LA+ CO2+VOC (Temp_rH) LRW

Duct sensor for air quality
Optional: Temperature | Humidity

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» APPLICATION

LoRaWAN® air quality sensor for outdoor CO_2 measurement optional temperature and humidity in outdoor areas: cold rooms, greenhouses, production plants and warehouses. The device is built with two 0..10 V output and a LoRaWAN® radio module.

» TYPES AVAILABLE

Outdoor sensor CO2 + VOC + Temp. (opt.) + rH (opt.) – active, 2 x 0..10 VV LRW

- LA+ CO2+VOC LRW
- LA+ CO2+VOC Temp LRW
- LA+ CO2+VOC Temp-rH LRW

Outdoor sensor CO2 + Temp. (opt.) + rH (opt.) – active, 2 x 0..10 VV LRW

- LA+ CO2 Temp LRW
- LA+ CO2 Temp_rH LRW

Outdoor sensor VOC + Temp. (opt.) + rH (opt.) – active, 2 x 0..10 VV LRW

- LA+ VOC Temp LRW
- LA+ VOC Temp_rH LRW

» SECURITY ADVICE – CAUTION

The installation and assembly of electrical equipment should only be performed by authorised personnel.

The product should only be used for the intended application. Unauthorised modifications are prohibited! The product must not be used in relation to any equipment that in case of failure may threaten, directly or indirectly, human health or life or result in danger to human beings, animals or assets. Ensure all power is disconnected before installation. Do not connect to live/operating equipment.

Please comply with

- Local laws, health & safety regulations, technical standards and regulations
- The state of the technology at the time of installation
- This data sheet and installation manual

» PRODUCT TESTING AND CERTIFICATION

Declaration of conformity
The declaration of conformity of the products can be found on our website:
https://www.thermokon.de/direct/en-gb/categories/laplus

» NOTES ON DISPOSAL



The crossed-out wheelie bin symbol indicates that the product or removable batteries must not be disposed of with household or commercial waste. Within the EU, you are legally obliged to dispose of the product separately and appropriately in accordance with the national laws of your country. Alternatively, please contact your supplier or Thermokon Sensortechnik GmbH. Further information can be found at: www.thermokon.com

» USE ENCLOSURE WITH UV AND WEATHER RESISTANCE

After some time, outdoor mounted plastics can lose their colour and quality. Therefore, all USE housings are made of special white polycarbonate (PC). The light-stable colourants and additives are used to achieve optimum protection of the polymer while maintaining colour stability. The titanium dioxide used is specially developed for polycarbonate and offers excellent UV protection through the reflection of the entire light spectrum including the UV component – by 340 nm. This effectively counteracts the otherwise occurring photochemical polymer degradation. The colours stay full for a long time without fading. The material is also resistant to cold and frost.

» GENERAL REMARKS CONCERNING SENSORS

Especially regarding passive sensors in two-wire conductor versions, the wire resistance of the supply wire must be considered. If necessary, the wire resistance must be compensated by the follow-up electronics. Due to self-heating, the wire current affects the measurement accuracy, so it should not exceed 1 mA.

When using lengthy connection wires (depending on the cross section used) the measuring result might be falsified due to a voltage drop at the common GND-wire (caused by the voltage current and the line resistance). In this case, 2 GND-wires must be wired to the sensor – one for supply voltage and one for the measuring current.

Sensing devices with a transducer should always be operated in the middle of the measuring range to avoid deviations at the measuring end points. The ambient temperature of the transducer electronics should be kept constant. The transducers must be operated at a constant supply voltage (±0,2 V). When switching the supply voltage on and off, onsite power surges must be avoided.

» BUILD-UP OF SELF-HEATING BY ELECTRICAL DISSIPATIVE POWER

Sensors with electronic components always have a dissipative power, which affects the temperature measurement of the ambient air. The dissipation in active temperature sensors shows a linear increase with rising operating voltage. This dissipative power must be considered when measuring temperature. In case of a fixed operating voltage (±0,2 V) this is normally done by adding or reducing a constant offset value.

Thermokon transducers can be operated with variable operating voltages. The transducers are set at the factory with a reference operating voltage of 24 V =.

At this voltage, the expected measuring error of the output signal will be the least. Other operating voltages can cause a measurement deviation changing power loss of the sensor electronics.

A recalibration can be carried out directly on the unit or via a software variable (app or bus).

» APPLICATION NOTICE FOR HUMIDITY SENSORS

At regular environmental conditions, it is recommended to calibrate the sensor annually to check the compliance with the accuracy required in the application. The following conditions can damage the sensor element or lead in long term to loss of the specified accuracy:

- Mechanical stress
- Contamination (e.g. dust or fingerprints)
- Aggressive chemicals
- Ambient conditions (e.g. condensation on measuring elements)

Do not touch the sensor elements!

Re-calibration or exchange of the sensor elements are not subject of the general warranty.

» INFORMATION ABOUT SELF-CALIBRATION FEATURE CO_2

All gas sensors are subject to drift. The degree of drift is dependent on the use of components and product design. In addition, the following environmental conditions, among others, can accelerate/favor the aging and wear of the sensors:

- Mechanical stress (also due to temperature fluctuation)
- Contamination (e.g. dust or fingerprints)
- Aggressive chemicals
- Ambient conditions (high humidity or condensation on measuring elements)

An internal self-calibration function with dual channel technology compensates for the caused drift. Thermokon sensors are for permanent use (e.g. hospitals).

» INFORMATION ABOUT INDOOR AIR QUALITY CO_2

EN 13779 defines several classes for indoor air quality:

Category	CO_2 content above the content in outdoor air in ppm		Description
	Typical range	Standard value	
IDA1	<400 ppm	350 ppm	Good indoor air quality
IDA2	400..600 ppm	500 ppm	Standard indoor air quality
IDA3	600..1.000 ppm	800 ppm	Moderate indoor air quality
IDA4	>1.000 ppm	1.200 ppm	Poor indoor air quality

» USER INFORMATION FOR VOC AIR QUALITY SENSORS

Volatile organic compounds (VOC) are gaseous and vaporous substances of organic origin present in the air. VOC sensors detect the major portion of air quality that is perceived olfactorily (through the sense of smell) by humans (e.g. body odors, tobacco smoke, emissions from materials such as furniture, carpets, paints, adhesives, etc.).

The VOC value is an application-specific indicator of indoor air quality and does not provide any information about the composition of the substances present.

A VOC sensor oxidises the organic molecules that come into contact with it, causing the resistance of the semiconductor to change. The VOC index (0...500) describes the air quality relative to the learned indoor air conditions. A value of 100 corresponds to “normal” indoor air quality (reference value determined dynamically over approximately 8 days); values below 100 indicate an improvement, while values above 100 indicate a deterioration in air quality. If the room is not ventilated despite high index values, the value will gradually approach 100 again, as the sensor learns the poor air as the new “normal”.

The sensor must not be exposed to direct drafts, as these can significantly influence and distort the measurement result. Any contact with the sensitive sensors must be avoided and will void the warranty.

VOC index	Classification	Meaning	Recommendation
0 – 100	Better air quality	Lower VOC load than the learned reference level of the previously measured indoor air quality (see Section 4.2), e.g. after ventilation, when using an air purifier, or with low room occupancy.	No action needed
100	Reference value (baseline)	Corresponds to the “normal” indoor air quality learned by the algorithm. On Thermokon devices, this reference is determined dynamically over approx. 8 days (see Section 4.2).	Normal condition
100 – 500	Worse air quality	Higher VOC load than the learned reference level, e.g. due to cooking, cleaning agents, high occupancy, or emissions from new furniture or fresh paint.	Ventilation or air purification are recommended; at high values (> 350) intense ventilation is recommended

» TECHNICAL DATA

Measuring values	CO_2, VOC, temperature, humidity
Output voltage	2 x 0..10 V or 0..5 V, min load 10 kΩ (live-zero configuration via Thermokon USEapp)
Power supply	15..35 V = or 19..29 V ~ SELV
Power consumption	Max. 2,3 W (24 V =) | max. 4,3 VA (24 V ~)
Enclosure	Enclosure: USE-M, PC, pure white, with removable cable entry
Degree of Protection	IP65, according to EN 60529
Cable entry	M20, for wire max. Ø = 4,5..9 mm (0.18..0.35 in.), removeable
Electrical connection	Removable plug-in terminal, max. 2,5 mm²
Ambient condition	0..+50 °C, max. 85 % rH (short term condensation)
Configuration	Thermokon USEapp, LoRaWAN® Downlink, Jumper
Notes	VOC sensors detect gases and vapours which can be oxidised (burnt): Body odours, tobacco smoke, exhalations emitted by materials (furniture, carpets, paint, glue ...)

» LoRaWAN®

Radio technology	LoRaWAN®
LoRaWAN® version	1.0.3
Device class	Class A
Frequency	EU868 (863-870 MHz)
Max. transmission power	+14 dBm (25 mW)
Receiver sensitivity	-137 dBm
Antenna	Internal send/receiver antenna, external antenna available on request
LoRaWAN® Features	Over the Air Activation (OTAA), Adaptive Data Rate (ADR)
Data transmission *(configurable)*	Configurable transmission interval, factory default value 5 min

» Temperature

Measuring range temp. **Scaling analogue output*	0..+50 °C (default setting), optionally configurable via Thermokon USEapp
Accuracy temperature	±0,5 K (typ. at 21 °C with default settings)

» Humidity *(optional)*

Measuring range humidity	0..100 % rH, (non-condensing)
Accuracy humidity	±2 % between 10..90 % rH (typ. at 21 °C)

» CO_2

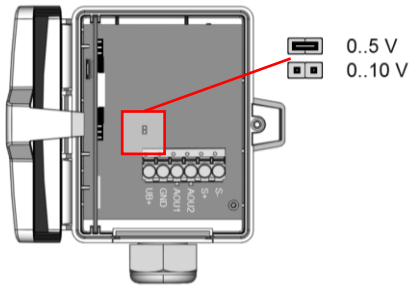
Measuring range CO_2	0..2000 ppm (default), 0..5000 ppm (optionally configured via Thermokon USEapp)
Accuracy CO_2	±50 ppm +3 % of reading (typ. at 21 °C, 50 % rH)
Calibration	Self-calibration dual channel
Sensor	NDIR (non-dispersive, infrared)

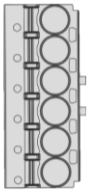
» VOC

Measuring range VOC	VOC index: 0..500
Sensor	Heated metal oxide semiconductor

» WIRING DIAGRAM

Switch off the power (or disconnect the plug-in terminal) to change the output voltage range (default: 0..10 V to 0..5 V). The jumper must be moved in de-energized state. The set output value range is ready approximately 2 seconds after restart of the device.





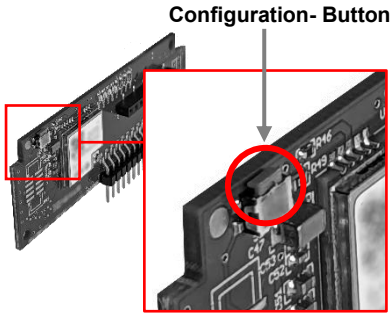
» CONFIGURATION



The Thermokon bluetooth dongle with micro-USB (Item No.: 668262) is required for communication between USEapp and USE-M/USE-L products. Commercial bluetooth dongles are not compatible.

Application-specific reconfiguration of the devices can be carried out using the Thermokon USEapp. The configuration is carried out in the voltage-supplied state.

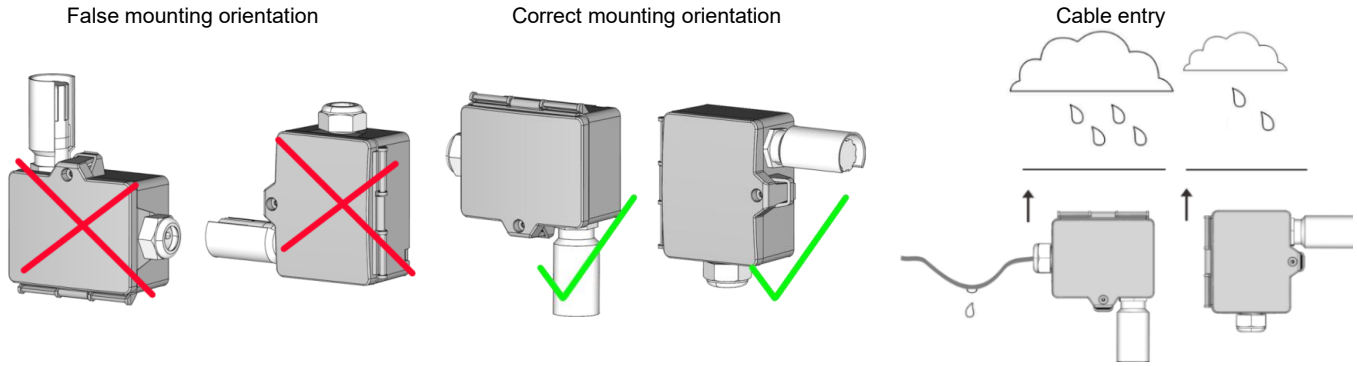
The configuration-app and the app description can be found on the website www.thermokon.de



1. Connect the sensor with the power supply according to wiring diagram
2. Plug in the Bluetooth dongle
3. Press the button to start configuration mode.
4. Configure the sensor using the USEapp on a mobile device.
5. Disconnect the Bluetooth connection.
6. Remove the Bluetooth dongle from the sensor.
7. Press the button to stop configuration mode.
8. Configuration values are saved and the device is ready for use.

» MOUNTING ADVICE

In case of outdoor installation avoid direct rain and sun contact. Probably use sun respectively rain protection. Cable entry from the bottom or side. For side cable routing set a loop so that precipitation can drain defined. Observe permissible ambient condition.

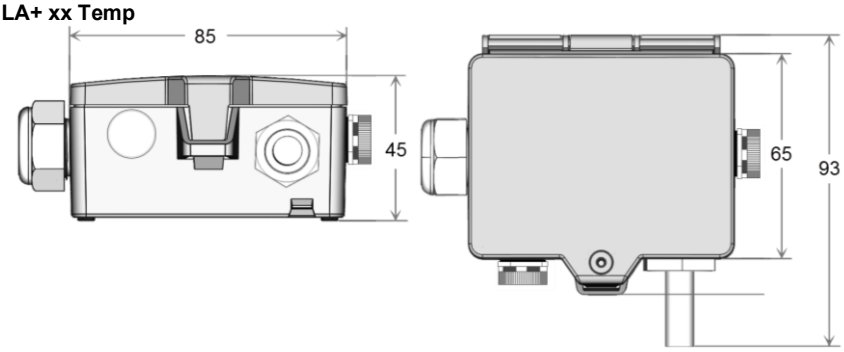


Regardless of the compass direction, the outdoor sensor should not be mounted in the following locations:

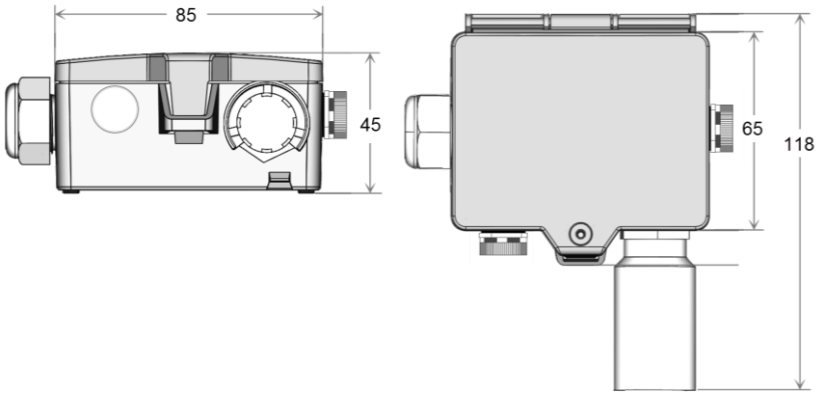
- on chimneys, under roofs, canopies or balconies
- near exhaust air openings
- above, below or next to windows and doors

»DIMENSIONS (MM)

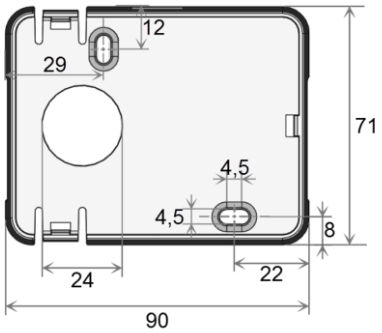
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Mounting base



»INFORMATION ABOUT LORAWAN® SPECIFICATION

The Thermokon LoRaWAN® specification can be downloaded from our website.

»APPLICATION NOTICE

After a certain time, dirt in the air can collect on the filter and then adversely affect the operation of the sensor. Under normal ambient condition an annual maintenance is recommended. Rinse the filter after cleaning with distilled water and dry it using clean oil-free air or nitrogen. Extremely contaminated filters should be replaced. At extreme ambient conditions, e.g. corrosive gases, the humidity sensor may have to be changed.

The Bluetooth dongle snaps into the socket easily. When removing, please fix the plug-in card (option PCB) so that it is not unintentionally pulled out.

»ACCESSORIES (INCLUDED IN DELIVERY)

Rain protection	Item No. 670715
Mounting base	Item No. 631228
Mounting kit universal	Item No. 698511

• Cover screw + screw cover• 2 Wall plugs • 2 Screws (countersunk head) • 2 Screws (rounded head)

»ACCESSORIES (OPTIONAL)

Filter stainless steel, wire mesh	Item No. 231169
Sealing insert M20 USE white, 2 x Ø = 7 mm (for 2 wires; PU: 10 pieces)	Item No. 641333
Bluetooth dongle	Item No. 668262