



testo 830-T1, -T2  
Infrared thermometer

Instruction Manual en

## 1. General Information

Please read this document through carefully and familiarise yourself with the operation of the product before putting it to use. Keep this documentation to hand so that you can refer to it when necessary.



## 2. Product Description



Accessories	
Name	Item no.
Water-tight immersion/penetration probe, -60 to +400°C/-76 to +752°F	0602 1293
Quick-reaction surface probe, -60 to +300°C/-76 to +572°F	0602 0393
Robust air probe, -60 to +400°C/-76 to +752°F	0602 1793
Leather protection sleeve	0516 8302
Emissivity adhesive tape $\epsilon=0.93$	0554 0051

## 5. Technical Data

Feature	testo 830-T1	testo 830-T2
Parameter	°C/°F	
Infrared measurement range	-30 to +400°C/-22 to +752°F	
Infrared resolution	0.5°C/0.5°F	
Infrared accuracy	$\pm 1.5^\circ\text{C}/2.7^\circ\text{F}$ or 1.5% of reading (+0.1 to +400°C/+32 to +752°F) <sup>1</sup> ; $\pm 2^\circ\text{C}/3.6^\circ\text{F}$ or 2% of reading (-30 to 0°C/-22 to +31.9°F) <sup>1</sup>	
Emissivity	0.2 to 1.0 adjustable	
Infrared measurement rate	0.5s	
Temp. sensor	Thermocouple Type K (attachable)	
Measurement range of temp sensor	-50 to +500°C/-58 to +932°F	
Resolution of temp. sensor	0.1°C/0.1°F	
Accuracy of temp. sensor ( $\pm 1$ digit)	$\pm 0.5^\circ\text{C}/0.9^\circ\text{F} + 0.5\%$ of reading at rated temperature 22°C/72°F	
Measuring rate of temp. sensor	1.75s	
Optics	10:1 <sup>2</sup>	12:1 <sup>2</sup>
Laser type	1 x laser	2 x laser
Operating temperature	-20 to +50°C/-4 to +122°F	
Transport/Storage temperature	-40 to +70°C/-40 to +158°F	
Power supply	9V block battery	
Battery life	20 h	15 h
Housing	ABS	
Dimensions (LxHxB)	190 x 75 x 38 mm/7.5 x 3.0 x 1.5 in	
CE guideline	89/336/EEC	
Warranty	2 years	

<sup>1</sup> the larger value applies

<sup>2</sup> + Opening diameter of the sensor (16mm/0.6 in)

## 6. Initial Operation

- ▶ Insert battery: See 9.1 Changing the battery.

## 7. Operation

### 7.1 Connecting probe (testo 830-T2 only)

- ▶ Connect temperature probe to probe socket. Observe +/-!

### 7.2 Switching on/off

- ▶ Switch on instrument: or measurement button.
- All display segments light up briefly. The instrument changes to the infrared mode ( lights up).

## 3. Safety Information

### Avoid electrical hazards:

- ▶ Contact measurement: Do not measure on or near live parts.
- Infrared measurement: Please adhere to the required safe distance when measuring on live parts.

### Preserving product safety/warranty claims:

- ▶ Operate the instrument properly and according to its intended purpose and within the parameters specified. Do not use force.
- ▶ Do not expose to electromagnetic radiation (e.g. microwaves, induction heating systems), static charge, heat or extreme fluctuations in temperature.
- ▶ Do not store together with solvents (e.g. acetone).
- ▶ Open the instrument only when this is expressly described in the documentation for maintenance purposes.

### Laser radiation!

- ▶ Do not look into laser beam. Laser class 2.

### Ensure correct disposal:

- ▶ Dispose of defective rechargeable batteries and spent batteries at the collection points provided.
- ▶ Send the instrument directly to us at the end of its life cycle. We will ensure that it is disposed of in an environmentally friendly manner.

## 4. Intended Use

testo 830 is a compact infrared thermometer for the non-contact measurement of surface temperatures. Using testo 830-T2, it is possible to carry out additional contact measurements by attaching probes.

### Not suitable for diagnostic measurements in the medical sector!

The display light remains for 15 seconds every time a button is activated.

- ▶ Switch off instrument: Keep pressed until display darkens.

The instrument switches off after 1min (testo 830-T1) or 10min (testo 830-T2) if no buttons are activated.

### 7.3 Measuring

! Please heed information on infrared measurement/contact measurement.

The instrument is switched on.

#### Infrared measurement

- 1 Start measurement: Keep or measurement button pressed.
- 2 Locate object to be measured using laser point.  
testo 830-T1: laser marks the centre point of the measurement spot.  
testo 830-T2: Laser marks the upper and lower end of the measurement spot.
- The current reading is shown (2 measurements per second)
- 3 End measurement: Release button.
- **HOLD** lights up. The last reading is retained until the next measurement.

#### Contact measurement (testo 830-T2 only)

Temperature probe is connected.

- ▶ Position contact thermometer in/on the measurement object and activate the measurement: .
- The instrument changes to the contact measurement mode ( lights up). The current reading is shown.
- ▶ Return to infrared meas. mode: or measurement button.

#### Setting the emissivity

Instrument is in the infrared measurement mode.

! If no button is pressed for 3 s in the emissivity mode, the instrument switches to the infrared measurement mode.

- 1 and simultaneously.
- 2 Set emissivity: or .
- The instrument switches to the infrared measurement mode.

## 8. Settings

Instrument is switched off

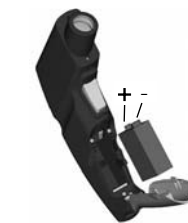
! If no button is activated in the setting mode for 3 s, the instrument changes to the next mode.

- 1 Keep and pressed.
- All display segments light up briefly. The instrument changes to the setting mode.
- 2 Select parameter (°C or °F): .
- 3 Set alarm (ALARM): or . Keep button pressed in order to advance more quickly.
- 4 Set alarm criterion (alarm overshoot: , alarm undershoot: ): .
- All segments light up briefly. The instrument changes to the infrared measurement mode.

There is a visible and audible alarm if the set alarm values are exceeded.

## 9. Service and Maintenance

### 9.1 Changing the battery



Instrument must be switched off!

- 1 Open battery compartment: Open up cover.
- 2 Remove used battery and insert new one. Observe +/- . The minus should be visible once the battery is inserted.
- 3 Close battery compartment: Close cover.

### 9.2 Clean instrument

Do not use abrasive cleaning agents or solutions.

- ▶ Clean the housing with a damp cloth (soap water).
- ▶ Carefully clean the lens with water or cotton buds dipped in water or medical alcohol.

### 11.2 Emissivity

Materials have different emissivities, i.e. they emit different levels of electromagnetic radiation. The emissivity of testo 830 is set in the factory to 0.95. This is the ideal value for measuring non-metals, plastics and food (paper, ceramics, plaster, wood, paints and varnishes).

Bright metals and metal oxides are only suited to a limited extent to infrared measurement on account of their low or nonuniform emissivity.

- ▶ Apply emissivity enhancing layers such as varnish or emission adhesive tape (Item no. 0554 0051) to the object being measured. If this is not possible, measure with the contact thermometer.

#### Emissivity table of the most important materials (typical values)

Material (Temperature)	$\epsilon$	Material (Temperature)	$\epsilon$
Aluminium, bright-rolled (170°C/338°F)	0.04	Heat sink, black anodised (50°C/122°F)	0.98
Cotton (20°C/68°F)	0.77	Copper, lightly tarnished (20°C/68°F)	0.04
Concrete (25°C/77°F)	0.93	Copper, oxidised (130°C/266°F)	0.76
Ice, smooth (0°C/32°F)	0.97	Plastics: PE, PP, PVC (20°C/68°F)	0.94
Iron, polished (20°C/68°F)	0.24	Brass, oxidised (200°C/392°F)	0.61
Iron with cast skin (100°C/212°F)	0.80	Paper (20°C/68°F)	0.97
Iron with rolled skin (20°C/68°F)	0.77	Porcelain (20°C/68°F)	0.92
Plaster (20°C/68°F)	0.90	Black paint, matt (80°C/176°F)	0.97
Glass (90°C/194°F)	0.94	Steel, heat-treated surface (200°C/392°F)	0.52
Rubber, hard (23°C/73°F)	0.94	Steel, oxidised (200°C/392°F)	0.79
Rubber, soft grey (23°C/73°F)	0.89	Clay, fired (70°C/158°F)	0.91
Wood (70°C/158°F)	0.94	Transformer paint (70°C/158°F)	0.94
Cork (20°C/68°F)	0.70	Brick, mortar, plaster (20°C/68°F)	0.93

## 10. Questions and Answers

Query	Possible causes	Possible solution
lights up.	- Battery empty.	▶ Change battery.
Instrument cannot be switched on	- Battery empty.	▶ Change battery.
Infrared measurement mode:  lights up.	- Readings outside measurement range.	-
Contact measurement mode: (testo 830-T2 only)  lights up.	- Readings outside measurement range. - No probe connected. - Probe damaged.	- ▶ Connect probe. ▶ Change probe.

If we have not answered your question, please contact your local distributor or Testo's Customer Service.

## 11. Information on infrared measurement

### 11.1 Measurement method

Infrared measurement is an optical measurement

- ▶ Keep lens clean.
- ▶ Do not measure with clouded lens.
- ▶ Keep measurement field (area between instrument and object being measured) free of interferences: no dust and dirt particles, no moisture (rain, steam) or gases.

Infrared measurement is a surface measurement

If there is dirt, dust, frost etc. on the surface, only the top layer will be measured, i.e. the dirt.

- ▶ In the case of shrinkwrapped foodstuffs, do not measure in air pockets.
- ▶ If values are critical, always subsequently measure using a contact thermometer. Particularly in the food sector, the core temperature should be measured with a penetration/immersion thermometer.

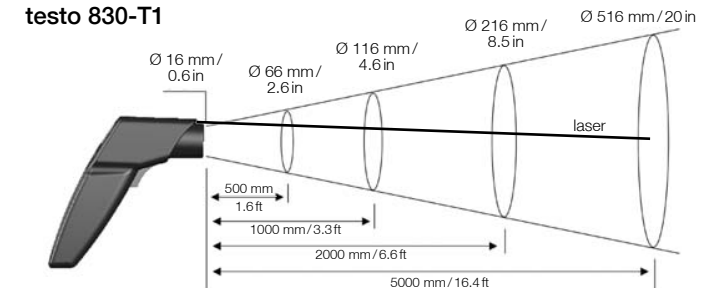
#### Adaptation time

- ▶ If the ambient temperature changes (change of location, e.g. inside/outside measurement) the instrument needs an adaptation time of 15 minutes for infrared measurement.

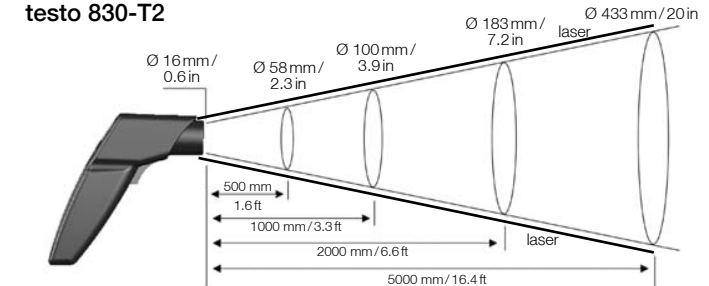
### 11.3 Measurement spot, Distance

A specific spot is determined depending on the distance from the measuring instrument to the object being measured.

#### Measurement optics (Ratio Distance : Measurement spot) testo 830-T1



#### testo 830-T2



## 12. Information on contact measurement

- ▶ Observe minimum penetration depth in immersion/penetration probes: 10 x probe diameter
- ▶ Avoid applications in corrosive acids or bases.
- ▶ Do not use spring-loaded surface probes on sharp edges.



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