

Thermal-Lok™ Dry Heat Bath Instruction Manual



2510-1102 Thermal-Lok™ Dry Heat Bath

The USA Scientific Thermal-Lok™ Dry Heat Bath is a highly accurate, microprocessor controlled, dry block heating unit with two aluminum blocks. The dry heat bath provides uniform temperature control for heating microtubes, test tubes and other vessels, including microplates and slides.

Each dry heat bath has a bright green LED display, easy to set temperature and time controls and comes complete with a block lifter.

| <u>Specifications</u> | <u>1 Block Dry Bath</u> 2510-1101 | <u>2 Block Dry Bath</u> 2510-1102 | <u>4 Block Dry Bath</u> 2510-1104 |
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| Temperature range | Ambient +5°C to 150°C | Ambient +5°C to 150°C | Ambient +5°C to 150°C |
| Increments and display resolution | 0.1°C | 0.1°C | 0.1°C |
| Temperature uniformity | +/-0.2°C | +/-0.2°C | +/-0.2°C |
| Temperature accuracy | +/-0.2°C | +/-0.2°C | +/-0.2°C |
| Size w x d x h (in.) / Weight | 7.8 x 9 x 3.2 (8 lbs) | 8.7 x 10.3 x 3.2 (9 lbs) | 8.7 x 14 x 3.2 (10 lbs) |
| Electrical 115/230 VAC 50/60 Hz | 350 watts | 600 watts | 1000 watts |
| Timer function / resolution | Off (untimed) or on to 999 minutes in 1 minute increments | Off (untimed) or on to 999 minutes in 1 minute increments | Off (untimed) or on to 999 minutes in 1 minute increments |

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SET UP AND OPERATION

- 1. Place the dry heat bath on a stable flat surface away from air vents or equipment exhaust vents.
- 2. Plug the dry heat bath into a properly grounded outlet of the correct voltage.
- 3. Insert the block(s) into the heating well using the block lifter. **Caution: blocks may be hot!** Using the switch on the back of the unit, turn on the power. The dry bath will make a "beep" sound, illuminate each digit on the display left to right and briefly illuminate the **LED display** while it performs a unit test. After the unit test, the display will begin showing the block temperature and the unit will begin heating the block to the previously set temperature. A flashing red **LED Heating** light indicates the block is heating.

SETTING THE TEMPERATURE

Whenever the green Temp-Run lamp is illuminated and the display shows the well temperature, the temperature can be set or changed by using the up or down arrow keys.

Once the desired temperature is displayed, the dry heat bath will illuminate the **red Heating** light and automatically begin heating to the set temperature. The display will show the actual well temperature as the unit heats. As the set temperature is approached, the **red Heating** light will begin cycling on and off. Once set temperature is reached the **green Temp-Run** light appears and **red heating** lights appear constant until set time is over. At the end of the run the display will state "over".



After equilibrating at the set temperature, the display may show a variation of +/-0.1°C around the set point. When the temperature is set below the current well temperature and not illuminate the **red Heating** light.

A temperature setting is automatically remembered if power is turned off.





CAUTION: Hot surfaces, especially on the block, can cause serious injury or burns.

CAUTION: Do not put water or liquids into the well as shock, serious injury and death may occur.

CAUTION: Do not heat flammable or explosive substances as serious injury and death may occur.

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USING AND SETTING THE TIMER

Thermal-Lok™ Dry Heat Baths come with a built-in digital timer function that turns off the heat and sounds an alarm. The alarm will continue until it is manually turned off.

- Once the desired temperature has been set, press the Mode button to place the dry bath into the timer set mode. This
 will illuminate the red Timer lamp and extinguish the green Temp-Run lamp. Use the arrow keys to set the desired time
 of operation in one minute increments. Once the time is set, the dry bath will automatically begin timed operation. The
 display will now count down the minutes set.
- 2. Alternatively you can press the **Mode** button and the display will show the well temperature and illuminate the **Temp-Run** lamp.
- 3. When the time has expired the dry bath will turn off the heating function and begin sounding a "5-beep" alarm. The user must turn off the dry bath using the power switch in the back of the unit to shut off the alarm. The dry bath may then be turned back on to begin another timed heating cycle.
- 4. The timer setting is automatically remembered when the unit is turned off or if the power is lost.



Note: You must set the time to "00" on the display to allow the dry bath to be operated in a normal, continuous operation mode without the timing function.

USER CALIBRATION FUNCTION

Thermal-LokTM Dry Heat Baths are calibrated at the factory and are highly accurate. If necessary, they may be calibrated at the lab to match certified lab reference thermometers or reference temperature sensing meters. Adjusting unit calibration should only be done with certified thermometers or temperature sensors with accuracy certificates. Include any known accuracy offsets in the temperature reading. Use the following procedure to calibrate the dry bath to a certified reference thermometer.

- 1. The unit must be off. Press and hold down the **Mode** button. While holding down the **Mode** button, turn the unit on using the power switch at the back.
- The display will step through the digits and then show the current temperature setting with the right hand digit flashing.Release the Mode button after the right-hand digit begins flashing.
- 3. Set the temperature to the desired calibration temperature using the **Up** and **Down** buttons.
- 4. Press and release the **Mode** button. The unit will start heating to the set calibration temperature.
- 5. Allow 45 minutes for the dry bath to equilibrate at the set calibration temperature. The right-hand digit will begin flashing again when the dry bath has equilibrated at the calibration temperature.
- 6. After the display begins **flashing**, use a *certified reference thermometer or temperature sensor* to check the block or sample temperature. If the reference thermometer shows a difference from the display, you can adjust the display to match the thermometer by using the **Up** and **Down** buttons.
- After using the reference thermometer and adjusting the display if necessary, press the **Mode** button to exit the calibration mode. The dry bath will then be calibrated to the reference thermometer at the selected temperature point and ready for operation.

WARRANTY

This Thermal-Lok™ Dry Heat Bath from USA Scientific Inc. comes with a 2 year warranty.

THERMAL-LOK™ HIGH GRADE ALUMINUM



2520-0000 24-place block holds both 1.5 and 2.0 ml tubes. Measures 3" W x 3.75" D x 2" H.



2524-0000 24-place block holds 0.5 ml tubes. Measures 3" W x 3.75" D x 2" H.



2520-1500 24-place block with conical wells for 1.5ml microcentrifuge tubes only.



2512-0000 12-place block holds 15 ml tubes. Measures 3" W x 3.75" D x 3.25" H.



2505-0000 5-place block holds 50 ml tubes. Measures 3" W x 3.75" D x 3.25" H.

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^{**}Custom blocks are available upon request.