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Mobilis DB 8000 UKMO-HX

3m diameter data buoy platform



The DB 8000 UKMO-HX is a meteorological/oceanographic data buoy, which has now been adopted by the UK Met Office as the standard replacement platform for the old 'K' series ODAS buoys. It is capable of carrying a large number of sensors/equipment packages along with a large solar panel array and battery bank.

Based on the Mobilis DB 8000 data buoy platform, it comprises a 3m diameter hull constructed from multiple-section polyethylene floats that are bolted around a central steel structure, with through-hull access for underwater instrumentation and cabling.

The large marine grade aluminium towers of the DB 8000 allow its large equipment payloads to be placed in a protected location. In addition, the meteorological sensors and antennae are mounted within a strong protection ring whilst still allowing exposure to the elements that they are installed to measure. The robust design of the DB 8000 enables it to withstand some of the harshest sea conditrions in the UK and last for long periods without interim servicing.

The UKMO-HX buoy, as shown opposite, contains a meteorological sensor suite measuring wind speed and direction, air temperature, relative humidity, and barometric pressure. It also has an oceanographic sensor suite measuring sea temperature and a spectral wave sensor that outputs wave height, wave period and direction. Data is transmitted ashore using an Iridium satellite communication system.

features:

- UV stabilised MDPE components – retains colour within IALA guidelines for more than 15 years
- Highly suitable for offshore wind farms
- Modular system reduces spares holding
- Can withstand harsh marine environment
- Robust, compact design
- Through-hull access
- Easy to handle and transport
- Modular solar power systems
- Highly stable in operation
- Built-in safety features







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specifications and applications construction **Central Hull Structure** Glass flake painted steel MDPE - min 20mm thick Floats **Tower & Equipment Ring** Marine grade aluminium physical **Hull Diameter mm** 3000 **Total Height mm** 6400 Freeboard (Fully Laden) mm 1000 Draft (Fully Laden) mm 2050 **Focal Height mm** 3800 **Hull Buoyancy Kg** 8000 **Reserve Buoyancy** 5860 (Total Assembly) Kg power system **Solar Panels W** 400 Batteries Ah @ 12v dc weights **Complete Buoy Kg** 2140 application **Offshore**

instrument enclosures through-hull access













Mobilis data buoy platforms

Mobilis data buoy platforms can be tailored to meet user requirements regarding shape, navigation lights, radar reflectors, solar power supplies, monitoring systems, and moorings. Full installation and maintenance services are available. Please contact us for more information.



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