EasyView Digital Light Meter

Model EA30
Introduction

Thank you for selecting the Extech EasyView Digital Light Meter which measures light level (luminance). This device measures up to 40,000 Fc and 400,000 Lux. This device is shipped fully tested and calibrated and, with proper use, will provide years of reliable service.

Meter Description

1. LCD display
2. Range button
3. Power ON/OFF button
4. Peak hold button
5. Lux select button
6. Photo sensor (lens cover not shown)
7. Sensor input to top of meter
8. Data HOLD button
9. MAX/MIN button
10. fc foot candle select button
11. RELATIVE function button

Note: Battery compartment is located on the rear of the instrument
**Operation**

**Turn Power ON or OFF**
1. Press the \( \textcircled{\text{O}} \) button to turn power on or off. The meter will perform a short self-test when turned on.

**Light sensor**
1. The light sensor is permanently attached to the meter. A coiled cable attaches the sensor to the meter.
2. The white domed light sensor lens is a photo diode and resides underneath the protective cap.
3. The meter automatically zeroes, therefore a zero calibration is not necessary.
4. The back of the sensor has a tripod mounting hole.

**Taking light measurements**
1. Remove the protective cap from the sensor and face the white domed light sensor toward the source of light to be monitored. For overhead lighting, the sensor can be placed on a desk or table top.
2. The light being measured must encompass the entire white sensor dome.
3. Read the light level on the LCD. If the light measurement is out of range an “OL” indication will appear on the display. If the ‘OL’ appears, select another range by pressing the RANGE button.

**Selecting Lux or Foot candle units of measure**
Press the LUX button to select lux units and the fc button to select foot candle units.

**MX MN Function (stores/recalls highest MX and lowest MN readings)**
Press the MX/MN button once to put the meter in MX mode. The meter will now display only the highest reading (MX is displayed on the upper left-hand portion of the LCD). Press MX/MN again to put the meter in MN mode where the meter displays only the lowest reading (MN icon is displayed). Press MX/MN again to have the meter continue to record the highest and lowest readings but display only the current reading (both MX and MN icons appear flashing), then use the MX/MN button to scroll through the highest and lowest readings. To exit the MX MN mode, press and hold the MX/MN button until the MX and MN icons completely disappear.

**Data Hold**
Press the HOLD button to freeze the displayed reading. The 'H' hold icon will appear on the upper right-hand side of the display. Press the HOLD button again to return to normal operation (the 'H' hold icon will disappear). When hold function is enabled the analog bar graph will continue to display level changes.

**Peak Hold**
The Peak Hold feature allows the meter to captures light level changes that occur in as little time as 100\(\mu\)s. Press the PEAK button momentarily and the ‘P+’ icon will appear on the LCD. The meter can now measure a fast acting light peak and display it on the LCD. To exit the Peak Hold mode, press the PEAK button.

**Relative mode**
Measurements can be displayed as a difference between actual light level and a stored reference value. To store a reading as a reference, press the REL button when the desired reference measurement is on the LCD (the triangle icon will appear steady in the upper left-hand corner of the LCD). All subsequent displayed readings will be “relative” to the stored reference value. For example, if the reference value is 100 and the actual light level is 125, the meter will display 25. To view the reference value, press the REL button again so that the triangle icon begins to flash. The displayed value will be the reference value. To exit the Relative mode, press and hold the REL button until the triangle icon disappears.
**Maintenance**

**Cleaning and storage**
1. The white plastic sensor dome should be cleaned with a damp cloth when necessary.
2. Store the meter in an area with moderate temperature and humidity (refer to the operating and storage range in the specifications chart earlier in this manual).

**Battery Replacement**
When the battery power falls low, the ‘BT’ symbol will appear on the lower left-hand side of the LCD. Replace the six (6) 1.5 ‘AAA’ batteries by removing the rear (center) battery compartment screw and accessing the battery compartment. Observe polarity when placing the batteries in the compartment. Ensure that the compartment cover is securely fastened when finished.

You, as the end user, are legally bound (EU Battery ordinance) to return all used batteries, **disposal in the household garbage is prohibited**! You can hand over your used batteries / accumulators at collection points in your community or wherever batteries / accumulators are sold!

**Disposal:** Follow the valid legal stipulations in respect of the disposal of the device at the end of its lifecycle

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**Specifications**

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**Display**
- Multi-function 3-3/4 (3999) digit LCD with Bargraph indicator

**Over range indication**
- LCD displays ‘OL’

**Spectral response**
- CIE photopic (CIE human eye response curve)

**Spectral accuracy**
- CIE $V(\lambda)$ function ($f_1 \; \% 6\%$)

**Measure Repeatability**
- ±2%

**Temperature coefficient**
- ±0.1% per °C

**Sampling rate**
- 13.3 times per second (Bargraph); 1.3 times per second (digital display)

**Photo detector**
- Silicon photo-diode with spectral response filter

**Peak hold**
- Capture light peaks to 100uS

**Operating conditions**
- Temperature: 0 to 40°C (32 to 104°F); Humidity: < 80% RH

**Storage conditions**
- Temperature: -10 to 50°C (14 to 140°F); Humidity: < 80% RH

**Dimensions**
- 150 x 72 x 33mm (5.91 x 2.8 x 1.4")

**Weight**
- Approx. 320g (11.3 oz.) with battery

**Low battery indication**
- “BT” appears on the LCD

**Power supply**
- 6 ‘AAA’ cells; Battery life approx 400 hours
## Typical Light Levels

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Spectral Sensitivity

Wavelength (nm) vs. Relative Response

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CIE Response