



# **AutoScan Spectrophotometer**



# **Instrument Operator's Manual**





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**Para 115V~/230V~:** Use solamente el adaptador C.A. de X-Rite, pieza SE30-77.

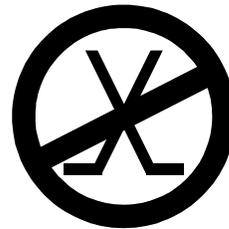
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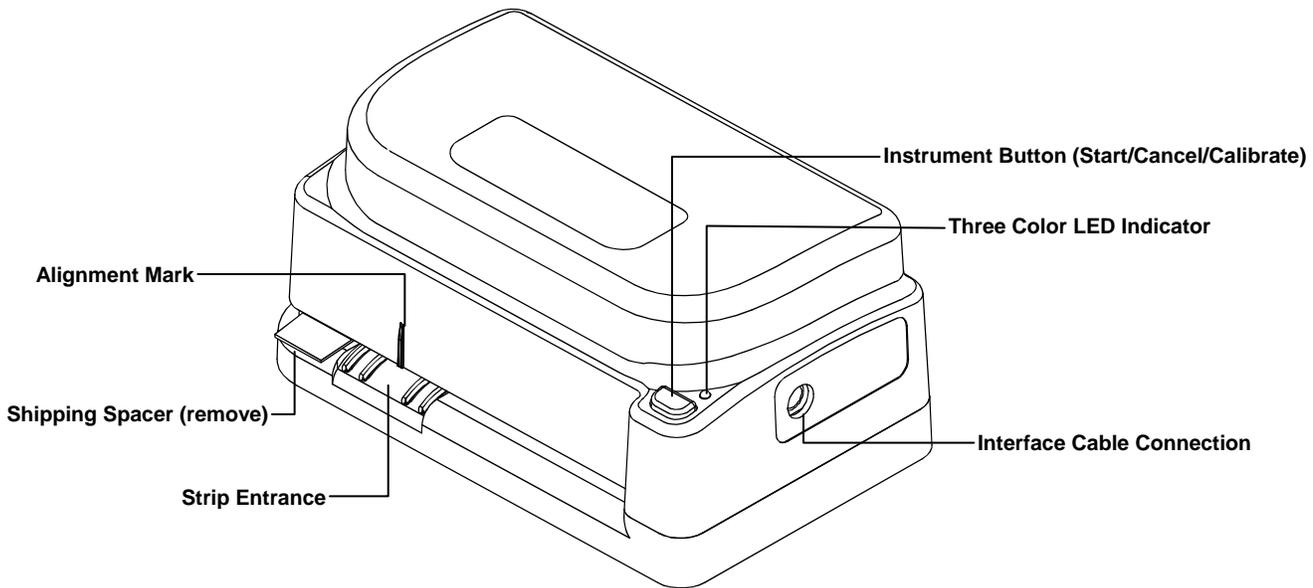


# 1 Overview and Setup

## INSTRUMENT DESCRIPTION

The X-RiteColor® AutoScan Spectrophotometer is a 24-band color measurement instrument that reports densitometric, colorimetric, and spectral data. The instrument is primarily interfaced with Raster Image Processors (RIPs), Color Copiers, and Color Printers and Proofers utilizing third party color management software control. The instrument is open ended on the left side to read linear groups of patches on large media sheets without cutting.

Your instrument package includes separate software utilities for Macintosh and Windows operating systems, and a calibration reference for quick calibration of the instrument. This manual covers the installation, calibration, and maintenance of the X-RiteColor AutoScan Spectrophotometer. Specific instructions for using the instrument with your third-party software program can be found in the third-party software documentation.



## UNPACKING AND INSPECTION

After removing the instrument from the shipping carton, inspect it for damage. If any damage has occurred during shipping, immediately contact the transportation company. Do not proceed with installation until the carrier's agent has inspected the damage.

Your instrument was packaged in a specially designed carton to assure against damage. If shipment is necessary, the instrument should be packaged in the original carton. If the original carton is not available, contact X-Rite to have a replacement shipped to you.

### Packaging Content

Your instrument packaging should contain all the items listed below. If any of these items are missing, contact X-Rite or an Authorized Representative.

- DTP41 Instrument
- Interface Cable
- Power Supply
- Calibration Reference
- Certificate of Calibration
- Documentation, Utility CD and Registration Materials

**NOTE: DEPENDING ON THE CONFIGURATION, YOUR INSTRUMENT MAY NOT BE AVAILABLE WITH ALL THE OPTIONS SHOWN.**

**INSTRUMENT INTERFACE**

The instrument must be interfaced directly with one of the computer's Serial or USB ports. For attachment to a Mac Mini-DIN 8 Serial Port, you need to use the optional adapter (P/N SE108-DB9PA-01).

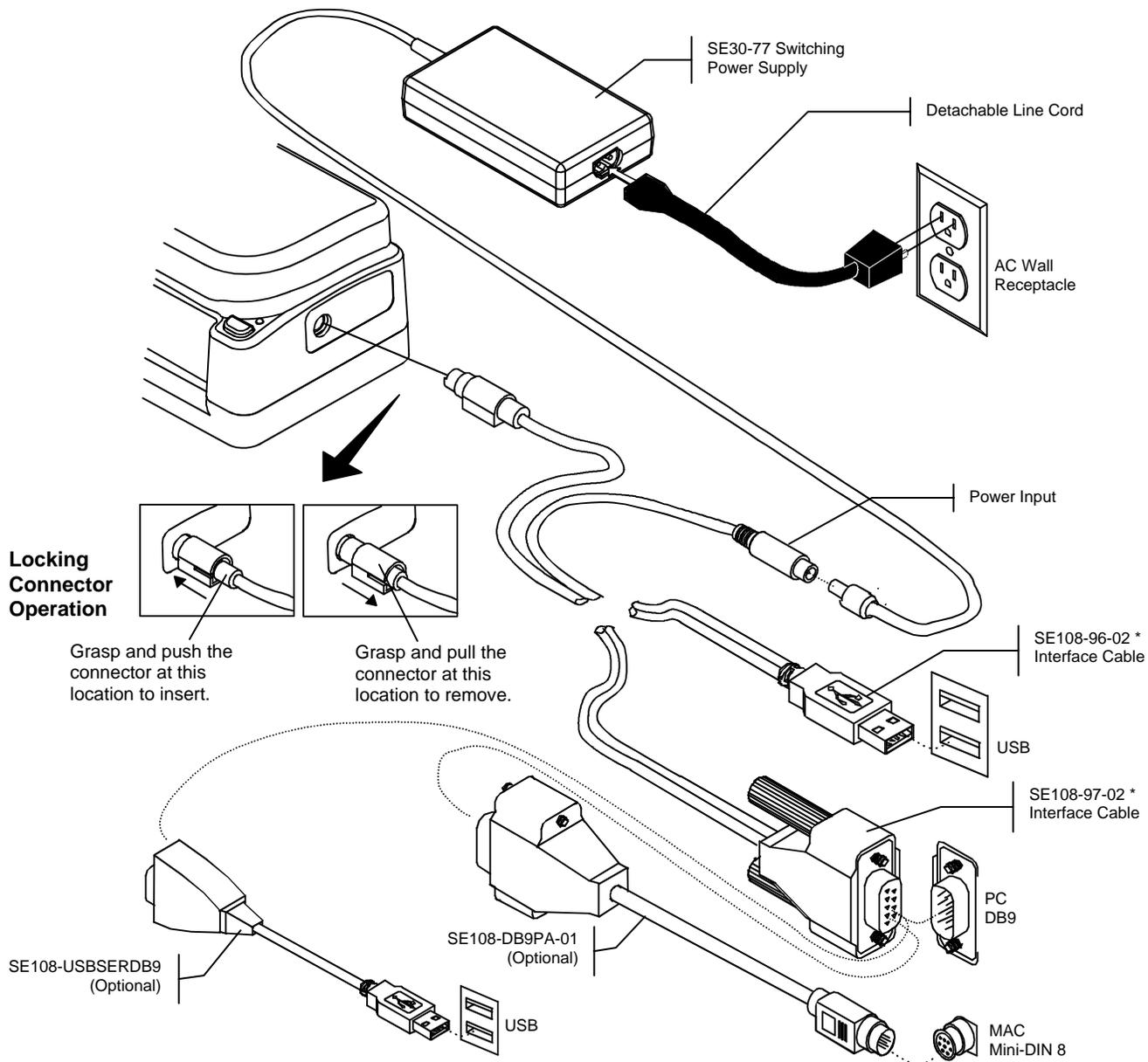
1. Quit all programs and shut down the computer before installing interface cabling.
2. Connect appropriate interface cables as shown.

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**CAUTION:** Use only the Switching Power Supply (SE30-77) to power the instrument.

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3. Plug the small end of the switching power supply into the power input connector of the interface cable.
4. Plug the detachable line cord into the power supply and then into the AC wall receptacle. The instrument does not have an ON/OFF switch.



**USB Driver Installation (Windows Only)**

A USB driver must be installed in the computer to allow the instrument to work with your software application if the USB interface cable is used. Follow the steps below to install the required USB driver.

1. Make sure the switching power supply is plugged into the instrument and the computer is on.
2. After the USB cable is plugged into your computer, you must install the USB driver that came with your instrument.
3. The USB driver is located in the Driver folder on the Manuals and Utilities CD.

\* May not be included in all models.

## INSTRUMENT LED INDICATOR

The LED indicates a variety of instrument operation conditions, such as calibration mode, and operation. Below is a complete list of all conditions reported by the LED.

### Operation Mode (Green Light)

- *Solid Green Light*—self test passed and instrument is ready for use with defined strip.
- *Slow Flashing Green Light*—strip reading in progress (strip being read).
- *Fast Flashing Green Light*—strip reading attempted but the wrong strip was inserted, or strip skewed during reading.

### Calibration Mode (Yellow Light)

- *Solid Yellow Light*—instrument calibration was entered, ready to start calibration with next button press.
- *Slow Flashing Yellow Light*—instrument calibration in progress (strip being read).
- *Solid Green Light after Yellow Light*—instrument calibration was successful and instrument is ready for use.
- *Fast Flashing Yellow Light*—instrument calibration failed, re-read calibration strip. If error persists, clean instrument and calibration strip (see Section Three). If error still persists, contact your Service Representative.

### Error/Reset Mode (Red Light)

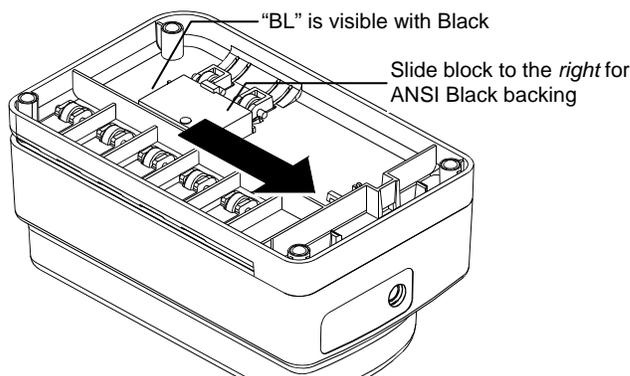
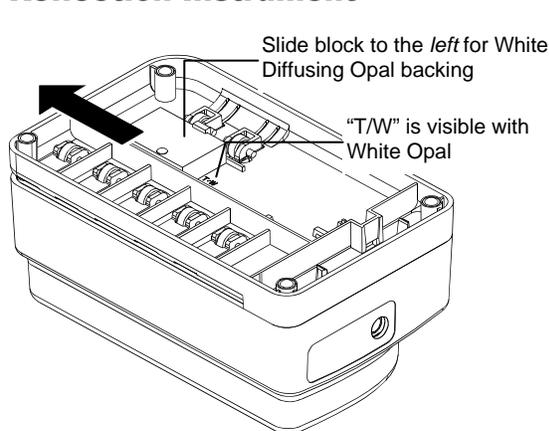
- *Solid Red Light*—an error was detected, the self test failed. Verify correct power supply is used. Turn power off, reapply power and see if condition is corrected; if not, contact Service Representative.
- *Solid Green or Yellow changing to Red*—an instrument reset is in progress. To initiate a reset, press and hold the button, the LED changes from Green or Yellow to Red. While the LED is Red, press button again (within 10 seconds). The LED changes to Green and the reset is performed, reinstating the factory defaults. If the second button press is not performed when the LED is Red, the instrument will time-out, causing the LED to change to Green and the reset to be aborted.

## CHANGING THE POSITION OF THE BACKING BLOCK

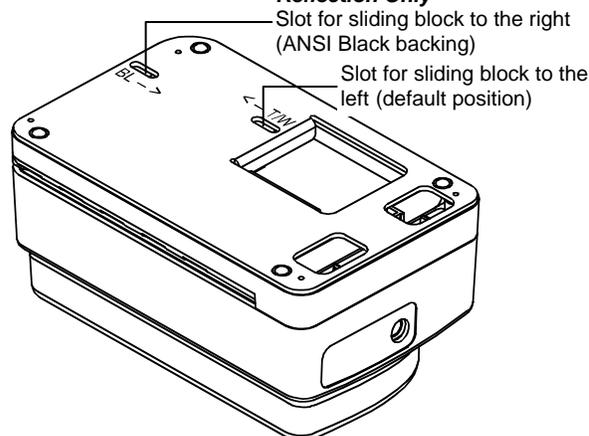
**NOTE:** Instruments that utilize a “raised white backing block” cannot be repositioned.

The backing surface used when measuring paper strips can be alternated between ANSI Black and White Diffusing Opal. The Backing Block is located on the bottom of the Base Assembly. Simply slide the block to the “right” for Black or to the “left” for White (see below). The factory setting for reflection instruments is Black backing. **For transmission instruments (DTP41/T), the optics block must remain in the “T/W” position (left) to measure film strips.** The block can be slid to the “BL” position (right) for measuring paper strips with a black backing if desired.

### Reflection Instrument



### Reflection Only



### Transmission Instrument

The optics block must be slid to the “T/W” position (transmission) when measuring film strips. A small screwdriver can be used to slide the optics block from one position to the other.

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# Calibration and Measurement

## FREQUENCY OF CALIBRATION

Typically, the host computer prompts for an instrument calibration when required. The frequency at which this occurs depends on the application. If desired, a reflection calibration can be invoked manually by pressing the Instrument button—refer below for procedure. At a minimum the instrument should be calibrated once a day for best accuracy.

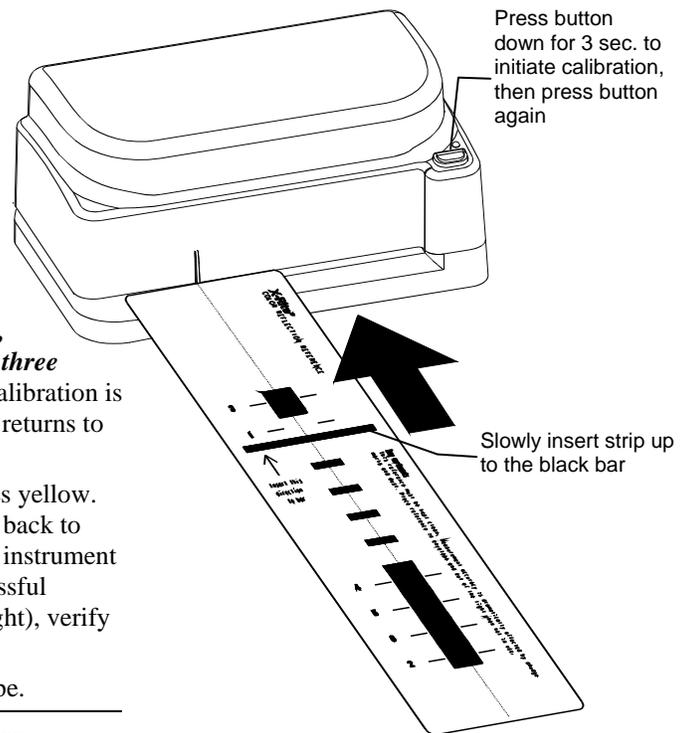
## REFLECTION MODE CALIBRATION

The X-RiteColor AutoScan Spectrophotometer has a unique automatic calibration feature. When the instrument performs a calibration procedure, the Color Reflection Reference is automatically scanned, simplifying the procedure. The instrument employs a number of self-checking procedures to verify calibration accuracy during normal use. When internal limits are exceeded, the computer calls for a calibration.

### CALIBRATION NOTE:

Handle Color Reflection Reference by the edges. Make sure that the Color Reflection Reference is free of dust, dirt, and smudgemarks. Refer to Section Three for cleaning procedure. Always store the Color Reflection Reference in its protective envelope away from light and heat.

1. Center the designated end of the Color Reflection Reference under the alignment mark. Slowly insert strip past the front idler rollers up to the black bar on the reference strip.
2. **To manually force the instrument into calibration mode, press and hold the Instrument button for a minimum of three seconds.** The indicator light changes to yellow. Note, if calibration is not performed after a short period of time, the instrument returns to the measurement mode (green light).
3. Press the Instrument button again. The light slowly flashes yellow. After a few moments, the light changes to green and then back to slow flashing yellow. The strip is then pulled through the instrument and out the back. The light turns solid green after a successful calibration. If the calibration fails (fast flashing yellow light), verify strip is clean and re-read.
4. Place Color Reflection Reference in its protective envelope.



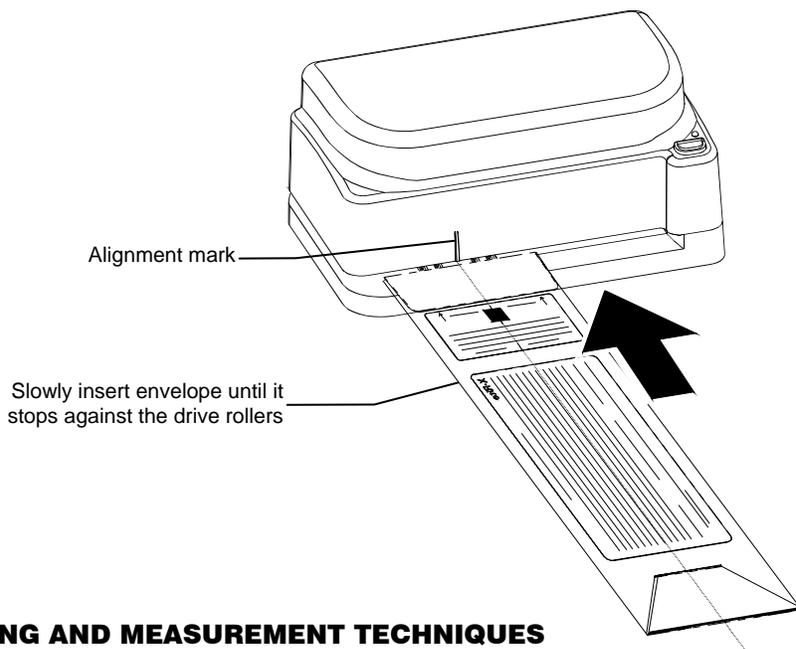
**NOTE:** The optics block must remain in the T/W position when calibrating a DTP41/T instrument.

## TRANSMISSION MODE (BLACK) CALIBRATION

**NOTE: Transmission operation is optional. Therefore, transmission mode calibration may not be available on your instrument.**

A transmission calibration is recommended for the DTP41/T instrument approximately once a week for optimal performance. The host computer initiates the procedure and prompts you to insert the calibration envelope (transmission calibration cannot be initiated manually). This procedure guides you through the mechanical aspects of positioning the envelope in the instrument.

1. When the host computer indicates a transmission calibration is needed, center the designated end of the Color Reflection Reference Envelope under the alignment mark. Slowly insert past the front idler rollers until it comes to rest against the rear drive rollers (approx. three inches).
2. Activate the cal procedure at the computer. **NOTE: This is a static measurement, the envelope is not pulled through the instrument.**
  - The instrument beeps once, flashes yellow slowly and takes a series of five measurements. After completion, the instrument beeps again and the indicator light changes to solid green.
3. Remove the Color Reflection Reference Envelope from the Instrument.



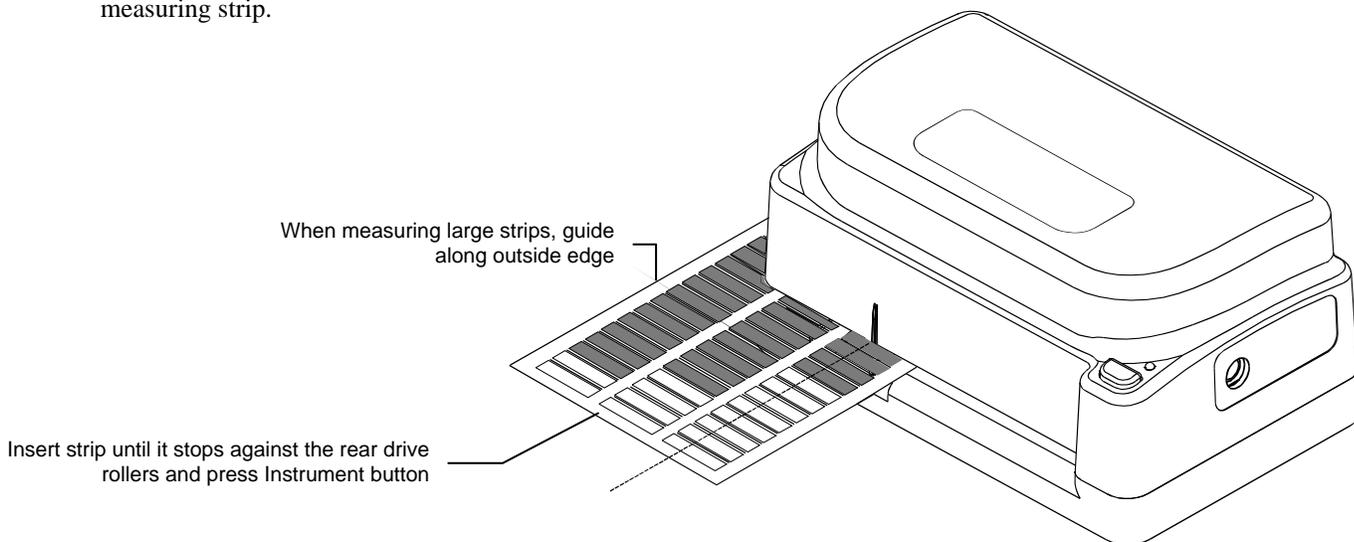
**STRIP POSITIONING AND MEASUREMENT TECHNIQUES**

You should refer to the documentation for the software program that you are using with your instrument. All applications that utilize the instrument will require that you have the software running during strip measurements. The following information is provided to familiarize you with the “mechanical” requirements of guiding a strip through the instrument.

**MEASUREMENT NOTE:**

The strip must have a 1.5” (38.10mm) leader before the leading edge of the first step (contact X-Rite Applications Support if additional information is required). Inspect the strip for spots or defects on the step. Defects may cause inaccurate measurements. Position the strip so that the group of patches to measure is directly under alignment mark on the cover. Insert the leading edge of the strip past the front idler rollers until it stops against the rear drive rollers (approximately three inches). Press the Instrument button, the motor activates and automatically pulls the strip through the instrument. For large strips (media that extends outside the left side of the cover), guide the strip with slight pressure. This prevents skewing of the strip as it is measured. Do not “tug” forwards or backwards on strip while internal motor is pulling strip through.

1. Select strip type to measure from software.
2. If required, initiate reading by pressing Instrument button. LED indicator should flash green slowly during reading.
3. Position the strip so that the patches to measure are directly under alignment mark. Insert the strip past the front idler rollers until it stops against the rear drive rollers. Press the Instrument button to activate reading.
4. Verify that the strip was read successfully by viewing the computer monitor. If an error message is noted, try re-measuring strip.



## REPAIR INFORMATION

The X-RiteColor AutoScan Spectrophotometer is covered by a one-year limited warranty and should be referred to the factory or an authorized service center for repairs within the warranty period.

X-Rite provides a factory repair service to their customers. Because of the complexity of the circuitry, all repairs should be referred to the factory or an authorized service center.

X-Rite will repair any instrument past warranty. The customer shall pay shipping and repair cost to the factory or authorized service center, and the instrument shall be submitted in the original carton, as a complete unaltered unit.

## CLEANING THE INSTRUMENT

Your instrument requires very little maintenance to achieve years of reliable operation. However, to protect your investment and maintain reading accuracy, a few simple-cleaning procedures should be performed from time to time.

### General Cleaning

Whenever required, the exterior of the instrument may be wiped clean with a cloth dampened in water or mild cleaner.

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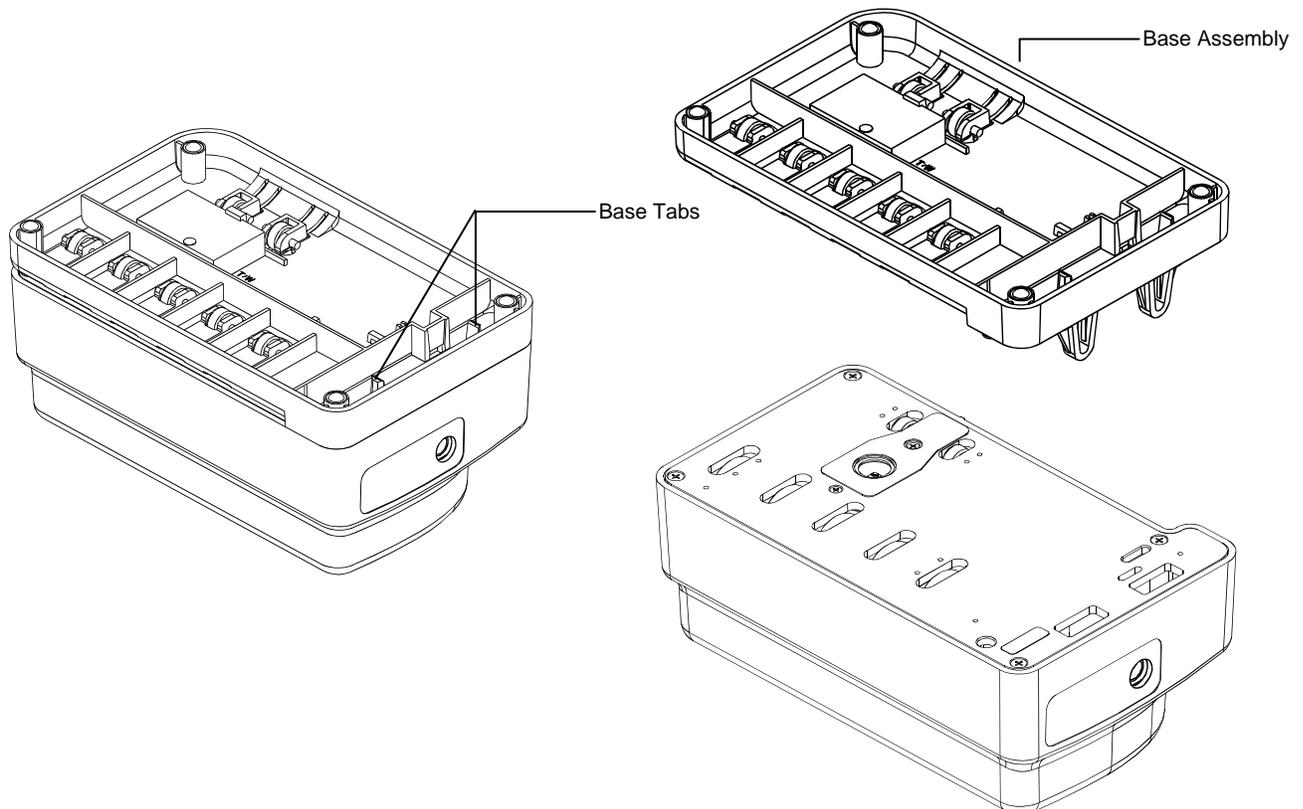
**NOTE: *DO NOT* use any solvents to clean the unit, this will cause damage to the cover.**

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### Cleaning the Strip Reading Mechanism

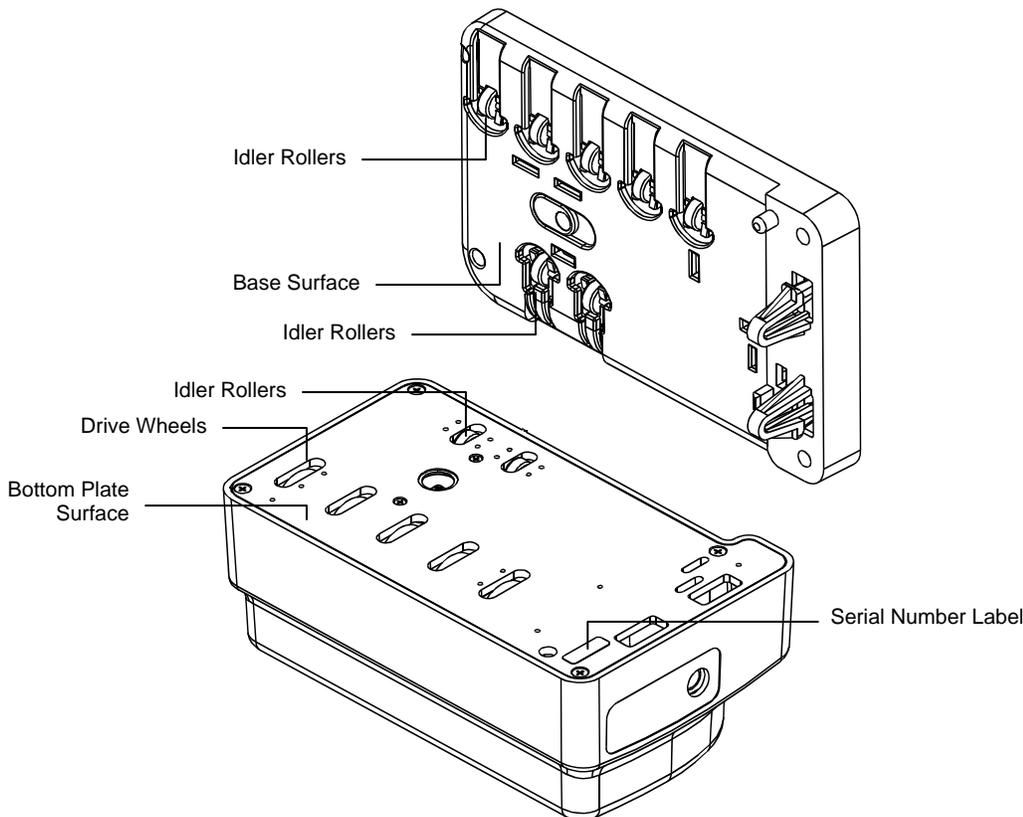
The reading mechanism should be cleaned once a week in normal environments, and more often in dirty or dusty environments.

1. Turn instrument upside-down.
2. Using your index finger and thumb, pinch the two tabs on the bottom of the base assembly towards each other.
3. Holding the tabs, lift base assembly upward.



4. Clean base surface, bottom plate surface, idler rollers, and drive wheels with a lint-free cloth.

**NOTE:** To thoroughly clean the entire drive wheel, press the Instrument button—with instrument plugged in—to rotate wheels. **DO NOT** press button with instrument setting flat on Bottom Plate Surface, drive wheels may move instrument.



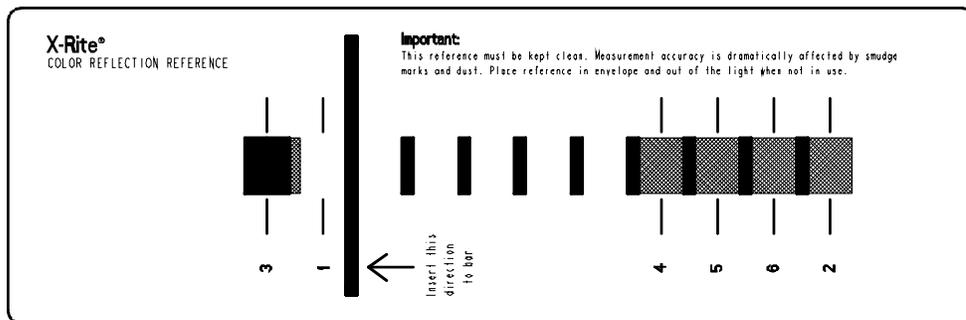
5. Position Base Assembly over Bottom Plate and insert tabs into openings. The Base is positioned properly when it snaps into place. When reassembling a transmission unit (DTP41/T), make sure the optics connector is properly seated before snapping into place.

**CLEANING THE REFERENCE STRIP**

The calibration reference strip can be cleaned with a lint free cloth whenever required. Make sure to return reference strip to its protective case when finished.

If required, a new reference strip can be ordered from X-Rite, Part Number DTP41-100-KIT.

*Always handle reference strip by the edges.*



# 4 Appendices

## TECHNICAL SUPPORT

The AutoScan Spectrophotometer is used with a number of third party software vendors. To get the most specialized technical assistance, you should *first* contact the technical service representative for the specific third-party software that you are using.

Before contacting X-Rite with a potential instrument problem, you should perform a complete instrument reset. This reset will reinitialize the instrument's firmware and reinstate the factory default settings. To perform reset, unplug the instrument's power. Press and hold the instrument button and plug-in power. Release button after LED starts to flash red (approx. 3 seconds).

If you are still having a problem after performing a reset, contact X-Rite Customer Service toll-free by phone at: 1-888-826-3059; or by fax at: 1-888-826-3061.

Our Customer Service Department is fully staffed with qualified technicians to assist you via phone or fax. When placing a call, please have the following information close at hand:

- Your instrument serial number (located on the Bottom Plate, see Cleaning the Strip Reading Mechanism for location) and calibration reference serial number
- Your utility software version number
- Your name and company name
- Your telephone number
- Write down any error messages and what prompted them
- Have the hardware and software running within reach of the telephone

## INSTRUMENT SPECIFICATIONS

<b>Measurement Geometry:</b>	45°/0° per ANSI/ISO 5-4 (IT2.17) (Reflection) 180°/0° per ANSI/ISO 5-2 (IT2.19) (Transmission)
<b>Spot Size at Sample:</b>	1.8mm (.070 in) in scan direction, 2.5mm (.097 in) wide
<b>Light Source:</b>	Gas Pressure @ 2850 °K
<b>Spectral Sensor:</b>	DRS Technology, 24 point engine, 31 point reporting
<b>Spectral Range:</b>	400nm to 700nm
<b>Illuminant Types:</b>	A, C, D50, D55, D65, D75, F2, F7, F11, & F12
<b>Standard Observers:</b>	2° & 10°
<b>Response Type:</b>	Status T, E, I, A, M, & Others
<b>Measurement Time:</b>	Approx. 0.25 seconds per patch (7mm patches)
<b>Reflection Measurement (DTP41 &amp; DTP41/T)</b>	
<b>Inter-instrument Agreement:</b>	0.3 ΔE cmc avg typical (avg, based on 12 BCRA tiles)
<b>Measurement Range:</b>	0.00D to 2.50 D; 0 to 160% R
<b>Repeatability on White:</b>	0.2 ΔE max; ±0.01D max
<b>Linearity:</b>	+/- .01D or 1%
<b>Transmission Measurement (DTP41/T)</b>	
<b>Inter-instrument Agreement:</b>	0.02D or 2% typical, 0 to 3.0 D
<b>Measurement Range:</b>	0.00D to 5.00 D; 0 to 110% T
<b>Repeatability:</b>	±0.01D or 1% 0 to 3.5 D (Visual)
<b>Calibration:</b>	Calibration strip for Reflection
<b>Environmental:</b>	+10 (50 F) to +40 °C (104 F) operating, 30% to 85% RH non condensing
<b>Warm Up time:</b>	None
<b>Power Required:</b>	12v DC, Universal 100-240VAC Adapter; 50/60Hz
<b>Dimensions:</b>	Height: 88mm (3.45 in); Width: 184mm (7.25 in); Depth: 114mm (4.5 in)
<b>Weight:</b>	890g (1.96 lb) , with /T option 1090g (2.40 lb)

These specifications are subject to change without notice.





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