# **Elpas Temperature Sensors**

P/Ns: 5-STE00433-1 and 5-STC00433-1

# **User Guide**

#### Introduction

Elpas Temperature Sensors are supervised Active RFID Tags that provide wireless remote monitoring of environmental sensitive assets or environments that require strict temperature range compliance.

The sensors report location based temperature monitoring data which is received and relayed over the Elpas infrastructure to a host RTLS application or an integrated 3rd party platform for regulatory compliance, temperature-range alerting or trend analysis.

Sensors are available with an internal thermistor for ambient temperature monitoring or with an external probe for applications requiring higher precision. Both sensors feature wireless call-button functionality to report preconfigured maintenance messages plus remote device supervision to ensure field reliability.

Elpas Temperature Sensors are water/dust resistant, cleanable with alcohol based disinfectants and are powered by one field-replaceable lithium battery.



It is important that you understand, and follow the instructions in this document. Should you have any questions, please contact your local ELPAS support representative before proceeding with the installation, operation or maintenance of these products.



**Internal Thermistor Configuration** 



**External Probe Configuration** 

### **Product Specifications**

	Internal Thermistor (P/N: 5-STE00433-1)	* External Probe (P/N: 5-STC00433-1)
Signaling Technology	RF (433MHz)	RF (433MHz)
Transmission	Supervision transmission duration - 4ms Supervision transmission period - 127sec	Supervision transmission duration - 4ms Supervision transmission period - 127sec
Sensor Range	-10°C to 70°C (14°F to 158°F)	-40°C to 80°C (-40°F to 176°F)
Sensor Accuracy	+/- 2.0°C (-10°C to 70°C)	+/- 0.5°C (0°C to 70°C) +/- 1.0°C (-40°C to 0°C) & (70°C to 80°C)
Sensor Resolution	+/- 0.1°C	+/- 0.1°C
Sensor Cable Length	N/A	2.5m (8.0 FT)
Supervised Events Button Press/Low Battery	6 RF transmissions (each transmission 4ms in duration), total burst duration - 927.5ms	6 RF transmissions (each transmission 4ms in duration), total burst duration - 927.5ms
Power Source	3V/270mAh lithium battery, Type CR 2430	3V/600mAh lithium battery, Type CR 2450
Average Battery Life	Three years	Three years
Status Indicators	Red LED: Button Press, Low Battery Green LED: Activation from sleep-mode	Red LED: Button Press, Low Battery Green LED: Activation from sleep-mode
Badge ID	Unique, factory-programmed ID	Unique, factory-programmed ID
Construction	PA Plastic (Nylon)	PA Plastic (Nylon)
IP Rating	Sensor: IP64	Sensor: IP64. External Probe: IP67
Dimensions (H x W x D)	34 x 40 x 15 mm (1.3 x 1.6 x 0.6 inches)	34 x 40 x 15mm (1.3 x 1.6 x 0.6 inches)
Weight	20 grams (0.75 ounces)	20 grams (0.75 ounces)
Remote Management	Eiris Software V4.7.2 (or higher)	Eiris Software V4.7.2 (or higher)
Standards	IC, FCC & CE compliant	IC, FCC & CE compliant
Warranty	1 year limited warranty (excluding battery)	1 year limited warranty (excluding battery)

<sup>\*</sup>Note: P/N: 5-STC00433-1 includes external probe - temperature sensor, one glycol bottle, one tag mounting clip and one probe mounting clip.

Product offerings and specifications are subject to change without notice. Not all products include all features

### **Compatible Accessories**

Part Number	Description	
5-BC012430	3V/270mAh Lithium Battery, CR2430 (25pcs)	
5-PBA90003	3V/600mAh Lithium Battery, CR2450 (25pcs)	
5-ETC09001	Mounting Clip (5 units)	
5-STC90001	Glycol Bottle and Mounting Kit	

## **Supported Button Press Events**

Temperature Sensors support Button Press events (designated B1) to report maintenance messages.

- Button Press: 3 messages are transmitted (each @ 4ms in duration), 463.75ms apart. B1=1
- Button Release: 3 messages are transmitted (each @ 4ms in duration), 463.75ms apart. B1=0
- Steady State (no button press/button release) B1=0



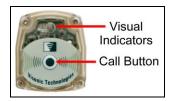
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#### **Initial Activation**

Temperature sensors come from the factory in Sleep Mode to conserve battery power during shipping.



To Activate the sensor from sleep mode, remove the Activation Label. Then press the sensor's call button for at least 7 seconds.



If the activation process is successful the sensor's LED indicator will glow green for about 3 seconds.

The sensor is now ready to for enrollment in the host RTLS application.

#### **Glycol Bottle Usage Tips**

When inserting the probe into the bottle, push the probe fully through the screw cap so that a leak-proof seal is formed and then ensure that the cap is properly screwed onto the bottle.

When removing the probe from the bottle, first unscrew the cap and only then **PUSH** the probe out from the cap.



Caution **DO NOT** pull the probe from the cap as this may cause damage to the probe or to the interface cable.

# **Battery Replacement**

Change the sensor's status in the host RTLS application to 'Inactive'.

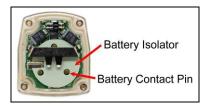
Place the sensor back cover side up. Unscrew the 4 screws to remove the back cover



Slide the battery out from under the battery holder. Dispose of used battery in accordance with local regulations.



Before inserting a new battery into place, position the battery Isolator such that its holes align with the battery contact pins.



Replace the battery ensuring that the positive (+) side of the battery faces up.

Close the back cover such that the screw holes are correctly aligned. Tighten the 4 screws snugly into place. Do not overtighten as this may strip the case threads.

Change the sensor's status in the host RTLS application back to 'Active'.

#### **Installation & Usage Considerations**

- 1. Temperature sensors are not compatible with Elpas1 Lon Readers.
- 2. The transmission range of the temperature sensor may vary when mounted in different types of refrigeration units; therefore a facility site survey to examine specific sensor mounting environments is required.
- 3. Always use an Elpas Mounting Clip (P/N: 5-ETC09001) to mount the temperature sensor so that it can easily be removed for service or replacement,
- 4. Supervisory Alerts should be configured in the host RTLS application to notify staff members that the temperature sensor is: 1) being tampered with, 2) is in a low voltage condition or 3) is not properly transmitting temperature data. Additionally, the operational status of these system alerts should be triggered once a week to ensure system integrity.

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# **Sensor Mounting Guidelines - Refrigerator Applications**

The **Elpas Internal Thermistor - Temperature Sensor** (P/N: 5-STE00433-1) is suitable for general purpose refrigerator applications (such as food and pharmaceutical storage) where ambient temperature monitoring is sufficient.

Use an **Elpas Mounting Clip** (P/N: 5-ETC09001) with an ultra-high bound adhesive to mount the temperature sensor on the side wall as close to the middle of the refrigerator as possible. Avoid mounting the temperature sensor near or in the direct air path of cold air intake since there will may be wide temperature swings at this



location. If the refrigerator is relatively empty consider adding bottles of water or other items to help stabilize the temperature of the refrigerator.



The **Elpas External Probe - Temperature Sensor** (P/N: STC00433-1) is for refrigerator applications (such as blood, vaccines and pathology storage) where it is necessary to immerse the probe in propylene glycol to better match the thermal properties of the items being stored. Mount the probe and glycol bottle on the side or back corner of the refrigerator where it will not be disturbed, while placing the sensor's electronics either inside or outside the refrigerator. Use tape or tie-wraps to secure the probe cable to the side wall or shelf.

### **Sensor Mounting - Freezer Applications**

The **Elpas External Probe - Temperature Sensor** (P/N: STC00433-1) is also for freezer applications below -20°C/4°F where placement is limited by the operating limits of the sensor's electronics and battery. The sensor's remote probe enables temperature measurements inside the freezer while its electronics and battery is mounted externally on the outside of the freezer. The probe can be attached to a shelf or other bracket using tie-wraps. Avoid the cold air intake and try not to mount it on the top of the freezer as this area can become warm during defrost cycles, In relatively empty freezers add bottles of frozen water or ice packs to help stabilize the temperature of the freezer.



# **Cleaning Procedures**

Use an appropriate antibacterial disinfectant such as Dispatch® Hospital Cleaner Disinfectant with Bleach from Caltech Industries (<a href="http://www.caltechind.com">http://www.caltechind.com</a>) to clean the Elpas Temperature Sensors.

Since 'Cleaning Procedures' may vary according to facility guidelines, thus the procedures given below are for illustrative purposes only:

# Option 1 - Using Dispatch Disinfectant Spray

- Lightly wet a disposable towel with Dispatch spray
- 2. Do not saturate the towel
- 3. Wipe the outer surfaces of the sensor
- 4. Next wipe the sensor with a dry disposable towel
- 5. Allow the sensor to air dry
- 6. Return the clean sensor to inventory or usage
- 7. Dispose of used towels per facility policies

# Option 2 - Using Dispatch Disinfectant Towels

- 1. Open a new Dispatch pre-moistened towel
- 2. Wipe the outer surfaces of the sensor
- Next wipe the sensor with a dry disposable towel
- 4. Allow the sensor to air dry
- 5. Return the clean sensor to inventory or usage
- 6. Dispose of used towels per facility policies



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#### Compliance Standards

These devices (FCC #:04X5-RLE00125 and IC #:1467G-RLE00125) complies with FCC Rules Part 15 and with industry Canada license exempt RSS.

Operation is subject to the following two conditions:

- (1) This device may not cause harmful interference, and
- (2) This device must accept any interference received, or that may cause

For industry Canada: Le présent appareil est conforme aux CNR d'Industrie Canada applicables aux appareils radio exempts de licence. L'exploitation est autorisée aux deux conditions suivantes : (1) l'appareil ne doit pas produire de brouillage, et (2) l'utilisateur de l'appareil doit accepter tout brouillage radioélectrique subi, même si le brouillage est susceptible d'en compromettre le fonctionnement.

Note This equipment has been tested and found to comply with the limits for a Class B digital device, pursuant to part 15 of the FCC Rules. These limits are designed to provide reasonable protection against harmful interface in a residential installation. This equipment generates; uses and can radiate radio frequency energy and, if not installed and used in accordance with the instructions, may cause harmful interference to radio communications.

However, there is no quarantee that interference will not occur in a particular installation. If this equipment does cause harmful interference to radio or television reception, which can be determined by turning the equipment off and on, the user is encouraged to try to correct the interference by one or more of the following measures:

- Reorient or relocate the receiving antenna.
- Increase the separation between the equipment and receiver.
- Connect the equipment into an outlet on a circuit different from that to which the
- Consult the dealer or an experienced radio/TV technician for help.

Changes or modifications to this equipment not expressly approved by the party responsible for compliance (Elpas Solutions Ltd.) could void the user's authority to operate the equipment.

#### **Company Contact**

Elpas, Inc.

Westford, Massachusetts (USA) - Tel: 1-800-223-0020

#### **EU Declaration of Conformity**

This equipment is in compliance with the essential requirements and other relevant provisions of Directive 1999/5/EC.

### **Product Warranty**

Elpas Solutions Ltd. (ELPAS or the Company), and its affiliates, warrants its products (hereinafter referred to as "the Product") to be free of defects in materials and workmanship under normal operating conditions and use for a period of one year from the date of shipment by ELPAS. The Company's obligations shall be limited within the warranty period, at its option, to repair or to replace the defective Product or any defective component or part thereof. To exercise this warranty, the product must be returned to the manufacturer freight prepaid and insured.

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