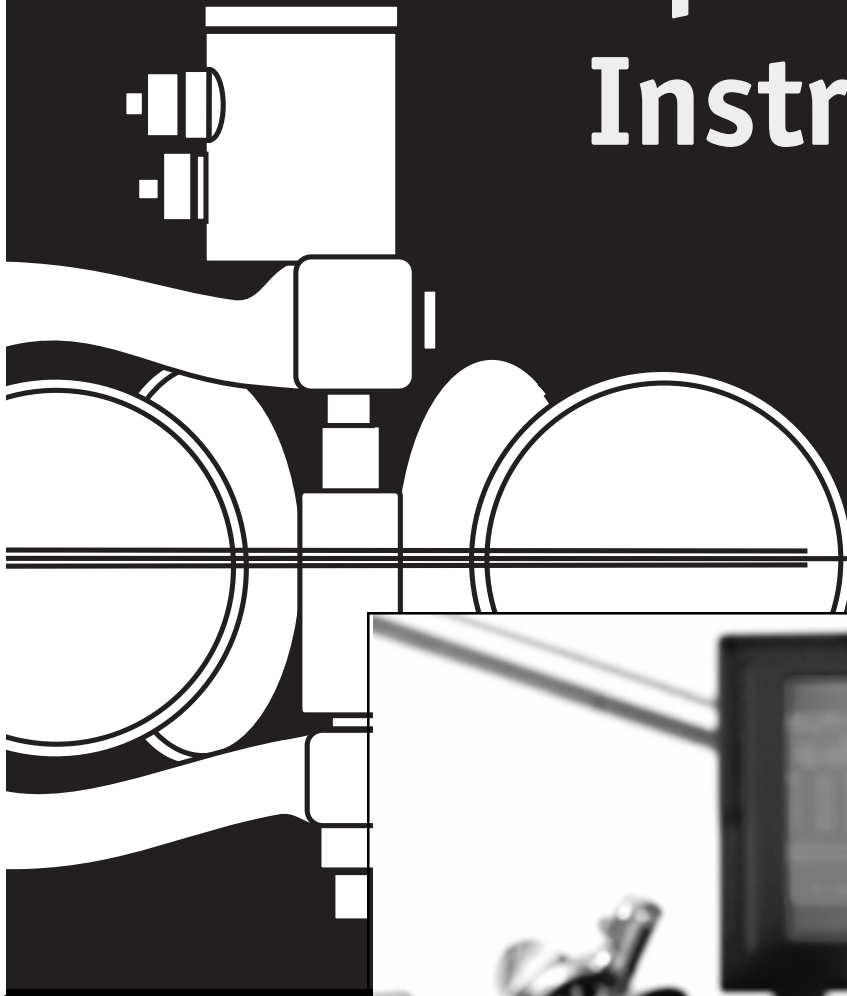


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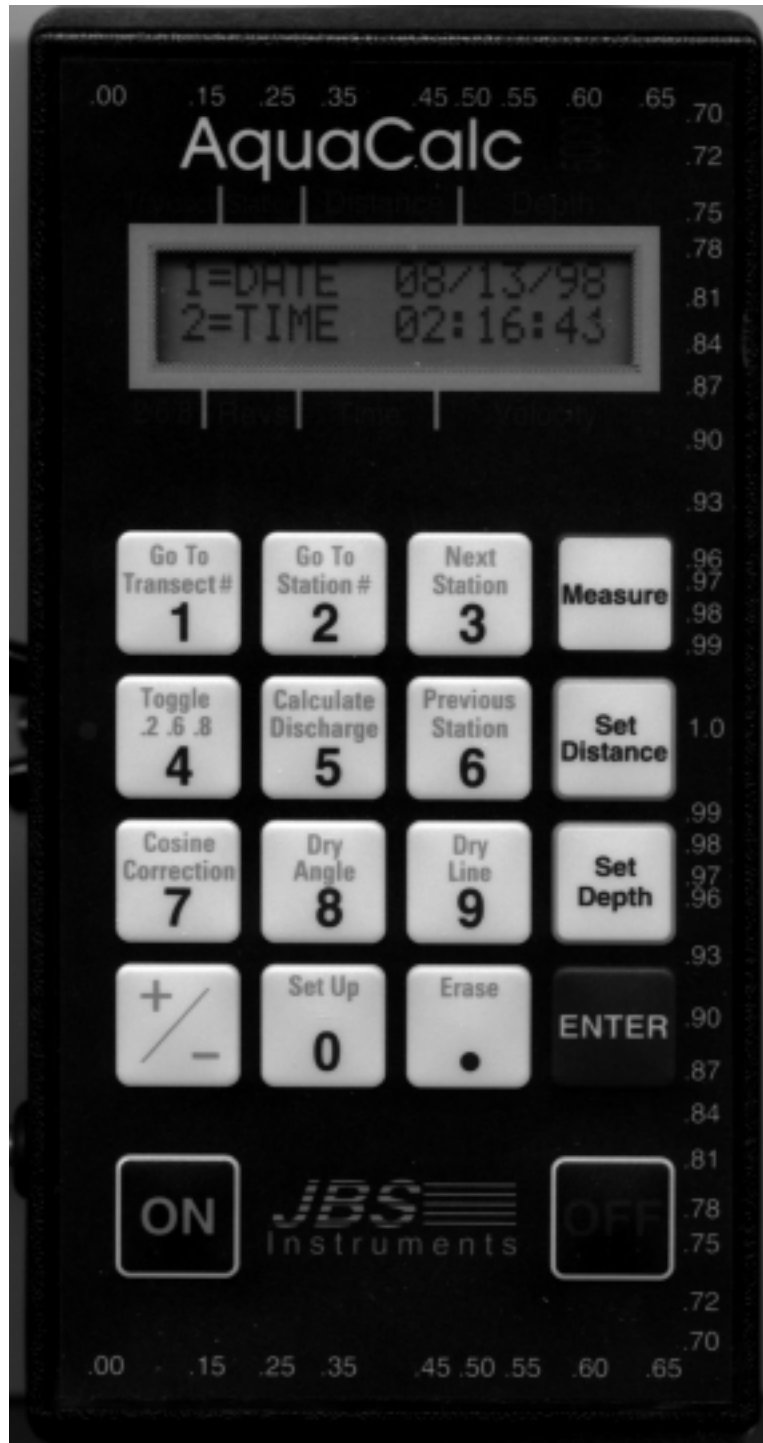
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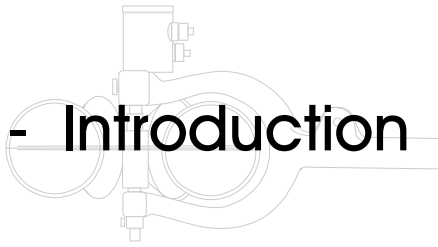
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1 - Introduction



Collecting stream data used to require juggling an arm load of gadgets while counting clicks, writing notes, and performing calculations. Not any more. AquaCalc does it for you -- automatically.

You enter the depth and distance at each station. AquaCalc measures velocity and elapsed time. Then, AquaCalc calculates the total stream discharge and mean velocity. After stream measurement is complete, you can transfer the data to a laptop or personal computer. It's the fastest, easiest, and most accurate and complete stream measurement instrument available today.

See Key Definitions

We suggest you browse through the individual key descriptions in the **The Keyboard** section to see what each key does, and then skip directly to the "A Sample Transect" section to see how the keys are used in practice.

The AquaCalc 5000 will help you work faster and more efficiently, whether you are a seasoned hydrographer measuring many streams, or a scientist collecting research data.

The AquaCalc improves accuracy in the field and saves time in the office. It eliminates transcription errors by transferring the data directly to a personal computer, using a standard ASCII format.

Your AquaCalc 5000 is designed for years of trouble free operation. It is sturdy, water resistant and will become an indispensable tool for any hydrographer.



Using Non-Standard Current Meters

If you are using a non-standard current meter that requires annual calibration or if it has been calibrated in a metric tow tank, see the heading "Meas.Std: Setting the Measurement Standard" in the "Using the AquaCalc" section.

Improving accuracy

If the user follows these simple rules, errors and loss of stream measurement data will be greatly reduced:

- Read and understand the AquaCalc manual.
- Always review your data before leaving the stream to insure good data entry.
- At a minimum, always write down the following information in your field notes: the transect number, total Q, and the mean velocity.
- Upload your data immediately after your measurement to your lap top computer.

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The AquaCalc is just a tool and like all tools is subject to the users abilities. This instrument is not intended to take the place of years of experience in the field, but was developed to aid the experienced user. The AquaCalc is a computer, and as with all computers, the output is only as good as the data that is entered. It is important to understand that the data in the AquaCalc is subject to loss under unusual conditions, and you should take all necessary steps to insure that the data is transferred to an external computer as soon as possible.

Built to Last

High quality materials have been used throughout the construction of the unit, so that it will withstand the usual drops, vibrations, pollutants (smog, ozone), temperature extremes, and humidity variations that it may encounter in normal everyday use.

The AquaCalc is weather resistant, and will withstand prolonged exposure to extreme temperatures, sunlight, and precipitation.

The membrane switch pad was designed for a long life and provides a positive tactile feel for entering data.

The Intel 80C31 Central Processing Unit (CPU), and the copyrighted operating system firmware that controls the CPU, will provide you fast and reliable computations, along with storage and retrieval of data. The unit has been designed for versatility, and to accommodate future enhancements and upgrades.

Important Notes

To achieve continued trouble free use of the instrument pay particular attention to the current meter's "cat whisker" contacts located in the contact chamber. The proper setting and a good maintenance program will insure trouble free counting of the current meter revolutions . The use of a magnetic head in place of the contact chamber will even provide better results.

If you are not familiar with the USGS established procedures for measuring discharge of surface waters, it is imperative that you obtain assistance prior to the collection of surface water records. Other methods of stream flow data collection, while acceptable for hand calculation methods, will generate errors in the volume calculations when used with the AquaCalc.

Quick Tips

The AquaCalc can be operated manually or one can use the automated functions that are built into the AquaCalc. Following are some tips and tricks that will help you become more familiar with the AquaCalc while it is being used.

Special “Press and Hold” Functions

Certain keys have an alternate function when you “Press and Hold” the key for a about a second.

- **Automated Next Station features**

To use the automated data entry mode, **Press and Hold (P&H)**, the **Next Station** key. This will automatically set up your next station for a measurement. The distance will be carried or calculated, the depth and cosine correction will be carried from the previous measurement. The automatic values may be changed at any time.

- **Controlling the Automated Mode**

The automated mode of the AquaCalc is controlled by the **Next Station** key and the settings of the **+Chg Auto Carry / *Depth *.6 *COS** screen. The data entry process is automated when the **Next Station** key is pressed and held until the display changes. We recommend this technique as the preferred method of going to the next distance.

The asterisk in front of the .6 in the **+Chg Auto Carry / *Depth *.6 *COS** screen indicates a sixth tenths automated wading measurement. When the asterisk is removed from .6 the AquaCalc is set up for a .2 and .8 measurement either wading or sounding.

- **Erasing Data using Press and Hold**

If a mistake is made when automatically advancing to the next observation or vertical and no other data exists beyond the bad station, while in the bad station Press and Hold the Erase key. This will erase the stations from the current station to the end of the current transect. Press the **Previous Station** key then Press and Hold the **Next Station** key to start over again.

- **Reviewing Subsection data**

To review subsection data such as discharge, velocity, percent of estimated, area and more Press and Hold the **Enter** key. Remember, the station must be completed to calculate and display correct data.

- **Automated Top-set wading rod depths at .2 and .8**

Pressing and holding the **Toggle .2 .6 .8** key while in the measurement screen will give you a display showing you where to set your wading rod for a .2 or .8 measurement. Note that the sounding weight must be set to zero.

Other Tips

- **Inserting and Deleting Stations**

The + /- key can be used in the measurement screen to insert a station before the current station or delete the current station.

- **Saving Partial Measurements**

If you are performing a measurement and the clock “times out” (indicating very low or zero stream velocity), press the +/- key to save the partial information. This helps when you are later reviewing the data and find zero Revs, Time, and Velocity to determine if you forgot to measure at that station. Following this rule will also insure the proper calculation of your cross-section.

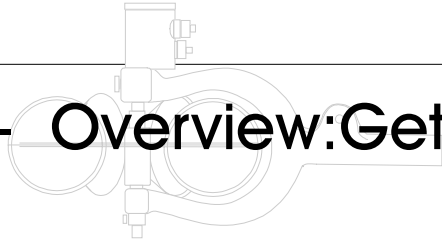
- **Enter your gaging station ID!**

The gaging station ID is used to identify transects when moving between transects. When advancing to a different transect, a transect status display screen will appear providing the user with information about the transect including: the number of the transect, if it has data in it, the date it was entered and the gaging station ID number.

- **Setting the Sounding Weight: Cable / Suspension Measurements**

Enter a non-zero value for the Sounding Weight in the **Transect Information / Hardware** menu section, tells the AquaCalc that you are performing a suspended / cable measurement. With a non-zero weight the AquaCalc will calculate correct the cable length setting for your reel and display it when you Press and Hold the **Toggle .2. 6. 8** key in the measurement screen. Setting the Sounding weight to zero tells the AquaCalc that you are performing a wading measurement with a to-setting rod.

2 - Overview: Getting Started



This section provides a quick overview and will give you the basics of performing a stream measurement with the AquaCalc. **If you read nothing else in this manual, read this chapter!**

Stream measurement is an exacting art, so we believe that it is important to read the entire manual before using the AquaCalc in the stream. This section is designed to give you an overview on the use of an AquaCalc, and to point you to the appropriate chapters for further detail.

Un-Packing

Every AquaCalc comes with several basic accessories. Check to confirm that you have received the following:

- 1 **AquaCalc**
- 2 **AquaCalc to wading rod cable** - eight pin round AquaCalc connector to wading rod phone type connector.
- 3 **AquaCalc to PC data transfer cable** - eight pin round AquaCalc connector to square nine pin serial port connector
- 4 **Registration card** - Please mail this in, it is very important for software upgrade notices.
- 5 **This manual.**

In addition you may have ordered and received some of the optional accessories, such as the Rod mount, and Rod adaptor, which make using the AquaCalc with a top-set wading rod much easier. See the "AquaCalc Accessories" chapter for more information on useful accessories.

Start It Up

Turn on the AquaCalc by pressing the On key. (You may turn off the AquaCalc by pressing and holding the Off key.) As the AquaCalc starts it will display the following messages:

System Check

The AquaCalc performs a system check that includes the memory and battery when it is turned on. See the Troubleshooting chapter if you receive any messages indicating problems.

Transect	Station	Distance	Depth
AQUACALC 5000			
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2/6/8	Revs	Time	Velocity

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Low battery warning:

If the message "**Please Replace, Low Battery**" appears in the display, you have approximately 5 minutes of operation remaining before the 9 volt battery must be replaced. If you completely exhaust the 9 volt battery during a measurement, the on-board back-up battery will retain the stored measurements. If power is lost during a measurement, that data may be scrambled and unusable. We recommend replacing the battery promptly upon seeing this message.

Corrupted Memory

If you get the message "Corrupted Memory" the AquaCalc has a problem. See the *Troubleshooting* chapter immediately!

Transect	Station	Distance	Depth
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2/6/8	Revs	Time	Velocity

The AquaCalc will then display the Date and Time screen. Pressing the 1 or 2 will allow you to change the date or time respectively.

Transect	Station	Distance	Depth
1=DATE 01/07/96 2=TIME 11:02:22			
2/6/8	Revs	Time	Velocity

When the user presses **Enter**, the screen will then show the number of observations used and the number of observations remaining in memory. The maximum number of observations available is 872. This value of 872 observations is equivalent to approximately 29 cross-sections with 30 verticals at 6 tenths. Remember the maximum number of transects available is 15 and even though you have observations available if you use all 15 transects you are out of transect memory. You will have to erase one or more transects to make any further measurements.

Transect	Station	Distance	Depth
872 OF 900 OBS. AVAILABLE			
2/6/8	Revs	Time	Velocity

When the user again presses **Enter**, the screen will then show the status of the last transect that was being used before the instrument was last turned off. If the transect is empty then the following display will appear. This display states that the first transect is empty with a station ID of 0.

Transect	Station	Distance	Depth
1 TRANSECT EMPTY 0			
2/6/8	Revs	Time	Velocity

If a transect has stored information then the following screen will be displayed. The number of the current transect is displayed along with the date the measurement was taken and on the bottom line the Station ID#.

Transect	Station	Distance	Depth
1	DATED 10/05/98		123456789012345
2/6/8	Revs	Time	Velocity

When the user presses **Enter**, the screen will then show the last transect and station that was being used before the instrument was last turned off. If your AquaCalc is new, you will see data that was used to test the AquaCalc.

The Measurement Screen

Note: Stations 1 and 99 are reserved

Station 1 and station 99 are used by the AquaCalc to insure there is a beginning and an end to every transect. Velocity measurements cannot be made in these two stations.

The most common screen or display when using the AquaCalc is the measurement display, which is available while making transect measurements. The measurement display has several display areas denoted by the headings above and below the display screen:

Transect	Station	Distance	Depth
1	7	9.66	6.00
6	35	40.5	12.00
2/6/8	Revs	Time	Velocity

Counting and Timing the Revolutions:

The AquaCalc starts the timer as soon as the measure key is pressed. However, as soon as the first revolution is detected the AquaCalc automatically restarts the timer at the first revolution.

These areas are used in the measurement process as follows:

Transect

The Transect area shows the current transect. The AquaCalc can store up to fifteen unique stream discharge measurements or *transects*. Due to display limitation, transects 1-9 are entered and displayed as numbers, while transects 10 through 15 are entered as numbers (10-15) but displayed as letters (A -F). Use the **Go To Transect #** key in the Measurement screen to move between transects, entering the transect number as requested.

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A Sample Transect:

See the "A Sample Transect" chapter for a detailed keystroke-by-keystroke example of a transect measurement.

Station

Do not confuse an AquaCalc station with a vertical measurement station. The station number corresponds to a storage location in the AquaCalc and not a tag line distance. Each transect can contain up to 99 stations which, for example allows for velocity measurements at 5 vertical positions at each tag line distance or vertical station for up to 19 verticals across the stream. Velocity measurements can not be made in stations 1 and 99. Move between stations using the **Next Station**, **Previous Station**, and **Go To Station #** keys.

Distance

The distance as read from the tag line or measurement tape. Several measurements at different vertical locations (Surface, .2, .6, .8 & Bottom) can be made at the same Distance. These measurements will each have a different Station number but will have the same distance. Distances are entered either with the Set Distance key, or calculated automatically by the AquaCalc in its automated mode.

Depth

Depth of water from surface to bottom at a given Station. Use the **Set Depth** key to enter the depth.

2/6/8 (Vertical Location)

Indicates the meter position in a vertical station indicated by S, .2, .6, .8, B, or W. S = surface, B = Bottom and W is used to denote a vertical wall measurement. When pressed and held, the **Toggle .2 .6 .8** key is used to change the vertical station location. A brief push of the button will display a recommended height based on the stream depth which should be used to set the wading rod.

Revs (Revolutions)

Shows the count associated with the completed revolutions of the bucket wheel. This is colloquially known as a "click".

Time

Reports elapsed measuring time. The AquaCalc is designed to begin timing the revolutions at a count equal to zero, and to stop the timer at the next count following 40 seconds. The time displayed is accurate to a tenth of a second.

The default measurement time is 40 seconds. The AquaCalc defaults to a 40 second measurement time when the instrument is turned on. This measurement time can be changed in the System Setup menu and set to a value from 0 to 99 seconds. *Warning: Setting the measurement time value to zero seconds will cause the AquaCalc not to measure when the measure key is pressed.*

Velocity

The station velocities are displayed in the lower right hand corner of the display. When the Measure key is depressed the timer starts the clicks are counted and the running average velocity is displayed until the measurement is completed. When finished counting, the AquaCalc will display the average measured velocity.

Preparing to Measure

Before using your AquaCalc you must ensure that it is set up properly for the type of current meter you are using, the type of measurement you are making, and identify conditions at the measurement site. In addition you must clear any previous measurements out of the transect number you wish to store the new transect measurements

System and Transect setting are discussed only briefly in this overview, but are discussed in detail in the “Setting Up the AquaCalc” chapter.

Entering Transect Information

The AquaCalc can store information used to identify the person performing the measurement, the site being measured, and record certain conditions at the time of measurement such as a staff gage height. These **transect information** items can include:

Edge -Of-Water Defined

The edge of water (EOW) is defined in the AquaCalc as a distance with a depth of zero. A wall is a special case and is treated differently. Note: The edge of water at a wall is defined as a distance and a depth but since a velocity measurement can not be taken on the face of a wall revolutions and time must be zero for the AquaCalc to calculate the sub Q at the wall properly.

- Hydrographer identifier
- Gage or site identifier
- Gage house reading at the beginning and end of the transect measurement
- Staff gage height at the beginning and end of the transect measurement
- Type of current meter used: i.e.: AA, Pygmy, other
- Current meter identifier
- Sounding weight (for suspended measurements)

Additional information is entered about the transect to help with the measurement process, and various operating modes (such as those used in ice measurements) are set:

- Length is Measurement
- Method for handling turbulent flows
- Estimated discharge
- An in-stream adjustment factor to Estimated Discharge
- Maximum discharge per station

- A value for a multiplier used to adjust two-tenths only measurements
- Selecting the default measurement auto fill-in or “Auto Carry” method
- Multiplier to be used in 2 tenths only measurements, often used in flood conditions.
- Indicator identifying whether the transect was started at the Left-Edge-Of Water (LEW) or the Right-Edge-Of-Water (REW)
- Cosine correction mode
- Ice mode
- Percent Slope

A complete explanation of AquaCalc Transect settings can be found in the “Setting Up the AquaCalc” chapter.

System Settings

As needed you may also change AquaCalc System Settings. These include:

- **Date and time**
- **A number identifying the AquaCalc being used for the measurement**
- **Setting the mode used to automatically enter your next distance in a transect**
- **Power saving mode - Setting manual or automatic power off.**
- **Setting the measurement standard (English or metric)**
- **Setting data transfer (baud) rates for use when transferring data to a computer.**
- **Entering Non-Standard current meters rating curves and equations (See the chapter “Using Current Meters with the AquaCalc”)**

These settings are discussed in more detail in the *Setting up the AquaCalc* chapter.

Erasing Measurements and Transects

Before measuring, it is important to clear out measurement information from a previous transect. If this is your first time using your new AquaCalc there is no need to clear out information, just read and proceed to the next section.

The **Erase** key is used in different menu areas to clear transects and measurements, and to completely reset the AquaCalc to its system default values. You may:

- **Erase selected measurements** - clearing only certain measurements,

- **Erase measurement information only** - leaving the transect information intact from a previous transect,
- **Erase an entire transect** - including all measurements and transect information,
- **Reset the AquaCalc** - restoring system defaults and deleting any custom preferences, nonstandard current meter definitions, and all other settings. (*Use considerable caution!*)

Erasing selected measurements in a transect

The Erase key can be used while in the measurement display to erase the station number in the transect that is currently displayed along with all of the station numbers in the same transect, that follow it. This can be used with station numbers 2 through 98.

In the measurement screen, go to the Transect that contains the measurements you wish to erase. Use the **Next Station** and **Previous Station** keys to select the station number where you wish to begin erasing. Press and hold the **Erase** key. The following display will appear:

Transect	Station	Distance	Depth
ENTER to Reset Stations to End			
2/6/8	Revs	Time	Velocity

Press the **Enter** key to confirm and erase, any other key to cancel. All stations in this transect from the current station number to station #99 will be erased. All transect and identifying information will be retained.

Erasing *all* measurements in a transect

If you use the above procedure in station #1, all measurements in the transect will be erased. In addition, certain transect “header” information will be erased. Header information is printed in the header of the transect output and records information such as what time the transect measurement started.

Erasing an entire transect

When you wish to completely clear one of the fifteen transects in the AquaCalc, including all identifying information and all measurements:

- 1) While in the **Measurement Screen**, select the transect to be erased using the **Go To Transect #** key
- 2) Go to the **Main Menu** by pressing the **Setup** key
- 3) Select the “**1=TrInfo**” (Transect Information) option by pressing the **1** key

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- 4) Select “**1=ID & Hdwr Info**” (Identification and Hardware Information) option by pressing the **1** key
- 5) At the Set User ID# Screen press and hold the Erase key for 3 seconds
- 6) Press **Enter** at the **ENTER to Reset Transect** screen to completely erase the current transect, or any other key to cancel.

Resetting the AquaCalc to the system default settings

The AquaCalc may be completely reset, with all previous measurements, transect information, nonstandard current meter settings, and all other customized setting lost. *This option should be used with great caution!* To erase all AquaCalc data and reset to system defaults:

Warning: By following these steps you will completely erase and reset the AquaCalc!

- 1) Turn off the AquaCalc by pressing and holding the Off key
- 2) Turn on the AquaCalc, at the Date /Time Screen, press and hold the Erase key for 3 seconds
- 3) Press the Enter key at the Enter to Reset AQ5000 screen, or any other key to cancel.

The AquaCalc has now been completely reset to system defaults.

Performing a Basic Stream Measurement

Once you have setup the AquaCalc using the procedures detailed in “Setting Up the AquaCalc” chapter, you are ready to measure the discharge of an open channel.

Step 1: Connecting the AquaCalc to the wading rod

Turn off the AquaCalc, then connect the AquaCalc to a wading rod or cable reel using the Current Meter cable (Part number AQ5C-82-2) provided. The round 8 pin connector attaches to the AquaCalc’s “pig-tail” (the short cable.) The AquaCalc must be connected to a current meter (Price AA, Pygmy or Non-Standard) to operate properly.

See the *Using Current Meters with the AquaCalc* chapter for more information on current meters.

Step 2: Testing for proper operation before measuring

Before performing a transect measurement, you must first field test the instrument and the current meter to insure good electrical connections and proper operation. Testing basically involves spinning the cups, visually counting the revolutions as the cups spin down, and comparing this to the revolutions reported in the AquaCalc display while it performs a test measurement. This test can be performed at the same time that you “spin test” the current meter.

A spin test involves giving the current meter a rapid spin in still air and recording the time until the cups stop moving. USGS spin test times for Price Type AA and Pygmy meters are shown in the following table:

Meter	Normal spin	Minimum spin
Price “AA”	4 min	1.5 min
Pygmy	1.5 min	0.5 min

To perform a field test:

Step A: Go to the Measurement Screen

Turn on the AquaCalc. Press the **Enter** key to clear the Date /Time screen and to display the measurement screen.

Transect	Station	Distance	Depth
1	2	0.0	0.00
6	0	0.0	0.00

2/6/8 | Revs | Time | Velocity

Step B: Go to an available transect

At the Measurement screen press the **Go to Transect #** and enter an unused and available transect number. If this is your first time using the AquaCalc you can use Transect #1, as it contains only quality control test data entered by JBS Instruments.

The AquaCalc can store fifteen transects that are entered as the numbers 1-15 (Due to display limitations, transects 10-15 are represented by the letters A-F respectively.)

Step C: Go to an appropriate station

Measurements may not be made in Station #1 or #99 of a transect (these locations are used to store the Edge-of-Water information) so use the **Next Station** button to go to any station but Station #1 or 99.

Step D: Spin the cups and count revolutions, note spin down time

Start the cups on the current meter spinning and press **Measure**. The timer will immediately start and then restart after the first revolution of the cups. After the first revolution, the counter will show revolutions and the running average velocity will be displayed.

If for some reason the AquaCalc fails to count the revolutions about the routine by Pressing **ENTER** two times and Press **Measure** again. If the problem continues, refer to the *Troubleshooting* chapter in this manual.

Step E: Verify spin down time and counts

Be sure that the revolutions reported by the AquaCalc and your visual count matches. If not, check your connections for broken wires and insecure couplings. A low battery condition can also cause clicks to be miscounted. Also check the adjustment of the whisker hair.

A badly corroded or oily whisker hair will cause an audible scratchy sound in the head set, but the AquaCalc will not acknowledge this sound as a good signal. See the "Using Current Meters with the AquaCalc chapter for more information.

After you have confirmed proper operation of the AquaCalc and the current meter in combination, you may proceed to the stream for your measurement.

Step 3: Begin to Measure

For our example, we are performing a simple default 6 tenths wading measurement. This example will not use any of the automated features of the AquaCalc.

To use the automated features of the AquaCalc you must press and hold (P&H) the Next Station key. When using this automated feature the power on defaults set up the AquaCalc for a single measurement at the 6 tenths observation depth (LOC), carry the previous depth and cosine correction value.

Let's begin.

- 1) Establish your tag line and prepare yourself to measure.
- 2) Prepare the AquaCalc. Select an available AquaCalc transect location in the AquaCalc:
 - a) Press the **Go To Transect #** key followed by the AquaCalc transect number (1 through 15) while in the **Measurement** screen. You will see a screen which informs you of the status of the current database either empty or the date a measurement was taken along with the station ID number.
 - b) Repeatedly press the **Previous Station** key to go to the first Station #1 in the AquaCalc.

If there are existing measurements in the rest of this transect's stations, you can erase them by pressing and holding the **Erase** button for three seconds while in Station #1. See *Erasing Measurements and Transects* in this chapter.

3) Due to limitations in the AquaCalc it is best to leave Station #1 in the AquaCalc empty. Leave Station #1 empty.

Press the **Next Station** key to move to Station #2.

4) Establish the Edge-of-Water (EOW) in the AquaCalc. No measurement can be made at the EOW, so no measurements should be made at Station #2. Press the **Set Distance** key and enter the tag line distance at the EOW.

Press the **Enter** key to continue.

If you are at a wall, enter the depth at the wall by pressing the **Set Depth** key and entering the stream depth from the top of the water to the bottom of the wall, then press the **Enter** key.

Note: Walls are handled as a special case. The edge of water at a wall is identified as a station with a positive distance and a depth greater than zero. Since a velocity measurement can not be taken at the face of a wall, the number of revolutions and the time as reported in the AquaCalc display, must be equal to zero. Otherwise the AquaCalc will not properly calculate the subsection discharge (Q) at the wall. Do not perform a measurement at a wall.

5) Press the **Next Station** key to move to Station #3. Move to your first measurement location in the stream.

Note: The **Next Station** key will respond to pressing and immediately releasing or pressing and holding the key. Just pressing the key will advance you to the next station, while pressing and holding this key will setup the automated features available in the AquaCalc. Read the section on Keypad: Key-by-Key Descriptions.

6) Press the **Set Distance** key. Enter the distance read from the tag line. Press **Enter** or Press **Set Depth**.

Note: By pressing Set Depth instead of Enter the AquaCalc will automatically enter the distance and ready the AquaCalc to accept the Depth.

7) If you pressed Enter, Press **Set Depth**. Enter the depth of the stream. Press **Enter**.

Transect	Station	Distance	Depth
1	2	2.0	2.00
6	0	0.0	0.00

2/6/8	Revs	Time	Velocity
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8) Once you are in moving water with the cups are spinning and stable, activate the measurement routine by pressing the **Measure** key. The AquaCalc will immediately start timing, counting the clicks, and displaying the running mean velocity.

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9) When the AquaCalc has satisfactorily completed its measurement the Measurement Complete screen will appear, showing counts, elapsed time, and velocity for the measurement.

Transect	Station	Distance	Depth
MEAS. COMPLETE			
6	92	40.3	4.783
2/6/8	Revs	Time	Velocity

Press the **Enter** key to continue.

10) Press and **hold** the **Next Station** key to initiate the Auto Distance mode. (Pressing the Next Station briefly takes you to the next station without carrying the previous station's depth, or automatically calculating the next distance.)

Transect	Station	Distance	Depth
+Nxt Dist. orLOC			
1=S	2	8	9=B
2/6/8	Revs	Time	Velocity

The Next Distance or Location screen will appear as above. Note that in the display below the 6 is missing. This indicates that at this distance the user has already performed a 6 tenths measurement / observation and can now select from one of the remaining locations or press the +/- key to advance to the next distance. Also note the +W selection for a wall is missing.

11) Select the +/- key to continue to the next tag line location. If you were performing another measurement at the same tag line vertical location, you would select one of the indicated numbers for the next vertical location.

12) Repeat the previous steps for each station in the transect.

Note: At any point in the transect the procedural warning flags, station discharge, station percent of estimated total Q, station area and station velocity can be obtained by selecting a station and P&H the ENTER key.

Step 4: Closing the Transect

Important: Close your transect properly

The last station must have a positive distance and a zero depth.

To properly close a transect and calculate the discharge, the AquaCalc must have an ending station *with a zero depth* to represent the edge of water.

In the case of an ending wall, enter the ending wall distance and depth as usual, but *add a station following the wall with a depth of zero*. The distance you enter in this station is not critical, so long as it is greater than zero. It is helpful to use a distance beyond the closing wall location.

Step 4: Calculating Total Stream Discharge

12) After completing the measurement at the last station, Press **Next Station** and enter the ending EOW location as read on the Tag Line and input a depth of zero. Note: As with the beginning Edge of Water, this *must* be entered.

15) Press **Calculate Discharge**.

16) The AquaCalc will display “**Calculating Discharge**” followed by the **Total Discharge, Percent Difference of the Estimated Q** and **Mean Velocity** screen as follows:

Transect	Station	Distance	Depth
TOT Q:		163.00	
%Q:	7.0	v:	2.12
2/6/8	Revs	Time	Velocity

With a second screen displaying **Width** and **Area**:

Transect	Station	Distance	Depth
WIDTH:		30.00	
AREA:		225.00	
2/6/8	Revs	Time	Velocity

18) To continue with another measurement, Press **Go To Transect#** followed by a number from 1 to 15(F) which corresponds to a new transect location.

Step 5: Transfer Transect and Measurement Data to Your Computer

The AquaCalc can send the measurement data to your computer. Please see the chapter, *Transferring Data to Your Computer*, for detailed instructions.

Special Problems

Working with Walls

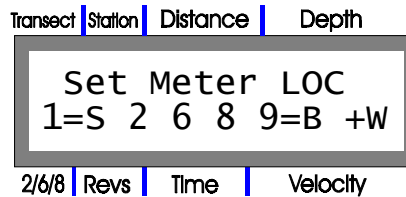
Walls present special problems when using the AquaCalc. Walls will have a distance and depth associated with them, but no measurement will be made at the wall. Correction factors can be applied to the measurement adjacent to the wall to correct for the decrease in flow in the subsection adjacent to the wall.

Identifying a Wall

A vertical wall is indicated in the AquaCalc by selecting “W” from the LOC Variable screen.

To set the Location variable indicator to Wall (W):

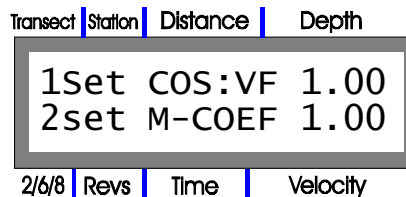
In the Measurement screen, press the **Toggle .2 .6 .8** key.



Select the Wall location by pressing the +/- key (the **+W** option onscreen). The Measurement screen will now show a **W** in the 2/6/8 location identifier.

Vertical Wall Measurement (Vertical Factor)

It is often necessary to obtain the “mean vertical velocity” at a vertical wall such as a bridge, pier, or vertical canal wall. Since it is impossible to measure the velocity on the face of the wall, a Vertical Factor can be applied to this station by pressing the **Cosine Correction** key. This will display the Correction Factor screen:



Press the **1** key and enter a vertical wall factor (VF) pressing **Enter** to return to the Measurement screen.

When a Vertical Factor is entered at a measurement/station that has a distance and a depth greater than zero *and* a velocity equal to zero (no measurement has been taken), the AquaCalc will multiply the adjacent station's velocity by the Vertical Factor to obtain a velocity.

See the *Sample Transects* chapter for a sample of a measurement using a Vertical Factor.

Ending a Transect with a Wall

To properly close a transect and calculate the discharge, the AquaCalc must have an ending station *with a zero depth* to represent the edge of water.

In the case of an ending wall with a depth greater than zero, enter the ending wall distance and depth as usual, but *add a station following the wall with a depth of zero*. The distance you enter in this station is not critical, so long as it is greater than zero. It is helpful to use a distance beyond the closing wall location.

Measurement in Turbulent and Surging Flows

In surging flows, the AquaCalc may have a difficult time completing a measurement. Usually this means that the hydrographer is trying to measure at a poor location and should move to another tag line location. The AquaCalc 5000 Advanced has two modes for handling turbulent or surging flows: The Turbulent Flow Reset mode (the default and most accurate mode) and the Allow Turbulent Flows mode.

Turbulent flows are a difficult measurement situation. The USGS advises that when a surging flow is encountered, the measurement location be changed to a more stable flow pattern so that the measurement accuracy and quality is not effected. This is not always practical, and so the AquaCalc provides for two different methods of handling turbulent flow conditions.

The AquaCalc does not count the first "click"

The first click the AquaCalc hears is used to start the internal timer / stopwatch and the next "click" is counted as the beginning of the first revolution: click number one.

Turbulent Flow Reset Mode

When encountering surging flows in the stream, the AquaCalc will look for a stable flow before starting the measurement routine. Once started measuring, if the unit continues to encounter unstable flow conditions in its default mode, it will reset the counter and timer, and begin again. This is called a "Turbulent Flow Reset". The AquaCalc will continue to reset like this until a stable flow is encountered for the duration of the measurement.

Allow Turbulent Flows

If you must measure in surging flow conditions, you can use the “Allow Turbulent Flows” mode. In this mode, the AquaCalc will not reset the counter and timer when it encounters a moderately turbulent flow. Instead it will display a small “t” next to the revolution counter, indicating that it has experienced a turbulent flow, and make an entry in the warnings section of the output: NOTE: Turbulent Velocity Measurements Allowed.

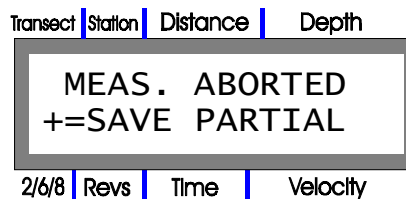
In the event of extremely turbulent flows (or poorly adjusted current meters, and bad electrical connections) the AquaCalc will reset even while in the “Allow...” mode. If a reset occurs in the Allow mode, check all connections and/or select another measurement location.

Measurements performed in this mode may not meet USGS quality control standards.

See the Setting Up: Transect 7 System Settings / Entering Transect Information section for information on setting the AquaCalc’s measurement modes.

When the Cups Don’t Spin: An Aborted Measurement

If you begin a measurement but the cups do not spin or the AquaCalc does not receive a “click” in the specified measurement time (the revolution counter remains at zero), the following message will appear:



To have a legal station you must save the time, thereby indicating to the AquaCalc that a measurement was attempted but no velocity was recorded.. To save the time associated with the measurement, Press the "+/-" key at the above screen.

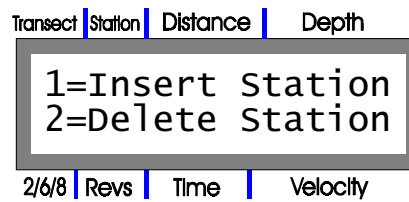
Slow Flow: One “Click” Measurements

The AquaCalc does not count the first “click”, but instead uses it to reset the time to zero, and begin timing until the next “click”. This assures that the first full revolution is timed correctly.

If the AquaCalc receives one “click” or count from the current meter, it will continue to try to count until it receives the next “click”. If the clock exceeds 99 seconds and the second “click” has not occurred you will see the above message. Save the time associated with the measurement, Press the "+/-" key at the above screen.

Inserting and Deleting Stations

You may insert a station before your current station, or delete your current station by pressing the + / - key in the measurement screen. The following screen will appear giving you the option to insert or delete a station.



Press 1 to insert a station before your current station, or 2 to delete the current station.

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3- Using Current Meters with the AquaCalc

Overview

Think magnetic

We highly recommend using a "magnetic head" with the AquaCalc.

The AquaCalc 5000 can be used either with a standard contact chamber (using either "cat whiskers" or "cable and ball" contacts) supplied with most current meters, "magnetic head" (a reed switch actuated by a permanent magnet integrated into the upper meter shaft) or the optical head. It is imperative to the operation of the AquaCalc that the pickups in contact chambers be free of dirt and oil and adjusted to factory specifications.

Use of the Magnetic and Optical Heads

Use of optical heads on older units

To use an optical head with older AquaCalc 5000 you must insure that the pigtail cable on your AquaCalc has seven pins and that you are using a firmware version AQCUSH8 or later. Older units had pigtails with six pins and can not handle the signal from the Optical head. Older AquaCalcs with serial numbers prior to 400 will not support the optical head at all.

The AquaCalc works best with a magnetic head. This type of head eliminates missed counts and double counts associated with improperly adjusted or dirty whisker hairs. The magnetic head is field replaceable and requires no special tools.

The magnetic head pickup, when used with a headset, may be confusing because it generates two click sounds for every rotation of the current meter. The AquaCalc 5000, however, senses first an open and then a closed circuit, therefore only one click is counted. This type of signal is preferred by the AquaCalc over that produced by the whisker hair or cable and ball contacts.

Optical heads are supported by newer AquaCalc 5000s with the Advanced firmware and behave much like magnetic heads.

Adjustment of Current Meter Whisker Hair

If you use whiskers, we recommend platinum!

The platinum cat whisker is the recommended whisker contact set for use with the AquaCalc. The platinum whisker's resistance to corrosion and it's ease of adjustment make it's use preferable and will lead to better measurements.

The adjustment of the cat whiskers varies from current meter to current meter. We designed the software and hardware to accommodate all of the problems we have found that were associated with noise coming from the contact circuit, but if the contacts are grossly out of adjustment, dirty or oily, problems may occur.

The correct adjustment for the cat whisker contact is to adjust the hair so that it is in contact with the cam lobe for approximately **60 degrees of rotation (dwell)**.

Adjustment of the Cable and Ball Contact

The adjustment of the cable and ball contacts also varies from current meter to current meter. The correct adjustment for the cable and ball type contact is to adjust the cable so that the ball is in contact with the cam lobe for approximately 60 degrees of rotation (dwell.)

Current Meter Sensitivity: “Resetting”

In its default mode, the AquaCalc will reset the timer and counter when it encounters turbulent or surging flow conditions.

The AquaCalc’s sensitivity standard for turbulent or pulsating flow has been established by a committee made up of experienced hydrologists and hydrographers from the United States Geological Survey. This sensitivity standard is to insure accurate measurements under varying field conditions.

The default and preferred mode of operation is called the Turbulent Flow Reset mode. An alternate mode (the Allow Turbulent Flows mode) is available that decreases the likelihood of a reset under adverse conditions, but also decreases the quality of the measurement.

The sensitivity standard for the AquaCalc was established to assist the user in obtaining the most accurate measurement possible given the conditions under which measurements are taken. The sensitivity is set in such a way that under turbulent, pulsating velocities the AquaCalc will reset the timer and revolutions to zero and automatically attempt to remeasure. If this condition persists at this vertical it is then recommended to move either up or down the tag line to a new vertical in an attempt to eliminate this problem and obtain a more accurate measurement. If the AquaCalc continues to reset then it is suggested that you select another measurement section.

The Pygmy current meter because of the small mass of the bucket wheel is more susceptible to resetting than the Price “AA”. The Pygmy is highly susceptible to resetting under turbulent conditions because of its smaller bucket wheel and its difficulty in maintaining the cat whisker contacts. If the site absolutely has to be measured then the following are remedies used by field people:

When the AquaCalc “resets” during measurements

The AquaCalc restarts its measurement when it encounters pulsating velocities. You must change your measurement technique in these situations.

- 1) Use a headset and measure by hand and rate it appropriately (preferred)
- 2) Set the AquaCalc to 20 seconds or less
- 3) Use the Price "AA"

Selecting the Current Meter Type

The default meter type for the AquaCalc is the Price Type AA using Standard Rating Table No. 2. Five other meter types may be selected, in addition, nonstandard current meters can be used.

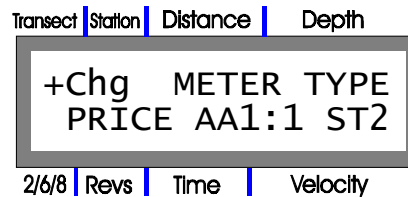
To select the meter type:

With the AquaCalc in the transect number to be measured in,

- Press the **Setup** key to bring up the Main Menu
- Select the **1=TrInfo** option by pressing the **1** key at the Main Menu
- Select the **1=ID & Hdwr Info** option by pressing the **1** key
- Press the **Enter** key repeatedly until the **+Chg METER TYPE** screen appears.:

Whoops: The Wrong Meter?

Should the operator realize that the wrong meter type or meter serial # was selected from the AquaCalc's menu, after all transect measurements have been completed, all is not lost! By selecting the actual meter used from the menu and pressing the calculate discharge key the correct discharge will be recalculated with no negative impact on the measurement.



You may select one of the following current meters:

- Price AA 1:1 Standard Rating No. 2 (PRICE AA1:1 ST2),
- Price AA 5:1 Standard Rating No. 2 (PRICE AA5:1 ST2),
- Pygmy Standard Rating No. 2 (PYGMY ST2),
- Price AA 1:1 Standard Rating No. 1 (PRICE AA1:1 ST1),
- Price AA 5:1 Standard rating No. 1 (PRICE AA5:1 ST1),
- Pygmy Standard Rating No. 1 (PYGMY ST1), or
- Non-Standard. (See the following section)

Use the +/- key to cycle through the meter selections. Press **ENTER** to complete the selection.

When you turn on the AquaCalc for the first time, the factory default setting is the Price AA 1:1.

Using Non-Standard Current Meters

In addition to the built in current meter rating curves for the default Price AA and Pygmy meters, the AquaCalc can store the rating curves for ten additional user defined “nonstandard” current meters.

These nonstandard meters are given an index number in the AquaCalc from 0 to 9 and the user can store an identification number for each. This allows the user to quickly select the meter being used from a menu.

To use a nonstandard current meter, the user needs to know the “rating curve” or the equation that define the relationship between the number of revolutions per second that the cups spin, and the measured velocity.

If you are using a metric meter please see “Setting the Measurement Standard” in the *Setting Up* chapter.

Meter Rating Curve Primer

As used by the USGS, meter rating curves are either a single or a pair of equations that define the relationship between the number of revolutions per second (counts divided by time) of the current meter cups and measured water velocity.

Single equation rating curves:

Single segment rating curves have fewer “constants”. For a simpler single segment equation, enter C1 and C2, and leave C3, C4, C5 equal to zero.

Nonstandard current meter rating curves are stored in the AquaCalc as a series of five “constants” that represent the one or two equations of a meter rating curve.

Note: In the examples that follow, the Type AA equations are used as an example only. Equations are stored in the AquaCalc for the default meters shown above which include the Type AA meter. It is not necessary to enter the equation constants for the meters listed above, they are already stored in the AquaCalc.

Single segment equations

The new Type AA Standard No. 1 Rating Table equation is a single line segment equation. One straight line is defined by two constants in the equation and in the AquaCalc.

The equation takes the form:

$$Y = m * X + b$$

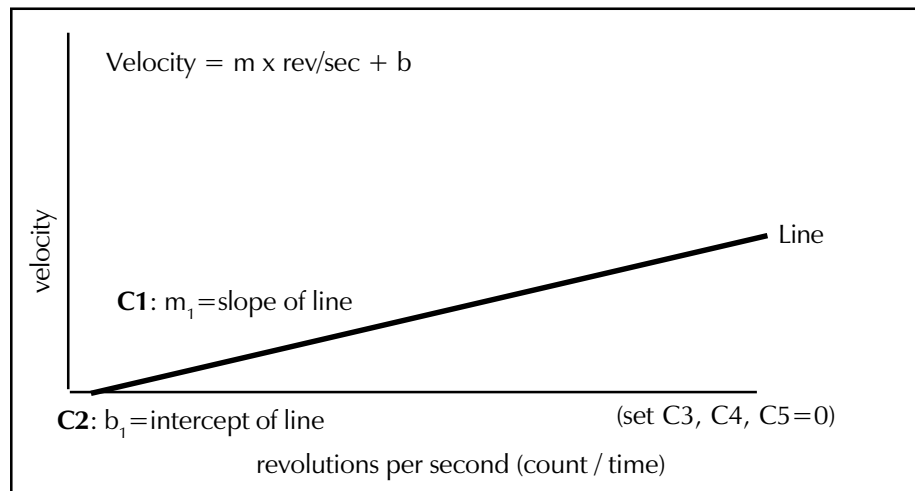
or

$$\text{Velocity} = m * (\text{revolutions/second}) + b$$

where m is the slope of the line, and b is the intercept.

The AquaCalc uses five “constants”, C1 through C5, to represent the values that define the equation. In a single segment equation (such as in the Standard No. 2 for the Type AA meter) you enter the values for constants C1 and C2 and enter a value of zero (0) into constants C3, C4, and C5.

The following chart shows a single segment rating curve equation and the corresponding constants:



Two segment equations

Some current meter ratings (such as the old Type AA Standard Rating No. 1) use two equations: one of which is used for lower velocities, the other for higher. A crossover velocity is also specified. It indicates the velocity at which you begin to use the second equation.

Each equation takes the form:

$$Y = m \cdot X + b$$

or

$$\text{Velocity} = m * (\text{revolutions/second}) + b$$

where m is the slope of the line, and b is the intercept.

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An example of the old Type AA Rating Table Standard No. 1 with the equations is shown below.

UNITED STATES
DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR
GEOLOGICAL SURVEY
Water Resources Division

RATING TABLE FOR TYPE AA CURRENT METER

EQUATIONS: $V = 2.180R + .020$ $2.200 < R < 2.170R + .030$ Std Rating No. 1

Time in Seconds	VELOCITY IN FEET PER SECOND										Time in Seconds
	Revolutions										
	3	5	7	10	15	20	25	30	40		
40	.184	.232	.452	.565	.838	1.11	1.38	1.66	2.20	40	
41	.180	.286	.392	.562	.818	1.08	1.35	1.62	2.15	41	
42	.176	.280	.383	.539	.799	1.06	1.32	1.58	2.10	42	
43	.172	.273	.375	.527	.790	1.03	1.29	1.54	2.05	43	
44	.169	.268	.367	.515	.783	1.01	1.26	1.51	2.00	44	
45	.165	.262	.359	.504	.747	.989	1.23	1.47	1.95	45	
46	.162	.257	.352	.494	.731	.968	1.20	1.44	1.92	46	

The USGS Standard No. 1 rating curve for a Type AA current meter is shown on the Rating Table above as:

EQUATIONS: $V = 2.18R + .20(2.200 < R < 2.170R + .030$

In this equation, R is the revolutions / second, V is the velocity.

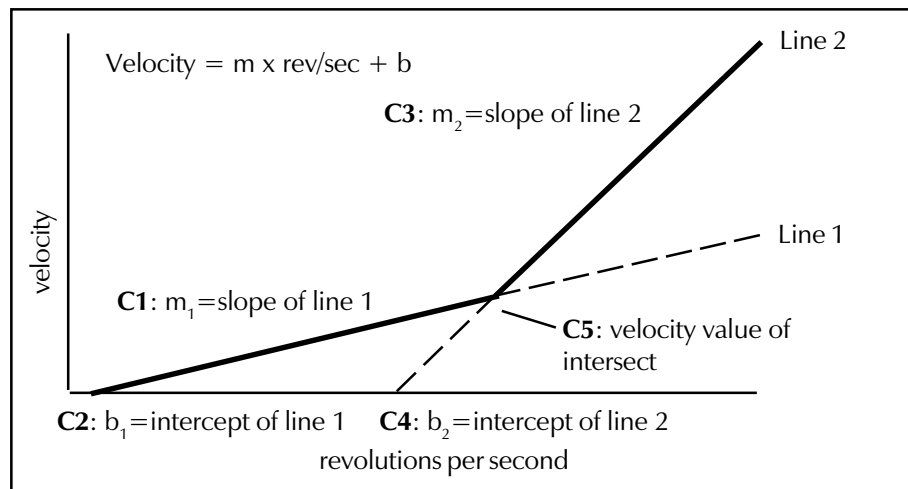
The above equation is interpreted as two line segments, with the velocity at which they intersect in parenthesis:

Line 1: $Velocity_1 = 2.180 \times rev/sec + .020$

for velocities greater than 2.200 the equation is

Line 2: $Velocity_2 = 2.170 \times rev/sec + .030$

These equations can be represented as two intersecting lines on a graph as in the following figure.



AquaCalc Meter Constants

Nonstandard current meter rating curves are stored in the AquaCalc as a series of five “constants” that represent the two equations or intersecting lines of a meter rating curve.

Constants C1 and C2 correspond to m_1 , and b_1 for the first equation respectively and C3 and C4 to m_2 , and b_2 for the second equation. The constant C5 is the velocity value at the intersection of the two straight lines.

So for the sample Type AA Standard No. 1 two-segment equation example used above:

EQUATIONS: $V=2.18R + .020(2.200)$ $2.170R + .030$

The constants to be entered would be:

C1 = 2.18
C2 = .020
C3 = 2.170
C4 = .030
C5 = 2.200

A single segment rating curve equation (such as the new Type AA Standard No. 2) would be entered as:

C1 = 2.2048
C2 = 0.0178
C3 = 0
C4 = 0
C5 = 0

Remember: The standard ratings used above as examples are built into your AquaCalc. You do not need to enter constants for the standard rating tables, simply select one of the default meters in the Change Meter Type screen.

Storing Current Meter Rating Equations in the AquaCalc

The AquaCalc with the Advanced firmware can store up to ten different rating curves for nonstandard current meters. Each is automatically given an index number from 0 to 9. The user assigns a unique six digit identifying number to each for easier reference. This ID number usually corresponds to the current meter serial number, and is used to select the nonstandard meter when setting up a transect prior to measuring.

We refer to this list of meters as the **Meter Table**. After selecting an index number and assigning an meter identification number, the user enters the five values representing the meter rating curve equation(s) and the intersect, as defined under the previous heading.

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Step-by-Step: Setting Current Meter Ratings

Nonstandard meter settings are setup in the System Settings menu.

- Press the **Setup (0)** key to access the **Main Menu**.
- Press the **2 (2 = System)** key to enter the **System Setup**.
- Press **Enter** until the following screen appears:

```
Transect | Station | Distance | Depth
+Set    NON STD.
Meter Table
2/6/8 | Revs | Time | Velocity
```

To view the meters in the Meter Table press the +/- key. This will show the screen:

```
Transect | Station | Distance | Depth
+Chg    NEXT MTR 0
Meter ID: 000000
2/6/8 | Revs | Time | Velocity
```

Continuing to press the +/- key will cycle through the 10 nonstandard meter locations numbered 0-9. When you reach the meter index you wish to use Press **Enter** to edit that meter.

Press the +/- key to edit the Meter ID as shown below. Up to 6 digits including a dash may be entered as the ID #. This meter ID number usually corresponds to the current meter serial number. Press **Enter** to complete the selection. It is important to give each nonstandard current meter a different ID number. If you do not, you will have difficulty selecting the correct meter settings to use when setting up a transect.

```
Transect | Station | Distance | Depth
+Set    METER ID 2
Meter ID:      ?
2/6/8 | Revs | Time | Velocity
```

The next screen will request the constant C1, press the +/- key to change or enter this constant. Once you have entered the value, press **Enter**.

Transect	Station	Distance	Depth
+Set CONSTANT 2			
C1= 0.000			
2/6/8	Revs	Time	Velocity

The AquaCalc will prompt you for each of the remaining constants C2 through C5. Enter them as you entered Constant 1 (C1) above.

If you are entering a current meter rating that has only one equation or segment, enter C1 and C2 only, and leave constants C3, C4 and C5 equal to zero.

After entering all five "constants", you will now be returned back to the **+Set NON STD. / Meter Table screen**, press Enter to return to the Main Menu.

Setting the Meter Identifier - METER ID#

After you have selected the meter type you will be presented with the Meter Identifier screen. This screen allows you to record the Serial Number or some other identifying number of the current meter used to measure the stream. Up to six digits including a period and a dash can be entered. Up to ten Non-Standard meters and their constants can be entered into the Non-Standard meter table and identified by a six digit meter ID or serial number including a period and a dash. The Non-Standard meter table is located in the System Setup area.

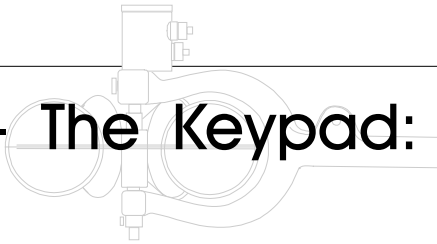
Transect	Station	Distance	Depth
+Set Meter I.D.			
1234			
2/6/8	Revs	Time	Velocity

Press the +/- key and enter your **METER ID#**. Press **ENTER** to complete the entry.

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4 - The Keypad: Key-by-Key Descriptions



Overview

The AquaCalc 5000 has 16 keys in addition to the On and Off keys. Most of the keys serve more than one function, and several will initiate special action when pressed and held for a short time.

The keys assist you in data collection, as well as entering the data necessary to obtain a discharge measurement. These same keys can also be used to:

Press and Hold keys

Some keys have a different function when they are pressed and held for a short time. These are identified as "Press & Hold" keys

- Select, enter, and edit AquaCalc System Information as well as Transect specific information, such as distance, and depth.
- Calculate discharge at any station during the measurement, as well as upon completion of the measurement.
- Erase and reset all transects, a single transect, or all stations from current station to end.
- Transferring / Uploading transect information to a personal computer.



Control Keys



On - Turn the AquaCalc on

The ON key activates the instrument's keyboard and display. Upon power-on the instrument automatically performs an initial self diagnostic test, including checking the condition of the 9 volt battery. At the completion of this self-test, the user is prompted to enter the Date and Time. Pressing any key defaults the AquaCalc into the Measurement Area.



Off - Turn off the AquaCalc

The OFF key must be depressed for one second the display will read "Powering Down".

Note:

The OFF key must be depressed for one second.

The OFF button must be held down for one second to manually turn off the instrument. This time delay is designed to insure that the instrument isn't

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inadvertently turned off during use. If the **Auto Power-Off** mode is selected the AquaCalc will power down after 10 minutes of idle time (no keys being pressed). This feature has been added to extend the life of the 9 volt battery.

When turned off, all data entered, collected and stored in the memory of the AquaCalc is continuously maintained by the 3 volt lithium battery mounted on the PC board. This battery has a life of approximately 1 year.



ENTER - Complete an entry

This key is primary used to finish entering required input, such as depth and distance. It is also used to scroll through System and Transect Information menus.

Data entries with the AquaCalc can be streamlined by using the ENTER key to complete the task.

As an example, a depth of 5 feet would be entered as 5.00; *performing four keystrokes*. By using the ENTER key to complete the task, the operator would key in 5, then Press ENTER which would complete the entry; *for a total of two keystrokes*. Using the automated approach all decimal and zeros are entered automatically.

ENTER - Press and Hold

When reviewing station data the enter button can be used to access subsection data. Pressing and holding the ENTER button in any station will display information about the warning flags, subsection discharge, subsection % of estimated total flow, subsection area and subsection velocity. Caution using this function on an uncompleted vertical can yield erroneous information. It is best to use this function after the completion of the next section or after initiating calculate discharge.

Data Entry Short Cut:

Data entry using the AquaCalc can be streamlined by using the ENTER key to complete the task.

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Set Distance - Enter tag line distance

This key is used to enter the distance as read directly from the tag line.

Normally this key is the first one used when entering data. The distances entered can be any positive number and can be entered sequentially in either ascending or descending order.

Typically, users stretch a tag line across the transect to provide a convenient reference for the distance values. The first station is normally the head stake, with the second station being the Edge of Water. The distance is read directly from the tag line in feet or meters.

As you move to each new station, enter the corresponding tag line readings

by pressing the **Set Distance** key. The bottom line of the display will read "**Set DISTANCE**" and a question mark will appear in the "Distance" location on the display. Then enter the tag line reading and press either the **ENTER**, the **Set Depth**, or **Measure** keys, all of which will enter the value into the AquaCalc.

The distance numbers allowed are 0.0 to 9999 feet. If a full entry with 1 digit to the right of the decimal place is keyed in, it will be automatically entered without the need to press any other keys.



Set Depth - Set stream depth

This key is a two function key. When pressed allows the user to input the depth.

This key is used to enter the depth read directly off of a wading rod, sounding reel, or the depth of the stream at the vertical measurement station. This key will also complete a distance entry in the same manner as the **ENTER** and **Measure** keys.

When the cups don't spin:

When the AquaCalc times out because the current meter cups are not rotating, the display will read:
**"MEAS. ABORTED,
 +=SAVE PARTIAL"**.

To save the time associated with the measurement, Press the "+/-" key.

Normally this key is used after the distance is input when entering data. When used after inputting the distance it will enter the distance and set up the display for a depth entry.

The **Set Depth** key is used to input the depth of the water at the point of measurement. When pressed, the bottom line of the display will read "**Set Depth**" and a question mark will appear in the Depth area of the display. The depth numbers allowed are 0.01 to 99.99 feet. If a full entry with 2 digits to the right of the decimal place is keyed in, it will be automatically entered without the need to press the **ENTER**, **Set Distance** or **Measure** keys.

The Edge Of Water (EOW) generally has a depth of 0.00 ft. As you move to new stations, enter the corresponding depth readings, by pressing the **Set Depth** key, and enter the depth value. Then press either of the **ENTER**, **Set Distance** or **Measure** keys to complete the entry.

Set Depth Press & Hold - Estimated Depth

When the **Set Depth** key is pressed and held, it allows the user to input an estimated Depth, and an "e" will appear in the display to mark an estimated Depth. This key can also be used as the Enter key following input of the Distance, to reduce keystrokes.



Measure - Begin a measurement

Aborting a measurement:

To abort a measurement prior to the normal elapsed time interval press the **ENTER** key. See the adjoining text for more information.

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This key is a two function key. When pressed, the instrument will start the timer, count the revolutions, and will display the running velocity. When pressed and held it allows the user to input an estimated velocity. This estimated velocity is marked by the letter e in the display and flagged in the output.

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To abort a measurement prior to the normal elapsed time interval press **the ENTER key**.

"MEAS. ABORTED, +=SAVE PARTIAL" will appear in the display and you can either save the partial measurement by Pressing the +/- key or abort the measurement by Pressing any other key.

This feature allows you to interrupt a measurement prior to its completion and still save the results. This feature is very handy for flood measurements when time is critical and large quantities of floating debris are in the stream.

When the AquaCalc times out because the timer reached 40 seconds and the cups have not registered a rotation, the display will read **"MEAS. ABORTED, +=SAVE PARTIAL"**. Press any key to abort and clear the display or save the time associated with zero revolutions by Pressing the "+/-" key.

Press & Hold Measure - Set Estimated Velocity

When the Measure key is pressed and held it allows the user to input an estimated velocity. This estimated velocity is marked by the letter e in the display and flagged in the output.



Go To Transect# - Change transects

Press this key and a message will appear in the display **"TRANSECT 1-15"**, then enter any number from 1 to 15 to change transects.

This key allows the operator to readily move between transects in order to review data, or upload data to a personal computer. The instrument has 15 individual data registers (transect storage areas), labeled 1-9 and A-F.



Go To Station# - Change stations within a transect

Press this key and a message will appear in the display **"Select STATION"** then key in any two digit number, and you can change to any station from 1 to 99 in a given transect.

This key allows the operator to readily move between stations in order to make measurements and review data. The AquaCalc 5000 automatically assigns each measurement location in a transect a station number. In practise the beginning head stake location is generally assigned station #1 and the Edge Of Water (left bank or right bank) is generally assigned station #2. The AquaCalc 5000 algorithm requires a starting point and an ending point to correctly calculate the total discharge of the channel. These starting and ending points are Edge Of Water, start, and Edge Of Water, finish or Edge Of Water, Left Bank, and Edge Of Water, Right Bank.



Next Station - Go to the next measurement/station

This key is a multi function key. When pressed the key allows the user to advance to the next station or to input the number 3.

Press & Hold Next Station - Carry Distance

When the Next Station key is pressed and held, the distance data will be carried over (Auto Increment) from the previous station based on parameters preset by the user in the System Setup and/or Transect Information area. The setup routine can be configured to automatically increment the distance based on the last distance or increment the distance based on the 5% of total discharge rule. Similarly, when measuring multiple locations in the vertical, the distance and depth information can be automatically carried over from one station to the next.

**Toggle .2 .6 .8 - Change Vertical Location**

When the Toggle key is pressed the message "Set Meter LOC/ 1=S 2 6 8 9=B +W" appears allowing the user to change the vertical location of the meter. Where 1 equals a Surface measurement, 2 equals a 2 tenths measurement, 6 equals a 6 tenths measurement, 8 equals an 8 tenths measurement, 9 equals a bottom measurement and + equals a wall measurement (by pressing the plus key).

Press & Hold Toggle .2 .6 .8 - Enter vertical location

This key has two functions. When pressed and held, it activates the display message that calculates and displays the depth of the meter location as measured from the surface of the water. This calculation is based on the selection of either a sounding weight (value greater than zero) or top set wading rod (sounding weight value equal to zero).

**Calculate Discharge**

This key is used to calculate partial discharge and other information at any position in the transect, as well as the total discharge at the completion of the measurement.

This key is used to calculate the total and partial discharge, percent difference of estimated discharge, velocity, total width, and total area. To calculate the stream's total discharge, simply push this key when you have completed the last Edge Of Water entry.

**Previous Station - Go to the previous measurement**

Pressing this key will show the previous measurement/station .

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Cosine Correction and Vertical Factor -

This key has five functions:

- 1) Enter the number seven,
- 2) It is used to change the Cosine value,
- 3) It is used to change the Vertical Factor required for vertical wall measurements,
- 4) It is used to indicate a negative measured velocity,
- 5) It provides the user with an alternative Coefficient called the Method Coefficient or M-COEF. The M-COEF allows the user to apply a second coefficient to the Sub Q equation to better describe the stream flow. The Cosine Correction, Vertical Factor and Method Coefficient defaults to 1.0 for all measurements unless changed by the user.

Vertical Factor:

The Cosine Correction key is also used to enter the Vertical Factor.

The Cosine Correction can be changed at any time for the current station by pressing the **Cosine Correction** key. When pressed "**1 Set COS:VF 1.00 / 2 Set M-COEF 1.00**" will appear in the display. Press the 1 or 2 key to select and change the appropriate factor. When a new Cosine Correction, Vertical Factor or Method Coefficient is entered it will apply only to that station.



Dry Angle - Not implemented.



Dry Line - Not implemented.



Set Up - Displays the Main Menu

The **Setup** key displays the Main Menu, which allows the user to select one of the four primary setup areas in the AquaCalc:

- 0 = Meas. (Measure)
- 1 = TrInfo (ID & Hardware; Transect Information)
- 2 = System (System)
- 3 = Upload

See the appropriate headings in the *Setting Up: AquaCalc Transect and System Settings* chapter for more information.



+/- - Plus / Minus / Edit

This key has several functions. It is used to add a negative sign to numeric entries, dashes in character strings, and insert or delete a station. It is also used to initiate changes or entries in the menu routines.

The +/- key is used to account for a negative velocity which is often found in a reverse eddy current near the edge of water. The velocity defaults to a positive number when a measurement is taken. If it is found that the velocity is negative, the Cosine Correction key is pressed and a -1 is entered into the Cosine Correction/Vertical Factor Coefficient which in turn will cause the velocity to be negative.

The +/- key is used to indicate a change or selection in the Transect Information and System setup routines. When a selection or entry can be made in one of the setup areas the display will use the term **+ =Chg** pressing the +/- key will allow the user to toggle through selections. Another use for this key is when an entry is required the display will use the term **+ =Set** to designate an entry is expected or the existing value can be changed. Pressing the +/- key will allow the user to change an existing value in the display.



Erase (the decimal key) -

The Erase key will clear various information from memory depending on where in the menu system it is pressed. The key can be used to erase three different areas of the AquaCalc. You may erase the entire contents of memory at one time. A single transect at one time. Or just part of a transect. The level of erasure depends upon where in the menu structure the erase key is pressed. This key must be held down for 3 seconds to activate the memory reset. The three levels of erasure and critical keys which need to be pressed are as follow:

- * **To erase all AquaCalc data and reset to system defaults**
At the Date/Time screen press and hold the Erase key (3 seconds)

Quick Steps = Main Menu; 2; Erase (3 seconds)

- * **To completely erase all old data from one transect**
Enter the desired transect to be erased
At the Set User ID# screen press the Erase key (3 seconds)

Quick Steps = Main Menu; 1; 1; Erase (3 seconds)

- * **To erase data from the current station to the end**
At the Station to be erased press the Erase key (3 seconds)

WARNING: The "Erase" function may be clearing more than you want!!!

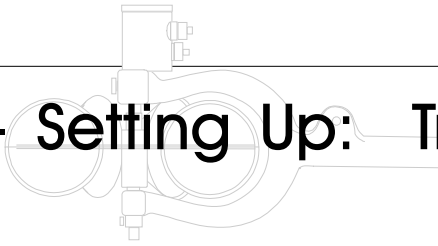
Read the instructions fully and understand them. How much this key erases depends on where you are in the menu structure. Using this key in the wrong menu will erase the entire contents of the AquaCalc, when all you wanted to do is erase a single transect. Use with care!

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Warning:

*Depending on the menu level chosen, the Erase function key can be used to initiate several different levels of data removal from the AquaCalc's memory. Make sure you are clear on which category of information you wish to erase and you understand how to erase it before proceeding. **Always use the Erase function with caution! Once erased, the data is permanently lost.***

5 - Setting Up: Transect & System Settings



Overview

The AquaCalc is ready to use when you receive it. Its default settings allow it to be used for wading measurements using a standard Price Type AA and Pygmy current meters. The System Settings are used to identify the type of equipment being used, the site being measured, and user preferences that control how the AquaCalc performs measurements. Using the System Settings, you may:

Navigating Menus

In the Setup menus the +/- key is used to enter (**Set**) or change (**Chg**) the existing data. The **ENTER** key is used to toggle to the next menu item, and the **Set Up** key will back out one menu level.

- **Configure the AquaCalc to use other nonstandard meters,**
- **Change the time and date of the on-board clock,**
- **Set power saving features,**
- **Configure automatic depth and distance entry features**
- **Choose either an English or metric measurement units.**
- **Set the data transfer (baud) rate used for sending data to a computer.**

The System Settings are used to identify the type of equipment being used, the site being measured, and user preference that control how the AquaCalc performs measurements.

Setting Date and Time on Start-up

The AquaCalc has an internal clock used to keep time during a measurement. In order that the proper time is reported in the transect information, the clock must be adjusted each time the AquaCalc is turned on. *Date and time settings do not affect the accuracy of AquaCalc measurements.*

When you first turn on the AquaCalc, after a few opening screens, it will display the Date and Time. *Note: You will notice the seconds ticking from the initial power up.*

Transect	Station	Distance	Depth
1=DATE	07/07/98		
2=TIME	11:02:22		
2/6/8	Revs	Time	Velocity

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To change the Date, press **1** then enter the day (DD), month (MM), and the year (YY), *pressing the Decimal key between each*. Press **ENTER**. Notice, how the uppercase and lower case letters assist in entering the values.

Transect	Station	Distance	Depth
DATE DD . mm . yy			
2/6/8	Revs	Time	Velocity

To set the time:

At the Date / Time screen press the **2** key, then enter the hours (HH), minutes (MM), and the seconds *pressing the **Decimal** key between each*.

Transect	Station	Distance	Depth
TIME HH . mm . SS			
2/6/8	Revs	Time	Velocity

Seconds are entered to the nearest ten seconds by entering a single digit 0 - 6. Pressing **ENTER** will set the seconds to zero. Again, notice how the uppercase and lower case letters assist in entering the values.

Press **ENTER** and the AquaCalc will then display the remaining observations in memory, press **ENTER** again, the AquaCalc will then display the transect status either empty or used, press **ENTER** again, the AquaCalc will then display the last transect and station in use when the AquaCalc was turned off.

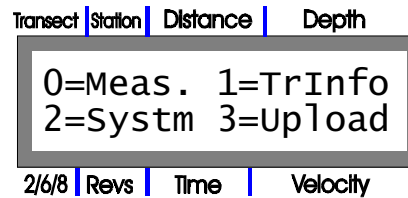
Transect	Station	Distance	Depth
1	7	22.0	0.80
6	0	0.0	0.00
2/6/8	Revs	Time	Velocity

AquaCalcs with no clocks

Older AquaCalcs have no built-in clock, and must have the date and time entered each time they are turned on. Newer AquaCalcs have a built in clock that remembers the time. In either case, the date and time settings have no effect on the accuracy of AquaCalc measurements.

The Main Menu

Pressing the Set Up key allows to access the Main Menu at any time.



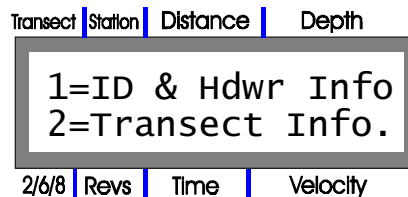
From this menu you may access:

- **The Measurement display** -- For instant measuring,
- **The Transect Setup menu** --To enter transect specific information,
- **The System Setup menu** -- To configure the AquaCalc
- **The Upload Menu** --To send measurement and transect info to a computer.

Entering Transect Information

To enter identifying information about your current transect, press the Setup key in the Measurement screen. Selecting 1=TrInfo (by pressing the 1 key) in the Main menu, allows you to enter information about your current transect.

Setting Identification and Hardware Information: (ID & Hdwr Info)



Selecting "1" at the Main menu will display a second menu that will provide two choices, **1=ID & Hdwr Info** and **2=Transect Info**. Selecting **1= ID & Hdwr Info** will display a series of settings allowing you to enter information about the hardware being used to measure.

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Pressing the +/- key will allow you to change an item, while pressing the Enter key will move to the next item. Settings in this menu include:

- **Set USER ID#**
- **Set Gage I.D.**
- **Set Gage Ht BEG**
- **Set Gage Ht END**
- **Set Staff Ht BEG**
- **Set Staff Ht END**
- **Chg METER TYPE**
- **Set Meter I.D.**
- **Rvw Mtr Const.**
- **Set SoundingWT**

User ID#

You may enter a user identification number up to four digits long. The last four digits of the user's Social Security number are often used.

Transect	Station	Distance	Depth
+Set USER ID# XXXX			
2/6/8	Revs	Time	Velocity

Press the +/- key to change the **USER ID#**. Press **ENTER** to complete the entry.

GAGE ID# (Stream Stage Gage ID)

This allows you to identify the continuous recording stage gaging station associated with the stream flow measurement by entering a 1 to 15 digit number with periods and hyphens.

Transect	Station	Distance	Depth
+Set Gage I.D. 123456789-.01234			
2/6/8	Revs	Time	Velocity

Press the +/- key to change the **GAGE ID#**. Press **ENTER** to complete the entry.

GageHt BEG (Gage Height Begin)

This screen will allow you to enter a maximum of 99.99 feet or meters prior to making a discharge measurement. This is the height as reported by the continuous recording data logger inside a gage house associated with the transect.

Transect	Station	Distance	Depth
+Set GageHt BEG 2.44			
2/6/8	Revs	Time	Velocity

Press the +/- key to change your **GageHt BEG**. Press **ENTER** to complete the entry.

GageHt END (Gage Height End)

This screen will allow you to enter a maximum of 99.99 feet or meters upon the completion of a discharge measurement. This is the height as reported by the continuous recording data logger inside a gage house associated with the transect.

Transect	Station	Distance	Depth
+Set GageHt END 2.45			
2/6/8	Revs	Time	Velocity

Press the +/- key to change your **GageHt END**. Press **ENTER** to complete the entry.

StaffHt BEG (Staff Height Begin)

This screen will allow you to enter a maximum of 99.99 feet or meters prior to making a discharge measurement. This is the height associated with the measured stage read from the outside Staff Gage.

Transect	Station	Distance	Depth
+Set StaffHt BEG 2.44			
2/6/8	Revs	Time	Velocity

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Press the +/- key to enter or change your **StaffHt BEG** Press **ENTER** to complete the entry.

StaffHt END (Staff Height End)

This screen will allow you to enter maximum of 99.99 feet or meters upon the completion of a discharge measurement. This is the height associated with the measured stage read from the outside Staff Gage.

Transect	Station	Distance	Depth
+Set StaffHt END 2.45			
2/6/8	Revs	Time	Velocity

Press the +/- key to enter or change your **StaffHt END**. Press **ENTER** to complete the entry.

METER TYPE

For more information on setting up and using current meters, see the chapter Using Current Meters with the AquaCalc.

At this screen you may select one of the following current meters: Price AA 1:1, Price AA 5:1, Pygmy or Non-Standard. When you turn on the AquaCalc for the first time, the factory default setting is the Price AA 1:1.

Default meter type:

The power-on default meter type setting is the Price AA 1:1.

Transect	Station	Distance	Depth
+Chg METER TYPE PRICE AA 1:1			
2/6/8	Revs	Time	Velocity

Transect	Station	Distance	Depth
+Chg METER TYPE Price AA 5:1			
2/6/8	Revs	Time	Velocity

Transect	Station	Distance	Depth
+Chg METER TYPE PYGMY			
2/6/8	Revs	Time	Velocity

Transect	Station	Distance	Depth
+Chg METER TYPE NON STANDARD			
2/6/8	Revs	Time	Velocity

Note: Should the operator realize that the wrong meter type or meter serial # was selected from the AquaCalc's menu, after all transect measurements have been completed, all is not lost! By selecting the actual meter used from the menu and pressing the calculate discharge key the correct discharge will be recalculated with no negative impact on the measurement.

Use the +/- key to cycle through the meter selections. Press **ENTER** to complete the selection.

METER ID#

This screen will allow you to record the Serial Number or some other identifying number of the current meter used to measure the stream. Up to six digits including a period and a dash can be entered. Up to ten Non-Standard meters and their constants can be entered into the Non-Standard meter table and identified by a six digit meter ID or serial number including a period and a dash. The Non-Standard meter table is located in the System Setup area.

Transect	Station	Distance	Depth
+Set Meter I.D. 1234			
2/6/8	Revs	Time	Velocity

Press the +/- key and enter your **METER ID#**. Press **ENTER** to complete the entry.

Verifying Current Meter Constants

Meter constants for the standard meters, Price and Pygmy, are stored in the memory of the AquaCalc, constants for Non-Standard meters are input by the user in the Non-Standard Meter Table area of the System in the setup menu. Once a meter has been selected for use the constants may be verified by

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pushing the +/- key and the AquaCalc will automatically cycle through the individual constants. The constants are also part of the Transect Information header when Uploaded to a computer.

The AquaCalc firmware is only capable of current meter ratings utilizing 2 straight lines to define the rating. If a meter with an extended rating is to be used with the AquaCalc then contact JBS Instruments and they will assist you in solving this issue.

Transect	Station	Distance	Depth
+=Rvw Mtr Const.			
Meter ID			1234
2/6/8	Revs	Time	Velocity

Transect	Station	Distance	Depth
C1=			
Meter ID			X.X 1234
2/6/8	Revs	Time	Velocity

Transect	Station	Distance	Depth
C2=			
Meter ID			X.X 1234
2/6/8	Revs	Time	Velocity

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Transect	Station	Distance	Depth
C5=			
Meter ID			X.X 1234
2/6/8	Revs	Time	Velocity

If you are using a current meter that has a metric rating curve:

Please see the heading "Meas. Std.: Setting the Measurement Standard" in this section.

Two Point measurement:

The two point measurement method can be accomplished by either the manual input method or the auto increment .2 & .8 method.

Non-Standard Current Meters

To use a Non-Standard current meter with the AquaCalc the user must know the rating constants for the meter, and the standard, [SAE (English) or SI (Metric)] in which the rating curve was developed. If the rating curve was developed using a Metric standard, please see the chapter *Using Current Meters with the AquaCalc* .

SoundingWT (Sounding Weight)

This entry requires either a zero for the value of the weight to denote the use of a wading rod or the weight of a sounding weight in pounds or kilograms when doing a suspension measurement.

If a zero is entered for the value of the weight the AquaCalc will assume the user is using a topset wading rod.

Entering a zero value for the weight will invoke a routine in the AquaCalc during the measurement that prompts the user to set the rod for either a .2 or .8 measurement.

When performing a suspension measurement the user enters the weight of the sounding weight in pounds or kilograms in this setting. The value entered is used to check the velocity versus weight rule. If the velocity is too large for the size weight selected, the AquaCalc will generate a flag and a warning message, informing the user of this condition. This will also invoke a routine during the measurement process that will prompt the user with a value to set the sounding reel for either a .2, .6 or .8 measurement.

The default setting is zero for use with a topset wading rod.

Transect	Station	Distance	Depth
+Set SoundingWT XX			
2/6/8	Revs	Time	Velocity

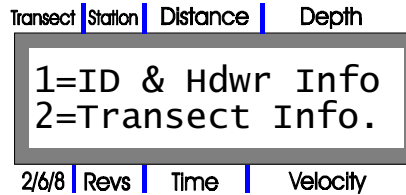
Press the +/- key and enter your **Sounding Weight** value. Press **ENTER** to complete the entry.

The Transect Information section has been completed and the AquaCalc will return to the menu **1=ID & Hdwr Info** and **2=Transect Info**.

Transect	Station	Distance	Depth
1=ID & Hdwr Info 2=Transect Info.			
2/6/8	Revs	Time	Velocity

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Entering Transect Information -- Transect Info.



Once you have completed setting up the ID and Hardware Information you are returned to the menu **1=ID & Hdwr Info** and **2=Transect Info.** Press 2 to select the Transect Information submenus. In these menus as well as other menus the +/- key is used to input (**Set**) or change (**Chg**) the existing data and **ENTER** is used to move to the next menu item. This menu area will allow the entry of information assisting the user to make his measurement such as:

- **Set MEAS.TIME**
- **Chg Flow Meth.**
- **Set Est. Tot. Q**
- **Set Adj. Tot. Q**
- **Set MaxQ/Stat'n as % Total Q 5**
- **Chg Auto Carry**
- **Set LOC2 Mult'r**
- **Chg START MODE**
- **Chg COSINE MODE**
- **Chg ICE MODE**
- **Set % Slope**

Note:

The +/- key is often used to enter (**Set**) or change (**Chg**) the existing settings and **ENTER** is used to toggle to the next menu item.

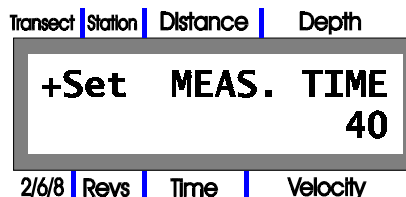
MEAS. TIME (Measurement Time)

Default

measurement time:

The power-on default setting for the measurement time is 40 seconds.

The user can set the time interval associated with the rotations of the bucket wheel. Any number between 0 and 99 may be entered. Be careful, setting this value to zero or 1 will cause the instrument to appear to be functioning improperly. The default value is 40.



The United States Geological Survey has established 40 seconds as a standard when performing a stream discharge measurement. It is sometimes desirable to change this time for special measurements or difficult conditions.

To change the time, press the +/- key and enter a new value. Press **ENTER** to complete the entry.

Chg Flow Meth. (Change the Turbulent Flow Handling Method)

Turbulent flows are a difficult measurement situation. The USGS advises that when a surging flow is encountered, the measurement location be changed to a more stable flow pattern so that the measurement accuracy and quality is not effected. This is not always practical, and so the AquaCalc provides for two different methods of handling turbulent flow conditions. To set the Turbulent Flow Mode press the **Set Up key (0)**, then press **1** for Transect Information followed by the **Enter** key to toggle past the **+Set MEAS. TIME** screen.

Dirty Whisker May Imitate a Turbulent Flow

If you are not in a surging flow condition, and the unit is repeatedly resetting the counter and timer, check for a poorly adjusted or dirty cat-whisker hair, a bad electrical connection in your rod or



+Chg Flow Meth
Turb. Flow Res

Pressing the +/- key in this screen will change the way the unit handles surging or turbulent flows, toggling between the Turbulent Flow Reset mode (the default and recommended mode of operation) and the Allow Turbulent Flow mode.

Turb. Flow Reset (Turbulent Flow Reset Mode)

When encountering surging flows in the stream, the AquaCalc will look for a stable flow before starting the measurement routine. Once started measuring, if the unit continues to encounter unstable flow conditions in its default mode, it will reset the counter and timer, and begin again. This is called a "Turbulent Flow Reset". The AquaCalc will continue to reset like this until a stable flow is encountered for the duration of the measurement.

Allow Turb. Flow (Allow Turbulent Flows)

If you must measure in surging flow conditions, you can use the "Allow Turbulent Flows" mode. In this mode, the AquaCalc will not reset the counter and timer when it encounters a moderately turbulent flow. Instead it will display a small "t" next to the revolution counter, indicating that it has experienced a turbulent flow, and make an entry in the warnings section of the output: NOTE: Turbulent Velocity Measurements Allowed.

In the event of extremely turbulent flows (or poorly adjusted current meters, and bad electrical connections) the AquaCalc will reset even while in the "Allow..." mode. If a reset occurs in the Allow mode, check all connections and/or select another measurement location.

Measurements performed in this mode may not meet USGS quality control standards.

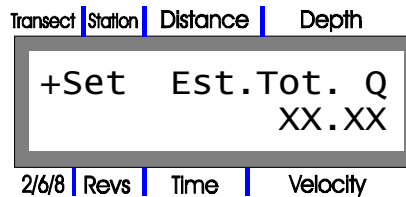
WARNING

If you set the AquaCalc to **Allow Turbulent Flow**, certain turbulent and mechanical conditions could cause the AquaCalc to miss a count.

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Est.Tot. Q (Estimated Total Q)

The user enters the estimated Q (discharge). This value is usually obtained from the Stage/Discharge Rating curve (the historic record of the gaging station) associated with a stage measuring device. The estimated value of discharge is used by the AquaCalc to calculate the X% rule that states that: **A measurement should not exceed X% of the total flow of the stream in any one subsection.** The estimated Q is also used to calculate the percentage difference between the estimated and the measured. The AquaCalc's default setting is 0.



To change the Est.Tot. Q, press the +/- key and enter the Q. Press **ENTER** to complete the entry.

(If you find while measuring that your stream rating curve is incorrect, use the Adjusted Total Q entry discussed in the following heading to compensate while still storing the Estimated Q.)

Adj.Tot. Q (Adjusted Total Q)

In order for the automated distance entering mode and the quality control warning system to work properly in the AquaCalc, you must first enter an estimated total stream flow in the Estimated Total Q Screen discussed in the previous heading. The AquaCalc uses this information to determine whether a subsection exceeds 5% (or whatever you choose) of the total stream flow. If, while measuring, you realize the original Estimated Total Q is incorrect, you may enter an Adjusted Estimated Total Q that will be used in-stream to calculate the next automated distance and determine if measurement warning flags are produced. Entering this value may change the warnings (flags) in previous measurements.

The adjusted value is the discharge used for generating error flags while you progress through the measurement. However, at the end of the measurement the AquaCalc automatically enters the calculated value of total discharge into the adjusted memory variable so that when the flags are regenerated they will be based on a more accurate value of discharge. This recalculation could either increase or decrease the amount of error flags during the measurement. The AquaCalc's default setting is the value of the Estimated Discharge.

Transect	Station	Distance	Depth
+Set adj. Tot. Q X.XX			
2/6/8	Revs	Time	Velocity

MaxQ/Stat'n as % Total Q (Maximum Q per Station as a Percent of Total Q)

This is the percent to apply to the Estimated Total Q that is used in automatically calculating the next distance and in generating warning flags during measurement.

Enter a percentage value that would correspond with the 5% rule. Any number between 1 and 99 may be entered. The default value is 5%. This value is used to calculate the error flag to insure that 5% of the estimated flow is not exceeded in any one section. This value is also used to calculate the location of the next vertical based on the estimated discharge. Therefore it is logical that if an estimated discharge is not entered these functions will be turned off.

Transect	Station	Distance	Depth
+Set MaxQ/Stat'n as % Total Q 5			
2/6/8	Revs	Time	Velocity

To change the percent, press the +/- key and enter the percent. Press **ENTER** to complete the entry.

Auto Carry

Automatic Carry

Forward: Press and Hold Next Station

When the default settings are in affect, pressing and holding the Next Station key carries the values of the Depth, .6 and COS to the next station.

This selection allows the user to select from multiple settings to customize automated features of a discharge measurement.

Pressing the +/- key will toggle off and on the asterisk next to Depth, .6, and COS. The default settings are asterisks located in front of all three parameters. When the default settings are in affect, pressing and holding the Next Station key carries the values of the Depth, .6 and COS to the next station.

The power on defaults are set up to default to a 6 tenths wading measurement. If a 2 and 8 measurement will be done remove the asterisk from the 6. With the asterisk on the six the AquaCalc is set up to automate the 6 tenths wading measurement. With the asterisk off of the 6 tenths the AquaCalc is set to automate the 2 and 8 tenths measurements.

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Transect | Station | Distance | Depth
+Chg Auto Carry
*Depth *.6 *COS
2/6/8 | Revs | Time | Velocity

To toggle the asterisk, press the +/- key. Press **ENTER** to complete the entry.

LOC2 Mult'r (LOC2 Multiplier)

This is a numeric value that can be entered by the user to develop the mean velocity in a vertical when only one 2 tenths measurement per vertical is made. The LOC2 value is developed by the user who has some insight as to how it will affect the total discharge. This value will, affect the entire transect when applied. The system default value is 0. The LOC2 variable will not affect a station unless it detects only one 2 tenths measurement in a vertical.

Transect | Station | Distance | Depth
+Set LOC2 Mult'r
X.XX
2/6/8 | Revs | Time | Velocity

To change the value, press the +/- key and enter the LOC2 value. Press **ENTER** to complete the entry.

START MODE (Start Mode)

This setting identifies which side of the stream the transect measurement was started on: the left edge of water (LEW) or right edge of water (REW). The values are either LEW (left edge of water) or REW (right edge of water). The user inputs a value here to record from which bank of the stream the measurement was started.

Transect | Station | Distance | Depth
+Chg START MODE
START at LEW
2/6/8 | Revs | Time | Velocity

```

Transect | Station | Distance | Depth
+Chg  START MODE
        START at REW
2/6/8 | Revs | Time | Velocity

```

To change the Start mode, press the +/- key and toggle between REW and LEW. Press **ENTER** to complete the entry.

COSINE MODE (Cosine Correction Mode)

This is a user selectable mode for setting the cosine correction. The cosine value entered by the user can either modify the velocity component or the component of distance across the stream, canal or river. When taking a discharge measurement and the tag line is perpendicular to the normal flow of the stream, the setting would be **VEL. Multiplier**. When this value is set and the user applies a cosine correction to the measurement it will affect the component of velocity by normalizing the velocity vector.

When taking a discharge measurement and the tag line is not perpendicular to the normal flow of the stream the setting would be **DIST. Multiplier**. When this value is set and the user applies a cosine correction to the measurement it will affect the component of distance by normalizing the distance perpendicular to the stream (representing the true width of the stream). The default value is Velocity Multiplier.

```

Transect | Station | Distance | Depth
+Chg  COSINE MODE
        DIST. Multiplier
2/6/8 | Revs | Time | Velocity

```

```

Transect | Station | Distance | Depth
+Chg  COSINE MODE
        VEL. Multiplier
2/6/8 | Revs | Time | Velocity

```

To toggle the mode, press the +/- key and toggle the selections. Press **ENTER** to complete the entry and move to the next menu.

Entering AquaCalc System Information: The System Menu

Selecting 2 = System at the opening Main Menu allows the operator to customize the AquaCalc for his or her special needs. There are options to set such as:

- **Date and Time,**
- **AquaCalc 5000 ID#,**
- **Set Distance Mode (Calculate Distance/Calculate Percent Flow),**
- **Power Control (Manual or Auto Power-Off feature),**
- **Measurement Standard (English and Metric Units),**
- **Baud Rate for Uploading,**
- **Non-Standard Meter Table**

All of these items with the exception of the Date, Time, and Power Control settings are user selectable defaults. This means that once they are set by the user, every time the AquaCalc is turned on it will default to the new values. However, when performing a system reset all user defaults will be lost and the AquaCalc will be returned to system defaults.

Date and Time

The first display allows the user to change the **Date and Time**. The time can now be set to the nearest tenth of a second.

Transect	Station	Distance	Depth
1=DATE		07/14/98	
2=TIME		11:02:22	

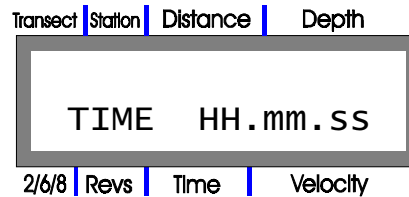
2/6/8	Revs	Time	Velocity
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To change the Date Press **1** then enter the day (DD), Press the Decimal, enter the month (MM), Press the Decimal, enter the year (YY), Press **ENTER**. Notice, how the change from lowercase to uppercase letters assist in entering the values.

Transect	Station	Distance	Depth
DATE		DD . mm . yy	

2/6/8	Revs	Time	Velocity
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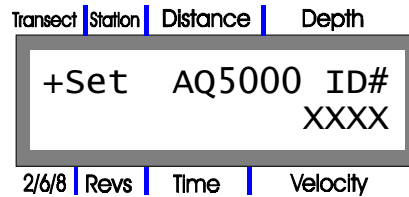
To set the Time Press **2** then enter the hours (HH), Press the Decimal, enter the minutes (MM), Press the Decimal, the seconds are entered to the nearest ten seconds by entering a single digit 0 - 6 or press **ENTER** and the seconds will start at zero. Again, notice how the uppercase and lower case letters assist in entering the values.



Press **ENTER** to toggle to the next display.

AQ5000 ID# (AquaCalc Serial Number)

The user can input the AquaCalc serial number so that it will be part of the permanent record. This eliminates the records confusion when a single office has multiple AquaCalcs.



To change the ID number, press the +/- key and enter a new value. When the fourth number is entered or the **ENTER** key is pressed the entry is complete.

SetDist Mode (Set Distance Mode)

This display allows you to select the automated data input mode that will be used to move from vertical to vertical. The selections are **Calc. Dist. Mode** or **Calc. %Flow Mode**. When using either of the calculate distance mode or the calculate %flow mode all automatic entries can be manually overridden.

Calc. Dist. Mode

When this option is selected the AquaCalc will calculate the next distance based on the last two distances entered. The distance may be overridden at any time by pressing the Set Distance key and entering the correct distance.

Calc. %Flow Mode

When this option is selected the AquaCalc will calculate the next distance based on the estimated discharge value entered by the user in the Estimated

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Total Q area and the percentage entered into the **MaxQ/Stat'n**, found in the **1=TrInfo** menu, **2=Transect Info.** submenu. This feature is based on the rule that a certain % of the total flow can not be exceeded in any one single subsection. The distance may be overridden at any time by pressing the **Set Distance** key and entering the correct distance.

If the discharge is known and the stream bottom is a uniform section then it is recommended that the Calc %Flow method be used.

Warning:

The % Flow Mode should only be used by experienced individuals. When encountering a fast sloping stream bank this function will yield an erroneous next vertical distance. The calculation is based on taking a percentage of the total flow and allocating that subflow to the vertical being measured. Since the calculation method used is the midsection method the area of the section is not known until the user selects his next vertical. Dividing the subQ by the velocity and the depth will give the location of the next distance.

```
Transect | Station | Distance | Depth
+Chg   SetDist MD
Calc.  %FLOW Mode
2/6/8 | Revs | Time | Velocity
```

```
Transect | Station | Distance | Depth
+Chg   SetDist MD
Calc.  DIST. Mode
2/6/8 | Revs | Time | Velocity
```

Press the +/- key to toggle the mode. Press **Enter** to complete the selection.

Power Ctrl (Power Control mode)

Overriding

Automatic Entries

All of the automatic entries function (Depth, Distance, and 2/6/8) can be manually modified during measurements while in any mode and at any time using normal key entry procedures

This display allows the user to select one of two methods of power control for the AquaCalc, **AUTO Power-Off** or **MANUAL Power-Off**.

The **AUTO Power-Off** mode will power down the AquaCalc after ten minutes of idle time, whereas in the **MANUAL Power-Off** mode the AquaCalc will stay on until the user turns it off. The default setting is **AUTO Power-Off**.

```
Transect | Station | Distance | Depth
+Chg   Power Ctrl
        AUTO   Power-Off
2/6/8 | Revs | Time | Velocity
```

```
Transect | Station | Distance | Depth
+Chg   Power Ctrl
        Manual Power-Off
2/6/8 | Revs | Time | Velocity
```

Press the +/- key to toggle the Power Ctrl display. Press **Enter** to complete the selection.

Meas. Std. (Setting the Measurement Standard)

The user has a choice of either S.A.E. (English or S.I. (Metric) Units.

```

Transect | Station | Distance | Depth
+Chg Meas. Std.
S.A.E. (English)
2/6/8 | Revs | Time | Velocity
  
```

```

Transect | Station | Distance | Depth
+Chg Meas. Std.
S.I. (Metric)
2/6/8 | Revs | Time | Velocity
  
```

Press +/- key to toggle between English and Metric Units. Press Enter to complete the selection.

When selecting either the SAE or SI Measurement Standard, the units used in developing the current meter rating curve must be known. The current meter rating curve can be developed using either SI/Metric or SAE/ English units.

The following represents the three different cases that the AquaCalc operator needs to understand when selecting a Measurement Standard. We call them the Normal, Scientific, and the Non-Standard Metric.

Normal

The first case is the normal setting for the United States Geological Survey and all other agencies that report surface water records in SAE Units. All measurements are taken in SAE (English) units (feet), and are reported in the same (feet per second & cubic feet per second.) Normal is also the setting used for Metric measurements. When using a metric rated current meter and metric wading rod the setting is still SAE (English). The AquaCalc is unitless and the user defines the units according to the equipment used.

Scientific

The second case is for the scientific community who prefer to collect data in the SI format while using SAE (English) equipment such as current meters and wading rods, and report in SI units (meters per second & cubic meters per

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second). The SI measurement standard in the AquaCalc was designed to deal with this situation by converting the velocity with units of feet per second normally produced by a SAE rated current meter into a velocity with units of meters per second, using the conversion factor of meters = feet X 3.28.

For this case the user would first select the SI Measurement Standard from the System Menu (See the heading “Meas. Std. [Measurement Standard]” in the section titled “Using Your AquaCalc”.) Enter all Distance and Depth measurements into the AquaCalc in SI (Metric) Units. The resulting measured velocities calculated by the instrument are converted from feet per second to meters per second and stored as such in memory. The resultant Q will be calculated and reported as cubic meters per second.

Non-Standard Meter with Metric

The third case is much more difficult to understand and will require thought on the behalf of the reader who uses a *metric* rated current meter.

To use the AquaCalc with a nonstandard metric rated current meter the operator must:

- 1) Enter the nonstandard metric rating curve constants. For instructions on setting nonstandard meter constants, see the subheading “METER TYPE” in the section titled “Using Your AquaCalc”.
- 2) Select SAE as the Meter Standard from the Systems Menu. For directions on selecting the Meter Standard, please see the subheading “Meas. Std. (Measurement Standard)” in the section titled “Using Your AquaCalc”.

Selecting the SAE Measurement Standard in this case will insure that the SAE (English)-to-SI (Metric) conversion is not made to the metric velocities already calculated using the metric rating curve. The AquaCalc will then use the Nonstandard rating curve that was entered, to calculate velocity in meters per second and, with the distance and depth entered in meters, the resultant Q will be cubic meters per second.

If the user were to select the SI Measurement standard from the System Menu under these circumstances, the resultant velocities would be “metric-converted-to-metric” causing the Q to be meaningless.

Because the AquaCalc applies a SAE (English) to SI (Metric) conversion factor to the resultant velocities in the SI mode, only SAE (English) current meter rating curves may be used in the AquaCalc’s SI Measurement Standard mode!

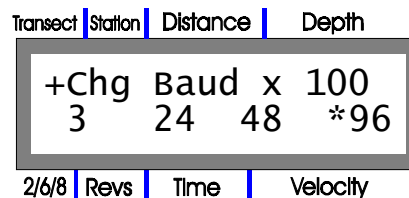
Summary of Cases

The following table summarizes the cases given and identifies additional cases which are not permitted.

	If current-meter rating-curve is based on:	and you enter Distance/Depth measurements units in:	and you would like to velocities and Q to be reported in:	Si
1) Normal	SAE/English	SAE/English	SAE/English	SAE/English
2) Scientific	SAE/English	SI/Metric	SI/Metric	SI/Metric
3) Non-Standard Metric	SI/Metric	SI/Metric	SI/Metric	SI/Metric
Invalid English to Metric 1	SAE/English	SAE/English	SI/Metric	N
Invalid English to Metric 2	SI/Metric	SAE/English	SI/Metric	N
Invalid Metric to English	SI/Metric	SI/Metric	SAE/English	N

Baud x100, (Baud Rate Setting)

This window allows you to set the baud rate when uploading (transferring data) to a personal computer. Press +/- key to toggle between the different baud rates 300, 2400, 4800 & 9600. The default baud rate is 9600. Press Enter to complete the baud rate selection.

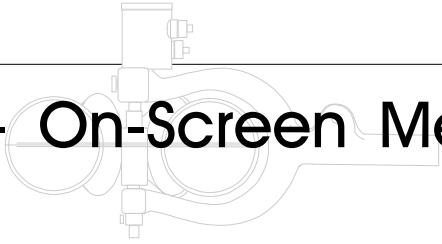


NON STD. Meter Table, (Non-Standard Meter Table)

In addition to the built in current meter rating curves for the default Price AA and Pygmy meters, the AquaCalc can store the rating curves for ten additional user defined nonstandard current meters. These nonstandard meters are given an in index number from 0 to 9 and the user can store an identification number for each.

Please see the *Using Current Meters with the AquaCalc* chapter for a full explanation of nonstandard meters and instructions on entering current meter rating curves.

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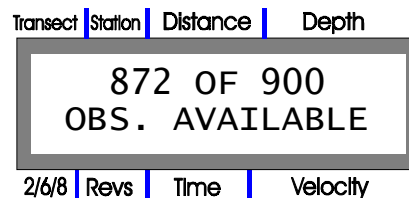
At times the AquaCalc will display messages on the screen to warn you of potential measurement problems, or to ask you for further input.

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The following displays are used primarily during the measurement operation of the AquaCalc. This section will explain the individual displays the user will encounter when measuring a stream using the AquaCalc.

Available Memory

The following display will appear after the Date and Time display on initial power on sequence. This display informs the user of the amount of observations available. However, if all 15 transects have data in them there could still be memory left but you will not be allowed to make another measurement until you erase a transect.

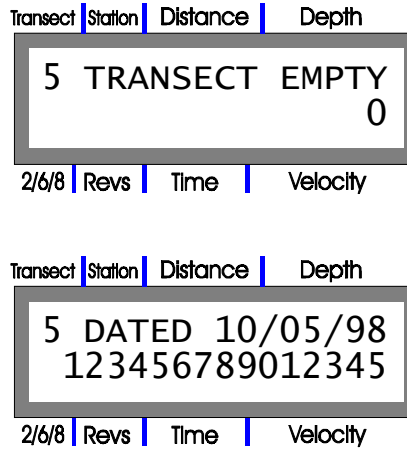


Remember you require sufficient memory to make approximately 30 observations for a 6 tenths measurement. Therefore, 30 observations across 15 transects requires 450 observations. Now, if you were doing 2 and 8 tenths measurements you would require all of the available memory.

Transect Status

The next display that will appear provides the user with the status of the current transect. This display also appears when changing transects.

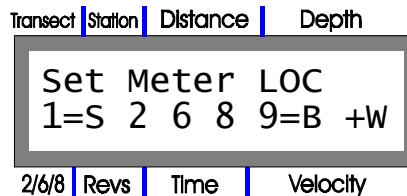
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The first display informs the user that the current transect 5 is empty and available for use. The second display informs the user that the current transect 5 was used on 10/05/98 at station number 123456789012345.

Meter Location (LOC)

During certain automated steps and pressing the Toggle .2.6.8 key the following screen will be displayed. The Meter location (LOC) screen allows the user to designate the position in the vertical in which the measurement is being made. The choices are S, 2, 6, 8, B, or W; where S is a surface measurement, 2 is a 2 tenths measurement 6 is a 6 tenths measurement, 8 is an eight tenths measurement B is a bottom measurement and the W is used to designate a vertical wall measurement. These locations in the vertical are referred to as the LOC Variables.



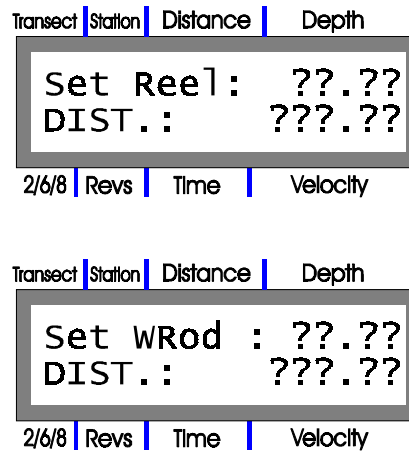
You will notice that when you are making multiple measurements in the same vertical that the selections are removed from the display as they are used. Also, since you can only select one LOC for a vertical wall measurement the +W is only available the first time the screen is displayed for a vertical. It will not be available as a choice for the next velocity measurement in the same vertical. This feature was added to prevent the accidental selection of the LOC variable "W" in the middle of a 2/8 (or multiple) measurements.

Calculated Location

Once LOC is selected the next screen that appears will briefly show the calculation of the depth to which the meter is positioned relative to the surface of the water and the maximum width of the current vertical.

The value calculated for the value From Surf is dependent on the selection of a sounding weight . If the user leaves the sounding weight value equal to zero then it is assumed that a Top Set Wading Rod is being used to make a wading measurement. When a LOC value of 2 or 8 is selected the AquaCalc will calculate the 2 tenths or 8 tenths setting for the rod. (When using a wading rod the 2 tenths LOC is set at half the value of the depth, 8 tenths is set at twice the value of the depth, and 6 tenths is directly read from the vernier handle.) When the value for a sounding weight is greater than zero it is assumed that a weighted sounding measurement is being made the AquaCalc calculates the 2, 8, or 6 tenths value from the surface and momentarily displays this value immediately after the depth has been entered and the LOC value selected. This screen can also be accessed by pressing and holding (P&H) the number 4 key.

The second line in the display is displaying the distance to the hundredths place which cannot be displayed in the main screen. This accuracy is required when doing metric measurements.



Manual Set Required

If there is insufficient information for the AquaCalc to calculate the next distance or if the next distance is calculated to be less than or equal to the current distance the following display appears:

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Transect	Station	Distance	Depth
5	3	0.0	0.00
Manual Set Req'd			
2/6/8	Revs	Time	Velocity

Auto Set Next Distance

When the AquaCalc is successful in calculating the next distance this message will flash momentarily:

Transect	Station	Distance	Depth
AUTO SET NxtDist			
2/6/8	Revs	Time	Velocity

Transect	Station	Distance	Depth
AUTO SET % Qtot			
2/6/8	Revs	Time	Velocity

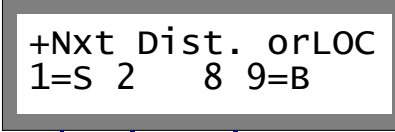
Station Empty

The message **Station Empty** will always appear in the display when there is insufficient information for the AquaCalc to define the station as a "legal" station. Only legal stations are used in the calculation of Total Discharge and Mean Velocity. When inputting the last station, Distance = 73.6 and Depth = 0, both the distance of 73.6 and the depth of 0.00 must be entered into the database for the station to be legal. Note: When you enter into a new station the depth will always be zero and the message Station Empty will appear. To clear this message enter a zero into the depth.

Transect	Station	Distance	Depth
1	1	0.0	0.00
Station Empty			
2/6/8	Revs	Time	Velocity

Advancing to the Next Station or Next Location

When you are measuring multiple locations in a single vertical and after you completed the first stations measurement **Push & Hold** the **Next Station** key. The following message will appear in the display:




The screenshot shows the AquaCalc display with a central message box. Above the box, the labels 'Transect', 'Station', 'Distance', and 'Depth' are visible. Below the box, the labels '2/6/8', 'Revs', 'Time', and 'Velocity' are visible. The message box contains the text: '+Nxt Dist. orLOC' on the first line and '1=S 2 8 9=B' on the second line.

Notice that the message has changed since the first time it appeared in the last station. +Nxt Dist. is added and the 6 and W are omitted. By pressing the +/- key the AquaCalc will advance to the next station and calculate the next distance to allow the user to start a new measurement at the next vertical.

Aborted Measurement

While the user is measuring and determines that the measurement must be aborted before the time is up, **Enter** can be pressed and the following message will appear:



The screenshot shows the AquaCalc display with a central message box. Above the box, the labels 'Transect', 'Station', 'Distance', and 'Depth' are visible. Below the box, the labels '2/6/8', 'Revs', 'Time', and 'Velocity' are visible. The message box contains the text: 'MEAS. ABORTED' on the first line and '+=SAVE PARTIAL' on the second line.

This allows the user to abort the entire measurement or press the +/- key and save the partial measurement. This message will also appear if the AquaCalc's stop watch exceeds 40 seconds or a user defined time without acknowledging a "click". In this case you want to press the +/- key to save partials. This will write a time in the display with zero clicks and zero velocity. This is the recommended approach to a zero velocity observation.

Measurement Completed within Parameter

Upon completion of the measurement the following message will be displayed. Press any key to clear this message .

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Transect | Station | Distance | Depth
MEAS. COMPLETE
2/6/8 | Revs | Time | Velocity

Calculate Discharge

Once you have completed measuring the stream and entered the last station EOW, press Calculate Discharge. The following screen will appear:

Transect | Station | Distance | Depth
CALCULATING
DISCHARGE
2/6/8 | Revs | Time | Velocity

Transect | Station | Distance | Depth
TOT Q: 0000000.00
%Q: 00.0 v: 00.00
2/6/8 | Revs | Time | Velocity

Transect | Station | Distance | Depth
WIDTH: 000000.00
AREA: 000000.00
2/6/8 | Revs | Time | Velocity

The first screen is loaded to let you know that the calculation is being performed. The second screen displays the total discharge (TOT Q), percent difference between the estimated Q and the measured Q (%Q), and the mean velocity for the transect. The third screen displays the width of the transect and the total area of the transect.

Subsection information

Once you have completed a measurement at any given subsection you can **Press & Hold** the **Enter** key to display the following screens.

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Transect	Station	Distance	Depth
1	4	VERT. DATA	
OBS FLGS:1234567			

2/6/8 | Revs | Time | Velocity

Transect	Station	Distance	Depth
Q:000.00			0.0%
A: 00.00			v:00.00

2/6/8 | Revs | Time | Velocity

The first screen displays for the user the transect number, station number and then the vertical data observation flags (VERT. DATA OBS FLGS), flags 1 - 7. The second screen displays the subsection discharge (Q), subsection discharge as a percent of the estimated Q, subsection area (A), and the subsection velocity (V). The user must understand that this screen is only accurate if the subsection is completed. A completed subsection is the location and entry of the next vertical distance.

The Three Erase Functions

When you press the Erase key one of three screens will appear, depending on your location in the AquaCalc menu system:

1) Pressing Enter when this message appears in the display will reset the entire AquaCalc operating system including the user defined defaults and the Nonstandard Meter table constants. All entered data will be erased including all transect information. Use caution when erasing, know what you are erasing.

Transect	Station	Distance	Depth
ENTER to Reset			
AQC5000			

2/6/8 | Revs | Time | Velocity

2) Pressing Enter when this message appears in the display will reset one entire transect.

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Transect | Station | Distance | Depth
ENTER to Reset
Transect
2/6/8 | Revs | Time | Velocity

3) Pressing Enter when this message appears in the display will reset only the stations of a transect from the current station to the last or 99th station.

Transect | Station | Distance | Depth
ENTER to Reset
Stations to End
2/6/8 | Revs | Time | Velocity

Measurement Warnings

The following messages appear during measurements when the user attempts to perform a measurement outside of the established USGS guidelines:

Station Q Too High

When an estimated discharge value has been entered in the menu setup area, along with a percentage value, the AquaCalc will generate this warning when you have exceeded the percentage of the estimated Q in a single station. The first screen will display for the user of calculated station subQ discharge value and on the second line the maximum discharge value for that station based of the percentage of total value entered by the user. This value is normally set at 5% and 5% is the system default value.

Transect | Station | Distance | Depth
StsQ= 209.40
MAXSQ= 5.00
2/6/8 | Revs | Time | Velocity

Transect | Station | Distance | Depth
MAX WIDTH: 0.40
SET DIST: 20.2
2/6/8 | Revs | Time | Velocity

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The next screen that will appear then displays the maximum width (MAX WIDTH) the station can be to fall within the X% of the estimated Q guidelines. Remember the width of a vertical station is defined as half way to the previous vertical station plus halfway to the next vertical station. The second line displays the location of the next vertical station to insure that the station subQ will not exceed X% of the estimated Q.

Sounding Weight Too Small for Velocity

The following message will be displayed if the installed sounding weight (the weight being entered into the menu area) is too small for the measured velocity. This message indicates that insufficient weight is being used for the velocity of the stream. Continuing to measure with this condition may result in a measurement classified as "poor."

Transect	Station	Distance	Depth
WARNING: Sndng Wt Light for Velocity			
2/6/8	Revs	Time	Velocity

Velocity Faster at Bottom of Section

This message is notifying the user that while making a 2 & 8 measurement an abnormal condition occurred. The velocity near the stream bed is greater than the velocity near the surface. In this situation it is advisable to also take a 6 tenths measurement. The 2 tenths and the 8 tenths will be averaged together then averaged to the 6 tenths for an overall vertical velocity average.

Transect	Station	Distance	Depth
WARNING: .8 > .2 Abnormal velocity			
2/6/8	Revs	Time	Velocity

Measurement Out of Meter's Accepted Velocity Range

This message is notifying the user that the meter selected is either too large or too small for the velocity being measured.

Price AA calibration limits 0.25 to 8.0 feet per second. Pygmy calibration limits 0.25 to 3.0 feet per second.

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Transect | Station | Distance | Depth
**WARNING: Velocity
Out of Mtr Range**
2/6/8 | Revs | Time | Velocity

Measurement Out of Meter's Accepted Depth Range

This message is notifying the user that the meter selected is either too large or too small for the depth of water being measured.

Transect | Station | Distance | Depth
**WARNING: Depth
Out of Mtr Range**
2/6/8 | Revs | Time | Velocity

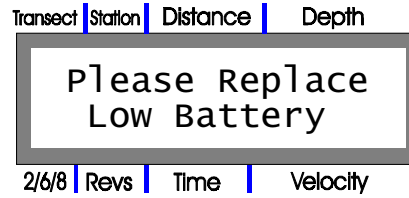
Powering Down

When the OFF key is pressed, and held, the Power Down message will be displayed briefly while the AquaCalc is taking care of "house keeping," insuring the memory stays intact.

Transect | Station | Distance | Depth
POWERING DOWN
2/6/8 | Revs | Time | Velocity

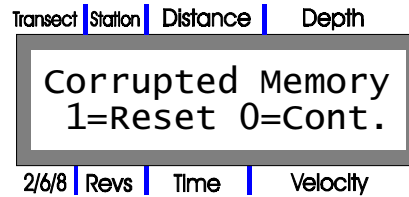
Low Battery

When the 9 volt battery drops below 6 volts the following is displayed.



Memory Corrupted

If the following appears, there is a serious problem with the AquaCalc. Please see the Problems and Troubleshooting section.



This display will appear if the memory has been corrupted during the period that the AquaCalc was turned off or if data was entered during a low battery condition. If you select "1" the entire memory of the AquaCalc will be reset to the initial default values, **ALL DATA WILL BE ERASED**. Selecting "0" will give you a chance to review your data and possibly even transfer it to a computer before initializing the AquaCalc and losing all of your data.

If this message is displayed and you have important data stored in the AquaCalc contact the manufacture and they can possibly assist in retrieving the data.

Note: This message will only be displayed if the Lithium backup battery has become disconnected or is in need of replacement. All data can be lost when this message appears.

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7 - Transferring Data to a Computer

Overview

The AquaCalc can transfer stream measurements to a computer for review, storage, and printing.

To transfer data to a computer the user must:

- 1 Physically connect the AquaCalc to a computer's serial port using the supplied Data Transfer Cable.**
- 2 Run and properly setup appropriate data transfer software on the computer.**
- 3 Prepare the AquaCalc for data transfer.**

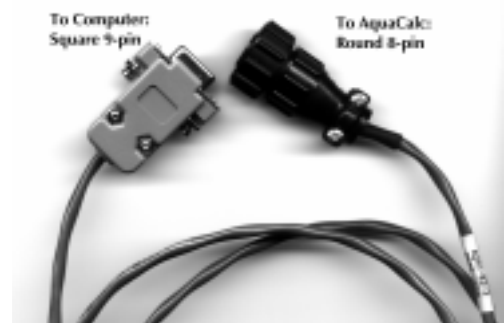


Software for your IBM compatible computer is supplied with the AquaCalc. The supplied software is for DOS (Upload) and Windows 95, 98 and NTtm (AquaCalc DataLink).

In addition, you may use a standard communications package normally supplied with modems and computers (PROCOMM, Crosstalk, Microphone, Terminal or Hyperterminal).

Connecting the AquaCalc to a Computer

The AquaCalc is supplied with a Data Transfer Cable (sometimes referred to as the "serial-communications cable") that is used to connect the AquaCalc to the serial port of your computer.



Data Transfer Cable

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On one end of this four foot cable is a round 8-pin connector that plugs into the AquaCalc "pig-tail". The other end is a standard 9-pin male connector which is plugged into the computer's 9-pin serial port.

Some older computers may have a 25-pin serial port. The Data Transfer Cable can be connected to a 25-pin serial port using a 25-pin to 9-pin adapter available from most stores that specialize in computer equipment, and electronic stores such as Radio Shack™.

Preparing the AquaCalc to Transfer Data

To prepare the AquaCalc to transfer data to a computer you must tell it how fast to transfer data to the computer, and then tell it which data to transfer.

Setting the Data Transfer (Baud) Rate

The AquaCalc can send data over the Data Transfer Cable to the computer at a rate that you select. The AquaCalc is set to transfer data at a default baud rate of 9600. You only need to set the baud rate once.

To select a data transfer (Baud) rate:

- 1 Press the Set up key to bring up the Main Menu.
- 2 At the Main Menu select the System Setup ("2=System") option by pushing the 2 key.
- 3 Repeatedly press the Enter key until the Change Baud (+ =Chg Baud) screen appears.
- 4 Press +/- key to toggle between 300, 2400, 4800, and 9600 baud. The default value is 9600. Press **Enter** to complete the selection.

Transect	Station	Distance	Depth
+Chg	Baud	x100	
3	24	48	*96
2/6/8	Revs	Time	Velocity

Selecting Data Transfer Options

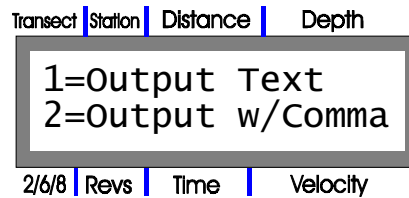
Once the AquaCalc and computer are connected via the Data Transfer Cable, and the transfer baud rate has been set, you must tell the AquaCalc what format you would like the output sent in, and which transects to send.

From the Main Menu (accessed by pressing the "Setup" key) Select "3= Upload".

- Select the output type: ASCII Text or comma separated values (CSV)
- Set the first transect to Upload,
- Set the number of transects, starting with the first transect selected to Upload all at one time.

Select Output Type

The first display allows the user to select the format used to send the data to the computer. The choices are Output Text (space delimited ASCII file) and Output w/ Comma (comma delimited ASCII file, or Comma Separated Values: CSV).



Press 1 or 2 depending on the format preferred. The selection of the Text format is commonly used for text editors while the selection of the CSV format is generally used for importing into databases and spreadsheets.

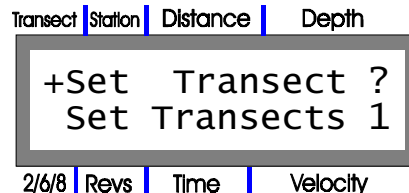
The next display will allow you to select the first transect to be Uploaded and the number of transects to be uploaded with a single command.

Selecting Transects to Transfer

Press the +/- key to enter the number of the first transect to be uploaded. Press **Enter** to complete the selection.

Other software options

This process can be used with a number of available RS 232 serial text capture applications. The preferred method is to use the Terminal or Hyperterminal package found in the accessories section of your Windows operating system.



Press the +/- key to enter the number of transects to be uploaded at a time.

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Transect	Station	Distance	Depth
Set Transect 5 +Set Transects ?			
2/6/8	Revs	Time	Velocity

Starting the Data Transfer

At this point the AquaCalc is ready to send data to the computer. If you have not already done so, start the Data Transfer program provided with the AquaCalc on the computer that will be used to receive the data.

When the computer is ready, press the Enter key to start the Upload process.

Note:

The AquaCalc defaults to a baud rate of 2400 as well as the Upload program.

Transect	Station	Distance	Depth
ENTER Starts Transect Upload			
2/6/8	Revs	Time	Velocity

Once the Upload process is completed you will be returned to the Main Menu where you may once again select the Upload option by pressing the 3 key to begin another data transfer.

Using the Data Transfer Programs

There are two programs available to assist you in retrieving data from your AquaCalc and transferring it to a personal computer. Both are designed to work on IBM compatible computers running Windows 95 or 98. Users of other types of computers can use a communications or terminal program as described at the end of this chapter.

- The AquaCalc DataLink program is a Windows 95 / 98 / NT compatible program.
- The UPLOAD program is a DOS based program that can run on most Windows systems.

Note: Instructions are also included here for an older program AQTerminal which has been replaced by DataLink.

The AquaCalc DataLink Program

The AquaCalc DataLink software is provided for your use with the AquaCalc to transfer the field data from the AquaCalc to a Personal Computer. The program is a 32 bit Windows program and will only run on 95, 98 and NT. DataLink requires an available serial port and enough disk space to save the transferred files.

To install and transfer data using the DataLink software you will need:

- The three 3.5" installation diskettes,
- a four foot cable P/N AQ5C-82-3 with an AquaCalc 5000 8-pin CPC connector on one end, and a standard 9-pin connector on the other end.

Installing the DataLink Program

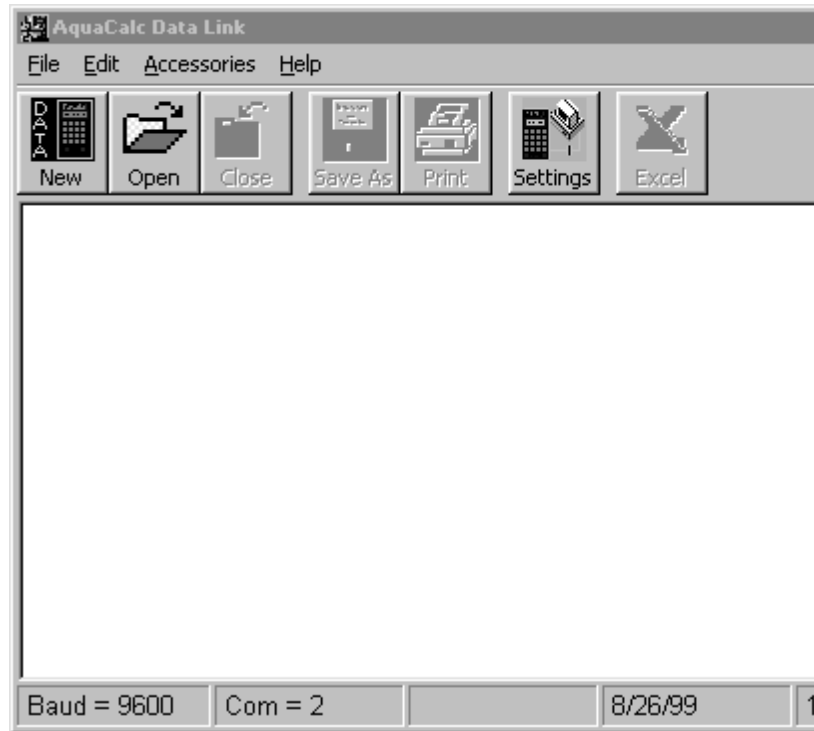
To install the software on your computer:

- 1) Place disk number one in the computer's 3.5 inch drive bay,
- 2) Select Run... from the Start menu.
- 3) Type a:\setup in the Run dialog box or use the Browse... button to find the setup.exe program on the installation diskette.
- 4) Follow the instructions on-screen to install the DataLink software to your hard disk.

Using DataLink

Once you have installed the DataLink program you may start it by selecting its icon in the Start menu.

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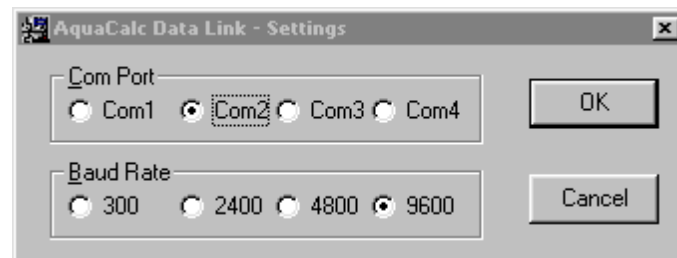
Setting Up DataLink

From your PC start the DataLink program.

Click the Settings button to bring up the Settings dialog box.

Prepare the AquaCalc for Data Transfer

See "Preparing to Transfer Data" at the beginning of this chapter for information on setting the baud rate and preparing the AquaCalc data transfer.



Choose the appropriate communications port and baud rate. The baud rate you choose must match the baud rate you set in the AquaCalc. The default baud rate is 9600.

Select the New button from the tool bar. The Create New Capture Dialogue box will appear on the screen requesting that you create a new file or overwrite an existing file, you can also append data to an existing file. A dialog box will appear telling you to press Enter on the AquaCalc .

Once you have selected a file name, the status bar at the bottom of the DataLink will display "Connected"

You are now ready to transfer data.

Transferring Data

Once you have set up the AquaCalc and the DataLink program you are ready to transfer data. The status bar at the bottom of the DataLink program will display "Connected"

Press Enter on the AquaCalc to send data to the PC. The AquaCalc will display "Transect Upload" on the screen.

After the AquaCalc recalculates the discharge for the transects selected, it will send the selected cross-section(s) to the PC. Data will begin to appear on-screen. You should now have your data in a file on your computer.

If you see no data on-screen, or the output looks scrambled, see [Troubleshooting](#)

Editing Data in DataLink

The text box that allows you to view your data has full editing capabilities. You may modify, cut, copy and paste data in this window.

Once you have finished your editing you can use the Save As toolbar button and save your file to a new name therefore preserving the original file that was transferred.

Printing Data in DataLink

When sending your data to a printer, the system default printer is used. You may select a printer and print options in the Print dialog box that will open when you select Print from the File Menu.

Opening Data in Excel

Once you have transferred your data, you can send it directly to Excel for further manipulations. By pressing the Excel button on the toolbar. DataLink opens the file in Excel parsed and formatted.

Note: You must have Excel 97 or later for this feature to work.

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DataLink then asks you to save the file. If you select "Cancel" in this dialog box the file stays open. If you make any changes or close it later you will again be asked you to name the file and specify a location to save it..

Note: When using the Excel button on the DataLink toolbar you will open a new instance of Excel whether you already have another instance open or not. You therefore may have several instances of Excel open at the same time.

Troubleshooting

If you see no data, check the cable and verify that you are connected to the correct communications port (COM 1 through 4). Use Settings from the toolbar and select another communications port.

If the data appears scrambled and illegible, check that you have set the baud rate the same on the AquaCalc and the Data Link program.

Menu Items

File menu:

New - Opens the serial communications port and requests the user to open a new file for storage of the data being sent by the AquaCalc.

Open - Allows the user to open any text file and modify the file for further processing. Older AquaCalc files can be opened and the Excel routine can be used to send them to Excel as long as the file is a comma delimited type .csv or other Ascii comma delimited file.

Close - Closes the communication port, close the transferred data file and clears the screen.

Save As - Allows the user to edit the data file and save it under another name without disturbing the original file.

Print - Allows the user to print the file to the system default printer.

Settings - Allows the user to change the COM port and the baud rate.

Exit - Exit and closes all open files.

Edit Menu:

Copy - Allows the user to select and copy the selection to other windows based programs.

Select All - Allows the user to select all the data in the text box.

Delete - Allows the user to delete the selected portion of the data.

Accessories Menu:

Excel -Allows the user to open up a copy of the data in the text box in an Excel format. There are two limitations to this utility,

- 1) The user must have Excel 97 or greater and,
- 2) the file must be of the comma delimited type.

Using the UPLOAD Program

The UPLOAD program is a simple DOS based program that can also be configured to run in Windows.

Installing the UPLOAD Program

The first method is a simple ASCII data transfer using the UPLOAD program which is included in your package. For ease of data transfer the following are provided with your AquaCalc 5000:

- a 1.14 M, 3.5" DOS diskette with the upload software package **UPLOAD.EXE**, its necessary and associated **AQPARAM.AQU** file
- a four foot cable P/N AQ5C-82-3 with an AquaCalc 5000 8-pin CPC connector on one end, and a standard 9-pin connector on the other end.

To use UPLOAD:

- 1) Copy the entire contents of the UPLOAD disk to the disk drive and subdirectory where you wish to save the data being transferred.
- 2) Next, with the AquaCalc turned off, plug the 9 pin DIN end of the cable supplied with your AquaCalc, into an available serial COM port on your PC computer. Attach other end to the AquaCalc pigtail. Turn on the AquaCalc 5000.
- 3) At the DOS prompt of your personal computer, change to the drive and directory where you have copied the AquaCalc UPLOAD program files and type **UPLOAD**. This will activate the Upload program.

The Main UPLOAD Screen

After the opening screen the computer will display the main Upload screen. On the top line of the computer screen you will find information regarding the current setup of the Upload program:

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Baud = 2400 COM = 1 File = Settings 8, 2, & N

On the bottom line (line 25) of the computer screen you will find a list of options which can be activated by pressing the appropriate function key:

F2 = Setup F3 = Download F4 = Quit F5 = Print

The Function keys allow you to setup your COM port and baud rate, download data from the AquaCalc, and preview or print your data files.

F2 = Setup - This selection allows you to select either COM 1 or 2 and select Baud rates of 300, 1200, and 2400. A baud rate of 4800 is also available on the AquaCalc for use with other programs. The communications settings are 8 data bits, 2 stop bits, and no parity. Once you have selected your communications parameters you will be asked if you want to save them to AQPARAM.AQU, the other file found on your disk. When saved to this file the new settings become the start-up defaults.

F3 = Download - This selection will prompt you to input a file name (drive and directory are optional) and then request you Press **ENTER** on the AquaCalc to start the data transfer process.

F4 = Quit - Use this key to end your Upload program.

F5 = Print - This key will allow you to print your file to the screen or to a parallel printer on LPT1.

Lesson: A Sample UPLOAD Session

The following is an example of a typical upload from the AquaCalc to a lap top, hard disk system, follow along on your AquaCalc.

Use standard DOS commands to go to the subdirectory in which you have copied the UPLOAD.EXE and AQPARAM.AQU program. At the DOS prompt type:

```
UPLOAD <Return>
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The computer will then display two screens: The opening screen followed by the main Upload screen.

In the main Upload screen:

- 1) Press **F2**, to select the baud rate and COM port to be used. Insure that the baud rate you have selected on the AquaCalc in the System section of the Main Menu (see the heading **Baud x100:**) matches the selection here. If the baud rates do not match you will get an unrecoverable error when trying to upload the file.
- 2) Press **F3**, Type in the name of the file (drive and directory optional) you want the data stored in when transferred from the AquaCalc.

- 3) On the AquaCalc select the **3 = Upload** from the Main Menu. The AquaCalc will display the following screen:

```

Transect | Station | Distance | Depth
-----|-----|-----|-----
1=Output Text
2=Output w/Comma
2/6/8 | Revs | Time | Velocity

```

- Press 1 to send data to computer as an ASCII file or press 2 to send data to computer as a comma separated ASCII file. Once you have selected the format of data. The AquaCalc will display the following screen:

```

Transect | Station | Distance | Depth
-----|-----|-----|-----
+Set Transect ?
Set Transects
2/6/8 | Revs | Time | Velocity

```

```

Transect | Station | Distance | Depth
-----|-----|-----|-----
Set Transect
+Set Transects ?
2/6/8 | Revs | Time | Velocity

```

- The first line of the display is requesting the number of the first transect you would like to send to the PC. Press the +/- key and enter the number of the beginning transect. Press enter to advance to the second line. The second line of the display is requesting the number of transects you would like to upload at one time. Press the +/- key and enter the number of transects to send to the computer. Note: The maximum number of transects that can be uploaded at any one time is nine.

- You will then be requested by both the AquaCalc and the computer to press **ENTER** on the AquaCalc.

```

Transect | Station | Distance | Depth
-----|-----|-----|-----
ENTER Starts
Transect Upload
2/6/8 | Revs | Time | Velocity

```

If all settings are correct you will now see data being displayed on the screen.

- 4) Press **F5 = Print**. You will be prompted to type in the name of the file you want to send to the printer.
- 5) Press **F4 = Quit** to end the Upload process.

Using the AQ Terminal Program

The AQ Terminal program is an older Windows based terminal program. It has been replaced by the DataLink package. These instructions are included for those users who might still have the program.

Installing the AQ Terminal Program

Note: This program has been replaced by the AquaCalc DataLink program.

This method is also simple ASCII data transfer using the AQTerminal program which is included in your package. The AQTerminal program will only run on Windows 95, 98 and NT™. For ease of data transfer the following are provided with your AquaCalc 5000:

- two 3.5" diskettes with the upload software package **AQTerminal**,
- a four foot cable P/N AQ5C-82-3 with an AquaCalc 5000 8-pin CPC connector on one end, and a standard 9-pin connector on the other end.

To use AQTerminal:

- 1) Place disk number one in the computer's 3.5 inch drive bay, use your mouse to select Start from the task bar, then select Settings, then Control Panel. Once in Control Panel select Add/Remove Programs, with your mouse press the install button and follow the installation instructions.
- 2) You have now successfully installed the AQTerminal program on your computer. At this point you can install a short cut on your desk top or access it from the Start Bar.
- 3) Once you have installed the AQTerminal program start it up. The first time you access the program you will have to initialize the Com Port and Baud Rate, from then on your settings will be stored in memory.
- 4) Next, with the AquaCalc turned off, plug the 9 pin DIN end of the cable supplied with your AquaCalc, into an available serial COM port on your PC computer. Attach other end to the AquaCalc pigtail. Turn on the AquaCalc 5000.
- 5) On your PC at the AQTerminal program from the File menu select Open Capture File, the directory and file menu will immediately open allowing you to select a file or name a new one to store the captured data that is being transferred from the AquaCalc.
- 6) On the AquaCalc select the **3 = Upload** from the Main Menu. The AquaCalc will display the following screen:

```

Transect | Station | Distance | Depth
-----|-----|-----|-----
1=Output Text
2=Output w/Comma
2/6/8 | Revs | Time | Velocity

```

Press 1 to send data to computer as an ASCII file or press 2 to send data to computer as a comma separated ASCII file. Once you have selected the format of data. The AquaCalc will display the following screen:

```

Transect | Station | Distance | Depth
-----|-----|-----|-----
+Set Transect ?
Set Transects
2/6/8 | Revs | Time | Velocity

```

```

Transect | Station | Distance | Depth
-----|-----|-----|-----
Set Transect
+Set Transects ?
2/6/8 | Revs | Time | Velocity

```

The first line of the display is requesting the number of the first transect you would like to send to the PC. Press the +/- key and enter the number of the beginning transect. Press enter to advance to the second line. The second line of the display is requesting the number of transects you would like to upload at one time. Press the +/- key and enter the number of transects to send to the computer. Note: The maximum number of transects that can be uploaded at any one time is nine.

You will then be requested by both the AquaCalc and the computer to press **ENTER** on the AquaCalc.

```

Transect | Station | Distance | Depth
-----|-----|-----|-----
ENTER Starts
Transect upload
2/6/8 | Revs | Time | Velocity

```

If all settings are correct you will now see data being displayed on the screen.

- 7) Once the transfer is completed select File from the menu and select either **Print** or **Close Capture File**.
- 5) Select File then **Exit** to end the Upload process.

Transferring Data using Standard Communications Packages

The alternative method available in transferring the transect information from the AquaCalc to a personal computer is to use a standard communications package. These programs may be included with computers and modems, or can be purchased separately (i.e.; PROCOMM, Crosstalk, Microphone).

To use these communications packages requires a little more knowledge of communications between computers, but will work just as well as the simple UPLOAD program enclosed with the AquaCalc.

To use one of these packages:

- 1) With the AquaCalc turned off, plug the 9 pin DIN end of the cable supplied with your AquaCalc, into an available serial COM port on your IBM type PC computer. Attach other end to the AquaCalc pigtail. Turn on the AquaCalc 5000.
- 2) Configure the AquaCalc for data transfer, by setting the desired baud rate in the System menu (see the heading "Entering System Information, **Baud X100**): Setting the data transfer baud rate" in the "Using Your AquaCalc" section.
- 3) Start the communications package and set the same baud rate in the communications parameters section of the package.
- 4) In the communications package select the ASCII text transfer as the *download* file transfer protocol.
- 5) On the AquaCalc select the **3 = Upload** from the Main Menu.
- 6) Select the format of the output, ASCII space separated text or ASCII comma separated text.
- 7) Select the transect to upload.
- 8) Select the number of transects to upload.
- 9) In the communication package, begin the *download* file transfer process by starting **Capture Text File**.
- 10) Press **ENTER** on the AquaCalc to begin the data transfer. The AquaCalc will send an ASCII text file over the supplied cable and will signal the end the file transfer with an "End-of-File" flag.
- 11) Save the file just downloaded using the communications package.

An alternate and very reliable method is to use the Terminal or Hyperterminal package supplied with Windows 3.1, 95, 98 and NTtm. This is the preferred data transfer package and the instructions are supplied below.

Transferring Data Using Microsoft Windows 3.1, 95, 98 and NT™

There is a slightly different setup procedure when using Windows 95™, than with earlier versions of Windows. The setup steps for both are outlined below:

For Early Windows Systems (Windows 3.X)

1) Settings

A. At the Main Menu of your PC locate the Accessories area,

B. Select **Terminal**

C. Select the **Settings** pull down menu,

D. Select **Communications**,

E. Specify the following:

Bits per sec. (Baud Rate) = 9600

Data bits = 8

Stop bits = 1

Parity = None

Flow control = None

Connector = Select the RS232 Port ; either COM1, COM 2, COM 3 or COM 4. If there is a conflict you will be notified.

F. Select **O.K.**

2) Save Settings

A. Select **Save As**. Specify a name and Icon for this configuration and place it on your desk top or another convenient place for quick access. Next time you will avoid having to repeat all the previous setup because you can go directly to the file or Icon. An appropriate name would be AQUACALC.TRX.

3) Transferring Data

A. On the Terminal pull down menu select Receive Text File

B. Name the file to be transferred. An appropriate name would be 061196T1 etc. (a maximum of 8 characters).

C. Connect the upload cable to the designated communications port on your computer and the AquaCalc

D. Turn the AquaCalc ON

E. On the AquaCalc, under 2=System, specify a Baud rate of 9600

F. At the main menu, press 3 = Upload

G. Press ENTER

For Windows 95, 98 / NT Systems

1) Settings

A. At the Main Menu of your PC locate the Accessories,

B. Select **HyperTerminal**,

C. Select **Hypertrm**,

D. Select a name and icon for the upload program. An example of a possible name AQUACALC UPLOAD,

E. Press **ENTER**

F. Select **O.K.**

G. At the **Phone Number** menu, go to **Connect Using** and select one of the following: **Direct to Com 1, Direct to Com 2, Direct to Com 3 or Direct to Com 4.**

H. Select **O.K.**

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I. At the **Port Settings** screen specify the following:

Bits per sec (Baud Rate) =	9600
Data bits =	8
Parity =	None
Stop bits =	1
Flow control =	Hardware

J. Select **O.K.**

2) Transfer Information

On The PC

A. Select **Transfer** from the pull down windows area,

B. Specify **Capture Text**

C. In the Capture Text window specify the file and folder location to store the uploaded data. For example C:\Files\Sacramento River\I Street Bridge\T1 06-06-96.txt.

D. Press **Start.**

On The AquaCalc

A. Connect the upload cable to the AquaCalc and to your computer.

B. Turn the **AquaCalc ON**, Press **Enter** then Press **Setup** to access Main Menu.

C. At the **Main Menu Press 2** for the System Menu then use the enter key 5 times to pan through the menus to access the Change Baud Rate Screen, specify a Baud rate of 4800.

D. Press Setup to return to the Main Menu and select 3 for Upload

E. Select the type of data format Space or Comma separated values.

F. Next Select the Transect and the number of transects to upload.

F. Press Enter

Sample Text Output

The following is a print out of a typical Transect.

```

GAGE ID#      100-9865-3
DATE          4/18/96
TRANSECT      01
USER ID#      1857
GAGE HEIGHT   7.65
STAFF HEIGHT  7.56
GH BEGIN      7.56
GH END        7.55
EST. DISCHARGE 250
GAGE ID#      123456
AQUACALC ID# 300
SOUNDING WT.  0
START MEAS. AT LEW
METER TYPE    Price AA 1:1
METER CONST. C1 2.18
METER CONST. C2 0.02
METER CONST. C3 2.17
METER CONST. C4 0.03
METER CONST. C5 2.2
MEASUREMENT TIME 40
MEAS. SYSTEM  SAE
PERCENT SLOPE 1.01
TOTAL STATIONS 13
TOTAL WIDTH    40
TOTAL AREA     121
TOTAL DISCHARGE 298
PCT DIFFERENCE 19.2
MEAN VELOCITY  2.46
WETTED PERIMETER 39.22
RADIAL FACTOR  0.32
MANNING FACTOR 0.02

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OBS	DIST	DEPTH	ICE	REVS	TIME	COS:VF	LOC	COEF	CLOCK	VEL	AREA	FLOWQ)	FLAGS
1	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	6	1	17:53	0	0	0
2	4	6	0	0	0	0	0.85	W	1	17:53	2.5	24	51
3	12	6	0	0	0	0	1	2	1	17:54	2.5	33	82.5 1 7
4	12	6	0	0	0	0	1	8	1	0:00	2.5	0	0 7
5	15	6.5	0	0	0	0	1	2	1	17:55	2.5	26	65 1 7
6	15	6.5	0	0	0	0	1	8	1	0:00		2.5	0 0
7													
7	20	4	0	0	0	0	1	2	1	17:56	2.5	20	50 1 7
8	20	4	0	0	0	0	1	8	1	0:00	2.5	0	0 7
9	25	2	0	0	0	0	1	2	1	17:56	2.5	10	25 7
10	25	2	0	0	0	0	1	8	1	0:00	2.5	0	0 7
11	30	1.5	0	0	0	0	1	6	1	17:57	3	8.25	24.75 7
12	36	0	0	0	0	0	1	6	1	17:57	0	0	0
13	40	0	0	0	0	0	1	6	1	17:58	0	0	0

1. USER EXCEEDED SINGLE SUBSECTION 05% EST. Q.
2. THE PRODUCT OF VELOCITY AND DEPTH EXCEEDED THE SELECTED SOUNDING WEIGHT.
3. INCORRECT METER USED FOR DEPTH OF STREAM.
4. INCORRECT METER USED FOR VELOCITY OF STREAM.
5. ABNORMAL VELOCITY PROFILE CALCULATED.
6. DEPTH ESTIMATED BY USER.
7. VELOCITY ESTIMATED BY USER.
8. TURBULENT VELOCITY MEASURED

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Description of Output

The text output for a single cross-section has three basic parts:

Section Header

The section header contains information about the Measurement site as entered by the user, the meter information, default settings, and a cross-section summary.

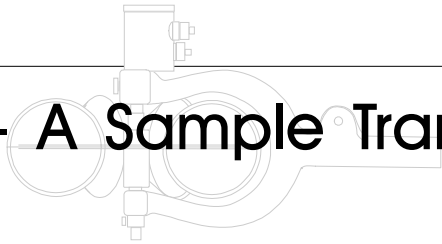
Observation Data

The observation data is presented in a tabular form providing all of the recorded measurement information for each of the observations.

Error Flag Footer

The Error Flag Footer occurs at the end of the output. If several sections were output together, the footer would appear after the last section's observation data. The footer provides a description of all potential errors the AquaCalc would note in the Flags column. Only those flags noted in the Flags column actually occurred.

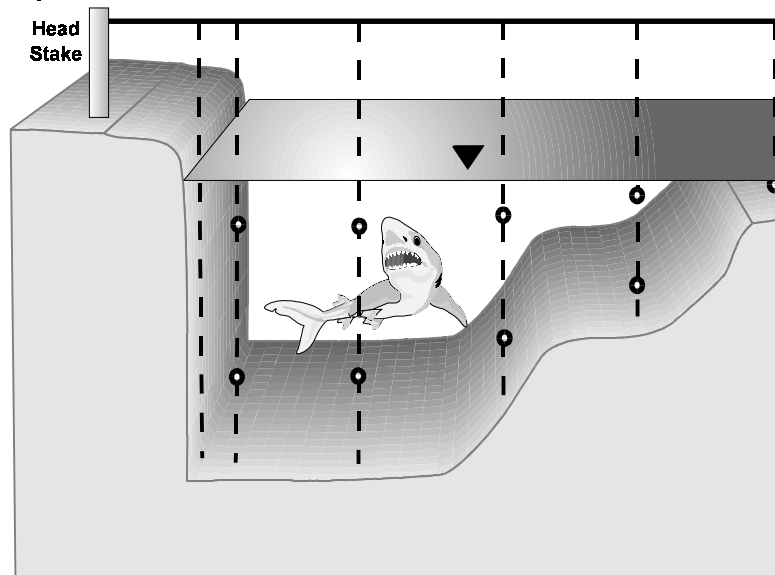
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Sample Transect

In the following example, a simplified transect is used to illustrate how to use the AquaCalc. It is assumed that you have set up your AquaCalc, you are now ready to measure and the transect is completely empty.

	E.O.W.						
	Left Bank						
Station	1	2	3,4	5,6	7,8	9,10	11
Distance	0	4	12	15	20	25	30
Depth	0	6	6	6.5	4	2	1.5



Using the Auto Calculate Distance Mode

Note, in the following descriptions,

P&H (PRESS & HOLD):

means to press and the key until the display changes.

The AquaCalc Clock

AquaCalcs with serial numbers less than 400 must set the date and time.

AquaCalcs with serial numbers greater than or equal to 400 have real time clocks.

The following is a key-by-key description of the keystrokes necessary to enter the information associated with the sample transect. The automated mode used is the Calc. Dist Mode, which is set in the **SetDist MD** menu found in the System Set up area. **P&H (PRESS & HOLD)** means to press and hold the key until the display changes.

	Press	Followed	Comments
1)	ON		The AquaCalc will perform an internal system check of memory, battery condition and then display the Date and Time screen.
3)	HH.MM.SS		Check the date and time to insure accuracy, change if necessary.
4)	ENTER		Press Enter this will put you in the memory status screen, press Enter again and the Transect status screen will be displayed. Pressing Enter again will display the main measurement area.

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	<u>Press</u>	<u>Followed</u>	<u>Comments</u>	
Main Menu When setting up the AquaCalc prior to making a measurement, refer to the section on Setting Up.	5)	Setup	By You are now in the Main Menu area.	
	6)	1	ID, Hardware, and Transect Information Area. This is where you will enter data to define the parameters for measuring your transect, by using ENTER to toggle through the choices and using the +/- key to make your selections. When completed you will return to the Main Menu.	
	7)	Setup	You are now back in the Main Menu.	
	8)	2	System Area. This is where you will enter data define the System defaults by using ENTER to toggle through the choices and using the +/- key to make your selections. When completed you will return to the Main Menu.	
	9)	Setup	You are now back to the Main Menu.	
	Station #1	10)	0	You will now be in the measurement display ready to measure a stream, canal, or river. Insure the AquaCalc is on Station #1. Both values of distance and depth should also equal zero .
		11)	Erase	ENTER This will erase all data in the stations from 1 to the end.
		12)	Next Station	Advances instrument to Station #2. The display will read Station Empty. Note: When using the next station key to advance to a new station press and hold the key for automated data entry, when toggling between existing stations press and immediately release the key.
	Station #2 E.O.W. L.B.	13)	Set Distance	4, ENTER Sets distance for Station #2 at 4.0 ft.
		14)	Set Depth	6, ENTER Sets depth for Station #2 at 6.00 ft.
15)		4	+/- Displays the LOC screen. Selects a W to indicate a vertical wall measurement. A W will appear in the 2/6/8 area of the display.	
16)		Cosine Correction1, .85	Selects the Set COS:VF function and enters a .85 factor. This factor is determined by the users observation of the relationship of the adjacent vertical to the depth of the stream. More information for vertical wall measurements can be found on page 82 of Water Supply Paper 2175.	
Vertical Wall Station				

	<u>Press</u>	<u>Followed</u>	<u>Comments</u> <u>By</u>
<p>VF Vertical W Factor This value is used to estimate a velocity next to a vertical wall based on the distance to and depth of the adjacent vertical.</p>	17) Next Station		Advances instrument to Station #3. Note Station Empty message
	18) Set Distance	12, <i>ENTER</i>	Sets distance for Station #3 at 12.0 ft.
	19) Set Depth	6, <i>ENTER</i>	Sets depth for Station #3 at 6.00 ft.
<p>Station #3</p>	20) 4	2	Selects a 2 to indicate a 2 tenths measurement. A 2 will appear in the 2/6/8 area of the display. Set the meter to a depth 20% from the surface. This depth is calculated for you and flashed on the display. Note the value flashed in the display is dependent on the selection of a sounding weight. If a value for the sounding weight is greater than zero then the LCD will display the actual distance from the surface to set the meter. However, if the value for the sounding weight is zero the LCD will display the distance from the surface to set the meter as read on a top set wading rod. Wait for current meter to stabilize in the stream.
<p>Station Empty When the user is advancing stations manually this message will appear. This message is cleared by entering a depth</p>			
<p>Automatic Calculation of Meter Location The AquaCalc calculates the .2, .6, and .8 meter location for the user. This calculation is dependent upon the sounding weight selection.</p>	21) Measure		AquaCalc will start the stopwatch, count the revolutions and display the running average velocity. Meas. Complete will appear in the display when finished. Press any key to clear the message. <i>If a negative velocity is observed, press Cosine Correction, then press 1=Set COS:VF and enter -1.</i>
<p>Two Point Measurement Method: Steps 19 through 36 covers the two point measurement method.</p>	22) Any Key		Press any key to return to the main measurement display.
	23) P&H Next Station 8		Automatically sets up the display for an 8 tenths measurement and automatically enters distance and depth. Set the meter to the appropriate depth as flashed in the display, 80% from the surface. Wait for current meter to stabilize in the stream.
<p>Negative Velocity If a negative velocity is observed, press Cosine Correction, then 1 and enter in a - 1.</p>	24) Measure		AquaCalc will start the stopwatch, count the revolutions and display the running average velocity. Meas. Complete will appear in the display when finished. Press any key to clear the message.
<p>Station #4</p>	25) Any Key		Press any key to return to the main measurement display area.

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	<u>Press</u>	<u>Followed</u> <u>By</u>	<u>Comments</u>
<p>+ Nxt Dist 1=S 6 9=B Notice the screen has the 2 8 & W missing, this is to inform the user that the 2 an 8 measurement have been taken and since a measurement has been taken, a wall measurement can't be taken. Press the +/- key to automatically move to the next Station #5</p>	26) P&H Next Station+		By pressing +Nxt Dist you are advancing to station #5 and setting up the display for a new vertical.
	27) Set Distance	15, ENTER	The auto distance for Station #5 was 20 based on the previous stations. This value was incorrect and therefore changed to the correct distance of 15.0 ft.
	28) Set Depth	6.5, ENTER	Sets depth for Station #5 at 6.50 ft.
	29) 4	2	Selects a 2 to indicate a 2 tenths measurement. A 2 will appear in the 2/6/8 area of the display. Set the meter at the appropriate depth as flashed in the display, 20% from the surface. Wait for current meter to stabilize in the stream.
	30) Measure		AquaCalc will start the stopwatch, count the revolutions and display the running average velocity. Meas. Complete will appear in the display when finished. Press any key to clear the message.
<p>Station #6</p>	31) Any Key		Press any key to return to the main measurement display.
	32) P&H Next Station 8		Changes to the next station, station #6, sets up the display for an 8 tenths measurement and enters distance and depth. Set the meter at the appropriate depth as flashed in the display, 80% from the surface. Wait for current meter to stabilize in the stream.
	33) Measure		AquaCalc will start the stopwatch, count the revolutions and display the running average velocity. Meas. Complete will appear in the display when finished. Press any key to clear the message.
<p>Station #7</p>	34) Any Key		Press any key to return to the main measurement display.
	35) P&H Next Station+		Advances to station #7 and sets up the display for a new vertical.
	36) Set Distance	20, ENTER	The auto distance for Station #7 was 18.0 based on the previous stations. This value was changed to the correct distance of 20.0 ft.
	37) Set Depth	4, ENTER	Sets depth for Station #7 at 4.0 ft.
	38) 4	2	Select a 2 to indicate a 2 tenths measurement.

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	<u>Press</u>	<u>Followed By</u>	<u>Comments</u>
			A 2 will appear in the 2/6/8 area of the display. Set the meter at the appropriate depth as flashed in the display, 20% from the surface. Wait for current meter to stabilize in the stream.
	39) Measure		AquaCalc will start timing, counting, and will display the running velocity. Meas. Complete will appear in the display when finished. Press any key to clear display.
	40) Any Key		Press any key to return to the main measurement display.
Station #8	41) P&H Next Station 8		Advances to station #8 and sets up the display for an 8 tenths measurement and enters distance and depth. Set the meter at the appropriate depth as flashed in the display, 80% from the surface. Wait for current meter to stabilize in the stream.
	42) Measure		AquaCalc will start timing, counting, and will display the running velocity. Meas. Complete will appear in the display when finished. Press any key to clear display.
	43) Any Key		Press any key to return to the main measurement display.
Station #9	44) P&H Next Station +		Advances to station #9 and sets up the display for a new vertical.
	45) Set Depth	2, ENTER	Sets depth for Station #9 at 2.0 ft.
	46) 2		Select a 2 to indicate a 2 tenths measurement. A 2 will appear in the 2/6/8 area of the display. Set the meter at the appropriate depth as flashed in the display, 20% from the surface. Wait for current meter to stabilize in the stream.
	47) Measure		AquaCalc will start timing, counting, and will display the running velocity. Meas. Complete will appear in the display when finished. Press any key to clear display.
	48) Any Key		Press any key to return to the main measurement display.
Station #10	49) P&H Next Station 8		Advance to station #10 and sets up the display for an 8 tenths measurement and enters distance and depth. Set the meter at the appropriate depth as flashed in the display, 80% from the surface. Wait for current meter to stabilize in the stream.

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	<u>Press</u>	<u>Followed</u>	<u>Comments</u> <u>By</u>
	50) Measure		AquaCalc will start timing, counting, and will display the running velocity. Meas. Complete will appear in the display when finished. Press any key to clear display.
	51) Any Key		Press any key to return to the main measurement display.
Station #11	52) P&H Next Station	+	Advances to station #11 and sets up the display for a new vertical.
	53) Set Depth	1.5, ENTER	Sets depth for Station #11 at 1.5 ft.
Single point / 0.6 measurement	54) 6		Selects a 6 to indicate a 6 tenths measurement. A 6 will appear in the 2/6/8 area of the display. Set the meter at the appropriate depth as flashed in the display, 60% from the surface. Wait for current meter to stabilize in the stream.
	55) Measure		AquaCalc will start timing, counting, and will display the running velocity. Meas. Complete will appear in the display when finished. Press any key to clear display.
	56) Any Key		Press any key to return to the main measurement display.
Station #12 E.O.W. R.B.	57) P&H Next Station	+	Advances to station #12 and sets up the display for a new vertical.
	58) Set Distance	36, ENTER	The auto distance for Station #12 was 35.0 based on the previous stations. This value was changed to the correct distance of 36.0 ft.
	59) Set Depth	0, ENTER	Sets depth for Station #12 at 0.0 ft. for the right Bank, EOW station.
	60) 6		Selects a 6 to indicate a 6 tenths measurement. A 6 will appear in the 2/6/8 area of the display.
Warning: When not using the P&H automated feature you must key in a "0" for the depth even though the display shows "0.00". You must always enter a measurement location even though the depth is zero. Any location indicator may be used except the wall, "W" location, which has special mathematical properties.	61) P&H Next Station	+	Advances to station #13 and sets up the display for a new vertical.
	62) Set Distance	40, ENTER	The auto distance for Station #13 was 42.0 based on the previous stations. This value was changed to the correct distance of 40.0 ft.
	63) Set Depth	0, ENTER	Sets depth for Station #13 at 0.0 ft.
	64) 6		Selects a 6 to indicate a 6 tenths measurement. A 6 will appear in the 2/6/8 area of the display.

	<u>Press</u>	<u>Followed</u>	<u>Comments</u>
Calculate Discharge	65)	<i>Calculate Discharge</i>	<u>By</u> Calculates total discharge of the stream and mean velocity for the transect. Press any key to return to the main database area.
	66)	<i>Any Key</i>	You are now back in the main database area at the last active station.

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What the data looks like

The following is a print out of the Transect information for the previous sample transect as retrieved from the AquaCalc using the UPLOAD program.

```
AquaCalc 5000(tm) by JBS Instruments
Firmware Version H4c (c) 1995 1996 1997 1998
  GAGE ID#      100-9865-3
    DATE      07/01/98
  TRANSECT     01
  USER ID#    1857
  SH BEGIN    7.65
  SH END      7.56
  GH BEGIN    7.56
  GH END      7.55
  EST. DISCHARGE 250
  EST. Q (ADJ) 250
  METER ID    8304
  AQUACALC ID# 700
  SOUNDING WT.30
  START MEAS. AT LEW
    METER TYPE Price AA 1:1
  METER CONST. C1 2.18
  METER CONST. C2 0.02
  METER CONST. C3 2.17
  METER CONST. C4 0.03
  METER CONST. C5 2.2
  MEASUREMENT TIME 40
  MEAS. SYSTEM SAE
  PERCENT SLOPE 1.01
  TOTAL STATIONS 13
  TOTAL WIDTH 40
  TOTAL AREA 121
  TOTAL DISCHARGE 298
  PCT DIFFERENCE 19.2
  MEAN VELOCITY 2.46
  WETTED PERIMETER 39.22
  RADIAL FACTOR 0.32
  MANNING FACTOR 0.02
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OBS	DIST	DEPTH	ICE	REVS	TIME	COS:VF	LOC	COEF	CLOCK	VEL	AREA	FLOWQ)	FLAGS
1	0	0	0	0	0	1	6	1	17:53	0	0	0	
2	4	6	0	0	0	0.85	W	1	17:53	2.5	24	51	
3	12	6	0	0	0	1	2	1	17:54	2.5	33	82.5	1 7
4	12	6	0	0	0	1	8	1	0:00	2.5	0	0	7
5	15	6.5	0	0	0	1	2	1	17:55	2.5	26	65	1 7
6	15	6.5	0	0	0	1	8	1	0:00	2.5	0	0	7
7	20	4	0	0	0	1	2	1	17:56	2.5	20	50	1 7
8	20	4	0	0	0	1	8	1	0:00	2.5	0	0	7
9	25	2	0	0	0	1	2	1	17:56	2.5	10	25	7
10	25	2	0	0	0	1	8	1	0:00	2.5	0	0	7
11	30	1.5	0	0	0	1	6	1	17:57	3	8.25	24.75	7
12	36	0	0	0	0	1	6	1	17:57	0	0	0	
13	40	0	0	0	0	1	6	1	17:58	0	0	0	

Using the % Flow Mode

Warning:

This method must be used by experienced hydrographers only, judgement must be used in certain circumstances to obtain good results.

The following is a key-by-key description of the keystrokes necessary to simulate measurement of the sample transect. The **Calculate % Flow** feature, is based on the 5% rule developed by the USGS. This measurement method will calculate the location of the next vertical based on the standard 5% rule. **The 5% rule was developed so that the hydrographer’s measurements will not exceed 5% of the total discharge in any one vertical section, thus, potentially, biasing the measurement.** *Warning: This method should be used by experienced hydrographers only, judgement must be used in certain circumstances to obtain good results.*

Note:

Your calculated distances will differ from this example because your velocities will not match!

Set up the AquaCalc and enter the information necessary to describe the transect. Then from the Main Menu access the System Menu, Press enter to toggle to +=Chg SetDist MD menu, Press + to Toggle to Calc. %FLOW Mode, Press 0 to return to the Main Menu, Press 1 to access Transect Information menu, Press 2, to access the +Set Est.Tot. Q screen, Press + and enter an estimated total discharge value of 250 cfs, notice when Enter is pressed the same value appears in the +Set Adj.Tot. Q, Press Enter again to access +Set MaxQ/Stat’n as % of Total Q screen, Press + to enter a percentage usually 5%, Press Enter again if you anticipate 2 & 8 measurements and remove the asterisk from the .6 by toggling the +/- key, Press Setup twice then 0 to return to the main database area.

Note, in the following descriptions,

P&H (PRESS & HOLD): means to press and the key until the display changes.

	<u>Press</u>	<u>Followed</u>	<u>Comments</u> <u>By</u>
1)	ON		The AquaCalc will perform an internal system check of memory, battery condition and then display the Date and Time screen. Check the date and time to insure accuracy, change if necessary.
2)	ENTER		By pressing enter three times you are placed directly into the last transect and station when the unit was turned off.
3)	Setup		You are now in the Main Menu area.
4)	2	ENTER	Go to System Area.
5)	Enter		Press Enter a total of 2 times until you see the +Chg SetDist MD.

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	<u>Press</u>	<u>Followed</u>	<u>Comments</u> <u>By</u>
	6) +		This will toggle between the two available modes DIST. and %FLOW. Select the %FLOW mode.
	7) Setup		You are now back in the Main Menu.
	8) 1		Transect information menu
<p>Note: To use the % FLOW feature of the AquaCalc you must enter an estimated discharge value.</p>	9) 2	+, 250	This first screen after pressing the +/- key you will enter 250 cfs for the estimated flow in the sample transect.
	10) ENTER		This next screen is the Adj. Tot. Q, as you can see the value entered into the previous screen is automatically entered into this screen. This is done to preserve the original value of the estimated Q, while allowing the user to change the adjusted value during the measurement. Upon completion of the measurement the adjusted value of Q is replaced with the computed value of Q. This is done to calculate and reset all of the flags that use the Estimated Q for calculations.
<p>Note: When it is understood that 2 tenths and 8 tenths measurements will be necessary you must deselect the .6 in the Change Auto Carry menu.</p>	10) ENTER	+, 5	This next screen is where the value of the percent of total flow is entered. In this case we are entering 5%.
	11) ENTER	+, +	Removes the asterisk from .6. The Chg Auto Carry screen allows the user any combination of preferences to automate the data entry process. The default for this screen is all asterisks on.
<p>Note: When using the next station key to advance to the next empty station, press and hold the key to activate automated data entry. When toggling between existing stations, just press and immediately release the key.</p>	12) Setup		You are now back to the Main Menu.
	13) 0		You will now be in the measurement display ready to measure a stream, canal, or river. Insure the AquaCalc is on Station #1. Both values of distance and depth should equal zero. If the display reads TR DATE MM/DD/YY then a velocity measurement has been made in this transect and the user should review the data before erasing the transect.
<p>Station #2</p>	14) P&H Next Station	ENTER	This will advance the AquaCalc to the next station. Notice that a message flashed on the screen. The message read Manual Set Req'd, this message appears because there is insufficient information for the AquaCalc to calculate the distance to the next vertical.
	15) Set Distance	4, ENTER	Sets distance for Station #2 at 4.0 ft.

	<u>Press</u>	<u>Followed</u>	<u>Comments</u> <u>By</u>
<p>Note: The message "Manual Set Req'd" indicates the AquaCalc has insufficient information to calculate the location of the next station.</p>	16) Set Depth	6, ENTER	Sets depth for Station #2 at 6.00 ft. You will automatically setup for an 8 tenths measurement.
	17) 4	+/-	Selects a W to indicate a vertical wall. Notice a W appears in the 2/6/8 area of the display.
	18) Cosine Correction 1, .85		Selects the Set COS:VF function and enters a .85 factor. This factor is determined by the users observation of the relationship of the distance to the depth of the next vertical. More information for vertical wall measurements can be found on page 82 of Water Supply Paper 2175.
<p>Station #3</p> <p>Estimated Velocity To demonstrate the automated 5% flow feature the AquaCalc must have a velocity to calculate the next vertical. In this example we will use the Estimated Velocity feature to develop the velocities. An estimated velocity can be entered by pressing and holding the Measure key.</p>	19) P&H Next Station		Advances instrument to Station #3. Again the message Manual Set Req'd is flashed on the screen.
	20) Set Distance	12, ENTER	Sets distance for Station #3 at 12.0 ft.
	21) Set Depth	6, ENTER	Sets depth for Station #3 at 6.00 ft.
	22) 2		Selects a 2 to indicate a 2 tenths measurement.
<p>Station #4</p>	23) P&H Measure	1, ENTER	Instead of just pressing Measure to time and count the revolutions we will use the Estimated Velocity feature of the AquaCalc to demonstrate this mode of operation. Enter an estimated velocity of 1 fps. Notice the e in the display. The e in the display denotes an estimated value.
	24) P&H Next Station 8		Advances to station #4 and automatically sets up the display for an 8 tenths measurement and automatically enters distance and depth.
	25) P&H Measure	1, ENTER	Enter an estimated velocity of 1 fps.
<p>Station #5</p> <p>Your calculated distance will be slightly different.</p> <p>Note: If the "Manual Set Req'd" message ever appears you've exceeded the % Flow Mode criteria or there is insufficient data for a distance to be calculated.</p>	26) P&H Next Station +/-		By pressing +Nxt Dist you are advancing to station #5 and setting up the display for a new vertical. The auto distance for Station #5 was not calculated because it exceeded the 12.5 cfs or 5% of 250 cfs rule. The Set Manual Req'd message appeared indicating a problem. If we take 5% of the total flow and divide it by the velocity times the depth we can calculate the maximum width. $0.5 * 250 / 1 * 6 = 2.1$, the maximum width of the second vertical. Remember this is still just an approximation because we are using the values of the current station. In this case we have to go back and redo the second vertical and move it to a distance of 5 feet instead of 12.

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Station #4	27) Previous Station		Go back to station 4
Station #3	28) Previous Station		Go back to station 3
	29) Set Distance	5, ENTER	Change the distance at station #3 from 12 to 5. In the field you would have to check the depth at 5 and also remeasure.
Station #4	30) P&H Next Station	8	This will now set up the next station for an 8 tenths measurement. This was done to demonstrate the need for experience when using this function. An experienced hydrographer would have not allowed the first station that far away from the EOW. Remember the recommended width to satisfy the 5% rule is 5% of the total Q divided by velocity times depth, $.05 * Q / V * D$.
Station #5	31) P&H Next Station	+	By pressing +Nxt Dist you are advancing to station #5 and setting up the display for a new vertical. The auto distance for Station #5 was calculated for you at 8.1 feet now move to this location and check the depth, if the depth or velocity changed dramatically and depending on the velocity this location might also exceed the 5% rule.
	32) Set Depth	6.1, ENTER	Reset the depth. Depending upon what you entered at this station before going back to change the distances in the previous station you might or might not have the auto mode functional. If you did not see the LOC screen to set your location in the vertical then press and hold the Toggle .2.6.8 key to bring up the LOC screen to make your 8 tenths selection.
Note: Your calculated distance may differ.	33) 8		
	34) P&H Measure	1.2 ENTER	Enter an estimated velocity of 1.2 fps.
Station #6	35) P&H Next Station	2	Changes to the next station, #6, sets up the display for a 2 tenths measurement and enters distance and depth.
	36) P&H Measure	1.2 ENTER	Enter an estimated velocity of 1.2 fps.
Station #7	37) P&H Next Station	+	Advances to station #7 and sets up the display for a new vertical.
	38) Set Depth	6.2, ENTER	Sets depth for Station #7 at 6.2 ft.
	39) 8		Select the 8 tenths measurement location.
	40) P&H Measure	1.3, ENTER	Enter an estimated velocity of 1.3 fps.

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Station #8	41) P&H Next Station	2	Changes to the next station, #8, sets up the display for a 2 tenths measurement and enters distance and depth.
	42) P&H Measure	1.2 ENTER	Enter an estimated velocity of 1.3 fps.
Station #9	43) P&H Next Station	+	Advances to station #9 and sets up the display for a new vertical.
	44) Set Depth	6, ENTER	Sets depth for Station #9 at 6.0 ft.
Note: Your calculated distance may differ.	45) 8		Select the 8 tenths measurement location.
	46) P&H Measure	1.5, ENTER	Enter an estimated velocity of 1.5 fps.
Station #10	47) P&H Next Station	2	Changes to the next station, #10, sets up the display for a 2 tenths measurement and enters distance and depth.
	48) P&H Measure	1.5, ENTER	Enter an estimated velocity of 1.5 fps.
Station #11	49) P&H Next Station	+	Advances to station #11 and sets up the display for a new vertical.
	50) Set Depth	6, ENTER	Sets depth for Station #11 at 6.0 ft.
	51) 8		Select the 8 tenths measurement location.
	52) P&H Measure	1, ENTER	Enter an estimated velocity of 1.0 fps.
Station #12	53) P&H Next Station	2	Changes to the next station, #12, sets up the display for a 2 tenths measurement and enters distance and depth.
	54) P&H Measure	1, ENTER	Enter an estimated velocity of 1.0 fps.
Station #13	55) P&H Next Station	+	Advances to station #13 and sets up the display for a new vertical at a calculated distance of 15.4 ft.
	56) Set Depth	6.5, ENTER	Sets depth for Station #13 at 6.5 ft.
	57) 8		Select the 8 tenths measurement location.
	58) P&H Measure	1, ENTER	Enter an estimated velocity of 1.0 fps.
Station #14	59) P&H Next Station	2	Changes to the next station, #14, sets up the display for a 2 tenths measurement and enters distance and depth.
	60) P&H Measure	1, ENTER	Enter an estimated velocity of 1.0 fps.
Station #15	61) P&H Next Station	+	Advances to station #15 and sets up the display for a new vertical. However the screen Manual Set Req'd appeared telling us we exceeded the 5% limitation. A check of the maximum width is

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Your calculated distances may vary.

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			.05*250/1*6.5=1.9, The width was exceeded at the first half of this vertical (15.4-11.3)/2=2.05. This leaves two choices either move to 15.9 ft and exceed the 5% rule while staying under 10% or move the previous vertical from 15.4 to 14.3 and remeasure. We will reset the distance to 15.9.
	62) Set Distance	15.9, ENTER	Sets distance for Station #15 at 15.9 ft. When entering the distance of 15.9 an error flag will be generated and this will appear in the display STsQ = 23.1 / MAXsQ = 5.04, pressing Enter again will display MAX WIDTH: X.XX / SET DIST: 14.7.
	63) ANY KEY		Press any key to clear the error message.
	64) Set Depth	6.5, ENTER	Sets depth for Station #15 at 6.5 ft.
	65) 8		Select the LOC of 8 tenths.
Station #16	66) P&H Measure	1, ENTER	Enter an estimated velocity of 1.0 fps.
	67) P&H Next Station	2	Changes to the next station, #16, sets up the display for a 2 tenths measurement and enters distance and depth.
	68) P&H Measure	1, ENTER	Enter an estimated velocity of 1.0 fps.
Station #17	69) P&H Next Station	2	Advances to station #17 and sets up the display for a 2 tenths measurement.
	70) P&H Measure	1, ENTER	Enter an estimated velocity of 1.0 fps.
Station #18	71) P&H Next Station	+	Advances to station #18 and sets up the display for a new vertical.
	72) Set Depth	4.5, ENTER	Sets depth for Station #18 at 4.5 ft.
	73) 8		Select the 8 tenths measurement location.
	74) P&H Measure	1.5, ENTER	Enter an estimated velocity of 1.5 fps.
Station #19	75) P&H Next Station	2	Changes to the next station, #19, sets up the display for a 2 tenths measurement and enters distance and depth.
	76) P&H Measure	1.25, ENTER	Enter an estimated velocity of 1.25 fps.
Station #20	77) P&H Next Station	+	Advances to station #20 and sets up the display for a new vertical at a calculated distance of 19.9 ft.
Note: Your calculated differences may vary.	78) Set Depth	4, ENTER	Sets depth for Station #20 at 4.0 ft.

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	79) 8		Select the vertical LOC.
Station #21	80) P&H Measure	1.3, <i>ENTER</i>	Enter an estimated velocity of 1.3 fps.
	81) P&H Next Station	2	Advances to station #21 and sets up the display for a 2 tenths measurement.
	82) P&H Measure	1.3, <i>ENTER</i>	Enter an estimated velocity of 1.3 fps.
Station #22	83) P&H Next Station	+	Advances to station #22 and sets up the display for a new vertical at distance 24.2 ft.
	84) Set Depth	3, <i>ENTER</i>	Sets depth for Station #22 at 3.0 ft.
Note: Note there are certain instances when making 2 and 8 discharge measurements that the velocity of the 8 tenths measurement will be greater than the velocity of the 2 tenths measurement. If this is the case an error message will be generated and a 6 tenths measurement should be taken.	85) 8		Select the 8 tenths measurement location.
	86) P&H Measure	1.2, <i>ENTER</i>	Enter an estimated velocity of 1.2 fps.
	87) P&H Next Station	2	Changes to the next station, #23, sets up the display for a 2 tenths measurement and enters distance and depth.
	88) P&H Measure	1.2, <i>ENTER</i>	Enter an estimated velocity of 1.25 fps.
Station #24	89) P&H Next Station	+	Advances to station #24 and sets up the display for a new vertical at distance 26.8 ft.
	90) Set Depth	1.8, <i>ENTER</i>	Sets depth for Station #24 at 1.8 ft.
	91) 6		Select the 6 tenths measurement location.
	92) P&H Measure	1, <i>ENTER</i>	Enter an estimated velocity of 1.0 fps.
Station #25	93) P&H Next Station	+	Advances to station #25 and sets up the display for a new vertical at distance 38.1 ft. However the EOW is 36.0 ft. In this case one can normally split the difference between the previous and EOW which would be $(36.0-26.8)/2=4.6$ therefore $26.8+4.6=31.4$.
	94) Set Distance	31.4, <i>ENTER</i>	Sets distance for Station #25 at 31.4 ft.
	95) Set Depth	1, <i>ENTER</i>	Sets depth for Station #25 at 1.0 ft.
	96) P&H Measure	0.75, <i>ENTER</i>	Enter an estimated velocity of 0.75 fps.
Station #26	97) P&H Next Station	+	Advances to station #26 and sets up the display for a new vertical at distance 60.2 ft. Again this value is wrong but all we have to do in this case is to set this station up as edge of water.
	98) Set Distance	36, <i>ENTER</i>	Sets distance for Station #26 at 36.0 ft.
	99) Set Depth	0, <i>ENTER</i>	Sets depth for Station #26 at 0.0 ft.
	100) Calculate Discharge		Calculates total discharge of the stream and

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Note:

Notice that the calculated discharge value is 44% less than the estimated value. In this particular case all of the subsections should be less than 5%, but if the calculated discharge were 44% greater than the estimated then all of the subsections would exceed the 5% rule.

101) **Any Key**

<u>Press</u>	<u>Followed</u>	<u>Comments</u>
		<u>By</u> mean velocity for the transect. The calculated discharge is 140.00 cfs, as compared to the estimate of 250.00 cfs, this calculated value will now be placed in the Adjusted Total Discharge and used for the error message calculations. This is done prior to uploading the data to a PC, the AquaCalc automatically calculates the discharge prior to sending the data out the communications port.
		Press any key to return to the main database area.
		You are now back in the main database area at the last active station.

Uploading your Data to a Personal Computer

The following is a key-by-key description of the keystrokes necessary to upload your data from the AquaCalc to your personal computer. There are a number of methods that can be used to capture the data from your AquaCalc all of which will work just fine. We will describe the process of using the upload package supplied with your AquaCalc or Hyperterminal and accessory found in the Windows packages.

<u>Press</u>	<u>Followed</u>	<u>Comments</u>
1) On		<u>By</u> The AquaCalc turns on and goes through the internal systems check. The AquaCalc wakes up to the date and time screen, the user can check the date and time and correct if necessary.
2) ENTER		The AquaCalc now returns to the last measurement screen location before it was turned off.
3) Setup		You are now in the Main Menu screen.
4) 3		You are now given two selections to output the data: a standard space separated text format or comma separated format, both formats are ASCII standard. Select the comma separated format if your are going to use a spread sheet or database to review or store your data. If you are going to use a text editor then the text selection would be preferred.

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5)	2		The selection of 2 will upload the data in a comma seperated format.
6)	+	1, ENTER	You are now given the choice of which transect you want to start with and the total number of sequential transects to be loaded.
7)	+	1	This selection uploads a total of one transect. If you put a number greater than one in this location that's how many sequential transects could be loaded at one time.
8)	ENTER		Starts the Transect Upload procedure. Your capture program will now display the data on the screen.

What the data looks like

The following shows what a print out of the Transect information for the previous sample transect as retrieved from the AquaCalc using the UPLOAD program.

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AquaCalc 5000 (tm) by JBS Instruments  
Firmware Version H5c (c) 1995 1996 1997 1998
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GAGE ID# 0  
DATE 7/01/98  
TRANSECT 04•  
USER ID# 0  
SH BEGIN 0.00  
SH END 0.00  
GH BEGIN 0.00  
GH END 0.00  
EST. DISCHARGE 250.00  
EST. Q (ADJ) 140.00  
METER ID# 000000  
AQUACALC ID# 400  
SOUNDING WT. 0  
START MEAS. AT LEW
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METER TYPE Price AA 1:1
 METER CONST. C1 2.180
 METER CONST. C2 0.020
 METER CONST. C3 2.170
 METER CONST. C4 0.030
 METER CONST. C5 2.2
 MEASUREMENT TIME 40
 MEAS. SYSTEM SAE
 PERCENT SLOPE 0.00
 TOTAL STATIONS 25
 TOTAL WIDTH 36.00
 TOTAL AREA 125.00
 TOTAL DISCHARGE 140.000
 PCT DIFFERENCE 44.0
 MEAN VELOCITY 1.12
 WETTED PERIMETER 39.29
 HYDRAULIC RADIUS 3.18
 MANNING FACTOR 0.00

OB	DIST	DEPTH	ICE	REVS	TIME	COS:VF	LOC	COEF	CLOCK	VEL	AREA	FLOW	FLAGS
1	0.00	0.00	0.00	0	0.0	1.00	6	1.00	17:21	0.000	0.000	0.000	
2	4.00	6.00	0.00	0	0.0	0.85	W	1.00	17:21	0.000	3.000	2.550	
3	5.00	6.00	0.00	0	0.0	1.00	2	1.00	17:38	1.000	12.500	12.500	1 7
4	5.00	6.00	0.00	0	0.0	1.00	8	1.00	0:00	1.000	0.000	0.000	7
5	8.16	6.10	0.00	0	0.0	1.00	8	1.00	10:24	1.200	10.900	12.540	1 7
6	8.16	6.10	0.00	0	0.0	1.00	2	1.00	0:00	1.100	0.000	0.000	7
7	8.56	6.20	0.00	0	0.0	1.00	8	1.00	11:02	1.300	9.610	12.490	1 7
8	8.56	6.20	0.00	0	0.0	1.00	2	1.00	0:00	1.300	0.000	0.000	7
9	11.26	6.00	0.00	0	0.0	1.00	8	1.00	11:09	1.500	8.310	12.470	1 7
10	11.26	6.00	0.00	0	0.0	1.00	2	1.00	0:00	1.500	0.000	0.000	7
11	11.33	6.00	0.00	0	0.0	1.00	8	1.00	11:15	1.000	12.500	12.500	1 7
12	11.33	6.00	0.00	0	0.0	1.00	2	1.00	0:00	1.000	0.000	0.000	7
13	15.42	6.50	0.00	0	0.0	1.00	8	1.00	11:25	1.000	14.900	14.900	1 7
14	15.42	6.50	0.00	0	0.0	1.00	2	1.00	0:00	1.000	0.000	0.000	7
15	15.90	6.50	0.00	0	0.0	1.00	8	1.00	15:28	1.000	12.500	12.500	1 7
16	15.90	6.50	0.00	0	0.0	1.00	2	1.00	0:00	1.000	0.000	0.000	7
17	19.26	4.50	0.00	0	0.0	1.00	8	1.00	15:32	1.500	9.090	12.500	1 7
18	19.26	4.50	0.00	0	0.0	1.00	2	1.00	0:00	1.250	0.000	0.000	7
19	19.94	4.00	0.00	0	0.0	1.00	8	1.00	15:37	1.300	10.000	12.500	1 7
20	19.94	4.00	0.00	0	0.0	1.00	2	1.00	0:00	1.200	0.000	0.000	7
21	24.26	3.00	0.00	0	0.0	1.00	8	1.00	15:47	1.200	10.400	12.480	1 7
22	24.26	3.00	0.00	0	0.0	1.00	2	1.00	0:00	1.200	0.000	0.000	7
23	26.88	1.80	0.00	0	0.0	1.00	6	1.00	15:57	1.000	6.430	6.430	7
24	31.40	1.00	0.00	0	0.0	1.00	6	1.00	16:03	0.750	4.560	3.420	7
25	36.00	0.00	0.00	0	0.0	1.00	6	1.00	16:11	0.000	0.000	0.000	

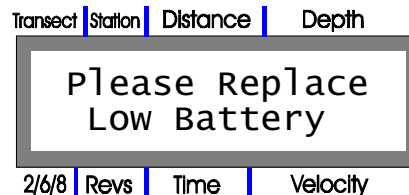
1. USER EXCEEDED SINGLE SUBSECTION 05% EST. Q.
2. THE PRODUCT OF VELOCITY AND DEPTH EXCEEDED THE SELECTED SOUNDING WEIGHT.
3. INCORRECT METER USED FOR DEPTH OF STREAM.
4. INCORRECT METER USED FOR VELOCITY OF STREAM.
5. ABNORMAL VELOCITY PROFILE CALCULATED.
6. DEPTH ESTIMATED BY USER.
7. VELOCITY ESTIMATED BY USER.
8. TURBULENT VELOCITY MEASURED

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Low Battery

An internal systems check is performed as part of the initial start up of the AquaCalc. At this point, the AquaCalc checks the battery voltage and the integrity of the memory. If the battery voltage is low the message “**PLEASE REPLACE, LOW BATTERY**” will appear in the display (and will remain displayed until a key is pressed).



Replacement of the 9 volt battery

If the voltage monitoring circuit indicates a low battery condition, turn off the AquaCalc, open up the battery compartment and remove the old battery and replace it with a fresh one. All data in memory will be maintained by the backup battery located on the PC Board. **If the Low Battery warning is ignored there is a chance that the data can be scrambled and unrecoverable.** If this happens contact JBS Instruments.

Replacement of the 3 volt Lithium backup battery

When replacing the Lithium battery turn the AquaCalc ON!

If you do not, all transect data and user preferences will be lost, and the AquaCalc settings will be returned to their defaults.

Backup battery type:

The lithium battery is a BR 2325.

This battery should last for approximately 18 months, but is good practice to change it once a year. It is important to the integrity of the stored data that this battery is changed only under the following two conditions:

- 1) the 9 volt battery condition is OK, and
- 2) the AquaCalc is turned on.

Remember that the AquaCalc has a built in automatic power down feature, so change batteries quickly. or set the power down mode to manual in the System setup area.

The lithium battery type is BR 2325.

To change this battery remove the four screws from the bottom of the case. Remove the top half of the case, being careful not to disconnect the keypad

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from the PC board. Turn the AquaCalc on. The lithium battery is about the size of a quarter and can be found just above the keypad ribbon connection. Remove the battery, noting the polarity, and replace it with a like battery in serviceable condition insuring the polarity is correct.

If the unit should get wet

The AquaCalc is not waterproof!

The case is not waterproof but will allow the user to collect data under wet weather conditions. However, if the unit should become submerged and quit working, remove the screws from the back, open the case, flush the unit with clean water and allow to air dry.

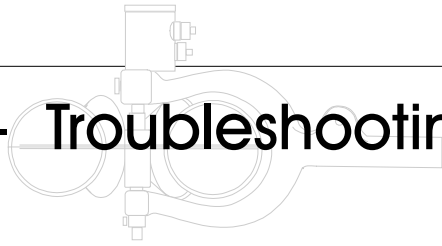
If the unit is submerged for a long enough period of time that the case entirely fills with water, it will be necessary to flush with clean water and use compressed air to blow the water out of and from under the sockets. A hair dryer, on the low setting, can be used to accelerate the drying process and inhibit the formation of corrosion.

Checking the AquaCalc's Clock Accuracy

As with all time measuring devices used in stream flow measurement, JBS Instruments recommends that at least once a year you check the accuracy of the clock in the AquaCalc.

Using a known accurate timepiece and the AquaCalc, perform a series of measurements simultaneously starting and stopping the timepiece and the AquaCalc. (Do not attach a current meter!) Stop the AquaCalc (and the timepiece) at 39 seconds by hitting the Enter key. Save the partial measurement by hitting the + / - key as requested on screen. The AquaCalc will display the time of the measurement so that it can be compared to the other timepiece. If the clock in the AquaCalc is off by a significant factor, contact JBS Instruments.

10 - Troubleshooting: Solving Problems



Occasionally you may have unusual problems with your AquaCalc. This chapter discusses common problems and offers suggestions for solving them.

Unit will not turn on.

- Replace 9 volt battery.
- Check seating and alignment of internal ribbon cable and the PC Board socket.

Unit will not turn off.

- The AquaCalc 5000 requires the user to hold down the OFF key for a period of 1 second in order to turn the instrument off.
- Press Enter, unit may be in a routine awaiting data input (for example, if Set Depth has been depressed.) Unit will display question marks in the display under the heading Depth. The question marks can be cleared by two methods: enter a depth, or depress the ENTER key.

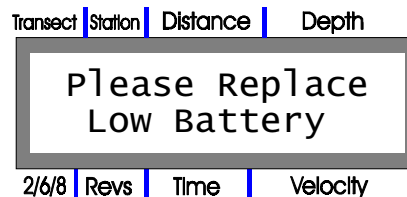
Total Discharge value appears to be in error.

- Do all stations between Left Bank and Right Bank have proper entries?
- Have Left Bank and Right Bank, Edge Of Water stations been input correctly?

Display indicates a low battery condition.

If you have questions call us!

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- Replace 9 volt battery.

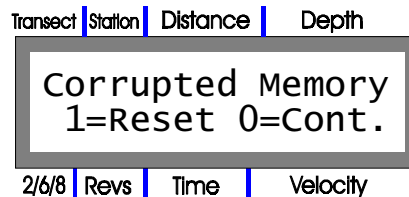
AquaCalc appears to be counting multiple clicks for a single rotation.

- Adjustment of whisker hairs, (See Whisker Hair adjustment section).
- 5:1 post is grounded out or making contact with cam lobe.
- Dirty and/or oily whisker hair contacts.

AquaCalc appears to be skipping clicks.

- ➔ Improper adjustment of whisker hairs, (see whisker hair adjustment section).
- ➔ 5:1 post is grounded out or making contact with cam lobe.
- ➔ Dirty and/or oily whisker hair contacts.
- ➔ Low nine volt battery.

AquaCalc 5000 indicates that Memory has been corrupted.



Note: This message will only be displayed if the Lithium backup battery has become disconnected or is in need of replacement. All data can be lost when this message appears.

This display will appear if the memory has been corrupted during the period that the AquaCalc was turned off or if data was entered during a low battery condition. If you select "1" the entire memory of the AquaCalc will be reset to the initial default values, **ALL DATA WILL BE ERASED**. Selecting "0" will give you a chance to review your data and possibly even transfer it to a computer before initializing the AquaCalc and losing all of your data.

- ➔ Replace the Lithium back up battery (Caution see maintenance section for battery replacement).
- ➔ Insure Lithium back up battery is seated properly in its holder.
- ➔ Call JBS Instruments technical support at (916) 372-0534.

AquaCalc is locked up, and will not respond to any keypad input.

- ➔ Verify that the unit is not waiting for an entry to be completed.
- ➔ Disconnect 9 volt battery, and reconnect.

AquaCalc continually resets the count and clock during a measurement.

Turbulent or surging flows can cause the AquaCalc to reset the counter and timer in an attempt to get a good measurement. These "resets" can occur when the meter has not yet stabilized in the flow of the stream and during surging conditions.

The AquaCalc 5000 Advanced has two modes that handle turbulent flows

differently: The **Turbulent Flow Reset** mode, and the **Allow Turbulent Flow** mode. The unit will not reset as often when in the Allow mode. The use of the Allow mode may produce measurements that do not meet USGS standards.

After resetting the measurement routine a number of times, the AquaCalc will then try to adjust for the unstable conditions. You will be able to determine when this happens by watching Rev and Time locations in the display window. The Rev and Time digits will continually reset to zero until a satisfactory condition is obtained. If the AquaCalc is taking too long to adjust, move the current meter either left or right and remeasure. *Remember, a surging flow will always yield a questionable measurement.*

If this type of reset is occurring in consistent flow conditions, the meter contacts may be oily or dirty or there may be problems somewhere else in the meter, rod, bridge crane or reel. Oil does not conduct electricity. When the whisker hair contacts are oily or dirty, counts will be skipped, causing the AquaCalc to continuously reset the counting routine. Clean the cam and whisker. Check and clean all electrical connections.

Clock counts and cups are turning, but no revolutions are being counted.

At times you will notice the clock counting and the cups turning but the revolutions (Revs) are not registering. Abort the measurement by pushing the Enter key and start the measurement again. Check all of your connections.

If you are using an optical head:

To use an optical head with older AquaCalc 5000 you must insure that the pigtail cable on your AquaCalc has seven pins and that you are using a firmware version AQCUSH8 or later. Older units had pigtails with six pins and can not handle the signal from the Optical head. Older AquaCalcs with serial numbers prior to 400 will not support the optical head at all.

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11 - Repairs, Warranties and Disclosures

AquaCalc 5000 Limited Warranty

The seller makes no warranties, agreements, or representations of any kind concerning goods sold; and the goods are sold without any warranty of fitness for any particular purpose or use. Buyer shall not be entitled to recover any incidental or consequential damage, as those terms are defined in the commercial code; and any liability JBS Instruments (JBS) may have with respect to the goods shall be limited to the repair or replacement of the goods sold.

JBS Instrument's products are thoroughly inspected and tested before shipment from the factory. JBS Instrument's products and parts are warranted to be free of defects in workmanship and materials for one full year from the date of purchase or within a maximum period of fourteen (14) months from factory shipping date. This warranty is extended to, and is solely for the benefit of the "Original Consumer Purchaser".

All defective units under warranty will be serviced and repaired without charge to the purchaser during the above mentioned period in accordance with the following terms and conditions:

Warranty Repair Terms and Conditions

1. The product is returned, freight prepaid, to JBS Instruments. For your protection, it is advisable to insure the parcel against loss or damage.
2. "Proof of Purchase" date has been established by completing and returning the Warranty Registration Card to JBS Instrument's within ten (10) days of the date of purchase.
3. Owner provides information regarding the nature of the failure in as much detail as possible.
4. This warranty does not cover defect or damages caused by unauthorized service or use; nor damage through accident, misuse or abuse.
5. The owner is responsible for the necessary maintenance and installation in accordance with instructions provided in the Operating Instructions.
6. JBS Instruments is not responsible for any costs incurred with current meters, headsets, or cabling as a direct result of the improper use of the AquaCalc 5000 or accessories.
7. JBS Instrument's shall not be liable for damages resulting from the use and operation of this product.
8. Batteries or adaptor cables are excluded from warranty.

JBS Instrument's reserves the right to make changes or improvements to this product from time to time, without incurring the obligation to install such improvements on equipment previously manufactured.

Our Address:

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Out of Warranty Repairs

JBS Instruments will repair and/or recondition the AquaCalc 5000 to its original operational standards for a flat rate when the warranty has expired. Upon completion of repair, JBS Instrument's offers its original Limited Warranty to the instrument for a period of 90 days after the date of repair.

Exceptions to the Out-of-Warranty Flat Rate Charge policy are as follows:

1. Replacement of Liquid Crystal Display (LCD).
2. Cases, cables, connectors, brackets and hardware associated with the assembly of the instrument.

This program does not cover defects or damages caused by unauthorized service, nor damages caused through accident, misuse, or abuse. The owner is responsible for undertaking reasonable and necessary maintenance in accordance with instructions provided in these Operating Instructions and to use common sense regarding long term storage in extreme weather conditions.

Repair services performed by JBS Instruments, for out of service warranty work, will be charged at a fixed rate established at the beginning of each calendar year. The 1998 labor charge for investigation and repair of AquaCalc problems is \$90.00/hour, with a one hour minimum. Any replacement parts needed for a repair is an additional cost. Rates are subject to change without notice.

Firmware updates for the AquaCalc 5000 are \$50.00 per upgrade. The instrument will be updated to the most current version of Firmware available and, if required, a new operating or supplemental manual will be provided. This software upgrade fee is subject to change.

For your protection, it is advisable to insure the parcel against loss or damage. The product is returned "Freight Prepaid" to the following address:

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12 - Discharge Algorithms

The AquaCalc's programming and algorithms are based on procedures found and defined in the United States Government Publication entitled:

Measurement and Computation of Streamflow: Volumes 1&2, Geological Survey Water Supply Paper 2175, (S.E. Rantz and others) United States Government Printing Office, Washington, DC: 1982.

1) **Area** - The midsection method is used to determine the area of a subsection or station. Other methods of area calculation can be added, for an additional fee, by JBS Instruments.

2) **Velocity Averaging** - When more than one velocity measurement is taken in a vertical subsection they are averaged together. When taking a 2 tenths and 8 tenths measurement they will be averaged together. When taking a 2 tenths, 6 tenths and 8 tenths measurement the 2 tenths and the 8 tenths are averaged together and then that average is averaged with the 6 tenths measurement. When taking 5 measurements in a vertical Bottom, 8 tenths, 6 tenths, 2 tenths, and Surface the average is weighted. When taking 5 measurements in a vertical at random depths mark each measurement with a 6 tenths LOC variable and they will be averaged together.

3) **Stop Watch** - The timer is started when the count equals zero and is stopped at the first click past 40 seconds.

4) **Current Meter Ratings** - The standard Price AA and Pygmy rating curves are built into the software. There is room for the user to enter rating curves for up to 10 nonstandard current meters by ID number.

JBS can supply customized software for the AquaCalc measurement routines for any type of current meter or any specific channel geometry on request.

Standard Rating Table No. 2 for Price Type AA Current Meter

RATING TABLE FOR TYPE AA CURRENT METER

Standard Rating No. 2

Std Rating No. 2

EQUATION: $V=2.2048R + 0.0178$ (R=revolutions per second)

Time in Seconds(S)	VELOCITY IN FEET PER SECOND Revolutions								
	3	5	7	10	15	20	25	30	40
40	0.183	0.293	0.404	0.569	0.845	1.120	1.40	1.67	2.22
41	0.179	0.287	0.394	0.556	0.824	1.093	1.36	1.63	2.17
42	0.175	0.280	0.385	0.543	0.805	1.068	1.33	1.59	2.12
43	0.172	0.274	0.377	0.531	0.787	1.043	1.30	1.56	2.07
44	0.168	0.268	0.369	0.519	0.769	1.020	1.27	1.52	2.02
45	0.165	0.263	0.361	0.508	0.753	0.998	1.24	1.49	1.98
46	0.162	0.257	0.353	0.497	0.737	0.976	1.22	1.46	1.94
47	0.159	0.252	0.346	0.487	0.721	0.956	1.19	1.43	1.89
48	0.156	0.247	0.339	0.477	0.707	0.936	1.17	1.40	1.86
49	0.153	0.243	0.333	0.468	0.693	0.918	1.14	1.37	1.82
50	0.150	0.238	0.326	0.459	0.679	0.900	1.12	1.34	1.78
51	0.147	0.234	0.320	0.450	0.666	0.882	1.10	1.31	1.75
52	0.145	0.230	0.315	0.442	0.654	0.866	1.08	1.29	1.71
53	0.143	0.226	0.309	0.434	0.642	0.850	1.06	1.27	1.68
54	0.140	0.222	0.304	0.426	0.630	0.834	1.04	1.24	1.65
55	0.138	0.218	0.298	0.419	0.619	0.820	1.02	1.22	1.62
56	0.136	0.215	0.293	0.412	0.608	0.805	1.00	1.20	1.59
57	0.134	0.211	0.289	0.405	0.598	0.791	0.985	1.18	1.57
58	0.132	0.208	0.284	0.398	0.588	0.778	0.968	1.16	1.54
59	0.130	0.205	0.279	0.391	0.578	0.765	0.952	1.14	1.51
60	0.128	0.202	0.275	0.385	0.569	0.753	0.936	1.12	1.49
61	0.126	0.199	0.271	0.379	0.560	0.741	0.921	1.10	1.46
62	0.124	0.196	0.267	0.373	0.551	0.729	0.907	1.08	1.44
63	0.123	0.193	0.263	0.368	0.543	0.718	0.893	1.07	1.42

RATING TABLE FOR TYPE AA CURRENT METER

Standard Rating No. 2

Std Rating No. 2

EQUATION: $V=2.2048R + 0.0178$ (R=revolutions per second)

Time in Seconds(S)	VELOCITY IN FEET PER SECOND								
	Revolutions								
	50	60	80	100	150	200	250	300	400
40	2.77	3.33	4.43	5.53	8.29	11.04	13.80	16.55	21.33
41	2.71	3.24	4.32	5.40	8.08	10.77	13.46	16.15	20.89
42	2.64	3.17	4.22	5.27	7.89	10.52	13.14	15.77	20.44
43	2.58	3.09	4.12	5.15	7.71	10.27	12.84	15.40	20.00
44	2.52	3.02	4.03	5.03	7.53	10.04	12.55	15.05	19.56
45	2.47	2.96	3.94	4.92	7.37	9.82	12.27	14.72	19.11
46	2.41	2.89	3.85	4.81	7.21	9.60	12.00	14.40	18.67
47	2.36	2.83	3.77	4.71	7.05	9.40	11.75	14.09	18.22
48	2.31	2.77	3.69	4.61	6.91	9.20	11.50	13.80	17.78
49	2.27	2.72	3.62	4.52	6.77	9.02	11.27	13.52	17.33
50	2.22	2.66	3.55	4.43	6.63	8.84	11.04	13.25	16.89
51	2.18	2.61	3.48	4.34	6.50	8.66	10.83	12.99	16.44
52	2.14	2.56	3.41	4.26	6.38	8.50	10.62	12.74	16.00
53	2.10	2.51	3.35	4.18	6.26	8.34	10.42	12.50	15.56
54	2.06	2.47	3.28	4.10	6.14	8.18	10.23	12.27	15.11
55	2.02	2.42	3.22	4.03	6.03	8.04	10.04	12.04	14.67
56	1.99	2.38	3.17	3.95	5.92	7.89	9.86	11.83	14.22
57	1.95	2.34	3.11	3.89	5.82	7.75	9.69	11.62	13.78
58	1.92	2.30	3.06	3.82	5.72	7.62	9.52	11.42	13.33
59	1.89	2.26	3.01	3.75	5.62	7.49	9.36	11.23	12.89
60	1.86	2.22	2.96	3.69	5.53	7.37	9.20	11.04	12.44
61	1.83	2.19	2.91	3.63	5.44	7.25	9.05	10.86	12.00
62	1.80	2.15	2.86	3.57	5.35	7.13	8.91	10.69	11.56
63	1.77	2.12	2.82	3.52	5.27	7.02	8.77	10.52	11.11
64	1.74	2.08	2.77	3.46	5.18	6.91	8.62	10.35	10.67

Standard Rating Table No. 2 for Pygmy Current Meter

RATING TABLE FOR PYGMY CURRENT METER

Standard Rating No. 2

EQUATION: $0.9604R + 0.0312$

Std Rating No. 2

Time in Seconds	VELOCITY IN FEET PER SECOND								Time in Seconds
	Revolutions								
	3	5	7	10	15	20	25	30	
40	0.103	0.151	0.199	0.271	0.391	0.511	0.631	0.752	40
41	0.101	0.148	0.195	0.265	0.383	0.500	0.617	0.734	41
42	0.100	0.146	0.191	0.260	0.374	0.489	0.603	0.717	42
43	0.098	0.143	0.188	0.255	0.366	0.478	0.590	0.701	43
44	0.097	0.140	0.184	0.249	0.359	0.468	0.577	0.686	44
45	0.095	0.138	0.181	0.245	0.351	0.458	0.565	0.671	45
46	0.094	0.136	0.177	0.240	0.344	0.449	0.553	0.658	46
47	0.093	0.133	0.174	0.236	0.338	0.440	0.542	0.644	47
48	0.091	0.131	0.171	0.231	0.331	0.431	0.531	0.631	48
49	0.090	0.129	0.168	0.227	0.325	0.423	0.521	0.619	49
50	0.089	0.127	0.166	0.223	0.319	0.415	0.511	0.607	50
51	0.088	0.125	0.163	0.220	0.314	0.408	0.502	0.596	51
52	0.087	0.124	0.160	0.216	0.308	0.401	0.493	0.585	52
53	0.086	0.122	0.158	0.212	0.303	0.394	0.484	0.575	53
54	0.085	0.120	0.156	0.209	0.298	0.387	0.476	0.565	54
55	0.084	0.119	0.153	0.206	0.293	0.380	0.468	0.555	55
56	0.083	0.117	0.151	0.203	0.288	0.374	0.460	0.546	56
57	0.082	0.115	0.149	0.200	0.284	0.368	0.452	0.537	57
58	0.081	0.114	0.147	0.197	0.280	0.362	0.445	0.528	58
59	0.080	0.113	0.145	0.194	0.275	0.357	0.438	0.520	59
60	0.079	0.111	0.143	0.191	0.271	0.351	0.431	0.511	60
61	0.078	0.110	0.141	0.189	0.267	0.346	0.425	0.504	61
62	0.078	0.109	0.140	0.186	0.264	0.341	0.418	0.496	62
63	0.077	0.107	0.138	0.184	0.260	0.336	0.412	0.489	63

RATING TABLE FOR PYGMY CURRENT METER

Standard Rating No. 2

EQUATION: $0.9604R + 0.0312$

Std Rating No. 2

Time in Seconds	VELOCITY IN FEET PER SECOND								Time in Seconds
	Revolutions								
	40	50	60	80	100	150	200	250	
40	0.992	1.232	1.472	1.952	2.432	3.633	4.833	6.034	40
41	0.968	1.202	1.437	1.905	2.374	3.545	4.716	5.887	41
42	0.946	1.175	1.403	1.861	2.318	3.461	4.605	5.748	42
43	0.925	1.148	1.371	1.818	2.265	3.381	4.498	5.615	43
44	0.904	1.123	1.341	1.777	2.214	3.305	4.397	5.488	44
45	0.885	1.098	1.312	1.739	2.165	3.233	4.300	5.367	45
46	0.866	1.075	1.284	1.701	2.119	3.163	4.207	5.251	46
47	0.849	1.053	1.257	1.666	2.075	3.096	4.118	5.140	47
48	0.832	1.032	1.232	1.632	2.032	3.032	4.033	5.033	48
49	0.815	1.011	1.207	1.599	1.991	2.971	3.951	4.931	49
50	0.800	0.992	1.184	1.568	1.952	2.912	3.873	4.833	50
51	0.784	0.973	1.161	1.538	1.914	2.856	3.797	4.739	51
52	0.770	0.955	1.139	1.509	1.878	2.802	3.725	4.649	52
53	0.756	0.937	1.118	1.481	1.843	2.749	3.655	4.561	53
54	0.743	0.920	1.098	1.454	1.810	2.699	3.588	4.477	54
55	0.730	0.904	1.079	1.428	1.777	2.650	3.524	4.397	55
56	0.717	0.889	1.060	1.403	1.746	2.604	3.461	4.319	56
57	0.705	0.874	1.042	1.379	1.716	2.559	3.401	4.243	57
58	0.694	0.859	1.025	1.356	1.687	2.515	3.343	4.171	58
59	0.682	0.845	1.008	1.333	1.659	2.473	3.287	4.101	59
60	0.671	0.832	0.992	1.312	1.632	2.432	3.233	4.033	60
61	0.661	0.818	0.976	1.291	1.606	2.393	3.180	3.967	61
62	0.651	0.806	0.961	1.270	1.580	2.355	3.129	3.904	62
63	0.641	0.793	0.946	1.251	1.556	2.318	3.080	3.842	63

Standard Rating Table No. 1 for Price Type AA Current Meter

RATING TABLE FOR TYPE AA CURRENT METER

Standard Rating No. 1

EQUATIONS: $V=2.180R + 0.20(2.200) 2.170R+0.030$ Std Rating No

Time in Seconds(S)	VELOCITY IN FEET PER SECOND Revolutions(R)								
	3	5	7	10	15	20	25	30	40
	40	0.184	0.301	0.410	0.573	0.844	1.115	1.386	1.658
41	0.180	0.295	0.400	0.559	0.824	1.089	1.353	1.618	2.147
42	0.176	0.288	0.392	0.547	0.805	1.063	1.322	1.580	2.097
43	0.172	0.282	0.383	0.535	0.787	1.039	1.292	1.544	2.049
44	0.169	0.277	0.375	0.523	0.770	1.016	1.263	1.510	2.003
45	0.165	0.271	0.368	0.512	0.753	0.994	1.236	1.477	1.959
46	0.162	0.266	0.360	0.502	0.738	0.973	1.209	1.445	1.917
47	0.159	0.261	0.353	0.492	0.723	0.953	1.184	1.415	1.877
48	0.156	0.256	0.346	0.482	0.708	0.934	1.160	1.386	1.838
49	0.153	0.251	0.340	0.473	0.694	0.916	1.137	1.359	1.801
50	0.151	0.247	0.334	0.464	0.681	0.898	1.115	1.332	1.766
51	0.148	0.243	0.328	0.455	0.668	0.881	1.094	1.306	1.732
52	0.146	0.239	0.322	0.447	0.656	0.865	1.073	1.282	1.699
53	0.143	0.235	0.317	0.439	0.644	0.849	1.054	1.258	1.668
54	0.141	0.231	0.311	0.432	0.633	0.834	1.035	1.236	1.637
55	0.139	0.227	0.306	0.425	0.622	0.819	1.016	1.214	1.608
56	0.137	0.224	0.301	0.418	0.611	0.805	0.999	1.193	1.580
57	0.135	0.220	0.296	0.411	0.601	0.791	0.982	1.172	1.553
58	0.133	0.217	0.292	0.404	0.591	0.778	0.965	1.152	1.527
59	0.131	0.214	0.287	0.398	0.582	0.766	0.949	1.133	1.501
60	0.129	0.211	0.283	0.392	0.573	0.753	0.934	1.115	1.477
61	0.127	0.208	0.279	0.386	0.564	0.741	0.919	1.097	1.453
62	0.125	0.205	0.275	0.380	0.555	0.730	0.905	1.080	1.430

RATING TABLE FOR TYPE AA CURRENT METER

Standard Rating No. 1

EQUATIONS: $V=2.180R + 0.20(2.200) 2.170R+0.030$ Std Rating

Time in Seconds(S)	VELOCITY IN FEET PER SECOND							
	Revolutions(R)							
	50	60	80	100	150	200	250	300
40	2.743	3.285	4.370	5.455	8.168	10.880	13.593	16.305
41	2.676	3.206	4.264	5.323	7.969	10.615	13.262	15.908
42	2.613	3.130	4.163	5.197	7.780	10.363	12.947	15.530
43	2.553	3.058	4.067	5.077	7.600	10.123	12.646	15.170
44	2.496	2.989	3.975	4.962	7.428	9.894	12.360	14.825
45	2.441	2.923	3.888	4.852	7.263	9.674	12.086	14.497
46	2.389	2.860	3.804	4.747	7.106	9.465	11.823	14.182
47	2.339	2.800	3.724	4.647	6.956	9.264	11.573	13.881
48	2.290	2.743	3.647	4.551	6.811	9.072	11.332	13.593
49	2.244	2.687	3.573	4.459	6.673	8.887	11.101	13.316
50	2.200	2.634	3.502	4.370	6.540	8.710	10.880	13.050
51	2.157	2.583	3.434	4.285	6.412	8.540	10.667	12.795
52	2.117	2.534	3.368	4.203	6.290	8.376	10.463	12.549
53	2.077	2.487	3.305	4.124	6.172	8.219	10.266	12.313
54	2.039	2.441	3.245	4.049	6.058	8.067	10.076	12.086
55	2.003	2.397	3.186	3.975	5.948	7.921	9.894	11.866
56	1.968	2.355	3.130	3.905	5.843	7.780	9.718	11.655
57	1.934	2.314	3.076	3.837	5.741	7.644	9.548	11.451
58	1.901	2.275	3.023	3.771	5.642	7.513	9.383	11.254
59	1.869	2.237	2.972	3.708	5.547	7.386	9.225	11.064
60	1.838	2.200	2.923	3.647	5.455	7.263	9.072	10.880
61	1.809	2.164	2.876	3.587	5.366	7.145	8.923	10.702
62	1.780	2.130	2.830	3.530	5.280	7.030	8.780	10.530

12 - Algorithms

RATING TABLE FOR PYGMY CURRENT METER

Standard Rating No. 1

EQUATIONS: $0.977R + 0.028$

Std Rating No. 1

Time in Seconds	VELOCITY IN FEET PER SECOND								Time in Seconds
	Revolutions								
	3	5	7	10	15	20	25	30	
40	0.101	0.150	0.199	0.272	0.394	0.517	0.639	0.761	40
41	0.099	0.147	0.195	0.266	0.385	0.505	0.624	0.743	41
42	0.098	0.144	0.191	0.261	0.377	0.493	0.610	0.726	42
43	0.096	0.142	0.187	0.255	0.369	0.482	0.596	0.710	43
44	0.095	0.139	0.183	0.250	0.361	0.472	0.583	0.694	44
45	0.093	0.137	0.180	0.245	0.354	0.462	0.571	0.679	45
46	0.092	0.134	0.177	0.240	0.347	0.453	0.559	0.665	46
47	0.090	0.132	0.174	0.236	0.340	0.444	0.548	0.652	47
48	0.089	0.130	0.170	0.232	0.333	0.435	0.537	0.639	48
49	0.088	0.128	0.168	0.227	0.327	0.427	0.526	0.626	49
50	0.087	0.126	0.165	0.223	0.321	0.419	0.517	0.614	50
51	0.085	0.124	0.162	0.220	0.315	0.411	0.507	0.603	51
52	0.084	0.122	0.160	0.216	0.310	0.404	0.498	0.592	52
53	0.083	0.120	0.157	0.212	0.305	0.397	0.489	0.581	53
54	0.082	0.118	0.155	0.209	0.299	0.390	0.480	0.571	54
55	0.081	0.117	0.152	0.206	0.294	0.383	0.472	0.561	55
56	0.080	0.115	0.150	0.202	0.290	0.377	0.464	0.551	56
57	0.079	0.114	0.148	0.199	0.285	0.371	0.457	0.542	57
58	0.079	0.112	0.146	0.196	0.281	0.365	0.449	0.533	58
59	0.078	0.111	0.144	0.194	0.276	0.359	0.442	0.525	59
60	0.077	0.109	0.142	0.191	0.272	0.354	0.435	0.517	60
61	0.076	0.108	0.140	0.188	0.268	0.348	0.428	0.508	61
62	0.075	0.107	0.138	0.186	0.264	0.343	0.422	0.501	62
63	0.075	0.106	0.137	0.183	0.261	0.338	0.416	0.493	63

RATING TABLE FOR PYGMY CURRENT METER

Standard Rating No. 1

EQUATIONS: $0.977R + 0.028$

Std Rating No. 1

Time in Seconds	VELOCITY IN FEET PER SECOND								Time in Seconds
	Revolutions								
	40	50	60	80	100	150	200	250	
40	1.005	1.249	1.494	1.982	2.471	3.692	4.913	6.134	40
41	0.981	1.219	1.458	1.934	2.411	3.602	4.794	5.985	41
42	0.958	1.191	1.424	1.889	2.354	3.517	4.680	5.843	42
43	0.937	1.164	1.391	1.846	2.300	3.436	4.572	5.708	43
44	0.916	1.138	1.360	1.804	2.248	3.359	4.469	5.579	44
45	0.896	1.114	1.331	1.765	2.199	3.285	4.370	5.456	45
46	0.878	1.090	1.302	1.727	2.152	3.214	4.276	5.338	46
47	0.859	1.067	1.275	1.691	2.107	3.146	4.185	5.225	47
48	0.842	1.046	1.249	1.656	2.063	3.081	4.099	5.117	48
49	0.826	1.025	1.224	1.623	2.022	3.019	4.016	5.013	49
50	0.810	1.005	1.200	1.591	1.982	2.959	3.936	4.913	50
51	0.794	0.986	1.177	1.561	1.944	2.902	3.859	4.817	51
52	0.780	0.967	1.155	1.531	1.907	2.846	3.786	4.725	52
53	0.765	0.950	1.134	1.503	1.871	2.793	3.715	4.636	53
54	0.752	0.933	1.114	1.475	1.837	2.742	3.647	4.551	54
55	0.739	0.916	1.094	1.449	1.804	2.693	3.581	4.469	55
56	0.726	0.900	1.075	1.424	1.773	2.645	3.517	4.390	56
57	0.714	0.885	1.056	1.399	1.742	2.599	3.456	4.313	57
58	0.702	0.870	1.039	1.376	1.712	2.555	3.397	4.239	58
59	0.690	0.856	1.022	1.353	1.684	2.512	3.340	4.168	59
60	0.679	0.842	1.005	1.331	1.656	2.471	3.285	4.099	60
61	0.669	0.829	0.989	1.309	1.630	2.430	3.231	4.032	61
62	0.658	0.816	0.973	1.289	1.604	2.392	3.180	3.968	62
63	0.648	0.803	0.958	1.269	1.579	2.354	3.130	3.905	63

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13 - AquaCalc Accessories

The AquaCalc has several optional accessories available from JBS Instruments that make stream measurements easier. These



Rod Mount

The Rod Mount allows your AquaCalc to be mounted to the Top-Set wading rod, leaving one hand free. With a Rod Mount, your AquaCalc can pivot up and down for optimum viewing angle.

Rod Adaptor

This aluminum bracket, used with a Rod Mount, allows your AquaCalc to be mounted on the Top-Set wading rod just above the handle. This places the AquaCalc in the optimum viewing position.



Magnetic Head

The magnetic head is a direct replacement for the contact chamber. The magnetic head switch provides a clean precise signal for the AquaCalc. Eliminates the constant adjustment of the cat whisker.

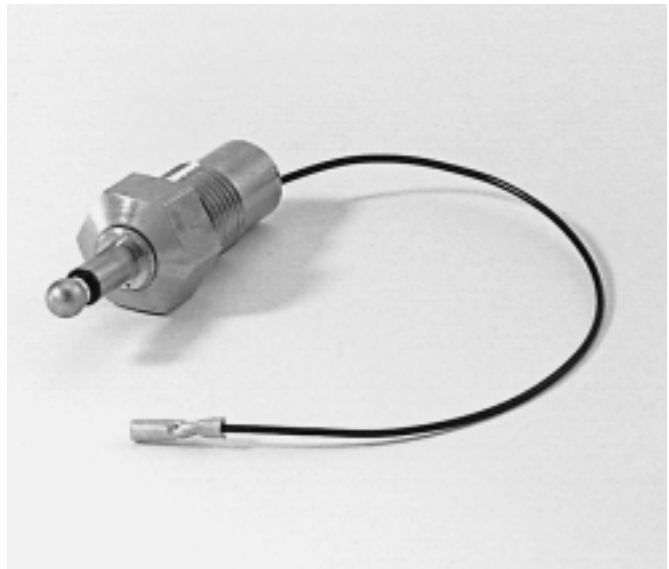


Meter/Audio Cable

This combination meter and headset cable can be used to monitor the meter signal when using your AquaCalc. This convenient cable connects your headset to the meter when connected to the AquaCalc.

Phone Jack Conversion for Wading Rods

This machined brass phone jack connector replaces the two-prong automotive type pigtail connector often found on some wading rods.





14 - New Features

This manual is intended for your use in understanding and implementing the version H series of software. This version mimics the policies and procedures of the United States Geological Survey (USGS). This Version of the AquaCalc's operating system firmware is based on the guidelines developed by the Electronic Processing of Discharge Measurements Committee (EPDM) of the USGS along with field testing and user input. Some of the new features of the software are:

When entering information into the AquaCalc, one of two methods will store the information to memory, 1) Enter the maximum number of characters permitted, or 2) Enter less than the maximum number of characters then press Enter to complete the entry. When entering the Depth and Distance, the Depth, Distance, or Measure keys may be used instead of the Enter key to finish entry of a number.

- The Allow Turbulent Flows, decreases the chance that the AquaCalc will reset the meter during a surging or turbulent flow situation. While allowing you to measure in more difficult circumstances, this mode can potentially decrease the quality and accuracy of measurements.
- The Setup key is used to gain access to the Main Menu. Setup is also used to return from submenus to the Main Menu at any point in a submenu.
- The Enter key is used to step through the various menus available. When in a vertical measurement section the Enter key can be pressed and held to review the subsection information.
- When a menu screen has a + sign in front of the text in the first line, the +/- key is used to start the selection or entry of data and Enter is used to complete the process and go on to the next menu item.
- LOC(ation) variable is the variable used to determine the location of the meter in the vertical, 1=S (surface), .2, .6, .8, 9=B (bottom) or +=W (Wall).
- A minus velocity is assigned by entering a -1 or a minus value in the Cosine Correction:Vertical Factor (COS:VF) variable area.
- The AquaCalc will now allow the input of 5 measurements, Surface, 2, 6, 8, and Bottom in one vertical and calculate a weighted average velocity for the vertical.
- The AquaCalc will now allow velocity profiling, up to 5 measurements may be taken in the vertical and have them averaged when the measurements are all assigned a .6 LOC value. When the AquaCalc detects a .6 in the LOC variable and the distance and depth remain constant from station to station it averages the velocity values for the vertical.

14 - New Features

- The AquaCalc will now calculate the next vertical based on the estimated discharge and the not to exceed percent of total discharge, usually 5%, both being entered by the user when using the **Calc % Flow Mode**. If an estimated discharge is entered the AquaCalc will warn the user when the predetermined percent of total flow will be exceeded. The percentage can be set from 0 to 99% but defaults to 5%.

Glossary

COS:VF - The field in the data base that stores the Cosine Vertical Factor data.

Cosine Correction - The correction applied to the velocity vector, when the current meter is not perpendicular to the cross-section. This correction is applied to the measured velocity or distance to “normalize” the component.

“Click” - Traditional hydrologist terminology used to refer to the sound made by each revolution of the bucket wheel of the current meter that was heard and counted via the headset

Clock - The field in the data base that stores the Time stamp that is associated with a velocity measurement.

Current Meter- Any Price AA or Pygmy type current meter.

Discharge - The volumetric amount of water passing a point at a given time.

EOW - Edge of Water

Empty Station - Any Station without a distance and a depth. “0” must be entered when a station has a zero depth to finish an entry for that Station.

Head stake - A permanent reference point normally set at the high water mark of a stream. This convention is normally used by fisheries and wildlife researchers.

LEW - Left Edge of Water

LOC (Meter Position) - Marks and identifies the vertical position (S, 2, 6, 8, B and W) of the meter when measuring. The 2/6/8 area on the display identifies the position in the vertical a measurement was taken.

REW - Right Edge of Water

Station - The AquaCalc definition (which differs from USGS practice) is the assignment of a numbered memory location for the storage of information associated with a single velocity measurement. For AquaCalc Two-Point (or more) measurements, where the distance and depth stay the same but multiple velocity measurements are made, requires the use of two or more stations depending upon the number of velocity measurements taken.

Tag line - A measuring tape or beaded line marked in tenths of feet or meters stretched across a stream perpendicular to the flow.

Time - The area found on the display that registers the stopwatch feature when the measure key is pressed.

Transect - A cross-section of the stream, perpendicular to flow, selected for the measurement of discharge.

Vertical Factor - To obtain the mean vertical velocity at a vertical wall, such as a bridge, pier or vertical canal wall, Press the Cosine Correction key and enter a VF (Vertical Factor). This Vertical Factor is equal to a percentage of the mean velocity in the adjacent measured section.

Glossary

Vertical Measurement Station - A location in the transect defined by the distance from the head stake where a single or multiple velocity measurements can be made.

“Whisker Hair” - The electrical wiper used within many contact chambers located on the top of the current meter. The contact material may actually be either a fine platinum wire (which is where the term comes from) or a slightly heavier system using a cable and ball.

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