

Moisture meter

# Operating Manual

## humimeter MS4

### Road salt moisture meter

for measuring the moisture content of road salt



78,0 °F | 6,16% | 456kg/m<sup>3</sup> | -27,3td | 0,64aw | 51,9%r.H. | 14,8%abs | 100,4g/m<sup>2</sup> | 09m/s | 4,90Ug/L | 1

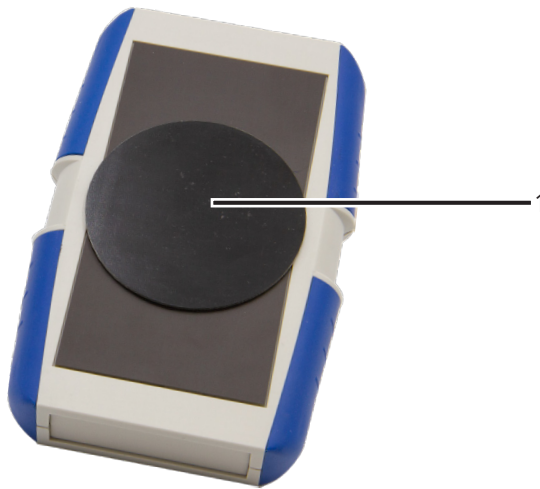
## Your humimeter MS4 at a glance

### The main unit



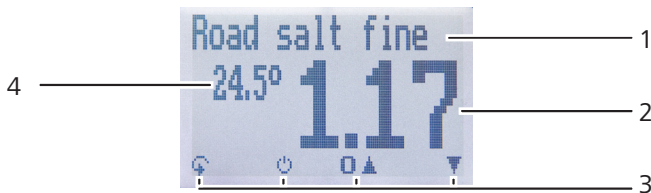
No.	Name
1	USB port (for charging the battery)
2	Display
3	Keypad
4	Charging-LED

## Rear of the main unit






















No.	Name
1	Sensor surface

## The display



No.	Name
1	Product type
2	Moisture Content in % (see <a href="#">7.1 How moisture content is defined</a> )
3	Display symbols
4	Temperature display

## The display symbols

Symbol	Name	Symbol	Name
	Enter		Change input level
	Up		OK
	Down		Change menu
	Back		Enter data
	Enter numbers		View measurements
	Enter letters		Delete measurements
	Continue / go right		On/off button, display light
	Left		Save measured value
	Yes		Hold function
	No		

## The menus

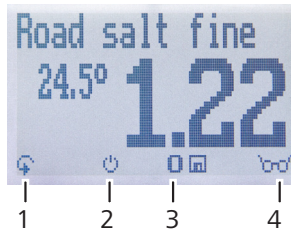
The device has three different menus: Data Log, product selection and main menu:

### Product selection menu



No.	Name
1	Change menu
2	Display illumination / device on/off
3	For changing the product type

## Data Log menu



No.	Name
1	Change menu
2	Save measured value / device on/off
3	Display illumination
4	Show the last recorded values

## Main menu

The main menu comprises the following menu items:

- **Edit Logs:**  
Manual Logs, Clear Logs
- **Print Logs:**  
Last Log, All Logs, Clear Logs
- **Send Logs:**  
Manual Logs, Clear Logs
- **Options:**  
Bluetooth, Date/Time, Log Time, Reinitialize, Language, Unlock, °C/°F, Userlevel, BL On Time, Auto Off Time, Adjust, Materialcalib., Password, Reset
- **Status**

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## 1. Introduction

### 1.1 Information about this operating manual

This operating manual is designed to enable you to use the humimeter MS4 safely and effectively. It is part of the device, has to be stored nearby and must be easily accessible to users at all times.

All users are required to carefully read and make sure that they have understood this operating manual before using the humimeter MS4. All of the safety and operating instructions detailed in this manual have to be observed to ensure the safety of the device.

### 1.2 Limitation of liability

All of the information and instructions provided in this operating manual have been compiled on the basis of the current standards and regulations, the state of the art, and the extensive expertise and experience of Schaller Messtechnik GmbH.

Schaller Messtechnik GmbH does not accept any liability for damage associated with the following, which also voids the warranty:

- Non-observance of this operating manual
- Improper use
- Inadequately qualified users
- Unauthorised modifications
- Technical changes
- Use of unapproved spare parts

This fast measuring procedure can be affected by a range of different factors. For this reason, we recommend periodically checking the device's measurements with a standardised oven-drying method.

We, as the manufacturer, do not accept any liability for any incorrect measurements and associated consequential damage.

### 1.3 Symbols used in this manual

All of the safety information provided in this manual is shown with a corresponding symbol.



#### **CAUTION**

It is essential to observe this warning. Non-compliance can lead to injury.



#### **ATTENTION**

It is essential to observe this warning. Non-compliance can lead to damage to property or equipment.



#### **Information**

This symbol indicates important information that enables users to use the device more efficiently and cost effectively.

### 1.4 Customer service

For technical advice, please contact our customer service department at

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## 2. For your safety

The device complies with the following European directives:

- Restriction of Hazardous Substances in Electrical and Electronic Equipment (RoHS)
- Electromagnetic compatibility (EMC)

The device corresponds to state-of-the-art technology. However, it is still associated with a number of residual hazards.

These hazards can be avoided through strict observance of our safety information.

### 2.1 Proper use

- Easy to use device for quickly measuring the moisture content of road salt
- The device must only be used for taking measurements on the products defined in the following sections of this manual (see [7. Product types](#)).

### 2.2 Improper use

- The device must not be used in ATEX.

### 2.3 User qualifications

The device must only be operated by people who can be expected to reliably take the measurements. The device must not be operated by people whose reaction times may be slowed due to, e.g. the use of drugs, alcohol or medication.

All persons using this device must have read, understood and follow the instructions provided in the operating manual.

## 2.4 General safety information

The following safety information has to be observed at all times to avoid damage to objects and injury to people:

- Please contact your dealer if any parts of the device have become loose or damaged.

All of the device's technical features have been inspected and tested before delivery. Every device has a serial number. Do not remove the tag with the serial number.

## 2.5 Warranty

The warranty does not apply to:

- Damage resulting from non-observance of the operating manual
- Damage resulting from third-party interventions
- Products that have been used improperly or modified without authorisation
- Products with missing or damaged warranty seals
- Damage resulting from force majeure, natural disasters, etc.
- Damage from improper cleaning
- Batteries older than six months

# 3. On receipt of your device

## 3.1 Taking the device out of its packaging

- Take the device out of its packaging.
- Next, make sure that it is not damaged and that no parts are missing.

## 3.2 Making sure that all of the components have been included

Make sure that all of the components have been included by checking the package contents against the following list:

- humimeter MS4
- USB mini-B cable
- USB stick with software
- Wooden case (incl. test plate)


- humimeter USB data interface module - USB flash drive with software and USB-cable or download using [humimeter.com/software](http://humimeter.com/software)
- Operating manual

Optional accessories:

- Thermal printer with rechargeable battery (described in a separate operating manual)
- Bluetooth module (described in a separate operating manual)

## 4. Using the device - Basics






### 4.1 Switching the device on

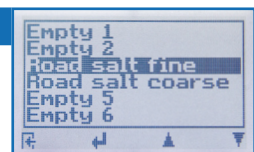
- Press the  button for 3 seconds.
  - » The display will then show the status indicator (see [9. Checking the device's status](#)) for about 3 seconds.

### 4.2 Selecting the product type

**To do so:** The device has to be in the product selection menu.

For an overview of the different product types and the criteria for selecting them, please refer to [7. Product types](#)

1. Press the  or  button to move from one product type to the next Or
2. Press the  or  button for 2 seconds to open the product type overview (figure 1).
3. Use the arrow keys to move from one product type to the next
4. and keep any of them pressed to scroll through the types.
5. Confirm your selection by pressing .
  - » The product type you selected will now be shown at the top of the display.




## 4.3 Taking a measurement

- For information on how to take a measurement, see section 5. The measuring process.

## 4.4 Switching the device off



**To do so:** The device has to be in the product selection or Data Log menu. It is not possible to switch off the device when it is in the main menu.

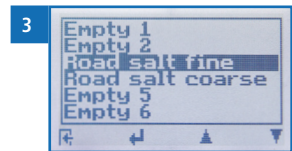
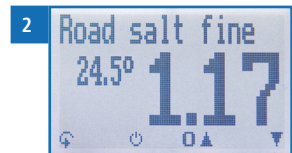
- Press the  button for 2 seconds.

# 5. The measuring process

## 5.1 Preparing a measurement

**To do so:** The device has to have nearly the same temperature as the product to measure. It is recommended to let your humimeter device adjust to the surrounding temperature of the paper before the measurement.

- Switch the device on (see 4.1 Switching the device on).
- Select the desired product type (see 7. Product types) by pressing the  or  button (see 4.2 Selecting the product type).



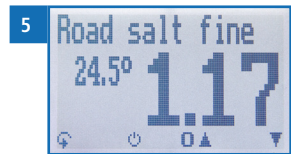
## 5.2 Taking a measurement

**To do so:** The material to be measured has to have a minimum thickness of 50 mm and the device has to have nearly the same temperature than the product being measured.

1. Take hold of the device with one hand and press it onto the top of the material to be measured with a pressure of approx. 4 kg (figure 4).
  - » When doing so, the sensor surface (black area at the bottom of the device) must be firmly resting on the material to be measured.
  - » Conductive materials in the measuring range of the device will have a negative effect on the accuracy of the measurement.



2. The device will now instantly display the moisture content on the display (figure 5).
3. For an average moisture content reading, simply take multiple measurements.
  - » Once the reading has been taken, it can be saved on the device (see 6. Saving your readings).



### **i** Information - Measuring accuracy

This rapid and non-destructive measuring procedure allows you to quickly take moisture readings at a number of different points. When saving the individual readings, the device will automatically calculate the readings' average (see 6.2.2 Saving several readings (a measurement series) at the same time).

### **i** Information - Incorrect readings

Always make sure to select the correct product type for the material you are measuring. This prevents taking incorrect readings (see 12. Faults).













## 6. Saving your readings

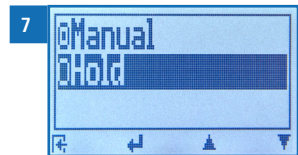
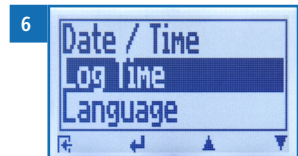
### 6.1 Hold function - Freezing the displayed values

The device can be configured in such a way that the information being shown on the display will freeze at the touch of a button until a new button is pressed. This function can be very useful when e.g. taking readings in spaces where it is not possible to see the display (e.g. overhead).

#### 6.1.1 Activating the hold function in the options menu



**To do so:** The device has to be switched on and be in the Data Log menu.

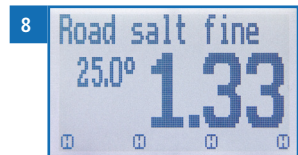
1. Press  twice or hold for 2 seconds.
  2. Select **Options**. To do so, press  or  and confirm by pressing .
  3. Select **Log Time** (figure 6). To do so, press  or  and confirm by pressing .
  4. Select **Hold** (figure 7). To do so, press  or  and confirm by pressing .
- » The setting has been saved.
5. Press  to leave the **Options** menu.
  6. Press  to leave the main menu.



#### 6.1.2 Using the hold function

**To do so:** The device has to be switched on and be in the Data Log menu.

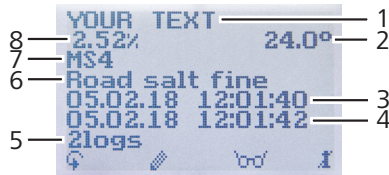
- Press .
- » The current reading will be frozen. All of the four symbols will now be displayed as  (figure 8).
- To reactivate the frozen display, simply press any button.





## 6.2 Saving your readings manually

All of the readings can be saved, edited and viewed on the device. The figure below shows the overview screen of a single saved series of measurements.













No.	Name
1	Name of the measurement series (editable)
2	Temperature (average)
3	Date & start time of the measurement series
4	Date & end time of the measurement series
5	Number of saved readings
6	Product type
7	Device name
8	Moisture content (average)

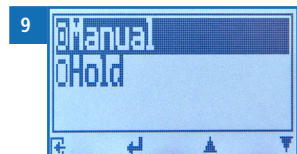
### 6.2.1 Saving individual readings



The device can be configured in such a way that the device will save a reading every time a button is pressed. This option (manual saving function) is the device's default setting.

#### Activating the manual saving function in the options menu

**To do so:** The device has to be switched on and be in the product selection menu.



- Press  twice or hold for 2 seconds.
- Select **Options**. To do so, press  or  and confirm by pressing .
- Select **Log Time**. To do so, press  or  and confirm by pressing .
- Select **Manual** (figure 9). To do so, press  or  and confirm by pressing .

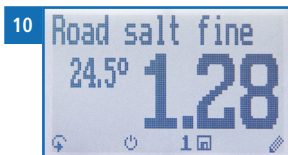




- » The setting has been saved.
5. Press  to leave the **Options** menu.
  6. Press  to leave the main menu.

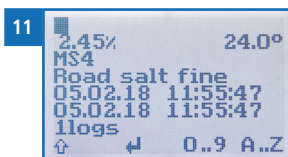
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





**To do so:** The device has to be in the Data Log menu (see "Data Log menu" page 5).

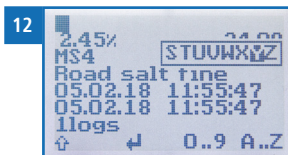
1. Press .
  - » The display will now appear as shown in figure 10 and the disc symbol will be preceded by the digit one.
2. Press  to enter a name for the saved reading and to finish the measuring process.
  - » The display will now appear as shown in figure 11.



3. The data you have inputted can be overwritten at any time.
4. **Inputting letters:**  
Press and hold  to quickly scroll to the required letter and either press it for 3 seconds or press  to confirm the selected letter (figure 12).












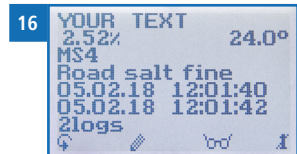
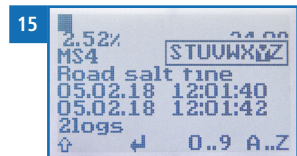
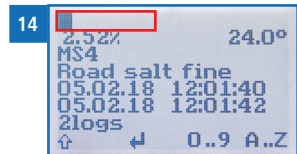
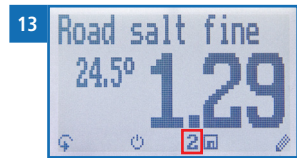
5. **Inputting numbers:**  
Press and hold  to quickly scroll to the required number and either press it for 3 seconds or press  to confirm the selected number.
6. **Moving forward/back:**  
Press  to switch to another input level. Press  or  to move forward or back.
7. Confirm your entry by pressing .
  - » The data you entered has been saved.



## 6.2.2 Saving several readings (a measurement series) at the same time





**To do so:** The device has to be in the Data Log menu (see "Data Log menu" page 5).

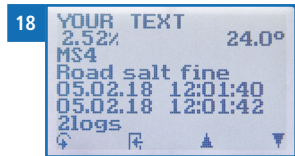
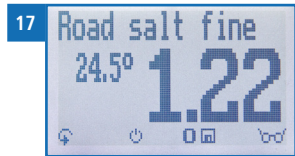
1. Take several readings (see 5. The measuring process).
2. To save a reading, press  as soon as the reading has been taken.
  - » The display will now appear as shown in figure 13. The marked number shows the number of readings that have already been saved.
3. Press  to enter a name for the saved series of measurements and to finish the measuring process.
  - » The display will now appear as shown in figure 14.
4. The data you have inputted can be overwritten at any time.
5. **Inputting letters:**  
 Press and hold **A..Z** to quickly scroll to the required letter and either press it for 3 seconds or press  to confirm the selected letter (figure 15).
6. **Inputting numbers:**  
 Press and hold **0..9** to quickly scroll to the required number and either press it for 3 seconds or press  to confirm the selected number.
7. **Moving forward/back:**  
 Press  to switch to another input level. Press  or  to move forward or back.
8. Press  to leave the number or letter row.
9. Confirm your entry by pressing .
  - » The data you entered has been saved.



### 6.3 Viewing individual readings








**To do so:** You must have saved a reading (e.g. **1 log**). The display will now appear as shown in figure 17.

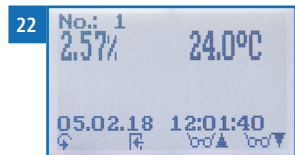
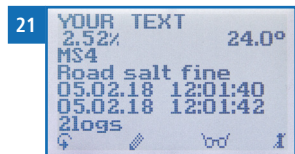
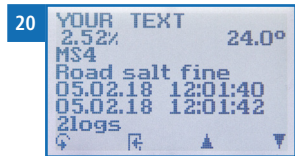
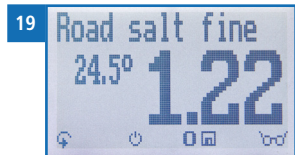
1. Press .
2. Select the required reading. To do so, press  or .
  - » The display will now appear as shown in figure 18
  - » Press  to leave this screen.



### 6.4 Viewing individual readings from a series of measurements











**To do so:** You must have saved a series of measurements (e.g. **3 logs**). The display will now appear as shown in figure 19.

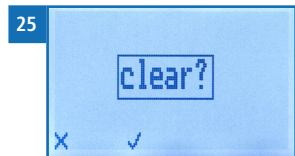
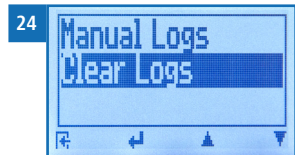
1. Press .
2. Navigate to the required measurement series. To do so, press  or .
  - » The display will now appear as shown in figure 20.
3. Press  to switch to another input level.
  - » The display will now appear as shown in figure 21.
4. Press  again.
  - » The display will now appear as shown in figure 22.
5. Navigate to the required reading (**No.: 1, No.: 2, No.: 3**). To do so, press .
6. Press  to leave this screen.



## 6.5 Deleting all measured values (data log)






**To do so:** You must have taken and saved one or several readings.

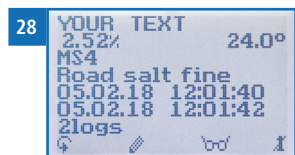
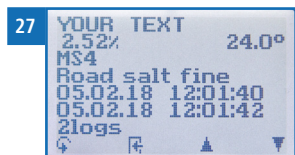
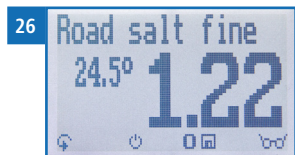
1. Press  twice or hold for 2 seconds.
2. Select **Edit Logs** (figure 23). To do so, press  or  and confirm by pressing .
3. Select **Clear Logs** (figure 24). To do so, press  or  and confirm by pressing .
4. The display will then show the message **clear?** (figure 25).
5. Confirm by pressing .
  - » The data log has been deleted.
6. Press  to leave the **Edit Logs** menu.
7. Press  to leave the main menu.




## 6.6 Deleting individual measurement series

**To do so:** You must have saved a measured value (e.g. **1 log**) or a series of measurements (e.g. **3 logs**). The display will now appear as shown in figure 26.

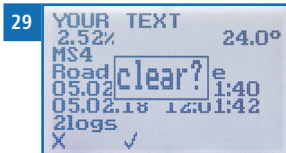
1. Press .
2. Select the required reading. To do so, press  or .
  - » The display will now appear as shown in figure 27.
3. Press  to switch to another input level.
  - » The display will now appear as shown in figure 28.
4. Press .



- » The display will then show the message **clear?** (figure 29).

5. Confirm by pressing .



- » The value has been deleted.




## 6.7 Deleting individual values from a single series of measurements

**To do so:** You must have saved a series of measurements comprising at least 2 logs. The display will now appear as shown in figure 30.

1. Press .

2. Select the required reading. To do so, press  or .



- » The display will now appear as shown in figure 31.


3. Press  to switch to another input level.

- » The display will now appear as shown in figure 32.

4. Press .

5. The display will now appear as shown in figure 33.


6. Select the required measured value. To do so, press  or .

7. Press  to switch to another input level.

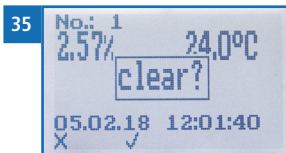
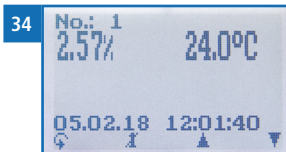
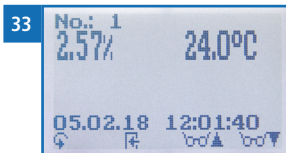
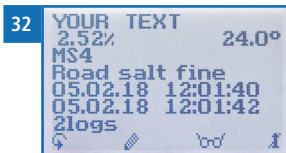
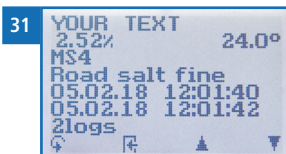
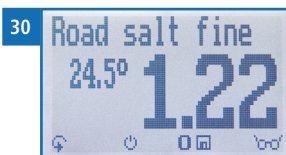
- » The display will now appear as shown in figure 34.

8. Press  to delete the value shown.

- » The display will then show the message "clear?" (figure 35).

9. Confirm by pressing .

- » The value has been deleted.



## 7. Product types

Product type	Material to be measured	Grain size	Measuring range
Empty 1	Free curve for special products		
Empty 2	Free curve for special products		
Road salt fine	Suitable for the standard Salinen de-icing salt (NaCl)!	< 1.5 mm	0.00 % - 3.00 %
Road salt coarse	For coarse road salt	> 1.5 mm	0.00 % - 3.00 %
Empty 5	Free curve for special products		
Empty 6	Free curve for special products		
Reference	! Only for testing the moisture meter !		

### 7.1 How moisture content is defined

The device measures and shows a material's moisture content. The moisture content readings it displays are calculated in relation to the material's overall mass:

$$\%WG = \frac{M_n - M_t}{M_n} \times 100$$

$M_n$ : Mass of the sample with average moisture content

$M_t$ : Mass of the sample with zero moisture content

%WG: Moisture content

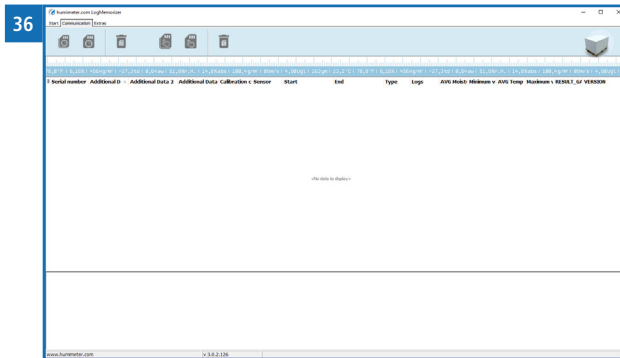
## 8. Using the LogMemorizer program

**To do so:** The device is provided with USB interface, and the USB stick with LogMemorizer software and USB cable are available. Otherwise, you can also install the software at [humimeter.com/software](http://humimeter.com/software) or by scanning the QR code.



### 8.1 Installing/Opening the program

1. Insert the USB stick with the LogMemorizer program into the USB port on your computer or
  - » download the LogMemorizer software at [humimeter.com/software](http://humimeter.com/software) or use the QR code.
2. Open the **setup** application.
3. Follow the installation instructions.
4. Open LogMemorizer.
  - » The screen will now display the LogMemorizer's interface (figure 36).



- » Before using LogMemorizer, please refer to the the separate LogMemorizer operation manual for the correct configuration of the USB COM Port.

For more information on LogMemorizer, please refer to the separate LogMemorizer operating manual supplied with the device.










## 8.2 Exporting measured values to a computer

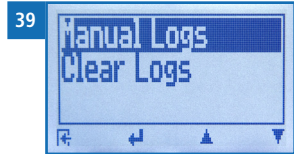
**To do so:** LogMemorizer must be installed. And you must have taken and saved one or several moisture readings.

**Options:** You can export moisture readings from the humimeter MS4 or initiate the export at your computer.

### Exporting moisture readings from the humimeter MS4

Connect the humimeter MS4 to your computer using the supplied USB cable.

1. Insert the USB Mini B connector into the humimeter MS4 as (figure 37).
2. Insert the USB connector into the computer.
3. Open LogMemorizer on your computer.
4. Switch on the humimeter MS4.
5. Press  twice or hold for 2 seconds.
6. Select **Send Logs** (figure 38). To do so, press  or  and confirm by pressing .
7. Select **Manual Logs** (figure 39). To do so, press  or  and confirm by pressing .
8. The display will then show the message **Send** (figure 40).
  - » All of the measuring values saved on the humimeter MS4 will now be sent to your computer.



### Initiating the data export at your computer

Connect the humimeter MS4 to your computer using the supplied USB cable.

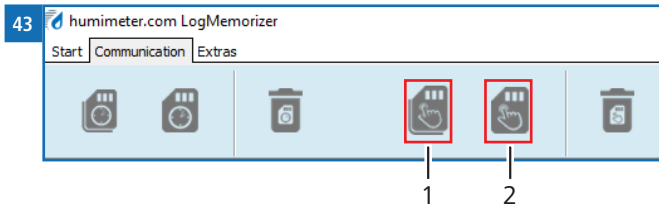
1. Insert the USB Mini B connector into the humimeter MS4 (figure 41).
2. Insert the USB connector into the computer.
3. Open LogMemorizer on your computer.



4. Switch on the humimeter MS4.
5. Open the **Communication** tab in LogMemorizer (figure 42).







6. Select and click on one of the buttons shown in figure 43:
  - » **Import all manual logs** (for importing all manually saved readings)
  - » **Import most recent manual log** (for importing the most recent manually saved logs)

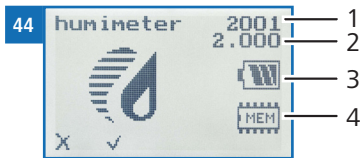


No.	Name
1	Import all manual logs
2	Import most recent manual log



- » The measuring values saved on the humimeter MS4 will now be sent to your computer.

## 9. Checking the device's status

1. Press  twice or hold for 2 seconds.
2. Select **Status**. To do so, press  or  and confirm by pressing .
  - » The display will then show the status indicator **humimeter**.
  - » The display will show the following information (figure 44):



No.	Name
1	Serial number
2	Software version
3	Battery status
4	Memory status








3. Confirm by pressing .
4. Press  to leave the main menu.

## 10. Configuring the device

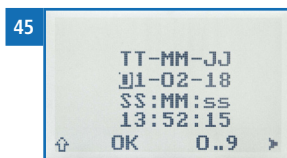
### 10.1 Turning on Bluetooth



The information on Bluetooth is provided in a separate operating manual.

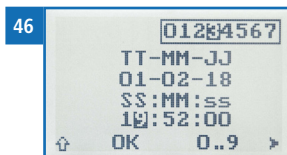
### 10.2 Adjusting the date/time






1. Press  twice or hold for 2 seconds.
2. Select **Options**. To do so, press  or  and confirm by pressing .
3. Select **Date/Time**. To do so, press  or  and confirm by pressing .

- » The display will now appear as shown in **figure 45**.
- » The format for the date is **DD-MM-YY** (Day-Month-Year).
- » The format for the time is **hh:mm:ss** (hour:minutes:seconds).



4. **Inputting numbers:**  
Press and hold  to quickly scroll to the required number and either press it for 3 seconds or press  to confirm the selected number (figure 46).















5. **Moving forward:**  
To move forward between **DD-MM-YY** and **hh:mm:ss**, press .
6. **Moving back:**  
Press  to switch to another input level. To move backward between **DD-MM-YY** and **hh:mm:ss**, press .
7. Confirm the date/time by pressing **OK**.
  - » The settings have been saved.
8. Press  to leave the **Options** menu.
9. Press  to leave the main menu.

## 10.3 Calibrating the device










The calibration of the moisture meter is described in point 11.4 Calibrating the device.

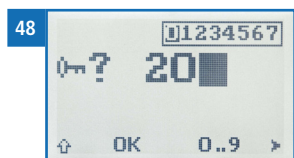
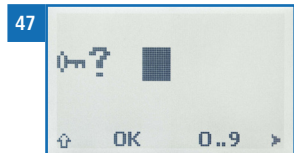
## 10.4 Selecting a language

1. Press  twice or hold for 2 seconds.
2. Select **Options**. To do so, press  or  and confirm by pressing .
3. Select **Language**. To do so, press  or  and confirm by pressing .
4. Navigate to the required language. To do so, press  or  and confirm by pressing .
  - » The setting has been saved.
5. Press  to leave the **Options** menu.
6. Press  to leave the main menu.


## 10.5 Activation options


**To do so:** Some of the options must be deactivated.

1. Press  twice or hold for 2 seconds.
2. Select **Options**. To do so, press  or  and confirm by pressing .
3. Select **Unlock**. To do so, press  or  and confirm by pressing .
  - » The display will now appear as shown in figure 47.
  - » On delivery, the four-digit password is the device's serial number.
4. **Inputting numbers:**  
 Press and hold  to quickly scroll to the required number and either press it for 3 seconds or press  to confirm the selected number (figure 48).



5. **Moving back:**

Press  to switch to another input level.


To move back, press .

6. Confirm the four-digit password by pressing **OK**.

» The setting has been saved.

» The **°C/°F**, **Userlevel**, **BL On Time**, **Auto Off Time**, **Adjust**, **Materialcalib.**, **Password**, **Reset** options are now activated.

7. Press  to leave the **Options** menu.


8. Press  to leave the main menu.

## 10.6 Deactivating options

Once the device has been restarted, the **°C/°F**, **Userlevel**, **BL On Time**, **Auto Off Time**, **Adjust**, **Materialcalib.**, **Password**, **Reset** options will be deactivated again.




## 10.7 Selecting °C/°F

**To do so:** All of the options must be activated (see [10.5 Activation options](#)).

1. Press  twice or hold for 2 seconds.

2. Select **Options**. To do so, press  or  and confirm by pressing .

3. Select **°C/°F**. To do so, press  or  and confirm by pressing .

4. Navigate to the required temperature scale, i.e. Celsius (°C) or Fahrenheit (°F). To do so, press  or  and confirm by pressing .

» The setting has been saved.










5. Press  to leave the **Options** menu.

6. Press  to leave the main menu.

## 10.8 Changing the Userlevel








### 10.8.1 Changing from advanced to simplified user

**To do so:** All of the options must be activated (see [10.5 Activation options](#)).

1. Press  twice or hold for two seconds.
2. Select **Options**. To do so, press  or  and confirm by pressing .
3. Select **Userlevel**. To do so, press  or  and confirm by pressing .
  - » The simplified user is now activated.
4. Press  to leave the **Options** menu.
5. Press  to leave the main menu.

### 10.8.2 Changing from simplified to advanced user













**To do so:** The device has to be turned off.

1. Switch on the device (see [4.1 Switching the device on](#)).
2. While switching on, keep both the  and  buttons pressed.
  - » The display will now show the main menu.
3. Activate all of the options (see [10.5 Activation options](#)).
4. Select **Userlevel**. To do so, press  or  and confirm by pressing .
  - » The advanced user is now activated.
5. Press  to leave the **Options** menu.
6. Press  to leave the main menu.

## 10.9 Reducing the device's power consumption













### 10.9.1 Configuring the display illumination time

**To do so:** All of the options must be activated (see [10.5 Activation options](#)).

1. Press  twice or hold for 2 seconds.
2. Select **Options**. To do so, press  or  and confirm by pressing .
3. Select **BL On Time**. To do so, press  or  and confirm by pressing .
4. Select the required display illumination period (30 seconds, 2 minutes, 5 minutes, 10 minutes). To do so, press  or  and confirm by pressing .
- » The setting has been saved.
5. Press  to leave the **Options** menu.
6. Press  to leave the main menu.

### 10.9.2 Configuring automatic switch-off

**To do so:** All of the options must be activated (see [10.5 Activation options](#)).

1. Press  twice or hold for 2 seconds.
2. Select **Options**. To do so, press  or  and confirm by pressing .
3. Select **Auto Off Time**. To do so, press  or  and confirm by pressing .
4. Select the period of time you want the device to stay switched on (3 minutes, 5 minutes, 10 minutes). To do so, press  or  and confirm by pressing .
- » The setting has been saved.
5. Press  to leave the **Options** menu.
6. Press  to leave the main menu.











## 10.10 Configuring the material calibration function


The material calibration function is described in a separate operating manual.


## 10.11 Changing the password



**To do so:** All of the options must be activated (see 10.5 Activation options).

1. Press  twice or hold for 2 seconds.
2. Select **Options**. To do so, press  or  and confirm by pressing .
3. Select **Password**. To do so, press  or  and confirm by pressing .
  - » The display will show the current password.
4. Overwrite the current password. To do so, press and hold **0..9** to quickly scroll to the required number and either press it for 3 seconds or press , to confirm the selected number.

### Moving back:








Press  to switch to another input level.

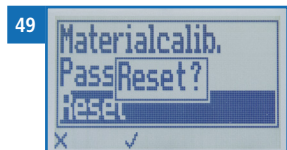
To move back, press .


5. Confirm the new four-digit password by pressing **OK**.
  - » The setting has been saved.
6. Press  to leave the **Options** menu.
7. Press  to leave the main menu.

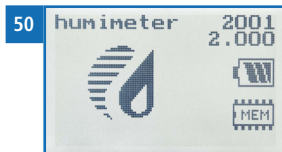
## 10.12 Resetting the device to its factory settings

**To do so:** All of the options must be activated (see 10.5 Activation options).

1. Press  twice or hold for 2 seconds.
2. Select **Options**. To do so, press  or  and confirm by pressing .
3. Select **Reset**. To do so, press  or  and confirm by pressing .
  - » The display will then show the message **Reset?** (figure 49).



4. Confirm by pressing .
  - » The device will now be reset to its factory settings. All of your personal settings will be lost.
5. The display will show the status indicator **humimeter** (figure 50).
  - » Resetting the device will not affect the saved measuring values.



## 11. Cleaning and maintenance

Regularly cleaning and maintaining the device will ensure that it will have a long service life and stay in good condition.

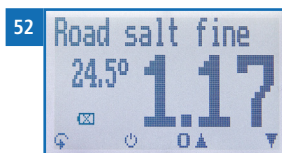
### 11.1 Charging the integrated battery

The device constantly monitors the charge level of the integrated battery. The current battery status is shown on the status screen.

If the battery's charge is very low, the battery symbol will be shown with an exclamation mark. In that case, the battery must be charged immediately (figure 51).

This warning symbol will also be shown on the measuring screen (figure 52).

1. To charge the battery, insert the supplied USB cable into the USB mini-B port on the humimeter MS4.
2. Next, connect the cable to a computer or USB adaptor/charging cable connected to the mains (e.g. from a mobile phone) (figure 53).
  - » The battery will now start charging.
  - » The LED will be blue while the battery is charging.
  - » The LED will switch off as soon as the battery is fully charged.
  - » Charging the battery can take up to 6 hours.





## CAUTION

### Fire hazard

There is a risk of fire if the battery is charged incorrectly.

- ▶ The battery must only be charged using original accessories and in accordance with the specifications detailed in this operating manual. The environmental temperature has to be between 0 °C and +45 °C.

The use of damaged cables or chargers or charging the battery in damp environments can result in electric shock, fire and injury. Make sure the temperature is between 0 °C and +45 °C when charging the battery as other temperatures can destroy the battery. Make sure the mains and USB cable are properly connected.

As the device's user, you are responsible by law for properly disposing of all used batteries, which must not be disposed of as domestic waste (Battery Directive).

## 11.2 Resetting the hardware/device

The device will go into battery protection mode if the battery's charge is very low to prevent it from being completely drained. Once that happens, the device can only be restarted once the battery has been recharged and the hardware has been reset.

The hardware/device can also be reset if the device has stopped operating for some reason.

### 11.2.1 Reset for units with the serial number 1135 and higher

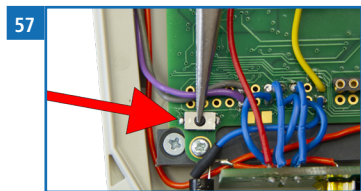
1. Fully charge the battery (until the LED goes out).
2. Bend the end of a paper clip and carefully insert it into the small hole between the LED and the USB socket.
3. Carefully press the button located behind the hole.



- » The unit will restart immediately after you press the button.

### 11.2.2 Reset for devices until and including serial number 1134

1. Fully charge the battery (until the LED goes out).
2. Remove the four blue plastic grips (figure 55).
  - » To do so, pull the grips away from the device.
3. Now take the two halves of the measuring instrument apart (figure 56).
4. On the back of the circuit board a small reset button is situated (figure 57).
5. Press this button to reset.
  - » Do not use excessive force to press the reset button, which is very easy to operate.
  - » The device will restart as soon as the reset button has been pressed.
6. Put the two halves together again (figure 58).
  - » Do not use excessive force to put the halves together.
  - » If it is not possible to put the halves together easily, flush them again and try again.
7. Mount the four blue plastic grips.



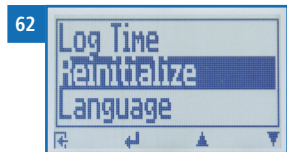
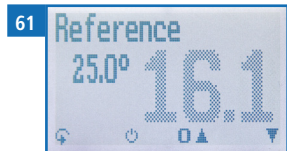
### 11.3 Checking the calibration

The device's calibration should be checked every four weeks.

**To do so:** Wooden case with test plate. The device and the test plate must have a temperature of between 18.0 °C and 24.0 °C.

1. Place the wooden case on top of a wooden table. (The case must not be placed on top or above metal.)
2. Switch on the device and use the arrow keys to select „Reference“ under product type (see 4.2 [Selecting the product type](#)).

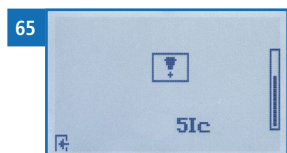
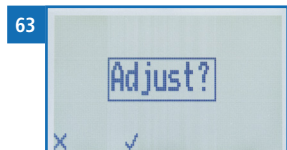
3. Take hold of the device with one hand and press it onto the top of the grey test plate with a pressure of approx. 4 kg (figure 59).
  - » The moisture content reading shown must be between 17.5 and 19.0 (the moisture reading will be displayed in black) (figure 60).
  - » If the moisture value is outside this range (the moisture reading will be displayed in grey) (figure 61), the moisture meter has to be calibrated (see 11.4 Calibrating the device).



## 11.4 Calibrating the device

**To do so:** All of the options must be activated (see 10.5 Activation options).

1. Press twice or hold for 2 seconds.
2. Select **Options**. To do so, press or and confirm by pressing .
3. Select **Reinitialize** (figure 62). To do so, press or and confirm by pressing .
4. The display will then show the message **Adjust?** (figure 63).
5. Lift the device up into the air with one hand (figure 64).
  - » When doing so, there must be a minimum of 1 metre of empty space behind the measuring plate.
6. Confirm by pressing .
  - » The display will now appear as shown in figure 65.
  - » The bar will run upwards. The device must be held up in the air throughout this entire process,
  - » which only takes a couple of seconds to complete. When completed, the display will look as shown in figure 62.
7. Press and then to return to the Data Log menu.



## 11.5 Care instructions

- Do not leave the device out in the rain. The device is not waterproof.
- Do not expose the device to extreme temperatures.
- Protect the device from strong mechanical shocks and loads.

## 11.6 Cleaning the device



### **ATTENTION**

#### **Do not clean with fluids**

Water or cleaning fluid getting inside the device can destroy the device.

- ▶ Only clean with dry materials.

### Plastic housing

- Clean the plastic housing with a dry cloth.

### Sensor surface

- The sensor surface can be cleaned with a cloth and cleaning alcohol.

## 12. Faults

If the measures listed below fail to remedy any faults or if the device has faults not listed here, please contact Schaller Messtechnik GmbH.

Fault	Cause	Remedy
Measuring error	The temperature of the material being measured is too low or high. I.e. the material's temperature is lower than 0°C or higher than +50 °C	The temperature of the material being measured has to be between 0 °C and +50 °C.
	Temperature discrepancy between device and material being measured	Let the temperature adjust to the material being measured (permitted difference of max. 2 °C).
	Wrong product type	Check whether you have selected the right product type (product) before taking a reading. See <a href="#">7. Product types</a> .
	Material thickness is too low	There has to be a minimum thickness of 50 cm of material below the sensor.
	No flat bearing surface	For taking a measurement, choose a relatively flat bearing surface. The measuring value is falsified if the sensor surface doesn't lie completely on the measuring surface.
	Uneven pressure	Press the device evenly onto the material being measured.
	Incorrect contact pressure	Make sure to press the device against the material being measured with a pressure of approx. 4 kg.

Fault	Cause	Remedy
	Foreign as well as conductive materials inside the material to be measured	Remove foreign materials (stones, conductive materials, etc.) in the area of the sensor surface and until 10 cm below it to prevent damage to the sensor surface and falsification of the measurement result.
	USB cable connected during taking a measurement	If the USB cable is connected during taking a measurement, the measuring value may be falsified by more than 0.1 %.
<a href="#">Incorrect calibration</a> (the exclamation mark on the display does not go away)	There is an object/material behind the sensor surface (during calibration)	Hold the device up into the air - make sure your fingers do not touch the sensor surface.
<a href="#">Data transfer to Log-Memorizer failed</a>	Interface has not been configured	The interface only has to be configured once. To do so, press the F1 key on your computer and read the Help file for your Log-Memorizer program.
<a href="#">The device doesn't switch on</a>	Battery empty	Charge the battery (see <a href="#">11.1 Charging the integrated battery</a> ).
	Battery deeply discharged	Charge the battery and then reset the device (perform a hardware reset) (see <a href="#">11.2 Resetting the hardware/device</a> ).
<a href="#">The device doesn't respond to any operating commands</a>	Software has crashed	Reset the device (perform a hardware reset) (see <a href="#">11.2 Resetting the hardware/device</a> ).



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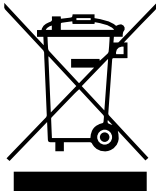
## 13. Storage and disposal

### 13.1 Storing the device

The device must be stored as follows:

- Do not store outdoors
- Store in a dry and dust-free place
- Protect the device from sunlight
- Avoid mechanical shocks/loads
- Storage temperature: -20 °C to +60 °C

### 13.2 Disposing of the device



Devices marked with this symbol are subject to Directive 2012/19/EU of the European Parliament and of the Council of 4 July 2012 on waste electrical and electronic equipment (WEEE).

If the device is being operated outside the European Union, the national regulations on the disposal of such devices that apply in the country of use must be observed.

Electronic devices must not be disposed of as domestic waste.

The device must be disposed of appropriately using appropriate collection systems.

## 14. Device information

### 14.1 CE declaration of conformity

# CE KONFORMITÄTSERKLÄRUNG DECLARATION OF CONFORMITY

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Name/ Adresse des Herstellers: **Schaller Messtechnik GmbH**

Name/ address of manufacturer: **Max-Schaller-Straße 99  
A – 8181 St. Ruprecht**

Produktbezeichnung: **humimeter**

*Product designation:*

Typenbezeichnung: **MS4**

*Type designation:*

Produktbeschreibung: **Messgerät zur Bestimmung des Wassergehalts in Salz**

*Product description* **Measuring instrument for determining the water content in salt**

Das bezeichnete Produkt erfüllt die Bestimmungen der Richtlinien:

*The designated product is in conformity with the European directives:*

**EMV - Richtlinie 2014/30/EC**

**EMC Directive 2014/30/EU**

**RoHS - Richtlinie 2011/65/EG**

**RoHS-Directive 2011/65/EU**

Die Übereinstimmung des bezeichneten Produktes mit den Bestimmungen der Richtlinien wird durch die vollständige Einhaltung folgender Normen nachgewiesen:

*Full compliance with the standards listed below proves the conformity of the designated product with the provisions of the above-mentioned EC Directives:*

**EN 61326–1:2013**

Elektrische Mess-, Steuer-, Regel- und Laborgeräte - EMV-Anforderungen  
*Electrical equipment for measurement, control, and laboratory use – EMC requirements*

**EN IEC 63000:2019-05  
ersetzt / replaced  
EN 50581:2012**

Technische Dokumentation zur Beurteilung von Elektro- und Elektronikgeräten hinsichtlich der Beschränkung gefährlicher Stoffe.  
*Technical documentation for the assessment of electrical and electronic products with respect to the restriction of hazardous substances.*

Für das angeführte Produkt ist eine vollständige Dokumentation mit Betriebsanleitung in Originalfassung vorhanden.

*For the mentioned product a complete documentation with manual of instruction in original version is available.*

Bei Änderungen, die nicht vom Hersteller spezifiziert sind, verliert diese Konformitätserklärung die Gültigkeit.

*In case of any changes not agreed upon with the manufacturer, this declaration of conformity loses its validity.*

St. Ruprecht a.d. Raab, 31.07.2022

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**DECLARATION OF CONFORMITY**

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*Name/ address of manufacturer:* **Schaller Messtechnik GmbH  
Max-Schaller-Straße 99  
A – 8181 St. Ruprecht**

*Product designation:* **humimeter**

*Type designation:* **MS4**

*Product description:* **Measuring instrument for determining the water content in salt**

The designated product is in conformity with the following directives:

- **Electromagnetic Compatibility Regulations 2016 Great Britain**
- **RoHS-Directive 2011/65/EU Directive on the restriction of the use of certain hazardous substances in electrical and electronic equipment**



Full compliance with the standards listed below proves the conformity of the designated product with the provisions of the above-mentioned Directives:

<b>EN 61326–1:2013</b>	Electrical equipment for measurement, control, and laboratory use – EMC requirements
<b>EN IEC 63000:2019-05</b> replaced <b>EN 50581:2012</b>	Technical documentation for the assessment of electrical and electronic products with respect to the restriction of hazardous substances.

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## 14.2 Technical data

Display resolution	0.01 % moisture content, 0.5 °C/°F temperature
Measuring range	0.00 % to 3.00 % moisture content
Operating temperature	0 °C to +50 °C
Storage temperature	-20 °C to +60 °C
Temperature compensation	Automatic
Data memory	Up to 10,000 measuring values
Measuring depth	30 mm
Minimum material thickness	50 mm
Power supply	Li-Ion 1,800 mAh battery (60 to 100 operating hours)
Battery charging time	Up to 6 hours
Current consumption	60 mA (incl. display illumination)
Menu languages	German, English, French, Italian, Spanish, Portuguese, Czech, Polish, Russian, International
Display	128 x 64 illuminated matrix display
Device dimensions	150 x 95 x 28 mm
Case dimensions	194 x 131 x 53 mm
Device weight	230 g
Weight of device + case	680 g
Device IP rating	IP 54

## 15. Notes

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