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Water Quality Meter**

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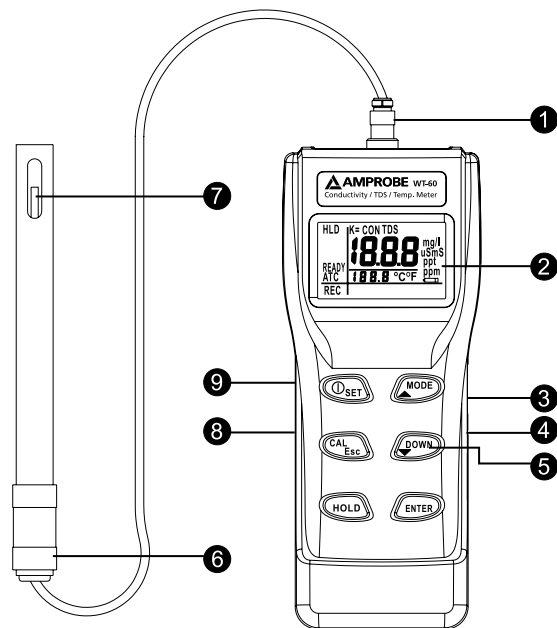
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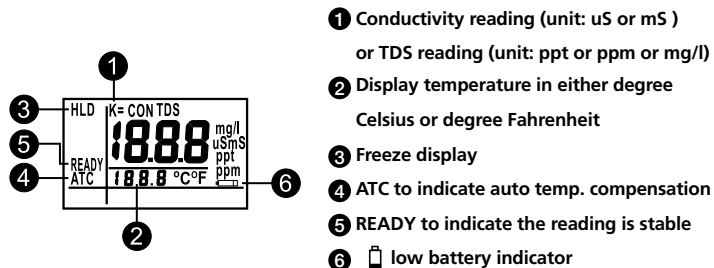
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## WT-60 Conductivity / TDS Water Quality Meter



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|-----------------------------|---------------------------------|
| ❶ Probe socket              | ❸ Adaptor port                  |
| ❷ LCD display               | ❹ USB port                      |
| ❺ Operation keys            | ❺ Tripod mount hole (rear side) |
| ❻ Probe                     |                                 |
| ❼ Temperature sensor        |                                 |
| ❽ Battery cover (rear side) |                                 |



**POWR/SET KEY:** Press key to turn on and off the meter.  
When the meter is on, hold down for > 2 seconds to enter setting (SET) mode.



**CAL/ESC KEY:** Press key > 2 seconds to enter calibration mode. While in calibration or setting mode, press to return to previous mode.



**HOLD KEY:** Press key to freeze current reading. Press again to unlock. When the meter is off, press SET+HOLD simultaneously > 1 second to disable auto-sleep mode.



**MODE KEY:** Press this key to switch Cond. & TDS. Press > 2 seconds to manually set range. In setting or calibration mode, press to increase value.



**DOWN KEY:** Press to record current reading. In setting mode, press to decrease the value.



**ENTER KEY:** In setting or calibration mode, press to confirm and enter next step.

## **WT-60 Conductivity / TDS Water Quality Meter**





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## SYMBOL

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	Caution ! Refer to the explanation in this Manual
	Conforms to relevant Australian standards
	Complies with European Directives
	Do not dispose of this product as unsorted municipal waste.

### **Warning and precaution**

- Do not make the air bubble adhere on the electrode. That may cause inaccurate reading.
- Do not operate the meter in flammable liquid.

## UNPACKING AND INSPECTION

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Your Shipping carton should include:

- 1 WT-60 Conductivity / TDS Water Quality Meter
- 1 Probe
- 4 AAA batteries
- 1 User's Manual

If any of the items are damaged or missing, return the complete packag to the place of purchase for an exchange.

## INTRODUCTION

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Congratulations on your purchase of WT-60 Conductivity/TDS water quality meter. Conductivity measurements are used extensively in many industries. For example, conductivity measurements are used to monitor quality in public water supplies, in hospitals, in boiler water and industries which depend on water quality such as brewing. WT-60 is a convenient instrument to measure water conductivity, TDS and temperature.

### Features

- Dual display with ATC (°C / °F switchable)
- Data hold to freeze display
- Selectable conductivity to TDS conversion factor
- USB download capabilities
- Low battery indicator.
- Auto power off
- Maximum 5 calibration points

### OPERATION

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#### Conductivity Measurement

##### 1. Select range:

Meter is defaulted at "auto-ranging" which determines and selects the range and gives the greatest resolution and accuracy. Alternatively, you can manually select by pressing **MODE** >2 seconds. 5 ranges for selection and "rAn" (auto ranging). It cycles from 1 to 5 and get back to auto. (Fig. 1)

Fig. 1



##### 2. Automatic Temperature Compensation:

The meter is defaulted as ATC on. To disable ATC, refer to programming setting P1.3 and P3.3 for manual temp. compensation.

##### 3. ASetting correct temperature coefficient:

Factory default is 2.1% per C (temperature coefficient) and this provides good results for most applications. Refer P3.1 if a different value is needed.

##### 4. Select normalization temperature:

Factory default is 25 °C. Refer P3.2 if a different value is needed.

5. Rinse the probe with deionized or distilled water to remove any impurity adhering to electrode body. If the electrode isn't used for a long time, please soak probe for more than 8 hours to clear up the lazy effect of the probe.
6. Dip the probe into the sample. Make sure no air bubbles are trapped on the slot of the probe. To remove air bubbles, stir the probe mildly and make sure the electrode tip is submerged.
7. Stir the probe gently to create a homogenous sample.
8. Take readings. When the reading is stable, "**READY**" will display on the left-middle LCD.

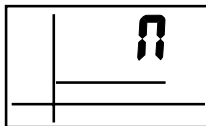
#### **TDS Measurement**

1. Set a correct TDS conversion factor. Factory default is 0.50. Refer P1.1 if a different value is needed. See Appendix A & B for more information.
2. Select range & ATC/manual TC per your application.
3. Take readings. Press "**MODE**" to switch to TDS mode and get the reading.

#### **Auto power off**

This meter will shut off automatically 20 minutes of inactivity. To disable the auto power off, pressing "**SET**" + "**HOLD**" keys simultaneously while turning on the meter until a "n" appeared on the screen and then release keys to return to normal mode. (Fig.2)

Fig. 2



## Setup

The advanced setup mode lets you customize your meter.  
4 types parameter are available.

### P1.0: Meter configuration: (CoF)

P1.1:TDS factor(tdS)

P1.2: READY indicator:(rdy)

P1.3: ATC or Manual TC: (Atc)

### P2.0: Unit :(Unt)

P2.1 select OC or OF:(t)

P2.2 select ppm or mg/L: (tdS)

### P3.0: temperature parameters: (t)

P3.1: Temperature coefficient:(tCo)

P3.2: Normalization temperature:(nor)

### P4.0: View calibration data (CAL)

### P5.0: Electrode data:(ELE)

### P7.0: Reset to factory default setting(rSt)

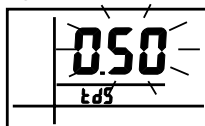
### P1.0: Meter configuration: (CoF)

P1.1: TDS factor (tdS):

The dissolved salts increases conductivity but the effect varies from sal to salt and is roughly linear in a given range for a given salt. The TDS conversion factor is used to convert conductivity into TDS.

In P1.0, press **ENTER** to enter P1.1. Press again to see TDS factor flashes on LCD (Fig.3). Press **UP/DOWN** to change the value from 0.40 to 1.00. The default value is 0.50. Press **ENTER** to confirm and enter P1.2.

Fig. 3



**P1.2: READY indicator: (rdy)**

Meter is defaulted as "ON". Icon displays when measurement gets stable. Users can turn it off for faster response. Press **UP /DOWN** to switch "on" and "off". Press **ENTER** to confirm and enter P1.3.

**P1.3: ATC or Manual TC: (Atc)**

Meter is defaulted as ATC on. Press **UP/DOWN** to switch on and off. Press **ENTER** to confirm and return to P1.0.

**P2.0: Unit : (Unt)**

**P2.1: Select °C or °F:(t)**

Select P2.0 and press **ENTER** to P2.1. Default unit oC is blinking on LCD. Press **UP/DOWN** to switch oC and oF. Press **ENTER** to confirm and enter P2.2.

**P2.2: Select ppm or mg/L: (tdS)**

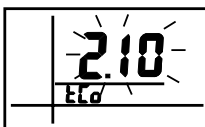
The default TDS unit "ppm" blinks on LCD. Press **UP/ DOWN** to switch between ppm and mg/l, Press **ENTER** to confirm and return to P2.0.

**P3.0: temperature parameters: (t)**

**P3.1: Temperature coefficient: (tCo)**

The temp. coefficient (expressed in percent per °C) is the changed ratio of conductivity per degree of temp..The adjustable range is 0.0 per °C to 10.00 % per °C. The default is 2.10% per °C. 0.0% has no effect on temp. So the displayed value is the same as actual temperature. Select P3.0 and press **ENTER** to enter P3.1.Press **ENTER** again and Temperature Coefficient flashes on LCD (Fig.4). Press **UP/DOWN** to change the value from 0.0 to 10.0. Press **ENTER** to confirm and enter P3.2.

Fig. 4



**P3.2: Normalization temperature: (nor)**

The meter will normalize its cond. measurement to a standard temp. which you preset. The adjustable range is 15 to 30 °C (59 to 86 °F). Meter default is 25 °C (77°F). When in P3.2, press **ENTER** again and the default normalization temperature flashes on LCD. Press **UP/DOWN** to change the value from 15.0 to 30.0 °C. Press **ENTER** to confirm and enter P3.3. For more information of temperature effect on measurement, refer to Appendix C.

**P3.3: Manual temp. Compensation: (Int)**

When ATC is disabled, you can manually enter the temp.value of solution. Any temperature between 0 and 50 °C (32 to 122 °F) is selectable. Meter default is 25 °C (77°F). When in P3.3, press **ENTER** again and the default manual temperature 25.0°C blinks on LCD. Press **UP/DOWN** to change the value. Press **ENTER** to confirm and return to P3.0.

**P4.0: V iew calibration data (CAL)**

Recall previous calibration data and help to know when is needed to re-calibrate. It's for "Review" purpose only In P4.0, press **ENTER** repeatedly to view P4.1to P4.5, and it returns P4.0 after 4.5 P4.1 is calibration data for range 1, P4.2 is for range 2, .....P4.5 is for range 5. If no previous calibration data at particular range, the display will show " - - -".

**P5.0: Electrode data: (ELE)**

To check the probe cell constant value for diagnostic purposes. The cell constant is adjusted according to your calibration. In P5.0, press **ENTER** repeatedly to view P5.1 to P5.5 , and it returns to P5.0 after P5.5. P5.1 is the cell constant value for range 1. P5.2 is for range 2, .... P5.5 is for range 5.

**P7.0: Reset to factory default setting (rSt)**

**P7.1: Meter reset (rSt)**

Reset all parameters to factory default. This function will clear all calibration data and all setup value you've done. In P7.0, press **ENTER** to enter P7.1. Press **UP/DOWN** to select "n"-NO or "y"-YES. Press **ENTER** to confirm and return to P7.0. To completely recalibrate a meter or using a replacement probe, it is suggested to clear all calibration data in memory.

## Calibration Mode

### Selecting a calibration standard

For best results, select a conductivity or TDS standard near the sample value you are measuring. Alternatively, use a calibration solution value which is approximate 2/3 of the full scale of the measurement range you plan to use. For example, in the 0 to 1999  $\mu\text{S}$  range, use 1413  $\mu\text{S}$  solution for calibration. DO NOT reuse the calibration solution. Contaminants in the solution will affect the calibration and the accuracy.

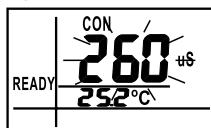
### When to do the calibration?

Calibration is necessary and should be done regularly. If measure the mid-ranges, calibrate the meter at least once a month. Soak the probe for 15 mins before calibration or measurement can saturate the probe surface and minimize drift. If measure the extreme temperatures or special concentration ( $<100\mu\text{S}$  or  $>2\text{mS}$ ), calibrate the meter at least once a week to get specified accuracy.

### Conductivity calibration

1. Dip the probe into demineralized or distilled water for about 30 minutes to rinse the probe.
2. Select the conductivity standard for calibration.
3. Pour enough solution into two separate clean containers.
4. Power on the meter. Select the mode as conductivity measurement mode.
5. Rinse the probe into one of above containers. Gently stir the probe.
6. Dip the rinsed probe into the second container. Tap probe on the bottom of container to remove air bubbles. Wait about 15 mins to make the probe stabilize to the solution temperature.
7. Press **CAL** > 2 seconds to begin calibration. The conductivity value of solution will blink on LCD (Fig.5).

Fig. 5



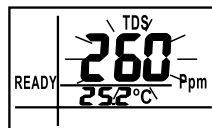
8. Press **UP/DOWN** to change the value in order to match the value to the standard solution (solution must be referred to normalization temp. 20°C if P3.2 has re-adjusted as 20°C). You can adjust the conductivity reading for +20%. However, if the measured value and standard value differs by more than 20%, it is suggested to clean probe or replace meter.
9. When calibration is stable, "**READY**" will display on LCD, press **SET** to confirm and return to conductivity measurement mode. If "**READY**" doesn't show, check if the calibration solution is stable enough and whether the step 8 input value is correct or not.
10. Repeat 1~9 for other ranges if needed.
11. To exit conductivity calibration mode without confirming, press "**ESC**" in step 9.

#### TDS calibration

##### **Option1: Using TDS standards**

1. Dip the probe into demineralized or distilled water for about 30 minutes to rinse the probe.
2. Select the TDS standard for calibration. The factory default setting of the TDS conversion factor is 0.50. You can improve the calibration accuracy by setting the TDS factor before starting the calibration. Please refer Appendix A for more information of TDS conversion factor.
3. Pour enough solution into two separate & clean containers.
4. Turn on the meter. Press "**MODE**" to select TDS mode.
5. Rinse the probe into one of the containers. Gently stir the probe.
6. Dip the rinsed probe into the second container. Tap the probe on the bottom of container to remove air bubbles. Let the probe stabilize to the solution temperature.
7. Press **CAL** >2 seconds to begin the calibration. The TDS value will blink on the LCD (Fig.6).

Fig. 6



8. Press the **UP/DOWN** to adjust the value to match the value to the standard solution.
9. When calibration is stable, "**READY**" will display on LCD, press **SET** to confirm and return to TDS measurement mode
10. Repeat 1~9 for other ranges if needed.

#### **Option2: Using Conversion Factors**

TDS values are related to conductivity. You can calibrate the meter by using conductivity standards as described above and then program the meter with a given conversion factor. Please refer to setting P1.1.

### **SPECIFICATION**

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#### **Range**

**Cond. (uS/cm):** 0~19.99, 0~199.9, 0~1999

**(mS/cm):** 0~19.99, 0~199.9

**TDS (ppm):** 0~19.99, 0~199.9, 0~1999

**(ppt):** 0~19.99, 0~199.9

**Resolution:** 0.05% Full Scale

**Accuracy:** 1% Full Scale $\pm$ 1digit

**TDS factor:** 0.40~1.00

**Calibration Standard:** (0.3~1) \* Full Scale

#### **Range**

**ATC:** 0~80°C / 32~176°F

**Temperature Range:** 0~93°C / 32~199°F

**Temperature Res.:** 0.1°C/°F

**Temperature Accuracy:**  $\pm$ 0.6°C(<50°C), +1°C (>50°C)

**Temp. Coefficient:** 0.0~10.0% per degree C

**Normalization Tempe.:** 15.0~30.0°C

**Cell Constant:** 1.0

**Operation temp.:** 0~50°C / 32~122°F

**Power Requirements:** 4pcs1.5V (Type: AAA)




EMC: Conforms to EN61326-1. This product complies with requirements of the following European Community Directives: 89/ 336/ EEC (Electromagnetic Compatibility) and 73/ 23/EEC (Low Voltage) as amended by 93/ 68/ EEC (CE Marking). However, electrical noise or intense electromagnetic fields in the vicinity of the equipment may disturb the measurement circuit. Measuring instruments will also respond to unwanted signals that may be present within the measurement circuit. Users should exercise care and take appropriate precautions to avoid misleading results when making measurements in the presence of electronic interference.

## MAINTENANCE AND REPAIR

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If there appears to be a malfunction during the operation of the meter, the following steps should be performed in order to isolate the cause of the problem.

1. Check the battery. Replace the battery immediately when the symbol "  " appears on the LCD.
2. Review the operating instructions for possible mistakes in operating procedure.

Except for the replacement of the battery, repair of the meter should be performed only by a Factory Authorized Service Center or by other qualified instrument service personnel. The front panel and case can be cleaned with a mild solution of detergent and water. Apply sparingly with a soft cloth and allow to dry completely before using. Do not use aromatic hydrocarbons, Gasoline or chlorinated solvents for cleaning.

Make sure the electrode is clean! Between measurements, rinse the electrode with deionised water. If the electrode has been exposed to a solvent immiscible with water, clean it with a solvent miscible with water e.g. ethanol or acetone and rinse carefully with water. Store the electrode carefully! Before storing, rinse it carefully in deionized water and store DRY.

### Battery Replacement

1. Turn off the meter and open the battery cover.
2. Replace the old batteries with four new AAA batteries.

## USB PC INTERFACE CAPABILITIES

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The USB cable and software are required to transfer data to a pc. The USB port is located on the right side of the instrument. The USB cable is not included. it can be purchased separately as an optional accessory. The protocol is:

Format: C\*\*\*. \*\*uS(mS):t\*\*\*. \*C(F):D\*\*\*. \*\*ppm(ppt)LRCCRLF

**Baud rate:** 9600 bit/sec

**Data bit:** 8

**Stop bit:** 1

**Parity:** none

## TROUBLESHOOTING

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### Power on but no display

- Make sure you press power key more than > 0.3 Second.
- Check the battery conditions and replace if necessary.
- Move batteries away for one minute and then re-install.

### Display disappear

- Check whether the low battery icon is appeared before the display is off.  
If yes, replace with new batteries.

### Air bubbles adhere on electrode

- Stir the electrode completely and better to dip the electrode into solution at oblique angle. After soaking the electrode for 15~30 minutes, inspect the electrode carefully to make sure no bubbles adhere.
- If air bubbles still exist, tap the bottom of the container gently and stir the electrode to remove the air bubbles. If above method are not working, remove the electrode out of solution and blow at the electrode to remove the air bubbles.

**Error code****Parameter: Conductivity**

"E01", Probe is disconnected or damaged.

- Check the probe socket. If E01 still appears, replace probe.

"E02", Conductivity value is over the range limit or meter is damaged.

- Put the meter in standard solution. If E02 still appears, send back for repair.

"E03", Conductivity value is over the range limit or meter is damaged.

- Put the meter in standard solution. If E03 still appears, send back for repair.

"E04", Caused by temp. reading error.

- Refer to error code of temp. After solving the error of temp, E04 will disappear.

"E32", Caused by IC memory error.

- send back for repair.

"E41", Caused by meter configuration error.

- Re-program the meter with correct setting.

**Parameter: TDS**

"E04", Caused by temp. or conductivity error.

- Refer to error code of temp. & conductivity. After solving the error of temp. & conductivity, E04 will disappear.

**Parameter: TDS**

"E01", Temperature circuit is damaged.

- send back for repair.

"E02", Temp value is lower than range limit or temp. circuit is damaged.

- Put the meter in room temp. for 5 mins. If E02 still appears, send back for repair.

"E03", Temp value is higher than range limit or temperature circuit is damaged.

- Put the meter in room temp. for 5 mins. If E03 still appears, send back for repair.

#### APPENDIX A: CONDUCTIVITY TO TDS CONVERSION FACTORS

Conductivity at 25 °C	TDS KCL		TDS (NaCL)		TDS (442)	
	ppm	Factor	ppm	Factor	ppm	Factor
23µS	11.6	0.5043	10.7	0.4652	14.74	0.6409
84µS	40.38	0.4807	38.04	0.4529	50.5	0.6012
447µS	225.6	0.5047	215.5	0.4822	300	0.6712
1413µS	744.7	0.527	702.1	0.4969	1000	0.7078
1500µS	757.1	0.5047	737.1	0.4914	1050	0.7
2070µS	1045	0.5048	1041	0.5029	1500	0.7246
2764µS	1382	0.5	1414.8	0.5119	2062.7	0.7463
8974µS	5101	0.5685	4487	0.5	7608	0.8478
12,880µS	7447	0.5782	7230	0.5613	11,367	0.8825
15,000µS	8759	0.5839	8532	0.5688	13,455	0.897
80mS	52,168	0.6521	48,384	0.6048	79,688	0.9961

442: 40% sodium sulfate, 40% sodium bicarbonate and 20% sodium chloride.

## APPENDIX B: CALCULATING TDS CONVERSION FACTORS

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The meter can be calibrated using TDS calibration standard solutions. The calibration standard only needs to give the TDS value at a standard temperature such as 25°C. To determine the Conductivity-to-TDS conversion factor use the following formula:

$$\text{Factor} = \text{Actual TDS} \div \text{Actual Conductivity @ 25}^{\circ}\text{C}$$

### Definitions:

**Actual TDS:** Value from the solution bottle label or as a standard you make using high purity water and precisely weighed salts.

**Actual Conductivity:** Value measured using a properly calibration Conductivity /TDS/Temperature meter. Both the actual TDS and the actual conductivity values must be in the same magnitude of units. For example, if the TDS value in is ppm, the conductivity value must be in  $\mu\text{S}$ ; if the TDS value is in ppt, the conductivity value must be in mS. Check this number by multiplying the conductivity reading by the factor in the above formula and the result is the TDS in ppm.

## APPENDIX C: TEMPERATURE EFFECT

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Conductivity measurements are temperature dependent, if the temperature increases, conductivity increases. For example the conductivity measured in a 0.01M KCl solution at 20°C is 1.273 mS/cm whereas, at 25°C, it is 1.409 mS/cm. The concept of reference temperature (Normalization temperature) was introduced to allow the comparison of conductivity results obtained at different temperature. The reference temperature is usually 20°C or 25°C.

The conductivity meter measures the actual conductivity and temperature and then converts it to the reference temperature using a temperature correction function and displays the conductivity at the reference temperature.

It is mandatory to always associate the temperature together with a conductivity result. If no temperature correction is applied, the conductivity is the value taken at measurement temperature. The WT-20 use linear temperature correction.

**Linear temperature correction:**

In moderately and highly conductive solutions, temperature correction can be based on a linear equation involving a temperature coefficient ( $\theta$ ). The coefficient is usually expressed as a conductivity variation in %/°C.

Linear temperature correction is used, e.g. for saline solutions, acids and leaching solutions.

$$K_{T_{ref}} = \frac{100}{100 + \theta \cdot (T - T_{ref})} \cdot K_T$$

where:

$K_{T_{ref}}$  = Conductivity at  $T_{ref}$

$K_T$  = Conductivity at  $T$

$T_{ref}$  = Reference temperature

$T$  = Sample temperature

$\theta$  = Temperature coefficient

Note: the correction is accurate only within a limited temperature range around  $T_1$  and  $T_2$ . The greater the difference between  $T$  and  $T_{ref}$ , the higher the risk of error.

**Calculating Temperature Coefficients ( $\theta$ )**

By measuring the conductivity of a sample at temperature  $T_1$  close to  $T_{ref}$  and another temperature  $T_2$ , you can calculate the temperature coefficient by using the following equation:

$$\theta = \frac{(K_{T_2} - K_{T_1}) \cdot 100}{(T_2 - T_1) \cdot K_{T_1}}$$

T2 should be selected as a typical sample temperature and should be approximately 10°C different from T1. The temperature coefficients of the following electrolytes generally fall into the ranges shown below:

**Acids:** 1.0 - 1.6%/°C

**Bases:** 1.8 - 2.2%/°C

**Salts:** 2.2 - 3.0%/°C

**Drinking water:** 2.0%/°C

**Ultrapure water:** 5.2%/°C

Average temperature coefficients of standard electrolyte solutions expressed as %/°C of the conductivity value at 25°C

Temp. range°C / °F	KCl 1 M	KCl 0.1 M	KCl 0.01 M	Saturated NaCl
15 – 25 °C 59 – 77°F	1.725	1.863	1.882	1.981
15 – 25 – 35 °C 59 – 77 – 95 °F	1.730 (15–27°C)	1.906	1.937 (15–34°C)	2.041
25 – 35 °C 77 – 95 °F	1.762 (15–27°C)	1.978	1.997 (25–34°C)	2.101

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