SENS ® SPOD VOC EMISSIONS & AIR POLLUTANT MONITOR

OPERATION & CONFIGURATION GUIDE

READ AND UNDERSTAND INSTRUCTIONS BEFORE USE.





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WARNINGS

Limited by lithium iron phosphate charging temperature. Lower temperature operation will require external or internal heating to maintain sufficient battery temperature for charge acceptance. Contact the manufacturer for more information.
When removing the sd card to obtain data, it is recommended to power off the sensor box prior to reinserting the sd card to avoid possible errors. If the system stops responding or any sd errors are observed after inserting an sd card, power down the sensor and turn it back on.
When installing the unit, ensure the weather sensor is pointing north. Failure to do this will result in error in the wind direction measured by the anemometer. The north direction is indicated with a notch on the ultrasonic anemometer base. Never rotate the anemometer from the top or severe damage will occur.
After verifying functionality, remove the usb cable. If planning to run in usb mode, install a power adapter or a solar panel for longterm deployment applications. Otherwise, power cycle the GAS•TRAC® FMD, then install a power adapter or a solar panel for long term deployment applications.
All accessories are to be used in an area known to be nonflammable.
DO NOT Disassemble the unit or change any parts without training or approval by sensit. If you wish to be certified for repairs, please contact sensit so coordination of training can occur.
The appliance is not to be used by persons (including children) with reduced physical, sensory, or mental capabilities, or lack of experience and knowledge, unless they have been given supervision or instruction.
PID Sensors are sensitive to high amounts of humidity and may rail at the upper output if humidity is excessive. The spod contains an internal sensor heater to minimize humidity interference.
If the unit has been off for an extended period, it could take several minutes to an hour for the pid readings to drop to normal operating conditions depending on storage conditions. This stabilization may temporarily interfere with voc detection. Exposure to very high levels of vocs may saturate the detector for several minutes to an hour

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GENERAL IINFORMATION

OVERVIEW	PARAMETER	
Weight	Base Unit: 6.75 lbs	
Dimensions	Fully assembled with anemometer & antenna D x W x H (6" x 8" x 16")	
Mounting	Attached mounting flanges	
Voltage Requirements	18V – 24V DC Charging (wired adapter or solar panel)	
Current Requirements	2A max current draw when charging	
Operating Runtime	3-5 days battery backup ¹	
Operating Temp	-10°C to 50°C ²	
Data Outputs	• Digital wired output (3.3V TTL - USB)	
	• Wireless (4G IoT Cellular Included) ²	
	Optional analytics on server ⁴	
	• SD card data backup ⁵	
Standard Kit	• USB Adapter	
	• Charging Cable	
Optional Accessories	• Solar Panel	
	• Tripod	
	• Ultrasonic, 3D, or Analog Anemometer	
	Outdoor Power Supply	
	Canister Valve Controller	
	• Expansion Battery Pack	
	Particulate Matter Sensor	

DESCRIPTION

The SENSIT[®] SPOD is an advanced and cost-effective air quality emission monitoring sensor system powered by solar energy. It combines wind and air pollutant concentration measurements to detect VOC emission plumes and locate the source of emissions accurately.

The SENSIT[®] SPOD has a small footprint and an intuitive interface that makes it easy to use. Therefore, it is perfect for applications within the fence line where localized emissions may be present. With its Next Generation Emissions Monitoring (NGEM) sensor, the SENSIT[®] SPOD provides real-time continuous monitoring and direct reading.

Moreover, the SENSIT[®] SPOD can be combined with automated sample collection hardware. To collect evacuated canisters for later quantitative analysis. This feature makes it a versatile tool for professionals in various industries who require accurate and reliable air quality emission monitoring data.

APPLICATIONS

- Oil and Gas Production Fugitive and Process Emissions
- Municipal Government Services Hazardous Pollutants/Nuisance Odors
- Industrial Health, Safety, & Compliance Industrial Site Fenceline Emissions Monitoring
- Environmental Ground-level Ozone Precursors
- Emergency Response Spills, Leaks, Explosions

SENSORS INFORMATION

SENSOR	DETECTION METHOD	LAMP ENERGY (EV)	RANGE (STANDARD)	ACCURACY (STANDARD)	RESPONSE TIME (STANDARD)
ION-HS	PID	10.6	10-3000 ppb*	+/- 20 ppb min or 20%	30-60 sec
ION-XF	PID	10.6	0.1-30 ppm*	+/- 0.2 ppm min or 20%	30-60 sec
ION-10.0	PID	10	0.5-100 ppm*	+/- 1 ppm min or 20%	30-60 sec
ION-11.7	PID	11.7**	1-100 ppm*	+/- 5 ppm min or 50%	30-60 sec
MOS	Metal Oxide	-	Variable	-	15-30 sec
со	Electrochemical	-	100-2000 ppm	+/- ppm min or 50%	60-90 sec
PM2.5	Laser Scattering	-	1-1000 µg∕m3	+/- 10 μg min or 50%	15-30 sec

*Range defined as PPB Isobutylene * Reduced lifetime for high energy lamp (-3 month)

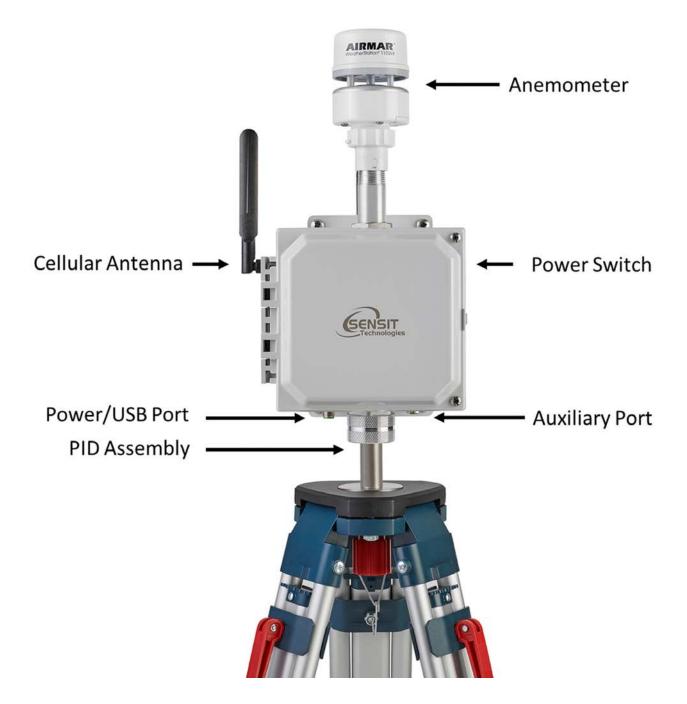
CELLULAR SPECIFICATIONS

OVERVIEW	PARAMETER	
Network Technology	4G CAT M1 and Cat 4, and NB-IoT available.	
Carrier	AT&T (recommended), Verizon, T-Mobile	
Transport Layer	TCP	
Internet Layer	IP	
Application Layer	HTTP and MQTT	
Data Transfer Method	HTTP POST or MQTT Topics	
HTTP Content Type	application/x-www-form-urlencoded	
HTTP Body Field Identifiers	&ID, &MODULE, &STAT, &DATA	
MQTT Content Type	JSON	
MQTT Tags	"deviceId", "time", "iodb"	
Post Location	Adjustable in Menu	
APN	Adjustable in Menu	
TLS/SSL	HTTPS and MQTTS with server authentication ³	

NOTES:

- 1. 4G CAT M1 and NB-IoT as well as 4G Cat 4 option
- 2. AT&T is default/preferred
- 3. Client authentication possible with additional development

SENSOR EXTERIOR FEATURES (FRONT EXTERIOR)



SENSOR INTERIOR FEATURES (FRONT INTERIOR)



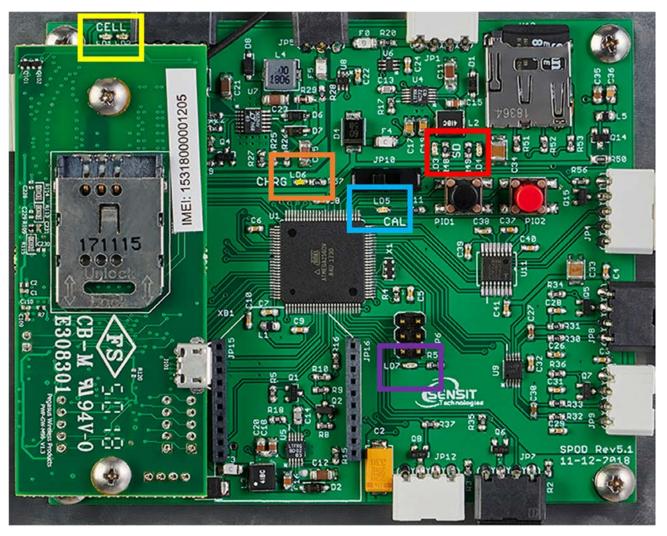
RED: Connectors BLUE: Ground Planes GREEN: Modem (uFL designators described below). International version: (left to right) M – Primary LTE, G - GPS, and D - secondary or directivity.



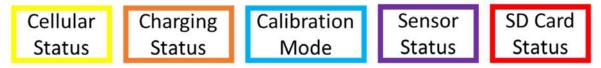
North American version: (left to right) M – Primary LTE, D - secondary or directivity, and D/G - GPS.



SENSOR INTERIOR LED INDICATION



NOTE: Depending on the revision of circuit board that is in your unit, the identifiers will be different numbers for the LEDs. They are in the same location for each category listed below.



Cellular Status: Red LED if failure, Green LED if successful Charging Status: Green LED if Charging Calibration Mode: Solid/Flashing Blue LED in Calibration Sensor Status: Red LED if initialization failure (PID or Weather Station) SD Card Status: Red LED if failure, Green LED if successful

DEPLOYMENT GUIDE

WARNING DO NOT immediately deploy the spod without going through the initial quick start guide.

INCOMING INSPECTION

WARNING Conduct in a controlled setting (laboratory or office).

1. Unpack the sensor unit and check for any physical damage or obstructions at the sensor openings, power button, or communication ports (See images below)



- 2. Open enclosure cover and check for any loose components. Make sure all connectors are securely fastened.(Shown on page 7 in RED).
- 3. Check to make sure all ground planes are properly connected. (Shown on page 7 in BLUE).
- 4. Ensure antenna / GPS connections are established on the modem ordered. (Shown on page 7 in GREEN).
- 5. You are now ready to begin QUICK START setup.

QUICK START (WITH COMPUTER)

1. Install wireless antenna (if equipped) with cellular or local wireless module.



2. Connect the USB cable between the SPOD a n d computer to establish the communication link in the terminal software (NOTE: See HARDWARE AND SOFTWARE INSTALLATION GUIDE FOR USB CA-BLE section for more information.)



3. Power on unit by pressing the power button.



4. Verify that the proper startup sequence occurs, the SD card was detected, and initialized. If you wish to enter the ROOT MENU type 'YES'. Below is an example of the startup sequence (NOTE: Depending on your configuration, some settings may be different).

Sensor ID: Without MET	SPOD09005
System DATE,	03/23/22 15:21:03
Network Time:	Enabled, Local
Battery Voltage:	13.81
Power Source:	Solar Power
Output Mode:	Streaming, Standard SD Rate
Communication Mode:	Cellular, Unlocked
Network Selection:	LTE Cellular
Protocol:	CSV Periodic HTTP Always On with TLS
Output Data Rate:	60
Cellular Output Ratio:	2
Server Address:	https://api.sensitconnect.net/sensors-data/addSensorsData
Access Point Name:	zipitwireless.com.attz
GPS Mode:	Disabled
PID1 Hours:	763
Sensor Heater:	Enabled
Temp Set:	30
Dew Point Control:	Disabled
PID1 Offset(ppb):	0.00, Constrained
SD Card Detected	SD Card Initialized
Enter Configuration Mod	e? (YES)

10 9 87654321

5. Configure the unit to your preferred settings. Configuration mode allows access to configuration settings and system settings. The menus are all text-based and easy to follow. The table below contains all the adjustable within the menu. If you are configuring your unit, please see the (DETAILED ROOT MENU INFORMATION) section for additional information.

MENU ITEM	DESCRIPTION	LOCATION
Cellular	Common setting	Root Menu
Default	System Default Settings	Root Menu
Display	Prints Current Settings	Root Menu
GPS	GPS Settings	Root Menu
Heat	Sensor Heater Settings	Root Menu*
Baseline	Sensor Offset Setting	Root Menu*
Output Sensor	Output Behavior	Root Menu
Power	Power Settings Root Menu*	
PID	PID Sensor Setting Root Menu*	
Time	Time Setting Root Menu	
System	System Setting	Root Menu*
Sample	Sample Collection Setting	Root Menu
Trigger	Sample Trigger Settings	Root Menu
Exit	Exit Menu	Root Menu

6. Type 'EXIT' from the ROOT MENU for data collection to begin. Ensure that PID, anemometer (if installed), GPS (if enabled), and HTTP connection are properly initialized. Additionally, it may take up to 30 seconds for the ultrasonic anemometer to report valid environmental data. Below is an example of proper data, See: (REFERENCE - USB OUTPUT HEADINGS AND DESCRIPTION) for additional information.

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Pesting PID 1...Complete
Powering On Anemometer...Complete
Powering On GPS...Waiting For GPS Fix...GPS Signal Acquired
Initializing HTTP Connection...Please Wait...Initialization Successful
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7. Verify the sensor outputs are reasonable or trending toward reasonable values keeping in mind the stabilization time for the sensors.

SPOD01049, DATE, 10/02/23 13:47:09 PID1, 671.79, 774.29, 7, 21.40, RH, 55.30, P, 995.00, NS, 1.20, ND, 110.10, 7C, 2457, 30, 2451, SATT, 13.10, CHRG, 0.00, RUN, 109.14, TRIG, 6, 6, 6, 6, 101, 0.00000, LAT, 0.00000, CRC, 1953533736

8. Verify that the PID sensor is reading positively when in presence of VOCs. If the value is 'O'after calibration and gas is present, there may be an issue with the sensor.

),PID1,671.79,774.29,

 Verify that T, RH, WS, and WD are reading the current temperature, relative humidity, wind speed, and wind direction IF an MET is installed. IF a digital MET is installed, verify that P is reading the current pressure. Analog and 3D MET's do not record pressure. These units will not change if there is no MET.

T,21.40,RH,55.30,P,995.00,WS,1.20,WD,110.10,

10. Verify that BATT is at an appropriate battery voltage. If the battery is charging, CHRG will change showing the charging current. If you are charging and CHRG remains '0', there may be an issue with the battery.

,BATT,13.10,CHRG,0.00,

11. Verify that the LAT and LON readings correspond to the latitude and longitude of the unit. These will only change IF GPS is enabled.

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), LAT, 0.00000, LON, 0.00000,
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12. Your unit is now ready for deployment. Please see the (DEPLOYMENT INSTRUCTIONS) section for additional and optional setup steps. Make sure to pack and transport the SPOD to the deployment site properly and safely.

QUICK START (NO COMPUTER)

1. Install wireless antenna (if equipped) with cellular or local wireless module.



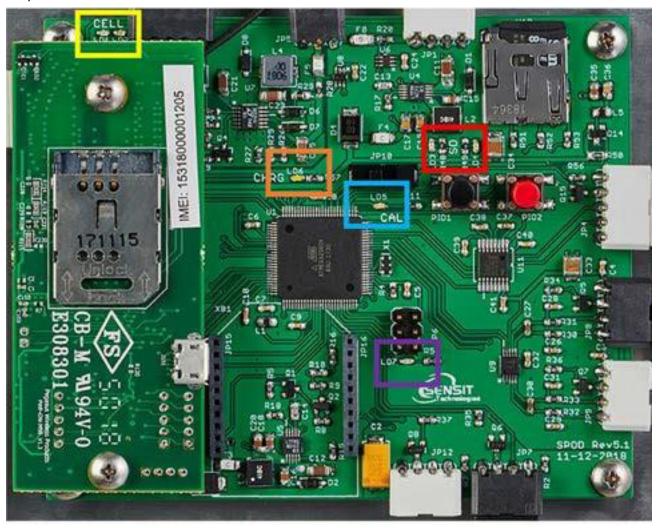
2. Connect the USB cable between the SPOD and computer to establish the communication link in the terminal software (NOTE: See HARDWARE AND SOFTWARE INSTALLATION GUIDE FOR USB CABLE section for more information.)



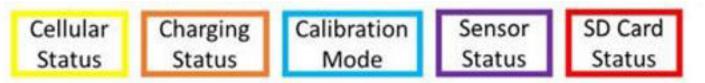
3. Power on unit by pressing the power button.



4. Verify that the SD card was detected and initialized with the SD status LEDs



NOTE: Depending on the revision of circuit board that is in your unit, the identifiers will be different numbers for the LEDs. They are in the same location for each category listed below.



Cellular Status: Red LED if failure, Green LED if successful Charging Status: Green LED if Charging Calibration Mode: Solid/Flashing Blue LED in Calibration Sensor Status: Red LED if initialization failure (PID or MET) SD Card Status: Red LED if failure, Green LED if successful

5. Verify the absence of sensor errors with sensor status LED:

NORMAL STARTUP: LED solid for 5-10 seconds, brief off period followed by "Normal Flash (see below)"

SD CARD ABSENT OR ERROR: 250 msec on/250 msec off (e.g. rapid blink on and off) after the solid LED after pushing power button

HARDWARE ERROR: The following flash patterns are indicated for 1 minute following startup. This

blink pattern is repeated every 6 seconds and is mirrored on sensor status led inside SPOD housing.

- 1 blink = PID Lamp 1 > 10000 hours
- 2 blink = PID Sensor 1 Voltage Error
- 3 blink = PID Lamp 2 > 10000 hours (Only for Dual Sensor Design)
- 4 blink = PID Sensor 2 Voltage Error (Only for Dual Sensor Design)
- 5 blink = Ultrasonic Anemometer Error
- 6 blink = Canister Communication Error (expected canister controller but wasn't found)
- 6. If HTTP or MQTT protocol is selected verify successful initialization after startup with Cellular status. If cellular connection fails, there will be diagnostic code in the beginning. These codes will be repeated on the cellular status led inside the enclosure. If PERIODIC protocol is used wait for the required amount of time before cellular post.
 - 1 blink = General Error, Host Address Error
 - 2 blink = Communication Error
 - 3 blink = SIM card error (missing/not valid)
 - 4 blink = Cellular Registration Error
 - 5 blink = Data Connection Error
 - 6 blink = No response from server
 - 7 blink = MQTT authentication error
- 7. If the power is hooked up, wait for 1 minute after power up to verify the charging status LED is illuminated. Please note that if the battery is completely full the charging status LED will not illuminate.
- 8. After initialization is complete the illuminated switch will display the "Normal Flash" (During Operation): Double blink every ~1 second.

NOTE: Flash pattern during cellular post is more erratic and is associated with different times to send commands and receive response. If flash pattern looks different and you are concerned, it is recommended giving the sensor 30-60 seconds and see if the double blink starts again after the cellular post finishes.

9. Your unit is now ready for deployment. Please see the (DEPLOYMENT INSTRUCTIONS) section for additional and optional setup steps. Make sure to pack and transport the SPOD to the deployment site properly and safely.

DEPLOYMENT INSTRUCTIONS

WARNING Perform the following steps in the field 'on site' at the deployment location only.

- 1. Unpack the SPOD and all accessories that were observed in the inspection.
- 2. Mount the unit to the desired surface. If you are not mounting to a stationary surface, are using a SENSIT tripod, are using a solar panel, and/or an ultrasonic anemometer is installed; continue with the following steps.
- 3. If the unit is being installed on a tripod, follow the (TRIPOD SETUP AND INSTALLATION (OPTIONAL)) section.
- 4. If a solar panel is being installed, follow the (SOLAR PANEL SETUP & INSTALLATION (OPTIONAL)) section.

- 5. If the solar panel is being installed on the tripod, follow the (POLE MOUNT SOLAR PANEL SETUP & INSTALLATION (OPTIONAL)) section.
- 6. If the unit is being installed on the tripod, follow the (TRIPOD SETUP & ANCHOR KIT INSTALLATION (OPTIONAL)) section.
- 7. If an ultrasonic anemometer is installed on the unit, follow the (ANEMOMETER (IF INSTALLED)) section.
- 8. Power on unit by pressing the power button.



9. Ensure that the pump is running, and data is being gathered within the method of data collection of your choosing. The device is now operational.

TRIPOD SETUP AND INSTALLATION (OPTIONAL)

- 1. Remove protective rubber feet if installing outdoors
- 2. Install pole on tripod. Pole mounting attachment may differ from image below.
- 3. Set leg height of tripod and spread legs with a minimum of 30° from perpendicular
- 4. For added stability in high wind or long-term deployments place sandbags against all legs and step in feet down into the soil.

Catch tab with bag to hold down





- 5. Use the shorter $\frac{1}{4}$ " long screw to attach pole mount to back of SPOD
- 6. Use the longer 1 $\frac{1}{4}$ " long screw + nut to tighten on pole
- 7. Tighten sufficiently to prevent rotation
- 8. Place SPOD as far up as possible on pole to avoid blocking anemometer

NOTE: The images below are used for reference. SPOD appearance will differ slightly from image below.

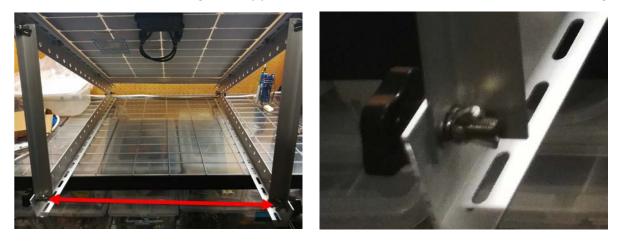


SOLAR PANEL SETUP & INSTALLATION (OPTIONAL)

- 1. Lift up on side with 2 knobs to unfold panel
- 2. Fold down angular supports on both sides and remove 2 knobs on bottom



3. Reattach knobs vertical angular supports on both sides (flat washer, lock washer, wing nut)



- 4. Place solar panel on ground and fasten to ground or add ballast if possible (recommended to avoid wind damage and theft)
- 5. Avoid shadowing on panel as much as possible as this will drastically reduce panel output power and efficiency
- 6. Route cable to SPOD unit
- 7. Plug cable into SPOD "Power/USB" connection
- 8. Power on SPOD unit

NOTE: Alternative solar mounts and solar panel extension cables can be purchased from Sensit. Please contact Sensit for more information if your application requires an alternative solar mounting setup.

POLE MOUNT SOLAR PANEL SETUP & INSTALLATION (OPTIONAL)

- 1. Place solar panel on tripod leg or another suitable pole.
- 2. To place on tripod open worm gear clamps and install as shown below. Note that desired tripod height should be set prior to fully tightening worm gear clamp as adjustments are difficult after the clamp is tightened.

3. Lift panel mount up to keep panel off the ground. If high weeds or deep snow are present, consider increasing height off the ground.

4. Adjust angle according to season and latitude or if heavy snowfall is anticipated. To adjust angle, loosen the 4 bolts until the panel can tilt up and down freely. After the correct angle is set, tighten the 4 bolts fully.

- 5. Avoid shadowing on panel as much as possible as this will drastically reduce panel output power and efficiency
- 6. Route cable to SPOD unit
- 7. Plug cable into SPOD "Power/USB" connection
- 8. Power on SPOD unit







TRIPOD SETUP & ANCHOR KIT INSTALLATION (OPTIONAL)

- 1. Adjust tripod to desired height by flipping up red lever and pulling out legs to desired height. The optimal angle for tripod stability is in the range of 60-65 degrees with respect to the ground
- 2. Remove protective rubber feet from tripod legs



3. Step feet into the ground fully. If setting up a tripod on a hard surface and the legs cannot be stepped into the ground it is necessary to use weights (e.g. sandbags, blocks, etc.) to prevent the legs from moving or tipping over. SENSIT is not liable for damage due to improper tripod mounting.



4. Screw in earth anchor in the center of tripod footprint and thread ratcheting rope through anchor as shown. The 2 metal hooks should attach to tripod legs as shown and a loop of rope should go around the remaining leg passing through the eyelet at top of anchor.







ANEMOMETER (IF INSTALLED)

 When installing the unit, ensure the alignment notch of the weather sensor is pointing North (see image below). Failure to do this will result in error in the wind direction measured by the anemometer. The North direction is indicated with a notch on the ultrasonic anemometer base. Never rotate the anemometer from the top or severe damage will occur.

CAUTION: To accurately measure the wind direction and humidity, the alignment notch on the Weather Station Instrument must be pointed correctly.

- Moving -The alignment notch must point forward and be parallel to the centerline.
- Stationary surface-It is recommended that the alignment notch point toward true north.
- 2. Tighten or align the Weather Station Instrument by grasping the lower housing below the reflector plate. Hand tightens only.
 - Do not rotate the cap. Turning It may sever internal connections and void the warranty.

CAUTION: If you use a thread lock, use Teflon pipe-thread tape. Do not use a liquid thread lock as it may weaken the plastic, causing it to swell and crack. CAUTION: The Weather Station Instrument must be installed upright and vertical, not tilted to one side. It must be level and plumb. If the Weather Station Instrument is tilted from the horizontal plane, it may introduce errors in the compass and wind readings.

CAUTION: The reflector plate and the waterproof film found in the wind channel of the Weather Station Instrument are essential to its operation. Be careful not to scratch the plate, puncture the film, or damage them in any way.





Install MET (Notch must point North)

3D (left) Analog (middle) Ultrasonic (right)

USB OUTPUT HEADINGS AND DESCRIPTION

USB HEADING	DESCRIPTION	UNITS/FORMAT
SPOD	Serial Number	1000-63535
DATE	Local Date and Time	MM/DD/YY HH:MM: SS (24H)
PID1	Field 1, Sensor 1 VOC	РРВ
	Field 2, Sensor 1 Raw	mV
PID2 ¹	Field 1, Sensor 2 VOC	РРВ
	Field 2, Sensor 2 Raw	mV
Т	Temperature	°C
RH	Relative Humidity	%
Р	Pressure	mBar
WS	Wind Speed	m/s
WD	Wind Direction	Degrees
TC	Field 1, Sensor 1 Temp	Arb Units
	Field 2, Heater 1 Output	0 = Off, 255 = Fully On
	Field 3, Sensor 1 Setpoint	Arb Units
	Field 4, Sensor 2 Temp ¹	Arb Units
	Field 5, Heater 2 Output ¹	0 = Off, 255 = Fully On
	Field 5, Heater 2 Setpoint ¹	Arb Units
BATT	Battery Voltage	Volt
CHRG	Charging Current	mA
RUN	Operating Current	mA
TRIG	Field 1, Port Status	*See Below for All Fields*
	Field 2, Trigger Flag	
	Field 3, Active Flag	
	Field 4, Sample Flag	
LAT ²	GPS Latitude	Degrees
LON ²	GPS Longitude	Degrees
CRC	Checksum	Data Integrity Bytes

FIELD 1 (PORT STATUS)

BIT NUMBER	DESCRIPTION
7 (MSB)	Port 4: Collected = 1, Not Collected = 0
6	Port 3: Collected = 1, Not Collected = 0
5	Port 2: Collected = 1, Not Collected = 0
4	Port 1: Collected = 1, Not Collected = 0
3	Port 4: Installed = 1, Not Installed = 0
2	Port 3: Installed = 1, Not Installed = 0
1	Port 2: Installed = 1, Not Installed = 0
O (LSB)	Port 1: Installed = 1, Not Installed = 0

FIELD 2 (TRIGGER STATUS)

BIT NUMBER	DESCRIPTION
7 (MSB)	Not Used
6	Not Used
5	Not Used
4	Wind Only Trigger
3	Combo, High Wind Speed
2	Combo, Med Wind Speed
1	Combo, Low Wind Speed
O (LSB)	Threshold Trigger

FIELD 3 (ACTIVE PORT)

BIT NUMBER	DESCRIPTION
7 (MSB)	Not Used
6	Not Used
5	Not Used
4	Not Used
3	Port 4: $On = 1$, $Off = 0$
2	Port 3: $On = 1$, $Off = 0$
1	Port 2: $On = 1$, $Off = 0$
O (LSB)	Port 1: $On = 1$, $Off = 0$

FIELD 4 (EVENT STATUS)

BIT NUMBER	DESCRIPTION
7 (MSB)	Event 4: Complete = 1, Not Complete = 0
6	Event 3: Complete = 1, Not Complete = 0
5	Event 2: Complete = 1, Not Complete = 0
4	Event 1: Complete = 1, Not Complete = 0
3	Event 4: Started = 1, Not Started = 0
2	Event 3: Started = 1, Not Started = 0
1	Event 2: Started = 1, Not Started = 0
O (LSB)	Event 1: Started = 1, Not Started = 0

DETAILED ROOT MENU INFORMATION

MENU ITEM	DESCRIPTION	LOCATION
Cellular	Common Setting	Root Menu
Default	System Default Settings	Root Menu
Display	Prints Current Settings	Root Menu
GPS	GPS Settings	Root Menu
Heat	Sensor Heater Settings	Root Menu*
Baseline	Sensor Offset Setting	Root Menu*
Output	Sensor Output Behavior	Root Menu
Power	Power Settings	Root Menu*
PID	PID Sensor Setting	Root Menu*
Time	Time Setting	Root Menu
System	System Setting	Root Menu*
Sample	Sample Collection Setting	Root Menu
Trigger	Sample Trigger Settings	Root Menu
Exit	Exit Menu	Root Menu

CELLULAR: Contains all settings associated with the cellular modem. This is required for communication with any online servers.

DEFAULT: Resets all options to the factory default. Not recommended without consulting SENSIT. This will remove all custom settings including cellular information.

DISPLAY: Displays all current settings in the terminal window. An example print out is shown below. Please note that system settings may differ from device to device depending on the application.

Sensor ID: SPOD09005 Without MET System DATE,03/23/22 15:21:03 Network Time: Enabled, Local Battery Voltage: 13.81 Power Source: Solar Power Output Mode: Streaming, Standard SD Rate Communication Mode: Čellular, Unlocked Network Selection: LTE Cellular Protocol: CSV Periodic HTTP Always On with TLS Output Data Rate: 60 Cellular Output Ratio: 2 Server Address: https://api.sensitconnect.net/sensors-data/addSensorsData Access Point Name: zipitwireless.com.attz GPS Mode: Disabled PID1 Hours: 763 Sensor Heater: Enabled Temp Set: 30 Dew Point Control: Disabled PID1 Offset(ppb): 0.00, Constrained

GPS: "ENABLE" or "DISABLE" the GPS. Depending on the cellular data protocol and output mode, the user may be presented with additional options. If cellular output is disabled or if PERIODIC protocol is selected the GPS mode will default to SINGLE (see below). If cellular output is enabled **and** MQTT or HTTP protocol are enabled the user can select between the following GPS settings:

"CONSTANT": GPS is always on and fixing position (Highest power draw) "INTERVAL": GPS turns on at and interval determined by "RATIO"x"ODR" "SINGLE": GPS turns on at power up and remains off until system is reset

OUTPUT: This menu contains settings that modify the output characteristics of the sensor.

SAMPLE: Control the behavior of the auxiliary port. The port is configured to supply power to a sample collection system if trigger conditions are met.

TIME: Set the system date and time. If cellular is available and automatic date and time is enabled, this will happen automatically when the device connects. Note that the initial data may have the wrong date and time until the clock adjusts.

TRIGGER: Define the required environmental conditions to trigger sample collection.

EXIT: Leave the root menu and starts system operation

MENU ITEM	DESCRIPTION	LOCATION
APN	Carrier APN Setting	Cellular Menu
Credentials	MQTT Username and Password	Cellular Menu
Host	Server Location Address	Cellular Menu
Network	Cellular Network Configuration	Cellular Menu
Protocol	Data Transfer Protocol	Cellular Menu
Ratio	Number of Samples to Buffer	Cellular Menu
Signal	Apply settings and check signal	Cellular Menu
TLS	Activate TLS, Load Server Cert	Cellular Menu
Topics	MQTT Topics	Cellular Menu
Exit	Exit Cellular Menu	Cellular Menu

DETAILED CELLULAR MENU INFORMATION

APN: Set the required APN for data access on the installed sim card. Please note that the APN text entry might be case sensitive for your network provider.

BAND: Select and scan available bands to verify cellular connection and select most suitable band. Also features CARRIER band selection in the United States for AT&T, T-Mobile, and Verizon. This is an advanced feature and is not recommended to be used without guidance of SENSIT.

CREDENTIALS: Set the required USERNAME and PASSWORD required for MQTT data access. This menu will prompt the user to type "USERPASS" or "AZUREHUB". To manually configure username and password type "USERPASS". If using Azure IoT hub, type "AZUREHUB" to send SAS token. The SPOD will parse the relevant connection parameters from the SAS token. The SAS token must have the following parameters to be accepted:

SharedAccessSignature sr=<HOSTNAME>%2Fdevices%2F<DEVICEID> &sig=<URI of the resource being accessed, HASH > &se=<Token Expiry Time, Epoch Time>

HOST: Set the server address to send the data to. The target server must be configured to accept the data.

NETWORK: Define network behavior of the cellular module. AUTO mode is enabled by default and under most circumstances will work well. If required it is possible to force the modem to only look for "CAT M1", "GLOBAL", "NB IoT", or "2G" service instead of scanning for all network options. It is required to run "SIGNAL" option after adjusting network settings. Contact Sensit for more information and do not make changes to this parameter unless directed.

PROTOCOL: Set the cellular data communication protocol to the following options:

"DATATYPE": Select CSV or JSON data packet to be communicated over wireless data connection. JSON tag delimeters can be provided by SENSIT. JSON datatype not supported by SENSITConnect.

- "HTTP": Transfers data using HTTP Post protocol constantly at interval determined by the output data rate (ODR)
- "MQTT": Transfers data using MQTT publish constantly at interval determined by the output data rate (ODR)
- **"PERIODIC"**: Buffers data according to the "RATIO" setting at the output data rate. After the required number of samples has been collected the modem will turn on, post all data, and then turn off. The interval of cellular cycles is determined by "ODR" x "RATIO"

RATIO: Set the number of required samples between cellular cycles for the "PERIODIC" cellular protocol. This value also influences GPS signal acquisition interval for certain modes. See information of GPS for more info.

SIGNAL: Acquire cellular signal strength and network registration status. This option also programs the modem with any changes to the NETWORK mode. After 10-15 seconds the serial terminal should display "CSQ: A, B REG Status: C, D,E" Data Status: F"

Advanced cellular network information will follow if applicable. A description of A, B, C, D, E, and F follows below.

A: (0-31,99) defines the signal strength

B: (0-7, 99) defines the data error rate

C: (0-5) defines the general network registration status

D: (0-5) defines GPRS network registration status

E: (0-5) defines LTE network registration status

To form a data connection, D and/or E must show a registration status of 1 or 5

F: ONLINE/OFFLINE Indicates if unit can make data connection.

Unit must show ONLINE for it to transmit data via cellular. SIGNAL check should be completed before deployment.

A VALUE		
CSQ	DBM	MEANING
0	<-113	Absolutely no Signal
1	-111	Very Weak Signal
2-10	-109 to -93	Weak Signal
10-20	-81 to -73	Moderate Signal
21-30	-71 to -53	Strong Signal
31	>-51	Very Strong Signal
99	Ś	Unknown/Not Detected

B VALUE	MEANING
0-3	Reliable Data Link 4-5
4-5	Occasional Dropped Posts
6-7	Unreliable Data Link
99	Unknown/Not Detected

C, D, E, VALUE	MEANING
0	Not registered, Not Searching
1	Registered Successfully
2	Not registered, Searching
3	Registration Denied
4	Unknown Status
5	Registered Successfully, Roaming

TLS: Enable or disable TLS encryption for HTTPS or MQTTS. For TLS authentication the user must load a root certificate file for the server on the microSD card. Prior to version 6.00 it was necessary to load a certificate file on the SD prior to enabling TLS. The certificate file must be named "CACERT.CER". If TLS is enabled the terminal should display:

TLS Enabled...Waiting to Load Cert Deleting Old Files Loading New Cert From SD Cert File Found +QFUPL: 1311,3f41

OK

Please note that the values after "+QFUPL" are different for different certificate files. The first number is the number of bytes, and the second number is a checksum. The same cert file should always generate the same number of bytes and checksum. If errors are observed verify that the certificate file is loaded on the microSD card and properly named. For versions 6.00 and later it is not necessary to load a certificate file on the SD card and the "Loading" message above is not displayed.

TOPICS: Set the publish and subscribe topic used for MQTT cellular protocol.

EXIT: Leave the cellular configuration menu and enter the root menu

DETAILED OUTPUT MENU INFORMATION

MENU ITEM	DESCRIPTION	LOCATION
Mode	Output Mode Settings	Output Menu
ODR	Data Rate Setting	Output Menu
POLL	Output When Polled (any char)	Output Menu
STREAM	Output Continuously	Output Menu
SD	SD Rate and Format	Output Menu
EXIT	Exit Output Menu	Output Menu

MODE: Sets the communication mode of the SPOD. The following options are possible:

"Cellular": Sends data with cellular modem at ODR and USB/Power port every 1 seconds "USB": Sends data with USB/Power Port every 1 seconds and turns of wireless "WiFi": Sends data with WiFi modem at ODR and USB/Power port every 1 seconds "XBEE": Sends data with XBEE (optional) at ODR and USB/Power port every 1 seconds

ODR: Sets the output data rate of the cellular modem or XBEE wireless device. The USB port will always show data output at 1Hz

POLL: Disable streaming over USB/Port and XBEE. SPOD will return data when receiving any character from control device.

STREAM: Continuous USB and XBEE data output at 1Hz.

SD: Select SD data rate and format card.

"RATE": How fast data is saved to the SD card

'STD': Saves SD data at same frequency as cellular data.

'FAST': Saves SD data at maximum speed. WARNING: produces very large data files and increases the likelihood of SD corruption.

"FORMAT": Used to recover from card corruption errors. All data will be lost during format. If card fails to initialize during format, it should be replaced.

EXIT: Leave the output configuration menu and enter the root menu

DETAILED TIME MENU INFORMATION

MENU ITEM	DESCRIPTION	LOCATION
AUTOTIME	Enable/Disable Autotime	Time Menu
TIMEZONE	Select LOCAL or UTC Time zone	Time Menu
SET	Set Date and Time	Time Menu

AUTOTIME: Autotime sync uses the network time provided by the cellular module if available. For some cellular network SIM card combinations, the provided time can be incorrect and should be disabled to avoid time errors.

TIMEZONE: "LOCAL" or "UTC" The time can be reported as local time according to the location of the device or UTC time.

SET: Allows user to manually set date and time. The indicated format must be followed exactly with no exceptions and all numbers must be padded with O's as required. The specified format is:

MM/DD/YY HH:MM:SS (e.g. 01/01/20 00:00:01)

DETAILED SYSTEM MENU INFORMATION

MENU ITEM	DESCRIPTION	LOCATION
CAL	Adjust Calibration	System Menu
HEAT	PID Heat Settings	System Menu
MET	MET Settings	System Menu
POWER	Set Power Mode	System Menu
SENSOR	Set/Reset Sensor Info	System Menu

CAL (Previously BASELINE): Adjustment of the PID sensor zero/baseline up or down by a constant value or automatic baseline adjustment to track baseline downward as sensor ages.

"**AUTOMATIC**": SPOD will detect mV readings below the programmed zero mV and automatically adjust the baseline down to avoid negative voltage readings. This setting will not adjust the baseline upward.

"CALADJ": Used to provide offset and/or slope correction to the calculated sensor data.

"CONSTRAIN": Used to limit the minimum sensor value to 0 and not allow negative readings.

"**DISPLAY**": View calibration values. This may also reprint all SPOD settings including the PID Offset value/settings for older version of firmware

"**SENSITIVITY**": Program in sensitive value used to convert mV to ppb.

"**ZERO**" (Previously MANUAL): Set new mV value for sensor zero. This is required when replacing the PID with a new or rebuilt PID prior to calibrating the SPAN reading.

HEAT: Adjust "CONSTANT" or "HUMID" heat settings. The "CONSTANT" setting means that the sensor heater is always on if enabled. The "HUMID" setting means that the sensor heater is on only if humidity exceeds a predefined threshold. If either option is enabled the user will be prompted to adjust the heater setpoints and for the "HUMID" option, the user will be prompted to adjust the humidity set point. Both options could be enabled simultaneously to produce different heater setpoints depending on the humidity level. "CONSTANT" heat is enabled by default at 15°C above ambient.

MET: Enable, disable, or turn MET detection to AUTOMATIC. If MET detection fails it is recommended to enter this menu, disable MET, enable MET, and then restart SPOD. This menu also provides the ability customize the MET filter period to smooth out wind data.

POWER: Select "SOLAR" and "AC" power. If "SOLAR" is selected the unit will try to charge the batteries whenever power is present. If "AC" is selected the system will maintain the battery voltage in the middle of its range to extend battery life. It is very important that "SOLAR" is selected for remote power application.

SENSOR (Formerly PID): Allows the user to manually "SET" the number of PID operating hours, "REPLACE" a sensor and reset the hour counter or define the "ERROR" threshold in mV for a sensor error and set the "TYPE" of sensor installed (PID or MOS).

MENU ITEM	DESCRIPTION	LOCATION
SAMPCONFIG	Configure Sampler	Sample Menu
SAMPDELAY	Sample Delay Time	Sample Menu
SAMPRESET	Reset Sampler Status	Sample Menu
SAMPTEST	Manually Test Sampler	Sample Menu
SAMPTIME	Sample Acquisition Time	Sample Menu
SAMETYPE	Type of Sampler	Sample Menu
EXIT	Exit Sample Menu	Sample Menu

DETAILED SAMPLE MENU INFORMATION

SAMPCONFIG: WARNING, this will erase sample configuration and will need to go through programming the following steps. The system will prompt for all canister locations. (e.g. 123 or 1,2,3 or Port 1 Port 2 Port 3, it doesn't matter). It will show the ports that have been selected and will next prompt the user to define sampling events up to the number of canisters present. Please note a single event could be to trigger a single canister or it could be to trigger multiple canisters. Type the canister(s) you want to trigger first and continue until all canisters have been accounted for. NOTE: You must program events, or no sampling can take place.

SAMPDELAY: This option is used to program a delay after startup where events are ignored. This is helpful if sensor has been shut down or was exposed to high VOC concentrations. This will let the sensor stabilize before triggering any samples. This will also allow bump tests after powering up and will avoid unintentional sample acquisition.

SAMPRESET: This option is used to reset a canister status after changing the canister. The user will be prompted to type the port number that requires a reset. (e.g. 123 or 1,2,3 or Port 1 Port 2 Port 3, it doesn't matter).

SAMPTEST: This option is used to verify communication with the valve controller and test valves opening and closing. Recommended prior to any deployment. The system will prompt the user to type "'P#:1' to Open Valve 'P#:0' to Close Valve 'TEST#:1' for Pressure On 'TEST#:0' for Pressure Off (#=1,2,3,4) or EXIT" For example to manually open Port 1 the user would type "P1:1" and to manually close Port 1, the user would type "P1:0". If a pressure sensor is installed the user can test using the "TEST" command to output the pressure in PSI like to the port test command.

SAMPTIME: Sets the duration of the sample grab. Adjustable between 1-100,000 seconds. This is adjustable for every single port location. This could be due to different canister sizes or sample flow rates.

SAMPTYPE: This option defines the type of sampling, "DIRECT, NONE, PRESSURE, or TIME". "DIRECT" would be a non-latching valve hooked directly up to the auxiliary port. This requires a 12V valve and is switched with a 3.3V digital output. Valve must be isolated from SPOD. "NONE" is no sampler hooked up. This should be selected if not using a sampler to avoid and initialization error upon startup. "PRESSURE" is configured to allow the valve controller to hook up a pressure sensor to monitor canister pressure and stop sampling at a predefined threshold (-2.5 PSI) and is only relevant for deployments with pressure sensors.

For pressure sampling, the SAMPTIME setting becomes a timeout value and the sampling will cease if the timeout is reached. "TIME" is sampling for a given amount of time as defined by SAMPTIME.

EXIT: Leave the sample configuration menu and enter the root menu.

DETAILED TRIGGER MENU INFORMATION

MENU ITEM	DESCRIPTION	LOCATION
TRIGCONFIG	Configure Trigger Settings	Trigger Menu
TRIGTYPE	Set Trigger Type	Trigger Menu
THRESHTYPE	Set Threshold Behavior	Trigger Menu
EXIT	Exit Trigger Menu	Trigger Menu

TRIGTYPE: This option allows the user to define the type of trigger that is used to initiate a sampling event. The most basic trigger is the "THRESHOLD" option which will trigger on a set PPB level for a set time. The "WIND" option triggers using wind direction and wind speed only. The "COMBO" option uses both Wind Direction/Speed and PPB level. Lastly the QUADRANT option (Must have 4 independent canisters. Samples designated canister for North, East, South, and West).

TRIGCONFIG: Settings for the given "TRIGTYPE". For THRESHOLD it is ppb value and the time above the threshold. For WIND it is the minimum windspeed and direction range. For COMBO there are 3 Ranges for the combination trigger "LOW", "MED", "HIGH". Every windspeed range can have different direction ranges and concentration thresholds and all ranges must be programmed. Carefully follow the prompts.

THRESHTYPE: This menu will first prompt user to enable average array. With average array enabled, the SPOD will calculate a true average of SPOD data. With average array disabled, the SPOD will only count the amount of time the data is above the threshold. If the array is enabled, the array size can be set from 1-60. The measurement averaging time is calculated according to the array size multiplied by the output data rate. For instance, if the output data rate (ODR) is set to 60 seconds and the array size is set to 15, the measurement averaging time is 60*15 = 900 seconds.

After the average array behavior is set, the SPOD will prompt triggering based on RAW or PPB readings. If RAW readings are used the threshold will be in mV and if PPB readings are used the threshold will be in ppb.

Finally, the SPOD will prompt the user to select a STATIC or DYNAMIC threshold. If a STATIC threshold is selected, the trigger level is absolute with respect to zero. If DYNAMIC threshold is selected, the trigger threshold is with respect the background concentration over a user selectable period ranging from 10 – 3600 seconds. This threshold setting allows triggering on small, fast-moving signals while subtracting out slower moving diurnal trends. If DYNAMIC is selected, the user is prompted to set a "Static Limit". The static limit is an absolute limit that disregards background subtraction.

EXIT: Leave the trigger menu and enter the main menu.

SENSOR MAINTENANCE AND CALIBRATION

PERIODIC MAINTENANCE: The SPOD is a low maintenance device and is designed to operate remotely with no user intervention. Occasional inspections for damage and cleanliness are recommended to maintain optimum performance.

SENSOR CALIBRATION: Depending on application requirements and environmental conditions, periodic calibrations may be required to maintain target accuracy. Contact Sensit for ordering calibration gases, calibration hardware, and calibration instructions.

Required Materials:

- Black USB Configuration Cable
- Laptop with Cool term or another serial terminal program
- Zero gas (Ultra zero air, Low VOC) with constant flow regulator
- □ Span Gas (1000 ppb Isobutylene) with constant flow regulator
- □ Rubber calibration cap with Luer connection (Pictured Below)



1. Remove the power cable. NOTE: During calibration, power cannot be directly applied to the SPOD unit. The calibration procedure is performed using the battery installed in the device.



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🕖 avrdude.exe	1/17/2017 4:00 AM	Application
FWUPLOAD.bat	3/20/2018 4:04 PM	Windows Batch File
🔊 libusb0.dll	10/3/2018 1:44 PM	Application exten
QuickStart Instructions.txt	3/18/2019 10:03 AM	Text Document
SPOD_v5.57.hex	5/27/2020 10:07 PM	HEX File

2. After removing the power cable, hook up the USB cable to your computer and the SPOD unit making sure to match up the 4 pins and notch of the cable to the SPOD. NOTE: when plugging in the black

USB cable it will reset the SPOD unit. To prevent resetting of the SPOD use the black USB cable with the included gray patch cable.



3. Power on the SPOD unit. NOTE: The unit must be allowed to run for 3 minutes before any calibration commands will be acknowledged.



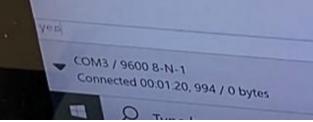
4. Open CoolTerm on your PC. This will allow the SPOD and computer application to communicate. NOTE: A download link to CoolTerm can be found at the end of this document.



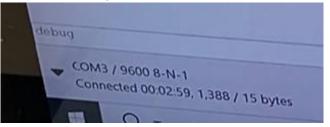
5. Click on the "Connect" Icon.



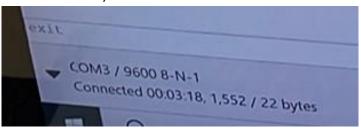
6. On the Command line type "Yes" then click on the return key within the 10-second countdown then click the return key.



7. Type "Debug" then click on the return key.



8. Type "Exit" then click on the return key.



- 9. Expose the SPOD to ambient air for a minimum of 3 minutes. NOTE: It is recommended this be conducted outside.
- 10. Check the readings on your computer. The readings next to PID1 is the number you are observing. It may take several minutes more if you are in a location with a highly volatile organic compound background.

22:09:16, PID1, 1084.58, 872.66, T, SPOD01284, DATE, 07/13/23 22:09:1	26.40, RH, 49.50,	72.00, T, 26.40, RH, 49.00, P, 1020.00, W: 72.22, T, 26.40, RH, 49.10, P, 1020.00, W: 72.38, T, 26.40, RH, 49.20, P, 1020.00, W: 72.53, T, 26.40, RH, 49.30, P, 1020.00, W: P, 1020.00, WS, 0.30, WD, 204.70, TC, 2580 872.81, T, 26.40, RH, 49.60, P, 1020.00, W: P, 1020.00
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11. After the reading is stable, type on the command line "Zero1". The reading will be zero.

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SPOD01284, DATE, 07/13/23 22:06:4	5, PID1, 0.00, 165.3
SFOD01284, DATE, 07/13/23 22:06:4	6, PID1, 0.00, 165.
SPOD01264, DATE, 07/13/23 22:06:	7, PID1, 0.00 165.
SPOD01284, DATE, 07/13/23 22:06:	48, PID1, 0.00, 165.
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12. Connect the isobutylene calibration gas to the SPOD using the calibration cap. NOTE: Push the cap on fully to minimize the dead air space around the sensor. Be aware the cap is not airtight. The gas will flow out around the sides of the cap during the calibration.



- 13. Allow for gas flow of the span gas and wait for the sensor reading to stabilize in isobutylene. NOTE: This may take up to three minutes.
- 14. After the reading is stable, send the command "SPAN1:1000". 1000 references the concentration in parts per billion of isobutylene used to calibrate the instrument. NOTE: If you use a concentration of 500 parts per billion then you would enter "SPAN1:500".

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- 15. Remove the cap and shut off the gas flow.
- 16. Disconnect serial communication between the SPOD and your PC.



17. Reconnect the power cable to the SPOD.



NOTE: If you do not have zero gas you have several options.

For firmware version 6.00 and higher, you can apply and OFFSET or ZERO adjust zero level

- Offset the baseline to bring multiple units into better agreement or remove background. To manually offset, enter the MENU + SYSTEM + CAL + CALADJ + OFFSET Enter desired offset in PPB.
- Manually set the zero-level based on raw mV data. To manually adjust, enter the MENU ↓ SYSTEM ↓ CAL ↓ ZERO Enter desired zero level in mV.

For firmware version 5.57 to 5.99, you can apply and OFFSET or MANUAL adjust zero level

- Offset the baseline to bring multiple units into better agreement or remove background. To manually offset, enter the MENU + BASLINE + OFFSET + Enter desired offset in PPB.
- Manually set the zero-level based on raw mV data. To manually adjust, enter the menu ↓ BASLINE ↓ MANUAL ↓ Enter desired zero level in mV.

For firmware versions 5.56 and lower, you can apply MANUAL offset adjustment

• Offset the baseline to bring multiple units into better agreement. To manually offset, enter the menu ↓ BASLINE ↓ MANUAL ↓ Enter desired offset in PPB.

IMPORTANT NOTE: The "MANUAL" option has a different behavior in the newest firmware (5.57 or newer) and is replaced by "ZERO" in versions 6.00 and above. MANUAL/ZERO is used to set the raw mV value corresponding to zero and OFFSET is used to add or subtract a PPB value to the calculated sensor value

For any firmware version, you can:

- 1. "zero" in clean background but this could result in a more frequent occurrence of negative or zero concentration readings. To zero in clean air, allow the sensor to stabilize and type "ZERO1" after unit has been running for at least 3 minutes
- 2. Enable "autobaseline". This will adjust the sensor baseline down when PPB readings are below zero level. To turn on "autobaseline", enter the menu SYSTEM + CAL + AUTOMATIC

SENSOR REPLACEMENT

The PID sensor assembly is designed to be field replaceable. Sensit recommends factory service when replacing the sensor to ensure overall sensor performance. To replace the sensor, follow these steps:

1. Remove the threaded aluminum cap at bottom of SPOD. Retain the threaded cap, screen, and black/ beige plastic spacer. Inspect for cleanliness. Clean all parts in mild detergent and dry if necessary.



2. Grasp front of sensor and pull straight out. Separate and retain foam thermal insulation from PID sensor. Return sensor for exchange credit.



3. Install new sensor being extremely careful to align all pins. Please note the position of the 3 large sockets on circuit board in relation to the 3 alignment holes on the plastic holder. After reinstalling sensor, reinstall foam. Do not install foam first as it will obstruct the view of the small pins on the perimeter of the sensor. The sensor will insert easily and should be held securely. Do not force the sensor as this will bend the pins and require factory service.



- 4. Reinstall aluminum cap fully. Ensure spacer is installed with widest diameter flat edge facing the sensor and the conical point facing the screen. The spacer will prevent overtightening and ensure no direct contact with metal screen to prevent wicking of condensed moisture.
- 5. Power up sensor and observe sensor status during startup with USB cable. Take note of any errors or successful initialization of the PID. The raw millivolt reading should be above 50mV. Any lower

readings indicate an error with the sensor.

6. Allow sensor to run for 48 hours before attempting calibration for burn in and stabilization.

SENSOR FIRMWARE UPDATE

FIRMWARE UPDATE: Units connecting to the SENSITConnect platform can update over the air once updated firmware and bootloader have been installed. Information on manual firmware and bootloader update can be found in this section.

Main Unit Firmware Upgrade

Required Materials:

- □ Black USB Configuration Cable
- □ Laptop with Firmware Tools
- Power down SPOD and hook up black USB cable. Use coolterm to determine the COM port number of the USB cable. (e.g. COM34). After determining port number make sure coolterm connection is disconnected (i.e. only one program can control serial port)

COM34 / 9600 8-N-1 Disconnected

2. Open firmware folder provided by Sensit. Verify the correct version of the HEX file is found inside the folder.

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J avrdude.conf	1/17/2017 4:00 AM	CONF File	471 KB
🕖 avrdude.exe	1/17/2017 4:00 AM	Application	513 KB
😥 FWUPLOAD.bat	3/20/2018 4:04 PM	Windows Batch File	1 KB
🔊 libusb0.dll	10/3/2018 1:44 PM	Application exten	43 KB
QuickStart Instructions.txt	3/18/2019 10:03 AM	Text Document	1 KB
SPOD_v5.57.hex	5/27/2020 10:07 PM	HEX File	377 KB
🔊 UploaderImages SPOD.pdf	3/18/2019 10:00 AM	Adobe Acrobat D	171 KB

3. Power on SPOD and double click the "FWUPLOAD.BAT" file. A cmd window will open and prompt for a COM port. Type in the com port number determined from coolterm (e.g. "COM34" or "com34")

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libusb0.dll	10/3/2018 1:44 PM	Application exten
QuickStart Instructions.brt	3/18/2019 10:03 AM	Text Document
SPOD_v5.57.hex	5/27/2020 10:07 PM	HEX File

- 4. The cmd window will show the progress of the firmware upload. The program will perform 3 steps:
 - a. Read device type and configuration (< 1sec)
 - b. Write new firmware (~40 seconds)
 - c. Verify new firmware (~40 seconds)

- 5. The program should report all bytes verified and show no errors. If any errors are found verify the following:
 - a. Cable hooked up
 - b. No other programs using serial port
 - c. SPOD turned on
- 6. Close cmd window and connect using coolterm. Firmware should report new version number during startup.
- 7. Type "YES" to enter menu when prompted
- 8. Type "UPGRADE". The SPOD will print out "**Upgrade Parameters Sent**". Any addition UPGRADE commands will result in "**Upgrade Already Performed**"
- 9. Follow any other instructions provided by Sensit. There is a quickstart instructions text file found in uploader folder for easy reference.

HARDWARE INSTALLATION GUIDE FOR AVR PROGRAMMER

- 1. Download firmware tools provided by Sensit
- 2. Plug in blue USB programmer into computer and let windows attempt to install the driver. Most often, windows either fail to find the driver or installs the wrong driver.
- 3. Open "Zadig" utility
- 4. If Windows failed to install a driver, the "mkII" should show up in the drop-down list. You will need to select it and click install the "libusb-win32" driver (please note version may be newer).
- 5. If Windows managed to install some driver, you will need to select "Options" and click "List All Devices". Now the mkII should show up. Select the mkII and replace or upgrade the driver with "libusb-32" (please note version may be newer).
- 6. It is recommended to unplug the programmer and restart the computer but might not be necessary
- If installed correctly the programmer should show up as "libusb-win32 devices -> AVRISP mkII" inside the device manager. If you see any error inside device manager or a different name do not proceed until the driver issue is resolved.

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1. 1) Download drivers for FTDI Serial Adapter and install drivers

https://gasleaksensors.com/products/sensit-spod

2. Open serial terminal program of your choice. CoolTerm is recommended and instructions for using CoolTerm are found below. CoolTerm is available for Windows, Mac, and Linux. CoolTerm can be downloaded for free from here:

https://gasleaksensors.com/products/sensit-spod

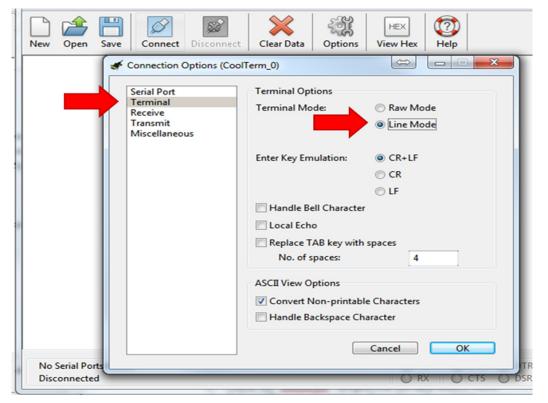
- 1. Extract 'Software_CoolTerm' to the directory of your choosing. To avoid certain permissions issues do not extract into "Program Files". It is recommended to extract to the desktop if possible.
- 2. Open the 'CoolTerm' application. You may receive an error indicating that no serial ports are found depending on what is hooked up to the computer. Click okay to continue.



- 3. Click 'Options' as shown below
 - a. 'Serial Port' options should open by default. If not, select Serial Port options from the list of available options as shown below. All default options should be correct but please verify. Click on 'Port' dropdown list and make note of any available ports. Plug in the USB cable and wait for hardware installation to finish. Click "Re-Scan Serial Ports". The newly added port is the USB cable. Select this port.

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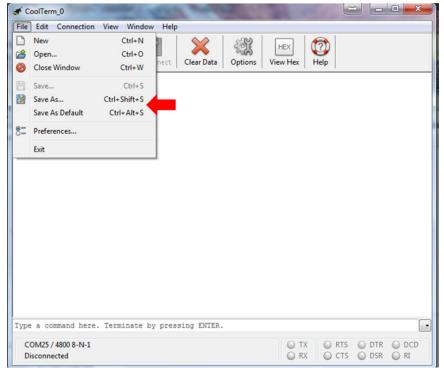
b. Select 'Terminal' options from list of available options and select 'Line Mode' as shown below. Line mode adds a text entry bar at the bottom of the screen that is useful for sending commands to the connected sensor.



c. Select 'Receive' options from list of available options and check "Ignore Receive Signal Errors". Selecting this option reduces the possibility of the serial connection closing upon a received serial error such as connecting or disconnecting the cable or power cycling the unit.

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Serial Port Terminal Receive Transmit Miscellaneous	Ferm_0) Receive Options Loop back received data Ignore receive signal errors Receive Buffer Size: 10000
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COM25 / 9600	Cancel OK

- 4. To avoid having to configure the terminal every time you open it, you have 2 options to save the configuration as shown in Figure 4.
 - a. Click "Save As" and save the connection settings as a file that you can share or store on the computer
 - b. Click "Save As Default" to change these settings to the default settings when starting the program. If you are running off the CD this option will give you an error as there is no default file.



- 5. Coolterm can be configured to record all data received over serial. This will be useful for evaluation purposes.
 - a. To start a capture, go to 'Connection' dropdown menu → Capture to Textfile → Start or hit Ctrl-R (ૠ-R). Enter a file name and click save.
 - b. To stop the capture, navigate back to the menu entry and click stop or hit Ctrl-Shift-R (#-Shift-R)

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