

# **ELIT-ORP-31C : ORP Combination Electrode**

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Working with Meters and Analyser to measure Redox



## Cost effective ORP Combination Electrode for General Applications: Lab, Field and light Industrial use, where the electrode is not submerged or under pressure

### **Specifications:**

- Dimensions: 12 x 120 mm 1 m (optional 3 m) cable with BNC connector Temp. Range: 0°C to 80°C
- Gel-filled Plastic Body
- Platinum-Rod Protective Skirt
- Reference System: Ag/AgCl System in a saturated KCl solution / gel with approximately 200 mV offset against the Hydrogen reference system (Eh = E measured + approx. 200 mV)

## **Operating Instructions:**

#### **Preparation:**

- 1. Remove the protective bottle from the sensing element and save it for future storage.
- 2. Clean any salt deposits from the exterior of the electrode by rinsing with distilled water.
- 3. Connect the electrode to the Meter or Analyser.
- 4. ORP measurements are temperature dependent, however there is no temperature compensation available

#### Measurements:

ORP means Oxidation-Reduction-Potential (Redox Potential).

ORP measurements determine the oxidizing or reducing properties of a solution.

The higher the reading (in mV), the higher the availability of oxidising agents in the solution.

Optimal value for Freshwater Aquariums: 250 to 300 mV Optimal value for Saltwater Aquariums: 350 to 400 mV

Harmful for fish: values over 400 mV

ORP in ponds lower than 150 mV indicates decomposing organic material.

ORP in ponds higher than 450 mV indicates chlorine or cleaning agents present.

ORP in ponds around 300 mV indicates good water quality in respect of ORP.

ORP of 700 mV and pH of 7.2 are ideal values for swimming pools

#### Maintenance:

- 1. Keep the electrode in the protective bottle filled with a saturated KCI solution for long term storage (for more than 1 hour).
- 2. General cleaning:
  - For non-organic contamination, soak the electrode in 0.1 M HCl for 10 minutes, rinse with distilled water.
  - For organic or oily contamination, soak the electrode for 10 minutes in a 1:10 dilution of household detergent.
  - After one of the above cleaning procedure, soak the electrode in saturated KCI solution for 3 hours.
  - The ORP electrodes contain an Ag/AgCI reference that may become clogged in solutions that contain silver complexing or binding agents such as TRIS, proteins and sulfides. Frequent cleaning may be required when measuring solutions that contain these agents.
- 3. Checking Electrode Operation:
  - Place the electrode into pH7 solution saturated with Quinhydrone, the reading should be  $86\pm15$  mV.
  - Place the electrode into pH4 solution saturated with Quinhydrone, the reading should be 263±15 mV.
  - Alternatively the electrode can be checked in ZoBell's solution, the reading should be 238 mV at 25°C.

## **Applications:**

- Aquaria •Corrosion Measurements
- Pollution Control
- Disinfection
  Cooling Towers

- Aquaculture
  Water Quality Check
- Swimming Pools

- Pulp Bleaching

Wastewater Treatment

This electrode works with every pH / mV meter with a BNC connector. For continuous real-time measurements we recommend our ELIT monitors.

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