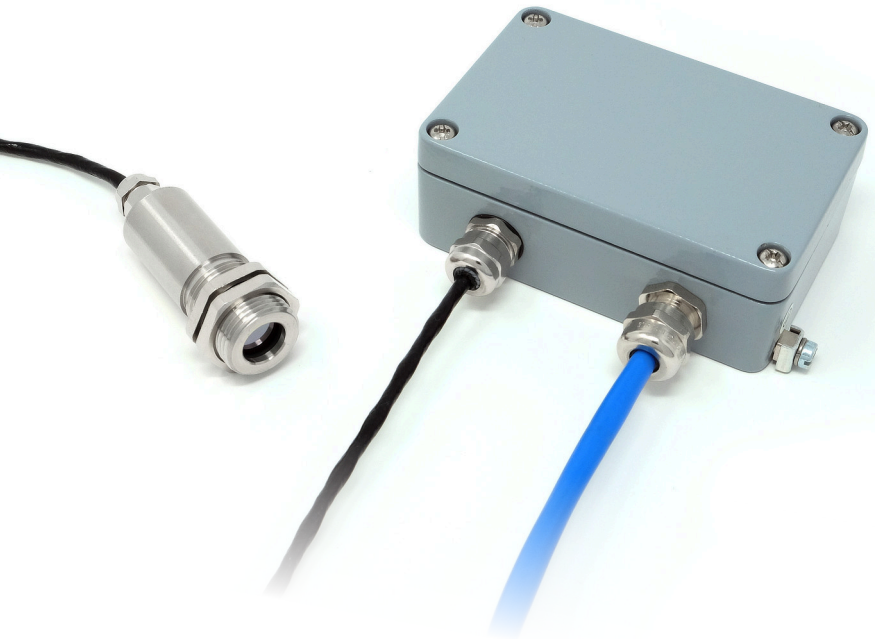


# ExTempMini Series

Intrinsically Safe Miniature  
Infrared Temperature Sensor  
with Separate Electronics Module  
Operator's Guide



## INTRODUCTION

ExTempMini intrinsically safe non-contact infrared temperature sensors measure the temperature of an area of the surface of a solid or liquid, and transmit this as a linear 4-20 mA output.

Temperature ranges from -20°C to 1000°C are available. All models have an adjustable emissivity setting, and may be used to measure a wide variety of target materials, including food, paper, textiles, plastics, leather, tobacco, pharmaceuticals, chemicals, rubber, coal, asphalt and paint.

A choice of optics is available to measure small or large targets at short or long distances.

The optional LCT Loop Configuration Tools (USB and RS-485 adapters) and free software allow the ExTempMini to be connected to a PC, PLC or SCADA system for temperature indication, sensor configuration and data acquisition.

These sensors are designed primarily for use in hazardous areas in conjunction with a suitable Intrinsically Safe isolator. All models have been certified Intrinsically Safe for use in gas hazardous areas by Certification Management Ltd. They comply with the European ATEX Directive 2014/34/EU and are covered by certificates for IECEx (international) and UKCA (United Kingdom). The ExTempMini Series is also approved for use in Japan (JNOSH-TR-46-1:2020 (General requirements); JNOSH-TR-46-6:2015 (Intrinsic Safety "I")).



### IMPORTANT INFORMATION FOR USE:

Voltage **MUST** be supplied by a suitably rated safety isolator.

For re-configuration of the sensor, the LCT **MUST** be connected in the safe area, behind the protection of a safety isolator.

The sensing head **MUST NOT** be opened. Care should be taken to avoid inadvertently loosening the cable gland when tightening locknuts.

Do not attempt to repair a faulty unit. Contact the vendor to arrange a return.

## CONFORMANCE TO REQUIREMENTS

The sensing head has passed a high voltage withstand test up to 700 VDC.

## SPECIFIC CONDITIONS OF USE

The main enclosure of this equipment is not capable of withstanding the 500 VAC / 700 VDC insulation test required by IEC 60079-11:2011 Clause 6.3.13. This shall be taken into account when installing the equipment. Power to the equipment must be supplied by an intrinsically safe isolator. The equipment is not compatible with intrinsically safe Zener barriers.

## CONDITIONS FOR SAFE USE (JAPAN)

- i. The main enclosure does not meet a 500 Vrms dielectric strength test. This shall be taken into account when installing the equipment.
- ii. The supply cable used shall have a temperature rating  $> +70^{\circ}\text{C}$ .

## SAFETY PARAMETERS:

The device must not be used outside of the ambient temperature range ( $T_a$ ), or subjected to voltages, current or power greater than those listed below, in order to ensure safe operation of the device:

$U_i = 28\text{ V}$	$T_a = -20^{\circ}\text{C to }+70^{\circ}\text{C (Main Enclosure)}$ $-20^{\circ}\text{C to }+180^{\circ}\text{C (Sensing Head)}$ (see Hazardous Area Classification)
$I_i = 93\text{ mA}$	$C_i = 5.17\text{ nF}$
$P_i = 0.651\text{ W}$	$L_i = 1.99\text{ }\mu\text{H}$

## INTRINSIC SAFETY CERTIFICATION

All models of the ExTempMini have been issued an ATEX (CML 22ATEX2007X) Certificate for use in gas explosive atmospheres in above ground installations.

The sensing head can be used in all gas Zones including Zone 0. The main enclosure can be installed in Zone 1. The sensing head temperature classification is T3 for ambient temperatures above 115°C.

Tables 1-3 describe the ATEX Gas Groups, Gas Zones, and gas ignition temperature classifications in which the ExTempMini is suitable:

	Zone	Description	Supported?
Gas	0	Explosive gas air mixture continuously present.	✓
	1	Explosive gas air mixture likely to occur in normal operation.	✓
	2	Explosive gas air mixture not likely to occur, and if it does it will only exist for a short time.	✓
Dust	20	Explosive atmosphere in the form of a cloud of combustible dust in air is continuously present, or for long periods or frequently.	NO
	21	Explosive atmosphere in the form of a cloud of combustible dust in air is likely to occur occasionally in normal operation.	NO
	22	Explosive atmosphere in the form of a cloud of combustible dust in air is not likely to occur in normal operation, but if it does occur, will only persist for a short period.	NO

**Table 1:** Gas and Dust Zones in which the ExTempMini may or may not be used

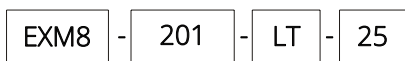
	Group	Definition	Supported?
Gas	IIA	e.g. Propane	✓
	IIB	e.g. Ethylene	✓
	IIC	e.g. Hydrogen	✓
Dust	IIIA	Combustible flyings	NO
	IIIB	Non-conductive dusts	NO
	IIIC	Conductive dusts	NO

**Table 2:** Gas and Dust Groups in which the ExTempMini is suitable/unsuitable for use

Gas Ignition Temperature	Classification	Supported?		
		Main Enclosure	Sensing Head -20°C ≤ Ta ≤ 115°C	Sensing Head -20°C ≤ Ta ≤ 180°C
450 °C	T1	✓	✓	✓
300 °C	T2	✓	✓	✓
200 °C	T3	✓	✓	✓
135 °C	T4	✓	✓	NO
100 °C	T5	NO	NO	NO
85 °C	T6	NO	NO	NO

**Table 3:** Gas ignition temperature classifications to which the ExTempMini conforms / does not conform

## MODEL NUMBERS



**Sensing Head Cable Length (m)**

e.g.

**5** = 5 m

**10** = 10 m

**25** = 25 m (maximum length)

The sensing head and electronics module are calibrated together as a pair. The sensing head cable length may not be modified by the user. Contact Calex for more information.

**Measurement Temperature Range**

**LT** = -20°C to 100°C

**MT** = 0°C to 250°C

**HT** = 0°C to 500°C

**XT** = 0°C to 1000°C

**ST** = Special temperature range

Temperature range may be rescaled between limits -20°C and 1000°C via optional adapters and software

**Field of view**

**21** 2:1 divergent optics

**201** 20:1 divergent optics

**Series EXM8**

= ExTempMini infrared temperature sensor with miniature sensing head and separate electronics module. Supplied with 2 x mounting nuts and operator's guide. General-purpose, 8-14 μm spectral response, for non-reflective non-metal surfaces and painted metals.

Ambient temperature range (sensing head) 0°C to 180°C

## SPECIFICATIONS

General	
Temperature Range	-20°C to 1000°C (see table of Model Numbers)
Output	4 to 20 mA
Minimum Temperature Span	100°C
Maximum Temperature Span	1000°C
Field of View	See table of Model Numbers
Accuracy	± 1°C or 1% of reading, whichever is greater
Repeatability	± 0.5°C or 0.5%, whichever is greater
Emissivity Setting Range	0.20 to 1.00 (pre-set to 0.95)
Emissivity Setting Method	User configurable via optional USB / RS-485 adapters
Response Time, t90	240 ms (90% response)
Spectral Range	8 to 14 µm
Supply Voltage	12 to 24 V DC ± 5%
Minimum Sensor Voltage	11.4 V DC
Maximum Current Draw	25 mA

Mechanical	Main Enclosure	Sensing Head
Construction	Painted aluminium	Stainless Steel 316
Major Dimensions	99 x 65 x 35 mm	Ø 20 x length 68.5 mm including cable gland (see Dimensions)
Mounting	2 x mounting holes, use M4 socket head screws	M20 x 1.5 mm thread, length 20 mm, supplied with two mounting nuts
Cable Length (Sensing Head)	-	Choice of 5 m, 10 m or 25 m factory-fitted. Contact Calex for information about extending cable.
Weight with 5 m Cable	TBD	TBD
Cable Connections	Removable screw terminal blocks (see Connections). Conductor size 22 AWG to 14 AWG (0.326 mm <sup>2</sup> to 2.08 mm <sup>2</sup> )	-
Output Cable Gland	Suitable for cable diameters 3.5 to 7.0 mm	-

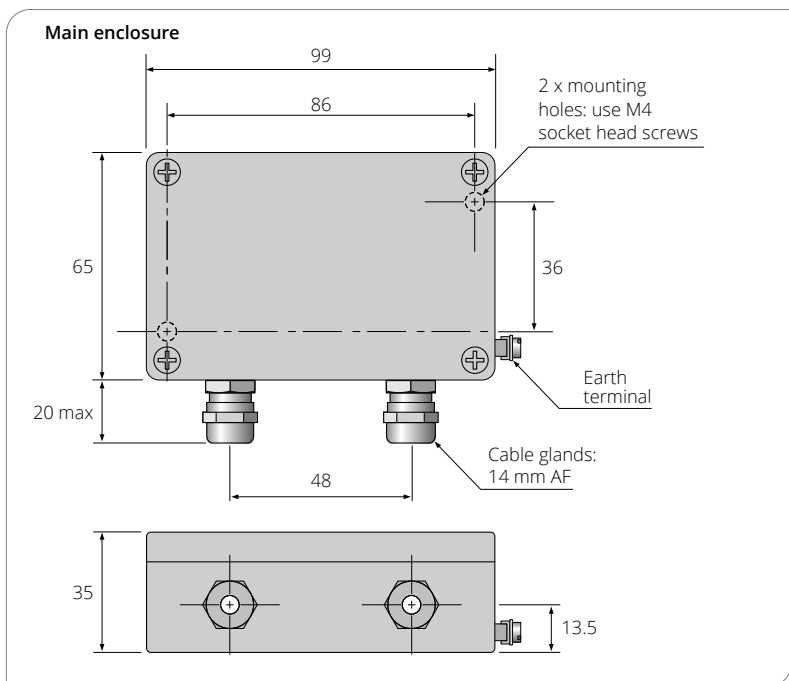
Environmental	Main Enclosure	Sensing Head
Environmental Rating	IP65 (NEMA 4)	IP65 (NEMA 4)
Ambient (Operating) Temperature Range	0°C to 70°C	0°C to 180°C
Ambient Pressure Range	80 kPa (0.8 bar) to 110 kPa (1.1 bar)	80 kPa (0.8 bar) to 110 kPa (1.1 bar)
Relative Humidity	Max. 95% non-condensing	Max. 95% non-condensing
CE Marked	Yes	Yes
RoHS Compliant	Yes	Yes

Hazardous Area Classification	Main Enclosure	Sensing Head	
Ambient Temperature Rating	$-20^{\circ}\text{C} \leq T_a \leq 70^{\circ}\text{C}$	$-20^{\circ}\text{C} \leq T_a \leq 115^{\circ}\text{C}$	$-20^{\circ}\text{C} \leq T_a \leq 180^{\circ}\text{C}$
ATEX Classification	Ex II 2 G	Ex II 1 G	Ex II 1 G
IECEx Classification (Gas)	Ex ia [ia Ga] IIC T4 Gb	Ex ia IIC T4 Ga	Ex ia IIC T3 Ga
Maximum DC Input Voltage	$U_i = 28\text{ V}$		
Maximum Input Current	$I_i = 93\text{ mA}$		
Maximum Input Power	$P_i = 0.651\text{ W}$		
Maximum Internal Capacitance	$C_i = 5.17\text{ nF}$		
Maximum Internal Inductance	$L_i = 1.99\text{ }\mu\text{H}$		
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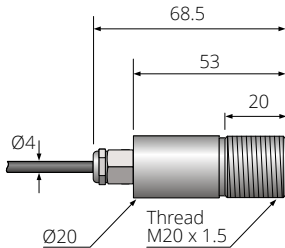
## ELECTROMAGNETIC COMPATIBILITY

Conforms to EN 61326-1, EN 61326-2-3 (Industrial).

## DIMENSIONS (all dimensions in mm)

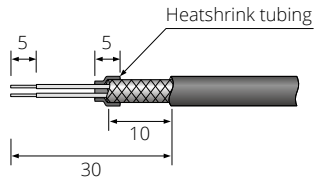


### Sensing head



### Output cable

Recommended preparation for customer-supplied cable



## ACCESSORIES

A range of accessories to suit different applications and industrial environments is available as follows. These may be ordered at any time and added on-site:

- LCT Loop Configuration Tool (USB adapter)
- LCT-485 (RS-485 Modbus RTU network interface)
- Fixed and adjustable mounting brackets
- Air purge collar

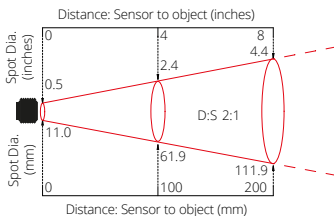
## OPTIONS

The following options are available. Options are factory installed and must be ordered with the sensor.

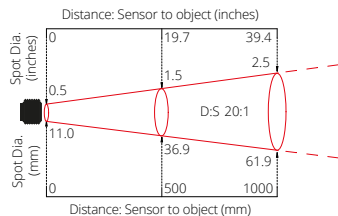
- Certificate of calibration
- Extended sensing head cable (25 m max. factory-fitted; contact Calex for information about extending the cable)
- Output cable (25 m max. factory-fitted cable; alternatively customer may supply and fit output cable. Contact Calex for information)

## OPTICS

The below chart shows the measured spot diameter at the given distances from the sensing head and assumes 90% energy. The sensor may be used at longer distances than shown below, with a larger measured spot size.



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## INSTALLATION AND MAINTENANCE

The installation process consists of the following stages:

- 1 Preparation
- 2 Mechanical installation
- 3 Electrical installation

Please read the following sections thoroughly before proceeding with the installation.

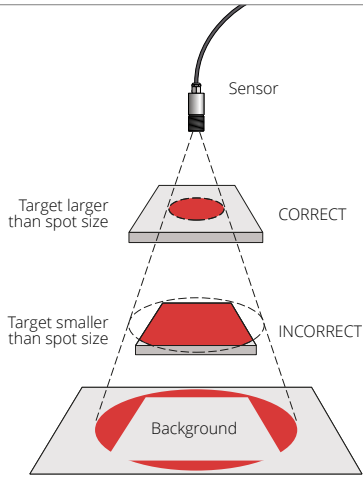
## PREPARATION

### Distance and Spot Size

Ensure the sensor is positioned so that it can only detect infrared radiation from the target.

The size of the area (spot size) to be measured determines the distance between the sensor and the target. The spot size must not be larger than the target. The sensor should be mounted so that the measured spot size is smaller than the target.

We normally recommend the target is at least twice the size of the given measured spot for maximum accuracy.



### Ambient Temperature

The sensing head is designed to operate in ambient temperatures from 0°C to 180°C.

The main enclosure is designed to operate in ambient temperatures from 0°C to 70°C.

Avoid thermal shock. Allow 20 minutes for the unit to adjust to large changes in ambient temperature.

### Atmospheric Quality

Smoke, fumes or dust can contaminate the lens and cause errors in temperature measurement. In these types of environment the air purge collar should be used to help keep the lens clean.

### Electrical Interference

To minimise electromagnetic interference or 'noise', the sensor should be mounted away from motors, generators and such like.

### Wiring

Check the distance between the sensor and the indicating/controlling device. If necessary, the sensor can be ordered with a longer cable attached. Contact Calex for information about extending the cable.

### Power Supply

A suitable intrinsically safe isolator must be used. See **Specifications** for the supply voltage, current and safety requirements.

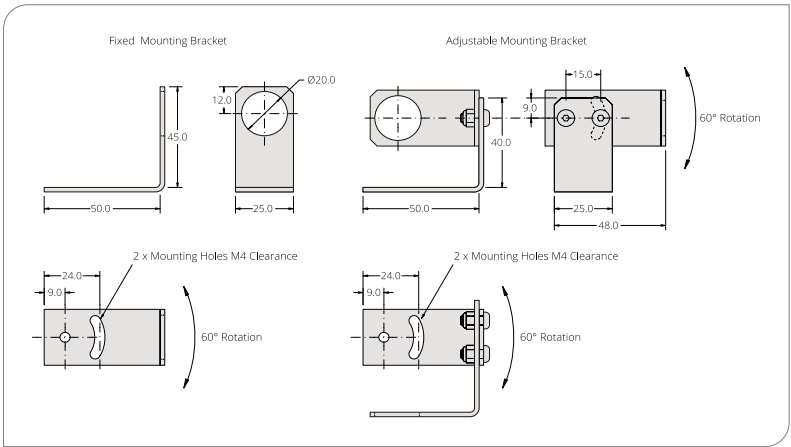
## MECHANICAL INSTALLATION

### Mounting

The sensing head is supplied with 2 mounting nuts. The sensor can be mounted on brackets or cut outs of your own design, or you can use the fixed and adjustable mounting bracket accessories, which are shown in the following diagram.



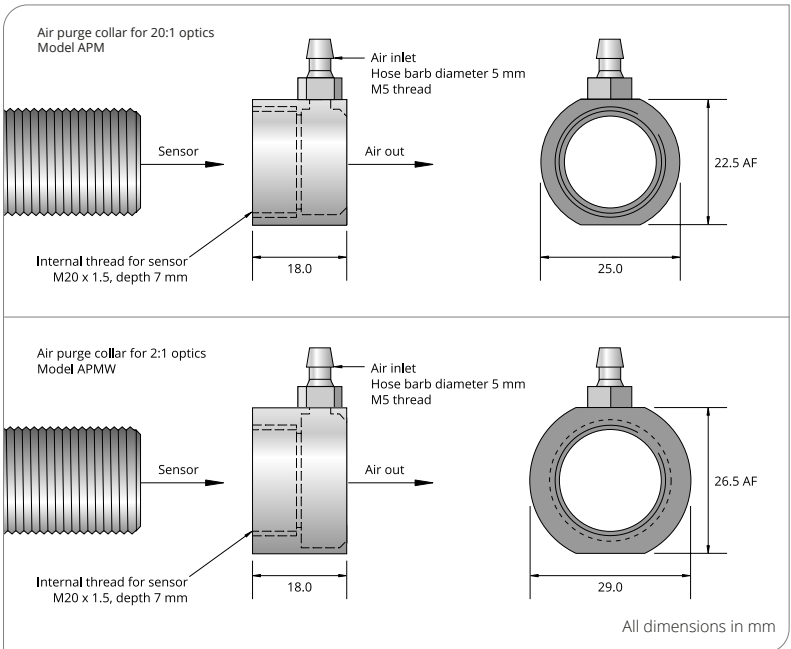
## MOUNTING BRACKETS



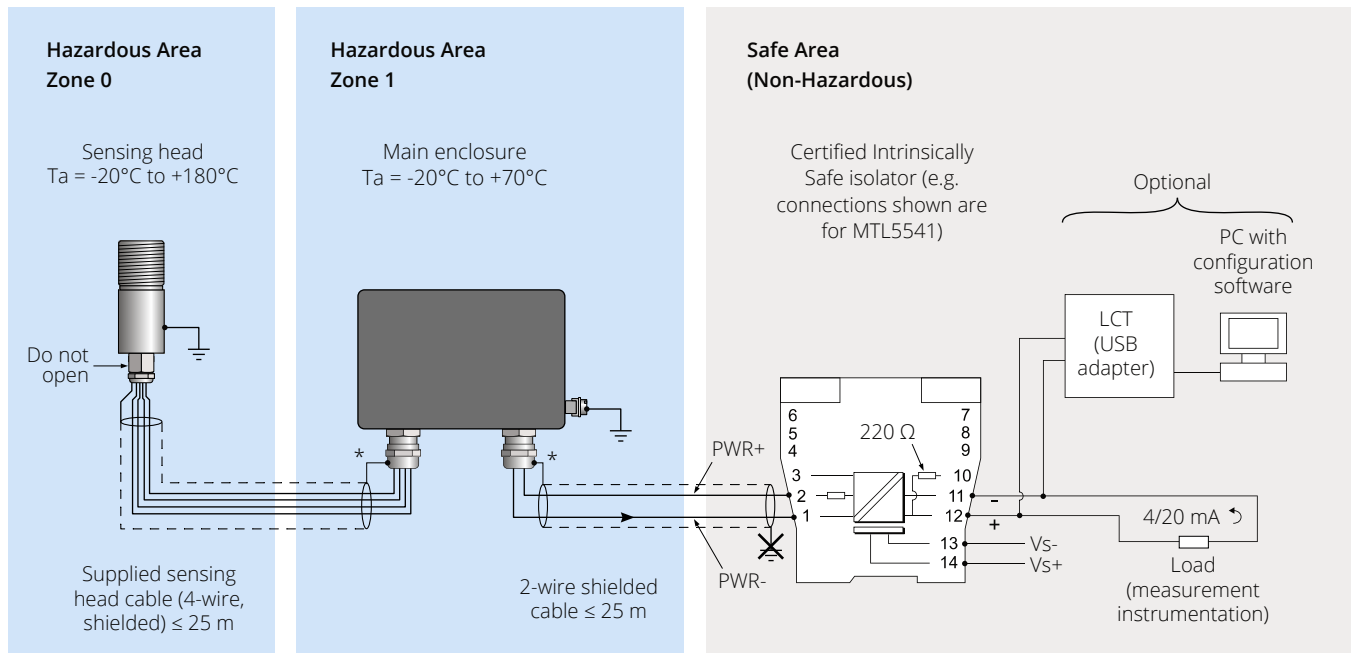
## AIR PURGE COLLAR

The lens must be kept clean and dry for an accurate reading. The optional air purge collar is used to keep dust, fumes, moisture, and other contaminants away from the lens. It must be screwed on fully. There are two models of air purge collar to suit the different optics (see below).

Air flows into the hose barb fitting and out of the front aperture. Air flow should be no more than 5 to 15 litres/min. Clean or 'instrument' air is recommended.



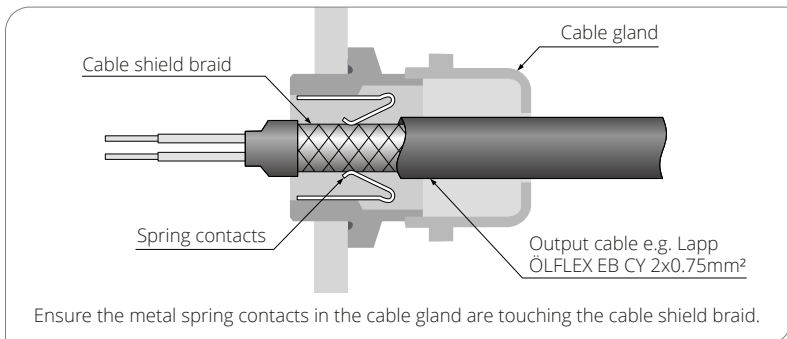
## ELECTRICAL INSTALLATION



\* Cable shield is terminated in main enclosure gland - see OUTPUT CABLE INSTALLATION

## OUTPUT CABLE INSTALLATION

The recommended output cable type is LAPP ÖLFLEX EB CY 2x0.75mm<sup>2</sup>. An alternative cable may be used. See the ExTempMini Guide to Certification and Installation for full details.



## GROUNDING

The main enclosure **must** be connected to earth using the provided earth terminal. The output cable shield **must** be terminated to the enclosure as per the above instructions, and the cable shield **must not** be connected to earth at the other end.

## DIGITAL COMMUNICATION AND CONFIGURATION

A choice of two digital communication interfaces is available.

For temporary connection, configuration of the sensor, and diagnostics, we suggest the USB adapter, model LCT.

For continuous digital communications, configuration and data acquisition, we suggest the RS-485 Modbus network interface, model LCT-485.



**The LCT and LCT-485 are not certified for use in hazardous areas. They must only be connected on the safe side of the safety isolator.**

## USB

All models are configurable via the optional USB adapter (Loop Configuration Tool, model LCT) and free CalexConfig configuration software.

The LCT has hook-type connectors and may be connected to the 4-20 mA loop as shown above.

For information about installing and using the LCT, see the **Loop Configuration Tool (LCT)** section of this manual.

## RS-485 MODBUS

The optional LCT-485 Network Interface (not shown) allows an ExTemp sensor to be connected to an RS-485 Modbus RTU network for temperature measurement, configuration and data acquisition.

Each LCT-485 unit provides connectivity for one sensor, and multiple LCT-485 units can be connected to a single Modbus network.

See the ExTemp data sheet and LCT-485 Operator's Guide for more information.

## CONFIGURABLE PARAMETERS

The following settings can be configured via CalexConfig.

Configuration settings are password protected. To access the Settings menu, go to the Unlock screen and enter the password. The default password is **1234**.

### Temperature Units

On the temperature display screen, click °C or °F to switch between temperature units.

### Output Range

Go to the Settings screen, then Output Range.

- **4 to 20 mA Output Scale**

Set the temperature range limits for the 4 to 20 mA output, between the limits of -20°C and 1000°C.

The difference between the temperatures at 4 mA and at 20 mA must be at least 100°C.

The temperature at 20 mA must be greater than the temperature at 4 mA.

Default setting: Depends on model, e.g. LT = -20°C to 100°C (see Model Numbers)

### Output Processing

Go to the Settings screen, then Output Processing.

- **Averaging Period**

Set the time, in seconds, over which the measured temperature is averaged.

Note: averaging prevents the sensor from following rapid temperature changes.

Default setting: 0

- **Peak/Valley Hold Processing**

If required, hold processing can be applied by setting Hold Mode to "Peak" or "Valley" and setting the hold period. This is useful if the temperature reading is interrupted by gaps between moving objects, or by an obstruction.

Default setting : OFF

### Emissivity and Compensation

Go to the Settings screen, then Emissivity and Compensation.

- **Emissivity Setting**

Enter the emissivity of the target. Target emissivity can be determined experimentally, or estimated using an emissivity table. For more information, contact Calex.

Default setting: 0.95

- **Reflected Energy Compensation On/Off**

If enabled, compensates for errors caused by reflected energy from hotter or colder objects. This should generally be kept OFF in most applications.

Default setting: OFF

- **Reflected Temperature**

Enter the temperature of the surroundings of the target for Reflected Energy Compensation. Changing this has no effect if Reflected Energy Compensation is OFF.

## OPERATION

Once the sensor is in position, a suitable safety isolator is connected and configured, and the appropriate power and cable connections are secure, the system is ready for continuous operation by completing the following simple steps:

1. Turn on the power supply
2. Turn on the meter, chart recorder or controller
3. Read or monitor the temperature

## **IMPORTANT**

Be aware of the following when using the sensor:

- If the sensor is exposed to significant changes in ambient temperature (hot to cold, or cold to hot), allow 20 minutes for the temperature to stabilise before taking or recording measurements.
- Do not operate the sensor or configuration tool near large electromagnetic fields (e.g. around arc welders, generators or induction heaters). Electromagnetic interference can cause measurement errors.
- Wires must be connected only to the appropriate terminals.
- Do not damage the cable, as this could provide a path for moisture and vapour to enter the sensor.
- Do not open the sensor housing. This will damage the sensor and invalidate the warranty.

## **MAINTENANCE**

Our customer service representatives are available for application assistance, calibration, repair, and solutions to specific problems. Contact our Service Department before returning any equipment. In many cases, problems can be solved over the telephone. If the sensor is not performing as it should, try to match the symptom below to the problem. If the table does not help, contact us for further advice.

## **LENS CLEANING**

Keep the lens clean and dry at all times. Any foreign matter on the lens would affect measurement accuracy. Blow off loose particles (if not using the air purge accessory) with an air 'puffer'.

If dust or condensation continuously forms on the lens, consider fitting an air purge collar.

## **TROUBLESHOOTING**

Symptom	Probable Cause	Solution
No output	No power to sensor	Check power supply and wiring
Inaccurate measured temperature	Target too small for sensor's field of view	Ensure the sensor's view is completely filled by the target. Position the sensor closer to the target to measure a smaller area. Ensure the target is at least twice the size of the given measured spot.
	Target is a reflective metal surface	Measure a non-reflective area, or paint or coat a measurable area of the target to make it non-reflective
	Field of view obstruction	Remove obstruction; ensure sensor has a clear view of target
	Dust or condensation on lens	Ensure lens is clean and dry. Clean gently with a soft lens cloth and water. If problem recurs, consider using an air purge collar.
	Incorrect wire connections	Check wiring against markings on PCB at terminal blocks
	Output temperature scale mismatch	Re-scale input temperature range on measurement instrument to match sensor

## LOOP CONFIGURATION TOOL (LCT)

The Loop Configuration Tool model LCT is a configuration adapter for ExTemp infrared temperature sensors.

It is designed to be connected to the 4 to 20 mA current loop on the safe side of an Intrinsically Safe isolator, and to a Windows PC via USB.

This manual describes how to connect the LCT and use it to configure the sensor. For information on connecting and using the sensor itself, please refer to the previous sections of this manual.



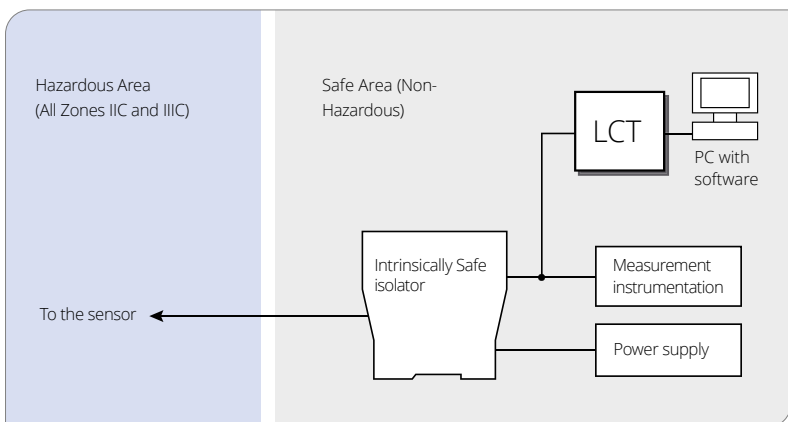
### WARNING

**This device MUST NOT be used in hazardous areas. It is not certified for use in explosive atmospheres and may only be connected on the safe side of a suitable, certified Intrinsically Safe isolator.**

**Do not attempt to repair a faulty unit. Contact the vendor to arrange a return.**

## ELECTRICAL CONNECTION

Connect the device to the 4 to 20 mA measurement loop via the hook-type connectors. For reliable communications, the total resistance  $R_L$  on the 4 to 20 mA loop should be within the range specified on the connection diagrams. You may need to connect a resistor in series with the existing measurement instrumentation on the 4 to 20 mA loop to ensure this.



## WIRE IDENTIFICATION - LCT

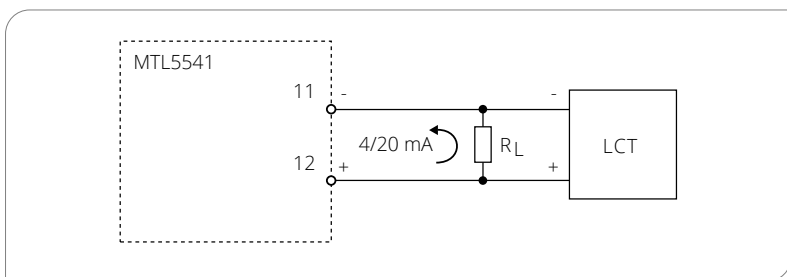
The LCT connectors are colour coded as follows:

Colour of Wire and Hook Connector	Polarity
Red	+
Black	-

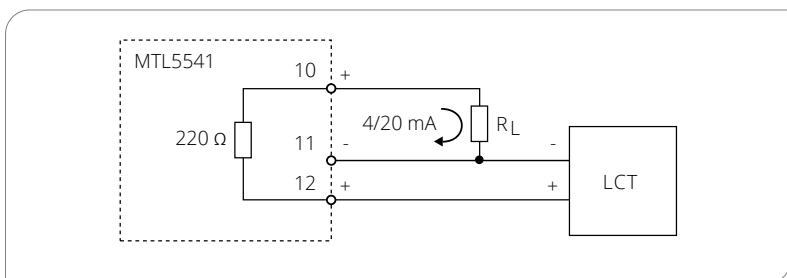
## EXAMPLE ISOLATOR: MODEL MTL5541

This isolator has an internal resistance of  $220\Omega$ . Two wiring configurations are possible, depending on whether or not this internal resistance is used.

**Configuration A:**  $400\Omega \leq R_L \leq 800\Omega$  (not using the internal resistance)



**Configuration B:**  $180\Omega \leq R_L \leq 580\Omega$  (using the internal resistance)



## SOFTWARE

The latest version of the software is available for download from the Calex website at the following URL:

[www.calex.co.uk/software](http://www.calex.co.uk/software)

Install the software before connecting the LCT to a Windows PC. This will ensure the driver is properly installed.

## USING THE SOFTWARE

See **Configurable Parameters** and the **Configuration Software** diagram opposite.

If the Settings icon is greyed out, the software is locked. Unlock the software to allow access to the Settings menu. The default password is 1234.

## MAINTENANCE AND TROUBLESHOOTING

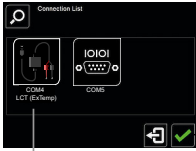
Our technical support engineers are available for application assistance, calibration, repair, and solutions to specific problems. Contact our Service Department before returning any equipment. In many cases, problems can be solved over the telephone. Contact us for further advice.

## GUARANTEE

Calex guarantees each instrument it manufactures to be free from defect in material and workmanship under normal use and service for the period of two years from the date of purchase. This guarantee extends only to the original buyer according to the Calex Terms and Conditions of Sale.

# CONFIGURATION SOFTWARE

## Connection List

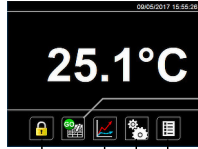


Select connected sensor:

**LCT (USB adapter):**  
Select LCT on this screen

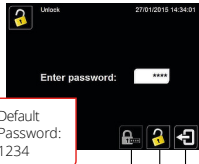
**LCT-485 (RS-485 network interface):**  
Select COM port, then select LCT-485 on the next screen

## Temperature Display



Start/stop data logging

## Unlock



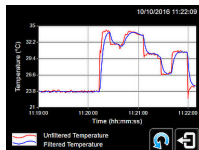
Exit Unlock

## Change Password



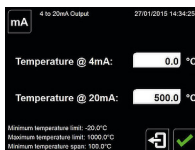
Apply (save and exit)

## Graph

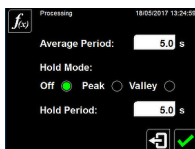


Clear graph

## Output Range



## Output Processing



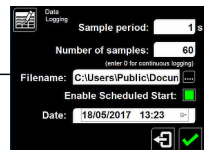
## Temperature List

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Unfiltered Temp:	25.9 °C
Average Temp:	25.9 °C
Maximum Temp:	26.0 °C
Minimum Temp:	25.9 °C
Sensor Temp:	25.7 °C
Reflected Temp:	25.7 °C

## Settings



## Data Logging



## Emissivity & Compensation

