecini	ologies systemsEtd. All rights	s reserved.
A					Save

- 1. The *Model* is assigned to the data logger during the manufacturing process.
- 2. Each data logger is allocated a unique *Serial Number*.
- 3. The *Date of Manufacture* specifies when the data logger was manufactured at and is presented in the format YYYY-MM-DD.

The *Firmware Version* identifies the software used by the data logger. It does not include the data logger's configuration details.

<u>Note</u>: See the Technical Support Portal>software updates at http://www.ftsenvironmental.com/support/Software_updates/ for instructions and access to latest update.

5.3 Setup Tab

The <u>Setup</u> tab allows users to save and install system configuration files.

Configuration files include *all* operational settings. Refer to the General Operating Information section for more information.

 Note a template is created, it is recommended that this be used for configuring new units.

 © Station
 00:00:00 (UTC)

 Site
 About
 Setup
 Pwr Mgt

 Backup Configuration
 Restore Configuration
 Save

5.3.1 Save Configuration

The Backup Configuration screen allows saving the file to a USB drive or to the local file system.

1. Press the **Save Configuration** button on the <u>Setup</u> tab. The Station > Save Configuration screen is displayed.



- 2. Select one of the options given:
 - *Save to USB* The configuration file is to the written USB flash drive using the specified *File Name*, which is user editable.
 - *Save to Local Configuration Folder* Local files are saved using an automatically generated unique ID. Multiple files may be saved and restored.

- 3. The *File Name* field displays the current file name and allows users to modify it as required.
 - Press the **Edit** button to access the keypad and enter the desired file name.
- 4. Press the Save button to save and apply the changes.

5.3.2 Load Configuration

Load Configuration is used to load a configuration file from a USB flash drive or local file.

1. Press the Load Configuration button in the <u>Setup</u> tab. The Restore Configuration screen is displayed.



- 2. Select Source:
 - USB Loads configuration files from the USB drive to the data logger.
 - *Local*. Loads a configuration file from the data logger's internal storage.
- 3. The right-hand pane displays available configuration files based on the selected source. Select the desired file to restore.
 - o If files are not visible, toggle the radio button to refresh the list.
- 4. Press the Load Config button.

The Warning screen is displayed.



5. Press the **No** button to decline and go back to the previous screen. Or

Press the **Yes** button to confirm and replace the configuration. The Confirmation message is displayed.



6. Press the **Home** button to go back to the Home screen.

5.3.3 Configuration Wizard – Future Release

The Configuration Wizard allows users to replace the existing (or Factory Reset) configuration with a pre-built configuration. These built-in templates are created by AEM for large customers or common configurations. These may be used to jumpstart new device setup or restore a corrupted configuration.

1. Press the **Configuration Wizard** button in the <u>Set Up</u> tab.

The Select Installation screen is displayed, listing all the available configurations.



- 2. Select the desired configuration to install. (US Fire wizard is used for these instructions.)
- 3. Press the **Next** button and enter the site name.

En	ter y	your	r site	e na	me	:											N	ext	
																	Ba	ack	
(כ	V	V	E		F	2	-	Г	`	1	ι	J		I	(2	Ρ	,
	1	4	S	5	٦)		F	(3	ŀ	ł	,	J	ł	(l	-	
-	-	Z	Z)	(C)	١	/	E	3	1	1	N	Λ			e	3
1	↑ CAPS 123 🖉 RETURN																		

4. Press the **Next** button.

A screen with station specific information is displayed. Review the information displayed on the screen and adjust as required.

Station > Wiza	00:00:0	00 (UTC)							
Check the information below and edit for accuracy.									
GOES NESID		Ľ	GOES Primary Channel		Ľ				
Period	00:00	۷	GOES First Transmit Time	00:00	Ľ				
GOES Channel Length (Seconds)		Ľ	Baud Rate	0 300	0 1200				
A Bac	ĸ				Next 🕨				

- 5. Set the GOES NESID assigned by NESDIS.
- 6. Enter the GOES Primary Channel provided with the NESID.
- 7. Set the Period for the NESID.
- 8. Set the GOES First Transmit Time associated with the NESID.
- 9. Configure the GOES Channel Length.
- 10. Select the appropriate Baud Rate (300 or 1200) to match the NESID assignment.
- Press the Next button and select the correct configuration for antenna. Select the appropriate configuration for the antenna from the options provided.

Station > Wizard > US Fire	00:00:00 (UTC)									
Select the correct configuration for your antenna.										
O Directional										
O Omni-Directional										
Back	Next 🕨									

- *Directional* Directional antennas focus the signal in one direction for better transmission over longer distances, but they require exact alignment.
- *Omni-Directional* Omni-directional antennas broadcast in all directions, ideal when precise alignment isn't possible, or the satellite position varies.
- 12. Press the **Next** button again. The Select Sensor screen is displayed.

Q Station > Wizard > US Fire	00:00:00 (UTC)
Required	Optional
RG-T : Rain Gauge	FS-3: Fuel Stick
THS-3 : Temp-Humidit	SDI-SR-PYR : Solar Radiation SDI-12 address 1
SDI-WS-RMY : Wind SDI-12 address 0	S-HPII-CON : Soil Moisture Probe SDI-12 address 2
	SDI-BP-1: Barometric Pressure SDI-12 address 3
A Back	Next 🕨

- a. The *Required* sensor column displays the list of all the essential sensors that cannot be moved.
- b. Select sensors from the *Optional* sensor list as required.
- 13. Press the **Next** button and review the information displayed.



The screen summarizes the new settings. Review all details for accuracy before selecting Confirm to proceed.

Or

Press the **Back** button to make changes.

14. Press the **Confirm** button to proceed. The Confirmation message is displayed.



15. Press the Home button to go back to the Home screen.

5.4 Power Management Tab

The <u>Pwr Mgt</u> (Power Management) tab lets users configure power settings to optimize battery usage and maintain system operation. When the battery voltage falls below the cut-off level, the data logger enters low-power standby mode, shutting down SDI bus power, telemetry, data logging, and the touchscreen. Normal operation resumes when the voltage recovers.

VRSLA batteries are considered fully depleted at 10.5 V. Discharge below this level can result in a reduced life span. Maximum cycle life would limit discharge to about 50%, or about 12.0 V. Users may prioritize battery life versus data collection differently for their application, such as operating as low as 9.6 V.

Important: Cut-off values for integrated devices, such as GOES, Iridium, and AirTalk (RVT2 module) include their own internal operating voltages. Setting the cut-off below these values does not guarantee operation of all devices.

Station
00:00:00 (UTC)

Site
About

Setup
Pwr Mgt

Datalogger

V Cut-off
V Resume

V Cut-off

Save

When in cut-off mode, briefly touching the screen will temporarily show the home screen.

- 1. Set the *VCut-off* level to define the battery voltage at which the data logger reduces power consumption or shuts down to prevent battery depletion.
- 2. Set the *VResume* level to specify the battery voltage required for the data logger to automatically resume normal operation after recharging.
- 3. Press the **Save** button to save and apply the changes.
6 Sensors Menu

The <u>Sensors</u> menu provides functions to configure and manage sensor settings for the Axiom data logger.

6.1 Sensor Classification

Axiom uses internal and external sensors. There are two types of external sensors, dedicated analog and SDI-12.

- Internal Sensors: Factory-installed on the data logger, these include the Battery Sensor, Case Temperature Sensor, and Solar Power Sensor. They are used for system the solar charge control algorithm and are also available for data logging, telemetry, and system monitoring.
- Dedicated Analog Sensors (F7 only): Two analog ports are dedicated to specific AEM sensors, one for a combination temperature and humidity (THS-1) and the other to fuel moisture (fuel stick, FS-3).
- **SDI-12 Sensors:** Four independent SDI-12 port are compatible with a broad range of sensors. Pre-configured profiles are available for AEM sensors. A "generic" interface is used for all other sensors.

Measurements from all inputs can be logged on a scheduled or conditional basis.

6.2 Sensor Operating Theory

Each sensor has a *Sensor Name* field. (See Data Point Names section below.)

A sensor may provide more than one measurement.

Each measurement has a measurement name field (data point name).

All external sensors have a Measurement Interval. This is the rate that the sensor will be read or polled.

Internal sensors are read periodically, as determined by internal processes.

The value from each sensor reading is stored in the Axiom datastore, regardless of log settings.

6.3 Data Point Names

Sensors, measurements, variables, functions, processes, and calculations all require a name to be logged, displayed, or transmitted. These names are collectively referred to as *data points* or *data point names*.

Internal sensors have default sensors and measurement names.

External sensors (analog and SDI-12) do not have default names. When a new sensor is added, the profile fields will be blank or show a null value "-".

Like declaring in a computer program, each sensor and measurement must be assigned a name before it is available for use.

6.3.1 Native Data Points – Future Release

Axiom Data Loggers contains several types of built-in or native data points that provide essential system information. These native data points include time, date, geographic information, system meta data, and internal telemetry information.

Data Point Name	Description
t_dd	Day of month
t_doy	Day of year
t_HH	Hours (24 hour clock)
t_mm	Minutes
T_MM	Months
t_ss	Seconds
t_TZ	UTC time offset (eg. Pacific = -8)
t_уууу	Year
Lat	Latitude
Long	Longitude
Elev	Elevation

Native data points may be used for processes, logging, telemetry, and scripting.

If the data logger is operating with a G6 transmitter, the following additional built-in data points will be available:

Data Point Name	Description
Serial Number	G6 serial number
YB	Power Supply during transmission
YF	Forward Power
YR	Reflected Power
SWR	Standing Wave Ratio
VLoad	

6.4 Data Point Name Rules

To avoid conflicts, user-defined data point names, including those for sensor data points, must meet the following rules.

- Names must be unique.
- Names are case sensitive.
- Names must begin with a letter.
- Names can only contain uppercase letters (A-Z), lowercase letters (a-z), numerals (0-9), or hyphen character ("-").
- Spaces are not allowed.
- Name must start with a letter.
- Names must not match any reserved terms.
- Names must be 1 to 25 characters.

6.4.1 Reserved Terms

0	ABS	0	IF	0	SteinhC	0	t_dd
0	ACOS	0	INT	0	SWR	0	t_doy
0	ASIN	0	LN	0	t_DySince	0	t_HH
0	AT	0	Lat Long	0	t_DySYr	0	t_mm
0	ATAN	0	MAX	0	t_HrSince	0	t_MM
0	CMD	0	MIN	0	t_HrSYr	0	t_ss
0	COS	0	MOD	0	t_lsLeap	0	t_TZ
0	Elev	0	PI	0	t_MnSince	0	t_yyyy
0	ELSE	0	POW	0	t_MnSYr	0	YB
0	ERR	0	SIN	0	t_SeSince	0	YF
0	EXP	0	SQRT	0	TAN	0	YR
0	FRAC						

How are the rules enforced? Error message, field highlight, blocking of "save"?

When a data point name is changed, how is the data store affected?

If a data point name is changed, are all implementations updated, such as telemetry and logging or do these each need to be edited?

6.5 Adding New Sensors – General Process

Adding new sensors follows a standard process. Since internal are installed be default, these differ slightly. The process includes:

- 1. Press **Sensors** main menu.
- 2. Press the Add button on the bottom right.



3. Select the tile representing the desired sensor profile.



4. Configure sensor using a series of tabbed screen. These set the sensor name, data point names, measurement interval, SDI-12 address, and other sensor-specific operating characteristics.

- √- Sen	sors > Co	nfigure TH	IS			00:00:	00 (UTC	C)
Status	Sensor	Setup						
Temp AT	C			O ⊧	Oc	Precision	0.0	Ľ
Hum RH					lip at 0% nd 100%	Precision	0.0	Ľ
Dew Point DT	С					Precision	0.0	Ľ
A	∢ Bac	k					Sav	/e

- √ Sen	sors > Co	nfigure Tl	HS		00:00:00 (UTC)
Status	Sensor	Setup			
Sensor N	lame	THS		Ľ	
Measurement Interval 00:00:00			Ľ		
A	◀ Bac	k			Save

<u>Note</u>: At this point, a sensor is "defined" and a new tile will appear on the Sensors screen. Measurement data points will be available for data logging, processes, and monitoring.

Processes, data logging, and current condition settings are not required to define a sensor; those can be configured later.

- After saving the above, the Additional Setup screen provides quick links to calculation processes, data logging, and current condition menus.
- Once a sensor is configured a new tile will appear on the Sensors screen. The Processes screen will show a similar tile. Data logging and Current Conditions screens will similarly show new settings that were added using Additional Setup features.

6.6 Internal Sensors

Axiom includes three preinstalled internal sensors: Battery, Case Temp, and Solar Power. These default sensors provide essential system operating input. They can also be accessed by the user for system monitoring, logging, and telemetry.

In the factory default condition, the Sensors screen shows tiles for only the internal sensors. All other sensors must be added manually or with a configuration file.

Select the desired sensor tile to view the status and edit the configuration.



6.7 Battery Sensor

The Battery sensor monitors the logger's battery voltage, current, and temperature. Battery current may be positive or negative, corresponding to charging and discharging. The AEM battery cable includes a thermistor that must be secured to the battery for proper operation.

6.7.1 Battery Sensor Configuration

Status

The <u>Status</u> tab displays the user-defined *Datapoint Names* alongside *Current Values*.

- √ Sen	sors > Ba	ttery		00:00:00 (UTC)				
Status	Setup							
Datapoint Names			Current Values					
Vbatt			13.4 V					
Ibatt			1.1 A					
Tbatt			42.1 C					
A	∢ Ba	ck		Save				

Setup

Sensors > Battery 00:00:00 (UTC) Status Setup Sensor Name Battery Ľ K V Voltage Vbatt Current 🕑 A lbatt OF OC Temprature Tbatt Back Save

The <u>Setup</u> tab enables editing of data point names and other settings.

- 1. *Sensor Name* is pre-set to 'Battery' and can be modified as required. The user-defined name appears on the sensor tile in the Sensors screen for quick reference.
- Assign custom names to *Voltage*(default: Vbatt), *Current*(default: lbatt), and *Temperature* (default: Tbatt).
- 3. Select temperature units: *F*(Fahrenheit) or *C*(Celsius).
- 4. Select the *Active* checkbox to enable the sensor. It allows the data logger to read the sensor data and enables calculations and processes to operate correctly without errors.
 - If the checkbox is cleared, the sensor remains active for internal process but it will not be read by the data logger. Any calculations or processes that rely on the sensor's readings will report an error.
- 5. Press the **Save** button to save and apply the changes and apply the changes.

6.8 Solar Power Sensor

The Solar Power sensor measures the voltage and current of the solar panel input. Depending on the battery's level of charge, insolation on the panel, and the charge controller state, these values may closely match the battery or may differ significantly.

6.8.1 Solar Power Sensor Configuration

Status

The <u>Status</u> tab displays user-defined data points under *Datapoint Names* with real-time values for solar input.

- → Sens	sors > So	lar Power		00:00:00 (UTC)
Status	Setup			
Datap	oint Nan	nes	Current Values	
VSolar			19.5 V	
ISolar			1.2 A	
A	∢ Ba	ck		Save

Setup

The <u>Setup</u> tab provides a simple interface for configuring and monitoring essential solar power system properties. Users can configure the sensor's details and control its operation.

- → Sens	sors > So	olar Power			00:00:0	0 (UTC)
Status	Setup					
Sensor I	Name	Solar	Ľ			
Voltage		VSolar	Ľ	V		
Current		ISolar	Ľ	А		
A	∢ Ba	ack				Save

- 1. *Sensor Name* is pre-set to 'Solar' and can be modified as required. The user-defined name also appears on the sensor button in the Sensors screen for quick reference.
- 2. Specify custom names for *Voltage* (default: VSolar) and *Current* (default: ISolar).
- 3. Select the *Active* checkbox to enable the sensor. It allows the data logger to read the sensor data and enables calculations and processes to operate correctly without errors.
 - If the checkbox is left unselected, the sensor remains active for internal process but it will not be read by the data logger, and any calculations or processes that rely on the sensor's readings will report an error.
- 4. Press the **Save** button to save and apply the changes and apply the changes.

6.9 Case Temp Sensor

The internal Case Temp sensor measures inside the logger's housing. This sensor helps ensure that internal components operate within their safe thermal range.

6.9.1 Case Temp Sensor Configuration

Status

The <u>Status</u> tab displays the real-time internal temperature of the data logger. The value refreshes automatically.

- → Sen	sors > Ca	00:00:00 (UTC)		
Status	Setup			
Datap	oint Nan	nes	Current Values	
Tcase			44.5°C	
•				
f	d Ba	ck		Save

Setup

The <u>Setup</u> tab helps to configure and monitor the key parameters of the Case Temp sensor, including the sensor name and temperature units.

✓ Sensors > Case Temp					0	0:00:0	0 (UTC)
Status	Setup						
Sensor	Name	CaseTemp		Ľ			
Temper	ature	TCase		Ľ	O F	0	С
A	∢ Ba	ack					Save

- 1. *Sensor Name* is pre-set to 'TCase' and can be modified as required. The user-defined name also appears on the sensor tile on the Sensors screen.
- 2. Select the desired temperature units.
 - \circ *C*(Celsius)
 - *F*(Fahrenheit)
- 3. Select the *Active* checkbox to enable the sensor. It allows the data logger to read the sensor data and enables calculations and processes that include the data point.
 - If the checkbox is left unselected, the sensor will not be read by the data logger, and any calculations or processes that rely on the sensor's readings will report an error.
- 4. Press the **Save** button to save and apply the changes and apply the changes.

6.10 External Sensors

The Sensors > Add screen shows tiles for a range of sensors available from AEM. These tiles initiate a sensor configuration UI flow that presents the screens required to fully configure the features.



Once a sensor is configured, a new on the active sensor screen with the sensor name. Users can press the sensor's button to view and edit the associated parameters.

6.11 Temp-Humidity (THS-3) Sensor Configuration

The Temp-Humidity (THS-3) sensor measures both temperature and relative humidity. It uses an enclosed thermistor to measure temperature and a capacitive humidity transducer to calculate relative humidity. The sensor produces a voltage corresponding to relative humidity (O-1 VDC for O-100% RH).

Note: The following instructions presume that the user is setting up a new THS-3.

For existing sensors, the sequence does not include the *Additional Setup* screen. These features would be accessed through the respective main menu, Processes, Datalog, and Current Condition.

6.11.1 Temp-Humidity Sensor Setup

Status Tab

The <u>Status</u> tab provides real-time temperature ($^{\circ}C/^{\circ}F$) and humidity (%). These values will be initial blank when configuring a new sensor.

- Sen	sors > Co	nfigure TI	IS	00:00:00 (UTC)
Status	Sensor	Setup		
Datap	Datapoint Names		Current Values	
ATC			44.5°F	
RH			38%	
DTC			20.6°F	
A	▲ Bac	k		Save

Sensor Tab

Use the <u>Sensor</u> tab to set the sensor name, measurement interval, and activity status.

- Sensors > Configure THS						0 (UTC)
Status	Sensor	Setup				
Sensor Name		THS	(3		
Measurement Interval 00:00:		00:00:00	(Ľ		
A	∢ Bac	:k				Save

- 1. Sensor Name appears on the tile in the Sensors screen.
- 2. *Measurement Interval* specifies the frequency at which the temperature and humidity measurements will be saved to the datastore.
- 3. Press the **Save** button to save and apply the changes.

Setup Tab

The <u>Setup</u> tab configures data point names, precision, and units for temperature, humidity, and dew point.

✓► Sensors > Configure THS						00:00:0	DO (UTC	;)
Status	Sensor	Setup						
Temp ATC	C		•	O ⊧	O c	Precision	0.0	Ľ
Hum RH				O Cli an	p at 0% d 100%	Precision	0.0	Ľ
Dew Point DT	С					Precision	0.0	۷
A	┥ Bac	k					Sav	е

- 1. *Temp* is data point name field for the temperature measurement value.
 - o Select the unit for temperature measurement in the **Unit** field.
 - *F*(Fahrenheit)
 - *C*(Celsius)
- 2. *Hum* is the data point name for the relative humidity, RH.
 - Due to the nature of the capacitive sensing element, it can sometimes show values below 0% (negative) and above 100%. In some cases, this can be useful information. Otherwise, select *Clip at 0% & 100%* to restrict humidity to the normal range.
- 3. *Dew Point* is calculated automatically from temperature and relative humidity. The data point name is assigned in this field.
- 4. Specify the *Precision* for temperature, humidity, and dew point.
- 5. Press the **Save** button to save and apply the changes.

When configuring new sensors, the **Save** button presents the *Additional Setup* screen. This page helps guide users to **Process**, **Data logging**, and **Current Conditions** menus.



When editing an existing sensor, **Back** and **Save** will return to the Sensors screen.

6.11.2 Temp-Humidity Processes – Statistical Calculations

From the Additional Setup screen, press the **Processes** button.



Sample Tab

The <u>Sample</u> tab configures the data set and measurement characteristics of the statistical calculations.

- → Sens	sors > /	00:00:00 (UTC)			
Sample	Temp	Humidity	Dew Point			
Process	Name	THstuff	Ľ			
Process Interval		00:20:20	Ľ	Process Offset	00:00:00	Ľ
Window Length		00:00:00	Ľ	Calculated Samples		
Required Samples	l Min		Ľ	Value if Sensor Error		Ľ
A	•	Back				Save

- 1. *Process Name* is the process name that will show on the active processes tile that is accessed from the main **Process** menu.
- 2. Set the *Process Interval* to specify how often the calculations occur.
- 3. *Process Offset* is used to execute the calculations prior to the clock time.
 - Example: An interval of 00:01:00 and an offset of 00:00:55 means readings will be taken every minute at the 55 second mark (eg: at 00:10:55, 00:11:55, 00:12:55, etc.). In this example, the specified offset ensures a measurement has been made and is available for logging on the minute mark.
 - Refer to Process Interval and Offset in the Processes Menu section for more information.
- 4. *Window Length* establishes the duration over which data is gathered for averaging calculations.
- 5. *Estimated Samples* dynamically updates and displays the calculated samples based on the *Measurement Interval* for the sensor.
 - Example: If Tem-Humidity sensor is configured for 1 minute *Measurement Interval* and *Window Length* is 10 minutes, *Estimated Samples* will show 10.
- 6. *Required Min Samples* defines the minumum number of samples that are required for accurate calculations.
 - Communication errors, sensor failures, or other disruptions may cause some seansor readings to be missed. An average that is calculated from only 2 samples may be considered unreliable. Setting *Required Min Samples* to 3 would block the process.
- 7. Specify a default value in the *Value if Sensor Error* field to be recorded in case of sensor error.
 - A value of 999 or some other would populate the fields if a error occurs.

Temperature Tab

Temp consolidates all statistical calculations on a single tab.

A data point name is required for the calculation to occur; blank or "-" (null) data point names will not store a value.

- Sensors > Add THS > Statistical Calculations 00:00:00 (UTC						
Sample	Temp	Humidity	Dew Point			
Temp Inp	out	ATC	Ľ	Average		Ľ
Sample (Count	10	C	Modian		C
Name		10		Median		6
Minimum	ı		Ľ	Delta		Ľ
Maximur	~		1	Standard		1
Maximum -			2	Deviation		6
A	•	Back				Save

- 1. *Temp Input* is the sensor name to be used for the calculations.
- 2. Sample Count Name specifies the name field for the sample count.
 - In some cases, it may be important to log the number of measurements used for the calculation processes. This field is the data point name that will identify the value.
- 3. **Minimum/Maximum/Average/Median/Delta/Standard Deviation** are the data point name fields for the respective calculations. If a field is left blank, no calculation is performed on that parameter. The generated data points function similarly to any other in the data logger and can be used for logging, telemetry, additional process computations, or other operational purposes.
- 4. Save will record the changes to all tabs.
- 5. For new sensors, **Back** will return to the Additional Setup screen. If **Save** was not executed, all changes will be lost.



Humidity and Dew Point Tabs

The <u>Humidity</u> and <u>Dew Point</u> tabs operate in the same manner as <u>Temp</u>.

Utilize the previous instructions to configure statistical computations for humidity and dew point and press **Save** to record the changes on all tabs.

- Sen	(UTC)					
Sample	Temp	Humidity	Dew Point			
Humidity	/ Input	RH	Ľ	Average		Ľ
Sample Name	Count	10	Ľ	Delta		Ľ
Minimum	ı		Ľ	Median		Ľ
Maximur	n		Ľ	Standard Deviation		Ľ
A		Back				Save
- → Sens	ors > /	Add THS > S	tatistical	Calculations	00:00:00) (UTC)
Sample	Temp	Humidity	Dew Point			
Dew Poir Input	nt	DTC	Ľ	Average		Ľ
Sample (Name	Count	10	Ľ	Delta		Ľ
Minimum			Ľ	Median		Ľ

Standard

Deviation

Ľ

Save

When adding a new sensor, pressing **Back** from the above Sensors > Add THS > Statistical Calculations screen will return to the Additional Setup menu screen.

Ľ

When editing an existing sensor, **Back** will return to the Sensors screen.

Back

Maximum

f

6.11.3 Temp-Humidity Data Logging

From the Additional Setup screen, press the **Data Logging** button.



<u>Note</u>: Depending on the application and intent, users may find it more convenient to create data log definitions automatically during the telemetry configuration process.

To log data from each sensor:

- 1. Press the **Data Logging** Additional Setup screen.
- 2. Press 'Add button to create a new data log interval.

0

Press View Details to open an existing log definition.

비 Data > Loggi	ng Inter	vals	00:00:	00 (UTC)
Select Log to View Details				
🔒 🖣	ack		View Details	+

3. Create or edit the log definition.



- a. Select an *Available* data point name from the left column add (+) this to the *Selected* list on the right-hand side.
- b. Continue adding to or removing names from the list until all the variables users want to log into display on the right-hand side.

Re-order the *Selected* list using the up and down arrows.

- c. Enter the log *Interval* that will be used to extract measurements from the data store.
- d. *Offset* may be set to match a sensor *Measurement Allowance*. Otherwise, the dynamic log will identify the entry with the time stamp closest to the Interval.

For more information on *Measurement Interval* and *Measurement Allowance*, refer to the Understanding Interval and Offset Timing section under General Operating information.

- e. Select *Conditional* if the log is based on specific conditions that will trigger a log entry.
- f. Press the **Next** button to save the changes. If conditional logging is enabled, the screen will advance to the Conditions screen.

II Data > Logging I	ditions 00:00:00 (UTC)	
Available Variables	Operators	Condition Type
	0 >	🔵 Value 1234567 🛛 🗹
O ws	0 >=	O Change since last logged value
O RH	Q <	Change in last 00:00:00
O FH	Q <=	•
O FT	O =	Expression Elev > 0
O WD		
🔒 🖣 Back		Finish

g. For conditional logging, select the variable, operator, and value that define the condition.

Expression will show the Boolean expression to be used for the conditional trigger.

h. Press the **Finish** button to save the changes.



When editing an existing log, **Finish** will return to the *Datalog* screen.

📕 Data > Loggi	ng Intervals		00:00:0	0 (UTC)
Select Log to View Details				
A B	ack	C	View Details	+

6.11.4 Temp-Humidity Current Conditions

From the Additional Setup screen, press the **Current Conditions** button.



Use the list builder to select items from *Available* and add them to the *Selected* list.

Note: The Current Conditions page is limited to 25 data points.

<u>Note</u>: The Home screen carousel displays up to nine data points simultaneously. Future updates will expand this limit and allow users to customize the displayed data points according to their preferences.

Current Conditions > Edit	00:00:00 (UTC)
Available Variables	Current List
Elev Ibatt Lat Long SD_zero	ISolar SD_raw smp_code sr_bestQ
🔒 🖣 Back	Save

1. Use the **Move Right** and **Move Left Arrow** buttons to transfer data points between the *Available* and *Selected* columns.

The **Up** and **Down Arrow** buttons allow users to adjust the order of selected data points. The configured data points will be displayed on the *Current Conditions* and *Home* screens.

For new sensor configuration, **Save** will confirm the recording of the settings. **Back** will return to Additional Setup screen. Pressing **Back** before **Save** will cause all changes to be lost.



6.12 Fuel Stick (FS-3) Sensor Configuration

The Fuel Stick (FS-3) sensor is an analog to moisture content of natural fuels. This sensor simulates 10-hour fuel moisture by measuring temperature and humidity within a wooden dowel, a useful indicator of risk and potential fire behavior.

6.12.1 Fuel Stick Sensor Setup

Status Tab

The <u>Status</u> tab provides real-time visibility into fuel-related metrics, reflecting configurations defined in the <u>Setup</u> tab for immediate monitoring.

✓ Sensors > Fuel Stick				00:00:00 (UTC)
Status	Sensor	Setup		
Datap	oint Nan	nes	Current Values	
FT			39.2 C	
FH			11.5%	
A	∢ Bac	k		Save

Sensor Tab

The <u>Sensor</u> tab enables configuration of operational settings for the Fuel Stick sensor, including activation and sampling frequency.

✓→ Sensors > Fuel Stick					00:00:00 (UTC))
Status	Sensor	Setup				
Sensor N	Name	Fuel Stick	(Ľ		
Measur Interval	ement	00:00:00		Ľ		
A	∢ Bac	k			Save	e

- 1. *Sensor Name* is pre-set to 'Fuel Stick' and can be modified as required. The user-defined name also appears on the sensor button in the Sensors screen for quick reference.
- 2. *Measurement Interval* specifies the frequency at which the rain gauge sensor records data.
- 3. Select the *Active* checkbox to enable the sensor. It allows the data logger to read the sensor data and enables calculations and processes to operate correctly without errors.
 - If the checkbox is left unselected, the sensor will not be read by the data logger, and any calculations or processes that rely on the sensor's readings will report an error.

Setup Tab

The <u>Setup</u> tab configures data points for fuel monitoring, allowing customization of parameter names and measurement settings for precise environmental tracking.

→ Sensors > Fuel Stick						00:00:	00 (U	TC)
Status	Sensor	Setup						
Temp TFu	ıel		Ľ	O	Oc	Precision	0.0	Ľ
Hum HFt	lei		6 %	RH O	Clip at 0% and 100%	Precision	0.0	Ľ
Moisture	MFuel			1 %		Precision	0.0	Ľ
A	∢ Bac	k					s	ave

- 1. *Temp* displays the default name for temperature, set to TFuel by default. This name can be changed as required.
 - o Select the unit for temperature measurement in the Unit field.
 - *F*(Fahrenheit)
 - *C*(Celsius)
- 2. *Hum* displays the default name for humidity, set to HFuel by default. This name can be changed as required.
 - Select the *Clip at 0% & 100%* to restrict sensor readings to 0%-100%. Values above 100% (1V) are recorded as 100%, while those below 0% (0V) are reported as 0%.

If not selected, an error (ERR) will be reported if the sensor reads outside of its range (higher than 117%).

- 3. *Moisture* displays the default name for moisture, set to MFuel by default. This name can be changed as required.
- 4. Set the precision for temperature, humidity, and moisture readings in the *Precision* field. This helps ensure accurate measurement of atmospheric moisture.
- 5. Press the **Save** button to save and apply the changes.

When configuring new sensors, the **Save** button presents the *Additional Setup* screen. This page helps guide users to **Process**, **Data logging**, and **Current Conditions** menus.



When editing an existing sensor, **Back** and **Save** will return to the Sensors screen.

6.12.2 Fuel Stick Processes – Statistical Calculations

From the Additional Setup screen, press the **Processes** button.

Note: When editing existing sensors, users will access **Processes** directly from the main menu.

The Processes screen manages automated data analysis for the Fuel Stick sensor, configuring sampling parameters and statistical calculations to support fire behavior monitoring.

1. Press the **Processes** button on the Additional Setup screen. The *Processes* screen is displayed.



Sample Tab

The <u>Sample</u> tab defines how the Fuel Stick sensor manages data and enhances the sensor's ability to monitor fuel conditions.



- 1. *Process Name* displays a default name, which can be modified as needed. The user-defined name helps identify the process when managing multiple statistical calculations.
- 2. Define the *Process Interval* to determine how frequently the input value is sampled to calculate temperature, humidity, and moisture. Shorter intervals provide more precise data.
- 3. Configure the *Process Offset* to set the specific time for sensor readings, ensuring measurements are completed and available before scheduled transmissions.
 - Refer to Process Interval and Offset in the Processes Menu section for more information.
- 4. Specify the *Window Length* to establish the duration over which data is gathered for averaging calculations.
- 5. *Estimated Samples* dynamically updates and displays the calculated samples based on the sampling parameters provided.
- 6. Set the *Required Minimum Samples* to ensure the process only executes when the defined number of samples is available for accurate calculations.

7. Specify a default value in the *Value if Sensor Error* field to be recorded in case of sensor error.

Fuel Temperature Tab

The <u>Fuel Temp</u> tab configures statistical analysis for temperature data, enabling detailed tracking of thermal conditions in fuel.

- Sensors > Add Fuel > Statistical Calculations 00:00:00							
Sample	Fuel Temp	Fuel Humidity	Fuel Moisture				
Fuel Terr Input	ıp	TFuel	Ľ	Average		Ľ	
Sample (Name	Count	10	Ľ	Median		Ľ	
Minimum	ı		Ľ	Delta		Ľ	
Maximum			Ľ	Standard Deviation		Ľ	
♠	4 E	lack				Save	

- 1. *Fuel Temp Input* displays the default name for fuel temperature input, set to TFuel by default. This name can be changed as required.
- 2. Sample Count Name specifies the number of samples taken during the sample period.
- 3. *Minimum/Maximum/Average/Median/Delta/Standard Deviation* specify the names of the data points created in the data logger to store the most recent calculations. If a field is left blank, no calculation is performed on that parameter. The generated data points function similarly to any other in the data logger and can be used for logging, telemetry, additional process computations, or other operational purposes.

Fuel Humidity Tab

The <u>Fuel Humidity</u> tab configures statistical analysis for humidity data, supporting precise monitoring for fire risk assessment.

- √ Sen	分→ Sensors > Add Fuel > Statistical Calculations 00:00:00 (UTC)								
Sample	Fuel Temp	Fuel Humidit	Fuel y Moisture						
Fuel Hun Input	nidity	HFuel	Ľ	Average		Ľ			
Sample (Name	Sample Count Name		Ľ	Median		Ľ			
Minimum	Minimum		Ľ	Delta		Ľ			
Maximum			Ľ	Standard Deviation		Ľ			
A	•	Back				Save			

- 1. *Fuel Humidity Input* displays the default name for humidity input, set to HFuel by default. This name can be changed as required.
- 2. Sample Count Name specifies the number of samples taken during the sample period.
- 3. *Minimum/Maximum/Average/Median/Delta/Standard Deviation* specify the names of the data points created in the data logger to store the most recent calculations. If a field is left blank, no calculation is performed on that parameter. The generated data points function similarly to any other in the data logger and can be used for logging, telemetry, additional process computations, or other operational purposes.

Fuel Moisture Tab

The <u>Fuel Moisture</u> tab configures statistical analysis for moisture data, critical for assessing fuel flammability.

- √ Sen	- Sensors > Add Fuel > Statistical Calculations 00:00:00 (UTC)							
Sample	Fuel Temp	Fuel Humid	Fuel ity Moisture					
Fuel Moisture		MFuel	Ľ	Average		Ľ		
Sample (Name	Sample Count Name		Ľ	Median		Ľ		
Minimum	Minimum		Ľ	Delta		Ľ		
Maximum			Ľ	Standard Deviation		Ľ		
A		Back				Save		

- 1. *Fuel Moisture Input* displays the default name for moisture input, set to MFuel by default. This name can be changed as required.
- 2. Sample Count Name specifies the number of samples taken during the sample period.
- 3. *Minimum/Maximum/Average/Median/Delta/Standard Deviation* specify the names of the data points created in the data logger to store the most recent calculations. If a field is left blank, no calculation is performed on that parameter. The generated data points function similarly to any other in the data logger and can be used for logging, telemetry, additional process computations, or other operational purposes.
- 4. Press the **Save** button to save and apply the changes.

6.12.3 Fuel Stick Data Logging

FS-3 operates identically to the Temp-Humidity sensor.

Refer to the Temp-Humidity Data Logging section of this manual.

6.12.4 Fuel Stick Current Conditions

FS-3 operates identically to the Temp-Humidity sensor.

Refer to the Temp-Humidity Current Conditions section or the Current Condition menu section of this manual for information on Current Conditions.

6.13 Rain Gauge (RG-T) Sensor Configuration

The Rain Gauge input is compatible with tipping bucket rain gauges, such as AEM RG-T. Tips are counted and associated with the increment that the user has configured, typically 0.01 inch or 02 mm. Note that precision should be set to the tip increment of the rain gauge.

Tips are recorded in two different methods:

- 1. The number of new tips is recorded at the Measurement Interval.
- 2. Each tip is stored with a time stamp corresponding to the moment that it was detected. -New functionality which will be available in the future

6.13.1 Rain Gauge Sensor Setup

Status Tab

Once the sensor is configured, the <u>Status</u> tab will show current measurements. The current values refresh automatically.

- Sen	sors > Co	nfigure Ra	in Gauge	00:00:00 (UTC)
Status	Sensor	Setup		
Datap	oint Nan	nes	Current Values	
Rain			0.13 inch	
A	∢ Bac	k		Save

Sensor Tab

The <u>Sensor</u> tab sets *Sensor Name* and *Measurement Interval*. The checkbox may be selected to activate or deactivate the sensor.

- → Sen	sors > Co	nfigure Ra	ain Gauge	00:00:00 (UTC)
Status	Sensor	Setup		
Sensor	Name	RNIN	Ľ	
Measurement Interval		00:00:00	C	
A	∢ Bac	k		Save

- 1. Sensor Name appears on the sensor tile on the Sensors screen.
- 2. *Measurement Interval* specifies the period at which the rain gauge sensor saves any new detected tips to the datastore since the last record.
- 3. Select the *Active* checkbox to enable the sensor. It allows the data logger to read the sensor data and enables calculations and processes to operate correctly without errors.
 - If the checkbox is left unselected, the sensor will not be read by the data logger, and any calculations or processes that rely on the sensor's readings will report an error.

Setup Tab

The <u>Setup</u> tab calibrates the sensor for accurate rainfall measurement, allowing users to adjust settings to operational needs.

- Sen	sors > Co	nfigure Ra	ain Gauge		00	:00:00 (UTC)
Status	Sensor	Setup				
Rain		RNAccu	m	C	C	Zero at Pwr Up
Tip Inc	Tip Increment		0.01		O in	O mm
Auto F	Reset Date	e 01-01 0	0:00:00	ľ		
A	◀ Bac	k				Save

- 1. *Rain* specifies the name for accumulated rainfall. Users can edit this label by pressing the Edit icon.
- 2. *Zero at Pwr Up* checkbox, when enabled, resets the rain accumulation total to zero each time the sensor is powered on.
- 3. Define the *Tip Increment* (default: 0.01 inches) to calibrate rainfall per tip. The options include:

Units	Tip Increment
inches	0.01
cm	0.0254
mm	0.254
count	1

Important: Ensure the tip increment is converted to match the units selected for accurate measurements.

- 4. Select the measurement *Unit* as per preference. By default, inches are selected but it can be changed. The commonly used units are inches, millimeters (mm), or measurement counts.
- 5. Set a specific date and time for *Auto Reset Date* to automatically reset the rain accumulation count to zero. This helps in scheduling routine resets.
- 6. Press the **Save** button to save and apply the changes.

When configuring new sensors, the **Save** button presents the *Additional Setup* screen. This page helps guide users to **Process**, **Data logging**, and **Current Conditions** menus.



When editing an existing sensor, **Back** and **Save** will return to the Sensors screen.

6.13.2 Rain Gauge Processes – Statistical Calculations

The **Processes** automate rainfall data analysis, enabling users to define sampling intervals and statistical calculations.

1. Press the **Processes** button on the Additional Setup screen. The *Processes* screen is displayed.



aem.eco

Interval Tab

The <u>Interval</u> tab sets the process name, interval, and other parameters.

사 Sens	- →- Sensors > Add Rain > Statistical Calculations 00:00							00 (UTC)
Interval	Rain							
Process	Name	Rain S	tuff	C				
Process	Interval	01:00:	00	Ľ				
							ſ	
A	▲ Ba	ick						Save

- 1. Process Name is displayed on the tile on the active Processes screen.
- 2. *Process Interval*, in the format hh:mm:ss, is the period that the calculation results are saved to the datastore. Process interval should be longer than Measurement Interval set on the Sensor tab during initial sensor setup.

Rain Tab

The **<u>Rain</u>** tab defines data point names and other characteristics for rainfall behavior.

- → Sens	- Sensors > Add Rain > Statistical Calculations 00:00:00 (UTC)								
Interval	Ra	in							
Hourly Total RIN 🗹 Rain Year Settings									
Daily Tot	al			Ľ		Year to Date N	Name		Ľ
						Annual Reset [Date	01-01	Ľ
						Rollover at Ma Measurement	х	0	Ľ
A	k	Ba	:k						Save

- 1. *Hourly Total* calculates and displays total rainfall recorded over the last hour.
- 2. *Rain/hr*indicates the measured rainfall rate per hour.
- 3. Year to Date Name is the name applied to cumulative annual rainfall.
- 4. *Annual Reset Date* automatically zeros the accumulated rain counter for the beginning of the next water year.

- 5. *Rollover at Max Measurement* resets the counter for systems that have limitations on the maximum count that can be recorded. For all other applications, leave this value set at zero.
- 6. Press the **Save** button to save and apply the changes. The Additional Setup screen is displayed.

6.13.3 Rain Gauge Data Logging

From the Additional Setup screen, press the **Data Logging** button.

ing existing sensors, use	rs will access Pro	cesses directly from	the main menu.
→→ Sensors > Rain > Addition	onal Setup	00:00:00 (UTC)	
Shown below are additional Save & Exit to complete.			
S Processes	Data Logging	Current Conditions	
A Back		Save	
	Additional is sensors, use sensors > Rain > Additional is Shown below are additional is Save & Exit to complete.	ting existing sensors, users will access Pro ✓ Sensors > Rain > Additional Setup Shown below are additional items you can configu Save & Exit to complete. ✓ Processes ✓ Data Logging ✓ Back	ting existing sensors, users will access Processes directly from ✓ Sensors > Rain > Additional Setup 00:00:00 (UTC) Shown below are additional items you can configure for your sensor. Tap Save & Exit to complete. ✓ Processes Z Data Logging Current Conditions ✓ Back Save

<u>Note</u>: Depending on the application and intent, users may find it more convenient to create data log definitions automatically during the telemetry configuration process.

Data Logging defines frequency and data points included in the log.



Setting up a logging interval requires selecting the frequency and identifying the specific data points to be included.

- 1. Press the **Data Logging** Additional Setup screen.
- 2. Press '+' (add) button to create a new data log interval.

Or press **View Details** to open an existing log definition.

비 Data > Loggi	ng Intervals	00:00:0	0 (UTC)
Select Log to View Details			
🔒 🖣	ack	View Details	+

3. Create or edit the log definition.



- a. Select an *Available* data point name from the left column add (+) this to the *Selected* list on the right-hand side.
- b. Continue adding to or removing names from the list until all the variables users want to log into display on the right-hand side.

Re-order the *Selected* list using the up and down arrows.

- c. Enter the *Interval*. This is the logging interval that will be extracted from the data store.
- d. *Offset* is the clock time used for the log.

<u>*Note*</u>: For more information regarding Interval and Offset, refer to the General Operating Information section Understanding Interval and Offset.

- e. Select *Conditional* if the log is based on specific conditions that will trigger a log entry.
- f. Press the **Next** button to save the changes. If conditional logging is enabled, the screen will advance to the Conditions screen.

Data > Logging In	ditions 00:00:00	(UTC)	
Available Variables	Operators	Condition Type	
O AT	0 >	🔵 Value 1234567 🛛 🗹	î.
O ws	O >=	O Change since last logge	ed value
Q RH	Q <	Change in last 00:00:0	00
Q FH	Q <=		
O FT	0 =	Expression Elev > 0	
O WD			
🔒 🖣 Back			Finish

g. For conditional logging, select the variable, operator, and value that define the condition.

Expression will show the Boolean expression to be used for the conditional trigger.

h. Press the **Finish** button to save the changes.

When adding a new sensor, **Finish** will return to the Additional Setup screen.



When editing an existing log, **Finish** will return to the Datalog screen.



6.13.4 Rain Gauge Current Conditions

From the Additional Setup screen, press the **Current Conditions** button.



Use the list builder to select items from *Available* and add them to the *Selected* list.

Note: The Current Conditions page is limited to 25 data points.

Note: The Home screen carousel displays up to nine data points simultaneously. Future updates will expand this limit and allow users to customize the displayed data points according to their preferences.

log Current Con	nditions > Edit	00:00:00 (U	TC)	
Available Va	ariables	Current List		
Elev Ibatt Lat Long SD_zero	₽	ISolar SD_raw smp_code sr_bestQ	•	
↑ 4 B	lack		Save	

1. Use the **Move Right** and **Move Left Arrow** buttons to transfer data points between the *Available* and *Selected* columns.

The **Up** and **Down Arrow** buttons allow users to adjust the order of selected data points. The configured data points will be displayed on the *Current Conditions* and *Home* screens.

2. For new sensor configuration, **Save** will confirm the recording of the settings. **Back** will return to Additional Setup screen. Pressing **Back** before **Save** will cause all changes to be lost.
6.14 Wind Sensor (SDI-WS-RMY) Configuration

The Wind Sensor (SDI-WS-RMY) employs SDI-12 protocol to measure speed and direction.

Axiom leverages the AEM SDI interface installed in RM Young 0531 to provide higher sample rates and extended measurement functions for peak and average values that would otherwise not be possible with the standard 0531 device.

6.14.1 Wind Sensor Setup

Status Tab

The <u>Status</u> tab for the Wind Sensor displays real-time wind measurements based on the configured data points. Measurement values are automatically refreshed to show current readings.

- → Sen	sors > Wii	nd		00:00:00 (UTC)
Status	Sensor	Setup		
Datapoint Names		nes	Current Values	
5m WS			4.2 mph	
5m WD			274° □	
A	∢ Bad	ck		Save

Sensor Tab

The <u>Sensor</u> tab configures operational settings for the Wind Sensor.

- → Sen	sors > Wi	nd		(00:00:00 (UTC)	
Status	Sensor	Setup				
Sensor	Name		Ľ			
Address		Ľ	C			
Measur Interval	ement		Ľ	Measurement Allowance (ttt)	Ľ	
A	∢ Ba	ck			Save	

- 1. Sensor Name is shown on the sensor tile in the Sensors screen.
- 2. *Address* for the sensor. This should match the address set in sensor.

Note: The sensor address can be changed using tools in the Axiom SDI-12 main menu.

- 3. Select the *Active* checkbox to enable the sensor. It allows the data logger to read the sensor data and enables calculations and processes to operate correctly without errors.
 - If the checkbox is left unselected, the sensor will not be read by the data logger, and any calculations or processes that rely on the sensor's readings will report an error.
- 4. Specify the *Measurement Interval* at which the sensor collects wind data and saves it to the datastore. (10 second interval is recommended.)
- 5. Set the *Measurement Allowance (ttt)* to the set the timing tolerance or measurement allowance of the sensor. A longer value may be used.

<u>Note</u>: For more information on *Measurement Interval* and *Measurement Allowance*, refer to the Understanding Interval and Offset Timing section under General Operating information.

Setup Tab

The <u>Setup</u> tab configures wind speed and direction parameters, ensuring precise measurement and data representation.

- √ Sen	sors > Wi	nd				00:00	:00 (U	TC)
Status	Sensor	Setup						
Wind Speed	WS		Units	mph	Ľ	Precision	0.0	Ľ
Wind Direction	WD					Precision	0.0	Ľ
A	∢ Ba	ck					Sa	ave

- 1. *Wind Speed* is data point name for the wind speed measurement.
 - Select the *Unit* for wind speed measurement. By default, it shows mph, which can be changed as required. Press the **Edit** button to view the list of available units.
- 2. *Wind Direction* is the data point name for the wind direction measurement.
- 3. *Precision* specifies the precision value for wind speed and wind direction readings in the field.
- 4. Press the **Save** button to save and apply the changes.

When configuring new sensors, the **Save** button presents the *Additional Setup* screen. This page helps guide users to **Process**, **Data logging**, and **Current Conditions** menus.

When editing an existing sensor, **Back** and **Save** will return to the Sensors screen.

6.14.2 Wind Sensor Processes – Statistical Calculations

When configuring a new sensor, the Additional Setup screen provides quick links to processes, data logging, and current conditions monitoring menus.

The Processes screen customizes data analysis for the Wind Sensor, configuring sampling and statistical calculations to provide insights into wind dynamics.

<u>Note</u>: More information on the operation and interaction of the data logger with SDI-WS-RMY can be found in the Processes > SDI-RMY Process section of this manual.

1. Press the **Processes** button on the Additional Setup screen. The Processes screen is displayed.



Average Sample Tab

The Average Sample tab defines sample period to be used for calculating average and gust.

- √ Sens	sors > /	Ado	d Wind >	Calculati	ons	00:00:00	(UTC)
Average Sample	Averaç	ge	Gust	Peak			
Process	Name	10	MinWind	Ľ			
Process Interval	terval 00:60:0		:60:00	Ľ	Process Offset	00:00:20	Ľ
Window Length	w c):10:00	Ľ	Estimated Samples		
Required Samples	equired Min		Ľ	Value if Sensor Error	Value if Sensor Error		
A		Bac	k				Save

- 1. *Process Name* displays the name that will be shown on the new process tile that will appear on the active *Processes* screen.
- 2. *Process Interval* is the interval for the calculation to be executed.
- 3. Use *Process Offset* to specify the time difference for the process execution.
 - Example: A process interval of 00:60:00 and an offset of 00:55:00 means the process will run every hour, commencing at 55 after the hour.
 - Refer to Process Interval and Offset in the Processes Menu section for more information.
- 4. Set *Window Length* to the desired sample period.
- 5. *Estimated Samples* are dynamically calculated using the sensor Measurement Interval to determine the samples included in specified window length.
- 6. Set the *Required Minimum Samples* to ensure the process only executes when the defined number of samples is available for accurate calculations.
 - A sensor that is configured for a Measurement Interval of 10 seconds and a Window Length of 60 minutes, would show an Estimated Samples of 360. Required Min Samples might be set to 300, to ensure that there are a reasonable number of samples for the calculations.
- 7. Specify a default value in the *Value if Sensor Error* field to be recorded in case of sensor or process error.

Average Tab

The <u>Average</u> tab configures calculations for average and variation of wind speed and direction over the sample period.

- √ Sens	sors >	Ado	d Wind >	Calculatio	ons		00:00:00	(UTC)
Average Sample	Avera	ge	Gust	Peak				
Sample (Name Average Speed Variation Speed	Count		:60:00	C C		Average Direction Variation Direction		Ľ
A		Bac	k					Save

- 1. *Sample Count Name* is the name of the data point for the number of samples used for the calculations.
- 2. *Average Speed* sets the data point name for the average wind speed.
- 3. *Average Direction* sets the data point name for vector average wind direction.
- 4. *Variation Speed* is the data point name for fluctuation or variation in wind speed over the sample period.
- 5. *Variation Direction* is the data point name for wind direction variation over the sample period.
- 6. Press the **Save** button to save and apply the changes.

Gust Tab

The <u>Gust</u> tab configures the settings to identify and quantify, rapid increases in wind speed.

Unlike other wind parameters, Gust configuration does not include an interval or window length; it is inherently associated to the average period configured on the previous tab.

- √ Sen	✓ Sensors > Add Wind > Calculations 00:00:0									
Average Sample	Average	Gust	Peak							
Gust Diff	Gust Differential 9 kts 🕑									
Gust Spe	Gust Speed		Gust Direction			Ľ				
Gust is captured when the wind speed exceeds the average by the Differential. Only the max gust in the sample period is saved.										
A	∢ Bad	k				Save				

- 1. Set *Gust Differential* to the wind speed threshold above the average that will trigger a gust measurement.
 - Example: Consider a uniformly variable wind with a rolling 10-minute average speed of 5.5 knots and a *Gust Differential* set to 9 kts.

A sudden change in wind causes a current wind measurement of 18.2 kts. This exceeds the average by 12.7 kts, surpassing the 9 kts threshold. 18.2 kts would be captured as a gust value.

The gust, (like the maximum and peak values) is recorded in the data log with a timestamp indicating when it occurred. Alternatively, the gust value can be saved until the end of the Process Interval and recorded with other measurements. If a higher gust value is detected during the Process Interval, it will replace the previously recorded gust value.

- 2. Assign a data point name for *Gust Speed*.
- 3. *Gust Dir. (Direction)* is the data point name for the direction of a detected gust.
- 4. Press the **Save** button to save and apply the changes.

Peak Tab

The <u>Peak</u> tab configures settings to detect and record the highest (or maximum) wind over the sample period.

- → Sens	sors > #	dd Win	d > Calcula	tions (00:00:00 (UTC)				
Average Sample	Averag	e Gus	st Peak						
Process Interval		00:60:0	00 🕑	Peak Offset	····· Ľ				
Window Length	/indow ength		0 🗹						
Peak Spe	eed		Ľ	Peak Direction	C				
Peak is the maximum wind sample over the Window Length.									
A	4 8	ack			Save				

- 1. Set *Process Interval* to specify how often the process is executed.
- 2. Enter a *Process Offset* to execute calculations in advance of interval.
 - Refer to Process Interval and Offset in the Processes Menu section for more information.
- 3. Specify the *Window Length* to determine the duration over which data is collected for averaging.
- 4. *Peak Speed* calculates and displays the peak wind speed during the defined window length.
- 5. *Peak Dir. (Direction)* identifies the peak wind direction during the same time frame.
- 6. Press the **Save** button to save and apply the changes. The Additional Setup screen is displayed.

6.14.3 Wind Sensor Data Logging

Data Logging operates in the same manner as other sensors. Refer to Temp-Humidity Data Logging section for more information.

6.14.4 Wind Sensor Current Conditions

Current Conditions operate in the same manner as other sensors. Refer to Temp-Humidity Current Conditions for more information.

6.15 Solar Radiation (SDI-SR-PYR) Sensor Configuration

The solar radiation sensor is a silicon pyranometer that measures broadband solar irradiance across the 400 to 1100 nanometer range. Data are transmitted to the data logger using the SDI-12 protocol, which controls the measurement process and provides real-time irradiance values in W/m^2 .

6.15.1 Solar Radiation Sensor Setup

Status Tab

The <u>Status</u> tab provides solar irradiance measurements.

- Sen	sors > SD	I-PYR	00:00:00 (UTC)
Status	Sensor	Setup	
Datapoint Names		nes	Current Values
Currer	nt		873.2 W/m^2
Avg			24.6 W/m^2
Max			921.7 W/m^2
A	∢ Ba	ck	Save

Sensor Tab

The <u>Sensor</u> tab configures core operational settings for the Solar Rad sensor.



- 1. Sensor Name will appear on the sensor tile on the Sensors screen.
- 2. Enter the *Address* of the sensor. This should be a unique address relative to other installed sensors.
- 3. Select the *Active* checkbox to enable the sensor.

If the checkbox is left unselected, the sensor will not be read by the data logger, and any calculations or processes that rely on the sensor's readings will report an error.

- 4. *Measurement Interval* is the period at which the sensor is polled. All measurements are automatically saved to the data store.
- 5. Set the *Measurement Allowance (ttt)* to set the timing tolerance of the sensor.

For more information on *Measurement Interval* and *Measurement Allowance*, refer to the Understanding Interval and Offset Timing section under General Operating information.

Setup

The <u>Setup</u> tab configures essential parameters for solar radiation measurement.

- → Sen	sors	> SD	I-PYR			00:00:00	D (UTC)
Status	Ser	isor	Setup					
Solar Radiatio	n	SRa	d	-	W/m^2	Precision	0.0	Ľ
Solar Thresho	Solar Threshold 120		ľ	W/m^2				
A		€ Ba	ck				Save	•

- 1. Enter the data point name to be used for *Solar Radiation* measurements.
- 2. Specify the precision value for solar radiation readings in the *Precision* field. This determines the number of decimal places displayed.
- 3. Enter the desired value in the *Solar Threshold* field, measured in W/m². Due to ambient light and measurement error, the detected value may not reach 0 (zero). This value defines the threshold for the calculation of duration statistics, which indicates when solar radiation exceeds the specified level.
- 4. Press the Save button to save and apply the changes.

When configuring new sensors, the **Save** button presents the *Additional Setup* screen. This page helps guide users to **Process**, **Data logging**, and **Current Conditions** menus.

When editing an existing sensor, **Back** and **Save** will return to the Sensors screen

6.15.2 Solar Radiation Sensor Processes – Statistical Calculations

When configuring a new sensor, the Additional Setup screen provides quick links to processes, data logging, and current conditions monitoring menus.



The Processes interface customizes data analysis for the Solar Radiation Sensor, configuring sampling and statistical calculations to provide insights into solar irradiance.

1. Press the **Processes** button on the Additional Setup screen. The *Stat. Calculations* screen is displayed.

Sample Tab

The <u>Sample</u> tab configures the frequency of data sampling for the Solar Radiation Sensor. It allows users to define the sampling interval, the number of samples collected, and the parameters for data collection.



- 1. *Process Name* is used on the tile that appears on the Processes screen.
- 2. Set *Process Interval* to specify how often the calculations are executed.
- 3. Use *Process Offset* to define the timing of sensor readings, typically configured to ensure measurements are completed and data is available before the scheduled transmission time.

- 4. Specify the *Window Length* to establish the duration over which data is gathered for averaging calculations.
- 5. *Estimated Samples* dynamically updates and displays the calculated samples based on the sampling parameters provided.
- 6. Set the *Required Min Samples* to specify the minimum number of samples required for the solar radiation calculation to proceed. The process will only run if this threshold is satisfied.
- 7. Specify a default value in the *Value if Sensor Error* field to be recorded in case of sensor error.

Solar Rad Tab - Statistical Calculation

The <u>Solar Rad</u> tab configures statistical analysis for solar irradiance data, enabling detailed tracking of sunlight intensity.

사 Sens	分→ Sensors > Add SDI-PYR > Stat. Calculations 00:00:00 (UTC)									
Sample	Solar Rad									
Sample Count Name		10	C	Average	SRavg	Ľ				
Minimum			Ľ	Median		Ľ				
Maximun	n		Ľ	Delta		Ľ				
				Standard Deviation		Ľ				
A	4 E	Back				Save				

- 1. Sample Count Name specifies the number of samples taken during the sample period.
- 2. *Minimum/Maximum/Average/Median/Delta/Standard Deviation* specify the names of the data points created in the data logger to store the most recent calculations. If a field is left blank, no calculation is performed on that parameter. The generated data points function similarly to any other in the data logger and can be used for logging, telemetry, additional process computations, or other operational purposes.
- 3. Press the **Save** button to save and apply the changes.

6.15.3 Solar Radiation Data Logging Configuration

Data Logging operates in the same manner as other sensors. Refer to Temp-Humidity Data Logging section for more information.

6.15.4 Solar Radiation Current Conditions

Current Conditions operates in the same manner as other sensors. Refer to Temp-Humidity Current Conditions for more information.

6.16 Deleting Sensors

From the Sensors screen, users may edit sensors by selecting a sensor tile, add a sensor with the Add button, or delete using the **Delete** button.



1. On the delete screen, select the check box on the sensor tile.

Note: Internal sensors cannot be deleted.

2. Press the **Delete Selected** button. A Warning screen is displayed.



a. Press the Yes button to confirm. Or

Press the **No** button to cancel.

7 Manage SDI-12 Menu

Axiom includes four SDI-12 ports (SDI A, B, C, D), each with an independent UART (serial data) interface. While data communication is electrically isolated between ports, all four share a common power supply, with a maximum combined current of 2 A and up to 500 mA per port.

Axiom is SDI-12 v1.3 compliant and compatible with v1.4.

7.1 Address Requirements

Due to the data port isolation, Axiom can read sensors with the same address, if they are on separate ports. This can be helpful during device installation and management. However, for the data collection to work correctly, sensor addresses must be unique and correctly mapped (matched) to the configuration in the data logger. The following sections outline this process.

Important: Each SDI sensor connected to the Data Logger MUST have a unique SDI address.

7.2 SDI-12 Sensor Mapping

Since sensors may be defined and fully configured without physically connecting them to the datalogger, sensor mapping is an essential step that finalizes the configuration. This mapping process matches the sensor ID (serial number) that is saved in the sensor definition to the ID of the connected device.

Selecting Manage SDI-12 menu on the Home screen will open the mapping screen, displaying currently configured SDI-12 sensors and previously detected devices.

💙 SDI-12	SDI-12 00:00:00 (UTC)								
Defined				Detected					
Name	Addr	Port	Addr	Vendor/Serial					
DigiTemp	1	А	1	FTS 1.12 924526	0				
DigiTemp2	5				0				
SDI	0	С	0	FTS 1.12 924526	0				
New		В	3	😢 Digitemp 1.12 85473	0				
_									
A		Ē		<i>C</i> Q +	>_				

- 1. The *Defined* column lists sensors configured in the data logger.
- 2. The *Detected* column shows sensors that are connected to the data logger's SDI-12 ports.
- 3. Sensors that are detected but do not match a defined sensor are identified by a red icon.
- 4. A green icon is displayed when a sensor is fully mapped.

Action Bar Buttons

- □ **Refresh**²: Updates connected SDI-12 sensors to update their status and configuration.
- Detect C: Scans for connected sensors and automatically retrieves their addresses.
- □ **Transparent Mode** Allows users to add or configure new sensor.

Important: Each time a sensor is installed or swapped; it MUST be mapped. The Data Logger will not be able to communicate with the sensors until they are mapped. Skip mapping only if the new sensor matches the logger's predefined configuration.

7.2.1 Detecting New SDI-12 Sensors

1. Connect one or more SDI-12 sensors to one of the SDI-12 ports.

🜱 SDI-12		00:00:00 (UTC)							
Defined				0	Detected				
Name	Addr	Port	Addr		Vendor	/Serial			
DigiTemp	1	А	1	✔ FTS 1.12 924526			0		
DigiTemp2	5						0		
SDI	0	С	0	🕑 F	FTS 1.12 924526		0		
New		В	3	🗴 Digitemp 1.12 85473		85473	0		
_									
A		E		C	٩	+	>_		

2. Press the **Search** button on the SDI-12 screen. The Sensor Search screen is displayed.



3. Select *Include letter addresses in the SDI-12 search* checkbox if an SDI sensor may have a non-numeric address (a-z, A-Z).

Warning: Enabling the checkbox will extend the detection process as the data logger must search for each of these addresses and await a response from a sensor.

- 4. Press the **Start** button to begin the search. Once complete, the screen will return to the mapping table.
- 5. Select the **Refresh** button to add detected sensors to the table.

7.3 Mapping Requirements

Each sensor address must be unique.

The sensor address must match the defined, or configuration, address.

If addresses disagree, either the sensor configuration or the actual sensor address must be changed. Skip to Change Sensor Address under the >_ (Transparent Mode) section and return to Mapping Sensor once this is complete.

7.4 Mapping Sensor

Mapping includes associating a detected device ID with a defined device ID. When mapping a new sensor to an existing definition, the detected ID overwrites the defined value.

📢 SDI-12	00:00:00 (UTC)								
Defined			Detected						
Name	Addr	Port	Addr		Vendor	/Serial			
DigiTemp	1	А	1	FTS 1.12 924526			0		
DigiTemp2	5						0		
SDI	0	С	0	FTS 1.12 924526		526	0		
New		В	3	🗴 Digitemp 1.12 85473		85473	0		
_									
A		E		З	Q	+	>_		

1. Select the radio button to the right of the New, unmapped, or incorrectly mapped sensor. This action will open the map editing window.

SDI-12 > Select and	SDI-12 > Select and confirm sensor00:003								
New SDI-12 Sensor	Digitemp 1.12 385473385473	\$							
Map to Exiting Sensor	DigiTemp	Addr 1							
Definition	DigitTemp 2	Addr 5							
	10m Wind	Addr 2							
	FuelStick	Addr 4							
f Back		Save							

- 2. From the list, select the defined sensor that matches the address of the new sensor shown at the top of the screen.
- 3. Select **Save** to record the new map assignment.
- 4. Return to the *SDI-12* screen and validate that the new sensor has been mapped to the intended configuration.
- 5. Repeat the process until a green checkmark appears next to all SDI-12 sensors.

7.5 >_ (Transparent Mode)

Transparent Mode is a terminal screen that connects directly to SDI-12 sensor ports.

Simplified keyboards are used to send ASCII commands to SDI-12.

SDI Simple – Future Release

The SDI Simple terminal automates common commands.

SDI Simple	SD Ad) V		_				
Port A Not Functio					Future Release.	I		
Addr 4 1 🕨								
New Addr 🖣 _ 🕨								
Requ	iest D		L	Start Measurement	Read Data	Concurrent Measurement		
Continuous			Г	Change Address				
						Back		

Using the search results for the target sensor, use the arrow keys to:

- 1. Set the SDI *Port* (SDI A, B, C, D) to which the target sensor is connected.
- 2. Set the current *Addr*(address) of the sensor.

3. *New Addr* is used when changing the address of the sensor.

The following buttons will send common commands to the sensor. The command and response are shown in the terminal window.

- **Request ID** (al!) Retrieves the sensor's identification string (manufacturer, model, version, and serial number).
- Start Measurement (aM!) Initiates a measurement and tells the logger how long to wait before retrieving data.
- **Read Data** (aDO!, aD1!, etc.) Requests the results of the most recent measurement from the sensor, with optional index for multiple datasets.
- **Continuous Measurement** (aRO!, aR1!, etc.) Commands the sensor to start sending data at fixed intervals without further prompting (vendor-specific, not always implemented).
- **Change Address** (aA<new_address>!) Updates the sensor's SDI-12 address to a new, userdefined value for communication on shared lines.

SDI-12 Adv Tab

<u>SDI Adv (Advanced)</u> tab provides a direct connection to the data logger's SDI ports. This tab is ideal for users who are familiar with SDI command syntax and need flexibility in managing and testing sensor operations.

The terminal screen has two different keyboards (ABC/QWERTY and SDI12).

SDI Simple	SDI Adv									
Terminal I										
Α	С	D	Ι	М	R	V	X			
0	1	2	3	4	?	!	ABC			
5	6	7	8	9	×	Ва	ck			

SDI Simple	SI Ac) V								
Port 🖣	Terminal Port 4 A F									
Q	W	Ε	R	Т	Υ	U	I	0	Ρ	
Α	S	\$	DF	= 0	} ł	+ [、	J K	(L	- s	Send
~	Ζ	X	С	V	В	Ν	Μ		?	/
s					CA	PS	Ba	ack		

- 1. Use the arrow buttons to select the SDI *Port*(SDI A, B, C, D) of the connected sensor.
- 2. The ABC and NUM buttons open secondary keypads which allow users to enter command characters.
- 3. For the SDI-12 keyboard, the '!' (exclamation) character sends commands to the designated port.

The **Send** key on the QWERTY keyboard requires the user to enter the terminating '!' (exclamation) manually.

- 4. *Terminal* displays the command construction and returns sensor messages.
- 5. Press **Back** to go back to the SDI-12 screen.

<u>Warning</u>: When users send an SDI command to configure a device, the Data Logger's user interface does not reflect any changes, and it continues operation using the old configuration. SDI transparent mode is only intended for diagnostics—specifically, to verify device functionality and obtain data.

Any sensor changes done in transparent mode, such as sensor address changes, may need to be made separately in the Axiom screens.

7.5.1 Change SDI-12 Sensor Address

Even though SDI-12 ports are separate data connections, each sensor must have a unique address before it can be mapped to a sensor definition.

For example, an SDI pyranometer is address 3 may be on SDI A and an SDI wind sensor connected to SDI B with address 3. The sensor search will correctly identify each, without a data conflict. Transparent mode may be used to connect to either sensor without conflict. However, the data logger will not map the sensors correctly until one of them is changed and both sensor addresses match the sensor configurations.

Either Transparent mode, SDI Simple or SDI Adv, can be used to change the sensor address.

SDI Simple Address Change

With the sensor connected

SDI Simple	SD Ad) V		_					
Port A Not Functional					Future Release.				
Addr 4 1 🕨									
New Ad	New Addr 4 _ ►								
Requ	iest D			Start Measurement	Read Data	Concurrent Measurement			
Continuous Measurement			Γ	Change Address					
						Back			

- 1. Select the sensor *Port*.
- 2. Select the current sensor address (Addr).
- 3. Select the New Addr.
- 4. Select the **Change Address** button. The terminal prompt will show the transmitted command and response.
- 5. To validate the new address, change *Addr* to match the new address.
- 6. Press the **Request ID** button.

The data logger employs the SDI change address command to assign a new address to the sensor. If the sensor's address cannot be changed the terminal window may display an error message from the sensor.

SDI Adv Address Change

The advanced terminal requires users to enter commands manually.

SDI Simple	SDI Adv								
Terminal Vort 4 1 V									
Α	С	D	Ι	М	R	V	X		
0	1	2	3	4	?	!	ABC		
5	6	7	8	9	×	Ва	ck		

- 1. Select *Port*.
- 2. Test connection with information command. Example: Poll address 3.

Command: 3l!

Response: 313FTS-----DIGITEMP-v134567

3. Change address using the A command. Example: Change from address 3 to 5.

Command: 3A5!

Sensor Response: 5

4. Test new address with another information command.

Command: 5I!

Response: 513FTS-----DIGITEMP-v134567

8 Processes Menu

Processes enables users to define mathematical calculations using inputs from sensor data points and other sources.

8.1 Processes

The Processes screen displays tiles for all sensor or data point processes currently defined and configured by the user.

During new sensor configuration, the *Additional Setup > Processes* screen is one method to create new processes. These tiles will appear on this initial screen and will only be a accessible through the **Processes** menu.

Processes may also be added independently of initial sensor configuration.

- 1. Press the **Processes** menu on the Home screen.
 - The Processes screen is displayed. It will be blank until a new senor process is implemented.



Active process tiles will appear as they are created.



8.2 Add Processes

The **Add** + button presents the *Processes > Add* screen. Each black tile represents available processes.

♀ Processes > A	dd	00:00:00 (UTC)				
Statistical Calculations =	Wind					
	≎k					

Select a process tile to configure a calculation process.

8.3 Statistical Calculations

The *Statistical Calculation* process performs common statistical operations, including average, minimum, maximum, mean, and standard deviation.

Input Tab

The **Input** tab sets the initial process parameters.

⋛ Proce	esses > S	00:00:0	00 (UTC)			
Input	Sample	Calc				
Process	s Name)	Average	Ľ			
Data Po Input	oint .	THS	Ľ			
A	◀ Bac	k				Save

- 2. *Process Name* is the name that will appear on the active time that appears on the Processes screen.
- 3. *Data Point Input* requires a sensor or a user variable, also known as a data point name.
 - Press the **Edit** button in the *Process Input* field to select from available data point to be used for the process calculations.

4. Press the **Save** button to save and apply the changes.

Sample Tab

The **Sample** tab sets the sample characteristics.

⁷ €Proce	esses >	00:00:00 (UTC)					
Input	Sampl	e	Calc				
Process Interval		00:6	0:00	Ľ	Process Offset	00:00:20	Ľ
Window Length		00:10	00:00	Ľ	Estimated Samples		
Required Samples	l Min			Ľ	Value if Sensor Error		Ľ
A	∢ B	ack					Save

- 1. *Process Interval* is the frequency at which the calculations occur and be saved to the data store.
- 2. *Process Offset* specifies the time offset from 00:00:00.

<u>Note</u>: For more information on *Process Interval* and *Process Offset*, refer to the Understanding Interval and Offset Timing section under General Operating information.

- 3. Set *Window Length* for the period over which data is collected for the calculations.
- 4. *Estimated Samples* uses *Measurement Interval* from the sensor configuration and the *Window Length* to determine the number of samples that will be included in the calculation.
- 5. Set the *Required Min Samples* to the minimum number of samples required for the statistical calculation. In case of missing or bad sensor readings, the process will be blocked to prevent a calculation using insufficient data.
- 6. *Value if Sensor Error* is the numeric value that will be used if a calculation cannot be completed.
- 7. Press the **Save** button to save and apply the changes.

Calc Tab

The <u>Calc</u> tab allows users to define which statistical outputs will be calculated and displayed.

¥ <u></u>	EProcesses > Statistical Calculations 00:00:0								
Input	Sampl	e Cal	c						
Sample (Name	Count	Tsmpl	C	Delta		Ľ			
				Median		Ľ			
Minimum			Ľ	Average		Ľ			
Maiximu	m		Ľ	Std Dev		Ľ			
A	∢ Ba	ack				Save			

- 1. *Sample Count Name* is the data point name for the number of samples used for the calculation.
- 2. *Minimum, Maximum, Average, Median, Delta, and Standard Deviation* each can be used to define the data point name of the respective calculations.
- 3. Press the **Save** button to save and apply the changes.

Note: If a field is left blank or has a null character "----", no calculation is performed or saved to the data store.

8.4 SDI-RMY Wind Process

The wind process calculates key meteorological parameters including (vector) average, variation, peak, and wind gust data points.

8.4.1 How the Wind Processes Work

The SDI-RMY process is tightly integrated with AEM SDI-WS-RM, employing built-in functions. The process can also utilize other anemometers that only provide wind speed and direction but functionality may be limited.

Important. For best performance with the SDI-WS-RMY (RM Young) sensor, the Measurement Interval should be set to 10 seconds.

Sensor-Level Processing

The sensor itself performs initial calculations, producing three pairs of values every 10 seconds:

- Current speed and direction (instantaneous readings)
- Average speed and direction (10-second averages)
- Peak speed and direction (highest values during the 10-second period, measurement interval)

These six values are automatically saved to the data store every 10 seconds.

Statistical Processing

When the wind process runs, it performs hierarchical calculations:

- 10-minute averages use 60 ten-second samples
- 1-hour peak calculations examine 360 ten-second peak values

Process Creation

When setting up through Additional Settings, the system can create:

- A single wind process (if average and peak durations match)
- Separate wind processes (if different durations are specified)

When configured directly from the Processes screen, each wind process uses a single duration for all calculations.

A calculation only runs if it has a non-empty datapoint name assigned to it.

Compatibility

This system also works with basic anemometers that only provide current readings. In these cases:

- Leave the Average and Peak input fields blank
- The process will use the current speed/direction values for all calculations

8.4.2 SDI-WS-RMY Sensor Integration

The SDI-WS-RMY sensor employs high-frequency sampling with internal processing to provide:

- Current speed and direction readings
- 10-second vector-averaged values
- Peak readings

The sensor delivers these six data values to the data store every 10 seconds, current, average, and peak wind speed and direction. The sensor's internal electronics perform the initial averaging calculations, providing more accurate measurements than would be possible with standard SDI-12 polling alone.

8.4.3 SDI-WS-RMY Initialization

SDI-WS-RMY internal configuration is initialized when the data logger is reset or when sensor settings are changed. If a replacement sensor is installed, the sensor may be initialized to the current data logger settings by mapping the SDI sensor to the current configuration.

If the same sensor is removed and re-attached, reinitialization will occur when the data logger is reset or when the sensor settings are edited and saved.

SDI-WS-RMY Process Calculations

Average Values: Process averages are calculated using the 10-second average readings (10 min average uses 60 of the 10 s samples). This hierarchical averaging improves statistical validity while optimizing SDI-12 bus performance.

Peak Values: Maximum wind speeds are determined by comparing peak readings across the measurement window. For a 1-hour peak, 360 ten-second peak values are evaluated to find the highest value.

Gust Calculation: Wind gusts are identified when current wind speed exceeds the average by a configurable differential threshold.

Note: A calculation is only enabled if it has a non-empty datapoint name defined for it.

SDI-WS-RMY Process Configuration

The process can be configured with different intervals for average and peak calculations:

- When configuring a new sensor through the Additional Settings screen, a single wind process is created if both average and peak duration values match.
- If different durations are specified, separate wind processes are automatically generated.
- When created directly from the Processes screen, each wind process uses a single duration for all enabled calculations.

8.4.4 Support for Standard Anemometers

For compatibility with simpler wind sensors that only report instantaneous speed and direction:

- The Average and Peak input fields are left blank
- The process will use the current speed and direction values to generate all statistical outputs
- Sample rates will be limited by the SDI-12 polling interval

8.4.5 SDI-RMY Process Configuration

1. Press the **SDI-RMY Wind** button on the *Processes* screen. The *Wind* screen is displayed.

Input Tab

The Input tab defines the basic settings for the Wind Process, including the source sensor.

🚝 Proc	:ess > Wi	nd		00:00:0	00 (UTC)	
Input	Average Sample	Average	Gust	Peak		
Process	Name 1	0m RMY C	Calc 🕑			
Wind Sensor Input 10m RMY						
A	∢ Bac	k				Save

- 1. *Process Name* is pre-set to '10MinWind' and can be modified as required. The user-defined name also appears on the process button in the Processes screen for quick reference.
 - Press the **Edit** button next to the *Wind Sensor Input* to select the desired data point from the list.
- 2. Press the **Save** button to save and apply the changes.

Average Sample Tab

The <u>Average Sample</u> tab sets parameters for sample characteristics used for calculations on the <u>Average</u> tab.



- 1. Set the *Process Interval* to specify the frequency of the calculations. The calculated values are also saved to the data store at this same frequency.
- 2. Use the *Process Offset* to define the timing of sensor readings, typically configured to ensure measurements are completed and data is available before the scheduled transmission time.

<u>Note</u>: For more information on *Process Interval* and *Process Offset*, refer to the Understanding Interval and Offset Timing section under General Operating information.

- 3. Set *Window Length* to specify the time duration over which data is collected for calculations.
- 4. *Required Min Samples* uses *Measurement Interval* from the sensor configuration and the *Window Length* to determine the number of samples that will be included in the calculation.
- 5. *Value if Sensor Error* is the numeric value that will be used if a calculation cannot be completed.
- 6. Press the **Save** button to save and apply the changes.

Average Tab

The <u>Average</u> tab defines parameters for average wind speed, wind direction, and their variances, providing insights into overall wind dynamics.

Æ Process > Wind 0						00:00:0	0 (UTC)
Input	Average Sample	Average	Gust	Peak			
Sample Name	Count	I0mWsmpl	Ľ				
Average Speed			Ľ		Variation Speed		Ľ
Average Directior	'n		Ľ		Variation Direction		Ľ
A	∢ Ba	ok.					Save

Scalar average is sued for wind speed. Vector average is used for wind direction.

1. *Sample Count Name* specifies the data point name used for the number of samples included in the calculation.

Note: It is not necessary to define names for all fields. Any field that is un-named, blank, or "----" (null) is not saved or available for other activities.

- 2. *Average Speed* is the data point name for average wind speed.
- 3. *Variation Speed* is the data point name for the delta wind speed (maximum minimum) over the calculation window.
- 4. *Average Direction* is the data point name for vector average wind direction.
- 5. *Variation Direction* is the data point name for the delta wind direction (vector range) over the calculation window.

Gust Tab

The <u>Gust</u> tab configures parameters to detect and record wind gusts. Wind gusts are rapid increases in wind speed that occur over a short duration.

In conjunction with AEM SDI-WD-RMY wind sensor, Axiom continuously compares the wind speed average to the currently measured speed.

When the wind speed exceeds the average by the Gust Differential, a gust is recorded.

🚝 Proc	nd	(0:00:0	0 (UTC)			
Input	Average Sample	Average	Gust	Peak			
Gust Differential		9 kts	Ľ				
Gust Speed			Ľ	Gust Direction			Ľ
Gust is captured when the wind speed exceeds the average by the Differential. Only the max gust in the sample period is saved.							
Back					Save		

- 1. Enter the *Gust Differential* value. A wind event qualifies as a gust if its speed exceeds the average wind speed by this differential.
 - Example: Consider a uniformly variable wind with a 10-minute average speed of 5.5 knots. A sudden change in wind causes a current wind measurement of 18.2 knots, often known as a Wind Gust of 18.2 knots.

Gust, like the maximum and peak values, is recorded in the data log with a timestamp indicating when it occurred. Alternatively, the gust value can be saved until the end of the Process Interval and recorded with other measurements. If a higher gust value is detected during the Process Interval, it will replace the previously recorded gust value.

- 2. *Gust Speed* is the name of the data point for wind gust speed records.
- 3. *Gust Dir. (Direction)* is the name for wind gust direction.
- 4. Press the **Save** button to save and apply the changes.

Peak Tab

The <u>Peak</u> tab configures parameters to detect and record the highest wind speed and direction over a specified period and stored at the *Process Interval*.

誓 Proc	ess > Wi	nd			C	0:00:00	(UTC)
Input	Average Sample	Average	Gust	Peak			
Window Length		-	Ľ				
Peak Speed			Ľ	Peak D	irection		Ľ
Peak is the maximum wind sample over the Window Length.							
A	∢ Bac	k					Save

- 1. Set *Window Length* to specify the time duration for peak detection.
- 2. **Peak Speed** specifies the name of data point for peak wind.
- 3. *Peak Dir. (Direction)* specifies the name of data point for peak wind direction.
- 4. Press the **Save** button to save and apply the changes.

Note: Data is only stored for data point name fields when a name value entered.

8.5 User Var (Variable) Process – Future Feature

User Variable declares a data point name that can be used in functions and scripts. The variable can be initialized with a specific value, such as a constant for calculations.

The variable must be defined before it can be referenced in scripts or functions or used as an output.

1. Press the **User Var** button on the Process screen. The User Var screen is displayed.



- 2. Enter the desired name for the process in the *Process Name* field.
- 3. Specify the variable's name in the User Variable Name field.
- 4. Define the measurement *Units* for the variable.
- 5. Set the *Default Power-Up Value*. This value is assigned when the data logger restarts after a reset or power cycle.
- 6. Enter the number of decimal places for the function's output in the **Precision** field.
- 7. Press the **Finish** button save and apply the changes. The variable will now show as a data point name for telemetry, logging, and current conditions as well as being available for other processes.

8.6 Function Process – Future Feature

The Function Process evaluates a single-valued mathematical expression, producing a floatingpoint output. The function name is also the output data point name, Users must define the equation, units, and precision. The process supports various mathematical operators, including nested operations, which are listed below.

Imp	<i>Important</i> : All data points used in a function script must already exist in the Data Logger.								
1.	 Press the Function button on the Process screen. The Function screen is displayed. 								
		₹ Proces	ses > Functio	n			00:00:00	O (UTC)	
		Function Name	HeatIndex	Ľ	Precision	000.000 🕑	Units F	Ľ	
		Equation:							
		-42.379+2 -0.006837 +0.000852	2.04901523*T '83*T*T-0.05 282*T*RH*RH	7+10.14 481717 1-0.000	.333127*RH 7*RH*RH+0. 000199*T*T	-0.22475541 00122874*T *RH*RH	*T*RH *T*RH	Ľ	
		A	Back					Finish	

- 2. Enter the *Function Name*. This will show on a new tile on the Processes screen *Function Name* is also the name of the output value.
- 3. Define the number of decimal places for the function's output in the *Precision* field.
- 4. Specify the measurement *Units* for the function's output in the Units field.
- 5. Input the mathematical expression in the *Equation* field using available operators and variables.
- 6. Press the **Finish** button save and apply the changes.

8.6.1 Function Operators

The following operators are available for the *Function* process.

Operator	Meaning			
+	addition			
-	subtraction			
*	multiplication			
/	division			
=	equal to			
MAX(A,B)	maximum of A or B			
MIN(A,B)	minimum of A or B			
SQRT(x)	square root			
LN(x)	natural logarithm			
EXP(x)	natural antilog			
POW(A,B)	A raised to power of B, AB			
PI	pi			
ABS(x)	absolute value			
FRAC(x)	fractional part of x			
INT(x)	integer part of x			
MOD(A,B)	modulus of A / B			
SIN(x)	sine (in radians)			
COS(x)	cosine (in radians)			
TAN(x)	tangent (in radians)			
ASIN(x)	arcsine (in radians)			
ACOS(x)	arcos (in radians)			
ATAN(x)	arctan (in radians)			
ATAN2(y,x)	arctan (in radians), preserving the quadrant of the result.			
SteinhC(x)	Calculates the Celsius temperature of a thermistor using the simplified Steinhart-Hart equation (see below).			

Simplified Steinhart-Hart Equation

$$T = \frac{1}{A + B \ln R + C(\ln R)^3} - 273.15$$

Symbol	Meaning/Value	Note
Т	temperature (C)	
R	thermistor resistance (Ω)	
A	1.0295 x 10 - 3	coefficient for YSI 44006 thermistor
В	2.3910 x 10 -4	coefficient for YSI 44006 thermistor
С	1.5680 x 10 -7	coefficient for YSI 44006 thermistor

8.7 Script Process – Future Feature

The Script process executes a user-defined Micro-Python program. The program executes based on specified interval and offset parameters, with a minimum interval of one minute.

The program is time-boxed, meaning it must be completed within 10s or it will be blocked. This may limit programs that require sensor communication. Multiple programs can be used to ensure programs completely, one script for reading the sensors and a second for performing any calculations or tasks.



- 1. The *Script Name* defines the name of the process. Like other processes, this name appears on the associated tile on the *Processes* screen.
- 2. Set the *Process Interval* to specify how often the script is run. The minimum interval is one minute (00:01:00).
- 3. The *Process Offset* specifies the time delay from midnight at which the script starts running.
- 4. Enter the script program using logical operators in the *Program Preview* field.
- 5. Press the **Load** button to load a script from the data logger's internal memory or from USB flash drive.
- 6. Press the **Save** button to save and apply the changes.

8.8 Weighted Avg. (Average) Process – Future Feature

Press the **Weighted Avg** button on the Process screen. The Weighted Avg screen is displayed.



The weighted average function in the data logger is used to smooth out data readings over time, giving more importance (or "weight") to newer readings while still retaining the influence of past data. This helps to filter out sudden spikes or drops in sensor readings, providing a steadier output.

8.8.1 How it Works

Mathematically:

Running Average	Weighted Average				
$Y_n = (y_n + y_{n-1} + + y_m) / N$	$Y_n = [1 - exp(-3t / T)] x (y_n - Y_m) + Y_m$				
Where,	Where,				
- Y_n is the next average,	- Y_n is the next average,				
- y_n is the new sample,	- Y _m is the current average,				
 y_{n-1} to y_m are previous samples, 	 t is the sample interval, sensor Measurement Interval, 				
- N is the number of samples.	- T is the average interval, <i>WindowLength,</i>				
	- y_n is the new sample value.				

New Data Gets More Weight:

- When a new reading comes in (y_n), the logger doesn't just take a simple average. Instead, it uses a mathematical factor based on how often readings are taken (t) and how long the average should represent (T).
- New readings closer together (small t) or shorter averaging periods (small T) will give more weight to the latest reading.
Older Data Slowly Fades:

• Older readings are still considered (via Y_m), but their influence decreases over time.

The Exponential Factor:

- The term [1 exp (-3t / T)] controls how much of the new reading gets blended with the existing average.
- If t is small compared to T, the logger updates the average slowly (smoothing).
- If t is large or T is small, the logger reacts faster to new data.

8.8.2 Weighted Avg Configuration

Input Tab

The <u>Input</u> tab allows customization of input sources and labels for the weighted average calculation.

🚝 Proc	esses > Weighte	ed Avg	00:00:00 (UTC)
Input	Sample		
Datapoir	nt Input	Ľ	
A	d Back		Save

- 1. Press the **Edit** button to select a data point as an input parameter.
- 2. Select Variable.
- 3. Press the **Save** button to save and apply the changes.

Sample Tab

The <u>Sample</u> tab sets parameters for determining the weighted average over a specified period.

🚝 Proc	esses > \	Weighted Avg		C	0:00:00 (UT	C)
Input	Sample					
Process Name Process Interval		DepthAvg	Ľ			
		00:20:20	Ľ	Process Offset	00:00:00	Ľ
Window Length		00:00:00	Ľ	Estimated Samples		Ľ
Required Samples	d Min S			Value if Sensor Error	-999	۷
A	∢ Ba	ck			Sav	/e

- 1. The *Process Name* defines the name of the process.
- 2. *Process Interval* sets the frequency that the process is executed.
- 3. Use *Process Offset* to set a delay before the process begins.
- 4. *Window Length* is the period over which samples are included in the calculation.
- 5. *Estimated Samples* is automatically generated based on the sensor *Measurement Interval* and the *Window Length*.
- 6. Sensor communication errors can result in missed readings. Set the *Required Min Samples* to the minimum number of samples for a confident calculation.
- 7. In case of a sensor failure, the *Value if Sensor Error* displays the value substituted in log and telemetry data.
- 8. Press the **Save** button to save and apply the changes.

8.9 Delete Processes – Future Feature

The Delete Processes screen provides a straightforward way to manage active processes. It allows users to identify, evaluate, and delete any processes that are no longer required.



- 1. Select the checkbox for the desired process/processes users wish to delete.
- 2. Press the **Delete Selected** button to remove the selected processes.

9 Datalog Menu

The **Datalog** displays complete information on data storage and management. It is used to create or edit data log definitions, download stored data, and remove unneeded log definitions.



The Datalog screen displays the following key aspects related to data storage:

- **Progress Bar** represents the current data storage. The filled area indicates the amount of storage used while the empty part indicates the capacity available.
- *Total Capacity* displays the total data storage, shown here as 120 days.
- *Free Capacity* displays the remaining storage available, shown here as 31 days.
- Oldest Data indicates the timestamp of oldest previously recorded data in the data logger.
- *Newest Data* indicates the timestamp of most recently recorded data in the data logger.

Action Bar Buttons

- Delete Delete Delete Delete log definitions.
- □ Settings . Accesses the log list for viewing or editing log definition.
- Download 📥 : Presents the log list to selection and download to USB.

9.1 Configure Datalogging

As explained in General Theory of Operations, all sensor data is saved to the data store at the specified *Measurement Interval*. Similarly, processes and calculations are saved to the data store at their respective processing intervals.

Logging Intervals are, effectively, database queries of the data store. These may be created, edited, and deleted without affecting any stored data. For practical purposes, the "data log" can be envisioned as a static file.

1. Press the **Settings** button on the Datalog screen. The Logging Intervals screen is displayed.

📕 Data > Logo	ging Inte	ervals	00:00:	00 (UTC)
Select Log to View Details				
† •	Back		View Details	+

The Logging Intervals screen displays a list of data log definitions.

Action Bar Buttons

- Add +: Adds new or modifies existing logging intervals.
- □ **View Details:** Displays information for the selected datalog entry.

9.1.1 View Details

The **View Detai**ls button opens the log definition to viewing and editing.

- 1. Highlight a specific log definition.
- 2. Press View Details to open Setup.



- 3. The log configuration can be viewed and changed.
- 4. If the *Conditional* box is checked, **Next** will advance to the *Conditions* screen.
- 5. Otherwise, **Next** will return to the Logging Intervals screen.

Refer to the next section, Add Log Interval, for more information on configuring and editing a log interval definition.

9.1.2 Add Log Interval

Log setup utilizes a list-builder to select and order data points to be provided in the downloaded log file.

1. Press the Add + button of the Logging Intervals screen.

The Setup screen is displayed.



- 2. Specify the time *Interval* between data points.
- 3. Set the specific start *Offset* for data logging clock time.
- 4. Using the list builder, select from **Available** data points to add to the *Selected* list. The order of the selected data points may be rearranged by selecting the name and using the up and down arrows.

<u>Note</u>: If this differs from the *Measurement Interval* and *Offset* for the respective data point, the nearest time value will automatically be selected for the log file.

For more information on *Interval* and *Offset*, refer to Understanding Interval and Offset Timing in the General Operating Information section.

5. If conditional logging is required, select the *Conditional* checkbox to enable the conditional logging. Otherwise, press *Next* to complete the log definition.



- 6. *Input Data Points* column displays a list of variables that can be for the conditional trigger. This value is used to modify the log definition, including log data based on the conditional expression.
- 7. *Operator* is the comparison operator used for the conditional expression.
- 8. Condition type specifies the right-hand side of the expression:
 - Value can be set to an interger or decimal numeric value.
 - **Change since last logged value** dynamically evaluates the condition based on the prior measured value, triggering a log entry from the condition.
 - **Change in last** to log data if the variable's change during the specified interval satisfies the conditions.
- 9. The *Expression* field displays the complete expression based on the selected variable, operator, and condition type.
- 10. Press the **Finish** button to save and apply the changes. The Logging Intervals screen is displayed.

9.1.3 Delete Log Definition

Logs definitions can be automatically created when configuring new sensors and when building telemetry messages. This can create unwanted or duplicate log definitions.

Note: Log Intervals may be created, edited, and deleted at anytime without affecting the actual data storage.

1. Press **Delete** button on the *Datalog* screen. The *Logging Intervals* screen is displayed.



- 2. Select the line of the unwanted log definition, or **Select All** button.
- 3. Press the **Delete** button to remove the log definitions.

Download Data Log

The **Download** function allows users to export data from the data logger to a USB flash drive.

1. Press the **Download** button of the *Datalog* screen. The *Download Data* screen is displayed.

Datalog > Download > Configure Data File 00:00:00 (UTC)										
Select logs to Download										
↑ 8	ack		Next 🕨							

2. Select log definition to be downloaded.

3. Press the **Next** button to proceed.

The Configure Data File screen is displayed to select the data range.

Data > Downi	00:00:00 (UTC)								
Select Data Range									
O All									
O Custom	From: To:	2025-01-01 00:00:00	C						
🔒 🖣 🕈	ck		Next 🕨						

- 4. Select one of the following options:
 - **All** to download all available data logs.
 - o Since Last Download Future Release
 - *Custom* and set the *From*(start) and *To*(end) date.
- 5. Press the **Next** button to proceed. The Configure Data File screen is displayed.

Data > Dowr	iload > Select Data Format	00:00:00 (UTC)
Output Format	O csv	
Date/Time Format	YYYY-MM-DD HH:mm:ss	
Replace blank fields with	-9999	
O Include Un	its in Heading	
	lack	Download

- a. *Output Format* is set to CSV, enabling data export in a standard ASCII text format compatible with most analysis tools.
- b. *Date/Time Format* defines how timestamps appear in the exported file, ensuring consistency in data logging.
- c. *Replace Blank Fields* is preset to -9999, representing missing data with a defined placeholder.
- d. *Include Units in Heading* adds a second heading row that shows the units for the data values.

e. Press the **Download** button to start extracting and downloading the file to an attached USB flash drive.

The Download Data screen is displayed.



<u>Note</u>: Insert a USB flash drive BEFORE selecting Download. Log data extraction and download will not proceed if a USB flash drive is not inserted before starting the download. If this occurs, simply Cancel and reset the format and date range.

9.1.4 Export Data to USB

To export data to USB flash drive:

- 1. Plug a flash drive into one of the data logger's USB HOST ports.
- 2. Press the **Datalog** menu on the Home screen.
- 3. Press the **Download** button.



- 4. Select the desired log(s) to download.
- 5. Press the **Next** button.
- 6. Select the desired date range.
- 7. Press the **Next** button.

- 8. Select the desired *Output Format* and enter the other details.
- 9. Press the **Download** button to download the data. This process may take several minutes to complete.

10 Current Conditions Menu – Future Feature

There are three locations users can find current sensor readings:

- Home screen carousel Limited to 9 values.
- Sensor Status tab Requires opening each sensor.
- Current Conditions screen Consolidates up to 25, user-selectable data points on a scrollable window.

Current Conditions values are automatically or manually refreshed.

1. Press the **Current Conditions** menu on the Home screen. The Current Condition screen is displayed.

log Current Cor	nditions		00:00:00	(UTC)
Temperature:	44.5°F			
Humidity:	38%			
Dew Point:	20.6°F			
f			C	\$

Action Bar Buttons

- Refresh : Manually updates the current condition values by retrieving the latest sensor data from the data logger.
- □ Settings : Configures which current condition data points are displayed.

10.1 Current Condition List

To select data points to display:

- 1. Press the **Current Conditions** menu on the Home screen.
- 2. Press the Settings button.



3. Select and move variables from the *Available* to the *Selected* for monitoring.

Change the order by selecting the data point and using up and down arrows.

Important. The first 9 (nine) values that are selected for the *Current Condition* screen will appear on the sliding carousel on the Home screen.

- 4. Press the **Save** button to save and apply the changes.
- 5. Press the **Refresh** button on the *Current Conditions* screen to update the display with the latest sensor readings.
- 6. Press the Home button to go to the Home screen.

<u>Important</u>: Manual refresh does not initiate a new set of readings from SDI sensors or process outputs. Instead, SDI sensors continue to display the last recorded value based on their defined reading interval, which could be several minutes or hours old.

11 Telemetry Menu

The **Telemetry** menu configures and manages radio receivers, transmitters, and transceivers of Axiom data logger. These include:

- AEM G6 GOES transmitter An internal option
- Iridium SBD transceiver An internal option
- GPS-GNSS receiver An internal option when G6 is not installed
- AirTalk transceiver controller (also known as RVT2) An internal option
- Cellular data transceiver An external option

11.1 Telemetry General Information

To configure the telemetry settings:

 Press the Telemetry menu on the Home screen.
 Tiles represent configured telemetry modes. Typically, internal telemetry options installed or sold with the data logger will be configured.



- 2. Press Add + button to view telemetry profiles.
- 3. **Delete** presents a new screen where telemetry devices can be removed from the data logger.



<u>Note</u>: This may only be needed if a telemetry mode has been deleted from the configuration by a user or **Factory Reset** (see Service menu).

11.2 Status Indicator Overview

The *To Next GOES Tx* field of the *Home* screen indicates the time remains until the next scheduled data transfer through the GOES telemetry system. This countdown specifies when the data logger will send its next data packet to the satellite. If no time is displayed, it means that the telemetry system is not currently scheduled for transmission or must be configured.

11.3 Add Telemetry Device

The Add option simplifies the process of expanding the data logger's telemetry capabilities. Users can integrate new telemetry devices and customize them further to enhance the system's functionality.

1. Press the **Add** + button of the *Telemetry* screen. The *Add* screen is displayed.



2. Select the telemetry device users wish to add to the data logger by pressing on it. This will navigate users to the configuration screen specific to the selected device to customize its settings.

11.4 Delete Telemetry Device

The Telemetry Delete provides a user-friendly interface for managing and removing telemetry devices that are no longer required.

1. Press the **Delete** button on the Telemetry screen. The Delete screen is displayed.



- 2. Select the device/devices that users wish to remove or delete from the data logger.
- 3. Press the **Delete Selected** button to delete the devices.

11.5 GOES

The GOES (Geostationary Operational Environmental Satellite) system is a network of satellites operated by the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration (NOAA). Environmental monitoring stations, including those focused on wildfire risk management and water resources, can use GOES satellite communication to transmit data to central collection points.

Axiom Data Loggers, for example, includes integrated GOES satellite transmitter options that allow periodic uploads.

These systems use a specific transmission protocol with assigned channels, timing windows, and identification codes (NESIDs) to ensure reliable data delivery through the satellite network. This capability is particularly valuable for stations deployed in extreme environments that require consistent transmission of critical environmental data.

AEM (FTS) G6 may be installed internally to Axiom Data Loggers. The option provides GOES telemetry for Axiom data loggers.

11.5.1 Compliance

AEM (FTS) G6 meets NOAA communication standards known as CS2. The following table shows the key characteristics of CS2.

	Operating Characteristics			
Channel numbers	1-266, 301-566			
Bit rates (bps) 300 bps - Channels 1-266 and 301-566				
	1200 bps - Every third channel from 3-264 (i.e., 3,6,9264) and from 301-565 (i.e., 301, 304565)			
RF power level	26–38.5 dBm, variable			

11.5.2 GOES Status

1. Press the **GOES** button on the Telemetry screen. The GOES Status screen provides essential information about the device.



- o G6 transmitter information model number, serial number, firmware version
- o G6 transmitter configuration NESID, satellite, channel, transmit power
- Transmitter status reflected power, SWR, power supply, last transmit time, GPS fix, and clock status, fail-safe trip warning
- o Calculated antenna orientation inclination, bearing for assigned satellite

Action Bar Buttons

- □ Fail-Safe Reset Reset : Restores G6 transmitter function.
- **Settings** : Opens the G6 GOES transmitter settings screen.

11.5.3 G6 GOES Transmitter Configuration

The Config G6 provides access to the configuration settings of G6 transmitter. Users can adjust the parameters and settings of G6 for optimal performance of the transmitter.

1. Press **Settings** button on the *Telemetry* screen. The Configure G6 screen is displayed.

TX Tab

The <u>**TX**</u>(transmitter) tab configures the G6 transmission settings.

((•)) Tele	metr	y > 0	OES > C	onfig G6			00:00	:00 (UTC)
Tx	Da Poir	ta nts	Msg Buffer	G6 Log	F7 Tx Log	Adv	Sched Msg	ule J
NESID		000	000000	Ľ	Satellite		East	O West
Primary (Timed) C	Ch.	0		Ľ	Baud Ra	ate 🤇	300	0 1200
Seconda (Random	ry) Ch.	0		C	RF Tx Power (dBm)		37.5	Ľ
A	R	Ba	ck					Save

- 1. **NESID** is a unique assigned by National Environmental Satellite, Data, and Information Service (NESDIS), which is part of the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration (NOAA).
- 2. *Satellite* is based on the device's location to optimize communication.
 - o GOES-East Automatically selected for odd channel numbers.
 - o *GOES-West* Automatically selected for even channel numbers.
- 3. *Primary (Timed) Channel* is used for scheduled transmissions at the time slot indicated for the NESID.
- 4. Select the *Baud Rate* provided with the NESID.
 - o **300**
 - o *1200*
- 5. *Secondary (Random) Channel* acts as a backup to handle unscheduled (random) transmissions and automatically activates if the primary channel fails, maintaining continuous data transfer.
- 6. *RFTx Power (dBm)* is typically set to 26–38.5 dBm. Use 32dBm when an AEM EON antenna is installed.
- 7. Press the **Save** button to save and apply the changes on all tabs.

Data Points Tab

Several data points are available by which critical operating metrics of G6 can be monitored. When assigned names, these can be viewed in *Current Conditions*, transmitted, and logged.

((•)) Tele	((•)) Telemetry > GOES > Config G6 00:00:00 (UTC)									
тх	Data Points	Msg Buffer	G6 Log	J	F7 T) Log	X	Adv	Sched Msg	Random Msg	
Forward Power YF 🗹 dBm Time Stamp:										
Reflected Power YR		YR	Ľ	d	3m		Measure			
SWR		SWR	Ľ		(0	Tx Sched	lule		
Pwr Supply During Tx YB		Ľ	V							
A	∢ в	ack							Save	

- 1. *Forward Power* displays the RF output power (measured in dBm) of the G6 transmitter during the most recent transmission.
- 2. Select the *Time Stamp* option to specify when data points are recorded.
 - o *Measure* Records data immediately.
 - *Tx Schedule* Aligns recordings with the transmission schedule.
- 3. *Reflected Power* displays the RF power (measured in dBm) reflected to the G6 transmitter from the antenna connection during the most recent transmission.
- 4. SWR (Standing Wave Ratio) measures signal efficiency.

SWR is a measure of the impedance mismatch between the transmission line and the antenna. It is determined by comparing forward and reflected power. An SWR of 1:1 indicates a perfect match and maximum power transfer. Values below 1.5 are generally considered acceptable, with an SWR of 1.5 corresponding to about 4% of the power being reflected.

- 5. **Power Supply During Tx (V)** reflects the power supply voltage during transmission when the battery is under load. A low voltage will reduce transmitted power and may indicate insufficient charge on the battery, cold battery, or an aging battery.
- 6. Press the Save button to save and apply the changes made to all tabs.

Message Buffer Tab – Future Release

((•)) Tele	metry > 0	GOES > C		00:00:00	(UTC)			
Тх	Data Points	Msg Buffer	G6 Log	F7 Tx Log	Adv	Schedule Msg		
Vi Mes	View Timed Self Timed: 220 of Max Message Buffer 339 bytes at 22:00:00							
Vie Mes	View RandomRandom: 0 of Max 0Message Bufferbytes at 23:59:59							
A	∢ Ba	ck					Save	

The Message Buffer tab is used to view expected messages.

- **Preview Scheduled Message** uses the data point names and message settings to show the fields to be transmitted.
- Preview Random Message Buffer same as above.

G6 Log Tab – Future Release

The <u>G6 Log</u> tab displays a comprehensive log of transmission events in the format YYYY/MM/DD HH:MM:SS. It provides details about the status of time and random transmissions, including any errors or aborted transmissions.

The log is captured by the G6 itself.

((•)) Tele	metry > 0	€OES > C		00:00:00	(UTC)		
Тx	Data Points	Msg Buffer	G6 Log	F7 Tx Log	Adv	Schedule Msg	
2015/05,	/28 15:18:	33 TX Ab	orted: Tin	ned Tx Bu	ffer		Save to USB
f	d Ba	ck					Save

- 1. Insert a USB flash drive into the data logger.
- 2. Press the **Save to USB**^{Save to} button at the top right corner.

F7 TX (Transmission) Log Tab - Future Release

The **F7 TX Log** tab shows the transmissions and events of Axiom.

<mark>((•))</mark> Tele	metry > 0		00:00:00	(UTC)			
Тх	Data Points	Msg Buffer	G6 Log	F7 Tx Log	Adv	Schedule Msg	
Transmission Summary # Successful ST Ty Since Last System Paset: 0							
# Failed # Succe # Failed	d ST Tx Si essful Tx d Tx In Lo	nce Last : In Log: 21 q:23	System Re 0	eset: 0		Save to USB	
# Palled 1x in Log.23 Delete Log						ete Log	
A	∢ Ba	ck					Save

- 1. The **View Details** button provides access to individual transmission reports. The circular telemetry log file can store approximately 500 reports and will automatically overwrite the oldest entries when the file reaches its capacity.
 - a. Press the View Details button.

The View Details screen is displayed.

(•) Telemetry > GOES > View Details	00:00:00 (UTC)			
Entry Number: # Type:	<<			
Length: Start Time: End Time:	<			
Fwd Pwr:	>			
Power Supply During Tx:	>>			
A Back				

- Entry Number Serialized message ID.
- Message Status Date, time, and results of transmission.
- Transmitter Enabled/Disabled at scheduled time of transmission.
- RTC Valid/Invalid real-time clock value at time of transmission
- GPS Last date of successful GPS fix and time synchronization.
- Failsafe OK/Tripped status at time of transmission
- Supply Voltage Power input during transmission, when battery is under load.

- Freq F-OCX0 Represents the frequency value associated with the Oven-Controlled Crystal Oscillator (OCX0) at the time of transmission.
- Freq F-TCXO Indicates the frequency value associated with the Temperature-Compensated Crystal Oscillator (TCXO) at the time of transmission.

Warning: Even if the GPS is synchronized, both oscillators must be calibrated for optimal transmission. Calibration must be done at the factory.

- b. Use the **First**, **Last**, **Previous**, and **Next** buttons to navigate through the log entries.
- 2. The **Save to USB** button on the F7TX Log tab writes the full GOES telemetry log file to the inserted USB flash drive.
- 3. The **Delete Log** button permanently removes all stored transmission GOES log data.
 - a. Press the **Delete Log** button. A Warning message is displayed.



i. Press the Yes button to confirm and delete the transmission logs. Or

Press the No button to cancel and return to the F7TxLog screen.

Adv (Advanced) Tab – Future Release

The <u>Adv (Advanced)</u> tab provides advanced tools for managing and testing the G6 GOES transmitter.

((•)) Telemetry > GOES > Config G6						00:00:00	(UTC)
Тх	Data Points	Msg Buffer	G6 Log	F7 Tx Log	Adv	Schedule Msg	
	Те	st Tx					
Command Line							
A	∢ Ba	ck					Save

Test Tx (Transmission) button configures transmission settings such as NESID, channel, and schedule.

1. Press the **Test Tx** button.

The Test Tx (Transmission) screen is displayed.



- 2. Enter *NESID* for the test transmission.
- 3. Select the desired *Bit Rate* for the test transmission.
 - o **300** Ensures reliable transmission in low-signal conditions.
 - o *1200* Ensures faster data transmission in strong signal conditions.
- 4. Specify the *Test Type* for test transmission.
 - *Fixed Message* Sends a predefined test message to verify transmitter functionality and communication.
 - o *Carrier Only -* Sends only the carrier signal to assess the transmission carrier's quality.
- 5. Select the **Channel** for the test transmission.

- o *195 East*: Transmits to the GOES-East satellite on channel 195.
- o *196 West*: Transmits to the GOES-West satellite on channel 196.
- *Random:* Enables the system to select a random channel for the test transmission.
- 6. Press the **Send** button to transmit a test message according to the parameters specified on the *Test Tx* screen.

Command Line button provides an interface to manually enter commands directly to the G6 transmitter. Commands are found in the G6 product manual.

 Press the Command Line button. The Command screen is displayed with a keyboard.

Commands Port A							Next
							Back
Α	С	D	Ι	М	R	V	Х
1	2	3	4	5	!	?	ABC
6	7	8	9	0	Return	Back	Num

- 2. Enter the desired command in the *Command Input* field using the keyboard.
- 3. Press the **Enter** button to submit the entered command to the transmitter. Or

Press the **Back** button to the previous screen.

11.5.4 GOES Messages

Axiom data loggers can transmit several GOES message types and data formats.

Message Types

There are two general types of messages, Scheduled and Random.

- *Scheduled messages* Sent at the interval (typically hourly) and offset from the hour that is assigned to the specific NESID.
- *Random messages* Smaller and may be sent at any time but typically no less than 15 minutes apart. Since any device may transmit a random message, there is greater possibility of a collision and failure to deliver.

The allowed message types are enabled based on the selected *Message Format* shown on the <u>Schedule Message</u> tab. For example, BLM message format does not allow *Random* messages.

((·)) Telemetry > GOES > Config G6 00:00:00 (UTC)						(UTC)	
Tx	Data Points	Msg Buffer	G6 Log	F7 Tx Log	Adv	Schedule Msg	
Interval			Ľ	First Tx			Ľ
Window	(Sec)		Ľ	Enable empty data message			nessage
Messag Format	e		View Add Messages Messag			Add essages	
A	∢ Ba	ck					Save

Selecting the Edit button on the Message Format field will open the selection screen.

((·)) Te	lemetry > GOES > Messa	ge Format	00:00:00 (UTC)		
0	BLM				
0	Time Ordered	Not Implemented. Future Release.			
0	WSC [SHEF Code]	Not Implemented. Future Release.			
0	USGS Pseudo Binary	Not Implemented	I. Future Release.		
A	Back		Next 🕨		

- **BLM**(Bureau of Land Management) The BLM Message Format is an ASCII-based standardized format widely used in fire weather applications. It converts critical weather data, including temperature, humidity, wind speed, and direction, into a readable text format for easy transmission, analysis, and integration with fire control systems. The format allows for customizable data point selection and precision settings to optimize message content.
- *Time-ordered* Time-ordered messages use a time-stamped, recurring transmission of ASCII (plain text) measurement data. This format also supports Random messages, or a combination of both. Random messages may be transmitted based on measurement conditions.
- *WSC* (Water Survey Canada) The WSC format uses the Standard Hydrologic Exchange Format (SHEF) coding system to efficiently transmit hydrological data. This format is specifically designed for water resource monitoring applications and supports conditional transmission triggers based on threshold events.

WSC format allows for multiple message types including scheduled (self-timed) transmissions, random event-based transmissions, conditional transmissions based on preset thresholds, alarm hold-off features to prevent message flooding during rapidly changing conditions, and redundant messaging for critical data assurance. The format's

structured approach enables efficient data processing by Canadian water monitoring systems.

• USGS Pseudo Binary – The USGS Pseudo Binary format is a specialized transmission protocol developed for the United States Geological Survey that encodes numeric data in a compact binary-like format while still using ASCII characters. This approach significantly reduces message size compared to plain text formats, allowing more data to be transmitted within bandwidth constraints.

The format supports both scheduled and random transmissions with conditional triggering options based on measurement thresholds. It includes features like alarm hold-off periods to prevent excessive messaging during rapidly changing conditions and redundant transmission capabilities for critical monitoring stations. USGS-PB is particularly valuable for water resource monitoring applications where data transmission efficiency is essential.

The configuration of each message format is covered in the following sections.

11.5.5 BLM Format



1. Go to the <u>Sched Msg</u> tab on the Config G6 screen.

2. Touch the *Message Format* field and select BLM from the radio buttons.



- 3. Selecting **Next** will return to the <u>Sched Msg</u> tab.
- 4. Set *TX Interval* to the transmission period in HH:MM:SS format, with a valid range of 5 minutes (00:05:00) to 1 day (24:00:00).
- 5. Enter the **TX Time** offset to the assigned by National Environmental Satellite, Data, and Information Service (NESDIS).

<u>Note</u>: For more information on *Interval* and *Offset*, refer to Understanding Interval and Offset Timing in the General Operating Information section.

- 6. Set *Window* to the seconds (typically 10) provided with the NESID.
- 7. Check the *Enable empty data message* box to send the message "NO DATA AVAILABLE FOR TRANSMISSION" when there is no data. This confirms that transmission would have succeeded if data had been available. Enabling this option is recommended but ensure compatibility with the reception software before use.

Add Message Button

The **Add Message** is used to create new message content. It provides options to select variables for inclusion, set the transmission interval, and configure the offset time for message scheduling.

1. Press the **Add Messages** button on the Transmit Setup screen. The *Add Msg* screen is displayed.

((•)) Telemetry > GOES > Add N	00:00:00 (UTC)			
Available		Selected		
			^	
	4		-	
Back			Save	

- 2. *Data Interval* defines the frequency of data measurements that will be pulled from the data store when preparing a GOES message.
 - A buffer interval of 00:00:00 will only pull one measurement value per transmission for the listed data points.
 - A buffer interval of less than the *TX Interval* will pull multiple measurements per transmission.

Example: *TX Interval* is set to 01:00:00. *Data Interval* is set to 00:05:00. Each data point in the set will include 12 comma-separated values of measurements stored over the last hour.

3. *Offset* is the time of the data values.

Example: If the TX Time 00:20:00 (20 minutes past the hour), a Data Interval of 1:00:00 and an Offset of 00:18:00 means data that is two minutes prior to the transmission time will be sent.

<u>Note</u>: For more information on *Interval* and *Offset*, refer to Understanding Interval and Offset Timing in the General Operating Information section.

4. Select the *Log Data* checkbox to automatically create a data log definition that matches the GOES message data points, interval, and offset. This log definition may then be edited, expanded, or deleted in the **Datalog** menu.

Note: Log Data checkbox creates a normal measurement data log. The TX Log and G6 Log are different logs.

- Select from the *Available* data points and press the **Right Arrow** button to move them to the *Selected* list. Similarly, *Selected* data points can be removed with the Left Arrow button.
- Selected items may be ordered using the Up and Down arrows.
- 5. Highlight (touch) each data point in the *Selected* column and press Format button to define the number of decimal places.
- 6. Press the Save button to record the precision for the selected data point.
- 7. Message Parameters are not applicable to BLM messages.
- 8. Press the Save button to save and apply the changes.

Message Preview Button

The Preview Message presents a structured view of the fields used for message.

The same process is used for all *Scheduled Messages*. Refer to the Add Message section and Preview Message section under *BLM Format*.

((·)) Telemetry > GOES > Message Preview 00:00:00 (UTC						
Message Preview	1234567					
Message Size	20 OK/Exceeds Max					
† •	Back					

View Messages

The preview Messages screen displays a list of all configured GOES messages currently stored in the data logger that are scheduled for transmission.

 Press the View Messages button on the Transmitter Setup screen. The View Msg screen is displayed. The screen displays a list of currently stored messages that are scheduled for transmission.

((•)) Telemetry >	GOES > View Msg	00:00:00 (UTC)
Select Message to View and Edit		
🔒 🖣	ack	View Details

Select the desired message from the list and press the **View Details** button to view details of the message.

- 2. Delete allows users to delete the desired messages.
 - a. Press the **Delete** button and select the message or messages.
 - Press the **Delete** button. Deleting the message is irreversible. Ensure that necessary data is backed up before proceeding. A Warning screen is displayed.



- i. Press the **Yes** button to confirm.
 - Or

Press the **No** button to cancel and go back to the previous screen.

11.5.6 Time Ordered Format – Future Release

1. Go to the <u>Sched Msg</u> tab on the Config G6 screen.

((•)) Tele	metry > 0	GOES > C	onfig G6			00:00:00	(UTC)
Tx	Data Points	Msg Buffer	G6 Log	F7 Tx Log	Adv	Schedule Msg	Random Msg
Messag Format	е		Ľ	Enable empty data message			
TX Inter	val	Ľ		Tx Time	е		Ľ
Window (Sec)			Add Messa	l Pre Ige Me	eview ssage	View Messages	
A	∢ Ba	ck					Save

2. Touch the *Message Format* field and select Time Ordered from the radio buttons.



- 3. Selecting Next will return to the <u>Sched Msg</u> tab.
- 4. Set *TX Interval* to the transmission period in HH:MM:SS format, with a valid range of 5 minutes (00:05:00) to 1 day (24:00:00).
- 5. Enter the **TX Time** offset to the assigned by National Environmental Satellite, Data, and Information Service (NESDIS).

<u>Note</u>: For more information on *Interval* and *Offset*, refer to Understanding Interval and Offset Timing in the General Operating Information section.

- 6. Set *Window* to the seconds (typically 10) provided with the NESID.
- 7. Check the *Enable empty data message* box to send the message "NO DATA AVAILABLE FOR TRANSMISSION" when there is no data. This confirms that transmission would have succeeded if data had been available. Enabling this option is recommended but ensure compatibility with the reception software before use.

Random Message Tab

The <u>Random Msg</u> tab provides options for configuring conditional message transmission. To enable random transmissions, the necessary random channel parameters must be provided by NESDIS and specified on the <u>TX</u> tab.

Note: Random transmissions have a maximum message size of 78 bytes. Any data exceeding this limit will be truncated.



1. Set the *Randomizing TX Interval* for repeated messages that are sent outside of the normal scheduled message. The actual transmission time will be random, but on average it will occur at this rate. Valid range is 5 to 99 minutes.

Randomizing % determines the range of randomization of the *Random TX Interval*. Random transmissions will occur at a uniformly distributed time within this range. Valid range is 10 to 50%.

For example, with a *Random TX Interval* of 15 minutes and a *Randomizing %* of 20%, the transmissions will be within 12 to 18 minutes (15 ± 3 minutes).

2. Check the *Include Random Message Counter* checkbox to include a two-digit sequence number that resets at 99.

Trigger Condition Button

The results of a data points comparison is used to trigger random messages.



Add Message Button

The same process is used for all message builders. Refer to the Add Message section under *BLM Format*.

Preview Message Button

The same process is used for message preview. Refer to the Preview Message section under *BLM Format*.

View Messages Button

The same process is used for viewing all messages. Refer to the View Message section under *BLM Format*.

11.5.7 WSC Format – Future Release

Defined by Water Surveys Canada, this self-contained ASCII format embeds parameter names and timing within the message, supporting GOES random transmissions.

11.5.8 USGS Pseudo-binary Format – Future Release

Developed by the United States Geological Survey, this bit-packed, modified ASCII transmission format facilitates flexible GOES random transmissions with efficient data encoding.

11.5.9 GOES Test Transmission

The **Test Tx** button on the Config G6 screen provides access to the Test Transmission functionality. Selecting this option displays the Test Tx screen, where users can send a test transmission for diagnostics or configuration verification.

1. Press the **GOES** button on the *Telemetry* screen. The GOES Status screen is displayed.

- 2. Press the **Config G6** button on the GOES Status screen. The Config G6 screen is displayed.
- 3. Goto<u>Adv</u>tab.

((•)) Tel	emetry > 0	GOES > Co	onfig G6			00:00:00	(UTC)
Тх	Data Points	Msg Buffer	G6 Log	F7 Tx Log	Adv	Schedule Msg	
	Те	st Tx				_	
	Command Line						
A	∢ Ba	ck					Save

4. Press the **Test Tx** button on the Config G6 screen. The Test Tx screen is displayed.

(··)) Telemet	ry > GOES > Test Tx	00:00:00 (UTC)
NESID	1234567	
Bit Rate	O 300	0 1200
Test Type	• Fixed Message	O Carrier Only
Channel	O 195 - East	O 196 - West O Random
^	d Back	Send

- a. Enter *NESID* for the test transmission.
- b. Select the desired *Bit Rate* for the test transmission.
 - *300* Ensures reliable transmission in low-signal conditions.
 - *1200* Ensures faster data transmission in strong signal conditions.
- c. Specify the *Test Type* for test transmission.
 - *Fixed Message* Sends a predefined test message to verify transmitter functionality and communication.
 - *Carrier Only* Sends only the carrier signal to assess the transmission carrier's quality.
- d. Select the *Channel* for the test transmission.

- *195 East*. Transmits to the GOES-East satellite on channel 195.
- *196 West*: Transmits to the GOES-West satellite on channel 196.
- *Random*: Enables the system to select a random channel for the test transmission.
- e. Press the **Send** button to transmit a test message according to the parameters specified on the *Test Tx* screen. A test transmission report is displayed once the test transmission is completed.

Test Transmission Example

The following is a sample of a fixed message test transmission. The message includes a header, added by the GOES Data Collection System, along with the test transmission data.

001014E809124191542G47-0NN195EFF00396

Operator Initiated Test Transmission:

DCS (Data Collection System) Header Breakdown

The table below breakdowns the header (001014E809124191542G47- $ONN195EFF00396\Box$) from the previous fixed message test transmission sample.

Code	Meaning
001014E8 09 124 19 15 42 G 47 - 0 N N 195 E FF 00396□	Fullheader
001014E8	DCP Address (NESDIS ID)
09	Year
124	Day of Year
19	Hour
15	Minute
42	Second
G	Message Code (see table below)
47	Signal Strength, 33 to 57 dBm (normal is 44 to 49)
-0	Frequency Offset in Hz
Ν	Modulation Index (N = normal, L = low, H = high)

Ν	Data Quality (N = normal, F = fair, P = poor)
195	Channel Number
E	Satellite (West, East)
FF	Uplink Carrier Status
00396	Number of Data Characters
	Flag word, 8 bits (see table below)

Message Code Descriptions

Code	Description
G	Good message
?	Message received with parity errors
W	Message received on wrong channel
D	Message received on multiple channels (duplicate)
А	Message received on multiple channels (duplicate)
Т	Message received early or late (time error)
U	Unexpected message received (>2 min early or late of assigned time)
М	Scheduled message is missing
Ν	PDT is incomplete

Flag Words Definition

	Code	Description
LSB]	Undefined
	2	Clock update since last transmission (1 = update, 0 = not)
	3	Clock update since last transmission (1 = update, 0 = not)
	4	Reed Solomon (1 = on, 0 = off); future enhancement
	5	Undefined
	6&7	ASCII = 10, Pseudo binary = 11, Binary = 01 (bit 6 / bit 7)
MSB	8	Odd parity for ASCII formatted data

11.5.10 Fail-Safe Reset

The Fail-Safe status is displayed at the center of the screen, along with an indicator showing whether it is OK or TRIPPED. When the failsafe status is OK, the system functions normally. If the status is TRIPPED or unknown, it means there is an issue. The status can be reset by pressing the Fail-Safe Reset button.

11.6 GPS

The GPS-GNSS (GPS) receiver provides essential data logger UTC time as well as automatic latitude, longitude, and elevation.

The time is used for GOES transmissions (if installed) and data log time values.

For power efficiency, the GPS receiver is only enabled once a day for resynchronization.

11.6.1 Sources

Depending on the configuration, Axiom data loggers use one of two different GPS-GNSS receiver sources.

- *G6 GOES Transmitter* A GPS receiver is built into G6 available in F7-G6 and H3-G6 product variants. The transmitter can run for up to 28 days without requiring GPS resynchronization.
- *GPS-GNSS receiver* When a G6 is not installed, a separate GPS receiver may be installed in the same internal position. The receiver is installed in F7-GN and F7-IR-GN variants.

11.6.2 GPS Status

The GPS source is automatically selected.

Depending on the operational status of the receiver, the GPS/GNSS status information may take a few seconds or several minutes to update. The GPS remains active until the user departs the screen or the data logger times out.

 Press the GPS button on the Telemetry screen. The GPS screen is displayed. This screen displays the detected receiver and its current values.



- o GPS Receiver Source displays the source of the GPS signal.
- *GPS Elevation* provides the elevation data captured by the GPS receiver.
- *GPS Lat/Lon* displays the current latitude and longitude coordinates from the GPS receiver.
- o Last Fix indicates the date and time when the last GPS was fixed.
- *Number Sat* shows the number of satellites currently connected to the GPS receiver.
- o Antenna Errors lists any errors or issues detected with the GPS antenna.

11.6.3 GPS Time Synchronization

When in normal data collection mode, the GPS receiver periodically powers on and synchronizes with UTC time. The automatic latitude, longitude, and elevation are updated.

The GPS fix occurs within 5 minutes, while UTC sync may take up to 20 minutes.

GPS and GOES

Time synchronization is required for GOES transmissions. If synchronization fails, the G6 module disables the GPS receiver for one minute before retrying.

The transmitter resyncs every 24 hours and operates for 28 days without sync. If synchronization is lost, transmissions will pause but resume automatically once UTC synchronization is restored.

GPS and Other

While timing is less critical that for GOES, GPS time synchronization is also required for data logging, and system timing, including cell phone and Iridium transmission scheduling.

11.6.4 GPS Receiver Setup

The GPS Settings screen allows users to configure location and elevation.



- 1. *Source* is set to Automate by default to allow the system to select the GPS source automatically.
- 2. Set *Sync Interval* to configure the frequency of the GPS synchronization. By default, it is set to sync in every 24 hours, which can be changed as required.
- 3. *GPS Elevation* is set to Automate by default to let the system automatically select the elevation data from the GPS source.



- 4. *GPS Lat/Lon* displays the current latitude and longitude of the GPS transmitter.
- 5. Press the **Get Fix & Sync** button to manually initiate the synchronization. It also updates the GPS data including elevation and position coordinates.

11.7 AirTalk – Future Release

AirTalk is an option for Quick-deploy (-QD) systems. It delivers verbal weather reports directly to firefighter radios.

Two types of user-configurable weather reports are transmitted:

• *Messages* - A voice transmission initiated in response to a received DTMF code.

Current temperature seventy-two degrees Fahrenheit, wind speed four miles per hour, humidity thirty-two percent.

• *Alerts* – An automatic voice announcement is triggered by weather conditions, such as low humidity or high wind.

Alert, alert, alert. Humidity is below twenty percent.

Note: Messages and Alerts transmissions are delayed if other radio activity is detected.

11.7.1 How Does It Work?

Axiom data loggers with the optional AirTalk module (models F7-xx-AX**-AT**-QD) can connect to external radios.

AirTalk requires a radio interface kit. This includes a cradle for a handheld radio, interface cable, coaxial feedline, and antenna. (Users provide the radio.)

Specific kits are available for:

- BK Technologies BKR5000
- BK Technologies KNG-P150

The interface cable provides power and control signals (carrier detect, audio, and PTT) from the **RADIO** connector on the data logger to the accessory connector on the radio.

The AirTalk module contains a pre-recorded vocabulary of English words and phrases. Messages are responses to DTMF codes transmitted from handheld or mobile radios. Alerts are automatically transmitted by the weather station when triggered by a weather condition. Users can construct both Messages and Alerts from the available vocabulary and data points. The full vocabulary list is provided in the last subsection under AirTalk.

When a voice transmission is called for, AirTalk waits for a clear channel and then keys the transmitter on the connected radio and transmits the audio.

When an AirTalk module is installed at the factory, the AirTalk tile is displayed on the *Telemetry* screen.



DTMF Timing and Messages

DTMF tones are often transmitted by holding the PTT button on a radio and pressing a numeral key.

The beginning of each tone in a sequence must be less than one second apart.

This timing may be used to create combinations of 2-, 3-, and 4-digit messages. For example:

- DTMF 22 Basic weather information, such as wind, temperature, humidity.
- DTMF 222 Adds dew point and fuel moisture.
- DTMF 2222 Adds solar radiation, peak wind.

<u>Warning</u>. After matching a code to an existing message, AirTalk will continue to receive codes before it begins transmitting the first message. These will be evaluated as separate message requests. This may occur when a four-digit code is entered two slowly or when multiple users request a message in close succession.

Since the second sequence may be cut off, this can lead to incomplete codes and unpredictable operation.

Best practice is to key only one DTMF code at a time, waiting for the response before keying in another code.

11.7.2 AirTalk Status

The initial AirTalk page provides information related to the AirTalk module, internal to the Data Logger. It does not provide any information related to the radio itself.

1. Press the **Air Talk Radio** button on the *Telemetry* screen. The *Air Talk Radio* screen is displayed.

((•)) Telen	netry > AirTalk			00:00:00 (UTC)
System Device Ty Language Last DTM Power Cy Cutoff: 10 Resume:	ype: AirTalk e: unknown IF Code Rec'd: none ycle Setting: Off 0.8V (def) 11.5v (def)	Recent A DTMF Me DTMF Me Alerts Qu Alerts Tra Total Trar	ctivity essages Qu essages Tra eued: 0 ansmitted: nsmissions	ueued: 0 ansmitted: 0 :: 0	
A	Back	\$	Queue History	Message	Alert

Status Fields

- Device Type indicates the type of device in use. In this case, it is AirTalk (or RVT2).
- *Last DTMF code Rec'd* displays the last DTMF (Dual-Tone Multi-Frequency) code received by the device.
- *Enabled* setting as Yes or No.
- *Disable on Power Up* indicates current setting as On of Off.
- *Cutoff* indicates the voltage cutoff value for the device. In this case, by default it is set to 10.8V.
- *Resume* indicates the voltage value at which the device will resume. In this case, by default it is set to 11.5V. Once the voltage reaches this point, the device will resume operation.
- The *Recent Activity* column reports queued and transmitted messages.

Note: In normal conditions, the queued count may only momentarily show a value before returning to zero and incrementing the "Transmitted" counters.

Action Bar Buttons

- Configuration: User this feature for changing the operational characteristics of the AirTalk module.
- Queue History: Displays queued and previously sent DTMF messages with timestamps for review.
- □ **Message**: Opens the interface to create and send manual DTMF messages.
- Alert: Opens the alert configuration screen for setting up and managing AirTalk alert triggers.

11.7.3 AirTalk Configuration

Through the Air Talk Configuration, users can configure the primary settings of the Air Talk system, which facilitates communication with the data logger.

1. Press the **Settings** button on the *AirTalk Radio* screen. The *AirTalk Configuration* screen is displayed.



2. If multiple stations might be in the same area, enter a one- or two-digit *Station Number* to identify the source of transmissions.

When the field contains a numeric value, messages and alerts will begin with "Station number <xx>...".

If no value is entered "Station number..." will not be transmitted.

3. *Suspend AirTalk* can be manually checked or cleared. Or...

If *Suspend on Power Up* is checked, *Suspend AirTalk* is automatically set when the data logger restarts after a power loss. This prevents unintended transmission when a Quick-deploy station is moved from one location to another.

Note: Suspending and resuming AirTalk does not affect the Enable/Disable status of individual Alerts or Messages. All Alerts and Messages are blocked when in suspend.

Important: When *Suspend on Power Up* is checked, users must manually resume AirTalk after each power interruption if they want to use the feature.

- 4. All Numbers Spoken As selects two different verbal renderings of numeric values:
 - o *Compound*-"Seventy-two"
 - Digit-by-Digit "Seven Two"
- 5. Press the **Save** button to save and apply the changes.

11.7.4 AirTalk Message Queue and History

Press the **Queue History** button to review messages awaiting transmission and past messages and transmissions.

Queue Tab

Messages or alerts that are awaiting transmission are listed in the Queue tab. These may be awaiting a clear channel, or a technical problem has interrupted the transfer of the messages to the AirTalk module.

In most cases, messages will appear only momentarily in the Queue, if at all.



The **Delete** button will delete un-transmitted messages.

The counters and data shown on the status screen will similarly be cleared.

Since the queue is transitory, **Download** only applies to the message history.

History Tab

Successfully transmitted messages and alerts are logged.

Important: A disconnected, defective, or unpowered radio cannot be detected by AirTalk. Messages are considered "successful" if loaded to the AirTalk module and it completes the "transmission" process.



Action Bar Buttons

- Delete : Erases the message log. The counters and data shown on the status screen will similarly be cleared.
- **Download Saves the message log to a USB flash drive**.

11.7.5 AirTalk Message Configuration

The AirTalk Message Configuration allows users to define and manage weather reports that are transmitted in response to DTMF (Dual-Tone Multi-Frequency) codes.

Each verbal message is composed of an optional station ID and one or more phrases.

Each phrase includes:

- *Descriptor* A combination of one or more words from the vocabulary library that describe the requested information.
- Data Point A measured value from one of the available data points.
- Units Measurement units for the data point.

For example, a firefighter may transmit DTMF code 2241 from their handheld radio.

AirTalk will wait for any current radio activity to stop and then respond with the verbal message:

Station ID 32, Current Temperature Seven Two Degrees Fahrenheit, Wind Speed Four Miles Per Hour, Humidity Three Two Percent.

Multiple messages may be configured for different DTMF codes.

(··) Telem	etry > Air Tal	00:00:00	(UTC)					
Enable	Messages							
	DTMF 999	DTMF 9999 (Disable All Alerts)						
Š	DTMF 8888 (Enable All Alerts) DTMF 2241 (Current Conditions)2TMF 24 (Fuels)							
9	DTMF [code] ([Message Description)]							
A	d Back	Enable/ Disable All	Edit	T	+			

<u>Note</u>: DTMF codes 9999 (Disable All Alerts) and 8888 (Enable All Alerts) are default codes and reserved for these functions.

Action Bar Buttons

- □ Enable/Disable All: Toggles the status of all listed DTMF messages. If any message is disabled, pressing this button enables all; if all are already enabled, it disables them in a single action.
- **Edit**: Opens the Message Configuration screen for editing DTMF code or description.
- Delete : Removes the selected DTMF message from the list.
- Add +: Adds a new DTMF message entry to the list.

11.7.6 Add New Message

Message Editor allows users to create and modify AirTalk messages by assigning phrases to a specific DTMF (Dual-Tone Multi-Frequency) code.

The screen also provides buttons to edit existing phrases and add new phrases which can then be used for new messages.



- 1. *Message Name* is the name of the message. Users can edit this field to rename the message. Each message name must be unique.
- 2. *DTMF Code* displays the assigned 2-4 digit DTMF code.

Note: On new data loggers, no phrases will be displayed. The user must define each phrase. Jump to the Add Phrase section then return here to complete Message Configuration.

- 3. The *Available Phrases* column contains user-defined phrases that can be added to the message.
 - Use the **Right Arrow** to add a phrase from the *Available* list to the *Selected* list and the Left Arrow to remove it.
- 4. The *Selected* column lists the phrases assigned to the message, which will be spoken in the specified order when the DTMF code is triggered.

• Adjust the speaking order by touching the desired phrase and move it using the **Up Arrow** and **Down Arrow** buttons.

Action Bar Buttons

- **Edit Phrase:** Opens Phrase Editor screen to edit phrase.
- **Test:** Sends the current DTMF message configuration as a test transmission.
- Add Phrase: Adds a new phrase to the list of available message components.

11.7.7 Add Phrase

Edit Phrase and Add Phrase buttons open the *Phrase Editor* screen. Phrases are the verbal components that make up Messages and Alerts.

(··) Telemetry	> Air Talk Rad	dio > Pl	hrase Editor	00:00:00 (L	ITC)			
Phrase Name	Air-Temp_F	Ľ	Datapoint	ATF	Ľ			
		Voc	cab Selection					
Descriptor	Datapoint1	Ľ	Units	Datapoint1	Ľ			
Preview Air Temperature [Datapoint1] Degrees Fahrenheit								
^	Back				Save			

- 1. *Phrase Name* assigns the name that will appear in the Message Configuration screen for *Available Phrases*.
- Datapoint is the measurement or calculated numeric value to be spoken by AirTalk. Select from the list of available data points then press Next.
 Pressing Back will return to the previous screen without applying (or changing) a data point selection.

((•)) Telem	netry > AirTal	k > Data Points	00:00:00 (UTC)
		Datapoints	
		ATF RH Wind_Avg DP FS	g_10m
A	d Back		Next 🕨

3. Vocabulary *Descriptor* defines the verbal phrase, selected from those available in the vocabulary library.

((•)) Telemetry > AirTal	k > Vocabulary Descriptors	00:00:00 (UTC)
	Vocabulary Descriptors	
	Air Temp Humidity Water Watts Gallons	
🔒 🖣 Back		Next 🕨

- 4. Select vocabulary *Units* for the measured value. If left blank, no units will be spoken.
- 5. The *Preview* field shows the constructed phrase.

Test Button

Once a phrase is constructed, **Test** may be used to transmit the phrase on an attached radio.

Delete Button

When editing or creating a new phrase, **Delete** will remove the phrase from the data logger, even if the phrase is included in a current message.

Pressing **Delete** button will present a confirmation screen. If confirmed, the user is returned to the Message Configuration screen.

Save Button

After all fields are complete, **Save** will write the phrase to memory and return the user to the Message Configuration screen.



11.7.8 AirTalk Alert Configuration

Automatic AirTalk notifications are broadcast based on custom thresholds.

Each verbal Alert is composed of:

- *Preamble* An announcement of the broadcast
- *Station Identifier* The ID or name of weather station broadcasting the alert.
- *Descriptor* A combination of one or more words from the vocabulary library that describe the information.
- *Relation* A comparison condition, such as "is above", "is below", "is equal to."
- Data Point Value The numeric value of the configured trigger threshold.

|Alert-----|
|[Preamble] [station ID] <Descriptor> <Relation> <Phrase 1>|

For example, an alert may be set to transmit when humidity drops below 20%.

When this condition is met, AirTalk will wait for the channel to clean and then transmit:

Alert. Station zero one. Humidity is below two zero percent.

Multiple alerts may be configured for different conditions, such as wind speed, humidity, fuel moisture, and other parameters.

Users can manage AirTalk alerts in the data logger by enabling, disabling, adding, or deleting alerts.

1. Press the **Alerts** button on the *Air Talk Radio* screen. The *Air Talk Alerts screen* displays all configured alerts with checkboxes to enable or disable individual alerts.



Action Bar Buttons

- □ Enable/Disable All: Toggles the status of all listed DTMF messages. If any message is disabled, pressing this button enables all; if all are already enabled, it disables them in a single action.
- **Edit**: Opens the Message Configuration screen for editing DTMF code or description.
- Delete : Removes the selected DTMF message from the list.
- Add +: Adds a new DTMF message entry to the list.

11.7.9 Add New Alert

Press the **Add** + button to add a new Alert. The same screens are used for editing existing Alerts.

Condition Tab

The **<u>Condition</u>** tab determines the threshold at which the alert activates based on sensor data.

((·)) Telemetry > Air Talk Radio > Queue-History						00:00:00	(UTC)
Cond.	Beh	avior	Phrase				
Alert N	ame	Aler	t_High_Te	emp_F	C	Opera	tor
Datapo	int	ATF			Ľ	0>	0<
Datapo	int	30		C		0>=	0<=
Expres	sion	ATF	> 30				0=
A		€ Bad	k			Î	ᆇ

- 1. Enter the desired name for the Alert in the *Alert Name* field.
- 2. Select a *Datapoint* that triggers the alert.
- 3. The *Threshold* specifies the numeric value that is evaluated to trigger the Alert.
- 4. Comparison *Operator* defines the condition for activation (e.g., > triggers when the value is above the threshold).

Action Bar Buttons

- □ **Test**: Broadcasts on the connected radio the message shown on the Phrase tab.
- Delete : Removes the current Alert and returns the user to the Alerts list screen.

Behavior Tab

The **<u>Behavior</u>** tab determines how often and how frequently an alert is repeated once activated.

((•)) Tel	emetr	00:00:0	00 (UTC)				
Cond.	Behav	vior	Phrase				
Dead Z	one	1	l	Ľ	Repeat	5	ď
Snooze 00:		02:00 (Ľ	Interval	00:05:00	. 2	
A		Bac	k		Test	T	Save

- 1. *Dead Zone*, also called deadband, neutral zone, or hysteresis, prevents redundant alerts caused by minor data fluctuations.
- 2. *Snooze* prevents multiple alerts with the specified period.
- 3. *Repeat* sets the number of times the alert is rebroadcast. A Repeat value of 3 will transmit the alert four (4) times.
- 4. Specify the *Interval* between each Alert repetition.



Action Bar Buttons

- **Test**: Broadcasts on the connected radio the message shown on the Phrase tab.
- Delete : Removes the current Alert and returns the user to the Alerts list screen.

Phrase Tab

The **<u>Phrase</u>** tab customizes the spoken alert message when the condition is met.

((·)) Telemetry > AirTalk > Alert Configuration							00:00:00 (UTC)	
Cond.	Behavio	r Phras	se						
Vocabulary Selection									
Preamble Alert Alert Alert									
Descriptor Air Temp			erature	Ľ	Ur	nits	Degrees	Fahrenheit	C
Preview Alert Alert Alert [Station ID xx] Air Temperature > 30 degrees Fahre									
A	∢ B	ack				Te	st	•	Save

- 1. *Preamble* can be used to differentiate automatic Alerts from a requested Message, calling attention to a critical condition.
- 2. *Descriptor* defines the datapoint type.
- 3. Units may be appended if the condition is a measurement.
- 4. *Preview* displays structure of the verbal alert.

Action Bar Buttons

- □ **Test**: Broadcasts on the connected radio the message shown on the Phrase tab.
- Delete : Removes the current Alert and returns the user to the Alerts list screen.

11.7.10 AirTalk Vocabulary

The device vocabulary contains pre-recorded words that may be combined to build a voice Alert or Message.

NATO Phonetic Alphabet

Also known as the International Radiotelephony Spelling Alphabet—is a standardized set of code words used to represent the 26 letters of the English alphabet. It is widely used in military, aviation, maritime, and emergency services to ensure clarity and avoid miscommunication, especially over radio or telephone, where poor signal quality or language barriers can cause confusion.

Any word, units, initials, or abbreviations not contained in the vocabulary library may be spelled out with the phonetic alphabet.

A — Alfa	F — Foxtrot	K — Kilo	Р — Рара	U — Uniform	Z — Zulu
B — Bravo	G – Golf	L — Lima	Q – Quebec	V-Victor	
C — Charlie	H — Hotel	M — Mike	R — Romeo	W – Whiskey	
D — Delta	I — India	N – November	S — Sierra	X — X-ray	
E-Echo	J — Juliett	O – Oscar	T — Tango	Y — Yankee	

Measurement Units

Amps	Gallons Per Second	Meters Per Second	One Kilometer Per Hour
Bottle	Inch	Microsiemen	One Knot
Bottles	Inch Of Mercury	Microsiemens	One Mile Per Hour
Celsius	Inches	Mile Per Hour	One Millimeter
Centimeter	Inches Of Mercury	Miles	One Volt
Centimeters	Kilometer	Millibar	Pint
Cubic Meter	Kilometers	Millibars	Pints
Cubic Meters	Kilometers Per Hour	Milligram	Quart
Degree	Kilopascal	Milligrams	Quarts
Degrees	Kilopascals	Millilitre	Volt
Degrees Celsius	Knot	Millilitres	Volts
Degrees Fahrenheit	Knots	Millimeter	Watt
Fahrenheit	Litre	Millimeters	Watt Per Square Meter
Fluid Ounce	Litre Per Second	Ntu	Watts
Fluid Ounces	Litres	One Degree	Watts Per Square Meter
Gallon	Litres Per Second	One Degree Celsius	
Gallon Per Second	Meter	One Degree Fahrenheit	
Gallons	Meters	One Inch	

Measurement Descriptors

AirTemperature	Peak Speed	Rain Gauge Bucket	Solar Panel Voltage
Barometric Pressure	Peak Wind	Rain Gauge Buckets	Solar Radiation
Battery Current	Peak Wind Speed	Rain Gauge Tips	Solar Voltage
Direction	Percent	Rain Limit	Speed
Fuel Moisture	Percent Full	Rain Limit Over	Turbidity
FuelTemperature	Plus	Soil Moisture	Water Level
Humidity	Point	Soil Temperature	WaterTemperature
Main Battery	Points	Solar Current	Wind Direction
Peak Direction	Rain	Solar Panel Current	Wind Speed

Preamble for Alerts

Alert	Alert Alert	Alert Alert Alert	
-------	-------------	-------------------	--

Comparison

Above	Is Above	Is Greater Than Or	Over
Below	Is Below	Is Less Than	Under
Equals	Is Equal To	Is Less Than Or Equal To	
ls	Is Greater Than	Is Not Equal To	

All Other Words

Equals	Off	Sensor Error	Station Number
Logger Not Responding	On	Station	
Minus	Relay	Station ID	

11.8 Aux Comm Configuration – Future Release

The data logger is equipped with an auxiliary communication port with software selectable RS-232 or RS-485 signals. RS-232 operates using full-duplex RXD and TXD signals and no handshaking signals. RS-485 is half-duplex, with pins for A (Data+) and B (Data-). Refer to Axiom Technical Guide for pin signals.

Switchable 12 V nominal battery power is provided through the Aux Comm connector.

Aux Comm supports select cellular modems, including AEM's 4G LTE Cat-M1/NB2 cellular modem (CTX-G1), which is compatible with major carriers like AT&T, Verizon, and other major carriers throughout the world.

The serial port may also be connected to a PC for low-level technical tools. See **Service** menu for more information.

This flexibility ensures that the data logger can adapt to various communication requirements, providing reliable data access across diverse monitoring environments.

11.8.1 Aux Comm Status

1. Press the **Aux Comm** button on the *Telemetry* screen. The *Aux Comm* screen is displayed. The screen provides an overview of the connected communication devices and the current port configuration.



- Connected Device Lists the connected device, if a standard AEM device is connected.
- Serial Define the serial data transmission parameters.
- *Mode* Indicates the communication protocol.
- *Ethernet* Displays whether Ethernet connectivity is Enabled or Disabled. Future Release.
- *Power State* Shows whether the power output is currently On or Off.

11.8.2 Aux Comm Setup

The Aux Comm Configuration allows users to customize auxiliary communication settings for the data logger.

Serial Tab

This <u>Serial</u> tab allows users to configure the serial communication mode and parameters for connected devices.



- 1. Select the *Enable* checkbox to activate serial communication.
- 2. Select *Mode* to specify the communication protocol:
 - o **RS-232** for standard serial data exchange

- *RS-485* for multi-device networks.
- 3. Adjust *Bit Rate* to set the data transfer speed.
- 4. Use *Byte Length* to specify the bits per character (7, 8, or 9).
- 5. Set *Parity* to select the error-checking method-Odd or Even parity.

Ethernet Tab – Future Release

The **<u>Ethernet</u>** tab enables or disables Ethernet communication for the auxiliary module.

((•)) Tel	(··) Telemetry > Aux Comm > Config					
Serial	Ethernet	Power				
Y Er	able					
A	∢ Bad	ok		Save		

1. Select the *Enable* checkbox to activate Ethernet communication, enabling data transmission over a network.

Power Tab – Future Release

The **<u>Power</u>** tab allows users to configure how power is supplied to the auxiliary communication module.

((•)) Tel	((·)) Telemetry > Aux Comm > Config					
Serial	Ethernet	Power				
Enable		Enable	e (On) O Disable (Off)			
Mode	•	Always	s On O Automatic			
Daily P Cycle E	ower Inable	y T	ime 00:00:00 🕑 D	uration 00:00:00 🕑		
♠	🖣 Ba	ck		Save		

- 1. Select *Enable* to turn power On or Off for the Aux Comm module.
- 2. Select Mode:
 - *Always On*: Keeps the module powered continuously.
 - *Automatic*: Allows the system to manage power based on usage and efficiency.
- 3. Press the **Save** button to save and apply the changes.

12 Service Menu

The **Service** menu consolidates maintenance and service functions. It offers tools to access logs, manage configurations, and generate service reports.

1. Press the **Service** menu on the Home screen. The Service screen is displayed.



12.1 Visit Report

Visit Report is used to capture system status during site service activities. The process includes both a start and end report, both of which can be useful for troubleshooting and maintenance activities.

Normal service operations store the report to a USB flash drive. Each of the following files is included in both Start and End Files:

- Visit reports, including site information, report ID, technician, and notes.
- Full system configuration
- Audit log
- G6 and any other telemetry logs

The *Start* and *End* copies help to capture the *as-found* and *as-left* system status.

Service reports are also preserved on the data logger.

<u>Important</u>: It is highly recommended to save a *Visit Report* for each site visit. The report captures the precise state of the Data Logger upon arrival and departure, documents any changes, and tracks configurations. This information is critical for troubleshooting and site service.

12.1.1 Report List

1. Press the **Visit Report** button on the Service screen. The Visit Report screen is displayed.

🄑 Service > Visit Report		00:00:00 (UTC)
Report 1	Report Summary	
Report 1	Please select a report	
Report 1		
🔒 🖣 Back	*	Start End Report Report

Action Bar Buttons

- Download E Downloads visit report from the data logger to a USB stick.
- □ **Start Report:** Starts visit report.
- □ **End Report:** Ends visit report.

The left panel displays a list of previous visit reports, each with the date and time it was generated. The right panel displays details of the selected visit report, such as the name of the person who generated it, the date and time, and any notes or data logged during the visit.

12.1.2 Report Download

Start and End Visit Reports are stored on the local data logger and can be downloaded to an inserted USB flash drive.

To download:

- 1. Insert a USB flash drive into the data logger.
- 2. Select the desired report from the left column.
- 3. Press the **Download** button.

12.1.3 Start Visit Report

The **Start Report** initiates a new visit report and captures the data logger's *as-found* state.

1. Press the **Start Report** button on the Visit Report screen. The Start Visit Report message is displayed.



2. Press the **No** button to decline and go back to the Visit Report screen. Or

Press the **Yes** button to start creating a visit report. The Enter Trip Number screen is diaplayed.

Enter T	rip Nu	mber:						N	ext
								Ва	ack
Q	W	E	R	Т	Υ	U	Ι	0	Ρ
	4	s [[> [F	3 F	+ [、	1 1	< I	-
	Z	X	С	V	В	Ν	М	?	×
12	3	e ca	PS					RETUR	N

- 3. Enter users *Trip Number*. The trip number automatically increments from the last visit; alternatively, users can manually enter a trip number using the keypad.
- Press the Back button to go back to the Visit Report screen. Or Press the Next button to continue. The Enter Technician Name screen is diaplayed.

Enter	tech	nicia	an n	ame	9:									Next
													E	Back
Q	V	N	E		R	•	Г	١	1	U		Ι	0	Ρ
	Α	5	5	C		F	6	G	ŀ	1	J	ŀ	< [L
		Z)	(С	_	V	E	3	N		Μ	?	×
1	23		•	CA	PS								RETU	RN

- 5. Enter users name in the *Enter technician name* field using the keypad.
- 6. Press the **Back** button to go back to the Visit Report screen.
 - Or

Press the **Next** button to continue. The Enter report screen is diaplayed.

Enter re	eport:								Ne	ext
									Ba	ick
Q	W	E		R	Т	Y	U	Ι	0	Ρ
4	1	S	D		F [(G	н [,	1 F	< []	-
•	Z		(С	V	В	N	Μ	?	×
123 CAPS RETUR					N					

- 7. Enter users observations in the *Enter Report* field.
- 8. Press the **Next** button to navigate to the screen.

Report S The configuration set	Started	ved.	
No	Yes		
			v.72.316

9. Press the **Home** button to go back to the Home screen.

12.1.4 End Visit Report

At the end of the site service, an End Visit Report will capture the *as-left* system state.

The End Visit Report prompts confirmation to finalize and save the visit report. When the report is completed, it is stored to the installed USB drive (if available) and the data logger's onboard non-volatile memory.

1. Press the **End Report** button on the Visit Report screen. The End Visit Report message is displayed.



- a. Press the **No** button to decline.
 - Or

Press the **Yes** button to save the report.

<u>Note</u>: If a Start Visit Report has been created, an End Visit Report is automatically created when the data logger has been idle for about 60 minutes. For more information, see Power Management under the General Theory of Operations section.

12.1.5 Visit Report Download

The Download Visit Report allows users to download the visit report to the flash drive.

1. Press the **Download** button on the Visit Report screen. The Visit Report screen is displayed.

🄑 Service > Vi	sit Report	00:00:00 (UTC)
Select one report to download		
🔒 🖣	ack	Next 🕨

- 2. Select the desired report from the list that users wish to download.
- 3. Press the **Next** button to confirm downloading. The *Downloading Data* message is displayed.



12.2 Audit Log

Audit log records messages from the underlying system and processes. These can be helpful for deep debugging activities.

The **Audit Log** screen displays the data logger's Audit Log which includes time-stamped events. Users can navigate through the log entries, clear the log, or save the Audit Log to a USB flash drive.

1. Press the **Audit Log** button on the Service screen. The Audit Log screen is displayed.

🔑 Service > Audit Log	1	00:00:00 (UTC)
2000/01/07 22:10:5	0 GPS Synchronization	i Timeout
2000/01/07 22:10:5	0 GPS Synchronization	Timeout
2000/01/07 22:10:5	0 GPS Synchronization	Timeout
2000/01/07 22:10:5	0 GPS Synchronization	Timeout
2000/01/07 22:10:5	0 GPS Synchronization	Timeout
2000/01/07 22:10:5	0 GPS Synchronization	Timeout
A Back		Save

- 2. Select the desired audit log to download.
- Press the Save button at the bottom right corner to write the data logger's Audit Log file to the USB flash drive. The Downloading Data message is displayed.

The Audit Log is automatically saved to the USB flash drive visit report created. on the flash drive.

12.3 Set Date/Time

Time is automatically synchronized to UTC using the primary GPS-GNSS source once per day. Local time is set manually as an offset to UTC.

Once set, the desired time zone is always shown in the upper right corner of the screen.

All entries in the datastore are time stamped using UTC.

Local operations, such as daily accumulated rain, annual rain reset, daily min-max, are reset according to local time.

This scheme allows users to work from many locations while maintaining precise time tracking and data integrity across operations.

12.3.1 Date and Time Configuration

The Set Date/Time allows users to configure the date, time, and time zone settings for the data logger.

1. Press the **Set Date/Time** button on the Service screen. The Set Date/Time screen is displayed.



- 2. Set the data logger's date, time, and time zone.
- Select the *Enable Daylight Savings* checkbox for time zone selection to be converted to Daylight Savings time. Or

Leave it unchecked to stay in standard time.

12.4 Passwords – Future Release

Users can enable password-protected access controls. There are two access privilege levels:

- User Level: A User Level password provides the operator read-only access to the data logger. The operator can monitor data logger status, such as data, sensor readings, and telemetry configuration, but cannot make any changes if a Tech Level password is set.
- **Tech Level**: The Tech Level password allows complete control over the data logger, there are no restrictions for Tech Level users. If no Tech Level password is specified, the User Level can use Tech Level parameters.

Change Password

1. Press the **Passwords** button on the Service screen. The Passwords screen is displayed.



- 2. Press the **Edit** button for each field to enter the password.
- 3. Press **Save** to apply the changes and enable access-control mode. A password will be required once the unit enters idle mode.

<u>*Note*</u>: For easy enabling-disabling of the password mode, leave the User password in place and enter or delete the Technician password.

12.4.1 Recover Lost Password

Every data logger has a master or super-user password which allows the Technician password to be reset. Contact AEM support for lost password assistance.

12.5 Rain Gauge Calibration

The Rain Gauge Calibration allows users to perform a calibration test on the rain gauge and manage accumulated rain settings.

1. Press the **Rain Gauge Calibration** button on the Service screen. The *Rain Gauge Calibration* screen is displayed.



- 2. *Calibration Counter* displays the number of recorded rain gauge tips during a calibration test, such as when using a rain gauge calibrator.
- 3. *Measurement* shows the measured value corresponding to the recorded tips.
- 4. Press the **Reset Calibration Counter** button to clear the tip count and measurement values to restart a calibration test.
- 5. *Current Accumulated Rain* displays the total recorded rainfall for the water year.
- 6. Set the *New Accumulated Rain* to adjust the total recorded rainfall. This only updates the current total, it does not change any past recorded rainfall data.
- 7. Press the Save New Accumulated button to save the updated accumulated rain value.

<u>Note</u>: Data logs from before this change will still show the original totals and will not include the new adjusted value.

12.6 Update

The Update screen allows users to update the data logger's software (firmware) using a USB flash drive.

- 1. Insert a USB flash drive with the new firmware file into the data logger USB port.
- 2. Press the **Update** button on the Service screen. The Update screen is displayed.

🄑 Service > Upd	late	(00:00:00 (UTC)
Select file			
f d Bac	sk		Use Selected File

3. Select a file from the list and press the Use Selected File button.

The update process will take approximately 5 minutes to complete.

Warning. The update process will reset the G6 transmitter. This will require the transmitter to resynchronize the GPS time, which may take as long as 20 minutes.

Fimware update on Axiom data loggers with G6 should be done at least 30 prior to the next GOES transmission.

12.7 Configuration Reset

The Configuration Reset restores the system's settings to their default or factory configuration. This process eliminates any custom settings, modifications, or configurations and restores the system to its original condition when it was first installed or deployed.

1. Press the **Configuration Reset** on the Service screen. The Configuration Reset screen is displayed.



- 2. Select the desired options that users wish to reset.
 - *Clear Measurement Data Logs*: Deletes all recorded measurements while keeping sensor settings, processes, telemetry, and log configurations. Recommended when relocating the data logger to a new site.
 - *Clear Log Intervals*: Removes log interval configurations but retains measurement data. Useful for clearing redundant or duplicate log definitions.
 - Clear Active Configurations: Deletes all sensor, telemetry, log, and process configurations, including data point names. Data remains but becomes inaccessible without names.
 - o Clear Visit Reports: Erases all stored visit reports, helpful when redeploying the logger.
 - Clear Saved Configurations: Deletes locally saved system configurations to prevent issues with outdated settings.
 - o *Clear Accumulated Rain Count*: Resets the rainfall counter to zero.
 - *Clear Audit Log*. Removes the audit log, which tracks system events. Useful before redeploying to avoid old event records.
- 3. Press the **Next** button to proceed. A Warning screen is displayed.



Press the Yes button to confirm reset.
 Or
 Press the No button to decline.

12.8 Tech Tools – Future Release

The Tech Tools function assists users with advanced maintenance and troubleshooting tasks on the data logger. It provides a centralized interface to access essential diagnostic tools and configurations. This option simplifies the tasks like verifying data logging, troubleshooting hardware or software issues, and adjusting configurations to improve the system's efficiency and reliability during field operations.

1. Press the **Tech Tools** button on the Service screen. The *Tech Tools* screen is displayed.



12.8.1 AuxCom Command Line – Future Release

The AuxCom Command Line is a diagnostic tool that provides users with direct access to the core functionalities of the F7 data logger. This tool may be used by experienced maintenance technicians for low-level service and diagnostic tasks.

To input the required command, press the **AuxCom Command Line** button and enter the desired instructions.

Refer to Axiom Technical Guide for more information regarding the Command Line Interface (CLI)

12.8.2 Show Screen IDs – Future Release

The *Show Screen IDs* checkbox assists with troubleshooting system issues or user interface errors. When the checkbox is selected, the corresponding screen IDs will be displayed at the top of each screen, as highlighted.

Providing a screen reference to AEM support will help identify any errors or questions.



12.9 Logout – Future Release

When passwords are enabled, Axiom will automatically close the session after one hour.

Pressing **Logout** will manually terminate the session and return the user to the home screen. A password will be required to regain read or write access.

If password access control is not enabled, the Logout button will return the user to the home screen but will not block access.

<u>Note</u>: If a Start Visit Report has been created, Logout will automatically create an End Visit Report. If installed, the report will also be saved to the USB flash drive.

Refer to the **Passwords** section for more information on user access control.

13 Service and Support

13.1 Warranty

13.1.1 Product Warranty

AEM provides a 24-month warranty on all products, guaranteeing:

- Compliance with AEM specifications at the time of purchase
- Freedom from material and workmanship defects

Warranty Terms

- Customers must notify AEM of any warranty claim within 24 months of purchase and ship the product to an AEM service center at their own expense.
- AEM will repair or replace the product free of charge for valid claims. Repaired or replaced items will retain the original warranty period.
- Repairs may include new or reconditioned parts. Replaced parts become the property of AEM.

Exclusions

The warranty does not cover:

- Normal wear and tear.
- Damage caused by extreme environments, fire, water, or improper installation.
- Alterations or repairs by unauthorized personnel.
- Failures due to misuse, neglect, or acts of God.

Limitations

The warranty is non-transferable and applies only to the original purchaser. AEM does not warrant results obtained from the product's use or design implementation.

13.1.2 Service Warranty

AEM warrants service work, repairs, and replacement parts for 6 months after the service date.

Terms

- Customers must return the equipment to AEM for repairs or evaluation.
- AEM will repair or replace defective parts free of charge for valid claims.
- Non-valid claims are subject to standard evaluation fees. Repairs can be carried out at the customer's expense.

Exclusions

The warranty applies only to replaced parts and associated repairs, not to other components.

14 Revision History

Revision	Date	Description
1.0	June 2025	Original release – Engineering Control