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MG268-F2

GLOSSMETER

USER's MANUAL

Please read this manual seriously before using !

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BRIEF INTRODUCTION

Thanks for your choice to purchase MG268-F2.

MG268-F2 is designed and manufactured according to ISO2813 and GB9754. It is also compatible with the standards of ASTM D523, ASTM D2457, GB/T13891, GB7706, and GB8807. The technical parameters conform with JJG696-2002. The gloss values can be traced to the those of the National Primary Standards in SIMT in the P.R.China.

Main Applications:

- All kinds of coating and finishing surfaces, such as paints, varnishes, printing ink, etc.
- Decorative materials, such as marble, granite, polishing brick, ceramic tile and so on.
- The other kinds of materials and objects, such as plastic, woodenware, paper, etc.

SPECIFICATIONS

Specifications	Unit	MG268-F2 Glossmeter	
Measuring Range	GU	Gs (20°) : 0.0 ~ 119.9 Gs (60°) : 0.0 ~ 119.9 Gs (85°) : 0.0 ~ 119.9	Gs (20°) : 120 ~ 2000 Gs (60°) : 120 ~ 1000 Gs (85°) : 120 ~ 160
Resolution	GU	0.1	1
Repeatability	GU	0.2	0.2 %
Reproducibility	GU	0.5	0.5 %
Deviation	GU	±1.5	±1.5%
Zero-point Deviation	GU	0.2	
Operating Temperature		+10℃ ~ +40℃	

SPECIFICATIONS

Specifications	Unit	MG268-F2 Glossmeter
Storage Temperature		-10℃ ~ +60℃
Relative Humidity		Up to 85%, no moisture condensation, for operation
Measuring Spot	mm^2	Gs (20°): 9×10 Gs (60°): 9×16 Gs (85°): 5×39
Power Supply		One AA-sized battery, 1.2V ~ 1.5V,Rechargeable or alkaline.
Consumption		It's different to battery types. An alkaline battery may support 20000 measurements or more.
Volume	mm^3	155×48×75 (without a holder)
Weight	g	400 (with a battery and a holder)

MAIN FUNCTIONS

MG268-F2 has the main functions as below:

- One key to get 3 gloss values at a measurement. The result will be automatically stored into memory.
- Optional angle groups. You may complete a measurement at all three angles. You can also choose to do a measurement at one or two angles.
- Self-diagnosis and self-calibration.This function help to find some faults, and so you can deal with them in time.
- Friendly display interface. In measurement mode, current values, averages and other information are synchronously shown on the Display Window. The clear characters and simple menus make operation more easily.
- Presettable measurement number in a group. According a requirement you can choose a proper number between 1 to 99 for a group. A correct choice will make measurement and data processing easier.
- Large memory for measurement data. In 3-angle mode, more than10000 measurements or 999 groups can be allowed to stored in MG268-F2.
- Inquiry for data in memory. Through menu operation you can browse the data in memory.

MAIN FUNCTIONS

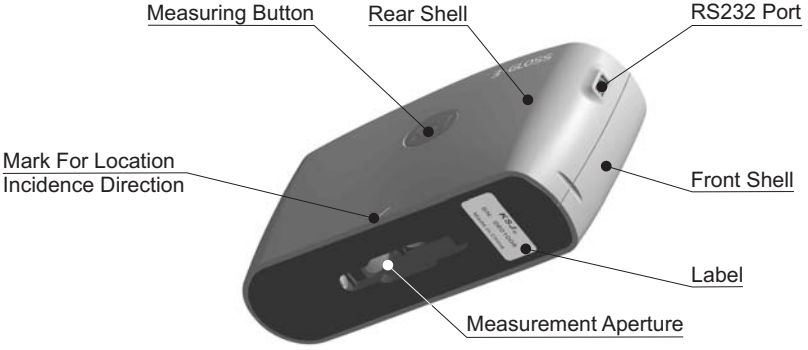
- Deleting defective measurements. By pressing Measuring Button for two seconds or more, the measurement displaying on the Display Window will be deleted. This function is only effective in current group.
- RS232 port (9 pins). Through this series port MG268-F2 can communicate with a PC.
- Practical and friendly software. KSJ Data Operator is not only friendly but practical. It can help you to upload the data from MG268-F2, preset the measuring conditions, make a printout, perform data processing and export the data to an Excel document.
- Low power consumption. MG268-F2 needs only a 1.2v to 1.5v DC power supply. You can choose a piece of AA battery which may be alkaline or rechargeable. An alkaline battery will support more than 20000 measurements. The power for communicating is taken from a PC.
- Prompt for low battery and full memory.
- Automatic shutoff. If no operation MG268-F2 will be turned off by itself in a preset time interval.

CONSTRUCTION

◆ Whole set of MG268-F2

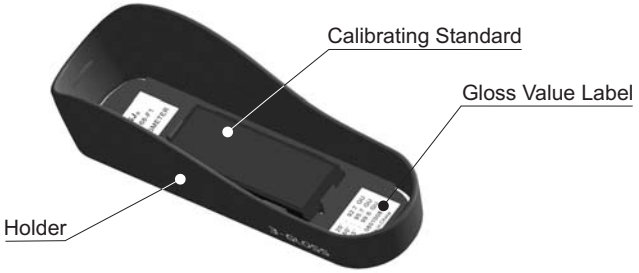
CONSTRUCTION

◆Main Device



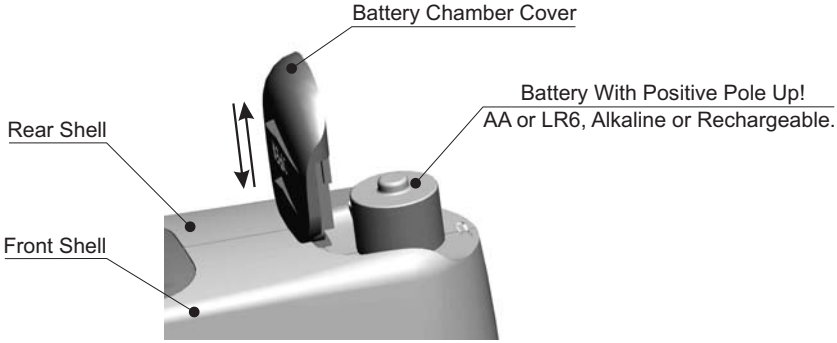
CONSTRUCTION

◆Holder With Calibrating Standard



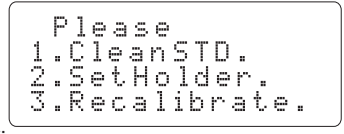
CONSTRUCTION

◆Battery in Position



■ Turn on the meter

Lay the main unit into the holder, then push down the Menu Wheel to turn on the meter. The infos of model and series number will be shown in the Display Window, meanwhile the meter performs self-diagnose and self-calibrating. After passing this procedure the display should turn to measuring mode, the meter would be ready for operation. Or else it shows as below:



The messages prompt you to confirm that:

1) The calibrating Standard (STD) is clean;
2) The main device is set into the holder properly;
3) Recalibrating is required when environment temperature change is great. In this case the meter needs some time to establish a balance of temperature before calibrating.

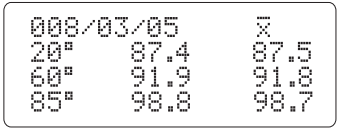
☆ Notes

- If the main unit don't lay into the holder, it is possible to turn on the meter by pushing down the Menu wheel. But it will skip the self-diagnose and self-calibrating.
- Battery installing can also turn on the meter directly.

MEASUREMENT

■ Measuring and measurement interface

Remove the holder and lay the Measurement Aperture just against the position that you want to measure.Then push the Measuring Button. Within 2 seconds a measurement will be completed. Meanwhile the result will be shown in the Display Window as below and stored into the memory automatically.



☆ Notes

- 008/03/05 express that the current measuement is the third of five measurements in the eighth group.
- Angle mode is shown in the first column, the values of a current measurement in the second and the averages in the third.

■ Deleting measurements

To delete a current measurement please push down operation button for more than 2 seconds.

☆Note

Only the measurements in a current group can be deleted one by one.

■ Turn off the meter

The meter will shut off automatically according to the preset time. See page 25..

☆Note

After turning off the meter will be in a sleeping state which consume little power. Even so it is strongly recommended to remove the battery when no use for a long time interval.

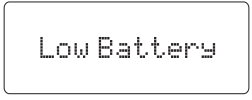
MEASUREMENT

Notice

- The holder removed from the main device should be kept in a safe and clean place to prevent from damage or pollution.
- While measuring please keep environment light f rom directly irradiating into the Measurement Aperture. If necessary, especially under strong light, shade it with a piece of light-tight cloth.
- A big temperature difference between environment and the meter would badly affect measuring. In this case please wait for a period of time till the temperature get to a balance and then calibrate the meter again.
- If measurement operation last a long time, for example an hour or more, it's necessary to recalibrate the meter.
- Pay attention to keep Calibrating Standard and Measurement Aperture clean. Any dirt, such as fingermarks, dust, steam and filth, should be cleaned gently with lens paper or a piece of soft cloth dipped in absolute ethanol.

- If memory is full of data, a prompt would be shown as below in Display Window. In this case measuring operation will be in order, but the results can't be stored into memory any more. It is better to upload the data in memory to PC and clear the memory.

- When a battery runs out, the following message will be shown. Please replace the old battery with a new one.



WARNING AND NOTICE

▲ The whole set of the meter should be kept in dry and non-corrosive environment under the temperature between -10℃ to +60℃.

▲ Although the exterior parts of the meter are made of good quality plastic, they may not resist some chemicals, expecially some strong solvents, such as acetone and so on.

▲ If the meter is not in use, please lay it into the holder.

▲ When moisture condensation occurs, you may be unable to make a correct measurement.

▲ To avoid damage of the meter due to leak of corrosive liquid, we strongly recommend you use a high quality battery.

▲ After turning off the meter will be in a sleeping state which consume little power. Even so it is strongly recommended to remove the battery when no use for a long time interval.

▲ When the battery run out, "Low Battery" will appear on the Display Window, replace the old battery with a new one at once.

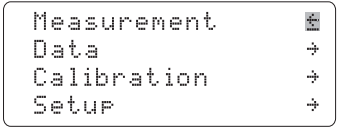
▲ For environment dispose the wasted batteries properly.

▲ The meter should not be taken down at will in order to avoid permanent damage.

MENU OPERATION

■ Menu interface

On the measurement Interface, push the Menu Wheel to enter the menu interface as below.



■ Option selecting

Turn up or down the Menu Wheel to select the options. Push down the Menu Wheel for entering your option selected. The following describes what the symbols mean.

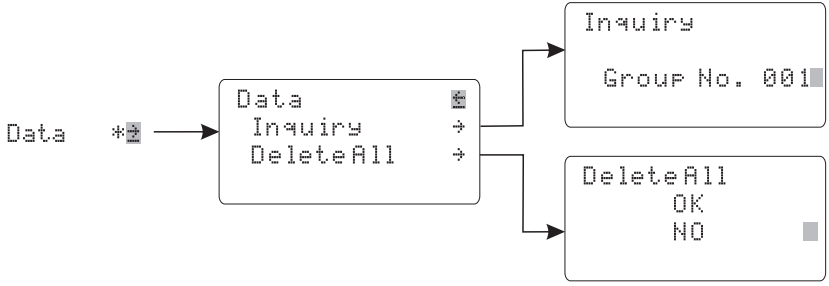
←	Return to the prior menu	←	Select to return
→	Enter the next submenu	*→	Select to enter

☆Hint: Anytime press the Measuring Button to terminate menu operation and return to the measuring interface.

■ Measurement Option

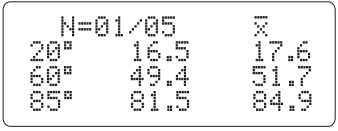
Select this option and push down the Menu Wheel to return to measurement interface.

■ Data menu and its submenu



◆ Inquiry submenu

In data menu select inquiry option and push down the Menu Wheel to enter the inquiry submenu. Turn up and down to set the group number that you want to inquire and then push down the Menu Wheel to enter the inquiry interface. Here you can browse all the measurements in this group by turning the Menu Wheel.



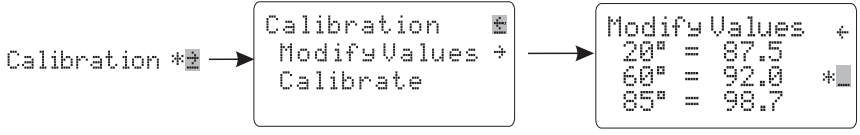
☆ Notes:

1) N=01/05 represents the first measurement in a current group that has been preset to involve five measurements. x̄ represents the averages of this group.
2) Turn up and down the Menu Wheel to browse data. Push down the Menu Wheel or press the Measuring Button to exit inquiry and return to the measuring interface.

◆ Delete All submenu

Enter the submenu and turn the Menu Wheel to select OK to clear all data in memory. Or else select NO to exit.

■ Calibration Menu and its submenu



◆ Modify Values submenu

Enter the submenu, turn the Menu Wheel to select a value and push down the Menu Wheel to confirm, then turn the Menu Wheel to modify the value, push down the Menu Wheel to confirm again. It is the same operation for other values.

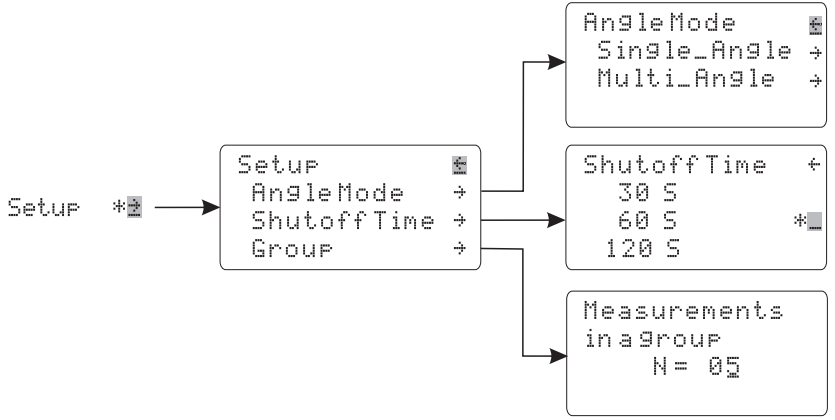
◆ Calibrate option

In Calibration menu, turn the Menu Wheel to select Calibrate option and push down the Menu Wheel to confirm. The calibrating will be carry out automatically, and meanwhile the result will be shown in the Display Window. Finally it will returnto the measurement interface.

☆Notes

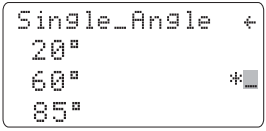
1) Before calibrating be sure that the Calibrating Standard is clean!
2) You can also calibrate the meter with Checking Standard that is available for purchase.

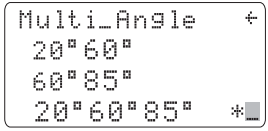
■ Setup menu and its submenu



◆ Angle Mode submenu and its next menu

Angle Mode submenu has two next menus as below:





Enter either menu, select an option and push down the Menu Wheel to confirm. Then it will be changed to the measurng interface automatically.

◆ Shutoff Time submenu

This menu is for setting a no-operation time interval for which the meter will be shut down automatically. In the menu select an option and push down the Menu Wheel to confirm. And then it will return to the measuring interface.

◆ Group submenu

Enter the menu, turn the Menu Wheel to set a number of measurements in a group and confirm. Then it will return to the measuring interface automatically.

☆ Note

The range is between 1 to 99.

USING SOFTWARE

Brief introduction

KSJ Data Operator is a simple software for data processing. Using it, we can perform a communication between MG268-F2 and a PC, and upload the data of measurements. Then we can process the data uploaded and export them to an Excel file or as a printout. We can also operate on a PC to set the measuring conditions for MG268-F2 and clear its memory.

Software installation and uninstall

To use KSJ Data Operator, you need the following:

- an IBM compatible PC with a CD-ROM.
- Microsoft Windows 2000, Windows NT 4.0, Windows XP or later version.

The software is on the CD coming with MG268-F2. The procedure of intallation and uninstall is same as a normal software, and it is unnecessary to be described here.

■ How to connect between MG268-F2 and a PC

There are two connecting cables for MG268-F2 to connect with a PC. One is a RS232 Cable (9 pins), and the other is a USB Adapter (optional extra).

◆ Using a COM port

Simply onnect one terminal to MG268-F2 and the other to a COM port on a PC.

◆ Using a USB port

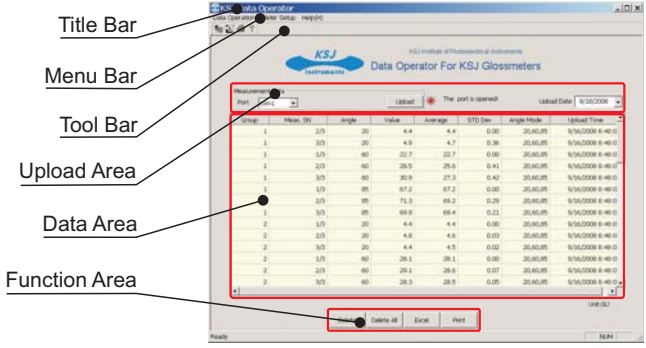
Connect a RS232 Cable and a USB Adapter, and then connect separately the other terminal of the RS232 Cable to MG268-F2 and the USB plug of the USB Adapter to a USB port on a PC.

☆ Note

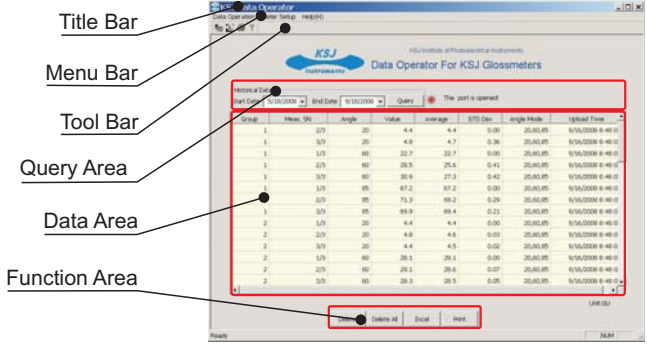
It is necessary to preinstall a driver for the USB Adapter. Please refer to the document in the CD coming with MG268-F2.

■ Software interface

◆ Interface of Current Data (default)



◆ Interface of Historical Data



■ Menu commands

◆ Data Operation

▲Current Data

- Connect MG268-F2 and a PC, turn on MG268-F2, run KSJ Data Operator, set the
- upload date, then click Upload button to upload data.

☆Notes

The data is uploaded one by one group with sounds and flash indicating..
Uploading troubles can usually be settled according to the hints of a pop-up window.

▲Historical Data

Turn to the interface of Historical Data, set a time interval for data inquiring, then click the Query button to get a result.

◆ Meter Setup

This group of commands is used to set the measuring conditions of MG268-F2 in a communication state.

▲Angle Mode

There are six options to be select including single angle, double angle and treble angle.

▲Group Presetting

To preset a number of measurements in a group, you can choose from 1 to 99.

▲Verified Values

This is for modifying the verified values of the Calibrating Standard in the Holder.

☆ Note

It is very important to keep the verified values correct for a calibrating standard. Therefor don't modify those values at will.

▲Shutoff Time

This command is for setting a no-operation time interval for which the meter will be shut down automatically. There are three options to be selected.

▲Clear Memory

This is for cllearing all the data stored in the memory of MG268-F2 permanently. And so It is better to reconsider before clearing.

◆ Help

▲Contents

The contents of help

▲About KSJ Data Operator

About the copyright and version of KSJ Data Operator and other informations.

■ Tool bar

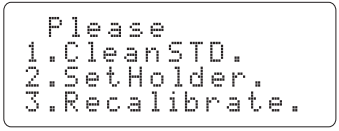
- ◆ Current Data : Equivalent to the corresponding menu command.
- ◆ Historical Data : Equivalent to the corresponding menu command.
- ◆ Print : Equivalent to the function button of print.
- ◆ Print : Equivalent to the corresponding menu command.

■ Function Button

- ◆ Delet Button
  To delete selected data shown in the Data Area permanently.
- ◆ Delet All Button
  To delete all data shown in the Data Area permanently.
- ◆ Excel Button
  To export data to an Excel document.
- ◆ Print Button
  To make a printout.

■ Errors in self-diagnose and self- calibration

When the meter is turned on with the Holder, the warning message (on right hand side) may come out. It says something would be wrong.



Please check and settle the troubles in turn:

1. Clean STD. Clean the Calibrating Standard.
   Observe the surface of the Calibrating Standard against light. If any dirt, such as dust fingermarks, steam and filth, is found, it should be cleaned gently with lens paper or a piece of soft cloth dipped in absolute ethanol. Some abrasion and damage on the surface will change its verified values. In this case please contact the manufacturer to deal with.
2. Set Holder. Set the main unit into the Holder.
   Only when the main unit lay in the Holder properly, the meter can pass the procedure of self-diagnose ang self- calibration

3. Recalibrate. Recalibate the meter.

A big temperature difference between environment and the meter would badly affect measuring, and the warning message will be shown. In this case please wait for a period of time till the temperature get to a balance and then calibrate the meter.

■ Moisture condensation

When the meter is taken from a cold location to a hot environment, moisture condensation occurs easily. If so don't use the meter any more and wait for the moisture to evaporate. See above item also.

■ Corrosion caused by a bad battery

A bad or over-discharged battery will produce corrosive liquid to damage the electric poles and elements. When it happens, please remove the battery in time and clean the poles with a cotton bud dipped in absolute ethanol. If the meter don't work well, please contact us for repair.

TROUBLE SHOOTING

■ Problems with communication

▲Failing to communicate through a Series Port on a PC

It is all right to use a Series Port to carry out a communication. Problems usually occur because :

- MG268-F2 don't connect with a PC properly.
- MG268-F2 is not in a turn-on state.
- No data is in the meter's memory.

▲Failing to communicate through a USB Port on a PC

Please be sure that:

- The driver of the USB adapter has been installed properly.
- All connecting cables are connected correctly.
- The USB adapter works in order.

☆Notes

A USB adapter, i.e. USB Serial Port Convertor, can be easily purchased in market.

■ How to verify your glossmeter

A glossmeter is a kind of metrical instruments. It is important and necessary to keep its accuracy. For this reason the meter must be verified in a period of time, usually a year. Then, we recommend you to verify the glossmeter as follow:

- Send it to a public organization which is authorised by the government and able to perform the gloss verifying.
- Send it to a manufacturer that produces glossmeters.
- Purchase certified standards to verify the glossmeter by yourself.

☆ Note:

We also provide some models of Standards for gloss verifying as below:

- MG268S-H, high gloss.
- MG268S-M, medium gloss.
- MG268S-L, low gloss.

WARRANTY

Limited Warranty And Technical Support

- The limited warranty period is one year commencing on the date of purchase. If your
- meter needs service, carry it to the local reseller or contact us at http://www.ksj.cn for repair.
- We provide spare parts anytime for distributors and customers.
  The inquiries on the gloss measurement may be directed to support@ksj.cn
  We also provide glossmeter customizing for a special application.

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Notes

- The meter should not be taken down at will in order to avoid precision destroying and maintaining difficulty.
- If the breakdown is caused by taking-down or inappropriate use, we reserve the rights not to guarantee it free in repair.

PACKING LIST

Main Device, Model：MG268-F2	1 Unit
Holder With Calibrating Standard	1 Unit
RS232 Cable	1 Piece
KSJ Data Operator	1 CD
Carrying case	2 Piece
User's Manual	1 Piece
Tracable Certificate	1 Piece

☆ Note:
USB Adapter is provided as an optional accessory.