Vibrosound Analyser – Model CM3 Setup and Configuration



Noise and Vibration Fast Setup Instructions

- 1) Connect vibration and microphone sensors as required. See page 6 of the user manual for more details.
- 2) Ensure power is available to cover the monitoring period. DO NOT ALLOW THE BATTERY TO GO FLAT. See page 7 for more details.
- 3) Switch the unit on. If the modem option is fitted, wait for the network to log on. If you are not using the modem option, please press 'Enter' to bypass the modem logging on.
- 4) You will then be shown 3 screens of settings. Press 'Menu' to advance each screen until the base menu is shown.
- 5) Once at the base menu, press '2 Continuous Monitoring'.
- 6) Close the lid, ensuring no cables are trapped.
- 7) At the end of the monitoring period, press the power button and wait for the event to save and the unit to power off.

Note:

For software versions 1.13 and above, and if the modem option is fitted, the CM3 will now send an SMS text alert when the internal battery is very low, and then proceed to switch itself off soon after to protect the internal battery from damage.

Adequate power in the form of a mains supply or an external power supply, e.g. a 12 V 110 Ah car battery, should be provided at all times to avoid seeing the warning text message.

Depending on the ambient temperature and configurations installed on the CM3, you may get up to 8 hours after the warning text until the unit switches itself off. However, this is not guaranteed.

A basic setup video can be found at:

http://www.surewavetechnology.co.uk/CM3DemoVideo/CM3 Demo 1.wmv

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Overview

This document outlines the basic setup of the CM3, its sensors and cables. It is intended as a guide only and should be read in conjunction with any other CM3 documentation available. Please consult the latest promotional leaflet for specifications of the CM3.

Specifications

The equipment is a state-of-the art piece of electronic apparatus. When used correctly, it meets the requirements of a precision grade Type 1 noise analyser (if fitted) and a precision vibration and air overpressure monitor. As such, the equipment must be used in accordance with this manual and instructions given, and reasonable care taken in its use and maintenance. In addition, for the requirements of various standards including BS5228, the noise $L_{eq}s$ should be user calibrated with a calibrated piston calibrator set to 94 dB or other value (factory fit option only) before each major noise survey is undertaken. In addition, the equipment is guaranteed to provide the stated accuracy as per its specifications, subject to a 12 monthly calibration (return to base). This calibration should only be performed by **Turnkey Instruments Ltd** or a **Turnkey Instruments Ltd** approved agent, to ensure appropriate accuracy and that all standards are met.

Please consult the latest promotional leaflet for specifications of the CM3.

Please Note:

Under WEEE regulations, it is the responsibility of the customer to dispose of the equipment when it is no longer needed, or to return it to Turnkey Instruments' offices for disposal.



IMPORTANT: THE SEPARATE MAINS ADAPTER AND MAINS LEAD SHOULD NOT BE USED OUTSIDE OR IN ANY DAMP OR WET CONDITIONS! The Vibrosound Analyser Model CM3/QB3 is a low voltage unit and there are no hazardous voltages present.



IMPORTANT: THERE ARE NO USER-SERVICEABLE PARTS IN THE MAIN UNIT, TRANSDUCER, MICROPHONE, POWER SUPPLY OR CABLES. NO ATTEMPT SHOULD BE MADE TO OPEN, ADJUST OR DISMANTLE THESE ITEMS. ANY SUCH ATTEMPT WILL IMMEDIATELY INVALIDATE THE WARRANTY AND INVALIDATE THE CALIBRATION CERTIFICATE.



IMPORTANT: USER PARAMETERS ARE ONLY SAVED WHEN THE OPTION MENUS ARE EXITED BY PRESSING 8. IF THE UNIT IS SIMPLY SWITCHED OFF WHILST IN THE OPTIONS PAGES, ANY CHANGES WILL BE LOST.

IMPORTANT: PLEASE ENSURE THAT THE LID ON THE UNIT IS CLOSED EVEN IN LIGHT RAIN. THE UNIT IS FULLY SPLASH-PROOF TO IP65 WITH THE LID CLOSED.

IMPORTANT: IN HEAVY RAIN. PLEASE ENSURE THAT THE VIBRATION SENSOR IS COVERED. FAILURE TO **OBSERVE THIS POINT WILL RESULT IN VIBRATION** FROM THE RAIN AND IF THE VIBRATION SENSOR LEAD CONNECTOR IS NOT PLUGGED IN CORRECTLY, WATER **INGRESS WILL RESULT IN HIGH READINGS. IF THIS** HAPPENS, PHONE TURNKEY FOR ADVICE. WHEN IN **OPERATION OUTDOORS, PERSISTENT LONG-TERM** EXPOSURE OF THE MICROPHONE TO ADVERSE WEATHER (RAIN) CAN RESULT IN REDUCED SENSITIVITY. SHOULD THIS OCCUR, THE MICROPHONE NEEDS TO BE GENTLY DRIED (BEST ACHIEVED BY PLACING IN A WARM ROOM). FORCED DRYING WITH HAIRDRYERS ETC. SHOULD NOT BE CARRIED OUT. IF LONG-TERM MONITORING IN ADVERSE WEATHER IS **REQUIRED, IT IS SUGGESTED THAT A COVER IS POSITIONED APPROXIMATELY 0.5 – 1.0 METRES ABOVE** THE MICROPHONE TO SHELTER IT FROM DIRECT RAIN. CARE NEEDS TO BE TAKEN TO ENSURE NO **REFLECTIVE WAVES OR OBSCURATION RESULTS** FROM THE USE OF ANY COVER BY A MINIMUM **DISTANCE OF 0.5 METRES.**

Equipment Setup

Vibration

The TA1 transducer (large black cylinder) should be placed on something solid, e.g. solid footpath or road, and NOT on soft earth. It should be positioned at ground level, adjacent to any property being monitored. The arrow marked L (longitudinal) should point towards the source of vibration. This will make T (transverse) 90° to the vibration and V (vertical). This is the industry standard. The cable supplied should be pushed into the connector on top of the TA1 and into the side of the Vibrosound into the socket marked Block A. Note: all the connectors are push-fit and must not be turned to attach. To disconnect, the outer collar is pulled, which will release the connector. Note: the connector should be first orientated to align the two halves before pushing in. If the seven-channel option has been purchased, position the second TA1 as required and connect to Block B on the side of the Vibrosound. Open the instrument case by lifting up the two clips. Lift the lid fully to the vertical position. Push the On/Off button and the green light should illuminate. Follow the on-screen instructions or refer to the appropriate sections of this manual.

Please follow instructions on Page 5 on how to protect the vibration head (TA1) in adverse weather conditions.

Noise

Set up the tripod supplied in the position required. Fully extend the legs and wind up the top section using the handle, and lock to the maximum height to give the correct height for the microphone. Position such that the version 2 microphone when clipped into its fastening on the top of the tripod is pointing vertically. **Ensure that the windshield supplied is pushed onto the microphone.** An additional windshield may be needed so that they can be cycled regularly. Water ingress can affect the dynamic range of the microphone system and must be prevented in all applications. Alternate windshield systems are available – price on application. By aligning the two red dots, connect the supplied cable to the back of the microphone and connect the other end into the Vibrosound socket marked INT MIC. Open the instrument case by lifting up the two clips; lift the lid fully to the vertical position. Push the On/Off button and the green light should illuminate. Follow the on-screen instructions or refer to the appropriate sections of this manual.

Microphone

To comply with BS5228, the microphone should ideally be mounted 3 metres up and 0.5 metres out when monitoring noise on adjacent buildings. Long-term monitoring will require a cover to protect the microphone from direct rain – mounted 0.5 metres above. Alternatively for short-term monitoring, use the supplied tripod fully extended to its maximum height.

Please follow instructions on Page 5 on how to protect the microphone in adverse weather conditions.

Ensure the sound meter base is correct for the range of noise to be monitored. Remember, the dynamic range is approximately -10 dB to +40 dB from the base value. The unit can only be calibrated for sound on 60 or 80 dB, and the unit will automatically set the base value to 40 dB. You can then change the sound meter base as required.

Ensure that the base is one of these only: 20, 40, 60, 80, 100. 40 dB will be the value after calibration.

BE AWARE ON VERSION 2 MICROPHONES: DO NOT DISCONNECT THE MICROPHONE ASSEMBLY FROM THE PRE-AMPLIFIER AS THIS WILL CAUSE DAMAGE TO THE DIAPHRAGM INSIDE. ALSO DO NOT APPLY FORCE TO THE FRONT END OF THE MICROPHONE. AVOID ROTATING THE MICROPHONE CAPSULE WHEN FITTING THE WINDSHIELD OR THE PISTON CALIBRATOR AS THIS COULD ALSO DAMAGE THE DIAPHRAGM INSIDE THE MICROPHONE – THIS IS NOT COVERED UNDER WARRANTY.

For regulative standards, care should be taken to ensure:

- a. The microphone system is calibrated by the user before each new monitoring project and at regular intervals on long-term monitoring.
- b. The height of the microphone system complies with BS5228. The supplied tripod ensures its height.
- c. All operators may be required to be "competent" persons as defined by the noise regulations and referred to in the ISO standards.
- d. The Vibrosound must be calibrated by the manufacturer at least as often as they state. For the Vibration head (TA1) this is 12 monthly.
- e. The Vibrosound Noise system is a Type 1 precision grade system as defined by the ISO standards. This is the best type rating available.
- f. Results should only be interpreted by a competent trained person. *Turnkey Instruments* offers a reporting service. Price on application.
- g. Correct setup is critical to obtaining correct meaningful results. If in doubt, ring Turnkey Instruments for free advice over the phone.

** **WARNING** ** Flattening the battery in use to the point where the instrument no longer operates should be avoided where possible. If this does occur, the unit should be switched OFF and re-charged immediately using the above procedure. If possible, try to run the unit from the mains and put the unit on charge when not in use. If monitoring for long periods, please use an external battery source using the supplied crocodile clips.



The external charger/battery leads must never be connected to a voltage greater than 16 V DC. A 12 V battery is recommended. A 60 Ah external battery will run the unit for approx 20 days. This will vary depending on exact settings and unit configuration, particularly if the modem option is fitted.



The user must replace the internal battery with an identical one. Failure to observe this may result in permanent damage to the unit. Please ring our offices for more information if needed.



If using an external battery source, please ensure that the red lead (crocodile clip) is connected to the positive + terminal, and that the black lead (crocodile clip) is connected to the negative - terminal

Charging

It is recommended that the unit is charged after each use. Connect the supplied power supply to your mains socket and plug the lead into the charger socket on the front panel of the unit. Fastest charging will be achieved with the main unit switched off. Turn the Vibrosound OFF. Switch the mains socket ON. The red power light should be lit and whilst charging, the amber light will be on. When fully charged, the amber light will automatically go off; the charger should then be switched off and disconnected. It is recommended that if the unit is to be stored for long periods without use, that it is charged for approximately one day every month or so. Failure to do this will result in a discharged battery, which may need to be replaced. The charger is automatic and can be safely left on without the risk of overcharging.

If you are powering from the supplied mains adaptor and wish to close the lid to prevent tampering, please use the supplied external battery to charger adaptor lead. This connects to the external charge socket and provides a cable socket for you to plug in the mains charger.

Impulse Mode (Press 1 from the Base Menu)

Introduction

This mode is used to record impulse events. These are one-off type events lasting a second or so. The idea is to set a trigger level then enter the impulse mode. Then only when the trigger level is exceeded will the unit wake up and record for the specified time, then go back to sleep whilst waiting for the next event.

Results Given:

Time and date set and triggered. User data if full print option selected. For each direction, vertical, longitudinal and transverse:

Velocity (PPV) in mm/s Displacement in mm Acceleration in m/s/s Frequency of the peak in Hz Resultant Velocity (PPV) in mm/s Linear air overpressure in dB

*Graphs of vibration and air overpressure, if full print option is selected and quantity of graphs set. The graphs can either be combined (useful for observing the relationship between the channels and also saves paper) or separate.

*External printer option is required.

User Parameters Relating to Impulse Mode.

The following parameters can be changed by the user to suit their requirements:

Event Length	The length of the event in milliseconds (1/1000 of a second).
Trigger Level	The vibration level in PPV required to start an event.
Cut-off Delay	See below.
Sound Meter Base	The base level of the microphone system – for a quarry blast, it is suggested that this base would be set to 100 or 120 dB as required. Valid ranges are 20, 40, 60, 80, 100, and 120 dB. WARNING – setting a base below 100 dB may result in the microphone over-scaling, and the unit indicating a lower blast value than actual.
Sample Rate	The number of samples per second on each channel, normally 1000.
Print Options	Full, block and quantity of graphs. See below.
Alarm Levels	Amber and red alarm levels in PPV (option) for external beacon/siren or SMS text alerts.

Cut-Off Delay

The best way to explain this is by example. If an event is expected to last 2 seconds maximum, then the event length would be set to 2000. If the cut-off delay was set to 500 for example, then if the event was shorter than expected (say 1 second) once the vibration falls below the trigger level and stays below for the cut-off delay time, the event length for this event will be reduced to 1000 + 500, giving an event length of 1.5 seconds. The user should take care to set the cut-off delay greater than any delay between detonators, for example, in quarry blasting. By using the cut-off delay, significant savings will be made in paper and pens, and this will also enable more events to be stored in the memory.

*Print Options

If the user selects block printout, the printer (if selected) will print just the table of values. Otherwise, user information, table results and graphs will be given. In this mode, when left unattended, the user can specify how many graphs should be printed before returning to block printout, to save paper.

External Printer Option required

Continuous Mode (Press 2 from the Base Menu)

Introduction

This mode is used for monitoring of events from 5 minutes to several hours, or continuous permanent 24 hour, 7 days a week. In this mode, the user can obtain vibration and noise L_{eq} data. In addition, a sound only sub-mode enables the user to obtain L_{eq} data for any time period chosen. The continuous modes can operate with or without a three period timer repeated daily.

<u>Results Given</u> Sound & Vibration – Print at End Only

Event start time; event end time. User data if full print option selected. For each direction, vertical, longitudinal and transverse –

Velocity (PPV) in mm/s Resultant Velocity (PPV) in mm/s Table of Vibration (velocity) peaks per interval (maximum of 96, giving 5-minute values for an 8 hour event) in mm/s. Noise (L_{eq}) option if fitted. L_{max} , max 5-minute L_{eq} , overall L_{eq} , percentiles L₁, L₁₀, L₉₀ and table of L_{eq} and 5-minute L_{eq} per interval, all in dB(A)

Histograms of vibration and Leg noise (if printer option is fitted and full print-option selected).

Results Given Sound Only

The printer will print the L_{eq} , L_{max} , max 5-minute L_{eq} , L_1 , L_{10} and L_{90} for every interval the user selected.

User Parameters Relating to Continuous Mode

C Mode Timer ON or OFF	See below.
Table Time Interval	Used either to produce the time interval for the table, or the event length if the timer is off.
Print Options	As in Impulse Mode, with the graphs becoming histograms of the vibration and noise.
Sound Meter Base	Base at which the noise will be monitored above. The microphone has approximately 50 dB dynamic range. So as a guide for daytime noise surveys, a base of 60 dB would give 55 – 110 dB. Nighttime, a base of 20 or 40 dB may be selected. Valid ranges are 20, 40, 60, 80, 100 and 120 dB only.
Alarm Option	See Impulse Mode above.
Sound & Vibration, Print at End Only or Sound Only	In sound only mode, the print interval defines the L_{eq} time period for the printout. This enables the user to obtain any L_{eq} period greater than 5 minutes.

Continuous Mode Timer ON

The unit will produce an event for each of the three time periods. If a period is not required, setting the start and end time to the same values will skip that period. The time periods are repeated daily. See the details of options section for correct setting of these times. Each event produced by the time period will be tabulated using the table time interval set by the user. Note: at present, there is a maximum of 96 intervals per time period.

Continuous Mode Timer OFF

The unit will start an event upon selection of the continuous mode; the event length will be the table time interval set by the user. As soon as the results are displayed and optionally printed, the next event will start for the same duration. This will continue until the user stops the monitoring.

Reprinting Events (Press 4 from the Base Menu)

Selecting this option (option '4 - Reprint Events') will enable any of the first 10 events to be displayed or printed (depending on the print setting and whether the printer option is fitted). The unit will first search for the events (may take a few minutes depending on the quantity of events in the store). Only the first 10-event date and times will be displayed. To reprint (or display), enter the event number 0 - 9 and press ENTER.

Guidance on Selecting & Setting Options

Options Page 1

- 1: Trigger Level
- 2: Sound Meter Base
- 3: Event Length
- 4: Cut-Off Delay
- 5: Toggle Print Mode
- 6: Date/Time
- 7: User Data
- 8: Exit

MENU: Next Options Page

Options Page 2

- 1: Alarm Limits
- 2: Table Time
- 3: C Mode Timer
- 4: Sound Only (On or Off)
- 5: Sampling Rate
- 6: User Cal of Leqs
- 7: PC Link Monitor
- 8: Exit

MENU: Previous Menu

Changing Values Used in User-Settable Parameters

When you need to input a new value, press the appropriate keys to give the number required and, where required, press ENTER to input this number. If a mistake is made, press ENTER and then reselect the option to redo. Note: on user data, use the left arrow key to redo characters as required. See the details of options section for more information. Sometimes the ENTER key will not be required. For example, if the maximum number size is four digits, entering the fourth digit will automatically accept the number without pressing ENTER. This will be clearly evident on the screen.

IMPORTANT – AFTER ANY CHANGES ARE MADE, PLEASE PRESS '8-EXIT' AND SAVE THE CHANGES.

Details of Options

Trigger Level

Used in impulse or dual modes. The level of vibration which, when exceeded, will initiate an event. Also used for the cut-off delay. Valid ranges: 0.01 to 99.8 in mm/s PPV. The trigger level can be user-selectable. Sound/air overpressure: dB above the Sound Meter Base (linear) (ON or OFF). To change the trigger level, go to Options Menu 1, then '1 - Trigger Level'. Enter the value, then select '4 or 7 channel', then select '2' when asked if you wish to trigger on noise (in continuous mode).

Sound Meter Base

The base level for the microphone system. The unit will record from 10 dB below this level to 40 dB above minimum. Valid entries: 20, 40, 60, 80, 100, 120. Typically set to 100 or 120 for quarry blasting, 20 or 40 for night time noise monitoring, and 40 or 60 for daytime noise monitoring. To change the Sound Meter Base, go to Options Menu 1, then '2 - Sound Meter Base'. Press 8 to exit and save any changes.

Event Length

Used only in impulse mode. Set to equal an anticipated impulse event duration. Typically 1500 to 2000 for a quarry blast in milliseconds. Valid ranges: 500 to 9990. 9999 will give maximum length based on the current sampling rate. To select Event Length, go to Options Menu 1, then '3 - Event Length'. Press 8 to exit and save any changes.

Cut-Off Delay

The best way to explain this is by example. If an event is expected to last 2 seconds maximum, then the event length would be set to 2000. If the cut-off delay was set to 500 for example, then if the event was shorter than expected (say 1 second) once the vibration falls below the trigger level and stays below for the cut-off delay time, the event length for this event will be reduced to 1000 + 500, giving an event length of 1.5 seconds. User selectable from 0.1 to 1 second.

The user should take care to set the cut-off delay greater than any delay between detonators, for example, in quarry blasting. By using the cut-off delay, significant savings will be made in paper and pens, and this will also enable more events to be stored in the memory. To select cut-off delay, go to Options Menu 1, then '4 - Cut-Off Delay'. Press 8 to exit and save any changes.

Toggle Print Mode (External Printer Option Required)

Short (block) print option gives table information only. Full gives user data, table information and graphs, with the option to select single or combined graphs and the quantity of graphs printed when left unattended.

Date & Time

Use to enter current date and time information. Follow the format given on the screen, i.e. 2 digits, then the dot (.) key, followed by the next 2 digits etc. The date and time is also displayed at switch-on. Please check after resetting. To set the date and time, go to Options Menu 1, then '6 - Date/Time'. Press 8 to exit and save any changes.

User Data

The User Data enables the user to enter information relevant to them and setup SMS text alerts. Set in five parts: heading, data, SMS data, SMS alerts and SMS country code.

To input user data, select option 1 (heading) or option 2 (data). Each can be 10 characters. Use the \leftarrow to redo any character, the \rightarrow for the next character, and $\wedge \psi$ to scroll through the characters. Press ENTER when finished. To delete previous characters, use spaces after the word. If not, simply press ENTER, then ENTER again.

To change SMS data (SMS text numbers), select option 3. Your current numbers will be shown. Select 1 to change, or 0 to go back. Up to 4 text numbers can be stored.

To set SMS text alerts, select option 4. Press 0 to disable alerts, 1 to enable alerts sending a SMS text only once, or 2 to enable alerts sending repeated SMS texts. If SMS text alerts are enabled, you will be prompted for the SMS message centre (see details under Modem Option for message centre numbers 1 - 7 for O2, Vodafone etc.)

To change the SMS country code, select option 5. Choose 1 for United Kingdom (+44) or 2 for Australia (+61).

When you are happy with your settings, select option '6 - All done (Menu)'. Finally, press '8' to exit and save your settings.

Alarm Limits (Option if Fitted Modem SMS or External Alarms)

There are 5 alarm limits. *Points to note* – if the alarm value is not required, it must be set to zero. And for entering decimal alarm values, enter the full number including point (e.g. 1.5).

Alarm 1 is the amber warning level for peak vibration. This triggers a strobe output on an external alarm unit and sends a SMS text alert in mm/s PPV, any channel.

Alarm 2 is the red warning level for peak vibration. This triggers the sounder output on an external alarm unit and sends a SMS text alert, in mm/s PPV, any channel.

You will then be asked for an alarm time delay. Unless this is needed, please enter zero. The alarm time option is used, for example, if monitoring next to a railway line and is designed to allow sufficient time for a train to go past before sounding the vibration alarm. In other words, vibration above the alarm value is ignored for the delay time entered.

Alarm 3 is 1 minute average LA_{eq} – sends SMS text alerts. This will also trigger the strobe output if external alarm option is fitted.

Alarm 4 is the table time (e.g. 15 minute) average LA_{eq} – sends SMS text alerts. This will also trigger the strobe output if external alarm option is fitted.

Alarm 5 is the period time (e.g. 8 hour) average LA_{eq} – sends SMS text alerts. This will also trigger the strobe output if external alarm option is fitted.

To change alarm limits, go to Options Menu 2, then '1 - Alarm Limits'. Press 8 to exit and save any changes.

Modem Option

This option gives remote data access and SMS text alerts on 5 alarm levels (2 Vibration and 3 Noise) and new real-time remote readings. The download intervals are fully user-selectable.

If the unit is fitted with a modem, the user can select to send SMS messages. Use this option to select (1 = SMS) or (0 = No SMS) under user data – Options Menu 1, then '7 - User Data', then '3 - Change SMS Data', then '4 - Alarm SMS Alerts'. If selected, the unit will ask for a message centre number. This must be input according to the following list:

UK +44	Australia +61
1: O2	Optus
2: Vodafone	Telstra
3: Virgin	Vodafone
4: Three	Three
5: Orange	Optus (without +61)
6: T-Mobile	Vodafone (without +61)
7: Tesco	UK Vodafone
The numbers to	text are stored under us

The numbers to text are stored under user data – Options Menu 1, then '7 - User Data', then '3 - Change SMS Data'. **Press 8 to exit and save any changes**.

Table Time

With the continuous mode timer ON, this is the time used to tabulate the table in minutes (maximum 96 table intervals per timer period). With the timer switched OFF, it becomes the event length.

To select the Table Time, go to Options Menu 2 then select '2 - Table Time', this will enable you to set the table time. Press 8 to exit and save any changes.

Please Note – the Table Time cannot be currently set lower than 5 minutes.

C Mode Timer

Enables the user to view, select timer on or off, and change timer settings.



****WARNING**** The first timer period must start and end before the second timer period. The second timer period must start after the first and end before the third timer period and the third timer period must start after the second timer period and end before the first. E.g. to monitor 24 hours, the following settings would be valid:

	<u>Start</u>	<u>End</u>
Timer A	06:00	14:00
Timer B	14:01	22:01
Timer C	22:02	05:59

Note: Timer C goes to the next day.

To set the timer, first go to Options Menu 2, and then select '3 - C Mode Timer'. You can then turn the timer on/off and change the timer settings. Press 8 to exit and save any changes.

Sound & Vibration or Sound Only Option

Sound & vibration will give vibration and noise $L_{eq}s$ at the end of the event.

Sound Only gives L_{max} , L_{eq} , max 5-minute L_{eq} , L_1 , L_{10} and L_{90} values.

Sampling Rate

Normally set to 1000 (recommended). It can be reduced to give longer event lengths in impulse mode only. It is recommended that the sampling rate is at least 10 times the frequency of vibration being monitored. It is not recommended setting this to anything other than 1000, unless required to increase the event length. In continuous mode, the sampling rate is fixed at 1000. To select the Sampling Rate, go to Options Menu 2, then '5 - Sampling Rate'. Press 8 to exit and save any changes.

User Cal of L_{eq}s.

The on screen instructions must be followed to the letter. A piston calibrator switched on producing 94.0 dB must be firmly fitted to the microphone and the microphone connected correctly to the unit before proceeding.



WARNING Failure to calibrate correctly will result in incorrect L_{eq} readings permanently, until recalibrated.

Procedure for User Cal of L_{eq}s:

Ensure the microphone is correctly connected to the unit and the piston calibrator. The microphone must be mounted vertically, by holding in the hand or using the tripod mount set to vertical. The piston calibrator should be connected and firmly positioned on the microphone by pushing down, and if necessary screwing clockwise. Then switch it on at 94.0 dB.

On the CM3 when at the base menu, select option '5', 'Menu' screen 2, then '6 - User Cal of Leqs'. Only press MENU to start when you are sure the piston calibrator is correctly set and on at 94.0 dB, and the cable is correctly connected. Press MENU. The display should show 94.0 +/- 0.5 dB.

Note that the system sets 94.0 dB as whatever noise is presented to the MIC during the time from pressing MENU to when the 94.0 is displayed. In other words, without the calibrator on, the noise present will be calibrated (incorrectly) to give a reading of 94.0dB.

When the above value is shown, switch the piston calibrator to its higher reading (normally 104 or 114 dB) and confirm the display shows the correct value +/-0.5 dB, or goes over 104 dB if using 114 dB. Then switch the piston calibrator off, and observe the reading on the screen falling to approximately the sound meter base or background noise at the location. If this happens, you have correctly calibrated your system. This check at the higher level (and then with the calibrator off) is to make sure the 94.0 dB value was obtained with a real 94.0 dB signal present.

Note: there is a factory option for different calibrators to be used. If this applies to you, then the 94 dB given above will be the value of your piston calibrator. Remove the piston calibrator from the microphone by pulling up, and turning clockwise if required.



** **WARNING** ** You must proceed to save the calibration value by pressing MENU to exit, and then 8 to exit and save the menu options.



After the calibration detailed above, the sound meter base will be automatically set to 40 dB. This is correct to monitor most sites, but for very quiet (country) sites at night; this should be changed to 20 dB. Equally, if monitoring a very noisy site, with the noise expected to exceed 90 to 100 dB, then the base should be changed to 60 dB.

Other Options:

External Alarm Option:

The external alarm option consists of the following items:

- 1) Mains powered external alarm box.
- 2) Cable that connects the external alarm box to the Vibrosound.
- 3) Beacon that connects to the alarm box.
- 4) Sounder that connects to the alarm box.

The external alarm option is mains powered and should be protected from adverse weather conditions. The beacon and sounder are water/splash proof and both come supplied with a 12 metre cable.

To Operate:

When this option is used, alarms 1, 3, 4 & 5 will activate the beacon alert when the noise/vibration limits are exceeded. If the alarm limits are exceeded on alarm 2 – red alert for vibration – the sounder will be activated.

- 1) Set up your alarm parameters as detailed on Page 13 under 'Alarm Limits'.
- 2) Connect the external alarm box to the Vibrosound. The socket is located on the back of the Vibrosound.
- 3) Connect the beacon and the sounder to the external alarm box.

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- 4) Plug the external alarm box into a mains power source.
- 5) Set the Vibrosound monitoring as normal.

Wind Option:

The Wind Option consists of the following items:

- 1) Weather vane with 20 metre cable.
- 2) User to provide their own 10 metre pole.

To operate:

- 1) The weather vane plugs directly into the Vibrosound in the socket labelled 'Wind'.
- 2) Mount the weather vane onto the pole; this must be mounted 10 metres above the ground to comply with the ETSU-R-97 standard.
- 3) The weather vane must be pointing north. It may be necessary to weigh down the base with sandbags to secure.
- 4) Set the Vibrosound monitoring as normal. You will get the following values:

Noise Vibration Wind speed, peak gust and direction.

The table time must be set at 10 minute intervals to comply with ETSU-R-97.

Table of Recording Times

The maximum number of tables in the CM3 (with software version 1.24, frequency included) is 10,000.

Save Interval (Table Time)	Recording Duration
1 minute	Approximately 6 days
5 minutes	Approximately 34 days
15 minutes	Approximately 104 days

This assumes:

The memory was clear at the start of the period; THIS IS CRITICAL!

Turnkey Instruments does not accept any responsibility for loss of data as we have no control over the actual settings used and whether or not the memory was cleared at the start of the event.

Software Release History: CM3 Firmware Version

VERSION	DATE	DETAILS
1.27	2016-05-16	LATEST VERSION
Manual Release History: CM3		
VERSION	DATE	DETAILS
1.15	2016-04-05	User cal of L_{eq} s updated to be clearer