



Model: GM1358

## Digital Sound Level Meter Operation manual



Version: GM1358-EN-00

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### A. Introduction

This equipment has been designed to meet the measurement requirement of Safety Engineers, Health, Industrial Safety offices and Sound Quality control in various environment, which include factory, office, traffic, family, and audio system.

This equipment has the following functions:

1. It is designed according to the IEC651 TYPE2 & ANSI S1.4 TYPE2
2. Accuracy up to  $\pm 1.5$  dB
3. Measurement range: 30~130 dB
4. Weight A or weight C selection
5. Fast & Slow dynamic characteristic modes.
6. AC and DC output for frequency analyzer level recorder, FFT analyzer, graphic recorder etc.
7. Auto power off

### B. Safety Notice

**Operation Environmental condition:**

1. Below 2000 meters in height;
2. Operation humidity: 10~85%RH
3. Operation temperature: 0~40°C

**Maintenance:**

Use dry cloth to clean the unit, but never with any solvent.

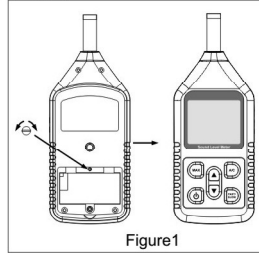


Figure 1

### C. Calibration Procedures:

Please use a Standard Acoustic Calibrator.

1. Make the following settings:  
Equivalent weight: A      Time weight: FAST  
Level range: 60 to 110 dB  
Measurement mode: MAX function disable

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2. Insert the microphone carefully into the 1/2 inch hole of the Calibrator.
3. Turn on the Calibrator and adjust the Protentiometer inside the battery compartment of the unit (shown in the Figure 1), until the LCD display the desired Level 94.0dB.

\*\*Our products are all well calibrated before Shipment.  
Recommended recalibration cycle: 1 year.

### D. Name and functions (Figure 2)

1. Electret Condenser Microphone.
2. LCD Display.
3. Power switch
4. Level range control switch:  
30dB~80dB; 50dB~100dB; 60dB~110dB;  
80dB~130dB; 30~130dB
5. Maximum value hold switch. (MAX)
6. Equivalent weight select switch:  
A: A weight for general sound level measurements.  
C: C weight for checking the low frequency content of noise.

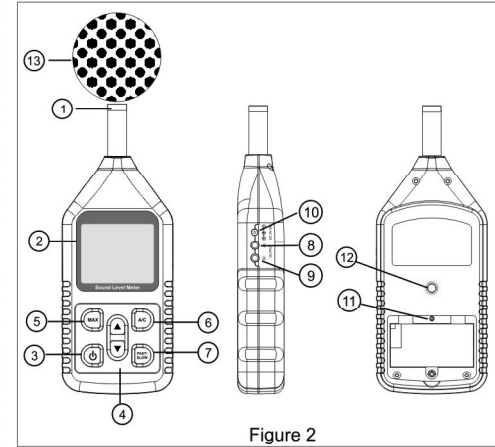


Figure 2

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7. Time weight select switch:  
Fast: For normal measurements.  
Slow: For checking average level of fluctuating noise.
8. AC output terminal: 0.707 Vrms Corresponding to each range step.
9. DC out put terminal: output 10 mV/ dB
10. External DC 6V power supply terminal.
11. Calibration control
12. Tripod mounting screw.
13. Windscreen.

### E. LCD Display (Figure 3)

1. Level range.
2. Under range.
3. Low battery indication.
4. Maximum value is held during measuring.
5. Measuring value.
6. Measuring Unit.
7. Frequency weight A/C.
8. Bar graph.
9. Over range.
10. Slow time weight.
11. Fast time weight.

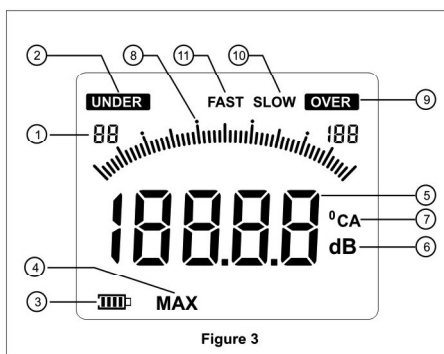


Figure 3

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### F. Pre-operations:

1. Open the battery door and insert 9V battery into the battery compartment.
2. Cover the battery door.
3. The icon "|||||" appears on the LCD when there is low battery, then replace the battery immediately.
4. When the DC adapter is used, insert the plugs (3.5  $\phi$ ) of the adapter into the DC 6V connector.

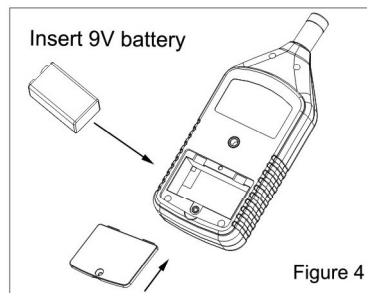


Figure 4

### G. Operation

1. ON/OFF key:
  - a. Short press on the key "⏻" to turn the unit on and it will turn off automatically if there is no key operation within 10 minutes.
  - b. Long press on the key "⏻" for about 3 seconds and UOFF characters shows on the LCD, then the unit can only be turned off manually with the deactivation of the auto turn-off function.
2. Select the desired measuring range until the LCD not display "Under" or "Over"
3. If measure general noise sound level, please select dBA.
4. If the sound source consists of the short bursts of only catching sound peak, set response to FAST.
5. When MAX mode is chosen. The instrument hold the maximum noise level.

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### H. Caution

1. Do not operate the unit at high temperature and Humidity environment.
2. Please take out battery from unit if not in use for any extended period of time.
3. Once using the unit in the presence of wind, it is must to mount the windscreen to make sure not pick up undesired signals.

### I. Specification

|                       |   |
|-----------------------|---|
| Measuring range       | 30~130dBA, 35~130dBC  |
| Accuracy              | $\pm 1.5$ dB (under reference conditions)   |
| Frequency range       | 31.5Hz~8KHz   |
| Level range           | 30~80, 50~100, 60~110, 80~130, 30~130dB   |
| Frequency weighting   | A / C   |
| Digital Display       | 4digits   |
| Resolution            | 0.1dB   |
| Sample rate           | 2 times/second  |
| Bar graph             | Display for 0~30dB: one scale unit denotes 2 dB<br>Fother levels: one scale unit denotes 1 dB |
| Over indication       | OVER / UNDER  |
| AC output             | 0.707Vrms at FS output impedance<br>approx. 600 ohm   |
| DC output             | 10mV/dB, output impedance approx. 100ohm  |
| Time weight           | FAST / SLOW   |
| Microphone            | 1/2 inch electret condenser microphone  |
| Max                   | MAX   |
| Power supply          | 9V battery  |
| Power life            | About 30 hours (alkaline battery)   |
| Self calibration time | 3 s   |
| Operating condition   | 0~40°C, 10~80%RH  |
| Storage condition     | -10~60°C, 10~70%RH  |
| Weight                | 230g (including battery)  |
| Dimension             | 207*70*29mm   |

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Our company reserves the right to modify the product design and the instruction. We will not give further notice for any changes!



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