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MODELS 5200 / 5210 / 5220 / 5230 / 5203

OPERATION AND SERVICE MANUAL

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CHAPTER 1

Unpacking and Parts Identification

List of Standard Components

Carefully unpack the instrument and accessories from the shipping container. Check the individual parts against the list of components in tables below. If any parts are missing or damaged, notify TSI immediately.

5200 Series Low Flow Gas Flow Multi-Meter

Qty	Item Description	Part / Model
1	Low Flow Gas Flow Multi-Meter, 3/8 inch tube ends Measures Flow, Temperature, Absolute Pressure	5200
	Low Flow Gas Flow Multi-Meter, 3/8 inch tube ends Measures Flow, Volume, Temperature, Absolute Pressure, Differential Pressure	5210
	Low Flow Gas Flow Multi-Meter, 3/8 inch tube ends Measures Flow, Volume, Temperature, Absolute Pressure, Differential Pressure, Relative Humidity	5220
	Low Flow Gas Flow Multi-Meter (High Accuracy), 3/8 inch tube ends, includes Tabletop Stand Measures Flow, Volume, Temperature, Absolute Pressure, Differential Pressure, Relative Humidity	5230
	Low Flow Gas Flow Multi-Meter (Wide Accuracy Spec), 3/8 inch tube ends Measures Flow, Temperature, Absolute Pressure	5203
1	Calibration Certificate	N/A
1	5200 Series Standard Accessory Kit	52000
1	Low Pressure Measurement Kit (5210 /5220/5230 models only)	5200-LPMK
1	License key for FLO-Sight™ PC Software (Includes a free trial of the advanced version)	5000-PC

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Standard Accessory Kit

5200 Series Standard Accessory Kit (52000)

Item Description	TSI Part Number	Picture
5200 Series 1/4 Inch Tube Ends (2)	5200-025IN	
5200 Series 10 mm Tube Ends (2)	5200-10MM	
5200 Series Low Pressure Inlet Filter, 3/8 Inch Barbed	5200-IF-LP	
5200 Series Low Pressure Inlet Filter, 1/4 Inch Barbed	5200-IF-LP	
5000 Series USB-C to USB-A Power and Communications Cable (6 ft.)	5000-USBC-A	
5000 Series Universal Power Supply	5000-UPS	
5000 Series USB Hub Cable	5000-HUB	



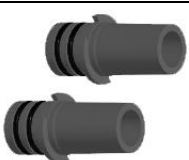
Low Pressure Measurement Kit



5200 Series Low Pressure Measurement Kit (5200-LPMK)

Item Description	Quantity	Picture
3/8 inch Tee Fitting with 1/8 inch barb	2	
1/4 inch Tee Fitting with 1/8 inch barb	2	
Tubing 1/8 inch ID x 1/4 inch OD	96 inches	
Tubing 3/8 inch ID x 1/2 inch OD (4-inch pieces)	2	
Tubing 3/16 inch ID x 5/16 inch OD (4-inch pieces)	2	

Optional Accessories

5200 Series Accessories

Item Description	TSI Part Number	Picture
5200 Series 3/8 inch Tube Ends (2)	5200-375IN	
5200 Series 1/4 inch Tube Ends (2)	5200-025IN	
5200 Series 10 mm Tube Ends (2)	5200-10MM	

Item Description	TSI Part Number	Picture
5200 Series End Caps (2)	5200-EC	
5200 Series Collars (2)	5200-C	

5000 Series Universal Accessories

Item Description	TSI Part Number	Picture
5000 Series Tabletop Stand	5000-TTS	
5000 Series USB-C to USB-A Power and Communications Cable with Screw Lock (6 ft.)	5000-USB-LOCK	
5000 Series USB-RS232 Cable and Null Modem Converter	5000-RS232	
5000 Series Wall Mounting Kit	5000-WMK	
5000 Series Wall Mounting – Back Plate Only	5000-WMBP	

Item Description	TSI Part Number	Picture
5000 Series Wall Mounting – Meter Plate Only	5000-WMMP	
5000 Series Wall Mounting DIN Rail Kit	5000-WMDRK	
5000 Series Wall Mounting DIN Rail – Clips Only (2)	5000-WMDRC	
5000 Series Deluxe Carrying Case	5000-DCC	
FLO-Sight™ PC Software (Advanced Version)	5000-PC-ADV	See Chapter 7 for more information.

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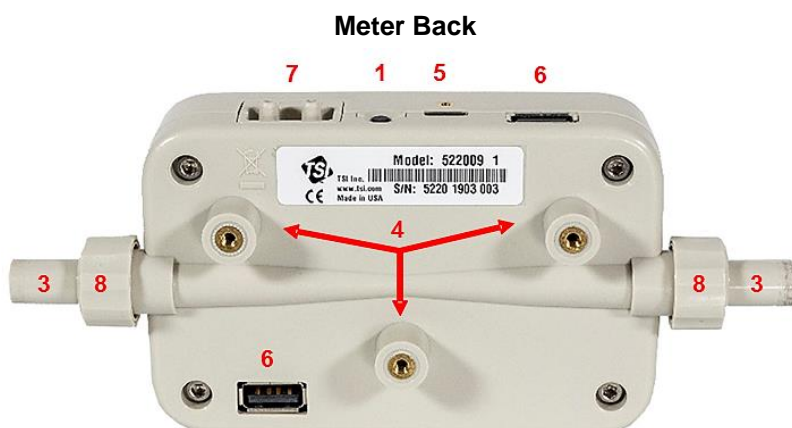
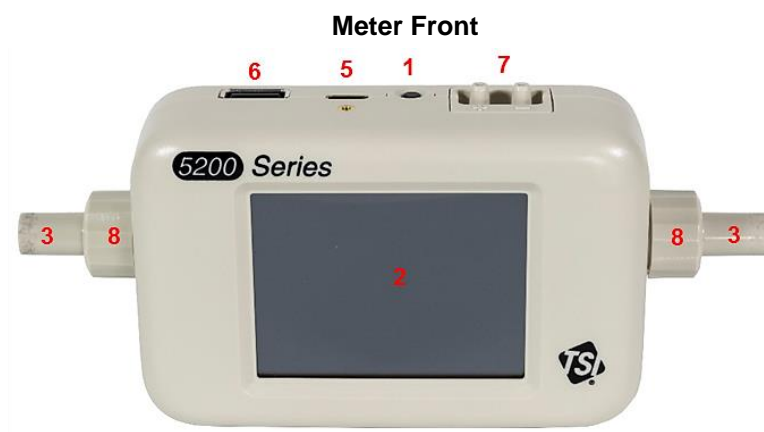


CHAPTER 2

Meter Setup

Instrument Overview

5200 Series Low Flow Gas Flow Multi-Meter



1. Power Button (On/Off)	5. USB-C Power / Communications Port
2. Color Touchscreen Display*	6. USB-A Communications Ports (2)
3. Interchangeable Tube Ends	7. Differential Pressure Ports (5210 / 5220 / 5230 models only)
4. Mounting Inserts (M3 thread size)	8. Collars

* The color touchscreen display is resistive and responds to applied pressure

Supplying Power

The 5200 Series Multi-Meter can be powered by connecting the USB-C to USB-A Power and Communications Cable from the USB-C port on the meter to: 1) the 5000 Series Universal Power Supply, 2) a computer, or 3) an alternative USB-compatible source that can provide 5 VDC.



Power Supply: 5.0 VDC \pm 5%, 500 mA maximum

USB Hub Cable

Some computer USB ports are not capable of sufficiently powering the meter. The meter may fail to power on, or the meter may power on but be unable to complete the startup process.

If you are unable to power your meter from the computer, connect using the provided USB hub cable. To do this, connect the USBC-A power cable to the USB hub cable, plug the hub cable into the USB-A port of the computer, and plug the other end of the USBC-A cable into the USB-C port located on top of the meter.

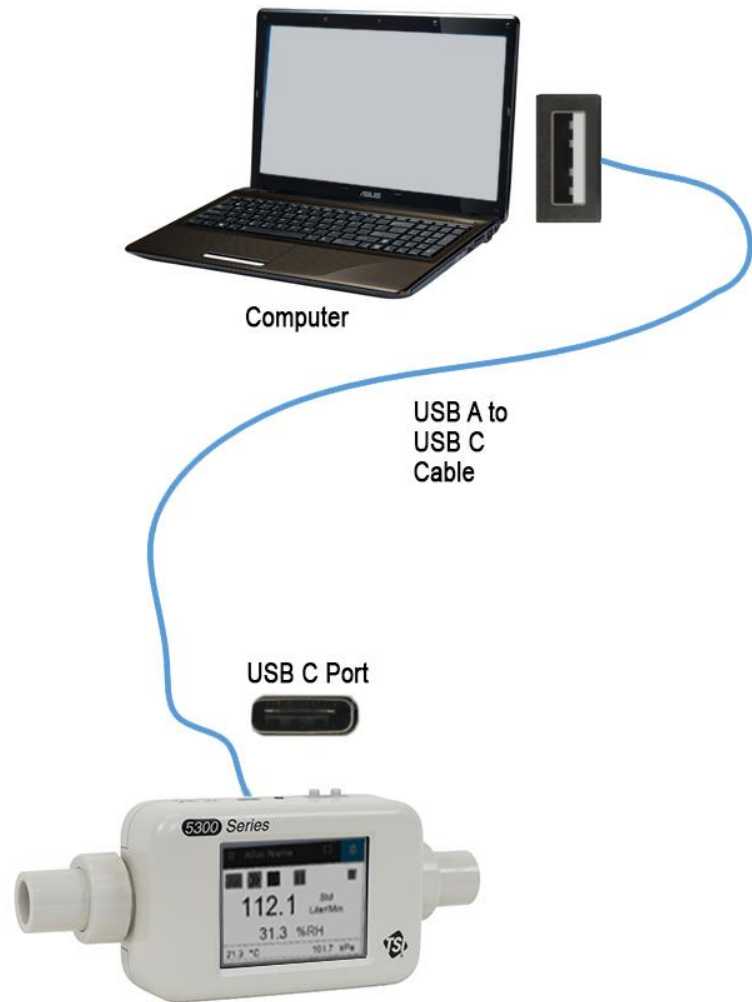
Communications

USB-C to USB-A Cable

In addition to supplying power, the 5000 Series USB-C to USB-A cable (5000-USBC-A) provides direct communication between the Multi-Meter and a computer. The graphic to the right shows the connection scheme.

You can view real-time measurements and control your meter through FLO-Sight™ PC Software or through an alternative program such as HyperTerminal® or PuTTY using ASCII commands.

For more details, please refer to the *FLO-Sight™ PC Software Manual* or the *Series 5200/5300 ASCII Command Set Manual*.



USB-A to RS232 Cable

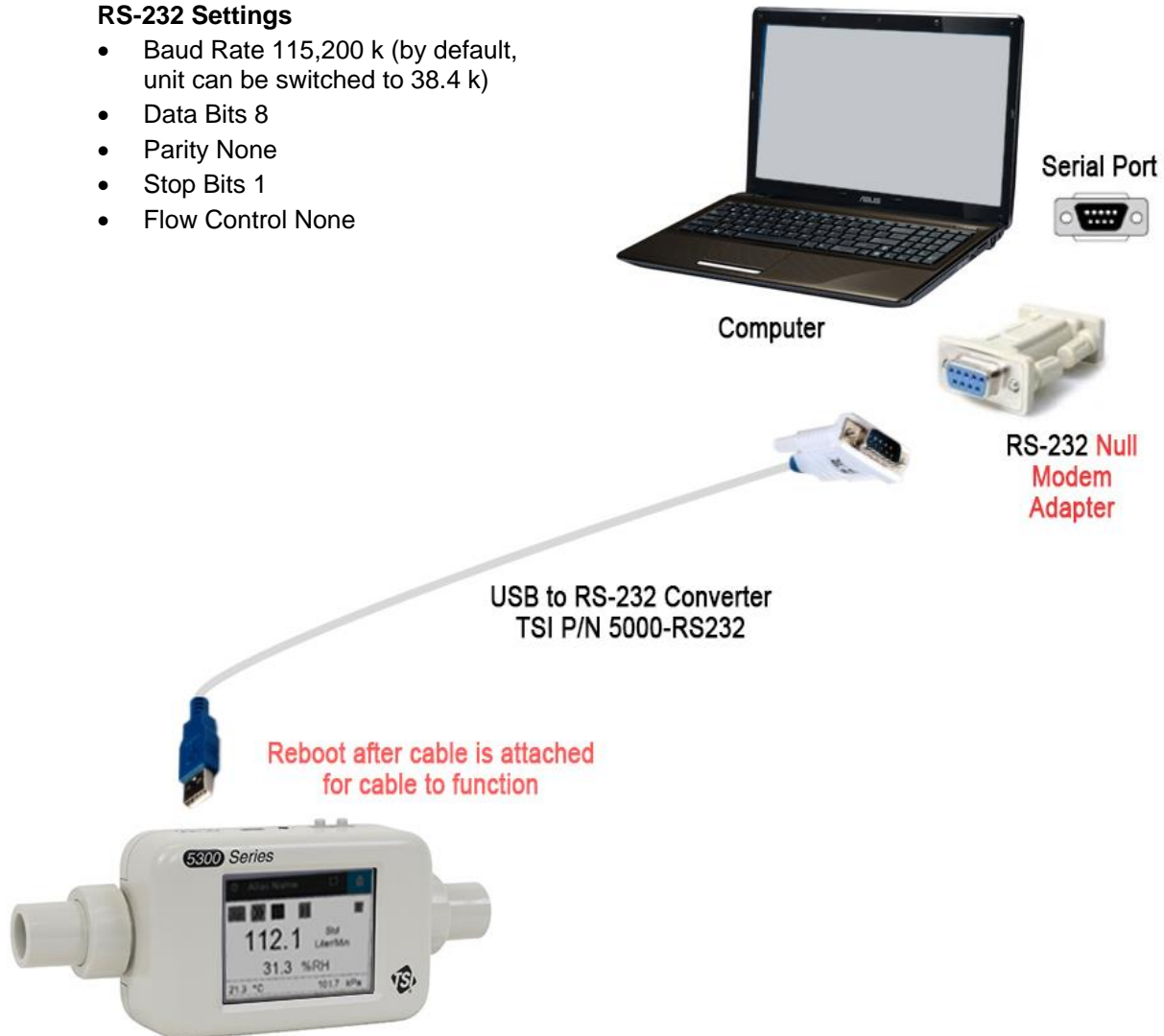
To communicate via serial, you can purchase the optional USB-A to RS-232 Serial Cable Kit (5000-RS232) which is comprised of a USB-A to RS-232 serial cable and null modem converter. The cable can be connected from either USB-A port on the meter. See the image below for connecting the Multi-Meter via RS-232.

NOTE: The Multi-Meter must be rebooted after connecting the adapter and cable in order to load the driver.

Once the cable is connected and the meter has been rebooted, you can communicate via serial with the ASCII commands found in the *Series 5200/5300 ASCII Command Set Manual*.

RS-232 Settings

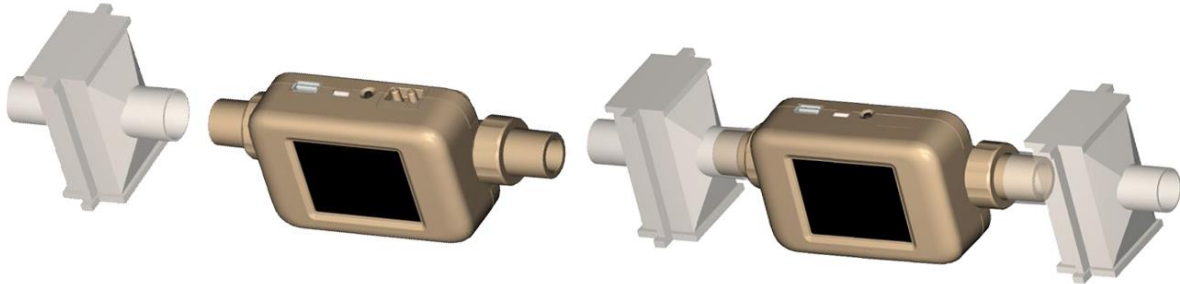
- Baud Rate 115,200 k (by default, unit can be switched to 38.4 k)
- Data Bits 8
- Parity None
- Stop Bits 1
- Flow Control None



Connecting Inlet Filter

The 5200 Series Gas Flow Multi-Meters have an exposed thermal flow sensor that is highly sensitive to foreign matter and particles within the gas flow. TSI supplies inlet filters for both low pressure and high pressure applications and recommends that these filters be used at all times while testing with the instrument. After attaching the inlet filter, connect the flow tube to the inlet side of the filter.

If you are measuring a bidirectional gas flow and are concerned about foreign matter or particles entering the flow stream from either side of your test setup, TSI recommends an inlet filter be placed on both sides of the meter.



CAUTION

Always use a filter on the inlet of the flow meter. Failure to filter the gas flow may change the calibration and/or permanently damage the sensor.

NOTE

Connecting a second inlet filter or tube to the outlet side of the 5200 Series Gas Flow Multi-Meter will create back pressure. In general, minimize back pressure on the meter to maintain the highest possible accuracy.

See [Appendix A](#) for the pressure drop created by connecting the supplied inlet filters to the 5200 Series Multi-Meter along with additional specifications.

Changing Tube Ends

The 5200 Series Gas Flow Multi-Meter incorporates interchangeable tube ends that you can easily configure without the need for special tools or additional accessories. Follow the step-by-step instructions below to remove and replace the 5200 Series Gas Flow Multi-Meter tube ends.

NOTE

5200 Series Low Flow Multi-Meter and 5300 Series High Flow Multi-Meter tube ends are not interchangeable.

Step 1: Unscrew and remove the collars then remove the tube ends by pulling them straight out of the meter.



Step 2: Select your desired size of tube ends and insert them into the meter while aligning the anti-rotation notch on the tube end with the tab on the meter.



Step 3: After aligning the tube ends into the meter, slide the collars back on and tighten them by rotating clockwise.

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Low Pressure Measurement Kit

TSI includes a Low Pressure Measurement Kit (5200-LPMK) to utilize the low differential pressure measurement available on models 5210, 5220, and 5230. The kit comes complete with the airway pressure fittings and tubing needed to connect the breathing or test circuit to the Flow Multi-Meter. See below for instructions on connecting the Low Pressure Measurement Kits to the 5200 Series.

NOTE: TSI does not require that these kits be utilized to make differential pressure measurements but provides them simply as a convenience.

5200 Series Low Pressure Measurement Kit (5200-LPMK)

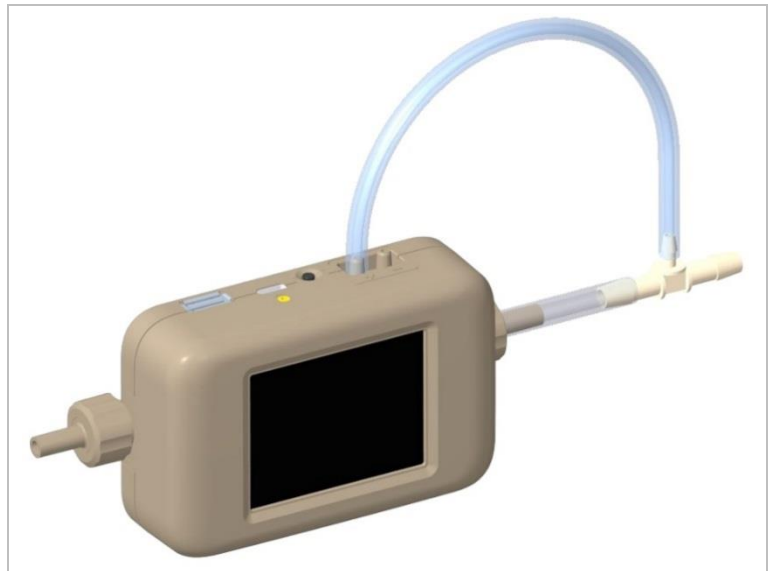
Meter Setup: 3/8 inch or 10 mm Tube Ends

1. Use a supplied 4-inch piece of 3/8 inch ID x 1/2 inch OD tubing or cut a piece to fit your desired length.
2. Connect the tubing from the meter tube end to the 3/8 inch Tee Fitting with the barb facing up.
3. Measure and cut a length of 1/8 inch ID x 1/4 inch OD tubing and connect it from the Tee Fitting barb to the (+) port on the Multi-Meter.



Meter Setup: 1/2 inch Tube Ends

1. Use a supplied 4-inch piece of 3/16 inch ID x 5/16 inch OD tubing or cut a piece to fit your desired length.
2. Connect the tubing from the meter tube end to the 1/4 inch Tee Fitting with the barb facing up.
3. Measure and cut a length of 1/8 inch ID x 1/4 inch OD tubing and connect it from the Tee Fitting barb to the (+) port on the Flow Multi-Meter.



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CHAPTER 3

Meter Operation



CAUTION

TSI flow meters are not medical devices under FDA 510k and in no situation should they be utilized for human respiration measurements.

Getting Started

Power Button

Upon providing power to the Flow Multi-Meter it will power **ON**. To power the instrument **OFF**, press and hold the Power button for 5 seconds. If power is provided to the instrument and the instrument is turned **OFF**, the Power button can be pressed once to power the instrument **ON**.

Initialization and Warm-Up

It takes approximately 40 seconds for the Flow Multi-Meter to initialize. A TSI splash screen will be displayed during this period. The meter will display measurements after initialization, but a warm-up is required for the 5200 Series to read within its accuracy specification.

Model 5230 requires a 15-minute warm-up prior to use; whereas, all other 5200 Series models require a 12-minute warm-up. No additional warm-up is needed if a meter is restarted after it has been warmed up and/or in operation.

Touchscreen Display

5200 Series Gas Flow Multi-Meters utilize a 2.8-inch color LCD touchscreen display for easy viewing and operation. The touchscreen display is resistive and responds to pressure from a finger, stylus, or other instrument. The Multi-Meter touchscreen can be operated while wearing gloves.

Measurement Parameters

The 5200 Series Gas Flow Multi-Meter measures flow rate, flow volume, temperature, absolute pressure, low differential pressure (Models 5210 and 5220 only), and relative humidity (Model 5220 only). All measurements made by the 5200 Series Multi-Meter are NIST traceable.

Flow Measurement

The 5200 Series Gas Flow Multi-Meters incorporate TSI's proprietary platinum film sensor designed for measuring gas flows with high accuracy and fast response time while minimizing the pressure drop. Flow measurements are bi-directional and depending on the model can be selected to measure air, oxygen, air/oxygen mixtures, nitrogen, and carbon dioxide. Flow measurement data is available on the meter, through FLO-Sight PC Software, or via ASCII commands.

Meter Orientation

Although the 5200 Series can measure flow in both directions, TSI recommends that flow be run through the meter from left to right as this is the orientation in which the meter was calibrated. There is an arrow printed on the bottom of the meter for reference.

Flow measured in this direction will be displayed as positive while flow measured in the reverse direction will be shown as negative.



For maximum flow accuracy at low flows, TSI also recommends that the meter be run in a horizontal orientation.

Temperature Measurement

The 5200 Series Multi-Meters have an independent temperature transducer in the flow tube to measure and display the gas temperature. The temperature sensor is also used for temperature compensation of flow rate and for converting flow from standard to volumetric units. Temperature measurement data is available on the meter, through FLO-Sight PC Software, or via ASCII commands.

NOTE

At low flow rates, the temperature inside of the flow tube will increase because of the heat generated by the thermal flow sensor. This effect is normal and the temperature of the incoming gas will be measured once flow resumes.

Absolute Pressure Measurement

The 5200 Series Multi-Meters measure absolute or barometric pressure near the outlet of the flow path. This pressure measurement is required for converting standard flow to volumetric flow. Absolute pressure measurement data is available on the meter, through FLO-Sight PC Software, or via ASCII commands.

Low Differential Pressure Measurement

Models 5210, 5220, and 5230 Flow Multi-Meters have the ability to measure differential pressure, also known as breathing circuit pressure. The pressure differential of flows can be measured at the meter or at any point along the circuit. Low pressure measurement data is available on the meter, through FLO-Sight PC Software, or via ASCII commands. When combined with absolute pressure, low pressure readings can be used to calculate a volume flow rate at a remote point in the system. See Appendix D for more information on [Remote Flow Measurements](#).

Relative Humidity Measurement

Models 5220 and 5230 Gas Flow Multi-Meter includes a relative humidity sensor near the inlet of the flow path. In addition to providing a humidity measurement, sensor readings are used to compensate the air flow for humidity effects to provide an equivalent dry-gas flow measurement. Relative humidity measurement data is available through the meter, FLO-Sight PC Software, or via ASCII commands.

NOTE

Humidity compensation does not apply to oxygen or carbon dioxide gas flows.

Volume Measurement

5200 Series Gas Flow Multi-Meters measure total volume by integrating flow over time. This is a calculated measurement performed by the Multi-Meter and is controlled through triggers. You can set begin and end triggers for volume measurements using flow rate, absolute pressure, or low differential pressure values.

See the topic "[Volume and Triggers](#)" in Chapter 4 of this manual for more information on triggering and volume measurements. For models 5210, 5220, and 5230 you can set triggers and take volume

measurements through the meter or with FLO-Sight PC Software. Volume measurements are available via ASCII commands for all 5200 Series models.

Totalizer Measurement

All 5200 Series Gas Flow Multi-Meters include a totalizer feature that measures total volume by integrating flow over time. This is a calculated measurement performed by the meter and operates as a running total. The totalizer count begins automatically when the meter is powered, even if the parameter is not displayed. You can reset the totalizer count back to zero within the meter. Totalizer measurements can be viewed on the meter and in FLO-Sight PC Software.

Units of Measurement

The 5200 Series Gas Flow Multi-Meter allows for user-selectable units of measurement options for all available measurement parameters. Units of measurement can be configured directly through the meter or with FLO-Sight PC Software. Please see ["Configuring the Meter"](#) in Chapter 4 for instructions on changing units.

The table below outlines the default units and optional user-selectable units for each measurement parameter.

Measurement	Factory Default Units	Optional User-Selectable Units
Flow	Liters per Minute (L/min)	Cubic Feet per Minute (ft ³ /min)
Flow Gas Standard	Standard (Std)	Volumetric (Vol) Actual (Act) Remote (Rem)
Temperature	Degrees Celsius (°C)	Degrees Fahrenheit (°F)
Absolute Pressure	Kilopascals (kPa)	Pascals (Pa) Hectopascals (hPa) Millibars (mbar) Pounds per Square Inch (PSI) Inches of Water (inH ₂ O) Centimeters of Water (cmH ₂ O) Millimeters of Mercury (mmHg)
Low Pressure (5210, 5220, 5230 models only)	Centimeters of Water (cmH ₂ O)	Pascals (Pa) Hectopascals (hPa) Kilopascals (kPa) Millibars (mbar) Pounds per Square Inch (PSI) Inches of Water (inH ₂ O) Millimeters of Mercury (mmHg)
Relative Humidity (models 5220, 5230 only)	Percent Relative Humidity (%RH)	Temperature Dew Point in Degrees Celsius (TdpC) Temperature Dew Point in Degrees Fahrenheit (TdpF)
Volume	Liters (L)	Milliliters (mL) Cubic Feet (ft ³)
Totalizer	Liters (L)	Milliliters (mL) Cubic Feet (ft ³)

Type of Gas

The 5200 Series is capable of measuring Air, Nitrogen, Oxygen, Air/Oxygen Mix, or Carbon Dioxide depending on the model. You can select the type of gas to be measured from the available gas calibrations on your meter. The type of gas can be set on the meter directly, through FLO-Sight PC Software, or via ASCII commands.

Model Numbers based on Gas Calibration

	Air Only	Air, O ₂ , Air/ O ₂ Mix	Air, CO ₂	O ₂ Only	CO ₂ Only
5200 Series	5200-1	5200-2	5200-3	5200-6	5200-7

Meter Configuration

The 5200 Series Multi-Meter enables you to select measurement parameters to display, units of measurement, and the type of gas to be measured directly from the meter's touchscreen display.

There is an option to lock the meter which restricts you from changing measurement settings directly from the Meter Home Screen. The lock function is set to disabled as its default so that measurement settings can be changed freely.

If the lock function is enabled, you must unlock the meter before you can make changes to measurement settings on the Meter Home Screen. You can lock and unlock the screen through the meter itself, but the lock function can only be enabled and disabled through FLO-Sight PC Software.

See "[Configuring the Meter](#)" in Chapter 4 for step-by-step instructions on configuring the meter through the touchscreen display. Additional settings can be configured using FLO-Sight PC Software or with ASCII commands.

Data Logging

Series 5200 Multi-Meters can save measurement data on their internal memory which can be exported for viewing and analysis. Models 5210, 5220, and 5230 enable you to log data and configure logging parameters directly from the meter. See "[Data Logging](#)" in Chapter 4 for instructions on logging data through the meter. Data logging can also be done with the advanced version of the FLO-Sight PC Software for all 5000 Series Models. Please refer to the *FLO-Sight PC Software Manual* for more information.

The table below shows the preset data logging configurations available on the meter and specifies the number of sample points collected for each configuration. A blank field indicates the configuration is unavailable from the touchscreen display. For example, the box for a 1 second Test Length @ 100 ms Sample Time Intervals is blank and is therefore unavailable on the meter.

Preset Logging Configurations and Sample Points

Sample Time Interval	Test Lengths							
	1 sec	5 secs	15 secs	1 min	10 mins	1 hour	5 hours	24 hours
1 ms	1000	5000	15000					
5 ms	200	1000	3000					
100 ms		50	150	600				
1 second				60	600	3600		
5 seconds					120	720	3600	
1 minute						60	300	1440
5 minutes						12	60	288

NOTE: Sample time intervals and test lengths can be customized with FLO-Sight PC Software.

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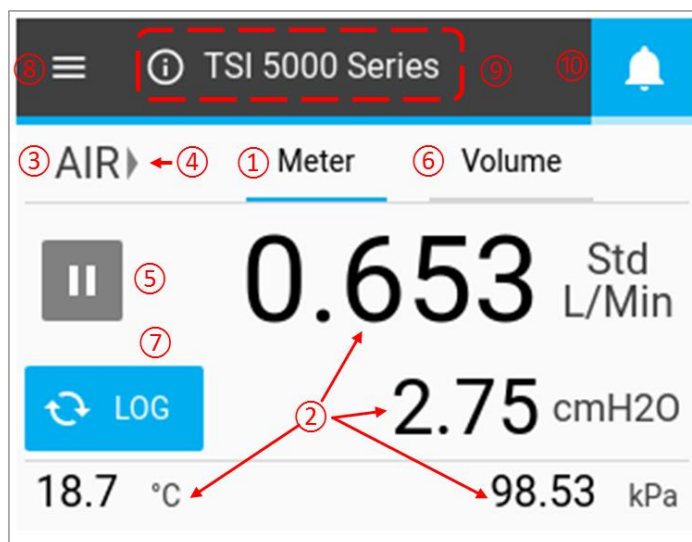


Touchscreen Navigation

Display Overview

Meter Home Screen

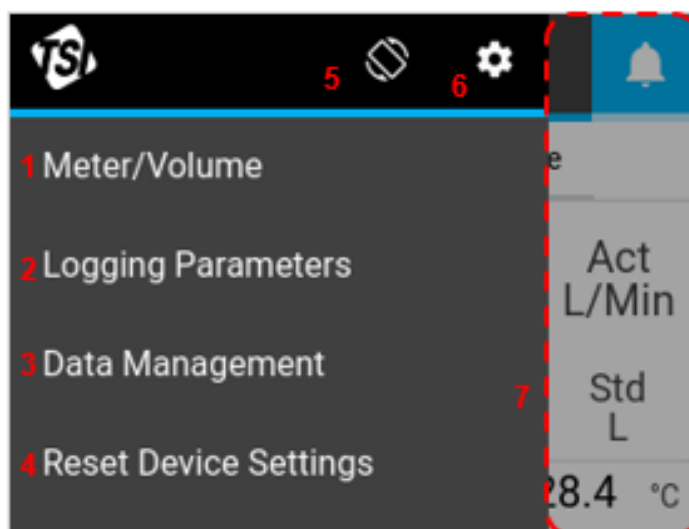
Upon startup, the home screen of the meter will be loaded. The home screen is where you will see real-time data for multiple measurements, interact with the display, and make changes to the meter through the settings menu.



1. Meter Home Tab	6. Volume and Triggers Tab *
2. Measurement Readings	7. Log Data Button *
3. Type of Gas	8. Menu Drop-down Screen
4. Flow Directional Indicator	9. Device Name and Information
5. Pause Display Button	10. Alerts Indicator

*Available on 5210, 5220, and 5230 models only

Menu Screen

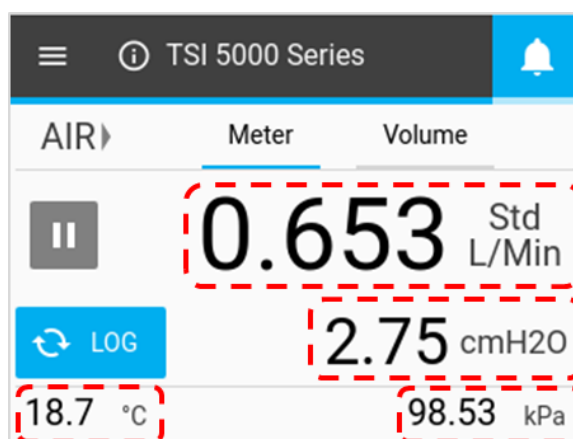


1. Go to Meter Home Screen	5. Rotate Display 180°
2. Set Logging Parameters *	6. Settings Menu
3. Data Management *	7. Press anywhere outside menu to close menu screen
4. Reset Device Settings	

*Available on 5210, 5220, and 5230 models only

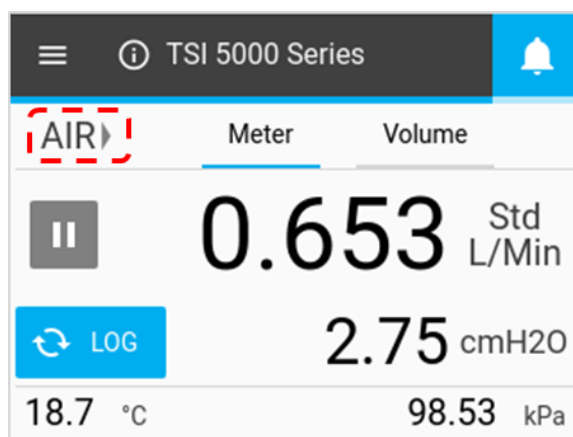
Measurements

Up to four measurement parameters can be displayed simultaneously on the home screen. You can configure the fields to display any available measurement parameters as well as change units of measurement.



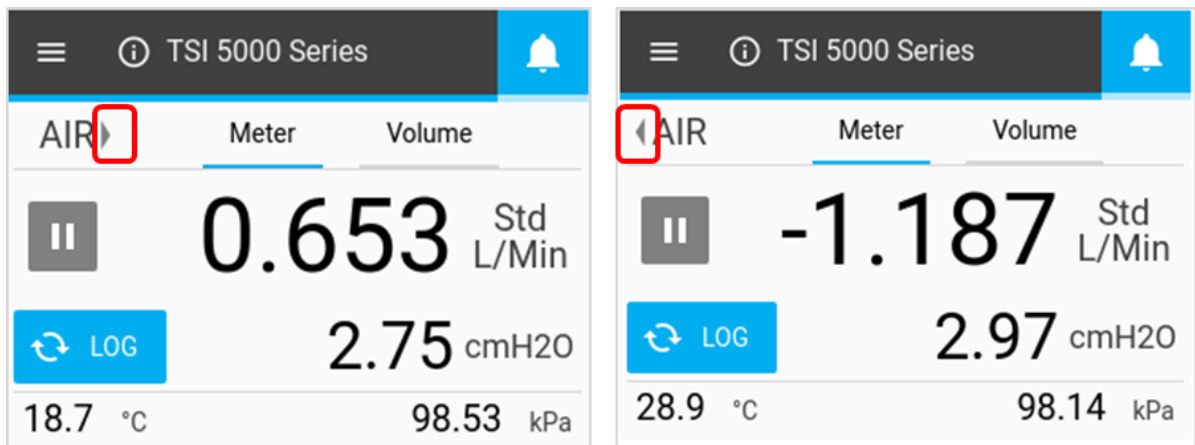
Type of Gas

The Meter Home Screen displays the active gas calibration for the Flow Multi-Meter. Certain models may be calibrated for a single gas while others may be calibrated to measure multiple gases. The type of gas can be changed after unlocking the meter for configuration. See ["Configuring the Meter"](#) in Chapter 4 for instructions on changing the gas type.



Flow Directional Indicators

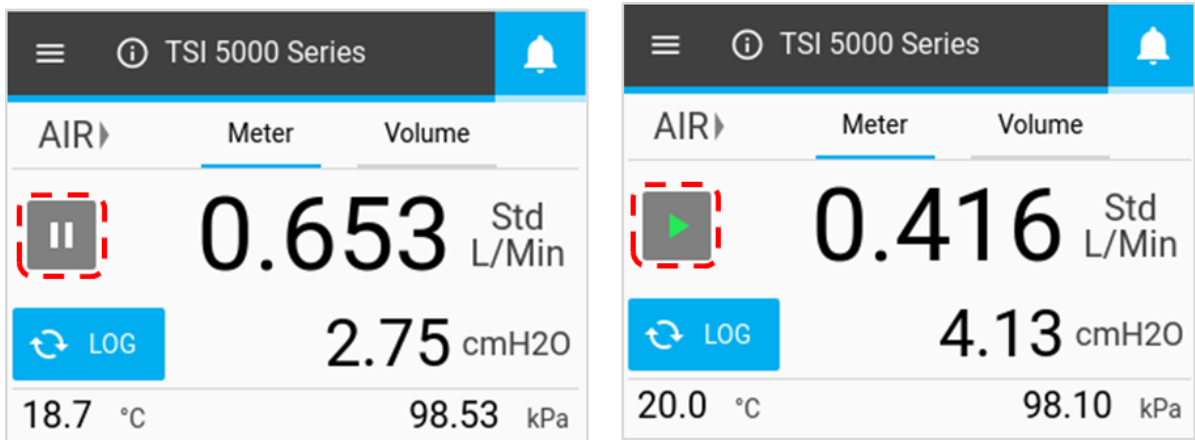
On either side of the “**Type of Gas**” field, arrows point in the direction of gas flow through the meter and correspond with changes in the direction of flow. In the default bidirectional mode, flow moving from left to right → through the meter is shown as positive. Flow moving from right to left ← through the meter is shown as negative. If the flow is zero, no indicator arrows will be displayed.



Pause/Play Display

The **Pause** button is used to pause the display from updating. When the **Pause** button is pressed, the current measurement values will remain fixed on the screen. The meter will continue to make measurements while paused, and pausing the display does not affect any active datalog sessions.

When paused, the button's icon will change to a green play icon and the display function will become disabled (grayed out). Press anywhere on the screen to re-enable display functionality. To un-pause the display and resume screen updates, press the **Play** button.

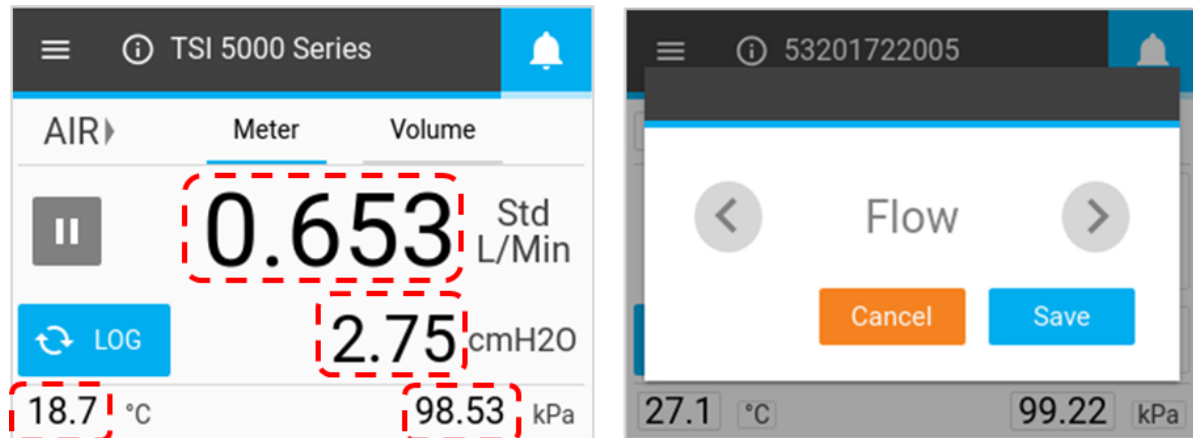


Configuring the Meter

On the Meter Home Screen you can change the measurement parameters, units of measure, and the type of gas to be measured. Changes can be made on the **Meter** tab and the **Volume** tab (if available).

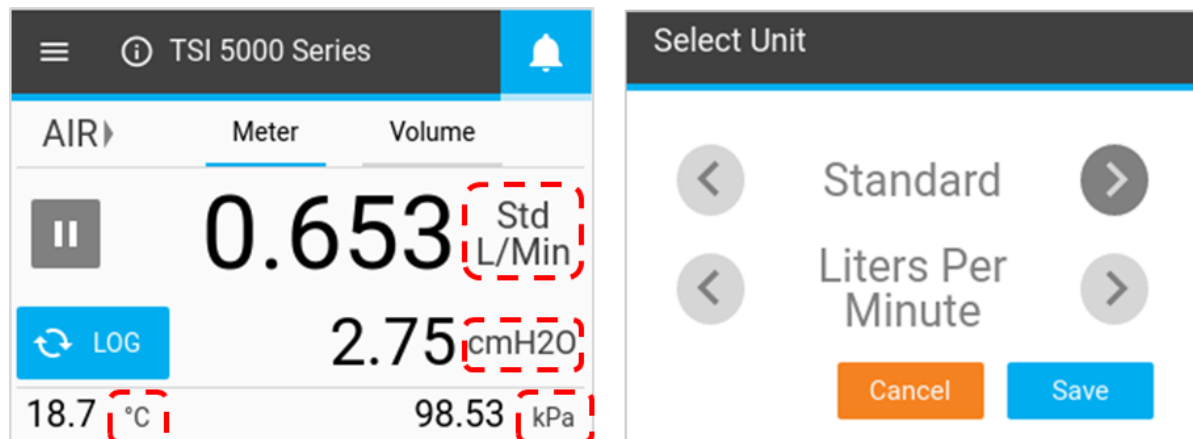
Measurement Parameters

Press a value field, use the scroll arrows to select a parameter, and click **Save**.



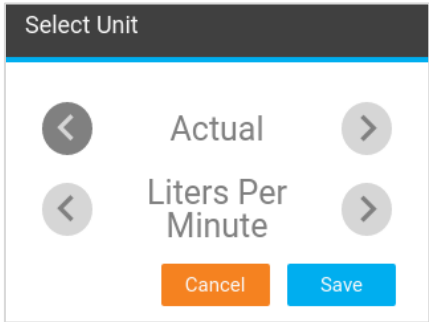
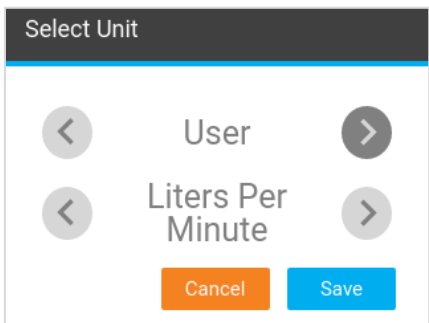
Units of Measurement

Press a units field, use the scroll arrows to select the desired units, and click **Save**.



Flow Conditions

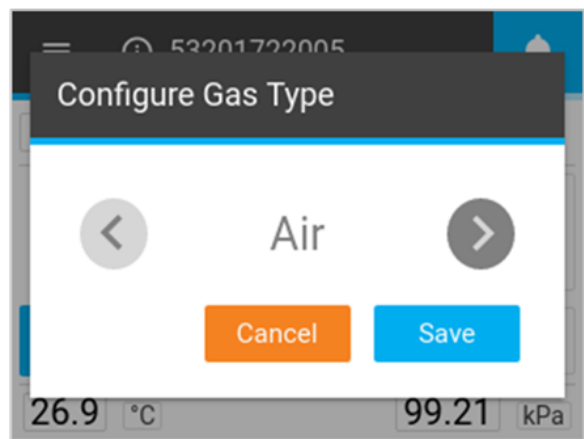
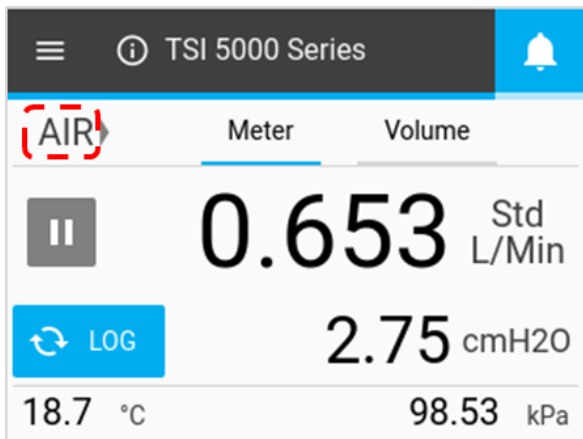
When **Flow** is selected as a measurement parameter, you have the option to select how the flow measurement is calculated and displayed. These options are available in the **Select Unit** dialog box that appears when the Units of Measurement field is pressed for a flow measurement.

Standard	This is flow rate the air would be moving if the temperature and pressure were at standard conditions. For TSI instruments, standard conditions are defined at 21.1°C (70°F) and 101.3 kPa (14.7 psia).	
Actual	This uses the actual temperature and pressure of the gas to deliver the volumetric flow rate. This is the true volume flow of the gas exiting the flow meter.	
User	This factor allows you to apply your own temperature and pressure conditions to the gas flow. You can specify these conditions with FLO-Sight PC Software.	
Remote	This option allows you to calculate volume flow rate at a remote point in the system using the absolute pressure and differential pressure measurements. See Appendix D for more information on Remote Flow Measurements .	

Type of Gas

Press the type of gas field, use the scroll arrows to select the type of gas, and click **Save**.

NOTE: If an Air/Oxygen mix is selected, the meter assigns a 21% oxygen mix. The oxygen concentration can be customized using FLO-Sight PC Software.



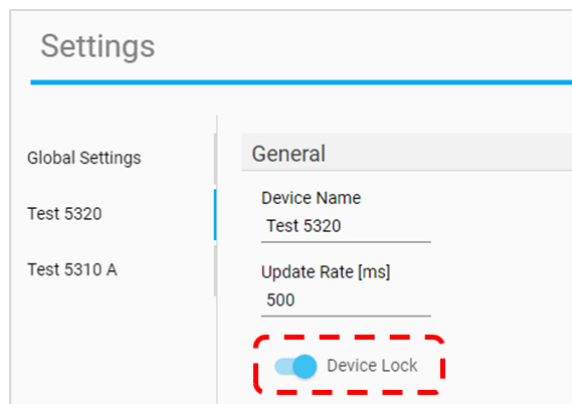
Locking the Meter

There is an option to lock the meter which restricts you from changing measurement settings directly from the Meter Home Screen. With the lock function enabled, you must unlock the meter before you can make changes to measurement settings on the Meter Home Screen.

You can lock and unlock the screen through the meter itself, but the lock function can only be enabled and disabled through FLO-Sight PC Software. The lock function is set to disabled as its default so that measurement settings can be changed freely.

Enable Meter Locking

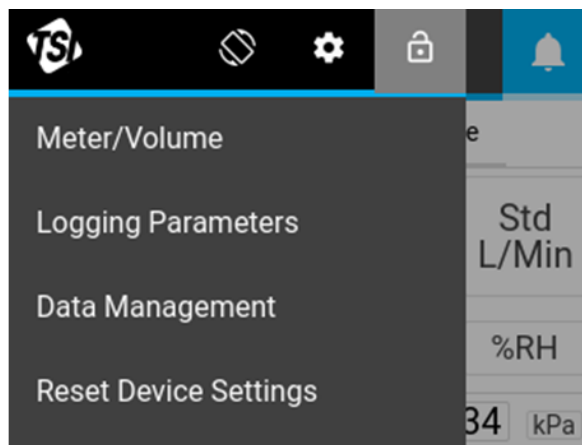
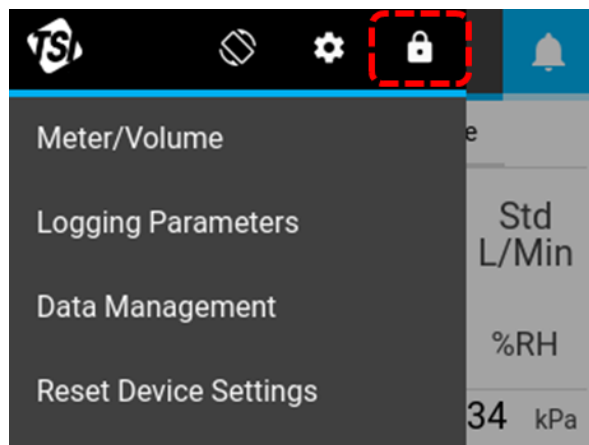
To enable the locking function, connect the meter to FLO-Sight PC Software, click on the menu icon in the software and select **Settings**. Make sure the device you want to configure is selected, press the **Edit** button, click the **Device Lock** toggle switch, and press **Save**. The meter is now locked and you will not be able to change measurement parameters, units of measurement, or the gas type without first unlocking the meter.



Unlock / Lock the Meter

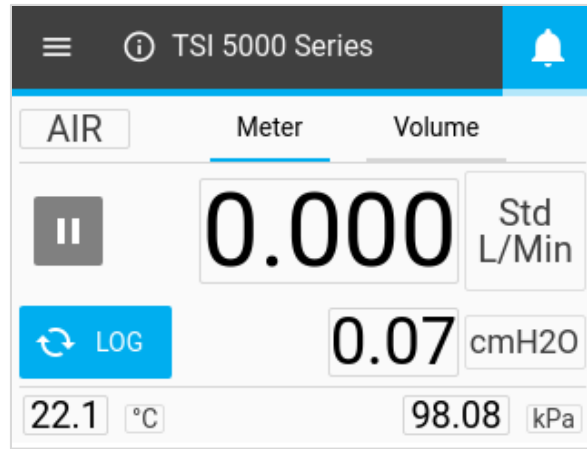
Once the lock function is enabled through FLO-Sight PC Software, a lock icon will become visible in the Menu header of the Flow Multi-Meter. You now must first unlock the meter before you can configure measurement settings on the Meter Home Screen.

To unlock the meter, select the Menu drop-down on the Home screen then select the **Lock** icon in the Menu header. Once unlocked, the lock icon will change to an open lock and you can freely change measurement settings on the Meter Home Screen.



With the meter unlocked, navigate back to the Meter Home Screen by selecting **Meter/Volume** from the menu. The fields unlocked for configuration on the Meter Home Screen will have a gray box displayed around them.

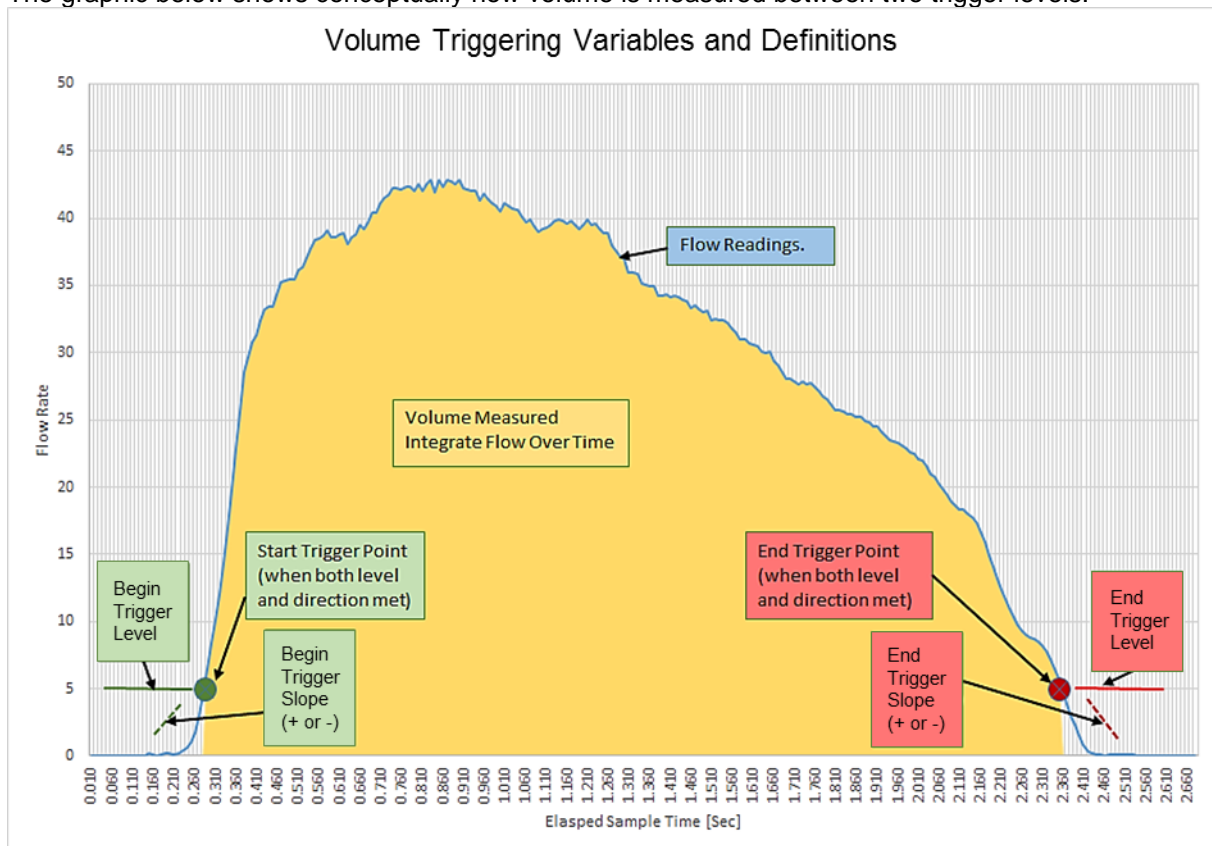
The meter will remain unlocked and open for changes until you lock the meter. To lock the meter and restrict changes to the Meter Home Screen, navigate to the Menu drop-down and press the **Lock** icon. Once locked, the lock icon will change to back closed and you will no longer be able to change measurement settings on the Meter Home Screen.



Volume and Triggers


Volume is a calculated measurement that integrates flow over time and is controlled through triggers. This feature is available through the meter for models 5210, 5220, and 5230 only and is located on the **Volume** tab of the meter. You can control your volume measurements by selecting the trigger parameter, trigger mode, and begin/end trigger values.

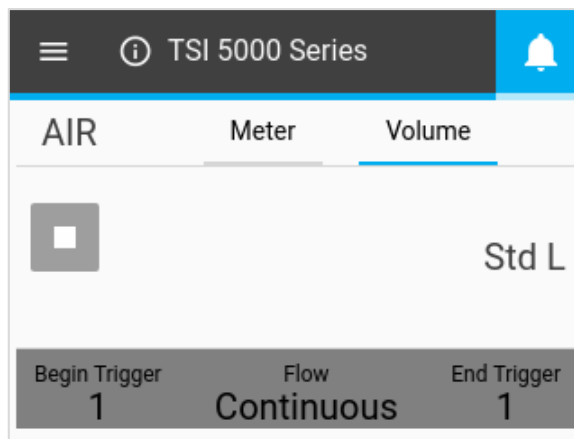
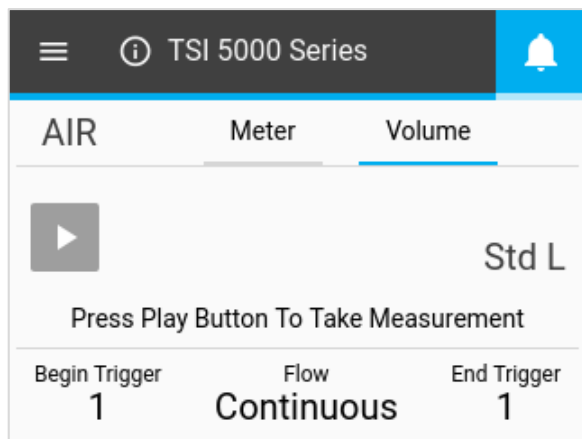
The graphic below shows conceptually how volume is measured between two trigger levels.



Setting Triggers

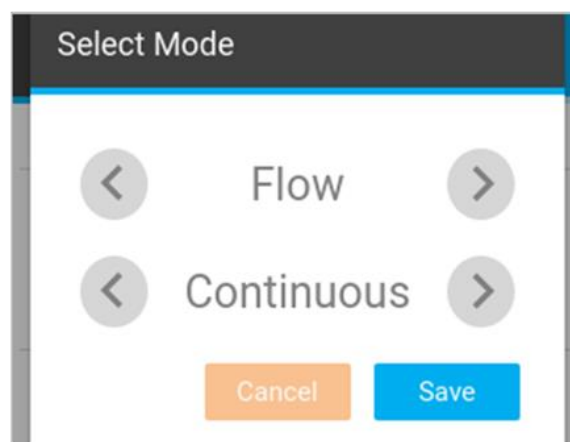
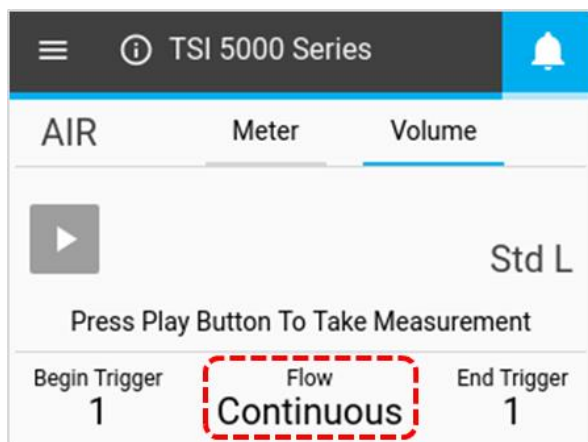
The meter must be stopped to edit trigger settings. On the **Volume** tab, confirm that the meter is stopped (shown below left) and press on the field you would like to edit.

If a volume measurement is active (shown below right), then press the **Stop**  button to cancel the measurement and allow edits to be made to trigger settings.



Select Mode

With the volume screen stopped, press the middle fields to bring up the Select Mode dialog box. In this screen you can choose your Trigger Parameter (Flow, Absolute Pressure, or Low Differential Pressure) and Test Mode (Single or Continuous testing). Use the arrows to scroll through the selection options and click **Save** to complete.



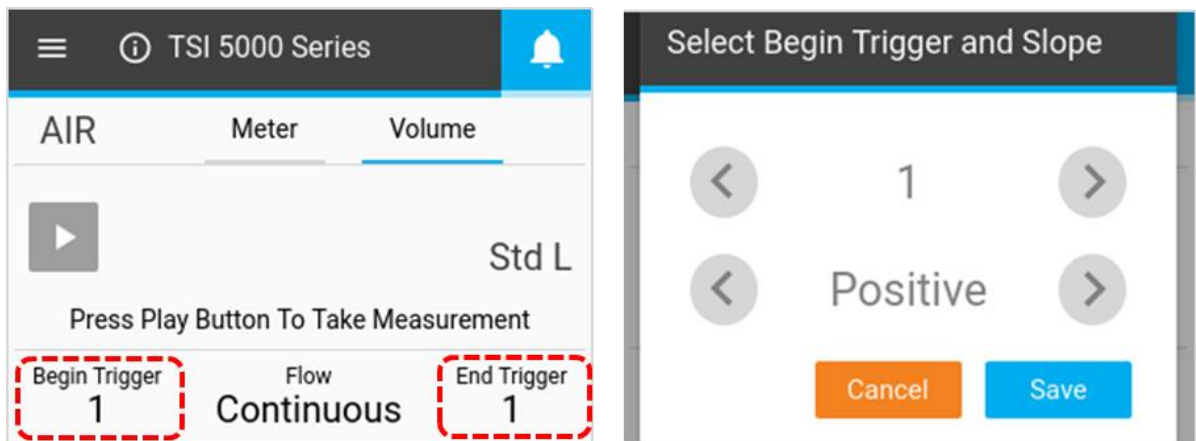
Trigger Parameter	Flow, Absolute Pressure, or Low Pressure
Test Mode	Single or Continuous

Single Test Mode: You must press the **Play** button before each volume measurement is taken.

Continuous Test Mode: The meter will continually make volume measurements each time the begin trigger condition is met.

Begin/End Triggers and Slope

With the volume screen stopped, press the fields that you would like to edit. In the Select Trigger and Slope screens, you can select your Begin Trigger or End Trigger values and the Slopes of the triggers. Use the arrows to scroll and select your Trigger Values and the Slopes of the values (Positive or Negative). Once you have made your selections, click the **Save** button.



Begin / End Trigger Values	Select from available values
Begin / End Trigger Slopes	Positive or Negative

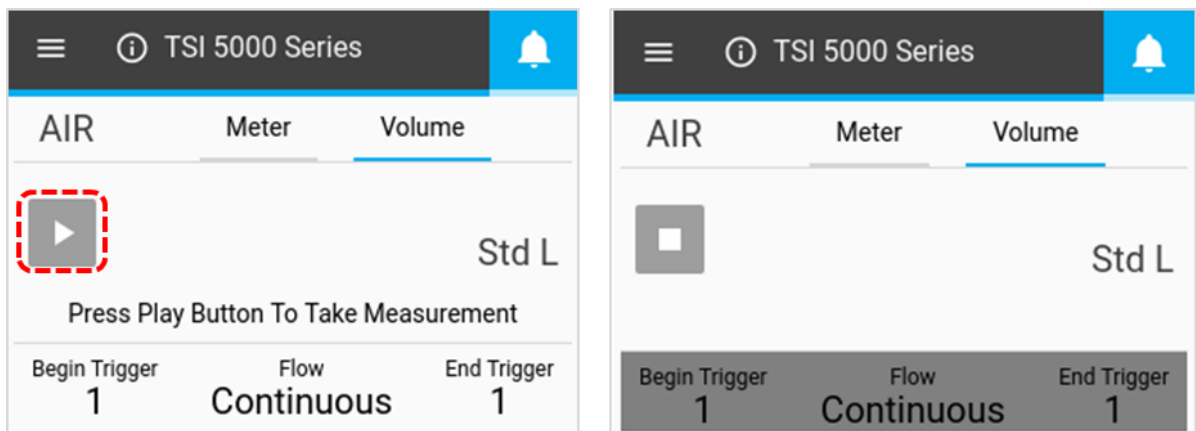
The slope of the trigger is the direction of the trigger parameter measurement reading as it passes the trigger value as defined by you. A positive slope is ascending measurement readings (ex. 1, 2, 3, 4) and a negative slope is descending readings (ex. 4, 3, 2, 1).

Please note the trigger options for the volume begin and end triggers. These are set as the default options and cannot be changed by you.

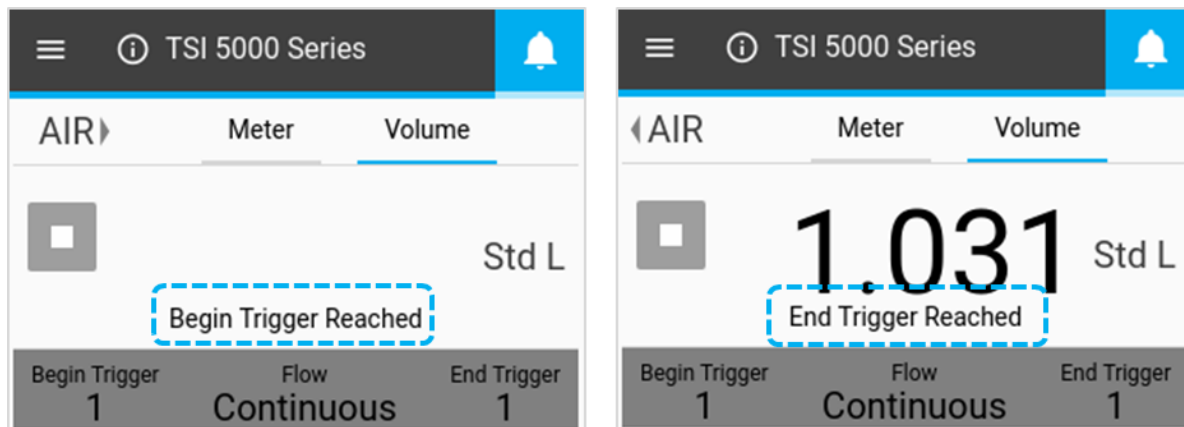
Trigger	Units	Trigger Values
Flow	Std L/min	+/- 0.1, 0.5, 1, 2, 3, 5, 7.5, 10, 20
Absolute Pressure	kPa	90, 95, 98, 100, 102, 104, 107, 110
Low Differential Pressure	cmH ₂ O	+/- 0.5, 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 10

Making Volume Measurements

Once all settings have been saved, press the **Play** button to lock trigger settings and begin making volume measurements.



Once the **Play** button is pressed to take measurements, the Flow Multi-Meter will notify you on screen when the Begin Trigger, and then End Trigger, is reached. After the end trigger is reached, the meter will display the calculated volume measurement.

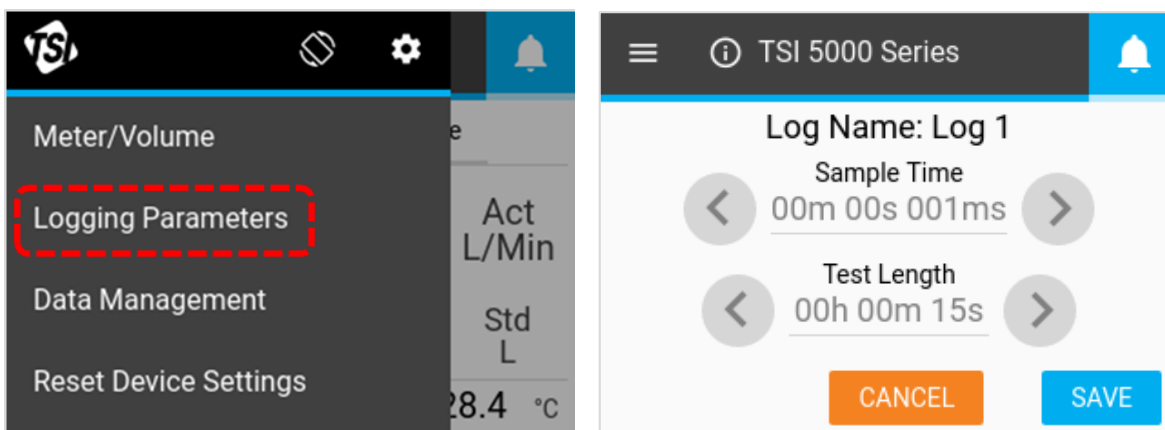


Data Logging

Models 5210, 5220, and 5230 enable you to configure logging parameters and initiate data logging sessions directly from your Flow Multi-Meter. On the Meter Home Screen of these models, a Log button will be visible. In the Menu drop-down screen, these models will display options for “**Logging Parameters**” and “**Data Management**.”

Logging Parameters

From the Meter Home Screen, press the **Menu** button and select **Logging Parameters** from the drop-down menu. In the Logging Parameters screen, use the scroll arrows to select the Sample Time (aka sample rate) and Test Length for data logs. The Log Name is automatically generated for each data file (ex. Log 1, Log 2, Log 3...). Once selections have been made, click on **SAVE**.



Sample Time

The sample time determines the rate at which the Flow Multi-Meter will store measurement data points. All data points are the average of 1 ms readings. For example, a 50 ms sample rate would log 20 data points per second with each data point being comprised of the average of 50 one-millisecond readings.

Test Length

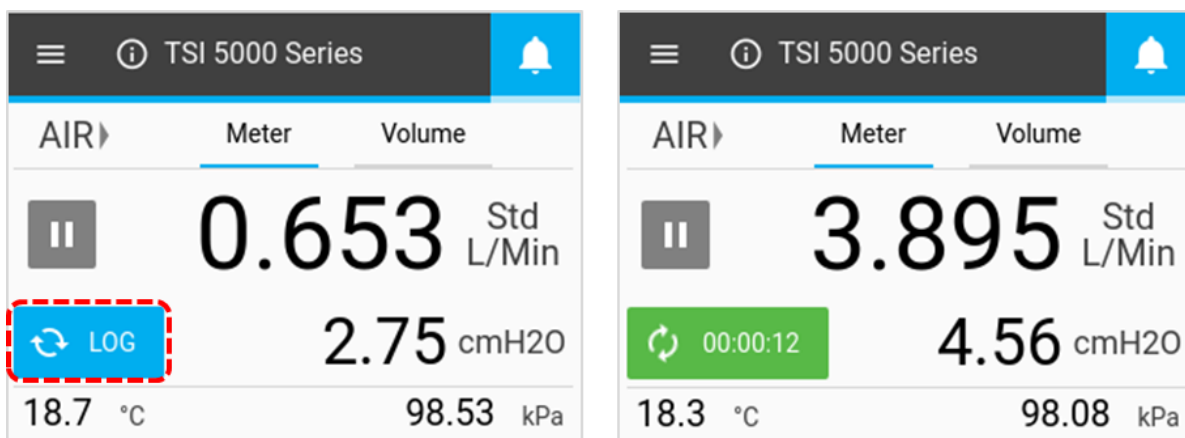
The test length determines the duration of the data logging session.

NOTE: The Sample Time and Test Length fields are interrelated, and changing the option for one may result in the option changing for the other. See the table [“Preset Logging Configurations and Sample Points”](#) in Chapter 3 of this manual for more information. Custom sample times and test lengths can be specified when logging data through FLO-Sight PC Software.

Log Data

To log data, press the **LOG** button from the Meter Home Screen. Once pressed, the Log button will turn green and a clock will count down the test length time. After the logging session is complete, a log file will be created and the log button will return to its normal state.

To stop an active data logging session, press the green data logging countdown button and select **Stop**. No data file is created when a logging session is stopped.

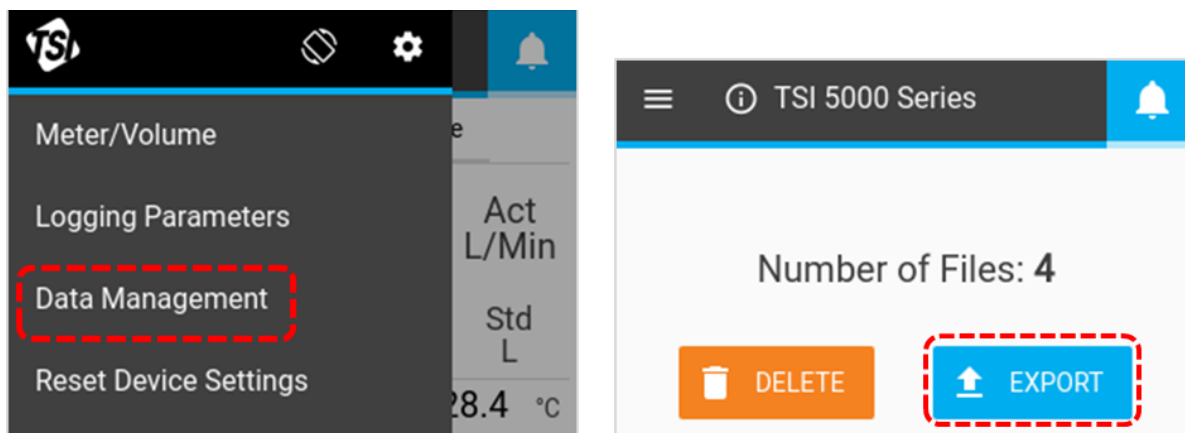


NOTE: The meter will log data for all available measurement parameters (not including volume or totalizer measurements) regardless of what is displayed on the screen.

Export Data Files

Logged data is saved in the meter's internal memory with each logging session creating a new file. To export data files, insert a USB flash drive into either of the meter's USB-A ports, press the **Menu** button from the Meter Home Screen, and select **Data Management** from the drop-down menu. The Data Management screen displays the number of logged data files stored on the meter. A maximum of 20 datalog files can be stored on the Flow Multi-Meter.

Select **EXPORT** to copy all stored datalog files onto the inserted USB flash drive.



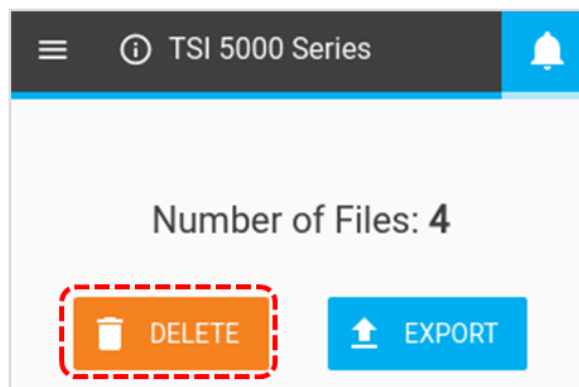
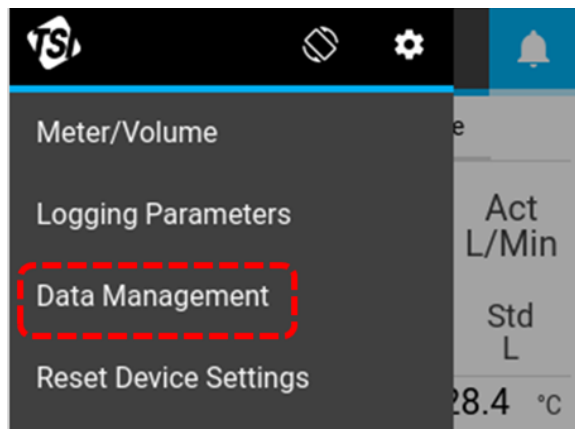
Exported data log files are saved in .csv format. Once on the flash drive, you can edit file names, transfer the files to other devices, or delete the files at your discretion. In addition to measurement readings, the .csv file (shown below) contains information about the meter, data logging parameters, and gas conditions.

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1	Device Model	5320				
2	Serial Number	53201821003				
3	Device Name	53201821003				
4	Log Name	Log 1				
5	Gas Calibration	air				
6	Air/O2 Mixture	N/A				
7	Humidity Comp	Yes				
8	Bidirectional Flow	Yes				
9	User Gas Standard (Temp)	21.11				
10	User Gas Standard (Pres)	101.3				
11						
12	Time	Flow	Humidity	Temperature	Absolute Pressure	Low Pressure
13	[Second]	[Standard L/min]	[RH]	[C]	[kPa]	[cmH2O]
14	0.1	-0.0966	43.3785	31.101	98.3291	-0.0703
15	0.2	-0.0361	43.4023	31.0961	98.3485	0.0198
16	0.3	-0.0247	43.5093	31.0344	98.3743	-0.0732

Delete Data Files

To delete logged data files, select **Data Management** from the Menu drop-down and press the **DELETE** button. This will delete all files from the device; individual files cannot be deleted through the meter.

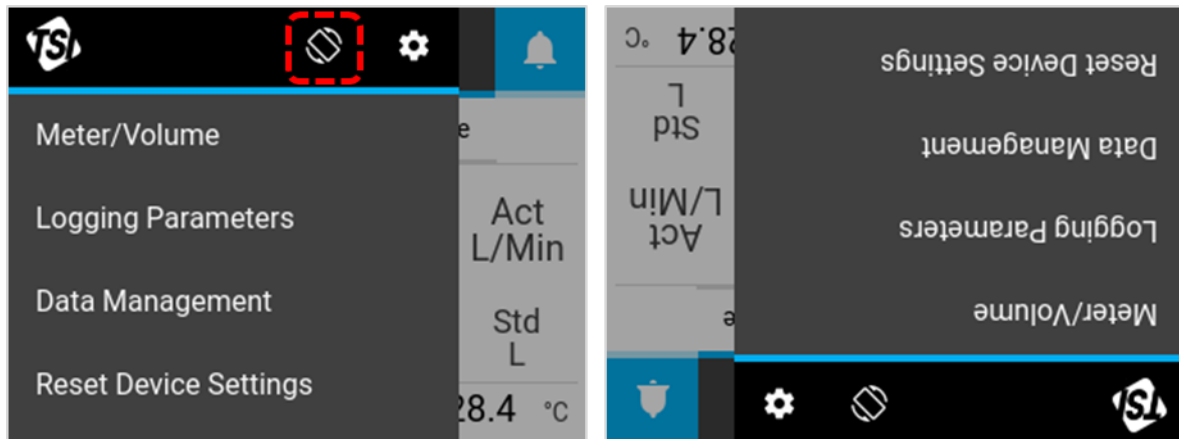
NOTE: Additional data management functionality is available through FLO-Sight PC Software.



Rotate Screen

You can rotate the screen of the 5200 Series Multi-Meter to make it easier to view readings during challenging test setups. The **Rotate Screen** icon is located in the Menu Header, and when pressed, will rotate the meter's screen 180 degrees.

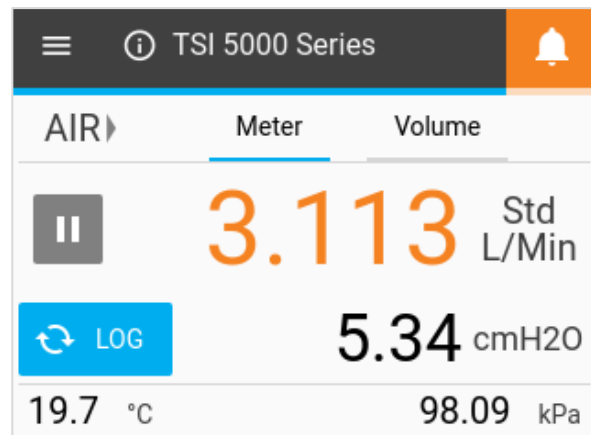
NOTE: Directional flow indicators will remain unchanged.



Alerts

The Series 5200 Flow Multi-Meter can display alert conditions when user-set thresholds for a specified parameter are met. Alerts can only be set through the advanced version of FLO-Sight PC Software.

When an alert threshold is met, the Bell icon on the meter will turn orange. The value of the parameter that caused the alert will also turn orange. When the threshold is no longer met, the alert will cease and the colors will change back to normal.

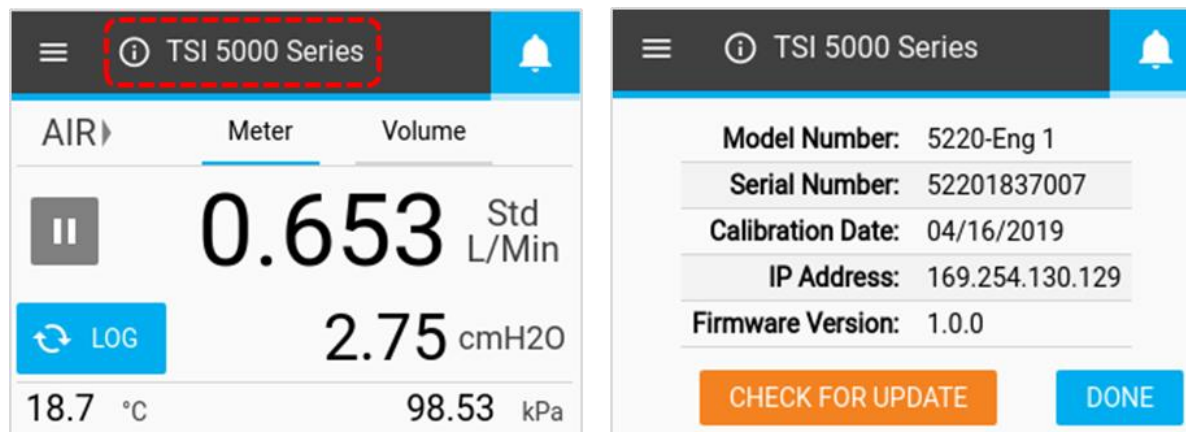


Meter Information

Pressing the Information icon or Device Name on the Home Screen will display information about the meter.

Device Name

The name of the device is displayed in the Header Bar on the Home Screen with the text “**TSI 5000 Series**” as the default text. The device name can be edited through FLO-Sight PC Software only. Select the **DONE** button to return to the Home Screen.



Model Number

This field displays the model number of the instrument (ex. 5220). The dash number is the gas calibration of the meter (example above displays “Eng” in this spot). There will be a letter or number after the model-dash number that represents the hardware revision (ex. “1” in the above screenshot).

Serial Number

This is the serial number of the meter. The naming convention is as follows: 5XXX YYWW XXX

5XXX =	Model Configuration (ex. 5220)
YY =	Year of Manufacture
WW =	Week of Manufacture
XXX =	Manufactured Unit Number

Calibration Date

This is the date that the instrument was last calibrated by TSI. TSI recommends an annual calibration for all Flow meters.

IP Address

Each 5200 Series Flow Multi-Meter will have its own unique IP address. The IP address can be used in establishing communication with a computer and communicating via ASCII commands. Please see the *Series 5200/5300 ASCII Command Set Manual* for more information on communicating with ASCII commands.

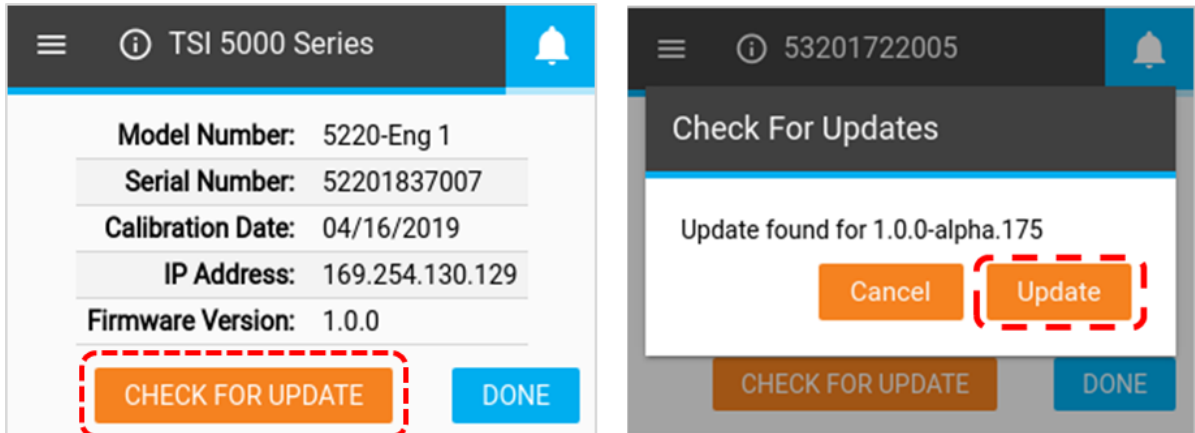
Firmware Version

This field displays the current firmware version being used by the Flow Multi-Meter. Firmware updates can be uploaded through the USB-A port of the meter. The **Check for Update** button on the Meter Information screen is used to load firmware updates from an inserted USB drive.

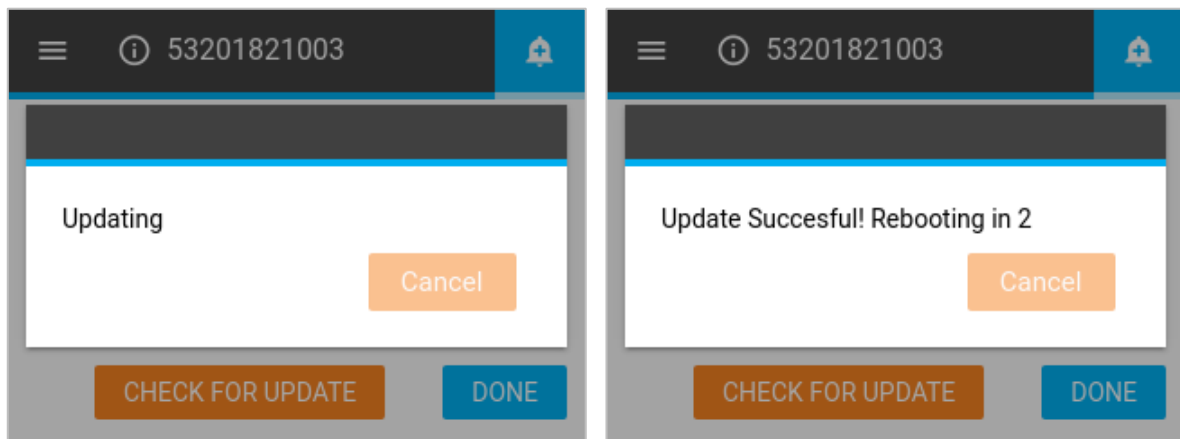
Updating Firmware

TSI may periodically release firmware updates for the 5000 Series. These update utilities can be downloaded from www.tsi.com and then installed on the Flow Multi-Meter. Any additional instructions for downloading files will be available at the time updates are released.

When an update is available, save the file to a USB flash drive and insert the drive into either USB-A port on the meter. Wait a second after inserting for the meter to recognize the flash drive then select the **CHECK FOR UPDATE** button from the Meter Information screen. If an update is located, an “**Update found...**” message will appear. Click on the **Update** button to load the firmware update.

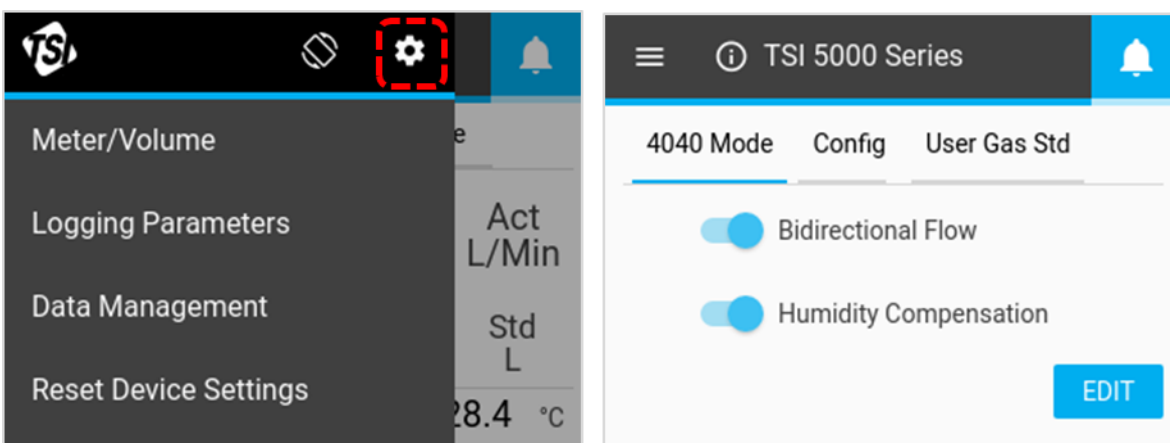


Please allow up to several minutes for the meter to update its firmware. Once complete, an “**Update Successful!**” message will display briefly and the meter will automatically reboot. After reboot the meter will be ready for operation. If the meter does not initialize after the firmware update, an additional instrument reboot may be necessary.



Device Settings

In the Device Settings screen, you can view and edit device settings such as flow control, humidity compensation, display update rate, and gas standard conditions. Open the Device Settings screen by navigating to the Menu Screen and pressing the Gear icon in the header bar. The Device Settings screen is comprised of three tabs: [4040 Mode](#), [Config](#), and [User Gas Std](#).

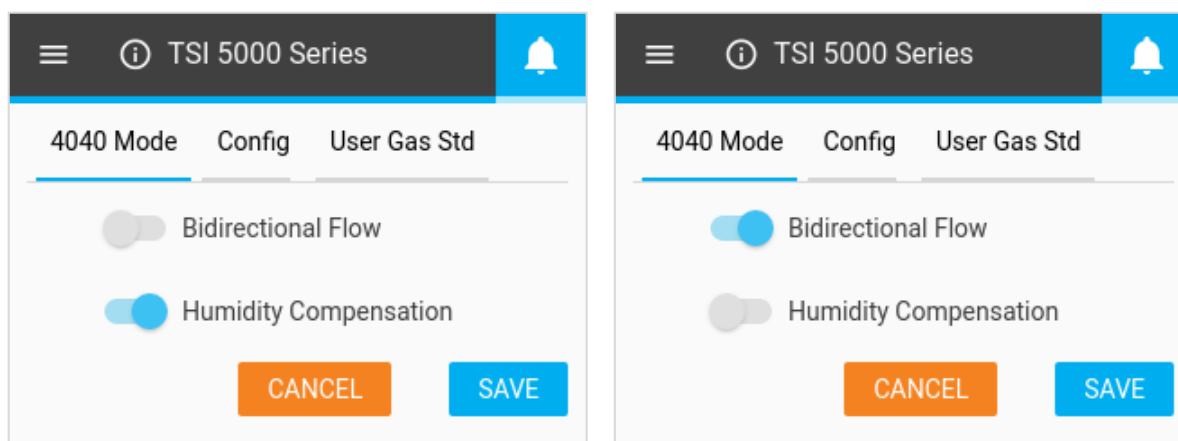


4040 Mode

On the **4040 Mode** tab in the Device Settings, you can disable the Bidirectional Flow and Humidity Compensation features, returning the Flow Multi-Meter to a state similar to the 4000 Series flow meter. To disable either of these features, select **EDIT** button and then click on the feature you would like to disable. The button will slide to the left and become disabled. Press the **SAVE** button to save your changes.

Disabling the Bidirectional Flow will result in the Flow Multi-Meter displaying and recording all flows, regardless of their direction, as positive with a left to right → directional indicator.

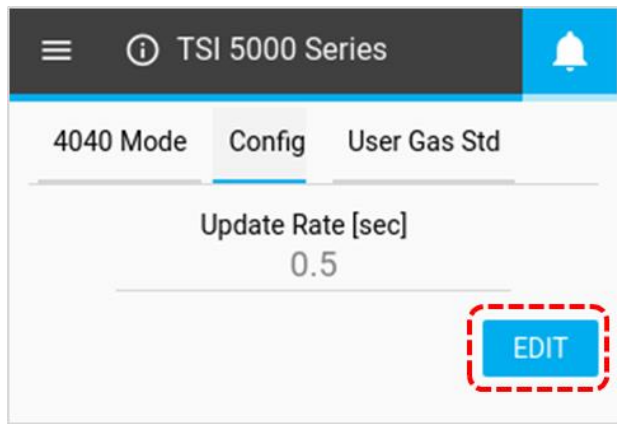
Models 5220 and 5230 have the option to disable their Humidity Compensation feature. With humidity compensation disabled, the 5200 Series will deliver flow readings irrespective of the water vapor present in the gas flow.



Display Update Rate

The update rate is the rate at which readings are updated on the meter display for all parameters. The default update rate for the 5200 Series Multi-Meter is 0.5 seconds. To change this setting, select from a list of options (0.5, 1, 2, 5, or 10 seconds). Note that you can specify a custom display update rate through FLO-Sight PC Software.

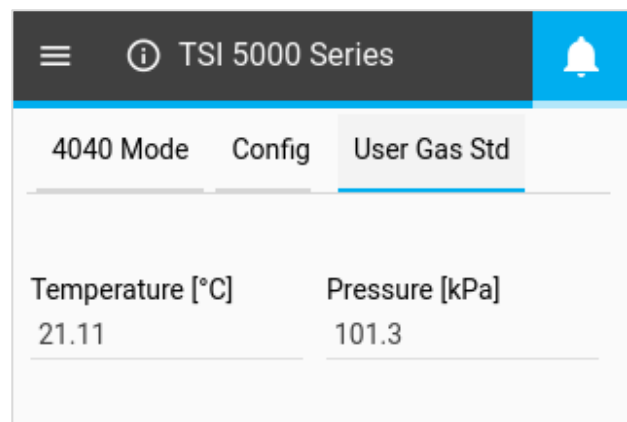
To change the update rate, navigate to the **Config** tab in the Device Settings screen, press the **EDIT** button, use the scroll arrows to select a new rate then click **SAVE**.



Gas Standard

The standard temperature and pressure used for gas flow measurements is displayed in the **User Gas Std** tab of the Device Settings. The default standard temperature and pressure is 21.11°C and 101.3 kPa, respectively.

The gas standard conditions can be changed through FLO-Sight PC Software only. Any changes made through the software will be reflected on the meter.

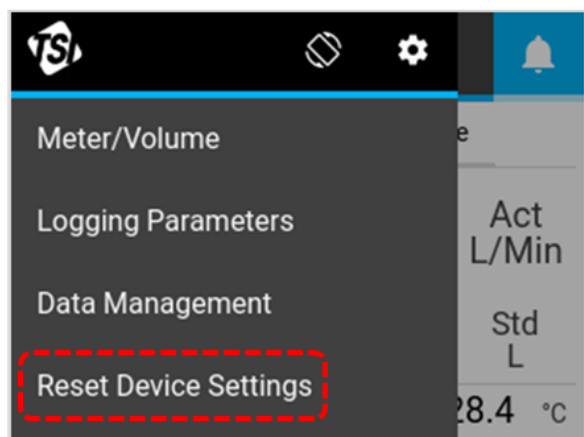
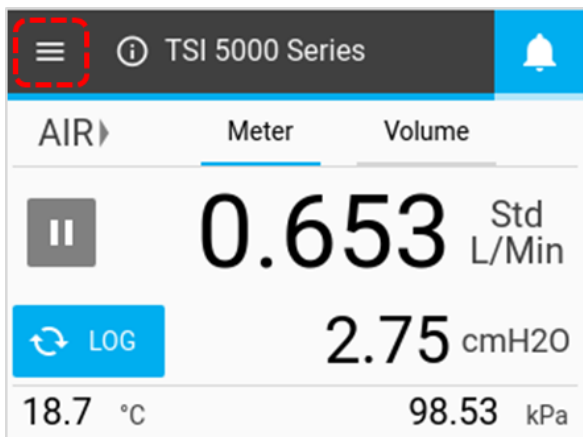


Reset Device Settings

The Reset Device Settings screen is where you can:

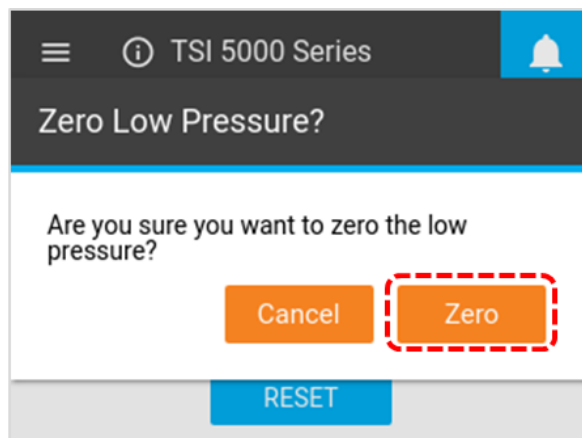
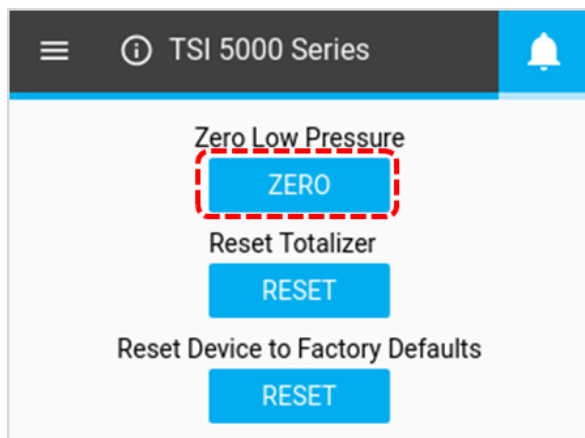
- Zero the low differential pressure sensor
- Reset the totalizer counter
- Reset the meter back to factory defaults

Navigate to this screen by opening the Menu and selecting **Reset Device Settings** from the drop-down.



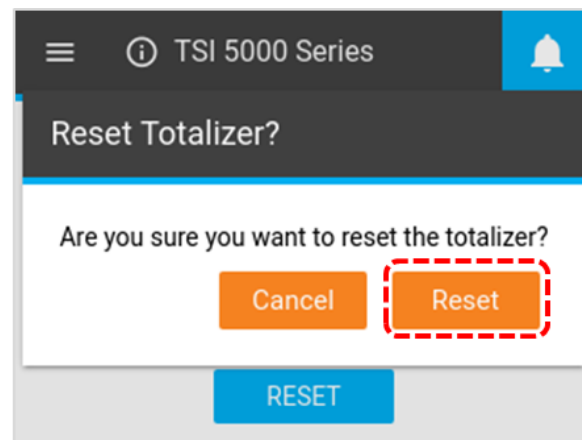
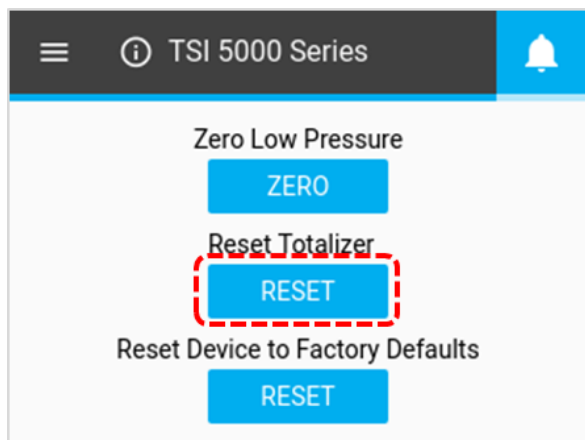
Zero Low Pressure

Models 5210, 5220, and 5230 Gas Flow Multi-Meters have an integrated differential pressure sensor. To zero the differential pressure sensor, click the **Zero** button, then click the **Zero** button again in the **Zero Low Pressure** dialog box.



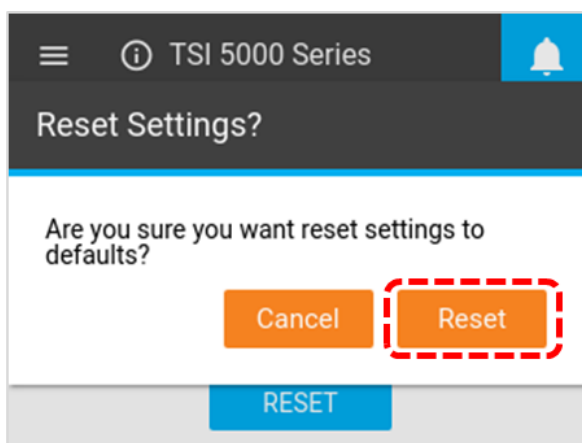
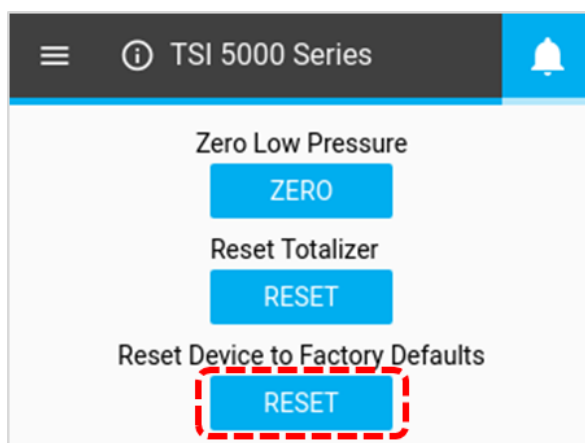
Reset Totalizer

All 5200 Series Gas Flow Multi-Meters include a totalizer feature that measures total volume by integrating flow over time. This is a calculated measurement performed by the meter and operates as a running total. To reset the Totalizer counter to zero, select the middle **RESET** button, then click the **Reset** button in the Reset Totalizer dialog box.



Reset Device to Factory Defaults

The 5200 Series Gas Flow Multi-Meter can be reset to its factory default settings. See the table below for details on the settings which will be affected. Resetting the device to factory defaults will not affect any logged data files stored on the meter. To reset to factory defaults, select the lower **RESET** button, then click **Reset** in the Reset Settings dialog box.



Factory Default Settings

Description	Setting	Default Condition
Measurement Parameters	Flow	Std. L/min
	Temperature	°C
	Absolute Pressure	kPa
Gas Calibration	Type of Gas	Air (if available)
Gas Standard Conditions	Temperature	21.11°C
	Absolute Pressure	101.3 kPa
Volume	Sampling Stopped	Std. L
	Begin Trigger	1 L, Positive slope
	End Trigger	1 L, Negative slope
	Flow Mode	Flow, Continuous
Logging Parameters	Sample Time	1 millisecond
	Test Length	15 seconds
	Log Name	Log 1
Meter Information	Device Name	"TSI 5000 Series"
Device Settings	Bidirectional Flow	Enabled
	Humidity Compensation	Enabled (if available)
	Update Rate (Display)	0.5 seconds



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CHAPTER 5

Maintenance

Flow Sensor

Periodically inspect the flow sensor by looking into the outlet of the flow meter. Remove dust, particles and fibers from the sensor, with clean, dry compressed air. The flow sensor will break if touched.

NOTE

**NEVER RUN LIQUIDS THROUGH THE FLOW METER AND
NEVER TOUCH THE SENSOR WITH A BRUSH.**

Dust or other deposits on the flow sensor will degrade the 5200 Series Multi-Meter's flow accuracy.



CAUTION

The flow meter must be switched off for cleaning. Only use clean, dry, compressed air when attempting to remove contamination from the sensor.

Re-Certification

To maintain a high degree of confidence in the measurements made by the 5200 Series Gas Flow Multi-Meter, TSI recommends that the instrument be returned to TSI every 12 months for re-certification. For a nominal fee, TSI will recalibrate the unit and return it to you with an As-Found and As-Left Certificate of Calibration with US National Institute of Standards Technology (NIST) traceability. This annual re-certification assures you consistently accurate measurements and is especially important for applications in which strict calibration records must be maintained.

To send your 5200 Series Gas Flow Multi-Meter back to TSI for re-certification, please visit TSI's [instructions](#). If you are having difficulty completing this process, please contact TSI's Customer Support Group for assistance by calling 800-680-1220 or 651-490-2860.

Damaged Tube End Connections

If the tube end connections become damaged, note that the 5200 Series Multi-Meter does not need to come back to TSI for repair. The damaged tube end connections can be replaced by ordering the appropriate connection size. Reference the list of optional accessories in [Chapter 1](#) of this manual for part number.

Cases

If the instrument case or storage case needs cleaning, wipe it off with a soft cloth dipped in isopropyl alcohol or mild detergent. Never submerge the Multi-Meter or allow liquids to enter the flow tube.

Storage

When storing the Multi-Meter, always cover the ends of flow tubes with the provided end caps to prevent dust or other foreign matter from entering the tube.



CHAPTER 6

Troubleshooting

The table below lists the symptoms, possible causes, and recommended corrective actions for common problems encountered with the Multi-Meter. If the symptom is not listed, or if none of the

Symptom	Possible Causes	Corrective Action
No display.	Unit not switched on.	Switch on the unit.
	No power to instrument.	Connect the USB-C to USB-A cable from the USB-C port on the meter to a USB compatible power source that can provide 5 VDC.
When powered through a computer, the meter recycles through boot up process or is unable to complete the initialization.	Computer USB port unable to sufficiently power the meter.	Connect the USBC-A power cable to the provided USB hub cable, then plug the hub cable into the USB-A port of the computer, and plug the USBC-A cable into the USB-C port located on top of the meter.
Temperature reads high at low or zero flows.	Temperature sensor is being heated from the flow sensor.	This is normal. Once flow exceeds 1 Std L/min, the temperature will track the flowing gas temperature.
Flow readings fluctuate badly.	The flow is fluctuating.	Improve inlet conditions or increase display averaging time. See the Device Settings section in Chapter 4 of this manual for information on the display update rate.
Display shows flows over-range with no flow passing through flow tube.	The sensor may be damaged or broken.	Return flow meter to TSI for service.

Technical Contacts

- If you have technical or application questions about this instrument, contact an applications engineer at one of the locations listed below.
- If the Gas Flow Multi-Meter fails, or if you are returning it for service, visit our website at

Returning the Gas Flow Multi-Meter for Service

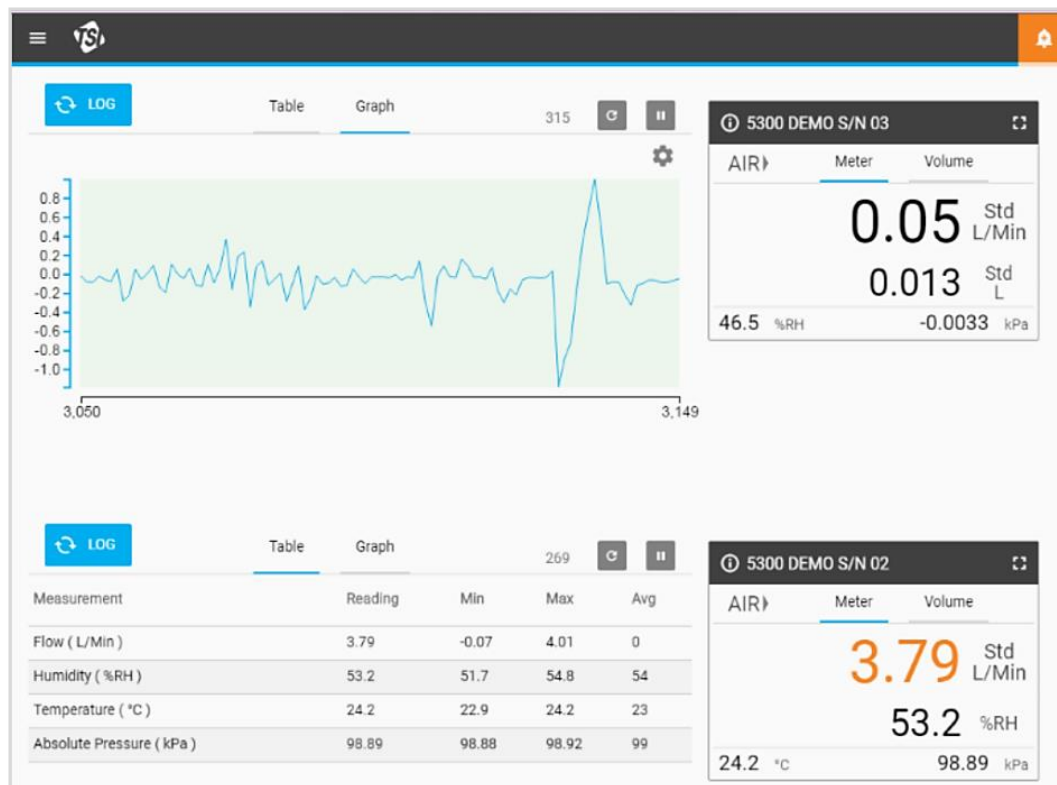
- The instrument model number
- The instrument serial number
- A purchase order number (unless under warranty)
- A billing address
- A shipping address.

TSI recommends that you keep the original packaging (carton and foam inserts) of the Gas Flow Multi-Meter for use whenever the Gas Flow Multi-Meter is shipped, including when it is returned to TSI for service.

CHAPTER 7

FLO-Sight PC Software

All 5200 Series Gas Flow Multi-Meters come with FLO-Sight™ PC Software. FLO-Sight PC Software allows you to fully control and operate their 5200 Series meters directly from your computer. Using the meter through FLO-Sight PC Software also enables additional functionality and configuration options not available from the meter itself.



FLO-Sight PC Software has these basic features:

- Real-time display of all measurement parameters
- Min, max, and average readings
- Advanced meter configuration

FLO-Sight PC Software advanced features include:

- Real-time graphing
- Data logging, download, and file management
- Alerts set for any parameter
- Multiple meter operation

There are two versions of FLO-Sight PC Software: Basic and Advanced. The Basic version is available to all 5200 Series users and can be downloaded from [TSI.com](https://www.tsi.com). The Advanced version has

the advanced version is included with the purchase of a 5200 Series Flow Multi-Meter.

Please refer to the *FLO-Sight PC Software Manual* for more information on downloading, installing, and operating FLO-Sight PC Software.

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CHAPTER 8

Serial Command Set

The 5000 Series can establish communication with a computer over either a direct USB link utilizing a NDIS driver or over RS232 utilizing a USB to RS232 converter. Once the meter has been connected, you can communicate via serial using ASCII commands.

The ASCII commands are case sensitive. Upper case letters are used throughout the command set except as designated. Each command sent to the flow meter must be terminated by a carriage return (CR = 0x0d). Line feeds (LF = 0x0a) are ignored.

Listed below is a summary of the commands. For more details, please refer to the *Series 5200/5300 ASCII Command Set Manual*.

Commands for Flow Rate, Temperature, Pressure, and Volume

Command	Description	Backward Compatible with 4000/4100 Series
DmFTPnnnn	Returns flow rate, temperature, and absolute pressure data at an interval equal to the sample rate.	Yes
DmFTPHLInnn	Returns flow rate, temperature, absolute pressure, humidity, low pressure and totalizer data at an interval equal to the sample rate.	No
Vmnnnn	Returns a volume measurement by integrating flow rate over time.	Yes

Measurement Setup Commands

Command	Description	Backward Compatible with 4000/4100 Series
SBTx \pm nnn.nn	Sets the begin-trigger level for starting data acquisition.	Yes
SETx \pm nnn.nn	Sets the end-trigger level for stopping data acquisition.	Yes
CBT	Clears the begin-trigger level.	Yes
CET	Clears the end-trigger level.	Yes
SSRnnnn	Sets the sample rate at which the data is returned.	Yes
SGn	Sets the gas calibration to be used.	Yes
SGMmm	Selects the air/oxygen mixture concentration.	Yes
SUn	Selects either standard or volumetric units of flow.	Yes

Command	Description	Backward Compatible with 4000/4100 Series
SSTnn.nn	Sets user standard temperature.	Yes
SSPnnn.nn	Sets user standard pressure.	Yes
SDU2	Sets output flow units to Cubic Feet per Minute.	Yes
LPZ	Low pressure zero.	No
SCHx	Turn humidity correction off.	No
SCDx	Turn bi-directional sensor off.	No

Miscellaneous Commands

Command	Description	Backward Compatible with 4000/4100 Series
Rxx	Reads the current values of the changeable operating parameters.	Yes
DEFAULT	Restores the values of changeable operating parameters to factory default settings.	Yes
SN	Returns the serial number of the flow meter.	Yes
MN	Returns the model number of the flow meter.	Yes
REV	Returns the internal firmware revision of the flow meter.	Yes
HREV	Returns the internal hardware revision of the flow meter.	No
DATE	Returns the date of the last calibration.	Yes
?	Returns "OK" to tell if the flow meter is communicating.	Yes
SUSTRxxxxxxxx	Set user string.	Yes
RUSTR	Read user string.	Yes
SALIASxxxxxx xxxxxxxxxx	Set meter alias.	No
RALIAS	Read user string.	No
BREAK	Stop the current sending of data.	No
SBAUDnnnnnn	Set RS232 baud rate.	No
RBAUD	Read RS232 baud rate.	No

Display Commands

Command	Description	Backward Compatible with 4000/4100 Series
SURnnnn	Sets the update rate for the LCD display.	Yes

APPENDIX A

5200 Series Flow Multi-Meter Specifications

Measurement Specifications*		
Flow Measurement	Gas Calibrations	Air, O ₂ , CO ₂ , N ₂ , (user selectable)
	Range	0 to ±30 std. L/min
	Accuracy <i>See notes 1 through 6 below</i>	Models 5200, 5210, 5220 2% of reading or 0.005 std. L/min for forward flows, 3% of reading or 0.01 std. L/min for reverse flows Model 5230 1.7% of reading or 0.005 std. L/min for forward flows, 3% of reading or 0.01 std. L/min for reverse flows Model 5203 3% of reading or 0.01 std. L/min, whichever is greater
	Response	4 ms to 63% of full scale
	Units	L/min or ft ³ /min (Standard, Volumetric, Actual, or Remote)
Temperature Measurement	Range	-10 to 50°C
	Accuracy	±1°C at flows > 1 std. L/min in the forward direction
	Response	≤ 75 ms to 63% of final value for step change
	Units	°C, °F
Absolute Pressure Measurement	Range	50 to 200 kPa
	Accuracy	±1 kPa
	Response	≤ 4 ms to 63% of final value for step change
	Units	Pa, hPa, kPa, mbar, PSI, mmHG, cmH ₂ O, inH ₂ O
Low Differential /Breathing Circuit Pressure Measurement	Range	±150 cmH ₂ O
	Accuracy	±0.5% of reading or 0.15 cmH ₂ O, whichever is greater
	Response	≤ 4 ms to 63% of final value for step change
	Units	Pa, hPa, kPa, mbar, PSI, mmHG, cmH ₂ O, inH ₂ O
Relative Humidity Measurement	Range	10-90% RH
	Accuracy	±3% of RH
	Response	≤ 3 seconds to 63% of final value for step change
	Units	% RH, Dew Point (°C, °F)
Volume Measurement	Range	0.002 to 99 L
	Accuracy	2% of reading or 1 mL whichever is greater, at peak flows greater than 0.25 Std L/min <i>See notes 1 through 6 below</i>
	Units	L, mL, ft ³

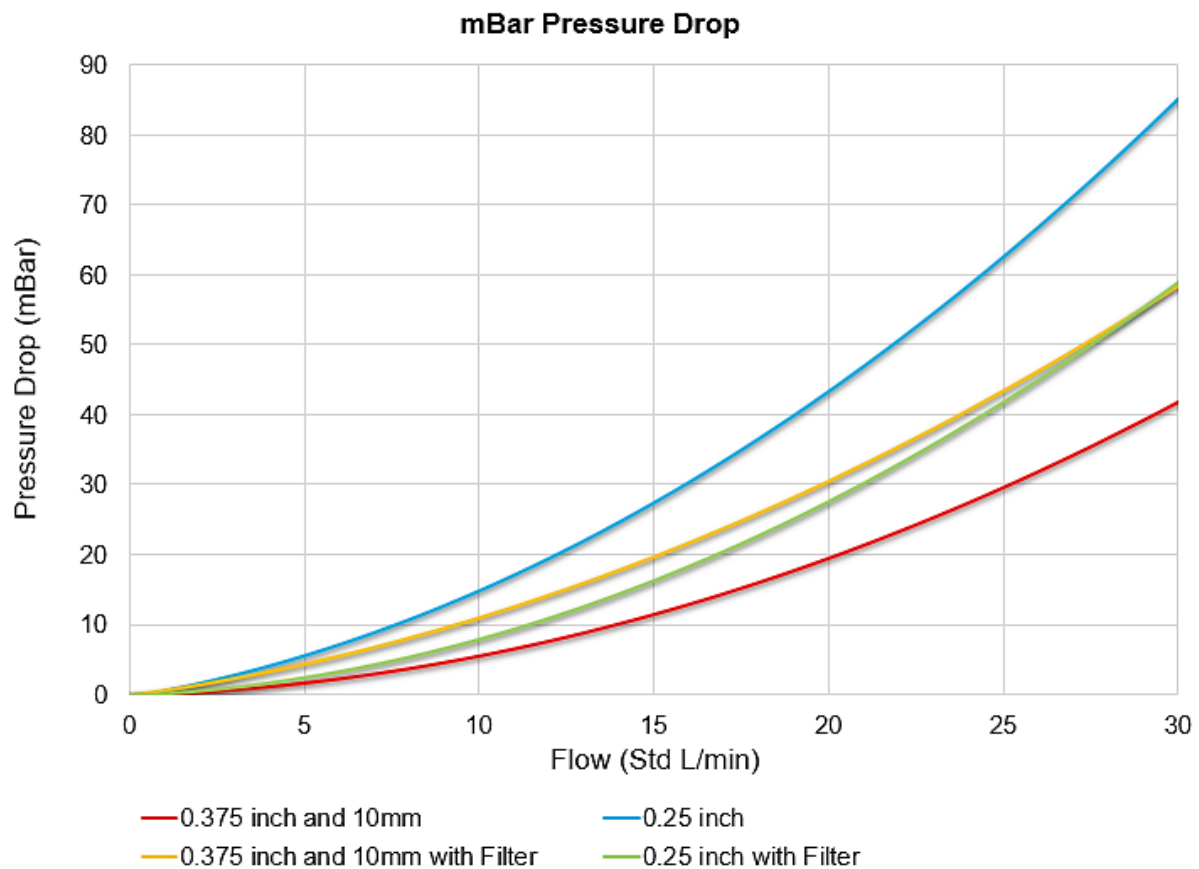
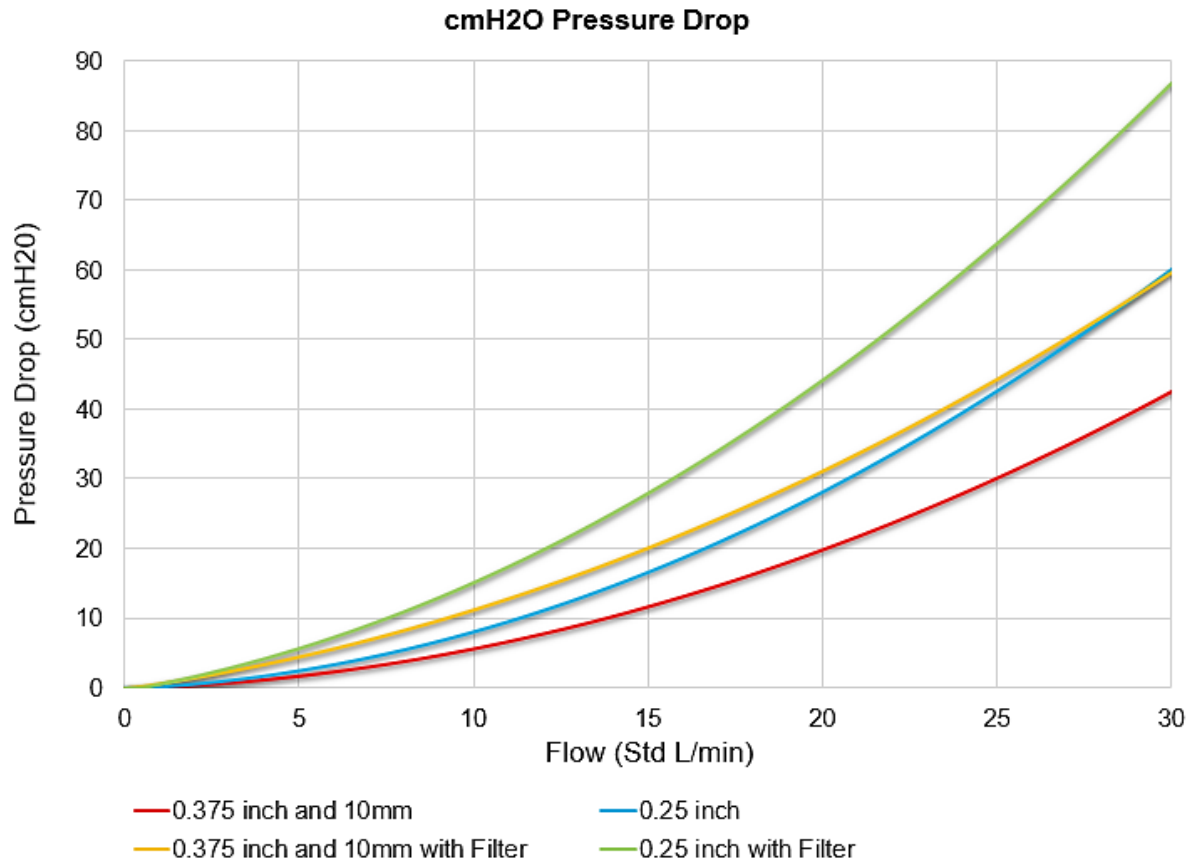
Measurement Specifications*		
Totalizer Measurement	Range	0.005 to 400,000 L
	Accuracy	±5% of reading
	Units	L, mL, ft ³
Burst Pressure	Tested to 690 kPa without rupture. DO NOT exceed 690 kPa.	
Pressure Drop	See Chart Below	
Instrument Temperature Range	Operation	-10 to 50°C (ambient)
	Storage	-20 to 70°C (ambient)
Instrument Pressure Range	Operation	50 to 200 kPa
Power	Supplied through USB-C port	
	5.0 VDC ±5%, 500 mA maximum	
Digital Output	USB, RS-232 Serial using USB to RS232 converter cable	
Display	2.8 inch Color LCD Touchscreen	
Internal Storage	1 GB storage, max 20 datalog files	
Physical Dimensions	External	See Diagram Below
	Weight	230 grams including protective end caps
	Material	Polycarbonate (Flow body)

Notes:

- Flow accuracy stated between 15 and 25 °C and 101.3 kPa.
 - Add an additional 0.085% of reading per 1°C away from the base operating range of 15 to 25 °C.
 - Add an additional 0.01% of reading per 1 kPa above 101.3 kPa *or*
 - Add an additional 0.02% of reading per 1 kPa below 101.3 kPa when operating within the pressure range of 70 kPa to 170 kPa.
- Flow accuracy stated with gas temperature and flow body temperature within ±10°C of one another.
- Flow accuracy stated measuring dry gas (less than 10% R.H.). Add an additional +/0.1% of reading per 10% of RH away from 0% for models without humidity compensation.
- Abrupt changes from high to low reverse flow may require additional stabilization time to achieve full accuracy. Please contact TSI for more information.
- Includes ±0.5% of reading repeatability.
- Volumetric flow rate is calculated from the mass flow measurement. Add an additional 0.25% of reading to the flow accuracy to account for the uncertainty in measuring gas temperature and pressure.

**Specifications subject to change without notice.*

5200 Series Pressure Drop



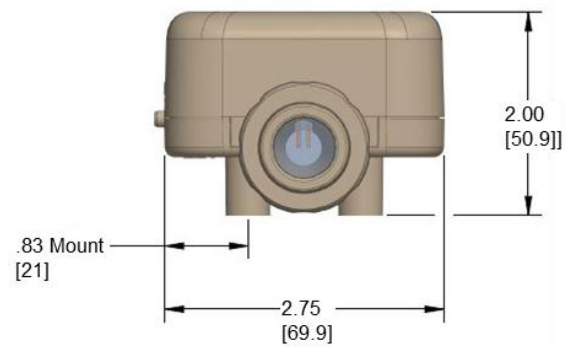
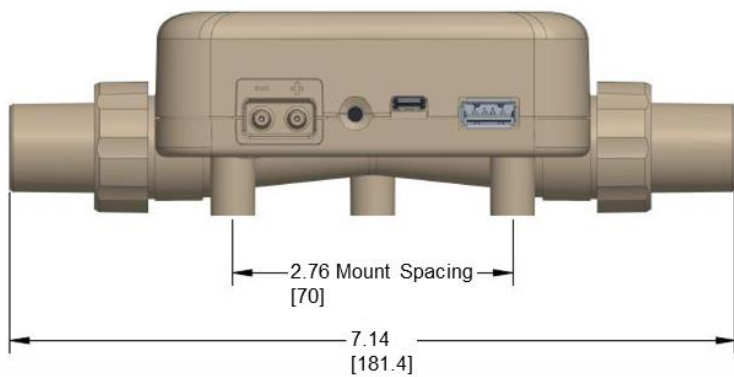
5200 Series Dimensions

(External dimensions are the same across models)



Dimensions shown with 22-mm male
ISO-Taper Adapters
on both ends

Dimension in inches (mm)



APPENDIX B

Standard Flow Rate vs. Volumetric Flow Rate

Since thermal flow sensors are sensitive to changes in air density and air velocity, all thermal flow meters indicate flow rates with reference to a set of standard conditions. For TSI instruments, standard conditions are defined as 21.1°C (70°F) and 101.3 kPa (14.7 psia). Other manufacturers may use different values.

Standard flow rate is the equivalent flow rate the gas would be moving at if the temperature and pressure were at standard conditions. It is usually the most useful measure of gas flow because it defines the mass flow, number of molecules, and heat-carrying capacity of the gas.

Volumetric flow rate is the actual volume flow of the gas exiting the flow meter.

In some instances, volumetric flow rate rather than standard flow rate may be of interest. To display the volumetric flow rate, the 5000 Series Multi-Meter will multiply the standard flow measurement by the following density correction factor:

$$\text{Volumetric Flow} = Q * \left(\frac{T_m}{T_{std}} \right) \left(\frac{P_{std}}{P_m} \right)$$

Where:

Q = Standard flow rate

T_m = Gas temperature measured in flow tube in units of degrees Celsius

P_m = Absolute pressure measured in flow tube in units of kPa

TSI Flow Meters use $T_{std} = 21.11^\circ\text{C}$ and $P_{std} = 101.3$ kPa absolute

Example:

The mass flow rate measured by the TSI Multi-Meter is 100 Std. L/min at 15°C and 117 kPa. The Multi-Meter calculates and displays the volumetric flow as follows.

$$\text{Volumetric Flow} = (100 \text{ std L/min}) \left(\frac{273.15 + 15^\circ\text{C}}{273.15 + 21.11^\circ\text{C}} \right) \left(\frac{101.3 \text{ kPa}}{117.0 \text{ kPa}} \right) = 84.78 \text{ L/min}$$

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APPENDIX C

Humidity Compensation

TSI models 5220 and 5230 can correct their flow measurement in the presence of moist air. Previous models of TSI flow meters read up to 5% higher in moist air than in dry air. The change in flow reading was due partly from the added mass of water vapor and partly from the change in thermophysical gas properties introduced by mixing water vapor in air.

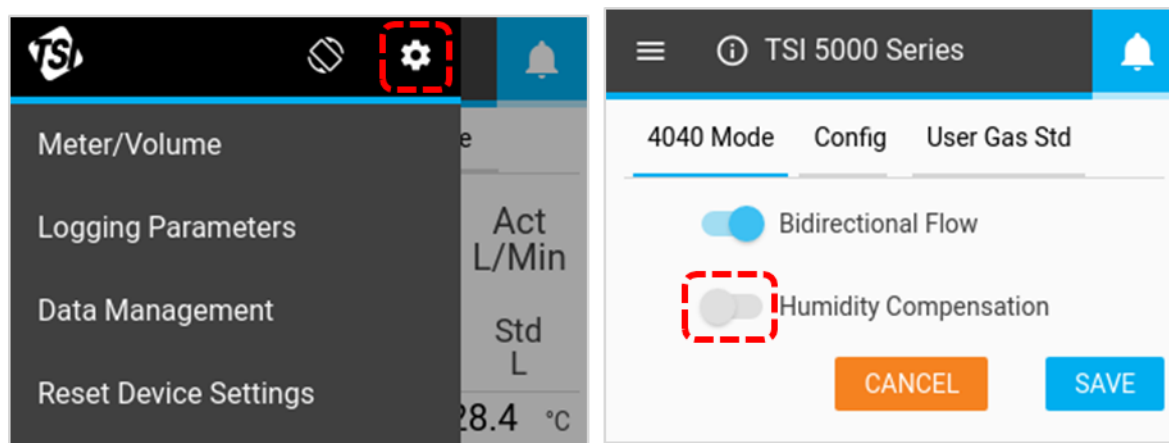
The 5220 and 5230 model flow meters use a humidity sensor to remove the effect of humidity on the flow measurement. With humidity compensation turned on, the meter will indicate the flow in terms of dry air. In other words, the flow measurement will display the amount of air flow minus the water vapor present.

NOTE: Humidity compensation is only available when measuring the flow of air.

Disable / Enable Humidity Compensation

You have the option to disable the humidity compensation feature on your Flow Multi-Meter. With humidity compensation disabled, the meter will deliver flow readings irrespective of the water vapor present in the gas flow. The humidity compensation feature is set to enabled as the default.

To disable humidity compensation, select the Gear icon from the Menu header bar. On the 4040 Mode tab, select **EDIT**, click the Humidity Compensation toggle switch, and **SAVE**. Select the toggle switch again to enable the feature.



Humidity compensation has also be disabled / enabled through FLO-Sight PC Software.

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Remote Flow

Theory of Operation

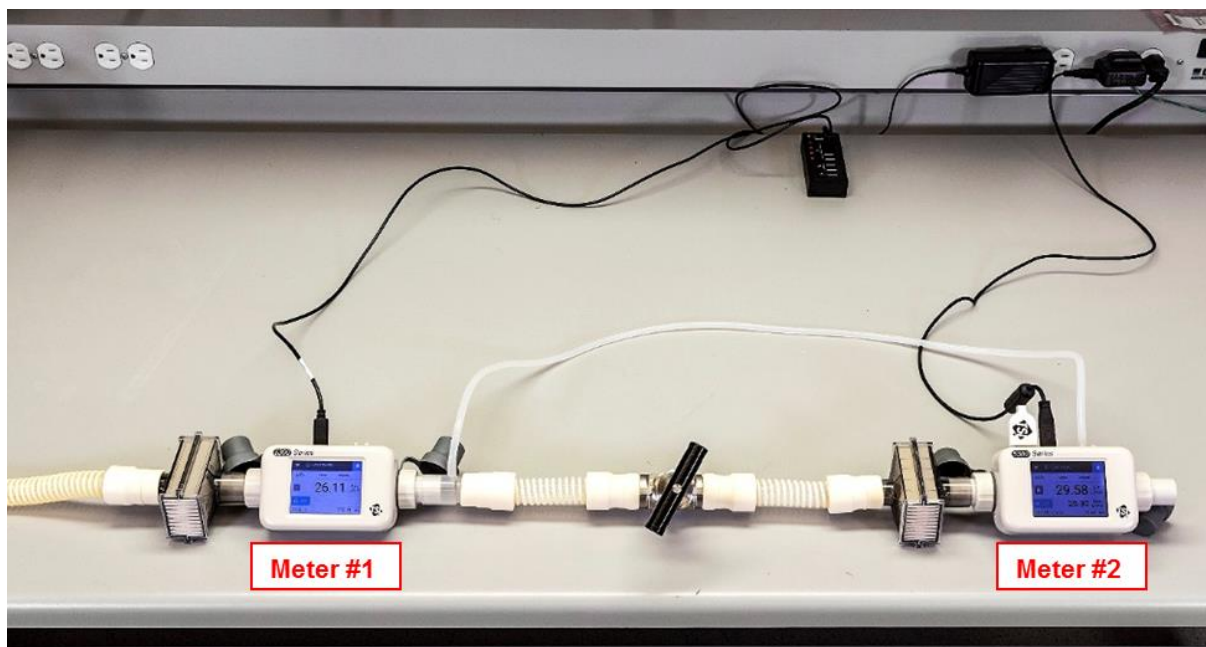
When combined with absolute pressure, low pressure readings can be used to calculate a volume flow rate at a remote point in the system. When set to remote flow measurement, the low pressure value is added to the absolute pressure measured in the channel of the instrument to convert the mass flow of gas at the instrument to volumetric flow at the remote location. The tubing should be connected from the positive (+) port on the instrument a tap at the remote location.

NOTE

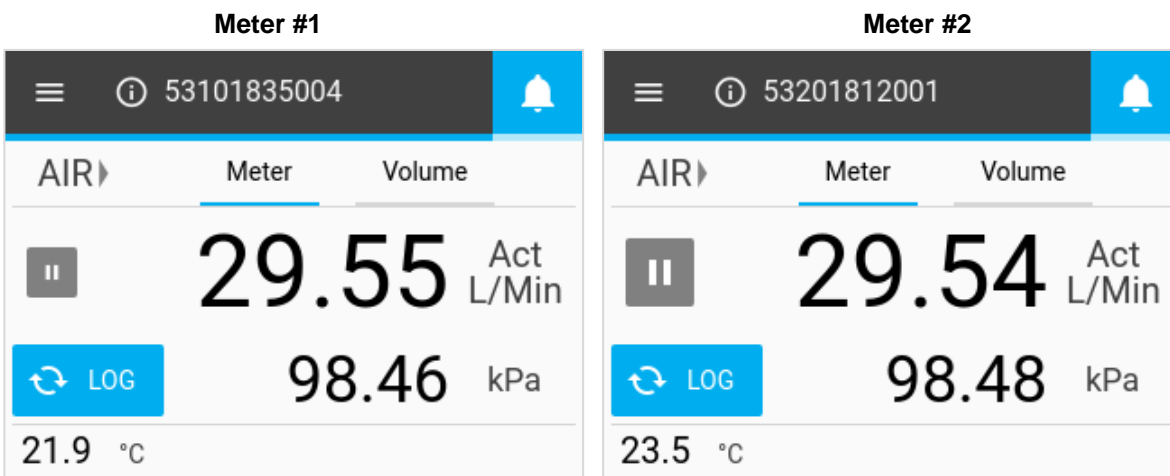
The remote flow measurement assumes that the gas temperature is consistent between the two measurement locations. If the gas temperature between the measurement locations is significantly different, the remote flow measurement will no longer deliver a true reading.

Remote Flow Setup

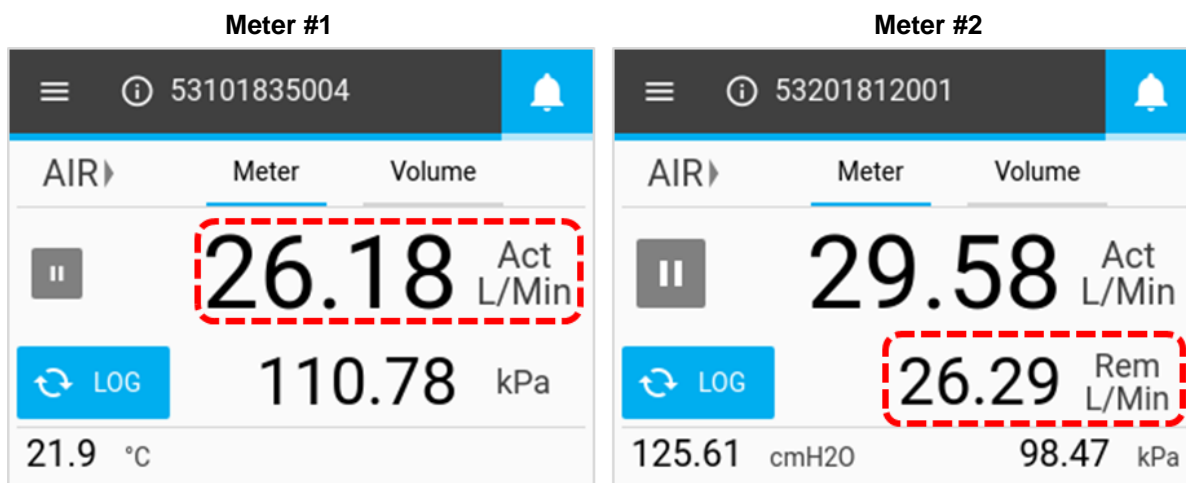
The setup below shows air flowing through two 5000 Series meters in a line. Meter #1 is measuring upstream of the valve and meter #2 is measuring downstream of the valve. Both meters are measuring volumetric flow using the actual temperature and pressure of the air flow.



With similar temperature and pressure conditions, the volumetric flow rate between the two measurement points is consistent.



Back pressure is introduced upstream of the valve. The increased pressure of air being measured by Meter #1 causes the volumetric flow reading to decrease. Meter #2 does not experience an increase in pressure and its flow reading remains steady. The remote flow measurement is taken upstream of the valve and is consistent with the volumetric flow reading from Meter #1 at the same location in the line.





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