SIWAREX WP231
Flexible weighing module for S7-1200 and stand-alone operation

Calibrating SIWAREX WP231 with SIWATOOL V7

Quick Guide

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For modules with order number 7MH4960-2AA01

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Introduction

SIWAREX WP231 is a calibratable (in preparation) and versatile weighing electronics for a seamless integration into SIEMENS SIMATIC S7-1200 systems or as a stand alone solution.

Purpose of this document for functional safety

This manual helps to carry out a fast commissioning of the weighing module. For further details please refer to the SIWAREX WP231 manual.

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Validation of this document

This documentation is only valid in conjunction with the manual SIWAREX WP231. This manual is available online in the Siemens Techsupport:

Goal of the calibration

Inside the SIWAREX WP231 the milli-volt signal from the load cells are converted into a digital value (digits). The aim of the calibration is the transformation of the digits into a valid weight value.
1 Hardware Requirements

Following hard- and software is required to integrate a scale into a SIMATIC S7-1200 system: 24V Power supply, SIWAREX WP231, SIWATOOL WP231 software, RJ 45 cable, computer with Windows XP or higher and a calibration weight. This weight must be bigger than 5% of the nominal load of the connected scale (→ a scale with a nominal load of 2000kg needs to be calibrated with an adjustment weight of 100kg at least).

Panel with Ethernet Interface
24V Power Supply
SIWAREX WP231
7MH4960-2AA01
Configuration Package
SIWAREX WP231
7MH4960-2AK01

Standard RJ 45 Cable
Adjustment weight
> 5% of the sum of the nominal value of all load cells
Scale
2 Connectivity

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Two switches are located next to the RJ45 connector. If the right switch is set to the upper position (factory default) the outputs of WP231 will be deactivated if the PLC goes to stop. If it is set to the lower position, the outputs of WP231 will remain active even if the PLC goes to stop (=Stand-Alone-Mode). This is important if a continuous operation must be guaranteed. The left switch is not used.

**In stand-alone mode the right switch must be set to the lower position!**

Important: The usage of a shield connector is highly recommended to avoid EMC interferences!

The order number for the SIMATIC shield connector is 6ES5728-8MA11
3 PST Primary Setup Tool

SIWAREX WP 231 is connected to SIWATOOL with an ethernet cable. A correct parameterization of the IP address of the PC and the WP231 is required to establish the communication. One easy way is to use the PST software which is available in the software configuration package. The IP of the PC needs to be in the same IP range and Subnet-Mask like the WP231 module. (e.g. WP231=192.168.0.21 → PC IP must be 192.168.0.XXX, but not 192.168.0.21).

Start PST

Choose Ethernet interface of the PC

Browse

Check IP address (factory default is 192.168.0.21)
Eventually change IP address

Download new IP address to the module
4 SIWATOOL overview

- **Command buttons**
- **Data Record structure**
- **Parameters offline in the PC/SIWATOOL**
- **Active parameters online in the WP231**
- **Error message buffer**

Differences between on- and offline values are marked in red.

A right click on the name of a data record (e.g. DR3 like in the picture on the left) opens a small pop-up with options to “Send” the complete data-record from the PC into the WP231 or to “Receive” the complete data record from the WP231 into the PC. It’s possible to send or receive a complete Data Record only! It’s not possible to send or receive only a single parameter inside a data record.
5 SIWATOOL start

Check IP address factory default is 192.168.0.21

Change to “online” mode

Switch “Service Mode” on, the status is shown on the right bottom of SIWATOOL.

Load Factory settings (11)
Caution all old data/settings will be lost!

Receive all data
For the 5 minute calibration following commands are necessary:

- Service mode on
- Service mode off
- Load factory settings
- Automatic Calibration
6 Calibration procedure

There are two different ways for calibrating the scale. The first method called “automatic calibration” uses only the data of the scale/loadcells and no calibration weight is required. The other method uses calibration weights. The accuracy will be higher, if the calibration is performed with weights. It is recommended to start with the “automatic calibration” first, in order to check the functionality of the scale. If necessary, a calibration with weights can increase the accuracy of the system afterwards.

6.1 Automatic calibration (without calibration weights)

Only data record 3 and 10 must be defined to perform the “Automatic calibration”. All important parameters are marked in bold.

Keep the factory setting for parameters not marked in bold

“Maximum weight” is the nominal load of the scale.
Resolution is the smallest weight step displayed.
For the automatic calibration, Calibration weight 0 must be 0.
Other parameters are self explaining

Note: the resolution is related to the weight display and is independent from the weight accuracy.

The exact value of the gain is not always known. In this case enter the average nominal value (mean value of several nominal values as given in the catalog.)
Enter all other parameters marked in bold
Put a known weight onto the scale and check for plausibility.

6.2 Calibration with calibration weight

Enter the calibration weight value

Calibration weight 0 is usually 0kg (scale empty), however it can be set to another value (e.g. in case of retrofit and a known weight in/on the scale before).

Calibration weight 1 needs to be more than 5% of the sum of the nominal load of all connected load cells.

Example:

A scale is built on three loadcells, each 50kg nominal capacity.

→ The calibration weight needs to be at least 5% of 150kg (=3 x 50kg) and therefore it needs to be at least 7.5kg.
After defining all parameters, DR3 must be sent via a right mouse click on the data record name and “Send”.

Ensure that scale is empty and execute the command “Set calibration point 0 (60)”

The gross weight should be 0 kg now

Put the defined calibration weight on the scale

Execute “Set calibration point 1 (61)”

The display should show the predefined “Calibration weight 1” in the display. If not check the error message buffer!

Otherwise the adjustment is completed now.
Switch “Service mode off (2)”

7 Backup

Creating a complete scale backup

- Read all data into the PC
- Save Siwatool file.

If the module needs to be replaced, this Siwatool file can be uploaded into the module and the scale doesn’t need to be re-configured/calibrated.
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