

# SIDEWINDER

THERMAL IMAGING MONOCULAR

USER MANUAL

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| Symbol   | Description   |  |
|--|---|--|
| <b>Danger</b> Indicates a hazardous situation which, if not avoided, will or converse result in death or serious injury. |   |  |
| Caution  | Indicates a potentially hazardous situation which, if not avoided,<br>could result in equipment damage, data loss, performance<br>degradation, or unexpected results. |  |
| Image: NoteProvides additional information to emphasize or supplement<br>important points of the main text.              |   |  |

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### Transportation

- Keep the device in original or similar packaging while transporting it.
- Keep all wrappers after unpacking them for future use. In case of any failure occurred, you need to return the device to the factory with the original wrapper. Transportation without the original wrapper may result in damage on the device and the company shall not take any responsibilities.
- DO NOT drop the product or subject it to physical shock. Keep the device away from magnetic interference.

### **Power Supply**

- The input voltage for the device should meet the Limited Power Source (5 VDC, 2 A) according to the IEC61010-1 standard. Please refer to technical specifications for detailed information.
- Use the power adapter provided by qualified manufacturer. Refer to the product specification for detailed power requirements.
- Make sure the plug is properly connected to the power socket.
- DO NOT connect multiple devices to one power adapter, to avoid over-heating or fire hazards caused by overload.

### Battery

- Improper use or replacement of the battery may result in explosion hazard. Replace with the same or equivalent type only. The battery type is 18650 with the protection board, and the battery size should be within 19 mm × 70 mm. The rated voltage and capacity are 3.6 VDC/3.35 Ah (12.06 Wh). Dispose of used batteries in conformance with the instructions provided by the battery manufacturer.
- For long-term storage of the battery, make sure it is fully charged every half year to ensure the battery quality. Otherwise, damage may occur.
- Do not charge other battery types with the supplied charger. Confirm there is no flammable material within 2 m of the charger during charging.
- DO NOT place the battery near heating or fire source. Avoid direct sunlight.
- DO NOT swallow the battery to avoid chemical burns.
- DO NOT place the battery in the reach of children.
- The battery cannot be charged with external power source directly.

#### Maintenance

• If the product does not work properly, please contact your dealer or the nearest service center.

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- Wipe the device gently with a clean cloth and a small quantity of ethanol, if necessary.
- If the equipment is used in a manner not specified by the manufacturer, the protection provided by the device may be impaired.
- It is recommended to reboot the device every 2 hours when using it to ensure the device performance.

### **Using Environment**

- Make sure the running environment meets the requirement of the device. The operating temperature shall be -30°C to 55°C (-22°F to 131°F), and the operating humidity shall be 95% or less.
- DO NOT expose the device to extremely hot, cold, dusty, corrosive, saline-alkali, or damp environments.
- This device can only be safely used in the region below 2000 meters above the sea level.
- Avoid equipment installation on vibratory surface or places subject to shock (neglect may cause equipment damage).
- DO NOT aim the lens at the sun or any other bright light.

### Emergency

• If smoke, odor, or noise arises from the device, immediately turn off the power, unplug the power cable, and contact the service center.

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## **Chapter 1 Overview**

## **1.1 Device Description**

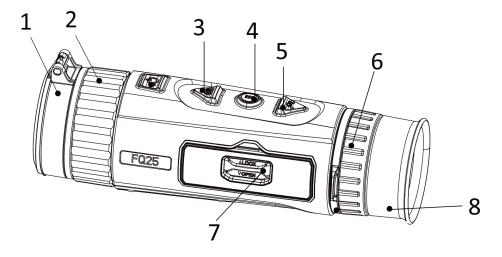
The thermal telescope is equipped with high-sensitivity IR detector, and adopts advanced thermal imaging technology, to get clear view in poor visibility or dark environment. It helps to view the target and measure the distance. It can view the moving target and meet the outdoor condition. The device can be widely used for searching and rescuing, hunting, etc.

## **1.2 Main Function**

- Distance Measurement: The device can detect the distance between the target and the device.
- Highest Temperature Tracking: The device can detect the highest temperature in the scene and mark the spot.
- Client Software Connection: The device can capture snapshots, record videos, and set parameters by T-Vision APP after being connected to your phone via hotspot.
- Image Correction: The device supports DPC (Defective Pixel Correction) and FFC (Flat Field Correction) which can optimize the image quality.

## 1.3 Appearance

The appearance of thermal telescopes is shown below. Please take the actual product for reference.



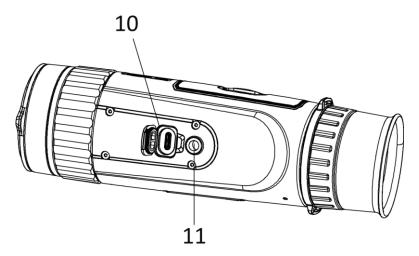


Figure 1-1 Buttons and Interfaces

### Table 1-1 Button and Interface Description

| No. | Component                  | Function  |
|-----|----------------------------|---|
| 1   | Lens Cover                 | Protect the lens.   |
| 2   | Focus Ring                 | Adjust the focal length.  |
| 3   | Power Key                  | <ul><li>Press: Standby mode/wake up device</li><li>Hold: Power on/off</li></ul> |
| 4   | Capture Key                | <ul><li>Press: capture</li><li>Hold: start/stop recording</li></ul>             |
| 5   | Menu Key                   | <ul><li>Hold: enter/exit menu.</li><li>Press: switch palettes</li></ul>         |
| 6   | Zoom Key                   | Press to switch digital zoom.   |
| 7   | Diopter<br>Adjustment Ring | Adjust the dioptric correction.   |
| 8   | Eyepiece                   | View the target.  |
| 9   | Battery<br>Compartment     | Install battery in it.  |
| 10  | Data Exchange<br>Interface | Charge the device and transmit data.  |
| 11  | Tripod Mount               | Mount the tripod.   |

## **Chapter 2 Preparation**

## 2.1 Cable Connection

Connect the device and power adaptor with a type-C cable to power on the device. Alternatively, connect the device and PC to export files.

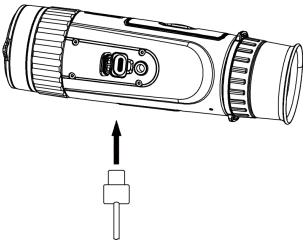


Figure 2-1 Cable Connection

## 2.2 Install Battery

Insert the battery into the battery compartment.

#### Steps

1. Unlock the battery compartment cover.

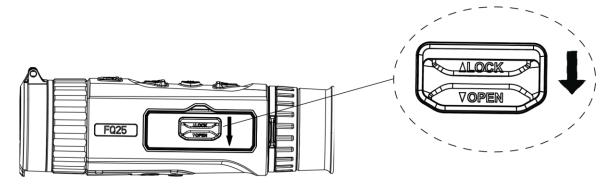


Figure 2-2 Unlock Battery Compartment Cover

2. Open the battery compartment cover.

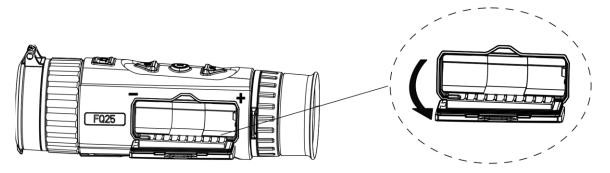
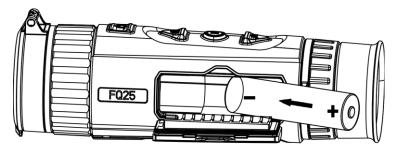


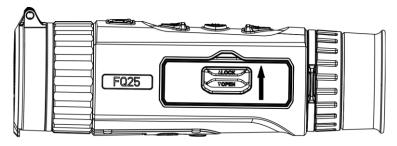
Figure 2-3 Open Battery Compartment Cover

3. Insert the battery into the battery compartment as the positive and negative marks indicate.



#### Figure 2-4 Install Battery

4. Close the battery compartment cover and lock it.



#### Figure 2-5 Complete Installation

Take the battery away if the device is not used for a long time.

## 2.3 Power On/Off

#### Power On

When the battery is sufficiently charged, hold  $\bigcirc$  for about 2 seconds to power on the device.

#### **Power Off**

When the device is turned on, hold  $\bigcirc$  for about 2 seconds to power off the device.

#### **Auto Power Off**

Set the auto power off time for your device, and then the device will automatically shut down as the set time.

#### Steps

- Hold Hold to go to the menu.
   Rotate the wheel to select , and press Hold to select the auto power off time as required.
- 3. Hold 🛗 to save and exit.

## **i**Note

- See the battery icon for the battery status. 🔟 means the battery is fully charged, and 🔳 means that the battery is low.
- When the low power note shows, charge the battery.
- The auto power off countdown will start again when the device exits standby mode, or the device is restarted.

## 2.4 Menu Description

When the device is turned on, hold  $\stackrel{\square}{\boxplus}$  to show the menu.

In the menu, you can press 0 and 2 to select functions, press 0 to configure the selected function, and hold 0 to exit the menu.



Figure 2-6 Menu Interface

## **Chapter 3 Image Settings**

## 3.1 Adjust Diopter

#### Steps

- 1. Power on the device.
- 2. Hold the device and make sure the eyepiece covers your eye.
- 3. Adjust the diopter adjustment ring until the OSD text or image is clear.

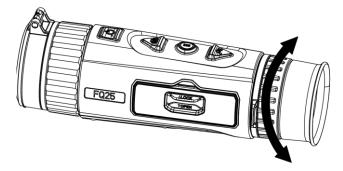


Figure 3-1 Adjust Focus Ring

#### \_\_\_\_\_ Note

When adjusting diopter, DO NOT touch the surface of lens to avoid smearing the lens.

## **3.2 Adjust Focus**

- 1. Power on the device.
- 2. Open the lens cover.
- 3. Hold the device and make sure the eyepiece covers your eye.
- 4. Adjust the focus ring until the image is clear.

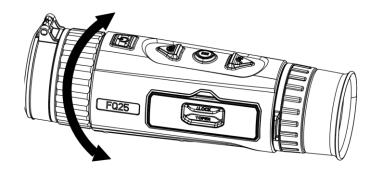


Figure 3-2 Adjust Focus

## **i**Note

When adjusting focus, DO NOT touch the surface of lens to avoid smearing the lens.

## 3.3 Adjust Brightness

In the menu mode, select in and press is to adjust brightness. In white hot mode, the higher the value of brightness is, the brighter the image is. The image effect in white hot mode is showed as picture below and effect in black hot mode is opposite.



Figure 3-3 Adjust Brightness in White Hot Mode

## 3.4 Adjust Contrast

In the menu mode, select 🚺 and press 🔡 to adjust image contrast.

## 3.5 Select Scene

You can select proper scene according to actual using scene to improve the display effect.

- 1. Hold 🛗 to go to the menu.
- 2. Select 💿 and press 🚆 to switch scene.
  - **o** refers to recognition mode and is recommended in normal scene.
  - 🚺 refers to jungle mode and is recommended in hunting environment.
- 3. Hold  $\stackrel{\text{lef}}{=}$  to save settings and exit.

## **3.6 Set Palettes**

You can select different palettes to display the same scene in different effects. In the live view interface, press 🗄 to switch palettes.

#### White Hot

The hot part is light-colored in view. The higher the temperature is, the lighter the color is.



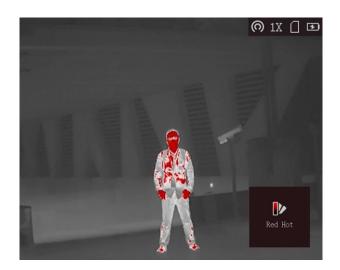
#### **Black Hot**

The hot part is black-colored in view. The higher the temperature is, the darker the color is.



#### Red Hot

The hot part is red-colored in view. The higher the temperature is, the redder the color is.



#### Fusion

From high temperature to low temperature, the image is colored in from white, yellow, red, pink to purple.



## **3.7 Correct Defective Pixel**

The device can correct the defective pixels on the screen which are not performed as expected.

- 1. Hold 📙 to show the menu.
- 2. Select 🛄.
- 3. Press 🔛 to select the axis direction. If you select **X**, the cursor moves left and right; if you select **Y**, the cursor moves up and down.
- 4. Press  $\bigcirc$  or  $\mathcal{P}^{\pm}$  to move the cursor to the defective pixel.
- 5. Press  $\stackrel{\text{\tiny EP}}{=}$  to set the axis as **N**, and press  $\stackrel{\text{\scriptsize OP}}{=}$  or  $\mathcal{P}^{\pm}$  to select **DPC**.
- 6. Press et a correct the defective pixel.

## iNote

• The selected defective pixel can be magnified and displayed at the bottom right of the interface.



#### Figure 3-5 Correct Defective Pixel

• If the screen OSD blocks the dead pixel, the device performs mirror display automatically.





**Figure 3-6 Mirror Effect** 

## 3.8 Image Pro

Image pro refers to image detail enhancement. When you enable this function, the details of the image that is in the image pro frame will be enhanced.

#### Steps

- 1. Hold 🔡 to show the menu.
- 2. Select
- 3. Press 🔡 to enable this function. A frame appears on the center of the screen.
- 4. Hold 🛗 to return to the live view interface, and view the target.

#### Result

The details of the image center are enhanced in the frame.

## 3.9 Flat Field Correction

This function can correct non-uniformity of display.

## Steps

- 1. Hold 🔡 to go to the menu.
- 2. Select 0 and press  $\overset{-}{\boxplus}$  to switch FFC mode.
  - Manual: Hold  $\mathcal{P}_{\mathbb{T}}^{\pm}$  in live view to correct the non-uniformity of display.
  - Auto: The device performs FFC automatically according to the set schedule when switching on the camera.
  - External: Cover the lens cover, then hold  $\mathcal{P}_{\pm}^{\pm}$  in live view to correct the non-uniformity of display.
- 3. Hold  $\stackrel{\bullet}{\boxplus}$  to save the settings and exit.

## 3.10 Adjust Digital Zoom

You can zoom the image by using this function. Press  $\mathcal{P}_{\pm}^{\pm}$  in the view mode, the live view switches between 1 ×, 2 ×, 4 ×, and 8 ×.

## **i**Note

This function varies according to different camera models.

## 3.11 Set OSD

This function can display or hide the ODS information on the live view interface.

## 3.11.1 Synchronize Time

- Hold : to show the menu.
   Select , and press : to enter the time setting interface.
- 3. Press  $\stackrel{\text{def}}{=}$  to switch the time system, and press  $\stackrel{\text{def}}{=}$  and  $\stackrel{\text{def}}{=}$  to select the time and date to be synchronized.
- 4. Press 🛗 to select the hour, minute, second, year, month, or day to be synchronized, and press and P<sup>±</sup> again to change the number.
  Hold to save settings and exit.

## **Chapter 4 Burning Prevention**

This function can prevent the detector of the thermal channel from being burned. When you enable this function, the shield will close if the grey scale of the detector reaches a certain value.

### Steps

- Hold is to show the menu.
   Select is and press is to enable or disable the burn-prevention function.
   Hold is to save settings and exit.

## iNote

When the burn-prevention function is disabled, the shield should be opened if it closes.

## **Chapter 5 Hot Tracking**

The device can detect the highest temperature spot in the scene and mark it on display.

### Steps

- Hold in to show the menu.
   Select in and press in to mark the spot of highest temperature.
   Hold in to save settings and exit.

#### Result

When the function is enabled, ∻ displays in the spot of highest temperature. When the scene changes, the 🕂 moves.



Figure 5-1 Hot Tracking Effect

## **Chapter 6 Measure Distance**

The device can detect the distance between the target and the observation position.

#### **Before You Start**

When measuring the distance, keep the hand and the position steady. Otherwise, the accuracy may be affected.

### Steps

- Hold in to show the menu.
   Select and press in to go to the setting interface.
  - Press P<sup>+</sup>/<sub>2</sub> to select the target from **Deer**, **Grey Wolf**, **Brown Bear**, and **Custom**.
     Press III to select height, and press O and P<sup>+</sup>/<sub>2</sub> to set the target height.

**i**Note

The available height ranges from 0.1 m to 9.9 m.

- 3) Press 💾 to confirm.
- 3. Align the center of top mark with the edge of target top. Press  $\stackrel{--}{\underset{}{\boxplus}}$ The cursor blinks on the top edge of the target.
- 4. Align the center of bottom mark with the edge of target bottom. Press  $\frac{1}{1000}$

#### Result

The left top of the image displays the distance measurement result and the height of the target.



Figure 7-1 Measurement Result

## **i**Note

Go to distance measurement interface, and press 🚆 to view the result of the previous measuring target.

## **Chapter 7 Picture and Video**

You can manually record video or capture picture when displaying live view.

## 7.1 Capture Picture

On the main live view page, press or to capture picture.

## iNote

When capturing succeeds, the image freezes for 1 second and a prompt shows on the display. For exporting captured pictures, refer to *Export Files*.

## 7.2 Set Audio

If you enable the audio function, the sound will be recorded with the video. When there is too loud noise in the video, you can disable this function.

#### Steps

- 1. Hold 📙 to show the menu.
- 2. Select 👤
- 3. Press 🛗 to enable or disable this function.
- 4. Hold 🛗 to save and exit.

## 7.3 Record Video

#### Steps

1. In the main live view, hold in and start recording.



Figure 7-1 Start Recording

The left top of image displays the information of recording time.

2. Hold i again to stop recording.

#### What to do next

For exporting recording files, refer to *Export Files*.

## 7.4 Export Files

This function is used to export recorded videos and captured pictures.

#### **Before You Start**

- Turn off hotspot function.
- Turn on the device after connecting it to your PC, and keep the device on for 10 to 15 seconds before other operations.
- Remove batteries from the device before connecting to your PC, or it may cause device damage.

#### Steps

1. Connect the device and PC with cable.

## **i**Note

Make sure the device is turned on when connecting the cable.

- Open computer disk and select the disk of device. Go to the DCIM folder and find the folder named after the capture year and month. For example, if you capture a picture or record a video on June 2021, go to DCIM → 202106 to find the picture or video.
- 3. Select and copy the files to PC.
- 4. Disconnect the device from your PC.

## **i**Note

- The device displays images when you connect it to PC. But functions such as recording, capturing and hotspot are disabled.
- When you connect the device to PC for the first time, it installs the drive program automatically.

## **Chapter 8 Client Software Connection**

Connect the device to the T-Vision App via hotspot, then you can capture picture, record video, or configure parameters on your phone.

#### Steps

- 1. Hold 📰 to show the menu of device.
- 2. Press 👩 to enable hotspot function.
- 3. Turn on the WLAN of your phone and connect to the hotspot.
  - Hotspot Name: Wlan-IPTS Serial No.
    - Hotspot Password: the last 9 digits of serial No.
- 4. Search the T-Vision on App Store (iOS System) or Google Play<sup>™</sup> (Android System) to download it, or scan the QR code to download and install the app.



Android System



iOS System

5. Open the App and connect your phone with the device. You can view the interface of device on your phone.

## iNote

- The device cannot connect to the app if entering wrong password several times. Refer to *Restore Device* to reset the device, and connect the app again.
- The device should be activated for the first use. The default password must be changed after the activation.

## **Chapter 9 CVBS Output**

The CVBS output is used to debug the device. You can also view the device image on the display unit for details.

#### **Before You Start**

Connect the device to the display unit via CVBS interface of the aviation plug.

### Steps

- Hold : to show the menu.
   Select : and press : to switch on CVBS.

iNote

The CVBS cable is not included in the package, please purchase it by yourself.

## **Chapter 10 Language Settings**

You can select the device language in this function.

- Hold : to show the menu.
   Select , and press : to enter the language configuration interface.
   Press or P<sup>+</sup> to select the language as required, and press : to confirm.

## **Chapter 11 Unit Settings**

You can switch the unit for the distance measurement function.

- Hold : to show the menu.
   Select , and press : to switch the unit. m and yard are selectable.
   Hold the : save settings and exit.

## **Chapter 12 Maintenance**

This part introduces the operation of checking device information, upgrading device, and restoring to defaults, etc.

## **12.1 View Device Information**

### Steps

1. Hold to show the menu of device.

2. Select 0, and press 2. You can view the device information such as version, and serial No.

## 12.2 Upgrade Device

#### **Before You Start**

- Please get the upgrade package (including Main Firmware and FPGA Firmware) first.
- Make sure the hotspot function is disabled.
- Remove batteries from the device before connecting to your PC.
- Turn on the device after connecting it to your PC, and keep the device on for 10 to 15 seconds before other operations.

#### Steps

- 1. Connect the device to your PC with cable, and then turn on the device.
- 2. Open the detected disk, copy the upgrade file and paste it to the root directory of the device.
- 3. Hold  $\bigcirc$  to reboot the device, and the device upgrades automatically. The upgrading process will be displayed in the main interface.

## **i**Note

During the upgrade, make sure the device is connected to your PC. Otherwise, it may cause unnecessary upgrade failure, firmware damage, etc.

4. Repeat the above steps to upgrade all firmwares one by one.

## **12.3 Restore Device**

- 1. Hold to show the menu of device.
- 2. Select 🖲, and press 🚆 to restore the device to defaults according to the prompt.

## **Chapter 13 Frequently Asked Questions**

## 13.1 Why is the monitor off?

Check whether the device is off-battery. Check the monitor after charging the device for 5 minutes.

## 13.2 The image is not clear, how to adjust it?

Adjust the diopter adjustment knob until the image is clear. Refer to section Adjust Diopter.

## 13.3 Capturing or recording fails. What's the problem?

Check the following items.

- Whether the device is connected to your PC. Capturing or recording is disabled in this status.
- Whether the storage space is full.
- Whether the device is low-battery.

## 13.4 Why the PC cannot identify the device?

Check the following items.

- Whether the device is connected to your PC with supplied USB cable.
- If you use other USB cables, make sure the cable length is no longer than 1 m.
- Whether the hotspot function is turned on. If so, go to device menu and turn off hotspot.