



INSTRUCTION MANUAL
MT980
REFRIGERANT LEAK DETECTOR



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1. INTRODUCTION

The Refrigerant Leak Detector detects all CFC refrigerants such as R-22, R-124, R-11 and R-12. The ultra-sensitive long life sensor detects the more current, difficult-to-detect HFC refrigerants such as R-134a, R-404A, and new R-22 replacements, R-410A and R-407C. The Refrigerant Leak Detector's long, slim gooseneck probe design is easy to use in close areas and for extending into hard-to-reach areas. It's adjustable alarm, easy one-hand operation and impact resistance storage case add up to value and convenience.

2. APPLICATION

User can easily operate the Refrigerant Leak Detector with one hand to detect presence of Refrigerants. Audible and visual indicators help pinpoint leak source. Adjustable "tic" rate helps eliminate background gas concentration in contaminated environments.

3. FEATURES

- High sensitivity to detect 100ppm of R-134a / R-22
- Adjustable tick rate to locate leaks quickly and easily
- Visual leak detection by LED indicators
- Precision sensor detects even the smallest leaks
- Includes earphone Jack
- 40cm gooseneck

4. INTERNATIONAL SYMBOLS



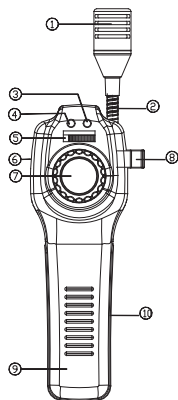
Important Information; see manual



Conforms to European Union directives

5. CONTROLS AND INDICATORS

1. Sensor Tip Guard & Sensor (internal)
2. Gooseneck Probe
3. Alarm Light
4. Ready Light (Power-On)
5. Power ON/OFF Slide Switch
6. Earphone Jack
7. Tic Rate (Sensitivity) Adjustment
8. Probe Clip
9. Hand handle
10. Batteries cover



6. INSTRUCTIONS

Switch on the Refrigerant Leak detector by sliding the ON/OFF button and the READY light will be glowing. The Refrigerant Leak Detector runs through a one-minute warm-up and self-zeroing sequence when it is first turned on in fresh air. The alarm of the instrument may be very loud without contact of any gas. That is caused by the high Tic Rate present by the rotary wheel.

7. RATE (SENSITIVITY) ADJUSTMENT

Each time the instrument is put into service, you should conduct a quick functional test. Adjust the Tic Rate to no-alarm level. Then, simply expose the sensor to a known leak, like a cigarette lighter, or pass the probe over a drop of combustible fluid. After the initial warm-up, the instrument can be used to detect Refrigerant. When the sensor in the probe tip detects Refrigerant, the tic rate will increase and the instrument sounds a warbling tone with an ALARM light. As the concentration of gas increases so does the tic rate.

If the situation calls for quiet operation, or if background noise makes it difficult to hear the built-in speaker, you can use an earphone. The jack is at the top of the instrument. Note that listening to the alarm or tic through the earphone is very loud.

If the READY light is off, the batteries are low. They should be replaced immediately. Low batteries will adversely affect the instrument's reliability. See the replacement procedures.

8. ADJUSTING THE TIC RATE (SENSITIVITY)

The tic rate tells you when the sensor (in the tip of the instrument) is getting close to a Leak Refrigerant. You can control the tic rate using the rotary wheel in the center of the instrument.

- Move the wheel clockwise to increase the frequency
 - Move the wheel counter-clockwise to decrease the frequency
- When the sensor comes near a Refrigerant source, the tic rate will increase. In order to isolate the source of a leak, you may need to move the wheel counter clockwise, decreasing the sensitivity, as the sensor moves closer.

9. REPLACING THE BATTERIES

Replace your 3x C alkaline batteries when:

- The green READY light is off
- No light or other activity occurs upon switching the instrument on

9.1. To replace the batteries:

- Lay the instrument face-down on the back face.
- Remove the battery cover. Apply upward pressure to the tab at the bottom of the battery cover while lifting it out.
- Remove the batteries using a coin or screwdriver, if necessary, to get them out.
- Replace all three batteries with new ones.

9.2. Replacing the Sensor

Although the sensor is designed to offer many years of reliable service, it may become inoperable if it is submerged in liquid or otherwise physically damaged.

9.3. To replace sensor:

- Turn the instrument off
- Remove the upper tip guard by pressing straight up from the alignment notch that separates the two halves of the tip guard.
- This is a sturdy component, but use caution when bending its leads.
- Pull the sensor straight up from its tip housing.
- Replace the sensor, pressing it straight in.
- Reassemble in reverse order.

10. SPECIFICATIONS

Function	Range
Sensitivity to detect	100ppm of R- 134a/ R- 22
Sensor Type	Low power semiconductor
Warm Up Time	Approx. 1 minute
Response Time	Less than 2 seconds (up to 40% LEL)
Alarm	Visible & Audible at 10% LEL for all chlorofluocarbons (CFC).
Power Supply	3 C cell batteries
Battery Life	8 hours continuous use, typical
Duty Cycle	Continuous
Probe Length	40cm (16")
Dimensions	221 x 72 x 46mm
Weight	498g

Operating Conditions

To ensure accurate readings use it only when ambient air is within this range:

- Temperature: 0°C to 50°C (32°F to 120°F)
- Humidity: 10 to 90% RH (non condensing)

11. PARTIAL LIST OF REFRIGERANTS

R-12 ALTERNATIVES	R-22 ALTERNATIVES
R-134a, R-401a (MP-39), R-401B (MP-66), R-401C (MP-52), R-406A (GHG)	R-407C, R-401A, R-410B, R-507
R-414A (GHG-X4), R-414B (hot Shot). R-416A (Frig C, FR-12)	R-113, R-13B & R-503 ALTERNATIVES
R-409A (FX-56), Freeze 12, Free Zone, GHG-X5, GHG-HP, IKON 12	R-403B, R-508A, R-508B
R-502, R-500 ALTERNATIVES	HC REFRIGERANTS (not SNAP approved)
R-402A, R-402B, R-404A, R-407A, R-408A, R-411A, R-411B, R-507	R-290, R-600A, R-170/R-290, R-600A/R-290

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