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# **GX-3R** Operator's Manual

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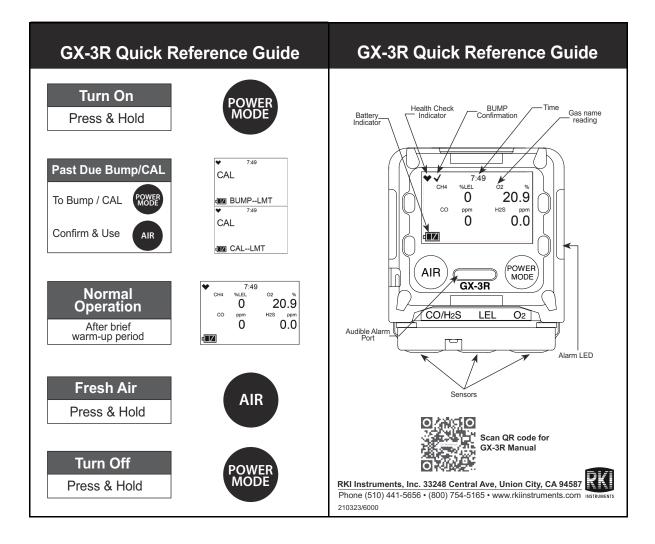
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# WARNING

Read and understand this instruction manual before operating instrument. Improper use of the gas monitor could result in bodily harm or death.

Maintenance of the gas monitor is essential for proper operation and correct readings.

Bump test the instrument before each day's use with a known concentration of each target gas. A bump test can be done in User Mode's BUMP item or by applying gas in Measuring Mode. The instrument does not need to be calibrated unless it does not pass the User Mode bump test or does not respond appropriately, as defined by the user, in Measuring Mode. For more information about bump test and calibration requirements, see IEC 60079-29-2.





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WARNING: Understand manual before operating. Substitution of components may impair intrinsic safety. To prevent ignition of a hazardous atmosphere, batteries must only be changed or charged in an area known to be nonhazardous.

### **Chapter 1: Introduction**

#### **Overview**

This chapter briefly describes the GX-3R gas monitor. This chapter also describes the *GX-3R Operator's Manual* (this document). Table 1 at the end of this chapter lists the specifications for the GX-3R.

#### About the GX-3R

Using an advanced detection system consisting of up to three gas sensors, the GX-3R personal four-gas monitor detects the presence of combustible gas, oxygen (O2), carbon monoxide (CO), and hydrogen sulfide (H2S) simultaneously. This model displays measurement results on an LCD and issue gas alarms (via LED and buzzer) as needed. The GX-3R's compact size and easy-to-use design make it ideally suited for a wide range of applications, including sewage treatment plants, utility manholes, tunnels, hazardous waste sites, power stations, petrochemical refineries, mines, paper mills, drilling rigs, and fire fighting stations. The GX-3R offers a full range of features, including:

- Simultaneous monitoring of one to four gases
- Liquid crystal display (LCD) for complete and understandable information at a glance
- Ultrabright alarm LEDs
- Distinctive audible/vibrating alarms for dangerous gas conditions and audible alarms for unit malfunction
- Microprocessor control for reliability, ease of use, and advanced capabilities
- Data logging functions
- Alarm trend data
- STEL, TWA, and over range alarms
- Peak readings
- Built-in time function
- Lunch break feature
- CSA "C/US" classified as intrinsically safe (see Table 2 on page 10)

WARNING: The Model GX-3R detects oxygen deficiency, elevated levels of oxygen, combustible gases, carbon monoxide, and hydrogen sulfide, all of which can be dangerous or life threatening. When using the GX-3R, you must follow the instructions and warnings in this manual to assure proper and safe operation of the unit and to minimize the risk of personal injury. Be sure to maintain and periodically calibrate the GX-3R as described in this manual.

### **Specifications**

|                                  | Combustible Gas,<br>Methane (CH <sub>4</sub> )<br>Calibration Standard*  | Oxygen (O <sub>2</sub> )  | Hydrogen<br>Sulfide (H <sub>2</sub> S)   | Carbon<br>Monoxide (CO)   |
|----------------------------------|--|---|--|---|
| Detection Range                  | 0 - 100% LEL   | 0 - 40% volume  | 0 - 200.0 ppm  | 0 - 2000 ppm  |
| Lowest Detectable<br>Limit (LDL) | n/a  | n/a   | 0.5 ppm  | 3 ppm   |
| Reading<br>Increment             | 1% LEL   | 0.1% volume   | 0.1 ppm  | 1 ppm   |
| Warning<br>Setpoint              | 10% LEL  | 19.5% volume,<br>decreasing   | 5.0 ppm  | 25 ppm  |
| Alarm<br>Setpoint                | 25% LEL  | 18.0% volume,<br>decreasing   | 30.0 ppm   | 50 ppm  |
| Alarm H<br>Setpoint              | 50% LEL  | 23.5% volume,<br>increasing   | 100.0 ppm  | 1200 ppm  |
| STEL Setpoint                    | n/a  | n/a   | 5.0 ppm  | 200 ppm   |
| TWA Setpoint                     | n/a  | n/a   | 1.0 ppm  | 25 ppm  |
| Indication<br>Accuracy**         | <ul> <li>Continuous environment<br/>(-20°C to 50°C): ± 5% of<br/>reading or ± 2% LEL<br/>(whichever is greater)</li> <li>Temporary environment<br/>(-40°C to -21°C and 51°C<br/>to 60°C): ± 10% LEL</li> </ul> | <ul> <li>0 - 25.0%:<br/>± 0.5% O<sub>2</sub></li> <li>25.1 - 40.0%:<br/>± 3.0% O<sub>2</sub></li> </ul> | <ul> <li>0 - 100 ppm:<br/>± 5% of reading<br/>or ± 2 ppm H<sub>2</sub>S<br/>(whichever is<br/>greater)</li> <li>101 - 200 ppm:<br/>± 20% of reading</li> </ul> | <ul> <li>0 - 500 ppm:<br/>± 5% of reading<br/>or ± 5 ppm CO<br/>(whichever is<br/>greater)</li> <li>501 - 2000 ppm:<br/>± 20% of reading</li> </ul> |

 Table 1: Standard Sensor Specifications/Alarm Points

\* The GX-3R is also available set up for general hydrocarbons and calibrated to a combustible gas other than methane, such as isobutane. Consult RKI Instruments, Inc. for further information.

\*\* Indication accuracy specifications are measured at constant conditions.

#### Table 2: GX-3R Specifications

| Sampling<br>Method | Diffusion (this model does not have internal suction pumps) |
|--------------------|---|
| Response<br>Time   | T90 within 30 seconds                                       |
| Display            | Graphics LCD Display  |

#### Table 2: GX-3R Specifications

|                              | • 3000 meter maximum altitude   |  |  |  |
|------------------------------|---|--|--|--|
|                              |   |  |  |  |
| Environment<br>al Conditions | Operating pressure: 70 - 120 kPa (70 - 110 kPa for explosion-proof)     Dellution degree 2  |  |  |  |
| ar conditions                | Pollution degree 2  |  |  |  |
|                              | • IP 66/68  |  |  |  |
|                              | Continuous environment: -20°C to 50°C/Below 90% RH  |  |  |  |
| Operating                    | <b>Temporary environment (up to 15 minutes):</b> -40°C to 60°C/Below 95% RH   |  |  |  |
| Temperature                  | Ambient temperature range (for charging): 0°C to 40°C   |  |  |  |
| & Humidity<br>Ranges         | <b>NOTE:</b> The $H_2$ -compensated CO sensor may not effectively compensate for high levels of $H_2$ if exposed to temperatures above 40°C for longer than 15 minutes. Under these conditions, it can appear to the instrument that the $H_2$ concentration has exceeded 2000 ppm, the max concentration that can be compensated for, resulting in a CO reading higher than the actual CO level. |  |  |  |
|                              | ATEX: Certificate Number: DEKRA 17ATEX0103 X  |  |  |  |
|                              | II1G Ex da ia IIC T4 Ga/IM1 Ex da ia I Ma (with combustible sensor NCR-6309)<br>II1G Ex ia IIC T4 Ga/IM1 Ex ia I Ma (without combustible sensor NCR-6309)   |  |  |  |
|                              | • IECEx: Certificate Number: IECEx DEK 17.0050 X  |  |  |  |
|                              | Ex da ia IIC T4 Ga/Ex da ia I Ma (with combustible sensor NCR-6309)   |  |  |  |
|                              | Ex ia IIC T4 Ga/Ex ia I Ma (without combustible sensor NCR-6309)  |  |  |  |
|                              | ⟨€x⟩  |  |  |  |
|                              | • CSA classified, "C/US", as Intrinsically Safe. Class I Division 1 Groups A, B, C, D T4.   |  |  |  |
| Safety/                      | Class I, Zones 0, A/Ex da ia IIC T4 Ga (with combustible sensor NCR-6309)   |  |  |  |
| Regulatory                   | Class I, Zones 0, A/Ex ia IIC T4 Ga (without combustible sensor NCR-6309)   |  |  |  |
|                              |   |  |  |  |
|                              | C US  |  |  |  |
|                              | 186718  |  |  |  |
|                              | • Ambient Temperature Range (for intrinsically safe rating): -40°C to 60°C  |  |  |  |
|                              | Intrinsically safe construction and flame-proof enclosures  |  |  |  |
|                              | <b>WARNING:</b> The combustible gas sensor NCR-6309, to measure LEL, is the only part of this Gas Monitor system with flame-proof construction.   |  |  |  |
|                              | • IEC 60079-0:2017 • EN IEC 60079-0:2018  |  |  |  |
| <b>T</b> . ( <b>A</b>        | • IEC 60079-1:2014-06 • EN60079-1:2014  |  |  |  |
| List of<br>Standards         | • IEC 60079-11:2011 • EN60079-11:2012   |  |  |  |
| Stanuarus                    | • EN50303:2000  |  |  |  |
|                              | Lithium ion hottom, mode (2.7 WDC, 200 mA)  |  |  |  |
|                              | Lithium ion battery pack (3.7 VDC, 200 mA)  |  |  |  |
|                              | Maxell rechargeable battery model no. ICP463048XS   |  |  |  |
| Power Supply                 | • The battery should be charged with the dedicated AC adapter or by power from a IEC60950-certified SELV power source, or IEC62368-1-certified ES1 power source. The maximum voltage from the charger shall not exceed 6.3 VDC.   |  |  |  |
|                              | <b>NOTE:</b> The GX-3R draws power from an integrated rechargeable Li-ion battery that is not user-replaceable.   |  |  |  |

| <u>With combustible gas sensor</u> : 25 hours in Measuring Mode (non-alarm operation)<br><u>Without combustible gas sensor</u> : 60 hours in Measuring Mode (non-alarm operation)  |  |  |   |  |   |
|--|--|--|---|--|---|
| Input: 100 - 240 VAC, 47 - 63 Hz, 2.4 A<br>Output: 5.99 VDC, 2A max  |  |  |   |  |   |
| <b>NOTE:</b> A dedicated AC adapter is used for recharging the Li-ion battery. The battery should be charged with the dedicated AC adapter or by power from a IEC60950-certified SELV power source, or IEC62368-1-certified ES1 power source. The maximum voltage from the charger shall not exceed 6.3 VDC. |  |  |   |  |   |
| WARNING: Do not  | charge the ur  | it with a non-z  | genuine charg   | er.  |   |
| High-impact Plastic, RF Shielded, Dust and Weather Proof (IP 66/68)  |  |  |   |  |   |
| <b>WARNING:</b> The enclosures shall be protected against exposure to hydraulic liquids, oil or grease.  |  |  |   |  |   |
| <ul> <li>Alligator clip</li> <li>Rubber boot</li> <li>Wrist strap</li> <li>Calibration cup</li> <li>Single-unit charger</li> <li>12 VDC adapter</li> <li>Multi-unit charger</li> <li>Belt clip</li> <li>SDM 3R</li> </ul>  |  |  |   |  |   |
|  |  |  |   | er   |   |
| Approximately 65(H) x 58(W) x 26(D) mm (2.6"H x 2.3"W x 1.0"D)<br>Approximately 100 g (3.5 oz.)  |  |  |   |  |   |
| Instrument No.   | 00   | 0  | 000   | 0000   | 00  |
|  | А  | В  | С   | D  | Е   |
| <ul> <li>A: Year of manufacture (0 to 9)</li> <li>B: Month of manufacture (1 to 9 for JanSep.; XYZ for Oct., Nov., Dec.)</li> <li>C: Manufacturing lot</li> <li>D: Serial number</li> <li>E: Fortern onder</li> </ul>  |  |  |   |  |   |
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### **About this Manual**

The GX-3R Operator's Manual uses the following conventions for notes, cautions, and warnings.

**NOTE:** Describes additional or critical information.

**CAUTION:** Describes potential damage to equipment.

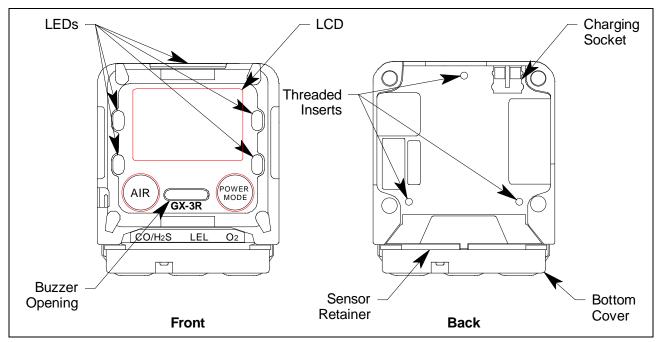
WARNING: Describes potential danger that can result in injury or death.

# **Chapter 2: Description**

#### **Overview**

This chapter describes the GX-3R instrument and its accessories.

### **Instrument Description**



**Figure 1: Component Location** 

### Case

The GX-3R's sturdy, high-impact plastic case is radio frequency (RF) resistant and is suitable for use in many environmental conditions, indoors and out. The case is dust proof and water resistant. A clear plastic window on the front of the case allows for LCD viewing. The black bottom cover, located on the bottom of the case, allows access to the filters and sensors. A sensor retainer and filter gasket help orient and retain the sensor and filters.

Three threaded inserts on the back of the case allow for installation of an alligator clip or belt clip.

### LCD

The digital LCD (liquid crystal display) simultaneously shows the gas reading for all installed sensors. The LCD also shows information for each of the GX-3R's operating modes.

WARNING: A thin protective film covers the display to prevent scratches during shipping. Remove this film before use. Leaving the film installed voids the intrinsically safe certification.

#### **Control Buttons**

Two control buttons, AIR and POWER MODE, are located below the LCD.

| Button     | Function(s)  |  |  |
|------------|--|--|--|
| AIR        | turns on LCD backlight   |  |  |
|            | <ul> <li>resets alarm condition if LATCHING is set to ON in Maintenance<br/>Mode</li> </ul>        |  |  |
|            | • enters User Mode, Maintenance Mode, and Gas Select Mode when used with POWER MODE button         |  |  |
|            | <ul> <li>activates the demand zero function (adjusts the GX-3R's fresh air<br/>reading)</li> </ul> |  |  |
|            | • changes the value of a parameter available for adjustment  |  |  |
|            | • scrolls through parameter options  |  |  |
| POWER MODE | • turns the GX-3R on and off   |  |  |
|            | turns on LCD backlight   |  |  |
|            | <ul> <li>enters and scrolls through Display Mode</li> </ul>  |  |  |
|            | • enters instructions into the GX-3R's microprocessor  |  |  |
|            | <ul> <li>resets alarm condition if LATCHING is set to ON in Maintenance<br/>Mode</li> </ul>        |  |  |
|            | • enters User Mode, Maintenance Mode, and Gas Select Mode when used with AIR button                |  |  |

#### Alarm LEDs

The six alarm LEDs around the edge of the case alert you to gas, low battery, and failure alarms.

#### Buzzer

One solid-state electronic buzzer is located inside the case. Sound exits the case through a hole in the middle front of the case. The buzzer sounds for gas alarms, malfunctions, low battery voltage, and as an indicator during use of the GX-3R's many display and adjustment options.

#### Vibrator

A vibrating motor inside the GX-3R case vibrates for gas alarms, unit malfunctions, and as an indicator during normal use of the various modes of the GX-3R.

**NOTE:** If **STEALTH** is set to **ON**, the vibrator only functions when **VIB** in the **STEALTH** Gas Select Mode item is set to **ON**. See "Stealth and Vibrator Settings (STEALTH)" on page 137.

#### Sensors

The GX-3R uses three sensors to monitor combustible gas, oxygen  $(O_2)$ , carbon monoxide (CO), and hydrogen sulfide  $(H_2S)$  simultaneously. The sensors are located inside the GX-3R and are held in their sockets by the sensor retainer and bottom cover. The sensors use different detection principles, as described below.

#### Combustible Gas Sensor

The combustible gas sensor (NCR-6309) detects combustible gas in the % LEL range using 2 catalytic elements: a standard element and a poison-resistant element that is resistant to sensor poisons like silicone. The element's resistance changes based on the reaction of gas with oxygen. The change in resistance affects the current flowing through the element. The GX-3R's circuitry amplifies the current, converts the current to a gas concentration, and displays the concentration on the LCD.

The standard calibration for the combustible gas sensor is to methane but the sensor will still detect and respond to a variety of combustible gases.

WARNING: Do not give strong force or shock to NCR-6309. There is a danger that the flameproof performance will be damaged due to breakage etc. This sensor uses flameproof conditions of "low" possibility of mechanical damage.

*WARNING:* NCR-6309 must not be exposed to ultraviolet light. The sensor shall not be exposed to ultraviolet light or used in equipment in which it is not fully enclosed.

#### O2/CO/H2S Sensors

The  $O_2$ , CO, and  $H_2S$  sensors are electrochemical cells that consist of two precious metal electrodes in a dilute acid electrolyte. A gas permeable membrane covers the sensor face and allows gas to diffuse into the electrolyte. The gas reacts in the sensor and produces a current proportional to the concentration of the target gas. The GX-3R's circuitry amplifies the current, converts the current to a gas concentration, and displays the concentration on the LCD.

There are 4 different types of CO and H<sub>2</sub>S sensors available:

• CO only (ESR-A13P-CO): A single electrochemical cell that detects CO. Instruments with this sensor cannot detect  $H_2S$ .

- H<sub>2</sub>-compensated CO (ESR-A1CP-CO-H): A single electrochemical cell that detects CO. This sensor does not respond to or responds minimally to hydrogen (displays H2 RICH once H<sub>2</sub> concentration reaches 2000 ppm). Instruments with this sensor cannot detect H<sub>2</sub>S.
- **NOTE:** The H<sub>2</sub>-compensated CO sensor may not effectively compensate for high levels of H<sub>2</sub> if exposed to temperatures above 40°C for longer than 15 minutes. Under these conditions, it can appear to the instrument that the H<sub>2</sub> concentration has exceeded 2000 ppm, the max concentration that can be compensated for, resulting in a CO reading higher than the actual CO level.
- H<sub>2</sub>S only (ESR-A13i-H2S): A single electrochemical cell that detects H<sub>2</sub>S. Instruments with this sensor cannot detect CO.
- CO/H<sub>2</sub>S (ESR-A1DR-COHS): A combination electrochemical cell that detects both CO and H<sub>2</sub>S.

#### Dummy Sensors

A dummy sensor is installed in any units that have less than 3 sensors. Dummy sensors are factory installed. The flat side of the dummy sensor faces away from the GX-3R and the hollow side faces toward the GX-3R.

#### Filters

#### Combustible Gas Sensor H<sub>2</sub>S Removal Filter Disk (Dark Red)

An  $H_2S$  removal filter disk is placed into a recess in the filter gasket over the combustible gas sensor. The filter disk prolongs the life of the combustible gas sensor by preventing  $H_2S$  in the ambient air from reaching the sensor. The  $H_2S$  filter disk is dark red in color and although it may darken over time, its color is not indicative of remaining filter life.

The H<sub>2</sub>S filter disk needs replacing once it's been exposed to 33 ppm hours of H<sub>2</sub>S. This means the filter needs replacing after 80 minutes of exposure to 25 ppm H<sub>2</sub>S which equates to 40 2-minute calibrations with a cylinder containing 25 ppm H<sub>2</sub>S. If H<sub>2</sub>S exists in the monitoring environment, the H<sub>2</sub>S filter disk will have to be replaced more frequently.

#### CO/H<sub>2</sub>S Sensor Dual Filter (Black and White)

A dual filter is placed into a recess in the filter gasket over the dual  $CO/H_2S$  sensor. The black half is a charcoal filter for the CO sensor. The white half is a humidity filter for the H<sub>2</sub>S sensor.

Replace the filter if you notice the following:

- Unexplained CO readings
- For users with a 1 ppm H<sub>2</sub>S alarm setpoint: A drift on the H<sub>2</sub>S zero reading, unexplained H<sub>2</sub>S readings, the filter appears dirty, or every 6 months (whichever is sooner)

#### CO Sensor Charcoal Filter (Black)

A black charcoal filter is placed into a recess in the filter gasket over the CO sensor. The charcoal filter disk scrubs  $H_2S$  and certain hydrocarbons out of the sample to avoid false CO readings. If false or elevated CO readings are noticed, especially in the presence of  $H_2S$ , change the charcoal filter.

#### H<sub>2</sub>S Sensor Humidity Filter (White)

A white humidity filter covers the  $H_2S$  sensor. The filter absorbs humidity in the sampling environment to prevent unstable readings around 0 ppm  $H_2S$ . For users with a 1 ppm  $H_2S$  alarm setpoint, the filter should be replaced every 6 months, if you notice a drift on the zero reading, or if the filter appears dirty (whichever is sooner). For users with a 2 ppm or higher  $H_2S$  setpoint, the filter does not necessarily need to be replaced.

#### Hydrophobic Dust Filter

The oval-shaped hydrophobic dust filter is attached to the top of the filter gasket, covering the sensor ports and the filters. The filter gasket and hydrophobic dust filter get replaced as a set.

**NOTE:** Some GX-3Rs have a hydrophobic dust filter that is <u>not</u> attached to the filter gasket. When replacing the hydrophobic dust filter on one of these GX-3Rs, remove the filter <u>and</u> the gasket and replace it with a filter gasket/hydrophobic dust filter assembly.

#### Infrared Communications Port

An infrared (IR) communications port is located on the top of the case, near the top LEDs. Logged data transmits through the port in standard IrDA protocol. A computer's infrared port or an IrDA/USB cable connected to a USB port can be used to download data to the GX-3R Data Logger Management Program. See the GX-3R Data Logger Management Program operator's manual for data logging and downloading instructions.

#### **Charging Socket and Battery Pack**

A charging socket on the back of the instrument allows for charging cable connection.

A lithium ion (Li-ion) battery pack powers the GX-3R. At 25°C the battery lasts at least 25 hours. The battery icon in the upper right of the LCD shows remaining battery life.

A low battery warning activates when the GX-3R detects a low battery voltage. The GX-3R sounds a dead battery alarm when battery voltage is too low for Measuring Mode.

The battery pack can be recharged by using the GX-3R charging cable. The battery pack is not user-replaceable.

**NOTE:** Use of batteries or battery chargers not specified by RKI Instruments, Inc. will compromise the CSA classification and may void the warranty. See "Recharging the Batteries" on page 97.

*WARNING:* Do not charge batteries in a hazardous location. Do not charge the unit with a non-genuine charger.

AVERTISSEMENT: Ne chargez pas les batteries dans un endroit dangereux. Ne chargez pas l'appareil avec un chargeur qui n'est pas d'origine.

### **Included Accessories**

#### Alligator Clip

An alligator clip is installed on the back of the GX-3R. The alligator clip can be used to attach the GX-3R to clothing or a belt. Teeth in the alligator clip's jaws prevent the unit from slipping off.

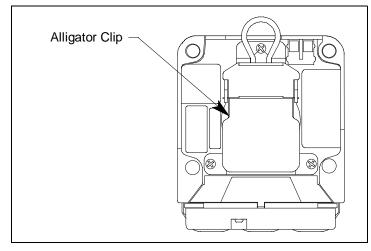


Figure 2: Alligator Clip

#### **Rubber Boot**

A black rubber boot is installed on the GX-3R.

### Wrist Strap

A wrist strap is included with the GX-3R and can be attached to the wrist strap installation feature on the left side of the GX-3R's case.

### Single-Unit AC Charger

The charging cable is a 4 foot cable with an AC adapter on one end and a charging plug that connects to the GX-3R on the other end.

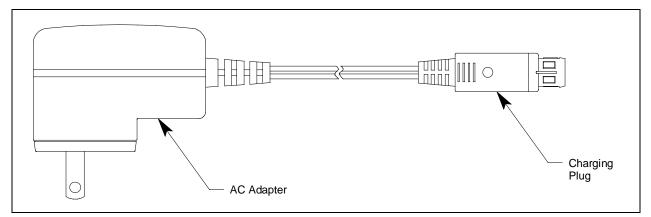


Figure 3: Charging Cable

### **Calibration Cup**

Use the calibration cup to apply gas during a bump test, calibration, or gas test. The calibration cup has an installation orientation to observe. "Front" and "rear" imprinting on the bottom of the cup correspond to the front and rear of the GX-3R when the calibration cup is installed. In addition, a "front" label on the front of the calibration cup should be visible when viewing the LCD with the calibration cup installed.

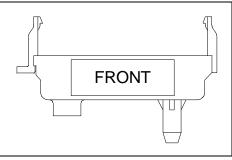


Figure 4: Calibration Cup

#### **Other Accessories**

#### 12 VDC Charger

The 12 VDC charger is a 4 foot cable with a vehicle plug on one end and plug that connects to the GX-3R's power jack on the other end.

### Multi-Unit AC Charger

The multi-unit charger is a 4 foot wall plug style adapter that plugs into a bar. The bar has five 2-foot cables coming out one side. The end of each of the five cables has a plug that connects to the GX-3R's power jack. The AC adapter is rated 100 - 240 VAC input, 5.99 VDC output.

### Belt Clip

A belt clip makes it easy to hook the GX-3R to a utility belt.

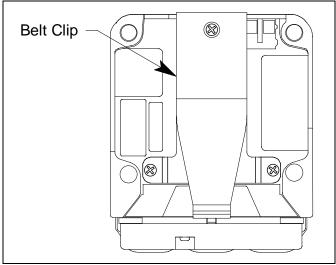


Figure 5: Belt Clip

### SDM-3R

The SDM-3R is a calibration station for the GX-3R and GX-3R Pro. The station's buttons can be used for operations (Standalone Mode) or a computer can be used to control the docking station (PC Controlled Mode). See the appropriate SDM-3R manual for more information.

## RP-3R

The RP-3R is a pump that draws sample to the GX-3R. See the RP-3R manual for more information.

### Aspirator Adapter

The aspirator adapter is a squeeze-bulb assembly that draws sample to the GX-3R.

## IrDA Cable

Unless your computer has a built-in IrDA port, an IrDA cable is needed to establish communication between the GX-3R and the Datalogging Program or the User Setup Program.

# **Chapter 3: Operation**

#### **Overview**

This chapter explains how to use the GX-3R to perform confined space entry monitoring or general area monitoring in Measuring Mode.

### Start Up

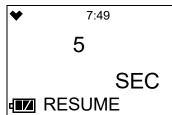
This section explains how to start up the GX-3R, get it ready for operation, and turn it off.

**NOTE:** The screens illustrated in this section are for a standard 4-gas unit. The screens displayed by your GX-3R may be slightly different.

#### Turning On the GX-3R

To illustrate certain functions, the following description of the GX-3R start up sequence assumes that the following menu items in User Mode are turned on: LUNCH, CAL RMDR, and **BUMP.RMDR** in User Mode, and **ID DISP** and **AUTOZERO** in Maintenance Mode. If any of these items are turned off, then the corresponding screens will not appear.

- 1. Press and briefly hold down POWER MODE. Confirm that the LCD turns on, the LEDs flash, the buzzer sounds, and the motor vibrates before continuing with operation. Release the POWER MODE button when you hear a beep.
- 2. If LUNCH is set to ON (factory setting if OFF, see "Updating the Lunch Break Setting (LUNCH)" on page 88), the Lunch Break Screen appears. The unit counts down from 5 seconds.



- a. <u>Continue Accumulating</u>: To continue accumulating peak and time-weighted average (TWA) readings from the last time the GX-3R was used, press and release POWER MODE or allow the countdown to reach 0. The short-term exposure limit (STEL) reading is reset each time the GX-3R is turned on.
- b. <u>Reset Accumulation</u>: To reset the accumulation of peak and time-weighted average (TWA) readings, press and release AIR before the countdown reaches 0.

WARNING: A thin protective film covers the display to prevent scratches during shipping. Remove this film before use. Leaving the film installed voids the intrinsically safe certification.

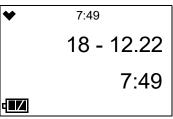
3. If **CAL RMDR** is set to **ON** (factory setting) and <u>a calibration is due</u>, the screen that appears next depends on how **CAL EXPD** is set in User Mode (see "CAL EXPD" on page 79). The three possible screens are described below. If <u>a calibration is not due</u>, the instrument shows how many days are left until a calibration is due.

|        | CAL EXPD set to<br>CONFIRM (factory setting)  | CAL EXPD set to<br>CANT USE  | CAL EXPD set to<br>NONE   |
|--------|---|--|---|
| LCD    | <ul> <li>▼ 7:49</li> <li>CAL</li> <li>CALLMT</li> </ul>   | <ul><li>▼ 7:49</li><li>FAIL</li><li>Image CALLMT</li></ul>   | <ul> <li>▼ 7:49</li> <li>0 d</li> <li>■ NEXT CAL</li> </ul>   |
| Sound  | Buzzer sounds double pulsing tone   | Buzzer sounds double pulsing tone  | None  |
| Action | <ul> <li><u>Option A, Perform</u><br/><u>calibration</u>: Press and release<br/>POWER MODE to perform a<br/>calibration. The instrument<br/>takes you straight to the<br/>AUTO CAL CYL A screen in<br/>User Mode's GAS<br/>CAL\AUTO CAL item. If<br/><b>Password Protection</b> is set to<br/><b>On</b> using the SDM-3R PC<br/>program, you must enter a<br/>password. See page 66 for<br/>calibration instructions.<br/>If the calibration is<br/>successful, the screen above<br/>will not appear again until the<br/>unit is due for calibration. If<br/>the calibration is not<br/>successful, the screen above<br/>will again appear in the<br/>startup sequence.</li> <li><u>Option B, Bypass message</u>:<br/>To continue without<br/>performing a calibration,<br/>press and release AIR.</li> </ul> | <ul> <li>The GX-3R cannot be used<br/>until a successful calibration<br/>is performed. Press and<br/>release POWER MODE to<br/>perform a calibration. The<br/>instrument takes you straight<br/>to the AUTO CAL CYL A<br/>screen in User Mode's GAS<br/>CAL\AUTO CAL item. If<br/><b>Password Protection</b> is set<br/>to <b>On</b> using the SDM-3R PC<br/>program, you must enter a<br/>password. If you don't press<br/>POWER MODE, the<br/>instrument automatically<br/>goes to the AUTO CAL CYL<br/>A screen after 6 seconds. If<br/><b>Password Protection</b> is set<br/>to <b>On</b> using the SDM-3R PC<br/>program, you must enter a<br/>password. See page 66 for<br/>calibration instructions.<br/>If the calibration is<br/>successful, the screen above<br/>will not appear again until<br/>the unit is due for calibration.<br/>If the calibration is not<br/>successful, the screen above<br/>will again appear in the<br/>startup sequence.</li> </ul> | <ul> <li>Option A, Perform<br/>calibration: To perform a<br/>calibration, press and release<br/>POWER MODE. The<br/>instrument takes you straight<br/>to the AUTO CAL CYL A<br/>screen in User Mode's GAS<br/>CAL\AUTO CAL item. If<br/>Password Protection is set<br/>to On using the SDM-3R PC<br/>program, you must enter a<br/>password.</li> <li>Option B, Bypass message:<br/>To continue without<br/>performing a calibration,<br/>wait a few seconds for the<br/>instrument to continue with<br/>its startup sequence.</li> </ul> |

4. If **BUMP.RMDR** is set to **ON** (factory setting is **OFF**) and <u>a bump test is due</u>, the screen that appears next depends on how **BUMP.EXPD** is set in User Mode (see "BUMP.EXPD" on page 84). The three possible screens are described below. If a <u>bump test is not due</u>, the instrument shows how many days are left until a bump test is due.

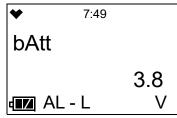
|        | BUMP.EXPD set to<br>CONFIRM (factory setting)   | BUMP.EXPD set to<br>CANT USE  | BUMP.EXPD set to<br>NONE   |
|--------|---|---|--|
| LCD    | <ul> <li>▼ 7:49</li> <li>CAL</li> <li>■ BUMPLMT</li> </ul>  | ▼ 7:49<br>FAIL<br>■ BUMPLMT   | <ul> <li>▼ 7:49</li> <li>O d</li> <li>■ NEXT BP</li> </ul>   |
| Sound  | Buzzer sounds double pulsing tone   | Buzzer sounds double pulsing tone   | None   |
| Action | <ul> <li>Option A, Perform bump<br/>test: Press and release<br/>POWER MODE to perform<br/>a bump test. The instrument<br/>takes you straight to the<br/>BUMP CYL A screen in<br/>User Mode's BUMP item. If<br/>Password Protection is set<br/>to On using the SDM-3R PC<br/>program, you must enter a<br/>password. See page 59 for<br/>bump test instructions.<br/>If the bump test is<br/>successful, the screen above<br/>will not appear again until<br/>the unit is due for bump<br/>testing. If the bump test is<br/>not successful, the screen<br/>above will again appear in<br/>the startup sequence.</li> <li>Option B, Bypass message:<br/>To continue without<br/>performing a bump test,<br/>press and release AIR.</li> </ul> | The GX-3R cannot be used<br>until a successful bump test has<br>been performed. Press and<br>release POWER MODE to per-<br>form a bump test. The instru-<br>ment takes you straight to the<br>BUMP CYL A screen in User<br>Mode's BUMP item. If<br><b>Password Protection</b> is set to<br><b>On</b> using the SDM-3R PC pro-<br>gram, you must enter a pass-<br>word. If you don't press<br>POWER MODE, the instru-<br>ment automatically goes to the<br>BUMP CYL A screen after 6<br>seconds. If <b>Password Protec-</b><br><b>tion</b> is set to <b>On</b> using the<br>SDM-3R PC program, you<br>must enter a password. See<br>page 59 for bump test instruc-<br>tions.<br>If the bump test is successful,<br>the screen above will not<br>appear again until the unit is<br>due for bump testing. If the<br>bump test is not successful, the<br>screen above will again appear<br>in the startup sequence. | <ul> <li><u>Option A, Perform bump</u><br/><u>test</u>: To perform a bump test,<br/>press and release POWER<br/>MODE. The instrument<br/>takes you straight to the<br/>BUMP CYL A screen in<br/>User Mode's BUMP item. If<br/><b>Password Protection</b> is set<br/>to <b>On</b> using the SDM-3R PC<br/>program, you must enter a<br/>password.</li> <li><u>Option B, Bypass message</u>:<br/>To continue without<br/>performing a bump test, wait<br/>a few seconds for the<br/>instrument to continue with<br/>its startup sequence.</li> </ul> |

5. The Date/Time Screen appears for a few seconds.



6. The Battery Voltage Screen appears for a few seconds.

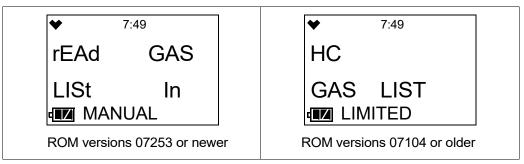
An "AL-L" at the bottom of the screen indicates that the alarms are set to latching. An "AL-A" at the bottom of the screen indicates that the alarms are set to auto reset. See page 125 for a description of how to change this parameter.



7. The combustible gas sensor contains 2 separate sensors: a standard catalytic sensor and a backup, poison-resistant sensor that is resistant to sensor poisons like silicone. An HC Gas List alarm indicates that the standard sensor has a reduced output, possibly due to one or more sensor poisons in the environment, and that the poison-resistant sensor is being used to provide gas readings. The poison-resistant sensor has a limited list of detectable gases. See Table 10 on page 47 for which gases can and cannot be detected during an HC Gas List condition.

Depending on the version, one of the following screens appears, the LEDs flash, and the instrument beeps.

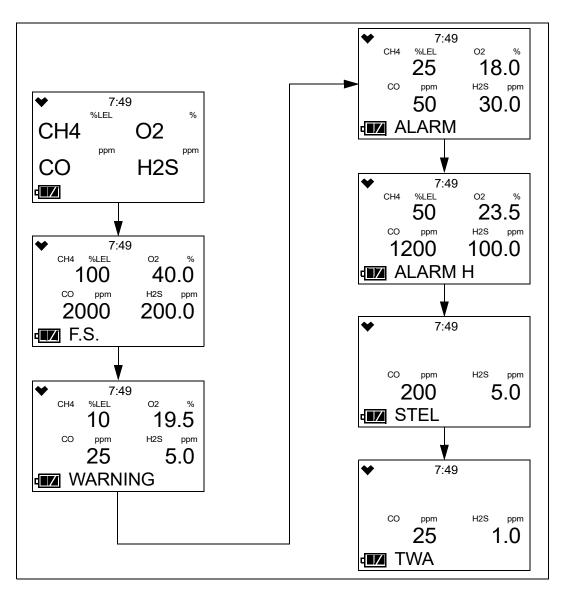
Press and release POWER MODE to confirm the HC Gas List screen and continue to the Gas Name Screen. If POWER MODE is not pressed after 5 seconds, the GX-3R will automatically proceed to the next screen.



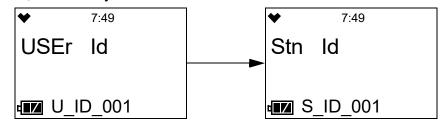
**NOTE:** If your application requires detection of a gas still detectable after an HC Gas List condition (like methane or isobutane), <u>there is no need to replace the combustible gas sensor</u>.

However, if your application requires detection of a gas not detectable after an HC Gas List condition (like methanol or ethanol), you must replace the combustible gas sensor as soon as possible.

- 8. The following screens display for 3 seconds each: the Gas Name Screen, the Full Scale Screen, the Warning Setpoint Screen, the Alarm Setpoint Screen, the Alarm H Setpoint Screen, the STEL Alarm Screen, and TWA Alarm Screen.
  - **NOTE:** If the combustible gas is set to something other than CH4 or H2 in Gas Select Mode, the combustible channel is displayed as "HC" and the gas formula for the combustible gas sensor's target gas appears during startup.



9. If **ID DISP** is set to **ON** (factory setting is **OFF**, see page 126), the User ID Screen appears for a few seconds, followed by the Station ID Screen.

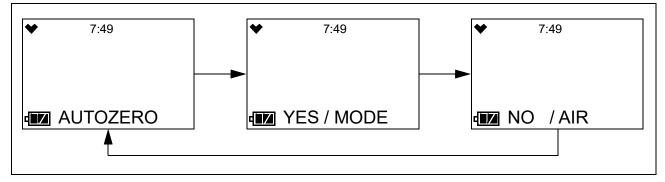


10. If the GX-3R experiences a sensor failure during start up, the display shows which sensor failed and the buzzer sounds a double pulsing tone once per second. In the example below, the combustible gas sensor failed.

| ♥     | 7:49  |  |
|-------|-------|--|
| CH4   | %LEL  |  |
| FAIL  |       |  |
|       |       |  |
|       |       |  |
|       |       |  |
| d 🛛 S | ENSOR |  |

Press and release POWER MODE to acknowledge the failure and continue. "- - - " replaces the failed sensor's gas reading. Replace the failed sensor as soon as possible.

11. If **AUTOZERO** is set to **ON** (factory setting is **OFF**, see page 126), the instrument prompts you to do an auto zero. An auto zero operation sets the combustible gas, H<sub>2</sub>S, and CO channels to zero and the OXY channel to 20.9%.



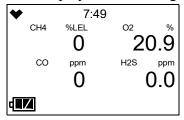
WARNING: Make sure that the instrument is in a known fresh air environment (an environment free of combustible or toxic gases and of normal oxygen content, 20.9%) before performing an auto zero operation. If you perform an auto zero operation in an area with gases present, the adjustment will not be accurate.

You <u>must</u> press and release the POWER MODE button to perform an auto zero function. If you do not press any key, after 15 seconds, the instrument enters Measuring Mode without performing an auto zero.

If **Password Protection** is turned **On** (factory setting is **Off**) using the SDM-3R PC program, a user-set password is required to perform an auto zero. When the password screen appears, adjust each digit with the AIR button and press and release the POWER MODE button to move on to the next digit. Once the password is entered, the instrument performs the auto zero.

| ♥ | 7:49     |  |
|---|----------|--|
|   | 0000     |  |
|   |          |  |
|   |          |  |
| ď | PASSWORD |  |

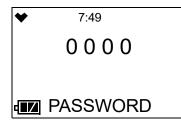
12. At the end of the 45 second warmup, the GX-3R begins monitoring for gas in Measuring Mode. The Measuring Mode Screen displays the current gas reading for each target gas.



#### Performing a Demand Zero

Perform a demand zero before using the GX-3R. This sets the combustible gas,  $H_2S$ , and CO channels to zero and the OXY channel to 20.9%.

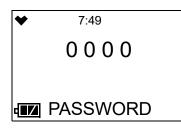
- 1. Find a fresh-air environment. This is an environment free of toxic or combustible gases and of normal oxygen content (20.9%).
- 2. Turn on the unit as described above in Turning On the GX-3R.
- 3. Press and hold AIR. The LCD prompts you to continue holding AIR and the buzzer pulses while you hold the button (if **KEY TONE** is set to **ON** in User Mode).
- 4. Continue to hold AIR until the LCD prompts you to release it. The GX-3R sets the fresh air reading for all channels. Start up is complete and the unit is now ready for monitoring.
- 5. If **Password Protection** is turned **On** (factory setting is **Off**) using the SDM-3R PC program, a user-set password is required to perform a demand zero. When the password screen appears, adjust each digit with the AIR button and press and release the POWER MODE button to move on to the next digit. Once the password is entered, the instrument performs the demand zero.



#### Turning Off the GX-3R

- 1. Press and hold POWER MODE.
- 2. TURN OFF appears on the display and the buzzer pulses for about five seconds (if **KEY TONE** is set to **ON** in User Mode).
- 3. Release the button when TURN OFF disappears from the display.

4. If **Password Protection** is turned **On** (factory setting is **Off**) using the SDM-3R PC program, a user-set password is required to turn off the GX-3R. When the password screen appears, adjust each digit with the AIR button and press and release the POWER MODE button to move on to the next digit. Once the password is entered, the instrument shuts off.



5. If you plan to leave the instrument off for an extended period of time, see page 113.

### **Measuring Mode Operation**

When the GX-3R completes its startup sequence, it is in Measuring Mode. In Measuring Mode the GX-3R continuously monitors the sampled atmosphere and displays the target gas concentrations. The GX-3R is considered to be in Normal Operation if there are no alarm indications.

| ♥✓       | <b>S</b> 7:49 |     |     |
|----------|---------------|-----|-----|
| CH4      | LEL           | O2  | %   |
|          | 0             | 20  | ).9 |
| СО       | ppm           | H2S | ppm |
|          | 0             | (   | 0.0 |
| <b>L</b> |               |     |     |

<u>Heart Symbol</u>: The heart symbol in the upper left corner of the LCD indicates the operation status and blinks when normal. A microprocessor error causes the heart symbol to stop flashing or to disappear.

<u>Check Mark</u>: If **BUMP.RMDR** is set to **ON** <u>and</u> if a bump test is not due, a check mark appears in the upper left corner of the LCD.

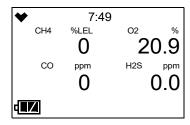
"S": If the instrument is operating in Stealth Mode, an "S" appears at the top of the LCD.

<u>Backlight</u>: In a low-light environment, press and release either button to turn on the display backlight. See page 91 to program backlight duration.

<u>Confirmation/Non-Compliance Indicator</u>: If the **BEEP** menu item in User Mode is set to anything other than **OFF**, the GX-3R gives periodic indications to confirm that it's operating or to indicate a non-compliance (page 89).

#### Monitoring an Area

1. Start up the GX-3R as described above in "Start Up" on page 22. It is now in Measuring Mode.



- 2. Take the GX-3R to the monitoring area.
- 3. Wait at least 15 seconds and observe the display for gas readings. If a reading is observed, allow the reading to stabilize to determine the gas concentrations present.

If you are sampling with an aspirator adapter, see page 35.

- 4. If a gas alarm occurs, take appropriate action. See page 39.
- 5. Do not expose the GX-3R to rain.
- 6. The GX-3R's IP 66/68 ratings do not imply that the GX-3R will detect gas during and after exposure to those conditions. If exposure occurs, dry the instrument with a cloth and perform a bump test as described on page 59.
- 7. If the GX-3R gets exposed to flammable liquids:
  - a. Wipe the instrument off with a cloth dampened with water.
  - b. Replace the filters as described on page 100 and page 103 if they become saturated.
  - c. Perform a bump test as described on page 59.
- 8. If you suspect that the GX-3R is not operating correctly:
  - a. Take the GX-3R to a fresh air environment and perform a demand zero as described on page 29.
  - b. Perform a bump test as described on page 59.

#### **Combustible Gas Detection**

There are three issues to keep in mind when monitoring for combustible gas.

#### Response

The combustible gas sensor responds to any combustible gas. The standard calibrated target gas for the combustible gas channel is methane ( $CH_4$ ). If the instrument is setup for and calibrated to a different combustible gas, such as hexane or propane, the gas name right above the readings displays as "HC".

#### Automatic Conversion

The GX-3R can automatically display <u>converted</u> target gas readings if the instrument's <u>calibrated</u> target gas is methane or isobutane. See "Combustible Sensor Target Gas Conversion (LIST)" on page 47.

#### Manual Conversion

You can manually calculate a <u>converted</u> target gas reading using Table 4 if the instrument's <u>calibrated</u> target gas is methane. The table lists the conversion factors for several hydrocarbon gases **if the GX-3R is calibrated to methane**.

To use this table, multiply the display reading on the combustible gas channel by the factor in the appropriate row to obtain the actual gas concentration. For example, if you are detecting ethylene and the display reads 10% LEL for the combustible gas channel, you actually have 10% LEL x 0.83 = 8.3% LEL ethylene present.

| Gas           | LEL Conversion<br>Factor (from CH <sub>4</sub> Cal.) |
|---------------|--|
| Acetone       | 2.22   |
| Acetylene     | 1.43   |
| Benzene       | 2.50   |
| Butadiene     | 1.52   |
| Cyclopentane  | 1.45   |
| DME           | 1.16   |
| Ethane        | 0.94   |
| Ethanol       | 1.96   |
| Ethyl Acetate | 2.86   |
| Ethylene      | 0.83   |
| Heptane       | 3.13   |
| Hexane        | 1.89   |
| Hydrogen      | 0.95   |

| Gas       | LEL Conversion<br>Factor (from CH <sub>4</sub> Cal.) |  |
|-----------|--|--|
| IPA       | 1.64   |  |
| Isobutane | 1.10   |  |
| MEK       | 2.63   |  |
| Methane   | 1.00   |  |
| Methanol  | 1.82   |  |
| MIBK      | 4.00   |  |
| MMA       | 3.33   |  |
| Nonane    | 9.09   |  |
| Propane   | 1.12   |  |
| Propylene | 0.97   |  |
| THF       | 2.33   |  |
| Toluene   | 4.55   |  |
| Xylene    | 7.69   |  |

#### **Overscale Protection**

The GX-3R protects the combustible gas sensor by temporarily turning off the sensor power if levels exceeding 100% LEL are detected. Nevertheless, combustible gas concentrations above 100% LEL can still affect the zero level or calibration of the combustible gas sensor.

*CAUTION:* Do not expose the combustible gas sensor to high concentrations of combustible gas such as that from a butane lighter. Exposure to high concentrations of combustible gas may adversely affect the performance of the sensor.

*CAUTION:* Any rapid increase in the combustible gas reading on the combustible gas channel followed by a declining or erratic reading may indicate a gas concentration above the LEL which may be hazardous.

#### **Damaging Gases**

Some gases such as silicone vapors, chlorinated hydrocarbons, and sulphur compounds can contaminate the sensor's detection elements. This causes sensor damage and/or a reduced response to combustible gas. Make every effort to avoid these gases.

The  $H_2S$  scrubber disks protect the combustible sensor from  $H_2S$ , but you should avoid other sulphur compounds.

#### HC Gas List Alarm

An HC Gas List alarm can occur at startup or after a calibration.

The combustible gas sensor actually contains 2 separate sensors: a standard catalytic sensor and a backup, poison-resistant sensor that is resistant to sensor poisons like silicone. An HC Gas List alarm indicates that the standard sensor has a reduced output, possibly due to one or more sensor poisons in the environment, and that the poison-resistant sensor is being used to provide gas readings. The poison-resistant sensor has a limited list of detectable gases. The table shown on page 47 shows which gases can and cannot be detected after receiving an HC Gas List alarm.

If your application requires detection of a gas still detectable after an HC Gas List condition (like methane or isobutane), there is no need to replace the combustible gas sensor.

However, if your application requires detection of a gas not detectable after an HC Gas List condition (like methanol or ethanol), you must replace the combustible gas sensor as soon as possible.

#### **Oxygen-Enriched Atmospheres**

The GX-3R is not intended for use in oxygen-enriched atmospheres.

*WARNING:* Do not use the GX-3R in an environment whose oxygen concentration is above 21%.

### H<sub>2</sub>-Compensated CO Detection

- GX-3R displays CO readings.
- H<sub>2</sub> reading is not displayed but "H2 RICH" appears once H<sub>2</sub> concentration rises above 2000 ppm.
- **NOTE:** The H<sub>2</sub>-compensated CO sensor may not effectively compensate for high levels of H<sub>2</sub> if exposed to temperatures above 40°C for longer than 15 minutes. Under these conditions, it can appear to the instrument that the H<sub>2</sub> concentration has exceeded 2000 ppm, the max concentration that can be compensated for, resulting in a CO reading higher than the actual CO level.

#### Interference Information

Some gases interfere with CO and H<sub>2</sub>S sensors. For a complete list of these gases, see page 141.

### Aspirator Adapter Sampling

The aspirator adapter accessory is used when it is necessary to draw sample from an area that cannot be entered or that must be checked for safety before entry, such as a tank or confined space.

**NOTE:** The CSA combustible performance certification for the GX-3R does not include the aspirator adapter.

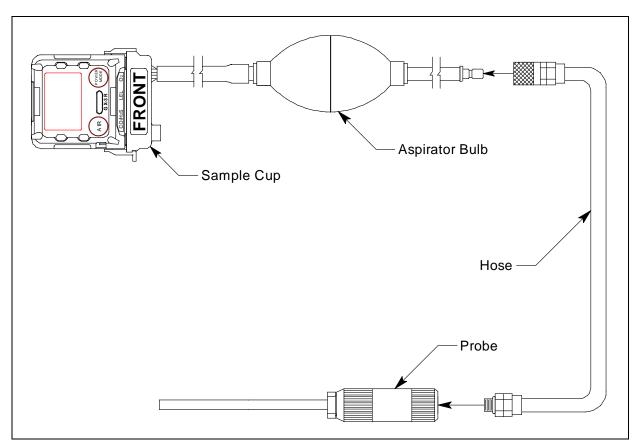


Figure 6: GX-3R Aspirator Adapter

- 1. Turn on the GX-3R as described on page 22.
- 2. Attach the sample cup to the GX-3R. Use the label and imprinting to make sure that the sample cup gets installed in the correct orientation relative to the GX-3R. Be sure the sample cup is pushed on all the way.
- 3. Screw the probe onto the threaded end of the hose.
- 4. Attached the hose and probe to the aspirator bulb.
- 5. Insert the end of the probe into the area to be sampled.
- 6. Squeeze and release the aspirator bulb 15 times.

- 7. Monitor the readings and note if any alarms occur. The readings will peak shortly after the last squeeze and may decrease before all the channels can be checked. Use the Peak screen in Display Mode to see the maximum readings for each channel (see page 45).
  - **NOTE:** The peak readings for each channel are saved until a higher peak is recorded, the peak readings are reset, or the instrument is turned off. If a gas is present but the level does not exceed the previous peak level, the previous peak will be displayed on the Peak Screen.

#### Alarms

This section covers alarm indications in Measuring Mode. It also describes responding to and resetting an alarm condition.

**NOTE:** False alarms may be caused by radio frequency (RF) or electromagnetic (EMI) interference. Keep the GX-3R away from RF and EMI sources such as radio transmitters or large motors.

### Alarm Indications

The GX-3R buzzer sounds an alarm, the LEDs flash, and the vibrator pulses when any sort of alarm condition or failure occurs. If the GX-3R is operating in Stealth Mode, the buzzer does not sound and the vibrator's operation depend on the **VIB** setting in Gas Select Mode's **STEALTH** menu item. See page 137 for more information.

**NOTE:** If an alarm condition occurs while you are in Display Mode, the GX-3R automatically returns to the Measuring Mode screen.

 Table 5: Alarm Types and Indications

| Alarm Type   | Visual Indications   | Other Indications   |
|--|--|---|
| $\frac{\text{Warning}}{\text{Concentration of gas rises}}$ above the Warning setting or<br>falls below the Warning set-<br>ting for O <sub>2</sub> . | <ul> <li>Affected channel's gas reading, gas name, and units flash</li> <li>WARNING appears at the bottom of the LCD</li> <li>Alarm LEDs flash in circle sequence once per second</li> <li>Backlight turns on</li> </ul> | <ul> <li>High-low tone sounding<br/>once per second</li> <li>Vibrator pulses once per<br/>second</li> </ul> |

| Alarm Type   | Visual Indications   | Other Indications                         |
|--|--|---|
| <u>Alarm</u><br>Concentration of gas rises                             | • Affected channel's gas reading, gas name, and units flash                            | • High-low tone sounding twice per second |
| above the Alarm setting or<br>falls below the Alarm setting            | • ALARM appears at the bottom of the LCD   | • Vibrator pulses twice<br>per second     |
| for $O_2$ .  | • Alarm LEDs flash in circle sequence twice per second                                 |   |
|  | Backlight turns on   |   |
| <u>Alarm H</u><br>Concentration of gas rises                           | • Affected channel's gas reading, gas name, and units flash                            | • High-low tone sounding twice per second |
| above the Alarm H setting.   | • ALARM H appears at the bottom of the LCD   | • Vibrator pulses twice<br>per second     |
|  | • Alarm LEDs flash in circle sequence twice per second                                 |   |
|  | • Backlight turns on   |   |
| $\frac{\text{TWA or STEL}}{\text{Concentration of CO or H}_2\text{S}}$ | • Affected channel's gas reading, gas name, and units flash                            | • High-low tone sounding once per second  |
| rises above the TWA or STEL alarm setting.                             | • TWA or STEL appears at the bottom of the LCD   | • Vibrator pulses once per second         |
|  | • Alarm LEDs flash in circle sequence once per second                                  |   |
|  | Backlight turns on   |   |
| H2 RICH (for GX-3Rs with<br>H2-compensated CO sensor)                  | • H2 and rich alternate in the lower right corner                                      | • High-low tone sounding twice per second |
| Concentration of hydrogen  | Alarm LEDs flash twice per second  | • Vibrator pulses twice                   |
| rises above 2000 ppm (parts per million).                              | Backlight turns on   | per second                                |
| Over Range   | <ul> <li>Affected channel's gas reading is<br/>replaced with a flashing □□□</li> </ul> | • High-low tone sounding twice per second |
|  | • Gas name and units flash   | • Vibrator pulses twice                   |
|  | • <b>OVER</b> appears at the bottom of the LCD   | per second                                |
|  | • Alarm LEDs flash in circle sequence twice per second                                 |   |
|  | Backlight turns on   |   |

| Alarm Type   | Visual Indications   | Other Indications   |
|--|--|---|
| <u>Minus Over Range</u>  | <ul> <li>Affected channel's gas reading is replaced with a flashing<br/>Gas name and units flash</li> <li>MOVER appears at the bottom of the LCD</li> <li>Alarm LEDs flash in circle sequence</li> </ul>   | <ul> <li>High-low tone sounding<br/>twice per second</li> <li>Vibrator pulses twice<br/>per second</li> </ul> |
|  | twice per second <ul> <li>Backlight turns on</li> </ul>  |   |
| Low Battery Warning  | • The last bar in the battery icon starts flashing   | None  |
| Dead Battery Alarm   | • Gas readings disappear. <b>FAIL</b><br>appears in the middle of the screen<br>and <b>BATTERY</b> appears at the<br>bottom of the screen.   | Double pulsing tone once<br>per second  |
|  | Alarm LEDs flash once per second   |   |
| <u>Sensor Failure</u>  | <ul> <li>SENSOR appears at the bottom of the screen and the failed sensor(s) are indicated with FAIL under the gas name.</li> <li>Alarm LEDs flash once per second</li> </ul>  |   |
| <u>HC Gas List</u>   | <ul> <li>For GX-3Rs with ROM version<br/>07104 or older, HC GAS LIST<br/>LIMITED appears on the screen.</li> <li>For GX-3Rs with ROM version<br/>07253 or newer, READ GAS LIST<br/>IN MANUAL appears on the screen.</li> <li>Alarm LEDs flash once per second</li> </ul> | Double pulsing tone once<br>per second  |
| <u>Clock Failure</u>   | <ul> <li>FAIL appears in the middle of the screen and CLOCK appears at the bottom of the screen.</li> <li>Alarm LEDs flash once per second</li> </ul>  | Double pulsing tone once<br>per second  |
| <ul> <li>• FAIL SYSTEM appears at the bottom of the screen and an error code displays in the middle</li> <li>• Alarm LEDs flash once per second</li> </ul> |  | Double pulsing tone once<br>per second  |

#### **Table 5: Alarm Types and Indications**

#### **Responding to Alarms**

This section describes response to gas, over range, battery, sensor failure, HC Gas List, clock failure, and system failure alarms.

#### **Responding to Gas Alarms**

- 1. Determine which gas alarm has been activated.
- 2. Follow your established procedure for an increasing gas condition or a decreasing oxygen condition.
- 3. Reset the alarm as necessary or allowed (buzzer silence is available for instruments with ROM 07104 or newer).

#### **Buzzer Silence**

Buzzer silence is available for instruments with ROM version 07104 or newer.

This feature can be turned on or off using the SDM-3R PC Controller program or the GX-3R Datalogging Program.

Table 6 summarizes resetting and silencing alarms for all LATCHING and SILENCE setting combinations.

|                          | LATCHING: ON (factory setting)   | LATCHING: OFF  |
|--------------------------|--|--|
| BUZZER<br>SILENCE:<br>ON | <ul> <li>Press and release the POWER<br/>MODE or AIR buttons to silence the<br/>buzzer.</li> <li>If the gas concentration was still<br/>above the alarm level when the<br/>button was pressed, the LED arrays<br/>continue to flash, the vibrator<br/>continues to pulse, and the GX-3R<br/>continues to display the current<br/>alarm level.</li> <li>The gas reading must fall below (or<br/>rise above for an oxygen low alarm)<br/>an alarm setting before you can reset<br/>the alarm, the LEDs, and the<br/>vibrator using the POWER MODE<br/>or AIR buttons.</li> <li>NOTE: If Password Protection is ON<br/>(factory setting: OFF) using the<br/>SDM-3R PC program, you must press<br/>POWER MODE <u>and</u> AIR<br/>simultaneously and then enter the<br/>user-set password to reset an alarm<br/>condition.</li> </ul> | <ul> <li>Press and release the POWER MODE or AIR buttons to silence the buzzer.</li> <li>The POWER MODE or AIR buttons will not reset the alarm.</li> <li>The alarm, LEDs, and vibrator will automatically reset when gas reading falls below (or rises above for an oxygen low alarm) an alarm setpoint.</li> </ul> |

#### Table 6: Resetting and Silencing Alarms

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| BUZZER                                  | • Pressing POWER MODE or AIR will not silence buzzer.  | • Pressing POWER MODE or AIR will not silence buzzer.   |
|---|--|---|
| SILENCE:<br>OFF<br>(factory<br>setting) | • The gas reading must fall below (or<br>rise above for an oxygen low alarm)<br>an alarm setting before you can reset<br>the alarm condition using the<br>POWER MODE or AIR buttons. | • The alarm condition will<br>automatically reset when the gas<br>reading falls below (or rises above for<br>an oxygen low alarm) an alarm<br>setpoint. |

#### Responding to an H2 RICH Alarm (H2-Compensated CO Sensor Only)

The H2 RICH alarm automatically clears once the hydrogen level decreases below 2000 ppm (parts per million).

#### Responding to Over Range Alarms

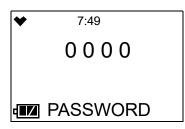
WARNING: An over range condition may indicate an extreme combustible gas, toxic gas, or oxygen concentration. Confirm the gas concentration with a different GX-3R or with another gas detecting device.

*CAUTION:* High off-scale readings may indicate an explosive concentration.

**PRUDENCE:** Des lectures élevées hors échelle peuvent indiquer une concentration explosive.

- 1. Determine which channel is in alarm.
- 2. Follow your established procedure for an extreme gas condition.
- 3. If **LATCHING** is set to **ON** (factory setting) in Maintenance Mode, reset the alarm using POWER MODE or AIR once the alarm condition clears.

If **Password Protection** is turned **On** (factory setting is **Off**) using the SDM-3R PC program, you must press POWER MODE and AIR at the same time and then enter a userset password to reset an alarm condition. When the password screen appears, adjust each digit with the AIR button and press and release the POWER MODE button to move on to the next digit. Once the password is entered, the alarm condition resets.



- 4. Calibrate the GX-3R as described on page 54.
- 5. If the over range condition continues or if you are not able to successfully calibrate the unit, you may need to replace the sensor that has triggered the over range alarm.

6. If the over range condition continues after you have replaced the sensor, contact RKI Instruments, Inc. for further instructions.

#### Responding to Battery Alarms

# WARNING: The GX-3R is not operational as a gas monitoring device during a dead battery alarm. Take the Model GX-3R to a non-hazardous area and replace or recharge the batteries as described in "Recharging the Batteries" on page 97.

The GX-3R is fully functional during a low battery warning. However, only 1-2 hours of operating time remain. The amount of operating time left depends on LCD backlight use and the alarm frequency. Recharge the battery as soon as possible as described in "Recharging the Batteries" on page 97.

**NOTE:** Alarms and the LCD back light consume battery power and reduce the amount of operating time remaining.

#### **Responding to Sensor Failure Alarms**

- 1. Determine which sensor triggered the sensor failure alarm.
- 2. Calibrate the failed sensor, as described on page 54.
- 3. If the sensor failure continues or if the sensor could not be calibrated, replace the sensor as described on page 106.
- 4. If the sensor failure condition continues after you have replaced the sensor, contact RKI Instruments, Inc. for further instructions.

#### Responding to an HC Gas List Alarm

An HC Gas List alarm can occur at startup or after a calibration.

1. Press and release POWER MODE to acknowledge the alarm.

The combustible gas sensor actually contains 2 separate sensors: a standard catalytic sensor and a backup, poison-resistant sensor that is resistant to sensor poisons like silicone. An HC Gas List alarm indicates that the standard sensor has a reduced output, possibly due to one or more sensor poisons in the environment, and that the poison-resistant sensor is being used to provide gas readings. The poison-resistant sensor has a limited list of detectable gases. Table 10 on page 47 shows which gases can and cannot be detected after receiving an HC Gas List alarm.

If your application requires detection of a gas still detectable after an HC Gas List condition (like methane or isobutane), there is no need to replace the combustible gas sensor.

However, if your application requires detection of a gas not detectable after an HC Gas List condition (like methanol or ethanol), you must replace the combustible gas sensor as soon as possible.

#### **Responding to Clock Failure Alarms**

A clock failure alarm occurs if the unit's internal clock malfunctions. A clock failure alarm might also occur if the battery becomes too drained during storage. See page 113 for storage information.



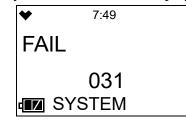
1. Press and release POWER MODE to continue into Measuring Mode.

*CAUTION:* If you operate the instrument after a clock failure, data will still be logged but the date/time will be incorrect. Set the date/time as described on page 93 as soon as possible to ensure logged data uses the correct date/time.

- 2. Attempt to set the date using the **DATE** menu item in User Mode. See page 93.
- 3. If the date cannot be set correctly, contact RKI Instruments, Inc. as soon as possible.

#### **Responding to System Failure Alarms**

1. If a system failure occurs, the system failure screen displays an error code as shown below:



2. The error code meanings are shown in Table 7:

#### **Table 7: Error Code Explanation**

| Error Code | Explanation                 |
|------------|-----------------------------|
| 000        | ROM failure                 |
| 010        | RAM failure                 |
| 021        | FRAM failure                |
| 031        | FLASH memory failure        |
| 080        | Acceleration sensor failure |
| 081        | PCB failure                 |
| 082        | Temperature sensor failure  |

3. If the error code is anything but 031 as shown above, the instrument cannot be used. Contact RKI Instruments, Inc. as soon as possible.

If the error code is 031, you may press and release POWER MODE to continue into Measuring Mode if the instrument must be used temporarily.

*CAUTION:* There will be no datalogging function if you operate the instrument after a 031 system failure. Contact RKI Instruments, Inc. as soon as possible.

## **Data Logging**

The GX-3R logs Measuring Mode gas readings, alarm data, and calibration data to its internal memory. Logged data can be download it to a computer via the infrared communications port on the front of the unit.

To utilize the GX-3R's downloading capability, you will need the GX-3R Data Logger Management Program and a computer with an infrared port or a USB port that runs one of the following operating systems: Windows 7, Windows 8, Windows 10, or Windows 11. If your computer has an infrared port, then no additional accessories are needed to download data from the GX-3R. If your computer does not have an infrared port but does have a USB port, a USB/ IrDA adapter cable can be used to download data from the GX-3R. The GX-3R Data Logger Management Program is available at www.rkiinstruments.com/gx3r. The USB/IrDA adapter cable is available from RKI Instruments, Inc.

The data logging capacity depends on how often the GX-3R stores data, how many channels are active, and how often the GX-3R is turned on and off. Table 8 illustrates how much data logging time is available for the various interval times. It assumes that the unit has three sensors, is only turned on once, and there are no alarm occurrences. The data logging interval time must be set using the GX-3R Data Logger Management Program.

| Interval Time               | Data Logging<br>Time |
|-----------------------------|----------------------|
| 10 seconds                  | 10 hours             |
| 20 seconds                  | 20 hours             |
| 30 seconds                  | 30 hours             |
| 1 minute                    | 60 hours             |
| 3 minutes                   | 180 hours            |
| 5 minutes (factory setting) | 300 hours            |
| 10 minutes                  | 600 hours            |

| Table | 8: | Data | Logging | Capacity |
|-------|----|------|---------|----------|
|-------|----|------|---------|----------|

For a complete description of the Data Logger Management Program and procedures for downloading data to a computer, see the GX-3R Data Logger Management Program Operator's Manual.

# **Chapter 4: Display Mode**

This section describes Display Mode which is accessible from Measuring Mode. See Table 9 for a list of Display Mode's menu items, a short description of each item, and the page number for further description.

| Display Mode Menu<br>Item        | Description   |   |  |
|----------------------------------|---|---|--|
| PEAK (page 45)                   | Displays each sensor's Peak reading.  |   |  |
| STEL (page 46)                   | Displays the STEL readings (CO  | ) and H <sub>2</sub> S only).   |  |
| TWA (page 46)                    | Displays the TWA readings (CC   | and $H_2S$ only).   |  |
| LIST (page 47) <sup>A</sup>      | Change the target gas for the catalytic sensor.   |   |  |
|                                  | <ul> <li>CH4 (methane)</li> <li>i-C4H10 (isobutane)</li> <li>H2 (hydrogen)</li> <li>CH3OH (methanol)</li> <li>C2H2 (acetylene)</li> <li>C2H4 (ethylene)</li> <li>C2H6 (ethane)</li> <li>C2H5OH (ethanol)</li> <li>C3H6 (propylene)</li> <li>C3H60 (acetone)</li> <li>C3H8 (propane)</li> <li>C4H6 (butyne)</li> <li>C5H10 (cyclopentane)</li> <li>C6H6 (benzene)</li> </ul> | <ul> <li>n-C6H14 (hexane)</li> <li>C7H8 (toluene)</li> <li>n-C7H16 (heptane)</li> <li>C8H10 (xylene)</li> <li>n-C9H20 (nonane)</li> <li>EtAc (ethyl acetate)</li> <li>IPA (isopropyl alcohol)</li> <li>MEK (methyl ethyl ketone)</li> <li>MMA (methyl methacrylate)</li> <li>DME (dimethyl ether)</li> <li>MIBK (methyl isobutyl ketone)</li> <li>THF (tetrahydrofuran)</li> <li>n-C5H12 (n-pentane)</li> </ul> |  |
| USER ID (page 49) <sup>B</sup>   | View and/or change the User ID.   |   |  |
| STN ID (page 50) <sup>B</sup>    | View and/or change the Station  | ID.   |  |
| CAL DATA (page 51) <sup>C</sup>  | Displays each sensor's last calibration date.   |   |  |
| BUMP DATA (page 52) <sup>D</sup> | Displays each sensor's last bump test date.   |   |  |
| TEMP (page 52)                   | Displays the current date, time, and temperature.   |   |  |
| ALARMPT (page 53)                | View alarm points   |   |  |

| Table 9: Display | Mode Menu Items |
|------------------|-----------------|
|------------------|-----------------|

<sup>A</sup> Only appears if **DISP SET** is set to **ON** in User Mode (factory setting) and if CH4 or i-C4H10 is selected for the combustible gas in Gas Select Mode.

<sup>B</sup> Only appears if **DISP SET** is set to **ON** in User Mode (factory setting) and if **ID DISP** is set to **ON** in Maintenance Mode (factory setting is **OFF**).

<sup>C</sup> Only appears if CAL RMDR is set to ON in User Mode (factory setting).

<sup>D</sup> Only appears if **BUMP.RMDR** is set to **ON** in User Mode (factory setting is **OFF**).

### **Tips for Using Display Mode**

- To enter Display Mode and scroll from one menu item to the next or skip an item when a question is asked, press and release POWER MODE.
- To enter an item, press and release AIR.
- To change a flashing parameter, press and release AIR. To reverse the direction of movement in a list (ie. from down to up or vice versa):
  - a. Press and hold AIR.
  - b. Immediately press POWER MODE and then release both buttons.
- To exit from an entered-information screen and go back to the main menu, press and release POWER MODE.

**NOTE:** Each screen displays for 20 seconds. If you do not press a button within 20 seconds, the GX-3R automatically returns to Measuring Mode.

#### **Peak Screen (PEAK)**

The peak screen displays the highest (lowest for oxygen) concentrations detected since the GX-3R was turned on. Peak readings are stored in the GX-3R's memory until a higher level is detected (lower for oxygen), the peak reading is cleared, or the GX-3R is turned off.

The lunch break feature enables the GX-3R to save peak readings when it is turned off so it can continue with the same peaks when it is turned on again. See page 88 for instructions to turn the lunch break feature on (default is off).

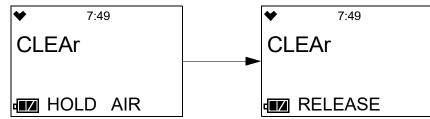
To clear the peak readings, do the following:

# **NOTE:** If **Password Protection** is set to **On** using the SDM-3R PC program, the peak reading cannot be cleared.

1. After entering Display Mode, press and release POWER MODE until PEAK appears.

| ♥ |      | 7:49 |     |             |  |
|---|------|------|-----|-------------|--|
|   | CH4  | %LEL | 02  | %           |  |
|   |      | 24   | 17  | <b>'</b> .3 |  |
|   | СО   | ppm  | H2S | ppm         |  |
|   |      | 135  | 37  | 7.5         |  |
| đ | PEAK |      |     |             |  |

2. Press and hold AIR until the screen prompts you to release it.



3. The peak readings are reset and the unit returns to the Peak Screen.

If you do not want to clear the peak readings, release AIR before the above screen sequence occurs. The unit returns to the Peak Screen.

### **STEL Screen (STEL)**

The STEL Screen displays the short term exposure limit (STEL) readings for  $H_2S$  and CO only. The STEL reading is the average reading over the last 15 minutes.

| * |         | 7:4       | 19  |     |
|---|---------|-----------|-----|-----|
| 4 | co<br>S | 10<br>TEL | H2S | 2.0 |

# TWA Screen (TWA)

The TWA Screen displays the time weighted average (TWA) readings for  $H_2S$  and CO only.

| * |           | 7:4     | .9  |     |
|---|-----------|---------|-----|-----|
|   | co<br>] T | 5<br>WA | H2S | 0.5 |

The TWA reading is the average reading *over the last 8 hours*. If 8 hours have not elapsed since the last time the TWA reading was cleared, the average is still calculated over 8 hours. The missing readings are assigned a 0 value. If **LUNCH** is set to **OFF** (factory setting), the TWA is cleared when the GX-3R is turned off.

If LUNCH is set to ON, the GX-3R remembers TWA readings when it is turned off so it can continue them when it is turned on again. See page 88 for instructions to turn the lunch break feature on (default is off).

### **Combustible Sensor Target Gas Conversion (LIST)**

**NOTE:** This screen only appears if **DISP SET** in User Mode is set to **ON** (factory setting) and if the instrument's calibrated target gas is CH4 or iC4H10 (select target gas in Gas Select Mode's **GAS COMB** item, calibrate with target gas in User Mode's **GAS CAL** item).

The LIST screen allows you to select a <u>converted</u> target gas based on a CH4 or iC4H10 calibration. It does <u>not</u> change the <u>calibrated</u> target gas. You must go to Gas Select Mode's **GAS COMB** item to change the <u>calibrated</u> target gas.

Selecting a converted target gas in LIST (based on a CH4 or iC4H10 calibration) does not provide the same reading accuracy as selecting a calibrated target gas in Gas Select Mode's GAS COMB item and calibrating with that target gas in User Mode.

Selecting a converted target gas in **LIST** does <u>not</u> mean that the combustible gas sensor will respond <u>only</u> to that gas. The combustible gas sensor responds to a number of gases regardless of the target gas selection.

**NOTE:** If  $H_2$  is selected as the target gas in **LIST**, the sensor will only respond to  $H_2$  and will not respond to any other gas, regardless of the gas listings in Table 10.

If you select a new converted target gas, the change is saved after you turn the instrument off and on.

| Gas                 | Available Co<br>Target Gases<br>Calibrated T<br>(Selected in 0<br>Mode) | s Based on<br>arget Gas | Available<br>Converted Target<br>Gases During HC<br>Gas List Condition |
|---------------------|---|-------------------------|--|
|                     | CH4i-C4H10(methane)(isobutane)  |                         | Gas List Condition   |
| CH4 (methane)       | -   | x                       | 0  |
| i-C4H10 (isobutane) | 0   | -                       | 0  |
| H2 (hydrogen)       | 0   | 0                       | 0  |
| CH3OH (methanol)    | 0   | 0                       | х  |
| C2H2 (acetylene)    | 0   | 0                       | 0  |
| C2H4 (ethylene)     | 0   | 0                       | 0  |
| C2H6 (ethane)       | 0   | х                       | 0  |
| C2H5OH (ethanol)    | 0   | 0                       | х  |

| Table 10: | Available | HC Gas | Conversions |
|-----------|-----------|--------|-------------|
|-----------|-----------|--------|-------------|

| Gas                                | Available Co<br>Target Gase<br>Calibrated T<br>(Selected in<br>Mode) | s Based on<br>Farget Gas | Available<br>Converted Target<br>Gases During HC<br>Gas List Condition |  |
|------------------------------------|--|--------------------------|--|--|
|                                    | CH4<br>(methane)   | i-C4H10<br>(isobutane)   | Gas List Condition   |  |
| C3H6 (propylene)                   | 0  | 0                        | 0  |  |
| C3H6O (acetone)                    | 0  | 0                        | x  |  |
| C3H8 (propane)                     | 0  | X                        | 0  |  |
| C4H6 (butyne)                      | 0  | 0                        | 0  |  |
| C5H10 (cyclopentane)               | 0  | 0                        | 0  |  |
| C6H6 (benzene)                     | 0  | 0                        | x  |  |
| n-C6H14 (hexane)                   | 0  | 0                        | 0  |  |
| C7H8 (toluene)                     | 0  | 0                        | x  |  |
| n-C7H16 (heptane)                  | 0  | 0                        | 0  |  |
| C8H10 (xylene)                     | 0  | 0                        | x  |  |
| n-C9H20 (nonane)                   | 0  | 0                        | x  |  |
| EtAc (ethyl acetate)               | 0  | 0                        | x  |  |
| IPA (isopropyl alcohol)            | 0  | 0                        | x  |  |
| MEK (methyl ethyl ketone)          | 0  | 0                        | x  |  |
| MMA (methyl methacrylate)          | 0  | 0                        | x  |  |
| DME (dimethyl ether)               | 0  | 0                        | x  |  |
| MIBK (methyl isobutyl ketone)      | 0  | 0                        | x  |  |
| THF (tetrahydrofuran)              | 0  | 0                        | x  |  |
| n-C5H12 (N-Pentane)                | 0  | 0                        | 0  |  |
| x = not available<br>O = available |  |                          |  |  |

1. After entering Display Mode, press and release POWER MODE until LIST appears.

| ♥   | 7:49 |  |  |  |  |
|-----|------|--|--|--|--|
| HC  | GAS  |  |  |  |  |
| IST |      |  |  |  |  |

2. Press and release AIR to enter the screen. The current gas flashes at the bottom of the screen.

| ♥        | 7:49        |  |
|----------|-------------|--|
| HC       | GAS         |  |
| SEL<br>I | LECT<br>CH4 |  |

- 3. Use AIR to scroll through the list of gases.
- 4. When the desired gas is displayed, press and release POWER MODE. The changes are saved and the instrument returns to the **LIST** screen.
- 5. The gas formula displays at the bottom of the Measuring Mode screen. The gas selection remains selected if you turn the instrument off and on again.

# Changing the User ID (USER ID)

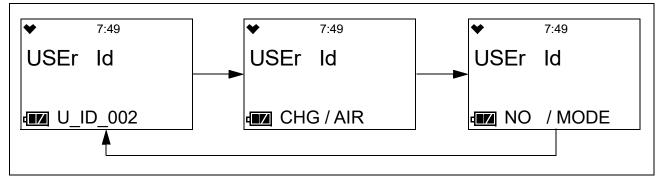
This screen only appears if **DISP SET** in User Mode is set to **ON** (factory setting) and if **ID DISP** in Maintenance Mode is set to **ON** (factory setting is **OFF**).

Use this screen to select a user ID from the 128 user IDs that are stored in the GX-3R's memory. Before a user ID is selected on a brand new instrument, the user ID is "------". The factory-installed user IDs have a "U\_ID\_XXX" format.

The user ID provides a way to identify the GX-3R user during a data logging session.

User IDs can only be <u>selected</u> in this menu item. In order to <u>edit</u> the 128 user IDs, you must use the GX-3R Datalogging Program.

1. After entering Display Mode, press and release POWER MODE until the **USER ID** screen sequence appears.



2. To change the User ID, press and release AIR. The current User ID flashes.

| ♥              | 7:49  |
|----------------|-------|
| USEr           | ld    |
| <b>₫⊠</b> U_II | D_002 |

- 3. Use AIR to scroll to the desired User ID.
- 4. Press and release POWER MODE to save the User ID and return to the USER ID screen in Display Mode.

# Changing the Station ID (STN ID)

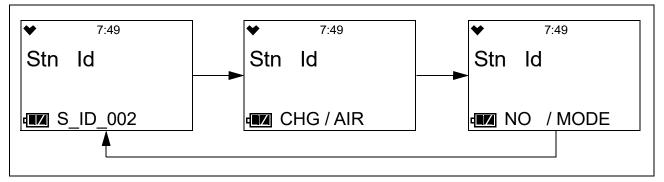
This screen only appears if **DISP.SET** in User Mode is set to **ON** (factory setting) and if **ID DISP** in Maintenance Mode is set to **ON** (factory setting is **OFF**).

Use this screen to select a station ID from the 128 station IDs that are stored in the GX-3R's memory. Before a station ID is selected on a brand new instrument, the station ID is "---------". The factory-installed station IDs have a "S\_ID\_XXX" format.

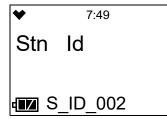
The station ID provides a way to identify the GX-3R location during a data logging session.

Station IDs can only be <u>selected</u> in this menu item. In order to <u>edit</u> the 128 station IDs, you must use the GX-3R Datalogging Program.

1. After entering Display Mode, press and release POWER MODE until the **STN ID** screen sequence appears.



2. To change the station ID, press and release AIR. The current Station ID flashes.



- 3. Use AIR to scroll to the desired station ID.
- 4. Press and release POWER MODE to save the station ID and return to the **STN ID** screen in Display Mode.

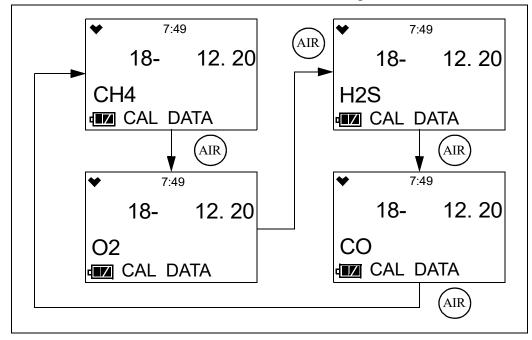
# Last Successful Calibration Date (CAL DATA)

The CAL DATA screen shows the date of each installed sensor's last successful calibration. This screen only appears if CAL.RMDR is set to ON in User Mode.

1. After entering Display Mode, press and release POWER MODE until CAL DATA appears.



2. Press AIR to enter the CAL DATA screen and to scroll through the installed sensors.

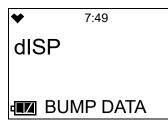


3. When you are done viewing the last calibration date for the sensors, press and release POWER MODE to return to the CAL DATA screen in Display Mode.

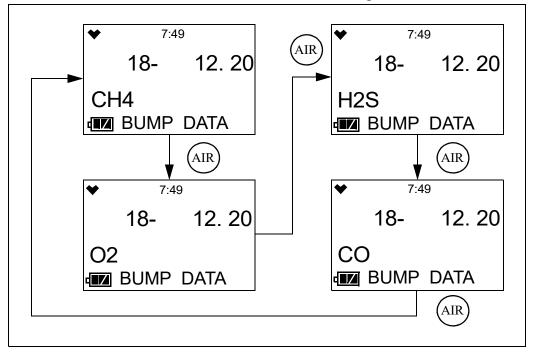
### Last Successful Bump Test Date (BUMP DATA)

The **BUMP DATA** screen shows the date of each installed sensor's last successful bump test. This screen only appears if **BUMP.RMDR** is set to **ON**.

1. After entering Display Mode, press and release POWER MODE until BUMP DATA appears.



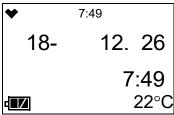
2. Press AIR to enter the **BUMP DATA** screen and to scroll through the installed sensors.



3. When you are done viewing the last bump test date for the sensors, press and release POWER MODE to return to the **BUMP DATA** screen in Display Mode.

#### Date, Time, Temperature Screen (TEMP)

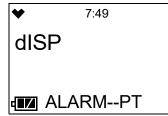
The **TEMP** screen shows the instrument's date and time and the surrounding area's temperature.



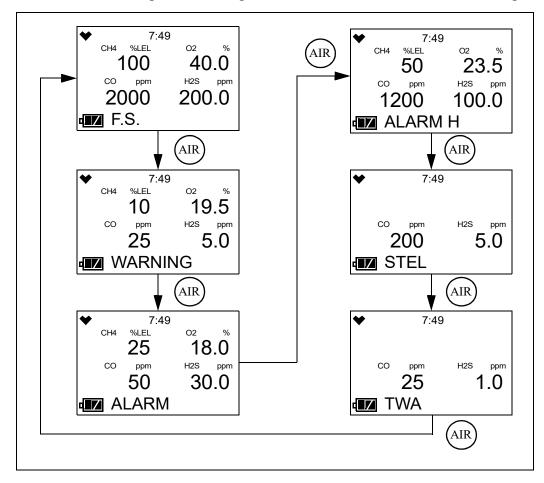
# Alarm Points Screen (ALARM--PT)

The Alarm Points Screen shows the gas alarm settings for all active channels.

1. After entering Display Mode, press and release POWER MODE until ALARM--PT appears.



- 2. Press and release AIR. The Full Scale Settings screen appears and shows full scale settings for each channel.
- 3. Use AIR to scroll through the Warning, Alarm, Alarm H, STEL, and TWA settings.



- 4. While viewing the alarm settings for a particular alarm point, press and release AIR and POWER MODE at the same time to simulate the alarm conditions. The buzzer will sound, the LEDs will flash, and the instrument will vibrate just as it would if the displayed condition was actually happening.
- 5. Press and release POWER MODE to return to the Alarm Points Screen.

# **Chapter 5: User Mode and Calibration**

### **Overview**

This section describes the GX-3R in User Mode. See Table 11 for a list of the items found in User Mode, the page that the menu item's instructions can be found on, and a short description of the menu item.

| User Mode<br>Menu Item | Description           |   |   |  |
|------------------------|-----------------------|---|---|--|
| BUMP (page 59)         | Perform a bump        | test.   |   |  |
|                        | BUMP<br>CYL X         | Perform a bump test on the gases selected for Cylinder X<br>(A-E cylinders available)   |   |  |
|                        | START                 | Begin the wa  | armup sequence and enter Measuring Mode.  |  |
|                        | ESCAPE                | Return to the   | e <b>BUMP</b> menu item.  |  |
| GAS CAL (page 66)      |                       | air adjustment, perform a span adjustment, change the calibration gas<br>et the cylinder group.   |   |  |
|                        | AIR CAL<br>(page 66)  | Perform a fresh air adjustment.   |   |  |
|                        | AUTO CAL<br>(page 67) | AUTO<br>CAL CYL<br>XPerform an automatic span adjustment on the gase<br>selected for Cylinder X (A-E cylinders available).STARTBegin the warmup sequence and enter Measuring<br>Mode. |   |  |
|                        |                       |   |   |  |
|                        |                       | CAL-P Set the calibration gas concentration for each gas.   |   |  |
|                        |                       | CYL SEL   | Assign a cylinder (A-E) to each gas (all 4 gases set<br>to Cylinder A is the default). For single cal opera-<br>tion, you would assign each gas its own cylinder. |  |
|                        |                       | ESCAPE  | Return to the AUTO CAL menu item.   |  |
|                        | ESCAPE                | Return to the GAS CAL menu item.  |   |  |

Table 11: User Mode Menu Items

| Table 11: U | User I | Mode | Menu | Items |
|-------------|--------|------|------|-------|
|-------------|--------|------|------|-------|

| User Mode<br>Menu Item | Description           | Description   |   |  |
|------------------------|-----------------------|---|---|--|
| CAL SET (page 78)      | Change calibrat       | tion parameters   | 5.  |  |
|                        | CAL RMDR<br>(page 78) | ON (factory setting): The instrument notifies the user upon sta<br>when a calibration is due. Notification type depends on CAL<br>EXPD setting below.OFF: No notification upon startup when a calibration is due.   |   |  |
|                        | CAL INT<br>(page 79)  | How often the instrument needs to be calibrated.<br>Options: <b>1 - 1000</b> days (factory setting is <b>90</b> days)   |   |  |
|                        | CAL EXPD<br>(page 79) | <ul> <li>Defines what action must be taken if a calibration is due upon startup.</li> <li><u>CONFIRM (factory setting)</u>: Press and release AIR to acknow edge that calibration is due and continue to Measuring Mode.</li> <li><u>CANT USE</u>: Cannot enter Measuring Mode until a successful ibration is performed.</li> <li><u>NONE</u>: A screen indicates that calibration is due but warmup sequence continues.</li> </ul> |   |  |
|                        | ESCAPE                | Return to the CAL SET menu item in User Mode.   |   |  |
| BUMP SET (page 80)     | Change bump t         | est parameters.   |   |  |
|                        | SETTINGS<br>(page 81) | GAS<br>TIME   | How long gas is applied during a bump test.<br>Choices: <b>30</b> (factory setting), <b>45</b> , <b>60</b> , <b>90</b> seconds  |  |
|                        |                       | CHECK   | Percentage of calibration gas concentration that the<br>bump test reading must be within in order to pass<br>bump.<br>Options: 10%, 20%, 30%, 40%, 50% (factory set-<br>ting) |  |
|                        |                       | CAL<br>TIME   | How long gas is applied during a calibration. GAS<br>TIME is deducted from this time.<br>Options: 90 (factory setting) or 120 seconds   |  |
|                        |                       | AUTO<br>CAL   | ON (factory setting): If a bump test fails, a calibra-<br>tion automatically starts.<br>OFF: If a bump test fails, a calibration does not<br>automatically start.             |  |
|                        |                       | ESCAPE  | Return to the <b>SETTINGS</b> menu item in <b>BUMP SET</b> .  |  |

#### Table 11: User Mode Menu Items

| User Mode<br>Menu Item         | Description                      | Description   |  |  |
|--------------------------------|----------------------------------|---|--|--|
| BUMP SET (page 80)<br>(cont'd) | BUMP.RMDR<br>(page 83)           | <u>ON</u> : The instrument notifies the user upon startup when a bump<br>test is due. Notification type depends on <b>BUMP.EXPD</b> setting<br>below.<br><u>OFF (factory setting)</u> : No notification upon startup when a bump<br>test is due.  |  |  |
|                                | BUMP INT<br>(page 83)            | How often the instrument needs to be bump tested.<br>Options: <b>0</b> - <b>30</b> days (factory setting is <b>30</b> days)   |  |  |
|                                | BUMP.EXPD<br>(page 84)           | Defines what action must be taken if a bump test is due upon<br>startup.<br><u>CONFIRM (factory setting)</u> : Press and release AIR to acknowl-<br>edge that bump test is due and continue to Measuring Mode.<br><u>CANT USE</u> : Cannot enter Measuring Mode until a successful<br>bump test is performed.<br><u>NONE</u> : A screen indicates that bump test is due but warmup<br>sequence continues.   |  |  |
|                                | ESCAPE                           | Return to the <b>BUMP SET</b> menu item in User Mode.   |  |  |
| ALARM-PT (page 85)             | -                                | Set alarm points for all channels (WARNING, ALARM, ALARM H, STEL, TWA) or reset all alarms to their default settings.   |  |  |
| LUNCH (page 88)                | PEAK readings<br>OFF (factory se | ON: Lunch break feature is on. Instrument asks if you want to resume TWA and PEAK readings at startup.<br>OFF (factory setting): Lunch break feature is off. Instrument resets TWA and PEAK readings every time it's turned on.   |  |  |
| BEEP (page 89)                 | Set confirmation                 | i beep parameters.  |  |  |
|                                | BEEP SEL<br>(page 89)            | <ul> <li>LED: LEDs flash and instrument vibrates based on interval defined in BEEP INT to confirm instrument is still operating.</li> <li><u>BUZZER</u>: Buzzer sounds and instrument vibrates based on interval defined in BEEP INT to confirm instrument is still operating.</li> <li><u>LED+BUZZ</u>: LEDs flash, buzzer sounds, and instrument vibrates based on interval defined in BEEP INT to confirm instrument is still operating.</li> <li><u>BUMP/CAL</u>: LEDs flash based on interval defined in BEEP INT if bump test or calibration is due.</li> <li><u>ALM ALRT</u>: LEDs flash based on interval defined in BEEP INT if instrument goes into a gas alarm.</li> <li><u>B/C/ALM</u>: LEDs flash based on interval defined in BEEP INT if a) bump test is due, b) calibration is due, or c) instrument goes into a gas alarm.</li> <li><u>OFF (factory setting)</u>: No alerts to confirm instrument is still operating or that a bump test or calibration is due.</li> </ul> |  |  |

#### Table 11: User Mode Menu Items

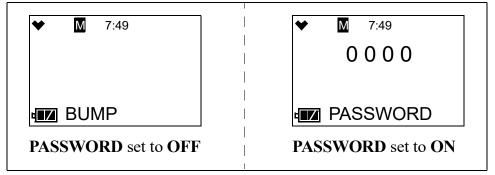
| User Mode<br>Menu Item     | Description   |  |  |
|----------------------------|---|--|--|
| BEEP (page 89)<br>(cont'd) | BEEP INT<br>(page 90)   | Confirmation alert interval. Confirmation type defined in BEEP<br>SEL.<br>Options: <b>0.5</b> minute and <b>1</b> to <b>99</b> minutes in 1 minute increments.<br>The factory setting is <b>5</b> minutes. |  |
|                            | ESCAPE  | Return to the BEEP menu item in User Mode.   |  |
| BL TIME (page 91)          | •   | back light stays on after the last button press.<br>55 seconds or OFF. The factory setting is 30 seconds.  |  |
| KEY TONE (page 91)         | · •   | etting): Buzzer sounds when button is pressed.<br>does not sound when button is pressed.   |  |
| DISP SET (page 92)         | <u>OFF</u> : LIST, USER ID, and STN ID screens do not appear in Display Mode.<br><u>ON (factory setting)</u> : LIST item appears in Display Mode. USER ID and STN ID screens appear if ID DISP in Maintenance Mode is also set to ON. |  |  |
| ZERO SUP (page 92)         | Combustible C<br>$O_2$ : 0.5% volu<br>$H_2S$ : 0.3 ppm<br>CO: 2 ppm   |  |  |
| ZERO.FLWR (page 93)        | ON (factory setting): Not intended for field adjustment. Oxygen channel does notsupport zero follower functionality.NOTE: Only appears if ZFLW.DISP is set to ON in Maintenance Mode.   |  |  |
| DATE (page 93)             | Set the instrument's date and time.   |  |  |
| PASSWORD (page 94)         | <u>ON</u> : User Mode is password-protected. Factory-set password is <b>0405</b> .<br><u>OFF (factory setting)</u> : User Mode is not password-protected.   |  |  |
| ROM/SUM (page 95)          | View the firmware information for the GX-3R's sensor board and main board.  |  |  |
| START (page 95)            | Press and release POWER MODE to begin the warmup sequence and enter Measur-<br>ing Mode.  |  |  |

#### **Entering User Mode**

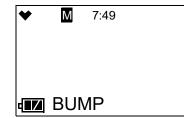
WARNING: The GX-3R is not in operation as a gas detector while in User Mode.

- 1. Take the GX-3R to a non-hazardous location and turn it off if it is on.
- 2. Press and hold AIR, then press and hold POWER MODE. When you hear a beep, release the buttons.
- The screen that appears will depend on the setting of User Mode's PASSWORD item. If PASSWORD is set to OFF (factory setting), continue with Step 6.
   If PASSWORD is set to ON sections with Step 4.

If **PASSWORD** is set to **ON**, continue with Step 4.



- 4. If **PASSWORD** has been set to **ON** in User Mode, a password screen appears. The first digit is flashing.
- 5. Use AIR to select each password number then press POWER MODE to save it and move on to the next number. To go back a number, press and hold AIR and POWER MODE for a few seconds. To reverse the direction of change (ie. from increasing to decreasing or vice versa):
  - a. Press and hold AIR.
  - b. Immediately press POWER MODE and then release both buttons.
- 6. The **BUMP** menu item appears.



- 7.  $\mathbf{M}$  at the top of the screen indicates that the GX-3R is in User Mode.
- 8. Use AIR to move through the User Mode menu items.

### **Tips for Using User Mode**

- To scroll from one menu item to the next, press and release AIR. To reverse the scrolling direction:
  - a. Press and hold AIR.
  - b. Immediately press POWER/MODE and then release both buttons.
  - c. The scrolling direction returns to the original direction when you exit and reenter a menu.
- To skip an item when a question is asked, press and release AIR.
- To enter an item and to save any changes, press and release POWER MODE.
- To change a flashing parameter, press and release AIR. To reverse the direction of change (ie. from increasing to decreasing or vice versa):
  - a. Press and hold AIR.
  - b. Immediately press POWER MODE and then release both buttons.
- To exit an entered menu item without saving a change, press and hold AIR and POWER MODE for a few seconds.

### Performing a Bump Test (BUMP)

Bump test the instrument before each day's use with a known concentration of each target gas. The instrument does not need to be calibrated unless it does not pass the bump test.

To bump test the GX-3R, you will need:

• Known calibrating samples of the gases being detected.

| Channel          | Min. Cal. Gas<br>Concentration | Max. Cal. Gas<br>Concentration |
|------------------|--------------------------------|--------------------------------|
| Combustible Gas  | 5% LEL                         | 75% LEL                        |
| Oxygen           | 0.0%                           | 17.0%                          |
| Hydrogen Sulfide | 1.0 ppm                        | 200.0 ppm                      |
| Carbon Monoxide  | 15 ppm                         | 2,000 ppm                      |

#### Table 12: Calibration Concentration Limits

- 0.25 LPM fixed flow regulator
- Non-absorbent tubing
- Calibration cup
- 1. Confirm that the GX-3R's calibration gas values match the concentrations listed on the calibration gas cylinder(s) as described on page 73.
- 2. Confirm that your cylinder selections are appropriate as described on page 76.

3. Install the calibration cup onto the GX-3R. Use the label and imprinting to make sure that the calibration cup gets installed in the correct orientation relative to the GX-3R. Be sure the calibration cup is pushed on all the way.

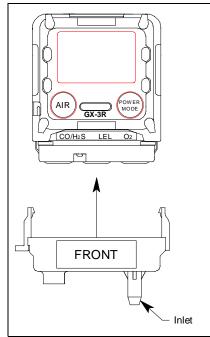
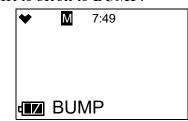
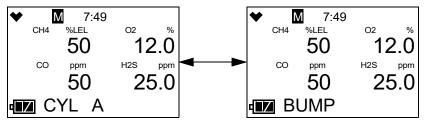


Figure 7: Calibration Cup Installation

- 4. Use the tubing to connect the regulator to the inlet of the calibration cup.
- 5. While in User Mode, press AIR to scroll to **BUMP**.

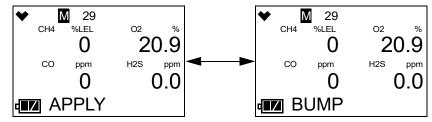


6. Press and release POWER MODE. The display shows the gases assigned to Cylinder A and their assigned calibration values (see page 73 if the calibration values do not match the calibration gas cylinder's concentrations). The bottom of the screen alternates between "CYL A" and "BUMP".

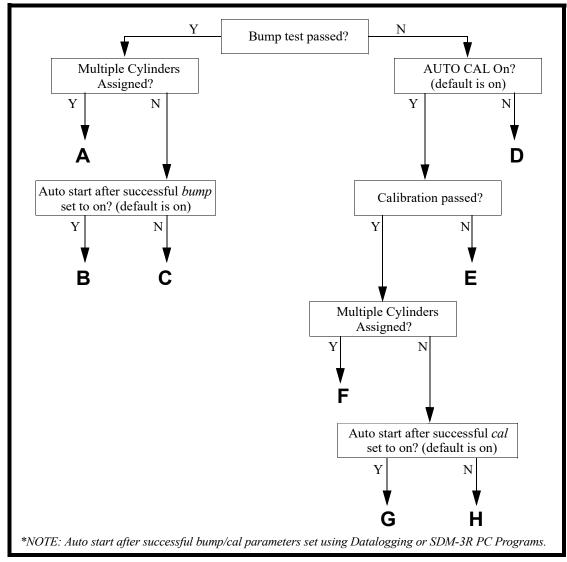


- If necessary, use AIR to scroll to the Bump screen for the gas(es) you want to bump test. As shipped from the factory, combustible gas, O<sub>2</sub>, H<sub>2</sub>S, and CO are assigned to Cylinder A. If a H<sub>2</sub>-compensated CO sensor is installed, H<sub>2</sub> is assigned to Cylinder D but there is no reason to bump test the H<sub>2</sub> response.
- 8. Make sure the GX-3R has been turned on for at least 45 seconds before continuing.

- 9. For toxic gas cylinders (like cylinders containing H<sub>2</sub>S), it is important to vent the regulator while installing it onto the cylinder. Venting the regulator during installation helps prevent air from getting into the cylinder and degrading the gas. Open the regulator by turning the knob counterclockwise and install it onto the cylinder.
- 10. Press and release POWER MODE.
- 11. The gas readings flash, the bottom of the screen alternates between "APPLY" and "BUMP", and the top of the screen counts down from the time set in **BUMP SET\SETTINGS\GAS TIME**.



**NOTE:** To back out of the gas application screen without performing the bump test, press and release AIR and POWER MODE together.



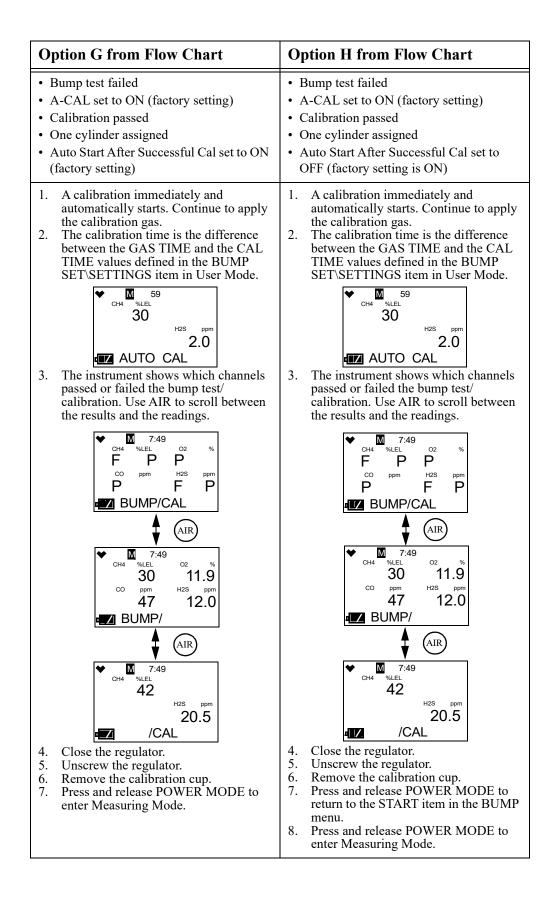
12. At the end of the countdown, the instrument analyzes the results. Follow the flow chart to determine the bump test outcome.

Figure 8: Bump Test Flow Chart

| <b>Option A from Flow Chart</b>   | <b>Option B from Flow Chart</b>   | <b>Option C from Flow Chart</b>  |  |
|---|---|--|--|
| Bump test passed  | Bump test passed  | Bump test passed   |  |
| • Multiple cylinders assigned   | • One cylinder assigned   | • One cylinder assigned  |  |
|   | • Auto Start After Successful Bump set<br>to ON (factory setting)   | • Auto Start After Successful Bump set<br>to OFF (factory setting is ON)   |  |
| <ol> <li>The instrument indicates that all channels passed the bump test. Use AIR to scroll between the bump test results and the bump test gas readings.</li> <li></li></ol> | <ol> <li>The instrument indicates that all channels passed the bump test. Use AIR to scroll between the bump test results and the bump test gas readings.</li> <li></li></ol> | <ul> <li>1. The instrument indicates that all channels passed the bump test. Use AIR to scroll between the bump test results and the bump test gas readings.</li> <li></li></ul> |  |
| 2. Close the regulator.   | 2. Close the regulator.   | 2. Close the regulator.  |  |
| 3. Press and release POWER MODE<br>to move to the <b>BUMP CYL X</b><br>screen for the next cylinder.  | <ol> <li>Unscrew the regulator.</li> <li>Remove the calibration cup.</li> <li>Press and release POWER MODE</li> </ol>   | <ol> <li>Unscrew the regulator.</li> <li>Remove the calibration cup.</li> <li>Press and release POWER MODE</li> </ol>  |  |
| 4. Unscrew the regulator from the first cylinder and screw it into the next cylinder.   | to enter Measuring Mode.  | to return to the <b>START</b> item in the <b>BUMP</b> menu.  |  |
| <ol> <li>S. Repeat Step 9 through Step 12.</li> </ol>   |   | 6. Press and release POWER MODE to enter Measuring Mode.   |  |
| <ul> <li>6. After the last cylinder is bump<br/>tested, press and release POWER<br/>MODE to go to the START item in<br/>the BUMP menu.</li> </ul>                             |   |  |  |
| 7. Remove the calibration cup.  |   |  |  |
| 8. Press and release POWER MODE   |   |  |  |

to enter Measuring Mode.

| <b>Option D from Flow Chart</b>   | <b>Option E from Flow Chart</b>   | <b>Option F from Flow Chart</b>  |
|---|---|--|
| <ul> <li>Bump test failed</li> <li>A-CAL set to OFF (factory setting is ON)</li> </ul>  | <ul> <li>Bump test failed</li> <li>A-CAL set to ON (factory setting)</li> <li>Calibration failed</li> </ul>   | <ul> <li>Bump test failed</li> <li>A-CAL set to ON (factory setting)</li> <li>Calibration passed</li> <li>Multiple cylinders assigned</li> </ul>   |
| <ol> <li>The instrument shows which channels passed or failed the bump test. The LEDs flash and the buzzer sounds. Use AIR to scroll between the results and the readings.</li> <li>Image: Control of the second state of</li></ol> | <ul> <li>1. A calibration immediately and automatically starts. Continue to apply the calibration gas.</li> <li>2. The calibration time is the difference between the GAS TIME and the CAL TIME values defined in the BUMP SET/SETTINGS item in User Mode.</li> <li> <b>SET/SETTINGS</b> item in User Mode. <b>SET/SETTINGS</b> item in User Mode. </li> <li> <b>30 H25 P07 2.0 AUTO CAL</b> </li> <li> <b>3.</b> The instrument shows which channels passed or failed the bump test/ calibration. The LEDs flash and the buzzer sounds. Use AIR to scroll between the results and the readings. </li> <li> <b>SET/SETTINGS F</b></li></ul> | <ol> <li>A calibration immediately and automatically starts. Continue to apply the calibration gas.</li> <li>The calibration time is the difference between the GAS TIME and the CAL TIME values defined in the BUMP SET\SETTINGS item in User Mode.</li> <li>Image: CHA STARE ADDE to go to the START item in the BUMP/CAL</li> <li>The instrument shows which channels passed or failed the bump test/ calibration. Use AIR to scroll between the results and the readings.</li> <li>Image: CHA STARE ADDE TO THE PART ADDE TO THE NEEL CAL STARE ADDE TO THE NEEL CAL ADD</li></ol> |



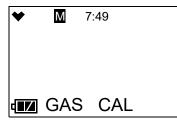
# Performing a Calibration (GAS CAL)

#### **Calibration Notes**

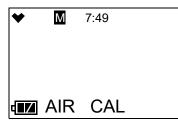
- To fully calibrate the sensors, you must do a fresh air adjustment (AIR CAL) and a span adjustment (AUTO CAL).
- Bump test the instrument before each day's use with a known concentration of each target gas. A bump test can be done in User Mode's **BUMP** item or by applying gas in Measuring Mode. The instrument does not need to be calibrated unless it does not pass the User Mode bump test or does not respond appropriately, as defined by the user, in Measuring Mode.
- The hydrogen response for the H<sub>2</sub>-compensated CO sensor needs to be set both monthly and when the sensor is replaced.

# AIR CAL

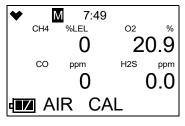
- 1. Find a fresh air environment, an environment of normal oxygen content (20.9%) that is free of toxic and combustible gases.
- 2. While in User Mode, press AIR to scroll to GAS CAL.



3. Press and release POWER MODE. The AIR CAL menu item appears.

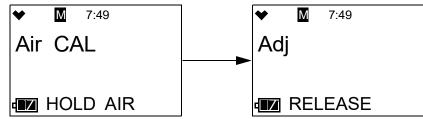


4. Press and release POWER MODE to enter the AIR CAL menu.



5. Make sure the GX-3R has been turned on for at least 45 seconds before continuing.

6. Press and hold AIR until the screen prompts you to release it.



- 7. If the fresh air adjustment passes, the instrument returns to the GAS CAL menu.
- 8. If the fresh air adjustment fails, "FAIL AIR" displays. Press and release POWER MODE to acknowledge the failure. See "Troubleshooting" on page 96.

#### Performing a Span Adjustment in AUTO CAL Preparing for a Span Adjustment

To adjust the span on the GX-3R, you will need the following:

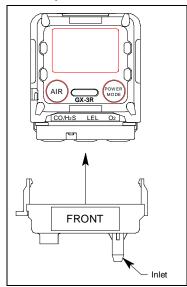
• Known concentrations of the gases being detected

| Channel  | Min. Cal.<br>Concentration | Max. Cal.<br>Concentration |
|--|----------------------------|----------------------------|
| Combustible Gas  | 5% LEL                     | 75% LEL                    |
| Oxygen   | 0.0%                       | 17.0%                      |
| Hydrogen Sulfide   | 1.0 ppm                    | 200.0 ppm                  |
| Carbon Monoxide  | 15 ppm                     | 2,000 ppm                  |
| Hydrogen (for H <sub>2</sub> -compensated CO sensor); sensor needs monthly calibration | 25 ppm                     | 2,000 ppm                  |

#### Table 13: Calibration Concentration Limits

- 0.25 LPM fixed flow regulator
- Non-absorbent tubing
- Calibration cup
- 1. Confirm that the GX-3R's calibration gas values match the concentrations listed on the calibration gas cylinder(s) as described on page 73.
- 2. Confirm that your cylinder selections are appropriate as described on page 76.

3. Install the calibration cup onto the GX-3R. Use the label and imprinting to make sure that the calibration cup gets installed in the correct orientation relative to the GX-3R. Be sure the calibration cup is pushed on all the way.

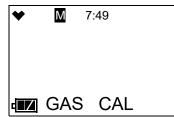


**Figure 9: Calibration Cup Installation** 

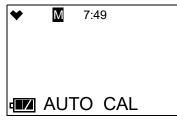
4. Use the tubing to connect the regulator to the inlet of the calibration cup.

#### Performing a Span Adjustment

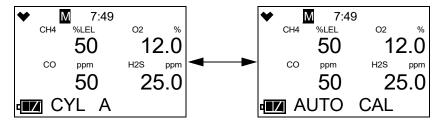
1. While in User Mode, press AIR to scroll to GAS CAL.



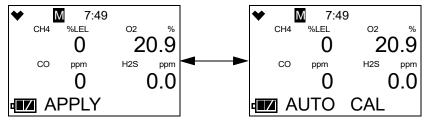
- 2. Press and release POWER MODE. The AIR CAL menu item appears.
- 3. Use AIR to scroll to the AUTO CAL menu item.



4. Press and release POWER MODE. The display shows the gases assigned to Cylinder A and their assigned calibration values (see page 73 if the calibration values do not match the calibration gas cylinder's concentrations). The bottom of the screen alternates between "CYL A" and "AUTO CAL".



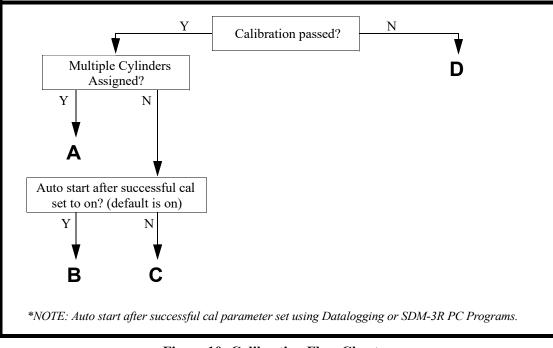
- 5. If necessary, use AIR to scroll to the Auto Cal screen for the gas(es) you want to calibrate. As shipped from the factory, combustible gas, O<sub>2</sub>, H<sub>2</sub>S, and CO are assigned to Cylinder A. If a H<sub>2</sub>-compensated CO sensor is installed, H<sub>2</sub> is assigned to Cylinder D.
- 6. Make sure the GX-3R has been turned on for at least 45 seconds before continuing.
- 7. Press and release POWER MODE.
- 8. The gas readings flash and the bottom of the screen alternates between "APPLY" and "AUTO CAL".



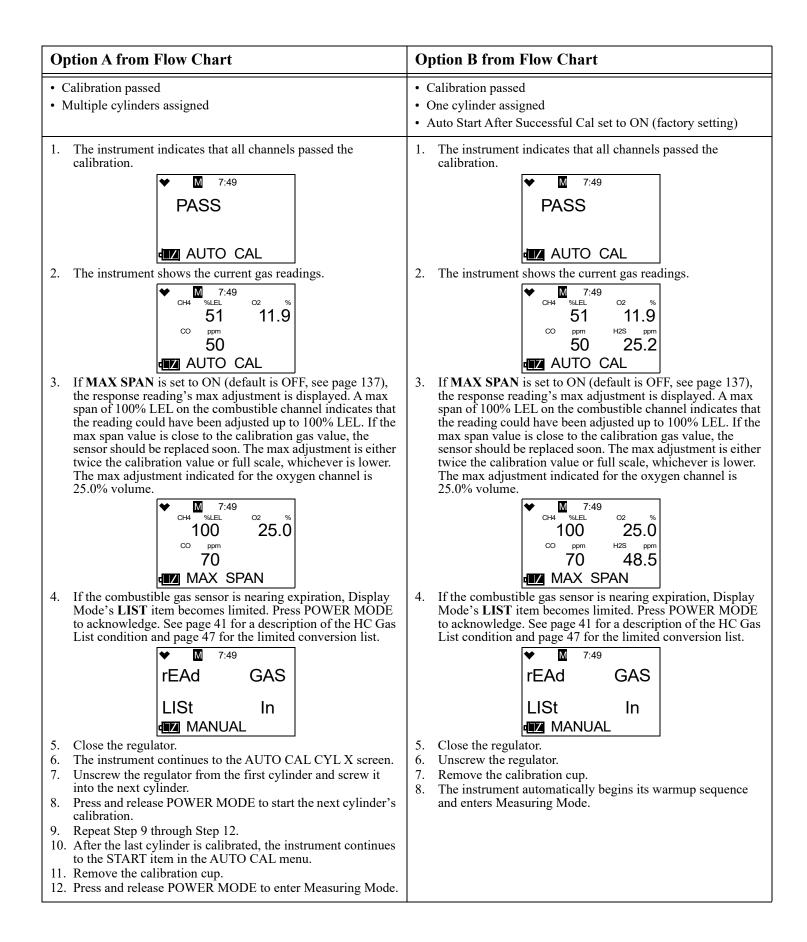
**NOTE:** To back out of the gas application screen without performing the bump test, press and release AIR and POWER MODE together.

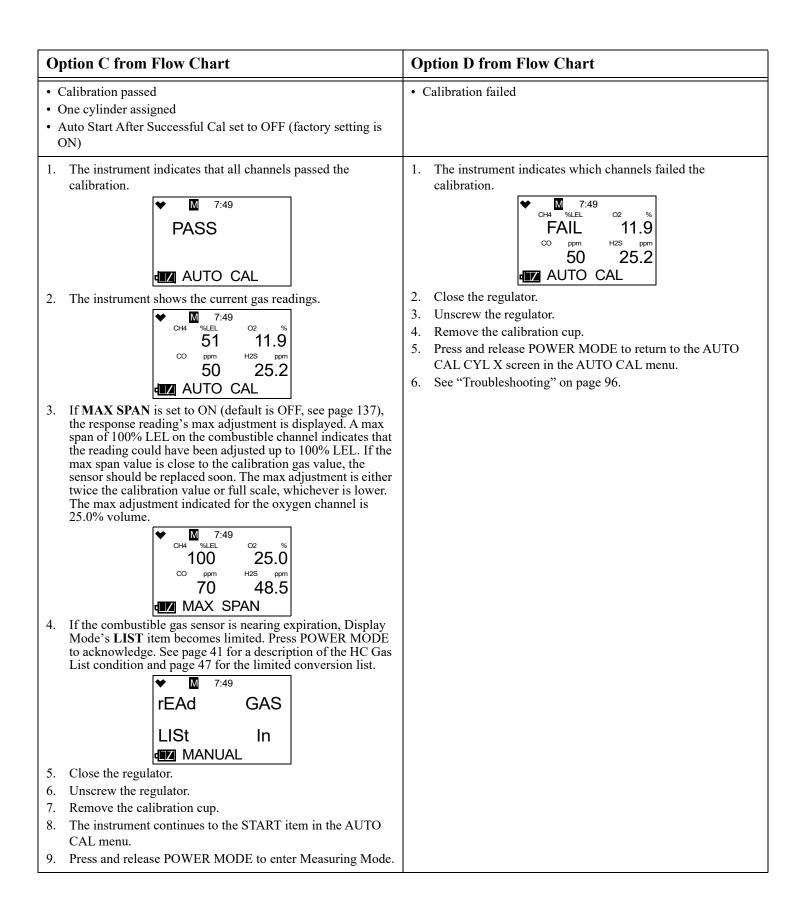
- 9. For toxic gas cylinders (like cylinders containing H<sub>2</sub>S), it is important to vent the regulator while installing it onto the cylinder. Venting the regulator during installation helps prevent air from getting into the cylinder and degrading the gas. Open the regulator by turning the knob counterclockwise and install it onto the cylinder.
- 10. Allow the gas to flow for 1 minute.
- 11. Press and release POWER MODE.

12. Follow the flow chart to determine the calibration outcome.



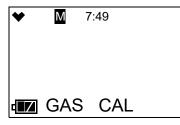
**Figure 10: Calibration Flow Chart** 





#### Setting the Calibration Values in CAL--P

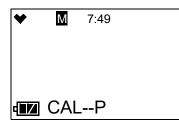
1. While in User Mode, press AIR to scroll to GAS CAL.



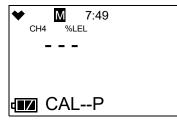
- 2. Press and release POWER MODE. The AIR CAL menu item appears.
- 3. Use AIR to scroll to the AUTO CAL menu item.

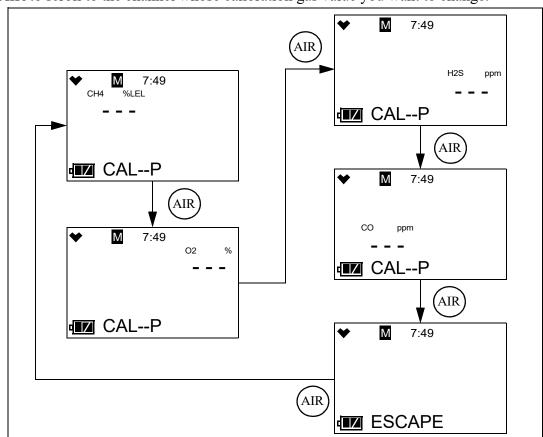
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- 4. Press and release POWER MODE. The Auto Cal screen for gases assigned to Cylinder A appears.
- 5. Use AIR to scroll to CAL--P.



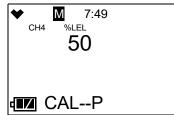
6. Press and release POWER MODE. The combustible gas channel appears.





7. Use AIR to scroll to the channel whose calibration gas value you want to change.

8. Press and release POWER MODE. The calibration value begins to flash. In the example below, the combustible gas channel is selected.



9. Use AIR to adjust the calibration gas value. The calibration gas value in the instrument must match the value listed on the calibration gas cylinder you are using for that channel. Limits on the calibration gas value are shown in Table 14.

| Channel   | Min. Cal.<br>Concentration | Max. Cal.<br>Concentration |
|---|----------------------------|----------------------------|
| Combustible Gas   | 5% LEL                     | 75% LEL                    |
| Oxygen  | 0.0%                       | 17.0%                      |
| Hydrogen Sulfide  | 1.0 ppm                    | 200.0 ppm                  |
| Carbon Monoxide   | 15 ppm                     | 2,000 ppm                  |
| Hydrogen (for $H_2$ -compensated CO sensor); sensor needs monthly calibration | 25 ppm                     | 2,000 ppm                  |

**Table 14: Calibration Concentration Limits** 

- 10. Press and release POWER MODE to save the change. The calibration gas value stops flashing and the unit returns to the channel selection screen.
- 11. Repeat Step 7 through Step 10 for any other channels that need to be changed.
- 12. Use AIR to scroll to **ESCAPE**.
- 13. Press and release POWER MODE. The instrument returns to the CAL--P menu item in the Auto Cal Menu.
- 14. Press AIR to scroll to **ESCAPE**.
- 15. Press and release POWER MODE. The instrument returns to the AUTO CAL menu item in the GAS CAL Menu.
- 16. See "Exiting the GAS CAL Menu" on page 78 to return to User Mode.

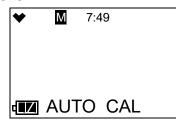
#### Making Cylinder Selections in CYL SEL

The **CYL SEL** menu item allows you to group channels together for calibration. As shipped from the factory, the standard 4 channels (combustible gas,  $O_2$ ,  $H_2S$ , and CO) are assigned to Cylinder A. As shipped from the factory, the  $H_2$  response for the  $H_2$ -compensated CO sensor is assigned to Cylinder D. There are 5 cylinder assignments available: A, B, C, D, and E. To calibrate each channel separately, assign each channel to a different cylinder (ie. Cylinder A: combustible gas, Cylinder B:  $O_2$ , Cylinder C:  $H_2S$ , Cylinder D: CO).

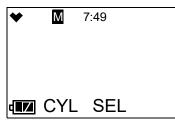
1. While in User Mode, press AIR to scroll to GAS CAL.

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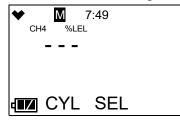
- 2. Press and release POWER MODE. The AIR CAL menu item appears.
- 3. Use AIR to scroll to the AUTO CAL menu item.

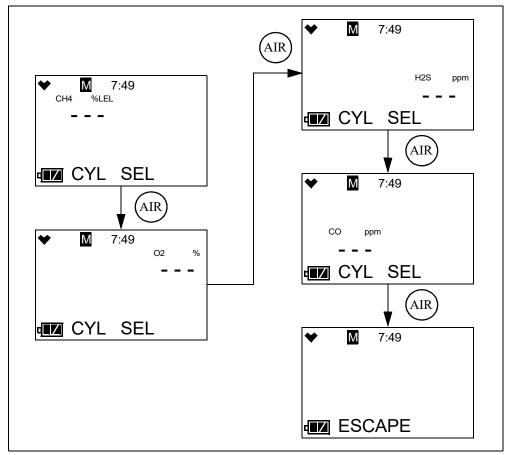


- 4. Press and release POWER MODE. The Auto Cal screen for gases assigned to Cylinder A displays.
- 5. Use AIR to scroll to CYL SEL.



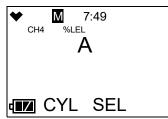
6. Press and release POWER MODE. The combustible gas channel displays.





7. Use AIR to scroll to the channel whose cylinder assignment you want to change.

8. Press and release POWER MODE. The current setting flashes. In the example below, the combustible gas channel is selected.



- 9. Use AIR to change the cylinder assignment. The choices are A, B, C, D, and E.
- 10. Press and release POWER MODE to save the change. The cylinder assignment stops flashing and the unit returns to the channel selection screen.
- 11. Repeat Step 7 through Step 10 for any other channels that need to be changed.
- 12. Use AIR to scroll to **ESCAPE**.
- 13. Press and release POWER MODE. The instrument returns to the **CYL SEL** menu item in the Auto Cal Menu.
- 14. Press AIR to scroll to **ESCAPE**.

- 15. Press and release POWER MODE. The instrument returns to the AUTO CAL menu item in the GAS CAL menu.
- 16. See "Exiting the GAS CAL Menu" on page 78 to return to User Mode.

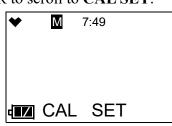
#### Exiting the GAS CAL Menu

- 1. While in the GAS CAL menu, press AIR to scroll to ESCAPE.
- 2. Press and release POWER MODE. The instrument returns to the GAS CAL menu item in User Mode.
- 3. See "Entering Measuring Mode (START)" on page 95 to enter Measuring Mode.

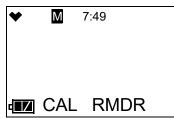
## Setting Calibration Parameters (CAL SET)

The CAL SET menu item has 4 items: CAL RMDR, CAL INT, CAL EXPD, and ESCAPE.

1. While in User Mode, press AIR to scroll to CAL SET.



2. Press and release POWER MODE. The CAL RMDR menu item appears.



#### CAL RMDR

<u>**ON**</u> (factory setting): The GX-3R gives an indication at start up if it is due for calibration. The type of indication depends on the **CAL EXPD** setting (see page 79).

**<u>OFF</u>**: The GX-3R does not give an indication at start up if it is due for calibration.

1. After entering the CAL SET menu, press AIR to scroll to CAL RMDR.

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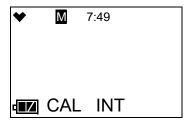
2. Press and release POWER MODE. The current setting flashes.

- 3. Use AIR to display the desired setting.
- 4. Press and release POWER MODE to save the setting and return to the CAL RMDR menu item.
- 5. See "Exiting the CAL SET Menu" on page 80 to return to User Mode.

## CAL INT

This setting defines the amount of time between calibrations. The time can be set in 1 day increments. The minimum setting is 1 day and the maximum setting is 1000 days. The factory setting is 90 days.

1. After entering the CAL SET menu, press AIR to scroll to CAL INT.



- 2. Press and release POWER MODE. The current setting flashes.
- 3. Use AIR to display the desired setting.
- 4. Press and release POWER MODE to save the setting and return to the CAL INT menu item.
- 5. See "Exiting the CAL SET Menu" on page 80 to return to User Mode.

## CAL EXPD

This item defines what indication is given during start up when calibration is due and CAL **RMDR** is set to **ON**.

**<u>CONFIRM</u>** (factory setting): The GX-3R gives an indication at start up if calibration is past due. Press and release AIR to continue without calibrating or press and release POWER MODE to perform a calibration.

<u>CANT USE</u>: The GX-3R gives an indication at start up if calibration is past due. Press and release POWER MODE to enter User Mode and perform a calibration. Pressing AIR has no effect. A successful calibration must be performed in order to use the instrument.

**<u>NONE</u>**: The GX-3R gives an indication at startup if calibration is past due. If desired, press POWER MODE to perform a calibration but it is not necessary to acknowledge the calibration due indication. The warm-up sequence will continue on its own.

1. After entering the CAL SET menu, press AIR to scroll to CAL EXPD.

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- 2. Press and release POWER MODE. The current setting flashes.
- 3. Use AIR to display the desired setting.
- 4. Press and release POWER MODE to save the setting and return to the CAL EXPD menu item.
- 5. See "Exiting the CAL SET Menu" on page 80 to return to User Mode.

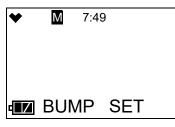
#### Exiting the CAL SET Menu

- 1. While in the CAL SET menu, press AIR to scroll to ESCAPE.
- 2. Press and release POWER MODE. The instrument returns to the CAL SET menu item in User Mode.
- 3. See "Entering Measuring Mode (START)" on page 95 to enter Measuring Mode.

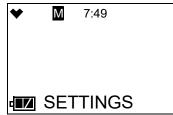
## Setting Bump Test Parameters (BUMP SET)

The BUMP SET menu item has 5 items: SETTINGS, BUMP.RMDR, BUMP INT, BUMP.EXPD, and ESCAPE.

1. While in User Mode, press AIR to scroll to **BUMP SET**.



2. Press and release POWER MODE. The SETTINGS menu item appears.



## SETTINGS

The SETTINGS menu item has 5 items: GAS TIME, CHECK, CAL TIME, AUTO CAL, and ESCAPE.

1. After entering the **BUMP SET** menu, press AIR to scroll to **SETTINGS**.



2. Press and release POWER MODE. The GAS TIME menu item appears.

#### GAS TIME

The GAS TIME is the amount of time that the instrument is exposed to gas during a bump test. The available choices are 30 seconds (factory setting), 45 seconds, 60 seconds, and 90 seconds.

1. After entering the **BUMP SET\SETTINGS** menu, press AIR to scroll to **GAS TIME**.

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- 2. Press and release POWER MODE. The current setting flashes.
- 3. Use AIR to display the desired setting.
- 4. Press and release POWER MODE to save the setting and return to the **GAS TIME** menu item.
- 5. See "Exiting the SETTINGS Menu" on page 83 to return to the **BUMP SET** menu.
- 6. See "Exiting the BUMP SET Menu" on page 84 to return to User Mode.

#### <u>CHECK</u>

**CHECK** is the bump test tolerance value and is represented as a percentage of the calibration gas concentration. It is the percentage that the bump test reading can differ from the actual gas concentration and still be considered a passed bump test. If the bump test reading differs more, the bump test will fail. The available values are 10%, 20%, 30%, 40%, and 50% (factory setting).

1. After entering the **BUMP SET\SETTINGS** menu, press AIR to scroll to **CHECK**.

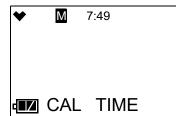
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- 2. Press and release POWER MODE. The current setting flashes.
- 3. Use AIR to display the desired setting.
- 4. Press and release POWER MODE to save the setting and return to the CHECK menu item.
- 5. See "Exiting the SETTINGS Menu" on page 83 to return to the **BUMP SET** menu.
- 6. See "Exiting the BUMP SET Menu" on page 84 to return to User Mode.

#### CAL TIME

The CAL TIME is the total time the instrument is exposed to calibration gas when a bump test fails if AUTO CAL is set to ON. The bump test time is deducted from the calibration time. For example, if the CAL TIME is set to 90 seconds and the GAS TIME is set to 30 seconds, if the bump test fails, the GX-3R will only be exposed to gas for an additional 60 seconds. The available values are 90 seconds (factory setting), and 120 seconds.

1. After entering the **BUMP SET\SETTINGS** menu, press AIR to scroll to **CAL TIME**.



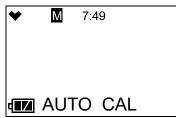
- 2. Press and release POWER MODE. The current setting flashes.
- 3. Use AIR to display the desired setting.
- 4. Press and release POWER MODE to save the setting and return to the CAL TIME menu item.
- 5. See "Exiting the SETTINGS Menu" on page 83 to return to the **BUMP SET** menu.
- 6. See "Exiting the BUMP SET Menu" on page 84 to return to User Mode.

#### AUTO CAL

<u>**ON**</u> (factory setting): If a bump test fails, the unit automatically begins a calibration.

**<u>OFF</u>**: If a bump test fails, the unit does not automatically begin a calibration.

1. After entering the BUMP SET\SETTINGS menu, press AIR to scroll to AUTO CAL.



- 2. Press and release POWER MODE. The current setting flashes.
- 3. Use AIR to display the desired setting.

- 4. Press and release POWER MODE to save the setting and return to the AUTO CAL menu item.
- 5. See "Exiting the SETTINGS Menu" on page 83 to return to the **BUMP SET** menu.
- 6. See "Exiting the BUMP SET Menu" on page 84 to return to User Mode.

#### Exiting the SETTINGS Menu

- 1. While in the **BUMP SET\SETTINGS** menu, press AIR to scroll to **ESCAPE**.
- 2. Press and release POWER MODE. The instrument returns to the **SETTINGS** menu item of the **BUMP SET** menu.

## BUMP.RMDR

<u>ON</u>: The GX-3R gives an indication at start up if it is due for bump testing. The type of indication depends on the **BUMP.EXPD** setting (see page 84).

**OFF** (factory setting): The GX-3R does not give an indication at start up if it is due for bump testing.

1. After entering the **BUMP SET** menu, press AIR to scroll to **BUMP.RMDR**.

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- 2. Press and release POWER MODE. The current setting flashes.
- 3. Use AIR to display the desired setting.
- 4. Press and release POWER MODE to save the setting and return to the **BUMP.RMDR** menu item.
- 5. See "Exiting the BUMP SET Menu" on page 84 to return to User Mode.

## BUMP INT

This setting defines the amount of time between bump tests. The time can be set in 1 day increments. The minimum setting is 0 days and the maximum setting is 30 days (factory setting).

1. After entering the BUMP SET menu, press AIR to scroll to BUMP INT.

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2. Press and release POWER MODE. The current setting flashes.

- 3. Use AIR to display the desired setting.
- 4. Press and release POWER MODE to save the setting and return to the **BUMP INT** menu item.
- 5. See "Exiting the BUMP SET Menu" on page 84 to return to User Mode.

#### BUMP.EXPD

This item defines what indication is given during start up when a bump test is due and **BUMP.RMDR** is set to **ON**.

**<u>CONFIRM</u>** (factory setting): The GX-3R gives an indication at start up if a bump test is past due. Press and release AIR to continue without bump testing or press and release POWER MODE to perform a bump test.

<u>CANT USE</u>: The GX-3R gives an indication at start up if a bump test is past due. Press and release POWER MODE to enter User Mode and perform a bump test. Pressing AIR has no effect. A successful bump test must be performed in order to use the instrument.

**<u>NONE</u>**: The GX-3R gives an indication at startup if a bump test is past due. If desired, press POWER MODE to perform a bump test but it is not necessary to acknowledge the bump test due indication. The warm-up sequence will continue on its own.

1. After entering the **BUMP SET** menu, press AIR to scroll to **BUMP.EXPD**.

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- 2. Press and release POWER MODE. The current setting flashes.
- 3. Use AIR to display the desired setting.
- 4. Press and release POWER MODE to save the setting and return to the **BUMP.EXPD** menu item.
- 5. See "Exiting the BUMP SET Menu" on page 84 to return to User Mode.

#### Exiting the BUMP SET Menu

- 1. While in the **BUMP SET** menu, press AIR to scroll to **ESCAPE**.
- 2. Press and release POWER MODE. The instrument returns to the **BUMP SET** menu item in User Mode.
- 3. See "Entering Measuring Mode (START)" on page 95 to enter Measuring Mode.

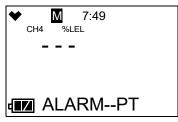
## Alarm Settings (ALARM--PT)

The ALARM--PT menu item has 3 items: ALARM--PT, DEF--ALMP, and ESCAPE.

1. While in User Mode, press AIR to scroll to ALARM--PT.

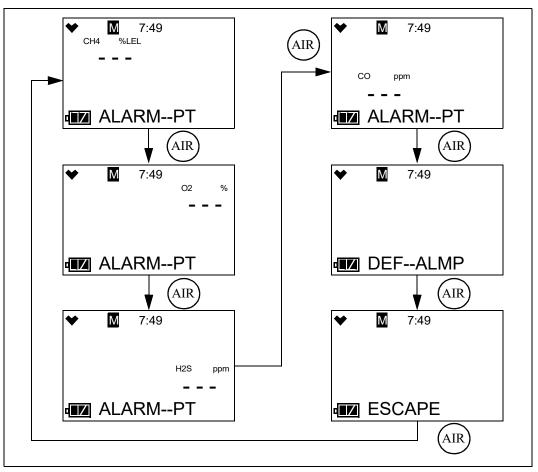


2. Press and release POWER MODE. The first channel displays.

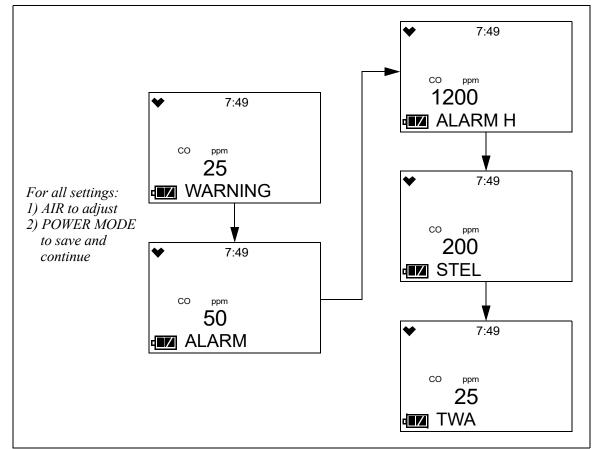


#### Setting the Alarm Points

1. After entering the Alarm Points menu item, press AIR to scroll through to the instrument channel whose alarm points you want to change.



2. Press and release POWER MODE.



3. The Warning setpoint for the channel flashes. In the example below, the CO channel is selected.

4. Use AIR to adjust the Warning setpoint. Alarm setpoint limitations are shown below.

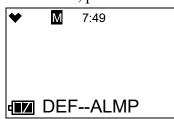
| Channel          | Alarm Point Limitations  |
|------------------|--|
| Combustible Gas  | $1\% \text{ LEL} \leq \text{WARNING} \leq \text{ALARM} \leq \text{ALARM H} \leq 60\% \text{ LEL}$  |
| 0 <sub>2</sub>   | • $0.0\% \leq ALARM \leq WARNING \leq 20.0\%$  |
|                  | • $21.8\% \le ALARM H \le 40.0\%$  |
| H <sub>2</sub> S | $0.5 \text{ ppm} \leq \text{WARNING} \leq \text{ALARM} \leq \text{ALARM H} \leq 200.0 \text{ ppm}$ |
| СО               | $12 \text{ ppm} \leq \text{WARNING} \leq \text{ALARM} \leq \text{ALARM H} \leq 2000 \text{ ppm}$   |

- 5. Press and release POWER MODE to save the setting.
- 6. Repeat Step 4 and Step 5 for the Alarm, Alarm H, STEL (CO and H<sub>2</sub>S only), and TWA (CO and H<sub>2</sub>S only) settings.
- 7. The instrument returns to the channel selection screen.
- 8. Repeat Step 1 Step 7 to change the alarm points for other channels.
- 9. See "ESCAPE" on page 88 to return to User Mode.

#### **Defaulting the Alarm Points**

Defaulting the alarm points defaults them back to factory settings as outlined in Table 1 on page 10 or to the settings saved in the **SAVE-AP** menu item in Gas Select Mode if you have performed a **SAVE-AP** operation.

1. After entering the Alarm Points menu item, press AIR to scroll to **DEF-ALMP**.



- 2. Press POWER MODE to enter the **DEF-ALMP** menu item.
- 3. Press POWER MODE to perform an alarm default. Press AIR to return to the **DEF-ALMP** menu item.
- 4. The instrument asks if you're sure you want to default the alarm points. Press POWER MODE to default the alarm points. Press AIR to return to the **DEF-ALMP** menu item.
- 5. See "ESCAPE" on page 88 to return to User Mode.

#### ESCAPE

- 1. While in the ALARM-P menu, press AIR to scroll to ESCAPE.
- 2. Press and release POWER MODE. The instrument returns to the ALARM--PT menu item.
- 3. See "Entering Measuring Mode (START)" on page 95 to enter Measuring Mode.

## **Updating the Lunch Break Setting (LUNCH)**

**OFF** (factory setting): The GX-3R automatically starts new TWA and PEAK reading collection and resets the time in operation at startup.

<u>ON</u>: The Lunch Break Screen displays during startup. From this screen, you can choose to continue accumulating TWA and PEAK readings and the time in operation from the last time the GX-3R was used or start collecting new readings and reset the time in operation.

1. While in User Mode, press AIR to scroll to LUNCH.

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- 2. Press and release POWER MODE. The current setting flashes.
- 3. Use AIR to display the desired setting.

- 4. Press and release POWER MODE to save the setting and return to the LUNCH menu item.
- 5. See "Entering Measuring Mode (START)" on page 95 to enter Measuring Mode.

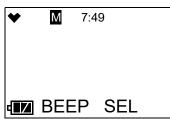
# Setting the Confirmation Beep and Non-Compliance Indicator (BEEP)

The BEEP menu item has 3 items: BEEP SEL, BEEP INT, and ESCAPE.

1. While in User Mode, press AIR to scroll to **BEEP**.

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2. Press and release POWER MODE. The BEEP SEL menu item appears.



#### **BEEP SEL**

**BEEP SEL** defines what kind of confirmation or non-compliance indication you want to occur in Measuring Mode. The available choices are:

<u>OFF (factory setting)</u>: The GX-3R does not provide a confirmation alert or non-compliance indicator.

**LED**: The GX-3R's LEDs double flash as often as defined by the **BEEP INT** parameter to verify that the instrument is operating.

**<u>BUZZER</u>**: The GX-3R's buzzer double beeps as often as defined by the **BEEP INT** parameter to verify that the instrument is operating.

**LED+BUZZ**: The GX-3R's LEDs double flash and the buzzer double beeps as often as defined by the **BEEP INT** parameter to verify that the instrument is operating.

**<u>BUMP/CAL</u>**: If a bump test or a calibration is due and if **BUMP.EXPD** or **CAL EXPD** is set to **CONFIRM** or **NONE**, the GX-3R's LEDs double flash as often as defined by the **BEEP INT** parameter to indicate a non-compliance. Once a bump test or calibration (depending on which is due) is done, the LEDs stop flashing.

<u>ALM ALRT</u>: If the instrument goes into any gas alarm, the LEDs double flash as often as defined by the **BEEP INT** parameter to indicate a non-compliance. Once a successful bump test or calibration is done, the LEDs stop flashing.

- **NOTE:** Depending on the **Need to get Bump Log** setting (only accessed via SDM-3R program), a data download may also be needed to clear the non-compliance.
- <u>**B/C/ALM**</u>: The LEDs double flash to indicate a non-compliance if any of the following happens.
  - a. **BUMP.EXPD** is set to **CONFIRM** or **NONE** and a bump test is due (cleared by successful bump test).
  - b. **CAL EXPD** is set to **CONFIRM** or **NONE** and a calibration is due (cleared by successful calibration).
  - c. The instrument goes into any gas alarm (cleared by successful bump test or calibration).

**NOTE:** Depending on the **Need to get Bump Log** setting (only accessed via SDM-3R program), a data download may also be needed to clear the gas alarm non-compliance.

1. While in the **BEEP** menu, press AIR to scroll to **BEEP SEL**.

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- 2. Press and release POWER MODE. The current setting flashes.
- 3. Use AIR to display the desired setting.
- 4. Press and release POWER MODE to save the setting and return to the **BEEP SEL** menu item.
- 5. See "ESCAPE" on page 91 to return to User Mode.

## BEEP INT

The **BEEP INT** parameter defines how often the confirmation alert or non-compliance indicator selected in **BEEP SEL** occurs. This setting only applies if the **BEEP SEL** parameter is set to something other than **OFF**. The available choices are **0.5** minutes and **1-99** minutes in 1 minute increments. The factory setting is **5** minutes.

1. While in the **BEEP** menu, press AIR to scroll to **BEEP INT**.

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2. Press and release POWER MODE. The current setting flashes.

- 3. Use AIR to display the desired setting.
- 4. Press and release POWER MODE to save the setting and return to the **BEEP INT** menu item.
- 5. See "ESCAPE" on page 91 to return to User Mode.

#### ESCAPE

- 1. While in the **BEEP** menu, press AIR to scroll to **ESCAPE**.
- 2. Press and release POWER MODE. The instrument return to the **BEEP** menu item.
- 3. See "Entering Measuring Mode (START)" on page 95 to enter Measuring Mode.

## Updating the Backlight Time (BL TIME)

This setting defines how long the LCD backlight stays on when you press any button. The minimum setting is **OFF**; the maximum setting is **255** seconds. The factory setting is **30** seconds.

1. While in User Mode, press AIR to scroll to **BL TIME**.

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- 2. Press and release POWER MODE. The current setting flashes.
- 3. Use AIR to display the desired setting.
- 4. Press and release POWER MODE to save the setting and return to the BL TIME menu item.
- 5. See "Entering Measuring Mode (START)" on page 95 to enter Measuring Mode.

## Turning the Key Tone On/Off (KEY TONE)

ON (factory setting): The instrument beeps when a button is pressed.

OFF: The instrument does not beep when a button is pressed.

1. While in User Mode, press AIR to scroll to **KEY TONE**.

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2. Press and release POWER MODE. The current setting flashes.

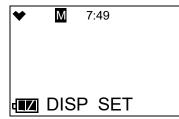
- 3. Use AIR to display the desired setting.
- 4. Press and release POWER MODE to save the setting and return to the **KEY TONE** menu item.
- 5. See "Entering Measuring Mode (START)" on page 95 to enter Measuring Mode.

## **Display Mode Items (DISP SET)**

OFF: LIST, USER ID, and STN ID items do not appear in Display Mode.

<u>ON (factory setting)</u>: LIST item appears in Display Mode. USER ID and STATION ID screens appear in Display Mode if ID DISP in Maintenance Mode is also set to ON (factory setting is OFF).

1. While in User Mode, press AIR to scroll to **DISP SET**.



- 2. Press and release POWER MODE. The current setting flashes.
- 3. Use AIR to display the desired setting.
- 4. Press and release POWER MODE to save the setting and return to the **DISP SET** menu item.
- 5. See "Entering Measuring Mode (START)" on page 95 to enter Measuring Mode.

# Zero Suppression (ZERO SUP)

This menu item only appears if **ZSUP.DISP** is set to **ON** in Maintenance Mode (factory setting is **OFF**).

The **ZERO SUP** setting is not intended for field adjustment. The default setting for each sensor is **ON**.

| Sensor           | Zero Suppression<br>Value |
|------------------|---------------------------|
| Combustible Gas  | 2% LEL                    |
| 0 <sub>2</sub>   | 0.5% volume               |
| H <sub>2</sub> S | 0.3 ppm                   |
| СО               | 2 ppm                     |

## Zero Follower (ZERO.FLWR)

This menu item only appears if **ZFLW.DISP** is set to **ON** in Maintenance Mode (factory setting is **OFF**).

The **ZERO.FLWR** setting is not intended for field adjustment. The default setting is **ON**. The oxygen channel does not support zero follower functionality.

## Setting the Date/Time (DATE)

1. From the main menu, place the cursor next to **DATE**.

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2. Press and release POWER MODE. The date and time display with the year flashing.

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- 3. Use AIR to display the desired year.
- 4. Press and release POWER MODE to save the setting. The month setting flashes.
- 5. Repeat Step 3 and Step 4 to enter the month, day, hours, and minutes settings. The date and time are saved and the instrument returns to the **DATE** menu item.
- 6. See "Entering Measuring Mode (START)" on page 95 to enter Measuring Mode.

## Turning the Password On/Off (PASSWORD)

<u>ON</u>: The GX-3R prompts you for a password when you enter User Mode. The factory-set password is **0405** but it can be changed as desired.

OFF (factory setting): No password is required to enter User Mode.

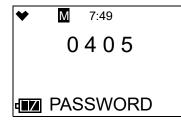
1. While in User Mode, press AIR to scroll to **PASSWORD**.

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- 2. Press and release POWER MODE. The current setting flashes.
- 3. Use AIR to display the desired setting.
- 4. If you selected **OFF**, press and release POWER MODE to save the setting and return to the **PASSWORD** item in User Mode.

If you selected **ON**, continue with Step 5.

5. Press and release POWER MODE. The Set Password Screen appears. The current password appears and the first digit flashes.

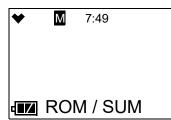


- 6. Use AIR to display a number from 0 to 9.
- 7. Press and release POWER MODE to enter the selection and advance to the next number. To go back a number, press and hold AIR and POWER MODE for a few seconds.
- 8. Repeat Step 6 and Step 7 to select the remaining numbers. When you press and release POWER MODE to enter the last number, the password is saved and you return to the **PASSWORD** item in User Mode.
- 9. See "Entering Measuring Mode (START)" on page 95 to enter Measuring Mode.

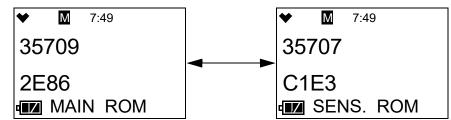
## Viewing the ROM/SUM (ROM/SUM)

The ROM/SUM screen shows the instrument's firmware version and firmware checksum.

1. While in User Mode, press AIR to scroll to **ROM/SUM**.



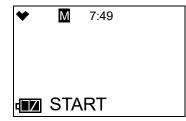
2. Press and release POWER MODE. The screen cycles through the main board's ROM/SUM and the sensor board's ROM/SUM. The ROM is the top value and the SUM is the bottom value.



- 3. Press and release POWER MODE to return to the **ROM/SUM** menu item in User Mode.
- 4. See "Entering Measuring Mode (START)" on page 95 to enter Measuring Mode.

## **Entering Measuring Mode (START)**

1. While in User Mode, press AIR to scroll to START.



2. Press and release POWER MODE. The instrument begins its warmup sequence.

# **Chapter 6: Maintenance**

#### **Overview**

This chapter describes troubleshooting procedures for the GX-3R. It also includes procedures for instrument cleaning, recharging the batteries, and replacing various consumable parts.

WARNING: If the enclosure is damaged it shall be repaired before further use.

WARNING: RKI Instruments, Inc. recommends that service, calibration, and repair of RKI instruments be performed by personnel properly trained for this work. Replacing sensors and other parts with original equipment does not affect the intrinsic safety of the instrument.

*WARNING:* This product is an explosion-proof product and is not to be disassembled or modified with the exception of specified parts.

#### Troubleshooting

Table 15 describes error messages, symptoms, probable causes, and recommended action for problems you may encounter with the GX-3R.

| Symptoms  | Probable Causes  | Recommended Action   |
|---|--|--|
| • The LCD is blank.   | <ul><li> The unit may have been turned off.</li><li> The batteries may need to be recharged.</li></ul>   | <ol> <li>To turn on the unit, press and briefly<br/>hold POWER MODE.</li> <li>If the unit does not turn on, recharge<br/>the batteries.</li> <li>If the difficulties continue, contact<br/>RKI Instruments, Inc. for further<br/>instruction.</li> </ol>   |
| • The LCD shows<br>abnormally high or<br>low readings but<br>other gas detection<br>instruments do not. | <ul> <li>The filters may need to be replaced.</li> <li>The GX-3R may need to be recalibrated.</li> <li>The sensor for the affected channel(s) may need replacement.</li> </ul> | <ol> <li>Replace the filters.</li> <li>Recalibrate the unit.</li> <li>If the difficulties continue, replace<br/>the sensor for the affected<br/>channel(s) and calibrate the affected<br/>channel(s).</li> <li>If the difficulties continue, contact<br/>RKI Instruments, Inc. for further<br/>instruction.</li> </ol> |

Table 15: Troubleshooting the GX-3R

| Symptoms   | Probable Causes  | Recommended Action   |
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| Calibration fails.   | <ul> <li>The calibration values may<br/>not match the cylinder gas<br/>concentrations.</li> <li>The charcoal filter or<br/>charcoal half of the dual filter<br/>is saturated causing an<br/>elevated CO reading.</li> <li>The sample gas is not<br/>reaching the sensors because<br/>of a bad connection.</li> <li>The calibration cylinder may<br/>be out of gas or is outdated.</li> <li>The sensor for the affected<br/>channel(s) may need<br/>replacement.</li> </ul> | <ol> <li>Make sure the GX-3R has been<br/>properly set up for calibration.</li> <li>Change the charcoal filter or the<br/>dual filter.</li> <li>Check all calibration tubing for<br/>leaks or for any bad connections.</li> <li>Verify that the calibration cylinder<br/>contains an adequate supply of fresh<br/>test sample.</li> <li>If the fail condition continues,<br/>replace the sensor(s).</li> <li>If the difficulties continue, contact<br/>RKI Instruments, Inc. for further<br/>instruction.</li> </ol> |
| • Heart symbol at the<br>top of the screen<br>becomes steadily on<br>or disappears | • A microprocessor error has occurred.   | • Contact RKI Instruments, Inc. for further instruction.   |
| Charge LED<br>alternates between<br>green and orange                               | • Charging environment is<br>outside the allowed 0 - 40°C<br>charging temperature range.   | • Move the charger to a location that is<br>within the allowed 0 - 40°C charging<br>temperature range.   |

 Table 15: Troubleshooting the GX-3R

## **Instrument Cleaning**

Clean the GX-3R with a cloth dampened with water if it becomes excessively dirty. Do <u>not</u> use alcohol or other cleaning solvents.

# **Recharging the Batteries**

| AVERTISSEMENT: | Do not charge batteries in a hazardous location. Do not charge the unit<br>with a non-genuine charger. Charge only with RKI charger p/n 49-0133<br>or 49-0134. Use of other chargers will void the warranty.   |  |
|----------------|--|--|
| AVERTISSEMENT: | Ne chargez pas les batteries dans un endroit dangereux. Ne chargez pas<br>l'appareil avec un chargeur qui n'est pas d'origine. Chargez<br>uniquement avec le chargeur RKI réf. 49-0133 ou 49-0134. L'utilisation<br>d'autres chargeurs annulera la garantie. |  |

Recharge the batteries when the battery icon indicates that the unit is in low battery warning. When in low battery warning, the lowest battery level indication bar disappears and the battery icon flashes.

- 1. Make sure the GX-3R is off.
- 2. Plug the AC adapter into an electrical outlet.
- 3. Plug the charging jack straight into the GX-3R's charging socket from the top. When properly connected, a green LED turns on at the top of the GX-3R.

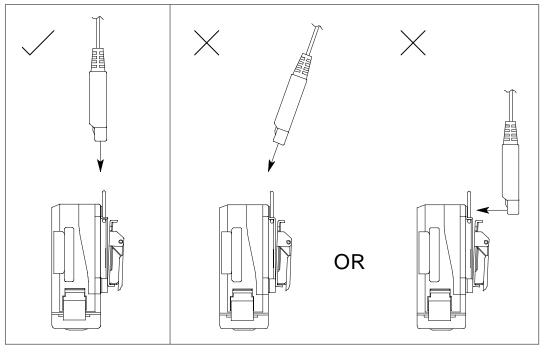


Figure 11: Connecting the Charging Cable

4. The LED at the top of the GX-3R turns orange while charging. When a full charge has been reached, approximately 3 hours, the LED turns green.

5. Pull the charging jack straight out of the GX-3R's charging socket.

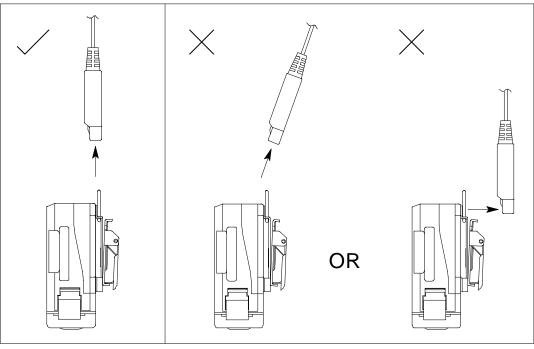


Figure 12: Removing the Charging Cable

6. Turn on the GX-3R and confirm that it starts up.

## **Replacing the Buzzer Cover**

The buzzer cover may need to be replaced if it becomes saturated or clogged with particles.

- 1. Remove the rubber boot from the GX-3R.
- 2. Peel off the old buzzer cover located between the AIR and POWER MODE buttons.
- 3. If necessary, clean any remaining residue from the case.
- 4. Peel the backing off of the new buzzer cover.

5. Install the new buzzer cover between the AIR and POWER MODE buttons as shown below.

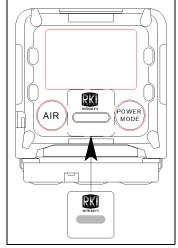


Figure 13: Buzzer Cover Replacement

6. Reinstall the rubber boot.

#### **Replacing the Sensor Filters**

*CAUTION:* The buzzer cover, sensors, and filters are the only user-serviceable parts in the GX-3R. Do not replace or modify any other part.

#### Combustible Gas Sensor Filter

The H<sub>2</sub>S filter disk is dark red in color and although it may darken over time, its color is not indicative of remaining filter life. The H<sub>2</sub>S filter disk can absorb H<sub>2</sub>S for 33 ppm hours and should be replaced after that much exposure. With this many ppm hours of absorption, the H<sub>2</sub>S filter disk should be replaced after 80 minutes of exposure to 25 ppm H<sub>2</sub>S. This equates to replacing the H<sub>2</sub>S filter disk after 40 2-minute calibrations with a cylinder containing 25 ppm H<sub>2</sub>S. If H<sub>2</sub>S exists in the monitoring environment, the H<sub>2</sub>S filter disk will have to be replaced more frequently.

## Dual CO/H<sub>2</sub>S Sensor Filter

The dual CO/H<sub>2</sub>S sensor has a half black/half white filter installed over it. The filter should be replaced if you notice either 1) unexplained CO readings or 2) For users with a 1 ppm H<sub>2</sub>S alarm setpoint: a drift on the H<sub>2</sub>S channel's zero reading, unexplained H<sub>2</sub>S readings, the filter appears dirty, or every 6 months (whichever is sooner).

#### **CO-Only Sensor Filter**

A black charcoal filter is installed over CO-only sensors. The filter should be replaced if you notice unexplained CO readings.

## H<sub>2</sub>S-Only Sensor Filter

A white humidity filter is installed over  $H_2S$ -only sensors. The filter absorbs humidity in the sampling environment to prevent unstable readings around 0 ppm  $H_2S$ . For users with a 1 ppm  $H_2S$  alarm setpoint, the filter should be replaced if you notice: a drift on the  $H_2S$  channel's zero reading, unexplained  $H_2S$  readings, the filter appears dirty, or every 6 months (whichever is sooner). For users with a 2 ppm or higher  $H_2S$  alarm setpoint, the filter does not necessarily ever need to be replaced.

#### **Replacement Procedure**

- 1. Verify that the GX-3R is off.
- 2. Turn the GX-3R upside down.
- 3. Use a small Phillips screwdriver to unscrew the two screws holding the bottom cover to the rest of the GX-3R's case. Only unscrew them until the heads are flush with the edge of the bottom cover.
- 4. Using a small flat blade screwdriver, gently pry each side of the bottom cover away from the rest of the GX-3R's case.
- 5. Remove the bottom cover from the rest of the GX-3R's case.
- 6. Remove the filter gasket/sensor retainer assembly.
- 7. Remove the filter gasket/hydrophobic dust filter assembly.
- 8. Gently pry out the filter you want to replace.
- 9. Install the new filters.
  - a. Dark red  $H_2S$  scrubber disk for combustible gas sensor: The brown side of the filter case should face toward the GX-3R.
  - b. Black and white combo filter for  $CO/H_2S$  dual sensor: The red side of the filter case should face toward the GX-3R. The black filter material should face the edge of the GX-3R while the white filter material should face the H<sub>2</sub>S scrubber disk.
  - c. Black filter for CO-only sensor: The red side of the filter case should face toward the GX-3R.
  - d. White filter for  $H_2S$ -only sensor: The white side of the filter case should face toward the GX-3R.

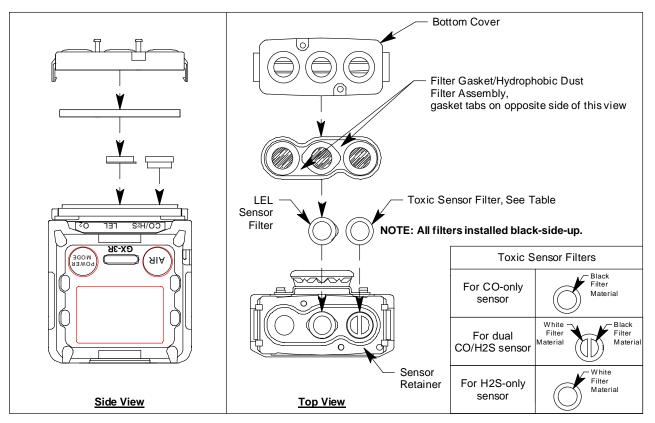
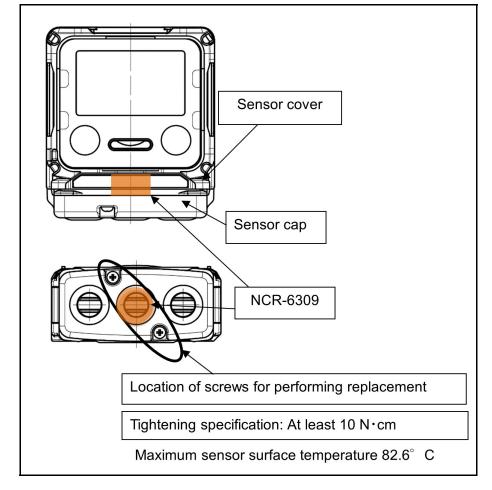


Figure 14: Replacing the Sensor Filters

- 10. Reinstall the filter gasket/hydrophobic dust filter assembly onto the sensor retainer. The gasket tabs face down.
- 11. Reattach the bottom cover to the GX-3R. Push it onto the GX-3R until it snaps into place.

12. Reinstall the two screws that were loosened in Step 3. Tighten the screws to at least 10 Ncm.



13. Perform a bump test as described on page 59 to confirm good operation.

## **Replacing the Hydrophobic Dust Filter**

Some GX-3Rs have a hydrophobic dust filter that is <u>not</u> attached to the filter gasket. When replacing the hydrophobic dust filter on one of these GX-3Rs, remove the filter <u>and</u> the gasket and replace it with a filter gasket/hydrophobic dust filter assembly.

- 1. Verify that the GX-3R is off.
- 2. Turn the GX-3R upside down.
- 3. Use a small Phillips screwdriver to unscrew the two screws holding the bottom cover to the rest of the GX-3R's case. Only unscrew them until the heads are flush with the edge of the bottom cover.
- 4. Using a small flat blade screwdriver, gently pry each side of the bottom cover away from the rest of the GX-3R's case.
- 5. Remove the bottom cover from the rest of the GX-3R's case. The filter gasket/sensor retainer assembly may come out.

- 6. Remove the filter gasket/hydrophobic dust filter assembly.
- 7. Install the new filter gasket/hydrophobic dust filter assembly with the gasket tabs facing down.

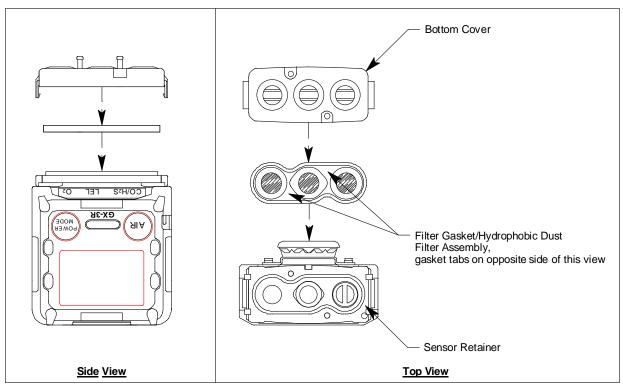
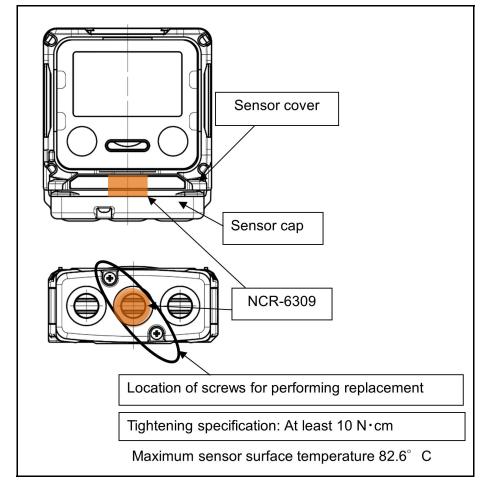


Figure 15: Replacing the Hydrophobic Dust Filter

8. Reattach the bottom cover to the GX-3R. Push it onto the GX-3R until it snaps into place.

9. Reinstall the two screws that were loosened in Step 3. Tighten the screws to at least 10 Ncm.



#### **Replacing a Sensor**

# *WARNING:* This product integrates a sensor having flameproof construction. If assembly is not performed as specified, explosion protection performance will be compromised. When replacing the sensor and filter, properly install genuine parts and torque to specification.

*CAUTION:* The CO and  $H_2S$  sensors contain an electrolyte solution. If contact with the electrolyte occurs, wash the area immediately.

*CAUTION:* The buzzer cover, sensors, and filters are the only user-serviceable parts in the GX-3R. Do not replace or modify any other part.

- 1. Verify that the GX-3R is off.
- 2. Turn the GX-3R upside down.
- 3. Use a small Phillips screwdriver to unscrew the two screws holding the bottom cover to the rest of the GX-3R's case. Only unscrew them until the heads are flush with the edge of the bottom cover.
- 4. Using a small flat blade screwdriver, gently pry each side of the bottom cover away from the rest of the GX-3R's case.
- 5. Remove the filter gasket/sensor retainer assembly from the GX-3R. The sensors will be exposed.
- 6. Locate the sensor you want to replace and remove it from its socket.
- 7. Carefully insert the replacement sensor in the correct socket. Be sure that the new sensor is installed in the same position as the old sensor and that it is aligned correctly. The toxic and oxygen sensors have slots to orient the sensor. The combustible gas sensor has tabs to orient the sensor. Do not force a sensor into its slot.

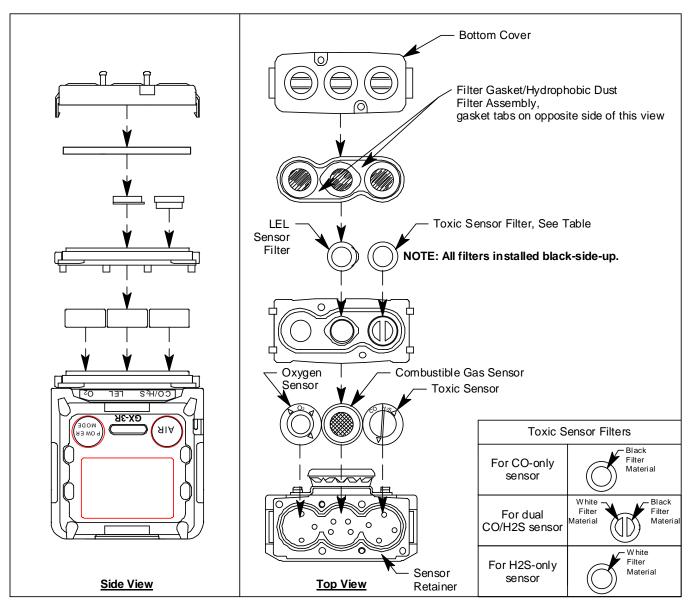
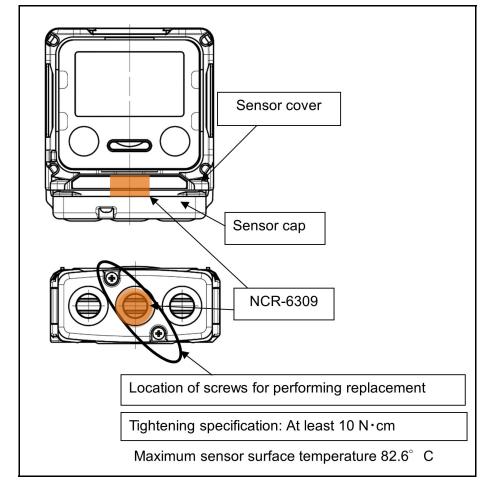


Figure 16: Replacing a Sensor

- 8. If your instrument has a factory installed dummy sensor, ensure that it is still installed correctly. Make sure that the flat side is facing away from the GX-3R.
- 9. Reinstall the filter gasket/sensor retainer assembly. The black and white filter goes over the  $CO/H_2S$  sensor with the black half of the filter facing the edge of the GX-3R. Be sure the filter gasket/sensor retainer is oriented correctly.
- 10. If the filter gasket/hydrophobic dust filter assembly came out, reinstall it with the gasket tabs facing down.
- 11. Reattach the bottom cover to the GX-3R. Push it onto the GX-3R until it snaps into place.

12. Reinstall the two screws that were loosened in Step 3. Tighten the screws to at least 10 Ncm.



13. Calibrate the new sensors as described on page 66. If a new  $H_2$ -compensated CO sensor was installed, you need to calibrate with CO and set the  $H_2$  response.

## **Replacing the Battery Board**

Replace the battery board when the GX-3R doesn't hold a charge anymore.

- 1. Verify that the GX-3R is off.
- 2. Remove the rubber boot, if installed.
- 3. Place the GX-3R LCD-side-down.

4. Unscrew the 4 screws that hold the two case halves together. The alligator or belt clip does not need to be removed.

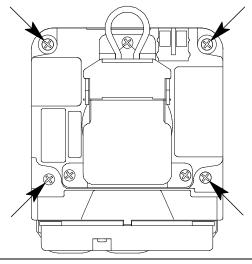


Figure 17: Removing Case Screws

- 5. Separate the two case halves. You may need to pry them apart.
- 6. The rear half of the case has the battery board.
- 7. Unscrew the 3 screws that hold the battery board.

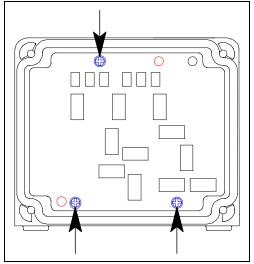


Figure 18: Removing Battery Board Screws

8. Gently remove the battery board. A black rectangular gasket may come out with the battery board.

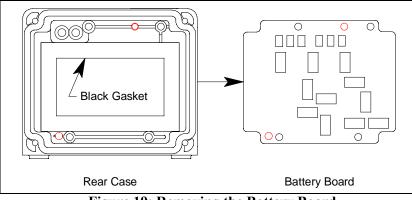


Figure 19: Removing the Battery Board

- 9. Place the black rectangular gasket flat in the rear case.
- 10. Place the new battery board battery-side-down in the rear case. The case has protrusions that fit in holes on the battery board.

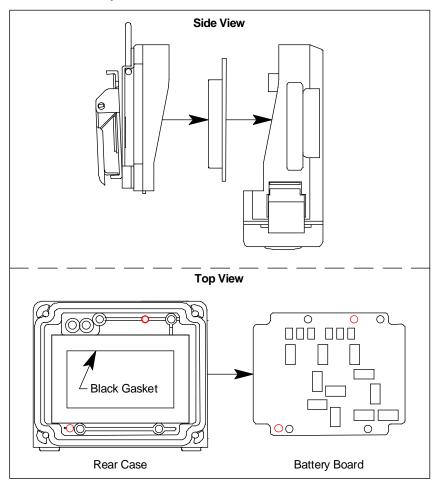


Figure 20: Reinstalling the Battery Board

11. Secure the battery board using the screws removed in Step 7.

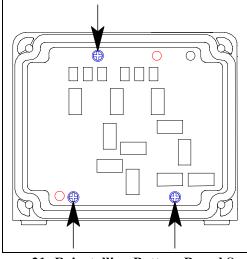


Figure 21: Reinstalling Battery Board Screws

12. Be sure the gasket along the edge of the rear case is seated correctly. The flat side of the gasket faces away from the case.

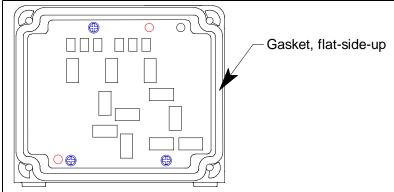


Figure 22: Reinstalling Battery Board Screws

13. Reinstall the rear case to the front case using the screws removed in Step 4.

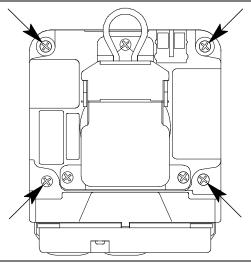


Figure 23: Removing Case Screws

- 14. Reinstall the rubber boot, if being used.
- 15. Turn on the GX-3R.
- 16. If the instruments goes into a clock failure, set the date/time as described on page 93.

# **Chapter 7: Storage and Disposal**

#### Storage

- Store away from direct sunlight
- Store in a location with normal temperature and humidity
- Store in a location free of gases, solvents, and vapors
- Store away from dust and dirt
- Discharge the battery to 1 bar in the battery icon to help prolong battery life and prevent battery deterioration
- The GX-3R draws a small amount of power even while it is shut off. A GX-3R with a full battery can be stored for 3 years without losing power. A GX-3R with a battery in low battery alarm can be stored for about 3 months without losing power. If a GX-3R completely loses power during storage, the date/time must be reset as described on page 93.

#### Disposal

- Remove the batteries
- Dispose in accordance with local regulations

# **Chapter 8: General Parts List**

#### **Table 16: General Parts List**

| Part Number  | Description   |
|--------------|---|
| 06-1248RK-03 | Calibration kit tubing, 3 foot length   |
| 10-1083      | Screw for belt clip   |
| 10-1086      | Screw with flat and lock washers, for alligator clip  |
| 10-1087      | Screw, for bottom cover and for battery pack  |
| 13-0112RK    | Wrist strap   |
| 13-0124      | Alligator clip with 3 installation screws   |
| 13-0125      | Belt clip with 3 installation screws  |
| 20-0332      | Rubber boot, black  |
| 20-0333      | Leather case  |
| 20-0334      | Heat-resistant case   |
| 21-1950      | Screen protector  |
| 21-1962      | Bottom cover  |
| 21-1963      | Sensor retainer   |
| 33-0183      | Filter gasket/hydrophobic dust filter assembly, 1 set (to replace hydrophobic dust filters that are separate from the filter gasket <u>and</u> to replace filter gasket/ hydrophobic dust filter assemblies)      |
| 33-0183-10   | Filter gasket/hydrophobic dust filter assembly, 10 sets (to replace hydrophobic dust filters that are separate from the filter gasket <u>and</u> to replace filter gasket/<br>hydrophobic dust filter assemblies) |
| 33-0553      | Buzzer cover  |
| 33-7130      | Charcoal filter/humidity filter disk (black and white), for dual CO/H <sub>2</sub> S sensor, 5 pack   |
| 33-7131      | $H_2S$ scrubber disk (dark red), for combustible gas sensor, 5 pack   |
| 33-7132      | Charcoal filter disk (black), for CO and H <sub>2</sub> -compensated CO sensors, 5 pack   |
| 33-7133      | Humidity filter (white), for H <sub>2</sub> S sensor, 5 pack  |
| 47-1019      | Charging cable for multi-unit charger, 2 feet   |
| 47-5084RK    | USB/IrDA adapter module, no USB cable (for all premier portables)   |
| 47-5084RK-01 | USB/IrDA adapter module, with USB cable (for all premier portables)   |

| Part Number         | Description   |
|---------------------|---|
| 47-5085RK           | USB A to USB mini cable, 6 feet, for 47-5084RK  |
| 47-5102             | 5 47-1019 charging cables with connector bar, no AC adapter   |
| 49-0133             | Single-unit AC adapter, with 4 foot cable   |
| 49-0134             | Multi-unit AC adapter, with 2 foot cables   |
| 49-2021             | Single-unit DC adapter, with 4 foot cable   |
| 57-2098             | Replacement Li-ion battery with board   |
| 65-7004             | Dummy sensor  |
| 71-0477             | Operator's Manual, GX-3R (this document)  |
| 71-0491             | Operator's Manual, GX-3R Datalogging Program  |
| 81-0000RK-51        | Calibration cylinder, 200 ppm $H_2$ in air, 34 liter steel  |
| 81-0090RK-01        | Calibration cylinder, 3-gas (CH <sub>4</sub> /O <sub>2</sub> /CO), 34 liter steel   |
| 81-0090RK-03        | Calibration cylinder, 3-gas (CH <sub>4</sub> /O <sub>2</sub> /CO), 103 liter  |
| 81-0154RK-02        | Calibration cylinder, 4-gas (CH <sub>4</sub> /O <sub>2</sub> / H <sub>2</sub> S/CO), 58 liter   |
| 81-0154RK-04        | Calibration cylinder, 4-gas (CH <sub>4</sub> /O <sub>2</sub> / H <sub>2</sub> S/CO), 34 liter aluminum  |
| 81-1050RK-25        | Regulator, fixed flow, 0.25 LPM, with gauge and knob, for 17 liter and 34 liter steel cylinders (cylinders with external threads)                   |
| 81-1051RK-25        | Regulator, fixed flow, 0.25 LPM, with gauge and knob, for 34 liter aluminum, 58 liter, and 103 liter cylinders (cylinders with internal threads)    |
| 81-1161             | Aspirator assembly: Sample cup, aspirator bulb, 10 foot hose, and probe   |
| 81-1192             | Calibration cup/sample cup for aspirator assembly   |
| 81-GX3RCO           | Calibration kit: 103 liter 3-gas (CH <sub>4</sub> /O <sub>2</sub> /CO) cylinder, 0.25 LPM regulator, calibration tubing, and case                   |
| 81-GX3RCO-LV        | Calibration kit: 34 liter steel 3-gas (CH <sub>4</sub> /O <sub>2</sub> /CO) cylinder, 0.25 LPM regulator, calibration tubing, and case              |
| 81-GX3RHSCO         | Calibration kit: 58 liter 4-gas (CH <sub>4</sub> /O <sub>2</sub> / H <sub>2</sub> S/CO) cylinder, 0.25 LPM regulator, calibration tubing, and case  |
| 81-GX3RHSCO-LV      | Calibration kit: 34 liter aluminum 4-gas (CH <sub>4</sub> /O <sub>2</sub> / $H_2$ S/CO) cylinder, 0.25 LPM regulator, calibration tubing, and case  |
| 81-GX3RHSCO-<br>116 | Calibration kit: 116 liter aluminum 4-gas (CH <sub>4</sub> /O <sub>2</sub> / H <sub>2</sub> S/CO), 0.25 LPM regulator, calibration tubing, and case |

#### Table 16: General Parts List (Continued)

| Part Number   | Description  |
|---------------|--|
| ESR-A13i-H2S  | Hydrogen sulfide (H <sub>2</sub> S) sensor                     |
| ESR-A13P-CO   | Carbon monoxide (CO) sensor                                    |
| ESR-A1CP-CO-H | Hydrogen-compensated carbon monoxide (CO) sensor               |
| ESR-A1DP-COHS | Dual carbon monoxide (CO) and hydrogen sulfide $(H_2S)$ sensor |
| ESR-X13P-OXY  | Oxygen sensor  |
| NCR-6309      | Combustible gas sensor, catalytic                              |

#### Table 16: General Parts List (Continued)

# **Appendix A: Maintenance Mode**

#### **Overview**

This appendix describes the GX-3R in Maintenance Mode. The GX-3R is factory-set to suit most applications. Update settings in Maintenance Mode only if required for your specific application. Maintenance Mode items and their factory settings are listed in Table 17.

| Maintenance<br>Mode Menu<br>Item | Description  |  |   |  |  |
|----------------------------------|--|--|---|--|--|
| GAS CAL (page<br>120)            | Perform an air set the cylinde   | ir adjust, perform a span adjustment, change the calibration values,<br>ler group.   |   |  |  |
|                                  | AIR CAL  | Perform a fr   | esh air adjustment.   |  |  |
|                                  | AUTO CAL   |  | oan adjustment, set the calibration gas concentration, sylinder for each gas. |  |  |
|                                  |  | AUTO<br>CAL CYL<br>XPerform an automatic span adjustment on the<br>gases selected for Cylinder X (A-E cylinders<br>available).   |   |  |  |
|                                  |  | START Begin the warmup sequence and enter Mode.  |   |  |  |
|                                  |  | CAL-PSet the calibration concentration for each gas.CYL SELAssign a cylinder (A-E) to each gas (all 4 gases set<br>to Cylinder A is the default). For single cal opera-<br>tion, you would assign each gas its own cylinder.ESCAPEReturn to the AUTO CAL menu item.EReturn to the GAS CAL menu item. |   |  |  |
|                                  |  |  |   |  |  |
|                                  |  |  |   |  |  |
|                                  | ESCAPE   |  |   |  |  |
| GAS TEST<br>(page 121)           |  | Apply gas to test sensor response and observe alarm indications without an alarm event being recorded.   |   |  |  |
| SEN DATE<br>(page 123)           | View the replacement date for each sensor and the battery and/or set the replace-<br>ment date for each sensor or the battery to the current date. |  |   |  |  |

| Table 17: | Maintenance | Mode 1  | Menu Items    |  |
|-----------|-------------|---------|---------------|--|
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| Maintenance<br>Mode Menu<br>Item | Description   |  |  |  |
|----------------------------------|---|--|--|--|
| BUMP (page                       | Perform a bump test.  |  |  |  |
| 124)                             | BUMP<br>CYL X   | Perform a bump test on the gases selected for Cylinder X<br>(A-E cylinders available)  |  |  |
|                                  | START   | Begin the warmup sequence and enter Measuring Mode.  |  |  |
|                                  | ESCAPE  | Return to the <b>BUMP</b> menu item.   |  |  |
| LATCHING<br>(page 125)           | passes and PO   | etting): The GX-3R remains in alarm until the alarm condition<br>WER MODE is pressed.<br>-3R automatically resets an alarm when the alarm condition passes.  |  |  |
| DEM ZERO<br>(page 125)           | Mode by press   | <ul> <li><u>ON (factory setting)</u>: You can manually perform a fresh air adjust in Measuring Mode by pressing AIR.</li> <li><u>OFF</u>: You cannot manually perform a fresh air adjust in Measuring Mode by</li> </ul>       |  |  |
| AUTOZERO<br>(page 126)           | <ul> <li><u>ON</u>: The GX-3R asks if you want to perform a fresh air adjustment at the end of the startup sequence.</li> <li><u>OFF (factory setting)</u>: The GX-3R does not ask if you want to perform a fresh air adjustment at the end of the startup sequence.</li> </ul>                                 |  |  |  |
| ID DISP (page<br>126)            | <u>ON</u> : User ID and Station ID screens appear in startup sequence. IDs can be changed in Display Mode if <b>DISP.SET</b> in User Mode is also set to <b>ON</b> .<br><u>OFF (factory setting)</u> : User ID and Station ID screens do not appear in startup sequence. IDs cannot be changed in Display Mode. |  |  |  |
| ZERO SUP<br>(page 127)           | ON (factory setting): Not intended for field adjustment. The suppression values are:         Combustible Gas: 2% LEL         O2: 0.5% volume         H2S: 0.3 ppm         CO: 2 ppm   |  |  |  |
| ZERO.FLWR<br>(page 127)          | ON (factory setting): Not intended for field adjustment. Oxygen channel does not support zero follower functionality.   |  |  |  |
| ZSUP.DISP<br>(page 127)          | OFF: Zero suj   | <b>ON</b> (factory setting): Zero suppression menu item appears in User Mode.<br><b>OFF</b> : Zero suppression menu item does not appear in User Mode.<br>(Zero suppression menu item is always available in Maintenance Mode) |  |  |
| ZFLW.DISP<br>(page 127)          | ON: Zero follower menu item appears in User Mode.         OFF (factory setting): Zero follower menu item does not appear in User Mode.         (Zero follower menu item is always available in Maintenance Mode)  |  |  |  |

#### Table 17: Maintenance Mode Menu Items

| Table 17: N | Maintenance | Mode | Menu 1 | Items |
|-------------|-------------|------|--------|-------|
|-------------|-------------|------|--------|-------|

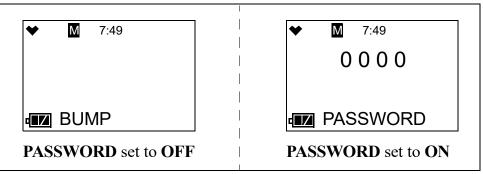
| Maintenance<br>Mode Menu<br>Item | Description  |
|----------------------------------|--|
| DATE (page<br>128)               | Set the current date and time.   |
| PASSWORD<br>(page 128)           | <ul> <li><u>ON (factory setting)</u>: Maintenance Mode is password-protected. Factory-set password is <b>8102</b>.</li> <li><u>OFF</u>: Maintenance Mode is not password-protected.</li> </ul> |
| ROM/SUM<br>(page 129)            | View the firmware information for the GX-3R's sensor board, main board, and gas list.  |
| M.DEFAULT<br>(page 130)          | Set all parameters back to their RKI factory settings.   |
| START (page<br>131)              | Press and release POWER MODE to begin the warmup sequence and enter Measuring Mode.  |

#### **Entering Maintenance Mode**

WARNING: The GX-3R is not in operation as a gas detector while in Maintenance Mode.

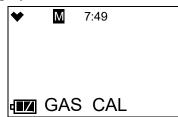
- 1. Take the GX-3R to a non-hazardous location and turn it off if it is on.
- 2. Press and hold AIR, then press and hold POWER MODE. You will hear a beep after one second. Continue to hold the buttons down.
- 3. When you hear a second beep, release the buttons.
- The screen that appears depends on the setting of Maintenance Mode's PASSWORD item. If PASSWORD is set to OFF, continue with Step 8.

If **PASSWORD** is set to **ON** (factory setting), continue with Step 5.



5. If **PASSWORD** is set to **ON** in Maintenance Mode, a password screen appears. The first digit flashes. The factory-set password is **8102** but it can be changed as desired.

- 6. Use AIR to select each password number then press POWER MODE to save it and move on to the next number. To go back a number, press and hold AIR and POWER MODE for a few seconds. To reverse the direction of change (ie. from increasing to decreasing or vice versa):
  - a. Press and hold AIR.
  - b. Immediately press POWER MODE and then release both buttons.
- 7. Continue to Step 6.
- 8. The GAS CAL menu item displays.



- 9. M at the top of the screen indicates that the GX-3R is in Maintenance Mode.
- 10. Use AIR to move through the Maintenance Mode menu items.

#### **Tips for Using Maintenance Mode**

- To scroll from one menu item to the next, press and release AIR. To reverse the scrolling direction:
  - a. Press and hold AIR.
  - b. Immediately press POWER/MODE and then release both buttons.
  - c. The scrolling direction returns to the original direction when you exit and reenter a menu.
- To skip an item when a question is asked, press and release AIR.
- To enter an item and to save any changes, press and release POWER MODE.
- To change a flashing parameter, press and release AIR. To reverse the direction of change (i.e. from increasing to decreasing or vice versa):
  - a. Press and hold AIR.
  - b. Immediately press POWER MODE and then release both buttons.
- To exit an entered menu item without saving a change, press and hold AIR and POWER MODE for a few seconds.

### Performing a Calibration (GAS CAL)

See "Performing a Calibration (GAS CAL)" on page 66 for a description of the GAS CAL menu item.

#### Performing a Gas Test (GAS TEST)

The GAS TEST menu item allows you to apply gas to the instrument and see all alarm indications <u>except</u> for the buzzer indication. There is no buzzer indication in the GAS TEST menu even though the buzzer will sound in the event of a real gas alarm condition while in Measuring Mode.

#### Preparing for a Gas Test

To perform a gas test on the GX-3R, you will need:

- A calibration cylinder. The concentrations should be above the alarm condition you want to check. Standard alarm points are listed on page 10.
- 0.25 LPM fixed flow regulator
- Non-absorbent tubing
- Calibration cup
- 1. Install the calibration cup onto the GX-3R. Use the label and imprinting to make sure that the calibration cup gets installed in the correct orientation relative to the GX-3R. Be sure the calibration cup is pushed on all the way.

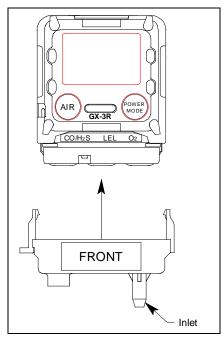
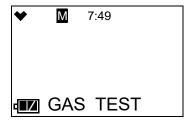


Figure 24: Calibration Cup Installation

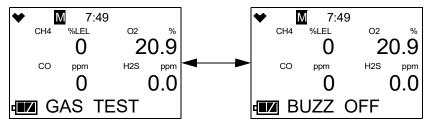
2. Use the tubing to connect the regulator to the inlet of the calibration cup.

#### Performing a Gas Test

1. While in Maintenance Mode, press AIR to scroll to GAS TEST.



2. Press and release POWER MODE. The current gas readings display. The bottom of the LCD alternates between "GAS TEST" and "BUZZ OFF".

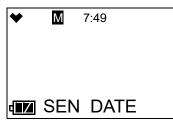


- 3. For toxic gas cylinders (like cylinders containing H<sub>2</sub>S), it is important to vent the regulator while installing it onto the cylinder. Venting the regulator during installation helps prevent air from getting into the cylinder and degrading the gas. Open the regulator by turning the knob counterclockwise and install it onto the cylinder.
- 4. The instrument initiates alarm indications <u>except</u> for the buzzer. There is no buzzer indication in the **GAS TEST** menu even though the buzzer will sound in the event of a real gas alarm condition.
- 5. Turn the regulator knob clockwise to close the regulator.
- 6. Unscrew the regulator from the calibration cylinder.
- 7. Remove the calibration cup from the GX-3R.
- 8. Store the calibration kit in a safe and convenient place.
- 9. Press and release POWER MODE to return to the **GAS TEST** menu item in Maintenance Mode.
- 10. See "Entering Measuring Mode (START)" on page 131 to enter Measuring Mode.

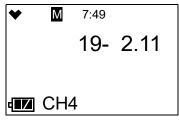
#### Sensor/Battery Replacement Date (SEN DATE)

The **SEN DATE** menu item allows you to keep track of when the sensors and the battery were replaced.

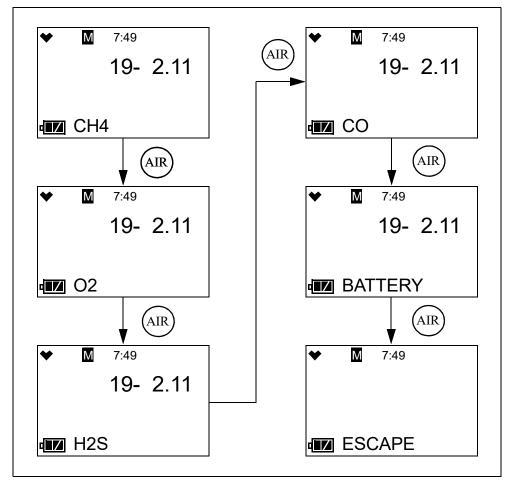
1. While in Maintenance Mode, press AIR to scroll to SEN DATE.



2. Press and release POWER MODE. The combustible gas sensor's replacement date displays.



3. Use AIR to scroll to the item whose replacement date you want to view or change.



- 4. To change the replacement date:
  - a. With the desired item displayed, press and release POWER MODE.
  - b. Press and release POWER MODE again to set the replacement date to the current date.
- 5. Use the AIR button to scroll to the ESCAPE menu item.
- 6. Press and release POWER MODE to return to the **SEN DATE** menu item in Maintenance Mode.
- 7. See "Entering Measuring Mode (START)" on page 131 to enter Measuring Mode.

#### Performing a Bump Test (BUMP)

See "Performing a Bump Test (BUMP)" on page 59 for a description of the BUMP menu item.

# Setting Alarms to Latching or Self-Resetting (LATCH-ING)

**ON** (factory setting): The GX-3R remains in alarm until the alarm condition passes *and* POWER MODE is pressed.

**<u>OFF</u>**: The GX-3R automatically resets an alarm when the alarm condition passes.

1. While in Maintenance Mode, press AIR to scroll to LATCHING.

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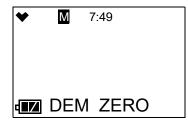
- 2. Press and release POWER MODE. The current setting flashes.
- 3. Use AIR to display the desired setting.
- 4. Press and release POWER MODE to save the setting and return to the LATCHING menu item.
- 5. See "Entering Measuring Mode (START)" on page 131 to enter Measuring Mode.

# Turning the Demand Zero Function On/Off (DEM ZERO)

<u>ON (factory setting)</u>: You can manually perform a fresh air adjust in Measuring Mode by pressing AIR.

**<u>OFF</u>**: You cannot manually perform a fresh air adjust in Measuring Mode.

1. While in Maintenance Mode, press AIR to scroll to **DEM ZERO**.



- 2. Press and release POWER MODE. The current setting flashes.
- 3. Use AIR to display the desired setting.
- 4. Press and release POWER MODE to save the setting and return to the **DEM ZERO** menu item.
- 5. See "Entering Measuring Mode (START)" on page 131 to enter Measuring Mode.

#### **Turning the Auto Zero Function On/Off (AUTOZERO)**

<u>ON</u>: The GX-3R asks if you want to perform a fresh air adjustment at the end of the startup sequence.

<u>OFF (factory setting)</u>: The GX-3R does not ask if you want to perform a fresh air adjustment at the end of the startup sequence.

1. While in Maintenance Mode, press AIR to scroll to AUTOZERO.

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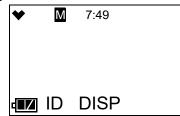
- 2. Press and release POWER MODE. The current setting flashes.
- 3. Use AIR to display the desired setting.
- 4. Press and release POWER MODE to save the setting and return to the **AUTOZERO** menu item.
- 5. See "Entering Measuring Mode (START)" on page 131 to enter Measuring Mode.

### Turning the ID Display Function On/Off (ID DISP)

<u>**ON**</u>: The User ID and Station ID screens appear in startup sequence. If **DISP.SET** in User Mode is also set to **ON**, then the IDs can be changed in Display Mode.

<u>OFF (factory setting)</u>: The User ID and Station ID screens do not appear in startup sequence and the IDs cannot be changed in Display Mode.

1. While in Maintenance Mode, press AIR to scroll to ID DISP.



- 2. Press and release POWER MODE. The current setting flashes.
- 3. Use AIR to display the desired setting.
- 4. Press and release POWER MODE to save the setting and return to the **ID DISP** menu item.
- 5. See "Entering Measuring Mode (START)" on page 131 to enter Measuring Mode.

#### Turning the Zero Suppression On/Off (ZERO SUP)

The **ZERO SUP** setting is not intended for field adjustment. The default setting for each sensor is **ON**.

| Sensor           | Zero Suppression<br>Value |  |
|------------------|---------------------------|--|
| Combustible Gas  | 2% LEL                    |  |
| O <sub>2</sub>   | 0.5% volume               |  |
| H <sub>2</sub> S | 0.3 ppm                   |  |
| СО               | 2 ppm                     |  |

#### Turning the Zero Follower On/Off (ZERO.FLWR)

The **ZERO.FLWR** setting is not intended for field adjustment. The default setting is **ON**. The oxygen channel does not support zero follower functionality.

#### User Mode Zero Suppression (ZSUP.DISP)

ON (factory setting): Zero suppression menu item appears in User Mode.

<u>OFF</u>: Zero suppression menu item does not appear in User Mode. The zero suppression menu item is always available in Maintenance Mode.

### User Mode Zero Follower (ZFLW.DISP)

**ON**: Zero follower menu item appears in User Mode.

<u>OFF (factory setting)</u>: Zero follower menu item does not appear in User Mode. The zero follower menu item is always available in Maintenance Mode.

It is not normally necessary to have the zero follower menu item appear in User Mode. Contact RKI Instruments before turning this setting on.

#### Setting the Date/Time (DATE)

1. From the main menu, place the cursor next to **DATE**.

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2. Press and release POWER MODE. The date and time display with the year flashing.

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- 3. Use AIR to display the desired year.
- 4. Press and release POWER MODE to save the setting. The month setting flashes.
- 5. Repeat Step 3 and Step 4 to enter the month, day, hours, and minutes settings. The date and time are saved and the instrument returns to the **DATE** menu item.
- 6. See "Entering Measuring Mode (START)" on page 131 to enter Measuring Mode.

#### Turning the Password On/Off (PASSWORD)

<u>ON (factory setting)</u>: The GX-3R prompts you for a password when you enter Maintenance Mode. The factory-set password is **8102** but it can be changed as desired.

OFF: No password is required to enter Maintenance Mode.

1. While in Maintenance Mode, press AIR to scroll to **PASSWORD**.

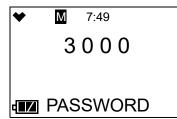
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- 2. Press and release POWER MODE. The current setting flashes.
- 3. Use AIR to display the desired setting.

4. If you selected **OFF**, press and release POWER MODE to save the setting and return to the **PASSWORD** item in Maintenance Mode.

If you selected **ON**, continue with Step 5.

5. Press and release POWER MODE. The Set Password Screen appears. The current password appears and the first digit flashes.

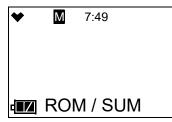


- 6. Use AIR to display a number from 0 to 9.
- 7. Press and release POWER MODE to enter the selection and advance to the next number. To go back a number, press and hold AIR and POWER MODE for a few seconds.
- 8. Repeat Step 6 and Step 7 to select the remaining numbers. When you press and release POWER MODE to enter the last number, the password is saved and the instrument returns to the **PASSWORD** item in Maintenance Mode.
- 9. See "Entering Measuring Mode (START)" on page 131 to enter Measuring Mode.

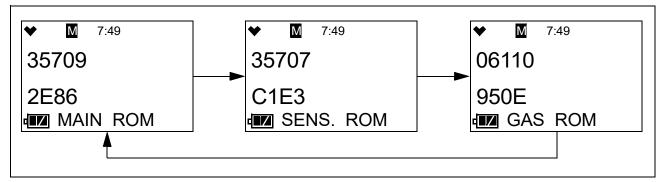
### Viewing the ROM/SUM (ROM/SUM)

The ROM/SUM screen shows the instrument's firmware version and the firmware checksum.

1. While in Maintenance Mode, press AIR to scroll to **ROM/SUM**.



2. Press and release POWER MODE. The screen cycles through the main board's ROM/SUM, the sensor board's ROM/SUM, and the gas list's ROM/SUM. The ROM is the top value and the SUM is the bottom value.

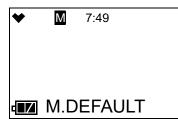


- 3. Press and release POWER MODE to return to the **ROM/SUM** menu item in Maintenance Mode.
- 4. See "Entering Measuring Mode (START)" on page 131 to enter Measuring Mode.

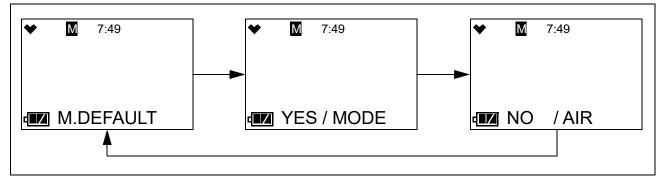
## Performing a Default (M.DEFAULT)

Performing a default operation in Maintenance Mode returns all parameters to their RKI factory settings.

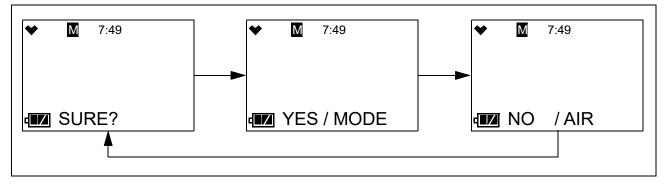
1. While in Maintenance Mode, press AIR to scroll to M.DEFAULT.



2. Press and release POWER MODE to continue. Press and release AIR to return to the **M.DEFAULT** menu item in Maintenance Mode.



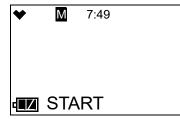
3. Press and release POWER MODE to perform a default operation. The instrument asks if you are sure you want to perform a default operation.



- 4. Press and release POWER MODE to perform a default operation. Press and release AIR to return to **M.DEFAULT** menu item in Maintenance Mode.
- 5. The instrument beeps twice and returns to the **M.DEFAULT** menu item in Maintenance Mode.
- 6. See "Entering Measuring Mode (START)" on page 131 to enter Measuring Mode.

## **Entering Measuring Mode (START)**

1. While in Maintenance Mode, press AIR to scroll to START.



2. Press and release POWER MODE. The instrument begins its warmup sequence.

#### **Overview**

This appendix describes the GX-3R in Gas Select Mode. The GX-3R is factory-set to suit most applications. Update settings in Gas Select Mode only if required for your specific application. A description of the Gas Select Mode items is shown in Table 18.

| Menu Item (Page # of<br>Description) | Description   |
|--------------------------------------|---|
| GAS COMB (page 134)                  | Turn channels on or off and change target gas for each channel.   |
| SAVE-AP (page 136)                   | Set the current alarm points as the default alarm points.   |
| MAX SPAN (page 137)                  | <u>ON</u> : Maximum span screen appears after a successful calibration.<br><u>OFF (factory setting)</u> : No maximum span screen appears.   |
| STEALTH (page 137)                   | <u>STEALTH ON</u> : No backlight, LED, or buzzer operation.<br><u>STEALTH OFF (factory setting)</u> : Backlight, LED, and buzzer operate normally.  |
|                                      | This setting has no effect unless STEALTH is set to ON.<br><u>VIB ON</u> : Vibrator activates for alarm conditions.<br><u>VIB OFF (factory setting)</u> : Vibrator does not activate in any situation.  |
| CHG LEL (page 138)                   | <ul> <li><u>STANDARD (factory setting)</u>: Apply standard settings for lower explosive limit's ppm level.</li> <li><u>IEC</u>: Apply IEC standards for the lower explosive limit's ppm level.</li> <li><u>ISO</u>: Apply ISO standards for the lower explosive limit's ppm level.</li> </ul> |
| START (page 140)                     | Enter Measuring Mode  |

Table 18: Gas Select Mode Menu Items

#### **Entering Gas Select Mode**

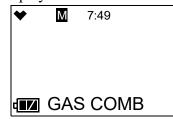
WARNING: The GX-3R is not in operation as a gas detector while in Gas Select Mode.

- 1. Take the GX-3R to a non-hazardous location and turn it off if it is on.
- 2. Press and hold AIR, then press and hold POWER MODE. You will hear a beep after one second. Continue to hold the buttons down.
- 3. You will hear a second beep. Continue to hold the buttons down.
- 4. When you hear a third beep, release the buttons.

5. A password screen appears. The first digit flashes. The password is 2014.

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- 6. Use AIR to select each password number then press POWER MODE to save it and move on to the next number. To go back a number, press and hold AIR and POWER MODE for a few seconds. To reverse the direction of change (ie. from increasing to decreasing or vice versa):
  - a. Press and hold AIR.
  - b. Immediately press POWER MODE and then release both buttons.
- 7. The GAS COMB menu item displays.



- 8.  $\mathbf{M}$  at the top of the screen indicates that the GX-3R is in Gas Select Mode.
- 9. Use AIR to move through the Gas Select Mode menu items.

#### **Tips for Using Gas Select Mode**

To scroll from one menu item to the next, press and release AIR. To reverse the scrolling direction:

- 1. Press and hold AIR.
- 2. Immediately press POWER/MODE and then release both buttons.
- 3. The scrolling direction returns to the original direction when you exit and reenter a menu. To skip an item when a question is asked, press and release AIR.

To enter an item and to save any changes, press and release POWER MODE.

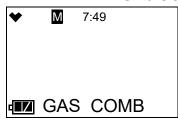
- To change a flashing parameter, press and release AIR. To reverse the direction of change (i.e. from increasing to decreasing or vice versa):
  - a. Press and hold AIR.
  - b. Immediately press POWER MODE and then release both buttons.
- To exit an entered menu item without saving a change, press and hold AIR and POWER MODE for a few seconds.

#### Changing the Gas Combination (GAS COMB)

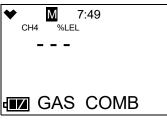
The GAS COMB menu item allows you to turn channels on and off and change each channel's target gas.

If you want the combustible gas channel to be calibrated to a specific target gas, select that target gas here and then calibrate to it in User Mode (see page 66).

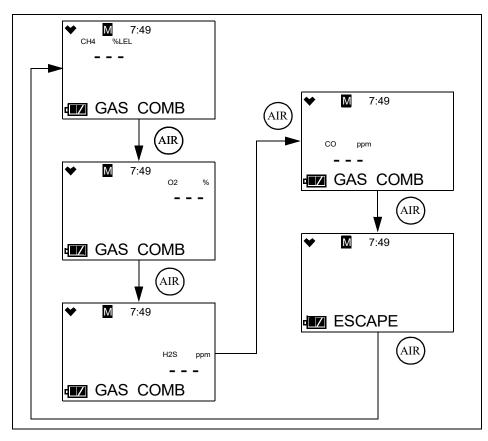
1. While in Gas Select Mode, press AIR to scroll to GAS COMB.



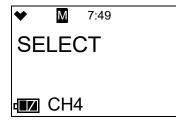
2. Press and release POWER MODE. The first channel displays.



3. Press AIR to scroll through to the instrument channel whose target gas you want to change.



- 4. Press and release POWER MODE.
- 5. The target gas for the selected channel flashes. In the example below, the combustible gas channel is selected.



6. Use AIR to change the target gas or turn the channel off.

|  | Table 19: | Target | Gas | Options | for | Each | Channel |
|--|-----------|--------|-----|---------|-----|------|---------|
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| Channel      | Target Gas Options   |  |  |  |  |
|--------------|--|--|--|--|--|
| Combustible  | CH4 (methane)     C7H8 (toluene)   |  |  |  |  |
| Gas          | • i-C4H10 (isobutane)  | • n-C7H16 (heptane)                        |  |  |  |
|              | • H2 (hydrogen)  | • C8H10 (xylene)                           |  |  |  |
|              | • CH3OH (methanol)   | • n-C9H20 (nonane)                         |  |  |  |
|              | • C2H2 (acetylene)   | • EtAc (ethyl acetate)                     |  |  |  |
|              | • C2H4 (ethylene) • IPA (isopropyl alcohol)  |  |  |  |  |
|              | • C2H6 (ethane) • MEK (methyl ethyl ketone)  |  |  |  |  |
|              | • C2H5OH (ethanol)   | • MMA (methyl methacrylate)                |  |  |  |
|              | • C3H6 (propylene)   | • DME (dimethyl ether)                     |  |  |  |
|              | • C3H6O (acetone) • MIBK (methyl isobutyl ketone)                                  |  |  |  |  |
|              | C3H8 (propane)     THF (tetrahydrofuran)   |  |  |  |  |
|              | C4H6 (butyne)         • n-C5H12 (n-pentane)  |  |  |  |  |
|              | • C5H10 (cyclopentane)   | • CH4_VOL (methane %volume)*               |  |  |  |
|              | • C6H6 (benzene)   | • (off)                                    |  |  |  |
|              | • n-C6H14 (hexane)   |  |  |  |  |
| 02           | • O2 (oxygen)  |  |  |  |  |
|              | • (off)  |  |  |  |  |
| H2S          | H2S (hydrogen sulfide for dual CO/H <sub>2</sub> S sensor)                         |  |  |  |  |
|              | • H2S SING (hydrogen sulfide for single-gas H <sub>2</sub> S sensor)               |  |  |  |  |
|              | • H2_CO-H2 (hydrogen compensated CO)   |  |  |  |  |
|              | • (off)  |  |  |  |  |
| СО           | • CO (carbon monoxide for dual CO/H <sub>2</sub> S sensor or single-gas CO sensor) |  |  |  |  |
|              | • CO_CO-H2 (hydrogen compensated CO)   |  |  |  |  |
|              | • (off)  |  |  |  |  |
| * If CH4_VOL | is selected, the CHG LEL item in C   | as Select Mode has no effect on operation. |  |  |  |

- 7. Press and release POWER MODE to save the setting.
- 8. The instrument returns to the channel selection screen.
- 9. Repeat Step 3 Step 8 to change the target gas for other channels.
- 10. Use AIR to scroll to ESCAPE and press and release POWER MODE.
- 11. The instrument returns to the GAS COMB menu item.
- 12. See "Exiting Gas Select Mode (START)" on page 140 to enter Measuring Mode.

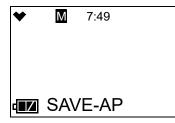
#### Saving the Alarm Points (SAVE-AP)

Performing a SAVE-AP operation saves the current alarm setpoints.

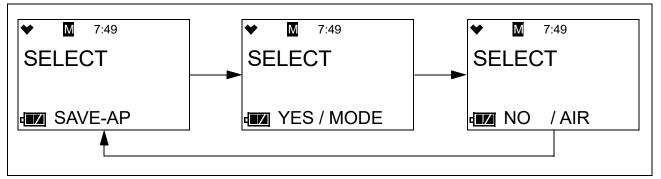
Performing a **DEF ALMP** operation in the **ALARM-PT** User Mode menu item sets the instrument's alarm points to those saved during the **SAVE-AP** operation (if performed).

Performing a SAVE-AP operation has no effect on an M.DEFAULT in Maintenance Mode. An M.DEFAULT operation returns all instrument settings to the RKI default regardless of if a SAVE-AP operation was performed.

1. While in Gas Select Mode, press AIR to scroll to SAVE-AP.



2. Press and release POWER MODE. The display cycles through the following screens.



- 3. Press and release POWER MODE to save the current alarm point settings as the default.
- 4. The instrument returns to the SAVE-AP menu item.
- 5. See "Exiting Gas Select Mode (START)" on page 140 to enter Measuring Mode.

#### **Turning Calibration Max Span On/Off (MAX SPAN)**

**<u>ON</u>**: After a passed calibration, the GX-3R displays the maximum possible adjustment it could have made to the response reading. So if the combustible gas channel was calibrated with 50% LEL gas and the maximum indicated span is 95% LEL, this means that there was enough adjustment left on that channel to set the reading to 95% LEL when the detector was exposed to 50% LEL gas. If the maximum span value is close to the calibration gas value, for example if it is 53% LEL when exposed to 50% LEL gas, the sensor should be replaced soon. The upper limit on the maximum adjustment indicated for all channels except for oxygen is either twice the calibration value or full scale, whichever is lower. The upper limit on the maximum adjustment indicated for the oxygen channel is 25.0% volume.

OFF (factory setting): There is no maximum span indication at the end of a calibration.

1. While in Gas Select Mode, press AIR to scroll to MAX SPAN.



- 2. Press and release POWER MODE. The current setting flashes.
- 3. Use AIR to display the desired setting.
- 4. Press and release POWER MODE to save the setting and return to the **MAX SPAN** menu item.
- 5. See "Exiting Gas Select Mode (START)" on page 140 to enter Measuring Mode.

### Stealth and Vibrator Settings (STEALTH)

#### STEALTH

<u>ON</u>:

- The instrument's backlight does not come on, regardless of the **BL TIME** setting.
- The instrument's LEDs do not come on for any reason, even alarm conditions.
- The instrument's buzzer does not sound for any reason, even alarm conditions.
- An "S" appears at the top of the LCD.

OFF (factory setting): The instrument's backlight and LEDs operate normally.

#### VIB

The VIB setting only affects instrument operation if STEALTH is set to ON.

<u>ON</u>: The vibrator activates for alarm conditions. It can be useful to have this feature turned on if you have also turned **STEALTH** on.

OFF (factory setting): The vibrator does not activate for any reason.

1. While in Gas Select Mode, press AIR to scroll to STEALTH.

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- 2. Press and release POWER MODE. The current **STEALTH** setting flashes.
- 3. Use AIR to display the desired setting.
- 4. Press and release POWER MODE. The current **VIB** setting flashes.
- 5. Use AIR to display the desired setting.
- 6. Press and release POWER MODE to save the setting and return to the STEALTH menu item.
- 7. See "Exiting Gas Select Mode (START)" on page 140 to enter Measuring Mode.

### LEL Definition (CHG LEL)

**NOTE:** If CH4\_VOL is selected for the combustible gas sensor in the GAS COMB menu item, the CHG LEL setting has no effect on operation.

The **CHG LEL** menu item defines what standard the instrument follows in determining the LEL (lower explosive limit) for the combustible channel's target gas.

**<u>STANDARD</u>**: Apply the standard settings for the lower explosive limit's ppm level.

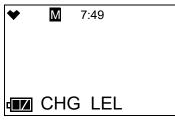
**IEC**: Apply the IEC settings (per IEC 60079-20-1 2010[ed1.0]) for the lower explosive limit's ppm level.

| Gas                 | Standard<br>(ppm) | IEC (ppm) | ISO (ppm) |
|---------------------|-------------------|-----------|-----------|
| Methane (CH4)       | 50,000            | 44,000    | 44,000    |
| Isobutane (i-C4H10) | 18,000            | 13,000    | 15,000    |
| Hydrogen (H2)       | 40,000            | 40,000    | 40,000    |
| Methanol (CH3OH)    | 55,000            | 60,000    | 60,000    |

**ISO**: Apply the ISO settings (per ISO 10156 2017) for the lower explosive limit's ppm level.

| Gas                               | Standard<br>(ppm) | IEC (ppm)           | ISO (ppm) |
|-----------------------------------|-------------------|---------------------|-----------|
| Acetylene (C2H2)                  | 15,000            | 23,000              | 23,000    |
| Ethylene (C2H4)                   | 27,000            | 23,000              | 24,000    |
| Ethane (C2H6)                     | 30,000            | 24,000              | 24,000    |
| Ethanol (C2H5OH)                  | 33,000            | 31,000              | 31,000    |
| Propylene (C3H6)                  | 20,000            | 20,000              | 18,000    |
| Acetone (C3H6O)                   | 21,500            | 25,000              | 25,000    |
| Propane (C3H8)                    | 20,000            | 17,000              | 17,000    |
| Butadiene (C4H6)                  | 11,000            | 14,000              | 14,000    |
| Cyclopentane (C5H10)              | 14,000            | 14,000              | 14,000*   |
| N-pentane (n-C5H12)               | 15,000            | 11,000              | 11,000    |
| Benzene (C6H6)                    | 12,000            | 12,000              | 12,000    |
| N-hexane (n-C6H14)                | 12,000            | 10,000              | 10,000    |
| Toluene (C7H8)                    | 12,000            | 10,000              | 10,000    |
| N-heptane (n-C7H16)               | 11,000            | 8,500               | 8,000     |
| Xylene (C8H10)                    | 10,000            | 10,000              | 10,000*   |
| N-nonane (n-C9H20)                | 7,000             | 7,000               | 7,000     |
| Ethyl acetate (EtAc)              | 21,000            | 20,000              | 20,000    |
| Isopropyl alcohol (IPA)           | 20,000            | 20,000              | 20,000*   |
| Methyl ethyl ketone (MEK)         | 18,000            | 15,000              | 15,000    |
| Methyl methacrylate (MMA)         | 17,000            | 17,000              | 17,000*   |
| Dimethyl ether (DME)              | 30,000            | 27,000              | 27,000    |
| Methyl isobutyl ketone (MIBK)     | 12,000            | 12,000              | 12,000*   |
| Tetrahydrofuran (THK)             | 20,000            | 15,000              | 15,000*   |
| * Values are actually IEC because | no ISO definition | exists for these ga | ses.      |

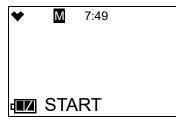
1. While in Gas Select Mode, press AIR to scroll to CHG LEL.



- 2. Press and release POWER MODE. The current setting flashes.
- 3. Use AIR to display the desired setting.
- 4. Press and release POWER MODE to save the setting and return to the CHG LEL menu item will be displayed.
- 5. See "Exiting Gas Select Mode (START)" on page 140 to enter Measuring Mode.

#### **Exiting Gas Select Mode (START)**

1. While in Gas Select Mode, press AIR to scroll to START.



2. Press and release POWER MODE. The instrument begins its warm-up sequence.

# **Appendix C: Interference Information**

All interference response values shown in this appendix are approximate. Response may vary between sensors.

## ESR-A13i-H2S, H<sub>2</sub>S Detection

| Gas                 | Chemical<br>Formula | Concentration | Indication<br>Value    |
|---------------------|---------------------|---------------|------------------------|
| Acetone             | С3Н6О               | 0.54 vol%     | 0.0 ppm                |
| Acetylene           | C2H2                | 100 ppm       | 0.0 ppm                |
| Ammonia             | NH3                 | 38.6 ppm      | 0.0 ppm                |
| Benzene             | С6Н6                | 0.30 vol%     | 0.0 ppm                |
| Carbon Dioxide      | CO2                 | 20.0 vol%     | 0.0 ppm                |
| Carbon Monoxide     | СО                  | 100.0 ppm     | 0.2 ppm                |
| Chlorine            | CL2                 | 2.0 ppm       | 0.0 ppm                |
| Cyclopentane        | C5H10               | 0.35 vol%     | 0.0 ppm                |
| Ethane              | С2Н6                | 0.75 vol%     | 0.0 ppm <sup>*1</sup>  |
| Ethanol             | С2Н5ОН              | 0.83 vol%     | -0.5 ppm <sup>*1</sup> |
| Ethyl Acetate       | C4H8O2              | 0.53 vol%     | -0.1 ppm <sup>*1</sup> |
| Fluorine            | F2                  | 1.6 ppm       | 0.0 ppm                |
| Hydrogen            | H2                  | 500 ppm       | 0.2 ppm                |
| Hydrogen Bromide    | HBr                 | 9.0 ppm       | 0.0 ppm                |
| Hydrogen Chloride   | HC1                 | 3.2 ppm       | 0.0 ppm                |
| Isobutane           | i-C4H10             | 0.45 vol%     | 0.0 ppm                |
| Isobuten            | C4H8                | 1000 ppm      | 0.1 ppm                |
| Isopropyl Alcohol   | СЗН8О               | 2.0 vol%      | -0.5 ppm               |
| Methane             | CH4                 | 1.26 vol%     | 0.0 ppm                |
| Methanol            | СНЗОН               | 1.38 vol%     | -0.6 ppm <sup>*1</sup> |
| Methyl Ethyl Ketone | C4H8O               | 0.45 vol%     | 0.0 ppm                |

Table 20: Interference Chart for ESR-A13i-H2S, H<sub>2</sub>S Detection

| Gas                        | Chemical<br>Formula | Concentration        | Indication<br>Value   |
|----------------------------|---------------------|----------------------|-----------------------|
| Methyl Isobutyl Ketone     | С6Н12О              | 0.30 vo1%            | 0.0 ppm               |
| Methyl Methacrylate        | С5Н8О2              | 0.43 vo1%            | 0.1 ppm <sup>*1</sup> |
| n-Hexane                   | n-C6H14             | 0.30 vo1%            | 0.0 ppm               |
| Nitrogen Dioxide           | NO2                 | 5.0 ppm              | -0.4 ppm              |
| Nitrogen Monoxide          | NO                  | 99.2 ppm             | 2.6 ppm               |
| Nonane                     | n-C9H2O             | 0.18 vol%            | 0.0 ppm               |
| Ozone                      | 03                  | 0.48 ppm             | 0.0 ppm               |
| Phosphine                  | РН3                 | 2.51 ppm             | 1.0 ppm               |
| Propane                    | С3Н8                | 0.49 vo1%            | 0.0 ppm               |
| Propylene                  | С3Н6                | 0.5 vol%             | -0.2 ppm              |
| Sulfur Dioxide             | SO2                 | 25.0 ppm             | 0.0 ppm               |
| Tetrahydrofuran            | C4H8O               | 0.50 vo1%            | -0.4 ppm              |
| Toluene                    | С7Н8                | 1.0 vol%             | 0.0 ppm               |
| Xylene                     | C8H10               | 0.25 vol%            | 0.0 pm                |
| *1 The indicated value may | fluctuate when      | exposed to this gas. |                       |

Table 20: Interference Chart for ESR-A13i-H2S,  $H_2S$  Detection

# **ESR-A13P-CO, CO Detection**

Table 21: Interference Chart for ESR-A13P-CO, CO Detection

| Gas                 | Chemical<br>Formula                               | Concentration | Indication<br>Value |
|---------------------|---|---------------|---------------------|
| Acetone             | (CH <sub>3</sub> ) <sub>2</sub> CO                | 5380 ppm      | 0 ppm               |
| Acetylene           | C <sub>2</sub> H <sub>2</sub>                     | 99.6 ppm      | 50 ppm              |
| Ammonia             | NH <sub>3</sub>                                   | 255 ppm       | 1 ppm               |
| Arsine              | AsH <sub>3</sub>                                  | 1.1 ppm       | 4 ppm               |
| Benzene             | C <sub>6</sub> H <sub>6</sub>                     | 0.3 vol%      | -1 ppm              |
| Carbon Dioxide      | CO <sub>2</sub>                                   | 100 vol%      | 8 ppm               |
| Chlorine            | Cl <sub>2</sub>                                   | 0.8 ppm       | 0 ppm               |
| Cyclopentane        | C <sub>5</sub> H <sub>10</sub>                    | 0.35 vol%     | 0 ppm               |
| Diborane            | B <sub>2</sub> H <sub>6</sub>                     | 5.25 ppm      | 2 ppm               |
| Ethane              | C <sub>2</sub> H <sub>6</sub>                     | 0.75 vol%     | -1 ppm              |
| Ethanol             | CH <sub>3</sub> CH <sub>2</sub> OH                | 0.825 vol%    | 2 ppm <sup>*1</sup> |
| Ethyl Acetate       | CH <sub>3</sub> COOH <sub>2</sub> CH <sub>3</sub> | 0.525 vol%    | -1 ppm              |
| Fluorine            | F <sub>2</sub>                                    | 1.6 ppm       | -1 ppm              |
| Gelmane             | GeH <sub>4</sub>                                  | 10.2 ppm      | 3 ppm               |
| Hydrogen            | H <sub>2</sub>                                    | 100 ppm       | 11 ppm              |
| Hydrogen Chloride   | HC1   | 11.7 ppm      | -1 ppm              |
| Hydrogen Cyanide    | HCN   | 1.8 ppm       | -1 ppm              |
| Hydrogen Selenide   | H <sub>2</sub> Se                                 | 1 ppm         | 1 ppm               |
| Hydrogen Sulfide    | H <sub>2</sub> S                                  | 30 ppm        | 0 ppm               |
| Isobutane           | C <sub>4</sub> H <sub>10</sub>                    | 0.45 vol%     | -1 ppm              |
| Isobuten            | (CH <sub>3</sub> ) <sub>2</sub> C=CH <sub>2</sub> | 1000 ppm      | 2 ppm               |
| Isopropyl Alcohol   | (CH <sub>3</sub> ) <sub>2</sub> CHOH              | 0.5 vol%      | -1 ppm              |
| Methane             | CH <sub>4</sub>                                   | 1.25 vol%     | 0 ppm               |
| Methanol            | СН <sub>3</sub> ОН                                | 1000 ppm      | 3 ppm               |
| Methyl Ethyl Ketone | C <sub>4</sub> H <sub>8</sub> O                   | 0.45 vol%     | -1 ppm              |

| Gas  | Chemical<br>Formula   | Concentration | Indication<br>Value |
|--|---|---------------|---------------------|
| Methyl Isobutyl<br>Ketone                                      | C <sub>6</sub> H <sub>12</sub> O                                | 3000 ppm      | -1 ppm              |
| Methyl Methacrylate  | C <sub>5</sub> H <sub>8</sub> O <sub>2</sub>                    | 0.425 vol%    | 0 ppm               |
| n-Heptane  | CH <sub>3</sub> (CH <sub>2</sub> ) <sub>5</sub> CH <sub>3</sub> | 0.275 vol%    | -1 ppm              |
| n-Hexane   | CH <sub>3</sub> (CH <sub>2</sub> ) <sub>4</sub> CH <sub>3</sub> | 0.3 vol%      | 0 ppm               |
| Nitrogen Dioxide   | NO <sub>2</sub>   | 50.5 ppm      | 1 ppm               |
| Nitrogen Monoxide  | NO  | 99.2 ppm      | 53 ppm              |
| Nonane   | CH <sub>3</sub> (CH <sub>2</sub> ) <sub>7</sub> CH <sub>3</sub> | 0.175 vol%    | 0 ppm               |
| Ozone  | O <sub>3</sub>  | 1.8 ppm       | 0 ppm               |
| Phosphine  | PH <sub>3</sub>   | 2.5 ppm       | 3 ppm               |
| Propane  | C <sub>3</sub> H <sub>8</sub>                                   | 0.5 vol%      | 0 ppm               |
| Propylene  | C <sub>3</sub> H <sub>6</sub>                                   | 5000 ppm      | 16 ppm              |
| Silane   | SiH <sub>4</sub>  | 29.9 ppm      | 27 ppm              |
| Sulfur Dioxide   | SO <sub>2</sub>   | 30 ppm        | 0 ppm               |
| Tetrahydrofuran  | C <sub>4</sub> H <sub>8</sub> O                                 | 0.5 vol%      | 0 ppm               |
| Toluene  | C <sub>6</sub> H <sub>5</sub> CH <sub>3</sub>                   | 3000 ppm      | 0 ppm               |
| Xylene   | C <sub>6</sub> H <sub>4</sub> (CH <sub>3</sub> ) <sub>2</sub>   | 2500 ppm      | 0 ppm               |
| *1 The indicated value may fluctuate when exposed to this gas. |   |               |                     |

Table 21: Interference Chart for ESR-A13P-CO, CO Detection

## ESR-A1CP-COH, H<sub>2</sub>-Compensated CO Detection

Table 22: Interference Chart for ESR-A1CP-COH, H<sub>2</sub>-Compensated CO Detection

| Gas                    | Chemical<br>Formula                          | Concentration | Indication<br>Value   |
|------------------------|--|---------------|-----------------------|
| Acetone                | C <sub>3</sub> H <sub>6</sub> O              | 0.54 vol%     | 1 ppm                 |
| Acetylene              | C <sub>2</sub> H <sub>2</sub>                | 100 ppm       | 109 ppm               |
| Ammonia                | NH <sub>3</sub>                              | 38.6 ppm      | 0 ppm                 |
| Benzene                | C <sub>6</sub> H <sub>6</sub>                | 0.30 vol%     | 0 ppm                 |
| Carbon Dioxide         | CO <sub>2</sub>                              | 20.0 vo1%     | 0 ppm                 |
| Chlorine               | Cl <sub>2</sub>                              | 2.0 ppm       | -1 ppm                |
| Cyclopentane           | C <sub>5</sub> H <sub>10</sub>               | 0.35 vol%     | 1 ppm                 |
| Ethane                 | C <sub>2</sub> H <sub>6</sub>                | 0.75 vol%     | 0 ppm                 |
| Ethanol                | C <sub>2</sub> H <sub>5</sub> OH             | 0.83 vol%     | 4 ppm <sup>*1</sup>   |
| Ethyl Acetate          | C <sub>4</sub> H <sub>8</sub> O <sub>2</sub> | 0.53 vol%     | 1 ppm                 |
| Fluorine               | F <sub>2</sub>                               | 1.6 ppm       | -1 ppm                |
| Hydrogen               | H <sub>2</sub>                               | 500 ppm       | 7 ppm                 |
| Hydrogen Bromide       | HBr  | 9.0 ppm       | 0 ppm                 |
| Hydrogen Chloride      | HC1  | 15.8 ppm      | 0 ppm                 |
| Hydrogen Sulfide       | H <sub>2</sub> S                             | 24.2 ppm      | 0 ppm                 |
| Isobutane              | i-C <sub>4</sub> H <sub>10</sub>             | 0.45 vol%     | 0 ppm                 |
| Isobuten               | C <sub>4</sub> H <sub>8</sub> O              | 1000 ppm      | 3 ppm                 |
| Isopropyl Alcohol      | C <sub>3</sub> H <sub>8</sub> O              | 0.50 vol%     | 0 ppm                 |
| Nitrogen Monoxide      | NO   | 99.2 ppm      | 53 ppm                |
| Nitrogen Dioxide       | NO <sub>2</sub>                              | 50.5 ppm      | 0 ppm                 |
| Methane                | CH <sub>4</sub>                              | 1.26 vol%     | 1 ppm                 |
| Methanol               | СН <sub>3</sub> ОН                           | 1.38 vol%     | 131 ppm <sup>*1</sup> |
| Methyl Ethyl Ketone    | C <sub>4</sub> H <sub>8</sub> O              | 0.45 vol%     | 0 ppm                 |
| Methyl Isobutyl Ketone | C <sub>6</sub> H <sub>12</sub> O             | 0.30 vol%     | 0 ppm                 |

| Gas   | Chemical<br>Formula                          | Concentration | Indication<br>Value  |
|---|--|---------------|----------------------|
| Methyl Methacrylate   | C <sub>5</sub> H <sub>8</sub> O <sub>2</sub> | 0.43 vol%     | 1 ppm                |
| n-Hexane  | n-C <sub>6</sub> H <sub>14</sub>             | 0.30 vol%     | 1 ppm                |
| Nonane  | n-C <sub>9</sub> H <sub>2</sub> O            | 0.18 vol%     | 0 ppm                |
| Ozone   | O <sub>3</sub>                               | 0.48 ppm      | 0 ppm                |
| Phosphine   | PH <sub>3</sub>                              | 2.51 ppm      | 3 ppm                |
| Propane   | C <sub>3</sub> H <sub>8</sub>                | 0.49 vol%     | 0 ppm                |
| Propylene   | C <sub>3</sub> H <sub>6</sub>                | 0.50 vol%     | 78 ppm <sup>*1</sup> |
| Sulfur Dioxide  | SO <sub>2</sub>                              | 25.0 ppm      | 1 ppm                |
| Tetrahydrofuran   | C <sub>4</sub> H <sub>8</sub> O              | 0.50 vol%     | 1 ppm                |
| Toluene   | C <sub>7</sub> H <sub>8</sub>                | 0.30 vol%     | 1 ppm                |
| Xylene  | C <sub>8</sub> H <sub>10</sub>               | 0.25 vol%     | 0 ppm                |
| <sup>*1</sup> The indicated value may fluctuate when exposed to this gas. |  |               |                      |

 Table 22: Interference Chart for ESR-A1CP-COH, H2-Compensated CO Detection

## **ESR-A1DP-COHS**, CO Detection

Table 23: Interference Chart for ESR-A1DP-COHS, CO Detection

| Gas                 | Chemical<br>Formula                               | Concentration | Indication<br>Value  |
|---------------------|---|---------------|----------------------|
| Acetone             | (CH <sub>3</sub> ) <sub>2</sub> CO                | 0.538 vol%    | -1 ppm               |
| Acetylene           | C <sub>2</sub> H <sub>2</sub>                     | 99.6 ppm      | 84 ppm               |
| Ammonia             | NH <sub>3</sub>                                   | 255 ppm       | 2 ppm                |
| Arsine              | AsH <sub>3</sub>                                  | 1.1 ppm       | 4 ppm                |
| Benzene             | C <sub>6</sub> H <sub>6</sub>                     | 0.3 vol%      | -1 ppm               |
| Carbon Dioxide      | CO <sub>2</sub>                                   | 100 vol%      | 8 ppm                |
| Chlorine            | Cl <sub>2</sub>                                   | 0.8 ppm       | -1 ppm               |
| Cyclopentane        | C <sub>5</sub> H <sub>10</sub>                    | 0.35 vol%     | 0 ppm                |
| Diborane            | B <sub>2</sub> H <sub>6</sub>                     | 5.25 ppm      | 2 ppm                |
| Ethane              | C <sub>2</sub> H <sub>6</sub>                     | 0.75 vol%     | 0 ppm                |
| Ethanol             | CH <sub>3</sub> CH <sub>2</sub> OH                | 0.825 vol%    | 25 ppm <sup>*1</sup> |
| Ethyl Acetate       | CH <sub>3</sub> COOH <sub>2</sub> CH <sub>3</sub> | 0.525 vol%    | 9 ppm <sup>*1</sup>  |
| Fluorine            | F <sub>2</sub>                                    | 1.6 ppm       | 0 ppm                |
| Gelmane             | GeH <sub>4</sub>                                  | 10.2 ppm      | 7 ppm                |
| Hydrogen            | H <sub>2</sub>                                    | 100 ppm       | 17 ppm               |
| Hydrogen Chloride   | HC1   | 11.7 ppm      | -1 ppm               |
| Hydrogen Cyanide    | HCN   | 1.8 ppm       | -1 ppm               |
| Hydrogen Selenide   | H <sub>2</sub> Se                                 | 1 ppm         | 2 ppm                |
| Hydrogen Sulfide    | H <sub>2</sub> S                                  | 30 ppm        | 2 ppm                |
| Isobutane           | C <sub>4</sub> H <sub>10</sub>                    | 0.45 vol%     | 0 ppm                |
| Isobuten            | (CH <sub>3</sub> ) <sub>2</sub> C=CH <sub>2</sub> | 1000 ppm      | 9 ppm                |
| Isopropyl Alcohol   | (CH <sub>3</sub> ) <sub>2</sub> CHOH              | 0.5 vol%      | 15 ppm <sup>*1</sup> |
| Methane             | CH <sub>4</sub>                                   | 1.25 vol%     | -1 ppm               |
| Methanol            | СН <sub>3</sub> ОН                                | 1000 ppm      | 10 ppm <sup>*1</sup> |
| Methyl Ethyl Ketone | C <sub>4</sub> H <sub>8</sub> O                   | 0.45 vol%     | -1 ppm               |

| Gas   | Chemical<br>Formula   | Concentration | Indication<br>Value  |
|---|---|---------------|----------------------|
| Methyl Isobutyl Ketone  | C <sub>6</sub> H <sub>12</sub> O                                | 0.3 vol%      | 0 ppm                |
| Methyl Methacrylate   | C <sub>5</sub> H <sub>8</sub> O <sub>2</sub>                    | 0.425 vol%    | 2 ppm                |
| n-Heptane   | CH <sub>3</sub> (CH <sub>2</sub> ) <sub>5</sub> CH <sub>3</sub> | 0.275 vol%    | -1 ppm               |
| n-Hexane  | CH <sub>3</sub> (CH <sub>2</sub> ) <sub>4</sub> CH <sub>3</sub> | 0.3 vol%      | 0 ppm                |
| Nitrogen Dioxide  | NO <sub>2</sub>   | 50.5 ppm      | 1 ppm                |
| Nitrogen Monoxide   | NO  | 99.2 ppm      | 38 ppm               |
| Nonane  | CH <sub>3</sub> (CH <sub>2</sub> ) <sub>7</sub> CH <sub>3</sub> | 0.175 vol%    | 0 ppm                |
| Ozone   | O <sub>3</sub>  | 1.8 ppm       | 0 ppm                |
| Phosphine   | PH <sub>3</sub>   | 2.5 ppm       | 3 ppm                |
| Propane   | C <sub>3</sub> H <sub>8</sub>                                   | 0.5 vol%      | 0 ppm                |
| Propylene   | C <sub>3</sub> H <sub>6</sub>                                   | 0.5 vol%      | 42 ppm <sup>*1</sup> |
| Silane  | SiH <sub>4</sub>  | 29.9 ppm      | 46 ppm               |
| Sulfur Dioxide  | SO <sub>2</sub>   | 30 ppm        | 3 ppm                |
| Tetrahydrofuran   | C <sub>4</sub> H <sub>8</sub> O                                 | 0.5 vol%      | 21 ppm               |
| Toluene   | C <sub>6</sub> H <sub>5</sub> CH <sub>3</sub>                   | 0.3 vol%      | 0 ppm                |
| Xylene  | C <sub>6</sub> H <sub>4</sub> (CH <sub>3</sub> ) <sub>2</sub>   | 0.25 vol%     | 0 ppm                |
| <sup>*1</sup> The indicated value may fluctuate when exposed to this gas. |   |               |                      |

Table 23: Interference Chart for ESR-A1DP-COHS, CO Detection

# ESR-A1DP-COHS, H<sub>2</sub>S Detection

| Gas               | Chemical<br>Formula                               | Concentration | Indication<br>Value |
|-------------------|---|---------------|---------------------|
| Acetone           | CH <sub>3</sub> COCH <sub>3</sub>                 | 0.538 vol%    | -0.1 ppm            |
| Acetylene         | C <sub>2</sub> H <sub>2</sub>                     | 99.6 ppm      | -0.1 ppm            |
| Ammonia           | NH <sub>3</sub>                                   | 250 ppm       | -0.1 ppm            |
| Arsine            | AsH <sub>3</sub>                                  | 1.1 ppm       | 0.5 ppm             |
| Benzene           | C <sub>6</sub> H <sub>6</sub>                     | 0.3 vol%      | -0.1 ppm            |
| Carbon Dioxide    | CO <sub>2</sub>                                   | 100 vol%      | -0.1 ppm            |
| Carbon Monoxide   | СО  | 1000 ppm      | 2.6 ppm             |
| Chlorine          | Cl <sub>2</sub>                                   | 0.8 ppm       | -0.1 ppm            |
| Cyclopentane      | C <sub>5</sub> H <sub>10</sub>                    | 0.35 vol%     | -0.1 ppm            |
| Diborane          | B <sub>2</sub> H <sub>6</sub>                     | 5.25 ppm      | 0.2 ppm             |
| Ethane            | C <sub>2</sub> H <sub>6</sub>                     | 0.75 vol%     | 0.0 ppm             |
| Ethanol           | CH <sub>3</sub> CH <sub>2</sub> OH                | 0.825 vol%    | 0.5 ppm             |
| Ethyl Acetate     | CH <sub>3</sub> COOH <sub>2</sub> CH <sub>3</sub> | 0.525 vol%    | -0.1 ppm            |
| Fluorine          | F <sub>2</sub>                                    | 1.6 ppm       | -0.1 ppm            |
| Gelmane           | GeH <sub>4</sub>                                  | 10.2 ppm      | 0.3 ppm             |
| Hydrogen          | H <sub>2</sub>                                    | 2000 ppm      | 1.3 ppm             |
| Hydrogen Chloride | HC1   | 11.7 ppm      | -0.2 ppm            |
| Hydrogen Cyanide  | HCN   | 1.8 ppm       | 0.0 ppm             |
| Hydrogen Selenide | H <sub>2</sub> Se                                 | 1 ppm         | 0.3 ppm             |
| Isobutane         | C <sub>4</sub> H <sub>10</sub>                    | 0.45 vol%     | -0.1 ppm            |
| Isobuten          | CH <sub>2</sub> CH(CH <sub>3</sub> ) <sub>2</sub> | 1000 ppm      | 0.1 ppm             |
| Isopropyl Alcohol | CH <sub>3</sub> C(OH)CH <sub>3</sub>              | 0.5 vol%      | 0.0 ppm             |
| Methane           | CH <sub>4</sub>                                   | 1.25 vol%     | -0.1 ppm            |
| Methanol          | CH <sub>3</sub> OH                                | 1.375 vol%    | 0.5 ppm             |

Table 24: Interference Chart for ESR-A1DP-COHS, H<sub>2</sub>S Detection

| Gas                    | Chemical<br>Formula   | Concentration | Indication<br>Value |
|------------------------|---|---------------|---------------------|
| Methyl Ethyl Ketone    | C <sub>4</sub> H <sub>8</sub> O                                 | 0.45 vol%     | 0.3 ppm             |
| Methyl Isobutyl Ketone | C <sub>6</sub> H <sub>12</sub> O                                | 0.3 vol%      | -0.1 ppm            |
| Methyl Methacrylate    | C <sub>5</sub> H <sub>8</sub> O <sub>2</sub>                    | 0.425 vol%    | -0.1 ppm            |
| n-Heptane              | CH <sub>3</sub> (CH <sub>2</sub> ) <sub>5</sub> CH <sub>3</sub> | 0.275 vol%    | -0.1 ppm            |
| n-Hexane               | CH <sub>3</sub> (CH <sub>2</sub> ) <sub>4</sub> CH <sub>3</sub> | 0.3 vol%      | -0.1 ppm            |
| Nitrogen Dioxide       | NO <sub>2</sub>   | 50.5 ppm      | -4.6 ppm            |
| Nitrogen Monoxide      | NO  | 99.2 ppm      | 6.0 ppm             |
| Nonane                 | CH <sub>3</sub> (CH <sub>2</sub> ) <sub>7</sub> CH <sub>3</sub> | 0.175 vol%    | 0.2 ppm             |
| Ozone                  | O <sub>3</sub>  | 1.8 ppm       | -0.1 ppm            |
| Phosphine              | PH <sub>3</sub>   | 2.5 ppm       | 1.5 ppm             |
| Propane                | C <sub>3</sub> H <sub>8</sub>                                   | 0.5 vol%      | -0.1 ppm            |
| Propylene              | C <sub>3</sub> H <sub>6</sub>                                   | 0.5 vol%      | -0.1 ppm            |
| Silane                 | SiH <sub>4</sub>  | 29.9 ppm      | 0.6 ppm             |
| Sulfur Dioxide         | SO <sub>2</sub>   | 30 ppm        | -0.1 ppm            |
| Tetrahydrofuran        | C <sub>4</sub> H <sub>8</sub> O                                 | 0.5 vol%      | 0.1 ppm             |
| Toluene                | C <sub>6</sub> H <sub>5</sub> CH <sub>3</sub>                   | 0.3 vol%      | -0.1 ppm            |
| Xylene                 | C <sub>6</sub> H <sub>5</sub> (CH <sub>3</sub> ) <sub>2</sub>   | 0.25 vol%     | -0.1 ppm            |

Table 24: Interference Chart for ESR-A1DP-COHS,  $H_2S$  Detection

# Warranty

RKI Instruments, Inc. warrants the GX-3R sold by us to be free from defects in materials, workmanship, and performance for a period of three years from the date of shipment from RKI Instruments, Inc. This includes the instrument and the original sensors. Replacement parts are warranted for 1 year from the date of their shipment from RKI Instruments, Inc. except for replacement sensors which are warranted for 3 years. Any parts found defective within their warranty period will be repaired or replaced, at our option, free of charge. This warranty does not apply to those items which by their nature are subject to deterioration or consumption in normal service, and which must be cleaned, repaired, or replaced on a routine basis. Examples of such items are:

- Absorbent cartridges
- Fuses
- Pump diaphragms and valves
- Batteries
- Filter elements, disks, or sheets

Warranty is voided by abuse including mechanical damage, alteration, rough handling, or repair procedures not in accordance with the instruction manual. This warranty indicates the full extent of our liability, and we are not responsible for removal or replacement costs, local repair costs, transportation costs, or contingent expenses incurred without our prior approval.

This warranty is expressly in Lieu of any and all other warranties and representations, expressed or implied, and all other obligations or liabilities on the part of RKI Instruments, Inc. including but not limited to the warranty of merchantability or fitness for a particular purpose. In no event shall RKI Instruments, Inc. be liable for indirect, incidental, or consequential loss or damage of any kind connected with the use of its products or failure of its products to function or operate properly.

This warranty covers instruments and parts sold to users only by authorized distributors, dealers, and representatives as appointed by RKI Instruments, Inc. We do not assume indemnification for any accident or damage caused by the operation of this gas monitor and our warranty is limited to replacement of parts or our complete goods.

# EU-Declaration of Conformity Document No.: 320CE23007



We, RIKEN KEIKI Co., Ltd. 2-7-6, Azusawa, Itabashi-ku, Tokyo, 174-8744, Japan declare under our sole responsibility that the following product conforms to all the relevant provisions.

### Product Name: Portable Gas Monitor Model: GX-3R

| Council Directives        |                | Applicable Standards  |
|---------------------------|----------------|---|
| 2014/34/EU                | ATEX Directive | EN IEC 60079-0:2018<br>EN 60079-1:2014<br>EN 60079-11:2012<br>EN 50303:2000 |
| 2014/30/EU                | EMC Directive  | EN 50270:2015   |
| 2011/65/EU <sup>[1]</sup> | RoHS Directive | EN IEC 63000:2018   |

<sup>[1]</sup>Including substances added by Commission Delegated Directive (EU) 2015/863

EU-Type examination Certificate No.

Notified Body for ATEX

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The marking of the product shall include the following:



Alternative Marking:

II 1 G Ex da ia IIC T4 Ga or Ex ia IIC T4 Ga and I M1 Ex da ia I Ma or Ex ia I Ma da ia:with thermo catalytic gas senor NCR-6309 ia:without thermo catalytic gas senor NCR-6309

Place: Tokyo, Japan

Date: Jan. 9, 2024

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Takakura Toshiyuki General manager Quality Control Center

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We, RIKEN KEIKI Co., Ltd. 2-7-6, Azusawa, Itabashi-ku, Tokyo, 174-8744 Japan declare under our sole responsibility that the following product conforms to all the relevant provisions.

Product Name: Battery Charger Model: BC-3R

| Council Directives        |                | Applicable Standards |
|---------------------------|----------------|----------------------|
| 2011/65/EU <sup>[1]</sup> | RoHS Directive | EN IEC 63000:2018    |

<sup>[1]</sup>Including substances added by Commission Delegated Directive (EU) 2015/863

Place: Tokyo, Japan

Date: Jun. 29, 2022

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## <u>GX-3R</u>

## 1. Safety information

Necessary information for explosion proof construction of Model GX-3R.

## Overview

The GX-3R can measure up to 4 gases using 3 sensors.

The GX-3R measures the combustible gases (LEL), oxygen (O2), hydrogen sulfide (H2S), and carbon monoxide (CO).

This model displays measurement results on an LCD and issue gas alarms (via LED and buzzer) as needed.

Gas sampling is by diffusion. The model does not have internal suction pumps.

#### **Power sources**

The GX-3R draws power from an integrated rechargeable Li-ion battery that is not userreplaceable.

A dedicated AC adapter is used for recharging the Li-ion battery.

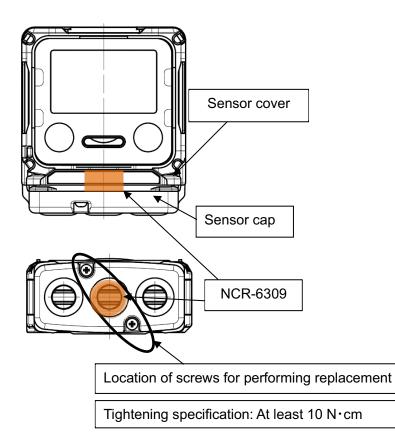
| Explosion proof<br>structure<br>Specification for<br>safety | Intrinsically safe explosion-proof construction and flame-proof<br>enclosures<br>Ex da ia I Ma , Ex da ia IIC T4 Ga (with combustible gas sensor<br>NCR-6309)<br>Ex ia I Ma , Ex ia IIC T4 Ga (without combustible gas sensor NCR-<br>6309)  |
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| Ambient temperature range                                   | -40°C to +60°C   |
| Ambient temperature range (for charging)                    | 0°C to +40°C   |
| Electrical data   | <ul> <li>Lithium-ion battery: Maxell rechargeable battery model no.<br/>ICP463048XS</li> <li>The battery should be charged with the dedicated AC adapter or<br/>by power from a IEC60950-certified SELV power source, or<br/>IEC62368-1-certified ES1 power source. The maximum voltage<br/>from the charger shall not exceed 6.3Vdc.</li> </ul> |
| Certificate numbers   | IECEx : IECEx DEK 17.0050 X  |
| List of standards   | <ul> <li>ATEX : DEKRA 17 ATEX 0103 X</li> <li>IEC 60079-0:2017</li> <li>IEC 60079-1:2014-06</li> <li>IEC 60079-11:2011</li> <li>EN60079-11:2012</li> <li>EN50303:2000</li> </ul>   |

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- Do not attempt to disassemble or modify the instrument.
- The combustible gas sensor NCR-6309, to measure LEL, is the only part of this Gas Monitor system with flame proof construction.
- This product is an explosion-proof product and is not to be disassembled or modified with the exception of specified parts.
- NCR-6309 must not be exposed to ultraviolet light.
- This product integrates a sensor having flameproof construction. If assembly is not performed as specified, explosion protection performance will be compromised. When replacing the sensor and filter, properly install genuine parts and torque to specification.
- If the enclosure is damaged it shall be repaired before further use.
- The Sensor shall not be exposed to ultraviolet light or used in equipment in which it is not fully enclosed.
- Do not charge in a hazardous location.
- Do not charge the unit with a non-genuine charger.

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- Do not give strong force or shock to NCR 6309. There is a danger that the flame proof performance will be damaged due to breakage etc. This sensor uses flame-proof conditions of "low" possibility of mechanical damage.
- The enclosures shall be protected against exposure to hydraulic liquids, oil or grease.



Maximum sensor surface temperature 82.6°C

## Instruments No.

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- A: Year of manufacture (0 to 9)
- B: Month of manufacture (1 to 9 for Jan.-Sep.; XYZ for Oct., Nov., Dec.)
- C: Manufacturing lot
- D: Serial number
- E: Factory codes



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