



Surface Water Level  
Stream Gauging  
Flood Warning  
Hydropower  
Storm Water  
Lake & Reservoir  
Tide Monitoring  
Tsunami Warning  
Groudwater Level  
Aquifer Characterization  
Mining  
Hydro Fracturing  
Drinking Water  
Recharge  
Dam Seepage

## Ceramic capacitive pressure probe

Pressure probe / level probe with built-in temperature sensor

**Relative pressure probe with air capillary used to compensate for changes in barometric pressure**

**High accuracy, ruggedness, and long-term stability**

**Built-in microcontroller – compensates for temperature effects and takes into account specific correction values, e.g. density**

**Robust probe lead with Kevlar core for length stabilization and internal compensating capillary**

**Rugged design: waterproof molded electronics (IP68 rated) and enclosure made of high-quality saltwater resistant steel**

**Optimized resolution is achieved by assigning the 4 ... 20 mA to that part of the measuring range that is actually required**

### Rugged and Precise

The OTT PLS is equipped with a rugged, ceramic capacitive measuring cell. The robust ceramic cell offers industry-leading accuracy and does not deform over time like membrane technology, providing long-term measurement stability. The probe housing consists of high-quality saltwater resistant steel for reliable use in harsh environments.

### Simple Interfacing

Standard communication outputs (SDI-12 or 4 ... 20mA) for simple and flexible connection to external dataloggers.

### Compensated

Built-in microcontroller compensates for temperature effects and applies correction values for gravitational acceleration and water density.

The vented pressure probe, automatically compensates for changes in barometric pressure.

# Technical Specifications

|                                    | Feature   | Value   |
|------------------------------------|---|---|
| WATER LEVEL MEASUREMENT (PRESSURE) | Measuring range                                 | 0 ... 4 m, 0 ... 10 m, 0 ... 20 m, 0 ... 40 m, 0 ... 100 m water column   |
|                                    | Resolution (SDI-12)                             | 0.001 m; 0.1 cm; 0.01 ft; 0.1 mbar; 0.001 psi   |
|                                    | Accuracy (linearity and hysteresis) SDI-12      | ±0.05 % FS;<br>measuring range: 0 ... 4 m, 0 ... 10 m;<br>water column: Accuracy for ≤ 10 ft. (3m): ±0.01 ft;<br>meets USGS OSW requirements for accuracy |
|                                    | Accuracy (linearity and hysteresis) 4 ... 20 mA | ≤ ±0.1 % FS<br>10 ppm/°C at 20 °C   |
|                                    | Long-term stability (linearity and hysteresis)  | ≤ ±0.1 % / year FS  |
|                                    | Zero point drift                                | ≤ ±0.1 % FS   |
|                                    | Temperature-compensated operating range         | -5 °C ... +45 °C (ice-free)   |
|                                    | Units   | cm, m, ft, mbar, psi  |
| TEMPERATURE MEASUREMENT            | Measuring range                                 | -25 °C ... +70 °C   |
|                                    | Resolution                                      | 0.1 °C / 0.1 °F   |
|                                    | Accuracy  | ±0.5 °C / ±0.9 °F   |
|                                    | Units   | °C, °F  |
|                                    | Pressure sensor (capacitive pressure sensor)    | Ceramic<br>Temperature compensated<br>Overload safe for up to 5 times the measuring range without permanent mechanical damage                             |
|                                    | Temperature sensor                              | NTC temperature sensor  |
| INTERFACE                          | Available interfaces (use as required)          | 4 ... 20 mA, SDI-12, RS-485 (via SDI-12 protocol)   |
| ELECTRICAL DATA                    | Supply voltage                                  | +9.6 ... +28 V DC, typ. 12/24 V DC  |
|                                    | Power consumption (SDI-12) Sleep                | < 600 µA  |
|                                    | Power consumption (SDI-12) Active               | < 4 mA  |
|                                    | Reaction time                                   | After power-on, the measured value is steady and ready for output <1s   |
| DIMENSIONS AND WEIGHT              | Dimensions L x Ø                                | 195 mm x 22 mm  |
|                                    | Weight  | approx. 0.3 kg  |
| INTERFACE CABLE LENGTHS            | SDI-12  | 1 ... 100 m   |
|                                    | SDI-12 via RS-485                               | 1 ... 1000 m  |
|                                    | 4 ... 20 mA                                     | 1 ... 1000 m  |
| ENVIRONMENTAL CONDITIONS           | Operating temperature                           | -25 °C ... +70 °C   |
|                                    | Storage temperature:                            | -40 °C ... +85 °C   |
|                                    | Protection type                                 | P68   |
| MATERIALS                          | Housing   | POM, Stainless steel 1.4539 (904L), resistant to sea water  |
|                                    | Seals   | Viton   |
|                                    | Cable jacket                                    | PUR   |
|                                    | Mechanical strength                             | Meets the mechanical shock tests of IEC 68-2-32   |
| EMC/EMI AND NORMS                  | EMC limits                                      | EN 61000-4-2/3/4/5/6 and<br>EN 61000-6-3 Class B are adhered to <b>CE</b>   |