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1) Introduction

The OS306-series handheld digital IR thermometer is used for non-contact temperature measurement of metals, ceramics, graphite, etc. in temperature ranges between -50°C (-58 °F) and 700°C (1292°F). This portable battery powered unit displays current temperature as well as minimum, maximum, average and differential temperatures. Other features include an adjustable emissivity, alarm settings and a single laser dot to help locate the target.

1.1 How it works

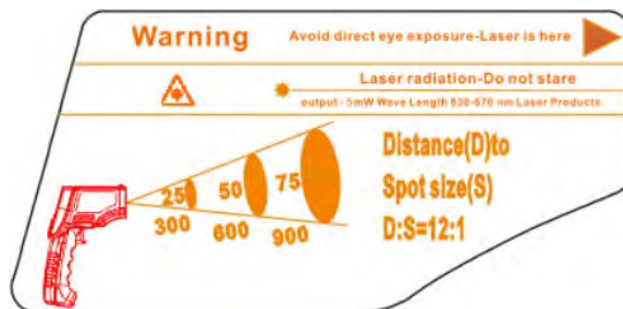
The sensor determines temperature by focusing the infrared energy that is radiated from an object. The focused energy is converted into an electrical signal proportional to the energy emitted. A clean line of sight free of dust or mist is needed between the sensor and the object. For increased ease and accuracy, the laser pointer makes aiming even more precise.

Measurement:

When taking measurement, point thermometer toward the object to be measured and hold the trigger. The object under test should be larger than the spot size calculated by the field of view diagram below.

Field of View:

Field of view, or distance to spot ratio, is the size of an area that can be measured from a specified distance. As the distance from the object increases, the spot size of the measuring area becomes larger. Make sure the target is larger than the unit's spot size. When accuracy is critical, make sure the target is at least twice as large as the spot size. Please see field of view diagram for the OS306-Series below.



Emissivity:

Most organic materials and painted or oxidized surfaces have an emissivity of 0.95. Inaccurate readings will result from measuring shiny or polished metal surfaces. To compensate adjust the emissivity setting to match the material using the emissivity table. Another option is to set the emissivity to 0.95 and cover the measured surface with masking tape or flat black paint. Measure the tape or painted surface when it reaches the material temperature.

Emissivity Table:

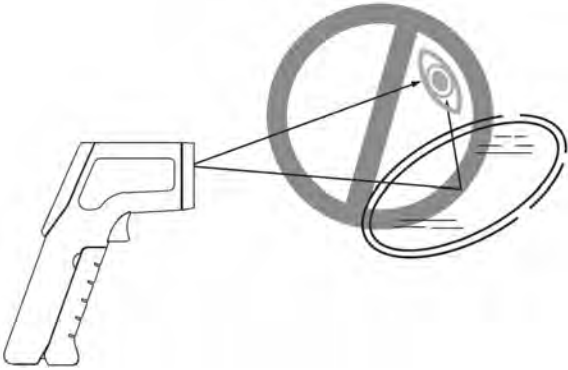
Material	Emissivity	Material	Emissivity
Aluminum	0.30	Iron	0.70
Asbestos	0.95	Lead	0.50
Asphalt	0.95	Limestone	0.98
Basalt	0.70	Oil	0.94
Brass	0.50	Paint	0.93
Brick	0.90	Paper	0.95
Carbon	0.85	Plastic	0.95
Ceramic	0.95	Rubber	0.95
Concrete	0.95	Sand	0.90
Copper	0.95	Skin	0.98
Dirt	0.94	Snow	0.90
Frozen Food	0.90	Steel	0.80
Hot food	0.93	Textiles	0.94
Glass (plate)	0.85	Water	0.93
Ice	0.98	Wood	0.94

1.2 Caution

Infrared thermometer should be protected for the following:

- EMF (electro-magnetic fields) from arc welders and induction heaters.
- Thermal shock (caused by large or abrupt ambient temperature changes allow 30 minutes for unit to stabilize before use).
- Do not leave the unit on or near objects of high temperature.

Warning: Do not point laser directly at eye or indirectly off reflective surfaces!



2) Specifications

Temperature Range	-50 to 700°C (-58 to 1292°F)
Accuracy	±1.5% rdg or ±1.5°C (2.7°F), whichever is greater
Field of View	12:1
Resolution	0.1°C or 0.1°F
Response Time	500 ms
Spectral Response	8 – 14 μm
Emissivity	Adjustable 0.10 to 1.00
Operating Temperature	0 - 40°C (32 - 104°F)
Weight	270 g (9.5 oz) including battery
Dimensions	141 x 200 x 60 mm (5.5 x 7.9 x 2.4 inch)
Power	9V Battery
Estimated Battery Life	12 Hours

3) Operating Instructions

3.1 Battery Installation and Basic Operation

Locate the notches on the side of the unit's handle and pull the front of the handle forwards as shown below (1,2). Attach a 9V battery (provided) to the black connector inside, be sure to connect the positive and negative sides to the corresponding terminals (3). Swing the front of the handle back upwards to close the unit (4).



Pull the trigger and LCD display will turn on and display reading. Release the trigger to hold last measured temperature reading. The display will shut off after 30 seconds of inactivity.

3.1.1 Changing units

- 1) Press the C/F key to toggle between Celsius and Fahrenheit

3.1.2 Back lighting

- 1) Press back light key to toggle the back light on and off

3.1.3 Adjusting Laser

- 1) Press laser key to toggle the laser dot on and off

3.1.4 Adjusting the temperature assistant

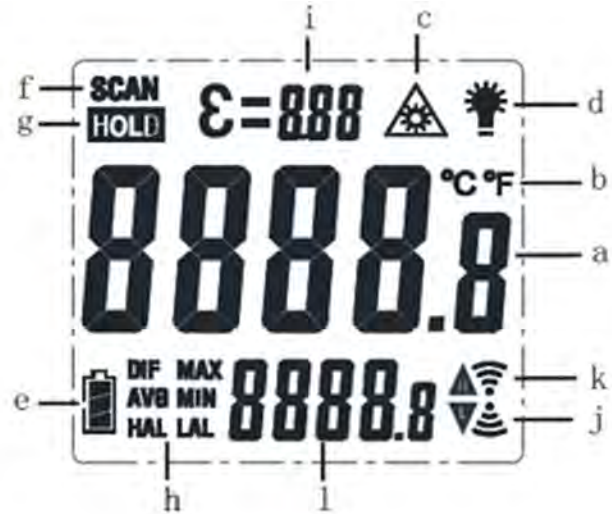
- 1) Press MODE key to scroll through Minimum, Maximum, Average and Differential temperatures as well as Low Alarm and High Alarm values.

3.1.5 Changing Emissivity and Alarm values

- 1) Press and hold MODE key for 3 seconds to change emissivity and alarm values
- 2) Press the MODE key once to change emissivity, twice to change the low alarm value and three key presses to change the high alarm value
- 3) Press the ▲ key to increase the value and ▼ key to decrease the value
- 4) Press the MODE key to store the new value
- 5) Press and hold the MODE key for 3 seconds to return

3.2 LCD Display

- a: temperature measuring reading
- b: measuring unit
- c: laser on icon
- d: back light on icon
- e: battery power icon
- f: scanning icon
- g: data hold icon
- h: mode indicator
- i: emissivity indicator
- j: low temperature alarm icon
- k: high temperature alarm icon
- l: temperature assistant



3.3 Locating a Hotspot

To find a hot spot aim the thermometer outside the area of interest, then scan across with up and down motions until you locate the hot spot. (turn on the laser for accurate measuring)

3.4 Keypad and components

- (1) Trigger
- (2) Back light key
- (3) Mode key
- (4) Laser light key
- (5) Function keys
- (6) Celsius / Fahrenheit key
- (7) Display
- (8) Laser
- (9) Model Identification
- (10) Battery Cover



4) Maintenance

- 1) Lens cleaning : blow off loose particles using clean compressed air.
Gently brush remaining debris away with a moist cotton cloth.
- 2) Case cleaning: clean the case with a damp sponge/cloth and mild soap.

Note: Do not use solvent to clean lens and do not submerge the unit into water or any other liquid

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