

# **OPERATING MANUAL**



# **CONDUCTIVITY METER**

**BMET-307** 





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# 1. Introduction

# 1.1 Introduction

MET31-005A Conductivity Meter can measure conductivity, TDS, resistivity, salinity and ash in water solution, and can be widely used in universities, environmental protection, medicine, food, sanitation, geological prospecting, metallurgy, ocean exploration.

- General Features
- Color High contrast LCD touchscreen, 7.0 inches.
- Intelligent operation system provides features including user management, calibration management, method management, data management and etc.
- Multi-reading feature allows auto-read, timed-read and continuous-read.
- Automatic/Manual temperature compensation ensures accurate results.
- Data storage 1000 sets for each parameter (GLP-compliant).
- Data analysis feature helps user review, compare and recalculate results.
- Support for USB or RS-232 communication.
- Reset feature automatically resumes all settings back to factory default options.
- IP54 waterproof.
- 1-5 points calibration with standard recognition.
- Settable parameters, including cell constant, reference temperature (5/10/15/18/20/ 25°C), temperature compensation coefficient and TDS factor.
- Temperature compensation type (none, linear, pure water).

# 1.2 Technical Specification

Table 1-1 Instrument Specifications

Model		MET31-005A		
	Range	0.000 μS/cm~2000mS/cm		
	Resolution	$0.001\ \mu\text{S/cm},$ automatic switching according to the range		
Conductivity	Accuracy	±0.5% (FS)		
Conductivity	Repeatability	0.17%(FS)		
	Measurement Accuracy	±0.80% (FS)		
	Measurement Repeatability	0.40% (FS)		
	Range	5.00Ω·cm~100.0MΩ·cm		
Resistivity	Resolution	$0.01\Omega\cdot\text{cm}$ , automatic switching according to the range		
	Accuracy	±0.5% (FS)		
	Range	0.000 ppm~1000 ppt		
TDS	Resolution	0.001 ppm, automatic switching according to the range		
	Accuracy	±0.5% (FS)		

	Range	(0.00~8.00)%	
Calinity	Resolution	0.01%	
Salinity	Accuracy	±0.1%	
	Instrument indication error	±0.2%	
Temperature Range		(-10.0~135.0) °C	
	Resolution	0.1 °C	
Temperature	Accuracy	±0.1 °C	
remperature	Instrument indication error	±0.3°C(0.0°C~60.0°C), ±1.0°C(Else)	
Work environment		Ambient temperature: (0~40) °C Relative humidity: not more than 85%	
Dimensions (LxBxH), weight (kg).		220mm x195mmx68mm,about 0.95kg	
Power supply		AC Adapter,100-240V AC input, DC24V output	

# 1.3 Function Introduction

Table 1-2 Functions Specification

Function		Explanation
	Backlight adjustment	•
	Automatic diagnostics	•
	Reset settings	•
	Default parameter	•
	Prompt Sound	•
	Time settings	•
Basic Function	Firmware upgrade	•
	Password	•
	Anti-interference automatic recovery	•
	Power failure protection	•
	Automatic shutdown	•
	Protection	IP54
	Reading stability settings	•
Boading Function	Auto-lock reading	•
Reading Function	Reading Mode	Continuous, Auto, Timed
	Sample ID	•

	Storage	1000 sets of measurement parameters each. 100 sets of verification parameters each. 100 sets of calibration parameters each.	
Data Management	Filter	Storage number, time, operator, method name, sample ID and electrode ID.	
Data Management	View	Sheet and Graph	
	Delete	•	
	Alarm	•	
	GLP	•	
	Connect to Printer	RS232	
	U Disk	•	
Communications	Content and format customization	GLP, Standard, custom	
and external	PC Output	•	
devices	Connect to a PC for instrument control	•	
	Scanner	•	
	Auto sampler	•	
	Conductivity	•	
Measurement	Resistivity	•	
Measurement	TDS	•	
	Salinity	Default Mode, Seawater Mode	

	Conductivity-ash	White Sugar Ash, Fructose Glucose Syrup Ash	
	Reference temperature	5.0°C,10.0°C,15.0°C,18.0°C,20.0°C,25.0 °C	
	Multipoint calibration	5 points	
	Automatic standard solutions recognition	Universal and GB groups	
	Cell constant set	•	
	Temperature compensation coefficient set	•	
Measurement	TDS coefficient set	•	
	Ash coefficient set	•	
	Compensation mode	Non-Compensation, linear, DI water	
	Temperature compensation	Automatic/Manual	
	Calibration reminder	•	
	Compulsive calibration	•	
	Calibration reminder	•	
	Compulsive calibration	•	
Temperature	Temperature Unit	°C , °F	
Function	Temperature calibration	•	
	GMP Mode	•	
	System & Running log	•	
Management	User management	•	
	Method management	•	
	Sample list	•	

# 2. Safety Notices

Please read the entire contents of this manual carefully before use, and please keep this manual properly. The user MUST use the instrument following this manual to avoid damage to the user and equipment.

Before using the meter, READ the following notes:

- DO NOT disassemble the device for inspection or repair.
- To prevent electric shock or damage to the device, do not place cables and connectors in any liquid, wet or corrosive environment.
- Please use the defaulted power adapter, Do not use it if the power cord is damaged (the wire is exposed or broken).
- Do not use in flammable and explosive environments.
- Do not use if the user finds any abnormalities such as damage or deformation of the device.

The following identifier will be used in this manual.

# 3. Terms Explanation

- Cell Constant: Also known as the conductivity cell constant. The ratio of the distance to the area of the electrode sheet, expressed in cm-1. Usually, there are conductance electrodes with several cell constants such as 0.01, 0.1, 1.0, 10, etc. The conductance electrode with a cell constant of 1.0 is the most used one and has a wide measurement range.
- Temperature Coefficient: The change in conductivity caused by a 1°C change in temperature is usually expressed in %/°C, and the default is 0.02, which is 2.00%/°C.
- TDS Conversion Factor: The conversion factor between conductivity and TDS, which defaults to 0.5.
- Calibration reminder (Recommended): "Electrode calibration" prompts on the homepage, user can start measurement without last calibration.
- Calibration reminder (Mandatory): "Electrode calibration" prompts on the homepage, calibration is required for accurate measurement.
- Upper limit: The upper limit value is monitored for the measured or calibrated data, and the upper limit value must not be lower than the lower limit value.
- Lower limit: Lower limit monitoring of measured or calibrated data.

# 4. Overview and Installation

# 4.1 Overview

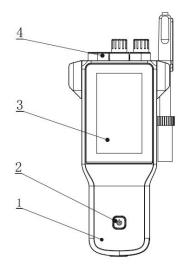


Figure 4-1 Overview-Front View

- 1 Meter Body
- 2 Power Key
- 3 Display

# 4 Socket Cap

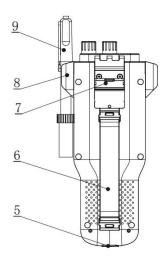


Figure 4-2 Overview- Back View

- 5 Power sockets
- 6 Wristbands
- 7 Flip Tilting Stand
- 8 Electrode Holder
- 9 Electrodes

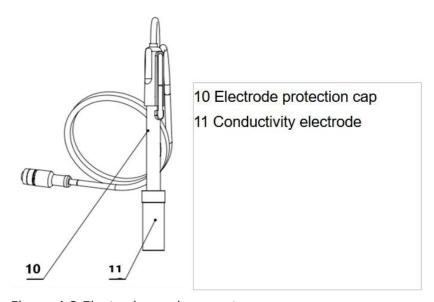


Figure 4-3 Electrodes and connectors

Table 4-1 Connector specifications

Electrode type	Connector specifications	Electrodes Connection
Conductivity electrode	5-pin aviation	Conductivity electrode

# 4.2 Instrument Installation

## 4.2.1 Electrodes Stand Installation

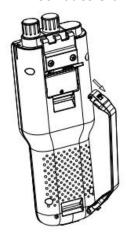
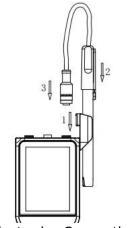


Figure 4-4 Wristband Installation Installation:

- 1) Pull the wristband switch at the head of the wrist so that its closed round hole opens.
- 2) Snap the opened round hole card slot into the shaft of the corresponding instrument housing and close the round hole.
- 3) The lower wristband card slot is also operated as above.
- 4.2.2 Electrodes Connection

Push the conductivity electrode into the electrode holder. Remove the protector cap of the conductivity electrode. Connect the conductivity electrode into the right socket.



**Electrodes Connection** 

# 5. Instrument Operation

# 5.1 Switch On/Off

Press and release to switch on the meter. The startup screen shows the software version and other related information. After the self-test program, the screen turns to the homepage and the meter is ready to measure. Users press and hold the key for more than 3 seconds and release to shut down.

# 5.2 Screen Icons

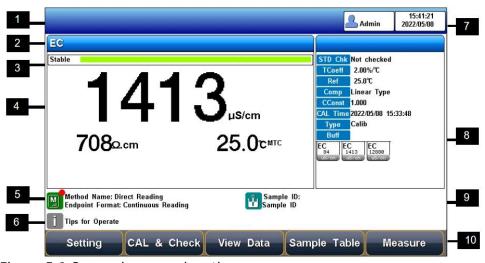


Figure 5-1 Screen icons explanation

1 User ID. 2 Measurement parameters. 3 Reading states. 4 Main measurement box. 5 Method information. 6 Tips information. 7 System time. 8 Calibration information. 9 Sample ID. 10 Function buttons.

The instrument displays symbol identification that has the following functional implications:

Table 5-1 Symbol Explanation

No.	Symbol	Explanation
1	Stable	Reading status, display the measurement status of reading, stable, locked, each indicates that the processing, stable, and reading completed.
2	ATC	Automatic temperature compensation
3	МТС	Manual temperature compensation
4	Temp	Temperature, unit °C and F
5	RES	Resistivity, Unit M $\Omega$ ·cm, k $\Omega$ ·cm, $\Omega$ ·cm
6	STD	Standard solution
7	EC 1413 us/cm	Standard solution for conductivity calibration
8	СС	Cell constant

9	Ref	Reference temperature
10	TC	Temperature coefficient
11	Comp	Compensation mode
12	Туре	Calibration type
13	Time	Calibration time
14	TDSF	TDS conversion factor
15	M	Measurement method management, display the current method information
16	2	User ID
17	<b>L</b>	Sample ID
18	Auto Mode	Auto-recognition of Standards
19	Manual Mode	Manual-recognition of Standards

# 5.3 Methods Management



#### [TIPS]

If a modified built-in method is not saved to library, the "Method management" logo will turn to red. When the user returns to the method management page, the system will prompt.

The meter provides a library of built-in methods. Select the proper method to measure, system loads method's preset information, including the method name, brief overview, creator, creation date, and measurement parameters.

In the method settings, it supports the navigation setting including the method information, parameters, reading mode, conductivity setting, temperature setting and data management setting. For the first use, please follow the guide to settings the measurement parameters.



#### [TIPS]

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Figure 5-2 Methods Information

## 5.3.1 Update Method

When the method is revised by the setting, there is a red mark in the method management logo to remind user that the current method is different from the method in the library.

When press the method in the method library, there is a system tip to give user a choose to update or create a new method.

#### 5.3.2 Create a new Method

There are three modes to create a new method: create method step by step in the system, save the setting as a new method in the system, and save the method with a new name, description and location. The location can be the system and U disk.



Figure 5-3 Method setting view

## 5.3.3 Delete Method

There are 7 methods saved in the meter as the default setting in the library method. The No.001-No.007 method cannot be deleted, and the others can be deleted.

### 5.3.4 Save and Load a Method

It is support to store up to 50 methods in the meter, and save and load the methods in the U Disk.

# 5.4 Parameter Settings

Press "Setting"- to the setting menu. It includes tutorial setting, method information, select parameters, reading mode, EC parameters, Temperature parameters and data management, output option, User management, system parameters and GMP Mode.



Figure 5-4 Parameters setting view

## 5.4.1 Tutorial settings

For the first use, please follow the guide to settings the measurement parameters. After all the settings, press the Parameter Setting " to return to the previous page.

## 5.4.2 Select parameters

It could select one measurement parameter from conductivity, TDS, salinity and resistivity every test.

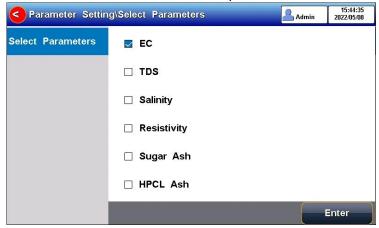


Figure 5-5 Select parameters

### 5.4.3 Reading Mode Settings

The meter provides three reading modes, including continuous readings, auto readings, and timed readings.

- Continuous reading: The instrument displays real-time measurement results. User can end the measurement at any time and save the last result.
- Auto-reading: The measurement reached the balance, and the meter locked the reading result. The meter offers "Fast", "Medium", "Strict" and "Custom" four options for endpoint detection conditions.
- Time reading method: Timed Reading contains two kinds of timed reading methods: "Interval Measurement" and "Timed Measurement". "Interval Measurement" provide measurement results at interval time and "Timed Measurement" provide measurement result after a set time.

Table 5-2 Reading Parameters Settings

Stability Type		Conductivity	
Fast	Stable time	5s	
l ast	Fluctuation	1.0%	
Medium	Stable time	8s	
Mediam	Fluctuation	0.4%	
Strict	Stable time	15s	
Strict	Fluctuation	0.1%	
Custom	Stable time	1 to 30s	
(Recommended value)	Fluctuation	0.1~2%	

# 5.4.4 Conductivity Parameter Settings

# 5.4.4.1 EC Electrode management

The electrode information includes the name, serial No., user ID, registration time, service life, calibration message, calibration number, last calibration time. It allows user to choose one electrode to calibrate and measure samples.

The meter has one created default EC electrode, which is convenient for users. When using the built-in default electrode, the meter automatically loads the electrode serial number and the last calibration result, including calibration points, constant cell, etc., and the calibration time and calibrator will also be loaded.

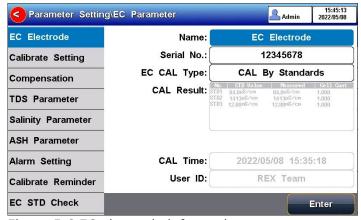


Figure 5-6 EC electrode information

### 5.4.4.2 EC calibration type

EC calibration type: Cal by Standards and input manually.

Cal By Standards: Cell constant is calibrated with standard conductivity standard solution.

Input manually: It allows user to set the cell constant.

Conductivity electrode: Four conductivity cell constant 0.01, 0.1, 1, 10. The defaulted conductivity cell constant is 1. Users need to enter the cell constant value on the label of conductivity electrode for accurate measurement.

#### 5.4.4.3 Cal Information

The meter provides two EC standards groups including universal group and GB group. And allows the user to prepare the customized standard groups.

For neighboring standards, please choose the customization to perform calibration.

Table 5-3 Standard solution groups

Standard group	Standard solution
Universal Group	10μS/cm,84μS/cm,500μS/cm,1413μS/cm and12880μS/cm.
GB group	146.5μS/cm,1408μS/cm,12852μS/cm and 111310μS/cm.



Figure 5-7 Selection of conductivity standards

## 5.4.4.4 EC Reference temperature

Conductivity reference temperature: The conductivity of the solution is greatly affected by temperature, to make the conductivity measurement results at different temperatures comparable, the conductivity and temperature values at the time of measurement are usually recorded and converted into the conductivity value at a certain temperature through temperature compensation, which is the reference temperature.

When measurement parameter is conductivity, TDS or resistivity, the meter allows settings of 5.0°C,10.0°C,15.0°C,18.0°C,20.0°C,25.0 °C 6 reference temperatures, the default reference temperature is 25 °C.

When measurement parameter is salinity, the default reference temperature is 18 °C and cannot change. When measurement parameter is Conductivity ash, the default reference temperature is 20 °C and cannot change.

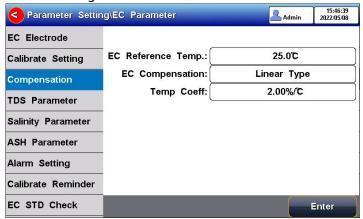


Figure 5-8 Conductivity temperature compensation setting

### 5.4.4.5 Conductivity Compensation

EC Compensation Mode: Three different compensation modes can be used for various applications. The meter supports Linear type, DI water type and non-comp type.

- 1) Linear type: Linear compensation is usually used for the measurement of medium and high conductivity solutions. With linear compensation, you can set the temperature compensation coefficient, which defaults to 2.00%/°C (approximately the temperature compensation coefficient of a sodium chloride solution at 25°C). It allows user to set the temperature coefficient.
- 2) DI water type: DI water compensation is usually used for the measurement of pure water and ultrapure hydropower conductivity below 5µS/cm. It allows user to set the temperature coefficient.
- 3) Non-comp type: Non compensation is usually used to obtain the true conductivity value at the measured temperature.

#### 5.4.4.6 TDS Parameter

The TDSF calibration type can be calibrated by standard solution or setting the TDS Factor. The TDS factor can be adjustable, and the default is 0.500. It allows user to calibrate the TDS Factor.

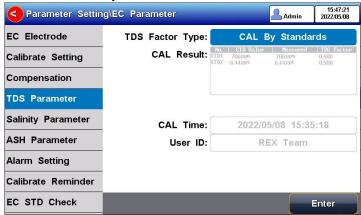


Figure 5-9 TDS measurement settings

# 5.4.4.7 Salinity parameter

The meter supports both default salinity and seawater salinity measurement types.

Sea salinity mode: it indicates the nominal salinity value used to measure seawater salinity correction.

The standard seawater salinity concentration adopted here is 3.500%, also written as 35 psu.

Default Salinity Mode: the salinity of common sample, which can be used to approximate the salinity of the measured solution.



Figure 5-10 Salinity measurement settings

## 5.4.4.8 Conductivity Ash parameter

The meter supports the measurement of conductivity ash generally calculating the ash content using an ash conversion coefficient.

Ash Conversion Factor: Represents the conversion coefficient K of the conductivity of the solution to ash, which has a small value of 10-4.

Blank Conductivity: It allows to input manually or measure in the blank.

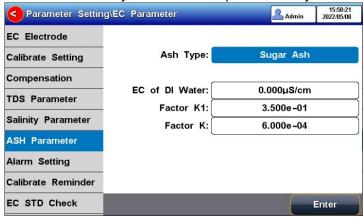


Figure 5-11 Conductivity Ash measurement parameter settings

## 5.4.4.9 Alarm setting

The meter support measurement and calibration result monitoring alarm. The parameter includes the conductivity, TDS, salinity, resistivity, sugar ash and HFCS Ash.

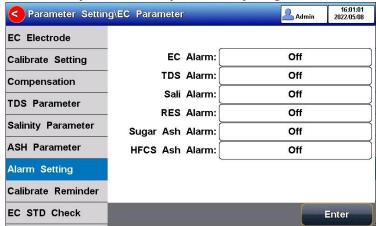


Figure 5-12 Alarm setting information

## 5.4.4.10 Calibration reminder settings

The meter provides calibration prompts function. From the setting, the user can select calibration reminder (recommended) and calibration reminder (mandatory) for future calibration.

Calibration reminder (recommended): When enable the calibration reminder, the instrument verifies whether the calibration data of conductivity electrode is within the validity period. If calibration information expires, a striking calibration reminder will appear at "Calibrate" on the main interface, but it will not affect the measurement and data saved.

Calibration reminder (mandatory): When enable the mandatory calibration, the instrument verifies whether the calibration data of conductivity electrode is within the validity period. If calibration information expires, a striking calibration reminder will appear at "Calibrate" on the main interface, the measurement data cannot be saved and output.

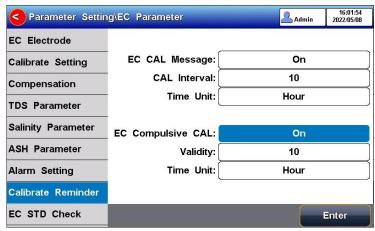


Figure 5-13 Calibration reminder setting information

## 5.4.4.11 Verification Reminder settings

The meter provides verification prompts function. The cell constant of conductivity electrodes drifts slightly over time, and this change will have a direct impact on the measurement results. So the verification of standards is important for accurate results.

Verification reminder (mandatory): When enable the verification reminder, the instrument verifies whether the verification data of EC electrode is within the validity period. If verification information expires, a striking verification reminder will appear at "Calibrate" on the main interface, the measurement data cannot be saved and output.

It allows user to input the conductivity standard value and the allowable deviation. If the deviation amount is set to 0, it means that no verification is required.

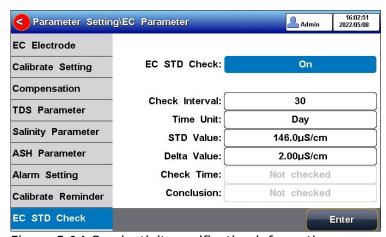


Figure 5-14 Conductivity verification information

#### 5.4.5 Temperature Parameter Settings

The temperature unit of the meter is selectable in °C and °F.

Temperature compensation mode: ATC and MTC.

ATC means automatic compensation. MTC means manual compensation. It allows user to input the temperature.

5.4.6 Data Management Settings

## 5.4.6.1 Sample ID type

The instrument supports three setting methods of Sample ID: number order, time order, and manual.

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The instrument supports three setting methods of Sample ID: number order, time order, and manual.

- Number order: The sample ID No. is increasing with series number.
- Time order: The sample ID No. is increasing with sample measuring time. Format: Year/Y, Month/M, Day/D, Hour/H, Minutes/M, Second/S
- Manual: Manually set the sample ID No. It allows samples to manually enter the sample ID when saving or printing data.

#### 5.4.6.2 Result Autosave

When this function is enabled, the meter saves the results when the reading is stable in the auto-reading and interval timed reading mode.

#### 5.4.6.3 Data Overwrite

The meter provides 500 sets of measurement results storage space. When this function is enabled, the results data that exceeds capacity will overwrite the old results data.

## 5.4.7 Output option

The data format is GLP, STD Format, and Custom. It could select one data format to output the result.

# 5.4.8 User ID management

The meter supports hierarchical user authority management and password security management. It allows user to revise the user ID, user type and password, and create a new account. A maximum of eight users can be created, and user type can be system admin, method admin, and operator. The default user is system admin and the initial password is blank. Only system admin has the permission to create all type of users.

# 5.4.9 System Parameter Settings

# 5.4.9.1 System Date & Time

Settings of system date and time.

# 5.4.9.2 Buzzer setting

Users can set the key sound by this setting.

### 5.4.9.3 Brightness setting

Users can adjust the screen brightness by this setting.

## 5.4.9.4 Auto Power off

The meter provides auto shutdown function. When the meter is not using, the meter switches off automatically.

## 5.4.9.5 Restore Default

The meter supports "Restore Default" and "Restore Parameters".

"Restoring Default" will restore all meter parameters to the factory state. "Restoring parameters" will restore the measurement parameters to the factory state.

## 5.4.9.6 Software version

Users can find the software version information on the general setting page.

#### 5.4.10 GMP Mode

The meter supports the GMP mode, in order to achieve strict control of the measurement process and data traceability. In the mode, the meter enables the login password protection, three-level user rights, data security protection, system log and run log and other security control.

Press the "Setting"- "GMP Mode" to set the mode.

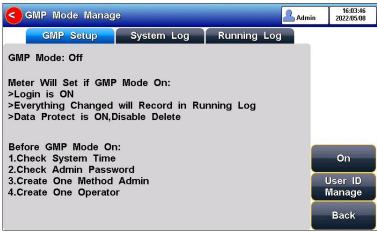
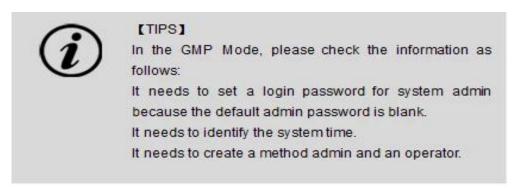


Figure 5-15 GMP mode setting



## 5.4.10.1 System Log

Access the System Log to view the log, such as GMP mode open log, GMP mode close log, system time modification log and creation log.



Figure 5-16 System log in GMP mode

## 5.4.10.2 Running Log

Access the Operation Log to view the log, such as the data log and calibration log, print the data log, and print the calibration log, log in or log out of an existing account.



#### [TIPS]

In the GMP mode, the data cannot be deleted because of the data protection.



Figure 5-17 Operation log in GMP mode

# **5.5 Conductivity Measurement**

# 5.5.1 Cell Constant Input

Conductivity electrodes are precisely calibrated at the time of manufacture and marked with the exact cell constant. Before the measurement, by "Setting"- "EC Parameter" to enter the electrode cell constant.

## 5.5.2 Calibration Preparation

In general, conductivity electrodes need few calibrations. When the user gets an unexpected result, an electrode calibration is considerable.

Usually, single standard solution is required for calibration. For accurate measurement of sample conductivity above 50mS/cm, a two-point calibration is required. Two standards are required, a low conductivity standard and a conductivity standard close to the sample.

The meter provides various Standards Group including Universal Standard Group and GB group. And allows the user to prepare the customized Standard groups.

## 5.5.3 Conductivity Calibration



Figure 5-18 Electrode cell constant calibration information

For conductivity electrodes with different cell constants, it is recommended to use the following conductivity standard solutions for calibration.

Table 5-4 KCl standards to electrode cell constants

Cell constant (cm-1).	0.1	1	10
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KCl solution Concentration (mol/L)	0.001	0.01 or 0.1	0.1 or 1
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The calibration process is as follows:

- 1. In the idle status, press "Setting" "EC Parameter".
- 2. Press the "Constant type" to select the "1".
- 3. Press "Cal. Type" to select the "Cal by Standards".
- 4. Prepare one or more standard conductivity solution (e.g.,1413µS/cm conductivity solution).
- 5. Prepare a thermostatic bath, and set the temperature to  $(25.0\pm0.1)$  °C.
- 6. Place a standard conductivity solution in a thermostatic bath, and set the temperature to  $(25.0\pm0.1)$  °C.
- 7. Place the conductivity electrode into a standard solution.
- 8. When the conductivity and temperature reading (e.g.,1413µS/cm, 25.0°C) are stable, press the "Start".
- 9. If choosing one-point calibration, press Calibration to end the calibration.
- 10. If choosing multi-points calibration (up to 5), press "Next Point" to repeat the operation.
- 11. The meter saves calibration data automatically and turn to idle status.



#### [TIPS]

If the standard is not recognized, please check the connection of the probe and the contamination of standards.



#### [TIPS]

The conductivity of the solution is greatly affected by temperature, it is recommended to use constant temperature water for calibration. Automatic or manual temperature compensation can also be optional when there is no water bath.

### 5.5.4 Conductivity Measurement

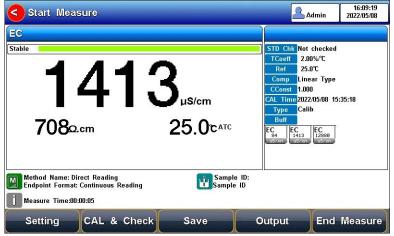


Figure 5-19 Conductivity measurement information

The measurement process is as follows:

- 1. Setting.
- 1) Set the parameters (e.g., conductivity).
- 2) Set the reading mode (e.g., continuous reading, auto-reading, or timed format).

- 3) Set the temperature compensation (e.g., Linear compensation, temperature compensation coefficient 2.00%/°C).
- 4) Set the reference temperature (e.g., 25°C).
- 2. Rinse the conductivity electrode with DI water, dry out.
- 3. Put the measurement end of the electrode into the sample solution.
- 4. In the idle status, press "Measure" to enter into measurement status.
- 5. When the reading is stable, read the results.
- 6. Press the "Save" to save the measurement results.
- 7. Press the "Output" to print the measurement result when connect to the printer.
- 8. Between measurements, stored EC electrode in distilled or deionized water.
- 9. After measurement, rinse the EC electrode with deionized water thoroughly and put on the electrode protection cap.
- 5.5.5 Conductivity Verification

In the process of storage and use, the value of the conductivity standard solution may change, which will have a direct impact on the measurement results. Therefore, the verification of the standard substance is one of the important components of laboratory method development, validation and quality control.

This meter supports the verification of conductivity electrodes. The measurement process is as follows:

- 1. Press "Calibrate"-"Calibration check" "Conductivity verification"
- 2. Set the STD value and Delta value as the user requirement.
- 3. Rinse the electrode with DI water, and dry out.
- 4. Put the measurement end of the electrode into the sample solution.
- 5. When the reading is stable, read the results.
- 6. Press the "Save" to save the verification results.
- 7. Press the "Output" to print the measurement result when connect to the printer.
- 8. Between measurements, stored EC electrode in distilled or deionized water.
- 9. After measurement, rinse the EC electrode with deionized water thoroughly and put on the electrode protection cap.



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In the verification, when the Delta value is zero, it means no judgement.

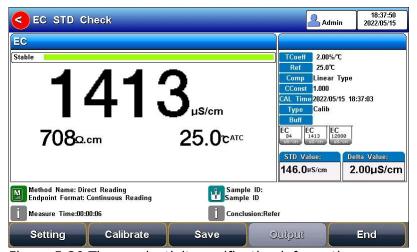


Figure 5-20 The conductivity verification information

# 5.6 TDS Measurements

#### 5.6.1 TDS conversion factor

## 5.6.1.1 Low Concentration TDS Sample

For samples with relatively simple composition and low concentration, TDS of solution can be estimated by conductivity. Compared with weighing method, TDS estimation by conductivity is relatively simple and convenient with quite good accuracy. For potassium chloride and sodium chloride solutions below 5000  $\mu$ S/cm, the TDS coefficient is approximately 0.5. Therefore, 0.5 can be used as the TDS coefficient for approximate estimation in most situations.

The conversion factor adjust process is as follows:

- 1. Press "Setting" "TDS Parameter".
- 2. Select the TDSF CAL Type as the set TDS Factor.
- 3. Input the TDS factor as the desired TDS coefficient.

Table 5-5 Conductivity to TDS Standard Solution

Conductivity	TDS standards			
μS/cm	KCl(ppm)	NaCl(ppm)	442(ppm)	
23	11.6	10.7	14.74	
84	40.38	38.04	50.5	
447	225.6	215.5	300	
1413	744.7	702.1	1000	
1500	757.1	737.1	1050	
2070	1045	1041	1500	
2764	1382	1414.8	2062.7	
8974	5101	4487	7608	
12880	7447	7230	11367	
15000	8759	8532	13455	
80000	52168	48384	79688	

- 1, 442 indicated the solution contains 40%Na2SO4, 40%NaHCO3, 20%NaCl.
- 2, The values listed in the table are values at 25°C.

For KCl and NaCl solutions below 5000  $\mu$ S/cm, the TDS coefficient is about 0.5, so 0.5 can be used as an approximation in most cases.

# 5.6.1.2 High Concentrations TDS Sample Measurement

For samples with simple components and higher concentrations, such as high concentrations of NaCl solution, TDS factor re-calibration is needed.

For TDS measurements, the user may need to correct the TDS conversion factor by TDS standard.

The conversion factor calibration process is as follows:

- 1. Setting.
- 1) Set the parameters (e.g., TDS).

- 2) Press "Setting" "TDS Parameter".
- 3) Select the TDSF CAL Type as the set Cal by STD.
- 4) Set the reference temperature (e.g., 25°C).
- 2. Prepare TDS Standard.
- 3. Place a standard conductivity solution in a thermostatic bath, and set the temperature to  $(25.0\pm0.1)$  °C.
- 4. Rinse the conductivity electrode with DI water, dry out.
- 5. Put the measurement end of the electrode into the sample solution.
- 6. Press the F2 "Calibrate"-"TDS Calibration".
- 7. Set the STD value as the sample STD value.
- 8. When the TDS and temperature reading (708ppm, 25.0°C) are stable, press the "Start".
- 9. If choosing one-point calibration, press Calibration to end the calibration.
- 10. If choosing multi-points calibration (up to 3), press "Next Point" to repeat the operation.
- 11. The meter saves calibration data automatically.

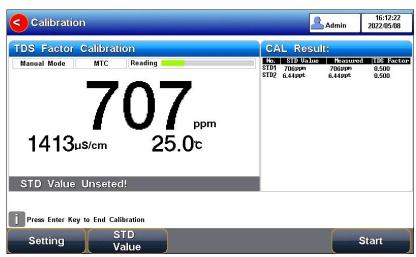


Figure 5-21 TDS coefficients calibration

# 5.6.1.3 Complex TDS Sample Measurement

For samples with complex compositions, the accuracy of TDS measurements can be improved by redetermination by laboratory methods and manual input of TDS coefficients. When the composition or concentration of the sample to be measured changes significantly, it is recommended to recalibrate the TDS coefficient.

The conversion factor calibration process is as follows:

- 1. Rinse the electrode with DI water. Put the measurement end of the electrode into the sample solution and set the temperature at  $(25.0\pm0.1)$  °C.
- 2. Using weighing method to determine the TDS.
- 3. Calculate the TDS coefficient.
- 4. Press "Setting" "TDS Parameter".
- 5. Select the TDSF CAL Type as the set TDS Factor.
- 6. Input the TDS factor as the desired TDS coefficient.
- 5.6.2 TDS Measurements

Users can switch the measurement parameter to TDS measurement by pressing Conductivity/TDS measurement box on the screen.

# 5.7 Salinity Measurement

The instrument can be used to determine the salinity of sodium chloride. The salinity of sodium chloride can be used to approximate the salinity of the solution being measured. By measuring the conductivity of the sample, the mass percentage of the corresponding sodium chloride solution can be calculated to convert the sodium chloride salinity.

Users can switch the measurement parameter to salinity measurement by pressing Conductivity/TDS measurement box on the screen. The detail refers to the measurement method of conductivity salinity measurement.

# 5.8 Resistivity Measurement

Resistivity and conductivity are reciprocal to each other, and conductivity can be measured at the same time when measuring resistivity.

Users can switch the measurement parameter to resistivity measurement by pressing Conductivity/TDS measurement box on the screen. The detail refers to the measurement method of conductivity measurement.

# 5.9 Ash Measurement

# 5.9.1 White Sugar Ash

The ash content of sugar refers to the percentage of the weight of the sample that remains after the organic matter is completely removed after burning in the sugar. Ash is an important indicator of white sugar. If the ash content exceeds the standard, the grade of white sugar will drop.

The conductivity ash measurement method is to dissolve a certain quality of white sugar in a certain volume of water to measure the conductivity value of the solution. Conductivity ash is calculated at 20°C as follows:

C=6x10-4(C1-0.35C2)

Wherein,

C: Conductivity ash (%)

C1:31.3 g/100 ml of the conductivity of the sugar solution at 20 °C,  $\mu$ S/cm.

C2:The conductivity of the distilled water at20°C for sugar dissolving, µS/cm.

When the temperature is lower than 20 °C, the following formula can be used to compensate, generally applied in 20±5 °C.

 $C20^{\circ}C = Ct/[1+0.026(t-20)]$ 

Wherein.

C20°C: Conductivity value at 20°C, µS/cm.

Ct: The actual measured conductivity value, µS/cm.

5.9.2 Fructose Glucose Syrup Ash

Fructose syrup Ash is measured similarly to the white sugar ash measurement method. Fructose syrup Ash calculation formula is as follows:

C = K\*(C1-K1\*C2)

Wherein:

C: Fructose glucose syrup ash, %(g/100g).

K: The conversion coefficient of the solution conductivity converted to ash; the default is 7.93x10-4.

K1: The correction coefficient of the solution with deionized water, default 0 39.

C1:25% conductivity of the sugar solution at 25°C,  $\mu$ S/cm.

C2: Conductivity of dilution with deionized water at 25 °C, µS/cm.

## 5.9.3 Blank Measurement

There are 2 ways to measure blank values. It allows to input the blank value manually and measure the blank value in the calibration menu.

Manually enter the blank value for DI water in Parameter Settings - Conductivity Settings-Setting Ash Measurement Parameters.

The blank measurement process is as follows:

- 1. Select the Ash parameter.
- 2. Press "Calibrate"-"Calibrate ash blank conductivity".
- 3. After the reading is stable, press "Start" to complete the measurement of the blank conductivity.
- 5.9.4 White Sugar Ash Measurement

The white sugar ash measurement process is as follows:

- 1. Calibrate the EC electrode.
- 2. Blank Measurement.
- 3. Select the "White Sugar Ash Method" in "Method Management".
- 4. Dissolve a certain amount of white sugar in a certain volume of water (according to the ratio of 31.3g/100ml of sugar liquid).
- 5. Press "Measure" to start a measurement.
- 5.9.5 Fructose Glucose Syrup Ash Measurement

The white sugar ash measurement process is as follows:

- 1. Calibrate the EC electrode.
- 2. Blank Measurement.
- 3. Select the "Fructose Slurry Ash Method" in "Method Management".
- 4. Dissolve a certain amount of white sugar in a certain volume of water (according to the ratio of 31.3g/100ml of sugar liquid).
- 5. Press "Measure" to start a measurement.

# 5.10 User ID management

The meter supports hierarchical user authority management and password security management. It allows user to revise the user ID, user type and password, and create a new account. A maximum of eight users can be created, and user type can be system admin, method admin, and operator. The default user is system admin and the initial password is blank. Only system admin has the permission to create all type of users.

# 5.11 Data Management

Press "Data" to view the detail of results.

The meter stores the measurement results independently according to the measured parameters. The meter provides data Storage 1000 sets for each parameter (EC/Resistivity/TDS/Salinity/Ash/Temp),100 sets of calibration data and 1000 sets of verification data.

5.11.1 Data Base

Press "Data" to view the detail of results.

The meter stores the measurement results independently according to the measured parameters. The meter provides data Storage 1000 sets for each parameter (pH/mV/ORP).

The user can press "Delete" into the delete menu. It allows users to select the parameter data or all data to delete.

The user can view the data filter by storage number, time, operator, method name, sample ID and electrode ID. By the filter setting, press "Start" to look up the data. The filter data shows in a graph. Press "<<" and">>" to choose data. User can choose one and press "Detail" to see the detail result. User can choose one and press "Output" to output the current result, output matched result and output all result. Users can press "Operate" to the setting menu. In the operation menu, it allows to select the output type. 5.11.2 Statistic

The meter supports the statistical analysis function. By pressing "Statistic", the meter calculates basic statistical results, including maximum, minimum, average, standard deviation, relative standard deviation, and related statistical information of the results.

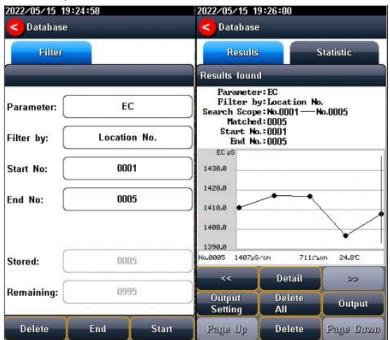


Figure 5-22 Results setting view



5-223 Output settings

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MATCH	FD INFO	
Stored Num:	28	
Matched Num:	1	
Stored No.:	15	
CALIB	INFO	
Calib Operator:	REX Team	
Calib Time: 20	20/05/13 08:30:00	
Calib Num:	3	
CALIB R		
STD 1: 84uS/cm 8		
STD 2: 1413uS/cm		
STD 3: 12.88mS/cm		
Cell constant 1:	1.000	
Cell constant 2:	1.000	
Cell constant 3:	1.000	
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Stable Type:	Medium	
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SAMPL		
Sample ID:	Sample 1	
RESU		
Result:	456ppm	
Signal Value:	912uS/cm	
Temp Value:	25.0c	
value.	23.00	
Signa	ture:	

# 6. Maintenance/Troubleshooting

# **6.1 Meter Maintenance**

The correct use and maintenance of the instrument can ensure the accurate and reliable performance of the instrument. Additionally, exposure to chemicals or harsh use environments can affect performance.

- If the meter is not used for a long time, please disconnect the power supply.
- The electrode socket of the instrument must be kept clean and dry, and should not be in contact with acid, alkali, and salt solutions.
- Keep the meter and accessories clean and away from acids, alkalis, and any corrosive solutions/gases.
- Users can clean the meter surface with clean waters and detergent.
- When the meter is transported, please follow the instructions:
- please remove all connected cables.
- Please remove the electrode holder.
- Please use original packaging in the long-distance transport to avoid damage.

# 6.2 Electrodes Maintenance

For more detailed information, please refer to the electrode instruction manual.

# **6.3 Battery Maintenance**

The instrument uses a built-in lithium battery. The battery takes 6 hours to fully charge. Follow the below instruction to maintain battery:

- When the meter is turned on and not charged, the power light flashes four times when the power flashes once when the power is 25% and is 100%.
- When the meter switches off, the power light keeps the lighting for a full charge.

Precautions for the use of lithium batteries:

- Keep the meter away from the high-temperature environment.
- · Keep away from water.
- Keep away from flammable and explosive substances.
- Please charge for 15 minutes if not in use for a long time.
- Please stop charging in time after fully charged.
- Continuous charging may result in decreased battery life.
- Please charge and discharge it every 3 months to extend the life of the lithium battery.

# 6.4 Troubleshooting

Table 6-1 Troubleshooting

Phenomenon	Probable reasons	Solutions
1. No Display	Damage to the meter.	Replace or repair as required.
2. Incorrect conductivity measurement	<ol> <li>The electrode is out of service life</li> <li>The electrodes are not calibrated or are calibrated incorrectly</li> </ol>	Replace the electrodes     Recalibrate the electrode or replace the standard solution

If the meter still does not work, please contact your local dealer for further assistance.

# 7 Technical Supports

# **Accessories**

Please refer to the accessories table for purchasing recommendations.

Table 7-1 Meter accessories

Name	Description
DJS-1VTC conductivity electrode	Conductivity, TDS Measurement Probe

Conductivity solution 1413 μS/cm	Standard solution

# 8 Appendixes

# **Appendix 1**

**Conductivity Standard Solution** 

Table 1 KCl standards to electrode cell constants

Cell constant (cm-1).	0.1	1	10
KCl solution Concentration (mol/L).	0.00	0.01 or	0.1 or
	1	0.1	1

Table 2 Approximate concentrations of KCl solutions and their conductivity values (µS/cm) relationship

T(°C)	84µS/cm	1413μS/cm	12.88mS/cm
5	53.02	896	8.22
10	60.34	1020	9.33
15	67.61	1147	10.48
20	75.80	1278	11.67
25	84.00	1413	12.88
30	92,19	1552	14.12
35	100.92	1696	15.39

