

# SX731 Portable pH/Conductivity/ORP Meter

# **User Manual**





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#### 1 Brief Instruction

Thank you for choosing Apera Instruments SX731 Portable pH/conductivity/ORP Meter (will be called "the meter" in short in the following content). Before using the meter, please read this instruction manual carefully in order to help you properly use and maintain it.

The meter can measure the parameters of pH, ORP, conductivity, TDS, salinity, resistivity, DO and temperature of water solutions with high accuracy. It is suitable for various applications in different industries e.g., water treatment, aquaculture, horticulture, pools, beverage making, mining, power plants, environmental monitoring, etc., especially ideal for in-field use.

The meter has the following features:

1.1. Built-in microprocessor chip with the intelligent functions of auto. calibration, auto. temperature compensation, auto. salinity compensation, manual baromatric pressure compensation, data storage, function settings, auto. power off, and low voltage display etc.

1.2. Adopts digital filter technology to intelligently improve meter's response speed and accuracy. The smiley face icon will appear when the reading is stable.

1.3. Pure water modes available for pH and conductivity, significantly increasing the accuracy.

1.4 Unique 1-point conductivity calibration covering a wide range of 0 to 200mS, easy to use.

1.6. Meter's LCD screen has clear and bright backlit display.

1.7. Built-tough. IP57 waterproof and dust-proof.

## 2 Technical Specifications

### 2.1 pH

Measurement range	(-2.00 to 19.99) pH
Resolution	0.1/0.01 pH
Accuracy	Meter: ±0.01pH; Overall: ±0.02pH
Input current	≤2×10 <sup>-12 A</sup>
Input impendance	≥1×1012 Ω
Stability	±0.01 pH/3h
Temp. compensation range	(0 to 100) °C (automatic)

## 2.2 ORP(mV)

Measurement range (mV/ORP/EH)	-1999 mV to 0 to 1999mV
Resolution	1mV
Accuracy	Meter: ±0.1% FS, Overall: ±15mV

## 2.3 Conductivity

	Conductivity:		
	(0.00 to 19.99)µS/cm (20.0 to 199.9)µS/cm		
	(200 to 1999)µS/cm (2.00 to 19.99) mS/cm		
Measurement range	(20.0 to 199.9) mS/cm		
	TDS: (0 to 100) g/L; Salinity : (0 to 100) ppt		
	Resistivity: (0 to 100) MΩ·cm		
Resolution	0.01/0.1/1µS/cm 0.01/0.1 mS/cm		
Accuracy	Meter: ±1.0% F.S, Overall:±1.5% F.S		
Temp. compensation range	(0 to 50) °C (automatic)		
Electrode constant	0.1 / 1 / 10 cm-1		
Reference temperature	25°C, 20°C, and 18°C		

## 2.4 Other Technical Parameters

Data storage	300 sets
Data content	Serial number, measurement value, measurement unit, and temperature
Power Supply	Two AA alkaline batteries (1.5V x2)

Dimensions and weight	Meter: (65×120×31) mm/180g Complete Kit: (255 x 210x 50) mm/1490g
Quality and safety certification	CE, ISO 9001:2015

### 2.5 Working Condition

Working temperature	5 to 35°C
Working humidity	≤85%
IP rating	IP57 water-resistant

#### 3 About the Meter

#### 3.1 Screen Display



- ① —— Parameter icon
- 2 Measurement value
- ③ Serial number and icon as measurement to be saved and recalled and indication icon for special states.
  - M+ measurement value to be saved; RM Saved data to be recalled;
- (4) Measurement unit
- (5) Temperature measurement value and unit
- 6 Measurement stabilization icon
- $\bigcirc$  Electrode calibration indication icon
- (8) Indication icon of low battery power; appears when the voltage is less than 2.6V, calling attention to replace the batteries.

### 3.2 Keypad

The meter has 5 operation keys in total.

Short press: press time <1 seconds; Long press: press time >2 seconds

3.2.2. CAL — Calibration key

(a) When in measurement mode, short press to enter calibration mode.

(b) When in parameter setting mode, short press to make changes.

3.2.3. MODE — Function key

(a) In **pH** measurement mode, short press (<1.5s) to switch between **pH** and **mV**. Long press to enter parameter setting (P1, P2, P3...)

(b) In other measurement mode, short press this key to enter the parameter setting mode (P1, P2, P3...)

3.2.4. Backlight and confirmation key

(a) In measurement mode, short press to turn on or off the backlight.

(b) In calibration mode or the parameter setting, press this key to make confirmation, and return to measurement mode.

(c) When in **PH** mode, hold this key to change pH resolution:  $0.01 \rightarrow 0.1$  pH in turn. Release key when you confirm the selection.

(d) When in **COND** measurement mode, hold this key to change parameter in turn:

**TDS** (Total Dissolved Solids)  $\rightarrow$  **SAL** (salinity)  $\rightarrow$  **RES** (resistivity) $\rightarrow$  **COND** (conductivity). Release the key when you confirm the selection.

3.2.5.  $M^+$  — The key for data saving and recalling

(a) When in measurement mode, short press to save the measurement data; Long press to recall the saved data.

(b) When in parameter setting mode, press the key to make changes.

#### 3.3 Data Log, Recall and Delete

#### 3.3.1. Save the measurement:

In measurement mode, when the reading is stable and C stays on screen, short press M to save the measurement data. **M+** icon and the data serial number will show up on the upper right corner. The meter can store up to 300 sets of data.

#### 3.3.2. Recall saved data:

(a) In measurement mode, long press  $\stackrel{M^+}{RM}$ , the meter will recall the last saved data and the serial

number.  $\ensuremath{\mathsf{RM}}$  icon will appear in the upper right corner of the screen.

Short press CAL again, the meter will recall all the data in turn, hold CAL





(b) In data recalling mode (**RM** and serial number in the upper right corner), short press to return to measurement mode.

3.3.3. Delete data:

In data recalling mode, hold for 5 seconds, **CLr** will show up for 2 seconds, meaning that all the saved data have been eliminated. Then the meter will return to measurement mode.

#### 4 What's in the kit

SX731 pH/ORP/Cond. meter *1	201T-S plastic pH/ATC three-in- one combination electrode *1	301Pt-S plastic ORP combination electrode *1
2301T-S plastic conductivity electrode *1	1413µS/cm conductivity standard solution (50mL) *1 bottle	pH standard buffer solution (pH4.00, pH7.00, pH10.01) *1 50ml bottle/each
User manual *1	Screw driver *1 Carrying case *1	Spare AA batteries *2

#### 5 Preparation

What you need in addition to what's in the kit:

Pure water (RO, distilled or deionized water) for rinsing off the electrode.

## **Connect the Electrode**





#### 6 pH Measurement

Short press ON to turn on the meter. Connect 201T-S pH electrode to the meter (See Section 5 for

connection tutorial). The meter will automatically enter pH measurement mode.

#### 6.1 pH Electrode

The meter comes with the 201T-S 3-in-1 combination electrode with a built-in temperature sensor, which enables automatic temperature compensation. <u>This electrode is only suitable for general water</u> <u>solutions' pH testing.</u> Please refer to <u>Section 6.5</u> for ideal pH electrodes to use for other applications. A 3M KCL storage bottle comes with the electrode, which is for storing the electrode when not in use to keep the sensitivity of the probe.

#### 6.1.1 <u>Technical Specifications of the 201T-F pH Electrode</u>

Measurement Range: 0 - 14 pH, 0 - 80°C (32 – 176°F) ; Junction: Single Ceramic Reference Electrode: Ag/AgCl Connector: 8-pin Size: ø12\*160 mm; cable length: 1 meter Temperature unit: 30K Thermistor

#### 6.1.2 Use the Electrode

Screw off the KCL storage bottle, and put it aside (do not dump or spill the KCL solution). Rinse the electrode with distilled or deionized water. Shake off excess water or blot-dry with clean tissue or kimwipe. Stir the electrode for a few seconds after it's dipped into the test solution and then hold it still. Wait for the reading to get fully stabilized ( ) appears and stays) and then take the measurement. When the test is finished, place the electrode in the storage bottle and tighten the cap to keep the sensitivity of the pH sensor.

#### 6.2 pH Calibration

6.2.1 After powering on the meter, short press CAL to enter calibration mode, L *I* flickers on LCD, indicating the meter enters the first point calibration.

6.2.2 Rinse off the pH electrode in pure water and remove excess water, then insert it into the pH7.00 buffer solution, make a quick stir and then hold it still. When the reading is stabilized and  $\bigcirc$  stays on screen, short press  $\bigcirc$  again to finish the 1<sup>st</sup> point calibration. "**7.00 pH**" will start flickering and a flickering  $\square$  will show up, indicating the 1<sup>st</sup> point calibration has been finished and the meter is entering the 2<sup>nd</sup> point calibration.

6.2.3. Rinse off the pH electrode in pure water and remove excess water, then insert it into the pH4.00 buffer solution, make a quick stir and then hold it still. When the reading is stabilized and  $\bigcirc$  stays on

screen, short press **CAL** again to finish the 2<sup>nd</sup> point calibration. **"4.00 pH**" will start flickering and a flickering  $\mathbf{F}\mathbf{J}$  will show up, indicating the 2<sup>nd</sup> point calibration has been finished and the meter is entering the 3<sup>rd</sup> point calibration.

6.2.4. Rinse off the pH electrode in pure water and remove excess water, then insert it into the pH10.01 buffer solution, make a quick stir and then hold it still. When the reading is stabilized and C stays on screen, short press CAL again to finish the 3<sup>rd</sup> point calibration. "**10.01 pH**" will start flickering and then the meter will return to measurement mode.



**(L) (M) (H)** will show up at the bottom left (see picture 4-1), indicating all three points of calibration are finished.

#### 6.3 Notes about pH Calibration

- 1) Keeping the freshness and cleanliness of calibration buffers is essential for accurate pH measurement. The small bottles of pH buffers come with the meter should be replaced within 3 months after opening. The new buffer solutions should be made by a legitimate lab supply manufacturer. Avoid sunlight and air contact when the buffers are not being used, and store at room temperature.
- 2) This meter can adopt random 1-point, 2-point or 3-point automatic calibration. During calibration, short press is to return to measurement mode. When the measurement accuracy is ≤±0.1pH, choose a buffer that's close to the estimated measurement range and perform 1-point calibration would be good. Choose pH4.00 and pH7.00 to calibrate if the measurement range is within the acidity range (<pH 7) and choose pH7.00 and pH10.01 to calibrate if just within the alkalinity range (>pH 7).
- 3) Choose 3-point calibration to achieve a more accurate measurement if the measurement range is wide, or if the electrode has not been used for long. When connecting a new pH electrode, it must be calibrated at 3 points.
- 4) The frequency that you need to calibrate your meter depends on the tested samples, condition of electrodes, and the requirement of the accuracy. For High-Accuracy measurements (≤±0.02pH), the meter should be calibrated before test every time; For ordinary-accuracy measurements (≥±0.1pH), once calibrated, the meter can be used for about a week or longer. In the following cases, the meter must be re-calibrated:
  - The electrode hasn't been used for a long time or a new electrode is connected.

- After measuring strong acid (pH<2) or strong base (pH>12) solutions.
- After measuring fluoride-containing solution and strong organic solution.
- There is a significant temperature difference between the test sample and the buffer solution.

#### 6.4 Sample Test

Power on the meter. Connect the pH electrode and the meter goes to pH measurement mode automatically. Screw off the KCL storage bottle. Rinse the electrode with pure water. Shake off excess water or blot-dry with clean tissue or kimwipe. Stir the electrode for a few seconds after it's dipped into the sample solution and then hold it still. Wait for the reading to get fully stabilized ( $\bigcirc$  appears and stays). Then save the measurement by pressing  $\square_{RM}^{+}$ 

According to the pH isothermal measurement principle, the closer the test sample's temperature is to the calibration solution's, the higher the accuracy of the measurement. This principle is recommended to follow for the best result. For example, if you must test at 150°F, we recommend warming up the calibration solutions to the same temperature before performing calibration in order to get the most accurate readings.

Application	Ideal Apera pH Electrodes
General water solutions	201T-S, LabSen 211, LabSen 213
Beverage, beer, wine	LabSen 211, LabSen 213
Low ionic strength solutions (RO water, distilled water, deionized water)	LabSen 801, LabSen 803
Liquid food (milk, cream, yogurt, jam, sauce, etc.)	LabSen 821, LabSen 823
High-Temperature solutions	LabSen 841, LabSen 861
Low-temperature liquid	LabSen881
High salinity solutions	LabSen 841
Complex and caustic solutions (e.g. electroplating)	LabSen 861
Raw meat	LabSen 761, LabSen 763
Micro sample testing	LabSen 241-6, LabSen 241-3

#### 6.5 Recommended pH Electrodes for Different Applications

Cosmetics, skincare products	LabSen 851-1, LabSen 851-S
Soil	LabSen 551, LabSen 553
Solid or semi-solid samples (cheese, dough, fruits, meat products, etc.)	LabSen 251, LabSen 751, LabSen 753
Strong acid solutions, HF containing solutions (HF concentration<1%)	LabSen 831
Strong alkaline solutions	LabSen 841
Surface test (skin, paper, carpet, etc.)	LabSen 371
TRIS buffer solutions	LabSen 213, LabSen 223
Viscous solutions	LabSen851-S, LabSen 851-H
Wastewater or emulsion	LabSen 333

\* An 8-pin to BNC convertor (AI7103) is required to connect LabSen pH electrode to this meter.

\* Visit <u>aperainst.com/product/electrode/labsen</u> or contact us at 1-614-285-3080 for more details.

## 6.6 Parameter Setting

Table (4-1)

Prompt Mark	Parameter Setting Items	Code	Parameters
P1	pH buffer solution series selection	50L	USA (U.S.A series) NIS (NIST series) CH (China series)
P2	Pure water pH temperature compensation setting	PU I	OFF-On (shut-set)
P3	Ammonia added pure water pH temperature compensation setting	PU 2	OFF-On (shut-set)
P4	Temperature unit setting		°C - °F
P5	Backlight display time setting	6L	0-1-3-6min
P6	Auto power off setting	RE	0-10-20min
P7	Restore to producer setting		OFF-On

#### 6.6.1 pH buffer solution series selection (P1) (a) Long press (MODE), meter enters P1 mode: see picture (4-2). pН SOL (b) Press CAL or $M^+_{RM}$ to choose buffer solution series: (U.S.A series) - 1.68, 4.00, 7.00, 10.01 and 12.45 pH US8 (NIST series) - 1.68, 4.01, 6.86, 9.18 and 12.45 pH Picture (4-2) (China series) - 1.68, 4.00, 6.86, 9.18 and 12.46 pH (c) Press MODE to enter next parameter setting or press 🗱 to confirm and return to measurement mode. 6.6.2 Pure water pH temperature compensation setting (P2) pН ΡЦΙ (a) Short press (MODE) in P1, the meter enters mode P2, see picture (4-3). (b) Press CAL or $M^+_{RM}$ to choose intermation(pure water pH temperature compensation setting) or ΠΕΕ Picture(4-3) and return to measurement mode. (d) The factory default setting is OFF Note: **PI** will appear in the upper right corner of the LCD if pure water temperature compensation



#### <u>setting (P3)</u>

(a) Short press MODE in mode P2 to enter mode P3, see picture (4-4).

(b) Press CAL or  $M^+_{RM}$  to choose inc ammonia added pure water pH

temperature compensation setting) or

(c) Press MODE to enter next parameter setting or press (KITER) to confirm and return

to measurement mode.

(d) The factory default setting is OFF

Note: If the ammonia pure water pH temperature compensation function is set,

**PU 2** will appear in the right upper corner of the LCD when in measurement mode.



#### 6.6.4 Temperature unit °C/°F setting (P4)

- (a) Short press MODE in P3 to enter P4, see picture (4-5).
- (b) Press CAL or  $\mathbb{A}^+_{RM}$  to choose temperature unit: °C or °F.

(c) Press MODE to enter next parameter setting or press to confirm

and return to measurement mode.

#### 6.6.5 Backlight display time setting (P5)

- (a) Short press (MODE) in P4 to enter P5, see picture (4-6).
- (b) Press CAL or  $M^+_{RM}$  to choose the time of backlight auto off: 0 min, 1

min, 3 min or 6 min. The backlight will be closed if choosing 0 min.

(c) Press MODE to enter next parameter setting or press KINTER to confirm

and return to measurement mode.

(d) The factory default setting for P5 is 1min.

#### 6.6.6 Auto power off time setting (P6)

- (a) Short press (MODE) in P5 to enter P6, see picture (4-7).
- (b) Press CAL or  $M^+_{RM}$  to choose the time: 0min, 10min or 20min. The

auto power off function will be closed if choosing 0min.

(c) Press MODE to enter next parameter setting or press KENTER to confirm

and return to measurement mode.

(d) The factory default setting for P6 is 10min.

#### 6.6.7 Restore to factory default setting (P7)

(a) Short press (MODE) in P6 to enter P7, see picture (4-8).

(b) Press CAL or  $M^+$  to choose in, meaning that the parameters have been restored to the producer setting mode, and return to measurement mode after 2 seconds. Returning to factory default setting is to restore the meter to theoretical value (zero potential pH is 7.00, slope

is 100%), and set all the parameters to default settings. When the meter's calibration or measurement is performing abnormally, users can use this function, and then calibrate and test again. Please note that this function is irreversible once used.



Picture (4-8)



Picture (4-7)





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#### 6.7 Cleaning pH Electrode

- 1) The measurement is only as accurate as the electrode is clean. Always thoroughly rinse off the electrode before and after each test with pure water.
- 2) For tough contaminants, soak the electrode in Apera electrode cleaning solution (Al1166) for at least minutes. Then use a soft brush to remove the contaminants. Afterwards, soak the electrode in 3M KCL soaking solution for at least 2 hours. Rinse it off, then re-calibrate the tester before using again.
- 3) For other special contaminants, refer to the table below:

Contamination	Cleaning Solution
Inorganic metal oxide	Dilute acid less than 1mol/L
Organic lipid, protein containing samples	Apera cleaning solution (AI1166)
Resin macromolecule	Dilute alcohol, acetone, ether
Paints	Dilute bleacher, peroxide

#### 6.8 The Self-diagnose Information

During usage, the following icons may show up on LCD. This is the meter's self-diagnose information, which can help you understand what may go wrong with the meter or electrode.

6.8.1. The stable icon **-2.00 pH** or **19.99 pH** — this icon appears when the pH value exceeds the measurement range. This icon will also show up when the electrode is not well connected with the meter or when the electrode is not insert into solution. This is a normal phenomenon.

- 6.8.2. *Err* /-- Electrode offset out of range (<-60mV or >60mV)
- 6.8.3. *Errc* Electrode slope out of range (< 85% or >105%)

When *Erri* or *Erri* shows up:

- Make sure there is no damage on the electrode's glass bulb (if so, an electrode replacement is necessary). Check if there is air bubble inside the glass bulb. If so, shake the electrode with force for several seconds to remove the bubble.
- Check the quality of buffer solution. Make sure it's fresh and clean and conforms to the meter's buffer series setting.
- 3) Set the meter to factory default setting mode (refer to section 6.6.7), then recalibrate it.

If the meter is still not working after the above checkings, it's time to replace a new pH electrode or contact us at +1 (614) 285-3080 or info@aperainst.com for help.

#### 6.9 Notes about pH

- Never store pH electrode in pure water as it will damage the electrode. Always store the electrode in 3M KCL soaking solution (AI1107).
- If you find any air bubble in the glass bulb of the pH sensor, simply shake the probe with force for a few times to remove it. The existence of an air bubble in the glass bulb will significantly decrease the stableness of measurement.
- 3) pH electrode is technically a chemical battery. Every pH electrode will eventually die even if you don't use it at all. The typical service life of a pH electrode is 1-2 years depending on how you use and maintain it. We recommend replacing your pH electrode after one year of use to ensure the best result.
- 4) Always keep the meter's connector clean and dry, otherwise it may lead to an inaccurate measurement. If contaminated, clean the connector with alcohol prep pads and blow-dry.

#### 7 **ORP Measurement**

#### 7.1 Sample Test

Press ON OFF to power on, connect the ORP combination 301 Pt-S electrode (See Section 5 for connection tutorial), the meter will enter ORP measurement mode automatically.

Screw off the storage bottle. Rinse the electrode with pure water. Shake off excess water or blot-dry with clean tissue or kimwipe. Stir the electrode for a few seconds after it's dipped into the sample solution and then hold it still. Wait for the reading to get fully stabilized ( appears and stays). Then save the measurement by pressing  $\textcircled{}_{RM}^{M+}$ .

#### 7.2 Notes about ORP

ORP measurement does not require calibration. When the user is not sure about ORP electrode quality or measuring value, use ORP 222mV standard solution to test mV value and see whether ORP electrode or meter works properly. Table-9 is the data of standard ORP solution for 222 mV.

°C	10	15	20	25	30	35	38	40
mV	242	235	227	222	215	209	205	201

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### 7.3 Clean and activate ORP electrode

After the electrode has been used over a long period of time, the platinum surface will get polluted which causes inaccurate measurement and slow response. Please refer to the following methods to clean and activate ORP electrode:

- In general, soaking the ORP electrode in 222mV for 30 minutes will help activate the ORP sensor and restore its accuracy.
- For inorganic pollutant, submerge the electrode in 0.1mol/L dilute hydrochloric acid for 30 minutes, then wash it in distilled water, then submerge it in the soaking solution for 6 hours.
- For organic or lipid pollutant, clean the platinum surface with detergent, then wash it in distilled water, then submerge it in the soaking solution for 6 hours.
- For heavily polluted platinum surface on which there is oxidation film, polish the platinum surface with toothpaste, then wash it in distilled water, then submerge it in the 3M soaking solution for 6 hours.

#### 7.4 **ORP Parameter Setting**

mV and ORP measurement parameter setting Table

Table (5-2)

Prompt mark	Parameter Setting Items	Code	Parameters
P1	Backlight display time setting	ЬL	0 -1-3-6 min
P2 Auto power off time setting		RE	0 -10-20 min

#### 7.4.1 Backlight display time setting (P1)

Press MODE, the meter enters P1, see details in section 6.6.5

#### 7.4.2 Auto power off time setting (P2)

Short press MODE in P1 mode, the meter enters P2, see details in section 6.6.6

### 8 Conductivity Measurement

#### 8.1 Preparation

Press or to power on, connect the 2301T-S conductivity electrode (See Section 5 for connection tutorial); the meter will automatically change to conductivity measurement mode.

### 8.2 Conductivity Calibration:

8.2.1 Short press **C**AL to enter calibration mode, **LR**L flickers on LCD, indicating the meter enters calibration mode. Rinse off the electrode in pure water and remove excess water, then insert it into the

1413 $\mu$ S standard solution, make a quick stir and then hold it still. When the reading is stabilized and stays on screen, short press (AL) again to finish calibration. **1413 \muS** will start flickering and then a flickering  $E_{nd}$  will show up, and the meter will return to measurement mode. (M) shows up at the lower left corner, indicating a successful conductivity calibration. If the measurement is not stable, you can perform the calibration once again.

Note: Conductivity can only be calibrated under the mode of conductivity. If in other modes, please switch back to conductivity before pressing CAL .

#### 8.3 Sample Test

Screw off the storage bottle. Rinse the electrode with pure water. Shake off excess water or blot-dry with clean tissue or kinwipe. Stir the electrode for a few seconds after it's dipped into the sample solution and then hold it still. Wait for the reading to get fully stabilized ( ) appears and stays). Then save the measurement by pressing  $\mathbb{R}^+_{\mathbb{R}^+}$ . Hold  $\mathbb{R}^+_{\mathbb{R}^+}$  to switch measurement unit: TDS (TDS)  $\rightarrow$  SAL (Salinity)  $\rightarrow$  RES (Resistivity) $\rightarrow$  COND (Conductivity).

Release the button when you make a selection.

#### 8.4 Conductivity Electrode's Maintenance

- 1) Always keep the conductivity electrode clean. Before taking a measurement, rinse the electrode in pure water. It is recommended to rinse it again in the sample solution. When submerge the electrode in solution, stir the solution briefly to eliminate air bubbles and allow it to stay until a stable reading is reached. Conductivity electrodes are usually stored dry. When not in use, store the conductivity electrode in pure water.
- 2) The sensor of 2301T-S conductivity electrode is coated with platinum black to minimize electrode polarization and expand measuring range. The platinum black coating adopted our special processing technology, which improves the electrode performance and the firmness of the coating. If the platinum black electrode is stained, gently clean the electrode with soft brush in warm water containing detergent or alcohol.

### 8.5 Notes about Conductivity Calibration

- This meter has a unique one-point calibration function, to choose the standard calibration solution that's close to your sample's conductivity. In general, the most common calibration solution is 1413 μS/cm. Use the equipped 2301T-S conductivity electrode (K = 1.0). Please choose the calibration solution according to the Table (6-1).
- The conductivity electrode has been calibrated before meter leaving factory. In general, user can directly use it.
- 3) We recommend calibrating the electrode once every month. It is necessary to perform calibration when replacing a new conductivity electrode.

Table (6	3-1)
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Measurement range	0.05 to 20µS/cm	0.5µS/cm to 200mS/cm		
Electrode constant	K=0.1 (flow test)	K=1.0		
Calibration solution	84µS/cm	84µS/cm	1413µS/cm	12.88 mS/cm 111.9 mS/cm
Calibration icon	Ŀ	Ŀ	M	H

Note: When you choose to use DJS-0.1-S pure water conductivity electrode (sold separately, K=0.1, no temperature sensor

built in), you can use Manual Temperature Compensation mode: long press MODE, temperature value starts flickering, press CAL or  $M^+_{RM}$  to change the value of temperature and then press  $M_{ENTER}$  to confirm.)

#### 8.6 Parameter Setting:

Conductivity measurement parameter setting Table

Table (6-3)

Prompt Mark	Parameter Setting Items	Code	Parameter
P1	P1 Standard solution series selection		USA (84µS/cm, 1413µS/cm, 12.88 mS/cm, 111.9 mS/cm) CH (146.6µS/cm, 1408µS/cm, 12.85mS/cm, 111.3mS/cm)
P2	Electrode constant selection	Con	0.1, 1, 10
P3	Reference temperature selection	rEF	25°C 20°C 18°C
P4	Temperature compensation coefficient setting	FEE	0.00 to 9.99%
P5	Electrode constant setting	בב	

P6	Temperature unit setting		°C / °F
P7	Backlight display time setting	6L	0-1-3-6min
P8	Auto power off time setting		0-10-20min
P9	Restore to producer setting		OFF-On

#### 8.6.1 <u>Conductivity calibration solution series selection (P1)</u>



#### 8.6.2 <u>Electrode constant selection (P2)</u>

- (a) In P1, short press MODE to enter P2 mode, see picture (6-4);
- (b) Press CAL or  $M^+_{RM}$  to change the constant setting:  $0.1 \rightarrow 1.0 \rightarrow 10.0$ .
- (c) Press MODE to enter the next parameter setting or press to

return to measurement mode.

(d) The factory default setting of P2 is K=1.0.

#### 8.6.3 <u>Reference temperature selection (P3)</u>

- (a) In P2, short press MODE to enter P3, see picture (6-5);
- (b) Press CAL or  $M^+_{RM}$  to choose 25°C $\rightarrow$ 20°C $\rightarrow$ 18°C;
- (c) Press MODE to enter the next parameter setting or press

return to measurement mode.

(d) The factory default setting of P3 is 25°C.



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#### Temperature compensation coefficient setting (P4) 8.6.4

(a) In P3, short press (MODE) to enter P4, as shown in picture (6-6); (b) Press CAL or  $\frac{M^+}{RM}$  to change the number, the changing range of data is from 0.00 to 9.99; long press CAL or  $\frac{M^+}{RM}$  to change quickly. Attention: When the number set as 0.00, means there is no temperature compensation, for details please see Section 8.7. (c) Press (MODE) to enter the next parameter setting or press  $\left(\frac{\pi}{\text{EVER}}\right)$  to return to measurement mode.



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(d) The producer setting of P4 is 2.00%.

#### 8.6.5 Constant calibration setting (P5), please refer to Section 8.5.

(a) In P4, short press MODE to enter P5, LCD display last calibration constant. For example, 0.96cm<sup>-1</sup> shown as picture (6-7);

(b) Press CAL or  $\frac{M^+}{BM}$  to change number when the number is flickering, and finish setting the constant which marked on the housing of conductivity electrode.



(c) Press MODE to enter the next parameter setting or press  $\frac{2}{\text{ENTER}}$  to return to measurement mode. (d) If you need to do calibration for other conductivity electrode whose constant is not 1.0, e.g. conductivity electrode with constant 10.3, you should enter constant setting P2 to set the constant to be "10", then enter P5 mode and set the constant to be 10.3.

#### 8.6.6 <u>Temperature units °C/°F selection (P6)</u>

In P5, short press (MODE) and enter P6, for details please refer to Section 6.6.4.

#### 8.6.7 Backlight display time setting (P7)

In P6, short press (MODE) and enter P7, for details please refer to Section 6.6.5

#### Auto power off time setting (P8) 8.6.8

In P7, short press (MODE) and enter P8, for details please refer to Section 6.6.6

#### 8.6.9 Restore to producer setting (P9)

In P8, short press (MODE) and enter P9, for details please refer to Section 6.6.7

#### 8.7 Temperature compensation coefficient

The temperature compensation coefficient of the meter setting is 2.0%/°C. However, the conductivity temperature coefficient is different from solutions and concentration. Please refer to Table – 11 and the data collected during testing. Do the setting in P4. (see Section 8.6.4 for more).

Note: When the coefficient for the temperature compensation is set to 0.00 (no compensation), the measurement value will be based on the current temperature.

Solution	Temperature compensation coefficient	
NaCl solution	2.12%/°C	
5% NaOH solution	1.72%/°C	
Dilute ammonia solution	1.88%/°C	
10% hydrochloric acid solution	1.32%/°C	
5% sulfuric acid solution	0.96%/°C	

Table-11 Temperature compensation coefficient of special solutions

#### 8.8 Notes about conductivity parameter setting

When the content of conductivity parameter setting is different to the factory default setting, the correspondant code icon will appear on the upper right of LCD in measurement mode. When more than one conductivity parameter is changed, only one code will be displayed. You need to enter the parameter setting and check the settings content or



restore the meter to factory default setting and set the needed parameters again.

#### 9 Limited Warranty

We warrant this instrument to be free from defects in material and workmanship and agree to repair or replace free of charge, at option of APERA INSTRUMENTS, LLC, any malfunctioned or damaged product attributable to responsibility of APERA INSTRUMENTS, LLC for a period of THREE YEARS (SIX MONTHS for the electrode) from the delivery.

This limited warranty does not cover any damages due to:

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