

# **User's Guide**

# 0 to 90% Brix Refractometer

Model RF30



#### Introduction

Congratulations on your purchase of the Extech RF30 Brix Refractometer. Precision optical instruments should be handled gently; avoid touching the optical surface. Careful use of these instruments will provide years of reliable service.

## Specifications

0 to 90% Brix in three scales: Range 1: (0 to 42%), 2: (42 to 71%),

3: (71 to 90%)

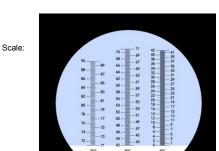
Resolution 0.2%

7.5 x 1.6 x 1.2" (190 x 40 x 30mm); Dimensions

5.5 oz. (155g) Weight

## Description

- 1. Cover plate
- 2. Light window Prism
- 3.
- 4. Sharpness ring
- 5. Eyepiece and Focus
- 6. Light window
- 7. Scale select knob

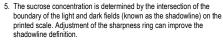


### Operation

This instrument measures the refractive index of a sample. The measurement is displayed in % Brix.

- 1. The 20°C zero calibration is factory set. No further adjustment is necessary.
- 2. Select the scale (1, 2 or 3) by rotating the scale select knob.
- To take a sample reading, open the cover plate, place a few drops of the sample (a vial of distilled water is included) on the measurement prism. Close the prism cover plate so that the liquid spreads across the entire surface of the prism without air bubbles or dry spots. Allow the sample to remain on the prism for approximately 30 seconds.

4. While holding the instrument under a light source, look through the eyepiece. Rotate the eyepiece to adjust the focus



6. It may be necessary to adjust the position of the light source to maximize the contrast of the shadowline. The light window may also be opened or closed to improve contrast.

Change the range if the line is offscale.

Once a reading has been taken, wipe dry with a clean cloth (do not wash or rinse) and place the instrument in the supplied plastic case. Store the instrument in a safe, dry environment.

### **Temperature Compensation**

The RF30 Refractometer has been designed for use with a 20°C standard temperature. If the temperature of the measurement deviates from 20°C, the reading must be manually compensated in accordance with the Temperature Compensation Table.

Example: Reading = 20%, Temperature = 28°C 20% + 0.62% (add from table) =20.62%.

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# Temperature Compensation Table (Referenced To 20°C)

%	Ö	5	10	15	20	25	30	35	40		
۰C	Subtract from the measured value										
10	0.52	0.58	0.59	0.61	0.64	0.67	0.69	0.71	0.72		
11	0.48	0.51	0.54	0.55	0.58	0.61	0.63	0.65	0.65		
12	0.44	0.47	0.49	0.50	0.52	0.55	0.57	0.58	0.58		
13	0.39	0.42	0.44	0.44	0.45	0.49	0.50	0.51	0.51		
14	0.35	0.37	0.38	0.39	0.40	0.42	0.43	0.44	0.44		
15	0.29	0.31	0.32	0.33	0.34	0.35	0.36	0.37	0.37		
16	0.24	0.25	0.26	0.27	0.28	0.28	0.29	0.30	0.30		
17	0.18	0.19	0.20	'0.20	0.21	0.21	0.22	0.22	0.23		
18	0.12	0.13	0.13	0.14	0.14	0.14	0.15	0.15	0.15		
19	0.06	0.06	0.07	0.07	0.07	0.07	0.07	0.08	0.08		
	Add to the measured value										
21	0.06	0.07	0.07	0.07	0.07	0.07	0.08	0.08	0.08		
22	0.13	0.14	0.14	0.14	0.14	0.15	0.15	0.16	0.16		
23	0.20	0.21	0.21	0.22	0.22	0.23	0.23	0.23	0.23		
24	0.27	0.28	0.29	0.29	0.30	0.30	0.31	0.31	0.31		
25	0.34	0.35	0.36	0.37	0.38	0.38	0.39	0.39	0.40		
26	0.42	0.43	0.44	0.44	0.46	0.46	0.47	0.47	0.48		
27	0.50	0.51	0.52	0.53	0.54	0.55	0.55	0.56	0.56		
28	0.58	0.59	0.60	0.61	0.62	0.63	0.64	0.64	0.65		
29	0.66	0.67	0.68	0.69	0.70	0.71	0.72	0.73	0.73		
30	0.74	0.75	0.77	0.78	0.79	'0.80	'0.81	0.81	0.81		

%	45	50	55	60	65	70	75	80	85		
°C	Subtract from the measured value										
10	0.74	0.74	0.74	0.75	0.76	0.77					
11	0.67	0.67	0.67	0.68	0.68	0.69					
12	0.60	0.60	0.60	0.60	0.61	0.61					
13	0.53	0.53	0.53	0.53	0.53	0.53					
14	0.45	0.45	0.45	0.45	0.45	0.46					
15	0.38	0.38	0.38	0.38	0.38	0.38	0.38	0.37	0.07		
16	0.30	0.31	0.31	0.31	0.31	0.31	0.30	0.30	0.30		
17	0.23	0.23	0.23	0.23	0.23	0.23	0.23	0.23	0.22		
18	0.15	0.15	0.15	0.15	0.15	0.15	0.15	0.15	0.15		
19	0.08	0.08	0.08	0.08	0.08	0.08	0.08	0.08	0.07		
		Add to the measured value									
21	0.08	0.08	0.08	0.08	0.08	0.08	0.08	0.08	0.07		
22	0.16	0.16	0.16	0.16	0.16	0.15	0.15	0.15	0.15		
23	0.24	0.24	0.24	0.24	0.23	0.22	0.23	0.23	0.22		
24	0.31	0.31	0.32	0.32	0.31	0.31	0.31	0.30	0.30		
25	0.40	0.40	0.40	0.40	0.39	0.39	0.39	0.38	0.37		
26	0.48	0.48	0.48	0.48	0.47	0.47	0.46	0.46	0.45		
27	0.56	0.56	0.56	0.56	0.55	0.55	0.54	0.53	0.52		
28	0.65	0.64	0.64	0.64	0.64	0.63	0.62	0.61	0.60		
29	0.73	0.73	0.73	0.72	0.72	0.71	0.70	0.69	0.68		
30	0.82	0.81	0.81	0.81	0.80	0.79	0.78	0.77	0.75		
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