Digital Multi-Day Max/Min Thermometer Reset

Field Guide

Task

Reset the digital multi-day thermometer to establish the time of reset, which serves as the starting and ending time for the 24-hour intervals over which the instrument records maximum and minimum temperatures.

Note: The thermometer should only be reset when it is setup, when the battery is changed, or if your *time of reset* becomes more than one hour from local solar noon.

What You Need

Pen or nail

- Site Definition Sheet
- An accurate watch or other device that tells time

In the Field

1. Determine an appropriate *time of reset* that corresponds to the average time of local solar noon for your area. It is important that the *time of reset* is within one hour of local solar noon for every day that you will be taking measurements. If you find that this is not the case, then a new *time of reset* will need to be chosen and the instrument reset.



- 2. Go to the instrument shelter a little before your desired *time of reset* and open up the instrument shelter and the cover flap of the digital max/min thermometer.
- 3. At your desired time of reset, use a nail or the tip of a pen to press in and release the reset button, located as shown above.
- 4. The digital display screen will briefly flash and then begin reading the current temperature. The instrument has now been reset. Record the exact time of day, in the *Time of Reset* section of the *Site Definition Sheet*. This is your time of reset.
- 5. Report your *time of reset* by clicking on Edit Site, clicking on Reset Thermometer and indicating the date and time of reset in UT time.