MDAS

Set 19(analogue), 19D(digital) Windspeed Instrument

Introduction

The Midas wind speed indicator is a precision marine instrument designed not only for sailing and racing but is also, due to the anemometer's more robust features, aptly suitable for onshore or inland installations subject to consistent and higher wind speeds. It provides an indication of apparent wind speed in either an analogue (Set 19), or a digital (Set 19D) unit. Raw data on wind speed is obtained from a remote transducer usually mounted at the head of the mast or other location where wind currents are not affected by other objects or constructions.

Midas Marine Instruments are designed and manufactured for use in yachts and pleasure launches; they are sold with a 24 month guarantee from the date of purchase.

Specification

Se	et 19 analogue indicator: Range: 0-60 knots (0-11 Beaufort) Resolution: essentially infinite Accuracy: <+/- 4% Supply voltage: 11.5-16V DC regulated Current drain: (Instrument) 10mA max. (Backlighting) 50mA max.
Se	et 19D digital indicator: Range: 0-99.9 knots (3 digit) Accuracy: <+/- 4% of reading +/- 0.05 knots Supply voltage: 11.5-16V DC regulated Current drain: (Instrument) 15mA max. (Backlighting) 50mA max.

The performance of any instrument depends upon:

The selection of an instrument suitable for the intended use The quality of its design and manufacture The standard of workmanship and quality of components used in the installation The environment into which it has been installed

Midas instruments are not difficult to install or set up, and providing some simple rules are followed during installation, excellent performance will be obtained from the instrument.

Fitting the instrument

The instrument case can be mounted by cutting a 105mm hole in a bulkhead or console and sealing it into place with a bead of silicone rubber on the back of the front flange. The instrument may then be secured using the supplied stainless self-tapping screws or bolted if desired. <u>Note</u>: although all our instruments are waterproof in front, care should be exercised when selecting the location so that moisture can not enter the rear of the instrument.

Fitting the Masthead Unit

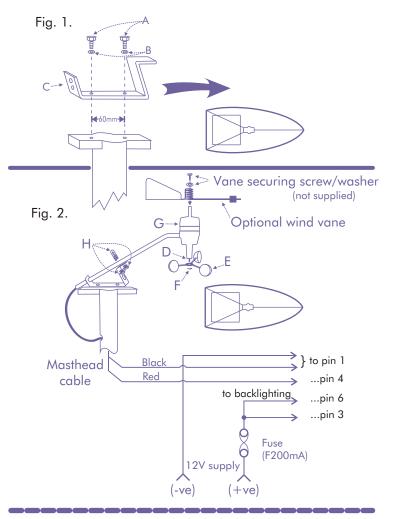
The wind transducer has been designed for masthead mounting as illustrated in Figures 1 & 2. In order to fit the unit, position the transducer bracket (C) so that the "Z" bend points forward ((preferable placement) refer Fig 1), or aft. Determine the two fixing points on the masthead and after checking that they are 60mm apart, use a 5mm drill to make the two holes. Tap out the holes using a 1/4WW or 6mm thread tap. Ensure that the metal of the masthead is of adequate thickness to provide a secure fix. The bracket should then be secured with 1/4WW or 6mm bolts (A) and washers (B) (neither supplied) as appropriate. Slide the rotor (E) on to the anemometer hex shaft (D), and fit the clip (F) into the groove below the rotor. Note ... the rotational direction of the cups is important so the rotor must be fitted such that it rotates in a clockwise direction when viewed from below(locate the small rectangular hollow near the centre hexagonal hole and point this downward). Fit the anemometer (G) to bracket (C) as shown in Fig 2. Use the U-bolt (H) to secure the unit in position. DO NOT over tighten the U-bolt nuts. Thread the cable through the mast as appropriate. Note: When removing the masthead unit for servicing, cut the cable between the mast entry and anemometer, and waterproof the cable ends to prevent water inaress. When refitting the masthead unit, use either a water-proofed solder joint, or an inline plug/socket rated at IP68.

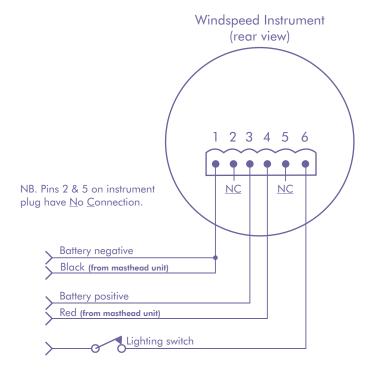
Electrical Connections

Wire the installation in accordance with the circuit diagram. DO NOT make the final battery connections until all the wiring has been rechecked. The connector wires should be tinned copper about 14x0.2mm, 7x0.3mm or 0.5sq mm conductor to provide greater resistance to corrosion. Cables larger than this are not recommended as they are difficult to terminate on the plug. Note: the plug can be removed from the back of the instrument for easier termination, then refitted. The wires can be brought out the back through the knock-out in the back cover, or by drilling a hole at the desired point.

The instrument utilises LED backlighting drawing approx 20mA. The light circuit could be connected to an existing lighting circuit, the navigation lighting circuit, or the instrument power circuit (i.e. link pins 3 & 6). Lightly spray or grease all connections with a waterproof grease or petroleum jelly.

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MIDAS Set S19(D) wiring diagram