## Instruction Manual

# HI 95734C Free & Total Chlorine High Range ISM





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### Dear Customer,

Thank you for choosing a Hanna product. This manual will provide you with the necessary information for the correct use of the instrument. Please read it carefully before using the meter. If you need additional technical information, do not hesitate to e-mail us at tech@hannainst.com. This instrument is in compliance with  $C \in C$  directives.

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# **USER NOTES**

Date	Parameter Code	Validation Value Passed (mg/L) yes not					ration not
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**HANNA** instruments reserves the right to modify the design, construction and appearance of its products without advance notice.

### WARRANTY

HI 95734 is warranted for two years against defects in workmanship and materials when used for its intended purpose and maintained according to the instructions.

This warranty is limited to repair or replacement free of charge.

Damages due to accident, misuse, tampering or lack of prescribed maintenance are not covered.

If service is required, contact your dealer. If under warranty, report the model number, date of purchase, serial number and the nature of the failure. If the repair is not covered by the warranty, you will be notified of the charges incurred.

If the instrument is to be returned to Hanna Instruments, first obtain a Returned Goods Authorization Number from the Customer Service Department and then send it with shipment costs prepaid. When shipping any instrument, make sure it is properly packaged for complete protection.

To validate your warranty, fill out and return the enclosed warranty card within 14 days from the date of purchase.

# HANNA LITERATURE

Hanna publishes a wide range of catalogs and handbooks for an equally wide range of applications. The reference literature currently covers areas such as:

- Water Treatment
- Process
- Swimming Pools
- Agriculture
- Food
- Laboratory

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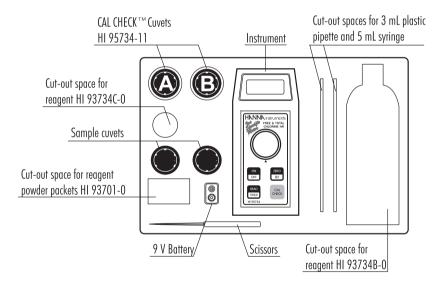
For these and other catalogs, handbooks and leaflets contact your dealer or the Hanna Customer Service Center nearest to you. To find the Hanna Office in your vicinity, check our home page at www.hannainst.com.

### PRELIMINARY EXAMINATION

Please examine this product carefully. Make sure that the instrument is not damaged. If any damage occured during shipment, please notify your Dealer.

Each **HI 95734** Ion Selective Meter is supplied complete with:

- Two Sample Cuvets and Caps
- 9V Battery
- Scissors
- Two CAL CHECK™ Cuvets (HI 95734-11) with Quality Certificate
- Tissue for wiping cuvets
- Instruction Manual and Quick Reference Guide
- Instrument Quality Certificate
- Rigid carrying case



<u>Note</u>: save all packing material until you are sure that the instrument works correctly.

Any defective item must be returned in its original packing.

### **GENERAL DESCRIPTION**

The **HI 95734** is an auto diagnostic portable microprocessor meter that benefits from Hanna's years of experience as a manufacturer of analytical instruments. It has the advanced optical system based on a special tungsten lamp and a narrow band interference filter that allows most accurate and repeatable readings. All instruments are factory calibrated and the electronic and optical design minimizes the need of frequent calibration.

With the powerful CAL CHECK<sup>TM</sup> validation function you are able to validate good performance of your instrument at any time. The validation procedure is extremely user friendly. Just use the exclusive Hanna ready-made, NIST traceable standards to verify the performance of the instrument and recalibrate if necessary.

All instruments are splash waterproof and the lamp and filter units are protected from dust or dirt by a transparent cup. This makes the instruments fulfill field applications. Display codes aid the user in routine operation. The meter has an auto-shut off feature that will turn off the instrument after 10 minutes of non use or after 1 hour if left in the *calibration mode*.

The meter uses an exclusive positive-locking system to ensure that the cuvet is in the same position every time it is placed into the measurement cell. It is designed to fit a cuvet with a larger neck making it easier to add both sample and reagents. The cuvet is made from special optical glass to obtain best results.

The **HI 95734** meter measures the free and total chlorine ( $\text{Cl}_2$ ) content in water samples in the 0.00 to 10.00 mg/L (ppm) range. The method is an adaption of the USEPA METHOD 330.5 for wastewater, and Standard Method 4500-Cl G for drinking water.

The reagents are in powder and liquid form and are supplied in packets and bottles. The amount of reagent is precisely dosed to ensure the maximum repeatability.

### **ABBREVIATIONS**

°C: degree Celsius

**EPA**: US Environmental Protection Agency

°F: degree Fahrenheit

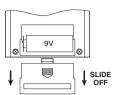
HR: High Range

mg/L: milligrams per liter. mg/L is equivalent to ppm (part per million)

mL: milliliter

Battery replacement must only take place in a non-hazardous area.

Simply slide off the battery cover on the back of the meter. Detach the battery from the terminals and attach a fresh 9V battery while paying attention to the correct polarity. Insert the battery and replace the cover.



### **CE DECLARATION OF CONFORMITY**



#### Recommendations for Users

Before using these products, make sure that they are entirely suitable for your specific application and for the environment in which they are used.

Operation of these instruments may cause unacceptable interferences to other electronic equipments, this requiring the operator to take all necessary steps to correct interferences.

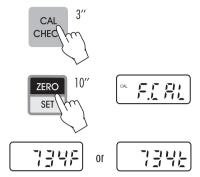
Any variation introduced by the user to the supplied equipment may degrade the instruments' EMC performance.

To avoid damages or burns, do not put the instrument in microwave ovens. For yours and the instrument safety do not use or store the instrument in hazardous environments.

### **FACTORY CALIBRATION RESET**

It is possible to restore factory calibration:

- Enter the *calibration mode* by holding CAL CHECK for three seconds.
- Hold ZERO/SET for 10 seconds. The display will show for 2 seconds "F.CAL" and the parameter code ("734f" or "734t") appears. The factory calibration is automatically restored and the instrument is ready for measurement.



### **ACCESSORIES**

### **REAGENT SETS**

HI 93734-01 Reagents for 100 Free or Total Chlorine HR tests
HI 93734-03 Reagents for 300 Free or Total Chlorine HR tests

### OTHER ACCESSORIES

HI 95734-11 CAL CHECK™ Standard Cuvets (1 set)

HI 710009 Blue rubber boot
HI 710010 Orange rubber boot
HI 721310 9V battery (10 pcs)

HI 731318 Tissue for wiping cuvets (4 pcs)

HI 731331 Glass cuvets (4 pcs)
HI 731335 Caps for cuvets (4 pcs)

HI 740157 Plastic refilling pipette (20 pcs)

HI 740226 5 mL graduated syringe

HI 93703-50 Cuvets cleaning solution (230 mL)

### **SPECIFICATIONS**

Range Free Cl., 0.00 to 10.00 mg/L

Total Cl<sub>2</sub> 0.00 to 10.00 mg/L

**Resolution** 0.01 mg/L from 0.00 to 3.50 mg/L; 0.10 mg/L above 3.50 mg/L

Precision  $\pm 0.06 \text{ mg/L} @ 3.00 \text{ mg/L}$ 

**Light Source** Tungsten lamp with narrow band interference filter @ 525 nm

**Light Detector** Silicon Photocell

Method Adaptation of the USEPA method 330.5 and Standard Method

4500-Cl G. The reaction between chlorine and the DPD reagent

causes a pink tint in the sample.

**Environment** 0 to 50°C (32 to 122°F); max 95% RH non-condensing

Battery Type 1 x 9 volt

**Auto-Shut off**After 10' of non-use in *measurement mode*;

after 1 hour of non-use in calibration mode.

**Dimensions** 180 x 83 x 46 mm (7.1 x 3.3 x 1.8")

Weight 290 g (10 oz.).

REQUIRED REAGENTS

CodeDescriptionQuantity/testHI 93701-0Free Chlorine Reagent1 packetHI 93734B-0Free & Total Chlorine HR Reagent5 mLHI 93734C-0Total Chlorine HR Reagent3 drops

# PRECISION AND ACCURACY

<u>Precision</u> is how closely repeated measurements agree with each other. Precision is usually expressed as standard deviation (SD). <u>Accuracy</u> is defined as the nearness of a test result to the true value.

Although good precision suggests good accuracy, precise results can be inaccurate. The figure explains these definitions.

In a laboratory using a standard solution of 3.00 mg/L chlorine and a representative lot of reagent, an operator obtained with a single instrument a standard deviation of 0.06 mg/L.





Not precise, not accurate Not precise, not accurate







# PRINCIPLE OF OPERATION

Absorption of Light is a typical phenomenon of interaction between electromagnetic radiation and matter. When a light beam crosses a substance, some of the radiation may be absorbed by atoms, molecules or crystal lattices.

If pure absorption occurs, the fraction of light absorbed depends both on the optical path length through the matter and on the physical-chemical characteristics of the substance according to the Lambert-Beer Law:

$$\log \ \text{I/I}_\circ = \epsilon_\lambda \ \text{cd}$$
 
$$\text{Or}$$
 
$$\text{A} = \epsilon_\lambda \ \text{cd}$$

Where:

 $-\log I/I_{\alpha} = Absorbance (A)$ 

I = I intensity of incident light beam

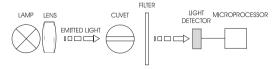
 $\Sigma$  = intensity of light beam after absorption  $\varepsilon$ <sub>2</sub> = molar extinction coefficient at wavelength  $\lambda$ 

c = molar concentration of the substance d = optical path through the substance

Therefore, the concentration "c" can be calculated from the absorbance of the substance as the other factors are known.

Photometric chemical analysis is based on the possibility to develop an absorbing compound from a specific chemical reaction between sample and reagents. Given that the absorption of a compound strictly depends on the wavelength of the incident light beam, a narrow spectral bandwidth should be selected as well as a proper central wavelength to optimize measurements.

The optical system of Hanna's **HI 95** series colorimeters is based on special subminiature tungsten lamps and narrow-band interference filters to quarantee both high performance and reliable results.



Block diagram (optical layout)

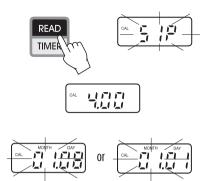
- Press READ/TIMER and "SIP" will blink during measurement.
- The instrument will show for three seconds the CAL CHECK™ standard value.

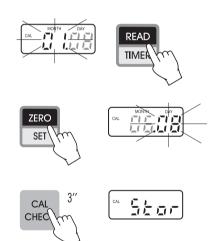
Then the date of last calibration (e.g.: "01.08") appears on the display, or "01.01" if the factory calibration was selected. In both cases the number of the month is blinking, ready for date input.

**Note**: if the display shows "ERR" the calibration procedure failed. Verify that both CAL CHECK <sup>TM</sup> Standards HI 95734-11 Cuvets, **A** and **B**, are free from fingerprints or dirt and that they are inserted correctly.

#### DATE INPUT

- Keep READ/TIMER pressed to scroll to the desired month number (01-12).
- When the correct month has been set, press ZERO to confirm. Now the display will show the day number blinking. Keep READ/TIMER pressed to scroll to the desired day number (01-31).
   Note: it is possible to change from day to month and vice versa by pressing ZERO.
- When both the day and month have been selected, hold CAL CHECK for three seconds to store date and calibration values. The instrument will show for one second "Stor", to confirm that the new calibration data has been accepted.
- The instrument will return automatically to the measurement mode by displaying the parameter code ("734f" or "734t") on the LCD.







### **CALIBRATION PROCEDURE**

**Note**: it is possible to interrupt calibration procedure at any time by pressing ON/OFF.

<u>Warning</u>: do not validate or calibrate the instrument with standard solutions other than the Hanna CAL CHECK  $^{\text{TM}}$  Standards, otherwise erroneous results will be obtained.

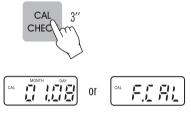
For accurate Validation and Calibration results, please perform test at room temperature: 18 to  $25^{\circ}$ C (64.5 to  $77.0^{\circ}$ F).

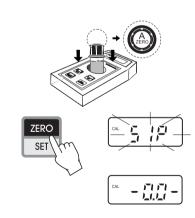
### **CALIBRATION PROCEDURE**

- Select the parameter code for free chlorine "734f" or total chlorine "734t" by holding ZERO/SET (see page 14).
- Enter the *calibration mode* by holding CAL CHECK for three seconds.
- The date of the last calibration appears (e.g.: month "01", day "08"). "F.CAL" means that the factory calibration is selected.

**Note**: at this point it is possible to reset the instrument to restore FACTORY CALIBRATION, see instructions page 20.

- Place the CAL CHECK™ Standard Cuvet A into the holder and ensure that the notch on the cap is positioned securely into the groove.
- Press ZERO and "SIP" will blink on the display.
- After a few seconds the display will show "-0.0-".
   The meter is now zeroed and ready for calibration.
- Remove the cuvet.
- Place the CAL CHECK<sup>TM</sup> Standard HI 95734-11
   Cuvet B into the holder and ensure that the notch on the cap is positioned securely into the groove.







A microprocessor controlled special tungsten lamp emits radiation which is first optically conditioned and beamed to the sample contained in the cuvet. The optical path is fixed by the diameter of the cuvet. Then the light is spectrally filtered to a narrow spectral bandwidth, to obtain a light beam of intensity  $\mathbb{T}_2$  or  $\mathbb{T}$ .

The photoelectric cell collects the radiation I that is not absorbed by the sample and converts it into an electric current, producing a potential in the mV range.

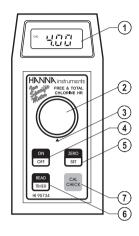
The microprocessor uses this potential to convert the incoming value into the desired measuring unit and to display it on the LCD.

The measurement process is carried out in two phases: first the meter is zeroed and then the actual measurement is performed.

The cuvet has a very important role because it is an optical element and thus requires particular attention. It is important that both the measurement and the calibration (zeroing) cuvets are optically identical to provide the same measurement conditions. Whenever possible use the same cuvet for both. It is necessary that the surface of the cuvet is clean and not scratched. This to avoid measurement interference due to unwanted reflection and absorption of light. It is recommended not to touch the cuvet walls with hands.

Furthermore, in order to maintain the same conditions during the zeroing and the measuring phases, it is necessary to close the cuvet to prevent any contamination.

### **FUNCTIONAL DESCRIPTION**



- 1) Liquid Crystal Display (LCD)
- 2) Cuvet Holder
- 3) Cuvet alignment indicator
- 4) ON/OFF key
- 5) ZERO/SET key
- 6) READ/TIMER key
- 7) CAL CHECK key

### KEYPAD DESCRIPTION

- ON/OFF: to turn the meter on and off.
- ZERO/SET: this is a bi-functional key: press to zero the meter prior to measurement, or hold the key for 3 seconds to select the desired parameter (free or total chlorine).
- READ/TIMER: this is a bi-functional key, just press for making a measurement, or hold the key
  for 3 seconds to start a pre-programmed countdown prior to measurement.
- CAL CHECK: this bi-functional key allows to perform validation of the instrument just pressing the CAL CHECK key, or hold the key for 3 seconds to enter the *calibration mode*.

#### OPERATING MODES

- *Measurement mode:* default operation mode, enables both validation and measurement.
- Calibration mode: may be entered by keeping CAL CHECK pressed for three seconds (the "CAL" icon appears), it enables calibration of the instrument.

### **VALIDATION PROCEDURE**

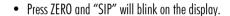
Use the validation procedure to ensure that the instrument is properly calibrated.

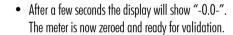
<u>Warning</u>: do not validate or calibrate the instrument with standard solutions other than the Hanna CAL CHECK  $^{\text{TM}}$  Standards, otherwise erroneous results will be obtained.

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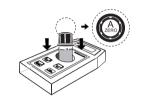
Temperature correction for Validation: corrected value = read value  $\times$  [1 + 0.002  $\times$  (20 - T(°C))] corrected value = read value  $\times$  [1 + 0.001  $\times$  (68 - T(°F))]

- Select the parameter code for free chlorine "734f" or total chlorine "734t" by holding ZERO/SET (see page 14).
- Place the CAL CHECK<sup>™</sup> Standard Cuvet A into the holder and ensure that the notch on the cap is positioned securely into the groove.





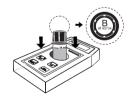
- Remove the cuvet.
- Place the CAL CHECK™ Standard HI 95734-11
   Cuvet B into the holder and ensure that the notch
   on the cap is positioned securely into the groove.
- Press CAL CHECK and "SIP" will blink during measurement.















Wait for a few seconds and the display will show the validation standard value.
 The reading should be within specifications as reported on the CAL CHECK™ Standard Certificate.
 If the value is found out of specifications, please check that the cuvets are free of fingerprints, oil or dirt and repeat validation. If results are still found out of specifications then recalibrate the instrument.

- Only in the case of total chlorine measurement, add 3 drops of HI 93734C-0 reagent to the cuvet.
- For both free and total chlorine, add the content of one packet of HI 93701-0 Free Chlorine reagent. Replace the cap and shake gently for 20 seconds (or 2 minutes in case of seawater analysis).
- Replace the cuvet into the holder and ensure that the notch on the cap is positioned securely into the groove.
- Hold READ/TIMER for three seconds. The display will show the countdown prior to measurement.

Alternatively, wait for:

Free Chlorine: or

Total Chlorine:

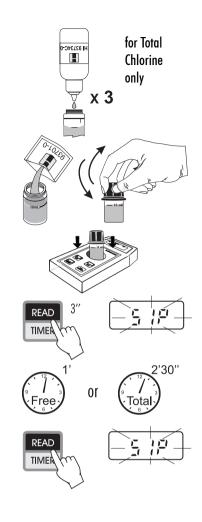
1 minute

2 minutes and 30 seconds

Then press READ/TIMER.

In both cases "SIP" will blink during measurement.

• The instrument directly displays concentration in mg/L of free or total chlorine on the Display.



### **INTERFERENCES**

Bromine (positive error)
Chlorine dioxide (positive error)

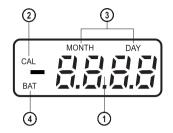
Oxidized Manganese and Chromium (positive error)
Ozone (positive error)

lodine (positive error)

Alkalinity above 250 mg/L  $CaCO_3$  or acidity above 150 mg/L  $CaCO_3$  will not reliably develop the full amount of color or it may rapidly fade. To resolve this, neutralize the sample with diluted HCl or NaOH.

In case of water with hardness greater than  $500 \text{ mg/L } \text{CaCO}_{3'}$  shake the sample for approximately 2 minutes after adding the powder reagent.

#### DISPLAY ELEMENTS DESCRIPTION



- 1) four digit main display area.
- 2) CAL: appears when the instrument operates in the calibration mode.
- 3) the Month and Day icons appear above the number of month and day when a date is displayed.
- 4) the blinking "Battery" icon appears when the battery voltage is getting low.

# **GUIDE TO DISPLAY CODES**

CAL CFM MONTH DAY

This prompt appears for 1 second each time the instrument is turned on.

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The parameter code, "734f" for free chlorine or "734t" for total chlorine, indicates that the meter is in a ready state and zeroing can be performed.

Sampling in Progress. This flashing prompt appears each time the meter is performing a measurement.

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This indicates that the meter is in a zeroed state and measurement can be performed.

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Light over range: the cuvet is not inserted correctly and an excess ambient light is reaching the detector. If the cover is properly installed, then contact your dealer or the nearest Hanna Customer Service Center.

BAT

The blinking "BAT" indicates that the battery voltage is getting low and the battery needs to be replaced.

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This indicates that the battery is dead and must be replaced. Once this indication is displayed, the meter will lock up. Change the battery and restart.

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"Configuration": this indicates that the meter has lost its configuration. Contact your dealer or the nearest Hanna Customer Service Center.

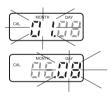
### CALIBRATION MODE MESSAGES



The date of the last calibration appears on the LCD each time the *calibration mode* is entered. If calibration is performed for the first time, "F.CAL" appears.



This indicates that the factory calibration is selected.



The flashing digits indicate that:

- 1) the month can be set
- 2) the day can be set

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"Storage": this prompt appears for 1 second at the end of the calibration procedure, to indicate that the calibration data has been stored.



"Error": the concentration of the calibration solution used is not correct. Repeat the calibration procedure with the right standard solution, and verify it is not expired. If the calibration procedure fails again, contact your dealer or the nearest Hanna Customer Service Center.

### **MEASUREMENT PROCEDURE**

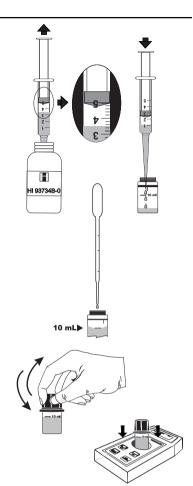
- Select the parameter code for free chlorine "734f" or total chlorine "734t" by holding ZERO/SET (see page 14).
- Add to the cuvet 5 mL of HI 93734B-0 reagent by means of the 5 mL syringe.

**Note:** in order to measure exactly 5 mL of reagent with the syringe, follow the instructions on page 12.

 Fill the cuvet up to the 10 mL mark with 5 mL of unreacted sample, using the 3 mL plastic pipette.

**Note**: rinse the 3 mL plastic pipette several times with sample before adding it to the cuvet.

- Replace the cap and shake gently for some seconds.
- Place the cuvet into the holder and ensure that the notch on the cap is positioned securely into the groove.
- Press ZERO/SET and "SIP" will blink on the display.
- After a few seconds the display will show "-0.0-". The meter is now zeroed and ready for measurement.
- Remove the cuvet.









# **OPERATIONAL GUIDE**

• Turn the meter on by pressing ON/OFF.



 When the LCD displays "734f" or "734f" it is ready. The display code that appears is the one of the last selected parameter.

7345	or	7345

Code	Parameter
734f	Free Chlorine
734t	Total Chlorine

- keep ZERO/SET pressed to change parameter. The parameter code will change every three seconds, until the key is released. Select the program for free chlorine "734f" or total chlorine "734f".
- After the desired parameter code appears on the display, perform either MEASUREMENT, VALIDATION, or CALIBRATION PROCEDURE following the instructions reported in the related

chapter.



 Important Note: Free and Total Chlorine have to be measured separately with fresh unreacted samples if both values are requested.

### **ERROR MESSAGES**

### a) on zero reading



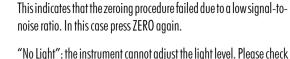






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"Light High": there is too much light to perform a measurement. Please check the preparation of the zero cuvet.



that the sample does not contain any debris.

"Light Low": there is not enough light to perform a measurement. Please check the preparation of the zero cuvet.

# b) on sample reading



There is too much light for the sample measurement. Please check if the right sample cuvet is inserted.

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"Inverted": the sample and the zero cuvet are inverted.



"Zero": a zero reading was not taken. Follow the instruction in the **measurement procedure** for zeroing the meter.



Under range. A blinking "0.00" indicates that the sample absorbs less light than the zero reference. Check the procedure and make sure you use the same cuvet for reference (zero) and measurement.



A flashing value of the maximum concentration indicates an over range condition. The concentration of the sample is beyond the programmed range: dilute the sample and re-run the test.



A flashing value lower than the maximum concentration indicates a low signal-to-noise ratio condition. In this case accuracy of the result is not guaranteed. Repeat the **measurement procedure**.

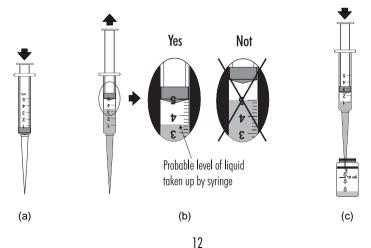
### GENERAL TIPS FOR AN ACCURATE MEASUREMENT

The instructions listed below should be carefully followed during testing to ensure best accuracy.

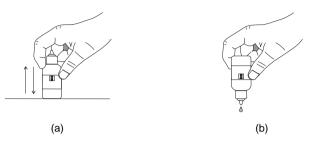
- For a correct filling of the cuvet: the liquid in the cuvet forms a convexity on the top; the bottom of this convexity must be at the same level of the 10 mL mark.
- 10 mL
- It is important that the sample does not contain any debris. This would corrupt the reading.
- Each time the cuvet is used, the cap must be tightened to the same degree.
- Whenever the cuvet is placed into the measurement cell, it must be dry outside, and completely free of fingerprints, oil or dirt. Wipe it thoroughly with HI 731318 (tissue for wiping cuvets, see chapter ACCESSORIES) or a lint-free cloth prior to insertion.



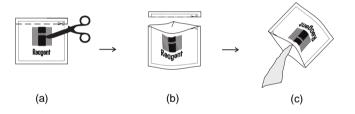
- In order to measure exactly 5 mL of reagent with the 5 mL syringe:
  - (a) push the plunger completely into the syringe and insert the tip into the reagent bottle.
  - (b) pull the plunger up until the lower edge of the seal is exactly on the 5 mL mark.
  - (c) take out the syringe and clean the outside of the syringe tip. Be sure that no drops are hanging on the tip of the syringe, if so eliminate them. Then, keeping the syringe in vertical position above the cuvet, push the plunger completely down into the syringe. Now the exact amount of 5 mL has been added to the cuvet.



- Proper use of the dropper:
  - (a) to get good reproducible results, tap the dropper on the table for several times and wipe the outside of the dropper tip with a cloth.
  - (b) always keep the dropper bottle in a vertical position while dosing the reagent.



- Proper use of the powder reagent packet:
  - (a) use scissors to open the powder packet;
  - (b) push the edges of the packet to form a spout;
  - (c) pour out the content of the packet.



- Shaking the cuvet can generate bubbles in the sample, causing higher readings. To obtain accurate
  measurements, remove such bubbles by swirling or by gently tapping the vial.
- Do not let the reacted sample stand too long after reagent is added, or accuracy will be lost.
- It is possible to take multiple readings in a row, but it is recommended to take a new zero
  reading for each sample and to use the same cuvet for zeroing and measurement.
- After the reading it is important to discard immediately the sample, otherwise the glass might become permanently stained.
- All the reaction times reported in this manual are referred to  $20^{\circ}$ C (68°F). As a general rule of thumb, they should be doubled at  $10^{\circ}$ C (50°F) and halved at  $30^{\circ}$ C (86°F).
- In order to maximize accuracy, prior to a measurement follow the **validation procedure** to be sure that the instrument is properly calibrated. If necessary, calibrate the instrument.