



# **USER MANUAL**

**QGM** 

Portable multi gas detector

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# **DESCRIPTION**

QGM is a portable multi gas detector to warn the dangerous environment related to the gases. The detector indicates the concentration of 4 gases oxygen, carbon monoxide, hydrogen sulfide, combustible gas simultaneously on the LCD monitor. It is easy and simple to operate. The device alerts the workers of the danger by alarm, LED, vibration when the concentration exceeds the safety gas levels The device shows the gas concentration in real time and identify the maximum and minimum concentration. The settings values can be modified through WatchGas IR-LINK option.

## **WARNING**

- Please do not replace or change the parts. In this case, we do not guarantee the warranty and safety even though it is under warranty.
- Please remove any debris on the surfaces of the sensor, LED or buzzer hole before use.
- Test the performance of the gas sensor through the gas beyond the alarm level regularly.
- Test the device on a regular basis whether its LED, alarm and vibration function properly.
- Use the device under the conditions instructed, including the temperature, humidity and pressure range. The use environment outside the instruction may cause malfunction or failure.
- The sensors inside the device may indicate the gas concentration differently accordin g to the environment such as temperature, pressure and humidity. Please make sure to calibrate the detector under the same or similar environment to the specification.
- Extreme changes in temperature may cause drastic changes of the gas concentration (e.g. using the detector where there is a huge gap between the inside and outside temperature).
- Please use the device when the concentration becomes stable.
- Severe pressure or impact may cause drastic changes of the gas concentration. Therefore, please use the device when the concentration is stable. Severe pressure or impact may cause also malfunction in the sensor or the device.
- The alarms are set according to the international standard and must be changed by an authorized expert.
- Charging or replacing the battery should be done in a safe area, where there is no risk of explosion or fire. Changing the sensor or battery with improper replacements, which are not authorized by the manufacturer, may invalidate the warranty.
- IR communication should be done in a safe area where there is no risk of explosion or fire.

## **CAUTION**

- Please use after reading the manual carefully.
- The device is not a measurement device, but a gas detector.
- Please stop using and consult the manufacturer if the calibration fails continuously.
- Please test the device every 30 days under the atmospheric environment of clean air without gases.
- Clean the exterior of the device with soft cloth and do not clean it with chemical detergent.

# 1. PRODUCT OVERVIEW



## **DETECTOR COMPONENTS**

- 1. Gas sensor (O<sub>2</sub>)
- 2. Gas sensor (LEL)
- 3. Gas sensor (Dual: CO & H<sub>2</sub>S)
- 4. Key
- 5. IR Port
- 6. Alarm LED
- 7. LCD display
- 8. Buzzer

## **DISPLAY SYMBOLS**



HIGH,	High alarm		
LOW	Low alarm		
<b>( 7</b> )	Alarm condition		
STEL	STEL Alarm		
TWA	TWA Alarm		
<b>&amp;</b>	Fresh Air Calibration		
$\square$	Device stabilization & Calibration succeeded		
	Standard Gas calibration		
	Remaining battery		

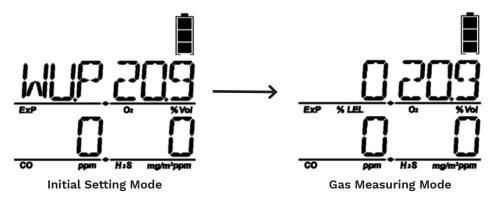


# 2. ACTIVATION

### 2.1 SWITCH ON

Press and hold down the **Key button** ( ) and the device will be switched on along with the three seconds countdown.

**NOTE:** The device will be switched on only when you keep pressing the button for longer than three seconds.



Once activated, the device will enter the warm up stage to stablize sensors. The warm up process is completed, the device is ready to detect gases.

## CAUTION

A proper calibration is always required before using the device at the work site. The user shall check whether the device is properly sensing the levels of dangers of gases and make sure whether the detecting section of the device is not blocked with materials impairing the detection.

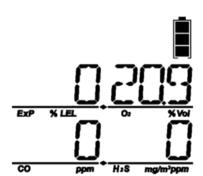
### 2.2 SWITCH OFF

Keep pressing the **Key button** ( and the 3, 2 and 1 in the mentioned order will appear on the monitor and finally the device will be switched off.

**NOTE:** The device will not be switched off only unless you keep pressing the button for longer than three seconds.

# 3. MODE

## 3.1 MEASURING MODE

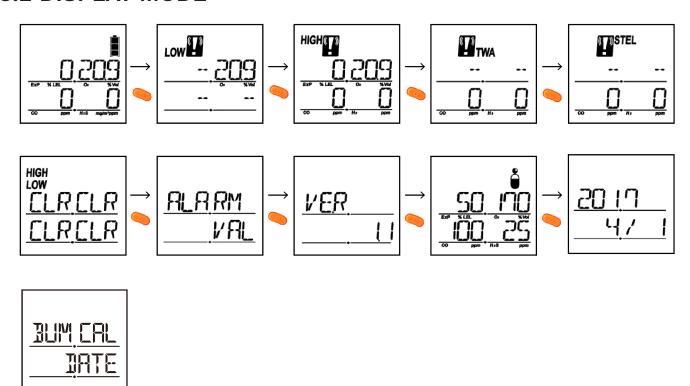


If the device goes into the normal measuring mode after stabilization, the gas concentration and the battery power level are displayed on the LCD monitor. Oxygen is displayed in %vol, combustible gases in %LEL and H<sub>2</sub>S, CO in PPM unit. When the concentration levels change, the value is displayed in real time, and when the levels exceed the threshold for either LOW alarm or HIGH alarm (or TWA/STEL), the display icons of LOW, HIGH, TWA or STEL blinks regularly and the alarm, LED and vibration activates.

When the device goes to a safe area, the concentrations detected by the device declines and the alarm stops. Even after going to a safe

area after the alarms set off, the icon of the alarm does not go away, and you must push the **Key button** ( ) to make it go away.

### 3.2 DISPLAY MODE



The displays in ten different modes as above are shown in the measuring mode every time when you press the **Key button** ( ).

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## 3.2.1 DISPLAY MODE IN DETAIL

LCD DISPLAY IMAGES	DESCRIPTION			
Exp N.LEL ON NVW	<ul> <li>Measuring Mode (Basic Display)</li> <li>Display the current gas levels of the atmosphere and the battery power level</li> </ul>			
<u> </u>	The minimum gas concentration detected by the device. *In an ambient air, the Oxygen level normally indicates 20.9%vol.			
HIGH O SUBJECT ON SAVE	The maximum concentration detected by the device. *In an ambient air, the Oxygen level normally indicates 20.9%vol.			
TWA  CO ppm H. ppm	Acceptable hourly average exposure levels of the toxic gases for the last eight hours (Time Weight Average)			
STEL  CO ppm H, ppm	Acceptable average exposure levels of the toxic gases for the last 15 minutes (Short Term Exposure Limit)			
CLRCLR CLRCLR	Clear the previous Low, High (Peak), TWA, STEL values			
ALARM VAL	Check the current setting values manually. (Low alarm, High alarm, TWA, STEL)			
<u>P TYPE</u> <u>VER. 22</u>	Check the firmware version and type (N type or P type)			
50 100 ELET NUEL 0 25 CO ppm H.4 ppm	<ul> <li>Check on set SPAN calibration levels</li> <li>Mode for ZERO calibration and SPAN calibration</li> </ul>			
<u>20 17 1</u>	Current Date and Time			
BUM CAL DATE	<ul> <li>Check bump and calibration interval remaining days</li> <li>Latest bump date and calibration date check.</li> </ul>			

#### 3.3 DISPLAY MODE

TYPE	SET-OFF CONDITION	LCD DISPLAY	ALARM SOUND & VIBRATION DISPLAY
LOW Alarm	Exceed LOW alarm value	LOW icon & gas concentration levels displayed	BUZZER, LED  Vibration
HIGH Alarm	Exceed HIGH alarm value	HIGHT icon & gas concentration levels displayed	BUZZER, LED  Vibration
TWA Alarm	When exceeding TWA alarm value	TITIMA icon & gas concentration levels displayed	BUZZER, LED  Vibration
STEL Alarm	When exceeding STEL alarm value	icon & gas concentration levels displayed	BUZZER, LED  Vibration
Bump Test	Request Date for Bump Test	LEL DUM DUE	Stops after Bump Test
Execute Calibration	Request Date for Calibration	LEL CAL DUE	Stops after Calibration

**LOW Alarm Sets Off:** When the user presses Key after noticing that the LOW alarm sets off, the sound stops, but the vibration and LED alarm remain.

**HIGH Alarm Sets Off:** The user must leave the area immediately, and the sound alarm / vibration / LED alarm stops when the device goes to a safe area where the concentrations are normal.

**TWA Alarm Sets Off:** The alarm sets off when the hourly average levels of the gas concentration for the last eight hours exceed the TWA concentration, and the sound alarm / vibration / LED alarm stop when the gas concentration levels reach the alarm set-off value as the user goes to a safe area.

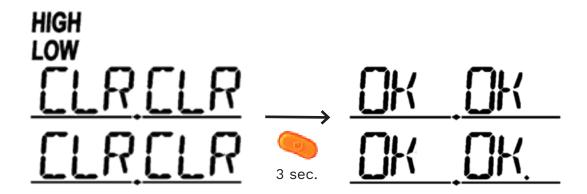
**STEL Alarm Sets Off:** The alarm sets off when the hourly average levels of the gas concentration for the last 15 minutes exceed the STEL concentration, and the sound alarm / vibration / LED alarm stop when the gas concentration levels reach the alarm set-off value as the user goes to a safe area.

**Bump Test Interval (WatchGas IR-LINK Options):** Notices the user on a regular basis to check the device.

**Calibration Interval (WatchGas IR-LINK Options):** Notices the user on a regular basis to calibrate the sensor.



## 3.4 INITIALIZATION OF DETECTED CONCENTRATIONS



You can see the minimum and maximum values for the concentration levels detected by the device as well as the high TWA and STEL value on the display, and the values can be initialized. Press **Key button** ( ) for three seconds on the CLR Clear) mode on the LCD monitor, and the OK will appear on the LCD monitor to notify the completion of the initialization.

## 3.5 CHECK ON ALARM VALUE



Press the **Key button** ( ) for three seconds under the **ALARM VAL** mode and the set value for the LOW alarm is displayed. Press the **Key button** one time each to set the alarm set off value for HIGH alarm, LOW alarm, TWA and STEL alarm in the mentioned order.

## 3.5.1 INITIAL SETTING CONCENTRATION LEVELS

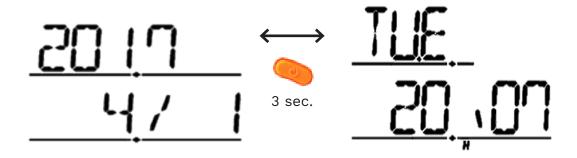
	INFLAMMABLES (Ex)	OXYGEN (O <sub>2</sub> )	CARBON MONOXIDE (CO)	HYDROGEN SULFIDE (H <sub>2</sub> S)
LOW	10 %LEL	19%	30 ppm	10 ppm
HIGH	30 %LEL	23%	60 ppm	20 ppm
TWA			30 ppm	10 ppm
STEL			200 ppm	15 ppm

<sup>\*</sup>The set values can be modified on PC through WatchGas IR-LINK (options)

## CAUTION

The values of different gases in the device are set based on the international standards. As such, the alarm set-off values for each gas can be modified upon the approval and monitoring of the supervisor. The modification may be done through WatchGas IR-LINK (options).

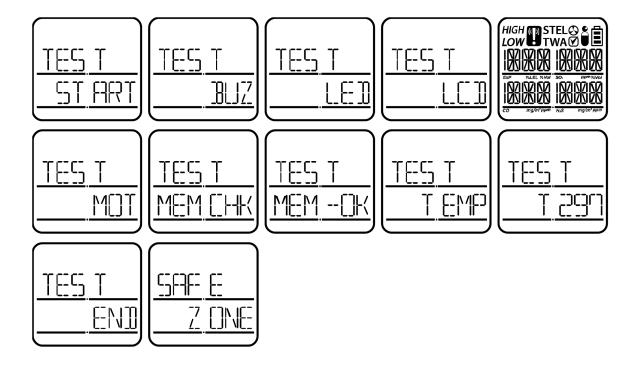
### 3.6 DATES AND TIME



Press the button () under the (YY/MM/DD) mode for 3 seconds and the day / time mode will appear. Press the button () again for 3 seconds under the (D/T) mode and it will go back to previous mode.

\*The current time shall be automatically synched with that of the PC when linked with WatchGas IR-LINK.

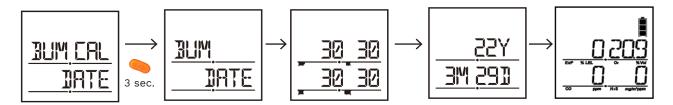
### 3.7 SELF TEST





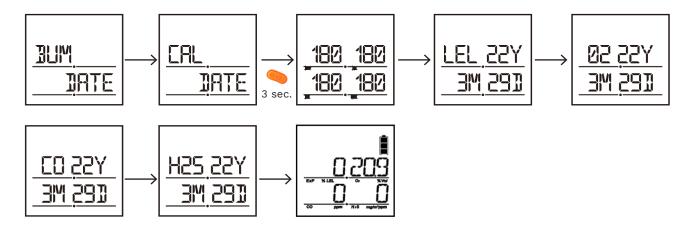
Press and hold the button () for 3 seconds. The device will start the self test checking buzzer, LED, LCD, Motor, Memory, and Temperature.

# 3.8. CHECK ON BUMP TEST INTERVAL DATE AND LATEST BUMP TEST DATE



Press the **Key button** () for three seconds under the **BUM CAL DATE** and BUM DATE will appeared. Press the KEY button one time, when you set the interval date via IR-Link, the set value for interval is displayed, Bump test interval date & latest bump test date will be appeared in the mentioned order.

# 3.9. CHECK ON SPAN CALIBRATION INTERVAL DATE AND LATEST SPAN CALIBRATION DATE



Press the **Key button** () for three seconds under the **CAL DATE** when you set the interval date via IR-Link, the set value for interval is displayed, calibration interval date & latest calibration date will be appeared in the mentioned order.

## 4. EVENT LOG

Up to 30 events may be saved and when the list exceeds 30, the oldest data will be automatically deleted. The saved data can be checked when transmitting it to PC through WatchGas IR-LINK. Data log records the operation status every second and normal data logs do not last more than 2 months.

LOG CATEGORIES	LOG DETAILS
EVENT (High, Low, TWA, STEL) Alarm	Occurrence time, Duration, Alarm Type, Gas Concentration, Serial Number
BUMP TEST Log	Test date, Pass/non-pass, Calibration Gas Concentration, Detected Concentration
Calibration Log	Date of the Calibration, Type, Calibration Gas Concentration, Detected Concentration
Data Log	Time, Date of executing IR-LINK, Concentration, Alarm Types, Options

## 5. CALIBRATION

## CAUTION

The initial calibration is executed at WatchGas before device release. The calibration values are saved in the device which means inaccurate calibration may impair the accuracy of the device performance. Normally, the calibration should be done once a year after the purchase and regularly every six months thereafter.

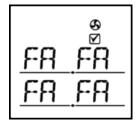
## CAUTION

Because it is calibrated on the assumption that oxygen concentration is 20.9%vol, the combustible gas is 0%LEL, and the toxic is 0ppm in the normal fresh atmosphere, fresh air calibration must be conducted in the absolutely clear air without any impact of other gases. Fresh air calibration in the airtight spaces therefore is not recommended. Make sure to avoid operation under the work environment where people may inhale gases.

## 5.1. FRESH AIR CALIBRATION



Press **Key button** ( ) for 3 seconds under the gas calibration value mode and the icon ( ) signifying fresh air calibration will appear on the LCD monitor with the phrase "CAL ZERO". Press for another 3 seconds to do fresh air calibration and it takes 10 seconds to calibrate. Press the button during the calibration process to stop the calibration. If you press the button upon the completion, It will return to the fresh air calibration mode, and if you don't press the button, it automatically enters the measure mode.



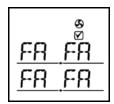
If the calibration fails, FA (Fail), not OK appears on the LCD. Press the button to enter the initial fresh air calibration mode and it changes into the measure mode if you do not press the button for 3 seconds. If FA continues, please consult WatchGas or the store you purchased as it may require the replacement of the sensor or repair of the device.



#### 5.2. STANDARD GAS CALIBRATION

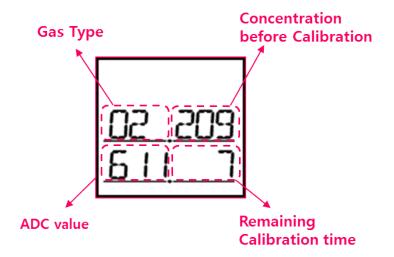


Press **Key button** () under the fresh air calibration mode and the icon () signifying standard gas calibration will appear on the LCD monitor with the phrase CAL SPAN. Press for 3 seconds to do the standard gas calibration and it will be completed automatically in 90 seconds. Press the button during the calibration to stop. If you press the button upon the completion, It will return to the initial standard gas calibration mode, and if you don't press the button, it automatically enters the measure mode.



If the calibration fails, the phrase FA(Fail), not OK appears on the LCD. Press the button to enter the initial fresh air calibration mode and if you do not press the button, it changes into the measuring mode. If FA continues, please consult WatchGas or the store you purchased as it may require the replacement of the sensor or repair of the device.

#### **DISPLAY FOR CALIBRATION COUNT**

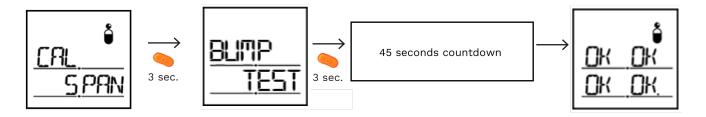


#### INITIAL STANDARD GASES CONCENTRATION FOR CALIBRATION

	COMBUSTIBLE	OXYGEN	CARBON MONOXIDE	HYDROGEN SULFIDE
Concentration	50%LEL(CH4)	17 %Vol	100 ppm	25 ppm

<sup>\*</sup> The concentration for calibration may be modified on PC through WatchGas IR LINK (options).

#### 5.3. BUMP TEST



Press **Key button** () under the Cal span mode and "BUMP TEST" will appear on the LCD monitor. Press key button for 3 seconds to do the bump test and it will be proceeded automatically in 45 seconds. In order to supply gases, turn on the gas regulator. Results should appear within roughly 20 seconds. If the test is successful, OK appears in all four corners of the display.

#### **DOCKING STATION**



Standard gas calibration can be easily done through Docking Station option which hold s gas inside

\*Docking Station is used to determine whether the devices functions properly by the bump test before using QGM in the work site.

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# 6. SPECIFICATION

MODEL	QGM				
Measure Gas	Combustible	O <sub>2</sub>	СО	H <sub>2</sub> S	
Detecting Method	Diffu	Diffusion / Sampling (with Sampling Pump (option))			
Measure Mechanism	Catalytic: (QGM Catalytic) NDIR: (QGM NDIR)	Electrochemical	Electrochemical	Electrochemical	
Range	0~100 %LEL	0~30 %vol	0~500 ppm	0~100 ppm	
Sensor life	> 5 years IR / 2~ 3 years (Pellistor)	< 3 years	> 5 years	> 5 years	
Response Time	< 15sec/90%scale	< 15sec/90%scale	< 30sec/90%scale	< 30sec/90%scale	
Accuracy		± 3%/ F	ull Scale		
Resolution	1%LEL	0.1 %vol	1 ppm	0.1 ppm	
Operation		Front	Key 🧠		
Display	Digital LCD display, LCD Backlight, Indicator LED				
Alarm	Visual: LCD alarm display, LCD Backlight, Indicator LED Audible / buzzer (90dB at 10cm)				
Data Saving	Event Log: 30 EA, Calibration Log: 30 EA Bump Log: 30EA, Data log Two Months or longer				
How to Fix	Belt Clip				
Temperature	- 20 ° C ~ + 50 ° C				
Humidity	10 to 95% RH (Non condensing)				
Battery Type	Manufacturer: SAMSUNG SDI Product Name: ICP103450S Type: Lithium I on Charger Nominal Voltage: 3.7V, Nominal Capacity: 2000mAh, Max Charging Voltage: 6.3V				
Battery Duration	QGM Catalytic: 24 Hours, QGM NDIR: 2 Months				
Case	Rubber base PC Case				
Size	(W x D x H) 60 x 40 x 118mm				
Weight	240 g				
Options	WG PUMP101 (Sampling pump), WatchGas IR LINK, Docking Station				
Certification	QGM Catalytic: Ex d ia IIC T4 , IP 67 QGM NDIR: Ex ia IIC T4 , IP 67				



#### **COMPATIBLE OPTIONS**



WatchGas IR-Link

WG-pump 101

**Docking Station** 

## 7. LIMITED WARRANTY

WatchGas warrants this product to be free of defects in workmanship and materials-under normal use and service-for two years from the date of purchase from the manufacturer or from the product's authorized reseller.

The manufacturer is not liable (under this warranty) if its testing and examination disclose that the alleged defect in the product does not exist or was caused by the purchaser's (or any third party's) misuse, neglect, or improper installation, testing, or calibrations. Any unauthorized attempt to repair or modify the product, or any other cause of damage beyond the range of the intended use, including damage by fire, lightening, water damage or other hazard, voids liability of the manufacturer.

In the event that a product should fail to perform up to manufacturer specifications during the applicable warranty period, please contact the product's authorized reseller or WatchGas service center at info@watchgas.com for repair/return information.

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