

Kestrel® Pocket Weather Meters Specifications

Measurement <i>Response Time</i>	Model	Units	Operational Range	Resolution	Accuracy (+/-)	Specification Range
Wind Speed (Air Velocity) 1 second	All Models	m/s	0.4 to 60.0 m/s	0.1	Larger of 3% of reading or least significant digit	0.4 to 40.0 m/s
		ft/min	59 to 11,948 ft/min	1		59 to 7877 ft/min
		km/h	1.0 to 218.0 km/h	0.1		1.0 to 144.0 km/h
		mph	0.8 to 135.0 mph	1		0.8 to 89.0 mph
		knots	0.6 to 118.3 kt	0.1		0.6 to 78.0 kt
		Beaufort	0 to 12 B	0.1		0 to 12 B
1 inch diameter impeller with precision axle and sapphire bearings. Off-axis accuracy -1% @ 5° off-axis; -2% @ 10°; -3% @ 15°. Calibration drift < 1% after 100 hours use at 16 MPH / 7 m/s. Sustained operation above 60 MPH / 27 m/s will wear impeller rapidly and may cause destruction of impeller. Replacement impeller (NK PN-0801) may be field-installed without tools (US Patent 5,783,753).						
Air Flow 1 second	4100	cfm	0 to 99,999 cfm	1	3% of reading	0 to 99,999 cfm
		m³/h	0 to 99,999 m³/h	1		0 to 99,999 m³/h
		m³/m	0 to 99,999 m³/m	1		0 to 99,999 m³/m
		m³/s	0.0 to 9,999.9 m³/s	0.1		0.0 to 9,999.9 m³/s
		L/s	0 to 99,999 L/s	1		0 to 99,999 L/s
Automatically calculated from Air Velocity measurement and user-specified duct shape (circle or rectangle) and dimensions (units: in, ft, cm or m). Maximum duct dimension input: 258.0 in / 21.5 ft / 655.3 cm / 6.55 m.						
Temperature 1 second	2000 2500 3000 3500 4000 4100	°F	-49.0 to 257.0 °F	0.1	1.8 °F	-20.0 to 158.0 °F
		°C	-45.0 to 125.0 °C	0.1	1.0 °C	-29.0 to 70.0 °C
Measures air, water and snow temperature. Thermally isolated, hermetically sealed, precision thermistor mounted externally (US Patent 5,939,645). Calibration drift negligible.						
Relative Humidity 1 minute	3000 3500 4000 4100	%RH	0.0 to 100.0 %	0.1	3.0 %RH	5.0 to 95.0 % non-condensing
Polymer capacitive humidity sensor mounted in thin-walled chamber external to case for rapid, accurate response (US Patent 6,257,074). (To achieve stated relative humidity accuracy, unit must be permitted to equilibrate to external temperature when exposed to large, rapid temperature changes and must be kept out of direct sunlight.) Calibration drift +/- 2% over 24 months. Relative humidity may be recalibrated at factory or in field using Kestrel Humidity Calibration Kit (NK PN-0824).						
Pressure 1 second (mb & PSI 4000 model only)	2500 3500 4000	inHg	8.86 to 32.48 inHg	0.01	0.05 inHg	At 77.0 °F, <19,700 ft
		hPa / mb	300.0 to 1100.0 hPa / mb	0.1	1.5 hPa / mb	At 25.0 °C, <6,000 m
		PSI	PSI	0.1	PSI	At 77.0 °F, <19,700 ft
Monolithic silicon piezoresistive pressure sensor with second-order temperature correction. Maximum error beyond specified temperature, +/- 0.09 inHg / 3.0 hPa. Calibration drift typically -0.03 inHg / -1.0 hPa per year. Pressure sensor may be recalibrated at factory or in field.						
Altitude 1 second	2500 3500 4000	ft	-6000 to 30000 ft	1	50 ft	At 77.0 °F, <19,700 ft. Max error +/- 98 ft
		m	-2000 to 9000 m	1	15 m	At 25.0 °C, <6,000 m. Max error +/- 30 m
Temperature compensated pressure (barometric) altimeter.						
Wind Chill 1 second	2000 2500 3000 3500 4000 4100	°F	0.7 to 135.0 MPH, -49.0 to 257.0 °F	0.1	1.8 °F	1.8 to 89.0 mph, -50.0 to 50.0 °F
		°C	0.4 to 60.0 m/s, -45.0 to 125.0 °C	0.1	1.0 °C	0.4 to 40 m/s, -45.6 to 10.0 °C
Calculated from the primary measurements of wind speed and temperature. Utilizes the NWS Wind Chill Temperature (WCT) Index, revised 2001, with wind speed adjusted by a factor of 1.5 to yield equivalent results to wind speed measured at 10 m above ground. (Specification temperature limits established by WCT Tables.)						
Heat Index 1 minute	3000 3500 4000 4100	°F	0.0 to 100.0 %RH, -49.0 to 257.0 °F	0.1	3.6 °F	70.0 to 130.0 °F, 0 to 100% RH
		°C	0.0 to 100.0 %RH, -45.0 to 125.0 °C	0.1	2.0 °C	21.1 to 54.4 °C, 0 to 100 %RH
Calculated from the primary measurements of temperature and relative humidity. Utilizes the NWS Heat Index (HI) tables. (Specification temperature limits established by HI tables.)						
Dewpoint 1 minute	3000 3500 4000 4100	°F	0.0 to 100.0 %RH, -49.0 to 257.0 °F	0.1	3.6 °F	-20.0 to 158.0 °F, 20.0 to 95.0% RH
		°C	0.0 to 100.0 %RH, -45.0 to 125.0 °C	0.1	2.0 °C	-29.0 to 70.0 °C, 20.0 to 95.0 %RH
Calculated from the primary measurements of temperature and relative humidity. Temperature to which the air would need to be cooled at a constant pressure to become saturated.						
Wet Bulb Temperature 1 minute	3000 3500 4000	°F	-49.0 to 257.0 °F, 0.0 to 100.0 %RH, 8.86 to 32.48 inHg	0.1	3.6 °F	32.0 to 100.0 °F, 5.0 to 95.0% RH, 8.86 to 32.48 inHg, <19700 ft
		°C	-45.0 to 125.0 °C, 0.0 to 100.0 %RH, 300.0 to 1100.0 hPa	0.1	2.0 °C	0.0 to 37.8 °C, 5.0 to 95.0 %RH, -2000.0 to 9000.0 hPa, <6000 m
Calculated from the primary measurements of temperature, relative humidity and pressure. Temperature indicated by a wet bulb psychrometer.						
Density Altitude 1 second	4000	ft	-49.0 to 257.0 °F, 0.0 to 100.0 % RH, 8.86 to 32.48 inHg	1	246	32.0 to 100.0 °F, 5.0 to 95.0 %RH, 8.86 to 32.48 inHg, <19700 ft
		m	-45.0 to 125.0 °C, 0.0 to 100.0 %RH, 300.0 to 1100.0 hPa	1	75	0.0 - 37.8 °C, 5.0 to 95.0 %RH, -2000 to 9000 hPa, <6000 m
Calculated from the primary measurements of temperature, relative humidity and pressure. Air density converted to equivalent sea level elevation at the International Standard Atmosphere.						
Max / Average Wind Speed (Air Velocity)	All Models	One-button clear and restart of Max Wind Gust and Average Wind measurement.				
Pressure Trend	2500 3500	Continuously updating three-hour barometric pressure trend indicator: rising rapidly, rising, steady, falling, falling rapidly.				
Data Storage / Display	4000 4100	Minimum, maximum, average and logged history stored and displayed for every measured value. 480-point data logger with graphical display. Auto data storage; interval settable from 2 seconds to 12 hours. Manual data capture.				
Data Upload	4000 4100	Requires optional PC interface (NK PN-0830) and provided software. RS-232 connection with USB adapter available.				
Display	1000 2000 3000	Reflective 3 1/2 digit LCD. Digit height 0.36 in / 9 mm.				
	2500 3500	Reflective 4 digit LCD. Digit height 0.36 in / 9 mm.				
	4000 4100	Multifunction, multi-digit programmable dot-matrix display.				
Display Update	All Models	1 second.				
Languages	4000 4100	English, French, German, Italian, Spanish.				
Display Backlight	2000 2500 3000 3500	Aviation green electroluminescent backlight.				
	4000 4100	Choice of aviation green or visible red (4000 only) electroluminescent backlight. Automatic or manual activation.				
Clock / Calendar	2500 3500	Real-time hours:minutes clock.				
	4000 4100	Real-time hours:minutes:seconds clock, calendar, automatic leap-year adjustment.				
Operational Temperature Range (LCD and Batteries)	All Models	The operational temperature range of the liquid crystal display and batteries is 14° F to 131° F / -10 °C to 55 °C. Beyond the limits of the operational temperature range, the unit must be maintained within range and exposed for minimum time necessary to take reading.				
Storage Temperature	All Models	-22 °F to 140 °F / -30 °C to 60 °C.				
Auto Shutdown	2000 2500 3000 3500	After 45 minutes of no key presses.				
	4000 4100	User-selectable: 15 or 60 minutes with no keypresses or disabled.				
Languages	4000 4100	English, French, German, Italian, Spanish.				
Certifications	All Models	CE certified. Individually tested to NIST-traceable standards (written certificate of tests available at additional charge).				
Batteries	2000 2500 3000 3500	CR2032, one, included. Average life, 300 hours of use, +/-depending on backlight use.				
	4000 4100	AAA Alkaline, two, included. Average life, 400 hours of use, +/-depending on backlight use.				
Sealing	All Models	Waterproof (IP67 standard).				
Dimensions	2000 2500 3000 3500	Unit 4.8 x 1.7 x 0.7 in / 122 x 42 x 18 mm. Case 4.8 x 1.9 x 1.1 in / 122 x 48 x 28 mm.				
	4000 4100	Unit 5.0 x 1.8 x 1.1 in / 12.7 x 4.5 x 2.8 cm.				
Weight	2000 2500 3000 3500	Unit 2.3 oz / 65 g. Case 1.3 oz / 37 g.				
	4000 4100	Unit 3.6 oz / 102 g.				