

Product Specifications for Kestrel Weather Meters, Model Numbers 1000-3500

SENSORS

SENSOR	ACCURACY (+/-)	RESOLUTION	SPECIFICATION RANGE	NOTES
Wind Speed Air Speed	Larger of 3% of reading, least significant digit or 20 ft/min	0.1 m/s 1 ft/min 0.1 km/h 0.1 mph 0.1 knots 1 B	0.6 to 40.0 m/s 118 to 7,874 ft/min 2.2 to 144.0 km/h 1.3 to 89.5 mph 1.2 to 77.8 knots 0 to 12 B	1 inch 25 mm diameter impeller with precision axle and low-friction Zytel® bearings. Startup speed stated as lower limit, readings may be taken down to 0.4 m/s [79 ft min 1.5 km/h .9 mph .8 kt after impeller startup. Off-axis accuracy -1% @ 5° off axis; -2% @ 10°; -3% @ 15°. Calibration drift < 1% after 100 hours use at 16 MPH [7 m/s. Replacement impeller (NK PN-0801) field installs without tools (US Patent 5,783,753). Wind speed calibration and testing should be done with triangle on impeller located at the top front face of the Kestrel. Measuring wind speeds above 60 m/s / 134.2 mph can damage the impeller.
Ambient Temperature	0.9 °F 0.5 °C	0.1 °F 0.1 °C	-20.0 to 158.0 °F -29.0 to 70.0 °C	Airflow of 2.2 mph 1 m/s or greater provides fastest response and reduction of insulation effect. For greatest accuracy, avoid direct sunlight on the temperature sensor and prolonged sunlight exposure to the unit in low airflow conditions. Calibration drift is negligible for the life of the product. For further details, see Display & Battery Operational Temperature Limits.
Relative Humidity	3%RH	0.1 %RH	5 to 95% 25°C non-condensing	To achieve stated accuracy, unit must be permitted to equilibrate to external temperature when exposed to large, rapid temperature changes and be kept out of direct sunlight. Calibration drift is typically less than ±0.25% per year.
Pressure	1.5 hPa mbar 0.044 inHg 0.022 PSI	0.1 hPa mbar 0.01 inHg 0.01 PSI	25°C/77°F 750-1100 hPa mbar 22.15-32.48 inHg 10.88-15.95 PSI	Monolithic silicon piezo-resistive pressure sensor with second-order temperature correction. Between 1100–1600 mbar, unit will operate with reduced accuracy. Sensor may not operate above 1600 mbar and can be damaged above 6,000 mbar or below 10 mbar. Calibration drift is negligible for the life of the product.

CALCULATED MEASUREMENTS

MEASUREMENT	ACCURACY (+/-)	RESOLUTION	SENSORS EMPLOYED
Altitude	typical: 23.6 ft/7.2 m from 750 to 1100 mBar max: 48.2 ft/14.7 m from 300 to 750 mBar	1 ft 1 m	Pressure, User Input (Reference Pressure)
Barometric Pressure	0.07 inHg 2.4 hPa mbar 0.03 PSI	0.01 inHg 0.1 hPa mbar 0.01 PSI	Pressure, User Input (Reference Altitude)
Delta T	3.2 °F 1.8 °C	0.1 °F 0.1 °C	Temperature, Relative Humidity, Pressure
Dew Point	3.4 °F 1.9 °C 15-95% RH. Refer to Range for Temperature Sensor	0.1 °F 0.1 °C	Temperature, Relative Humidity
Heat Index	7.1°F 4.0°C	0.1 °F 0.1 °C	Temperature, Relative Humidity
Wet Bulb Temperature - Psychrometric	3.2 °F 1.8 °C	0.1 °F 0.1 °C	Temperature, Relative Humidity, Pressure
Wind Chill	1.6 °F 0.9 °C	0.1 °F 0.1 °C	Wind Speed, Temperature

ADDITIONAL PRODUCT INFO

Display	Reflective LCD
Backlight	Standard or dim red (NV models only) backlight. Manual activation with auto-off.
Response Time & Display Update	Display updates every 1 second. After exposure to large environmental changes, all sensors require an equilibration period to reach stated accuracy. Measurements employing RH may require longer periods particularly after prolonged exposure to very high or very low humidity.
Auto Shutdown	After 45 minutes with no key presses.
Clock	Real Time Hour:Minute Display
Certifications	CE certified, RoHS and WEEE compliant. Individually tested to NIST-traceable standards.
Origin	Designed and manufactured in the USA from US and imported components. Complies with Regional Value Content and Tariff Code Transformation requirements for NAFTA Preference Criterion B.
Battery	Requires one CR2032 battery, included. Up to 300 hours of use, reduced by backlight use.
Shock Resistance	MIL-STD-810g, Transit Shock, Method 516.6 Procedure IV; unit only; impact may damage replaceable impeller.
Sealing	Waterproof (IP67 and NEMA-6)
Display & Battery Operational Temperature Limits	14° F to 131° F -10 °C to 55 °C Measurements may be taken beyond the limits of the operational temperature range of the display and batteries by maintaining the unit within the operational range and then exposing it to the more extreme environment for the minimum time necessary to take reading.
Storage Temperature	-22.0 °F to 140.0 °F -30.0 °C to 60.0 °C.
Size & Weight	4.8 x 1.9 x 1.1 in 12.2 x 4.8 x 2.8 cm, 3.6 oz 102 g (Including slip-on cover).

*Note: Accuracy calculated as uncertainty of the measurement derived from statistical analysis considering the combined effects from primary sensor specifications, circuit conversions, and all other sources of error using a coverage factor of k=2, or two standard deviations (2σ)

**Note: These specifications are valid for all Kestrel 1000, 2000, 2500, 3000, 3500 series with a serial number higher than 2262687. If your product has a lower serial number, please reference the K4000 specifications 329011.

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Certificate of Conformity

This instrument was produced under rigorous factory production control and documented standard procedures. It was individually inspected and leak tested and the functioning of the display, backlight, buttons and firmware was verified. The accuracy of each of its primary measurements was individually calibrated and/or validated against standards traceable to the National Institute of Standards and Technology (“NIST”) or other calibrated standards in accordance with the documented standard test methods detailed below. This instrument is warranted to perform in compliance with the published specifications for the specific measurements and features of its model number including specified typical drift since its date of manufacture. (See *Kestrel Limited Warranty for full warranty terms.*)

Standards Used in Testing

Wind Speed:

The Kestrel Weather & Environmental Meter impeller installed in this unit was individually tested in a subsonic wind tunnel operating at approximately 300 fpm (1.5 m/s) and 1200 fpm (6.1 m/s) monitored by a Gill Instruments Model 1350 ultrasonic time-of-flight anemometer. The Gill 1350 is calibrated regularly and is traceable to NIST with a maximum combined uncertainty of $\pm 1.04\%$ within the airspeed range 711.4 to 3930 fpm (3.61 to 19.96 m/s), and $\pm 1.66\%$ within the airspeed range 170 to 711.4 fpm (0.86 to 3.61 m/s).

Temperature:

Temperature response is verified in comparison with an Ametek DTI-050 Digital Temperature Indicator and STS Reference Sensor. The DTI-050 is calibrated annually and is traceable to NIST with a maximum relative expanded uncertainty of $\pm 0.04\text{C}$.

Relative Humidity:

Relative humidity is verified in comparison with an Edgetech HT120 Humidity Transmitter. The HT120 is calibrated annually and is traceable to NIST with a maximum relative expanded uncertainty of $\pm 1.0\%RH$.

Barometric Pressure:

Pressure response is verified against a Vaisala PTB210A Digital Barometer. The Vaisala Barometer is calibrated annually and is traceable to NIST with a maximum relative expanded uncertainty of $\pm 0.3hPa$.

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