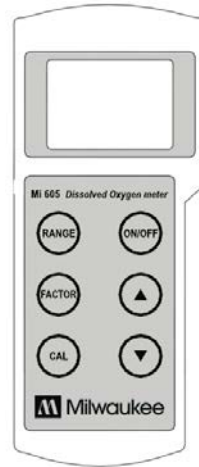


**USER MANUAL**  
**MI 605**  
**Portable**  
**Dissolved Oxygen Meter**



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If the Platinum cathode is tarnished or stained, which could be due to contact with certain gases or to an extended use with a loose or damaged membrane, it should be cleaned.

Use a clean lint-free cloth and rub the cathode very gently side to side 4-5 times. This will be enough to polish it and remove any stains without damaging the Platinum tip.

Afterwards, rinse the probe with deionized or distilled water and install a new membrane cap using fresh electrolyte and follow the steps above. Recalibrate the instrument.

**Note:** To obtain accurate and stable measurements, it is important that the surface of the membrane be in perfect condition. This semipermeable membrane isolates the sensor elements from the environment, but allows oxygen to enter. If any dirt is observed on the membrane, rinse it carefully with distilled or deionized water. If any imperfections still exist, or any damage is evident (such as wrinkles or tears-holes), replace the membrane. Make sure that the O-Ring is properly seated in the membrane cap.

**Note:** If don't take measurements for a few hours, protect the probe with the supplied cap.

### **BATTERY REPLACEMENT**

When the battery becomes weak, the meter will display the blinking battery symbol to indicate that only about 10 hours of battery life remain. A low battery will result in unreliable measurements. It is recommended to replace the battery immediately by using an alkaline 9V battery.

Turn the meter off, unscrew the two screws on the rear of the instrument, remove the cover and replace the 9V battery with a new one. Install the battery while paying attention to its polarity and reattach the cover.

## **WARRANTY**

This instrument is warranted against defects in materials and manufacturing for a period of two years from the date of purchase. Probe is warranted for 6 months. If during this period the repair or replacement of parts is required, where the damage is not due to negligence or erroneous operation by the user, please return the parts to either distributor or our office and the repair will be effected free of charge.

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

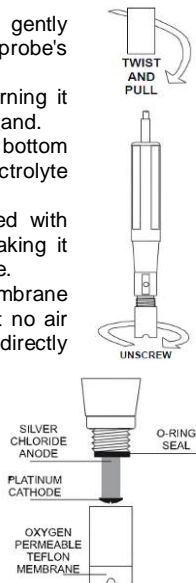
## PROBE & MEMBRANE MAINTENANCE

The D.O. probe body is made of reinforced plastic for maximum durability.

A thermistor temperature sensor provides temperature measurements of the tested sample. It is always recommended to keep the protective cap on the probe when not in use, to protect it against damage and dirt.

**To replace the membrane** or refill it with electrolyte, proceed as follows:

- Remove protective cap by gently twisting and pulling it off the probe's body.
- Unscrew the membrane by turning it counterclockwise with the other hand.
- Wet the sensor by soaking the bottom 2.5 cm of the probe in electrolyte (**MA9071**) for 5 minutes.
- Rinse new membrane supplied with meter with electrolyte, while shaking it gently. Refill with clean electrolyte.
- Gently tap the sides of the membrane with the finger tip to ensure that no air bubbles remain trapped. Do not directly tap the bottom with the finger as this will damage the membrane.
- Make sure that the rubber O-ring is seated properly inside the membrane cap.
- With the sensor facing down, screw the membrane cap clockwise. Some electrolyte will overflow.



## SPECIFICATIONS

<b>RANGE</b>	0.0 to 45.00 mg/L (ppm) O <sub>2</sub> 0.0 to 300 % O <sub>2</sub> 0.0 to 50.0 °C
<b>RESOLUTION</b>	0.01 mg/L (ppm) O <sub>2</sub> / 0.1 %O <sub>2</sub> 0.1 °C
<b>ACCURACY (@25°C)</b>	± 1.5% F.S. (mg/L O <sub>2</sub> / %O <sub>2</sub> ) ± 0.5 °C
<b>TYPICAL EMC</b>	± 0.3 mg/L (ppm) O <sub>2</sub> / ± 3.5 %O <sub>2</sub>
<b>DEVIATION</b>	± 0.5 °C
<b>CALIBRATION</b>	Automatic in saturated air
<b>TEMPERATURE COMPENSATION</b>	Automatic, from 0 to 50°C
<b>ALTITUDE COMPENSATION</b>	0 to 4000 m; 100 m resolution
<b>SALINITY COMPENSATION</b>	0 to 80 g/L; 1 g/L resolution
<b>PROBE MA840</b>	(included)
<b>ENVIRONMENT</b>	0 to 50°C; 100% RH max.
<b>BATTERY TYPE</b>	1 x 9V alkaline (included)
<b>BATTERY LIFE</b>	approx. 100 hours of use
<b>AUTO-OFF</b>	after 4 hours of non-use
<b>DIMENSIONS</b>	200 x 85 x 50 mm
<b>WEIGHT</b>	280 g (with battery)

## ACCESSORIES

<b>MA840</b>	D.O. probe
<b>MA841</b>	Spare membrane, 5 pcs
<b>MA9071</b>	Refilling Electrolyte solution, 230 ml

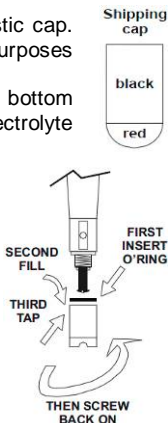
## INITIAL OPERATIONS

The meter is supplied with a 9V battery. Remove the battery compartment cover on the back of the meter and install the battery while paying attention to its polarity.

## PROBE PREPARATION

D.O. probes are shipped dry. To hydrate the probe and prepare it for use, connect it to the meter and proceed as follows.

1. Remove the red and black plastic cap.  
This cap is used for shipping purposes only and can be thrown away.
2. Wet the sensor by soaking the bottom 2.5 cm of the probe in electrolyte (**MA9071**) for 5 minutes.
3. Rinse the membrane (supplied with the meter) with electrolyte while shaking it gently. Refill with clean electrolyte.
4. Gently tap the sides of the membrane with the finger tip to ensure that no air bubbles remain trapped. To avoid damaging the membrane, do not tap the membrane directly on the bottom.
5. Place rubber O-Ring properly inside the membrane cap.
6. With the sensor facing down, screw the cap clockwise.  
Some electrolyte will overflow.

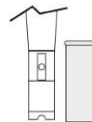


When not in use and during polarization, place the protective cap supplied with the meter.

## CALIBRATION PROCEDURE

Calibration is simple and is recommended every time the meter is switched on.

- Make sure the probe is ready for measurements (see Probe Preparation), i.e. the membrane is filled with electrolyte and the probe is connected to the meter and properly polarized.
- Switch the meter on by pressing the ON/OFF key.
- The "COND" message will be displayed for about 45 sec. to inform the user that the probe is in auto-conditioning mode (automatic polarization).
- Once "COND" disappears, the probe is polarized and the instrument can be calibrated.
- Remove the probe protective cap.
- Press CAL. "----" appears on the larger LCD together with "CAL" to indicate that the instrument is in calibration mode.
- The instrument will automatically standardize itself to the actual saturation value. After approx. 1 minute it will display "100%" to indicate that the calibration is complete.



### **Notes:**

- It is recommended to re-calibrate the meter whenever probe, membrane or electrolyte is changed.
- To exit the calibration mode, press CAL.
- Switching from readings in % O<sub>2</sub> to readings in mg/L does not require recalibration.

### **SALINITY COMPENSATION**

To enter salinity compensation, press the FACTOR key twice and the "SALT FACTOR" message will be displayed.

Use UP and DOWN keys to set the salinity between 0 and 80 g/L.



The meter will automatically compensate for salinity effects (see also following table for verification).

°C	Salinity (g/l) at Sea Level					°F
	0 g/l	10 g/l	20 g/l	30 g/l	35 g/l	
10	11.3	10.6	9.9	9.3	9.0	50.0
12	10.8	10.1	9.5	8.9	8.6	53.6
14	10.3	9.7	9.1	8.6	8.3	57.2
16	9.9	9.3	8.7	8.2	8.0	60.8
18	9.5	8.9	8.4	7.9	7.6	64.4
20	9.1	8.5	8.0	7.6	7.4	68.0
22	8.7	8.2	7.8	7.3	7.1	71.6
24	8.4	7.9	7.5	7.1	6.9	75.2
26	8.1	7.6	7.2	6.8	6.6	78.8
28	7.8	7.4	7.0	6.6	6.4	82.4

### **PROBE POLARIZATION**

The probe is under polarization with a fixed voltage of approximately 800 mV.

Probe polarization is essential for stable measurements with the same recurring degree of accuracy.

With the probe properly polarized, oxygen is continually "consumed" by passing through the sensitive diaphragm and dissolving in the electrolyte solution inside the probe.

If this operation is interrupted, the electrolyte solution continues to be enriched with oxygen until it reaches an equilibrium with the surrounding solution.

Whenever measurements are taken with a non-polarized probe, the oxygen level indicated is both that of the test solution as well as that present in the electrolyte solution.

This reading is obviously incorrect.

### **MEASUREMENTS**

Make sure the meter has been calibrated and the protective cap has been removed. Immerse the tip of the probe in the sample to be tested while ensuring that also the temperature sensor is immersed.



For accurate dissolved oxygen measurements, a water movement of at least 0.3 m/sec is required. This is to ensure that the oxygen-depleted membrane surface is constantly replenished. A moving stream will provide an adequate circulation. To quickly check if the water speed is sufficient, wait for the reading to stabilize and then move the D.O. probe. If the reading remains stable, the measurement conditions are right, while if the reading increases the water movement is not adequate.

During field measurements, this condition may be met by manually agitating the probe. Accurate readings are not possible while the liquid is at rest.

During laboratory measurements, the use of a magnetic stirrer to ensure a certain velocity in the fluid is recommended.

In this way, errors due to the diffusion of the oxygen present in the air in the solution are reduced to a minimum.

Anyway, wait the time necessary for thermal equilibrium to occur between the probe and the sample (a few minutes for temperature difference of several degrees).

The meter can display D.O. readings in mg/L (ppm) and in % O<sub>2</sub> (rate of Oxygen saturation with reference to 100% at sea level). Press the RANGE key to select the desired range. The temperature measurement is always displayed on the lower part of the LCD.



If the sample contains salts or if the measurement is performed at altitude different from sea level, the readout values must be corrected, taking into account the lower degree of oxygen solubility.

Set altitude and salinity compensations before performing calibration and taking measurements. The meter will automatically compensate for these factors.

### ALTITUDE COMPENSATION

To enter altitude compensation, press the FACTOR key and the meter will display the “ALT FACTOR” message. Use UP and DOWN keys to set the altitude from 0 to 4.0 km, in steps of 0.1 km.



The meter will automatically compensate for altitude (see also the table below for verification).

°C	Altitude, Meters above Sea Level							°F
	0 m	300 m	600 m	900 m	1200 m	1500 m	1800 m	
0	14.6	14.1	13.6	13.2	12.7	12.3	11.8	32.0
2	13.8	13.3	12.9	12.4	12.0	11.6	11.2	35.6
4	13.1	12.7	12.2	11.9	11.4	11.0	10.6	39.2
6	12.4	12.0	11.6	11.2	10.8	10.4	10.1	42.8
8	11.8	11.4	11.0	10.6	10.3	9.9	9.6	46.4
10	11.3	10.9	10.5	10.2	9.8	9.5	9.2	50.0
12	10.8	10.4	10.1	9.7	9.4	9.1	8.8	53.6
14	10.3	9.9	9.6	9.3	9.0	8.7	8.3	57.2
16	9.9	9.7	9.2	8.9	8.6	8.3	8.0	60.8
18	9.5	9.2	8.7	8.6	8.3	8.0	7.7	64.4
20	9.1	8.8	8.5	8.2	7.9	7.7	7.4	68.0
22	8.7	8.4	8.1	7.8	7.7	7.3	7.1	71.6
24	8.4	8.1	7.8	7.5	7.3	7.1	6.8	75.2
26	8.1	7.8	7.5	7.3	7.0	6.8	6.6	78.8
28	7.8	7.5	7.3	7.0	6.8	6.6	6.3	82.4
30	7.5	7.2	7.0	6.8	6.5	6.3	6.1	86.0
32	7.3	7.1	6.8	6.6	6.4	6.1	5.9	89.6
34	7.1	6.9	6.6	6.4	6.2	6.0	5.8	93.2
36	6.8	6.6	6.3	6.1	5.9	5.7	5.5	96.8
38	6.6	6.4	6.2	5.9	5.7	5.6	5.4	100.4
40	6.4	6.2	6.0	5.8	5.6	5.4	5.2	104.4