

# TEROS 54 SOIL WATER CONTENT PROFILE

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# TEROS 54 QUICK START

## Preparation

Confirm TEROS 54 components are intact. For installation, dedicated accessories and tools are required and available from METER. PVC casing or flexible conduit (to protect cables) and a level are also needed.

Determine the desired installation location and choose the best installation method.

### ⚠ CAUTION

The slide hammer is quite loud when being used and also has the chance of pinching fingers. Please wear proper ear protection to prevent hearing damage and wear gloves to protect hands from injury when using the slide hammer for TEROS 54 probe installation.

METER recommends conducting a system check with a logger prior to installation.

Read the full TEROS 54 User Manual at [metergroup.com/teros54-support](https://www.metergroup.com/teros54-support). All products have a 30-day satisfaction guarantee.

## What is soil moisture?

Soil moisture is a key variable in controlling the exchange of water and heat energy between the land surface and the atmosphere through evaporation and plant transpiration.

[Learn more at metergroup.com](https://www.metergroup.com)

### ⚠ ATTENTION

For best results, use the latest versions of METER software and firmware for the computer or mobile device, products, and sensors. Please use the software Help menu to find updates. Consult the sensor user manual for more troubleshooting tips.

Go to [metergroup.com/environment/downloads/](https://www.metergroup.com/environment/downloads/) to find the current software or firmware version for the data logger being used.

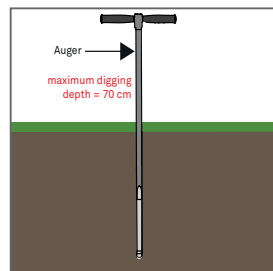
## Installation

### 1. Prepare Hole

Conduct a system check before going to the field.

Auger a vertical hole with the auger. Auger to the desired depth (maximum of 70 cm) in steps to avoid soil compaction.

Insert the TEROS 54 probe into the borehole firmly, but carefully.

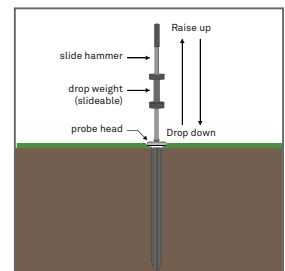


### 2. Insert Probe

Insert the tip of the TEROS 54 into the center of the borehole.

Push the probe into the borehole only if the soil allows it to slide in easily. If it doesn't go in when pushed, use the slide hammer

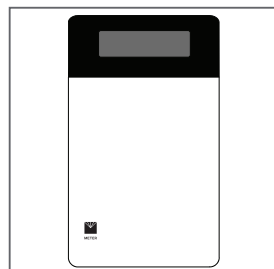
Place the slide hammer on top of the probe head, raise the weight, and drop the weight until the head is level with the soil.



### 3. Check Sensor and Protect Cables

Plug the probe into the data logger and use the **SCAN** function in the software to do a quick check of sensor operation.

Secure and protect cables with PVC casing or flexible conduit and backfill the trench or hole.



### 4. Plug Sensor In and Configure Logger

Use data logger software to apply appropriate settings to the sensors plugged into each data logger port.

