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RadEye GF-Series

GF

GF-10

Gamma Survey Meters

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SAFETY INSTRUCTIONS

The dose rate measuring range of the RadEye GF-10 is limited to 3 Sv/h (300 R/h for RadEye GF).

Correct dose integration is performed only, if the instrument does not display over load “OVERLOAD”.

The device is **not** intended for use as a legal personal dose meter.

The RadEye GF/GF-10 is **not** well suited for pulsed radiation. There will be a significant under estimation at dose rates during pulse of more than 1.7 R/h / 17 mSv/h.

Do not use the unit if error messages appear on the screen.

The earphone connector at the bottom side of the instrument must be exclusively used by equipment that is specified for use with RadEye GF / GF-10.

The instrument must not be used in explosive atmosphere.

WEEE Compliance:

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1. Introduction

The pocket sized RadEye is a sensitive and rugged device to measure the ambient equivalent dose rate of gamma and X-ray radiation. . In this context, it is important to note, that users may select “R/h”, “Sv/h” “Gy/h” or “rem/h” as a display unit, with the understanding that the energy response characteristic is not altered by this selection. Within the RadEye GF/GF-10 the relation 1 R = 1 rem =10 mSv = 8.77 mGy/h is used.

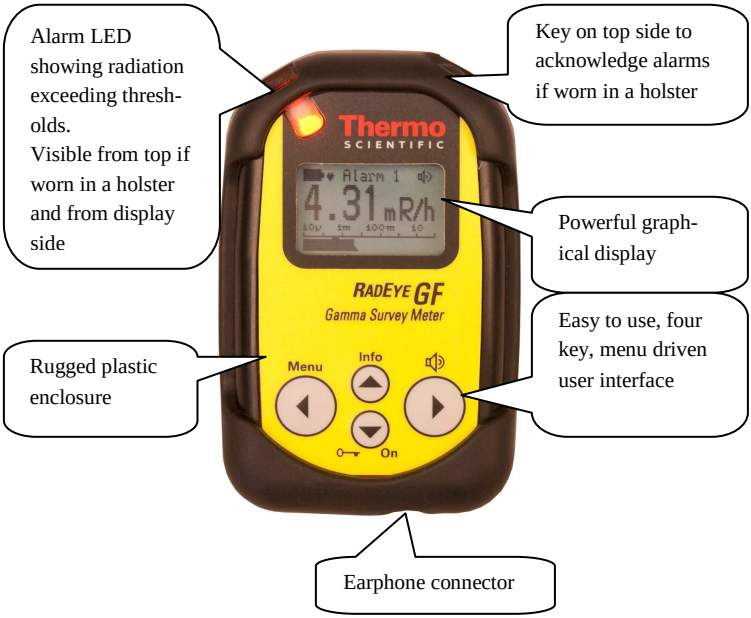
The characteristic feature of the RadEye GF/GF-10 is the use of sophisticated low power technology components and microprocessor based fully automatic self-checks. No maintenance is required.

The last 1600 mean and maximum values of the dose rate are recorded internally and can be read out via serial interface.

Additionally the device logs the last 250 alarms, errors and changes of the configuration. All events can be read out via serial interface.

A real time clock is provided to add a time stamp to all buffer data.

All or selected menu functions described in 3.1 can be configured to be invisible and inaccessible by the user.
Thus, the instrument can be configured to both, an extremely simple mode allowing just LCD-illumination and alarm acknowledgment to a very versatile mode for the more experienced user.



2. Installation and start-up

2.1 Scope of delivery

The RadEye is delivered in a folding paper box together with two AAA cells and an operating manual.

A rubber protection sleeve, a holster and an earphone may be added optionally.

Ordering information for the accessories see chapter 10.

2.2 Inserting the battery

The two AAA-Alkaline cells as delivered with the instrument allow up to 900 h of normal operation.
AAA size rechargeable batteries can be used as well.

- Switch off the measuring instrument.
- If supplied, remove rubber sleeve.

- Open the cover of the battery compartment.
  Use of a coin is recommended.

- Exchange the batteries according to the shown polarity.
- Close the compartment cover hooks first, care for the rubber seal being in its groove.
- Switch on the unit again. (see chapter 2.4).

The instrument continues working in the operating mode set last.
The measured values in the history memory remain stored.
The real time clock for time stamp of history values and logbook continue operation if batteries are exchanged immediately. If Real Time Clock is set, actual time and date is displayed for 3 s.
RTC will always be reset, if instrument is stored without batteries for more than 10 seconds.
History data and measurement parameters are stored permanently, even if batteries are removed.

RTC information is only required, if the instrument switched off and on during operation and if correct timing information for history and logbook entries is needed.

2.3 Mounting of the protection sleeve

The rubber protection sleeve improves ruggedness to mechanical shocks.

For mounting of the sleeve first put the instrument into the top of the sleeve. Then pull lower edges of the sleeve, one after the other into its right position.

First step

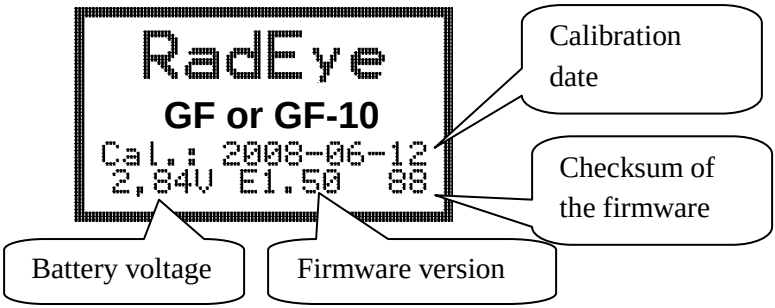
Second step

Front view

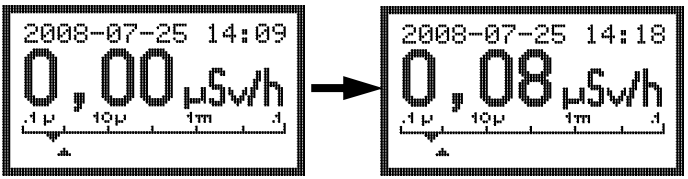
Rear view

2.4 Switching the unit on

To switch on the RadEye, keep the ON button pressed for at least one second. The sound generator (beeper) is initiated.



The RadEye starts working with the parameters previously selected (operation mode, calibration factor, alarm thresholds etc.).
If the real time clock is set, actual date and time is displayed for 3s. The RadEye first displays 0.00 µSv/h. After the first detector pulse the measurement is started.



The first alarm thresholds for dose rate is around 200 - 500 % above the typical normal background and allow sensitive, but false alarm free dose rate monitoring with a reasonable fast response time. The alarm thresholds for the dose are set to the maximum possible values, thus being deactivated. With the setting of the history recording interval of 120 s, the last 52 hours of operation will be stored in the history memory.

These default values are reasonable for the majority of applications. For special applications, the parameters (except calibration parameters) can be changed with the help of the optional PC-program “RadEye.EXE” from V1.30 and the cable 42540/29 or 42540/26. Furthermore, additional monitoring modes can be activated.

The calibration parameters can only be changed in the factory using special software tools.

3. Configuration

3.1 Menu functions

To enter the operating menu, press the “Menu/◄” key.
Scrolling through the single menu options is effected by the ▲/▼ arrow keys.
The display returns to its initial default setting in case no key has been activated for more than 10 seconds.
A “✓”behind some menu items identifies the corresponding function as active.
The menu consists of a main menu and several sub menus.

Using the PC-Software and an interface adapter, any of the functions can be hidden. This allows the user to be given only the functions necessary to accomplish his measurement duties, thus simplifying the handling considerably.

The ▲/▼ keys are used to scroll through the menu.

To select a menu option, release the ◄/Menu key as the respective menu option has been reached.

The meaning of the ◄/Menu key may change with the selected menu. The meaning is shown on the bottom of the display.

Change: Edit Alarm values

Off, **On**: Switching a function on and off

Select: Select a default display mode

Yes: Confirmation of an action

Exit: Exit menu

In Change menu the ▲/▼ keys are used to change a digit of an alarm value.

MENU DISPLAY	SUBMENU DISPLAY	DESCRIPTION OF THE FUNCTION ACTIVATED BY THE LEFT KEY
Switch off		RadEye is switched off. Time and stored data are maintained
Backlight		If selected the backlight is always on. Otherwise the backlight extinguishes after 10s
Measuring unit	rem/h	Select Dose rate (rem/h)
	R/h	Select Dose rate (R/h)
	Sv/h	Select Dose rate (Sv/h)
	Gy/h	Select Dose rate (Gy/h)
Operation mode	Ratemeter	Select Ratemeter mode
	Scaler	Select Scaler mode
Scaler parameter	PresetTimeMode	Scaler mode with fixed time
	PresetCountMode	Scaler mode with fixed count number
	Set time/count	Edit preset time and preset count
	Auto restart	Auto restart of scaler measurements
Alarm Dose Rate		Allows setting of Alarm 1 and 2 for dose rate mode (rem/h, R/h, Sv/h).
Alarm Dose		Allows setting of Alarm 1 and 2 for dose.
Clear Dose		Clears the accumulated dose..
Settings	Battery type	Selection of battery type: rechargeable or non-rechargeable batteries. Correct low battery warning depends on this setting.
	Autosend	If activated, the instrument sends a data string periodically to the infrared port. This is used for radio transmission units.
	Single Pulse	Enabling and disabling of single pulse indication. Activation is done by audio keys (right button and top button). Alternative to “Finder”.
	Finder	Enabling and disabling of audible radiation intensity. Activation is done by audio keys (right button and top button). Alternative to “single Pulse”.
	Set Time/Date	Set time and date of the real time clock.
	Source test	Test the counter tube with a small source

MENU DISPLAY	SUBMENU DISPLAY	DESCRIPTION OF THE FUNCTION ACTIVATED BY THE LEFT KEY
	Language	Change menu language of RadEye
	Contrast	Adjust the LC display contrast
Alarm indication	LED	Enabling and disabling of the optical alarm
	Sound	Enabling and disabling of the acoustic alarm and the audible indication of key-strokes
	Vibrator	Enabling and disabling of the vibration alarm
	LCD LED	Enabling and disabling backlight illumination on alarm
Show alarm		Display of alarms stored in alarm log.
Text info		Displays the text stored in the RadEye
Bluetooth	Master	Combo: Enable automatic connection to another BTcom cover
	Remote/PC	Combo: Remote device
	BTcom	Enable or disable the BTcom cover

3.1.1 Main menu

The menu offers the following displays:

The above illustration depicts all menu options available or possible.

3.1.2 Measuring unit

This submenu is used to select the measuring unit for ratemeter and scaler measurements.
The native units are as follows:
RadEye GF: $\dot{H}$x [R/h] and dose: Hx[R]

RadEye GF-10: $\dot{H}$*(10) [Sv/h] and dose: H*(10)[Sv]

Please Note:
If the native unit is changed by menu, the displayed measurement values are converted. This is **not** a conversion with energy correction!

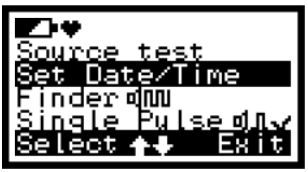
3.1.3 Operation mode

This submenu is used to select between ratemeter and scaler mode. The "✓" show the active configuration.

3.1.4 Scaler parameter

This submenu is used to set the parameters for scaler measurements. Preset TimeMode is used to measure a defined time. Preset CntMode is used to measure a defined number of counts. With “Auto restart” the RadEye restarts automatically the measurement. “Set Time/Count” edit the preset time and count.

3.1.5 Settings



This submenu is used to select between audible single pulse indication and finder mode. The “✓” show the active configuration.
With “Autosend” the RadEye sends a data string periodically to the infrared port. “Batt.type” is used to set the correct threshold for warning message “LOW BATT”.

“Source test” performs a test for the counter tube with a small source (see chapter 4.14).
“Language” changes the menu language between “English”, “German” “French” and Russian. A “✓” shows the active configuration.

Set the display contrast with menu item “Contrast”.

3.1.6 Alarm indication

The submenu alarm indication is used to select the LED, LCD LED, sound and vibrator for alarming. A “✓” shows the active configuration.

3.1.7 Bluetooth

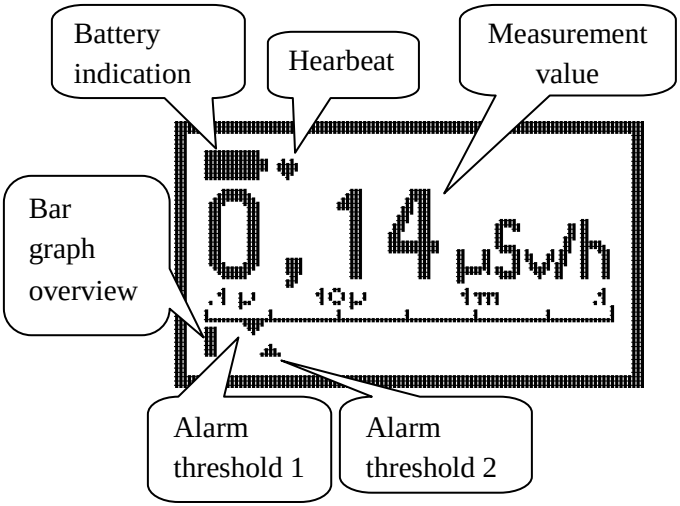
“Master”: Enable automatic connection to another Btcom cover module.

“Remote/PC”: This module can be connected to the Master module “BTcom”: Enable or disable the BTcom cover.

Please read see also chapter 6.4.6. For more information please read the manual DB-093 E.

3.2 Ratemeter

The standard display is indication of the actual dose rate.



Pressing the up ▲/Info – key shows upon the

- 1st click: the accumulated dose
  Additionally the remaining time until the dose alarm 1 is reached, assuming the current dose rate will persist.
- 2nd click: the mean value and max value of the measured dose rate, together with the time indicated since the last reset.
- 3rd click: standard display

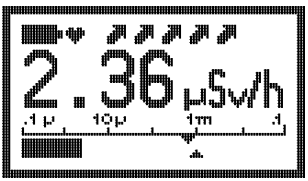
After 10 seconds or after 3rd click standard display with dose rate indication is activated again.

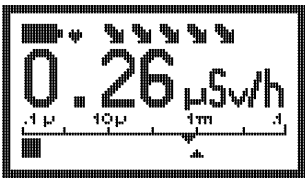
1st click

2nd click

3.2.1 Trend indication

A trend indication is given if the measured dose rate is increasing or decreasing.



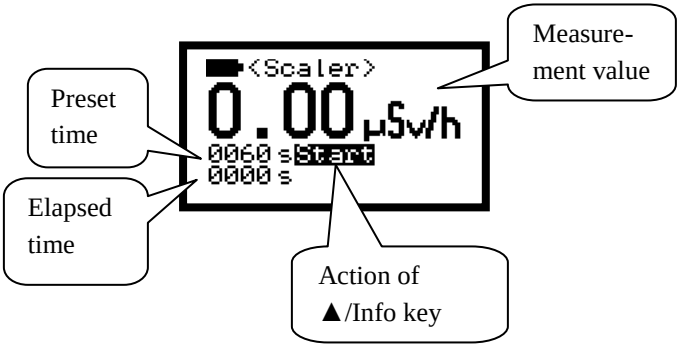


For accurate measurements, only readings without trend indication should be used.
A trend indication is not given at dose rates of less than 8 µSv/h.

3.3 Scaler

To enter the scaler mode select in the submenu “Operation mode” menu item „Scaler“.

The scaler mode starts with the parameter set in submenu „Scaler Parameter“.



To start the measurement, press the ▲/Info key. While the measurement is in progress “Stop” is blinking.

3.4 Alarm thresholds

There are two alarm thresholds, each allocated to dose and dose rate.

In order to avoid dose alarms while using the instrument exclusively as a rate meter, the dose alarms can be set to the maximum level.

Configuration of the alarms is possible via infrared interface (chapter 6.4) or via the menu.
As to the alarm activation, please also read chapter 4.2.

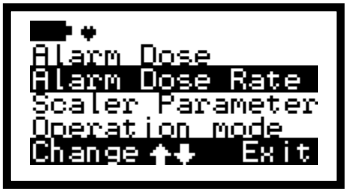
3.5 Setting alarm thresholds

The menu options **Alarm Dose Rate** and **Alarm Dose** allow the alarm thresholds to be modified. For this setting, the user has 255 seconds time. Changing the value is effected by pressing the left (Change) button if the corresponding “Alarm” is selected:

To increment the number, press the ▲/▼ keys. To go on to the next digit or to quit the edit mode, menu use ◄/► keys. Once the last number has been set, quit the editing mode by pressing the “Exit”-key. Then, the value set is saved and after 10 s the unit returns to the basic display.

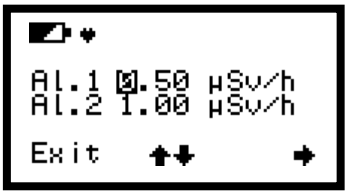
Example:
The dose rate alarm threshold must be changed.

Press “Menu” key, ▲/▼ keys until **Alarm Dose Rate** is selected

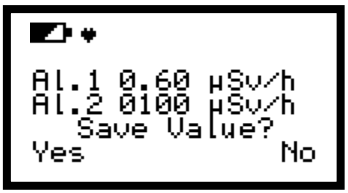


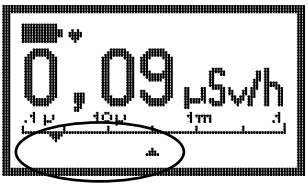
Then enter change menu by pressing “Change” key.

Edit value by pressing up / down keys
select digit by ◄/► keys
Pre unit “µ”, “m” may be chosen as well.



Leaving the last digit with ► key:
Confirm storage of edited value pressing “yes”





The actual alarm thresholds are seen at the marks on the intensity bar scale. The upper mark shows alarm threshold 1, the lower mark shows alarm threshold 2.

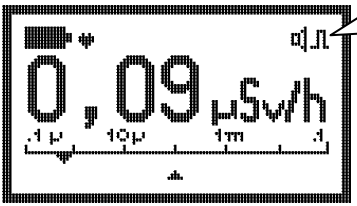
4. Operation

4.1 Audible single pulse indication and finder mode

With the single pulse indication being selected, each pulse of the detector generates a short audible signal emitted by the beeper.

An audible alarm signal caused by exceeding the alarm threshold is not given while single pulse indication of finder mode is active.

The single pulse indication must be enabled in the menu.
It is activated and deactivated by two times pressing the ► or top button:

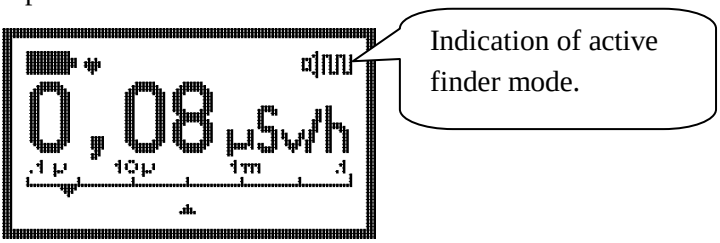


Indication of active single pulse.

Finder mode:

In Finder mode, the sound frequency depends on the pulse rate of the detector. The more detector pulses above the count rate that is present at the moment of the activation of the finder mode are captured by the detector, the higher the tone.

The finder mode must be enabled in the menu.
It is activated and deactivated by two times pressing the ► or top button:



4.2 Alarm indication

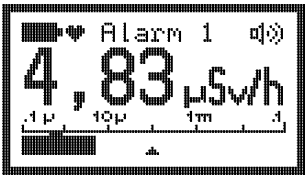
Each time the first alarm threshold is exceeded, the alarm devices beeper, LED and the vibrator become active, if they are enabled.

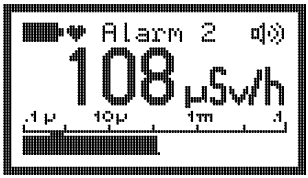
Alarm 1: LED slowly blinking, two frequency alarm tone

Alarm 2: LED quick blinking, continuous alarm tone

Dose Alarm: LED constantly on, continuous alarm tone, vibrator slow.

The alarm tone and vibrator are acknowledged by a short key depression, the LED remains pulsing. The alarm is extinguished, when the first alarm threshold is remained under.



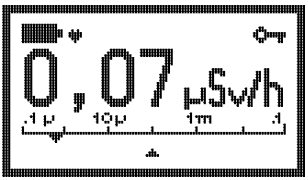


4.3 Additional information

In addition to the basic display, using the menu options, requests for further information can be started such as e.g. the setting of the enabling and disabling of the various alarm indicators.

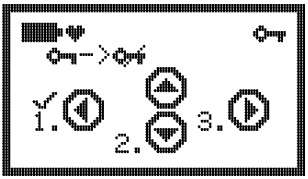
4.4 Key Lock

If “Key Lock” is enabled, pressing the “▼/On” key for at least 5 seconds locks the key pad:



It is recommended to lock the keys when wearing the unit in the holster. Thus reduced battery time because of additional power consumption by illumination of the LCD or other unintended operations is avoided.

Unlocking is performed according to the LCD instructions upon pressing any key:



Press left key first, then lower key and then right key.

4.5 Process description for detection of radiation sources

Direction of maximum response

To detect hidden radiation sources, the dose rate alarm threshold must be set to the lowest value that does not produce fail alarms. This is typical a value of 0.3 µSv/h to 0.5 µSv/h.

Due to its almost 100 times higher efficiency, the RadEye PRD is more suited for this task, than the RadEye GF/GF10.
Subsequently, the operator passes the object while keeping thereby the distance between the monitor and the object to be checked as small as possible.
With an alarm occurring, the operator should move the instrument while observing the display in order to localize the position of the source. Please note that the alarm can occur up to a few seconds after passing the nearest distance to the source.
If the alarm disappears after a few seconds, this alarm is to be considered as a statistically released false alarm.
In case a radiation source has been detected, the radiation intensity is indicated. (See chapter 3.2).

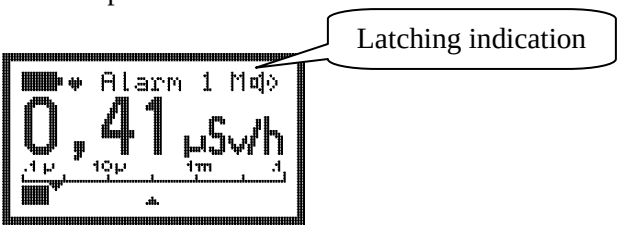
4.6 Earphone

For alarming in noisy environments or for undercover investigations an earphone is available. See ordering information page 2.1.

The earphone is connected at the bottom of the instrument after opening the rubber protection seal.

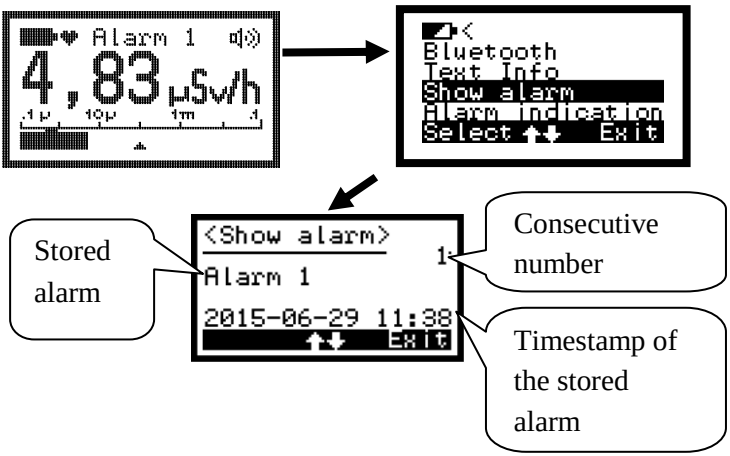
4.7 Alarm latching

Via PC-program it is possible to configure a alarm latching. Alarm latching means the alarm is stored for the configured time from 0 s (= off) to 9999 s.
A latched alarm is indicated by an “M” near by the alarm indicator. When the alarm is acknowledged the RadEye returns to normal operations.



4.8 Show alarm

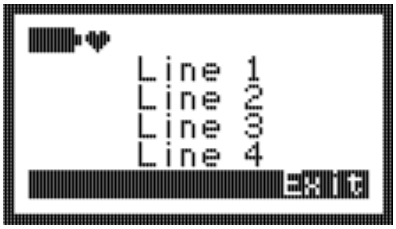
By selecting the menu point “show alarm” the alarms stored in the alarm log are displayed together with the time of alarm and the actual time.



By pressing the up and down arrow keys you can scroll through the alarm log. Pressing the "►" button the display returns to the menu.

4.9 Text Info

Via PC program "RadEye.exe" it is possible to place text information in the RadEye. This text information can be displayed with the menu function "Text Info".

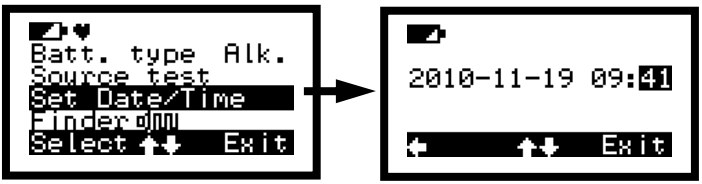


4.10 Display rotation

If enabled, a short press on the lower centre key (arrow down) flips the display. If the lower centre key is pressed again or if the menu button is pressed, the screen flips into the normal orientation.

4.11 Set Date and Time

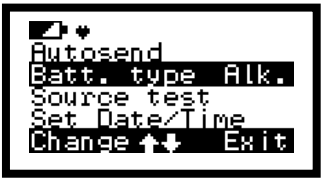
Setting of date and time takes place via menu function Setting → Set Date/Time.



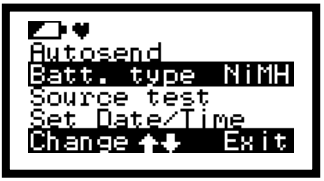
The format is YYYY-MM-DD hh:mm. The fields are selected with the keys ◄/►. With the keys ▲/▼the Year, month, day, hour or minute can be changed. After setting the date and time the real time clock is set and is used for alarm logbook and history.

4.12 Battery type

Selection of battery type: Rechargeable or non-rechargeable batteries. It is needed for correct low battery warning. Type “Alk.” has a threshold of 2.1V. Type “NiMH” has a threshold of 2.35V. See also chapter 5.4.



Battery type “Battery”



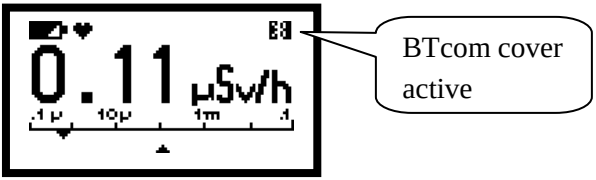
Battery type “Accumulator”

4.13 BTcom cover

For detailed installation and operation procedure refer to BTcom cover manual DB-076 E which is delivered together with the Bluetooth battery lid.
The BTcom cover applies to the RadEye switched off.

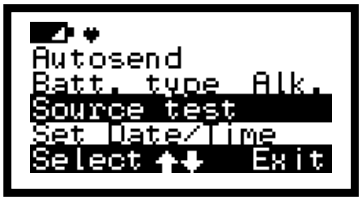
With menu item “BTcom”, the user may switch on / off the BTcom cover. “✓” means BTcom cover is active.
With “Master”, the BTcom cover connects automatically to another BTcom cover. In this case, the RadEye cannot be connected to the PC. For more information please read the manual DB-093 E.
By selecting “Remote/PC”, the BTcom cover is able to connect to a PC.

If the BTcom cover is active but not connected to any PC, a Bluetooth symbol is flashing. If the BT-communication is established, the symbol is always on.



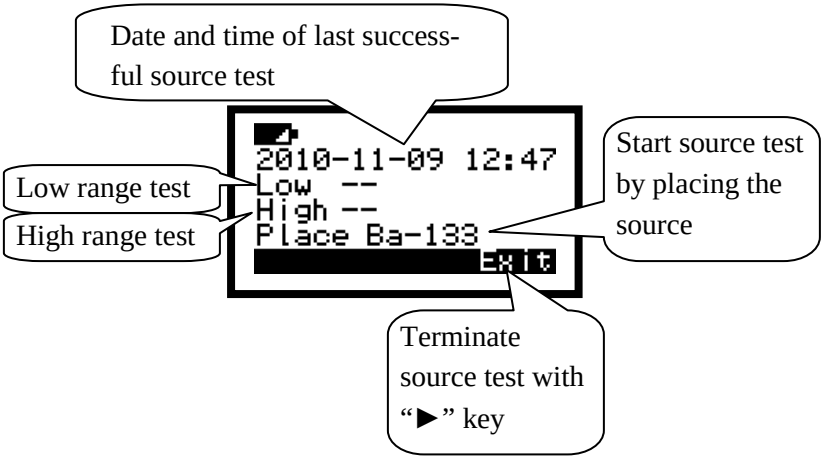
4.14 Source test

Source test is started with menu item “Source test” in submenu “Settings”.



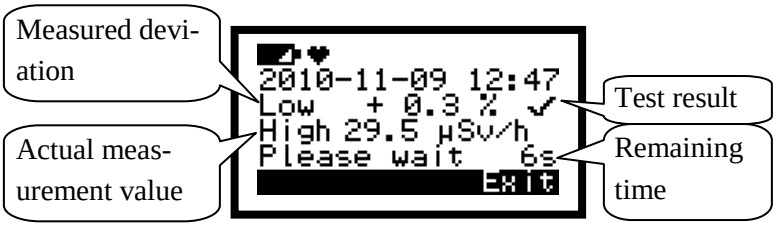
Source test starts with the parameters previously set with radeye.exe. Furthermore it is necessary to set the actual date and time.

Start the source test without source. The RadEye check the background value. If the background is lower than 0.15 µSv/h the user is asked to place the source.

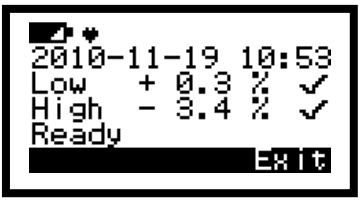


After placing the source, source test is started automatically.

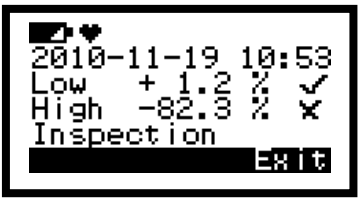
During measurement the display shows the actual measurement value. After measurement the deviation is calculated and displayed. The test is successful when the deviation is lower between -20% and +20%. During source test the alarm LED is active.



At the end of source test, is displayed. If every test is successful the actual timestamp is stored and displayed together with the message “Ready”. If source test fails, the message “Inspection” is displayed.



Source test is successful



Source test fails. RadEye should be sent to inspection

4.15 Change menu language

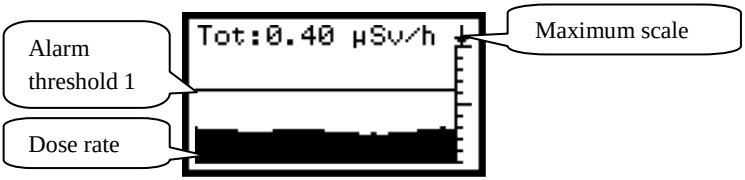
Via menu item “Language” in submenu “Settings” the user may change the language of the RadEye menu.

4.16 Adjust display contrast

Here, the user can adjust the display contrast. This function is called in sub menu “Settings” “Contrast”.

4.17 Graphic display

If enabled, one or more short presses on the “On/▼” key display a graphical view of the dose rate. This display is only available in ratemeter mode.



5. Functional test

The radiation meter performs continuous self-check routines. A complete failure of the detector will be detected in around 2 minutes and will be indicated on the LCD and be announced by the beeper. The same applies to the battery voltage.

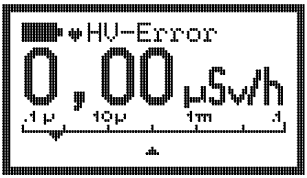
5.1 Functional test

To carry out a simple test, shortly press any key. A short audible pulse has to be released and the LC display is illuminated for some seconds.

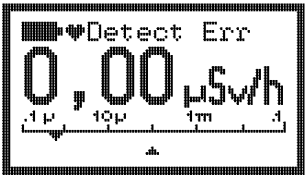
The heart symbol next to the battery indicator must be “beating”. This indicates that the cyclic tasks as calculating measurement values and checking for alarm thresholds are active.

5.2 Failure indication

In case of a failure, the beeper generates a sharp single pulse every 32 s.
The corresponding failure message is displayed in the LCD:



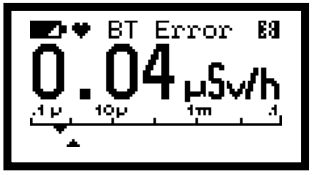
Error high voltage generation.



No detector pulse within the last 30 minutes.

EEPROM with calibration data shows EEPROM Read or EEPROM Write error.

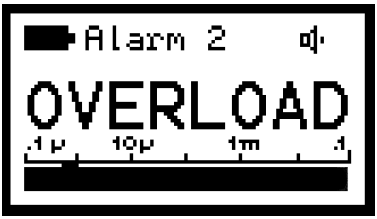
A Watchdog Error indicates that the microcontroller has problems to work on its tasks in a given timeframe. Reasons are strong electromagnetic pulses, firmware errors or hardware issues.



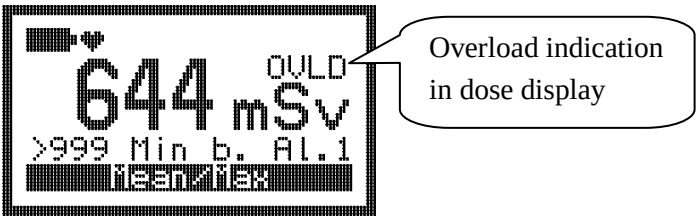
The BTcom cover failed to initialize the Bluetooth module.

5.3 Overload indication

For dose rates of more than 3 Sv/h (300 R/h, 300 rem/h, 2.6 Gy/h) an overload indication is given:

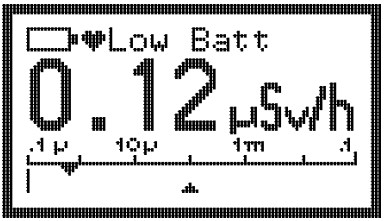


The dose value is marked with an overload indication, if a dose rate overload occurred since the last dose reset.



5.4 Low Battery

If the battery voltage is below the configured threshold (see chapter 4.12) the following warning appears:



The beeper generates a single pulse every 32s. This acoustic warning can be suppressed by pressing the alarm acknowledge key. After 8h this warning comes up again. The battery needs to be changed. However, the RadEye can still be operated for several hours.

If the battery voltage falls below 2V, the battery symbol starts flashing. An acoustic warning is generated every 8s and can't be acknowledged. The battery needs to be changed as soon as possible.

5.5 Calibration expiration date

If the expiration date is enabled and date is expired, the following warning message is shown at start up of the RadEye:

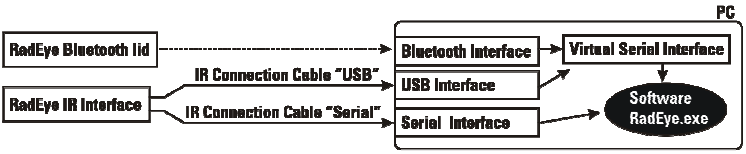
If the expiration date is enabled the RTC is not set (e.g. after change of batteries) the following warning message is shown at start up.

After acknowledge the RadEye works as usual.
The expiration date can be changed with the tools "CalRadEye" or "RadEyeSetCalibDate".

6. PC configuration

6.1 Ways to connect to a PC

A RadEye unit can be connected to a PC either by either serial interface, USB interface or by Bluetooth ™ [1].



6.1.1 Wireless connection via Bluetooth

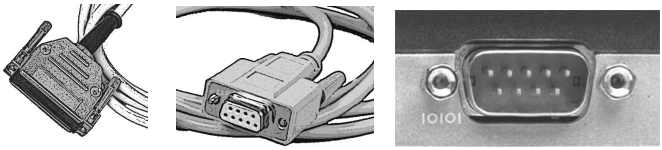
Details about the Bluetooth communication are provided through the manual DB-076 E delivered with the optional Bluetooth battery cover. Please note that the connected PC must be equipped with a Bluetooth interface as well.

[1] Bluetooth is a trademark of Bluetooth SIG, Inc., Bellevue, Washington, U.S.A.

6.1.2 Cable connection

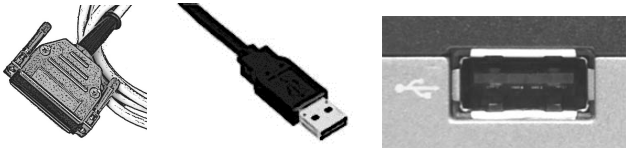
It is recommended to use the optional RadEye desktop holder to align the RadEye's IR window with the IR window of a connection cable.

The optional serial adapter cable is used to connect to a RS232 port of a PC.



This serial port is selected directly in the RadEye.EXE software (see also chapter 6.3.4).

Alternatively, the optional USB connection cable is used to connect to an USB port.

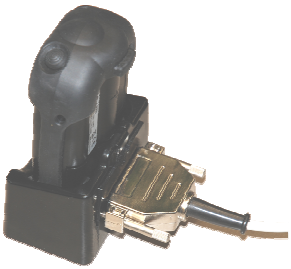


Using the USB connection requires the installation of driver software that will generate a virtual serial port that can be se-

lected in the RadEye.EXE software. The driver is delivered on the RadEye.EXE software installation CD ROM.

Installation of a connection cable

Using the hardware provided and without exerting too much force, attach the connections of the adapter cable to the PC and to the RadEye desktop holder.



6.2 Installation of the optional RadEye.EXE software

Open the file “Setup.EXE” on the optional RadEye.EXE Software installation CD Rom and follow the installation guideline. The installation generates a RadEye.EXE Icon on the desktop.

6.3 Starting RadEye.exe

Double click on the RadEye.exe symbol at the desktop Once the RadEye.EXE program has been started, device parameters are read out and displayed on the screen.

6.3.1 RadEye Device Parameters

The Frame "RadEye GF(-10)" contains the unit's serial number and version number of the software. Click on the Read button, the Parameters of RadEye will be read out from device and shown in the Frame.

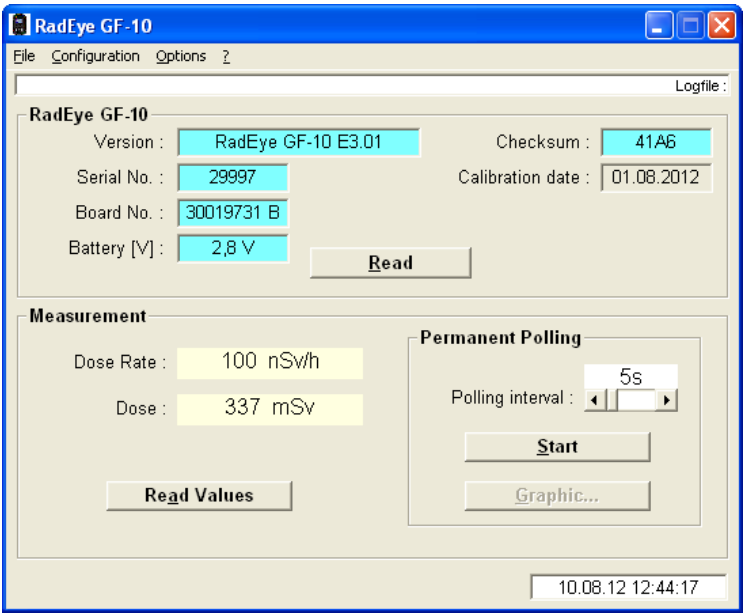


Figure 6-1: Main Window

6.3.2 Measurements

After pressing the button Read Values the current Count rate, dose rate and dose are displayed in this frame.

With button Start the measured value is read from the unit at a certain polling interval. Use the scroll bar or the buttons beneath the "polling interval" field to define the polling interval. You can select a value between 1 and 3600 seconds.
The dose rate can be displayed numerically and graphically. Click on the Graphics…. A diagram is displayed that gives a representation of the dose rate values versus the time.
The current measured value is added at the right-hand side, and the diagram is shifted to the left. Up to 100 measured values can be represented. The graduation of the ordinate is automatically adjusted to the measured values supplied by the unit. With menu item “Configuration” the user may adjust the y-axis of the graph.

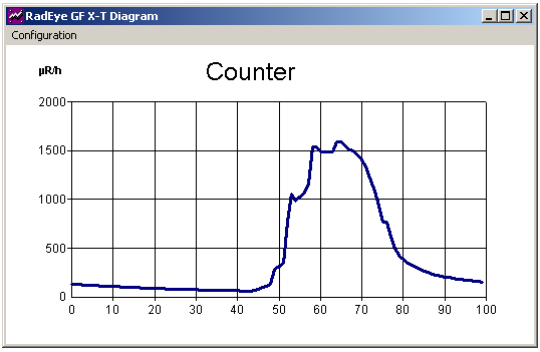


Figure 6-2: Measurement graphics

6.3.3 Creating a Measurement File

The actual measured values Dose and Dose rate that are shown in the "Measurement" display field can be stored in a measurement file.

To do this, open the File menu, click on **Open Logfile...**, and enter path and name. The file is stored with the file name extension ".log".

If another file of the same name exists, the system asks whether that file shall be overwritten or the new measured data shall be appended to the existing data.

Once you have pressed OK to confirm the entries, the measurement log file is created and the polling measured data is stored in the scan interval you have defined. An open measurement file is indicated by the name and the path of the measurement log file that appears in the top right-hand corner of the window.

To terminate data storage, open the File menu and select the **Close Logfile** menu item. No further data is recorded.

Open the **File / View Logfile...** menu to view the measurement log file.

For training and demonstration a prior recorded log file can be replayed by opening **Replay logfile**.
With the buttons Start and Stop together with the polling interval the replay can be controlled.

Close Replay switches back to accessing measurement values via infrared interface.

The measurement log file is an ANSI text file with columns that are separated by <TAB>. This enables this file to be read easily into other programs (such as Excel) where the data can be processed.

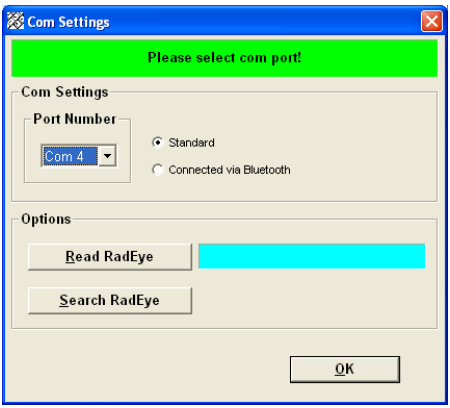
The first line of the measurement log file contains the unit name, the file name, and the path. Serial number and Device identification are specified on the second line.

Date and time of the measurement are specified in the columns under the field names "mm.dd.yy" and "hh:mm:ss". The time setting corresponds to the PC system time.

The "Counter" column contains the numerical value of the counter measurement. The "Unit" column informs about the unit. The "Dose Rate" column contains the numerical value of the dose rate measurement. The "Unit" column informs about the unit (Sv/h rem/h or R/h).

6.3.4 Select serial interface

Via **Configuration / Com settings**... menu another window is opened from which you may select the corresponding interface.



If the RadEye is connected via BTcom cover select “Connected via Bluetooth”. “Read RadEye2 is used to check the connection to the device. “Search RadEye” scans all Com-Ports to detect a RadEye. This action may need some time, depending on the number of available Com-ports.

6.4 Configuration

The configuration of the RadEye can be protected with a password.

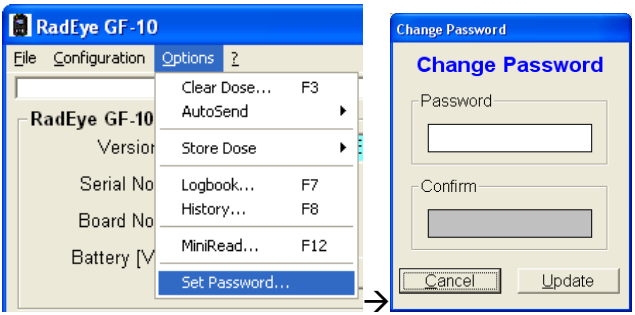


Figure 6-3: Password Setting

No password is set during the first installation of the software. A reminder window is activated, if the configuration window is opened.

Figure 6-4: Password reminder

On the **Configuration** / **RadEye …** menu, the following parameters can be modified:

- Unit
- Time interval of the history
- Temperature display

- Acoustic indication
- Alarm level for all basic displays
- Signaling types
- Additional surveillances
- Active menu functions
- Settings for source test

6.4.1 General configuration

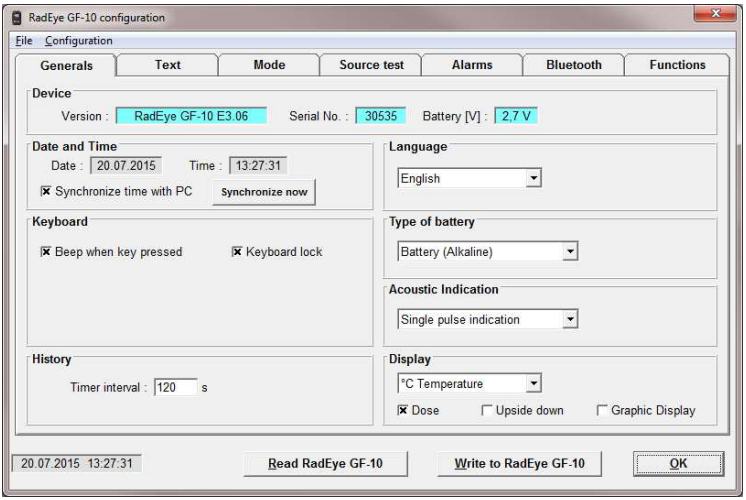


Figure 6-5: General configuration

On the “Generals” tab, the user may set the time interval for the history memory (1...43200s), the kind of the acoustic rate indication (single pulse, finder – see chapter 4.1), temperature display, type of battery and keyboard functions.

6.4.2 Text

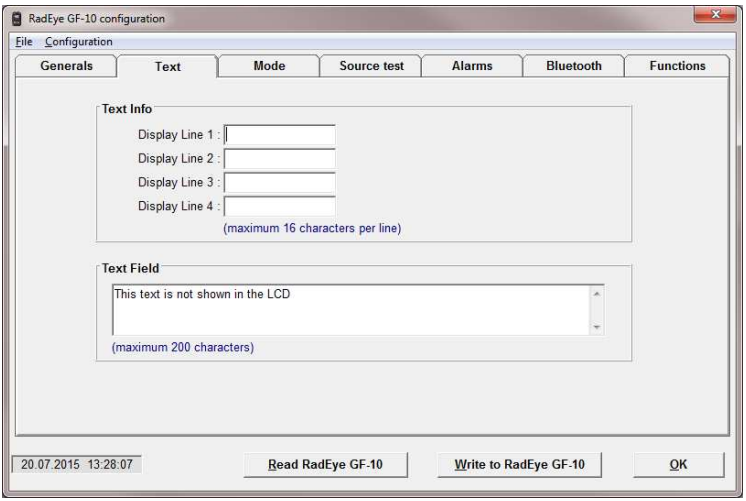


Figure 6-6: Text

On the tab “Text” it is possible to store a text in the RadEye. In the field “Text Info” the user can define 4 lines text, which can be displayed on the LCD by the RadEye (see 4.10).
In the “Text Field” it is possible store a text with up to 200 characters in the RadEye. This text can not be displayed by the RadEye.

6.4.3 Mode settings

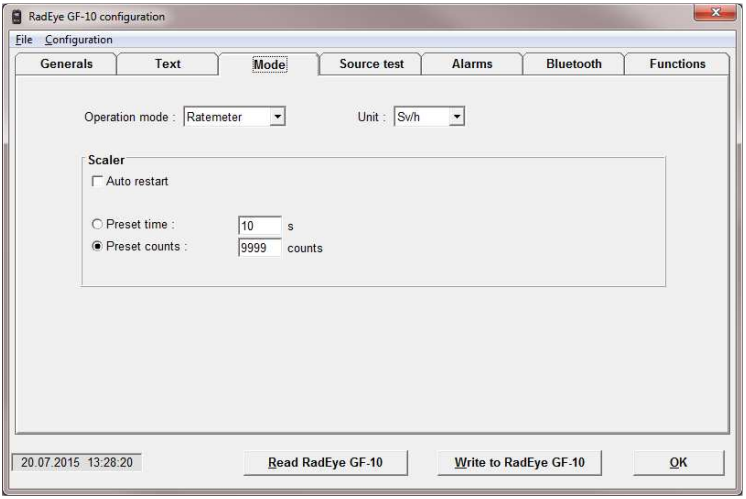


Figure 6-7: Mode settings

On the “Mode” tab, the user may set the operation mode, the physical unit and parameters for scaler mode.

6.4.4 Source test

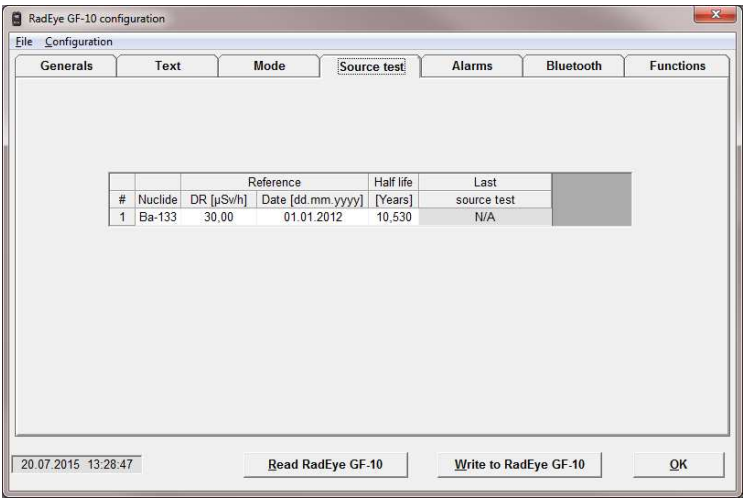


Figure 6-8: Source test parameter

This tab is used to provide the function “source test” with the right data.

Nuclide: This name is prompted in function “source test”

Reference dose rate: dose rate of this nuclide at reference date

Reference Date: reference date for this source

Half life: Half life time of this nuclide.

Last source test: date and time of the last successful source test

6.4.5 Alarm setting

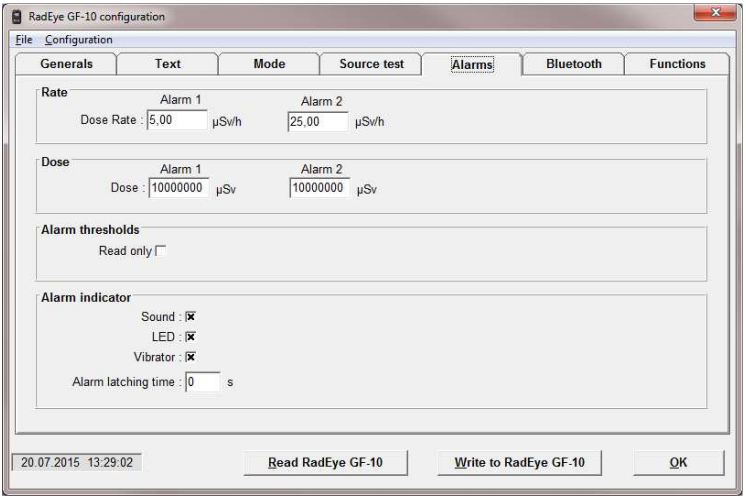


Figure 6-9: Alarm setting

The tab “Alarm” offers the user the possibility of making the alarm settings for dose rate and dose.

With “alarm thresholds” “read only” the thresholds cannot be modified by RadEye.

Alarm indicator “Beeper”, “LED” and “Vibrator” has the same consequence as the menu item “Alarm indication”.

6.4.6 Bluetooth

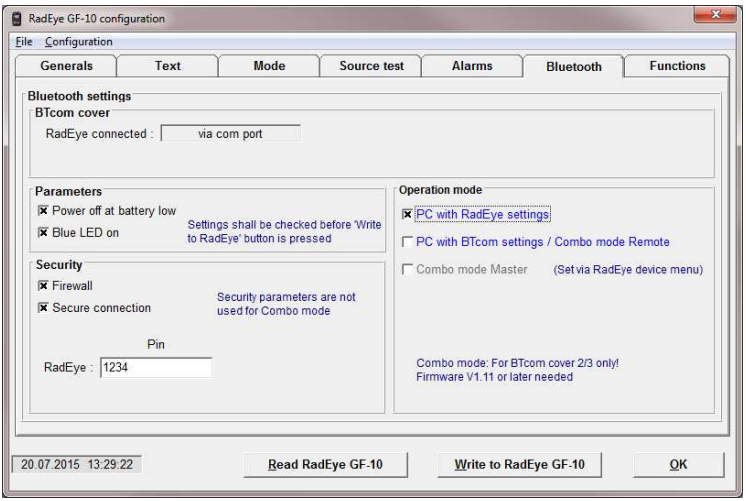


Figure 6-10: Bluetooth

Here the user may configure the BTcom battery cover. The frame “Device” informs about firmware version, serial number and the physical address of the BTcom cover (not the RadEye).
The Parameter “Blue LED on” relates to the blue LED at the backside of the battery cover that shows the connection status. Setting “Power off at battery low” the BTcom cover powers down automatically if battery low status is detected to increase battery life of the RadEye. “Secure connection” uses the PIN code that can be edited in the right field.
For more information please read the manual which is delivered together with the BTcom cover.

6.4.7 Menu item

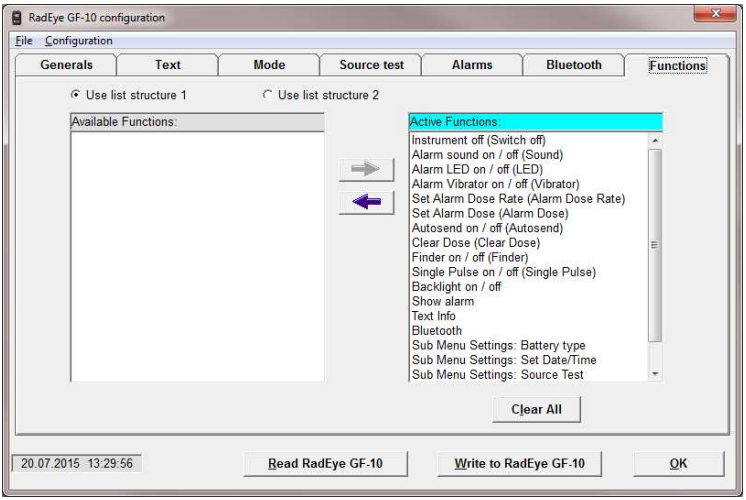


Figure 6-11: Menu selection

On the tab “Functions”, the functions available to the user can be selected to speed up access to frequently needed functions. For example, if LED alarm is always active and rate level indication is never used, these functions can be hidden for the user.

Once the setting of the parameters is finished, these parameters have to be sent to the RadEye by clicking on the Write to RadEye ... button.

Parameters including the selected menu configuration can be saved with **File / Save as…** as parameter file (*.cfg). A saved configuration can be reloaded using the menu **File / Open…** and sent to RadEye.

6.5 History

Via the Options / **History** menu, the values stored in the RadEye data memory can be read out, represented in an x/t diagram and saved to the hard disk of the computer. These data subsequently can be read in and further processed in a spreadsheet program.

Time interval of History storing can be set from 1s to 43200 s (12 hours). 1600 measurement values can be stored.

The following figure depicts for example the curve of the dose rate over the last two days at a time resolution of 120 s. Clearly various levels resulting from different locations and points with high peaks can be recognized.

The blue line shows the mean values, the red line the maximum value within the time interval.

If batteries are removed, the time reference is lost. In the diagram, time information is only provided for history values with valid timing entries.

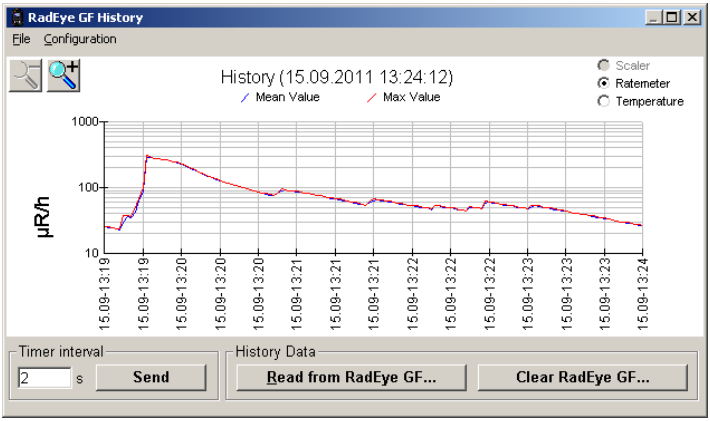


Figure 6-12: History read out

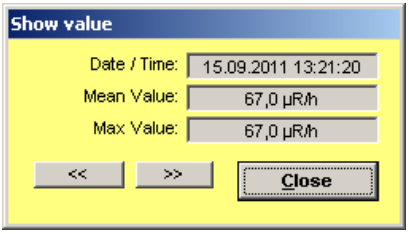


Figure 6-13: Single history value indication

Clicking at the graph, each individual, stored measured value can be displayed.

6.6 Logbook

Changes in configuration, occurring alarms and errors are logged in a buffer.
These saved events can be read out via **Options / Logbook…** .
The logbook is shown as a table, and can be saved to PC hard disc or printed.
The logbook has a maximum of 250 data sets. Several events at the same time are saved as one record. At the display every event is shown in one line for better overview. The date and time of the PC is used for time relation.

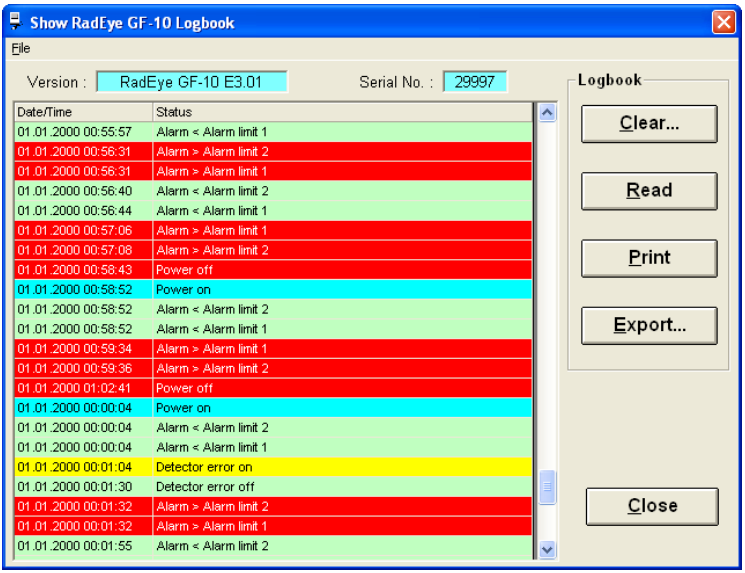


Figure 6-14: Logbook

7. Trouble Shooting

7.1 RadEye doesn't power on

7.1.1 Press "On" for at least one second

Keep the button "▼" pressed until the LED and the sound is active. If the button is pressed only shortly, then the start up routine is not activated. The LED may flash then only very shortly.

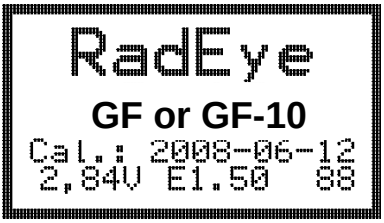
7.1.2 Check battery

If the RadEye does not respond to a long press (> 1s) of the "▼" button, then please use the following step by step procedure:

A) Remove the current batteries
B) Clean the battery contacts
C) Check the required orientation of the batteries according to the printed "+" symbols in the battery compartment.
D) Insert two -"AAA" with sufficient capacity: Rechargeable AAA batteries should be completely loaded, non rechargeable batteries should supply together at least 2.3 Volt under load.
E) Press the "▼" button for more than one second (see also 7.1.1).

7.2 Reading data from the start up screen

The start up screen shows important data like the last calibration, the current voltage and the firmware version.



This screen stays active as long as the "▼" button is kept pressed during the power on of the RadEye device.

7.3 The RadEye doesn't show the menu items as described in the manual

The items available in the RadEye menu can be disabled or enabled via the RadEye.EXE software. The factory setting has all menu functions enabled. Please refer to chapter 6.4, menu settings. Next, please check the firmware version of your RadEye (see chapter 2.4) and compare your version number with the revision table of this manual at the beginning of the document. The revision table shows the introduction of new functions together with the according firmware version.

7.4 The RadEye shows an error message in the display's top line

Please refer also to chapter 5.2. If one of the following failures is indicated, then the RadEye must be repaired by the Thermo Scientific bench repair team:

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HV-Error
Detect Err
EEPROM Err
Watchdog*
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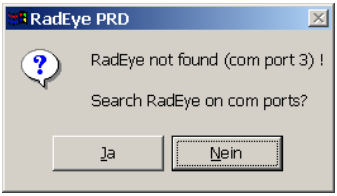
Please contact our Customer Service for more details.

*) Please see the failure description in the above referenced chapter. If the failure was related to a strong electromagnetic pulse scenario and the failure went away afterwards, then a repair may not be necessary. A diligent observation of the RadEye proper operation after the failure is strongly recommended.

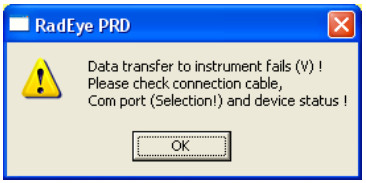
7.5 The RadEye is not found in the software

If the connection between the RadEye and the computer cannot be established with a selected serial port (COM port), then the program shows the bellow message first:



The RadEye.EXE software offers to search for a connection to the RadEye unit on other available serial ports.

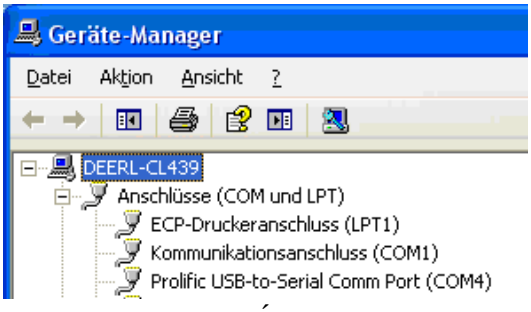
If there is a faulty connection between the unit and the computer, the program shows the error message “Data transfer to instrument fails”.



In this case, you must check whether:

- The RadEye has been positioned correctly in the desktop holder (with rubber boot) and the RadEye is turned on.
- The infrared transmission windows are clean.
- The correct serial interface has been selected.

It is recommended to use the Windows system tools to determine the occupation of the currently active serial ports. Virtual serial ports are labeled accordingly for identification.



Device Manager showing the virtual driver for USB „Prolific“ at COM 4

Open next the serial interface step window in the RadEye.EXE software: **Configuration / Com settings...** menu. The used serial port has to be selected next.

7.6 RadEye lost date and time settings

The date and time information is lost, each time the batteries are removed or below the required voltage for operation. The simplest way to program the date and time is to use the “synchronize” function of the optional RadEye.EXE software. Please refer to chapter 6.4.1. Else the current date and time can be set also through the RadEye’s menu “Settings” / “Set Date / Time”.

7.7 RadEye's battery status is lower than expected

Please check if the correct battery type is selected under "settings" / "Batt. type" and change the type in case. Rechargeable batteries supply a voltage of 1.2V each, while Alkaline batteries provide 1.5V.

Rechargeable batteries offer also a more steep drop from acceptable battery voltage to "battery low" than Alkaline types.

7.8 History data shows the wrong time and date

See chapter 7-5.

8. Maintenance

8.1 Recommended maintenance

The RadEye GF(-10) is basically maintenance free.

8.1.1 Source test

It is recommended to perform a source test routine with the optional Ba-133 test adapter on a regular basis. The source test routine is described in chapter 4.14.

Level of usage	Period between Source tests
Intensive, changing climate	3 month
Normal, daily usage	6 month
Low	12 month

8.1.2 Cleaning the instrument

The rubber boot should be removed and cleaned separately. The RadEye unit shall be cleaned with a moist tissue (only water as cleaner). The rubber boot shall be washed in water. Do not use aggressive chemicals like organic solvents.

8.1.3 Remove batteries for storage

It is highly recommended to remove both AAA batteries from the battery compartment, if the RadEye unit is stored for a longer period (> 1 week) to avoid damage through battery leakage.

9. Spare Parts

9.1 Available spare parts

Item	Part Number
Front foil RadEye GF-10 red	42506703066
Front foil RadEye GF yellow	42506703065
Battery cover complete	425067033
Rubber shock protection (rubber boot)	42506703018
Battery IEC-LR03 Micro 1,5V ENERGIZER E92 (1 pack = 2 batteries)	SM164600012

9.2 Recommended spare parts

Battery IEC-LR03 Micro 1,5V ENERGIZER E92 (1 pack = 2 batteries)	SM164600012

10. Optional Accessories

10.1 RadEye Holster (425067046)

The clip at the backside of the holster allows convenient carrying of the RadEye at the belt.

RadEye not included

10.2 Earphone for RadEye series (425067037)

The usage of the earphone is recommended, if the RadEye is switched into FINDER mode and disturbance through noisy environment shall be compensated.

The earphone is plugged into the RadEye's socket at bottom of the unit. The cable length is 1.2m.

10.3 Ba-133-Adapter for RadEye (425067072)

The shape of the adapter insures that the Ba-133 is placed close to the reference point of the RadEye unit.

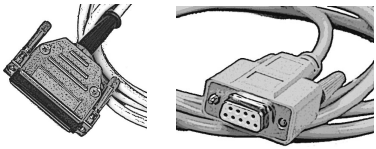
Please see chapter 4.14 and chapter 6.4.4 about the usage of the test adapter.

10.4 Desktop holder (425067060)

Alignment between the RadEye's IR data interface window and the IR interface of a PC connection cable is insured with the usage of the desktop holder. Please see chapter 6.1.2 for details.

10.5 IR connection cable serial (4254029)

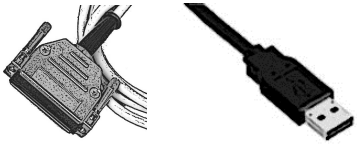
The IR plug of the connection cable can be fixed easily by screws at the desktop holder. The PC connection plug is a 9 pin sub D type for serial COM ports.



Please see chapter 6.1.2 for details. Cable length = 1.2 m

10.6 IR connection cable USB (4254026)

The IR plug of the connection cable can be fixed easily by screws at the desktop holder. The PC connection plug is a USB port.



Please see chapter 6.1.2 for details. Cable length = 1.2 m

10.7 Bluetooth battery cover (425067087)

The standard battery lid is replaced with the Bluetooth battery cover. Please see chapter 6.1.1 for details.

10.8 RadEye car- and wall holder with accumulator charging circuit

Safety instructions

1. Only use NiMH – accumulators, no primary batteries (Alkaline –manganese, zinc – carbon ...)
2. Only use two accumulators of the same type (manufacturer, rated capacity ...)
3. Only charge accumulators having the same discharging state
4. Never use defective accumulators (penetrating/emerging electrolyte, damaged housing...)

RadEye car holder : 42506/7065

The RadEye car holder 42506/7065 serves as supporting device and power supply unit for the operation of a RadEye instrument in a vehicle. For convenient mounting to the dashboard one of the mechanical adaptors 42506/7061 ... 64 is required.

Together with a power supply unit 42506/7066, this support is also suitable for a cost attractive stationary ambient monitoring.
Via the alarm contact, power consuming external alarm indicator can be operated.

The RadEye car- and wall holder combines several functions.

(1) Mechanical holding device for instruments of the RadEye-family
(2) Accumulator charger unit with temperature controlled charging of NiMH accumulators in the device
(3) Infrared interface for direct connection to the serial interface of computers
(4) Alarm contact for connecting alarm indicators up to a power of 24W (at 24V, see RadEye area monitor 42506/80)

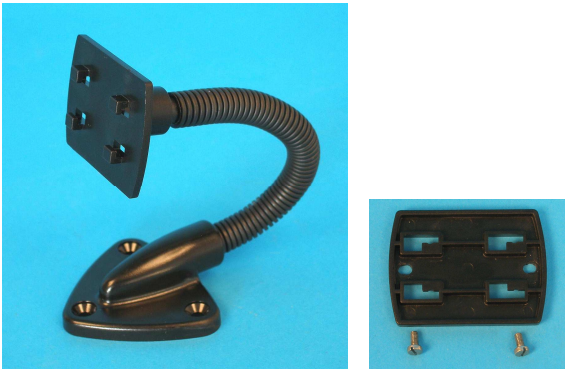
Before plugging the RadEye into the Car holder the rubber protection plug at the phone jack has to be opened:

Carefully remove the protection sleeve and open the phone jack

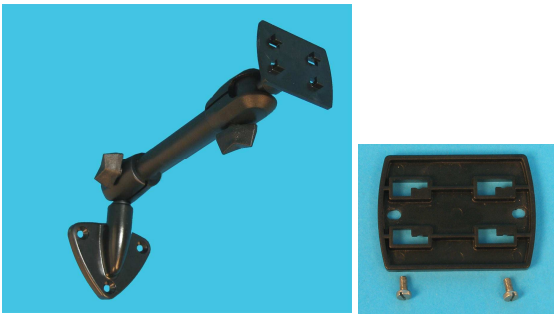
Remount the protection sleeve (see chapter 2.3). A small screw driver for the protection plug might be helpful. The phone jack must left be open, and the protection plug must be perpendicular to the protection sleeve.

Then insert the RadEye into the car holder. Make sure that the protection plug is not mechanically interfering with the charging pin of the car holder.

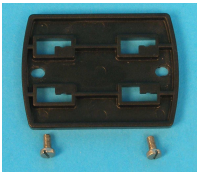
10.8.1 Accessories for dash board mounting of car holder 42506/7065 (including charging function) holder 42506/7060 (mechanical holder only)



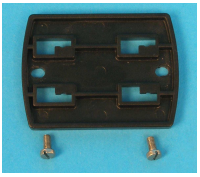
Goose neck adaptor kit 42506/7061



Pivot arm adaptor kit 42506/7062

Knuckle joint adaptor kit 42506/7063

Goose neck adaptor kit with suction cup 42506/7064

10.8.2 Accessories for data transmission using the car adaptor

RS232 connecting cable 2m:
SM1685 35223

USB 1.1 to RS232 adapter cable:
SM1685 35251

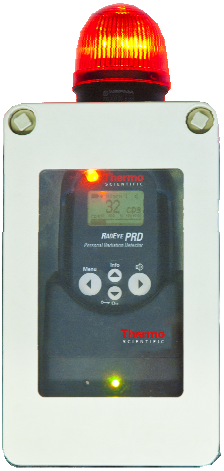
USB 2.0 to RS232 adapter cable:
SM1685 35255

10.8.3 Accessories for AC – operation of the car adaptor

Power supply with cigarette lighter socket 42506/7066 for mains operation of the car holder 42506/7065

10.9 RadEye Area Monitor with alarm contacts (4250680)

A RadEye GF can be used as installed radiation monitor if used as RadEye Area Monitor. The RadEye is permanently powered and the alarm status is visible as light and with further accessories also as sound alarm (425068010). More information is provided in the manual DB-062 E.



10.10 RadEye inductive charger

The RadEye holder serves as supporting device and, in combination with the special battery lid 42506/7034, power supply unit for the operation of a RadEye instrument in a vehicle. For convenient mounting to the dashboard one of the mechanical adaptors 42506/7061 … 64 is required.

Note: The charging function of this device requires the battery latch 42506/7034. Without the above mentioned part no charging will be achieved.

Safety instructions

1. Only use NiMH – accumulators, no primary batteries (Alkaline – manganese, zinc – carbon ...).
2. Only use two accumulators of the same type (manufacturer, rated capacity ...).
3. Only charge accumulators having the same discharging state.
4. Never use defective accumulators (penetrating/emerging electrolyte, damaged housing...).
5. The bottom of the housing (aluminum heat sink) gets warm (50°C, 120°F max.).
6. Not for use in open convertibles.
7. Do not put cards with magnet stripes (f.e. credit cards, parking cards, phone cards, etc.) near the mounted warning symbol. The magnetic field could erase the data from your card.
8. Clearance of at least 50cm (20”) between charger and car radio is recommended.

10.10.1 LED indicators

State	**LED (green)**
Voltage supply on	On
Voltage supply off	Off

11. Technical data

11.1 RadEye GF /GF10

Radiation type:	Gamma and X-ray radiation
Measured quantity:	Ambient equivalent dose rate: RadEye GF: $\dot{H}$x [R/h] and dose: Hx[R] RadEye GF-10: $\dot{H}$*(10) [Sv/h] and dose: H*(10)[Sv] Please Note: If the native unit (see above) is changed by menu, the displayed measurement values are converted. This is **not** a conversion with energy correction!
Measuring range:	
Dose Rate:	3 Sv/h, 300 R/h, 300 rem/h or 2.6 Gy/h
Dose:	10 Sv
Overload display:	more than 3 Sv/h or 300 R/h overload indication up to 10 Sv/h
Linearity error:	max. ± 10 % in the measuring range

Sensitivity:	RadEye GF:	~1.3 cps/mR/h
	RadEye GF-10:	~0.13 cps/µSv/h
	photon radiation 660 keV (Cs-137)	
Alarm threshold:	Two alarm thresholds for dose and dose rate each. Default setting: see chapter 2.4	
Audible alarm intensity:	at least85 dB at a distance of 30 cm	
Time to alarm:	typ.: 215 s for background to 3 µSv/h typ.: 40 s for background to 10 µSv/h typ.: 15 s for background to 50 µSv/h	
Energy range:	50 keV – 3 MeV error less than ±30% for dose and dose rate measurement	
Energy dependence:	see the following diagrams	
Direction of max. response:	perpendicular to the device's longitudinal axis, on the reference mark on the back side of the unit	
Reference point:	on the axis of the direction of max. response, 14 mm behind reference mark.	
Angular dependence:	see the following diagrams	

Working temperature: -20°C ... + 50°C

Relative humidity:	10 ... 93 % at 35°C non condensing
Operating voltage:	1.8 ... 3.3 V, Battery low voltage starting from 2.1 V
Degree of protection:	IP 65 according to EN 60 529
EMC:	Disturbance emission : EN 61000-6-3 Immunity : EN 61000-6-2
Mechanical shock:	Drop onto a concrete surface 0,5m without protection sleeve 1,5m with protection sleeve
Size:	96 mm x 61 mm x 31 mm without rubber protection
Weight:	around 160 g including two Alkali Manganese AAA cells LR 3 around 190g including AAA cells and protection sleeve
Internal memory:	The last 1600 measured values are saved and can be read out via PC program. Max- and mean value of dose rate. The time interval is factory preset to 120s by default. Logbook with 250 entries for changes of configuration, occurring alarms and errors.

Averaging filters:	Dose Rate filter type: **A**dvanced **D**igital **F**ilter (ADF) Digital RC-Filter with time constant 1s.....100s, depending on dose rate and dose rate changing.
Power consumption:	≈ 1 mA: normal operation without alarm signals and LCD illumination ≈ 30 mA with illuminated LC display ≈ 18 mA LED alarm ≈ 40 mA acoustic alarm ≈ 30 mA vibrator alarm
Battery service life:	≈ 900h using two alkaline AAA cells depending on the operating mode ≈ 600h using 800mAh NiMH accu

11.2 RadEye inductive charger

Operating voltage	11,5…15V_{DC}
Current consumption	150…200mA With supply from 14 V, charging current 50 mA
Accumulator charging current	40…52 mA
Charge time	20…24h Accumulator
RadEye on,	800mAh, discharged
Backlight switched off *)	
Charge time	18…20h Accumulator
RadEye switched off	800mAh, discharged
Ambient temperature	-20…+50°C Operation –40…+70°C Storage 0…40°C Accumulator charge
Ambient pressure	300…2000 hPa

*) During operation with backlit LCD, the battery charge is sustained only.

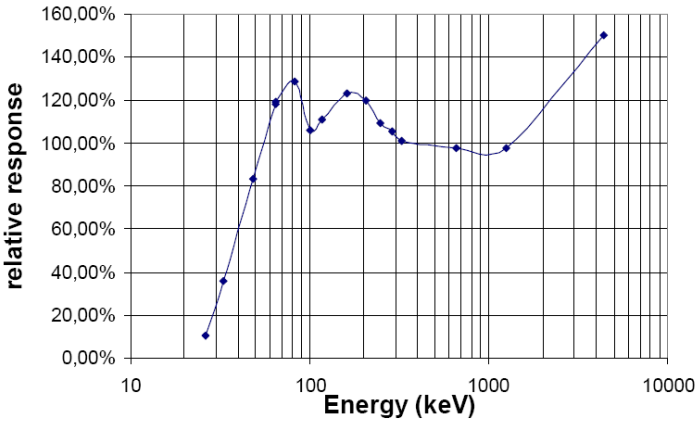


Diagram 11-1: Energy dependence in direction of max. response, perpendicular to ref. mark, ambient equivalent (RadEye GF)

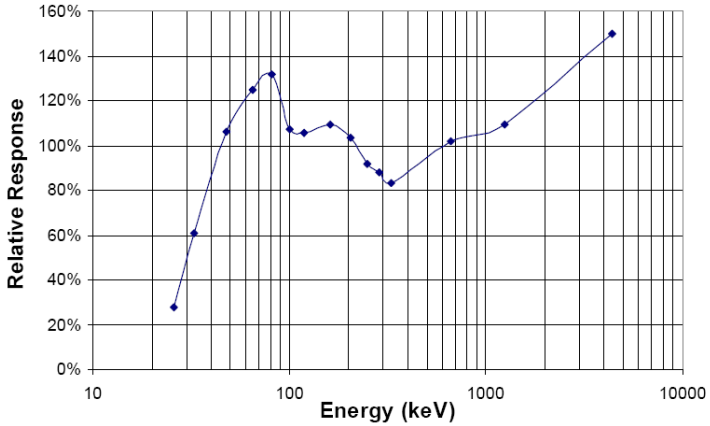


Diagram 11-2: Energy dependence in direction of max. response, perpendicular to ref. mark, ambient equivalent (RadEye GF-10)

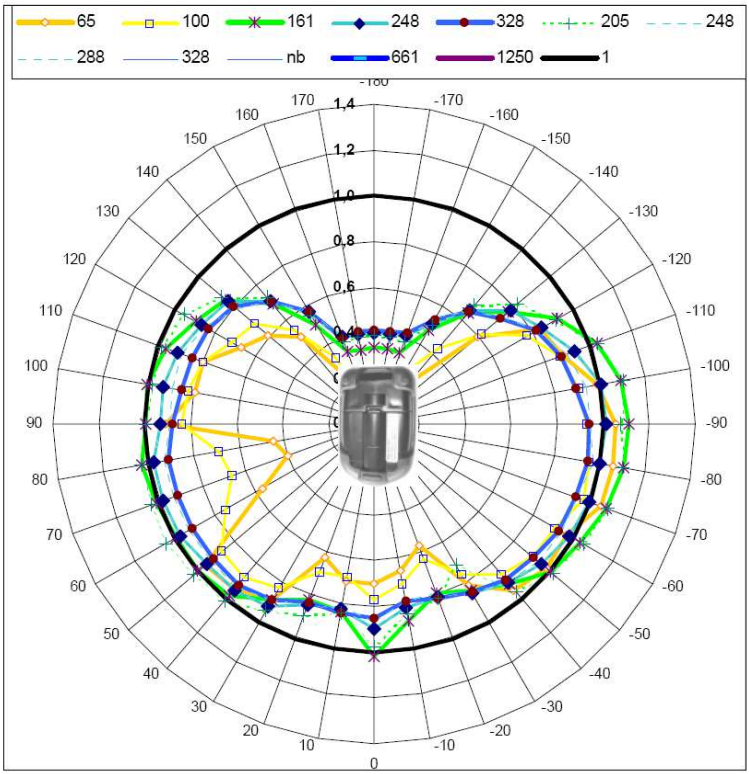


Diagram 11-3: Angular response, horizontal plane (RadEye GF)

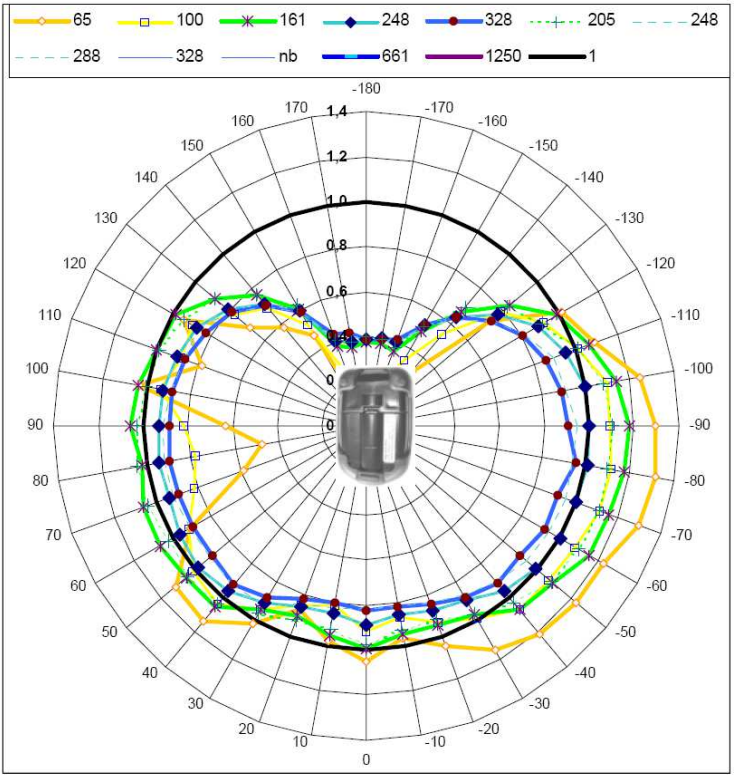


Diagram 11-4: Angular response, horizontal plane (RadEye GF-10)

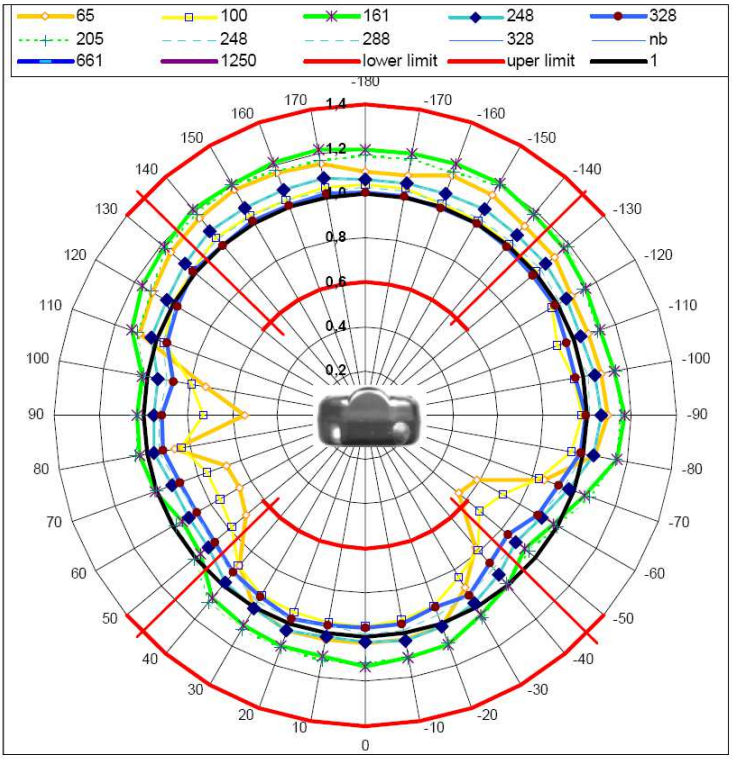


Diagram 11-5: Angular response, vertical plane (RadEye GF)

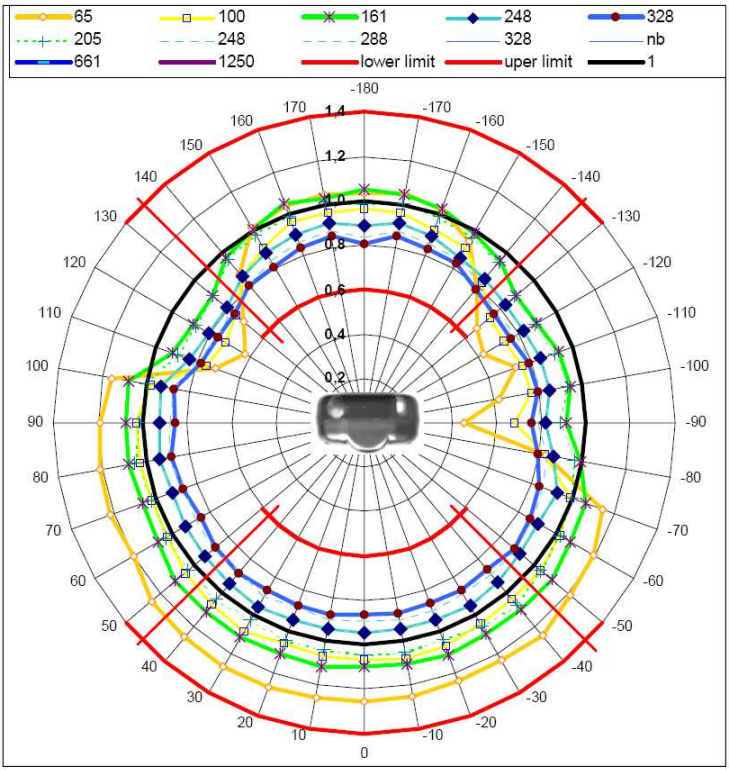


Diagram 11-6: Angular response, vertical plane (RadEye GF-10)

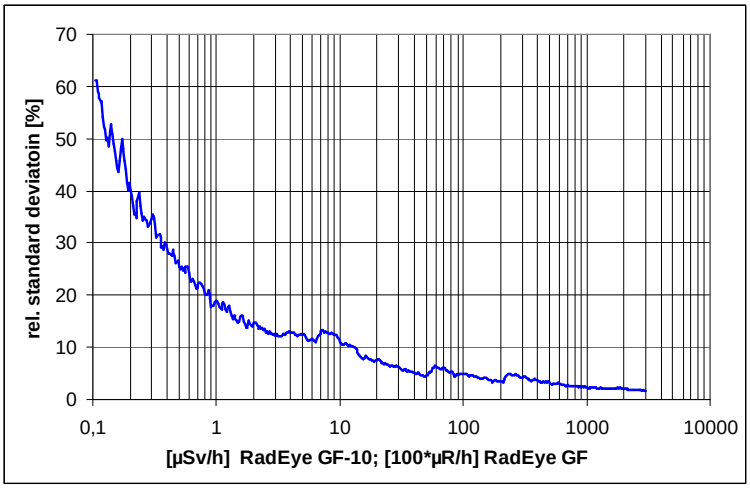


Diagram 11-7: Statistical standard deviation of the measured value with constant dose rates (RadEye GF / GF-10)

11.3 Firmware revisions

V 2.02
First edition

V 2.05
Submenus “Settings” and “Alarm indication” are maskable

V 2.06
Support of RadEye GF/GF-10

V 3.01

- Firmware supporting new hardware.
- Change of menu language via menu item

V 3.06

- New Russian language
- New feature: Display of mR/h instead of µR/h
- A acoustic signal and a flashing Alarm-LED at the end of a scaler measurement
- Manual data logging
- Error resolved: With option "Alarm Read Only" under the menu item "Alarm Dose Rate" the "/ h" was missing
- Feature key lock is configurable
- Error resolved: when changing scaler background, Time/Count values change automatically.
- New measuring unit “Gy/h”
- Graphic display
- Data set number is increased at the start of a scaler measurement

12. Annex

12.1 Factory Settings

Item	Factory default RadEye GF-10 425067675	Factory default RadEye GF 425067475
Language	English	
Operating mode	Ratemeter	
Measuring unit	Sv/h	R/h
Type of battery	Battery (Alkaline)	
Acoustic indication	Single pulse indication	
Keyboard	Beep when key pressed	
Display temperature	°C	
Display dose	Active	
Display option “upside down”	Disabled	
History timer interval	120 s	
Text display line 1	Line 1	
Text display line 1	RadEye GF-10	RadEye GF
Text display line 3	Line 3	
Text display line 4	Line 4	
Text field	This text is not shown in the LCD.	
Alarm 1 Dose rate	5.0 µSv/h	0.5 mR/h
Alarm 2 Dose rate	250.00 µSv/h	25.0 mR/h
Alarm 1, Dose	10000000 µSv	1000000 mR
Alarm 2, Dose	10000000 µSv	1000000 mR
Alarm thresholds read only	Disabled	
Alarm indicator, Sound	Enabled	
Alarm indicator, LED	Enabled	
Alarm indicator, Vibrator	Enabled	

Item	Factory default RadEye GF-10 425067675	Factory default RadEye GF 425067475
Alarm latching time	0s	
Active functions	All available functions are active	
Scaler preset time	120s	
Scaler preset counts	9999	
Scaler auto restart	off	
Bluetooth: Power off at battery low	Enabled	
Bluetooth: Blue LED on	Enabled	
Bluetooth: Firewall	Enabled	
Bluetooth: Secure connection	Enabled	
Bluetooth PIN	1234	
Bluetooth: operation mode	PC	

13. Service contact

To request repair or calibration services, please use the online RGA (Return Goods Authorization)
process at:

http://www.thermoscientific.com/servicerepair

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