

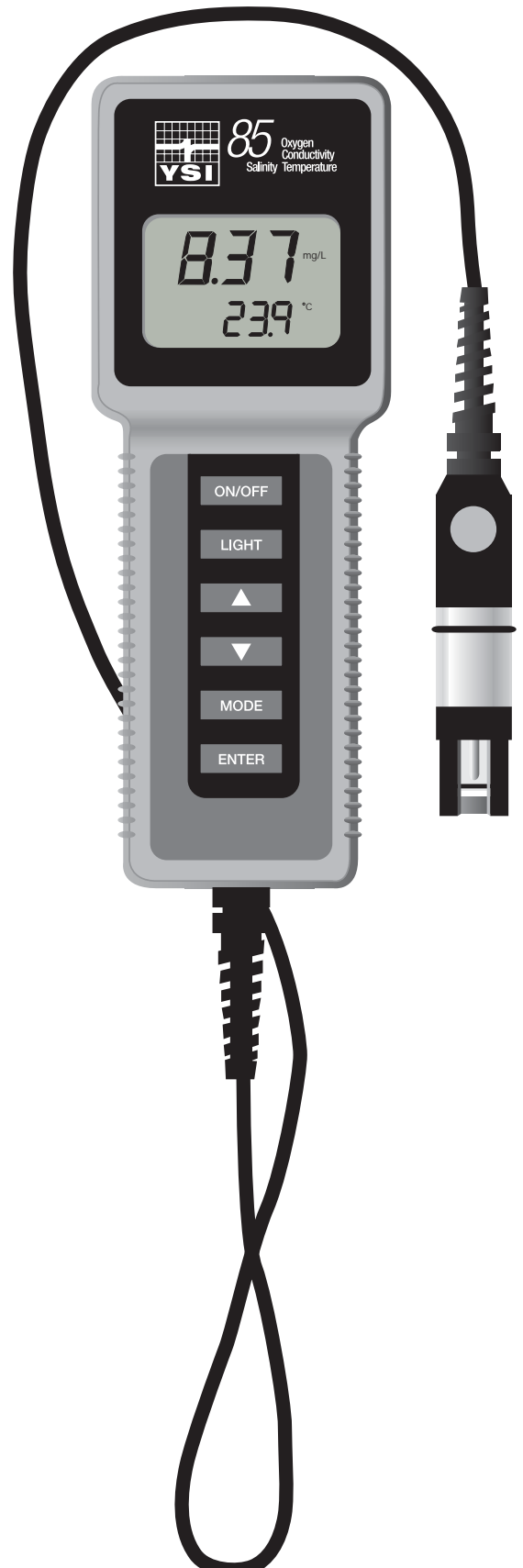
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## YSI Model 85

Handheld Oxygen,  
Conductivity, Salinity,  
and Temperature  
System

**Operations  
Manual**





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# SECTION 1 INTRODUCTION

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The YSI Model 85 Handheld Dissolved Oxygen, Conductivity, Salinity and Temperature System is a rugged, micro-processor based, digital meter with an attached YSI combination conductivity and dissolved oxygen probe.

The YSI Model 85 is designed for use in field, lab, and process control applications as well as for environmental, aquaculture, and industrial uses. The Model 85 is available with cable lengths of either 10, 25, 50 or 100 feet. The body of the probe has been manufactured with stainless steel to add rugged durability and sinking weight. The probe also utilizes our easy to install cap membranes for measuring dissolved oxygen.

The YSI Model 85 probe is a non-detachable, combination sensor designed specifically for the YSI Model 85 Handheld System. The conductivity portion is a four-electrode cell with a cell constant of 5.0/cm  $\pm$ 4%. The dissolved oxygen portion is a polarographic Clark type sensor.

The Model 85's microprocessor allows the system to be easily calibrated for dissolved oxygen or conductivity with the press of a few buttons. Additionally, the microprocessor performs a self-diagnostic routine each time the instrument is turned on. The self-diagnostic routine provides you with useful information about the conductivity cell constant and function of the instrument circuitry. The system simultaneously displays temperature (in °C), along with one of the following parameters: dissolved oxygen in either mg/L (milligrams per liter) or % air saturation; conductivity; temperature compensated conductivity; (in  $\mu$ S/cm or mS/cm), and salinity (in parts per thousand {ppt}).

The system requires only a single calibration regardless of which dissolved oxygen display you use. The calibration of conductivity is not required but is available. A single calibration will adjust the instrument, regardless if you are reading conductivity or temperature compensated conductivity. You can switch between all of these parameters with the push of a single key.

A calibration\storage chamber is built into the instrument case. A small sponge in the chamber can be moistened to provide a water saturated air environment that is ideal for air calibration of the dissolved oxygen probe. This chamber also provides a convenient place to store the probe when the system is not in use, and provides protection for the electrodes within the conductivity probe. The Model 85 case is also waterproof (rated to IP65). You can operate your Model 85 in the rain without damage to the instrument.

Six AA-size alkaline batteries power the instrument. A new set of alkaline batteries will provide approximately 100 hours of continuous operation. When batteries need to be replaced, the LCD will display a **“LO BAT”** message.



## SECTION 2 PREPARING THE METER

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### 2.1 UNPACKING

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When you unpack your new YSI Model 85 Handheld Dissolved Oxygen, Conductivity, Salinity and Temperature System for the first time, check the packing list to make sure you have received everything you should have. If there is anything missing or damaged, call the dealer from whom you purchased the Model 85. If you do not know which of our authorized dealers sold the system to you, call YSI Customer Service at 800-765-4974 or 937-767-7241, and we'll be happy to help you.

### 2.2 WARRANTY CARD

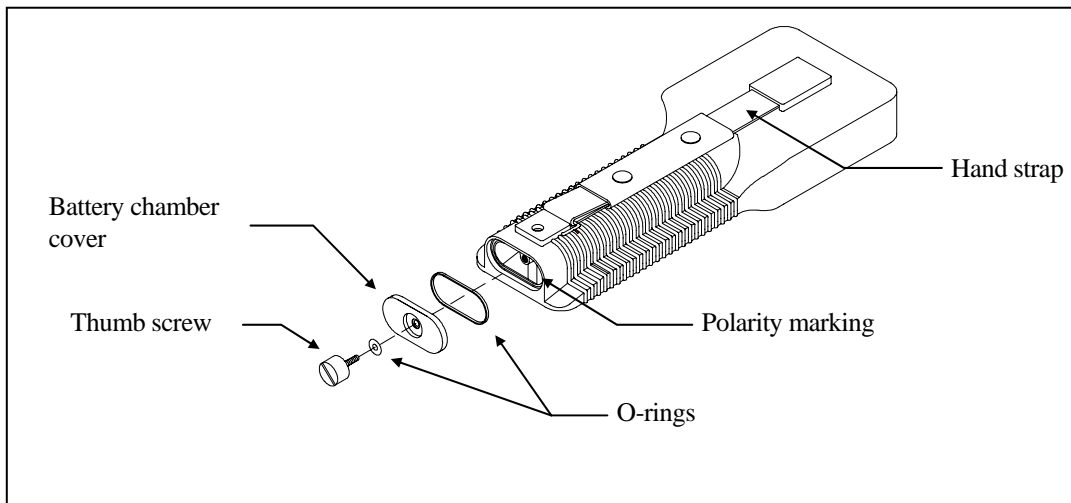
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Before you do anything else, please complete the Warranty Card and return it to YSI. This will record your purchase of this quality instrument in our computer system. Once your purchase is recorded, you will receive prompt, efficient service in the event any part of your YSI Model 85 should ever need repair and we will be able to quickly verify the warranty period.

### 2.3 BATTERIES

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There are a few things you must do to prepare your YSI Model 85 for use. First, locate the six AA-size alkaline batteries that were included in your purchase. Use a screwdriver or a small coin to remove the thumbscrew on the bottom of the instrument. This thumbscrew holds the battery-chamber cover in place. The battery-chamber cover is marked with the words "OPEN" and "CLOSE."



**NOTE:** On some models, the battery cover thumbscrew may be unscrewed by hand (a screwdriver may not be required).

There is a small label inside each of the two battery-chamber sleeves. These labels illustrate the correct way to install the batteries into each sleeve of the battery-chamber.

<p><b>NOTE:</b> It is very important that the batteries be installed <b>ONLY</b> as illustrated. The instrument will not function and may be damaged if the batteries are installed incorrectly.</p>
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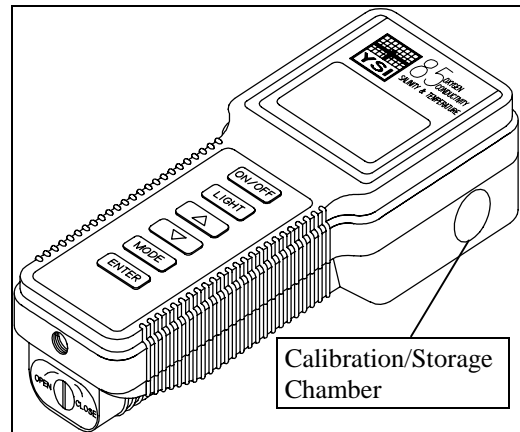


Turn the instrument on by pressing and releasing the **ON/OFF** button on the front of the instrument. The liquid crystal display (LCD) should come on. Allow a few seconds for the instrument to complete its diagnostic routine. Notice that the instrument will display the specific cell constant of the conductivity probe during this diagnostic routine. If the instrument does not operate, consult the section entitled Troubleshooting.

You may also want to take the instrument into a dark room and with the instrument ON, hold down the **LIGHT** button. The instrument backlight should illuminate the LCD so that the display can be easily read.

## 2.4 CALIBRATION/STORAGE CHAMBER

The Model 85 has a convenient calibration storage chamber built into the instruments' side. This chamber provides an ideal storage area for the probe during transport and extended non-use. If you look into the chamber you should notice a small round sponge in the bottom of the chamber. Carefully put 3 to 6 drops of clean water into the sponge. Turn the instrument over and allow any excess water to drain out of the chamber. The wet sponge creates a 100% water saturated air environment for the probe, which is ideal for dissolved oxygen calibration.



## 2.5 HAND STRAP

The hand strap is designed to allow comfortable operation of the Model 85 with minimum effort. If the hand strap is adjusted correctly, it is unlikely that the instrument will be easily dropped or bumped from your hand. See figure on previous page.

To adjust the hand strap on the back of the meter, unsnap the vinyl cover and pull the two Velcro strips apart. Place your hand between the meter and the strap and adjust the strap length so that your hand is snugly held in place. Press the two Velcro strips back together and snap the vinyl cover back into place.

## 2.6 THE METER CASE

The meter case is sealed at the factory and is not intended to be opened, except by authorized service technicians. Do not attempt to separate the two halves of the meter case as this may damage the instrument, break the waterproof seal, and will void the manufacturer's warranty.



## SECTION 3 PREPARING THE PROBE

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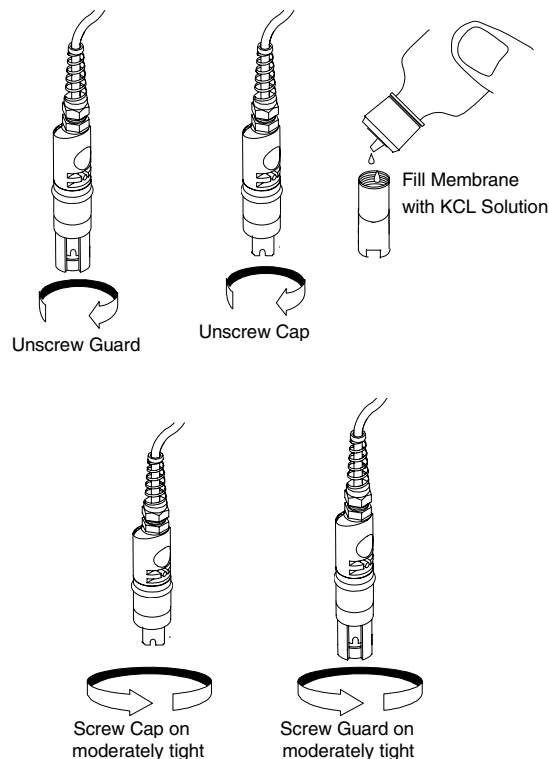
The YSI Model 85 dissolved oxygen probe is shipped dry. The protective membrane cap on the probe tip must be removed and replaced with KCl solution and a new membrane cap before using the probe. Follow the instructions below to install KCl solution and the new membrane cap.

### 3.1 MEMBRANE CAP INSTALLATION

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To install a new membrane on your YSI Model 85 dissolved oxygen probe:

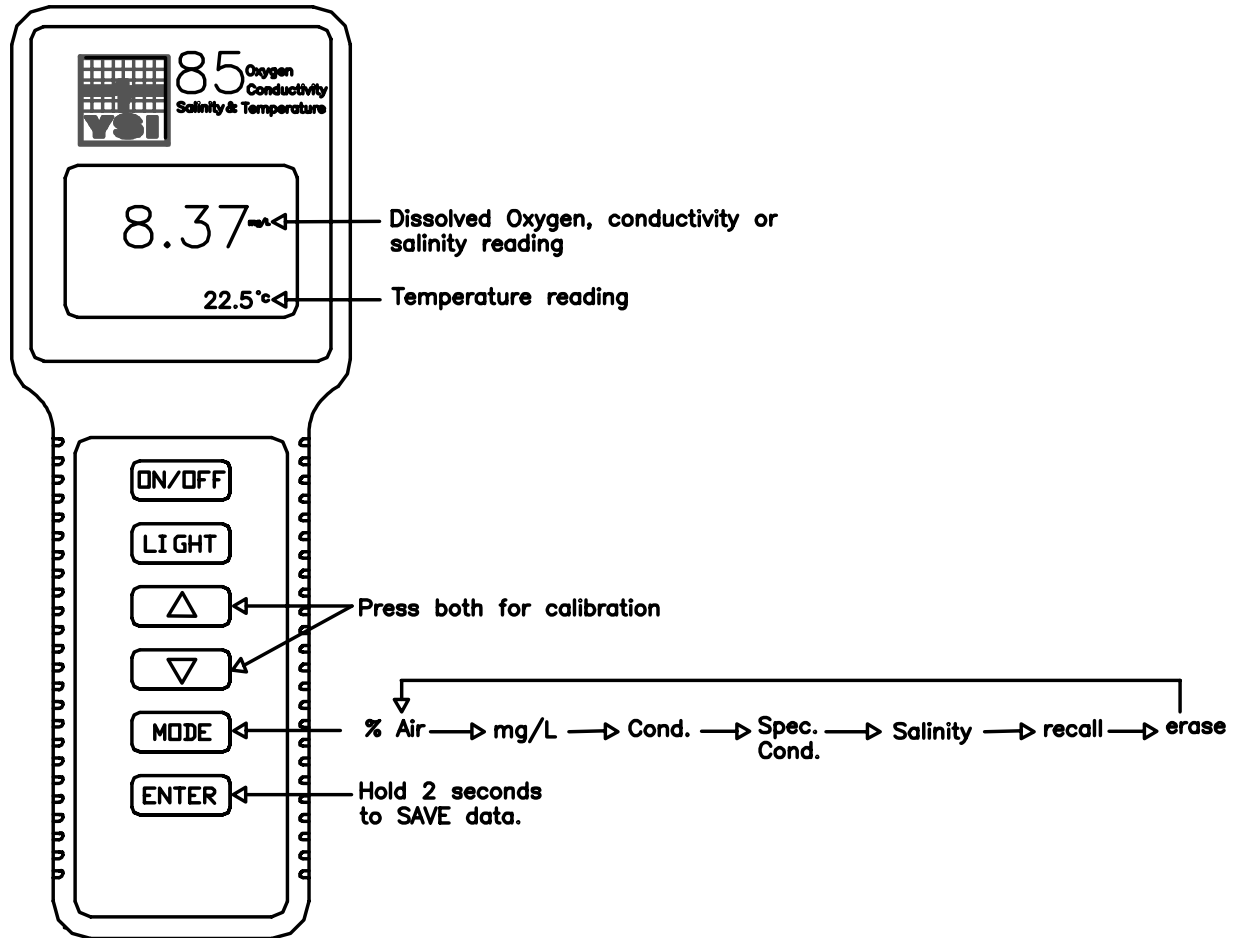
1. Unscrew and remove the probe sensor guard.
2. Unscrew and remove the old membrane cap.
3. Thoroughly rinse the sensor tip with distilled water.
4. Prepare the electrolyte according to the directions on the KCl solution bottle.
5. Hold the membrane cap and fill it at least 1/2 full with the electrolyte solution.
6. Screw the membrane cap onto the probe moderately tight. A small amount of electrolyte should overflow.
7. Screw the probe sensor guard on moderately tight.





# SECTION 4 OVERVIEW OF OPERATION

The following diagram is an overview of the operation of the Model 85. See the following sections for details of operation.





## SECTION 5 CALIBRATION

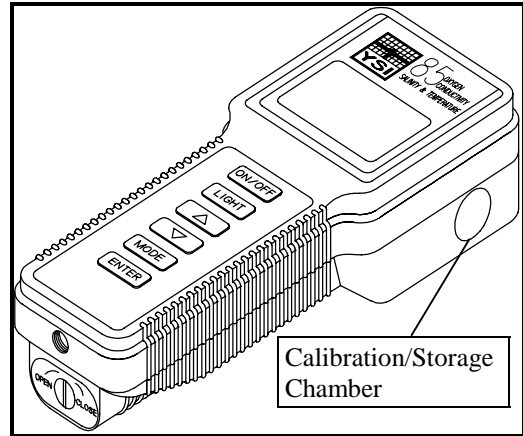
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### 5.1 CALIBRATION OF DISSOLVED OXYGEN

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To accurately calibrate the YSI Model 85 you will need to know the approximate altitude of the region in which you are located.

1. Ensure that the sponge inside the instrument's calibration chamber is wet. Insert the probe into the calibration chamber.
2. Turn the instrument on by pressing the **ON/OFF** button on the front of the instrument. Press the **MODE** button until dissolved oxygen is displayed in mg/L or %. Wait for the dissolved oxygen and temperature readings to stabilize (usually 15 minutes is required).



3. Use two fingers to press and release both the **UP ARROW** and **DOWN ARROW** buttons at the same time.
4. The LCD will prompt you to enter the local altitude in hundreds of feet. Use the arrow keys to increase or decrease the altitude. When the proper altitude appears on the LCD, press the **ENTER** button once.

**EXAMPLE:** Entering the number 12 here indicates 1200 feet.

5. The Model 85 should now display **CAL** in the lower left of the display, the calibration value should be displayed in the lower right of the display and the current % reading (before calibration) should be on the main display. Make sure that the current % reading (large display) is stable, then press the **ENTER** button. The display should read **SAVE** then should return to the Normal Operation Mode.

**Each time the Model 85 is turned off, it may be necessary to re-calibrate before taking measurements. All calibrations should be completed at a temperature which is as close as possible to the sample temperature. Dissolved oxygen readings are only as good as the calibration.**

## 5.2 CALIBRATION OF CONDUCTIVITY

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**IMPORTANT:** System calibration is rarely required because of the factory calibration of the YSI Model 85. However, from time to time it is wise to check the system calibration and make adjustments when necessary.

**Prior to calibration of the YSI Model 85, it is important to remember the following:**

1. Always use clean, properly stored, NIST traceable calibration solutions (see Accessories and Replacement Parts). When filling a calibration container prior to performing the calibration procedures, make certain that the level of calibrant buffers is high enough in the container to cover the entire probe. Gently agitate the probe to remove any bubbles in the conductivity cell.
2. Rinse the probe with distilled water (and wipe dry) between changes of calibration solutions.
3. During calibration, allow the probe time to stabilize with regard to temperature (approximately 60 seconds) before proceeding with the calibration process. The readings after calibration are only as good as the calibration itself.
4. Perform sensor calibration at a temperature as close to 25°C as possible. This will minimize any temperature compensation error.

**Follow these steps to perform an accurate calibration of the YSI Model 85:**

1. Turn the instrument on and allow it to complete its self-test procedure.
2. Select a calibration solution that is most similar to the sample you will be measuring.
  - For sea water choose a 50 mS/cm conductivity standard (YSI Catalog# 3169)
  - For fresh water choose a 1 mS/cm conductivity standard (YSI Catalog# 3167)
  - For brackish water choose a 10 mS/cm conductivity standard (YSI Catalog # 3168)
3. Place at least 3 inches of solution in a clean glass beaker.
4. Use the **MODE** button to advance the instrument to display conductivity.
5. Insert the probe into the beaker deep enough so that the oval-shaped hole on the side of the probe is completely covered. Do not rest the probe on the bottom of the container -- suspend it above the bottom at least 1/4 inch.
6. Allow at least 60 seconds for the temperature reading to become stable.
7. Move the probe vigorously from side to side to dislodge any air bubbles from the electrodes.
8. Press and release the **UP ARROW** and **DOWN ARROW** buttons at the same time.

The **CAL** symbol will appear at the bottom left of the display to indicate that the instrument is now in Calibration mode.





9. Use the **UP ARROW** or **DOWN ARROW** button to adjust the reading on the display until it matches the value of the calibration solution you are using.
10. Once the display reads the exact value of the calibration solution being used (the instrument will make the appropriate compensation for temperature variation from 25°C), press the **ENTER** button once. The word “**SAVE**” will flash across the display for a second indicating that the calibration has been accepted.

The YSI Model 85 is designed to retain its last conductivity calibration permanently. Therefore, there is no need to calibrate the instrument after battery changes or power down.



## SECTION 6 ADVANCED CONDUCTIVITY SETUP

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The default settings of the YSI Model 85 are appropriate for the vast majority of measurement applications. However, some measurement applications require very specific measurement criteria. For that reason, we have made the YSI Model 85 flexible to accommodate these “advanced users.”

If, for example, you are using the YSI Model 85 for a process control application that requires that the conductivity readings be compensated to 20 °C instead of 25 °C -- this is the section to read. Or, if your application for the YSI Model 85 involves the measurement of a very specific saline solution, the default temperature coefficient may need to be changed to get the very best measurement of that specific salt.

**IMPORTANT:** There is never a need to enter Advanced Setup Mode unless your special measurement application calls for a change in reference temperature and or temperature coefficient. Therefore, unless you are certain that your application requires a change to one or both of these criteria, do not modify the default reference temperature (25°C) or the default temperature coefficient (1.91%).

### 6.1 CHANGING THE TEMPERATURE COEFFICIENT

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Follow these steps to modify the temperature coefficient of the Model 85.

1. Turn the instrument on and wait for it to complete its self-test procedure.
2. Use the **MODE** button to advance the instrument to display conductivity.
3. Press and release both the **DOWN ARROW** and the **MODE** buttons at the same time.

The **CAL** symbol will appear at the bottom left of the display. The large portion of the display will show **1.91 %** (or a value set previously using Advanced Setup).

4. Use the **UP ARROW** or **DOWN ARROW** button to change the value to the desired new temperature coefficient.
5. Press the **ENTER** button. The word “**SAVE**” will flash across the display for a second to indicate that your change has been accepted.
6. Press the **MODE** button to return to normal operation; the **CAL** symbol will disappear from the display.

## 6.2 CHANGING THE REFERENCE TEMPERATURE

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Follow these steps to modify the reference temperature of the Model 85.

1. Turn the instrument on and wait for it to complete its self-test procedure.
2. Use the **MODE** button to advance the instrument to display conductivity.
3. Press and release both the **DOWN ARROW** and the **MODE** buttons at the same time.

The **CAL** symbol will appear at the bottom left of the display. The large portion of the display will show **1.91 %** (or a value set previously using Advanced Setup).

4. Press and release the **MODE** button; the large portion of the display will show **25.0C** (or a value set previously using Advanced Setup).
5. Use the **UP ARROW** or **DOWN ARROW** button to change the value to the desired new reference temperature (any value between 15 °C and 25 °C is acceptable).
6. Press the **ENTER** button. The word “**SAVE**” will flash across the display for a second to indicate that your change has been accepted.
7. The instrument will automatically return to normal operation mode.

## 6.3 CHANGING FROM AUTORANGING TO MANUAL RANGING

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If your application is easier to perform using a manual range that you select, the YSI Model 85 allows you to turn off the default autoranging feature. While you are making conductivity or temperature compensated conductivity measurements, simply press and release the **UP ARROW** button. Each additional press of the **UP ARROW** button will cycle the Model 85 to a different manual range until you return again to autoranging. Five pushes of the **UP ARROW** button will cycle the Model 85 through the four manual ranges and return the instrument to autoranging.

**NOTE:** You may see an error message in some manual ranges if the manual range selected is not adequate for the sample you are measuring. If this happens, simply press and release the **UP ARROW** button again until a range is selected which is suitable for your sample. If you get lost and don't know if you're in a manual range or autoranging, simply turn the instrument off and back on. Also note that the conductivity units will flash while you are in manual range. The instrument will always default to autoranging when first turned on.

The four ranges of the YSI Model 85 are:

<b>Range 1</b>	<b>Range 2</b>	<b>Range 3</b>	<b>Range 4</b>
0 to 499.9 $\mu\text{S/cm}$	0 to 4999 $\mu\text{S/cm}$	0 to 49.99 $\text{mS/cm}$	0 to 200.0 $\text{mS/cm}$

## SECTION 7 MAKING MEASUREMENTS

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### 7.1 TURNING THE INSTRUMENT ON

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Once the batteries are installed correctly, press the **ON/OFF** button. The instrument will activate all segments of the display for a few seconds, which will be followed by a self-test procedure that will last for several more seconds. During this power on self-test sequence, the instrument's microprocessor is verifying that the instrument is working properly. The Model 85 will display the cell constant of the conductivity probe when the self-test is complete. If the instrument were to detect an internal problem, the display would show a **continuous** error message. See the section entitled Troubleshooting for a list of these error messages.

### 7.2 THE MEASUREMENT MODES OF THE MODEL 85

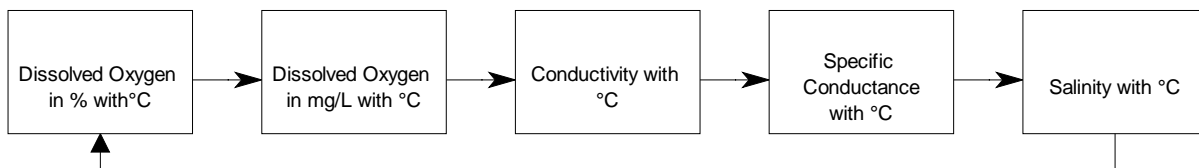
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The Model 85 is designed to provide six distinct measurements:

- **Dissolved Oxygen %** -- A measurement of oxygen in percent of saturation.
- **Dissolved Oxygen mg/L** -- A measurement of oxygen in mg/L
- **Conductivity** -- A measurement of the conductive material in the liquid sample without regard to temperature
- **Specific Conductance** -- Also known as temperature compensated conductivity which automatically adjusts the reading to a calculated value which would have been read if the sample had been at 25° C (or some other reference temperature which you choose). See Advanced Setup.
- **Temperature** -- which is always displayed.
- **Salinity** -- A calculation done by the instrument electronics, based upon the conductivity and temperature readings.

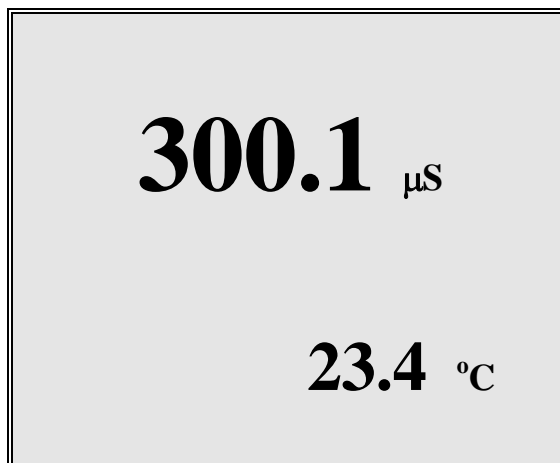
**NOTE:** When you turn the Model 85 off, it will “remember” which mode you used last and will return to that mode the next time the instrument is turned on.

To choose one of the measurement modes above (temperature is always displayed) simply press and release the **MODE** button. Carefully observe the small legends at the far right side of the LCD.



If the instrument is reading **Specific Conductance** the large numbers on the display will be followed by either a  $\mu\text{S}$  or an **mS**. Additionally the small portion of the display will show the  $^{\circ}\text{C}$  flashing on and off.

If the instrument is reading **Conductivity** (not temperature compensated) the large numbers on the display will be followed by either a  $\mu\text{S}$  or an **mS**. Additionally the small portion of the display will show the  $^{\circ}\text{C}$  **NOT** flashing.



If the instrument is reading **Dissolved Oxygen** the large numbers on the display will be followed by either a mg/L or %. It is important to remember that the dissolved oxygen probe is stirring dependent. This is due to the consumption of oxygen at the sensor tip during measurement. When taking dissolved oxygen measurements the probe must be moved through the sample at a rate of 1 foot per second to provide adequate stirring.

If the instrument is reading **Salinity** the large numbers on the display will be followed by a **ppt**.

### 7.3 AUTORANGING & RANGE SEARCHING

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The YSI Model 85 is an autoranging instrument. This means that regardless of the conductivity or salinity of the solution (within the specifications of the instrument) all you need to do to get the most accurate reading is to put the probe in the sample. This feature makes the Model 85 as simple as possible to operate.

When you first place the Model 85 probe into a sample or calibration solution, and again when you first remove the probe the instrument will go into a range search mode that may take as long as 5 seconds. During some range searches the instrument display will flash **rANG** to indicate its movement from one range to another. The length of the range search depends on the number of ranges that must be searched in order to find the correct range for the sample. During the range search, the instrument will appear to freeze on a given reading for a few seconds then, once the range is located, will pinpoint the exact reading on the display. The display may also switch to **00.0** for a second or two during a range search before it selects the proper range.

### 7.4 THE BACKLIGHT

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At times it may be necessary to take measurements with the Model 85 in dark or poorly lit areas. To help in this situation, the Model 85 comes equipped with a backlight that will illuminate the display so that it can be easily read. To activate the backlight, press and hold the **LIGHT** button. The display will remain lit as long as the button is depressed. When you release it, the light goes out to preserve battery life.







## SECTION 8 SAVING DATA

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The Model 85 is equipped with non-volatile memory that is capable of storing up to 50 different sets of readings. Non-volatile means that you do not need to worry that your data will be lost due to a power failure or power interrupt. The Model 85 will also assign a site identity number to each set of readings to allow easy review of the data. This feature is useful in situations where transcribing data is difficult or not available.

### 8.1 SAVING DATA TO MEMORY

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1. While any parameter is displayed on the screen depress the **ENTER** button and hold for approximately 2 seconds. The meter will flash **SAVE** on the display along with the current site identity being used.
2. When all 50 sites are full the display will flash **FULL** on the screen. This message will remain on the screen (even after power down) until a button is pushed.

Once you have acknowledged the memory is full, any subsequent saved data will begin overwriting existing data starting with site #1.

### 8.2 RECALLING STORED DATA

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1. To put the Model 85 into the **RECALL** mode depress the **MODE** button repeatedly until **rcl** is displayed on the screen along with the site ID number in the lower right corner. (see figure #1)
2. Depress the **ENTER** button to review the last set of data that was saved. The Model 85 will display the dissolved oxygen in % saturation and temperature. Another press of the **ENTER** button will display the dissolved oxygen in mg/L and the temperature.

Depress the **ENTER** button again and again to review the conductivity, specific conductivity and salinity readings. All of which are displayed with the temperature.

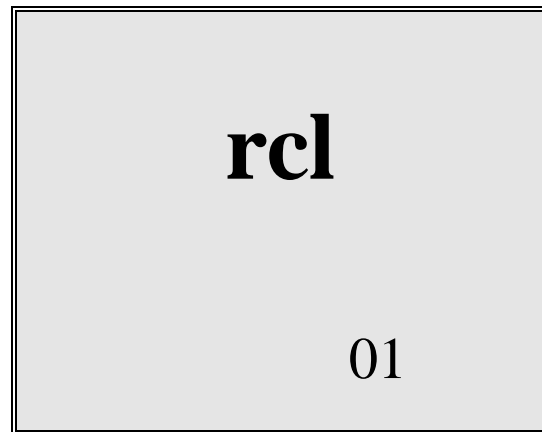


FIGURE #1

3. Depress the **UP ARROW** button to increment through the saved sets of data.
4. Depress the **DOWN ARROW** button to decrement through the saved sets of data.
5. When the correct site ID# is displayed, press the **ENTER** button to display the data.

6. When you have finished recalling data, press the **MODE** button to return to normal operation.

**NOTE:** The Model 85 will recall data as a list. When the **UP ARROW** is depressed the Model 85 will display the Site ID# for the previously recorded date. For example: If you are reviewing Site ID# 5 and the **UP ARROW** is depressed the Model 85 will display Site ID# 4. If you are reviewing Site ID# 5 and Site ID# 5 was the last set of data stored the **DOWN ARROW** button will display Site ID# 1.

Here is an example of the Model 85 memory.

Site ID #1

Site ID #2

Site ID #3 ← If the **UP ARROW** button was pressed the Model 85 would display Site ID #2

Site ID #4

Site ID #5

### 8.3 ERASING STORED DATA

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1. To erase the data that is stored into the Model 85's memory, depress the **MODE** button repeatedly until the Model 85 displays **ErAS** on the screen. (see figure #2)

2. Depress and hold the **DOWN ARROW** and **ENTER** buttons simultaneously for approximately 5 seconds.

3. The Model 85 flashing **DONE** on the display for 1 to 2 seconds indicates successful erasure. The instrument will automatically change to normal operation after completion.

**IMPORTANT:** Data in all 50 site ID's will be erased completely and will be lost forever. Do not use the erase function until all recorded data has been transcribed to an archive outside the Model 85.

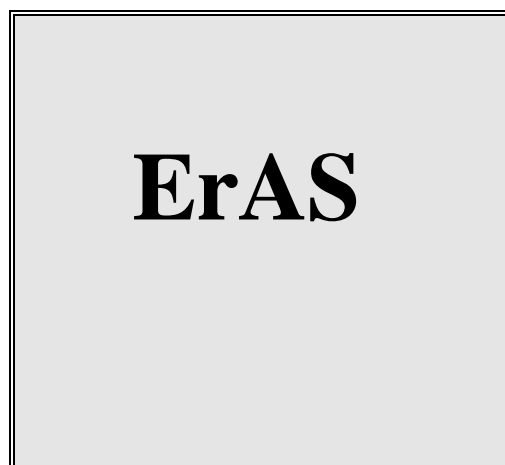


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## SECTION 9 MAINTENANCE

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### 9.1 CLEANING AND STORAGE

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The single most important requirement for accurate and reproducible results in conductivity measurement is a clean cell. A dirty cell will change the conductivity of a solution by contaminating it.

**NOTE:** ALWAYS RINSE THE CONDUCTIVITY CELL WITH CLEAN WATER AFTER EACH USE.

To clean the conductivity cell:

1. Dip the cell in cleaning solution and agitate for two to three minutes. Any one of the foaming acid tile cleaners, such as Dow Chemical Bathroom Cleaner, will clean the cell adequately. When a stronger cleaning preparation is required, use a solution of 1:1 isopropyl alcohol and 1 N HCl. Remove the cell from the cleaning solution.
2. Use the nylon brush (supplied) to dislodge any contaminants from inside the electrode chamber.
3. Repeat steps one and two until the cell is completely clean. Rinse the cell thoroughly in deionized, or clean tap water.
4. Store the conductivity cell in the meter storage chamber.

**NOTE:** See Section 11, Dissolved Oxygen Probe Precautions for instructions on cleaning the dissolved oxygen electrodes.



## SECTION 10 PRINCIPLES OF OPERATION

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The dissolved oxygen sensor utilizes an oxygen permeable membrane that covers an electrolytic cell consisting of a gold cathode and a porous silver anode. This membrane acts as a diffusion barrier and an isolation barrier preventing fouling of the cathode surface by impurities in the environment. Upon entering the cell through the membrane, oxygen is reduced at an applied potential of -0.8 V referenced to the silver electrode. The reduction current at the cathode is directly proportional to the partial pressure of oxygen in liquid (expressed as %-air saturation) which is proportional to the concentration of dissolved oxygen (in mg/L) at a particular temperature. Thus the same partial pressure of oxygen (% air-saturation) in liquid gives different concentrations of dissolved oxygen (mg/L) at different temperatures because of the different solubility's of oxygen at different temperatures.

The conductivity cell utilizes four pure nickel electrodes for the measurement of solution conductance. Two of the electrodes are current driven, and two are used to measure the voltage drop. The measured voltage drop is then converted into a conductance value in milli-Siemens (millimhos). To convert this value to a conductivity (specific conductance) value in milli-Siemens per cm (mS/cm), the conductance is multiplied by the cell constant that has units of reciprocal cm ( $\text{cm}^{-1}$ ). The cell constant for the Model 85 conductivity cell is  $5.0/\text{cm} \pm 4\%$ . For most applications, the cell constant is automatically determined (or confirmed) with each deployment of the system when the calibration procedure is followed. Solutions with conductivity's of 1.00, 10.0, 50.0, and 100.0 mS/cm, which have been prepared in accordance with recommendation 56-1981 of the Organisation Internationale de Métrologie Légale (OIML) are available from YSI. The instrument output is in  $\mu\text{S}/\text{cm}$  or mS/cm for both conductivity and specific conductance. The multiplication of cell constant times conductance is carried out automatically by the software.

### 10.1 TEMPERATURE EFFECT ON CONDUCTIVITY

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The conductivity of solutions of ionic species is highly dependent on temperature, varying as much as 3% for each change of one degree Celsius (temperature coefficient = 3%/C). In addition, the temperature coefficient itself varies with the nature of the ionic species present.

Because the exact composition of a natural media is usually not known, it is best to report a conductivity at a particular temperature, e.g. 20.2 mS/cm at 14 C. However, in many cases, it is also useful to compensate for the temperature dependence in order to determine at a glance if gross changes are occurring in the ionic content of the medium over time. For this reason, the Model 85 software also allows the user to output conductivity data in either raw or temperature compensated form. If "Conductivity" is selected, values of conductivity that are NOT compensated for temperature are output to the display. If "Specific Conductance" is selected, the Model 85 uses the temperature and raw conductivity values associated with each determination to generate a specific conductance value compensated to a user selected reference temperature (see Advanced Setup) between 15 C and 25 C. Additionally the user can select any temperature coefficient from 0% to 4% (see Advanced Setup). Using the Model 85 default reference temperature and temperature coefficient (25 C and 1.91%), the calculation is carried out as in equation (1) below:

$$\text{Specific Conductance (25°C)} = \frac{\text{Conductivity}}{1 + \text{TC} * (\text{T} - 25)}$$

As noted above, unless the solution being measured consists of pure KCl in water, this temperature compensated value will be somewhat inaccurate, but the equation with a value of  $\text{TC} = 0.0191$  will provide a close approximation for solutions of many common salts such as NaCl and  $\text{NH}_4\text{Cl}$  and for seawater.

Salinity is determined automatically from the Model 85 conductivity readings according to algorithms found in Standard Methods for the Examination of Water and Wastewater (ed. 1989). The use of the Practical Salinity Scale 1978 results in values which are unitless, since the measurements are carried out in reference to the conductivity of standard seawater at 15 C. However, the unitless salinity values are very close to those determined by the previously-used method where the mass of dissolved salts in a given mass of water (parts per thousand) was reported. Hence, the designation "ppt" is reported by the instrument to provide a more conventional output. For further information on conductivity and the above standard information, refer to the ASTM document, Standard Methods of Test for Electrical Conductivity of Water and Industrial Wastewater, ASTM Designation D1125-82, and OIML Recommendation Number 56. ASTM symbols for conductivity, cell constant, and path length differ from those preferred in the general literature and also from those used in this manual.

# SECTION 11 DISCUSSION OF MEASUREMENT ERRORS

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## 11.1 DISSOLVED OXYGEN MEASUREMENT ERRORS

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There are three basic types of error. Type 1 errors are related to limitations of instrument design and tolerances of instrument components. These are chiefly the meter linearity and the resistor tolerances. Type 2 errors are due to basic probe accuracy tolerances, chiefly background signal, probe linearity, and variations in membrane temperature coefficient. Type 3 errors are related to the operator's ability to determine the conditions at the time of calibration. If calibration is performed against more accurately known conditions, type 3 errors are appropriately reduced.

**The sample calculations that follow are for a near extreme set of conditions.**

### TYPE 1 ERRORS

- A. Meter linearity error:  $\pm 1\%$  of full scale reading, or  $\pm 0.15$  mg/l
- B. Component and circuitry error:  $\pm 0.05$  mg/l

### TYPE 2 ERRORS

- A. Temperature compensation for membrane temperature coefficient:  $\pm 0.03$  mg/l
- B. Temperature measurement errors: A maximum  $\pm 0.2^\circ\text{C}$  probe error is equal to  $\pm 0.14$  mg/l

**TYPE 3 ERRORS**

## A. Altitude:

A 1000-foot change in altitude is equal to an error of approximately 3% at the 10 mg/l level.

## B. Humidity:

Errors occur if calibration is performed at less than 100% humidity. The error varies with the temperature as follows:

TEMPERATURE	ERROR
0°C	0.02 mg/l
10°C	0.05 mg/l
20°C	0.12 mg/l
30°C	0.27 mg/l
40°C	0.68 mg/l

**APPROXIMATING THE ERROR**

It is unlikely that the actual error in any measurement will be the maximum possible error. A better error approximation is obtained using a root mean squared (r.m.s.) calculation:

$$\text{r.m.s. error} = \pm[1a^2 + 1b^2 + 2a^2 + 2b^2 + 3a^2 + 3b^2]^{1/2} \text{ mg/l}$$



## 11.2 CONDUCTIVITY MEASUREMENT ERRORS

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System accuracy for conductivity measurements is equal to the sum of the errors contributed by the environment and the various components of the measurement setup. These include:

- Instrument accuracy
- Cell-constant error
- Solution temperature offset
- Cell contamination (including air bubbles)
- Electrical noise
- Galvanic effects

Only the first three are of major concern for typical measurements, although the user should also be careful to see that cells are clean and maintained in good condition at all times.

### **Instrument Accuracy** = $\pm .5\%$ maximum

The accuracy specified for the range being used is the worst case instrument error.

### **Cell-Constant Error** = $\pm .5\%$ maximum

Although YSI cells are warranted to be accurate to within one percent, you should still determine the exact cell constant of your particular cell. Contamination or physical damage to the cell can alter the cell constant. Performing a calibration will eliminate any error that might arise because of cell constant change.

YSI cells are calibrated to within one percent of the stated cell constant at a single point. We consider these products to be usefully linear over most instrument ranges. The cell constant can be calibrated to  $\pm 0.35\%$  accuracy with YSI conductivity calibrator solutions.

### **Temperature Error** = $\pm 1\%$ maximum

The solution temperature error is the product of the temperature coefficient and the temperature offset from 25 °C, expressed as a percentage of the reading that would have been obtained at 25 °C. The error is not necessarily a linear function of temperature. The statement of error is derived from a 25 °C temperature offset and a 3%/°C temperature coefficient.

### **Total Error**

Considering only the above three factors, system accuracy under worst case conditions will be  $\pm 2\%$ , although the actual error will be considerably less if recommended and properly calibrated cells and instrument ranges are used. Additional errors, which can essentially be eliminated with proper handling, are described below.

### **Cell Contamination**

This error is usually due to contamination of the solution being measured, which occurs when solution is carried-over from the last solution measured. Thus, the instrument might be correctly reporting the conductivity seen, but the reading does not accurately represent the value of the bulk

solution. Errors will be most serious when low conductivity solutions are contaminated by carry-over from high conductivity solutions, and can then be of an order of magnitude or more.

Follow the cleaning instructions carefully before attempting low conductivity measurements with a cell of unknown history or one that has been previously used in higher value solutions.

An entirely different form of contamination sometimes occurs due to a buildup of foreign material directly on cell electrodes. While rare, such deposits have, on occasion, markedly reduced the effectiveness of the electrodes. The result is an erroneously low conductance reading.

### **Electrical-Noise Errors**

Electrical noise can be a problem in any measurement range, but will contribute the most error and be the most difficult to eliminate when operating in the lowest ranges. The noise may be either line-conducted or radiated or both, and may require, grounding, shielding, or both.

### **Galvanic and Miscellaneous Effects**

In addition to the error sources described above, there is another class of contributors that can be ignored for all but the most meticulous of laboratory measurements. These errors are always small and are generally completely masked by the error budget for cell-constant calibration, instrument accuracy, etc. Examples range from parasitic reactance associated with the solution container and its proximity to external objects to the minor galvanic effects resulting from oxide formation or deposition on electrodes. Only trial and error in the actual measurement environment can be suggested as an approach to reduce such errors. If the reading does not change as the setup is adjusted, errors due to such factors can be considered too small to see.

### 11.3 DISSOLVED OXYGEN PROBE PRECAUTIONS

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1. Membrane life depends on usage. Membranes will last a long time if installed properly and treated with care. Erratic readings are a result of loose, wrinkled, damaged, or fouled membranes, or from large (more than 1/8" diameter) bubbles in the electrolyte reservoir. If erratic readings or evidence of membrane damage occurs, you should replace the membrane and the KCl solution. The average replacement interval is two to four weeks.
2. If the membrane is coated with oxygen consuming (e.g. bacteria) or oxygen evolving organisms (e.g. algae), erroneous readings may occur.
3. Chlorine, sulfur dioxide, nitric oxide, and nitrous oxide can affect readings by behaving like oxygen at the probe. If you suspect erroneous readings, it may be necessary to determine if these gases are the cause.
4. Avoid any environment that contains substances that may attack the probe materials. Some of these substances are concentrated acids, caustics, and strong solvents. The probe materials that come in contact with the sample include FEP Teflon, stainless steel, epoxy, polyetherimide and the polyurethane cable covering.
5. For correct probe operation, the gold cathode must always be bright. If it is tarnished (which can result from contact with certain gases) or plated with silver, the gold surface must be restored. To restore the cathode, you may either return the instrument to the factory or clean it using the YSI 5238 probe reconditioning kit. Never use chemicals or abrasives not supplied with this kit.

**NOTE: Model 85 probes built before July, 1996 (serial numbers starting with 96F or lower), should be cleaned with the sanding disc mounted on a FLAT surface. Do NOT use the curved tool provided in the 5238 probe reconditioning kit on these probes.**

6. It is also possible for the silver anode to become contaminated, which will prevent successful calibration. To clean the anode, remove the membrane and soak the probe overnight in 3% ammonium hydroxide. Next, rinse the sensor tip with deionized water, add new KCl solution, and install a new membrane. Turn the instrument on and allow the system to stabilize for at least 30 minutes. If, after several hours, you are still unable to calibrate, return the YSI Model 85 system to an authorized service center for service.
7. To keep the electrolyte from drying out, store the probe in the calibration chamber with the small piece of sponge.



## SECTION 12 TROUBLESHOOTING

SYMPTOM	POSSIBLE CAUSE	ACTION
1. Instrument will not turn on	A. Low battery voltage B. Batteries installed wrong C. Meter requires service	A. Replace batteries B. Check battery polarity. C. Return system for service
2. Instrument will not calibrate (Dissolved Oxygen)	A. Membrane is fouled or damaged B. Probe anode is fouled or dark C. Probe cathode is tarnished D. System requires service	A. Replace membrane & KCl B. Clean anode C. Clean cathode D. Return system for service
3. Instrument will not calibrate (Conductivity)	A. Cell is contaminated	A. See "Maintenance" Section
4. Instrument "locks up"	A. Instrument has rec'd a shock B. Batteries are low or damaged C. System requires service	A & B. Remove battery lid, wait 15 seconds for reset, replace lid. C. Return system for service
5. Instrument readings are inaccurate (Dissolved Oxygen)	A. Cal altitude is incorrect B. Probe not in 100% O <sub>2</sub> saturated air during Cal procedure C. Membrane fouled or damaged D. Probe anode is fouled or dark E. Probe cathode is tarnished F. System requires service	A. Recalibrate w/correct value B. Moisten sponge & place in Cal chamber w/ probe & Recal C. Replace membrane D. Clean anode E. Clean cathode F. Return system for service
6. Instrument readings are inaccurate (Conductivity)	A. Calibration is required B. Cell is contaminated C. Tempco is set incorrectly D. Reference temperature incorrect E. Readings are or are not temperature compensated.	A. See "Calibration" Section B. See "Maintenance" Section C. See "Advanced Setup" Section D. See "Advanced Setup" Section E. See "Making Measurements" Section
7. LCD displays "LO BAT" Main display flashes "off"	A. Batteries are low or damaged	A. Replace batteries
8. Main Display reads "OVER" (Secondary display reads "ovr") (Secondary display reads "udr")	A. Conductivity reading is >200 mS B. Temperature reading is >65°C C. Temperature reading is <-5°C D. Salinity reading is >80 ppt E. User cell constant cal K is >5.25 F. DO temperature is >46°C G. DO % saturation is >200% H. DO concentration is >20 mg/L	In all cases, check calibration values and procedures; check advanced setup settings.  If each of these are set correctly, return instrument for service.
9. Main display reads "Undr"	A. User cell constant cal K is <4.9 B. DO current too low to calibrate	A. Recalibrate instrument using known good conductivity standard. Follow cell cleaning procedure in the Maintenance section. B. Replace membrane, clean probe
10. Main display reads "rErr"	A. Reading exceeds user selected manual range.	A. Use the mode key to select a higher or lower manual range, or set system to autoranging.
11. Main display reads "PErr"	A. User cell constant cal K is 0.0 B. Incorrect sequence of keystrokes.	A. See "Advanced Setup" section. B. Refer to manual section for step by step instruction for the function you are attempting.

SYMPTOM	POSSIBLE CAUSE	ACTION
12. Main display reads "LErr"	A. In temperature compensated conductivity mode, temperature exceeds the values computed using user defined temperature coefficient and/or reference temperature. B. In cell constant cal mode, temperature exceeds the values computed using user defined temperature coefficient and/or reference temperature.	A. & B. Adjust user defined tempco or reference temperature. (pg. 10)
13. Main display reads "Err" (Secondary display reads "ra")	A. System has failed its RAM test check procedure.	A. Turn instrument OFF and back ON again. B. Return the system for service (pg. 26)
14. Main display reads "Err" (Secondary display reads "ro")	A. System has failed its ROM test check procedure.	A. Turn instrument OFF and back ON again. B. Return the system for service (pg. 26)
15. Secondary display reads "rEr"	A. Temperature jumper is set to °F and reading is >199.9°F but <203°F.	A. Return the system for service. (pg. 26)
16. Main display reads "FAIL" (Secondary display reads "eep")	A. EEPROM has failed to respond in time.	A. Return the system for service. (pg. 26)
17. Readings on main display don't change	A. Meter is in recall mode.	A. Press <b>MODE</b> button to return to Normal Operation (pg. 12)

## SECTION 13 WARRANTY AND REPAIR

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YSI Model 85 Handheld Meters are warranted for two years from date of purchase by the end user against defects in materials and workmanship. YSI Model 85 probes and cables are warranted for one year from date of purchase by the end user against defects in material and workmanship. Within the warranty period, YSI will repair or replace, at its sole discretion, free of charge, any product that YSI determines to be covered by this warranty.

To exercise this warranty, write or call your local YSI representative, or contact YSI Customer Service in Yellow Springs, Ohio. Send the product and proof of purchase, transportation prepaid, to the Authorized Service Center selected by YSI. Repair or replacement will be made and the product returned, transportation prepaid. Repaired or replaced products are warranted for the balance of the original warranty period, or at least 90 days from date of repair or replacement.

### **Limitation of Warranty**

This Warranty does not apply to any YSI product damage or failure caused by (i) failure to install, operate or use the product in accordance with YSI's written instructions, (ii) abuse or misuse of the product, (iii) failure to maintain the product in accordance with YSI's written instructions or standard industry procedure, (iv) any improper repairs to the product, (v) use by you of defective or improper components or parts in servicing or repairing the product, or (vi) modification of the product in any way not expressly authorized by YSI.

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## AUTHORIZED U.S. SERVICE CENTERS

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## CLEANING INSTRUCTIONS

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**NOTE: Before they can be serviced, equipment exposed to biological, radioactive, or toxic materials must be cleaned and disinfected.** Biological contamination is presumed for any instrument, probe, or other device that has been used with body fluids or tissues, or with wastewater. Radioactive contamination is presumed for any instrument, probe or other device that has been used near any radioactive source.

If an instrument, probe, or other part is returned or presented for service without a Cleaning Certificate, and if in our opinion it represents a potential biological or radioactive hazard, our service personnel reserve the right to withhold service until appropriate cleaning, decontamination, and certification has been completed. We will contact the sender for instructions as to the disposition of the equipment. Disposition costs will be the responsibility of the sender.

When service is required, either at the user's facility or at YSI, the following steps must be taken to insure the safety of our service personnel.

1. In a manner appropriate to each device, decontaminate all exposed surfaces, including any containers. 70% isopropyl alcohol or a solution of 1/4 cup bleach to 1-gallon tap water are suitable for most disinfecting. Instruments used with wastewater may be disinfected with .5% Lysol if this is more convenient to the user.
2. The user shall take normal precautions to prevent radioactive contamination and must use appropriate decontamination procedures should exposure occur.
3. If exposure has occurred, the customer must certify that decontamination has been accomplished and that no radioactivity is detectable by survey equipment.
4. Any product being returned to the YSI Repair Center, should be packed securely to prevent damage.
5. Cleaning must be completed and certified on any product before returning it to YSI.

## PACKING INSTRUCTIONS

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1. Clean and decontaminate items to insure the safety of the handler.
2. Complete and include the Cleaning Certificate.
3. Place the product in a plastic bag to keep out dirt and packing material.
4. Use a large carton, preferably the original, and surround the product completely with packing material.
5. Insure for the replacement value of the product.

### Cleaning Certificate

Organization \_\_\_\_\_

Department \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

City \_\_\_\_\_ State \_ Zip \_\_\_\_\_

Country \_\_\_\_\_ Phone \_\_\_\_\_

Model No. of Device \_ Lot Number \_\_\_\_\_

Contaminant (if known) \_\_\_\_\_

Cleaning Agent(s) used \_\_\_\_\_

Radioactive Decontamination Certified?

(Answer only if there has been radioactive exposure)

\_\_\_\_\_ Yes \_\_\_\_\_ No

Cleaning Certified By \_\_\_\_\_

Name

Date



## SECTION 14 ACCESSORIES AND REPLACEMENT PARTS

The following parts and accessories are available from YSI or any Franchise Dealer authorized by YSI.

<b>YSI ORDER NUMBER</b>	<b>DESCRIPTION</b>
YSI 5906	Replacement Membrane Cap Kit ( 6 each )
YSI 5238	Probe Reconditioning Kit
YSI 3161	Conductivity Calibration Solution 1,000 $\mu$ /cm (1 Quart)
YSI 3163	Conductivity Calibration Solution 10,000 $\mu$ /cm (1 Quart)
YSI 3165	Conductivity Calibration Solution 100,000 $\mu$ /cm (1 Quart)
YSI 3167	Conductivity Calibration Solution 1,000 $\mu$ /cm (8 pints)
YSI 3168	Conductivity Calibration Solution 10,000 $\mu$ /cm (8 pints)
YSI 3169	Conductivity Calibration Solution 50,000 $\mu$ /cm (8 pints)
YSI 5520	Carrying Case
YSI 118510	Replacement Probe & Cable Assembly (10 feet)
YSI 118522	Replacement Probe & Cable Assembly (25 feet)
YSI 118527	Replacement Probe & Cable Assembly (50 feet)
YSI 118519	Replacement Probe and Cable Assembly (100 feet)
YSI 038501	Replacement Front Case Cover
YSI 055242	Replacement Rear Case Cover
YSI 055244	Replacement Battery Cover Kit
YSI 055204	Replacement Case Gasket and Screw
YSI 055219	Storage Chamber Sponge
YSI 030156	Main Board Assembly
YSI 038213	Replacement Electrode Cleaning Brush



# APPENDIX A SPECIFICATIONS

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## Operating Environment

Medium: fresh, sea, or polluted water and most other liquid solutions.

Temperature: -5 to +65 °C

Depth: 0 to 10, 0 to 25, 0 to 50, or 0 to 100 feet (depending on cable length)

**Storage Temperature:** -10 to +50 °C

**Material:** ABS, Stainless Steel, and other materials

## Dimensions:

Height:	9.5 inches	(24.13 cm)
Thickness:	2.2 inches	(5.6 cm)
Width:	3.5 inches max.	(8.89 cm)
Weight:	1.7 pounds (w/ 10' cable)	(.77 kg)
Display:	2.3"W x 1.5"L	(5.8cm W x 3.8cm L)

**Power:** 9 VDC -6 AA-size Alkaline Batteries (included)

Approximately 100 hours operation from each new set of batteries

**Water Tightness:** Meets or exceeds IP65 standards

*Extensive testing of the YSI Model 85 indicates the following typical performance:*

Measurement	Range	Resolution	Accuracy
Conductivity	0 to 499.9 µS/cm	0.1 µS/cm	± .5% FS
	0 to 4999 µS/cm	1.0 µS/cm	± .5% FS
	0 to 49.99 mS/cm	.01 mS/cm	± .5% FS
	0 to 200.0 mS/cm	0.1 mS/cm	± .5% FS
Salinity	0 to 80 ppt	.1 ppt	± 2%, or ± 0.1 ppt
Temperature	-5 to +65 °C	0.1 °C	± 0.1 °C (±1 lsd)
Dissolved Oxygen	0 to 200 % Air Sat.	0.1% Air Saturation	± 2% Air Saturation
	0 to 20 mg/L	0.01 mg/L	± 0.3 mg/L

**Adjustable Conductivity Reference Temperature:** 15°C to 25°C

**Adjustable Temperature Compensation Factor for Conductivity:** 0% to 4%

**Temperature Compensation:** Automatic

**Range:** Autoranging for Dissolved Oxygen

User selected or Autoranging for Conductivity



# APPENDIX B - TEMPERATURE CORRECTION DATA

## Temperature Correction Data for Typical Solutions

### A. Potassium Chloride \*\* (KCl)

Concentration: 1 mole/liter			Concentration: $1 \times 10^{-1}$ mole/liter		
C	mS/cm	%/ C (to 25 C)	C	mS/cm	%/ C (to 25 C)
0	65.10	1.67	0	7.13	1.78
5	73.89	1.70	5	8.22	1.80
10	82.97	1.72	10	9.34	1.83
15	92.33	1.75	15	10.48	1.85
20	101.97	1.77	20	11.65	1.88
25	111.90	1.80	25	12.86	1.90
			30	14.10	1.93
			35	15.38	1.96
			37.5	16.04	1.98
			40	16.70	1.99
			45	18.05	2.02
			50	19.43	2.04

Concentration: $1 \times 10^{-2}$ mole/liter			Concentration: $1 \times 10^{-3}$ mole/liter		
C	mS/cm	%/ C (to 25 C)	C	mS/cm	%/ C (to 25 C)
0	0.773	1.81	0	0.080	1.84
5	0.892	1.84	5	0.092	1.88
10	1.015	1.87	10	0.105	1.92
15	1.143	1.90	15	0.119	1.96
20	1.275	1.93	20	0.133	1.99
25	1.412	1.96	25	0.147	2.02
30	1.553	1.99	30	0.162	2.05
35	1.697	2.02	35	0.178	2.07
37.5	1.771	2.03	37.5	0.186	2.08
40	1.845	2.05	40	0.194	2.09
45	1.997	2.07	45	0.210	2.11
50	2.151	2.09	50	0.226	2.13

\*\* Charts developed by interpolating data from International Critical Tables, Vol. 6, pp. 229-253, McGraw-Hill Book Co., NY.



**B. Sodium Chloride\* (NaCl)**

Saturated solutions at all temperatures			Concentration: 0.5 mole/liter		
C	mS/cm	%/ C (to 25 C)	C	mS/cm	%/ C (to 25 C)
0	134.50	1.86	0	25.90	1.78
5	155.55	1.91	5	29.64	1.82
10	177.90	1.95	10	33.61	1.86
15	201.40	1.99	15	37.79	1.90
20	225.92	2.02	20	42.14	1.93
25	251.30	2.05	25	46.65	1.96
30	277.40	2.08	30	51.28	1.99
			35	56.01	2.01
			37.5	58.40	2.02
			40	60.81	2.02
			45	65.65	2.04
			50	70.50	2.05

Concentration: $1 \times 10^{-1}$ mole/liter			Concentration: $1 \times 10^{-2}$ mole/liter		
C	mS/cm	%/ C (to 25 C)	C	mS/cm	%/ C (to 25 C)
0	5.77	1.83	0	0.632	1.87
5	6.65	1.88	5	0.731	1.92
10	7.58	1.92	10	0.836	1.97
15	8.57	1.96	15	0.948	2.01
20	9.60	1.99	20	1.064	2.05
25	10.66	2.02	25	1.186	2.09
30	11.75	2.04	30	1.312	2.12
35	12.86	2.06	35	1.442	2.16
37.5	13.42	2.07	37.5	1.508	2.17
40	13.99	2.08	40	1.575	2.19
45	15.14	2.10	45	1.711	2.21
50	16.30	2.12	50	1.850	2.24

Concentration: $1 \times 10^{-3}$ mole/liter		
C	mS/cm	%/ C (to 25 C)
0	0.066	1.88
5	0.076	1.93
10	0.087	1.98
15	0.099	2.02
20	0.111	2.07
25	0.124	2.11
30	0.137	2.15
35	0.151	2.19
37.5	0.158	2.20
40	0.165	2.22
45	0.180	2.25
50	0.195	2.29

\* Charts developed by interpolating data from the CRC Handbook of Chemistry and Physics, 42nd ed., p. 2606, The Chemical Rubber Company, Cleveland.

**C. Lithium Chloride\* (LiCl)**

Concentration: 1 mole/liter			Concentration: $1 \times 10^{-1}$ mole/liter		
C	mS/cm	%/ C (to 25 C)	C	mS/cm	%/ C (to 25 C)
0	39.85	1.82	0	5.07	1.87
5	46.01	1.85	5	5.98	1.85
10	52.42	1.89	10	6.87	1.85
15	59.07	1.92	15	7.75	1.85
20	65.97	1.95	20	8.62	1.85
25	73.10	1.98	25	9.50	1.86
30	80.47	2.02	30	10.40	1.88
35	88.08	2.05	35	11.31	1.91
37.5	91.97	2.07	37.5	11.78	1.92
40	95.92	2.08	40	12.26	1.94
45	103.99	2.11	45	13.26	1.98
50	112.30	2.15	50	14.30	2.02

Concentration: $1 \times 10^{-2}$ mole/liter			Concentration: $1 \times 10^{-3}$ mole/liter		
C	mS/cm	%/ C (to 25 C)	C	mS/cm	%/ C (to 25 C)
0	0.567	1.88	0	0.059	1.93
5	0.659	1.92	5	0.068	2.03
10	0.755	1.96	10	0.078	2.12
15	0.856	2.00	15	0.089	2.19
20	0.961	2.04	20	0.101	2.25
25	1.070	2.08	25	0.114	2.28
30	1.183	2.12	30	0.127	2.31
35	1.301	2.16	35	0.140	2.32
37.5	1.362	2.18	37.5	0.147	2.32
40	1.423	2.20	40	0.154	2.31
45	1.549	2.24	45	0.166	2.29
50	1.680	2.28	50	0.178	2.25

**D. Potassium Nitrate\*\* (KNO<sub>3</sub>)**

Concentration: $1 \times 10^{-1}$ mole/liter			Concentration: $1 \times 10^{-2}$ mole/liter		
C	mS/cm	%/ C (to 25 C)	C	mS/cm	%/ C (to 25 C)
0	6.68	1.78	0	0.756	1.77
5	7.71	1.79	5	0.868	1.80
10	8.75	1.81	10	0.984	1.83
15	9.81	1.83	15	1.105	1.86
20	10.90	1.85	20	1.229	1.88
25	12.01	1.87	25	1.357	1.90
30	13.15	1.90	30	1.488	1.93
35	14.32	1.92	35	1.622	1.95
37.5	14.92	1.94	37.5	1.690	1.96
40	15.52	1.95	40	1.759	1.97
45	16.75	1.97	45	1.898	1.99
50	18.00	2.00	50	2.040	2.01

\* Charts developed by interpolating data from the CRC Handbook of Chemistry and Physics, 42nd ed., p. 2606, The Chemical Rubber Company, Cleveland.

\*\* Charts developed by interpolating data from International Critical Tables, Vol. 6, pp. 229-253, McGraw-Hill Book Co., NY.

**E. Ammonium Chloride\* (NH<sub>4</sub>Cl)**

Concentration: 1 mole/liter			Concentration: 1 x 10 <sup>-1</sup> mole/liter		
C	mS/cm	%/ C (to 25 C)	C	mS/cm	%/ C (to 25 C)
0	64.10	1.60	0	6.96	1.82
5	74.36	1.53	5	7.98	1.88
10	83.77	1.45	10	9.09	1.93
15	92.35	1.37	15	10.27	1.97
20	100.10	1.29	20	11.50	2.00
25	107.00	1.21	25	12.78	2.03
			30	14.09	2.06
			35	15.43	2.07
			37.5	16.10	2.08
			40	16.78	2.08
			45	18.12	2.09
			50	19.45	2.09

Concentration: 1 x 10 <sup>-2</sup> mole/liter			Concentration: 1 x 10 <sup>-3</sup> mole/liter		
C	mS/cm	%/ C (to 25 C)	C	mS/cm	%/ C (to 25 C)
0	0.764	1.84	0	0.078	1.88
5	0.889	1.86	5	0.092	1.90
10	1.015	1.88	10	0.105	1.91
15	1.144	1.91	15	0.119	1.93
20	1.277	1.94	20	0.133	1.95
25	1.414	1.97	25	0.148	1.98
30	1.557	2.02	30	0.162	2.01
35	1.706	2.06	35	0.178	2.04
37.5	1.782	2.08	37.5	0.186	2.06
40	1.860	2.10	40	0.194	2.07
45	2.020	2.14	45	0.210	2.11
50	2.186	2.18	50	0.227	2.15

\* Charts developed by interpolating data from the CRC Handbook of Chemistry and Physics, 42nd ed., p. 2606, The Chemical Rubber Company, Cleveland.

## APPENDIX C REQUIRED NOTICE

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The Federal Communications Commission defines this product as a computing device and requires the following notice:

This equipment generates and uses radio frequency energy and if not installed and used properly, may cause interference to radio and television reception. There is no guarantee that interference will not occur in a particular installation. If this equipment does cause interference to radio or television reception, which can be determined by turning the equipment off and on, the user is encouraged to try to correct the interference by one or more of the following measures:

- re-orient the receiving antenna
- relocate the computer with respect to the receiver
- move the computer away from the receiver
- plug the computer into a different outlet so that the computer and receiver are on different branch circuits.

If necessary, the user should consult the dealer or an experienced radio/television technician for additional suggestions. The user may find the following booklet, prepared by the Federal Communications Commission, helpful: "How to Identify and Resolve Radio-TV Interference Problems." This booklet is available from the U.S. Government Printing Office, Washington, D.C. 20402, Stock No. 0004-000-00345-4.



## APPENDIX D CONVERSION CHART

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<b>TO CONVERT FROM</b>	<b>TO</b>	<b>EQUATION</b>
Feet	Meters	Multiply by 0.3048
Meters	Feet	Multiply by 3.2808399
Degrees Celsius	Degrees Fahrenheit	$(9/5 \text{ } ^\circ\text{C})+32$
Degrees Fahrenheit	Degrees Celsius	$5/9 \text{ } (^\circ\text{F}-32)$
Milligrams per liter (mg/l)	Parts per million (ppm)	Multiply by 1



## APPENDIX E OXYGEN SOLUBILITY TABLE

Table A: Solubility of Oxygen in mg/l in Water Exposed to Water-Saturated Air at 760 mm Hg Pressure.

Salinity = Measure of quantity of dissolved salts in water.

Chlorinity = Measure of chloride content, by mass, of water.

$$S(^{0}/_{00}) = 1.80655 \times \text{Chlorinity } (^{0}/_{00})$$

Temp °C	Chlorinity:0 Salinity:0	5.0 ppt 9.0 ppt	10.0 ppt 18.1 ppt	15.0 ppt 27.1 ppt	20.0 ppt 36.1 ppt	25.0 ppt 45.2 ppt
0.0	14.62	13.73	12.89	12.10	11.36	10.66
1.0	14.22	13.36	12.55	11.78	11.07	10.39
2.0	13.83	13.00	12.22	11.48	10.79	10.14
3.0	13.46	12.66	11.91	11.20	10.53	9.90
4.0	13.11	12.34	11.61	10.92	10.27	9.66
5.0	12.77	12.02	11.32	10.66	10.03	9.44
6.0	12.45	11.73	11.05	10.40	9.80	9.23
7.0	12.14	11.44	10.78	10.16	9.58	9.02
8.0	11.84	11.17	10.53	9.93	9.36	8.83
9.0	11.56	10.91	10.29	9.71	9.16	8.64
10.0	11.29	10.66	10.06	9.49	8.96	8.45
11.0	11.03	10.42	9.84	9.29	8.77	8.28
12.0	10.78	10.18	9.62	9.09	8.59	8.11
13.0	10.54	9.96	9.42	8.90	8.41	7.95
14.0	10.31	9.75	9.22	8.72	8.24	7.79
15.0	10.08	9.54	9.03	8.54	8.08	7.64
16.0	9.87	9.34	8.84	8.37	7.92	7.50
17.0	9.67	9.15	8.67	8.21	7.77	7.36
18.0	9.47	8.97	8.50	8.05	7.62	7.22
19.0	9.28	8.79	8.33	7.90	7.48	7.09
20.0	9.09	8.62	8.17	7.75	7.35	6.96
21.0	8.92	8.46	8.02	7.61	7.21	6.84
22.0	8.74	8.30	7.87	7.47	7.09	6.72
23.0	8.58	8.14	7.73	7.34	6.96	6.61



Temp °C	Chlorinity:0 Salinity:0	5.0 ppt 9.0 ppt	10.0 ppt 18.1 ppt	15.0 ppt 27.1 ppt	20.0 ppt 36.1 ppt	25.0 ppt 45.2 ppt
24.0	8.42	7.99	7.59	7.21	6.84	6.50
25.0	8.26	7.85	7.46	7.08	6.72	6.39
26.0	8.11	7.71	7.33	6.96	6.62	6.28
27.0	7.97	7.58	7.20	6.85	6.51	6.18
28.0	7.83	7.44	7.08	6.73	6.40	6.09
29.0	7.69	7.32	6.96	6.62	6.30	5.99
30.0	7.56	7.19	6.85	6.51	6.20	5.90
31.0	7.43	7.07	6.73	6.41	6.10	5.81
32.0	7.31	6.96	6.62	6.31	6.01	5.72
33.0	7.18	6.84	6.52	6.21	5.91	5.63
34.0	7.07	6.73	6.42	6.11	5.82	5.55
35.0	6.95	6.62	6.31	6.02	5.73	5.46
36.0	6.84	6.52	6.22	5.93	5.65	5.38
37.0	6.73	6.42	6.12	5.84	5.56	5.31
38.0	6.62	6.32	6.03	5.75	5.48	5.23
39.0	6.52	6.22	5.98	5.66	5.40	5.15
40.0	6.41	6.12	5.84	5.58	5.32	5.08
41.0	6.31	6.03	5.75	5.49	5.24	5.01
42.0	6.21	5.93	5.67	5.41	5.17	4.93
43.0	6.12	5.84	5.58	5.33	5.09	4.86
44.0	6.02	5.75	5.50	5.25	5.02	4.79
45.0	5.93	5.67	5.41	5.17	4.94	4.72

\* This table is provided for your information only. It is **NOT** required when calibrating the Model 85 in accordance with the instructions outlined in the section entitled Calibration.

## APPENDIX F CALIBRATION VALUES TABLE

Table A: Calibration values for various atmospheric pressures and altitudes.

Note: This table is for your information only. It is not required for calibration.

Pressure Inches of Hg	Pressure mm Hg	Pressure kPA	Altitude in feet	Altitude in meters	Calibration Value in %
30.23	768	102.3	-276	-84	101
29.92	760	101.3	0	0	100
29.61	752	100.3	278	85	99
29.33	745	99.3	558	170	98
29.02	737	98.3	841	256	97
28.74	730	97.3	1126	343	96
28.43	722	96.3	1413	431	95
28.11	714	95.2	1703	519	94
27.83	707	94.2	1995	608	93
27.52	699	93.2	2290	698	92
27.24	692	92.2	2587	789	91
26.93	684	91.2	2887	880	90
26.61	676	90.2	3190	972	89
26.34	669	89.2	3496	1066	88
26.02	661	88.2	3804	1160	87
25.75	654	87.1	4115	1254	86
25.43	646	86.1	4430	1350	85
25.12	638	85.1	4747	1447	84
24.84	631	84.1	5067	1544	83
24.53	623	83.1	5391	1643	82
24.25	616	82.1	5717	1743	81
23.94	608	81.1	6047	1843	80
23.62	600	80.0	6381	1945	79
23.35	593	79.0	6717	2047	78
23.03	585	78.0	7058	2151	77
22.76	578	77.0	7401	2256	76
22.44	570	76.0	7749	2362	75
22.13	562	75.0	8100	2469	74
21.85	555	74.0	8455	2577	73
21.54	547	73.0	8815	2687	72
21.26	540	71.9	9178	2797	71
20.94	532	70.9	9545	2909	70
20.63	524	69.9	9917	3023	69
20.35	517	68.9	10293	3137	68



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