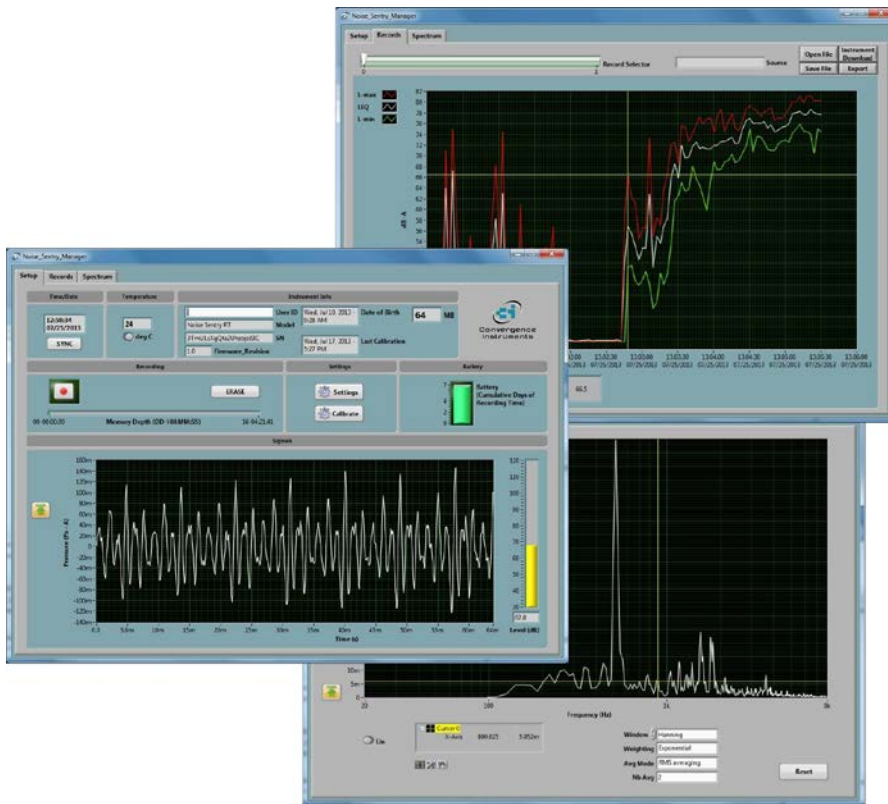




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Noise Sentry RT

Data Sheet



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1 Product Description

Noise Sentry RT is a new generation of smart integrating sound-level meter/datalogger. It includes a digital MEMS microphone, an accurate date/time clock and a non-volatile 128 Mb recording memory. It can record sound pressure levels autonomously for a week. Connected to an external USB charger it can record for months. Its very small size allows it to be attached to or embedded within the monitored equipment.

The *Noise Sentry RT* includes the following features:

- Digital very sensitive MEMS microphone (31 dBA typical noise floor)
- Completely sealed weatherproof enclosure designed for outdoors applications.
- All-digital design.
- Ultra stable sensitivity (field recalibration is easily done, but seldom required)
- Very low sensitivity variation due to temperature changes
- Very low sensitivity to vibrations
- A and C weighting curves.
- *Integrating* Sound-Level Meter, records L-max, L-min and Leq levels.
- Software function calculates global Leq and/or dose, according to ISO and OSHA methods.
- Adjustable response time.
- Preprogrammed recording start date/time.
- Integrated oscilloscope function that can show the acoustic signal in real time.
- Integrated spectral analyzer function that can show the spectrum in real time.
- Allows the observation of recorded levels while the recording is ongoing.
- Works standalone, or USB connected for setup and data transfer to PC.
- Long life internal rechargeable battery that recharges from USB and most USB chargers.
- Can be field-calibrated.
- Observes and records 100% of the acoustic signal (no missed samples).
- Editable individual custom ID for easier instrument management.
- LabVIEW driver available

2 Applications

- Sound level and acoustic dose measurement and recording.
- Monitoring of safe working conditions.
- Activity detection and recording.
- Long-term measurement and recording of acoustic levels for environmental impact studies.
- Specially designed for long-term outdoors applications.

3 Specifications

Category	Specification
Bandwidth	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• 25 Hz to 8 kHz
Microphone Sensor	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Digital MEMS
Precision Class	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Type II
Saturation Level (typical @ 1 kHz)	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• 117 dB-A• 114 dB-C

Temperature Error	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Better than 0.1 dB (0 degC < T < 60 degC) Better than 0.5 dB (-20 degC < T < 60 degC)
Sensitivity to Vibrations	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> 60 dB_{SPL}/g (20 dB lower than typical measurement microphone)
Weighting Curve	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> dB-A dB-C
Noise-Floor (Typical)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> 31 dB-A 40 dB-C
Recording Resolution	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> 0.1 dB
Duty Rate of Signal Capture	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> 100% - No Missed Samples
Real-Time Spectral Display	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> 512-point Power Spectrum – dB or Lin Scale.
Calibration	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Field-calibrated using a 1/2" calibrator
Connectivity	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> USB
Battery Type	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Integral Li-Poly - USB-Rechargeable
Recharge Time	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> 2 H 30 (Typical)
Battery Autonomy (Full-Charge)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> 7 days while recording
Battery Life	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> > 300 Charge/Discharge Cycles
Temperature Range	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> -20 degC to 60 degC (-4 degF to 140 degF)
Recording Memory	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Non-Volatile Flash Memory
Recording Memory Capacity (RT128 Model)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> 128 Mb Ex: can continuously record Lmax, Lmin and Leq levels at 1s intervals for 32 days, or 10s intervals for 320 days.
Recording/Erasure Cycles	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Greater than 100 000
Data Retention	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Greater than 20 Years
Dimensions	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> 76.2 mm x 39.4 mm x 59 mm (3" x 1.55" x 0.81")
Weight	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> 100 g
Construction	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Integrally Potted Weather-Proof ABS Enclosure

Table 1

3.1 Frequency Response

[Figure 1](#) shows the typical spectral error in dB-A and dB-C, together with the type II limit lines.

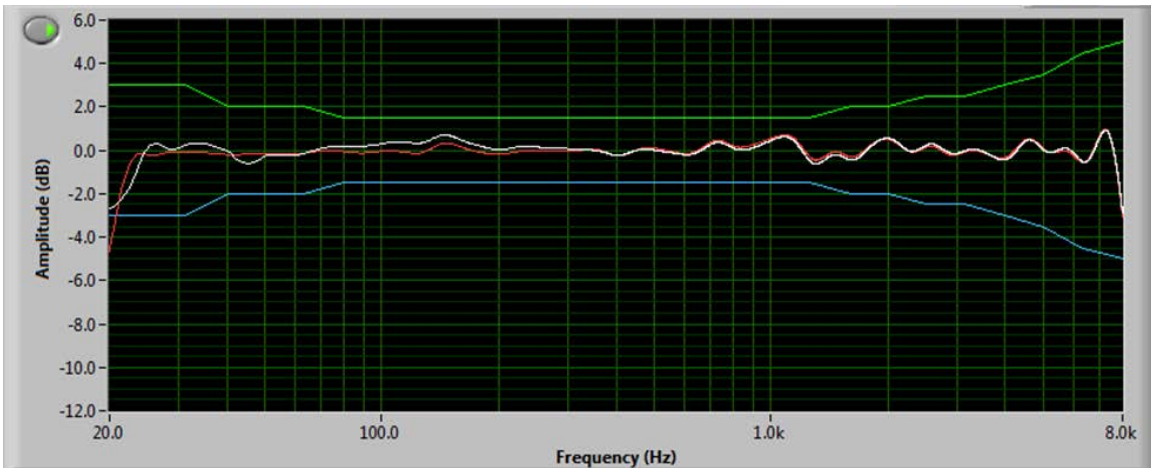


Figure 1

4 NS_RT_Manager Application Specifications

Category	Specification
Compatibility	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Windows XP, Windows Vista, Windows 7, Windows 8
Configuration	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Instrument Internal Time User ID Weighting curve Recording Interval Recording Statistics Time constant for level measurement Start Date/Time
Display	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Instrument Internal Time Instrument Internal Temperature Instrument Information (Serial Number, User-ID, Calibration...etc.) Real-Time Acoustic Signal Real-Time Sound Level Real-Time Spectrum Recorded Sound Levels Global Leq/Dose Calculation (ISO and OSHA methods) Battery Level and Charge All graphs can be viewed in dB or Lin scale
Record Management	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Record Manual Start/Stop Recording Memory Download (Even while recording) Recording Memory Clear Auto-Calculation of Memory Depth
Data Export	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Export to Tab-Delimited Format for Use with Spreadsheet Applications

Table 2

Note: Our application portfolio is always growing. In addition to the main VS_RT_Manager application, we have several post-processing applications. Please see our web site at <http://www.convergenceinstruments.com/noise-sentry-rt.html> for up to date information.