

HeatSeeker® 160 Dual View Thermal Imaging Camera Instruction Manual





Safety Warning:

The equipment described in this document uses a Class 2 laser. Under no account should anyone look directly into the laser beam or the laser beam exit aperture, irreversible damage to the eye may occur. The laser should not be operated when there are personnel in the imager's field of view.

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- Carrying Case.
- Camera.
- USB PSU and International Adaptors.
- ◆ CD 61-846 Instruction Manual and ThermalVision™ 160 Software and Software Instruction Manual
- USB Cable (Camera to PC).
- Quick Start Guide.



2. Main Controls

2.1. Back



2.2. Front



2.3. Function Keys

Key 2

Key 1



Key 3

Key 4

The Function Key functions are indicated by the icons or text displayed on the screen above them. These functions vary according to the operating options chosen by the user.

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3. Getting started

3.1. Switching the camera on/off



Press the on/off button and hold it for two seconds to switch the camera on.

Press and hold for three seconds to switch the camera off.

After switching on, it will take up to 30 seconds for the infrared image to appear. The image will periodically freeze for one or two seconds while the camera re-calibrates itself. This is normal operation, and the time between these calibrations will increase as the operating temperature of the camera stabilizes.

3.2. Charging the battery



The camera's battery is charged via the USB port. A fully charged battery will last approximately 5 hours. A green LED indicates charging which turns to red when the battery is charged.

Note: When the camera is connected to a PC via the USB cable it switches off and the PC sees the SD card as an external memory.

3.3. Changing the battery







Open the lock on the battery cover and remove the cover



Remove battery.

Insert new battery, ensuring the terminal pads are towards the front of the camera.

Replace and lock the cover

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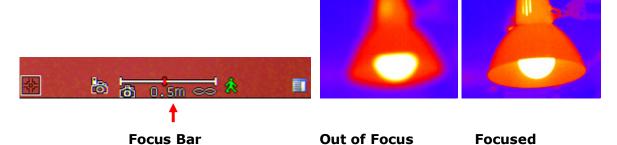


3.4 Focusing



Gently rotate the lens clockwise and counter-clockwise to focus the image.

Remember to remove the lens cap.



When focusing a focus bar appears on the screen to assist in focusing the image. It indicates the approximate distance in feet (in meters when °C is selected) of a focused target from the camera.

3.5. Saving an image



To save a live or frozen image, press the Save button once. If Caption Mode or Voice Annotation has been turned on, a text caption or voice annotation can be attached to the image (see section 6).

3.6. Temperature measurement

One of the key functions of a thermal imager is obtaining temperature information about the scene. The IDEAL 61-846 has a variety of measurement options to provide maximum flexibility.

The display of temperature values and related items depends on the combination of the measurement and display options selected. Temperature readings are displayed at the top of the display. In the default mode, a single reading in $\mathbb C$ indicates the temperature at the center point of the cursor. The other reading at the top of the display is the reflected temperature setting(see section 5.1.). The temperature range within the scene is indicated by a scale on the right hand side of the display.

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4. Function buttons



Pressing any of the Function Key buttons reveals the icons which indicate the functions of these buttons. A box around the icon for Function Key1 or Function Key2 indicates that this option is selected and this defines the operation of the navigation buttons. With the default settings, the key functions are as follows:

Function Key 1 toggles between Align Image and Cursor.

Function Key 2 cycles through Visible on/off, Auto/Manual, and Light on/off.

Function Key 3 toggles between Live and Freeze.

Function Key 4 opens the menu.

See appendix A2 for a full list of Function Key button functions.

4.1. Moving the cursor

- 4.1.1. Press Function Key 1 to toggle to the Cursor icon the emissivity value will be displayed at the top of the screen.
- 4.1.2. Use the left/right and up/down navigation buttons to move the cursor to the desired position.

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4.2. Image alignment

As the visible and thermal cameras are not co-axial the visible and thermal image may need to be aligned. This is usually required when moving to view objects at different distances.

- Press Function Key 1 (to toggle to the alignment icon ... 4.2.1.
- Use the up/down and left/right navigation buttons to align the thermal 4.2.2. and visible images.

Note The visible image is moved during alignment.

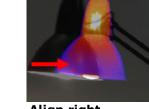
Examples of alignment.



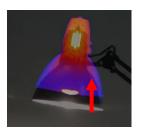
Fully Aligned



Align left



Align right



Align up



Align down

Four pre-programmed alignment distances are included. These are at 1.5ft, 3ft, 6ft and 12ft ranges. With the alignment option selected by function key 1, pressing the center navigation button once aligns at 6ft. Pressing the center navigation button repeatedly cycles through to 12ft, 1.5ft and 3ft.

Note: These values appear in Metres if °C is selected.

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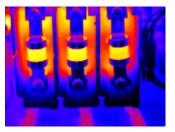


4.3. Turning the visible image off and on

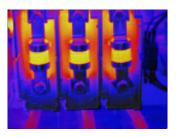
- 4.3.1. Press Function Key 2 Of to toggle to the Visible On icon
- 4.3.2. Press the center navigation button to toggle to Visible Off ...
- 4.3.3. Press the center navigation button again to toggle to Visible On ...

4.4. Thermal and visible image blending

The camera can show a thermal image, a visible image of the scene, a mixed blend of both visible and thermal, a thermal picture in the visible picture (PiP) and a blended version of the thermal image in the PiP.



100% thermal



25% visible 75% thermal



50% visible 50% thermal



75% visible 25% thermal



100% visible



Picture in Picture

- 4.4.1. Press Function Key 2 until the Visible On/Off icon appears 🗟 🗮
- 4.4.2. If off press the center navigation button to toggle to Visible On .
- 4.4.3. Use the up/down navigation buttons to merge (blend) the visible and thermal images. Repeatedly pressing the up button cycles through the options 0%, 25%, 50%, 75%, 100%, PiP.
- 4.4.4. In the PiP mode the thermal image can also be blended using the left/right navigation buttons.

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4.5. Manual control

The thermal image gain and offset are normally controlled automatically in order to give a meaningful display on the screen. However, Function Key 2 offers the option of switching to manual control if desired:

- 4.5.1. Press Function Key 2 to toggle to the Auto icon
- 4.5.2. Press the center navigation button to toggle to Manual or Persistent manual. If Persistent manual is selected, then the manual settings are stored. When the camera is switched on again, and Manual selected, the stored span and level settings are used.
- 4.5.3. Use the left/right navigation buttons to change the span of the displayed temperature range.
- 4.5.4. Use the up/down navigation buttons to change the level of the displayed temperature range
- 4.5.5. Press the center navigation button again to revert to Auto.

4.6. Light

There is a visible illuminator for use in poor ambient lighting:

- 4.6.1. Press Function Key 2 to toggle to the Light Off icon ...
- 4.6.2. Press the center navigation button to toggle to Light On ...
- 4.6.3. Press the center navigation button again to turn the light off.

It is advisable to turn the light on only when necessary in order to conserve battery power.

4.7. Image freeze

Pressing Function Key 3 freezes the both the infrared and the visible image. Pressing again reverts to a live image. The image save facility works with either a live or a frozen image, but once a frozen image has been saved the camera will revert to a live image.

4.8. Menu

Function Key 4 opens the menus. See section 5 for details of the menu structure.

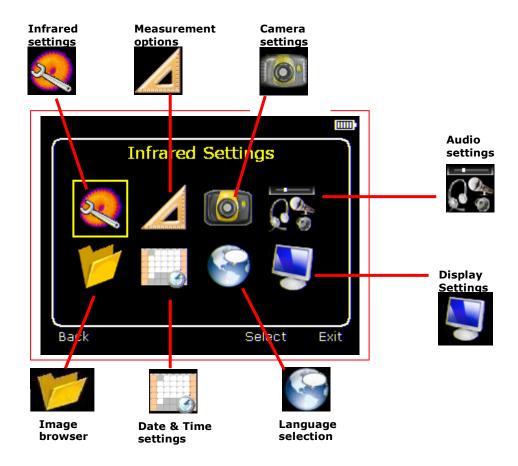
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5. Menu structure.



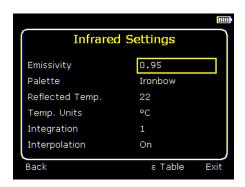
- Select the menu by pressing Function Key 4.
- Navigate through the menu using the navigation buttons and press Function Key 3 to select the required option. The highlighted item will have a box around it.
- Use the up/down buttons to move in the selected list and select the required item.
- Use the left/right buttons to change values and options for the specific item.
- Press Function Key 4 to exit or Function Key 1 to go back to the previous menu.



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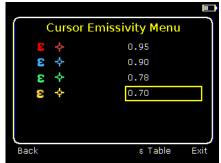
5.1. Infrared settings



♦ Emissivity

Set the emissivity value between 0.10 and 1.00 using the left/right navigation buttons.

Pressing Function Key 3 (ϵ Table) gives a table of emissivity values of common materials from which a selection can be made.



Note that if more than one cursor is selected, individual emissivity's can be assigned to each cursor.

◆ Palette

Display the image using different colour palettes.

Ironbow
 Rainbow
 Rainbow
 Rainbow 16
 Isotherm Style
 Hot Metal
 White Hot

◆ Reflected Temp

Set this to the ambient temperature to correct for reflected radiation when an emissivity of less than 1 is selected.

◆ Temp units

Choose between °C and °F.

◆ Integration

Chose an integration period from 1 (fast) to 4 (slow).

A longer integration time will reduce the noise in the image, but will slow down the response to moving images.

◆ Interpolation

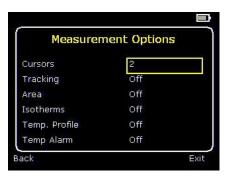
Choose Off or On.

This shows or hides the thermal image pixelation.

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5.2. Measurement options

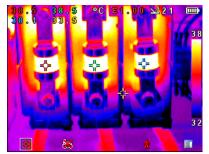


This menu enables the selection of options for temperature measurements. The symbols shown below indicate the icons shown for Function Key 1 when the various options are selected.

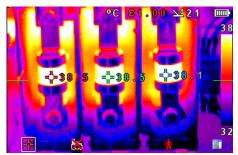
♦ Cursors

Choose from one to four cursors. When more than one cursor is selected, the temperatures of all the cursors are displayed in a table or are tagged next to the cursors (see section 5.8). When two cursors are chosen, the temperature difference between them is also displayed. When one of the cursors is selected by Function Key 1, it can be moved around on the display by the navigation buttons.

If two or more cursors are selected then individual emissivity values can be assigned to each cursor. When an emissivity less than 1.00 is selected for a cursor, then that cursor flashes on the screen.



Tabular temperature values



Tagged temperature values

◆ Tracking

Select "High", "Low", or "High & Low" in order to track and measure the hottest point, the coldest point, or both hottest and coldest points in the image.

Area

If this option is turned on, three different rectangular areas can be selected via Function Key 1. The maximum, minimum, and average temperatures within the designated area will be displayed in the top left hand corner of the display.

Note that the above three items are mutually exclusive, i.e. when one is turned on the other two are disabled.

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Isotherms

Select "High", "Low", or "High & Low" in order to highlight areas of the scene with temperatures within a high (red) or low (blue) temperature band. The temperature bands are adjustable by means of Function Key 1 and the navigation keys.



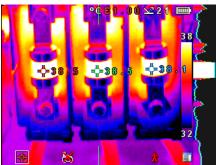
Red isotherm

Blue isotherm

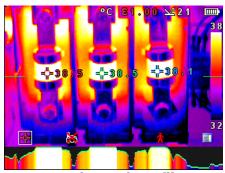
Combined isotherms

◆ Temp. profile

Select "Horizontal" or "Vertical" to enable a histogram of temperature values along a horizontal or vertical cross section to be displayed on the right hand side or the bottom of the display. The position of the cross section is indicated by small arrows at the left and right or top and bottom of the image and can be adjusted by means of Function Key 1 and the navigation buttons.



Vertical Profile



Horizontal profile

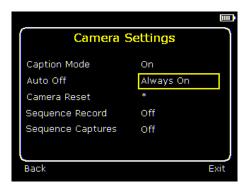
Temp alarms

Select "High", "Low", or "High & Low". Visual and audio alarms will be triggered if either cursor or a point within the designated area is higher or lower than a set temperature. The high and low set temperatures may be adjusted by means of Function Key 1 and the navigation buttons.

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5.3. Camera settings



◆ Caption mode

Select "On" to enable the addition of a text caption when saving an image. Options will then be displayed when saving an image, to be selected by means of Function Key 2 and Function Key 3.

Auto off

Select "5 Mins", "10 Mins", "20 Mins" to allow the camera to switch itself off after a defined period of inactivity in order to save power. There is also an "Always On" option.

◆ Camera reset

Select with Function Key 3 to restore the factory settings.

♦ Sequence Record

Select this to save a set of images of the scene. The images are saved to the micro SD card and an be saved at intervals of 5 Sec, 10 Sec, 20 Sec, 30 Sec, 1 Min, 2 Min, 5 Min, 10 Min, 20 Min, 30 Min, 1 Hour and on Alarm. The alarm setting works in conjunction with the high low alarm function. When the temperature in the scene exceeds the user defined high alarm threshold temperature an image is saved. Equally when the temperature in the scene goes below the user defined low alarm threshold temperature an image is saved.

♦ Sequence Capture

If sequence record is selected, then this option is switched on and allows the user to define the number of images to be saved. Choices available are 10, 50, 100, 500 and 1000 images.

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5.4. Audio settings



Imager sounds

Select "Off" to mute all audible outputs.

Voice annotation

Select "Individual" to add a voice message to each saved image.

Select "Session" to add a voice message at the start of a set of images (A session ends when the imager is switched off).

Select "Combined" to add a common voice message at the start of a set of images and add additional comments for each image.

♦ Voice playback

Select "speaker" or "headset" for the desired method of audible outputs.

♦ Volume

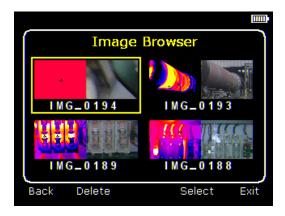
Select the volume of the audible outputs from 1 to 9.

If "Session" or "Combined" is selected the voice message is recorded before exiting the audio settings menu by pressing Function Key 3. Recording is stopped by pressing Function Key 3 again. Function Key 2 can be used to play back the recorded message. Function Key 3 can be used to re-record if necessary.

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5.5. Image browser



The saved images are shown on the screen with the most recently saved image first.

Select the desired image by means of the navigation keys.

To display the selected image press Function Key 3.

To delete the selected image press Function Key 2, to confirm deletion press Function Key 3.

When a stored image is displayed, press Function Key 3 to return to live imaging.

5.6. Date & Time settings



- a) Use the left/right buttons to navigate in this menu, the item that can be changed is highlighted in red. In the picture above the day (DD) 14 is highlighted.
- b) Use the up/down buttons to change the value.
- c) The date formats can be changed by pressing Function Key 2 to cycle through DD-MM-YYYY, MM-DD-YYYY and YYYY-MM-DD options. Pressing Function Key 4 will select the option on the display.

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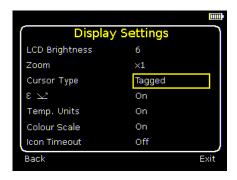


5.7. Language selection



To select a language move to the relevant flag. When the language is highlighted press Function Key 3 to select.

5.8. Display Settings



- ◆ LCD brightness Select from 1 (low) to 9 (high) to control the screen brightness to save battery power.
- ◆ Zoom Allows the user to digitally zoom into the image. Options are X2 and X4 zoom.
- ◆ Cursor Type Select how the cursor temperature values are to be displayed on the screen. The choice is between a tabular display or a tag next to the cursor.
- \bullet ϵ \blacksquare Choose whether or not to display the reflected temperature. Only applicable when emissivity is selected to be less than 1.
- Temp. Units.
 Choose whether or not the temperature units (°C or °F) are displayed on the screen.
- Colour Scale
 Chose whether or not the colour scale is to be displayed.
- Icon Timeout
 The Icons above the 4 Function Keys can be displayed either continuously or for
 10 seconds after a Function Key is pressed.

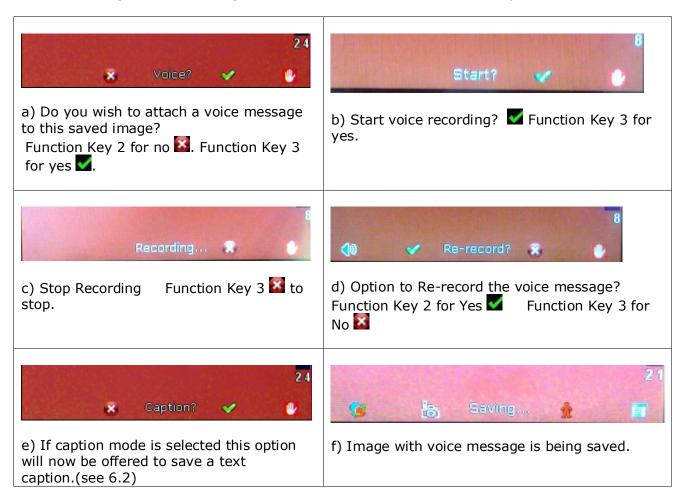
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6. Adding captions when saving images

6.1. Voice message

When saving an image with Individual Voice Annotation turned on, there is the option of saving a voice message with each image. The screen shots below describe the procedure:



Playback

The voice recording can be played back when viewing saved images in the browser.

Note: The abort Icon on Function Key 4.

Pressing Function Key 4 at any stage aborts the saving process.

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6.2. Text captions

When saving an image with Caption Mode turned on, there is the option of attaching a text caption to each image. The screen shots below describe the procedure:



a) Do you wish to attach a text caption message to this image? Function key 2 for No Function key 3 for Yes



b) Start Caption Entry



- c) Example of a Caption.
- Captions cannot be viewed with the saved images in the browser due to display constraints. The captions can be viewed using the PC software.

- 2. Use the up/down arrow buttons to cycle through letters and numbers until the one required appears. The available symbols are:
 - ABCDEFGHIJKLMNOPQRSTUVWXYZabcdefg hijklmnopqrstuvwxyz0123456789
- 3. Use the left/right arrow buttons to move to the next space and repeat the above step until the caption is completed.
- 4. Press Function key 2 to clear the whole message.
- 5. Press Function key 3 to save the image and caption.

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Appendix

A1. Emissivity Tables

Emissivity Look-up Tables in Camera

1.00	
0.98 = Human skin	
0.95	
0.94 = Paint, oil	
0.93 = Brick red	
0.92 = Concrete	
0.90 = Planed Oak Wood	
0.85	
0.80	
0.79 = Oxidized steel	
0.78 = Oxidized Copper	
0.76 = Sand	
0.75	
0.70 = Red Rust	
0.67 = Water	
0.65	
0.64 = Oxidized Cast Iron	

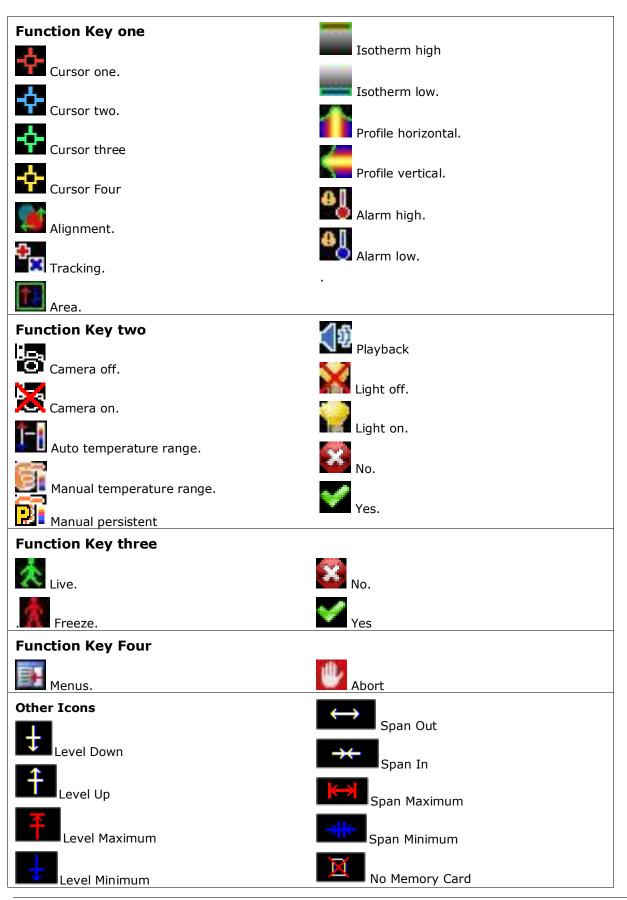
General Emissivity Look-up Tables

0.98 = Carbon filed surface	0.79 = Steel oxidized
0.98 = Frost crystals	0.78 = Copper heavily oxidized
0.98 = Human skin	0.77 = Cotton cloth
0.97 = Slate	0.76 = Sand
0.96 = Water distilled	0.75 = Unglazed silica
0.96 = Ice smooth	0.74 = Oxidized iron at 100°C
0.95 = Soil saturated with water	0.73 = Coating No. C20A
0.95 = Carbon candle soot	0.72 = Basalt
0.94 = Glass polished plate	0.71 = Graphitized carbon at 500°C
0.94 = Paint, oil	0.70 = Red Rust
0.93 = Brick red	0.69 = Iron sheet heavily rusted
0.93 = Paper white bond	0.67 = Water
0.92 = Concrete	0.66 = Black Loam
0.92 = Soil dry	0.65 = White cement
0.91 = Plaster rough coat	0.64 = Iron cast oxidized
0.90 = Wood planed oak	0.63 = Lead oxidized at 1100°F
0.90 = Glazed earthenware	0.62 = Zirconia on inconel
0.89 = Snow, granular	0.61 = Cu-Zn, brass oxidized
0.88 = Glazed Silica	0.58 = Inconel sheet at 760°C
0.87 = Cuprous Oxide at 38°C	0.56 = Smooth white marble
0.86 = Emery Corundum	0.55 = Al anodized chromic acid
0.85 = Snow	0.21 = Iron cast polished
0.85 = Stainless oxidized at 800°C	0.20 = Brass rubbed 80 grit emery
0.84 = Oxidised Iron at 500°C	0.16 = Stainless steel 18-8 buffed
0.83 = Cuprous Oxide at 260°C	0.09 = Aluminium as received
0.82 = Snow, fine particles	0.07 = Steel polished
0.81 = Brass, unoxidized	0.05 = Aluminium polished sheet
0.80 = Glass, convex D	0.05 = Copper polished
	0.03 = Brass highly polished

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A2. Full Icon List.



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A3. Technical specification

Performance

Field of View: 20° X 15°
Focus: Manual
Minimum Focus: 30cm

Spectral response: 8µm to 14µm

Thermal Sensitivity: NETD ≤80mK (0.08°C) @ 23°C ambient and

30°C scene temperature.

Detector: 160×120 Pixels uncooled microbolometer

Measurement

Temperature range: 14°F to +482°F (-10°C to +250°C)

Radiometry: Four moveable temperature measurement cursors giving automatic

temperature difference measurement and auto locking onto hottest and

coldest points

Emissivity Correction: User selectable 0.1 to 1.0 in steps of 0.01 with reflected ambient

temperature compensation. The four measurement cursors can have

individual emissivity values assigned to them.

Accuracy: The greater of $\pm 2^{\circ}$ C or $\pm 2^{\circ}$ of reading in $^{\circ}$ C for the operating

temperature range of -15°C to +45°C.

Display

3 ½" colour LCD with LED backlight with 8 color palettes

Thermal images or visible images or mixed thermal and visible images including picture in picture.

Electronic zoom (IR and visible): x2; x4; Image integration: Up to x4

Image Storage

Over 1000 images on supplied micro-SD card

Laser Pointer

A built in Class 2 laser is supplied to highlight the center of the thermal image. (Aligned at 6 feet)

Beam Divergence: <0.2mrad Maximum Output: <1mW

Imager power Supply

Battery: Rechargeable Lithium-Ion field replaceable battery with up to 5 hours

continuous operation; charge through the USB port

AC Operation: USB AC power adaptor supplied

Mechanical

Housing: Impact resistant plastic with over molded soft plastic.

Dimensions: 130mm X 95mm X 220mm

Weight: 0.8Kg

Mounting: Handheld & tripod mounting $\frac{1}{4}$ " BSW.

Settings and Controls

Auto/user selectable span and level control.

- Readout in °C or °F
- Four moveable temperature measurement cursors with individual emissivity values and temperature difference between two points.
- User selectable emissivity setting for each measurement cursor.
- Auto hot and cold seeking or hot only or cold only.
- User selectable reflected temperature compensation.
- Area analysis 3 options.
- X-Y thermal profiles.



- Isotherms with temperature difference.
- Voice and or text annotation.
- Image capture; time and date.
- Visual/audio alarm for above/below set temperature values.
- Palette selection.
- User selectable integration.
- Image fusion control: 0 to 100% adjustment on whole image and on picture in picture.
- Electronic zoom, x2 and x4.
- Multi-language options.
- · Battery power indicator.
- Image browser showing thumbnails and voice annotation playback.
- Time or Alarm sequence recording.

Interfaces

Data transfer direct from micro SD card or over USB.

Jack socket for headphones

Built-in microphone for voice annotation.

Sequencing of images (IR only) to the micro SD card

IDEAL 61-846 Includes

IR Camera, Handle, Battery, AC Adaptor, Quick Start Guide, Carrying Case, CD with User Manual and Software (Analysis and Report Writer)

Optional Accessories

Light shade, battery, desk top charger, car charger and hard carry case

Computer Requirements (for PC software)

IBM Compatible PC with one of the following operating systems: Windows XP, VISTA and Windows 7

Environment

Temperature:

Operating range: $5^{\circ}F$ to $+122^{\circ}F$ ($-15^{\circ}C$ to $+50^{\circ}C$) Storage range: $-4^{\circ}F$ to $+158^{\circ}F$ ($-20^{\circ}C$ to $+70^{\circ}C$) Humidity: 10% to 90% non-condensing

IP rating: IP54

CE mark (Europe)

Vibration: MIL-PRF-288000F

Class 2 section 4.5.5.3.1

Shock: MIL-PRF-288000F

Class 2 section 4.5.5.4.1

Drop test: MIL-PRF-288000F

Class 2 section 4.5.5.4.2

6 ft drop test (2m)

Recommended Calibration Cycle: Every 2 years



Warranty Statement

This tester is warranted to the original purchaser against defects in material and workmanship fro two years from the date of purchase. During this warranty period, IDEAL INUSTRIES, INC. will, at its option, replace or repair the defective unit, subject to verification of the defect or malfunction.

This warranty does not cover damage from abuse, neglect, accident, unauthorized repair, alteration, or unreasonable use of the instrument.

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