

START-UP GUIDE



Make sure you have all the supplies and read all the materials before you begin. Complete steps 1 and 2 BEFORE you attempt to install your ADS® *RainAlert®III™* in the field.

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These supplies are purchased from or provided by ADS.



RainAlert III Monitor



☐ Tipping Bucket (P/N 6000-0054)*
& Sunshield (P/N 9000-0043),
as needed





RainAlert III Installation Instructions (included in box)



ADS USB Direct Connect Cable (P/N 9000-0028)



Pole Mount Kit
(P/N 9000-0042), as needed

Additional general supplies to acquire before field installation.

Comput	er
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24-inch Carpenter's Level

Open-end Wrench Set (including 1/2" and 3/4" sizes)

Small Adjustable Crescent Wrench

☐ Diagonal Wire Cutters

Flathead and Phillips Head Screwdrivers (assorted sizes, including 1/8" tip flathead)

Ladder (where applicable)

✓ DOWNLOADABLE MATERIALS

Download Software from www.adsenv.com/software-downloads.

- ☐ Download ADS **Qstart**™XML Software
- ☐ Download USB Direct Connect Cable Driver

Documentation for Installation

- #RainAlert III Start-up Guide" for a digital copy of this document
- ADS **RainAlert III QstartXML** Quick Reference Guide"
- (optional) "ADS *RainAlert III* Installation, Operations and Maintenance Manual" for detailed information regarding installation and maintenance instructions

All digital RainAlert III guide materials on one convenient webpage

Visit **www.adsenv.com/rainalert** for quick access to all **RainAlert III** specific literature, documents, guides, FAQS, and videos.

<u>IMPORTANT</u> - Read entire document and watch all associated videos before installing the **RainAlert III!**

Read Steps 1-4 for Correct Setup, Installation, and Verification

1. INITIAL SETUP

IMPORTANT! Complete steps below before proceeding with Configuration and Activation.

- A. Activate the pre-installed ADS SIM card. The *RainAlert III* relies on cellular communication to operate, so activate the SIM card first. Follow the directions in the Initial Set Up section of the *RainAlert III*/QstartXML Quick Reference Guide.
- B. Download the **ADS Qstart**XML software, **RainAlert III/Qstart**XML **Quick Reference Guide**, and the USB Direct Connect Cable driver.
- C. Install **ADS** QstartXML software and the cable driver onto the field computer. QstartXML must be installed prior to proceeding to the following steps.

2. CONFIGURATION AND ACTIVATION

- ▶ Watch the **ADS** video "How to Initialize an **ADS** *RainAlert III*" before beginning Configuration and Activation. It provides detailed steps to correctly configure and activate an **ADS** *RainAlert III* monitor.
- Read the **ADS** *RainAlert III*/**Qstart**XML Quick Reference Guide Configuration and Activation section. It details how to configure the *RainAlert III*, activate the monitor in **Qstart**XML and adjust the time the *RainAlert III*'s modem power is on.

3. RAINALERT III MONITOR & TIPPING BUCKET INSTALLATION

✓ CHECKLIST! Parts and tools required or	a-site for installation:				
RainAlert III Monitor	24-inch Carpenter's Level				
RainAlert III Installation Intructions	Open-end Wrench				
ADS USB Cable	Small Adjustable Crescent Wrench				
Tipping Bucket & Sunshield	Flathead & Phillips Head Screwdrivers				
Pole Mount Kit (if needed)	☐ Diagonal Cutters				
Computer	Ladder (where applicable)				
Follow the RainAlert III Installation Instru	uctions included in the monitor box to install the RainAlert III monitor				
and connect the green and white wires from the <i>RainAlert III</i> to the tipping bucket.					

4. FINAL VERIFICATION STEPS

It is recommended that wireless communication be verified upon installation of the monitor and that the tips of the tipping bucket are accurately recorded by the *RainAlert III* monitor. Complete the Final Verification Steps in the *RainAlert III* (parative Quick Reference Guide to complete the *RainAlert III* installation. You can now start using the *RainAlert III* for remote rainfall monitoring.

