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### Standards Used in Testing Wind Speed:

The Kestrel Weather & Environmental Meter impeller installed in this unit was individually tested in a subsonic wind tunnel operating at approximately 300 fpm (1.5 m/s) and 1200 fpm (6.1 m/s) monitored by a Gill Instruments Model 1350 ultrasonic time-of-flight anemometer. The Gill 1350 is calibrated regularly and is traceable to NIST with a maximum combined uncertainty of  $\pm 1.04\%$  within the airspeed range 711.4 to 3930 fpm (3.59 to 19.93 m/s), and  $\pm 1.66\%$  within the airspeed range 170 to 711.4 fpm (0.85 to 3.59 m/s).

### Temperature:

Temperature response is verified in comparison with an Ametek DTI-050 Digital Temperature Indicator and STS Reference Sensor. The DTI-050 is calibrated annually and is traceable to NIST with a maximum relative expanded uncertainty of  $\pm 0.40C$ .

### Direction / Heading

The sensitivity of the magnetic directional sensor is verified after assembly by orienting the unit to the cardinal directions

and confirming the magnetic field output. The compass output is accurate to within  $\pm 5$  degrees as compared to a Suunto KB-14/360R G precision compass.

### Relative Humidity:

Relative humidity is verified in comparison with an Edgetech HT120 Humidity Transmitter. The HT120 is calibrated annually and is traceable to NIST with a maximum relative expanded uncertainty of  $\pm 1.0\%RH$ .

### Barometric Pressure:

Pressure response is verified against a Vaisala PTB210A Digital Barometer. The Vaisala Barometer is calibrated annually and is traceable to NIST with a maximum relative expanded uncertainty of  $\pm 0.3hPa$ .

Approved By:

Michael Naughton  
Chief Product Officer, Nielsen-Kellerman

# Product Specifications for Kestrel 5 Series Weather/Environmental Meters

## SENSORS

SENSOR	ACCURACY (+/-)	RESOLUTION	SPECIFICATION RANGE	NOTES
Wind Speed  Air Speed	Larger of 3% of reading, least significant digit or 20 ft/min	0.1 m/s 1 ft/min 0.1 km/h 0.1 mph 0.1 knots 1 B* 0.1 F/S*	0.6 to 40.0 m/s 118 to 7,874 ft/min 2.2 to 144.0 km/h 1.3 to 89.5 mph 1.2 to 77.8 knots 0 to 12 B* 2-131.2*	1 inch 25 mm diameter impeller with precision axle and low-friction Zytel® bearings. Startup speed stated as lower limit, readings may be taken down to 0.4 m/s  79 ft min 1.5 km/h  .9 mph  .8 kt after impeller startup. Off-axis accuracy -1% @ 5° off axis; -2% @ 10°; -3% @ 15°. Calibration drift < 1% after 100 hours use at 12 MPH  7 m/s. Replacement impeller (NK PN-0801) field installs without tools (US Patent 5,783,753). Wind speed calibration and testing should be done with triangle on impeller located at the top front face of the Kestrel. Measuring wind speeds above 60 m/s / 134.2 mph can damage the impeller.
Ambient Temperature	0.9 °F 0.5 °C	0.1 °F 0.1 °C	-20.0 to 158.0 °F -29.0 to 70.0 °C	Airflow of 2.2 mph 1 m/s or greater provides fastest response and reduction of insolation effect. For greatest accuracy, avoid direct sunlight on the temperature sensor and prolonged sunlight exposure to the unit in low airflow conditions. Calibration drift is negligible for the life of the product. For further details, see Display & Battery Operational Temperature Limits.
Relative Humidity	2%RH	0.1 %RH	10 to 90% 25°C non-condensing	To achieve stated accuracy, unit must be permitted to equilibrate to external temperature when exposed to large, rapid temperature changes and be kept out of direct sunlight. Calibration drift is typically less than ±0.25% per year.
Pressure	1.5 hPa mbar 0.044 inHg 0.022 PSI	0.1 hPa mbar 0.01 inHg 0.01 PSI	25°C/77°F 700-1100 hPa mbar 20.67-32.48 inHg 10.15-15.95 PSI	Monolithic silicon piezo-resistive pressure sensor with second-order temperature correction. Between 1100–1600 mbar, unit will operate with reduced accuracy. Sensor may not operate above 1600 mbar and can be damaged above 6,000 mbar or below 10 mbar. Calibration drift is negligible for the life of the product.
Compass	5°	1° 1/16th Cardinal Scale	0 to 360°	2-axis solid-state magneto-resistive sensor mounted perpendicular to unit plane. Accuracy of sensor dependent upon unit's vertical position. Self-calibration routine eliminates magnetic error from batteries or unit and must be run after every full power-down (battery removal or change). Readout indicates direction to which the back of the unit is pointed when held in a vertical orientation. Declination/variation adjustable for True North readout.

## CALCULATED MEASUREMENTS

MEASUREMENT	ACCURACY (+/-)	RESOLUTION	SENSORS EMPLOYED
Air Density	0.0002 lb/ft³ 0.0033 kg/m³	0.001 lbs/ft³ 0.001 kg/m³	Temperature, Relative Humidity Pressure
Air Flow	6.71%	1 cfm 1 m³/hr 1 m³/m 0.1m³/s 1 L/s	Air Speed, User Input (Duct Shape & Size)
Altitude	typical: 23.6 ft/7.2 m from 750 to 1100 mBar max: 48.2 ft/14.7 m from 300 to 750 mBar	1 ft 1 m	Pressure, User Input (Reference Pressure)
Barometric Pressure	0.07 inHg 2.4 hPa mbar 0.03 PSI	0.01 inHg 0.1 hPa mbar 0.01 PSI	Pressure, User Input (Reference Altitude)
Crosswind & Headwind/ Tailwind	7.1%	1 mph 1 ft/min 0.1 km/h 0.1 m/s 0.1 knots	Wind Speed, Compass
Delta T	3.2 °F 1.8 °C	0.1 °F 0.1 °C	Temperature, Relative Humidity Pressure
Density Altitude	226 ft 69 m	1 ft 1 m	Temperature, Relative Humidity, Pressure
Dew Point	3.4 °F 1.9 °C 15-95% RH. Refer to Range for Temperature Sensor	0.1 °F 0.1 °C	Temperature, Relative Humidity
Evaporation Rate	0.01 lb/ft²/hr 0.06 kg/m²/hr	0.01 b/ft²/hr 0.01 kg/m²/hr	Wind Speed, Temperature Relative Humidity Pressure, User Input (Concrete Temperature)
Heat Index	7.1 °F 4.0 °C	0.1 °F 0.1 °C	Temperature, Relative Humidity
Moisture Content   Humidity Ratio ("Grains")	4.9 gpp 0.7 g/kg	0.1 gpp 0.01 g/kg	Temperature, Relative Humidity Pressure
Probability of Ignition (PIG)	PIG Accuracy dependent on proximity of inputs to reference table steps.	10%	Temperature, Relative Humidity
THI (NRC)	1.5 °F 0.8 °C	0.1 °F 0.1 °C	Temperature, Relative Humidity
THI (Yousef)	2.3 °F 1.3 °C	0.1 °F 0.1 °C	Temperature, Relative Humidity
Relative Air Density	0.3%	0.1%	Temperature, Relative Humidity Pressure
Wet Bulb Temperature - Psychrometric	3.2 °F 1.8 °C	0.1 °F 0.1 °C	Temperature, Relative Humidity Pressure
Wet Bulb Temperature – Naturally Aspirated (NWB TEMP)	1.4 °F 0.8 °C	0.1 °F 0.1 °C	Wind Speed, Temperature Globe Temperature, Relative Humidity, Pressure
Wind Chill	1.6 °F 0.9 °C	0.1 °F 0.1 °C	Wind Speed, Temperature

## ADDITIONAL PRODUCT INFO

Display & Backlight	Multifunction, multi-digit monochrome dot-matrix display. Choice of white or red LED backlight.
Response Time & Display Update	Display updates every 1 second. After exposure to large environmental changes, all sensors require an equilibration period to reach stated accuracy. Measurements employing RH may require longer periods particularly after prolonged exposure to very high or very low humidity. WBGT requires about 8 minutes to reach 95% accuracy and about 15 minutes to reach 99% accuracy after exposure to large environmental changes.
Data Storage & Graphical display, Min/Max/Avg History	Logged history stored and displayed for every measured value. Manual and auto data storage. Min/Max/Avg history may be reset independently. Auto-store interval settable from 2 seconds to 12 hours*, overwrite on or off. Logs even when display off except for 2 and 5 second intervals. Kestrel 5 series units hold over 10,000 data points.
Data Upload & Bluetooth® Data Connect Option	Wireless range up to 100ft. Connection requires optional USB data transfer cable or Kestrel Link Dongle or Kestrel LINK app. Employs Kestrel Link protocol for data transmission with Link supported devices. (Kestrel LINK for iOS/Android, Kestrel Link for PC/MAC).
Clock / Calendar	Real-time hours:minutes:seconds clock, calendar, automatic leap-year adjustment.
Auto Shutdown	User-selectable – Off, 15-60 minutes with no key presses.
Languages	English, French, German, Spanish.
Certifications	CE certified, RoHS, FCC, IC tested and WEEE compliant. Individually tested to NIST-traceable standards.
Origin	Designed and built in the USA from US and imported components. Complies with Regional Value Content and Tariff Code Transformation requirements for NAFTA Preference Criterion B.
Battery Life	AA Lithium included. Up to 400 hours of use, reduced by backlight, alert light and buzzer, or Bluetooth radio transmission use.
Shock Resistance	MIL-STD-810H, Transit Shock, Method 516.8 Procedure IV; unit only; impact may damage replaceable impeller.
Sealing	Waterproof (IP67 and NEMA-6)
Display & Battery Operational Temperature Limits	14° F to 131° F   -10 °C to 55 °C Measurements may be taken beyond the limits of the operational temperature range of the display and batteries by maintaining the unit within the operational range and then exposing it to the more extreme environment for the minimum time necessary to take reading.
Storage Temperature	-22.0 °F to 140.0 °F   -30.0 °C to 60.0 °C.
Size & Weight	5.0 x 1.9 x 1.1 in   12.7 x 4.5 x 2.8 cm, 4.3 oz   121 g. (Lithium battery included)

\*F/S only in Ballistics units. Beaufort not available in Ballistics units.



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Data Storage	Logged history stored for every measured value. Auto-store interval settable from 2 seconds to 12 hours*, overwrite on or off. D1: >13,000 data points, D2: >7,000 data points, D3: >6,000 data points.
Bluetooth® Data Connect Option	Wireless range up to 100ft 30m. Compatible with Kestrel LiNK app for iOS (model 4s and later) and select Android products (Android 4.3 and higher) (See website for complete list of compatible 3 <sup>rd</sup> party apps).
Certifications	CE certified, RoHS, FCC, IC tested and WEEE compliant. Individually tested to NIST-traceable standards.
Origin	Designed and manufactured in the USA from US and imported components. Complies with Regional Value Content and Tariff Code Transformation requirements for NAFTA Preference Criterion B.
Battery	User-replaceable CR2032 (included).
Shock Resistance	MIL-STD-810H, Transit Shock, Method 516.8 Procedure IV; unit only; impact may damage replaceable impeller.
Sealing	Waterproof (IP67 and NEMA-6)
Battery Operational Temperature Limits	0° F to 140° F   -18 °C to 60 °C Measurements may be taken beyond the limits of the operational temperature range of batteries by maintaining the unit within the operational range and then exposing it to the more extreme environment for the minimum time necessary to take reading.
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Size & Weight	2.4 x 1.8 x 0.9 in   6 x 4.5 x 2.3 cm 1.2oz   34g (Lithium battery included)