





### SLAB SENSOR 079 -

The tekmar Slab Sensor 079 has a stainless steel sleeve which is designed for use in concrete, thin-set or grout. The 079 is supplied with 10' (3 m) of 2 conductor zipcord.

# Installation - Slab Sensor 079

# STEP ONE ------ INSTALLING THE SENSOR

## New Installations

## **Thin-Set or Thin-Pour Applications**

If the floor covering is to be installed over either a thin-set or thin-pour material of sufficient depth, the 079 slab sensor can be placed directly into either the thin-set material or the thin-pour material and covered over. Ensure that the sensor is located in such a position that the attached wire is able to reach to a suitable junction location. Splices within the thin-set or



thin-pour should be avoided to ensure trouble free operation. The sensor should be located mid way between the heating elements to ensure a proper temperature reading.

# Thin Floor Coverings (less than 3/8" (10 mm))

If a thin floor covering is to be installed directly to the subfloor, a groove 1/8" (4 mm) wide by 1/16" (2 mm) deep can be cut into the surface of the subfloor to accommodate the wire for the sensor. Ensure that the sensor is located in such a position that the attached wire is able to reach to a suitable junction location. Splices under the floor covering should be avoided to ensure trouble free operation. A groove 3/16" (5 mm) wide by 3/16" (5 mm) deep by 1-3/4"



(45 mm) long should be cut to accommodate the sensor. The sensor should be located mid way between the heating elements to ensure a proper temperature reading.

## Thick Floor Coverings (greater than 3/8" (10 mm))

If a thick floor covering is to be installed directly to the subfloor, a groove 1/8" (4 mm) wide by 1/16" (2 mm) deep can be cut into the back of the flooring material to accommodate the wire for the sensor. Ensure that the sensor is located in such a position that the attached wire is able to reach to a suitable junction location.



Splices under the floor covering should be avoided to ensure trouble free operation. A groove 3/16" (5 mm) wide by 3/16" (5 mm) deep by 1-3/4" (45 mm) long should be cut to accommodate the sensor. The sensor should be located mid way between the heating elements to ensure a proper temperature reading.

**NOTE:** If it is not practical to cut a groove in the surface covering, follow the installation method used for thin floor coverings.

#### Retrofit Installations

#### **Tile Floor Coverings**

If a Slab Sensor 079 is to be installed into an existing tile floor with sufficiently large grout lines, the sensor and wire can be installed in one of the grout lines between the tiles. Select a low traffic area of the floor that is mid way between the heating elements for the sensor location. Ensure that the sensor is located in such a position that the attached wire is able to reach to a suitable junction location. Splices within the grout should be avoided to ensure trouble free operation. Remove the appropriate grout line and place the sensor and wire in the floor. Re-grout the area.

# Installing the Sensor to the Bottom of a Subfloor

If the sensor is to be installed to the bottom of a subfloor, cut a piece of 1" (25 mm) thick rigid insulation into a 6" (150 mm) by 6" (150 mm) square. A groove 3/16" (5 mm) wide by 3/16" (5 mm) deep by 1-3/4" (45 mm) long should be cut into the insulation to accommodate the sensor. Place the sensor in the groove and sandwich the sensor between the insulation and the subfloor. Use a suitable fastening method to affix the insulation to the subfloor.





#### STEP TWO ------ WIRING AND TESTING THE SENSOR -

*Caution:* Do not run sensor wires parallel to telephone or power cables. If the sensor wires are located in an area with strong sources of electromagnetic interference, shielded cable or twisted pair should be used or the wires can be run in a grounded metal conduit.

The Slab Sensor 079 is supplied with 10' (3 m) of cable. If a longer length is required, 24 AWG or larger wire can be spliced onto the two wires from the sensor. The splices should be properly soldered and protected in an accessible junction box. Follow the sensor testing instructions given in this brochure and then connect the wires to the control.

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	-7	46,218	06	32	7,334	160	17	1,689
ſ	-4	39,913	96	35	6,532	165	74	1,538
-	-	34,558	100	38	5,828	170	27	1,403
2		29,996	105	41	5,210	175	62	1,281
4		26,099	110	43	4,665	180	82	1,172
7		22,763	115	46	4,184	185	85	1,073
10		19,900	120	49	3,760	190	88	983
13		17,436	125	52	3,383	195	91	903
16		15,311	130	54	3,050	200	93	829
18		13,474	135	57	2,754	205	96	763
21		11,883	140	60	2,490	210	66	703
24		10,501	145	63	2,255	215	102	648
27		9,299	150	66	2,045	220	104	598
29		8.250	155	68	1.857	225	107	553

A good quality test meter capable of measuring up to 5,000 k $\Omega$  (1 k $\Omega$  = 1000 $\Omega$ ) is required to measure the sensor resistance. In addition to this, the actual temperature must be measured with either a good quality digital thermometer, or if a thermometer is not available, a second sensor can be placed alongside the one to be tested and the readings compared.

sensor must not be connected to the control while the test is performed. Using the chart on the following page, estimate the temperature First measure the temperature using the thermometer and then measure the resistance of the sensor at the control. The wires from the measured by the sensor. The sensor and thermometer readings should be close. If the test meter reads a very high resistance, there may be a broken wire, a poor wiring connection or a defective sensor. If the resistance is very low, the wiring may be shorted, there may be moisture in the sensor or the sensor may be defective. To test for a defective sensor, measure the resistance directly at the sensor ocation.

To not apply voltage to a sensor at any time as damage to the sensor may result.

#### Sensor Testing Instructions

# **Technical Data**

## SLAB SENSOR 079 -

Literature Packaged weight

Dimensions Operating range Sensor D 079 0.08 lb. (35 g), 316 stainless steel, 10' (3 m) 24 AWG, 300 volt PVC insulated Zip cord 3/16" OD x 1-1/2" (5 OD x 38 mm) -50 to 60°C NTC thermistor, 10 kΩ @ 77°F (25°C ±0.2°C),  $\beta$ =3892

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