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TRACER
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Pool Professional's Meter

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INTRODUCTION

Congratulations on your purchase of the Total Dissolved Solids/Salinity TRACER PockeTester. The TRACER is a revolutionary, first of its kind measurement device that offers direct reading of TDS and salinity with one electrode. Careful use and maintenance will provide years of reliable service.

SPECIFICATIONS

Display	2000 count LCD with Bar Graph
Conductivity Range	0 to 199.9 μ S
Note: Conductivity mode should only be used for calibration of the meter.	200 to 1999 μ S 2.00 to 19.99 mS
TDS Range	0 to 99.9 ppm and mg/L 100 to 999 ppm and mg/L 1.00 to 9.99 ppt and g/L (variable ratio)
Salinity Range	0 to 99.9 ppm S 100 to 999 ppm S 1.00 to 9.99 ppt S (fixed ratio of 0.5)
TDS Ratio	0.4 to 1.0, adjustable (Pool water TDS Ratio 0.7)
Salinity Ratio	0.5 fixed
Conductivity ATC	2.0% per $^{\circ}$ C
Temperature Range	32.0 to 149.0 $^{\circ}$ F, 0.0 to 65.0 $^{\circ}$ C
Temperature Resolution	0.1 up to 99.9, 1>100
Temperature Accuracy	\pm 1.8 $^{\circ}$ F, 1 $^{\circ}$ C (from 32 to 122 $^{\circ}$ F, 0 to 50 $^{\circ}$ C) \pm 5.4 $^{\circ}$ F, 3 $^{\circ}$ C (from 122 to 194 $^{\circ}$ F, 50 to 90 $^{\circ}$ C)
Conductivity ATC Range	32.0 $^{\circ}$ F to 140 $^{\circ}$ F, (0.0 $^{\circ}$ C to 60.0 $^{\circ}$ C)
Accuracy	Conductivity: \pm 2% FS TDS: \pm 2% FS Salinity: \pm 2% FS
Measurement Storage	25 numbered readings
Low Battery Indication	'BAT' appears on the display

Power	Four CR 2032 Lithium Ion batteries
Auto Power Off	After 10 minutes of no button presses
Operating Conditions	23 to 122 °F, -5 to 50 °C

CONTENTS

TDS/SALT/TEMP TRACER PockeTester Kit Code 1749-KIT

Includes:

 TDS/Salt/Temp TRACER PockeTester Code 1749

 Conductivity Standard 12,880 (120mL) Code 6317-J

 Sample Cup w/cap[†]

[†]Not sold individually. See below.

PARTS & ACCESSORIES

EC/TDS/SAL Replacement Electrode Code 1765

Weighted Stand w/Sample Cups (5) Code 1746

Sample Cups w/caps (24) Code 1745

Conductivity Standard, 12,880 μ S, 30mL Code 6317-G

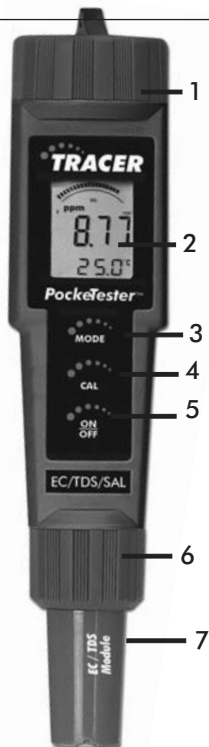
Conductivity Standard, 12,880 μ S, 120 mL Code 6317-J

Conductivity Standard, 12,880 μ S, 500 mL Code 6317-L

METER DESCRIPTION

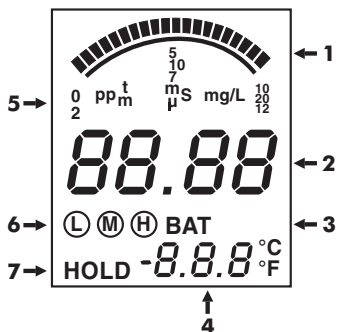
Front Panel Description

1. Battery compartment cap
 2. LCD Display
 3. MODE/HOLD button - change mode, hold data, store data
 4. CAL/RECALL button - calibration, change temperature units, recall data
 5. ON/OFF button
 6. Electrode Collar
 7. Electrode
- (Note: The Electrode cap is not shown)



TRACER Display

1. Bar graph reading
2. Measurement reading
3. BAT (low battery) indicator
4. Temperature display
5. Measurement units
6. Calibration range indicators
7. HOLD indicator



BASIC OPERATION

Powering the TRACER

The Tracer uses four CR2032 Lithium Ion batteries. If the batteries are weak, the BAT indicator will appear on the display. Press the ON/OFF key to turn the TRACER on or off. The auto power off feature will shut the TRACER off automatically after 10 minutes after the last button push.

Automatic Calibration

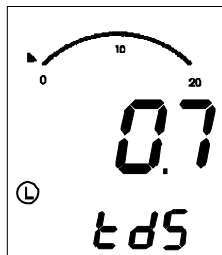
When the TRACER is turned on, it will enter the Automatic Calibration mode. SELF and CAL will appear while the calibration is in progress. After the calibration is completed, the SELF and CAL display icons will extinguish.

TDS Conversion Ratio

The TDS value is determined by multiplying the conductivity measurement by a known conversion ratio factor. The meter allows the selection of a conversion ratio factor in the range of 0.4 to 1.0. The pool water TDS selected ratio is 0.7. In the salinity mode, the ratio is fixed at 0.5. The stored ratio factor will briefly appear in the lower temperature display when the meter is first turned on or when changing the measurement function to TDS.

To Change the TDS Conversion Ratio:

1. Turn the TRACER on.
2. Press and release the CAL/RECALL button twice. The stored ratio will appear in the display.
3. Press the MODE/HOLD button to change the ratio value in steps of 0.1.
4. When the desired ratio is displayed, press and release the CAL/RECALL button to store the value and return to the normal mode.
5. If no buttons are pressed for 5 seconds, the meter will return to the measurement mode.



Changing the Displayed Temperature Units

To change the displayed temperature units between °C or °F:

1. With the TRACER off, press and hold the CAL/RECALL button.
2. With the CAL/RECALL button pressed, momentarily press the ON/OFF button. When SELF CAL appears in the display, release the CAL/RECALL button. The TRACER will return to the operational mode with the temperature displayed in the new units.

Data Hold

Press the MODE/HOLD button to freeze the current reading. The HOLD icon will appear, the reading will be stored. Press the MODE/HOLD key to return to normal operation.

Auto Power Off

The auto-power off feature will automatically shut the meter off 10 minutes after the last button was pressed. To disable the auto-off feature:

1. Press the ON/OFF button to turn the meter on.
2. Wait for the SELF display screen to appear. This is the second screen to appear after turning on the meter. **IMPORTANT:** Review the instructions for the next 3 steps before proceeding. Step 3 must be followed immediately by Step 4.
3. Press CAL/RECALL button once.
4. Press MODE/HOLD and ON/OFF buttons simultaneously. Quickly release buttons.
5. OFF will be displayed on the screen. Watch carefully. It will disappear quickly.
6. The auto power off feature will be restored automatically when the meter is turned off. Auto-off is the default function when the meter is turned on.

Low Battery Indicator

The “BAT” indicator will be displayed when the batteries become weak. Refer to the maintenance section for battery replacement information

TESTING

Getting Started

1. Remove the cap from the bottom of the TRACER to expose the electrode.
2. Before the first use, rinse the electrode in deionized water or tap water and dry.
3. When the meter is calibrated for Salinity or TDS the meter must be in Conductivity Mode (See page 12).

Changing the Measurement Function

The meter can be set to measure Conductivity, TDS (ppm), TDS (mg/L) or Salinity. To change the mode:

1. Turn the TRACER on.
2. Press and hold the MODE/HOLD button for 2 seconds. The display will begin to scroll through the units.

 μS or mS (Conductivity)

 ppm or ppt (TDS)

 mg/L (TDS)

 ppm or ppt (Salinity "S")

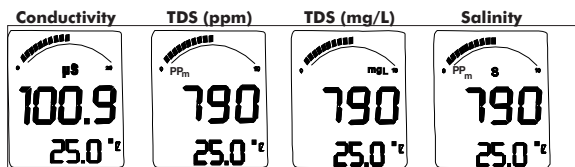
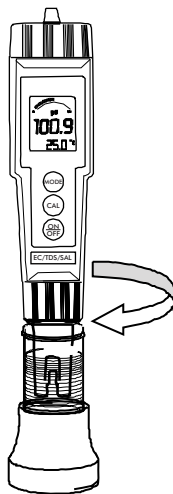
NOTE: 1 part per thousand (ppt) equals 1000 parts per million (ppm).

 Example: 3.1 ppt = 3,100 ppm

3. Release the MODE/HOLD key when the desired mode is displayed.
4. Note that the "HOLD" function can not be on when changing functions.

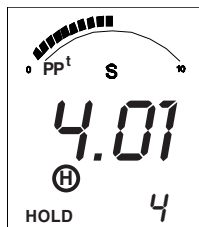
Measurement

1. Fill a sample cup to the 20 mL line with the test sample. Sample depth must be greater than or equal to 1.5 inches.
2. Immerse the TRACER electrode in the sample. Make sure the electrode is completely submersed. Do not submerge entire PockeTester, only the electrode should be submersed.
3. Press the ON/OFF button. (8888 and then SELF CAL will appear in the display during the initial diagnostics).
4. Press and hold the MODE/HOLD button to scroll to the desired measurement mode.
5. Slowly stir the sample with the TRACER to remove air bubbles.
6. The meter will autorange to the proper range and the reading will be displayed.
7. Rinse the electrode in distilled water or tap water. Replace the cap.



Storing Readings

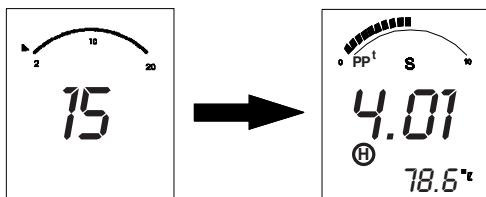
1. After the reading is displayed press and hold the MODE/HOLD button to store the current reading. The meter will enter the HOLD mode and HOLD will be displayed. The storage location number will be displayed on the lower display followed by the reading being stored.
2. Press the MODE/HOLD button to exit the HOLD mode and return to normal operation.
3. If an attempt is made to store more than 25 readings, the stored readings will be overwritten starting with the first reading.



Recalling Stored Readings

NOTE: First ensure that the HOLD symbol is not displayed. If it is, exit the HOLD function by pressing the MODE/HOLD button.

1. Press the CAL/RECALL button and then press the MODE/HOLD button; the location number (1 through 25) will briefly appear and then the value stored in that location will appear. The displayed units will flash, indicating that the storage recall mode is active.



2. The last stored reading taken will be displayed first. To advance to the previously stored readings, press the MODE/HOLD button. The location number is displayed first, followed by the reading stored in that location.
3. To exit the storage mode, press the CAL/RECALL button and the TRACER will return to normal operation after displaying "End".

Clearing the Stored Memory

Turn the TRACER on. Press and hold the ON/OFF button for 4 second the display will briefly display "clr" when the memory is cleared.

CALIBRATION (Salt/TDS)

For the most accurate results, allow sufficient time for the temperature of the probe to reach the temperature of the sample before calibrating. This will be indicated by a stable temperature reading on the display. Meter accuracy verification should be performed on a periodic/ monthly basis as needed. The frequency of the verification will depend on the storage and maintenance conditions and amount of meter use. **If calibration is required, the meter must be in the conductivity mode to perform all calibration for TDS and Salinity.** The meter can perform a calibration and store the data. The automatic calibration recognition procedure will recognize conductivity standard of 12,880 μ S (12.88mS). (See Page 5). Always calibrate in the range closest to the expected measurement value. **For salinity samples within the range of 1.00 to 9.99 ppt salinity, calibrate with a 12,880 μ S calibration standard.**

1. Fill a sample cup to 20 mL line with a conductivity standard.
2. Press the ON/OFF button to turn the TRACER on. Insert the electrode into the standard. Tap or stir the sample with the Tracer to dislodge air bubbles.
3. Press and hold the CAL/RECALL button for approximately 2 seconds, CAL will appear on the display and the display will begin to flash.
4. The meter will automatically recognize and calibrate to the conductivity standard. The display will briefly indicate "SA" and "End" and then return to the measurement mode.
NOTE: "SA" will not appear if the calibration fails.
5. The calibration range indicator will appear on the display.

(H) High Range, 12.88 mS/cm (12,880 μ S/cm)

NOTE: Each time the calibration mode is entered all calibration range indicators will be cleared, but only the calibration data for the currently selected range will be replaced.

OPERATIONAL MATRIX

Function/Resulting Action	Power	Mode	Key Press Sequence
On/Off	On or Off	Any	Momentary press of ON/OFF button
Calibration	On	Con	Press & hold CAL/RECALL button for 2 seconds until CAL is displayed
Store Reading	On	Any	Momentary press of MODE/HOLD button
Hold Release	On	Hold	Momentary press of MODE/HOLD button
Enter Memory Retrieval	On	Any	Momentary press of CAL/RECALL button followed by a momentary press of MODE/HOLD button within 4 seconds.
Scroll Stored Readings	On	Memory Recall	Momentary press of MODE/HOLD button Displays last in first out.
Exit Memory Retrieval	On	Memory Recall	Momentary press of MODE/RECALL button
Clear Stored Memory	On	Any Measure Mode	Press and hold the ON/OFF button for 4 seconds until “clr” is displayed.

Function/Resulting Action	Power	Mode	Key Press Sequence
Change Measurement Mode	On	Any	Press and hold MODE/HOLD button for 2 seconds. Modes will scroll by until button is released
Enter CON/TDS Ratio	On	TDS (ppm or mg/L)	Press and release the CAL/RECALL button twice in quick succession.
Change CON/TDS Ratio	On	TDS (ppm or mg/L)	Press and release the CAL/RECALL button twice in quick succession. Momentary press of MODE/HOLD button. Each press increases ratio by 0.1 from 0.4 to 1.0.
Exit CON/TDS Ratio	On	TDS (ppm or mg/L)	Momentary press of CAL/RECALL button.
Change Temperature Units	On	n/a	Press and hold CAL/RECALL button then momentarily press ON/OFF button. Release CAL/RECALL button after "Self Cal" is displayed.
Override Auto Power Off	On	Any	Momentarily press CAL/RECALL button then simultaneously press and hold CAL/RECALL and MODE/HOLD buttons for 2 seconds until "oFF" is displayed.
Default Reset	Off	n/a	Simultaneously press ON/OFF, CAL/RECALL and MODE/HOLD buttons momentarily. "dFlt" will be displayed.

MAINTENANCE

Care/Storage of Electrode

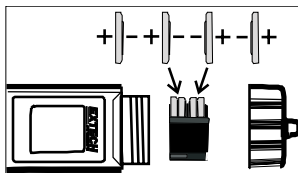
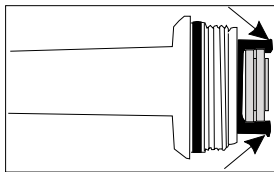
1. Always rinse the electrode in distilled, tap or deionized water between measurements to avoid cross-contamination of the samples. Double rinsing is recommended when high accuracy is required.
2. Store the electrode dry with the cap on.
3. Do not touch the electrodes. Touching the surface of the platinized electrodes may damage and reduce the life of the electrodes.

Electrode Cleaning Recommendations

Do not soak the electrode in the solutions for longer than the recommended length of time. To do so may cause a reference potential shift which will cause a degradation in performance or failure. When cleaning the probe, do not scratch or damage the platinized electrode surfaces. To remove water soluble contaminants from the electrode, soak the electrode in deionized water and scrub with a soft brush.

Battery Replacement

1. Twist off the battery compartment cap.
2. Hold the battery housing in place with one finger. Remove the battery carrier by pulling on the small tabs.
3. Replace the four CR2032 batteries. Observe polarity.
4. Replace the battery compartment cap.



Replacing The Electrode

1. Unscrew and remove the electrode collar. Turn collar counter-clockwise.
2. Gently rock the electrode side to side, while pulling it away from the meter, until it disconnects from the electrode socket.
3. To attach an electrode, align the slots and carefully plug the electrode into the meter socket.
4. Firmly tighten the electrode collar to create a seal with the rubber gasket between the electrode and the meter.

TROUBLESHOOTING

Problem	Check	Action
Reading is frozen	HOLD mode	Press MODE/HOLD button to exit HOLD mode
“BAT” message	Batteries low	Replace batteries
Meter will not calibrate in conductivity mode	Trapped air bubbles	Tap probe or stir sample to release air bubbles
	Dirty probe	Clean conductivity probe
	Damaged probe	Replace probe
	Contaminated conductivity standards	Use fresh Standards
Meter will not turn on	Batteries low or dead	Replace batteries
	Battery polarity	Replace batteries with correct polarity
Unit will not respond to any key press	Internal fault	Perform hard reboot. Remove batteries, hold ON/OFF button down for 5 seconds, replace batteries

WARRANTY

This Instrument is guaranteed to be free from defects in material and workmanship for a period of one (1) year from the original purchase date. The probe is guaranteed to be free from defects in material and workmanship for a period of six (6) months from the original purchase date. In the event that a defect is found during the warranty time frame, LaMotte Company agrees that it will be repaired or replaced without charge except for the transportation costs. This guarantee does not cover batteries.

This product can not be returned without a return authorization number from LaMotte Company. For warranty support or a Return Authorization Number, contact LaMotte Company at 1-800-344-3100 or tech@lamotte.com.

LIMITATIONS

This guarantee is void under the following circumstances:

- Damage due to operator negligence, misuse, accident or improper application.
- Damage or alterations from attempted repairs by an unauthorized (non-LaMotte) service.
- Damage due to improper power source, AC adapter or battery.
- Damage caused by acts of God or natural disaster.
- Damage occurred while in transit with a shipping carrier.

LaMotte Company will service and repair out-of-warranty products at a nominal charge.



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