

# Hardware Limited Warranty

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# Preface

This manual provides technical information on the RVP8 digital receiver and Doppler signal processor.

## About This Manual

This manual is used primarily by engineers for installation and troubleshooting, or by users interested in understanding the signal processing features, algorithms, and control and data formats.

Chapter 1, *Introduction and Specifications*, describes the major features of the RVP8 signal processor and gives its technical specifications.

Chapter 2, *Hardware Installation*, discusses the electrical issues involved with installing the RVP8 processor and IFD receiver module. This includes power supply connections, radar analog and digital signal interfaces and computer interface connections. Software installation is covered in a separate Appendix.

Chapter 3, *TTY Nonvolatile Setups*, continues the installation discussion by describing how to use the local TTY to configure the actual operation of the RVP8. This includes a detailed description of the (approximately one hundred) setup parameters that affect the operation of the RVP8.

Chapter 4, *Plot-Assisted Setups*, completes the installation discussion by using the oscilloscope plotting modes to configure and align the radar receiver, and measure its performance.

Chapter 5, *Processing Algorithms*, gives mathematical descriptions of the processing algorithms implemented in the RVP8 signal processor. This information can be useful to those writing their own interface to the RVP8, or for those who want to learn more about the internal workings of the signal processor.

Chapter 6, *Host Computer Commands*, contains a description of the digital commands that the host computer must use to set up and control the RVP8 processor. The introductory section discusses processor I/O in general, and gives an overview of how to set up the RVP8 for recording data. Each command is then detailed in subsequent sections.

The appendixes give information on software installation and backup, the RVP8 standard chassis, and clutter filter characteristics.

## Where to Find More Information

The following manuals are also available from SIGMET, Inc.:




<i>IRIS Installation Manual</i>	Describes the procedures for installing and upgrading IRIS and the specific hardware and software configuration for your facility.
<i>IRIS Radar Manual</i>	Describes the IRIS/Radar software. This manual is for radar operators.
<i>IRIS Product &amp; Display Manual</i>	Describes the IRIS/Analysis product generation software and the IRIS/Display software.
<i>IRIS Utilities Manual</i>	Describes the utility programs for system alignment, calibration, installation and testing.
<i>IRIS Programmer's Manual</i>	Describes the data formats and library routines used by IRIS. This manual is for programmers who want to access IRIS data or interface to IRIS processes.
<i>The RCP8 User's Manual</i>	Describes the installation, operation and technical details of the Radar Control Processor. The RCP8 is an interface between the IRIS software and miscellaneous hardware such as the antenna and transmitter.

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## Documentation Conventions

The following conventions are used throughout this manual:

prompt	Some features of the RVP8 operate by displaying questions and waiting for you to type an answer. The text of prompts is displayed in bold, monospaced type.
	This margin icon indicates a note that may be of interest to the reader.
	This margin icon indicates a note that is important to the reader.
	This margin icon indicates a caution or warning to the reader.