

A Baseline For Food Safety

Using the correct tools, including accurately calibrated thermometers, is an essential component of any basic HACCP plan. Cooper-Atkins believes that every foodservice professional should implement a regular routine to ensure their thermometers are accurate and ready to use.

Calibration is a formal comparison of any item to a known standard that is of higher accuracy. The comparison is normally conducted under controlled environmental conditions and typically not done on-site. It is traceable to a known standard through an unbroken chain of comparison to the National Institute of Standards and Technology (N.I.S.T.).

Validation is a quick, less formal comparison of any item against a single temperature point, most commonly an ice bath. It is performed regularly, can be performed on-site, and is a confirmation that the instrument is accurate to within acceptable tolerance.

When validating thermometers, it is usually by means of a single test point such as an ice bath* (32°F). If the thermometer is validated by such means and reads 32°F (± accuracy tolerance of the instrument) it now meets the FDA Guidelines.

*NOTE: Use crushed, not cubed, ice to make the ice bath. Tests show that using cubed ice can result in an ice bath with a baseline temperature higher than 32°F, resulting in a false reading.



U.S. Food and Drug Administration
Center for Food Safety & Applied
Nutrition Food Code

CHAPTER 3 FOOD

3-501.19 Time as a Public Health Control

(B) The **FOOD** shall have an initial **TEMPERATURE** of 41°F (5°C) or less if removed from cold holding temperature control, or 135°F (57°C) or greater if removed from hot holding temperature control.

CHAPTER 4 EQUIPMENT, UTENSILS AND LINENS

4-502.11 Good Repair and Calibration.

(A) **UTENSILS** shall be maintained in a state of repair or condition that complies with the requirements specified under Parts 4-1 and 4-2, <http://www.fda.gov/Food/FoodSafety/RetailFoodProtection/FoodCode/FoodCode2009/default.htm> or shall be discarded.

(B) **FOOD TEMPERATURE MEASURING DEVICES** shall be calibrated in accordance with manufacturer's specifications as necessary to ensure their accuracy.

(C) Ambient air temperature, water pressure, and water **TEMPERATURE MEASURING DEVICES** shall be maintained in good repair and be accurate within the intended range of use.

MAX Pen-Style, Digital Pocket Test DPP800W

- Temperature Range: -40° to 450°F (-40° to 232°C)
- Accuracy: ±1°F (±0.5°C)
- Resolution: 0.1°
- <6 second response time
- IPX7 Waterproof rated - dishwasher-safe
- EZ-Read large LCD
- 4" (102 mm) stainless steel stem with ultra-fine tip
- Min / Max / Hold modes
- Anti-microbial additive
- CE certified, NSF listed, WEEE marked and RoHS compliant

Digital Pocket Test with Temperature Alarm DFP450W

- Temperature Range: -40° to 450°F (-40° to 232°C)
- Accuracy: ±2°F (±1°C)
- Resolution: 0.1°
- <6 second response time
- IPX7 Waterproof rated - dishwasher-safe
- Adjustable temperature alarm setting
- 4.75" (121 mm) stainless steel stem
- Min / Max / Hold modes
- Anti-microbial additive
- CE certified, NSF listed, WEEE marked and RoHS compliant

Digital Refrigerator / Freezer Thermometer 2560

- Temperature Range: -22° to 122°F (-30° to 50°C)
- Accuracy: ±1°F (±0.5°C)
- Resolution: 0.1°
- Water-resistant
- Stands or hangs
- Min / Max / Reset features
- Anti-microbial additive
- CE certified, NSF listed, WEEE marked and RoHS compliant

Pen-Style, Digital Pocket Test DPP400W

- Temperature Range: -40° to 392°F (-40° to 200°C)
- Accuracy: ±2°F (±1°C)
- Resolution: 0.1°
- <6 second response time
- IPX7 Waterproof-rated
- 2.75" (70 mm) stainless steel stem
- Min / Max / Hold modes
- Anti-microbial additive
- CE certified, NSF listed, WEEE marked and RoHS compliant

Coolit-Rite™ Cooling Validator (not shown) TTM41-0 / TTM41-10

- Temperature Range: -4° to 302°F (-20° to 150°C)
- Accuracy: ±2°F (±1°F)
- Timer Range: 6 hours : 59 minutes
- Water-resistant
- 15" (381 mm) / 10" (254 mm) stainless steel stem with adjustable vessel clip
- Min / Max / Hold modes
- Anti-microbial additive
- CE certified, NSF listed, WEEE marked and RoHS compliant

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LIFETIME WARRANTY:

Any AFL instrument that proves to measure temperatures out of the specified accuracy range or be defective in material or workmanship, will be replaced, without charge, upon receipt of the unit prepaid.

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The same innovative technology applied in our popular thermocouple instruments is now available in select digital thermometers. With calibration settings stored in a non-volatile memory chip, *field adjustment has become a thing of the past*. And there's no risk of introducing error into the instrument. Digital thermometers are used in all aspects of a good HACCP management program.

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We are so committed to ensuring the accuracy of our products, that we guarantee it!



**Always Validate
Your Thermometer**

Validate the accuracy of your thermometer with our NEW, easy-to-use VALCUP (9325). Just fill with crushed ice, add water, insert thermometer and validate.

MAX Pen Style Digital Pocket Test Thermometer

DPP800W

- EZ-READ LCD
- EXTRA-LONG STEM WITH ULTRA-FINE TIP FOR <6 SECOND RESPONSE TIME
- USE TO TEST DISHWASHER RINSE TEMPERATURE



Digital Pocket Test with Temperature Alarm

DFP450W

- EXTRA-LONG STEM WITH ULTRA-FINE TIP
- USE TO TEST DISHWASHER RINSE TEMPERATURE
- ADJUSTABLE TEMPERATURE ALARM SETTING



Digital Refrigerator / Freezer Thermometer

2560

- EASY TO READ
- MIN / MAX READINGS
- THE FIRST NSF LISTED DIGITAL REFRIGERATOR / FREEZER THERMOMETER



Pen Style Digital Pocket Test Thermometer

DPP400W

- ULTRA-FINE TIP FOR <6 SECOND RESPONSE TIME
- MIN / MAX HOLD FEATURES
- WATERPROOF



See back cover for all Accurate for Life instrument specifications

