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LoRaWAN Wireless sensor

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ERS CO₂



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Important safety information




Read this manual before attempting to install the device!

Failure to observe recommendations included in this manual may be dangerous or cause a violation of the law. The manufacturer, Elektroniksystem i Umeå AB will not be held responsible for any loss or damage resulting from not following the instructions of this operating manual.

- The device must not be dismantled or modified in any way.
- The device is only intended for indoor use. Do not expose it to moisture.
- The device is not intended to be used as a reference sensor, and Elektroniksystem i Umeå AB will not be held liable for any damage which may result from inaccurate readings.
- The battery should be removed from the device if it is not to be used for an extended period. Otherwise, the battery might leak and damage the device. Never leave a discharged battery in the battery compartment.
- The device must never be subjected to shocks or impacts.
- To clean the device, wipe with a soft moistened cloth. Use another soft, dry cloth to wipe dry. Do not use any detergent or alcohol to clean the device.



Disposal note in accordance with ElektroG and WEEE Directive 2012/19/EU

 The device, as well as all the individual parts, must not be disposed of with household waste or industrial waste. You are obliged to dispose of the device at the end of its service life in accordance with the requirements of ElektroG in order to protect the environment and to reduce waste through recycling. For additional information and how to carry out disposal, please contact the certified disposal service providers. The sensors contain a lithium battery, which must be disposed of separately.

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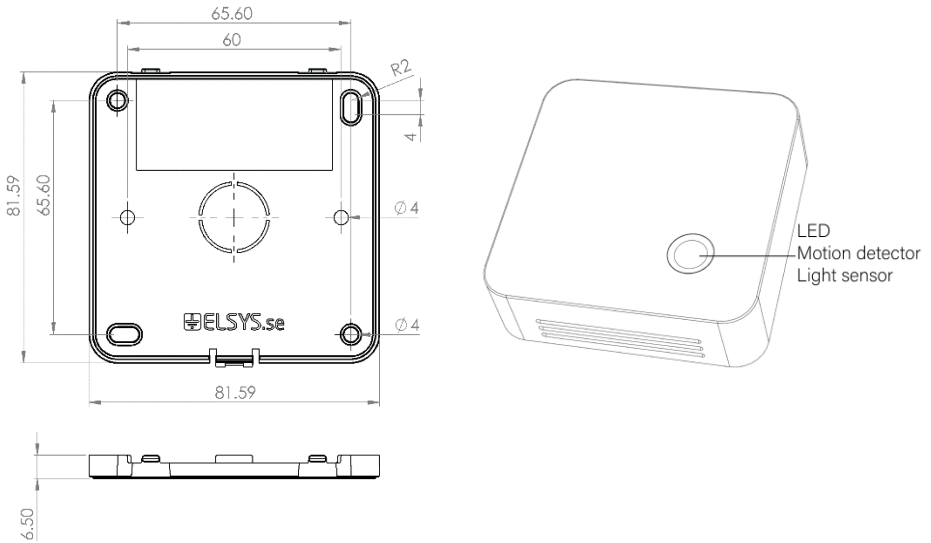
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Description

ERS CO₂ is an advanced indoor climate sensor for LoRaWAN® wireless network. The sensor measures CO₂ levels, temperature, humidity, light intensity, and detects motion. ERS CO₂ is a battery-powered device and is designed to be wall-mounted. The motion sensor can be used for presence monitoring systems. ERS CO₂ is equipped with NFC (Near Field Communication) and can easily be configured from a smartphone.



The barcode contains DevEUI and sensor type. This label is located at the back of your device,

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Main features of ERS CO₂

- Compatible with LoRaWAN® specification 1.0.3
- Measures ambient CO₂ levels
- Measures ambient temperature
- Measures ambient humidity
- Measures light intensity
- Detects motion using a passive IR sensor
- Indicates high or low values with a LED light
- Easy installation
- Easy configuration
- May be installed on a wall or any surface
- Battery-powered
- Long-range communication
- Configurable over NFC
- Configurable over the air
- Ten years of battery life*
- Supported channel plans: US902-928, EU863-870, AS923, AU915-928, KR920-923, RU864, IN865 & HK923
- CE Approved and RoHS compliant

**Depending on settings and environmental factors*

Calibration

The ERS CO₂ Lite is calibrated in factory. Due to delivery and handling, the CO₂ sensor may give false values for the first three (3) ABC-periods. These false values do not indicate that the sensor needs manual calibration. After approximately 24 days the sensor will be self-calibrated.

Forced calibration is not required in normal environments.

How to calibrate

The CO₂ sensor is maintenance-free in normal environments thanks to the built-in self-correcting ABC algorithm. If manual calibration is needed, please follow these instructions:

After configuration, bring the device outside in the fresh air for 10 minutes. The CO₂ sensor will then use the CO₂ levels from fresh air to compare with the CO₂ levels indoors to give correct values.

ABC Algorithm

ABC stands for Automatic Baseline Correction, a self-calibration function for achieving maintenance-free gas sensors. This sensor has a life expectancy of at least 15 years and does not require any further calibration when used in normal indoor air applications.

The ABC algorithm constantly keeps track of the sensor's lowest reading in a stable environment over a preconfigured time interval, and slowly corrects for any long-term drift detected as compared to the expected fresh air value of 400 ppm (or 0.04%vol) CO₂. In normal indoor applications, the carbon dioxide level drops to nearly outside air some time during a week. By sampling the values for a period of 8 days and then comparing the lowest stable value with the meters 400 point, it adjusts the zero point according to the new value.

This algorithm takes advantage of the fact that the CO₂ level stabilizes in buildings when unoccupied.

Calibrate for constantly occupied spaces

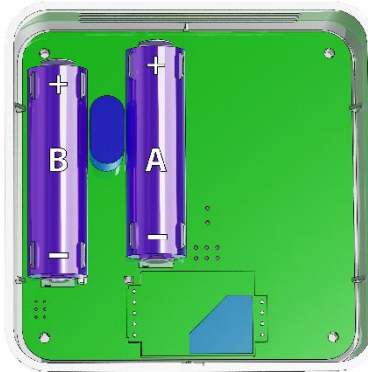
If a space is constantly occupied and there are no periods when outside levels drop to background levels, then the ABC algorithm will not work. This is the case for greenhouses or in closed confined spaces where CO₂ levels may always be elevated. For these applications, the ABC function must be turned off. Without ABC operating, the sensor should be calibrated manually every two or three years.

Installation

1. Remove the back panel of the sensor with a small screwdriver.



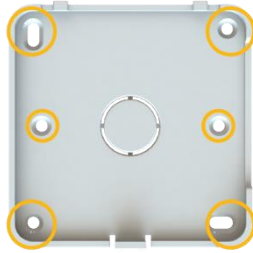
2. Install the batteries. The ERS CO₂ requires one or two AA batteries. The battery type is 3.6V Lithium Battery (ER14505). You can use one battery, but it's recommended that you use two for best performance and battery life. Use battery slot A if only one battery is used.



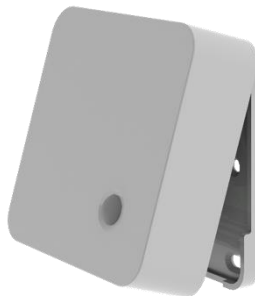
Caution: Using batteries other than the ones provided may result in loss of performance and battery life, and also damage to the device. Dispose of properly, observing environmental protection rules.

3. Mount the back panel securely to the wall with at least 2 appropriate screws, using some of the six mounting holes.

Caution: This device must not be placed near any louver, air vent, or other places exposed to fresh air (e.g., windows, door openings). Such placement will give false CO₂ values.



4. Attach the sensor part to the back panel.



Service and maintenance

No serviceable parts inside. If service is needed other than battery replacement, please contact your distributor.

Sensor configuration

All sensor settings can be configured via a smartphone application with NFC (Near Field Communication) or over the air via the network server and downlink data to the sensor. The sampling rate, spreading factor, encryption keys, port, and modes can be changed. All sensor settings can be locked from the server or NFC to make end-users unable to read or change settings on the sensor.

NFC Configuration

1. Download ELSYS "Sensor Settings" application from Google Play and install it on a smartphone or tablet. The device must support NFC.
2. Enable NFC on the device and start the application.
3. Place your device on top of the NFC antenna on the sensor.



4. Remove the device. Current settings will be displayed in the application.
5. Use the application to change any settings if needed.
6. Quickly tap the device on top of the NFC antenna to give the new settings to the sensor. Make sure that the application confirms your new settings.
7. Wait for the sensor to reboot (5 sec), indicated by the LED flashing. Sensor settings have been updated.

See the section "Help" in the application for more information.

Over the air configuration

All settings may be configured over the air via your LoRaWAN® infrastructure.

Please visit the support section on our webpage for more information regarding downlink protocol.

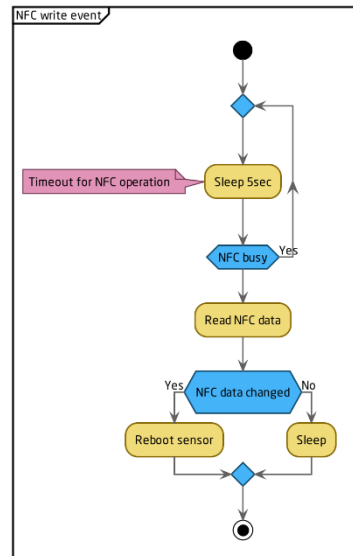
Application parameters

All parameters for the “Sensor settings” application can be found in our settings document. Please visit the support section on our webpage for more information.

Sensor behavior

NFC Read / Write

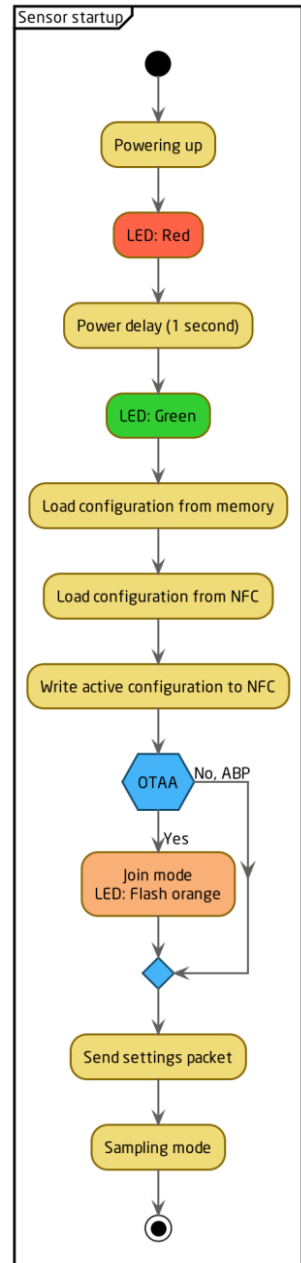
1. When reading or writing NFC configuration data to the sensor, it starts a timer and delays its action 5 seconds.
2. After the delay, the sensor determines if the NFC data has changed or not. If the data has changed, the sensor reboots and starts from power-up.
3. Write your settings in the application and then locate the NFC antenna of the phone and sensor. Keep the two devices close and don't move them to get the best connectivity as possible when writing or reading data to the sensor. Bad connection can be caused by long distance, wrong location, or rapid movement.
4. When you have written data to the sensor, let the sensor reboot and restart before trying to write again.



You should always validate your settings by reading the NFC data after the sensor has restarted.

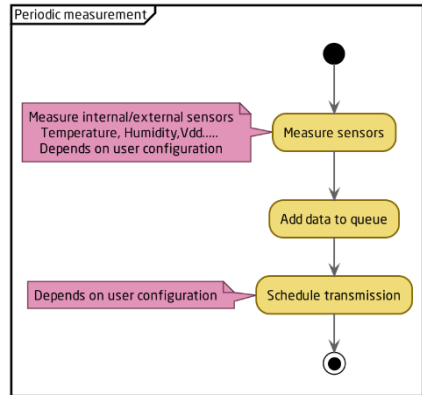
Sensor startup

1. When the sensor starts up, it loads configuration from the internal memory and merges it with user configuration.
2. When the configuration is done, the sensor writes the new configuration to the NFC chip. The sensor always writes new configurations to the NFC chip when something changes in the sensor or if NFC data is corrupted by an NFC writer or phone. The sensor always writes the new configuration to NFC chip at startup.
3. When the configuration is done, the sensor tries to join the network if OTAA (Over the Air Activation) is enabled.
4. The sensor LED flashes orange when it tries to join a network. It will try to join every 10 seconds initially. This interval will increase to save battery, at most up to one time per hour.
5. After successful connection to a network, the sensor sends a settings packet and enters sampling mode.



Sampling mode / Periodic measurement

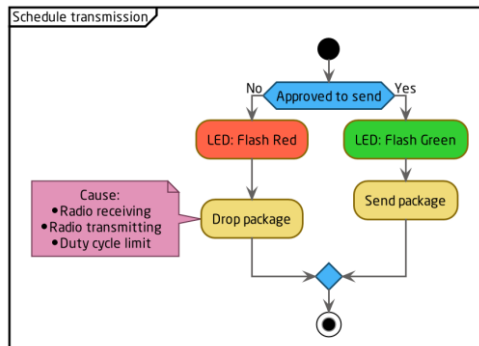
The sensor makes periodic measurements according to the user configurations.



Schedule Transmission

The sensor transmits the data according to the user configurations.

Note: The configured sending interval can be overridden by network limitations. Due to this, the spreading factor and sending interval settings might result in longer intervals than intended.

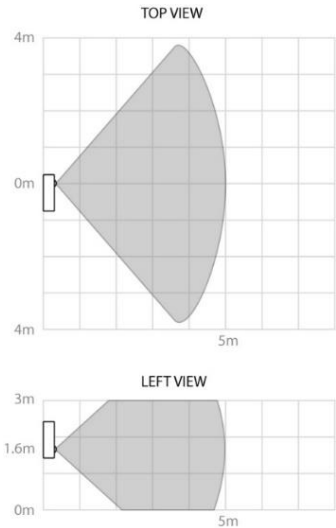


Motion detection range

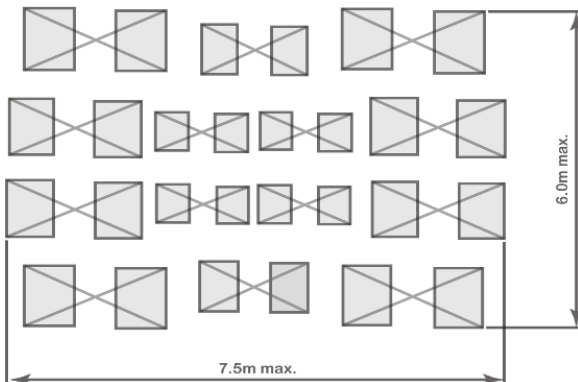
Actual range of the sensor can be influenced by environmental conditions. Avoid installing the sensor in areas where it will face direct or reflected sunlight. Avoid installing near windows, air conditioning, or heating vents. Such placements will give false values.

The PIR can cause self-trigger if sensors are placed too close to each other. Keep this in mind when you mount or test the sensors.

Note: The PIR Lens has a blanking time of 20 seconds right after motion event and transmission. Any movements during this time will be ignored.

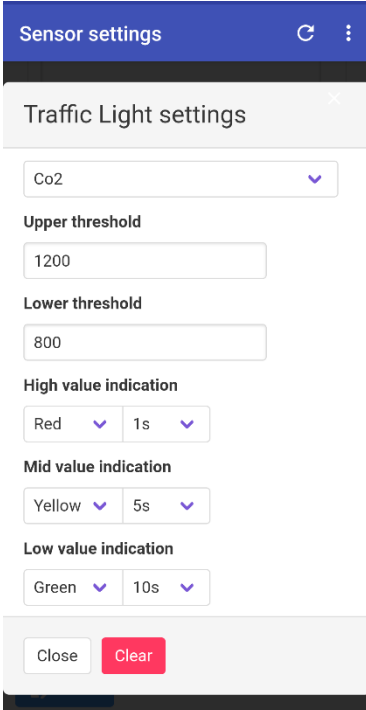


PIR Lens detection pattern



Traffic light LED

Using our application "Sensor settings," you can configure the LED light to indicate if a value is above, below, or in between thresholds.



Sensor settings ↻ ⋮

Traffic Light settings ✕

Co2 ▾

Upper threshold

1200

Lower threshold

800

High value indication

Red ▾ 1s ▾

Mid value indication

Yellow ▾ 5s ▾

Low value indication

Green ▾ 10s ▾

Close Clear

How to interpret the application:

First you choose which sensor you would like the traffic light to be configured for.

Upper threshold: Above this threshold will activate "High value indication"

Lower threshold: Below this threshold will activate "Low value indication"

Values between upper and lower threshold will activate "Mid value indication"

High/Mid/Low value indication: Choose the color of the LED, and with what time interval you want the LED to flash.

Output: Will be sent as settings to the sensor.

Specifications

Sensor payload format

The device uses the standard ELSYS payload format. Please see the specified document on our webpage.

Power supply:	3.6V DC
Battery type:	AA 14505 (Li-SOCl ₂)
EU directives compliance:	RoHS 2011/65/EU WEEE 2012/19/EU
Radio protocol:	LoRaWAN®
Radio frequency band:	US902-928, EU863-870, AS923, AU915-928, KR920-923, RU864, IN865 & HK923
Range:	8 km*
Recommended installation height:	1.6 m
Operating conditions	0 to 50 °C 0 to 85 % RH (non-condensing)
CO ₂ range	0 – 2000 ppm (Extended: 0 – 10000 ppm)
CO ₂ noise	14 ppm at 400 ppm 25 ppm at 1000 ppm
CO ₂ accuracy	± 50 ppm ± 3 % of reading** Extended: ± 10 % of reading**
Temperature range	0 – 40 °C
Temperature resolution	0.1 °C
Temperature accuracy	± 0.2 °C
Humidity range	0 – 100 %
Humidity resolution	0.1 % RH
Humidity accuracy	± 2 % RH
Light range	4 – 2000 Lux
Light resolution	1 Lux
Light accuracy	± 10 Lux
Dimensions	86 x 86 x 27 mm
Battery life	Up to 10 years***

*Measured with settings: SF10, 868 Mhz. The range can be greater or less, depending on terrain and building structure.

**Accuracy is met at 10 – 40°C, 0 – 60%RH, after minimum three (3) performed Automatic Baseline Corrections, preferably spanning eight (8) days in-between, or a successful zero-calibration

***Depending on settings and environmental factors.

Regulations

Legal Notices

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Federal Communication Commission Interference Statement

NOTICE:

This device complies with Part 15 of the FCC Rules and with Industry Canada licence-exempt RSS standard(s).

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, including interference that may cause undesired operation.

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'appareil doit accepter tout brouillage radioélectrique subi, même si le brouillage est susceptible d'en compromettre le fonctionnement.

NOTICE:

Changes or modifications made to this equipment not expressly approved by Elektroniksystem i Umeå AB may void the FCC authorization to operate this equipment.

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 interference 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 guarantee 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 receiver is connected.
- Consult the dealer or an experienced radio/TV technician for help.

Declaration of conformity

Hereby, Elektroniksystem i Umeå AB declares that ERS CO₂ complies with the essential requirements and other relevant provisions of Directive 2014/30/EU and 2014/53/EU.