Ethernet Adapter

User Guide

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Order Options:

Ethernet Adapter Kit	Part Number: EAK01
Comprises:	Ethernet Adapter, Ethernet Patch Cable (0.5m), User Guide, CD with Hydro-Com software and User Guide
	Use with external 24V power supply
Ethernet Power Adapter Kit:	Part Number: EPK01
Comprises:	All the above plus Ethernet Power Adapter, Power Injector, IEC mains cable and 2 additional Ethernet Patch Cables
	Provides power and Ethernet connection over standard CAT5e cable

Chapter 1 Introduction

The Hydronix Ethernet Adapter provides a simple method of network enabling Hydronix products. The Adapter is a small DIN-rail mounted unit that converts packets received over an Ethernet (TCP/IP) network to RS485 or RS232. This enables a host PC elsewhere on the network to communicate with sensors using Hydronix Hydro-Com software.

An option of using Power over Ethernet is available via a second small DIN-rail module to eliminate the need for a local 24V supply for the sensors.

All references to Hydro-Com in this guide are HS0099 v2.5 and above.

All references to Hydronix sensors in this guide are for firmware versions HS0102.

Figure 1: Ethernet Adapter Kit Connections

1 Installation

Depending on the installation option chosen, the system should be set up as shown in the diagrams below. Terminal identification for each module is shown later in this chapter. In order to maintain compliance with the relevant product directives, this equipment should only be installed and used with the approved components supplied by Hydronix. Unauthorised modifications to the units could void the compliance and invalidate the user's right to use the equipment.

1.1 Ethernet Adapter Only (EA01)

The most basic setup uses only the Ethernet Adapter and is arranged as shown in Figure 2:

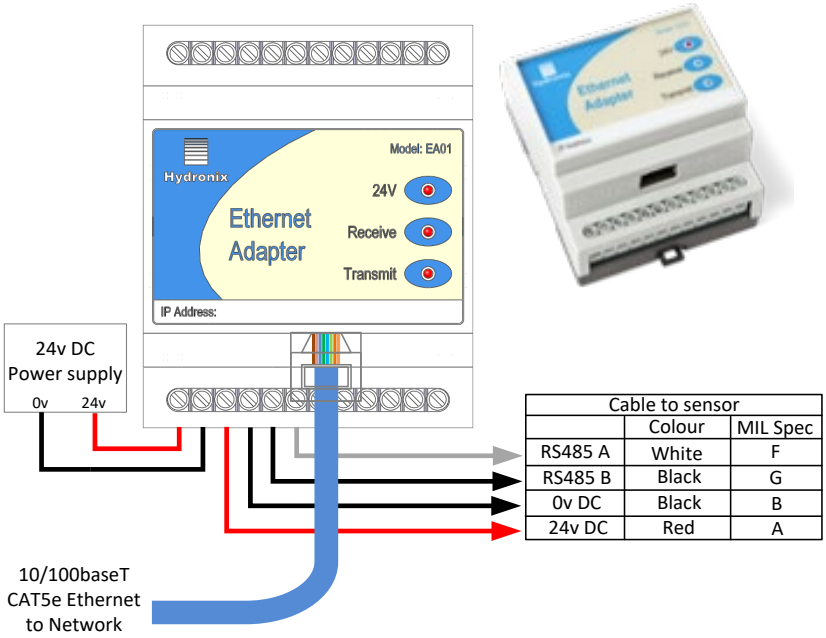

Figure 2: Connections for Ethernet Adapter only

1.1.1 Location of the Ethernet Adapter (EA01)

The Ethernet Adapter should be mounted in the wiring junction box as close to the sensors as possible, and protected from water and excessive dust. The Ethernet Adapter (EA01) should be installed in such a manner as to prevent electro-static discharge to the Ethernet "IN" port. Such a discharge may cause the unit to lock up and require a power "OFF – ON" cycle to restore performance.

Connect the Ethernet drop cable from the network connection to the Ethernet port of the Adapter. Connect a 24V dc supply to the 24V+ and 0V input terminals of the Ethernet Adapter, ensuring that the power supply and wire is of a sufficient power rating to carry the power for the number of sensors connected

Connect the RS485 sensor cable to the Ethernet Adapter outputs, taking care to note the recommendations in the RS485 Wiring Recommendations later in the chapter.

1.2 Power over Ethernet (EPK01)

To eliminate the need for a local 24V supply for the adapter and sensors, the optional Power over Ethernet kit can be used. The arrangement is as shown in Figure 3:

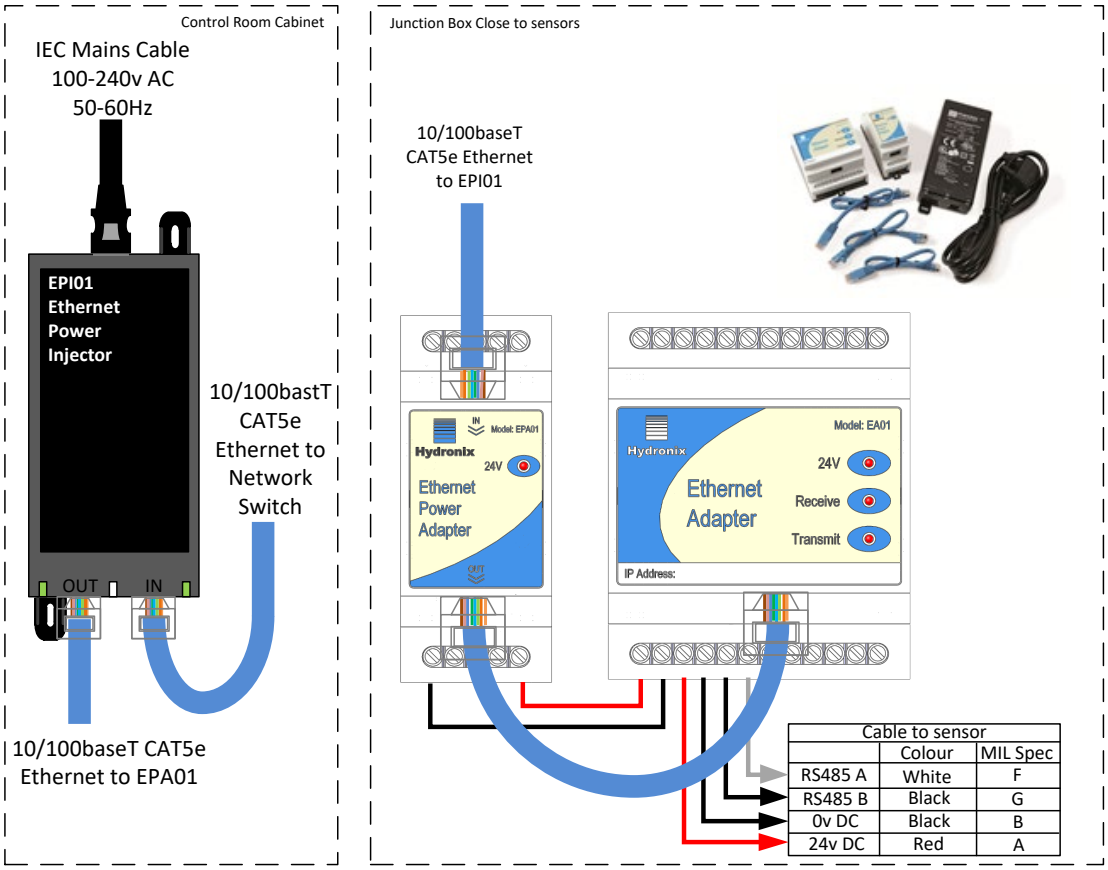

Figure 3: Connections for Ethernet Adapter and Power Adapter

1.2.1 Location of the Ethernet Power Adapter (EPA01)

The Power Adapter Module (EPA01) should be mounted in the wiring junction box close to the sensors and beside the Ethernet Adapter, protected from water and excessive dust. Connect the Ethernet drop cable from the router to the IN port of the Power Adapter. This cable carries both the power and the Ethernet communications signals. Connect a short Ethernet cable from the OUT port of the Power Adapter to the Ethernet port on the Adapter. This cable carries only the Ethernet communications. Connect short insulated wires from the 24V+ and 0V outputs of the Power Adapter to the 24V+ and 0V inputs of the Ethernet Adapter, ensuring that the wire is of sufficient power rating to carry the power for the number of sensors connected.

Connect the RS485 sensor cable to the Ethernet Adapter outputs, taking care to note the recommendations in the RS485 Wiring Recommendations later in this chapter.

Sufficient ventilation and cooling should be employed to keep the air temperature around the unit to a suitable level for the number of sensors being powered. Figure 4 shows the number of sensors that can be used at different air temperatures.

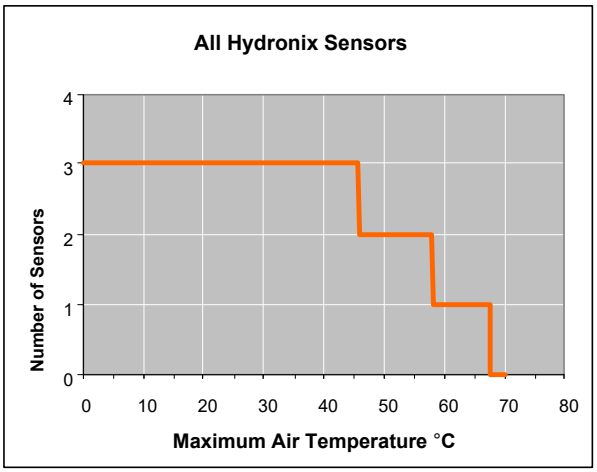

Figure 4: Maximum Number of Sensor Connections Dependent upon Ambient Temperature

NOTE: Operation above these limits may cause premature failure of the unit.

1.2.2 Location of the Power Injector Module (EPI01)

The Power Injector Module (EPI01) should ideally be located in the computer room or network cabinet close to the router. Identify which drop cable runs to the sensor location, and using a short patch cable insert the Power Injector into that cable, connecting the port labelled IN to the router output and the port labelled OUT to the drop cable. Connect a 240V or 110V mains supply to the Power Injector.

Note: The Power Injector Module can supply sufficient power for up to three Hydronix sensors. If more sensors are to be connected to the network, then a separate power supply local to the sensors should be used instead of the Power over Ethernet solution.

2 Connections

2.1 Wiring Connections

2.1.1 Ethernet Adapter sensor connections:

Ethernet Adapter Terminal	Signal Description	MIL Spec pin number on sensor	Wire Colour in standard Hydronix 0090A cable
1	24V + input		
2	0V input		
3	24V + to sensor	A	Red
4	0V to sensor	B	Black
5	RS485 B	G	Black
6	RS485 A	F	White

The white and black are from one twisted pair and the red and black from another.

2.1.2 Ethernet Power Adapter connections:

Ethernet Power Adapter Terminal	Signal Description
1	0V output
5	24V + output

2.2 RS-485 Wiring Recommendations

The performance and reliability of a RS485 network can depend significantly on the quality and design of the wiring used. It is recommended to use 24AWG twisted pairs with characteristic impedance (Zo) of 100R – 120R. Ideally, sensors on a RS485 network should be connected in a daisy chain arrangement, as shown here:

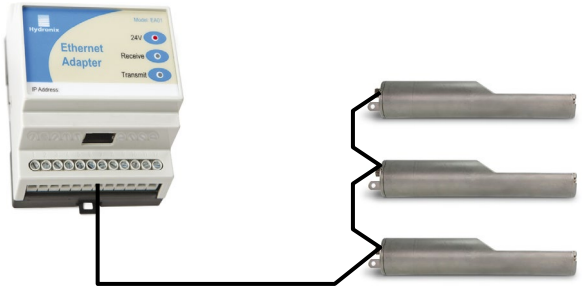

Figure 5: Correct RS485 Connections

This arrangement uses just one of the sets of sensor outputs on the Ethernet Adapter. In practice, this arrangement is hard to achieve, so sensors may be wired using very short stubs:

Although the Ethernet Adapter has multiple sets of sensor outputs, wiring in a star configuration with each sensor wired to an output set should be avoided if at all possible.

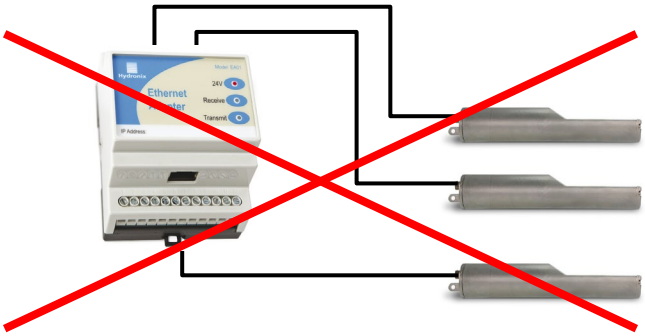

Figure 6: Incorrect RS485 Connections

3 Indicator Lights

The Ethernet Power Adapter unit (EPA01) has a single red indicator light on the top, which indicates that it is supplying power. It must be connected to an Ethernet cable with an 802.11af compliant Power Injector supplying it.

The Ethernet Adapter (EA01) has three indicator lights on the top. The red indicator illuminates when a suitable 24V supply is connected. The transmit indicator light blinks when data is received by the Adapter and is being sent to the sensors. The receive indicator light blinks when data is received from the sensors and is being sent over the Ethernet to the host system.

Additionally, the green indicator light above the network connector indicates that a network connection has been established, and the yellow indicator blinks when network data is sent or received

4 Programming

An installation using the Ethernet Adapter packs the messages sent from a Host to the Sensor into an Ethernet data packet, which is then unpacked by the Ethernet Adapter and converted into RS485 voltage levels. If a custom application is being written to communicate with Hydronix sensors over the Ethernet, then the Hydro-Link communications protocol should be implemented and the resulting message string sent over the network to the Ethernet Adapter (instead of a serial port). In Visual Basic (VB6) this is done using a WinSock control and in Visual Studio .NET this can either be done using a Sockets control or a TCP Client control. A connection should be made from the Winsock or TCP Client control to port 10001 on the Adapter.

Figure 7: Ethernet Adapter and Power Adapter

Further information on these controls can be found in the programming system documentation. Although Hydronix is able to provide guidance they may be unable to give detailed technical support for developing custom software applications.

Hydronix have developed a Class Library for .NET to implement all of the communications functionality including support for the Ethernet Adapter, which will be available upon request. For details of this and more information on the Hydro-Link Communications Protocol please contact Hydronix Technical Support (support@hydronix.com)

1 Ethernet Adapter defaults

By default, the Ethernet Adapter will use an automatically generated IP Address, which will be allocated by the network DHCP server. As this may change after a few days or weeks, it is recommended that a fixed IP Address is used for the Ethernet Adapter. The allocated address should be on the same subnet as the address allocated by DHCP, but outside the range of DHCP addresses. Contact the Network Administrator to find a suitable address.

2 Finding an Ethernet Adapter automatically

Communication with Hydronix sensors is carried out using Hydro-Com software. To find Ethernet adapters on the network expand Sensor Setup>Local Machine>Local Connections> Ethernet. The software will now search for any Ethernet adapters available on the network (Figure 8).

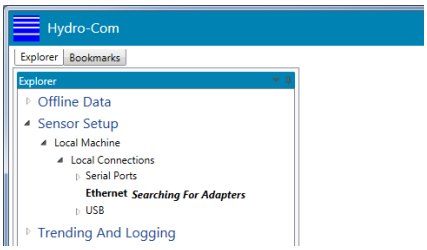

Figure 8: Searching for Ethernet Adapters

The program will display “Searching for Adapters”.

Any adapters found will be added to the list (Figure 9). Select the required adapter to search for connected sensors

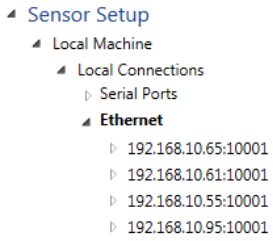

Figure 9: Ethernet Adapters Added to the List

3 Adding an Ethernet Adapter manually

In order to manually enter an Ethernet Adapter with a static IP address right click Ethernet and select “Add Ethernet Adapter” (Figure 10).

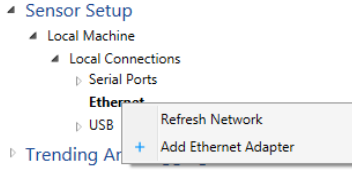

Figure 10: Manually Adding an Ethernet Adapter

In the dialog that is shown select “User Static IP Address” (Figure 11). Enter the IP Address and IP gateway as required. The port number should be set to 10001. Click Update to add the adapter

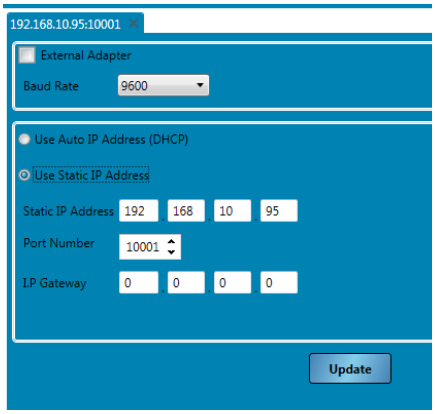

Figure 11: Selecting Static IP Address

If the adapter is configured correctly and Hydro-Com can connect it will be added to the list (Figure 12).

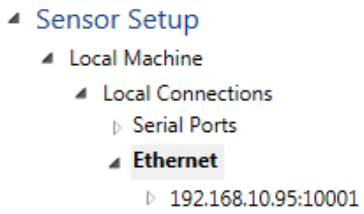

Figure 12: Static IP Address Added

4 Changing the Ethernet Adapter IP Address

Once Hydro-com is connected to an Ethernet Adapter, right click the IP Address and select Configure Adapter (Figure 13).

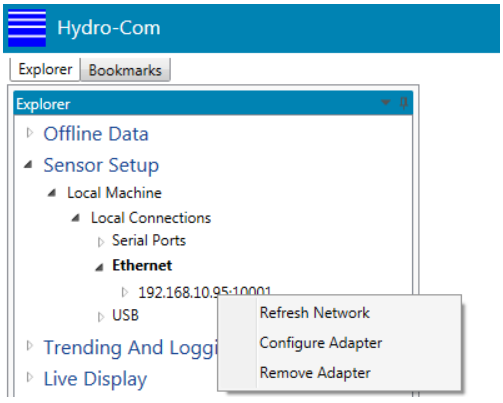

Figure 13: Configure the Ethernet Adapter

To fix the IP Address, click on “Use static IP Address” and enter the IP Address in the box provided (Figure 14). It is recommended to leave the Port Number and Gateway set to the defaults.

Click Update to save the changes.

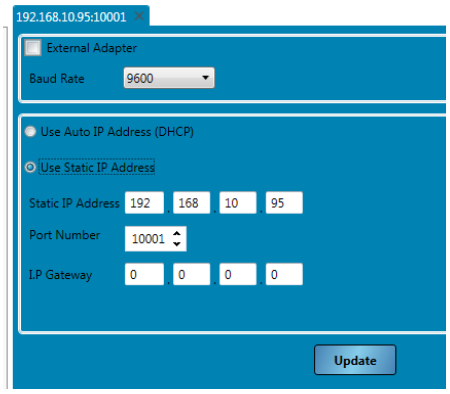

Figure 14: Set the IP Address

When a fixed IP Address has been assigned, it is recommended to write the address on the front of the Ethernet Adapter in the space provided.

5 Remote (Internet) Connection

Sensors connected to an Ethernet Adapter can also be accessed remotely over the Internet. In order to do this, it is necessary to open up a port in the Firewall of the network on which the Ethernet Adapter is installed. Contact the Network Administrator for details of doing this. When opening the Port, all incoming traffic to that port should be directed to the IP Address of the Ethernet Adapter and port 10001. Make a note of the network's IP Address on the Internet and the number of the port opened up. The table below shows the settings used in this example:

Company Network Settings		**Ethernet Adapter Settings**	
IP Address	Opened Port	IP Address	Port Number
123.456.78.901	7011	192.168.10.61	10001

The port 7011 on the Firewall is opened up and all traffic to this port is forwarded to 192.168.10.61 port 10001.

If the Firewall does not allow a completely flexible configuration of port forwarding then either open up port 10001 on the Firewall and leave the Ethernet Adapter port set as 10001, or alternatively alter the port of the Ethernet Adapter to be the same as the port opened in the Firewall. This is done by entering the new value in the Port Number box when setting the fixed IP Address:

Certain port numbers are reserved for internal use by the Ethernet Adapter and should not be used:

Port Number	**Function**
1 – 1024	Commonly used Internet Ports
9999	Ethernet Adapter Reserved functionality
14000 – 14009	
30704	
30718	

To connect remotely to the Ethernet Adapter install Hydro-Com on the remote machine. As before, right click Ethernet and select “Add Ethernet Adapter”. In the Add Ethernet Adapter window, enter the IP Address of the Firewall and the Port opened (Figure 15). Click Update to save the settings.

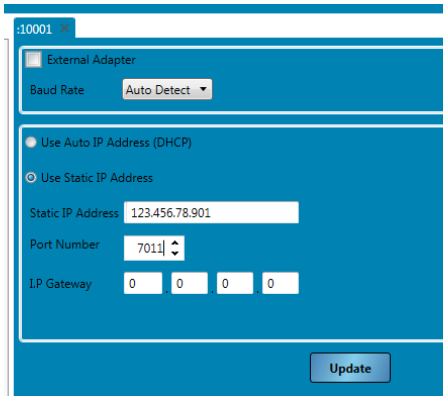

Figure 15: Remote Connection

1 EA01 Ethernet Adapter

Dimensions: 70mm (w) x 86mm (h) x 57mm (d)

Environment: Operating Temperature 0-70°C

Modules should be used indoors in dry environments only. The enclosures are rated to IP31.

Interfaces: Ethernet IN: Standard 10/100baseT Ethernet RJ45 socket

RS485: Can connect to a maximum of 16 Hydronix Sensors

RS232: Standard RS232 interface

Weight: 160g

2 EPA01 Ethernet Power Adapter

Dimensions: 35mm (w) x 86mm (h) x 57mm (d)

Environment: Operating Temperature:0-70°C

Modules should be used indoors in dry environments only. The enclosures are rated to IP31.

Power Output: 24V, 630mA – see notes in Chapter 2 on number of sensors that can be powered.

Interfaces: Ethernet IN: Standard 802.11af 10/100baseT POE RJ45 socket

Ethernet OUT: Standard 10/100baseT Ethernet RJ45 socket

Weight: 123g

3 EPI01 Ethernet Power Injector

Dimensions: 65mm (w) x 140mm (h) x 36mm (d)

Environment: Operating Temperature: 0-40°C

Modules should be used indoors in dry environments only.

Interfaces: Mains In: IEC320 inlet 3 pin

Ethernet IN: Standard 10/100baseT Ethernet RJ45 socket

Ethernet OUT: Standard 802.11af 10/100baseT POE RJ45 socket

Weight: 246g

NOTE: Allow space for cables to be fitted on all units

4 Terminal Identification

4.1 Ethernet Adapter

The Ethernet Adapter terminals are wired as follows:

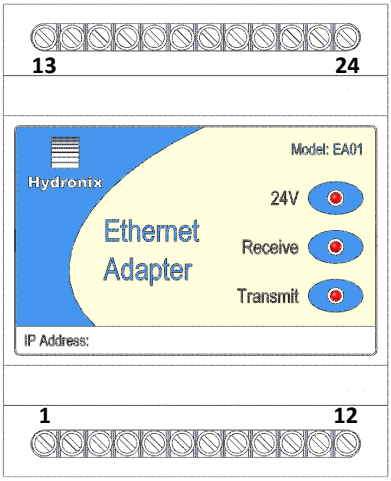

Figure 16: EA01 Terminal Identification

Ethernet Adapter Terminal	Signal Description	Notes
IN	CAT5e Network cable	
1	24V + input	
2	0V input	
3	24V + to sensor	
4	0V to sensor	
5	RS485 B	
6	RS485 A	
7	No connection	
8	RS232 RTS	
9	RS232 Tx	
10	RS232 Rx	
11	RS232 CTS	
12	RS232 GND	
13	24V + to sensor	
14	0V to sensor	

15	RS485 B	It is not recommended to wire RS485 using a star topology Please refer to chapter 2 on RS485 wiring recommendations
16	RS485 A	
17	24V + to sensor	
18	0V to sensor	
19	RS485 B	
20	RS485 A	
21	24V + to sensor	
22	0V to sensor	
23	RS485 B	
24	RS485 A	

4.2 Ethernet Power Adapter

The Ethernet Power Adapter EPA01 terminals are wired as follows. Particular care must be taken to identify the top and bottom of the unit, as both sides look similar.

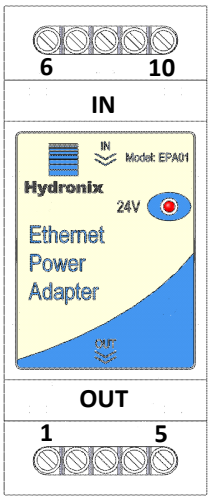

Figure 17: EPA01 Terminal Identification

Ethernet Power Adapter Terminal	**Signal Description**
IN	CAT5e Network cable from EPI01
OUT	CAT5e Network cable to EA01
1	0V output
2	0V output
3	No connection

4	24V + output
5	24V + output
6	0V output
7	0V output
8	No connection
9	24V + output
10	24V + output

1 Ethernet Adapter EA01

Symptom: 24V light not on

Possible Explanation	Check	Required Result	Action required on failure
24V not connected	DC power on terminals 1 and 2	+24v DC	Locate fault in power supply

Symptom: Not found on network using the Hydro-Com Search function

Possible Explanation	Check	Required Result	Action required on failure
Not connected to network	Ethernet link	Ethernet link light lit	Locate fault in network cabling
No DHCP address	DHCP server	IP address assigned	Unplug and replug the network cable

Symptom: Computer does not communicate with the Ethernet Adapter

Possible Explanation	Check	Required Result	Action required on failure
Not properly registered on network	Search for the Ethernet adapter using the Hydro-Com 'Search' function. If that fails then try pinging the IP address of the Ethernet Adapter	Ethernet Adapter found Ping response	Investigate network – try power cycling EA01 Check IP Address
Invalid IP address	If the subnet mask is 255.255.255.0 then if the adapter's IP address x.y.z.a then the PC's must be x.y.z.b (b <> a) try changing the PC's to match and try again	Connection from Hydro-Com to Ethernet Adapter – then the IP Address can be changed	Contact local network administrator or Hydronix Technical Support

Symptom: Computer does not communicate with the sensor

Possible Explanation	Check	Required Result	Action required on failure
Not wired correctly to sensor	Wiring connections of EA01	Transmit and receive lights blink	Check sensor connections, try a different sensor

2 Ethernet Power Adapter EPA01

Symptom: 24V light not on

Possible Explanation	Check	Required Result	Action required on failure
Ethernet Power Injector not connected	Ethernet Power Injector EPI01 as above	24V light on	
Ethernet cables plugged in wrong way round	Try swapping the cables – the Power Injector should go to IN and the OUT should go to the Ethernet Adapter	24V light on	

3 Ethernet Power Injector EPI01

Symptom: ON light not illuminated

Possible Explanation	Check	Required Result	Action required on failure
Ethernet Power Injector not plugged in	Power supply to Ethernet Power Injector	ON light illuminated	Try a different EPI01

Symptom: CONNECT light not illuminated

Possible Explanation	Check	Required Result	Action required on failure
Ethernet cable to Ethernet Power Adapter faulty or not connected	Cable between EPI01 and EPA01	CONNECT light illuminated	Replace cable or try a different EPA01

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Model name/number: Ethernet Adapter and Ethernet Power Adapter

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Radiated Immunity	EN55024	
Conducted Immunity	EN55024	

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