HOBO® U9 Motor On/Off Data Logger (Part # U9-004)

Inside this package:

- HOBO U9 Motor On/Off Data Logger
- Mounting kit with magnet, hook and loop tape, 3/8" double-sided tape.

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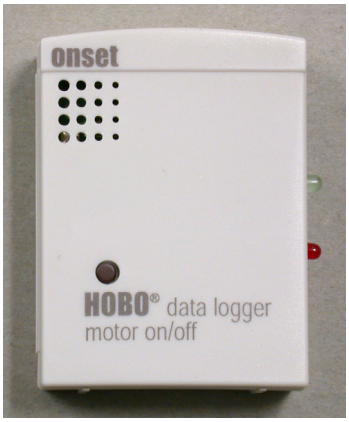


Thank you for purchasing a HOBO data logger. With proper care, it will give you years of accurate and reliable measurements.

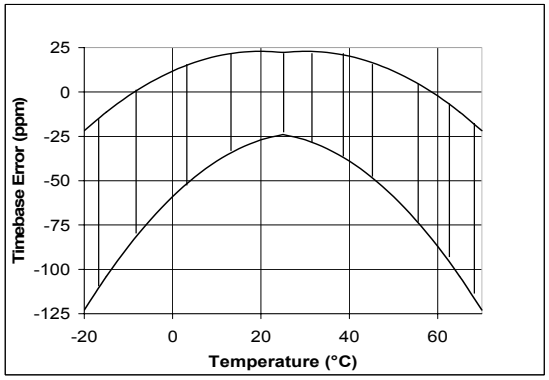
The HOBO U9 Motor On/Off Data Logger has 64K of memory and can record up to 43,000 state changes. The state channel monitors motor on and off conditions by sensing an AC magnetic field.

The logger uses a direct USB interface for launching and data readout by a computer.

A HOBOware™ software starter kit is required for logger operation. Visit www.onsetcomp.com for details.

Specifications

AC field threshold	750mGauss at 60Hz
Time accuracy	Approximately ± 1 minute per month at 25°C (77°F); see Plot A
Operating temperature	Logging: -20° to 70°C (-4° to 158°F) Launch/readout: 0° to 50°C (32° to 122°F), per USB specification
Humidity range	0 to 95% RH, non-condensing
Battery life	1 year typical use
Memory	64K bytes (up to 43,000 state changes); see "Storage capacity" on the next page
Weight	29 g (1.0 oz)
Dimensions	45 x 60 x 20 mm (1.8 x 2.38 x 0.77 inches)
CE	The CE Marking identifies this product as complying with the relevant directives in the European Union (EU).

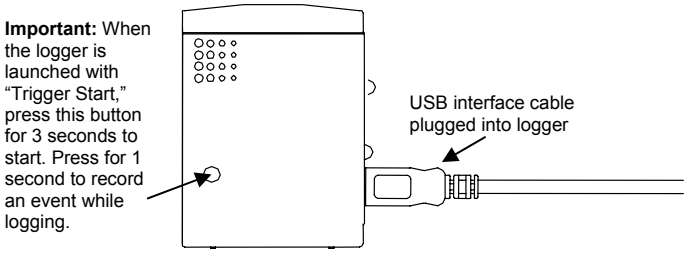


Plot A

Connecting the logger

The U-Series logger requires an Onset-supplied USB interface cable to connect to the computer. If possible, avoid connecting at temperatures below 0°C (32°F) or above 50°C (122°F).

1. Plug the large end of the USB interface cable into a USB port on the computer.
2. Plug the small end of the USB interface cable into the side of the logger, as shown in the following diagram.
3. Load and use logger software to operate the logger (see software manual).



If the logger has never been connected to the computer before, it may take a few seconds for the new hardware to be detected.

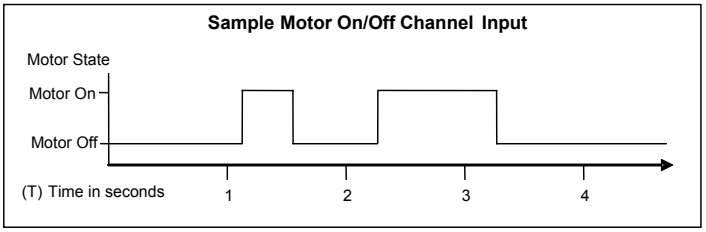
You can read out the logger while it continues to log, stop it manually with the software, or let it record data until the memory is full.

Refer to the software user's guide for complete details on launching, reading out, and viewing data from the logger.

Important: If you configure the logger to start with a trigger start, be sure to press and hold down the button on the front of the logger for at least three seconds when you want to begin logging data. When you release the button, the light on the side of the logger will flash rapidly to indicate that logging has begun.

State logging

The logger checks the state value every second. It is unaware of any changes that happen between checks. Accordingly, if the motor activity shown in Plot B below is applied, the logger does not see the momentary motor-on-to-off transition that happens between T1 and T2 because the motor is off at both times. However, the motor state changes from T2 to T3, and from T3 to T4, are recorded as one motor-on state that begins at T3 and ends at T4.



Plot B

Using the AC field sensor

Your logger contains a coil, which is used to monitor motor on and off conditions. It does this by sensing the magnetic field created when an AC motor turns on. The sensitivity threshold is 750mGauss @60Hz. The coil is located just below the pushbutton and should be as close to the field as possible. Magnetic field intensities fall off rapidly with increasing distance from their source. This means the logger must be mounted very close to (ideally, directly on) the field source. If you cannot mount the logger directly on a motor with heat fins or shielding, mounting the logger to one phase or "leg" of power going to the motor may be an alternative if the field in the "leg" is large enough.

Test deployment

Before deploying your HOBO U9 Motor On/Off logger for an extended period, Onset **strongly** recommends running a test deployment to ensure that the logger is reliably recording when your device turns on and off. Reposition the logger and repeat the test deployment, if needed.

Note! It is especially important to test on large-frame motors and on motors that are completely enclosed.

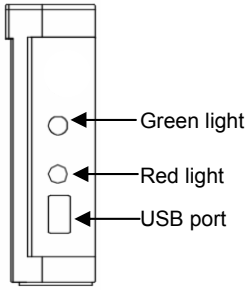
Storage Capacity

The logger's storage capacity depends on the interval between state changes. The longer the interval between a state change, the more memory is needed to store the data. The following table shows how memory capacity is affected by various intervals between state changes, assuming the battery channel is disabled.

Average interval between state changes	Approximate total points
1 sec. – 15 sec.	43,439
16 sec. – 4.25 min.	32,512
4.24 min – 68.25 min.	26,009

Logger operation

Lights (LEDs) on the side of the logger confirm logger operation.



The following table explains when the logger blinks during logger operation:

When:	The lights:
The logger is logging battery channel faster than four seconds	Blinks at the battery logging interval • Red LED blinks if motor is not detected • Green LED blinks if motor is detected*
The logger is logging battery channel at four seconds or slower, or is logging only state changes	Blinks every four seconds • Red LED blinks if motor is not detected • Green LED blinks if motor is detected*
The logger is awaiting a start because it was launched in Start At Interval, Delayed Start, or Trigger Start mode	Red LED blinks once every eight seconds until launch begins
The button on the logger is being pushed for a Trigger Start launch or manual event	Red LED blinks once every second while pressing the button and then (trigger start only) flashes rapidly once you release the button. The light then reverts to a blinking pattern based on the logging interval

*Faint red LED blinks can be seen when motor is detected. This is a normal condition; the logger is checking its battery voltage.

Internal events

Events are independent occurrences triggered by logger activity. Examples of events recorded asynchronously during deployment include: when the logger is connected to the host, when the battery is low, end of a datafile once the logger is stopped, and button pushes.

Press the button on the front of the logger for one second to record an event. Both a "button down" and a "button up" event will be recorded. This is useful if you want to mark the datafile at a particular point.

Logging the battery voltage

In addition to state readings, the logger can record battery readings at regular intervals. If you enable the internal battery channel for logging, battery measurements should be made at long intervals (one hour or greater) to minimize memory usage.

Protecting the logger

The logger can be permanently damaged by corrosion if it gets wet. Protect it from condensation. If it gets wet, remove the battery immediately and dry the circuit board with a hair dryer before reinstalling the battery. Do not let the board get too hot. You should be able to comfortably hold the board in your hand while drying.

Note! Static electricity may cause the logger to stop logging. To avoid electrostatic discharge, transport the logger in an anti-static bag, and ground yourself by touching an unpainted metal surface before handling the logger. For more information about electrostatic discharge, visit our website at http://www.onsetcomp.com/support/support.html.

Mounting

There are three ways to mount the logger using the materials in the mounting kit included with the logger.

- Use the hook-and-loop tape to affix the logger to a surface.
- Attach the magnet and then place the logger on a flat magnetic surface.
- Use the double-sided tape to affix the logger to a surface.

Battery

The logger requires one 3-Volt CR-2032 lithium battery. Expected battery life varies based on the temperature and the frequency at which the logger is recording data (the logging interval and the rate of state changes). A new battery typically lasts one year. Deployments in extremely cold or hot temperatures or logging intervals faster than one minute may significantly reduce battery life.

To replace the battery:

1. Disconnect the logger from the computer.
2. Open the case by unsnapping the side cover.
3. Lift the circuit board and carefully push the battery out with a small blunt instrument, or pull it out with your fingernail.
4. Insert a new battery, positive side facing up.
5. Carefully realign the logger in the case and re-close it.

WARNING: Do not cut open, incinerate, heat above 85°C (185°F), or recharge the lithium battery. The battery may explode if the logger is exposed to extreme heat or conditions that could damage or destroy the battery case. Do not dispose of the logger or battery in fire. Do not expose the contents of the battery to water. Dispose of the battery according to local regulations for lithium batteries.

Service and Support

As part of Onset's ongoing efforts to provide 100% customer satisfaction, our Continuing Engineering Group constantly monitors and evaluates all of our products and software. In the unlikely event any significant defect is found, Onset will notify you. If you find a defect, please e-mail us at loggerhelp@onsetcomp.com.

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Repair Policy

Products that are returned after the warranty period or are damaged by the customer as specified in the warranty provisions can be returned to Onset with a valid RMA number for evaluation.

ASAP Repair Policy. For an additional charge, Onset will expedite the repair of a returned product.

Data-back™ Service. HOBO data loggers store data in nonvolatile EEPROM memory. Onset will, if possible, recover your data.

Tune Up Service. Onset will examine and retest any HOBO data logger.

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