

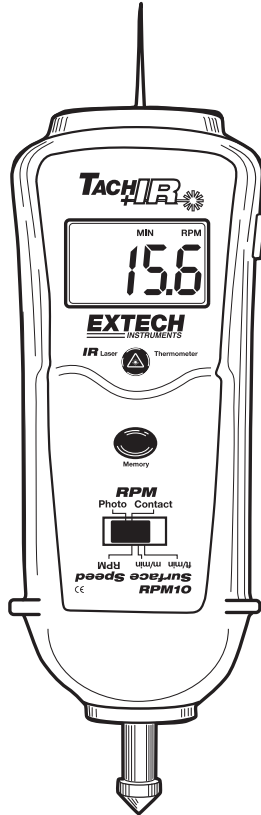
User's Guide

**EXTECH**  
INSTRUMENTS

**TACHIR**

Model RPM10

Laser Photo / Contact Tachometer  
with IR Thermometer



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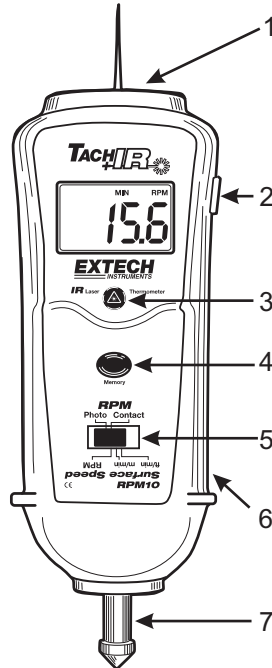
## Introduction

Congratulations on your purchase of Extech's Laser Photo/Contact Tachometer with Non-Contact IR Thermometer, Model RPM10. This Tachometer provides contact RPM and Linear Surface Speed measurements, non-contact RPM measurements and IR temperature measurements. The laser pointer beam provides accurate long distance measurements for photo tachometer measurements and also identifies the measurement spot for the non-contact temperature tests. This meter, with proper care, will provide years of safe reliable service.

## Meter Description

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1. Photo Tachometer sensor, IR Thermometer sensor and laser source
2. MEASURE button
3. IR Thermometer button
4. Memory button
5. Function Switch
6. Battery compartment (rear)
7. Contact Tachometer shaft



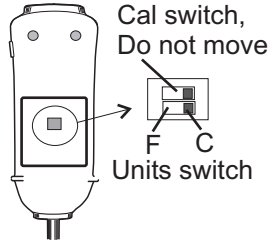
# Meter Operation

## Reversible LCD Display

The meter display indicates Photo Tachometer and IR thermometer measurements in one direction and Contact measurements in the opposite direction. This permits the user to easily read the measurement digits in both measurement modes with the meter held in either direction.

## Temperature Units Selection

The displayed temperature units are selected via a slide switch located in the battery compartment. To select the units (°F/°C), open the battery compartment and remove the batteries, then set the switch for the desired units.

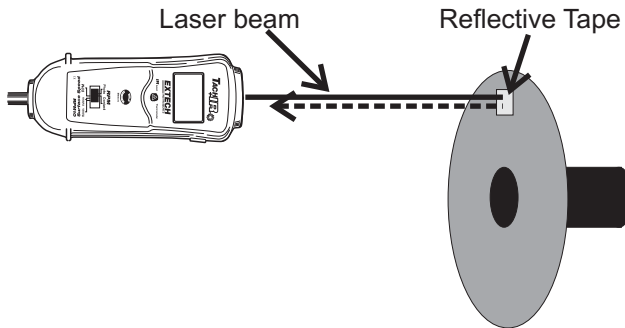


## NON-CONTACT PHOTO TACHOMETER MEASUREMENTS

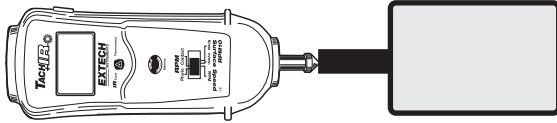
1. Apply an appropriately sized square piece of reflective tape to the surface of the object under test.
2. Move the Function switch to the PHOTO position.
3. Point the laser pointer end of the meter toward the device under test at a distance of 2" to 79" (50 to 2000mm).
4. Press the Measure button (located on the right side of the meter) and align the laser pointer beam with the reflective tape.
5. Verify that the ((•)) Monitor Indicator appears on the LCD when the object under test passes through the light beam.
6. Release the Measure button when the RPM reading stabilizes on the LCD.
7. If the rpm is under 50, apply additional squares of reflective tape. Divide the reading shown on the display by the number of pieces of reflective tape squares to calculate the actual rpm.

**NOTE:** Bright ambient light may interfere with the reflected light beam. Shading the target area may be necessary in some cases.

**CAUTION:** Rotating objects can be dangerous. Use extreme care.



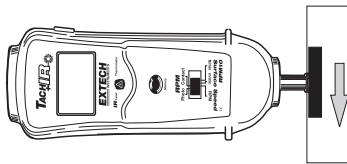
## CONTACT TACHOMETER RPM MEASUREMENTS



1. Install one of the RPM contact tips on the contact shaft.
2. Move the Function switch to the CONTACT position.
3. Press the Measure button while lightly pressing the contact tip against the center of a rotating shaft.
4. Release the Measure button when the display stabilizes (approx. 2 seconds).




## CONTACT LINEAR SURFACE SPEED (ft/min or m/min) MEASUREMENTS



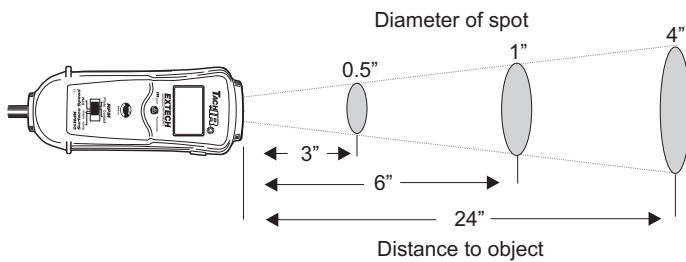
1. Install the Linear speed wheel on the contact shaft.
2. Slide the Function Switch to SURFACE SPEED "ft/min" or "m/min" position.
3. Press the Measure button and hold the surface speed wheel against the moving surface being measured.
4. Release the Measure button when the display stabilizes (approx. 2 seconds).



## NON-CONTACT TEMPERATURE MEASUREMENTS

1. Point the meter at the surface to be measured.
2. Press the red  IR thermometer button.
3. Use the laser pointer to identify the exact spot to be measured.
4. The area of the surface to be measured must be larger than the spot size as determined by the distance to spot size specification.
5. Read the temperature in the display.

**WARNING: Do not directly view or direct the laser pointer at an eye.** Low power visible lasers do not normally present a hazard, but may present some potential for hazard if viewed directly for extended periods of time.



## MIN/MAX and Last Reading Memory Recall

The meter will record Maximum, Minimum, and Last Reading for the period of time the Measure button is held. These stored values can then be recalled directly on the meter's display. The readings will remain in the display for approximately four seconds after a button press.

1. Press the Memory key once: The "Last" icon appears with the stored last reading.
2. Press the Memory key again. The "MAX" icon appears with stored maximum reading
3. Press the Memory key again. The "MIN" icon appears with stored minimum reading

## Specifications

<b>Time base</b>	Quartz crystal 4.9152 MHz
<b>Display</b>	Reversible 5 digit 0.6" (16mm) LCD display
<b>Laser light source</b>	Less than 1mW; Class 2 red laser diode (645nm approx.)
<b>Detecting Distance</b>	2 to 79" (50 to 2000 mm) depending on ambient light and RPM
<b>Memory</b>	Last reading and MIN/MAX readings
<b>Operating Conditions</b>	32 °F to 122 °F (0 °C to 50 °C); RH 80% Max
<b>Power Supply</b>	4 x 1.5 V AA batteries
<b>Power Consumption</b>	24mA DC approx. (>100hrs continuous use)
<b>Weight</b>	10.6oz. (300g) including battery
<b>Size</b>	8.3 x 3.1 x 2.0" (210 x 80 x 50 mm)
<b>Accessories</b>	(4) 1.5V batteries, reflective tape 24" [600mm], (1) surface speed and (2) rpm rotating attachments, and carrying case
<b>Patent Notice</b>	U.S. Patent 7,111,981

### Range Specifications

	Range	Resolution	Accuracy (%rdg)
Photo Tachometer	10 to 99,999 rpm	0.1 rpm (<1000rpm) 1 rpm (>1000 rpm)	± (0.05% + 1d)
Contact Tachometer	0.5 to 19,999 rpm	0.1 rpm (<1000rpm) 1 rpm (>1000 rpm)	
Surface Speed	0.2 to 6560 ft/min	0.1 ft/min (<1000ft/min) 1 ft/min (>1000ft/min)	± (1% + 1d)
Surface Speed	0.05 to 1999.9 m/min	0.01 m/min (<100m/min) 0.1 m/min (>100 m/min)	
Photo Tachometer Detecting Distance	2 to 79" (50 to 2,000mm) typical* * specified using a 10mm square of reflecting tape at 1,800rpm. The max and min detecting distance will change with environmental conditions, reflecting tape, or speeds above 1800rpm.		

### IR Thermometer Specifications

Range / Resolution	-4 to 600°F (-20 to 315°C)	1°C/F
Accuracy	± 3% of reading or ± 6°F (3°C) whichever is greater. Note: Accuracy is specified for the following ambient temperature range: 64 to 82°F (18 to 28°C)	
Emissivity	0.95 fixed value	
Field of View	D/S = Approx. 6:1 ratio (D = distance, S = spot)	
Laser power	Less than 1mW	
Spectral response	6 to 14 μm (wavelength)	

## Battery Replacement

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The low battery indication appears as "□" on the display. To replace the batteries, loosen the two Philips head screws securing the rear battery cover and lift the cover off. Replace the four 1.5V AA batteries, and replace cover.

## Calibration and Repair Services

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Extech offers complete repair and calibration services for all of the products we sell. For periodic calibration, NIST certification or repair of any Extech product, call customer service for details on services available. Extech recommends that calibration be performed on an annual basis to ensure calibration integrity.

## Warranty

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*EXTECH INSTRUMENTS CORPORATION warrants this instrument to be free of defects in parts and workmanship for one year from date of shipment (a six month limited warranty applies to sensors and cables). If it should become necessary to return the instrument for service during or beyond the warranty period, contact the Customer Service Department at (781) 890-7440 ext. 210 for authorization or visit our website [www.extech.com](http://www.extech.com) for contact information. A Return Authorization (RA) number must be issued before any product is returned to Extech. The sender is responsible for shipping charges, freight, insurance and proper packaging to prevent damage in transit. This warranty does not apply to defects resulting from action of the user such as misuse, improper wiring, operation outside of specification, improper maintenance or repair, or unauthorized modification. Extech specifically disclaims any implied warranties or merchantability or fitness for a specific purpose and will not be liable for any direct, indirect, incidental or consequential damages. Extech's total liability is limited to repair or replacement of the product. The warranty set forth above is inclusive and no other warranty, whether written or oral, is expressed or implied.*

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