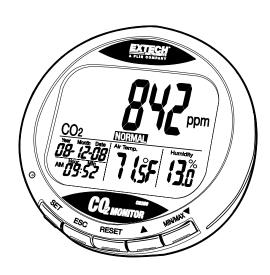


# **User's Guide**

CO<sub>2</sub> Monitor

**Model CO200** 



## Introduction

Congratulations on your purchase of this Model CO200 Carbon Dioxide Meter. This meter measures CO2 level, air temp., humidity, date and time. With visible and audible alarms, this is an ideal instrument for indoor air quality (IAQ) diagnosis. This meter is shipped fully tested and calibrated and, with proper use, will provide years of reliable service.

## **Meter Description**

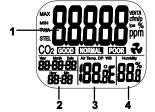
#### Meter

- 1. CO2, Temp and RH sensors (rear)
- 2. LCD display
- 3. Controls



## **LCD Display**

- 1. CO<sub>2</sub> concentration in ppm
- 2. Date and Time
- 3. Air Temperature
- 4. % Relative Humidity



## **Symbols**

ppm CO<sub>2</sub> value

GOOD CO2 air quality level
NORMAL CO2 I air quality level
POOR CO2 air quality level
Air Temp Air Temperature
Humidity % Relative Humidity
°C or °F Celsius or Fahrenheit

MAX/MIN Maximum or Minimum reading

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Relay activated

Controls

**SET** Enters setup mode.

Saves and finishes settings.

**ESC** Exits setup page/mode.

Terminates during CO<sub>2</sub> calibration.

**RESET** Press to clear the MAX/MIN. -

Terminates during RH calibration.

▲ Selects mode or increases value in setup

MIN/MAX▼ Activates MAX, MIN function.

Enters CO₂ calibration with SET and ▲

#### **POWER ON**

Plug in the adaptor and the meter turns on automatically with a short beep. If the voltage is too high or low, "**bAt**" will display on the LCD and an LED will flash.

The LCD will display current CO<sub>2</sub>, temp., humidity, date and time. The air quality level is displayed as well



#### TAKING MEASUREMENT

The meter starts measurements when powered on and updates readings every second. If the operating environment changes (ex. from high to low temp.), it takes 30 sec for CO<sub>2</sub> sensor to respond and 30 minutes for RH.

NOTE: Do not hold the meter close to your mouth or any other source of CO2.

#### **MAX/MIN**

In the normal mode, press the MIN/MAX button to see the minimum and maximum of CO<sub>2</sub>, Temperature and Humidity. Each press of MIN/MAX button will sequence through the MIN, MAX display and then returns to normal mode.

Press and hold the RESET button for more than 1 second to clear the minimum and maximum value from memory.

#### **ALARM & OUTPUT**

The meter features an audible alarm which will give warnings when the CO<sub>2</sub> concentration exceeds the set limit. There are two settable limits, an upper limit that initiates the alarm and a lower limit to stop the alarm.

The meter emits beeps and displays the fan icon on the display when the CO<sub>2</sub> level goes over the upper limit. The audible alarm can be stopped by pressing any key or it automatically stops when CO<sub>2</sub> reading falls below the lower limit.

If the beeper is temporarily shut down, it will sound again when readings fall below lower limit and then go over the upper limit again or it the user presses the RESET button for more than 1 second to activate it.

The fan icon keeps flashing when beeps are manually shut down. It stops only when readings fall under the lower limit

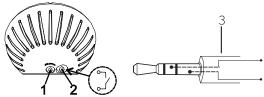


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#### **RELAY OUTPUT**

The meter is designed with a relay for connection to an external indicating or controlling device. When CO<sub>2</sub> readings go over the upper limit the relay closes. The relay will open again when CO<sub>2</sub> readings fall below the lower limit. The relay output port requires a 2.5mm STEREO phone jack plug. The relay is: 1A 30VDC/0.5A 125VAC.

- 1. AC adaptor input (5VDC)
- 2. Alarm Relay output
- 3. Phone plug wiring

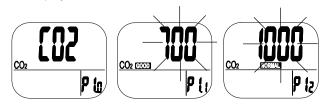


**SETUP** (Alarm level, Temperature scale, Real Time clock)

Hold the SET button, in the normal mode, for more than 1 second to enter the setup mode.

#### P1.1 CO2 ALARM: GOOD LEVEL

When entering the setup mode, P1.0 and "CO2" are displayed on the LCD. Press the SET button again to go into P1.1 for setting the CO2 upper limit for the GOOD level. The current set value will be blinking on the display.



Press the ▲or MIN/MAX▼ button to increase or decrease the value. Each press adjusts in 100ppm increments. The alarm range is 0 to 700ppm.

When the value has been set, press the SET button to confirm the GOOD limit and to proceed to P1.2 for setting the upper NORMAL limit. Press the ESC button to exit without saving the setting.

#### P1.2 CO2 ALARM: NORMAL LEVEL

P1.2 is used for setting the CO2 upper limit for the NORMAL level. The current set value will be blinking on the display.

Press the ▲ or MIN/MAX ▼ button to increase or decrease the value. Each press adjusts in 100ppm increments. The alarm range is 700 to 1000ppm.

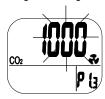
When the value has been set, press the SET button to confirm the NORMAL limit and to proceed to P1.3 for setting the upper POOR limit. Press the ESC button to exit without saving the setting.

#### P1.3 CO2 ALARM: BEEP ALARM

P1.3 is used for setting the CO<sub>2</sub> upper limit for the BEEPER ALARM level. The current set value will be blinking on the display.

Press the ▲or MIN/MAX▼ button to increase or decrease the value. Each press adjusts in 100ppm increments. The alarm range is 1000 to 5000ppm.

When the value has been set, press the SET button to confirm the limit and to proceed to P1.0. Press the ESC button to exit without saving the setting.

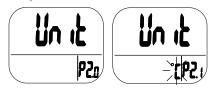


#### **P2.0 TEMPERATURE SCALE**

Press the ▲ button in P1.0 mode to access P2.0 for setting the temperature scale.

Press the SET button to go into the P2.1setting mode. The °C or °F will blink.

Press the ▲button to change the units. Press the SET button to confirm the setting or press the ESC button to exit without saving and return to P2.0.

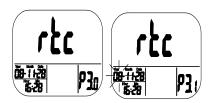


#### **P3.0 REAL TIME CLOCK**

Press the ▲ button in P1.0 twice to access P3.0 for setting up real time clock. Press the SET button and the meter goes into P3.1 with blinking year in the lower left display. To change the year, press the ▲ button or the MIN/MAX▼ button. Press the SET button to save the setting and then enter P3.2 or press the ESC button return to P3.0 without saving the setting.

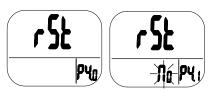
Press the ▲ button P3.1 to access P3.2. The current month setting will blink. To change the month, press the ▲ button or the MIN/MAX ▼ button. Press the SET button to save the setting and then enter P3.3 or press the ESC button return to P3.0 without saving the setting.

Repeat as above to finish the setting of P3.3 (Date), P3.4 (Hour) and P3.5 (Minute)



#### P4.0 RESET

Press the  $\blacktriangle$  button in P1.0 three times to access P4.0 to reset the meter to default settings. Press the SET and the meter will go to P4.1 with a blinking "No". Press the  $\blacktriangle$  to switch the status then press either the  $\blacktriangle$  button to save the settings or the ESC button to exit without saving the settings.



## Default settings:

Parameter	Default
P1.1	700ppm
P1.2	1000ppm
P1.3	1000ppm
P2.1	∘C
P4.1	No

#### **CO<sub>2</sub> CALIBRATION**

The meter is calibrated to a standard 400ppm CO<sub>2</sub> concentration at the factory

**NOTE:** When the accuracy becomes a concern or after a year of use, return the meter to Extech for a standard calibration.

**CAUTION:** Do not calibrate the meter in an atmosphere of unknown CO<sub>2</sub> concentration.

#### **ABC (Automatic Baseline Calibration)**

ABC (Automatic Baseline Calibration) establishes a baseline calibration to eliminate the zero drift of the infrared sensor. The ABC function is always "ON" when the meter is turned on. ABC is designed to calibrate the meter at the minimum CO2 reading detected during 7.5 days continuous monitoring (power on). It assumes that the area being tested receives fresh air with a CO2 level of approximately 400ppm at some period of time during the seven days. It is not suitable to use desktop CO2 in closed areas with consistently high CO2 levels 24 hours a day.

#### **Manual Calibration**

Manual calibration is suggested to be done outdoors on a sunny day with good ventilation and fresh air where the CO<sub>2</sub> level is approximately 400 ppm. Do not calibrate on a rainy day because high humidity will affect the CO<sub>2</sub> level in air.

Do not calibrate in places crowded with people or close to where high CO2 concentrations may exist such as ventilating outlets or fireplaces.

Place the meter in the calibration site. Turn on the meter and hold down the **SET**, ▲ and MIN/MAX ▼ buttons simultaneously more than 1 second to enter CO<sub>2</sub> calibration mode. "400ppm" and "CO<sub>2</sub>" will blink while the calibration is in process.



The calibration will take about 30 minutes. When the calibration is complete, the blinking stops and the meter returns to normal operation. To abort the calibration, press the RESET button for more than 1 second.

**Note:** Keep away from any animal, human or plant which might affect the CO2 concentration during the calibration.

## **Specifications**

Function	Range	Resolution	Accuracy
CO <sub>2</sub>	0 to 9999ppm	1ppm	±(5%rdg +50ppm)
Temperature	-10 to 60°C 14 to 140°F	0.1°	±0.6°C/0.9°F
Humidity	0.1 to 99.9%	0.1%	±3%(10 to 90%) ±5%(< 10% or > 90%)

Display LCD

Sensor Type CO2: NDIR (non-dispersive infrared) technology

Humidity: Capacitance sensor; Temperature (air): Thermistor

Response CO2: <2min for 90% step change

Temp: <2min for 90% step change %RH: <10min for 90% step change

Relay 1A 30VDC/0.5A 125VAC

Operating Conditions 14 to  $140^{\circ}$ F (-10 to  $60^{\circ}$ C); < 90% RH non-condensing Storage Conditions -4 to  $140^{\circ}$ F (-20 to  $60^{\circ}$ C); < 99% RH non-condensing

Power Supply 5VDC (±10%), ≥ 500mA

Dimensions / Weight 4.6x4x4" (117x102x102mm); 7.2 oz (204g))

## Maintenance

## **CLEANING AND STORAGE**

- 1. The meter should be cleaned with a damp cloth and mild detergent when necessary. Do not use solvents or abrasives.
- 2. Store the meter in an area with moderate temperature and humidity.

# TROUBLESHOOTING

Can't power on:	Check whether the adaptor is properly plugged in.
Slow response:	Check whether the air flow channels on the rear of the meter are blocked.
"BAt" and green LED keep flashing:	The adaptor output voltage is too high or too low. Please use the adaptor with correct output.

## **Error Codes:**

CO <sub>2</sub> Display	CO2 FOR SOLES	
E01	CO <sub>2</sub> sensor is damaged	Send back for repair
E02	CO <sub>2</sub> reading is under the lower limit	Re-calibrate the meter, if it still appears, return for repair
E03	CO2 reading is above the upper limit	Put the meter in fresh air and wait for 5minutes, if it still appear, re-calibrate the meter. If above two methods faile, return for repair
E17	ABC mode of CO2 senor has failed and might cause wrong CO2 readings	Send back for repair

Temp Display	CO: ED2 BB3	
E02	Air temp. measurement is under the lower limit	Put the meter in regular room temperature for 30 minutes, if it still appears, return for repair
E03	Air temp. measurement is over the upper limit	Put the meter in regular room temperature for 30 minutes, if it still appears, return for repair
E31	Temp. sensor or measuring circuit is damaged	Return for repair

Humidity Display	Calc	VBBpm ED2 ED4
E04	Air temp. measurement	Refer to temperature error code for
	has error code	problem solving
E11	The RH calibration has	Please return for repair
	failed	
E34	RH sensor or measuring	Return for repair
	circuit has failed	

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## CO<sub>2</sub> Levels and Guidelines

Non-E	nforced Reference levels:
FO.	250 - 350 ppm – background (normal) outdoor air level
F9	350- 1,000 ppm - typical level found in occupied spaces with good air exchange.
FO.	1,000 – 2,000 ppm - level associated with complaints of drowsiness and poor air.
FO	2,000 – 5,000 ppm – level associated with headaches, sleepiness, and stagnant, stale, stuffy air. Poor concentration, loss of attention, increased heart rate and slight nausea may also be present.
FO BT	>5,000 ppm – Exposure may lead to serious oxygen deprivation resulting in permanent brain damage, coma and even death.

#### Regulatory exposure limits:

ASHRAE Standard 62-1989: 1000ppm: CO<sub>2</sub> concentration in occupied building should not exceed 1000ppm.

OSHA: 5000ppm: Time weighted average over five 8-hour work days should not exceed 5000ppm

Building bulletin 101 (Bb101): 1500ppm. UK standards for schools say that CO<sub>2</sub> at averaged over the whole day (i.e. 9am to 3.30 pm) should not exceed 1500ppm.

Germany, Japan, Australia, UK: 5000ppm, 8 hours weighted average occupational exposure limit is 5000ppm.

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