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# vLoc3-Cam

Technical Specifications V1.7



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## A. Description and Typical Applications

Item	Parameter
Model Name	vLoc3-Cam
Model Number	VX225-01
Description	Sonde locator with passive locate modes
Intended Use	Locating & pinpointing the position of sondes, push camera sondes, crawler camera sondes, pushrod, and some buried utilities

## B. Characteristics

Item	Parameter
Construction	High impact thermoplastic (ABS) injection molded housing
Weight	4.6lbs (2.1kg)
Dimensions	12.6in(L) x 4.9in(W) x 26.6in(H) (321mm x 124mm x 676mm)
Display Type	High-Visibility Color Display, 4.3"/10cm with 480 x 272 resolution
Receiver Antennas	Two sets of Omnidirectional Antennas, each comprising: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Two Compass antennas</li> <li>Two Horizontal antennas</li> <li>Two Vertical antennas</li> </ul>
Batteries	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Six x AA Alkaline batteries</li> <li>Optional rechargeable custom Lithium-ion batteries with 100-240V AC mains charger.</li> </ul>
Battery Life	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Alkaline – typically 12 hours intermittent use at 70°F (21°C)</li> <li>Optional Lithium-ion – typically 27 hours intermittent use at 70°F (21°C)</li> </ul> <p>* With backlight activated, Battery life varies with temperature; Li-ion re-charging cycles are approximately 500 times the life cycle</p>
Environmental	IP65 and NEMA 4
External Connectors	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Mini USB socket for software updates</li> <li>Accessory Socket – to charge the optional rechargeable batteries</li> <li>Bluetooth Port – to install optional Bluetooth module</li> </ul>
Temperature Range	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Operating: -4°F to 122°F (-20°C to 50°C)</li> <li>Storage: -40°F to 140°F (-40°C to 60°C)</li> </ul>
Compliance and Approvals	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Complies with European standard CE (Directive 99/5/EC)</li> <li>Complies with FCC Rules Part 15 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>CFR 47 part 2</li> </ul> </li> </ul>

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• EN 55011</li> <li>• EN 61000-4-2: A1 &amp; A2</li> <li>• EN 61000-4-3</li> <li>• EN 61000-4-8: A1</li> <li>• ETSI EN 300 330-2</li> <li>• ETSI EN 301 489-1</li> <li>• ETSI EN 301 489-3</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• CFR 47 Part 15</li> </ul>
<b>Manufacturing</b>	Designed and manufactured per ISO 9001:2015	
<b>What's In the Box</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- vLoc3-Cam Receiver</li> <li>- Mini USB cable for firmware updates</li> <li>- Six x AA Alkaline batteries</li> <li>- Six x AA Alkaline battery holder</li> <li>- User manual</li> </ul>	
<b>Compatible Accessories</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Bluetooth Module</li> <li>- GPS Module</li> <li>- Vehicle Charging DC Lead</li> <li>- Range of Sondes (waterproof, self-contained transmitters for use in nonmetallic pipes &amp; ducts)</li> </ul>	

## C. Operational

Item	Parameter
<b>Information Displayed</b>	<p><b>Status Bar Information:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Antenna configuration: Peak line locate or Sonde</li> <li>- Sonde or Line depth - push button or continuous (selection in menu)</li> <li>- Battery condition</li> <li>- Speaker volume</li> <li>- Bluetooth and GNSS status (If installed)</li> </ul> <p><b>Sonde Locate Screen:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Blue circle icons represent rear and forward sonde locate points</li> <li>- Directional arrow pointing to the forward/rear locate points and sonde location</li> <li>- Sonde icon</li> <li>- Signal strength in moving bar graphs with numeric scale</li> <li>- Sonde depth – push button or continuous (selection in menu)</li> <li>- Sonde frequency</li> </ul> <p><b>Pushrod Locate screen (Classic display):</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Signal strength in moving bar graphs with numeric scale</li> </ul>

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Gain level (in dB)</li> <li>- Active frequency</li> <li>- Depth and logging option (if Bluetooth is installed)</li> </ul> <p><b>Information screen:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Depth</li> <li>- GPS co-ordinates</li> <li>- Log number</li> </ul> <p><b>Customer definable start-up screen</b></p>
<b>Locate Perspectives</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- <b>Classic Locate</b> – moving bar graph with a value showing signal strength</li> <li>- <b>Sonde Locate Screen</b> – directing arrow to move to the Sonde position along the polar axis</li> </ul>
<b>Configuration</b>	<p><b>Intuitive setup menu enables the user to configure:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Set up frequency selection to toggle by "f" pushbutton</li> <li>- Setup location mode selection to toggle by "m" pushbutton</li> <li>- Setup screen views selection to toggle by long press "m" pushbutton</li> <li>- Units of measure (feet/meters)</li> <li>- Sound (Pitch) – normal or modulated</li> <li>- Language</li> <li>- Continuous depth option</li> <li>- Loudspeaker level</li> <li>- Backlight</li> <li>- Bluetooth pairing if installed</li> <li>- Auto shut down – configurable to power down at five minutes, ten minutes, or never</li> </ul>
<b>Data Logging</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- 50 million record internal storage</li> <li>- Data can also be transferred for storage, via cellular connectivity, into the cloud using the Vivax-Metrotech application, VMMap</li> </ul> <p>All parameters stored at each location including depth, current, date, time, mode, gain setting, frequency, locate uncertainty, longitude, latitude, and height above sea-level</p>
<b>Data Transfer</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Via the Vivax-Metrotech "MyLocator3" software application available free of charge from <a href="http://www.vivax-metrotech.com">www.vivax-metrotech.com</a>. Data can be saved in csv, klm, shp, txt, xls and xlsx formats. The transfer is via a USB cable connection from the locator to the host computer.</li> </ul> <p><b>Or</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Cellular transfer to the VMMap Cloud (Vivax-Metrotech Cloud) via the VMMap mobile app</li> </ul>
<b>Operating Frequencies</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Sonde – 512Hz, 640Hz, 8.19kHz, 9.82kHz, 32.8kHz, and 83.1kHz</li> <li>- Pushrod and Line trace: USA = 83.1kHz</li> </ul> <p>EU, UK, AU = 32.8kHz or 83.1kHz</p>

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Power 50Hz and 60Hz</li> <li>- Radio – 10.0kHz - 22.7kHz bandwidth</li> </ul>	
<b>Operating Modes</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Peak</li> <li>- Omni Directional Peak</li> </ul>	
<b>Gain Control</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Manual gain using "+" or "-" keys</li> <li>- One-touch of "+" or "-" keys rescales to 60% of the bar graph scale</li> </ul>	
<b>Accuracy</b>	Locate pinpointing accuracy:	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Over 9ft (3m) – 5% of the depth</li> <li>- Up to 9ft (3m) – 3% of the depth</li> </ul>
	Depth measurement accuracy:	+/- 5% of the depth
	Depth range:	Dependent on the strength of the signal radiating to the locator
	* Performance rated using a single undistorted signal source	
<b>Compatible Transmitters</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- For pushrod trace and line locate:</li> <li>- VM-550FF 1-watt transmitter</li> <li>- Loc3 series 5 and 10-watt transmitters</li> </ul>	

## D. Shipping and Packaging

Item	Parameter
<b>Shipping Weight</b>	10.5lbs (4.75kg)
<b>Shipping Dimension</b>	16.5in(L) x 11in(W) x 27.6in(H) (420mm x 280mm x 700mm)

## E. Warranty

Item	Parameter
<b>Warranty</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Two years</li> <li>- Optional extended warranty available</li> </ul>

## F. Software Updates

Item	Parameter
<b>Software</b>	The software can be upgraded using a PC with a USB port. Program updates & locator software updates are available via the free MyLocator3 app.

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