

# **TECHNOLOGY GUIDE**

## **ANALOGUE VALUES & SENSOR RECALIBRATION**



This Technology Guide explains the range of Analogue Values produced by the ESP Range of Sensors and which values relate to correct operation, maintenance faults and those outside of the sensor's working limits. It also summarises the way in which ESP sensors automatically recalibrate themselves after contamination.

With the Hochiki ESP Range of Sensors the analogue signal produced by the device is proportional to the smoke (or Heat) present in the sensing chamber. This level can be expressed as a numerical analogue value which can be read by the TCH-B100 Address Programmer, the TE-LCT Loop Commissioning Tool or the Control Panel itself.

The tables below show the correct operating ranges for each type of sensor, if the sensor values fall outside of these ranges then a maintenance fault will be displayed at the panel and the sensor will require cleaning and recalibration.







TCH-B100 Hand Held Device Programmer



TE-LCT
Loop Commissioning
Tool



## **AIE-E Operating Ranges**

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Fire Point Range	246 240 145 139	Outside Working Limits	
		Maintenance Fault	
		Correct Operating Range	
		Maintenance Fault	
		Outside Working Limits	
Zero Point Range	109 103 15 9	Maintenance Fault	
		<b>Correct Operating Range</b>	
		Maintenance Fault	
		Outside Working Limits	Zero Point ~ 61

### **ACA-E Operating Ranges**



Note: When reading the analogue value of the ACA-E multi-sensor, the TCH-B100 will only display the value for the smoke chamber.

#### ATG-E, ACB-E & ACB-EW Operating Ranges

As the ATG-E, ACB-E and ACB-EW Heat Sensor analogue values are in direct correlation to the temperature within the room in which they are located, there are no graphs displaying values. The values would vary depending on the background temperature within the room itself. However the temperature in °C can be calculated from the value displayed by the TCH-B100 using the simple formula below:



ANALOGUE VALUE ON TCH-B100 - 20 = TEMPERATURE °C

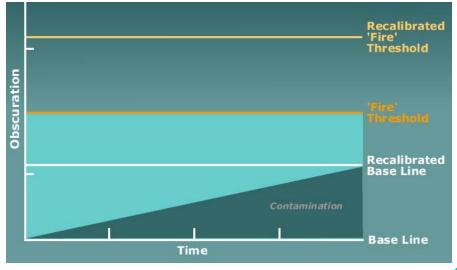
Example:  $\frac{82}{2}$  - 20 = 21°C

#### **Sensor Recalibration**

Once installed the sensors performance will vary over time due to gradual contamination by the environment. This can lead to either the device becoming over-sensitive (unwanted alarms) or become so

contaminated that it fails to respond to smoke altogether. To overcome this contamination the ESP system automatically recalibrates all smoke sensors every 24 hours maintaining the sensor at its optimum performance.

However the sensor will eventually reach a point where it can no longer re-calibrate satisfactorily (maintenance fault). At this point it can either be serviced or replaced.



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