

Subsea Construction Transponder

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MPT 341 "Shorty" series

Multifunction Positioning Transponder

Deep water use - 4000 m rated

Introduction

The medium frequency MPT 341 "Shorty" series transponders design, are based on the standard Kongsberg Maritime MPT transponder. This is a transponder for shorter duration subsea jobs, like subsea construction applications - small size, light weight, but full MPT capability. The transponders are to be used with the following underwater positioning and navigation systems:

- HiPAP system
- · HPR series

All the MPT 341 transponders will, on interrogation, reply with a single- or a multi-pulse response. This reply contains different information for use by the HiPAP / HPR system, depending on the application.

Basic transponder

The basic transponder is the MPT 341/DTSxDuB transponder. This is a Multifunction Positioning Transponder, with depth / temperature sensors. It is a short unit, with aluminium housing, and is 4000-m depth rated. The transponder has SSBL, LBL and telemetry functions. The transponder works as a dual beam transponder, and is equipped with one vertical and one horizontal transducer. The array calibration and Metrology are performed using a "doughnut-shaped" beam. When the calibration is completed, this beam is switched off, and the transponder is then operating in the position mode, with a $\pm 15^{\circ}$ beamwidth upwards.

The basic MPT 341/DTSxDuB transponder can be field-rebuilt to contain:

- Serial interface
- Release
- Split transducer-head

These options are not included in the basic transponder.



Available kits

Serial interface

This kit includes a computer handling up to 4 external subsea sensors, using serial lines (RS-232). This transponder together with a HiPAP / HPR system, makes it possible for the operator to read the subsea sensors data. Some sensor types are pre-defined in a library, other types can be defined by the user (generic). The system configuration and test can be carried out prior to transponder deployment via one serial line, using a portable PC.

Release

This kit includes a release mechanism.

Split transducer-head

This kit allows the transducer to be separated from the transponder body. An underwater cable of 5 m length is included.

Specifications

Naming principles

The transponder name contains three letters followed by three digits, and the letters after the digits describes the options.

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3xx30 kHz band

4000 meter depth rated x4x

±15° beam width xx1

Built-in Depth and Temperature sensors DT

Includes Release mechanism R

S Split transducer-head

Short tube $\mathbf{S}\mathbf{x}$

DuB

Si Serial interface Dual Beam,

±15° upwards and horizontal "doughnut"

Models - relevant combinations

MPT 341/DTSxDuB	(Basic)
MPT 341/DTSSxDuB	(Basic + Split kit)
MPT 341/DTSiSxDuB	(Basic + Serial interface kit)
MPT 341/DTRSxDuB	(Basic + Release kit)

Basic data

Maximum depth rating	4000 m
Housing material	Aluminium
Coating	Polyurethane
Weight in air / water	24 - 32 kg / 10 - 15 kg

Outside diameter

-	Housing	148 mm
-	Flange	200 mm

Overall length

-	MPT 341/DTSSxDuB	600 mm
-	MPT 341/DTSiSxDuB	1020 mm
-	MPT 341/DTRSxDuB	1185 mm
C	onnectors	Subconn

DT sensor (built-in)

- Depth resolution	0.1 m
- Depth accuracy (FS)	< 0.1%
Temperature range	5 deg to + 30 deg

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- Temp resolution	0.1 deg

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-	Temp accuracy	0.2 deg	

MF channels (30 kHz band)

HiPAP / HPR 400	56 channels
HPR 300	14 channels

Battery

Type A10/36 (8/26)	Alkaline
	(can be air freighted)
Reg no.	290-219964
Number of replies (max)	300.000 pings
Quiescent time	50 days
Max. continuous on-time	12 days
Max. continuous on-time w/serial line	eapprox. 4 days

Transducer

(vertical and horizontal)	+/- 15 deg
Source level (vertical / horizontal) - 4 steps	206 / 190 dB
Rx sensitivity:	

- Vertical	- 2	steps	100	/	106	dΒ
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Serial interface

Number of sensors	4 external
Electrical	Serial line (RS-232)

Sensor types

Library

• Generic

Acoustic telemetry link

Can handle 3 sensors from a pre-defined library, or 3 generic sensors (floating-point numbers) in one telemetry message.

Data transfer speed	.up	to 48	bit/	sec
Update time (depending on depth)		. min.	15	sec

Release unit

R	elease:	1ift	/ buoyancy	max.	250 k	σ

Floating collar

Depth rating	4000 m
Total weight in air	62 kg
Total buoyancy in water	30 kg
Overall height	520 mm
Colour	Orange

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