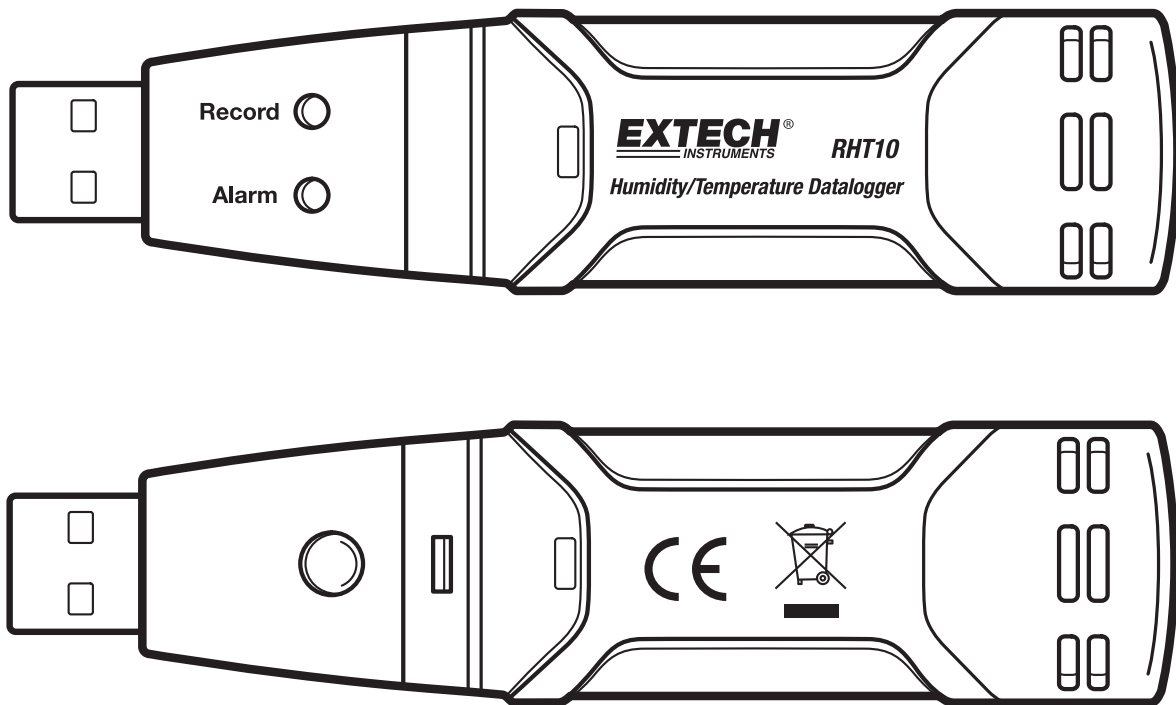


# User's Guide



## Humidity / Temperature Datalogger

### Model RHT10



# Introduction

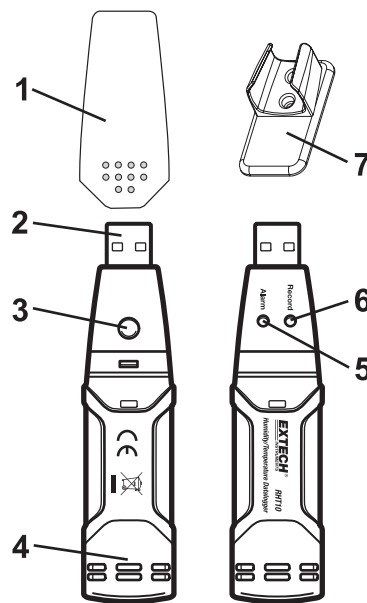
Congratulations on your purchase of the Relative Humidity and Temperature Datalogger. This datalogger measures and stores up to 16,000 relative humidity and 16,000 temperature readings over 0 to 100%RH and -40 to +70°C (-40 to +158°F) measurement ranges. The user can easily set up the logging rate, high/low alarm and start-mode, and download the stored data by plugging the module into a PC's USB port and running the supplied PC software. Relative Humidity, Temperature and Dew Point data can then be graphed, printed and exported to other applications. The data logger is supplied with a long-life lithium battery, which can typically allow logging for one year. This meter is shipped fully tested and calibrated and, with proper use, will provide years of reliable service

## FEATURES

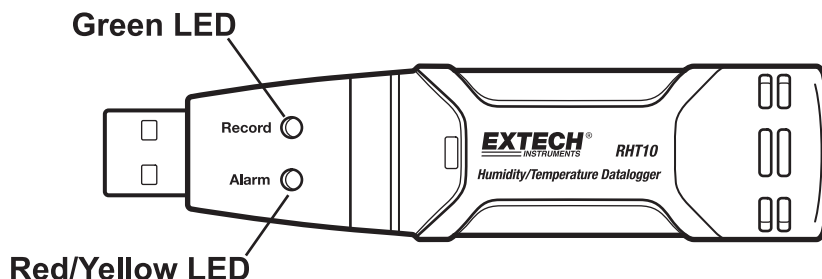
- Memory for 32,000 readings(16,000 temperature and 16,000 humidity readings)
- Dew point indication via Windows Software
- Selectable data sampling rate: 2s, 5s, 10s, 30s, 1m, 5m, 10m, 30m, 1hr, 2hr, 3hr, 6hr, 12hr, 24hr
- Status Indication via Red/Yellow LED and Green LED
- USB Interface for Set-up and Data Download
- User-Programmable Alarm Thresholds for Relative Humidity and Temperature
- Analysis software used to view graph
- Long battery life









## DESCRIPTION

1. Protective cover
2. USB connector to PC port
3. Start button
4. RH and Temperature sensors
5. Alarm LED (red/yellow)
6. Record LED (green)
7. Mounting clip



## LED Status Guide



LED Status	Indication	Action
<b>REC ALM</b>  	<b>Both LED lights OFF</b>  <i>Logging not active</i> <b>Or</b> <i>Low Battery</i>	<b>Start logging</b>  <b>Replace battery and download the data</b>
<b>REC ALM</b>  	<b>One green flash every 10 sec. *</b> <i>Logging active, no alarm condition**</i>  <b>Green double flash every 10 sec.</b> <i>Delayed start</i>	<b>To start, hold the start button until Green and Yellow LED flash</b>
<b>REC ALM</b>  	<b>Red single flash every 10 sec. *</b> <i>Logging active, low alarm condition for RH***</i>  <b>Red double flash every 10 sec. *</b> <i>Logging active, high alarm condition for RH***</i>  <b>Red single flash every 60 sec.</b> <i>Low Battery****</i>	<b>If logging, logger will stop automatically. No data will be lost. Replace battery</b>
<b>REC ALM</b>  	<b>Yellow single flash every 10 sec. *</b> <i>Logging active, low alarm condition for TEMP***</i>  <b>Yellow double flash every 10 sec. *</b> <i>Logging active, high alarm condition for TEMP***</i>  <b>Yellow single flash every 60 sec.</b> <i>Logger memory full</i>	<b>Download the data</b>

\* To save power, the logger's LED flashing-cycle can be changed to 20s or 30s via the supplied software.

\*\* To save power, alarm LEDs for temperature and humidity can be disabled via the supplied software.

\*\*\*When both temperature and relative humidity readings exceed alarm level synchronously, LED status indication alternate every cycle.

\*\*\*\*When the battery is low, all operations will be disabled automatically. NOTE: Logging automatically stops when the battery weakens (logged data will be retained). The supplied software is required to restart logging and to download logged data.

## Operation

### DATALOGGER SOFTWARE INSTALLATION

Install the supplied Windows PC Datalogger Software by placing the supplied program disk in the PC CD-ROM drive. If the installation program does not automatically open and provide on-screen prompts, double click the SETUP.EXE file included on the program disk. Follow the on-screen prompts to complete the installation. Before running the Datalogger software please connect the Logger to the PC and install the USB Driver software as described in the next section.

### CONNECTING THE LOGGER TO THE PC and INSTALLING THE DRIVER SOFTWARE

Plug the Logger into an available USB port on the PC. If this is the 1<sup>st</sup> time that the Logger is connected to the particular port on the PC, the following screen will appear:



Select the 'recommended' installation (make sure the program disk is still in the PC CD-ROM drive) and follow the on-screen prompts to complete the driver installation. If this is a repeat connect of the Logger to the USB port, the driver installation process will be automatically skipped.

### RUNNING THE DATALOGGER SOFTWARE

With the Logger connected to the PC, Double click the DATALOGGER icon to launch the program. The main software screen will appear with the MENU BAR icons described below.

### MENU BAR



From left to right the menu bar icons represent DATA DOWNLOAD, LOGGER SETUP, FILE OPEN, FILE SAVE-AS, FILE PRINT, and ZOOM. In addition, the FILE, VIEW, LINK, and HELP pull-down menus are available here. All will be discussed in the following paragraphs. Start by setting up the Logger as explained in the following section.

## SETUP THE LOGGER

Click on the computer icon on the menu bar (2<sup>nd</sup> from left) or select **LOGGER SET** from the **LINK** pull-down menu. The Setup window will appear as shown below; descriptions for each field in the Setup window are listed directly below the illustration:

**Connected**

**Basic Settings**

Current Time: 02-16-2007 16:24:25 ☒ Manual ☐ Instant

Logger Name: Logging Name Max. 15 words!

Sample Points: 50 Sample Rate[Sec.]: 10s

LED Flash Cycle: ☒ 10s ☐ 20s ☐ 30s

**Alarm Settings**

☐ LEDs flash for high and low alarm

Temperature: Low Alarm 0 High Alarm 40 Unit: oC

Relative Humidity: Low Alarm 35 High Alarm 75 Unit: %RH

Default Setup Cancel

- The **CURRENT TIME** field will automatically synchronize with the PC date and time setting
- The **MANUAL** and **INSTANT** select buttons allow the user to start datalogging immediately when the Setup window is exited (**INSTANT**) or at a later time (**MANUAL**). Explained in the **LOGGING READINGS** section
- The **LOGGER NAME** field allows the user to select a unique name for the logger
- The **SAMPLE POINTS** field instructs the logger to take a finite number of readings
- The **SAMPLE RATE** pull-down menu instructs the logger to log readings at a specific rate
- The **LED Flash Cycle** can be set by the user (the longer the time, the longer the battery life)
- The **ALARM SETTINGS** portion of the **SETUP** window allows the user to set **HIGH** and **LOW** temperature/RH limits and disable the flashing of the Logger's LEDs thereby conserving battery energy

Click on the **SETUP** button to save changes. Press the **DEFAULT** button to set the Logger to factory default condition. Press the **CANCEL** button to abort the setup.

## LOGGING READINGS

If **INSTANT** was selected in the **SETUP** window, the Logger begins logging at the instant the **SETUP** button is pressed. If **MANUAL** was selected, the Logger must be manually started by pressing and holding the Logger's yellow button for approx. 3 seconds or until the two LEDs on the Logger flash at the same time.

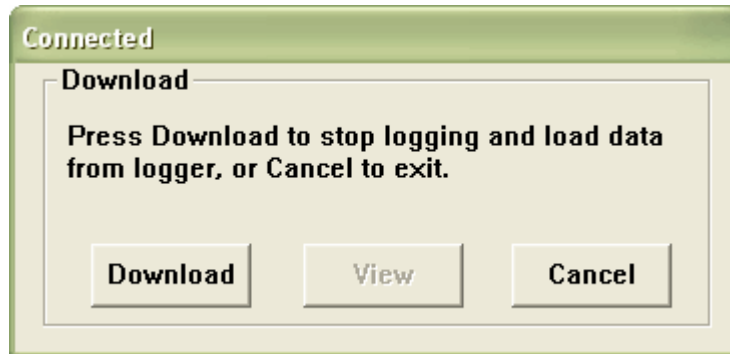
Logging will continue at the programmed sample rate until the number of readings (sample points) specified in the Setup window is reached.

The green LED flashes once per sample point and the red LED flashes when user programmed alarm limits are exceeded. The yellow LED will flash at 10 second intervals **AFTER** the pre-determined number of readings has been logged.

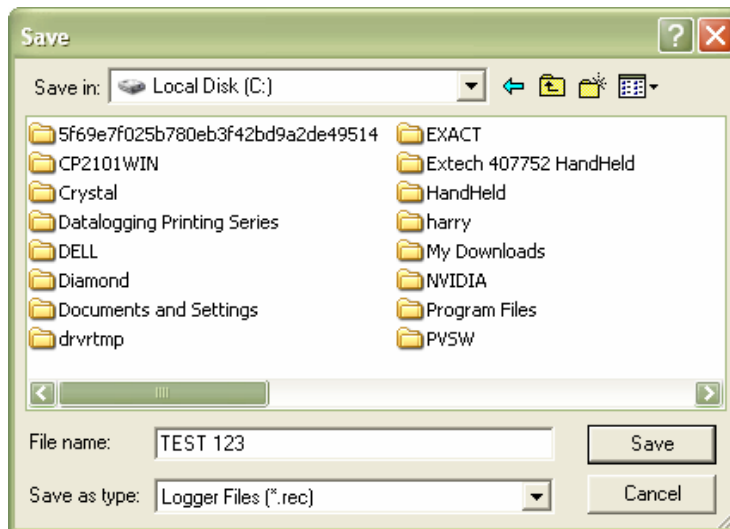
## DOWNLOAD SAVED DATA TO PC

To transfer the readings stored in the Logger to the PC:

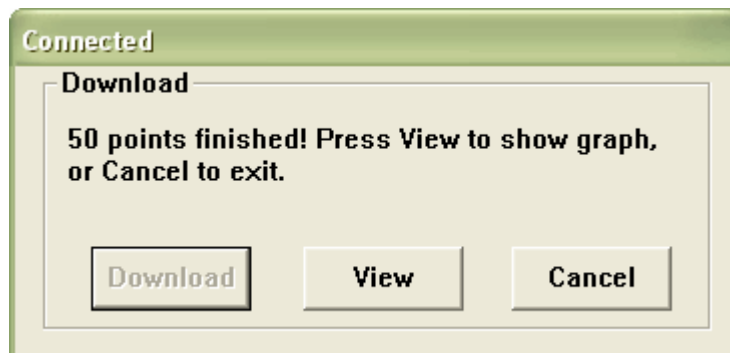
1. Connect the Logger to the same USB port used when the Logger was initialized
2. Open the Datalogger software program if it is not still running
3. Click the Download icon (1<sup>st</sup> on the left) or select Data Download from the LINK pull-down menu
4. The Window shown below will appear. Press DOWNLOAD to begin transferring readings



If readings are successfully transferred, the VIEW screen and the SAVE screen (both shown below) will appear. In the SAVE screen, name the file and save it to a convenient location. At a later time, the user can select SAVE-AS and save the data as an Excel, Text, or Bitmap file (explained in next section), however, the data in this case is saved as an .rec file for use in this program only.



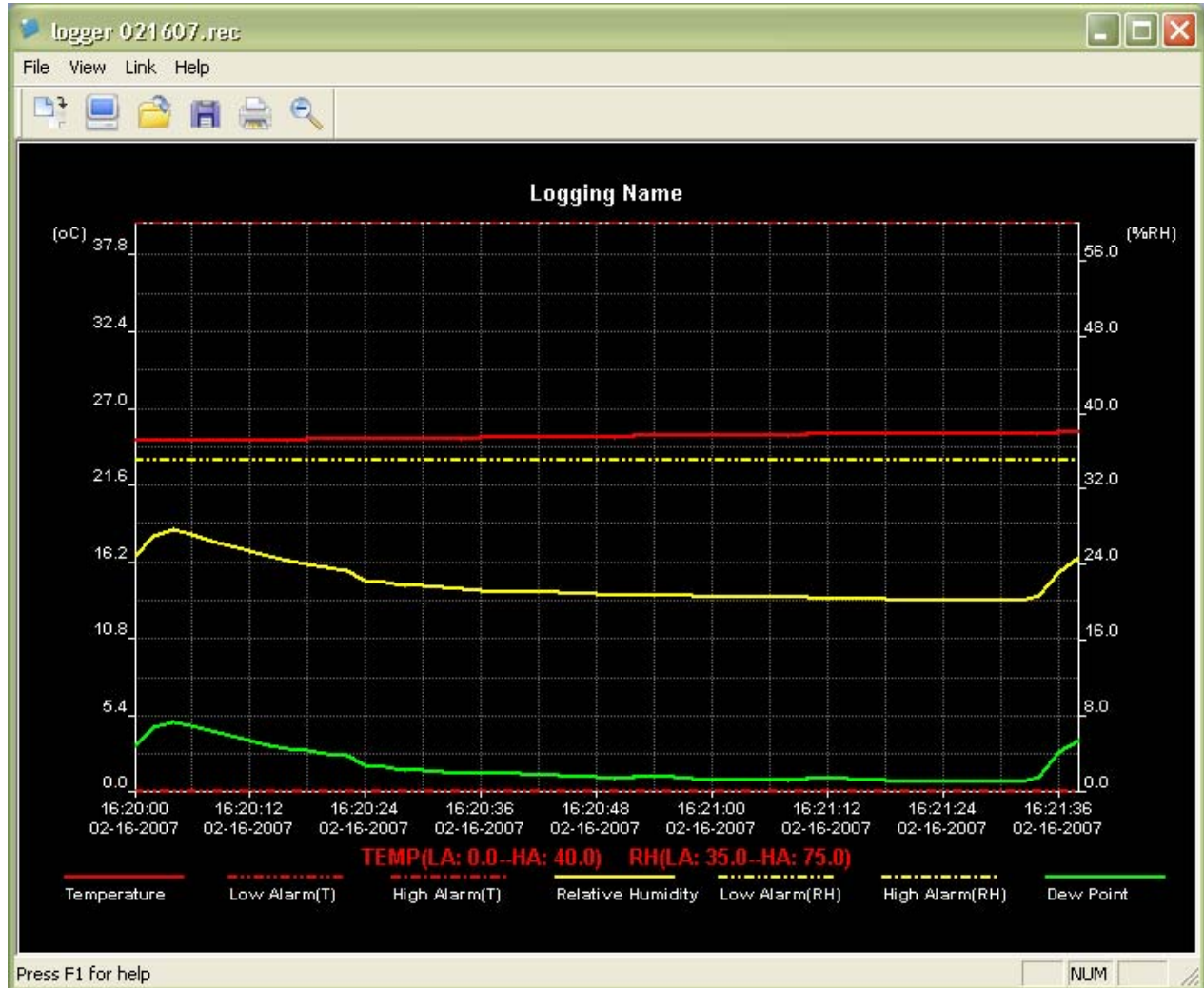
In the VIEW screen (below) press VIEW to see the data graphically. If there are no readings currently stored in the Logger, the program will let the user know via warning screen.



When VIEW is pressed, the Data Graph window appears (pictured and discussed in the next section)

## DATA GRAPH

The Data Graph window presents the transferred data in x-y graph format with Date/Time represented on the horizontal axis and Temperature / %Relative Humidity / Dew Point / Alarm Limits represented on the y axis:



To zoom in and zoom out data regions, there are several approaches, these are:

1. Use the mouse to click and drag a box around any data area to magnify the area selected.
2. Click on the zoom magnifier icon tool on the menu bar
3. Select ZOOM OUT / ZOOM IN from the VIEW pull-down menu.

In the example graph above, the Temperature is represented by the solid red line (the lines are known as 'traces'), the Relative Humidity % by the solid yellow trace, and the Dew Point Temperature by the solid green trace. The low and high alarm values for temperature are represented by the dashed red trace, the low and high alarm values for Relative Humidity by the dashed yellow trace.

To customize the graph window select SHOW TRACES, BACKGROUND, GRID LINES, and MASK POINTS from the VIEW pull-down menu. These options provide the following features:

SHOW TRACES: Allows the user to select which data to view as a trace (Temperature, RH, Dew Point, & Alarms).

BACKGROUND: Select background color scheme.

GRID LINES: Add or remove grid lines from x and y axes.

MASK POINTS: Places dots on the traces for the actual data points, breaking up the continuous nature of a trace.

## **SAVE AND OPEN DATA FILES**

To save the transferred data in a format other than the proprietary .rec format, click the SAVE AS icon from the menu bar (3<sup>rd</sup> from right) or select SAVE AS from the FILE pull-down menu. The data can be saved in the following formats:

TEXT FILE (.txt)

EXCEL FILE (.xls)

BITMAP FILE (.bmp)

To open an existing data file for viewing on the data graph window, click on the FILE OPEN icon on the menu bar (3<sup>rd</sup> from left) or select FILE OPEN from the FILE pull-down menu. When prompted, select a .rec file saved earlier.

## **PRINT DATA GRAPH**

To print a data graph window to a line or network printer, click on the printer icon or select PRINT from the FILE pull-down menu. Note that color graph windows can be accurately printed on color printers.

## **CLEAR LOGGER DATA**

The Logger retains data in its internal memory until the user begins a new logging session. Starting a new logging session clears all of the logger's stored readings; be sure to save data before starting a new logging session.



## Specifications

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<b>Relative Humidity</b>	Overall Range	0 to 100%
	Accuracy (0 to 20 and 80 to 100%)	±5.0%
	Accuracy (20 to 40 and 60 to 80%)	±3.5%
	Accuracy (40 to 60%)	±3.0%
<b>Temperature</b>	Overall Range	-40 to 158°F (-40 to 70°C)
	Accuracy (-40 to -10 and +40 to +70°C)	±2°C
	Accuracy (-10 to +40°C)	±1°C
	Accuracy (-40 to +14 and 104 to 158°F)	±3.6°F
	Accuracy (+14 to 104°F)	±1.8°F
<b>Dew Point Temperature</b>	Overall Range	-40 to 158°F (-40 to 70°C)
	Accuracy (25°C, 40 to 100%RH)	±4.0°F (±2°C)
<b>Logging rate</b>	Selectable sampling interval: From 2 seconds up to 24 hours	
<b>Operating temperature</b>	-31 to 176°F (-35 to 80°C)	
<b>Battery type</b>	3.6V Lithium (1/2 AA) (SAFT LS14250, Tadiran TL-5101 or equivalent)	
<b>Battery life</b>	1 year (typ.) depending on logging rate, ambient temperature, & use of Alarm LEDs	
<b>Dimensions/Weight</b>	4x1x.9" (101x25x23mm) / 6oz (172g)	

## Battery Replacement

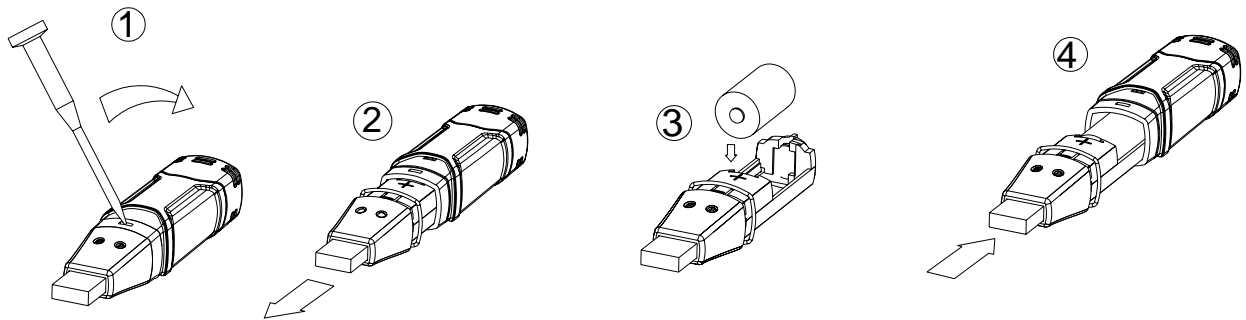
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It is highly recommended that the battery be replaced every 12 months, or prior to logging critical data.

The datalogger does not lose its stored readings when the battery weakens or when the battery is replaced; the data logging process will however be stopped and cannot be re-started until the battery has been replaced and the logged data has been downloaded to PC.

Use only 3.6V lithium batteries. Before replacing the battery, remove the datalogger from the PC. Follow diagrammatic steps 1 through 4 below.

NOTE: Leaving the logger plugged into the PC USB port longer than necessary will cause some of the battery capacity to be lost.



**WARNING:** Handle lithium batteries carefully, observe warnings on battery casing. Dispose of in accordance with local regulations.

## Sensor Reconditioning

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Over time, the internal sensor may be compromised as a result of pollutants, chemical vapors, and other environmental conditions which can lead to inaccurate readings. To recondition the internal sensor, please follow the procedure below:

Bake the Logger at 80°C (176°F) at <5%RH for 36 hours followed by  
20-30°C (70-90°F) at >74%RH for 48 hours (for re-hydration)

If permanent damage to the internal sensor is suspected, replace the Logger immediately to insure accurate readings.

## Warranty

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