OPERATING MANUAL

EchoThermÊ
PROGRAMMABLE, CORROSION RESISTANT STIRRING HOT PLATE

MODEL HS70

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I. INTRODUCTION

Congratulations on your purchase of an EchoThermÊ Programmable, Corrosion Resistant Hot Plate/ Stirrer. Please read the instructions carefully to insure that you receive the maximum benefit from it. Also, be sure to register your unit online and receive your Torrey Pines T-Shirt.

II. WARRANTY

Torrey Pines Scientific warrants this product to be free from defects in material and workmanship for a period of one year from the date of purchase. If repair or adjustment is necessary and has not been the result of abuse or misuse within the one year period, please return---freight prepaid--and correction of the defect will be made without charge.

Out-of-warranty products will be repaired on a charge basis.

III. RETURN OF ITEMS

Authorization must be obtained from our Customer Service Department before returning items for any reason. When applying for authorization, please include data regarding the reason the items are to be returned. For your protection, items must be **carefully packed** to prevent damage in shipment and **insured** against possible damage or loss. Torrey Pines Scientific will not be responsible for damage resulting from careless or insufficient packing. A 15% restocking charge will be made on all unauthorized returns.

NOTE: Torrey Pines Scientific reserves the right to make improvements in design, construction, and appearance without notice.

IV. LABELS

There are various labels on the body of this unit. Listed below are the labels and their meanings.

This symbol means: **Attention. The instruction manual is to be consulted for further information.** ***Attention: Lire ce manuel pour des informations complémentaries.***

This symbol means: **Warning, Hot Surface.** ***Attention, surface chaude.***

This symbol means: **Ground or earth connection.** ***Connexion á la terre.***

V. CAUTIONS

HEATER PLATE SURFACE

The Torrey Pines Scientific HS70 Programmable, Corrosion Resistant Hot Plate/Stirrers are capable of temperatures in excess of 450°C at the plate surface. Touching the heated surface will cause severe burns. **USE EXTREME CAUTION AT ALL TIMES.** Never leave your hot plate accessible to others while it is hot. Although the unit is equipped with a "**HOT WARNING**" indicator on the front panel, do not rely on this alone. It is good practice to never touch the heater surface.
NOTE: DO NOT INSTALL THIS UNIT CLOSER THAN SIX (6) INCHES (15.24 CM) TO A WALL OF COMBUSTIBLE MATERIAL. ALSO, THIS UNIT IS NOT FOR USE WITH FLAMMABLE SUBSTANCES.

PURGE GASSES

The HS70 is designed to be used when purged, under a slight positive pressure, with an **INERT GAS LIKE LAB AIR OR NITROGEN. BE CERTAIN THAT THE PURGE GAS IS INERT. USING PURE OXYGEN OR ANY OTHER REACTIVE GAS COULD CAUSE AN EXPLOSION IN YOUR LABORATORY.**

TEMPERATURE PROBE

When attempting to control PROBE TEMPERATURE, plug in the temperature probe and place it in the sample AT ALL TIMES. If not placed into the sample and plugged into the rear of the hot plate, the unit will not be able to sense the temperature of the sample as heat is being applied. This will result in driving the heater to its maximum and could result in ruining the sample.

Temperature probes vary in size and material. The probe supplied with this unit is a 6-inch Teflon immersion probe (part number HS30-602). For other probes available in other lengths and materials, call the factory or consult your price list. All probes come with 3-foot (91.44 cm) interconnect cable and are 3/16th (47.6 mm) in diameter. Stainless steel probes work best with all but the most aggressive chemicals. Solid Teflon will work with the most aggressive chemicals, but only to about 260°C. Glass probes are available for use with aggressive chemicals at higher temperatures.

ELECTRICAL

These hot plate/stirrers are made in models that operate at 100, 115, and 230 volts AC ±10%. Be certain that your voltage matches the unit you receive. Check the nameplate on the bottom for the voltage setting on your unit. Be certain to use a three-wire, properly grounded AC input. Take the normal care and precaution one would use with any electrical appliance. Be careful to keep the AC line cord away from the hot plate. **Be certain to use a line cord of the same type**

and rating as the one supplied with this unit. Note: all fuses are fast blow.
Bien vérifier que le cordon utilisé est du même type que celui livré avec l'unité. Note: tous les fusibles sont à action rapide.

VI. GENERAL DESCRIPTION

The Torrey Pines Scientific HS70 Programmable, Corrosion Resistant Hot Plate/Stirrers are general purpose digital/programmable units. All functions are settable from the digital front panel and display. These units when received display temperature in ºC. If wanted, they may be switched to read in ºF. See page 6.

HEATER

The plate surface temperature or the actual sample temperature can be set. A sensor in the plate is used to monitor surface temperature, or, alternately, a 100-ohm, 3-wire platinum RTD temperature probe may be connected to the rear of the unit and inserted into the sample to measure and set sample temperature. When a temperature is set, power is applied to the heater to precisely control the temperature at the plate surface or at the sample, as directed by the user.

An optional **ramp** value may be entered into the unit which causes the temperature to approach the target value at a controlled rate of temperature change. This can be either an increase or decrease in temperature. Ramp temperature is always displayed in degrees centigrade.

TIMER

All models come with a count down timer that is settable and displays in hours, minutes and seconds. The timer can be set to 99:59:59 hours. When the timer is set it starts to count down to zero. At zero the timer will sound an audible alarm that will ring five times. In addition to the timer, the unit has an AUTO-OFF function. When the AUTO-OFF function is activated the heater and stirrer will turn off at the end of any count down timer setting.

ALARMS

In addition to the audible alarm associated with the count down timer, all models have an **over temperature alarm** that activates at 455°C. If, for any reason, the plate surface temperature runs away and exceeds this value, the units will turn on the over temperature alarm LED, sound an audible alarm, and shut the heater off. If or when the heater plate surface cools to below 450ºC the heater will turn on again, and the alarm LED and audible alarm will turn off. **NOTE: Failing to place the temperature probe in the solution and then setting a probe temperature will cause the heater to heat to over 455°C and set off the OVER TEMPERATURE ALARM. Also, the OVER TEMPERATURE ALARM may come on if a very large sample is placed on the unit and a probe temperature is set. This setting can cause the heater surface to go over 455°C to achieve the probe temperature set to heat the large sample.**

STIRRER

The stirrer is a motor driven magnet that revolves under the center of the heater plate. A stir bar is used in the solution that couples the motor driven magnet in the unit stirring the solution.

VII. FRONT AND REAR PANEL CONTROLS

FRONT PANEL

Shown above are the keyboard and display for the HS70 Programmable Corrosion Resistant Digital Hot Plate/Stirrer.

The front panel has a tactile touch membrane keyboard with audible feedback. The display is a LCD type made up of rows of numbers and several icons which function to display all parameters when the unit is running and during setting. When the unit is turned on, the display will come on and show the actual plate surface temperature. If a probe is used, it will display the probe temperature. The timer and stirrer functions will show zeros.

There is a red LED on the front panel. It is actuated when the plate surface goes over 50°C to remind the user that the plate surface is hot enough to cause burns. Also, it will flash when the over temperature alarm is activated.

To change the unit from reading in ºC to reading in ºF or vise-versa hold the HEATER OFF button down for 3 seconds. The display will switch over. ***The RAMP value is always set in ºC/hour via the keypad or RS232 I/O port.***

REAR PANEL

Shown are the AC line cord, input fitting for the purge port, and probe connector jack. The AC line cord is a three-wire grounded cord. The fuse is inside the unit in an inline jack on the hot side of the AC input. The fuse type and value appear on the label on the rear of the unit. **The gas fitting is a ¼" NPT 18 threads per inch 0.40 thread engagement fitting.** Be sure to use dry inert gasses only.

CAUTION: If the fuses blow repeatedly, contact your dealer or the manufacturer.

ATTENTION: Si les fusibles sautent de manière répétitive, contacter votre distributeur habituel ou le fabricant.

The temperature sensor jack is a 5-pin DIN jack which is used with a 100-ohm at 0°C platinum RTD temperature probe. Only pins 1, 3 and 5 are used.

VIII. SET UP PARAMETERS AND INSTRUCTIONS

The HS70 Programmable Hot Plate/Stirrers are simple instruments to use. Follow the instructions below.

SET UP PARAMETERS

1. Ambient operating temperature range is from 5°C to 40°C.

2. Maximum altitude of operation should not exceed 2000 meters.

3. Maximum ambient operating relative humidity should not exceed 80% at 31°C decreasing linearly to 50% relative humidity at 40°C.

SET UP INSTRUCTIONS

1. Place the unit on a level, dry bench or surface.

2. Plug the unit into a properly grounded, three-wire outlet of proper voltage.

3. Plug the temperature probe (if used) into the jack on the rear of the unit.

4. Connect the dry purge gas to the rear of the unit (see pg 7 above for fitting information). Purge at slightly above room air pressure.

5. Place the sample on the heater plate and put the temperature probe (if used) into the sample container.

6. Turn on the unit by the key on the front panel. The unit will beep once and the display will light up. At this point the user can set or view any of the parameters of the unit.

7. Set either the plate or probe target temperature, stirrer, timer, ramp rate, or program according to the instructions given in the following sections.

Note: Do not use this equipment in any manner not specified by the manufacturer.
Note: Ne pas utiliser cet équipement si vous ne pouves pas respecter les conditions d'utilisation spécifiées par le fabricant.

ENVIRONMENTAL INFORMATION

1. This unit is for installation category II.

2. This unit is rated pollution degree 2.

IX. DISPLAY AND KEYBOARD DESCRIPTIONS

DISPLAY

The display has three rows of numbers and some icons. From the top they are as follows.

Plate/Probe Temperature: The icon to the left of the numbers will switch from a picture of a probe in a vessel when the probe is in use to a flat surface with heat rays radiating up from the surface when the probe is removed and the plate surface is being controlled. The row of numbers to the right shows the temperature of either the plate or probe. These numbers are normally followed with ºC which denotes that the temperature reading is in degrees centigrade. However, the display can be made to read in degrees Fahrenheit by holding the HEATER OFF key depressed for 3 seconds. When a target temperature is set into the unit, the temperature values in the display will toggle from the target temperature to the actual temperature. When the actual temperature is displayed, the symbol to the left of the display will illuminate.

Stirrer: The HS70 stirrer will display the value of the stirrer in RPM with ñRPMò to the right of the numbers. The stirrer speed will be displayed at all times.

Ramp: When the RAMP key is depressed the ºC symbol to the right of the top line of the display with convert to ñºC/hrò. (The number value set in the display is always in degrees centigrade per hour). When the value is entered for a ramp, the word ñRAMPò will appear vertically on the left of the display and it will remain illuminated as long as a ramp value is being used. This tells the user that the target temperature as set for the probe or plate is moving from its starting point to the target temperature at a fixed rate in degrees centigrade per hour. The ºC/Hr icon will convert back to ºC and will be displaying only the actual and target temperatures set for either the plate or probe. To view the ramp rate set, depress RAMP.

Timer: The bottom line of the display is the timer. The timer is displayed and can be set to 99:59:59 maximum (99 hours, 59 minutes, 59 seconds). The timer will count down to zero from its setting and sound an audible alarm.

Auto-Off: The count-down timer can be used with an auto-off function that will turn off the heater and stirrer when the timer counts down to zero. This function is not for use in a program, but for use in non-programmed operation. When the AUTO-OFF key is depressed the words "AUTO-OFF" will appear to the right of the timer value set. When this function is actuated, the timer will count down to zero, sound the audible alarm, and turn the heater and stirrer off.

Program: The words PROG and a number value from 1 to 10 will be displayed to the left of the timer value when setting a program into memory.

KEYBOARD

Power Key: This key is for turning the power to the unit on and off.

Up/Down, Right/Left Arrows: The UP and DOWN arrows to the right of the display are used to set numeric values for the probe temperature, plate temperature, stirrer, ramp, timer, and progressing within the steps of a program when writing or editing the program. Pushing the RIGHT and LEFT arrows are for selecting the digit to be set.

Heater Key: Touch the HEATER key to select the value to be set into the heater plate or probe. Touch HEATER then the RIGHT/LEFT/UP/DOWN arrows to set the target temperature

Ramp Key: Touch the RAMP key is for selecting values to be entered into the ramp function. Touch RAMP then the UP/DOWN/RIGHT/LEFT arrows to set the ramp value. To turn off the ramp value set it to zero.

Stirrer Key (on units that have stirrers only): Touch the STIRRER key to set the value of the stirrer. Touch STIRRER then the UP/DOWN/RIGHT/LEFT arrows to set the STIRRER value.

Timer Key: The TIMER is for setting the value of the timer. Use the UP/DOWN/RIGHT/LEFT arrows to select the value to be set into the timer.

Auto-Off Key: Touching and releasing this key activates the AUTO-OFF function. It is used in conjunction with the count-down timer. When activated, this will shut off the heater and stirrer when the timer counts down to zero. This function can be turned off by touching the AUTO-OFF button at any time during a timed event. When activated, the words "AUTO-OFF" will be illuminated on the display.

Heater Off Key: Touching and releasing the HEATER OFF key will turn off the heater. The HEAT OFF button also is used to change the unit temperature display from ^{o}C to ^{o}F and vise-versa. Holding the key down for 3 seconds will cause the display to change.

Stirrer Off Key (on units with stirrers only): Touching and releasing the STIRRER OFF key will turn off the stirrer.

Edit Key: The EDIT key is used to enter the program memory to write or edit a program.

Cancel Key: The Cancel key is used to cancel a program step while writing or editing a program or to cancel any setting if made in error.

Run Key: The Run key is used to start running a program in memory.

Enter Key: The Enter key is for entering a value in manual operation or in a program.

X. SIMPLE OPERATION

The HS70 units are fully programmable. They provide the ability to write and store in memory ten programs of as many as ten steps each for instant recall and later use. Also, these units can be used to set a single temperature, temperature ramp, stirring speed and timer function without going into the memory. The memory is used for complex routines where all the parameters of the sample can be changed automatically to other values without user attention.

TEMPERATURE

A probe temperature or plate temperature is settable. Only temperature is allowed at one time. Setting a target probe temperature will erase any target plate temperature previously set and vice versa. Target temperatures may be set anywhere in the range from ambient to 450°C or 842ºF. The unit comes with the display reading in degrees C. To change to ºF depress and hold the HEATER OFF button until the display changes. To change back to ºC repeat the process.

Setting Solution Temperature: When setting a solution temperature plug the probe into the jack on the rear of the unit and place it into the solution. With the probe plugged in, the unit will only set and control the solution temperature as controlled by the probe. With the probe unplugged, only the plate surface temperature is sensed and controlled by the unit. Next, touch the HEATER button and use the UP, DOWN. RIGHT, LEFT arrows to enter the value of the temperature wanted. Then press ENTER. The unit will now turn the heater on and drive the solution to the target temperature. Note that the temperature display will toggle between the target and the actual temperatures. When the target temperature is reached, the display will still toggle but the numerical value will remain the same.

CAUTION: Be certain the temperature probe is in the solution when a solution temperature target has been entered. Failure to do so could damage your sample because the hot plate will drive to maximum while seeking a temperature it cannot find.

PRÉCAUTION D' EMPLOI: Bien vérifier que la sonde de température plonge dans le liquide et qu'elle est connectée dans la fiche située à l'arrière de l'appareil lorsque vous sélectionnez une température. L'échantillon risque d'être endommagé si la sonde n'est pas connectée car la plaque va monter au maximum de sa température en recherchant une température qui n'aura pas été.

Setting Plate Temperature: To set a plate temperature the probe must not be plugged into the rear of the unit. With the probe unplugged, the unit will control the plate surface using a sensor built into the heater plate and the display will show only the target and actual heater plate surface temperatures. To set the plate temperature press HEATER and then use the UP, DOWN, RIGHT, LEFT arrows to set the target temperature value into the display. Then press ENTER. The unit will now drive the plate surface to the target temperature while toggling the temperature display between the target and actual plate surface temperatures. When the target temperature is reached, the display will still toggle between the target and actual temperatures, but the display will read the same values.

Setting Ramp: **NOTE: IF A RAMP VALUE IS TO BE USED, THE RAMP VALUE MUST ALWAYS BE SET BEFORE SETTING A TARGET TEMPERATURE.** To set a ramp value, press the RAMP button. The display to the right of the temperature value will show ºC/Hr. Use the RIGHT, LEFT, UP, DOWN arrows to set the selected value of ramp rate in ºC/hr. After a target temperature is set the heater will now drive the temperature from its current value to the target temperature, either plate or solution, at the rate just instructed. The ramp value is always in degrees centigrade per hour even if the temperature display has been set to read in degrees F. The RAMP rate is settable from 1ºC/Hour to 450ºC/Hour. **Note that the unit will heat fastest when not using a ramp rate setting, even 450ºC/Hour. The ramp rate should only be used to slow the heating rate.**

The ramp can be set to go up to a target temperature or down from a higher temperature to a lower one. However, the unit can never ramp down any faster than the sample can cool naturally. When ramping down, the heater is used to slow a cooling rate only.

Setting Stirrer: To set a stirrer speed press STIRRER and the use the UP, DOWN, RIGHT, LEFT arrows to set the value of the stirrer speed into the display. Then press ENTER. The stirrer will now start to run and will display the speed in RPM on the second line of the display.

Setting Timer: To set a timer value press the TIMER button and use the UP, DOWN, RIGHT, LEFT arrows to set the value in hours, minutes and seconds. Then press the ENTER button. The timer will now start to count down toward zero. When the timer reaches zero it will sound the audible alarm. To stop the alarm press CANCEL.

Setting Auto-Off: The Auto-Off function is used with the timer. When activated, the unit will turn off the heater and stirrer when the timer counts down to zero. To set the auto-off function, press the AUTO-OFF button. The display will illuminate the words “AUTO-OFF” to the right of the timer telling the user that the auto-off function is set. To turn off the auto-off function, touch the AUTO-OFF button again. The words, “AUTO-OFF” will no longer be illuminated in the display. Remember that when AUTO-OFF is on, the unit will automatically turn off the heater and stirrer when the timer counts down to zero.

XI. PROGRAMMABLE OPERATION

The HS70 has the ability to store ten programs in memory for instant recall and use. Each program has ten steps maximum where one step is a temperature, stirring speed, ramp function (if wanted), and time. At the end of each program there is a cycle step that can be selected to repeat the program up to 98 times. Setting cycles to 99 makes the program repeat infinitely. These programs are stored in CMOS and cannot be lost by a power failure or by turning the unit off. However, if power fails during a program run, when power returns, the unit will have lost its instructions and will be sitting with the same information on the display as when the unit was first turned on. **To stop a program while it is running touch CANCEL.**

Some rules for programming:

To erase all programs in memory, depress the EDIT key for about 5 seconds. The display will be all blank. When the EDIT key is released, after a few seconds, the display will return to the normal screen and the programs will be erased. This erases *ALL* programs in memory. To change or erase one program go into the program and remove each step.

The timer can be used in two ways in a program. The timer can be used with a ramp function or without a ramp function. When the timer is used with a ramp function, the timer does not start to count down until the target temperature is reached. When the timer is used without a ramp function, the timer starts to count down as soon as the program starts. If the user wants a timed event to start after the target temperature is reached, but does not want to wait for a ramped approach to the target temperature to take place, set the ramp to 450. In almost all cases, this ramp rate is faster than the unit can approach the target temperature, and it will appear as though no ramp rate is being used, and the timer will start to count down after the target temperature is reached.

RUNNING A PROGRAM STORED IN MEMORY

1. Press RUN. The display will show PROG 1 at the bottom of the display to the left of the timer. This is program 1.
2. If program 1 is the choice to be run, next press ENTER. Program 1 will now start to run. If program 1 is not the choice use the UP ARROW to scroll to the program of choice. When the program is chosen, press ENTER and the program stored in that site will start to run. As the program starts to run, as the unit progresses through the steps in the program, the audible alarm will sound five times for each step as the program progresses. As the program moves through the steps in the program the current step will be displayed to the left of the timer.

HOW TO WRITE A PROGRAM

A program step is a temperature, stirring speed (if wanted), temperature ramp (if wanted), and a timer setting. Do not advance to the next step until the current one is complete.

1 Press EDIT
2 Select the program site (1 through 10) using the UP and DOWN ARROWS.
3 Touch ENTER. The display will show PROG 1 for program one step one.
4 Enter the ramp value if wanted (remember how the timer works with and without a ramp function) and push the ENTER button. Then enter a temperature and push the ENTER button, and stirring speed and the ENTER button, and the time function for that step and ENTER button. This step is now finished.
5 Press the UP ARROW to go to step 2. The display will show 2 for program step two. Now enter the values for ramp, temperature, stirrer and timer being certain to hit ENTER after each. Step 2 is now complete.
6 Repeat the steps above until the program is written.

Note: If a mistake is made while entering a program step, just hit CANCEL on that step and make the new entry. To go back to a prior program step, hit the DOWN ARROW. Likewise, to go forward to another program step, hit the UP ARROW.

7 After the last program step data has been entered, press ENTER twice. The display will now show CYC 01. If only one cycle of the program is needed, hit ENTER. If more than one cycle of the program is wanted, use the UP ARROW to go to the number of cycles wanted. For example, twenty cycles would appear on the display as CYC 20. Then press ENTER again and the program is written and stored for use.

8 To run a program, press RUN, the display will show PROG 1. To run program 1, press ENTER. To select and run a different program, use the UP ARROW to scroll to the program to be run, and press ENTER.

XII. TEMPERATURE CALIBRATION

The HS70 designed for accuracy. The temperature calibration is made to hold for very long periods of time. When calibrated in the factory, it is expected that the unit will meet the most demanding customers' requirements. However, our standards for temperature measurement may not be the same as the users. Therefore, the HS70 has been designed to be calibrated in the field by the user. Follow the instructions below if calibration is wanted or needed.

Note: To calibrate, the unit the user is advised to remove all previously entered calibration data. To erase the calibration and return to not calibrated readings, press and hold the HEATER button for three seconds until the display reads CAL. Then press and hold the CANCEL button for three seconds until the second beep. Calibration is erased independently for the probe and the plate depending upon whether the probe is plugged in or not.

PROBE CALIBRATION

Probe calibration is performed by using an accessory calibration kit which precisely simulates fixed temperature points. The kit has two dummy probes which, when plugged into the probe jack, represent the value of resistance equal to the temperature shown on the dummy probe. The dummy probes represent temperatures of 25°C and 400°C. These are the probe calibration points. The kit is available from the manufacturer (HS30-700).

To calibrate the probe temperature, follow these steps.

1. Insert the 25°C dummy probe in the probe jack at the rear of the unit. Depress and hold the HEATER button for 3 seconds until the display reads CAL. Then press ENTER. Then use the UP/DOWN/RIGHT/LEFT arrows to make the display read 25ºC. Then press ENTER. The probe low calibration point is now calibrated.

2. Remove the 25°C dummy probe and replace it with the 400°C dummy probe. Depress and hold the HEATER button for 3 seconds until the display reads CAL. Then press ENTER. Use the UP/DOWN/RIGHT/LEFT arrows to make the display read 400°C. Then press ENTER. The probe high calibration point is now set.
3. Remove the dummy probe. The probe calibration is now complete.

PLATE CALIBRATION

The plate calibration does not affect the probe calibration and vice versa. If you are using the probe temperature control loop only, it is not necessary to calibrate the plate loop. The plate loop has been factory calibrated and is not likely to change.

To calibrate the plate, an accurate digital temperature meter and a surface temperature probe are needed. This is a very difficult measurement to make, and not all surface temperature probes will do the job well. If you need help, please contact the factory. The Plate and Probe calibration kit #HS30-800 is available from the factory and will contain the temperature meter, probe, and dummy probes for the probe calibration.

The plate surface calibration procedure cannot be done with the temperature probe plugged into the rear of the unit. The calibration starts at the low temperatures and goes high. It is time consuming. Before making an adjustment, be sure that the plate temperature has stabilized at the point being calibrated. That often takes 20 to 30 minutes after the target temperature is initially reached. Follow the procedure below.

1. Start at room temperature. Using your temperature meter, read the plate surface temperature in the center of the heater plate. Press and hold the HEATER button for 3 seconds until the display reads CAL. Then press the ENTER button. Use the UP/DOWN/RIGHT/LEFT arrows to input the temperature measured for the plate surface. Then press the ENTER button. The plate low calibration point is set.

2. Set the PLATE temperature to 350°C. The plate will start to heat. Give the unit ample time to reach and stabilize at 350°C. When the temperature is stable, measure the plate temperature with your meter. Press and hold the HEATER button for three seconds until the display reads CAL. Then press the ENTER button. Use the UP/DOWN/RIGHT/LEFT arrows as needed to make the plate temperature display read what is measured on your meter. Then press the ENTER button.

3. Let the unit cool back to room temperature. It will take some time. You can speed the process by using a fan to help cool the plate. After about an hour measure the plate surface temperature again. Then reset the plate temperature to what the meter reads as was done in step 1 above.

The plate surface calibration is now complete.

XIII. CLEANING AND MAINTENANCE

Cleaning

These units are subject to splashes and spills during normal use. Be sure to clean all spills quickly. Wipe spills with a soft cloth or paper towel. If a cleaning solution is necessary, use a mild soap or detergent solution and a soft cloth. Be sure not to use solvents. They could damage the paint, labels or display window on the unit. A mild abrasive can be used to clean the ceramic glass heater surface.

CAUTION: Do not attempt to clean the heater surface when it is hot. Burns could occur.

PRÉCAUTION D'EMPLOI: Ne pas nettoyer la surface de la plaque lorqu'elle est chaude pour éviter toute brûlure accidentelle.

Maintenance

There is no ongoing maintenance program needed with this unit other than the normal care and cleaning as instructed above and a simple inspection done whenever the unit is to be used. This simple inspection should include:

1- Checking that the AC line cord is not frayed or burned.
2- Checking that the unit is not dirty to a point where proper performance is impaired. This is especially important relative to the membrane switch and LCD window.
3- Store the unit properly when not in use in an area that will not have items placed on top of the unit. Cover the unit in a way that will keep dirt and other foreign bodies out.

XIV. ADDITIONAL SYMBOLS

The following are additional symbols found on the labels of the instrument.

Symbol	Description
V	Voltage
~	Alternating Current
A	Current
Hz	Frequency
W	Power
F	Fast Acting Fuse
T	Time Delay Fuse
I	Mains On
O	Mains Off

XV. RS232 SERIAL INTERFACE SPECIFICATION (See the following pages)