

# EN1242 EchoStream® Smoke Detector **Transmitter**

Installation Instructions - 05362F

#### 1 Overview

The EN1242 smoke detector is a wireless, battery powered photoelectric smoke sensor. The sensor includes a built-in sounder for alarm alerts, a visual status LED, and an Inovonics Wireless EchoStream transmitter. The sensor works as part of a security/fire alarm system and communicates with the system control panel. Under normal (non-alarm) conditions, the LED flashes once every eight seconds while the sensor monitors the surrounding conditions. When the sensor detects smoke, the LED lights, the built-in sounder beeps loudly, and an alarm signal is transmitted. The smoke sensor is powered by the two included three-volt lithium batteries. When the EN1242 detects an inactive smoke sensor a tamper message will be transmitted.

Note: For UL installations, refer to the EN4216R Installation and Operation Manual or the EN7285 Installation Instructions.

#### 1.1 Inovonics Wireless Contact Information

If you have any problems with this procedure, contact Inovonics Wireless technical services:

E-mail: support@inovonics.com Phone: (800) 782-2709; (303) 939-9336

### 1.2 EN1242 Components

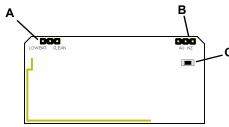


Figure 1 EN1242 Components

A Low Battery/Clean Me Selection Pins

**B** Frequency Band Selection Pins

C Reset Button

## 1.3 EN1242 Features

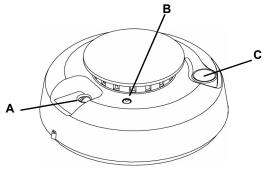


Figure 2 EN1242 Features

A Sounder Vent B LED

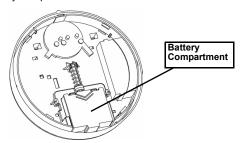
C Test/Silence **Button** 

## 2 Installation and Startup

### 2.1 Install Batteries

Turn the sensor housing counterclockwise 15 degrees and detach it from the mounting base.

2. Remove the battery compartment cover.



**Figure 3** EN1242 Battery Compartment Cover **3.** Install/replace the two three-volt batteries.

Note: A tamper message will transmit for approximately ten seconds while the unit powers up after the installation of both batteries. If only one battery is installed, the tamper message will transmit continuously.

### 2.2 Open the Housing

1. Using a small screwdriver to press the sensor cap release tab, apply downward pressure and turn the cap about one inch counter-clockwise to remove the cap..

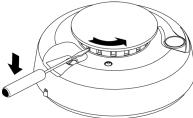


Figure 4 Remove the Sensor Cap

Place both thumbs on either side of the optical chamber and push down to detach the sensor housing.

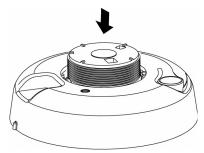


Figure 5 Push Down on the Optical Chamber

## 2.3 Select the Frequency Band

EchoStream products are able to use a range of radio frequencies, and must be configured for your geographic area. To configure the transmitter:

- 1. Place a selection jumper on the appropriate frequency band selection pins.
  - Place the jumper on the left two pins, marked AU, to set the frequency range to 915-928 MHz for Australia.
  - Place the jumper on the right two pins, marked NZ, to set the frequency range to 921-928 MHz for New Zealand.
  - Leave the jumper off the pins to set the frequency range to 902-928 MHz for North America.
- 2. Press the **Reset** button to complete configuration.

Caution: When pressing the Reset button, make sure you don't also touch the frequency band selection pins. Touching the frequency band selection pins while pressing the **Reset** button can inadvertently set the device to the wrong frequency band.

**2.4 Set CleanMe<sup>®</sup>/Low Battery Reporting**Set as the factory default, the EN1242 combines the low battery signal with a signal indicating the detector needs cleaning. If multiple-condition indication is not desired, wireless reporting of the CleanMe status can be disabled by moving the jumper on the low battery/CleanMe selection pins to Low Bat. When this is done, only a low battery signal will be sent from the detector.

Note: Low battery/CleanMe messages are suppressed when an alarm is being transmitted.

Note: Even if CleanMe notification is disabled, the sensitivity test will still indicate sensor condition.

## 2.5 Register the EN1242

The EN1242 must be registered to function in your EchoStream system. Refer to your receiver, network coordinator or control panel manual for registration instructions. Inovonics Wireless recommends all EchoStream transmitters be supervised. When prompted, you will press the EN1242 **Reset** button to complete registration.

#### 2.6 Mount the EN1242

1. Use the provided anchors and screws to mount the EN1242, paying careful consideration to the following best practices:

**Caution:** Regulations pertaining to smoke sensor installations vary. For more information, contact your local fire department or local authority having jurisdiction.

- Install a minimum of two smoke sensors in any household.
- Put a smoke sensor in the hallway outside of every bedroom area.
- Put a smoke sensor on every level of a multi-level residence.
- In rooms with sloped ceilings, install smoke sensors 0.9m (3 feet) measured down from the highest point of the ceiling.
- Install basement sensors on the ceiling as close to the center of the room as possible. If this is not practical, install on the ceiling no closer than 10cm (4 inches) from any wall or corner.
- If ceiling mounting is not practical, install on an inside wall between 10 an 15cm (4 and 6 inches) from the ceiling.
- Put smoke sensors at both ends of a bedroom hallway if the hallway is more than 9m (30 feet) long. Large rooms over 84 square meters (900 square feet) require more than a single sensor.
- Areas with rough ceilings or short, transom-type walls coming down from the ceiling require additional smoke sensors.
- Install second-floor smoke sensors on the ceiling at the top of the firstto-second floor stairwell. Be sure that no door or other obstruction blocks the path of smoke to the sensor.

Do not locate sensors

- To a drop ceiling tile; mount it to a metal runner.
- In or near areas such as kitchens or garages, where smoke or vehicle exhausts normally occur (protect these areas with heat-detection devices, not with smoke sensors); near furnaces, hot water heaters, or gas space heaters.
- In damp or very humid areas, or next to bathrooms with showers. Install sensors at least 1.5m (5 feet) away from bathrooms. In very cold or very hot areas.
- In dusty, dirty, or insect infested areas.
- Near fresh air inlets or returns or excessively drafty areas. Air conditioners, heater, fans, and fresh air intakes and returns can drive smoke away from smoke sensors
- In dead air spaces at the top of a peaked ceiling or wall/ ceiling intersect. Dead air may prevent smoke from reaching a smoke sensor.
- Near fluorescent light fixtures. Install smoke sensors at least 3m (10 feet) away from fluorescent light fixtures.
- Between protruding ceiling structures such as beams or walls which can create dead air spaces and may prohibit smoke from reaching the detector

Caution: All sensors are subject to possible compromise or failure-to-warn for a variety of reasons. For example: Smoke sensors cannot detect smoke in chimneys, walls, roofs, or smoke blocked by a closed door; sensors may not detect smoke on other levels of the building; sensors may not warn in time when fires are caused by smoking in bed, explosions, improper storage of flammables, overloaded electrical circuits, or other hazardous conditions

### 3 Test the EN1242

Caution: To avoid a fire department dispatch, contact the central monitoring station or, if possible, put the system into sensor test mode.

There are two ways to test the EN1242 smoke detector sensor. The sensitivity test should be performed every week; the smoke test should be

performed at least once a year. Both tests activate the alarm sounder and send alarm signals.

The EN1242 should also be tested after initial registration, as well as each time the smoke chamber is changed or the batteries are replaced.

#### 3.1 Smoke Test

Smoke sensors should be tested annually using aerosol simulated smoke, such as ESL Smoke! In a Can® (ESL Part No. SM-200). The LED will remain on while the built-in transmitter sends an alarm signal,

and the sensor will produce a three-beep pattern until the **Test/Silence** button is pressed. The sensor automatically resets when smoke is no longer present. A sensor that fails to activate may require cleaning. If a sensor still fails to activate after cleaning, return the unit for service.

### 3.2 Sensitivity Test

1. Press and hold the test button for four seconds, then release it. The LED will flash corresponding to the sensor's sensitivity.

Flashes	Sensor Condition/Action
1	Self-diagnostics failure. Return sensor for service/ replacement.
2-3	Sensor is becoming insensitive. Clean the sensor (see "Clean the EN1242") and retest. If error persists, replace sensor.
4-7	Sensor is within normal sensitivity range.
8-9	Sensor is becoming too sensitive. Verify that the smoke chamber is snapped down securely. Clean the sensor and

During this test, the control panel, serial receiver or network coordinator should receive an alarm and a low battery signal, if low battery is selected, followed a few seconds later by a restoral.

If the control device fails to respond, it is possible the EN1242 failed to reset properly when the batteries were installed. To force a reset, remove the batteries from the EN1242 for a least 30 seconds, reinstall them, press the **Reset** button, then retest as described above.

## 4 EN1242 Operation

#### 4.1 Test/Silence Button

Test/Silence is pressed to perform the sensitivity test, as well as to silence the low battery chirp. The low battery chirp will resume after 24 hours if the condition is not corrected.

#### 4.2 Status LED

The LED indicates the status of the sensor as follows:

LED flashing The LED flashes every 8 seconds to indicate normal

**LED on** The sensor detects smoke, and is sending an alarm.

LED off Maintenance is required.

#### 4.3 Clean the EN1242

Clean the sensor cover with a dry or damp cloth as needed to keep it free from dust and dirt. Clean the sensor interior and replace the optical chamber at least once each year. Use only ESL model 211 optical chambers for replacement. To clean the sensor chamber:

- Remove the sensor body from the mounting base.
- Remove the batteries.
- Slide a flat-blade screwdriver in the slot on the sensor cap and gently push the handle down to pry the cap off.
  Squeeze the optical chamber where indicated and pull it up and away
- from the sensor. Discard
- Use a soft-bristled brush to remove dust and dirt from the smoke chamber base.
- Align the new optical chamber with the base and snap it down into
- Replace the sensor cap.
- Reinstall the batteries.
- Replace the battery cover.

Note: The base will not fit properly if the batteries are not installed.

- Reattach the sensor to the mounting base.
- Perform the sensitivity test.

## 5 Specifications

Sensor dimensions: Detector: 14.2cm x 6.1cm (5.4" x 2.4") Base: 13.7cm

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Install temperature: 32°F to 100°F (-0°C to 38°C)
Humidity: 10% to 90% non-condensing
Battery: 2 3V-Lithium batteries. Panasonic CR123A is recommended.
Transmitter frequency range: 900 MHz
Average alarm current: 120mA
Average standby current: 35µA
Tynical test current: 2mB Low Battery Typical test current: 2mA Low Battery

Chirp rate: 1 every 45 ± 2 sec. UL listings: UL 268, UL 985.

## 6 Warranty/Disclaimer

Caution: Changes or modifications to this unit not expressly approved by Inovonics Wireless Corporation may void the installer's authority to operate the equipment as well as the product warranty.

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