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User's Manual

HVAC Meter

PCE-TC 29



***Please read this user's manual thoroughly before using this unit
and keep it properly for your future reference.***

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1.Safety

- 1) Read all safety information before you use the Product. Carefully read all instructions. Use the Product only as specified, or the protection supplied by the Product can be compromised.
- 2) Do not use the Product around explosive gas, vapor, or in damp or wet environments.

Environment conditions:

- 1)RH \leq 90% (Non-Condensation)
- 2) Operating temperature:-5 ~ 40°C/23 ~ 104°F

Maintenance

Repairs or servicing not covered in this manual should only be performed by qualified personnel.

Wipe the unit with a dry soft cloth. Do not use abrasives or solvents on this instrument.

◆Safety Symbol

 Complies with EMC

2.Introduction

The Product is Visual IR Thermometers that combine a center-point temperature measurement with a blended digital image and heat map overlay.

The thermal image removes the time necessary for component by-component measurement associated with a traditional spot thermometer (radiometer). Scan a broad area with the blended digital image and heat map overlay to quickly identify temperature anomalies that need more inspection.

In order to increase identification, it is equipped with a visual camera. According to the requirements, it can make image blend from heat map to visual images. Heat map and visual images can be stored in memory card, which can be made reports or printed. The Product is easy to use. Turn on and within seconds it provides an image with no training needed. The Product is ideal for electrical, HVAC, and facility maintenance applications, which can find the problem quickly.

3.Features

- TFT color LCD display
- Adjustable emissivity and reflected background compensation improves measurement accuracy on semi-reflective surface
- Hot and cold spot temperature markers that guide the user to the hottest and coldest regions in the infrared heat map
- Select color palette
- Visual and heat map image alignment
- Image capture and save it in SD card

4.Specification

display	2.5"color LCD display
IR solution	60×60 (3600 pixels)
Visible light image resolution	300,000 pixels
Field of view	20×20°
Thermal sensitivity	0.15°C/0.27°F
Temperature range	-20 ~ 300°C/-4 ~ 572°F
accuracy	±2% or reading±2°C/3.6°F
emissivity	Adjustable 0.1 ~ 1.0
Image frequency	6HZ
Spectral band	8-14um
Focus mode	fixed
Color palette	Ironbow, Rainbow, Rainbow High Contrast, Grayscale (white hot) and Grayscale (black hot)
View options	Blending of the visual and the infrared from full infrared to full visual in 25 % steps
File format	bmp
Image storage	Micro SD card

Memory view	Scroll through all saved images and view on-screen
Power save	Power off after 12 minutes of inactivity
Working temperature	-5 ~ 40°C/23 ~ 104°F
Storage temperature	-20 ~ 55°C/-4 ~ 131°F
Relative humidity	10 ~ 80%RH
Electromagnetic Compatibility	CE EN61326-1:2006
Overrange indication	over
Power supply	4 AA batteries
Battery life	6H
weight	310g
size	223×88×65

5. Structure description

- ① Infrared lens
- ② Visual camera
- ③ LED brightness
- ④ Image capture
- ⑤ battery cover
- ⑥ Tripod mount
- ⑦ Basic navigation
- ⑧ Select /enter key
- ⑨ On/off/menu key
- ⑩ TFT high definition color screen
- ⑪ SD card



6. Menu description

 12:12	Time setting
 5000	Image store
 50%	Background light setting
 °C	Temperature unit setting
BG 5°C	Background temperature trimming
 0 MB	Capacity of memory card
	Color palette setting
 0.95	Emissivity setting
 ON	Hot and cold markers
 25°C	Background temperature setting

7.Operation instruction

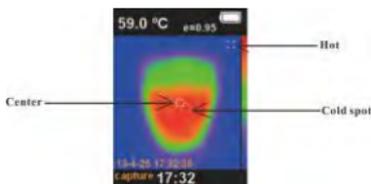
7.1 Basic function

7.1.1 press “” for 5 seconds , it can turn on or turn off the meter. After power on the meter ,press “” for 1 second ,it enter basic function setting ,Only five options show on the display at one time , press “” scroll through the display menu..press “” again , it goes back to the normal measurement mode.

7.1.2 In basic function mode; after choosing menu key, press “” , it can enter this function setting, use  ,change the value of the menu selection. After adjustments are made , press “” to exit setting mode.

7.2 Measurement

The temperature measurement of the center area is shown at the top of the display. The emissivity setting also shows at the top of the display. When the hot and cold markers are turned on, move the Product until the hot or cold spot coincides with the middle measurement area. Point the Product at an object that is likely to be hotter or colder than its surroundings for best results.



7.3 Backlight setting

After entering menu options , press "" to choose backlight option, press "" to enter

backlight adjustment mode, press "" to adjust the brightness, after the adjustments are made, press "" to exit the edit mode. Brightness is default 50%.

7.4 LED brightness

Press image capture key for 5 seconds, LED brightness turn on , coordinating with visible camera work.

7.5 Color Palette

The Palette menu changes the false-color presentation of the infrared images that are on the display or captured. A variety of palettes are available. Some palettes are more suitable for specific applications and are set as required.

1:Grayscale Palettes offer an equal, linear presentation of colors that allow for best presentation of detail.

2:The High Contrast palette offers a weighted presentation of colors. This palette is best in situations with high thermal contrast for increased color contrast between the high temperatures and low temperatures.

3:The Ironbow and Rainbow palettes offer a mixture of the High Contrast and

Grayscale palettes.

 Grayscale(white hot)	 Grayscale(black hot)
 Rainbow	 high contrast
 Ironbow	

7.6 Reflected Background Temperature

The background temperature can be set between 0°C ~36 °C(32 ~ 96.8°F).

Compensation for reflected background temperature is set in the Background tab. Very hot objects or very cold objects can affect the apparent temperature and measurement accuracy of the target or object, especially when surface emissivity is low. Adjustment of the reflected background temperature can make the temperature measurement better in many situations.

7.7 Hot and cold markers

press  to enter menu mode , press  to choose hot and cold markers menu, press

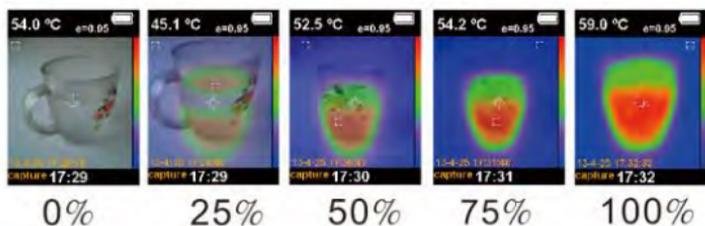
 ,then press  to turn on or turn off. When turned on, the marker is an indication of a hot or cold spot in the scene that may require additional evaluation. When turned off, the user is able to concentrate on the single measurement pixels.

7.8 Image Blending

Image blending makes it easier to understand infrared heat maps through the use of an aligned visible image and infrared heat map. The Product captures a visible image with each infrared heat map to exactly show the target area and more effectively share it with others.

To use the blending function press “” “” to adjust the blending from 0 % to

100%,25% steps



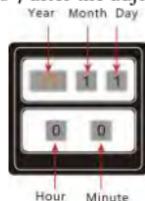
7.9 Date and Time

In the Clock menu the user can set the time and the date. press “” to enter

menu mode , press “” to choose clock menu , press “” to enter clock interface,

press “” “” to set data and time , press “” to change values , after the adjustable

are made, press “” to exit



7.10 Image Capture and Save

In measuring mode , press image capture key, the screen will show “store photos yes no”.

Press “” to save image , press “” to cancel the image you capture. If “NO SD” appear in left bottom of the screen , it indicates no SD card is in the slot, if FULL appear in left bottom of the screen, it indicates SD card is full. Standard 2 GB SD card

7.11 View Stored Images

Press “” to enter menu mode , press “” to choose image storage module ,

press “” to choose the image you want to look , press “” “” to scroll through and review the other stored images.

press “” ,it shows “Delet photo yes no” , press “” to delete , press “” to

cancel. press “” to exit viewing mode.

7.12 Emissivity

Press “” to enter menu mode , press “” to choose emissivity module ,

press “” to enter emissivity adjust interface , press “” to adjust emissivity values.

After the adjustment are made, press “” to exit.

8. Notes

All objects radiate infrared energy. The quantity of energy radiated is based on the actual surface temperature and the surface emissivity of the object. The Product senses the infrared energy from the surface of the object and uses this data to calculate an estimated temperature value. Many common objects and materials such as painted metal, wood, water, skin, and cloth are very good at radiating energy and it is easy to get relatively accurate measurements. For surfaces that are good at radiating energy (high emissivity), the emissivity factor is $\geq 90\%$ (0.90). This simplification does not work on shiny surfaces or unpainted metals as they have an emissivity of $< 60\%$ (0.60). These materials are not good at radiating energy and are classified as low emissivity. To more accurately measure materials with a low emissivity, an emissivity correction is necessary. Adjustment to the emissivity value will usually allow the Product to calculate a more accurate estimate of the actual temperature.

9.Emissivity

Substance	Thermal emissivity	Substance	Thermal emissivity
Aluminium	0.30	Glass	0.90 ... 0.95
Asphalt	0.90 ~ 0.98	Iron oxides	0.78 ... 0.82
Concrete	0.95	Lacquer	0.80 ... 0.95
Leather	0.95	Plastic	0.85 ... 0.95
Ceramic	0.90 ~ 0.95	paper	0.70 ... 0.94
Copper	0.50	Sand	0.90
Brick	0.90	Rubber	0.95
carbon	0.85	Timber	0.94
Fatlute	0.94	Textiles	0.94
Frozen food	0.90	Lead	0.50
Hot food	0.93	Marble	0.94
ice	0.96 ~ 0.98	Cloth(black)	0.98
snow	0.83	Plaster	0.8 0 ... 0.90
Human skin	0.98	Water	0.92 ~ 0.96

10. Accessories

- ① User's manual
- ② canvas bag
- ③ SD card
- ④ SD card reader

11. Warranty

You can read our warranty terms in our General Business Terms which you can find here: <https://www.pce-instruments.com/english/terms>.

12. Contact

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13. Disposal

For the disposal of batteries in the EU, the 2006/66/EC directive of the European Parliament applies. Due to the contained pollutants, batteries must not be disposed of as household waste. They must be given to collection points designed for that purpose.

In order to comply with the EU directive 2012/19/EU we take our devices back. We either re-use them or give them to a recycling company which disposes of the devices in line with law.

For countries outside the EU, batteries and devices should be disposed of in accordance with your local waste regulations.

If you have any questions, please contact PCE Instruments.

