



Thank you for using an EXO™ Sonde for your environmental monitoring!

This document will assist with the initial steps required to use an **EXO Sonde**.

Refer to the EXO User Manual for:

- Part numbers and accessories
- Maintenance guidelines
- Sensor calibration instructions
- Connecting EXO to a Data Logger

Unpacking and Inspection

Inspect the outside of the shipping container(s) for damage. If you see any damage, contact the shipping carrier immediately.

Remove the equipment from the shipping box. Some parts are loose in the box, so check the packing material carefully.

Items Needed

Included in Packaging

- EXO Sonde
- Batteries*
- Battery cover wrench*
- Sensor tool with magnet (to activate *Bluetooth*®)
- Kor™ Software on USB flash drive

*Applies to EXO Sondes with a battery compartment only.

Not Included

- Sensors (Probes)
- EXO Handheld or PC running Kor Software
- USB cable and adapter, field cable, or EXO GO (sold separately)

Preparing Sonde for Use

To prepare the sonde for operation, you will need to:

- Install probes into the connector ports on the sonde bulkhead
- Install batteries
- Load Kor Software and drivers onto PC
- Connect sonde to EXO Handheld device or PC

Install Sensors

- 1. Remove buffer bottles and hydration caps on the sensors (if applicable).
- 2. Remove the calibration cup and guard from the sonde.
- 3. Remove port plugs and install the sensor onto the bulkhead. Start by finger-tightening each locking ring until snug. Then use the probe tool to give the locking ring another quarter turn until it is fully seated on the bulkhead. Be careful not to over-tighten or strip the port.

Ports are "universal," which means any sensor** can be plugged into any port.

The Central Wiper must be installed in the correct port to function properly:

- **EXO2** Port 7
- **EXO3** Port 5

** EXO NitraLED may only be installed on:

- **EXO2** Port 6
- **EXO3** Port 4



Install probes into the sonde bulkhead

Registration

Register your product online to activate your warranty and keep informed of software updates: **YSI.com/warranty**

Keep your serial number on file:

Date of purchase:

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Install Batteries (If applicable)

The EXO1 and EXO3 Sondes use two (2) D-cell alkaline batteries and the EXO2 Sonde uses four (4) D-cell alkaline batteries as the recommended power source. External power sources may be used and are necessary for sondes without a battery compartment.

Alternatively, the sonde may use rechargeable NiMH D-cell batteries (not provided). We recommend a NiMH D-cell battery with a minimum rating of 10,000 milliamp hours. However, due to variations in manufacturer capacity and discharge curves, deployment life cannot be estimated when using rechargeable batteries.

1. Remove the battery cover from the sonde:

EXO1: Twist the blue battery cover counterclockwise to unscrew, lift up to remove. Use included wrench to loosen, if necessary.
EXO2 / EXO3: Unscrew and remove battery cap. Use included wrench to loosen, if necessary.
Insert the batteries with negative (-)

- Insert the batteries with negative (-) terminals facing down toward the probes.
- 3. Replace the battery cover or cap and tighten until snug. **Do <u>not</u> overtighten.**



Remove battery cover/cap and install batteries

LED Indicators

When power is supplied to the sonde, two indicator lights will provide status updates. **Red LED** - Sonde State

- 0.1 Hz (10s Blink): Asleep, logging enabled
- 1 Hz (1s Blink): Awake
- **On Solid:** Awake with faults

Blue LED - Bluetooth

- On Solid: On, not linked 2 Hz (0.5s Blink): On, successfully linked
- Off: Bluetooth disabled

Communication Connect Sonde to Computer via USB Cable

- First, install Kor Software on your computer.
 Follow the prompts to install the new hardware and drivers.
- 2. Plug in the USB Signal Output Adapter to the top of the sonde.
- 3. Plug in the small end of the USB cable to the top of the adapter and the large end in a standard USB port on the computer.

The USB adapter provides a hardwired communications link to a PC as well as providing power to the sonde.



Connect sonde to computer with USB cable and adapter

via Bluetooth*

A computer must be equipped with an internal *Bluetooth* radio or use a *Bluetooth* dongle to establish a wireless connection to the sonde.

Activate *Bluetooth* by holding the included sensor tool with magnet at the magnetic activation area on sonde. *Bluetooth* is also activated when the sonde is power cycled. Once activated, the blue light will be on.



If not using cable, activate **Bluetooth** wireless communication with magnet

Troubleshooting Establish *Bluetooth* link (Windows OS)

- 1. Check your version of Windows for the proper method to pair a *Bluetooth* device to your PC.
- 2. When prompted, locate the sonde from the list. The sonde name should begin with YSI.
- Select "Enter the device's pairing code," and click Next. Enter the code 9876. Click "Next."
- 5. Select Finish.

Discover the Sonde in Kor

Upon startup, Kor Software will automatically detect any sonde connected by the USB adapter. If using *Bluetooth*, click on "Scan for Bluetooth Devices" to discover the activated sonde. Once connected via *Bluetooth*, the blue light on the sonde will blink.



Interface with the sonde using Kor

Connect Sonde to EXO Handheld via Field Cable

Press in the male 6-pin connector on the cable to the top of the sonde. Press in the female 6-pin connector on the cable to the bottom of the handheld, then screw down the retaining collars on each end. The handheld will automatically connect to the sonde upon startup.



Connect sonde to handheld with field cable

You are now ready to calibrate your sensors and start collecting data!



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