

# ENGLISH


## User manual



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## 1. PRECAUTION AND SAFETY MEASURES

The instrument has been designed in compliance with the directives relevant to electronic measuring instruments. For your safety and in order to prevent damaging the instrument, please carefully follow the procedures described in this manual and read all notes preceded by the symbol  with the utmost attention.

### CAUTION



In case the instrument is used in a way different from the one described in this user manual, this could result in a failure of the protections the instrument is provided with.

### CAUTION



When this symbol is displayed, the instrument is not able to emit a laser pointer. **Always prevent the laser from radiating to your eyes, in order to prevent any injury.** Class II laser device compliant with EN 60825-1

In this manual, and on the instrument, the following symbols are used:



Warning: observe the instructions given in this manual; improper use could damage the instrument or its components.



Warning: always prevent the laser from radiating to your eyes, in order to prevent any injury.



The instrument and its accessories must be collected separately and correctly disposed of in the appropriate containers.

## 2. PREPARATION FOR USE

### 2.1. Initial checks


Before shipping, the instrument has been checked from an electric as well as mechanical point of view. All possible precautions have been taken so that it is delivered undamaged.

However, we recommend generally checking the instrument in order to detect possible damage suffered during transport. In case anomalies are found, immediately contact the forwarding agent.

We also recommend checking that the packaging contains all components indicated in § 9. In case of discrepancy, please contact the Dealer.

In case the instrument should be returned, please follow the instructions given in § 10.1

### 2.2. Instrument power supply

The instrument is supplied with two 1.5V AA LR06 batteries, included in the package. Battery life equals about 8000 measurements. The  symbol flashes on the display when the battery is flat. Replace the battery by following the instructions given in § 6

### 2.3. Storage

In order to guarantee precise measurement, after a long storage time under extreme environmental conditions, wait for the instrument to come back to normal condition (see § 8.1). Given its simplicity, the instrument does not need any periodic calibration

### 3. INSTRUMENT DESCRIPTION

#### 3.1. Description of the controls



Fig. 1: Instrument description

Caption	Description
1	<b>ON/MEAS</b> key
2	<b>Timer/Bluetooth</b> key
3	Key for single/continuous distance measurement
4	<b>Area/Volume</b> key
5	Air bubble level
6	Key for saving measurement results
7	“+” key
8	<b>OFF/CLR</b> key
9	Reference setting key
10	<b>Tilt/Dimension</b> key
11	Key for indirect distance measurement
12	“-” key
13	<b>Backlight/Measuring unit</b> key
14	<b>ON/MEAS</b> key

### 3.2. Display description

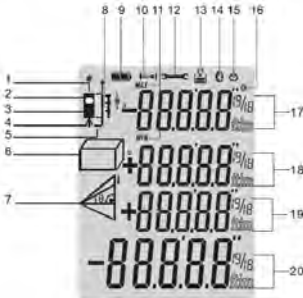


Fig. 2: Description of the symbols at display

Caption	Description
1	Active laser
2/3	Front/rear reference
4	Tripod reference
5	Instrument level + stand reference
6	,  → area, volume measurement
7	,  ,  ,  indirect measures/tilt
8	Distance measurement with dimensions
9	Battery charge level
10	Distance measurement
11	Max and Min measurements in continuous mode
12	Instrument error message
13	Memory for partial data saving
14	Bluetooth symbol
15	Active timer symbol
16	Tilt symbol
17	First measurement partial value display
18	Second measurement partial value display
19	Third measurement partial value display
20	Last measurement value display and result

### 3.3. General description of the instrument

iDM70 has the following functions:

- Direct measurement of distances expressed in m/in/ft and ft+in
- Measurement of area and volume
- Indirect 2- and 3-point distance measurement (Pitagora)
- Distance measurement in continuous mode
- Sum/difference of measured distance values
- Measurement of tilt angle
- Distance measurement with dimensions
- Setting of measuring reference
- Setting of timer for measurements
- Connection to Bluetooth devices, iPhone, iPad, iPod touch, Android via Meterbox APP
- Activation of the laser pointer for measurement
- Integrated air bubble level
- Partial operations with use of internal memory (max 20 locations)
- Display backlight
- Activation of buzzer upon key pressing

The model is provided with a wide display, a comfortable membrane keyboard with 13 function keys and a class II laser pointer for a precise definition of the application point.

The measurement of distance between two points (with a measuring range from 5cm to 70m) is carried out by reflection of the laser light from the surface hit to the receiving sensor located in the upper part of the instrument.

Measurement can be influenced by the brightness of the environment in which it is performed and by the type of surface hit by the laser pointer.



## 4. OPERATING INSTRUCTIONS

### 4.1. Initial operations and settings

- Press the key to switch on the instrument and the laser pointer. Press and hold the key to switch off the instrument.
- Press the key to clear (CLR) the last datum shown on the display.
- Press the key to see the saved distance values. Press the keys and at the same time to delete the temporary memory's content. The value "00" is shown on the display.
- Press the key to activate/deactivate the backlight of the display.
- Press and hold the key to activate the section for setting distance measuring units. Cyclically press the key to select the options: "m", "ft", "in" and "ft+in"

### 4.2. Setting of measuring reference

In order to perform correct measurements, it is important to define beforehand the measuring reference on the instrument by pressing the key. Possible options are:


- **Top** → measurement is carried out by the upper part of the instrument.
- **Bottom** → measurement is carried out by the lower part of the instrument and therefore also the whole instrument length is considered (default condition)



"Bottom" reference



"Top" reference

- **Tripod** → (see Fig. 2 – Pos. 4) Press and hold the  key for 2s. Measurement is carried out from the hole where the tripod is inserted
- **Instrument + stand level** → The instrument is provided with a stand which can be opened to comfortably rest the unit on horizontal surfaces Fig. 3). With the stand at 90°, delicately move it to the right and open it completely (see Fig. 4). In this position, by resting the instrument on an angle or step, it is automatically configured with the level shown in Fig. 2 – Pos. 5). Move it delicately to the right and turn the stand to close it on the instrument

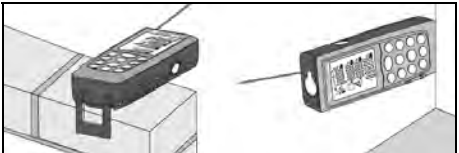


Fig. 3: Distance measurement on sides and angles

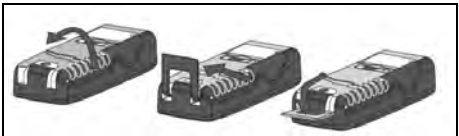


Fig. 4: Stand opening for measurements on angles

### 4.3. Distance measurement

1. With the instrument in stand-by, press the key or the side **MEAS** key to activate the laser pointer
2. Use the laser pointer to precisely determine the measuring point, keeping the instrument as perpendicular as possible with respect to the surface of the object to be measured
3. Press the key or the side **MEAS** key again to measure. The value will be displayed in the selected measuring unit (see § 4.1) and the result will be automatically saved in the memory area.

### 4.4. Continuous distance measurement

Upon start-up, the instrument is set to normal mode or measuring the distance between 2 points. Continuous measuring mode allows for a dynamic management of the distance and the display of the maximum and minimum measurement values.

1. With the instrument in stand-by, press the key to select the desired type of reference (see § 4.2)
2. Press and hold the key to activate the continuous measuring mode. The indications "Min" and "Max" are shown on partial displays
3. Press the or **OFF/CLR** key to stop continuous measurement. The function is automatically stopped after approx. 50s
4. The minimum and maximum value of distance are shown in the partial displays while continuous measurement is shown dynamically when moving the instrument (see Fig. 5) on the resulting display

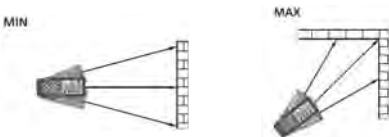


Fig. 5: Examples of continuous distance measures

5. Press the key to exit the continuous measuring mode and go back to normal mode

In Fig. 6 some applications of continuous measurement are indicated

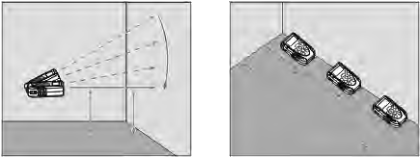


Fig. 6: Applications of continuous measurement







#### 4.5. Additions / subtractions of measures

When measuring distance, it is possible to use the following functions:

Key	Function
+	The subsequent measure is added to the previous one. The result of the sum is shown on the resulting display.
-	The subsequent measure is subtracted from the previous one. The result of the difference is shown on the resulting display.

#### 4.6. Area measurement

This measurement allows calculating the area of surfaces expressed in  $m^2$ ,  $in^2$  or  $ft^2$

1. With the instrument in stand-by, press the  key or the side **MEAS** key to select the desired type of reference (see § 4.2)
2. Press the  key to enter the Area/Volume measuring section. The symbol "" appears on the display with side "1" flashing
3. Press the  key or the side **MEAS** key to perform the first measurement (length) of the surface concerned (see Fig. 7). The corresponding value appears on the first partial display. The symbol "" appears on the display with side "2" flashing
4. Press the  key or the side **MEAS** key to perform the second measurement (width) of the surface concerned (see Fig. 7). The corresponding value appears on the second partial display, while the (up-to-date) total value of the area appears on the resulting display
5. Measuring result is automatically saved in the instrument's memory

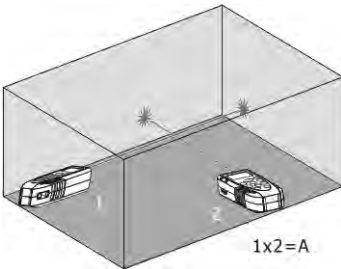










Fig. 7: Example of area measurement

#### 4.7. Volume measurement

This measurement allows calculating the volume of solids expressed in  $m^3$ ,  $in^2$  or  $ft^3$

1. With the instrument in stand-by, press the  key to select the desired type of reference (see § 4.2)
2. Press the  key twice to enter the Area/Volume measuring section. The symbol  appears on the display with side “higher” flashing
3. Press the  key or the side **MEAS** key to perform the first measurement (length) of the surface (see Fig. 8). The corresponding value appears on the first partial display. The symbol  appears on the display with side “1” flashing
4. Press the  key or the side **MEAS** key to perform the second measurement (width) of the surface (see Fig. 8). The corresponding value appears on the second partial display. The value of the corresponding area is shown on the resulting display. The symbol  appears on the display with side “2” flashing
5. Press the  key or the side **MEAS** key again to perform the third measurement (height) (see Fig. 8). The total value of volume is shown on the main resulting display
6. Measuring result is automatically saved in the instrument's memory

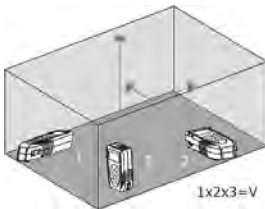








Fig. 8: Example of volume measurement

#### 4.8. Indirect 2-point measurement

Indirect measurement allows precisely evaluating a distance between two points on a vertical wall (height) exploiting the mathematical principle of the Pythagorean theorem. For accurate measures we recommend using a tripod.

1. With the instrument in stand-by, press the  key to select the desired type of reference (see § 4.2)
2. Press the  key to enter the indirect 2-point measuring section. The symbol “” appears on the display with side “1” flashing
3. Position the instrument in the highest point (1) of measurement (see Fig. 9) and press the  key or the side **MEAS** key to measure. The result appears on the first partial display. The symbol “” appears on the display with side “2” flashing
4. Position the instrument as horizontally as possible (2) (see Fig. 9) and press the  key or the side **MEAS** key to measure. The result appears on the second partial display
5. The final value of the result (obtained as  $\sqrt{(1)^2 - (2)^2}$ ) is shown on the resulting display
6. Measuring result is automatically saved in the instrument's memory

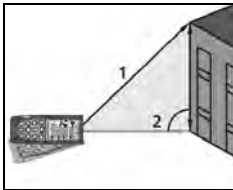







Fig. 9: Indirect 2-point measurement

## 4.9. Indirect 3-point measurement

The instrument performs indirect 3-point measurement in two different modes, described below.

Mode “◀”

1. With the instrument in stand-by, press the  key to select the desired type of reference (see § 4.2)
2. Press the  key twice to enter the indirect 3-point measuring section. The symbol “◀” appears on the display with side “1” flashing
3. Position the instrument in the lowest point (1) of measurement (see Fig. 10) and press the  key or the side **MEAS** key. The result appears on the first partial display. The symbol “◀” appears on the display with side “2” flashing
4. Position the instrument as horizontally as possible (2) and press the  key or the side **MEAS** key to measure. The result appears on the second partial display. The symbol “◀” appears on the display with side “3” flashing
5. Position the instrument in the highest point (3) of measurement (see Fig. 10) and press the  key or the side **MEAS** key to measure. The result appears on the second partial display
6. The final value of the result obtained with the combination of previous measures is shown on the resulting display
7. Measuring result is automatically saved in the instrument's memory

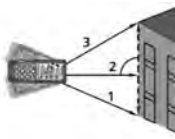










Fig. 10: Misura Indiretta a 3 punti – Modo 1



## Mode “”

1. With the instrument in stand-by, press the  key to select the desired type of reference (see § 4.2)
2. Press the  key three times to enter the indirect 3-point measuring section. The symbol “” appears on the display with side “1” flashing
3. Position the instrument in the lowest point (1) of measurement (see Fig. 11 ) and press the  key or the side **MEAS** key. The result appears on the first partial display. The symbol “” appears on the display with side “2” flashing
4. Position the instrument as horizontally as possible (2) (see Fig. 11) and press the  key or the side **MEAS** key to measure. The result appears on the second partial display. The symbol “” appears on the display with side “3” flashing
5. Position the instrument in the highest point (3) of measurement (see Fig. 11) and press the  key or the side **MEAS** key to measure. The result appears on the second partial display
6. The final value of the result obtained with the combination of previous measures (see dashed line in Fig. 11) is shown on the resulting display
7. Measuring result is automatically saved in the instrument's memory

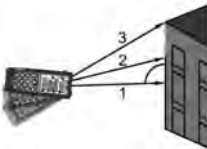






Fig. 11: Indirect 3-point measurement – Mode 2

#### 4.10. Measurement of tilt and distance

This measurement allows for an evaluation of the tilt with respect to the horizontal by means of an internal sensor and of the distance between two points through trigonometric calculation. For accurate measures we recommend using a tripod

1. With the instrument in stand-by, press the  key to select the desired type of reference (see § 4.2)
2. Press the  key to enter the indirect 3-point measuring section. The symbol "" appears on the display with side "1" flashing
3. Position the instrument in the point (1) corresponding to the value of the desired measuring angle " $\alpha$ " (varying between  $\pm 65^\circ$  with transversal tilt not higher than  $\pm 10^\circ$ ) shown on the first display and press the  key or the side **MEAS** key (see Fig. 12)
4. The value of distance "1" is shown on the resulting display. The value of distance "a" is shown on the third display, calculated as:  $a = (1) * \cos\alpha$ . The value of distance "b" is shown on the second display, calculated as:  $b = (1) * \sin\alpha$  (see Fig. 12)
5. Measuring result is automatically saved in the instrument's memory

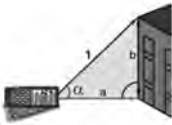






Fig. 12: Distance test with trigonometric calculation














#### 4.11. Operations with the memory

The instrument is provided with a memory section in which it is possible to recall measuring results. It is possible to save up to 20 measurements, shown in reverse order.

- Use the keys  or  for internal navigation.
- Press the keys  and  at the same time to delete the memory's content

#### 4.12. Distance measurement with thresholds

The instrument measures distance continuously by fixing two thresholds (a) and (b) in order to precisely define the position of objects along a radial line

1. With the instrument in stand-by, press the  key to select the type of reference (see § 4.2)
2. Press and hold the  key for 2 seconds to enter the measuring section with dimensions. A flashing indication of the size (a) appears on the display
3. Use the  or  keys to set the value of size (a) between 5cm and 60m. Keep the keys pressed to carry out a quick setting of the values. Confirm the value of size (a) with key . A flashing indication of the size (b) appears on the display
4. Use the  or  keys to set the value of size (b) between 5cm and 60m. Keep the keys pressed to carry out a quick setting of the values. Confirm the value of size (b) with key . A flashing indication of the dimension (a) appears on the display
5. Press the  key or the side **MEAS** key to measure. The value of distance in real time is shown on the resulting display
6. Slowly move the instrument along the radial line, observing the measured value (see Fig. 13). The instrument shows the arrows  or  to indicate the direction in which to proceed and starts sounding at a distance of 0,1m from the thresholds (a) and (b) fixed, giving out a continuous sound when threshold is reached. Measurement has a duration of approx. 1 minute and may be stopped by pressing the  or  key

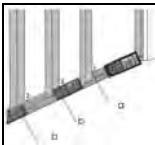








Fig. 13: Distance measurement with thresholds



### 4.13. Distance measurement with timer

The instrument allows measuring distances with timer setting (max. 60s).

1. With the instrument in stand-by, press the  key to select the type of reference (see § 4.2)
2. Press the  key to enter the Timer mode with a default duration of 5s, or press and hold the  key for a quick setting of the desired value, or use the  or  keys to set the desired value with 1s scan
3. Press the  key or the side **MEAS** key or wait a few seconds after setting the timer for measurement to start. The instrument activates a countdown
4. In the last 2 seconds the instrument sounds loud. Upon timer end the value is shown on the resulting display
5. Measuring result is automatically saved in the instrument's memory

### 4.14. Bluetooth connection

The instrument allows for the connection to mobile devices such as **iPhone**, **iPad**, **iPod**, **Android** via Bluetooth connection, provided you install the **HTLaserMeter APP** on the devices. To activate connection, proceed as follows:

1. Press and hold the  key for 2 seconds. The symbol "Bluetooth" appears on the display
2. Connect the instrument to the mobile device via the HTLaserMeter APP (see the relevant user manual)
3. Upon the first connection between the instrument and the device, a message requesting a Pin may be shown by the device. In this case, please enter code "0000"
4. Press and hold the  key for two seconds to quit the Bluetooth function or switch off the instrument

## 5. MEASURING CONDITIONS

### Measuring range

The instrument's measuring range is 70m. At night, under poor visibility conditions or if the surface to be measured is in shadow, the measuring range can be reduced. To prevent this, carry out measurements during the day or use luminous plates when the object to be measured has poor reflecting properties.


### Object surface

The instrument can give errors when measurements are carried out on colourless liquids (e.g. water), transparent glass, polystyrene, very polished or half-permeable surfaces because of the deviation of the laser beam. Non-reflecting surfaces may cause delays when measuring.

### Maintenance

Do not immerse the instrument in water. To clean the instrument, use a soft cloth moist with neutral detergent

## 6. REPLACING INTERNAL BATTERIES


The instrument is supplied by 2x1.5V AA LR06 alkaline batteries. When the symbol “” flashes on the display, it is necessary to replace the batteries. Proceed as follows:

1. Slide the battery compartment cover to the right and remove it (see Fig. 14)
2. Remove the batteries and insert the same number of batteries of the same type, respecting the correct polarity. **Only use alkaline batteries**
3. Restore the battery compartment cover into position by sliding it to the left to fasten it again



Fig. 14: Replacement of the internal battery

## 7. ERROR MESSAGES ON THE DISPLAY

Code	Description	Solution
204	Calculation error	Press  and repeat procedure
208	Weak signal reflection, measuring time too long, distance > 70m or <5cm	Carry out measurement on an appropriate surface
209	Too intense reflection of the signal	Carry out measurement on a less reflective surface
252	Temperature too high	Let the instrument cool down
253	Temperature too low	Let the instrument heat up
255	Hardware error	Turn off the instrument and turn it on again several times. Contact Customer Service if the message is displayed again.

## 8. TECHNICAL SPECIFICATIONS

### 8.1. Technical characteristics

Measuring range (*):	0.05 ÷ 70m (0.2in÷229ft)
Resolution:	0.001m (0.001ft)
Accuracy (@10m):	±1.5mm (**)
Tilt measuring range:	±65° (side <±10°)
Laser pointer:	635nm, Class II, <1mW
Display:	LCD, 5 digits with backlight
Power supply:	2x1.5V type AA LR06
Duration:	up to 8000 measurements
Operating temperature:	0°C ÷ 40°C
Storage temperature:	-10° ÷ 60°C
Auto power off:	30s (laser), 3min (iDM70)
Size (LxWxH):	135 x 53 x 30mm
Weight (batteries included):	160g
Mechanical protection:	IP54
Bluetooth:	3.0 EDR, range 10m

(\*) Measuring range and accuracy depend on the correct reflection of the laser beam from the surface of the object to the instrument's sensor and on the brightness of the environment in which tests are performed.

(\*\*) Under favourable conditions (optimum object surface, room temperature). Under unfavourable conditions (intense sunshine, poor reflective properties of the object, high variations in temperature) the resolution in measurements >10m may be higher by ±0.15mm/m (±0.0018in/ft)

### 8.2. Reference standards

	IEC/EN61326-1 :2006
	IEC/EN61326-2-2 :2006
EMC:	IEC/EN61326-1 :2005
	IEC/EN61326-2-2 :2005
	2004/108/EC EMC directive
Laser :	IEC/EN60825-1

## 9. ACCESSORIES PROVIDED

- Carrying bag
- Batteries
- User manual of the instrument
- User manual of HTLaserMeter APP

## **10. SERVICE**

### **10.1. Warranty conditions**

This instrument is warranted against any material or manufacturing defect, in compliance with the general sales conditions. During the warranty period, the manufacturer reserves the right to repair or replace the product.

Should the instrument be returned to the After-sales Service or to a Dealer, transport will be at the Customers charge. A report will always be enclosed to a shipment, stating the reasons for the products return. The manufacturer declines any responsibility for injury to people or damage to property.

The warranty shall not apply in the following cases:

- Repair and/or replacement of accessories and battery (not covered by warranty)
- Repairs that may become necessary as a consequence of improper use.
- Repairs that may become necessary as a consequence of improper packaging.
- Repairs which may become necessary as a consequence of interventions performed by unauthorized personnel.
- Modifications to the instrument performed without the manufacturers explicit authorization.
- Use not provided for in the instruments specifications or in the instruction manual.

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