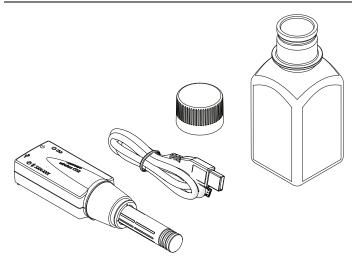
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# Wireless CO<sub>2</sub> Sensor

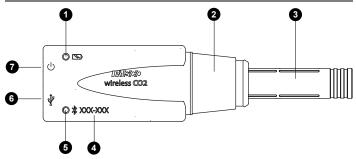
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# What's included



- · Wireless CO<sub>2</sub> Sensor
- USB Cable
- · Gas Sampling Bottle

### **Features**



Battery Status Light

Indicates the battery level and charging status.

LIGHT	<b>S</b> TATUS
Red, blink	Low battery level
Green, solid	Fully charged
Yellow, solid	Charging

2 Rubber collar

Used for creating an airtight seal when the probe is inserted into the sampling bottle.

3 Probe

Contains the CO<sub>2</sub> gas sensing element.

4 Device ID

Use to identify the sensor when connecting using Bluetooth.

**⑤** Bluetooth Status Light **※**Indicates the status of the Bluetooth connection.

LIGHT	STATUS
Red, blink	Ready to pair
Green, blink	Paired
Yellow, blink	Remotely logging data

**6** USB Port **←** 

Use with the USB cable to connect to a USB wall charger to charge the battery. Also use to send measurement data to software when connected to a USB port of a computer or mobile device (iOS devices not supported).

7 Power Button 🕛

Press and hold for one second to turn the sensor on or off.

# Getting started

Perform the tasks in this section before using this device in the classroom.

# Charge the battery

Connect the Wireless CO<sub>2</sub> Sensor USB port to a USB charger using the included USB cable. The battery light displays yellow while charging and changes to green when fully charged.

#### Get the software

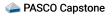
You can use the Wireless CO<sub>2</sub> Sensor with SPARKvue or PASCO Capstone software. If you're not sure which app to use, visit pasco.com/products/guides/software-comparison for help. SPARKvue is available as a free app for Chromebook, iOS, and Android devices. We offer a free trial of SPARKvue and Capstone for Windows and Mac.

WINDOWS AND MAC	CHROMEBOOK, IOS, AND ANDROID
Go to pasco.com/downloads.	Search for <b>SPARKvue</b> in your device's app store.

If you already have the software, check that you have the latest update installed:

**SPARKvue** 

Go to the Main Menu = then select Check for Updates.



In the menu bar, click Help then select Check for updates.

#### Connect to the software

- **SPARKvue**
- 1. Press and hold the power button  $\bigcirc$  until the lights turn on.
- 2. Open SPARKvue.
- 3. Select Sensor Data on the Welcome Screen.



4. Select the Wireless CO<sub>2</sub> Sensor that matches its device ID.



① **Important:** You may be prompted to update the firmware if a new version is available. If so, click **Yes** to update the firmware.

- Note that the CO2 Concentration measurement is selected by default.
- 6. Select a template to display the data.



#### PASCO Capstone

- 1. Press and hold the power button ( ) until the lights turn on.
- 2. Open PASCO Capstone.
- 3. Click Hardware Setup.

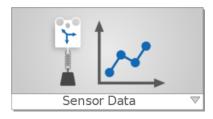


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- 5. Click Hardware Setup again to close the panel.
- Click Sensor Data to display a graph of CO2 Concentration versus Time.



#### Set up and collect data

#### **SPARKvue**

- Insert the probe into the sampling bottle. Form an airtight seal with the rubber collar.
- 2. Allow the sensor to equilibrate for 3 minutes.
- 3. (Optional) Calibrate the sensor.
  - In the live data bar, click CO2 Concentration then select Calibrate measurement.
  - b. Click Calibrate then click OK.
- Place a sample in the bottle then reseal the bottle with the sensor.
- 5. Click **Start** 🔵 to begin data collection.

□ Note: If there is significant drift or the value is outside the expected range after performing the initial calibration, perform the procedure in the Extended calibration section.

#### PASCO Capstone

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- 3. (Optional) Calibrate the sensor.
  - a. In the Tools palette, select Calibration
  - b. Click Next then Finish. Click OK when calibration is complete.
  - c. Select **Calibration** to close the panel.
- 4. Place a sample in the bottle then reseal the bottle with the sensor
- 5. Click **Record** to begin data collection.

□ Note: If there is significant drift or the value is outside the expected range after performing the initial calibration, perform the procedure in the Extended calibration section.

# Download an experiment

Download one of several student-ready activities from the PASCO Experiment Library. Experiments include editable student handouts and teacher notes. Go to pasco.com/freelabs/PS-3208.

If you want to explore on your own, check out the SPARKvue and PASCO Capstone help guides to search for specific topics.

#### **SPARKvue**

Software: Go to the Main Menu = then select Help.

Online: pasco.com/help/sparkvue

PASCO Capstone

Software: In the menu bar, click Help then select

PASCO Capstone Help.

Online: pasco.com/help/capstone

#### **Extended calibration**

After performing the initial calibration, if there is significant drift or the value is outside the expected range, use the following procedure to improve sensor stability:

 $\bigcirc$  Tip: This procedure can be performed with more than one sensor simultaneously.

- Take your sensor and computing device outside in fresh air. You
  do not need the sampling bottle. Place in the shade away from
  CO<sub>2</sub> sources such as cars and people.
- 2. Connect the sensor to your device and create a Graph display.
- Leave the sensor undisturbed and connected for about 25 minutes.
- Return after 25 minutes and perform the standard calibration procedure.

# Storage and maintenance

- Do not use or store the sensor in a highly dusty environment.
- Avoid direct sunlight or heat radiation.
- Do not let the sensor get wet.

# Specifications and accessories

Visit the product page at pasco.com/product/PS-3208 to view the specifications and explore accessories. Experiment files and support documents can also be found on the product page.

# **Technical Support**

Need more help? Our knowledgeable and friendly Technical Support staff is ready to provide assistance with this or any other PASCO product.

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Phone (International) +1 916 462 8384

Online pasco.com/support

# Regulatory information

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#### Limited Warranty

For a description of the product warranty, see the Warranty and Returns page at www.pasco.com/legal.

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#### Product end of life disposal instructions



This electronic product is subject to disposal and recycling regulations that vary by country and region. It is your responsibility to recycle your electronic equipment per your local environmental laws and regulations to ensure that it will be recycled in a manner that protects human health and the environment. To find out where you can drop off your waste equipment for recycling, please contact your local waste recycle or disposal service, or the place where you purchased the product.

The European Union WEEE (Waste Electronic and Electrical Equipment) symbol on the product or its packaging indicates that this product must not be disposed of in a standard waste container.

#### **Battery disposal instructions**

Batteries contain chemicals that, if released, may affect the environment and human health. Batteries should be collected separately for recycling and recycled at a local hazardous material disposal location adhering to your country and local government regulations. To find out where you can drop off your waste battery for recycling, please contact your local waste disposal service, or the product representative. The battery used in this product is marked with the European Union symbol for waste batteries to indicate the need for the separate collection and recycling of batteries.

#### **FCC** statement

This device complies with part 15 of the FCC Rules. Operation is subject to the following two conditions: (1) This device may not cause harmful interference, and (2) this device must accept any interference received, including interference that may cause undesired operation.

#### CE statement

This device has been tested and found to comply with the essential requirements and other relevant provisions of the applicable EU Directives.