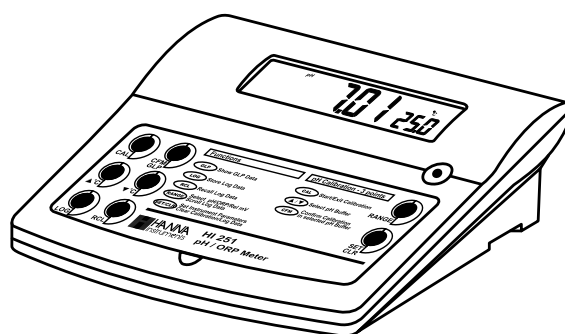


# HI 250 HI 251

## Microprocessor-Based pH/mV/°C Bench Meters



Dear Customer,  
 Thank you for choosing a Hanna Instruments product.  
 Please read this instruction manual carefully before using the instruments.  
 This manual will provide you with the necessary information for correct use of the instruments, as well as a precise idea of their versatility.  
 If you need additional technical information, do not hesitate to e-mail us at [tech@hannainst.com](mailto:tech@hannainst.com) or turn to the back cover for our worldwide contact list.  
 These instruments are in compliance with **CE** directives.

## WARRANTY

**HI 250** and **HI 251** are guaranteed for two years against defects in workmanship and materials when used for their intended purpose and maintained according to instructions. Electrodes and probes are guaranteed for six months. This warranty is limited to repair or replacement free of charge.

Damage due to accidents, misuse, tampering or lack of prescribed maintenance is not covered.

If service is required, contact the dealer from whom you purchased the instruments. If under warranty, report the model number, date of purchase, serial number and the nature of the problem. If the repair is not covered by the warranty, you will be notified of the charges incurred. If the instruments are to be returned to Hanna Instruments, first obtain a Returned Goods Authorization number from the Technical Service department and then send it with shipping costs prepaid. When shipping any instrument, make sure it is properly packed for complete protection.

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## PRELIMINARY EXAMINATION

Remove the instrument from the packing material and examine it carefully to make sure that no damage has occurred during shipping. If there is any damage, notify your Dealer or the nearest Hanna Customer Service Center.

Each instrument is supplied with:

- **HI 1131B** Glass-body Combination pH Electrode with 1 m (3.3') Cable
- **HI 7669/2W** Temperature Probe
- **HI 76404** Electrode Holder
- **pH 4.01 & 7.01** Buffer Solutions (20mL each)
- **HI 7071S** Electrolyte Solution
- 12VDC Power Adapter
- Instruction Manual

**Note:** Save all packing material until you are sure that the instrument functions correctly. All defective items must be returned in the original packing with the supplied accessories.

## GENERAL DESCRIPTION

The HANNA **HI 250** and **HI 251** are logging microprocessor-based pH and temperature bench meters.

**HI 251** can also measure Oxidation-Reduction Potential (**ORP**) in mV range. **Relative mV** feature is also provided.

pH measurements are compensated for temperature effect manually or automatically with the **HI 7669/2W** temperature probe.

One, two or three-point calibration is possible, using five memorized buffers (4.01, 6.86, 7.01, 9.18 and 10.01 pH).

The **GLP** feature provides a guarantee of data consistency.

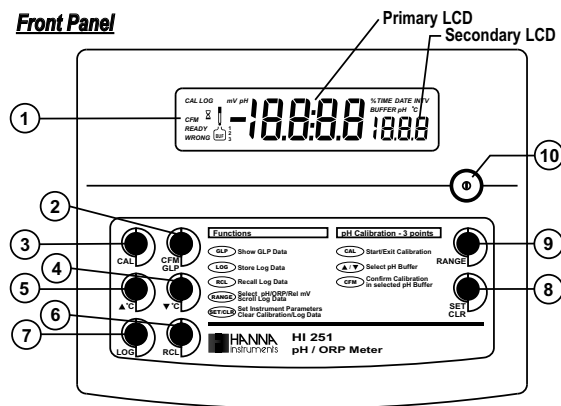
An alarm time-out is available to alert the user that too much time elapsed since the last pH calibration.

The instruments can store data in memory at the user's request for later retrieval.

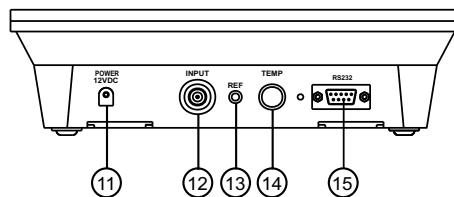
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## FUNCTIONAL DESCRIPTION

### Front Panel



### Rear Panel



- 1) Liquid Crystal Display (LCD).
- 2) **CFM/GLP** key, to confirm different values or to display Good Laboratory Practice information.
- 3) **CAL** key, to enter and exit/escape calibration mode.
- 4) **▼/°C** key, to manually decrease temperature value or other parameters.
- 5) **▲/°C** key, to manually increase temperature value or other parameters.
- 6) **RCL** key, to enter/exit recall mode.
- 7) **LOG** key, to store measured data.
- 8) **SET/CLR** key, to enter/exit setup mode, clear pH calibration or delete logged data.
- 9) **RANGE** key, to select measurement range (**HI 251** only) or to switch focused data.
- 10) **ON/OFF** switch.
- 11) Power supply socket.
- 12) BNC electrode connector.
- 13) Electrode reference socket.
- 14) Temperature probe socket.
- 15) RS232 serial communication connector.

## HI 250 SPECIFICATIONS

RANGE	–2.0 to 16.0 pH –2.00 to 16.00 pH
	–9.9 to 120.0 °C
RESOLUTION	0.1 pH 0.01 pH
	0.1 °C
ACCURACY @ 20 °C/68 °F	±0.1 pH ±0.01 pH
	±0.4 °C (excluding probe error)
Computer interface	opto-isolated RS232
pH Calibration	1, 2 or 3 point calibration, 5 buffers available (4.01, 6.86, 7.01, 9.18, 10.01)
Temperature compensation	Manual or Automatic from: –9.9 to 120.0 °C
pH Electrode	HI 1131B
Temperature probe	HI 7669/2W
Input impedance	10 <sup>12</sup> ohm
Power supply	12 VDC adapter
Dimensions	240x182x74 mm (9.4x7.1x2.9")
Weight	1.1 Kg (2.5 lb); kit with holder 2.5 Kg (5.5 lb)
Environment	0 – 50 °C (32 – 122 °F) max RH 95% non condensing
Warranty	2 years

## HI 251 SPECIFICATIONS

RANGE	–2.0 to 16.0 pH –2.00 to 16.00 pH
	± 699.9 mV ± 2000 mV
	–9.9 to 120.0 °C
RESOLUTION	0.1 pH 0.01 pH
	0.1 mV (± 699.9 mV) 1 mV (± 2000 mV)
	0.1 °C
ACCURACY @ 20 °C/68 °F	± 0.1 pH ± 0.01 pH
	± 0.2 mV (± 699.9 mV) ± 1 mV (± 2000 mV)
	± 0.4 °C (excluding probe error)
Rel mV offset range	± 2000 mV
Computer interface	opto-isolated RS232
pH Calibration	1, 2 or 3 point calibration, 5 buffers available (4.01, 6.86, 7.01, 9.18, 10.01)
Temperature compensation	Manual or Automatic from: –9.9 to 120.0 °C
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## OPERATIONAL GUIDE

### POWER CONNECTION

Plug the 12 VDC adapter into the power supply socket.

**Note:** These instruments use non volatile memory to retain the pH, mV, temperature calibrations and all other settings, even when unplugged.

**Note:** Make sure a fuse protects the main line.

### ELECTRODE AND PROBE CONNECTIONS

For pH or ORP measurements connect an electrode with internal reference to the BNC connector on the back of the instrument.

For electrodes with a separate reference connect the electrode's BNC to the BNC connector and the reference electrode plug to the reference socket.

For temperature measurements and automatic temperature compensation connect the temperature probe to the appropriate socket.

### INSTRUMENT START-UP

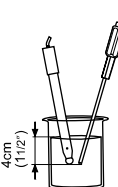
- Turn the instrument on by pressing the **ON/OFF** switch.
- All LCD tags are displayed and a beep is sounded while the instrument performs a self test.



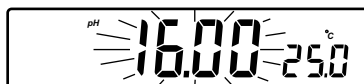
### pH MEASUREMENTS

Make sure the instruments have been calibrated before taking pH measurements.

- Submerge the electrode tip and the temperature probe approximately 4 cm (1½") into the sample to be tested and stir gently. Allow time for the electrode to stabilize.
- The pH is displayed on the primary LCD and the temperature on the secondary LCD.



- If the reading is out of range, the closest full-scale value will be displayed blinking on the primary LCD.



If measurements are taken successively in different samples, it is recommended to rinse the electrode thoroughly with deionized water or tap water and then with some of the next sample to prevent cross-contamination.

The pH reading is affected by temperature. In order to measure the pH accurately, the temperature effect must be compensated for. To use the Automatic Temperature Compensation feature, connect and submerge the **HI 7669/2W** temperature probe into the sample as close as possible to the electrode and wait for a few seconds.

If the temperature of the sample is known, simple manual compensation can be performed by disconnecting the temperature probe.

The display will then show the default temperature of 25 °C or the last temperature reading with the "°C" tag blinking.

The temperature can now be adjusted with the **ARROW** keys (from -9.9 °C to 120.0 °C).



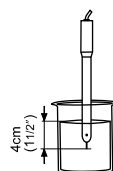
### mV/ORP MEASUREMENTS (HI 251 only)

An optional ORP electrode must be used to perform ORP measurements (see Accessories).

Oxidation-Reduction Potential (REDOX) measurements provide the quantification of the oxidizing or reducing power of the tested sample.

To correctly perform a REDOX measurement, the surface of the ORP electrode must be clean and smooth.

- Press **RANGE** to enter mV range.
- Submerge the tip of the ORP electrode 4 cm (1½") into the sample to be tested and allow a few seconds for the reading to stabilize.
- The instrument displays the mV reading on the primary LCD and the temperature on the secondary LCD.



- If the reading is out of range, the closest full-scale value will be displayed blinking on the primary LCD.





### RELATIVE mV MEASUREMENTS (HI 251 only)

- Press **RANGE** until “rEL” message will be displayed on the secondary LCD line for about one second and “mV” tag will blink. After one second the temperature will be displayed on the secondary LCD.



The reading displayed by the instrument is equal to the difference between the current mV input value and relative mV offset established in the relative mV calibration.

### TEMPERATURE MEASUREMENTS

Connect the **HI 7669/2W** temperature probe to the appropriate socket and turn the instrument on.

Immerse the temperature probe into the sample and allow the reading on the secondary LCD to stabilize.



## pH CALIBRATION

Calibrate the instrument frequently, especially if high accuracy is required.

The instrument should be recalibrated :

- Whenever the pH electrode is replaced.
- At least once a week.
- After testing aggressive chemicals.
- If "CAL" "INTV" tags are blinking during measurement.

Every time you calibrate the instrument use fresh buffers and perform an electrode Cleaning Procedure (see page 30).

### PREPARATION

Pour small quantities of the buffer solutions into clean beakers. If possible, use plastic or glass beakers to minimize any EMC interferences.

For accurate calibration and to minimize cross-contamination, use two beakers for each buffer solution. One for rinsing the electrode and one for calibration.

If you are measuring in the acidic range, use pH 7.01 or 6.86 as first buffer and pH 4.01 as second buffer. If you are measuring in the alkaline range, use pH 7.01 or 6.86 as first buffer and pH 10.01 or 9.18 as second buffer.

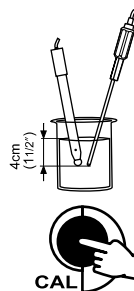
### PROCEDURE

Calibration has a choice of 5 memorized buffers: pH 4.01, 6.86, 7.01, 9.18 and 10.01.

It is recommended to perform a two or three-point calibration. However, the instruments also allow one-point calibration, as described on page 12.

### THREE-POINT CALIBRATION

- Immerse the pH electrode and the temperature probe approximately 4 cm (1 1/2") into a buffer solution of your choice (pH 4.01, 6.86, 7.01, 9.18 or 10.01) and stir gently. The temperature probe should be close to the pH electrode.
- Press **CAL**. The "CAL" and "☞" tags will appear and the "7.01" buffer will be displayed on the secondary LCD.



- If necessary, press the **ARROW** keys to select a different buffer value.

- The “8” tag will blink on the LCD until the reading is stable.
- When the reading is stable and close to the selected buffer, “READY” tag will be displayed and “CFM” tag will blink.
- Press **CFM** to confirm calibration.
- The calibrated value will be displayed on the primary LCD and the second expected buffer value on the secondary LCD.



**Note:** The instruments will automatically skip the buffer used for the first point. It also skips 6.86 if 7.01 buffer was used and viceversa. Likewise, it will skip 9.18 if 10.01 buffer was used and viceversa.

- After the first calibration point is confirmed, immerse the pH electrode and the temperature probe approximately 4 cm (1½”) into the second buffer solution and stir gently. The temperature probe should be close to the pH electrode.
- If necessary, press the **ARROW** keys to select a different buffer value.
- The “8” tag will blink on the LCD until the reading is stable.
- When the reading is stable and close to the selected buffer, the “READY” tag will be displayed and the “CFM” tag will blink.
- Press **CFM** to confirm calibration.
- The calibrated value will be displayed on the primary LCD and the third expected buffer value on the secondary LCD line.



**Note:** The instruments will automatically skip the buffers used for the first and second calibration points.

- After the second calibration point is confirmed, immerse the pH electrode and the temperature probe approximately 4 cm (1½”) into the third buffer solution and stir gently. The temperature probe should be close to the pH electrode.
- If necessary, press the **ARROW** keys to select a different buffer value.
- The “8” tag will blink on the LCD until the reading is stable.
- When the reading is stable and close to the selected buffer, the “READY” tag will be displayed and the “CFM” tag will blink.
- Press **CFM** to confirm calibration.
- The instruments store the calibration values and return to normal measurement mode.



- Note:**
- If the value measured by the instruments is not close to the selected buffer, "WRONG" "☹" and "WRONG" "⚠" tags will blink alternately. In this case, check if the correct buffer has been used or regenerate the electrode by following the Cleaning Procedure (see page 30). If necessary, change the buffer or the electrode.
  - If "WRONG", "Buffer pH" tags and "Old" tag on the secondary LCD are displayed blinking, an inconsistency between new and previous (old) calibration is detected. Clear calibration parameters by pressing **SET/CLR** and proceed with calibration from the current calibration point (the instruments will keep all confirmed values during current calibration).
  - The "WRONG" tag and temperature value are displayed blinking if temperature reading is out of the defined temperature range of the buffer. Calibration cannot be confirmed in this situation.
  - Press **RANGE** to display the temperature reading on the LCD during calibration.



## TWO-POINT CALIBRATION

- Proceed as described in "Three-point calibration" section.
- Press **CAL** after the second calibration point was confirmed.

The instruments will return to measurement mode and will memorize the two-point calibration data.

## ONE-POINT CALIBRATION

- Proceed as described in "Three-point calibration" section.
- Press **CAL** after the first calibration point was confirmed.

The instruments will return to measurement mode and will memorize the one-point calibration data.

**Note:** Calibration parameters are evaluated taking in consideration the new values for the confirmed buffers in current calibration and the old values, if existing, for the other buffers. To clear old calibration values, press **SET/CLR** before exiting calibration.

## GOOD LABORATORY PRACTICE (GLP)

GLP is a set of functions that allows storage and retrieval of data regarding the maintenance and status of the electrode.

All data regarding last calibration (one, two or three-point) is stored for the user to review when necessary. This data includes the following: calibration time stamp, offset (mV), slope (%), calibration buffers and the time until a new calibration is required.

### CALIBRATION ALARM TIME-OUT

HI 250 and HI 251 allow the user to set the number of days before the next required pH calibration. This value can be set from 1 to 7 days. The default setting is OFF (disabled).

The instruments check if the time-out time has expired. If the time elapsed, the "CAL" "INTV" tags will blink as a reminder.

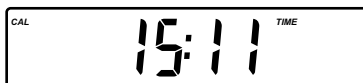
**Note:** If the instruments were not calibrated, the "CAL" "INTV" tags will be displayed even if the feature is disabled in SETUP menu.

### LAST CALIBRATION DATA

The last calibration data is stored automatically after a successful calibration.

To view the pH calibration data, press **GLP** while in normal measurement mode.

The instruments will display the time (hh:mm) of the last calibration.

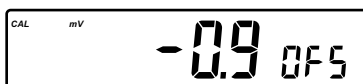


Press the **ARROW** keys to view the next logged calibration parameter (pressing the  $\Delta$  °C key):

- The date (yyyy.mm.dd).



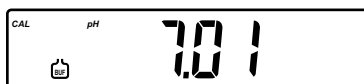
- The pH calibration offset.



- The pH calibration slope (the GLP slope is the average of the calibration slopes; the percentage is referred to the ideal value of 59.16 mV/pH).



- The calibration buffers in calibrating order.  
The first pH calibration buffer:



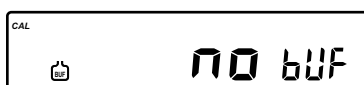
The second pH calibration buffer:



The third pH calibration buffer:



- Note:**
- The "Old" message displayed beside the pH value means that this buffer was not used during last calibration. Press and hold down **SET/CLR** if you want to see calibration date (or time if old calibration was made in the same day with current calibration).
  - If "no bUF" message appears on the LCD, the instruments inform you that calibration was performed in less than three points.



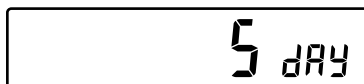
- pH resolution during calibration.



- Calibration Alarm Time-Out status:  
if disabled.



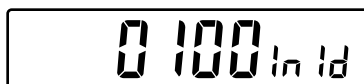
or the number of days until the calibration alarm will be displayed.



or if expired (7 days ago).



- The instrument ID.



- Note:**
- Press **GLP** at any moment and the instruments will return to measurement mode.
  - If calibration has not been performed, the instruments display "no CAL" message blinking.



## LOGGING FUNCTION

Up to 50 LOG samples can be stored into memory.

### LOGGING THE CURRENT DATA

To store the current reading into memory press **LOG** while the instruments are in measurement mode.

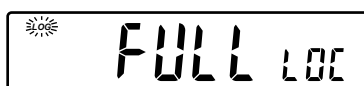
The instruments will display the current date (mm.dd) on the primary LCD, the record number on the secondary LCD and "LOG" tag will blink for a few seconds (see example below: record No. 5 dated September 14):



If there are less than 6 memory locations remaining, the record number and "Lo" message will blink to alert the user.



If the log space is full, "FULL LOC" message will be displayed and no more data will be saved.



When **LOG** is pressed, a complete set of information is stored: date, time, pH, mV, temperature and calibration data.

## VIEW LOGGED DATA

Press **RCL** while in measurement mode to retrieve the stored information.

If no data were logged, the instruments display:



Otherwise, the instruments will display the **pH** or **relative mV** value (**HI 251** only) on the primary LCD and the last stored record number on the secondary LCD, along with "LOG" tag.



or

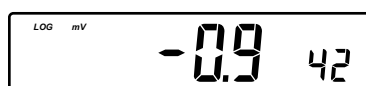


Pressing the **ARROW** keys, the instruments will display the same parameter but for a different record.

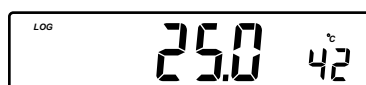


Press **RANGE** and the instruments will display the next logged parameter as follows:

- The **mV** value on the primary LCD and the record number on the secondary LCD (**HI 251** only).

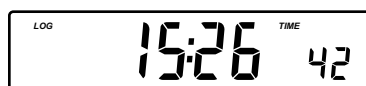


- The **temperature** value on the primary LCD and the record number on the secondary LCD.



**Note:** When the pH, mV or temperature is displayed, if **SET/CLR** is pressed and hold down, the secondary LCD will display the record date.

- The **time** on the primary LCD, along with "TIME" tag.





- The **date** on the primary LCD, along with "DATE" tag.



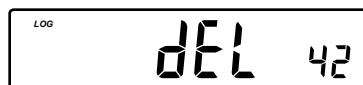
- The calibration **offset** on the primary LCD and "OFS" message on the secondary LCD.



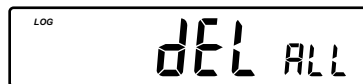
- The calibration **slope** on the primary LCD and "SLP" message on the secondary LCD.



- Note:**
- If in Relative mV RECALL mode, the instruments will display "----" message on the primary LCD (HI 251 only).
  - When the time, date, year, offset or slope is displayed, if **SET/CLR** is pressed and hold down, the secondary LCD will display the record number.

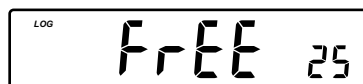


- The "dEL" message on the primary LCD and the selected record on the secondary LCD, along with "LOG" tag.



- Note:**
- If one of the **ARROW** keys is pressed while "dEL" and record number is displayed, the next/previous record number is selected.
  - If **LOG** is pressed, the secondary LCD will display "ALL" message.
  - Pressing **LOG** again, the secondary LCD will display the record number.
  - Press **SET/CLR** to delete the selected or all records.
  - If "del ALL" option was selected, all records are deleted and the instrument returns to measurement mode.

- Note:** After **LOG** is pressed while in measurement mode or a selected record is deleted, the instrument will display the amount of free log space for about one second (e.g. 25 records free).



Press **RCL** to leave RECALL mode at any time.

## SETUP

Setup mode allows viewing and modifying the following parameters:

- Current Time
- Current Date
- pH Resolution
- Beep Status
- Baud Rate (serial communication)
- Command prefix (serial communication)
- Calibration Alarm Time-Out
- Instrument ID

To enter SETUP mode press **SET** while the instruments are in measurement mode.

Select a parameter with the **ARROW** keys.

Press **CAL** if you want to change a parameter value. The selected parameter will start blinking.

Press **RANGE** to toggle between displayed parameters.

Press the **ARROW** keys to increase or decrease the displayed value.

Press **CFM** to save the modified value or **CAL** to escape.

Press the **ARROW** keys to select the next/previous parameter.

### CURRENT TIME SET

Press **CAL** when the current time is displayed. The hour will start blinking.



Press the **ARROW** keys to change the hour.

Press **RANGE**. The minutes will start blinking.



Press the **ARROW** keys to change the minutes.

Press **CFM** to save the modified value.

Press **CAL** to escape without saving.

### CURRENT DATE SET

Press **CAL** when the current date is displayed. The year will start blinking.



Press the **ARROW** keys to change the year.

Press **RANGE**. The month will start blinking.



Press the **ARROW** keys to change the month.

Press **RANGE**. The day will start blinking.



Press the **ARROW** keys to change the day.

Press **CFM** to save the modified value.

Press **CAL** to escape without saving.

### pH RESOLUTION SET

Press **CAL** when the pH range is displayed. The pH range (0.01 or 0.1) will start blinking.



Press the **ARROW** keys to change the pH range.

Press **CFM** to save the modified pH range.

Press **CAL** to escape without saving.

### BEEP STATUS SET

Press **CAL** when the beep status is displayed. Beep status (On or OFF) will start blinking.



Press the **ARROW** keys to change the beep status (On or OFF).

Press **CFM** to save the modified beep status.

Press **CAL** to escape without saving.

### **BAUD RATE SET**

Press **CAL** when the baud rate is displayed. The baud rate (600, 1200, 2400, 4800 or 9600) will start blinking.



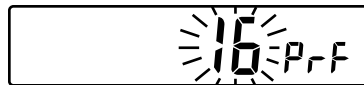
Press the **ARROW** keys to change the baud rate value.

Press **CFM** to save the modified baud rate value.

Press **CAL** to escape without saving.

### **SERIAL COMMUNICATION COMMAND PREFIX SET**

Press **CAL** when the command prefix is displayed. The command prefix (0 to 47) will start blinking.



Press the **ARROW** keys to change the command prefix.

Press **CFM** to save the modified command prefix value.

Press **CAL** to escape without saving.

**Note:**

- See the PC interface section on page 25 for a complete explanation.
- The command prefix must be 16 if HI 92000 PC software is used.

### **CALIBRATION ALARM TIME-OUT SET**

Press **CAL** when the calibration time-out is displayed. Calibration time-out (OFF or 1 to 7 days) will start blinking.



Press the **ARROW** keys to change the calibration time-out value.

Press **CFM** to save the modified calibration time-out value.

Press **CAL** to escape without saving.

### **INSTRUMENT ID PARAMETER SET**

Press **CAL** when the instrument ID is displayed. The instrument ID (0000 to 9999) will start blinking.



Press the **ARROW** keys to change the instrument ID value.

Press **CFM** to save the modified instrument ID value.

Press **CAL** to escape without saving.

**Note:** The instrument ID is downloaded to a PC as part of a logged data, set to identify its origin.

## TEMPERATURE CALIBRATION (for technical personnel only)

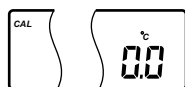
All the instruments are factory calibrated for temperature.

Hanna's temperature probes are interchangeable and no temperature calibration is needed when they are replaced.

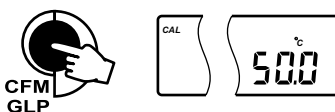
If the temperature measurements are inaccurate, temperature recalibration should be performed.

For an accurate recalibration, contact your dealer or the nearest Hanna Customer Service Center, or follow the instructions bellow.

- Prepare a vessel containing ice and water and another one containing hot water (at a temperature of around 50 °C). Place insulation material around the vessels to minimize temperature changes.
- Use a calibrated thermometer with a resolution of 0.1 °C as a reference thermometer.
- With the instruments off, press and hold down the **CAL&LOG** keys, then power on the instruments. The "CAL" tag will appear and the secondary LCD will show 0.0 °C.



- Immerse the temperature probe in the vessel with ice and water as near as possible to the reference thermometer. Allow a few seconds for the probe to stabilize.
- Use the **ARROW** keys to set the reading on the secondary LCD to that of ice and water, measured by the reference thermometer. When the reading is stable and close to the selected calibration point, "READY" tag will appear and "CFM" tag will blink.
- Press **CFM** to confirm. The secondary LCD will show 50.0 °C.



- Immerse the temperature probe in the second vessel as near as possible to the reference thermometer. Allow a few seconds for the probe to stabilize.

- Use the **ARROW** keys to set the reading on the secondary LCD to that of the hot water.



- When the reading is stable and close to the selected calibration point, "READY" tag will appear and "CFM" tag will blink.
- Press **CFM** to confirm. The instruments return to measurement mode.



**Note:** If the reading is not close to the selected calibration point, "WRONG" tag will blink. Change the temperature probe and restart calibration.

### mV CALIBRATION (for technical personnel only)

All the instruments are factory calibrated for mV.

Hanna's ORP electrodes are interchangeable and no mV calibration is needed when they are replaced.

If the mV measurements are inaccurate, mV recalibration should be performed. For an accurate recalibration, contact your dealer or the nearest Hanna Customer Service Center, or follow the instructions below.

A two or three-point calibration can be performed at 0.0 mV, 600.0 mV and 1800.0 mV.

- Attach to the BNC connector a mV simulator with an accuracy of  $\pm 0.1$  mV.
- With the instruments off, press and hold down the **CFM&RCL** keys, then power on the instruments. The "CAL" tag will appear and the secondary LCD will show 0.0 mV.
- Set 0.0 mV on the simulator.  
When the reading is stable and close to the selected calibration point, "READY" tag will appear and "CFM" tag will blink.
- Press **CFM** to confirm. The secondary LCD will display 600 mV.
- Set 600.0 mV on the simulator.  
When the reading is stable and close to the selected calibration point, "READY" tag will appear and "CFM" tag will blink.
- Press **CFM** to confirm. The secondary LCD will display 1800 mV.
- Set 1800.0 mV on the simulator.  
When the reading is stable and close to the selected calibration point, "READY" tag will appear and "CFM" tag will blink.
- Press **CFM** to confirm. The instruments return to measurement mode.

- Note:
- If the reading is not close to the selected calibration point, "WRONG" tag will blink. Verify calibration condition or contact your vendor if you can not calibrate.
  - Press **CAL** in any moment of the calibration process. The instruments will return to measurement mode. If calibration process is stopped after 600 mV is confirmed, the 600 mV range is calibrated and calibration parameters are memorized.

### RELATIVE mV CALIBRATION (HI 251)

- Press **CAL** when the instrument is in RELATIVE mV measurement mode. The "mV" and "Σ" tags will blink. Absolute mV is displayed on the primary LCD and "AbS" message is displayed on the secondary LCD.
- When the absolute reading is stable and in measurement range, the instrument asks for confirmation.
- If the reading is out of range, "WRONG" tag will be displayed.
- Press **CFM** to confirm the absolute value. The instrument will display 0.0 mV on the primary LCD and "rEL" message on the secondary LCD. In this moment the relative mV offset is equal to absolute mV reading.
- Use the **ARROW** keys if you want to change the displayed relative mV value.
- Press **CFM** to confirm the relative mV value. The relative mV offset is displayed on the primary LCD and "OFF" message on the secondary LCD for a few seconds. The instrument returns to measurement mode.

**Note:** The relative mV value can be changed only inside the relative mV offset window ( $\pm 2000$  mV).



## PC INTERFACE

Data transmission from the instrument to the PC can be done with the **HI 92000** Windows® compatible software (optional). **HI 92000** also offers graphing and on-line help feature.

Data can be exported to the most popular spreadsheet programs for further analysis.

To connect your instrument to a PC, use the optional Hanna **HI 920010** cable connector. Make sure that your instrument is switched off and plug one connector to the instrument RS232C socket and the other into the serial port of your PC.

- Note:**
- Other cables than **HI 920010** may use a different configuration. In this case communication between instrument and PC may not be possible.
  - If you are not using Hanna Instruments **HI 92000** software, please see the following instructions.

### SENDING COMMANDS FROM PC

It is also possible to remotely control the instrument with any terminal program. Use **HI 920010** cable to connect the instrument to a PC, start the terminal program and set the communication options as follows: 8, N, 1, no flow control.

### COMMAND TYPES

To send a command to the instrument the scheme is:

<command prefix> <command> <CR>

where: <command prefix> is a selectable ASCII character between 0 and 47.

<command> is the command code (3 characters).

**Note:** Either small or capital letters can be used.

### SIMPLE COMMANDS

<b>RNG</b>	Is equivalent to pressing <b>RANGE</b>
<b>CAL</b>	Is equivalent to pressing <b>CAL</b>
<b>CFM</b>	Is equivalent to pressing <b>CFM/GLP</b>
<b>UPC</b>	Is equivalent to pressing the <b>UP</b> arrow key
<b>DWC</b>	Is equivalent to pressing the <b>DOWN</b> arrow key
<b>SET</b>	Is equivalent to pressing <b>SET/CLR</b>
<b>LOG</b>	Is equivalent to pressing <b>LOG</b>

- CHR n** Change the instrument range according with the parameter value (n):
- n=1 pH range/0.01 resolution
  - n=2 pH range/0.1 resolution
  - n=3 mV range (**HI 251** only)
  - n=4 Relative mV range (**HI 251** only)

### COMMANDS REQUIRING AN ANSWER

- pH?** Causes the instrument to send the pH reading. If the range is set to mV, "Err6" is received.
- MV?** Causes the instrument to send the mV reading. If the range is set to pH, "Err6" is received.
- MR?** Causes the instrument to send the relative mV reading. If the range is set to pH or mV, "Err6" is received.
- TM?** Causes the instrument to send the temperature reading.
- RAS** Causes the instrument to send a complete set of readings in according with the current range:
- pH, mV and temperature reading on pH range.
  - mV and temperature reading on mV range.
  - Rel mV, absolute mV and temperature reading on Rel mV range.
- MDR** Requests the instrument model name and firmware code.
- PAR** Requests the setup parameters setting (instrument ID, calibration alarm time-out, pH range, beep status).
- NSL** Requests the number of logged samples.
- GLP** Requests the calibration data record.
- LOD xxx** Requests the xxx<sup>th</sup> record logged data ("Err3" is sent when "xxx" is an invalid record number).
- LOD ALL** Requests all logged data.
- Note:**
- "Err8" is sent if instrument is not in measurement mode.
  - "Err7" is sent if mV are asked during pH calibration mode.
  - "NAK" (21) character is sent when the instrument receives an unknown or a corrupted command.
- Note:** Invalid commands will be ignored.

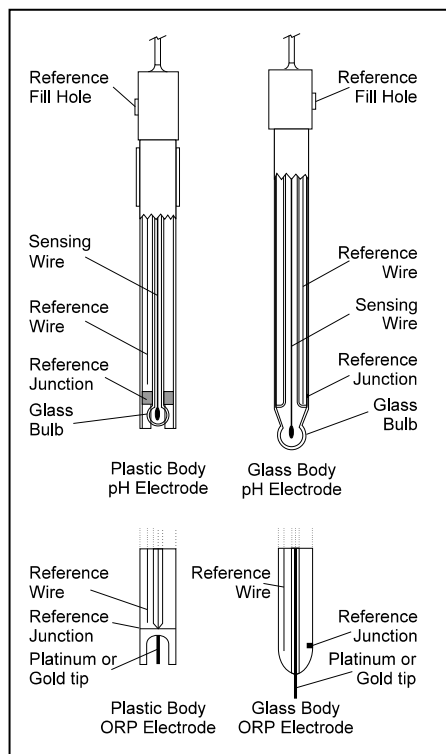
## pH VALUES AT DIFFERENT TEMPERATURES

The temperature has an effect on pH. The calibration buffer solutions are affected by temperature changes to a lesser degree than normal solutions. During calibration the instrument will automatically calibrate to the pH value corresponding to the measured or set temperature.

TEMP		pH VALUES				
°C	°F	4.01	6.86	7.01	9.18	10.01
0	32	4.01	6.98	7.13	9.46	10.32
5	41	4.00	6.95	7.10	9.39	10.24
10	50	4.00	6.92	7.07	9.33	10.18
15	59	4.00	6.90	7.04	9.27	10.12
20	68	4.00	6.88	7.03	9.22	10.06
25	77	4.01	6.86	7.01	9.18	10.01
30	86	4.02	6.85	7.00	9.14	9.96
35	95	4.03	6.84	6.99	9.10	9.92
40	104	4.04	6.84	6.98	9.07	9.98
45	113	4.05	6.83	6.98	9.04	9.85
50	122	4.06	6.83	6.98	9.01	9.82
55	131	4.07	6.84	6.98	8.99	9.79
60	140	4.09	6.84	6.98	8.97	9.77
65	149	4.11	6.85	6.99	8.95	9.76
70	158	4.12	6.85	6.99	8.93	9.75

During calibration the instrument will display the pH buffer value at 25 °C.

## ELECTRODE CONDITIONING & MAINTENANCE



### PREPARATION PROCEDURE

Remove the protective cap of the pH electrode.

DO NOT BE ALARMED IF SALT DEPOSITS ARE PRESENT. This is normal with electrodes. They will disappear when rinsed with water.

During transport, tiny bubbles of air may form inside the glass bulb affecting proper functioning of the electrode. These bubbles can be removed by "shaking down" the electrode as you would do with a glass thermometer.

If the bulb and/or junction is dry, soak the electrode in **HI 70300** or **HI 80300** Storage Solution for at least one hour.

**For refillable electrodes:**

If the filling solution (electrolyte) is more than 2½ cm (1") below the fill hole, add **HI 7082** or **HI 8082** 3.5M KCl Electrolyte Solution for double junction or **HI 7071** or **HI 8071** 3.5M KCl+AgCl Electrolyte Solution for single junction electrodes.

For faster response, unscrew the fill hole screw during measurements.

**For AMPHEL® electrodes:**

If the electrode does not respond to pH changes, the battery is run down and the electrode should be replaced.

**MEASUREMENT**

Rinse the electrode tip with distilled water. Immerse the tip (bottom 4 cm/1½") in the sample and stir gently for a few seconds.

For a faster response and to avoid cross-contamination of the samples, rinse the electrode tip with a few drops of the solution to be tested, before taking measurements.

**STORAGE PROCEDURE**

To minimize clogging and assure a quick response time, the glass bulb and the junction should be kept moist and not allowed to dry out.

Replace the solution in the protective cap with a few drops of **HI 70300** or **HI 80300** Storage Solution or, in its absence, Filling Solution (**HI 7071** or **HI 8071** for single junction and **HI 7082** or **HI 8082** for double junction electrodes). Follow the Preparation Procedure on page 28 before taking measurements.

**Note:** NEVER STORE THE ELECTRODE IN DISTILLED OR DEIONIZED WATER.

**PERIODIC MAINTENANCE**

Inspect the electrode and the cable. The cable used for connection to the instrument must be intact and there must be no points of broken insulation on the cable or cracks on the electrode stem or bulb. Connectors must be perfectly clean and dry. If any scratches or cracks are present, replace the electrode. Rinse off any salt deposits with water.

**For refillable electrodes:**

Refill the reference chamber with fresh electrolyte (**HI 7071** or **HI 8071** for single junction and **HI 7082** or **HI 8082** for double junction electrodes). Allow the electrode to stand upright for 1 hour.

Follow the Storage Procedure above.

## **CLEANING PROCEDURE**

- General Soak in Hanna **HI 7061** or **HI 8061** General Cleaning Solution for approximately ½ hour.
- Protein Soak in Hanna **HI 7073** or **HI 8073** Protein Cleaning Solution for 15 minutes.
- Inorganic Soak in Hanna **HI 7074** Inorganic Cleaning Solution for 15 minutes.
- Oil/grease Rinse with Hanna **HI 7077** or **HI 8077** Oil and Fat Cleaning Solution.

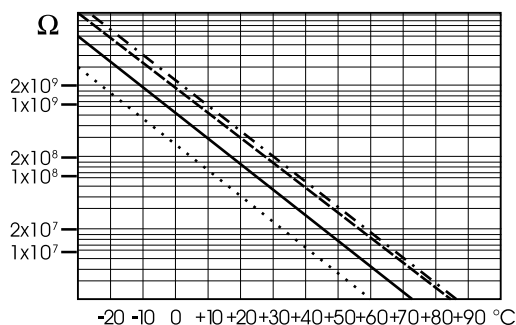
**IMPORTANT:** After performing any of the cleaning procedures, rinse the electrode thoroughly with distilled water, refill the reference chamber with fresh electrolyte (not necessary for gel-filled electrodes) and soak the electrode in **HI 70300** or **HI 80300** Storage Solution for at least 1 hour before taking measurements.

## TROUBLESHOOTING GUIDE

SYMPTOMS	PROBLEM	SOLUTION
Slow response/excessive drift.	Dirty pH electrode.	Soak the electrode tip in HI 7061 or HI 8061 solution for 30 minutes and then clean the electrode.
Readings fluctuate up and down (noise).	Clogged/dirty junction. Low electrolyte level (refillable electrodes only).	Clean the electrode. Refill with fresh solution (for refillable electrodes only).
Out of range in the mV scale.	Dry membrane/junction.	Soak in HI 70300 or HI 80300 storage solution.
The meter does not accept the buffer solution for calibration.	Out of order pH electrode.	Follow the cleaning procedure. If still no results, replace the electrode.
If the display shows: "pH" and "-2.00" or "16.00" blinking.	Out of range in the pH scale.	a) Recalibrate the meter. b) Make sure the pH sample is in the specified range. c) Check the electrolyte level and the general state of the electrode.
If the display shows: "mV" and "-2000" or "+2000" blinking	Out of range in the mV scale.	Electrode not connected.
The meter does not work with the temperature probe.	Broken temperature probe.	Replace the temperature probe.
The meter fails to calibrate or gives faulty readings.	Broken pH electrode.	Replace the electrode.
At startup the meter displays all LCD tags permanently.	One of the keys is blocked.	Check the keyboard or contact the vendor.
"Err xx" error message displayed.	Internal error.	Power off the meter and then power it on. If the error persists, contact the vendor.

## TEMPERATURE CORRELATION FOR pH SENSITIVE GLASS

The resistance of glass electrodes partially depends on the temperature. The lower the temperature, the higher the resistance. It takes more time for the reading to stabilize if the resistance is higher. In addition, the response time will suffer to a greater degree at temperatures below 25 °C.



Since the resistance of the pH electrode is in the range of 50 – 200 Mohm, the current across the membrane is in the pico Ampere range. Large currents can disturb the calibration of the electrode for many hours.

For these reasons high humidity environments, short circuits and static discharges are detrimental to a stable pH reading.

The pH electrode's life also depends on the temperature. If constantly used at high temperatures, the electrode life is drastically reduced.

### Typical Electrode Life

Ambient Temperature	1 – 3 years
90 °C	Less than 4 months
120 °C	Less than 1 month

### Alkaline Error

High concentrations of sodium ions interfere with readings in alkaline solutions. The pH at which the interference starts to be significant depends upon the composition of the glass. This interference is called alkaline error and causes the pH to be underestimated. Hanna's glass formulations have the indicated characteristics.

Sodium Ion Correction for the Glass at 20-25 °C		
Concentration	pH	Error
0.1 Mol L <sup>-1</sup> Na <sup>+</sup>	13.00	0.10
	13.50	0.14
	14.00	0.20
1.0 Mol L <sup>-1</sup> Na <sup>+</sup>	12.50	0.10
	13.00	0.18
	13.50	0.29
	14.00	0.40



## ACCESSORIES

### pH BUFFER SOLUTIONS

HI 70004P	pH 4.01 Buffer Sachets, 20 mL, 25 pcs
HI 70007P	pH 7.01 Buffer Sachets, 20 mL, 25 pcs
HI 70010P	pH 10.01 Buffer Sachets, 20 mL, 25 pcs
HI 7001L	pH 1.68 Buffer Solution, 500 mL
HI 7004L	pH 4.01 Buffer Solution, 500 mL
HI 7006L	pH 6.86 Buffer Solution, 500 mL
HI 7007L	pH 7.01 Buffer Solution, 500 mL
HI 7009L	pH 9.18 Buffer Solution, 500 mL
HI 7010L	pH 10.01 Buffer Solution, 500 mL
HI 7001L	pH 1.68 Buffer Solution in FDA approved bottle, 500 mL
HI 8004L	pH 4.01 Buffer Solution in FDA approved bottle, 500 mL
HI 8006L	pH 6.86 Buffer Solution in FDA approved bottle, 500 mL
HI 8007L	pH 7.01 Buffer Solution in FDA approved bottle, 500 mL
HI 8009L	pH 9.18 Buffer Solution in FDA approved bottle, 500 mL
HI 8010L	pH 10.01 Buffer Solution in FDA approved bottle, 500 mL

### ELECTRODE STORAGE SOLUTIONS

HI 70300L	Storage Solution, 460 mL
HI 80300L	Storage Solution in FDA approved bottle, 460 mL

### ELECTRODE CLEANING SOLUTIONS

HI 70000P	Electrode Rinse Sachets, 20 mL, 25 pcs
HI 7061L	General Cleaning Solution, 460 mL
HI 7073L	Protein Cleaning Solution, 460 mL
HI 7074L	Inorganic Cleaning Solution, 460 mL
HI 7077L	Oil & Fat Cleaning Solution, 460 mL
HI 8061L	General Cleaning Solution in FDA approved bottle, 460 mL
HI 8073L	Protein Cleaning Solution in FDA approved bottle, 460 mL
HI 8077L	Oil & Fat Cleaning Solution in FDA approved bottle, 460 mL

### ELECTRODE REFILL ELECTROLYTE SOLUTIONS

HI 7071	3.5M KCl + AgCl Electrolyte, 4x30 mL, for single junction electrodes
HI 7072	1M KNO <sub>3</sub> Electrolyte, 4x30 mL
HI 7082	3.5M KCl Electrolyte, 4x30 mL, for double junction electrodes
HI 8071	3.5M KCl + AgCl Electrolyte in FDA approved bottle, 4x30 mL, for single junction electrodes
HI 8072	1M KNO <sub>3</sub> Electrolyte in FDA approved bottle, 4x30 mL
HI 8082	3.5M KCl Electrolyte in FDA approved bottle, 4x30 mL, for double junction electrodes.

## ORP PRETREATMENT SOLUTIONS

HI 7091L Reducing Pretreatment Solution, 460 mL

HI 7092L Oxidizing Pretreatment Solution, 460 mL

## pH ELECTRODES

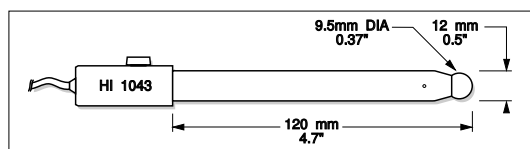
All electrodes part numbers ending in B are supplied with a BNC connector and 1 m (3.3') cable, as shown below :



### HI 1043B

Glass-body, double junction, refillable, combination pH electrode.

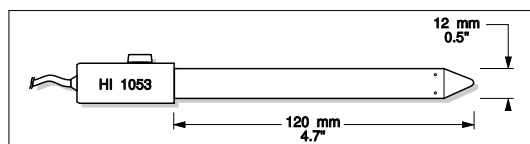
Use: strong acid/alkali.



### HI 1053B

Glass-body, triple ceramic, conic shape, refillable, combination pH electrode.

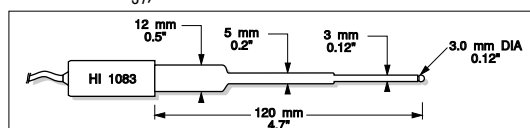
Use: emulsions.



### HI 1083B

Glass-body, micro, Viscolene, non-refillable, combination pH electrode.

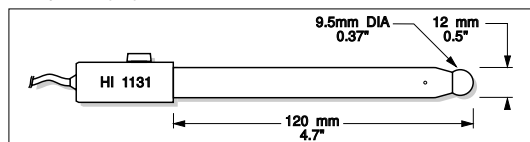
Use: biotechnology, micro titration.



### HI 1131B

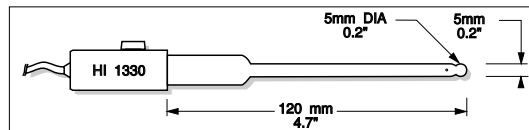
Glass-body, single junction, refillable, combination pH electrode.

Use: general purpose.



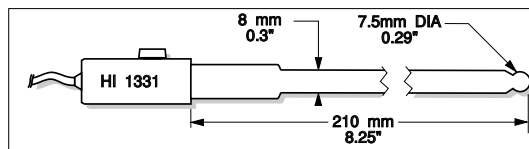
### HI 1330B

Glass-body, semimicro, single junction, refillable, combination pH electrode.  
Use: laboratory, vials.



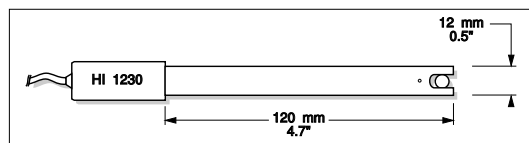
### HI 1331B

Glass-body, semimicro, single junction, refillable, combination pH electrode.  
Use: flasks.



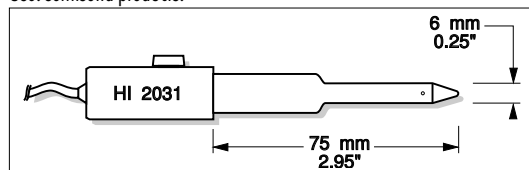
### HI 1230B

Plastic-body (Ultem®), double junction, gel-filled, combination pH electrode.  
Use: general, field.



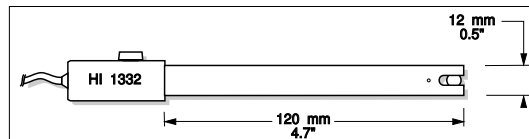
### HI 2031B

Glass-body, semimicro, conic, refillable, combination pH electrode.  
Use: semisolid products.



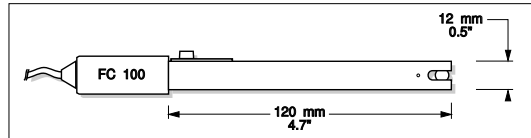
### HI 1332B

Plastic-body (Ultem®), double junction, refillable, combination pH electrode.  
Use: general purpose.



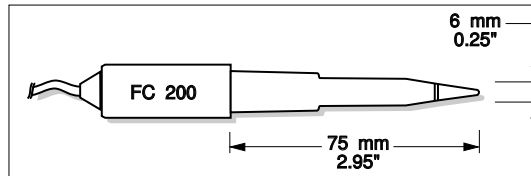
#### FC 100B

Plastic-body (Kynar®), double junction, refillable, combination pH electrode.  
Use: general purpose for food industry.



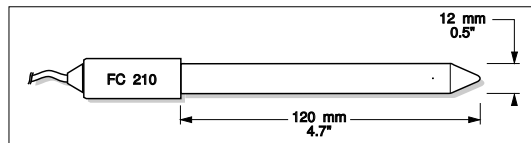
#### FC 200B

Plastic-body (Kynar®), open junction, conic, Viscolene, non-refillable, combination pH electrode. Use: meat & cheese.



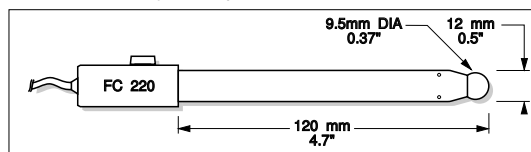
#### FC 210B

Glass-body, double junction, conic, Viscolene, non-refillable, combination pH electrode. Use: milk, yogurt.



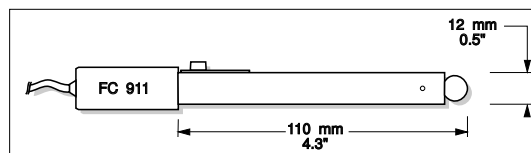
#### FC 220B

Glass-body, triple-ceramic, single junction, refillable, combination pH electrode. Use: food processing.



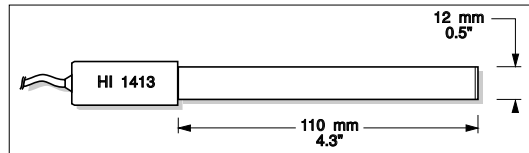
#### FC 911B

Plastic-body (Kynar®), double junction, refillable with built-in amplifier, combination pH electrode. Use: very high humidity.



### HI 1413B

Glass-body, single junction, flat tip, Viscolene, non-refillable, combination pH electrode. Use: surface measurement.

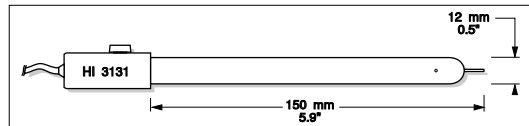


## ORP ELECTRODES

### HI 3131B

Glass-body, refillable, combination platinum ORP electrode.

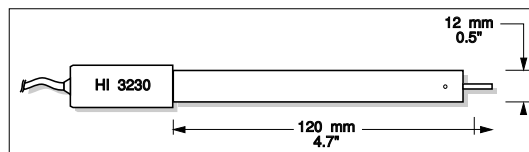
Use: titration.



### HI 3230B

Plastic-body (Ultem®), gel-filled, combination platinum ORP electrode.

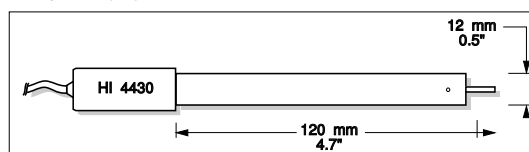
Use: general purpose.



### HI 4430B

Plastic-body (Ultem®), gel-filled, combination gold ORP electrode.

Use: general purpose.



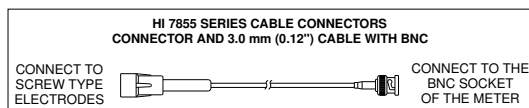
Consult the Hanna General Catalog for more electrodes with screw-type or BNC connectors.

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### EXTENSION CABLE FOR SCREW-TYPE ELECTRODES (SCREW TO BNC ADAPTER)

HI 7855/1 Extension cable 1 m (3.3') long

HI 7855/3 Extension cable 3 m (9.9') long



### OTHER ACCESSORIES

HI 710005 Voltage adapter from 115 VAC to 12 VDC (USA plug)

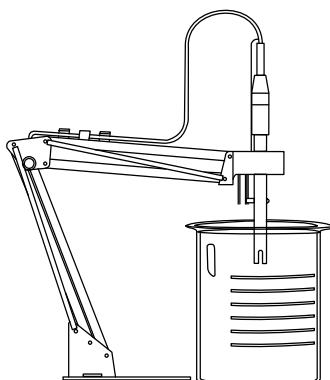
HI 710006 Voltage adapter from 230 VAC to 12 VDC (European plug)

HI 710012 Voltage adapter from 240 VAC to 12 VDC (UK plug)

HI 710013 Voltage adapter from 230 VAC to 12 VDC (South Africa plug)

HI 710014 Voltage adapter from 230 VAC to 12 VDC (Australia plug)

HI 76405 Electrode holder



HI 8427 pH and ORP electrode simulator with 1 m (3.3') coaxial cable ending in female BNC connectors

HI 931001 pH and ORP electrode simulator with LCD and 1 m (3.3') coaxial cable ending in female BNC connectors

HI 7669/2W Temperature probe with 1 m (3.3') cable

HI 92000 Windows® compatible software

HI 920010 9 to 9-pin RS232 cable

### **RECOMMENDATIONS FOR USERS**

Before using these products, make sure they are entirely suitable for the environment in which they are used.

Operation of these instruments in residential areas could cause unacceptable interferences to radio and TV equipment, requiring the operator to follow all necessary steps to correct interferences.

The glass bulb at the end of the pH electrode is sensitive to electrostatic discharges. Avoid touching this glass bulb at all times.

During operation, ESD wrist straps should be worn to avoid possible damage to the electrode by electrostatic discharges.

Any variation introduced by the user to the supplied equipment may degrade the instruments' EMC performance.

To avoid electrical shock, do not use these instruments when voltages at the measurement surface exceed 24 VAC or 60 VDC.

To avoid damage or burns, do not perform any measurement in microwave ovens.

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