

# Kestrel® 2000 Pocket Thermo Wind Meter Wind Speed, Maximum and Average

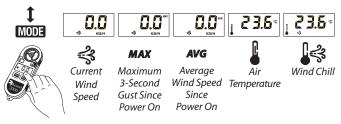


Wind Speed, Temperature and Wind Chill

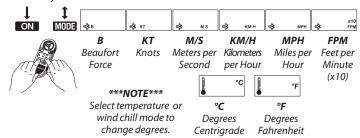
#### **OPERATION**

# 1) Slide off Cover. 2) Turn On: Press [ON] to turn on unit.

3) Select Operating Mode: Press and release [MODE] to change the operating mode. You can select a different operating mode at any time.



 Select Measurement Scale: Hold down [ON] while pressing [MODE] to change the measurement scale. You can select a different scale at any time.



5) Measure wind speed, max and average: Simply point the unit into the air flow you wish to measure.

Measure temperature and wind chill: The Kestrel's temperature sensor is located in the right opening below the impeller. Because it is external to the case, you can take fast and accurate



measurements by simply waving the unit rapidly back and forth OR holding it into an air flow of at least 1 M/S [2 KT, 4 KM/H, 2 MPH or 197 FPM] and reading the display immediately. (The air flow ensures that the temperature sensor measures the temperature of the air, not the case.) Alternatively, you can take accurate readings with no air flow by allowing the case to reach the same temperature as the surrounding air. (If the case is much warmer or cooler than the air, this can take up to 30 minutes.)

#### **SPECIFICATIONS**

#### **Wind Speed Functions**

Operating Modes: Moving 3-second average (43), maximum 3-second gust since power on (MAX) and average since power on (AVG).

Units: Knots (KT), meters per second (M/S), kilometers per hour (KM/H), miles per hour (MPH), feet per minute (FPM) and Beaufort (B).

On-axis Accuracy: greater of  $\pm$  3% or  $\pm$  least significant digit. Off-axis Response: -1% @ 5°, -2% @ 10°, -3% @ 15°.

Calibration Drift: < 2% after 100 hours use at 7 M/S [~14 KT, 25 KM/H, 16

MPH or 1400 FPM].

Minimum Speed: 0.3 M/S [~0.6 KT, 1.0 KM/H, 0.7 MPH or 59.0 FPM]. Maximum Speed: 40 M/S [~78 KT, 144 KM/H, 89 MPH or 7877 FPM].

#### Temperature and Wind Chill Functions

Operating Modes: Temperature ( ), wind chill ( ).
Units: Degrees Centigrade (°C) and degrees Fahrenheit (°F).

Accuracy: ± 1.0°C.

Minimum Temperature:  $-30^{\circ}$ C [-22°F]. Maximum Temperature:  $70^{\circ}$ C [158°F].

#### Display

Type: Reflective 3½ digit LCD. Digit Height: 9 mm. [0.36 in.].

Update: 1 second.

Range and Resolution: Depends on measurement scale selected – see chart:

Scale	Range	Resolution
KT, M/S, KM/H		
MPH, °C & °F	0.0-199.9	0.1
FPM	0-1,999	1
2	,000-19,990	10
%	0-100	1

Temperature Limitations: Normal operation from -15°C to 60°C [-4°F to 140°F]. Below -15°C [-4°F], accurate readings may be taken by keeping the unit warmer than -15°C [4°F] and exposing it for the minimum time necessary to take a reading (less than one minute).

Auto Shutdown: 30 minutes after last key press.

#### **Environmental**

Buttons: Two sealed tactile rubber buttons control all functions. Battery: User-replaceable CR2032 coin cell. Typical life, 800 hrs.

Sealing: Electronics enclosure IP67 – water resistant to 1 m. [3 ft.]. Floats.

Shock: Drop tested to 2 m. [6 ft.].

Storage Temperature: Prolonged exposure to temperatures below -20℃ [-4°F] or above 80°C [176°F] may cause permanent damage.

### Physical

Impeller: 25 mm. [1 in.] diameter, sapphire bearings, light weight. User-replaceable impeller/housing assembly.

Temperature Sensor: Hermetically sealed precision thermistor.

Case: Slip-on case prevents damage to display and moving parts.

Dimensions: 122 x 42 x 14 mm. [4.8 x 1.7 x 0.6 in.]; case, 117 x 46 x 19 mm. [4.6 x 1.8 x 0.7 in.]; lanyard, 0.5 m. [10 in.].

Weight: Unit, 43 g. [1.5 oz.]; case, 23 g. [0.8 oz.].

The Kestrel turns itself off automatically after 30 minutes of no button presses.

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#### **MAINTENANCE & TROUBLESHOOTING**

#### **Storing Your Kestrel**

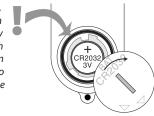
Avoid storing your Kestrel where it will be exposed to temperatures below  $-20^{\circ}\text{C}$  [- $4^{\circ}\text{F}$ ] or above  $80^{\circ}\text{C}$  [ $176^{\circ}\text{F}$ ] for extended periods of time. Doing so may permanently damage the LCD, electronics, battery or enclosure. (Note that the inside of a car parked in the hot sun can reach very high temperatures.) If the temperature of the actual LCD of your unit exceeds  $70^{\circ}\text{C}$  [ $158^{\circ}\text{F}$ ], it will temporarily become solid black until it cools down to below this temperature.

#### Use of the Lanyard and Cover

Your Kestrel is shipped with the slip-on cover captivated by the lanyard to prevent loss. If you prefer to be able to remove the cover entirely, open the lanyard end cap with a small screw driver, then remove the slip-lock. Slide the cover completely off the lanyard, then reassemble the slip-lock and lanyard end cap as before.

#### Replacing the Battery

When your display grows dim or blank, replace the battery. Use a large coin to open the battery compartment. Insert a new CR2032 coin cell (available wherever watch batteries are sold), positive (+) pole up. When replacing the battery door, be sure to keep the black rubber o-ring seated in the groove on the case back.



# Why does the Impeller Appear Imbalanced?

It is NORMAL for the impeller to oscillate as it comes to a stop. It is NOT imbalanced. Rather, it contains a very small magnet which responds to the earth's magnetic fields. This does not affect the accuracy of the windspeed readings because the magnetic field applies both a braking and an accelerating force which cancel each other. The impeller has been calibrated to be accurate to within at least  $\pm$  3%.

#### **High Speed Use**

After several hours of sustained operation over 25 M/S (~49 KT, 90 KM/H, 56 — MPH or 4,923 FPM), the Kestrel will lose some accuracy due to wear of the



sapphire bearings in the impeller assembly. If you require accurate high AND low speed measurements, we recommend a second impeller.

#### Troubleshooting a Damaged Impeller

If the impeller rotates, but only "0" or "—" shows on the display, the impeller may no longer be sending a signal to the unit. Test the unit by turning it on and placing it near an electromagnetic source (i.e. back of computer monitor or TV). If the display shows any number other than "0" or "—", the unit does not need to be returned but does need a new impeller assembly. Contact Nielsen-Kellerman Australia, PTY Ltd. or your place of purchase to order a replacement.

#### Replacing the Impeller

Press FIRMLY on the sides of the black impeller housing with your thumbs to remove the entire housing. When inserting the new impeller, be sure the arrowis facing the display side of the unit, and is aligned with the top of the meter. Press on the sides of the housing rather than the center.

<u>Force</u>	<u>Description</u>	<u>Kts</u>
0	Calm	0
1	Light Air	1-3
2	Light Breeze	4-6
3	Gentle Breeze	7-10
4	Moderate Breeze	11-16
5	Fresh Breeze	17-21
6	Strong Breeze	22-27
7	Near Gale	28-33
8	Gale	34-40
9	Strong Gale	41-47
10	Storm	48-55
11	Violent Storm	56-63
12+	Hurricane	64+

#### **BEAUFORT SCALE**

The **Beaufort Scale** is a system for estimating wind force without the use of instruments based on the visible effects of the wind on the physical environment. The behavior of smoke, waves, trees, etc., is rated on a 13 point scale. The scale was devised in 1805 by the British naval Commander Sir Francis Beaufort (1774-1875) and is still commonly used by mariners.

#### **WIND CHILL**

The Kestrel 2000 automatically calculates wind chill, which can provide useful guidance when preparing for cold-weather outdoor activities. "Wind chill" provides an indication of how cold it feels given the combined effects of the actual air temperature and the wind speed. For more information about the derivation and meaning of wind chill, visit <a href="https://www.nkhome.com">www.nkhome.com</a>.

## WHAT IS A KESTREL?

What is a "Kestrel"? The American Kestrel is the smallest North American falcon. Beautiful and highly adaptable, it can be found virtually everywhere in North America. It is unique among falcons for its ability to both hover at very low speeds and dive at very high speeds.





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#### YOUR WARRANTY

Nielsen Kellerman Australia warrants to the original purchaser that the product sold by it is free from defects in the material and workmanship for the period of one (1) year from the original date of purchase. The obligations of Nielsen Kellerman Australia under this warranty are limited to repair and replacement of such part or parts of the unit as shall be found upon inspection to be defective in material or workmanship. This warranty does not cover damages due to misuse, abuse or accidents, negligence of the precautions, improper maintenance, cracked or broken cases, tampering, missing seals, batteries or return postage/freight. Any service carried out by a third party other than Nielsen Kellerman authorized service personnel during the warranty period voids the warranty.

#### **EXCHANGES & RETURNS:**

Exchanges and returns are to be made within seven (7) working days and must be accompanied with proof of purchase. Items which have been opened, used or broken or which have parts missing will not be accepted for return or exchange.

All goods returned within seven (7) days for credit will be charged a 10% restocking fee plus any freight charges incurred. All goods paid by credit card will have their credit card credited less the above chargers. All warranty claims must be sent to our office for inspection. Proof of purchase must be supplied at time of warranty claim with goods returned. If not supplied repairs will be charged and payable by customer. All repaired parts & exchange units shall be covered by the warranty above for a period of three (3) months only from time of repair or exchange. Return postage /freight and batteries are not covered by this warranty.

#### WARRANTY RETURNS:

Please enclose Cheque or Money order for \$8.00 to cover return post and handling.



#### **CLIP & MAIL**

Please complete and mail this warranty registration within two (2) weeks of the date of purchase. This information will allow NK to better serve you in the future if your unit becomes lost or damaged.

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