



# TC-3000 Tri-Meters



*All in One!*

Turbidity,  
Chlorine,  
& Color

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## GENERAL INFORMATION

### Packaging and Delivery

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Experienced packaging personnel at LaMotte Company assure adequate protection against normal hazards encountered in transportation of shipments.

After the product leaves LaMotte Company, all responsibility for safe delivery is assured by the transportation company. Damage claims must be filed immediately with the transportation company to receive compensation for damaged goods.

### General Precautions

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**READ THE INSTRUCTION MANUAL BEFORE ATTEMPTING TO SET UP OR OPERATE THE METER.** Failure to do so could result in personal injury or damage to the meter. The meter should not be used or stored in a wet or corrosive environment. Care should be taken to prevent water from wet tubes from entering the meter chamber.

NEVER PUT WET TUBES IN THE METER.

### Safety Precautions

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Read the label on all reagent containers. Some labels include precautionary notices and first aid information. Certain reagents are considered potential health hazards and are designated with a \* in the instruction manual. To view or print a Material Safety Data Sheet (MSDS) for these reagents see MSDS CD or our web site, [www.lamotte.com](http://www.lamotte.com). To obtain a printed copy, contact us by e-mail, phone or FAX. Additional information for all LaMotte reagents is available in the United States, Canada, Puerto Rico, and the US Virgin Islands from Chem-Tel by calling 1-800-255-3924. For other areas, call 813-248-0585 collect to contact Chem-Tel's International access number. Each reagent can be identified by the four-digit number listed on the upper left corner of the reagent label, in the content list and in the test procedures.

### Limits of Liability

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Under no circumstances shall LaMotte Company be liable for loss of life, property, profits, or other damages incurred through the use or misuse of their products.

## Specifications- TC-3000e and TC-3000i

Instrument Type:	Turbidity:	Nephelometer
	Color:	Colorimeter
	Chlorine:	Colorimeter
Standard:	Turbidity:	EPA 180.1, TC-3000e ISO7027, TC-3000i
	Color:	Adapted from Standard Methods 2120B
	Chlorine:	Standard Methods 4500-CL G
Units of Measure:	Turbidity:	NTU (Nephelometric Turbidity Units) FNU (Formazin Nephelometric Units) ASBC (American Society of Brewing Chemists) EBC (European Brewery Convention) FAU (Formazin Attenuation Unit)
	Color:	Platinum Cobalt Color Units (cu)
	Chlorine:	Parts Per Million (ppm), Milligrams Per Liter (mg/L)
Range:	Turbidity:	0-2000 NTU, 0-2000 FNU, 40-4000 FAU, 0-35000 ASBC, 0-500 EBC
	Color:	0.0–500.0 cu
	Chlorine:	0.00–10.00 ppm free and total chlorine
Range Selection:	Turbidity:	Automatic, TC-3000e, Automatic, TC-3000i
	Color:	Automatic, TC-3000e, Automatic, TC-3000i
	Chlorine:	Automatic, TC-3000e, Automatic, TC-3000i
Resolution: (display)	Turbidity:	0.01 NTU, 0–10.99 NTU Range 0.1 NTU, 11–109.99 NTU Range 1 NTU, 110–4000 NTU Range
	Color:	0.1 cu, 0–99.9 cu Range 1 cu, 100–500 cu Range
	Chlorine:	0.01 ppm, 0–5 ppm Range 0.1 ppm, 5–10 ppm Range
Accuracy:	Turbidity:	$\pm 0.05$ or $\pm 2\%$ of reading, whichever is greater, below 100 NTU $\pm 3\%$ of reading, above 100 NTU
	Color:	$\pm 0.5$ cu or $\pm 2\%$ , whichever is greater
	Chlorine:	$\pm 0.02\%$ ppm or $2\%$ , whichever is greater, 0-5 ppm Range, $\pm 10\%$ , 5–10 ppm Range
Detection Limit:	Turbidity:	0.05 NTU
	Color:	0.2 NTU
	Chlorine:	0.02 ppm
Light Source:	Turbidity:	Tungsten lamp 2300°C $\pm 50$ °C, TC-3000e; IR LED 860 nm $\pm 10$ nm spectral bandwidth 50 nm, TC-3000i
	Color:	375 $\pm 5$ nm UV LED
	Chlorine:	525 $\pm 2$ nm LED

Detector:	Turbidity: Photodiode, centered at 90°, maximum peak 550 nm, TC-3000e; Photodiode, centered at 90° TC-3000i Color: Photodiode Chlorine: Photodiode
Light Source Stabilization:	Automatic
Response Time:	<5 seconds
Signal Averaging:	Turbidity and color
Sample Chamber:	Accepts 25 mm flat-bottomed test tubes
Sample:	10 mL in capped tube
Display:	Graphic Liquid Crystal Display
Software:	Data Logging: 4004 points Auto Shut-off: 5, 10, 30 min, disabled Calibration: Field adjustable, 2-points
Languages:	English, French, Spanish, Japanese (Kana), Portuguese, Italian
Temperature:	Operation: 0–50 °C; Storage: -40–60 °C
Operation Humidity Range:	0–90 % RH, non-condensing
Auto Shutdown:	0, 5, 10 or 30 minutes
Power Source*:	Battery Operation: 9 volt alkaline Line Operation: Input: 100-240VAC/50-60Hz with imbedded IEC socket (2 pin) Output: 9VDC REG 1.2A with 2.1 x 5.5 mm output plug center positive
Battery Life:	>250 tests, TC-3000e >2500 tests, TC-3000i (with signal averaging disabled)
Dimensions (L x W x H):	8.5 x 16.2 x 16.7 cm; 3.4 x 6.4 x 2.6 inches
Weight:	339 g, 12 oz (meter only)
Serial Interface:	RS232, 8 pin mDIN, 9600b, 8, 1, n

\*CE Mark: The device complies to the product specifications for the Low Voltage Directive when furnished with the 100-240V AC Adapter (Code 1754).

## Statistical and Technical Definitions Related to Product Specifications . . . . .

**Method Detection Limit (MDL):** "The method detection limit (MDL) is defined as the minimum concentration of a substance that can be measured and reported with 99% confidence that the analyte concentration is greater than zero and is determined from analysis of a sample in a given matrix containing the analyte."<sup>1</sup> Note that, "As Dr. William Horwitz once stated, 'In almost all cases when dealing with a limit of detection or limit of determination, the primary purpose of determining that limit is to stay away from it.'"<sup>2</sup>

**Accuracy:** Accuracy is the nearness of a measurement to the accepted or true value.<sup>3</sup> The accuracy can be expressed as a range, about the true value, in which a measurement occurs (i.e.  $\pm 0.5$  ppm). It can also be expressed as the % recovery of a known amount of analyte in a determination of the analyte (i.e. 103.5 %).

**Resolution:** Resolution is the smallest discernible difference between any two measurements that can be made.<sup>4</sup> For meters this is usually how many decimal places are displayed. (i.e. 0.01). Note that the resolution may change with concentration or range. In some cases the resolution may be less than the smallest interval, if it is possible to make a reading that falls between calibration marks. *A word of caution, that resolution has very little relationship to accuracy or precision. The resolution will always be less than the accuracy or precision but it is not a statistical measure of how well a method of analysis works. The resolution can be very, very good and the accuracy and precision can be very bad! This is not a useful measure of the performance of a test method.*

**Repeatability:** Repeatability is the within-run precision.<sup>5</sup> A run is a single data set, from set up to clean up. Generally, one run occurs on one day. However, for meter calibrations, a single calibration is considered a single run or data set, even though it may take 2 or 3 days.

**Reproducibility:** Reproducibility is the between-run precision.<sup>6</sup>

**Detection Limit (DL):** The detection limit (DL) for the TC-3000 is defined as the minimum value or concentration that can be determined by the meter, which is greater than zero, independent of matrix, glassware, and other sample handling sources of error. It is the detection limit for the optical system of the meter.

<sup>1</sup> CFR 40, part 136, appendix B

<sup>2</sup> Statistics in Analytical Chemistry: Part 7 – A Review, D. Coleman and L Vanatta, American Laboratory, Sept 2003, P. 31.

<sup>3</sup> Skoog, D.A., West, D. M., *Fundamental of Analytical Chemistry*, 2<sup>nd</sup> ed., Holt Rinehart and Winston, Inc, 1969, p. 26.

<sup>4</sup> Statistics in Analytical Chemistry: Part 7 – A Review, D. Coleman and L Vanatta, American Laboratory, Sept 2003, P. 34.

<sup>5</sup> Jeffery G. H., Basset J., Mendham J., Denney R. C., *Vogel's Textbook of Quantitative Chemical Analysis*, 5<sup>th</sup> ed., Longman Scientific & Technical, 1989, p. 130.

<sup>6</sup> Jeffery G. H., Basset J., Mendham J., Denney R. C., *Vogel's Textbook of Quantitative Chemical Analysis*, 5<sup>th</sup> ed., Longman Scientific & Technical, 1989, p. 130



## Contents and Accessories

	TC-3000e Trimeter Kit EPA Version Code 1964-EPA	TC-3000i Trimeter Kit ISO Version Code 1964-ISO
<b>CONTENTS</b>	Code	Code
0 NTU Standard, 60 mL	1480	1480
1 NTU Standard, 60 mL	1484	1481
10 NTU Standard, 60 mL	1485	1482
*Chlorine DPD #1; Instrument Grade Tablets, 100	*6903A-J	*6903A-J
*Chlorine DPD #3; Instrument Grade Tablets, 100	*6197A-J	*6197A-J
Tablet Crusher	0175	0175
Water Sample Bottle, 60 mL	0688	0688
Tubes, 4 (Two with tube positioning ring)	—	—
Battery, 9V	—	—

\* Warning: Reagents marked with an \* are considered a potential health hazard. To view or print a Material Safety Data Sheet (MSDS) for these reagents see MSDS CD or our web site. To obtain a printed copy, contact us by e-mail, phone or fax.

## ACCESSORIES

1486	100 NTU Standard, 60 mL (EPA)
1483	100 NTU Standard, 60 mL (ISO)
6197-L	Chlorine DPD #1 Instrument Grade Tablets, 500 Tablets
6197-M	Chlorine DPD #1 Instrument Grade Tablets, 1000 Tablets
6903-L	Chlorine DPD #3 Instrument Grade Tablets, 500 Tablets
6903-M	Chlorine DPD #3 Instrument Grade Tablets, 1000 Tablets
P-6740-G	DPD #1A Free Chlorine Reagent, 30 mL
P-6740-H	DPD #1A Free Chlorine Reagent, 60 mL
P-6741-G	DPD #1B Free Chlorine Reagent, 30 mL
P-6741-H	DPD #1B Free Chlorine Reagent, 60 mL
P-6743-G	DPD #3 Total Chlorine Reagent, 30 mL
P-6743-H	DPD #3 Total Chlorine Reagent, 60 mL
0475	Tubes, Code 0290, Set of 6
0642	Tube Positioning Ring, Pack of 2
6973-H	Chlorine Standard, 250 ppm, 60 mL
3176-01	Chlorine Titration Kit, 0–10 ppm
4140	Chlorine Secondary Standards, Set of 4
6058-H	Color Standard, 500 Color Units, 60 mL
4185	Turbidity-Free Water Kit
2-2097	Filters, 0.1 micron, Pack of 50
1772	Interface Cable, RS232
1754	AC Adapter, 9V (variable 100-240V)
1912-3 or 1912-CD	SMARTLink 2 Software and Interface Cable

## EPA Compliance

The TC-3000e meter meets or exceeds EPA design specifications for NPDWR and NPDES turbidity monitoring programs as specified by the USEPA method 180.1.



## ISO Compliance

This TC-3000i meter meets or exceeds ISO design criteria for quantitative methods of turbidity using optical turbidimeters as specified by ISO 7027.



## CE Compliance

The TC-3000e and TC-3000i meters have been independently tested and have earned the European CE Mark of compliance for electromagnetic compatibility and safety.



To view certificates of compliance, see our website [www.lamotte.com](http://www.lamotte.com)

NOTE: The device complies to the product specifications for the Low Voltage Directive when furnished with the AC Adapter (Code 1754).

## Warranty

The TC-3000e and TC-3000i meters are guaranteed to be free of defects in material and workmanship for two years from original purchase date. If within that time the meters are found to be defective, they will be repaired without charge except for transportation costs. The guarantee does not cover batteries.



# GENERAL OPERATING INFORMATION

## Overview

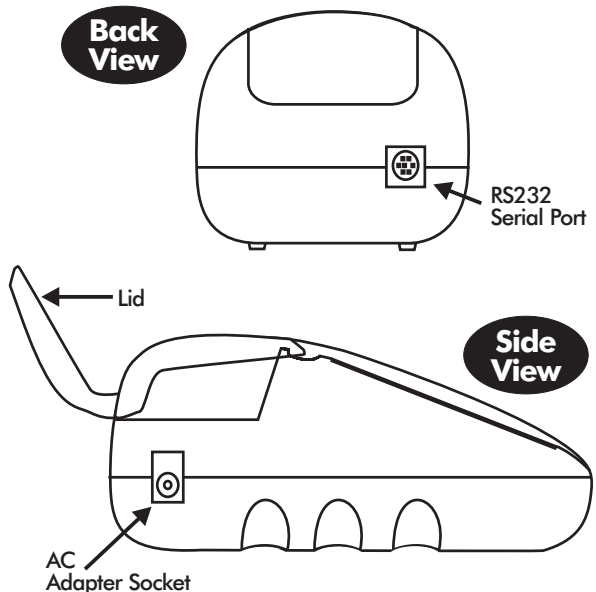
The TC-3000 is a portable, microprocessor controlled, direct reading colorimeter and nephelometer. Turbidity is measure directly by either EPA Method 180.1 or ISO Method 7027. Color is measured directly in terms of platinum/cobalt color units. Chlorine is determined by reaction with DPD reagents, followed by colorimetric measurement of the reaction. It has a graphical liquid crystal display and 6 button keypad. These allow the user to select options from the menu driven software, to directly read test results, or to review stored results of previous tests in the data logger. The menus can be displayed in six different languages.

The TC-3000 uses a state of the art, multi-detector micro optical configuration for each test factor that assures long term stability of calibrations, high precision and accuracy, and low detection limits. All readings are determined by sophisticated digital signal processing algorithms, minimizing fluctuations in readings and enabling rapid, repeatable measurements. The microprocessor and optics enable a dynamic range and auto-ranging over several ranges for each test factor. Energy efficient LED light sources are used for ISO turbidity, chlorine and color. EPA turbidity uses a tungsten filament light source that meets or exceeds EPA specifications and is designed for a uniform light spot image and stable output.

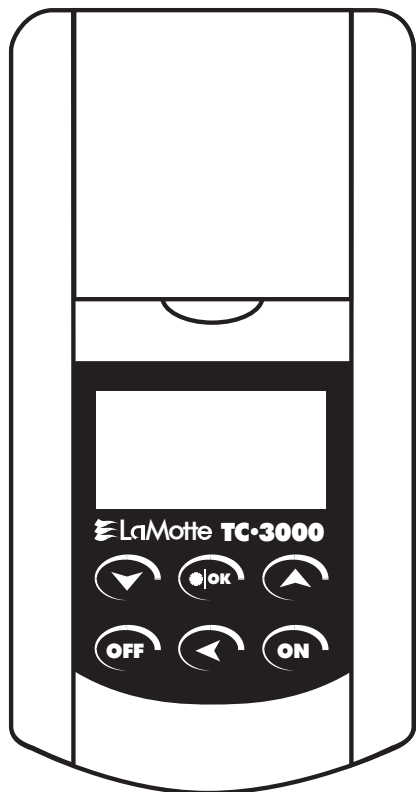
Tube positioning rings are supplied with the TC-3000. These rings snap onto the shoulders of the tubes. The rings ensure that the tubes are positioned in the chamber in the same orientation from one reading to the next. This minimizes variations in readings due to differences in tube position. This results in greater repeatability and is especially important for samples with low turbidity.

A 9-volt alkaline battery powers the TC-3000 and an optional AC adapter is available. A fresh battery should be installed at all times even when using the AC adapter.

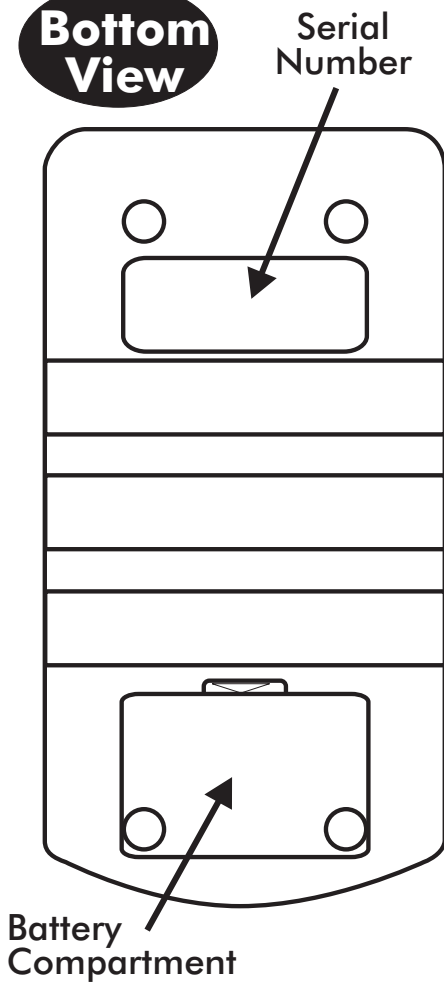
An RS232 serial port on the back of the meter allows an interface of the meter with an IBM compatible computer for real-time data acquisition and data storage using a PC. The TC-3000 may be interfaced with any Windows-based computer by using the LaMotte SMARTLink 2 Program. The port also allows an interface with an RS232 serial printer.



## Top View



## Bottom View



## General Operating Information

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The operation of the TC-3000 is controlled by the menu driven software and user interface. A menu is a list of choices. This allows a selection of various tasks for the TC-3000 to perform, such as, scan blank and scan sample. The keypad is used to make menu selections that are viewed on the display.

## The Keypad

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- ▼ This button will scroll down through a list of menu selections.

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- \*|OK** This button is used to select menu choices adjacent to the \* in a menu viewed in the display

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- ▲ This button will scroll up through a list of menu selections.

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- OFF** This button turns the TC-3000 off.

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- ◀ This button is an exit or escape button. When pressed, the display will exit the current menu and go to the previous menu.

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- ON** This button is used to turn on the TC-3000.

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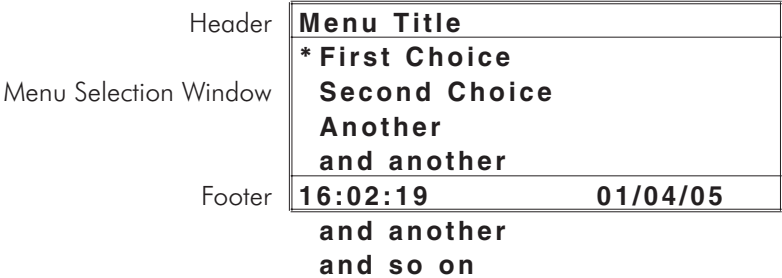

# The Display & Menus

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The display allows menu selection to be viewed and selected. These selections instruct the TC-3000 to perform specific tasks. The menus are viewed in the display using two general formats that are followed from one menu to the next. Each menu is a list of choices or selections.

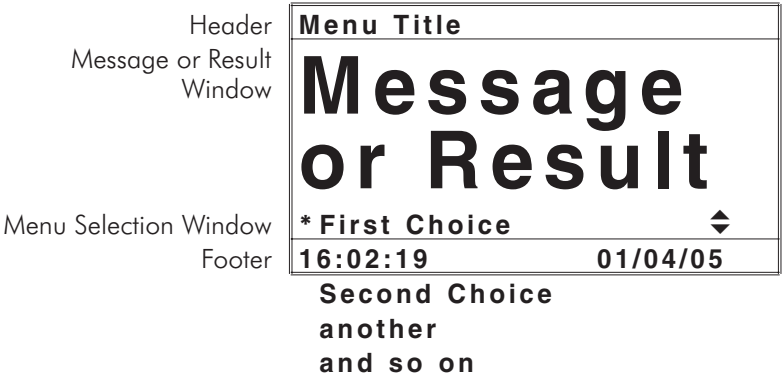
The display has a header line at the top and a footer line at the bottom. The header displays the title of the current menu. The footer line displays the time and the date. The menu selection window is in the middle of the display between the header and the footer.

The menu selection window displays information in two general formats. In the first format only menu selections are displayed. Up to 4 lines of menu selections may be displayed. If more selections are available they can be viewed by pressing the arrow buttons (▲ or ▼) to scroll the other menu selections into the menu selection window. Think of the menu selections as a vertical list in the display that moves up or down each time an arrow button (▲ or ▼) is pressed. All menus in the TC-3000 are looping menus. The top and bottom menu choices are connected in a loop. Scrolling down past the bottom of the menu will lead to the top of the menu. Scrolling up past the top of the menu will lead to the bottom of the menu.



An asterisk, \*, will start in the far left position of the top line in the menu choice window. To move the \* press the up or down arrow buttons (▲ or ▼) to scroll through the menu selections. The \* in the display corresponds with the \***IOK** button. Pushing the \***IOK** button selects the menu choice which is adjacent to the \* in the menu selection window.

In the second format the menu choice window takes advantage of the graphical capabilities of the display. Large format graphic information, such as test results or error messages or the LaMotte logo is displayed. The top three lines of the display are used to display information in a large, easy to read format. The menus work in the same way as previously described but only one line of the menu is visible at the bottom of the display. On the lower right side of the display small up and down arrows (▲ or ▼) indicate that other menu selections are available above or below the one visible line of the menu.



As described previously, the ◀ button allows an exit or escape from the current menu and a return to the previous menu. This allows a rapid exit from an inner menu to the main menu by repeatedly pushing the ◀ button. Pushing **OFF** at any time will turn the TC-3000 off.

The display may show the following messages:

<b>Err1</b>	Low battery
<b>Err2</b>	An attempt was made to calibrate the meter outside of the allowable range
<b>Err3</b>	An attempt was made to calibrate the meter with a zero sample
<b>Err4</b>	Processing error
<b>Err5</b>	No blank reading – the meter has never been blanked for this test factor.
<b>Err6</b>	The meter must be re-blanked and the sample rescanned
<b>Err7</b>	Call LaMotte Tech Service – meter may have to be returned for repairs
<b>low battery</b>	Low battery
>	Over range indicator
▲▼	More choices are available and can be viewed by scrolling up and/or down through the display
Header	Identifies the current menu and information on units and reagent systems if applicable. In the data logging mode the number of the data point is displayed and the total number of data points in the memory will be shown.

<b>HEADER</b>	<b>Menu Title</b>
Message or Result Window	<b>Message or Result</b>
Menu Selection Window	<b>* First Choice</b>
Footer	<b>16:02:19                      01/04/05</b>
	<b>Second Choice another and so on</b>



Footer	Shows current time and date.
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Header  
Message or Result  
Window

<b>Menu Title</b>
<b>Message or Result</b>
<b>* First Choice</b>
<b>16:02:1901/04/05</b>

Menu Selection Window  
**FOOTER**

**Second Choice**  
**another**  
**and so on**

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## Tubes

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The TC-3000 uses one type of tube (Code 0290) for the turbidity, color and chlorine tests. There is no need for a special turbidity tube.

The handling of the tubes is of utmost importance. Tubes must be clean and free from lint, fingerprints, dried spills and significant scratches, especially the central zone between the bottom and the sample line.

Scratches, fingerprints and water droplets on the tube can cause stray light interference leading to inaccurate results especially when measuring turbidity. Scratches and abrasions will affect the accuracy of the readings for all test factors. Tubes that have been scratched in the light zone through excessive use should be discarded and replaced with new ones.

Tubes should always be washed on the inside and outside with mild detergent prior to use to remove dirt or fingerprints. The tubes should be allowed to air-dry in an inverted position to prevent dust from entering the tubes. To prevent introducing moisture into the meter chamber, tube positioning rings should be removed before washing tubes. If tubes are washed with tube positioning rings in place, the rings should be removed and thoroughly dried before replacing them on the dry tubes. Dry tubes should be stored with the caps on to prevent contamination.

After a tube has been filled and capped, it should be held by the cap and the outside surface should be wiped with a clean, lint-free absorbent cloth until it is dry and smudge-free. Handling the tube only by the cap will avoid problems from fingerprints. Always set the clean tube aside on a clean surface that will not contaminate the tube. It is imperative that the tubes and light chamber be clean and dry. The outside of the tubes should be dried with a clean, lint-free cloth or disposable wipe before they are placed in the meter chamber.

Tubes should be emptied and cleaned as soon as possible after reading a sample to prevent deposition of stains or particulates on the inside of the tubes. Reacted chlorine samples at high concentrations will stain the tubes. When highly accurate results are required, reduce error by designating tubes to be used only for chlorine, very low turbidity and very high turbidity testing.

Variability in the geometry of the glassware and technique are the predominate causes of variability in results. Slight variations in wall thickness and the diameter of the tubes may lead to slight variations in the test results. To eliminate this error the tubes should be placed in the chamber with the same orientation each time. The orientation of the tubes in the chamber is controlled by use of a tube positioning ring. For improved accuracy and precision, especially at low concentrations, the tubes should always be used with a positioning ring. (See page 37)

### TURBIDITY

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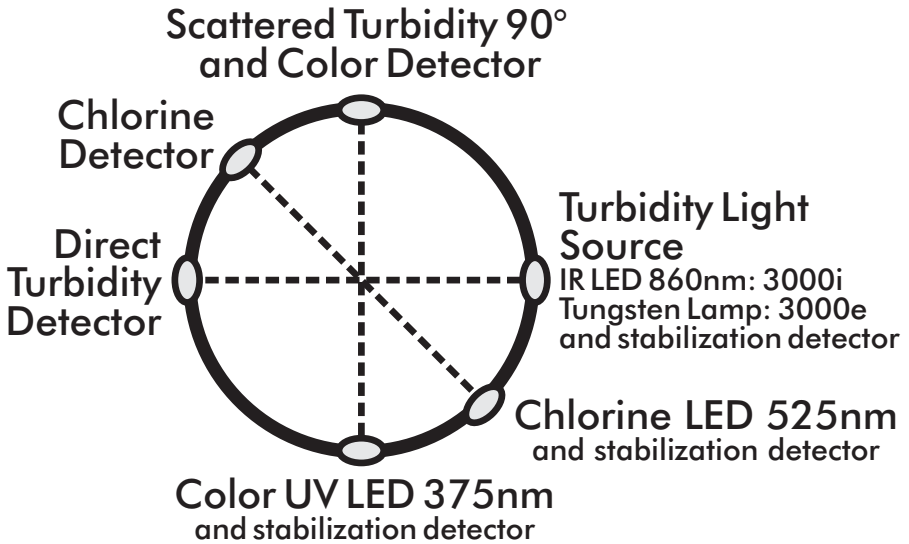
#### What is Turbidity?

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Turbidity is an aggregate property of the solution, water in most cases. Turbidity is not specific to the type of particle in the water. They could be suspended or colloidal matter and they can be inorganic, organic or biological. At high concentrations turbidity is perceived as cloudiness or haze or an absence of clarity in the water. Turbidity is an optical property that results when light passing through a liquid sample is scattered. The scattering of light results in a change in the direction of the light passing through the liquid. This is most often caused when the light strikes particles in solution and is scattered backward, sideways and forward. If the turbidity is low much of the light will continue in the original direction. Light scattered by the particles allows the particle to be "seen" or detected in solution. Just as sunlight passing through a window is scattered by dust particles in the air, allowing them to be seen.

In the past 10 years, turbidity has become more than just a measure of water clarity. Because of the emergence of pathogens such as *Cryptosporidium* and *Giardia*, turbidity now holds the key to assuring proper water filtration. In 1998, the EPA published the IESWTR (interim enhanced surface water treatment rule) mandating turbidities in combined filter effluent to read at or below 0.3 NTU. By doing so, the EPA hoped to achieve a 2 log (99%) removal of *Cryptosporidium*. There is presently consideration to lower this to 0.1 NTU. The trend has been to check the calibration of on-line turbidimeters with hand-held field units. The optical design and low detection limit of the TC-3000 allow very accurate readings for such calibrations.

The meter also allows the user to choose the units of measure for expressing turbidity. While nephelometric turbidity unit (NTU) has been the standard for years, FNU (formazin nephelometric unit) and FAU (formazin attenuation unit) are now being used in ISO 7027 units. American Society of Brewing Chemists (ASBC) units and European Brewery Convention (EBC) units allow the brewing industry to check process waters.



Turbidity is measured by detecting and quantifying the scattering of light in water (solution). Turbidity can be measured in many ways. There are visual methods and instrumental methods. Visual methods are more suitable for samples with high turbidity. Instrumental methods can be used on samples with both high and low levels of turbidity.

Two visual methods are the Secchi Disk method and the Jackson Candle method. The Secchi Disk method is often used in natural waters. A black and white Secchi Disk is lowered into the water until it can no longer be seen. It is then raised until it can be seen again. The average of these two distances is known as the "Secchi Depth". The Jackson Candle method uses a long glass tube over a standard candle. Water is added or removed from the tube until the candle flame becomes indistinct. The depth of the water measured with a calibrated scale is reported as Jackson Turbidity Units (JTU). The lowest turbidity that can be determined with this method is about 25 NTU.

There are two common methods for instruments to measure turbidity. Instruments can measure the attenuation of a light beam passing through a sample and they can measure the scattered light from a light beam passing through a sample. In the attenuation method, the intensity of a light beam passing through turbid sample is compared with the intensity passing through a turbidity-free sample at 180° from the light source. This method is good for highly turbid samples. The most common instrument for measuring scatter light in a water sample is a nephelometer. A nephelometer measures light scattered at 90° to the light beam. Light scattered at other angles may also be measured, but the 90° angle defines a nephelometric

measurement. The light source for nephelometric measurements can be one of two types to meet EPA or ISO specifications. The EPA specifies a tungsten lamp with a color temperature of 2,200–3,000 K. The units of measurement for the EPA method are nephelometric turbidity units (NTU). The ISO specifies a light emitting diode (LED) with a wavelength of 860 nm and a spectral bandwidth less than or equal to 60 nm. The units of measurement for the ISO method are formazin nephelometric units (FNU). The TC-3000e meets the EPA specification and the TC-3000i meets the ISO specification. The nephelometric method is most useful for low turbidity.

The TC-3000 is a nephelometer that is capable of measuring turbidity by both the attenuation method and the nephelometric method. It uses a detector placed at 180° to the light source for the attenuation method. It uses a detector placed at 90° to the light source for the Nephelometric method. The TC-3000 also has a third detector that monitors the intensity of the light source. It uses this detector to improve instrumental stability and minimize calibration drift. The TC-3000 also has a signal averaging option to improve the stability of readings on low turbidity samples.

The TC-3000 has two different turbidity calibrations, formazin and Japanese polystyrene. The formazin calibration is the EPA and ISO approved method of calibrating nephelometers. This calibration can be used with user prepared formazin standards or commercially purchased formazin standards. LaMotte Company approved AMCO™ standards labeled for use with the TC-3000 can also be used with the formazin calibration. Stabcal® standards below 50 NTU should not be used to calibrate the TC-3000.

The polystyrene calibration is a calibration for a Japanese Water Works standard. It is based on Japanese formulated polystyrene turbidity standards. This calibration should only be use to meet Japanese Water Works requirements. The Japanese polystyrene standards can only be purchased in Japan. Formazin, AMCO and Stabcal® standards cannot be used with this calibration.

## **Taking Turbidity Water Samples**

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Clean plastic or glass containers may be used for turbidity samples. Ideally, samples should be tested soon after collection and at the same temperature as when collected.

## **CHLORINE**

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### **What is Chlorine?**

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Chlorine is added to water systems to sanitize the water. There are various forms of chlorine that are added to water. These can be gas, liquid (commonly called bleach or sodium hypochlorite), calcium hypochlorite mixtures, stabilized chlorine products and as chlorine generated using salt. When these forms of chlorine are added, they react with water to form free chlorine, hypochlorous acid. If free chlorine reacts with ammonia, it will form various types of combined chlorine (chloramines). Depending on the chlorine to ammonia ratio, these can be mono, di or tri chloramines.

Because free chlorine can react with precursors in the water to form carcinogenic trihalomethanes (THMs), many water systems have switched to chloramines. In these systems, free chlorine and ammonia are added together and controlled to form

monochloramine. Although not as active a sanitizer as free chlorine, chloramine is less likely to form THMs. Since it is a slower sanitizer, the concentration of chloramine

in water is higher than the concentration of free chlorine in water distribution systems. The present EPA limit of chlorine in water systems is 4.0 ppm. The amount of chlorine used to process waste may be higher than this.

Many states also establish limits on the amount of chlorine that can be discharged into a body of water after waste processing. These usually are less than 0.1 ppm. The low detection limit of the TC-3000 makes it ideal for such measurements. Because of its wide range, the TC-3000 can be used to measure the water used in the wastewater process, in a distribution system and for many low level discharge requirements.

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### **How is Chlorine Measured?**

The most common methods for measuring chlorine are colorimetric methods. In colorimetric methods, chlorine reacts with reagents added to a water sample. The reaction of the chlorine with the reagents produces a color. The intensity of the color produced is proportional to the concentration of chlorine in the sample. The intensity of the color can be measured by visual comparison with a calibrated color chart or other types of visual color comparators. Visual methods suffer due to the subjective observations of the person judging the colors.

The TC-3000 uses EPA approved DPD reagents to react with chlorine. In the absence of iodide, free available chlorine reacts instantly with DPD to produce a pink color. Subsequent addition of potassium iodide (DPD 3) causes a reaction with combined forms of chlorine. The TC-3000 electronically measures the color produced in these reactions in comparison to a colorless water sample. First it measures the intensity of a light beam passing through a clear colorless sample, the blank. Then it measures the intensity of light passing through the pink reacted sample. The TC-3000 uses the ratio of these two measurements to calculate the concentration of chlorine and displays the result. The TC-3000 uses the EPA approved wavelength of 525 nm, to make these measurements.

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### **Taking Chlorine Water Samples**

Chlorine solutions are not stable and should be analyzed immediately. Samples may be collected in glass. Amber or opaque bottles are recommended since exposure to sunlight or agitation will decrease chlorine concentrations. It is best to fill bottles completely to assure there is no air in the container. If sampling from a tap, allow the water to run for a minute to assure a proper sample.

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## **COLOR**

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### **What is Color?**

Many different dissolved or suspended materials contribute to the color of water. These can include industrial wastes, plant materials, metals and plankton. There are two terms used to define color. If one examines a water sample straight from a water source, the color of the water is its apparent color. To ascertain the color of the water without the contribution of suspended substances, the water may be filtered. The color of filtered water is due to dissolved substances and is called true color. True color can increase after precipitation, and decrease in drier weather.

Some bodies of water can change color quickly, depending on the runoff conditions and plant life around them. Wind can also stir up substances more in shallower bodies

of water causing quick color change. Major contributors are tannins, humic acids, and inorganic minerals. Color can be critical, since as the color increases, the amount of light that penetrates the water decreases, and thus submerged plant life, that depend on this light for photosynthesis, will decrease.

### **How is Color Measured?**

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Color can be measured by visual comparison methods or electronically with colorimeters and spectrophotometers. To better define color values, the APHA adapted color standards made from dilutions of a solution of chloroplatinate and cobalt. These are usually used within a comparator containing 6-9 standards, for visual comparison. However, visual methods suffer due to the subjective observations of the person judging the colors. The chloroplatinate and cobalt colors can also be measured with a colorimeter, like the TC-3000.

The TC-3000 is calibrated with the APHA color standards. The meter electronically measures color in comparison to a colorless water sample. First it measures the intensity of a light beam passing through a clear colorless sample, the blank. Then it measures the intensity of light passing through the colored sample. The TC-3000 uses the ratio of these two measurements to calculate the color and displays the result. The color determination in the TC-3000 uses a 375 nm wavelength. This UV light was found to give the greatest sensitivity in reading the APHA color standards. The results are expressed as APHA color units (cu). The TC-3000 can use signal averaging to measure very low levels of color. The TC-3000 is very useful for measuring colors similar to the APHA color standards. It is not appropriate for measuring colors that are not the same hues at the APHA color standards.

### **Taking Color Water Samples**

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Samples should ideally be collected in glass containers. Perform the analysis soon after sampling since the color may change with time. For true color determinations, remove turbidity by filtration or centrifugation.

## SAMPLE DILUTION TECHNIQUES

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If a test result is out of the range of the meter, it must be diluted. The test should then be repeated on the diluted sample. The following table gives quick reference guidelines for dilutions of various proportions.

Amount of Sample	Deionized Water to Bring Final Volume to 10 mL	Multiplication Factor
10 mL	0 mL	1
5 mL	5 mL	2
2.5 mL	7.5 mL	4
1 mL	9 mL	10
0.5 mL	9.5 mL	20

All dilutions are based on a final volume of 10 mL so several dilutions will require small volumes of the water sample. Graduated pipets should be used for all dilutions. If volumetric glassware is not available, dilutions can be made with the colorimeter tube. Fill the tube to the 10 mL line with the sample and then transfer it to another container. Add 10 mL volumes of deionized water to the container and mix. Transfer 10 mL of the diluted sample to the colorimeter tube and follow the test procedure. Repeat the dilution and testing procedures until the result falls within the range of the calibration. Multiply the test result by the dilution factor. For example, if 10 mL of the sample water is diluted with three 10 mL volumes of deionized water, the dilution factor is four. The test result of the diluted sample should be multiplied by four.



## OPTIONS & SET UP

Settings that have user options have been set at the factory to default settings.

*The factory default settings are:*


Turbidity Units	NTU
Turbidity Calibration	formazin
Chlorine Units	ppm
Chlorine Calibration	Tablet
Averaging	Disabled
Date Format	MM/DD/YY
Language	English
Auto Shutdown	Disabled

To return the meter to the factory settings, Hold down **\*IOK** button. Press **ON**. Release both buttons. Press **\*IOK** button to select the default settings. Meter will turn off and the factory settings will be restored. Restoring the factory settings will remove the user-level calibration but not the zeroing. To change the default settings follow the instructions in the following sections.

## TURBIDITY

The default units are NTU and the default calibration curve is formazin. To change the settings:

### SELECTING TURBIDITY UNITS

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4. Press the <b>*IOK</b> to select <b>Units</b> .	<b>Turbidity</b>
	<b>* Units</b> <b>Calibration</b>
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5. Scroll down and then press <b>*IOK</b> to select units.  Available units are: <b>NTU</b> (Nephelometric Turbidity Units); <b>FNU</b> (Formazin Nephelometric Units); <b>ASBC</b> (American Society of Brewing Chemists); <b>EBC</b> (European Brewery Convention)	<b>Units</b>
	<b>* NTU</b> <b>FNU</b> <b>ASBC</b> <b>EBC</b>
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Note: If Attenuation is chosen as a calibration curve. The result will be reported in FAU (Formazin Attenuation Units).

6. Press <b>◀</b> to exit to a previous menu or make another menu selection or press <b>OFF</b> to turn the meter off.	

## SELECTING A TURBIDITY CALIBRATION CURVE

1. Press <b>ON</b> to turn the meter on.	 <b>1.3</b>
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2. Scroll down and then press <b>*IOK</b> to select <b>Options</b> .	<b>Main Menu</b>
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3. Scroll down and then press **\*IOK** to select **Turbidity**.

<b>Options</b>	
<b>Averaging</b>	
<b>* Turbidity</b>	
<b>Chlorine</b>	
<b>Date/Time</b>	
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4. Scroll down and then press **\*IOK** to select **Calibration**.

<b>Turbidity</b>	
<b>Units</b>	
<b>* Calibration</b>	
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5. Scroll down and then press **\*IOK** to select a **Calibration** curve. Select a calibration option based on the composition of the standards that will be used to calibrate the meter.

<b>Turbidity</b>	
<b>Units</b>	
<b>* Calibration</b>	
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For the most accurate results, the Attenuation option should be chosen when samples are over 500 NTU. The range for the attenuation option is 40–4000 NTU.

<b>Calibration</b>	
<b>* Formazin</b>	
<b>Polystyrene</b>	
<b>Attenuation</b>	
<b>16:02:19</b>	<b>01/04/05</b>

The Polystyrene calibration mode should be used only with Japanese Polystyrene Standards (0–100 NTU). Available options are: Formazin, Polystyrene, Attenuation.

*Note:* StablCal® standards below 50 NTU should not be used to calibrate the TC-3000. The diluent has a different refractive index than traditional formazin standards and will affect the results.

6. Press **◀** to exit to a previous menu or make another menu selection or press **OFF** to turn the meter off.


## CHLORINE

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The default units are ppm and the default calibration curve is for DPD Tablet reagents. To change the settings:

### SELECTING CHLORINE UNITS

1. Press **ON** to turn the meter on.



1.3

2. Scroll down and then press **\*IOK** to select **Options**.

Main Menu

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3. Scroll down and then press **\*IOK** to select **Chlorine**.

Options

Averaging

Turbidity

\* Chlorine

Date/Time

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4. Press the **\*IOK** to select **Units**.

Chlorine

\* Units

Calibration

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5. Scroll up and then press **\*IOK** to select a unit for the chlorine results.  
Available options are: **mg/L** (milligrams per liter) or **ppm** (parts per million)

Units

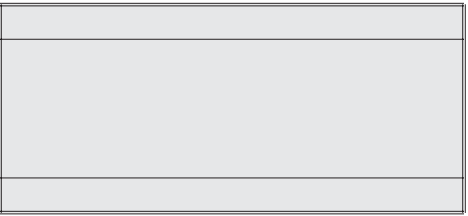
\* mg/L

ppm

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6. Press **◀** to exit to a previous menu or make another menu selection or press **OFF** to turn the meter off.



## SELECTING A CHLORINE CALIBRATION/REAGENT SYSTEM

1. Press **ON** to turn the meter on.

1.3

2. Scroll down and then press **\*IOK** to select **Options**.

**Main Menu**

**Measure**  
**Date**  
**\* Options**

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3. Scroll down and then press **\*IOK** to select **Chlorine**.

**Options**

**Averaging**  
**Turbidity**  
**\* Chlorine**  
**Date/Time**

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4. Scroll down and then press **\*IOK** to select **Calibration**.

**Chlorine**

**Units**  
**\* Calibration**

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5. Scroll down and then press **\*IOK** to select a chlorine reagent system.  
The options are: **Tablet or Liquid**.

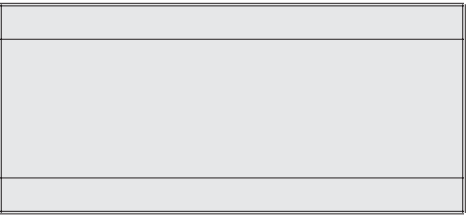
**Calibration**

**\* Tablet**  
**Liquid**

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6. Press **◀** to exit to a previous menu or make another menu selection or press **OFF** to turn the meter off.



## ..... AVERAGING

The averaging option is available for color and turbidity testing. It allows the user to average multiple readings. This option will improve the accuracy of samples with readings that may tend to drift with time. When the two, five or ten reading options have been selected, the meter will show a running average of the readings that have been taken until the final average is displayed. The default setting is disabled. To change the setting:

1. Press **ON** to turn the meter on.



2. Scroll down and then press **\*IOK** to select **Options**.

<b>Main Menu</b>	
Measure	
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* Options	
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3. Press **\*IOK** to select **Averaging**.

<b>Options</b>	
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4. Scroll down and then press **\*IOK** to select an averaging option.

Available options are:

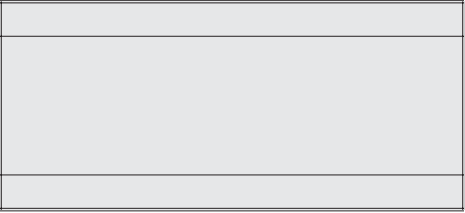
**Disabled, 2 Measurements,  
5 Measurements,  
10 Measurements.**

Note: The \* is displayed next to the current setting.

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Disabled	
* 2 Measurements	
5 Measurements	
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5. Press **◀** to exit to a previous menu or make another menu selection or press **OFF** to turn the meter off.

*Note:* When the **Averaging** option is selected, it will take longer to get the final result and more power will be used.



## SETTING THE DATE AND TIME

1. Press **ON** to turn the meter on.



1.3

2. Scroll down and then press **\*IOK** to select **Options**.

Main Menu

Measure

Date

\* Options

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3. Scroll down and then press **\*IOK** to select **Date/Time**.

Options

Turbidity

Chlorine

\* Date/Time

Language

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4. Press **\*IOK** to select **Set Date** or scroll down and then press **\*IOK** to select **Set Time** or **Date Format**.

Date/Time

\* Set Date

Set Time

Date Format

16:02:19

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5. When setting the time or the date, use the ▼ or ▲ to change the highlighted number on the display. Press **\*IOK** to accept the value and move to the next value.

<b>Set Date</b>	
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When choosing a date format, use the ▼ or ▲ to select a date format. Press **\*IOK** to accept the format.

<b>Date/Time</b>	
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6. Press ◀ to exit to a previous menu or make another menu selection or press **OFF** to turn the meter off.




## SELECTING A LANGUAGE


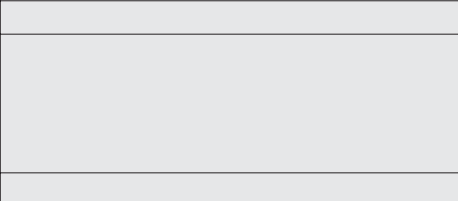
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5. Press <b>◀</b> to exit to a previous menu or make another menu selection or press <b>OFF</b> to turn the meter off.													

## SETTING AUTO SHUTDOWN

The power saving Auto Shutdown feature will turn the meter off when a button has not been pushed for a set amount of time. The default setting is disabled. To change the setting:

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# DATA LOGGING

The default setting for the data logger is start (on). The meter will log the last 4004 data points.

1. Press **ON** to turn the meter on.



2. Scroll down and press **\*IOK** to select **Data Logging**.

<b>Main Menu</b>	
Measure	
<b>* Data Logging</b>	
Options	
<b>16:02:19</b>	<b>01/04/05</b>

3. Press **\*IOK** to view the last data point that was logged.

<b>Data Logging</b>	
<b>* View</b>	
Stop	
Erase	
<b>16:02:19</b>	<b>01/04/05</b>

4. Press **▼** or **▲** to scroll through the saved data points.

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<b>Color</b>	
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<b>304 / 304</b>	
<b>1.58 NTU</b>	
<b>Turbidity (F)</b>	
<b>16:26:58</b>	<b>09/11/04</b>
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*Note:* If the data logger is empty because it has never been used or has just been erased, the view function will not work.

Or scroll down and press **\*IOK** to select **Stop** or **Start** to stop or start the data logging feature.

<b>Data Logging</b>	
View	
* Stop	
Erase	
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<b>Data Logging</b>	
View	
* Start	
Erase	
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Or scroll down and press **\*IOK** to select **Erase** to empty all logged data points from the memory.

<b>Data Logging</b>	
View	
Stop	
* Erase	
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5. Press **OFF** to turn the meter off or press **◀** to exit to a previous menu or make another menu selection.


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## TUBE POSITIONING RING

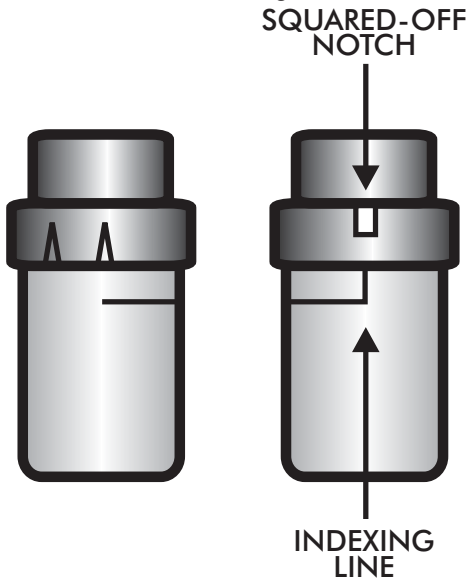
### The Tube Positioning Ring

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To put a ring on a tube, remove the cap from the tube.

The tube positioning ring has two tapered notches and one squared-off notch. Place the ring on the tube with the squared-off notch closest to the top of the tube and tapered notches closer to the bottom of the tube. Align the single, squared-off notch with the vertical, white indexing line that is printed on the tube. Place the tube flat on a hard surface and firmly press the ring onto the tube with equal pressure distributed along the top of the ring.

To remove a ring, invert the uncapped tube on a soft surface, such as a paper towel. Press down on the ring with equal pressure distributed around the ring.



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## CALIBRATION & ANALYSIS

### TURBIDITY

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The default units are NTU and the default calibration curve is formazin. When **(F)** is displayed in the upper right corner of the display, this indicates that the meter is in the formazin mode. For the most accurate results, a user calibration should be performed. The Attenuation calibration option should be used when samples are over 500 NTU. The Polystyrene calibration mode should be used only with Japanese Polystyrene Standards (0–100 NTU). To change the settings see the *Set Up* instructions (see page 25).

## ANALYSIS

1. Press **\*IOK** to turn the meter on.

The LaMotte logo features a stylized 'L' symbol on the left, followed by the brand name 'LaMotte' in a bold, sans-serif font.

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2. Press **\*IOK** to select **Measure**.

Main Menu

\* Measure  
Data  
Options

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3. Press **\*IOK** to select **Turbidity**.

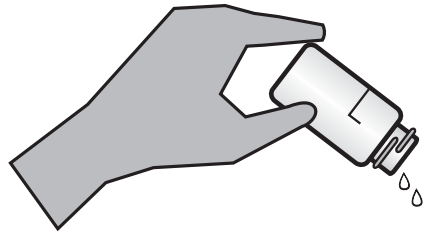
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\* Turbidity  
Color  
Chlorine

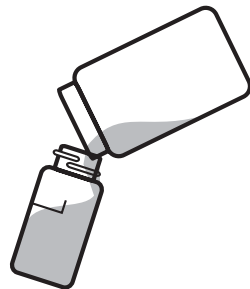
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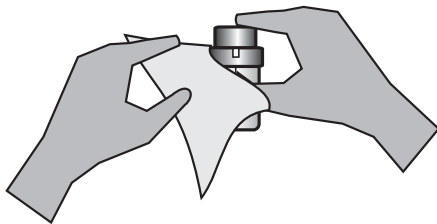
4. Rinse a clean tube (0290) three times with the blank.  
Below 1 NTU – The meter should be blanked with a 0 NTU Primary Standard or prepared low turbidity (<0.1 NTU) water. For the most accurate results, use the same tube for the blank and the sample.



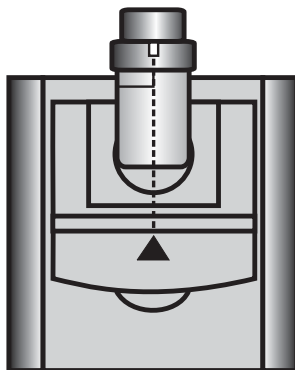
5. Fill the tube to the fill line with the blank. Pour the blank down the inside of the tube to avoid creating bubbles.



6. Dry the tube with a lint-free cloth. Put on a dry positioning ring. Cap the tube. Wipe the tube thoroughly again with a lint-free cloth.



7. Open the meter lid. Insert the tube into the chamber. Align the index notch on the positioning ring with the index arrow on the meter. Close the lid.



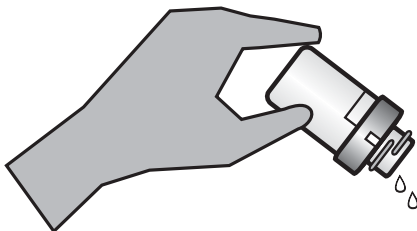
8. Press **\*I<sub>OK</sub>** to select **Scan Blank**. Remove the tube.

**Turbidity** (F)

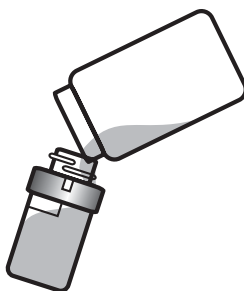
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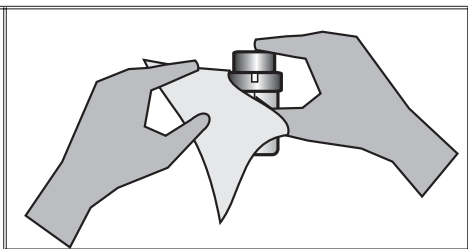
9. Rinse a clean tube (0290), or the same tube, three times with the water to be tested. Avoid spilling water on the outside of the tube.



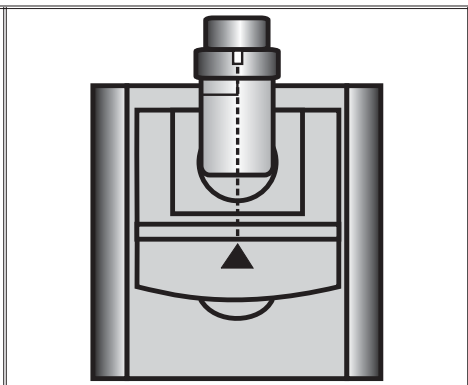
10. Fill the tube to the fill line with the sample. Pour the sample down the inside of the tube to avoid creating bubbles.



11. Cap the tube. Wipe the tube thoroughly again with a lint-free cloth.



12. Open the meter lid. Insert the tube into the chamber. Align the index notch on the positioning ring with the index arrow on the meter. Close the lid.



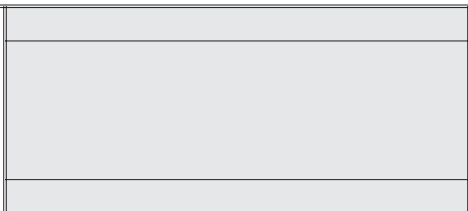
13. Press **\*IOK** to select **Scan Sample**.

<b>Turbidity</b>	<b>(F)</b>
* Scan Sample ▼	
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14. Record the result.

<b>Turbidity</b>	<b>(F)</b>
<b>0.54</b>	<b>NTU</b>
* Scan Sample ▼	
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15. Press **OFF** to turn the meter off or press **◀** to exit to a previous menu or make another menu selection.



*Note:* The meter will remember the last scanned blank reading. It is not necessary to scan a blank each time the test is performed. To use the previous blank reading, instead of scanning a new one, scroll to Scan Sample and proceed. For the most accurate results, the meter should be blanked before each test and the same tube with tube positioning ring should be used for the blank and the reacted sample.



## Dilution Procedures

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If a sample is encountered that is more than 4000 NTU, a careful dilution with 0 NTU or very low turbidity water will bring the sample into an acceptable range. However, there is no guarantee that halving the concentration will exactly halve the NTU value. Particulates often react in an unpredictable manner when diluted.

## Preparation of Turbidity-Free Water

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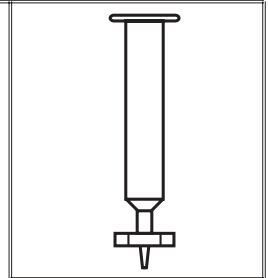
A 0 NTU Standard (Code 1480) is included with the meter. An accessory package (Code 4185) is available for preparing turbidity-free water for blanking the meter and dilution of high turbidity samples.

The preparation of turbidity-free water requires careful technique. Introduction of foreign matter will affect the turbidity reading. A filtering device with a special membrane filter is used to prepare low turbidity water. The filter, filter holder and syringe must be conditioned by forcing at least two syringes full of deionized water through the filtering apparatus to remove foreign matter. The first and second rinses should be discarded. Low turbidity water as prepared below may be stored in the dark at room temperature in a clean glass bottle with a screw cap and used as required. The storage container should be rinsed thoroughly with filtered deionized water before filling. The water should be periodically inspected for foreign matter in bright light.

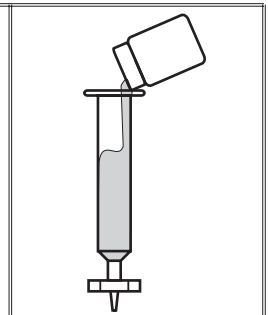
## PROCEDURE

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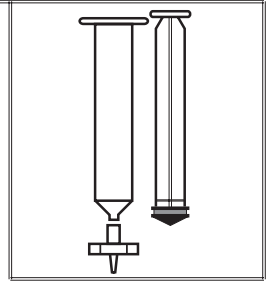
1. Remove the plunger from the syringe (0943). Attach the filter to the bottom of the syringe.



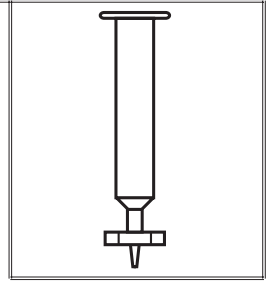
2. Pour approximately 50 mL of deionized water into the barrel of the syringe. Insert the plunger. Exert pressure on the plunger to slowly force the water through the filter. Collect water in the clean storage container. Rinse walls of the container then discard this rinse water.



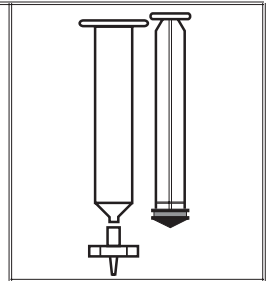
3. Remove the filter from the syringe. Remove the plunger from the barrel. (This step is required to prevent rupturing the filter by the vacuum that would be created when the plunger is removed.)



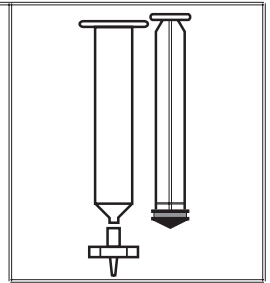
4. Replace the filter and repeat step 2 for a second rinse of the syringe and storage container.



5. Remove the filter from the syringe. Remove the plunger from the barrel. Replace the filter and fill the syringe with approximately 50 mL of deionized water. Filter the water into the storage container and save this turbidity-free water.



6. Repeat Step 5 until the desired amount of turbidity-free water has been collected.




## Turbidity Standards

Only use AMCO or formazin standards with the TC-3000. StablCal® standards below 50 NTU should not be used to calibrate the TC-3000. The diluent used in StablCal® standards has a different refractive index than traditional formazin standards and will affect the results. The concentration of the calibration standard should be similar to the expected concentration of samples that will be tested. The following standards are available from LaMotte Company:

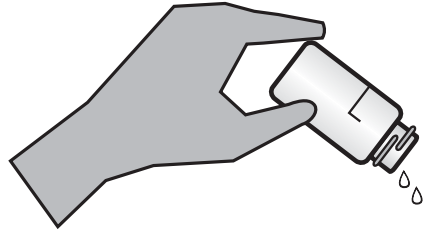
1480	0 NTU Standard, 60 mL (EPA and ISO)
1484	1 NTU Standard, 60 mL (EPA)
1481	1 NTU Standard, 60 mL (ISO)
1485	10 NTU Standard, 60 mL (EPA)
1482	10 NTU Standard, 60 mL (ISO)
1486	100 NTU Standard, 60 mL (EPA)
1483	100 NTU Standard, 60 mL (ISO)

## CALIBRATION PROCEDURE

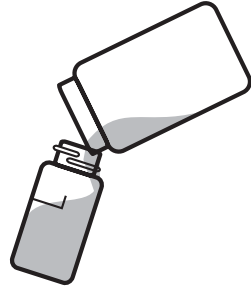
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4. Rinse a clean tube (0290) three times with the blank.

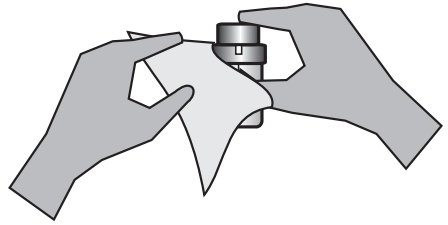
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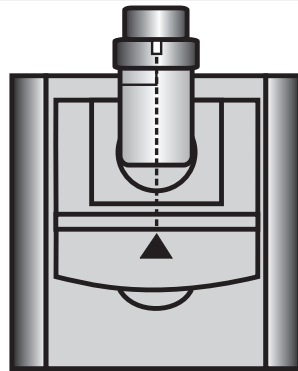
5. Fill the tube to the fill line with the blank. Pour the blank down the inside of the tube to avoid creating bubbles. Cap the tube.



6. Dry the tube with a lint-free cloth. Put on a dry positioning ring. Cap the tube. Wipe the tube thoroughly again with a lint-free cloth.



7. Open the meter lid. Insert the tube into the chamber. Align the index notch on the positioning ring with the index arrow on the meter. Close the lid.



8. Press **\*IOK** to select **Scan Blank**. Remove the tube.

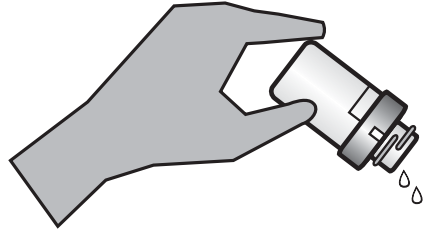
**Turbidity (F)**

**\* Scan Blank**

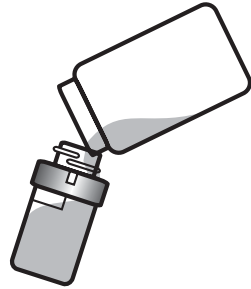
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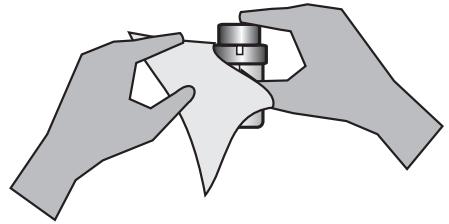
9. Rinse a clean tube (0290), or the same tube, three times with the standard. Avoid spilling standard on the outside of the tube.



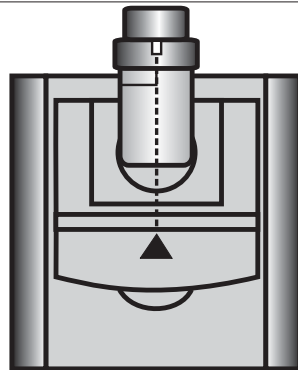
10. Fill the tube to the fill line with the standard. Pour the standard down the inside of the tube to avoid creating bubbles. Cap the tube.



11. Wipe the tube thoroughly again with a lint-free cloth.



12. Open the meter lid. Insert the tube into the chamber. Align the index notch on the positioning ring with the index arrow on the meter. Close the lid.



13. Press **\*IOK** to select **Scan Sample**.

**Turbidity**

**(F)**

**\* Scan Sample**

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14. Observe the result.

Turbidity (F)

0.54 NTU

\* Scan Sample ▼

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15. Press ▼ and then press \***IOK** to select **Calibrate**.

Turbidity (F)

0.54 NTU

\* Calibrate ▼

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16. Use the ▼ or ▲ to change the highlighted digits on the display to match the concentration of the turbidity standard. Press \***IOK** to accept a digit and move to the next digit.

Calibrate

00.54

▼, \*, ▲

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Calibrate

00.54

▼, \*, ▲

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Calibrate

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Calibrate

00.54

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Calibrate

00.50

▼, \*, ▲

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17. When the value on the display matches the concentration of the turbidity standard, press the **\*IOK** to select **Set**.

Or press **▼** press **\*IOK** to return the meter to the default setting.

<b>Calibrate</b>	
<b>00.50</b>	
<b>* Set</b>	<b>▼</b>
<b>16:02:19</b>	<b>01/04/05</b>

<b>Calibrate</b>	
<b>01.15</b>	
<b>* Default</b>	<b>▲</b>
<b>16:02:19</b>	<b>01/04/05</b>

18. Press **\*IOK** to proceed to Turbidity analysis. Press **OFF** to turn the meter off or press **◀** to exit to a previous menu or make another menu selection.


*Note:* The meter will remember the last scanned blank reading. It is not necessary to scan a blank each time the test is performed. To use the previous blank reading, instead of scanning a new one, scroll to Scan Sample and proceed. For the most accurate results, the meter should be blanked before each test and the same tube with tube positioning ring should be used for the blank and the reacted sample.

### Testing Tips

1. Samples should be collected in a clean glass or polyethylene container.
2. Samples should be analyzed as soon as possible after collection.
3. Gently mix sample by inverting before taking a reading but avoid introducing air bubbles.
4. For the most precise results, follow the recommended procedure for wiping a filled tube before placing it in the meter chamber. Invert tube very slowly and gently three times to mix the sample. Surround the tube with a clean, lint-free cloth. Press the cloth around the tube. Rotate the tube in the cloth three times to assure that all areas of the tube have been wiped.
5. Discard tubes that have significant scratches and imperfections in the light pass zones. (Central zone between bottom and fill line).
6. When reading very low turbidity samples, do not use tubes or caps that have been used previously with high turbidity samples.
7. Use the averaging option for low level measurements of turbidity.
8. The meter should be placed on a surface that is free from vibrations. Vibrations can cause high readings.
9. Turbidity readings will be affected by electric fields around motors.
10. Carbon in the sample will absorb light and cause low readings.

11. Excessive color in a sample will absorb light and cause high readings. The user should verify if a certain level of color will cause a significant error at the level of turbidity being tested.
12. Observe shelf life recommendations for turbidity standards.
13. Do not use silicone oil on tubes with when testing turbidity with the TC-3000.
14. When testing at low concentrations use the same tube for the blank and the sample.
15. Always use the positioning ring. Always insert tube into the meter chamber with the same amount of pressure and to the same depth.
16. Occasionally clean the chamber with a damp lint-free wipe, followed by an alcohol dampened wipe. A clean chamber and tubes are essential for reliable results.
17. For the greatest accuracy during the calibration procedure, be sure that after the meter is blanked and the blank is scanned as a sample, the reading is 0.00. If not, reblank the meter and scan the blank again until it reads 0.00. When scanning the sample, scan the calibration standard three times removing the tube from the chamber after each scan. The readings should be consistent. Use one of the readings to calibrate the meter. If the readings are not consistent, avoid using an aberrant reading to calibrate the meter.

## CHLORINE

The default units are ppm and the default calibration curve is for DPD Tablet reagents. For the most accurate results, a user calibration should be performed. The letter (T) in the upper right corner of the display indicates that the meter is in the tablet mode. To use liquid DPD reagents, see the Set Up instructions.

## ANALYSIS

### TABLET DPD REAGENTS

#### FREE CHLORINE, COMBINED AND TOTAL CHLORINE

1. Press **\*IOK** to turn the meter on.



1.3

2. Press **\*IOK** to select **Measure**.

**Main Menu**

**\* Measure**  
**Data**  
**Options**

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3. Scroll down and then press **\*IOK** to select **Chlorine**.

**Measure**

**Turbidity**

**Color**

**\* Chlorine**

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4. Press **\*IOK** to select **Test Free Chlorine**.

**Chlorine**

**(T)**

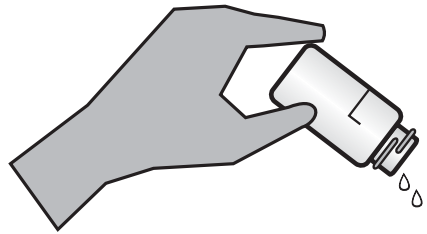
**\* Test Free**

**Test Total**

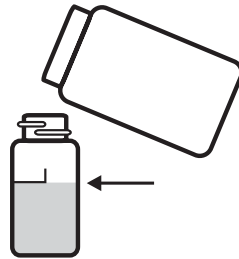
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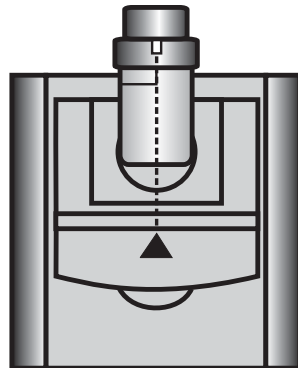
5. Rinse a clean tube (0290) with the sample water.



6. Fill the tube to the 10 mL line with the sample water. Dry the tube with a lint-free cloth. Put on a dry positioning ring. Cap the tube.



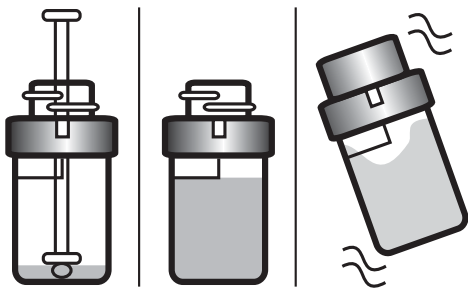
7. Open the meter lid. Insert the tube into the chamber. Align the index notch on the positioning ring with the index arrow on the meter.



8. Close the lid and press **\*IOK** to select **Scan Blank**.

Free Chlorine	(T)
* Scan Blank ▼	
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9. Remove the tube from the meter. Pour off all but a sufficient amount of sample water to cover a tablet. Add one \*Chlorine DPD #1 Instrument Grade Tablet (6903). Crush tablet with a tablet crusher (0175) then add sample water until the tube is filled to the 10 mL line. Cap tube and shake until tablet has dissolved. Solution will turn pink if free chlorine is present. Wait 15 seconds but no longer than 30 seconds. Mix.



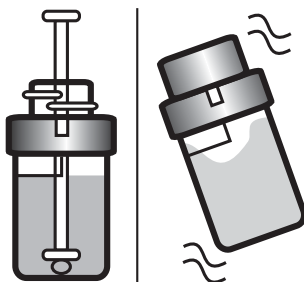
10. Open the meter lid. Insert sample into chamber. Align the index notch on the positioning ring with the index arrow on the meter. Close lid, press **\*IOK** to select **Scan Sample**.

Free Chlorine	(T)
* Scan Sample ▼	
16:02:19	01/04/05

11. Record the result as Free Chlorine.

Free Chlorine	(T)
<b>1.00</b> ppm	
* Scan Sample ▼	
16:02:19	01/04/05

12. Remove the tube from the chamber. Add one \*Chlorine DPD #3 Instrument Grade Tablet (6197). Crush tablet with Tablet Crusher (0175). Cap tube and shake until the tablet dissolves. An increase in color represents combined chlorine.



Note: For wastewater samples, *Standard Methods for the Examination of Water and Wastewater* recommends waiting 2 minutes for full color development when testing total chlorine.

11. Open the meter lid. Insert sample into chamber. Align the index notch on the positioning ring with the index arrow on the meter. Close lid, select **\*IOK** to select **Total Chlorine**.

<b>Free Chlorine</b>	<b>(T)</b>
<b>1.00</b> ppm	
<b>* Total Chlorine</b>	<b>▼</b>
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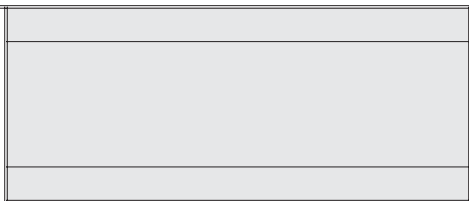
12. Record the result as Total Chlorine.

<b>Total Chlorine</b>	<b>(T)</b>
<b>1.25</b> ppm	
<b>* Scan Sample</b>	<b>▼</b>
<b>16:02:19</b>	<b>01/04/05</b>

13. Subtract the Free Chlorine reading from the Total Chlorine reading to obtain the concentration of Combined Chlorine.

Total Chlorine	-	Free Chlorine	=	Combined Chlorine
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14. Press **OFF** to turn the meter off or press **◀** to exit to a previous menu or make another menu selection.



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## TOTAL CHLORINE

1. Press **\*IOK** to turn the meter on.



1.3

2. Press **\*IOK** to select **Measure**.

Main Menu

\* Measure  
Data  
Options

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3. Scroll down and then press **\*IOK** to select **Chlorine**.

Measure

Turbidity  
Color  
\* Chlorine

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4. Scroll down and press **\*IOK** to select **Test Total** Chlorine.

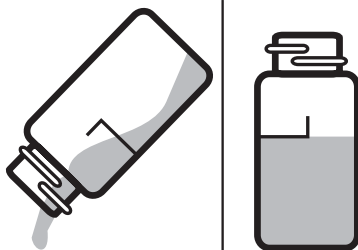
Chlorine

Test Free  
\* Test Total

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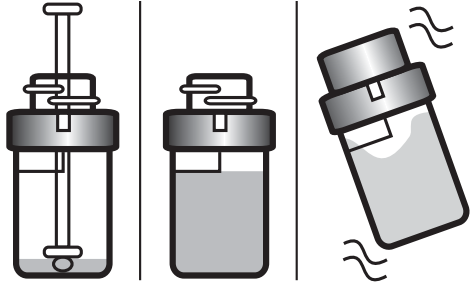
5. Rinse a clean tube (0290) with the sample water. Fill the tube to the 10 mL line with the sample water. Dry the tube with a lint-free cloth. Put on a dry positioning ring. Cap the tube.



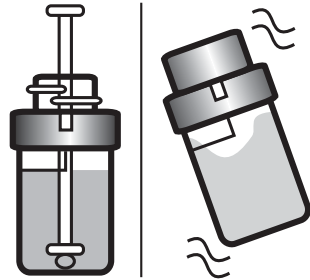
6. Open the meter lid. Insert the tube into the chamber. Align the index notch on the positioning ring with the index arrow on the meter. Close the lid and press **\*IOK** to select **Scan Blank**.

<b>Total Chlorine</b>	<b>(T)</b>
<b>* Scan Blank</b>	▼
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7. Remove the tube from the meter. Pour off all but a sufficient amount of sample water to cover a tablet. Add one \*Chlorine DPD #1 Instrument Grade Tablet (6903). Crush tablet with a tablet crusher (0175), then add sample water until the tube is filled to the 10 mL line. Cap tube and shake until tablet has dissolved.



8. Add one \*Chlorine DPD #3 Instrument Grade Tablet (6197). Crush tablet with Tablet Crusher (0175). Cap tube and shake until the tablet dissolves.



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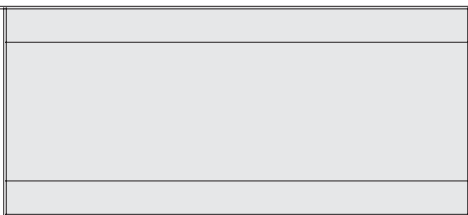
9. Open the meter lid. Insert sample into chamber. Align the index notch on the positioning ring with the index arrow on the meter. Close lid, select **\*IOK** to select **Scan Sample**.

<b>Total Chlorine</b>	<b>(T)</b>
<b>* Scan Sample</b>	▼
<b>16:02:19</b>	<b>01/04/05</b>

10. Record the result as Total Chlorine.

<b>Total Chlorine</b>	<b>(T)</b>
<b>1.00</b> ppm	
<b>* Scan Sample</b>	▼
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11. Press **OFF** to turn the meter off or press **◀** to exit to a previous menu or make another menu selection.



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## LIQUID DPD REAGENTS

**(Liquid calibration should be selected in the Options menu)**

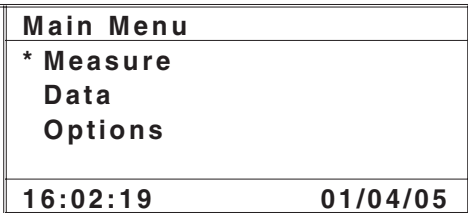
The letter **(L)** in the upper right corner of the display indicates that the meter is in liquid mode.

## FREE CHLORINE, COMBINED AND TOTAL CHLORINE

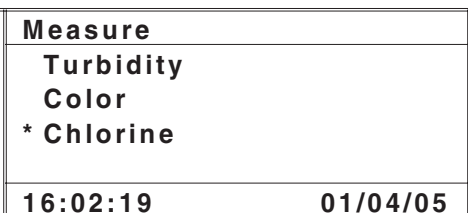
1. Press **\*IOK** to turn the meter on.



2. Press **\*IOK** to select **Measure**.



3. Scroll down and then press **\*IOK** to select **Chlorine**.



4. Press **\*IOK** to select **Test Free Chlorine**.

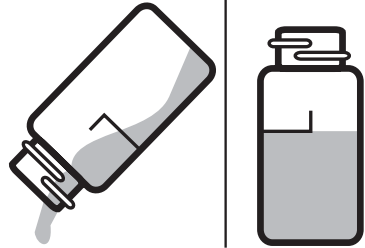
**Chlorine (L)**

**\* Test Free  
Test Total**

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5. Rinse a clean tube (0290) with the sample water. Fill the tube to the 10 mL line with the sample water. Dry the tube with a lint-free cloth. Put on a dry positioning ring. Cap the tube.



6. Open the meter lid. Insert the tube into the chamber. Align the index notch on the positioning ring with the index arrow on the meter. Close the lid and press **\*IOK** to select **Scan Blank**.

**Free Chlorine (L)**

**\* Scan Blank**

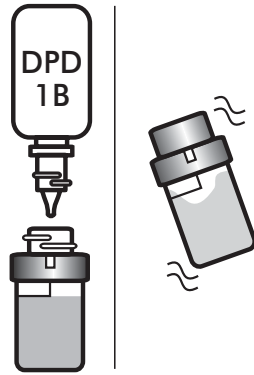
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7. Remove the tube from the meter. Add 5 drops of DPD 1A Free Chlorine Reagent (P-6740) and mix.



8. Add 5 drops of \*DPD 1B Free Chlorine Reagent (P-6741). Cap and mix. Solution will turn pink if free chlorine is present. Read within 30 seconds.



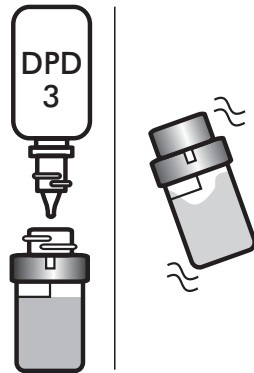
9. Open the meter lid. Insert tube into chamber. Align the index notch on the positioning ring with the index arrow on the meter. Close lid, press **\*IOK** to select **Scan Sample**.

<b>Free Chlorine</b>	<b>(L)</b>
* Scan Sample	
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10. Record the result as Free Chlorine.

<b>Total Chlorine</b>	<b>(L)</b>
<b>1.00</b>	ppm
* Scan Sample ▼	
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11. Remove the tube from the chamber. Add 5 drops of \*DPD 3 Total Chlorine Reagent (P-6741). Cap and mix. An increase in color represents combined chlorine.



*Note: For wastewater samples, Standard Methods for the Examination of Water and Wastewater recommends waiting 2 minutes for full color development.*



12. Open the meter lid. Insert the sample into the chamber. Align the index notch on the positioning ring with the index arrow on the meter. Close lid, select **\*IOK** to select **Total Chlorine**.

<b>Free Chlorine</b>	<b>(L)</b>
<b>1.00</b> ppm	
<b>* Total Chlorine</b>	<b>◆</b>
<b>16:02:19</b>	<b>01/04/05</b>

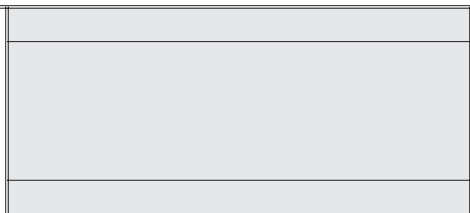
13. Record the result as Total Chlorine.

<b>Total Chlorine</b>	<b>(L)</b>
<b>1.25</b> ppm	
<b>* Scan Sample</b>	<b>▲</b>
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14. Subtract the Free Chlorine reading from the Total Chlorine reading to obtain the concentration of Combined Chlorine.

Total Chlorine	-	Free Chlorine	=	Combined Chlorine
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**TOTAL CHLORINE**

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1.3

2. Press **\*IOK** to select **Measure**.

**Main Menu**

- \* Measure
- Data
- Options

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3. Scroll down and then press **\*IOK** to select **Chlorine**.

**Measure**

- Turbidity
- Color
- \* Chlorine

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4. Press **\*IOK** to select **Test Free Chlorine**.

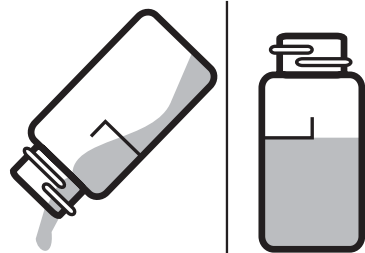
**Chlorine (L)**

- Test Free
- \* Test Total

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5. Rinse a clean tube (0290) with the sample water. Fill the tube to the 10 mL line with the sample water. Dry the tube with a lint-free cloth. Put on a dry positioning ring. Cap the tube.



6. Open the meter lid. Insert the tube into the chamber. Align the index notch on the positioning ring with the index arrow on the meter. Close the lid and press **\*IOK** to select **Scan Blank**.

**Total Chlorine (L)**

\* Scan Blank

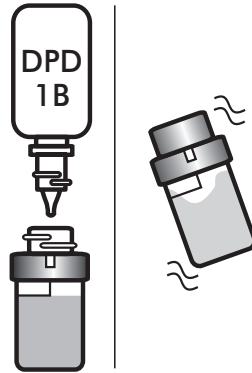
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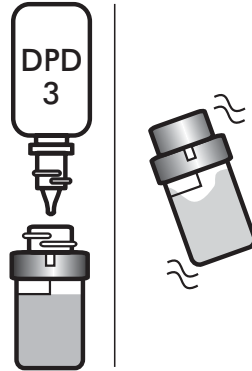
7. Remove the tube from the meter. Add 5 drops of DPD 1A Free Chlorine Reagent (P-6740) and mix.



8. Add 5 drops of \*DPD 1B Free Chlorine Reagent (P-6741). Cap and mix.



9. Add 5 drops of \*DPD 3 Total Chlorine Reagent (P-6741). Cap and mix.



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10. Open the meter lid. Insert the sample into the chamber. Align the index notch on the positioning ring with the index arrow on the meter. Close lid, select **\*IOK** to select **Scan Sample**.

<b>Total Chlorine</b>	<b>(L)</b>
<b>* Scan Sample</b>	▼
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11. Record the result as Total Chlorine.

**Total Chlorine** (L)

**1.00** ppm

\* **Scan Sample** ▼

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## Dilution Procedures

Samples should be diluted with Chlorine Demand Free Water. To prepare Chlorine Demand Free water follow the procedure in *Standard Methods for the Analysis of Water and Wastewater*.


## Standard Solutions

Standard solutions should be prepared from a sodium hypochlorite solution and chlorine demand free water. The concentration of the standards should be verified by a Ferrous Ammonium Sulfate titration. An approximately 250 ppm chlorine standard (Code 6973-H, 60 mL) and a Chlorine titration kit (Code 3176-01) are available from LaMotte Company.

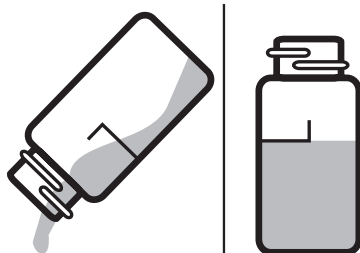
## Calibration Procedure

The meter should be calibrated with free chlorine standards. The calibration should be done with a distilled or deionized water blank and one chlorine standard of known concentration. The concentration of the calibration standard should be similar to the expected concentration of samples that will be tested. The default reagent system is DPD Tablets.

### TABLETS (Tablet calibration should be selected in the Options menu)

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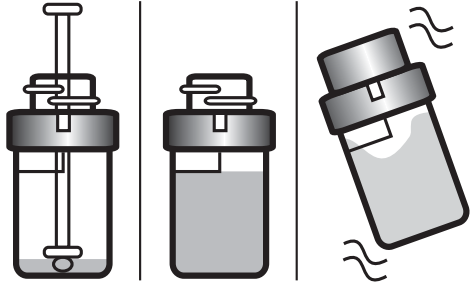
5. Rinse a clean tube (0290) with the chlorine standard. Fill the tube to the 10 mL line with the sample water. Dry the tube with a lint-free cloth. Put on a dry positioning ring. Cap the tube.



6. Open the meter lid. Insert the tube into the chamber. Align the index notch on the positioning ring with the index arrow on the meter. Close the lid and press **\*IOK** to select **Scan Blank**.

<b>Free Chlorine</b>	<b>(T)</b>
<b>* Scan Blank</b>	▼
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7. Remove the tube from the meter. Pour off all but a sufficient amount of chlorine standard to cover a tablet. Add one \*Chlorine DPD #1 Instrument Grade Tablet (6903). Crush tablet with a tablet crusher (0175), then add chlorine standard until the tube is filled to the 10 mL line. Cap tube and shake until tablet has dissolved. Solution will turn pink if free chlorine is present. Wait 15 seconds but no longer than 30 seconds. Mix.



8. Open the meter lid. Insert tube into chamber. Align the index notch on the positioning ring with the index arrow on the meter. Close lid, press **\*IOK** to select **Scan Sample**.

<b>Free Chlorine</b>	<b>(T)</b>
<b>* Scan Blank</b>	▼
<b>16:02:19</b>	<b>01/04/05</b>

9. Observe the result.

<b>Total Chlorine</b>	<b>(T)</b>
<b>1.00</b>	<b>ppm</b>
<b>* Scan Sample</b>	▼
<b>16:02:19</b>	<b>01/04/05</b>

10. Press ▼ to scroll to Calibrate. Press **\*IOK** to select **Calibrate**.

<b>Total Chlorine</b>	<b>(T)</b>
<b>1.25</b>	<b>ppm</b>
<b>* Calibrate</b>	▲
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11. Use the ▼ or ▲ to change the highlighted digits on the display to match the concentration of the chlorine standard. Press **\*IOK** to accept a digit and move to the next digit.

<b>Calibrate</b>
<b>01.25</b>
▼, *, ▲
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<b>01/04/05</b>

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01.25 ▼, *, ▲	
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Calibrate	
01.25 ▼, *, ▲	
16:02:19	01/04/05

Calibrate	
01.35 ▼, *, ▲	
16:02:19	01/04/05

Calibrate	
01.30 ▼, *, ▲	
16:02:19	01/04/05

12. When the value on the display matches the concentration of the chlorine standard, press the **\*IOK** to select **Set**.

Calibrate	
01.30 * Set ▼	
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Or press the ▼ and press **\*IOK** to return the meter to the default setting.

Calibrate	
01.30 * Default ▲	
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13. Press **\*IOK** to proceed to Chlorine analysis. Press **OFF** to turn the meter off or press ◀ to exit to a previous menu or make another menu selection.


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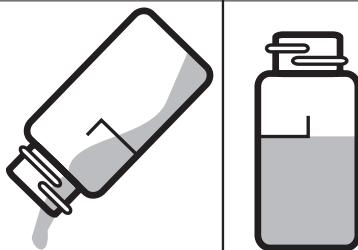
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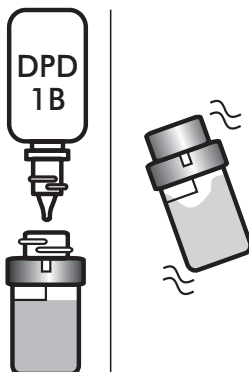
6. Open the meter lid. Insert the tube into the chamber. Align the index notch on the positioning ring with the index arrow on the meter. Close the lid and press **\*IOK** to select **Scan Blank**.

<b>Free Chlorine</b>	<b>(L)</b>
<b>* Scan Blank</b>	
<b>16:02:19</b>	<b>01/04/05</b>

7. Remove the tube from the meter. Add 5 drops of DPD 1A Free Chlorine Reagent (P-6740) and mix.



8. Add 5 drops of \*DPD 1B Free Chlorine Reagent (P-6741). Cap and mix. Read within 30 seconds.



9. Open the meter lid. Insert tube into chamber. Align the index notch on the positioning ring with the index arrow on the meter. Close lid, press **\*IOK** to select **Scan Sample**.

<b>Free Chlorine</b>	<b>(L)</b>
* Scan Sample ▼	
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10. Press ▼ to scroll to **Calibrate**. Press **\*IOK** to select **Calibrate**.

<b>Total Chlorine</b>	<b>(L)</b>
<b>01.25</b>	ppm
* Scan Sample ▼	
16:02:19	01/04/05

11. Use the ▼ or ▲ to change the highlighted digits on the display to match the concentration of the chlorine standard. Press **\*IOK** to accept a digit and move to the next digit.

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<b>01.25</b> ▼, *, ▲
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<b>01.25</b> ▼, *, ▲
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<b>Calibrate</b>
<b>01.25</b> ▼, *, ▲
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<b>Calibrate</b>
<b>01.35</b> ▼, *, ▲
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<b>Calibrate</b>
<b>01.30</b> ▼, *, ▲
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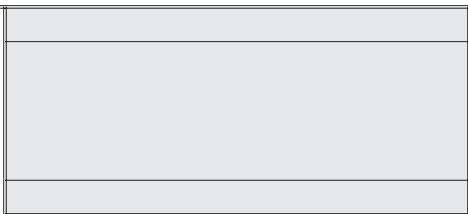
12. When the value on the display matches the concentration of the chlorine standard, press **\*IOK** to select **Set**.

Or press the **▼** and press **\*IOK** to return the meter to the default setting.

<b>Calibrate</b>	
<b>01.30</b>	
<b>* Set</b>	▼
<b>16:02:19</b>	<b>01/04/05</b>

<b>Calibrate</b>	
<b>01.30</b>	
<b>* Default</b>	▲
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13. Press **\*IOK** to proceed to Chlorine analysis. Press **OFF** to turn the meter off or press **◀** to exit to a previous menu or make another menu selection.



*\* Warning:* Reagents marked with an \* are considered to be potential health hazards. To view or print a Material Safety Data Sheet (MSDS) for these reagents see MSDS CD or our web site. To obtain a printed copy, contact us by e-mail, phone or fax.

*Note:* The meter will remember the last scanned blank reading. It is not necessary to scan a blank each time the test is performed. To use the previous blank reading, instead of scanning a new one, scroll to Scan Sample and proceed. For the most accurate results, the meter should be blanked before each test and the same tube with tube positioning ring should be used for the blank and the reacted sample.

### Testing Tips

1. Wash tubes thoroughly after testing to prevent staining of tubes and contamination of future test reactions with DPD residue.
2. When using liquid DPD reagents, invert bottle in a completely vertical position to dispense uniform drops. Do not tilt bottle at an angle.
3. Follow instructions. Obey time limits.
4. In samples with extremely high chlorine concentrations, above 10 ppm, the reagent system will show an initial flash of dark pink color that will fade quickly. Dilute the sample and test again.
5. When testing salt water, double the amount of reagent used. Use ten drops of each DPD liquid reagent or two DPD tablets.
6. Oxidized manganese (permanganate) will interfere with this test. Iodine and bromine will give a positive interference.
7. A permanganate check standard is not recommended for calibration when using the liquid DPD reagent system.
8. The averaging option is not available for the chlorine test.

9. When testing at low concentrations use the same tube for the blank and the sample.
10. Always use the tube positioning ring. Always insert tube into the meter chamber with the same amount of pressure and to the same depth.
11. Occasionally clean the chamber with a damp lint-free wipe, followed by an alcohol dampened wipe. A clean chamber and tubes are essential for reliable results.

## COLOR

Test results are reported as cu (Color Units).

### ANALYSIS

1. Press **\*IOK** to turn the meter on.



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2. Press **\*IOK** to select **Measure**.

**Main Menu**

**\* Measure**  
**Data**  
**Options**

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3. Scroll down and then press **\*IOK** to select **Color**.

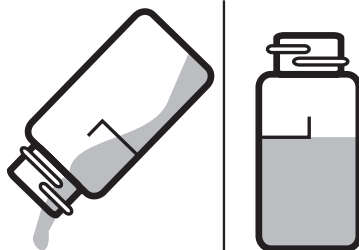
**Measure**

**Turbidity**  
**\* Color**  
**Chlorine**

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4. Rinse a clean tube (0290) with color-free (distilled or deionized) water. Fill the tube to the 10 mL line with color-free water. Dry the tube with a lint-free cloth. Put on a dry positioning ring. Cap the tube.



5. Open the meter lid. Insert the tube into the chamber. Align the index notch on the positioning ring with the index arrow on the meter. Close the lid and press **\*IOK** to select **Scan Blank**.

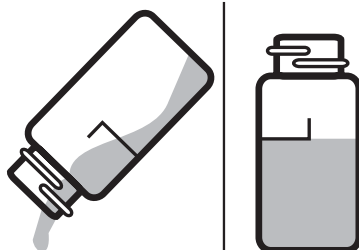
**Color**

**\* Scan Blank** ▼

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6. Remove the tube from the meter. Empty the tube. Rinse the tube with the sample water. Fill the tube to the 10 mL line with the sample water.



7. Open the meter lid. Insert the tube with the sample water. Align the index notch on the positioning ring with the index arrow on the meter. Close the lid. Scroll down and press **\*IOK** to select **Scan Sample**.

<b>Color</b>	
* <b>Scan Sample</b> ▼	
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8. Record the result.

<b>Color</b>	
<b>28.0</b> cu	
* <b>Scan Sample</b> ▼	
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9. Press **OFF** to turn the meter off or press **◀** to exit to a previous menu or make another menu selection.


*Note:* The meter will remember the last scanned blank reading. It is not necessary to scan a blank each time the test is performed. To use the previous blank reading, instead of scanning a new one, scroll to Scan Sample and proceed. For the most accurate results, the meter should be blanked before each test and the same tube with tube positioning ring should be used for the blank and the reacted sample.

## Dilution Procedures


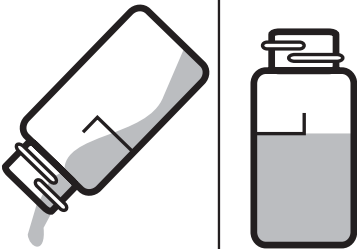
Samples and standards may be diluted with distilled or deionized water.

## Standard Solutions

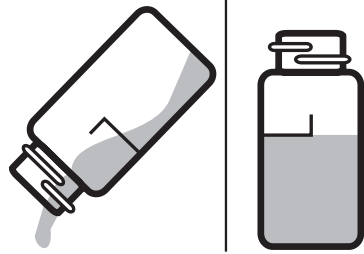
The meter has been calibrated with colored standards of known concentrations of platinum cobalt. One unit of color is equivalent to the color that is produced by 1 mg platinum/L in the form of the chloroplatinate ion. A 500 cu Color Standard (60 mL, Code 6058-H) is available from LaMotte.

## Calibration Procedure

The meter should be calibrated with platinum cobalt color standards. For the most accurate results, a user calibration should be performed with LaMotte Color Standards. The calibration should be done with a distilled or deionized water blank and one color standard of known concentration. The concentration of the calibration standard should be similar to the expected concentration of samples that will be tested.

<p>1. Press <b>*IOK</b> to turn the meter on.</p>	 <p style="text-align: center;">1.3</p>
<p>2. Press <b>*IOK</b> to select <b>Measure</b>.</p>	<p><b>Main Menu</b></p> <p><b>* Measure</b> <b>Data</b> <b>Options</b></p> <hr/> <p><b>16:02:19</b> <span style="float: right;"><b>01/04/05</b></span></p>
<p>3. Scroll down and then press <b>*IOK</b> to select <b>Color</b>.</p>	<p><b>Measure</b></p> <p><b>Turbidity</b> <b>* Color</b> <b>Chlorine</b></p> <hr/> <p><b>16:02:19</b> <span style="float: right;"><b>01/04/05</b></span></p>
<p>4. Rinse a clean tube (0290) with color-free (distilled or deionized) water. Fill the tube to the 10 mL line with color-free water. Dry the tube with a lint-free cloth. Put on a dry positioning ring. Cap the tube.</p>	
<p>5. Open the meter lid. Insert the tube into the chamber. Align the index notch on the positioning ring with the index arrow on the meter. Close the lid and press <b>*IOK</b> to select <b>Scan Blank</b>.</p>	<p><b>Color</b></p> <hr/> <p><b>* Scan Blank</b> <span style="float: right;">▼</span></p> <hr/> <p><b>16:02:19</b> <span style="float: right;"><b>01/04/05</b></span></p>

6. Remove the tube from the meter. Empty the tube. Rinse the tube with the color standard. Fill the tube to the 10 mL line with the color standard.



7. Open the meter lid. Insert the tube with the color standard. Align the index notch on the positioning ring with the index arrow on the meter. Close the lid. Press **\*IOK** to select **Scan Sample**.

Color	
* Scan Sample ▼	
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8. View the result.

Color	
28.0 cu	
* Scan Sample ▼	
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9. Press ▼ and then press **\*IOK** to select **Calibrate**.

Color	
28.0 cu	
* Calibrate ▲	
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10. Use ▼ or ▲ to change the highlighted digits on the display to match the concentration of the color standard. Press **\*IOK** to accept a digit and move to the next digit.

Calibrate	
028.0	
▼, *, ▲	
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Calibrate	
028.0	
▼, *, ▲	
16:02:19	01/04/05



Calibrate	
038.0 ▼, *, ▲	
16:02:19	01/04/05

Calibrate	
038.0 ▼, *, ▲	
16:02:19	01/04/05

Calibrate	
030.0 ▼, *, ▲	
16:02:19	01/04/05

Calibrate	
030.0 ▼, *, ▲	
16:02:19	01/04/05

11. When the value on the display matches the concentration of the color standard, press **\*IOK** to select **Set**.

Calibrate	
030.0 * Set ▼	
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Or press the ▼ and press **\*IOK** to return the meter to the default setting.

Calibrate	
030.0 * Default ▼	
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13. Press **\*IOK** to proceed to Turbidity analysis. Press **OFF** to turn the meter off or press ◀ to exit to a previous menu or make another menu selection.


*Note:* The meter will remember the last scanned blank reading. It is not necessary to scan a blank each time the test is performed. To use the previous blank reading, instead of scanning a new one, scroll to Scan Sample and proceed. For the most accurate results, the meter should be blanked before each test and the same tube with tube positioning ring should be used for the blank and the reacted sample.

## Testing Tips

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1. Always use a clean test tube.
2. Use the averaging option for low level measurements of color.
3. Turbidity will interfere with the color test. Sample may be filtered before testing but results will be as true color. (See *What is Color?*, page 22)
4. When testing at low concentrations use the same tube for the blank and the sample.
5. Always use the positioning ring. Always insert tube into the meter chamber with the same amount of pressure and to the same depth.
6. Occasionally clean the chamber with a damp lint-free wipe, followed by an alcohol dampened wipe. A clean chamber and tubes are essential for reliable results.

## TROUBLESHOOTING GUIDE

### Error Messages

Err1	Very Low battery. Replace battery or switch to AC power. Press back arrow (◀) to back out. Scan sample again. Replace battery as soon as possible.
Err2	The meter can not be calibrated outside of the allowable range of the displayed reading. Confirm that standard was made correctly. The displayed reading can only be adjusted to $\pm 50\%$ of the factory calibration.
Err3	Meter can not be calibrated with a zero sample. Calibrate the meter with a sample other than zero.
Err4	Processing error. Scan sample again.
Err5	No blank reading. The meter has never been blanked for this test factor. Blank meter.
Err6	Internal mathematical error. Re-blank the meter and rescan the sample.
Err7	Configuration error. Call LaMotte Tech Service. Meter may have to be returned for repairs.
low battery	Low battery. Change battery.

### TROUBLESHOOTING

PROBLEM	REASON	SOLUTION
Erroneous readings	Measurement was taken with lid open.	Close lid. Read again.
> on display	Over range.	The sample is outside of the acceptable range. Dilute sample and test again.
Meter freezes	Lid was opened when reading was being taken.	Close lid. Read again. Unplug adapter. Plug adapter in to reset.
Lost in meter menus in another language	Reset to factory settings.	Hold down * <b>IOK</b> and press <b>ON</b> . Release both buttons. Press * <b>IOK</b> to select the default settings. Meter will turn off and the factory settings will be restored.

## **Stray Light**

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The accuracy of readings on the TC 3000 should not be affected by stray light. Make sure that the sample compartment lid is always fully closed when taking readings.

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## **PC LINK**

The TC-3000 may be interfaced with any Windows-based computer by using the LaMotte SMARTLink 2 Program and Interface Cable (Code 1912-3 with 3.5 inch disk or Code 1912-CD with compact disk). The program will store test information and results in a database. The meter may also be interfaced with an RS232 serial printer, using an interface cable (Code 1772) and setting the printer configuration to the Output as described below.

## **Output**

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RS232 compatible, asynchronous serial, 9600 baud, no parity, 8 data bits, 1 stop bit.

## **Computer Connection**

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RS232 interface connection, 8 pin mini-DIN/9 pin F D-submin. (Order Interface Cable Code 1772).

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## BATTERY OPERATION

The TC-3000 may be operated on battery power or using an AC adapter. If using the meter as a bench top unit, use the AC adapter if possible. If using the meters only on battery power, always keep a spare battery on hand.

### Replacing the Battery

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The TC-3000 uses a standard 9-volt alkaline battery that is available worldwide. The battery compartment is located on the bottom of the case.

### To replace the battery:

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1. Open the battery compartment lid.
2. Remove the battery and disconnect the battery from the polarized plug.
3. Carefully connect the new battery to the polarized plug and insert it into the compartment.
4. Close the battery compartment lid.

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## MAINTENANCE

### Cleaning

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Clean meter with a damp, lint-free cloth.

DO NOT ALLOW WATER TO ENTER THE METER CHAMBER OR ANY OTHER PARTS OF THE METER.

Clean meter chamber and lenses over LEDs with a lint-free cloth slightly dampened with alcohol.

### Repairs

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Should it be necessary to return the meter for repair or servicing, pack the meter carefully in a suitable container with adequate packing material. A return authorization number must be obtained from LaMotte Company by calling 800-344-3100 (US only) or 410-778-3100, faxing 410-778-6394, or emailing [tech@lamotte.com](mailto:tech@lamotte.com). Often a problem can be resolved over the phone or by email. If a return of the meter is necessary, attach a letter with the return authorization number, meter serial number, a brief description of problem and contact information including phone and FAX numbers to the shipping carton. This information will enable the service department to make the required repairs more efficiently.





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