

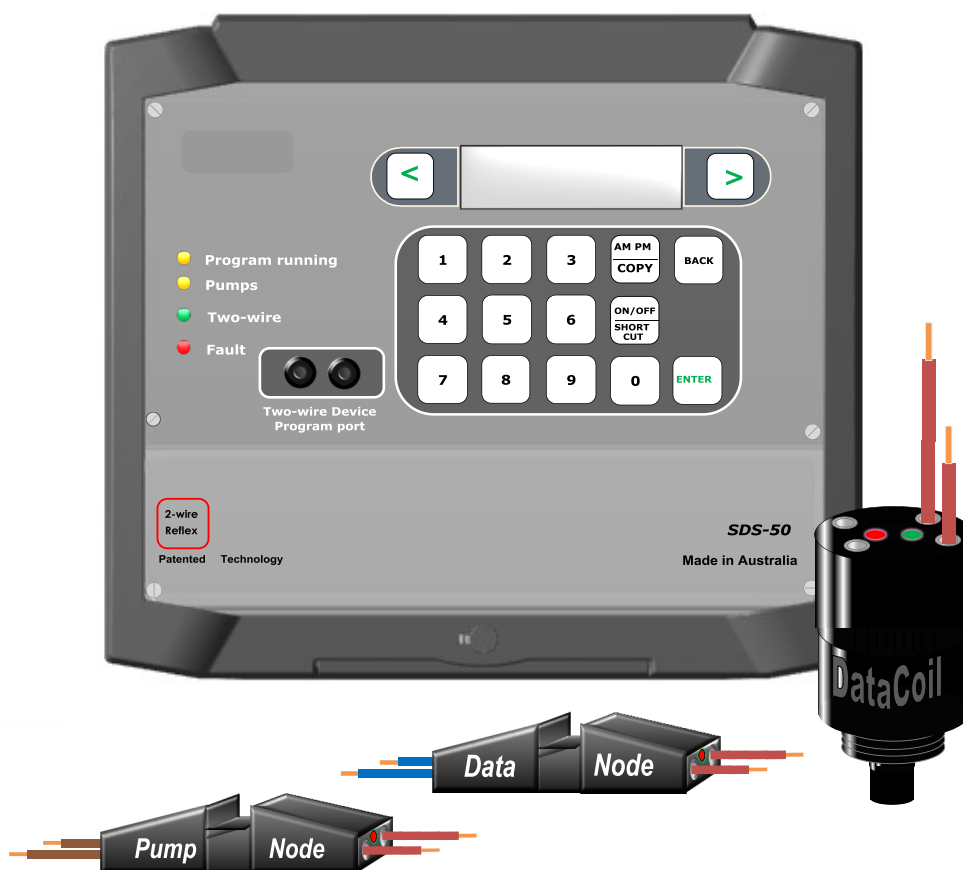


SDS-50

Operator Manual

Two-wire and direct relay

Irrigation Controller



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Thank you for purchasing the SDS-50 Two-wire irrigation controller.

The controller is designed for the most simplistic of programs up to complex requirements for both landscape and agriculture. The design makes servicing possible for the owner operator with easily accessible replacement plug-in electronic modules.

The SDS-50 controller has a capacity to operate 48 solenoid valves from a central location via a twisted pair cable. 12 programmable DataNodes™ facilitate the connection of sensors along the two-wire cable with an additional 6 controller direct inputs on the controller terminal. Up to two 24 direct relay output module can be connected at any location on the two-wire cable for conventional 24VAC solenoid operation.

With the SDS-50 controller there is no need for valve decoders. Simply connect the cable direct to the SD Systems DataCoil™. The SD-Systems, Bermad DataValves™ are supplied with DataCoils™ fitted. DataValves™ are available in sizes 25mm through to 150mm.

Data radio, GSM, 3G, Bluetooth and internet communication options are supported to enable remote programming and monitoring from any location. Central PC software and an advanced Android App are available at no charge.

This economically priced model is not compromised on quality and offers a capability not normally found on competing products many times its price.



Made in Australia



The SDS-50 controller is designed to operate on low voltage 36VDC. Use only the power supply included with the controller.

The power supply must be installed to comply with local electrical codes.



Prior to digging or trenching check with your local utilities for any underground services.



Wear protective and insulated footwear when working with electrical equipment.

Controller is packaged complete with the following items:

- 1 only SDS-50 irrigation two-wire controller
- 1 only 36VDC switching power supply
- 1 only pump start node (addressed as no. 49)
- 1 only SD-SP surge arrestor (some versions only)
- 1 set of plug-in alligator leads for TW-device programming
- 1 only instruction book
- 1 only PC programming software (some models only)
- 1 only mounting template

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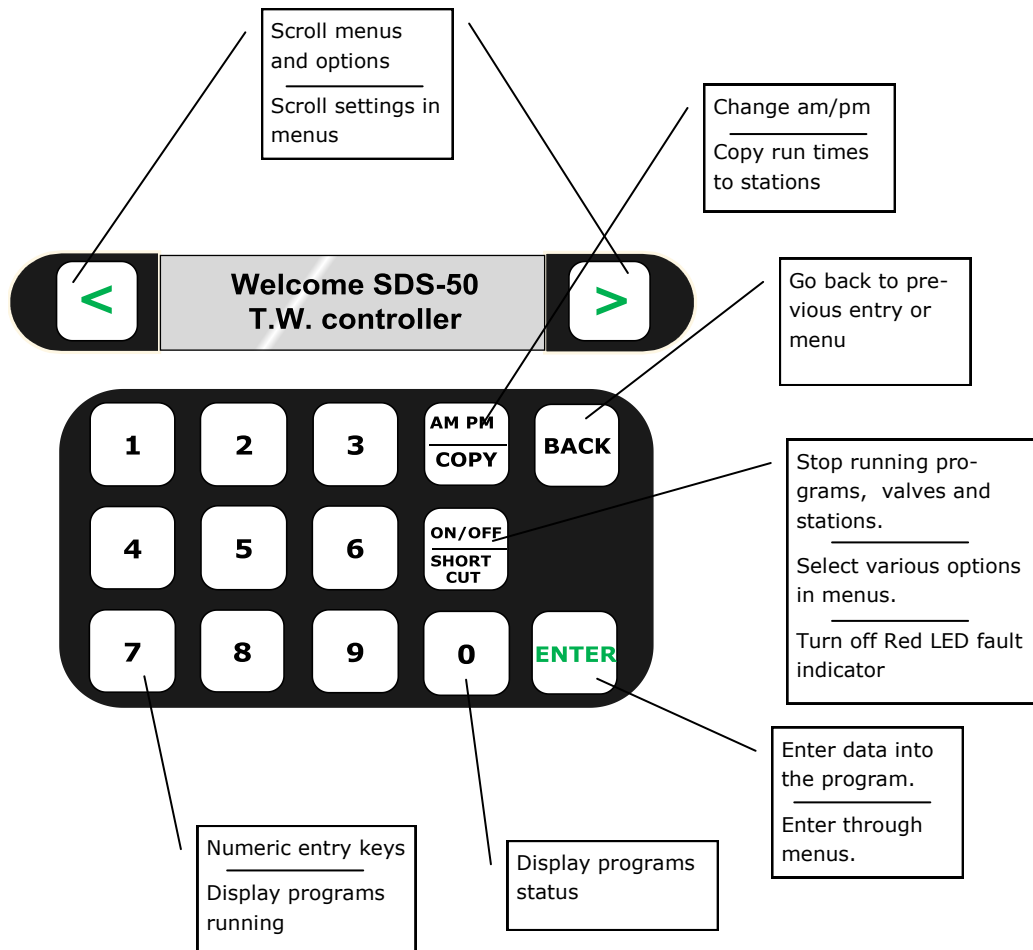
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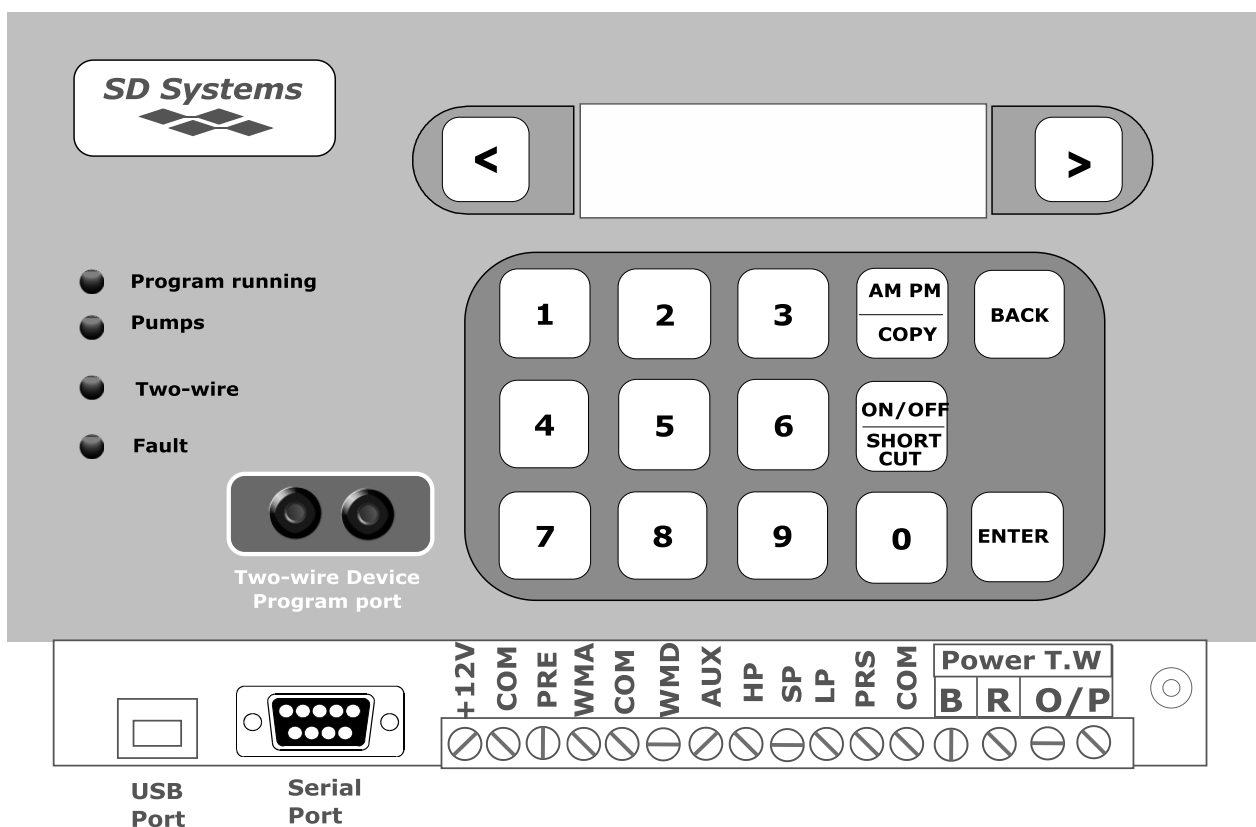
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Controller keypad



- 48 Stations. 48 DataValve™ capacity, and/or direct relay output modules (24)
 - **DataValves™ are available in two models, (S) Standard and (E) Extend.**
 - **(S) will operate four valves at once inclusive of a master valve.**
 - **(E) will operate 6 valves at once inclusive of a master valve.**
- 8 Independent programs.
- 12 Programmable field DataNodes™ connect directly to the two-wire cable.
 - **Moisture sensors (up to 8)**
 - **Water meters (up to 8)**
 - **Pause program**
 - **Stop program**
 - **Rain off**
 - **KWH meter (1 only)**
 - **Frost sensors (2 only)**
- 7 Direct controller sensor inputs connect to the controller terminal strip.
 - **Analog pressure sensor—High, intermediate and low, set points and delays are programmable at controller.**
 - **Analog pressure bore level sensor** (not available this version)
 - **Digital water meter**
 - **Low pressure**
 - **Intermediate pressure** (skips to next station in program sequence)
 - **High pressure**
 - **Program start**
- Programs watering in time, volume (litres) and precipitation (mm).
- Exclusive HydroSector™ for matched precipitation zones.
- Loop program for propagation.
- Run times in hr : min : secs.
- DataValves™ can be assigned to any station.
- DataNodes™ can be assigned to any program.
- PumpNodes connect anywhere on the two-wire cable to pump-start relays.
- Auxiliary pump for chemical/fertigation program.
- Individual pumps can be assigned for each program.
- 2 independent Frost programs
- PC software download from website.
- Communication.
 - **Bluetooth module** (optional)
 - **USB** (optional)
 - **9 pin serial port** (Data radio and GSM, 3G)
 - **Plug-in SD-Systems RF module port**
- PC software - single controller and central control (up to 250 maximum)



+12V	+12V (250mA)
COM	Common
PRE	Pressure sensor, 4...20mA 0-1000Kpa
WMA	Bore level not available this version
COM	Common
WMD	Water meter, digital 2 Hz max
AUX	Auxiliary pump, digital 2 Hz max
HP	High pressure. (N/O contacts)
SP	Skip pressure, (N/O contacts)
LP	Low pressure, (N/O contacts)
PRS	Program start, (N/O contacts)
COM	Common
B	Black wire, VDC power supply
R	Red wire, VDC power supply
O	Two wire output
P	Two wire output



DataCoils™ are an intelligent solenoid coil eliminating the need for separate valve decoders. DataCoils™ report their status back to the controller.

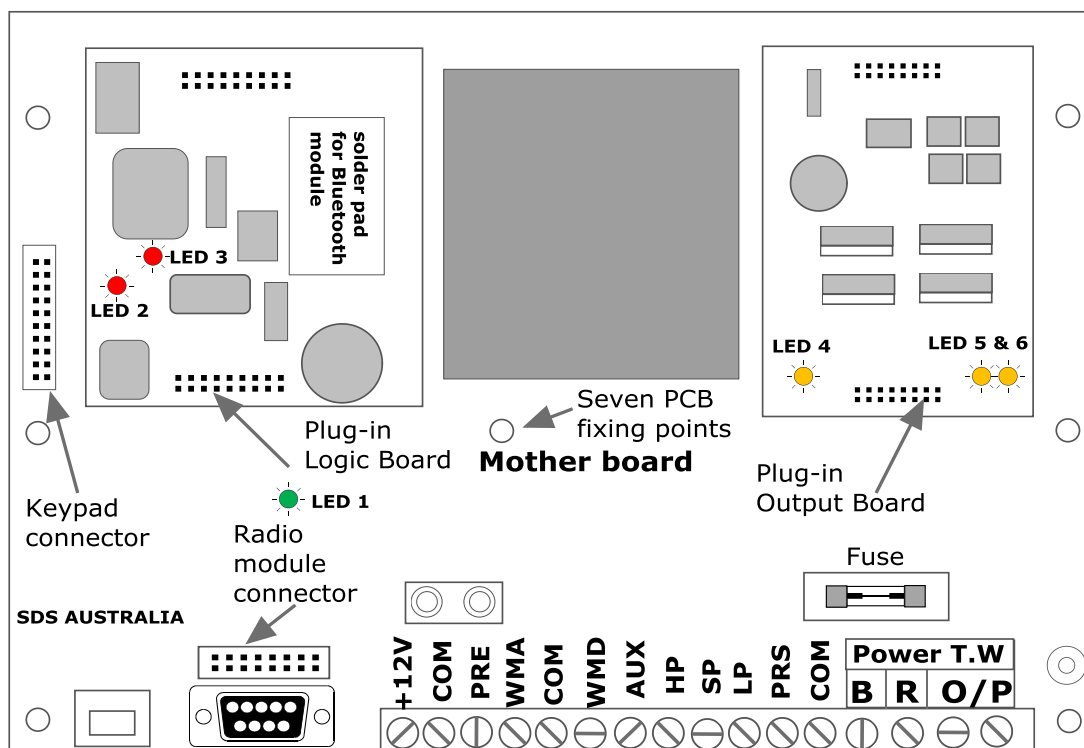


DataNodes™ Three types are used.

- Digital counter input: (water meters)
- N/O contact: (frost, pause, stop program, rain)
- Moisture: (this is calibrated to the sensors analog output and comes complete with sensor)



PumpNodes output to pump start relays.
24VAC, 60mA



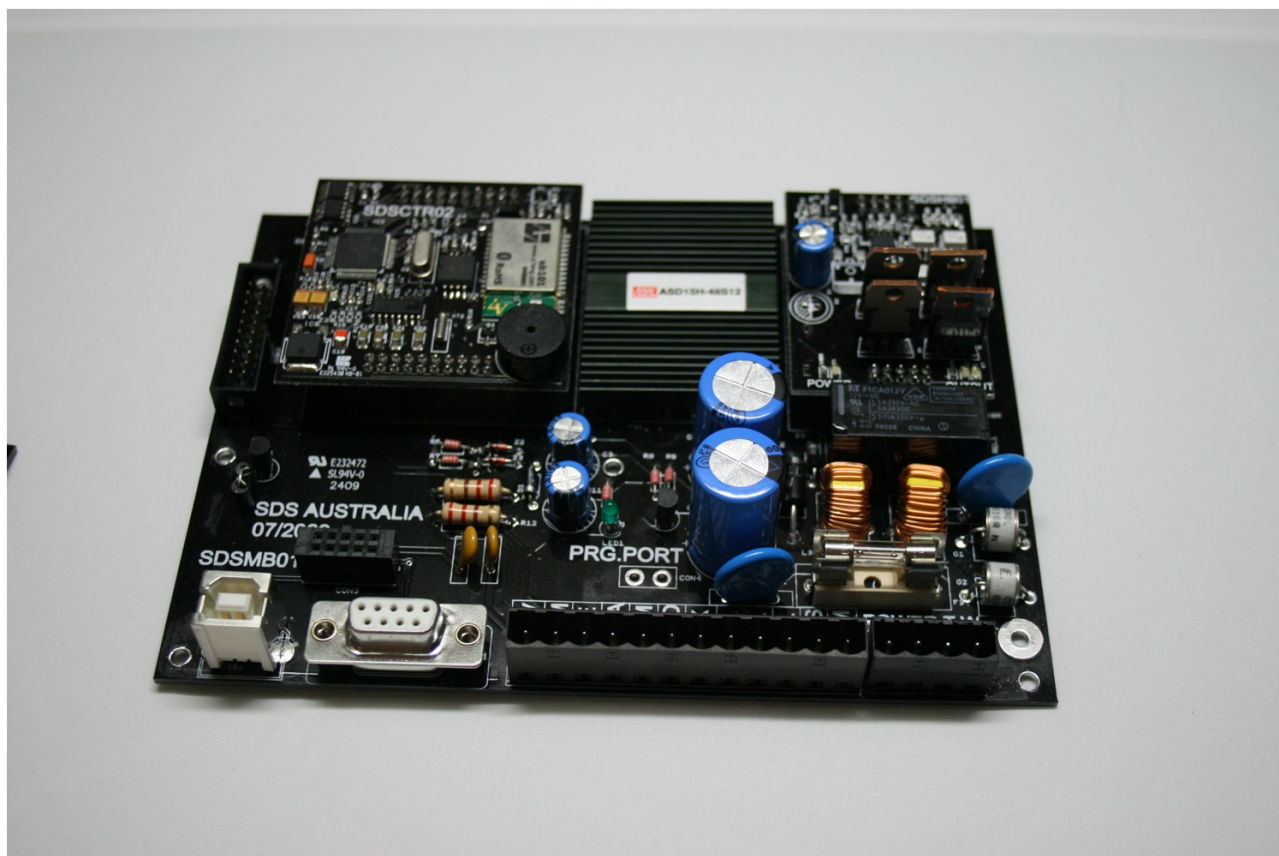
Led 1 = power OK at mother board

Led 2 = power OK at micro controller board

Led 3 flashes = micro controller is OK

Led 4 = power OK at output board

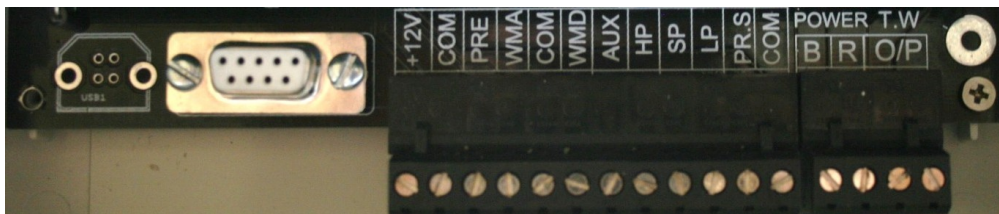
Led 5 and 6 = Two-wire power output on





View of controller with front clear lid open in first detent position. The front lid can be opened at 90 and 180 degrees to the front panel.

Terminal strip compartment easily accessible by two screws



Pluggable terminal strip for ease of service and installation.



Modern design, quality European manufactured enclosure.

Clear front panel for ease of viewing.

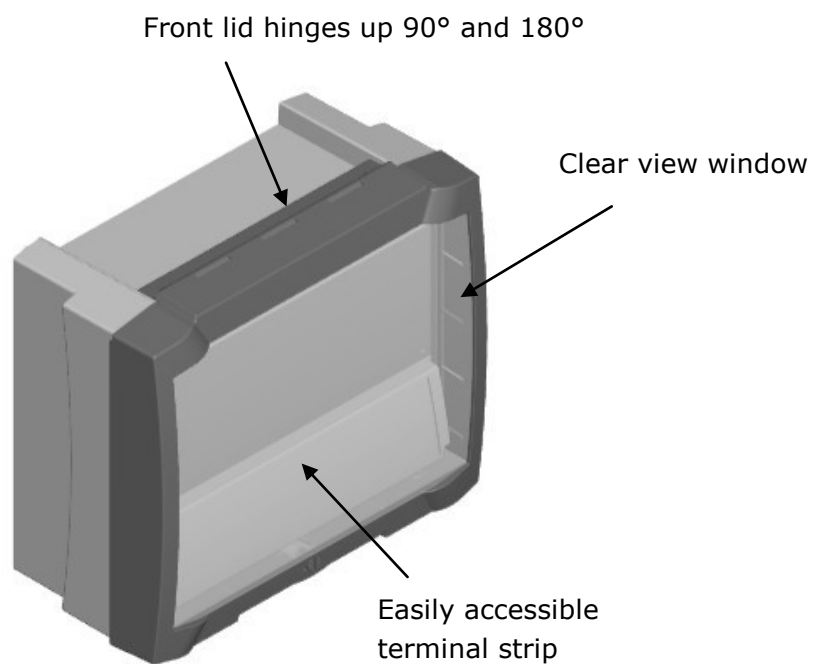
Heavy construction for durability

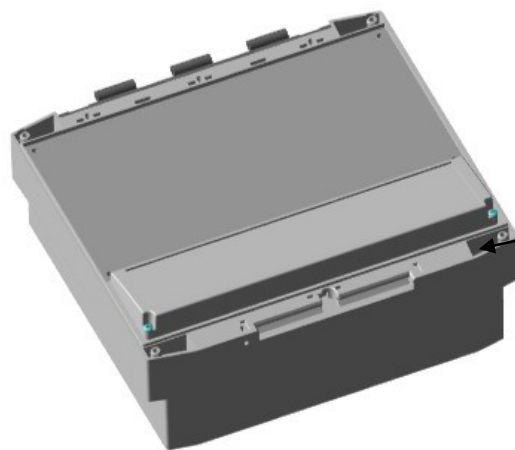
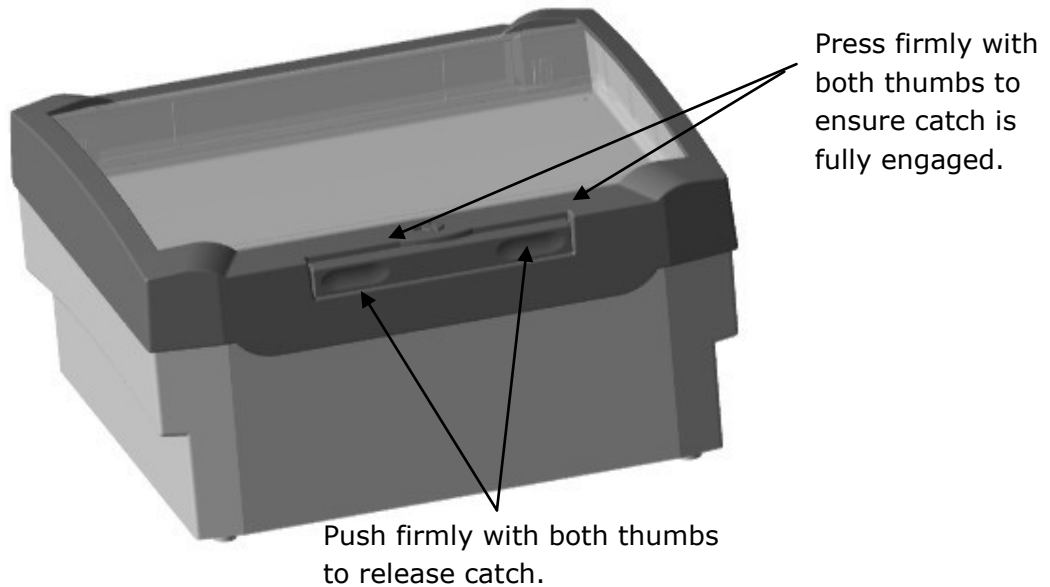
Secure bottom latch



Dimensions:

179H x 199W x 106.5D



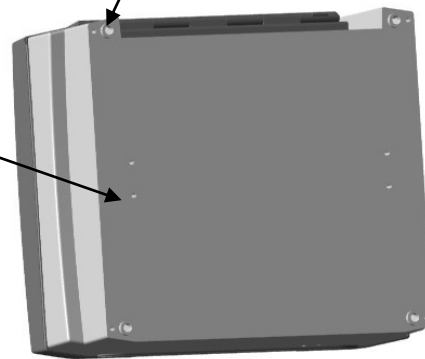


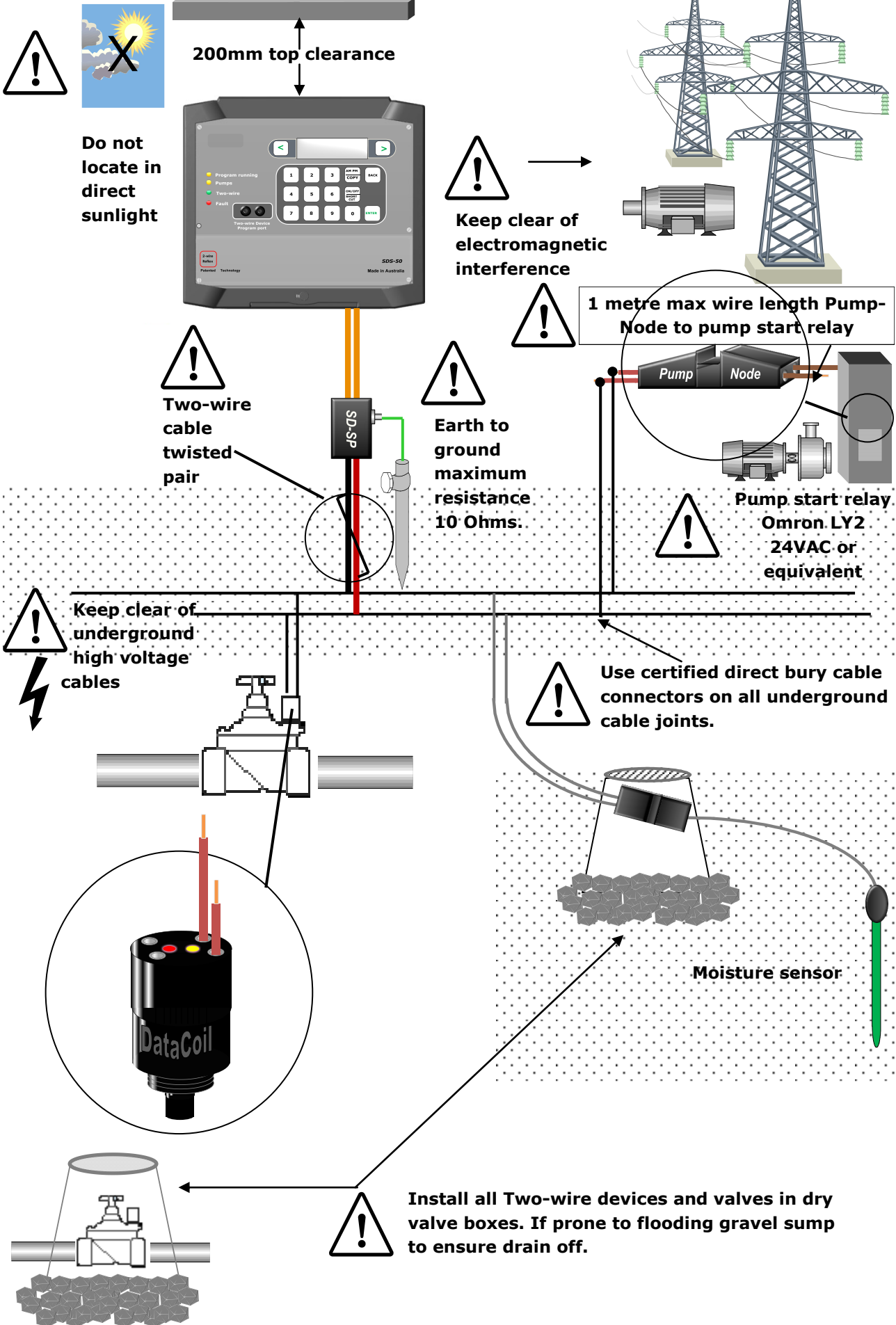
View of box with lid removed.

If directly fixing to wall etc
Mounting holes are accessed each corner of box with lid fully opened.

Box can be mounted on DIN rail via mounting holes here.

Din rail brackets supplied separately





SD-1-DR and SD-2-DR Relay module (RelayCube)

The SD-1-DR relay module can be connected anywhere along the two-wire cable network. A separate 24 volt AC power supply is required to provide power to standard 24VAC solenoid coils.

Relay module SD-1-DR has a capacity of 1-24 outputs. Model SD-2-DR has 25-48 outputs

A resettable circuit breaker is fitted for field short circuit protection.

Lightning protection

Do not connect Two-wire cable directly to the controller. Install the SD-SP device to the controller terminals [O/P] connect to ground stake 10 Ohms or less resistance to earth.

Locate as close as possible to ground earth stake.

To field Two-Wire devices

Twisted Pair cable

Module clips to standard 35mm DIN rail

Two-wire common

24VAC

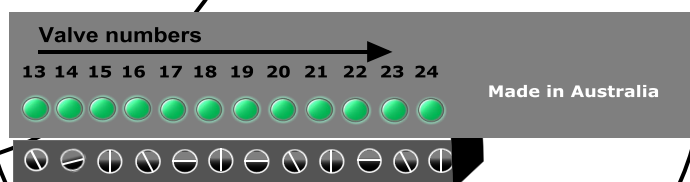
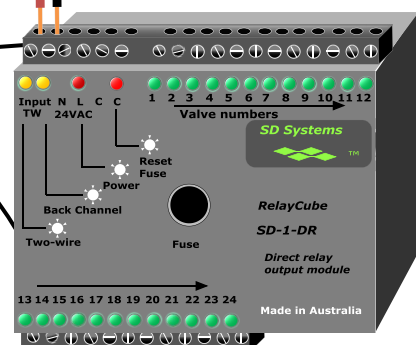
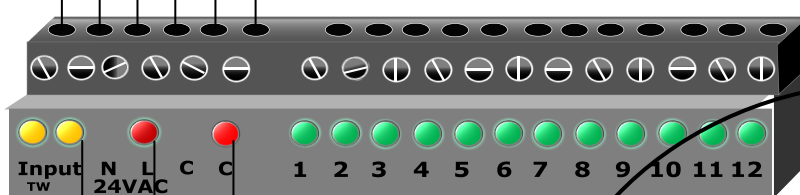
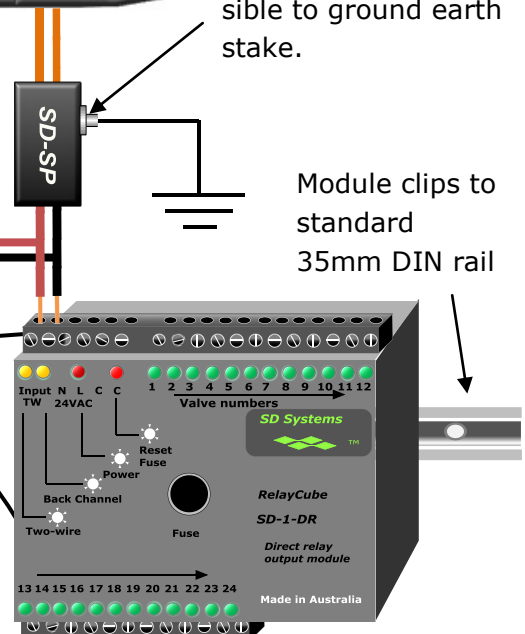
stations

Two-wire active

Power on

Reset Fuse

Any unused outputs can be addressed to DataValves™. For example if only ten direct outputs are used, the field two-wire DataValve capacity would be 38.



Operational and Environmental Requirements

- Ambient operating Temperature 0 to +45 degrees centigrade.
- Main supply voltage for controller power supply 100—240 VAC 50/60Hz
- Ensure adequate air ventilation to assist cooling if installed in cubicle.
- Power supply must be installed by a qualified electrical technician.
- Use only the power supply supplied with the controller or a recommended SD Systems alternative.
- Position the controller **away from direct sunlight** and water spray.
- Avoid close proximity to possible electromagnetic interference and particularly close proximity to VSD devices unless they meet all the manufactures installation requirements. SD Systems recommend a distance of **5 meters from possible sources of electromagnetic interference.**

Mounting controller

- Locate at an easy viewable eye level with a minimum **top clearance of 200mm** for lid to be fully opened.
- Allow sufficient space at the bottom of the controller for conduits and cable.
- Some installations may require a separate terminal strip mounted in close proximity to the controller if large gauge two-wire cable is used.
- Mount the controller using **all four** mounting points on a flat level surface.

Wiring connections to controller

- Install the controller's VDC power supply in close proximity to the controller.
- The controller is supplied with quick disconnect terminal strips. It may be convenient to unplug the terminal strips to terminate the wiring, they can then be plugged back into their headers on the PCB motherboard.
- Connect the 36VDC RED / BLACK power leads to the R and B terminals on the controller.
- Sensor cables should be not greater than .2mm² (**AWG24**) when directly wiring into the controller terminal strip. The Two-wire terminals [O/P] are connected to the SD-SP filter/protection device. See next section **Lightning Protection**
- Connect the PumpNode™ RED wires to the two-wire cable, BROWN wires to the pump start relay. Ensure the pump start relay is a low current rated device at **maximum 24VAC 65mA** (Omron LY2 24VAC series). Maximum wire length from PumpNode™ to relay is 1 metre.
- When installing a direct relay module SD-1-DR (relay cube) it will require a separate 24VAC power supply. Please ensure this is rated a minimum of 1 amp.
- The RelayCube™ can be mounted anywhere that is convenient along the two-wire cable provided a 24VAC power source is available. **Do not earth** the 24 VAC at the RelayCube™. See page 17.

Lightning protection

- For lightning protection to be effective the energy of the strike needs to be instantly gated to earth.
- Connect the ORANGE wires from the SD-SP surge arrester to the O/P terminals at the controller.
- For best results flat braided cable is used to connect to an earth stake of at least 2 metre length with a resistance to earth of 10 Ohms or less. Locate the SD-SP as **close as possible** to the earthing stake.
- For additional protection and easier fault finding of lightning damaged systems, install SD-SL arrestors every 300 meters or every 16 valves.



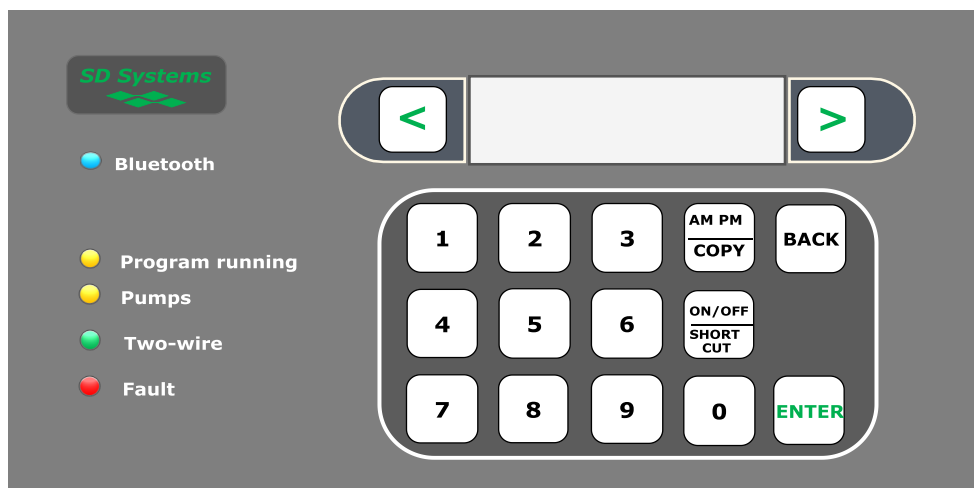
To reduce the damaging effects of lightning follow these three rules:

1. Ensure that no bare cable conductors are in contact with the soil.
2. Use only approved direct bury cable connectors and be careful not to nick the inner cable insulation and thus exposing bare copper conductors.
3. Do not direct bury. Make sure that the DataNodes™ and DataValves™ are installed in well drained valve boxes and are not subject to flooding or prolonged emersion in water.

Two-wire cable requirements

- **Twisted pair cable** with tinned copper conductors certified for direct burial is recommended for optimum performance.
- SD Systems recommends all Two-wire cable joints should be soldered in a professional manner for maximum reliability. If not soldered they must be **tightly** twisted together for a minimum distance of 30mm then clinched over. **It is the installers responsibility to provide low resistance water tight cable joints.**
- Waterproof connectors must be certified for below ground use. Direct bury connectors are **not suitable** for permanent submersion in water unless specifically rated. Long periods of full emersion will cause connector failure.
- Great care should be taken to ensure the cable insulation is not compromised, i.e. nicks in the inner cable insulation etc. **It is the installers responsibility to ensure there is no electrical leakage to earth in the cable network.**
- Ensure the Two-wire cable is well distanced from high voltage cables. If the cable crosses a high voltage line it must be at right angles with a minimum clearance of 600mm.
- Never install the Two-wire cable in the same conduit or strapped to any electrical high voltage cable.

NOTE. Australian Standards for Lightning protection to be effective is 10 Ohms or less resistance to earth.



The key pad is a soft touch design with a audible beep to confirm contact. If a key is held down it will fast repeat. This is most helpful in the **Scroll** and **Back** keys.

The menu system is designed to make programming simple and intuitive. The controller is capable of basic programs or complex programs by entering further into the menus.

When the controller is not in use the display backlight and power to the two-wire cable shuts down after 3 minutes. When pressing a key the backlight and power to the two-wire cable will activate.

Use the **Back** key at any time to return to previous entry or keep pressing to return to the current **Time and Date** display

The **Setting basic program** at the beginning of the guide uses default factory settings for master valve/pump, program mode and time/volume option.

The controller **programs status** can be viewed at anytime by pressing the "0" key:

A= Programmed
P= Program in Pause

F= Frost program enabled
f= frost program disabled
R= Program in Rain off

Controller default settings are:

No station run times

All days on

Water meter 1 assigned to all programs

No loop cycle

Master valve/pump address 49, Auxiliary pump address 50.

No start times

Time mode (not volumetric)

% set at 100%

No station delay

Manual stn 01–48

No manual stn time

No manual stn pump selected

System address 000

Valves assigned to corresponding stn numbers.

All DataNodes™ nil input and un-assigned

Analog pressure sensor, no settings

Pressure sensor at controller Digital inputs

Pressure sensor delay, LP 02min SP 03sec HP02sec

Moisture pre-set at 20

Pause sensor– no programs

Rain off sensor—no programs

Program start sensor– program 8.

Water meter pulse– 1 pulse = 1 litre

Precipitation all HydroSectors™ - 12mm

No HydroSectors™ selected

Frost watch disabled

The SDS-50 controller has a two-wire output that supplies electrical power and a communication protocol to operate up to 48 DataValves™ and up to 12 DataNodes™. In addition it is supplied with a pump start PumpNode™ that is connected to the two-wire. The default address for this device is set at 49. The controller can operate an auxiliary pump which is typically used for chemical or fertiliser dosing. The default address for this is 50. If more pumps are in use they should be programmed at a lower number.

Two-Wire Devices (TW Devices)

DataNodes™ have 12 addresses and are numbered as such (1-12) in the TW-Devices menu.

Three variations of DataNodes™ are used. Their inputs are: N/O contact (**SW**), Counter (**CN**) and Moisture (**MO**)

DataNodes™ can have the following functions assigned to them at the controller:

Moisture *	(MO)	* The analog output of the moisture sensors are calibrated. The set-points can be programmed at the controller.
Pause	(SW)	
Rain on/off	(SW)	
Stop program	(SW)	
Water Meter	(CN)	
KWH meter	(CN)	
Frost	(SW)	

After the functions have been assigned they are connected to the programming port.

The menu prompts for the TW-device number. After it is selected and entered the settings are downloaded to it. **Caution:** Once disconnected from the port the setting is permanent.

Moisture sensors are programmed in the same manner.

Pause sensors, N/O contact input. When activated (closed contact) the program/s the sensor is assigned to will suspend irrigation until the sensor de-activates, then resume again.

Rain on/off, N/O contact input, stops irrigation until next start time.

Stop program sensor, N/O contact will stop active program/s that have been activated by the **Start Program** sensor input at the controller.

Water meters are assigned to programs, pulse resolutions supported are 1 X 1L, 1 X 10L, 1 X 100L and 1 X 1000L.

KWH resolution is 1 x 1KWH

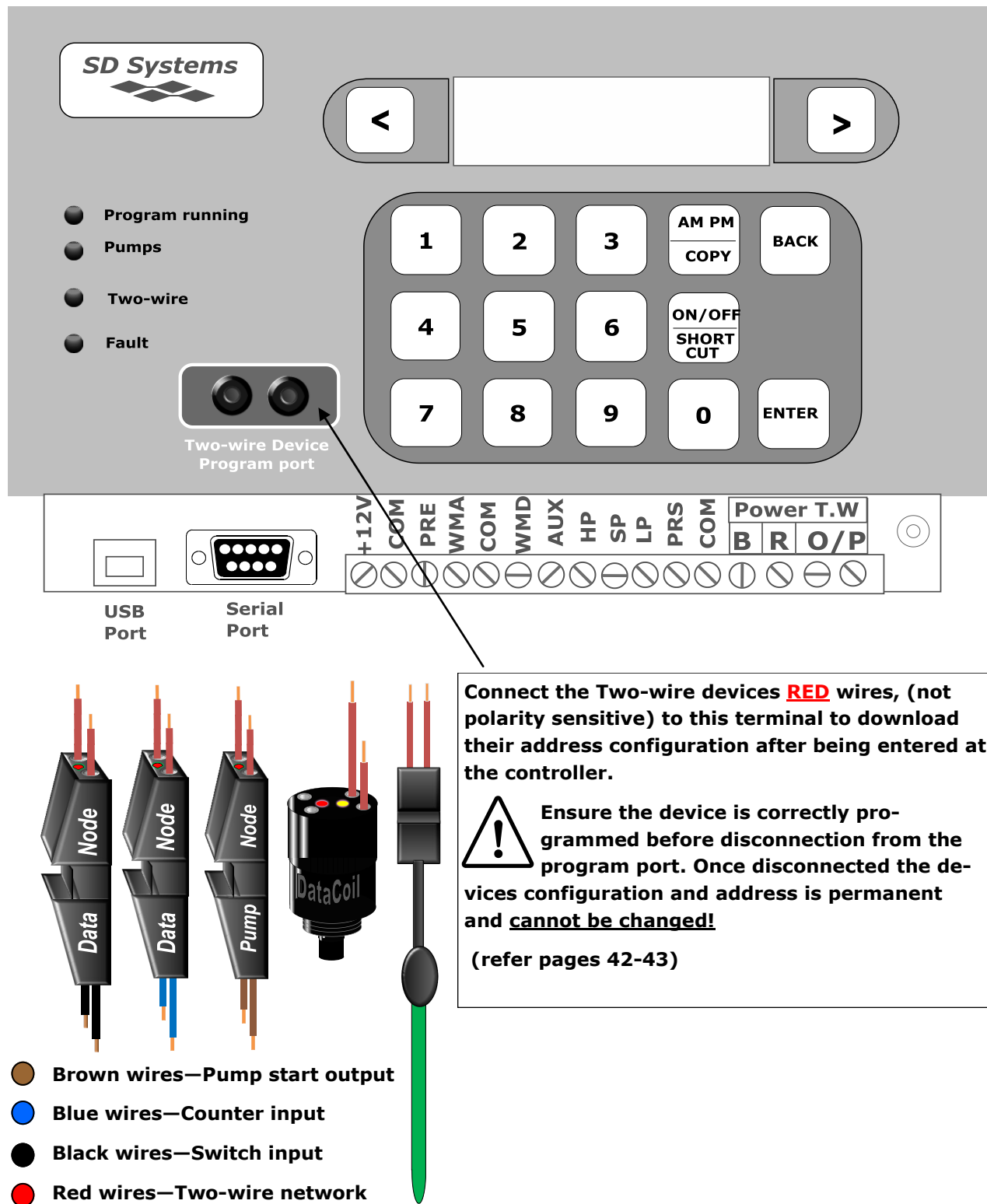
Frost Sensor (1) & (2) two programs are available for frost. Sensor (1) will activate program 7 and sensor (2) will activate program 8.

DataValves™ are programmed by entering its number (address) at the controller. After the address is selected it is then connected to the programming port and downloaded.

PumpNodes have a **24VAC 65mA output**, they activate pump-start relays and are optimised for **Omron LY 24VAC** series relays. The address number at each of the 8 programs is set at default 49 for Master pump and 50 for Auxiliary pump. In the program menu an option is displayed for the pump address which can be selected to a different number and therefore have different pumps per program. After a number (address) is selected the TW-Device (PumpNode) is then connected to the programming port to download its setting.






Controller Two-wire devices programming port

All Two-wire devices configuration are programmed from this port.





Quick start programming

To implement a **basic time based program** running one pump or master valve (with the correct current time and date already set in the controller). follow the easy step by step guide below.




From the current **Time and Date** display scroll  **Program**  **Press Enter**    Select program number



 **< P# Mode >**  **P# Master Pump** 
Normal Default

P# Water days **SMTWTFS SMTWTFS** Use < > keys to select days   **< P1 Start Time 1 >** **NONE**

 **< P# Start time# >** **00 : 00 : 00 Am** Enter time with numeric keys Hr:min:sec, select am or pm  Use < > keys for additional starts

 **<P# Option Time >**  **<P# WaterStn 01**
00 : 00 : 00 100%

Enter run times with numeric keys Hr:min:sec Use < > keys to advance more stns  Or copy run times to next stns  

P# station Delay **00:00 Ms**  **P# Total Water** **00:00:00**  **Program Overlap** **NONE**

To return to the **Time and Date** display hold the **Back** key down



A basic program is now entered to run on a time basis. The pump/master valve number is 49 (default). No delays between stations have been set. No auxiliary/chemical injection program has been set to run. The program was not optioned for looping so it will start at the programmed times and finish at the end of the last station run time in a program. All default settings have been used. **To Enable a password for security, go to page 36.**




Viewing Programs status

To check programs status press "0" at the current Time and Date display. You will see "A" displayed beneath the program you have just completed. See page 20.

Manually start and stop program

From the current **Time and Date** display scroll  **Manual/Test**  **Press Enter**   **Manual Start Prg**  **Press Enter** 

 **Program Type** **< Normal Program >**  **Enter Program No?** **1** Select program number

Program %[0-250] **100**  To stop program  Select program number 

Con't. **Quick start programming**

Manually Start/stop Stations

Manual/Test
< Press Enter > ENTER Manual Start Prg
< Press Enter > >

Manual Start Stn
< Press Enter > ENTER Set From / End Stn
From ## End ## Select station numbers
from keypad

ENTER Set Station Time
00 : 00 Ms Use numeric keys to
select min : sec ENTER < Master Pump >
start delay 00 : 00

Use < > keys to select **and** Use numeric keys in min : sec if a delay
different pump option **or** is wanted before the manual start begins



To manually advance to another station
use the numeric keys for the stn number



**To stop manual
stations**



Manually Run valves

Valves will operate without starting pumps or master valves. A useful function for testing.

From the current **Time**
and Date display scroll



Use < > keys to scroll to
the "Run Valves" display

ENTER Select Valves
#00 #00 #00 #00 Use numeric keys and
< > to next valve ENTER Set Run Time
00 : 10 : 00

Use numeric keys to set hr:min:sec
and press enter to start

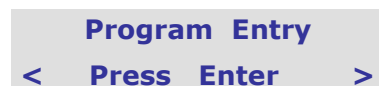


To stop valves
running



Raining off programs.

From the current **Time**
and Date display scroll



> Rain-Off Program
< Press Enter > ENTER Rain-off program
1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 Use < > keys to
select programs

ON/OFF
SHORT CUT ENTER To de-select Rain-Off repeat above
use < > keys to select program








Pausing programs.



Same as Rain off but scroll only to the "Pause Program" display, see above.






Time and Date.






On first powering up, the time will need to be set to your current time and date. The controller will display this

Current day Date
Current time


 Use scroll < > keys and enter the current time with numeric keys. Note it is in hr:min:sec
 




 Use scroll < > keys and enter date with numeric keys
 









 To select 12hr or 24hr
 




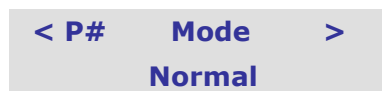

Note. The SDS-50 controller is factory default set for the **DataCoils™** to be assigned in a matching numeric sequence, i.e. [Station (1)-valve (1)], [station (2)-valve (2)] etc. If you wish to change this proceed to section **Two-wire Devices—Wire Valves.** Page 41

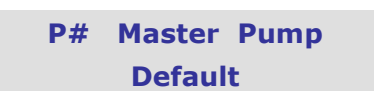



Default for the master pump is number 49. This PumpNode is supplied pre-programmed with the controller. Additional PumpNodes can be programmed and assigned to programs for additional pumps. The programs are designed for a maximum of 1 pump per program.




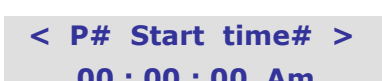
If a master valve is used program the DataCoil™ at the controller TW programming port to the address number selected. (49 is default) See page 42



Setting up a basic program — days on/off, start times, station run times.

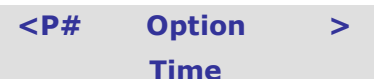
From the current **Time and Date** display scroll    


 Use numeric keys to select program number
 






 Use < > keys to select days
 

When selection complete 




Enter start time with numeric keys. Hr:min:sec, select am/pm
 
 Use < > keys to advance to start 2-4
 


 Use < > keys if selecting volumetric option, see page 28

Cont'd. **Setting up a basic program — days on/off, start times, station run times.**

<P# WaterStn 01
00 : 00 : 00 100% Enter time with numeric keys Hr:min:sec Continue with run time entries **or**

To copy run times to next stns **P# Station Delay**
00 : 00 Ms Enter time with numeric keys min:sec

P# Total water
00 : 00 : 00 **Program Overlap**
NONE Return to **Date Time** display

A basic program has now been entered using default factory option settings i.e. Time based station watering, no loop program, no auxiliary program and no station delays. The Master valve/pump start is at no. 49.

Note

Station Delay: the time before the next valve is switched on after the current valve is switched off with the pump still running. This is useful for slow closing valves due to flow or hydraulic problems.

Loop program.

A loop program is used when multiple start times are required for a program with delays between the start times over a set period of time. The loop has a start time and end time. During these times a delay is programmed (loop delay) this is the time delay before watering starts again from the first watering station and the cycle repeats until loop end time.

Program Entry
< Press Enter > Enter program number with numeric keys **< P# Mode >**
Normal

<P# Mode >
Loop **P# Master Pump**
Default

P# Water days
SMTWTFS SMTWTFS Use < > keys to select **P# Loop Start Time**
None

P# Loop Start Time
00 : 00 : 00 Am Enter start with numeric keys hr:min:sec **P# Loop End Time**
00 : 00 : 00 Am

Enter time with numeric keys hr:min:sec **P# loop Delay**
None

P# loop Delay
00 : 00 : 00 Enter delay with numeric keys hr:min:sec **<P# Option >**
Time

<P# WaterStn 01
00 : 00 : 00 100% Enter water time with numeric keys hr:min:sec Repeat for next stations

P# Station Delay
00 : 00 Ms Enter delay time with numeric keys min:sec

Frost Program description

The controller uses program 7 and 8 for frost control. In the TW-Devices menu two frost sensor options, numbers (1) and (2), are available to assign to DataNodes. Sensor(1) will activate program 7 and Sensor(2) will activate program 8. When the sensors are activated all current irrigation activity will be stopped and a loop cycle will commence on either or both programs until the sensor de-activates.

When the **Frost Watch** program is enabled the two-wire cable will switch on every 8 minutes for a brief period to check the frost sensor status. The **Frost Watch** start and finish times are selectable. Depending on the frost risk, the **Frost Watch** program can be suspended and re-commenced at any time at the controller keypad or remotely at the computer software if connected.

Frost sensors (1) & (2) assign to DataNode™

From the current **Time and Date** display scroll



T.W. DEVICES
Press Enter



Scroll to the **TW Data Nodes**



T.W Data Nodes
Press Enter



Enter DN No.
00 (DN NO. 1–12)

Use numeric keys to enter number

< Select Input Nil >

Scroll to Frost sensor (1) or (2)



We will assume **(1)** was selected
program 7 is now a frost program

Note. See page 42,43 for configuring & downloading settings to DataNodes™

Frost program

From the current **Time and Date** display scroll



Program Entry
Press Enter



Select 7 and **Enter**



P# Master Pump Default



< F7 Option Time >

If volumetric, select



<P# WaterStn 01 00 : 00 : 00 100%

Use numeric keys to enter run time hr:min;sec



P# Station Delay 00 : 00 Ms

If required use numeric keys to enter delay between stations



Note. The Frost program does not require days on/off to be set

Frost program start time, program finish time.

From the current **Time and Date** display scroll



SYSTEM SETTINGS

< Press Enter >



FrostTime start

< Press Enter >



Frost Watch On
00 : 00 : 00 Am

Use numeric keys to enter time hr:min:sec



FrostTime Finish
< Press Enter >



As previous, use numeric keys to enter time hr:min:sec

**Frost Watch enable/disable**

From the current **Time and Date** display scroll



SYSTEM SETTINGS

< Press Enter >



Use < > keys and scroll to **Frost Watch**

Frost Watch
< Press Enter >



Use scroll < > keys to select Enabled or Disabled



Note. When the Frost Watch function is enabled for programs 6 or 7, or both, the status of the frost program can be viewed by pressing the "0" Key from the current **Time and Day** display. "F" upper case indicates Frost watch is enabled, "f" lower case indicates function is not disabled.

Volumetric watering

Alternative to watering by time, a set volume of water can be programmed per station. The controller will then "count" pulses from the water meter assigned to that program. Pulse resolutions supported are: 1 litre, 10 litres, 100 litres and 1000 litres

Ensure the water meter pulse ratio is set in the controller, refer to **Systems Settings, Flow Meter Pulse**, page 36.

From "**Program Entry**" display use **Enter** key until —

<P# Option >

Time



<P# Option >

VOLUMETRIC



Will clear stn's
<Enter> or <Back>?



When changing stn run format the existing stn values are erased.

<P# WaterStn 01
000000 L 100%

Use numeric keys to enter total litres



Repeat for each station



P# Station Delay
00 : 00 Ms

Enter time from keypad min:sec



P# Total Water
00000000 CM

Water Meters

The controller supports up to 8 water meters. Only 1 meter can be assigned to a program.

Water meter (1) assigned to all programs as default setting. This is the [WMD] input terminal on the controller.

Additional 7 water meters inputs are connected to DataNodes™ on the two-wire cable.

When a water meter is assigned to a DataNode™ this can then be assigned to a program.



Due to Water Meters 2—8 being connected by DataNodes to the system they are assigned in a preferential numeric order to the DataNodes. For example if DataNode address 6 is first selected to have a Water Meter input it would be assigned WM2. If DataNode address 8 was next selected to have a Water Meter input it would be assigned WM3.

Water Meter pulse ratio

From the **Time and Day** display scroll



SYSTEM SETTINGS
< Press Enter >



Flow Meter pulse
< Press Enter >



< M # Pulse Ratio >
1 Pulse = 1 ltr

Use < > keys to set pulse value



Use numeric keys to select next meter

Use < > keys to set pulse value and repeat as required

**Water Meters 2-8 configured to DataNodes™.**

From the **Time and Day** display scroll



T.W. DEVICES
< Press Enter >



Use < > keys to scroll to "T.W Data Nodes" display

T.W Data Nodes
< Press Enter >



Enter DN No.
00 (DN NO. 1—12)

Use numeric keys to enter number



< **Select Input** >
Nil

Use < > keys to select water meter



Use < > keys to scroll to **View DataNodes** display to verify

View Data Nodes
< Press Enter >



< **Add. 01** **Add. 02** >

← **DataNodes 1-12**

← **Sensor/Input type**

Connect to TW-Devices Program port and download setting, page 43.

Con't **Water Meters**

Water meters, assignment to programs. (default is **WM (1)** all programs)

Program Entry < Press Enter >	<div style="border: 1px solid black; border-radius: 10px; width: 40px; height: 40px; display: flex; align-items: center; justify-content: center; margin: 0 auto;"> <div style="color: green; font-size: 24px; margin: 0 5px;"><</div> </div>	WM Configuration < Press Enter >	<div style="border: 1px solid black; border-radius: 10px; width: 40px; height: 40px; display: flex; align-items: center; justify-content: center; margin: 0 auto;"> <div style="color: green; font-size: 24px; margin: 0 5px;">ENTER</div> </div>
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Program No. # < WaterMeter # >	In this order use numeric keys to select the program. Use < > keys to select the water meter number.	<div style="border: 1px solid black; border-radius: 10px; width: 40px; height: 40px; display: flex; align-items: center; justify-content: center; margin: 0 auto;"> <div style="color: green; font-size: 24px; margin: 0 5px;">ENTER</div> </div>
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Note: When assigning water meters to programs it is the **water meter number** and not the DataNode™ that is being assigned to a program. Water meter (1) is always assigned to the controller [**WMD**] input terminal. Water meters 2—8 are assigned to DataNodes™.

Ensure the pulse ratio has been set as previously described above for each water meter.

Adjusting water meter total to the same reading as the water meter register

From the current **Time and Date** display < > scroll

SYSTEM SETTINGS < Press Enter >	<div style="border: 1px solid black; border-radius: 10px; width: 40px; height: 40px; display: flex; align-items: center; justify-content: center; margin: 0 auto;"> <div style="color: green; font-size: 24px; margin: 0 5px;">ENTER</div> </div>	Flow Meter pulse < Press Enter >
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<div style="border: 1px solid black; border-radius: 10px; width: 40px; height: 40px; display: flex; align-items: center; justify-content: center; margin: 0 auto;"> <div style="color: green; font-size: 24px; margin: 0 5px;">></div> </div>	Factory Default < Press Enter >	<div style="border: 1px solid black; border-radius: 10px; width: 40px; height: 40px; display: flex; align-items: center; justify-content: center; margin: 0 auto;"> <div style="color: green; font-size: 24px; margin: 0 5px;">ENTER</div> </div>	Default < 1234 > WM Config <6021>	Key in 6021
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< WaterMeter 1 > 000000000 CM	Scroll < > to the required water meter, use numeric keys only to key in correct total	<div style="border: 1px solid black; border-radius: 10px; width: 40px; height: 40px; display: flex; align-items: center; justify-content: center; margin: 0 auto;"> <div style="color: green; font-size: 24px; margin: 0 5px;">ENTER</div> </div>
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Auxiliary Pump function

The auxiliary is used for chemical / fertiliser injection. See **Systems Setting—Auxiliary Pump**, page 36. To activate this function.

Auxiliary pumps are activated by pump start Nodes. The default address is 50 for all programs. This can be changed for different programs.

Upon entering a program when the Auxiliary function is enabled the following will display:

After the **P# Total Water** display



P# Prewet Delay
00 : 00 Ms

Use keypad to enter delay time min : sec



P# Aux. Pump default

Default is 50. For different Aux pumps select available address number less than 50



Use numeric keys to select



<P# Aux. Stn 01>
00 : 00 :00 100%

Use keypad to enter aux stn run times hr:min:sec



Copy to next stations or use < > keys

Repeat for each stations

**Note**

The auxiliary pre-wet is the time the station runs without the dosing (auxiliary) pump running. The auxiliary run time is the dosing pump run time during the stations watering time. The balance of the time on the stations watering time is a post-wash time.

This function may be used for other applications.

For example, if no pre-wet delay is selected and the Aux run time is the same as the station/s run time the auxiliary will run for the station/s duration. Many connotations of this are possible by manipulation of the program/s and auxiliary pump/s.

Adding and Assigning Master Pumps

When in the **Program Entry** menu a display of **Master Pump Default** will be indicated. The default pump start Node address is **49**. This can be changed as follows -

P# Master Pump Default



P# Master Pump
00

Use numeric keys to select. Must be 49 or less



To program the pump start or master valve Nodes; See page 39 **“Program Valves Program Pump Start Nodes”**

Note—The maximum address output capacity of the controller is 50. Being, 48 valves, 1 master pump (49) and 1 Aux pump (50). When additional pumps/master valves are programmed they use valve address numbers. Hence if an additional 2 pumps are added the valve numbers are reduced by 2 giving a maximum of 46 valve capacity. e.g. M/V (49), (48) (47), therefore 1-46 is the new field valve capacity.



Pause program

A running program can be paused from the keypad and restarted at its pause point later





 Use < > keys to select program


 To re-start program repeat above use < > keys to select program
 

Raining off programs.

Programs can be suspended or Rained Off for a period of time from the keypad, at any time they can be activated again to start at their programmed start times.







 Use < > keys to select program
 

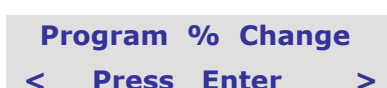



To re-start program repeat above use < > keys to select program

**Station run time % change**

% change will increase or decrease the station run times in the program/s selected. The original programmed time is 100%

From the current **Time and Date** display scroll





 Select program number
 


Use numeric keys to enter new %



Note: 100% is the original programmed time

To clear programs

A single program or all programs can be cleared of station run times/volume totals, day calendar, start times, station delay times.

HydroSector assigned programs will revert to standard programs but station numbers assigned to HydroSectors will remain.

System Settings, Communication, TW Devices, Inputs, Water Meter Configuration will remain as programmed.

To revert to factory settings see **page 48**.

Con't **To clear programs**

Program Entry
 < Press Enter >

>

Clear Program
 < Press Enter >

ENTER

Clear Program
Program 1 [0=All]

Select program number

ENTER

Stop a program running.

To immediately stop a program or programs whilst they are running.

ON/OFF
SHORT CUT

Select Program?
Program 0 [0=All]

Enter program number from keypad.

ENTER

Stop a stations running.

Press

ON/OFF
SHORT CUT

View programs running

Operating program/s will indicate with a flashing program number/s on the display.

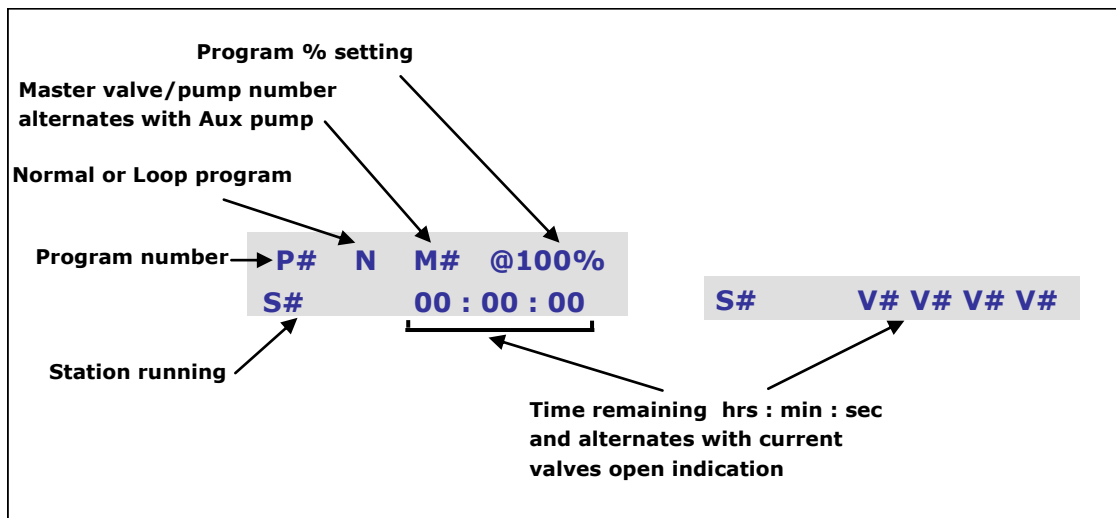
Display will Flash

Running Programs
1 # # # # # # #

Enter program number from keypad.

P#	N	M#	@100%
Stn. #	00 : 00 : 00		

Note.



Manual/Test**Manually start program.**

From the current **Time and Date** display scroll



Manual/Test
Press Enter



Manual Start Prg
Press Enter



Program Type
< Normal Program >

Use < > to select Normal or HydroSector



Enter Program No?
1

Use numeric keys to enter selection



Program %[0-250]
100

Use numeric keys if a % change is required



To stop a running program, refer to page 33.

Manually Start/stop Stations

Manual/Test
< Press Enter >



Manual Start Prg
< Press Enter >



Manual Start Stn
< Press Enter >



Set From / End Stn
From ## End ##

Select station numbers from keypad



Set Station Time
00 : 00 Ms

Use numeric keys to select min : sec



< Master Pump >
start delay 00 : 00

Use < > keys to select different pump option

and or

Use numeric keys in min : sec if a delay is wanted before the manual start begins



To manually advance to another stn use numeric keys to enter the stn number

**View manual stations running**

Go to the current **Time and Date** display.
"M" will flash indicating manual stns running



Man. Stns M#
Stn No. ## (00 : 00)

Stop Manual Stations

Self Test

Self Test is not enabled on this version

Information**View log**

Up to 999 events are held in memory

From the current Time
and date display scroll



INFORMATION
Press Enter



View Log
Press Enter



Use scroll keys < >
to view

Date Time
Event

Delete Log

From the **View**
Log display scroll



Delete Log
Press Enter



Delete Log File?
Enter / Back

Press **Enter** to delete log history
or press **Back** to continue

System Faults

From the **View Log** display scroll Use < > keys

System faults
Press Enter

Current fault will
be displayed

To clear fault
indicator

**Water meter count totals (cubic Metres)**

INFORMATION
Press Enter



WM-1 Total
000000000 CM

Use numeric keys to
select next meter

Water meter flow rates

INFORMATION
Press Enter



WM-1 Total
000000000 CM



WM-1 Flow
00000 L/Minute

Use numeric keys to
select next meter

Power Meter total

INFORMATION
Press Enter

Use < > keys to advance to
Power Meter display

Power Meter
000000 KWH

Electrical current load

INFORMATION
Press Enter

Use < > keys to advance to **TW**
Power display, as milliamps.

TW current
0000mA

Software Version

INFORMATION

< **Press Enter** >

Use < > keys to advance to
Software Version display

System Settings

Water Meter Pulse

It is necessary to set the pulse ratio to match the water meter output pulses

From the **Time and Day** display scroll



SYSTEM SETTINGS

< **Press Enter** >



Flow Meter pulse

< **Press Enter** >



< **M # Pulse Ratio** >
1 Pulse = 1 ltr

Use < > keys to
set pulse value



Use numeric keys to
select next meter

Use < > keys
to set pulse



Auxiliary Pump

This function activates the auxiliary pump program.

From the **SYSTEM SETTING** display



Scroll to

Auxilliary Config.

< **Press Enter** >



< **Auxilliary Pump** >
OFF

Use < > keys to activate
auxiliary pump function



Enable Password

For firmware version 2.33 and above.

From the **SYSTEM SETTING** display



Scroll to

Change password

< **Press Enter** >



New password

Use numeric keys to select
four digit number



Your password is now enabled. The password will now be required to make any changes to the controller program including wiring list, system settings etc.

Disable Password

From the **SYSTEM SETTING** display



Enter your
password



Scroll to

Change password

< **Press Enter** >



New password




Use numeric keys
and enter **0000**


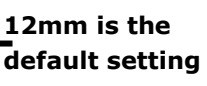



Should the operator forget the password please contact the manufacturer
sales@signal.com.au or call 08 92402322

Precipitation

This function sets the precipitation for each HydroSector.

From the **System Settings** display  Use < > keys to advance to "Precipitation" display  




  Use numeric keys for new value, use < > to next HydroSectors and repeat 


Delay Times


This menu has three delay parameters. **Pressure Delay**, **Water Flow Delay** and **Last Station On Delay**.

Pressure Delay

An analog pressure sensor connected to the [PRE] terminal at the controller or digital sensors connected to the [HP], [SP] and [LP] terminals will stop all irrigation after a pre-set time delay on Low and High pressure. It will skip a valve when the pressure reaches the Skip [SP] (intermediate pre-set pressure.)



From the **System Settings** display  Use < > keys to advance to "Delay Time" display  





 The display indicates Low Skip and High pressure at the default settings L. min S. sec H. sec

Use numeric keys to enter delay and < > to selected field. 

Water meter pulse Delay




If the controller is operating in the volumetric mode and no pulses are detected for this pre-set time all irrigation will be stopped





From the **System Settings** display  Use < > keys to advance to "Delay Time" display 

   Use numeric keys for new time 

Last station On delay

This function will keep the last valve on after a program and pumps have stopped running. Allowing for ramp down and preventing pumping against closed heads

From the **System Settings** display  Use < > keys to advance to "Delay Time" display  

   Use numeric keys for new time 

Communication

The controller has different options for communication. These are - RS232 via the 9 pin DB9 serial port for Data Radio or GSM link with a computer. Bluetooth (optional) can be enabled for convenient local programming for example, via a laptop computer. These options are set up at the controller keypad. In addition, the controller can be connected directly to a computer via the serial port or USB cable (if USB optioned).

To communicate with the PC software a controller must be assigned an address 0-250. Factory default is 000.

System Address

From the current **Time and Day** display scroll



COMMUNICATION
< Press Enter >



System Address
< Press Enter >



System Address
000

Enter controller address from keypad



Data radio connection

Connect Data radio to serial port. Controller will automatically configure.

GSM/3G connection

- GSM/3G modem to serial port. Controller will automatically configure.
- SIM card must support SMS texting and Data, at the controller modem and PC modem.

Mobile telephone numbers accepted by the controller.

The controller will accept up to three telephone numbers in the menu, designated as 1, 2 and 3. Each one varies slightly in its function:

Mobile ID (1). SMS commands only to and from the controller, see page 39.

Mobile ID (2). SMS commands as above but includes an SMS message if a fault event occurs.

Mobile ID (3). SMS commands as **(1)** above including a status report sent from the controller at 7.00am each morning, see page 40. **(WM)**

From the **Commu-
nication** display



System Address
< Press Enter >

Use < > keys to advance to the **Phone Number ID** display

Phone Number ID
< Press Enter >



< **Phone Number ID 1** >
< >

Select 1,2 or 3 with < > keys and enter number

Note. When the PC is connected in texting mode (SMS) as above in (1) (2) & (3) the same commands for mobile phone, including fault reports and WM totals as on pages 39 and 40, are available. When programming a controller or retrieving a log file from a controller to the PC, the connection is changed at the PC software to a direct GSM data connection to the controller to enable the larger data file transfers.

BlueTooth

This function enables or disables the Bluetooth communication port. (optional extra)

From the **Commu-
nication** display



System Address
< Press Enter >



Bluetooth
< Press Enter >

If Bluetooth
option is fitted



Use < > keys to
enable/disable



Bluetooth Pass key
< Press Enter >



Enter Pass key
0000

Use numeric keys to
enter your PIN number



The controller will communicate with the mobile telephone ID's that have been entered into the controller memory with a GSM modem plugged into the RS232 serial port.

GSM text commands, The following SMS commands can be sent to the controller:

Function	Command
1. Start Program	PGS PGS <space>prog nos or 0 for all
2. Stop Program	PGE PGE <space>prog nos or 0 for all
3. Pause Program	PPS PPS <space>prog nos or 0 for all
4. Un-Pause Program	PPE PPE <space>prog nos or 0 for all
5. Rain-Off Program	ROS ROS <space>prog nos or 0 for all
6. Rain-On program	ROE ROE <space>prog nos or 0 for all
7. Percentage Program	PER PER <space>prog nos<space>percentage
8. DataValve™ On Manual	DVS DVS <space>valve nos<space>valve nos (up to 4)
9. DataValve™ Off	DVE DVE
10. Station Start Manually	STS STS <space>1st stn<space>last stn<space>run time
11. Station Stop Manually	STE STE
12. Water Meter & Faults	WM WM
13. Enable instant SMS fault	ST ST (Mob. ID number 2.)
14. Disable instant SMS fault	SP SP (Mob. ID number 2.)
15. View controller status	PGS

Note. insert <space> between station, program and run times.

DataValve™ manual function is set for 10 minute run time.

The controller accepts SMS commands only from the mobile number which is entered into the **Phone Number ID** at the controller. The SMS receiving and sending time depends on the network traffic conditions

Commands are not case sensitive (use upper case or lower case or both together)

Examples of GSM text commands**Start programs 1,2 and 3**

PGS 123 Programs 1,2 and 3 will run

Percentage adjustment of programs 1,2 and 3 to 75% of their programmed time.

PER 123 075 Percentage adjusted to 75% on programs 1,2 and 3

DataValve™ 1,8,12 and 46 on manually

DVS 01 08 12 46 Valves 1,8,12 and 46 will run for the default time of 10 mins

Stations 1 to 25 Start manually for 5 minutes

STS 01 25 05 Stations 1 to 25 will run for 5 minutes each

GSM command controller responses

Run Prg> (displays programs running)

Pause> (displays programs paused)

Rain> (displays programs rained off)

Man Valv> (displays command activated at controller, manually on valves)

Man Stn> (displays command activated at controller, stations on and run times)

%> (percentage setting of programs)

T/D> (current time and date on each return message)

WM> The SMS message to this command is as below:

WM1> (Reading of Water Meter 1)

WM2> (Reading of Water Meter 2)

WM3> (Reading of Water Meter 3)

WM4> (Reading of Water Meter 4)

WM5> (Reading of Water Meter 5)

WM6> (Reading of Water Meter 6)

WM7> (Reading of Water Meter 7)

WM8> (Reading of Water Meter 8)

KWH> (Reading of Power Meter)

F> (displays fault numbers as indicated below)

1 High pressure

2 Low Pressure

3 Skip pressure

6 Water Meter Error

7 TW Short Circuit

Two-wire Devices

View valves On-line

This is the field DataValves™ messaging back as on-line and communicating

From the Time and Date display use < > **T.W. DEVICES** **ENTER** **Valves On-Line** **Press Enter** >

ENTER **## VALVES ONLINE** **<** **>** Current valves and PumpNodes on-line will display. Use < > keys to view.

"Wire" Valves to stations

If the default setting is not suitable, valves can be re-assigned to different stations. This is a useful feature, for example, to hydraulically balance a system.

From the "T.W Devices" display **ENTER** **>** **Wire Valves** **Press Enter** **>** **ENTER**

Note

The default is valve 01 assigned to station 01, V02 to Stn 02 etc. To change use < > keys

V01x	02x	03x	04x	←Valves 1—48	>	Use keypad to assign valves to stations	ENTER
S01	02	03	04	← Stations 1-48			

View Wiring List

Reviews valve assignment list

From the "T.W Devices" display **ENTER** **>** **View Wiring List** **Press Enter** **>** **ENTER**

V01x	02x	03x	04x
S01	02	03	04

Run valves manually

Valves will operate electrically without starting pumps or master valves. A useful function for testing DataCoils.

From the "T.W Devices" display **ENTER** Use < > keys to scroll to the **Run Valves** display **Run Valves** **Press Enter** **>** **ENTER**

Select Valves #00 #00 #00 #00	Use numeric keys and < > to next valve	ENTER	Set Run Time 00 : 00 : 00	ENTER
--	--	--------------	--	--------------

Use numeric keys to enter time hr:min:sec **ENTER**

DataValve and PumpNode address number programming

To program a DataValve or PumpNode number. Connect the valve or PumpNode to the **Two-Wire Devices program port**. Enter the required number at the controller and download.



Caution: Ensure programming is correct before disconnecting from the program port. Once disconnected the device cannot be reprogrammed

From the "T.W De-
vices" display



Use < > keys to scroll to
"Program Valves" display

Program Valves
< Press Enter >



Enter Valve No.
00

Use the numeric keys to enter the number and en-
sure DataCoil™ is connected to the program port



Note. Repeat above for PumpNodes. 49 is the default number (address) of the PumpNode supplied with the controller.

T.W. DataNodes™

The DataNodes are supplied unprogrammed from the factory. The following describes how to select the various settings and sensor types for each DataNode. Pause, Rain-Off, Program Stop and Frost use N/O contact input (switch). Water Meter and KWH Meter use counter DataNodes. Moisture is supplied as a complete unit.

Configuring DataNode™ input

From the "T.W De-
vices" display



Use < > keys to scroll to
T.W Data Nodes display

T.W Data Nodes
< Press Enter >



Enter DN No.
00 (DN NO. 1–12)

Use numeric keys
to enter number



< **Select Input** >
Nil

Use < > scroll
keys to select → **Moisture, Pause, Rain-Off, Program stop, Water
Meter, KWH Meter, Frost (1), Frost (2).**

**Configuring DataNode™ input for moisture**

When selecting moisture the **program number** for the sensor must also be selected

< **Select Input** >
Nil

Use < > scroll
keys to select

< **Select Input** >
Moisture P-#

Use numeric keys to enter
which program to assign to

**Notes on DataNodes**

The Pause and Rain Off sensors are assigned to programs in the **Inputs menu** page 44.

Water Meter when selected refer to the previous section **Water Meter configuration and program assignment** pages 29, 30.

Frost Sensor (1) will activate frost program 7, Frost Sensor (2) will activate Frost program 8
see pages 27, 28. *con't next page*

Con't

Moisture sensor preset irrigation override setting see page 45.

Stop Program this is linked to the **Start Program** input sensor at the controller i.e. program/s started by the Start program input sensor are stopped by the **Stop Program** sensor.

View DataNodes

From the "T.W De-
vices" display



Use < > keys to scroll to
"View Data Nodes" display

View Data Nodes
< Press Enter >



< Add. 01 Add. 02 >
X00 (##) X00 (##)

Use < > keys
to view



Go to **page 45** for details of
display information.

Download program settings to DataNodes and Moisture sensors

To download the settings to the DataNode or moisture sensor the DataNode must be connected to the **Two-wire Devices program port** terminals on the controller using the supplied leads.



Caution: Ensure programming is correct before disconnecting from the program port. Once disconnected the device cannot be reprogrammed

From the "T.W
Devices" display



Use < > keys to scroll to
Program Data Nodes display

Program Data Nodes
< Press Enter >



Enter DN Number
00

Use the numeric keys to
enter the DN number



Inputs

Inputs are from switches or sensors. The controller supports analog and digital inputs. Both direct connection to the controller terminal strip and the 12 field DataNodes.

Pressure

This sensor will either stop irrigation high and low pressure, or skip a station after a pre-set time delay. Digital sensors can be connected to the terminals [HP], [SP] and [LP]. The [PRE] terminal at the controller is for an analog 4-20 ma pressure sensor.

From the **Time and
date** display scroll



INPUTS
< Press Enter >



Pressure Sensor
< Press Enter >



Pressure Sensor
Digital Inputs

If an analog
sensor is used



Pressure Sensor
L### S### H###

Use keypad to select pressure setting in KPA.
L=Low, **S**=Skip station **H**=High.



Note. If analog sensor is not used - Preset sensors can be connected to the controller terminals [HP], [SP] and [LP]. (N/O contacts)

To program delays for sensors go to the **SYSTEM SETTINGS** page 37.

Notes. The **Skip Pressure** function may not hydraulically activate a valve quickly enough as some pumps have steep pressure curves. For example, a skip and high pressure setting may only be 100kPa apart. This differential may only take a couple of seconds to reach the high pressure cut-out point when pumping against a closed head. If this is the case the time for the electrical signal to be initiated and a valve to electrically and hydraulically respond may be beaten by the high pressure cut-out. A pressure sustaining/relief valve can be installed that is sized to slow down the pressure increase if a valve fails to open but not completely prevent a pressure increase that would override a HP cut out in a closed head condition.

Program Start Sensor

This sensor will activate its selected programs for their programmed run times. The sensor input is located at the controller terminal [PRS].

From the **Time and date** display scroll



INPUTS
< Press Enter >



Pressure Sensor
< Press Enter >



Prg. Start Sensor
< Press Enter >



Select Programs
- - - - - 8

ON/OFF
SHORT CUT

Use scroll < > keys to next or previous slot and repeat



Note. Program 8 is as default.

Pause Sensor

This sensor will pause its selected programs when running. They will resume at the paused state when the sensor is not active.

From the **Time and date** display scroll



INPUTS
< Press Enter >



Pressure Sensor
< Press Enter >



Pause Switch
< Press Enter >



Select Programs
1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8

ON/OFF
SHORT CUT

Use scroll < > keys to next or previous slot and repeat



Rain-off Sensor

The Rain-off sensor will switch the programs to a non start condition whilst the sensor is activated.

From the **Time and date** display scroll



INPUTS
< Press Enter >



Pressure Sensor
< Press Enter >



Rain-Off Sensor
< Press Enter >



Enter program No?
1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8

ON/OFF
SHORT CUT

Use scroll < > keys to next or previous slot and repeat



Moisture Pre-Set

Moisture sensors are pre-set at the controller to override a HydroSector irrigation start time if the pre-set value is reached or exceeded. The controller software checks this setting before each irrigation start.

The sensors are assigned to Programs or HydroSectors. (see next section for HydroSectors)

From the **Time and date** display scroll



INPUTS
< Press Enter >



Pressure Sensor
< Press Enter >



Moisture Pre-Set
< Press Enter >



< Mois. Sensor 1 >
20 (10 to 45)

Use keypad to set range between 10%-70%



Set next moisture sensor and repeat as required



Note. The moisture sensors were calibrated in sandy loam soil. The % moisture readout at the controller may differ with varying soil types. Your preset override can be adjusted to suit your local conditions by adjustments and observation over a period of time.

View Inputs (inputs on the controller terminal strip)

From the **Time and date** display scroll



INPUTS
< Press Enter >



Pressure Sensor
< Press Enter >



View INPUTS
< Press Enter >



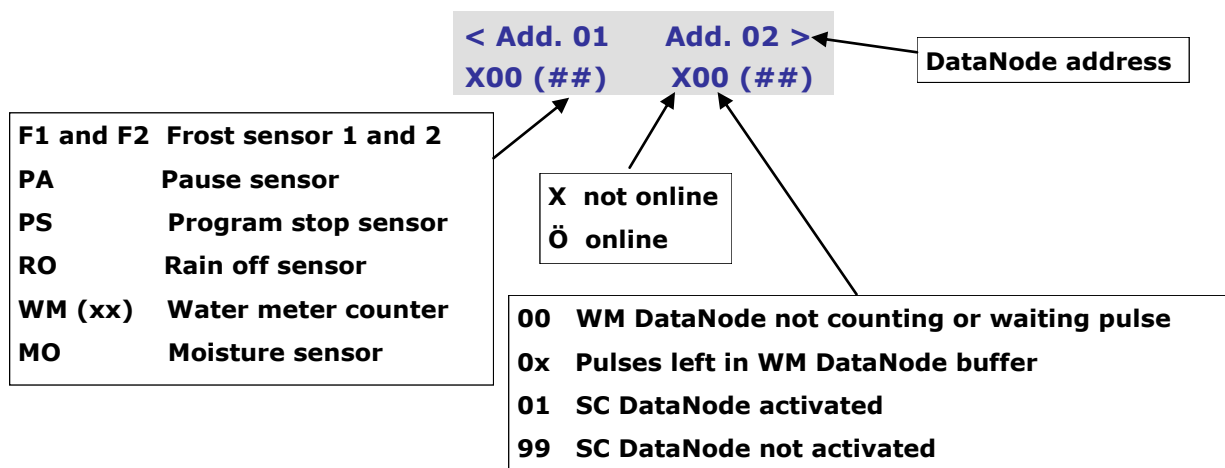
PR WM WAHSLP
000 000 000000

Display as kPa

0 = contact open
1 = Contact closed

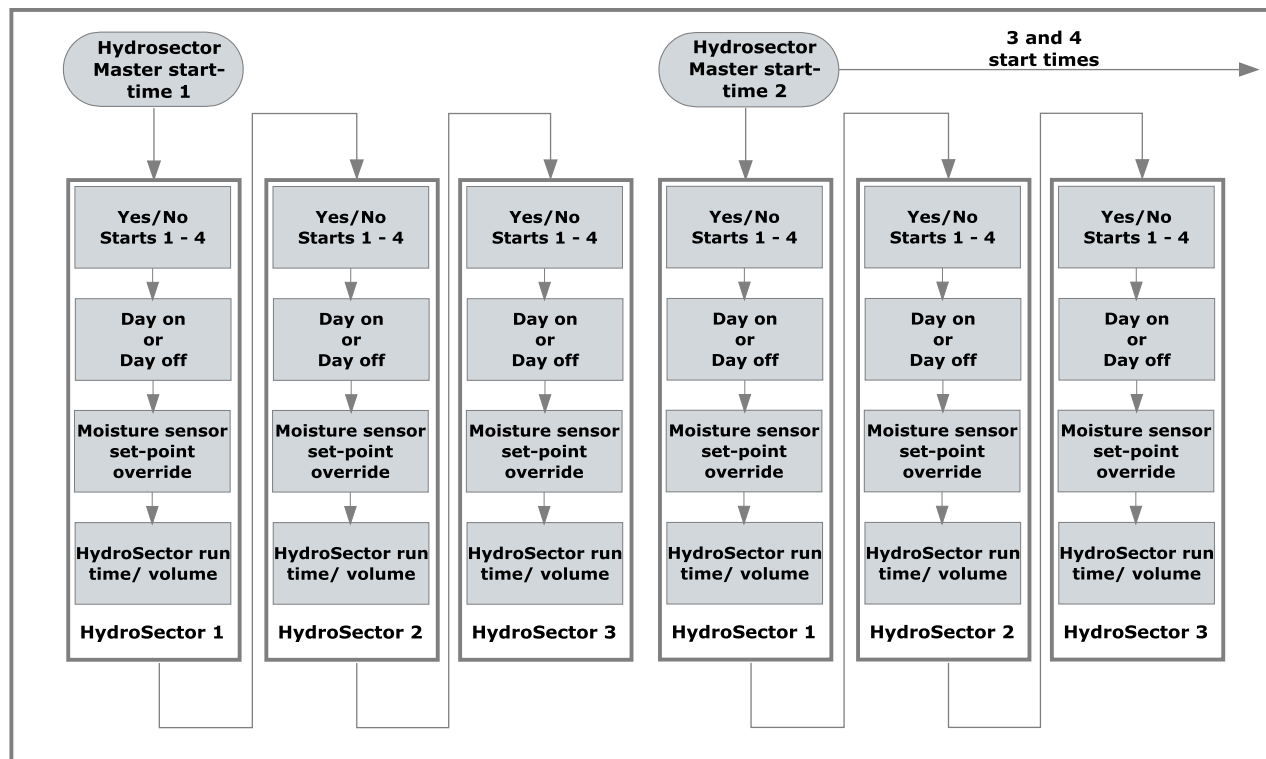
PR	Analog input Pressure	H	High Pressure
WM	(not used this version)	S	Skip Pressure
W	Water Meter no 1	L	Low Pressure
A	Auxiliary Pump	P	Program Start

DataNode status from "View DataNode" display (from page 43)



HydroSector™ Program

- The HydroSector program is a conversion of the standard programs to a linked sequence of zones or HydroSectors. Each H/Sector would typically be a number of matched precipitation stations. Each station may have multiple valves.
- The HydroSector can be programmed in time, precipitation in mm or by volume in litres.
- If the Auto programming option is used the total of hours and minutes, mm or litres are programmed for each HydroSector. The program calculates the run time or volume for each valve (in the case of volume) within that HydroSector.
- The program structure consists of 4 programmable master start times. Each HydroSector can be programmed to accept or reject these starts.
- Each HydroSector is programmed with a 14 day calendar.
- A soil moisture sensor can be allocated to each HydroSector and calibrated at the controller to override the irrigation at a programmable set-point at the controller.
- If connected to a pulse output on a water meter a total of water used is stored and a weekly water usage can be checked against a running annual water budget for the system. The SDS software program at your laptop or Central PC will advise if the budget is on target. (some versions only)



HydroSectors will run in sequence. If an override is triggered e.g. Moisture, day off, non acceptance of a master start time 1—4, the next H/sector in the sequence will start.

Con't HydroSector Program

Before commencing go to **SYSTEM SETTINGS** and enter the precipitation rate for each HydroSector™ in use. See page 37. The default setting is 12mm.

Converting programs to HydroSectors and setting Master Start Times

From the **Program Entry** display scroll



HydroSector Prog
< Press Enter >



Assign Programs
- - - - -

This converts a standard program to a HydroSector



< Set Start time 1 >
None

These are the 4 master start times of the H/Sector Program



< Set Start time 1 >
00 : 00 : 00 Am

Enter start time from keypad hr : min : sec



Repeat procedure for more start times



Auto programming
< Disabled >

Auto Programming feature

The auto programming option assigns time or volume of water to each valve & stn within the HydroSector from a total value entered for each H/Sector. It is **recommended watering be set by precipitation or Time**. Only use volumetric option on a matched precipitation system if the system has been designed for volumetric watering. I.e. (matched flow for all valves within a station)

If Auto programming is not selected go to **Program Entry** display and program as normal.

To enable Auto-program



Auto programming
< Enabled >



< Hydro Stations >
H# From ## To ##

Enter station numbers from keypad



< Total Water >
H# 00 : 00 : 00 100%

Use numeric keys and enter time

To program by precipitation



< Total Water >
H# ## mm 100%

Use numeric keys and enter mm. Run time can be checked by pressing on/off

Rewriting Progs
.....Please wait

For the volumetric watering option this must be selected in the **Program Entry** menu

The HydroSectors are now selected. Stations have been allocated and watering times and/or volumes have automatically been calculated for each valve/station and start times have been programmed.

The next phase enters into each HydroSector its start time acceptances of the 4 master start times and the 14 day calendar for each of the sectors. Press the **Back** key to the **Program** display and continue as described in the next section.

Con't HydroSector Program

Days on/off and Start time acceptances of Master starts

Program < ENTER > Program Entry < ENTER >
Press Enter Press Enter

Enter Program No? Use numeric keys to select < H# Mode >
ENTER Normal

If no loop H# Master Pump H# Water Days
prog required ENTER Default ENTER SMTWTFS SMTWTFS >

ON/OFF < H# Start Time 1 > On/off key to ON/OFF Use < > keys to
SHORT CUT ENTER None select starts select more starts ENTER

< P# Option Time > ENTER The display will show the time or volumes allocated to
Time each station. Water volume will be calculated depend-
ing on number of valves allocated to that station

Use < > keys to H# Station Delay If required use numeric keys to
view stations ENTER 00 : 00 Ms enter station delay mins : secs.

ENTER H# Total Water ENTER
00 : 00 : 00

If the **auxiliary pump** option is used, the following will display:

H# Prewet Delay Use keypad to enter H# Aux. Pump
00 : 00 Ms delay time min : sec ENTER default

To select DataNode AM PM Use keypad < H# Aux. Stn 01 >
other than default (50) COPY to select 00 : 00 : 00 100%

Use keypad to enter auxiliary sta- > Repeat for next
tions run times hr:min:sec ENTER

Note. The auxiliary pre-wet is the time the station runs without the dosing pump (auxiliary) running. The auxiliary run is the dosing pump run time. The balance of the time on the stations watering time is a post-wash time.

Factory Default Reset (resets controller to all factory default settings)

Caution; disconnect all devices from the serial and USB ports, reconnect after reset.

From the current **Time and** SYSTEM SETTINGS < ENTER > Flow Meter pulse
Date display < > scroll < Press Enter > < Press Enter >

> Factory Default ENTER Default < 1234 >
< Press Enter > WM Config < 6021 > Key in 1234

Fault finding the controller

The SD-50 controller has been designed for ease of service and repair. The controller does not require a service technician to repair. If you have had any experience in replacing PC plug-in cards you will be able to service the controller.

The design of the board is such that plug-in PCB modules can be quickly and easily replaced.

The principle components of the controller consist of:

- A mother board which contains the internal PCB power supply, lightning protection and plug in module interfaces.
- A plug-in logic board which houses the microcontroller, timing clock, memory and Bluetooth module.
- A plug-in output board which drives the two-wire network.
- A plug-in keypad assembly which incorporates the display.

Page 12 & 50 of this manual indicates the various key components and also the LED indicators and their normal status. These are used to initially pinpoint the fault condition if they display abnormal.

Routine things to check if the controller is suspected as faulty before further investigation.

- Is the power switched on at the controller.
- Test the power supply to the controller with a DC volt meter. It should read 36VAC
- Check that the terminal strip is not loose.
- Check that the terminal screws are firm but not over tight
- Check that the wires have not pulled away from the terminal strip by lightly pulling on them.
- Check the controller fuse.
- Check the current draw at the controller **Information** menu. Normal current draw is 6mA per coil at idle, 120mA running.
- Try re-setting the controller to factory default setting, and re-program, see page 48.

Replacing the plug-in modules.

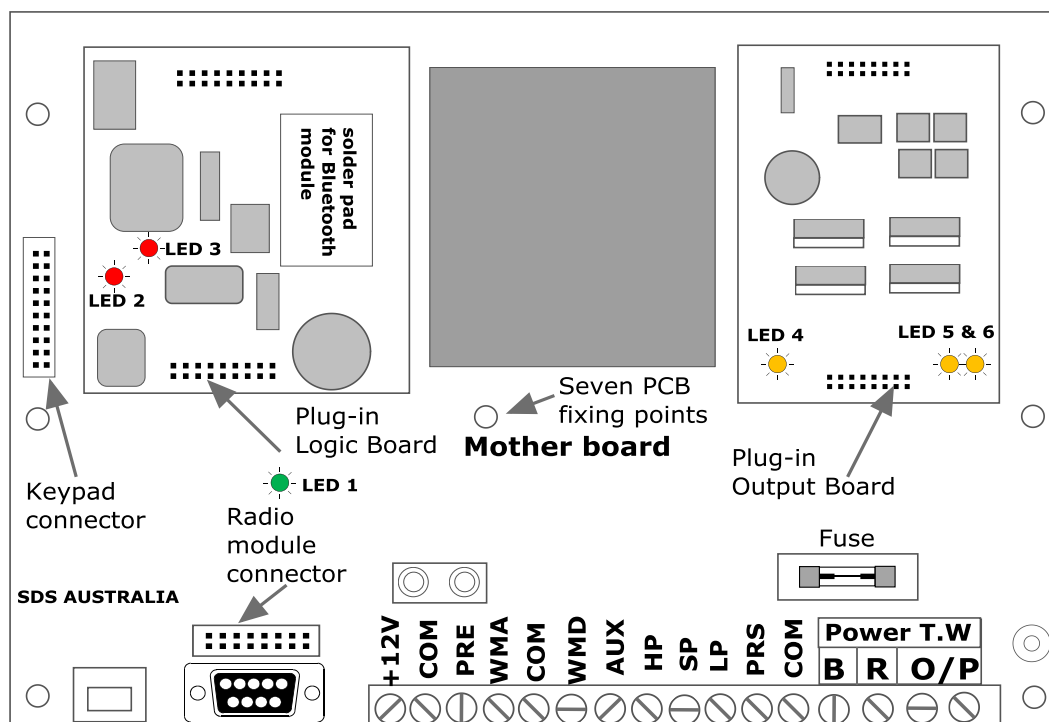
Refer to next page for correct PCB LED indicators.

Before any module is replaced turn the power off to the controller. Always hold the modules at the edge of the PCB boards. They are designed to easily plug in so no force is required. Make sure the connectors are aligned and no problems will be encountered. It is often easier when replacing the logic board to unplug the key board display panel to give easier access.

Do not over tighten the four retaining screws at each corner when securing the keypad back in place, just lightly nip the screws up to the panel.

The motherboard has **5 screws** locating it to the base of its enclosure, make sure all are removed when replacing the board and it will lift away easily.

Con't fault finding the controller



If it is suspected a fault is present at the controller and not in the field cabling or DataValves, proceed as follows.

1. Remove the four front keypad panel screws and carefully lift to one side, press any key on the keypad to ensure the output is switched on. Observe the six LEDs for correct operation.

LED 1 should be on. If it is not check the fuse. If this is OK test for DC voltage at **B R** terminals. If this is OK replace the mother board.

Note. **LED 1** indicates normal operation of the PCB motherboard power module.

2. If **LED 1** is on proceed to **LED 2 and 3**.

LED 2 should be on, **LED 3** should flash. If not correct on both LEDs replace the plug-in logic module.

Note.

LED 2 indicates power to the Logic module. **LED 3** indicates the microprocessor timers are working.

3. If **LED 1, 2 and 3** are all correct proceed to **LEDs 4, 5 and 6**.

This test assumes all other LEDs are normal.

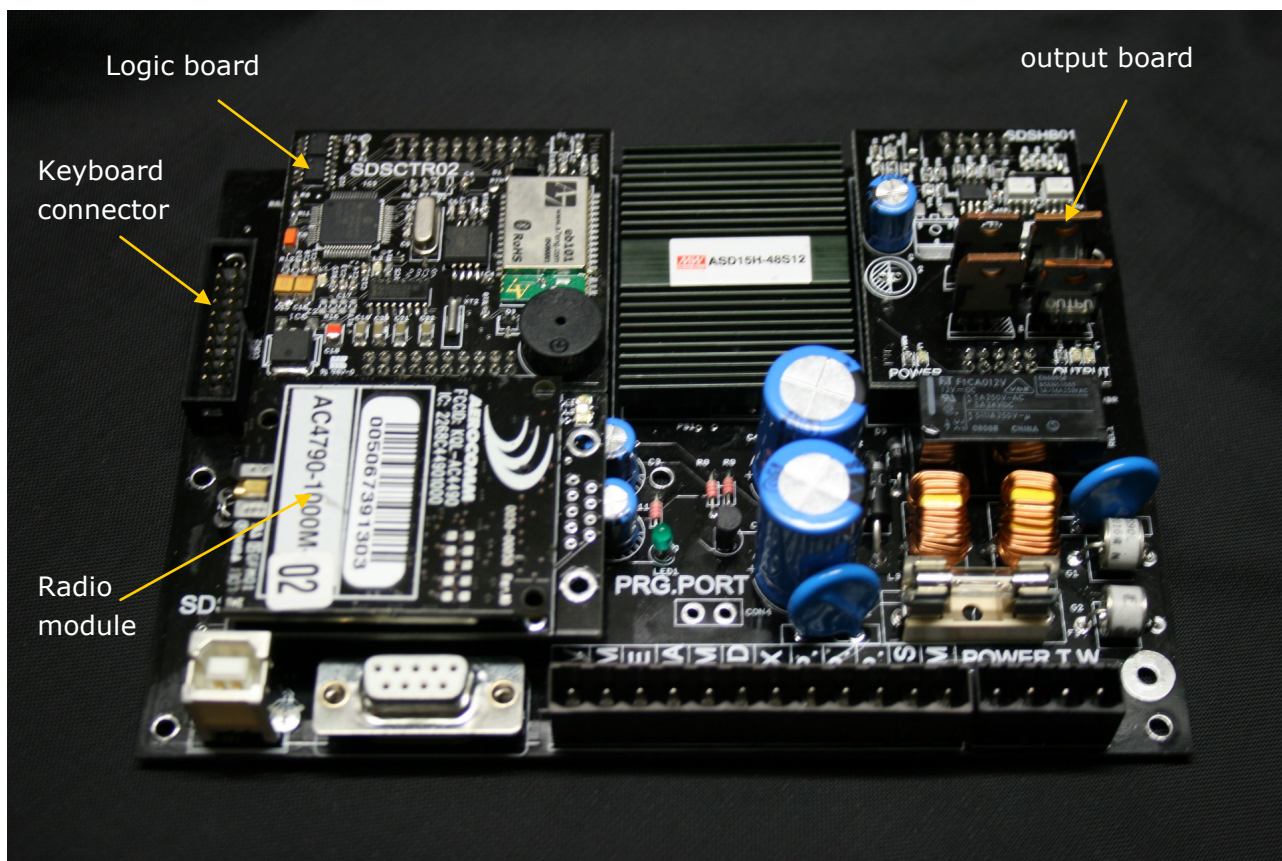
LED 4 should be on, press any key at the keypad and **LED 5** and **6** should activate. If this is not correct replace the plug-in output module.

Note.

LED 4 indicates power to the output board, **LED 5** and **6** indicate power out from the output module.

Con't **fault finding the controller**

Illustration below with the plug-in logic module output module and radio module installed.

**Fault finding field valves and cable**

The patented two-way communication between the valves and the controller makes it possible to instantly observe the performance of the field valves. By doing this, faulty DataCoils™ and cable problems are quickly identified.

In the controller menu **TW Devices**, the **Valves On-Line** function can be accessed. This will display all valves within the system and display if they are on-line or off-line.

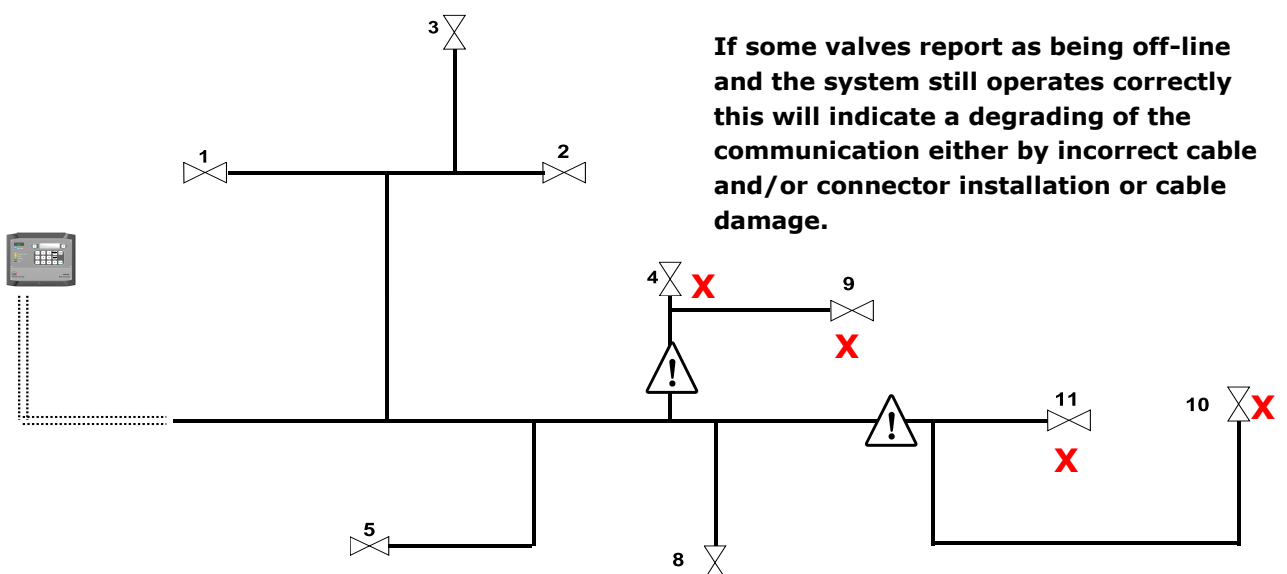
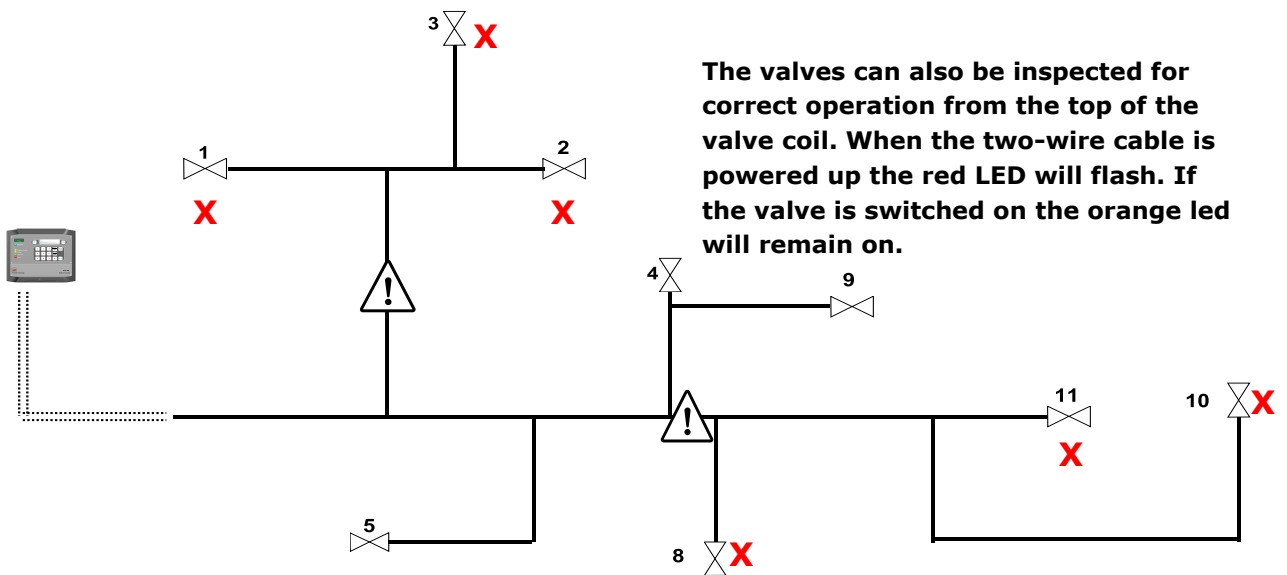
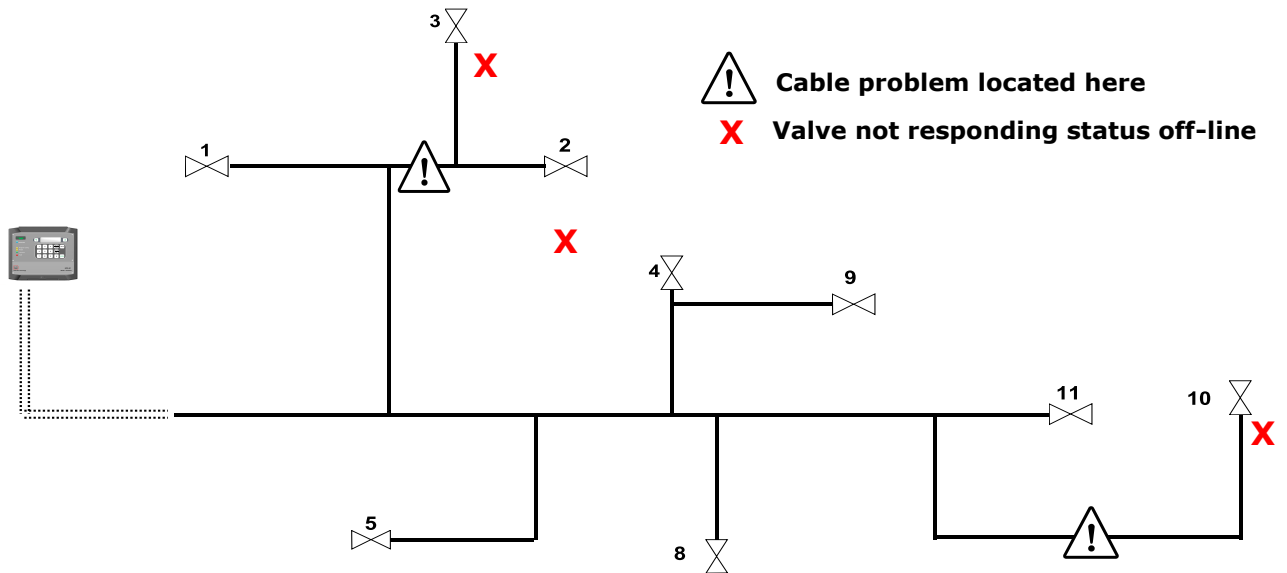
The communication protocol is biased towards the forward channel i.e. switching the valves. The back channel is split into two separate areas of reporting status of the valves and the DataNode sensor function.

The status reporting of valves on-line or off-line can be relied upon if the two-wire cable is installed correctly and has good wire connections with no leakage to earth caused by a breakdown in the wire insulation or sub-standard installation.

Current Draw

The DataCoils and DataNodes draw 2mA when not operating. DataCoils (S), when operating, draw 110mA—130mA, The Extend model DataCoil (E) draw 30mA when operating. If a total current draw exceeds **1500mA** the controller will indicate a short circuit condition. If the total current load exceeds **900mA** the green two-wire LED will flash. This condition will be either partial short circuit or could indicate the short is at a distant point in the cable from the controller.

See page 36 to view the total electrical current draw on the system.



Short circuit fault finding of TW field devices.

This fault finding operation requires a clamp-on milliamp meter with a range down to 20 milliamps and a SD Systems resistance box service tool model SD-RB. If this is not available, in an emergency a suitable 5-10 watt 250 Ohm wire wound resistor can be connected in series with the two-wire cable. Use caution and due care as a resistor can reach temperatures that will cause skin burn and melt plastics if in contact with them.

A malfunction of the system is evident when the red LED indicator is on. Press the ENTER key to display the fault. In this instance we are describing the detection of a short circuit fault.

1. The DataCoils™ model SD-DAC have, as a precaution, an internal device that will short circuit if excessive voltage is present, this reduces a "daisy chain" effect of electrical surge damage to multiple DataCoils™ and other TW devices in the event of a lightning strike.
2. When a short circuit is present the electrical current load on the two-wire cable must be reduced to a level where the circuit breakers do not reset, thus enabling electrical current testing of the system.

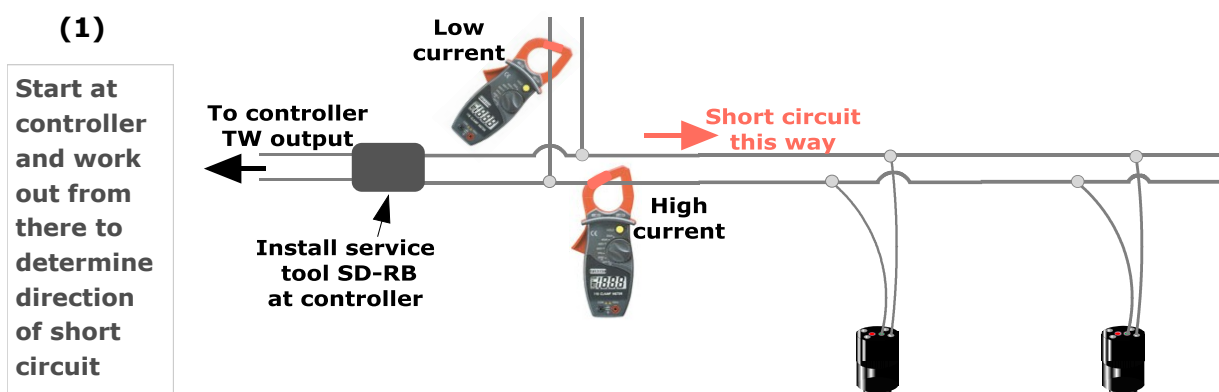
The electrically short circuited device must be located and replaced or if a cable short, repaired and tested. If a TW device is not immediately available, disconnect the shorted device from the two-wire cable until it can be replaced.

To trace the source of an electrical field short circuit proceed as follows:

Connect the two-wire cable to the SD Systems resistance box service tool SD-RB to reduce the current within the cable network. At the controller, program a valve from the **TW Devices** menu to run for a suitable period of time, this will power-up the cable network for fault detection.

A suitable low current reading clamp meter is used to trace the source of the short circuit. To detect the high electrical current source, clamp the meter over **one wire only** at a convenient location normally at the valves where the inner insulated wires can be accessed. Also any "T" branches of the cable network should be tested to follow the high current and hence the short circuit.

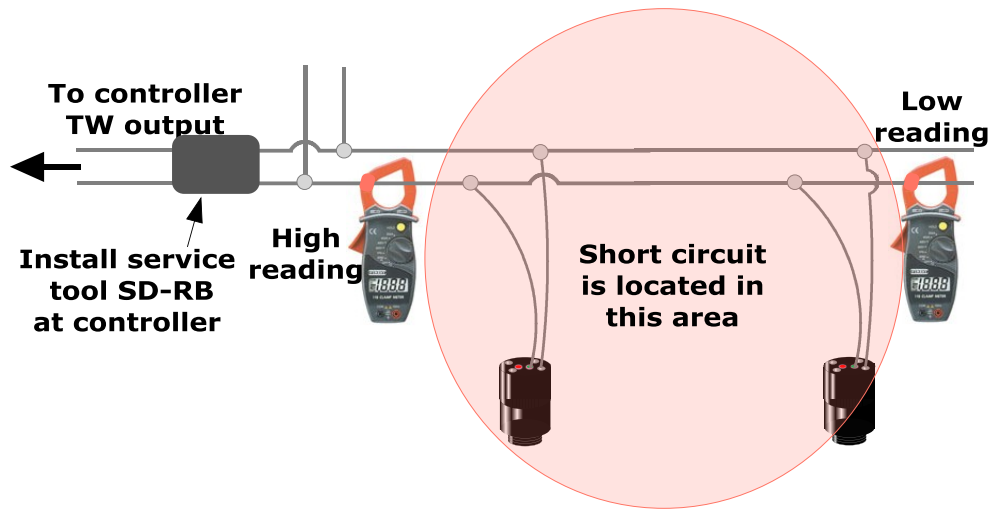
When tracing a short circuit the clamp meter will indicate a higher current flow before the short circuit. If the meter displays no or low current flow you have bypassed the short. Once zeroed into the suspected short circuit location clamp the meter on one of the two-wires between the device and the two-wire cable to confirm this is the faulty device. In some instances the short circuit could be in the two-wire cable. A cable fault is usually isolated to an area between two valves. Refer to the following examples:



Typical fault finding scenario of short circuit detection in the field.

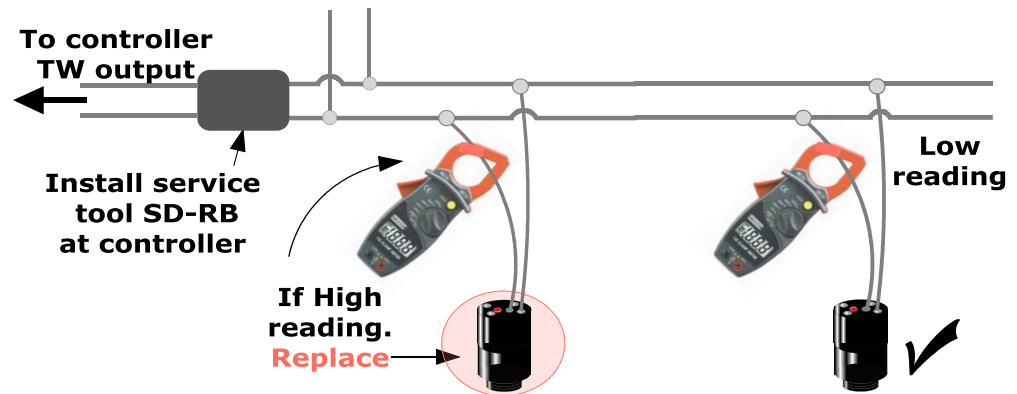
(2)

General area of short is established



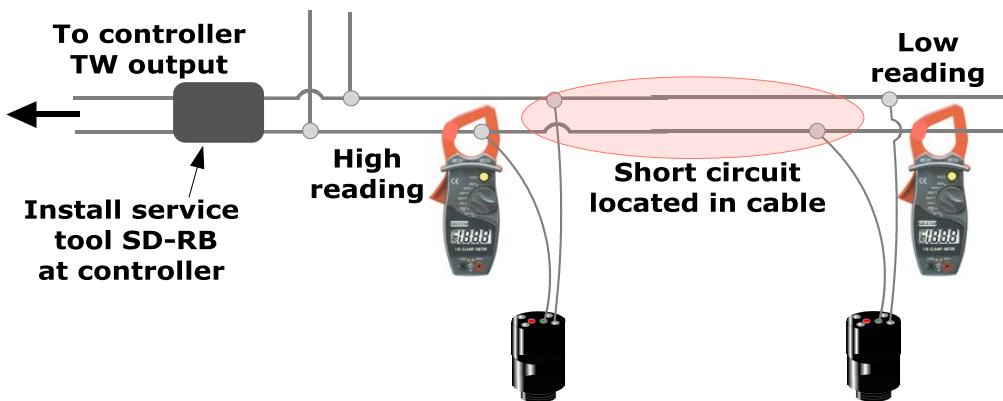
(3)

Test TW Devices within this area for short circuit (high current draw)



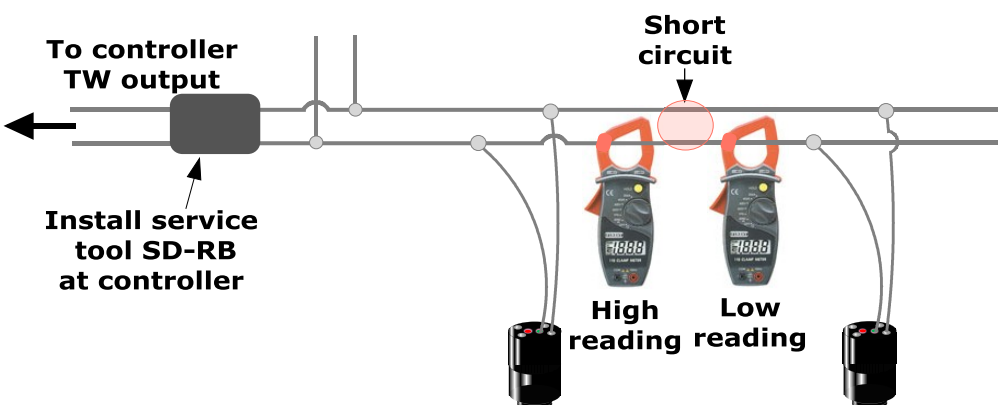
(4)

Test cable again, for high reading. To establish if a short still exists.



(5)

If cable fault exists zero in to the short or call *professional cable test company* for fault location and repair.



Con't

The example shown is typical of a fault finding exercise to locate a short circuit TW Device and/or a cable short circuit.

When the system has been repaired the current draw can be conveniently checked from the controller itself, see **page 36**. Coils and DataNodes in their quiescent mode draw approximately 2mA so the amount of electrical current consumed should approximately coincide with the number of devices connected. Remember to make sure the two-wire is active by pressing any key on the keypad when doing this check.

Fault Finding Chart

Upon initial installation, great care should be taken to avoid grit contamination entering the DataCoil™ plungers. Ensure the system is properly flushed before start-up to avoid dirt/grit contamination of the piping. If a coil malfunctions but it is reporting as on-line with the correct LED indication it is almost certain that the coil plunger is jammed by grit. Remove from the coil, clean the plunger and internal coil chamber and reinstall. It should be noted that fine sand grit can often be difficult to see and only becomes evident by feel.



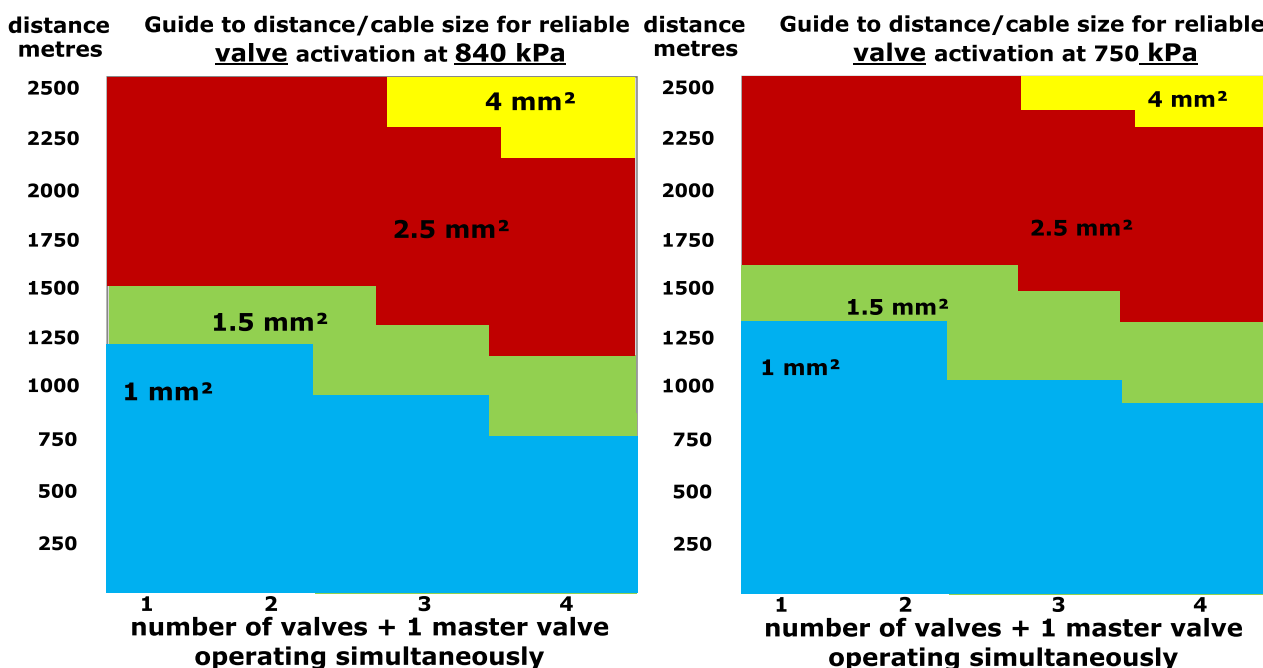
Do not stretch the plunger spring as the coil's electrical efficiency will be reduced.

Controller Red LED is on	Water meter stopped counting	Check water meter output and connections
Controller Red LED is on	Pressure fault, high, skip or low	Rectify hydraulic problem
Controller Red LED is on	Electrical short circuit in two-wire	Trace short circuit
Green LED flashes	System electrical current draw is exceeded beyond 900mA	Check for partial short circuit and all two-wire devices for fault.
No display	Faulty power supply Faulty controller module	Test power supply input, should be 36VDC Observe all PCB module LEDs for correct indication
The controller is erratic in operation or appears to have an intermittent fault.	Loose electrical connections Electrical leakage to earth Power disruptions Electrical, EMI interference Faulty power supply Faulty controller module	Make sure all electrical connections are correctly terminated. Inspect cable connectors Check the controller log for electrical outages. Are there any high voltage electrical switchgear close by? If variable speed pump drives are used they must be installed strictly to the manufactures guidelines. Test the controller power supply. Observe all PCB module LEDs for correct indication

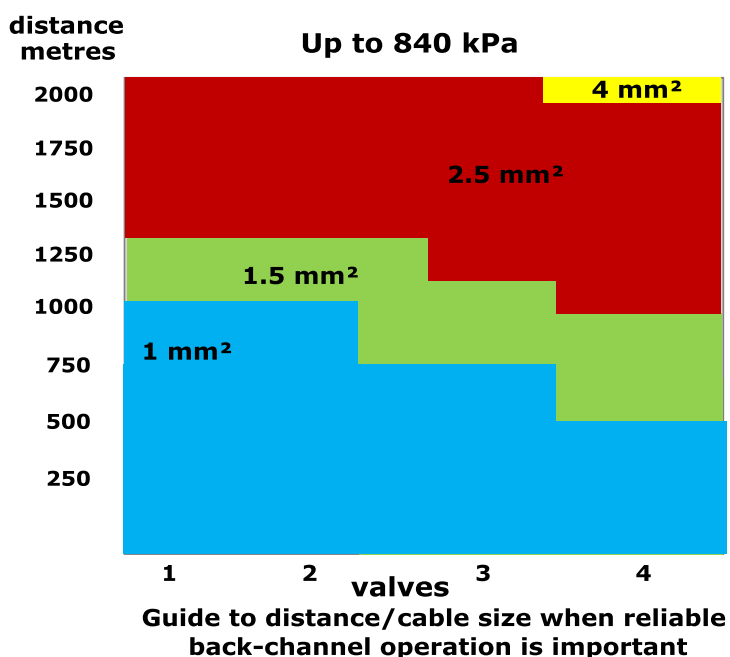
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All valves do not operate but controller seems OK	<p>Not programmed correctly</p> <p>No electrical output</p> <p>Faulty output module</p> <p>Faulty field wiring or connector</p>	<p>Check - rain off, start time, pause, run times and calendar</p> <p>Test for voltage 34VAC output. Make sure the output is active by depressing any key before testing.</p> <p>Ensure the output PCB module LEDs are correctly indicating.</p> <p>View valves on-line at controller to determine if wiring break or faulty field wiring connector.</p>
A valve will not activate	<p>Faulty field wire connector or cable damage</p> <p>Valve not assigned</p> <p>Faulty DataValve</p>	<p>View wiring list at controller, then valves on-line at controller to determine position of cable fault.</p> <p>Check wiring list at controller</p> <p>Inspect valve LED indicators for correct operation.</p>
A valve stays on	<p>Dirt contamination in DataCoil</p> <p>Faulty DataCoil</p>	<p>Unscrew from valve and clean. Care with "O" ring and spring. <u>Do not cross thread or over tighten on valve. Do not stretch the spring</u></p> <p>Inspect valve LED indicators for correct operation</p>
Pump will not start	<p>Faulty PumpNode</p> <p>Test for correct LED PumpNode operation.</p> <p>Incorrect pump-start relay.</p> <p>PumpNode output wiring too long.</p>	<p>View TW Devices "Valves online" menu to check if the PumpNode address is listed as being online.</p> <p>If not listed as online check if the PumpNode LED flashes (controller must be active). If no flash and connections are verified as OK replace the PumpNode.</p> <p>LED "flashes" when the two-wire cable is electrically powered by the controller. LED remains "On" when the pump is activated by the controller</p> <p>Check pump-start 24Volt relay for correct type, relay coil rated at 65mA max. (Omron LY2 recommended). Change relay if necessary.</p> <p>Pump-start relay wiring to PumpNode to be no more than <u>1 metre long</u>. Rewire if necessary.</p>

The model SDS-50 controller has a **maximum capacity** to operate 4 valves at one time with an additional master valve or pump. The charts below are based on model SD-DC DataCoil™



The above charts show the varying degree of performance in relationship to number of valves running, cable size, distance and operating pressure. The tests in the two above charts were performed using actual cable lengths and in workshop test conditions. High resistance and intermittent connections can effect the performance of the back-channel and valve actuation.



This chart should be used for optimal back-channel performance and when water meters are to be connected along the two-wire cable. The chart is based on three water meters connected to the two wire cable operating simultaneously with 5 switch input DataNodes™.

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For optimum performance try and ensure that groups of valves operating at the end of the two-wire cable are split so some operate closer to the controller.

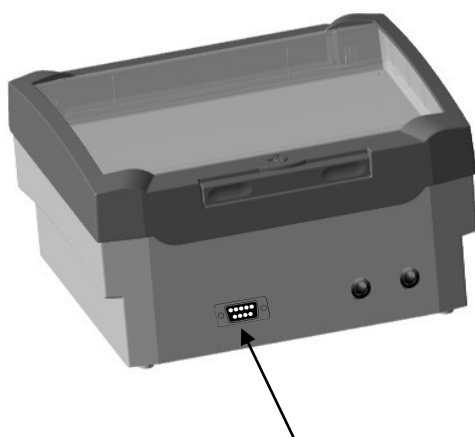
- The controller supports mobile phone Text Commands, SDS Android and SDS iPhone Apps. PC central control via VPN internet connection is supported.
- For the Text commands (page 39) from a mobile phone, no IP address is required at the controller modem. For the Apps and PC control, an IP address is required at the controller and a VPN at the PC and mobile phone.
- The SIM cards for the PC and Apps must support Data and SMS messaging.
- Use SIM card with deactivated PIN number.

Refer to Manual for programming and configuration.

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- For set up of IP address and VPN please contact SD Systems. An instruction manual for this is available in the download section of www.signal.com.au

SDS-50 controller



Connect the modem cable to the serial port at the base of the controller. Connect the Red and Black DC power supply to the +12V (red) and Com (black) on the controller terminal strip.

The SDS-50 controller has been tested and verified with the Maxon Intermox EM770W 3G modem.



Note.

The controller will auto detect and configure for either GSM/3G modem, radio modem or PC at the serial port.

Caution: If the controller is reset to default factory settings at anytime, disconnect and re-connect device to the serial port.

Site Notes
SDS-50

S/N	Site:	Address no:	GSM/3G:
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Stn	Valve/s	Stn	Valve/s
1		25	
2		26	
3		27	
4		28	
5		29	
6		30	
7		31	
8		32	
9		33	
10		34	
11		35	
12		36	
13		37	
14		38	
15		39	
16		40	
17		41	
18		42	
19		43	
20		44	
21		45	
22		46	
23		47	
24		48	

DataNodes

1	
2	
3	
4	
5	
6	
7	
8	
9	
10	
11	
12	

program
 M/ pump
 Aux pump
 No pump

1			
2			
3			
4			
5			
6			
7			
8			

Default pump settings

1-8	49		
1-8		50	

NOTES.

HydroSector Program

program	As HydroSector	Precipitation rate	Moisture pre-set	Tick days on																Tick starts selected			
				S	M	T	W	T	F	S	S	M	T	W	T	F	S	1	2	3	4		
1																							
2																							
3																							
4																							
5																							
6																							
7																							
8																							

Prog.	Total run time	Total litres	Precipitation: mm
1			
2			
3			
4			
5			
6			
7			
8			

HydroSector Master Start times

1.	2.	3.	4.
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