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1. About this document

1.1 Version information



Indigo200 transmitters' wireless configuration interface has been replaced with a USB-C interface in 2022. For instructions on configuring GMP251 probes with the earlier wireless configuration interface, see *GMP251 User Guide* revision M211799EN-G, available at docs.vaisala.com.

Table 1 Document versions (English)

Document code	Date	Description
M211799EN-M	January 2026	Probe body design updated: orientation mark no longer used in the probe body, M12 connector and probe body both now housed in PBT polymer. Added information about entering previously measured values in adjustment. Environmental compensation values can now be entered directly in Insight PC software without enabling the compensation separately. Added sections: • Adjusting CO₂ using previously measured values (page 98) • Environmental compensation configuration overview (Insight PC software) (page 113) Updated sections: • Product specifications (page 120)
M211799EN-L	August 2025	Updated sections: • GMP80P product overview (page 52) • GMP80P installation and sampling (page 55) • Calibration and adjustment with Indigo80 handheld indicator (page 103) • Environmental compensation commands (page 89) and Configuration registers (page 133): • Temperature compensation range updated to -40 ... +60 °C • Internal temperature compensation option renamed from <i>measured</i> to <i>internal</i>. The change is applicable from probe firmware version 1.4.3 onwards. • Status registers (page 135): register 0x2052 and Table 68 (page 136) added

Document code	Date	Description
M211799EN-K	July 2024	Added sections: - Recycling instructions (page 141) - Maintenance and calibration services (page 145) Updated sections: - CO₂ dilution coefficients for pump sampling method (page 57) - GMP251 specifications (page 120), Table 52 (page 123) - GMP80P specifications (page 123), Table 58 (page 125)

1.2 Related manuals



For the latest versions of these documents, see docs.vaisala.com.

Table 2 Related manuals

Document code	Description
M211798EN	Vaisala GMP251 Carbon Dioxide Probe Quick Guide
M211897EN	Vaisala GMP252 Carbon Dioxide Probe User Guide
M211893EN	Vaisala GMP252 Carbon Dioxide Probe Quick Guide
M212945EN	Vaisala GMP80P Portable Carbon Dioxide Probe with Pump Sampling Quick Guide
M212722EN	Vaisala Indigo80 Handheld Indicator User Guide
M212842EN	Vaisala Indigo201 Analog Output Transmitter User Guide
M212815EN	Vaisala Indigo201 Analog Output Transmitter Quick Guide
M212843EN	Vaisala Indigo202 Digital Transmitter User Guide
M212816EN	Vaisala Indigo202 Digital Transmitter Quick Guide

1.3 Documentation conventions



WARNING! alerts you to a serious hazard. If you do not read and follow instructions carefully at this point, there is a risk of injury or even death.



CAUTION! warns you of a potential hazard. If you do not read and follow instructions carefully at this point, the product could be damaged or important data could be lost.



Note highlights important information on using the product.



Tip gives information for using the product more efficiently.

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2. Product overview

2.1 Introduction to GMP251

GMP251 is designed for CO₂ measurement in demanding applications that require reliable and accurate performance. The measurement range is 0–20 %CO₂.

The probe is based on Vaisala's patented 2nd generation CARBOCAP® technology and equipped with Vaisala Microglow infrared light source. The probe is easy to install with a plug-in/plug-out M12 connection.

Sensor performance is optimized at 5 %CO₂ measurement. For compensation purposes, the probe also includes an internal temperature sensor that allows measurement compensation according to ambient temperature. As dust and most chemicals do not affect the measurement, and the effect of temperature, pressure and background gas can be compensated for, the probe can provide accurate and stable measurements in a wide range of applications.

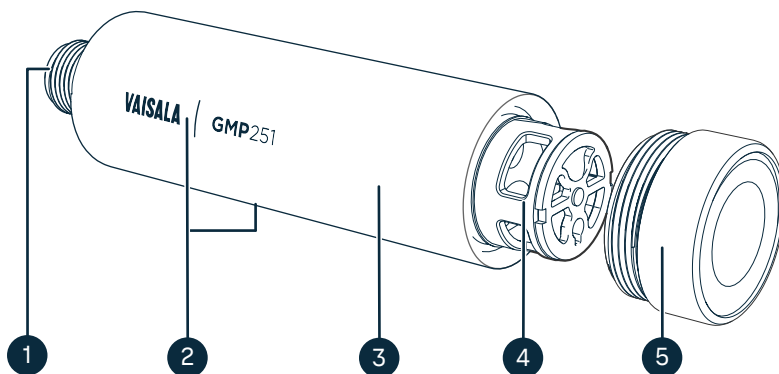


Figure 1 GMP251 probe parts

- 1 5-pin M12 connector. For pinout, see [Wiring \(page 29\)](#).
- 2 Probe name (front) and laser-printed type label (back).
- 3 Probe body. Contains the main component board.
- 4 Measurement cuvette with optics and CARBOCAP® CO₂ sensor.
- 5 Filter (see [Filter options \(page 17\)](#)).



CAUTION! Do not attempt to open the probe body. There are no user serviceable parts inside the probe body.

2.2 Basic features and options

- CO₂ measurement range 0–20 %
- Vaisala CARBOCAP® CO₂ sensor with excellent long-term stability
- Measurement compensated for effects of temperature, pressure, and background gas. The temperature compensation can be based on an integrated temperature sensor or use a set temperature. Pressure and background gas parameters can be set to the probe.
- Heating to avoid condensation on optical elements
- Digital output with RS-485:
 - Modbus RTU
 - Vaisala Industrial Protocol
- Analog output:
 - Current output (0–20 mA or 4–20 mA)
 - Voltage output (0–5 V or 0–10 V)
- Can be used as a standalone probe or with Vaisala Indigo transmitters
- Incorporated into the GMP80P handheld probe, which allows for easy pump-aspirated CO₂ sampling from incubators
- Compatible with Indigo80 handheld indicator and MI70 handheld indicator
- Can be connected to Vaisala Insight PC software for configuration, diagnostics, and temporary online monitoring
- Easy plug-in, plug-out.

More information

- [Operating principle of CO₂ measurement \(page 18\)](#)
- [Environmental compensation \(page 19\)](#)
- [Vaisala Industrial Protocol overview \(page 65\)](#)
- [Modbus \(page 31\)](#)
- [Overview of MI70 support \(page 60\)](#)
- [GMP80P product overview \(page 52\)](#)
- [GMP251 specifications \(page 120\)](#)
- [GMP80P specifications \(page 123\)](#)

2.2.1 Connectivity to Vaisala Insight software

The probe can be connected to Vaisala Insight software using a Vaisala USB cable (item code 242659) or Vaisala Indigo USB adapter (item code USB2). With the Insight software, you can:

- Calibrate and adjust the measurement.
- See device information and status.
- See real-time measurement.
- Configure serial communication settings, environmental compensation settings, filtering factor, and analog output parameters and scaling.

More information

- [Connecting to Insight software \(page 32\)](#)

2.2.2 Additional features with Indigo transmitters

GMP251 probes manufactured from 2017 onwards are compatible with Vaisala Indigo200 series transmitters.

Connecting the probe to an Indigo transmitter provides a wide range of additional options for outputs, measurement viewing, status monitoring, and configuration interface access.

Examples of additional features available with Indigo520 transmitters:

- Touchscreen display for real-time data viewing and configuration
- Support for 2 probes simultaneously
- 4 configurable analog outputs
- 2 configurable relays
- 2-wire current loop analog input
- Barometer module for barometric pressure measurement (optional module)
- Ethernet connection with web interface for remote access
- Modbus TCP/IP protocol
- Service port for connecting to Indigo80 handheld indicator

Examples of additional features available with Indigo300 transmitters:

- Numerical and graphical display for real-time data viewing
- 3 pre-configurable analog outputs
- Service port on the front for connecting to Vaisala Insight PC software or Indigo80 handheld indicator for easy configuration access

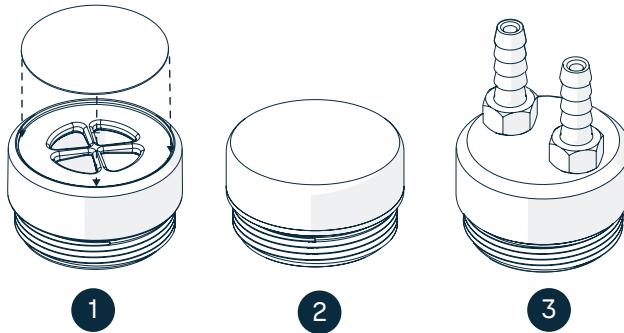
Examples of additional features available with Indigo200 series transmitters:

- 3.5" TFT LCD color display or non-display model with LED indicator
- Digital output or 3 analog outputs (depending on the transmitter model)
- 2 configurable relays
- USB-C connection to Vaisala Insight PC software for easy configuration access



Available features vary depending on the Indigo transmitter model. For more information on Indigo transmitters, see vaisala.com/indigo.

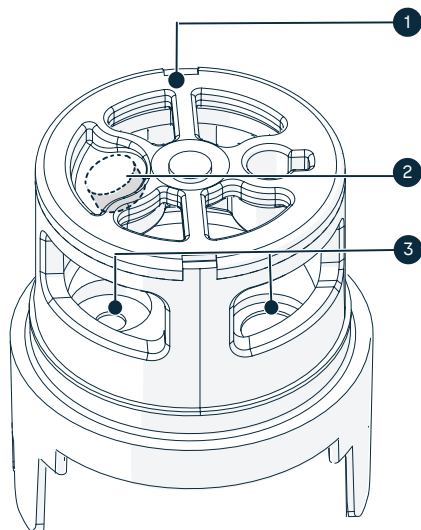
2.2.3 Filter options



The following filter options are available for GMP251:

1. Standard membrane filter, item code ASM211650SP. Gas can enter only through the top of the filter (plastic grid covered with membrane), the sides of the filter are solid.
2. Porous sintered PTFE filter for extra protection, item code DRW243649SP. The porous material of the filter allows gas to enter from all sides of the filter.
3. Flow-through adapter, item code ASM211697SP. Two gas ports for controlled gas feed (port outer diameter 4.6 mm, port hole inner diameter 2 mm, suitable for tubing with 4 mm inner diameter).

2.3 Operating principle of CO₂ measurement



The Vaisala CARBOCAP® sensor used in the probe is a silicon-based, nondispersive infrared (NDIR) sensor for measurement of gaseous carbon dioxide in air-like gases.

Figure 2 Probe cuvette with mirror and sensor chips

- 1 Cuvette
- 2 Mirror
- 3 Sensor chips under TO5 package

The sensitivity to carbon dioxide is based on absorption of infrared light at a characteristic wavelength. During measurement, infrared light is routed through the cuvette that contains the gas to be measured. A mirror reflects the light from the cuvette to a thermopile detector that measures the light intensity at a wavelength determined by a Fabry–Pérot interferometer (FPI) and a band pass filter.

The carbon dioxide measurement consists of two steps: first, the FPI is electrically tuned so that its pass band coincides with the characteristic absorption wavelength of carbon dioxide and the signal is recorded. Second, the pass band is shifted to a wavelength where no absorption occurs in order to get a reference signal. The ratio of these two signals, one at the absorption wavelength and the other at the reference wavelength, gives the fraction of light absorption from which the carbon dioxide concentration is calculated. Measuring the reference signal compensates the possible effects of sensor aging and signal attenuation due to dirt on optical surfaces, making the sensor very stable over time.

TO5 packages with hermetic windows are used to protect the sensor chips from moisture and contamination. A heater chip is utilized to prevent condensation in normal operation.

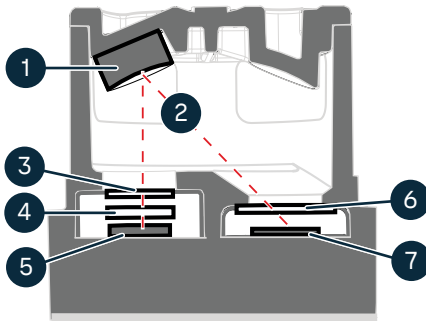


Figure 3 CO₂ measurement in the measurement cuvette

- 1 Gold-plated mirror
- 2 Light absorbed by CO₂ in the measured gas
- 3 Hermetic window
- 4 Fabry-Pérot interferometer
- 5 Light source (Microglow)
- 6 Hermetic window
- 7 Thermopile detector

2.4 Environmental compensation

When necessary, various environmental compensations can be applied to improve the CO₂ measurement accuracy of the probe.

The probe can compensate for the effects of the following parameters:

- Temperature
- Pressure
- Background gas oxygen (O₂) content
- Background gas relative humidity (%RH)



To apply an accurate relative humidity compensation, make sure that also the temperature compensation and pressure compensation configurations match the measurement environment.

The probe has an on-board temperature sensor that can be used to compensate for temperature. Additionally, if the probe is integrated in a system that measures one or more of the compensation parameters (T, P, RH, O₂), they can be updated to the probe continuously.

Compensation parameters are configured on the order form when ordering the probe, and can later be updated using for example Vaisala Insight PC software, Vaisala Indigo80 handheld indicator, or Modbus protocol.

You can also turn off any of the compensations. In that case, the probe uses the default compensation value that is mathematically neutral for the probe's internal compensation model.

You can configure the environmental compensation settings with any of the following options:

- Vaisala Industrial Protocol serial commands
- Vaisala Insight software
- Modbus configuration registers
- MI70 handheld indicator
- Indigo80 handheld indicator



The environmental compensation configuration options available in the MI70 handheld indicator are not compatible with the probe. Using MI70 to configure the environmental compensation settings of the probe can decrease measurement accuracy.

More information

- [Environmental compensation commands \(page 89\)](#)
- [Vaisala Insight PC software \(page 32\)](#)
- [Configuring environment settings with Indigo80 handheld indicator \(page 50\)](#)
- [Changing environmental compensation settings with MI70 indicator \(page 63\)](#)
- [Effect of environmental compensations \(page 97\)](#)
- [Configuration registers \(page 133\)](#)

2.4.1 Temperature compensation

The probe can measure the approximate temperature of the CARBOCAP® sensor for compensation, or use a fixed setpoint. Unless a dedicated temperature measurement is available and can be regularly updated to the probe, it is strongly recommended to use the probe's internal temperature compensation to ensure real-time accurate measurements. If the measurement is made in a constant temperature, the constant temperature can be set as the compensation value (fixed setpoint option).

If temperature compensation is turned off, the probe uses the default value of +25 °C (+77 °F).



When the probe is installed through a flange and part of the probe and the cable is left outside the measuring environment, it is possible that temperature conduction from the probe body and cable outside the measurement environment affects the temperature compensation and decreases measurement accuracy.

2.4.2 Pressure compensation

The probe does not have on-board pressure measurement. However, a pressure reading from an external source can be used as a setpoint value for compensation using for example Vaisala Insight PC software, Vaisala Indigo80 handheld indicator, or Modbus protocol.

If pressure compensation is turned off, the probe uses the default compensation value of 1013 hPa.

2.4.3 Background gas compensation

The probe does not have on-board oxygen or relative humidity measurement. However, oxygen and relative humidity readings from an external source can be used as setpoint values for compensation using for example Vaisala Insight PC software, Vaisala Indigo80 handheld indicator, or Modbus protocol.

The default setpoint values are as follows:

- Oxygen concentration: 19.7 %O₂ or 21 %O₂
- Relative humidity: 50 %RH or 93 %RH

If background gas compensations are turned off, the probe uses the value 0 % for both.

More information

- [Environmental compensation \(page 19\)](#)
- [Configuration registers \(page 133\)](#)

2.5 Probe startup

When powered on, the probe starts up within 20 seconds. Measurements from the outputs (digital and analog) become available during this time but note that they will only reach specified accuracy after a 4-minute warm-up period. For this reason, you should design your system so that it does not rely on measurements from the probe during this time.



Specifically note that the CO₂ reading will rise to the correct reading as the sensor's infrared emitter achieves operation temperature.

2.6 Filtering factor

You can set a filtering factor that affects the speed at which the latest CO₂ measurement is integrated into the output of the probe. This allows averaging the output if the measuring environment produces occasional exceptionally high or low readings.

The filtering factor can be set either with the Insight PC software, Modbus configuration registers, or with the Indigo80 handheld indicator.

More information

- [Configuring filtering factor with Insight \(page 41\)](#)
- [Example of configuring filtering factor with Indigo80 handheld indicator \(page 49\)](#)
- [Configuration registers \(page 133\)](#)

2.7 Analog output overrange behavior

The analog output has a defined behavior when the measurement is outside the scaled analog output range. At first, the output is clipped when the measurement exceeds a set limit (the measurement continues, but the output does not change from the clipped value).

When the measurement exceeds the second limit (error limit), the analog output switches to the error state defined for the output.

The table below lists the clipping and error limits and default error state outputs for the analog voltage and current outputs.

Table 3 Analog output overrange clipping and error limits

Output voltage / current	Clipping limit	Error limit	Default error state output
0–5 V	>5 %	>10 %	0 V
0–10 V	>1 %	>10 %	0 V
0–20 mA	>5 %	>10 %	23 mA
4–20 mA	>5 %	>10 %	2 mA

The same clipping and error limits are applied when the measured value drops back to the scaled range: at first the output returns to the clipped value from the error state, and then to normal output.



Clipping and error state limits differ for 0–10 V and 0–5 V outputs. For 0–10 V output the limits are 1 % and 10 %, and for 0–5 V output the limits are 5 % and 10 %.



When setting the error output voltage (**amode** command), note that the probe's maximum voltage output is 10.325 V.

More information

- [Analog output \(page 82\)](#)

2.7.1 Analog output overrange example

Consider a probe with 0–5 V output, scaled to 0–200 000 ppm (= 0–20 %) CO₂.

- When the measured CO₂ rises above 20 %, the output rises above 5 V.
- The output keeps rising until the measurement is 21 %CO₂, at which point the probe outputs 5.25 V.
- If the CO₂ level rises above 21 %CO₂, the output still remains at 5.25 V.
- If the CO₂ level rises above 22 %CO₂, the output enters the error state, which is 0 V for the 0–5 V output.

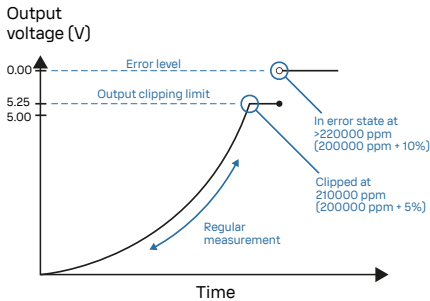


Figure 4 Example of analog output overrange behavior

This example uses output scaled to 0–5 V and 0–200 000 ppm, error level set to 0 V, clipping set to 5 % overrange, and error limit set to 10 % overrange. CO₂ concentrations (ppm) are indicated for the clipping point and error limit point.



This overrange and error behavior is specific to the analog output, and does not affect the readings of the digital outputs.

You can change the analog output overrange behavior using the **aoover** command.

2.8 Safety

The probe delivered to you has been tested for safety and approved as shipped from the factory. Note the following precautions:



WARNING! When returning a product for calibration or repair, make sure it has not been exposed to dangerous contamination, and is safe to handle without special precautions.



CAUTION! Do not modify the unit or use it in ways not described in the documentation. Improper modification or use may lead to safety hazards, equipment damage, failure to perform according to specification, or decreased equipment lifetime.



CAUTION! Do not attempt to open the probe body. There are no user serviceable parts inside the probe body.

2.8.1 ESD protection

Electrostatic Discharge (ESD) can cause immediate or latent damage to electronic circuits. Vaisala products are adequately protected against ESD for their intended use. However, it is possible to damage the product by delivering electrostatic discharges when touching an exposed contact on the product.

To make sure you are not delivering high static voltages yourself, avoid touching the pins on the M12 connector.

3. Installation

3.1 GMP251 probe dimensions

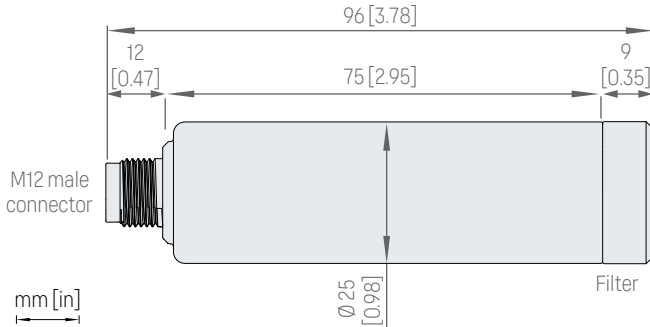


Figure 5 GMP251 dimensions

3.2 Recommended installation

The GMP251 probe can be installed in an environment with an operating temperature range of $-40 \dots +60 \text{ }^{\circ}\text{C}$ ($-40 \dots +140 \text{ }^{\circ}\text{F}$)¹⁾. Make sure the probe is in a location that represents the measurement environment properly.



In environments with high levels of humidity and risk of condensation, install the probe horizontally to prevent condensation from forming inside the filter and on the optical surfaces.

The 5-pin male M12 connector on the probe provides an easy plug-in/plug-out connection to a compatible cable. Using a shielded cable in the installation and grounding is recommended. The GMP251 probe itself does not require a shielded cable, but if the installation environment contains high levels of EMC noise, the disturbance may be transmitted to another connected device through an unshielded cable. Vaisala Online Store at store.vaisala.com offers a wide selection of shielded cables in different lengths.

More information

- [GMP251 spare parts and accessories \(page 126\)](#)

1) Occasional short-term exposure to up to $+90 \text{ }^{\circ}\text{C}$ ($+194 \text{ }^{\circ}\text{F}$) allowed, provided that the probe is fully installed inside the measured condition and power is switched on. Measurement accuracy specification of the probe not applicable if used in temperatures above $+60 \text{ }^{\circ}\text{C}$ ($+140 \text{ }^{\circ}\text{F}$).

3.3 Installation accessories

The probe can be installed through a surface using the optional flange accessory (Vaisala product code 243261SP), or attached for example to a wall with the optional clip accessory (two-clip set, Vaisala product code 243257SP).

For installations where a pressure washer is used to clean the measurement area, a spray shield with an IPX9 rating (Vaisala product code ASM212017SP) is available as an optional accessory.



In environments with high levels of humidity and risk of condensation, install the probe horizontally to prevent condensation from forming inside the filter and on the optical surfaces.

3.3.1 243261SP mounting flange

The optional flange accessory is used to install Ø 25 mm (0.98 in) probes through a wall or other surface.

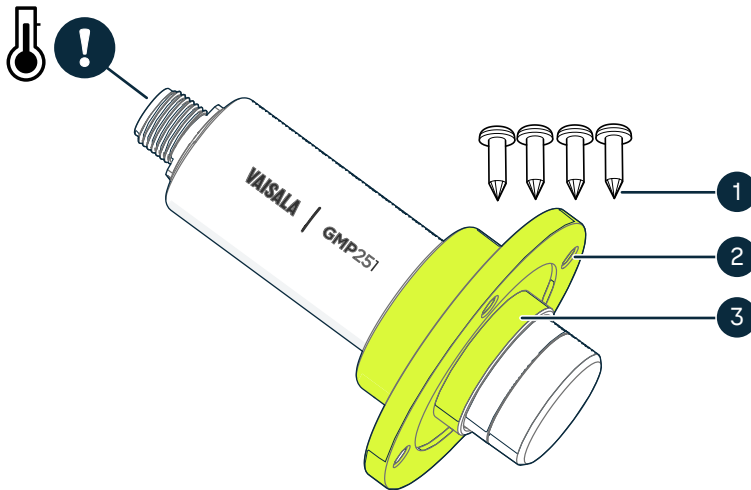


Figure 6 Probe with 243261SP mounting flange

- 1 4 Phillips head screws (included)
- 2 Mounting flange (diameter 60 mm (2.36 in)) with four Ø 4.2 mm (Ø 0.17 in) screw holes
- 3 Gasket ring



Leaving part of the probe body and the cable outside the measurement environment can cause heat conduction that affects the temperature compensation and measurement accuracy.

3.3.2 243257SP mounting clips

The optional mounting clips (set of two clips) are used to hold the probe in place for example on a wall or other surface. Each clip base attaches to the installation surface with one screw (screw hole Ø 4.2 mm).

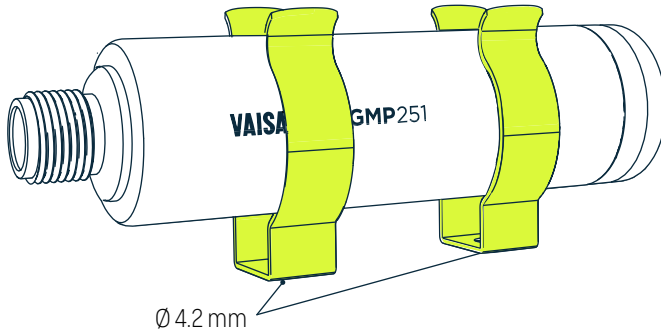
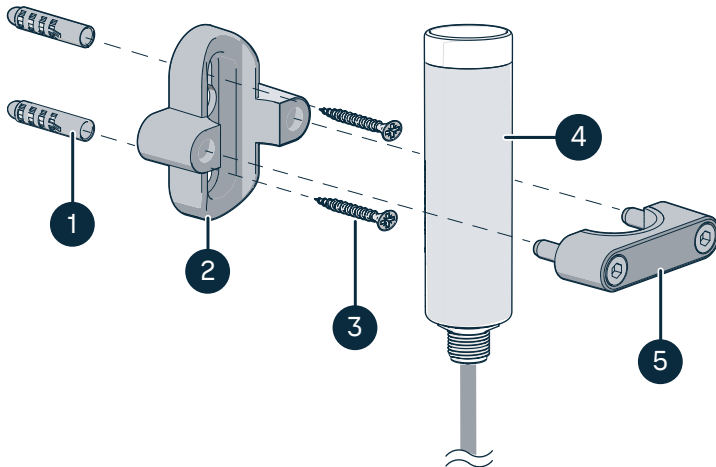


Figure 7 Probe in 243257SP mounting clips

3.3.3 ASM213582 probe holder



- 1 Wall plugs (2 pcs included, 6×30 nylon)
- 2 Base of the probe holder
- 3 Screws (2 pcs included, 4.8×25 DIN7981C PZ A4)
- 4 Ø 25 mm (0.98 in) probe body
- 5 Top of the probe holder with 2 hex screws (4-mm socket)

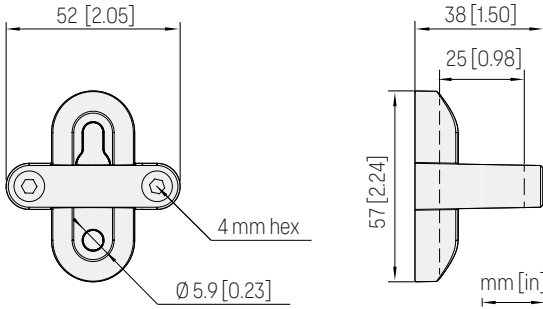


Figure 8 Probe holder ASM213582 dimensions

3.3.3.1 Mounting the probe body using probe holder ASM213582

Probe holder ASM213582 is designed for attaching a 25 mm probe body to a wall or other surface with screws.

- ▶ 1. Use a 4-mm Allen key to open the hex screws and remove the top part of the probe holder.
2. Hold the base part against the mounting surface and mark the locations of the 2 screw holes.
3. Drill holes at the marked locations using a 6-mm drill bit. Make the holes at least 30 mm deep.
4. Insert the wall plugs in the holes.
5. Mount the base part using screws.
6. Insert the probe body in the holder.
7. Place the top part on the base and tighten the hex screws with a 4-mm Allen key.

3.3.4 ASM212017SP spray shield

The optional spray shield (Vaisala item code ASM212017SP) allows washing the probe with a pressure washer without exposing the sensor to moisture (IPX9 rating).

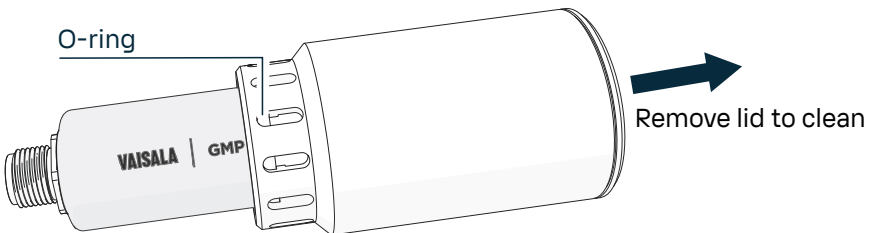


Figure 9 Probe with ASM212017SP spray shield



The spray shield can limit or prevent the use of the probe mounting clips (243257SP).

More information

- ▶ [ASM212017SP spray shield dimensions \(page 129\)](#)

3.4 Power supply

The supply voltage range of the probe is 12–30 V DC with the digital output option. If the analog output is used, the supply voltage range is 12–30 V DC for voltage output and 20–30 V DC for current output.

Typical power consumption is less than 0.4 W in continuous operation, and the maximum is 0.5 W.

More information

- ▶ [GMP251 specifications \(page 120\)](#)

3.5 Wiring

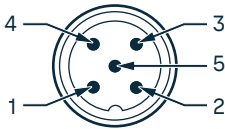


Table 4 M12 male connector

Pin#	Function	Note	Cable 223263SP wire colors
1	Power in	• With digital output: 12–30 V DC • With voltage output: 12–30 V DC • With current output: 20–30 V DC Typical average power consumption <0.4 W, maximum 0.5 W.	Brown
2	RS-485- or voltage output	Voltage: 0–5 V DC or 0–10 V DC (default analog output scaling)	White
3	GND	–	Blue

Pin#	Function	Note	Cable 223263SP wire colors
4	RS-485 + or current output	Current: 0–20 mA or 4–20 mA (default analog output scaling)	Black
5	Output control	Connecting pin #5 to GND (pin #3) forces the probe to analog output mode. If an analog output configuration has not been selected, default 0– 10 V DC and 4–20 mA scalings are used. If pin #5 is not connected, the analog or digital output selected when ordering or set later through configuration is used.	Gray



Note that the probe always remains in analog mode when pin #5 is connected to pin #3, and cannot be switched to digital output in this wiring option.

4. Modbus

The probe can be accessed using the Modbus serial communication protocol. The supported Modbus variant is Modbus RTU (Serial Modbus) over RS-485 interface.

For instructions on enabling the Modbus mode when you are using the probe with Vaisala Industrial Protocol, see [Enabling Modbus mode from Vaisala Industrial Protocol \(page 68\)](#).

For instructions on switching to Vaisala Industrial Protocol when the probe is in Modbus mode, see [Accessing serial commands from Modbus or analog mode \(page 68\)](#).

For information on using Modbus with the Indigo202 digital transmitter, see [Modbus overview \(page 38\)](#).

The pre-configured default Modbus serial settings are presented in the following table.

Table 5 Default Modbus serial communication settings

Description	Default value
Serial bit rate	19200
Parity	N
Number of data bits	8
Number of stop bits	2
Modbus device address	240

More information

- [Modbus registers \(page 132\)](#)

5. Vaisala Insight PC software

Vaisala Insight PC software is a configuration and calibration software for Vaisala devices. Insight is available for the Windows operating system (64-bit only). For a full list of supported operating system versions, see vaisala.com/insight.

With Insight, you can:

- See device information and status.
- See real-time measurement data.
- Configure serial communication settings, environmental compensation settings, filtering factor, and analog output parameters and scaling.
- Calibrate and adjust the device.
- Perform short-term data logging for laboratory testing or evaluation purposes, for example.



To ensure support for your device, download the latest version of Insight at vaisala.com/insight.

The probe can be connected to Insight using a Vaisala USB cable (item code 242659) or Vaisala Indigo USB adapter (item code USB2).



GMP251 probes support Insight from probe software version 1.3.0 onwards.

5.1 Connecting to Insight software



- Computer with Vaisala Insight software installed
- USB service cable (item code 242659) or Vaisala Indigo USB adapter (item code USB2)



CAUTION! When connecting several devices at the same time, note that your computer may not be able to supply enough power through its USB ports. Use an externally powered USB hub that can supply >2 W for each port.

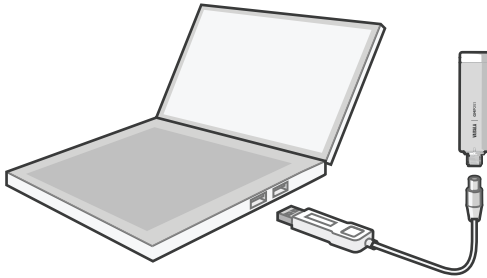


Figure 10 Connecting probe to Insight



Connect the probe to Insight software in the exact order described in the following steps.

- ▶ 1. Open the Insight software on your computer.
- 2. Connect the USB cable to a free USB port on the PC.
- 3. Connect the probe to the USB cable.
- 4. Wait for Insight software to detect the probe.

6. Using GMP251 with Indigo transmitters

Indigo transmitters are host devices that extend the feature set of connected probes with a range of additional options for outputs, configuration access, measurement viewing, and status monitoring.

Available features vary depending on the transmitter model. Models without display use a LED indicator for notifications.

For more information on the features of the different Indigo transmitter models, see vaisala.com/indigo.

For instructions on installing and configuring Indigo transmitters, see the applicable Indigo transmitter user documentation available at the Vaisala documentation portal docs.vaisala.com.

6.1 GMP251 with Indigo200 series transmitters

6.1.1 Introduction to Indigo200 transmitters

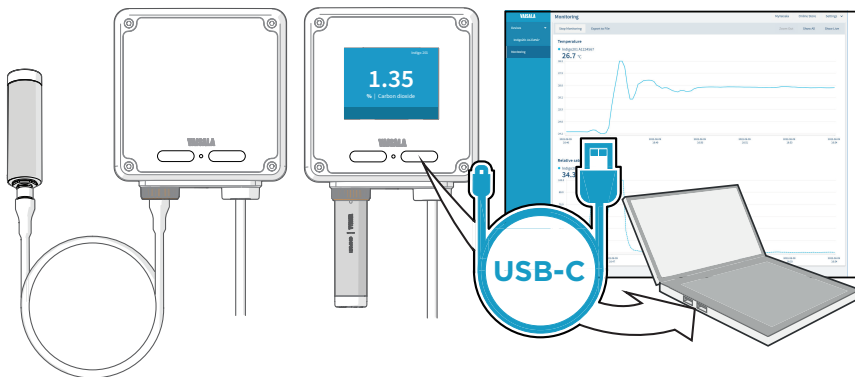


Figure 11 Indigo201 with and without display

Vaisala Indigo200 transmitters are a plug-and-play host device platform for Vaisala Indigo-compatible probes. Indigo transmitters extend the feature set of connected probes with a range of additional options for outputs, measurement viewing, status monitoring, and configuration interface access.

Depending on the Indigo200 transmitter model, a display is available as an optional selection or as a standard feature. In the non-display model, an LED indicator is used for notifications. Probes can be connected either directly on the transmitter from the probe's connector, or by using a cable between Indigo and the probe.

For easy access to configuration and additional monitoring options, the transmitter can be connected to Vaisala Insight PC software with a USB cable.

The Indigo201 transmitter is designed for analog output applications. The transmitter's output options include 3 analog output channels (current or voltage) and 2 relays.

The Indigo202 transmitter is designed for digital output applications. The transmitter's output options include RS-485 Modbus RTU and 2 programmable relays.



Note that Indigo200 transmitters switched from a WLAN configuration interface to a USB-C cable configuration interface (Vaisala Insight PC software) in 2022. For instructions on configuring GMP251 probes with the earlier WLAN interface, see the earlier *GMP251 User Guide* revision M211799EN-G, available at docs.vaisala.com.

For more information on Indigo transmitter models, see vaisala.com/indigo.

6.1.2 Connecting probes



CAUTION! Only connect compatible measurement devices to the transmitter. Attempting to connect incompatible devices or cables can damage the equipment. Refer to transmitter specifications for compatibility information.



Probes and probe cables can be connected to the transmitter both when it is powered on and when it is powered off.

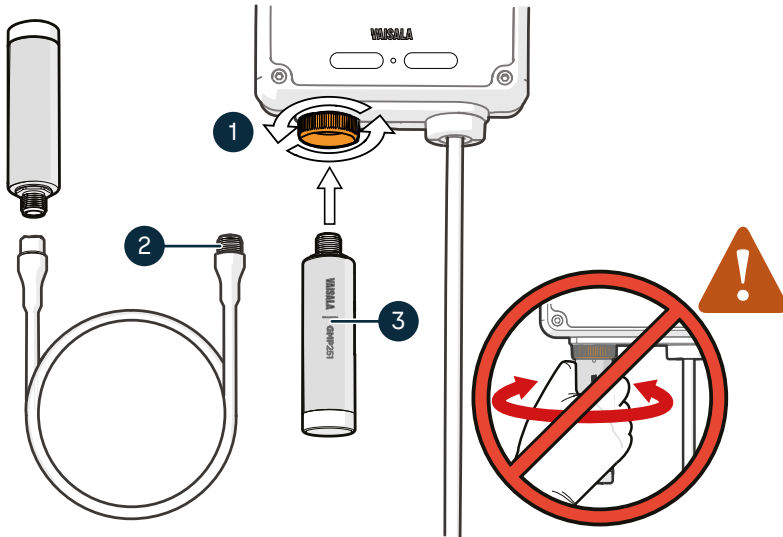


Figure 12 Connecting probes and cables to Indigo200

- 1 Probes are locked in place with the locking wheel. **Never turn from the probe body.**
 - 2 Probe connection cables are connected in the same way as probes: insert the cable in the connector and hold in place while turning the locking wheel.
 - 3 Probes are inserted into the probe connector with the Vaisala logo facing out.
- ▶ 1. Insert the probe into the probe connector with the Vaisala logo on the probe body facing out. Note the orientation of the cable connector pins when inserting.
2. Hold the probe in the probe connector and lock it in place by turning the locking wheel **counterclockwise**. Never turn the probe body when connecting or removing probes, only the locking wheel of the transmitter.
3. If no previous configuration exists (that is, this is the first time a probe is connected to the transmitter, and no configuration has been set manually), the transmitter adapts the analog output settings of the connected Vaisala Indigo-compatible probe automatically.



If a configuration that differs from the connected probe's configuration exists in the transmitter, you must configure the new probe manually to enable the analog output.

4. When the transmitter recognizes the connected probe, it shows a notification message on the display (for example, **Probe Connected: GMP251**). In the non-display model, a green LED is lit when the transmitter recognizes the probe.

6.1.3 Analog output configuration overview

The transmitter has 3 analog outputs that can be configured with the Insight PC software. Each output has the same set of configuration options in the analog output 1–3 menus under the **Configure device** menu (**Analog output 1** shown in example).



The available selections depend on the probe that is connected to the transmitter (for example, CO₂ output parameter selection is only available for CO₂ probes).

Figure 13 Analog output configuration options example in Insight

The **Analog output type** selection in the **General** menu defines whether the outputs are used for voltage or current output. When you change the output type, Insight reloads the transmitter.

Figure 14 Analog output type (current or voltage) selection in Insight

Receiving analog output settings automatically from probe

The transmitter can receive the analog output settings automatically from the connected probe in the following cases:

- 1. The transmitter is a new unit and has not been configured yet.
- 2. The user has removed the analog output configuration from the transmitter.



It is recommended to always review the analog output settings with the Insight PC software after connecting a probe.

6.1.3.1 Analog output configuration example

- 4–20 mA current output

- ▶ 1. Connect the transmitter to the Insight software.
- 2. Select  and open the **Configure device** menu.
- 3. Open the **General** menu and select **Current output** from the dropdown. Store your selection with **Save**.
- 4. Return to the **Configure device** menu and select one of the 3 analog outputs.
- 5. Select **4 ... 20 mA** from the **Output mode** dropdown.
- 6. Type **0** in the **Output low end** field.
- 7. Type **3.6** in the **Error output level** field.
- 8. Select **Save** to take your configuration into use.

6.1.4 Modbus overview

Indigo202 supports the Modbus RTU serial communication protocol (2-wire RS-485 interface).

There are 2 groups of Modbus register addresses in use in Indigo202: probe registers and Indigo registers. The probe registers are received from the connected probe, and are organized according to the probe's register map. Indigo registers include transmitter-specific information.

Table 6 Indigo202 Modbus registers

Address	Name	Data type
Probe registers (according to the connected probe's register map) ¹⁾		
0x0000	First measurement probe address	
0xDFFF	Last measurement probe address	
Indigo registers		

Address	Name	Data type
0xE000	Status	16-bit
0xE001	Notification and error bits	16-bit
0xE002	Connected probe	text [30]
0xE011	Relay A status	enum
0xE012	Relay B status	enum

1) See the connected probe's Modbus documentation for probe-specific register information

Received Modbus requests for register operations are handled in two different ways, depending on whether the register is a probe register or an Indigo transmitter register. Addresses above 0xDFFF (that is, Indigo registers) are handled as normal requests. Lower addresses (that is, probe registers 0x0000–0xDFFF) are passed to the measurement probe, and the response from the probe is again passed to the original Modbus client. Indigo can also have a cache for commonly requested registers (Measurement registers).

The maximum response delay is 2 seconds (when the data content needs to be fetched from the probe). The minimum delay between requests is 10 ms.

6.1.4.1 Default communication settings

Configure Device

Indigo202 A1234567

In Advanced Mode

Display

Displayed parameters

Relay output A

Relay output B

Communication

Address

Bit rate

Parity, data, stop bits

10

19200 b/s

N, 8, 2

Save

Close

Figure 15 Insight PC software Communication menu view

Modbus communication settings can be configured in the Insight PC software **Configure device > Communication** menu.

Table 7 Default Modbus serial communication settings

Description	Default value
Serial bit rate	19200
Parity	None
Number of data bits	8
Number of stop bits	2
Modbus device address	10

6.1.5 Relay configuration overview

Indigo200 transmitters have 2 configurable relays (relay A and relay B). Both relays have configuration options for selecting the parameter that is used to control the relay, activation triggers, hysteresis, and error state behavior.

Figure 16 Relay configuration options (CO2 probe example)

- Relay output on/off:** Set to **ON** to enable relay output.
- Output parameter:** The measurement that is used to control the relay. Options vary based on the type of the connected probe.
- Activate above:**
When the measurement value exceeds the value set here, the relay activates.
- Activate below:**
When the measurement value falls below the value set here, the relay activates.
- Hysteresis:** Define a buffer value for relay deactivation (set the value according to the parameter selected for the relay). With hysteresis, an activated relay switches off only when the measured value crosses the relay activation/deactivation limit and the additional buffer value.
- Error output state:** Select which state the relay is set to when an error occurs (on, off, or remains in its current state).

Relay state information

When one or both relays are enabled, the relay state (active/not active) is shown on the transmitter display. You can also view the status of the relays with Insight PC software.

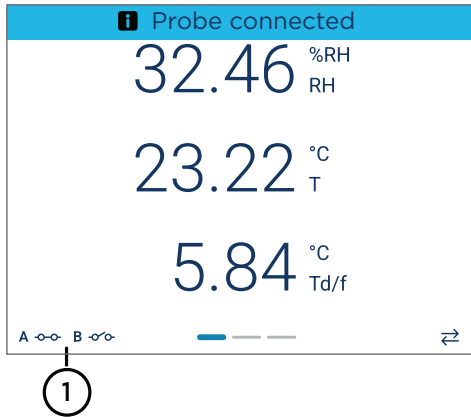


Figure 17 Relay icons on display (relay A active, relay B not active)

6.1.6 Configuring filtering factor with Insight

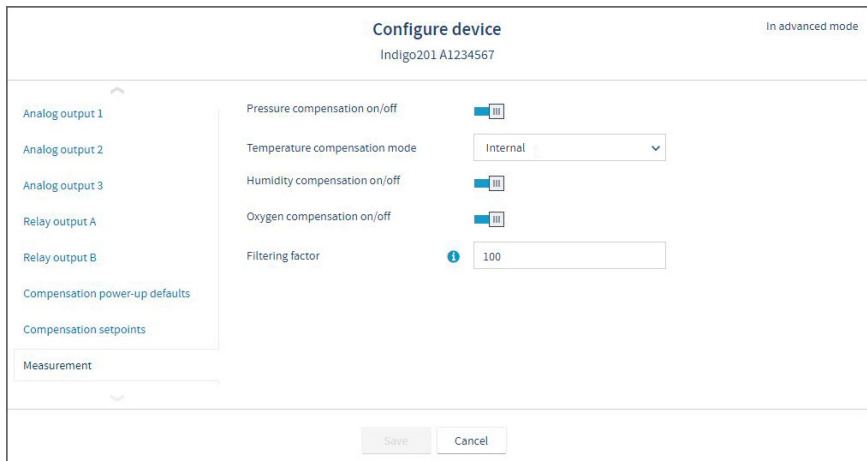


Figure 18 Filtering factor setting in Insight

The filtering factor affects the speed at which the latest measurement is integrated into the output of the probe: a new measurement is produced approximately every two seconds. You can configure the filtering factor in Insight PC software by selecting  > **Configure device > Measurement**. The option is available only in **Advanced mode** of Insight.

By default, the filtering factor is set to 1.0 (1.0 = 100 in the configuration range of the Insight user interface), which means the latest measurement is shown directly in the output, without any filtering. To apply filtering, enter a lower filtering factor to include previous measurements in the calculation of measurement output. For example, changing the filtering factor to 0.1 results in an output that is a combination of previous measurements (90 %) and the latest measurement (10 %).

The configuration range of the filtering factor is 0–100: for example, to set the factor to 0.5, set the value to 50 in the **Filtering factor** field.

More information

- [Filtering factor \(page 21\)](#)

6.2 Connecting probe to Indigo300 transmitter

Indigo300 transmitters have a probe connector where compatible probes can be attached directly. A cable may also be used to connect the probe. Cables are available to order at store.vaisala.com.



CAUTION! The IP classification of probes is valid only when the probes are connected to the probe connection cable, or to the cable connector inside the locking wheel of the transmitter.

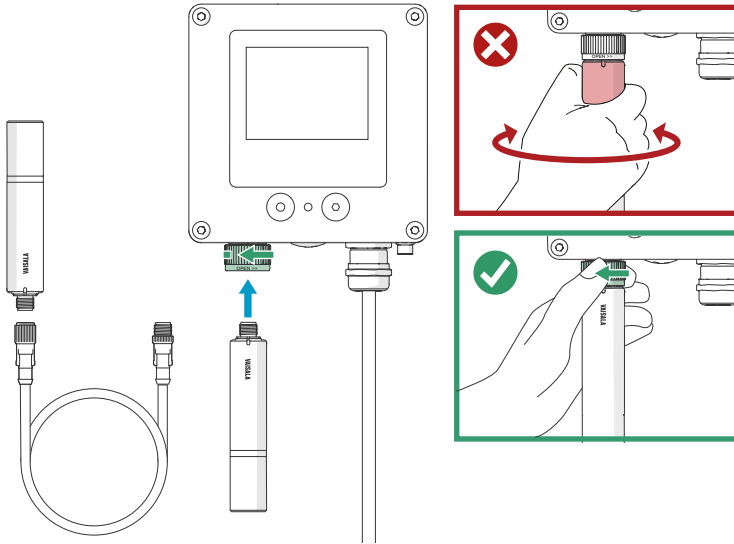


Figure 19 Connecting probe to Indigo300 transmitter

- ▶ 1. Insert the probe or the cable into the transmitter's connector.
2. Turn the locking wheel of the transmitter to lock the probe or cable in place. **Do not turn the probe or the cable itself**, as that will damage the connectors.
3. If you are using a cable, connect the probe to the cable.
4. When the transmitter recognizes the connected probe, it shows a notification message on the display.

6.3 Connecting probes to Indigo500 series transmitters



CAUTION! The IP classification of probes is valid only when the probes are connected to the probe connection cable.



If your transmitter was delivered with preconfigured analog outputs, make sure that you connect the measurement devices accordingly.

Probes are connected to Indigo500 series transmitters using a cable. Connections are made to the screw terminals inside the housing. The Indigo520 model allows 2 probes to be connected. After connecting a probe, use the touchscreen interface or the web user interface to configure the transmitter.

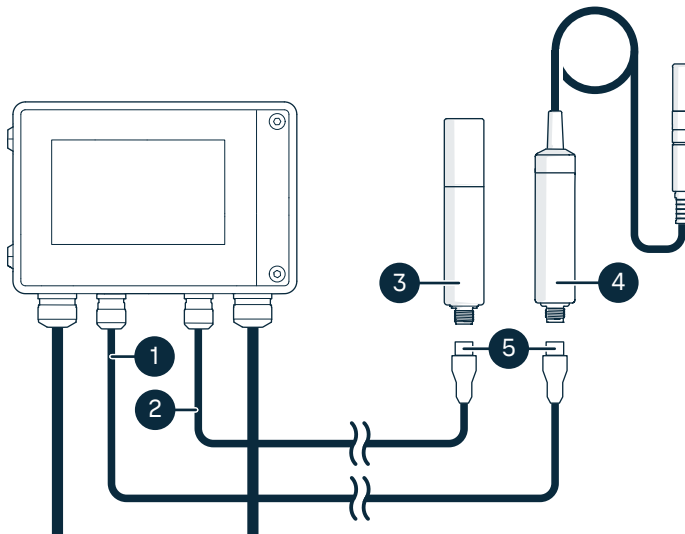


Figure 20 Connecting probes to Indigo500 transmitter

- 1 Probe connection cable for probe 1
- 2 Probe connection cable for probe 2 (dual-device support in Indigo520)
- 3 Probe to be connected as probe 2 (GMP252 example)
- 4 Probe to be connected as probe 1 (HMP7 example)
- 5 Probe cable connector (M12 5-pin A-coded female)

7. Using GMP251 with Indigo80 handheld indicator

7.1 Indigo80 handheld indicator

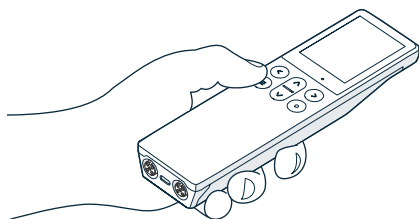


Figure 21 Indigo80 handheld indicator

Vaisala Indigo80 Handheld Indicator is a portable diagnostics tool that accommodates up to two compatible Vaisala devices for measuring a wide range of parameters.

With the indicator, you can:

- See real-time measurements and device and status information
- Log measurement data
- Calibrate and adjust the probe
- Configure probe features and settings such as compensation setpoints, filtering factor, and serial communication. The available features and settings depend on the probe model and firmware version.



Accessing certain configuration options for your probe is possible only using the free Insight PC software, downloadable at vaisala.com/insight.

The help tours in the indicator's user interface guide you through the key features of the indicator. You can access the tours in the **Help** menu by pressing the ⓘ button.

For more information on using the indicator, for example, editing the measurement views and performing data logging, see [Indigo80 User Guide \(M212722EN\)](#).

More information

- [Configuring probe features with Indigo80 handheld indicator \(page 49\)](#)
- [Configuring environment settings with Indigo80 handheld indicator \(page 50\)](#)

7.1.1 Probe compatibility

The Indigo80 handheld indicator is tested for compatibility with probes that have firmware version 1.3.7 or newer.

Probes with older firmware versions may have limited compatibility with the indicator.

For the most up-to-date version compatibility information, see [Firmware version compatibility of Indigo80-compatible devices Technical Note \(M212901EN\)](#).

7.1.2 Indigo80 keypad

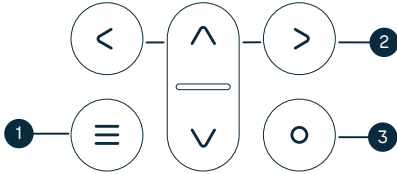


Figure 22 Indigo80 keypad

- 1 Power on/off and main menu button
- 2 Arrow buttons for navigating menus and scrolling views
- 3 Select button for selecting items in the user interface

7.1.3 Indigo80 main menu

Pressing the button while navigating the Indigo80 menus and views opens the main menu.

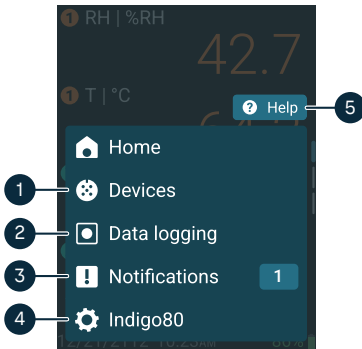


Figure 23 Indigo80 main menu

- 1 **Devices** menu contains, for example, options related to sensor purge, calibration, and environment settings (depending on the connected device).
- 2 **Data logging** menu for setting logging interval and duration, and browsing data files.
- 3 **Notifications** menu displays notifications related to Indigo80 and the connected devices.
- 4 **Indigo80** menu for changing the settings of Indigo80 (for example, date, time, and language) and viewing device information.
- 5 **Help** menu contains tours showing the key features of Indigo80, as well as instructions for sending devices to Vaisala for calibration and maintenance.

7.2 Connecting probes to Indigo80



- Probe connection cable (M12-M12, Vaisala item code 272075SP)

Up to two Vaisala Indigo-compatible measurement devices can be connected to the ports located on the bottom of Indigo80. You can connect and disconnect devices both when the indicator is powered on and when it is off.

Vaisala recommends using cables provided by Vaisala when connecting devices to the indicator. Cables and other accessories are available to order at store.vaisala.com.

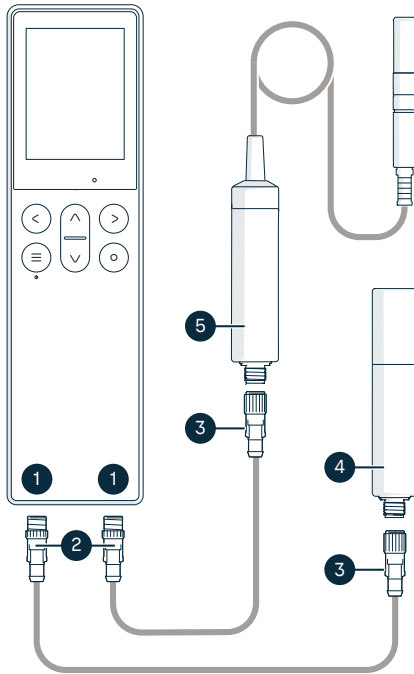


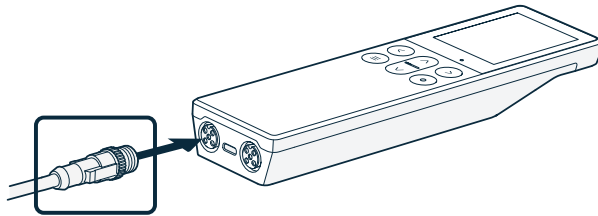
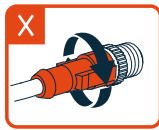
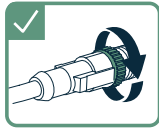
Figure 24 Example of connecting probes to Indigo80

- 1 M12-5F ports on the bottom of Indigo80 for connecting compatible Vaisala devices. Ports are labeled ① (left) and ② (right) on Indigo80.
- 2 M12-5M cable connector
- 3 M12-5F cable connector
- 4 Probe displayed as ① by Indigo80 (GMP252 shown)
- 5 Probe displayed as ② by Indigo80 (HMP7 shown)

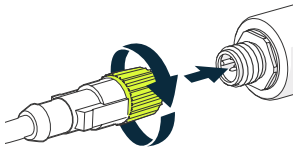
- 1. If the indicator is powered and no devices are connected to it, the text **Please connect a measurement device** will be shown on the display.

2. Insert the probe connection cable in one of the ports on the bottom of the indicator.

- **Note the orientation of the cable connector when inserting it**
- **Hold the connector in place while turning its locking ring clockwise – never twist the connector body!**



3. Connect the probe to the M12-5F end of the probe connection cable.



When the indicator recognizes the connected probe, it shows a notification on the display. A probe connected to the leftmost port in the indicator is labeled **❶** on the indicator's display, while the probe in the rightmost port is labeled **❷**.

4. To change probes, simply detach the cable from the probe and connect a new probe.



For optimal measurement accuracy, the indicator guides you to check the connected probe's environment settings next.

More information

- [Connecting GMP80P to Indigo80 \(page 53\)](#)

7.3 Configuring probe features with Indigo80 handheld indicator



- Probe connection cable (M12-M12, Vaisala item code 272075SP)

You can use the Indigo80 handheld indicator to configure probe features such as compensation setpoints, filtering factor, and serial communication. The available features depend on the probe model and firmware version.



Accessing certain configuration options for your probe is possible only using the free Insight PC software, downloadable at vaisala.com/insight.

1. Connect the probe(s) to the indicator.
2. Open the indicator main menu by pressing .
3. Select **Devices**. If you have more than one device connected to the indicator, make a further selection between the devices.
4. Select **Settings** to access and change the features available for your probe.
5. Exit the menu by pressing or return to the main menu by pressing .

More information

- [Environmental compensation \(page 19\)](#)
- [Filtering factor \(page 21\)](#)

7.3.1 Example of configuring filtering factor with Indigo80 handheld indicator



- Probe connection cable (M12-M12, Vaisala item code 272075SP)

The filtering factor allows averaging the output if the measuring environment produces occasional exceptionally high or low readings.

This example shows how to configure the filtering factor as **90** using the Indigo80 handheld indicator.

This means that the new measurement output is a combination of the latest measurement (90 %) and the previous measurement (10 %).

1. Connect the probe(s) to the indicator.

2. Open the indicator main menu by pressing .
3. Select **Devices**. If you have more than one device connected to the indicator, make a further selection between the devices.
4. Select **Settings > Measurement**.
5. Select **Filtering factor**.
 - a. Use the arrow buttons to set the value as **90**.
 - b. Select **Set**.
6. Exit the menu by pressing  or return to the main menu by pressing .

More information

- [Filtering factor \(page 21\)](#)

7.4 Configuring environment settings with Indigo80 handheld indicator



- Probe connection cable (M12-M12, Vaisala item code 272075SP)

For optimal measurement accuracy, you can use the Indigo80 handheld indicator to give additional information about the connected probe's measurement environment.

For example, you can:

- Configure the pressure compensation setting for your probe
- Enable temperature compensation from another Indigo-compatible probe that has a temperature output



The environment settings available through Indigo80 correspond to the environmental compensation settings of the probe. Therefore, **Environment settings** and **Settings > Compensation setpoints** are interconnected: the configuration set in either menu is applied to both.

- ▶ 1. Connect the probe(s) to the indicator.
2. Open the indicator main menu by pressing .
3. Select **Devices**. If you have more than one device connected to the indicator, make a further selection between the devices.

4. Select **Environment settings** to access the settings for your probe.

The available environment settings depend on the probe and probe firmware version.

Pressure

Temporary value for pressure compensation. At device restart, compensation value changes back to power-up default value.

Temperature

Temporary value for temperature compensation. At device reset, compensation value changes back to the power-up default value.

Relative humidity

Temporary value for relative humidity compensation. At device reset, compensation value changes back to the power-up default value.

Oxygen concentration

Temporary value for oxygen concentration compensation. At device reset, compensation value changes back to the power-up default value.

5. Select a setting from the list, for example, **Pressure**.

- a. Select the unit, if prompted.

- b. Use the arrow buttons to set the desired value, and then select **OK** or **Set**.

You can also select to read the value from another probe connected to the indicator, provided that the probe can output the required compensation parameter. Press  to highlight the **Read value from** field, and then press  to select the other probe as the source of the value.

6. Scroll down the **Environment settings** view and check that the compensation settings corresponding to the environment settings you defined in the previous steps are set to **On**.

For example:

- If you set a value for **Pressure**, make sure that **Pressure compensation on/off** is set to **On** as well.
- If you set a value for temperature, make sure that **Temperature** is set to **Setpoint**.

7. Exit the menu by pressing  or return to the main menu by pressing .

8. GMP80P Portable CO₂ Probe with Pump Sampling

8.1 GMP80P product overview



Figure 25 Vaisala GMP80P CO₂ probe

Vaisala GMP80P CO₂ probe, which incorporates the GMP251 probe, has been designed for portable sampling use in high-humidity applications, such as incubators, and spot-checking use with fixed CO₂ transmitters.

CO₂ measurement data can be monitored with Vaisala Indigo80 Handheld Indicator connected to GMP80P. Indigo80 can be used for short-time logging of measurement data, as well as for calibrating and adjusting GMP80P. GMP80P is powered by Indigo80, which can supply power for up to two GMP80P probes.

GMP80P can also be connected to a PC running Vaisala Insight PC software for Windows®, which can be used for field calibration, device analytics, configuration functionality, and powering of GMP80P.

More information

- Vaisala Insight PC software (page 32)
- Indigo80 handheld indicator (page 45)
- GMP80P installation and sampling (page 55)
- GMP80P specifications (page 123)
- GMP80P dimensions (page 128)

8.2 GMP80P probe structure

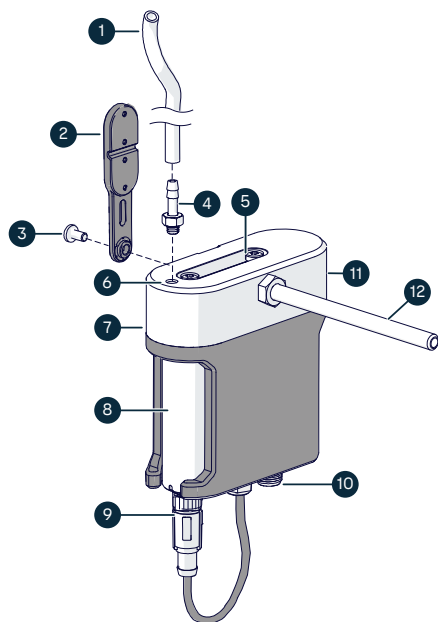


Figure 26 GMP80P probe structure

- 1 Optional plastic tube for gas outlet (not provided by Vaisala)
- 2 Magnetic hanger for attaching GMP80P to metallic surfaces
- 3 Hex-head screw (M4×8) for magnetic hanger
- 4 Gas port, suitable for ID 4 mm (approx. ID 5/32 in) polyurethane or silicone tubing
- 5 Condensation window
- 6 Gas outlet
- 7 CO₂ measurement chamber
- 8 Vaisala GMP251 CO₂ probe
- 9 M12 cable connector for CO₂ probe
- 10 M12 connector for probe connection cable 272075SP (connection to Indigo80 indicator)
- 11 Type label at the back of the device
- 12 Gas inlet through steel pipe (optional polyurethane or Nafion™ membrane tube also available)

8.3 Connecting GMP80P to Indigo80



- Probe connection cable (Vaisala item code 272075SP)



For instructions on connecting GMP80P to the Indigo80 indicator, see [Connecting probes to Indigo80 \(page 46\)](#).

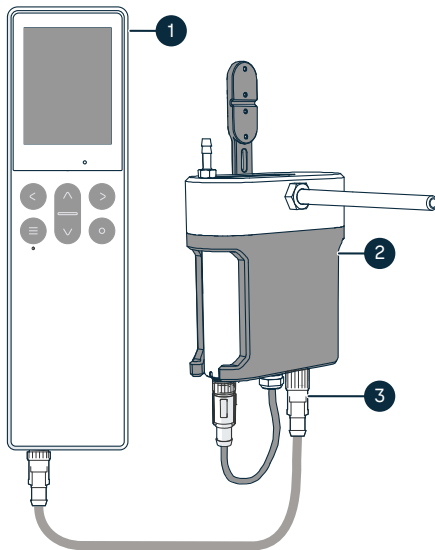
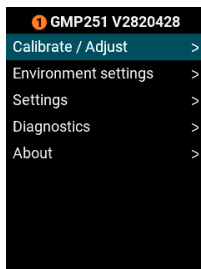


Figure 27 GMP80P connected to Indigo80

- 1 Indigo80 indicator
- 2 GMP80P probe
- 3 Probe connection cable 272075SP connected to the rightmost M12 connector of GMP80P

Note that Indigo80 identifies the GMP80P probe as **GMP251**:



More information

- [Connecting probes to Indigo80 \(page 46\)](#)

8.3.1 Configuring GMP80P for sampling use

Before starting measurements, configure the GMP251 probe in GMP80P for sampling use with Indigo80:

- ▶ 1. **Set temperature compensation mode:** ¹⁾
 - a. With GMP80P connected to Indigo80, open the indicator main menu by pressing .
 - b. Select **Devices**. If you have more than one device connected to the indicator, make a further selection between the devices.
 - c. Select **Settings**.
 - d. Select **Measurement > Temperature compensation mode**.
 - e. Select **Internal** (if not already selected). ²⁾
 - f. Press  to return to the **Settings** menu.
2. **Set relative humidity compensation value:**
 - a. In the **Settings** menu, select **Compensation setpoints > Relative humidity**.
 - b. Depending on your sampling method, enter the relative humidity value as follows:
 - **Steel pipe:** 97 %RH
 - **Plastic tube:** 90 %RH
 - **Nafion tube combined with plastic tube:** relative humidity value of ambient air in the location where your GMP80P is located (for example, 40 %RH)
 - c. Select **Set** to take the value into use.
 - d. Exit the menu by pressing  or return to the main menu by pressing .

8.4 GMP80P installation and sampling



When sampling from high-humidity environments, for example inside incubators, the measurement accuracy of GMP80P is affected by the water condensing off the gas sample. As the gas sample dries during the sampling process, the CO₂ concentration of the dry sample will be higher than in the wet sample taken in the measurement environment. To determine the most accurate measurement values in your sampling environment, see [Table 8 \(page 57\)](#) in section [CO₂ dilution coefficients for pump sampling method \(page 57\)](#).

In high-humidity applications, for example inside incubators, conditions are typically warm and humid (37 °C (98.6 °F), > 80 %RH). This means that condensed water will form easily in the tubing between GMP80P and the incubator, or inside the measurement chamber of GMP80P (when sampling with the steel pipe). To prevent condensation from affecting measurement accuracy, note the condensation prevention considerations in sections [Sampling using plastic tube \(page 58\)](#) and [Sampling using steel pipe \(page 59\)](#).

- 1) For GMP251 probes with configuration code A1C0CON1, the correct temperature compensation mode has already been set at the factory.
- 2) For probes with firmware version earlier than 1.4.3, the option is called **Measured**.

8.4.1 Nafion membrane tube in sampling

For condensation prevention in sampling, Vaisala recommends using a Nafion membrane tube to maximize transfer of water vapor from the sample to ambient air. The Nafion material is highly selective in the removal of water. Water moves through the membrane wall and evaporates into the surrounding air in a process called pervaporation. For more information about the technology, see permapure.com.



Figure 28 Nafion tube, Vaisala item code 212807SP

The following accessories for tube sampling are available, either when ordering the GMP80P probe or from store.vaisala.com:

Description	Item code
Sampling tube (Nafion membrane and polyurethane), 2.1 m (6 ft 11 in) ¹⁾	GMTUBESP
Sampling tube (Nafion membrane), 0.6 m (1 ft 12 in)	212807SP
Sampling tube (polyurethane), 1.5 m (4 ft 11 in)	279471SP

1) Consists of a 0.6-m (1 ft 12 in) Nafion tube and a 1.5-m (4 ft 11 in) polyurethane tube.



To prevent breaking the Nafion tube, do not insert it directly through the incubator sampling port or attach it to GMP80P. Instead, use a short section of plastic tube (for example, polyurethane tube) at both ends of the Nafion tube. For a setup example, see [Figure 29 \(page 58\)](#).

Plastic tube specifications:

- Inner diameter: 4 mm (approx. 5/32 in)
- Outer diameter: 6 mm (approx. 15/64 in)

Vaisala spare part item GMTUBESP consists of a Nafion tube and a compatible polyurethane tube for this purpose.

8.4.2 CO₂ dilution coefficients for pump sampling method

When using drying tubing (for example, Nafion) for sampling, the CO₂ concentration of the dry sample will be slightly higher than in the wet sample. This is due to water condensing off the warm, humid gas sample as it cools down. In a sampling environment with humidity and temperature higher than ambient air, the CO₂ concentration is diluted by the volume that the water vapor occupies. If water vapor is removed from the sample, the fractions occupied by other gases, including CO₂, will increase accordingly.

Table 8 (page 57) lists the three sampling methods of GMP80P and gives the dilution coefficients for each type of method. When you have the CO₂ measurement value shown by Indigo80, you can use the coefficients given in the table to calculate the actual gas concentration in the sampling environment:

- ▶ 1. On the horizontal axis of the table, select the temperature of the sampling environment (for example, an incubator).
2. Using the coefficient given for the temperature and the sampling method in use, multiply the CO₂ value shown by Indigo80.

For example:

- Sampling method: **Nafion + plastic tube**
- Temperature of sampling environment: **+37 °C**
- CO₂ concentration shown by Indigo80: **5.21 %CO₂**
- Actual CO₂ concentration in sampling environment: **5 %CO₂**
(5.21 %CO₂ × 0.960 = 5 %CO₂)

Table 8 CO₂ dilution coefficients for GMP80P sampling methods at 23 °C (±2 °C) ambient temperature and > 80 %RH

	Temperature of sampled gas (°C)									
Method	+20	+25	+30	+35	+37	+40	+45	+50	+55	+60
Steel pipe	1.000	1.000	0.995	0.988	0.984	0.976	0.962	0.944	0.922	0.897
Plastic tube	1.000	0.998	0.991	0.982	0.977	0.968	0.952	0.932	0.908	0.881
Nafion + plastic tube	0.991	0.984	0.976	0.965	0.960	0.953	0.939	0.923	0.905	0.885

8.4.3 Sampling using plastic tube

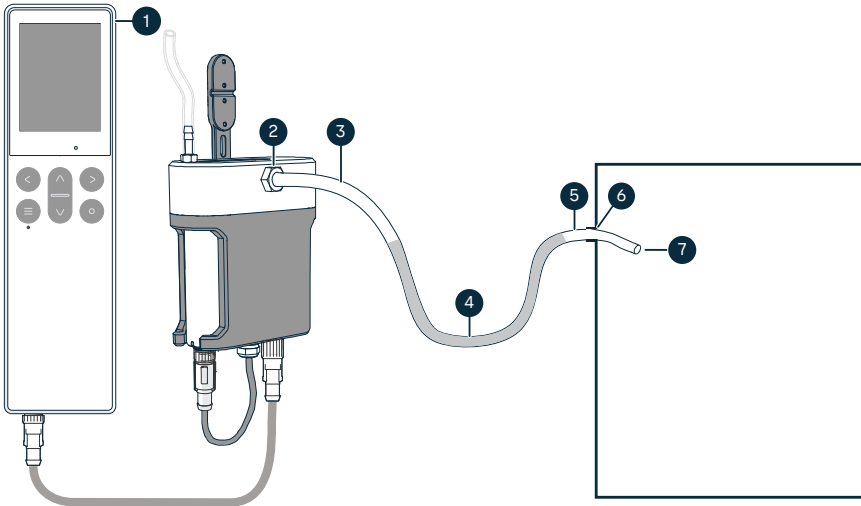


Figure 29 CO₂ sampling from incubator using tube, with GMP80P connected to Indigo80

- 1 Indigo80 indicator
- 2 Adapter for sampling tube (Vaisala item code 279473SP)
- 3 Sampling tube (polyurethane or silicone), OD 6 mm (approx. 15/64 in)
- 4 Section of Nafion membrane tube (moisture exchanger) for optimal condensation prevention. Recommended minimum length approx. 25 cm (10 in).
- 5 Short section of silicone or polyurethane tube. Nafion membrane tube is not recommended to be inserted through the incubator sampling port.
- 6 Incubator sampling port
- 7 Tube inserted into the measurement environment by approx. 5 cm (2 in)

- Position GMP80P higher than the incubator sampling port and leave a loose length of tube hanging between the probe and the incubator (see the figure above).
- Make sure the tube is inserted fully (by approx. 5 cm (2 in)) into the measurement environment.
- Vaisala recommends using a Nafion membrane tube for sampling to maximize transfer of water vapor from the sample to ambient air. For more information about the tube, see [Nafion membrane tube in sampling \(page 56\)](#).
- There is no specific time limit for sampling, but **you need to remove condensed water from the tube from time to time**. Condensation will start to form inside the tube within 5 minutes, actual droplets of water within hours.

To remove condensed water from the sampling tube:

- ▶ 1. Stop the measurement by switching off Indigo80 or by disconnecting GMP80P from Indigo80.

2. Detach the tube from GMP80P and the incubator.
3. Shake the tube to remove any condensed water from inside. Alternatively, you can use compressed air to blow moisture out from the tube.
4. Leave the tube to dry in room temperature.
5. Reattach the tube to GMP80P and the incubator sampling port and continue the measurement.

8.4.4 Sampling using steel pipe

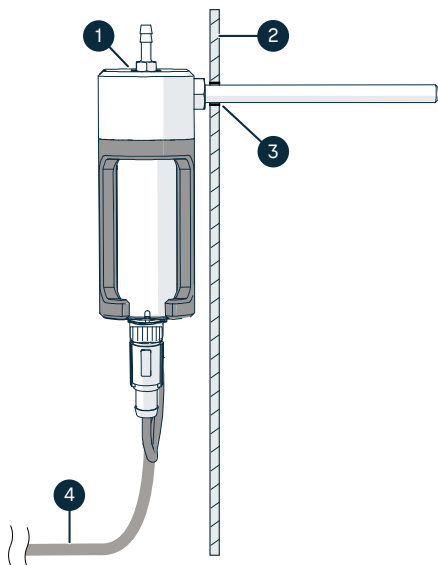


Figure 30 CO₂ sampling from incubator using pipe

- 1 Condensation window
- 2 Incubator wall
- 3 GMP80P sampling pipe inserted through the incubator sampling port
- 4 Connection cable to Indigo80

- Recommended maximum sampling time with the pipe is 15 minutes. Monitor the level of condensation through the condensation window on top of GMP80P.
- Let GMP80P dry between measurements. For example, after a sampling time of 5 minutes, 10 minutes of drying time is required.

To remove condensed water from GMP80P:

1. Detach GMP80P from the incubator wall (do not disconnect from Indigo80).
2. Place GMP80P on a flat surface and leave it running, making sure it does not fall off the surface.

You can continue measuring when there is no more condensation visible in the window on top of GMP80P.

9. Operating with MI70 indicator

9.1 Overview of MI70 support

The GMP251 probe is compatible with instruments that utilize the MI70 indicator, for example the GM70 Handheld Carbon Dioxide Meter. The MI70 indicator is a convenient service tool for viewing the measurement readings and performing calibration and 1-point adjustment.

9.1.1 Probe warm-up and MI70 automatic power off

Note that the probe's warm-up time to full accuracy specification when starting up the probe can be several minutes. When you power the probe with the MI70 indicator, disable the automatic power off feature of MI70 to keep the probe powered on continuously in order to avoid probe restart. To ensure powering during measurements, it is recommended to use the MI70 charging adapter when possible.

9.2 Basic display

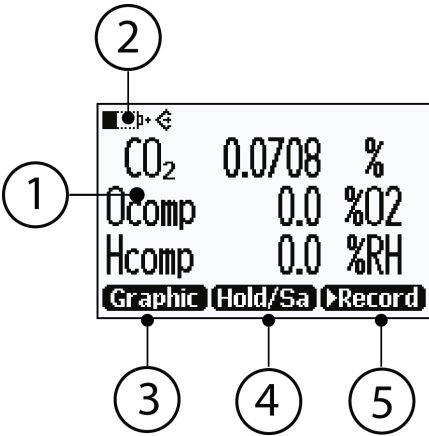


Figure 31 MI70 basic display

- 1 Measured parameter and compensations (up to three items on display simultaneously). You can change the shown items in **Main menu > Display > Quantities and units**.
- 2 Battery indicator. Shows current status (charge) of the battery.
- 3 Function key **Graphic** shows the readings as a curve.
- 4 Function key **Hold/Save** freezes the display and you can save the reading in the MI70 memory.
- 5 Function key **Record** is a quick access to the **Recording/Viewing** menu.

You can change the default function key shortcuts (**Graphic**, **Hold/Save**, **Record**) to other menus or functions in **Main menu > Settings > User interface > Program shortcut keys**.

9.3 Graphical display

The graphical display shows you the measurements as a curve (the curve of the uppermost parameter shown in the basic display). From the curve you can examine the data trend and history of the last minutes.

To open the graphical display, select **Graphic** in the basic display or select **Main menu > Display > Graphic history > Show**.

To get the statistical info on the graph area (minimum, maximum, and average values), press **Info**.

To get the curve of the other selected parameters, press **Next**. To get the curves of all the parameters, press **Next** until the text **All** appears, and then select **All**.

To zoom in and out, press the up/down arrow buttons.

To move back and forward in the timeline, use the left/right arrow buttons.

9.4 Main menu

In the main menu, you can configure the MI70 settings and basic display options, view information about the probe, access recordings and clear the memory, set alarms, start adjustments, and use the analog output option of the MI70 indicator.

To open the main menu and navigate in the menus:

- ▶ 1. Go to the basic display.
2. Press any arrow button, then select  **Open** (must be pressed within 5 seconds or the indicator returns to the basic display).
3. Move in the menus using the   buttons.
4. Select an item with the  button.
5. To return to the previous level, press .
6. To return to normal operation, press  **Exit**.

9.5 Connecting probe to MI70 indicator

- ▶ 1. If the probe is installed permanently into a device (for example, an incubator or a chamber), disconnect the probe from the connector.
2. If the MI70 indicator is on, turn it off.
3. Connect the probe to the MI70 indicator using the MI70 connection cable (Vaisala item code: CBL210472).
4. Turn on the MI70 indicator (time and date are requested at first startup). MI70 detects the probe and proceeds to show the measurement screen. The parameters measured by probe will start to show valid measurement results after a few seconds.

9.6 MI70 indicator parts

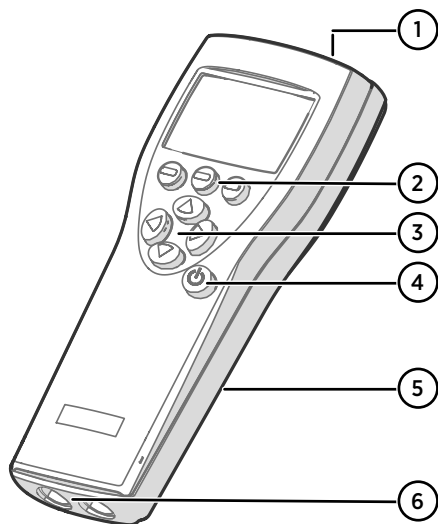


Figure 32 MI70 indicator parts

- 1 Charger socket
- 2 Function key shortcut buttons . The functions change according to what you are doing with the indicator.
- 3 Arrow buttons:
 -  Move up in a menu
 -  Move down in a menu
 -  Enter a sub-menu
 -  Return to previous menu level
- 4 Power On/Off button
- 5 Battery compartment at the back of the indicator
- 6 2 ports with M12 4-pin female connectors for connecting probes and instruments. The ports are labeled I and II.

To open menus, press an arrow button and then press the shortcut buttons. To activate a function shown above the shortcut button, press the shortcut button. To navigate in the menus, press the arrow buttons.

9.7 Holding and saving the display

With the **Hold/Save** function, you can freeze a certain display reading. This reading can be saved in the MI70 memory and it will be available even after MI70 is disconnected from the transmitter.

- ▶ 1. In the basic display, select **Hold/Save**. Alternatively, select **Main menu > Display > Hold/Save display > Hold**.
2. Press **Save**.
3. To view the saved display, go to basic display and select **Record > View recorded data**. Alternatively, select **Main menu > Recording/Viewing > View recorded data**.

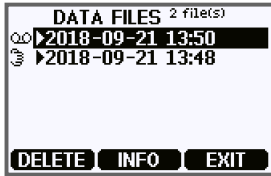
A list of saved displays and data recordings appears. The icons on the left of the date and time indicate whether the file is a saved display or a longer recording of data:



Saved display

Data recording

4. Select the saved display based on date and time by pressing the right arrow button.



9.8 Recording data

With MI70, you can record transmitter measurement data over a certain period at chosen intervals. These recordings are saved in the MI70 memory and are available even after MI70 is disconnected from the transmitter. To start recording, select the **Record** function key in the basic display, or navigate to the recording menu: **Main menu > Recording/Viewing > Record data**.

9.9 Changing environmental compensation settings with MI70 indicator

You can see the compensation values that are currently used by the probe by selecting them as display quantities from **Main menu > Display > Quantities and Units**. The quantities are as follows:

- **Tcomp**: currently active temperature compensation value.
- **Pcomp**: currently active pressure compensation value.
- **Ocomp**: currently active oxygen concentration compensation value.
- **Hcomp**: currently active relative humidity compensation value.

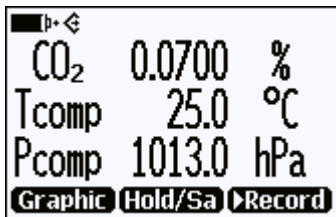


Figure 33 CO₂ reading with Tcomp and Pcomp on MI70 screen

You can change the compensation settings from **Main menu > Settings > Measurement settings**.

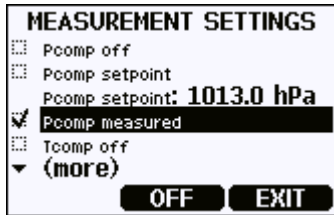


Figure 34 Probe compensation settings on MI70 screen



When you turn a compensation off, the probe still shows a value for the corresponding display quantity (for example, Pcomp shows 1013.2 hPa). This is the default compensation value that is mathematically neutral for the probe's internal compensation model.



GMP251 cannot receive the compensation values from a second probe connected to MI70. Only direct configuration is supported.

10. Vaisala Industrial Protocol

10.1 Vaisala Industrial Protocol overview

The RS-485 line of the probe provides an implementation of the Vaisala Industrial Protocol that can be used for service and configuration use, or for interfacing with the system to which the probe is integrated. The protocol is a plaintext protocol suitable for use both by human operators and automated systems.

10.2 Serial interface settings

Table 9 Default serial interface settings

Property	Description/Value
Bit rate	19200
Parity	None
Data bits	8
Stop bit	1
Flow control	None

10.3 Physical interface

The physical interface is a non-isolated 2-wire interface. The data lines are RS-485 D- and RS-485 D+. Ground is shared with power supply. The connector is a 5-pin male M12.

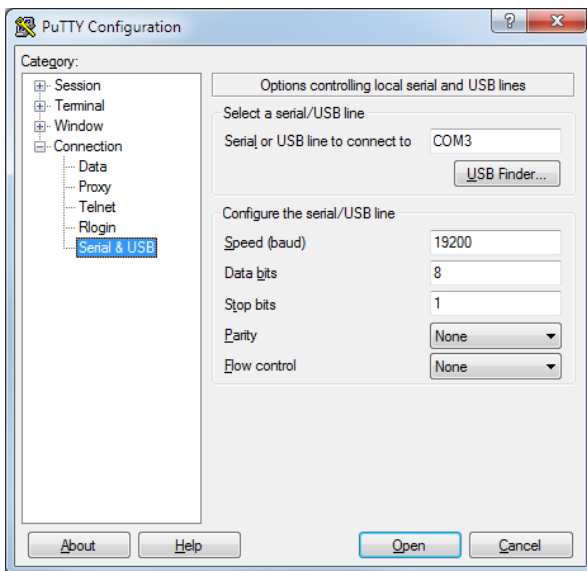
10.4 Connecting with a computer



- Vaisala USB service cable (item code 242659)
- Computer with:
 - Windows operating system
 - Terminal application (for example PuTTY, available from vaisala.com/software)
 - Free USB port
 - Driver for Vaisala USB service cable installed (available on the cable installation media and at vaisala.com/software)

The steps below describe how to connect to the probe using the PuTTY terminal application for Windows and a USB computer connection cable. Connecting with a computer allows you to configure and troubleshoot your probe using serial line commands.

- ▶ 1. If you have not used the Vaisala USB cable before, install the driver before attempting to use the cable.
2. Connect the USB serial interface cable between your computer and the M12 connector of the probe.
3. Start the PuTTY application.
4. Select **Connection > Serial & USB** and check that the correct COM port is selected in the **Serial or USB line to connect to** field. If you are using the PuTTY terminal application supplied by Vaisala, you can press the **USB Finder** button to open the Vaisala USB Instrument Finder program.
5. Check that the other serial settings are correct for your connection, and change if necessary. **Flow control** should be set to **None** unless you have a reason to change it.



6. Select **Terminal**. Use the following settings:

Local Echo: Select **Force on**. This setting ensures that your typing is shown on the session window.



CAUTION! Make sure that the **Send line ends with line feeds (CR+LF)** option is not selected. Enabling this option can cause issues with the terminal connection.

7. To open the connection window and start using the serial line, select **Open**.



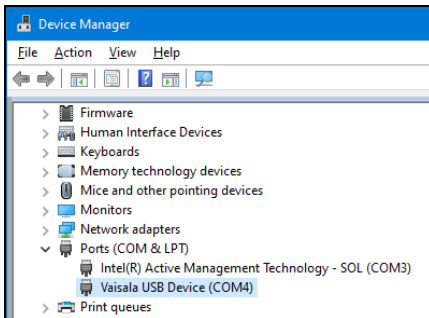
If PuTTY is unable to open the serial port you selected, it shows you an error message instead. If this happens, restart PuTTY and check the settings.

10.4.1 Installing driver for the USB service cable



Only Windows® operating systems are supported by the driver of the USB service cable.

- ▶ 1. Connect the USB service cable to a USB port on your computer. Windows® detects the new device and installs the appropriate driver.
2. Open **Device Manager** from the Windows® Start menu. Use search to find it if necessary (search for "device").
3. Locate the cable in the list of devices:
 - If the device is listed as **Vaisala USB Device** with a COM port number in brackets, the cable is ready for use.
 - If the device is listed as **Vaisala USB Instrument Cable** without a COM port number listed, you must install the driver manually.



4. To install the driver manually:
 - a. Disconnect the USB service cable from the computer.
 - b. Download the Vaisala USB driver at vaisala.com/software (select the appropriate USB Instrument Driver Setup for your cable).
 - c. Extract the driver zip file and run the USB driver installation program *Vaisala USB Device Driver Setup.exe*. Accept the installation defaults.
 - d. Go back to [step 1](#) and verify that the driver installation works as expected.

10.5 Accessing serial commands from Modbus or analog mode

- ▶ 1. Connect the USB cable to your PC and start the terminal application as instructed in [Connecting with a computer \(page 65\)](#).
2. Start a new terminal session using the default serial settings.
3. Keep the Enter key pressed down and connect the probe to the USB cable.

When the probe is powered on (connected to your PC with the USB cable), you must send five carriage returns (Enter key presses) within 0.7 seconds to force the probe to serial command mode. The probe model information appears in the terminal application when the mode has been successfully changed, and Vaisala Industrial Protocol commands are available for use.

4. To test the connection, enter for example the **?** command. If the mode change failed, close the terminal application, disconnect the probe from the USB cable, and repeat [step 2](#) and [step 3](#).
5. To keep the serial mode in use (forced serial mode access is temporary and switches off at reset), select a serial output option (stop/run/poll) with the **smode** command.



Note that the probe always remains in analog mode when pin #5 is connected to pin #3, and cannot be switched to digital output in this wiring option.

10.6 Enabling Modbus mode from Vaisala Industrial Protocol

If you need to switch from Vaisala Industrial Protocol to Modbus mode, you must configure the following settings:

- Serial line operating mode
- Modbus address
- Serial line settings (bit rate, parity, stop and data bits)

- ▶ 1. Connect the USB cable to your PC and start the terminal application as instructed in [Connecting with a computer \(page 65\)](#).
2. Set the serial mode to Modbus with the **smode** command:

```
smode modbus
```

3. Set the Modbus address to 240 with the **addr** command:

```
addr 240
```

4. Set the serial line settings to 19200/N/8/2 with the **seri** command:

```
seri 19200 N 8 2
```

5. Power off (disconnect) the probe or reset with the **reset** command. The new configuration is available at the next restart.

10.7 Changing from digital output to analog output

- ▶ 1. Set up a terminal connection as instructed in [Connecting with a computer \(page 65\)](#).
- 2. Change the mode from digital to analog with the **smode** serial command: **smode analog**.
- 3. Reset the probe (disconnect and reconnect the cable or use the **reset** serial command) to power on in analog output mode.

10.8 Serial commands

The notation **<cr>** refers to the carriage return control character, which you can send in a terminal application by pressing enter on your keyboard. Before entering commands, send a **<cr>** to clear the command buffer.

You can enter the commands in uppercase or lowercase. In the command examples, the keyboard input by the user is in bold type.

[Table 10 \(page 69\)](#) lists the basic serial commands that are available by default. To access advanced serial commands (listed in [Table 11 \(page 70\)](#)), enter the command **pass 1300**.

Table 10 Basic serial commands

Command	Description
Device information and status	
?	Show probe information.
??	Show probe information (will respond in POLL mode).
errs	Show currently active errors.
help	Show list of currently available serial commands.
snum	Show probe serial number.
system	Show probe firmware information.
time	Show probe operation hours and uptime.
vers	Show probe firmware version.

Command	Description
Serial line output and communication	
close	Close connection to probe (POLL mode)
form [modifier string]	Show or set output format.
intv [0 ... 255 s/min/h]	Set continuous output interval for R command.
open [address]	Open connection to probe in POLL mode.
r	Start the continuous outputting.
s	Stop the continuous outputting.
sdelay [1 ... 255]	Show or set serial line transmission delay (1-255, 1 unit = 4 milliseconds)
send	Output a single measurement message.
seri [baud data stop parity]	Show or set the serial interface settings.
smode [mode]	Show or set startup serial mode: RUN , STOP , or POLL .
Environmental compensation	
env	Show or set environmental parameters.
Adjustment information	
adate	Show CO ₂ factory adjustment date.
atext	Show CO ₂ factory adjustment information.
Other commands	
reset	Reset the probe.
pass [1300]	Access advanced serial commands.

Table 11 Advanced serial commands

Command	Description
Serial line output and communication	
addr [0 ... 254]	Show or set probe address.
Analog output	
amode	Show or set analog output mode (analog output limits and error level).
aover	Show or set analog output overrange and clipping behavior.
asel	Show or set analog output parameter and scaling.

Command	Description
Calibration and adjustment	
c_{co2}	Adjust CO ₂ measurement gain and offset.
c_{date}	Show or set calibration date.
ct	Adjust temperature measurement offset.
ctext	Show or set calibration information.
Environmental compensation	
o₂cmode	Show or set oxygen compensation mode.
pcmode	Show or set pressure compensation mode.
rhcmode	Show or set humidity compensation mode.
tcmode	Show or set temperature compensation mode.
Other commands	
frestore	Restore probe to factory settings.

10.9 Device information and status

Table 12 ? command

Syntax	Description
?<cr>	Show listing of device information.
??<cr>	Show listing of device information even if device is in poll mode and connection has not been opened using the open command.
Example: <pre> ? Device : GMP251 Copyright : Copyright (c) Vaisala Oyj 2015. All rights reserved. SW Name : GMP251 SW version : 1.0.0 SNUM : GMP233_5_18 SSNUM : S1234567 CBNUM : c1234567 Calibrated : 20150604 @ Vaisala/R&D Address : 0 Smode : STOP </pre>	

Table 13 `errs` command

Syntax	Description
errs <cr>	Show active error(s). For a list of possible errors and their remedies, see Error messages (page 117) .
Example (no active errors):	
<pre>errs NO CRITICAL ERRORS NO ERRORS NO WARNINGS STATUS NORMAL</pre>	

Table 14 `help` command

Syntax	Description
help <cr>	Show list of currently available serial commands.
Example (showing a list of the basic commands):	
<pre>help ADATE ADDR ATEXT CLOSE ENV ERRS FORM HELP INTV PASS RR ESET RX SDELAY SEND SENDX SERI SMODE SNUM SYSTEM UNIQID TIME VERS</pre>	

Table 15 `snum` command

Syntax	Description
snum <cr>	Show serial number of the probe.

Syntax	Description
Example:	
<pre> snum SNUM : M0220028 </pre>	

Table 16 system command

Syntax	Description
system<cr>	Show probe firmware information.
Example:	
<pre> system Device Name : GMP251 SW Name : GMP251 SW version : 1.0.0 Operating system : TSF0S1.0 </pre>	

Table 17 time command

Syntax	Description
time<cr>	Show how long the probe has been in operation since the last startup or reset. The operation counter is in format hh:mm:ss.
Example:	
<pre> time Time : 01:41:24 </pre>	

Table 18 vers command

Syntax	Description
vers<cr>	Show firmware version of the probe.
Example:	
<pre> vers SW version : 1.0.0 </pre>	

10.10 Serial line output and communication

Table 19 addr command

Syntax	Description
addr <cr>	Show current device address. Addresses are required for POLL mode.
addr [aaa]<cr>	Set new device address. aaa = address, 0–254 (default = 240)
Example (shows 0 as current address, enter 5 as the new address):	
<pre>addr Address : 0 addr 5 Address : 5</pre>	

Table 20 close command

Syntax	Description
close <cr>	Close the connection that was opened with the open command.
Example:	
<pre>close line closed</pre>	

Table 21 form command

Syntax	Description
form <cr>	Show the currently used measurement format.
form /<cr>	Reset measurement format to default.
form [sss]<cr>	Set a new measurement format. sss = String consisting of modifiers and abbreviations for measured parameters. See Table 22 (page 76) and Table 23 (page 76) . Maximum length is 150 characters. Maximum length may be shorter when text strings are used.

Syntax	Description
Example (show currently used measurement format (default format shown here)):	
form 6.0 "C02=" C02 " " U3 #r #n	
Output example (continuous output from RUN mode):	
C02= 452 ppm	
Example (set output format as %CO ₂):	
form 3.1 "C02=" C02% " " U4 #r #n OK	
Output example (continuous output from RUN mode):	
C02= 5.1 %C02 C02= 5.1 %C02 C02= 5.0 %C02 ...	
Example (set output format as CO ₂ ppm with Modulus-65536 checksum):	
form 6.0 "C02=" C02 " " U3 " " CS4 #r #n OK	
Output example (continuous output from RUN mode):	
C02= 3563 ppm 9F C02= 3562 ppm 9E C02= 3559 ppm A4 ...	
Example (set output format as CO ₂ ppm, with start of text (ASCII character 002) and end of text (003) ASCII codes, and without line feed and carriage return at the end):	
form #002 6.0 "C02=" C02 " " U3 #003 OK	
Output example (continuous output from RUN mode, ASCII codes not visible here):	
C02= 866 ppm C02= 866 ppm C02= 867 ppm C02= 867 ppm C02= 867 ppm C02= 868 ppm C02= 868 ppm C02= 869 ppm ...	

Table 22 Output parameters for form command

Output parameter	Abbreviation in form command
Carbon dioxide in ppm	co2
Carbon dioxide in percent	co2%
Currently used temperature compensation value	tcomp
Currently used pressure compensation value	pcomp
Currently used oxygen concentration compensation value	o2comp
Currently used relative humidity compensation value	rhcomp

Table 23 Modifiers for form command

Modifier	Description
x.y	Length modifier (number of digits and decimal places).
#t	Tabulator.
#r	Carriage return.
#n	Line feed.
""	String constant, length 1-15 characters.
#xxx	ASCII code value (decimal) of a special character; for example, #027 for ESC.
addr	Probe address (0-254).
sn	Probe serial number.
time	Cumulative operating hours of the probe.
ux	Name of the measurement unit using x number of characters. For example, u3 shows the name of the measurement unit with three characters.
cs4	Modulus-65536 checksum of message sent so far, ASCII encoded hexadecimal notation.
csx	NMEA xor-checksum of message sent so far, ASCII encoded hexadecimal notation.



You can also use the backslash character \ instead of the hash character #.

Table 24 `intv` command

Syntax	Description
intv <cr>	Show the output interval of the automatically repeating measurement messages (r command and run mode).
intv [iii uuu]<cr>	Set the output interval. • iii = interval, range 0-255 • u = unit for interval setting: • s = seconds • min = minutes • h = hours If you set the interval to 0, the output messages are output as quickly as they are generated, without additional delay.
Example:	
<pre>intv 5 s Output interval: 5 S</pre>	

Table 25 `open` command

Syntax	Description
open [aaa]<cr>	Open a connection to a device at the specified address. Required when device is in poll mode. aaa = address, range 0-254.
Example (target probe in POLL mode, with address 52):	
<pre>open 52 GMP251: 52 Opened for operator commands</pre>	

Table 26 `r` command

Syntax	Description
r <cr>	Start the continuous outputting of measurement values as an ASCII text string to the serial line. The probe keeps outputting measurement messages at the interval that has been set with the intv command until stopped with the s command.

Syntax	Description
Example:	
<pre>r C02= 5.1 %C02 C02= 5.1 %C02 C02= 5.1 %C02 C02= 5.0 %C02 C02= 5.0 %C02 ...</pre>	

Table 27 s command

Syntax	Description
s<cr>	Stop the continuous outputting that was started with the r command.
Example:	
<pre>... C02= 5.1 %C02 C02= 5.0 %C02 C02= 5.0 %C02 s</pre>	

Table 28 sdelay command

Syntax	Description
sdelay<cr>	Show serial line transmission delay (1-255, 1 unit = 4 milliseconds).
sdelay [delay]<cr>	Set a new serial line transmission delay. delay = Serial line delay, range 1-255 (1 unit = 4 milliseconds).
Example (set delay to 0.1 seconds = 25 units):	
<pre>sdelay 25 COM transmit delay : 25</pre>	

Table 29 send command

Syntax	Description
send<cr>	Output a single measurement message.

Syntax	Description
send [aaa]<cr>	Output a single measurement message from a device in poll mode. aaa = address of the probe, range 0-254
Example:	
<pre>send C02= 5.0 %C02</pre>	
Example (target probe in POLL mode, with address 52):	
<pre>send 52 C02= 5.0 %C02</pre>	

Table 30 seri command

Syntax	Description
seri<cr>	Show current serial line settings.
seri [b p d s]<cr>	Set new serial line settings. The new settings will be taken into use when the probe is reset or powered up. b = baud rate (9600, 19200, or 38400) p = parity • n = none • e = even • o = odd d = data bits (7 or 8) s = stop bits (1 or 2) For Modbus, baud rate must be 9600-38400 and parity must be none.
Example (show current settings):	
<pre>seri Com1 Baud rate : 19200 Com1 Parity : N Com1 Data bits : 8 Com1 Stop bits : 1</pre>	

Syntax	Description
Example (set serial line to 9600 baud, even, 7 data bits, and 1 stop bit, and reset the probe to take the new settings in use):	
<pre>seri 9600 e 7 1 OK seri Com1 Baud rate : 9600 Com1 Parity : E Com1 Data bits : 7 Com1 Stop bits : 1 reset GMP251 1.0.0</pre>	

Table 31 smode command

Syntax	Description
smode<cr>	Show current start-up operating mode of the serial line, and prompt to enter new mode.

Syntax	Description
smode [mode]<cr>	Set serial line start-up operating mode. New mode is taken into use when the device is reset or powered up. Available modes: stop = No automatic output. All commands available. Default mode. run = Automatic output of measurement messages. You can stop the output with the s command, and recontinue with the r command. poll = No automatic output. Will respond to addressed send command and ?? command. You can use other commands after opening a connection using an addressed open command. Use with RS-485 buses where multiple probes can share the same line. modbus = Serial line communication uses the Modbus protocol (see Modbus (page 31)). Serial line commands (Vaisala Industrial Protocol) are not accessible in the Modbus mode. For instructions on returning to serial mode, see Accessing serial commands from Modbus or analog mode (page 68). analog = Switches the probe from digital output to analog output (active after probe reset). Serial line commands are not accessible in the analog mode: for instructions on returning to serial mode, see Accessing serial commands from Modbus or analog mode (page 68).
Example (set serial mode to "poll"): <pre>smode poll Serial mode : POLL</pre>	

10.11 Analog output

Table 32 *amode* command

Syntax	Description
amode [channel] <cr>	Show currently set analog output limits and error level. channel = Analog output channel • 1 = voltage output (V) • 2 = current output (mA)
amode [channel lo_value hi_value error_value] <cr>	Set new analog output limits and error output value. channel = Analog output channel • 1 = voltage output (V) • 2 = current output (mA) lo_value = Low limit of the channel. hi_value = High limit of the channel. error_value = Error value of the channel.  When setting the error output voltage, note that the probe's maximum voltage output is 10.325 V.
Example (show current configuration): <pre>pass 1300 amode 1 Aout 1 range (V) : 0.00 ... 10.00 (error : 0.00) amode 2 Aout 2 range (mA) : 4.00 ... 20.00 (error : 2.00)</pre>	
Example (set channel 1 to 0–5 V, and error output to 0.0 V; set channel 2 to 0–20 mA, and error output to 23 mA): <pre>amode 1 0 5 0.0 Aout 1 range (V) : 0.00 ... 5.00 (error : 0.00) amode 2 0 20 23 Aout 2 range (mA) : 0.00 ... 20.00 (error : 23.00)</pre>	

Table 33 aover command

Syntax	Description
aover [channel <cr>	Show the behavior of the analog output when the measured value is outside the scaled output range. channel = Analog output channel • 1 = voltage output (V) • 2 = current output (mA)
aover [channel clipping error_limit]<cr>	Set the behavior of the analog output when the measured value is outside the scaled output range. channel = Analog output channel • 1 = voltage output (V) • 2 = current output (mA) clipping = Output margin (%) at which the output is clipped. error_limit = Measurement value margin (%) at which the output of the channel goes into the error state. The current or voltage output of the error state is defined using the amode command, see Table 32 (page 82) on the previous page.
Example (view currently set analog output overrange behavior on channel 1): <pre>pass 1300 aover 1 Aout 1 clipping :5.00 % Aout 1 error limit :10.00 %</pre>	

Example (for channel 1):

1. View currently set analog output scaling (**asel** command), limits and error level (**amode** command), and overrange behavior (**aover** command):

```
pass 1300
asel 1
Aout 1 quantity : CO2(0 ... 200000)
amode 1
Aout 1 range (V) : 0.00 ... 5.00 (error : 0.00)
aover 1
Aout 1 clipping :1.00 %
Aout 1 error limit :5.00 %
```

2. Set analog output overrange clipping to 5 % and error limit to 10 %:

```
aover 1 5 10
Aout 1 clipping : 5.00 %
Aout 1 error limit : 10.00 %
```

The analog output now behaves like this:

- Clipping is now set to 5.00 %, meaning the voltage output is allowed to vary between 0–5.25 V. The analog channel will output the measurement for 0–210 000 ppm, but range 0–5 V remains scaled to 0–200 000 ppm.
- Error limit is 10 %, which means the output will show the error state (0 V) when the measured CO₂ concentration is 10 % outside the scaled output range. With the settings above, this will happen if the measured CO₂ concentration is outside range 0–220 000 ppm.
- The voltage output will never be above 5.25 V because of clipping: the voltage output is clipped when the output reaches 5.25 V, and if the measured CO₂ concentration keeps rising above 220 000 ppm, the output jumps directly to the error state 0 V.

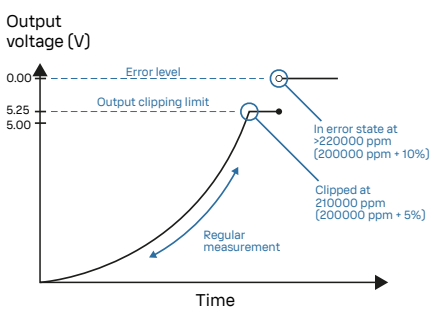


Figure 35 Example of analog output overrange behavior

The example shown above uses output scaled to 0–5 V and 0–200 000 ppm, has error level set to 0 V, clipping set to 5 % overrange, and error limit set to 10 % overrange. CO₂ concentrations (ppm) are indicated for the clipping point and error limit point.

Table 34 asel command

Syntax	Description
asel [channel]<cr>	Show the parameter and scaling of the analog output in ppm. channel = Analog output channel • 1 = voltage output (V) • 2 = current output (mA)

Syntax	Description
asel [channel] [parameter lowlimit highlimit] <cr>	Set the parameter and scaling of the analog output. channel = Analog output channel parameter = Parameter that is output on analog channel. The only parameter available is CO₂ (in ppm). lowlimit = Lower limit of channel scaling in ppm. Minimum value is -1000000 ppm (= -100 %). highlimit = High limit of channel scaling in ppm. Maximum value is 1000000 ppm (= 100 %).
Example (for channel 1, show the currently set analog output parameter and scaling): <pre>pass 1300 asel 1 Aout 1 quantity : CO2(0 ... 200000 ppm)</pre>	
Example (for channel 1, set scaling to 0–10 % (= 100 000 ppm)): <pre>pass 1300 asel 1 co2 0 100000 Aout 1 quantity : CO2(0 ... 100000 ppm)</pre>	

10.12 Calibration and adjustment commands



CAUTION! Before using the calibration and adjustment commands, read through [Calibration and adjustment](#) (page 96). Make sure that the environmental compensation settings of the probe are properly set for your calibration environment; see [Environmental compensation](#) (page 19).

Table 35 `adate` command

Syntax	Description
adate<cr>	Show CO ₂ factory adjustment date.
Example: <pre>adate Adjustment date : 20150420</pre>	

Table 36 atext command

Syntax	Description
atext<cr>	Show CO ₂ factory adjustment information.
Example:	
<pre>atext Adjusted at Vaisala/Helsinki</pre>	

Table 37 cdate command

Syntax	Description
cdate<cr>	Show calibration date.
cdate [yyyymmdd]<cr>	Set a new calibration date. yyyymmdd = Year (yyyy), month (mm) and day (dd) of calibration
Example:	
<pre>pass 1300 cdate Calibration date : 20150220</pre>	
Example (set a new calibration date to June 30, 2015):	
<pre>cdate 20150630 Calibration date : 20150630</pre>	

Table 38 ctext command

Syntax	Description
ctext<cr>	Show calibration information text.
ctext [text]<cr>	Set a new calibration information text to be shown after the automatic text "Calibrated at".
Example:	
<pre>pass 1300 ctext Calibrated at 5.0% in lab</pre>	

Syntax	Description
Example (set a new information text):	
<pre>ctext 0% 5% by NN Calibrated at 0% 5% by NN</pre>	

Table 39 cco2 command

Syntax	Description
cco2<cr>	Show current user adjustment status.
cco2 -lo [co2]<cr> cco2 -hi [co2]<cr>	Perform a 1-point (only either low or high concentration) or 2-point (both low and high concentrations) calibration and adjustment. -lo = Adjustment at low concentration (under 2 %CO2) -hi = Adjustment at high concentration (over 2 %CO2) co2 = CO2 concentration reference in ppm
cco2 -save<cr>	Save the currently entered adjustments. Successfully saving the adjustment clears the calibration date (cdate command) and calibration text (ctext command) that have been stored in the probe. Use those commands to enter a new calibration date and text.
cco2 -cancel<cr>	Cancel currently entered adjustments.
cco2 -reset<cr>	Clear user adjustments.
Example (show current user adjustment status; no adjustment done):	
<pre>pass 1300 cco2 1.Ref. point low 0 1.Meas. point low 0 2.Ref. point high 200000 2.Meas. point high 200000 Gain : 1.0000 Offset : 0.0000</pre>	

Syntax	Description
Example (perform a 1-point calibration): 1. Let the probe stabilize in the desired CO₂ concentration (here: 5 %CO₂ (=50000 ppm)). 2. Enter the calibration commands:	
<pre>pass 1300 cco2 -hi 50000 OK cco2 -save OK</pre>	
3. Enter a new calibration date and information text:	
<pre>cdate 20150630 Calibration date : 20150630 ctext 5% in lab Calibrated at 5% in lab</pre>	
Example (perform 2-point calibration): 1. Let the probe stabilize in the desired low CO₂ concentration (here: 0 %CO₂). 2. Enter the calibration commands:	
<pre>pass 1300 cco2 -lo 0 OK cco2 -save OK</pre>	
3. Let the probe stabilize in the desired high CO₂ concentration (here: 5 %CO₂ (=50000 ppm)). 4. Enter the calibration commands:	
<pre>pass 1300 cco2 -hi 50000 OK cco2 -save OK</pre>	
5. Enter a new calibration date and information text:	
<pre>pass 1300 cdate 20150430 Calibration date : 20150430 ctext 0% 5% by NN Calibrated at 0% 5% by NN</pre>	

10.13 Environmental compensation commands



To apply an accurate relative humidity compensation, the temperature and pressure compensation configurations must also match your measurement environment. See the **rhcmode**, **tcmode** and **pcmode** commands for instructions on enabling compensation configuration, and **env** command for instructions on setting a compensation value.



For probes with firmware version earlier than 1.4.3, temperature compensation mode **internal** is called **measured**.



For more information on environmental compensation and the default (neutral) compensation values used for disabled compensations, see [Environmental compensation \(page 19\)](#).

Table 40 env command

Syntax	Description
env<cr>	Show current compensation values. Before using this command, you must enable environmental compensation using the following commands: • o2cmode [on] • pcmode [on] • rhcmode [on] • tcmode [on internal]

Syntax	Description
<code>env [temp pres oxy hum] [value]<cr></code>	Set new permanent compensation values and store them in EEPROM. EEPROM: • Non-volatile memory, values retained during power off. • Number of writes is limited to 30000 cycles by memory implementation. • Must only be used for writing permanent values, to avoid wearing out the EEPROM. temp = Compensation temperature. Range -40 ... +60 °C (-40 ... +140 °F). pres = Compensation pressure. Range 500–1100 hPa. oxy = Oxygen content of background gas. Range 0–100 %. hum = Relative humidity of background gas. Range 0–100 %.
<code>env [xtemp xpres xoxy xhum] [value]<cr></code>	Set new compensation values and store them in RAM. RAM: • Volatile memory that loses the values when probe is reset, and where values are loaded from non-volatile (EEPROM) memory at power-on. • Must be used for continuously updated values. xtemp = Compensation temperature stored in RAM. Range -40 ... +60 °C (-40 ... +140 °F). xpres = Compensation pressure stored in RAM. Range 500–1100 hPa. xoxy = Oxygen content of background gas stored in RAM. Range 0–100 %. xhum = Relative humidity of background gas stored in RAM. Range 0–100 %.  Note: If temperature compensation is configured to use an internally measured value (tcmode is set to internal), it will continuously update the value in RAM, overriding any temperature value that is written to RAM with the ENV command.

Syntax	Description
Example (Show current compensation values; all compensations are enabled. Note that temperature compensation is in internally measured mode, so the value in use is constantly changing): <pre> env In eeprom: Temperature (C) : 25.00 Pressure (hPa) : 1013.00 Oxygen (%O2) : 21.00 Humidity (%RH) : 50.00 In use: Temperature (C) : 36.40 Pressure (hPa) : 1013.00 Oxygen (%O2) : 19.70 Humidity (%RH) : 93.00 </pre>	
Example (set temperature compensation to setpoint mode, and change temperature setpoint value to 37.2 in RAM): <pre> pass 1300 tcmode on T COMP MODE : ON env xtemp 37.2 In eeprom: Temperature (C) : 25.00 Pressure (hPa) : 1013.00 Oxygen (%O2) : 21.00 Humidity (%RH) : 50.000 In use: Temperature (C) : 37.2 Pressure (hPa) : 1013.00 Oxygen (%O2) : 19.70 Humidity (%RH) : 93.00 </pre>	

Table 41 o2cmode command

Syntax	Description
o2cmode<cr>	Check current oxygen compensation mode. Possible modes: • on = Compensation enabled using setpoint value. • off = Compensation disabled, default (neutral) value used: see Environmental compensation (page 19)
o2cmode [on off]<cr>	Change oxygen compensation mode (on or off).

Syntax	Description
Example (check oxygen compensation mode; oxygen compensation is disabled, a neutral value is used):	
<pre>pass 1300 o2cmode 02 COMP MODE : OFF</pre>	
Example (enable oxygen compensation):	
<pre>pass 1300 o2cmode on 02 COMP MODE : ON</pre>	

Table 42 `pcmode` command

Syntax	Description
<code>pcmode<cr></code>	Check current pressure compensation mode. Possible modes: • on = Compensation enabled using setpoint value. • off = Compensation disabled, default (neutral) value used: see Environmental compensation (page 19).
<code>pcmode [on off]<cr></code>	Change pressure compensation mode (on or off).
Example (check pressure compensation mode; pressure compensation is enabled using a setpoint value):	
<pre>pass 1300 pcmode P COMP MODE : ON</pre>	

Table 43 rhcmode command

Syntax	Description
rhcmode<cr>	Check current relative humidity compensation mode. Possible modes: • on = Compensation enabled using setpoint value. • off = Compensation disabled, default (neutral) value used: see Environmental compensation (page 19).  To apply an accurate relative humidity compensation, make sure that the temperature compensation and pressure compensation configurations also match the measurement environment.
rhcmode [on off]<cr>	Change relative humidity compensation mode (on or off).
Example (check relative humidity compensation mode; relative humidity compensation is disabled, a neutral value is used): <pre>pass 1300 rhcmode RH COMP MODE : OFF</pre>	
Example (enable temperature, pressure and relative humidity compensation using setpoint values): <pre>pass 1300 tcmode on T COMP MODE : ON pcmode on P COMP MODE : ON rhcmode on RH COMP MODE : ON</pre>	

Table 44 `tcmode` command

Syntax	Description
tcmode<cr>	Check current temperature compensation mode. Possible modes: • on = Compensation enabled using setpoint value. • off = Compensation disabled, default (neutral) value used: see Environmental compensation (page 19). • internal = Compensation enabled using internal measurement.
tcmode [on off internal]<cr>	Change temperature compensation mode (on , off or internal).
Example (check temperature compensation mode; temperature compensation is enabled using a setpoint value): <pre>pass 1300 tcmode T COMP MODE : ON</pre>	
Example (change temperature compensation to use internal measurement): <pre>pass 1300 tcmode internal T COMP MODE : INTERNAL</pre>	

10.14 Other commands

Table 45 `frestore` command

Syntax	Description
frestore<cr>	Restore the probe to its factory configuration. All user settings and user calibration parameters will be lost.  After using the frestore command, reset the probe using the reset command.

Syntax	Description
Example (restore the factory settings and reset the probe):	
<pre> pass 1300 frestore Parameters restored to factory defaults reset GMP251 1.0.0 </pre>	

Table 46 `pass` command

Syntax	Description
pass [code]<cr>	Access advanced serial commands. Advanced commands can be used until the next reset. code = Code for enabling advanced commands (1300).
Example:	
<pre> pass 1300 </pre>	

Table 47 `reset` command

Syntax	Description
reset<cr>	Reset the probe. The probe will restart as if it had just been powered on.
Example:	
<pre> reset GMP251 1.0.0 </pre>	

11. Calibration and adjustment

Calibrate and adjust the CO₂ measurement of the GMP251 probe as needed. Before starting, read through this section completely so that you are aware of your options, and the main factors that affect the result.



Performing an accurate calibration and adjustment takes some time and preparation. Instead of doing it yourself, you can also have a Vaisala Service Center calibrate and adjust your probe.



Calibration means comparing the measurement output of the device to a known reference, such as a known environment in a calibration chamber or the output of a reference instrument. Correcting the reading of the device so that it measures accurately is referred to as **adjustment**.

11.1 Calibration setup

Using calibrated probe as reference

You can perform a 1- or 2-point calibration using the Indigo80 indicator and a calibrated reference instrument to compare against, for example a calibrated GMP251 probe connected to Indigo80.

With the probe being calibrated and the reference instrument in the same space, allow the measurements to stabilize before comparing the readings. Try to provide as stable an environment as you can during this time. Avoid working around the probe and reference instrument during this time.

Using calibration gas as reference

There are two easy ways to use a calibration gas as a reference:

- You can supply the gas to the probe using the calibration adapter accessory (Vaisala item code DRW244827SP). Gas flow should be in the range 0.5 – 1.1 l/min, recommendation is 1 l/min. Allow the measurement to stabilize for 3 minutes before starting the calibration.
- You can fill the entire incubator with the calibration gas. You can use calibration gas as a reference by putting the probe in a suitable chamber (for example, an incubator) and filling that chamber with the calibration gas.

To perform a 2-point adjustment, you need 2 calibration gases: one gas that is below 2 %CO₂ (low-end reference) and one that is above 2 %CO₂ (high-end reference).

When supplying the gas from a gas bottle, make sure the gas bottle has stabilized to room temperature before starting.

11.2 Effect of environmental compensations

The probe has various environmental compensations that improve its CO₂ measurement accuracy (see [Environmental compensation \(page 19\)](#)). As the calibration and adjustment environment may differ from the actual measurement environment, you must make sure that the compensation settings are properly set. Here are some key points to remember:

- Pressure and temperature compensations have a significant effect on accuracy. If you are using setpoint values instead of the values from the built-in temperature sensor or an integrated system, make sure to correct the setpoints so that they correspond to your calibration situation. Consider switching temperature compensation to use the internal sensor and/or integrated system when calibrating, and then switching back when calibration and adjustment is done.
- The effect of background gas compensations for humidity and oxygen may be significant when using calibration gases, since these gases are often dry and oxygen-free. For example, pure nitrogen gas is typically used as a convenient 0 ppm CO₂ reference. As it does not contain any oxygen or humidity, the compensations for them must be set to zero.
- Remember to restore the normal compensation settings after completing calibration and adjustment. If you are integrating the calibration functionality of the probe as part of a control software, also implement proper handling of the environmental compensations.

11.3 Limits of adjustment

The probe limits the amount of adjustment that is allowed to the CO₂ measurement. The maximum correction that you can apply is 1000 ppm + 25 % of the probe's uncorrected reading. Previous user adjustments do not affect this limit (the correction is not cumulative). This feature limits the possible error introduced by incorrect adjustment.

For example, if you are adjusting using a 5 %CO₂ calibration gas (50000 ppm), the maximum correction you can apply is approximately 13500 ppm. Attempting to apply a greater adjustment will fail. Notification of failure from the probe depends on the interface you are using for adjustment.

11.4 Adjustment types

You can adjust the CO₂ measurement of the probe in 1 or 2 points.

- 1-point adjustment is recommended if you are interested in maintaining a fixed CO₂ level. For best result, use a calibration gas with a CO₂ concentration that is close to the intended level.
- 2-point adjustment is recommended if you typically measure a variable CO₂ level.

Available adjustment functions depend on the interface you use to operate the probe. If you want to compare the reading of the probe to a reference instrument and adjust it accordingly, use the Indigo80 handheld indicator and a reference probe. If you want to integrate the functionality into a control system, the Modbus interface and the Vaisala industrial protocol are recommended.

Vaisala Insight PC software

You can carry out 1-point and 2-point adjustments and change the environmental compensation settings with the Insight software.

Vaisala Indigo transmitters and Indigo80 handheld indicator

You can use an Indigo transmitter's configuration interface in the Insight PC software or connect the probe to the Indigo80 handheld indicator to carry out 1-point and 2-point adjustments and change the environmental compensation settings.

MI70 handheld indicator

The MI70 handheld indicator supports 1-point adjustment, either using a calibration gas or using a reference instrument that is connected to the MI70.

Vaisala Industrial Protocol

Vaisala industrial protocol supports 1-point and 2-point adjustment with the **cco2** command. Configuration of the environmental compensation settings can be done using serial line commands.

More information

- [Calibration and adjustment commands \(page 85\)](#)
- [Overview of calibration with Indigo200 using Insight \(page 100\)](#)
- [Performing manual adjustment with Indigo80 handheld indicator using previously measured values \(page 105\)](#)
- [Calibration and adjustment with MI70 indicator \(page 107\)](#)

11.4.1 Adjusting CO₂ using previously measured values

If you have a list of previously collected calibration readings (for example, from a 3rd party laboratory calibration), you can adjust the device without having to generate the calibration conditions and wait for stabilization. This adjustment method is available starting from probe firmware version 1.4.3.

Insight PC software adjustment example:

- ▶ 1. Connect the probe to Insight PC software: for instructions, see [Connecting to Insight software \(page 32\)](#).
2. Before starting the adjustment, make sure that your environmental compensation settings (for example, the relative humidity and oxygen concentration values given as the current operating environment) are correct for your present environment. You can review and change the environmental settings in the **Configure device** menu.
3. To open the Insight PC software calibration menu, select  to access Insight main menu. In the main menu, select **Calibrate**.
4. Select **CO₂ adjustment**.
5. Select the **Reference value, point 1** field and enter the CO₂ level of calibration point 1. Press **Enter** or click outside the field when done.

6. Replace the automatically inserted measured value for point 1 with your previously measured value.
7. Repeat the procedure for all desired calibration points.
8. Select **Activate adjustment** and verify the result from the message that appears at the top of the screen.

11.5 DRW244827SP calibration adapter

The optional calibration adapter accessory can be used to feed a reference gas to the probe through a gas port when calibrating. Gas flow should be in the range 0.5–1.1 l/min, recommendation is 1 l/min. Allow the measurement to stabilize for 3 minutes before starting the calibration.

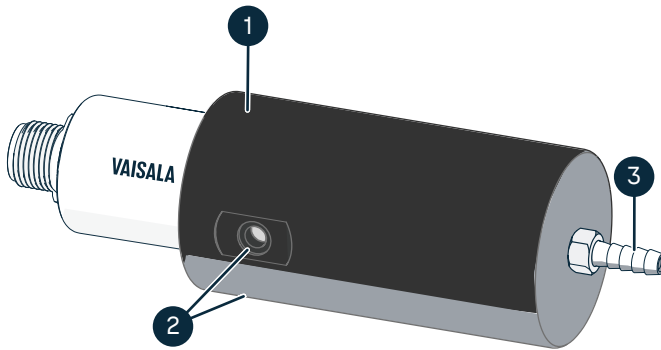


Figure 36 DRW244827SP calibration adapter with probe inserted

- 1 O-ring inside the adapter
- 2 Gas outlet on each side of the adapter
- 3 Gas port (port outer diameter 4.6 mm, port hole inner diameter 2 mm, suitable for tubing with 4 mm inner diameter)

11.6 Overview of calibration with Indigo200 using Insight

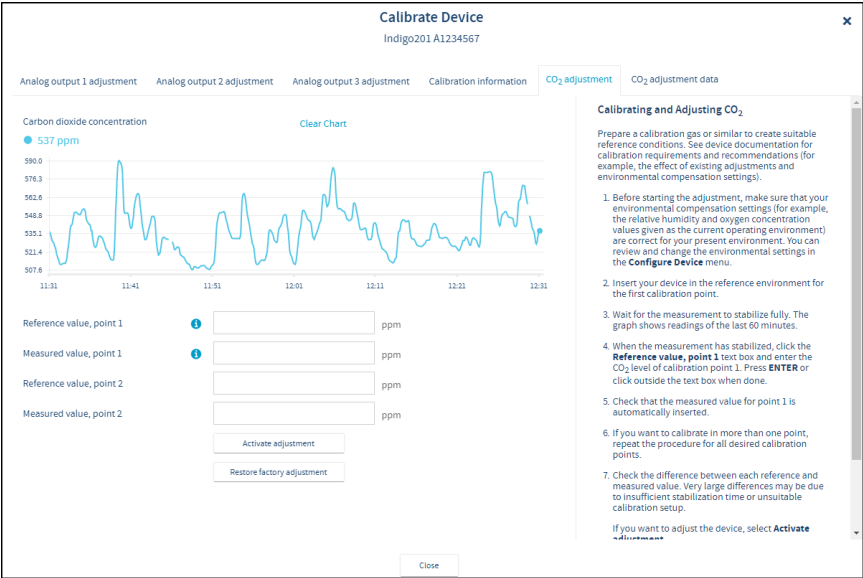


Figure 37 Insight calibration menu main view (CO₂ probe)

The calibration menu in the Insight PC software contains options for calibrating and adjusting the measurement of the probe you have connected to the transmitter, and testing and adjusting the analog output channels of the transmitter. You can also view the current adjustment and restore the probe's factory adjustments.



The range of available options (for example, environmental compensations and the number of adjustment points) varies depending on the features of the connected probe.
The menu examples presented here are examples of calibration options that are available when a CO₂ probe is connected to the transmitter.



CAUTION! Before adjusting a probe's measurement, make sure that you have familiarized yourself with the probe-specific calibration requirements such as possible adjustment limits and environmental compensation interdependencies. See the user documentation of the probe for probe-specific information.

Starting calibration

To open the calibration menu, select  to access Insight main menu. In the main menu, select **Calibrate**.

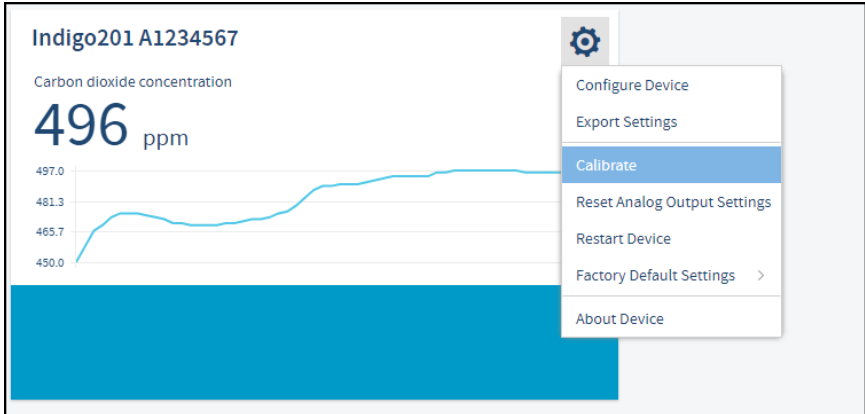
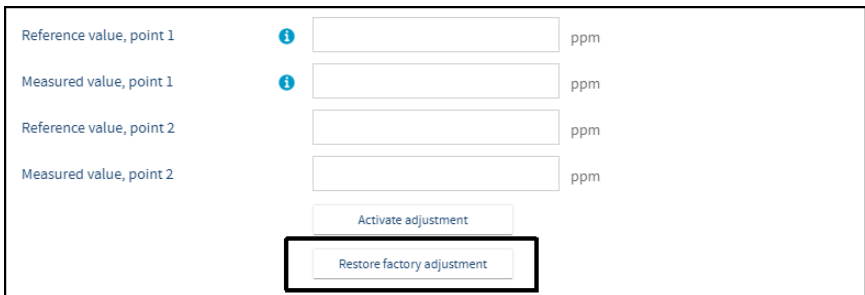


Figure 38 Insight **Calibrate** menu selection

Restoring factory adjustment

Before adjusting the probe measurement, you can remove any possible earlier adjustments with the **Restore factory adjustment** selection, if needed.



The screenshot shows the calibration screen with four input fields for reference and measured values at two points. Below the fields are two buttons: 'Activate adjustment' and 'Restore factory adjustment'. The 'Restore factory adjustment' button is highlighted with a red rectangle.

Reference value, point 1		ppm
Measured value, point 1		ppm
Reference value, point 2		ppm
Measured value, point 2		ppm

Buttons:
 Activate adjustment
 Restore factory adjustment

Figure 39 Insight **Restore factory adjustment** selection

11.6.1 Environmental compensation

When making adjustments, you can enter information about the environment in which you perform the adjustment. This allows compensating for environmental factors that have an effect on the measurement (for example, temperature, pressure, or background gases).

The selection of environmental compensations available in the Indigo transmitter configuration menu depends on the features and configuration of the connected probe. If the probe you have connected to the transmitter supports environmental compensations, the configuration options are shown in the **Configure device** menu accessible from the Insight PC software main view. For information and instructions on the environmental compensation features of the probe, see the user documentation of the probe you are using.

Configure device In advanced mode

Indigo201 A1234567

Analog output 1
Analog output 2
Analog output 3
Relay output A
Relay output B
Compensation power-up defaults
Compensation setpoints
Measurement

Pressure compensation on/off ☒
Temperature compensation mode Internal
Humidity compensation on/off ☒
Oxygen compensation on/off ☒
Filtering factor 100

Save Cancel

Figure 40 Insight environmental compensation configuration example with CO₂ probe

11.6.2 CO₂ probe adjustment example

Prepare a calibration gas or similar to create suitable reference conditions. See device documentation for calibration requirements and recommendations (for example, the effect of existing adjustments and environmental compensation settings).

To adjust the CO₂ measurement of the probe that is connected to the transmitter:

- ▶ 1. Before starting the adjustment, make sure that your environmental compensation settings (for example, the relative humidity and oxygen concentration values given as the current operating environment) are correct for your present environment. You can review and change the environmental settings in the **Configure device** menu.
2. To open the Insight PC software calibration menu, select  to access Insight main menu. In the main menu, select **Calibrate**.
3. Select **CO₂ adjustment**.
4. Insert the probe in the reference environment for the first calibration point.
5. Wait for the measurement to stabilize fully. The graph shows readings of the last 60 minutes.

6. When the measurement has stabilized, click the **Reference value, point 1** text box and enter the CO₂ level of calibration point 1. Press **Enter** or click outside the text box when done.
7. Check that the measured value for point 1 is automatically inserted.
8. If you want to calibrate in more than one point, repeat the procedure for all desired calibration points.
9. Check the difference between each reference and measured value. Very large differences may be due to insufficient stabilization time or unsuitable calibration setup.

If you want to adjust the device, select **Activate adjustment**.

To exit without taking the adjustment in use, select **Close**.

10. After calibrating your device, update the information in the **Calibration information** tab.

11.7 Calibration and adjustment with Indigo80 handheld indicator

The Indigo80 handheld indicator provides two ways to calibrate and adjust measurements for probes: **Guided calibration** and **Manual adjustment**.

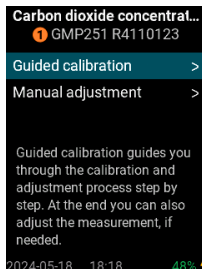


Figure 41 Calibration methods available with Indigo80

- Choose **Guided calibration** when you have a reference environment or a calibrated reference instrument and want the indicator to guide you through the calibration process step by step. At the end you can also adjust the measurement, if needed.
- Choose **Manual adjustment** if you already have previously collected calibration readings (for example, from a calibration certificate) for 1 or 2 calibration points and want to adjust the probe to correct the observed errors. No separate reference instrument or reference environment is needed during the manual adjustment procedure. For all other use cases, **Guided calibration** is recommended.

11.7.1 Performing guided calibration with Indigo80 handheld indicator



- Probe connection cable (M12-M12, Vaisala item code 272075SP)
- Calibration reference (for example, a reference gas with a known concentration, or a recently calibrated Indigo80-compatible probe)

In guided calibration, the indicator guides you through the calibration process step by step. At the end, you can also adjust the measurement, if needed.

You can choose to perform either 1-point or 2-point calibration, and choose to use the reference gas or instrument of your choice, for example, another probe connected to your indicator.

Before starting the adjustment:

- Familiarize yourself with information on adjustment points and requirements for your probe.
- Make sure that the probe's environmental compensation settings (for example, the pressure value given as the current operating pressure) are correct for your present environment.
- **Always restore factory adjustment before entering a new adjustment.** This prevents any possible earlier adjustments having an effect on the new adjustment you make.

1. Connect the probe(s) to the indicator.
2. Open the indicator main menu by pressing ⊖.
3. Select **Devices**. If you have more than one device connected to the indicator, make a further selection between the devices.
4. Select **Calibrate / Adjust**.
5. Acknowledge the notification by pressing **OK**.
6. Select **CO₂ adjustment**.
7. Select **Guided calibration**.
8. In **Calibration points**, select the number of calibration points: **1 point** or **2 points**.
9. If you are using a reference instrument connected to Indigo80, the name of the connected device is displayed under **Reference**.

Alternatively, to use any reference environment(s) of your choice (for example, a reference gas or gases), select **Reference > Other reference**.
10. Select **Start calibration**.

The indicator guides you through the calibration process from this point onwards. Press  to proceed from one view to another.

More information

- [Configuring environment settings with Indigo80 handheld indicator \(page 50\)](#)
- [Effect of environmental compensations \(page 97\)](#)
- [Restoring factory adjustment with Indigo80 handheld indicator \(page 106\)](#)

11.7.2 Performing manual adjustment with Indigo80 handheld indicator using previously measured values



- Probe connection cable (M12-M12, Vaisala item code 272075SP)
- Previously collected calibration readings, for example, a calibration certificate

This procedure tells you how to use the Indigo80 handheld indicator to adjust the probe's measurement in 1–2 points when you have a list of previously collected calibration readings available (for example, in a calibration certificate from a third party laboratory calibration). You can adjust the probe without having to generate the calibration conditions and wait for stabilization.



If you adjust the probe using previously measured values, the device readings will be corrected and **your previous calibration certificate will not be valid anymore**. If an up-to-date calibration certificate is still needed, you must perform the calibration again to detect any remaining measurement error after the adjustment.

- ▶ 1. Connect the probe(s) to the indicator.
2. Open the indicator main menu by pressing .
3. Select **Devices**. If you have more than one device connected to the indicator, make a further selection between the devices.
4. Select **Calibrate / Adjust**.
5. Acknowledge the notification by pressing **OK**.
6. Select **CO₂ adjustment**.

7. If you have **two probes** connected to the indicator:
 - a. Select **Manual adjustment**.
 - b. Scroll down and acknowledge the notification by pressing **OK**.
 - c. The options **Read from device** and **Enter manually** will be visible at this point. Select **Enter manually**.

Should you need to read the reference value from another device connected to Indigo80, Vaisala recommends accessing this functionality from the **Guided calibration** menu of Indigo80. See [Performing guided calibration with Indigo80 handheld indicator \(page 104\)](#).

8. If you have **one probe** connected to the indicator:
 - a. Select **Manual adjustment**.
 - b. Scroll down and acknowledge the notification by pressing **OK**.
9. Select **Reference value, point 1**.
10. Select **ppm** or **%** as the unit.
11. Use the arrow buttons to set the reference value (for example, the reference gas value from your calibration certificate), and then select **OK** or **Set**.
12. Scroll down and select the **Measured value, point 1** field. Select the unit and replace the automatically inserted value with your previously measured calibration reading (for example, the observed CO₂ value from your calibration certificate).
13. Scroll down and repeat for **Reference value, point 2** and **Measured value, point 2** (if performing a 2-point adjustment).
14. To store the adjustments to the probe, scroll down and select **Activate adjustment > OK**. Confirm by selecting **OK**.
 To exit without taking the adjustment in use, press  to end calibration.
15. In the **Calibrate / Adjust** menu of your probe, select **Calibration information** and update any relevant data.
16. Press  to end calibration.

More information

- [Configuring environment settings with Indigo80 handheld indicator \(page 50\)](#)
- [Effect of environmental compensations \(page 97\)](#)
- [Restoring factory adjustment with Indigo80 handheld indicator \(page 106\)](#)

11.7.3 Restoring factory adjustment with Indigo80 handheld indicator



- Probe connection cable (M12-M12, Vaisala item code 272075SP)

If needed, you can restore the factory adjustment for your probe's output parameters using the Indigo80 handheld indicator.



Always restore factory adjustment before entering a new adjustment. This prevents any possible earlier adjustments having an effect on the new adjustment you make.

- ▶ 1. Connect the probe(s) to the indicator.
- 2. Open the indicator main menu by pressing
- 3. Select **Devices**. If you have more than one device connected to the indicator, make a further selection between the devices.
- 4. Select **Calibrate / Adjust**.
- 5. Acknowledge the notification by pressing **OK**.
- 6. Select the type of adjustment to restore.
For example, select **CO₂ adjustment**.
- 7. If you have **two probes** connected to the indicator:
 - a. Select **Manual adjustment**.
 - b. Scroll down and acknowledge the notification by pressing **OK**.
 - c. The options **Read from device** and **Enter manually** will be visible at this point. Select **Enter manually**.
- 8. If you have **one probe** connected to the indicator:
 - a. Select **Manual adjustment**.
 - b. Scroll down and acknowledge the notification by pressing **OK**.
- 9. Scroll down and select **Restore factory adjustment > OK**.
- 10. Confirm by selecting **OK**.
- 11. Press

11.8 Calibration and adjustment with MI70 indicator



Before using the MI70 indicator for calibration and adjustment, read the instructions in [Calibration and adjustment \(page 96\)](#). Make sure that the environmental compensation settings of the probe are properly set for your calibration environment; see [Changing environmental compensation settings with MI70 indicator \(page 63\)](#).



When two probes are connected to the MI70 indicator, MI70 uses Roman numerals “I” and “II” to indicate which port the parameter or function in question is connected to.

11.8.1 1-point adjustment with an MI70-compatible reference probe

- ▶ 1. Connect the GMP251 probe to Port I of the MI70 indicator.
2. Connect the calibrated reference probe to Port II. Make sure the reference probe is in the same environment as the GMP251's sensor.
3. If you are using the calibration adapter to feed a calibration gas to the GMP251, you must feed the same gas to the reference probe also. Refer to the documentation of your reference probe on how to do this, and what accessories you need.
4. Turn on the MI70 indicator.
5. Start the adjustment sequence from **Main menu > Functions > Adjustments**.

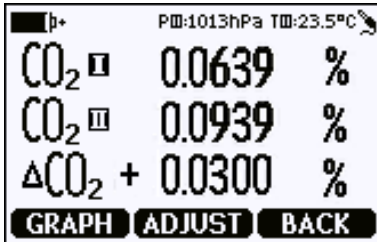


6. MI70 notifies you that automatic power off is disabled during adjustment mode, press **OK** to acknowledge.
7. To proceed with the adjustment, select the **CO2(I)** parameter in the **Select Quantity** screen.

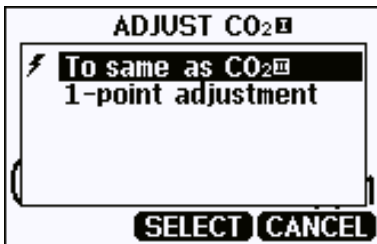
In the **Select Quantity** screen you can also view the currently used compensation values, and the **Last adjustment date** information. You can update the date and text using the **CDATE** and **CTEXT** commands on the serial line.

8. You may be prompted to check the environmental settings of the reference probe before proceeding. Press **Yes** to check the settings and **Exit** when you have checked and corrected the settings.

9. The adjustment mode is now active, and you can see the measured CO₂ readings and their difference on the screen. Allow the measurement to stabilize. To proceed with the adjustment, press **Adjust**.



10. Select **To same as CO2(II)**.



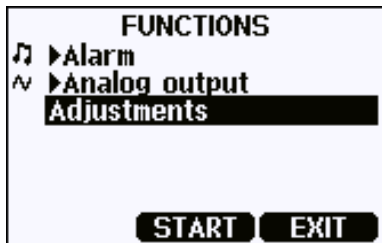
11. You will be prompted to confirm you want to adjust: select **Yes**.
12. If the adjustment is successful, MI70 will show the text **Adjustment Done**, after which you will return to the adjustment mode. At this point you can press **Back** and **Exit** to leave the adjustment mode. The adjustment is now completed.

If the adjustment cannot be applied, MI70 will show the text **Cannot adjust**, possibly followed by a text stating the reason. A possible reason for an adjustment failure is attempting to apply a very large correction to the reading.

11.8.2 1-point adjustment with a reference gas

- ▶ 1. Connect the GMP251 to Port I of the MI70 indicator.
- 2. Feed a calibration gas to the GMP251 using the calibration adapter accessory (Vaisala item code: DRW244827SP). If you are using ambient air as the calibration gas, you must have a reference meter in the same environment to verify the CO₂ concentration.
- 3. Turn on the MI70 indicator.

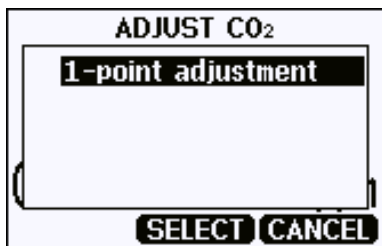
4. Start the adjustment sequence from **Main menu > Functions > Adjustments**.



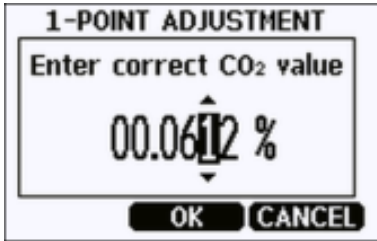
5. MI70 notifies you that automatic power off is disabled during adjustment mode, press **OK** to acknowledge.
6. Select the CO₂ parameter when prompted.
7. You may be prompted to check the environmental settings of the reference probe before proceeding. Press **Yes** to check the settings and **Exit** when you have checked and corrected the settings.
8. The adjustment mode is now active, and you can see the measured CO₂ reading on the screen. To proceed with the adjustment, press **Adjust**.



9. Select **1-point adjustment**.



10. You will be prompted if you really want to adjust. Select **Yes**.
11. You are now in the 1-point adjustment screen. Allow the measurement to stabilize and press **Ready**.
12. Enter the CO₂ concentration of the reference gas and press **OK**.



13. You will be prompted if you really want to adjust. Select **Yes**.
14. If the adjustment is successful, MI70 will show the text **Adjustment Done**, after which you will return to the adjustment mode. At this point you can press **Back** and **Exit** to leave the adjustment mode. The adjustment is now completed.

If the adjustment cannot be applied, MI70 will show the text **Cannot adjust**, possibly followed by a text stating the reason. A possible reason for an adjustment failure is attempting to apply a very large correction to the reading.

12. Environmental compensation

When necessary, various environmental compensations can be applied to improve the CO₂ measurement accuracy of the probe.

The probe can compensate for the effects of the following parameters:

- Temperature
- Pressure
- Background gas oxygen (O₂) content
- Background gas relative humidity (%RH)



To apply an accurate relative humidity compensation, make sure that also the temperature compensation and pressure compensation configurations match the measurement environment.

The probe has an on-board temperature sensor that can be used to compensate for temperature. Additionally, if the probe is integrated in a system that measures one or more of the compensation parameters (T, P, RH, O₂), they can be updated to the probe continuously.

Compensation parameters are configured on the order form when ordering the probe, and can later be updated using Vaisala Industrial Protocol or Modbus protocol.

You can also turn off any of the compensations. In that case, the probe uses the default compensation value that is mathematically neutral for the probe's internal compensation model.

You can configure the environmental compensation settings with any of the following options:

- Vaisala Industrial Protocol serial commands
- Vaisala Insight software
- Modbus configuration registers
- MI70 handheld indicator
- Indigo80 handheld indicator



The environmental compensation configuration options available in the MI70 handheld indicator are not compatible with the probe. Using MI70 to configure the environmental compensation settings of the probe can decrease measurement accuracy.

12.1 Environmental compensation configuration overview (Insight PC software)

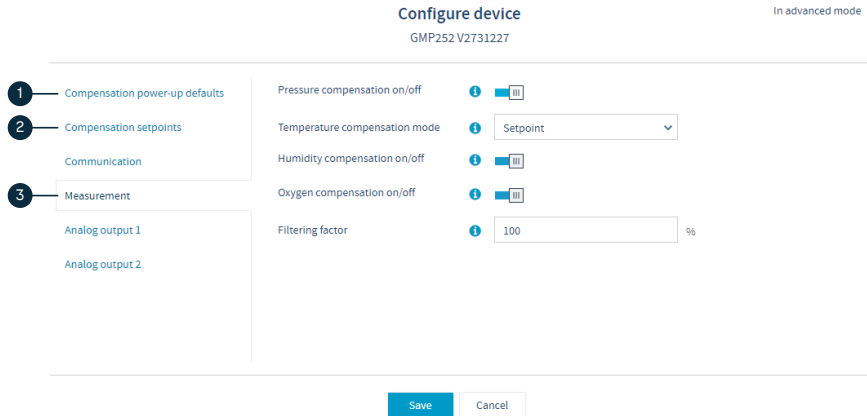


Figure 42 Measurement menu view in Insight PC software

- 1 **Compensation power-up defaults:** setpoint compensation values that are taken into use when the probe resets.
- 2 **Compensation setpoints:** temporary setpoint compensation values that are in use until the probe is reset, or until the compensation is switched off.
- 3 **Measurement:** options for switching compensations on and off and selecting the temperature compensation mode (**Off/Setpoint/Internal**)

You can set environmental compensation values for the following parameters:

- Temperature
- Pressure
- Background gas oxygen (O₂) content
- Background gas relative humidity (%RH)

Each of these environmental parameters can be entered as a setpoint value. For temperature compensation, you can also select to use the probe's internal temperature measurement that updates constantly.

You can set a power-up default setpoint value for each compensation parameter, and a temporary compensation setpoint value that resets to the power-up default value when the probe is restarted. Compensations can also be switched off in the **Measurement** view.



Note that when you enter a setpoint value for a compensation parameter and save the configuration, the compensation value is automatically taken into use and the **On/Off** status of the compensation parameter is automatically switched to **On**, also if it was set to **Off** previously.

13. Maintenance

13.1 Cleaning GMP251 and GMP80P

You can clean the probe body by wiping it with a moist cloth. Standard cleaning agents can be used.

When cleaning, follow these precautions:

- Do not immerse the probe in liquid to clean it.
- GMP251 only:
 - Be careful not to block the filter when cleaning the probe. The optional sintered PTFE filter is especially sensitive to blockage.
 - When changing the filter, you can use clean instrument air to gently blow any loose dirt and filter material from the sensor. Do not attempt to clean the optical surfaces in any other manner.

13.1.1 Chemical tolerance



Detach the GMP251 probe from GMP80P before cleaning GMP251 with hydrogen peroxide, acetone, or acetic acid.

The following chemicals can be used to clean the GMP251 probe:

- H₂O₂ (2000 ppm), non-condensing
- Alcohol-based cleaning agents such as ethanol and IPA (70 % isopropyl alcohol, 30 % water)
- Acetone
- Acetic acid

The following chemicals can be used to clean the GMP80P body:

- Alcohol-based cleaning agents such as ethanol and IPA (70 % isopropyl alcohol, 30 % water).



Avoid exposing the probe to chemicals for unnecessarily long periods of time. Do not immerse the probe in a chemical or spray anything directly on the probe. Wipe chemicals off the probe after cleaning.

13.2 Detaching GMP251 from GMP80P

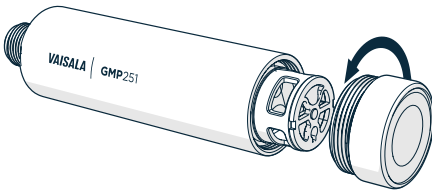
- ▶ 1. Stop the measurement by switching off Indigo80 or by disconnecting GMP80P from Indigo80.

2. Loosen the locking ring of the cable connector on the bottom of GMP251 and disconnect the cable from the probe.
3. Grip the GMP80P body with both hands and push the GMP251 probe out using your thumbs.



Avoid pulling the GMP251 probe out by the cable connector. Pulling and/or twisting the connector may break it.

13.3 Changing the GMP251 filter



Change the filter to a new one if it shows visible signs of contamination or dirt. When changing the filter, use clean gloves to avoid blocking the pores of the new filter.

Figure 43 Opening the filter



CAUTION! When changing the filter, you can use clean instrument air to gently blow any loose dirt and filter material from the sensor. Do not attempt to clean the optical surfaces in any other manner.

14. Troubleshooting

14.1 Problem situations with GMP251

Problem	Possible cause	Remedy
Analog output reading is unchanging and appears incorrect.	Analog output is in error state.	Remove the cause of the error state and the analog output will recover its normal function.
Probe outputs stars "*****" on serial line instead of measurement data.	Incorrect supply voltage.	Check the power supply. Check the active errors using the ERRS command on the serial line.
	Unsuitable operating environment.	Verify that the operating environment is within specified operating limits.
Unable to access probe on the RS-485 line.	Incorrect wiring.	Check that the RS-485 connection is wired correctly.
	Probe in POLL mode with unknown address.	Power cycle or reset the probe and try again.
CO ₂ measurement not working.	Condensation on the sensor.	Remove the filter and check if condensation has formed on the sensor. If yes, dry out the condensation with instrument air and insert a new dry filter. Keep the probe powered and operating to prevent re-occurrence.

More information

- [Wiring \(page 29\)](#)
- [Analog output error state \(page 119\)](#)

14.2 Error messages

The error messages are categorized according to the severity of the status:

- **Critical errors** are fatal to the operation of the unit. It may not be able to respond to communication at all, and will not measure correctly.
- **Errors** prevent CO₂ measurement and cause the analog outputs to be set to the error state. Depending on the problem, errors may resolve themselves. For example, sensor heating will eventually dry out condensation on the optical surfaces.
- **Warnings** do not prevent normal operation but may indicate possible problems.

- **Status** indicates a known state of the unit.

In case of constant error, contact Vaisala.

Error message and code	Description	Recommended action
Critical errors		
Program memory crc critical error [1]	Program memory is corrupted.	Fatal error, contact Vaisala technical support.
Parameter memory crc critical error [2]	Parameter memory is corrupted.	Fatal error, contact Vaisala technical support.
Errors		
Low supply voltage error [5]		Check and correct the supply voltage.
Internal 30V error [6]	Low internal 30 V voltage.	
Low RX signal error [7]	Low input signal. Can be caused by dirt or condensation on the optical surfaces.	Wait to see if condensation is removed by heat.
Internal 8V error [8]	Low internal 8 V voltage.	
RX signal cut error [9]	Signal distortion (EMC interference)	
Out of measurement range error [13]	CO ₂ concentration is too high to measure.	Wait for CO ₂ concentration to fall into the measurable range.
Sensor heater error [14]	Sensor heater resistance is out of range.	
IR temperature error [15]	Infrared source temperature error.	
FPI slope error [16]	Signal receiver error.	Contact Vaisala technical support.
Internal 2.5V error [17]	Internal 2.5 V voltage out of range.	
Internal 1.7V error [18]	Internal 1.7 V voltage out of range.	
Low IR current error [19]	Infrared source failure.	Contact Vaisala technical support.
Warnings		
Signal too low warning [21]	Low input signal. Can be caused by dirt or condensation on the optical surfaces.	Continue normally.

Error message and code	Description	Recommended action
Cut warning [23]	EMC interference error limit approaching.	Check for EMC interference sources.
Unexpected restart detected [24]	Transmitter is reset by watchdog process.	Continue normally.
Status messages		
CO ₂ adjustment mode active [27]		Complete the CO ₂ adjustment.
Calibration about to expire [29]	This message is displayed by the calibration reminder functionality.	Calibrate the probe and update the calibration date information.
Calibration expired [30]	This warning is displayed by the calibration reminder functionality if the calibration interval has been exceeded.	

More information

- [Technical support \(page 145\)](#)

14.3 Analog output error state

The probe sets the analog output channel into a defined error level instead of the measured result in two situations:

- Probe detects a measurement malfunction. This means an actual measurement problem, such as sensor damage or unsuitable environmental conditions.
- Measured value(s) are significantly outside the scaled output range.

The default error level depends on the output type:

Output	Default error level
0–20 mA	23 mA
4–20 mA	2 mA
0–5 V	0 V
0–10 V	0 V

The probe resumes normal operation of the analog output when the cause of the error state is removed.

15. Technical data

15.1 Product specifications

15.1.1 GMP251 specifications

Table 48 GMP251 measurement performance

Property	Description/value
Measurement range	0–20 %CO ₂
Accuracy ¹⁾	
At 5 %CO ₂	±0.1 %CO ₂
At 0–8 %CO ₂	±0.2 %CO ₂
At 8–20 %CO ₂	±0.4 %CO ₂
Calibration uncertainty	
At 5 %CO ₂	±0.07 %CO ₂
At 20 %CO ₂	±0.27 %CO ₂
Long-term stability	
At 0–8 %CO ₂	±0.3 %CO ₂ /year
At 8–12 %CO ₂	±0.5 %CO ₂ /year
at 12–20 %CO ₂	±1.0 %CO ₂ /year
Temperature dependence	
With compensation at 5 %CO ₂ , 0 ... +50 °C (+32 ... +122 °F)	< ±0.05 %CO ₂
With compensation, 0–20 %CO ₂ , –40 ... +60 °C (–40 ... +140 °F)	±0.045 % of reading/°C
without temperature compensation at 5 %CO ₂ (typical)	–0.25 % of reading/°C
Pressure dependence	
With compensation at 5 %CO ₂ 700–1100 hPa	±0.05 %CO ₂
With compensation, 0–20 %CO ₂ 500–1100 hPa	±0.015 % of reading/hPa
Without compensation (typical)	+0.15 % of reading/hPa
Humidity dependence	

Property	Description/value
With compensation, 0–20 %CO ₂ , 0–100 %RH	±0.7 % of reading (at +25 °C (+77 °F))
Without compensation (typical)	+0.05 % of reading / %RH
O₂ dependence	
With compensation, 0–20 %CO ₂ , 0–90 %O ₂	±0.6 % of reading (at +25 °C (+77 °F))
Without compensation (typical)	-0.08 % of reading / %O ₂
Start-up, warm-up, and response time	
Start-up time at +25 °C (+77 °F)	< 10 s
Warm-up time for full spec.	< 4 min
Response time (T90):	
With standard filter	< 1 min
Flow-through option with > 0.1 l/min	< 1 min
With spray shield	< 2 min
Flow rate dependence (for flow-through option)	
Flow rate dependence:	
< 1 l/min flow	No effect
1–10 l/min flow	< 0.6 % of reading/ l/min

1) At 25 °C (77 °F) and 1013 hPa (incl. repeatability and non-linearity).

Table 49 GMP251 operating environment

Property	Description/value
Operating temperature of CO ₂ measurement	-40 ... +60 °C (-40 ... +140 °F) ¹⁾
Storage temperature	-40 ... +70 °C (-40 ... +158 °F)
Humidity	0–100 %RH, non-condensing
Condensation prevention	Sensor head heating, when power on
IP rating, probe body	IP65: Dust-tight. Protected from water jets from any direction.
Chemical tolerance (temporary exposure during cleaning)	• H₂O₂ (2000 ppm, non-condensing) • Alcohol-based cleaning agents (for example ethanol and IPA) • Acetone • Acetic acid
Pressure	

Property	Description/value
Compensated	500–1100 hPa
Operating	< 1.5 bar
Gas flow (for flow-through option)	
Operating range	< 10 l/min
Recommended range	0.1–0.8 l/min

- 1) Occasional heat decontamination up to +90 °C (+194 °F) with up to 9 hours of dwell time is allowed, provided that the probe is fully installed inside the heated environment and power is switched on. Accuracy specification not applicable if used in temperatures above +60 °C (+140 °F).

Table 50 GMP251 inputs and outputs

Property	Description/value
Analog outputs	0–5/10 V (scalable), min. load 10 kΩ 0/4–20 mA (scalable), max. load 500 Ω
Digital output	Over RS-485: - Modbus - Vaisala Industrial Protocol
Operating voltage	
With digital output in use	12–30 V DC
With voltage output in use	12–30 V DC
With current output in use	20–30 V DC
Power consumption	
Typical (continuous operation)	0.4 W
Maximum	0.5 W

Table 51 GMP251 mechanical specifications

Property	Description/value
Weight, probe	42 g (1.48 oz)
Connector type	M12 5-pin male
Materials	
Probe housing	PBT polymer
Filter	PTFE membrane, PBT polymer grid
Dimensions	

Property	Description/value
Probe diameter	25 mm (0.98 in)
Probe length	96 mm (3.78 in)

Table 52 GMP251 compliance

Property	Description/Value
EU directives and regulations	EMC Directive (2014/30/EU) RoHS Directive (2011/65/EU) as amended by 2015/863
Electromagnetic compatibility (EMC)	EN 61326-1, basic electromagnetic environment
EMC emissions	CISPR 32 / EN 55032, Class B
Compliance marks	CE, China RoHS, RCM

15.1.2 GMP80P specifications

Table 53 GMP80P measurement performance

Property	Description/Value
Measurement range	0–20 %CO ₂
Accuracy ¹⁾	
At 5 %CO ₂	±0.1 %CO ₂
At 0–8 %CO ₂	±0.2 %CO ₂
At 8–20 %CO ₂	±0.4 %CO ₂
Calibration uncertainty	
At 5 %CO ₂	±0.07 %CO ₂
At 20 %CO ₂	±0.27 %CO ₂
Long-term stability	
At 0–8 %CO ₂	±0.3 %CO ₂ /year
At 8–12 %CO ₂	±0.5 %CO ₂ /year
At 12–20 %CO ₂	±1.0 %CO ₂ /year
Start-up, warm-up, and response time	
Start-up time at +25 °C (+77 °F)	< 10 s
Warm-up time to full specification	< 4 min

Property	Description/Value
Response time (T90)	< 1 min
Other	
Sampling frequency	1 s

1) At 25 °C (77 °F) and 1013 hPa (incl. repeatability and non-linearity).

Table 54 GMP80P operating environment

Property	Description/Value
Operating environment	Indoor use
Operating temperature	+15 ... +40 °C (+59 ... +104 °F)
Storage temperature	-20 ... +60 °C (-4 ... +140 °F)
Operating humidity	0-95 %RH
Storage humidity	20-85 %RH
IP rating	IP4X
Flow rate of sampled/aspirated gas	0.3 l/min

Table 55 GMP80P powering

Property	Description/Value
Operating voltage	12-30 V DC
Power consumption	Typical: 0.7 W Maximum: 0.9 W
Current consumption	60 mA typical at minimum voltage

Table 56 GMP80P digital communication

Property	Description/Value
Digital output	RS-485

Table 57 GMP80P mechanical specifications

Property	Description/Value
Cable connector type	M12 5-pin A-coded male
Barbed fitting for gas outlet (optional)	For tube with ID 4 mm (approx. 5/32 in)
Dimensions (H × W × D)	

Property	Description/Value
Probe body (incl. cable connectors), without sampling pipe:	114 × 102 × 40 mm (4.49 × 4.02 × 1.57 in)
Depth with sampling pipe:	145 mm (5.71 in)
Weight	410 g (14.46 oz)
Materials	
GMP80P (excluding GMP251 probe):	
Housing	Aluminum and polyamide
Sampling pipe	Stainless steel
Barbed fitting for gas outlet	Nickel-plated brass
Connectors (on the bottom)	Nickel-plated brass
GMP251 probe:	
Housing	PBT polymer
Filter	PTFE membrane, PBT polymer grid
Connector	Nickel-plated brass

Table 58 GMP80P compliance

Property	Description/Value
EU directives and regulations	EMC Directive (2014/30/EU) RoHS Directive (2011/65/EU) as amended by 2015/863 REACH Regulation (EC 1907/2006)
Electromagnetic compatibility (EMC)	EN 61326-1, basic electromagnetic environment FCC part 15 B, Class B ICES-3 / NMB-3 (Class B)
Compliance marks	CE, China RoHS, RCM

Table 59 GMP80P manufacturer contact information

Property	Description/Value
Made in Finland by	Vaisala Oyj, Vanha Nurmijärventie 21, FI-01670, Vantaa
UK address	Vaisala Ltd, 6230 Bishops Court, Solihull Parkway, Birmingham Business Park, Birmingham B37 7YB

15.2 Spare parts and accessories



Information on spare parts, accessories, and calibration products is available online at vaisala.com and store.vaisala.com.

15.2.1 GMP251 spare parts and accessories

Table 60 GMP251 spare parts and accessories

Item	Item code
Standard membrane filter	ASM211650SP
Porous sintered PTFE filter	DRW243649SP
Probe connection cable with open wires (1.5 m), shielded	223263SP
Probe connection cable with open wires (1.5 m), shielded	254294SP
Probe connection cable with open wires (3 m), shielded	26719SP
Probe connection cable with open wires (10 m), shielded	216546SP
Probe connection cable with open wires and 90° plug (0.6 m), shielded	244669SP
Probe connection cable with open wires and 90° plug (1.5 m), shielded	255102
MI70 connection cable, M12 5-pin	CBL210472
Connection cable for Indigo80, M12-5F - M12-5M, 1.5 m	272075SP
Flat cable for GMP250 probes, M12 5-pin	CBL210493SP
Indigo USB adapter ¹⁾	USB2
Probe mounting clips (2 pcs)	243257SP
Probe mounting flange	243261SP
Probe holder assembly	ASM213582
Flow-through adapter with gas ports	ASM211697SP
Calibration adapter	DRW244827SP
Spray shield	ASM212017SP

1) Vaisala Insight software for Windows available at vaisala.com/insight

15.2.2 GMP80P spare parts and accessories

Table 61 GMP80P spare parts and accessories

Description	Item code / Value
GMP251 CO ₂ probe	Configuration code A1COC0N1 ¹⁾
Cable for probes (M12-M12), 1.5 m (4 ft 11 in)	272075SP
Sampling pipe (stainless steel), 100 mm (3.94 in)	DRW259158SP
Sampling tube (Nafion™ membrane and PUR), 2.1 m (6 ft 11 in) ²⁾	GMTUBESP
Sampling tube (Nafion membrane), 0.6 m (1 ft 12 in)	212807SP
Sampling tube (PUR), 1.5 m (4 ft 11 in)	279471SP
Adapter for sampling tube	279473SP
Barbed fitting for gas outlet	279524SP
Magnetic hanger	ASM214318SP
Indigo USB adapter	USB2

- 1) See the GMP251 Order Form at docs.vaisala.com for more information.
- 2) Consists of a 0.6-m (1 ft 12 in) Nafion tube and a 1.5-m (4 ft 11 in) polyurethane tube.

15.3 Dimensions

15.3.1 GMP251 probe dimensions

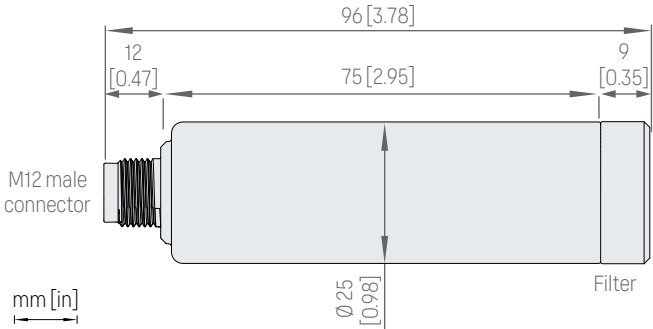


Figure 44 GMP251 dimensions

15.3.2 GMP80P dimensions

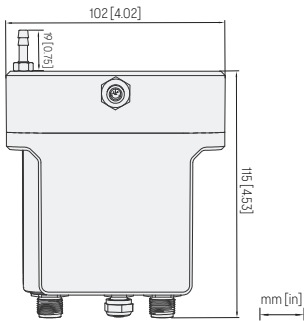
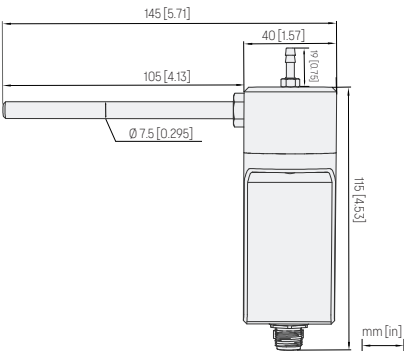


Figure 45 GMP80P dimensions, front and side



15.3.3 243261SP mounting flange dimensions

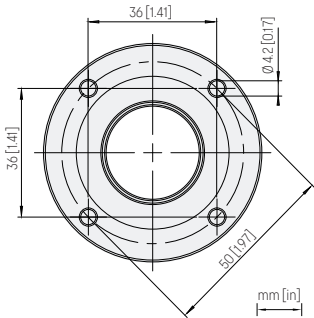


Figure 46 243261SP mounting flange dimensions

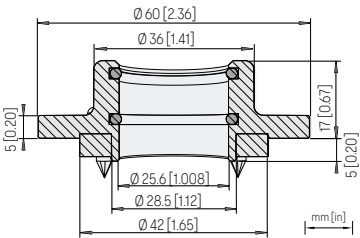


Figure 47 243261SP mounting flange dimensions, cross section

15.3.4 DRW244827SP calibration adapter dimensions

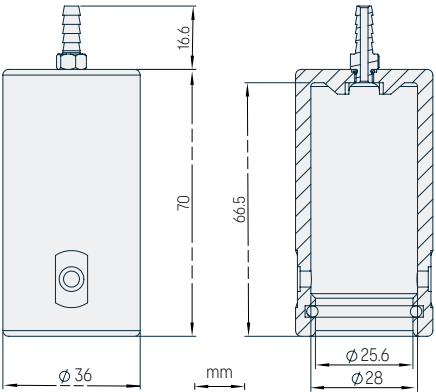


Figure 48 DRW244827SP calibration adapter dimensions

15.3.5 ASM212017SP spray shield dimensions

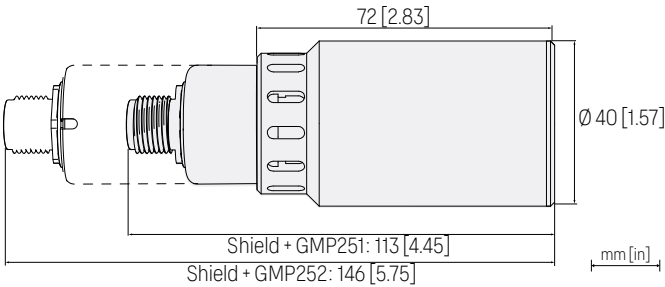


Figure 49 ASM212017SP spray shield dimensions

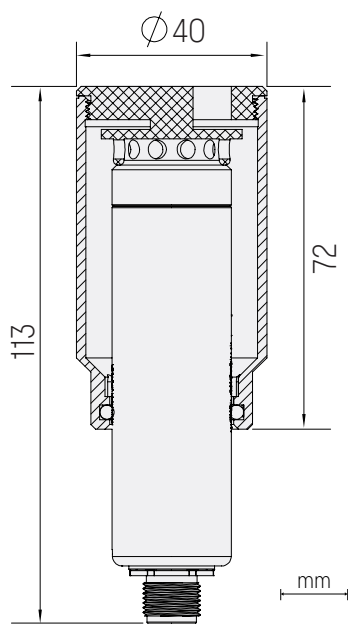


Figure 50 GMP251 spray shield cross section

Appendix A. Modbus reference

A.1 Default communication settings

Table 62 Default Modbus serial communication settings

Property	Description/Value
Serial bit rate	19200
Parity	N
Number of data bits	8
Number of stop bits	2
Modbus device address	240

A.2 Function codes

Table 63 Modbus function codes

Function code (decimal)	Function code (hexadecimal)	Name
03	0x03	Read Holding Registers
16	0x10	Write Multiple Registers
43/14	0x2B / 0x0E	Read Device Identification

A.3 Data encoding

In the data registers, the numeric values are available in one or two formats with separate register addresses: 32-bit IEEE floating point format and/or 16-bit signed integer format.

A.3.1 32-bit floating point or 32-bit integer format

Registers using **32-bit float** data format are encoded using the **binary32** encoding defined in IEEE 754. The format is also known as "single-precision floating point format".

The least significant 16 bits of a floating point number are placed at the Modbus register listed in the table, while the most significant 16 bits are placed in the register with number/address + 1, as specified in Open Modbus TCP Specification, Release 1.0. This is also known as "little-endian" or "Modicon" word order.

Despite the specification, some Modbus masters may expect a "big-endian" word order (most significant word first). In such case, you must select "word-swapped" floating point format in your Modbus master for the Modbus registers of the device.

A complete 32-bit floating point or 32-bit integer value should be read and written in a single Modbus transaction.



CAUTION! Reading the measurement data registers with incorrect floating point format setting may occasionally result in correct-looking, but nevertheless incorrect values.



It is highly recommended to verify that you have configured the floating point format correctly on your Modbus host system by reading a floating point value from a test value register.

A.3.2 16-bit integer format

Some 16-bit integer values in the data registers are scaled to include the necessary decimals. The scaling factors for those values are shown in the register tables.

Table 64 Interpretation of 16-bit signed integer values

Value (decimal)	Value (hexadecimal)	Description
0–32766	0x0000–0x7FFE	Value in range 0–32766
32767	0x7FFF	Value is 32767 or larger
32768	0x8000	Value is not available
32769	0x8001	Value is –32767 or smaller
32770–65535	0x8002–0xFFFF	Value in range –32766 ... –1 (2's complement)

A.4 Modbus registers

Registers are numbered in decimal, starting from 1. Register addresses in actual Modbus messages (Modbus Protocol Data Unit (PDU)) are in hexadecimal and start from zero. Register number 1 corresponds to address 0x0 in the actual Modbus message.



CAUTION! Reading the wrong register(s) may result in correct-looking values. Check the reference documentation of your Modbus host (PLC) to verify which notation it uses for Modbus register addresses.

A.4.1 Measurement data registers

Table 65 Modbus measurement data registers (read-only)

Register number	Address	Description	Data format	Unit
1	0x0000	Measured CO ₂ value	32-bit float	ppm
3	0x0002	Compensation T	32-bit float	°C
5	0x0004	Measured T	32-bit float	°C
257	0x0100	Measured CO ₂ value	16-bit signed integer	ppm (up to 32 000 ppm)
258	0x0101	Measured CO ₂ value	16-bit signed integer	ppm ¹⁾ (scaled, up to approx. 320 000 ppm)

- 1) The ppm output of the second Measured CO₂ value register (number 258) is scaled and must be multiplied by 10.

A.4.2 Configuration registers



CAUTION! Default power-up values (registers 513–519) are written into non-volatile EEPROM memory. The EEPROM memory implementation has a limit of 30000 writes, and is intended to be used only when saving long-term or permanent configurations. Use the volatile memory (registers 521–527, values cleared on power-up) for non-permanent configurations (for example, if the probe is used in a system that regularly updates the compensation values).

Table 66 Modbus configuration data registers (writable)

Register number	Address	Description	Data format	Unit / Valid range
513	0x0200	Power-up value for pressure compensation	32-bit float	hPa 500–1100 hPa Operating <1.5 bar (Init/default: 1013.25)
515	0x0202	Power-up value for temperature compensation	32-bit float	°C –40 ... +60 °C (Init/default: 25)
517	0x0204	Power-up value for humidity compensation	32-bit float	%RH 0–100 %RH (Init/default: 0)

Register number	Address	Description	Data format	Unit / Valid range
519	0x0206	Power-up value for oxygen compensation	32-bit float	%O ₂ 0–100 %O ₂ (Init/default: 0)
521	0x0208	Volatile (value cleared at probe reset) pressure compensation	32-bit float	500–1100 hPa (Init copied from power-up value)
523	0x020A	Volatile (value cleared at probe reset) temperature compensation	32-bit float	–40 ... +60 °C (Init copied from power-up value)
525	0x020C	Volatile (value cleared at probe reset) humidity compensation	32-bit float	0–100 %RH (Init copied from power-up value)
527	0x020E	Volatile (value cleared at probe reset) oxygen compensation	32-bit float	0–100 %O ₂ (Init copied from power-up value)
769	0x0300	Modbus address	16-bit integer	1–247 (default: 240)
770	0x0301	Serial speed	enum	4800–115200 0 = 4800 1 = 9600 2 = 19200 3 = 38400 4 = 57600 5 = 115200 (default: 2 (19200))
771	0x0302	Serial parity	enum	0 = None 1 = Even 2 = Odd (default: 0 (None))
772	0x0303	Serial stop bits	16-bit integer	1–2 (default: 2)
773	0x0304	Pressure compensation mode	enum	0 = Off 1 = On (default: 1 (On))

Register number	Address	Description	Data format	Unit / Valid range
774	0x0305	Temperature compensation mode	enum	0 = Off 1 = Given 2 = Internal ¹⁾ (default: 2 (Internal))
775	0x0306	Humidity compensation mode	enum	0 = Off 1 = On (default: 0 (Off))
776	0x0307	Oxygen compensation mode	enum	0 = Off 1 = On (default: 0 (Off))
777	0x0308	CO ₂ filtering factor	16-bit integer	0–100 (default: 100 (no filtering)). For information on setting the filtering factor, see Filtering factor (page 140).

- 1) For probes with firmware version earlier than 1.4.3, temperature compensation mode 'internal' is called 'measured'.



To apply an accurate relative humidity compensation (775), you must also enable temperature compensation (774) and pressure compensation (773).

A.4.3 Status registers

Table 67 Modbus status registers (read-only)

Register number	Address	Description	Data format	Notes
0800	0x2049	Device status	16-bit	0 = Status OK. 1 = Critical error. 2 = Error. 4 = Warning.

Register number	Address	Description	Data format	Notes
0801	0x2050	CO ₂ status	16-bit	0 = Status OK. 2 = CO ₂ reading not reliable. Appears during transmitter start-up. 256 = Measurement not ready. Appears during transmitter start-up.
0803 ¹⁾	0x2052	Error code	32-bit field	See table <i>Error codes in register 0x2052</i> below.

1) Register available from probe firmware version 1.4.3 onwards.

Table 68 Error codes in register 0x2052

Bitmask	Error message	Severity
0x0000	Status OK.	
0x0001	Program memory crc critical error.	Critical
0x0002	Parameter memory crc critical error.	Critical
0x0010	Low supply voltage error.	Error
0x0020	Internal 30V error.	Error
0x0040	Low RX signal error.	Error
0x0080	Internal 8V error.	Error
0x0100	RX signal cut error.	Error
0x1000	Out of measurement range error.	Error
0x2000	Sensor heater error.	Error
0x4000	IR temperature error.	Error
0x8000	FPI slope error.	Error
0x10000	Internal 2.5V error.	Error
0x20000	Internal 1.7V error.	Error
0x40000	Low IR current error.	Error

If several errors are active at the same time, the Modbus error code register contains the sum of currently active error codes.

More information

- [Error messages \(page 117\)](#)

A.5 Device identification objects

Table 69 Device identification objects

Object ID	Object ID (hexadecimal)	Object name	Example contents
0	0x00	VendorName	"Vaisala"
1	0x01	ProductCode	GMP251
2	0x02	MajorMinorVersion	"1.2.3" Software version of the device.
3	0x03	VendorUrl	" http://www.vaisala.com/ "
4	0x04	ProductName	"GMP251 Carbon Dioxide Probe"
128	0x80	SerialNumber ¹⁾	"K0710040"
129	0x81	CalibrationDate ¹⁾	"2025-08-31" Calibration date in YYYY-MM-DD format. Empty string if not set/valid.
130	0x82	CalibrationText ¹⁾	"Vaisala/HEL" Calibration information text. Empty string if not set/valid.

¹⁾ Vaisala-specific device information.

A.6 Exception responses

Table 70 Modbus exception responses

Code	Name	Reason
01	Illegal function	Unsupported function code
02	Illegal data address	Register address or Object ID out of valid ranges
03	Illegal data value	Otherwise invalid request

Accessing unavailable (temporarily missing) measurement data does not generate a Modbus exception. "Unavailable" value (a quiet NaN for floating point data or 0x8000 for integer data) is returned instead. An exception is generated only for any access outside the applicable register ranges.

A.7 Modbus communication examples

Reading CO₂ value



Device address used in the following examples is 240 (0xF0).
The values returned by the device differ depending on the ambient conditions and/or device settings. Your device might not return exactly same values.

Request		Response	
Bytes on the line (hexadecimal)	Description	Bytes on the line (hexadecimal)	Description
(silence for 3.5 bytes)	Start of Modbus RTU frame	(silence for 3.5 bytes)	Start of Modbus RTU frame
0xF0	GMP25x address	0xF0	GMP25x address
0x03	Function (Read Holding Registers)	0x03	Function (Read Holding Registers)
0x00	Register address	0x04	Number of data bytes
0x00		0xD4	Value of first register (least significant word)
0x00	Number of 16-bit registers to read (2)	0x7A	
0x02		0x43	Value of second register (most significant word)
0xD1	Modbus RTU checksum	0xE8	
0x2A		0x33	Modbus RTU checksum
(silence for 3.5 bytes)	End of Modbus RTU frame	0xAB	
		(silence for 3.5 bytes)	End of Modbus RTU frame

Communication description	
Register address	1 (1-based Modbus documentation format) = 0x0000 (0-based format used in actual communication).
Data format	Two 16-bit Modbus registers interpreted as IEEE 754 binary32 floating point value, least significant word first.
Returned value	43E8D47Ah, which is binary32 representation of 465.65997 (ppm).

Writing volatile compensation pressure value

Request		Response		
Bytes on the line (hexadecimal)	Description	Bytes on the line (hexadecimal)	Description	
(silence for 3.5 bytes)	Start of Modbus RTU frame	(silence for 3.5 bytes)	Start of Modbus RTU frame	
0xF0	GMP25x address	0xF0	GMP25x address	
0x10	Function (Write Multiple Registers)	0x10	Function (Write Multiple Registers)	
0x02	Register address	0x02	Register address	
0x08		0x08		
0x00	Number of registers to write (2)	0x00	Number of 16-bit registers written (2)	
0x02		0x02		
0x04	Number of data bytes	0xD4	Modbus RTU checksum	
0x50	Value for the first register (least significant word)	0x93		
0x00		(silence for 3.5 bytes)	End of Modbus RTU frame	
0x44	Value for the second register (most significant word)	 The response to a write function informs that the function was correctly received by the device. It does not guarantee that the written value was accepted by the device (for example, in case of out-of-range values). To verify that the value was really accepted by the device, read the register value after writing.		
0x7D				
0x0E	Modbus RTU checksum			
0xB7				
(silence for 3.5 bytes)	End of Modbus RTU frame			

Communication description	
Register address	521 (1-based Modbus documentation format) = 0x0208 (0-based format used in actual communication).
Data format	Two 16-bit Modbus registers interpreted as IEEE 754 binary32 floating point value, least significant word first.

Communication description	
Value to write	1013.25 (hPa), in binary32 format 0x447D5000.

A.8 Filtering factor

Modbus register 777 sets the CO₂ filtering factor.

The filtering factor affects the speed at which the latest CO₂ measurement is integrated into the output of the probe. A new measurement is produced approximately every two seconds.

By default, the filtering factor is set to 1.0, which means the latest measurement is shown directly in the output, without any filtering. If the measuring environment produces occasional exceptionally high or low readings that need to be averaged out in the output, filtering can be applied.

To apply filtering, you need to set a filtering factor that determines how much the previous measurements affect the calculation of measurement output. For example, when using filtering factor of 0.1, the new output is a combination of previous measurements (90 %) and the latest measurement (10 %).

Examples of the effect of filtering on output:

- Filtering factor 1.0 = No filtering, the latest measurement is output directly without integrating previous measurements.
- Filtering factor 0.5 = The reading output shows ~75 % of the measurement change after two 2-second measurement cycles and ~93 % after four cycles.
- Filtering factor 0.1 = The reading output shows ~90 % of the measurement change after 22 measurement cycles.

The configuration range of the filtering factor is 0–100 in the 16-bit register: for example, to set the factor to 0.5, set the value of the register to 50.

The following formula is used when calculating the output:

$$o_{\text{new}} = o_{\text{old}} + (m_{\text{new}} - o_{\text{old}}) \times f$$

o_{new}	New output
o_{old}	Previous output
m_{new}	New measurement
f	Filtering factor

Appendix B. Recycling instructions

These recycling instructions guide you on the end-of-life treatment of this Vaisala product. As waste regulations and infrastructure vary in each country, these instructions only indicate the different components to be separated and common ways to handle them. Always follow local requirements when disposing of the product. Vaisala encourages to use the best available recycling practices to minimize related environmental impacts.



Vaisala is committed to meeting the requirements of the EU Waste Electrical and Electronic Equipment (WEEE) Directive. This directive aims to minimize the impact of electrical and electronic goods on the environment, by increasing reuse and recycling, and reducing the amount of WEEE going to landfill. This symbol indicates that the product should be collected separately from other waste streams and treated appropriately.

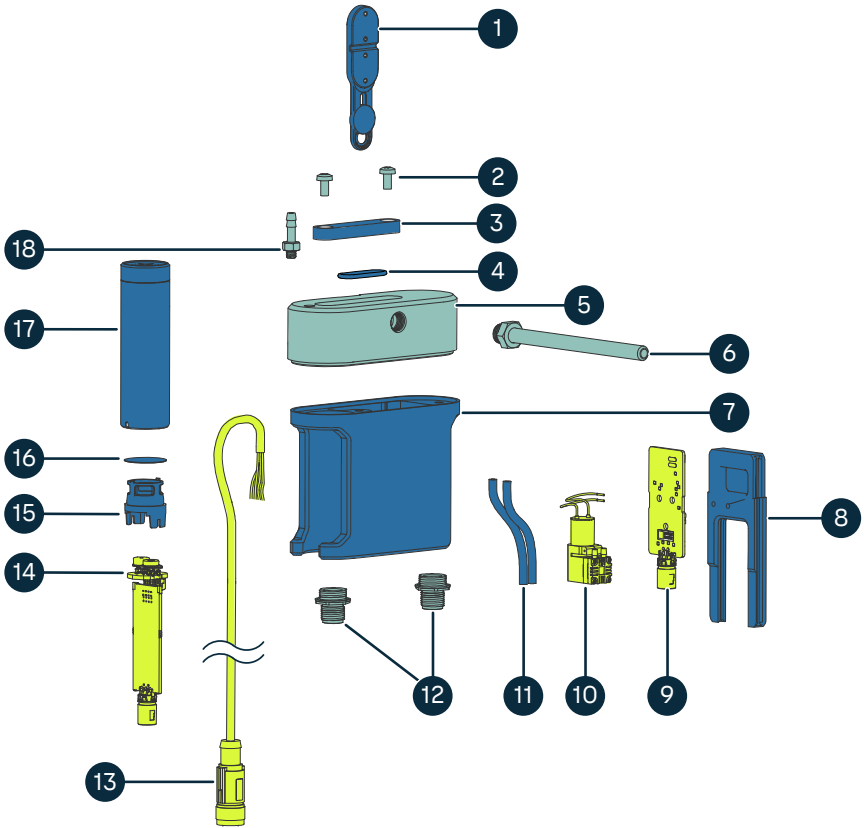


Figure 51 GMP251 and GMP80P materials for recycling

Table 71 Materials for recycling

Recycling	Part	Material
Electrical and electronic waste	9, 10, 13, 14	Various
Metal waste	2, 6	Stainless steel
	5	Aluminum
	12	Brass, nickel, copper
	18	Brass, nickel

Recycling	Part	Material
Plastic waste	3	PMMA
	7, 8	PA
	11	Silicone
	17	PBT, PTFE
Other	1, 4, 15, 16	Various

Maintenance and calibration services



Vaisala offers comprehensive customer care throughout the life cycle of our measurement instruments and systems. Our factory services are provided worldwide with fast deliveries. For more information, see vaisala.com/calibration.

- Vaisala Online Store at store.vaisala.com is available for most countries. You can browse the offering by product model and order the right accessories, spare parts, or maintenance and calibration services.
- To contact your local maintenance and calibration expert, see vaisala.com/contactus.

Warranty

For warranty terms and conditions and the warranty claim process, see vaisala.com/warranty. Note that warranty coverage may not apply if the product is damaged due to normal wear and tear, exceptional operating conditions, negligent handling or installation, or unauthorized modifications. See the applicable supply contract or Conditions of Sale for details of the warranty for each product.

Technical support



You can contact Vaisala technical support at helpdesk@vaisala.com. Provide the following supporting information as applicable:

- Product name, model, and serial number
- Software/Firmware version
- Name and location of the installation site
- Name and contact information of a technical person who can provide further information

When contacting technical support for troubleshooting, also provide the following information as applicable:

- What failed (what worked / did not work)?
- Where did it fail (location and environment)?
- When did it fail (date, immediately / after a while / periodically / randomly)?
- How many failed (only one defect / other same or similar defects / several failures in one unit)?
- What was done when the failure was noticed?
- What was connected to the product and to which connectors?
- What is the input power source type, voltage, and what else (such as lighting, heaters, and motors) was connected to the same power output?
- Are all parts connected and grounded properly? Take a photo to help the troubleshooting.

If available, provide the diagnostics package for the application.

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