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Model 3950 and 3951

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* T/C is a thermal conductivity sensor.
** All units are 50/60 Hz.
Important Read this instruction manual. Failure to read, understand and follow the instructions in this manual may result in damage to the unit, injury to operating personnel, and poor equipment performance. ▲

Caution All internal adjustments and maintenance must be performed by qualified service personnel. ▲

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  2) tubing connections
  3) gas regulators
  4) gas tanks
  5) unit leveling
  6) room ventilation
  7) adverse ambient temperature fluctuations
  8) any repair external to the unit

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- **Repairs to parts or systems resulting from unauthorized unit modifications.**

- **Any labor costs other than that specified during the parts and labor warranty period, which may include additional warranty on CO₂ sensors, blower motors, water jackets, etc.**
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Figure 1-2. Side View

Figure 1-3. Back View

Figure 1-4. Top View
Control Panel Keys, Displays, & Indicators

Tank Low Indicator - Used with Gas Guard, lights when gas tank is low, if applicable.

Silence - Mutes the audible alarm. See Section 4 for ringback times.

Alarm Indicator - Light pulses on/off during an alarm condition in the cabinet.

Mode Select Switch - Used to select Run, Setpoints, Calibration and System Configuration Modes.

Message Center - Displays system status.

Mode Select Indicators -
- Run: Run Menu
- Set: Set Points Menu
- Cal: Calibrate Menu
- Config: Configuration Menu

Up and Down Arrows - Increases or decreases the number values, toggles between parameter values of the selected mode.

Enter - Stores the changed value into computer memory.

Heat Indicator - Lights when power is applied to the heaters.

Temp Display – Displays temperature continuously

Scroll for Parameters Arrows - Moves the operator through the parameters of the selected mode. Right arrow goes to next, left arrow goes to previous parameter.

CO₂ Inject Indicator - Lights when CO₂ is being injected into the incubator.

% CO₂ Display - Displays CO₂ percentage continuously.

Figure 1-4. Control Panel Components
Keypad Operation

The Model 3950 Series Reach-In Incubator has four basic modes that allow incubator setup: Run, Setpoints, Calibration and System Configuration.

- Run is the default mode during normal operation.
- Set is used to enter system setpoints.
- Calibration is used to calibrate various system parameters.
- Configuration allows for custom setup of various options.

The chart below shows the selections under each of the modes.

**Base Unit Displays
**Option Displays
Unit Installation

Caution Units must be installed against a wall or similar structure in an area of minimum ambient temperature fluctuation. A minimum of six (6) inches clearance is required at the top and back of the incubator plus a minimum three (3) inch clearance on each side for electrical, water and gas hook-ups. At least eight (8) inches clearance above the cabinet is required for service access.

Locate the unit on a firm level surface capable of supporting the unit weight of approximately 500 lbs.

Position the incubator away from doors and windows and heating and air conditioning ducts.

Warning This incubator weighs approximately 500 lbs. Have sufficient personnel available when moving.

Preliminary Cleaning and Disinfecting

Disinfect all interior surfaces with a general-use laboratory disinfectant, such as quaternary ammonium, to remove any residue from the production of the incubator. Rinse thoroughly with sterile distilled water, then 70% alcohol. Dry with a sterile cloth as needed. Disinfect the shelf channels and shelves, then rinse with distilled water before installing.

Caution Before using any cleaning or decontamination method except those recommended by the manufacturer, users should check with the manufacturer that the proposed method will not damage the equipment. Accidental spills of hazardous materials on or inside this unit are the responsibility of the user.

Installing the Shelves

The shelves may be installed at any level in the incubator. Install a shelf channel on each side. With the tabs pointing up, attach the channel by locating the rivet into a slotted hole, far end first. Pull the channel toward the front and slide the front rivet on the channel into the slotted hole and press down. Make sure that the channels are opposite each other so that the installed shelf will be level.

Leveling the Unit

Place a bubble-type level on a shelf inside the incubator. Adjust the feet as needed; counterclockwise to lengthen or clockwise to shorten. Level the unit front-to-back and left-to-right.
**Attaching the Drain Lines**

**Note** Drain connections on the back of the unit are shipped capped. If humidity is not required, the caps should be left on the drains.

If manual or gravity feed method is used for humidity in the cabinet, connecting the drains is optional.

If an in-house pure water supply is used to fill the reservoir, it is recommended that the drains be connected to a floor drain.

![Diagram of drain connections]

**Figure 1-6. Top View of Fitting Connections**

**The Water Supply**

For best operation of the incubator, sterilized distilled, demineralized or de-ionized water should be used in the humidity reservoir. Water purity should be in the resistance range of 50K to 1M Ohm/cm, or a conductivity range of 20.0 to 1.0 uS/cm. Refer to ASTM Standard D5391-93 or D4195-88 for measuring water purity.

Distillation systems, as well as some types of reverse osmosis water purity systems, can produce water in the quality range specified. Tap water is not recommended as it may contain chlorine, which can deteriorate the stainless steel. Tap water may also have a high mineral content, which would produce a build-up of scale in the reservoir. High purity or ultra pure water is not recommended as it is an extremely aggressive solvent and will deteriorate the stainless steel. High purity water has a resistance of above 1M to 18M Ohm. Even high purity water can contain bacteria and organic contaminants. Water should always be sterilized or treated with a decontaminant, safe for use with stainless steel as well as safe for the product, prior to being introduced into the humidity reservoir.
The Water Supply
(continued)

Caution Distilled or de-ionized water used in the humidity reservoir must be within a water quality resistance range of 50K to 1M Ohm/cm to protect and prolong the life of the stainless steel. Use of water outside the specified range will decrease the operating life of the unit and may void warranty.

The incubator is equipped with a liquid level float switch that detects low water levels in the humidity reservoir and produces an alarm condition. As all applications do not require humidity, this alarm can be disabled. To disable the ADD WATER alarm, see Section 3. If humidity is required in the current application, press the Silence key on the control panel to mute the alarm while the humidity reservoir is being filled.

Filling the Humidity Reservoir

There are three methods for filling the humidity reservoir; an in-house pure water supply, the manual and the gravity feed methods.

In-house Pure Water Supply

All incubators provide a connection for using an in-house water supply. Connect a low pressure (not more than 30 PSI) water line, equipped with a manual shut-off valve, to the inlet fitting on the float valve reservoir. The 1/4” hose connection is located on the rear of the incubator cabinet. With the water turned on, a float valve inside the incubator regulates the water level in the humidity reservoir. When the reservoir is full, a 10-second audible tone is heard and the ADD WATER message no longer displays.

Manual Method

This fill system consists of a funnel attached to the side duct sheet and tubing located inside the incubator. Disinfect the funnel and rinse with sterile water before using. This funnel may be moved to a preferred location by unscrewing the well nuts and disconnecting it from the sidewall. Tighten the nuts after relocation. The holes allotted for funnel use are slightly larger and in a centralized area. See Figure 1-6.

To fill the reservoir, pour sterile distilled water (approximately 2.5 gallons) into the funnel. When the float switch trips, a 10-second audible tone sounds and the ADD WATER message no longer displays. Add 1 gallon after the 10-second tone is heard.
(Optional carboy water fill system is also available. The carboy option kit includes an instruction sheet that details the installation of the system. See the serial tag on the side of the unit or the Specifications section for electrical specifications. Refer to the electrical schematics at the end of this manual.

**Gravity Feed Method**

An optional carboy water fill system is also available. The carboy option kit includes an instruction sheet that details the installation of the system.

**Connecting the Unit to Electrical Power**

See the serial tag on the side of the unit or the Specifications section for electrical specifications. Refer to the electrical schematics at the end of this manual.

**Warning** Connect the incubator to a grounded, dedicated circuit. The power cord connector is the mains disconnect device for the incubator. Position the incubator so the unit can be easily disconnected. ▲

Plug the provided power cord into the power inlet connector on the back of the cabinet, then into a grounded, dedicated electrical circuit.

The Model 3950 Series also has an internal outlet located on the right side of the interior back wall. The outlet is to provide power (230W maximum) to accessory equipment. This outlet is not to be used when the temperature is above 40°C and the RH more than 50%.
Connecting the CO₂ Gas Supply

**Warning** High concentrations of CO₂ gas can cause asphyxiation. OSHA Standards specify that employee exposure to carbon dioxide in any 8-hour shift of a 40-hour work week shall not exceed the 8-hour time weighted average of 5000 PPM (0.5% CO₂). The short-term exposure limit for 15 minutes or less is 30,000 ppm (3% CO₂). Carbon dioxide monitors are recommended for confined areas where concentrations of carbon dioxide gas can accumulate.

This incubator is designed for CO₂ gas only. Connecting a flammable or toxic gas could result in a hazardous condition. Gases other than CO₂ should not be connected to this equipment. CO₂ gas cylinders have a UN1013 label on the cylinder and are equipped with a CGA 320 outlet valve. Check the gas cylinder for the proper identification labels. The CO₂ gas supply being connected to the incubator should be industrial grade, 99.5% pure. Do not use CO₂ gas cylinders equipped with siphon tubes. A siphon tube is used to extract liquid CO₂ from the cylinder, which can damage the pressure regulator. Consult with your gas supplier to ensure that the CO₂ cylinder does not contain a siphon tube. Gas cylinders should also be secured to a wall or other stationary object to prevent them from tipping.

A two-stage CO₂ pressure regulator is required to be installed on the outlet valve of the gas cylinder. Input pressure to the incubator must be maintained at 15 psig (103.4 kPa) for proper performance of the CO₂ control system. A single stage CO₂ pressure regulator will not maintain 15 psig (103.4 kPa) to the incubator as the pressure in the CO₂ cylinder decreases; therefore, a two-stage regulator is recommended.

If higher purity CO₂ is desired inside the incubator (greater than 99.5% pure), the pressure regulator should be constructed with a stainless steel diaphragm, along with specifying the purity of the CO₂ from the gas supplier. Follow the manufacturer’s instructions to ensure proper and safe installation of the pressure regulator on the gas cylinder. Consult your facility safety officer to ensure that the equipment is installed in accordance with the codes and regulations applicable in your area.

The CO₂ gas supply being connected should be industrial grade 99.5% pure and should not contain siphon tubes. Install a two-stage pressure regulator at the cylinder outlet. The high pressure gauge at the tank should have 0-2000 psig range. The low pressure gauge, at the incubator inlet, should have a 0-30 psig range. Input pressure to the incubator must be maintained at 15 psig (103.4 kPa), ±5 psig.

**Caution** Each tank should be connected to one incubator only.
Connecting CO₂ Gas Supply (continued)

The incubator has serrated fittings on the back of the cabinet to connect the gas supply (Figure 1-2). The fitting is labeled CO₂ Inlet #1 Tank. Secure connections with clamps. Check all fittings for leaks.

For units having the CO₂ Gas Guard option, refer to Section 6.

Incubator Start-Up

With the incubator properly installed, connected to power, the humidity reservoir filled and the unit connected to a gas supply, system setpoints can be entered. The following setpoints can be entered in Set Mode: Temperature, Overtemperature and CO₂. To enter Set Mode, press the Mode key until the Set indicator lights. Press the right and/or left arrow keys until the proper parameter appears in the message display center. See Chart 1-1 for more detail.

Setting the Operating Temperature

This incubator has an operating temperature setpoint range of 5.0°C above ambient to 60.0°C. It is shipped from the factory with a temperature setpoint of 10.0°C. At this setting, all heaters are turned off. To change the operating temperature setpoint:

1. Press the Mode key until the Set indicator lights.
2. Press the right arrow until “Temp XX.X” is displayed in the message center.
3. Press up/down until the desired temperature setpoint is displayed.
4. Press Enter to save the setpoint.
5. Press the Mode key until the Run indicator lights for Run mode or press the right/left arrow keys to go to next/previous parameter.

Caution Any equipment placed inside chamber must be rated for unit operating temperature and humidity. ▲
Setting the Overtemp Setpoint

Warning The independent overtemp system is designed as a safety to protect the incubator only. It is not intended to protect or limit the maximum temperature of the cell cultures or customer’s equipment inside the incubator if an overtemp condition occurs.

All Model 3950 Series incubators are equipped with a secondary temperature monitoring system to monitor the air temperature inside the cabinet. This system is designed as a safety device to turn off all heaters in the event of a temperature control failure. The temperature control point in the incubator will be approximately ±1°C of the overtemp setpoint.

The overtemp setpoint is set by the factory (default) at 40°C. However, the overtemp can be reset over a range from 0.5°C above the operating temperature setpoint to 65°C.

If the incubator’s operating temperature setpoint is set above the overtemp setpoint, the overtemp setpoint will automatically update to 1°C above the temperature setpoint. It is recommended that the overtemp setpoint be maintained at 1°C over the operating temperature setpoint.

To set the Overtemp setpoint:

1. Press the Mode key until the Set indicator lights.
2. Press the right arrow until Otemp XX.X is displayed in the message center.
3. Press the up or down arrow until the desired Otemp setpoint is displayed.
4. Press Enter to save the setting.
5. Press the Mode key until the Run indicator lights, or press the right or left arrow to go to the next or previous parameter.

Setting the CO₂ Setpoint

All CO₂ cells are calibrated at the factory at 37°C, medium humidity and 10% CO₂. Therefore, if a temperature setpoint of 37°C has been entered, the humidity reservoir has been filled and the CO₂ control is set to run between 0-10%, the CO₂ setpoint may be entered immediately. Otherwise, it is important to allow the unit 12 hours to stabilize at the temperature setpoint before entering the CO₂ setpoint.
Setting the CO₂ Setpoint (continued)

All models of the incubator have a CO₂ setpoint range of 0.0% to 20.0%. The incubator is shipped from the factory with a CO₂ setpoint of 0.0%. At this setting, all CO₂ control and alarms are turned off.

To change the CO₂ setpoint:

1. Press the Mode key until the Set indicator lights.
2. Press the right arrow until “CO₂ XX.X” is displayed in the message center.
3. Press the up/down arrow until the desired CO₂ setpoint is displayed.
4. Press Enter to save the setpoint.
5. Press the Mode key until the Run indicator lights to go to Run mode, or press the right/left arrow keys to go to next/previous parameter.
Section 1
Installation and Start-Up

Chart 1-1

Set Mode

Press MODE to light SET

To Set:

Operating Temperature

Over Temperature

Percent CO₂

Press MODE to move to CALIBRATE mode

Press to return to previous parameter

Press to return to previous parameter

Press to return to previous parameter

Numbers increase

Press Enter to save setting

Numbers decrease

Press Enter to save setting

Numbers decrease

Press Enter to save setting

Numbers decrease

Press Enter to save setting

Press Enter to save setting
Section 2 Calibration

After the unit has stabilized, several different systems can be calibrated. In the calibration mode, the air temperature, CO₂ and RH levels can be calibrated to reference instruments. To access the calibration mode, press the Mode key until the Cal indicator lights. Press the right and/or left arrow until the proper parameter appears in the message center. See Chart 2-1 at the end of this section for more detail.

Calibration frequency is dependent on use, ambient conditions and accuracy required. A good laboratory practice would require at least an annual calibration check. On new installations, all parameters should be checked after the stabilization period.

Prior to calibration, the user should be aware of the following system functions. While the unit is in the calibration mode, all system control functions are stopped so the unit remains stable. Readout of the system being calibrated will appear on the message center. If no keys are pressed for approximately five minutes while in Calibration mode, the system will reset to Run mode so control functions are reactivated.

**Caution** Before making any calibration or adjustments to the unit, it is imperative that all reference instruments be properly calibrated. ▲

Calibrating the Temperature

Before calibration, allow the cabinet temperature to stabilize. Place the calibrated instrument in the center of the chamber. The instrument should be in the airflow, not against the shelf.

Temperature Stabilization Periods

**Start-Up** - Allow 12 hours for the temperature in the cabinet to stabilize before proceeding.

**Presently Operating** - Allow at least 2 hours after the display reaches setpoint for temperature to stabilize before proceeding.
Section 2  
Calibration

Calibrating the Temperature (cont.)

1. Press the Mode key until Cal indicator lights.

2. Press the right arrow until “TEMPCAL XX.X” appears in the message center.

3. Press the up/down arrow to match the display to the calibrated instrument.

4. Press Enter to store calibration.

5. Press the Mode key to return to Run or the right/left arrow to go to next/previous parameter.

Calibrating the CO₂ System

Model 3950 Series incubators have a CO₂ sensor. The incubator atmosphere is not only effected by the quantity of CO₂ present but also by the air temperature and water vapor present in the incubator atmosphere. In monitoring the effects of CO₂, air temperature and absolute humidity must be held constant so any change is caused by a change in CO₂ concentration.

Changing temperature or changing from elevated humidity to room ambient humidity levels will require re-calibration of the CO₂ control.

CO₂ Sensor Stabilization Periods

Start-Up - The CO₂ sensor has been calibrated at the factory for 37°C and elevated humidity. Allow the temperature, humidity and CO₂ levels in the chamber to stabilize at least 12 hours before checking the CO₂ concentration with an independent instrument.

Presently Operating - Make sure the chamber doors are closed. Allow at least 2 hours after the temperature and CO₂ displays reach their setpoints for chamber atmosphere stabilization.
**Calibrating the CO₂ System (continued)**

1. Make sure the stabilization periods outlined above are followed.

2. Sample the chamber atmosphere through the sample port with an independent instrument. Sample the atmosphere at least 3 times to ensure accuracy of the instrument.

3. Press the Mode key until the Cal indicator lights.

4. Press the right arrow until “CO2 CAL XX.X” is displayed in the message center.

5. Press the up /down arrows to change the display to match the independent instrument.

6. Press Enter to store the calibration.

7. Press the Mode key to return to Run or the right or left arrows to go to the next/previous parameter.
Section 2
Calibration

Chart 2-1

Calibrate Mode

Press MODE to light CAL

To Calibrate:

Operating Temperature

Press MODE to move to SYS CONFIG mode

Press to return to previous parameter

CO₂

Press to return to previous parameter

Press MODE to move to SYS CONFIG mode

Press to return to previous parameter

To Calibrate:

Operating Temperature

Press MODE to move to SYS CONFIG mode

Press to return to previous parameter

CO₂

Press to return to previous parameter

Press MODE to move to SYS CONFIG mode

Press to return to previous parameter

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Chart 2-1
Section 3 Configuration

Several features available in Configuration Mode allow custom setup of the incubator. These features are listed and described below. All features may not be necessary in all applications, but are available if needed. To enter Configuration mode, press the Mode key until the Config indicator lights. Press the right and/or left arrow until the appropriate parameter appears in the message center. See Chart 3-1 at the end of this section for more detail.

### Disable the ADD WATER Alarm

All applications do not require humidity. For this reason, the ADD WATER alarm can be disabled. The factory default for the ADD WATER alarm is ON.

1. Press Mode key until Config indicator lights.
2. Press right arrow until H2O ALM XXX is displayed in message center.
3. Press up/down arrow to toggle H2O ALM ON or OFF.
4. Press Enter to save the setting.
5. Press Mode key to return to Run mode or right/left to go to next/previous parameter.

**Note** Verify that the RH HIGH feature is set to OFF after disabling the ADD WATER alarm. ▲

### Turn All Audible Alarms ON/OFF

The audible alarms can be turned on or off. The factory setting is ON.

1. Press Mode key until Config indicator lights.
2. Press right arrow until AUDIBLE XXX is displayed in message center.
3. Press up/down arrow to toggle AUDIBLE ON/OFF.
4. Press Enter to save the setting.
5. Press Mode key to return to Run mode or right/left to go to next/previous parameter.
Section 3
Configuration

Set an Access Code
A 3-digit Access Code can be entered to avoid unauthorized personnel from changing the setpoints, calibration, or configuration. A setting of 000 will bypass the access code. The factory setting is 000.

1. Press the Mode key until the Config indicator lights.

2. Press the right arrow until ACC CODE XXX is displayed in the message center.

3. Press up or down arrow to change the access code.

4. Press Enter to save the access code.

5. Press the Mode key to return to the Run mode or right/left to go to next/previous parameter.

Set a Low Temp Alarm Limit
The low temperature alarm limit (tracking alarm) is the deviation from the temperature setpoint, which will cause a low temp alarm. The low temp alarm is variable from 0.5° below setpoint to 5.0° below setpoint. The factory setting is 1.0° below setpoint. A minus sign in the display indicates that the alarm setting is below the setpoint.

1. Press the Mode key until the Config indicator lights.

2. Press the right arrow until TEMP LO -X.X is displayed in the message center.

3. Press up/down arrow to change the low temp alarm limit.

4. Press Enter to save the low temp alarm limit.

5. Press the Mode key to return to Run mode or right/left to go to next/previous parameter.
Enable Temp Alarms to Trip Relay Contacts

The temperature alarms can be programmed to trip the remote alarm contacts. A setting of ON will cause this, a setting of OFF will not allow temperature alarms to trip the contacts. The factory setting is ON.

1. Press the Mode key until the Config indicator lights.
2. Press the right arrow until TMP RLY XXX is displayed.
3. Press the up/down arrow to toggle the setting ON/OFF.
4. Press Enter to save the setting
5. Press the Mode key to return to Run or the right/left arrow key to go to next/previous parameter.

Set Low CO₂ Alarm Limit

The low CO₂ alarm limit (tracking alarm) is the deviation from the CO₂ setpoint, which will cause a low CO₂ alarm. The setpoint is variable from 0.5 % CO₂ below setpoint to 5.0 % CO₂ below setpoint. The factory setting is 1.0 % CO₂ below setpoint. A minus in the display indicates that the alarm setting is below the setpoint.

1. Press the Mode key until the Config indicator lights.
2. Press the right arrow until CO₂ LO -X.X is displayed in the message center.
3. Press up/down arrow to change the low CO₂ alarm limit.
4. Press Enter to save the low CO₂ alarm limit.
5. Press the Mode key to return to Run mode or right/left to go to next/previous parameter.
**Set High CO₂ Alarm Limit**

The high CO₂ alarm limit (tracking alarm) is the deviation from the CO₂ setpoint, which will cause a high CO₂ alarm. The setpoint is variable from 0.5 % CO₂ above setpoint to 5.0 % CO₂ above setpoint. The factory setting is 1.0 % CO₂ above setpoint.

1. Press the Mode key until the Config indicator lights.
2. Press the right arrow until CO₂ HI X.X is displayed in the message center.
3. Press up/down arrow to change the high CO₂ alarm limit.
4. Press Enter to save the high CO₂ alarm limit.
5. Press the Mode key to return to run mode or right/left to go to next/previous parameter.

**Enable CO₂ Alarms to Trip Relay Contacts**

High and Low CO₂ alarms can be programmed to trip the remote alarm contacts. A setting of ON will cause this, a setting of OFF will not allow CO₂ alarms to trip the contacts. The factory setting is ON.

1. Press the Mode key until the Config indicator lights.
2. Press the right arrow until CO₂ RLY XXX is displayed in the message center.
3. Press up/down arrow to toggle the setting ON/OFF.
4. Press Enter to save the setting.
5. Press the Mode key to return to Run Mode or right/left to go to next/previous parameter.
Set New Zero # and Span # for CO₂ Sensors

If a new T/C CO₂ sensor is being installed, the two numbers on the factory installed sticker on the cell must be entered to calibrate the CO₂ in the unit.

**Note** For the technician’s convenience, a second label containing the two numbers is supplied with the new T/C cell and should be affixed over the original label, inside the electronics drawer.

1. Press the Mode key until the Config indicator lights.

2. Press the right arrow until T/C ZR# XXXX is displayed in the message center.

3. Press up/down arrow to change the zero number to match the sticker.

4. Press Enter to save the setting.

5. Press the right arrow until T/C SP# XXXX is displayed in the message center.

6. Press up/down arrow to change the span number to match the sticker.

7. Press Enter to save the setting. Pressing Enter will erase any CO₂ Cal offset value previously entered into the Calibration menu.

8. Press the Mode key to return to Run mode or right/left to go to next/previous parameter.
Enable the High Humidity Feature

In normal operation, the incubator will maintain the humidity level above 80%. If a higher RH level is required, the RH HIGH feature may be turned ON. This allows the heater attached to the humidity reservoir to be enabled, resulting in RH levels above 90%. The factory default for the RH HIGH feature is OFF.

1. Press the Mode key until the Config indicator lights.
2. Press the right arrow until RH HIGH XXX is displayed in the message center.
3. Press up/down arrow to toggle RH HIGH ON or OFF.
4. Press Enter to save the setting.
5. Press the Mode key to return to Run mode or right/left to go to next/previous parameter.

Note Verify that the ADD WATER alarm is set to ON after enabling the RH HIGH feature. ▲

Select a Primary Tank w/Gas Guard Option

On units equipped with the Gas Guard option, a primary tank can be selected. The primary tank will be either Tank 1 or 2. The factory setting is Tank 1.

1. Press the Mode key until the Config indicator lights.
2. Press the right arrow until TANK SEL X is displayed in the message center.
3. Press the up/down arrow to toggle the setting between 1 and 2.
4. Press Enter to save the setting.
5. Press the Mode key to return to Run mode or right/left to go to next/previous parameter.
**Disable the Gas Guard System**

On units equipped with the Gas Guard option, the Gas Guard system may be turned ON, or OFF if it is not in use. The factory setting is ON.

1. Press the Mode key until the Config indicator lights.
2. Press the right arrow until GAS GRD XX is displayed in the message center.
3. Press up/down arrow to toggle the setting ON/OFF.
4. Press Enter to save the setting.
5. Press the Mode key to return to Run mode or right/left to go to next/previous parameter.

**Set RS485 Address**

On units that have the RS485 option, direct communication with the Model 1535 alarm system can be established. Each piece of equipment connected to the 1535 must have a unique address. An address of 0-24 can be entered for the incubator. A setting of 0 is an invalid address that the 1535 will ignore. The factory setting for the RS485 address is 0.

1. Press the Mode key until the Config indicator lights.
2. Press the right arrow until 485 ADDR XX is displayed in the message center.
3. Press up/down arrow to move the RS485 address.
4. Press Enter to save the RS485 address.
5. Press the Mode key to return to Run mode or right/left to go to next/previous parameter.
To Configure:

**Water Alarm ON/OFF**
- Enable water alarm (ON)
  - Press MODE to light CONFIG
  - Press MODE to return to RUN mode
  - Press to return to previous parameter
  - Press Enter to save the setting
- Disable water alarm (OFF)
  - Press Enter to save the setting
  - Press Enter to save the setting

**Audible ON/OFF**
- Turn ON audible alarm
  - Press MODE to light CONFIG
  - Press MODE to return to RUN mode
  - Press to return to previous parameter
  - Press Enter to save the setting
- Turn OFF audible alarm
  - Press Enter to save the setting
  - Press Enter to save the setting

**Access Code**
- Numbers increase
  - Press ENTER to save the setting
  - Press ENTER to save the setting
  - Press ENTER to save the setting
- Numbers decrease
  - Press ENTER to save the setting
  - Press ENTER to save the setting
  - Press ENTER to save the setting

**Low Temp Alarm Limit**
- Enable relay contacts (ON) during temp alarms
  - Press ENTER to save the setting
  - Press ENTER to save the setting
  - Press ENTER to save the setting
- Disable relay contacts (OFF) during temp alarms
  - Press ENTER to save the setting
  - Press ENTER to save the setting
  - Press ENTER to save the setting

**Temp Relay ON/OFF**
- Numbers increase
  - Press ENTER to save the setting
  - Press ENTER to save the setting
  - Press ENTER to save the setting
- Numbers decrease
  - Press ENTER to save the setting
  - Press ENTER to save the setting
  - Press ENTER to save the setting

**CO₂% Low Limit**
- Numbers increase
  - Press ENTER to save the setting
  - Press ENTER to save the setting
  - Press ENTER to save the setting
- Numbers decrease
  - Press ENTER to save the setting
  - Press ENTER to save the setting
  - Press ENTER to save the setting

**CO₂% High Limit**
- Numbers increase
  - Press ENTER to save the setting
  - Press ENTER to save the setting
  - Press ENTER to save the setting
- Numbers decrease
  - Press ENTER to save the setting
  - Press ENTER to save the setting
  - Press ENTER to save the setting

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To Configure:

**CO₂ Relay ON/OFF**

Press to return to previous parameter

Enable relay contacts (ON) during CO₂ alarms
Press Enter to save the setting
Disable relay contacts (OFF) during CO₂ alarms
Numbers increase
Press Enter to save the setting
Numbers decrease
Press Enter to save the setting

**T/C Zero Number**

Press to return to previous parameter

**T/C Span Number**

Press to return to previous parameter

**CO₂ Display ON/OFF**

Press to return to previous parameter

Enable CO₂ display (ON)
Press Enter to save the setting
Disable CO₂ display (OFF)
Numbers increase
Press Enter to save the setting
Numbers decrease
Press Enter to save the setting

**RH High ON/OFF**

Press to return to previous parameter

Enable RH High (ON)
Press Enter to save the setting
Disable RH High (OFF)
Tank 1 prime
Press Enter to save the setting
Tank 2 prime
Press Enter to save the setting

**Primary Tank Select**

Press to return to previous parameter

**Gas Guard ON/OFF**

Press to return to previous parameter

Enable Gas Guard (ON)
Press Enter to save the setting
Disable Gas Guard (OFF)
Numbers increase
Press Enter to save the setting
Numbers decrease
Press Enter to save the setting

**RS485 Address**

Press to return to previous parameter

Numbers increase
Press Enter to save the setting
Numbers decrease
Press Enter to save the setting

**Chart 3-1**

Press Enter to save the setting

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Refer to previous page
Section 4 Alarms

The Model 3950 Series incubator is equipped with a system that notifies the user of an alarm condition inside the incubator. All alarms display in the control panel message center. The following table contains information on all possible system alarms.

Table 4-1. Alarms

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>Description</th>
<th>Message Code</th>
<th>Delay</th>
<th>Ringback</th>
<th>Relay</th>
</tr>
</thead>
<tbody>
<tr>
<td>No alarm condition exists</td>
<td>SYSTEM OK</td>
<td>-----</td>
<td>-----</td>
<td>-----</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Temp &gt; Otemp Set point</td>
<td>SYS IN OTEMP</td>
<td>0 min.</td>
<td>15 min.</td>
<td>Yes</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Air Temp Sensor Fault (See Section 4.2)</td>
<td>AIR SNSR ERR</td>
<td>0 min.</td>
<td>15 min.</td>
<td>No</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Temperature Controller Failure (See Section 4.2)</td>
<td>TMP CTRL ERR</td>
<td>0 min.</td>
<td>YES</td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>CO2 Sensor Fault (See Section 4.2)</td>
<td>CO2 SNSR ERR</td>
<td>0 min.</td>
<td>15 min.</td>
<td>No</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Water Level in Reservoir is Low</td>
<td>ADD WATER</td>
<td>0 min.</td>
<td>15 min.</td>
<td>No</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Inner Door is Open</td>
<td>DOOR IS OPEN</td>
<td>15 min.</td>
<td>15 min.</td>
<td>No</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>CO2 &gt; CO2 High Tracking Alarm</td>
<td>CO2 IS HIGH</td>
<td>15 min.</td>
<td>15 min.</td>
<td>Programmable</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>CO2 &lt; CO2 Low Tracking Alarm</td>
<td>CO2 IS LOW</td>
<td>15 min.</td>
<td>15 min.</td>
<td>Programmable</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>TEMP &lt; TEMP Low Tracking Alarm</td>
<td>TEMP IS LOW</td>
<td>15 min.</td>
<td>15 min.</td>
<td>Programmable</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Tank 1 is low, switch to Tank 2 (Gas Guard only)</td>
<td>TANK1 LOW</td>
<td>0 min.</td>
<td>-----</td>
<td>No</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Tank 2 is low, switch to Tank 1 (Gas Guard only)</td>
<td>TANK2 LOW</td>
<td>0 min.</td>
<td>-----</td>
<td>No</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Both tanks are low (Gas Guard only)</td>
<td>TANK 1 and 2 LOW</td>
<td>0 min.</td>
<td>15 min.</td>
<td>No</td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>

All alarm delays and ringback times are ±30 seconds.

To avoid alarms going off in day-to-day use, some alarms are equipped with a time delay feature. For this to function correctly, the alarm condition must exist for the specified length of time before the message center will display the alarm. This allows for interruptions, such as door openings, to occur without incubator being in a continuous state of alarm.

When an alarm condition exists, press the Silence key to temporarily mute the audible alarm. The message center continues to show the alarm condition. If the alarm condition is not corrected within a specified length of time, the alarm sounds again or “ringback” to remind the user.

When multiple alarm conditions occur, active messages are displayed in the display center one at a time, updating at 5-second intervals. Pressing Silence during multiple alarms causes all active alarms to be muted and to ringback in 15 minutes.
Sensor Fault Alarms

The microprocessor in Model 3950 Series incubators continually scans all available sensors to ensure that they are operating properly. Should an error be detected, the incubator will sound an alarm and display the appropriate message. If such an alarm occurs, contact your local distributor or the Technical Services Department.
**PREVENTIVE MAINTENANCE**

**Incubators**

Your equipment has been thoroughly tested and calibrated before shipment. Regular preventive maintenance is important to keep your unit functioning properly. The operator should perform routine cleaning and maintenance on a regular basis. For maximum performance and efficiency, it is recommended the unit be checked and calibrated periodically by a qualified service technician.

The following is a condensed list of preventive maintenance requirements. See the specified section of the operating manual for further details.

We have qualified service technicians, using NIST traceable instruments, available in many areas. For more information on Preventive Maintenance or Extended Warranties, please contact Technical Services.

Cleaning and calibration adjustment intervals are dependent upon use, environmental conditions and accuracy required.

**Tips for all incubators:**
- Do NOT use bleach or any disinfectant that has high chlorine content
- Use sterile, distilled or demineralized water.
- Do not use powdered gloves for tissue cultures.

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### Preventive Maintenance for Model 3950 Series Incubators

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>Refer to Manual Section</th>
<th>Action</th>
<th>Daily</th>
<th>Weekly</th>
<th>Yearly</th>
</tr>
</thead>
<tbody>
<tr>
<td>1</td>
<td>Check CO₂ tank levels.</td>
<td>✓</td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>1</td>
<td>Check CO₂ and temperature display versus setpoints, w/ independent instrument</td>
<td></td>
<td>✓</td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>--</td>
<td>Inspect door latch, hinges and door gasket seal.</td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td>✓</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>2</td>
<td>Verify and document CO₂ and temp calibration, as applicable. See Calibration section.</td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td>✓</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>1 &amp; 5</td>
<td>Perform a complete decontamination procedure. Wipe down interior, shelves and side panels with disinfectant. Drain water reservoir and wipe down with disinfectant. Rinse everything well with sterile distilled water.</td>
<td>Between experiments</td>
<td>More frequent decontamination may be required, depending on use and environmental conditions</td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Figure 6-5</td>
<td>*Change CO₂ filter (under normal conditions)</td>
<td></td>
<td>✓</td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>1</td>
<td>Check operation of the float assembly and water level switch</td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td>✓</td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>

* Qualified service personnel
Section 5 Maintenance

**Warning** If the unit has been in service, turn it off and disconnect the power cord connector before proceeding with any maintenance. ▲

**Caution** Before using any cleaning or decontamination method not recommended by manufacturer, users should check with manufacturer that the proposed method would not damage the equipment. ▲

**Cleaning**

The chamber interior may be cleaned with a general-use laboratory disinfectant or alcohol.

The cabinet exterior may be cleaned with soap and water or any non-abrasive commercial glass cleaner. The Thermopane glass door may be cleaned with commercial glass cleaner or with a solution of ammonia and water.

**Warning** Alcohol, even a 70% solution, is volatile and flammable. Use it only in a well ventilated area that is free from open flame. If any component is cleaned with alcohol, do not expose the component to open flame or other possible hazard. ▲

**Caution** Do not use strong alkaline or caustic agents. Stainless steel is corrosion resistant, not corrosion proof. Do not use solutions of sodium hypochlorite (bleach) as they may cause pitting and rust. ▲

**Cleaning the Glass Doors**

The chamber glass door and the optional independent inner doors may be cleaned using the same disinfectant as used on the incubator interior. It is imperative that they be rinsed with sterile distilled water to remove the disinfectant residue. The doors should then be dried with a sterile soft cloth.
Cleaning the Glass Doors (continued)

Some precautions in the cleaning and care of the incubator glass doors: Moisture leaches alkaline materials (sodium, Na) from the surface of the glass. Evaporation of the moisture concentrates the alkaline and may produce a white staining or clouding of the glass surface. Cleaning chemicals with a PH above 9 accelerate the corrosion process. Therefore, it is very important to rinse and dry the glass doors after cleaning.

There is no simple method for repairing corroded glass. In most cases, the glass must be replaced.

Cleaning the Humidity Reservoir

Periodic cleaning of the humidity reservoir beneath the incubator floor is recommended in order to remove bacteria, fungi or any accumulated mineral deposits.

1. Turn off and/or disconnect the water supply to the humidity reservoir.

2. Attach a drain fitting and hose to the drain port on the back of the unit. Run the hose to an appropriate drain.

3. With an adjustable wrench, remove the brass overflow fitting located at the rear of the humidity reservoir. Allow reservoir to drain. Reservoir holds approximately 4 gallons (15.4 L).

4. Disassemble the hose bracket from the incubator floor.

5. Remove the 8 screws securing the floor. Using the circular black plastic grommet, slide the floor outward to expose the humidity reservoir.

6. Remove any remaining water and sediment from the reservoir with a clean sponge.

7. Clean the reservoir with a general-use laboratory disinfectant. Rinse well with sterile distilled water and wipe dry with a clean cloth.

Note On reassembly, brass overflow fitting must be checked for leaks.

Caution Use of chlorinated water, or decontamination products containing chlorine, will deteriorate the stainless steel and cause rust, voiding the warranty.

Caution Do not use strong alkaline or caustic agents. Stainless steel is corrosion resistant, not corrosion proof.
**Replacing the Power Fuses**

**Warning** De-energize all potential sources of energy to this unit and lockout/tagout their controls. (O.S.H.A Regulation, Section 1910-147.)

**Warning** High voltage is present behind control panel. The remote overtemp alarm system should be installed only by qualified electrical service personnel.

There are only two replaceable fuses in the incubator.

1. Turn off the incubator’s power switch and unplug the power cord.
2. Remove the top of the unit to access the fuses.
3. Refer to Figure 6-5 for the location of the two fuses.
4. Install the top cover and return the unit to service. If the fuse(s) blow after restoring power to the incubator, contact the Technical Services Department.

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>Fuse Voltage and Application</th>
<th>Manufacturers Part #</th>
<th>Amp Rating</th>
<th>Rupture Speed</th>
<th>IEC Letter Code</th>
</tr>
</thead>
<tbody>
<tr>
<td>115 VAC Accessory Outlet</td>
<td>GMC-1A</td>
<td>1.0 Amp</td>
<td>Time-Lag</td>
<td>T</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>230 VAC Accessory Outlet</td>
<td>GMC-500mA</td>
<td>0.5 Amp</td>
<td>Time-Lag</td>
<td>T</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>115 VAC Interior Outlet</td>
<td>GMC-2.5A</td>
<td>2.5 Amp</td>
<td>Time-Lag</td>
<td>T</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>230 VAC Interior Outlet</td>
<td>GMC-1.5A</td>
<td>1.5 Amp</td>
<td>Time-Lag</td>
<td>T</td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>

**Discarding/Removing Incubator from Service**

**Caution** Federal regulations require that doors be removed from incubators before units are removed from service or discarded.

**Caution** When operating this unit under high temperatures and/or relative humidity (RH), caution must be observed when the unit is shut down, unexpectedly or by choice. Condensate can form on the interior of the chamber as it cools. This includes the heating element surfaces. Heavy condensate can bridge the ceramic insulators and cause a temporary electrical short to ground. This electrical circuit is protected by a circuit breaker. However, to avoid this contingency if these conditions occur, open the door of the unit and allow it to stand open until the water vapor disperses.
Section 6 Factory Options

Instructions for connecting the incubator to external equipment follow.

Connect the Remote Alarm Contacts

A set of relay contacts is provided to monitor alarms through a RJ-11 telephone style connector on the back of the unit. Refer to Figure 6-3 for the location of the alarm connector. The 12-foot telephone cord (P/N 190388) and RJ11-to-screw terminal conversion box (190392) are available through the Technical Services Department.

The remote alarm provides a NO (normally open) output, an NC (normally closed) output and COM (common). Refer to Figure 6-1.

The contacts will trip on a power outage or an overtemperature condition. The contacts may also be programmed to trip or not trip on temperature alarms and CO₂ alarms. See Section 3, Configuration Mode.

![Alarm Contacts Junction Box](image)

All outputs shown in alarm condition

**Figure 6-1. Remote Alarm Outputs**

**CAUTION**

Contains Parts and Assemblies Susceptible to Damage by Electrostatic Discharge (ESD)
All incubator models can be purchased with the RS485 communications option. This option allows the incubator to be directly connected to a Model 1535 alarm system without the use of a communications module. A junction box is provided with each RS485 option. Refer to Figure 6-2 for wiring details. Figure 6-3 shows the location of the RS485 connector on the back of the incubator.

To allow the incubator and the 1535 to communicate, an address must be allocated on the 1535. Refer to Section 5.8 of the 1535 operating manual. The same address number must be assigned to the incubator. Refer to Section 3, Configuration Mode, of this manual.

**Figure 6-2.** RS485 Interface Wiring

**Figure 6-3.** RS485 Connector Location on Unit Back
**Warning** The electronics section contains hazardous voltages. Only qualified electrical service personnel should access this area.

The analog output board is an option that allows the incubator to output analog signals representing the air temperature and CO₂ content of the incubator interior. There are three different analog output board options available: 0-1V, 0-5V or 4-20mA signals. Negative display readings will output 0V. The outputs do not have isolated grounds. See Table 6-1 for output specifications of the three boards.

### Table 6-1. Analog Output Board Specifications

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th></th>
<th>190512 4-20 mA Output Scaling 4-20mA Equals</th>
<th>190544 0-1V Output Scaling 0-1V Equals</th>
<th>190543 0-5V Output Scaling 0-5V Equals</th>
</tr>
</thead>
<tbody>
<tr>
<td>Temperature</td>
<td>0.0-100.0 °C</td>
<td>0.0-100.0 °C</td>
<td>0.0-100.0 °C</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>CO₂</td>
<td>0.0-100.0 %CO₂</td>
<td>0-100.0 %CO₂</td>
<td>0-100.0 %CO₂</td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>

For the 0-1V and 0-5V boards, the recording device must supply a load \(\geq 1000\) ohm. For the 4-20mA board, the recorder must supply a load of \(\leq 100\) ohm.

To wire in the analog output board, the shielded 22 gauge, 3-conductor wire, Part # 73041, is recommended, maximum length 50 ft (15.2m). This wire is also readily available from other vendors including Alpha, Part #2403, and Deerborn, Part # 972203.

**Caution** Accuracy of the output at the board terminal strip to the incubator display is ±1 unit. There is no calibration from the incubator. Calibration to the incubator display must be at the instrument connected to the output board.

To access the analog board:

1. Turn off the incubator and disconnect it from the power source.
2. Remove the top of the incubator.
3. Locate the Analog Output board.

*(continued)*
4. Strip the ends of the conductor and wire it to the appropriate terminals of connectors J2 on the analog board. Refer to Figure 6-4.

![Figure 6-4. Terminals on Analog Board](image)

5. Route the wires through the auxiliary hole located on the back of the unit. See Figure 6-3 and Figure 6-5.

6. When wiring is completed, replace the unit top and return the unit to service.

**CO₂ Gas Guard**  
*(P/N 1900000)*

**Warning** CO₂ can be lethal in high concentrations. Refer to the warnings in Section 1 of this manual.

The 3950 Series incubators can be equipped with a built-in Gas Guard system that will operate with a CO₂ gas supply. The Gas Guard uses two pressure switches to continuously monitor the pressures of two independent CO₂ supplies and automatically switches from one supply to the other when the supply pressure drops below 10 psig (0.690 bar). Do not use the Gas Guard with multiple incubators.
**CO₂ Gas Guard (continued)**

The CO₂ gas supplies must be equipped with two-stage pressure regulators with gauges. The high pressure gauge at the tank should have a 0-2000 psig range and the low pressure gauge should have a 0-30 psig range. The gas supply to the incubator must be maintained at 15 psig (1.034 bar). Gas pressures below 15 psig will cause nuisance alarms to occur on incubators equipped with the built-in Gas Guard.

**Connect CO₂ Gas Supplies**

The CO₂ inlets for the Gas Guard are located on the back of the unit. Using 1/4” ID tubing, connect one of the CO₂ supply tanks to the fitting labeled CO2 Inlet #1 Tank. Connect the second CO₂ supply tank to the fitting labeled CO2 Inlet #2 Tank. Install 3/8” hose clamps to secure the 1/4” ID tubing to the fittings. Refer to Figure 6-6.

![Figure 6-6. CO₂ Connections on Unit Back](image)

**De-activate Gas Guard**

The built-in Gas Guard is turned ON when shipped from the factory. The tank selected (Tank Sel) has been specified as Tank 1. Refer to Section 3 Configuration, to de-activate the Gas Guard or change Tank Sel from #1 to #2. If the Gas Guard system is not used, the incubator functions normally by supplying CO₂ from the supply tank connected to Inlet #1.

**Operation of CO₂ Gas Guard**

With the Gas Guard in operation, the incubator uses the gas supplied by the tank connected to Inlet #1 until pressure drops below 10 psig (68.95 kPa). At this time, the Gas Guard automatically switches to gas supplied through CO2 Inlet #2.

In addition, the incubator automatically changes Tank Sel in Configuration Mode from 1 to 2 to indicate that the incubator is now using gas supplied through Inlet #2. If the gas supply to Inlet #1 is replenished, the incubator continues to operate using the gas supplied through Inlet #2 unless the operator changes Tank Sel from #2 to #1 through Configuration Mode. Refer to Section 3, Configuration.
Audible and visual alarms occur on the control panel when the gas guard switches from one supply to the other. The audible alarm sounds until the operator presses the Silence key on the control panel. The visual alarm in the Message Center reads 'Tank 1 Low' while the audible alarm is sounding, but the message is removed when the operator presses the Silence key. However, the ‘Tank Low’ indicator on the control panel stays lit until the condition is resolved. The unit operates normally.

**Caution** Both the audible and visual alarms described above do not ring back once the Silence key is pressed. ▲

If the Gas Guard system does not detect an adequate gas supply at CO2 Inlet #1 or Inlet #2, a visual and audible alarm again occurs on the control panel. The visual alarm in the Message Center reads ‘Tank 1&2 Low’. The audible alarm continues to ring until the Silence key is pressed. The audible alarm rings back every 15 minutes after the alarm is silenced, if the Gas Guard continues to detect that both gas supply pressures are below 10 psig (68.95 kPa).

**Inner Doors**
Align the shelves and shelf channels with each of the inner doors to facilitate introduction and removal of trays. Clean these doors with the same care as the single door. See Section 5.

**Shaker Support Shelves**
Shaker support shelves are reinforced and secured to the walls of the incubator. They have a load limit of (1) shaker or 200 pounds per shelf, one shelf being the floor of the unit. The shaker platform limit is 50 pounds. Shakers must not exceed 250 rpm when used inside this incubator. For shaker power connection, an internal outlet in the upper right corner of the back wall is installed. Casters are installed at the factory for moving the cabinet to the desired location. After the unit is in place and prior to operation, the casters must be removed. The large rubber vibration feet, factory installed, are positioned correctly for operation. Do not adjust.

**Caution** Any equipment placed inside the chamber must be rated for unit operating temperature and humidity. ▲
Section 7 Specifications

*Specifications are based on nominal voltages of 115V or 230V in ambient temperature of 22°C to 25°C.

Temperature

- Control: ±0.1°C Microprocessor PID
- Setpoint: Digital – Touch Pad, 0.1°C
- Range: +5°C above ambient to 60°C
- Uniformity: ±0.3°C @ +37°C
- Tracking Alarm: User programmable (low) indicator
- Overtemp: Tracking, user programmable, action and indicator
- Display: Digital, LED, 0.1°C increments

Temperature Safety

- Type: Extreme temperature safety, action and indicator
- Sensor: Thermostat, independent of temperature control system
- Indicator: Message center, audible and visual alarms

Relative Humidity

- Selectable Ranges: Medium (>80%), High (>90%)

CO₂

- Control: ±0.1% microprocessor PID
- Sensor: Thermal conductivity
- Readability: 0.1%
- Range: 0 to 20%
- Inlet Pressure: 15 PSIG (±5 PSIG)
- Display: Digital LED, 0.1% increments
Shelves
- Dimensions: 30.62” W x 25.81” F-B (77.78 cm x 65.56 cm)
- Construction: Solid stainless steel, 2B finish
- Surface Area: 5.4 sq. ft (0.51 sq. m) per shelf
- Max per Chamber: 145.8 sq. ft (13.55 sq. m)
- Standard: 5 (shipped with unit)
- Maximum: 27 (maximum)
- Clearance: Adjustable on 2” (5 cm) centers

Construction
- Interior volume: 29 cu ft (823 liters)
- Interior: 304 stainless steel, 2B finish
- Exterior: 18-gauge cold rolled steel
- Exterior Door: Heated, triple pane tempered glass
- Outer Door Gasket: Molded vinyl
- Insulation: 2” fiberglass

Fittings
- Access Port: 2.4” (6.1 cm) ID, one port per side
- CO₂ Inlet: 1/4” barbed
- Sample Port: Front mount, 1/4” barbed
- Water Inlet: 1/4” MPT for automatic fill
- Overflow Drain: 3/8” MPT
- Condensate Drain: 3/8” FPT

Electrical
- Model 3950: 100-120VAC, 50/60Hz, 1 PH, 10.0 FLA
- Operating Range, including fluctuations - 90-125V, 50-60Hz, 15A Breaker power switch
- Model 3951: 200-230VAC, 50/60Hz, 1 PH, 6.0 FLA
- Operating Range, including fluctuations - 180-250V, 50-60Hz, 8A Breaker power switch
- Power Switch: 2-pole circuit breaker
- Accessory Outlet: Voltage equal to the cabinet input, 75W max., 0.5mA leakage current
- Interior Outlet: Voltage equal to cabinet input, 230W max, 0.5mA leakage current
- Remote Alarm Contacts: Deviation of temperature, CO₂ & power. N.O. & N.C.
Unit BTU Output

115V/230V: .......................... 510 BTUH (150W)

Dimensions

Exterior ............................. 38.0” W x 80.0” H x 33.0” F-B
........................................ (96.5 cm x 203.2 cm x 83.8 cm)

Interior ............................. 31.0” W x 60.0” H x 27.0” F-B
........................................ (78.7 cm x 152.4 cm x 68.6 cm)

Weight ................................. 500 lbs. (226.8 kg)

Safety Specifications

Altitude: .............................. Up to 2,000 meters
Temperature: ........................ 5°C to 40°C
Humidity . . . Maximum 80% RH for temperatures up to 31°C, decreasing linearly to 50% RH at 40°C non-condensing.
Mains Supply Fluctuations . . . not to exceed ±10% of nominal voltage
Installation Category II
Pollution Degree 2
Class of Equipment I

1  Installation category (overvoltage category) defines the level of transient overvoltage which the instrument is designed to withstand safely. It depends on the nature of the electricity supply and its overvoltage protection means. For example, in CAT II which is the category used for instruments in installations supplied from a supply comparable to public mains such as hospital and research laboratories and most industrial laboratories, the expected transient overvoltage is 2500V for a 230V supply and 1500V for a 120V supply.

2  Pollution degree describes the amount of conductive pollution present in the operating environment. Pollution degree 2 assumes that normally only non-conductive pollution such as dust occurs with the exception of occasional conductivity caused by condensation.
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### COMPONENT MOUNT ASSEMBLY

Exploded Drawing
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1. APPLY A SMALL AMOUNT OF 737 SILICONE TO THREADS OF SENSOR.
2. SCREW SENSOR ONTO BOTTOM OF ASSEMBLY.
3. PLACE GASKET (orange w/o hole) ONTO ASSY.
4. PLACE ASSEMBLE ONTO POLY CAP.
5. APPLY A SMALL AMOUNT OF SILICONE TO EXTERIOR THREADS ON TOP PART OF ASSEMBLY INSTALLED IN TOP OF UNIT.
6. SECURE BOTTOM ASSEMBLY TO TOP ASSEMBLY. FINGER TIGHT.
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