

# **AQUALAB PRE**

### WATER ACTIVITY METER



## Affordable Benchtop Water Activity Repeatable measurements, solid support

The AQUALAB Pre is a robust entry-level water activity meter with stripped down form, not limited function. It uses the same industry-standard primary  $a_{\rm w}$  method you find in the top-of-the-line AQUALAB Series 4TE. The Pre may look basic, but that's because all the good stuff is inside.

#### Minimum maintenance.

The Pre uses the dew point method—a primary measurement of water activity, that eliminates the need for lengthy sensory calibration. Just a quick verification check and you're good to go.

#### Real water activity—FAST.

No need to sacrifice accuracy for speed. Primary dewpoint measurement allows the Pre to deliver top-accuracy readings in 5 minutes or less.

#### Solid repeatability.

Water activity is temperature dependent; measuring at the same temperature every time assures consistency in your readings. The Pre holds the sample at 25 °C so temperature fluctuations won't affect your readings.

#### Reliable accuracy.

The Pre dewpoint method and temperature-stable features mean good agreement between the Pre and the AQUALAB 4TE. Its basic 0.01 a<sub>w</sub> accuracy enables many of our customers to add water activity testing at the line, loading dock, or offsite facility.

#### Dependable support.

The Pre includes AQUALAB's free technical support—food scientists and instrument specialists just a phone call away.

#### Full range.

The Pre lets you measure over the whole range of water activities, 0.05 to 1.00  $a_{\rm w}$ .

### **AQUALAB PRE Specifications**

#### **TECHNICAL SPECIFICATIONS**

Sensor Types a. Chilled-mirror dewpoint

b. Infrared temperature

Accuracy ±0.01 a, dew point

±0.015 a<sub>w</sub> volatiles

Resolution Chilled Mirror: 0.001 a

Range 0.05 to 1.000 a...

Sample Dish Capacity 7.5 ml recommended (15 ml full)

Measurement Time Less than 5 minutes

Display 20 × 2 alphanumeric display

with backlighting

Temperature Control 25°C

Sample Temperature

**Accuracy** 

±0.2 °C

Operating Environment 4 to 50 °C (39.2 to 122 °F)

0 to 90% Relative Humidity

(non-condensing)

Universal Power 110 V to 220 V AC, 50/60 Hz

Less than 0.4 amps

Data Interface RS232A compatible,

8-data bit ASCII code,

9600 baud, no parity, 1 stop bit

Case Dimensions 24.1 × 22.9 × 8.9 cm

Case Material Powder Painted Aluminum

Weight 3.2 kg

Warranty One year, parts & labor

Certifications CE; AOAC Approved Method for

**Measurement of Water Activity** 

#### **FEATURES SUMMARY**

- Accurate ±0.01 a<sub>w</sub>
- Verifiable with independent salt standards
- Repeatable different users, different locations, same result.
- Easy to use precise measurements with minimal training.
- · 1 Year Warranty Period
- Free Technical Support
- Free Application Support over the life of the instrument