

PASPORT AirLink SI (Sensor Interface)

PS-2005





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Antenna	540-002

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Note: Charge for at least four hours prior to first use

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Maximizing Battery Life

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- Disconnect from the computer between data collection episodes;
- Turn off the sensor interface when not in use;
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To connect to the PASPORT AirLink SI:

- 1. Power on the interface the amber light will slowly blink when the unit is turned on.
- 2. See the Data Studio or ImagiProbe® manual for directions on establishing a wireless connection to the interface. Once a connection has been made the amber light will blink more quickly

Note: Each PASPORT AirLink SI has a unique ID (e.g., IPSI-40381), which is printed on a label on the bottom of the interface. Use this ID to select the correct interface when connecting.

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If you are using analog sensors with the optional analog adapter, you may need to install calibrations appropriate for the sensors you wish to use. If your are using the sensor interface with a palmOne handheld computer, you can select sensors and calibrations from a sensor database provided on the installation CD. Install these sensors and calibrations using a standard HotSync procedure.

Plugging in a Sensor

- **1.** Align the notch on the PASPORT AirLink SI with the groove on the sensor or sensor plug.
- **2.** Orient the pins on the mini DIN connector of the PASPORT sensor to the holes on the sensor interface.
- Plug the sensor into the mini DIN receptacle on the top of the sensor interface

Model No. PS-2005 Troubleshooting

Troubleshooting

Problem	Solution
Sensor interface drops connection	You may be out of range. Move the computer closer to the sensor interface and try to reconnect.
Software does not see sensor interface	Check interface is powered on; Confirm interface is within range; Make sure interface isn't already connected to another computer (see Status LEDs table).
Software does not see sensor attached to sensor interface	Confirm you are connected to sensor interface; Make sure sensor is firmly connected to sensor interface; Turn interface off and back on. (you will need to reconnect).
LED is stuck on	Turn the sensor interface off and back on.

Specifications

Compatibility	Windows, Macintosh, and Palm-Powered handheld computers with Bluetooth support
Wireless Range	10 meters
Sampling Rate	up to 1Khz (varies by software application and sensor)
Battery	4 hours to fully charge; 8 hours collection per charge

Technical Support

Before you call PASCO technical support, have the apparatus and this user's guide available. Please note the following:

- DataStudio/ImagiProbe version;
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If the sensor interface does cause interference to radio or television reception, try to correct the interference by using one or more of the following remedies:

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Limited Warranty

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