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Instruction Manual

for AV8 Inspector Models

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AV8 INSPECTOR

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Technical Specifications

CO Range: 0 - 500ppm, display 0 to 1,999ppm

Resolution: 1ppm

CO Accuracy: +/-10%, 0 to 500ppm

Initial Response Time: < 5 seconds

T90 Response Time: < 20 seconds

Display: real-time continuous readings

Size: 3.2" x 2.2" x 0.86"

Weight: 4 ounces

Warranty: 2 years

Battery Life: 2 years (depending on alarm condition)

CO Alarm Set Points: 35ppm low, 200ppm high

Alarms: Vibrating (AV8 Inspector Pro), Audio and visual

Temperature Range: -4 to 122°F (-20 to 50°C)

Humidity Range: 20 - 90% (0 to 99% intermittent)

Introduction

Thank you for choosing the Sensorcon AV8 Inspector! We want to be your go to resource for all of your professional gas detection needs! Please contact us if you have any questions or concerns and we'll do our best to make sure you're 100% satisfied.

This manual covers the features, specifications and operating instructions for the AV8 Inspector and AV8 Inspector Pro carbon monoxide (CO) monitors.

Contact Information

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Hours of Operation

Monday through Friday: 8am to 4pm
Note: East Coast Time Zone

Warranty

Each AV8 Inspector comes standard with a two year warranty on all of its parts. It is recommended that you calibrate the AV8 Inspector every six months to ensure the best accuracy possible. An EOL (End of Life) symbol will display on the LCD after two years of use. A successful calibration will remove the EOL notification for an additional 180 days. Future successful calibrations can continue to be done as long as the electrochemical sensing element remains in good condition.

Maximum Operating Conditions

Temperature: -20°C to +50°C (-4°F to +122°F)
Humidity: 20-90% R.H. (0-99% intermittent)

Practical Considerations

Short-term measurements (i.e. <1hr) in any humidity (0-99% R.H.) are fine as long as condensation does not block the sensor inlet. Longer term exposure to extreme humidity or temperature outside the specified range can result in damage to the sensor. Please note that the LCD display and sensor will not function properly at colder temperatures outside of the specified operating range.

NOTE: Exposure to higher temperatures and humidity can damage the device.

AV8 Inspector Features Comparison

Models:	AV8 Inspector AV8-CO-01	AV8 Inspector Pro AV8-CO-03
Two Year Warranty	✔	✔
Water Resistant	✔	✔
Shockproof	✔	✔
Pre-set Alarms	✔	✔
Visual Alarm	✔	✔
Audio Alarm	✔	✔
CE Certified	✔	✔
Vibrating Alarm		✔
Adjustable Alarms		✔
24 Hour TWA		✔

Mounting Bracket

AV8 Inspectors come with a mounting bracket that allow it to be mounted to the Instrument panel or other location in the aircraft. Four screws or bolts are required to mount the AV8 bracket. Since mounting locations and scenarios will vary greatly, **mounting hardware is not included.**

Lanyard Loop & Clip

A clip is on the back of the device. Use this to attach to your shirt or other location.

Sensor Inlet

Where gas is measured. Keep it clean and do not puncture the membrane.

LED Indicator Lights

These red lights will flash when the gas concentration is high enough for an alarm. There are four lights around the LCD.

LCD Display

Shows CO gas concentration from 0 - 1,999 parts per million

Power / MUTE Button

Press & hold to turn the power ON or OFF. Press to mute the buzzer for up to 5 Minutes.

Buzzer / Speaker

Makes a beeping sound when an alarm is active. Do not puncture the membrane.

MAX Button

Press to make the LCD display the maximum concentration measured while the function is enabled.

Note: New readings will only be displayed after a new high is encountered.

Battery Indicator

Displays when the battery is low and needs a replacement.

HOLD

Displays a countdown for powering off or entering the calibration mode.

HI

Displays when the HIGH alarm is exceeded (200ppm CO).

LO

Displays when the LOW alarm is exceeded (35ppm CO).

Time Weighted Average Pro

Displays the maximum 8 hour average in the last 24 hours (AV8 Inspector Pro model only).

Check Box

Indicates a successful zero calibration.

Gas Icon

Displays when applying gas in calibration mode.

Zero

Displays as 1st step during calibration to establish 0 ppm status.

PPM

Displays on the screen when measuring gas.

Cal

Indicates the device is in calibration mode.

Arrow 1

Displays over MUTE to indicate when alarm is muted.

ALARM

Displays when the lower alarm level has been exceeded (35ppm CO).

Arrow 2

Displays over MAX to indicate the device is in MAX hold mode.

DAYS

Indicates the number of days until calibration is due.

NOTE: Time Weighted Average (TWA) is a feature that is only available on the AV8 Inspector Pro Model.

Operating Instructions

1. Turning on the AV8 Inspector

Hold **POWER/MUTE** for 1 to 2 seconds to turn on. A 10 second count down timer allows the sensor to warm up before displaying real-time readings.

2. Muting audible alarms

If an alarm occurs and you want to mute the sound, briefly press the **POWER/MUTE** button.

3. Shutting off the AV8 Inspector

Simply hold **POWER/MUTE** for 3 seconds to turn the device off. A count down from 3 will be displayed while you are shutting off the AV8 Inspector.

4. Turning on MAX mode

To enable **MAX mode**, briefly press the **MAX** button. **MAX** mode will only show the highest, peak reading encountered by the AV8 Inspector while the **MAX** mode is active. The display will only show another value once a new, higher reading is encountered.

Advanced Operating Instructions

1. Entering the advanced features menus

Press the **POWER/MUTE** and **MAX** buttons at the same time for 5 seconds to access the advanced features series of menus. Only **CAL** mode is available for the AV8 Inspector, while the AV8 Inspector Pro will have four advanced features (**TWA, CAL** mode, Lo Alarm **SEt** mode and Hi Alarm **SEt** mode). To exit, press **POWER/MUTE** as many times as required to exit.

2. Viewing TWA readings (AV8 Inspector Pro Only) Pro

Press the **POWER/MUTE** and **MAX** buttons at the same time for 5 seconds to access the **TWA** screen which displays the maximum 8 hour exposure during the last 24 hours. To exit, press **POWER/MUTE** as many times as needed to exit.

3. Adjusting the Lo Alarm (AV8 Inspector Pro Only) Pro

Press the **POWER/MUTE** and **MAX** buttons at the same time for 5 seconds to access the advanced features series of menus. Press **POWER/MUTE** twice to get to the Lo Alarm **SEt** screen.

Push or push and hold the **MAX** button to adjust the Lo Alarm to a setting from 5 to 100ppm CO. Press **POWER/MUTE** as many times as needed to exit.

4.) Adjusting the Hi Alarm (AV8 Inspector Pro Only) Pro

Press the **POWER/MUTE** and **MAX** buttons at the same time for 5 seconds to access the advanced features series of menus. Press **POWER/MUTE** thrice to get to the Hi Alarm **SEt** screen. Push or push and hold the **MAX** button to adjust the Hi Alarm to a setting from 40 to 500ppm CO. Press **POWER/MUTE** as many times as needed to exit.

Calibration Instructions for the AV8 Inspector

Calibration is done at the factory or by the customer using a gas regulator, some Tygon tubing and 50ppm CO calibration gas. Go to https://sensorcon.com or for more information.

Follow these steps below to calibrate the AV8 Inspector:

1. Entering CAL mode

Press the **POWER/MUTE** and **MAX** buttons at the same time for 5 seconds to access the **CAL** screen.

2. Performing the ZERO cal

In a clean air environment, press the **MAX** button to begin **ZERO** calibration. A 30 second countdown timer will be displayed while zero calibration is being done. Once complete, the sensor will beep, quickly flash **CAL dn** and then quickly flash the **BASELINE** value just before continuously displaying the word **GAS**. If you want to continue on with the GAS calibration, skip to step 3. If you only want to perform **ZERO** cal and not the gas calibration, press **POWER/MUTE** to exit. **no CAL** will flash on the screen before returning to normal operation.

Note: ZERO cal in a non-clean environment will cause errors in the readings!

3. Performing GAS cal

When **ZERO** cal is complete, use 1/4" OD, 1/8" ID Tygon tubing to attach the cal gas cylinder and regulator to the sensor inlet. Turn on the gas flow (rate of 0.3 to 0.5L/min). Press the **MAX** button to start the **GAS** cal process. A timer will countdown from 60 seconds. Once the countdown has finished, the sensor will beep, quickly flash **CAL dn** and then display the **SENSITIVITY** for 2 seconds before returning to normal operation. If there is an issue with the sensor calibration, the sensor will display **err** before returning to normal operation. If the sensor displayed **err** during calibration, please contact Sensorcon for further support.

Note: Do not service this device in a hazardous environment.

Calibration Instructions for the AV8 Inspector Pro Pro

1. Entering CAL mode

Press the **POWER/MUTE** and MAX buttons at the same time for 5 seconds to access the advanced features series of menus. Press **POWER/MUTE** once to get to the **CAL** screen.

2. Performing the ZERO cal

In a clean air environment, press the **MAX** button to begin **ZERO** calibration. A 30 second countdown timer will be displayed while zero calibration is being done. Once complete, the sensor will beep, quickly flash **CAL dn** and then will show the **BASELINE** value. Pressing the **MAX** button will advance to the next screen displaying the word **GAS**. If you want to continue on with the **GAS** calibration, skip to step 3. If you only want to perform **ZERO** cal and not the gas calibration, press **POWER/MUTE** to exit. **no CAL** will flash on the screen before returning to the next advanced features series of menus. To return to normal operation, press **POWER/MUTE** two more times to exit.

Note: ZERO cal in a non-clean environment will cause errors in the readings!

3. Performing GAS cal

When **ZERO** cal is complete, use 1/4" OD, 1/8" ID Tygon tubing to attach the cal gas cylinder and regulator to the sensor inlet. Turn on the gas flow (rate of 0.3 to 0.5L/min). Press the **MAX** button to start the **GAS** cal process. A timer will countdown from 60 seconds. Once the countdown has finished, the sensor will beep, quickly flash **CAL dn** and then display the **SENSITIVITY** for 2 seconds before returning to normal operation. If there is an issue with the sensor calibration, the sensor will display **err** before returning to normal operation. If the sensor displayed **err** during calibration, please contact Sensorcon for further support.

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CO Exposure Chart

CO Level	Effect
1,600 PPM	Dizziness in 20 minutes. Death in 1 hour.
1,000 PPM	Loss of consciousness after 1 hour.
800 PPM	Dizziness and headache after 45 minutes.
400 PPM	Life threatening in and around 3 hours.
200 PPM	Dizziness, nausea, fatigue ***HIGH ALARM POINT STARTS***
100 PPM	Sight headache after 1-2 hours.
50 PPM	Maximum possible exposure in workspace.
35 PPM	NIOSH 10 hour TWA ***LOW ALARM SET POINT STARTS***
25 PPM	Max TWA Exposure for an 8 hour work-day (ACGIH).
10 PPM	Possible heath effects with long-term exposure.
0 PPM	Normal fresh air with no CO.

EPA & NIOSH Concentration Guidelines:

Carbon Monoxide

0-5ppm Average inside homes
35ppm NIOSH 10hr exposure limit
200ppm NIOSH 15min. exposure limit

Certifications

All Models:
CE CERTIFIED

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