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## Photometer-System MD100



**Aluminium • Alluminio • Alumínio**  
**Tablet • Powder**

**GB** Instruction Manual

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# CE-Konformitätserklärung / Declaration of CE-Conformity Déclaration de conformité CE / Dichiarazione di conformità CE / CE-Declaración de conformidad

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producer: **MD 100**

- (DE)** EG-Konformitätserklärung gemäß RICHTLINIE **2004/108/EG** DES EUROPÄISCHEN PARLAMENTS UND DES RATES vom 15. Dezember 2004 und RICHTLINIE **2011/65/EU** DES EUROPÄISCHEN PARLAMENTS UND DES RATES vom 8. Juni 2011. Der Hersteller erklärt, dass dieses Produkt die Anforderungen der folgenden Produktfamiliennorm erfüllt:
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- (FR)** Déclaration de conformité CE conformément à la DIRECTIVE **2004/108/CE** DU PARLEMENT EUROPÉEN ET DU CONSEIL du 15 décembre 2004 et DIRECTIVE **2011/65/UE** DU PARLEMENT EUROPÉEN ET DU CONSEIL du 8 juin 2011. La fabricant déclare que le produit est conforme aux exigences de la norme de famille de produits suivante :
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## DIN EN 61326-1:2006

- (DE)** Gemäß den grundlegenden Prüfanforderungen für die Störfestigkeit (Tabelle 1) / Störaussendungen gemäß den Anforderungen für Geräte der Klasse B
- (GB)** Basic immunity test requirements (Table1) / Emission according to the requirements for class B equipment
- (FR)** Conformément aux exigences fondamentales relatives aux essais d'immunité (tableau 1) / Émissions parasites conformément aux exigences applicables aux appareils de la classe B
- (IT)** Conforme ai requisiti relativi al test di resistenza alle interferenze (Tabella 1) / Emissione in conformità ai requisiti per i dispositivi della classe B
- (ES)** De acuerdo a los requisitos básicos de verificación para la resistencia a interferencias (tabla 1) / Emisión de interferencias conforme a las exigencias para aparatos de clase B

Dortmund, 07.10.2014

  
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## **GB Important Information**



### **CAUTION**



The accuracy of the instrument is only valid if the instrument is used in an environment with controlled electromagnetic disturbances according to DIN 61326. Wireless devices, e.g. wireless phones, must not be used near the instrument.

### **Important disposal instructions for batteries and accumulators**

EC Guideline 2006/66/EC requires users to return all used and worn-out batteries and accumulators. They must not be disposed of in normal domestic waste. Because our products include batteries and accumulators in the delivery package our advice is as follows :

Used batteries and accumulators are not items of domestic waste. They must be disposed of in a proper manner. Your local authority may have a disposal facility; alternatively you can hand them in at any shop selling batteries and accumulators. You can also return them to the company which supplied them to you; the company is obliged to accept them.



### **Important Information**

#### **To Preserve, Protect and Improve the Quality of the Environment Disposal of Electrical Equipment in the European Union**

Because of the European Directive 2012/19/EU your electrical instrument must not be disposed of with normal household waste!

Tintometer GmbH will dispose of your electrical instrument in a professional and environmentally responsible manner. This service, **excluding the cost of transportation** is free of charge. This service only applies to electrical instruments purchased after 13th August 2005. Send your electrical Tintometer instruments for disposal freight prepaid to your supplier.



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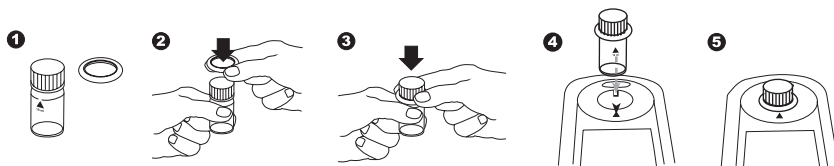
## Guidelines for photometric measurements

1. Vials, caps and stirring rods should be cleaned thoroughly **after each analysis** to prevent interference. Even minor reagent residues can cause errors in the test result.
2. The outside of the vial must be clean and dry before starting the analysis. Clean the outside of the vials with a towel to remove fingerprints or other marks.
3. Zero calibration and test must be carried out with the same vial as there may be slight differences in optical performance between vials.
4. The vials must be positioned in the sample chamber for zeroing and test with the  $\Delta$  mark on the vial aligned with the  $\nabla$  mark on the instrument.
5. Always perform zeroing and test with the vial cap tightly closed. Only use the cap with a sealing ring.
6. Bubbles on the inside wall of the vial lead to incorrect measurements. To prevent this, remove the bubbles by swirling the vial before performing the test.
7. Avoid spillage of water into the sample chamber because this can lead to incorrect test results.
8. Contamination of the transparent cell chamber can result in wrong readings. Check at regular intervals and – if necessary – clean the transparent cell chamber using a moist cloth or cotton buds.
9. Large temperature differences between the instrument and the environment can lead to errors – e.g. due to the formation of condensation in the cell chamber or on the vial.
10. To avoid errors caused by stray light do not use the instrument in bright sunlight.
11. Always add the reagent tablets to the water sample straight from the foil without touching them with the fingers.
12. The reagents must be added in the correct sequence.

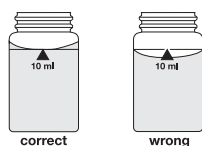
## Method notes

- Prior to measurement ensure that the sample is suitable for analysis (no major interferences) and does not require any preparation i.e. pH adjustment, filtration etc.
- Different Refill Packs available on request.
- Reagents are designed for use in chemical analysis only and should be kept well out of the reach of children.
- Ensure proper disposal of reagent solutions.
- Material Safety Data Sheets are available on request (Internet: [www.lovibond.com](http://www.lovibond.com))

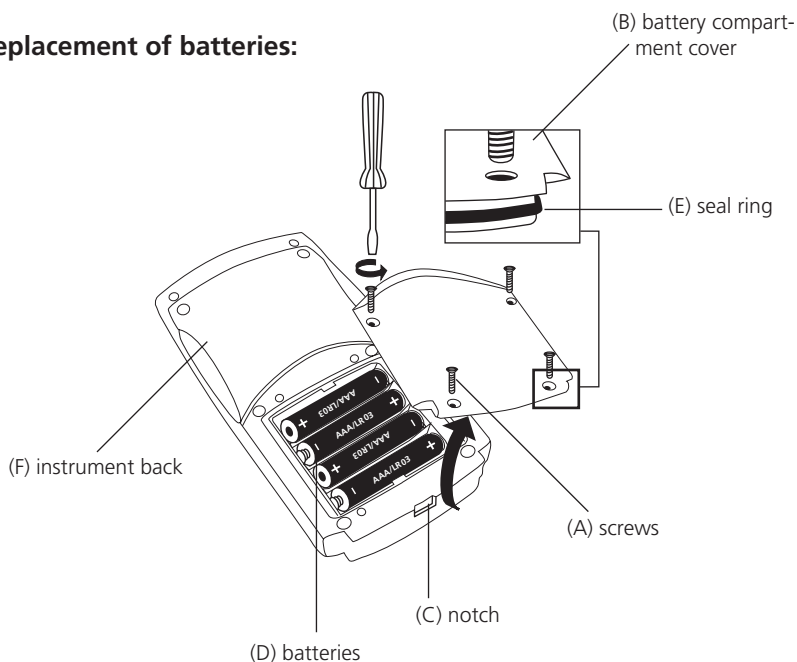
### Correct position of the vial (Ø 24 mm):



### Correct filling of the vial:



### Replacement of batteries:



### CAUTION:

To ensure that the instrument is water proof:

- seal ring (E) must be in position
- battery compartment cover (B) must be fixed with the four screws

If the batteries are removed for more than one minute the date and time menu starts automatically when the photometer is switched on the next time.

### Operation



METHOD



Switch the unit on using the [ON/OFF] key.

The display shows the following:

Select the required test using the [MODE] key.

#### Scroll Memory (SM)

To avoid unnecessary scrolling for the required test method, the instrument memorizes the last method used before being switched off. When the instrument is switched on again, the scroll list comes up with the last used test method first.

METHOD

The display shows the following:

Fill a clean vial with the water sample up to the 10 ml mark, screw the cap on and place the vial in the sample chamber making sure that the  $\Sigma$  marks are aligned.



METHOD

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Press the [ZERO/TEST] key.

The "Method" symbol flashes for approx. 8 seconds.

The display shows the following:

After zero calibration is completed, remove the vial from the sample chamber. The characteristic coloration appears after the addition of the reagents.

Replace the cap on the vial and place in the sample chamber making sure that the  $\Sigma$  marks are aligned.



METHOD

RESULT

Press the [ZERO/TEST] key.

(For Countdown/reaction period see page 25)

The "Method" symbol flashes for approx. 3 seconds.

The result appears in the display.

The result is saved automatically.

#### Repeating the test:

Press the [ZERO/TEST] key again.



#### Repeating the zero:

Press the [ZERO/TEST] key for 2 seconds.



## Display backlight



Press the [!] key to turn the display backlight on or off. The backlight is switched off automatically during the measurement.

## Recall of stored data



If the instrument is switched on, press the [!] key for more than 4 seconds, then release the [!] key to access the recall menu.

## Countdown / reaction period

If a reaction period is included in a method a countdown function can be used:



Press the [!] key and hold.

Press the [ZERO/TEST] key.



Release the [!] key; the countdown starts.

After the countdown is finished the measurement starts automatically.

It is possible to interrupt the countdown by pressing the [ZERO/TEST] key. Measurement starts immediately.

### Caution:

**An incomplete reaction period can lead to incorrect test results.**





## Aluminium with Tablet

### 0.01 – 0.3 mg/l



Fill a clean vial (24 mm Ø) with **10 ml of the water sample** and perform zero calibration (see "Operation").

Add **one ALUMINIUM No. 1 tablet** straight from the foil to the 10 ml water sample and crush the tablet using a clean stirring rod (dissolve the tablet).

Add **one ALUMINIUM No. 2 tablet** straight from the foil to the same water sample and crush the tablet using a clean stirring rod.

Close the vial tightly with the cap and swirl gently several times until the tablet is dissolved.

Place the vial in the sample chamber making sure that the  $\Sigma$  marks are aligned.

**Wait for a reaction period of 5 minutes.**  
(Countdown can be activated, see page 25)

The method symbol flashes for approx. 3 seconds.

The result is shown in the display in mg/l Aluminium.

**Tolerance:**  $\pm 0.05$  mg/l Al



**Notes:**

1. Before use, clean the vials and the measuring beaker with Hydrochloric acid (approx. 20%). Rinse them thoroughly with deionised water.
2. To get accurate results the sample temperature must be between 20°C and 25°C.
3. A low test result may be given in the presence of Fluorides and Polyphosphates. The effect of this is generally insignificant unless the water has fluoride added artificially. In this case, the following table should be used:

Fluoride [mg/l F]	Displayed value: Aluminium [mg/l Al]					
	0.05	0.10	0.15	0.20	0.25	0.30
0.2	0.05	0.11	0.16	0.21	0.27	0.32
0.4	0.06	0.11	0.17	0.23	0.28	0.34
0.6	0.06	0.12	0.18	0.24	0.30	0.37
0.8	0.06	0.13	0.20	0.26	0.32	0.40
1.0	0.07	0.13	0.21	0.28	0.36	0.45
1.5	0.09	0.20	0.29	0.37	0.48	---

Example: If the result of Aluminium determination is 0.15 mg/l Al and the Fluoride concentration is known to be 0.4 mg/l F, the true concentration of Aluminium is 0.17 mg/l Al.

4. A special tablet ingredient prevents effects on the measurement due to iron and manganese.

Reagent	Form of reagent/Quantity	Order-No.
<b>Set</b> ALUMINIUM No. 1 / No. 2	Tablet / per 100 inclusive stirring rod	517601BT
ALUMINIUM No. 1	Tablet / 100	515460BT
ALUMINIUM No. 2	Tablet / 100	515470BT



## Aluminium with VARIO Powder Pack 0.01 – 0.25 mg/l

Use two clean vials (24 mm Ø) and mark one as blank for zeroing.

Fill **20 ml of the water sample** in a 100 ml beaker.

Add the contents of **one VARIO Aluminum ECR F20 Powder Pack** straight from the foil to the water sample.

Dissolve the powder using a clean stirring rod.

Wait for a **reaction period of 30 seconds**.

After the reaction period is finished proceed as follows:

Add the contents of **one VARIO Hexamine F20 Powder Pack** straight from the foil to the same water sample.

Dissolve the powder using a clean stirring rod.

Add **1 drop of VARIO Aluminum ECR Masking Reagent** in the vial marked as blank.

Add 10 ml of the prepared water sample to the vial (this is the blank).

Add the remaining 10 ml of the prepared water sample in the second clean vial (this is the sample).

Close the vials tightly with the caps and invert several times to mix the contents.

Place the vial (the blank) in the sample chamber making sure that the  $\Sigma$  marks are aligned.

**Wait for a reaction period of 5 minutes.**

Press the [ZERO/TEST] key.

The method symbol flashes for approx. 8 seconds.

The display shows:

Remove the vial from the sample chamber.

Place the vial (the sample) in the sample chamber making sure that the  $\Sigma$  marks are aligned.

Press the [ZERO/TEST] key.

The method symbol flashes for approx. 3 seconds.

The result is shown in the display as mg/l Aluminium.



**Tolerance:**  $\pm 0.05$  mg/l Al

**Notes:**

1. Before use, clean the vials and the measuring beaker with Hydrochloric acid (approx. 20%). Rinse them thoroughly with deionised water.
2. To get accurate results the sample temperature must be between 20°C and 25°C.
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Reagent	Form of reagent/Quantity	Order-No.
<b>Set</b> VARIO Aluminium ECR F20 VARIO Aluminium Hexamine F 20 VARIO Aluminium ECR Masking Reagent	Powder Pack / 100 Powder Pack / 100 Liquid reagent / 25 ml	535000

## Menu selections

Press the [MODE] key and **hold**.

Switch the unit on using the [ON/OFF] key.

Allow the 3 decimal points to be displayed before releasing the [MODE] key.

The [!] key allows for selection of the following menu points:

- ▲ diS recall stored data
- ▲ Prt printing stored data
- ▲ setting the date and time
- Cal user calibration



### 1 diS – Recall of stored data

After confirming the selection with the [MODE] key the photometer shows the last 16 data sets in the following format (automatically proceeds every 3 seconds until result is displayed):

Number n xx (xx: 16...1)  
 Year YYYY (e.g. 2014)  
 Date mm.dd (month:month:day:day)  
 Time hh:mm (hour:hour:minute:minute)  
 Test Method  
 Result x,xx

The [ZERO/TEST] key repeats the current data set.

The [MODE] key scrolls through all stored data sets.

Quit the menu by pressing [!] key.



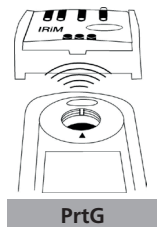
### ▲ Prt – Transmitting stored data (to Printer or PC)

**Note:** To print data, or to transmit to a PC, the optional IRiM (Infrared Interface Module) is required.

The IRiM Module and the connected printer/PC must be ready. Press the [MODE] key to start the transmitting, the instrument displays "PrtG" (Printing) for approx. 1 second followed by the number of the first data set and its transmission. All data sets will be transmitted one after the other. After finishing the instrument switches to test mode.

The print job can be cancelled by pressing the [On/Off] key. The instrument switches off.

If the instrument is not able to communicate with the IRiM, a timeout



## E 132

occurs after approx. 2 minutes. The error E 132 is displayed for approx. 4 seconds. Subsequently, the instrument switches to test mode (see also IRIIM manual).



Mode

SET

DATE

YYYY

(2 sec.)

Mode

Zero  
Test

!

## 2 Setting date and time (24-hour-format)

After confirming the selection with the [MODE] key the value to be edited will be shown for 2 sec.

The setting starts with the year (YYYY) followed by the actual value to be edited. The same applies for month (mm), day (dd), hour (hh) and minutes (mm). Set the minutes first in steps of 10, press the [!] key to continue setting the minutes in steps of 1.

Increase the value by pressing the [MODE] key.

Decrease the value by pressing [ZERO/TEST] key.

Proceed to the next value to be edited by pressing [!] key.

After setting the minutes and pressing the [!] key the display will show "IS SET" and the instrument returns to the measurement mode.



cal

CAL

CAL

METHOD

Zero  
Test

≡METHOD≡

0.0.0

CAL

Zero  
Test

≡METHOD≡

## Cal User calibration

### Note:

user calibration (Display in calibration mode)

factory calibration (Display in calibration mode)

After confirming the selection with the [MODE] key the instrument will show CAL/"Method".

Scroll through methods using the [MODE] key.

Fill a clean vial with the standard up to the 10 ml mark, screw the cap on and place the vial in the sample chamber making sure that the X marks are aligned.

Press the [ZERO/TEST] key.

The method symbol flashes for approx. 8 seconds.

The display shows the following in alternating mode:

Perform calibration with a standard of known concentration (see "Operation").

Press the [ZERO/TEST] key.

The method symbol flashes for approx. 3 seconds.

## Calibration Mode



The result is shown in the display, alternating with CAL.

If the reading corresponds with the value of the calibration standard (within the specified tolerance), exit calibration mode by pressing the [ON/OFF] key.

Changing the displayed value:

Pressing the [MODE] key once increases the displayed value by 1 digit.

Pressing the [ZERO/TEST] key once decreases the displayed value by 1 digit.



Press the corresponding key until the reading equals the value of the calibration standard.

By pressing the [ON/OFF] key, the new correction factor is calculated and stored in the user calibration software.



Confirmation of calibration (3 seconds).

## Factory calibration reset

Resetting the user calibration to the original factory calibration will reset all methods and ranges.

A user calibrated method is indicated by a "Cal" symbol while the test result is displayed.

To reset the calibration press both the [MODE] and [ZERO/TEST] key and **hold**.

Switch the unit on using the [ON/OFF] key.

Release the [MODE] and [ZERO/TEST] keys after approx. 1 second.



The following messages will appear in turn on the display:

The factory setting is active.  
(SEL stands for Select)

**or:**



Calibration has been set by the user.

(If the user calibration is to be retained, switch the unit off using the [ON/OFF] key).



Calibration is reset to the factory setting by pressing the [MODE] key.

The following messages will appear in turn on the display:



Switch the unit off using the [ON/OFF] key.



### Technical Data

Instrument	single wavelength, automatic wavelength selection, direct reading colorimeter
Light source:	LED, interference filter (IF) and photosensor in transparent cell chamber. Wavelength specifications of the IF: 530 nm $\Delta \lambda = 5 \text{ nm}$
Wavelength accuracy	$\pm 1 \text{ nm}$
Photometric accuracy*	3% FS (T = 20° C – 25° C)
Photometric resolution	0.01 A
Power supply	4 batteries (AAA/LR 03)
Operating time	17hr operating time or 5000 test measurements in continuous mode when display backlight is off
Auto-OFF	automatic switch off 15 minutes after last keypress
Display	backlit LCD (on keypress)
Storage	internal ring memory for 16 data sets
Interface	IR interface for data transfer
Time	real time clock und date
Calibration	user and factory calibration resetting to factory calibration possible
Dimensions	155 x 75 x 35 mm (LxWxH)
Weight	approx. 260 g (incl. batteries)
Ambient conditions	temperature: 5–40 °C rel. humidity: 30–90 % (non-condensing)
Waterproof	floating; as defined in IP 68 (1 hour at 0.1 meter)
CE	Certificate for Declaration of CE-Conformity at <a href="http://www.lovibond.com">www.lovibond.com</a>

*\*measured with standard solutions*

To ensure maximum accuracy of test results, always use the reagent systems supplied by the instrument manufacturer.

### Operating messages

**Hi**

Measuring range exceeded or excessive turbidity.

**Lo**

Result below the lowest limit of the measuring range.



Replace batteries, no further tests possible.

**btLo**

Battery capacity is too low for the display backlight; measurement is still possible.

Store  
Print  
Cal  
**RESULT**  
Date  
Time

A user calibrated method is indicated by a "Cal" symbol while the test result is displayed. (see "Factory calibration reset").

### Error codes

**E27 / E28 / E29**

Light absorption too great. Reasons: e.g. dirty optics.

**E 10 / E 11**

Calibration factor "out of range"

**E 20 / E 21**

Too much light reaching the detector.

**E23 / E24 / E25**

Too much light reaching the detector.

**E 22**

Battery capacity was too low during measurement. Change battery.

**E 70**

AI (Tablet):                      Factory calibration incorrect / erased

**E 71**

AI (Tablet):                      User calibration incorrect / erased

**E 72**

AI (Powder Pack):              Factory calibration incorrect / erased

**E 73**

AI (Powder Pack):              User calibration incorrect / erased

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