

Product Environmental Profile

TAC I/A Series MicroNet Sensors



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Product overview

The main purpose of the TAC I/ASeries MicroNet Sensor is to measure room temperature conditions and relay the information to a Variable Air Volume (VAV) Controller via the S-Link communications interface. The product is designed for use with the MicroNet 2000 VAV Controllers. Once the sensor is connected to a MicroNet controller it is considered a stand-alone digital temperature control component.

This range consists of: Digital wall mount sensors with or with out LCD display, equipped with a precision thermistor (for accurate room sensing), plug-in communication jack for connecting to the VAV Controller. The representative product used for the analysis is MN-S3.

The environmental impacts of this referenced product are representative of the impacts of the other products of the range which are developed with a similar technology.

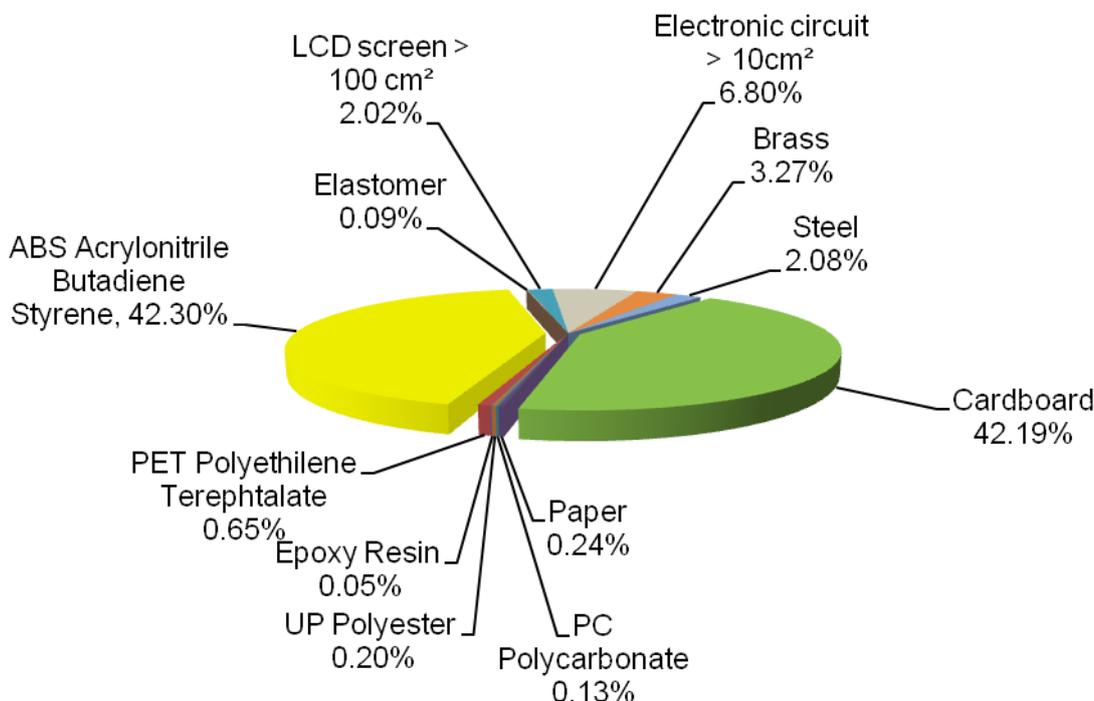
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Constituent materials

The mass of the product range is from 200 g and 263g including packaging. It is 263 g for the MN-S3. The constituent materials are distributed as follows:



Substance assessment

Products of this range are designed in conformity with the requirements of the RoHS directive (European Directive 2002/95/EC of 27 January 2003) and do not contain, or only contain in the authorised proportions, lead, mercury, cadmium, hexavalent chromium or flame retardants (polybrominated biphenyls - PBB, polybrominated diphenyl ethers - PBDE) as mentioned in the Directive

Manufacturing

The TAC I/A Series MicroNet Sensor product range is manufactured at a Schneider Electric production site on which an ISO14001 certified environmental management system has been established.

Distribution

The weight and volume of the packaging have been optimized, based on the European Union's packaging directive.

The MN-S3 packaging weight is 113.23 g. It consists of Cardboard (112.6 g), Paper (.63 g) and PTE (1.57 g)

The weight gain of the packaging is 44%.

The weight of recycled materials used is 50% - 80% of total packaging mass.

The product distribution flows are optimized by Schneider Electric's production site in Loves Park, Illinois USA which is set up as a distribution centre to serve international and local market areas.

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Use

The products of the TAC I/A Series MicroNet Sensor range do not generate environmental pollution (noise, emissions) requiring special precautionary measures in standard use.

The electrical power consumption depends on the conditions under which the product is implemented and used. The electrical power consumed by the TAC I/A Series MicroNet Sensor range is between 0.01W and 0.5 W. It is 0.5 W in active mode and 0% in standby mode for the referenced MN-S3.

End of life

At end of life, the products in the TAC I/A Series MicroNet Sensor have been optimized to decrease the amount of waste and allow recovery of the product components and materials.

This product range doesn't need any special end-of-life treatment. According to countries' practices this product can enter the usual end-of-life treatment process.

The recyclability potential of the products has been evaluated using the "ECO-DEEE recyclability and recoverability calculation method" (version V1, 20 Sep. 2008 presented to the French Agency for Environment and Energy Management: ADEME).

According to this method, the potential recyclability ratio is: 36%.

As described in the recyclability calculation method this ratio includes only metals and plastics which have proven industrial recycling processes.

Environmental impacts

Life cycle assessment has been performed on the following life cycle phases: Materials and Manufacturing (M), Distribution (D), Installation (I) Use (U), and End of life (E).

Modeling hypothesis and method:

- the calculation was performed on the MN-S3.

- product packaging: is included

- Installation components: no special components included

- scenario for the Use phase: this product range is included in the category energy using product: (assumed service life is 10 years and use scenario is: 0.5W in the active mode and it is in the active mode for 100% of the time.

The electrical power model used for calculation is European model.

- This equipment do not require any special maintenance operations

End of life impacts are based on a worst case transport distance to the recycling plant (1000km)

The environmental impacts are representative to a European scenario. The impacts of the manufacturing phase are valid for all geographic areas. Impacts of the Distribution, Use and End of Life may vary according to the country of use of the product.

Presentation of the product environmental impacts

Environmental indicators	Unit	For MN-S3 Temperature Sensors					
		S = M + D + I + U + E	M	D	I	U	E
Raw Material Depletion	Y-1	2.05E-14	2.00E-14	4.24E-19	0	5.69E-16	5.36E-19
Energy Depletion	MJ	5.31E+02	2.86E+01	3.11E-01	0	5.01E+02	3.93E-01
Water depletion	dm ³	8.65E+01	1.39E+01	2.95E-02	0	7.25E+01	3.73E-02
Global Warming	g≈CO ₂	2.67E+04	1.38E+03	2.46E+01	0	2.53E+04	3.11E+01
Ozone Depletion	g≈CFC-11	1.60E-03	1.88E-04	1.74E-05	0	1.37E-03	2.20E-05
Air Toxicity	m ³	4.58E+06	3.69E+05	4.64E+03	0	4.20E+06	5.86E+03
Photochemical Ozone Creation	g≈C ₂ H ₄	9.37E+00	7.52E-01	2.10E-02	0	8.57E+00	2.66E-02
Air acidification	g≈H ⁺	3.67E+00	2.45E-01	3.14E-03	0	3.42E+00	3.97E-03
Water Toxicity	dm ³	7.82E+03	5.88E+02	3.08E+00	0	7.22E+03	3.89E+00
Water Eutrophication	g≈PO ₄	2.98E-01	2.38E-01	4.09E-04	0	5.95E-02	5.17E-04
Hazardous waste production	kg	4.70E-01	5.00E-02	9.15E-06	0	4.20E-01	1.16E-05

Life cycle assessment has been performed with the EIME software (Environmental Impact and Management Explorer), version 4.1, and with its database version 11.

The Use phase is the life cycle phase which has the greatest impact on the majority of environmental indicators.

According to this environmental analysis, proportionality rules may be used to evaluate the impacts of other products of this range. Depending on the impact analysis, the environmental indicators (without RMD) of the other products in this family may be proportional extrapolated by energy consumption values. For RMD, impact may be proportional extrapolated by the mass of the products.

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System approach

As the products of the range are designed in accordance with the RoHS Directive (European Directive 2002/95/EC of 27 January 2003), they can be incorporated without any restriction in an assembly or an installation subject to this Directive.

Please note that the values given above are only valid within the context specified and cannot be used directly to draw up the environmental assessment of an installation.

Glossary

Raw Material Depletion (RMD)	This indicator quantifies the consumption of raw materials during the life cycle of the product. It is expressed as the fraction of natural resources that disappear each year, with respect to all the annual reserves of the material.
Energy Depletion (ED)	This indicator gives the quantity of energy consumed, whether it be from fossil, hydroelectric, nuclear or other sources. This indicator takes into account the energy from the material produced during combustion. It is expressed in MJ.
Water Depletion (WD)	This indicator calculates the volume of water consumed, including drinking water and water from industrial sources. It is expressed in dm ³ .
Global Warming (GW)	The global warming of the planet is the result of the increase in the greenhouse effect due to the sunlight reflected by the earth's surface being absorbed by certain gases known as "greenhouse-effect" gases. The effect is quantified in gram equivalent of CO ₂ .
Ozone Depletion (OD)	This indicator defines the contribution to the phenomenon of the disappearance of the stratospheric ozone layer due to the emission of certain specific gases. The effect is expressed in gram equivalent of CFC-11.
Air Toxicity (AT)	This indicator represents the air toxicity in a human environment. It takes into account the usually accepted concentrations for several gases in the air and the quantity of gas released over the life cycle. The indication given corresponds to the air volume needed to dilute these gases down to acceptable concentrations.
Photochemical Ozone Creation (POC)	This indicator quantifies the contribution to the "smog" phenomenon (the photochemical oxidation of certain gases which generates ozone) and is expressed in gram equivalent of ethylene (C ₂ H ₄).
Air Acidification (AA)	The acid substances present in the atmosphere are carried by rain. A high level of acidity in the rain can cause damage to forests. The contribution of acidification is calculated using the acidification potentials of the substances concerned and is expressed in mode equivalent of H ⁺ .
Water Toxicity (WT)	This indicator represents the water toxicity. It takes into account the usually accepted concentrations for several substances in water and the quantity of substances released over the life cycle. The indication given corresponds to the water volume needed to dilute these substances down to acceptable concentrations.
Hazardous Waste Production (HWP)	This indicator calculates the quantity of specially treated waste created during all the life cycle phases (manufacturing, distribution and utilization). For example, special industrial waste in the manufacturing phase, waste associated with the production of electrical power, etc. It is expressed in kg.

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