



Comark Instruments

Measuring and monitoring temperature
within healthcare and industry



Why Comark?

Comark's range of thermometers lead the industry

Thermometers and temperature probes, data loggers and pressure meters for a range of applications which include scientific research, pharmaceuticals, public health, horticulture, building management, industrial, H & V and refrigeration.

Whatever your requirements, it's likely that Comark can supply the most appropriate solution. Comark's products support a range of applications including scientific research, pharmaceuticals, public health, horticulture, building managements, industrial and refrigeration.

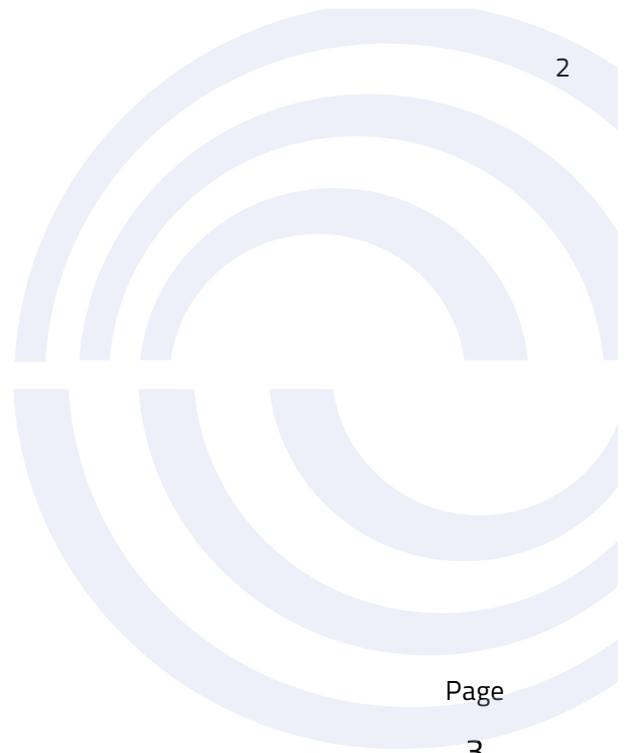
We pride ourselves on delivering a comprehensive product range from hand held instrument and data loggers through to sophisticated wireless monitoring systems which employ ground-breaking technology to achieve unprecedented performance levels in almost any industry application where temperature, humidity or pressure is monitored or checked.

All components are produced from high grade materials and many products now have BioCote® antimicrobial impregnated into their surfaces to provide an extra

line of defence where cross-contamination is a potential hazard.

Comark is certified to ISO 9001 and operates appropriate internal quality management systems. Many instruments are IP rated to classify the degree of protection against dust and water and the CE Mark (usually printed on the back of the instrument) certifies that the product meets European Health and Safety Regulations. If required, a certificate of calibration can be supplied by Comark's own UKAS accredited temperature and humidity calibration laboratory. All of this, plus first class technical service and support, knowledgeable qualified staff, and some fifty plus years' experience delivering the best solutions – that's why you should specify Comark.

All Comark instruments come with a minimum 1 year warranty unless otherwise stated and all comply with appropriate industry standards.



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PROFESSIONAL WIRELESS SYSTEM

RF500 Wireless Temperature and Humidity Monitoring

This system provides effortless 24/7 monitoring of temperature, humidity and door events. Low power RF technology with built-in mesh networking, and transmitters with bi-directional communications offer:

- Accurate, tamper-proof records
- Secure multi-user access to data via the internet at any time
- Alarm notification via email, phone or sms* (*SMS requires 3rd party provider)
- Transmitters that are waterproof and accurate with long battery life
- Compliance with legislative and regulatory requirements
- Plus, it's easy to install, use and maintain

Manual checks on temperature and humidity are a thing of the past.

The RF500A employs a system of transmitters and probes to automatically collect and transmit data to a Gateway unit which manages the system and stores the data.

The RF500A Gateway requires no specialist PC software. It connects directly to the local area network permitting 24/7 single or multi-user access via the internet at any time. The system provides a full audit trail, electronic signatures and data protection to meet the requirements of 21CFR Part 11.

In the event of readings falling outside pre-set limits, alarm notification via screens, SMS, email or voice contact you immediately, so immediate corrective action can be taken.

Advanced features include:

ADR – Automatic Data Retrieval. In the event of a power failure, data is stored in the RF500A transmitter then automatically transmitted to the Gateway as soon as the network is restored, so no data is lost.

Mesh Network – established through powered transmitters.

This enables the system to automatically adjust to any changes in the environment, rerouting signals as required to ensure that the data is always returned to the Gateway.

Transmitters are fully waterproof and include an LCD for instant data display, an LED for local alarm indication and a low battery indicator.

Transmitters

- RF512 has an internal temperature sensor plus connectors for two external thermistor probes and an external door sensor.
- RF513 has integral temperature and humidity sensors and a connector for an external door sensor.
- RF515 has inputs for current and voltage so can be connected to a control loop and programmed to measure an extensive range of parameters.
- RF516 is a precision temperature transmitter with an internal temperature sensor plus connectors for one external PT100 probe and an external door sensor.





RF542

Network logger

- Connect via a port to LAN or WAN anywhere.
- Expand your monitoring system using your existing network.
- The RF500A Gateway hosts any combination of RF500 transmitters. This includes RF542 data logger wired to the network and RF wireless transmitters stationed within radio range of the Gateway.
- 24/7 Email and SMS alerts.
- Temperature Range: -40°C to $+125^{\circ}\text{C}$
- System accuracy with external thermistor : -20°C to $+70^{\circ}\text{C} \pm 0.5^{\circ}\text{C}$

Features:

RF500A Gateway

Channels	Up to 256
Transmitters	Up to 64
Storage capacity	Up to 10 years of storage
RF frequency	2.4 GHz using IEEE 802.15.4
Battery life	1 hour (rechargeable)
Power sources	110-240V adaptor, rechargeable Ni-Mh battery
Clock accuracy	4ppm (2 minutes per year)
Dimensions	L 259mm x W 189mm x H 92mm
Weight	1.3kg

Transmitters – RF512, RF513, RF516

Temperature measurement range

- Internal Thermistor Sensor
RF512, RF516 -30° to 70°C
- Integral Thermistor Sensor
RF513 -30° to 70°C
- External Thermistor Sensor -40° to 125°C
- External Pt100 Sensor -200° to 400°C

System accuracy with standard sensors:

Temperature

- External thermistor: -20°C to $+70^{\circ}\text{C} \pm 0.5^{\circ}\text{C}$
- External thermistor: full range $\pm 1^{\circ}\text{C}$
- Internal thermistor : -20°C to $+70^{\circ}\text{C} \pm 0.5^{\circ}\text{C}$
- PT100: full range $\pm 0.05^{\circ}\text{C}$ plus probe

Humidity

10 to 90% RH $\pm 3\%$

Logging memory

32,000 records

Logging frequency

Programmable between 1 and 60 minutes

Monitoring frequency

1 minute

Battery type

Replaceable Lithium 'C' Cell (Part No RFBATT)

Battery life

Up to 2 years (when used at $23^{\circ}\text{C}/73^{\circ}\text{F}$ room temperature)

Dimensions

L 170mm x W 83mm x H 34mm

Weight

270g



1. Large LCD allows local view of temperature, RH (RF513), and door opening information plus alarms and RF status
2. LEDs for active/alarm indication
3. Antenna
4. Selectable scales $^{\circ}\text{C}$ or $^{\circ}\text{F}$, %RH or DP (RF513)
5. Compact, waterproof case with BioCote® antimicrobial surface protection
6. Door event sensor connector
7. AC/Mains power connector
8. Secure Lumberg connector for probes

See www.comarkinstruments.com for more on the Professional Wireless System

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Comark Instruments is committed to providing quality and affordable products to the food service industry. Our thermometers and humidity testers bring speed, accuracy and reliability to the transport, testing and storing of food under HACCP guidelines. A large variety of products, well-trained staff, and a commitment to customer satisfaction mean you can come to us for answers to all your temperature measurement needs!



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Temperature and Humidity Monitoring

Automated RF500 wireless monitoring with exceptional data integrity
Complete peace of mind



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RF500 System

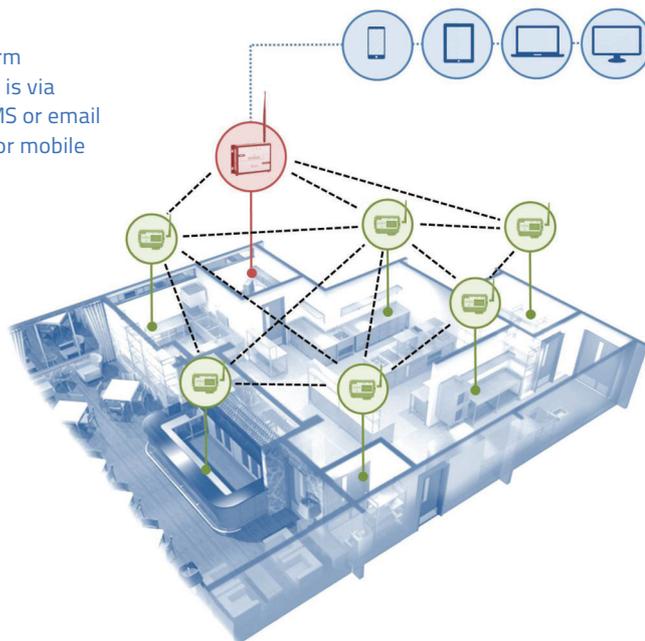
Provides effortless 24/7 monitoring of temperature, humidity door events and other parameters.

Key benefits include:

- Accurate records without compromise
- Secure multi-user access to data via the internet at any time
- Alarm notification via email, phone or SMS*
- Transmitters that are waterproof and accurate, and have a long battery life
- Compliant with legislative and regulatory requirements
- Plus, it's easy to use and maintain

*SMS able via email.

Instant alarm notification is via screens, SMS or email to your PC or mobile device.



The RF500 System

The system achieves unprecedented levels of efficiency and reliability through its use of low-power RF technology with built-in mesh networking, and transmitters with bi-directional communications.

The RF500 Wireless Monitoring System is an accurate, reliable and flexible method of collecting real-time temperature, humidity and door event data. It uses a network of remote sensors and probes to collect and transmit information to a Gateway unit that manages the system and collects and stores the data. The result is efficient and versatile round-the-clock monitoring for just about any industry.

Advanced features include:

ADR – Automatic Data Retrieval. In the event of a power failure, data is stored in the RF500 transmitter then automatically transmitted to the Gateway as soon as the network is restored, resulting in continuous data.

Mesh Network – established through powered transmitters. This enables the system to automatically adjust to any changes in the environment, rerouting signals as required to ensure that the data is always returned to the Gateway.

Manual checks on temperature and humidity are a thing of the past. The RF500 does it automatically, reducing labour costs, eliminating errors and ensuring complete records are maintained in accordance with regulatory requirements.

In the event of readings falling outside pre-set limits, alarm notification via screens, SMS*, email or voice allows immediate corrective action to be taken. This can make all the difference in terms of saving your product and protecting your reputation.

The RF500 answers market demands for a quick, reliable system which is easy to understand and operate but can just as easily be reconfigured or expanded in line with changing needs.

The above schematic shows an example of RF500 mesh network. In the event of signals being blocked to or from a specific route, RF500 Transmitters automatically seek an alternative route across the mesh network.



Viewing Data

The powerful RF500A Gateway unit requires no specialist PC software. This compact unit has solid state memory via two SD cards. In the event of failure, data is protected as information is backed-up automatically between the two. There is no hard drive and no fan so there are fewer components to wear out. The RF500A has low power consumption, an important consideration in any industry and the RF500AP provides the option of power over Ethernet or mains. The Gateway connects directly to the local area network, permitting 24/7 single or multi-user access via the internet.

Programming or data access is achieved via a PC, smart phone or tablet from any location. Multi-user access can be controlled via built-in safeguards configured to ensure that staff only have access to information relevant to their needs and can only make changes deemed appropriate by the system administrator. There are no hidden charges for licences and there is no limit on the number of users – you dictate how many or how few people have access.

With a full audit trail, electronic signatures and data protection to meet the requirements of 21CFR Part 11, RF500 is ideal for any high security application where protection of your products and good name is paramount. Rapid identification and notification of alarm conditions provides all the necessary assurances for due diligence and HACCP procedures.



Applications

The RF500 system is suitable for use in any industry where specific temperature or humidity levels need to be maintained and monitored so products are stored and systems are operated at optimum levels for safety and energy efficiency.

Ideal for monitoring:

- Fridges and freezers
- Coolers, chillers and cold stores
- Warehousing, distribution and transport
- Storage areas for drugs or vaccines
- Incubators and test chambers
- Perishable goods such as blood products and costly test reagents

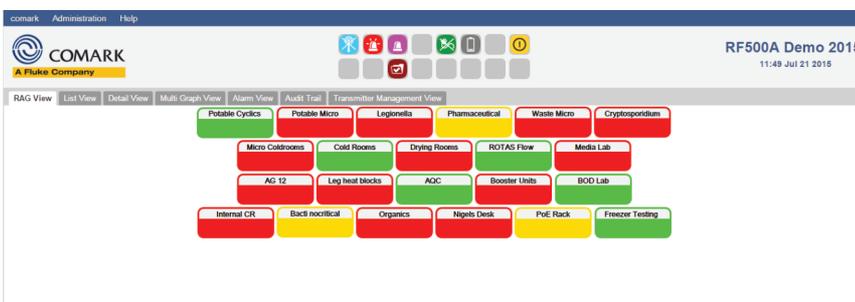
Practical functionality allows you to:

- Stop and start logging
- View or program tasks
- View data as graphs or tables and toggle between the two
- View events for a selected day
- Filter data to produce audit trails
- Print reports in graphical or tabular formats
- Task and period data from individual transmitters can be exported for reports



RF500 Software

See at a glance how your wireless monitoring system is performing
 Monitor alarm events and easily produce graphs, reports and audit trails



RAG Screen

Red, amber and green indicator screen helps you to immediately see where temperatures are within set limits and also those requiring attention or in alarm.

Alarm View

Further investigation of alarm groups can be undertaken using the alarm view to get a breakdown by transmitter to pin-point where remedial action should be focussed.

Serial Number	Alarm Group	Description	Alarm Status	Repeat Alarm Period	Action	Channel	Status	Channel Name	Next Repeat
BE02060003	Comark Demo	Office Tx	Repeat Alarm Off		Ack/Snooze	Ext1	PT100	Ext	
CO04110030	Comark Demo	Ambient Temp RH	Repeat Alarm Off		Ack/Snooze	Ext1	Humidity	Ext2	Temperature
CA00070089	Comark Demo	Ambient	Repeat Alarm Off		Ack/Snooze	Int	Internal	Internal	
BA05060005	Comark Demo	Ambient	5 Minutes		Ack/Snooze	Int	Internal	External 1	21 Jul 2015 11:47



List View

See each transmitter listed and get an overview of maximum and minimum temperatures plus a mini graph showing performance.

Detail View

Using detail view allows you to study the temperature or humidity readings of a particular transmitter over a set period of time



Multi-Graph

The multi-graph function saves the set-up for future graphing.

These can be created for specific days, weeks, months or years so data from several areas can be compared and monitored.



RF500A Tabular Data Report

21 Jul 2015 11:41

Transmitter Task Name:	Office Tx	Gateway Name:	RF500A Demo 2015
Task No:	2 of 2	Gateway Serial No:	06110001
Created:	07 Jul 2015 08:45	Gateway Software:	Serial No. 06110001 / Issue-M9 / FW-1.00
Starting Alarm Group:	Comark Demo	Transmitter Serial No:	BE02060003
Current Alarm Group:	Comark Demo	Model:	RF516
Report Date Request:	21 Jul 2015	Transmitter Firmware:	3.0.DRPF1.1R
Report Date From:	21 Jul 2015 00:00	Period No:	1 of 1
Report Date To:	21 Jul 2015 11:20	Start Time:	07 Jul 2015 08:47
		End Time:	Current Period

Date/Time	INT 1 Internal	EXT 1 PT100 Ext
21 Jul 2015 00:00	24.2°C	24.53°C
21 Jul 2015 00:01	24.2°C	24.52°C
21 Jul 2015 00:02	24.2°C	24.52°C
21 Jul 2015 00:03	24.2°C	24.52°C
21 Jul 2015 00:04	24.2°C	24.50°C
21 Jul 2015 00:05	24.2°C	24.50°C
21 Jul 2015 00:06	24.2°C	24.50°C
21 Jul 2015 00:07	24.2°C	24.49°C
21 Jul 2015 00:08	24.2°C	24.49°C
21 Jul 2015 00:09	24.2°C	24.49°C
21 Jul 2015 00:10	24.2°C	24.48°C
21 Jul 2015 00:11	24.2°C	24.49°C
21 Jul 2015 00:12	24.2°C	24.47°C
21 Jul 2015 00:13	24.2°C	24.47°C
21 Jul 2015 00:14	24.2°C	24.47°C
21 Jul 2015 00:15	24.2°C	24.45°C
21 Jul 2015 00:16	24.2°C	24.44°C
21 Jul 2015 00:17	24.2°C	24.44°C
21 Jul 2015 00:18	24.2°C	24.45°C

Tabular Report

Produce tabular reports to print.

RF500 in Action

Case studies from our industry partners

Case Study: Healthcare

NHS Scotland Teaching Hospital

900-bed hospital
Service solution: RF500A Wireless Temperature Monitoring
Project size: 120 Transmitters

Solution

After reviewing its options, the hospital installed Comark's RF500A solution across its temperature-critical points, including laboratories, refrigerators, freezers, deep freezers, cabinets, appliances, rooms, incubators and other areas. The RF500A wireless monitoring system automatically and continuously monitors both temperature and humidity readings. It is highly flexible

and can be configured to meet the needs of a multi-fixture, multi-site organisation right down to one freezer. When the system identifies a predetermined change in those levels, it alerts key staff in real time via email, text message, or voice to computers, smart phones, and other mobile devices.

Comark's RF500A solution exceeds the requirements of regulatory bodies, reduces errors, provides an audit trail and ensures complete records are maintained. Its robust, feature-rich software also enables instant access to data that takes new standards and regulations into account.

And because it's a web-based system, the hospital no longer had to worry about the performance of one computer. If the user has authorised rights, temperature data can now be accessed from any computer within the hospital and remotely to view live data and temperature events.



Benefits

- The hospital now operates with more confidence over its temperature-monitoring system.
- The Comark solution sends an alert, for example, when the temperature in a refrigerator begins to rise because the door is not closed properly so staff respond in a timely manner that follows the hospital's own set of processes and protocol.
- Comark's ability to calibrate the temperature-monitoring probes has proved to be a crucial business benefit to the hospital.
- Protection of temperature sensitive stock and laboratory samples. The hospital had previously lost stock when a large refrigerator malfunctioned as they could not guarantee the safety of stored products.

Case Study: Food

Food Manufacturing Company

Sauce Production Line
Service solution: RF500 Wireless Temperature Monitoring

Solution

The company needed to be able to prove to the British Retail Consortium (BRC) that its cooking cycles had been completed correctly.

Historically, this was done by manually recording temperatures from chart recorders or other devices and maintaining written records. The company also wanted to monitor temperatures in their chilled storage warehouse.

The RF500 system supplied can be programmed to provide independently variable logging rates for each individual transmitter, in line with the task being carried out. The single coordinated system has answered all the customer's needs, including compliance with the company's criteria which required 100% reliability in terms of logging rates and accuracy. The customer is also satisfied that all the data captured will stand up to scrutiny.

Benefits

- The ability to show that products have been cooked in accordance with customer's instructions.
- Meets all data requirements for BRC auditing
- Automated and consistent record-keeping with little risk of human error



SPECIFICATIONS

RF500A Gateway

Channels	Up to 256
Transmitters	Up to 64
Storage capacity	Up to 10 years of storage
RF frequency	2.4 GHz using IEEE 802.15.4
Battery life	1 hour back up in the event of mains failure
Power sources	110-240V adaptor, rechargeable Ni-Mh battery
Clock accuracy	4ppm (2 minutes per year)
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System accuracy with standard sensors:	
Temperature	
External thermistor	-20°C to +70°C ±0.5°C
External thermistor	full range ±1°C
Internal thermistor	-20°C to +70°C ±0.5°C
PT100	full range ±0.05°C plus probe
Humidity	10 to 90% RH ±3% RH
Logging memory	32,000 records
Logging frequency	Programmable between 1 and 60 minutes
Monitoring frequency	1 minute
Battery type	Replaceable Lithium 'C' Cell (Part No RFBATT)
Battery life	Up to 2 years when used at 23°C/73°F (room temperature)
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For a list of suitable probes and accessories, please see www.comarkinstruments.com	



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Support Service

With our team of experts, we are proud to offer a nationwide personal onsite installation and calibration service.

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